Strive for excellence valedictorian tells graduates

Mark Sawden gave an excellent valedictory address Friday night.

Striving for excellence should be the goal of every graduate Valedictorian Mark Sawden told a packed audience of parents, relatives, friends and graduates at Friday night's Acton High School commencement exercises.

Nearly 150 students received their grade 12 and 13 diplomas while dozens of students were honored with awards, scholarships and bursaries.

The evening marked the return of two-year principal Wally Watkins to the school. He was presented with a plaque by last year's student council president Mary Kekic. He thanked students and staff for the memories and privilege of being principal.

Sawden's valedictory address was brilliant. He managed to combine a roast of the grads and staff on the school with some thought provoking remarks about the goals and objectives the grads should be striving to achieve. Sawden himself was roasted by teacher, Mrs. J. Zarowny, who introduced him.

"Perhaps when we were at high school we didn't see it as a serious place. However, now that we have passed over to the other side of the fence, we have an opportunity to see it differently," Sawden said. The step from adolescence to the beginning of adulthood is a large one. . .high school was like Linuses blanket. . .providing us with security; seemingly invulnerable to most things that could harm us. . .

"We were told by our teachers what to do and how to do it. We were rarely criticized or seriously chastized for our mistakes and we were too selfish to see that our day-to-day actions within the social atmosphere of school was detrimental to those who weren't accepted. Being accepted was everything in high school. The social groups that formed had a lot more power over their fellow school mates than we cared to consider.

"As we were full of ourselves we perhaps failed to see the effect of the world today on our parents and the stress and strain they feel to provide for us.

"It was easy to say to ourselves that they did not pay as much attention to us as our egos required, but we missed the fact that their world was to become ours and all too soon. For us, it's here now.

"In high school we may have been heroes or heroines to our fellow students, because of victories in academic or sporting endeavours. But in college or university you must prove yourself all over again, without easily available teachers like ours who take pains to help.

"You must develop a self-drive to exist, to prevail against being submerged in an overwhelming number of new things, both educational, and, if you are away. . .what you have been used to going to Mother for during the last 18 years.

"The students going immediately into industry are confronted with the profit motive of business. Companies will train us and pay us and ultimately expect a return on their investment. That is their right and for most of us the avenue to a full and rewarding life as each of us perceives it.

"But, what about the investment in ourselves?"

"We have left high school now and have on the average approximately 45 years or so to retirement. Within five years some of us may be married and have children.

"Now, I think would be a great time to look at ourselves and ask if we invested our time well in high school, and if we did not, what should we do now before it's too late.

"The world owes us nothing, we owe the world everything," for the world of tomorrow belongs to us and will only be excellent if we seek to be excellent.

Tonight is the end of our childhood and for my part I am happy that most of it was spent in Acton.

The honor of being selected valedictorian will stay with me forever.

From today, my first in adulthood, I intend to seek out excellence by being as excellent as I can, for I feel a strange need to justify the high hopes that my parents, teachers and friends have for me, to prove my value to the world as a member of the human race.

"To my fellow graduates, I urge you to do the same. I cannot end this address any better than parodying the words of our past principal, Wally Watkins, in his message in our year book.

"We must seize each day with the urgency it requires. Wish not our lives away, but within the tedium of assignments, repetitions, frustrations and too often anger, celebrate each day with our youth, our energy, our wit and our strength, to make a better world for ourselves and our as yet unborn children."

Mrs. Betty Moore, the school's principal, described graduation as a "point of departure" for the grads, adding it was a recognition of their maturity.

Their years of study will culminate in the not too distant future in their biggest test yet, job performance. She urged the graduates choose the career trail which will take them furthest in life and not the trail that will take them the furthest in the fastest time.

Following is the list of award, scholarship and busary winners:

The Sandra Patterson Memorial Award for Music—Nancy Patterson; The Halton Hills Furniture and Appliances Award, Value $50—Ron Robertson; The Acton Home Hardware Bursary, Value $50—Dave Alchim; The Achilles Motors Scholarship—Value $100—Marjorie Ramsey; The Campbell's Furniture Showroom Scholarship, Value $100—Marjorie Ramsey; The A and B Foodland Award, Value $50—Kathy Cavlovic; The Broostad Memorial Art Award—Joe Condarcuri; The Halton Board of Education Achievement Awards—Total Value $150—Cindy Brill, Jackie Denny, Kevin Parker; The Royal Canadian Legion Scholarship, Value $200—Mark Sawden; The E. G. Tyler Award, Value $100—Karen Glenn; The Standard Products Athletics Award, Value $150—Sharon Cook; The Standard Products Technical Proficiency Awards, Total Value $200—Brent Fry, Renato Cadorin; The Standard Products Mathemitc Award, Value $50—Martin Osso; The Acton High School Staff Scholarship, Total Value $200—Jessica Buscher, Martin Osso; The Building Products of Canada Award, Total Value $100—Martin Osso, Mike Donat; The Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce Award, Total Value $100—Mike Donat; The Beardmore and Company Award, Value $200—Mike Donat; The Beardmore and Company Award, Value $100—Julie Pierce; The Acton Pharmacy Award, Value $75—Vince Lee; The Fourth Line Flower Shop and Nursery Award, Value $50—Shirley Ancker; The James B. Ledger Proficiency Award, Value $150—Shirley Ancker; The Clara Grindley Memorial Bursary, Value $100—Shirley Ancker; The Lakeside Chapter IODE Bursaries, Total Value $300—Dale Anderson, Janet Rowe; The Amos Mason Rotary Scholarship, Value $150—Merle McNabb; The Indusmin Limited Award, Value $200—Alice Mulders; The Acton Lions Club Scholarship, Total Value $100—Chi Ip Chan, Frank Geng; The Outers Award, Value $75—Jim Merrin; The Acton High School Bursary, Value $400—John Bartolac; Acton High School Achievement Awards—Jessica Buscher, Dale Anderson.

