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SHORELINE

'Boo-a-palooza' at St. Gregory



SPOOKY TUNE:
Pictured, from left, are
Carter Van Buskirk,
Michael Gadzella,
Jadyn Drew,
and Saanea Huggins
with teacher Mr. Vilella
in the background.

Music, jokes put parents and students in Halloween spirit

St. Gregory Catholic School students from Mrs. Samrah's Grade 4, Mrs. Muldoon's Grade 5, and Ms. Bortolotto's Grade 1/2 classes presented a mixture of Halloween fun during their annual 'Boo-a-palooza' music concert.

Students in Grades 1/2 performed a variety of pieces on the keyboard and sang a selection of Halloween songs.

Mrs. Samrah's performed a selection of Halloween treats on the recorder and Mrs. Muldoon's class played percussion.

Parents and students enjoyed Halloween jokes and music to put them in the Halloween spirit.



The Queen of Peace senior girls soccer team captured the Windsor Essex County District School Board championship 'B' division banner with a title-game win over St. Bernard of Amherstburg. Posing for a team photo are front row — Bianca Mauro, Madison Baptista, Kylie Murracas, Charly Demers, Caitlaine Ribble, Morgan Ingatta, Giola DiCiocco, back row — coach Trisha Clarke, Hope Monaco, Delaney Ribble, Mia DiCiocco, Brenda Aranda Morales, Bryanna Rodriguez, Tori Lamb, Caitlyn Massad and Dea DiCiocco. The team was undefeated in regular season play.

Royals take soccer title

By Bryan Jessop

With the odds against them, the Queen of Peace senior girls soccer team stormed through both the regular season and playoffs to capture the Windsor Essex Catholic District School Board 'B' championship.

Despite representing a school smaller enough to qualify for the 'C' division, the Queen of Peace squad decided to compete in the 'B' category designated for WECDSD schools with larger student populations. With a few Grade 6 students at the senior level, which is normally established for Grade 7 and 8 students, the Royals were also one of the youngest teams to hit the pitch throughout the 2013 season.

Regardless of the obstacles, the team won each of its eight regular season games before embarking on a four-game playoff series. The post-season began with a match against St. Rose of Windsor, which the Royals won 2-1. From there, they advanced to the semifinals for a contest against another unfamiliar Windsor opponent, Christ The King. Queen of Peace shut out their city opposition 2-0 to set up a semifinal match against cross-town rival St. Louis.

The Royals continued their undefeated charge with a 3-1 victory over the Crusaders.

"We were pretty excited about that one, since they're our rivals,"

said Queen of Peace coach and teacher Trisha Clarke.

The victory over their local adversaries vaulted the Royals into the championship game against St. Bernard of Amherstburg at the Vollmer Centre in LaSalle. For the second time in three games, the Queen of Peace girls posted a 2-0 win to capture the 2013 championship banner.

"I'm very proud of them," said Clarke, who coached the team singlehandedly. "I actually got a little emotional at the time."

Ten of the team's 15 players represented the team last season while the other three joined the squad as senior rookies. Team members included Madison Baptista, Charly Demers, Dea DiCiocco, Giola DiCiocco, Mia DiCiocco, Morgan Ingatta, Tori Lamb, Caitlyn Massad, Bianca Mauro, Hope Monaco, Brenda Aranda Morales, Kylie Murracas, Caitlaine Ribble, Delaney Ribble and Bryanna Rodriguez.

Windsor teams were unfamiliar opponents for the Queen of Peace team, as divisions are set up according to a 'family' of schools that included St. Jean Leboeuf of Kingsville and Holy Names of Essex. The girls title was the first in more than a decade for the Royal girls, who have been coached by Clarke for the past eight seasons. The Queen of Peace senior boys won the WECDSD title last year.



