



HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Remembering 1967

It is hard to believe that Canada celebrated its Centennial over thirty-five years ago. 1967 was a heady year for Canadians, wherein a ground swell of national pride came uncharacteristically to the fore. Expo '67 in Montreal, arguably the best World's Fair ever, shone the international spotlight on Canada and what a nation we had become. All across the country, communities celebrated throughout the year and just about every city, town, village, group and school marked the occasion with a project of sorts.

Lorne Park was no different. The Toronto Township Board of Education had formed a Centennial Committee through which schools coordinated awareness programs and celebrations for the student population. Inspired by Principal **John Bailey**, a member of the committee, L.P. responded to the call with its usual vigour and spirit. Fifteen L.P. musicians played in the Township All-Star Centennial Band, which played concerts at Huron Park and Port Credit S.S., and for which our own Captain **Bernie Lyons** was an auditioner! Students **Allison Eddy** and **Wayne Silk** were chosen to take part in the Centennial Youth Travel Program and traveled to Fort Chimo, Quebec. The Geography Department undertook two field trips to Expo, taking in points of interest along the route. Most notably though, was the Centennial Monument sculpture that was erected in front of the school.

A national centennial symbol had been created for the year. It was a stylized five-pointed maple leaf made up of multi-coloured triangles. The Board stickered school doors with the logo. Here at L.P. it was decided that this would be the ideal symbol to re-create in the form of a 3-D metal sculpture. It would serve as the school's testimonial to the

Centennial.

The boys in the Science and Technology course took on the project. It was erected next to the school's front entrance and dedicated on May 10th. Underneath was placed a time capsule containing a field hockey stick (G.A.A.), a football sweater (B.A.A.), a Bible (I.S.C.F.) and a copy of the 1967 yearbook (Key staff), to be opened on Canada's Bicentennial in 2067. And so this proud monument stood for over thirty-five years.

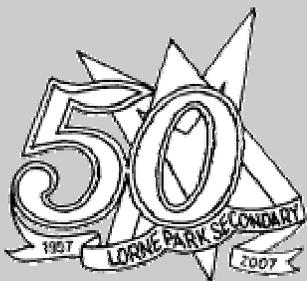
Jump ahead to 2002. By this time of course, students of the day had not even been born in 1967. Not surprisingly, few, if any, likely understood the significance of the Centennial sculpture. In fact, of late, it had become known as the 'Spartan Star', students being oblivious to the fact that it was indeed meant to symbolize a maple leaf. It had been unceremoniously painted and repainted, climbed upon and in recent years, even become the butt of an annual prank whereby graduating students would cut it off at its base in the spring, to return it by Commencement. In 2002, however, it was once again cut, only not to return. Its whereabouts today remains an unfortunate mystery.

If anyone out there knows of its fate, perhaps they could somehow aid in its safe return. If not, perhaps informing the present student body of its significance and creating a replacement would make a timely project for the 50th. Anniversary. Today, more than ever as a free and multi-cultural mosaic, we should actively promote our country's history amongst our students and all the efforts of those who came before to celebrate Canada.

Dwight Skeates ('82)

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Advice from a Lawyer

Read this and make a copy for your files in case you need to refer to it someday.

A corporate attorney sent the following out to the employees in his company:

The next time you order cheques have only your initials (instead of first name and last name) put on them. If someone takes your chequebook they will not know if you sign your cheques with just your initials or your first name but your bank will know how you sign your cheques.

When you are writing cheques to pay on your credit card accounts, DO NOT put the complete account number on the "For" line. Instead, just put the last four numbers. The credit card company knows the rest of the number and anyone who might be handling your cheque as it passes through all the cheque processing channels won't have access to it.

Put your work phone # on your cheques instead of your home phone. If you have a P.O. Box use that instead of your home address. Never have your Social Insurance # printed on your cheques (DUH!) you can add it if it is necessary. But if you have it printed, anyone can get it.

Place the contents of your wallet on a photocopy machine, do both sides of each license, credit card, etc. You will know what you had in your wallet and all of the account numbers and phone numbers to call and cancel.

Keep the photocopy in a safe place. I also carry a photocopy of my passport when I travel

We've all heard horror stories about fraud that's committed on us in stealing a name, address, Social Security number, credit cards, etc. Unfortunately I, an attorney, have firsthand knowledge because my wallet was stolen last month. Within a week, the thief(s) ordered an expensive monthly cell phone package, applied for a VISA credit card, had a credit line approved to buy a Gateway computer, received a PIN number from DMV to change my driving record information online, and more.



But here's some critical information to limit the damage in case this happens to you or someone you know:

We have been told we should cancel our credit cards immediately. But the key is having the toll free numbers and your card numbers handy so you know whom to call. Keep those where you can find them easily.

File a police report immediately in the jurisdiction where it was stolen, this proves to credit providers you were diligent, and is a first step toward an investigation (if there ever is one).

But here's what is perhaps

most important: (I never even thought to do this). Call the three national credit reporting organizations immediately to place a fraud alert on your name and Social Insurance number. I had never heard of doing that until advised by a bank that called to tell me an application for credit was made over the Internet in my name.

The alert means any company that checks your credit knows your information was stolen and they have to contact you by phone to authorize new credit.

By the time I was advised to do this, almost two weeks after the theft, all the damage had been done.

There are records of all the credit checks initiated by the thieves' purchases, none of which I knew about before placing the alert.

Since then, no additional damage has been done, and the thieves threw my wallet away this weekend (someone turned it in). It seems to have stopped them in their tracks.

The numbers are: Equifax Canada: (Your Credit File): 1-800-465-7166 Experian: (formerly tRW): 1-888-397-3742. Contact Trans Canada Credit: 416-465-7166. In Canada Contact : Human Resources Development Canada(1-800-206-7218)

We pass along jokes on the Internet; we pass along just about everything. Pass this information along. It could really help someone you care about.

