



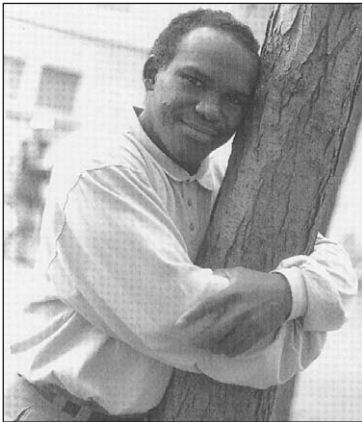
Alere Flammam

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Remembering Léonard Zamor

By Davida Aronovitch

This canal-side apartment on Clegg Avenue in Ottawa was just as one might have imagined it: the sunny open space is draped with lush greenery, and the rooms are filled with exotic artifacts collected on his extensive travels. Towering wooden shelves are crammed with books of all kinds. Classical music plays softly from where Mr. Zamor sits, smiling in his signature purple-striped Guatemalan shirt. Even now, weakened by illness and physically deteriorated, he is in good spirits. Unable to speak or write, he uses a joystick to indicate letters on the com-



Léonard Zamor poses for a Vox photo

puter screen. Ask to see his collection of photographs, and he will call up one of dozens of portfolios. If urged, he will produce articles published in a political newspaper for which he was briefly editor. I once asked Mr. Zamor why, with so many talents and interests, he chose to become a teacher. He laughed and replied simply "Teaching is my vocation."

Even on inhospitably wintry days, Mr. Zamor would be found cycling to and from Lisgar, where he taught French and Spanish and coached soccer for eight years before he was diagnosed in 2003 with ALS, commonly known as Lou Gehrig's disease. Born in Haiti in 1957, Jean Léonard Eugène Zamor came to Canada with his family in 1969 at the age of 11. He took both his B.A. and his Bachelor of Education at the University of Ottawa. He also studied for a year on scholarship at the Goethe Institute in Germany. While he would travel habitually throughout Asia, South America, and Europe, Ottawa was his home.

When Mr. Zamor learned that he was ill, he did anything but capitulate. Rather, he planned a final trip to

Indonesia in April 2004 and lived to the fullest his last months of mobility. He would joke lightheartedly that the doctors had given up on him. He, however, would do nothing of the sort.

His classroom was unlike any other. In every aspect of his teaching, his love of language, music, literature, and art came bursting forth with contagious enthusiasm. Once a month, Mr. Zamor held what he called Café des Poésies. Students brought in poems and excerpts, musical instruments, and baked goods. He would provide a classical soundtrack, serve his home-brewed tea, and occasionally offer an impromptu verse from memory. I was hardly surprised to learn from Gisèle, one of his three younger sisters, that a favourite childhood game of Mr. Zamor's was reading the dictionary—a habit that, despite his best efforts, he never managed to pass on to his students. More than what he taught, it was how he taught that made him so exceptional. Although sometimes undeserving, he treated his teenage students as young adults. His classroom was a community for novel and lively thinking. After all, this is a man who once

climbed onto the roof of his house as a boy just to find out what was out of sight. It was this appetite for discovery that he taught his students.

Shy and quiet, Mr. Zamor rarely spoke of himself. But some digging turns up childhood quiz show wins, innumerable travels, various journalism, a love of spices and cooking, choir singing, and a street theatre program for troubled youth in Indonesia, for instance. Even the number of languages he spoke—five in all—and his country of origin were unknown to us at the time as his students. Yet, beyond any one remarkable thing, it is the person he was—his passion, his benevolence, and his taste for adventure that so strongly marked his students.

On April 8th, Mr. Zamor died at his home, overlooking the canal. He was 47. If I am ever complimented on my French, I explain that I had a truly exceptional French teacher. I now understand that this description, which he would surely have waved off blushing, is only the beginning of who Mr. Zamor was to me and so to many others, and for which he will be dearly missed. ■

Lisgar Welcomes Karen Gledhill as New Principal

Karen has served the former Carleton Board of Education and the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board, for the last 31 years, as a teacher (predominantly Physical Education, Dance, Guidance Counsellor), assistant department head, department head of Physical and Health Education and Fine Arts, and administrator at five secondary schools. She supports student involvement in all aspects of school life and involvement in the community at large.

As well, she is a strong believer in continuous learning, encourages professional development of staff, and supports creative and innovative ideas and technology in the classroom. Students have heard Karen speak of the three Rs—self-respect, respect for others, and taking responsibility for choices, actions and decisions. She loves to visit classes, to participate and to watch the co-curricular activities. Her door is always open—for staff, students, parents and visitors. Karen lives

in Manotick with her husband. Her daughter is in third year at York University taking Kinesiology and her son is a professional ballet dancer in Sweden with the Gotenberg Ballet. She is thrilled and excited to be at Lisgar.

