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*“Middle age is the time a guy starts turning out lights for economic reasons rather than romantic reasons.”*

John Marino

## Where Are We Now?

LPSS alumni can be found around the world. Approximately one-third of the alumni who are on the distribution list for *LPSS Matters* have provided information on where they live.

Using this small sample, the majority of LPSS grads have stayed near home. 83% have remained in Canada. 71% of the total are in Ontario. 54% of all alumni on the distribution list live in the Toronto - Hamilton corridor.

10% live in the U.S.A., and the remaining 9% are spread throughout the world. 2% in Great Britain, 1% in Australia, 1% in the United Arab Emirates, and the balance in a variety of countries ranging from South Africa to Japan to Bosnia & Herzegovina.

**Let's get a better profile of ourselves. Send an e-mail to [LPSSMatters@aol.com](mailto:LPSSMatters@aol.com) and let us know what city/province/country you live in. Results will be reported in a future issue of *LPSS Matters*.**

Percentages of Total Number on *LPSS Matters* Distribution List (also see [www.LPSSMatters.com](http://www.LPSSMatters.com))

Australia	1.3%		
Bosnia & Herz.	0.3%		
Canada	83%		
		AB	2.8%
		BC	6.4%
		MB	1.1%
		NB	0.6%
		NS	1.1%
		ON	71.3%
		SK	0.3%
Denmark	0.3%		
England	2.0%		
France	0.3%		
Holland	0.6%		
Japan	0.3%		
South Africa	0.3%		
Spain	0.3%		
Sweden	0.3%		
Switzerland	0.3%		
United Arab Em.	0.8%		
U.S.A.	9.6%		

### WE NEED MORE ALUMNI!!!!

Let's assume an average of 200 students per year have graduated from LPSS since its doors were opened in 1957. That means there might be somewhere in the neighbourhood of 8,000-10,000 alumni. Our distribution list for *LPSS Matters* has just over 1,000 names on it, meaning we have a long way to go. Can you help round up grads? Please email two people who attended LPSS who are not on the distribution list. Brothers, sisters, parents, children, friends, enemies....there must be somebody out there!

### LPSS MEMORABILIA

Several alumni have expressed interest in purchasing LPSS artifacts. T-shirts, sweatshirts, mugs, etc. These are NOT available on a regular basis. We will be connecting with next year's student council to register our interest in such items.

### E-Mail Addresses

Please keep *LPSS Matters* updated with your current e-mail address. If you have a second address, send it to us at [LPSSMatters@aol.com](mailto:LPSSMatters@aol.com) so we can contact you if the primary e-mail address doesn't work.

### LPSS Matters Distribution List

Make sure we have your year of graduation. Several alumni receiving *LPSS Matters* are not shown on the distribution list on our alumni website because we don't know what year you graduated. Check the distribution list ([www.LPSSMatters.com](http://www.LPSSMatters.com)) to see if your name is listed under the year you graduated. If you're not there, send us an e-mail at [LPSSMatters@aol.com](mailto:LPSSMatters@aol.com) telling us what year you graduated, name at graduation, name now and what city/province/state/country you live in.

*(copy provided by Dana-Leigh Tisdale ('71))*

IF I KNEW

If I knew it would be the last time  
That I'd see you fall asleep,  
I would tuck you in more tightly  
and pray the Lord, your soul to keep.

If I knew it would be the last time  
that I see you walk out the door,  
I would give you a hug and kiss  
and call you back for one more.

If I knew it would be the last time  
I'd hear your voice lifted up in praise,  
I would video tape each action and word,  
so I could play them back day after day.

If I knew it would be the last time,  
I could spare an extra minute  
to stop and say "I love you,"  
instead of assuming you would KNOW I do.

If I knew it would be the last time  
I would be there to share your day,  
Well I'm sure you'll have so many more,  
so I can let just this one slip away.

For surely there's always tomorrow  
to make up for an oversight,  
and we always get a second chance  
to make everything just right.

There will always be another day  
to say "I love you,"  
And certainly there's another chance  
to say our "Anything I can do?"

But just in case I might be wrong,  
and today is all I get,  
I'd like to say how much I love you  
and I hope we never forget.

Tomorrow is not promised to anyone,  
young or old alike,  
And today may be the last chance  
you get to hold your loved one tight.

So if you're waiting for tomorrow,  
why not do it today?  
For if tomorrow never comes,  
you'll surely regret the day,

That you didn't take that extra time  
for a smile, a hug, or a kiss  
and you were too busy to grant someone,  
what turned out to be their one last wish.

So hold your loved ones close today  
And whisper in their ear,  
Tell them how much you love them  
And that you'll always hold them dear

Take time to say "I'm sorry,"  
"Please forgive me," "Thank you," or "It's okay."  
And if tomorrow never comes,  
you'll have no regrets about today.

