★ Booth Memorial Junior High school news ★

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Better school spirit needed

A better school spirit is definitely needed in Booth Memorial Junior High school! Thus far this year there has been very little evidence of it.

An example of poor school spirit was demonstrated at the basketball game between Port Edward and Booth Junior boys. Our team won but it was through their own efforts and not from the amount of support they received from other students.

Only our cheer leaders gave our team the support it deserved and their efforts and spirit showed up the rest of the student body.

Let us see that this doesn't happen again.

School spirit is just another form of good sportsmanship. Most students have it but they should make it known and felt. It is a well-known fact that if a team is playing hard but is still not doing so well, that there is nothing so heart-warming as your own friends cheering you on. It shows the team that the school is behind it every bit of the way.

So the next time we have the opportunity, let's get out and show everybody that we're from Booth Junior High school and we are proud of it and our teams.

—Arthur Tindill, editor.

Purpose and appreciation

The purpose of this news page is to acquaint the public with school activities.

In conjunction with the executive and staff of Booth Memorial Junior High school, we the editorial staff would like to thank Mr. J. R. Ayres, editor of The Daily News for his time and effort in instructing our staff in the production of our news page.

Poetry Corner

Guardians of the night

The cop who has the midnight watch
When time does slowly creep,
Patrols our street and keeps us safe,
While all of us doth sleep.
The time must slowly pass,
He keeps a steady beat,
Watching for trouble, fire and things,
That may happen on our street.
As we lay sleeping safe and secure,
Until the morrows dawn,
He watches over us, each one,
Till all the night has gone.

—By Rose Thomson

A flea and a fly in a flue,
Were imprisoned so what could they do,
Said the fly "Let us flee,"
Said the flea, "Let us fly,"
So they flew through a flaw in the flue.

There was an old man who loved steak,
Who made himself a garment of crepe
When asked, "Do they tear?"
He replied, "Here and there,"
But they're perfectly splendid for shape"

THIS YEAR'S Student Council for Booth Memorial Junior High school has already sponsored several activities for Grades 7, 8 and 9, including a concert, a basketball game and a Hallowe'en dance. Shown left to right are the council's sponsor Mr. V. R. Friesen; Wendy Christensen, secretary; Carole Wick, president; Mary Lewis, girls sports rep.; Kim Bremner, treasurer and Jim Russell, boys sports rep. —Photo by Charles E. Giordano.

Interesting program planned by council

By ARTHUR TINDILL
Grade 9

This year's Booth Memorial Junior High school student council, under the leadership of president Carole Wick, has already accomplished a great deal for the benefit of the students.

Activities arranged by the council include a dance Hallowe'en dance, a basketball game between Port Edward boys and the junior boys team and the concert given by soprano Marilyn Horne.

Major function of the student council is to arrange different activities for the student body.

BUSY TIME

When the student council is to be chosen at the beginning of the term, many tasks have to be carried out.

First a person who is considered reliable for one of the positions on the council has to be nominated by 10 other students. There are usually about three persons nominated for each position.

An assembly is called and the candidates have a chance to give speeches just like an election campaign. The speeches are about a minute long and in them the candidates tell the students what they hope to do if elected. It is just like politics.

Ballots are given out and a day later the election is held. Each student is allotted one vote to cast for the person he or she thinks can fulfill each job to the best of their ability.

When the voting is completed last year's student council counts up the votes and at the end of the day the name of the successful candidates who will form the new council are announced over the public address system.

A meeting is called soon afterwards to organize the term's activities.

Others making up this year's Junior Student council are Gloria Collison, vice-president; Wendy Christensen, secretary; Jimmy Bremner, treasurer; Jimmy Russell, boys sports rep; Mary Lewis, girls sports rep.

Successful sports program requires three ingredients

By JUDY GRIMOLFSON, Grade 8

A successful school sports program can be run only if certain things exist in the student body. The three important requirements are participation, co-operation and support of athletic activities.

Without ample participation in a sports program the program cannot be successful. Before a game can be started we must have players. Taking part in sports is an important part of social development because many of the benefits that exist in games apply in everyday life. By taking part in sports a student learns many things that will help in later years.

Co-operation is also important in school activities for several reasons. We all know that everything cannot be just the way everyone would like it to be. But can school sports be improved by grumbling about it? No. Only with the co-operation of all concerned will it improve.

Finally, support of school sports is very important. Only with the support of the students can a good calibre of sports be produced. If players know that the "fans" will be there to watch and cheer them on, they will play their best. Would you do your best if you felt that nobody was there to take notice or no one showed any interest in what you were doing? Spectators, then, add a much-needed incentive for players.

Could the Montreal Canadiens be such a winning team without the support of their fans? Spectators are important, for any representative team requires backing.

May I ask then, are you doing your share to boost sports? Are you participating in, co-operating, and supporting the school activities? If not, why not?

Junior girls set to cheer on Thursday

By JUDY GRIMOLFSON.

