



Alere Flammam

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Alumni Duo a Success on the World Stage

Cheng² Duo, composed of sister and brother Silvie and Bryan Cheng, are quickly becoming an international phenomenon in classical music—and they are recent Lisgar grads, from the classes of 2009 and 2015!

Neither of Silvie and Bryan's parents are musicians, but when they saw their children take a special interest in classical music, they encouraged them to pursue their passion. At Lisgar, Silvie played viola in the symphony orchestra and keyboard in the jazz band, and Bryan played cello in the senior orchestra. Favourite extracurricular activities included varsity soccer and Student's Council for Silvie, and outdoor education for Bryan, and remembered teachers include John Hodgson, Robert Tang, Darius Arjang, Robert Derry, and David Wright.

Continuing their musical studies after high school, Silvie received both her Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degrees from the renowned Manhattan School of Music in New York City as a Presidential Award Scholar, and Bryan has just started his Bachelor of Music at the University of the Arts in Berlin, Germany, where he is receiving world-class education on a full scholarship in one of the most musically inspiring cities in the world.

In recent years, Cheng² Duo has



RECENT GRADS: Cheng siblings Bryan (2015) and Silvie (2009) recorded their first album this year.

performed across Canada and the United States, in Belgium, the Czech Republic, Germany, Holland, Italy, China, and South Korea. They will be presented in a 13-city tour in China this summer, as well as in two tours in Canada—the Maritimes in fall 2016 and Western Quebec and Ontario in

spring 2018. Audiences in Ottawa recently had an opportunity to see and hear them in performance at a dinner and recital for the Friends of the National Arts Centre Orchestra at the Chinese Embassy in Ottawa, presenting an innovative program of classical and contemporary music. One of the

pieces was their own arrangement of a Chinese folk song that captured the spirit of wild horses—they made their piano and cello sound like spirited wild horses galloping and laughing, and drew the very enthusiastic applause of the entire audience in standing ovation.

Audience members approach Silvie and Bryan after every concert asking for a CD, so they decided last year that it was about time to record one. They wanted to make this debut recording project a process and communal experience that friends could be a part of, and they crowd-funded \$29,020 from 149 donors. The album was recorded in February in Berlin, as part of a multi-recording contract with the German classical label audite, and it will be released in October. Bravo, Silvie and Bryan!

[Editor's note: We have shared a link on our website to a not-to-miss video introducing Cheng² Duo and featuring them performing.] ■

Renew Your Membership or Make a Donation—Online!

Dour Alumni Association and the Lisgar Fund took a big step into the future this year, and we are now very excited to be able to accept your membership payments and charitable donations through our website. Did you know that with a tax-receiptable donation of at least \$120, you will be recognized as a Life Member, and that depending where you live in Canada the actual cost to you after the tax credit could be as low as \$56.40? Visit our website today, at www.lisgar.net—it only takes a minute or two, and we are depending on your support!

We have also been increasing our presence on Facebook, and invite alumni to “like” our page on the site at facebook.com/LisgarAlumniAssociation

to receive periodic Lisgar information, photos, and trivia in your news feed. For alumni not yet on Facebook, don't worry—we will still keep you up to date via the newsletter. We plan to only put

out one issue each year going forward, however, rather than two, given the increasing costs of printing and mailing, and the growing popularity of social media across all age groups. ■

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Members' Forum

Peter Stark (1968) e-mailed: I visited Lisgar this September, and I was appalled by the cannibalization of the old building. It now looks like a crowded beehive. Also, shame on whoever is responsible for the quartering of Mr. Mann's old Room 114. Since Lisgar obviously had a new site across the street, why was it necessary to ruin the old building?

Ann McJanet (Hill, 1955) sent in several obituaries from the newspaper and commented: I do enjoy receiving the newsletter and thank you for making it such a good read.

Judy Mellen (1969) wrote: I love receiving the newsletter and am looking forward to the 175th anniversary reunion in May 2018. I was involved in organizing the volunteers from the student body for the 125th held in 1969. Unfortunately, I haven't been able to attend any reunions since, but am planning on attending in 2018.

Gail Ladouceur, Library Technician at Gloucester High School e-mailed: I had a gentleman come into the library last week to return an overdue book. It was 71 years overdue. A friend of his dad had borrowed it from Lisgar in

1944 and he borrowed it from her and promised to return it and never did. In cleaning it was found and returned.

