

# Children jump for Heart

For the second consecutive year, pupils at Our Lady of Lourdes School are raising funds for heart and stroke research.

The month-long project reached its climax last Thursday when 100 youngsters from grades 4-8 skipped and jumped more than two hours in the school's new gymnasium. For the next eight days the same students will be taking pledge forms around the area raising money for the Ontario Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Last year the school raised \$1,900 for medical research. Local spokesman Tudor Perry came to the school to thank all involved and

urge them on, for the sake of their own cardiovascular systems.

Teacher Debbie Kennedy, and organizers of the event, says she was involved in a similar project at her last school, in the northern community of White River, but "it was never so successful or as big."

Raising money through pledges is only part of the project.

"The money for research is very important," Kennedy explained, but more important are the benefits of raising awareness, among the youngsters and in the community of the tonic effects of regular exercising of the cardiovascular

system.

Kennedy, John Patsny, Margaret Ann Jacobs and Pat Orr were the teachers

directly involved in the organization.

McDonalds of Midland supplied an orange drink.

## What a wedding

### Bond between Harry and Irene is quite unique

The marriage of Henry Hogg, 93, and Irene Beckett, 86, was "a

celebration of a unique bond," Father Vid Vlasic said as he married the couple last Friday.

The lounge of the Villa Retirement Lodge in Midland was crowded during the ceremony with 90 of 'Harry' and Irene's relatives and friends, and their fellow residents of the lodge.

The couple met three years ago in Scarborough. Harry followed Irene to Midland. Both were marrying for the third time.

Harry Adams, warden of Simcoe County, was among the witnesses. He congratulated the new couple.



## Heartbeat

Our Lady of Lourdes pupil Trista Belanger was one of about 100 youngsters taking part in the Heart and Stroke month "Skipathon" in Elmvalle last Thursday. Last year the school raised more than \$1,900 for research into the disease which is Canada's No. 1 killer. "We're not trying to change lifestyles," said Tudor Parry of the Heart and Stroke Association, "but trying to develop good lifestyles."

## Lumber burned in Tiny

More than one million feet of lumber, damaged last summer in the Midland Buildall yard fire, was burned last week in Tiny Township.

Morden Construction employees kept watch through the night last Wednesday while the lumber burned.

The fire was confined to an abandoned gravel pit west of Johnston's Fruit Market on Highway 93.

Morden Construction was hired by Midland Buildall to haul away the lumber. Morden had the permission of the Ministry of the Environ-

ment to burn the wood, a Morden employee said last Thursday.

Tiny Township firefighters went to the gravel pit but took no action there, Tiny Township Fire Chief Guy

Maurice said.

Nothing in the vicinity of the pit was in danger of catching fire, he said. A fire permit is not needed to start a fire in the township in the winter, he said.

## Museum furnace is drinking oil

Simcoe County council has decided to "bite the bullet" to budget funds to complete a county museum upgrade.

Taxpayers will have to absorb the cost with a 6.1 per cent mill rate increase, instead of 3.5 per cent for 1989.

A report from the county clerk says the project has been plagued with cost overruns, which left it short by \$255,220.

It noted the federal and provincial governments were not willing to help cover the shortfall.

The clerk attributed deficit to "increasing costs of material and labor, shortage of workers and material, problems with sub-

trades," and inflation.

Councillor Ken Knox commented, "It's sort of a disaster over there. It's been going on for four years."

Councillor Eldon Bell, chairman of the Recreation and Cultural Services Committee, told council last week the museum furnaces are drinking up 22 gallons of oil per hour. He said the building is complete but the heating system remains to be done.

He pointed out the costs will escalate if council waits longer to finish the project.

He assured them there'll be "a close watch on the plumbing" this time.

## Labor hopes more will mourn dead

The Midland and District Labour Council is aiming to make labor's fourth annual Day of Mourning more widely observed.

The local labor leaders hope that on April 28, private sector and public sector employees will be allowed to stop work for one minute at 11 a.m. The labor council asks that flags be lowered to half staff.

Last year the Town of Penetanguishene observed the 60 second stoppage. The labor council's hope is that the Town of Midland will participate this year.

The Day of Mourning is a reminder of the men and women who have been killed or injured while working, and who have contracted industrial diseases because of their jobs.

Workers die at a rate of one a day in Ontario, the labor council says.

## Obituary

### A long-time resident

Lily Ann Edna Marie Williams of 303 Midland Avenue, Midland, died at age 86 on Feb. 20, 1989.

Her illness was lengthy. She died in Huronia District Hospital.

The daughter of Thomas William

Cosgrove and Amelia H. Belrose was born and attended school in

Penetanguishene.

She married the late Earl George Williams in Midland on March 17, 1931.

Two sons, three daughters, and a sister, survive.

