



## South Collegiate Alumni Association Fall 2014



# LIONS' PRIDE

*Virtus Repulsae Nescia Sordidae*

## MORE TOAST THAN ROAST ... *Honouring Long Serving SCAA President*

by **Connie (Woods) Weir ('66)**

This May's AGM marked the end of an era, as **Pete Telford (staff, 1978-98)**, who had served as President of the SCAA for most of its fifteen year existence, stepped down. After leading the Association through two major Reunions, several Homecomings and a number of other innovative projects, Pete had certainly earned the right to "retire with honour". His years of service could not go unrecognized, however, so the SCAA executive held a "Roast" in his honour at our May 7<sup>th</sup> AGM.

As well as the members of the executive, fourteen additional alumni attended the meeting to help honour Pete, including former teachers **Joanne Mayhew (1962-93)**, **Sam Wendt (1981-95)**, **Frank Littell (1979-2002)**, **Bill Bettger (1996-99)** and Pete's wife, **Betty Telford (1974-99)**, as well as former head secretary **Bev Baines (1995-2013)**, former principals **Paul Mennill (1986-89)** and **John Thorpe (1989-93)** and **Carolyn MacVicar ('80)**, who served as SCAA Treasurer for 13 years.

Friend and teaching colleague, **Ian Underhill (1969-92)**, who has known Pete since their university days at Western, could not make the meeting but kindly shared a couple of humorous stories from their shared past, one of which is reproduced below:

*"Pete and I had been granted a semester off (in 1978) to do research on Integrated Studies, an approach to learning being employed in the US and UK, but not in Canada. The problem was that there were so many schools in the UK and we had to narrow the list. Pete's talent came to the fore. It happened that he belonged to a group called CAMRA, otherwise*

*known as the Campaign to Save Real Ale, a group dedicated to supporting small independent breweries selling beer in local pubs. So, we simply made a list of all the towns that featured both a school with Integrated Studies and a pub serving real ale! When we explained our research methods to a Scot headmaster, he declared that it was brilliant. And so I add my voice to those praising Pete. He richly deserves our thanks for his tireless work and his manifold talents."*

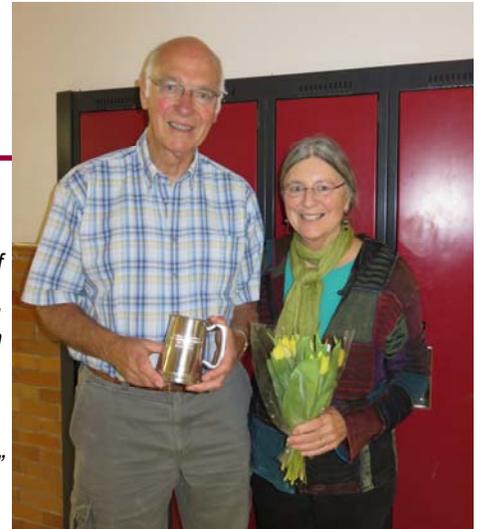
**Dan Knight ('07)**, former SCAA Director and 85<sup>th</sup> Reunion Chair also offered some words of praise:

*"Pete lives and breathes everything South! He's a perfect example of what Lions' Pride is about. He's been a great leader, leading the SCAA to success in everything and anything the team takes on..."*

As the longest serving director after Pete, I was asked to say a few words on behalf of the Executive. Given my experiences on the Association with Pete, I could only "toast not roast":

*"I have never known Pete to be anything but kind, hardworking & thoughtful, a man of integrity if ever there was one... His leadership style has always been exemplary - always prepared, always organized, quietly efficient and determined, but also always willing to listen to new ideas and encourage others."*

Incoming SCAA President, **Knute Dohnberg ('65)** praised Pete's "gentle way of getting the best out of his fellow Directors... (and his) innovative ideas to make the SCAA even more relevant to South's ever growing number of alumni... the perfect Executive Committee Chairman".



Retiring SCAA President, Pete Telford, with wife Betty

As part of the tribute, it was announced that a new alumni sponsored student award would be created in Pete's name, with Pete being asked to decide on the criteria to be used to determine the winner. He was also given a pewter stein to acknowledge his years of service.