A piece composed by Julian Revie (1998) was performed during the Pope's mass in Philadelphia in September. Julian is Composer-in-Residence at Yale University's St. Thomas More Chapel in New Haven, Connecticut.

Dr. Amanda Bell (1992) was awarded the Sibley Award for teaching from McMaster University. Along with her family practice, Amanda has taught at McMaster for the past 15 years, specializing in adolescent medicine and women's health.

Doug Jones (1965) wrote: A few members of the Class of 1965 and a couple of friends from 1964 got together in Ottawa on November 7 for an evening of recollections. Some of us had not seen each other for 50 years! We enjoyed ourselves so much that we're planning a significantly larger reunion next fall. If you're interested in attending, send your coordinates to me at douglas789j@gmail.com.

Donald Wolochow (1950) posted on the Alumni Association Facebook page: Long-lost member of the class of 1950, Queens Meds '57, living in Southern California since 1970, retired physician, married 51 yrs to

Marcia (Temple U '60, B.U. '64), three daughters, five grandchildren. Any classmates out there?

Frank Volpi (1973) wrote, along with his membership dues: I always enjoy receiving the newsletter and find myself reflecting on the good times I had attending Lisgar, the friendships, the teachers, and the great school spirit that somehow became part of who I am today (not the procrastination though). I look forward to the 175th anniversary and hope to see some of my past friends.

Roger and Gloria Wright (1955) wrote: While attending the Lisgar open house as part of Doors Open Ottawa we had the opportunity of having Sam and Robbie as our tour guides. They knew the history of the school and explained it in detail. They could not believe that we still remembered the school songs and cheers. It was a pleasure to meet both young men. They are a credit to our school. We will be back next year!

Shirley Sullivan (Forster, 1948) also wrote about Doors Open at Lisgar: Thank you for joining the Doors Open group so that I was able to revisit my old high school last Sunday. I was greeted by two delightful young women who gave me an interesting tour of both outside and inside the school. They were certainly well informed, pointing out the many changes which have occurred since I

was there. It was nice to see that Lisgar continues with the high standard of education that results in students of this kind.

John Dillabough (1989) won a contest on Ottawa radio station CHEZ106 to play guitar on stage with Randy Bachman at Bluesfest in July 2015.

Joan Birbeck (1955) sent in some Glee Club memorabilia with a note: Although I did not graduate from Lisgar, I would have loved to graduate or go onto higher learning but in those days not everyone did. I enjoy reading the newsletter.

Betty Catchpole (Cameron 1950) sent in the obituary for her brother John (1949) and wrote: We often talked about the great years we had at Lisgar. Our father, Dr. Hugh Cameron, also attended Lisgar and he used to talk about "Fuzzy" Irwin, his chemistry teacher.

Elizabeth Lance (2001) e-mailed: As always, thank you for keeping this going. I just received the most recent version of *Alere Flamman* and it's delightful. Neil Petrie is someone who deserves the recognition for all his hard work.

John Barclay (1953) e-mailed: Seeing Sally MacDonald and Fergie Oliver together doing their duty as Head Boy and Girl reminded me of the

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CLASS OF 1965: Lewis MacDonald, Garth MacDonald (1966), Krys (Jaworska) James, David Jeanes, Bill Hines, Doug Jones, Ian McCrorie, Bill James, Naomi Loeb (1964), Ian Sadinsky (1964), John Murphy, Tony Welland, and Ian McKie. Not appearing in photo: Nancy Cook and Harvey Slipacoff.

time I accompanied Fergie to the new Fisher Park High School to deliver a sales pitch for the Lisgar annual concert. I don't why I was sweating so hard 'cause I didn't have to make the speech, but by the time Fergie was introduced our shirts were soaked! He managed to get through it and we headed off, quickly, red-faced and wet, for the old grey castle on the canal. Secondly: I had the pleasure of attending Lisgar at the same time as Evelyn Feldman. She was a tiny, lovely person, and a great piano player even then. A few years ago she accompa-

nied my granddaughter Kendra at the Kiwanis Music Festival, and we have since crossed paths on several occasions. Lastly: I noted that John Leckie has passed away. I remember him well, especially for some of the shenanigans we got up to in his father's yellow Buick convertible, i.e., packing one guy in the rumble seat and one behind the front seat before going through the ticket wicket at Drive-in Movie out Britannia way, and making an early morning raid on a housing development-in-progress, picking up some nails and shingles for

the ski chalet at Kazabazua. John always kept his cool, a butter-wouldn't-melt-in-his-mouth demeanor, and drove the car with all the élan of a Formula One driver. Ah, those were the days! I'm just past my 82nd birthday and still going strong, and look forward to reading *Alere Flammam* for many years to come. Keep up the good work.

