

# LPSS Matters

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"A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty."

Winston Churchill

# Our Third Issue

Welcome to the third edition of *LPSS Matters*. The response to the concept of an on-line alumni newsletter continues to be positive. There are now close to 800 graduates on the *LPSS Matters* distribution list.

As stated in the first issue of *LPSS Matters*, Lorne Park Secondary School has been in existence for over 40 years. There are thousands of alumni. Please try to spread the word to your old high school friends and family. Our goal is to get as many graduates and staff as possible receiving *LPSS Matters*. The list of alumni receiving the newsletter is attached to the e-mail that brought you

LPSS Matters.

LPSS Matters is written by LPSS alumni for LPSS alumni. Your input into how to make our newsletter into a valuable resource for alumni will be most appreciated. What would YOU like to see in YOUR newsletter? People have mentioned a people directory, an alumni referral service for recent graduates, an update on successful Spartan sports teams, business networking within our group of alumni, reunions, etc. What would YOU like to see?

HELP! We need correspondents. Please see the last page. And we need help with



# the distribution list. Please see page 3.

Finally, please advise of any corrections. If your name or any information is incorrect, simply e-mail the correct info to *LPSSMatters@*aol.com.

#### Careers

In the January issue of *LPSS Matters* alumni were asked to provide information on their occupations. A summary of the results follow, and a more detailed overview "Career Summary" is attached to the e-mail that brought you this newsletter.

Many alumni and current LPSS students indicated a desire to benefit from the business resources that the alumni population could offer.

LPSS Matters is NOT a venue for commercial activities. However, we all stand to gain if graduates or students can benefit from this resource.

Should anybody wish additional career-related information from a graduate, or wish to communicate with someone in a particular field, please forward your request to *LPSS Matters* at LPSSMatters@aol.com. We will forward your request directly to one or more individuals who are in that field, and they can respond directly back.

## INDUSTRY % OF ALUMNI

1
1
2
9
3
8
6

Financiai	16
Fire Fighter	1
Food	1
Forestry	1
Government	3
Industrial	1
Information Technology	1
Insurance	1
Law	5 3
Manufacturing	3
Marketing	1
Media	7
Medical	9
Personnel	1
Real Estate	5 2
Retail	2
Sales	1
Service	5 2
Social Work	2
Sports	1
Technology	2
Transportation	1
	100

#### **Archives**

#### THE END OF THE BUNKIE ERA

This article appeared in the Lorne Park Press, LP's student newspaper, in the April 1989 issue. It has been edited to save the author from embarrassment.

In my lifetime, I've witnessed the end of many eras. I still vividly remember when 1050 CHUM-AM changed music formats from Top 40 to Golden Oldies, the day when Pierre Trudeau retired from politics and most recently, Casey Kasem signing off as host of the popular "American Top 40" radio countdown.

However, when Lorne Park's own Casey Kasem, Mr. Douglas Dixon concluded the final set of announcements on March 10th by saying "Thank you for listening, have a good day, a good week," and finally bidding all of us good luck for the remainder of the school year, I realized that this was truly a milestone in Lorne Park's history.

For decades now, LP has learned about meetings, events and the latest news about extra-curricular activities via the loudspeaker. However, most recently, dwindling student listenership has prompted the Administration to favour a more effective system, namely, the distribution of a daily memorandum of the day's events to each homeform.

As I sat in homeroom on that peaceful Friday morning, I also realized that no longer will we hear Dixon's sheer enthusiasm over the system as he so diligently plowed through the heaps of announcements, jokes and sound effects that brought smiles to our faces. You can say that I have grown accustomed to his wit as I have for Kasem's irrelevant "AT40" trivia.

After sixteen years on the air and bellowing out an estimated 20,000 announcements, Dixon says he is supportive of the new method: "It's been fun. I'll miss it...people were just not listening, that's all. Whenever something doesn't work, you have to try something new."