*Submitted by
Dana-Leigh Tisdale ('71)*

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

www.marylennstevenson.com

Predictions for 2004

Financially, 2004 will be an improvement over 2003. There may be more of a tendency to gamble and take chances on unknown ventures. It will be important to take a good look before jumping into anything.

Be careful what you ask for—this will likely be the year you get it. It will not be a time to take something just because it is there or a time to settle for second best. If it is not what you want, sit back and wait. After all, what is worth having is worth waiting for.

Intuitions will run higher than usual this year, therefore, it will be even more important to trust your instincts and go with that ‘gut feeling’.

2004 will be a year of bright colour and bold designs.

New developments in science research will bring us a step closer to a better understanding of skin cancer and a step closer to its cure.

Terrorism will once more be brought closer to home

and once again a nation shall unite in tears. A nation shall fall and in its place shall rise another which is stronger and more secure. A river shall flow red as tears are shed.

New glitches are bound with e-commerce. A new virus will shut down most financial institutions for a day or so. So, keep cash on hand just in case.

Expect more blackouts in the early part of the year—mostly weather related.

2004 will be a year of humanity, of people helping people and there will be humour in the air. People shall pull together and laugh together.

People will find themselves taking a better look at themselves this year, recognizing what they want and going after it.

I wish all of you a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Mary Lynn



Happy Holidays from some of your *LPSS Matters* staff ... David Crouse ('65), Clarissa Stevens-Guille ('84), Fred Hilditch ('63), Dana-Leigh Tisdale ('71) and Paul Cuddy ('72). (Taken at Cuda's, December 2003.)

On behalf of all the *LPSS Matters* correspondents, we'd like to wish each and every one of you a Safe and Prosperous 2004.

We Remember...

Mr. Bailey

Just to let you know that John Bailey, Principal from 1965-1969 died in the summer of 2002.

Patti Steeds ('73)

Ted Gilson ('72)

Ted passed away this past week
We were married for 29 years.

Kimberley Gilson
(nee Petersen)

Jeff Brydges ('70)

Just a note to indicate that Jeff Brydges (class of '70 or '71) passed away on Oct. 25th in Calgary after a lengthy illness. His sister Chris and brother Jimmy were also LPSS attendees.

Geoff Last ('69)

Water Anyone?

We all know that water is important, but I've never seen it written down like this before. 75% of Americans are chronically dehydrated. (This likely applies to half of the world population).

In 37% of Americans, the thirst mechanism is so weak that it is often mistaken for hunger.

Even MILD dehydration will slow down metabolism as much as 3%. One glass of water shuts down midnight hunger pangs for almost 100% of the dieters studied in a University of Washington study.

Lack of water is the #1 trigger of daytime fatigue. Preliminary research indicates that 8-10 glasses of water a day could significantly ease back and joint pain for up to 80% of sufferers.

A mere 2% drop in body water can trigger fuzzy short-term memory, trouble with basic math, and difficulty focusing on the computer screen or on a printed page.

Drinking 5 glasses of water daily, decreases the risk of colon cancer by 45%, plus it can slash the risk of breast cancer by 79%, and one is 50% less likely to develop bladder cancer.

Are you drinking the amount of water you should every day? Do you need to know the exact amount of water that you should drink each day for your body weight? Click this link for the formula http://www.quickfasting.com/plenty_from_both_ends.html

Inspiration is great, but one of the greatest inspirations is feeling good.

(Taken from *Mountain Wings* <http://www.mountainwings.com>)

REMINDER ON OPENING LPSS MATTERS

As mentioned in the July issue of *LPSS Matters*, you can download the newsletter first before attempting to open it. Netscape users hold down the shift key before clicking on the icon. A window pops up looking for a download location. Choose one and begin the download.

Internet Explorer users right-click on the icon. From the window that pops up, click on "Save Target As..."

LPSS Matters Website

By now most of you know about our Message Board. Get on line and try it—it's surprisingly easy once you get the hang of it.

We also have two other alumni services on our website—Alumni Links and Classifieds. They're free—use them!

E-MAIL ADDRESSES

Since the beginning we have strived to ensure confidentiality of e-mail addresses for alumni on the distribution list of *LPSS Matters*. This has not changed. However, readers often ask how they can e-mail friends on the distribution list. Please feel free to send your e-mail to us at Editor@LPSSMatters.com, and we'll forward it on.

Spartan Stuff

1957—1964—Fred Hilditch ('63) - fred@businessdata.on.ca



From **Mike Thorne** ('60): I am also enclosing for nostalgia's sake a photo of 4 Lorne Park Public and Lorne Park Secondary School (LPSS 1960) Grads. **Dave Holebrooke**, **Dale Perigoe**, **Mike Thorne**, and **Mary Lou May** got together for lunch at Dale's place in Toronto last Fall to renew friendships. David who is a Doctor living in the U. S. was up on business and we only had a couple of hours to reminisce. I hope to see Dave and another friend of ours **Danny Strickland**, another 1960 grad, at Daves summer place in Seattle in early June. *Editors Comment – Danny (female) – I think we look as young as ever – look at the awesome looking people above.*

Your alumni connected **Carol Macnab** ('62) and **Diane (Danny) Dawson** ('61). Carol is happily married for 33 years to Jack Williams who lives west of Toronto. They have 2 married boys. Carol works but still spends the summer at her cottage in Haliburton. Carol was in Diane's wedding party. Diane has lived north of Toronto in her current home for 32 years. She was married to **Doug Cowan** ('61) until his death at 42 years of age. They have 2 married daughters with 4 children and one child on the way. For the last 18 years Diane has been with Brian who works in the car industry. To celebrate her recent decade birthday, Diane spent some time in the south with **Denny Attfield** ('62) who was Doug and Diane's best man. During one visit with her, I was introduced to Diane's father who worked for CFRB and still drives a car and lives in north Toronto. I may have got the visits because Diane and one of her friends thought I looked like Chuck Connors who played as the "Rifleman" on TV. Taking to Diane reminded me of her friends Bubbles and **Shirley Traver** ('61) **Nancy Coles** ('63): Hi **Karen Kerr** ('63) and Freddie: My God - you two really took me back in time! I have connected with you, Karen, from time to time over the years but I haven't heard the name Hilditch since LPSS. Yes, I am alive and happy, healthy but not rich. I moved up to Deep River in 1966 after I married **John Winegar** ('62). The marriage lasted twelve years and produced my two lovely daughters, Barbara and Karen. I met the love of my life shortly thereafter and we will be celebrating 27 years in 2004. Neil has four children from a previous marriage and combined

