

Harbour Views

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Harbour View High School Towards Tomorrow



Duke of Edinburgh gets students working

By Mary-Katherine Shorrock

The Duke of Edinburgh Awards is a program focusing on getting young adults involved in their community. There are three stages: Bronze, Silver and Gold. The program is aimed at youth between the ages of 14-25.

In the fall, the Life Skills class at Harbour View High received their Bronze and Silver Awards at a ceremony at the Delta Brunswick. The students received their awards from the Lieutenant Governor, Mr. Hermenegilde Chaisson.

"The Duke of Edinburgh Awards is a process where students participate in and out of school doing activities that enhance their future," says Mrs. Forbes.

Students who participate in the program do a variety of activities including physical activities such as dancing, walking and sports. The students also took part in



Front: Matthew McKinley, Chris Harvey, Jessie Melanson, Jon McDonald; Back: Lori Hudson, Brenda Forbes, Cathy Driscoll, Rose Constantine

music and art classes as well as learning to speak in front of the class. Some students went on outings including trips to the Rotary camp, Green Hill Camp and staying all night for the Relay of Life.

The Life Skills class is currently working towards achieving their Gold Awards.

"It is a challenging program," says Mrs. Forbes. "The students work to the best of their ability overcoming the every day challenges that they face on a daily basis.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award Programme was established in New Brunswick in 1963 and has produced over 800 Gold Award s.

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February at HVHS

- 9th Middle School Open House
- 9th-13th Celebrate a Hidden Talent
- East West Challenge
- 19th Choral Workshop & Concert at KVHS
- 20th Curriculum Day
- 22nd Support the choir at Rhoda's Flea Market
- 25th Saint John Police Force Visit
- 26th Teacher Talent Show
- Sponsorship Letters for Relay for Life go out

Sports at Harbour View High School

By Rachelle Bastarache

Though all good things have to come to an end, it seems as though our sports teams are doing quite the opposite. With both basketball and hockey seasons heading to playoffs, our school teams are hoping to recapture titles that have been won by our school in previous years.

In both 2007 and 2008, Harbour View's Girls Hockey Team captured the Southern Conference title, which was also won in 2006 by our boys' team. Our basket-

ball teams have come up short in the past few years, but are building every year, and are recognized around the province for their great sportsmanship.

Though the winter months have been long, Vikings continue to

dribble down the court, skate down the ice and cheer from the stands.

We are all hoping that we can expect the same level of commitment from our students in the months to come, as rugby, volleyball and curling all start up.

HARBOUR VIEWS WANTS YOU!

Writers! Columnists! Artists!

We're looking for students interested in academic and extra-curricular activities at Harbour View to work for the paper. Meetings Wednesdays at 12:45.

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AP courses give students an academic head start

By Sarah Reed

A.P or Advanced Placement Program is a program that offers college level courses in high schools across North America. Last year, 510 schools in Canada alone participated in the A.P program.

Harbour View High School offers eight A.P classes: Calculus, Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Psychology, English Literature, French, and European History. Although the classes offered in this program are much more rigorous than the regular high school courses, they are very beneficial for future university students. Catharine Tunney is a perfect example of how a student can benefit from Advanced Placement.

"I'll admit that my immediate reaction after my first AP classes was not warm. What? You mean I'm to work harder in class, study harder at home and then take an extremely hard exam that I might not even pass? I'm out of here! Now, however, sitting in my university dorm room, I can appreciate how gratifying and, I'll admit, fun my AP classes were," says Tunney.

"The AP classes I took helped me pass my exams, but they also gave me a new way of examining things. The AP program is a tool in understanding the academic discourse of critical analysis. These classes shifted the way I think and helped me make sense of the rhetoric and reasoning surrounding intellectual ideas and concepts. The critical thinking skills I learned in high school have helped me cut through the academic jargon heard at university," Tunney explains.

A.P classes are designed to help students get a glimpse of university life. The much smaller class sizes allow students to build relationships with their teachers, and get an in-depth look at the subjects. Students also get a chance to be individual thinkers and build their own opinions on a wide variety of subjects.

"They encouraged us individually and helped us to see our subjects in a new light. They pushed us to think on our own. Under their guidance we turned into active learners, not passive ones. We were pushed to new bounds and encouraged to always be curious. They forever pushed us to question "why" and "how," something I still do at university," says Tunnev.

Students do not only gain skills for university in the A.P program, they also build lasting friendships with the students around them.

"My three AP classes became my favourite parts of the day," says Tunney. "I was able to spend three hours with students who were interested in the same topics I was. It was also interesting to hear a variety of perspectives. The students I was surrounded by helped me continually see different views and hear new opinions."

The Advanced Placement program instils valuable skills in students that allow them to go to university and achieve great heights in their academic careers. It may not be the most stress-free experience, but it is highly rewarding in so many ways. This program truly will make high school and university the best experience of a student's life.

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HONK has an unusual cast of characters

By Rebecca Betts & Jaz Wong

If you hear squawks and squeals from our theatre, don't get your hearing checked. Our spring musical is HONK, a musical adaptation of Hans Christian Anderson's well-known story, "The Ugly Duckling".

"I selected the show on the recommendation of a friend. He proved to be right. It is an excellent show for high school as there are 35 parts. It's a fun show and any time children have a chance to dress up as something else, they love it," says Ms. Bossé-Lenarczyk.

Casting a show like this is harder than you think.

"It took about 3 hours on a snowy afternoon to determine the right fit for the parts. Normally the bigger parts go to the older students as they have more developed voices," explains Ms. Bossé-Lenarczyk.