We say goodbye to Principal Pat Irving, who retired from the Board this past June. We wish her well in future endeavours and thank her for her service to Lisgar over the last few years—including the weekend of the 160th reunion. ■

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Members' Forum

A couple of corrections to note—confirmation that we really need an editor:

From Marg Pippy: In the Fall 1999 issue (XV, no. 1), Lois Tewsley's maiden name was omitted in the list of Life Members. She phoned to ask if we could correct it, saying that Tewsley wouldn't mean anything to anyone who knew her at Lisgar. She was Lois Bayley, and graduated in 1934.

And from Elizabeth Hale: Dr. Donald W. Mills (1949) of London, ON, wrote that "like Mark Twain, I believe that the report of my death has been greatly exaggerated." *Alere Flammam* (Fall 2004) had published that he had passed away, but it was a case of mistaken identity. He wants to assure everyone that he is warm and breathing. He retired from the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Western Ontario four years ago but still works five half-days a week caring for patients as a sub specialist in glaucoma.

Alere Flammam (Fall 2004) published the obituary of Elizabeth H. Roderick (Smiley, 1938). It should have been Elizabeth H. Prodrick

(Smiley, 1938). We apologize for the error.

Janet Whitfield writes: I would just like to take a moment to thank you for your kind words about our father, David Whitfield (1947), in the fall newsletter. It was very touching to see the article in the newsletter and to see a different side of him presented. You have no idea how proud he was to have gone to Lisgar and always spoke very highly of everything Lisgar represented. I thank you again for taking the time to dedicate some space to him in the newsletter.

W. Robert Wellwood (1950) wrote to express his sadness at hearing of the passing of his dear friend Godfrey Massé. He remembered his friend from their Lisgar days and also at the Bytown Inn.

Lois Beach (Gibson, 1955) writes: Congratulations on the wonderful 160th reunion last May! It was a wonderful event. I was thrilled to meet many old classmates, attend the Assembly, sing the school song again and just relive memories from some of the happiest years of my life. I had not returned to Lisgar since my graduation in 1955.

Joan Fortin (LaRochelle, 1946) writes from her home in Ft. Myers Florida: I attended Lisgar with Eric Toller, Sybil Lahey, Ida Hundevad and Shirley Stotesbury. I do not know where they all are now as I have lived in the U.S. since 1958. My brother was Arthur LaRochelle and he also attended Lisgar. He is now deceased. I would love to hear from any old friends (joanfortin@aol.com).

Isabella Brunt-Tompset (Steeds, 1942) writes from Abbotsford, BC: Sorry I missed the 160th, but I was there for the 100th and the 150th!

Hugh Dale-Harris Jr. (1989) and his four teammates from the Barclays Capital Ultimate Expedition Team

In Memoriam

ADKINS, Bert (1942). On January 19, 2005, aged 78 years, Bert William Adkins, born October 24, 1926, dear brother of Helen Cox. Bert enjoyed a career as an announcer with CBC in Montreal where he worked for the International Service, local radio and T.V. Bert was the male lead in one of the first Canadian "soap operas," which was broadcast daily, as well as an announcer of a T.V. sport show called "For Golfers Only." He regularly was ring-side announcer at the weekend boxing matches in the Montreal Forum. One of his fondest memories was of interviewing Rocket Richard on the night of his retirement. Bert's acting career took him to Toronto, New York and London, England. He returned to Ottawa to work for CBO and his beloved Ottawa Little Theatre. For many years, his Ontario-wide radio program "Listen to My Music" was a popular start to the day of lovers of Big Band and jazz music from the 30s, 40s and 50s, bringing him fans from as far as US border states.

ARMSTRONG, Major William Hall (1937). Born Ottawa, Ontario, June 3, 1920, died peacefully, November 9, 2004. Pre-deceased by first wife Iola (1973), and brothers Bob and Don; leaves wife Violet; son David, and daughter Judy Couvelier. Bill served more than six years in the Armed Forces during World War II with the Cameron Highlanders in Canada, including four and a half years overseas in Iceland and the UK as well as with the Saskatchewan Light Infantry in Italy. Bill was injured in action, May

1943, (Liri Valley). Bill also worked for 41 years at CIBC.