Other

While the new system allows fanatics to collect the announcement memos on a daily basis, the former system allowed clubs and teams to be catchy, creative and flashy when publicizing their events. No longer will we hear background music or sound effects to commercials of the next dance. No longer will we hear such features as Mr. Science or "Which way did he go, which way did he go???" And no longer will we hear Mr. Craziness himself, Eric Sutherland faking a Southern accent demanding, "Do you LOVE your school? I said, do you LOVE your school? I do."

Whenever I recall the blandness of announcements back in my days at other schools, I reflect on Lorne Park mornings appreciating the zaniness and the craziness that has made our mornings brighter.

At that point, one of Dixon's catch phrases just seems to tumble out. "What's that you say, Bunkie? Your school doesn't do morning announcements over the P.A. system anymore because nobody seems to listen to them. And instead they give out sheets to each homeform to read every morning...is that what's troubling you, Bunkie?"

Well, look on the bright side, Bunkie, at least we won't be reminded to study hard for a June exam during the first week of April anymore!!!

#### Nanda Lwin

(Note: To demonstrate how much times have changed note that 1050 CHUM became an non-music, all-sports station earlier this year, Pierre Trudeau passed away last year and Casey Kasem has returned as host of AT40 in 1998.)

Nanda Lwin ('89) was Editor of the Lorne Park Press from 1987 to 1989. While at Lorne Park he prided himself on being the only one to study for June exams in early April.

#### Reunions

## LPSS

None to report, except to repeat that the third Tuesday of each month LPSS alumni get together at the Clarkson Pump & Patio in Mississauga. The address is 1744 Lakeshore Blvd. West, near Clarkson Road and Lakeshore Blvd. Phone number is (905) 855-9354. Next get together is November 20th, starting around 6:00 p.m.

Just when the caterpillar thought the world was over, It became a butterfly. Anonymous (submitted by Jessica McCrae ('91))

"If it weren't for pickpockets, I'd have no sex life at all."

Rodney Danger-

"I believe that sex is one of the most beautiful, natural, wholesome things that money can buy."

**Steve Martin** 

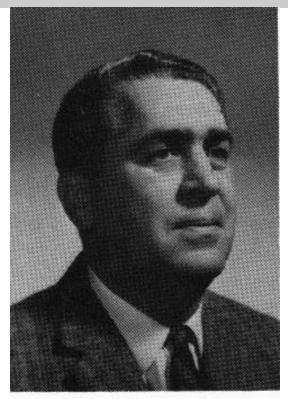


#### Letters

Lloyd Mumford was a quiet one who ruled with an iron fist. You didn't cross him at any time.

There is one story I recall relating to him. I was on vacation in 1973. I took the train - The Canadian- from Toronto to Vancouver. One day, going through the bush west of Thunder Bay, I overheard 2 elderly ladies chatting and the name Clarkson came up. Being a nosey and curious sort, I went over to them and introduced myself. I mentioned how travelers sometimes cross paths from similar starts and mentioned that I'd heard the reference to Clarkson. WELL! It turns out that the lady coming from Clarkson was Lloyd Mumford's mother! She had been visiting her son and was on her way home to Kenora. Talk about being dumbfounded! We had a nice chat, exchanging views on the principal character. My image of Lloyd Mumford was forever changed.

Jim Dickson Mississauga, Ont.



Mr. C. Tanner

Photo from "The Key" (1963)

Courtesy Jim Dickson ('62)

## The Seasons

Behold, O fond, deluded man, In this thy pictured life behold! Soon pass thy years of flowering Spring, The Summer's ardent strength declines. Thy sober Autumn fades to age, And pale concluding Winter comes Al last, and shuts the scene. Where now are fled those dreams of greatness Of happiness, those hopes? Those longings after fame, And all those restless cares? Where now those busy bustling days, Those days of energy? And where, where now those festive nights, Those nights of revelry? All vanished like a dream! And Virtue sole survives.

Virtue alone,
Man's never failing friend and guide,
Through all the changing years
Of sorrow and of joy,
Man's guide to happiness on high.
-unknown

### We Remember...

Brian Morris ('75)



#### HELP!!!!

If anybody is a member of Classmates.com, it would be a HUGE help if they could assist in maintaining the distribution list for *LPSS Matters*.

