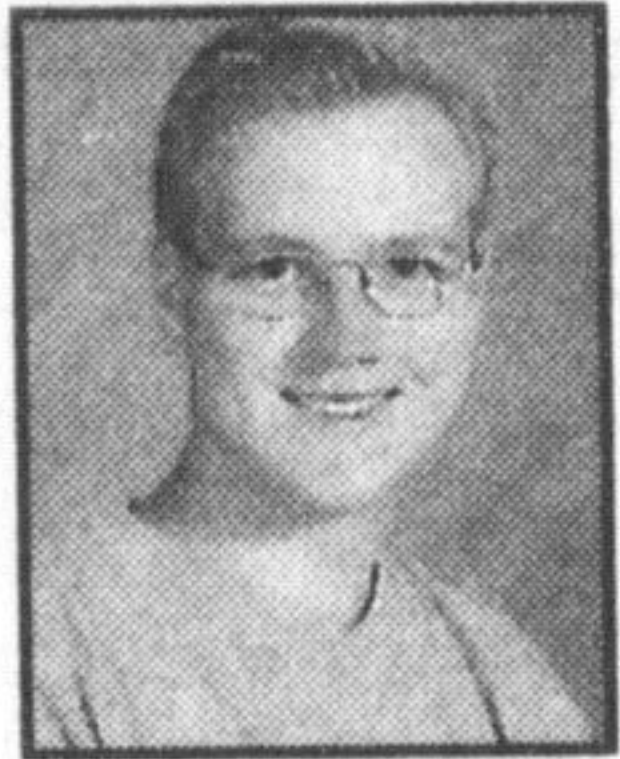


# HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

## “MUSTANG MESSENGER”



Jeff Vandevalk



Emily Willoughby

### MILTON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

Welcome to the last edition of the “Mustang Messenger” for this semester. We have had an exciting, fun-filled semester and we hope that next semester will be even better. We’d like to welcome our special guest writer Karen O’Keefe this week.

#### In the News

To start we would like to wish all students the best of luck on all of your exams. We have a few reminders surrounding exams, even though exams have been running for 2 days already. First off you must show and write all your exams at your scheduled time. Please be there 15 minutes before your exam starts. Exam return day is *Thursday, January 31* 9 am – 11 am ONLY. Report cards will be distributed the first day of semester 2 in last semester’s homeroom class. Please go to that class first thing February 4th. On the off chance that we get a snow day (wouldn’t we all just love one of those?) in the middle of exams, the exams will be bumped back one day, but exam pick-up will remain on the same day. For any more information regarding the exams, please refer to your yellow exam schedule sheet.

Students from the OAC art class showed their work on Wednesday and Thursday of this past week in their annual art show. Students got a chance to check out some of the cool stuff our talented OAC art students produced this year during class.

#### Karen’s Useless Fact File

Hi, my name is Karen O’Keefe, and this is my special edition of useless facts that have no real purpose, but do fill up space and can be used to wow your friends. Did you know that seventy years ago today the Trans-Canada telephone system was inaugurated? Well it was! For all of those people who are writing their OAC biology exams today, have you ever wondered why your stomach grumbles? The sound is a result of air rushing through your small intestine when it is empty. Don’t forget to celebrate next Wednesday! Wondering why? That’s when bell chimes were invented, in 1487.

We would like to thank Karen for stopping by, and we will be doing a full sports update in our next edition. We hope everyone has a great couple of days off next week, and we will see you back on the fourth.



Mark Laframboise

## BISHOP REDING HIGH SCHOOL



Ryan Pyne

### Royal Report

By Mark Laframboise and Ryan Pyne and Chris the King

As the students begin the dreaded process of writing exams, much anxiety fills the halls of Bishop Reding.

A reminder to all students concerning exams: if the school is officially closed, exams will be written on the next school day. The remaining exam schedule will be put back one full day.

During the final stretch of first semester the numerous athletic teams showed great performance as they head into the exam break. The Senior Boys’ Basketball team recently faced the top-ranked Iroquois Ridge. The guys started strong, leading by as much as thirteen points in the first half. However, the Royals struggled to convert inside the “paint” during the second half and lost a competitive game. Ryan Taylor led the scoring with sixteen points, while Conan O’Brien earned a double-double with thirteen points and thirteen rebounds. Best of luck in the second semester.