ARTHUR, Elseke Irene (teacher). Passed away on May 15, 2004 in her 81st year. Proud mother of David and Mark of Toronto and Elaine of Calgary. Lovingly remembered by her brother Robert and his wife Persis of Naples, Florida. Elseke was a dedicated high school teacher, most recently at Laurentian High School and Lisgar Collegiate, as well as an avid gardener. Many people were touched by her strength of character, wit, stories and support.

BRABAZON, Stephen G.E. (1943). August 7, 1924 to June 7, 2005. It is with great sadness that the family announces the death of Stephen George Edward Brabazon. Beloved husband of 50 years to Connie (nee Jarvis). Loving father of Catherine and Shaun.

BRAY, Marion (1928). Peacefully on May 22, 2005, aged 95 years. Beloved sister of Dick of Kingston. Dear aunt of Charles of Dunrobin, Richmond Wilson of Manotick and Tom Wilson of Toronto.

BURNS, John Cecil (1935). WWII Veteran 1940 to 1946, RCAF and POW. Passed away peacefully at the age of 88 years in Perth, Ontario on December 2, 2004. Beloved husband of Judy (O'Halloran); devoted father of Barbara Darragh of Cleveland, Ohio and Pamela Burns of Ottawa. Predeceased by his sisters Jean and Helen.

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successfully reached the North Pole by dogsled on April 26th 2005. They completed the task in 37 days, matching the time taken by American explorer Robert E. Peary in 1909. The journey was documented on the Web site: www.barcapulti-matenorth.com.

Dorothy Mackie (Douglas, 1939) writes from Scarborough, ON: Thank you for your kindness in including my brother Hugh C. Douglas's obituary

notice in the winter issue of the Alumni newsletter. My sister Jean Forward and I were most grateful for this kindness. Hugh had some fond memories of his years at Lisgar—as do Jean and I.

Gary Hough (1953) writes from his new home in Brevard, North Carolina: I finally retired last August and my wife and I built a new home here. We are enjoying the lifestyle very much—lots to keep us busy. Every

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issue of *Alere Flamman* I receive brings back fond memories; being a student at Lisgar was such a unique experience. Keep up the good work!

Richard Prinsep (1950) sent a photo of Margaret Pippy (former Alumni Secretary) and writes: Sorry to hear that Margaret Pippy is stepping down from her duties. I'm pretty sure she'll be missed but deserves a well-earned rest. I hope her successors will be as hard-working and conscientious as she was.

Ann McJanet (Hill, 1955) writes: Thanks for your always-interesting newsletter, which I read through as soon as it comes. My years at Lisgar were a wonderful part of my growing up. *She also wanted us to correct an error in the article "Remembrance Day 2004" from our Fall 2004 newsletter. In it we state that the War Memorial was unveiled by King George VI and Queen Mary in August 1938. In fact, it took place on May 21, 1939 and was unveiled by King George and Queen Elizabeth.*

Fredericka Fleming (Bull, 1952) added a note along with her donation to the Friends of Lisgar campaign: Congratulations to Margaret Pippy. Her kind personal note to me when I got in touch 10 years ago, kept me coming back and becoming a life member. Thanks Margaret!

Mary Fraser (Learoyd, 1941) made a donation to the Lisgar Fund and writes: I just thought I'd let you know that my husband, Ken Fraser, has passed away. He and I met at Lisgar in 1939. His last year at Lisgar was 1941, at which point he was "off to war." Ken was a pilot on Lancaster bombers and completed a tour of operations with the RAF 100th Squadron. After WWII, he continued as a pilot, flying aerial survey. The enclosed cheque is in memory of Kenneth and his time at Lisgar, and of the fact that our 66 years together began there. Also, my father, Arthur G.S. Learoyd and his brothers, Edward, John (Jack), Rainsford (Doug) and Lyall all attend-

ed Lisgar in the late 19th and early 20th century. [Editor's note: see In Memoriam]

Bert Strankinga (1963) writes: I very much appreciate the hard work performed by your Association over the years. Although I have lived in Toronto for many years, I keep in regular touch with other Lisgar Alumni living here.

Marvel Miller Evelyn (1954) writes from Calgary, AB: I would appreciate it if you would give my best to Marg Pippy. Please thank her for encouraging me to write a column for "Where are they now?" I had a lot of fun doing it and received a lot of welcome feedback from people I hadn't heard from since I left Lisgar.