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with my two we now have a grand total of 11 1/2 grandchildren (my daughter Karen is expecting her third). Funny place to end up but Deep River is definitely home now. The winters are brutal (-35-40F) at times and very long but we get away just about every year for a break. This year is St. Martin for a few weeks in January - one of our favourite islands. The summers are beautiful - Deep River is set on the Ottawa River with two incredible sandy beaches. The blackflies are a nuisance but we now have a screened in porch, which makes life wonderful. Remember how our parents used to take us away in the summer to cottages for two weeks so we could experience beaches and lakes? My kids used to go out in front of the high school and have their lunch on the banks of the mighty Ottawa. (They took it for granted back then but now living in Guelph and Hamilton they realize what they had). I could go on and on - Karen, the last time I talked to Bill you were doing a wonderful job of caring for your dad who I understand passed away a while back. I'd love to hear what you're up to now. Freddie Hilditch, I know absolutely nothing about you and would love to be brought up to date. I have kept in touch with no one - not even Bonnie Boyer who of course was my best buddy. I did see Donna Lascelles a few years ago. Please connect - From **Bonnie Boyer** ('63)- Fred. Thank you so much for passing on Nancy's message. You have no idea what a lift that gave me. Thanks to Charlie Coles ('59) for Nancy's address.



Who is it question: The answer is **Peter Crowder ('65)**. We had 12 people who participated in the question. Some of the comments:

1. There y'are, Chad - still instantly recognizable after all these years! Doug Edward
2. He was running the track around the Football field and the background is the bush on the west side of the school. Carol Williams (*The track may not have been there when you went to school*).
3. I'm pretty sure the track went in when Lee Construction built the school. It looks to me like Peter is running up the back of the track (south side) in the shade of the trees, and is being lit primarily by the reflected light from the field. Louis Silcox
4. Might it be Chad Crowder? I think that was the last time he actually broke a sweat! (And I'm e-mailing him a copy of this so he'll know where it came from!) Doug Edward
5. Dave Richards – He was a very good 440/880 runner in high school. Class of '65
6. I think it could be "Chad" or otherwise known as Peter Crowder. Pat Raham
7. Is it Peter French? John Richards
8. To Carol Macnab He was one of you younger neighbours. Good grief, Peter Crowder - thanks Fred.
9. Ole Kahl ('65) I believe it may be Peter Crowder. He was into track and field at the time.
10. Susan Penberthy - That is so funny. The Crowder's lived next door to us. I was much older and wouldn't have recognized him, as I hadn't been at home for several years when that picture was taken.

Life can only be understood backwards, but must be lived forwards.

Søren Kierkegaard

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Diane Radke (Hanton) ('63) Yes, I did talk to **Georgette Hogue** ('63), (alias George) and better yet, we had a visit when I went to Toronto a couple of weeks ago! It was just great to see each other, after, we think, about 32 years! And yes, she looked very much as I remembered her, and laughed just the same! She was curious about how you got her present name and # (*from her cousin*) and I explained that you must have fairly up-to-date lists of our class(?). Her brother Ivan and sister Lorraine are living in Cambridge and I think, Mississauga, respectively. Her parents passed away a few years ago, but we had a wonderful time reminiscing about our I-o-n-g conversations at the end of her street and the power line. She doesn't have any contact with **Margaret Padmos** ('63) and **M.J. Strickland** ('63) (all had aliases, i.e.—Mugsy and MJ!) (*We got MJ- see below*) either, but does keep in touch a bit with one or two others. Thanks again for hooking us up. It was a thrill to meet up again, and hopefully this will happen more frequently in the future. Let's hope we'll have a reunion, which will be attended with more of us 'golden oldies'-sooner rather than later judging from the dropout rate of late.

Thanks to Donna, **Tim Ditchburn**'s ('65) wife we have added Tim and his sister **Lee Ditchburn** ('61). Combined Tim and Donna have 6 children and live in Mississauga. Lee lives in Thunder Bay and has looked after her daughter's baby since she retired as a teacher at the local university.

Rewards – here are mine

Doug Edward ('64) By the way, I think you are doing a heck of a job pulling old friends together and reminding us of the good fortune we all had in being in the geographical and people space we were in during those years at LPSS.

Gary Cronyn ('65) Thank you for the Bear Xmas Wish. It really is delightful. All the best of the season to you and your family and best wishes for the New Year.

Honey (Watts) Hawk ('62) Thanks Fred...great card. Wishing you a happy, joyful, restful holiday season too.

Ken Brands—Wow, I haven't heard some of these names for a lot of years. Keep up the good work.

Larry Curtis Thanks Fred, and same to you

Susan Penberthy - too cute. Merry Christmas yourself and have a safe and healthy holiday season.

Rick Gorman - Thanks for all your continued efforts on keeping us informed of the antics of earlier retro bates, known as graduates of Lorne Park from the beginning era.

Louis Silcox- *his comments on a Fox Snake study I sent him* -I don't know if you intended this to come to me or not, but I enjoyed reading it anyway. *PS I did intend for him to get the story. The story went to animal lovers and non-jocks*

Susan Potts - And a very merry Christmas to you too, Fred, and all the best for 2004.

Terri Newton - And thanks for all the memories. Keep up the good work.

Ginny Reed -Thanks for all the good work you do to keep us connected and informed! I heard from Jim Junkin CTV newsman, who I went to Public school and played minor hockey with. It is great to get even one word, then I know people are reading and for the most part are enjoying. My favourite reply is from Louis Silcox. See above.



