# Weston Collegiate Alumni News



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# A Message from the President:

I first joined the Executive Committee of the Weston Collegiate Alumni Foundation (WCAF) in 1994 and, in the intervening years have served terms as a Member-At-Large and as Vice President. As of January 1, 2006, I became President and am honoured to deliver this, my first message.

At the outset, permit me to welcome two new members to this year's Executive, Stewart Hill, Vice

President and John Gardhouse, Member-At-Large. Stewart previously served on the WCAF Executive as a Member-At-Large for four years and returns after a two-year absence. John was one of the Alumni Award Winners in 1994 and still lives in the 'old' town of Weston. In January 2005, Angela Petitti became the third woman Principal of Weston Collegiate Institute (WCI) and we are pleased that she has agreed to continue as our Honourary President in 2006 and 2007. The last page of this Newsletter lists all members of the WCAF Executive Committee that will hold office during calendar years 2006 and 2007.

Each year the WCAF presents two awards to grade 11 students who have shown outstanding leadership, good citizenship and have contributed significantly to the School's extra-curricular activities and/or community services. The awards include an attractive walnut plaque and a cheque for \$300. In 2005 the winners were Miss Jennifer Eversley and Mr. Shire (pronounced "Shiray") Brandi; both are exceptional students who not only achieved outstanding grades in the International Baccalaureate Program but were also involved in a host of extracurricular activities. Jennifer, an outstanding athlete, recently (May 2006) learned that she had been accepted by engineering schools at four different universities. Shire is this year's Student Council President and was recently accepted by the Schulich School of Business at York University.

Weston Collegiate Institute will be 150 years old in 2007 and a three-day reunion is planned for October 26-28, 2007. Several persons have already volunteered to serve on the organizing committee for the event but to date, the Foundation has not been able to recruit a Chair or Co-Chairs to head up the group. Any volunteers?

For the past two years, several alumnae and alumni have been working on a Commemorative Book about life at WCVS and WCI during the period 1957 – 2007. The first two chapters of the book will be a précis of Dora Wattie's book, "100 Years A Retrospect" which documents the school's history from its founding in 1857 until its Centenary in 1957. Subsequent chapters of the Commemorative Book provide insight into school life during the 1950s, 1960s, 1970s etc. Any alumna/alumnus who wish to share memories of their days at WCVS/WCI are asked to e-mail them to Editor-In-Chief, Dr. Wesley Turner at: wesley.turner@brocku.ca or the Chair of the Steering Committee, Orlando Martini at: ovmartini@sympatico.ca.

It is expected that the Commemorative Book may be about 50% text and 50% photographs and in this regard we are now starting to collect photos from the different decades and hope that many of our readers will loan us theirs. All photos will be returned to their owners including those which are retained for scanning and publication. It is suggested that all photographs be provided with a caption that includes the names of persons and places. Please provide a return address if you submit any photographs.

In the original Constitution of the Weston Collegiate Alumni Foundation an alumna/alumnus was defined as any student who had attended WCVS or WCI for one "school year", day-school or night-school. Last year this definition was amended to include members of the School's staff (teachers, secretaries, caretakers) as well as students. Accordingly, it is now hoped that current members and former members of the School's staff will submit news of themselves and colleagues for this, our Alumni Newsletter. Please forward any news you have to the WCAF (address on the back page of this Newsletter) or directly via e-mail to: ovmartini@sympatico.ca.

We hope to hear from many of you, both with respect to news of alumni and photographs for the Commemorative Book.

Robert Heath, President.

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# **TRIBUTES**

In last year's Alumni Newsletter we listed 22 Weston Collegiate Alumni who died during World War II for whom we had no information. Since then, we have received some information about one person; **Sgt. Edward Hodgins Brundrit** was born on Feb. 10, 1919 and joined the Canadian Army after leaving Weston. He was killed in Germany on May 4, 1945, aged 26, only four days before VE Day.

Dixon Ambler advised that his cousin Beth Calhoun (a Weston Collegiate Alumna) was married to **Flying Officer A. Osborne Smuck.** The records of the RCAF Museum in Trenton, Ont. indicate that Flying Officer A. Osborne Smuck of the 408 Goose Squadron died on July 14, 1943 at the age of 21. He is buried at Gil Zerbaan General Cemetery, in Tilberg, North Brabant, The Netherlands.

