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We have had many instances where alumni have changed their e-mail addresses and not let us know. If you or anyone you know have changed or are changing your e-mail, LET US KNOW!!!

#### **Chill Out!**

"Today is the tomorrow we worried about yesterday and all is well"

Source: Unknown

# **HAPPY 2003!**

# Test Your Knowledge of the Notable (and not so Notable) News Events of 2002

(taken from the G&M, 1/1/03)

1. Who won the Wimbledon men's singles title?

2. Which party won the Yukon election?3. Which U.S. diva said she had kicked a drug habit through the

power of prayer?

4. Who was the subject of the biography Shakey?

5. Who won the Art Ross trophy as the NHL's leading scorer?

6. The U. of T. law school approved fee increases over the next 5 years that will bring tuition to what level?

7. Canadian 15-year old students finished 2nd in the OECD tests for literacy. Which students were 1st?

8. The Catholic Church faced how large a deficit after the visit to Canada of Pope John Paul II?

9. What percentage of Canadian children are obese?

10. What percentage of Canadians have a "very" or "somewhat" favourable opinion of Americans?

11. Which Nobel Prize winner urged the United States to abolish all its weapons of mass destruction?

12. National Geographic quizzed young adults about geography in Mexico, Britain, Germany, the U.S., Sweden, France and Canada. Which country's young adults won?

13. Which 20-year old topped Forbes Celebrity 100 list for combining money and fame?

14. From which sport was a player suspended 10 games for biting an opponent's scrotum?

15. Which country did the most immigrants to Canada come from?

16. How many people worldwide do the UN estimate have AIDS?

17. The crime rate rose fastest in 2001 in which Canadian city?

18. Which industrialized country has the largest proportion of common-law couples? The Cnd. rate is 16; this country's is 30.

19. How many people in Canada spend the night in shelters?

20. Who was the host of the televised Oscars?

21. Pete Rose Jr. played for which team in the Northern League?

22. The representative of which country won Miss World?

23. How old was Peter Gzowski when he died?

24. Norwegian Book Clubs asked 100 writers in 54 countries to rank the best 10 books in history. Which was the top book?

25. Which Canadian chartered bank stock dropped 30% in 2002?

26. Who won the 2002 World Junior Hockey Championship?

27. Actress Pamela Anderson became engaged to which singer?

Lleyton Hewitt Yukon Party Whitney Houston

Neil Young Jerome Iginla \$22,000

**Finland** 

\$30 million

18% 78%

Jimmy Carter

Sweden

**Britney Spears** 

Australian Rules Football China 42 million Regina Sweden

14,000

Whoopi Goldberg Winnipeg Goldeyes Turkev

67

Don Quixote

Toronto Dominion Russia

Kid Rock

## THINK YOU'RE HAVING A BAD DAY?

#### THESE ARE ACTUAL CASES.

Fire authorities in California found a corpse in a burned out section of forest while assessing the damage done by a forest fire. The deceased male was dressed in a full wet suit, complete with scuba tanks on his back, flippers, and face mask in the middle of the forest.

A post-mortem test revealed that the man died not from burns, but from massive internal injuries. Dental records provided a positive identification. Investigators then set about to determine how a fully clad diver ended up in the middle of a forest fire.

It was revealed that on the day of the fire, the man went diving off the coast, some 20 miles from the forest. The fire fighters, seeking to control the fire as quickly as possible, had called in a fleet of helicopters with very large dip buckets. Water was dipped from the ocean and emptied at the site of the forest fire.

You guessed it. One minute our diver was making like Flipper in the Pacific, the next, he was doing the breast stroke in a fire dip bucket 300 feet in the air and then airborne into smoke heaven.

Some days it just doesn't pay to get out of bed.

Still think you're having a bad day? A man was working on his motorcycle on the patio, his wife nearby in the kitchen. While sitting on the bike and racing the engine, the motorcycle accidentally slipped into gear. The man, still holding onto the handlebars, was dragged along as it burst through the glass patio doors.

His wife, hearing the crash, ran in the room to find her husband cut and bleeding, the motorcycle, and the shattered patio door. She called for an ambulance and, because the house sat on a fairly large hill, went down the several flights of stairs to meet the paramedics and escort them to her husband.

While the attendants were loading her husband, the wife managed to right the motorcycle and push it outside. She also quickly blotted up the spilled gasoline with some paper towels and tossed them into the toilet.

After being treated and released, the man returned home, looked at the shattered patio door and the damage done to his motorcycle. He went into the bathroom and consoled himself with a cigarette while attending to his business. About to stand, he flipped the butt between his legs. The wife, who was in the kitchen, heard a loud explosion and her husband screaming. Finding him lying on the bathroom floor with his trousers blown away and burns on his legs

groin, she once again phoned for an ambulance. The same paramedic crew was dispatched. As the paramedics carried the man down the stairs to the ambulance they asked the wife how he had come to burn himself. She told them. They started laughing so hard, one slipped, tipping the stretcher and dumping the husband out. He fell down the remaining stairs, breaking his arm.



Still having a bad day? Just remember, it could be worse. ..

The average cost of rehabilitating a seal after the Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska was \$80,000. At a special ceremony, two of the most expensively saved animals were being released back into the wild amid cheers and applause from onlookers. A minute later, in full view, a killer whale ate them both.

