

Gifts, speeches, music at R.L. graduation Tues.



VALEDICTORIAN Merie McNabb was given gift by Ariel Leal at R. L. program Tuesday of last week.



GIFTS TO Robert Little school are presented to principal Hazen Allen by Bruce Wilson, Joey Pupo and Kelly Edge.



VALEDICTORIAN AT Robert Little graduation was Merie McNabb.

The last grade eight banquet for Robert Little school was a resounding success. It was held Tuesday of last week in the Legion hall with a bountiful banquet, interesting program, proud presentations and then a dance. Behind the tables were rows of chairs where families were invited to sit and watch the program. (There was no room for parents when the banquets were held in the school gym).

Valedictorian was Merie McNabb who in a composed and confident manner, told of changes and highlights during the public school years of her class. She was given a gift by Kim Crooks and Ariel Leal.

Gifts

The grade eight class' choice for the traditional gift to the school was books. Kelly Edge, Joey Pupo and Bruce Wilson made the presentation

and principal Hazen Allen spoke in appreciation. Vice-principal Gary Bateman, who is leaving Robert Little, was given a gift by Bill Pinsonneault. Mr. Moreau, who provided the plastic plates and cutlery for the dinner, was given a gift by Don Brouillard and Rusty Miller. The class all applauded Pete Edge, their favorite disc jockey, as he accepted a gift from Janet Roach and Azelle Laffin.

School secretary Mrs. Ashley was given her parcel by Rosie Nicholls. Grade eight home room teachers Mrs. Kathy Sanford and Mrs. Ena Gibson got a great round of applause along with their gifts presented by Kevin Archibald and Mrs. McNabb.

Awards

Special awards to students were presented by representatives of the donors. Mrs. Dunn presented the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary award for highest achievement to Cheri Lindsay. Mrs. R. H. Elliott presented the Duke of Devonshire award for the student showing the most improvement to Doris Gunther. G. W. McKenzie presented the J.W. McEwen award to Joanne Gordon and Kevin Archibald. He expressed his pride in the young people.

Guest speaker was high school principal Dean Fink; he was introduced by James Merrin and thanked by Vicki Bristow. Mr. Fink told how his father had influenced him and told the graduates to be the best of what they are.

Allen Kleine-Deters said grace; Janice Thornhill expressed appreciation to the dinner committee. Cheri Lindsay introduced the head table guests and Kevin Archibald acted as master of ceremonies.

Special entertainment was enjoyed. Cheri Lindsay and Vicki Bristow danced to See You in September.

A rock group played Sealed With a Kiss. Vocalist was Mike Hagan and instrumentalists were Jeff Carr, Simon Bainford, Jim Saxon and Frank Papillon.

Paul Bray played the clarinet, accompanied by Cheri Lindsay at the piano. A "girls' choir sang, comprised of Merie McNabb, Colleen Crimless, Lori Vermeulen, Janet Roach, Kelly Edge, Azelle Laffin, Mrs. Sanford and Mrs. Gibson.

Graduates of '76 are Christine Allen, Murray Allen, Kevin Archibald, Gwen Barker, Earnest Behm, Yvonne Blain, Kevin Bousfield, Paul Bray, Vicki Bristow, Donald Brouillard, Jeffrey Carr, Kathy Cavlovic, Colleen Crimless, Kimberly Crooks, Daryl Davenport, Kelly Edge, Robert Edge, Robert Evans, Roger Evans, Jeff Ferguson.

Trefor Gardener, Debra Geberlein, Kelly George, Joanne Gordon, Lillian Graham, Debbie Greer, Beth Grein, Doris Gunther, Michael Hagan, Della Hennesey, Cathy Hillier, Gary Hinkley,

Douglas Johnson, Pauline Johnston, Susanne Kaspe, Beverley Kilby, Allen Kleine Deters, Denise Kunz, Azelle Laffin, Ariel Leal, Joe Le Clair, Cheri Lindsay, Denise MacDonald, Gary Mandarino, Kimberly McDowell, Todd McIntyre, Merie McNabb, Murray McNabb, James Merrin, Russell Miller, Corrina Moreau, Beth Morrison, Debbie Murchison, Rosanne Nicholls, Jamie O'Connor, Michael Overland, Frank Papillon, Nancy Patterson, Bill Pearn, Bill Pinsonneault, Joey Pupo, Simon Rainford, Janet Roach, Paula Ruppert, James Saxon, Sharon Schaw, Daniel Schannop, Tammy Smith, Michael Sweetman, Nora Tarr, Beverly Taylor, Caroline Thatcher, Janice Thornhill, John Toebes, Lori Vermeulen, Paul Vicary, Sharon Vos, John Vuk, Dale Weaver, Bruce Wilson, Melody Youmans.



JOANNE GORDON accepts bursary named in honor of former principal G. W. McKenzie from Mr. McKenzie himself.



