

# Ste-Marie prepares to kick off season

A pair of stuffed trumpeter swans, a dramatic new historical interpretation, and a hand-picked group of

high-powered young people - all are new at Sainte-Marie among the Hurons for the 1984 season.

Says co-ordinator of programs Bill Byrick, "People think Sainte-Marie doesn't change, but it changes every

year as knowledge and resources expand. We're greatly excited about the changes and we want to show local

residents what's new. We hope they" get excited too, and share that excitement with visitors to our community."

ence from Sainte-Marie excavations suggests that the swans were a major food source for the French. Later they became an important item in the fur trade.

Within the Church of St. Joseph, visitors will be able to examine ecclesiastical robes made in the 17th century style, a tabernacle and a pair of candlesticks, fashioned in the 17th century image.

The most lively addition to Sainte-Marie's summer is the staff of 21 young men and 18 young women who will work as guides and site interpreters. Nineteen of the young people are from the Midland area.

They were chosen from 450 applications which were winnowed down to 220 personal interviews. Acting Education Officer Chris Bagley says he looked for intelligence, enthusiasm, personality, diligence and interest in the site. The training program began May 7 with the aim of giving site visitors the best experience possible.

Many of the summer staff speak French as well as English. A few speak German, Spanish and Italian.

The season ahead is a historic one because of the visit of Pope John Paul II. But the prime

aim of everyone at Sainte-Marie is to make this the best summer ever for the visiting public.

The season will be enriched with a number of special events. A greatly expanded Shonnecti (July 14, 15) includes a rendezvous of descendants of French draftsman and laymen who once lived at Sainte-Marie as well as a cross-country walk and an arts and crafts display and sale.

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Reflections 1648 (Aug. 6 - 10) brings the 20th century into the seventeenth as interpretive staff assume the personalities of actual people who once lived and worked at Sainte-Marie.

All summer, the Cafe, a new enterprise operated by the Friends of Sainte-Marie will offer light refreshments to visitors.

Sainte-Marie among the Hurons is a careful reconstruction of Huronia's fascinating past; Sainte-Marie also continually offers new perspectives and energies.

Local residents are invited to experience the old and the new at Sainte-Marie free of charge on opening day, Saturday, May 19. Come and share the excitement.

## RC Board meeting briefs

Special Education Consultant Henry Wozniak presented the accumulation of a year's study on giftedness at the May 9, meeting of the Simcoe County Roman Catholic Separate School Board.

Development of the plan is part of the development of the Board's Special Education plan but represents the work of a combination of the Programme and Student Services areas of the Board.

Initial approaches to identification of gifted students are outlined. The report suggests patterns of delivery of programming but leaves to a later date actual placement and programme decisions when clusters of children can be determined. The

provisions of in-service understandings for all teachers is addressed. The concept of key teacher co-ordinating resources in each school is mentioned. An itinerant resource teacher of gifted will be considered prior to the second year of plan development.

### ACCOMMODATION

Simcoe County Roman Catholic Separate School Board again addressed one of its major problems at the May 9, meeting of the board.

A need for 13 classrooms has been identified for September, 1984 needs.

To meet that need the Board will move up to four portable classrooms from its St. James School in Colgan to other locations.

In an effort to test the entrepreneurial market, the board will advertise for rental accommodation for up to six classrooms of students in the South Barrie - North Innisfil area.

That is a possible approach to relieving St. John Vianney School which currently has four portables and would require three or four more for September.

Five portable classrooms will be purchased to meet needs in a variety of locations due to growth.

The normal growth rate of the Board is two percent annually but that has been considerably accelerated for 1984 due to decision to introduce Junior Kindergarten programming across the

County.

Progress on the building front for the Board was related in two areas:

### (1) Ecole Saint Louis in Penetanguishene

Construction is under way on this new school located on Dufferin Street. Weber's construction is reporting good progress with footing and foundation work completed and compaction preparatory to pouring of floor slab underway.