According to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, while both male and female reindeer grow antlers in the summer each year, male reindeer drop their antlers at the beginning of winter, usually late November to mid-December. Female reindeer retain their antlers till after they give birth in the spring. Therefore, according to EVERY historical rendition depicting Santa's reindeer, EVERY single one of them, from Rudolph to Blitzen, had to be a girl. We should've known. ONLY women would be able to drag a fat-ass man in a red velvet suit all around the world in one night and not get lost.

Sent in by Lynn Jenkins (Stevenson) ('71)



### "Into the Unknown"

## — Lynn Jenkins (Stevenson) ('71)

#### How To Be a Psychic— Bruce County Style

(We are fortunate to Lynn Jenkins (Stevenson) ('71) in our midst as a fellow alumni. Lynn writes a regular column for LPSS Matters. The following was a class assignment written by a student at Ryerson)

She doesn't use a crystal ball. She doesn't have an accent of any sort. She doesn't even have a one nine-hundred number that will cost you \$1.50 per minute. All she needs is intuition.

Mary Lynn, who prefers to go by her first name professionaly, has a husband (Russ), three grown children (Nicole Macfarlane, Melissa Macfarlane and Michael Macfarlane), three dogs, and lives on two acres of land in Bervie, a small town near Kincardine, Ont. Oh, and did I mention she's a psychic?

An only child, Mary Lynn was born in Scotland, and her family moved to Canada when she was six. She grew up in Mississauga, Ont., and moved to Bervie about a year ago, after living in Port Elgin, Ont. for four years and Thorold, Ont. for five years before that.

"I've always seen things and known things as far back as I can remember," Mary Lynn says before taking a sip of her Rooibos tea. She talks in a smooth, calm, tone that fills a person with the same warmth as the tea she's holding.

"Back then, I never knew I was going to be a psychic," she says.

Mary Lynn's casual attitude toward the paranormal is shared by her children. When asked what it's like to have a psychic mother, Mary Lynn's two daughters use the same reply each time: "What's it like not having a psychic mother?"

As for Melissa, the youngest at 22 a parent who is a counsellor working at home. "It still pays the bills," she says.

Although her daughters have been fortunate enough to live in a society where paranormal issues are more widely accepted, when Mary Lynn was young, anything related to the paranormal wasn't considered normal at all. But, little Mary Lynn didn't even know what "paranormal" meant. As far as she was concerned, she was just like any other kid.

However, when Mary Lynn turned 13, she realized she was different. She was scared of her feelings and visions. She didn't have anyone to talk to about it, so she tried to block the premonitions for many years, but they were persistent. Something was telling her she had to accept this gift.

So, after having had her first reading done in England when she was 16, and another by Lizanne Gallo, a psychic in Mississauga, in 1987 she decided to take Gallo's course on reading tarot cards.

It was through this course that Mary Lynn finally came to terms with her abilities. She learned how to handle the visions and to understand the information coming in.

Mary Lynn is clairvoyant, which means she doesn't need any tools like crystals or tarot cards to read a person's fortune. She only uses tarot cards if she's tired and needs a little help, or the client requests it for a visual representation. Mary Lynn believes she was given this gift so she can help people.

Nicole shares her mother's giving nature, as she says Mary Lynn helped her decide on her career goal. She wants to be a counsellor for addictions and eating disorders. Nicole says she recognizes her own psychic abilities, and works with them more than her two siblings. She has cleansed houses (rid the home of evil spirits) with her mom, and learned to use psychometry (the ability to get a reading by holding a client's personal item). She believes her abilities will help her in her career.

She and Melissa both believe in the paranormal, and have both seen ghosts and their mother's predictions become reality.

Nicole recalls her mother used anagrams to predict "Brian met bride in bar" about two years ago. Nicole met her recent fiancé, Brian Woodbridge, in the bar where she used to work at in Kitchener.

Today, Mary Lynn has clients in British Columbia, Toronto, and other parts of Canada and the United States, as well as some in Scotland. She says she's seeing a lot more young adults these days who are more worried about their careers than relationships. Another hot topic she's noticed is a concern about finances. The strange thing is, she got most of these clients after she moved to Bruce County. But, she doesn't think location is a factor in her success, as much as the amount of promotion she does.

Her career has taken her many places and given her many opportunities. She had her first TV appearance in 1994 for the Rogers Cable show, "Psychic Dimensions" with Richard Ravenhawk. She was also named one of Canada's top five psychics on CHTV's "Live Morning Show" when she gave her predictions for 2002. Mary Lynn also works for the Country Music Association's Country Music Awards (CMA's), as Sony Music insists she returns each year to do readings for their staff and friends.

(cont.)

## "Into the Unknown" (cont.)

In addition to her many television appearances, Mary Lynn has also been on a number of radio programs across Ontario, including Toronto's Mix 99.9.

Despite her popularity in the Toronto area, she says she loves working and living in Bruce County, and would never want to move. There aren't many psychics in the small rural towns, and the people who live along the Bruce peninsula are very accepting of her work, says Mary Lynn.

"The energy is better here," she says with a smile and a little sparkle in her blue eyes.

These days, she needs that energy, as she has many projects on the go.

Her biggest project right now is to

find some funding to make a demo tape of her TV talk show, "Into the unkUnknown."

She had been doing the show on Sautel Six, the local cable station in Port Elgin, for the past few years, but it is no longer being taped there. Mary Lynn has since teamed up with a producer from Waterloo, Ont. As soon as they get the funding, they'll produce a demo to present to a network in New York that is interested in her show.

She says she wants to "help people understand what we're [psychics] all about" and to give different practitioners the opportunity to explain what they do, and how they do it.

