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50th Anniversary
Celebration & Reunion
October 19-21, 2007

MISSISSAUGA

(History, Government, Geography, Economy, Demographics, Notable People)

Mississauga is Canada's seventh most populous municipality (Census Subdivision/CSD), located in the Regional Municipality of Peel, Ontario, and part of the Greater Toronto Area. It is the most populous lower-tier municipality in Ontario, and is also the largest suburban municipality in North America. It was purchased by the British in 1805 and incorporated as a city in 1974. Mississauga is a sister city of Kariya, Japan.

With seven major highways passing through the city, Mississauga offers fast and convenient access to major destinations in Canada and the United States. In addition, most of Toronto Pearson International Airport, Canada's busiest, is located in the city. Mississauga has doubled in population in each of the last two decades. Mississauga had the largest population growth in Canada (89,500) between the census years of 1986-1991. Another 80,994 were added between 1991-1996; an increase of 17.5% in the five-year period.



Mississauga's skyline is made up of high rise condominiums

Despite its size, Mississauga is thought of by some as a suburb of Toronto and the two cities' urban sprawls are indistinguishably linked. As Toronto has continued to grow economically, Mississauga has followed suit, building predominantly low-density tract housing and high rise condominiums to attract individuals tired of city life. At the same time, businesses saw the benefits of locating to Mississauga - low tax rates, proximity to a number of trans-

portation routes (air, rail, road), proximity to Toronto, and an abundance of land (at least, at the time) - and it soon became desirable to locate there. The city is debt-free and has not borrowed money since 1978.

While being in the top ten Canadian cities by population, Mississauga has few cultural institutions for a community its size due to its proximity to Toronto. It is by far the largest city in Canada without a daily newspaper (The Mississauga News is three days a week), and currently doesn't have any television stations or commercial radio stations. Mississauga is beginning to break away from its label as a "bedroom community" to Toronto as 25,000 more workers commute to jobs in Mississauga than leave. Despite this, Mississauga is virtually unknown outside of Ontario.

Mississauga has been trying to create a distinctive image for itself over the past few years. Plans for up to 40 new high-rise residential buildings have been approved recently for the city centre area near the Square One Shopping Centre, and an international architectural design competition was held in 2006 for a 50 storey condominium tower that is intended to be a landmark for the city. The winning design, by Chinese architect Yansong Ma of the MAD firm, is a bold, curvaceous tower that was dubbed the "Marilyn Monroe" for its supposed sexiness, and has received plaudits from urban architecture critics such as Christopher Hume of the Toronto Star. The building is currently scheduled to be finished by 2010.

HISTORY

At the time of the arrival of the Europeans in the 1600s, both Iroquoian and Algonquian speaking peoples already lived in

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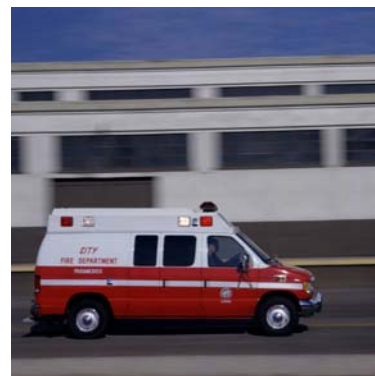
Subject: ICE idea - Emergency Numbers on Cell Phones

A good idea for cell phone users. A recent article from the Toronto Star, "the ICE idea", is catching on and it is a very simple, yet important method of contact for you or a loved one in case of an emergency. As cell phones are carried by the majority of the population, all you need to do is program the number of a contact person or persons and store the name as "ICE". The idea was thought up by a paramedic who found that the scenes of accidents, there were always mobile patients, but they didn't know which numbers to call. He therefore thought that it would be a good idea if there was a nationally recognized name to file "next of kin" under. Following a disaster in London, The East Anglican Ambulance Service has launched a national "In Case of Emergency (ICE)" campaign. The idea is that you store the word "ICE" in your mobile phone address book, and with it enter the number



of the person you would want to be contacted "In Case of Emergency". In an emergency situation, Emergency Services personnel and hospital staff would then be able to quickly contact your next of kin, by simply dialing the number programmed under "ICE". It really could save your life, or put a loved one's mind at rest. For more than one contact name simply enter ICE1, ICE2, ICE3 etc. A great idea that will make a difference!

*Submitted by:
John Lediard ('69)*



More HELL'S ANGELS



Left to Right: John Nelson, John Dowding, Art Cuthbert, Norm Fenton, Haden Heathcock, Peter Swalwell, Lonnie Bewick, Lynne Jackson, Miriam Bardswich, Julie Flannery, Bill Wallace, Brenda Dafoe, Dave Turner, Evelyn Clarke, Bev Jacobs, John Bernik, Gerry Campbell, Irene Harrison, Karen Caskey, Nancy Whetter, Tom Wright, Grant Baxter



50th ANNIVERSARY REUNION UPDATE

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES AND VOLUNTEERS

1959 - Patricia Conron (Henderson)
Virginia Haggerty
1960 - Mary Lou May (Baldwin)
Mike Thorne
Larry Curtis
1961 - Linda Fletcher (Baker)
Sue Bryan (Myllykangas)
1962 - Ally Sandy Koohtow (Kerr)
Margaret MacLennan (Dyne)
1963 - Rick Gorman
Karen Kerr
1964 - Mike Raham
1965 - Pat Raham (Carr)
1966 - Donna Walker (Harrison)
1967 - Doug Alton
Karen Empey (Alton)
1968 - Judy Darling (Orr)
Bruce McLeod
1969 - Wendy Arntfield (Van Exan)
1970 - Janet Pearson (Miller)
1971 - James Gerhart
1973 - Ross Murison

1974 - Julie Russell (Thur)
1975 - Chris Price
1976 - Sally Brown (Boyle)
1978 - Michelle Oliphant (Nolan)
1979 - Tim Frazer
1981 - Brenda Bennett (Learmonth)
Howard Smith
1982 - Timothy Brown
1983 - Clarissa Stevens-Guille
1985 - Ken Reeves
1988 - Bruce Parker
1994 - Julie Johnston (Zientak)
1995 - Lindsay Lepp (Williams)
1997 - Colin Crouse
2001 - Erin Crouse
Patrick Waller
2002 - Clive Chang
2005 - Alison Forde

1959 - 1964 - Fred Hilditch
Classmates.com (1959-1979) - Laura Hornsby
(Slonetsky)

We still need Class Representatives and Volunteers for eighteen years—1972, 1977, 1980, 1984, 1986-87, 1989-93, 1996, 1998-00, 2003-04, 1980 - 2005. Volunteer also needed to contact 1980-2005 alumni registered with Classmates.com. Please contact David Crouse (Alumni Coordinator) at david.crouse@utoronto.ca.

Subject: 25 SIGNS YOU HAVE GROWN UP...

1. Your house plants are alive, and you can't smoke any of them.
2. Having sex in a twin bed is out of the question.
3. You keep more food than beer in the fridge.
4. 6:00 a.m. is when you get up, not when you go to bed.
5. You hear your favorite song in an elevator
6. You watch the Weather Channel.
7. Your friends marry and divorce instead of "hook up" and "break up."
8. You go from 130 days of vacation time to 14.
9. Jeans and a sweater no longer qualify as "dressed up."
10. You're the one calling the police because those f#*^ing kids next door won't turn down the stereo.
11. Older relatives feel comfortable telling sex jokes around you.
12. You don't know what time Taco Bell closes anymore.
13. Your car insurance goes down and your car payments go up.
14. You feed your dog Science Diet instead of McDonald's
15. Sleeping on the couch makes your back hurt
16. You take naps.
17. Dinner and a movie is the whole date instead of the beginning of one.
18. Eating a basket of chicken wings at 3 AM would severely upset, rather than settle, your stomach.
19. You go to the drug store for ibuprofen and antacid, not condoms and pregnancy tests.
20. A \$4.00 bottle of wine is no longer "pretty good shit."
21. You actually eat breakfast food at breakfast time.
22. "I just can't drink the way I used to" replaces "I'm never going to drink that much again."
23. 90% of the time you spend in front of a computer is for real work.
24. You drink at home to save money before going to a bar.
25. When you find out your friend is pregnant you congratulate them instead of asking "Oh shit what the hell happened?"
26. You read this entire list looking desperately for one sign that doesn't apply to you and can't find one to save your sorry old ass.

the Credit River Valley area. One of the First Nations groups the traders found around the Credit River area was called the Mississaugas, a tribe originally from Lake Huron. By 1700 the Mississaugas had driven away the Iroquois.

