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History of Clarkson – Lorne Park Area

(Taken from The Key—1968-69)

The first white man known to have inhabited the Clarkson-Lorne Park area was Thomas Ingersoll, the father of Laura Secord. He ran a post-house at the mouth of the Credit River for soldiers traveling between Niagara and York in 1798. This occurred when the land between Etobicoke and Burlington belonged to the Mississauga Indians, whose main burial ground was just east of the present Mississauga Golf Club clubhouse. The Indians had a church and a school which were set up by Egerton Ryerson. In 1805 ten Mississauga chiefs sold their lands to the government and the next year the southerly portion by the lake was surveyed, reserving one mile either side of the river for the exclusive use by the Indians. By 1807 it was ready for settlement.

The Original Settlers:

One of the first settlers to our district was Warren Clarkson who moved from Albany, New York, at 15. His home has been rehabilitated by Major John Barnett, who now lives in it. Clarkson's barn was once moved and used as a fruit market. Now over one hundred and fifty years old, it is an antique store on the Lakeshore Highway near Clarkson Road. Many of the settlers then were United Empire Loyalists who wished to live under the British flag and so came to Canada after the American Revolution. In 1820, a road from the mouth of the Credit to the Humber was built. This wasn't a dirt trail like the other roads around, but a corduroy road. The first bridge across the river was erected at this time too. By 1834, Stage Coaches were able to make the journey from York to Hamilton and passed through Clarkson on the way. These and other improvements encouraged people

to live here.

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One of the oldest places in the area is the cemetery on Clarkson Road which has stones dated as early as 1825 and a memorial dated 1812. It served the area from the lake to Dundas Street. The early settlers were hard working people with simple tastes but good lives. For fun at night the girls would have spinning parties. After awhile their brothers came to pick them up but before they left there would be some dancing. They usually would be home before nine.

Captain Arthur Harris came from serving the British army in India to Clarkson in 1850. His home "Benares" near Wedmore Way was off Clarkson Road. It was this home on which Mazo de la Roche based her famous novels of "Jalna".

A right-of-way was secured across Clarkson's lots but the Great Western Railway in 1853. The station here was called Clarkson's Corner but the Corner was dropped long ago; the apostrophe s wasn't dropped until 1956. The Clarkson area had a fine reputation for growing strawberries which Indians from the Cayuga Reserves used to pick. During this time, the station was steadily bringing in pickers and shipping away fruits to Toronto. In the summers of 1912 and 1913 a hostel for girls was set up on the land where the Glen Leven Golf Club used to be south of the Lakeshore Highway. They were given room and board for three dollars a week and they were able to make six to nine dollars a week berry picking.

Summer Playground in Lone Park In Lorne Park, the land which we now call the Lorne Park Estates was "Discovered" in 1877 by people from Toronto and Hamilton who wished to get the benefits of country air. They traveled by wagon, train or steamer to spend a day, a week or the whole summer in this 75 acres park. It opened officially in 1879 and advertised many types of amusements such as: a billiard parlor, a shooting gallery, swings, a dancing pavilion, and a bar. A.E.

Luker built tennis courts and a bowling alley for the park. The Park was named after the Marquis of Lorne, Governor General of Canada from 1878 to 1883, and the hotel there was named after his wife, Princess Louise. There is a story that when the invitations for the grand opening were printed, the 2 letters "s" and "i" of Louise were mixed so that they read "named in honour of Princess Lousie." After awhile people began to build cottages in the Park, and gradually its popularity as an amusement area declined. It was completely finished off when the crowd waiting for the ferry to Toronto was knocked down as the wharf collapsed. Now the Lorne Park Estates is owned by private, permanent residents.

Telephone made their appearance in 1881 when the line linking Toronto and Hamilton was put up. The first telephone in the area was installed in Hamilton's general store in Port Credit. Lorne Park's post office of logs opened in 1890 north of the railway tracks and on the west side of Lorne Park road, with Arthur Shaver as postmaster. Alfred Weaver Sr. bought the property across the tracks in 1929 and after Clarence Albertson, he became the third postmaster with the post office contained in his general store.

The Lakeshore Highway was paved in 1914 and was the first of its kind in Canada. During W.W.1 soldiers marched along it from their summer camp in Niagara-on-the-Lake to winter quarters in Toronto. Usually they reached the Clarkson-Lorne Park vicinity about lunchtime. and the local ladies provided them with homemade baking. The main road north of Lakeshore was also well traveled and in 1939 it was widened to 4 lanes and had lights added. Queen Elizabeth and King George were in Canada at this time and opened the Queen Elizabeth (cont. pg. 3)

Highway.

Later Industry:

During the 1940's and 1950's bigger industry came to the area. It was in 1943 that the B.A. Oil Refinery went into operation here and now it is Canada's most complete refinery. (Ed. note: this article was originally written in 1972) The St. Lawrence Cement Co. came to Clarkson in 1955 and is now the second largest cement company in Canada. In 1963 the Province of Ontario decided to build their multimillion dollar research centre in Clarkson, just west of the fifth line and north of the North Service Road. It was built expressly for industrial research and is the only centre of its kind in North America. Scientists, both young and experienced are coming to this development.

And Today:

The Clarkson-Lorne Park district has advanced a great deal since it was the hunting grounds of the Mississauga Indians, and it is hard to imagine the Q.E.W. and Lakeshore Highways as two muddy trails through the wilderness, or the quiet and sedate Lorne Park Estates as a wild rollicking park to which some five thousand might come in one Sunday alone. Today, a trip to Toronto takes about thirty minutes, but by wagon it used to take about four hours. All the new stores and plazas in the area have developed as the need for commuter service arose just as when Warren Clarkson put up his general store in 1840.

As they expanded, Clarkson and Lorne Park came closer together until eventually they were united when they both became part of the town of Mississauga. What name could unite them any better?

Investment tips for 2005

For all of you with any money left In the wake of the Exxon/Mobil deal and the AOL/Time Warner implode, be aware of the next expected mergers so that you can get in on the ground floor and make some BIG bucks. Watch for these consolidations in 2005.

1) Hale Business Systems, Mary Kay Cosmetics, Fuller Brush, and W. R.Grace Co. will merge and become: Hale, Mary, Fuller, Grace.

2) Polygram Records, Warner Bros., and Zesta Crackers join forces and become: Poly, Warner Cracker.

3) 3M will merge with Goodyear and issue forth as: MMMGood.