Ian Halliday (1945) writes: The class of 1945 lost two of its prominent members recently with the death of James M. Kennedy and Bernis F. Shaver. [Editor's note: see In Memoriam] Jim Kennedy was the eldest child of a prominent Ottawa family, the son of a retired General who served after the war as Chairman of the Federal District Commission (predecessor of the NCC). An expert mathematician and an accomplished pianist, Jim had the highest marks in mathematics for the Province of Ontario in the 1945 departmental exams, due to an outstanding performance on the difficult, optional Problems exam. He graduated with high honours in mathematics from the University of Toronto in 1949, followed by a PhD from Princeton in 1952. From 1952 to 1965 he was a scientist with Atomic Energy of Canada at Chalk River, where he developed the first significant computer facilities. He then moved to Vancouver as Head of the Computer Science Department at the University of British Columbia and in later years also served as a VP of the University. Jim Kennedy was a most distinguished Lisgar graduate.

Bernie Shaver was an athlete at Lisgar, playing both football and hockey for the school teams. Our home room teacher in the final year was

Lorne W. Rentner, head of the math department and an excellent teacher—although not always a favourite with some students. Members of the football team had permission to leave class early on days when there was a practice, which coincided with Mr. Rentner's math class. Class members will not have forgotten a memorable encounter between Bernie and Mr. Rentner when, in an attempt to suggest Bernie should pay more attention to math and less to athletics, he asked "Shaver, what do you want to be when you grow up?" Bernie's reply was "I want to be a high school PhysEd teacher, sir" amid general smiles and snickers around class. Bernie continued to play hockey during his student years in the Physical Education course at the University of Toronto and became a much respected teacher at Fisher Park High School here in Ottawa. Clearly, he achieved the goal he set for himself in 1945.

Evelyn Greenberg (1955) e-mailed: My fellow alumni might be interested to know that I will receive an Honourary Doctorate from the University of Ottawa on June 7th, 2005. I am being honoured as a music educator and community volunteer.

Peter Chance (1939) writes: As always, I read the newsletter with nostalgic interest. So this time, first, let me say a farewell and smooth sailing to Margaret Pippy and Doug Arrand. It has been a pleasure to have met you both, all too infrequently, and to appreciate the tremendous amount of much appreciated support you have given to so many students and alumni over many years. Also welcome to Elizabeth Hale and Yvonne Seiers. Nice photo of Liz Fripp and Joan Finnigan. I recall a trip to Danforth Lake to the Fripp cottage many years ago. It was a beautiful spot quite different from Norway Bay—my summer stomping ground in the '30s. Johnny Fripp, one of Ottawa's best known skiers, had been a childhood friend when we all lived on Cooper Street on the block between Cartier and the Driveway. (I

attempted to recall all of this and much more in my book *A Sailors Life 1920-2001 B4its2L8*—www.members.shaw.ca/pchance). There is a chapter devoted to Lisgar. Please convey my gratitude to George Toller and John Dunning for their contributions to the "Lest We Forget" ceremonies on Remembrance Day. Out here on the West Coast I was persuaded by my local Legion Branch in 1987 to speak to elementary school children about the meaning of Remembrance Day. It was a pleasure and an honour to be included in the very supportive ceremonies arranged by the different schools where I gave a short talk as a part of the program... I do believe that it's more important than ever that the practice of speaking to the younger generation about the sacrifices made by the forefathers of our country should be encouraged as an essential factor in enhancing national unity.

Carol Finlay (Blyth) and Diane Loeb wrote to ask if we could ask for the e-mail addresses and/or phone numbers of the following people from the 1962 graduating class: John Baldwin, Ted Hanna, Stephanie Smith, Fred Corbett, Alan Knight, Kenneth Evans. Please ask them to get in touch with Diane at (416) 925-3934 or via e-mail at dianelo@sympatico.ca.

Elizabeth Cohen (Wilson, 1968) posts on our Web site forum: I was at a conference in Orlando and had the afternoon off. My kids were coming down to join me the next day, so I went to the Disney attraction I thought they would least enjoy—Epcot. I was feeling homesick and went to the Canadian pavilion to wallow in memory and found myself watching an enormous Imax movie of Canada. There was a scene of skaters on the Rideau canal (I couldn't get homesick about that because skating on the canal started after I moved away), and as the camera followed a group of skaters it panned up to the left and there was LISGAR! I burst into tears and all the people around me edged away. It was just so unexpected. ■

In Memoriam

In Memoriam (continued)

BUTOVSKY, Ruth. Peacefully at her residence, September 5, 2003. Cherished wife of the late Earl Butovsky. Loving and devoted cousin of Irma Solomon.

CLEINGE-GREEN, Marguerite (1981). April 16, 2005. Marguerite Cleinge-Green of Ottawa, age 42 years. Beloved wife of Dr. Douglas Green, mother of Isaac, daughter of Sylvia Cleinge and of the late Jean Cleinge, sister of Henri Cleinge and Sophia Southam of Montreal.

