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DAPPY NEW YEAR 2015!



Happy New Year 2015



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Memories of the Premiere Class Era 1957 to 1964 - Fred Hilditch 1963 January - 2014 – Thirtieth Edition

The following pictures are from Clarkson and existed when we were young. Current Power (top left) was the former home of Kathy and Judy Krywan. The Krywan's ran a business on the ground level catering to the small engine business (lawn mowers, etc). I remember going to your house for a party, maybe put on by Kathy, and meeting Troupe Fiffe and he was married/going out with Joan Carson LPSS '64. Troupe was a business related guy I knew. The Dairy Queen (top right) store was not to be confused with Tasty Freeze which on the south side of Lakeshore west of Clarkson Rd. S. I met a lot of people at the Taste Freeze like Ann Loftus, the older sister of 2 Loftus's which went to our school 1967'ish and lived on April Drive. The building bottom left was where I went only once to Dr. Love, a dentist. He told me I had 20-some-odd cavities. My mother took me back to my old dentist. The picture on the btm right is a pic of whole area which includes The Barn to the west of Current Power. The barn is doing the same business it did back in 50's.



Paris, France – **Marna Dent LPSS '66** - My girlfriend in Paris has just finished renovating a studio apartment in central Paris and it's now ready for rental! If you or any friends have plans to go to Paris, consider this as an affordable option for your stay. I told her I would get the word out to my friends on this side of the ocean and am really looking forward to my stay there in mid-March! The studio sleeps 2 people. We have 2 twin beds that become a double and a sofa during the day, if necessary. Separate room where there is the kitchen and the (small) bathroom. Carolina, **goutt@aol.com**

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PENGILLEY, Cam" LPSS '62- Peacefully with his family by his side on Thursday, September 19, 2013 in his 71st year, Cam Pengilley, dear husband of Ruth Pengilley (nee Finlayson). Loving father of Sharon (Robson) Rogan, Kimberly (Jarvis) Abela, Andrea (Daniel) Schwarz, Heather (Jason) Lewin, Kristina Pengilley. Much loved grandfather of Emily, Lance, Ava, Hannah, Nathan, Emma, Lily, Addison. Cam was the founder of The Oaks of St. George Golf Club and led the team for 22 years. He will be missed by many at The Oaks. He was a former bank manager

Jim Grant LPSS 1962 - Having recently suffered my second heart attack, this information is invaluable for anyone who is pre-disposed to cardiac challenges or is getting up there in age.

HEART ATTACKS AND WATER !

How many folks do you know who say they don't want to drink anything before going to bed because they'll have to get up during the night.

Heart Attack and Water - I never knew all of this! Interesting......

Something else I didn't know ... I asked my Doctor why people need to urinate so much at night time. Answer from my Cardiac Doctor - Gravity holds water in the lower part of your body. When you are upright (legs swell). When you lie down the lower body (legs, etc.) seeks level with the kidneys. It is then that the kidneys remove the water because it is easier. This then ties in with the last statement!

I knew you need your minimum water to help flush the toxins out of your body, but this was news to me. Correct time to drink water...

Very Important. From A Cardiac Specialist!

Drinking water at a certain time maximizes its effectiveness on the body

2 glasses of water after waking up - helps activate internal organs

1 glass of water 30 minutes before a meal - helps digestion

1 glass of water before taking a bath - helps lower blood pressure

1 glass of water before going to bed - avoids stroke or heart attack

I can also add to this... My Physician told me that water at bed time will also help prevent night time leg cramps. Your leg muscles are seeking hydration when they cramp and wake you up with a Charlie Horse. Dr. Virend Somers, is a Cardiologist from the Mayo Clinic, who is lead author of the report in the July 29, 2008 issue of the Journal of the American College of Cardiology.

Most heart attacks occur in the day, generally between 6 A.M. and noon. Having one during the night, when the heart should be most at rest, means that something unusual happened. Somers and his colleagues have been working for a decade to show that sleep apnea is to blame.

1. If you take an aspirin or a baby aspirin once a day, take it at night.

The reason: Aspirin has a 24-hour "half-life"; therefore, if most heart attacks happen in the wee hours of the morning, the Aspirin would be strongest in your system.

2. FYI, Aspirin lasts a really long time in your medicine chest, for years, (when it gets old, it smells like vinegar). Something that we can do to help ourselves - nice to know. Bayer is making crystal aspirin to dissolve instantly on the tongue. They work much faster than the tablets. Why keep Aspirin by your bedside? It's about Heart Attacks. There are other symptoms of a heart attack, besides the pain on the left arm. One must also be aware of an intense pain on the chin, as well as nausea and lots of sweating; however, these symptoms may also occur less frequently. Note: There may be NO pain in the chest during a heart attack.

The majority of people (about 60%) who had a heart attack during their sleep did not wake up. However, if it occurs, the chest pain may wake you up from your deep sleep.

If that happens, immediately dissolve two aspirins in your mouth and swallow them with a bit of water. Afterwards: - Call 911. - Phone a neighbor or a family member who lives very close by.- Say "heart attack!" - Say that you have taken 2 Aspirins.

Take a seat on a chair or sofa near the front door, and wait for their arrival and ...DO NOT LIE DOWN!

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Dick Gregory LPSS '62 was at the Winter Classic in Detroit in January 2014.