There are five girls on the newly-organized Junior Cheerleaders, who help promote the spirit of Booth and who have already shown their ability at a sports event.

They are Jeanne Richardson, Eilleen Rensvold, Judy Grimolfson, Georgina Dibb, Sharon Clarke.

Staff sponsor is Miss Joan McKnight while instructor is Gailya Grimolfson of the Senior Cheer club.

The junior cheerleaders led the cheering for their school on December 9 when the junior boys basketball team played the Port Edward Satellites.

They will go into action again this Thursday when the junior girls play the teachers and the junior boys play a return match against Port Edward.

Booth junior cagers win trim Port Edward 59-32

On Wednesday, December 9, the Booth Memorial Junior High school basketball team won an exciting game against the Port Edward Satellites 59-32.

Rod Sampson of Booth sank most of his shots to make him top scorer with 24 points. Port Edward's Alvin Smith and Carl Nelson proved themselves worthy shooters by producing 8 points each.

Booth Junior boys led all the way and at the end of the first quarter the score was 18-6. At half time the score was 35-14. During the next quarter Port Edward tried very hard to catch up but just couldn't seem to make a go of it. The score at the end of the third quarter was 43-22 for Booth.

In the final quarter Booth made 16 points and the Port Edward boys replied with 10.

Lineups:

Booth—R. Sampson 24, D. Robinson 14, B. Specht, G. Greissel, B. Ogilvie, R. Erikson 8, M. Mah 2, R. Newson, S. Cronck 2, R. Jeffery, T. McKay. Total 59.

Port Edward—C. Gurney 2, J. McKee, A. Stewart 6, C. Wing 6, C. Nelson 8, P. Haldane, H. Lewis, L. Brown, B. Stewart 2, F. Alexcee, A. Smith 8, T. Salko. Total 32.

Noted soprano gives concert for students

By URSULA TROJAHN

The beautiful and world-famous soprano Marilyn Horne presented a brief concert in Booth Memorial Junior High school November 2.

The concert was sponsored by the Junior High school student council and the 24-year-old Miss Horne's program was much appreciated by both teachers and students.

For half an hour she sang in German, English, French and Spanish.

Her accompanist was Igor Stravinsky.

Miss Horne was born in California and has sung in many great European festivals.

1,000 persons hear first big concert

More than 1,000 people packed Booth Memorial Junior High school auditorium Friday night to see and hear the results of School District 52's music program.

For more than two hours the large crowd was treated to a variety of musical effort from nearly 500 music students who in the past eight weeks have received training under the guidance of District 52's music co-ordinator James White.

Also contributing to the program were guest artists from Terrace and Kitimat.

William G. Homenuk representing District 52 School board introduced the program and Senior High school staff member L. J. Coxwell was master of ceremonies.

District superintendent of schools J. M. Phillipson, expressed the department of education's pleasure in the progress of the music program and told the audience that Friday night's concert was the first of many.

He said the efforts of the students showed what could be done in a short eight weeks of instruction.

The program was as follows:

Combined Junior and senior high school band, conductor James White, O Canada, Easy Step March and The Queen.

King Edward school choir, Mrs. R. W. Humperville conductor, Mrs. E. T. Novakowski, pianist choral selections.

Karen McBride and Richard Perley, flute and oboe selection.

Port Edward school rhythm band, selection.

Kitimat Junior-Senior High school, I. Berry, P. Mallow, B. Prysbylski, clarinet trio.

Conrad Street school choir, Mrs. R. C. Barbour conductor, Mrs. Constance Weise, pianist, choral selection.

Carolyn Slesinger, Skeena Junior-Senior High school music department, piano selection.

Thomas Harding, trombone solo.

Combined string group of Conrad, Roosevelt Park and King Edward Schools, conductor James White, Mrs. R. G. Moore, pianist; string selection.

Roosevelt Park school choir, conductor Miss Julie Prockter, Mrs. J. J. Donaldson pianist, choral selections.

Kitimat High school music department, V. Mallow, T. Shupe, G. Kehl, J. Mallow, brass quartet.

Booth Memorial Junior High Grade 7 choir, conductor Leonard Leighton, choral selection.

P. Springer, Kitimat Junior-Senior High music department, bass solo.

Booth Memorial Junior High Grade 8 choir, conductor V. R. Friesen, choral selection.

Booth Memorial Junior high band, guest conductor Tupman of Kitimat, selection.

Club plans dance

A Booth Memorial High school Sports club to raise the school spirit to a high standard has been formed under the supervision of Mr. W. H. Engbrecht.

The executive is composed of Wayne Specht, president Iain Cullen, vice-president; Maurice Desautels, treasurer; David Negrych, secretary and Brian Lewis, sports commentator.

To raise money for the basketball teams the Sports club operated a coat check on November 10 and 11. The club, which plans a basketball dance on January 22, hopes the dance will have the support of the students.

Pageant warmly received

By BARBARA AYRES
Grade 8

A small but enthusiastic crowd applauded the efforts of the Booth Junior High school Dramatic club Thursday night when the group presented a Christmas pageant, "The Other Wise Man" in the school auditorium.

