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# BREBEUF COLLEGE SCHOOL

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## THE YEAR 1973-1974 IN REVIEW

The purpose of this review is to highlight some of the events of the school year now closing. All activities will not be mentioned nor will all the details of any one activity be listed. It is hoped that a general account will be given. If we have missed the important event in which you are interested, we apologize beforehand and ask you to hope that on another occasion it will be adequately treated.

### ACADEMIC:

At this time of year the academic awards are not complete. We are, however, pleased to report that nine of our Grade XIII students have qualified for Ontario Scholarships and a large number have obtained first class honors.

It is too early to give the number who will receive scholarships from the various universities, but we have been informed that in the preliminary selection a number of our graduates are in contention at several universities: Toronto, McMaster, Western and Waterloo. In general, the staff feel that a good spirit of study and academic achievement has prevailed at Brebeuf.

### RETREATS:

A full day of retreat was arranged for students in Grades 9, 10 & 11. For the five Grade 9 classes this took place during the month of December; for the four Grade 10 classes and the three Grade 11 classes these retreats were held in January and February. All these retreats took place at Regis College on Bayview Avenue and were under the leadership of young Jesuit seminarians.

The purpose of this kind of retreat is to offer our students a faith-experience in small groups - an opportunity to reflect, to re-evaluate, to pray and to celebrate together as a Christian community in a non-class situation.

For the students in Grades 12 & 13, four retreats were held in March and April at Guelph and at Sharon. These retreats were voluntary and it was the interested students who participated.

PUBLIC SPEAKING & DEBATING:

The winners in the Brebeuf Annual Public Speaking Contests:

JUNIOR ELOCUTION:	Bernard McGouran 9A
JUNIOR ORIGINAL SPEECH:	George Warecki 9A
INTERMEDIATE ELOCUTION:	Costante Bortolin 10B
INTERMEDIATE ORIGINAL SPEECH:	Kieran Mulroy 10C
SENIOR ELOCUTION:	Mario DaSouza 11A
SENIOR ORIGINAL SPEECH:	Steve D'Agostino 11C

It is to be noted that this Brebeuf Contest grows out of the speech program of the Communications Arts Department.

Outside the school Brebeuf was represented in a number of public speaking tournaments:

Steve D'Agostino took part in the Oral Communications Festival and Michael Steele was a participant in the District A section of the Lions International Effective Speaking Competition. In the Royal Canadian Legion Public Speaking Contest Michael Steele won the competition as far as the finals in the senior section; in the junior section James Goldhawk carried on to the finals.

This year debating returned to Brebeuf after an absence of several years. Our students participated in several competitions of the Pro-Con League.

COMMUNICATIONS ARTS:

The Communications Arts Department and T.V. Brebeuf experienced another busy year. Employing equipment donated by the Brebeuf Ladies' Guild, teams of students produced video-tapes of basketball and wrestling sports events and the major dramatic presentation, Man of La Mancha. Also, many commercials, skits, satires, interviews and mini-documentaries were produced. Some of the notable documentaries were:

"E(ART)H"-----Brian Lynam and Greg MacNeill

"MONDRE"-----Paul Stasiuk, Kieran & Shawn Murray

"BREBEUF '74"-----Costante Bortolin, Dan Brennan & John Boyd

"VIOLENCE"-----Paul Collins and Dave Keeshan

"CANADA"-----Pat Gillett and Anthony Donato

"DRUGS"-----Andy Witecki and Sean Delaney.

T.V. Brebeuf also produced a one-hour original T.V. drama, set in a courtroom. Jan Riswick as Mrs. Peters, Mike Gifford as Coroner Lloyd, Jim Doedens as Harry, Tom Galligan as the Judge, Paul Collins as Defence Attorney and Brendan Jones as Prosecution starred in this Brebeuf FIRST.

## STATEMENT OF REVENUE &amp; EXPENSES

It seems that some people are amazed to learn that Brebeuf ever had any financial hard times. Perhaps, we were always too silent about this aspect of our operation. To put the record straight we would like to give you a tentative statement of revenue and expenses for the year just ending. It is tentative because our fiscal year has not yet closed. However, I believe that the following statement is reasonably correct:

REVENUE:		
*Tuition fees:	\$108,700.00	
General donations:	2,300.00	
TOTAL:		\$111,000.00
EXPENSES:		
Salaries & Benefits:		
Lay teachers:	\$108,500.00	
Office Staff:	8,500.00	
Administration costs:	7,000.00	
Interest on bank loan:	14,000.00	
TOTAL:		\$138,000.00
DEFICIT:		\$27,000.00

After the contribution of \$10,000.00 by the Brebeuf Lay Advisory Board there will remain a deficit of \$17,000.00.

\*It is to be noted that in "Tuition fees" (\$108,700.00) are included donations from the Knights of Columbus, the Brebeuf Ladies Guild, the Brebeuf Lay Teachers and some individuals. Since these donations were given specifically as BURSARIES FOR NEEDY STUDENTS, they ultimately appear as part of tuition fees. The non-specified donations, however, are given and accepted for the general conduct of the school.

## RETREATS

The students of Grades 9, 10 & 11 had a full class-day retreat at Regis College during January and February.

Grade 12 students had the opportunity of making a week-end retreat. All did not choose to make the retreat, but two retreats were held at Lake Joseph: May 5-7 and May 20-22.