HONK is sure to be a fun family night out with rollicking humour that will appeal to the younger generation and subtle jokes for the adults, plus the world-class choreography and the show-stopping tunes you always expect from a Harbour View musical.

HONK premieres April 22 with a matinee and will run until the 25th.

"My first reaction to the program was honest, but misguided. I could have not foreseen the immensely rewarding experience I received taking AP classes."

Catharine Tunney graduated from Harbour View High School in 2008 with AP English, French and European History.



Mr. Morgan, HVHS Principal presents Catharine Tunney with her AP Certificate.

Photo by-Mrs. Doucette

TEACHER TALENT SHOW

(goes public!)

Thursday, 26 February, 7:30 pm

Harbour View Auditorium

Tickets are \$5.00 at the door

Questions: see Ms. B-L

WANTED

HVHS is looking for a drum kit and or drum parts like cvmbals

See Mr. Fisher

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Harbour View's Cabaret on the Lake fun for all

By Rachelle Bastarache

Spotlights shone on a few hundred beautifully dressed young ladies and gentlemen at Harbour View High Schools 3rd Annual **Cabaret on the Lake**, which took place at the Lily Lake Pavilion on January 26th. There was plenty of dancing and even a little bit of singing as students took to the dance floor, happy to celebrate the end of the first semester. Eager faces watched the magnificent fireworks display, which was open to the public, and attracted a vivacious crowd. We are all looking forward to next year's cabaret, in hopes that it will be as fun as the last.

Photos clockwise from top left: Fireworks over Lily Lake, Students dancing, Laura Sennett and Jeremy Myshrall, Sarah Paul and Trisha Dignard

Photos by Sarah Paul

Items Needed!

The HVHS Choir is in need of items to sell at Rhoda's Flea Market on Feb 22nd.

See Mr. Molloy

CALLING ALL CHESS PLAYERS

Interested in learning a game that
requires critical thinking
and cunning?

Already know a knight from a rook?

Come play chess.

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Harbour Views meets every Wednesday at 12:45 in the Writing Centre off the Viking

Lounge. Everyone is welcome.

Next issue: March 9.





Fun is egg shaped!

By Nathan Nearing and Mr.Bidgood

Why not come out and play rugby this spring! You will have a great time! Training will be starting soon so get ready for some action. Why play rugby? Here are five great reasons:

- 1. It is a game of variety and tactics. Running, passing, kicking and controlled physical contact all contribute to a game which involves many different skills.
- 2. Rugby has a tremendous tradition of comradeship, teamwork and fair play. Rugby is played all over the world, in over 120 countries and wherever you go rugby players are friendly and fun.
- 3. Everyone has a part to play in rugby, not just one or two of the fifteen players on a team. Anyone can run with the ball, scrimmage, score and tackle. There are advantages to being big and to being small, or being fast or being strong.
- 4. As play is continuous, you need to be fit to play. Getting in shape keeps you healthy, reduces your stress and might make you look good too!
- 5. Rugby is an elegant game. The differing aspects of rugby mean a team needs to be organized, but at the same time show flair and creativity.

Come out and play rugby with the Vikings. Boy or girl, any grade, give it a try. We'd love to see you! See Mr. Bidgood or Ms. Oram to find out how to get involved.

CONGRATULATIONS! REBECCA FLINT

JANUARY'S CO-OP EMPLOYEE of the MONTH

Rebecca works at the Hilton Hotel.

Calling all Grade Eight Students! (and their parents)

Harbour View High School's OPEN HOUSE Monday, February 9 6:30 - 8:30 p. m.

(snow date Thursday, February 12)

Meet in the auditorium for a short presentation followed by a student - guided tour of the school's facilities.

Staff will be on-hand to answer questions.

WHY HARBOUR VIEW?

I love Harbour View High because we are a close-knit community. We have a positive academic and extra-curricular environment with lots of sports, clubs and challenging classes to keep students busy and having fun. - Lexie Nugent

I love Harbour View because of the people in it. The students respect everyone no matter who they are or what they look like. Even students with disabilities are regarded as 'cool'. I have enjoyed Harbour View since the first day. I hope you will, too. - Connor Duffley

I love HVHS because the students and teachers are so much fun to be with. You also have a wide range of courses to choose from, which is exciting. I recommend this school to everyone. If you come to HVHS, you won't regret it. - Eden Daly

I love Harbour View because all the teachers make you feel welcome. They encourage your artistic abilities. They want you to blossom into intelligent young adults. - Josh Bradley

I love Harbour View because it is, hands down, the best High School in Saint John. HVHS has excellent school spirit. The teachers and staff are terrific. They are some of the nicest, most helpful people that you will meet in your life. - Kyle Lanteigne

Writers and Artists Wanted

for a new on-line

Literary Journal

which will debut in the spring.

If you draw or write poetry, short stories, or creative non-fiction...

Visit the Writing Centre on

Tuesdays at 12:50

for more information.

EYE SPY a HIDDEN TALENT

February 9-13

Visit the **Celebrate** website www.district8celebrate.org

and click on the **EYE SPY** guy.

Register someone you want to recognize for a hidden talent.

Have fun and see what good things you and your students unearth about those around you.

(We won the trophy last yearlet's repeat our win this year!) Do you need help with your writing?

Bring your rough copy to

The HVHS

Writing Centre

(located off the Viking Lounge)

Open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

from 8:30-1:30.

Sign up book is available in the library.