John Elsasser – LPSS'64 – Update - Sincere apologies for taking so damn long to reply. I'm still working 40+ hours/week. And I had a couple of stressful events recently - my mom (95) had a health crisis. She's back to normal again but it was a scare. And a best friend had significant surgery and is going through radiation now. First of all, it's good to hear from you. How are you doing? By accident I did see you and family on Breakfast Television. What a hell of an experience you had, snatched back from a very unhappy outcome. Are you more or less back to your old self? I would think that accident took a toll. Lucky guy! Yes, I'm still doing the bike rally. This summer was my 4th year and I'm assuming I'll do it one more time, while I still have fundraising connections through work. I'm sort of musing about finally retiring in December 2014. While riding this year I realized that each year it gets "shorter", easier and more fun. I had a great time. It's very gratifying on so many levels.



Lorenzo Salon – corner of Lorne Park & Birchview – My wife went there in 1969 – You may have gone

Lorenzo Salon—corner of Lorne Park & Birchview—My wife went there in 1969-You may have gone there too! - Family members, friends, clients and staff raised a glass to toast Lorenzo Morra (left), founder of Lorenzo Salon, at the surprise unveiling of a tribute photo (seen behind) orchestrated by new owner Geoff Lumber (right). Morra, accustomed to keeping his finger on the pulse, said, "I was blown away." He recently sold the successful business to longtime client and Lorne Park native Geoff Lumber, who orchestrated the surprise. While mastering his craft, Morra handpicked a team of stylists including novices, up-and-comers and veterans. He generously passes on his skills and welcomes mentoring. The warmth, humour and integrity with which he engages co-workers and clients alike foster allegiance and commitment.

Semi-retired Morra has enjoyed an illustrious career filled with highlights (yes, pun intended!). He won his first award, the Ontario Regional Hairdressing Cup, at age 20. The tribute photo was taken in 1989, on being named the Gus Caruso Award recipient for the most progressive business contribution to the hair industry. Morra served as president of the Canadian Guild of Hair Design (1994-96) and was honoured with its Life Achievement Award.

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Rick Gorman – LPSS '63 - Fred! Thanks for the response and I suspected that you were up at the cottage. It was a very comfortable afternoon at the home of **Ian Anderson's (LPSS '63)** son, Ted, with the friends and family. Very little family from Ian's perspective as his parents and sister, Susan, passed many years ago -- Sue when she was only 43 years old. Both his sons were there, most made up with Ted's wife, two young kids and friends of his. **Steve Wallace LPSS '63** came down, of course, but **Don Ursino LPSS** teacher was performing with his singing group at a large musical event all weekend -- yes, he still sings with a few local barbershop singers and they are very good. **Jim and Bob Grant LPSS '62/63**, with all our wives, attended one of their performances at this summer's festival in my little town, Fonthill.



Dick Gregory LPSS '62 - Florida (Feb 2013). On the left is me and Joan Carson LPSS '64. On the right is Gerry Carson LPSS '63 and his wife Ann-Marie. Dinner at Ruby Tuesdays in Winterhaven. They also went to Epcot.







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Welcome to the first edition of the LPSS Newsletter for 2015.

We all have our traditions when it comes to celebrating the New Year. Well, at least I know I have mine and to me they're quite normal, for others, well maybe not so much. Nothing wrong with that, after all it's all about the diversity.

I will however speak on one of my friend's traditions that I fear I will never understand or care to participate in. And that would be Barry Elford and his let's jump in the chunky water on New' Year's Day. I like swimming in the lake, just not when the water is so cold.

Still I support him in his endeavor, I learnt somewhere along the line that people do things (like going for a semifrozen swim) for the ones that are either unable or unwilling to do so. I, personally, fall into both categories, despite his reassurances.

Barry, if you would so kind as to send me pictures and an accounting for the next newsletter, I believe that it will make for interesting reading. In fact I think that your traditions would as well. So please feel free to let me know what your traditions are and we can all share in the next newsletter.

And that brings me to my purpose here and that is

Celebrating the New Year



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Welcome to the first day of 2015. I trust that the last day of 2014 was everything you hoped for. Have you noticed, (and I'm sure you have) that the years seem to be zipping by far faster as we age. I remember a year taking ages to pass as I was waiting to become old enough to ride a bike, go to secondary school and get a driver's license. Let alone the age of majority. (Thank goodness that was lowered from 21 to 18.) It couldn't get here fast enough, and now if I were to counsel my younger self, I would tell me to be patient and enjoy the moment I'm in. You'll get there soon enough, it'll all come to pass.

On the other hand I remember sitting at the kitchen table with my Mom and having her tell me how old I would be at the Millennium. I was only 10 at the time and couldn't conceive of being that old. Now approaching my sixth decade I feel that I'm only getting started.

And if I could find the cosmic brakes to slow this yearly juggernaut that marks just how much time has passed, well I would stand on them as hard as I could. But since there doesn't seem to be that option, I do my best to enjoy the moments as the months fly off the calendar.

The above picture, is as you may have guessed, is me, around 1958 in our apartment in Toronto. That's my Aunt Helen looking on as I screamed in joy at the approaching New Year. I wouldn't have really know what all the fuss was, but clearly I was willing to join in on the fun. Something that has followed me through to my more 'mature' years. I still like to celebrate the New Year, always have, and I always will.

Over the years I have attended some fantastic parties (and some that weren't so good. As my friends would likely attest) to welcome in the New Year. I've been to several Legions for some fine parties, more than my share of restaurants and a great number of house parties. One year I was in downtown Toronto, attired in a tuxedo, watching the Phantom of the Opera. Another year I was in Florida, on St. Pete beach to welcome in the New Year. That was different, sitting on a beach in shorts and a t-shirt.