# Dr. Thomas O. Ashwell (1932 - 2006)

Dr. Tom Ashwell was born in Toronto on September 24, 1932 and died in Jamestown N.D. on Saturday, March 25, 2006. He was a 1950 graduate of WCVS and a 1956 graduate of the University of Toronto's School of Medicine. Following graduation, Tom completed his internship and residency at Toronto Western Hospital and St. Michaels' Hospital.

On May 25, 1957 Tom married Helen Robinson and shortly thereafter moved to Smiths Falls where he quickly became one of the town's most prominent citizens. In addition to his medical practice, Tom also served as a member of the Chamber of Commerce (nine years), the Medical Association Committee for Accidents, the Police Commission (nine years), the Ontario Good Roads Association, City Council (two years as Councilor and Mayor for nine years); he was also an elder with the United Church (10 years), a Water Commissioner (eight years) and a member of the Rotary, Civitans and Jay Cee clubs. For six years Tom served as Chief of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at Smiths Falls Hospital and for four years was the Hospital's Chief of Medical Staff. In 1976 he received the town's Citizen of the Year Award.

Tom Ashwell was an avid golfer and a fan of both the Toronto Maple Leafs and the Toronto Argonauts. He also held a professional licence for Sports Car Racing and placed third in the 1967 Canadian Championships. He was the Travelling Team Coach for the Smiths Falls Minor Hockey League Association until 1979 when he and the family moved to Jamestown, North Dakota.

Once in Jamestown, as in Smiths Falls, Tom Ashwell quickly became a prominent citizen serving as a Director of the Blue Shield of N.D. from 1980 until 1992 (Chairman of the Board in 1986) as well as serving as the Head Coach of the Jamestown Bantam Hockey Team from 1980 until 1987.

Tom is survived by his wife Helen, four children, seven grandchildren and his sister Deanne (Ashwell) Nelsen of Northville, Michigan. He was predeceased by his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Charles O. Ashwell of Thistletown, Ont. and his youngest son, Timothy Robin Ashwell, MD. of Wausau, Wisconsin

# Albert ("Al") Edward Harris (1921 - 2006)

Albert "Al" Harris was born on October 17, 1921 and was a student at WHVS in the mid 1930's. He passed away in Thornhill, Ont. on March 4, 2006 in his 85<sup>th</sup> year. Al was a fixture of the Canadian Music Scene for more than 70 years and through his teaching and performances brought pleasure to countless fans and students across Canada. The sweet sounds of Al's guitar remain as a fond memory for all of us that had the good fortune to hear him play. A Toronto Star article about Al is enclosed.

# **Joan (Maguire) Bennett (1931 - 2005)**

Joan (Maguire) Bennett was born in Toronto on January 11, 1931, and passed away in Orillia on August 19, 2005. She was a graduate of WCVS and McMaster University. At both schools she was an outstanding, all-round athlete who won both TDIAA and Inter-Collegiate Championship titles. At McMaster, she played varsity badminton, volleyball, and basketball, captained the '53 basketball team and led the '54 volleyball team to an Inter-Collegiate title. Joan was the recipient of the Dr. Edna Guest Award in her graduating year for outstanding athletic ability and was inducted in McMaster's Shorts Hall of Fame in October 2003.

Joan married Paul R. Bennett (B. Sc., M. Sc.) on August 15, 1958, after which the couple moved to Kapuskasing, Ontario, where their two children were born in July 1960 and August 1962. She taught phys-ed and coached several basketball and badminton teams at Kapuskasing District High School. Joan and Paul retired in 1993 to live in North Carolina during the winter and on Georgian Bay during the summer. They moved to Orillia in 1998.

# Raymond Harold Larman (1933 – 2006)

Ray Larman was born in Toronto on February 6, 1933 and grew up in York Township, northwest of the St. Clair Ave. – Weston Rd. intersection. He was a popular student at WCVS during the late 1940's and early 50's and was a star athlete throughout that period. In 1948 Ray was a member of the midget football team that won the TDIAA Championship and in 1949-50 he was a member of the Junior Hockey team which also won the TDIAA title. He was also a member of the formidable Cooksville Brick & Tile Team that won the THL Midget Championship in the late 1940's.

