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Teach Me Goodness, Discipline and Knowledge

TRADITION & CHALLENGES



As an Alumnus, I have many fond memories of my time at Assumption. Assumption provided me and thousands of others with many benefits and opportunities to reach our potential. Many of these opportunities would not have existed without the generosity of others who were in some way linked to the life of the school. Parents, alumni and staff have always supported, through time and material contributions, the pursuit of excellence in the Arts, Academics, Athletics and Spiritual Growth of our Assumption students. The names and faces of the

students are different but the mission is still the same and so are the needs. Ultimately, to ensure that the traditions continue, the beneficiary must become the benefactor. Yes, Assumption is fully funded by the Ministry of Education, but fundraising is still a very important part of the life of every school. Through fundraising, schools are able to provide the opportunities that would not otherwise exist, opportunities that can bridge the gap to excellence. To name a few examples, higher quality musical instruments, sports or stage equipment and cutting edge technology are most times only available through fundraising. In the pursuit of excellence in education, having the best resources and providing many unique opportunities for spiritual growth and learning would both benefit our existing students and further establish Assumption as the destination of choice for future generations. As we continue to build on the tradition established by the Basilian Fathers, we also continue to rely on the generosity of others for the benefit of our students and the future of Assumption and Catholic Education. I sincerely thank the many who continue to contribute to the mission of teaching Goodness, Discipline and Knowledge at Assumption College School. If you are thinking of contributing I invite you to visit or call the school.

In Christ,
Joseph Ibrahim
Principal



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 19, 2012 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!

PAST & PRESENT

If you could write a letter to a past teacher or friend at Assumption, what would you write? If that person had passed on ... what would be the reason? Perhaps to honour their contribution to your life, perhaps to lighten your soul of a less than found memory? Our Alumni President Hunt Hool takes on such a challenge in a letter to Fr. Larry Finke (1941-2006). You will find other tributes in this newsletter, all of them speaking of special people, loved ones and memories of Assumption.



Dear Fr. Finke:

I'm writing this letter, and subsequent article, because I am the President of the Assumption College High Alumni Association. Who would have "thunk" it? Just kidding, that was an intentional mistake for your pleasure. Just having fun, like the day I showed up to your grade 11 English class with a mock collared sweater. I didn't even get one foot into the classroom, when you quickly ordered me to 112 for a uniform violation. Yes, my father gave me a detention, even though he saw me wearing the sweater that morning at home. Somehow, I feel that you were waiting all year to nail me for something. I laugh about it still today, in your honour, because those were great days at ACH. I forgive you, the priest, and believe that all my sentence structure and punctuation is correct. Score: A+. Hunt Hool

President's Message

Now, on to important issues to be addressed - by the way, I heard that Grier, McCarthy, Blain, and Firman, ('79 classmates) got together the other day after many years. Sounds good.

Your Alumni Association has been working very hard, and meeting monthly. This is my invitation for any ACH alumnus to join, write articles for the Newsletter Committee, assist the Reunion Committee, the Information Committee (computers, website, emails, finding lost alumni), or just contributing fresh ideas. We are open and welcome to anyone, please let us know.

The committee is also looking for any volunteers to help organize the first reunion, Saturday, November 3rd 2012, of the first female graduates, class of '72, that had transferred from St. Mary's Academy. Forty years have passed. We recognize the historical change that occurred at Assumption College High in September 1971, when the school acquired its first female students. In fact, all St. Mary's graduates are invited. We are making attempts to contact some of the teachers from the Academy to join the celebration. There will also be a strong effort to reunite ALL staff to the reunion. Please contact the alumni office if you are interested in helping to organize the event. Thank you.

Lastly, on behalf of the committee and myself, I would like to thank Mark Fathers, '71, our treasurer for the past 10 years. You have been a very dedicated member, and we will miss you at the meetings. Thanks for all your time and hard work. We will see you at the reunions. P.S. I will still meet and talk with you at the back fence. Take care. Hunt Hool

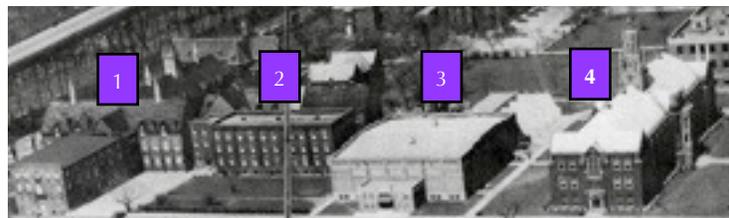
2011 – 40th Anniversary: St. Mary's Academy / Assumption College School



Part II

The construction of the Windsor-Detroit Tunnel was but one mitigating factor in choosing a new site for St. Mary's Academy in 1929. The city of Windsor itself had evolved from a waterfront port and railroad terminal along that waterfront, into a rapidly growing industrial community, with new businesses along the Ouellette Avenue corridor serving a growing population. St. Mary's Academy had been erected in an area in which was then the edge of the city (1870s). Its new 1929 site would also be erected on the outskirts of the expanding city in an area called Sandwich West. The growth of Windsor and its population made the demand for sound educational development necessary. Assumption College and its High School were housed in buildings facing Huron Church Road and the College felt the pressure of a growing enrolment. As a result, 1915-16 saw the building of St. Michael Hall as a student dormitory, then a gymnasium called St. Denis Hall (named after Fr. Denis O'Connor, Superior and the College's first President), a swimming pool and handball courts.

1920 marked the choosing of the school's motto and crest – Bonitatem et Disciplinam et Scientiam Doce Me – "Teach Me Goodness, Discipline and Knowledge". This motto is shared by all Basilian-run schools – from Sudbury, to Detroit, to Houston, Texas, etc. This is also the year a fellow by the name of Charles Armstrong showed up at Assumption College. The combined enrolment of the College and High School in 1926-27 was 260 boarding students and 200 day-scholars known more familiarly as 'flat-rats' and 'day-dogs', respectively. Facilities had to be shared in the crowded classrooms, labs, etc. As a result, 1927 saw the opening of a new, imposing structure complete with cupola, called Dillon Hall, to accommodate the High School. Rev. John Sloane CSB, became the first principal in exclusive charge of the High School. Rev. Daniel Dillon had been the Basilian Superior from 1922 to 1928 through whose efforts the new building had been decided and in whose honour Dillon Hall was named.



Assumption College/High School

1. South wing of the original building (+ central wing + Chapel in a North wing)
2. St. Michael Hall – student residence/dining hall
3. St. Denis Hall – gymnasium (pool in basement + outdoor handball courts)
4. Dillon Hall – High School (classrooms, labs, etc.)

The new St. Mary's Academy opened its doors for the new school term, September 3, 1929. This grand structure had a total capacity of 1200 students. The land for the Academy was donated to the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary by the real estate firm of Healy, Page and Chappus. The 23+ - acre site was located between Grand Marais and the fourth concession, west of Dougall Avenue, in what was then Sandwich West Township, bordering the city of Windsor. It rose from the plain of cornfields 'in splendid isolation', as described at the time, to be later encircled by a beautiful residential area with a wide Academy Boulevard leading to its gates

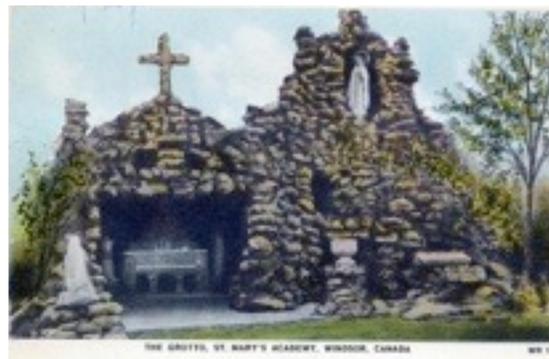
The immense structure, comprised four stories and basement, centered on a magnificent 100-foot tower, Gothic in design, and visible for miles around. More than one student could not resist the adventure of making her way to the top to enjoy a spectacular view despite the injunction by the Sisters against this.



An imposing staircase led to many reception areas and the central vestibule of Sacred Heart Chapel. The chapel, cathedral-like in appearance, also had a Gothic design and was comparable in size to St. Alphonsus Church. Its marble altars, stained-glass windows, etc., were generously donated by St. Mary's patrons.

The Academy boasted a 1,000 seat auditorium, complete with stage, theatre, orchestra pit, balcony and the finest acoustics. Elementary and High School students could





avail themselves of classes and studios for music, art, science, drama, languages, sculpture, etc. For the girls the emphasis was on the development of the total feminine personality and aimed to emphasize a woman's role in the world. Courses from kindergarten to College entrance were offered; the latter program eventually led to the establishment of Holy Names College in 1934.

Music and art studios were located on the second and third floors, along with chemistry and physics labs., a Commercial Department, recreation rooms, Home Economics Department, a 12,000 volume library, etc. The top floor was limited to large dormitories and private rooms for resident students. Boys, aged 5 to 12, were enrolled in Grade School classes.

The convent for the Sisters was located at the south end of the chapel. It is no wonder that St. Mary's drew large numbers from many cities across Canada, but also from the United States, Mexico, Haiti, South America, Europe and the Philippines. In 1934, St. Mary's extended its academic accreditation to the University level with the establishment of Holy Names College for women, affiliated with the University of Western Ontario through Assumption University. Sister Mary Electa, a noted educator, became the first Dean of Holy Names College. Electa Hall, a women's college residence, was named in her honour and still stands at the intersection of University and Patricia Avenues.

In 1950, Holy Names College was transferred to Assumption University. Like the Academy, Holy Names College was directed toward the harmonious blend of the spiritual and moral development of the feminine personality. In 1962, the Holy Names College faculty was absorbed into Assumption University as the Holy Names Sisters no longer had the personnel to run the College.

A hallmark of St. Mary's Academy was a grotto dedicated to Our Lady of Lourdes erected in 1916 on the Academy grounds. When the land was sold in 1928, the grotto was dismantled and re-erected on the new Academy property.

The statue of Our Lady was a gift of the Alma Mater Association (alumnae of the Academy)

Through the financial struggles and dropping enrollment of the Great Depression to the whirlwind changes brought on by W.W. II and the post-war boom years, both schools reeled with the forces of modernization and rapid social change which world events foisted on these institutions. They had to adjust to new expectations for a better trained and more highly educated population. Unfortunately, cultural and traditional approaches to lay and religious life were less and less appealing while utilitarian values replaced some of them.

Both schools had played their part in the war effort with their graduates joining the military, replacing workers in factories preparing the necessities of war, etc. The Academy building itself was seen as potentially suitable for civil defense needs. Some simpler needs were also met with the huge wartime gardens prepared by the Sisters, special retreats in Sacred Heart Chapel and ongoing Saturday morning economics classes by visiting Assumption College professors.

Assumption College grew rapidly in the post-war years to the point where Dillon Hall was used more and more by the University students. The Basilian Fathers anticipated a future move (1955) to a South Campus, the present site of Assumption College High School.

St. Mary's Academy did not fare as well in its enrollment. The traditional role of women in society and in religious life underwent a change that was nothing short of revolutionary. Major social change, such as women working in factories, in the military, new political rights, etc., drew women more and more into occupations once taken solely by men. The Civil Rights Movement in the United States, the Quiet Revolution in Quebec, the Women's Movement, powerful Labour Unions, etc. and for the Church, the Second Vatican Council called by Pope John XXIII, all impacted the 50s, 60s and 70s. Opportunities, for women in particular, partially explain the changes leading to fewer and fewer novices in religious life at the Academy and fewer scholastics at Assumption College.

From Joseph Ibrahim '86 at the reunion on Nov. 4th, 2011

As the Principal of Assumption, it is my pleasure and honour to welcome you back for a wonderful evening to reconnect and reminisce with friends here at the Annual Assumption Reunion.

In the past two months, I have discovered that although most of the staff and all of the students have changed, the spirit established by the Basilians, and faithfully carried out by many, remains. Recognizing and working toward the fulfillment of this call by maintaining a strong commitment to Catholic education is more important than ever. Now more than ever, our students and our World need Catholic education, need Assumption College Catholic High School. So what is special about Assumption? Of course, there are many things and I will not try mention them all, except for History. I am sure you will agree that Assumption has a rich history. I am also sure you would agree that it is a history that must be remembered. It must be passed on. It cannot be a simple matter of record but a living foundation to anchor our mission, our purpose. The students of today and the students of tomorrow need that connection. We are all part of that History and it is part of my plan to further the partnership with our Alumni Association and you to continue to build this anchor. With your help, I hope to ensure that the students of today and tomorrow know that by living the motto, "Teach me goodness, discipline and knowledge" they will join a community that not only lived it but were made better for it.

In closing I want to come back to the question, "What made Assumption special for you?" Think about it, you will certainly be talking about it and if you wish to share, the students have a video camera set up in the main foyer to collect your thoughts. The hope is to share this video with our students and school community. (Check it out at our Utube channel <http://www.youtube.com/user/acspurpleaiders> Assumption Student Success Video October 2011.)

I want to thank the Alumni Association for their tireless work in keeping us connected and for organizing this reunion. Also, the staff and students of Assumption who volunteer to make this evening a success. Also, allow me to offer a special thank you to the Basilian Fathers, who established and worked to make Assumption such a positive influence in all of our lives.

I wish you all a beautiful evening. Our Lady of Assumption, pray for us.