 Zippo Manufacturing, Audi Motors, Dofasco, and Dakota Mining will merge and become: ZipAudiDoDa.

5) FedEx is expected to join its major competitor, UPS, and become: FedUP.

6) Fairchild Electronics and Honeywell Computers will become: Fairwell Honeychild.

7) Grey Poupon and Docker Pants are expected to become: Poupon Pants.

8) Knotts Berry Farm and the National Organization of Women will become: Knott NOW!

9) Victoria's Secret and Smith & Wesson will merge under the new name: Titty Titty Bang Bang.

Best Single Ad

This has to be one of the best singles ads ever printed. It is reported to have been listed in The Atlanta Journal.

SINGLE BLACK FEMALE seeks male companionship, ethnicity unimportant. I'm a very good looking girl who LOVES to play. I love long walks in the woods, riding in your pickup truck, hunting, camping, and fishing trips, cozy winter nights lying by the fire. Candlelight dinners will have me eating out of your hand. I'll be at the front door when you get home from work; wearing only what nature gave me. Call (404) 875-6420 and ask for Daisy, I'll be waiting...

Over 15,000 men found themselves talking to the Atlanta Humane Society about an 8-week-old black Labrador retriever.



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# Absolutely Useless (and possibly incorrect) Facts

The first couple to be shown in bed together on prime time TV was Fred and Wilma Flintstone.

#### Coca-Cola was originally green.

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Every day more money is printed for Monopoly than the US Treasury.

Men can read smaller print than women can; women can hear better.

The State with the highest percentage of people who walk to work: Alaska

The percentage of Africa that is wilderness: 28% (now get this...) The percentage of North America that is wilderness: 38%

The cost of raising a medium-size dog to the age of eleven: \$6,400

The average number of people airborne over the US any given hour: 61,000

Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair.

The world's youngest parents were 8 and 9 and lived in China in 1910.

The youngest pope was 11 years old.

The first novel ever written on a typewriter: Tom Sawyer.

Those San Francisco Cable cars are the only mobile National Monuments.

Each king in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history: Spades - King David, Hearts - Charlemagne, Clubs -Alexander, the Great Diamonds - Julius Caesar

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If a statue in the park of a person on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died in battle.

If the horse has one front leg in the air, the person died as a result of wounds received in battle.

If the horse has all four legs on the ground, the person died of natural causes.

Only two people signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4th, John Hancock and Charles Thomson. Most of the rest signed on August 2, but the last signature wasn't added until 5 years later.

"I am." is the shortest complete sentence in the English language.

Hershey's Kisses are called that because the machine that make them looks like it's kissing the conveyor belt.

No NFL team which plays its home games in a domed stadium has ever won a Super bowl.

The only two days of the year in which there are no professional sports games (MLB, NBA, NHL, or NFL) are the day before and the day after the Major League allstars Game.

Q. What occurs more often in December than any other month?

A. Conception.

Q. What separates "60 Minutes," on CBS from every other TV show?

A. No theme song

Q. Half of all Americans live within 50 miles of what? A. Their birthplace.

Q. Most boat owners name their boats. What is the most popular boat name requested?

A. Obsession

Q. If you were to spell out numbers, how far would you have to go until you would find the letter "A"? A. One thousand

Q. What do bulletproof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers, and laser printers all have in common? A. All invented by women.

Q. What is the only food that doesn't spoil? A. Honey

Q. There are more collect calls on this day than any other day of the year?

A. Father's Day

Q. What trivia fact about Mel Blanc (voice of Bugs Bunny) is the most ironic?

A. He was allergic to carrots.

Q. What is an activity performed by 40% of all people at a party?

A. Snoop in your medicine cabinet.

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"Into the Unknown"— Lynn Jenkins (Stevenson) ('71) www.marylynnstevenson.com

Originating in India, Thai Yoga massage is among the ancient forms of healing. It was taken to Thailand over 2000 years ago by Ayurvedic doctors and Buddhist monks.

This unique and powerful massage therapy is a combination of acupressure, energy balancing, stretching, martial art movements, rhythmic motion, palming and thumbing along energy lines.

And I must tell you, unique and powerful it is! I went to my session totally unprepared for what I was about to experience. Traditional Thai massage can look back at a long history of therapeutic healing experience. If one traces the evolution of the techniques of healing massage practiced in Thailand, one discovers the astonishing fact that the earliest roots of Thai massage lie not in Thailand but in India. The legendary founder of the art is believed to have been a doctor from Northern India. Known as Jivaka Kumar Bhaccha, he was a contemporary of the Buddha and personal physician to

the Magadha King Bimbisara over 2,500 years The ago. teachings of Kumar Bhaccha probably reached what is now Thailand at the same time as Buddhism as early as the 3rd or 2nd century BC.



The theoretical foundation of Thai massage is based on the concept of invisible energy lines running through the body. The Indian origin and influ-

ence is obvious here since the background of this theory clearly lies in Yoga philosophy. Yoga philosophy states that life energy (called Prana) is absorbed with the air we breathe and with the food that we eat. Along a network of energy lines, the Prana Nadis, the human being is then supplied with this vital energy. Out of these energy lines Thai massage has selected 10 mainlines on which there are especially important acupressure points. Massaging these lines and points makes it possible to treat a whole range of diseases or to relieve pain. The 10 mainlines are sufficient to conduct practical treatment for the whole body and its internal organs. Disturbances in the flow of energy result in an insufficient supply of Prana, which will in turn lead to sickness. Working on the energy lines with massage can break the blocks, stimulate the free flow of Prana, and help to restore general well-being.

Looking back at the tradition of Thai massage it is very clear that it was never seen as a mere job.

> Massage was always considered to be a spiritual practice closely connected with the teachings of the Buddha, Until fairly recently it was the Buddhist temple, where massage was taught and practiced. Even today one of the most important massage schools in Thailand is at the Wat Po monastery in Bangkok. The establishment of

legitimate massage facilities outside of the temples is a recent development.

The giving of massage was understood to be a physical application



of Metta, the Pali (and Thai) word used in Theravada Buddhism to denote 'loving kindness' and devoted masseurs still work in such a spirit today. A truly good

masseur performs his art in a meditative mood. He starts with a Puja, a meditative prayer, to fully center himself on the work, on the healing he is about to perform. And he works with full awareness, mindfulness and concentration. There is a world of a difference between a massage performed in a meditative mood and a massage just done as a job. Only a masseur working in a meditative mood can develop an intuition for the energy flow in the body and for the Prana lines.

