



BREBEUF college school

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THE YEAR 1977-1978 IN REVIEW

A C A D E M I C:

Brebeuf students are achieving well academically. It is expected that at least twelve of our students will merit to be named Ontario Scholars.

This year many of our students won success in academic tests outside Brebeuf:

1. The Grade 11 students wrote the Canada-wide Junior Mathematics Contest. Our school ranked 78th. in Canada, 38th. in Ontario and 3rd. in North York. *Michael Kovacs* placed 7th. in North York.
2. *Frank Marsiglio* & *Anthony Bortolin* participated in the Metro Toronto French Language Contest sponsored by the Ontario Modern Language Teachers' Association. Both received certificates of proficiency in French.
3. Ten Grade 12 students wrote the "1978 Euclid Mathematics Contest".
4. Our Grade 12 Chemistry students wrote the Chemistry Cooperative Achievement Test sponsored by Queen's University.
5. Grade 13 Chemistry students wrote the Research Assistantships Examination sponsored by Waterloo & Toronto Universities.
6. Six Brebeuf students wrote the York Achievement Test in Biology. Their teacher, *Mr. Stan Kosior*, was involved with two York University professors in the preparation of this test.
7. *Dave Eagan* of Grade 13 wrote the Descartes Mathematics Competition sponsored by Waterloo University.
8. Six Brebeuf students wrote the Tenth Sir Isaac Newton Achievement Test in Physics sponsored by the University of Waterloo. The average score of all students from the 358 participating schools was 12.8; the Brebeuf student average was 15.0. *Erich Wonehala* had a score of 30.0.

We are sorry to announce that we are losing one of our teachers, Mr. Larry Hoffman. Mr. Hoffman has done fine work as a science teacher at the Grade 10, 11 & 12 levels. He has been active in our athletic program having coached basketball and helped in other sports. We offer him our best wishes.

STATEMENT OF REVENUE & EXPENSES:

Below you will find a statement of revenue & expenses. Since our fiscal year has not closed, the figures for 1977-1978 are tentative; however, they are substantially correct. The figures for 1976-1977 are accurate.

	1976-1977	1977-1978
REVENUE:		
Tuition Fees:	\$167,157	\$182,567
French Grant:		3,137
TOTAL:	\$167,157	\$185,704
EXPENSES:		
Salaries & Benefits:	\$210,493	\$208,964
Administrative Costs:	6,933	9,672
Bank Charges:	16,552	16,021
TOTAL:	\$233,978	\$234,657
DEFICIT:	\$66,821	\$48,953
Deficit per student:	\$238	\$173

THE BREBEUF LAY ADVISORY BOARD:

In the last two years the fund-raising project carried on by the Brebeuf Lay Advisory Board has been *THE GREAT ESCAPE TRAVEL LOTTERY*. The success of this activity depends on the cooperation of the parents of our students and the friends of the school.

You will notice in the financial statement above that for each student in the private sector of the school in 1976-1977 there was a deficit of \$238.00 and for the present year the expected deficit for each student is \$173.00. We are dependent on sources other than tuition fees for the money necessary to handle this deficit each year. One important source of this money is the fund-raising activity of the Brebeuf Lay Advisory Board. For its success they need the cooperation of all parents of our students as well as the friends of our school. This cooperation is expressed in terms of *BUYING* memberships in the Great Escape Travel Lottery and in helping to *SELL* them.

Brebeuf is most grateful to the members of the Board and to the special Lottery Committee for the help they have given to the school.

BURSARIES:

We wish to advise parents and students that Brebeuf has a number of *BURSARIES* to help students who are unable to pay the full amount of the tuition fees. This bursary money has been donated by the Knights of Columbus, the Brebeuf Ladies' Guild and several individuals (including alumni) who have given money specifically as bursaries for needy students. This makes it possible for the school to implement a bursary policy which is based on the principle that any student who truly wishes to receive his education at Brebeuf and who is able to profit from the education offered here.....that student should be registered at this school. Bursary money will be made available to help him handle the tuition fee problem.

THE BREBEUF LADIES' GUILD

The year's activities began with the jacket sale in August. More jackets especially in larger sizes were needed.

The Annual Dinner Dance, convened by *Mrs. Joan Belton*, was held at the Thornhill Community Centre. It was an elegant affair. It netted \$1,923.48. On this occasion the first draw of Brebeuf's *TRAVEL LOTTERY - THE GREAT ESCAPE* was made.