Ode to Joe

Dr. Joseph R. Borecz M.D., F.R.C.S. (C)

*Joe died in Naples Florida on Wednesday January 19th 2011. He was the loving husband of Anita, and, an extraordinary father to Kathleen, Denyse and Steven.
Joe, Son, Sub-Lieutenant (University Naval Training Division), Husband, Father, Dr. B., Physician, Surgeon, Musician, Friend, Proud Papa.*

A Technicolor dream coat of all that is Good.

*When someone you love dies, your heart breaks.
It's a fact.
And so it is with Joe.*

My father was a Gentleman, a Prince among Princes.

Joe was a first generation Canadian-Hungarian, an only child born to Margaret and Joseph Borecz on September 25th 1937.

*Remember Borecz Furniture?
"461 Wyandotte East, Corner Glengarry" the promotional poster read. I love that poster for its simplicity. In those days a full bedroom suite could be purchased for \$114.⁷⁷.*

*St. Angela Grade School, Benjamin Avenue, Ottawa Street and Assumption College High School.
Stick hockey and hanging out,
Basketball, football and prayer.*

Al Gatti, Tony Cusinato, Mike Fenchak, Davey Paron, Gary Docherty, Pete Antaya, Tony Mariotti...

The 7-Ties, Hunkies, Polaks and Slavs... united in their garlicky breath, they found common ground on the sports fields facing off and swapping stories of their hopes, fears and dreams.

*A loyal group forever, defining their turf, forging their future,
creating a Lifetime.*

*Later... exaggerated stories of a missed birdie and a "close"
Hole in One...
Cold beers and Good Times...
Amen!*

*Our father understood everything that was important in life.
Isn't that nice.
Most of us never figure it out.
For most of us, the Winds of Time blow through each generation with such velocity that there is no time left To Be.
Not Joe.
His was a stillness that teased the wind into a gentle breeze and comforted your soul.*

*Joe was a Prince among Princes.
Humanity's Shining Star...
An earthly manifestation of Hope, Faith, Love and Courage.*

*It's impossible to think of Joe without connecting him with his wife, Anita.
The two go hand in hand.
Joe and Anita.
Silent Strength + Dynamic Energy = Shining Stars.*

Together they set off for the University of Ottawa, Montreal and Albany New York. Never wavering in their devotion to each other's unique needs and aspirations, they held fast through Joe's medical studies, three children and law school for Anita, all the while navigating Joe's exceptionally long history of Open Heart Surgery and Angioplasty.

For 51 years Anita and Joe wove together a rich tapestry of family, love, travel, music and friendship.

In the presence of his three children, Kathleen, Denyse and Steven, this Prince among Princes became a servant. A gentle, loving Dad, he wiped tears, healed hurts and diligently made lunches every morning. Joe chauffeured, cozied and catered to his brood with the same single minded devotion that he brought to the operating room.

*I remember my father's pride as he escorted us to the Catholic Women's League Spring Fair...
Deep fried donuts
Tissue paper flowers
Goodness Discipline and Knowledge...
Generation to generation.
That's Joe.*

Joe could easily and accurately explain tussilectomies, tectonic plates, aerodynamics and World War I and World War II to his 7 adoring grandchildren...without consulting Wikipedia!

*To say Joe loved deeply, is to underestimate the significance of both Love and Deeply.
He lived life to the fullest.
He lived each and every moment in Time.
He was present, listening, encouraging...comforting in his silence.*

*Truly, Joe fought the good fight.
He finished the course.
He kept the Faith.*

Veni, vidi, vici.

Denyse L. Borecz August 2011





ACS Principal, Joseph Ibrahim '86 with Pat Keane '56

Plaque Unveiling Ceremony for Pat Keane

January 31, 2012

Thank you for attending this special occasion. As the current principal of Assumption, I am honoured to be with you this evening. Assumption's motto, Teach me Goodness, Discipline and Knowledge has been a motto of action for over 140 years. Accordingly, it has been noted by many that Assumption, one of the flagship schools of Catholic Education in Ontario, is built on a rich tradition and history. This is certainly true, and we are the beneficiaries but to guarantee our future we must also be benefactors of the same sacrifice and service that began the vision that is Assumption College.

The future is guaranteed by the hard work, dedication and insight of individuals committed to the vision established long ago by the Basilian Fathers. In its history, Assumption has been blessed with these individuals and as the principal of Assumption it is my privilege tonight to bring thanks, personally and on behalf of the Assumption community, to one such individual, Mr. Pat Keane. Mr. Keane, himself an Assumption Alumnus, was also an active member of the Dads' club and his 4 children attended and graduated from Assumption. Mr. Keane, as a Trustee, then served and supported the Assumption College community for 28 years, faithfully representing the interests of Catholic Education and our school community and supporting our programs through his presence and encouragement.

Mr. Keane for your dedication and service to Assumption I am honoured to present to you this plaque that will serve, today and for days to come, as both a reminder and an inspiration to others to carry on the work of the Basilians, the work of Assumption and Catholic Education. Thank you for helping us to continue to teach Goodness, Discipline and Knowledge.



Alumni President Hunt Hool locates missing '73 ACH graduate, Tom Manherz, in Cape Coral, Florida.

Patrick Keane '56, Honoured

Soon every student at Assumption Catholic High School in Windsor will know the name Patrick Keane. The Windsor Essex Catholic District School Board unveiled a plaque in the retired trustee's honour on Tuesday, Jan. 31st, 2012. The plaque hangs in the hallway of Assumption High, just across from the Armstrong Gym. The plaque has the following inscription: "In grateful recognition for twenty eight years of dedicated service to Catholic education in Windsor and Essex County. Assumption College school owes its survival and growth in no small part to ward 2 trustee Patrick Keane." Pat was first elected as trustee in 1982 and served as chair and vice-chair over the 28 years. He retired in 2010.

Probably the most time he spent at Assumption was with the Dads' Club, working along side Fr. Agius and later Fr. Stortz raising funds in the name of the Basilians for the needy students of Assumption. Another stretch was in the 80s working along side of Fr. Matt Sheedy and Fr. Wilf Janisse who both represented Assumption and served on the Catholic High School Board.

Personal life: He married Georgina Goulette, a Corpus Cristi graduate at Holy Name of Mary Church on November 4th, 1961. They have 4 children and 8 grandchildren. All four children graduated from Assumption as well.

Pat (Jr.) '80, is a staff sergeant with the Windsor Police Service heading up the victim services unit. He is married to Michelle Sprague Keane, a principal with the Greater Essex County District School Board. They have 3 children, Connor, Callum and Noah.

Dan '82, teaches at St. Thomas Aquinas Secondary School in London and is married to Maria Sanchez Keane. They have 4 children Monica, Daniel, Christina and Gabriella.

Kevin '84, is a detachment commander with the RCMP in Salmon Arm, British Columbia. He and his wife Rhonda have 1 girl, Meghan.

Karen '86, teaches at our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Windsor and is married to Mark Lambert. Mark is a utilities manager in the engineering department at the University of Windsor.



Georgina and Patrick Keane

The Assumption Student Rosary club will be visiting seniors' homes as part of their missionary outreach. They are planning a rosary march in May to the university.

The rosary club visited the grade schools during exam week to teach the rosary.

Alumni Homecoming Saturday, November 3rd, 2012

Calling all former students, friends of Assumption, their wives, husbands, etc., to a gala evening on Saturday, Nov. 3rd, 2012. Join us for Mass at 7:00 p.m. in our very own chapel, then enjoy a cool cocktail in the Armstrong Gym along with delectable, multicultural appetizers prepared by the 'High Skills' major students of the culinary Arts Department (led by Chef Diane Nehmetallah). Connect with your classmates, other alumni and former staff members. Class pictures begin at 8:30 p.m. with the class of 1947 and 1952.

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 or email Lil Dumouchelle at achalumni@gmail.com.

So far, the following have generously volunteered to be a class contact for the following Grad Years:

1957	Harry Parkolab	519-735-2833	hparkolab@cogeco.ca
1962	Ian Chippett	519-734-6993	chip-24@hotmail.com
1967	PLEASE VOLUNTEER	E-Mail Lil Dumouchelle at	achalumni@gmail.com
1972	Bruno Limarzi	519-972-7655	
1977	Mary McNamara Cezanne (Nassr) Charlebois	519-966-1437 519-438-7000 Toll Free 877-925-7070	mary_mcnamara@wecdsb.on.ca 519-317-5970
	Merenie Crosby Tony Quaglia	519-562-0933	merenicrosby@gmail.com tony_quaglia@wecdsb.on.ca
1982	Piero Aversa Michelle (Markham) Hadrian Lisa Pavan	519-734-6483 519-982-4793 Facebook: Assumption High School Class of 1982	m.hadrian@hotmail.com
1987	Sal and Rosa (Grilli) Albano	519-734-8081 Facebook: Assumption High School Class of 1987	newdim@sympatico.ca
1992	PLEASE VOLUNTEER	Contact Lil Dumouchelle at Facebook: Assumption High School (Windsor) Class of 1992	achalumni@gmail.com
1997	PLEASE VOLUNTEER	Contact Lil Dumouchelle at	achalumni@gmail.com
2002	PLEASE VOLUNTEER!	YOUR TIME CAPSULE WILL BE OPENED. COME AND SEE WHAT'S IN IT!!!!!!	

See you all on **Nov. 3rd, 2012!!**

**REUNION SCHEDULE
Sat. Nov. 3rd, 2012**

7:00 P.M.
HOLY MASS (in school CHAPEL)
This will fulfill your Sunday obligation

We invite all Priests in Attendance to Concelebrate

7:45 p.m.
Cocktails in Armstrong Gym & featuring International Appetizers

8:30 p.m.
Class Pictures in Armstrong Gym
(Starting with class of '47 & '52)

7:45 p.m. - 12:30 a.m.
Good Fellowship in Armstrong Gym

Cover Charge \$10.00 at the door
NO RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

IMPORTANT NOTICE

TO INSURE YOU CONTINUE TO RECEIVE THE NEWSLETTER, YOU MUST CONTACT US. CALL US AT 519-256-7801 EXT 299 OR E-MAIL to achalumni@gmail.com for more information.

PLAN AHEAD FOR THE REUNION

2012 Saturday, Nov. 3rd featuring grad years ending in 2 or 7
2013 Saturday, Nov. 2nd featuring grad years ending in 3 or 8
2014 Saturday, Nov. 1st featuring grad years ending in 4 or 9
2015 Saturday, Nov. 7th featuring grad years ending in 5 or 0

Contributions Received January to December 2011

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 the calendar year 2011/12.

Thank you for your contribution.

Bellehumeur, Don	Haggarty, Dr. John M. FRCP	Mascarin, Dr. T. A.
Bernik, John	Hickey, Charles Ed	McMahon, George
Birch, Cecil M.	Hool, Hunt	McTavish, William
Birch, Michael A.	Hool, Jack	Miller, David William
Britton, Robert	Hucker, Patrick C. Sr.	Monforton, Paul R.
Cicchini, Julius	Jeffrey, Ronald	Ouellette, Jerry, A.
Donald, Judge Richard H.	Jewell, Greg	Paolatto, Lisa, Ann
Dumouchelle, Richard	Jolie, J. Ernest	Papp, George Peter
Dumouchelle, Liliana (Caira)	Jolie, Joseph L.	Rouble, John F.
Dupont, Dr. Frank	Keils, John Eugene	Ruel, Robert G.
Fisher, Richard Joseph	Klamt, Ronald	Ryan, Gary C., Mary (Terry)
Fleming, Lenora (Slongo)	LePage, Clare	Vincent, Raymond J
Ganem, Phil	Loving, Joseph H	Youngblood, Lawrence
Haggarty, James	Marrocco, Frank	

We wish to acknowledge other individuals who have contributed to the Alumni Association this past year.

Armaly, James	DuPerron, David	Reynolds, Philip
Broughton, Sean Allen	Hannan, John L.	Souliere, Ray
Caira, Pietro	Kwiatek, Michael Anthony	Stokes, Louis
Case, Ozelle (Patolot)	Ladouceur, Richard	Venerus, Carolina (Caira)
Cundari, Joseph	Marentette, Lawrence G.	Winkel, Tom
Dondero, Mary (in memory of Tom)	Matz, Joe	

L E T T E R S

Dear Fr. Q. Johnson, C.S.B.

Thank you so much for contributing to Assumption High School and making the Fr. Q. Johnson Award that I received this year possible. Your generosity means so much and I am truly grateful.

This is my first year attending St. Clair and I am majoring in Nursing. Education is very important to me and I'm delighted it's important to you as well. Without your contributions, I would not have been able to attend St. Clair College.

Thank you again and please pass on my gratitude to all those who so generously support Assumption High School students.

Sincerely, Mary Grace Badian, Class of 2011



The Assumption Alumni Association respects the privacy and sensitivity of personal information. We do not sell or trade mailing lists to other organizations.

ASSUMPTION COLLEGE HIGH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE

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 Mark Fathers, Denis Malette

ANNUAL REUNION A GREAT SUCCESS!!

It looks like the second year of the new reunion format is a success! Mass was celebrated at 7:00 p.m. followed by the enjoyment of refreshments and appetizers prepared and served by our 'high skills' culinary students under the tutelage of chef and teacher, Diane Nehmetallah. Afterwards, Alumni gathered for their class picture and supplied us with great cheers for all to hear.