Following the meeting some light refreshments were served, including a specially decorated cake.



**Final Note:** Fortunately for the SCAA, Pete will not be leaving the executive, but has agreed to stay on in the newly created position of Past President. That means the Association can continue to draw upon not just his knowledge of South but also his calm judgment and advice.

# HIGHLIGHTS - 2014 AGM

**Financial Report** - Treasurer, **Andrea Manias**, was pleased to report an excellent response to the insert in last spring's newsletter, requesting increased financial support from alumni to help make up for the losses incurred by the 85<sup>th</sup> Reunion. This response came from just 400 mailed hard copies of the newsletter. Unfortunately, the donation request was not posted on our website at the same time the spring newsletter was, so it may have been missed by many alumni who read the newsletter online. If that is the case, please check out the link on the Home Page: "**Help the SCAA continue its good work**". While our financial situation is not as worrisome as it was, additional contributions would be most appreciated.

**SCAA Projects** - In one of his final duties as Chair, **Pete Telford** outlined our ongoing projects:

- Students' Council photos (on the east wall of the cafeteria) – still incomplete
- Recording of school song – to be put on the alumni website
- Hallway photos – photos need framing for 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> floors
- Outdoor Beautification – some improvements to date but more work needed

When Pete asked for suggestions from the floor for possible future projects, **Betty Telford** wondered if the SCAA should consider taking over the "seat sponsoring" program to help fund much needed upgrades to the South auditorium. While some funds had been raised under the direction of former principal **Larry Schneider (2007-11)**, the momentum for this fundraising initiative has faltered recently.

**New SCAA Executive** – The new slate was unanimously accepted and elected to serve a 3-year term.

President – Knute Dohnberg ('65)  
Vice-President – Lynne Hevey ('74)  
Past President – Pete Telford (staff, 1978-98)  
Secretary – Mike Bloxam ('01)  
Treasurer – Andrea Manias ('70) (staff, 1976-2009)  
Newsletter Editor – Connie Weir ('66)  
Nancy Jane Coups ('56) – Director  
Jonah Melville ('96) – Director  
Ken Ramer ('70) – Director (new)  
Susan Bawden ('86) – Director (new)  
Jason Menard ('92) – Director (new)

The three retiring SCAA Executive members, **Kelly Kleinhans ('80)**, **Sandy Ross ('79)** and **Summer Burton ('92)**, were thanked for their years of service and wished the best in future endeavours. The three new board members (as noted above) were welcomed and thanked for their willingness to come "on board".



**Six Member Executive Committee**

L to R: Andrea Manias, Mike Bloxam, Lynne Hevey, Knute Dohnberg, Connie Weir & Pete Telford

## GATHERING ON THE GREEN

After missing last year's "Gathering" because of its date, just one week after our 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations, the SCAA was back at "The Green" last June. As you can see from the photo, we set up a pretty impressive booth.

As well as a variety of information items on the SCAA, we also gave out copies of the Neighbourhood Walk booklet "Prowl the Pride" and made \$60 selling some old yearbooks and merchandise left over from the 85<sup>th</sup>.

Given the beautiful weather and good crowds at the event, all of us who volunteered for a shift decided that it was more fun than work and well worth the effort.



L to R: Jonah Melville & Knute Dohnberg

# HOMECOMING 2014 – OCT. 10



On Friday, October 10, South held its annual Thanksgiving weekend Homecoming and both the Junior and Senior football teams easily defeated their opponents, the Banting Broncos. South, the smallest school in London high schools' 'A' division, is having a good year on the gridiron. The Juniors remain undefeated (as of Oct 18th), and beat the Broncos 50-0 that evening. The Seniors, also headed for the play-offs, won 42-21.