Contrary to Western style massage, traditional Thai massage does not primarily work with the physical body but rather with the energy body of man. The kneading of muscles, which dominates in Western style massage, is absent from Thai massage: energy points are pressed or general pressure is used instead. There is a lot of stretching involved and many exercises might well be described as 'applied Hatha Yoga' or 'applied physical Yoga'. Rather than using the term 'Thai massage', it wouldn't be a bad idea to actually call it 'Yoga massage' since that's what this art essentially is.

So within one decade Thai massage has regained the credibility it rightly deserves and not only has Thai massage survived but is more established than ever.

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ElderCare 101

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Pat Irwin ('72)

Q. There is so much in the news lately about feeding tubes and end-of-life decisions. What should I know, and how can I approach my parents?

A. There is indeed much more awareness about end-of-life decisions with the recent Schiavo case in the USA, as well as the generally aging population. It is estimated that only 15% of Canadians have completed a 'living will' outlining their wishes in the event of a terminal situation. Before any discussion with your parents, become informed on the facts.

Completing a **Power of Attorney** legally allows another person to make decisions regarding care and property on your behalf. There are two types:

- *The Power of Attorney for Property allows a designated person to make decisions and transactions such as paying bills, selling assets and withdrawing funds. It may be general, or specific to the type of transaction (e.g. closing a house) or period (e.g. while you are out of the country)
- *The Power of Attorney for Personal Care enables your designate to make personal care decisions, both for day-to-day living, resuscitation and end-of-life. A Living Will may be included in this document
- *Powers of Attorney forms may be completed by a lawyer, or you can use the forms distributed by the Ministry of the Attorney General (Ontario) at <u>www.attorneygeneral.just.gov.on.ca</u> or click on <u>The Ministry of the Attorney</u> <u>General</u> and select 'Power of Attorney'.

There are two important things to remember about both types of Powers of Attorney:

- *they are only invoked when the person is incapacitated, which may be subject to interpretation in cases of dementia and other illnesses. In this case a Capacity Assessment may be required by a medical professional or the Office of the Public Trustee.
- *all Powers of Attorney cease at death, in which case, property decisions are dictated by the Will.

A **Living Will** addresses a person's desire for care within the context of 'quality of life', such as pain management and administering aggressive treatments to prolong life. These are highly personal topics, best documented in a Living Will or 'advance directive'. Forms are available from the Dying With Dignity Association at www.dyingwithdignity.ca.

Finally, who should be chosen as an Attorney? No, it needn't be a lawyer! Choose someone whom you trust, is familiar with your life, opinions and personal wishes, and with whom you would be comfortable sharing personal information. The person should have the time and skill required, ideally be of a similar or younger age than you are, and, most importantly, be willing to take on the task. It is wise to appoint a substitute to the primary attorney; up to three attorneys may be named.

What if no candidate comes to mind – or it's anticipated that the family members will not sufficiently agree to be effective attorneys? A lawyer or trust company may be appointed. If necessary, appointed attorneys may also be revoked and a substitute appointed.

Having the discussion with your parents may not be as tough as you anticipate. Most of my clients assure me, "the only way I'm leaving here is feet first in a pine box!" I usually tell them that's fine, but if you don't make any plans, someone else will have to make them for you – and you might not like the result. Tell them that you're making your own plans (and do so), provide the information, then follow through. A trusted friend, lawyer, doctor or clergy member might also help broach the subject.

A gloomy thoughts? Not really – just practical – and both you and your folks will be relieved when everything's resolved in black and white.

Wealth Management - David Finley ('88) (Clearsight Wealth Mgmt.)

THE FEDERAL BUDGET & YOUR SAVINGS

On February 23rd, Finance Minister Ralph Goodale and the minority Liberal government unveiled the 2005 federal budget. Reaction has included comments such as "surprisingly bold", "spending budget", and "something for everyone". Other reaction has been more muted, summing the budget up as being consistent with the Liberal election platform, with enough opposition measures included to ensure its passage in the House. Regardless of the varied opinions that are surfacing, it is obvious that Ottawa has decided to begin to spend the surplus that has been accumulating over the last several years. What follows is an overview of where these dollars are being directed, and some features of the budget that will have a noticeable effect on investors.

Investors

There are four primary investor interest pieces to the new budget. One win comes for higher income earners needing to sock away larger amounts for retirement. The increase in contribution limits to registered savings plans are scheduled to rise to \$19,000 in 2007, and increase by \$1,000 per year until 2010, where the limit will be capped at \$22,000.

If you were growing weary of longer than necessary mutual fund names, then some help is on its way. At least 3 letters will be eliminated from many fund titles, namely R, S & P. This is due to the overnight elimination of the 30% foreign content restriction. This is also good news for investors because the RSP clone funds generally carry higher fees, and elimination of the restriction also makes for easier diversified investing.

Of interest to some might be the allowance of gold bullion and silver coins as qualified investments for registered plans, creating one more asset class that you can hold in your RRSP.

Finally, GIC investors should be happy to learn that the Canadian Deposit Insurance Corporation's (CDIC's) coverage limit on insurable deposits will immediately be increased to \$100,000 from \$60,000.

Also worth mentioning is Ralph Goodale's statement that a meeting with the provinces is scheduled for March with an objective of coming to an agreement on a "new, enhanced system" of securities legislation before the end of the year. Any move away from the fragmented securities regulation system that is now in place should be a good thing for investors and their advisors.

The Elderly

Canada's population is aging. Over the next 25 years, it is expected that the ratio of the elderly to the rest of the population will rise to 40%. As any investor who has taken a look at retirement funding knows, the equation is not easily reconciled.

Ottawa is addressing this issue with a monthly increase in the Guaranteed Income Supplement. The result will be an extra \$36 for singles and \$58 for couples per month by January 2007. As well, the personal exemption will increase to \$10,000 by 2009. This will help about 240,000 current retirees and another 860,000 low income earners to escape the tax rolls entirely. As well, the requirement to convert Life Income Funds (LIFs) to annuities at age 80 is gone, thus decreasing taxable income for a number of senior citizens.

Asset Allocation - Where will the government allocate your tax assets?

High level budget features include \$12 billion in new defense spending, \$3.4 billion worth of increases in foreign aid, \$5 billion committed to early learning and child care, and \$1 billion to a "clean fund" to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Also, \$805 million is to be spent on new healthcare projects. This is in addition to the \$41.3 billion in healthcare funding already designated for provincial transfers over the next 10 years.

