

ESPSS Report

by Marjory Hammond and Bev Fitzgerald
I think it is safe to say that everyone at ESPSS is looking forward to the vacation.

But last week, many had something else on their minds. This was, of course, Man of La Mancha. The countless rehearsals in the last two months have paid off, as most who saw any of the three performances last weekend would agree that the

production was a success. All those involved are to be congratulated for some fine performances.

The next major production at ESPSS is the Christmas Concert scheduled for Thursday, December 18th. The entire music department is busy preparing for the evening. We're hoping for a very good turnout.

On Monday morning, Mr. Doug Lewis paid ESPSS grade 12 and 13

history students a visit. Mr. Lewis, the federal representative for this area, gave a 10 minute talk on the position he and his party (Progressive Conservative) holds, with regards to the Federal Government's proposals for the Canadian Constitution. He then answered questions from the students. The discussion centered around the issues of patriation, the amending formula, and the proposed Charter of

Rights. As a neat closing, Mr. Lewis gave us his vision of Canada, saying he was very proud to be a Canadian from Ontario.

As far as sports goes, in last week's boys' basketball action, ESPSS played host to

Twin Lakes from Orillia. Our midgets and juniors emerged victorious, both doubling the scores of their opponents, 49-20 and 51-25, respectively.

Pat Dion and Dave Bayfield were the high scorers for our midget

team while Paul Balabuck led the juniors with 14 points.

Twin Lakes' Seniors defeated ESPSS, 46-36. Top scorers for Penetang were Kenneth Cascagnette, scoring 12 points and Blaise Robitaille with 10

points. We wish all three teams the best of luck in the remainder of their season.

Girls' Volleyball for ESPSS starts this week and we are looking forward to a good season.



Half century of happiness

Mr. and Mrs. Manley Hawke of Midland celebrated 50 years of married bliss Saturday with friends and family attending a luncheon for the special occasion. Their anniversary wasn't actually until yesterday but it was held Saturday to accommodate visitors. The couple has

five daughters, 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. They were awarded a plaque by Premier of Ontario Bill Davis along with congratulations from Joe Clark, leader of the Progressive Conservative Party in Canada.

Christmas cards circa 1840

Only the very rich could afford to send Christmas cards in the year 1840 when they were first introduced in England. In 1859 they were offered for sale to the general public.

A German emigrant printer, Louis Prang, offered the Christmas card to the United States in 1875, in 20 different colours.

With the cost of mailing at the present rate, it would be advisable to revert back to the tradition of personal delivery of local cards.

A short personal note on each card makes it so much more meaningful than just a signature. Out-of-town cards should be mailed by December 11.

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The 25-foot spruce being erected in front of Midland Public Library was picked out by Midland Chamber of Commerce president Ernie Cowden and Commissioner of Works Percy Ehler from town-owned property in Tiny Twp. From

there it was hauled into town late last week by public works personnel and after a tree stand was located it was set in place. That's what you call teamwork.

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