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Teach Me Goodness, Discipline and Knowledge

H O N O U R I N G F R . C U L L E N

The following is the sermon that Fr. Q. Johnson, CSB, delivered at Fr. Ron Cullen's memorial mass on Monday, October 18th, 2010 at Assumption Church in Windsor, Ontario.

Our readings today describe the good servant proclaiming the message of Jesus with persistence and conviction, enduring suffering and evangelizing with encouragement and patient teaching.

Our gospel today is from St. Luke, whose feast day it is. Luke identifies the good person by the fruit his heart produces, who hears God's words and acts on them. Such a man has built his faith on rock.

Such a man was Fr. Cullen. A pillar of strength with a deeply rooted faith, he expected toil and struggle, he ignored the easy routes and encouraged us by his own example to take the rougher, tougher roads to perfection.

As my confrere and mentor, he was always available, relaxing in his cluttered office with the door standing open. He was a good listener, and his questions made you think about what you were saying. He was an excellent adviser, demanding but always affirming. More often than not, I would leave his office with a book he recommended, or a newspaper clipping which demonstrated some aspect of the Christian life being lived out by a popular personage. His office was a way station for me, as I taught just down the hall. I might enter that office carrying the day's problems, but would leave with a certain peace that could always be found there. I was not alone. Many of you here have also experienced what I have experienced – a time when souls were bared and I learned to realize just how important my faith was to my very being.

As a teacher, Fr. Cullen stressed the fundamentals. Some would say that if they learned nothing else in his class, they sure learned how to parse a sentence. As a young teacher, Fr. Cullen took me aside and said if you want to succeed in the classroom you must be consistent. For him this meant no exceptions, no lapses or time wasting. His hard and fast principles built many a foundation on solid rock. But if a strong foundation was to be built, it had to find the solid rock of the hockey rink or the baseball diamond. It was

here that Christian principles could be lived out as deep friendships between team mates, sportsmanship in the face of wins or losses, and the Christian example that was caught from a persistent, demanding but loving coach. To paraphrase a line from today's gospel, his plea would always be "Why do you call me Coach, Coach, and do not do what I tell you?"



Fr. Cullen had many nicknames. Many of these came off the athletic field. Shawn O'Keefe who pitched for Fr. Cullen, said Fr. Cullen used to hang around the pitcher's mound, until the day when he took a line drive to the head. From then on he wore a helmet, and bore the nickname "Clank", the sound of a baseball hitting the new helmet. Another nickname was "Clancy", but all

these names were used behind his back by those who respected him, for one reason or another.

Fr. Cullen was a wonderful priest, faithful to his daily prayer. His mass was the most important part of his day. His sermons were filled with examples of practical Christian principles and how we were to live them out in our personal lives. As I have mentioned, he was easy to find and available to all. I seldom walked by his open office door without seeing a student or a graduate, or a teacher or another confrere enjoying his company and in all likelihood being spiritually lifted. Many would make the long pilgrimage to Toronto to stay in touch with him and share his friendship.

As he grew older, his body failed him in many ways. He never complained, but only rejoiced that he could remain close to those he loved, albeit with new knees or hips, or with failing eyes.

In his last trip to Windsor, I was honoured to say daily mass with him at a retirement home where he was staying. Even here with people he didn't know and could barely see, he insisted that our mass be available to all members of the home in a common room, and only once did we celebrate mass quietly in his private room.

Today we celebrate the life of a truly great priest. Along with St. Paul, he too has fought the good fight. He too has finished the race. He too has kept the faith.

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL WHO ATTENDED AND CONTRIBUTED TO THIS MEMORIAL CELEBRATION



From the Assumption Heritage Trust National Foundation



Dear Friends and Colleagues:

The parish of Our Lady of the Assumption is the mother parish of Assumption College School and the oldest parish in Canada west of Montreal. It is undertaking a historic campaign to rebuild and re-invent itself as a centre for the Church in Windsor and it needs our support.

You will be pleased to know that the Assumption Heritage Trust Foundation Board will establish an Arbor Garden honouring the legacy of the Basilian Fathers who have provided service, not only to Assumption Parish, but to Assumption College School and Assumption University. Recently, with the passing of our beloved Fr. Ron Cullen, CSB, a donor wall honouring Fr. Cullen has been developed. The seat wall will be prominently displayed within the Basilian Fathers Arbor Garden.

As the last Basilian principal of Assumption College School, I have been asked to serve as the honorary chair of the Assumption College School alumni appeal and I am asking for your support.

Assumption alums Rocco Tullio, class of '83, Dr. Joe Palazeti, class of '72 and Dave Leonard, class of '59 have agreed to chair the Windsor / Detroit initiative. Jamie Haggarty, class of '83 has agreed to chair the national effort.

We want to make sure that everyone connected with Assumption has an opportunity to support this very worthwhile endeavor. You can make your interest known by contacting us at info@ahtmail.org.

Our website <http://assumptionheritagetrust.org/>

We hope to be able to speak with many of you personally as the campaign progresses.

Fr. Joe Redican, CSB

Principal 1988-1994



Office of the Auxiliary Bishop of London

December 14, 2010

Assumption Alumni Association
1300 Huron Church Road
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ATTENTION: Mr. Hunt Hool, President

Please accept my sincere appreciation for your support of the efforts by Assumption Heritage Trust Foundation to honour the Legacy of the Basilian Fathers and restore Our Lady of Assumption Church.

The leadership in education provided by the Basilian Fathers is well known. Generations of leaders to our community and our nation can attest to the solid foundation for life they were granted based on the principles of Fr. Denis O'Connor. Your support will not only honour the legacy, but ensure that their place in history is celebrated.

On behalf of Assumption Heritage Trust Foundation, I thank you not only for your financial support, but for your partnering with us on this very significant project.

I invite you to visit our website at www.assumptionheritagetrust.org for regular updates and to see how your support is making a difference.

Sincerely,

Most Reverend R. Anthony Daniels
Auxiliary Bishop, Diocese of London
Co-Chair, Assumption Heritage Trust Foundation



Rocco Tullio, '83, Dave Leonard, '59
Dr. Joe Palazeti, '72 and Jamie Haggarty, '83



Sisters Laura Limarzi, 16, left, and Emily Limarzi, 23, pose next to a memorial plaque in honour of their mother Rosemary Limarzi. Their mother was a former communications co-ordinator for the Windsor Catholic District School Board. The plaque is located next to Assumption College High on a path that was named Rosemary's Way in her honour.

Photograph by: Dan Janisse, The Windsor Star

R o s e m a r y ' s W a y

The walk is a short one, perhaps a few minutes, but for two local sisters, it's loaded with inspiration from their mother. Running from Assumption College high school to the University of Windsor's St. Denis Centre, the path called Rosemary's Way is named for former Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board spokeswoman Rosemary Limarzi, who died in 2009. She was the wife of Assumption 1972 grad, Bruno Limarzi. The walk sports a memorial stone bearing her image and an inscription, much to the delight of daughters Emily 2005 grad and Laura Limarzi (future 2012 grad).

"It was a little bit overwhelming," Laura said. But it also drives home the message of giving back to the community. "It really solidifies the impression that she left on the board and the community," Laura said. "The impression's going to be there forever. It's permanent."

Limarzi died of colon cancer in December 2009. She also battled a myriad of other issues, including suspected multiple sclerosis, asthma and more.

Despite carrying mobile oxygen everywhere and walking with the aid of braces, she served not only as the Catholic board's spokeswoman, but on several boards, including the Hotel-Dieu Grace Hospital Foundation. She also headed up the city's accessibility committee.

In years prior she was executive assistant to the CEO of Hotel-Dieu Grace Hospital and executive assistant to LaSalle's Chief of Police.

"She didn't let anything stop her," Emily said. "She often worked very, very long days and always carried her oxygen tank and her brace with her."

"She wanted to keep working. She didn't want to give in to the illness."

For Emily, 23, Rosemary's Way refers not only to the physical path but to the way her mother lived. She said Rosemary's acts of kindness included organizing a Christmas dinner for kids with nowhere to go over the holidays. "Hopefully, people in the community want to know more about Rosemary's Way and what it means," she said. "It's more than a path".

Her lifestyle has left a mark on both sisters. Laura said she's been inspired to go on a mission trip to Kenya in August, where she will help build a school and work on clean water projects.

Emily said she's living her mother's spirit of volunteerism in her own way, by training to become an elementary school teacher. She's finishing a master's degree in education at Wayne State University. "It's just ingrained in you, everything that she taught us," Laura said. "It really inspires you. She was the kind of person who would drop whatever she was doing if anyone needed anything, regardless of what she was doing at the time." The path itself came about before Rosemary's death. Emily said her mother wanted a way to get from Assumption to the University, so the school board named it after her. It's lined with landscaping maintained by the university's horticulture students. It's also lined with memories.

"It's hard to put into words," Emily said of what she feels as she walks the path. "It sort of is a daily reminder that our joy is beyond that on earth."



Windsor Star editor-in-chief Marty Beneteau '75, has been named the paper's new publisher.

Beneteau, who became the first Windsor native to hold the position of editor-in-chief in 2004, has overseen major changes in the paper's coverage and style including a major redesign. Following a 10-year reporting career, Beneteau held a number of editorial leadership positions. News teams under his direction investigated deficient health care, mental illness, the Canada-U.S. border,

prescription drug abuse and adolescent obesity, winning a 1997 National Newspaper Award for a series on troubled children. His teams also captured a Michener citation of merit and several additional National Newspaper Award nominations, most recently for a 2009 expose on humanitarian abuses in Haiti. Beneteau will also continue as editor-in-chief in a dual role.



Paul Monforton '44, the first captain of the Windsor Spitfires, takes in a game last month at the WFCU Centre.

Photograph by: Dan Janisse, The Windsor Star

An alumni association is something most junior hockey teams boast.