EDWARDS, John Francis "Jake" (1934). At age 93, taken suddenly on the golf course in Kingston on July 7, 2005. Beloved husband of the late Evelyn, dear father of Bob and Jane.

FRASER, Kenneth Vaughan D.F.C. (1941). WWII Pilot, R.A.F. 100 Squadron. On August 16, 2004 in his 81st year. Survived by his devoted wife Mary (Learoyd). Dear father of Wendy, Kerry and Roderick, and dear brother of Jean Bowen.

GATES, Laura Fellows (Gilpatrick, 1945). It is with sadness that the family of Laura Gates announces her peaceful passing on March 29, 2004 after a two-year battle with cancer. She leaves behind her husband of 52 years, Eric E. Gates, and three children, Judy of Moncton, Cathy of St. Catharines and Rob of Ottawa.

HERINGER, Dr. Thomas More (Tom). Age 77 years, a resident of Thunder Bay, passed away peacefully on July 16, 2002. Tom will be greatly missed by his wife of 54 years Constance (FitzGerald) Heringer; children Matthew, Andrew, Caroline, Philip, and Claudia; brother, Dr. Richard Heringer of Ottawa; and sister, Barbara Dobbin of Mississauga.

HUNDEVAD, The Rev. Dr. Alan Stewart. On December 10, 2004, age

72. Dear brother of Ida Schjelderup, stepbrother to Neil and Mark. Ordained at Union Seminary, New York, he was also organist at St. Mark's Anglican Church, Cumberland. Renowned for his preaching, Alan's outstanding sermons were given at over 50 churches in the USA and Canada. His whole life was dedicated to his music, his churches and his congregations.

JENNINGS, Peter (ca. 1954) On August 7, 2005, in New York, age 67. He leaves his wife, Kayce Freed, and his children Elizabeth and Christopher. [Editor's note: see also p. 5]

KENNEDY, Dorothy "Dot" May (1923). March 20, 1905 to January 13, 2005. Passed away peacefully in her 100th year. Loving wife of the late Clifford (Kip) Kennedy, a much-loved sister of Jean Crawford and cherished aunt of Ted Maginnes, Bill MacDonald, Ann Voino, Janet Foran and Sharon Crawford.

KENNEDY, James "Jim" Macoun (1945). On July 7, 2004. Much loved husband of Norah. Loved brother and brother-in-law of Edith and Hugh Watson of Woodland, CA, Carol Kennedy and the late David Kennedy of Oakville, ON and James Bocking and the late Margaret Bocking of Hinton, AB.

LANDREVILLE, Harold Medric (1940). Passed away in Brampton on Friday, October 22, 2004. Dearly loved husband of Doris (Boyce). Brother of the late Shirley Rooney, brother-in-law of Jean and of the late Ralph Boyce of Guelph and the late Norma and Ted Fletcher of Burlington.

LEGGO, George Bryson (1947). On Sunday, July 4, 2004. Beloved husband of 51 years to Carol Steacy. Much-loved father of Jayne, Jeff, Jill, and Dan. Predeceased by sister Jean Canham. He had hoped to attend the Lisgar reunion in May, but failing health prevented him from doing so. Lisgar always had a special place in his heart.

LEO, Jacob (ca. 1929). Peacefully on August 16, 2002. Born October 8, 1910. Predeceased by his beloved sister and brother-in-law Betty and Meyer Ferber and survived by his nephews Ari and David Langer of Israel.

MCGLASHAN, Rev. Murray Alexander (1949). Minister of the United Church of Canada, 1969-1995. Peacefully on Tuesday November 23, 2004 at age 74, after a courageous struggle with cancer. Dearly loved husband of Jean (nee Maxwell) for 49 years. Beloved father of Bruce, Nancy, John and David.

MOYNIHAN, Gail P. (teacher 1987 to 1995). Peacefully with her family at her side, on May 10, 2005, at the age of 60 years. Loving mother to Peggy and dear sister to Noreen. An inspirational teacher to many and devoted friend to all who knew her. [Editor's note: see also p. 5]

NG, Cary (1974). Died October 13, 2004. Loving father of Lawrence and Brandon. Dear brother of Ellen, Christina Wu, Kathy Chan, Mary, Tom and Lucy Chan.

ROUGIER, Adolphe "Ad" (1935). On July 31, 2004, age 88. Beloved husband of Marion Stewart. Cherished father of Barbara Parker, Christine Benjamin, Patricia and Jo-Anne. Dear brother of Antoinette Lapointe.

SHAVER, Burnis Frederick (1945). Retired high school teacher (Fisher Park H.S.). On February 9, 2005 in his 78th year. Beloved husband of 53 years to Grace Foote. Loving father of Steven, Debra, Gary and Scott. Cherished brother of Merle.

