

Principal's report from ESPSS

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Adult Education Program. By now most everyone of our readers has learned of the new opportunities which exist to acquire secondary school credits through the E.S.P.S.S. Adult Education program beginning in September 1982. In my mind this is a very exciting concept and although publicity for the program has been gained by newspaper coverage, television and radio interviews, and through the distribution of our Adult Education pamphlet in the community, it is possible that you have not heard of it yet. If not we would be pleased to receive your call at 549-7446. Miss Venante Francis is available for information about courses, registration procedures, etc.

Careers Information Centre. This past month we have opened a newly created Student Services Careers Information Centre under the auspices of the E.S.P.S.S. Guidance Department. This spacious new facility is designed completely around the acquisition and dispensation of information related to careers, whether it be trade, business, or professionally orientated. Information on job interviews, job description of all kinds, job requirements, financial assistance for study or career preparation, Canada manpower resources, etc., are all available in the new Centre. In addition we have held well attended seminars on the following topics:

- Representatives of Katimavik
- Ontario Provincial Police on careers in police work.
- Georgian College - Careers in computer education - Apprenticeship counsellor
- Student Employment Centre interviews
- Wilfrid Laurier University presentation
- Ontario Student Assistance Program - re financial assistance to students (OSAP)
- Brock University presentation



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h) On April 28, the Careers Information Centre at E.S.P.S.S. will feature a special program for occupational and educational information. It is called "Choices" and is a hands-on computer assisted program with a direct computer hook-up to Ottawa. Students will therefore have direct and immediate access to visual information on a variety of potential occupations. We feel that by establishing the Careers Information Centre we are responding positively to the needs of E.S.P.S.S. students at a time when they need it the most. The cost to our basic budget to establish the Careers Information Centre was several thousand dollars, however, I believe that it is money well spent if it increases student awareness of what is available and how to go about getting it.

Open House at E.S.P.S.S. Next week (April 26-30) is Education Week in Ontario. We at E.S.P.S.S. will mark this occasion with a special Open House during the evening of Wednesday, April 28. We see this as our opportunity to greet you and share with you some of what we do normally, as well as some of the things we can do of a special nature. Some of the

activities which will be in progress from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. that Wednesday evening are:

a) The program "Choices" described above can be seen in operation until 8:00 p.m. only. The operators of the computer will be happy to demonstrate this service to you.

b) The Guidance Department will also provide a large display of Career Information.

c) The Commercial department is hosting a Centennial Typing Contest during the morning. The public is invited to come and observe. During the evening, the public is invited to participate in Hands-On practice typing sessions on both manual and electric typewriters. Information about other office and clerical skills will be available.

e) The Physical Education department has organized a Basketball game between the 1981-82 E.S.P.S.S. All-Stars and former E.S.P.S.S. players. Also football films of E.S.P.S.S. teams, present and past will be shown.

f) The Music department will provide intermittent musical presentations in the Cafeteria.

g) The Art department will provide Art displays and Art related activities for the public.

h) The Mathematics department will provide

a Hands-On computer display.

i) The History department will provide historical displays, video and film presentations, and a debate in the Library.

j) The Science department will provide numerous displays of Biology, Physics, and Chemistry.

k) The Geography department will provide computer assisted teaching techniques as well as numerous displays and materials.

l) The English department will provide a display of learning materials used at E.S.P.S.S.

m) The Library's entire selection will be open to the public and will include a display of E.S.P.S.S. yearbooks of the past years, as well as a display of Centennial literature.

n) The Family Studies department will provide displays of students' sewing projects as well as an ongoing demonstration of machine quilting.

o) The French department will present a model lesson at the junior (grade 9 & 10) level.

p) The Occupations department will provide demonstration of Practical Work activity as well as a sale of baked goods.

q) The Technical department will provide the following:

1) Electronics: Displays and operation

of Electronic equipment, including video systems, computer applications, communications equipment and testing devices.

2) Drafting: Drawings and projects will be on display and several students will be on hand to explain their work. Course outlines and testing material will be available to parents interested in skill and concept

development in the Drafting student.