From **Jim Dickson** ('62) - Here's a couple of pics from the Grade 8 grad party held in June/57 at the Rockway motel that was on the Lakeshore across from St. Lawrence Cement. The first is L-R: Ken Hamilton, **Dave Runnalls**, ('62) Annie Hall, **Peter Smith** ('62) and Dave Richie. The 2nd is L-R: Miriam Stowe, **Alley Koohtow** ('63), **Jean Godsman** ('62), **Cathy Kerr** ('62) and **Lynda Cole** ('62).

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Louis DeBoer ('63) Nice to hear from you again. I sure remember Johnny Cash from when I was just in second grade or so. I remember his hit "I walk the Line" playing on the radio when I was playing in our front yard at Spinning Wheel Lodge in Clarkson. My older sisters were always playing the hit parade on CHUM. I've been rather busy of late as I just started a new position at the end of August teaching in a Classical Christian School. I'm teaching the omnibus course which is classical literature, history, philosophy, and theology, all rolled into one course. It's fascinating and fun to teach, but a lot of work the first time as develop my own lesson plans. When I come up for air I plan to finish the stuff I was working on relating to our experiences at Clarkson Public School. I am still talking to various folks, getting input, and have lots of notes to work from. Yeah it would be great to have some more of Johnny's music. I do have a couple of his CDs. I've never downloaded music on the web. What would I need to play it?

Mary Jane Strickland (de Koos) ('65) Thanks for sending me the e-mail from **Diane Radke**. Talk about voices from the past! I will try to find an address for **Margaret Padmos**. Actually Dan knows her younger sister Susan. I lost contact with Margaret about 7 or 8 years ago. Last I knew she was Mrs. Robert Glass and was living in Brantford. I am living in Pointe-Claire Quebec for the last 30 years. I will write to Diane Radke.

Comments by MJ on a picture submitted by **Peter Zuuring**. Hi Fred are you being inundated with pictures? How did you guess that it was connected to the Strickland's? This is actually our mother. I was present when it was taken and I think after looking at the yearbook of '63 that **Alec Wright** was the photographer. Mother lives in Victoria and just had her 89th birthday.

Recently **JD Gamble** was in Oakville visiting with **Gord McKye, Bill & Ally Kerr, Mary Lou May, Mike Thorne, Marg MacLennan, and Karen Kerr**. 1953 Lorne Park Public School classes courtesy of **Mary Lou May** and named with the help of **Larry Curtis, Dale Perigoe, Pat Woodall & Mike Thorne**.



1953

Top row: Mr. Smythe, 1 - ?, 2 - ? 3
Berend Veltheer , 4 Jim Baker, 5
Bruce Kennedy

2nd row: 1 Eric ?, 2 J D Gamble, 3
Bill Kerr, 4 Bobbie Everest, 5 Gary
Ainley 6 Jim Wakeford, 7 Bill Newton,
8 Wayne Fraser, 9 Joe Patchett

3rd row: 1 – Marlene Vaughn, 2 Vicki
Brownell, 3 Patsy Woodall, 4 Margo
McArthur, 5 Mary Tedder, 6 Diane
Harvison, 7 Shari Syme, 8 Margaret
VanEvery, 9 Betty Farrow

Front row: 1 – Berend or Manfred
Veltheer, 2 – Jimmy Stafford, 3 Norm
Parsons, 4 Graham Bainbridge, 5
Dennis Taylor

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1953

Top Row 1 Byron Brownell, 2 Richard Asbury, 3 Don Irwin, 4 Don Pemberton, 5 Jack Peer, 6 Gerald Poole, Mr. Barber **2nd row:** 1 Don Godbout, 2 Doug Kennedy, 3 Mienhardt Moot, 4 Doug Baker, 5 Bruce Smallacombe

3rd Row Mary Baggley, 2 Lorna Gosling, 3 Diane Hemphill, 4 Lynn Esson, 5 Mary Lou May, 6 Dale Perigoe, 7 Alison Chapman, 8 Dorothy Case

Front row: 1 Mike Thorne, 2 Walter Atkinson, 3 Paul Hansen, 4 Jimmy Wylie, 5 - ?

Peter Zuuring ('63) Here is the scoop on **Gary Jasper** and the DART throwing incident. I remember t like yesterday because both Roger and I freaked out and couldn't believe what we had done. Three of us, **Gary Jasper**, **Roger Burge** and I were in Roger's backyard on Lorne Park Rd. just where Crescent Road meets, throwing darts at some cardboard targets...like the whole length of the yard... Gary went to go and get his darts ...somehow we still had one each and both Roger and I said "Hey Gary start running", never thinking that we would be accurate enough to hit him after all it was only a joke...Roger and I threw on either side of him...at the last second with darts in the air Gary turned left and whack my dart hit him right in the skull and stuck there...horror of horrors...heart racing we rushed to his aid...he seems to have survived. It made a point with him it seems as well.