In 1805, government officials from York, as Toronto was then called, bought 340 km² (84,000 acres) of the Mississauga Tract and in 1806 the area was opened for settlement. The various communities settled include: Clarkson, Cooksville, Dixie, Erindale (called Springfield until 1890), Port Credit, Sheridan, and Summerville. This region would become known as the Toronto Township.

Toronto Township was formed on August 2, 1805 when officials from York (what is now Toronto) purchased 84,000 acres (340 km²) of land from the Mississaugas for 1,000 pounds. After the land was surveyed, much of it was given by the Crown in the form of land grants to United Empire Loyalists who emigrated from the US. More than a dozen small communities grew in this area, most of which were located near natural resources, waterways for industry and fishing, and routes leading into York. In 1873, in light of the continued growth seen in this area, the Toronto Township Council was formed to oversee the affairs of the various villages that were unincorporated at that time. The Council's responsibilities included road maintenance, the establishment of a police force, and mail delivery service.

In 1820, a second purchase was made and additional settlements established including: Barberville, Britannia, Burnhamthorpe, Derry West, Elmbank, Malton, Meadowvale Village, Mount Charles, and Streetsville. This led to the eventual displacement of the Mississaugas and, in 1847, they were relocated to a reserve in the Grand River Valley near present-day Hagersville. Except for small villages, some grist

mills and brickworks served by rail lines, most of present-day Mississauga was agricultural land, including fruit growing orchards through much of the 19th and first half of the 20th century. Toronto residents would travel to the township to pick fruits and garden vegetables.

Cottages were constructed along Lake Ontario in the 1920's as weekend getaway houses for weary city dwellers.

Malton Airport opened in 1937, which would become Canada's busiest, Toronto Pearson International Airport.

The Queen Elizabeth Way highway, one of the first controlled access highways in the world opened to Hamilton and later Niagara in 1939. The first prototypical suburban developments occurred around the same time, in the area of the Dixie Road and the QEW. Development in general moved north and west from there over time and around established towns. Large scale developments such as in Meadowvale and Erin Mills sprung up in the 1960s and 70s.

With the exception of Port Credit and Streetsville, the township settlements were amalgamated by a somewhat unpopular provincial decree in 1968 to form the Town of Mississauga. The town name was chosen by plebiscite over "Sheridan". Political will, as well as a belief that a larger city would be a hegemony in Peel County, kept Port Credit and Streetsville as independent island towns encircled by the Town of Mississauga. In 1974, both were annexed by Mississauga when it reincorporated as a city. That year, the sprawling Square One shopping centre opened.

On November 10, 1979, a 106-car freight train derailed while carrying explosive and poisonous chemicals just north of the intersection of Mavis Road and Dundas in Mississauga. The resulting fire was al-

lowed to burn itself out, but a ruptured chlorine tank was the main cause for concern. With the possibility of a deadly cloud of chlorine gas spreading through suburban Mississauga, 218,000 people were evacuated. Within a few days Mississauga was practically a ghost town, later when the mess had been cleared and the danger neutralized residents were allowed to return to their homes. At the time, it was the largest peacetime evacuation in North American history. Due to the speed and efficiency in which it was conducted, many cities later studied and modeled their own emergency plans after Mississauga's. For many years afterwards, the name "Mississauga" was to Canadians associated with a major rail disaster.

North American telephone customers placing calls to Mississauga (and other post 1970 Ontario cities) may not recognize the charge details on their billings, as Bell Canada continues to use the former community names, rather than "Mississauga", to identify exchanges in the city: Clarkson, Cooksville, Malton, Port Credit, Streetsville. These former villages, some incorporated for a long time retain strong community identities.

LAW/GOVERNMENT

Mississauga has had only three mayors in its history. Dr. Martin Dobkin was the city's first mayor in 1974. He was then followed by Ron A. Searle. Searle was defeated by then-city councillor and former mayor of Streetsville, Hazel McCallion. McCallion is regarded as a force in provincial politics and often referred to as Hurricane Hazel, comparing her political force to the devastating 1954 storm that struck the Toronto area. McCallion has won or been acclaimed in every mayoral election since 1978, and in recent years has not even campaigned. She was most recently re-elected for her tenth term in Novem-

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Mississauga City Hall seen from the west side of the library square

November 2003. She will be running for re-election for this year's election. McCallion is the nation's longest serving mayor and was runner-up in World Mayor 2005.

Mississauga's City Council is comprised of the mayor and nine city councillors, each representing one of the city's nine (soon to be eleven) wards.

Mayors:

Martin L. Dobkin

1974 - 1976

Ron A. Searle

1976 - 1978

Hazel McCallion

1978 - Present

Federal/Provincial ridings:

Bramalea-Gore-Malton

Mississauga—Erindale

Mississauga—Brampton South

Mississauga East—Cooksville

Mississauga South

Mississauga—Streetsville

GEOGRAPHY

Mississauga covers 288.42 km² of land fronting a 13km shoreline on Lake Ontario.

Mississauga is bound by Oakville and Milton to the west, Brampton to the north, Toronto to the east, and Lake Ontario to the south. Halton Hills borders Mississauga's north-west corner. With the exception of

the southern half of the border with Toronto (Etobicoke Creek), Mississauga shares a land border with all previous mentioned municipalities.

Two major river valleys feed into the lake. The Credit River is by far the longest with the heaviest flow, it divides the western side of Mississauga from the central/eastern portions and enters the lake at the Port Credit harbour. The indented, mostly forested valley was inhabited by native peoples long before European exploration of the area. The valley is protected and maintained by the Credit Valley Conservation Authority (CVCA).

Etobicoke Creek forms part of the eastern border of Mississauga with the city of Toronto. North of there is passes through Pearson Airport, there have been two aviation accidents where aircraft slid into the creek banks. Heavy flooding resulted in some homes along the riverbank being swept into the lake after heavy rains from Hurricane Hazel. Since, houses are no longer constructed along the floodplain. This creek and its tributaries are administered by the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA).

Most land in Mississauga drains to either of the two main river systems, with the exception of the smaller Mary Fix Creek which runs roughly through the center of Mississauga entering the lake just east of Port Credit. Some small streams and reservoirs are part of the Sixteen Mile Creek system in the far north-west corner of the city.

The post-glacial Iroquois Shoreline roughly follows the Dundas Street alignment, although it is not noticeable in some places and in others the shoreline rises as a sharp hill affording a view of downtown Toronto and Lake Ontario. The land in Mississauga in general slopes gradually downward from almost 190m ASL in some northern spots to lake level (76m ASL), a 110m

110m difference over an averaged 15km distance.

ECONOMY

Mississauga is home to more than 18,000 companies ranging from corporate head offices and industrial branch operations to corner store retail businesses, and including 50 of Canada's Fortune 500. Approximately half or 9,000 of these businesses are in the manufacturing, product distribution or corporate sectors owing to its desirable location within Ontario.

With international competition, political and economic changes and rapidly advancing technology, companies require more adaptable and more highly skilled workers. Employers recognize the need to retrain the existing labour force and incorporate those who would like to work but have been limited so far due to low skill levels and other barriers.

Mississauga has provided an ideal environment for small businesses. Many developers have built small multiple units which provide efficient and affordable accommodations for small companies. The economic stability of Mississauga is enhanced by thousands of small and medium-sized businesses. A large percentage of these employers have fewer than 50 employees.

An employment survey conducted in 1994 indicated that the greatest number of firms and of employees were active in the manufacturing/warehouse sectors followed by retail and wholesale sectors. There will be a shift in the employment base away from traditional manufacturing and towards: light assembly, warehouse distribution, and general services. The strong industries in Mississauga are: pharmaceuticals, electronics, computer, chemical and transportation parts and equipment industries. Heavy industry includes the Petro-Canada

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refinery and St. Lawrence Cement. Mississauga demographics indicate that the labour market is experiencing some fairly dramatic changes. It is predicted that in the next ten years, 70% of the new Canadian work force will consist of women, racial minorities, and people with disabilities. It is also evident that the Mississauga labour force is aging as fewer young people are available to take entry level jobs and many present employees are struggling to adapt to the changing economic climate.