Some of the best times have been the unplanned ones. Parties that just sort of happened. One year we decided to host an open house at our apartment. We just wanted to stay home and sent out an open invite to welcome over anyone who wanted to. We prepared, as is my custom a large amount of food, opened our door, and waited to see what would happen. Well, we had a great time, lots of people dropped in, some for the entire evening, some for a drink on their way out, and some on their way home. These days we're lucky enough to find ourselves in an old fashioned neighbourhood. It makes for a real feeling of community. Neighbours became friends, became extended family. And that is pure magic. That is something to celebrate.

As a result New Year Eve parties have become a neighbourhood event. It's something that we start planning around the Grey Cup. Planning in the sense of what food are going to have. We tend to have a lot of food, keeping in what for me is a family tradition. I've spent many New Year's Eve in my neighbour's back yard tending to the BBQ with a beer in one hand and a cigar in the other. Some years it's been warmer than others, some years have brought an early evening (pesky tequila shots) some later.

I suppose it's that sense of closeness that's the magic that makes welcoming the New Year so much fun.

And I suppose that accounts for the look of joy on my face, then, and now.



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Now if you'll excuse me, I have to check on the prime rib. Another tradition, and one that I'm particularly fond of.

Happy New Year!

Well that's it for now; please feel free to email me with questions, requests, and ideas, and please find time to donate blood. It's in you to give.

As always, if you're so inclined, there are a group of us on Facebook who speak on a regular basis.

Peace, Ross January 2015



<u>1980—1989</u> Janet Price ('81) - <u>janetkprice339@gmail.com</u>



Every Now and Then...

Every now and then, especially this time of year, my mind travels back to "snow days." As I take my life into my hands, navigating my way to work without snow tires and listening to the radio and the announcements of school closures, I often think to myself, "I'm sure I was still expected to go to school on a day like this when I was a student."

Most recently, when we had the ice storm, the first thing I thought was how fortunate and unfortunate the timing was. As many of us were without power, myself included, right before the holidays, most schools were not impacted as they were already heading into the Christmas break. I am sure it still impacted staff to ensure the buildings were secure and no damage, like burst pipes would happen, but there was little or no impact to the students.

Is it me? Is it age? Am I a product of hearing my parents tell me when they were young how they had to walk five miles to school each day in two feet of snow, up-hill *and* in both directions. I never did figure out how they accomplished that feat. I don't recall "snow days." Oh, I am sure we had them but my memory leans more to the days when I would look outside in the morning at a foot of snow only to hear my mom say "oh that's just a light dusting, don't forget to wear a hat."

I feel (please know this is my opinion only and feel free to disagree), schools pay much more attention to student safety than they did my day. I am not just talking about "lock downs" and what to do in those cases; I have another entire article devoted to that topic. Today, we have to ensure that foods we send our kids to school with are nut-free and in some cases even more restrictive; trust me that I also have another article devoted to that topic. Now, it seems, the school bus companies are more discerning in maintaining the safety of the students as well as the drivers they employ by pulling the buses from the roads. Yet, when I hear of bus cancellations, I often hear that the schools themselves remain open.

So here are my thoughts: What about the safety of the teachers that still have to drive to the school? What about the safety of the parents, who have probably decided to work from home as technology allows many of us to do, who now have to drive their child to school? What about the safety of the students that are of driving age but don't have the experience of driving in bad road conditions? Should these not also be taken into consideration?

Every school district is different and even within that district, there are always exceptions. My concern is, does the importance of missing one day or even a week of school validate the reasons to put so many people at risk?

I may not remember "snow days" but I do recall a time when Lorne Park was forced to close down for a week. It was Saturday, November 10th, 1979. A freight train travelling through Mississauga was carrying propane and chlorine when in derailed in Cooksville. The combination of the chemicals produced a poisonous gas cloud. The winds, travelling southwest, forced the evacuation of many residents, the Lorne Park area included. We were left scrambling for places to stay. Many stayed with relatives or in hotels. My father, who worked in Toronto at the time, found a suite downtown Toronto so at least he would not have to have the commute. Of course as a 16 year old, I was ecstatic to stay in Toronto and miss a week of school. While my dad went to work every day, I am sure he was panicking to know that his wife and daughter passed the time by shopping all day. The fact that Holt Renfrew was a new department store at the time must of made my dad sweat. We didn't realize that we would be evacuated for so long. There were clothes to buy, shoes, toiletries, Christmas presents (heck, we might as we as do that too). The furthest thing from a 16 year olds mind was school and how classes or "if" classes would have to be made up. Back in those days, we did not have standardized testing.

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There certainly was a lesson plan and I am sure that teachers crammed in extra work and homework when we did return to class.

But there were no days tacked on to the end of the school year. I didn't feel any extra workload. So, my point, is that was an entire week of unscheduled closure and we made it work. Is putting teachers and students at risk to physically make an appearance at a building with today's technology available.

In today's plugged in world, certainly schools can have classes streamed and accessed on-line. In fact, one teacher could reach thousands of students at the same time. Can't lessons be prerecorded and saved to use in these types of scenarios? Now, in the case of our recent ice storm, a lack of electricity would prevent this from being accessed but it would certainly be of benefit for an old fashioned snow day. It would also be a benefit for students who have to be away from school for other reasons.

Don't get me wrong, we can never replace the school as a physical presence. Schools offer far more than education; valuable tools that assist preparing our youths for the adult world. I do think, however, schools should also offer options to students and parents seeking education for those with different circumstances or special needs. I believe it would also help to reduce bullying in our educational system. School boards should be up to date with technology. A difficult thing to achieve in an area constantly suffering cut-backs . We can identify the holes in our educational system, why can't we fix them?