Mary Lynn is also currently working on creating her own set of tarot cards. A friend is doing the illustrations, and Mary Lynn is writing the meanings for them. She predicts they'll be ready to be published within six months. She also reads tea leaves for a fee of \$5 at The Ivy Tea Room and Craft Studio in Paisley, Ont. the last Saturday of every month. On top of this, she writes a column about all things paranormal for the Lorne Park Secondary School online newsletter, "LPSS Matters."

And that doesn't even include the private consultations she does out of her home for \$40.

With all three of her children grown and moved out, she is certainly keeping herself busy. Her husband, Russ, is very supportive of Mary Lynn's career.

"Life is not boring being married to Mary Lynn, that is for certain."

#### **Letters**

#### **E-mail Spamming**

Are you getting tons of spam messages? Sure, everyone gets them, from get rich schemes to invites to sex pages and really, just plain junk!

I have just come across a marvellous pgm that is just the ticket for this crap, and it's free! I just loaded it up and it works. The program is called Mailwasher at http://www.mailwasher.net.

What it does is gives you a screen whereby you can see the names and headers of all mail. Then you can pick and choose what you want deleted. This is deleted from your ISP's server and doesn't clutter up your hard drive.

I really urge everyone to at least take a look. It can make your email life much easier to put up with.



Jim Dickson ('62)

## WWW.BICYCLEREGISTRY.COM A FREE WEBSITE !!!!!

HI LORNE PARK GRADS

I HAVE PUT TOGETHER A WEBSITE THAT IS COMPLETELY FREE FOR ALL IN NORTH AMERICA TO USE,,,,,ALL FOR FREE !!!! HERE IS HOW IT WORKS ,,,JUST VISIT THE WEBSITE AND REGISTER YOUR BICYCLE (ANY AGE OF PERSON AND ANY BICYCLE). IF YOUR CYCLE IS STOLEN AND THE POLICE RECOVER THE BICYCLE, ONLY THE POLICE HAVE ACCESS TO THE DATA BASE TO TRACK IT BACK TO THE RIGHTFUL OWNER, ALL FOR FREE NO HIDDEN AGENDA, JUST A GOOD TURN.

OH, BY THE WAY, I GRADUATED FROM LORNE PARK

BILL LEDIARD ('72)

#### We Remember...

#### Catherine Kerr ('62)

Catherine Kerr, Lorne Park 1962, was killed in a motor vehicle accident on Sunday November 17th, 2002. Catherine was standing at the road side attempting to assist a car that had gone off the road when another car struck her. The accident was on Airport road with driving conditions bad due to a significant snow and ice storm. The funeral took place at Church of St. Bride's Anglican, Clarkson, on Friday November 22, 2002. For the past 12 years, Catherine has been a close friend of my wife and I.

At the funeral home, Catherine's mother was reminiscing with us and said how much she would have liked to get in touch with two of your Alumni that were very close to her daughter when she was in school. I told her I would attempt to reach the classmates. Your chief Librarian gave me this email address indicating that, from the recent reunion material, someone may be able to assist. The two students I would like to contact are (1) Jean Godsman—Jean did not go on to Grade 13. After grade 12 she went to Radcliff College in the USA. She was an excellent student and a member of the 12A class. She received the grade 12 proficiency prize in 1961. And (2) Alexandra (ALI) Koohtow Mrs. Kerr thinks Ali may have gone into Radio or Journalism. She was also an excellent student. The 1962 year book entry indicates she intended to go to Honours English at University of Toronto.

Catherine Kerr was the top student of 1962 grade 13 year receiving numerous awards. She gave the Valedictory address at the 1963 awards presentation. Following graduation from U of T, Catherine held a top position with the Department of National Defense in Ottawa representing Canada through out the world. As a personal avocation she became a world recognized expert in Antique Dolls. She had two children. A married daughter who is expecting her first child and who also is a U of T graduate working in Ottawa for the government. Catherine's son is working in Europe, but did make it home for the funeral. Catherine has two sisters who also graduated from LPSS.

Several people spoke at Catherine's funeral, but just as her mother would have, Catherine's daughter asked that the people present forgive the driver that struck her mother and say a prayer for them. The car that hit them held a family of husband, wife and children. They watched it helplessly happen. Her mother was

struck from behind and never regained consiousness.

Catherine had a large circle of friends who loved her dearly. Lorne Park Secondary School can be well pleased to have had Catherine as an example of the graduates of your school. She was very proud to have been a member of the first class to have gone all five years to the then new school. Thank you in advance for any assistance you can provide.

Sincerely

Ed note:

Thanks to efforts all around, both Jean Godsman and Ali Koohtow have been contacted.

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#### Tim Slater ('82)

Please add the name of Tim Slater to the list of students who have passed away. Tim passed away last week after a short illness. I think he graduated around 1980. Please check it out. If you need more info let me know. Thanks again.

Mike Parsons ('79)

Tim Slater who graduated in 1982 (I think) passed away in October 2002

Leslie Bellamy (Hawkins) ('82)

#### Stephanie Kelly ('59)

I would like to see Stephanie Kelly, class of '59, in your list. She was beautiful, kind and funny and passed away much too young - in her late 20's - leaving a husband and 2 lovely young daughters. Thank you

Virginia Haggerty (Ginny Reed '59)



## We Remember... (cont.)

#### Susan Holbrooke (Follari) ('61)

Mary Lou May was told by David Holbrooke had some very sad news - his sister Susan had passed away last year (March 2001) of Lou Gehrig's disease. She was involved in the theatre in New York City Such a talent! And so young Susan Follari - Violist, Pianist, Composer, Educator.