DEMOGRAPHICS

In 2006, Mississauga had a population of 695,000, up over 150,000 from a decade earlier. With just over 40% of the city's population having a language other than English as their mother tongue, the city is relatively diverse, perhaps owing to its proximity to Toronto. More than 30% of Mississauga's population speaks more than one language.

Because the city is so close to Toronto, it contains many people of different cultures. Many of them live in the comfortable housing areas in the city outside the hustle and bustle of Toronto. Some 40 percent of the population claims to be a visible minority.

- Religious make-up:
- Catholic: 42.1%
- Protestant: 21.8%
- Eastern Orthodox: 3.1%
- Other Christian: 2.9%
- Muslim: 6.9%
- Hindu: 4.8%
- Sikh: 3.8%
- Buddhist: 1.9%
- Other: 12.0%

First Language:
(from Statistics Canada 1996 Census Data)

- 59% English
- 4.4% Polish
- 4.2% Chinese
- 3.6% Italian
- 3.6% Punjabi

- 1.9% Tagalog (Filipino)
- 1.7% Spanish
- 1.4% Arabic
- 1.3% Croatian
- 1.3% French
- 1% Urdu
- 10.6% Other
- 36.9% Multiple language responses

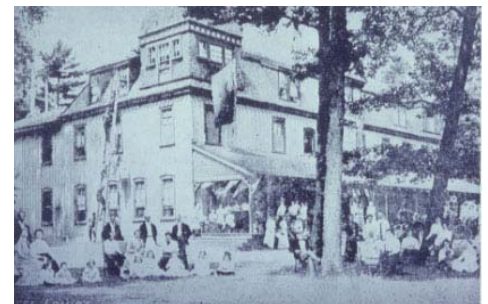
NOTABLE PEOPLE FROM OR RESIDING IN MISSISSAUGA

- Natalie Appleton, musician, member of All Saints
- Al Balding, recently deceased golfer
- Billy Talent, rock band
- Johnny Bower, former goalie for the Toronto Maple Leafs, Hockey Hall of Fame member
- Brad Boyes, NHL hockey player
- Mike Bullard, comedian
- Deanna Casalupe, television actress (Degrassi: The Next Generation)
- Don Cherry, former NHL coach, commentator on CBC's Hockey Night In Canada
- Paul Coffey, NHL hockey player
- Rik Emmett, musician, founding member of Triumph
- Ron Fellows, race car driver
- J.D. Fortune, current lead singer of INXS
- Rick Green, comedian and writer (The Red Green Show, History Bites)
- Joel Gibb, singer-songwriter (The Hidden Cameras)
- Paul Henderson, NHL hockey player and scorer of the series-winning goal in the 1972 Hockey Summit Series
- Allison Higson, Olympic swimmer
- Jane Kerr, Olympic swimmer
- Silken Laumann, former rower of the 1992 and 1996 Olympic Games
- Manny Malhotra, NHL hockey player
- Suzie McNeil, contestant on Rock Star: INXS
- The Meligrove Band, rock band

- Kevin Newman, anchor of Global National
- Ryan O'Marra, world junior hockey player
- Carolyn Parrish, former MP, Mississauga—Erindale
- Oscar Peterson, world-famous jazz pianist and composer
- Tomasz Radzinski, soccer player for Fulham F.C. and Canada
- John Roberts, television journalist
- Grand Duchess Olga Alexandrovna of Russia, the Last Grand Duchess of Imperial Russia
- Adamo Ruggiero, television actor (Degrassi: The Next Generation)
- Robert J. Sawyer, science fiction writer
- Jason Spezza, NHL hockey player
- Matt Stajan, NHL hockey player
- Daria Werbowy, international supermodel
- Wojtek Wolski, OHL hockey player
- Anthony Cosmo, NLL Lacrosse player

Taken from
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mississauga,_Ontario

(submitted in part by
Fred Hilditch ('63))



Hotel Louise
Lorne Park Estates

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

www.marylennstevenson.com



Lynn is taking a well deserved break. We look forward to her column in the Jan. '07 issue of *LPSS Matters*.

Letters

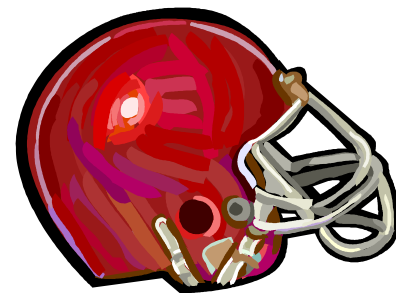
9/23/06 1:30pm approx.

So while driving in the vicinity of LPSS early this afternoon I noticed a lot of activity at LPSS. I investigated and there was a SATURDAY AFTERNOON football game !

WOW ! (against Clarkson—we won !). This was always a good rivalry.

I was wondering why the LPSS football schedule is NOT anywhere on LPSS Matters website? How does one find out the schedule ? I for sure would have attended. The game had just finished when I arrived.

I think it would be a good idea to post the complete schedule (right after Labour Day) so alumni like me(Class of 1979) and others could attend .I personally would attend as many games as I could,(even road games !)



By the way... admission was \$2.00 (cheaper than the Leafs !). I met the gym teacher , Mr. Musselman (who believe it or not, went to LPSS (class of 1977) ! and he said next week , Friday September 29, 2006 there will be *(for the first time ever I believe) a night game with both the Juniors (at 7pm)and then the Seniors (at 9pm).There will be special lighting brought in .I will attend for sure and wear proper LPSS colours.There was full concessions with BBQ food.Mr. Musselman may have even been the Chef Extrodinaire!

I think this should even be televised . We are playing MT. CARMEL (never heard of them).

Could someone post the information about this game on the message board to tell others? I have great difficulty posting for some reason.
GO SPARTANS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Richard Lukas ('79)
(I also returned from Sept 1981-June 1982)

(Ed. Note—see the two articles on page 9)

So....reading Doug Edward's "stuff" was reminiscent of his whispered announcements toward the end of each Latin period with Mrs. Turner: "This is the last minute of play in the game." I also recall how Frank Weber, Richard Pollard, Kelvin Ford and myself consistently teased Sandra Lindsay and Karen Turner. They were better than having sisters to tease. Those WERE "Happy Days" and I see that you re-live them often. That is what LPSS Matters is all about. Congratulations to you all

Cheers for now,
Frank Krause ('64)

(Ed. Note—Frank, please contact us with your email address.)

"It isn't premarital sex if you have no intention of getting married"

George Burns

We Remember...

Debbie Brown (MacDonald) ('72) passed away in October '06 as a result of a boating accident. See pg. 9.

Editor

I have the following information for the We Remember section of the site:

Bill Fraser (grad year 1978) passed away suddenly this past month (July).

Liz McElheran ('80)

I just heard that Bill Fraser passed away 2 days ago (1978)

Chris Rowles ('78)

I learned this past week that Bill Fraser, graduate 1978, passed away from a heart attack on Wed. July 19, age 46. His obituary was in the Sat. Globe and Mail – we all knew him as "Billy".

Sandra Bishop ('78)

Hello LPSS editor:

I saw this obituary for Ulf Leyner in a recent Saturday Globe & Mail. Although Ulf was not in my grade, I was a friend of his sister Monika. We called him Ooey, but I've learned that he went by his second name, Cameron at the time of his death. I am unaware of the details of his death, and because I lost contact with both Monika and Ooey after high school, I'm not sure how his life went. Could you please add his name to the "We Remember" list? Please let me know if you are unable to read the pdf file attached. Thanks,

LEYNER, Ulf Cameron Nov. 19/52—Sept. 6/06 We are devastated to announce the sudden passing of our son, brother & uncle, who was a sports enthusiast and friend to many on

Sept. 6, 2006 in Whistler, B.C. Beloved son of Gun Leyner, Mississauga, ON and brother of Monika Preston, Palm Beach, FL & Barbara Gaic, Aurora, ON.

Sally Jackman (Kimpson) ('69)

Susan Tyssen

I just wanted you to know for the next newsletter that Susan Tyssen, a former French teacher at LP and dear friend of mine, passed away last Friday October 6, 2006. FYI, her obituary can be found at thetorontostar.com under tyssen-nelson and some people have signed the guestbook including me.

Sue died of a massive stroke at age 42 despite being in great shape; she leaves an awesome, adoring husband and two beautiful little boys who are being very brave.