It's a chance for players that have moved on to a pro career or the working world to stay in contact with their hockey roots. "Other teams do it, especially in the NHL, and we want to do it," Windsor Spitfires general manager Warren Rychel said. "It's great for the guys. "We want to expand things in the summer and do things like golf and softball." But few teams can say they've reached as far back in their history as the Spitfires, who boast 83-year-old alumnus Paul Monforton. The Windsor native, who now lives in Michigan, was the first captain of the Windsor Spitfires when the club was accepted into the Ontario Hockey Association's Junior A division in 1946-47. "We want to expand our alumni and what better way than with the older guys," Rychel said. Monforton might not be swinging a softball bat in the summer, but he's been more than happy to cross the river and catch his former team in action. The current Spitfires ownership aspires to run the team like a mini NHL club but, in 1946-47, the fledgling Windsor club was as close to the NHL as you could get. "There were only six teams in the National Hockey League," Monforton said. "St. Mike's won the Memorial Cup that year and eight of their guys went to the NHL, so it was a big thing for Windsor." Monforton is a 1944 graduate of Assumption high school and went on to earn a degree from Assumption College while getting a chance to join the Spitfires. "I was kind of an offensive guy," said Monforton, who had nine goals and 14 points in 14 games that first season. Monforton also holds the distinction of being the first-ever captain of the Spitfires. "I kind of had a big mouth, but I'm very proud of being (the first) captain, too," Monforton said. Like the current league the Spitfires play in, the OHA had age restrictions and Monforton had just one year with the club. "You couldn't play when you turned 19," he said. "We were all fighting for the same thing." Forward Gord Haidy and goalie Monty Reynolds were the only players to get into an NHL game from that team, but Monforton said he had a shot. "I was supposed to join the Red Wings, but I broke my ankle playing baseball in London," Monforton said. "I always thought it was the best break I ever had." Instead of chasing a pro hockey career, Monforton spent 46 years working for the Michigan Auto club and settled in the Detroit area. "There's a lot of good friends (from that Spitfire club) that I still keep in touch with," he said. Through current ownership, he's also made a few new friends while getting a chance to watch the club he once played for achieve the dream of winning league and Memorial Cup titles. "It's been good," he said.



ACH Alumni president, Hunt Hool (holding newsletter) with Jose Cuervo at the Mayan Riviera in Mexico. The trip was designed to locate missing graduates. Although sparsely attended, the campaign was successful. Thanks to the Alumni Association for sponsorship, especially the pesos for tequila. (Ha-ha, Hunt!)

CLASS OF '61

Remember your 50th year reunion is November 5th. Don't miss out. Bring along fellow grads. Please check the missing grad section on pg. 22 and forward any addresses to:

519-256-7801 ext. 299

Stan Potvin '83

The Hilton in Windsor has one of the best views of the waterfront and Detroit skylines. Stan Potvin, Assumption Grad '84 and the Executive Chef at the Windsor Hilton for the past three years, has this amazing view as his office. With experience feeding many people for big events and functions like, Superbowl, NCAA and Du Maurier Classic, it is no wonder that he was selected to cook at the Canadian Winter Olympics last winter. He has also cooked for over 3500 pilots and crew members of the Red Bull air races, all of whom requested one of his amazing chocolate creations. We spent a few moments reminiscing about how he preferred Mr. Stephen's English class to the math and sciences and how Mrs. Levac's Art class helped inspire his creativity. After Stan graduated from Assumption, he went to University and then on to Windsor's Police force, following in his father's footsteps. Two years into the force, Stan realized that Police work was not where his heart was. He worked some odd jobs and ended up with his first kitchen job at Windsor's Penalty Box restaurant. Realizing that this was something he was not only good at but enjoyed, he did some research and ended up at the Stratford Culinary School. You can feel the passion emanating from Stan as he talks about food and cooking. "If you can cook, you can work - Everyone needs to eat", he says of why he started cooking. After graduation, he traveled the country from coast to coast, cooking in a variety of places and restaurants. In 2005 a fellow Stratford Graduate offered him a position as sous-chef at the Hilton and Stan jumped onboard. Stan has now been the Executive Chef at the Hilton for the past three years.



parmesan cheese, which they hollowed out and used as fruit bowls. He also chuckles remembering all the cheese they had to grate and slice from those wheels. The Italians also brought their own wine, deli meats and a wide variety of other ingredients that he got to cook with. The language barrier was a unique challenge but his French helped get him by outside of the kitchen. Mr. Larocque may not have approved of how he used his French but Stan got by. Inside the kitchen, the culinary language is universal. A pot is a pot, and water is water. He did learn a lot of new tips and techniques that he feels are invaluable when you want to continue to grow as a Chef. You can hear the pride in his voice when he speaks of cooking plated meals for some of the dignitaries that visited the village: Joe Biden, Prince Albert of Monaco, Prime Minister Harper and President Conti of the Italian Olympic Committee. His day started at 5:30 a.m. and finished around 7:00 p.m. but it wasn't all work. He witnessed the Gold Medal Skeleton run from Jon Montgomery and was part of the impromptu celebration through the streets of Vancouver after the win. He was housed in Staff housing and says he felt "like a Rock Star or someone from the Food Network" being ushered from the airport to the village. He also talks of the ridiculously expensive food at the Olympics where a cheeseburger started at around \$25.00 and a beer started at around \$7.00. He ended up eating mostly in the food tent where he worked. As the village was cordoned off to traffic, Stan ended up walking everywhere and lost about 25lbs in the month he was there. Stan speaks of what an incredible honour it was to be invited to cook for the Olympics but stresses there was a lot of hard work to get there.

In the early part of this year, Stan was called to his boss's office and he felt that "he was on his way into Fr. Hart's office all over again". It is never a good sign when your boss wants to see you or Fr. Hart for that matter, so he was nervous, wondering "what did I do now"? The good news was that the Hilton in Vancouver needed help for the Canadian Winter Olympics, and Stan had been recommended for the job. For one month he cooked for Team Italia in the Olympic Village. The Italian team built a kitchen housed inside a tent in the middle of the courtyard. His day started early in the morning when he had to patrol the area for bears before starting the day's work. One of his favourite opportunities was cooking for one week "Food Around the World", where each day for one week, a different country's food was featured for the coaches and dignitaries. He talks with infatuation about the food the Italians brought with them, including 200lb wheels of

When asked what advice he would give to those culinary students at his Alma Mater he states: "Go to Medical School, stay out of the hot kitchen." He is however just joking. His best advice is to go to cooking school at a reputable culinary institute. "You have to learn the basics; knife skills, temperature control and you have to hone your palate. Only culinary school can do that for you. Then, you should specialize, look into becoming a Pastry Chef. There are not enough of them out there and there are way more opportunities for that type of specialty." He stressed the importance of learning the proper methods and techniques as "consistency is the most important element with food; nobody wants surprises when they eat. You go to your favourite restaurant because you know what to expect." What could top cooking at the Olympics? How about his marriage last month to Rachael and a future Assumption Graduate in the form of his son that he is expecting in September or maybe, just maybe a trip to Russia in 2014 for the Winter Olympics, cooking once again for coaches and dignitaries? Well, we will have to wait and see. (interviewed last year by M.J. Meyer '90)

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ACS STAFF - WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Ms. Louise Kelly:

Ms. Kelly retired in 1990 after teaching English at ACS for 20 years. Prior to ACS, Miss Kelly had taught at St. Mary's Academy, and Jr. High at St. Anthony, St. Francis and St. Clare. She has traveled to countries of Asia, Europe and parts of the U. S.; she enjoys cooking, sewing, quilting and decorating at Immaculate Heart church. She misses the camaraderie of her colleagues particularly those whom she liked and admired.

Fr. 'Q' Johnson:

Fr. 'Q' retired in 2000 after 36 years teaching at ACS where he has taught English, Algebra, History and Biology. Prior to teaching at ACS, Father Johnson had graduated from the University of Saskatchewan and then joined the Basilians. He continues his outdoor interests of canoeing, hiking and snowshoeing. While at ACS his camera work assisted the football team and he has served as a teacher representative. Father is twice an uncle and three-times a grand-uncle to his brother's family. He travels to Ottawa several times a year and has been to New York and Florida; his interests include piano, carpentry, ministering to the sick and dying and saying Masses on Sunday. Highlights of his teaching career are the canoe trips to Algonquin Park with students, the joy of teaching, adapting computers to teaching and saying daily Masses at Assumption. Father 'Q' "loved his students", enjoyed the staff and secretaries; while he misses his colleagues, Jerry Philp and Dave Murray in particular, he does see them occasionally. Father says that he has 'no regrets'.

Mrs. Pauline Kenney:

Mrs. Kenney retired in 1999 after 15 years at ACS as secretary in the Main Office. Prior to her work at ACS, she enjoyed staying home raising a son and daughter both ACS grads. She had worked at a life insurance company for 9 years before quitting to raise her family. At ACS Mrs. Kenney worked with Fr. Cullen at the Golf Dinner and helped organize the Annual Alumni Reunion. Her son Perry married Lucy and works at H.J. Heinz. Her daughter Mary and husband Kim, have a son Jesse, who attends Villanova High School. Mary also works at Richmond Nursing Home in Amherstburg. Mrs. Kenney's travels throughout Ontario were numerous. She loves to read, knit, and garden every summer. She enjoys helping with the Alumni Newsletter and the Reunion in November. She very much enjoyed her retirement party in 1998 but did not retire until June, 1999 and was the first to receive the school's Mary Kulyk Award. Working with the Basilian Fathers also highlighted her career at ACS. While she loved working with the Staff and Students, and considers them "...the greatest!", she enjoys her retirement and her marriage of 53 years to her husband Robert.

Mr. Peter Scarpelli:

Mr. Scarpelli retired in 1998 after 17 years at ACS where he taught Mathematics. Prior to ACS he had taught at St. Patrick elementary school for 14 years. He coached tennis while at ACS. He and his wife Barbara enjoy spending the winter in Florida where they play tennis in the USTA leagues. Peter writes, "On my first day at ACH, Jack Hool, Fr. Leon Hart and Mary Kulyk approached me, introduced themselves, welcomed me, and offered their help whenever I needed it. This represented the Assumption philosophy/mentality to me and that became my mantra while I taught there." He adds that when he attends the reunions, he is constantly amazed at the number of former students who have become successful in their work/ careers/ their lives. It is very gratifying to know that ACH has had that effect on so many people and that he was a part of it.