Terri Newton (Tannis) ('64)- Thanks for the message and address from **Karen Kerr**. We got together a few years back, as she mentioned, and our plan was to keep in touch. But, as usually happens, our lives continue to be busy and such things don't always happen. I have already emailed her tonight. Thanks, too, for all the great history and pictures you send. I am really enjoying them. One thing I found interesting a while back was your mentioning a girl named Tannis (not me) that you went to public school with. Didn't know any other Tannis' in those days so was curious who she was. Which public school did you go to? I attended a few months of grade three at Lorne Park (we moved from Toronto at Easter of '54) then the rest of elementary school was at Tecumseh, which was new. I have lived in the States (Wisconsin) since 1969. I left LPSS after grade twelve and entered nursing school at Kitchener-Waterloo Hospital and graduated from there in 1966. I then lived w/ Karen for about a year and worked at Sick Children's. Then I left for England and Europe for an unspecified time - worked and traveled - and ended working on an American army base in Germany. Met my first husband there - he was from Wisconsin - and here I am. I have married a second time to a newsman and 'go-karter' - he was interested to see the picture of **Garry Jasper** in the most recent newsletter. Seems like a good hobby for old men!??? I have 2 daughters, 2 stepsons, 2 granddaughters, a greyhound (Bus?) and a good life. We get to Hamilton occasionally (about once a year) to visit my brother **Bill Newton** ('61) and his wife, Jo. They moved from Lorne Park to Hamilton about 7 yrs ago. Both their kids graduated from Lorne Park - **Monique** and **Matthew** (who very sadly died in a car accident 6 yrs ago). When our kids were younger we made many trips to Lorne Park and stayed w/ Bill & Jo. As an aside, they had a neighbour on Queen Victoria - **Peter (Zuuring??)** who, I believe, was in my class (I would have graduated in '64 if I had not left early for nursing school). Was very saddened to hear about **Susan Youngman** - she and I were friends in school. One memory that came to mind was the Good Friday she lied and said she was Catholic so she could leave school to go to church w/ some of us. Think we all were just looking for a way out of school for a couple of hours. Can't even remember who the others were. Please keep me on your list. Can't help you w/ any email addresses, I'm afraid but thank you for all the wonderful information.

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Art Neilsen (LPSS 1962) – Mike (Art's son) is on a five-month deployment to the USAF Base in Qatar, left in July, will return to his home base at Lakenheath in England just before Christmas. Courtesy of Mike and Art, I received some very interesting non-war pictures of patrolling over Baghdad.

Marg MacLennan ('62) and I had our 2nd annual get together at Filthy McNasty's in Oakville just before Xmas. Although she works in a Real Estate office near Filthy McNasty's, Marg had never been there. **New Year's Message** – As a sports person this may be easy for me to say. Sports people tend to relate every thing in life to sports. As you know (you do now) I have been playing basketball in the evenings once a week at the Clarkson High School since 1979. The best basketball game is where we don't count the baskets (Score). When it gets close to 9:30pm, quitting time, the leader me, shouts out "next basket wins". No one gets hurt and everybody raves about how good the workout was. As you go thru life at work, at home, at play, please practise "**NO SCORE SHEETS.**"

Thanks to Art, Bonnie, Carol, Dale, Dan, Diane x2, Doug, Gary, Ginny, Honey, Jim, Karen, Ken, Larry, Lou, Louis x2, Marg, Mary, Mike, MJ, Nancy, Pat, Peter, Rick, **Sandra**, Susan x2, Terri.

1965—1969—**David Crouse ('65) - david.crouse@utoronto.ca**

1970—1974—**Dana-Leigh Tisdale ('71) - dltisdale@shaw.ca**

Seasons Greetings to all LPSS alumni. Here are some updates from friends from 'the good ole days'. I apologize for the great delay in putting these into the newsletter. "I lost them" is not the reason!!!

Graham Samuels ('71) ~ (taken from an email dated April 14, 2002) Hello, Dana. I remember you clearly as if it was yesterday. Thirty (some) years have blown by, haven't they!? I am presently Phys.Ed./Math teacher at the Woodlands School (Peel Board) in Erindale — after leaving the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board as a Special Education teacher for 14 years. I started late as a full-time teacher in 1987 after experiencing travel and "numerous" careers in my life. I'll be going into principalship as soon as I can. I presently live in Orangeville, ON with my wife of 14 years ... a Flight Attendant for 30 years with Air Canada. I also have a very lovely daughter, Earlene, 22 years old and very independent as a model and hopeful actress ... we'll see!

I received the LPSS email address from **Tim Jenkins**, who works for my old school board and whom I still keep in touch. I have bumped into many ex-students over the years, but have kept in touch with only a few on and off. An old friend of mine lives in Calgary also ... **Bernie Kespe** ... but I haven't spoken to him in a while.

[Hey, Bernie ... time to give Graham a call!]

Laurel Cole (Grasset) ('71) ~ (taken from an email dated April 8, 2002) I am married and live in Oakville, ON and have 3 children, 13, 10 and 5. I always check classmates.com when they email me with new members ... there certainly are a lot of LPSS members. It's fun to read their bios.

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1970—1974—(cont.)

Donna Smith (Wilkinson) ('71) ~ (taken from an email dated April 3, 2002). Thanks for the note. What a surprise to hear from you!!! I've enjoyed reading the LPSS newsletters recently. Lots of memories!!

Here's a quick review of my life After leaving LPSS in 1971, I moved to Madison, Wisconsin. I got a degree in music education from the U of Wisconsin and married an American. We lived in Madison until 1985, then moved to Cleveland, Ohio for 12 years and then moved to Green Bay in 1996. I've been teaching music all these years, including private piano lessons, music ministry and church choirs, and K-12th grade at various schools. My husband is a United Methodist minister, so I'm really involved as a pastor's wife. We have 3 children. Ryan is 23 and works in sports medicine and athletic training in Indiana. Lindsay is 17 and will graduate from high school next year. We lost our middle son, Dustin, to cancer in 1998. He was 16 years old. My mother still lives in Mississauga, so we do get back about once a year. Please keep in touch!

Marilyn Kelly (Barr) ('71) ~ (taken from an email dated April 30, 2002). Dear Dana-Leigh. I was in your class for the 5 years at LPSS. I'm presently living in St. Albert, AB, a suburb of Edmonton. It's interesting to read about how people are doing and the newsletter has me calling up old friends as it brings back memories.

Message from **Dana-Leigh**. Thank you to all that have emailed me. Due to a technical difficulty (cyberspace ate my report! ... we weren't able to use that excuse years ago), there will be lots more 'updates' in the next edition.

In the meantime, I'd like to invite all those reading this column, from years 1970 to 1974, to contact me at dltisdale@shaw.ca and let me know 'where are you now'. And, for those who have 'kept in touch' with your classmates, please pass on their email addresses/home addresses, and I'll be happy to invite them to share as well.

In the meantime, have a Happy and Safe 2004.