This year, the SCAA added a new aspect to Homecoming, by honouring players from the senior Lions' teams of 1964 and 1989. They were invited to a banquet held in the school Atrium, MC'd by SCAA director and former football player, **Jonah Melville ('96)**. Former coach, **Bruce Tuck (staff, 1979-92)** gave a very entertaining after dinner speech. Before the start of the senior game, all former players were introduced. **Knute Dohnberg ('65)** commented: "As the '64 team (50 years ago!) walked onto the field, they were greeted by loud cheers from the large crowd of spectators. **Greg White ('66)** (our star running back in '64), even flew up from Florida. Several others came from far afield... Detroit, Ottawa, etc. It was especially great to see **Bob Keene ('64)** again, our fearless team captain that year."

Although the group was smaller than anticipated, it allowed a wonderful opportunity for everyone to mingle and reminisce. It was great to hear the stories that poured out from past experiences from our special Alma Mater. This new venture is likely to be repeated in years to come.

For anyone interested in football memorabilia, coach **Todd Gamble ('95)** has informed us of a **fundraiser for South Football**: Old (display purposes only) helmets are being sold for \$60. Anyone interested can contact Todd at [t.gamble@tvdsb.on.ca](mailto:t.gamble@tvdsb.on.ca).

## SOME ALUMNI FEEDBACK:

"I had no great expectations given the size of the group, but it turned out to be a fun time... Some in the group I got to know better than when we spent five years together in high school. Interesting the directions people's lives have taken. Thanks again for keeping me updated."

**Charlene (Atkins) Lovett ('66)**

"Thanks for orchestrating the 1964 Lions football team reunion: Great meal, engaging speaker, lots of spirited camaraderie. The Alumni executive did an excellent job and needs to be congratulated on its efforts to welcome back this grizzled group. The members of the team who elected to pass on this event missed a once-only chance to say thanks to the executive, their old school and each other. Nevertheless, regards to them too!"

**Bill Culp ('66)**

"We are from a slightly earlier era. Steve (**Gabriel Brodsky, '51**), my life's partner for 61 years, played Juniors' "Inside" (long since called Guard) and "Middle" (long since called Tackle); and I was a South cheerleader.

Unfortunately we cannot attend Homecoming, but perhaps the newsletter editor would have use

for this: It was through the newsletter that we discovered **Paul Burd (staff, 1947-57)** and his devoted wife Jane, who unbeknownst to us, had been living for ten years only two blocks from us here in Sidney, BC. Paul, who succeeded **Ernie McTavish (1947-61)** as South's football coach in that era, celebrated his 90th birthday on August 24, 2014, with a marvellous reception. The presence of about 50 friends and family attests to the enduring impact of Paul's warm and enthusiastic approach to life -- on the football field, on the golf course, and at the bridge table. We're cheering for him, and I'm still cheering for our South Lions."

**Kit Brodsky (née Katie Wright) ('52)**

**Editor's Note:** When the Brodskys learned that my husband and I were going to be in Sidney at the end of October, they kindly invited us to dinner at their home along with the Burds. It's amazing where and how South alumni are connecting with each other.



**Team 1964 Alumni (L to R):** Bill Culp ('66), Peter Burger ('66), Greg White ('66), Knute Dohnberg ('65), Bob Keene ('64), Sam Shortt ('65) and Bill Bryce ('66)



**Homecoming Banquet Attendees**

# South's Entrepreneurs Value Lessons from the Lions' Den

by Sandy Ross, class of 1979, [www.SandyRoss.ca](http://www.SandyRoss.ca)

In his blog entry, *All I Needed to Know about Business I Learned in High School*, the [www.bonigala.com](http://www.bonigala.com) author points to lessons that echo from our teen years to resonate later in our careers and other enterprises. Among the valuable "hindsight" from high school are the following:

- Reputation matters more than popularity
- Cliques do interact, and they should
- Mistakes aren't forever

Curious to hear the perspectives of [South alumni who are fellow entrepreneurs](#), I asked those in our business directory which lessons from high school have served them well as entrepreneurs, and how?

**Ken Steele ('80)**, Eduvation Inc. [www.eduvation.ca](http://www.eduvation.ca), and former editor of *Lions' Pride* offered a number of interesting insights:

"I definitely learned the **power of the press** – from the school newspaper, yearbook, a sci-fi fan magazine or two. Writing and editing news is a serious responsibility, shaping public perceptions, even public agenda. I went on to edit many organizational newsletters before I found my calling: editing Canada's higher education news daily, the **Academica Top Ten**. More than 20,000 subscribers depend on our overview of news affecting colleges and universities. My full-time job is to travel to conferences and campuses to summarize emerging trends and help people interpret the barrage of change coming to higher education.