Room to spare

Delightfully, this "something for everyone" budget is not going to break the bank. The 2005 budget

Wealth Management - (cont.)

marks Ottawa's eighth consecutive balanced budget and the federal government will continue to set aside \$3 billion per year in contingency reserves. Untapped reserves will go to pay down the national debt on an ongoing basis.

In the end, the budget was not all that everyone had hoped for, but in a democratic society, how could it Individual tax payers may be? have hoped for something more than the increase in the personal exemption and RRSP contribution limits. Corporate tax payers may have been looking for a larger reduction in the corporate tax rate than they received. The \$500,000 lifetime capital gains exemption for small business owners has not changed for years, and some were expecting an increase. However, most of the changes appear to be positive for most people, which may be an unexpected result of a minority government.

To find out how the new budget implications will affect your investment portfolio, contact a Clearsight Investment Advisor at **1-877-464-** 6104 or e-mail your questions to invest@clearsight.ca

CLEARSIGHT LAUNCHES NEW ALUMNI BENEFIT

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year save unusual events, like takeovers or drastic changes in dividend payments.

To learn more about the RRSP Stock Portfolio and how you can invest in the portfolio call **1-877-464-6104** and speak to a Clearsight Investment Advisor.

The question is asked, "Is there anything more beautiful in life than a young couple clasping hands and pure hearts in the path of marriage? Can there be anything more beautiful than young love?"

And the answer is given. "Yes, there is a more beautiful thing. It is the spectacle of an old man and an old woman finishing their journey together on that path. Their hands are gnarled, but still clasped; their faces are seamed, but still radiant; their hearts are physically bowed and tired, but still strong with love and devotion for one another. Yes, there is a more beautiful thing than young love. Old love."

~Author Unknown~

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Portam Futuro Aperimus

The latin motto for the school that appears on the crest was chosen from selections submitted in a contest at the time, likely in 1958. A classmate and friend of mine, Mary Whatmough ('59) won with her "Portam Futuro Aperimus". That's how I remember it anyway. I'd love to know where Mary is now. She was in Barrie many years ago, but now ?

Submitted by Pat Conron (Henderson) ('59)

(Ed.note—"Portam Futuro Aperimus" basically translates to "We are opening the doors to the future." (according to Dwight Skeates ('82).)



Principal's Message

(The following is taken from the Lorne Park Secondary School website—http://www.peel.edu.on.ca/~lorneprk/ principalsmessage.html)

Welcome to the Lorne Park Secondary School Web Page/Site. Lorne Park is an exciting and rewarding school community with a wide variety of programs and an excellent academic reputation in all disciplines. We house a regional program for enhanced students and offer courses for students in the extended French program. Lorne Park also offers a wide range of extra-curricular activities for our students which include teacher-sponsored clubs and athletics. Many of our school teams and performing groups hold district and provincial championships. This would not be possible without the dedication of our students, our teacher coaches and sponsors, and the support of our parents in the community.

Student leadership, which is supported and encouraged at Lorne Park, is evident throughout the building. Our enthusiastic student council consistently seeks ways to enhance school spirit and our student yearbook team is always ready to capture these and other memories on film. Our prefects continue to provide leadership by assisting the administration with our parent nights, and among many other activities, raising money for various charities. Their work is recognized both in the school and the community. Our grad committee is also busy ensuring that our graduates have wonderful memories to take with them. We are also very proud to have one of the student trustees that represent all Peel students on the school board.

As principal, I am pleased and proud to be part of the Lorne Park School Community. We also welcome your suggestion as to what to include on our Web site. Please e-mail us at <u>LPSpartans@hotmail.com</u>.

"Don't take yourself too seriously. And don't be too serious about not taking yourself too seriously." *Howard Oqden*

(cont. from pg. 4)

In Shakespeare's time, mattresses were secured on bed frames by ropes. When you pulled on the ropes the mattress tightened, making the bed firmer to sleep on. Hence the phrase "goodnight, sleep tight".

It was the accepted practice in Babylon 4,000 years ago that for a month after the wedding, the bride's father would supply his son-in-law with all the mead he could drink. Mead is a honey beer and because their calendar was lunar based, this period was called the honey month or what we know today as the honeymoon.

In English pubs, ale is ordered by pints and quarts. So in old England, when customers got unruly, the bar-

tender would yell at them mind their own pints and quarts and settle down. It's where we get the phrase "mind your P's and Q's"

Many years ago in England, pub frequenters had a whistle baked into the rim or handle of their ceramic cups. When they needed a refill, they used the whistle to get some service. "Wet your whistle" is the phrase inspired by this practice.

-----AND FINALLY-------In Scotland, a new game was invented. It was entitled Gentlemen Only Ladies Forbidden ... and thus the word GOLF entered into English.

(Taken from Mountain Wings #5029)



Letters

I would like to commend you on a fantastic medium. Its been good to see where people are and what they are doing. Too bad more don't register. Thanks. SE

As always I have enjoyed reading another LPSS Matters. Thanks. MJ

Great newsletter. Thanks! LD

Thanks for all your efforts. RG

Happy New Year to everyone, you guys do a fantastic job. I love hearing about all the goings on from LPSS. CM

Love the newsletters...thanks for sending them. JD

January issue LPSS Matters received with thanks. MB

I think it's great. AC

Thanks for all of the effort you have put into the web site and LPSS Matters issues. CT

You guys do a GREAT job keeping us updated - thanks so much! ME

Good newsletter. DW

Thanks for all your diligent work in locating everyone. Thanks for caretaking all these memories of long ago. CT

I do enjoy looking through LPSS Matters when it's sent out... so thanks for your ongoing efforts. HM

You have done an amazing amount of great work on all of this. BC

Nice job. HO

I appreciate what a great job you are doing with the website. AR

A great site - was just told about it today and have submitted my information. CH

I would like to make sure that the committee, who have organized the web site and you put their time into writing the newsletters, realize how much it is appreciated by the grads. CT

Thanks and keep up the good work. CW

Take care and thanks for your hard work. JH

Great job with the site! The content of the newsletter is really interesting, keep up the good work. AF

We Remember...

I wanted to let you know that my older brother Robert (Bob) Woolvett passed away suddenly on Jan/18/05. I believe he graduated in 1967 or 68. *Greg Woolvett ('71)*

"It is better to keep your mouth shut and appear stupid than to open it and remove all doubt."