SHORE, Percy (1933). On Saturday, June 12, 2004. Beloved husband of Rosalie (nee Alex). Loving father of Murray and Jody. Loving brother of Gordon. Predeceased by brothers Manuel and Peter.

SNIPPER, Donald, Q.C. (1935). 1915-2003. On December 20, 2003 at age 88. Beloved husband of Shirley; loving father to Jon, Chick, Nancy and Heather.

TAYLOR, Ernest (1937). October 19, 1919 to July 17, 2005. Older brother to Beverly, Constance, Kingsley, Margaret (d. 1932) and June. Served in Italy and northern Europe as Captain, R.C.A. Married Marjorie Stoyand (d. 2001). Survived by children David, Richard, Christopher and Barbara.

WHITESIDE, Karen Ruth (Waldorf, 1961). Died February 3,

2005. Loving wife of Jim. Cherished and dedicated mother of Rebecca and Jamie. Beloved sister of Heather Macdonald.

WOODBURN, Paul Kenneth Sr. (1935). On June 6, 2005 in his 87th year. Son of the late Henry Paden Woodburn and Mary Blair Woodburn. He was predeceased by his wife Doretta Keltz and his sisters Celia Abra and Jean Dean, and his brothers Emerson, Harry, James and Ralph. He is survived by his son Paul and his daughter Cherry and his sister, Marjorie Mowat.

WRIGHT, Marion Eunice (Sugrue, 1935). On November 17, 2004 at the age of 87 years. Devoted wife of the late Allan J. Wright (1998). Mother of Janet Baker of Pensacola, Florida. Dearly loved "Mar" of Karen Affholter of Monroe, Michigan, and Michael of Manassas, Virginia. Eunice is also survived by her brother David Sugrue of Nepean.

ZAMOR, Léonard (teacher 1995 to 2004). On April 8, 2005. A member of the Languages Department, he taught French and Spanish. [Editor's note: see also p. 1]

Mail has been returned to the Alumni Office marked "deceased" from the following Alumni:

ALLAN, Ken (1938)

BURNS, Helen (1930)

INNES, E. (1933)

MACKINNIN, Genevieve (2001)

ROOKE, Robert Lorne (1951) died in January 2004.

SHAPIRO, Ben (1941)

SOBCOV, Jack

WEBSTER, Bill (1939) died in 1997. ■

Wall of Fame: The Next Induction

After the successful launch of the athletic "Wall of Fame" at the 160th celebrations, the Alumni Association has decided to add several more inductees to the original 10 in the near future. We are sure that there are many more worthy candidates who should be considered, but we need YOUR help to

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For those sharp-eyed readers who keep track of volume and issue numbers, note that this really is Vol XXI, no. 1. There was no publication Vol XX, no. 2 last spring—and not coincidentally, we are still searching for an editor to take on responsibility for the newsletter.

Wall of Fame (continued)

identify them. If you know of a former Lisgar athlete who has gone on to success at the Olympic, professional, international, national, or university levels, please contact the Alumni office at (613) 239-2478 or e-mail us at alumni@lisgar.net. Make sure that you provide as much biographical information as you can on the nominee's athletic accomplishments, and, most importantly, please provide a phone number, an e-mail address, or a postal address where the candidate

(or a relative) may be reached. Please don't assume that someone else will take the time. If you need further information, contact Bill Fraser at coachf@cyberus.ca, or Peter Neidre or Tanya Asselstine at Lisgar (613) 239-2696.

The present list of "Wall of Fame" members includes: Joe Zelikovitz '30-'34, Bruce Kirby '48, Donald Jackson '54-'57, Anne Heggtveit '52-'57, Linda Thom '57-'58, Paul Paddon '60-'65, Joan Fisher '67, Hugh Fraser '70, Pat Stoqua '76, Petra Cada '96. ■

Notes from Down Under

From Joy Heft

Besides the routine matters of filing and responding to requests, work in the alumni office since the last newsletter has involved providing assistance for the production of a film documentary about Governor General Adrienne Clarkson. Peggy Shkuda, who is producing the documentary, spent time with her team filming pictures in the archives and later of the classroom where Mme Clarkson would have taken some of her classes, as well as other parts of the school. Alumni will want to watch for the appearance of that documentary. Ms. Shkuda has expressed an interest in creating another documentary, this time about the school, having learned that many of its alumni have gone on to notable careers.