Thanks to all the staff and students at Assumption who helped with the set-up and execution of all aspects of the reunion: Fr. Q. Johnson, C.S.B. for celebrating a beautiful mass in the chapel with us, welcoming of alumni by the new principal, Joseph Ibrahim '86; registering committee of Pauline Kenney, Lois Comartin, Sue Rau, Louise Kelly, Anna Sisti, Ania Grabka, Doris Lescanec, and Sue Walker who immensely enjoy returning every year to greet you and "catch up news" with you.

Refreshment tickets - Laurie Browning and Pauline Kenney, faithful team! Diane Nehmetallah and the students of the Culinary Arts Program and staff of St. Basil's Grill, who prepared, served and cleaned up after serving the appetizers.

Photos – Tom Sobocan '80, Peter Scarpelli '61 and Rick Dumouchelle '74 for getting you to smile for that group picture. (For your own copy of any picture taken at the reunion, please check the alumni website at www.achalumni.ca.)

Decorations, Posters, Pictures, Plants, etc. etc., - Linda Presello, '81 and her assistants, Lil Dumouchelle '75 and the students from Miss Sisti's 3rd Period Gr. 12 Religion class.

Denise Hebert '81, our libations engineer and her husband, Matt Janisse, who took care of every detail for the bar and the bartenders (ACH staff and alumni) Kevin Peltier '80 and his wife, Sherri (former ACH main office secretary), Kevin Roberts '79, current ACH staff - Bryan Dufour, Steve Bauer, Mark Gillis and Theresa Lukas, and finally, Sara and Albert Dumouchelle (Rick and Lil's children).

Come on out for the next reunion, **Sat. Nov. 3rd, 2012. GO RAIDERS!!!!**



Pictured left to right: Phil Seguin '80, Kelsey Rhude, Nicole Taylor, Paul Pavel, Nick Petrescu, Cody Radoiu, Bryan Tran, Brian Zanier

Windsor Symphony musician, Stratford Shakespeare Festival trumpeter, and York University instructor, Philip Seguin (class of '80), held a guest master-class for the music students in November at Assumption. He worked with several students individually, helping them to refine their musical skills. Mr. Seguin shared with them several technical tips and insights that he learned over the years as a professional musician. He wrapped up his time with the students by encouraging them to always strive for their personal best and to never give up when facing difficulties. During his time with the students, Phil also shared some of his memories of being a student in the Assumption music program under the direction of Henry Boon and Gil Grossutti.

Phil was happy to see that the music program is still going strong today, with a full concert band, jazz band, and choir. "I have so many fond memories of my high school years at Assumption. Just being here today spending time around these wonderfully talented students reminds me of how fortunate I was to have had the opportunity of a complete education that included music. I had great teachers in all disciplines. I also had a tendency to drift toward the artistic side of the curriculum.

Henry Boon instilled in me the importance of rhythm and the absolute necessity of learning scales and practising them... Daily! His uncompromising attention to detail has had a profound effect on me as a musician.

Gil Grossutti's Senior Band was always the last period: I couldn't wait to get there all day! He was, and still is, a first class professional musician. His love and enthusiasm for music was infectious and touched all of his students. Additionally, I can't say enough about Fr. Gerry Dillon's contribution to school spirit through his tireless musical direction of the Pep Band. Who knew that the tunes we had to memorize more than thirty years ago would come in handy all these years later and all the years along the way? Heck, they were more than thirty years old then! Thanks, Doc. I consider all three of these men my mentors."

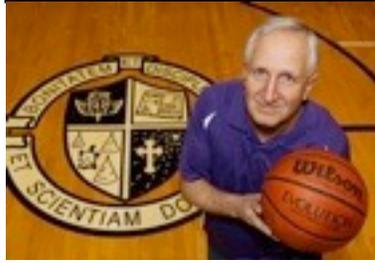
"The students were really impressed with him," said current music teacher Brian Zanier. "They all learned something today. It's great to see former students coming back to Assumption and giving back to the school as alumni. It helps the students realize that they are part of a bigger community. The students often hear about the wonderful history of academic and athletic excellence for which Assumption is known, and they are quite impressed and proud to learn that its musical history is just as long and rich."



Thank You to All ACH Staff who Helped (for example)
Above: Denise Hebert, Linda Presello (Lesperance) '81 and Diane Nehmetallah
Below: Mark Gillis, Steve Bauer and Theresa Lukas



Pauline Kenney and Laurie Browning- Faithful perennial helpers modeling the book. Makes you want to buy one, doesn't it?

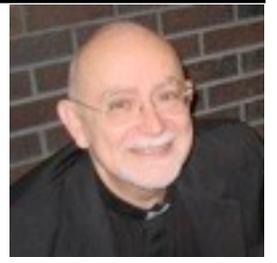


STEVE CHEVALIER RETIRES

The Windsor Essex Catholic District School Board is down a Chevalier. Steve Chevalier called it a career Tuesday (Jan. 31st, 2012) walking out of Assumption as a staff member one final time after 34 years as a distinguished math teacher and a worthy coaching

opponent. "It's a weird feeling," said the 57-year-old, who has had the pleasure of watching his daughter Danielle and son Nick join the board as teachers at St. Anne. "But I felt it was my time and I'm at peace with my decision." Chevalier taught and coached basketball at Cardinal Carter and St. Anne prior to spending the last seven years as a department head at Assumption in charge of the baccalaureate program in math. He has been recognized by the Ontario math teachers association for his innovations and excellence and he was one of the main organizers behind bringing the Ontario Association for Mathematics Education conference to Windsor last year. Through the years, Chevalier has coached both boys and girls at the high school level and travel basketball with the Riverside Falcons. Not interested in being the focus of a traditional retirement bash, Chevalier initially tried to talk his family, including wife Mary Kay, out of one until they hit on a format he found appealing. "When they floated the idea of making it a fundraiser, I thought it was a great idea," said Chevalier, who has also had a long involvement with amateur baseball in Woodslee. Family, friends, co-workers and students present and past attended the Emeryville Knights of Columbus Hall on March 3rd, 2012 where all proceeds from the evening were donated to the three basketball programs he guided so diligently at Assumption, Cardinal Carter and St. Anne. "He doesn't like being the centre of attention," Danielle said. "But when we knew he was retiring, we had to do something. He touched the lives of a lot of people. He was OK with a fundraiser. Basketball, like any athletics, you're tight for money." The event was a huge, sold-out success. As for the future, Steve is hardly destined for a rocking chair. As a certified trainer in the baccalaureate program, he's already booked to do math workshops in Tennessee and Brazil later this spring and he's also trained to be an independent baccalaureate marker. "I'm going to travel around the world for the next few years," he said. "I'm going to keep busy but it will be on my own terms." He also hasn't closed the door completely on coaching, perhaps even at the side of Nick who is the head coach of the senior boys' team at St. Anne.

Fr. Ron Stephens '62 retired for about six months from everything except his parish work at St. Andrew's Parish in Warrenton, VA. It didn't last long, though, and teaching called him again in two ways. "I began to teach drama again at a small 'after-school' private school called Treehouse for Creative Kids. I teach Drama and Creative Writing to all levels of students, something I have always loved doing. I also got the opportunity to write curriculum for the drama program from beginner's to advanced. I really enjoyed that process.



In August, a chance came up to take a course to get certified in inspecting new teachers in Washington, DC schools. In order to improve education in DC, the Board had a program to bring people out of other industries and jobs and into teaching. Because they don't follow a traditional route into teaching, the new teachers were trained, but someone needed to follow up and inspect. So, a company out of Chicago was hired to do the inspections and improvement reporting. Since I had been doing this for many years, I thought it might be a way to help improve education in one of the most difficult educational communities. That job finished up in November of last year.

Parish work has been challenging and interesting. Fr. Ron's homilies are posted each week at <http://fatherronstephens.wordpress.com/> and over the past three years readership is now often over a thousand. "I am humbled by the experience and the positive feedback that I get from so many people. At the same time, it is exciting to reach so many people, and not just the small parish community that I service. I also get to do a lot of weddings, preach retreats and do Lenten programs, etc. In my spare time, I continue my singing by doing Concert programs of religious music for senior citizen homes in the area. Not too bad for my 45th year in education, I guess!

I was in Windsor at Christmas and helped celebrate my mother and father's 70th wedding anniversary (Wilbert, 1939) and hope to be in Windsor for my 50th Reunion which is coming up, and look forward to seeing old friends."

CLASS OF '77
Our 35th Anniversary of Graduation, this Nov. 3rd. We are open to offers and suggestions for our celebration. See contact info on page 6.

Golf this year is the 32nd ANNUAL FR. SHEEDY MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT
Roseland Golf Course Saturday JUNE 2, 2012.
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On Friday, February 17, 2012 the Assumption debate team headed to the University of Windsor's Odette School of Business for the Richard Peddie High School Debate Competition. As Windsor's largest debate tournament, the field of 36 teams from 10 schools was very deep and talented. The tournament consisted of 4 rounds of debates; 2 spontaneous and 2 research. The research topics involved the economic viability of building an additional border crossing between Windsor and Detroit and whether being selfish is a necessary element to any successful economic system. Equipped with weeks of research, our Raiders all performed with amazing proficiency.

When it was time to hear the results, the purple and white were called time and time again! The best rebuttal award went to Norman Nehmetallah. Our team of Michele D'Agnillo, Paul Pavel, Ryan Lefebvre and Julia Ho placed 2nd overall. This is an amazing feat for the team of mostly grade 10 students! First place honours (for the 4th consecutive tournament) went to ACS's Daniella Pallisco, Kaitlyn Meloche, Laura Limarzi and Norman Nehmetallah.

In the past 5 years, Assumption's debate team has entered 14 local debate tournaments and won first place 11 times. This is a testament to the depth of the team. In particular, Tyler Tesolin and Kacper Klimski's contributions to the team's research were critical to our overall success.

A special thanks to Diane Nehmetallah, Kim Pearce and Bea Patterson for their contributions as well!

2011 Can Drive Results

Total collected: 35, 730

Winning class: Mr. Bottos with over 5,000 cans
 2nd place: Mme Paciocco with over 4,000 cans
 3rd place: Ms. Antaya with over 3,000 cans
 See Utube channel for more details
<http://www.youtube.com/acspurple RAIDERS>



Blood Drive produced just under 50 units of blood which in turn can save about 150 lives. Way to go Raiders!!



Majitmafoofoo was also a huge success due to the efforts of student council under the direction of Mr. Malloy.



"Thank You"

To Assumption students for folding the newsletters and to Mrs. Pauline Kenney for labeling them. Thank you also to Denis Malette and Pauline for proof-reading the newsletter.



Remembrance Day service was extremely well done under the direction of Mr. Conlon & Mrs. Presello.



The Assumption Purple Raiders won their first hockey title since 1989

with a 5-0 victory against Kennedy on March 6, 2012 at Adie Knox Arena in the Cullen Division best-of-three final series. Will Verberg earned the shutout for the Purple Raiders, who won the series 2-1. Andrew Aversa, D.J. DeLisle, Garrick Loewen, Chris Hebert and Christian Wrona scored goals. "We probably played our best game of the year," said Hebert, the captain and one of eight graduating players. "We really wanted to win one of these championships. It was an awesome way to end things here." Loewen, who added two assists, said the team got off to a fast start Tuesday. "We scored a goal with nine seconds left in the first period," Loewen said. "They took a few runs at us but we were able to finish them off."



Julie Bevacqua was selected as a 1st team ALL CITY basketball team member for the Sr. Girls. The Sr. girls had a successful season with 8 wins and 2 losses in the regular season. They were ousted in the playoffs by L'ESSOR.

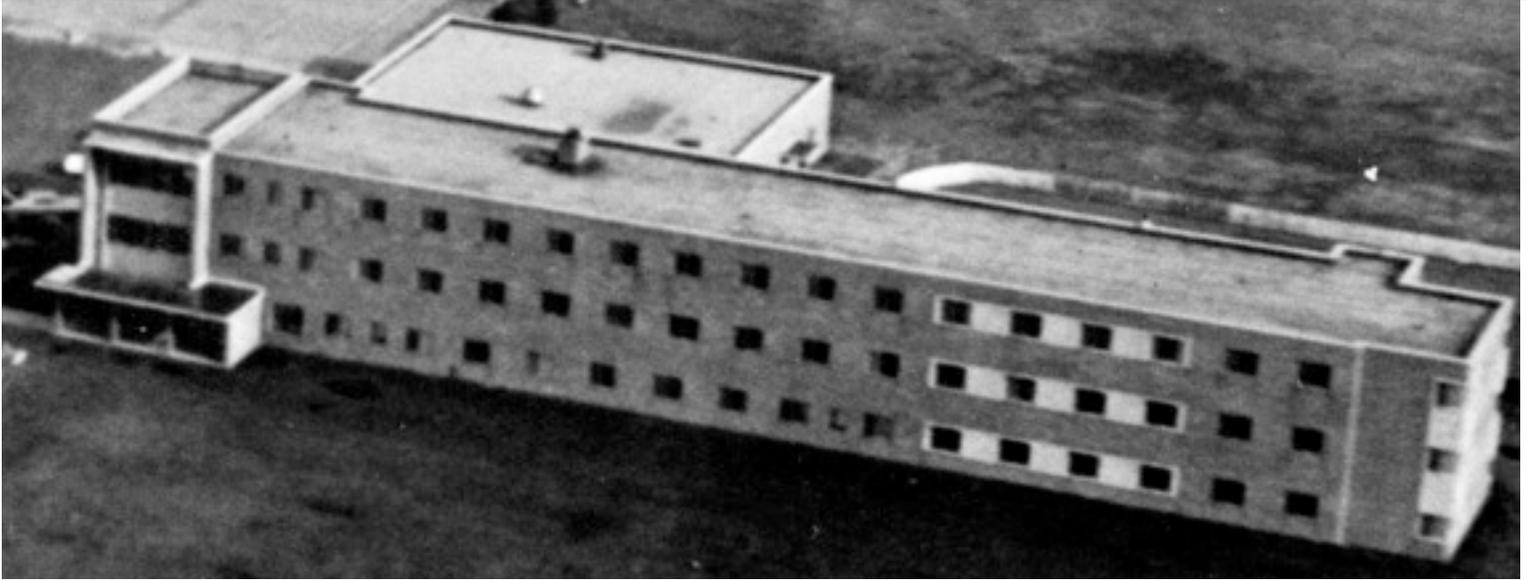
YOU GOTTA SEE THIS

School spirit is at a tremendous high, thanks to the work of student council. They worked together to organize, film and produce a LIP DUB to raise school spirit. Many thanks to the staff and volunteers who helped make this possible especially Nicolina Paciocco and Emily Labute and her husband who provided his services to film and edit production. View video at HYPERLINK <http://www.youtube.com/acspurple RAIDERS>

Check out Assumption's Official Utube Channel. You'll find the lipdub that Student Council organized last fall along with other videos such as Can Drive Kickoff, Student Success Video (includes "What I like about Assumption") and more!