Sue started teaching at LP shortly after I did. She arrived for second semester in January of 1989 and I was thrilled to have a new friend my age - she was 24. I adored her immediately; it was impossible not to. Sue was vibrant, fun, adventurous and had the most beautiful laugh. She was a dedicated teacher, mother, wife and friend. As teachers, we grew up at Lorne Park together with about 70 other young women who soon came on board; we have continued our cherished friendships over the years and milestones despite going some different directions professionally. In fact, we women got together Friday the 13th of October for dinner (a dinner date that Sue had planned, actually, a few weeks ago) and celebrated her life; in the same room, celebrating, were several LP grads, one of which was getting married the next day. It was quite an evening.

I know that Sue's LP students loved her and would want to know about this tragedy. (She had been teaching up at Glenforest for the past 6 years or so and was on a leave this semester to be with her littlest guy.)

Thanks for getting this out to the LP family.

Val Strickler (LPSS teacher)

I have the following information for the We Remember section of the site:

Former LP French teacher, Sue Tyssen, died suddenly of a massive stroke some time last week (Oct. 8-14, 2006). She had been teaching at Glenforest for the last few years and is survived by her husband and two young children.

Liz Steel



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We Remember... (cont.)

Debbie Brown (MacDonald) ('72) 1953—2006 (Tecumseh P.S., Lorne Park S.S., McMaster U.)

Boating accident kills Mississauga principal

Called 'respected, strong mentor' to pupils, staff, colleagues—Boat swept through gate in dam on Loon Lake

Oct. 24, 2006. 01:00 AM

JIM WILKES—Toronto Star STAFF REPORTER

The popular principal of a Mississauga elementary school has died after a weekend boating accident in cottage country.

Ontario Provincial Police said Deborah MacDonald was paddling a 12-foot motorboat across Loon Lake, near Kearney, to meet her husband at a public boat launch to put the boat in storage for the winter.

But the 53-year-old woman was apparently swept down a spillway in a concrete dam on the lake and struck her head on the dam's edge.

"The motor wasn't working, so she was paddling it," an OPP officer said yesterday.

"Her injuries were grave," he said. "It was a tragic mishap."

Staff and students at Mississauga's Thomas Street Middle School, where MacDonald was principal, were mourning her death yesterday.

In a letter to parents, Jim Grieve, Peel's director of education, called MacDonald "an incredibly caring educator who was very involved with the students at the school and a recognized leader in education with 30 years of experience in the Peel board."

"She will be greatly missed."

Flags at Peel schools were at half-mast in her honour. Crisis counsellors were also at Thomas Street Middle School to help staff and students cope with MacDonald's death.

MacDonald had also been principal at Greenbriar Senior Public School in Brampton.

"She was a totally committed and dedicated professional," said Judith Nyman, Peel's associate education director.

"At the heart of anything she's ever done ... the best interests of students were always at the forefront."

"She has been a strong mentor, not only for students and staff, but also with colleagues, a highly respected person that people could turn to for assistance, advice and counsel," Nyman said.

Ken MacDonald said he found his wife slumped in the boat when he drove around the lake to meet her on Saturday.

Police told him she likely suffered severe head injuries when she went through an adjustable sluice gate in the dam, he said.

He said he ran up a hill to get neighbours to call police and paramedics, then returned to the scene to give his wife aid until they arrived.

"I certainly tried," he said.

"I did everything I possibly could."

MacDonald was taken to the Huntsville and District Memorial Hospital and then airlifted to Sunnybrook hospital in Toronto, where she died Sunday.

"She has a wonderful legacy, from her beautiful children to a vast array of people from all walks of life," Ken said. "She enjoyed life to the fullest and was skilled at bringing people together."

Married for 26 years to Ken, Deborah MacDonald also leaves daughter Becky, who is following her footsteps at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE) in Toronto, son Robert at Brock University and daughter Katie at Niagara College.

A service to celebrate her life will be held at the Turner and Porter Funeral Home, 2180 Hurontario St. in Mississauga at 11 a.m. on Thursday, October 26, (reception immediately following at The Port Credit Yacht Club). (Visitation Wednesday, Oct. 25 2:00-5:00 and 7:00-9:00)



Q. I hear so many horror stories about long waits in Emergency rooms. Is there any point in even taking my elderly parents there? How can I be sure they are seen quickly?

A. It's important to understand how Emergency departments are run, the alternatives, and some tips for preventing a health crisis. Here are some guidelines:

Visiting Emergency:

Medical professionals advise a visit to Emergency when any *acute* change occurs; in the case of the elderly, this might include trouble breathing, decline in cognition, a bad fall or perhaps excessive bleeding when taking blood-thinning medication such as aspirin.

Rather than driving your parent yourself, you may wish to call 911. The Emergency Medical Services will arrive quickly, assess and stabilize your parent, and advise whether an Emergency visit is required.

Making the Most of Your Visits

Emergency room staff strongly advise that patients bring an advocate, ideally a close friend or family member. That person should have a list of the patient's current medications and dosage, provide information as requested by the staff as to how their behaviour or condition compares to their normal state, and generally act as an advocate for the patient, who is usually confused, in pain and fearful. The advocate should also make notes about findings and recommendations.

When all patients enter Emergency, they are seen by a triage nurse who determines the urgency of their condition using a 5-level assessment tool known as the *Canadian Emergency Department Triage and Acuity Scale*. For example, Level 1 patients, in critical, unstable condition, such as cardiac arrest, must be seen immediately. Patients are therefore seen based on the acuity of their condition, not arrival time, nor the fact that they arrived by ambulance.

Geriatric Emergency Nurses:

A new innovation in many Emergency departments is the Geriatric Emergency Management, or *GEM, nurse*. This is a practitioner who will make a full geriatric assessment, including physical condition, cognitive level and home support. GEM nurses can diagnose, order tests and prescribe, working in consultation with the physician and emergency team. Their goal is to treat seniors, and to discharge them with a care plan that will ensure better long-term health, that will prevent future Emergency visits.

Alternatives for Emergency Care

Urgent Care Centres are clinics designed for low-acuity emergency patients, usually with a referral relationship to major hospitals. In the Greater Toronto area, Urgent Care Centres are located at North York Branson Hospital and Sunnybrook Women's Hospital, as well as Etobicoke Urgent Care Centre (416 74102273) and Metro Urgent Care Centre (416 222-6007).

Telehealth Ontario (1-866-797-0000) allows 24/7 telephone access to a registered nurse, who can help assess the seriousness of symptoms and suggest your options. *MedicAlert* bracelets, which contain medical history and contact information, and personal emergency response systems such as *Lifeline*, *LifeCall* or *Trust Care*, allow 2-way communication to help guide your parents in assessing their problem and receiving help.

Being Prepared

Be sure emergency information is collected, updated and accessible, including medications, pharmacy name, family doctor's name, medical history, valid health card (photo-ID health cards have expiry dates) and updated contact names and phone numbers. Attend medical appointments with your parents, meet their doctors and learn about their medical conditions.

Football Lights up Friday nights

Evening games convenient for parents and alumni (2 articles from the Mississauga News)

Mississauga - The culture of high school sports in Mississauga may change in the near future and it's simply due to the introduction of some lighting on school property.

Friday night football at high schools is routine across the United States. In Mississauga, it's a novelty, but one that has the makings for gaining in popularity among students, players, parents and alumni.

"I think this is fabulous," said John Goldspink, standing in the parking lot at Lorne Park Secondary School an hour before the start of last Friday's doubleheader between the Spartans and the visiting Mount Carmel Crusaders.

"This is more fun than pro sports, to be honest," continued Goldspink, whose son quarterbackes the junior Spartans. "Just look at those kids going through their drills. It's loud, it's rhythmic and it gives everyone a rush."

There was a buzz around Lorne Park Secondary all week leading up to Friday's twinbill, which attracted an estimated 2,500 people. Not a single seat was available in the stands lining the north side of the football field. Spectators also lined the fence that separates the school from the field and by the time the first game started, there wasn't a spot available in the school's parking lots.

Students, parents and alumni from both Lorne Park and Mount Carmel came out. There were scouts and coaches, too. Lorne Park charged \$5 admission and there was also a barbecue. The atmosphere was vibrant.

"It really is exciting," said Mount Carmel principal Cathy Kwiatkoski. "This allows more parents who wouldn't normally be here to attend the games and watch their kids play. And Lorne Park has such a long football tradition."