The archives has received an interesting donation of a pair skates from the collection of Nigel Stephens (1939-45). Dating from ca. 1825, they are of European construction with a large curved blade with copper acorns fitted onto the point of the blade and mounted on a wood platform. The original leather straps attach the skates to a boot. Mr Stephens, a member of the Canadian Figure Skating Hall of Fame, was Canadian Junior Figure Skating Champion in 1943, Senior Champion in 1945, former World and Olympic Champion Figure Skating Judge, and is past president of the Canadian Figure Skating

Association. Nigel has provided a mount for the skates and the Alumni Association will have a case built for display purposes.

Finally, it has been a policy of the alumni executive to have copies of the yearbook bound each year to create a library edition of each volume. These date back to 1885, the earlier ones having been hand written. As this practice had lapsed as of 1991, this year the executive agreed to having the recent volumes bound to match the others. The collection is now complete to the current year—2005. In addition, there is another collection kept in the principal's office with bound volumes of five. These, too, had fallen behind considerably and two new ones have been created, bringing the series up to 2004. The inscription on the new volumes reads "Presented by the Lisgar Alumni Association in 2005." Rod Hagglund, the Alumni Association's president, dedicated the latest volume to Pat Irving, who retired as principal this year, thanking her for her years of service to Lisgar.

Speaking of *Vox*—Thank you once again to those who have contributed to the collection of two we try to have for the archives. We would still like to receive copies of the following: 1911, 1912, 1914 (spring), 1914 (fall), 1922, 1945, 1946, 1951, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1959, 1960.

Peter Stark would also like to buy a copy of a 1968 *Vox* for which he designed the cover. ■

Here and There

A Lisgar Notable: Pegi Nicol MacLeod

The Carleton University Art Gallery was the venue this past winter of an interesting retrospective of the paintings of Canadian artist Pegi Nicol MacLeod, a student of Lisgar Collegiate in the 1920s. The exhibit, "Pegi Nicol MacLeod, a Life in Art," was organized, to coincide with the centenary of Pegi's birth by Laura Brandon curator of the exhibit and current curator of the Canadian War Museum, who authored a book about Pegi, *Pegi by Herself*, which appeared in the fall of last year. The National Film Board of Canada has also produced a documentary entitled "Pegi Nicol, Something Dancing About Her." Christened Margaret Kathleen Nichol, "Peggy" chose to be known as Pegi Nicol in her early twenties, already exhibiting an independence that would allow her to pursue a career in art when few women could. Among her supporters were Eric Brown, then director of the National Gallery, and Governor General Vincent Massey, who arranged for a memorial exhibition of her work at the National Gallery of Canada when she died at an early age in 1949. This year's exhibit was the first since that time. Although Pegi enjoyed only limited recognition during her lifetime, she was commissioned by the National Gallery during the Second World War to chronicle the participation of women in the services. Pegi's father, William Wallace Nichol, also had a Lisgar connection, serving as principal of Ottawa Collegiate Institute (later Lisgar Collegiate Institute) for four years beginning in 1908.

Teacher Gail Moynihan Dies

Gail Moynihan died on May 10, 2005 after a long illness that forced her to cut short her teaching career in the mid '90s. She had joined the Lisgar staff in 1987 and had taught business and English, as well as performed library duties. Her no-nonsense approach earned her the respect and gratitude of her students. Gail's daughter, Peggy Boyer, a Lisgar graduate,

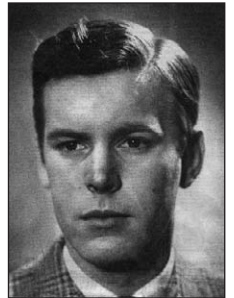
and Gail's sister Noreen were by her side at the time of her death. Gail is missed by her many friends who appreciated her wry sense of humour, her passion for books and movies, and her unwavering loyalty.

Governor General Accepts Award

Alumni Executive member Sylvia Kershman attended a reception for the outgoing Governor General, our former Head Girl, at Sir Robert Borden High School. Her Excellency, the Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson and her husband, John Ralston Saul, accepted the Chair's Award from the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board on September 21, 2005. Members of Lisgar music teacher Trudy Bradley's String Quartet (Samantha Oswald, Laura Owen, Kely Gale, Cindy Olberg) played, and student soloist Lina Crompton led the audience in singing "Oh Canada."

Jennings Awarded Order of Canada

Just after his 67th birthday and a week before his death, Peter Jennings, popular and respected ABC news anchor, learned he had



Alumnus Peter Jennings

been awarded the Order of Canada. Peter attended Lisgar in the 1950s. He did not graduate, a decision that he later regretted. He joined CJOH in 1961 after working in a Brockville radio station, and hosted a teen show as well as a CBC public affairs show. In 1964, he was recruited by ABC news and soon became co-anchor. In 1967, he decided he needed more experience, opening the network's Beirut bureau. In 1983, he became anchor and senior editor for "World News Tonight," where he remained until his diagnosis of lung cancer forced him off the air in April. [Editor's note: see also In Memoriam] ■



Alumni Executive Chair Rod Hagglund helps cut the ribbon on a new computer lab funded by Lisgar Alumni.