*Things are going to get  
a lot worse before they  
get worse.*

Lily Tomlin

*A male gynecologist is  
like an auto mechanic  
who never owned a car.*

Carrie Snow

*"You never know when  
you're making a  
memory."*

Rickie Lee Jones

*"One thought driven  
home is better than  
three left on base."*

James Liler

Subject: Rules to Live By (Jim Dickson '62)

Whether you like Bill Gates or not...this is pretty cool. Here's some advice Bill Gates recently dished out at a high school speech about 11 things he did not learn in school. He talks about how feel-good, politically correct teaching has created a full generation of kids with no concept of reality and how this concept sets them up for failure in the real world.

RULE 1 - Life is not fair - get used to it.

RULE 2 - The world won't care about your self-esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something BEFORE you feel good about yourself.

RULE 3 - You will NOT make 40 thousand dollars a year right out of high school. You won't be a vice president with car phone, until you earn both.

RULE 4 - If you think your teacher is tough, wait till you get a boss. He doesn't have tenure.

RULE 5 - Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your grandparents had a different word for burger flipping they called it Opportunity.

RULE 6 - If you mess up, it's not your parents' fault, so don't whine about your mistakes, learn from them.

RULE 7 - Before you were born, your parents weren't as boring as they are now. They got that way from paying your bills, cleaning your clothes and listening to you talk about how cool you are. So before you save the rain forest from the parasites of your parent's generation, try delousing the closet in your own room.

RULE 8 - Your school may have done away with winners and losers, but life has not. In some schools they have abolished failing grades and they'll give (cont. next page)

## “Into the Unknown” — Lynn Jenkins (Stevenson) ('71)

I am often asked about Guardian Angels. Do they really exist? How do we know when they are around? Are they a family member who has passed away? The following is a story that was related to me during one of my trips to Nashville, TN. This story takes place somewhere in Mississippi...

It was October 27, 1996 and Judy was attending her high school homecoming dance. Because some of Judy's friends lived in the country, the only way they were

able to go was picked and them after dance. quarter gas left truck



Judy's mom gave her the money to make sure there was enough gas to get her home again. Everybody was running late that night! Surely a quarter tank would be enough, besides, she could always put more gas in the truck after the dance.

By the time the dance was over and Judy had dropped off the last of her friends, it was getting quite late. She was not used to night driving and as a result, took a wrong turn and got lost. The gas gage was near empty and Judy

had no idea where she was. She had left her money crunched up in a ball at her friend's house. Judy pulled off the highway at first county road she came to hoping to find a house where she could use a phone to call home for help.

After a while, she finally came to a country store, it was closed but there was a phone outside. Thank God, she could now call for help. However, to her dismay, the phone was dead! She had no choice but to keep on driving. It wasn't long before another store came into sight - and this one was open but once again, the phone was dead.

Crying out loud, "Oh, mama, what am I going to do?" She prayed for help. As she looked up she saw a man coming out of the store. He was dressed in a cowboy hat, a brown/beige looking cowboy suite, which appeared to have some gold threads in the suit coat and a pair of cowboy boots. He was a tall, slim man and had the softest voice she had ever heard. Judy was still crying when he asked her what was wrong and she told him her story.

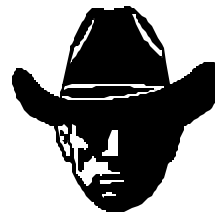
"I'll help a pretty little lady anytime" he replied, and with that, took out his wallet and handed her some money. He then proceeded to give her directions for home and helped put gas in her truck. He said that she should go straight home, as it was dangerous for a pretty little lady to be out that late at night. He

then disappear-ed as suddenly as he had appeared. When Judy went into the store to pay for her gas she asked about the man in the cowboy hat. No one in the store knew what she was talking about. She shrugged her shoulders in puzzlement and then drove straight home.

A few nights later, Judy's mom asked her if she had encountered any problems on homecoming night. "I was standing in the kitchen at the back of the house when I heard some one call 'mama'. I went to the front of the house but no one was there. I started to worry and prayed to God that He send an angel to keep you safe from harm.

Judy then went on to explained to her mom what happened that night. Neither one of them could figure out who this 'guardian angel' had been.

A few weeks later, Judy and her mom were flipping through a country magazine when suddenly, there in front of her was a picture of the man who had come to her rescue! The only problem was, this man had been dead for many years, it didn't make much sense but there he was - Hank Williams Sr.! Hank's spirit had indeed come to her rescue that night when she needed a guardian angel.



### Rules to Live By (cont.)

you as many times as you want to get the right answer. This doesn't bear the slightest resemblance to ANYTHING in real life.

RULE 9 - Life is not divided into semesters. You don't get summers off and very few employers are interested in helping you find yourself. Do that on your own time.

RULE 10 - Television is NOT real life. In real life people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs.

RULE 11 - Be nice to nerds. Chances are you'll end up working for one.