Youth Excellence Award - Michael Saad

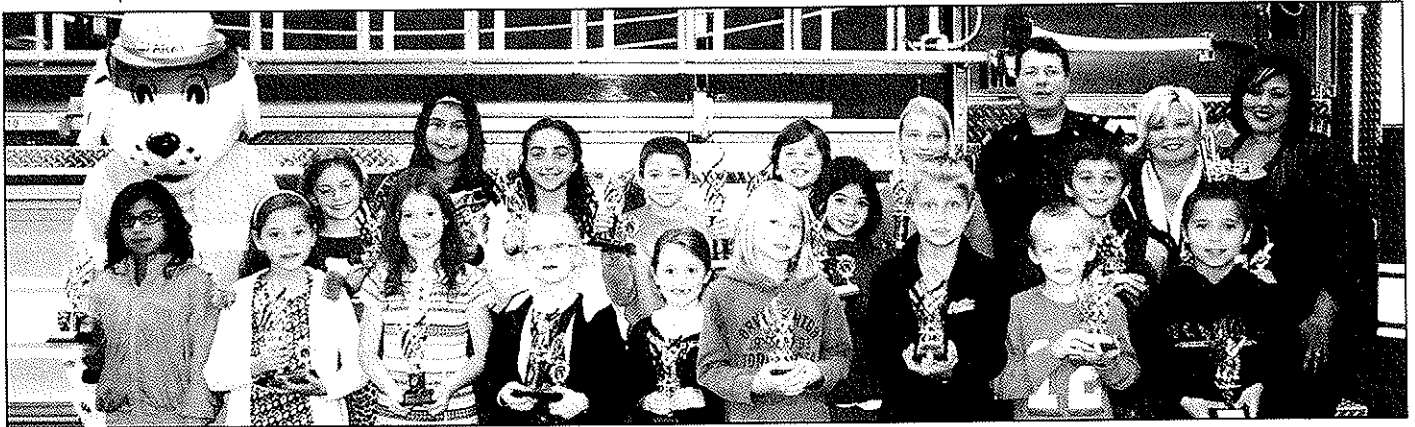
"This is the second year that Scotiabank has sponsored the Youth Excellence Award and we are very honoured to do so. Once again I am so impressed with the caliber of accomplishments of this year's winner, Michael Saad," said Deb Scott, Branch Manager at CIBC.

Michael has logged over 260 hours of community involvement (the minimum requirement is 40 hours). He spends time volunteering in his church, at his old elementary school as a coach and referee and as a tutor. Michael also works with the Heart and Stroke and the Kidney Foundations.

Michael is active in school sports, playing basketball and tennis. In addition he is the Grade 12 Student Council representative at Cardinal Carter Secondary School and he also holds a part time job at Freshco.

These are absolutely phenomenal achievements for anyone and his scholastic achievements are also quite impressive.

AT LEFT: Michael Saad is pictured with presenter Deb Scott, Branch Manager, Leamington CIBC.



Fire Prevention Week Poster contest winners

Pictured here are the first, second and third place poster contest winners in the Learnington Fire Services' 44th annual Fire Prevention Week poster contest, sponsored by Southland Insurance. Trophies and cash prizes were awarded at a special ceremony held at the Learnington Fire Station on Tuesday, October 29. Front row from left to right: Allison Lima Barrios, Gr. 3, 2nd, MD Bennie; Helena Neufeld, Gr. 3, 1st, Queen Elizabeth; Zoey Driedger, Gr. 2, 2nd, Queen Elizabeth; Katelyn Enns, Gr. 1, 1st, East Mersea; Kate Krueger, Gr. 1, 2nd, East Mersea; Cambree Bergen, Gr. 2, 3rd, East Mersea; Jack Tiesen, Gr. 3, 3rd, Mt. Carmel Blytheswood; Jayden Friesen, Gr. 1, 3rd, Mt. Carmel Blytheswood; and Diedrich Penner, Gr. 4, 2nd, MD Bennie. Back row, from left to right: Sparky, Claudia Schmitt, Gr. 5, 3rd, MD Bennie; Yessica Raffoul, Gr. 6, 3rd, St. Louis; Nicole Sleiman, Gr. 6, 2nd, St. Louis; Joel Kress, Gr. 5, 1st, St. Louis; Mitchell DeFrancisco, Gr. 5, 2nd, St. Louis; Kalin Loughheed, Gr. 4, 1st, MD Bennie; Danielle Peters, Gr. 6, 1st, East Mersea; Learnington Fire Service Deputy Chief Mike Ciacelli, Jonathan Ferreira, Gr. 4, 3rd, St. Louis; St. Louis Principal Kelly Rilley and St. Louis Grade 5 teacher Mrs. Pimentel. Absent from the photo was Sam Jones, Gr. 2, 1st, Queen of Peace.



Grade 5 student Joel Kress won the grand prize, best overall poster from the Learnington Fire Services' annual poster contest. Joel is a student at St. Louis School in Learnington where the school championship trophy will be returned for another year. This is the second year that the overall winner also takes home a school trophy and it's also a repeat victory for St. Louis. Pictured here, from left are, Learnington Deputy Chief and Training Officer Mike Ciacelli, Sparky, Joel's teacher Mrs. Pimentel and St. Louis Principal Kelly Rilley.

