

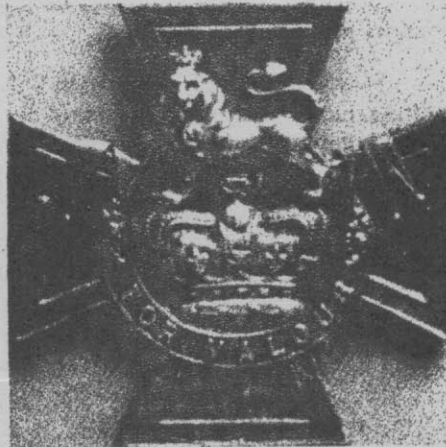


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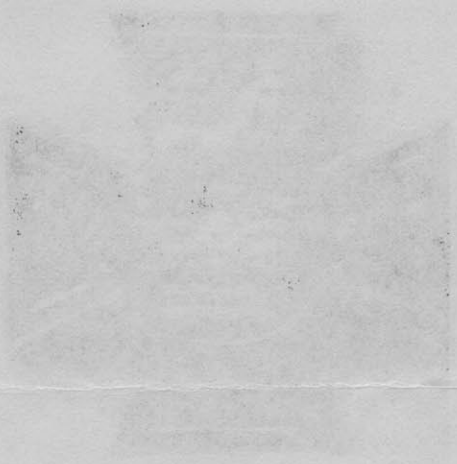


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On Friday, November 7th, a special assembly was held at Lisgar Collegiate to present a plaque in memory of a former graduate, Sergeant Edward Holland, V.C., of the Royal Canadian Dragoons. Sergeant Holland was awarded the Victoria Cross for conspicuous bravery in action during the Boer War, at Leliefontein, Komati River, South Africa, on November 7th, 1900.

In order that this assembly might be more meaningful for the students, we arranged to have a person on stage dressed in a military uniform similar to that worn by Sergeant Holland. We wish to thank Mr. Robert Anglin, a member of the Museum of Applied Military History, for his assistance in this matter.

Mr. Glavin, Principal of Lisgar Collegiate, extended a warm welcome to all our guests. Among those seated on the stage were: Brigadier-General G.G. Bell, Colonel of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, Lt. Colonel D.A. Henderson, Mr. Edward Holland and Mrs. Judy Kahn, the grandson and grand-daughter of Major Holland. Other special guests in the audience included several retired Lisgar teachers.

As November 7th, or Leliefontein Day is a special day for all Dragoons throughout the world, we were delighted to have in attendance several officers, of whom two were former Lisgar students - Ted Day and Jim Soame.

The two co-presidents of Lisgar Collegiate read a biography of Major Edward Holland which was prepared by Mr. Sydney Bateman, a former Lisgar head-boy (1944). It was his researches and initiative that persuaded the Alumni Association to proceed with this memorial tribute.

We were most fortunate to have Brigadier-General Bell, M.B.E., C.D., Colonel of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, present to address us on this important occasion. Dr. Bell complimented the Alumni Association for undertaking this memorial presentation in honour of Sergeant Holland. He pointed out to the students the importance of remembering with pride the achievements of the past. However, as he said, it is not enough only to remember, we have also to use our initiative and efforts to secure peace in the present and for the future. Dr. Bell reminded the students of the great number of young Canadians serving in Canada's Armed Forces in different parts of the world, and of the importance of their contribution in the maintenance of peace. "The Price of freedom is eternal vigilance".

Mrs. Kathy Ullrich, a member of the executive of the Alumni Association presented the memorial plaque to Mr. Glavin to accept on behalf of the school. It will be placed in the Memorial Hall of Lisgar Collegiate.

Mr. Edward Holland, on behalf of his sister and himself expressed their deep appreciation for this tribute to their grandfather.

At the conclusion of the assembly, the guests were invited to join the Alumni Association for a light luncheon at the H.M.C.S. Bytown Naval Officers' Mess.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Many members have experienced some confusion over the difference between the ALUMNI ASSOCIATION and the LISGAR FUND.

The Lisgar Fund was established by a group of parents, teachers and alumni members who wished to create an opportunity for interested supporters of Lisgar to donate funds for the betterment of the school, and to receive in return an income tax receipt.

The Alumni Association does not have an income tax number, so it cannot give a receipt for donations made to it. However, the Association has recently made an arrangement with the Lisgar Fund which will permit any member who wishes to make a donation to the Association to do so and to receive a receipt for income tax deduction purposes.

