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of the School that Did

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*From the College's Hymns of Praise:*

Voices of the Past,  
Links of a Broken Chain,  
Wings that bear us back to Times  
That cannot come again.  
Yet God forbid that we should lose  
The Echoes that remain.

*St. Mary's Church,  
Shrewton, Wilts.  
at Stonehenge.*

# Echoes that Remain

A book like this is never the product of one person. In this case, a host of people has been active for several years bringing it to publication and has been most gracious with its help, advice and information. The walking encyclopedia is certainly Fred Martin '29, but many others including Ross Dixon's '30 mother, have participated. Mrs. Dixon kept all of the newspaper clippings of Ross' prodigious accomplishments, and much of the history of Hillcrest comes from that source.

We have been very ambitious in our format. The goal was to have the picture of every graduate. This means that some students who were here a very long time, but did not finish the last year, may not be included. The good news is that they will see all their friends. We regret any errors or omissions. All are entirely unintentional.

The production team has been outstanding. Tosha Lord has had the lion's share of the work in formatting each page, and Elaine Jenkins has done excellent work as our chief researcher. Fiorella Hoogerdyk has been a great help with our images, and our summer students, Sarah Cairns and Diana Hammond, have made significant contributions. We are also very grateful for the assistance of the archivists at Upper Canada College, Marion Spence, and Trinity College School, Cathy McCart, for important information about the Collinsons.

Editing, of course is the sine qua non of publishing, and we were very fortunate to have Karen Ford, co-author with me in Great Canadian Lives, to do this. We also appreciate Bryan Wylie's help. If there are errors you find, our archives will be here for at least another century, so please let us know. We have done our best. We do hope that when you have comments or corrections, you will let us know at [archives@hillstrath.on.ca](mailto:archives@hillstrath.on.ca). We can make the corrections and, with permission, post the corrections on our Web site. We are aware that the quality of some of the pictures is less than any of us would wish. We have worked very hard in making them as clear as possible, and have decided that a faded picture is better than none.



The intent of ***Echoes*** is to have a comprehensive, good-news survey of our College's history, and to include as many of our community in an informative, pictorial account as possible. The focus is on the senior years and their graduates. This means that the earlier schools have less coverage. There is no slight here, just a lack of time and space!

We are proud of this book, and we hope you will find many hours of enjoyment in it.

We would also like to thank the following for their gracious permission to use their materials: ***The Hamilton Spectator***, Rosemary Doyle-Morier at The Government of Canada - Rideau Hall, and Stewart B. Duern for use of his painting, *'Reflections'*, on the cover. We have been unable to contact, but have applied for permission from N.S.L. Natural Science of Canada Limited (for photos page 5) and The Head-of-the-lake Historical Society (for photos pages 21 and 50).

***Barry Wansbrough***

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# Introduction

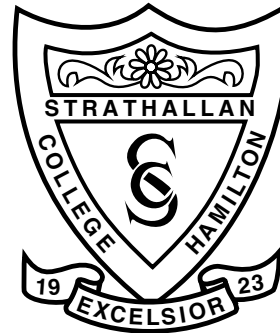


A fascinating book, *What Is History Today?*, was published in 1986. In it, eminent historians from many fields explore what they consider to be the essence of 'history'. For centuries, historians had been off in their various fragmented disciplines trying to uncover all of the pieces, so that someday they could reconvene and put together the big, complete picture.

This was the homework set to historians by the 18th Century Philosophes, and it was as hopeless a task as giving a 5000 word essay to the grade nines, or the writing of the complete school history to the Headmaster Emeritus!

The book's editor, Juliet Gardiner, sums up contemporary thought on the writing of a complete history of civilization, or anything else, by quoting Theodore K. Rab, 'there can no longer be a plausible expectation that an omniscient polymath or paradigm setter will unite us all'. Does that mean our school history should not be recorded? Certainly not. We have ample and rich resources on which to draw, and in unlikely areas.

One might think our history is not in the back rooms and halls of power, but it is; nor on the major seas and battlegrounds or in the air, though we are there in huge numbers. Our history is in our studies, our offices and dens, at our kitchen tables. It is on our porches, fields, rinks, links, courts and stages, and in the classrooms, studios and locker rooms. Above all it is in our memories and stories.



So our amazing story resides in the people and their ups and downs in their hundred years of doing. We cannot touch or record all of it directly. No, it takes the efforts of those like Mary Ker Earnshaw '41, and Gordon Collinson '18, who put their remembrances on paper, and on the host of others who helped illuminate our history.

We will try to make us all visible, but we shall give the last word in this introduction, again with the

help of Ms. Gardiner, to the famous metaphysicist, John Donne, who believed that history 'makes a little room an everywhere'. Let's start to explore our 'everywhere', the amazing school that did.