Most schools have Wi-fi and computer labs. Lorne Park has extensive and impressive computer labs available for students to use and integrate them into many courses offered. If students can use technology as tools for learning, why cannot more emphasis be placed on educators to use them? Well, the ice storm had good timing for the students and schools but we need to look toward the future and use what is available to plan for the future.

To any and all that were also without power from the storm, I hope you all made it through without too much damage. My street was devastated. Every home lost portions if not all of a tree on their property. Some lost vehicles.

Some positives came out of the storm. It proved that neighbours and community still come together to assist one another in tough times. I learned that Christmas turkey cooked on the BBQ tastes delicious if you are willing to wait the 9 hours it takes to cook (yes I did have enough propane – extra tanks in the garage). I found out a good duvet really can keep you warm throughout the night. Most importantly, I learned that if you belong to a good gym, they can become a bright shiny star on a cold dark day. Thank you to Goodlife Fitness for allowing my family to use their facilities for personal needs.





A Flag Still Flying By Peter Swalwell

A brief story which might be of some interest to our 'more mature' LPSS grads from the late 60's early 70's.

During that period I was a newly minted callow young teacher of history at LPSS.

Traditionally I taught the grade 13 course which covered both Canadian and US. history, (talk about a survey course!) At that time, because the 'branch plant' concept for American corporations was in full sway in this country (think Shell, Gulf, B.P. etc). I had quite a number of American students and the debates in class were always quite lively to say the least.

At the end of one year in the early 1970's, the Grade 13 history classes presented me with not only a flag but a beautiful white flag pole. When I did not immediately erect it, I was given a deadline by the group of the next Saturday afternoon after which the students would come out to our house in Oakville and put it where they thought it should go. I recall Jennifer Dakin being very much involved and, I believe, Frank Ranlett wanted an American flag on the pole.

The flag pole was hastily installed and although it moved a couple of times over the years (trees do grow) the pole has always supported a fresh flag and has always reminded me of those wonderful classes and the students who were always up for a passionate debate.

Two years ago a wild winter wind storm broke off the top clasps of the pole and the flag had to be lowered. My wife insisted on re-installation as soon as spring arrived. I said it was a complex engineering task that would take months of planning. (I knew how much cement I had put down the hole never figuring on a mechanical glitch - did I mention I was a historian!!)

This fall, planning completed, I took down the pole, fixed it, painted it complete with a fresh gold cap, and once again a flag proudly flies in our backyard and is always a reminder of those fun days.



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I guess we all leave LPSS but part of it never leaves us.

As requested, attached is a picture of the new flag, the old flagpole and the ancient history teacher ie the history teacher who is ancient. I have taken the liberty of donning a Spartan football jersey which was a gift when I left LP as Principal.

Peter Swalwell LPSS 1967-72 - 1986 - 94



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WHAT TEACHERS MAKE (retyped from a pizza box here in Calgary) - By Dana Johnson

The dinner guests were sitting around the table discussing life. One man, a CEO, decided to explain the problem with education. He argued: What's a kid going to learn from someone who decided his best option in life was to become a teacher?



He reminded the other dinner guests that it's true what they say about teachers: Those who can...do. Those who can't ... teach. To corroborate, he said to another guest: "You're a teacher, Susan," he said. "Be honest. What do you make?" Susan, who had a reputation of honesty and frankness, replied, "You want to know what I make? " (She paused for a second, then began ...)

"I make kids work harder than they ever thought they could. I can make a C+ feel like a Congressional Medal of Honour. I can

make kids sit through 40 minutes of class time when their parents can't make them sit for 5 without an iPod, Game Cube or movie rental. You want to know what I make?" (She paused again and looked at each and every person at the table.)

"I make kids wonder. I make them question.

I make them apologize and mean it.

I make them have respect and take responsibility for their actions.

I teach them to write and then I make them write. Keyboarding isn't everything.

I teach them read, read, read.

I make them show all their work in math. They use their God given brain, not the man-made calculator. I make my students from other countries learn everything they need to know about English while preserving their cultural identity.

I make my classroom a place where all my students feel safe.

Finally, I make them understand that if they used the gifts they were given, work hard, and follow their hearts, they can succeed in life." (Susan paused one last time and then continued.)

Then, when people try to judge me by what I make, with me knowing money isn't everything, I can hold my head high and pay no attention.

You want to know what I make? I MAKE A DIFFERENCE. What do you make Mr. CEO?"

His jaw dropped. He went silent.

We Remember... always in our thoughts

Mr. Vincent Bertram BELVETT (LPSS Science Teacher) (October 13, 1932–June 16, 2013)





Passed away peacefully at home on Sunday, June 16, 2013 at the age of 80 years. He is survived by his children Kevin (Keshea), Vincent E. (Shelley), and Joy-Lynn Auton (Greg) and their mother Gloria. Proud grandfather of Broderick, and Brooke. Dear brother of Roderick, Lindon, and Sybil. Predeceased by his brothers Sydney Whyte, Bertram, Losville, Gerald, Owen and his sister Pearlene. Vincent will be sadly missed but forever remembered by his nieces, nephews, extended family and close friends here in Canada and abroad.

