

Student reps put fun into school

By **BLAINE KANEKO**
School doesn't have to be hum-
drum.

That's the philosophy of Stouffville Christian School's student council president Marc LaPointe

and Jeremy Wideman, his vice-president.

"To some, school is just an obligation. They have to attend," says the 15-year-old council head. "We're trying to make school exciting by providing more things to do."

"So far, we've organized a skating day. We're going on a ski trip to Horseshoe Valley, Feb. 22, and we usually visit Canada's Wonderland at the end of the year before exams," Jeremy added.

But the seven-member student council isn't stopping there. They've also organized a three-day outdoor education trip to Beaverton and various fundraisers, attempting to arrange one every month.

But before they can organize any event, they first need the support of their staff advisor and then it must meet the approval of the school's principal Wally Robinson.

"Every year a teacher is asked to act as SC advisor, sit in on meetings and offer suggestions: I think the SC helps the students develop unity and school spirit," says Mr. Robinson.

"The SC allows students an active involvement in school life. They come up with a slate of activities they want to do. They are a close-knit group having been together several years. They're very supportive of each other," the principal said.

Mr. Robinson is eager to point out that although the school is still developing, in the future there's potential for input into the curriculum's decision-making process.

And while SC life may appear rosy, there have been a few incidents that didn't turn out the way they were expected.

One example was a movie night fundraiser. After charging

admission and arranging refreshments, they realized, after seeing the foreword of the movie it was illegal to commercially use it for profit. The SC decided to refund the money.

"It was really embarrassing," admitted Jeremy, a Grade 8 SC member and Grade 7 class representative last year.

Both Marc and Jeremy agree there's plenty of work to go around.

"We lead the SC meetings, offer suggestions, lead chapels, announce meetings and serve as school representatives," Jeremy says. "If you arrange a good activity you get a pat on the back, if it's not successful you take the blame."

"I didn't particularly enjoy last year's activities. This year, I wanted to help do it right," Marc adds. "I hope I know what the students want."



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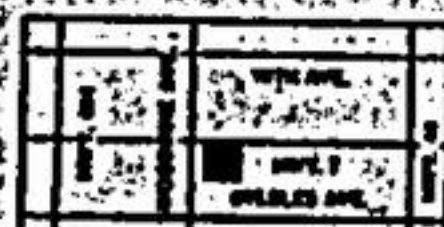
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