## Hillfield Strathallan



## From our Patrons...

### *Michael G. DeGroote*

It gives me great joy to witness the first Centennial Anniversary of Hillfield-Strathallan College. For most of my adult life, Hillfield-Strathallan has been a focal point of my family, having your great College available to myself and my next two generations of DeGroote's for over thirty years.

I have always believed very strongly in the value of a good education, which is why I am a proud Patron of such a worthy institution of learning.

Congratulations on reaching 100 years and may the next century live up to the prestigious tradition that makes Hillfield-Strathallan what it has been, and what it is today.



### *Sir Edwin Leather '33*

Greetings? After nearly 80 years you want greetings? Two words: glorious memories. There must have been some bad ones, but I don't remember them.

September 1923. Thanks to some wonderful Hamilton ladies, Strathallan opened its doors. 4 or was it 5, four-year-olds on parade. Miss Virtue, Miss Fitzgerald, Miss Grinstead.

Then Hillcrest. Mr Heaven and the unforgettable Alice Burton.

Then Hillfield: Arthur Killip, Don Huxley, Freddie Butler and music.

How lucky could we be?



### *The Honourable Colin S. Lazier '35*

The Lazier family connection with Hillfield-Strathallan College extends from Highfield in 1915 to this day, and continues to the future through my grandchildren.

Miss Janet Virtue, the Reverend Cecil A. Heaven and Arthur F. Killip presided with distinction during my days as a student from 1925 to 1935.

I believe the same high standards of teaching and moral upbringing prevail under the present regime.

I extend every good wish for the continued success of the College.



## From our Headmaster and Chair...

### *Head's Message*

*William S. Boyer, BA, BEd*

As the thirteenth Head of this great school, I feel very fortunate to lead HSC into its second century. To be in the company of John Collinson, Miss Virtue, Miss Fitzgerald and Arthur Killip and all of the other very fine heads is something of which I am really proud.

But my actual connection is with the recent HSC community with whom I have worked: the students, the staff, the Boards, the parents and alumni. This is how I can fully understand why the school is celebrating its centennial as a leader in the education of the generations, some of whom might even see the arrival of the next such celebrations. It won't be uncommon to live to well over 100 years.

The past is history, compiled very interestingly in this book - not a usual school history, but far from a usual school. Secure in the knowledge of that history, it is the future to which we must look with a vision that leaves HSC in an even better position than we are in today.

The formula is as simple as it is universal: keep enabling our students to think and to act both for themselves and for the betterment of others. Velle Est Posse: Excelsior!



### *Chair's Message*

*Christopher B. Sherk, BSc, MBA, LLB*

It is my great pleasure to salute HSC's first hundred years and welcome the second. The Board of Governors is the custodian of the school as a school. We should be grateful to the past boards, which through thick and thin, through two wars, a depression and several fires, through all this, have seen the school stand and grow - strong and lively. Indeed, it is the envy of the educational community.

I think back to our first Chair, Sir John Hendrie, and I look forward to future chairs, cut from that public-spirited mould, serving both the community and school with the single focus of the betterment of all. It is recorded herein.

As boards, we have worked hard with the heads, parents, alumni and staff to carve an educational niche that has stood the test of time. The key has been to model the school for the times it serves. Only when that vision faded or was temporarily lost, did we run into trouble, and then only for very short and difficult times.

Today we emerge stronger than ever, and to those who will come we say: Keep HSC growing and thinking, and it will live a very long time.



# News of the World...

*1901 - Turn of the Century*

As John and Helen Collinson brought their one-year-old son, Gordon, to Hamilton to establish the new Ontario School at 'Highfield', 362 Bay Street South, there was a sense that the Concert of Europe and the Pax Britannica of the past century were ebbing away.

A new era was ushered in by the death in 1901 of Queen Victoria and the succession of the untested King Edward VII. He was known as 'Uncle Europe' because his brothers and sisters occupied the royal houses of Russia, Germany, Denmark, and Romania, along with various other German states.

It was a time of great patriotism, discovery and invention. Rudyard Kipling fired the British spirits, and H.G. Wells their imaginations. A new species of animal, the

okapi, was discovered in Africa. It has apparently changed very little over the past million years, and looks like a cross between a giraffe and a zebra. There were only a few when they were discovered. In St. John's, Newfoundland, Guglielmo Marconi received the first trans-Atlantic signals from Poldhu, Cornwall, England. All of this, and more, was very exciting, but there were always clouds lurking close by.

Britain was at war with the Boers of South Africa. The Germans, under Edward VII's cousin, Kaiser Wilhelm II, while not at war with Britain, sold excellent guns to the Boers, and Wilhelm made strong public declarations of his support for them. Having taken over personal leadership of his government from the powerful Count Otto von Bismarck, he expanded the

German navy to challenge the Royal Navy at sea.