Lauren Elizabeth WHELAN (1996–January 6, 2014)



Lauren passed away Monday, January 6, 2014 at the age of 19. She was the beloved daughter of Linda D'Eon and Gerry Whelan and the loving sister to Christopher (Melissa Neziol) and Richard. Lauren was a gentle soul who loved to laugh and cared dearly about her friends and family. Lauren had a passion for helping others and recently found joy by helping with the Habitat for Humanity charity where she helped build a home outside of Atlanta. She was an enthusiastic baseball player with the Mississauga Majors and an avid skier at Alpine Ski Club in Collingwood. She attended Mentor College for grade school, Lorne Park Secondary School and most recently was a second year student at Wilfrid Laurier University. Lauren will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

James (Whitey) WHITE (1963-2012)



Jimmy (AKA Whitey) was an amazing son, brother, husband, father, uncle and friend. He attended Lorne Park High School and admirably, remained close friends with his LP buddies throughout his life. After graduation, he attended Wilfrid Laurier University and received his Business degree before joining the family's business, White & White Customs Brokers, and becoming a partner. Jim was an avid golfer and



sports fan. He especially loved to coach his son and organize his own hockey and golf trips . He enjoyed spending time up at the cottage with his family and travelling the world, including many golf trips over the years with his LP friends. Jimmy passed on Nov 16 2012 at the age of 49, after a 7 year battle with cancer . He left behind a lifetime of love and laughter . Today and everyday, Jim is never far from our thoughts. Those who loved him will remember and celebrate him for the rest of our lives.

We Remember... always in our thoughts

LAURA ROSEBRUGH-HEATHCOCK (LPSS English Teacher) (1949-December 21, 2014)







LAURA ROSEBRUGH-HEATHCOCK Laura passed away peacefully at Ian Anderson House in Oakville on December 21, 2014 at the age of 65. Laura was the much beloved wife and partner of Haden Heathcock with whom she shared camping trips, canoeing experiences and peaceful days at their cottage on Lake Miskwabi in Haliburton. She will be greatly missed by her brother Michael (Debbie), step-sons Stephen (Cheryl) and Alan (Tina) and brother-in-law Rob Heathcock (Tiina). Laura loved Christmas and delighted in filling stockings for her nieces and nephews and grandchildren. Erin (Nick), Andrea (Graham) Fraser, Kevin (Lindsay) and Gregory Rosebrugh and Ian Heathcock and Michael Flett hold many wonderful memories of their aunt Laura, as do her grandchildren Rachel, Jacob, Caleb, Isaac and Remi. Laura was predeceased by her parents Murray and Helen (Lynn) Rosebrugh. Laura's family would like to extend a special thank you to the Palliative Care Teams at Oakville-Trafalgar Hospital and Ian Anderson House. Visitation will be held at Ward Funeral Home, 109 Reynolds Street, Oakville, from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, January 28th. A Celebration of Life was held at Maple Grove United Church, 346 Maple Grove Drive, Oakville, at 11 a.m. on Saturday, January 31st. In lieu of flowers, donations to Ian Anderson House

(www.ianandersonhouse.com) would be appreciated.

Rodger JEFFREY (July 10, 1949– February 3, 2008)

Rodger passed away suddenly on February 2, 2008 in his 59th year. He was the loving husband of Diane Rodin of Terra Cotta.



Where are They Now?

The Class Of 1974



Gary Dinan

Hi,

I'm alive and kicking and working as a teacher in the TDSB. After Lorne Park, I went to the University of Western Ontario, worked in sales and marketing for 20 years and then became a business teacher with the TDSB where I am currently employed. I live in Etobicoke and am married but with no children. The others you mentioned, I saw at the last reunion and people are scattered all over. Sandy Cumberland came from B.C., Cole Doty from Florida, Paul Ford from Mississauga, Paul Wolvet, Rick Lococo, David Wheeler, Mike Dawson, Sandy Cumberland, Sandy Leluk, Cathy Shipp, Dave Olinoski and Stuart Plummer are all in the Toronto area and they were just some of the people who came to the get-together the night before the reunion and then the reunion the following day.

I don't have the contact information for the others so I can't give you the answers to those questions unfortunately.

Thanks for getting back to me and can you put me on the subscription list for the next issue? I only saw this one when Sylvia Smitas sent it to me.

Gary

Laurie Woolley

After graduating from UWO in '77, moved to Valemount, BC, to pay off the University debts, procuring a grader -man's ticket & running trimsaws in a sawmill. Next, completed a chef's training crs. & experienced the restaurant business in Vancouver for a couple of years, before taking Kinesiology at SFU & joining the recreation dept. in the City of Burnaby as a coordinator of recreation programs. Still enjoy keeping in touch with fellow students Anne & Tom Cavan, Jannike & Kim Husebye, & Julie (Russell) Thur.



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To: editor

Hi:



This is Robert Labonte a grad from 1965. Looking for information on a few friends that I have lost touch with over the years. My wife and I moved to California in 1985 where we reman today,(in Oceanside CA) north of San Diego. Any help would be appreciated. I was not able to attend the last re-union due to business commitments but now I am retired.

Thanks, and Best regards

Robert Labonte (1965)

Remembering ...

Rob Adlam (March 24, 1948 – October 16, 2009)

Rob attended Lorne Park Secondary School from 1962 to 1967. During his teen years Rob enjoyed playing tag football, tennis, road hockey, baseball and apparently was the first in the Lorne Park area to own a skateboard which I'm told he was quite good at. Rob was also known for his love of music. His brothers and sisters recall Rob singing (out of tune) to his favorite songs on the radio. His favorite group the Eagles and his favorite song Meatloaf's Paradise by The Dashboard Light which he enjoyed dancing to.

After high school Rob continued his education at Ryerson in Toronto where he enrolled in Business Computer Systems. It was a co-op course. He did his internship working part-time for Bell Canada in Montreal. When he completed his course Bell offered him a full-time position in Montreal which he accepted.