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

I have had some enquires of the availability of year books for our era. I have scanned all the year books up to 1965 which I have distributed free of charge to a few individuals (Everybody wanted to pay – costs to me \$2.50). I will mail out free a CD containing all our year books (57/65) if you provide one LPSS contact information from the student list of 1957 to 1965 on pages 2 & 3 of the last newsletter & make a donation to cancer.

Email addresses are what we are looking for, but we accept phone numbers and/or addresses. We will use this info for the up coming Reunion in 2007. The donation to cancer is because I am a volunteer driver for cancer but if you have a favourite charity go ahead and twist my arm. **Mark October 19-21, 2007** on your calendar. These are the dates for the LPSS 50th Anniversary Reunion. More information to follow.



1958 White Oaks Public School Grade 8 Graduation Class – photo from **John Hilditch ('65).**

Front row: Elizabeth (Betty) Elliot (according to John Hilditch – could be Jonna Nielsen), Elisabeth Koch, Jane Anstee, Bruce Holliger Middle row: Brian Spalding, Mr. R. (Bob) Johnston, Mr. A.E. Bates (Arnold), Rick Gorman, Doug Smith Back row: Doug Dent, Fred Hilditch, Vern Festing, Steve Wallace

Bruce Conron ('63) - The White Oaks photo (Spring 1958?) evoked memories of some of my LPSS class mates - Eliz Koch, Steve Wallace, Doug Smith, Doug Dent. I knew a Doug Spaulding - Brian's brother. I recall he was a NY Rangers fan in the late 50s - when the Rangers were a dreadful team - that part hasn't changed.

Doug Edward ('64) - I may be shaky on Chuck Templeton, Mary Jane Morris, and Bruce Holliger (he used to wear glasses), but I am pretty certain on the rest. I thought Chuck was in our year at some point, although maybe that was in high school. We used to go over to his place and Bart Crashley's place where there was always a back yard rink. Chuck's Dad used to flood their tennis court, and Bart's Dad made boards. I remember the day Doug Smith kicked a

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soccer ball into Mike Gibson's face at recess on the Whiteoaks grounds. Mike was a friend of my brother Tom, and everyone was very angry because they thought Doug did it on purpose. I told Doug I would meet him just off the school grounds that afternoon, and teach him a lesson. I obviously had forgotten that I was a shrimp in those days, and was nicknamed "Mousie" and the "Mouz Cat", which I loathed, by Frenchie (Richard French) because I was so damn small. I met Doug off the school grounds, on the walkway between Truscott and Whiteoaks Park, at the north east corner of the school grounds, and after absorbing about 25 shots to the head while Doug had me in a headlock, I decided that maybe I ought to leave policing to the big guys. I sure taught him a lesson! His knuckles were sore for weeks. My skull was just fine, being thick enough to handle it.



LPSS 1958 Grad 10 class while at T.L. Kennedy – from Dick Gregory ('62)

Front row left to right: Clive Cudmore, Jean Clarkson, Marjorie Blake, Jackie Barclay, Judy Johnson, Sue McMurray, Hilda MacNamara, Lyn Harris, Linda Fletcher, John Winegar. Back row left to right: Lawrence Weeks, Adrian Byl, Richard Chretien, Joe (Foster) Stone, Don Pemberton, Paul Funston, Dick Gregory, Bob Wills, Mike Gibson

Peter Harvey (**'63)** - Yeah, see I said it was 1958. That was my class, but I left for Edmonton during the year, otherwise I'd have been in that photo. The photo I have then would been before that, because I'm in it, with most of these people. Peter is looking for that photo. **Dale Perigoe** (**'60)** - Oh. those bobby sox. "Let's go to the Hop"! A few recognizables: Linda Fletcher, Sue McMurray, Paul Funston.

1957—1964 (cont.)

Phil Errett ('63) - Hey Fred. I really enjoyed re-reading the Jan issue of *LPSS Matters*. For whatever reason; doing some old address book updating, an old buddy popped up – AI Van Wagner. I know he was in California back in the early '70s and I think he is still there. Made me think of other buds I hung with like Ed and John attached. I am somewhat technology challenged so I hope the attached photo isn't too large. Sorry Phil – that is **Dave Harrison ('64)**, **Ed Baggaley ('63)** and you, **Phil Errett** ('64) in the picture.



Pat Conron (Henderson) ('59) - My son Dave Henderson (LPSS mid 80's) recently told me about this site, so I have been looking at the newsletters this evening. All three of our children graduated from LPSS, so it has been quite interesting. You have done an amazing amount of great work on all of this. Thanks to Pat, we found her brothers **Bruce ('63) & Murray ('64) Conron**

Mary Lou May ('60) - Fred, As you know **JD Gamble ('60)** has a hotmail address only AND he does NOT own a computer. Sooooh, the only time he picks up his mail is when he is visiting someone who does. I am therefore including JD's website so that Karen might try to reach him by phone or fax. It is <u>http://www.geocities.com/Eureka/Office/2496/.</u> His company is Wayward Wind Charters in Sointula on Malcolm Island, Vancouver Island. Have a look yourself; there is a picture of him on the last page.

Karen Kerr ('63) Thanks for putting me in the loop. And thanks for your help re Vancouver. JD Gamble called me from there yesterday and we had a nice chat. So now we're both up to date on who is doing what, and with whom... Have a nice lunch at the Queen's Head - I'm within walking distance and have eaten there often. Hugs to Marg't.

<u>1957—1964</u> (cont.)

On Monday February 7th Fred, **Marg Dyne (MacLennan) ('62), Marna Dent (Martin) ('66)** and I (**Sandra Lindsay '64)** got together for lunch at the Queen's Head in Oakville. Fred, you are great at organizing these things and at bringing so many people together! I am getting to meet lots of people that I didn't know in high school. We talked cats, dogs, careers, kids. Good job once again, Fred! Sorry you didn't get a word in edgewise.



From Marna: Dear Fred, Got all three e-mails - gave me my first smile of the day! Thanks. Gerry turns 58 the end of January, and I turned 57 in mid Dec. so we were in the same school year - '66! Gerry lives in south east Oakville with his wife and 4 boys, ages 21 to 30, Doug lives in the Beaches in Toronto! I would love to have coffee with you and Marg. I'm in Ottawa at meetings next week, Jan. 12 - 14th, but other than that I'm around all month. My office is in downtown Oakville within a block of Bean There Timothy's, Croissant Express and Tim Horton's if you're thinking of coffee or a quicker lunch. For a more casual lunch, anywhere is good. I'll just need a little notice of date so can arrange my schedule. I did run into Marg awhile ago, but generally rarely see anyone from LPSS unfortunately. This will be fun!

