



GEORGE BROWN College student Vivica Regis models a white dotted cotton halter and jumpsuit with organza ruffle. The attractive outfit was one of many shown at a preview fashion showing by community college students of "Student Design '73" held at Sheridan College last Wednesday night. (D. Gibbons photo)

Spain or bust

Dolline Des Hales writes again this week about the high school students' trip to Spain in the winter break.

Hello, again! All ready for another exciting memory from our "Spanish dream"? Thus far, we've had our first day in Spain, and from what we've seen (excluding bullfights), things look pretty exciting.

Today, March 20, was to be our first excursion — to the famed city of Toledo.

As usual, we were awakened, groggy-eyed, by our group leaders at approximately 7.30. This gave us just enough time to stumble into the bathroom, wake ourselves up with cold water and

get dressed to make it in time for breakfast, which consisted of coffee or tea and a soft bun with butter (a Continental breakfast). With this meal out of the way, those who were running low of cash were able to exchange their travellers cheques at the handy Banco de Bilbao across the street.

Rich again
Once we were rich, hanging on securely to our wallets, we boarded the bus to Toledo which departed from the Metropole Hotel at 9.30.

On our journey through the sunny countryside, many spectacles new to us were seen. Driving along the narrow roads, groves of olive trees could be seen. Likewise, this excursion

also gave us an insight into the "everyday living" of the Spanish country folk.

Create beauty
Soon we were rumbling into the city of Toledo, but not before we had stopped to visit the factory where the famous engravings of Toledo are created. The craftsmanship of many of the articles on display was superb.

Likewise, on the premises we were graced with the opportunity to see these artists at work, spending endless hours performing intricate and painstaking work — all with the deepest affection for the beauty they were creating.

After the invasion of the factory (where one could buy anything from bulky suits of armour to fine 24 Karat gold engravings), we hustled ourselves back onto the bus, to be driven to the parking lot where our guide was awaiting.

Once off the bus, our first stop was the Cathedral Sacristy in Toledo — rich in Gothic architecture. One cannot describe in words the beauty of the High Altar or the Main Chapel exterior. The carvings and stained glass windows are breathtaking sights. To see this workmanship is the only way to understand its beauty. Words cannot really describe the intricacies of these masterpieces.

After our tour, we were driven to the hilltop outside of Toledo, to take in the panoramic view of the city. On our way, we passed by an actual Roman bridge, still standing after centuries of use. However, such structures can't

stand forever and eventually time wears them down as we saw further down the road. Here was another Roman bridge which finally crumbled with time.

From here we were able to see a gypsy selling his ceramic wares on his donkey. After our allotted ten minutes, we climbed into the bus once again. Our trip to Toledo had thus ended and I don't think we will ever forget this eventful occasion, despite the fact that a few people managed to lose themselves.

With the memories of Toledo, we headed for home — Madrid. Arriving back at the Hotel Metropole at approximately 6.30, we were too early for our own dinner. If you wished, there was enough time to go shopping, seeing that all the stores were open from 6.00 till around 8.00.

Typical dancing
That night, Jose had arranged for the group to take in some flamenco dancing — the typical Spanish dancing with the long, frilly dresses and castanets. The actual stage structure was very unique. The building itself was a two-storey complex. On the bottom floor the stage was set up with chairs and tables for its viewers. Likewise, on the second floor, there were tables arranged around the balcony. This floor contained the bar, with beautiful interior decorating.

Soon, down below us, the dancers came on. Spanish music and dance filled the air. For hours, we were entertained by the dancers and singers, until to our surprise, they were entertained by a few of our friends.

During the next number of minutes, a couple of people from our group were to act as Flamenco dancers, although there was considerable difference between the styles of dance that they performed.

Memorable evening
But soon the night was over, and we were collected by our group leaders and led into the bus. All in all, the night was a memorable one for our group and I could guess that the dancers in that night club will never forget our friends.

Well, that was our second day in Madrid. We had only one more day left and we were to make good use of it.

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Notes from Acton High

By Janice Gibson
Last Friday, Dr. Paul Tamblin and Mr. Wally Rowley took two students—Peter Arbie and Steve Brunelle to Land of Lakes Region, north of Kingston. What was the purpose of this trip? Gaining experience that will prove valuable to the canoe trip in June was the main idea. Students and teachers from all over the province attended this three day workshop. The June expedition's plans are well under way, and students have already been selected for the outing. A Walk-A-Thon, and bottle collecting days were organized to raise money for the trip.

Paper drive
The Grade 13's had a paper drive Saturday. Each year the graduating class raises funds for the following year graduates. The money from this drive will go into this fund. I would like to correct my note about Mr. Jim Goring's geography field trip, last week. That outing was a continental glaciation study. This Friday or some time next week, the

students will go stream analyzing.

Drama festival
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Theatre night at high school

On Thursday, May 24 the grade 12 theatre arts students will be presenting an evening of one-act plays. Both plays are comedies.

The first play will be "Chester, You owe my Bird an Apology," a recently published Canadian play by John Lazarus. "Murder most foul" is carried out on a pecky parrot in this hilarious comedy.

The second play "Emil's leap" by Thomas Terefenko, raises the

question—what can a would-be suicide do about a persistent photographer?

Tickets are \$1 for adults and \$0.75 for students with I.D. cards. They will be on sale at the door, and will also be available through Mr. Sansom and members of the theatre arts class. The door opens at 8 o'clock and the performance begins at 8.30.

Regional election most vital

A Chinese meal at the Royal Cafe was enjoyed by members of Lakeside chapter of the I.O.D.E. before their regular meeting Tuesday of last week. About 30 enjoyed the dinner and visiting together.

At the meeting which followed in the Legion hall Ron Cooksley spoke on regional government.

Mr. Cooksley warned the members that the upcoming election for regional government would likely be the most important election they will ever vote in. It is extremely crucial to have the best people represent us.

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L'Arche studies summer camps

L'Arche auxiliary monthly meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Patricia Garton with 10 members and one guest present.

The four local children residing in Orillia Hospital School for the Mentally Retarded and Christopher Robin Home were sent cards and money orders which they could spend at the school tuck shop for Easter treats.

Saturday, May 12, at the Y.M.C.A. there will be a luncheon.

General Wolfe open house

Oakville's General Wolfe High School is planning an open house Wednesday, May 16 and has extended an invitation to all people living in Halton County to attend. There will be no admission charge. A ticket which will be entered into a draw for a compact car and other donated prizes will cost 50 cents apiece.

The program will run from seven until 10 p.m. with demonstrations including a student originated fashion show, choir, drum and bugle entertainment.

A full course meal will be available in the school's cafeteria between six and nine p.m.

at 10 a.m. till 2 p.m. with all proceeds going to be used to purchase more equipment for the Linkerbell Nursery.

Prepare seeds
The women of the Auxiliary have been very busy preparing seeds and envelopes ready for the annual flowers of Hope campaign due to start after Mother's Day on May 14. Volunteer canvassers will be calling on every home in Acton. Rural routes will be covered by mail. Members are hoping to better the 1972 total which was \$1,065.

The Sunshine School is holding the annual bazaar and tea on June 1 starting at 2 p.m.

Members are making enquiries into summer camps for the local retarded children and are hoping to sponsor several children this summer. Due to the generosity of the Ladies Society Christian Reformed Church one of the children will be sent to a special camp dealing with Behaviour Modification being run by O.H.M.R.

The next meeting will be held on May 23 at the home of Mrs. Patricia Garton.

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