Lorna Calderwood (Grabam, 1952) sent in three copies of the Vox Lycei (1948-1951) for our archives: We are in the process of downsizing and

must part with numerous items of memorabilia. Sorry I cannot include the elusive 1922 copy but that was a bit before my time! I enjoyed the festivities at Lisgar's 150th anniversary and with any luck I hope to get to the 175th anniversary in 2018.

In our Spring 2015 issue, we omitted that Dr. Ralph Gally (1958) earned a PhD (Marketing) in 1975 from New York University. Also, Dr. James Tweedie (1948) attended Queen's University, not McGill. We apologize for these errors. ■

In Memoriam

BEASLEY, Margaret (Tobin, 1965) passed away on July 27, 2015. She attended Ottawa Teachers' College and taught at Hillcrest until moving with her family to the United States.

CAMERON, John (1949) passed away on January 14, 2016.

CON, Robert (1953) passed away on March 28, 2015. Bob graduated from Queen's University in chemical engineering and spent most of his working life in the Canadian Air Force, retiring after nearly 35 years as Lieutenant Colonel. One of his proudest tours was as a Flight Commander in the Voodoo fighter jets during the Cold War period.

HARRIS, Walter (1953) passed away on December 5, 2015.

KER, Audrey (Bull, 1950) passed away on July 25, 2015. After Lisgar, she graduated from the Royal Victoria Hospital School of Nursing.

LAAKSO, Lillian (1945) passed away on May 26, 2013.

LOW, David (1953) passed away on April 23, 2015. He studied chemical engineering at Queen's University, graduating at the top of his class, and was offered a scholarship to Cambridge University to do his PhD in physical chemistry. David joined the public service, becoming Assistant Secretary to Cabinet in the Privy Council Office and Deputy Secretary in the Ministry of State for Science and

Technology. He was also a Vice-President of Spar Aerospace and the inaugural General Manager of Radarsat International. In 1992, he co-founded Hickling Arthurs Low, a consultancy specializing in science and technology policy.

LUNNEY, Betty (Gervin, 1944) passed away on January 15, 2016. She was the sister of Bill (1943).

MCCARTHY, William (1945) passed away on September 25, 2015. After graduating from Lisgar, Bill joined the Canadian Navy and was stationed in England and Ireland. He graduated from Queen's University and attended teachers college in Toronto, teaching in Athens, Ontario, and then in Ottawa at Nepean High School. He served as Vice-Principal at Lisgar and Sir John A. MacDonald and Principal at Ridgemont and Woodroffe.

MELBOURNE, Ralph (1940) passed away on May 6, 2015.

NICOLL, Marion (Mansfield, 1937) passed away on January 30, 2016. She was a graduate of Miss Sadie Muirhead's Business School.

NICHOLSON, MaryAnne (1951) passed away on June 15, 2015. She attended Ryerson, taking radio and television arts. This led to a first career at CFRA Radio in Ottawa and then with the CBC in Toronto and Ottawa. Her second career was becoming the first librarian with the newly formed library

system in what is now West Carleton Township, based in Carp.

RACKOW, Phyllis (Fried, 1945) passed away on August 8, 2015.

ROUTHIER, Florian (teacher, 1981-1989) passed away on December 1, 2015. He taught French for many years at Sir Wilfrid Laurier and at Lisgar.

SCANLON, Joseph (1951) passed away on May 2, 2015. A graduate of the Carleton University School of Journalism, he worked for the Toronto Star as Washington correspondent during the early 1960s. He joined the Carleton faculty in 1965 and retired in 1990.

SCARABELLI, Arthur (1943) passed away on December 27, 2015, in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He graduated from McGill University in civil engineering, and his career took him all over the world, as well as to many large civic projects including the hydroelectric projects at James Bay and La Grande, Quebec.

