



GRADE EIGHT M. Z. BENNETT SCHOOL



GRADE EIGHT, ROBERT LITTLE SCHOOL

Centennial grade eight banquet honors graduating students

Eighty-six grade eight students were part of a glittering centennial banquet in the Robert Little school auditorium last Wednesday night.

From both the Robert Little and M. Z. Bennett school, the students accepted awards, gave gifts and led a fond farewell to teachers who shepherded them through their years of public school. Then they heard an after dinner address by assistant high school principal J. R. Bray on the transition to high school and the difference it could make in individual lives.

There was also a skit which lampooned teaching methods of 100 years ago when the venerable Robert Little tried to pound some knowledge into the village dullards. The evening concluded with dancing to the latest rock music while participating parents looked fondly at sons garbed in their best suits and daughters wearing their best dresses for the occasion.

Prepared and served by mothers of the grade eight students convened by Mrs. Allen Ellerby dinner was preceded by a toast to the Queen led by David Rochester, a poised and capable master of ceremonies. Robert Ellerby said grace.

Dinner was followed by a sing song with music supervi-

sor Glen Banks at the piano and Robert Little vice-principal Doug Copeland urging the students to sing. Headline song was the catchy Canada written by Bobby Gimly which drew two encores.

Portraying the school principal, Sam Hubble had the pointed pointer taste of con-tolling a room full of Huck Finn characters and sweet Beckys. Taking part besides Sam were Carol Patterson, Diane Frank and Sheila Callet in old fashioned dresses, Trevor Swan, Randy Coker and Tim Coles, the raggedy ruffians of the Robert Little classroom of a century ago.

The traditional parting gifts to the schools were presented by M. Z. Bennett's Carolyn Thompson and Robert Little's Kenny Marshall on behalf of the graduates.

School board chairman O. Chapman accepted the gifts on behalf of the schools and presented the Imperial Oil trophy for inter-school field day to the M. Z. Bennett School Lynne Dunn accepted. The M. Z. Bennett school also won the inter-school sports trophy and Craig Weldon accepted the trophy from Mr. Chapman.

Toast to the schools was proposed by Dave Manes.

Academic awards for the highest standing in their re-

spective schools went to Carolyn Thompson of the M. Z. Bennett school and Carol Patterson of Robert Little. Mrs. J. H. Foley presented the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary trophies to the two graduates.

Carol is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Patterson. Carolyn's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Ray Thompson.

I.O.D.E. awards for the students showing the most progress during the year went to David Bittorf of the Robert Little school and Mark Wolfe of M. Z. Bennett. Mrs. E. Lid-kea, regent of the Duke of Devonshire chapter of the I.O.D.E., made the presentations and congratulated both boys on the achievement.

Appreciation to the grade eight mothers was given by Leona Synnott and replied to by convener Mrs. Allan Ellerby on behalf of the ladies who waited on tables and cooked the appetizing roast turkey dinner.

Guest speaker J. R. Bray was introduced by Robert Krul with a dash of sunshine and thanked by Mark Neilsen.

Head table guests Carolyn Thompson O. Chapman, Dave Manes, Bob Krul, J. R. Bray, R. Ellerby, Mrs. Y. Foley, M. Wolfe, Mrs. E. Lidkea, Carol Patterson and David Bittorf were introduced by David Rochester.

Those graduating from the M. Z. Bennett school were: Anne Bagger, David Braida, Margaret Churchill, Katharine Cook, Lynne Dunn, Robert Ellerby, John Emerson, Mich-

ael Field, Rodney Gibbins, Elizabeth Ginger, Robert Hatch, Judith Howson, Sam Hubble, Dolores Jordan, John Last, Roy Mainprize, Donna McCabe, Danny McLennan, Andrew Miller, Mark Nielsen, Robert Parsons, David Rochester, Teddy Saitz, Maria Snock, Linda Soper, Joseph Tar, Carolyn Thompson, Henry Van Stralen, Craig Weldon, Margaret Wheeler, Gordon Williams, Ellen Wisenz, Mark Wolfe.

Graduates to the number of 53 are in the following list of students from the Robert Little school:

Betty Bilocco, David Bittorf, Judy Cameron, Michelle Coates, Randy Coker, Timothy Coles, Sheila Collett, Janice Drew, Catharine Dunn, Johanne Dunn, Madena Ellis, Doris Fitzner, Diane Foster, Bruce Fowler, Dianne Frank, Nancy Frost, Michael Gervais, Richard Gordon, Sharron Gordon, Douglas Hewitt, David Hodgson, Vicki Holmes, John Hopkins, Norma Irvine, John Krul, Mary Jane Lambert, Mary Jane Lindsay, Richard Livermore, David Manes, Robert Manning, Susan Marchment, Kenneth Marshall, Marnee Masales, Nancy McCutcheon, Susan McGilloway, Carolee McGuin, Gordon Morris, Beverly Norton, Allan O'Connor, Margaret Papillon, Carol Patterson, David Pink, John Roszell, Trevor Swan, Leona Synnott, Bradley Timbers, Elizabeth Toebes, John Vander Koov, Jane Watson, Larry White, Carol Widawski, Jeanette Yateman.

Vice principal J. Bray speaks to grade eights

Acton high school vice-principal told the 86 grade eight students from both Acton public schools that changes in bridging the gap between elementary and high school were secondary to the change in themselves.

Mr. Bray was speaking at the annual banquet in the Robert Little auditorium Wednesday night.

He explained the significance of the Latin verb from which the word "adolescent" comes as to kindle or burn and drew a picture for graduates of what they'd be like in high school.