So the Concert of Europe which re-established the ancient regimes and a balance of peace among the continental powers, and left Britain to rule the seas, was under serious review. The old order, so long in its falling, was mortally threatened by the twin progenitors of anarchy, socialism and nationalism, or expressed more directly, poverty and tribalism.

France had already born a social revolution which in turn, through Napoleon's troops, spread nationalism among the peoples of the great empires, especially those of Austria and Russia. Germany and Italy were created from this movement. The Kaiser and his cousin, the Czar of Russia, were constantly under threat of assassination, and the one lost his

throne and the other both his throne and head. Just down the road from Highfield, in Buffalo, President McKinley was assassinated just days before the school opened. The threat of anarchy was real.

To be safe was to be on guard. The greatest empire since that of Rome circled the globe, and it was threatened. British subjects were its defence. John Collinson and his supporters saw the need for preparing able and privileged young men of His Majesty's Dominion for heroism, and what an amazing job they did.



*King Edward VII*

## ...and News of Hamilton

*1901 - Turn of the Century*



Canada had gained virtual independence from Britain in 1867, but in 1901, Canadians were still British subjects, and those in Hamilton were fierce defenders of their British crown, customs, military forces and Empire. Mirroring that loyalty were the Hamiltonian founders of The

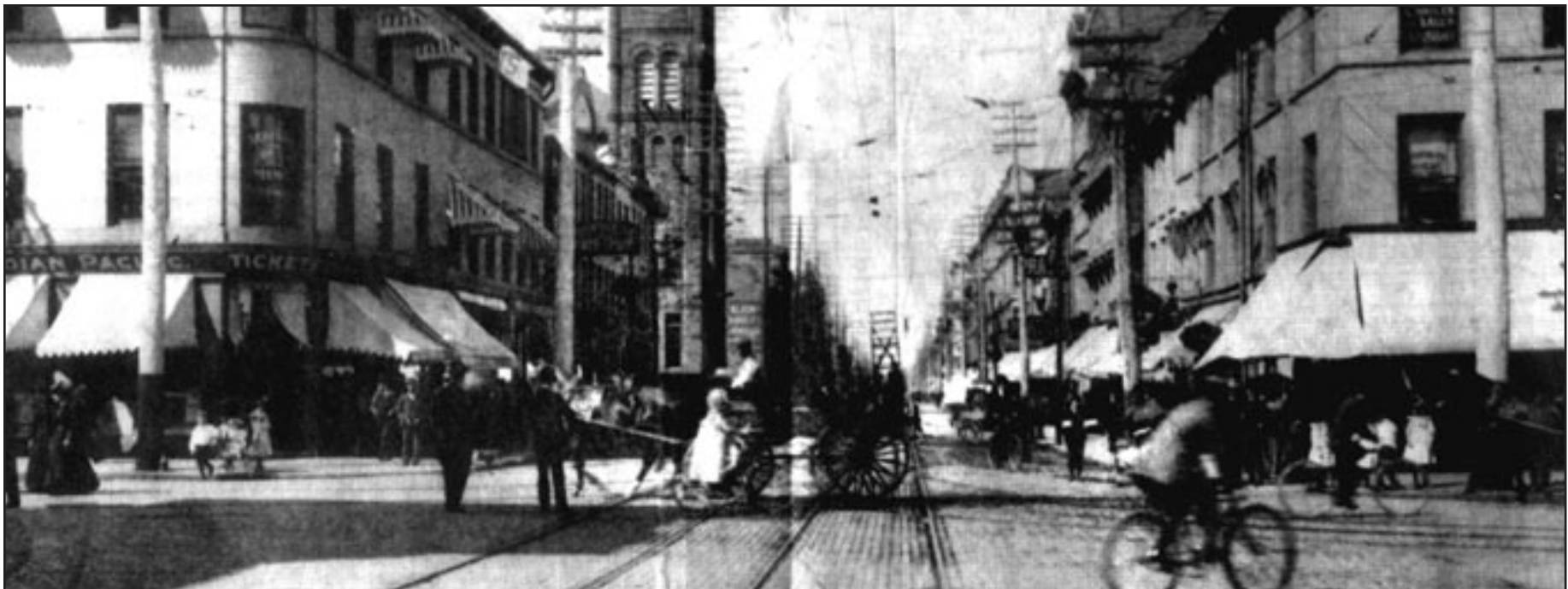
Ontario School, 'Highfield', who included among their numbers the former Governor-General of Canada and his wife, Lord and Lady Aberdeen, two soon-to-be Lieutenant-Governors, Gibson and Hendrie, and three families with future field ranking officers, Mewburn, Crerar and

Carscallen.