SHAFFER, Milton (1934) passed away on July 28, 2015. He was a long-time supporter of Lisgar and its Alumni Association, and his retirement from the Alumni Association executive was the cover story of our Spring 2007 issue. Milton ran Shaffer's Limited, a clothing store on Rideau Street started by his father, until 1967.

SHARP, Ronald (1944) passed away on January 23, 2016. He played both basketball and football at Lisgar

and continued to play both sports for St. Pat's College and McGill University. He received degrees in math and physics and in physical education, and later obtained his MEd in educational administration. Ron was the first Canadian to move from amateur football to professional as St. Pat's Ottawa Trojans merged into the Ottawa Roughriders, then back to amateur when he played for McGill University. His career included teaching physical education at McGill, as well as coaching both their Redmen basketball and football teams. He finished his career as a high school principal in Montreal.

SMITH, Lois (Collard, 1948) passed away on May 28, 2015, in Seattle, Washington.

VON CRAMON, Dorothy (Short, 1951) passed away on April 6, 2015. Sister of Elizabeth (Betty) Goodson (1956) and Bob (1958), Dorothy played piano in a Lisgar trio with Diana Bacon (Middleton, 1951) and Emile Brown. ■



Milton Shaffer (1934) in our Spring 2007 issue.

Nominations Sought for Lisgar Athletic Wall of Fame

Player, competitor, builder, coach, official. Amateur, professional. Olympian, paralympian. The world of athletics includes many roles and a multitude of sports, and we are proud of those Lisgarites who have distinguished themselves through their achievements. The Lisgar Athletic Wall of Fame was established at our 160th anniversary reunion to honour alumni whose contributions deserve recognition, as well as to inspire current and future Lisgarites to participate in athletics and pursue excellence.

The twenty remarkable men and women who have been included in our first two inductions have made their mark in a wide range of endeavours, and in time periods spanning almost a century. While their full range of achievements cannot be listed here,



DISTINGUISHED IN SPORT: Lisgar's Athletic Wall of Fame recognizes twenty accomplished alumni.

they are as follows: Desmond Burke (1923, shooting), Petra Cada (1996, table tennis), W.G. "Bud" Clarke (1934, skiing), Blake Dunlop (1971, hockey), Joan Fisher (1967, track and field), Hugh Fraser (1970, track and field), Barclay Frost (1961, track and field and officiating), Margo Dewsnap (Green, 1991, squash), Anne Heggveit

(1957, skiing), Donald Jackson (1957, figure skating), Bruce Kirby (1948, sailing), Leszek and Danek Nowosielski (1987 and 1985, fencing), Paul Paddon (1965, football), Ralph St. Germain (1923, hockey), Alex Smith (1924, hockey), Nigel Stephens (1944, figure skating), Pat Stoqua (1976, football), Linda Thom

(1958, shooting), and Joe Zelikovitz (1934, football). More is detailed in the Fall 2004, Spring 2009, and Fall 2009 newsletters on our website.

At the 175th anniversary reunion in May 2018, a further induction will take place, and the organizing committee is once again seeking the help of our alumni in identifying possible candidates. The person you nominate could be a classmate, a grandparent, or even yourself—there are no restrictions beyond their association with Lisgar. If you have documentation to support the nomination, please submit it; if you have only a name to suggest, send it in and we will take things from there. Nominations will be accepted by e-mail at alumni@lisgar.net, or by mail. We would rather have too many nominations than miss someone deserving. ■

Lisgar Musical Ensembles Visit France and Belgium

Margot Gbersin

Months of preparation, anticipation, and excitement preceded this year's music trip to France and Belgium. We determined students in the Senior Wind Ensemble and the Senior Orchestra were ecstatic to embark on the journey of a lifetime, diligently fine-tuning and refining pieces as the ensembles polished our repertoire for performances in the heart of Europe. At long last, we all packed our luggage and began the adventure that would mark our high school career. Group leaders were assigned to collect passports at the airport, instruments big and small were carried across borders, and somehow we made it.

We began our tour in Brussels, and were fascinated with the beauty of the city, taking the opportunity to marvel at the stunning Grand Place and indulge in the delicious chocolate waffles. We performed in the auditorium of the Musical Instruments Museum downtown; its incredible acoustic quality made it a wonderful performance.