Rob lived and worked in Montreal for several years then, Bell offered him a job in Toronto. He moved to Oakville and worked in Toronto. Rob spent the majority of his career with Bell Canada and the last few years working for CGI. Throughout his career he held various IS/IT positions which included Computer System Specialist, Manager Application Systems, Associate Director Operations Development and his last position, at CGI, was Managing Consultant. Rob retired in 2006 at age 58. After retirement Rob and his brother Mike purchased a side-split bungalow in Lorne Park which they renovated and sold for a modest profit. At age 60 Rob took a part-time job with Home Depot. While living and working in Montreal Rob married and fathered two sons. He moved his family to Oakville. After a lengthy marriage he got divorced. He went on to meet someone else and remarried. Rob was a dedicated father who participated in his sons` activities spending many hours in a cold hockey arena. He enjoyed being with family and friends, family gatherings, camping, canoeing, bowling and listening to music.

In 2009, at the age of 61, Rob was enjoying his retirement and thought he was in good health based on the results of his latest physical. All that changed in May when Rob developed a persistent cough and shortness of breath. He was diagnosed with Mesothelioma and passed away 5 months later. He left behind his wife, two sons and two grandsons. As Rob's wife I know he was a good man, husband, father, grandfather and friend but, to let you know the sort of adult Rob became I'd like to share some of the comments written in Rob's obituary guest book by people who knew him and/or worked with him:

- *He is the rare person whose positive attitude we would all like to emulate*
- Constant upbeat attitude, winning smile, and sense of humour
- Professional conduct and strong spirit
- He had an uncanny knack of making you feel better
- No problems, big or small, seemed to get him excited and he always found a way to solve them
- *He was a very popular and well respected colleague*
- One of the nicest guys you'll ever know

If you'd like to make a donation in Rob's name you can do so by contacting the Canadian Mesothelioma Foundation (CMF) website, see URL link below. A fund has been set up in Rob's name called ``**Rob Adlam Initiative**`` Please note, the **Canadian Cancer Society** does not recognize or provide funds for Mesothelioma. So, the site I am directing you to deals specifically with Mesothelioma. Your donation is appreciated by Rob's family. The CMF website URL is <u>http://cmfonline.org/</u>, click on the top tab Donate, from the left side select Rob Adlam Initiative

Written for Rob by his wife Julia





Responses to





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Cheryl Bradley 6th from left at the back and **Karen Smailes** beside her, not Laura Ward.

Everybody remembers Sandy Smith, it was a really interesting issue. They all are of course.

Sylvia Smitas (1975)

The guy you need identified in the photo next to Dave Putnam is **Ed Connors.**

He has the girl on his lap.

Cheers Molly Yeomans ('73)

BACK ROW: Sandra Graham, Barb Pearson, Sandra Smith, Dave Welton, Bob Gawley, **CHERYL BRADLEY, KAREN SMAILES**, Eden Mohler, Laura-Jo Bell, **SHERRY SOMMERVILLE**, Mary Ellen Stoll, Virginia Thompson **FRONT ROW** (Sitting): Jim Hudson, Dave Putnam, **ED CONNORS**, Debbie Stanley, **DEBBIE CHOMSKI**, Barb Bell, Pat Klymas

Beside Bob Gawley - **Cheryl Bradley** Beside Laura Bell - **Sherry Sommerville** on the couch lying down - Tom Culp last unknown in front - **Debbie Chomski**?



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I think that is **Sharon Hunsley** at the top right, dark hair.

Sylvia Smitas ('75)

Dave Putnam, Keith Nelson, unknown, **SHARON HUNSLEY MIDDLE ROW: CAROL TOWN**, unknown, unknown, **CHERYL BRADLEY**, Dave Lester, unknown, Barb Pearson, Ricky Wilson, Dave Welton, Debbie Stanley, Bob Gawley, ?, ?, Tom Mohr, unknown, Mary Ellen Stoll **FRONT ROW:** Sandra Graham, Lynn Snowden, unknown, Rick Hanson, Sandy Smith, Jim Hudson, Sandy Cumberland, Eden Mohler,

BACK ROW: Leta Hignell, Tom Culp, Michael Nicholas, Dave Tanner, Pat Dyment, RICHARD LESTER, KAREN SMAILES, ED CONNORS,

Really fun to look at old pictures (and updated ones!). I remember Mame so well, as I finally got onstage, despite my lack of singing voice. I had a one-minute burst of glory as the paperhanger - got to set up my ladder, and blow my nose (for comic relief) on stage. No dialogue.

In the big picture of all the cast on the stage, I'm sitting on the far left with my feet in the air. Look closely, and you'll see that I wrote on my soles! (the answer includes the letters **H** and **I**).

That was pretty much the total of my acting 'career', though as an ESL and Co-op high school teacher in Hamilton for the past 18 years, I've done a lot of informal acting and dancing, including lots of fancy footwork. (: Thanks to you and Sandy for digging up these memories. Who knew that we'd ever get old???

Carol Town, '73 caroljtown@hotmail.com

Responses to

Agntie Mame: 40 years Later Commemorative

Photo Corrections & Identifications



Page 25 Standing beside Bob Gawley with glasses— **Richard Lester**

Carol Town ('73)

Thanks for the newsletter. Well done! On **page 5**, it states that it is "In Memory" of Ricky Wilson. Rick is my brother and he is not dead!

Bobbie-Jo Wilson ('81)

Hi Chris,

To quote Mark Twain *"Reports of my death have been greatly exaggerated"* Actually this is a misquote, what he really said is *"The report of my death is an exaggeration"*.