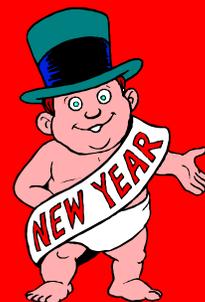
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Amzanig huh?

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Spartan Stuff

1975-1979—Michelle Oliphant (Nolan) - mnolan42@cogeco.ca

Michelle Oliphant (Nolan) ('77) – On October 22, 2003 I became a first-time grandmother to a beautiful baby boy. I was fortunate enough to also be present at his birth, and believe me standing on the opposite side of that birthing bed watching your first-born daughter give birth to your first grandson is very emotional, rewarding and you automatically begin to reflect on your life. Growing up I had kept a very big secret, one that I only shared with a few very close friends (and only friends that promised on a “pinky swear” that God would strike them dead if they told anyone). You see I didn't want anyone to know because it would make me “different” and God forbid in our generation no one wanted to be “different”. It wasn't until many years later that I realized that I wasn't alone and many people had “skeletons in their closets”. My biological parents were 16 when I was born and that wasn't acceptable back in 1959, nor was there access to help as there is today. My biological mother didn't have any family so my father's parents adopted me and took me home directly from the hospital. Therefore, my grandparents now became my parents, my father became my brother, my uncle became my brother, and so on and so forth. We never spoke of my mother. I grew up knowing the situation but never remember how they told me. I was about 16 when I found out that 9 months after I was born they had another baby (a boy) who my biological mother had kept. My biological father and I had kept in touch and renewed our father/daughter relationship about 20 years ago. About 15 years ago my biological father and I found my mother and brother (whom my father hadn't seen since he was born) and we have kept in contact ever since. Parents can be embarrassing at the best of times, add to that the fact that my parents were so much older than any of the other parents and the teasing doubled. It wasn't until my twenties that I accepted this situation and realized how extremely lucky and fortunate I was to have grandparents that were willing to hold off on their retirement plans and start over again by agreeing to raise their first born granddaughter as their daughter.

Sandra Bishop ('78) - although I didn't officially graduate in 1978, I count myself among this peer group, having spent grades 9 through 12 with everyone. My year off in '77/'78 travelling as a Rotary Exchange Student to Perth, Western Australia proved "educationally", culturally, and "language-wise" expanding. (Yes, although both countries speak English, the slang and twang could be challenging at times.) It was difficult to come back to the halls of LPSS to finish Grade 13 when all my friends were off being official adults attending university. Being away from family and friends for a year strengthened our bonds, and broke some too. But after all these years it's good to know there are those still around who like to remember our formative growing years - the good and the bad! It has made us better people in the long run. I was unable to attend the Oct.'02 reunion due to business, and am looking forward to the 50th in 2007.

My life is very full, which is such a blessing in this day and age. My wonderful husband of 19 years puts up with a lot - my extremely demanding advertising life (I work in a promotions focused agency as well as teach some advertising courses through the Institute of Communications and Advertising, a few times a year), coupled with his also demanding corporate video production company, crazy hours and just plain "childishness" at times. You know the saying: you work hard, you play hard. He is my soul mate and best friend. He is also the loving father of our 11 year old son, Kale..and our 7 year old lab, Riley. We've also just recently added 4 month old Toby - an English cocker spaniel, who currently treats the lab as one giant chew toy. Thank goodness for lab dispositions.

We live in a modest house in Etobicoke, and enjoy weekends at our cottage in Haliburton year round. If we're not swimming, canoeing, camping, hiking or golfing in the summer you can catch us on the Nordic ski trails, skating on the lake or tobogganing by winter. In fact we're going to be featured in Today's Parent, in June I believe, in an article about "Families exercising together" - and yes, it will seem odd talking about cross country skiing in the summer, but we're looking forward to getting some publicity for the Haliburton Nordic Ski Club. It's a really fun club with a slowly expanding membership; we have lot's of marvellous, competitive rated trails and a super Jackrabbit program for kids 5 to 12, which I also am an instructor for. But life isn't all about the cottage; we enjoy travelling this great country of ours too - from climbing mountains in BC two summers ago, paddling the wilds of Quetico last year to sea kayaking the Bay of Fundy this past summer. On the hit list to accomplish is a Northern River trip by canoe or raft!

Amongst all this "hussle" we take time out to enjoy our ever-expanding family - I'll be a great aunt for the 6th time in December. (For those of you who graduated in '71 you may remember my sister **Dayle Bishop** who married **Dennis Patriquin** - well, you guessed it, they're the lucky grandparents!). Okay so if this doesn't really start to hit home about the

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"getting older" thing. Age is a state of mind - keep active, think young! See everyone at the 50th!!

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Richard Lukas ('79) – I am 42 years old. I went to Lorne Park Secondary School from September 1975 to June 1979 and September 1981 to June 1982 (extra credits required). I'm married and live in Etobicoke, Ontario – no kids.

I work for Showline Ltd. (for 27 years), which is a company that rents our studios (7) to companies that make TV commercials and feature films (X-Men, Blues Brothers 2000, Pushing Tin, The Long Kiss Goodbye, Dracula 2000, etc.)

My interests include: The Beatles, Nostalgia/Music, Concerts (especially out of town), Travel, NFL, NHL and Record Collecting.

I have been collecting music/record lists since July 18, 1975. If there were one in the Star, I would cut it out. There have been many different versions throughout the years. Towards the early 90's they ceased, but I then got the 'Billboard Lists' from a Film Trade Mag. Then I would go to the library and shoot microfilms of pre-July 1975 lists. I have backed up until March 74. Unfortunately, the 1050 Chum website does not have clear reproductions to print. I get some Oldies Charts in my search for other things. I recently got a September '57, March '60 and January '58 list in a search for an unrelated item. Chum Charts are very hard to find (and expensive for a complete set 1957 – 1986). I'll get them all one day!!

In recognition of our New Year's edition of *LPSS Matters* Richard has submitted charts from January 3, 1976, January 1, 1977 and a 1050 Chum Chart from week starting December 31, 1977.

