

Longer lunch hour

The Christmas season is fully upon us and the appropriate seasonal activities are now in full swing. This is in addition to the festive mood which has filled our halls and classrooms.

Christmas means food and St. Theresa's is no exception. We have started our food drive where each homeroom collects a quantity of non-perishable foodstuffs, which is donated to local charities for their Christmas campaigns.

In keeping with the spirit of the season, we are having a homeroom door and decorating con-

test. The judging was to be held Dec. 12. Good luck to all homerooms.

Students also were invited to decorate their lockers with Christmas baubles and bangles. Judging for the latter event will be done by our custodial and secretarial staff.

Last Friday there was a meeting with Corey Hamelin for all students interested in participating in an exchange next year. Exchanges are being offered to/w/ith Quebec, Belgium, Switzerland, Italy, Spain and West Germany. The students, who go on the

exchange will have students from the country or province they choose, stay with them for three months next fall (two months if they choose Belgium), then stay with their exchange student for three months in the spring of 1990.

Because our lunch hour was extended to 90 minutes, students had to find a way of entertaining themselves.

Janice Robillard, athletic council president, set up Homeroom Challenge Days, where each grade's home room has a team that competes at lunch hour by

maneuvering through an obstacle course. The first competition was a success as the grade 9s put in an honorable effort and home room 9A ended on top.

The Greaser Day mentioned in our last article was also a success. CKMP (1230 AM) program director Scott Warnock again put forth his time to provide music to the enthusiastic crowds. Costumes were adorned with poodles and "shades." Many thanks to those who participated.

The St. Theresa's band performed at the Midland Santa Claus Parade.

Port school elects a council

Port McNicoll public school held its junior council election on Dec. 8.

This election was run according to form. With the help of clerk Ted Walker from the municipal office, the young candidates filled

out official nomination forms.

Deputy returning officer, Ryan Lowrie, chaired an all-candidates meeting Dec. 6.

John Moreau, Port McNicoll reeve, was on hand with Walker and

community policeman, Const. Glen Sharpe, to hear the candidates' election speeches.

Laura Brown wanted more lights on the tobogganing hill so people wouldn't hit trees.

"I speak of this subject from personal experience," she said.

Jennifer Dandy wanted rolls of paper in the washrooms, "not just little sheets of paper." She also favored French for grades 1, 2, and 3.

Carolyn Klages said, "I care about everybody and their viewpoints."

Doug Webster, and several others, suggested a roof over the rink.

Alex Klages wanted lights around the baseball diamond.

Running for a second

term, Joey Rochon wanted more dances and school activities.

So did Myia Van Den Heuvel and deputy reeve candidate, Tim Kelly.

Greg Morton, also running for deputy reeve, recommended a suggestion box, and recycling bins in the school. He felt he knew the ropes because, as he said, "My mom is a councillor for Tay Township."

Reeve Jessica Brown was acclaimed. On election day she was joined on the new council by deputy reeve, Tim Kelly, grade 6 councillor, Laura Brown, and grade seven councillors, Joey Rochon and Myia Van Den Heuvel.

No date was set for the inauguration ceremony.

Resident satisfied

Ray McLarney of Midland Point Road has written to Tay Township council to express satisfaction with the way public works superintendent Cecil Gratrix handled his water problem.

The problem was described as "a dramatic drop in water pressure."

According to McLarney's letter, Gratrix "was a hard man

to convince, but once having done so the problem was handled professionally with dispatch and care."

McLarney continued that his frustrations with the water system in Tay have occasionally reached "epic proportions."

However, Gratrix has done much "to dampen the angst" and give him hope for the future.



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