Continuing our tour, we travelled by bus to the Ypres Salient, beginning by touring Ypres—the majestic Cloth Hall towering above the bustling market was an awe-striking sight. When we visited the Menin Gate and the fields around it in daylight, we were lucky enough to have received booklets detailing the service of Lisgar students during the First World War, compiled by teacher Laura Mennill's stepmother. Inside were poems, including "In Flanders Fields," and short biographies of young men who had given their lives in the very region in which we stood. It was an emotional experience to recite the poetry together, and to find on the immense commemorative gate the names of those students who had served.

We also had the opportunity to perform in St. Martin's Cathedral, an imposingly frigid, beautiful architectural creation originally erected in the 11th century, but rebuilt after having been destroyed during the war. Playing there was unlike anything any of us had ever experienced: the way the sound from our instruments echoed

high above the turreted ceilings, reverberating to the heavens, was one that none of us will ever forget. Later that evening, the Wind Ensemble had the great fortune to be able to be the performing ensemble at the Menin Gate ceremony—one that has been going on since the end of the First World War. We played and laid wreaths as hundreds of people watched. The experience under the gate, where the names of the fallen soldiers were illuminated, was indescribable—the current Lisgar students had returned to honour their peers who had made the ultimate sacrifice. The Lisgar music program actually began during the war, so it was an amazing connection.

Our travels continued with a tour of Passchendaele, and with a simulated trench tour in Flanders. Later, we crossed into France and visited Vimy Ridge. Following this, we stayed for two nights in Amiens, performing in the Notre Dame d'Amiens cathedral. We then continued on to Paris, and enjoyed a magical time touring the City of Light and Love, doing a Bateau Mouche tour at night on the Seine,

having an exciting scavenger hunt in the Louvre, and taking tourist pictures at the Eiffel Tower.

The Lisgar music trip to France and Belgium will forever be etched into our memory—not only did we have fun, but we felt as though we had truly honoured the Lisgar spirit abroad, tying together important moments of our school's past with our hope for the future. ■



HONOURING FALLEN GRADS: Students performed and laid wreaths at the Menin Gate.

Interview with Former Mayor Jackie Holzman



RISING TO HIGH OFFICE: Jackie Holzman (Feldman, 1952) was Mayor from 1991-97.

When did you attend Lisgar, and what route did you take?

I attended Lisgar 1948-1952. My family lived in Sandy Hill, and I attended Osgoode Street Public School. During WWII, my father was in the Royal Canadian Air Force, and he was posted to Washington, DC, and I attended school there. During the polio scare, in 1942-1943, my mother took my sister and me to live in Winnipeg, and I went to school there. Upon returning to Ottawa in 1945, I attended Mutchmor and Glashan, prior to Lisgar.

What are your memories of Lisgar?

I remember so many wonderful Lisgar teachers—Mr. Mann, Miss F. Lee (we called her Flee), Miss Bishop, Miss Meech, Mr. Proctor, Mr. Fitzsimmons, Mr. McCarthy; Football Fridays and the Phi Chi Psi school cheer; morning assemblies and the Dancing Ball as we joined Betty Joe who sang “There’s A Rainbow Round My Shoulder”; Bernice Wong (Sim), Trevor Dick who was top of class, Alex Grey who died in the Korean War, Anita Steinberg (Shore) now in Toronto, Libby Pollock (Cape) now in San Francisco. I was in the B class stream throughout my years at Lisgar.

Do you stay in touch with any former classmates?

Anita Steinberg and Libby Pollock were bridesmaids at my wedding to

the late John Holzman, also a Lisgar grad. We still stay in touch and get together on important birthdays.

Did you go on and study further after Lisgar?

I did not go on to do post-secondary studies. I went to work at the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company for two years and in 1954 got married. I became a mother (of four) and an active volunteer. My goal throughout my life has been make a difference, for my family and for my community.

What path did your career follow?

I worked as a volunteer and at the Social Planning Council of Ottawa developing rehabilitation, housing, transportation services, and programs for persons with disabilities. The challenge was to remove barriers so that they could reach their maximum level of functioning. I later became Chair of the Royal Ottawa Hospital when we planned and constructed the Rehab Centre and new psychiatric facilities. I was Chair of the Ottawa Hospital Research Institute and the Canadian Cancer Action Network, and am now a Board member of the National Capital Commission. I believed in helping people to help themselves, to remove barriers and to make a difference.