Two groups of Grade 13 students chose to make a retreat on the week-end of April 12-14: one group at Lake Joseph and the other at Lake Simcoe.



## THE BREBEUF LAY ADVISORY BOARD:

The Board members are:

Mr. S. Bacsalmasi	Mr. D. McRae (Chairman)
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This is an advisory board and it has fulfilled that role well for many years. It has also been active in the role of money-raising for this school. This past year it conducted the second Brebeuf Annual Raffle: 150 tickets were printed, 144 were sold at \$100.00 each and ten prizes of \$500.00 were offered. From this raffle the Board was able to donate a little more than \$9,000.00 to help keep Brebeuf financially viable.

To date the raffle winners are:

JANUARY	Harry S. Tims
FEBRUARY	V. A. Kokko
MARCH	Bruno Tonelli
APRIL	Anthony Roman
MAY	A. W. Thornton
JUNE	Mollie Lavelle

Our congratulations to the winners. And for the next five draws our best wishes to each of the 144 ticket-holders.

## MUSIC AT BREBEUF:

The music program at Brebeuf is offered in Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12. It is a full credit course at each level and students meet once per day throughout the school year.

The course aims at providing a musical experience through which the student can become aware of the art and more able to appreciate and enjoy music.

The main vehicle used at Brebeuf is that of the instruments of the concert band: namely, winds, brass and percussion. Formal theory is taught at the second, third and fourth year levels.

Tied very closely with this program is the Brebeuf Concert Band. The members of this group have shown capabilities enabling them to perform from the standard repertoire of concert music. Also, the Stage Band, which performs music loosely labelled as "Big Band Jazz" provides yet another experience for the students.

Each year the music students perform in two major concerts; one at Christmas and the other in the spring. Besides, the band plays in several other events during the school year.

In 1974 the Band toured Austria, playing concerts in Vienna, Salzburg, Innsbruck and Zurich in Switzerland. Future trips are planned and hopefully every music student at Brebeuf will be able to participate in one.

#### STUDENT COUNCIL:

This year the Student Council was involved in a great variety of activities at Brebeuf. At the beginning of the year they prepared a Welcome Booklet to help new Grade 9 students adjust to their new school-home. This was followed by an Initiation Day, whose purpose was to get the new students acquainted with their older school mates. Throughout the year the Council "ran" the cafeteria....offering a large variety of tasty inexpensive dishes.

This year the Council sponsored several guest speakers: Lupe Gamboa of the United Fruit Workers (California Grape Pickers), Jeanie Marie Lacametia from the Right to Life organization, Sgt. Lewis from the North York Police Department who spoke on Capital Punishment. These speakers were enthusiastically received by the entire student body.

Money-raising is an important feature of Student Council work. This year the Council carried through a successful program in this department: the Chocolate Bar Campaign, the U.A. Coffee House and several dances. This money in turn was distributed to a number of projects in the school: the Brebeuf I.D. cards, S.A.C., athletics, the stamp and coin club, orchestra bells for the band, a freezer for the cafeteria, the Brebeuf Annual Raffle.

The recital of our many activities will recall many moments of joy: Initiation Day, the October Coffee House, the Speakers Forum, the November Dance, the O.C.S.F. Mini-Congress, the Election Dance, the Winter Carnival, the daily activity of feeding hungry students in the cafeteria...and many events too numerous to mention!

#### ATHLETICS:

Another busy year has come to a close, with Brebeuf teams being well represented in numerous activities. Although the school did not win a T.D.C.A.A. championship this year, our gymnastic and wrestling teams came second. Our senior football team, under Mr. Will's direction, were a very creditable third. Our senior basketball team was one of the top teams in the city, winning one tournament and being consolation champions in two other tournaments.

The intramural program worked on a class system this year. Grade 9A, under Father Toppings, was the top junior class, while 11B captured the senior division. The addition of hockey at Goulding Park was a big success.

Brent Hubbard, S.A.A. President, was the master of ceremonies for the presentation of individual awards at an athletic assembly on Thursday, May 30th. The presentation of senior letters and the major sports awards was made by Mr. Kennedy at the Closing Exercises on June 13th. Michael Tims was selected Athlete of the Year.



TRAVEL:

It is noted above that the Brebeuf Band toured Austria during the Mid-term Break. At the same time a group of Brebeuf students from Grades 10-13 enjoyed themselves immensely on a trip to Rome and Sorrento. This trip happily combined both studies and pleasure. They came home a tired but very contented group, who knew they had experienced something wonderful.

This group of travellers from Brebeuf were led by staff members: Mr. Clattenburg and Mr. DiRocco. The members of the group were well behaved and received compliments for their behavior from the Upper Canada Society tours organizers as well as from the managers of the hotels where they stayed.

Another trip is being planned for next March - to Rome and Florence.

DRAMA:

In cooperation with the Tams-Witmark Music Library of New York the Brebeuf Players presented the musical play, Man of La Mancha in late April of this year. This musical, which opened on November 22, 1965 at the Anta Washington Square Theatre in New York's Greenwich Village, was given little chance of success then. Also many said that a high school could not stage such a difficult musical. However, believing "the impossible dream", a production team of 8 teachers and over 80 students staged a most impressive interpretation of this play. All the costumes, props and elements of the set were home-grown. The players received four standing ovations for their efforts and played to over 1,800 people. Chris Blaine, Mark Tate, Kevin Sullivan, Dave Gray and Kelly Belton received the accolades of both audience and cast.