### REUNION—1957-2002

Details: Dinner & Dance Reunion  
 Organizer: Gayle Thomas ('67) - (416) 259-8486  
 When: Oct. 5, 2002  
 Where: St. John's Hall, 2185 Stavebank Rd., Miss.  
 Time: Doors open 5:30 pm; buffet dinner will be available all evening starting at 6:00  
 Refreshments: Cash bar  
 Dress: Semi-formal  
 Cost: \$25/person  
 Tickets: At Natty's Bar & Grill, 169 Lakeshore Rd. W. or 1185 Dundas St. E.  
 Hotels: Ramada Hotel (Hwy 427 and Burnamthorpe); Holiday Inn (2125 North Sheridan Way, Mississauga)  
 More info: [www.LPSSMatters.com](http://www.LPSSMatters.com)

## We Remember...

Dear Dana-Leigh; (1970-1974 Correspondent)

Hi. I was in your class for the 5 years at LPSS. I'm not sure if you will remember me. I didn't live that far from you in Clarkson and don't live that far away now. I'm in St. Albert, a suburb of Edmonton. I'm writing to let you know that Debbie Masoure passed away July 2001. Debbie & I knew of each other in high school, though we never hung out. When we both found ourselves new to the Edmonton area, both expecting our first babies, our mothers made sure we got in contact with each other. From 1980 on, Debbie & I were close friends. She & her husband Tom and their daughter Carol Ann returned to Oakville to live in 1999. Debbie died of cancer 2 years later. Perhaps you can include Debbie in your next We Remember....

It's interesting to read about how people are doing & the newsletter has me calling up old friends as it brings back memories. Thank you for volunteering to represent our year!

Marilyn Kelly (Barr) ('71)

My mother, Mrs. Kathleen "Kay" Allen, was a staff member at LPSS in the early 80's. Kay was a secretary in the front office and the guidance office. She passed away on April 18th of this year.

Gail Allen-Cyr ('76)

What happened to Lloyd Mumford? He seems to have disappeared from all local school records, both with the Peel School Board and LPSS. It seems that he spent his retirement years right here in Mississauga! It has been also learned that he passed away in 2001.

Jim Dickson ('62)



I just wanted to add a friend to your "We Remember" column. Amie Stoddart, graduated 1999, died 2000.

Thanks.

Jill Barnes ('99)

A man is flying in a hot air balloon and realizes he is lost. He reduces height and spots a man down below. He lowers the balloon further and shouts, "Excuse me, can you help me? I promised my friend I would meet him half an hour ago, but I don't know where I am."

The man below says, "Yes. You are in a hot air balloon, hovering approximately 30 feet above this field. You are between 40 and 42 degrees North latitude, and between 58 and 60 degrees West longitude."

"You must be an engineer," says the balloonist. "I am," replies the man. "How did you know?"

"Well," says the balloonist, "everything you have told me is technically correct, but I have no idea what to make of your information, and the fact is I am still lost."

The man below says, "You must be a manager."

"I am," replies the balloonist, "but how did you know?"

"Well," says the man, "you don't know where you are or where you are going. You have made a promise which you have no idea how to keep, and you expect me to solve your problem. The fact is you are in the exact same position you were in before we met, but now it is somehow my fault."

## Alumni Advice—Keeping Your Pet Amused (Doug Greer ('66))

Last issue I wrote about the importance of grooming for both you and your pet. Since the response to my article was enlightening, I will contribute to the newsletter occasionally. The subject for this issue – KEEPING YOUR DOG AMUSED.

Off to work you go every day – what is your best friend going to do with him/herself for the long hours ahead? Should I just pop poopsy into a crate – put doggy gates on the kitchen doors – build a doggy room in the basement – or just chain him up in the back yard? Not a great picture from the puppy's point of view (as explained to me by several canine friends) - yes I do speak dog. We all know the basics – fresh water, some toys to play with and chew on, and maybe a little snack. Sounds boring. You can reduce separation anxiety by giving your home-alone dog something to do while you're away. Leave toys to be found, or turn the T.V. on to one of those doggy information channels or something else puppy will enjoy - a doggy biscuit cooking show maybe

If you can give the animal a place to enjoy, you just might have less mess to clean up before dinner. Depending on how long you are away some elimination space may have to be found. How long will you be away? An adult animal can usually hold on for a maximum of eight hours, and a puppy about four. If you must stay away from home on a daily basis perhaps doggy day care is a viable alternative.

Clip Joint has teamed up with For Pets Sake and can now provide full pet services. Unfortunately there did not seem to be another LPSS alumnus available to fulfill the daily visits, which include dog walks, timed feedings and live-in services while you are away on vacation or business trips. After an extensive search I found Shae and Dallas Janssen, Erindale Secondary School alumni. Their experience in this field is extensive, Shae having worked in animal care with the Oakville Humane Society for many years.

Another little bit of information I

should pass on at this time is information on deadly houseplants. Here are some to watch out for - CALADIUM (a.k.a. Angel Wings), SPIDER PLANT, DIEFFENBACHIA, DRAGON TREE, ENGLISH HOLLY, DAFFODIL, SNOWHEAD, FOXGLOVE, POINTSETTIA, AIRPLANT and HYACINTH. To follow regular household plants, here is a list of natural growing plants that are also toxic – FOXGLOVE, OAK, RED MAPLE, THORNE APPLE, WATER HEMLOCK, SKUNK CABBAGE, MILKWEED and BLUEBONNET. Symptoms of poisoning include excessive salivation, intense pain, diarrhea, vomiting, gastrointestinal disorders and even death. These lists are not intended to create a panic situation or encourage the discarding of plants. They are simply to increase awareness of possible toxicities.