Born in Canada, Susan Follari completed of Toronto with performance and teaching working as a pianist and violist for the appearing as a frequent recitalist – both immigrated to New York with her cellist In the U.S., Susan has played with the America Symphony, the Bronx Arts organizations. She is much sought after and violist and has been house contractor

As an educator, Susan designed and Green Meadow Waldorf School in Spring viola, coached chamber music and years. As soloist, Susan has appeared Connecticut, New York, New Jersey and A commissioned composer, Susan has Eurythmy Troupe, the Bronx Arts Connecticut, the Mid-Atlantic Chamber

her musical education at the University degrees in both viola and piano. After National Ballet of Canada, and live and on C.B.C radio – she husband.

New York City Ballet and Opera, The Ensemble and several freelance as a chamber musician both as pianist on many Broadway shows.

administered the music curriculum at Valley, NY where she taught violin and conducted five orchestras for over 18 with numerous orchestras in Washington D.C. written works for the Spring Valley ensemble, the Ives Festival in Orchestra and the Hamman-Calhoun

Duo. She is a recipient of the Meet-the-Composer grant from the New York State Council on the Arts.

Susan has recorded several chamber works on Leonarda, Epic and Musical Heritage labels and often records for film and TV. As artistic director of the Waldorf Trio in residence at Threefold Auditorium in Spring Valley, Susan created an annual concert series under the auspices of Threefold Educational Foundation and the New York Council of the Arts. She is in the process of recording her music for Herculon Classics label.

See Gardens For Peace Artists In Residence website at http://www.gardensforpeace.org/artists.html

Fred Hilditch ('63)



Here are some actual comments made by sports commentators that I'm sure they would like to take back:

1. Weightlifting commentator at the Olympic Snatch and Jerk Event:

"This is Gregoriava from Bulgaria. I saw her snatch this morning during her warm up and it was amazing."

2. Ted Walsh - Horse Racing Commentator:

"This is really a lovely horse and I speak from personal experience since I once mounted her mother."

#### 3. Grand Prix Race Announcer:

"The lead car is absolutely, truly unique, except for the one behind it which is exactly identical to the one in front of the similar one in back."

#### 4. Greg Norman, Pro Golfer:

"I owe a lot to my parents, especially my mother and father."

#### 5. Ringside Boxing Analyst:

"Sure there have been injuries and even some deaths in boxing - but none of them were really that serious."

#### 6. Baseball announcer:

"If history repeats itself, I should think we can expect the same thing again."

#### 7. Basketball analyst:

"He dribbles a lot and the opposition doesn't like it. In fact you can see it all over their faces."

#### 8. At a trophy ceremony BBC TV Boat Race 1988:

"Ah, isn't that nice, the wife of the Cambridge president is hugging the cox of the Oxford crew."

#### 9. Metro Radio, College Football:

"Julian Dicks is everywhere. It's like they've got eleven Dicks on the field."

#### 10. US Open TV Commentator:

"One of the reasons Arnie Palmer is playing so well is that, before each final round, his wife takes out his balls and kisses them. Oh my God, what have I just said?"

This apparently was a real memo sent out by a computer company to its employees in all seriousness. It went to all field engineers about a computer peripheral problem. The author of this memo was quite genuine. The word is that the engineers literally rolled on the floor!

Re: Replacement of Mouse Balls

If a mouse fails to operate or should it perform erratically, it may need a ball replacement. Mouse balls are now available as FRU (Field Replacement Units). Because of the delicate nature of this procedure, replacement of mouse balls should only be attempted by properly trained personnel. Before proceeding, determine the type of mouse balls by examining the underside of the mouse.

Domestic balls will be larger and harder than foreign balls. Ball removal procedures differ depending upon the manufacturer of the mouse.

Foreign balls can be replaced using the pop off pod. Domestic balls are replaced by using the twist off pod. Mouse balls are not usually static sensitive. However, excessive handling can result in sudden discharge.

Upon completion of ball replacement, the mouse may be used immediately.

It is recommended that each person have a pair of spare balls for maintaining optimum customer satisfaction.

Any customer missing his balls should contact the local personnel

charge of removing and replacing these necessary items.

Please keep in mind that a customer without properly working balls is an unhappy customer.

Submitted by Lynn Jenkins (Stevenson) ('71)



#### **LOOKING BACK**

Looking back, it's hard to believe we have lived as long as we have...

As children, we would ride in cars with no seat belts or air bags. Riding in the back of a pickup truck on a warm day was always a special treat.

Our baby cribs were covered with bright colored lead-based paint. We had no child-proof lids on medicine bottles, doors, or cabinets, and when we rode our bikes, we had no helmets. (Not to mention hitchhiking to town as a young kid!)

We drank water from the garden hose and not from a bottle. We would spend hours building gocarts out of scraps and then ride down the hill, only to find out we forgot the brakes. After running into the bushes a few times we learned to solve the problem.

We would leave home in the morning and play all day, as long as we were back home when the streetlights came on.

No one was able to reach us all day. No cell phones. Unthinkable. We played dodgeball and sometimes the ball would really hurt. We got cut and broke bones and broke teeth and there were no

law suits from these accidents. They were accidents. No one was to blame but us. Remember accidents?

We had fights and punched each other and got black and blue and learned to get over it.

We ate cupcakes, bread and butter, and drank sugar soda but we were never overweight... We were always outside playing.

We shared one grape soda with four friends, from one bottle, and no one died from this.