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St. Louis Captures Soccer Championship

The St. Louis Catholic Elementary School boys soccer team traveled to the Vollmer Complex in LaSalle to play St. Bernard in the WECDSB "B" Division championship. The St. Louis boys defeated St. Bernard by a score of 6-2. Team members, front row left to right: Michael Oliveira, Mark Jralche, Donovan Longo. Middle row: Trevor Dyck, Joseph Alfano, Derek Antunes, Giovanni Salan, Tiago Maurício, Austin Paparola, Michael Fratarcangeli. Back row: Coach Mrs. Amicone, Joel Carapau, Dan Abdulahad, Cameron Taouil, Alejandro Salan, Solomon Sleiman, Aiden Rodrigues, Coach Mr. Murracas. Absent from photo: Matthew Carvalho. Congratulations, boys, on a very successful season.

Junior Cougars thump TVA

By Bryan Jessop

And now they wait.

The Cardinal Carter junior football team wrapped up its regular season with a 48-6 victory against Tecumseh Vista Academy, finishing with a 6-1-0 record. The second-place finish in the WECSSAA's easterly Miller Division grants the Cardinals a bye into the quarterfinals along with first-place Herman and the Janisse leaders Holy Names and General Amherst.

The Tuesday, Oct. 29 game was controlled mostly by the hosting Cougars, who started the scoring with a touchdown run from the midfield area by Daniel Metcalfe. The Vortex threatened to even the score with a drive that reached well into Cardinal Carter territory before James Saba intercepted a pass on his team's 18-yard line. Wilmer Jiminez ran in his first of four majors on the game from his own 16-yard line, followed by a bad snap that thwarted the PAT attempt.

The Cougars added to their lead when quarterback Cody Rankin found Jiminez in the end zone with a pass from the TVA 19-yard line. Kiefer Simpson was successful in all following PAT kicks, going six for seven through the contest.

The Vortex ran their only scoring play of the game on the ensuing Cardinal Carter kick off, with one of its kick return team players sprinting along the sideline nearly untouched all the way into the end zone. A faulty snap kept the guests' at six points for the final play of the action-packed first quarter.

Metcalfe ran through multiple would-be tacklers for his second touchdown run of the game to give the hosts a 27-6 lead. McKenzie Butler widened the margin further after catching a Tecumseh pass and sprinting into the Vortex end of the field. Jiminez added his third major of the half after taking a Rankin handoff and running the ball in for another touchdown from midfield.

With a comfortable 41-6 advantage, Cardinal Carter sent its second-string players onto the field for the third and fourth quarters. Despite their lack of game-time experience, the field full of mostly backups outscored the opposition's starters 7-0. The TVA offense again pushed its way into striking distance for a touchdown, but were intercepted by

Connor Ribble at the Cardinal Carter 17-yard line to put an end to the drive.

The half's only scoring play came during a Vortex third-down punt. The Cougars' defensive line blocked the kick, giving Jiminez the opportunity to snatch the deflected ball before it hit the ground and carry it in for his team's seventh and final touchdown.

"It was a little sloppy, but that's expected," said Cougars coach Mark Renaud of his team's second-half performance. "It was a good experience for them."

With the regular season's conclusion, the Cougars joined the Nobles in a one-day wait to discover who Belle River would play in the preliminary round of playoffs. With the Miller's sixth-place Nobles to play the third place Janisse team, Belle River had to wait 24 hours to find out that they would be travelling to Massey for this week's game. The Janisse regular season ended Wednesday, Oct. 30 with Sandwich and Massey playing their final regular season matches while sporting identical 3-3-0 records. Massey defeated St. Joseph's while Sandwich was upset by Kennedy to finish their regular seasons.

Cardinal Carter will host the winner of the Belle River/Massey game Tuesday, Oct. 12 at 3 p.m. in quarterfinal action. If the Cougars win, they will advance to the semis to face the winner of the Holy Names vs. L'Essor/Catholic Central match. This game would be hosted by Cardinal Carter if L'Essor/Catholic Central wins. If both Cardinal Carter and Holy Names win their quarterfinal games, the semis would be hosted by Holy Names, also at 3 p.m.



Cody Rankin of the Cougars hauls down a Tecumseh Vista Academy ball carrier during the fourth quarter of a WECSSAA junior boys Miller Division game at Cardinal Carter Tuesday, Oct. 29.