I also learned at South the value of **relating to a broad range of audiences**. I like to think I learned to get along with all the cliques, from athletes and student government, to marginalized artist and science fiction types. That skill's invaluable as I now **build consensus** between colleges and universities, between faculty and support staff, business types on boards of governors and left-leaning philosophy professors. I can see things from many points of view, and try to bridge all these various solitudes.

I learned the **power of staying in touch** with friends. Many of my closest at South are still friends now, 35 years later. There's a trust with lifelong friends that's hard to replicate with new acquaintances – although sometimes when you're lucky, you find it and recognize it because of those model friendships from your youth.

Finally, I think I learned **how to read people**, how to spot a phony, and how to appreciate an honest, loyal friend when I was in high school.

**Andrew McClenaghan ('97)**, Digital Echidna [www.echidna.ca](http://www.echidna.ca), host of the alumni website, focused on some other "golden rules" from childhood:

**"Do unto others.** The golden rule is a simple and guiding principle for many successful small businesses. And no matter any myth to the contrary – in reality, it is **never too late to change directions**. Lastly, your whole life is ahead of you – **don't peak too soon.**"

## Lawsuit Settled... South Benefactor Vindicated

Over the past nine years, **Matt Giffen ('85)** has donated \$475,000 to improve South's athletic facilities. First there was a generous donation to help replace the gym floor, then another donation to renovate South's sports field, including the construction of bleachers and the installation of an electronic score board and clock, in memory of his father **James A. Giffen**. Matt, a former Lions' quarterback, wanted South to have the best football field in the city. Unfortunately, the field of Matt's dreams didn't happen. The TVDSB, in an apparent effort to be "frugal", contracted the work out to a paving company, rather than sports fields experts, and the result was a field that had "drainage problems, bald spots and was as hard as a parking lot."



In 2009 some work was done to improve the drainage, but after Matt complained that the field was still "one of the worst in the city", the TVDSB refused to accept any additional donations. That meant that no further improvements could be made and Matt, understandably angry, brought a lawsuit against the TVDSB for failing to use his funds as specified. That lawsuit finally reached the court on Oct. 22/14. The case, however, didn't get past opening statements before it was adjourned for discussions, and the following day it was announced that a settlement had been reached.

The TVDSB issued a media statement announcing the agreement:

"Both parties are pleased that this resolution will allow a major improvement to the previous renovation of the athletic facility at South and achieve excellence through Mr. Giffen's generous donations... Based upon expert advice and oversight by sports field specialists, these improvements will be implemented starting June 2015 in order to be ready for the 2015-16 school year."

The important bottom line for South alumni, as LFP reporter Jane Sims stated in her article "Fight Over South's Field Settled" (LFP, 10/23/14) is that *"The South London Lions will get to roar on an improved football field."* Great news!

Thanks again, Matt, not only for your generous donations, but for refusing to give up on your dream.



## SCHOOL NEWS ...

### South Honours 2014 Grads: Commencement 2014

On **Thursday, October 9, 2014**, 159 new members were welcomed into the SCAA. As this annual event proceeded, students crossed the stage to shake hands and receive diplomas and awards while friends and family members proudly acknowledged their successful completion of graduation requirements. Ontario Scholarships (average of 80% and above) were given to 68 of these students. Of these, 24 received an Alumni Award for earning a minimum average of 90%, including Valedictorian **Ceilidh Harrison**. **Justin Mill** received the Scholarship and Participation Award; **Natalie Evans** received the Carla Mills Award, South Anniversary Award and Scholarship Award; and **Julia Cantelon** earned the Governor General's Medal and was named "Scholar of the Year". Congratulations to all!