REMEMBER WHEN ?



25 year Anniversary of Boarder Residence Closing

In June of 1987, a 117-year tradition ended at Assumption when the boarders' residence closed.

Since Assumption's beginning, an estimated 10,000 students have gone through the boarders' residence - 80% from the United States, 10% from Northern Ontario and the rest from other foreign countries such as China, Japan, The Bahamas, Trinidad, etc.

The parents of the boarder students sent their sons to Assumption for a variety of reasons - some had been discipline problems at home, some had trouble studying while at home, some were from one parent families who couldn't find the time to supervise their children, some did not have access to a Catholic High school in their area, and some just because they knew that Assumption was a great school with a great reputation for academics and discipline.

Fr. Cullen, principal at the old college from 1954-1957 and dean of the St. Joseph's residence from 1957-1978, said the residence program was being scrapped because of the provincial government's full funding of Catholic schools back in the mid 80s. If the program had continued, Fr. Cullen had estimated that the total cost to resident students would have topped \$10,000 per year - far beyond the means of the people that the Basilian Fathers existed to serve.

The boarders' residence was demolished in 1997 but the recreation hall was renovated in 2005 and is now the home of the technical studies program. The Alumni Association still receives letters from many resident students reminiscing about the positive influence that the Basilian Fathers had on so many of

them. Many say that they are forever indebted to the Basilian Fathers for the goodness, discipline and knowledge that they gained while attending Assumption.

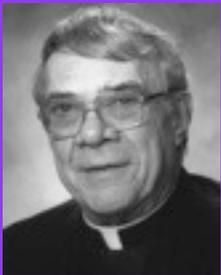
Remember when - the boarder residents were called 'flat rats' (because they lived on different floors or flats of the residence and it rhymed) and the day students were called 'day dogs'?

Remember when - the boarder residents had to follow a strict schedule and if they did not follow the rules they were given demerits? Demerits were marks or points placed against the boarder's record for some fault or offence (such as being late for study hall, not making their bed, talking back to their dorm supervisor, smoking on campus, breaking curfew, missing room check, etc.). Being off campus illegally was a big time offence - the minimum punishment was losing a weekend home. The resident student or boarder was allowed two weekends home automatically and could earn more weekends home by staying out of trouble, getting good reports from teachers or being an "A" student. If you accumulated more than 50 demerits and didn't work them off, you would lose another weekend home. Demerits could be worked off by doing any kind of physical work, like picking up the garbage around the school, working on the ball diamond or ice rink, washing windows, etc.

Remember when - the resident students' meals were served in the cafeteria by Versa Foods and that they had to sit separately from the day students because their food was covered by their tuition and that they were expected to wear a dress shirt and tie?

The life of a boarder may have seemed hard or strict but in the end, the boarders realized that the Basilian Fathers were working 100% in their favour. As Ken Kelly '69, a former four-year 'flat rat' said: "The things I learned from the Basilian Fathers have put me where I am today. I am forever indebted to them."

Send us your favourite 'good-time' story of your days of being a flat rat at Assumption. Alumni will love to hear them!



Director Fr. Jack J Stortz C.S.B. '43 has moved to Anglin House in Toronto. Please send your greetings to him at:

95 St. Joseph St.

Toronto, Ontario M5S 2R9

Office number 416-926-9325

We thank Fr. Jack for his many

years of contribution to the Alumni Association.

Look for a future tribute to Fr. Jack.

ATTENTION! CLASS OF 1975

Don't forget to come out to Lilly Kazzilly's this year on Friday, Nov. 2nd, 2012 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. You won't want to miss this!!



Class of 1986 Row 1: Erin Searcy, BethAnn (Elizabeth) Prince, Leo Ducharme, Pam Burke, Cris Kambouris, Monica (Kaschalk) Anzolin, Elaine (Blazevich) McCarthy, Francie (Piruzza) Gibbons
 Row 2: Dawn (Waterman) Bosco, Vini Pupatello, Jay Owen, Michael Kennedy, Al Loebach, Ozelle (Patolot) Case, Veronica Mancini, Mary Monticciolo, Anna Pagliaroli, Michelle (Kipping) Cecile
 Row 3: Sonia Giovanatto, Laura Stroud, Lisa Sandre, Rosario Meo, Maria MacNeil, Victoria Stoiansis, Rosa (Albano) Laforest, Antonella Avena, Trish (Devoy) Major, Jeff Major
 Row 4: Lino Montemurri, Liz (D'Agostini) Montemurri, Mona (Blanchard) Hansen, Joseph Ibrahim, Hani Sarweh, Al Fazio, Carlo DiMambro, Ingrid (LeClaire) Takac, Pamela (Thanik) Singh
 Row 5: Maria Ferrarelli, Leah (Emmons) Kendall, Audra (Mazzali) Grierson, Heather (Prieur) Tarnawski, Peter Beausoleil, Susan (Hazlett) Cote, Joelle Pecz, Steve Prieur
 Row 6: Justin Nixon, James Murray, Dan Kelly, Scott Laforet, Ken Stewart, Rob Nadalini, Lori Bordian-Moulder, Bob Bellacicco, Jamie Spratt, Enrica Sarra-Cote



1961 Row 1: Robert Belanger, Peter Scarpelli, Bill Woods, John Guiry, Terry Snyder, Richard Holl
 Row 2: Frank Bagatto, John Gatfield, Gary Minello, Harold Roth, Mike Janisse, Richard L'Heureux



Class of 1971
 Row 1: John Paul Corrent, Mark Steffes, Paul Maini, Dave Mitchell, Robert Laub, Don Drouillard, Steve Kerr, Sparky
 Row 2: Gerry Pocock, Michael Green, Bob O'Reilly, Paul Murray, Randy Sasso, Gene Moscicki
 Row 3: Jim Fazekas, Wayne Ciurysek, Tom Lyons, Bill Marcotte, Gaspere Latona, Dean Favot, Glenn Genik, Bill Thibert
 Row 4: Pat Murray, Mike Vezina, Tim Maitre, Mark Fathers, John Klundert, Rick Masaro



Class of 1976 Row 1: Joe Ivan, Antoinette (Cirino) Ivan, John Obeid, Shelley (Truant) Henley, Martin Henley, Mike Harris, Elaine (Ursulak) Gillis, Karen (McDonald) Reaume
 Row 2: Linda (Iannucci) Lackovic, Bridget (Iacono) Russo, Jim MacKinnon, Joe Orlando, Denise (Maurice) Meloche
 Row 3: Carol Montello, Michael Duchene, Elio DeCarolis, Angelo Gentili, Al Quaglia
 Row 4: Cathy Strong-Lepera, Joe Lepera, Larry Webb, Bob Higley



Class of 1981 Row 1: Anna Marrocco, Jill (Dettinger) Marcovecchio, Lori Santamaria, Su Bouliane, Caroline Ursulak, Melissa Boscarior, Peggy (Eansor) Polewski, Joe Durocher, Dana (Boratto) Brayton, Patrick Shanahan,
 Row 2: Kathleen Sturba, Vince Dettinger, Becky Kachmaryk-Griffeth, Monique LaJeunesse, Shama (Thomas) Abraham, Siobhan Smith, Nance (Garant) Belanger, Bob Eldon, Denise (Todesco) Rihbany
 Row 3: Alison (Gray) Matthew, Sheila Feore, Marti (Douglas) Trocchi, Carole (Thibodeau) Marcotte, Karen Boutilier, Christine (Ziter) Labiak, Mike Labiak, Jackie McVittie, Denise Hebert
 Row 4: Jamie MacLeod, Thomasene (Bannon) Thompson, Steve Thompson, Ray Power Dan Tesolin
 Row 5: David Bedard, Dave Mazzocca, Tony Badalamenti, Rob Mancini, Jim Potvin
 Row 6: Mark Polewski, Kevin Nostadt, Mark Ulicny, Jerry Coyle, Eddie Sachs, Dan Miller, Jim Switzer



Class of 1956 Row 1: Mike Jacko, Bill Coyle, Harry Jansen, Pat Keane, Terry Snyder, Andy McCann
 Row 2: Richard O'Connor, Richard Giroux, Gerry Russette, Ted Broad, Nelson Vandelinder



1950 Bill Milligan and Paul Laethem, Fred Smith 1949

GO RAIDERS!

Patrick Hucker Sr. 1935-40 writes: "Just turned 90 on July 29th, 2011. Feeling great and still going strong. I am forever indebted to the Basilians."

Ray Souliere '49 turned 80 last year. "They're less and less of my 1949 class' news, understandably. Nevertheless, it's always great to receive another newsletter, especially when it's always improving. Love always, Ray "

Charlie Hickey '50 is a retired lawyer; enjoyed sports such as baseball, hockey and handball. He was a good student and had an appreciation for music.

Doug Stover '50 remembers getting weekends off, loved football, basketball, baseball. Assumption was the best thing that ever happened to him...he would gladly repeat the four years.

Bill Milligan '50 had four great years at Assumption. Was on the football team, found the priests very demanding and physical.

Brian McLaughlin, '58 writes: "Rick, if any other people have problems with the ACH website, tell them to download 'GOOGLE CHROME' which is a free browser. ACH works with GOOGLE but not MSN Microsoft Explorer. I thank you for your concern. I will always remember my Assumption years 1954-1958 when it was still all male. My mentors were Fathers Fournier, Phalean, Cullen and of course Fr. Armstrong, 'SPARKY' himself. Assumption basketball, football and hockey were the envy WOSSA championship teams, that all of the Windsor high schools wanted to beat."

Vic Venegas '60 recalls winning the city championship in football. GO RAIDERS!

Richard L'Heureux '61 remembers the 1961 boarder pillow fight at Halloween that involved 30 people.

Richard Holl '61 writes: "Dear Alumni personnel, Thank you for the brief calls ahead of the Nov. 5th, 2011 50th class reunion to advise of the basic programme. With your information, I was able to get in touch with fellow boarder Richard L'Heureux from Plymouth, Michigan, advising him of pertinent information. We met in the gym about 8:00 p.m. and awhile later met with another seven grads of 1961. Two of them flew in from Victoria and Vancouver, B.C. It was nice to share a few memories. Coming in through former front doors (now back doors) I noticed quite a few changes from 10 years ago – namely, lockers in the hallway and old cafeteria now classrooms. The Assumption band played some pleasant music and the Culinary Students put out nice snack treats – give my compliments to each department. I'd like to thank the Assumption College High Alumni Association for helping to make this 50th reunion a memorable one for me. Yours truly, Richard Holl."

Mike Chalut '60 is a Redwing fan. He has 10 grandchildren, enjoys traveling overseas, yardwork and fantasy football. He remembers Terry Snyder and the swim meets.



Rita and John Miceli '87, Liz Badalamenti

Peter Prete '69 writes: "The Fall 2011 newsletter has been rolling around in my mind, especially with the news of Reno's passing.....now with the Tigers being in the postseason, a few more memories crept back.....I have no idea of your age, so you maybe cannot relate, but if the Tigers win the Pennant, or by chance, the World Series you will understand...there were two incidents I will never forget:

The first was the riots in '67, a lot of boarders gathered on the front lawn of Assumption to see the glow of Detroit on fire, even over the brightness of the 401 streetlights and the bridge lights, Detroit on fire was still brighter...quite a sight for a small town kid.....here in Tbay, you step outside, all you see is stars...lol

The other, the collective ROAR of Detroit when the Tigers won the world series in '68....we watched the game in the lounge and Fr. Cullen said we should go outside.....it was amazing, you wait and see, if they win this year, there will be a collective scream or holler from the whole city, heard over any peripheral noise in Windsor . vaya con dios Peter

Greg Jewell '69 writes: "Thank you for the articles about Reno Bertoia in the Fall 2011 Issue of the Assumption Alumni Newsletter. I clearly remember him cruising the halls of Assumption in the late sixties. Every footstep echoed a sense of decency. A stern look warranted earned respect. He wanted us to be our best and did his part to teach us accordingly."