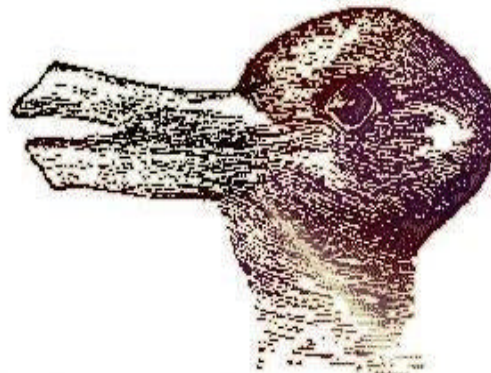
Wishing you and your pets a safe and fun summer.

CLIP JOINT – certified professional groomer stylist DOUG GREER. (905) 823-6104.

### Alumni Happenings – David Crouse ('65)

Recent Lorne Park graduate Natasha Mytnowych has written and is directing "velo city", a play that is to be presented at the Toronto Fringe festival. She, along with former Lorne Park students Erin Crouse, Kimberley McClean and Sarah Weaver have formed GoodeE Productions, already a multi-award winning production company. The play, which stars almost all Lorne Park graduates runs July 5 at 6:30, 6th at 11:30, 7th at 7:00, 10th at 5:00, 11th at 8:30, 12th at 2:30 and 14th at 5:30 (all times P.M.) at the Helen Gardner Phelan Playhouse 79a, St. George St.

If interested please contact Kimberley McClean at (905) 823-1157.



**A Rabbit.... Or A Duck?**

**hint: the duck is looking left, the rabbit is looking right**

LETTERS

Here's something I put together from a couple of the old yearbooks.

Jim Dickson ('62)

Lloyd Mumford  
Principal, Lorne Park Secondary  
School 1957-----

[Excerpted from *The Perspective,*  
the 1957 yearbook of LPSS]

Mr. Mumford was born in  
Glencoe, Ont. He received his  
education at the same town and  
after graduating from High School  
went to London, Ont. Where he  
achieved his B.A. at Western. After  
this, he returned to the U. of T.  
where he received his M.A.



Mr. Mumford has taught in  
Dryden, Kenora, Medway District  
High School, and Forest district  
High School. He was head of the  
math department at Medway and  
principal at Forest District H.S. He has a certificate for teaching shop and  
enjoys winter sports.

During the war, he served with the RCAF as a meteorological  
officer. He was in charge of several meteorological stations in Canada.

Mr. Mumford is married and has 2 children, Peter who is 5 years  
old and Juliana who is 2½.

Author Unknown

CENTENNIAL STRUCTURE

I was driving by Lorne Park High  
yesterday and noticed that the  
Centennial structure was  
missing. You remember the  
sculpture that they put up in  
1967 with the time capsule, in  
the form of the Maple Leaf?  
What's up with that? I sure hope  
it is just down for repairs.  
My sister helped with that project  
that year, and we were both  
wondering what happened to it,  
needless to say I am a little  
upset about its removal.

Doug Denison ('74)  
(Does anybody know the answer  
to this?)

HOW TO SURVIVE A  
HEART ATTACK WHEN ALONE

Re the article in the April issue of  
*LPSS Matters*, the Heart and  
Stroke Foundation of Canada  
does not endorse "cough  
CPR" (neither does the American  
Heart Association). Both  
associations suggest that when  
the signs of a heart attack are  
recognized, the patient pull over  
and dial 911. Here are the  
relevant links: <http://www.gmcc.ab.ca/nw/hsfacentral/bls/coughcpr.htm>  
<http://216.185.112.5/presenter.jhtml?identifier=4535>

Chris Bark ('95)

E-mail

The inventor Arthur Davidson, of the Harley  
Davidson Motorcycle Corporation, died not  
too long ago and went to heaven. At the  
gates, St. Peter told Arthur, "Since you've  
been such a good man and your  
motorcycles have changed the world, your  
reward is, you can hang out with anyone  
you want in Heaven."  
Arthur thought about it for a minute and  
then said, "I want to hang out with God."  
St. Peter took Arthur to the Throne Room,  
and introduced him to God.

Arthur then asked God, "Hey, aren't you the  
inventor of woman? "

God said, "Ah, yes, "

"Well, " said Arthur, "professional to  
professional, you have some major design  
flaws in your invention.

1. There's too much inconsistency in the  
front-end protrusion.
2. It chatters constantly at high speeds.
3. Most of the rear ends are too soft and  
wobble too much.
4. The intake is placed way to close to the  
exhaust and finally,
5. The maintenance costs are outrageous."

"Hmmm, you may have some good points  
there," replied God, "hold on."  
God went to his Celestial super computer,  
typed in a few words and waited for the  
results. The computer printed out a slip of  
paper and God read it.

"Well, it may be true that my invention is  
flawed, God said to Arthur, "but according  
to these numbers, more men are riding my  
invention than yours."