### 75th Anniversary Award Winner... another honour for former SCAA president:

Early in the commencement ceremony, **Pete Telford** was surprised to be named the winner of the 75th Anniversary Award - in recognition of his work on the Alumni Association as president and archivist. A well deserved honour for someone who has contributed so much to "making South a quality school".

### South grad achieves artistic success:

After leaving South, **Emily Carroll ('01)** graduated from Sheridan College's Classical Animation program. She is now an award-winning comic creator known for stunning visual style and impeccable pacing, revered for her online work. Emily recently made her print debut with the publication of "**Through the Woods**" by Simon and Schuster. She is seen in the photo at a recent book-signing, with a smile that is easily remembered by her peers. Her stories, inspired by fairy tales and accompanied by richly coloured drawings, show the somewhat dark side of her horror-comics. Among many tributes, Kate Beaton writes "*Emily Carroll should be recognized as one of the best graphic storytellers out there.*"

by **Andrea (Fewster) Manias ('70) (staff 1976-09)**



### Other News:

The **Musical Theatre Program** will be performing evening shows of "**In the Heights**" from **January 14 to 17, 2015**. This is the tenth year of teachers Alison Gamble and Kevin Wild working together.

**South's Golf Team**, coached by Bill Schneider and Al Pratt, won silver at the annual OFSAA tournament held in Stratford in mid-October. Team members: Jake Johnson, Jacob Fleet, Bryson Wood & Cole Fleet



## IN LOCAL NEWS....

**MARION (LUNEY) MURRAY ('36)**, who passed away in March 2013 (*Spring 2013 issue*), was praised in a Free Press article Apr. 28/14 for her generous bequest to Western University: \$1.6 million to establish a scholarship program for graduate students of microbiology, immunology and pathology. Murray's husband, Dr. Robert Murray, whose international legacy as a microbiologist has spanned 70 years, referred to his late wife as "*den mother*" to hundreds of young medical researchers during her long career as a laboratory technologist at Western University. With this gift, Murray "*made sure she could continue nurturing young people in the labs she loved and be an unseen patron of their medical discoveries*". The new fund is in addition to her donation in 1999 of \$1.2 million.

**DAVID HARVEY ('66)**, Chief Public Policy and Program Initiatives Officer at the **Alzheimer Society of Ontario**, says that the Society has been encouraging people with dementia to be physically active for years. Now, however, following the release of some of the most conclusive evidence to date showing that a physically, socially and mentally active lifestyle can significantly decrease the incidence or progression of a number of diseases, the Alzheimer Society has introduced a new program called **Minds in Motion**. "*Research continues to show that physical activity and mental stimulation are good for you, and good for your brain,*" states Harvey. "*They encourage the development of new cells and new connections, a process the brain is capable of doing at any age! Not only can this slow the progression of Alzheimer's, it can decrease the risk of developing the disease.*"

**TODD GAMBLE ('95) (current staff)**, a popular South coach and history teacher, has kindly agreed to act as staff liaison for the SCAA. As liaison, Todd will ensure that we are kept up to date on school events and also bring to our attention any staff feedback pertinent to the association.

On another note, Todd and wife **Allison Gamble (current staff)** are justly proud of son Parker who was selected to attend the National Ballet Summer School program this summer. Parker apparently had a wonderful time and is already talking about auditioning for the full time program and moving to Toronto.



## MAIL BOX...

### Letters and e-mails from alumni



#### 60 YEARS LATER...

Back in the 1950's I played trumpet in our Senior High School Band at South. During that time London South produced a performance of the musical *Oklahoma* and I played trumpet in the pit band for the performance.

I currently play trumpet in a Concert Band in Newmarket, Ontario. Last week at rehearsal, we played the song "Oklahoma" which is probably not that unusual except that I was playing the same song on exactly the same trumpet 60 years later, which is what prompted me to write this down.



**Ken Wright ('59)**

#### Remembering South in the 1970's...

South in the first half of the 70's decade was an interesting time, in a building somewhat different from the present one.

