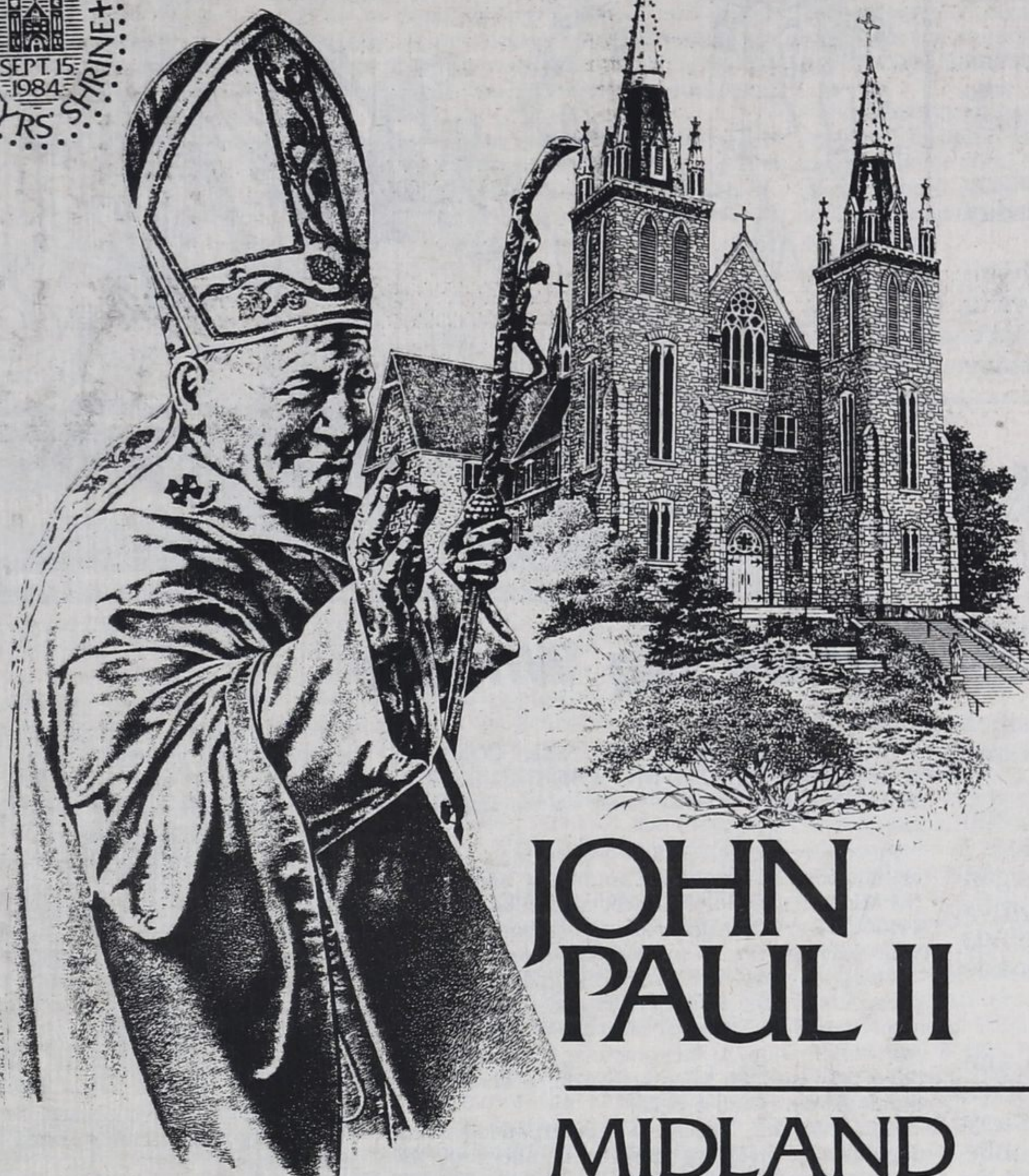


History Fair will feature display



**JOHN
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MARTYRS' SHRINE 1984**

Planning Papal Visit

This is a replica of a card that is to be sold at Martyrs' Shrine this summer to mark Pope John Paul's planned (Saturday, Sept. 15) visit to Huronia. While the Holy Father is in the Heart of Huronia he will visit both

the Martyrs' Shrine and Sainte-Marie among the Hurons. Those working behind the scenes to mark certain the Pontiff has a safe and memorable visit meet again Friday at the Shrine for yet

another monthly planning session under the direction of Fr. James Farrell and George MacDonald, co-ordinator and assistant co-ordinator of the Huronia Visit.

A call for pipers and drummers for new band

by
DON PARKER
We need you. Extend a helping hand.

These cries for help are directed at everybody and anybody who would like to help a worthy cause, but specifically they are aimed at the few people who are more directly able to assist us.

We are talking here about the Penetanguishene Legion Pipes and Drums, that newly-formed group of aspiring musicians. We know there are a number of people in this area who can play the bagpipes and who are not now affiliated with another band. These people are the targets

for our remarks. To them we say, "Please come to one of our Thursday evening practices and learn what we're all about". With your experience you could be a big help to us.

We are trying to build a strong Pipes and Drums Band, one that will perform professionally; one that

will grow and be recognised everywhere; a tribute to our Town which we all can be proud.

