



Voice of the Vaughan Voyageurs

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Principal

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Highlights

HARVEY has finally Arrived!!!!

April 28 – 30,

7:30 p.m.

Admission:

VSS Presents the Hit Broadway Comedy Harvey

by Mary Chase

\$8.00 students with student card & children

\$10.00 adults

April 27:

John Moore and Chris Andrews from the MIX 99.9

will be speaking to Technology Students

May:

Grade 8 Students visiting Vaughan S.S. to tour, visit

classes, and attend Q&A session with VSS

ambassadors

May 7:

Annual Cardinal Cup Golf Tournament for Jr. & Sr.

Boys and Varsity Girls – interested students should

see Ms. Zaremsky in Room 219

May 8:

Cybernetic Landwalker Challenge at D.A. Morrison

Jr. High School, Toronto

Tues. & Thurs.:

Girls Basketball Practice

6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Game

Tues., Thurs. & Fri.

Tech. Club – Cybernetic Landwalker

3:30 p.m.

Challenge

A message from the Principal, Mr. Joseph Ravesi

Power Outage at VSS

Vaughan Secondary School experienced an electrical power outage due to a component failure in our main distribution panel. From approximately 1:50 p.m. on Sunday, April 25th, 2004, to 9:00 p.m. on Monday, April 26th, 2004, VSS was without total power.

As a result of this power outage, our students were sent home and teachers and support staff were re-deployed to other YRDSB schools and sites for the remainder of the day. Classes resumed on the morning of Tuesday, April 27th, 2004

Parents, students, teachers, support staff, and Board Officials are to be commended for their superb support and cooperation as we dealt with this power outage.

Current Events

Harvey

Vaughan S.S.'s 2004 spring drama production is Harvey, a hit Broadway comedy by Mary Chase. The cast has been working hard since November and a delightful, entertaining evening awaits all who come to see the play. Harvey, a six-and-a-half-foot imaginary white rabbit, befriends Elwood P. Dowd. When Elwood introduces Harvey to guests at a society party, his sister, Veta, has seen as much of his eccentric behaviour as she can tolerate. Drastic steps must be taken.

Be sure to obtain your tickets for the play to find out what happens next.

Call Ms Weismiller at (905) 660-1397 ext. 325 to reserve tickets.

Academic Excellence

Andrew Chung has been awarded the Chancellor's Scholarship from Queen's University.

Eli Miller has been awarded a scholarship from Wendy's.

Daniel Rubinstein has been awarded a National Scholarship from the University of Toronto. He is also a semi-finalist for the Canadian Merit Scholarship.

These scholarships are over and above the entrance scholarships our top students will receive with their acceptances.

Congratulations to Andrew, Eli and Daniel!

From the Computer Department

VSS Computer Department is proud to announce that two of our students, Vincent Lee and Bumkue Kang, are among the 22 students invited to compete in Stage II of the Canadian Computing Contest. The top 22 are chosen from the thousands that take the Canadian Computing Contest as set by the University of Waterloo.

The Canadian Team for the IOI (International Olympiad for Informatics) will be selected from the participants in this event. This year the Programming Olympiad will take place in Athens, Greece in September 2004.

Both of the students will be attending Stage II of the contest at the University of Waterloo from May 4th to May 8th. Good luck to them!

Congratulations to all VSS students who participated in Stage I of the Canadian Computing Contest.

From the Co-op Department

Zack Teperman, using his own resources, landed a position at the radio station The Fan 590 as a co-operative education student. Experience at his school's radio program, RAV FM, along with a dynamic personality and drive, gave Zack the edge needed to "wow" the powers that be at The Fan. Zack was offered a job at The Fan for next summer because of the work he has done.



Zack and Doug Farraway, Sports Director at The Fan 590.

From the Guidance Department

On Saturday, April 17th, ten members of the Student Volunteer Association accompanied by John Malloy spent the morning preparing and serving food at the Scott Mission. This is our fourth visit this school year. We have booked dates to return next year, and hope to involve more students in the future. Thanks to Zeenat Sultanzada, a Grade 12 student, for organizing and coordinating our visits this year.

From the Phys Ed Department

Our own Vladimir Kovalevsky, a player on the under-18 Provincial Basketball Team, will compete in the 2004 Summer Games. Vladimir also played on the starting line for the team in Michigan this past April 17/18 weekend against top U.S. teams. Congratulations Vlad!

From Westminster Public School

To see flyer, click below...

[From Westminster Public School](#)
[Attention: W.P.S. Graduates!](#)

Our 90.7 RAV-FM students will be live on location, covering the event on the radio.

Character Matters e-Newsbrief

Once again, we welcome all parents to view past and current issues of a brand new e-brief published by Character Matters of the YRDSB on behalf of character educators across Ontario. At the site <http://yrhc.on.ca/charactermatters/attribute/>, you will also be able to subscribe to this bi-weekly publication. We encourage you to make a contributory story if you so wish. Please feel free to share this website with others.

Upcoming Events

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| April 24 – 30: | DECA National Career Conference, Nashville |
| April 27: | CIC Chemistry Exam |
| April 28 – 30: | School Play <u>Harvey</u> |
| April 28: | OSAID Motivational Assembly |
| April 29: | U of T Biology Contest |
| April 29: | Mid-Semester Reports |
| May 5 – 11: | Advanced Placement Exams |
| May 6 – 13: | Science Contests in Physics, Chemistry and Biology |

May 7:	Math & Physics Day at Canada's Wonderland
May 12:	Waterloo Exam for Grade 12 Chemistry
May 13:	Springtime Serenade
May 21:	York U Science Olympics
May 24:	Victoria Day
May 27:	Prom
May 26 – June 13:	Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics
June 1:	Music Banquet
June 3:	Athletic Banquet
June 16 – 22:	Evaluation Days
June 23:	Exam Review Instructional Day
June 24, 25:	Professional Activity Days

Initiative Quote:

“Success seems to be connected with action. Successful people keep moving. They make mistakes, but they don't quit.”

- Conrad Hilton, *Hilton Hotels*

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