CHERI LINDSAY received Legion Ladies' Auxiliary award from Mrs. J. Dunn at R. L. graduation.



HOME ROOM teachers Ena Gibson and Kathy Sanford were given gifts by their applauding Robert Little students.

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Second Section

Janet Ager is valedictorian at M.Z. Bennett graduation

Fifty-three grade eight students at M. Z. Bennett filed through the gymnasium doors on June 23, to emerge as 1976 graduates on their way to high school.

Julie Parsons, Vincent Lee, Janet Rowe, Darrell Allinson, Karen McHugh and Craig Gordon were on the committee to make graduation night an unforgettable experience.

Silhouettes of all the grads were taped up on the walls with their names on a paper scroll beneath their pictures. Balloons and other decorations were painstakingly put up.

A one man art show by John Bartolac filled the front foyer of the school for visitors to view.

The evening started with a banquet for the students. The smorgasbord meal was planned and prepared by the grade eight mothers with Mrs. Neely as the convener.

Sherry Halladay said the grace, with Bill Humenick giving the appreciation.

Awards Janet Rowe had the job of master of ceremonies for the

evening's program to which parents and friends were invited. The presentation of awards was held at this time.

Janet Ager received the trophy for the best girl athlete and Rick Lubbers as the male recipient. The I.O.D.E. award, presented by Mrs. A. Mowat, was received by Denise Paton. Lance Alton was presented with the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary award by Mrs. Lily Higgins.

A special appreciation award was given to John Bartolac for his art contributions to the school. He was given a set of oil colors by the student council.

Janet Ager and Gord Scott were presented with the Elmer Smith Bursary for the best all round student. Mrs. Beer (formerly Mrs. Smith) presented the students with cheques.

Janet Ager delivered the valedictory address, speaking of life at M. Z. Bennett.

Former vice-principal Dave Ballentine, guest speaker, was introduced by Marie Arbic. Mr. Ballentine

was welcomed back to the school by the students, and spoke on a variety of topics. Angela Schmidt gave the appreciation speech to the former vice-principal on

Grads

Students graduating were Janet Ager, Darrell Allinson, Lance Alton, Marie Arbic, John Bartolac, Eddie Blaser, Gary Bousfield, Julia Bowen, Donna Briggs, Heather Burt, Elaine Dawson.

Jackie Dawson, George Deforest, Jackie Denny, Luciano DiPieri, Kerry Disano, Kathy Ewart, Craig Gordon, Sherry Halladay, Howie Hall, Bill Humenick, Scott Kowall, David Lawson.

Vincent Lee, Ricky Lubbers, Steven Lumbers, Peter Luty, Bob McClure, Anne McCord, Karen McCord, Lise McGrath, Karen McHugh, Chris Mitchell, Derrick Neely, Julie Parsons.

Denise Paton, Joanne Reynolds, Susan Robinson, Gerry Roke, Rick Roke, Janet Rowe, Angela Schmidt, Gord Scott, John Sit, Clark Somerville, Wilma Splinter, Debbie Stanley, Tracey Taylor, Peter Turkosz, Rick Turkosz, Karen Wayne, Cathy Wellwood and Julie Zions.



DORIS GUNTHER thanks Mrs. R. H. Elliott for the Duke of Devonshire Chapter of the I.O.D.E. award.



ELMER SMITH Bursary awards presented to the best all round student were received by Janet Ager and Gord Scott, at the M.Z. Bennett grade eight graduation on June 21.



FORMER vice-principal of M.Z. Bennett school, Dave Ballentine, was guest speaker at the MZB grade eight graduation June 21.

Memories

A slide presentation was made by Julia Bowen and Tracey Taylor, entitled "Memories". The pictures were shown in time to songs "The Way We Were" and "Try To Remember." Slides of past school events, such as the recent trip to Ottawa, sports events, etc. were featured. Almost everyone had a chance to see themselves on the screen, whether coming out of the Parliament Buildings in the nation's capital, sleeping on the bus home, dribbling a basketball, doing art work, or just plain reading. The students could relate to everything.

A dance for the students followed the program. Sound Conspiracy was the musical group to wrap up the evening.



LANCE ALTON, recipient of the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary award; Denise Paton, who received the I.O.D.E. award and John Bartolac, winner of the appreciation award for his school, all were honored at the M.Z. Bennett grade eight graduation, June 21.



KEVIN ARCHIBALD accepts G. W. McKenzie bursary at R. L. graduation from the man in whose honor it's named.



PAUL BRAY and Cheri Lindsay entertain during musical program at Robert Little graduation.



GIRLS' CHOIR ENTERTAINED at Robert Little graduation. In the choir were Merie McNabb, Colleen Crimless, Lori Vermeulen, Janet Roach, Kelly Edge, Azelle Laffin, Mrs. Kathy Sanford and Mrs. Ena Gibson.



JANET AGER proved to be a very able valedictorian at the M.Z. Bennett grade eight graduation on June 21.