## Spartan Stuff

### **1957—1964—Fred Hilditch ('63) fred@businessdata.on.ca,**

#### ***'Memories II of the Premiere Class Era' 1957 to 1964:***

#### ***Peter Zuuring -1963***

Peter is the Founder and Director of the Arrow Alliance, sponsor of hands-on projects, the first of which is the reconstruction of an Avro Arrow. Previously hidden parts, books, drawings and photos have been sought out in order to have this project completed in time for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Canadian flight which will be on February 23, 2009. Peter has written The Arrow Scrapbook (a history of the Arrow) and The Arrow Countdown (a yearbook chronicling the progress of this rebuilding project). Read more about the project at <http://www.arrow-alliance.com/main.html>. Sandra Lindsay can attest to Peter's absolute fearlessness in the face of overwhelming odds. He gave her one and only ride on a motorcycle... and lived to tell about it! Peters Reaction "The motorcycle bit was cute...after all it was only a scooter!??"

#### **The Arrow Countdown - Peter Zuuring's (First Book on the Avro)**

The first, in a series of Arrow Alliance yearbooks that will detail progress of the rebuilding of a, full-scale, flying Avro Arrow. This ten year project will see Canadian pride beaming, as the Arrow graces our skies once again in 2009, ready to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of powered flight in Canada. Since the launching of the Alliance's first publication in June/99, The Arrow Scrapbook has sold more than 20,000 copies. So much new information has come to light that an add-on series is a must! Hundreds of never published photographs continue to surface. More plans, manuals, test results, detailed drawings and yes... many original parts are brought to light on a daily basis. The Arrow's tragic story continues to twist and turn as more uncovered government and industry declassified documents show what really happened.

#### **Arrow Scrapbook Book -by: Peter Zuuring**

It was the most amazing airplane ever made in Canada. Uncover the mystery and myth surrounding the Avro Arrow in this definitive collection of rarely seen photos, drawings, letters and original documents. Arrow Scrapbook sets the record straight on statements that the Arrow was 20 years ahead of its time; that Diefenbaker cancelled it; that it cost too much and Canada couldn't afford it; and that nobody wanted it. Peter Zuuring offers the truth about this incredible plane and describes plans to re-create the mythic Arrow in Canada for 2009, the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of flight.

Alumni Offer: Each book \$40, both \$70, with a signature. This includes GST plus shipping. Mailing address is: 62 North St., Kingston, ON K7K 1J8 or call 613-531-4156

#### ***Pick up Car Question***

Who was the teacher whose Izetta (sp?) [small car that opened in the front], was always being picked up by the football team and moved somewhere else in the parking lot??? During a lunch Susan Potts asked Gordon Macfarlane, who said it was his, a white Carmen Ghia with the trunk in the front. Good Question.

#### ***Ron Goodish***

Fortunately, I was spared any trips to Mr. Mumford's office! I was however, once sent to Mr. Manders' office (the Vice-Principal) by that old curmudgeon, Mr. Goodish. He lost his cool with me for turning around during the class and borrowing a ballpoint from Barb Smith. He was incensed that I had up to that point failed to record all his words of wisdom. My defence was that up to that point he had only been reviewing old material and that only seemed to exasperate him further. When I explained all this to Mr. Manders, he seemed to sympathize and I felt that Mr. Goodish was in at least as much trouble as I was. I got my licks in the next Hallowe'en. I was visiting my buddy, Bill, who lived across the street from Mr. Goodish in Park Royal. Mr. Goodish had company and we slipped over at dusk and soaped the windows on both cars. Later, when they went outside they noticed it and washed both cars. When they went back inside we soaped them again. It was mean, and we probably shouldn't have done it, but at the time the temptation was irresistible.

#### ***John Young - 1963***

He is in Quebec City working for the Provincial Govt. Head of the translation Dept. Information Source comment. 'Wouldn't that shock Hal McKay??' My comment is 'he might not be there if it wasn't for Hal McKay'. Mr. McKay was principal of Erindale HS from the mid 80's to the late 90's.

## Spartan Stuff

### **1957—1964 (cont.)**

#### **Gordon MacFarlane**

Retired in Toronto and has been delivering lectures on art and architecture to various groups in the province. I know he did a series of lectures up in Barrie at Georgian college in their Continuing Education division and he has delivered some in Continuing Education at Ryerson. He also has led some architectural walks/talks in Toronto. Gordon and Susan Potts liked Louis DeBoer's story about Ron Goodish.

#### **Olaf von Ramm - 1962**

I'd be delighted to send a welcome to our LPSS group. You know I graduated from LPSS in 1962. Then went on to University of Toronto. I completed my BAsC and MASc at that institution and went for my PhD to Duke University in North Carolina. I'm still there and am a chaired Professor in Biomedical Engineering. I guess LPSS prepared me well enough for the Grade 13 Provincial Exams to get into U of T. By the way I was accepted both by the Med School and the Engineering School. I wasn't smart enough to go with the med option. Sniderman, the councillor, told me I'd succeed in whatever I tried. He was wrong about that. I think I graduated 3rd in my class and took too many Grade 13 exams. I just missed being a Provincial Scholar by a point or two. LPSS was a small and friendly place in those days and many of thought we would do great things. The world was wide open in the early sixties, particularly for us Canadians. This was before de Gaul and the Quebec Libre, before Trudeau and the inward look, before rampant socialism, before excessive immigration, and before the impact of Vietnam. All these factors seem to have diffused the spirit and energy of the country. Then Canada was the country of the future and we believed and lived that thought as graduates of LPSS. Maybe this year's graduates from LPSS can work to rekindle that kind of optimism and make Canada the country for the future.