Randy Sasso '71 remembers 1971 graduating class as the 100th graduating class of the all male Assumption High School. He remembers fighting for full funding and rallied in Toronto. His class moved the trees that are in the front yard from where the Board office is now.

Dave Wilds '71 is married to Alice for 38 years. They have two children, Shawn and Shannon and 4 grandchildren. He owns his own consulting business in plastics injection molding.

Mark Steffes '71 : Mark has fond memories of Assumption dances, Plant the Trees Campaign and OCSF.

Dan Reaume '75 had a great time at Assumption. He recalls walking into an assembly where friend Tom Heiser was bald. He was on the basketball team and remembers teachers Geoff Owen and Ray Renaud.

Tessy May '75 remembers Fr. Q. Johnson taking them on a field trip to Algonquin Park. They were canoeing and the principal fell into a pond where water went up to his knees and many un-Catholic words were said.

Carole (Reaume) Delisle '75 is a nurse now. She loved being in the musical, 'Bye Bye Birdie'. She was in the first co-ed class to attend all years at Assumption. She thinks Assumption is a great high school and would not change a thing.

Al Quaglia '76 "Hello To Alumni Team: "Just wanted you all to know that "I am not missing in action" and that as a 1976 graduate, I am alive and well. I am married to my lovely wife Sue (23 years) and we have 2 wonderful children Jordana (21 yrs.) & Brandon (17 yrs.). I am in my 30th year of teaching with the London District Catholic School Bd. Thank you for all the great work you do as I have continued to read the newsletter online through the years and looking forward to attending our 35th reunion next month. Sincerely, Al"

Mark Daoust '77 has been teaching for 28 years, 16 at Assumption. His favourite memories are: winning City Championship in Football 1977, basketball 3 straight years in city championship (unfortunately, all losses).



Bob Bellacicco '86 and Sparky?

Mike Papp '80 – Remembers being onstage doing plays, Man of La Mancha; favourite teacher was Fr. Q. Johnson. He is sales manager for an automotive company.

Kevin Peltier '80 remembers playing baseball with Fr. Cullen. He is a program manager in automotive.

Jim Lafontaine '80 remembers grade nine lunches; didn't know anybody in fourth period. He enjoyed the radio station and music during lunch.

Lisa Maltese '80 (Montemurri) "Dear Rick, What a wonderful way to end the day....I thoroughly enjoyed browsing through the reunion pics. Thank you so much for the notice about them being posted....I can't believe I let so many years pass without attending... I started last year at my 30 year and enjoyed it so much that I returned this past November....Also, a huge thank you to you, Lil and the entire committee for doing such an amazing job! It was great seeing you and Lil.....Wishing you, Lil and the ENTIRE CLAN a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and Happy Holidays to all!!!!!!!"

Looking forward to seeing you both at the 2012 REUNION.....

Cathy (Barrette) Vendrasco '85 remembers art class with Mr. Yoell. She thinks the football games were the best! She would definitely repeat high school. She now works in a bank.

Brenda (Depaoli) Testa '85 remembers the grade 12 dinner dance ... what a great night with friends. She loved high school and remembers Mr. Dunn. She now works for her husband's business and has two children.



Joe Orlando, Michael Duchene, Elio DeCarolis - All '76

Carrie Woodman '85: favourite memory was going to football games seemed like going to the superbowl. She is currently a nurse in community for St. Elizabeth. Fr. Armstrong and Mr. Minello were her favourite teachers.

Mike Testani (attended 1983-85) reflects: "Sometimes we don't know whether a decision we make is positive or negative until we make it. I went to Assumption for grades 9 to 11 and then switched to another school. To this day it remains one of the worst decisions I've ever made. I guess it's the old saying - 'We don't appreciate what we have until it's gone'. When I left, all the wonderful spirit that was apparent at Assumption was instantly gone. However I am forever thankful that I had the opportunity, however short, to be a part of Assumption."

Anna Pagliaroli '86 remembers Fr. Hart in 112 giving kids the strap!

Richard Perz '85 is currently working on Wall Street (Credit Derivative Market). He travels often to India working for the bank. He remembers the dedication of the Assumption staff. He learned a lot at school which he still uses today. He spends a lot of time working with charities.

Dan Kelly '86 says that his favourite Assumption memory is being on the '86 championship football team.

Jamie Spratt-Morneau '86 is married to Kevin (St. Anne grad) since 1997. They have 2 daughters, Malia (10) and Maiya (4). She has been teaching for the Windsor Essex Catholic District School Board for 16 years. She is currently teaching English literacy at St. Anne French Immersion.

Luciana Rosu-Siezia, '97 writes: "Thank you for the Newsletter...it is always a pleasure reading it.

I read that Mrs. Dumouchelle was retiring and it brought me back to high school at Assumption. I graduated in '97, she taught me 10th grade math. She was such a remarkable and inspirational teacher. Everything that was mentioned about her is so true especially regarding her moral compass. There are not too many people in this world that stay true to their values, morals and beliefs...she is a person who demonstrates that staying and being true to yourself is possible. It is not easy but she proves that it is achievable. I think of this quote.... 'To be yourself in a world that is constantly trying to make you something else is the greatest accomplishment.' (Author: Ralph Waldo Emerson) Congratulations to her! Although she may not remember me, I know that she influenced and motivated thousands of young people in her 32 years of teaching. Sincerely, Luciana

Editor's Note: You are well remembered, Luciana. God bless you in all that you do!

David Colucci '92 has been teaching English (EFL) for the past six years, the first four in Rome, Italy and currently at Shanghai Normal University in China.



David Kurosky '73 writes: "Couldn't sleep last night so I did a little surfing on the Internet only to discover that you could get back issues of the ACHS Alumni Newsletter on line. This is not something to find out about late at night as I spent the next several hours catching up on the activities of my classmates and looking at the various photos from reunions past. I saw many familiar faces, easily recognizable and, sadly, noted that several classmates had passed away very early on, especially Paula Pranovi, John Younan and David Henderson who were all part of the

West Side Story production as was I. All this made me think that after almost 40 years I should write to the newsletter and update my profile. I currently live in Manotick, Ontario (Ottawa) with my beautiful wife Karen along with the youngest of our three children Alicia, age 21. Alicia is in her 3rd year of the International Business program at Carleton University and will be leaving for Chile to attend school in the spring of 2012. We also have two sons, Justin, 25, who is an engineer with McIntosh and Perry here in Ottawa and, Jordan, 24, who is currently enrolled in computer engineering. Karen, whose age I cannot disclose, works for our Federal government at the Canada Border Services Agency, (family photo attached). My father has passed on, however, my mom is still a force and many of you may remember the ACHS cheerleading dolls that she created for the annual Mothers Club Bazaar back in the 70s. (editor's note: One of the dolls is displayed in the main hallway showcase!) Life is good. As for myself, I graduated with a Master of Engineering degree from the University of Western Ontario in 1982 and took on a position with the Faculty of Engineering upon graduation. Within a year I moved on to North Bay, Ontario where I worked with the Mines Accident Prevention Association specializing in industrial hygiene and ventilation. In 1986 we moved again, this time to Toronto, where I became the Director of the Department of Occupational Health and Safety at York University. In 1989 I made an entire career change and moved to Ottawa and established a contracting and engineering firm. For the past 22 years I have been successfully self-employed operating a small business that specializes in land development and design-build-lease construction. Life is good. My time at ACHS was interesting and left me with many enjoyable memories that were due largely to the environment created by the ACHS teaching staff. Having influences like Fr. Armstrong, Fr. Agius, Fr. Sheedy, Fr. Johnston, Deschamps, Upham, Hool, Philp, 'Mello Nello', Arbour, Stephens and, of course, Amprimose (Mr. & Mrs.), demonstrated how ACHS was all about the educators and their commitment to the students, both in and out of the classroom. We were, without a doubt, a school founded upon the principles of goodness, discipline and knowledge all underpinned by our collective faith in God. Life was good. Cheers to all my fellow 1973 classmates and teaching staff and thank you Alumni Newsletter for keeping those memories alive and reminding us how good life is. God Bless, David G. Kurosky, Class of 1973"

CLASS OF '87

Our 25th Anniversary of Graduation, this Nov. 3rd.
We are open to offers and suggestions for our celebration. See contact info on page 6.

Editor's Note: *Brian Trim (attended for grade 9 and 10, associated with class of '75) asked the Assumption Alumni Association to help him contact his grade 10 roommate, Hannay Chow with whom he had lost contact. We were able to get him connected with Hector Chow, Hannay's cousin, who lives in the U.S. but unfortunately, in the time it took to do so, Hannay had passed away in China.*

Included below, Brian reminisces about their time at Assumption.



Hector Chow '75, with Hannay Chow '75 and wife

August 21, 2011

This is Brian Trim, Hannay Chow's 10th grade roommate at Assumption College High School in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, where we lived on the 3rd floor, NorthEast corner room of the Residence Building across the parking lot from the High School. Father Delaney was our Floor supervisor and Mr. Tom Wiley the Prefect, with Father Cullen the Boss/Warden of everything.

I thought of Hannay often over the years and trusted and hoped that he was doing well. I always considered him my friend and wished we could have kept in better contact over the years.

I left Assumption after the end of grade 10 in 1973. I hated the reform/harsh discipline aspect of the Residence, although I liked the school well enough and got all A's all year there, for which they gave me a little certificate. It was like a taste of freedom when we could get off the flat and go to school.

I remember the alarm in the hallway that they used to condition us like rats. I'll never forget the first morning there when they awoke us with it, sounding that air-raid-like buzzer 14 times consecutively to wake us up. It levitated me with each terrifying blast of its buzzer and I vowed that morning that I would disconnect it before I left (which I did 3 weeks before the end of that school year, at 3:30 am in the middle of the night, with Vince, my African-American friend from Florida holding the tools I smuggled back from Detroit one weekend, as I did the disconnect job of the alarm so very quietly, in the middle of the hallway, just on the North side of the 'always opened fire-doors', opposite the first door into the bathroom from our room). Vince dropped

the pliers at the very end, making a loud noise that echoed down that tile-floored, cinder-blocked echo chamber of a hallway, which alerted Mr. Wiley, who came out of Fr. Delaney's room with his flashlight and started walking down the dark corridor, circling it with the beam of his flashlight as he slowly, methodically walked and listened. I thought we were dead meat at the time and thought the whole Residence could hear my heart pounding in my chest as we hid in the inserts of the cinderblock entrances to the rooms; with Vince under the alarm side of the corridor, with the wire clippings at his feet on the floor, and me on the opposite side of the hallway in the insert entrance to the bathroom door. Mr. Wiley stopped just short of the other side of the fire-doors, the South side, and listened to what I was certain he could hear, which was my heart pounding so loudly and hard in my chest that I couldn't breathe, for what seemed like an interminably long and pregnant pause ... before he turned, and walked slowly back to his room, with his wing-tipped hard-sole shoes echoing every long, awkward step he took, until he returned to Fr. Delaney's room and turned up the T.V. again. Luckily, the fire doors casted enough of a diagonal shadow that he couldn't see us hiding on the other side. I quickly finished the job then, and we tiptoed back to our room and went to sleep. The next day everyone overslept, and had to be awakened by Prefect Wiley knocking on our doors!!!

I went back to visit for an afternoon, after I graduated from Detroit Catholic Central in Detroit, and told Fr. Delaney about it and we laughed heartily, as there was nothing he could do to me then. I was out of "demerit range"!!! He told me that they weren't able to figure it out for 2 years after that because of the way I snipped the interior wires of the alarm, behind the first interior grill and set of wires once you open up the alarm. I deliberately wanted them to think it was OK at the alarm site, so I did it that way, so that once they opened it up there, everything would look normal and all right. He told me they spent most of the time trying to fix it at the button panel in Fr. Delaney's office. We laughed hard and long about it. I remember how bad his feet smelled, when I would have to go down to his room/office to talk to him about whatever; how I painted the entire inside of the outdoor ice rink green, all by myself one weekend, to work off the 350 demerits I got the first 3 weeks I was there, and how I vowed to get no more after that (and therefore, be able to get out and be free on the weekends to hitch-hike back to Detroit to my old neighborhood and friends' homes, as my parents had died and my family was split up), which when I did inevitably get some demerits, Fr. Cullen let me sell his raffle tickets to work them off at 25 demerits/book and also earned me \$2.50 with each book I sold. I liked that and sometimes would sell them for him even when I had

no demerits, as it gave me some pocket money.

I remember Hannay teaching me how to play Ping Pong, his style, with the inverted paddle grip, and how I could almost never beat him; and he and his friends coming to my rescue when that punk 13th Grader took cuts in front of me in the lunch line and we got into a fist fight over it, and I got punched in the face and was outnumbered by him and his older friends until Hannay and his Chinese friends stood up for me and came to my assistance. I never have, nor ever will forget that. Later in life, at University in Ireland at Trinity College, I became the Irish National University's Boxing Champion in the Light-Middle weight Division, and thought it would be a different story if I ever met that punk again, who at the time was 4 years older than me, as he had flunked a grade.

I remember the smell of the hops and the beer being brewed in Windsor, not too far from school, and how we could smell that distinct odor from our room and when walking across the parking lot to go to school. I also remember drawing Hannay's portrait in charcoal for class. I came across it recently and would have liked to send it to him. Hannay was a good friend.