Cindy Brill is presented with a school board achievement award by Betty Fisher.

Betty Fisher presented Jackie Denny with a board of education achievement award.

University Scholarships

McMaster University (Chancellor's Scholarship)—Value: 1 year's tuition fees—Mark Sawden, Chi Ip Chan. University of Waterloo (Rene Descartes Entrance Bursary)—Value $200—Mike Donat. University of Guelph (O.A.C. Alumni Entrance Scholarship), Value $750—Greg Kitching.

Ontario Scholars

David Alchin, Shirley Ancker, Dale Anderson, Chi Ip Chan, Vivian De Winter, Michael Donat, Frank Geng, Martin Osso, Kevin Parker, Marjorie Ramsey, Ronald Robertson, Mark Sawden and Robett Trueman.

Secondary School Honor Graduation Diplomas

Grade 13

Dave Alchin, Shirley Ancker, Dale Anderson, Juanita Andrews, Gary Archibald, Eddie Blaser, Cindy Brill, Jessica Buscher, Chi Ip Chan, Anne Charlebois, Sharon Cook, Sandra Cunningham, Vivian De Winter, Michael Donat, Frank Geng, Karen Glenn, Jodi Gray, David Johnson, Les Jones, Patsy Kelly, Ernie Kidd, Charlie Kinal, Judy Krul, Rick Lott, Rod McDowall, Peter Muselius, Martin Osso, Kevin Parker, Marjorie Ramsey, Ron Robertson, Tom Rosenbersky, Mark Sawden, Jutta Thiel, Frank Van Opstal, Greg Yellenik and Robert Trueman.

Secondary School Graduation Diplomas

Christine Allen, Darrell Allinson, Tammy Allsop, Lance Alton, Gordon Amphlett, Marie Arbic, Kevin Archibald, Cindy Arnold, John Bartolac, Miriam Beaton, Yvonne Blain, Donna Briggs, Cindy Brill, James Britton, Steve Brundle, Renato Cadorin, Katherine Cavlovic, Colleen Crimless, Jacqueline Denny, Luciano Depiert, Michael Donat, Michael Downey, Kelly Duncliffe, Jean Early, Laurie Early, Kellylyn Edge, Tricia Ensing, Ken Faber, Frances Fryters, Trefor Gardener, Craig Gordon, Lillian Graham, Beth Grein, Sherry Halladay, Paul Hanousek, Dennis Jennings, Glenn Jocque, Lisa Johnson, Sheila Johnson, Sharon Johnston, Lori Jones, Larry Kee, Doreen Kilner, Greg Kitching, Lynda Knight, Sandra Krisch, Andrew Kroezen, David Lawson, Deanne Le Tendre, Ariel Leal, Vince Lee, Rob Leninzky, Cheryl Lindsay, Mary-Lou Lindsay, Lori Lustig, Neil MacLeod, Wayne MacLeod, Kimberly McDowell, Karen McHugh, Merle McNabb, Bruce McPhail, Lynne Mellor, James Merrin, John Mooney, Corrina Moreau, Joyce Mulders Jessie Munro, Derrick Neely, Martin Osso, Kim Ottaway, Gerald Paul, Julie Parsons, Denise Paton, Nancy Patterson, Charlie Payne, Clayton Pierce, Julie Pierce, Bill Pinsonneault, Carmelina Querques, Tony Querques, Michael Quinn, Joanne Reynolds, Janet Rowe, Paula Ruppert, Sharon Schaw, Selina Schmidt, Ron Skeffington, Blaire Smith, Clark Somerville, Wilma Splinter, Stephen Springle, Kara Swenson-Rosenquist, Peter Tatton, Caroline Thatcher, Janice Thornhill, James Trowbridge, Lorlann Vermuelen, John Vuk, Cathy Wellwood, Gary Williams, Jeanette Wuebbolt and Julie Zions.

Other Awards

The First Line Television Award, Year 1 English—Value $25—Shelley Wong. The Beardmore and Company Award, Year 1 Science—Value $25—Brian Kremer. The IGA Scholarship, Year 2 Family Studies—Value $25—Susan Auty. The Nielsen's Clothing Prize, Year 2 French—Heather Thatcher. The Indusmin Award—Year 2 Environmental Science—Value $25—Tanya Mokrytzki. The Dr. J. Facey Award, Year 3 Biology—Total Value $25—Barbara Hogenbirk, Greg Silcock. Denny's Insurance Prize, Year 3 Accounting—Patricia Foster, Laurie Moreau, Steve Scott. The Gal's Pal Ladies Wear Award, Year 4 Family Studies—Value $25—Sharon Schaw. The Acton High School Technical Awards—Year 1—Lori Muasgnug, Year 2—Paul McTrash, Year 3—Brent Fry, Year 4—Renato Cadorin.

A kiss for Trustee Betty Fisher from figure skating star Kevin Parker who received a Halton Board of Education Achievement Award.

Betty Moore speaks to the graduates at commencement.

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