Daniel Metcalfe strong arms a would-be Tecumseh Vista Academy tackler en route to his first of two touchdowns in a WECSSAA junior Miller Division game at Cardinal Carter Tuesday, Oct. 29. The Cougars won the last regular-season game 48-6.

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Senior Cougars advance to semis

By Bryan Jessop

The Cardinal Carter senior football team survived a Halloween scare in the quarterfinal round.

The Cougars trailed the Villanova Wildcats 3-0 with about eight minutes remaining in the final quarter before Matteo Del Barrocco led the winning play via a touchdown sprint en route to a 17-3 final score. Cardinal Carter defeated the same team 35-3 a week prior, but had trouble solving their guests' defensive stand through most of the quarterfinal contest.

"We don't like the wet weather that much offensively, although the defense likes it," said Cougars coach Chris Church with a chuckle. "The whole season has been about defense."

The first quarter was mostly uneventful, with the Cougars missing two field goal attempts. Neither team was able to mount a serious offensive drive through most of the first half, although the Wildcats made one touchdown threat that ended with a fumble recovered by the hosts early in the second quarter.

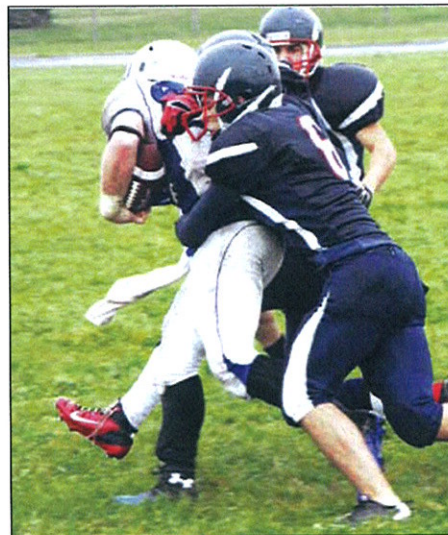
The only scoring play of the first 24 minutes was a Villanova field goal booted about halfway through the second quarter.

The third quarter was equally unproductive for both teams, reaching a high point in tension when a Cougars' offensive play that appeared lengthy enough for a first down was declared short and instead marked as a third down. Villanova briefly appeared to have a stranglehold on the Cougars when a punt was returned for a touchdown. The play was called back however, as the Wildcats were penalized for roughing the kicker.

Cardinal Carter's offense advanced as far as the Wildcats' four-yard line shortly afterwards, but were pushed back to the point where they opted for a field goal attempt. The kick went wide of the uprights, but travelled through the end zone to make the score 3-1.

Matteo Del Barrocco later caught an Andrew Valle pass and broke two tackles — including a horse collar that drew a flag — on his way to the game's first touchdown. The extra point attempt was successful, giving the Cougars an 8-3 lead.

Cardinal Carter put the game away with a Chris Tannous charge into the Villanova end zone for a 15-3 advantage.



Austin Bento of the Cougars tackles a Villanova running back during a WECSSAA senior football first round playoff game Thursday, Oct. 31 at Cardinal Carter. The Cougars defeated the Wildcats for the second week in a row to advance to the next round against Herman.