We did not have Playstations, Nintendo 64, X-Boxes, video games at all, 99 channels on cable, video tape movies, surround sound, personal cellular phones, Personal Computers, Internet chat rooms.......

We had friends.

We went outside and found them. We rode bikes or walked to a friend's home and knocked on the door, or rung the bell, or just walked in and talked to them. Imagine such a thing. Without asking a parent! By ourselves! Out there in the cold cruel world! Without a guardian. How did we do it?

We made up games with sticks and tennis balls and ate worms and although we were told it would happen, we did not put out very many eyes, nor did the worms live inside us forever.

Little League had tryouts and not everyone made the team. Those who didn't had to learn to deal with disappointment.....

Some students weren't as smart as others so they failed a grade and were held back to repeat the same grade. Tests were not adjusted for any reason.

Our actions were our own. Consequences were expected. No one to hide behind. The idea of a parent bailing us out if we broke a law was unheard of. They actually sided with the law, imagine that!

This generation has produced some of the best risk takers and problem solvers and inventors, ever.

The past 50 years has seen an explosion of innovation and new ideas. We had freedom, failure, success and responsibility, and we learned how to deal with it all.

And you're one of them
Congratulations!
Lynn Jenkins (Stevenson) ('71)

#### **Back to the Ordinary**

(plagerized with permission! Taken from a message given by Betty Milne, Saskatoon, SK)

Just last week we were singing Christmas carols and enjoying the decorations ... but somehow the excitement, anticipation and expectancy we have before Christmas fades, and the feeling of somehow being let down begins to invade our minds.

This is now the season of crumpled wrapping paper, full trash bins, going home or saying good-bye to visitors. Instead of thinking about the advent of the Master on Christmas, we might be thinking about the advent of the MasterCard bill in January. In a few days, there will be school starting, getting back to work, writing annual

reports, cleaning house, finishing up the leftovers, and taking down the tree. There is the feeling that Christmas is over. We have reached the peak and are now on the slide downwards.

If you can keep Christmas, if you can be caring and generous and loving for one day, why can't we keep Christmas for the other 364 days? Why can't we keep Christmas going all year?

Because that would not be possible.

If every day was Christmas and if every evening was Christmas Eve, it wouldn't be Christmas ... because Christmas takes us out of the ordinary, away from the routine and the expected. It gives us something

....(cont.) wonderful and special. And though we hate to part with Christmas, there is something in us that looks forward to the time after Christmas -- after the busyness, to a time of quietness; after the turkey and fruitcake and sweets, to a time of bread and butter and hamburgers, salads and corn flakes. It is a time to resume the ordinary after the great intrusion of the extraordinary.

What kind of people would we be if we were always doing something different, or if we were always on the mountaintop and never in the valley. No matter how sensitive or mature we are, there are always peaks and valleys and sunshine and rain. That is the rhythm of life.

There is excitement and thrill in the new and different but there is stability in routine and strength in tradition. In the midst of every day life back home, would that sense of joy and excitement and wonder disappear under the routine of work of responsibilities? The extraordinary breaks into our lives and brings us great joy. It's necessary and leaves us changed. But then the usual returns and it's back to the ordinary, and that, too, brings us great joy. After a wedding and the honeymoon, there's the marriage. After graduation and convocation, there's getting a job. After holidays, there's a return to work. After the wonder of giving birth to a baby, there are the night feedings and diaper changing and years of teaching and discipline. And that's the way life is.

Best wishes for a safe, happy and "ordinary" 2003.

Dana-Leigh Tisdale ('71)



1960 - Queens in waiting

Cindy Harris, Dale Perigoe, Diane Harvison, Shari Syme, Anna Kinzer, and the Queen - Joan (Eagle) Terry

Courtesy Fred Hilditch ('63)

#### George Carlin Strikes Again .....

1.Ever wonder about those people who spend \$2.00 apiece on those little bottles of Evian water? Try spelling Evian backwards. NAIVE

2.Isn't making a smoking section in a restaurant like making a peeing section in a swimming pool?

3.OK... so if the Jacksonville Jaguars are known as the "Jags" and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers are known as the "Bucs," what does that make the Tennessee Titans?

4.If 4 out of 5 people SUFFER from diarrhea, does that mean that one enjoys it?

5. There are three religious truths:

1. Jews do not recognize Jesus as the Messiah.

2. Protestants do not recognize the Pope as the leader of the Christian faith.

3.Baptists do not recognize each other in the liquor store or at Hooters

6.If you take an Oriental person and spin him around several times, does he become disoriented?

7.If people from Poland are called Poles, why aren't people from Holland called Holes?

8.Why do we say something is out of whack? What's a whack?

9.Do infants enjoy infancy as much as adults enjoy adultery?

10.If a pig loses its voice, is it disgruntled?

11. If love is blind, why is lingerie so popular?

12. When someone asks you, "A penny for your thoughts" and you put your two cents in. What happens to the other penny?

13. Why is the man who invests all your money called a broker?

14. Why do croutons come in airtight packages? Aren't they just stale bread to begin with?

15. When cheese gets its picture taken, what does it say? 16. Why is a person who plays the piano called a pianist but a person who drives a racecar not called a racist?

17.Why are a wise man, and a wise guy opposites?
18.Why do overlook and oversee mean opposite things?
19.Why isn't the number 11 pronounced onety one?
20."I am" is reportedly the shortest sentence in the English language. Could it be that "I do" is the longest sentence?