3) Automotive: Students will be on hand to demonstrate their skills in vehicle maintenance. This will include brake maintenance and engine analysis.

4) Sheet Metal: Funnel project - layout-transfer to metal, cutout, forming, wiring and soldering.

5) Machine Shop:

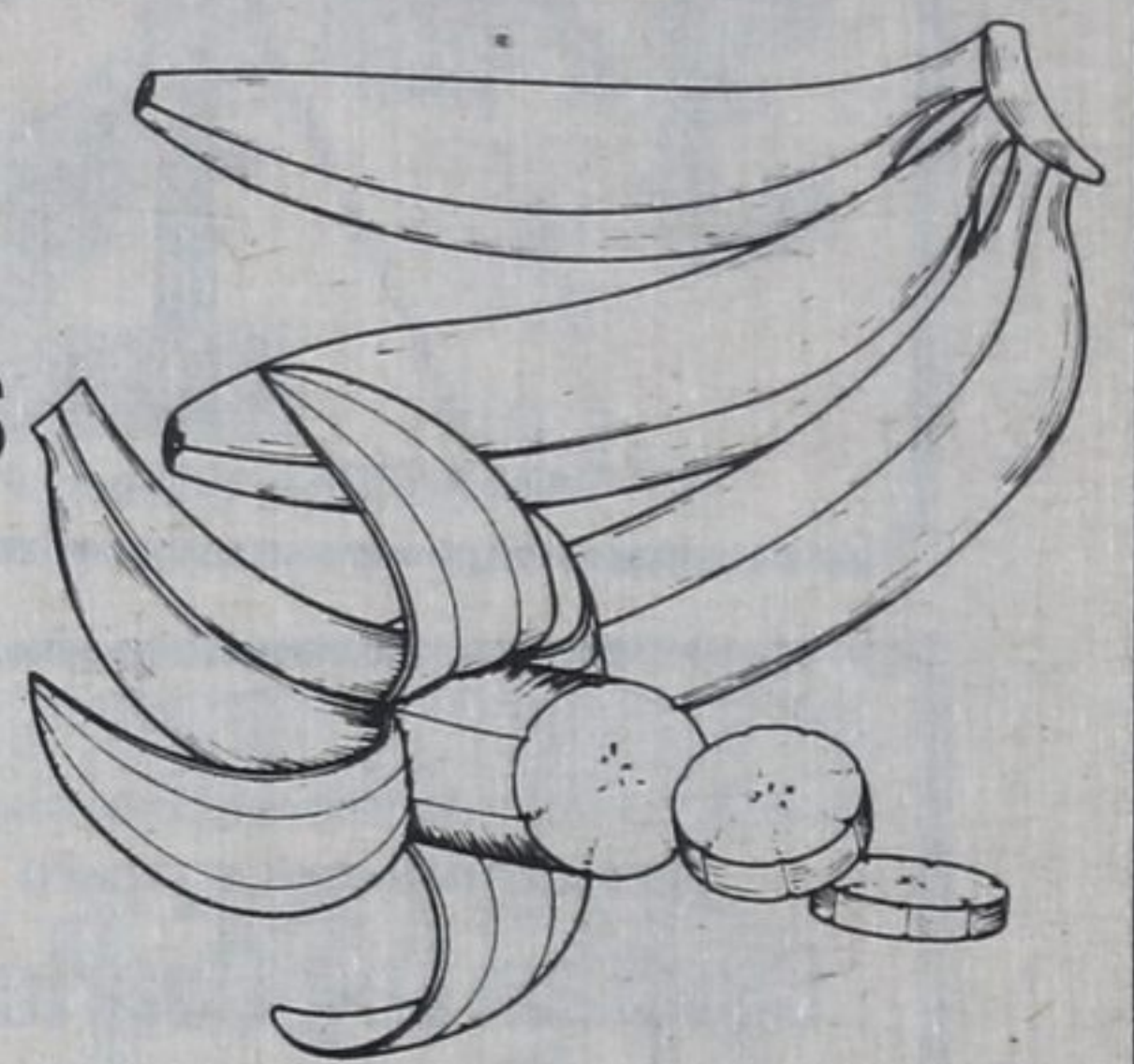
Students will be working on project operations, which will include lathes, tracer lathes, vertical mill, etc.