That is our aim. So far we are a long way from that goal. Progress is normal...at least what we consider to be normal...with some ten or eleven budding pipers and a like number of neophyte

drummers. Started just four months ago with absolutely no experience and only limited ability we still have our initial enthusiasm.

However, we are well aware that with our present limited leadership, we can develop only so far. Certainly not far enough to accomplish our goal. That is why we need experienced pipers and drummers now.

You are not required to be a member of the Legion, nor do you have to avail yourself of the Legion facilities if you don't wish. All you need do is come out and be part of a friendly, growing group.

Men, women, boys, girls, all are welcome. Minimum age is fourteen years but consideration will be given to size and physical condition.

Further details may be had by calling Don at 549-3445, or check with the Steward at the Legion Hall on Simcoe St., Penetanguishene.

141 new job vacancies are listed with CEC

During the month of April, 141 new job vacancies were listed with the Canada Employment Centre in Midland.

Canada Employment Centre Manager Don McNee said, that this was a decrease over the previous two months and over the corresponding month in 1983.

McNee, in his month end report stated that 99 vacancies were filled by

the Centre, down from the 174 vacancies filled in March.

The report said that there were 50 local people attending training courses under the National Institutional Training Program. These courses, given at Community Colleges are purchased by the CEC to meet local needs.

At the present time, vacancies exist on the

Welder Fitter course at Georgian College in Orillia.

McNee indicated that the Canada Employment Centre for Students had taken on two Student Placement Officers during April with the third to start in early May.

He said that the Student Centre had been quite busy during it's first few months. At the end of April, there were 620 students registered

for summer work.

Canada Employment Centre had 104 unfilled vacancies at the end of the month including 2nd and 4th Class Stationary Engineers, Registered Nurses, Model Maker, Mould Maker, Pipe Layer and TV Repairperson. Persons wanting information on these and other vacancies are invited to visit the CEC to discuss these job opportunities.

Old photographs, venerable buildings, a blackened maple syrup kettle, treasured family documents and beloved family members—they all have stories to tell.

In this Bicentennial year, young people from the Penetanguishene area are being encouraged to listen to and record the lore they learn from such sources. Such documentation could well produce an entry for the third annual Penetanguishene History Fair, co-sponsored by the Historic Naval and Military Military Establishments and Heritage Penetanguishene.

The Fair dates are May 30, 31 and June 1. Featured will be a special Bicentennial display from the Ontario Bicentennial Commission as well as a number of local heritage organizations.

All students of Penetanguishene elementary and secondary schools are eligible and entries may be in French or English. Projects must relate in some way to the history of Penetanguishene and surrounding area - its peoples, structures, way of life and culture.

Entry forms have been forwarded to schools and must be returned (completed) no later than May 25.

Last year, 15 prizes were awarded. In addition to the general awards and Establishments-related awards, this year the Descendants of the Establishments Organization is offering special awards for genealogy projects. The French Centre is recognizing the best contribution in French with a special award. As well, the Penetanguishene Museum is offering an award for a project or essay on lumbering or the Beck Lumber Company.

Michelle Quealey is the Huronia Historical Parks Resource Librarian and co-ordinator of the History Fair. She hopes the Bicentennial edition of the Fair will see broader participation and adds that such historical research can be fun. "I urge students to look at their families, their communities, their culture. There is such a wide range of what history can mean."

Ms. Quealey recalls one entry last year which focussed on the history of the Beck Lumber Mill hockey team, complete with old skates and photos.

Other entrants submitted detailed three-dimensional models of their streets and communities. "One I especially remember," she says, "featured a study of local grave markers with rubbings and information on different kinds of stones."

In its three-year life-span, the Penetanguishene History Fair has provided considerable enrichment to the Penetanguishene community. "We find that people enjoy the Fair on two levels," says Ms. Quealey. "First, it is fascinating to learn about your local heritage, especially with the current emphasis on preserving our heritage. But it's also interesting—and entertaining—to see what youngsters think of their community's culture and history."

Finally, there is the satisfaction of knowing that a project has contributed to the broader body of knowledge about the Penetanguishene community. Already the Penetanguishene Museum has made arrangements to display a selected number of History Fair entries during the summer season.

The past is all around us. Investigating and documenting what the past has to say helps us to understand the present and prepare for the future. This is the reward awaiting every one of the entrants in the third annual Penetanguishene History Fair.

Chance to win

"Simcoe County's Grades 11 to 13 students can compete for a fully-paid vacation in Devon, England—the home of Upper Canada's first lieutenant governor, Col. John Graves Simcoe," said the Hon. Susan Fish, minister of Citizenship and Culture.

Ms. Fish was announcing a 3,000 word essay competition being sponsored by her ministry's agency, the Ontario Heritage Foundation, as a Bicentennial initiative.

Students in Devon, England, are being given a similar opportunity, with the winner receiving a week's holiday in Ontario.

"We feel it is particularly fitting to recognize Simcoe's great contribution to Ontario during 1984—almost 200 years after his arrival," added Ms. Fish. "All the students taking part - on both sides of the water - will gain greater insight into Ontario's, indeed Canada's development and the contributions a single individual can make to the course of history. For the winners that knowledge will be enhanced by having a chance to explore the sites where a significant part of an historic figure's life took place."