Hamilton was ready for this ambitious enterprise, and into that society, John and Helen Collinson, with their young family, started the adventure of our HSC.

But, we must start at the beginning.

*Below, Hamilton in the early 1900s*



# Preparing for Heroism 1901 - 1910

## *The Hamilton Connection*

The confidence and optimism that characterized the British Empire at the turn of the century were manifest in the community leaders of Hamilton. They were determined to pass this legacy on to their sons, grandsons and beyond, and they did.

Led by Major John S. Hendrie, MPP, and strongly encouraged by Lord and Lady Aberdeen and the Bishop of Niagara, the leading families of the area joined together to found The Ontario School.

Mr. Hendrie was an Old Boy of Upper Canada College, though he would have graduated well before the arrival of John Collinson. None the less, there was a strong connection there, and the two would certainly have known of each other.



*J.S. Hendrie*



*J.H. Collinson*

*Below, Highfield photo, 1901 - Opening Term*



### **HIGHFIELD SCHOOL ROLL, 1901**

Baldwin, D.K.	Gwyn, C.C.	Scott, J.D.
Balfour, G.S.	Hendrie, I.S.	Shannon, E.S.
Beasley, J.D.	Hendrie, H.S.	Stansbury, F.W.
Brent, G.H.	Howell, R.R.	Steven, H.M.
Bristol, E.	Kemp, G.B.	Steven, R.A.
Carscallen, W.H.	Lancefield, P.C.	Stuart, D.A.
Cockburn, C.B.	Macdonald, R.R.	Tobias, E.A.
Colquhoun, E.R.	Macklem, O.T.	Tobias, L.C.
Colquhoun, W.G.	Malloch, E.S.	Travers, E.W.
Daw, F.P.	Malloch, T.A.	Turnbull, R.H.
Daw, C.E.	Marshall, W.S.	Turnbull, A.
Farmer, H.N.	Metcalfe, R.	Washington, H.H.
Ferrie, G.C.	Mewburn, C.L.	Watson, C.H.
Fisher, P.B.	Mills, S.S.	Watson, G.V.
Gartshore, W.M.	Moody, J.	Wood, A.T.
Gates, F.A.	Newman, W.A.	Wood, B.R.
Glassco, L.H.	Nordheimer, R.B.	
Glassco, G.F.	Scott, S.W.C.	

### **EXECUTIVE OF HIGHFIELD**

<b>President</b>	T. Hilhouse Brown	W. Marshall
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Mrs. Bankier	Col. H. MacLaren	J.W. Sutherland
G.E. Bristol	Mrs. F.S. Malloch	W.A. Wood

## The Collinson Connection



*John Collinson*



*Collinson, with Robert Holmes and Stephen B. Leacock at UCC in 1894*



*Mrs. Collinson*

John Collinson was a Yorkshireman. As a boy, he attended the The Royal School of St. Peter's, York, England, was a fine student, twice winning top honours, and a keen athlete. From there he went on scholarship as an Exhibitor of the Clothworkers' Company to Queen's College, Cambridge where he excelled in both classics and mathematics,

graduating with honours as Senior Optime in 1884.

On graduation, he joined the Stamford School in England as a junior mathematics assistant, rising quickly to the post of Assistant Master, or vice-principal, in our terms.

In 1892 he came to Canada to teach at Upper Canada College in Toronto where he formed a life-long friendship with humorist

Stephen Leacock, and started his independent practice of preparing young men for entry into the Royal Military College in Kingston.

His success in all of this led to Sir Edmund Osler's invitation to join Trinity College School in order to prepare Sir Edmund's sons for RMC. During his stay at TCS, he vacationed in England and returned with

his bride, Helen MacDougall, niece of the Head of Clan MacDougall, Donnolly Castle, near Oban, Scotland.

By 1900, the Collinsons were looking to start a school (they had 'The York School' in mind) and John Hendrie was looking for a headmaster for his 'Ontario School'. For the families of Hamilton, this was a felicitous search.

# The Buildings



1861 - Built by John Brown



1874 - Sold to Senator James Turner



1890-93 - Lord Aberdeen



1890-93 - Lady Aberdeen



1901 - The Ontario School

The property known as Highfield is more recently known as the homes of the Merricks, Niblets, Ryans and Allans. It included a substantial parcel of land at the foot of the Mountain, between Bay St. South and Ravenscliffe Avenue.

Built for over one hundred thousand dollars in 1861 by John Brown, the brother of Adam, a popular Postmaster of Hamilton, it was purchased by the Turner family in 1874. Senator James Turner and his family lived there until his death in 1889, after which Lord and Lady Aberdeen took up residence prior to Lord

Aberdeen's appointment as Governor-General.