When I entered Grade 9 in 1970, I chose Industrial Arts, "shop class" as one of my subjects. The shop, located near today's technology centre, had facilities for learning woodworking and metal working, including welding. (It's a good thing that I never had to support myself on the few welding skills that I acquired.) I joined a group of shop students for whom canoe building was both their in-class and their extra-curricular activity, under the guidance of shop teacher **Rick Hodgson (1965 - 77)**. Space for such activities was limited, so most of the work on the canoes took place in the hallways, much to the dismay of the teachers, due to the noise. However, it was much better than another working location, a wet basement room adjacent to the boiler room.

An annual activity of the Grade 11 shop class was the design and construction of a cottage, with large sections of the framing pre-fabricated in the outside "quadrangle" in the centre of the school (now the inside Atrium area). I spent a large amount of my time in Grades 9 to 12 in the shop and still have a chair and a table, which I made in the shop, as a reminder of my time at South.

The seventies was a time of important social change and protests to spark this change were popular. The entity that was most protested by young people was the Vietnam War. In 1972, the Americans were bombing Cambodia and many American teenagers were being drafted to fight. The average age of a soldier was 19. Students here were opposed to the war and anti-American in their attitude. During this time, an American high school band came to South to play and received a very rude reception during the auditorium when they performed. For our misguided protest, we received a severe reprimand from Principal **Bob Mann (1965-73)**. Mr. Mann was the first of two principals that I had. The second was **Howard Capes (1970-77)**, who became an extremely well liked principal after first being a vice-principal.

One part of the social change in Canada in the Seventies were the bilingual and bicultural policies initiated by Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau. The **Young Voyageurs** program was a student exchange program between Quebec and the Anglophone provinces that grew out of these policies. In Grade 11, I was chosen, along with **Heather Lennox ('75)**, to be a representative from South for an exchange between the London high schools and a school in Repentigny, Quebec. It was a great experience and I was honoured to represent South.

During Grades 9 & 10, the semester system was not in place, so we had 7 subjects and lunch every day. In 1972, South was selected to be one of two schools in London to test out the new semester system. Apart from the need to adapt to longer periods, we liked the change, especially as many of us could walk home for a hot lunch and still do some homework. It did, however, put an end to games of euchre with my friends in the cafeteria during lunch. I'm sure that sounds kind of "lame" to students today, but despite the long hair and bell-bottoms that were in fashion then, we were still very "straight" by today's standards.



**Kevin Barr ('75)**

**Brooks Gray ('93)** is an actor/comedy writer/producer, known for **Cock'd Gunns** (2007), **Garbage Day** (2011), and most recently **The Amazing Gayl Pile** (2014). **The Amazing Gayl Pile** ([www.gaylpile.com](http://www.gaylpile.com)) is a 10-part Canadian-made web series on the You-Tube channel JASH. Co-written and co-directed by South alumnus Brooks Gray and colleague Morgan Waters, the series is a show "about a hilariously unusual Shop-at-Home Channel host and the world he inhabits".

Gayl Pile, played by Morgan Waters, hosts *The Ladies' Power Hour*, "the lowest-paid gig at the near-bankrupt Shop-At-Home Channel". Reverend Dave White (**Brooks Gray**) is a "self-righteous clergyman who makes a living pushing shoddy religious collectables on the Shop-at-Home Channel. Dave considers himself Gayl's spiritual guide and constantly offers him unsolicited counsel, usually over microwave burritos in the Shop-At-Home-Channel lunchroom".

The show's creators are apparently hoping the show will become a full-length TV series.



# IN MEMORIAM

**Ted Duplan ('39)** passed away peacefully in London on May 12, 2014, age 91. Beloved husband of **Janet (Down) Duplan ('47)** and loving father of **Susan Duplan ('72)** of Pender Island, BC, John Duplan of Mount Brydges and Gord Duplan of London. Dear grandpa of six and great-grandpa of three. Ted served in the Canadian Navy during World War II as a Wireless Telegrapher. He was a member of St. Paul's Cathedral in London for 70 years, as well as a longtime member of the Highland Golf & Country Club. In addition to golfing and curling, Ted loved dogs, Blue Jays baseball and family time spent at the cottage on Lake Huron.