We have therefore redesigned our Remittance Form which you will find on page #6. All donations above the \$5.00 membership fee will be receipted.

A special thank you to the following people who have made generous donations since our last newsletter:

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J. WRIGHT NEIL SCHOLARSHIP

Last June, Mrs. Etta Neil arranged to have a scholarship established at Lisgar Collegiate Institute in memory of her late husband, J. Wright Neil, who was a staff member of Lisgar Collegiate from 1939-72. During this time, he served as a teacher from 1939-51, as Vice-Principal from 1951-60, and Principal from 1960-72.

This Scholarship, which has value of approximately five hundred dollars, is to be awarded annually, and will be self-perpetuating.

It is to be awarded to the Lisgar Collegiate student who in his/her final year fulfills most suitably the following conditions:

- 1) the student must have shown leadership qualities in extra-curricular activities and made an outstanding contribution to the life of the school.
- 2) the student must have maintained high scholastic standing in his/her final year.
- 3) students who are recipients of major university scholarships will not be considered eligible for this award.

We were pleased that Mrs. Neil was able to be present at Lisgar Collegiate Commencement Exercises on November 1st to make the presentation to the first recipient of the J. Wright Neil Scholarship, Colin Gray. Colin was also selected to be the valedictorian for the Commencement.

ITEMS OF INTEREST RE FORMER STUDENTS

Dr. M. Carman Pettapiece (Lisgar 1923-26) has been the Medical Officer for the Maine Wing USAF - Civil Air Patrol (rank Lt. Col.) for 45 years. In 1958, Dr. Pettapiece was physician to 25 Maine Citizens travelling to Alaska to welcome it into the union. A subsequent excursion took place in 1984 when Dr. Pettapiece and six of the original 25 Maine citizens returned to celebrate Alaska's 25th Anniversary of Statehood.

Dr. Pettapiece was recently presented the Frederick G. Payne Memorial Award, the highest honor bestowed on a state volunteer. Carmen was honored for his work with the American Cancer Society in the Maine Division.

Anne (Heggtveit) Hamilton, (Lisgar 1952-57) writes from Grand Isle, Vermont, regarding her recent return to University as a part-time student:
"What really spurred me on was the last Lisgar Reunion. It was the cohesive ingredient needed to cement my plans. The old friends and colleagues were an inspiration for me. I realized that seeking a degree was something I had always wanted to do and that if I were to do it, I had better get busy! Hopefully, by the next reunion I will have my BBA with a double minor in modern languages and accounting".

Brenda Beal, daughter of Ted and Ruth (Todd) Beal, (Lisgar 1941-47) was one of 25 young people from across Canada who attended World Congress of Education and Technology at Expo in Vancouver last May. She was representing Ontario Public School Trustees Association.

Mary (Malmberg) Hill, (Lisgar 1955-59) recently president of Ottawa Public School Teachers' Federation, previously a teacher with the Carleton Board of Education, has just accepted a position with the Ministry of Education in Toronto

From David and Joan Sugrue in Nepean, Ontario:

"We received our newsletter in today's mail and I am hurrying to send off our Alumni membership fees by return. Both David and I thoroughly enjoyed reading this issue and in particular, the letters from Miss Marion Meech and Miss Dorothy Bishop, - both remembered with warm memories.

Just last Saturday, David and I celebrated our 34th wedding anniversary - and of course, that always is a time for reminiscing! This long relationship began in Grade 9 at Lisgar during the last year of World War II, (no reflection intended!) and we endured much good natured teasing and grins from the likes of Mr. Wright Neil and Mr. Eric Nichols. To this day, we are surrounded by former Lisgarites, some who knew us 'when' and others more recent acquaintances, - in the form of good friends, neighbours, colleagues at work, church and even relatives! So Lisgar is an ever-present force in our lives. I wish our children had had the opportunity of attending their parents' alma mater, but living in Nepean, their high school years were spent at schools here. (Schools which always paled by comparison to OURS). They did get to accompany us to both the 125th anniversary and the 140th anniversary celebrations, and they were favourably impressed. They really loved the old rifle range in the 'belfry' and the presence of "character" that Lisgar had in abundance and which their modern, sterile buildings lacked!

Members of Knox Presbyterian Church, at the corner of Lisgar and Elgin; we have the opportunity of at least glancing down the street each Sunday to make sure L.C.I. still stands guarding the Driveway entrance! With that knowledge secured, we proceed on our way, knowing that all's right with the world.