BEST SELLING RECORDS

January 3, 1976 - Compiled by The Star with the co-operation of seven major dealers.

		Last Week	Weeks on List
POP SINGLES			
1.	Saturday Night /Bay City Rollers/Capitol	1	11
2.	Fox on the Run /The Sweet/Capitol	3	5
3.	That's the Way I like It /KC & the Sunshine Band/RCA	2	7
4.	Do You Know /Diana Ross/Motown	4	4
5.	Fly Robin Fly /Silver Convention/Columbia	5	8
6.	I Write the Songs /Barry Manilow/Capitol	10	4
7.	Let's Do It gain /Staple Singers/WEA	9	5
8.	Love Roller Coaster /Ohio Player/Polydor	13	3
9.	Convoy /C. W. McCall/Polydor	22	2
10.	The Way I Want to Touch You /Captain & Tennille/A&M	7	8
11.	Over My Head /Fleetwood Mac/WEA	15	3
12.	18 With A Bullet /Pete Wingfield/GRT	8	6
13.	You Sexy Thing /Hot Chocolate/WEA	20	3
14.	Sky High /Jigsaw/Quality	6	7
15.	Evil Woman /Electric Light Orchestra/UA	24	2
POP ALBUMS			
1.	Rock of the Westies /Elton John/MCA	1	10
2.	Chicago's Greatest Hits /Chicago/Columbia	2	5
3.	Wind Song /John Denver/RCA	4	15
4.	Bay City Rollers /Bay City Rollers/Capitol	7	3



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5.	Who By Numbers /The Who/MCA	-	5
6.	History of America /America/WEA	-	2
7.	K.C. & The Sunshine Band /K.C. & The Sunshine Band/RCA	3	6
8.	The Hungry Years /Neil Sedaka/Polydor	9	3
9.	Main Course /Bee Gees/Polydor	6	14
10.	Wish You Were Here /Pink Floyd/Columbia	5	15



BEST SELLING RECORDS

January 1, 1977 - Compiled by The Star with the co-operation of seven major dealers.

POP SINGLES		Last Week	Weeks on List
1.	Tonight's The Night /Rod Stewart/WEA	1	10
2.	I Never Cry /Alice Cooper/WEA	2	7
3.	You Make Me Feel Like Dancing /Leo Sayer/WEA	6	7
4.	Stand Tall /Burton Cummings/CBS	3	12
5.	You Don't Have To Be A Star /Marilyn McCoo & Billy Davis Jr./ GRT	13	5
6.	Livin' Thing /Electric Light Orchestra/UA	9	7
7.	Just To Be Close To You /Commodores/Motown	11	6
8.	Yesterday's Hero /Bay City Rollers/Capitol	8	5
9.	Hotline /Sylvers/Capitol	4	7
10.	Nights Are Forever /England Dan & John Ford Coley/WEA	15	4
11.	I Wish /Stevie Wonder/Motown	5	4
12.	Fighting On The Side Of Love /Wayne St. John & The T.H.P. Orchestra/RCA	12	3
13.	Somebody to Love /Queen/WEA	16	4
14.	Rubberband Man /Spinners/WEA	10	11
15.	After The Lovin' /Englebert Humperdink/CBS	20	2



POP ALBUMS

1.	Wings Over America /Wings/Capitol	1	3
2.	A New World Record /Electric Light Orchestra/UA	5	2
3.	Boston /Boston/CBS	3	6
4.	Songs In The Key Of Life /Stevie Wonder/Motown	-	10
5.	A Night On The Town /Rod Stewart/WEA	2	14
6.	Frampton Comes Alive /Peter Frampton/A&M	6	32
7.	Chicago X /Chicago/CBS	10	23
8.	Rock and Roll Over /Kiss/Quality	8	5
9.	Hotel California /Eagles/WEA	4	2
10.	Summertime Dream /Gordon Lightfoot/WEA	-	27



1050 CHUM

LW	TW	WEEK STARTING DECEMBER 31, 1977	ISSUE 1072	WKS
2	1	You're In My Heart (The Final Acclaim)	Rod Stewart	WEA 11
4	2	Blue Bayou	Linda Ronstadt	WEA 6
1	3	You Make Lovin' Fun	Fleetwood Mac	UA 12
7	4	Turn To Stone	ELO	UA 5
3	5	How Deep Is Your Love	Bee Gees	Polydor 14
8	6	Baby Come Back	Player	Polydor 5
5	7	You Light Up My Life	Debby Boone	WEA 13
6	8	Swingtown	Steve Miller	Capitol 11
9	9	Girl's School	Wings	Capitol 6

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1975-1979—(cont.)

14	10	Come Sail Away
19	11	Here You Come Again
12	12	Isn't It Time
17	13	Tried to Love
15	14	My Way
10	15	Just Remember I Love You
11	16	Don't It Make My Brown Eyes Blue
22	17	Your Smilin' Face
21	18	Closer To The Heart
13	19	We Just Disagree
16	20	We're All Alone
29	21	Slip Slidin' Away
25	22	You Really Got Me Needing You Now
18	23	Baby What A Big Surprise
27	24	It's So Easy
20	25	Sometimes When We Touch
28	26	Sentimental Lady
-	27	Just The Way You Are
-	28	Back In Love Again
23	29	Star Wars/Cantina Band
24	30	Your Back Yard

Styx	A&M	4
Dolly Parton	RCA	3
The Babys	Capitol	5
Peter Frampton	A&M	4
Elvis Presley	RCA	5
Firefall	WEA	9
Crystal Gayle	U.A.	11
James Taylor	CBS	3
Rush	Polydor	5
Dave Mason	CBS	9
Rita Coolidge	A&M	7
Paul Simon	CBS	2
Peter Pringle	WEA	3
Chicago	CBS	13
Linda Ronstadt	WEA	2
Dan Hill	GRT	14
Bob Welch	Capitol	2
Billy Joel	CBS	1
LTD	A&M	1
Meco	Quality	16
Burton Cummings	CBS	7