At the turn of the century, John Hendrie was mayor of Hamilton, a prominent industrialist and leader of the group that wanted to establish a new, private school for boys in the city. The Highfield property was for sale, and it was ideal for a local private school: big and handsome as a building, with large, well-kept lawns. They bought it.

Errol Boyd '10, brother of the fallen war hero Mac Boyd, described Highfield in an article in *The Hamilton Spectator* in 1962. He remembers from his home in England *'the famil-*

*iar pines, elms and basswood that forested the mountainside property... (Highfield) stands back in the grounds, close to the mountain... A carriageway circles by the mountain slope, from Bay Street to the front door... On the north side, close to the centre window stands a fountain of typical Victorian design, which is surmounted by the figure of a boy grappling with a carp...*

*Behind the school, nestling under the mountain is the gardener's cottage; close by are the stable yard and the stables, which later became the gym...*' Add all that to beautiful lawns in a park-like setting, and we can imagine its magnificence.

Gordon Collinson '18 describes the interior. *'Even for those days, the building was most extensive. The lofty halls had ornate painted ceilings, plate glass windows, magnificent oak staircase, conservatory, butler and serving pantries, servants wing and hot air central heating. There was even an intercom magneto telephone system.'*

With eight principal bedrooms on the second floor, and a full third floor for the older boarders, Highfield was, indeed, a very substantial facility. Quite suitable for Lords of the Realm and the boys of Hamilton.



Sir John Hendrie (left) with Lt.-Governor, Sir John Gibson

In the late 1890s, John Hendrie was Mayor and leader of the group to found the new school. The Highfield property was for sale, and it was ideal for a local private school: big and handsome as a building, with large, well-kept lawns. They bought it.



F.W. Stansbury



Campbell C. Gwyn



Football Captain:  
Ross Macdonald

# Highfield School

1901 - 1902

Not surprisingly, the Hendrie's name 'The Ontario School' prevailed from the start, and the school opened its doors in September, 1901. Everyone knew the property as 'Highfield', and that is where all the boys said they were going, so, Highfield it officially became!

The project was a natural. The Collinsons were a team, Mr. running the school pro-

gram with Mrs. running the establishment, the boarding and teaching French and drama.

The school opened with 52 boys, and 11 joined them after Christmas. In addition, Mr. Collinson had some evening students who were preparing for entry into RMC.

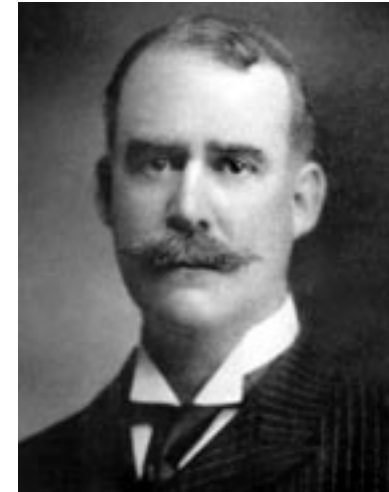
There was a full program from the start, with football, hockey and cricket, and Enoch Taylor instructing the boys in

'the noble art of self-defence', or boxing. Mrs. Collinson's production of *A Chapter of Accidents* was a great hit, George Balfour as a 'pest kitchen maid' perhaps being the favourite!

The school motto, which has remained, was *Vouloir est Pouvoir*, which translated onto the crest as *Velle Est Posse*, or *to will is to be able*.

By all reports, it was an idyllic start.

Colonel The Honourable Sir John Hendrie



Highfield Hall



Highfield Football, 1902



# Highfield School

1902 - 1903

The Collinsons seem to have been an ideal team. Everything points to Highfield being an environment of both solid character and good cheer. There is little talk of punishment, and lots of report on activities, and outstanding academic achievement. The marks were published in *The Highfield Review*.

4th Form Latin:

(Cheever) Scott 90, Malloch 90, Stansbury 82.

French: Stansbury 95, Scott 90.

Physics and Chemistry went to Gwyn;

Trig, Math and Classics to John Stuart.

Scott would later be Chair of Hillfield College.

It was also a family atmosphere at Highfield.

Mrs. Collinson looked after the boarders who lived on the third floor with a junior master, and the two Collinson boys, Gordon and Hugh, who lived with their parents in a second floor apartment.

The big event of the year was Games Day, or as they called it, *'Athletics'*. Mr. George Bristol gave the Bristol Cup for the champion, first won by Geddes Zimmerman. The Cup is still awarded annually.

This year, the meet was held at Valley Farm, the home of the William Hendries, His Worship's parents. His sons, William and Hugh, made it a three generation meet.