21.If lawyers are disbarred and clergymen defrocked, doesn't it follow that electricians can be delighted, musicians denoted, cowboys deranged, models deposed, tree surgeons debarked, and dry cleaners depressed.
22.If Fed Ex and UPS were to merge, would they call it Fed UP?

23.Do Lipton Tea employees take coffee breaks? 24.What hair colour do they put on the driver's licenses of bald men?

25.I was thinking about how people seem to read the Bible a whole lot more as they get older then it dawned on me

They're cramming for their final exam.

26.I thought about how mothers feed their babies with tiny little spoons and forks so I wondered what do Chinese mothers use. Toothpicks?

27. Why do they put pictures of criminals up in the Post Office? What are we supposed to do, write to them? Why don't they just put their pictures on the postage stamps so the mailmen can look for them while they deliver the mail?

28.If it's true that we are here to help others, then what exactly are the others here for?

29.You never really learn to swear until you learn to drive. 30. No one ever says, "It's only a game" when their team is

winning.

31.Ever wonder what the speed of lightning would be if it didn't zigzag?

32.Last night I played a blank tape at full blast. The mime next door went nuts.

33.If a cow laughed, would milk come out her nose?34.Whatever happened to Preparations A through G?

Contributed by Jim Dickson ('62)



## **Spartan Stuff**

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

We Remember *Cathy Kerr*. I knew Cathy Kerr really well for almost five years in the same class. I then had occasion to work with her at National Defence, Ottawa on several projects in the early nineties. We had lunch a few times and went over the "good old times" at LPSS. Thanks to Art Nielsen.

I knew Cathy from public school days. She always struck me as a fireball, really the energetic type. Thanks to Jim Dickson.

We were in the same class and were good friends. Thanks to Olaf von Ramm.



CATHY KERR



We Remember *Susan (Follari) Holbrooke.*('61) - Violist, Pianist, Composer, Educator Born in Canada, Susan Follari completed her musical education at the University of Toronto with performance and teaching degrees in both viola and piano. After working as a pianist and violist for the National Ballet of Canada, and appearing as a frequent recitalist – both live and on C.B.C radio – she immigrated to New York with her cellist husband. See Gardens For Peace Artists In Residence website at http://www.gardensforpeace.org/artists.html. She was a talented pianist, as well as a very accomplished cellist. In our pre-high school days, we used to compete against each other in the Peel Music Festival piano competition. In fact, we played a duet together once or twice in the festival. I remember going to her house on Indian Road to practice our duets. I have some good memories of Susan!! Thanks to Suzie Reed



Hillcrest Public School – An enquiry about Cathy Kerr from David Ripley, (Dentist in Collingwood) looking for Jean Godsman led me (Fred Hilditch) to ask if he was the same person who lived on the 5<sup>th</sup> Line north of the QEW and did he go to Hillcrest. Long story short – same guy. He sent pictures of the school and classes and we and others Carol Macnab, Peter Crawford discussed the various people in the picture from 1952. Dave and I were in grade 3. By the way there were 3 grades in this class, grades 3, 4, and 5. The individuals in the picture were Tannis Bastin, Paul Curran, Brian Robinson, Graeme Box, Carol Macnab (grade 5) (Married name Williams, Whitney Millard, Alan Oughtred, William Schenk, Lenore Sawyer, Dave Lawrence, Winnie Younger, Leah Blaker. Lynn Irwin, Marjorie Ghent, Fred Hilditch, Bill Duff, Lloyd Marshment, Paul Newman, David Dennis, John Moss, Judy McCready, David Ripley. The teacher was Miss. Burnett married about 1955 and became Mrs. Fishwick. The original Hillcrest public

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school was at the intersection of Southdown (Erin Mills Parkway) and QEW.

We remember Doug Cowan ('62) married to Diane Dawson (63) went to Lorne Park, big tall fellow with reddish hair.

**John Hilditch** ('65) -. just wanted you to know that I have enjoyed the photos you have sent and although I don't know anyone from the Hillcrest school group (I came to Clarkson in "57) I did recognize some of the faces on the hockey team. Your brother looks the same as I remember him. **Baby Faced!!!** From Pat Raham

The Reed sisters Ginny ('59) and Suzie ('62) lived on the northwest corner of Lorne Park Rd. and the Lakeshore. There are 2 other Reed kids - Georgia born in 1948 and Joe in 1950. Georgia is married & has lived in Las Vegas for many years. Joe, also married, lives in Mississauga.

#### **Interesting Web Sites:**

Bob Everest - environsnursery.com
Crowder, Peter - kncrowder.com
Geoff Robinson - seaair.ca
Greg Thorne - harbourkitchens.com
John Everest - everestnurseries.com
Ron Dyche - www.pawsawhile.ca - good picture of Ron

Steve Moss lived in Birchwood. His father was president of Arrow Films, drove nothing but Jaguars, had a trapeze in the "gym" room, a sailboat imported from England etc. I spent a lot of time with Steve but have lost touch with him. Believe he's working in Bellville or Brockville building sailboats. His brother John was an English professor at Queens. Thanks to Peter Crawford

Sandra Lindsay reports we had our mini-reunion at my house. The people there were Karen Turner, Ruth Clark (Scratch), Mary Joan Brooker (Dutcher) and I from '64 with Mary Jane Ashenhurst from '63. We had a great time and got caught up on the last "however many" years.

