

## E. L. CROSSLEY BLOG NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2010

### FOR THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT :

The Music department did six parades before Christmas travelling around the Niagara Region and performing in parades in Niagara-on-the-Lake, Pelham, St Catharines, and Wainfleet. They also played in Toronto Rogers Centre performing in front of thousands of people. They represented Crossley with class. This is a Great Marching Band!

### THE SCHOOL CHOIR IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

The Crossley Choir had the honour of performing at the inaugurations of the Wainfleet and Pelham town councils. They performed the national anthem and represented Crossley with class.

### FROM THE COMMUNITY LEARNING CLASS

In the past two months the class has had two special trips. The first was to the Titanic exhibition in Kitchener where they had a great experience. The second trip was to Niagara Falls to see Team Canada practice before the World Junior Tournament. Mr. A., Mr. Lundy and Mrs. Begin said that it was a trip of a life time.

### FROM THE CHESS TEAM

On December 2, 2010 Crossley hosted an invitational tournament and we took the top ten places in the tournament. Coach Hughes was very ecstatic about the accomplishment.

### THE GIRLS BASKETBALL

The girls had a great year and went to OFSAA where they finished in fifth place. They lost to the team that won the OFSAA final game by twelve points. Coach Stechyshyn said that it was a great showing at OFSAA and that it was a pleasure to coach the team.

### FROM THE ROWING TEAM

E. L. Crossley's students, staff and community voted for the Aviva Community Fund and a chance to win a grant worth \$ 98,000.00 If we win, the money would go to buying an extra boat for the rowing team. There are 10 finalists in our category to win the competition and the results will be announced on January, 25, 2011. For more information please go to the website [www.avivacommunityfund.com](http://www.avivacommunityfund.com) and you also can look for more information on my blog Rhys Evans.

### FROM MR. DOUCET

On December 23, 2010, Mr. Doucet and the Grade 12 French class went around the school to classes and sang Christmas Carols in French. The group had a lot of fun.

### E.LC.S.S. STUDENTS ARE VERY PROUD TO HELP FAMILIES IN THE COMMUNITY

This year Crossley adopted 30 families to help out at Christmas time. Each Period 1 class was given a family to gather food and gifts for them. This happened over a three week period in December. All the food and gifts were collected in the cafeteria for staff and students to deliver to the Salvation Army. The money that was earned selling for suckers at lunch (\$ 375.00) helped to buy turkeys for the families.

#### FROM STUDENT COUNCIL

E. L. Crossley held a Semi-formal at Club Castropignano on December 17, 2010. Crossley students and their guests attended, dinner was served and then the music played! The students enjoyed everyone's company and had a night to remember.

#### AWARDS ASSEMBLY

An Awards Assembly was held in December to celebrate the good things that have been going on at Crossley so far this year. Mr. Goerzen said that he was very proud of the student body.

Another thing that happens at E. L. is that our grads come back to tell the staff how they're doing and catch up with old friends. People new to the area hear all the good things about our school; including our academics and how our students have fun with extracurricular activities.

Submitted by  
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