May he rest in peace. Brian J. Trim



CLASS OF '62

Remember your 50th year reunion is November 3rd.
Let us know of any address changes.
Call 519 256-7801 ext. 299
Or email achalumni@gmail.com

Tribute for Domenic Vu, father of Binh '82 and a great friend of Fr. Hart

Thank you for asking me to update you on my family since we graduated from Assumption and on the passing of my father.

Being able to attend Assumption College School was one of the greatest blessings for my siblings and me. My family came to Canada in June 1982. We escaped from Vietnam on a small boat at the end of 1981. After 10 days in the dangerous sea with little food and water, we landed in Indonesia and were taken to a refugee camp. My oldest sister died on the way by drowning in the sea. The United Nations helped us to stay in the refugee camp, learn English, and apply to Canada. We came to Canada as boat people. An immigration officer helped us to find a place to stay. He had arranged for us to go to W. D. Lowe Public High School; however, a friend introduced us to Mr. Marentette at the Catholic Board. He took us to see Father Hart at Assumption. Father Hart took us under his wing right away and he accepted us to go to Assumption tuition free. The Basilian Fathers paid our tuition. When I told my father about this, he was very happy that we were going to a Catholic school. I told him I was afraid of upsetting the immigration officer, but my father insisted that we go to Assumption. I was there for one year, Grade 13, but my siblings were there longer. Our time at Assumption was a gift from God. We met many wonderful, caring priests, teachers, and friends--some of whom I still have contact with. I remember Fr. Hart, Fr. Pare, Fr. Cullen, Fr. McCabe, Fr. Armstrong, Fr. Bellefeuille, Fr. McLeod, Fr. Stortz, Fr. Johnson, Fr. Sheedy, Mr. Billey, Mr. Paolini, Mr. Mailloux, Mr. Limarzi, Mr. Auch, Sister Kathleen Lichti, Sister Victoria, Sister Mary Talpas, Mr. Malette, Mr. Byrne, Mrs. Dumouchelle, and many others. The teachers and staff at Assumption were very caring and committed to helping students become good Catholics and citizens. I made some wonderful friends at Assumption, including Monique (Brisson) Aversa, Piero Aversa, Darin Deschamps, Jeff Duym, Vince Power (all 1982 grads), and many more.

Over the years, I have lost touch with many of the people at Assumption, but I have been able to keep in touch with some. Fr. Hart was very dear to our family. He was at my graduation in 1988. We felt a tremendous loss when he passed away in 1990. My father always remembered him every anniversary with prayers and masses. We have continued to do this since my father passed away in November 2011. I saw Fr. Pare before he passed away. I have very fond memories of Fr. Pare. When I started at Assumption, I did not have the money to buy proper shoes. I was called to Room 112 and thought I was in very big trouble. Instead, Fr. Pare walked me to the shoe store next to the school and bought me the best pair of shoes I ever had. I also talked to Fr. McCabe before he passed away. Fr. Bellefeuille was at my Parish in Woodstock in 1993. I continue to keep in touch with Sister Kathleen Lichti. I saw Mr. Billey, Mr. Mailloux, Mr. Fera, Mr. Malette, and Mr. Byrne at my father's funeral in November. We are very close to the Limarzi family. I saw Rosemary Limarzi before she passed away. Bruno Limarzi was a pallbearer at my father's funeral. I ran into Piero and Monique Aversa at the Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto this past February, where their daughter, Vanessa, graduated from ARCT Piano with my children, Mary and John. Piero and Monique are a wonderful couple with four children. Vanessa is also a graduate of Assumption (2011). She is a wonderful young lady who aspires to be a doctor one day.

I went on to the University of Western Ontario in 1983 and was very blessed to be accepted to Medical School in 1984. I graduated in 1988 and have been practicing Family Medicine in Woodstock, Ontario since then. I got married in 1990. Fr. McCabe, Bruno and Rosemary Limarzi and Mr. and Mrs. Marentette were at my wedding. Fr. Hart had passed away early in 1990. My wife and I have three children--Theresa, 19, Mary, 17, and John, 15. They all went to/are currently at St. Mary's High School in Woodstock.

My sister Phuong got married in 1987 and has four children. She and her husband are part owners of Pho Xic Lo Restaurant on Wyandotte St. in Windsor. Many teachers at Assumption have been to their restaurant.

My brother Nguyen '85 is a family doctor in London, Ontario and is married with two boys.

My brother Truong '87 is an industrial engineer and is working in Windsor. He is married and has four children.

My sister Anh '89 is a teacher at St. Clair College and is married with three children.

My brother Phuong '91 is a dentist in Toronto and is married. He and his wife are expecting a child in August 2012.

My youngest brother, Chuong is 36 years old and is mentally challenged. He lives with my mother in Windsor.

My sisters Phuong and Anh, and my brother Truong belong to St. Phillippe and St. Anne Vietnamese Catholic Community in Windsor. Our time at Assumption bolstered our Catholic faith that was given to us from our parents. Assumption taught us to develop our sense of social justice and social responsibility. We owe much to the community at Assumption High School. We all have been trying to live out what we were taught at Assumption and to help others as we were helped.

My father was a medical officer in the South Vietnamese Army during the Vietnam War. In 1975, when the communists took over South Vietnam, he was put in prison for three years. After that, the communists did not welcome him. After coming to Canada, he worked in a factory until he landed the job as a caretaker of St. Alphonsus Church in Windsor. He passed away on November 3rd, 2011 of bowel cancer.

You asked me to write the tribute that I paid to my father at his funeral. This is what I said:

I would like to thank all of you for being here today to celebrate the life and death of my father. I would also like to thank you for all the prayers and support you have given to my father and my family over the last six months. Many of you have touched his life in very special ways and he also touched your lives. You are his second family. I would like to thank Fr. Peter Hoang and Fr. Bill Kornacker for celebrating the mass today. I would like to thank the Vietnamese Catholic Community, the choir, and the Vietnamese Eucharistic Youth for your preparations for today. I would like to thank the doctors, nurses and the personal support workers who helped my father during his illness. I would like to especially thank my niece, Maria Hoang, who quit university to look after my father. Without her, we would not have been able to keep my father at home. My father has now joined my sister, my grandparents, Fr. Leon Hart, Fr. Rocco Buffalini, Fr. Fitzgerald, Rosemary Limarzi, and many others. Even though my father has left us, I believe that he is still here today. He continues to pray with us and pray for us. My father's life was about love. He loved everybody and he had no enemies. In him, there was no deceit. He led a very humble and poor life. He and my mother donated every penny they had to the poor. My father was very devoted to St. Martin de Porres. This African saint was born in Peru in the 16th century. My father followed the example of St. Martin de Porres to live a poor life and to devote his whole life to loving and helping others. He taught me the prayer of St. Martin De Porres when I was a young boy. In January 2011, my father told me he wanted to go visit the shrine of St. Martin De Porres in Lima, Peru this November. My father never made it. He died on November 3rd 2011, the feast day of St. Martin De Porres--the same day that St. Martin died in the 16th century. My father was a great man when he was alive. How great he will be is now up to his children, grandchildren, and all the people whose lives he touched. In the last week of his life, my father could not speak, but I believe that his parting words to you would be: "Dominic Vu, he loves you!"

So it is now time to say goodbye to my father. Father, so long, until we meet again. Our mother loves you, we love you, and I love you.



Fr. Hart and Binh Vu '82

CLASS OF '82

Our 30th Anniversary of Graduation, this Nov. 3rd. We are open to offers and suggestions for our celebration. See contact info on page 6.

Barrow, Robert Stanley '50 Resident of Los Gatos, passed away July 28, 2011 in Roseville, CA, after a short illness. He was preceded in death by parents Stanley and Mildred and brother John Charles. He is survived by brother Donald of Grand Blanc Mich., sisters Barbara Riddle of Lincoln Ca. and MaryEllen Mc Alpin of Roseville Ca. Robert was born in Detroit Michigan on Sept 19, 1933.



Bernachi, Harold Lewis '48 passed away at 81 years of age, on December 16, 2011. Born February 26, 1930 in Windsor, Ontario. Loving husband of the late Darlene (nee

Beneteau, June 13, 2008) for 55 years. Son of Mario Frank Bernachi (1991) and Victoria (2011). Father of Cal, London, ON, Jan & Glen Gamble, Lyn & Dan LaPorte, Jay & Eva, Tod & Michelle, and Lia. Grandfather of Justin, Dana, Amber, Brandon, Jaylyn, Jessica, Cameron and Nicholas. Brother to Don Bernachi & partner Jacqueline, London, ON. Upon graduating from Assumption High School in 1948, Harold joined his father in Windsor Body & Fender Ltd., an auto body shop that his father established in 1940. Harold retired in 1988 after running the business for 40 years. Harold was born in Windsor and active with the K of C serving as Grand Knight Fourth Degree Knights Charter, Member of the Fr. Louis Boue Assembly. Honourary Life Member. Master of the Major Degrees (Second and Third) for 28 years, President Amherstburg Lions Club. A President of the Chamber of Commerce, past member of the Windsor Optimist Club, the Windsor Business Assoc., Trustee on the Catholic Family Service Bureau, a Past Trustee of General Amherst High School, Past Financial Secretary of the Caboto Club, a member of the Anderdon Planning Board, a past member of the Ontario Ministry of Colleges and Universities. Harold was presented numerous awards, among which was a Certificate of Merit from the Prime Minister, for Community Service, Anniversary of Canadian Confederation Medal, Citizen of the Year of Amherstburg/Anderdon/Malden.



Charters, Dalton Q.C. '47 : Born January 25, 1931, Died January 1, 2012. Passed away peacefully after a brief illness. Beloved husband of 53 years to Pierrette (Lanoue). Cherished father to Rachele (Ian) Geddes (class of 1981), Dalton (Rosemarie) Charters (class of 1984). Loving grandfather to Ellery, Gillian, Clare and Dalton. Beloved brother to the late Elaine Stefani (2002). Dear brother-in-law to Laurine (Gordon) LaPierre. Dalton will be missed by his many nieces and nephews and close friends. Former Commanding Officer of H.M.C.S. Hunter, past president and life member of Essex Golf and Country Club, member of Essex Law Association, and Windsor/Essex Legal Aid, recognized for his outstanding contributions to the profession by Essex Law Association.

Bouliane, Su-Anne (Steer)

passed away peacefully on February 7, 2012 at home with her loving family by her side. Loving wife of Brian Steer. Cherished mother of Ryan, Meagan, Carly and the late Autumn (1998). Dear daughter of the late Gayle Bouliane (1998) and Al and Midge Bouliane, daughter in law of the late Ron Steer (2010) and Millie. Will be missed dearly by brothers Paul, Michael, Robert and Ken Passa. Along with sisters-in-law Nancy Hawkeswood, Mary-Lou Arsenault, Shelly Passa and brothers-in-law Gary Steer, Brent Steer, Claude Arsenault and Michael Hawkeswood. Loving and caring aunt to Kristen, Brendan, Keegan, Alexandra, Eric, Zach, Zoey, Codie, Hayley, Mikey and Brennah. Su was a dedicated teacher for the WECD SB and will be truly missed by the children she taught and her faithful colleagues. Su's unconditional random acts of kindness along with her faith in God, will be treasured and live in the hearts of her family and friends forever. Su lived a simple life; one of discipleship to all especially to her husband, children, family and friends. Su and family would like to thank all those who cared for her with compassion and love including: Our Family, Family of Friends, Nurses, Doctors, Care Givers, CCAC, and Hospice. You truly did make a difference and for this we are grateful.



Deluzio, Albert Vincent, '71 passed away peacefully at Windsor Regional Hospital, Met. Campus with his family by his side on October 4, 2011 after a courageous battle. Beloved husband of Lucia for 33 years. Cherished father of Grace

Doe and husband Scott. Adoring Grandpa to Michael Steven, Nicholas and Daniel. Survived by his mother Grace Deluzio and late father (Alberto) and by mother and father-in-law Francesco Apollonio and Maria. Brother to John, David and wife Helen and their children David Jr., Bettina, Brandy, Courtney, and Olivia. Brother-in-law to Anna and Pasquale Sicolo, Antonio Apollonio and Marita, Francois Apollonio and Flora, Enzo Apollonio, Phil Apollonio and Mimi, Josephine Apollonio, Michele Apollonio and Sharon, and Rose and Brent Apollonio-Paisley. Will be missed by many nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and all whose lives he touched. Sadly missed by cousins Peter and wife Angela, Romeo and wife Iolanda, John and wife JoAnne Orlando, and Anna and husband Georgio Scalzo. Dear to his heart where he spent much of his time was the service station, Central Auto Wash. Albert Vincent was an active member of C.I.B.P.A., a representative of Deerbrook Realty, Giovanni Caboto Club, and the Knights of Columbus Windsor Council #1453, Dean Wagner 3rd and 4th degree Assembly.

Eansor, Lawrence G., P. Eng, '51. Born August 6, 1932, passed away peacefully on January 22, 2012. Beloved husband of the late Catherine "Kaye" (nee Johnston, June 28, 2011) for over 53 years. Loving father to Lawrence Michael '77 and fiancée Debbie, Angela Tress '78 and husband Kenneth, Gregory '80 and wife Victoria, the late Christopher '81 and Lynn, Maria Eansor '83 and partner Timothy Pierce, and Gordon '84. Proud grandad of Ryan, Danielle, Christine, Natalie, Christopher, Parker and Piper. After graduating from Assumption in 1951, he graduated from U of Detroit, degree in Civil Engineering and worked for many years with the City of Windsor, M.M. Dillon and later as a self-employed Consultant. He was a proud member of Beachgrove Golf and Country Club since 1956.