What did you find most interesting in your role as Mayor of Ottawa?

I was elected Alderman in 1982 and served for nine years before being elected Mayor in 1991 and serving two terms, ending in 1997... a total of 15 years of service at City Hall. One of my primary roles was to promote Ottawa as Canada’s National Capital. I wanted all Canadians to come to Ottawa. I believe firmly in pride in the capital.

Do you recall any humorous incidents as Mayor of Ottawa?

I once wore the solid gold chain of the Office of Mayor to a major convention in Ottawa, and took it off at the end of the event only to find out when we returned home that my husband, who was driving that night, had placed the chain in its box on top of the roof of the car, temporarily, but forgot he had done so. We went back to where the

car had been parked and traced our route home. We found the links of the chain on the ramp to the Queensway. The press had fun with that story!

What life lessons have you learned along the way?

Don’t take yourself too seriously. Be flexible. Remember that everybody has strengths and weaknesses. The strengths of all people can be taken together and worked with for tremendously successful results to benefit everybody. Look for role models. My mother was my role model—a wonderful, hard-working, creative homemaker with magic fingers for knitting, crocheting, and sewing. Later in life, Jean Pigott was my role model, and I followed her in several organizations and offices.

What interests are you pursuing in retirement?

I keep busy with boards and organizations, helping to make a difference, fundraising for cancer research at The Ottawa Hospital Research Institute, and for hospice care at the May Court. I keep busy with family and we now have our first great-grandchild, who lives in the neighbourhood. We take holidays exchanging homes with fami-



CHAIN OF OFFICE: Official duties as Mayor.

lies from all parts of the world and have enjoyed a few cruises to interesting countries.

What career advice would you give to current Lisgar students?

Don’t limit yourself—dream big! Lisgar provides a very good foundation. Lisgar graduates can and have excelled in so many different fields. When opportunity knocks, answer. Always try to make a difference, and do it right here in Canada’s capital! ■



1952 VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONS: Jackie Holzman (Feldman) is back right. Also shown (left to right) are C. Hooper, L. Pollock, B. Gibson, K. Benedict, R. Pler, P. Jandrew, M. Barnes, and A. Steinberg.

From the Lisgar Archives: Notes from “Down Below”

Joy Heft

Inquiries of varying natures continue to cross the archival desk. One recent request, reminiscent of the theme of Robert Frost’s “The Road Not Taken,” came from Gordon Henderson (1950). Gordon had attended Kent Street School and had been told by one of his teachers there that he could surely attend university. Nearing completion of high school at Lisgar, he applied for the Hardie Scholarship, which he won. He did not accept it, however, opting instead for a scholarship to Columbia College, where he went on to complete a BA, MA and PhD. Mr Henderson’s curiosity was aroused when he began to ponder what he had turned down in not accepting the Hardie Scholarship, and he put in a request to learn what that might have been. The answer was found in the 1951-52 Annual Announcement of the Lisgar Collegiate Institute, which indicated the successful recipient would receive \$100 and free tuition for three years to the University of Toronto. Upon receiving a photocopy of the cover of the handbook and the page outlining the details, Mr. Henderson communicated

in a letter that it had given him “at least a year’s worth of pleasure... I am jumping for joy at my good fortune.” He has since become a life member of the Alumni Association and plans to attend the 175th anniversary reunion in 2018.

We continue to receive donations from alumni and their families. Anne Thackray (1969) donated two hand painted posters advertising the screening for the Latin Club of *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* starring Zero Mostel, Phil Silvers, and Buster Keaton. During the 1960s Anne and Deborah (Debby) Carver (1969) constituted the “Poster Club.” Both went on to careers in art—Deborah now owns Gallery 21 in Halifax, selling contemporary art, and Anne is an artist and art historian.

Another donation of yearbooks, photos, and newspaper clippings came from Kathy Dale Memme, whose parents, Douglas Dale and Elizabeth Thackeray, attended Lisgar together in the 1940s. Coincidentally, her father’s Grade 12 picture included classmate Colin Shaw (1942), whose son had visited the school last summer and had noted his father’s name plate was miss-



WWI SERVICE: Erland Perney (1913), whose name appears in Lisgar’s Memorial Hall, was the subject of recent archival research.

ing from the WWII veterans’ memorial. A plate has since been added to rectify this omission. We have also received another notification of a missing plate, this one for the Korean War plaque. It is never too late to honour our veterans or those who gave their lives in the wars.