It's not a terribly timeconsuming job, but one that requires a bit of organization.

Please e-mail LPSS Matters at LPSSMatters@aol.com.

Thank you!!

(This editorial was originally broadcast 25 years ago by Gordon Sinclair.)

America: The Good Neighbour.

Widespread but only partial news coverage was given recently to a remarkable editorial broadcast from Toronto by Gordon Sinclair, a Canadian television Commentator. What follows is the full text of his trenchant remarks as printed in the Congressional Record:

"This Canadian thinks it is time to speak up for the Americans as the most generous and possibly the least appreciated people on all the earth. Germany, Japan and, to a lesser extent, Britain and Italy were lifted out of the debris of war by the Americans who poured in billions of dollars and forgave other billions in debts. None of these countries is today paying even the interest on its remaining debts to the United States. When France was in danger of collapsing in 1956, it was the Americans who propped it up, and their reward was to be insulted and swindled on the streets of Paris. I was there. I saw it. When earthquakes hit distant cities, it is the United States that hurries in to help. This spring 59 American communities were flattened by tornadoes. Nobody helped. The Marshall Plan and the Truman Policy pumped billions of dollars into discouraged countries. Now newspapers in those countries are writing about the decadent, warmongering Americans. I'd like to see just one of those countries that is gloating over the erosion of the United States dollar build its own airplane. Does any other country in the world have a plane to equal the Boeing Jumbo Jet, the Lockheed Tri-Star, or the Douglas DC10? If so, why don't they fly them? Why do all the International lines except Russia fly American Planes? Why does no other land on earth even consider putting a man or woman on the moon? You talk about Japanese technocracy, and you get radios. You talk about German technocracy, and you get automobiles. You talk about American technocracy, and you find men on the moon - not once, but several times - and safely home again. You talk about scandals, and the Americans put theirs right in the store window for everybody to look at. Even their draft-dodgers are not pursued and hounded. They are here on our streets, and most of them, unless they are breaking Canadian laws, are getting American dollars from ma and pa at home to spend here. When the railways of France, Germany and India were breaking down through age, it was the Americans who rebuilt them. When the Pennsylvania Railroad and the New York Central went broke, nobody loaned them an old caboose. Both are still broke. I can name you 5000 times when the Americans raced to the help of other people in trouble. Can you name me even one time when someone else raced to the Americans in trouble? I don't think there was outside help even during the San Francisco earthquake. Our neighbours have faced it alone, and I'm one Canadian who is damned tired of hearing them get kicked around. They will come out of this thing with their flag high. And when they do, they are entitled to thumb their nose at the lands that are gloating over their present troubles. I hope Canada is not one of those."

Stand proud, America! Wear it proudly!



# Spartan Stuff

*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:

1957-1964
1965-1969
1970-1974
1975-1979
1980-1984
1985-1989
1990-1994
1995-1999
2000-2004

1957–1964	Correspondent needed
1965–1969	Correspondent needed
1970–1974	Correspondent needed
1975–1979	Correspondent needed
1980–1984	Correspondent needed
1985–1989	Rob Boyko ('88)
1990–1994	Natasha Blair (Lemire-Blair) ('92)

1995-1999

2000-2004

Correspondent needed

Correspondent needed

Please contact *LPSS Matters* at *LPSSMatters*@aol.com. The pay is below minimum wage, but the satisfaction is well worth it.

# and finally...

#### **B.C. SALMON MARINADE**

In a container with lid, blend:

- ½ cup oil (Mazola, corn, etc.)
- 2 tablespoons soya sauce
- 1 tablespoon garlic powder
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1 tablespoon pepper
- 1/4-1/2 cup rye whiskey
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar

Shake well, refrigerate overnight (at least 5-6 hours). Place boneless filets (fresh, not previously frozen) flesh side down (skin side up) in container. Pour sauce over it, marinade 2-6 hours (the better the fish, like Coho or



Sockeye or Red Spring the longer). Barbecue skin side down on the grill, lid down, for 10 minutes. No need to flip. You can cut in pieces right on the barbecue, serve without the skin.



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