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

Susan Bourbonniere (Letson) ('69) Susan has a B.A. (Queen's), a Certificate in Personnel Management (Saint Mary's), and is a Certified Management Consultant (CMC). Susan was one of the founding Partners to open the Halifax Office of The Caldwell Partners in 1998. Previously, she had been responsible for KPMG's Executive Search Practice in Atlantic Canada. Susan had joined one of the predecessor firms, Stevenson Kellogg, as a human resource consultant in the late '80's, after a number of years with the Nova Scotia Government in senior Human Resource roles. Susan came to Halifax from Regina with John Letson, who wanted to study Oceanography. When they were divorced in 1979, Susan decided that Nova Scotia was home and has since built a lovely ocean side cottage near Liverpool, gathered together a wide circle of terrific friends and become a leader in the Halifax business community through her work with KPMG, The Caldwell Partners and senior volunteer roles. Susan is a Past President of Symphony Nova Scotia and the Halifax Y.W.C.A. She is a member of the Institute of Certified Management Consultants in Atlantic Canada and is currently serving as Vice Chair of the Board of the United Way of Halifax Region. She will chair that significant volunteer Board from 2003-05. She is also on the nominating committee of the Nova Scotia Community College and is a frequent speaker on career development at Dalhousie and Saint Mary's MBA programs.

*Lydia Shevchuk* ('68) After high school, I attended the University of Toronto where I completed my undergraduate degree in mathematical psychology. It was during this time that my daughter was born (she's now 31). Shortly after I moved to Winnipeg with my husband and it there that my son was born (he's 26). In Winnipeg I also completed my masters degree in public policy. I now work for the federal government as a senior policy advisor but I have one eye

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### 1965—1969—(cont.)

on retirement which could be in a couple of years. I love being here in Winnipeg where we live downtown in a century old house that we completely gutted and renovated. To get away from it all though, we spend as much time as possible at our cottage which is located on our own island in a remote part of Northwest Ontario. Through my husband's business ( www.sheba.ca ) we are involved in the Winnipeg music community which adds another interesting dimension to my life. We also spend lots of time with our family (my kids and my three stepchildren, their partners and spouses and four grandchildren) who all live in the Winnipeg area.

Bruce McLeod ('68) I have lived in West Vancouver since 1980 and am in the Immigration Business, dealing primarily with new arrivals from the Middle East and Mainland China. Vancouver, Toronto, and now Halifax, are their most popular destinations and our company introduces them to Canadian companies and projects. My wife Christy and I have been married since '79, we have a daughter Meredith (4th year UVic), and a son Marshall (1st year Trent). We often come East to visit my mother in Oakville or to stay at the family cottage on Lake of Bays. Before last October's reunion, a group of us from Lorne Park days got together in Oakville for a pre-party. Included were from '68: Paul Gordon - Louisville, Ky; Bob Hodgkinson - Vancouver, BC; and Frank Oda - Ottawa. From '69: Bruce MacKay - Mississauga; from '70: Karen aka Kate Brown - Toronto, Karen Fessey and Donna Lucas - Mississauga and Barbara McLeod - Oakville. Finally, from '71: Jeff Bryden - Toronto, Tim Trueman - Mississauga, and Doug McLeod - Bethlehem, Pa. 1976 was well represented by Sherry Bleakley (MacKay) - also of Mississauga. Lots of fun and we'll do it again in 2007!

Susan Morris (Jenson) ('69) After LPSS I went to U of T/Erindale College and graduated in 1972. Met my husband, Karl, who was in the Air Force, later that year and we got married in 1973. We lived in Trenton ON till 1975, when we were posted to Lahr, West Germany (in the south), for six years. The German classes at LPSS & Erindale were very helpful in my jobs with DND (National Defence) while we were there. We had a great time there (no kids), and traveled quite a bit throughout Europe. We eventually returned to Trenton (a brief stay in Edmonton) in 82 and in 84 my son Christian was born. We were lucky enough to get another posting to Europe - this time to the NATO base in Geilenkirchen (northern Germany), returning in 1987 to - where else - Trenton! I've been working for the government, mostly DND, for almost 23 years - only 6 years left to retirement (unless they make me an offer I can't refuse!). My husband just retired this year after 35 years in the Air Force and we just moved to a new house in Ottawa - for my job this time. My son is finishing off Grade 12, working part time at the Ottawa Flying Club and will be going to College (Aviation Technology) next September - following in my husband's footsteps. After managing the DND Married Quarters in Trenton for a number of years, I now work for my Head Office, Canadian Forces Housing Agency, as a Project Manager for disposals and acquisition of housing. Ottawa is a great city and we are very happy to be here.

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

1975—1979—Michelle Nolan (Oliphant) ('77) mnolan42@cogeco.ca

<u>1980—1984</u>—Clarisa Stevens-Guille ('83) Clarissaed@planet.nl

**Andrea Law – Boudrias** ('82) and her husband are pleased to announce the birth of Lainey, born October 5<sup>th</sup>. We wish them all the best!

**Pablo Iglesius** ('83) went to the U. of T. and then on to Cambridge University in the U.K. to do a PhD. He's been a faculty member of the Johns Hopkins University since 1991 where he teaches primarily in the Electrical and Computer Engineering department, and occasionally in the Mathematical Sciences and Biomedical Engineering. Much of his research is in the field of computational biology (those interested can look at his website www.ece.jhu. edu/~pi). He's been married for seven years has two young sons.