Friends of Lisgar: Alumni Auditorium Refurbishment on Track

Brett Dugan, the treasurer of the Lisgar Fund, indicates that we have raised more than \$45,000 from the Friends of Lisgar Campaign. It is being used for the auditorium restoration. Approximately \$41,000 will go towards repairs of plaster and painting.

The new plaques with the names of

the Benefactors (donations of \$1000 or more) and Patrons (who gave \$500 or more) are ready to be hung in the main entrance. They will take their place beside the ones erected in thanks to those who gave so generously in 1994 to the 150th Reunion campaign. And as soon as the refurbish-

ment of the Auditorium is complete, the plaques with Sponsors' names will be added to the seats so you can see what your donation has achieved. Many thanks to all who helped their Alma Mater with this worthwhile project. *Alere Flamman!* ■

Lisgar Students to Stage *Guys and Dolls*

On December 1, 2 and 3, Lisgar students will stage *Guys and Dolls* in the Alumni Auditorium. Musical directors Richard Arrigo and Trudy Bradley and cast director James Hum have begun rehearsals to ready cast and crew. The Auditorium will be sporting new paint over repaired plasterwork, thanks to you, the Alumni, who raised the funds for refurbishment. All Alumni are invited to come and enjoy the show.

Tickets are \$10, and go on sale November 1. You can purchase them in person at the main office, or in advance through the mail. Please call the school for more information at (613) 239-2696. If you are unable to attend, you can still help with production costs. Tax receipts will be issued for contributions of \$20 or more, and you will receive a mention in the program. ■



Alumnus Emilian Papadopoulos (2000) helps students build the set for Lisgar's upcoming musical.

Life Members

Since the last issue of *Alere Flamman*, another 28 alumni have signed up as Life Members:

C.A. Shae (Ullrich) Alton 1962
 Karen (Turner) Barber 1961
 Robin (Franklin) Bernath 1972
 Christopher Brand 1958
 Michael Bright 1959
 Henry S. Brown 1969
 Susan M. (Smith) Brown 1969
 Patrick Bryden 1976
 David Chance 1942

Dr. James Coupland 1946
 Robert Cunningham 1961
 Ken Eades 1958

Joan (Larochelle) Fortin 1946
 Anne (Heggtveit) Hamilton 1957
 Douglas Harris 1967
 Amy Laird 1993

Dr. Mary E. MacKinnon 1976
 Mitzi (Hollington) Murray 1940
 F. Henry Nichols 1966
 David Pinhey 1955

Dorothy (O'Brien) Pratt 1945
 Ruth (Gardner) Roney 1945

Lyon Sachs 1944
 Elizabeth (Macartney) Smith 1958

Jason Sterne 1990
 Bert Strankinga 1963
 Graham Stremes 1941
 Jasmin Uhthoff 1986

As it has following other reunions, it has come to our attention that there are names missing from the veterans' lists in the Memorial Hall. We will be adding a few more immediately. If you know of someone who should be recognized, please get in touch.

From the Secretary

From Elizabeth Hale

It has now been a full year since I took over this duty for the Alumni Association and I have enjoyed learning the process and getting to know my fellow Alumni. I have found it interesting finding out what people have been doing with their lives and I am warmed by the fact that so many of you are passionate about this school and want to stay in touch. Did you know there are 4010 Alumni listed in our database, but only 779 have paid their membership fees (2005 renewals and life members)? That is less than 20 per cent! If you are reading this newsletter and you have not paid your fees, please send them in. Without your support, the newsletter will not be able to be published. Your Alumni Association

works hard to organize events like the 160th reunion, makes donations on your behalf to important school projects such as the recently completed computer lab [*Editor's note: see photo at top left*], and is the driving force behind the Alumni Auditorium renovations. Please do your part by keeping up with your membership fees. It is only \$15 a year (or \$100 for life).

By the time the next newsletter is distributed, I hope to have a new and improved selection of Lisgar memorabilia available to be purchased. The products we have offered for the past several years are ready for an update. I would appreciate your feedback on this and welcome your suggestions. Please let me know if you are interested in travel mugs, golf shirts, window stickers or fleece blankets. These are just a few ideas. I can be reached any time at alumni@lisgar.net. ■