### (2) St. Joseph's, Barrie

Detailed plans for the new school to be located on Cundles Road East are nearing completion under direction of Architect W. H. Nesbitt. Tenders for the project will be called as soon as Ministry of Education approval of the detailed plans is received.

## Hobart

## news and views

by

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Friends and neighbours were sorry to learn Mr. Boyd Brown re-entered Soldiers' Memorial Hospital a few days ago when his condition worsened. He had returned home from the hospital a short time ago. It is hoped he will be better soon.

Alison Miller, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Miller (nee Brenda Ball) has been under the care of a Dermatologist for a skin problem and is showing improvement, friends are glad to learn. What a welcome mat Mother

Nature extends to new arrivals sometimes!

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon A. Smith and other Cub and Beaver Leaders of the Coldeater and District motored to Whitby to attend the weekend Conference of the Organizations' Leaders. The Smith boys weekended with their Aunt in Midland.

Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Butt have been enjoying work days at their home on the Corner and other property getting the grounds tidied up following Winter's onslaught.

Members, adherents and friends of Hobart

Memorial Church are cordially invited to attend the Memorial Service to be held in the Church on May 20, 1984 at 2:30 p.m. Rev. Alan Barnes, of Orillia, will be in charge of the Service and will deliver the message. The well-known Wright Singers, of Newmarket will provide special music for the occasion. Do come and enjoy the Service and renew friendships which have lasted over the years.

A preview of the Ladies' Aid of Knox Presbyterian Church, of Moonstone, shows the Ladies have been indeed

very busy. They have completed 3 quilts, are making baby clothes, cushions, knotted articles, aprons, doll clothes etc. which will all be for sale at their Bake, Lawn and Refreshment Sale to take place on the Church grounds on June 16, 1984, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Anyone wishing to contribute items towards the event may leave them at the Church that a.m. prior to the Sale. All contributions will be gratefully received.

Get well wishes are extended to all those who have been or are ill.

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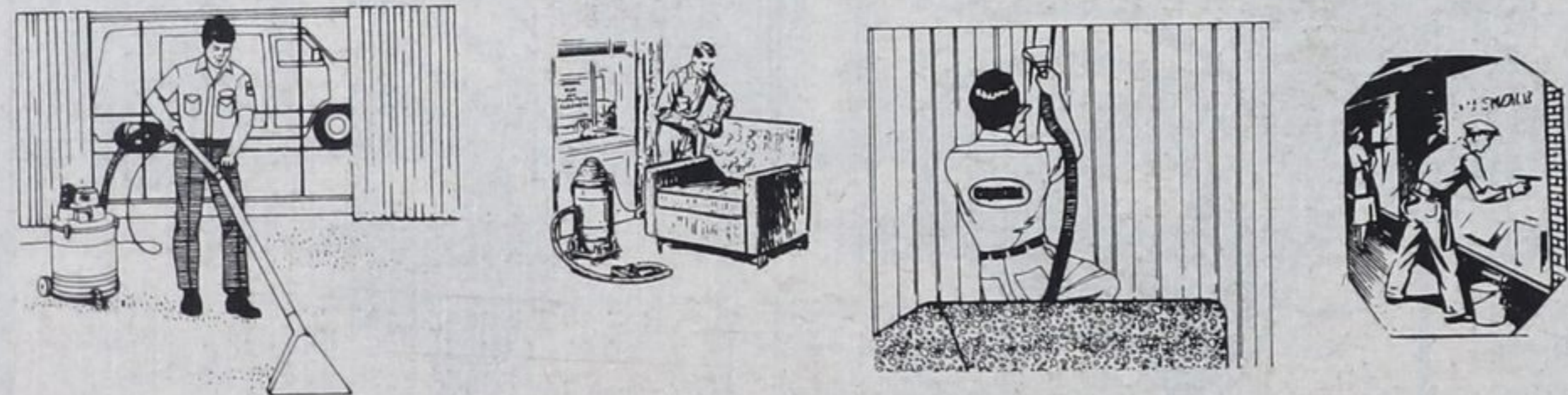
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