The one-act, four-scene play was directed by teacher James Scollon, assisted by other staff members Ismet Hosein and William Goldie.

Mrs. E. M. Meger was in charge of make-up and G. G. McKenzie handled lighting.

The story deals with a Magi named Artaban who lived in Persia in the days when Herod ruled Jerusalem. Learing that his three friends, Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar, were preparing to go to Bethlehem to see the Messiah, Artaban sells all his possessions in exchange for three jewels, a sapphire, a ruby and a pearl, which he hopes to present to the saviour of Israel.

On his way to Bethlehem he gives up the sapphire so that Amos, a dying man, might live.

In Bethlehem a woman named Sarah tells Artaban that the other three wise men have already seen the Christ child who has been taken by His parents to Egypt to avoid death at Herod's orders.

Instead of presenting his ruby to Jesus, Artaban gives it to a Roman captain to save Sarah's child from being murdered.

Many years later Artaban returns to Jerusalem to find the city in a turmoil over the crucifixion of Jesus of Nazareth. He finally gives up his pearl to save a girl Judith from the slave market.

Artaban is struck by a falling tile in the earthquake that followed Christ's crucifixion and dies in the arms of Judith.

Donald Silversides turned in a marvellous performance as Artaban while Michael Manheim played the part of Artaban's servant Beor very well. Gillian Orton, as the Dreamer who told the story, played her role excellently.

Others who turned in good performances were: Ralph Reed as Abgarus; Robert Quast as Tigranes; Dale Montgomery as Cyrus; Jimmy Strand as Amos; Charlotte Callbreath as Hannah; Geraldine Panter as Sarah her daughter; Gillian Orton as Esther; Allen Vogel as a Roman captain; Teresa Lester as Leah; Ursula Trojahn as Tamar; Faye Grantham as Anna; May Perkins, as Judith; David Negcych and John Graham as two Macedonian soldiers; Judy Stewart as a woman of Jerusalem; Linda Johnsen as a young girl and Larry Bowman as a merchant.

Grade 8 junior choir to broadcast program over CFPR on Christmas Eve

By DAVID PITRE Grade 8 E

The Grade 8 school choir has had a busy few months since school opened in September.

Formed in the latter part of September by music teacher V. R. Friesen, the choir presented its first selections on November 10 when it sang at the Remembrance Day assembly in the school gym.

On November 27 the choir made a recording for the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation which is to be presented over radio station CFPR at 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve.

The choir also assisted the Junior High school Dramatic club with its pageant "The Other Wise Man" last Wednesday and Thursday.

Under Mr. Friesen's direction the choir sings in four-part harmony (soprano, alto, tenor and bass) with no accompaniment.

Since the beginning practicing has been confined to Christmas music with the exception of the Remembrance Day program.

When school resumes after the Christmas holiday the choir will start rehearsing new music in preparation for the Spring Concert.

New members for the choir would be welcomed.

All practices so far have been held out of school hours and when school re-opens after Christmas it is hoped that practice sessions will be held after school instead of in the mornings as they have been while the shift system of classes has been in effect.

PRINCIPAL F. A. DUNFORD
Interviewed by David Pitre

PRINCIPAL F. A. Dunford received an early introduction to education, starting school at the age of four in London, England where he was born. He first came to Canada in 1938 and completed his high school education in Toronto. During the Second World War, Mr. Dunford served with the Royal Canadian Navy. After the war he obtained his Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Education degrees at the University of B.C. and attended the Ontario College of Teacher Training. He began teaching in Oliver, B.C. and after five years went to S. J. Willis school in Victoria, and later to Esquimalt where he taught for four years. He became vice-principal of Booth Memorial Junior-Senior High school and this year was appointed principal of Booth Memorial Junior High school.

VICE-PRINCIPAL IAN H. CURRIE
Interviewed by Gillian Orton

VICE-PRINCIPAL Ian H. Currie was born in Nelson, British Columbia in 1925, was raised and educated there and graduated from Nelson Junior-Senior High school in 1943. He attended Victoria Normal school and graduated from the University of B.C. in 1954. He has taught in Rhond, Comox, North Pine, Fort St. John, all in B.C. and came to Prince Rupert in 1955. Here he began teaching at King Edward Elementary school where he was vice-principal for four years. Earlier this year he was appointed vice-principal of Booth Memorial Junior High school. In his teaching career he has taught elementary grades for seven years and Grades 7 and 8 for five years. Married, with a son, Mr. Currie's hobby is using tools.

Letterbox

The Editor,
The School Page:

May I very sincerely compliment Mr. James Scollon, his staff, and the cast for an excellent performance of their one act play, "The Other Wiseman." The fine harmony, balance, and tone, of the choir under Mr. V. R. Friesen gave a fitting background of carols. Such efforts which emphasize the real meaning of Christmas deserve greater support in a Christian community.

The Very Rev.
George T. Pattison,
St. Andrew's Cathedral

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