Following their tremendous victory against the previously unbeaten White Oaks squad, the Junior Boys’ Basketball team continued their winning ways. In a collective effort, the team claimed an important victory in the competitive 57-42 win over Iroquois Ridge. We wish the best of luck to the Midget-Aged players who will travel to St. Thomas Aquinas in Oakville for a tournament of February 1 and 2.

Last Friday, the Midget Girls’ Volleyball Team put forth an excellent effort as they defeated both Oakville Trafalgar and T.A. Blakelock. Laura Coates led the team with her outstanding serving. Justine Hall and Teshia Wood also contributed to the victories with their great hits.

Recently, the Girls Hockey Team earned a convincing 8-3 victory over T.A. Blakelock. Nicole Gooding led the Royal squad with her second straight hat trick. Chelsey Gruszka was also a leading offensive force, with two goals. Kim Standing, Erica Ercolani and Chantall Desroches rounded out the scoring adding one each. Emily Ruigrok had a strong game in net to secure the victory. The team would also like to acknowledge Nicole Boccia. Her sportsmanship, confidence and commitment are a great contribution to the team.

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; it’s the only thing that ever does.”

- Margaret Mead

## DATELINE DRURY AT E.C. DRURY HIGH SCHOOL



Megan Bauer



Lyndsey Jones



Rob “Mr. Konspirator” Parker

Welcome to the “Spartan Study Tip” edition of Dateline Drury! As you all know, this past week has been a relatively uneventful one, as all Spartans have been preparing for exams. Therefore, we reporters decided to expand our horizons and get to know our fellow reporters from MD and BR on a very personal level. To provide some humour and stress relief for our readers, as well as ourselves, we’ve included a report of our phone interviews with our fellow celebrity reporters. As well, we hope that you find the study tips equally as informative as the article itself!

At precisely 8:54pm on Tuesday evening, Megan contacted Mark “The Raspberry” Laframboise, a high school reporter from Bishop Reding. After exchanging heartfelt comments about the retirement of a certain Mustang Messenger Reporter (Malik), Megan finally got to the point of her interview. When asked to share his feelings about Dateline Drury, Mark was brimming with enthusiasm and adoration towards the column and the reporters themselves.

“I read all three articles, and although I think ours is better, Dateline Drury always provides me with a good laugh!”

- Mark “The Raspberry” Laframboise, fruity reporter from Bishop Reding

**STUDY TIP #1:** *Though at times you may feel like quitting, never give up!*

The girls’ hockey and volleyball teams must have been listening to this advice during the past week! In fact, this is precisely what both teams demonstrated during their games. When E.C. hosted a midget girls volleyball tourney last Friday, our Spartan ladies defined determination. To merely congratulate these girls on a fourth place finish would not begin to describe the effort put forth by these vivacious volley-ers! Way to go girls! On the ice, our scrappin’ Spartan hockey girls played a hard fought match against Loyola on Friday at Thompson Arena. With only two subs on the bench, not even these determined girls could keep up with their competition. Despite the first hat trick of the season by Laura Wellstead, the girls came up short with a score of 6-4. You’ll get ‘em next time ladies!

Later on Tuesday evening, at exactly 8:59 pm, Lyndsey phoned Mark’s fellow Bishop Reding reporter, Ryan Pine. After talking about the various issues that fave high school reporters, Lyndsey and Ryan got to the task at hand as Ryan divulged his true feelings for Dateline Drury.

“While the Royal Report is fun to write, I wish that I could work with two lovely ladies like Lyndsey and Megan.”

- Ryan Pine, regal reporter for the “Royal Report”

**STUDY TIP #2:** *Give it your “all”!*

This is precisely what three departing Drury staff members have done over their years at E.C. Drury. Students from every grade gathered together in the Locker Bay on Tuesday afternoon, for a ceremony wishing Mr. Gayfer, Mr. Martin, and Mr. Boag the best of luck in their future endeavors. All three teachers are moving on from E.C. Drury, and will be missed greatly by the students whose lives they touched. Best wishes teachers!

Less successful in his quest for friendship with fellow reporters was Rob, who is still waiting for his call back from Mustang Messenger’s Jeff Vandevalk. Hopefully by the time this article is published, Jeff will have responded to Rob’s friendly message on his answering machine.

That’s all for this edition of Dateline Drury! We hope your exams are going well, and that we were able to inspire you during this busy time. Always remember, as we reporters learned through Mark and Ryan this week, that a stranger is just a friend you haven’t met! Check back in two weeks!

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