Marg's Xmas Lunch Dec 13 - Lunch with Mary Lou May '60, Mike Thorne '60, Larry Curtis '61, Sandra Lindsay '64, Fred '63. Oh! Bye the way, Marg couldn't make it. Fred says I forgot to write this one up. I think he forgot to ask me. One of us is getting forgetful in our old age. It can't possibly be me! We met at East Side Mario's in Oakville Place. It was great to meet some new people from Lorne Park (new to me). Every time some familiar surnames would come up, I would ask "Did that person have a brother/sister named ...?" Larry and I found out we had grown up near each other in Clarkson. Great lunch as usual. Thanks, Fred!

John Elsasser ('64) - Kinda fun to read through old newsletters. Recently had get-together with Richard French ('65) who mentioned your project. Hell of a lot of work. I find it a bit odd to look back, but must confess to a wave or two of warm feelings when thinking way back to Hillcrest (grade 1) Clarkson (kindergarten, grades 2, 3) and Whiteoaks (4-8 -- didn't notice an article on that one –Fred, it is coming). Don't 'spose your brother John would remember me particularly, but hi to him in any case. Thanks for the reply, Fred. Nothing to tell really--single and living downtown TO all my life, worked in theatre production for 25 years, for last several have been doing web stuff for one of the Ontario gov. ministries. I find that looking back is a bit odd, pleasant but with feelings somewhat mixed. It was a long time ago, eh. Try John at http://www.exarte.com John has provided us more photos for our **Who, When Where** which will be coming out in April.

1957—1964 (cont.)

Fred: Last time I heard **Ron De Jaray ('63)** was out in Vancouver and I think **Margie Irwin ('62)** is in Sydney on the island. I think I might have Marg's address and I bet **Jim Grant ('62)** knows how to get hold of Ron. I will look for Marg's address. Don't know whether Karen knows either of these folks or not! Thanks for putting me in touch with Larry Curtis. We have corresponded and it was nice to hear from him......and Fred don't put this in the newsletter please!!!!! –Larry don't tell anybody who sent this email. Actually 'the who' is answered some where else in this newsletter.

Diane Radke (Hanton) ('63) - Talking about 60ths. and yes, they were mentioned in the newsletter by Nancy Coles. My husband's 60th birthday is in December- and he's feeling rather low about the prospect. Just wondering if any of the LPSS's might know of or have cheap digs for rent in, say, Mexico, Hawaii or some other warm, but not necessarily exotic place. This would certainly help him over the hump-and since I'm warming up for mine next year-I can legitimately celebrate a tad early too! Thanks, Fred. Perhaps you'll hear of something interesting!

Linda Fletcher ('61) - Bob Baker ('61) and I started dating in Grade 12. He was my football hero. I became a teacher and taught for the South Peel Board of Education (now Mississauga) for 2 yrs. We got married in 1964, moved to Waterloo where he was studying Civil Engineering at U. of W. and I continued teaching. When Bob graduated in 1968 we moved to North York with our daughter Cheryl (3 yrs) and our son Stephen was born shortly after. In 1970 our 2nd son Craig arrived. We still live in the same area. Bob was an environmental engineer for 17 yrs. then changed careers and became a financial advisor with London Life and has been with them for 19 yrs. I was a stay-at-home Mom when the children were young - have worked part time for many years as an office manager for a small office and more recently a librarian at the Wynford Group (North York) where our daughter works. Cheryl, is married with 2 children - Madison, 10 yrs., Jason, 7 yrs. Cheryl is a senior account executive for The Wynford Group which does Incentive Travel/Conference Management for corporate groups. Stephen, is married and has 1 son, Justin, 3 1/2 yrs.- lives in Toronto. He is a customer relations manager in the Xerox document services division. Craig, is married and has 2 children - Grant, 3 1/2 yrs., Holly, 1 yr. Craig lives in Essex (near Windsor) and is a funeral director, as well as his wife, for the Reid Funeral Home (homes in Learnington and Essex). This is our family in a "nutshell'. More from Linda - Carol Sheppard lived in Marigold Cres. - now living in Nanaimo, B.C. Orval Crawford also lived in Marigold Cres. Ken Pipes lived on Clarkson Rd. S. (East side) just north of Clarkson P.S - don't know where he is now. Thanks for the histories. FYI - re picture Clarkson Public School - I grew up in Clarkson. My parents farm - originally my grandfather Fletcher's - (now subdivision opposite Herridge's market) was just north of the BA Refinery. Fletcher's farm was in the A. Marigold area of the of the 1877 map referred to in the history of Owenwood PS. I have a book on Clarkson ('Clarkson and its Many Corners') - says my grandfather purchased 18 acres in 1914 - Lot 30, Con. 3, I attended Clarkson PS for all 8 grades as did my sister and brother. Miss Hall was my Grade 7 & 8 teacher. Several of my public school friends lived in Marigold Crescent - Thanks to Linda

Bill Muns ('64) -Thanks for the latest issue of the Lorne Park Newsletter. I noticed that you had not found my sister, **Caroline Muns ('62)**, married name Zomer. Carol still lives near the old homestead on Ludbrook Court, Mississauga. Thanks Fred for your devoted efforts on keeping the Lorne Park family together. Let's make a point of meeting up this year.

Bill Duff ('62) – Bill lives with his wife and 2 children in Halton Hills. Bill's company operates a roads maintenance company that services the Halton Region. His mother soon to be 94 was widowed in Dec/2004 and lives in the same home that Bill and his brothers and sisters (Joanne & Bruce etc, etc) grew up in.

Thanks to: Bill, Sandra, Honey, Doug, Linda, John, Dick, Pat, Phil, Mary Lou, Karen, Marna, John, Diane

"The really frightening thing about middle age is the knowledge that you'll grow out of it"

Doris Day



"You can get much further with a kind word and a gun than you can with a kind word alone."