Anyway my sister Bobbie Jo Alley (Wilson) (her family uses the allely7920 email address and her husband's name is Dave) very kindly contacted you about the error in your newsletter and then also was kind enough to forward to me your reply.

I found your newsletter to be a wonderful reminisce

about Auntie Mame and enjoyed reading it and going down memory lane. I was indeed in the play and had a number of roles including Newsboy, a Son, Emory MacDougal and helped out with the production in other ways as well. It was a great play and we had a lot of fun doing it. I also performed in the musical Anything Goes, was President of the Student Council, played for the Spartans football team and did a number of other things at LPSS.

I appear in the cast pictures featured in your article and where you have noted my place in the photograph on **page 29** does correspond to where I was situated when it was taken. I also am in the picture on **page 25** that does not mention anyone's name (other than **Pat Dyment**) I'm the one wearing round glasses right in the centre of the picture, in the second row.

Anyway I'm alive and well. I appreciate that you were going on information you believed to be accurate, no worries, it happens. I do recall though, if memory serves, Barbara Pearson passing away while still attending Lorne Park. She was a wonderful young woman and to be taken so early is truly sad. It was nice of you to recognize her in memory on **page 5**.

Thanks for putting together LPSS Matters.

Cheers, Rick Wilson ('72)

Responses to:



Tom Mohr ('74)

Big kudos to you. You put a ton of work into this article. It is an outstanding job. I know how much work went into this—I spent a big part of my life in newspapers, and something this comprehensive doesn't just happen. It is really a cool thing you did!

I'm sure your hard work will be very well received by Lorne Park Alumni—certainly by we who were directly involved in that play forty years ago.

Debbie Stanley ('72)

Hey Chris, congrats on the Auntie Mame edition of LPSS matters... what a great job you and you team did putting it all together and so quickly. I have already had an email from Iain Mackie from Vancouver talking about it ... well done! I hope you get a good turn out for the reunion. I will keep checking to see who is coming!

Sandy Halliday ('74)

Hey Chris! I kept meaning to email you to congratulate you on the awesome issue!!

Laurie Woolley ('74)

Thx for the update and the prod - I was meaning to drop you a line to let you know that I quite enjoyed the October issue, especially the Auntie Mame -themed articles, memorabilia and interview by Sandy Smith. Hoping that it will inspire some of the play's other participants to come forward for the upcoming "Where Are They Now?" feature.

Thx for all your work in keeping the memories alive!

Sarah Thorne ('76)

Thanks for resending this. The Auntie Mame special is just wonderful! It sure brought back a lot of memories!!!

Great work,

Responses to:



Sylvia Smitas ('75)

Everybody remembers Sandy Smith, it was a really interesting issue. They all are of course.

Bob Gawley ('73)

Good stuff. A really good read. The photos and stories brought back a flood of memories.

Gary W. Tune ('79)

Thanks for another great issue!! The idea of theming it around one of the many great stage productions was a fantastic one!! Although it was before my time at LPSS, it was an enjoyable, nostalgic read nonetheless. More like that could be done in the future.

Anyway, just wanted to send my congrats and compliments!!

Douglas B. Noltie ('76)

This was a fantastic issue. Thanks to all who've invested their time and effort in walking me down memory lane.



In July 2014, there was an 'Auntie Mame' reunion set up by LPSSMatters at TEN Restaurant ands the turnout was amazing! One of the attendees, Debbie Stanley, was able to take some great photographs and have posted them here.

Enjoy!



LEFT TO RIGHT:

BACK ROW: Bob Gawley (Beauregarde J.P. Burnside/ Ralph Devine) and Keith Nelson (Dwight Babcock) **FRONT ROW:** Dave Putnam (Dr. Fuctwanger/ The Butler), Debbie Stanley (Gloria Upson), Sandra Graham (Norah Muldoon), Sandy Smith (Embleton) (Auntie Mame), Leslie Nelson (Make-Up artist)





LEFT TO RIGHT: Debbie Stanley, Sandra Smith (Embleton), Bob Gawley, Leslie Nelson, Dave Putnam



LEFT TO RIGHT:

Kathy Hanson (Kent's wife), Keith Nelson, Ann Nelson (wife), Sandra Graham, Jane Gawley (Bob's wife), Kent Hanson

NOTE:

I was under the impression that there would be more in attendance of the main LP alumni performers who appeared in the '**Auntie Mame'** play, such as Sandy Cumberland, who played Agnes Gooch and Pat Dyment, who played Doris Upson, but regardless, the night played on and those who were present, like Dr. Fuctwanger himself, Dave Putnam, who also played the Butler, also made the night work...





LEFT TO RIGHT: Bryan Flamig (Leslie Nelson's wife), Leslie Nelson, Dave Putnam, Sandy Smith (Embleton), Bob Gawley

I remember when I first started as the new editor of the LPSSMatters newsletter, I was stumbling upon some decent material for some upcoming newsletters, but it wasn't until the mid-summer of 2013 when I was troubled by the fact that I couldn't think of anything for the **October 2013** issue, I was brainstorming, pondering the thought **"What can I do, to make October's issue better than the previous issue?".** Then suddenly, I received an e-mail from someone and it contained a scanned image of an old program from a drama play that was performed at Lorne Park Secondary School in 1972. That play was entitled, "**Auntie Mame**" and the rest is history!!!







Dave Putnam (Fuctwanger), Sandy Smith (Embleton) (Auntie Mame) and Sandra Graham (Norah Muldoon) are enjoying a wonderful time together.