DELUCA, Antonio "Tony", '58 - Called to eternal rest on January 23, 2012. Beloved husband of 43 years to Maria DeLuca (nee Coppola), cherished "Papa" to his children Anthony '87 and Pam DeLuca (nee Phillips), Marisa '88 and Paolo Fontana, Anita '93 and Dennis Carlini, Marlina '99 and fiancé Matthew Kourletakis and Adriana '01. Survived by his adored grandchildren, Cristiano, Alessia, Lauren, Lucas, Micaela, Anthony, James and Paolo. Loving and proud uncle to many nieces and nephews. Tony, a General Contractor, who along with his father and brothers enhanced the landscape of the City of Windsor through his incredible determination and ambition. He was very proud of his Italian heritage, and indeed a true Canadian. Some of his involvements and interests include: being one of the founding members of the Ciociaro Club of Windsor, past president and active member of CIPBA (Canadian Italian Prof. Business Assoc.), past member of the Ciociaro Bocciafila club, one of the accordionists for the Voci Ciociare. Making homemade wine was another of his passions with the help and expertise of his dear friend and 'compare' Americo Rizza. He was a loyal customer to Arby's Restaurant who never missed his morning tea and daily news with his best buddies especially his cousin Marcel. He truly lived for family gatherings at "the Farm". He wholeheartedly shared his gift of music with all, playing his accordion at charitable events and for the sick and the elderly. His strong faith and trust in God are a beautiful reflection of the incredible husband, father and grandfather that he will always be. His zeal for life and passion for music will be profoundly missed but will live in all our hearts forever.



Drago, Karen (Soda) '75. It is with heavy hearts that we announce that Karen was welcomed peacefully into the arms of the Lord, surrounded by her loving family and friends on November 27, 2011, at 54 years of age. Karen fought a courageous battle against multiple myeloma. Beloved wife of 30 years to Roberto Drago. Cherished mother of Dayna (Mike), and Amanda (Peter). Loving daughter of Joan Smith (Bill), Fred Soda (Lee) and daughter-in-law of Giuseppina and Antonino Drago. Dearest sister of Chris Soda, Cathy Venuto, Cindy Matchett (Allan), and sister-in-law of Enza Diotte (John), Anna Matthew (Mike), Lisa Colangeli (Tony). Fun loving aunt of Michael, and Joann Soda, Marisa, and Nicolas Venuto, Chad, and Noah Milne, Anthony Diotte, Crystal, Jessica and Daniella Gasperoni, Kaytee, and Kortney Matthew, Luca, and Massimo Colangeli. Great-Aunt of Brayden, and Tatiana. Also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins and dear friends in Canada, United States and Italy. Special friend of Claudia (Masaro) McArthur '75, and Angela DeMarco. Missed by Zoie. Karen was the current Principal of St. Gabriel Elementary School, past Principal of St. John The Baptist and St. Jules Elementary Schools. She was former President of WEPVPA, active in many other community associations.

Dominato Williams, Lisa

Ann '82 - Our dear Lisa passed away peacefully on Sunday, February 5, 2012 in Richmond Hill, Ontario, leaving behind husband Christopher, precious daughter Olivia, parents Mario and Katherine Dominato, brothers Mark '77 (Janet) and Gregory '80 (Eunji), nephew Alexander and niece Teagen. Her family and friends will fondly remember Lisa.



Fenn, Howard '47 passed away July 16, 2011 at the age of 81. He was the equipment manager on the senior basketball team at Assumption. After attending Assumption, he graduated from Notre Dame in '52 and went into the Army as a 2nd LT. He spent 2 yrs in the army and moved to CA where he became a County (Orange) Probation Officer. He also worked at Anaheim Stadium and Disneyland.



Knudsen, Robert '50 died peacefully with his loving family by his side on November 29, 2011 at 81 years of age. Beloved husband of 57 years to Elizabeth. Cherished father of

John, Mark and wife Christine, Robert and Kelly. Loving Papa of Zackery, Gavin and Karson James. Best friend and life coach to John Little, Rick Cranker and Rick Martinello. Dear brother-in-law of Roberta Hamilton and the late Moir Frewin. Special Papa of Janet, Beth, Carla, Allison, Meaghan, Hugh, Robbie, Andy, Killian, Colin, Conner, Dawn, Dana, Amy and Ricky. Knobby was founder of Knobby's Kid's Skate for Kid's, Circle of Seven, Essex Sports Hall of Fame, Greater Windsor Baseball, Siro Martinello Bursary Fund and a member of A.K.O., WMHA and the Windsor Goodfellows.

Knobby! Knudsen did it for the kids
Excerpt from Dave Waddell, The Windsor Star November 30,

Knudsen, an outstanding football player at Assumption turned down an CFL contract to work at Kelsey Hayes, was a gifted fundraiser. "He was the guy that lit up the room when he walked in," Soulliere said. "He was always happy and good natured. He was always willing to lend a hand. He had a lot of contacts and was very influential in the community. He had endless amount to give."



Hogan, Brian F. '66 Died peacefully on October 26, 2011 surrounded by his loving family, at the age of 61 years. Beloved husband of Mary Kay for 39 years. Loving father of Chris and wife Stefanie, Laurie and husband Bob Hannan, Terry and wife Andrea, Nicole and Mike. Adored grandfather of Alexis and Caelen. Dear son of Marie and the late Donald Hogan. Brother of Donna Mae Finn and the late Mike, Jim Hogan and wife Marlene, Catherine Paterson, Pat Hogan and wife Lynda and Mike Hogan and Lena Moro. Brother-in-law of Nancy Hogan and Carl Idzinski. Survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Brian spent the majority of his teaching career at Assumption Secondary School, and was loved by many students, those he coached in volleyball, and those with whom he worked.

LaPorte, Joseph (retired Assumption teacher) passed away into the arms of the Lord with his loving family and his extended Huron Lodge family by his side on August 10, 2011. Beloved husband of Mary-Agnes (nee Adam) for 45 years. Loving father to Jennifer Pickle and husband Murray, and Paul and wife Monique. Pappa to Samantha, Jacob, Andrew, Matthew, and Kaisa. Joe was a retired math teacher from the Windsor Roman Catholic Board spending 23 years at Assumption College High. He was a Life Member of the South Windsor Knights of Columbus, Co. #4386.



(Editor's note: read tribute to Joe by Gerry Philp on page 22).

**Brian Hogan (ACH class of 1966)
St. Hubert Boy Genius**

This 'story' is for the family of Brian Hogan, though his many friends will enjoy the journey in the past. In 1958, my family moved from the tough area East of Ford's Test Track to safe Sandwich West. We attended St. Hubert's Catholic School when it was literally in the woods. I was in grade 4 and Brian was in grade 2. Even in grade 2, Brian was known to be a gifted child, (he was a genius). While the adults tried to put Brian on a pedestal, he would step off and mingle and rub elbows with the common folks, for Brian was one of us.

At a time when smart kids were picked on, Brian was the exception. Not because he had muscles and was a street fighter, and believe me, St. Hubert had many country boys and future motorcycle members. It was because of his 'wicked' sense of humour. Brian used his intelligence to see the wit of any conversation or discussion. His observations were droll but not bitter, we were caught off guard with his commentaries, we loved him.

When I was in grade 6 and Brian was in grade 4, he went home with a 98% average on his report card. The rumour that went around was that his mother demanded to know where the other 2% was. I would assume that with a comment like that, Brian took after his mom.

I lived seven houses away from Massey, but hitched-hiked to Tech for five years to earn a 5 year S.S.T. degree, so lost track of Brian. Although I heard through the grape vine that he landed a good job in the Automotive Industry. So when I was accepted into Teacher's College and had my In-Service at Assumption, I was pleased but surprised to see Brian and asked him why he left. He told me that he didn't enjoy the high pressure and expectations of the Automotive Industry, so he tried teaching and enjoyed it more. And to the end, his wicked sense of humour shone through, dramatically he raised his arms, spread them out and announced "And of course there is no pressure teaching kids" and he smiled his wicked smile.

Brian old friend, I have taught 3 of your children, Terry, Nicole and Michael, they have your sense of humour, they will do well. Rest In Peace Dear Friend, you were and are loved.

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O B I T U A R I E S

Jack Earl Lynch '50 passed away late afternoon, Friday, July 15, 2011 at the Hospice Compassus House of Payson after a year of illness.



He was born on Aug. 14, 1932 to Bertha Cashman and Earl Lynch in Toledo, Ohio.

Upon his parents' move to Detroit, Mich., he attended Christ the King grade school and Assumption High School in Windsor, Ontario, Canada. At Assumption High School he received several athletic scholarships.

After graduation from MSU with a degree in geology, he married Julia Simpkins in October of 1954, and immediately fulfilled his ROTC commitment in pilot training for the U.S. Air Force for three years and continued as a Major with Reserve Units in flying status.

Cynthia Elizabeth was born at Reese Air Force Base, Lubbock, Texas; Charles John Lynch was born in Iiwaco, Tacoma, Wash. base, Susan Julia was born in Detroit, Mich. and Catherine Marie was also born in Michigan. Richard Earl was born in Scottsdale, Arizona

Mr. Lynch has two sisters, Marge Arsen and Jean Trotter. Marge preceded him in death.

He is loved by 12 grandchildren.

Mr. Lynch can be remembered by his feisty, and good-hearted personality. His memberships in the Knights of Columbus, MOAA and St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church, along with friendships from high school and college days were all dear to him. From Clem St. Louis '50



Moses, Pamela Mary '72 (nee Nickleson) RN. passing on Nov. 20, 2011.

Her joyful heart is survived by her loving husband Jerry and their wonderful children, Ben and Aly, who both now

reside in B.C. Her cherished mother, Judy Nickleson and loving sister, Cheryl Kirby and husband Tom, and dear sister-in-law Pat Moses. Best Aunt ever to David and Claire Moses, Tyler and Ashley Kirby, and Katelynne Knight. She will also be greatly missed by her many "adopted kids." Preceded on her journey by her loving father Charles (Bud) Nickleson, Papa and Mama Moses and brother-in-law Eddie Moses. Pam's career as a nurse touched many and she will always be remembered for her loving care.



Manzocco, Eddy '75 passed away peacefully at Hospice, December 4th, 2011 at age 54, with loved ones at his side.



Beloved husband of 25 years to Linda (Boudry). Fiercely proud father to Natalia, Christiana, Katrina, Marisa, and Stefano. Devoted son to Wanda and the late Riccardo. Loving brother to Dolores. Dear uncle to Michael and the late Nicolas. Dear son-in-law to Cory and the late Mike Boudry. Cousin to Ivano, Italo (Anna) and Livio (Luciana) Bertoni, the late Mario, and their families. Lifelong friend to Dale Ziter and his extended family. Dear brother-in-law to Kathleen and Brian Shepley, Sandra and Gary Iles, Michael Boudry and Nellie Rafael, and Luciano Busolini, and uncle to their children. Eddy was an associate at Goldstein DeBiase Manzocco where he practiced personal injury law. Eddy was a born story-teller, charming, funny and generous, with a passion for food, family and friends. As Eddy wished, he will find his final resting place with his father and ancestors in Torlano, Italy, surrounded by the mountains that he loved so much.

Marentette, D'Arcy Jean Sr. '55: Suddenly left



this world one week before his 75th birthday. D'Arcy will be sadly missed by his life-long friend, wife, chauffeur and partner, Mary. He was a loving and supportive father and father-in-law to his three children and

their partners: Michelle Marentette-Hermanutz and Rob Mavrincac, Jackie Marentette and Larry Ouellette, D'Arcy Jr. and Catharina Marentette and Phil Hermanutz. He adored, loved spending time with and frequently bragged about his five grandchildren: Kirsten, Craig, Alexander, Max and Kylee. D'Arcy ran a successful State Farm Agency for 48 years. He did so with integrity and honesty and will be remembered as a businessman beyond reproach. D'Arcy was an avid bowler from the age of twelve. He started his career as a pin boy at Crescent Lanes Bowling Alley and some fifty years later D'Arcy was inducted into the Essex County Hall of Fame. He was President of the Windsor Essex County Bowling Association for many years. D'Arcy was a friend to all who knew him. He was one of the most giving and generous men to have walked the earth. He was always ready with a smile, a helping hand, a buck or a beer for his friends, family and track boys. Our hearts are heavy with sorrow as we say good-bye to the world's best husband, father, grandfather and friend. We love you D'Arcy.

McManus, Dr. William D.D.S. '39, passed away peacefully at Hospice on Saturday, December 10, 2011.