Al Capone

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

<u>1970–1974</u> Dana-Leigh Tisdale ('71) - dlt13@shaw.ca

Doug McLeod ('71) - Hi everyone! My family (Bruce '68, Barb '70 and John [LPSS Grade 9 - 1971, Westmount High '73]) moved to Lorne Park in 1965 from Beaconsfield, Quebec. I was the only one in the family who was privileged enough (?) to spend the full five years of high school at LPSS. I played Bantam football, and then wised up before playing Junior. I have some fleeting memories of being a member of a club or two, and I was on Student Council in Grade 9 or 10 (I can't imagine what I was thinking about so

intensely in those days that rendered these details so dim...I guess it was my studies). Oh yeah, I was in *I Remember Mama* playing Mr. Hyde. LPSS was very good to me and, after a brief sojourn at summer school, I went to Carleton University in Ottawa. But that's another story, for another day...

At LPSS I was totally in love with Dot Bonham, Marilyn Christie, Barb Raney, Pamela Salter, Glady Hester, Barb Bonham, Diana Hunt, Natalie Wood, Marilyn Ford, Anita Bouma (in a sort of avuncular way), Mary-Anne "Charlie" Horn, all the Hind sisters, Denise Ionita and the fries from the Chip Truck. I even ended up meeting a couple of these women...



1971 Graduation

Since then, I've been in the Transportation Business (cab driver), worked in a bank, was a stock broker and, for the past 14 years, I've been in the recycled pulp and paper business. I live in Vancouver with my beautiful...ah....ah...furniture. I was married briefly in the mid-80's, but my lovely wife was totally incapable of competing with my memories of the people noted above.

I hope that the Class of '71, and all sundry hangers-on, can get together at a local bar on the night before the big reunion in 2007. I'm looking forward to it already (I really should get a life...).



I'm in the pulp and paper business. This is at our recycled pulp mill on the Fraser River near Vancouver.

<u>1975—1979</u>

Michelle Oliphant (Nolan) ('77) - mnolan42@cogeco.ca





1980—1984 Clarissa Stevens-Guille ('83) - clarissasg@sympatico.ca

Dean Hardison ('82) Hi Clarissa, just to give a short bio on my life up to this ripe old age, I live in Burlington and have for the last 14 years with my wife Karen, 2 cats and a retired Greyhound that we adopted from a track in the U.S. last year. I have worked for the City of Mississauga for 18 years and I graduated from Brock

University with a degree in Physical Education, or as some esteemed colleagues have told me, a degree in "Play". Hey it's the paper that counts, right. Amongst the fog of my years at L.P.S.S my fondest memories have not much to do with academics but with all the fun I had playing football, soccer, baseball and countless pick up games of anything in the gym. I enjoyed all the parties I both was invited to and invited myself to and despite a lack of contact with a lot of close High school friends I did enjoy all of them and even enjoyed all the girls I was too terrified of to ever ask out! That's all for now, Dean Hardison.

Clare Meridew ('82) Life has been busy the past year. Michelle (my partner) and I bought a century home in Riverdale (downtown Toronto), and we are in the process of renovating it back from a 3 apartment crack house to a single family home. Zanie, our 4 year old daughter, delights in the sounds of raccoons frolicking above her head in the attic. All kidding aside, it has been a good year for us.

After 18 years of working as a Creative Director for for a variety of offline companies (Communiqué, Mosaic, City TV), as well as online (Organic, IBM, ICE), I've finally ventured out on my own, and started up a Marketing and Communications company called elevator 5. I was tired of the 80 hour week grind, and as you get older, you want to make your own decisions as to which clients you want to work with. My family is all happy and well... Life is Lovely.

Jim Murphy ('84) In 1987, I joined the army after finding youth to be too exciting and confusing to be spent in the very ivory towers which I now wish I'd taken more seriously. However, I've had a life which I wouldn't trade for the world! I've been learning and growing constantly. I've learned how to parachute into combat, use weapons and explosives, build and destroy roads and bridges, program computers, build electronic circuits, repair radios and telephones, play the saxophone, and speak Serbo-Croatian and French. I married and sired this past year, and my wife and daughter are wonderful! I started landlording and I'm probably going to go back to university for engineering later this year. Touch wood, things have been marvelous for me so far (of course, I have rapidly forgotten everything that didn't go my way...) I'm in Edmonton, but will probably get posted back to Ontario sometime in the next 5 years.

What do I remember about Lorne Park? Ah, the memories! I remember Frosty the librarian, and Mlle. Saksnit our French teacher. I remember what a hard time Rob Stott and I gave her, and I regret it now. I remember my pal Paul Hudson and the antics we got up to at school and in the neighborhood. I remember Ken McCord almost beating me up in computer class, and dreaming about revenge, but glad now that I'm not the naive fat-head that I was then. I remember being smitten by a series of stunningly gorgeous girls, Jane McNaughton, Judy Noble, Karen Lablans, Alex Holiday, and more, and now I smile at the memory of how immature I was in character, shy, but at the same time blusterous. I remember cliques, and how much I hated them, and, ironically, didn't even realize I was in one. God! What years! How completely different I am now! But don't we all dote for a moment on how we'd do it all again differently if we could know then what we know now? Oh well...

Anyone who'd like to reach me is welcome to email me at <u>jim@telerecall.com</u>. I got an email late last year from Karen Ohari, who I remember with fondness, and it was lovely to say "hi."

Mike Todd ('84) After LPSS I stayed close to home and did a BA in Political Science at U of T (Erindale College). Following one year at IBM (and a year off recovering from a serious cycling accident) I put on a suit and marched down to Bay Street, where I ended up staying for 12 years. I held various sales and sales management roles in Toronto, spent 2000 in Vancouver, and then home to Toronto again. But I knew we'd be back out in BC someday. After returning to Toronto I started to get the feeling someone was trying to tell me something. The job I had loved for a dozen years just didn't cut it any more. In 2002 I walked away from the investment business and ended up working at World Vision. After one year there we sold off, packed up and moved out to North Vancouver.

Here I spend my time working in a Christian charity, providing some leadership to our small home church, and thinking out loud on my web site (<u>http://miketodd.typepad.com/</u>). Sue and I have been married for 13 years (despite the fact that



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she is a Gordon Graydon grad...), and it's just the two of us. It's been a strange ride - I have a friend who tells me I'm the most downwardly mobile person he knows - but we wouldn't have it any other way.

1985—1989 Clarissa Stevens-Guille ('83) - clarissasg@sympatico.ca

Hugh Murphy ('85) I am currently living in Oakville with my wife, Janet, of 10 years and my daughter (8yrs) and son (7yrs) but we're moving back to Mississauga (Clarkson, actually) in the next few months. I currently run the financial services research division of Environics Research Group so I guess I'm a pollster... and I

ride in and out of Toronto from the Clarkson GO station once or twice per week... so I occasionally see or bump into old friends from LPSS. I still maintain a few strong relationships with old friends from high school... but not very many with life as busy as it is. I continue to waste what little leisure time I have at curling clubs. Life is pretty good!