CHUM ALBUMS

1	1	Foot Loose & Fancy Free
2	2	Simple Dreams
4	3	Out Of The Blue
3	4	Rumours
6	5	Love Songs
5	6	I'm Glad You're Here With Me Tonight
7	7	You Light Up My Life
9	8	You Light Up My Life
8	9	Longer Fuse
13	10	News Of The World
12	11	Born Late
10	12	Olivia Newton-John's Greatest Hits
11	13	Elton John's Greatest Hits Volume 2
-	14	The Stranger
14	15	Star Wars

Rod Stewart	WEA	6
Linda Ronstadt	WEA	13
ELO	UA	6
Fleetwood Mac	WEA	44
The Beatles	Capitol	6
Neil Diamond	CBS	5
Movie Soundtrack	Capitol	8
Debby Boone	WEA	3
Dan Hill	GRT	15
Queen	WEA	2
Shaun Cassidy	WEA	3
Olivia Newton-John	MCA	9
Elton John	MCA	16
Billy Joel	CBS	1
Movie Soundtrack	GRT	36

Richard has several years of charts in his collection. If there is a specific month and year you would like to see published please contact me @ mnolan42@stn.net and I will pass your request along to Richard.

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(assisted by Nanda Lwin ('89))**

1995—1999—Correspondent needed

2000—2004—Correspondent needed

Male or Female?

As you are aware, ships have long been characterized as being female (e.g., "Steady as she goes", or "She's listing to starboard, Captain!"). Recently, a group of computer Scientists (all males) announced that computers should also be referred to as female. Their reasons for drawing this conclusion follow.

Five reasons to believe computers are female:

1. No one but the Creator understands their internal logic.
2. The native language they use to communicate with other computers is incomprehensible to everyone else.
3. The message "Bad command or file name" is about as informative as, "If you don't know why I'm mad at you, then I'm certainly not going to tell you."
4. Even your smallest mistakes are stored in long-term memory for later retrieval.
5. As soon as you make a commitment to one, you find yourself spending half your paycheck on accessories for it.

However, another group of computer scientists (all female) think that computers should be referred to as if they were male. Their reasons follow.

Five reasons to believe computers are male:

1. They have a lot of data, but are still clueless.
2. They are supposed to help you solve problems, but half the time they are the problem.
3. As soon as you commit to one, you realize that, if you had waited a little longer, you could have obtained a better model.
4. In order to get their attention, you have to turn them on.
5. Big power surges knock them out for the rest of the night.



Letters

Dear Editor,

Olav Alksnis (Class of '76) is listed on the "We Remember" page. However, my University of Toronto Faculty of Law Alumni Directory 2003, lists Olav as being alive and well, residing at 1899 County Rd., Great Barrington, Mass., USA.

Tony Saunders ('77)

(Ed. Note—Oops!)

Life is far too important to ever talk about seriously.

Oscar Wilde

All you really need to know about Government and Bureaucracy:

Pythagorean theorem	- 24 words
Lord's prayer	- 66 words
Archimedes' Principle	- 67 words
10 Commandments	- 179 words
Gettysburg address	- 286 words
Declaration of Independence	- 1,300 words
US Government regulations on the sale of cabbage	- 26,911 words

(Taken from Mountain Wings <http://www.mountainwings.com>)

FBI agents conducted a raid of a psychiatric hospital in San Diego that was under investigation for medical insurance fraud. After hours of reviewing thousands of medical records, the dozens of agents had worked up quite an appetite.

The agent in charge of the investigation called a nearby pizza parlor with delivery service to order a quick dinner for his colleagues. The following telephone conversation took place and was recorded by the FBI because they were taping all conversations at the hospital.

Agent: I'd like to order 19 large pizzas and 3 cases of soda.

Pizza Man: And where would you like them delivered?

Agent: We're over at the psychiatric hospital.

Pizza Man: The psychiatric hospital?

Agent: That's right. I'm an FBI agent.

Pizza Man: You're an FBI agent?

Agent: That's correct. Just about everybody here is.

Pizza Man: And you're at the psychiatric hospital?

Agent: That's correct. And make sure you don't go through the front doors. We have them locked. You'll have to go around to the back service entrance to deliver the pizzas.



Pizza Man: And you say you're all FBI agents there?

Agent: That's right. How soon can you have them here?

Pizza Man: Everyone at the psychiatric hospital is an FBI agent?

Agent: That's right. We've been here all day and we're starving.

Pizza Man: How are you going to pay for all of this?

Agent: We've collected a pool of cash.

Pizza Man: And you're all FBI agents?

Agent: Yes.

Pizza Man: With guns?

Agent: That's right. Now, can you remember to bring the pizzas and sodas to the service entrance in the rear? We have the front doors locked.

Pizza Man: You must be crazy!

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To realize:

The value of a sister
 Ask someone
 Who doesn't have one.
 To realize
 The value of ten years:
 Ask a newly
 Divorced couple.
 To realize
 The value of four years:
 Ask a graduate.
 To realize
 The value of one year:
 Ask a student who
 Has failed a final exam.
 To realize
 The value of nine months:
 Ask a mother who gave birth to a still born.
 To realize
 The value of one month:
 Ask a mother who has given birth to a premature
 baby.
 To realize
 The value of one week:
 Ask an editor of a weekly newspaper.
 To realize

The value of one hour:
 Ask the lovers who are waiting to Meet.
 To realize
 The value of one minute:
 Ask a person
 Who has missed the train, bus or plane.
 To realize
 The value of one-second:
 Ask a person
 Who has survived an accident.
 To realize
 The value of one millisecond:
 Ask the person who has won a silver medal in the Olympics.
 To realize the value of a friend:
 Lose one.
 Time waits For no one.
 Treasure every moment you have.
 You will treasure it even more when
 you can share it with someone special.

Submitted by Lynn Jenkins (Stevenson) ('71)

and finally...



Last flight of the Concord



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