High school activities are primarily run during the day, when most parents are at work. Football enjoys a lustre of its own and giving parents and alumni an opportunity to see a game at a convenient time was what motivated local developer Frank Giannone to provide 10 generator-powered light standards to illuminate the field.

"This creates a lot of opportunities for parents to see their kids play," said Giannone, whose son, Robert, is a slot-back with the junior Spartans. "We're hoping the neighbourhood is accepting of it." Residents in areas surrounding the school were notified earlier in the week of the game.

Friday night football in Mississauga was definitely acceptable to Bill and Sheila Buslepp, whose son, Evan, is a cor-

nerback with the junior Crusaders.

"This is what school spirit is all about," said Bill Buslepp, who's familiar with Friday night football since he's originally from the Detroit area. "I've lived here for 16 years and I've missed high school football on Friday nights."

"Look at all the kids from Lorne Park and Mount Carmel who are here. They're not hanging around a mall or a coffee shop."

This wasn't the first night-time high school game in Mississauga. St. Marcellinus has a fully-lit field with synthetic turf. There was a game there two weeks ago and school principal John McAllister said the feeling was incredible.

"It was pouring rain, but it was still a great atmosphere," said McAllister. "The place was packed, we had a rock band, the school band stood in the rain. The kids were selling hot dogs. It was a happening. If that game had been held during the day, you might have had a handful of parents."

"We're fortunate that we've got a first-class facility here," he continued. "And I think high school football in Peel is stronger than in any other part of the province."

Mississauga—The Lorne Park Spartans junior squad huddles under the dark of night during action against Our Lady of Mount Carmel last night. The night game was made possible after local developer Frank Giannone transported 10 portable light standards to Lorne Park's unlit field.

Giannone, a local developer, has had three sons play for the Spartans, including Robert, who suits up for the junior team. "We decided to give it a try one time this year and see how the community reacts," said Giannone, adding it cost about \$2,700 to rent the lights.

The decision for a night game was made last season when the Spartans played St. Marcellinus at Mississauga Valleys. "It was such a great experience last year," said Giannone. "It was so well-attended and it was such a good-natured environment for both schools, we decided to try and do it here."

Lorne Park junior coach Scott Price said the doubleheader is "Great for community involvement."

"Parents can't always be there (in the afternoon) to see their kids play," he said.

Spartan Stuff

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



Dixie Plaza celebrates 50 years - A modest strip plaza with only a handful of shops in 1956, the Dixie Outlet Mall has undergone two major renovations and today is a 600,000-sq.-ft. shopping paradise that attracts customers from across North America. Yesterday (Sept. 22), the mall celebrated its 50th anniversary by re-creating a 'Dixie diner' from the '50s, replete with huge cut-outs of vinyl records, antiques and other memorabilia from that era. The mall's status as the oldest in the city is clouded in ambiguity. "The site for the mall was actually approved in late 1954 and the financing was put together in 1955...concurrently, I believe there was another centre," said Kathleen Matchett, Dixie Outlet Mall general manager. "But this mall had a real impact on the community, because the tenants at that time had a bank, department centre and basically everything everybody in the community needed"



LPSSer's get together at Snug Harbour (Restaurant at the mouth of the Port Credit River). Mike Thorne ('60), Dave Holbrooke ('61), Mary Lou May ('60), Debbie - Dave's friend from California, Dale Perigoe ('60), Susan Adams - Dale's cousin also a grad of LPSS and lives in Port Credit.

Bob Labonte ('65) - My wife Yvonne and I moved to San Diego (Oceanside CA) area in 1985. My mother is 88 years old and still lives in Clarkson. We get back there almost yearly for visits but like the climate down here. I tried to retire a few years ago but hated it and now back to work. I have a Manufacturing Rep firm dealing with major Automobile manufacturers.

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Spartan Stuff

1957—1964 (cont.)

Frank Krause ('64) - So....reading Doug Edward's "stuff" was reminiscent of his whispered announcements toward the end of each Latin period with Mrs. Turner: "This is the last minute of play in the game." I also recall how Frank Weber, Richard Pollard, Kelvin Ford and myself consistently teased Sandra Lindsay and Karen Turner. They were better than having sisters to tease. Those WERE "Happy Days" and I see that you re-live them often. That is what LPSS Matters is all about. Congratulations to you all. Cheers for now.

Gary Box ('65) - On page five (July issue).... I believe the photo of the gentleman in the top right (guy with the cowboy hat) is none other than Bob McCrudden(?). I met him at Sheridan College and I think he's been working there ever since. Thanks for the news. The story about Dixie Arena was intriguing. It is where I played my first organized hockey in Atom and Pee wee for Clarkson (Petch Cleaners) in the TTHL (Toronto Territory Hockey League) . We too had to practice in Brampton. It seems to me that HWY 10 was a gravel road north of Cooksville right to Brampton. Can you imagine being a father in those days getting up at 4:00 am on a Sunday morning in Clarkson and driving up to Brampton so your son could be on the ice by 6:00am. Great Newsletter!

Jim Cooper ('65) - I know the guy in the captain hat (July issue) is Tom Fitzimmons and beside him is your brother John. Below them the guy in the white undershirt is me and I think that's me again putting something on D Gregory's head - looking like a mean 160 lbs - those were the days before OV took hold.

Ken Brands ('63) - Since our last email to and fro I've retired so I thought I'd give you some "me" information to update. Although I have retired as an employee in the Fire Service, as any Firefighter knows, you can leave the Fire Service, but it never leaves you. Two of my passions were Training and Fire Investigation (Cause and Origin). Because of my desire to stay in the business and with prodding from many colleagues around the province I formed my own company All Fire Investigations Inc. It has worked out well and I am relatively busy conducting fire cause and origins for insurance companies, companies, and the Alberta Fire Commissioner's office. When I last communicated with you we lived in Hinton, Alberta. Since retiring we have moved into Blairmore, Alberta - The Crowsnest Pass. Out our living room window looms the west sides of Turtle (Frank Slide) and Bluff Mountains; to the west rise Crowsnest and Seven Sisters mountains; Lyon Creek bubbles past the east side of the house. If anyone is coming out this way for holiday or business have them give us a shout. We love to have people call and drop in for a coffee, say hi on the way through or camp in the area. Hell we'll even go for a 4 X 4 sightseeing tour into the mountains to look at the flora and fauna or views that the tourist never sees. The welcome mat is always out year 'round' at the Brands' house.

Marna Dent ('66) climbs Mt. Kilimanjaro – Sister of Doug & Jerry - Thought I'd let you know that I got back from Africa on Thurs. Aug. 10 and I MADE IT to the Summit! Nearly killed me but I did it! It was a monumental task of endurance - much more than I bargained for. Truly I pushed myself a zillion times farther than I thought I could go. Great group of people & a very positive experience, but I honestly felt I had been to hell & back the last day push for the summit. About 60% of our group made it to the top, but 2 stopped at Stella Point (about 315 feet lower than summit). Once you get to Stella Point, you have to trek along the top mit - it took me about an hour - One is so or 3 of our team just felt they didn't want go ground - my thermarest was fabulous and I every night. We were awakened every breakfast at 7am, and on the trail at 8AM. first day - we were slogging through the than we expected. It was overcast almost Kilimanjaro except above 17,000'. I am go of me at Summit, and it will hang on the climb it again !!!!! The safari was fabulous that I plan to go back within the next year or Mafia Island - the later is still untouched by very rare fish species in the waters. Thus I short list of 'things to do' and 'places to go'. lunch ?