LEFT TO RIGHT: Debbie Stanley (Gloria Upson) and Sandra Smith (Auntie Mame) continue to be friends, even up unto this day







LEFT TO RIGHT:

Sandra Graham, Jane Gawley (Bob's wife), Kent Hanson, Bryan Flamig (Leslie's husband), Leslie Nelson, Dave Putnam, Sandra Smith (Embleton), Bob Gawley, Kathy Hanson, Keith Nelson, Ann Nelson (Keith's wife)







LEFT TO RIGHT: Keith Nelson, Ann Nelson (wife) Kent Hanson



Leslie Nelson, alongside her husband Bryan Flamig, are all enjoying themselves.

Notable Alumni

.....An entire year in the making.....



Once in awhile, there are highschool students all over the world who follow their dreams to become famous after graduation, such as: directors, broadcasters, actors or members of parliament. Michael J. Fox, who graduated from Burnaby Secondary School in Philadelphia, is well-known as Alex P. Keaton in the 80s sitcom "Family Ties" or Marty McFly from "Back To The Future". Well, American high schools aren't the only ones. Our beloved Canadian actor Ryan Gosling attended my nephew's Nelson High school in Burlington and is a current Hollywood star. Here at Lorne Park Secondary School, we also have some notable alumni and in the May 2015 newsletter, we will be exploring the successes of two well-known Sports figures, actual interviews I've conducted myself over the phone and they are: Sports announcer Paul Hendrick and OHL Hockey star Ryan O'Marra, so stay tuned until next issue!!!



Nima Arkani ('91) Physicist



John Roberts FOX News



CFL



Silken Laumann ('82) Suzie McNeil ('87) Vocalist





Bev Oda Politician





Rvan O'Marra Mike Hough World Junior Hockey NHL



Ty Templeton **Comic Artist**





Nathan LaFavette



Steve Pinizzotto Washington Capitals



Paul Hendrick Sportscaster



Mark Irwin Cinematographer



Rvan Strome NHL

In the MAY 2015 ISSUE, I've thought up some ways we could introduce the LPSSMatters alumni to some of our highschool's notable or famous alumni who have forever etched their names in either film, TV or radio. One such notable alumni I have had the pleasure of interviewing, was Sportscaster Paul Hendrick, who you may have seen interviewing major sports figures.



PAUL HENDRICK

HALL OF FAME:

Amazing shot of Sportscaster Paul Hendrick and his childhood idol Dave Keon at the Hall Of Fame. We all know Dave Keon, who joined the Toronto Maple Leafs of the National Hockey League for the 1960–61 season, winning the Calder Memorial Trophy as the league's top rookie with 20 goals and 45 points in his first season. Keon won four Stanley Cups with the Leafs, playing on the Cup-winning

...In the next issue!



Something amazing.....

Mike's Corvette Road Trip Route 66 West – Chicago to LA May 19 to June 4, 2013 (17 days) And homeward bound - June 5 to June 19th, 2013

Background on Route 66 Trip:

Two years ago a fellow 2003 Corvette owner Bob O'Connor from the Buffalo Corvette Club indicated he wanted to organize a Route 66 trip. My wife Joan and I said we were interested. The end result was 8 Corvette signed on for the trip 4 from Ontario and 4 from the US.

US Route 66, also known as the Will Rogers Highway and colloquially known as the Main Street of America or the Mother Road, was one of the original highways within the U.S. Highway System. Route 66 was established on November 11, 1926. Cyrus Avery (1871–1963) was known as the "Father of Route 66" as he created the route while a member of the federal board appointed to create the Federal Highway System. He pushed for the establishment of the U.S. Highway 66 Association to pave and promote the highway. Route 66 begins in Chicago Illinois and runs through eight states Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and ends at Santa Monica Pier in Los Angeles, California. It covers a total of **2,448 miles** (3,940 km).



Travel info: May 18, 2013 to June 19, 2013 = <u>12,480 km in 32 days!</u>

...In the next issue!

ALUMNI INPUT



Many alumni have asked for updates on fellow students. There have been a lot of re-quests for information, and many offers to help. LPSS Matters is written by LPSS alumni for LPSS alumni. We need volunteers to help with the information gathered for each issue of LPSS Matters. Each volunteer would take a block of years from which he or she would provide highlights of graduates from that era. We need volunteers who graduated during the following blocks of years, and would communicate with and report back on graduates of those years:

> 1965—1969 1990—1999 2000—2009





Please contact LPSS Matters, editor@lpssmatters.com.

The pay is below minimum wage, but the satisfaction is well worth it.



L A U N C H I N G IN 2 0 1 5—The all new LPSSMatters YouTube Channel

Another area that alumni can help out is providing input to LPSS Matters. Old newspaper clippings, scrapbook articles and photos would provide an excellent source of LPSS history for our newsletter and there are most likely numerous other sources for long forgotten trivia.

Please forward articles, scanned photos, etc. to

editor@lpssmatters.com

Finally, as stated earlier, LPSS Matters is written by LPSS alumni for LPSS alumni. That means YOU! Your input or submissions would be most appreciated. We'd be interested in any number of items, including such things as career information (so far we've heard about selecting a colour scheme for your home, strategic RRSP investing and life as a professional athlete), interesting facts about the country or city where you live, plus any other items you think fellow graduates might be interested in hearing about. Please send to :

editor@lpssmatters.com



Next issue May 2014 !

Where In The World Are You?

Where alumni were asked where they lived, these were the results:









Really looking forward to the next edition and the opportunity to share with all alumni the neat and great things LPSS grads have been up to. See you in few short months and as always thanks, thanks to Maknet for the great work they do to keep our website up to date and to get the news about the news to all of us.

Editor-LPSS Matters