EAVES HONOURS HIS ROOTS

BY BOB DUFF, THE WINDSOR STAR APRIL 3, 2010



By the time Mike Eaves was nine years old, his father Cec first recognized that there was a budding coach growing inside that little body. "One night, we were watching Hockey Night In Canada," Cec Eaves recalled. "There was a play that happened on the TV, and I said, 'Mike, did you see what just happened there?' And he said, 'Yeah dad, I did, but did you see that other play, and this other play?' "I knew right then that he saw the game better than I did." Coach of the Wisconsin Badgers, Mike Eaves will bring his club to Ford Field next week to play in the NCAA Frozen Four. At the same time, he'll be bringing a significant portion of the Eaves family back together. Cec, the patriarch of the

Eaves clan and a former Windsor Lancers hockey coach, will be there. The tournament will be held in the city where Mike's son Patrick, 25, plays forward for the Detroit Red Wings. It will be a homecoming on many levels for Mike, 53, who won an NCAA title as a player with Wisconsin in Detroit in 1977, not long after he attended high school in Windsor at Assumption. Every coach has his influences. Mike's include (Badger) Bob Johnson, his coach at Wisconsin. "He couldn't have had a better teacher than Badger Bob," Cec said. "Bob took him to another level." Don't forget Rev. Ronald Cullen, his coach at Assumption. "He was really a fundamentalist when it came to skills," said Mike, who still keeps in regular contact with Father Cullen. There was also Kevin Constantine, who included Mike on his staff when he was head coach of the Pittsburgh Penguins. In this case, though, his first pass to a path behind a bench began in the family living room. "When people ask about influences in my life in terms of coaching, it started right at home," Mike said. "I think my dad is one of the best teachers that I ever saw in terms of being able to break things down, take a whole and break it into parts and be able to share it with young people." Cec, who played junior hockey for the Calgary Buffaloes and won an NCAA title at Denver, knew as a teenager what his life's passions would be. "About the age of 18, I knew I wanted to teach and coach," said Cec, who lists former Red Wing Murray Armstrong, his coach at Denver, as his inspiration. You could look behind several benches and find a member of the Eaves family in a suit with a pen and notebook in hand. Cec, 74, coached CIS hockey at Calgary and Saskatchewan as well as Windsor, and later worked with the CAHA. Son Paul coached senior hockey in Saskatchewan. After playing in the NHL, Mike has led Wisconsin to an NCAA crown and Team USA to World Junior gold. His brother Murray, 49, coached in the AHL and ECHL and today works at prominent Minnesota prep school Shattuck St. Mary's. Mike's son Ben, 28, is an assistant coach with the AHL's Norfolk Admirals. Murray's son Tyler, 23, is an assistant coach at Alabama-Huntsville, which fell to No. 1-ranked Miami in the opening round of the NCAA tournament. Patrick believes so many family members have made hockey their life, because no one in their family ever made hockey a chore. "You never looked at it as a job," Patrick said. "It's just a game. I think that's what my dad really focused on, to make sure it was always fun for us. "It gave us a chance to fall in love, because it wasn't pushed down our throats. It was family time, time to laugh. My dad had us getting better and we didn't really even know it. He's still a kid. He still has fun going to the rink every day. I think that's why he's had so much success. "He works his butt off and he has fun doing it. That's a good combination." One that's combined to make coaching and the Eaves synonymous.

Contributions Received January to December 2010

The Century Club is composed of those former students and friends who have contributed \$100.00 or more within a given year to the Alumni Fund to sponsor Alumni activities including the newsletter.

Following are the individuals who have contributed in 2010 and so far in 2011. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION.

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ASSUMPTION COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL IN 1956

L E T T E R S

Dear Mr. Hool and Alumni Association Members: Please accept this contribution to the Alumni Association with gratitude for all the hard work you do. It is always a pleasure to read the newsletter and to attend the five year reunions. I remember my school days at Assumption very fondly. Sincerely,
Catherine M. Lee (Beneteau) '81

Dear Alumni Association: Thank you for your wonderful efforts that keep fond memories and wonderful friendships alive. Your newsletters never fail to bring a smile! Thanks again, Linda Iannucci Lackovic, '76

Dear Hunt: As of Oct. 2010, I have been retired from the Diocese. I will be moving to Toronto in April 2011 to live in the Basilian Fathers community centre. I have been proud of our players of the Purple Raiders – so many championships and fellowship. May God bless "All the Boys" (and the girls) as they continue to victories.
Fr. Gord Walker, C.S.B.

Alumni Homecoming Saturday, November 5th, 2011

All former students, friends of Assumption, their wives, husbands, etc., are invited to this gala evening. Mass at 7:00 p.m. in our very own chapel, then enjoy a cool cocktail in the Armstrong Gym along with incredibly delicious appetizers prepared by the students of the culinary Arts Department (led by Chef Diane Nehmetallah) who specialize in 'high skills' area. The appetizers are going to be a reflection of the multicultural diversity at Assumption. Connect with your classmates, other alumni and former staff members. Class pictures begin at 8:30 p.m. with the class of 1946 and 1951. THANK YOU volunteers for working diligently to contact your fellow grads. Great job, Raiders!

WE NEED YOU!!

Our reunions have always been crowded with happy people. To continue these successful and memorable events, your help is needed to encourage your classmates to join in the fun. Though much of the focus is on the 5-year anniversary groups, ALL ALUMNI are welcome to attend.

YOU CAN HELP

Volunteer to organize or help organize your class by phone, fax, email or other means. Provide and/or organize the picture displays for your year.

WHAT TO DO

If you can help in any way, contact the Alumni Office by phone at 519-256-7801 ext. 299. So far, the following have generously volunteered to be a class contact for the following Grad Years:

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7:00 P.M.

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Mark Ceolin '80

FILMMAKER'S BUSINESS TO BE A MATCHMAKER OPENS DOORS FOR FIRMS IN CHINA

Dave Hall, The Windsor Star

Published: Monday, October 26, 2009

He's travelled halfway around the globe, taught and studied in Toronto, Kyoto and Rome but Windsor's Mark Ceolin finally seems to have found a home in Shanghai, where he's lived for the past six years.

A graduate of Assumption high school, who studied business for one year at the University of Windsor, Ceolin is now a successful documentary and television producer with his own production company, as well as being chairman of Shanghai's branch of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce.

Rakesh Naidu, business attraction director for the Windsor-Essex Development Commission, is now hoping that Ceolin's business connections in Shanghai can benefit local companies seeking to create partnerships in China.

"One of the great ironies of my life is that as a business school dropout, I'm now heading the Canadian Chamber in Shanghai," said Ceolin, during a recent whirlwind visit to his hometown.

Ceolin did, however, take a double major in cognitive psychology and English literature at the University of Toronto and later achieved his PhD. Despite his early business leanings, he's always been drawn to the performing arts, media and communications.

"I studied traditional Japanese theatre, which is performed in ancient Japanese, and that led me into entertainment," said Ceolin, who also once led his own travelling theatre company. "I've lost most of my conversational Japanese now but in the theatre, you learn by rote repetition. It's education by humiliation and at the end, you have the part down pat but you understand very little of it."

Ceolin moved to Italy in 1991 when his wife Karen Cvornyek, also an Assumption grad '80, was on a work assignment for her architectural firm, redesigning a portion of the Canadian embassy.

While in Rome, he learned to speak Italian while studying Italian masked theatre for another series of performances.

After that, it was back to Canada where Ceolin taught theatre arts and inter-cultural studies at Ryerson University in Toronto for six years. When Cvornyek, a partner with B+H Architects, was assigned to take over her company's Shanghai office in 2003, Ceolin followed with Sebastian, now 9. The couple has since adopted daughter Mattea, 4.

"I was working on a book about 18th century theatre reform at the time we moved but one day, I was sitting in the apartment writing and just started thinking it was time to get out and do something," said Ceolin.

He started out on a collaboration with a partner on a pilot for a reality show which never actually went into production but decided he'd found something he loved to do. Tapping into his theatrical interests, Ceolin launched Red Gate International in 2005, a cultural communications company which specializes in documentaries, public relations, marketing, TV production and corporate videos.

His most recent production was an eight-part series documenting the Olympic movement in China, which received the highest ratings ever for a program on Shanghai TV and has been nominated for an international Emmy. Ceolin's company also handled all of the Chinese production for the joint Canadian-Chinese film Iron Road which starred Peter O'Toole, Sam Neil and Sun Li.

ANOTHER MACLEOD UP FOR LITERARY AWARD

Ted Shaw, The Windsor Star

Published: Tuesday, September 21, 2010



The first book by Windsor's Alexander MacLeod '90 is in the running for the 2010 Giller Prize, Canada's richest literary award.

Light Lifting, a book of stories drawn from MacLeod's experiences growing up in Windsor, is among 13 titles on the long list of authors released Monday by the Giller panel. They will be vying for the top prize of \$50,000.

MacLeod, 38, son of award-winning writer Alistair MacLeod, was born in Inverness, N.S., in 1972.

Many of the stories in Light Lifting are drawn from his youth and college years from the mid-1970s to the early 1990s. After graduating from the University of Windsor, MacLeod went on to study literature at the University of Notre Dame and Montreal's McGill University.

He currently lives in Dartmouth, N.S., with his wife, Crystal Garrett, a CBC journalist and teacher, and their three young children. He is on sabbatical from his teaching post at St. Mary's University in Halifax.

The Curry Avenue neighbourhood in Windsor where he grew up inspired large segments of Light Lifting, MacLeod said Monday while at a book launch in Guelph.

"It comes from my old neighbourhood in west Windsor where I spent a lot of my time," he said.

There are also references to attending the University of Windsor, where MacLeod met his wife, an Essex native, while both were members of the college track team.

MacLeod first started writing Light Lifting 13 years ago, but never sought advice from his father.

"He only saw the stories when they were finished and in book form," MacLeod said.

Alistair MacLeod is one of Canada's most distinguished and admired authors. His story collections -- The Lost Salt Gift of Blood (1976) and As Birds Bring Forth the Sun and Other Stories (1986) -- are acclaimed as masterpieces of the genre.

But as the son of a famous writer, Alexander MacLeod had no trouble deciding to follow in his father's footsteps.

"My father and my mother have supported everything we decided to do," he said, noting his brothers Kenneth and Lewis, and sister Marion, have pursued music careers.

Biblioasis launched Light Lifting along with three other new books at Phog Lounge, 157 University Ave. W. The four authors were on hand to read from their books and sign copies. Music was provided by MacLeod's siblings.

Asked if he also plays, MacLeod said he dabbles in guitar. "I play well enough to do Raffi songs for the kids, that's about it."

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Laurie Lauzon Clabo '75
Dean of the School of Nursing

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Alex F. Johnson, PhD, is pleased to announce that Laurie Lauzon Clabo, PhD, RN, will join the Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) Institute of Health Professions on June 1, 2010, as Dean of the MGH Institute School of Nursing. She will also hold a faculty appointment as Professor of Nursing.

Currently, Dr. Lauzon Clabo is Associate Dean of the College of Nursing at the University of Rhode Island (URI). Previously, she served two years there as Director of Undergraduate Studies in Nursing.

"I look forward to working with the Institute's highly qualified and well-regarded faculty, students who are fully engaged, and an administration that is on the cutting edge of nursing education," said Dr. Lauzon Clabo. She cited the Institute's clinical focus, connection with Massachusetts General Hospital and other affiliates in Partners HealthCare, and the opportunity to increase faculty research as other key reasons for her decision.

"The Institute and faculty of the School of Nursing are looking at new ways to prepare nurses as leaders in the 21st Century, and to build the knowledge base that supports nursing practice," she said. "It's an exciting time to be joining the Institute."

"Dr. Lauzon Clabo's appointment at the Institute is the result of a highly competitive national search," said Dr. Johnson. "She has a portfolio that demonstrates excellence in academic leadership, promotion of scholarship, and in nursing education. She will be a dynamic presence in our School of Nursing who will enhance our ongoing commitment to interprofessional development at the Institute. At URI, Dr. Lauzon Clabo has been involved in teaching across the various levels of nursing education, from baccalaureate to doctoral, with a particular emphasis on nursing administration and deductive theory development. She was the original coordinator of URI's Clinical Nurse Leader program. Her program of research focuses on the impact of nursing unit-level culture on the practice of the individual nurse.