After leaving WCVS, Ray worked briefly at the Moffat plant before moving to Niagara Falls where he joined Canada Post as a letter carrier and worked his way to a supervisory position. He took early retirement from Canada Post in 1985.

Ray had a lifetime passion for sports. As well as playing hockey and football, he also found time to coach youth hockey and baseball and was also a passionate golfer. Being the modest person that he was, few people knew that Ray scored three holes-in-one in his lifetime. Ray also loved the out-of-doors and nature. One of his greatest pleasures was spending time at remote fishing and hunting camps where he found peace in the great outdoors.

The Larmans were blessed with two children, Rae Anne and Richard and three grandchildren, Shea, Jocelynn and Justin. Ray passed away on April 7, 2006 in Fort Erie, aged 73. At least five WCVS alumni were in attendance at his funeral – Ed Chadwick (former Toronto Maple Leaf

Goalie, Wilf and Ines (Martini) Chard and Rudy and Audrey (Grimoldby) Miller. Ed, Wilf and Rudy were Ray's teammates on the aforementioned TDIAA Championship Football and Hockey Teams

## John Newsome (1928-2006)

John Newsome, a life-long Weston resident passed away on April 10, 2006 at the age of 77. After graduating from WCVS, John earned a Bachelor of Arts degree at the University of Toronto and was subsequently employed by Triad Appliances, a firm in which his father was a senior partner.

Over the years, John had a highly successful career as a musician, playing with a variety of organizations including: Canada's National Ballet Orchestra, the Savannah Symphony of Georgia, the CBC Television Orchestra, the Stratford Festival and the Royal Regimental Band of Canada. With the latter group he met both the Queen Mother and Prince Charles. Although he played several instruments, John's first love was the trombone and he practised daily.

As he eased into retirement, John continued to play in a variety of groups including the Etobicoke Symphony, the Metropolitan Silver Band, Gibb Rountree's Jazz Band and the Weston Silver Band. Data for this write-up were obtained from the June 2006 issue of "The Silver Bulletin", the Newsletter of the Weston Silver Band.

#### **DECADE NEWS – 1930**

By Orlando Martini

So far as can be reasonably determined, the oldest subscriber to the WCAF Newsletter is 88 year old (in July 2006) **Fred Worthington** of Waterloo, Ontario - Fred was a student at WHVS during the Great Depression - from 1931 until 1936. He spent four years in the academic stream and one year in the special commercial option.

Following graduation in 1936, Fred went to work as a clerk at Dominion Stores for \$6 per week when jobs were very much at a premium. Later, he worked for Facelle (a competitor of Kleenex facial tissues, located near the Weston-Mt. Dennis boundary) for \$12 per week. On February 21, 1941, Fred joined the Canadian Pacific Railway and remained with that firm until his retirement in May 1978.

Fred and his wife had three daughters; two became teachers and the other a registered nurse. A widower for several years, Fred no longer drives but is enjoying very good health.

**Betty (Irwin) Knight** worked for Confederation Life after graduating from Weston Collegiate and during World War II, served as a nursing assistant with the Canadian Red Cross. She is now retired and living in Cobourg, Ontario. Betty and her engineer husband had a daughter (a kindergarten teacher in Cobourg) and a son who is currently completing his doctorate degree in Business Administration. In September 2006, their son will start teaching at the "new" University of Ontario Institute of Technology in Oshawa.

Betty's brother, **Dr. "Luke" Irwin,** practised medicine for several years in Gravenhurst and is now retired in Orillia (Their father was also a medical doctor). Dr. "Luke" is married to Betty's colleague **Lorna Fraser** whose father practised law in Weston for many years.

# Late 1940s & Early 1950s

Margaret (Kell) Virany and her husband Tom (a mechanical engineer) are long-time residents of Aylmer, Quebec (Canada Post now uses the name "Gatineau" rather than Aylmer). A few years ago, Margaret wrote an interesting book about her parents and siblings entitled "A Book of Kells" which vividly describes her parents' work as missionaries in Northern Manitoba and traces several postings her father received from the Church including Northern Ontario and suburban Toronto (Fairbanks, Thistletown, etc.). The Foundation is indebted to **Deanne (Ashwell) Nelsen** of Northville, Michigan, for bringing Margaret's book to our attention.