**William J. Bailey ('49)** passed away in London on Apr. 9, 2014, in his 83rd year. Beloved husband of **Mary (Stothers) ('49)** and brother of **Robert ("Bob") Bailey ('53)**. Also survived by four children, ten grandchildren and two great grandchildren. A Life member of Kilwinning Lodge No. 64, Bill was President of London Motor Products and a Past Chair of the Canadian Automobile Associates Mid-Western Ontario Club.



**Margaret Ann (Bayne) Raymond ('56)** passed away in Toronto on May 9, 2014 after a courageous battle with cancer. Beloved wife of Matt Raymond and mother of Kathy and David (Susie) Raymond. Also survived by six grandchildren and her brother, **Bill Bayne ('53)**. SCAA Director **Nancy Jane (Holmes) Coups ('56)** remembers good times shared with Marg as members of South's Cheerleading Squad.

**Richard Stewart Woods ('66)** passed away June 9, 2014 at home surrounded by his family after a courageous six year battle with multiple myeloma, lung cancer and COPD. Loved and sadly missed by wife Karen, four children (Gilleen, Matthew, Kristin and Adam) and two grandchildren. Rick was owner and CEO of Mel Hall transport for 39 years. He loved boats and Trans-Am's but considered the love of his family his greatest achievement.

**Bruce Hillman ('67)** passed away May 31, 2014 at University Hospital, age 66. Dear brother of **Barb (Hillman) Roth**

**(70), Alan Hillman ('71) and Sandie (Hillman) McTavish ('74)**. Also survived by his sons, Andrew and Anthony. Bruce received his Masters degree in History from UWO and his Bachelor of Education from Althouse College. Described as a "kind, gentle soul" who loved animals, Bruce worked at Petacular for several years and was valued for his insight and dedicated service.

**Charles Gordon ("Gord") Patrick ('69)**, age 64, passed away Apr. 25, 2014 in London. Dear brother of **Richard ("Dick") Patrick ('61)**, Elizabeth Shelden, **Mary Hill ('72)**, Tom Patrick, and Jane Brown. Also survived by his son, Dr. David Patrick of Guelph.

**Donald Allan Young ('56) (staff 1968-71)** passed away July 23, 2014. Beloved husband of Bonnie (nee Farr) and dear father of Gavin (Lisa), Eric (Kristen), Jonathan (Sasha), Jodie (Dave) and Jaime (Anthony). Also survived by 12 grandchildren.



A fine athlete during his years at South, Don went on to coach hundreds of student athletes during his 35 year career as a physical education teacher in the London area, which included three years at South. Don and his wife retired to Caledon in 1995 and then moved to Elora in 2010.

**Roger Treston Macaulay (principal, 1964-68)** passed away peacefully in London, on Sunday, May 18th, 2014, in his 93rd year. Predeceased by Betty, his cherished wife of 66 years.



Proud father of four sons: Peter (Jan), Dan, Jeff (Lorna) and Tom (Lana). He is also survived by his nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**Editor's Note:** Known as "Roger T" (as students we never knew what the "T" stood for), Roger Macaulay was one of South's most distinguished principals. The cover story of the **Spring 2009** issue (See our online archives) outlined his impressive list of career commitments

and accomplishments. As noted then, Roger excelled at whatever job he took on: teacher, coach, inspector, principal and London Board of Education superintendent. Even after retirement, he took on new challenges, including serving as manager of "Over 55", a non-profit organization that assists older men and women in finding employment.



**Jean Elizabeth (Morgenroth) King (staff, 1979-96)**

passed away June 11, 2014 at Parkwood Hospital, after a long illness, age 72. Born in London, Jean graduated from

Western and started teaching high school science in her early twenties. She loved working with South students and will be remembered for her warm, personal teaching style and unique sense of humour.

Jean coached Girls' Curling from 1980 to 1992, very successfully - producing six London Conference Championships, as well as WOSSA Championships in 1985 and 1986.

Jean is survived by her husband James, daughter Caroline and grandson Eduard, as well as two brothers, Karl and Donald Morgenroth. Jean loved to travel, walk in the park and play bridge. "A smart, funny, outgoing and generous lady", she will be deeply missed by family and friends.