Before joining the URI faculty, Dr. Lauzon Clabo held a number of positions in nursing leadership, most recently as the Director of Nursing Practice at Hotel Dieu Hospital in Kingston Ontario, Canada.

In 2005, Dr. Lauzon Clabo was named a Fuld Fellow in the American Association of Colleges of Nursing Leadership for Academic Nursing Program. She serves on the Board of Trustees for CharterCARE Health Partners of Rhode Island. She chairs the research committee for Delta Upsilon Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau. She is a member of the American Nurses Association, the Rhode Island State Nurses Association, the Eastern Nursing Research Society, and the Massachusetts Organization of Nurse Executives.



Dr. Leonardo Cortese '74
Dig deep to discover student problems, teachers urged

By Don Lajoie, The Windsor Star February 14, 2011

Any teacher lecturing to a class of 20 or more students is likely to be looking into the faces of four or five young people who may be experiencing serious brain disorders and need help.

Dr. Leonardo Cortese, chief of psychiatry at Windsor Regional Hospital, sent that message to 2,500 employees of the Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board Friday.

Cortese said 20 per cent of youth suffer from some form of mental disorder.

"How is depression presented in children or adolescents?" the doctor asked the educators gathered for the board's first Student Mental Health and Well-Being symposium. "They have a lot of difficulty telling us they're depressed or have anxiety. You're a detective and need to dig deeper to get to that."

But, Cortese added, it's important teachers try because, if left untreated, between 50 and 70 per cent of those young people will go on to have chronic mental health issues as adults. The longer the problems go untreated, the more severe they become.

Cortese said educators could be looking at the full range of mental illness symptoms, from depression and anxiety disorder to early onset schizophrenia and psychosis. Some of those problems may overlap. If a teen is suffering from anxiety, there's a 40 per cent chance of depression as well.

The problem, Cortese said, is that because of the social stigma of mental illness, the students are unlikely to seek help from those who may be best placed to begin providing it, their teachers.

He told the educators there are "red flags" to watch for: students who have become angry, hostile and disruptive in class, those who may appear either overly agitated or too lethargic, students who lose interest in school clubs, teams or activities. Some who respond poorly in social situations may suffer from an anxiety disorder that makes them unable to function because of fear of humiliation or feelings of worthlessness.

Drugs, alcohol and substance abuse are signs of attempted "self-medication." A student who seems overly fastidious about the order of books on the desk or overly concerned with the elimination of germs may have the beginnings of an obsessive-compulsive disorder.

Then there are the cases that warn of imminent danger.

"The second most common cause of death in adolescence is suicide," said Cortese. "The first is accidents. It's tragic but it's out there.... One school board I dealt with had four suicides in two months. There tends to be a domino effect." Cortese said school boards need to develop protocols on how to deal with such issues.

Jeanne Sauro '78, head of Catholic studies at Assumption high school, said she has encountered students with such problems countless times in her 27 years as an educator. "I think it's essential that all teachers are made aware of it," she said. "Suicide is a major issue and it's heartbreaking. This reinforces the need for teachers to be aware of the signs and advocate on their students' behalf."



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Two More Join Windsor/Essex County Sports Hall of Fame

On October 16, 2010, Terry Snyder and Godfrey Janisse '55 were formally inducted into the Windsor/Essex County Sports Hall of Fame. Both individuals were inducted in the Founders category. Terry, after being born and raised in Quebec began his heralded high school teaching career at Assumption in 1954. For the next seven years, he coached several sports, including football, hockey, swimming, soccer, cross country and track and field. Snyder then went on to teach and coach at Riverside High School for over thirty years. Terry's teams went on to win eight championships out of fifteen championship final appearances. Terry's teams became the fiercest rivals for those Assumption hockey teams coached by Father Cullen. Terry comes back each year to attend the annual reunion.

Godfrey Janisse was a fine athlete who played football, baseball and basketball at Assumption before beginning a very successful teaching and coaching career. As Athletic Director and Head Football Coach at Herman, Walkerville and Massey, his teams won six titles while appearing in the championship finals fourteen times. Godfrey's football teams at Herman often represented the toughest test for Gerry Philp's Assumption teams in the 1970s. Besides coaching football, Godfrey coached baseball with Father Cullen in the Mic Mac baseball program.

OTHER ASSUMPTION ALUMNI HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



Godfrey Janisse



Terry Snyder

Rev. Charles Armstrong	Oct. 17, 1981
Frank Wansbrough	Sept. 29, 1984
Bruno Bitkowski	Sept. 17, 1988
Gino Fracas	Sept. 16, 1989
Dick Dupuis	Nov. 2, 1991
Stanley Nantais	Nov. 2, 1991
Rev. Ronald Cullen	Sept. 18, 199
Reno Bertoia	Sept. 18, 1992
Hank Biasatti	Sept. 18, 1992
Bill Butcher	Oct. 16, 1993
John Upham	Nov. 4, 1995
Dr. Frank DeMarco	Oct. 19, 1996
Jimmy Hogan	Oct. 16, 1999
Medo Martinello	Oct. 13, 2001
Eddie Mio	Oct. 16, 2004
Bruce Walker	Oct. 16, 2004
Margaret Sidoroff-Canty	Oct. 13, 2007
Joe Siddall	Nov. 8, 2008
Sam Sisco	Oct. 17, 2009



ACS Jazz Band at 2010 Alumni Reunion

MIKE EAVES '74 LEARNING FROM WINNERS

Wisconsin hockey coach an inspiration to students

BY DAVE HALL, THE WINDSOR STAR SEPTEMBER 15, 2010

Building a winning culture involves giving your players or employees the freedom to dream but also requiring them to take responsibility for turning those dreams into reality.

"It's OK to dream but you have to get off the couch and make them happen," said Mike Eaves, a former Windsor resident, who is now head coach of the University of Wisconsin hockey team. Speaking to a group of business leaders, students and sports enthusiasts as part of the Odette School of Business breakfast series, Eaves said: "We tell our players they have the freedom to chart their own course but they have to do it within the team concept and passion is what motivates you to make those dreams come true, whether it's in sports or business." Eaves, whose father Cec once coached the University of Windsor Lancer hockey team, won an NCAA championship at Wisconsin as a player and after an eight-year NHL career, he returned to Wisconsin as head coach and led the Badgers to another title in 2006. When Eaves rejoined the Badgers in 2002, the program was struggling and attendance was dropping. "The first thing I asked myself was what kind of culture do we want to develop here," said Eaves. "To me, culture is a combination of behaviours, customs and traits. "And that first year was pure hell," admitted Eaves. "It was tough but we had a group of freshmen who bought into what we were trying to do. Four years later, we were back in the Frozen Four and we won it." Now, the Badgers average about 14,000 fans per game and last year played before three crowds in excess of 35,000, including two at Ford Field in the season-ending championship tournament.

In the other, more than 55,000 fans watched them edge Michigan 3-2 at Camp Randall Stadium in Madison, Wis. Eaves said that one of the secrets of developing a winning team or organization is providing your players with what they need at each moment of their development. "It's that awareness of what your players or people need that makes you a good leader or a good coach," said Eaves. "There are times when they need building up and there are times when they need knocking down a peg and you have to recognize each situation."

Now, Wisconsin fans expect success every season even when players graduate and new ones are introduced into the Badger culture.

"Excellence is a way of life at Wisconsin," said Eaves. "We have a young team again this year after losing 11 players but it doesn't change our expectations of excellence."

Eaves also believes in expecting his players to take ownership of their individual and team performances.

"Employees who take ownership of their own situation will help you grow and be successful," said Eaves.

Eaves' entire family remains involved in hockey. Brother Murray coaches hockey and lacrosse at Shattuck-St. Mary's School in Minnesota, son Patrick plays for the Detroit Red Wings and son Ben recently signed a two-year contract to coach Jokerit of the Finnish Elite League.

"Everyone I ever played for made an impression on my life," said Eaves. He was most influenced by his father, Rev. Ronald Cullen and Bob Johnson, who coached Eaves at both Wisconsin and the Calgary Flames, he said.

"But you can't be someone you're not," said Eaves. "I can't be Mike Babcock. I have to be Mike Eaves and we tell our players the same thing."



60, 55, 30 YEAR ANNIVERSARIES



1950

Row 1: Doug Stover, Max Plante, Ken Robinson, Charlie Hickey, Tom Carey, David Simon
 Row 2: John Brothers, Bill Milligan, John Gaffney, Chuck Cooper, Paul Laethem, Bob Burrow
 Row 3: Bernard McNamara, William Cramp, Jim Guiry, Tom O'Neil, Connie (Walter) DeMattia



1955 David Paron, Joseph Berezcz, Al Ruppert



1949 Tom O'Neil, Fred Smith, Walter DeMattia



1980

Row 1: Maureen St. Pierre, Chrissy (Stodolny) VanderHeide-Stolarski, Michelle (Paterson) Maisonville, Anne-Marie (Clemerson) Laino, Diane (Duchene) Westenberg, Elena (Tesolin) Courtaux, Dave Kirby, Anna Kelly, Katie Moriarty, Matthew Romain
 Row 2: Jennifer (Hulaj) Limburg, Wade Nelligan, Vanessa Boratto, Jim LaFontaine, Bill Pignanelli, Tony Sorge, Louie Masse, Mike Papp, Tom Sobocan
 Row 3: Lisa (Montemurri) Maltese, Claudia Kirchner, David Emon, Alayne (Warwaruk) Main, Michelle Durocher, Steven Dzubela, Brian Nantais, Atul Pradhan
 Row 4: Christine Schincariol, Diane Bergamin-Fournier, Angelo Tiseo, Paul Davidson, Nancy (Vecchione) Carr, Kevin Carr, RoseMarie (Sennett) Sinasac
 Row 5: Louis Brisson, Dan Schulz, Kean Nicol, Linda DeLuca, Lou-Ann (Rigo) Maurice, Tony Tullio, Dan Kirby, Kevin Peltier
 Extra: Joe Kostelnik, Paul Chemello

ATTENTION! CLASS OF 1975

Don't forget to come out to Lilly Kazzilly's this year on Friday, Nov. 4th, 2011 anytime after 8:00 p.m. It'll be great to catch up on news with everyone. Remember, every year it gets better and better. So come on out and have a great time!!