*A postcard depicting the Highfield Hockey team, and the rink, 1907*



H.G. Zimmerman



S.W.C. Scott



A.J. Taylor  
Physical Director



Mr. H.G. Rhoades  
Master

# Highfield School

1903 - 1904

From *The Highfield Review*:

*Twenty or thirty years hence, when many of those whose names are found on these pages are doing something in the world worthy of their early training, with what added interest will one scan the contents of these pages to learn what manner of boys they were.*

Indeed!

This year marked the founding of the Parents' Association, or as they called it, The Ladies' Tea Club. Mrs. R. A. Lucas presided as first President, with Miss Leggatt as Vice-President and Miss Leather as Honourary Secretary. It's a tradition which has grown mightily over the years.

This was the year of the first Speech Day, a common tradition for private schools. These

events featured visits and speeches from prominent citizens, and an annual address from the Headmaster. Mrs. Collinson prepared the boys to present two or three scenes from a Shakespeare play, *Julius Caesar* this year, and then the prizes were distributed.

And the library made its

start this year, funded by two of Mr. Collinson's former students from Chicago, Gord and Ken Ramsey, who gave over 100 books. Not to be outdone, their grandfather chipped in several more, along with present parents, Caudwells, Nordheimers and Wellands.

## Obituary.

Just as we go to press we hear the sad news of the death of Mr. Alexander Gartshore. He was a sincere and steady friend to the School from its foundation, and was the Vice-President of the Highfield School Company.

Every reader will join with us in deep sympathy with his family, and especially with our comrade, W. M. Gartshore, who has lost a devoted father.



C. H. Watson



D. J. Fitzgerald



F. W. Stansbury



G. P. Awrey

### Highfield School First Cricket Team, 1903

Included in the photo are Mr. J. H. Collinson (Headmaster), C. H. Watson (Capt.), F. W. Stansbury, W. S. Marshall, A. H. Gibson, C. C. Gwyn, S. S. Mills, H. G. Zimmerman, E. W. Travers, E. Bristol, G. C. Ferrie, N. S. Caudwell, G. S. Balfour, S. W. C. Scott



# Highfield School

1904 - 1905

While in later years the issue from time to time was survival of our various schools' births and rebirths, no such worries clouded Highfield. John and Helen Collinson were an extraordinary team, and they were supported by a small, dedicated staff, and by a committed and generous community.

By the beginning of the fourth year, Highfield was an established school, not just in Hamilton, but among its peers in the province. Enrolment had grown to the 100 mark, the library had 400 books, and football set the pace with a 7-1-1 season against its rivals, Upper Canada College II's, Ridley II's, HCI, and St. Andrew's II's.

Indeed, it appears that a dynasty was established, and this was its golden year. Led

by students George Awrey, Cheever Scott, Hope Gibson, Moir Gartshore and George Watson, the year and its achievements signalled even greater things to come.

Yet there was an ominous tone set by Mayor Adam Brown in his Empire Day

speech to the boys. Quoting the former Governor-General, Lord Dufferin:

*'You are the owners of half a continent; of a land of unbounded promise and unprecedented greatness. Love it, honour it; work for it; fight for it; die for it.'*

In the end, nearly 250 of

the boys signed up for the challenge, and 37 fulfilled Lord Dufferin's complete list, and paid the final price.

With the first wave of graduates through, another wave was forming just behind them, led by Colin Gibson, Gordon Ferrie, and Stanley Mills.



*Cricket Team, 1905*

Back row: E. Bristol, G.P. Awrey, S.S. Mills, A.R. Dunham, A.F. Daw, A.T. Hemmick  
Front row: K.M. Holcroft, W.M. Gartshore, S.W.C. Scott (Sec.), A.H. Gibson (Capt.), R.B. Nordheimer, G.F. Glassco



*S.S. Mills*



*Colin Gibson*



*Gordon Ferrie*



*A. Hope Gibson*

# Highfield School

1905 - 1906



R.B. Nordheimer



W. M. Gartshore



S.S. Mills



H.H. Washington



N.S. Caudwell

The school was in full stride. The leadership in sports had passed to Roy Nordheimer, a boarder from Toronto, and Bill Gartshore. Nordheimer captained both football and hockey, and won the boxing belt. Gartshore captained the Cricket Eleven, had colours from football and hock-

ey, and won the Bristol Cup.

The football season was another triumph, even at the junior level. *'The Ridley boys were the lightest that had ever played against us, while our team included two or three of abnormal bulk.'*

In the winter, the boys, now some 107 in number, started fund raising for a hockey cush-

ion, expected to cost several hundred dollars.