The Mother & Son Communion Breakfast, held in February, was convened by *Mrs. Mary Arne Knowlton*. Mass was concelebrated at St. Joseph's-Morrow Park Chapel and a delicious breakfast followed at the Bayview Country Club. The attendance reached an all time high of 327.

On March 8th. *Mrs. Velma Letterio* & *Mrs. Mary Eleanor Mathers* convened the Spring Card Party in the Brebeuf Gymnasium. A sell-out crowd attended what is reputed to be the most popular bridge in the city. The profit realized from this event was \$2,038.64.

The weekly *KEEP FIT CLASSES* were held every Tuesday morning at Blessed Trinity Parish Centre. The instructors were *Mrs. Helen Clarke* & *Mrs. Paddy Causley* of the Creative Fitness Association. The proceeds, \$824.00, were donated to the Guild.

During the year the Guild was generous in donations to the school in the form of scholarships and financial help to the athletic program and other activities. After the Graduation Ceremonies on May 31st. the Grade 12 mothers catered the reception held in the Cafeteria for the graduates and their families.

STUDENT WRITING AT BREBEUF:

The Department of English published *TRIPLE BRONZE VII*, an anthology of student poetry on April 30, 1978. This is the seventh successive spring the school has published this 40-page booklet of creative writing. Some sixty-three students contributed sonnets, limericks, lyrics, epigrams and concrete poetry to this year's anthology. The booklet is a special project of the Grade 13 graduating class. Copies of *TRIPLE BRONZE VII* may be obtained from the English Department for twenty-five cents.

T. V. BREBEUF:

BCS-TV is composed of 24 students who work after school each day between 3:00 and 5:00 o'clock in Room 206, producing T.V. skits, cartoons, micro-documentaries, and so forth. Four students act as producers and work with a crew of five each. The club also televises sports events and various public meetings at the school. *Mark Purcell, Tony Bortolin, Paul Ignacik, Francis Dvorak, Peter Cresswell* and *Steve White* have worked very effectively for the club this past year.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE & RETREATS:

School began with the traditional Mass of the Holy Spirit: September 6th. for the Juniors and September 8th. for the Seniors.

Daily mass during the school week is celebrated at 8:25 each morning in the Student Chapel. Special class masses are arranged by Class Masters and Religion Teachers.

Each month there is a First Friday Mass in the gymnasium. Though attendance is optional, this mass is very well attended. Throughout the school year special masses highlight feasts of the liturgical year: St. John Brebeuf & Companions, All Saints, All Souls, Immaculate Conception, Christmas, Lent and so forth.

The Retreat Program for the five Grade Nines took place in November. The four Grade Tens had theirs in April. The place was Blessed Trinity Centre - courtesy of *Father W. Firth*. These retreats were ably conducted by *Father Brian Massie, S.J.*, *Father Jack Burns, S.J.* and a team of young Jesuit novices. One of the novices, *Paul Dungan*, is a graduate of Brebeuf.

Special speakers for the senior classes this year included a Rabbi, who spoke on Judaism, and two ministers of the Mormon Church.

MUSIC AT BREBEUF:

The Music Department closed its ninth year with the Annual Spring Concert on May 11th. in Minkler Auditorium. This year 215 boys were enrolled in music classes; this represents over one third of the total student body.

The European Tour was a smashing success, featuring nine concerts in fourteen days. Seventy boys representing the Brebeuf Concert Band performed in Zurich, Willis and Lucerne, Switzerland as well as in Assisi and Rome, Italy. The high point of the tour was a sensational concert before more than ten thousand people in the presence of Pope Paul VI in the Audience Hall of the Vatican. The memory of this truly magnificent experience will live forever in the minds and hearts of the boys and their teachers.

A special feature of this year's Stage Band was the guest appearance of *Mr. Cliff McKay* as soloist. *Mr. McKay*, a former member of "THE HAPPY GANG" and star of his own CBC-TV show "HOLIDAY RANCH" was an inspiration to the band members who performed with him.

DEBATING:

Brebeuf continued to improve its standing in Pro-Con debating in Ontario this year. Six debaters attended the Jesuit Invitational Tournament at Gonzaga in St. John's, Newfoundland in January: *Robert O'Brien*, *Peter Camilleri*, *Paul DeBarros*, *Tom Lesnick*, *John Hoddinott* and *Frank MacGrath*. They led Brebeuf to a close runner-up position in the finals.