Thanks, Olaf T von Ramm, Ph.D., Thomas Lord Professor of Engineering, Duke University

#### **Louis DeBoer - 1963**

I married a girl from Rhode Island in 1971 and guess what! That is where we live now! (I have tried to get her to consider moving to Canada in the past and that was like a foreign country to her) Actually we have lived all over, starting in Northern Maine and then Northern New Hampshire, twice in central New Jersey for a spell and in between on a farm in Massachusetts for 8 years. We love where we live now. It is home for wife (her parents are 20 minutes from here) and our four children have their grandparents and uncles close by. We love the ocean and can walk to the beach and I love boating.

#### **Fred Hilditch - 1963**

I got married in 1975 when I was 30 to Dianne Pell of Oakville. For all but the first 4 years of my marriage and life, I have lived in the Clarkson and Lorne Park Area. We currently live at 928 Queen St. in Lorne Park. I have been playing basketball at Clarkson High School since I returned from Burlington in 1979. My son Shawn now joins me at our pick up hockey on Wednesday nites at Erin Mills Arena. He is married and works in Markham in the computer industry. If you get a chance check our web site out. Web: [www.BusinessData.on.ca](http://www.BusinessData.on.ca). My daughter, Brooke will be in her last year of Bio Medical Science at Guelph in the fall, where she participates in varsity rugby and wrestling. We have a cottage in Muskoka on Gibson Lake.

Thanks to Peter, Sandra, Olaf, Geoff, Susan, Gordon, Louis (x2), Ally, Leslie, & Karen  
Fred Hilditch

### **1965—1969—David Crouse ('65) [david.crouse@utoronto.ca](mailto:david.crouse@utoronto.ca)**

Hello to all. It has been an interesting 37 (ouch) years since we graduated, but more on that in a later issue. It was nice to see those of you who made it to LPSS's 25th anniversary bash in 1982. Please send me any and all of your histories, reminiscences, etc. If any of you know of any graduands from your or any other year, let me know any details you might have and I'll contact them. I will be in touch with each of you via email over the next few months. The following was sent to me by Elaine Ostrander (George) who graduated in 1966. Enjoy.

#### **Elaine Ostrander (George) ('66)**

After connecting with the website and reading the newsletters, I thought it might be fun to send you some of my memories of high school during the years 1961-66 for the summer issue .

1. The ugly blue bloomers with our names embroidered on the back that the girls had to wear in gym class.
2. Friday mornings and gymnastics with Mr. Richardson - one of the only times I could remember where the girls and



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### **1965—1969 (cont.)**

- boys could have athletics together!
3. Starting grade nine and having to cut through the corn field to get to the school (building still under construction)
  4. The grad formal in the gym that was decorated as a cruise ship by Pat Base and committee.
  5. "California oranges, Texas cactus, we play Port Credit just for practice" - football cheer
  6. The strange sound of one of the first motorcycles to park at school....owner, Chad Crowder.
  7. Never being able to stop for a drink of water during change of classes especially outside the door of a certain French teacher!
  8. Small glass-bottles of milk for lunch for 10 cents that often crashed to the floor of the cafeteria along with gales of laughter from the crowd.
  9. Being told that we were going to get a swimming pool with a giant "M" on the bottom that was to stand to Molson's Beer.
  10. Taking our notes after exams down to the beach in June and burning them.

### **1970—1974—Dana-Leigh Tisdale ('71) dtisdale@telusplanet.net**

#### ***Kathy Clayton (Taylor) ('71)***

Currently resides in beautiful San Francisco with her wonderfully supportive husband, Scott. She is Managing Director, US Institutional Business for Barclays Global Investors, the world's largest manager of institutional assets with over US\$700 billion under management for corporate and public pension clients worldwide. But her heart remains in Oakville, where she and Scott have kept their home and continue to have deep ties-5 daughters, 4 grand-children (and one more coming on July 16!) all residing in the Oakville-Burlington area. The pull of Canada remains strong particularly in the summer months when, amid the swirling, cold fog banks of San Francisco Bay, Kathy and Scott yearn for their Oakville garden and the lovely warmth of Ontario summers. Kathy hopes to be able to attend the reunion this fall.

#### ***Jim Davidson ('71)***

Went to U of T (Erindale College) then on to Royal Bank (born and bred) from '74-'90. As an entrepreneur, he became a corporate video producer '90-96, then entered the world of consulting (mostly to banks) and now works for a Dallas-based company, Carreker Corporation.

"I'm on the road most of the time, four times to Australia and Scotland last year and SICK of planes... but it's a life and the pay is good! I lived in and around Mississauga up to 1997, then we loaded up the truck and moved to rural Flamboro (not too far from Garth Murphy), living in large renovated schoolhouse just near Flamboro Downs racetrack and Christie conservation area. Married 25 years in Oct., 2 kids (one each) 22 and 19, and a little King Charles Spaniel that runs my life more than the other three combined."