Keep up the excellent work with your projects and keeping the Alumni informed so well!"

CURRENT EVENTS AT LISGAR COLLEGIATE

Last fall, Mr. Hursti told the band that we had been invited to play in Wolfville, Nova Scotia. Of course, we wanted to go and soon the music room was turned into first a meat market and then a citrus fruit store in efforts to raise money.

As we boarded the train in April, we were all set for a nice, relaxing trip to the Annapolis Valley. After a day of travelling we were all glad to finally crawl into bed that night.

The next morning we started a week of non-stop activities. We toured the local Grand-Pré National Historic park, a Hostess chip plant, and visited the Mermaid Theatre, where we saw the making of puppets and marionettes. We used the gym and pool at Acadia after tasting our first university food and touring the building. We learned how maps were made, and saw the Tidal Power Plant on the Bay of Fundy. One day we went in to Halifax and toured the Citadel. Afterwards we were set loose in the city for a few hours, and then we were off to Peggy's Cove for a chilly climb on the rocks. On our last night in Wolfville, we had a banquet and dance in the Old Orchard Inn.

Then we were back on the train - this time armed with water guns and decks of cards to keep us busy. In the morning the train bathrooms were occupied for hours as more than 50 teenagers lined up (behind Mr. Petrie, Mr. Morrison and the Hurstis) for a chance to spruce up a bit before arriving in Ottawa.

A few days later it was our billets' turn to travel, only an hour on the plane and they were here; ready to walk the Rideau Canal, shop in the market, and give a concert on Parliament Hill.

At the end of the week, everyone had made new friends - our addresses were exchanged and promises were made to write. We all had a good time, and are looking forward to our next adventure with the band. Many thanks to Mr. Hursti and all those who helped with the trip.
(Jeni O'Brien)

AUDIO & VISUAL AIDS CLUB

The A.V.A. Club raised \$1,800. to purchase an audio mixer for the Auditorium as well as a mirror ball and additional lighting equipment for use at school dances. This club has provided sound and/or lighting services for many events, including assemblies, Lisgar Dance Night, Music Night, the Fashion Show, Carnival Day, the slave auctions, World Food Day, and the Lisgar production of "The Dining Room", for which the club also constructed the set. Some events were even video-taped!

Mr. Neil Petrie, club head, would like to extend his thanks to club members (Chris O'Brien and Steve Waller in particular) for running the audio-visual department while he accompanied the school band to the Maritimes.

WASHINGTON TRIP (HISTORY DEPT.)

In early May, the Lisgar History Department ran their traditional trip to Washington, D.C., a tour made up this year of thirty-five senior students and three teachers.

The first stop was in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania where the participants experienced a dramatic presentation by "Abraham Lincoln" and later a full tour of the battlefield and museum.

After arriving in Washington, the group was bussed to many of the most important highlights, including the National Cathedral, the Lincoln Memorial, the Jefferson Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery, the Capitol, the White House, the Library of Congress and the National Art Gallery. Most of one day was set aside for everyone to experience some of the Smithsonian exhibits and we also saw "Guys and Dolls" at a dinner theatre.

All in all, it was a very successful event. Mr. Fink, Mr. Mayhew and Ms. Currie would like to say that they truly appreciated the positive feelings and feedback which they received.

LISGAR OCTET AND ORCHESTRA

During the spring, the Lisgar Octet won first prize in the chamber music class in the Ottawa Music Festival. Congratulations to all those students who played in the Octet this year, especially Phong Mach, who received a \$750. senior strings scholarship. Phong will represent Ottawa at the provincial finals in London, Ontario.

This year the strings of the senior orchestra took part in a very successful exchange with the Sir Oliver Mowat Secondary School orchestra in Scarborough.

We hope that all members of the orchestra have an enjoyable summer and continue to use their musical talents next year.

DANCE CLUB

On May 6, Lisgar's Dance Club put on a "Dance Showcase", featuring the talents of students in jazz and modern dance. Many thanks to Niki Oliver, Melanie Black, Katie Jaimet and Cindy Barrington who choreographed and taught several numbers in the show, as well as to the more than 200 parents and friends who made the show a success through their attendance. As long as the interest continues it is hoped this show will become an annual event. New members, especially male dancers, are welcome to join next year.

REMITTANCE FORM

Please complete this form and attach it to your cheque or money order made payable to "The Lisgar Fund". Any donation above the Alumni Association membership fee of \$5.00 (if applicable) is tax deductible.

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