After graduating from WCVS in 1954, **Gary Seagrave** earned B. Comm and M. Comm degrees from the University of Toronto. He then joined Kodak Canada and rose quickly through the ranks, eventually becoming a Company Director and its Chief Financial Officer. Gary and his wife, **Mary Walwyn**, (also a WCVS alumna) have four children and six grandchildren, all of whom reside in the Greater Toronto Area. After retiring from Kodak, Gary and Mary moved to Bond Head, Ontario, but regularly commute to Weston where Gary directs the practice sessions and performances of the Heritage Community Choir (a post that he has held for over 15 years).

Gary's younger brother, **Paul Seagrave**, a '56 WCVS Grad, earned a B.A. degree at U. of T. and then started his career as a high school teacher at Bloor Collegiate. After five years at Bloor, Paul joined the Chatham/Kent Board of Education where he progressed steadily through the ranks from teacher to department head, Vice Principal, Principal, and Superintendent. He retired in the early 1990s and now lives in Grand Bend, Ontario. Paul and his wife have two children, a boy and a girl.

**1950s** By Anne (Heslop) Simmons

**Anne (Heslop) Simmons** graduated from WCVS in 1957 and became "Canadian Cherry Pie Queen" in 1959. She graduated as a dietician in 1961 from the University of Guelph and has been involved with food science and nutrition ever since. Anne has lived in Victoria, B.C. since 1974 and has provided the following news of colleagues from her era.

- Patricia (Carlson) Hamilton Enjoyed a career in accounting, first in Ontario where her son and daughter were born, and subsequently in Alberta where the family moved in 1976.
   Widowed in 1985, Patricia retired (early) in 1997 but continues to work part-time from her Medicine Hat home.
- Arlie (Bradburn) Bethune went to Business College after graduating from WCVS in 1956 and subsequently worked as a secretary for Rice Construction and Semple & Gooder. In 1979 the family (two children) moved to Dayton, Ohio but subsequently returned to Ontario.

Arlie and husband Don will celebrate their 46<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in September 2006 at their summer home near Parry Sound before returning to Florida for the winter.

- Ruth (Wardlaw) Piercey was at WCVS from 1952 until 1957. Ruth married, had two
  wonderful children and is now enjoying two grandsons who keep her young. Having married
  a farmer, Ruth was a farm wife for many years and became one of the first registered
  "farmwomen" in Ontario. During the farming "off-season", Ruth managed to travel to a
  number of far-off places including Australia and New Zealand. She now lives in Elmvale,
  Ontario.
- During the period 1951 1955, Jim Wilson commuted to WCVS from the Humber Heights area of Etobicoke. He is now retired from teaching and lives in Burlington but keeps very active with District 13 RTO (Retired Teachers of Ontario) where he is a Past President and serves on the editorial committee of the District 13 Newsletter. During golf season, Jim is regularly on the course many mornings and is currently building a cedar strip canoe in his backyard workshop. Jim and his wife Mary enjoy dancing and regularly visit their daughters in the Toronto area.
- After graduating from WCVS in 1964, Raymond Heslop (Anne's cousin) studied Geography at York University and currently works for the Hudson's Bay Co. From 1971 until 2005, Raymond, (a life-long resident of Weston) kept busy as the owner, coach, and manager of the J & R Hawks hockey team. Currently he manages the Mississauga Terriors minor midget hockey team. Other interests include American Civil War History and US Sprint Car Racing.
- Garry Canning was a student at WCVS from 1960 until 1965 after which he enrolled at Wilfred Laurier University (it may have been Waterloo Lutheran when Garry enrolled). From university, Garry joined Kodak and worked there for 36 years, (until April 31, 2004) after which he and his wife Carol (Heslop) retired to Burlington, Ontario. The Cannings have a daughter and three sons. Currently, Garry drives a school bus and finds that he thoroughly enjoys the children.