#### ***Dana-Leigh Tisdale ('71)***

News: The G8 is driving Calgarians crazy .... The nude protest against the Gap was 'interesting'; the police are in full force; Air Force One has landed; and at the time of writing, everyone is too hot to be verbally 'hot'.

Weather: Sunny, clear skies and 31 degrees C at 9:30 p.m..

Sports: The Calgary Stampede is only two weeks away, and I've just bought a white hat to go with my white cowboy (cowgirl) boots ...which I'll be 'sporting' while taking part in the various Stampede Line Dancing functions. Yes, over the last six weeks, I've learned 5 Beginner Line Dances, and the "double shuffle".

Future: Thanks to all of the classmates that have contacted me over the last couple of months. I sincerely wish that *LPSS Matters* was able to provide a photo opportunity! Please keep those emails coming (dtisdale@telusplanet.net) ... it is indeed the highlight of my day to hear from you. All emails will be answered!!!

Have a safe summer – and, hopefully, I'll see you at the Reunion.

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### **1975—1979—Michelle Nolan (Oliphant) ('77) nolanmich@hotmail.com**

#### **“Children of Alumni” Attending LPSS**

Thanks to Hanne (Hansen) Simoes (1976) who had the suggestion of starting a survey (list) of Alumni who had or have children attending LPSS. If you would like to be added to this list please contact me at nolanmich@hotmail.com with your child's name and grade and any comments on who the school has changed or what it is like walking the halls as a parent instead of a student.

#### ***Hanne Hansen (Simoes) ('76):***

My daughter just finished grade 9 at LPSS. I know she is not the only child of an alumni. I thought it might be fun to do a survey of how many alumni have children presently in or graduating from LPSS? I've noticed not much has changed inside except they have new red and grey lockers which picks up the place but most of the rooms look just like they did when I left in '76. Still, I get lost everytime I go in there. The home ec room is now a computer lab.

#### ***Ann Darragh Fraser:***

Ashley Fraser (no longer at LPSS)  
Christine Fraser (Grade 10)

#### ***Jane Darragh Wach:***

Elyse Wach (Grade 10)  
Sam Wach (Grade 9)

#### ***Marion (Rodd) Williamson (1978) and Rich Williamson (1977)***

Lisa Catherine Williamson (17) – Grade 12  
Cameron Andrew Williamson – Grade 9

It sure is weird being a parent at LPSS now. It basically looks the same. They are currently refurbishing lockers, etc. to spruce things up. The main floor is almost complete with bright RED outlines, grey and black accents, quite sharp!! The upstairs is next for a face lift, it looks pretty tired at the moment, but if they stick with the plan it will be nice. The “Tech” wing has had a complete transformation. From a dark dingy hang-out for “stoners” to a brightly lit wing for modern technology! Auto shop/machine shops have been converted to Computer labs for graphics/television/other forms of the artistic side of the computer world. There's still a wood shop, but again with a more modern approach. Theatre Arts has made a big step forward...big effort in that area. The teacher in charge is “Nev Campbell's” Dad (you know the teen scream queen).

#### **LPSS ALUMNI, FAMILY & FRIENDS**

Leigh Darragh, a LPSS graduate of 1976, has her own travel company specializing in Corporate Meeting, Incentive and group trips. She is considering doing a group trip for LPSS Alumni, Family and Friends in the Spring and Fall of 2003.. Leigh is considering two options:

- 1) Land-based all-inclusive 5+ Star Resort – Spring 2003 (Riu Palace on the Mexican Riviera or Riu Palace Macao in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic)
- 2) Caribbean Cruise – Fall 2003

These programs will be launched in the fall of this year and Leigh has requested that you get back to her with your ideas and interest. Please Contact: Leigh Darragh, VP, Operations, Carlton Travel Incentives, 2155 South Millway #39, Mississauga, ON L5L 3S1 (905) 569-1288 – Phone, (905) 569-2899 – Fax leigh@carltontravel.on.ca, carltontravel.on.ca – website Leigh's company specialized in Corporate Meetings and Incentive groups. Please get in touch with her should you have any questions, require additional information or visit Carlton Travel Incentive's website.

#### **ALUMNI UPDATES:**

Sandy Nelson went to LPSS for grades 9 and 10 in 1972 and 1973, then moved away. She lives in Kincardine, ON and works as a Stationary Engineer for Bruce Power. She recently traveled to King George Island, Antarctica to represent their parent company, British Energy, in an environmental clean up project called Mission Antarctica. She will write a story about her experience with Mission Antarctica....so look for it in the next publication of the *LPSS Matters*.

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### **1980—1984—Clarissa Stevens-Guille ('83) [ed\\_megens@planet.nl](mailto:ed_megens@planet.nl)**

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### **1985—1989—Rob Boyko ('88) [rob.boyko@maketechnologies.com](mailto:rob.boyko@maketechnologies.com)**

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### **1990—1994—Natasha Blair (Lemire-Blair) ('92) [tash@abstrakt.org](mailto:tash@abstrakt.org)**

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### **1995—1999—Robbie Owen ('98) [rsowen@hotmail.com](mailto:rsowen@hotmail.com)**

I, Robbie Owen, have assumed the role as correspondent for our graduating years. I envision turning our section into a renegade cult-like group; with vicious tact and relentless ferocity, we will quickly become kings of all Lorne Park alumni.

