

School mourns death

Students and faculty at H.J. Cody School bid a sad farewell to Margaret Lee Rendall, 47, in a funeral service held Wednesday at Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Rendall, a respected educator and co-worker at Cody School for the past eight years, died suddenly in her Burnt Lake district home Feb. 23.

As a staff member at Cody School, Mrs. Rendall taught Grades 1-3 in physical education programs and Grades 4 and 5 in language arts. She was teaching Grade 3 at the time of her death.

Active in the area of school sports, Mrs. Rendall organized Cody School's field of young athletes in

the annual track and field meet between C.P. Blakely Elementary School and H.J. Cody School.

Cody School principal Bob Swabey said a memorial fund has been established at the school to purchase a major piece of sports equipment. Donations to the Rendall Memorial Fund can be made payable to H.J. Cody School.

Mrs. Rendall was born in Red Deer in 1937 and attended Burnt Lake School, Nazarene College and Lindsey Thurber Composite High School. She graduated with a bachelor of education from the University of Alberta in 1968. Mrs. Rendall taught in Delburne, Rocky Mountain House, Calgary and Kelowna before coming to

H.J. Cody School.

She was known locally as a knowledgeable horseman and trainer and participated for many years in area horse shows.

Mrs. Rendall is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Axel Johanson of Burnt Lake; her sisters and brothers-in-law, Harriet and Nico Vander Giessen of Grande Prairie and Klara and Bert Bystrom of Centerville; brother and sister-in-law, David and Jamie Johanson of Anchorage, Alaska; nieces and nephews, Todd, Sandy and Pauli Bystrom, Garret, Nico and Michael Vander Giesen. James Axel Johnson; and very dear friend, Gerald Bergeron.

Burial in Burnt Lake Cemetery followed the funeral service.