In the spring, Stanley Mills emerged as the best bowler the Cricket Eleven had produced with a bowling average of 2.5 for 43 wickets, including a hat trick where he clean bowled the first three bats of Aura Lee! Young Hubert Washington was close

behind with 22 wickets for 40 runs. Well done, boys!

A new challenge cup, the Whitney Cup was put up for cross-country, and won by Arthur Le Penotiere, while George Forneret set a record high jump of 5' 3".

At the same time, the boys produced excellent academic results, led by Henry Wilson, the Wood twins, Harold Farmer and Norm Caudwell. The academic standard was confirmed by the strong showing of old boys at the universities of Toronto, Queen's and McGill, and RMC, of course. Harry Crerar was off to RMC that year on the way to commanding the Canadian troops in Europe during World War II. Hope Gibson, already at RMC, played football and cricket, and was boxing champ there.

And to top it off, this was the year of the first school dance, held in Highfield Hall, and it was a great hit. Can things go from better to better?



Highfield Football Team, 1906

Back row: R.A. Higgins, J. Ralston, J.R. Ferguson, W.A. Newman, F.A. Gates, J.C. Sutherland, C.W. Gibson  
Middle row: N.S. Caudwell, J.R. Leslie, T. McMannus (Capt.), Mr. Collinson, G.C. Matheson (Sec.), K.W. MacDougall, G.C. Ferrie  
Front row: A.A. Young, J.C. Kennedy, K.A. Murray, G.K. Fraser

# Highfield School

1906 - 1907

Well, yes they can. The big news of the year was the opening of the new outdoor rink. Spearheaded by Mrs. Collinson and the boys, and backed by Mr. W. A. Wood, the twins father, \$361.85 was raised, \$90 of which came from the proceeds of Mrs. Collinson's theatre troop. Mr. Collinson supported the cause by presenting illustrated lectures as part of the drama presentations.

Along with the regular sports activities, by now well-established, other activities emerged. Debating started with John Sunderland vs. Major Walker, resolved that *'The Canadian winter is preferable to the summer'*. The nays won by 27-7.

A new prize was offered for rifle shooting by the Alexandra Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire (Toronto), and Sergeant-Major Huggins supervised the first rounds on the school range. Bill Newman won

the first prize, and the activity was so popular that an additional Ross rifle was presented in the spring.

Norm Bartlett and Major Walker led a keen camera club with exhibitions in four categories.

It was also the year of organizing the Old Boys. Robert Macdonald, a star in the first year of the school, was elected first president of the Club. An Old Boys cricket team was formed, and members received a copy of the *Review* with their membership.

Old Boys continued to shine at university. Everett Bristol, Francis Malloch and Hope Gibson all held rank at RMC, and Herb Zimmerman was president of the McGill Football Club, playing half-back on the Senior inter-collegiate championship team. Hope Gibson was centre-half on the RMC Intermediate inter-collegiate championship team.



Hockey Team, 1907

Back row: H.R. Thomson, C.L. Mewburn, R.R. McKay, F.I. Lewis  
Front row: W.F. Clarke, Mr. J.H. Collinson, J.B. Waterous (captain), H.H. Washington

## An Old-Boys' Club.

A meeting will be held at the School on Sept. 10th, at 8 p. m., to organize an Old-Boys' Club. In the meanwhile the Head Master would be glad to receive applications for membership. It has been suggested that the subscription be a dollar a year; that members receive the *Review*; that an annual List of Members, with their addresses, be prepared; that an Athletic Committee be appointed to arrange matches or tours from time to time; that re-unions in some form or other be held at suitable times, etc.



Everett Bristol



J.C. Sutherland



W.A. Newman



T. MacMannus



C.A. Powis, Boxing Instructor

# Highfield School

1907 - 1908



Governor-General Earl Grey



A. Hope Gibson



J.D. Scott



John Sutherland



J.C. Kennedy

Each school year has a personality of its own, largely governed by successes in sports, important visitors, and sometimes by timely or untimely human events. This year was one of both.

The year opened with the very sad news of two untimely deaths. Hugh Hendrie died in May, 1907 at the age of 14, and the sadness was aptly conveyed in the *Review*.

*'Comrades carried him lovingly to his earthly resting place, where his sorrowing school-fellows bade him a silent and affectionate adieu.'*

The school was further saddened by the news in the summer of the drowning of the popular young gym instructor, Montagu Chapman.

On the timely side, the boys showed great athletic spark under the enthusiastic leadership of Colin Gibson, Walter Vallance, John Kennedy and

Gordon Ferrie, the latter of whom set another first as captain of football, hockey and cricket.

