

Catholics celebrate 60 years

Sixty years of Catholic education were celebrated in a special mass Sunday morning at St. Margaret's Church in Midland.

And the celebration was also a cause for local Catholics to show their appreciation for outgoing St. Theresa's High School principal, Sister Marlene Kelly. She is leaving for a year's sabbatical to study in the United States.

Sister Marlene was given a 14 karat gold cross in appreciation of her 18 years as principal at St. T's. "This wasn't intended to be a Grey Sisters celebration," Sister Marlene said, referring to the convent to which she belongs. "But I guess I threw a really good party."

Most of the event was organized by the high school principal. The gift to her was supposed to have been kept a surprise, though.

"I've had great pleasure in the community," she said. "Hopefully I'll be back."

Simcoe County Roman Catholic Separate School Board trustee Mary Jo Quilty spoke to the crowd in the newly-rebuilt church

on Hugel Avenue. She said it took faith and generosity to build an educational system in the Catholic tradition here. Faith in Catholic education, faith in the people of Midland and faith in the Grey Sisters convent were all necessary to have come this far, she said.

And generosity, "that the Grey Sisters were willing to be pioneers in taking on the tasks of education," was also needed. The convent took on the largest part of the educational task over the past 60 years.

Quilty said they have "kept the flame of Catholic secondary education alive" when there was no government funding available. In 1984, in a controversial move, the provincial Conservative government extended full funding to Catholic secondary schools.

A number of relatives of the founders of the local Catholic educational system were presented with plaques. The school board pledged a stained glass window for St. Margaret's Church in recognition of the event.



Celebrating service

St. Theresa's High School principal Sister Marlene Kelly (left) is congratulated by Miriam Belanger of the Midland Catholic Women's League during a special Sunday morning mass at St. Margaret's Church in Midland. Seconds before, the outgoing principal was presented with a 14 karat gold cross.

Volunteers honored

The annual St. Andrew's Centennial Manor volunteer appreciation banquet was held May 31 in the dining room of the manor.

Volunteers and guests were welcomed by Walter Ens, administrator. The guest speaker was Joanne Miller of the Simcoe County Health Unit. She spoke about AIDS, and brought along a video.

Awards were presented to the volunteers by Phoebe Handerek, including certificates thanking everyone for their services. Total hours contributed by all volunteers from April 1, 1987 to May 31, 1988 was 1,315.

Ten-year pins and

trophies were awarded to Esther Addison, Betty Grieve and Tom Hawkins.

Five-year pins were awarded to Erna Chromey and Mary Dubblestine.

Alex Moore was the recipient of the trophy for most hours. He put in a whopping 191.5 in 1987-88.

All this was followed by a singalong led by Ens and accompanied by his wife on the piano. The evening concluded with remarks by the president of St. Andrew's volunteers, Betty Grieves.

Camping the topic of 4-H

by Patsy Marchant

On June 1 the Ebenezer II Nature Nuts met for meeting number five.

Roll call was announced and minutes read by Tammy Crawford. Members discussed what to take on a camping trip and how to take care of such things as sleeping bags, tents and pots and pans.

The Nature Nuts put the planning section of the meeting into action by planning a club barbecue at member Linda Marchant's place. The books and special projects are due to leaders at that time.

Meeting number six, titled Putting It All Together, will be included in the achievement program on June 20.

Letters

Paper's support great

Dear Editor:

The Midland and District Unit of the Canadian Cancer Society has finished another successful campaign, successful in the amount of funds raised to date and in the wonderful co-operation of the many people involved. Not least among those involved are the editor and staff of

your newspaper.

The organizers of the local campaign would like to thank you most sincerely for your help and co-operation in helping us reach our 1988 goal. We are not finished working on raising funds yet, however. On August 29 the Midland Lions Club will be hosting its third annual

golf tournament at Brooklea Golf and Country Club, so you can see, the fight to conquer cancer still goes on.

Again, many thanks for your continued support.

Sincerely,
Cathie Malcolm
Publicity Chairman
Midland and District
Cancer Society.

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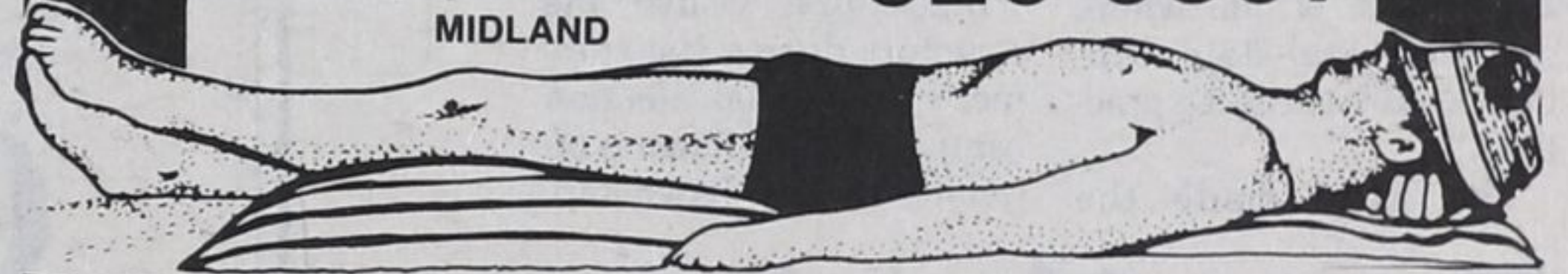
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