



Emcees Lori Woolford, (left), and Christine Dube did their best to carry a Grade 13 Christmas assembly, Thursday, but its fate was sealed from the start. The only human 'casualty' was Tribune editor Jim Thomas. He was struck on the head by an unidentified 'missile' thrown from the audience.



Student 'teacher' Corielle Hofstee performed her role well but couldn't maintain order. Principal Peter Bright was livid, reprimanding both organizers and participants at the conclusion of the program. One staff teacher described it as "the lowest of the low."  
—Jim Thomas

## Editor beamed by 'missile' principal livid after concert

By JIM THOMAS  
STOUFFVILLE — As I write this 'review', the vision of a sugar plum dances on my head.  
Problem is, it's no dream. I have a lump the size of a goose egg near my right ear.  
It was a case of being in the wrong place at the wrong time, or the wrong place at any time!  
A 'missile' thrown by some student 'foony' at the SDSS Grade 13 Christmas Assembly, Thursday, caught me square on the cranium. And it hurt.  
Despite the pain accompanying

the impact, I shudder to think of the result had I turned a split-second sooner; one eye permanently impaired.  
It wasn't funny. And neither was the show. It was a disgrace, the silliest performance ever perpetrated on a student audience from a High School stage, at least this High School stage.  
Senior students, even at the Grade 11 level, continually request increased responsibility. Staff members appreciate this and agree increased responsibility is deserved.

Thursday's 'episode' raises many questions. Responsibility, (or lack thereof), is one.  
On occasions, there's a fine line between entertainment and boredom. This show was neither. It was asinine.  
To their credit, emcees Lori Woolford and Christine Dube attempted to bring to the performance some semblance of commonsense. Better for everyone if they'd remained on stage the entire sixty minutes and left the curtain closed. What followed benefitted no one.

Principal Peter Bright was livid, and rightly so. We fully expected him to interrupt the chit-chat and bring it to a premature conclusion. He declined, allowing participants to stew in their own juice.  
A change in the format of Christmas Assembly '89 is a certainty. This year's 'classic' has seen to that.  
Give students sufficient rope and they'll hang themselves.  
Our verdict was murder in the first degree!

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