School News

Rebel Report

GDHS media program in focus

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This week I would like to focus on the Grade 12 media program at G.D.H.S. The program involves many different aspects of media, television, radio, photography, journalism. Not only are these subjects discussed but there is also a technical and hands-on skill that is required.

This year, like many other years the program is getting the students involved in creating a one hour television show and the students are learning a lot about what is involved in producing a television show.

The Grade 12 media course is a wonderful program at the high school and this year the students are involved in creating their own television show, that will air on Cable 4 in a few weeks.

The students get one hour of air time and they are putting together three 20 minute shows. Each directed, produced and starring the students of the class.

The three sections they will be touching on are; school news, and events, the new cosmetology course and few notes on entertainment.

The students involved in this program are learning how to manage and produce a show, and are learning about the technical skill required. The students use portable cameras to film the show. They also edit the work they have done on a professional editing machine. Furthermore they also get to use the equipment at the Cable 4 station in Acton. There the students are able to use the professional cameras to film segments of their shows, while others in the control room look on to make sure everything is going. well. They are able to use special equipment that permits them to view what is being filmed in a number of different ways and they can tell the cameramen which way to shift their cameras. More importantly the students are able to get the hands-on experience of what it is like to work in a television studio and they realize what it is like to put a show together in a few short weeks.

In the past two weeks students have been filming other students enrolled in the new cosmetology course. They have received a lot of information about the program from an interview with Mrs. Dell the teacher, as well as interviews with many students. The first few times the media students had some problems with the cameras and the sound interference but soon they got the hang of it and they had a great time interviewing and filming everyone in the class!

Not only do the shows have to be filmed but scripts have to be written, producers have to review the material and editors have to decide what to keep and what not to keep. Other students in the class have these duties. Scripts are being written for the two hosts of the show and this too involves a lot of work and it is very time consuming.

The producers have to alter anything that is wrong with the material on film before the editors see it and they must also choose any music they want to use on each program.

All the students are working very hard and they are getting a glimpse of what it is like to create a television show. It is not as easy as it looks! The students get a lot of hands-on work to do and they are all cooperating to make the show a success.

They are learning about the technical aspects of television and they are having fun doing it!

So stay tuned to your local channel and don't miss Rebel Review, produced by the Grade 12 media class!

University information program

By BRYN DAVIES
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University Information Night for Parents Tonight:

An-annual event at GDHS is University Information Night for Parents. This is an opportunity for you to come to hear about a variety of issues relating to your son or daughter's University plans.

A College Information Night is held later in the year.

Tonight's meeting, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in our cafetorium, will look at timelines, choosing the right university, and sources of additional information including "finances".

While all of our guidance counsellors work with senior students, two of them in par-

ticular, Mrs. Worrall and Mrs. O'Neil, are responsible for planning the evening.

In addition to tonight's event, they also produce a Senior Newsletter which provides students with updates about campus visits and university and college application guidelines.

In addition, we have an OAC (the older gr 13) committee which looks at the pressures our graduating students are under. Each year, this group of teachers put on a special workshop about the survival skills senior students need to master.

We are also attempting to coordinate field trips and major assignments in order to help students manage their busy workload.



A boys day out

Acton youths Matthew Grey, 7, Kyle Grey, 4, and Steven Terry, 5, had a day of fun and laughs at Sunday's 'Kids on Cloud Nine' event at Acton High School, an event put on by the Georgetown Branch

of the Association for Early Childhood Education to kick off the International Week of the Child. (Herald Photo by Steven LeBlanc)

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