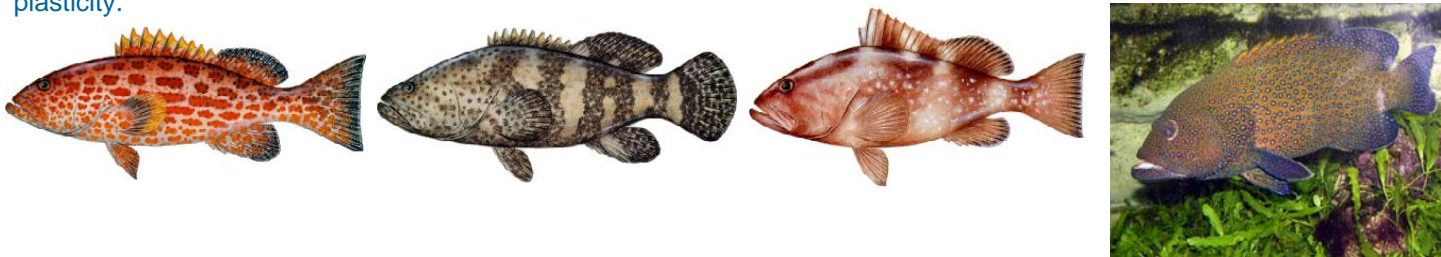
volcanic ridge & make the final climb to Sum-exhausted by that point & air is so thin that 2 further. I had no problems sleeping on the could hardly wait to get into my sleeping bag morning by the porters with tea at 6:30 AM, The days were never ending! Poured rain the mud through the Rain Forest, and it was cooler every day, so I never actually got to see Mt. ing to have my certificate framed with a picture wall for all to see. I have no desire to ever and I absolutely loved Tanzania. So much so two for vacation. I want to go to Zanzibar and commercialism and apparently there are some want to take diving lessons. This is now on my That list is getting pretty long! When's our next (cont.)

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1957—1964 (cont.)

Bruce Conron ('63) - Thanks for your excellent work bringing the various LPSS stories from '57 to '64 into the June letter. The one that intrigued me the most was Allan Van Wagner's account of his idyllic resort in north-eastern Georgian Bay, which is located along the route to the North Channel via Killarney that my bother Murray (LPSS '64) and I have sailed for many years. It is truly magnificent scenery, a myriad of islands in pristine waters reflecting the dark green of wild-savaged white pine. Almost among the fair weather cumulus clouds are the soaring white quartz fringes of the La Cloche range, inspiration to the Group of Seven's A.Y. Jackson in the 1920s and for legions of artists since. Lucky Allan. It's my idea of God's country.

Share this with your Grand Children - Fred's Grouper Answers – They gave the fish chemotherapy for a Cancer tumour and secondly that some fish change sex. Here is more on the sex change thing: Of the vertebrates in the animal kingdom, sex determination is usually a fixed characteristic in terms of life history. Interestingly, there are a few organisms for whom sex is a plastic condition, often determined by a combination of internal and external signals. One such group of organisms which follows this trend are the tropical teleosts: the conspicuous colorful fish inhabiting coral reefs. The majority of reef fish change sex at some point throughout their life. In fact, reef fish that remain as the same sex for their life span (gonochoristic) are in the minority. There are many different patterns for sex-change. Some species will begin life as males and switch to females (protandry), and others switch from female to male (protogyny). Further still, some will change sex in both directions, and others will be both sexes at the same time. Sex-change therefore becomes quite fascinating from several different perspectives. From the behavioral standpoint, how does a fully functional female behaviorally become a male in a matter of hours, followed by a physiological and anatomical change to functionally become the opposite sex. The endocrine system is most likely responsible for this changing ability, but the hormones have yet to be identified. Also yet to be identified are the chromosomes and genetic sequences responsible for allowing this sexual plasticity.



Mary Lou May ('60) – back Stage photos of the 'Gotta Sing Gotta Dance 06'



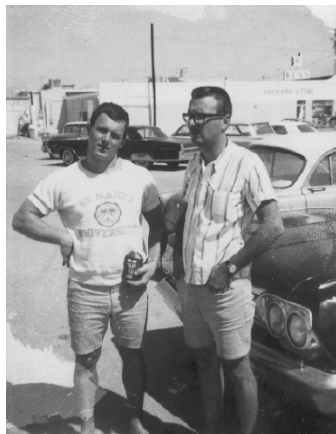
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1957—1964 (cont.)



Garry Jasper ('64) - Great news letter brings back many memories. You are doing a great job as usual hunting down all those old timers. Alan Van Wagner (now that one brought back a memory) dropped in to Gibson Lake that is a good one. The story I remember is coming back from the tavern one night car stopped on the Gibson road and there is this rattle snake on the road no problem for Alan grabs the hammer beats it till its dead. The other one I really got a laugh from was Biff's story on Brother John's slap shot and how he was feeling sorry for the goalie. As I recall I know just what he means as I very clearly remember our Saturday night game where I was playing goalie with no mask and how every one got out of the way as John wound up for his slap shot. It is very surprising how fast you can move when you see the puck heading towards your face. Drop to your knees and up with the glove all in one motion not a matter of stopping the shot, because that became secondary to getting out of the way of the flying puck. Was not all that interested in playing goalie after that night. Keep up the good work surely looking forward to adding my name to the luncheon list, once we get some extended time back in Canada. Not sure on all the pictures that Dick sent but know the ones in the middle for sure Dave Harrison, Ed Baggelly, Scotty that one took a while and of course brother John. Drawing a blank on the top 2 and the gentlemen with the dark glasses. I might add I would never have recognized Mike Thorne if I saw him on the street.

Some more Pics from **Dick Gregory ('62)**. Who are they?



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1957—1964 (cont.)



Monica (Knowles) Bradley ('63) - Hi Fred, enjoying the newsletters all the way downunder. Am planning to attend the great celebration in October 2007 and am busy trying to investigate house swapping for the month of October. Know any one in the area who isn't going to the weekend of fun who would like to house swap to the best place in the world?The Sunshine Coast of Queensland, AUSTRALIA . Only an hour away from the capital, Brisbane, centrally located for just about everything, ie whale watching, Barrier Reef isn't that far away, best beaches/surf, aboriginal places to explore not to mention Steve Irwin's Zoo is only 20 minutes away, numerous resort golf courses close by as well as the finest alfresco restaurants. Would love to hear from anyone who may be interested, otherwise we will see you there on the day. mkowles3@bigpond.com.au

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1957—1964 (cont.)

John Smith (deNottbeck) ('64) . I'm sure most of you reading this won't remember John Smith (the boy with the extraordinary name - as quoted in the year book...I think 1960). My band was 'Johnny & The Concords' and eventually joined 'The Last Words' as the second drummer in their final year before Brad Campbell left to join Janice Joplin's band. I've been using my father's name since leaving Lorne Park - 'deNottbeck'. So "Hi" to all! As for the pictures in the recent issue, the first pic with the puffy blonde hair is Sue Hughes. She was my girlfriend's (Donna Dickson) best friend. I had lunch with them last year and laughed ourselves silly recalling old times. Sue is living in Ohio and Donna is in Water-down. Both are doing great! 3rd. row down, second from the left is Mike Rule. He graduated in the 50's I think and his sister Denise maybe in '61'. I've read most news letters and love the 'flashbacks'. It's great to hear about so many people like one of my best buddies at the time, Allan Van Wagner. Here's a flashback! - Allan used to deliver my mom's Avon orders in her purple '65' Chevy (he didn't have a license!). As for Biff Hawke, lots of fun memories and a party at Wayne's house that I'll never forget! . "Hi Biff!" So many names I remember like yesterday, like Karen Kerr, Joan Horne, Joan Carson, Susan Meredith "Go for it Susan!" and, of course Bev Oda who is definitely in politics. I'm also still in touch with George Herring, who owns an exceptional framing gallery 'The Boyd Gallery' in Toronto. If you need something framed, you've got to see George! As for Bert Oldershaw, I thought people might like some background on Bert and family. My family grew up with the Oldershaw's on Toronto Island before being expropriated by the City of Toronto in 1959. The mass exodus found many of us in Lorne Park and the surrounding area. My mom Roxann (now 80) went to Toronto Island Public School with Bert. My family send their best to Dean and family. I'm anxiously awaiting the 50th Anniversary! Farmer recalls 'electric circus' of 1912 - A Mississauga heritage buff has tracked down details of the first local display of hydro electricity to farmers. It took place on his farm more than 94 years ago and was conducted by Sir Adam Beck. Ben Madill, 91, who still lives and works on the farm at the northwest corner of Hurontario St. and Hwy. 401, has for years heard rumours of Beck's demonstration. Adam Beck was an MPP from 1902-1919 and was knighted for his long-standing promotion of the development of a provincial hydro system. In 1906 he became the first chair of the Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario and brought his so-called travelling "electric circus" to what is now Mississauga on Aug. 28, 1912. It was only recently that Madill, who attended Britannia Schoolhouse as a boy and helped save it many years later as an adult, confirmed the information through research. A cable was strung about 400 feet from Centre Rd. (now Hurontario St.), where power was available in a line that had been installed from Port Credit to Brampton in 1905. An account Madill found in The Streetsville Review describes how Beck, other Cabinet ministers, Reeve Lush of the Township of Toronto and several councillors were on hand to see how power could be used on the farm of then-property owner J.W. Migh. "The Minister of Power was greatly pleased with the entire affair. A three-ton motor truck conveyed the milking machine, choppers, cream separators and other machinery that was in operation yesterday," the Review reported of the demonstration. A photograph retrieved from the archives shows a large crowd of farmers in front of a barn on Madill's land, which he bought from the previous owner for \$12,000 in 1946. The barn burned down six years later. Madill replaced it on the same foundation, where it stands today. "People thought hydro was a joke," recalled the farmer, who still plants wheat annually. "Who wants it?", they said. "Who wants a perpetual bill each month?" Despite Beck's light show, hydro did not arrive quickly on Peel farms. "None of the farms had electricity before 1927," said Madill. "It was slow coming after the war." He pointed to the photograph that shows a windmill on the roof of the barn, likely to supply power for crushing grain or for hand-cranked milking machines. The provincial government, which had bought all of the independent power operations such as those at Streetsville and Erin-dale, had a policy of "three to a mile," for introducing electricity. They required three customers per mile before hydro would run lines onto the farms. Power came to Madill's father's farm in 1937 after the family made a special appeal. Madill remembers friends and family gawking at the ceiling when the electric lights glowed for the first time. "When they put lights in the school, they put a locked box around the switch because they didn't want the kids switching the lights on and off all the time," he said. "Not long after, the trustees had a meeting and no one had the key to put the lights on. The locks were removed after that."