Please accept our invitation to visit E.S.P.S.S. on Wednesday, April 28 from 7-9 p.m.. Come and see, come and participate. This is your school as well as your children's. Take advantage of it. We will be here to receive you.

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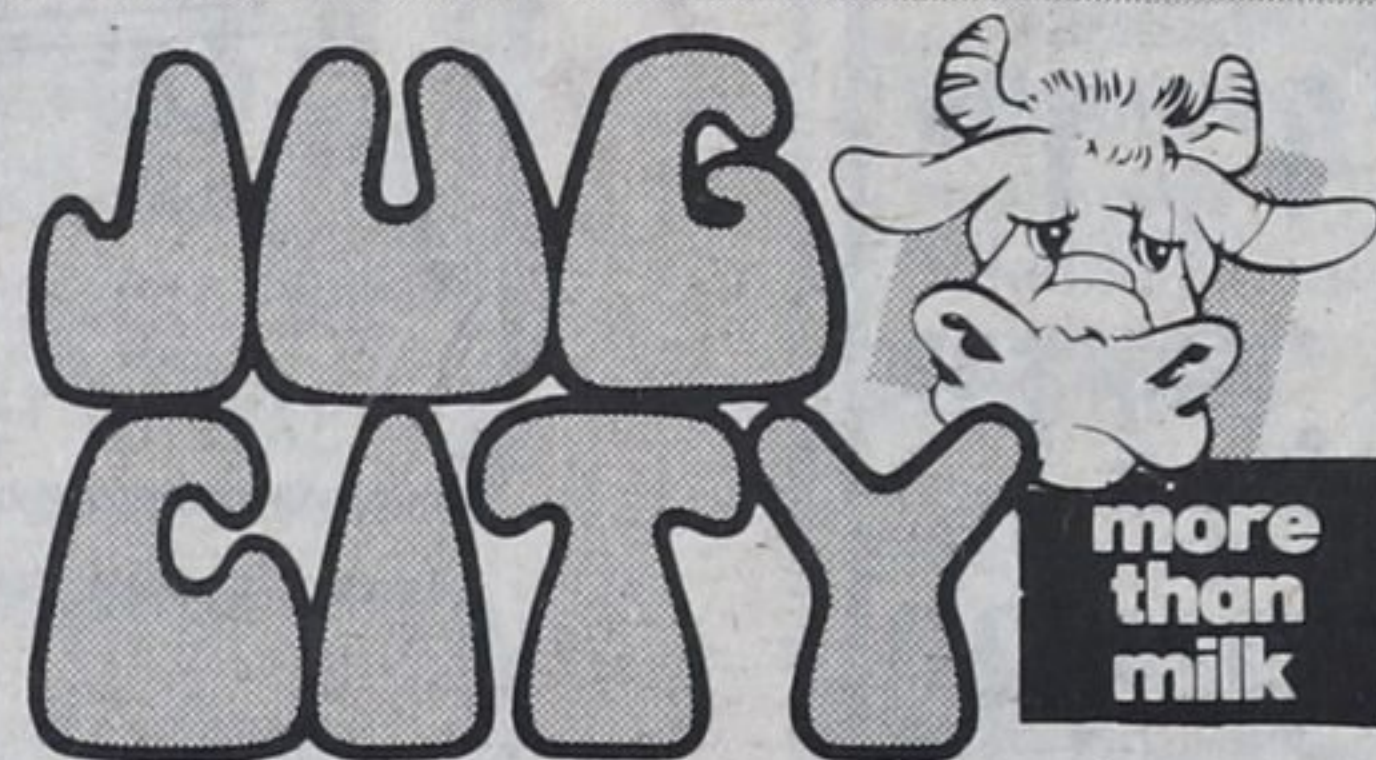
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