**Doug and June Musslewhite** have retired from their professional careers but keep very active serving several volunteer groups including the Weston Collegiate Alumni Foundation (she's the Treasurer and he's the Past President). They have provided the following news about one of their teachers, Art Bell, and a number of their colleagues.

- We have confirmation that another of our teachers is still around. Art Bell is alive and well
  and living in North York. He was a boys' phys-ed teacher and coached several football and
  hockey teams.
- Alex & Cathy (McKay) Durrant recently sold their Rexdale home where they had lived for almost forty years. They moved to a gated retirement community in London called Riverbend. The Durrants have three children living in the Toronto area.

• **Linda (Musselwhite) Long** and her husband Bob have moved into the same community as the Durrants. They now have three grandchildren.

- Bruce Foden and Gayle (Vineham) Foden have recently moved from Wellington in Prince Edward County to an apartment in Belleville.
- Ken Koehler graduated from WCVS in 1959 and studied Commerce & Finance at U. of T where he earned a B. Comm degree. Subsequently he earned his CA and MBA degrees. He had a long and successful career in accounting and management consulting, including overseas stints in Barbados and Afghanistan. On Canada Day, 1967 Ken married Barbara Holley, a Weston grad, who had worked at Laidlaw Lumber. The Koehlers lived in Etobicoke for many years, had a son Terry, and now two grandsons. At present, Ken and Barb live in Haliburton next to his brother Ted in a house which they built themselves. Ken is active in two choirs and both he and Barb are avid travellers and campers.
- **lan Thompson** graduated from WCVS in 1954 and after studying geology at U. of T. spent his career as a geologist in the mining industry. A few years ago, he and his wife Frances moved to North Vancouver where he continues to work part-time at his own firm. The Thompsons have three children.
- Bob Williams is a retired stock broker. He is married and lives in Guelph. He is a strong supporter of the Alumni Foundation and was on our executive for a time.

1990s By: John Gardhouse

What do Japanese, Dentistry, Travel & Tourism, and the school song have in common? For those of you who do not know the answer, all of these things were either established or re-established (as is the case of the latter) in the 1990s. If you knew the answer, then you most likely went to Weston C.I. during the decade known as the 1990s.

For some of us who went to Weston C.I. during this wonderful decade, the friendships that were formed during this time will last a lifetime. Two such friends took it upon themselves to rewrite the school song during their tenure at Weston. Those brilliant song writers were Dionne Mason and Carol James. For those of you who do not know the "New Song" please feel free to read along:

# WESTON C.I.

Weston (Weston) C.I.
Our home and our pride (and our pride)
Where our dreams become reality
And as Ironmen we march on to victory
Together, we work to achieve our dreams
No matter how hard it may seem (it may seem)
As friends we grow up to be
In our school, Weston (Weston)
Our school, Weston (Weston)
In our school, Weston (Weston)
That we call our family!

Do you remember The Wolfman? I do (and thank you Jack for everything)! If you know him or me, please contact me (my e-mail is in the '90s section of the Weston Alumni web site's Guest Book) As for me, I leave you with words of great wisdom that I was given by another Weston grad, "Seek the Wolf in thyself!" You may find no better friend than "The Lone Wolf".

# **2000**s

One of the winners of our alumni award last year was Shire Brandi. It was recently announced that Shire is one of only twenty recipients across Canada of the TD Canada Trust Scholarship for Community Leadership. The scholarship is worth \$60,000 and covers full university tuition and living expenses as well as a summer job offer from TD for up to four years. Shire, who lives in Mississauga and commutes into Weston, received his award as an advocate for at-risk youth living in social housing through a group called Youth in Power.

# SOME DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI William H. "Louie" Reil

by Orlando Martini

After graduating from WCVS, Louie Reil joined A.V. Roe in Malton in 1954 where he received an excellent grounding in the areas of machining and production of aircraft component parts. He left A.V. Roe in 1957 and joined a specialty machine shop in North York where his father was a part owner. In this new environment, Louie soon found himself working countless hours each week because the firm was more than busy and relied heavily on his aircraft experience and expertise. After toiling for five years, and sensing that his dedication and strong work ethic were not fully appreciated, Louie left the firm and launched his own Company, Reil Industrial Enterprises Ltd. which was initially based in his first family home. Louie's initial assignment came from a WCVS colleague, the late John Whalen who had received an assignment from Imperial Oil. John's assignment was to provide holders for the early charge card imprinters used at the pumps of service stations.