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1957—1964 (cont.)

Biff Hawk ('65) – Poem for his daughter:

Brenda Please be Careful

There's a girl I love who's in harm's way.
That girl is Gunner Brenda.
She's a pretty thing as some might say,
And good to be a friend'a

She broke the mold at an early age.
Now she strives to do her best.
I was proud then but more at this stage,
As she wears protective vest.

She has helped to enforce freedom earned,
In those war-torn lands afar.*
She will employ many lessons learned,
As she serves in Kandahar.

I've watched her grow from a little girl,
To a soldier strong and true.
She now stands proud as colours unfurl,
In a land where terror grew.

The Taliban are a deadly foe,
As they brawl in Allah's name.
While cause is wrong and their forces grow,
Allah negates their foul game.

We dispatch our young to fight our wars.
The mission is still undone.
We'd welcome them back on friendly shores.
Of course they won't cut and run.

Look, a dog's corpse on the road ahead.
It could be a booby trap!
They'll try anything; they want her dead,
But that's not in her road map.

She's at the front of the War on Terror.
Oh Brenda please be careful.
Stick to the book, no trial and error.
Your Daddy's ever prayerful.

(* Kosovo and Bosnia)

Thanks to: Mary Lou x2, Bruce, Sandra x2, Dick, Monica, John, Garry, Gary, Bob, Jim Biff, & Marna

Spartan Stuff

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

All '65-'69 alumni are encouraged to send material for inclusion in *LPSS Matters*. Anything of relevance is greatly appreciated



Bruce McLeod ('68) - AUGUST EXTRAVAGANZA! About 25 keen and energized friends from Lorne Park, Queen's, and summer resort days got together for an end-of-season storm at our family cottage on Lake of Bays. The Lorne Park contingent included: Karen (now Kate) Brown ('70) – Toronto/Huntsville; Karen Fessey (Cassian) ('70) – Mississauga/Huntsville; Paul Gordon ('68) – Louisville, Ky./Hilton Head, SC; Ian Graham ('69) – Toronto/Dorset; Bob Hodgkinson ('68) – Vancouver; Barb McLeod ('70) – Oakville; Bruce McLeod ('68) – West Vancouver; Doug McLeod ('71) – Vancouver; Pat Milliken '70 – Vancouver; and Guy Reinards ('68) – Mississauga. Pictures of those from LPSS who managed to get in front of the camera are enclosed. See everyone Thanksgiving 2007!



Barb McLeod

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Bruce McLeod, IanGraham, Paul Gordon



Bruce McLeod and Karen (Kate) Brown



Pat Milliken



Paul Gordon, Bruce McLeod,
Ian Graham, and Doug McLeod



Spartan Stuff

1970—1974 **Ross Murison ('73) - rmurison@sympatico.ca**

It seems like a moment ago that I was wishing you all a good summer, now it seems that summer is indeed over for another year. (Well more than seems as Fall has officially begun). Not a bad time of the year, it appeals to the thrifty Scotsman in me. The air-conditioner and the furnace are both silent.



Did you have a good summer this year? The previous summer found me in-between positions and that was grand, the summer seemed to go on for a long time. No so much this summer as I was busy with work; however we had a lovely vacation in PEI and Nova Scotia. I really like the East Coast; I find it very friendly and down to earth. I believe that the dog had the most fun though trying to herd the crabs at low tide.

We're lucky enough to have a cottage just outside of Huntsville in a little village called Dwight. I really like being there, at anytime (although the summer is a little too busy for my tastes), however we also enjoy going off and seeing new places. I remember being a kid and we never went on vacation, we would go up to Muskoka or spend time in the back yard. Now while my inclination is to go hang at the cottage I also like to see new places. What do you guys do? Is it vacations in Europe or down south, or is it resorts outside of the GTA? Just curious is all.

I continue to receive positive feedback which is greatly appreciated, thank-you.

Marv Lowik ('72) and **Steve Smith ('72)** met up at Cudas in the Lorne Park Plaza for some beer and wings, but mainly for the conversation. It seems that you need more than one person to remember everything these days. As I like to say I have an excellent memory, however it's short. This trend seemed to repeat itself at my cottage a little while back with some of the gang including **Steve Clayton ('73)**. One other person, who shall remain nameless, was unable to attend much to the chagrin of the others. He remains nameless as he has no doubt suffered enough.

Now that summer is over it may be easier to get together for a beer (or a soda) and a chicken wing or two to catch up and re-connect, Steve Smith and I are already planning on one. Please feel free to drop a line to join in on the fun.

We're 3 months closer to the big reunion and people are starting to find out about the alumni site back to the fold, here's a list of the people who have re-connected.

Welcome!

Robin ('74)	Bruce Griffin ('73)	Janet Pearson (Miller) ('70)
Betty Johnston (Gillies) ('70)	Sally Bridgman (Kobow) ('72)	Nora Dale (Weedon) ('71)
Mike Leyland ('70)	David Sweezie ('70)	Jim Gerhart ('71)
Phil Pretty ('71)	Karen Straughan (Vanderburgh) ('74)	Marilyn Rea ('70)
Jim Pointing ('75)	Karen Moran ('77)	Gordon McBride ('75)

Re-Connecting

A spot I started last time was a spot for people to re-connect, I'm still hoping to hear from David Robb and Mark Salter.

I got a nice email from **Mary-Jo Bryant (Donoghue) ('74)** and she would like to find out where Val Smith got to.

Our Culture

I got some enquiries about something I mentioned in the last column, DVD-Audio, allow me to elaborate. When we were growing up we were blessed with vinyl, only two flaws as I see it, it would deteriorate with age and vinyl does not like
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Spartan Stuff

1970—1974 (cont.)

being played on multiple players. (Different players, different stylus, different grove).

Along came CD's, very expensive at first, as it is with a new technology. The first CD I bought was Best of George Thorogood and the Destroyers, \$35, the vinyl was \$7. All I could say was "What the heck have I got myself into" This was a great format, it was durable and transferable, no problem. The only thing that's missing is the sound quality. No lows or highs.

Then we got MP3's, based on MPEG, now this format slipped farther down the path and even worst than that was that people started using their computer in place of a separate sound system.

However there was hope, slim hope, but hope, DVD-Audio and the Sony format SACD (Super Audio CD).

Here was a format that combined the brilliant sound of vinyl with the durability of CD's.

However you need a DVD Player that is compatible with DVD-Audio and/or SACD and then you need an AV amplifier that's designed for these formats. This means 6 analog cables. I know analog cables for digital sound. Go figure.

Sounds painful but the experience is incredible. To sit in the middle of your speakers and listen to "Riding with the King" on DVD-Audio (BB King and Eric Clapton) or to surround SACD "Blood on the Tracks" (Bob Dylan), it's awesome.

Anyway that's my two cents worth on the evolution of music.