At her request, there was no funeral service. Her body was cremated.

## St. Theresa's News

By Adele King and Paul Buttineau

### Is new school needed?

It has been a slow week here at St. Theresa's, so Adele and I decided to ask the opinion of others.

Question: Why do you think we need a new school?

Melanie Turner, Grade 11 - The halls are too crowded, there are lockers on every available

wall.

Renee Szczurek, Grade 11 - There are too many portables and the school is becoming too over crowded.

Rob Marchand, Grade 11 - Because the cafeteria is over populated.

Shane Asselin, Grade 11 - Because we have more classrooms out-

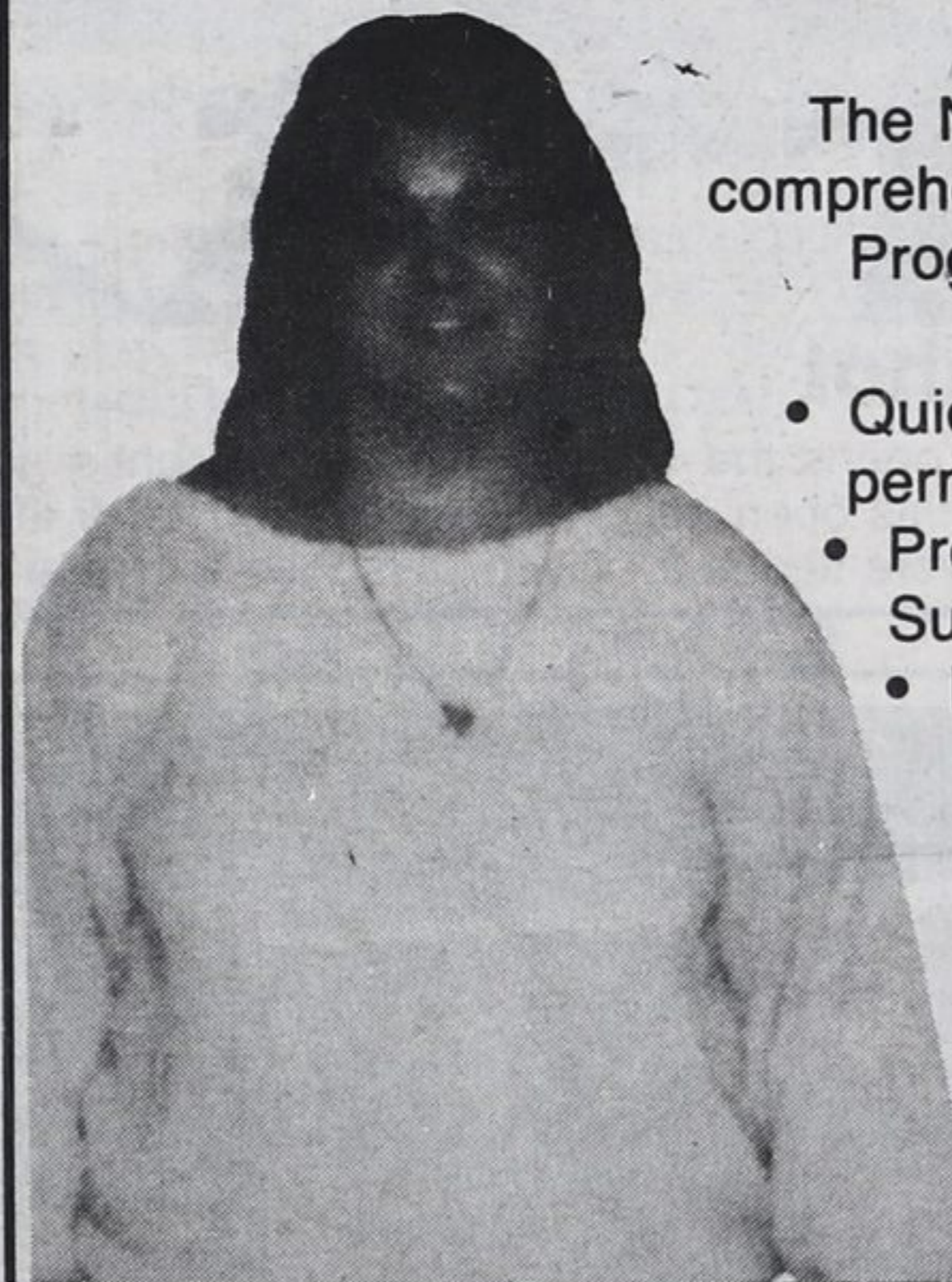
doors than in the school.

Rob Desroches, Grade 12 - The facilities here don't accommodate the student body.

Brent Hamelin, teacher - Because the labs are inadequate; poor ventilation, no storage for chemical and a lack of alternate exits in case of emergencies.

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