

May eventually rival Stratford

\$1 million theatre fundraiser delayed

"Government red tape" is the reason a campaign to raise \$1 million to build a building for Huronia Players won't happen in 1988.

Huronia Players President Ray Holt says the campaign won't begin until after the Players are incorporated as a charitable group.

Application was made

for incorporation to the provincial Ministry of Corporate and Consumer Affairs last November. But an application takes between nine months to 12 months to be processed, Holt said he has been told. Last January he was thinking of an autumn campaign.

Once the 27-year-old group is incorporated, application will be made to

Ottawa for a charitable donation licence.

Holt, who teaches drama and geography at Midland Secondary School, offered without prompting a description of himself as a dreamer. He sees the potential for Midland to become a theatre centre on a par with Stratford and Niagara-on-the-Lake.

The immediate goal is a "decent facility for this area." A drive to raise money for the Players is not competition for the North Simcoe Arts Council's mandate, he indicated.

The Arts Council represents every artist and craftsperson in North Simcoe, Holt said. A building for the Players would compliment the work of the NSAC, he said. "I guess you could say that we are taking the load off their back in a way."

Why \$1 million? "I am personally tired of penny ante schemes. I want to go at it full shot. I am not interested in trying to raise money over 20 years through bingo."

While the fundraising committee is shaking the bushes for donations, a second committee will be searching for suitable land. The fundraising committee

will be divided into sub-committees each responsible for a segment of the community.

The Huronia Players has a loyal base of 200 season subscribers. The community theatre group has been performing dramas, comedies and musicals since 1961, usually three plays a season. The stage of Midland Secondary School is the group's theatre. Holt has been a Player for 20 years.

Holt envisions a building in the area with seating for 300.

With its own building at its disposal, the Players' season likely would stretch to six plays. The building would be available as a "social and cultural hub for the area, attracting such activities as small conventions, dance school recitals, union meetings, film societies, concerts, children's theatre and choir groups to name a few," Holt said in a letter to the editor last January.

Holt sees Midland and Penetanguishene next door to each other as an opportunity to offer a theatrical experience unique in Canada: bilingual theatre.

Midland is no less ac-

cessible than Niagara-on-the-Lake, and more so than Stratford, from Toronto, he

said. And the financial benefits to the community of a successful theatre are considerable, he said. "I don't see why we can't share in it."

Critic's Corner

Cocktail, now playing at the Pen, is a visually appealing and interesting film.

Bryan Flanagan (deftly played by Tom Cruise) is a second-generation Irishman from Queens who has just come home from his stint in the army and is looking for a job.

After fruitlessly pounding the pavement, our hero lands on the doorstep of a posh Manhattan bar. A relationship develops between bartender Doug Coughlin and Flanagan to the betterment and subsequent detriment of both.

Cruise turns in his jet fighter for a bottle of Jim Beam and shines as a youth looking for the fast buck but growing up instead. His father-son relationship with Coughlin (Bryan Brown from FX fame) is a growing experience for both.

Elisabeth Shue (who was excellent in Adventures in Babysitting) plays the romantic interest.

From the acrobatic bar scenes to the beautiful Jamaican scenery the film is appealing. The story may bog down in parts, but the ending is worth the wait. Rating: ***

Letters

Popular dunking event a success

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the Big Sisters Association of Huronia we would like to express our sincere appreciation to everyone who participated and assisted in our dunking tank event held during the annual Midland Sidewalk Sale, July 14, 15 and 16.

The money raised by your participation allows us to provide a higher quality program for the

girls. It permits "extras" which help bond the relationship so necessary for the emotional and mental growth of each Little Sister. The funds also give support to the Big Sisters who voluntarily devote their time to the program by providing workshops and other learning experiences to make the Big Sisters' role more effective.

We are pleased that a fun

experience was enjoyed by all involved, but more importantly for the broader significance of the event, which assists us in helping to provide a better program for the girls of Midland and Penetanguishene.

Sincerely
Big Sisters Association of Huronia
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Vice-President

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I would like to take this opportunity, (albeit tardy) to thank you and your newspaper — not forgetting of course Murray Moore whose tenacious reporting, coupled with your unbiased press coverage of the Midland councils' proceedings and debate of the taxi licence issue, was most informative and appreciated.

In publishing both sides of the debate, you no doubt assisted the Midland council in making an objective and correct decision which, I am certain, helped to eliminate a potential monopoly and possibly a great disservice to the people of the Town of Midland in the matter of the taxi

licence issue.

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THE NORTH SIMCOE TRANSFER STATION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF TIPPING FEES

The North Simcoe Transfer Station Committee intends to implement tipping fees at the Transfer Station this fall. The implementation will be done in two stages. Beginning Sept. 1, 1988 all private vehicles will be charged tipping fees for waste disposal as follows:

RECYCLABLE MATERIAL (Cans, glass bottles, newspaper, cardboard)	No charge
BULKY RECYCLABLE MATERIAL	
Appliances	each \$ 2.00
Leaves, grass, branches, scrap metal	car \$ 4.00
	1/2 ton \$ 6.00
	truck \$20.00

INDIVIDUAL CAR

Recyclable material sorted out (1 load per day) (ie. contains no cans, bottles, newspapers, cardboard)	No charge
Mixed Waste (including recyclable material)	\$ 8.00

INDIVIDUAL TRAILER OR 1/2 TON

Recyclable material sorted out	\$ 6.00
Mixed waste (including recyclable material)	\$12.00

Beginning Oct. 1, 1988 all Haulers bringing waste to the Transfer Station will be charged tipping fees as below. Haulers bringing waste to the site will be responsible for the charges levied.

RESIDENTIAL WASTE	
Recyclable material sorted out (ie. contains no cans, bottles, newspaper, cardboard, scrap metal, etc.)	\$ 77.00 tonne
Mixed waste (including recyclable material)	\$100.00 tonne
INDUSTRIAL/COMMERCIAL WASTE	
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Mixed waste (including recyclable material)	\$100.00 tonne
DEBRIS	
Waste from construction sites (fire waste, etc.)	\$100.00 tonne

The above fee structure is intended to encourage public and business participation in our recycling program in an effort to reduce waste management costs throughout North Simcoe.