Elaina Aiello, Claudia Raymundo, Rhodora Badian, Jakub Biernacki
 Class of 2000



1975

Row 1: Mark Philp, Sue (Rivard) Jones, Shirley Normand, Bruno Bertucci, Tom Heiser, Lil (Caira) Dumouchelle
 Row 2: Cathy (Bernacchi) James, Ann (Rondot) Dadalt, Peter Hrastovec, Denise (Mayea) Hrastovec, Duane Parent, Mark Neilson
 Row 3: Vito Ruisi, Ted Paterson, Sal Cimino, Art Magri, Michael Niziolek, Frank Iatonna, Geoff Deneau, Mark Bortolotti (Harpo)
 Row 4: Stewart Mantha, Nina (Fox) Miller, Tony Russo, Tessy (May) Kenney, Dale Ziter, Gerry Power, Dan Reaume, Frank Tramontozzi
 Row 5: Bob Charlton, Chuck Soulliere, Bill Wasyluk, Brian Fortune, Fred Mroun, Dave Roberts



1960

Row 1: Terry Snyder "Duke", Jarret McCormick, Mike Chalut, Gary Posey
 Row 2: Vic Venegas, Frank Medoro, Wayne Veltman



1970
 Greg Walker

1995
 Jolene Brignall



1985

Row 1: Sean O'Rourke, Yolanda Stanczak, Brenda (DePaoli) Testa, Ornella (Polidori) Ciavaglia, Tina (Como) Hinsperger, Adelina Greco, Rosa Savoni, Elaine Roveroni, Joyce Bugeja, Anna Ferraro, Vilma (Macchione) Zambito, Ron Meloche
 Row 2: Mary-Joe Renaud, Cindy (Soda) Matchett, Monica Godin, Brenda (Rivard) Rice, Rossana (Pizzo) Moavro, Rosa (Sbrocca) Auger, Carrie (Woodman) Russette, Donna (Gillen) Trepanier, Mike Pizzuti, June (Hiel) Lore, Deborah (McIntyre) Uszynski, Kathy Fazekas, Barb (Brodzinski) Gidillini
 Row 3: Pete Curran, Palmi Truant, Kevin Lane, Lois (Messer) Hamilton, Howard Caille, Cathy (Barrette) Vendrasco, Darlene (Trojansek) Montgomery, Tanya Hlady, Richard Perz, Alba (Giglio) Younan, Maria (Balenzano) Frabotta, Paul Scaddan
 Row 4: Margo Valcke-Curran, Ron Spratt, Bill Sandre, Steve Miner, Brian Marion, Donna Finnegan, Yvonne Blum, A.J. Schmidt, Jayson Campeau, Rosario Meo, Tony Bevacqua, Lorenzo Laberi
 Row 5: Brad Fahringer, Rory Feore, Vito Tarantola, Barrie MacDonald, Guido Benvenuto, John Simone, Sandro Nardone, Christine Ozimek, Pat Sasso, Phil Lee-Shanok, Steve Schincariol
 Row 6: Paul O'Brien, George Spartinos, Gino Vitella, Pat Fiorino, Alex Sasso, Michael Outram, Frank Luiso, Vince Pasquantonio, Rick Sbrocca, Chris Younan, Chris Karpala, Vince Trocchi



Assumption College Catholic High School Can Drive 2010

November 2010 brought with it many exciting events to ACS! One in particular helped raise school spirit and the spirit of a community who asked for our help. The 2010 Can Drive was an extremely successful three-week event in which the proceeds went to the St. Vincent De Paul Society of Windsor. During this time, the halls were filled with Can Drive Spirit. Friendly competition and



classroom incentives added to the fun of this event! Hundreds of ACS students braved the sometimes-unpleasant weather and went door to door campaigning for the cause. Students, teachers, and community volunteers worked tirelessly and their efforts were rewarded. The ACS community was able to collect over 37,000 cans! With student participation at its highest in years, we were able to achieve and exceed our goals! The ACS community looks forward to continuing this tradition. Thank you so much to all alumni who provided support for this great cause.



Jake Hayes makes his dunk shot. Unfortunately, it wasn't enough as the Windsor Police beat the Purple Raiders for the third straight year.

The score ended up at 74 to 51. Try again next year, Raiders!

The real winner was our mission club which raised funds for the needy from this event.



Golf Tournament Aids Research - ACH Missions at Work

Tory is a 9-year-old boy who was diagnosed with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy at the age of 2 1/2. Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy is the most common fatal genetic disorder in childhood, affecting approximately one in every 35,000 live male births. There is no cure or treatment. Muscles break down and do not repair themselves. All funds raised at the golf tournament and at the annual "Walk Across Canada Day" in London are donated to 'The Jesse's Journey Foundation', a foundation named after Jesse Davidson, a victim of Duchenne muscular dystrophy who died at the age of 29. All funds go to research into the disease, research that gives the Provenzano family hope. Locally, Tory's Tourney has raised and contributed \$233,000 for the research foundation. This year the tournament will be held in August 2011. For more information, sponsorship or donations, please visit torystourney@gmail.com or you can call Kelly or Frank Provenzano at 519-972-3075.

Assumption College Catholic High School proudly supported Tory's Tourney last summer. The Purple Raiders donated \$250.00 through weekly Mission collections and donated it to Tory's Tourney. "Assumption is a school community committed to helping those in need, locally and globally. Even though we are a small school, these kids really know how to give. The Assumption Community raised over \$6500 last year for the Missions and every penny comes from the hearts of staff and students." says, Linda Presello, Campus Minister at ACS.



(L) Kelly and Frank Provenzano, Tory, Antonella Borrelli (Provenzano ACS '81) and Linda Presello (Lesperance ACS '81)

Boniferro/Landry Golf Outing

FORE! Once again it is that time of year. Get those clubs out of the basement, dust them off, and tee it up at Kingsville Golf and Country Club on Saturday, May 7, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. After nine holes, food and drinks, we will reminisce about our friends Guy Boniferro and Mark Landry. Dino Latella is the gracious coordinator of this event. If interested, please contact the alumni office at 519-256-7801 ext 299. See you there!

ATTENTION CLASS '79

Currently, graduates from the '79 class are planning one big birthday party for all '79 classmates. Yes, the majority of us were born in 1961, thus turning 50 this year!!! Everyone is invited. Details have not been finalized yet but we are looking at the civic holiday, Monday, August 1st, 2011. A location has yet to be determined. Please check the ACH Alumni website at achalumni.ca for further updates as logistics are complete. HUNT HOOL '79



These guys don't wait for every 5 years for an Assumption Reunion to come around. For over 40 years "the boys" met weekly for a couple of pops after a grueling game of floor hockey at the Fogolar Furlan Club. Time has witnessed their "evolution" into just meeting for a couple of pops at the Fogolar or at Vito's or Art's garages for a grueling game of darts. Seven of the boys even date back to St. Patrick's Elementary School. They're keeping the Assumption spirit alive.

Guys from 1975: Art Magri, Rob Corrado, Dan Tullio, Vito Ruisi, Ted Patterson, Denis Dadalt, Roberto Dadalt, Rob Sandre, Sal Cimino, Paul Loebach, Dan Bornais, "Alfonzo" Bauer, Dale Ziter, Tony Russo

THE RETURN OF AN ACS TRADITION

The students of Assumption are very excited to be working on the return of an ACS tradition - taking place on June 2, 2011. Students are working hard leading the organization and planning of an original **Fashion Show** that will take place in our gym and is open to the general public. We look forward to returning alumni coming out to support our students and to get a look, not only at the new season's wear but, at the up and comers of the fashion industry!

Although this may old tradition, it is style. As is usual there will be the and current exciting twist will "Indie" segments! showing the from various eras in including the (*please see large focus will be reflecting their own putting together wardrobe, their own design



be the come back of an happening with all new with all fashion shows standard "mall" stores season... however, the be the "Vintage" and Students will be evolution of fashions the past century, Assumption Uniform below*! Additionally, a placed on students independent style by outfits from their own participating stores and creations!

This event is a upcoming Fashion year (HNB 40), business elements purpose and clothing, textiles as construction. This opportunity for the building relationships with local entrepreneurs and designers to enhance the student learning experience. The Fashion Show will constitute a practical application of the students' learning.

This year, the Fashion Show promises to be an exceptional evening celebrating the talent, diversity and creativity that are synonymous with Assumption College Catholic High School.

*We are looking for **old/vintage ACS uniforms** to show the evolution over the years; if you would be willing to loan your uniform for the evening it would be greatly appreciated. Or, if you know where uniforms could be located, please contact **Brenda McIntyre, Social Science Teacher at 519-256-7801** for further details.

*For ticket information, donations, offers of assistance/clothing... or any other way you may like to participate, please contact **Brenda McIntyre, Social Science Teacher at 519-256-7801** for further details.



The Cool Dudes of 1975

Front Row: Jim Comuzzi, Paul Wayvon, Jeff Palazeti, Frank latonna, Mike Niziolek, Mark Glazewski, Geoff Deneau
Back Row: Dave Larsh, Jim Douglas, Peter Hill, Bruno Bertucci, Dave Reid , Duane Parent, Dan Reaume

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"Thank You"

To Assumption students for folding the newsletters and to Mrs. Pauline Kenney for labeling them.
Thank you also to Denis Malette for hand delivering newsletters to help cut down mailing costs.

Frank Montolio '49 : "It is now 61 years since I graduated from ACHS in 1949. The creed of teach me Goodness, Discipline, and Knowledge has never been more vivid to me than this past year. In January of 2010 our oldest child, Dr. Jeffrey Montolio was killed in a tragic automobile accident in Olathe, Kansas, where he lived with his wife and two children. Jeffrey received his education from Catholic schools from high school through college. He was a clinical psychologist practicing in Olathe, Ks. I will not go on with his pedigree except to say the qualities of life that I acquired from the Basilians at ACHS passed on to our son. While his life was short - he was 50 when he died - he touched the lives of so many. His particular practice was counselling families who suffered from abusive behaviour, both physical and sexual. I cannot begin to tell you the number of young people that came to my wife and me to thank us for having been counselled by our son. I believe sincerely that the lessons contained in the ACHS creed that I acquired at ACHS were passed on to our son. In his practice he was both stern and compassionate - lessons that were taught to me from the priests of the Basilian order. Oh, what a good job they did. I am forever grateful.

Frank Montolio Class of 1949 fmontolio@aol.com

Editor's Note: Frank wrote to us back in Nov. 2010 about trying to get in touch with alumni from 1945-1949. His response: "I am overwhelmed. I sent a letter to Rick at the alumni association asking if he would spread the word that I would like to be in touch with ACHS grads from my era (1949). In a very short time I have heard from all of you. Have no idea where this might go but thought it might be interesting to share some of our memories of our days in the hallowed halls of ACHS. About me. Born in 1931 in Detroit, entered ACHS in 1945 as a boarder (rug rat - as our day dogs referred to us), graduated in 1949. My brother Bill graduated in 1948. I married in 1957, had 2 children by 1961 and then moved to Massachusetts. I served in Korea (1952-1953), returned, got a BS from Wayne U. and from 1958 to 1961 was the assistant controller of the Detroit Red Wings. It was without a doubt, a job one dreams about. Gordie Howe, DelVecchio, Ullman, Kelly and many other big names were with the Wings at that time. I was married in 1957 and had 2 boys by 1961. At that time I decided to leave the Red Wings and move to a smaller town since Detroit was not the place where I wanted to raise a family. We moved to Leominster, Mass. (my wife was from this area) and we then had 2 more children, both girls. In January of 2010 our oldest son was killed in a tragic automobile accident in Kansas where he lived with his wife and 2 children. He was a clinical psychologist with his PhD and was at the peak of his

career. My wife Gloria and I have been married 53 years and have 8 grandchildren. My health has been good although I did have a 4-way bypass heart operation in Sept. 2009.