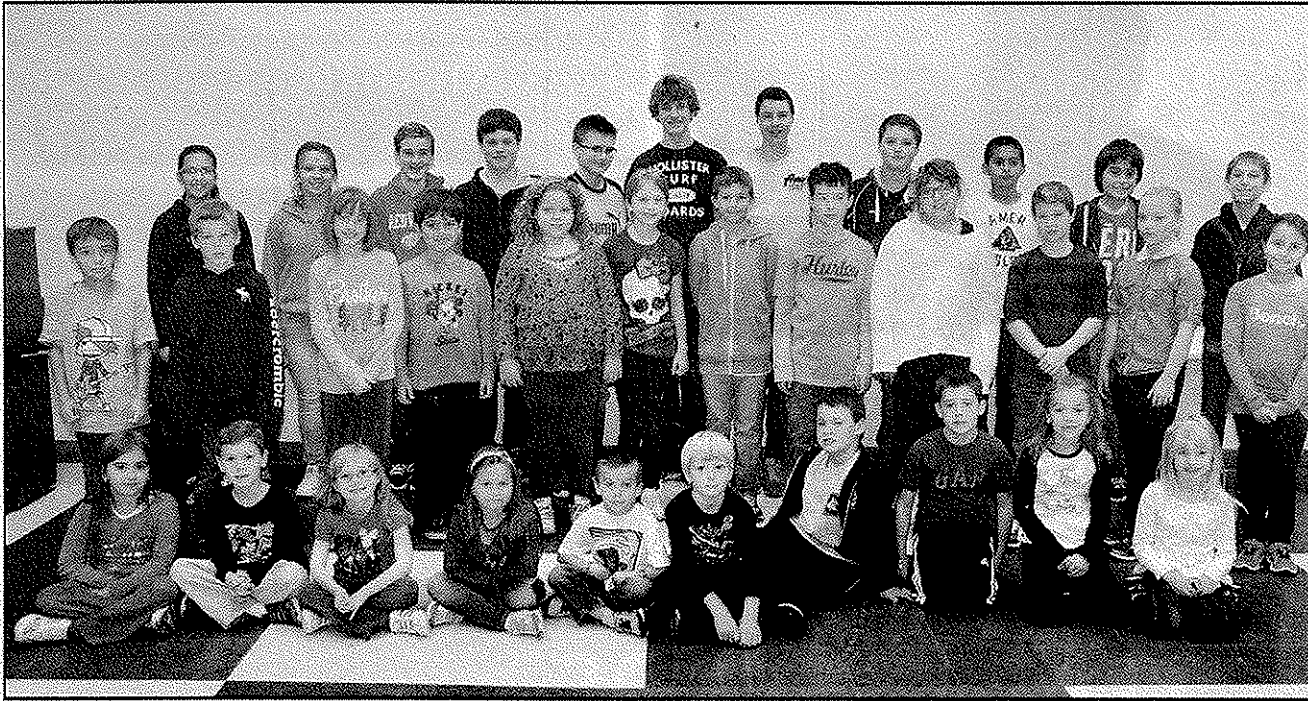
The Wildcats drew a penalty on the play to allow a kick-off from their own 40-yard line, granting the hosts another point as the ball was again booted through the end zone.

Jacob Benson recovered a Villanova fumble to again bring the Cougars within striking distance, leading to another one-point kick to finish the scoring.

"We can't play like we did in the past two games, that's for sure," Church said of his team's upcoming Nov. 8 semifinal game against Herman. "We have to play four solid quarters of football to win that game. If we make mistakes, they will capitalize. That's how they beat teams — they line up and wait for you to make mistakes. And they're fast."

During the regular season, Herman's only loss was a 34-7 decision to Holy Names in their divisional crossover game. The Cougars' only loss was also to Holy Names in a 31-0 score. Herman and Cardinal Carter will meet in the semis at University of Windsor Stadium for a 7:30 p.m. start on Friday, Nov. 8.

St. John de Brebeuf Students of the Month



Pictured above are the St. John de Brebeuf Students of the Month for October. The theme was 'Peacemakers'. They include Kaitlyn Rhea, Roman Filangeri, Alex Kostwinder, Jaelyn Parsons, Sophia Funkenhauser, Kendra Hyde, Nevan Branco, Remy Pieper, Dylan Stockton, Jasmine Dunn, A.J. Dickinson, Mia Stanley, Ashton Jeffrey, Taylor Ingratta, Emma Leciago, Calvin Gaffan, Xander Mastronardi, Cyra Caixeiro, Darren Gates, Lexi Mastronardi, Lauren Lafleur, Lucas Fratarcangeli, Joe Bedard, Evan Brown, Abby DiLaudo, Franco Shaften, Mitchell Renaud, Ally Sands, Austin Marr, Sawyer Desmarais, Jordyn Lewis, Carter Janisse, Hanna Boutros, Josh Hernandez, Cameron Little, Caroline Bemben, Cailin Mucci and Emily Leili.

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Eagles soccer team wins title Team reaches final at Board level



The St. John de Brebeuf boys' soccer team won the KDHS Feeder School tournament this year. They were runner-up at the Cardinal Carter tournament, and lost a tough final at the Board level. Pictured above, team members include (back row, left to right) Coach Mrs. Stenger, Sawyer Desmarais, Carter Mastronardi, Carter Janisse, Jordyn Lewis, Matthew McGregor, Nathan Medel, Coach Mrs. Lariviere, (middle row) Steve Debergh, Austin Algra, Colin Fratarcangeli, Nico Gualtieri, Clayton Stephens, Sebastia Del Brocco, (front row) Tiago Balteiro, Josh Hernandez, Connor Bernardes, Luc Quenneville, Franco Shaften and Robbie Brush.