He said after they had reached grade nine the students will hardly associate with those from grade eight. The pattern would repeat itself as they went higher in school.

"There's nothing wrong with this," said Mr. Bray, "it's all part of growing up."

"Most students when they finish grade eight don't think they know everything but figure they know everything worth knowing."

Using Socrates and William Davies as guides he told the students to like the arts and nature, look for responsibility and have a well educated mind, not dwelling on one topic, but many. He cited the advantage of an organized schedule to profit studies and urged stu-

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TWO GIRLS, Carolyn Thompson, left, and Carol Patterson were top grade eight students at the M. Z. Bennett and Robert Little schools respectively and received awards from the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary at Wednesday's grade eight banquet. Stud-

ents making the most progress through the year were Mark Wolfe, left, and David Bittorf. They received awards from the I.O.D.E. Principals Elmer Smith and Garnet McKenzie flank their top students. (Staff Photo)

Promotion lists from high school

High school promotion lists were released last week at Acton District High School.

Promoted to Grade 10 — 5 Year Program — Arts and Science.

Indicates honors.

Seth Armstrong, Karen Ashley, Susan Bagger, Dianne Bonnette, Deborah Bould, David Brostad, Barbara Browne, Chris Brunelle, Susan Clendinning, Carolyn Coles, Jeanette Collins, Jessie-Ann Davidson, Peggy Day, Mary DeBarolo, Raymond Denny, Dianne Fisher, Sharon Froehlich, Bonnie Garvin, Fiona Gidman, Kenneth Gray, Susan Hachey, Larry Holmes, Jack Irwin, Sherrice Johnston, Bonnie Jones.

Catherine Lasby, Nancy Lee, Jackie Lemon, Sherry Lott, Olive Marshall, Ona Marshall, Carol Masales, Carole McCutcheon, Beverley Moore, Linda Nyby, Hugh O'Rourke, Paul Paulson, Linda Perry, Joseph Petric, Stephen Porly, Lucienne Pratt, Brian Sampson, Shirley Sayers, Bill Severinski, Debbie Slingerland, Julie

Smith, Nancy Snow, Bill Spehar, Nigel Spicer, Lynne Stewart, Alan Thompson, Margaret VanArragon, Scott Watson, Sandra Waiters.

Promoted to Grade 10 — 4 Year Program — Arts and Science.

Laurie Chisholm, John Courtney, Wayne DeForest, William Douglas, David Dunbar, Donald Dunbar, Bryan Dunn, Paul Dupuis, Bill Field David Ford, Steve Garrett, Joan Gibbins, John Grace, John Hartlin, Susan Height, Paulette Hurley, Elaine Johnson, Bente Larsen, Robert Main, Michael Marchment, Peter Marzo, Lawrence McAfee, Jim McKewon, Brian McLennan, Lyndy Lou Moon, Willie Muchbacher, Karen O'Rourke, Garry Price, Anne-Marie Quinn, Robert Smith, David Stone, Rae Swackhamer, Karen Townsley, Len Vary, Grace Venema, Pat Wheeler.

Promoted to Grade 10 — 4 Year Program — Business and Commerce.

Georgina Angell, Judy Bould, Brenda Denny, Charlie Doornbos, Gay Ellis, Marie Holmes, Pat Holmes, Kathleen O'

Rourke, Lanie Oudesluis, Janice Papillon, Linda Plouffe, Brenda Scutt, Kathryn Tomlinson, Evelyn Van den Brink, Trina Van de Polder.

Promoted to Grade 11 — 5 Year Program — Arts and Science.

Fred Anthony, Brian Binnie, Bev Brunelle, Earl Butler, Marianne Coles, Valerie Coles, Judy Connell, Michael Cooper, Ted Curtis, Terry Curtis, Linda Damm, Dugald Dick, Brian Fisher, Barbara Frost, Mary Fuchs, Sylvia Hanousek, Gary Heisler, Jean Hiscock, Olga Hnatiw, Mark Hurst, Joseph Jancar, Thelma Kirkwood, Robert Lasby, Patricia Last.

Linda Lawson, Cheryl Lee, Jackie Lee, Robert Lindsay, Kathryn Lynch, Michael Marcoux, Marsha McKenzie, Nancy Morris, Roberta Nesset, Pat Nicolak, Paul Nyby, Jacqueline Palmer, Benita Pries, Randy Ridley, Gail Ross, Lorraine Servos, Jim Slaven, Marie Timbers, Margaret Turnbull, Annie Vuk, Sharon White, Debra Winter.

Promoted to Grade 11 — 4 Year Program — Arts and Science.

Robert Andrews, Zenith Armstrong, Archie Blinzie, Bill Black, Robert Blyth, Heather Ann Dumarsh, Fred Flitsnik, Linda Gordon, June Hiscock, Edgar Karn, Mark Kowall, Peter Masales, Rod McEachern, William Nicolak, William Pen-dleton, Gail Reed, Jim Reid, Irene Severinski, Lloyd Smallwood, Donna Taylor, Len Van de Polder, Roberts Walker.

Promoted to Grade 11 — 4 Year Program — Business and Commerce.

Hans Anderson, Jennifer Bishop, Paul Cooper, Jacoba Doornbos, Judy Dwyer, Dorothy Field, Nancy Gordon, Johanna Jensen, Janice Jordan, Wendy Masters, Jackie McDonald, Terry McMullen, Colleen Perkins, Linda Pience, Pam Puncheon, Brenda Ramsay, Clive Stewart, Robert Turkosz, Anne Watson, Yvonne Yate-man.

Promoted to Grade 12 — 5 Year Program — Arts and Science.

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