We now spend our winters in Florida. I do not have a ground telephone line in Florida but if any of you would be interested in a get-together please reach out through the internet. That is a short synopsis of my life since ACHS. Would love to hear something about each of you."



Cindy Soda '85 Mary-Joe Renaud '85

More memories -

Don Ouimet '48 writes: "Frank, I stand corrected, yes I remember you well now, we for some reason did not use our last name as I recall, everyone knew me as Frenchy or Don but I am sure they did not know Ouimet was my last name. You had quite a time after leaving ACHS and were smart in leaving Detroit to raise your family. Sorry about your son. We lost our son David three years ago, married with three kids and only 51 years old. He had a masters in Finance and his own business. I was moved to Ottawa by Ont. Hydro and never wanted to be moved again as our children were at the age that I felt would have been hurt by a move to find new friends etc and like you, I felt a smaller town like Ottawa was a lot better than a city like Toronto (Hydro main office was there) to raise kids. So here we are in our 80's near the other kids and grandchildren and enjoying it. Nice to hear from you Frank...Don or Frenchy or whatever.

Fred Smith '49 "Hi Frank, I sure do remember you. Yes we did wait on tables in the refractory. I was the lucky one who looked after the college students, and lost the job when I got into a fight with another waiter. I believe his name was Kelley. I did have a brother who did graduate and went on to college which was paid for by the Canadian navy. He mustered out of navy and became a reserve officer and eventually an admiral. He had 11 children but we lost him at age 72. Frank, you also had a brother who I played football with on the reserve team, however I can't remember his name. My career was pretty mixed. I wanted to become a mechanic but became unhappy with it after three years and went into sales with Heinz, you know, the ketchup people, that lasted 20 yrs but I had to get back to something mechanical. An opportunity

came up with a start-up crane company which went broke but by that time I had left and started up a company with a partner in 1979. We are still together and still friends and now we have our business up for sale. I married a wonderful lady in 1953 and lost her in 2007. We have eight children and 15 grandchildren, but like you, I lost a daughter...she was only 43 yrs. of age. You know Frank, it's something you will never get over but you will learn to live with...I know the pain. You mentioned Florida, where are you in Florida? Perhaps we can meet up. One incident I remember was at the end of the school year in 1949. We travelled to Ron Patent's in Cleveland. You had your dad's big Chrysler Windsor and the window fell out. What a surprise! As you can tell by my writing skills and computer skills, I am not very proficient at this but am learning. Regards, Fred Smith

PS. My company's name is Arva Industries Inc. You can look us up on the web.

Clem St. Louis, '50 Hello Rick: Don't know how to do this Facebook thing. I just kind of fell into it and only know how to answer messages like yours. I'm one of the dinosaurs from the ACHS class of '50. Sorry I didn't get to our 60th this last November. The weather here in SoCal was pretty rainy and I didn't think I would do too good roaming around Windsor. I have gotten together with some of the guys from '50 a couple of times in the 00s when I went to Detroit to visit some old boyhood friends in Wyandotte. Don't know if I will make it back in the future. Guess all our priests have passed on now with the passing of Fr Cullen. He was my flat master on the 4th flat in 49/50. Thanks for all your work with the Alumni Assoc. I really appreciate the semi-annual Alumni Newsletter. Back at ya in Goodness, Discipline and Knowledge.



Bill Sandre '85 - Rosario Wiewo '85
John Pecoraro '85

Kevin Hague '69 - I am married to wife Tina and have 3 children, Jennifer (Windsor), Rebecca (Casper, Wyoming) and Bradley (Toronto) and a step-daughter Leah (Hamilton). I also have 2 grand sons, Aaron and Jacob. I am a Chartered Accountant with the firm Popp Parete Russo LLP CAs in Windsor. I am past president of the Board at Community Living Windsor. I am also a director with Windsor Family Credit Union.

Although Fr. Ron was not at Assumption during my time at Assumption (1941-1945), I was privileged to know him later through his founding of the Alumni and the Alumni chatter. During many return trips to Assumption to visit Fr. Armstrong, I was introduced to Fr. Ron and found him to be a dedicated teacher and molder of men, much like "Army". Over the years we became close and enjoyed many visits, at the school and in our home. The world is a better place for having had Fr. Ron in it.

Pat Norton, 1945

Fr. Cullen was very instrumental in guiding my troubled youth. He got me off the streets of S.W. Detroit and had me get involved in his sports programs from 1954 to 1958 and it completely turned my life around. His mentoring as an athlete has made me successful in life. R.I.P. "Clancy".

Butch Ryan, 1957

Father Cullen was my coach and mentor. I owe everything to his guidance and direction. There will be only one "Clancy"; he will always be in my memories. God bless him.

**Judge E. Thomas Fitzgerald
Michigan Court of Appeals
ACH Grad 1958**

The Assumption Alumni Newsletter arrived on my desk today and I was devastated to learn of the passing of Fr. Cullen. I was moved to see that so many people remembered the greatness of Fr. Cullen as a leader, a teacher, a coach and a motivator. One other aspect of Fr. Cullen that touched me deeply was the role he played as dean at the boys' residence at Assumption College School. I was there between 1970 and 1972. On the outside he was tough and stern, but on the inside he was kind and gentle. He taught me discipline that I will be using for the rest of my life. All, especially me, will miss him.

A scholarship was created three years ago in his name so that he will be remembered by the "people of Assumption" (an old tune that still lingers in my mind).

Dr. Sidney Siu, 1971

I wish to acknowledge the profound effect Father Cullen had on my life from age twelve to this ripe, but active age of sixty-nine. At the very young age of 12, I was introduced to Father Cullen on the old campus baseball field at the corner of Wyandotte and Huron Church. Little did I know how that meeting would shape the rest of my life. At the end of the meeting or baseball practice, I was now a member of a select group of young men who embarked on a journey that included not only the fundamentals of baseball, but more importantly, the fundamentals necessary to be a success in all one's life long endeavours. In my case, it was baseball, teaching, coaching, and with the more able assistance of a loving and understanding wife, raising two lovely daughters.

His faith in me, gave me the faith in myself. He made me realize the elements of success: a passion for what you choose to do, a good attitude, a strong work ethic and a commitment to that choice.

For what you did for me and for many others like me, I will be forever thankful. And as you had always kept me in your prayers, so will I keep you and many others in mine. Thank you Father Cullen.

John Upham, 1959

Father Cullen was a great coach, friend, mentor and inspirational in both mine and John' life. He taught us skills in the rink and on the baseball diamond but most importantly he taught us life lessons. Thank you for the many memories Father Cullen.

Joe Ivan, 1976

Father Ron Cullen, My Drinking Buddy!

I never had Father Cullen as a Coach or Teacher. Sure, he was a larger than life figure in the 70's when I was at Assumption, but I was a runner and a keen history student, so our paths never crossed.

My first real encounter was when I tagged along with other Assumption Alumni to visit him in his retirement residence in Toronto, in 2008. He was almost blind at the time. Then, at my 35th reunion (2009), I learned that he and the other retired Priests had been temporarily relocated to a Convent minutes from my home. So began my Tuesday visits with Father Ron, as he was known to those in Toronto.

Our time together was spent swapping stories and listening to old musicals. The stories covered everything from his childhood, (he went to grade school with my Uncle; who knew??) all the way through his teaching and coaching years and to his years in the Alumni office. He loved old musicals and had quite a large tape collection of them. He had seen them all and could describe all the scenes in great detail. The Blue Jays (yes, the Jays) were his favourite ball team and with the help of a simple AM radio, he never missed a game. He never spoke of his numerous accomplishments; it was always about this student or that team. However, he did let it slip that there was a baseball field in Ojibway Park named after him.

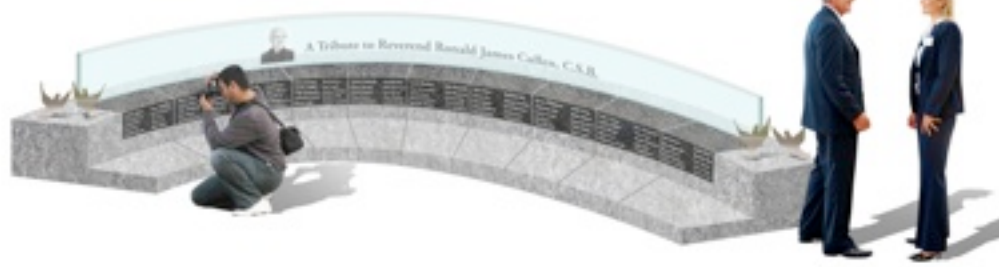
Never far from his bed side was a clipboard with pages of neatly typed names and phone numbers. Before I left him after each visit, he would ask me to dial a number for him. At first, I assumed this was his way of keeping in touch with the many students and friends he had accumulated during his 60 plus years as a Priest. But it was much more than that.

Many will know of Father Ron's message of 'Purpose' in life. What was it that God wants you to do? In his role as coach and teacher, he helped countless students discover their purpose. As time went on, I came to realize that, even in retirement, though bed ridden and blind, he was still reaching out to the people on his list and encouraging them in their journey toward their purpose. I am convinced that this is what God's purpose was for Father Ron Cullen.

Drinking Buddy? Father enjoyed a sherry called Harvey's Bristol Cream. It was my job to keep his "stash" stocked up. We would enjoy a glass or two or three during my visits. I guess we were having a bit too much fun because we got in trouble with the "higher ups". This amused Father to no end.

This past January, some good friends from my Assumption days came to our home in Toronto for a weekend visit. We drank a bottle of "Harvey's" in Father's honour. He would have liked that.

John Ashworth, 1974



Fr. Cullen and his drinking buddies

JOHN LUMA '65 PAYS TRIBUTE TO FR. RON CULLEN

"Hey Luma, get over here!" A big voice cut through the late afternoon breeze out on the field behind Assumption's new rec center. I turned to see a dark figure waving and walking my way. Uh-oh, I thought. It's Father Cullen. What'd I do now? I left my touch football game and ran toward him, all 5 feet 6 inches of my sophomore manliness convinced I had committed some grave ACH sin. Anyone who knew Fr. Cullen's special gift for making his warmest smile and icy grimace look exactly the same can remember the alarm it could evoke. I huffed up and he grabbed my shoulder hard. "John, listen, you're gonna do something for me now." Yep, there it was, the punishment just a blink away from his cleverly disguised set-up. "I want you to write for the school paper. So report there tomorrow and get started. You've got the imagination to help out and it'll also develop your skills. No choice, John, just jump in."