Born May 5, 1923. Predeceased by his parents Sally and John McManus, sister Sally, McManus and brother, Dr. John McManus. Long time resident of Windsor, a graduate of Toronto Dental School (1945) and Lifetime Member

of Essex Golf and Country Club. Bill had a very successful practice of more than 50 years. Left to mourn him is his wife of 57 years, his beloved children, William Jr. '72 (Abbotsford B.C.), Kevin and Holly McManus (Lake Forest CA), Brian McManus and Erin Doyle (El Segundo CA), Trish and Patrick Hickson (Windsor), Dr. Tim McManus and Dr. Lesli Hapak (Windsor), and Shawn and Heidi McManus (Lake Forest CA). Also, the loves of his life, grandchildren Matthew and Sean Hickson, Dylan, Ryan, Darby and Dalyce McManus, Kirsten and Ashley McManus, as well as Hannah, Mikenna and Kelia McManus. Bill's strong belief in personal integrity drove all that he did in the field of dentistry. Integrity was Bill's core value and he leaves that legacy to his children and grandchildren. A truly religious man, he was true to his faith and his God. All who knew Bill were warmed by his softening charm and humoured by his love for a home-cooked meal, especially when pie was included, but most importantly by his love and pride in his children and grandchildren. Bill is and will always be sadly missed by his loving family and loyal friends.

McKrow, Pat '71 It is with sadness that



the family of Pat announces his passing into God's hands on November 2, 2011. Loving husband of Brenda (Mersch) and cherished father of Shannon (Safwan Zaidan) and Kyle. He

will be sadly missed by his grand dogs Jameson & Rexie. He was predeceased by his parents Francis and Angela and sister-in-law Sharon McKrow. Survived by his in-laws Phil and Betty Mersch. Dear brother of Dan (friend Linda), Tom (Allyson), Cathy (Nick) and Liz (Jamie). Brother-in-law to Karen (Gus), Paul (Patricia) and Cheryl. He will be sadly missed by many nieces and nephews. Pat retired 4 years ago after 34 years of dedicated service to Ford Motor Company. In his last year of retirement he enjoyed selling cars at Performance Ford. Many thanks to the nurses and doctors in the Oncology Unit at Windsor Regional Hospital and the Cancer Clinic. Thank you also to the staff and volunteers at Hospice for making Pat's last days very comfortable. He will be missed by many friends and always cherished in his family's hearts.



Molnar, James '58. It is with deep sadness we announce the passing of James Molnar on October 8, 2011 with his loving, devoted and steadfast companion, his wife Linda Leal Molnar at

his side,, after a brief and sudden illness in his seventy-first year. Jim was Director of Education (retired) from the Windsor Separate School Board. He had an accomplished and dignified professional career as an educator. He attended Assumption High School and later taught there. Jim received his BA from the University of Windsor and Masters of Education from the University of Toronto. He was a humanitarian with distinction. He lived his life in an honourable and most respectful manner. In his retirement, he worked for the City of Windsor, Committee of Adjustment. His accomplishments were to help children excel in their academic growth, to drink deep at the fountain of learning. When we cannot find our own words, listen and use those of the masters. Jim was proudly Canadian and very proud of his home city Windsor. He also loved his sports. A fan of the Tigers, the Red Wings and a season ticket holder for the Detroit Lions Football. He enjoyed the excitement of the sports as an enthusiastic armchair coach.

Provenzano, Rocco '82 died peacefully on February 16th, 2012 at the age of 47



surrounded by his loving family after a long and courageous battle. Cherished son of Salvatore and Giovanna Provenzano. Treasured brother of Frank and wife

Kelly, and Antonella and husband Jim Borrelli. Adored Zio of Michael Borrelli and Tory Provenzano. Rocco will be sadly missed by his many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Special thanks to Elsa and Andrew for your care and dedication. Also, many thanks to the long-time support from CCAC, Para-Med, ComCare and to Hotel Dieu Grace Hospital for their great care and support.

Reeve, Christine '03 "Chrissy" January 26, 1985 - November 8, 2011 On the 8th day of November we lost our beautiful angel on earth. She will be dearly missed by her mother Catherine and step Father Randy Pritchard, Father Allan Reeve, big Brother Micheal, little Sisters Nina and Sabrina, Grandparents Lawrence and Sondra Joseph, Uncle Todd and Aunt Susan Joseph, Uncle David and Aunt Danelle Joseph and especially her best friend and cousin Ashliegh Gagnon and to a true friend Jonathan Bussey who never left her side.



Renda, Carl J. '49, of Sylvania OH, died October 5, 2011 at the Ebeid Hospice Residence in Sylvania. Carl was born January 29, 1930 in Detroit, MI to the late James Vincent and Nina (Gerardi) Renda. He married his

best friend and partner since the 3rd grade, Mary Ann Mitchell, on February 7, 1953 and she survives. Also surviving are his beloved children, Michael (Susan) Renda, Patti (Jim) Holt, and John (Donna) Renda; grandchildren, Matthew, Carl, Emily, Shawn, Patrick, Joseph, Daniel, and Katie; brother, William "Bud" Renda; and many dear friends. Carl was a sincere and caring man who always had time for others. A great communicator and people person, Carl worked in sales for the Mead Paper Co. for 23 years and then upon retirement started his own company, Carl Renda and Associates, representing manufacturing companies. He was a member of Christ the King Catholic Church and the National Italian-American Sports Hall of Fame. Carl was an avid reader and sports enthusiast. He was a Little League Baseball coach and once, coaching alongside Sy Kander, took a Senior Knot Hole team to the Connie Mack World Series. Carl was a sincere and caring man who always had time for others. He will be remembered for using his gifts to let others know they were important to him.

Seguin, Leonard Philippe '44 passed away peacefully with devoted family by his side on March 1, 2011 at the age of 83. Never forgotten by his loving wife Shirley of 57 years. Survived by his eight children: Robert, Kenneth, Catherine, Michael (Nicole), Frank (Patricia), Renee (Rupe), Jeanne (Ted), Suzanne (Nigel). Will be missed by twenty-four grandchildren, one great grandchild and predeceased by three grandchildren.



"Our Dad, he loved our mother, he loved us kids, he loved his friends, he was loved back. If you had a chance to shake his hand, his grip showed he was a proud man. He will always be remembered."



Sullivan, John Francis '46 died September 30, 2011 in Colorado Springs after a short illness. He was 83. John was born July 7, 1928 in Detroit, Michigan, to John J. and Lucie (Guimond) Sullivan. He grew up in that city, attended Assumption High School in Windsor,

Ontario, graduating in 1946. He then served in the Army Air Corp from 1946 to 1948, attended college, met and married his wife of 58 years, Ann (Mason). One week after the birth of their first child, John accepted a job with the Detroit Fire Department, where he served until his retirement in 1981. He was on duty during the 1967 riots in that city, and faced death on many occasions. He once saved a neighbourhood child who was bleeding to death by holding her arm at the arterial pressure point until help arrived. He was mechanically gifted and could fix or make anything work better. He liked having projects. His biggest project was the building of one of the family homes. As a retired person, he brought "puttering" to a high art. John also enjoyed hunting and fishing, and was a member of the Elks 309 pool league. He is survived by his wife Ann, their six children, Patrick, Tom (wife Cathy), Bill, Theresa Ward (husband Craig), Susie Rengo (husband Perry), Jim, his brother Gerald, and six grandchildren, Sarah, Bill, Ann, Mary, Tim and Lisa.

PLEASE PRAY FOR



Bannon, Tim – father of Deirdre '77, Pearce '82, Brad '84

Billey, Catherine – mother of Ken '68 and Greg '75 (deceased in 2008)

Dean, Conrad '50

DeMarco, Dr. Frank Guy – father of Judge Guy '65, Dr. Frank Jr. '66 and Dr. Paul '69

Hoffman, Al – uncle of MaryJo '87

Hogan, Marie – mother of Brian F. Hogan '66

Knudsen, Michael – husband of Patti (Holgate '75)

Masse, Gabriel J. '48

Minello, Mary – mother of former ACS teacher Jim Minello

Nanry, Michael J. '61

Saputo, Vito Sr. – father of Vito Jr. '84

Wales, Kay – mother of Bob '73 and Bob's wife Pat (Fortune) '72

And all other deceased of Assumption Alumni





Loretta Giacomini, Lil Dumouchelle, Sue Rau, Lucy Sbrocca-Ferrara with Joe LaPorte

Memories of Joe LaPorte – teacher, math department head, friend who passed away in August 2011.

By Gerry Philp, retired Assumption science teacher, coach and dear friend of Joe

“This is a sad day for all of us, for we have lost a good friend in Joe. However, if you think as Joe did, maybe we should rejoice in his passing because now his pain is over. He told me a year ago that he was ready to go and be in the hands of his God.

I didn’t meet Joe until about 1968-69. I missed half of his life but I had heard of Brother Paul (Joe’s name when he was a member of the Christian Brothers). I started teaching in Toronto at De La Salle in 1960 and Brother Paul had been there and left by then. He was a math teacher, football and hockey coach and top handyman at Del. He had fixed whatever had to be fixed and even made the time-clock for basketball in the gym – and it worked and looked great. I asked him years later how he had time to teach, coach and be handy man as well as perform his duties as a Christian Brother. He said he stopped attending staff and prayer meetings.

In 1968, I got a job at Assumption High School, so we moved from Toronto to Colchester. My wife, Joanne and I met Mary Agnes and Joe (he had left the order by then and married). Through a mutual friend, Bernie Doyle in Colchester, Joe and I became friends – probably because we both like to fish and eat fish and we did a lot of both.

In 1970, Joanne and I were looking to build a house in Colchester and Joe suggested we could do it over the summer. So we started after school was out. Of course Joe was the leader because he had a little experience, I had none. We had a few mistakes: dug the basement too deep; put the bathroom window in the hall closet; and one valley in the roof leaked. But all in all, it was a great job and it’s still standing today. Joe was forever making things. He built a beautiful quilting frame for Joanne for sewing a full-sized quilt. He even cut the gears for it out of wood and she still uses it. He built jewellery boxes, wooden bowls out of wood from old pews, stairs down to our beach and so many other things.

By 1969, Joe had transferred from Amherstburg High School to Assumption where he became head of the math department. As usual, Joe had many new and interesting ideas: he let the math teacher pick the classes they wanted to teach and he took whatever was left; open concept – students progressed at their own speed and he even involved the Mother’s Club in the testing; the math department took over running bingos and raised over a million dollars in 12 years; the canned food drive was organized by the math department, collecting over 81,000 in 1981; he found an old piano at school, took it home and repaired it. These are just a few things that Joe did at Assumption.

He was also very talented on the guitar. When he was Br. Paul and teaching in Saskatchewan, he was a frequent guest on a radio show, playing and singing. I heard him play a number of times and he was very entertaining.

One day while leaving Huron Lodge, the person I was walking out with said, “I think Joe could have been anything he wanted to be” and I have to agree. He was so diversified and inventive.

Two things stand out about Joe – one, his faith in God and his religion. As I said earlier, he was ready to be in the hand of his God. And two, the love of his family. If you saw his room at Huron Lodge, it was filled with pictures of Mary Agnes, Paul, Jennifer and his grandchildren.

I know many of you have stories about Joe and I’m sure they will be told for many years to come. Joe was a great friend. He is going to be missed by us all.
God bless you, Joe.



Antonio “Tony” De Luca, ‘58

The fourth child of the late Alessandro and Carmela Deluca, Antonio was born in Picinisco, Italy in 1940. He is the cherished younger sibling of Steve, Orlando and Gerry. In 1952, Tony immigrated to Canada and attended St. Patrick’s elementary school. He graduated in 1958 from Assumption High School and then moved to further his studies in Civil Engineering at the Detroit Institute of Technology. Tony has been in the construction business with his family since

boyhood and in 1985 established his own company Sancon Construction Ltd. He continued to build homes until the week before his passing. In early 1970, Tony, a very proud Ciociaro, realized that there wasn’t an Ethnic Club representing his region. He expressed this strong desire to form an Italian Club to his own family and friends and received their total support. After the construction of the Ciociaro Club of Windsor, he served on the Board for eighteen consecutive years along with his late brother Steve, who became the first President. He served as Chairman of the building committee and was actively involved with the Folklore Group and Voci Ciociare. He was very proud of his Italian heritage and grateful for having had the opportunity to contribute to the realization of a dream that will touch generations to come. From a very young age, his family recognized his love of music when he would gather flat stones and pound them together – his first musical notes. His father first introduced the accordion to him and from that moment on, he never put it down. While Papa Alessandro and eldest brother Steve immigrated to Canada in search of a better life for their family back home, Tony was given the opportunity to commence accordion lessons at the early age of seven. He was forever grateful for the sacrifice his family made for him so that he could live his dream. In later years, he went on to form a band with his nephews and close friends. He strolled with his two “Amigos” at numerous weddings and various functions. He graciously gave of his time and talents for charitable events, often entertaining the elderly. His passion for music that he shared with others created a sparkle of intense pleasure in his eyes whenever he would play. In addition to his beloved accordion was the love of his life, his wife Maria, his devoted children and cherished grandchildren. Tony loved his eight beautiful grandchildren and they held a special place in his heart. His grandchildren will forever remember and keep his music in their hearts. Tony lived life to the fullest, lighting up a room with his beautiful smile and vibrant spirit. In difficult moments, he was sure to lighten the mood with a joke or two. Traveling, Friday night bocce, power walking at the mall and morning visits to Arby’s were a few of his many favourite pastimes. Family gatherings remained the highlight of his week where he initiated his favourite toast singing “Alla Salute”. Tony’s passing truly reflected the faithful man that he was for the Good Lord called him home on the 23rd day honoring his favourite Psalm 23, “The Lord is my Shepherd”. Words cannot express our sincere gratitude for the professional, dedicated and compassionate care received by the outstanding Hotel Dieu-grace Hospital staff, most especially Dr. Eli Malus and the ICU Team. From the bottom of our hearts, we thank you.
The family of Tony DeLuca

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