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1985—1989—Rob Boyce ('88) rob.boyko@maketechnologies.com

1990—1994—Natasha Blair (Lemire-Blair) ('92) tash@abstrakt.org (assisted by Nanda Lwin ('89)

Jill Smithson (Golden) ('90) Jill is spending her first winter in Muskoka after having moved there this summer with husband Dave (married 1996) and their two children, Megan (4 yrs. old) and William (1 yr. old). They are part owners of Digital Guard (www.digitalguard.com), a business at which Jill works part time. Dave is Vice Principal at Bracebridge and Muskoka Lakes Secondary School. The couple lives in Bracebridge, Ontario.

#### Cheryl Hunter (van der Mark) ('92)

Cheryl is a chiropractor setting up her own practice in Oakville this March. She also lives in Oakville. Cheryl is married to a police officer and together they have three children: a girl, 6 yrs. old, and two boys - one 3 yrs. old, the other 9 months. Since graduating from LPSS, Cheryl has been busy with her education (including university) and family. She is still actively participating in sports.

**Joanna Schalk** ('92) Joanna is currently living in Portland, Oregon working in marketing. She is planning to create a website to showcase her photography soon.

**Robyn Lachene** ('92) Robyn is a lawyer currently working in the international human rights field in Namibia, Africa. She was married on August 4, 2001.

**Leanne Pauchuk** ('92) Since LPSS Leanne has got her Bachelor of Commerce from MacMaster University and has been working in advertising. She is currently living in Mississauga.

*Kathryn Sutherland* ('92) Kathryn is a personal fitness trainer with Body in Balance. She was married on July 20, 2002 and lives in Oakville.

Janet Donelley ('92) Currently working in marketing and sales. She lives in Waterdown, Ontario.

Stephanie Dale ('92) Since attending University of Guelph, Steph has travelled in central and eastern Europe, Asia and Africa. She currently lives in Ottawa where she is attending teacher's college.

**Natalie Kontakos** ('92) Since graduating from LPSS, Natalie has earned two degrees - a Bachelor of Science from the University of Guelph in 1996, a Master of Science from the University of Toronto in 1999. She is expected to graduate with a medical degree (MD) from the University of Toronto in 2003. Natalie has traveled extensively in Europe, Asia and Central and South America. She lives in Lorne Park.

Craig Smith ('93) Since graduating from LPSS, Craig has been employed in the music business. He started C.S. Dudgeon guitars, a guitar manufacturing business which he co-founded when he moved to Sweden. Craig is presently working for Fitzpatrick Import Group as a Salesmans/Product Manager/Clinician. He is responsible for the distribution of products - primarily music instruments and recording studio software - sold to music stores and studios in Sweden and Norway. Craig has also been a freelance guitarist and an instructor for Godin (Canadian based Guitar company) and Line 6 (Guitar Amplifiers from USA). He is based in Stockholm. On a personal level, Craig married a Swedish woman he met in Canada in 1995. He now lives in Sweden and has a family. He has two children - Liam (2 yrs. old) and Gloria (5 yrs. old). His e-mail address is smiths@chello.se

**Natasha Blair (Lemire-Blair)** ('92) A 1996 graduate of Wilfrid Laurier University with a Hon. BA in Political Science, Natasha is currently working for a non-profit trade association in the real estate industry. In August 2000, she married Frank Lemire. Natasha ran her first half-marathon in May and has competed in several orienteering and

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## 1980-84 (cont.)

adventure races, including a 160 km race where she had her first rappelling and caving experience. Natasha plans to compete in multi-day adventure races later this year. She presently lives with her husband in downtown Toronto.

**Stephanie Dale** Since since attending University of Guelph, Steph has traveled in central and eastern Europe, Asia and Africa. She currently lives in Ottawa where she is attending teacher's college."

1995—1999—Robbie Owen ('98) rsowen@hotmail.com

2000—2004—Correspondent needed



## A List of Interesting Things

If you yelled for 8 years, 7 months and 6 days you would have produced enough sound energy to heat one cup of coffee.

If you farted consistently for 6 years and 9 months, enough gas is produced to create the energy of an atomic bomb.

The human heart creates enough pressure when it pumps out to the body to squirt blood 30 feet.

A pig's orgasm lasts 30 minutes.

A cockroach will live nine days without its head before it starves to death

Banging your head against a wall uses 150 calories an hour.

The male praying mantis cannot copulate while its head is attached to its body. The female initiates sex by ripping the male's head off.

The flea can jump 350 times its body length. It's like a human jumping the length of a football field.

The catfish has over 27,000 taste buds.

Some lions mate over 50 times a day.

Butterflies taste with their feet.

The strongest muscle in the body is the tongue

Right-handed people live, on average, nine years Longer than left-handed people.

Elephants are the only animals that cannot jump.

A cat's urine glows under a black light.

Starfish have no brains.

Polar bears are left-handed.

Humans and dolphins are the only species that have sex for pleasure.

# and finally...

#### WHAT MAKES LIFE 100%?

Ever wonder about those people who say they are giving more than 100%? We have all been to, or read about, those meetings where someone wants over 100%. How about achieving more?

Here's a little math that might prove helpful. What makes life 100%? What makes more than 100%? Let's use mathematics and logic to figure it out!

If:

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQR STUVWXYZ is represented as:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Then, HARDWORK

8+1+18+4+23+15+18+11 = 98%

And KNOWLEDGE

11+14+15+23+12+5+4+7+5 = 96%

But, ATTITUDE

1+20+20+9+20+21+4+5 = 100%

And, BULLSHIT

2+21+12+12+19+8+9+20 = 103%

So, it stands to reason that hard work and knowledge will get you close, attitude will get you there, but bullshit will put you over the top. So, the next time someone claims to be giving over 100%, you know what they are doing......



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