

# Commencement signals a time to move on

For many students it was a sad time. But for most it was a signal to move on as Milton District High School officially presented its graduation diplomas and awards at commencement Friday night at the high school.

Most students who had completed their education returned, perhaps for a final time, while a large number of present grade 13 students also were on hand to officially receive their grade 12 diplomas.

Paul Van Oorschot who presently attends the University of Waterloo delivered the valedictory address using humorous remembrances of his five years at MDHS to an appreciative audience.

Van Oorschot received seven awards and a share of an eighth. One of the top awards, the Descartes Mathematics Awards went to Roseanne Landry but the university felt two other students, Patti Gies and Van Oorschot were also deserving and made smaller prizes to them as well.

It marked the first commencement for newly installed principal Peter Gnish.

The following were the scholarships and awards presented to Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 students:

Halton Board of Education Proficiency Prize, Year 1, \$20, Heather Brewer; Campbellville Women's Institute Prize (Year 1 English) Book, Heather Brewer; Halton Board of Education Proficiency Prize, Year 2, \$20, Anita Roncato; Wilfred Crozier Shield, Anita Roncato; MDHS Literary Club Award (Year 2 English), Book, Santina Seminare; Halton Board of Education Proficiency Prize, Year 3, \$20, Liza Grazian.

John Milton Chapter IODE Trophy & Award, \$25, Lisa Grazian; Peter Larner Memorial Plaque (Year 4 Geography), David Brewer and Hanne Olesen; Milton District High School Technical Staff Award, \$25, Dave Brown; MDHS Literary Club Award (Year 3 English), Book, Chris Leonard; Halton Board of Education Proficiency Prize, Year 4, \$20, David Brewer; George Dawson Shield, Year 4, David Brewer; Student Council Honour Roll Plaque, David Brewer; Lorne Brown Memorial Award (Year 4 Music), \$100, Ron McAllister.

Milton Rotary Club Award, \$250, Doug Johnson; Muir Automotive & Industrial Supplies Ltd. Award, Dan Dales; Rockwell International of Canada Ltd., Plaque & Award, \$100, Fred Bakker; Russell Leadership Trophy, Robin Phillips; LeRoy Inglis Memorial Plaque (Business), \$25, Louise Kubinec; The Press, \$25, Kathryn Whaley; Reeves Art Award, \$30, Mark Spaldin; Halton Auto Electric Award, Bill Wilcox; Halton Secretaries' Award, \$75, Kelly Rigo.



Award winners: Three students who won important awards were (left to right) Louise Kubinec, the Terry Deslaurier Citizenship Cup; Judy MacDougall, the I.A.M. scholarship of \$1,000 per year for four years; and Robin Phillips, the Russell Leadership Trophy.



Descartes award: Three graduates from MDHS were honored with the Descartes awards for mathematics from the University of Waterloo. Paul Van Oorschot, Patti Gies and Roseanne Landry (left-to-right) were the recipients. Miss Landry topped the test for the school with a mark of 55. Presenting the award is Dr. Peter Ponzio from the university while Dean Murray (associate director of Pure Sciences, right) and school principal Peter Gnish (second from right) look on proudly.

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Scholarships and awards presented to Year 5 students included: Halton Board of Education Proficiency Prize, \$50, Paul Van Oorschot; Pickett Shield, Paul Van Oorschot; Evening Star Rebekah Lodge No. 79 Scholarship (English and Another Language), \$100, Paul Van Oorschot; P.L. Robertson Scholarship (Mathematics), \$100, Paul Van Oorschot; Canada Trust Scholarship (Mathematics), \$50, Paul Van Oorschot; Ray Deumer Memorial Award and Plaque (Geography), \$10, Patti Gies and \$10, Kevin Coutts; Solex Industrial Handling Equipment Award (Geography), \$100, Patti Gies and Kevin Coutts; Milton Oddfellows Lodge No. 92 Scholarship (Sociology), (Continued on Pg. B11)

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