Due to lack of 'real' content, I will take this moment to pick a fight with, say, the class of '77. I propose that our class ('98) meet you at midnight on the broken bridge. We will smoke cigars, pound back some Jacks from the bottle and have a good ole' fashioned bridge brawl.

1995-1999 alumni—feel free to send me information about yourself for the next newsletter. Contact information, opinions, confessions...it's all good. Send to [rsowen@hotmail.com](mailto:rsowen@hotmail.com)

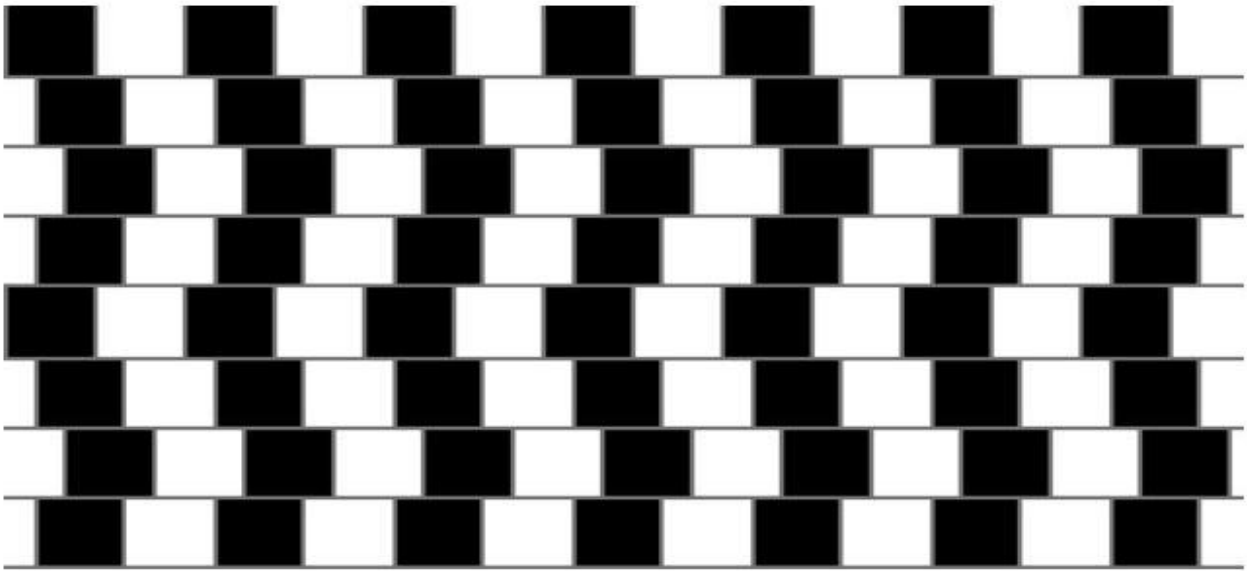
All are also welcomed to send an email to [rsowen@hotmail.com](mailto:rsowen@hotmail.com) to join the "Rance Mulliniks Fan Club." The following was sent in by Jeremy Craigs.

#### ***Jeremy Craigs ('97)***

I graduated with a B.A in Philosophy, and Crime & Deviance (a lot of Soc/Psy) from the University of Toronto at Mississauga. I have been working at AECL (Atomic Energy of Canada) in the Planning Department for almost a year now. Little did Mr. Morton know when I was in his physics class that my work would eventually involve a nuclear reactor! I have just recently moved to Port Credit with John Barnes who also went to LP. I have a website at [www.geocities.com/jercraigs/](http://www.geocities.com/jercraigs/) - Lots of Beer and Brewing related info, quotations as well as a variety pictures, links and other stuff.

### **2000—2004—Correspondent needed**





Are the horizontal lines parallel or do they slope?

*and finally...*



HERE'S WHAT SEEMS TO BE THE WORLD'S EASIEST QUIZ.

- 1) How long did the Hundred Years War last?
- 2) Which country makes Panama hats?
- 3) From which animal do we get catgut?
- 4) In which month do Russians celebrate the October Revolution?
- 5) What is a camel's hair brush made of?
- 6) The Canary Islands in the Pacific are named after what animal?
- 7) What was King George VI's first name?
- 8) What colour is a purple finch?
- 9) Where are Chinese gooseberries from?

ANSWERS:

- 1) How long did the Hundred Years War last? *116 years*
- 2) Which country makes Panama hats? *Ecuador*
- 3) From which animal do we get cat gut? *Sheep and Horses*
- 4) In which month do Russians celebrate the October Revolution? *November*
- 5) What is a camel's hair brush made of? *Squirrel fur*
- 6) The Canary Islands in the Pacific are named after what animal? *Dogs*
- 7) What was King George VI's first name? *Albert*
- 8) What colour is a purple finch? *Crimson*
- 9) Where are Chinese gooseberries from? *New Zealand*

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