Here are some movies and music that might strike up a memory or two.

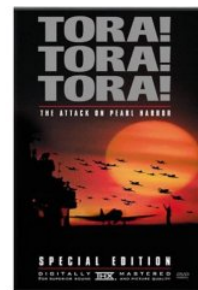
Movies Released in the Fall

1970

Tora! Tora! Tora!

Released: September 23, 1970

The epic film shows the bombing of Pearl Harbor from both perspectives in the historic first American-Japanese co-production.

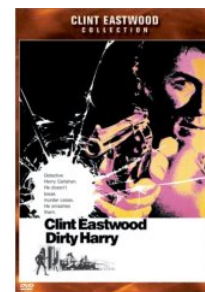


1971

Dirty Harry

Released: December 23, 1971

The movie makes excellent use of its San Francisco locations as Harry Callahan tracks the elusive "Scorpio killer" who has been terrorizing the city by the Bay. Do I feel lucky? Well, do ya, punk?

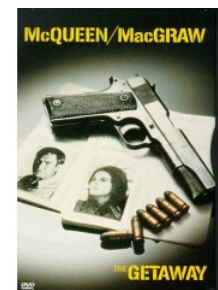


1972

The Getaway

Released: December 13, 1972

I really like a good Sam Peckinpah film, throw in Steve McQueen and for me you can't go wrong. So much better than the 1994 remake with Alec Baldwin and Kim Basinger.



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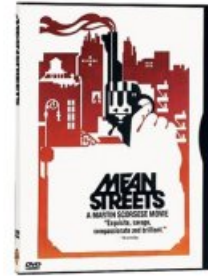
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1973

Mean Streets

Released: October 2, 1973

How can you go wrong when you have Martin Scorsese behind the camera directing with the likes Robert De Niro, Harvey Keitel, David Carradine and Robert Carradine. And it's about gangsters. Now if only the Academy would recognize Martin Scorsese all would be right in my world.



1974

Big Bad Mama

Released: September 19, 1974

Sunday afternoon movies on CityTv usually meant a movie by Roger Corman. (who by the way had Martin Scorsese direct his 1972 film Boxcar Bertha) This film is pure Corman formula: fast-moving, violent, and gritty, adorned with nudity.

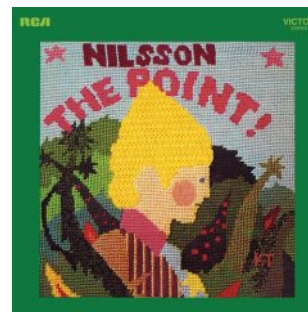


Music – Some of the albums you may have been listening to

1970

Harry Nilsson – The Point

I was sitting at home (some years ago) waiting to go out when a movie cam on the CBC, The Point. A very strange movie. This is the soundtrack. While this may not ring a bell with you I'm sure you've heard at least one of the songs: Me and My Arrow.



1971

Faces – A Nod is as Good as a Wink to a Blind Horse

I found this on CD a few years ago while I was living out in Edmonton, what a great find. Rod Stewart belting out Stay With Me accompanied by soon to be Rolling Stone Ron Wood.



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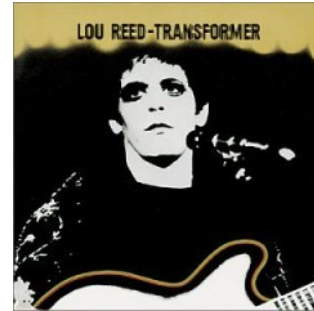
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1972

Lou Reed – Transformer

His second post Velvet Underground album, produced by David Bowie and the late great Mick Ronson. Great songs like "Vicious" and "Walk on the Wild Side" are found on this release.



1973

Paul McCartney and Wings - Band on the Run

What a great release, one good song after another.



1974

Little Feat – Feats Don't Fail Me Now

Southern-spiced blues-rock. Lowell George's slide guitar and vocals we're the mainstay for some great songs. Rock and Roll Doctor and Feats Don't Fail Me Now makes this release lots of fun.



Finally a story from Billy Connelly:

A fellow went to see a pal of his, as he walked in his friend started to cough. Now it wasn't a normal cough, it sounded like a storm approaching and when it hit his friend was doubled over and red faced. When he recovered the first fellow said "That's quite a cough you've got there." His friend retorted "Did you pass the cemetery when you walked up the street" the other fellow said "Why yes I did." "Well there are plenty of people in that cemetery who wished they had my cough" Perspective is everything!

Well that's it for now; please feel free to email me with questions, requests, and ideas, and please find time to donate blood. They have cookies you know.

Peace,
Ross
September 2006

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1975—1979 **Michelle Oliphant (Nolan) ('77) - michellenolan@cogeco.ca**



1980—1989 **Clarissa Stevens-Guille ('83) - clarissasg@sympatico.ca**



Mona St. Onge (Skuterud) ('87) - My family moved from Ottawa last year to Waterloo, Ontario. I am a homemaker with a three year old son and another son due at the end of November. My husband Mikal is a professor in the Economics Department at the University of Waterloo.

While in Ottawa I worked at the National Arts Centre as their Director, Human Resources. We were in Ottawa for three years. Prior to Ottawa we lived in Burlington for five years. I was the Director of Human Resources, Ontario Region for Cascades Boxboard for three years before we left for Ottawa.

So as you can see I have gone from negotiating with the likes of Steelworkers, CAW and PSAC to negotiating with a toddler. The unions are easier to deal with! Generally, they do not cry and you do not have to change their diaper. I plan to stay home for at least the next four years.

Kenneth Yundt ('87) - I have moved back home to look after my parents as they are in ill health. I have used a Bachelor's degree in Psychology to work within the developmentally challenged population in varying capacities.

I had moved to Ottawa to work in a school board there, but moved back to pursue a career in technology through a diploma in information technology. I am currently running a home-based call centre business that I hope will allow me to care for my parents and enjoy a zero kilometer commute.

I am single now with no kids thus far but enjoy the company of friends at social gatherings and night-time entertainment.

Fraser Brewster ('89) - After finishing high school at Lorne Park I went to Seneca College and took Law Enforcement. After graduating I was looking for a career in the police force or in Canada Customs. I have continued my education taking courses at CIIFFA and Canada Customs Brokerage courses. I have been working for Cole International for the past 8 years. They are a International Freight Forwarder and a Canada Customs Broker. My position is the Transborder Specialist for North America.

I have been married for 8 years and have a daughter that is 4 years old and a 1 year old boy.

I live in Brampton ON and I still continue to play competitive soccer and curling. I played soccer for Lorne Park High School and I was also on the Curling Team.

Karen Yundt ('85) - I live in a downtown Ottawa neighbourhood where you can walk to everything. I'm married to Gary Swinkels and we have two boys, Eric (5) and Steven (2). I am a stay at home mom now, but had a career in Human Resources. My current interests are traveling, dancing and good food. I'm in Lorne Park at the moment to help my parents for a few weeks - it's interesting to see what has and hasn't changed.

Marjory Phillips ('82) - After leaving high school, I followed many LPSS grads to the University of Western Ontario where I completed an undergraduate degree in psychology. I was crazy enough to want to stay in school and spent the next six years at the University of Waterloo getting my doctoral degree in clinical psychology. I married my husband - a fellow geek who has even more degrees than I have (MSc and PhD in biochemistry, MBA) and we moved to Kingston in 1993 where I worked as a psychologist for twelve years in a children's rehabilitation centre. We have two great kids - Alex (age 10) and Kate (almost 13) who keep me busy driving to dance, music and various lessons. Most recently, I moved to work full-time as a faculty in the Department of Psychology at Queen's University where I run a Psychology

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clinic for children and teens and teach graduate students. My husband works as a financial analyst in Toronto and commutes home to Kingston every weekend. My mother still lives in Mississauga so we travel back to Lorne Park regularly.

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1990—1999 Lindsay Lepp (Williams) ('95) - linzy905@hotmail.com



and finally...



Why didn't someone tell me this a long time ago?

This is for everyone over 45, whose eyesight isn't what it used to be. I just found out about it, and thought I would pass the information on. It's very useful when trying to read small e-mail print (especially in the early hours).



If you hold down the Ctrl key on your key board, and turn the small wheel in the middle of your mouse, the print size will change - it will either get larger or smaller depending on which way you turn the wheel.

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all heels."*

Jane Ace