

Teen Outlook



The Georgetown Optimist Club presented a number of Youth Appreciation Citations to a group of young people recently for their efforts in the community through various projects, including Open Door. From left, Nina

Patriquin, Jim Lowry, Dave Rutherford (Optimist President), Ian Handy, Kristin Bulmer (co-ordinator), Stephen Veltman, Bev Scruton (co-ordinator), David Presswood, Halton Hills Mayor Russ Miller, and Melissa Baldwin.

Students take part in science days

A contingent of students from Georgetown District High School are among approximately 1,200 senior students, along with some of their teachers, from 45 Ontario secondary schools who will participate in the University of Waterloo's computer science days, Dec. 7-15.

They will learn how computer science is taught at UW and rotate

among several workshops developed in response to changes in computer use, and new technologies. As well, they will try their hand at database management, spreadsheets, computer graphics, Hyprcard and numerical computation.

UW's computer science days offers mathematically-inclined high school students, interested in com-

puter science, a chance to experience a university and meet with university students and professors.

The program has been in existence at Waterloo for 20 years. It is offered twice a year with approximately 1,200 student visitors each time. Over the years approximately 50,000 have participated.

Signs of the times for high school

And so we meet again, good readership. How ya' doin'? Just fine here.

As you may have noticed, yesterday was a Professional Development Day for the staff of GDHS. As the teachers were out professionally developing, many students were busy doing really important tasks; such as shopping, sleeping in, staying out late, etc... I support PD days, and personally feel that more PD days should be added to the school curriculum. This, however, is just a personal opinion (though one that I happen to favor).

I realize this may be a little belated (alright, very belated), but I have a few questions. First, that new sign in the cafe - you know, the annoying red one - was it really worth the \$4,000 it was rumored to have cost just to advertise what the lunch special is? Secondly, what purpose does that large concrete and wooden contraption at the front entrance to the school serve. Beyond that, what the heck is it?

If you happen to have the answer to any of these, please seek me out and enlighten me. Ignorance is not as blissful as it is cracked up to be.

The latest copy of the GDHS Press is due out any time, now. This latest edition features an exclusive interview with the band, The Bay City Rollers, by yours truly, as well as the next installment of Notes On The Environment, and many other features highlighting student life.

Try this out. The next time you are



GDHS News

Jamie Harrison

walking down a "restricted hallway" and a teacher or sentry stops and asks if you know this is a restricted hallway, act dumb. My prediction (actually it's an educated guess based on past experience) is that you will be chastised for your apparent stupidity. It's somewhat akin to asking if one knows that GDHS is a school. Of course we know that they are restricted hallways. How can we miss those artsy signs plastered throughout the school apparently banning all forms of human life from setting foot within these specified areas.

Last Friday, GDHS held a Laser Dance, which came off as quite a success. The reviews are in, everyone seemed to speak highly of it. Let's give it a "two thumbs up."

That's it folks. My mind has kicked into Park (previously it was in Neutral, bordering on Drive), and the gas gauge is on empty. Tune in next week when I'll ramble on about something else. Chow...

Sheridan installs president

Mary E. Hofstetter was officially installed as Sheridan College's third president in a special convocation at the Oakville Campus on Thursday, Nov. 17.

The Honorable Lyn McLeod, Ontario's Minister of Colleges and Universities, praised Ms. Hofstetter's impressive knowledge and understanding of the College, its people and programs.

Dr. Charles Pascal, former President of Sir Sanford Fleming and current Chairman of the Council of Regents, congratulated Sheridan's Board of Governors for their vision and foresight to hire the right candidate. "President Hofstetter will make a difference for Sheridan," said Mr. Pascal.

In her presidential address, Ms. Hofstetter emphasized the need for all of Ontario's 22 colleges to face a number of challenges. "This is the time for Sheridan, and the other colleges, and indeed the educational system to 'say something.' To reach for new heights of development and fulfillment in a world of change. To model for our communities and the people in them the values and the vision, the energy and the entrepreneurship which can be generated from the combined will of an integrated society," said Ms. Hofstetter.

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