Whew! Okay, I thought, that sounds intriguing. I was a new student and just getting to know the enigmatic Father C. and his vast repertoire of teaching methods. "Sure, sure, thanks Father," I said nodding, "I'll be there." And back I ran to my football game, and into a new future that transformed my uncertain teen years into a time of growing self-confidence and belated academic success. So today I say to you, Father Cullen, thank you. I never told you how much your humane leadership helped me. Simply put, your warm fatherly direction saved my emotional and academic life. More than anyone, you let me know every day you believed in me and my yearning, reckless young heart...100 percent. You gave me the rare spotlight in English class to stand and read my bombastic sentences out loud for all to share. One night you also chased us boarders out of the TV room when one of the sexy '60s TV Go-Go dance shows didn't quite match your moral standards. Memories of your endless influences still live large.

Without a doubt the "Father Cullen student" is always better prepared to know the lasting difference between just showing up in life, and striving to make a big positive impact in our moral, personal and public lives. This legendary Basilian made the ACH values of "Goodness, Discipline and Knowledge" not just a goal but also a stirring badge of honor. So, Father Cullen, as you oversee us now in the timeless embrace and beauty of God, I again say for everyone who felt your own special embrace..."Thank You" ... for your masterful teaching at Assumption High and your selfless commitment to us all. I will not miss you -- because you will remain pulsing in my heart and soul forever.

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The following is a reflection on Fr. Cullen's Life delivered by Lil Dumouchelle '75, at the memorial mass on Oct. 18th, 2010.

Purpose - What is your purpose in life? Do you know? Fr. Cullen knew **his** purpose. How did he come to know this?

He would say that God revealed it to him when he was willing to listen. We are so caught up in our everyday lives that we don't have time or we don't make time to listen to God. But He will reveal it to you and that's what Fr. Ron tried to counsel each and every one of us during his life of service. Pray.... reflect.... listen.... and be patient ... some of us more patient than others. God will reveal it all and your life will be so much less stressful and more fulfilling. We all know of Fr. Ron's many accomplishments, especially in athletics. He was a respected coach... a great mentor.... one who pushed athletes to do their best, challenged them to the fullest, etc. Why? Did he do this because he was only interested in the win? Maybe, but if that's so, why would he bench the best player at times? To be mean? Oh, he could be mean. But maybe he wanted them to reflect on their greater purpose ... possibly to push them to see what they were capable of accomplishing when they themselves did not know. Fr. Ron would say, 'That's what God wants me to do - it's the life lessons that are important', and all of us here are the richer for this. He stressed the importance of becoming an independent, responsible and accountable person ... one who would lead a productive and

meaningful life in the service of God. Sometimes it meant dishing out some tough love, hard to take at the time but certainly appreciated in the long run as so many of you have recounted at our reunions and in the alumni newsletter.

That tough love wasn't just on the ice rink or on the baseball field. It was also dished out in the classroom. Any of you have your English essay thrown back at you and told, "Do it over. You can do better!?" He wanted us to succeed, stretch our limits. He had the confidence and faith in us that we didn't know we had. We may not have appreciated his tactics THEN, but now as adults we realize the wisdom of his ways. A couple of years ago at the Lancers' fundraiser in which Fr. Cullen was honoured, we heard from many of Fr. Ron's admirers and all of them accredited **him** with the success of their lives and careers, of how Fr. Ron gave meaning to their lives. And yet, Fr. Ron replied humbly, "It wasn't me, it was God's plan. I was merely his instrument."

How many of you have read this book, 'A Purpose Driven Life' because Fr. Ron suggested it? He advised you to read it because he wanted you to pray and reflect so that you also could know what God had planned for you. Isn't that what we all want... to know our purpose here on this earth? When anyone called Fr. Ron at Anglin House, he wanted to hear any update on family members, how each was coping with life and so on. He was genuinely interested in how each of us was responding to God's call. As Fr. Ron's overall health diminished, he would often comment that he was ready to go to God and leave this earthly life. Many would remind him, "God's not finished with you yet. You need to get through to a few more of us." And he would laugh. "Yeah, you're right. I guess I better listen." Listen, and you will know and you also will be so much happier for it!

Fr. Ron accomplished many things.....some will say that he left us a legacy of unsurpassed coaching and mentoring..... of establishing and fortifying a high school alumni association envied by many others. I say he left us with the hope of finding our purpose in life as servants of God. He knew **his** purpose and embraced it, and we are the benefactors of it. Fr. Ron has earned his heavenly eternal rest. Let's hope we can all enjoy the same someday.

Happy heavenly birthday to Fr. Ron, a man of many sides. Some of you may only have known the stern, tough exterior that Fr. Ron showed often - you know, the one that puts you in your place with that one look (the stun stare as we call it). Some were lucky and privileged to see another side of him... the soft-hearted, humble servant of God... still sharp as a tack until the end and still sporting that wicked sense of humour.

To the very end Fr. Ron counseled people on the phone or in person when they visited him at Anglin House. He was a man that knew the meaning of a life of service, who encouraged all of us to "nurture and celebrate our gifts and talents, to grow in the service of others and to develop our relationship with God". He would be very pleased to know that this is in our mission statement at Assumption High, which is recited every school day.

One of my fondest memories of Fr. Ron's soft side is of his special bond with Fr. Armstrong, especially near the end when Fr. Army needed assistance with things. Fr. Ron would help Army get to the chapel and celebrate his daily mass with him. I'm sure Fr. Ron and Army are already making their picks on who's going to win the world series. They'll just be watching from much higher box seats! Or they're starting up their own heavenly teams and arguing who's going to play hockey, baseball, football, basketball etc.

Fr. Ron has competed well, he has finished the race, he has not only kept the faith but shared and expanded it. He has accomplished his purpose. And now, Fr. Ron is finally home. Let us celebrate his life and continue his legacy by making sure we carry out **our** purpose!



(left to right) -
 Dr. Allan Conway (Dean of Odette School Of Business)
 Norman Nehmetallah, Katelyn Meloche, Daniella Pallisco,
 Jeremy Bracken (Teacher/Coach), Jonathan Nehmetallah (Coach)

THERE'S NO DEBATING IT!

ASSUMPTION'S DEBATE TEAM IS #1

The domination continues! The Debate Team from Assumption College Catholic High School (International Baccalaureate World School) took part in the Richard Peddie High School Debate Invitational at the University of Windsor. Twice a year the University of Windsor's Odette School of Business hosts teams from across Windsor and Essex County. The teams engage in debate, practise their presentation skills as well as their argumentation and critical reasoning capacities. The Assumption Raiders absolutely dominated the team and individual awards, once again proving why they're the top debate team in Southwestern Ontario. Daniella Pallisco, Norman Nehmetallah and Kaitlyn Meloche delivered four rounds of undefeated debates on their way to winning first place overall! The Grade 12 squad of Sarah Harrison, Warren Pawlikowski, Dominic Pizzolitto and Alex Tesolin also took home hardware with their 2nd place finish (open). Of the 35 teams and 140 debaters, two of the Raiders took home individual honours. Josh St. Denis won 'Best Rebuttal' and Norman Nehmetallah secured the very prestigious "Best Presenter" honour.

Our junior teams were also fantastic. They scored many victories against senior teams from other schools which helped our older teams separate from the pack. It was truly and amazing effort by all who took part!

WRESTLING- The OFSAA wrestling championships were held in Sudbury the first week of March giving three of our Assumption wrestlers a chance to take home a medal from one of the largest high school sporting events in Canada. Jeff Cator experienced his first OFSAA and found that it is very tough. Jeff faced the eventual gold medalist in the first round ... wrestling well, but coming up short. Victor Drew also experienced his first OFSAA competition and went 4 and 2 finishing in the top 12, with a rib injury. Ryan O'Neill wrestled very well with a record of 5 and 2, eventually finishing 7th overall. Ryan showed that hard work makes you one of the best in Ontario. Congratulations to all three of the competitors and good luck to Ryan who is graduating this year.

PHYSICS COMPETITION- Honorable mention goes to the Assumption physics team - Francis Padilla, Trevor Thomson, Warren Pawlikowski and Weijia Lu - who placed 4th out of 20 in the high school design competition held at the U of W in early March 2011.

They achieved a score of 77 trailing only 2 teams from Amherst and the winners, Riverside, who posted a score of 87. These quick-thinking young men were able to construct a small scale 4 wheel vehicle that was able to move along an almost vertical incline in very little time, using miscellaneous and slightly defective materials. To their credit the boys persevered and almost won the competition altogether with a last minute innovation but time had already expired. Nevertheless, these gifted 'engineers in training' achieved a noteworthy result.

SWIMMING — In early March, eight Assumption swimmers were in Etobicoke to take part in the OFSAA swim championships. The top "Raider" was Avery Dent with a 6th place finish in the Jr Girls Breaststroke. In addition to her outstanding individual performance, Avery teamed up with Samantha DesRosiers, Micayla Pella and Leslie Ventimiglia where they also qualified for the "A" final in which they finished 8th. Other notable performances were turned in by Gabrielle Malette (12th in the SR Butterfly) and the Open Girls Medley team of Bella Malette, Avery Dent , Stephanie Coppens and Denilea Bueno who barely missed making the "B" final and finished in 18th.

Coach Miss Hebert (class of '81) would like to thank all of the swimmers who put in so much time and hard work this season and made it such a great success. Miss H wants you to know that she is extremely proud of all of you and she would also like to say ... a very special thank you goes out to Senior Gabrielle Malette for her enthusiasm, dedication and leadership.

PUBLIC SPEAKING — On Monday March 7, 2011 the Optimist Club had it's 2nd annual public speaking contest. Two students from Assumption entered and both did a fantastic job!!

The Gold Medal was awarded to Laura Limarzi (daughter of Bruno Limarzi '72) for her talk on children's rights. She has now qualified for a regional competition. Marissa Bumanlag was the youngest contestant in the competition and also received rave reviews from the judges.

Well done ladies!



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A TRUE TEST OF A MARRIAGE? YOU BET!
 Thank You To All Who Contribute To Make This Newsletter Possible



VENTRELLA, Michael Joseph '81 passed away on November 18, 2010 in the presence of his adoring family at the age of 47. Michael was a warrior and fought a very hard and courageous battle, his strength and determination will

forever live on in the hearts of his family. Loving soulmate of Helena (nee Racovitis). Proud dad to Kiara, Frank and Ariana. Beloved son of Frank & Rosemary Ventrella and grandson of the late Michael & Maria Ventrella (Italy) and Erminio & Assunta Corra. Loved brother of Lisa & Joe Lucente, Christina & Davide Petretta. Son-in-law of Thom & Marilyn Racovitis. Brother-in-law Niall & Kristen Cullen and Kirel Racovitis. Loving nephew of David & Madeline (Nana) Gaspar, Frank and the late DeeDee Corra, Mario Corra, Johnny & Bianca Ventrella, Joe & Mary Ventrella and many cousins. Michael will be remembered by his nieces and nephews Joey, Luka & Max Lucente, Mia & Vienna Petretta, Aidan Declan & Taryn Cullen, Ashton Racovitis Mike has left a very strong Blueprint for his 3 amazing kids. Mike was a well respected businessman, owner & operator of Saturn Tool & Die. He was a much loved coach and mentor for the LaSalle Stompers '96 Girls Soccer Team.