Interest persists from many quarters regarding Lisgar veterans. Recently a picture of the WWI veterans’ plaque bearing the name of William Carden Cousens was sent to Michael St. George, of England. In addition, research was completed as a result of a request received from Mr. William Borland, also of the U.K., regarding Erland Perney, who attended Lisgar and lost his life during in the battle of Cambrai in WWI when attacked by enemy aircraft. One of the attackers was Lothar von Richthofen, brother of the Red Baron. Mr. Borland is researching an English soldier named Ewan John Blackledge, a British pilot accompanied by Erland during this flight. The remains of neither man were ever found. A scan of Mr. Perney’s student card was sent, along with pictures of the plaques bearing his name.

Finally, Ingrid Van de Walle (teacher 1998-2014), who has been assisting in the archives, recently scanned two photo albums, that of Dorothy Lee (1947), which was on loan from her daughter, and that of Eleanor Bates Dunn (1955), which was loaned for a reunion and had not yet been returned. We are grateful for the access to these records of the life and times of alumni. ■

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Pupils name in full: <i>Perney, Erland D'Auria</i>			
Date of Birth: <i>1895</i>		Date of admission to Institute: <i>5/10/08</i>	
Parent or Guardian: <i>E. C. Perney,</i>		Resident, or Non-Resident: <i>Res.</i>	
Address of Parent: <i>190 Rideau Street, Ottawa</i>		Occupation: <i>School Teacher</i>	
School Previously Attended: <i>Creighton St. School</i>		Religious persuasion: <i>Presbyterian</i>	
Entrance Examination—			
Place: <i>Ottawa</i>		Date: <i>1908</i>	
Marks (out of 50):	Reading: <i>32</i>	Writing: <i>45</i>	Dictation: <i>40</i>
(out of 100):	Arithmetic: <i>82</i>	Grammar: <i>87</i>	Composition: <i>74</i>
	Literature: <i>88</i>	Geography: <i>81</i>	Total: <i>526</i>
University, or Departmental Examinations. (Date, Name of University and Honor Standing): <i>Ontario Junior Matriculation - 1912</i>			
Number of days present — 1st year, 2nd year, 3rd year, 4th year, 5th year			
Date of leaving Institute: <i>1913</i>		Remarks: <i>Killed in action</i>	
Occupation selected: <i>Civil Service</i>			

A LIFE CUT SHORT: Erland Perney’s student record bears the concluding remark “killed in action.”

2015 Donors

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 Paul Bennett (1973)
 Brenda Bisiker (Hill, 1959)
 Janet Bourassa (1957)
 Arthur Bray (1943)
 Irene Broad (Woolford, 1943)
 Brian Burke (1974)
 Ronald Byrnes (1961)
 Lorna Calderwood (Graham, 1952)
 Janus Cihlar (1999)
 Jana Clarke (Stepan, 1959)
 Joan Doubt (Klass, 1961)
 Shannon Doyle (1968)
 Richard Drolet (1957)
 Ken Eades (1958)
 Heather Eberts (Vivian, 1967)
 Joel Edelson (1959)
 Lawrence Erwin (1941)
 Betty Forrest (Cracknell, 1936)
 Joan Gullen (Hanley, 1948)
 Gordon Henderson (1949)
 Bill Hines (1965)
 Linda Hodgins (1972)
 Neil Johnstone (1956)
 Allan Jones (1957)
 Crystal Kiez (1962)
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 Anne Wood (Tolmie, 1955)

Life Members

We are delighted to report that eleven alumni have become Life Members since the last issue of *Alere Flamman*:
 Joan Birbeck (1954)
 Constance Crompton (2000)
 Beverley Gershkovitch (Goldberg, 1958)
 Gordon Henderson (1949)
 Mitsuko Kawasaki (2001)
 Thomas Kovesi (1979)
 Bradley Meredith (1999)
 Eric Quon-Lee (1998)
 Jean Robillard (1976)
 Gregory Veevers (2012)
 Frank Volpi (1973)

Hold the Date!

175th Anniversary Reunion — May 4-6, 2018

Interested in joining one of the organizing committees?
 Write to us at alumni@lisgar.net, or come to the September 26 or November 28 planning meetings, in the school library at 7 PM