JESUIT INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT -- OPEN HOUSE CANADA:

Brebeuf's Senior Basketball team, comprised of thirteen players, and the Debating team, of six students, travelled to St. John's, Newfoundland, on January 8th. for a week of competition and exchange. The students, who were billeted by students of Gonzaga Regional High School, enjoyed a week of activity which included sightseeing, cultural exchange and friendship.

The week was sponsored by Open House Canada, a federal government program, which promotes visits between high school students of different provinces.

Our students attended class at Gonzaga, visited historic and cultural landmarks in Newfoundland and competed in several events. In addition to Brebeuf, Gonzaga hosted students from St. Paul's High School of Winnipeg and Loyola High School of Montreal.

In competition at Gonzaga's Fifteenth Anniversary Celebrations, our basketball team won the over-all championship. The debating team reached the finals but lost to the team from Gonzaga. Student Council representatives from the four schools exchanged ideas regarding council direction of student activities.

Open House Canada stipulated a return visit by the host school to the other three participating schools. Consequently on April 9th, twenty-three students from Gonzaga arrived at Brebeuf for a round of similar activities. The Gonzaga Hockey team played several games against Brebeuf; the highlight of the competition was a game played at Maple Leaf Gardens. In their off-hours the students from Gonzaga had the opportunity of visiting many interesting places in our city.

DRAMA:

The Brebeuf Players' production of Agatha Christie's "*THE MOUSETRAP*" was greeted by the warm applause of three receptive audiences on the first week-end of May. The play was co-directed by *Mr. Keyes*, *Mr. Whalen* and a Grade 13 student, *Malcolm Gurley*. This play marked a first in that it had a double cast. *Dan Neundorf*, *Pierre Kugler*, *Cathy Galligan*, *Dan D'Agostino* and *Tony Cosentino* performed all three evenings. Joining them for the Thursday performance were: *Carolyn Gaughan*, *Don Robertson* and *Kit O'Rourke*. For the Friday and Saturday performances these latter players were replaced by: *Melanie Palker*, *Pat Galligan* and *Joanne Sweeney*. Each player is commended for excellent performance. The fact that many roles were played by junior students augurs well for the future of dramatics at Brebeuf.

ATHLETICS:

In the fall a Father-Son Awards banquet was held with *Dr. Frank Cosentino* as guest speaker. Intra-mural and extra-mural awards were presented at this time. A similar awards event is planned for June.

Our Junior Football and Hockey teams, coached by *Mr. Will* and *Mr. Barry*, had a great year; they lost only in the finals. Our Senior Basketball team, coached by *Mr. Hill*, had a winning season; they defeated every team in the league except St. Mike's.

In Track & Field *James Stafford* set two T.D.C.A.A. records in the 1500 & 3000 meters, while *Frank Nutzenberger* won his fourth Senior Gymnastics title. Overall, we had no T.D.C.A.A. championships this year but all our teams showed improvement.

STUDENT COUNCIL:

The activities of the Student Council began with the selling of chocolate covered almonds. It was a successful drive, netting close to \$5,000.00. This enabled the council to support many programs for the students.

The work was well planned and well executed. Many dances were held; all of them were successful. This year disc-jockeys provided the music.....loud enough to please everybody.

Noticeable in the council was a sense of working for others. This combined good motivation with fun. The council raised \$2,000.00 for Share Life; \$500.00 to provide Christmas dinners for our North American Indians living in Toronto; \$750.00 for the McCann Family Bursary. These are the major items; but there were many smaller ones.

Other activities included the annual Blood Donor Clinic, the Winter Carnival, many fine sports rallies. The year ended with an exciting election campaign which gave us a new slate of elected officers. During the month of June the two executives (last year's and next year's) will prepare a calendar for the activities of the coming year.

PUBLIC SPEAKING:

The Public Speaking Winners:

SENIOR ELOCUTION:	<i>Tim Montpetit</i>
SENIOR ORIGINAL SPEECH:	<i>Bob O'Brien</i>
INTERMEDIATE ELOCUTION:	<i>Don Robertson</i>
INTERMEDIATE ORIGINAL SPEECH:	<i>John Murphy</i>
JUNIOR ELOCUTION:	<i>Chris Zions</i>
JUNIOR ORIGINAL SPEECH:	<i>Jason Varmazis</i>