Using some of its early profits plus money from a second mortgage, Reil Industrial Enterprises moved from family home after three or four months to rented quarters on Millport Drive in Etobicoke where the firm quickly earned a reputation for turning out some of the finest component parts for commercial aircraft anywhere – and all of this was accomplished before the days of computer – controlled lathes and other sophisticated machines that are now standard equipment in high-tech machine shops. Due to continued growth through the 1960s and 70s, Reil Industrial Enterprises moved from Millport Drive to Carrier Drive and later to a 5000 sq.ft. shop in the Finch Avenue – Weston Road area of North York. For the past 19 years, the firm has been based in a 25,000 sq.ft., company-owned building in northern Mississauga.

Following the terrorist attack of September 11, 2001, companies producing aircraft components were very seriously impacted because of reduced air travel that curtailed the production of many new aircrafts. Louie Reil, however received the challenge of his life in this period when "Houston came calling" through their Brampton, Ontario contractor, MDA with a request to produce in record time, an extension for the Canada Arm of NASA's Space Shuttles. This extremely difficult assignment caused Louie and his staff many sleepless nights but they persevered and the project turned out to be a resounding success. As a reward, Louie was invited to Cape Canaveral, Florida to watch the subsequent launch of the Shuttle together with several dignitaries including the U.S.

First Lady, Laura Bush. A further NASA reward followed the Canada Arm Extension project, namely, production of an exploratory vehicle that will one day roam the surface of Mars.

Over the years, Louie Reil has always maintained an active role in industry associations including the Air Industries Association of Canada (AIAC) where he served as a director and chair of the small business committee over a period of 25 years. He was appointed to the Science Council of Canada in 1983 and is still a Director of the Ontario Aerospace Council.

Louie Reil's illustrious career in the aircraft and aerospace industry now spans more than 50 years and he has no immediate plans to retire. He has turned over responsibility for manufacturing management to his middle son, Bill Jr., but continues to show up for work most days.

For nearly 20 years, Louie Reil played lacrosse and his interest in that sport remains keen. He is a season ticket holder to the Toronto Rock games and rarely misses a game when his grandsons are playing. Louie is also an avid golfer and regularly plays with his Green Gael lacrosse buddies. He also includes Marc Garneau, Canada's first astronaut in space, as a golf partner. On the home front, Louie is married to Weston Collegiate alumna, Elenor Kotyck and they will be celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on October 27, 2006. They have five children, nine grandsons, five granddaughters and five great grandsons. During the summer of 2005, the Reils left their Thorncrest Village (Etobicoke) home of 28 years and moved to a new house in the hills of Erin.

# Carole (Goss) Taylor O.C.

Carole (Goss) Taylor, a 1965 graduate of WCVS was interviewed by Dr. Melba (Richardson) Burns in Vancouver in 2002 and Melba's biographical sketch of Carole appeared in the WCAF Newsletter of the same year. At the time of that interview, Carole was Chair of the Board of Directors of the CBC and had recently been made an Officer of the Order of Canada (O.C.).

In 2005, Carole resigned her post with the CBC and entered Provincial politics as a Liberal member of the B.C. Legislature. Since May 2005 she has been the Minister of Finance in Premier Gordon Campbell's B.C. Government.

Michael Scott by Robert Heath

This is an update to the article in the 2004 Weston Collegiate Alumni Newsletter. On December 31, 2005, Michael Scott's term as Chief Commissioner and Chair of the Board of Governors of Scouts Canada came to an end. He has aided in the implementation of many changes to Scouts Canada during his term to make the organization better for both youth and the adult volunteers. As written in the January 2006, the Leader magazine:

"Mike Scott has shown great leadership as Chief Commissioner and Chair of the Board of Governors through a very challenging time in Scouts Canada. He is the first volunteer to fully experience the change in structure that saw the role of National President eliminated and one person (Chief Commissioner) assuming overall responsibility for all aspects of Scouting in Canada"

For his excellent work, Michael Scott was awarded the Silver Wolf, the highest honour in Scouts Canada, for service of the most exceptional nature to Scouting, normally of national importance.