Ken Reeves ('86) Hello LPSS Alumni! Ken Reeves, Grad from 1986 (and 1985) here. I just discovered the alumni group of LPSS. After surfing around the site for the better part of an hour, seeing all your names, I was surprised how many memories started to come back.

One resounding feeling surfaced... It doesn't feel like twenty years ago to me. Clarissa from the Alumni group has asked that I provide a quick bio of myself so here is a start. After LPSS, I attended DeVry in TO and then in Phoenix, AZ. I graduated from there in 1988 with a BSc in Electronics Engineering Technology. I worked for 7 years with a test equipment distribution company as a technical sales representative first in Mississauga then in 1993 moving to Edmonton, AB. In 1995 I changed jobs to work for a manufacturer called Fluke Electronics and I have been with them since. Presently I manage distribution sales channels and deal directly with end user customer whenever possible. I am still in Edmonton.

With my wife of almost eleven years we have been raising three children... a 9 year old girl, 6 year old boy and a 4 year old girl. Between parenting, work, house renovations/repairs I also find time to volunteer on our community executive. I manage the sports programs which would include soccer and the utilization of our new outdoor community rink.

I have been "home" to Mississauga several times over the past 12 years and every time I go back I'm amazed at the changes around Mississauga. The area around LPSS doesn't seem much different (except for some new houses) but the areas off of the Lakeshore at Southdown and towards the west side of Port Credit have changed the most.

In retrospect I'm sure we have all changed a lot since graduation.

Finally before I sign off here I would like to admit at times I have been the worst at keeping in touch with some of my most dear friends. For this I am sorry and I apologize. If you choose to contact me I would love to hear from you. Please contact me at <u>kjreeves@shaw.ca</u>

I have the 50th Anniversary October 19-21, 2007 marked in my calendar. I hope to attend then and see you all there.

"Always live within your income, even if you have to borrow money to do so"

Josh Billings



1990—1994 Lindsay Lepp (Williams) ('95) - linzy905@hotmail.com

Carolyn Brown ('92) Hi Lindsay Last time I wrote I believe I was still in Thailand. I have returned and have prepared a short article about "getting involved". I have also attached some photos for my recent Habitat trip that can be use in the next *LPSS Matters*. Let me know what you think and if you have any suggestions.

Getting Involved Again (Carolyn Brown ('92))

I graduated from the University of Waterloo ('98) and am working as an intern architect as a small architectural firm in the High Park area of Toronto.

A few years ago I watched the movie "Rushmore" about a kooky high school student involved in every group and club his school had and a few he created himself. I couldn't help but feel a sense of nostalgia for my own high school days. No I didn't want to be a teenager again that's for sure but I did miss the diversity of activities, challenges, creative outlets and social connections that being so involved achieved.

For some reason after high school I (like many others I'm sure) got so focused on my academics and career it just didn't seem like there was time any more. The movie got me thinking and reminded me that doing all those extra activities never did make it seem like I was bogged down but instead it made me more confident, enthused and productive. Eager to rediscover that youthful exuberance I started by just researching the different possibilities that are out there.

I started out with a pottery class, move onto Thai Chi, and couldn't believe just how many great activities and volunteer opportunities there are out there if you just take a moment look. These days I won't be found in Band, Junior Achievement, or Athletic council but instead I might be down at the Sunnyside Beach on a dragon boat team or volunteering as a "wish granter" with the Starlight Children's Foundation or researching my next Volunteer Vacation with Habitat for Humanity. I just returned from a build in Chiang Mai, Thailand. A first of many I hope.

The recent response to the tragic tsunami disaster in South East Asia proves how much kindness, generosity and capacity to that everyone has within themselves. It proves that people want to give and share their own good fortunes but I think that most people don't know what to do until it presents itself to them. In high school it was so easy because the activities were right under our nose. We all learned how to participate but perhaps we never learnt how to seek out the opportunities. When I tell people about my recent Habitat Global Village trip one of the first things they ask is how I got involved with that? The answer is quite simple, you just have to know where to look.

Through my research these past couple of years to try to find what activities most suited my interests, I have compiled a large list of resources that I would like to share so that if anyone else out there is looking to try something new than perhaps these links will be of some assistance.

Fundraising Organizations:

Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation <u>http://www.cbcf.org/</u> United Way of Greater Toronto <u>http://www.unitedwaytoronto.com/</u> Canadian Diabetes Association <u>http://www.diabetes.ca/Section_Main/welcome.asp</u> Starlight Children's Wish Foundation <u>http://www.starlightcanada.org/</u> Habitat for Humanity - Toronto Chapter http://www.torontohabitat.on.ca/web/default.aspx





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Navigate the Streets - urban scavenger hunts run every year across Canada <u>http://navigatethestreets.com/english/index.html</u> West Toronto Sports & Social Club - (sports ranging from volley ball to floor hockey) <u>http://www.wtssc.com</u>

Volunteer Vacations Habitat for Humanity - Global Village http://www.habitat.org/GV/ Cross Cultural Solutions http://www.crossculturalsolutions.org/ Go Nomad - great resource for alternative travel ideas http://www.gonomad.com/ Volunteer Resources Volunteering Opportunity Exchange http://www.volunteer.ca/index-eng.php

I'd love to hear what else people are doing to be more involved in their community. Please share if you can.





Never confuse movement with action.

Ernest Hemingway

1995—1999 Lindsay Lepp (Williams) ('95) - linzy905@hotmail.com



2000—2004 Correspondent needed

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Does your computer look like this? In 1954 Popular Mechanics magazine ran this picture with the caption below speculating what the home computer would look like 50 years later in 2004.

(Though it has been significantly doctored, what you actually see in the image is a fullscale mock-up of the maneuvering room of a nuclear submarine. Thanks to Rudy Limeback ('67) for pointing this out.)



Scientists from the RAND Corporation have created this model to illustrate how a "home computer" could look like in the year 2004. However the needed technology will not be economically feasible for the average home. Also the scientists readily admit that the computer will require not yet invented technology to actually work, but 50 years from now scientific progress is expected to solve these problems. With teletype interface and the Fortran language, the computer will be easy to use.

and finally ...





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