MONFORTON, Orval '53

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of a dear husband, father and brother on August 15, 2010 at the age of 74. Beloved husband of Mignonne (Migs) Evon. Many nieces, nephews and cousins will sadly miss him. Orv was an

avid Detroit Tiger and

Montreal Canadian fan. Orv was Department Head of Math at Forster and Walkerville Collegiate. In his retirement he was a volunteer at Windsor Western Hospital (Nevada tickets). He was a caring, quiet and gentle person.



FULOP, Sasha '94 (nee Rivard) Peacefully, on November 21, 2010, at the age of 33, surrounded by her loving family and friends. Cherished wife and soulmate of Attila for 5 years. Beloved daughter of Ronald and

Theresa Rivard and daughter-in-law of Jozsef Fulop and Eva Cadar. Sasha will always be fondly remembered by many aunts, uncles, cousins, god children and friends. If you so desire, donations to the Windsor Essex Cardiac Wellness Centre Windsor Regional Hospital would be appreciated by the family.

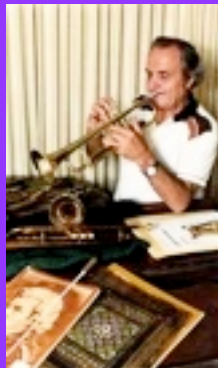


JOHNSTON, Gordon Paul '82 welcomed into the arms of Jesus on February 4, 2011, at the age of 46 years. Beloved best friend and dear husband of Bernadette (nee Masse '82) for 25 years. Loving and devoted father of Breelyn, Shantel, Michael, and Keiana. Cherished son to Gordon and Mary Anne Johnston. Dear brother of Mary Ann (Marty), Donna (Rene), Judy (Joe), Brad, Bridget (Joe). Dear son-in-law to Marie and Leo Masse. Dear brother-in-law to Louie (Cindy), Michael (Erin) and Anthony.

NICOL, John '41, passed away peacefully with his family by his side on December 5, 2010 at 88 years of age. Devoted husband and sweetheart of Mary Virginia (nee Cronin), with whom he celebrated 58 years of wonderful



married life. Loving father of John Jr. '71, (Nancy) of Fonthill, Ontario, Ann Dahlinger '74, Thomas '77 (Patricia) of Naples, Florida, Kean '80, and Mary Lynne '81 (William) Leddy. Cherished granddad to eleven grandchildren, John and Michael Dahlinger, Meaghan and Devin Nicol, Joshua, Jeffery and McKenzie Nicol, Gillian Moore-Nicol and Lyndsey, Trent and Shannon Leddy. Jack was educated at Assumption College and the University of Detroit. He was an employee of Hiram Walker and Sons Ltd. for 41 years. While with Hiram Walker Jack was very active with United Way, acting as a Loaned Representative. For many years he served on the board of Glengarda School and was a past board member of the Windsor Regional Hospital. He was a member of the Essex Golf and Country Club and enjoyed a good game of golf. Jack had a passion for Duplicate Bridge. He was a life member of the Knights of Columbus #4386.



James "Jimmie" Tamburini, founder of the Windsor Community Orchestra and a legendary teacher in this city, died in Florida on Feb. 13 at the age of 93. The American-born Tamburini was first trumpet of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra under Paul Paray for 22 years until 1966. But he is remembered on this side of the Detroit River as an educator and conductor. While conducting the Assumption high school band in the 1960s, then later on the music faculty at the University of Windsor, Tamburini taught several musicians who went on to professional careers. "I feel an acute sense of loss," said Gregory Butler, retired director of the University of Windsor's school of music. "Jimmie was the reason I came to Windsor in 1974. He was truly a remarkable man, who loved life and loved to make music." Butler, a pianist, performed with Tamburini several times when he conducted orchestras in Windsor and Detroit. But his real talent was as a teacher: "He was a piper. The students loved him and would do anything for him." Bob Fazecash, a former student and Windsor Symphony trumpeter, praised Tamburini's musical knowledge. "He was such an outstanding musician, even string players would ask him for advice." During the 1950s and 1960s, Tamburini was also chosen to perform at New York City's Radio City Music Hall with the prestigious NBC Symphony under Arturo Toscanini. "While Tamburini was there," Grossutti said, "the NBC Orchestra was regarded as the best in the world." He formed the Windsor Community Orchestra in 1984 as a way of encouraging former musicians to take up their instruments again.



McMAHON, Mr. Justice Joseph Peter, '43. It is with profound sadness that the family announces the passing of our beloved father Joseph Peter McMahon at Chartwell Oak Park LaSalle on Tuesday August 3, 2010 with his family at his side. Born in Windsor Ontario on October 20, 1925. Pre-deceased by his wife Marie Jeanne (Pender) 1991. Survived by his 10 children: Mary Ellen Delnea, James and wife Shannon McMahon, Peter and wife Carolyn (Butzer) McMahon, David and wife Dawn McMahon, Anne Marie Leavitt and husband Wayne, Cathy Lussier, Jeanne Marie LaRocque and husband Steve, Thomas and wife Cindy McMahon, Frank and wife Maryanne McMahon, and Patricia Berthiaume and husband Jerry. Dearly loved by his 22 grandchildren, Bryan (Edith) and Michael Delnea, Joal (Karina), Erin and Kelly McMahon, Sarah and Jenna McMahon, Maureen and Jaclyn McMahon, Lauren and Jaime Leavitt, John, Stephen and Kathleen Lussier, Joshua, James and Jillian McMahon, Adam and Matthew McMahon, and Marc, Dylan and Renee Berthiaume. Also one great-grandson, Leo Delnea.

Survived by his beloved brother George McMahon and wife Dorothy and dearest sister-in-law Marie Julienne Fox and husband Charles and many nieces and nephews. Pre-deceased by son-in-law John Bitonti and grandson Patrick McMahon, parents Thomas Coyle and Mary Margaret McMahon; sister Catherine McKeown and husband Bernard; brother Thomas McMahon and wife Elizabeth and sister-in-law Elaine McMahon, mother and father-in-law James and Gladys Pender, brother-in-law Raymond Pender and wife Evelyn, and sister-in-law Madelyn Morneau and husband Laurence. Mr. Justice McMahon served in the Army and the Air Force in WWII. Upon graduation from Assumption College he attended Osgoode Law School in Toronto and was called to the Bar in June 1951. He practiced law in Windsor, specializing in general and municipal law and was appointed Queens' Counsel in 1964. In 1965 he was appointed a Magistrate to the Provincial Court. In 1983 he was appointed a local Judge of the High Court of Justice for Ontario, and in 1991 was appointed Judge of the Ontario Court of Justice and Judge Ex Officio of the Court of Appeals of Ontario. He lectured at the Law School of the University Of Windsor and later served as a member of the Board of Governors for the University. He was Chairman of the Windsor Police Commission for many years. As an Executive of the Essex-Kent Law Association he was integral in the formation of provincial Legal Aid. He was a past president of the Windsor Club and a life long active member of St. Anne's Church in Walkerville. Special thanks to all the staff at Oak Park LaSalle for all the support and care you gave to our father, especially Dr. Greenaway, Julie Curtis and Marlene Vermette. Also thanks to CCAC and Bayshore for all their care and concern.



DUROCHER, John '84 passed away courageously, with his family by his side, on September 7, 2010 at 44 years of age. Beloved husband of 15 years to Silvana (nee Tridico). Adored and loved father of

Lauren and Sophie. Cherished son of Leon "Digger" and Jackie Durocher. Loving brother and best friend of Jeffery and Colene, and Joel and Ramona. Dear son-in-law of Agostino and Adele Tridico. Loving brother-in-law of Frank and Jackie, and Grace and Wayne Starks. Dear uncle of Adalena, Austin, Ariana, Maryssa, Alyssa, Conner, and Erica. John was very dedicated to his daughters, family, and friends. He had a love for life, sports and his profession. John was originally from Windsor and spent most of his working years in Toronto. If you so desire, donations to an Educational Trust Fund for his children (cheques made payable to Silvana Durocher) or to the Kidney Foundation of Canada would be appreciated by the family. Interment at Heavenly Rest Cemetery.



Rev. James ENRIGHT: Priest was teacher, coach, role model at Catholic Central

By JOE ROSSITER Free Press Staff Writer

The Rev. James Enright handled a variety of tasks during his long and storied association with Detroit Catholic Central High School. In addition to being a theology and English teacher, he coached the varsity hockey squad and the freshman and reserve baseball teams, headed the school newspaper and publicity staff and frequently chauffeured the school bus for school activities. A member of the Basilian order for nearly 60 years, the Rev. Enright taught at the all-boys school for more than half that period. He died in his sleep of natural causes Dec. 20 at Anglin House in Toronto. He was 86. "Father Enright was a dedicated teacher, a devoted priest and a great example to the many thousands of young men he mentored through the years," said the Rev. Richard Elmer, the former school principal and past president at Catholic Central. The Rev. Enright became the hockey coach in 1948 -- a year after arriving at Catholic Central -- and was instrumental in founding what is now the Metro High School Hockey League. He guided Catholic Central to hockey state championships in 1959, 1961 and 1968. Former team members

fondly recalled trips to Windsor aboard the school bus affectionately referred to as the Blue Goose. While in Canada, the Rev. Enright frequently stocked up on boxes of Macintosh toffee, which he sold to students to help pay for hockey equipment and expensive ice time at area arenas. "The founding principles of C. C. are goodness, discipline and knowledge, and I don't know of anybody who embodied them better than Father Enright," said Steve Wall, a former manager on the hockey team and a 1962 graduate. "He touched the lives of the students in ways that no other could, and he was my hero." Nicknamed Punch after former Toronto Maple Leafs coach Punch Imlach, the Rev. Enright was a member of the school's Athletic Hall of Fame, the Catholic League Hall of Fame and the Michigan Hockey Hall of Fame. He left Catholic Central in 1981 to teach at St. Michael's College School in Toronto. After retiring from teaching in 1996, he assumed an administrative post there.

A memorial mass was celebrated at Catholic Central High School in Novi.



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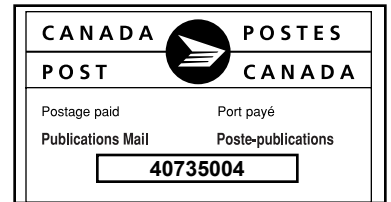
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