Michael Scott recently retired as President and CEO of Peace Bridge Brokerage Limited and, with his family, moved to the town of Sooke on Vancouver Island, where he works part time as a consultant and continues to be involved in Scouting.

# **Glenn Morley**

by Doug Musselwhite

Glenn Morley comes from a very musical family; his four sisters are or have been all involved in choirs. Glenn graduated from WCI in 1970 and received his Bachelor of Fine Arts from York University in 1975. Since graduation, he has achieved notable success in the music world.

Glenn is a composer, conductor and musical director who is active in theatre, television and film. He has won three Gemini awards, two for CTV and one for the CBC. His scores have been used at the Stratford, Shaw and Blyth Festivals. He has written the themes for at least four CBC TV series. He has worked closely with Holly Cole, Gino Vanelli and other well known Canadian artists. Glenn created the scores for several TV shows including Royal Canadian Air Farce and the recent special "Golden Will – The Silken Laumann Story". Glenn has also had his works performed by at least four Canadian orchestras, including the Toronto Symphony. He is a founding member and past President of the Guild of Canadian Film Composers.

Glenn is indeed a notable alumnus, with a distinguished record of achievement in Canadian music. You can visit Glenn's company's website < www.tambre.com >

# The International Baccalaureate Program at WCI

By Gary Hophan

The International Baccalaureate (IB) is a world-renowned Graduation Diploma that is recognized for admission to universities throughout Canada and the rest of the world. The program is taken during the last two years of high school, but because of its challenging, rigorous curriculum, most schools, including Weston, offer a preparatory (pre-IB) program in grades 9 and 10. All IB and pre-IB courses are offered at the Enriched level. Course content and academic standards go well beyond normal Ontario expectations, and by grade 12 the IB students are doing university level work. In addition, students are expected to fulfill non-academic requirements (150 hours) in the areas of Creativity, Action, and Service. IB students are seriously involved in all aspects of school and community life. Teachers are specially selected and trained before teaching in the program.

At Weston, the IB program has been structured to meet the needs of those students interested primarily in languages and the humanities as well as those more interested in mathematics and the sciences. This year (2006) marks Weston's eleventh IB Graduating class. Our students generally are admitted to the universities of their first choice, and many receive substantial scholarships and offers of advanced standing. We are very proud of the exemplary performance of these students.

# **Charitable Donors 2005**

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<sup>\*</sup> First WCI Alumnus to receive the Order of Canada

# **IN MEMORIAM**

Since publication of the last Newsletter in June 2005, the Weston Collegiate Alumni Foundation has been informed of the passing of the alumnae/alumni/staff listed below. Heart felt condolences are extended to the families and friends of the deceased. Please let us know if we have missed anyone.

ERA	NAME	RESIDENCE	DATE
60s	John Newsome	Summerland BC	Jun 25/05
40s	David Pawson	Flesherton, ON	July 1/05
40s	George "Bud" Bennett	Toronto, ON	July 29/05
40s	Clarke F. Gastrell	Red Deer, AB	Aug 5/05
40s/50s	Joan (Maguire) Bennett	Orillia, ON	Aug. 19/05
30s	Marjorie (Rombough) Pope		Sept 13/05
40s	Albert "Albie" Bunn	Mississauga ON	Oct 2/05
20s	Helen (Stong) Minielly	Beaverton ON	Oct 23/05
40s	Eileen (Malindine) Cruickshank	Orillia ON	Oct 27/05
40s	Donna (Bunda) Baker	Weston, ON	Nov 6/05
40s	Norma (Glassford) Gastrell	Red Deer, AB	Nov 21/05
30s/40s	Jack MacLeod	Weston ON	Dec 11/05
30s/40s	Ruth (Mattison) Lawrence	Weston ON	Jan 25/06
30s	Margaret (Fortune) Hood	Halton ON	Feb 6/06
30s	Albert ('Al") Harris	Thornhill ON	Mar 4/06
30s	Orlon Hall	Bradenton FLA	Mar 16/06
40s/50s	Tom Ashwell	Jamestown N.D.	Mar 25/06
40s/50s	Ray Larman	Fort Erie ON	Apr 7/06
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