**Clarke S. Samways (staff, 1989-94)**



passed away at McGarrell Place on July 30, 2014 at the age of 75, after a long and courageous battle with

Alzheimer's. Clarke was a dedicated educator and coach in London, a career that included five years at South.

Clarke's coaching career was filled with many significant achievements, but most important were the many lives he impacted on and off the field.

Clarke is survived by two sons, Steven (Patti) and Scott, their mother Donna, two grandchildren and his brother **Brian ("Barney") (staff, 1986-92)**. In his honour, the Clarke Samways Memorial Weight Room has been established at A.B. Lucas Secondary School.



# TECUMSEH PUBLIC SCHOOL TURNS 100!

This milestone will be celebrated with several events throughout the year, including...

## REUNION WEEKEND

### MAY 15-16, 2015

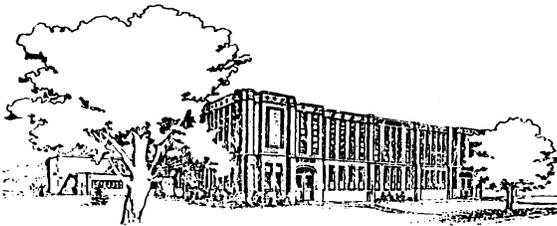
Information can be found at

Twitter: @Tecumseh100th

[Tecumseh.onehundre@gmail.com](mailto:Tecumseh.onehundre@gmail.com)

Facebook: "Tecumseh Public School's 100th Anniversary"

**NOTE:** Jean Ramer is collecting memorabilia and photos. If anyone has any material they would loan, please contact her at [ramers@rogers.com](mailto:ramers@rogers.com).



## The Barefoot Walk

... one more reason to be proud of South

Six years ago, the students of South's Social Justice Committee decided they wanted to do something concrete to raise awareness of the plight of millions of children worldwide lacking the basic necessities of life. Out of that desire was born the first **Barefoot Walk** in May 2008: **"They say to understand someone you have to walk a mile in their shoes. But what if they don't have any?"** This is the motto that has inspired every walk since that first one.

Starting from that one small, single school event, the walk has grown incredibly. This year over 2000 students from 28 area elementary and secondary schools participated in the event on May 9<sup>th</sup> in Victoria Park. To date, over \$135,000 in donations has been raised to support local and global initiatives, in particular **Free the Children**, an international charity that focuses on education and community development in impoverished countries.

In addition to walking barefoot walk around the park, participating students learned more about social justice through educational booths, inspirational speakers and interactive games. For the first time this year, Free the Children brought their **We Create Change Tour** which added a wonderful new element to the event.

*"One moment can change a day, one day can change a life, one life can change the world!"*

## Directory of Entrepreneurial Alumni

Promote your business and support those owned by fellow South alumni listed in our **free directory** (<http://www.southalumni.ca/sites/southalumni.ca/files/scaa-dir-entre.pdf>). As a contact, you may email **directory manager** ([scaa-dir@sandyross.ca](mailto:scaa-dir@sandyross.ca)) **Sandy Ross ('79)**, or call her at **519.871.word (9673)**.

## Support the Alumni Association!

If you enjoy this newsletter and enjoy logging on to the alumni website, help us defray some of the costs.

**Become a sponsor for just \$20 a year.**

**LIONS' PRIDE** is published twice annually by the South Collegiate Alumni Association. Content copyright @ 2014.

**SCAA PRESIDENT:** Knute Dohnberg

**EDITOR & GRAPHIC DESIGNER:** Connie Weir

### SCAA

c/o South Collegiate Institute  
371 Tecumseh Avenue East  
London, Ontario  
N6C 1T4

Tel. (519) 452-2860

Fax (519) 452-2879

**E-mail:** [contact@southalumni.ca](mailto:contact@southalumni.ca)

**Website:** [www.southalumni.ca](http://www.southalumni.ca)

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Name and Number \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Province/State \_\_\_\_\_

Postal/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Graduating year \_\_\_\_\_

**Send cheques, payable to the South Collegiate Alumni Association, to the mailing address in the box on the lower left side of this page. THANK YOU!**