The highlight of the year was surely the visit of the Governor-General and Lady Grey to the Sports Day, who, as put by the *Review*, *'lent additional eclat to the occasion.'*

## The Old-Boys' Club.

On Sept. 10th, the first steps were taken to organize an Old-Boys' Club. Nearly all the Old-Boys in the city at the time were present at the meeting held at the School. A Constitution was discussed in detail, but it was thought wise to bring it before the annual meeting to be held in the last week of the year before finally adopting it. The chief objects of the Club are:—to further the interests of the School; to issue lists of members with their addresses; to organize games or tours for Old-Boys; and to arrange re-unions of various kinds.

The Officers elected were:

*Hon. President, The Head Master; President, R. R. Macdonald, B.Sc., McGill; Vice-Pres., E. S. Malloch, Queen's; Secretary, S. W. C. Scott, Toronto University; Treasurer, N. B. Mills; Committee, F. G. Malloch, Cornell University; A. H. Gibson, R. M. C.; W. S. Marshall; R. R. Northcote, R. M. C.; H. D. Storms, Trinity.*

And the debaters were at it again, this time John Sutherland moving that *'Canadian women ought to have more con-*

*trol over public affairs.'* John Scott led the opposition which prevailed 37-6. Some things seem fixed in time!

## Obituary.

On May 7th, 1907,

**Hugh Stratbearn Hendrie,**

AGED  
14 YEARS.

At School from 1901 to 1906.



Highfield Boxing Class, 1907

Back row: B. Wood, D. Scott, C.W.G. Gibson, J.C. Sutherland, K.A. Murray (Senior Champion), A. Wood, J.C. Kennedy  
Middle row: A. Turner, D.S. Bankier, Mr. M. Chapman, Mr. C.A. Powis, G. Holland (Intermediate Champion), C. Evans  
Front row: H. Thompson, M. Crerar, L. Merrick, C. Martin (Junior Champion), J. Merrick, A. Crerar, G. Staunton

# Highfield School

1908 - 1909

There was clearly a great source of energy flowing through the community. Leading the boys this year were Gordon Ferrie, again, and Norm Bartlett, John Scott and the brilliant James Turner. Gordon Ferrie was also the leader of a veritable tribe of six Ferries, all at the school at once. Oh, to be Ferrie sextus!

Of special interest in this year was the enrolment for the year of one Edwin Leather, the namesake of our present Patron, Sir Edwin, who later attended both Strathallan and Hillfield.

This year saw the launch of important new activities. John Sutherland presided over the Literary Society, and the school launched its first basketball season of two games vs. the Collegiate. League standings indicated a tie at the top, with scores of 31-19 and 15-17. Boddy Dixon, Doug Storms, Gordon Matheson, Robert Higgins and Al Carpenter were the first five.

On the Old Boy front, Cheever Scott assumed the presidency of the Old Boys' Club, Roy Nordheimer won the Canadian Junior Tennis Championship, and Hope

Gibson and Walde Marshall continued to play top level national and inter-provincial cricket.

The hardest news of the year was the drowning of John Kennedy in a sailing accident.

What a sorry loss for all.

The only 'originals' left in the school were now, Gordon Ferrie, John Scott and Hubert Washington, each of whom excelled on all fronts.

**Excerpt from the Oracle:**

**"When Shall We Laugh, Say When"**

*What Each Wants Most.*

**Tweed:** A bath and a fine comb  
**Bartlett:** A smile  
**Hope:** A few more school pins  
**Scott:** More work to do  
**Sutherland:** A matric (No hurry)  
**Storms:** Isaac's 10¢ joke book  
**Mr. Rhoades:** A new century for detention purposes  
**Dixon:** A new French Master  
**Turner:** A pill box and tin musket  
**Leather:** Some energy  
**Fraser:** A mellifluous voice  
**Carpenter:** More violet-scented letters  
**Higgins:** A keeper  
**Tinling:** A little modesty  
**Holland:** 15 seconds with Jeffries  
**Walker:** A razor  
**Ferrie:** A cure for a black eye



*Highfield Cricket Team, 1908*

Back row: J.D. Scott, D.S. Bankier, D.H. Storms, R.A. Higgins, J.C. Sutherland, A.L. Carpenter, J.A. Turner  
 Middle row: C.W.G. Gibson, C.G. Ferrie (Capt.), Mr. Collinson, Mr. S.F. Washington, L.S. Hope, Mr. M. Townsend  
 Front row: J.C. Kennedy, G.E. Tinling, H.H. Washington, K.A. Murray

# Highfield School

1909 - 1910

## SCHOOL SONG

(To the tune of the British Grenadiers)

We do not boast  
that Highfield school  
is better than the rest;  
But we must surely claim that  
she is equal to the best;  
For we are proud of her great fame  
Throughout this wide Dominion,  
Great things she's done,  
and honours won  
To earn men's high opinion.

### CHORUS

So sing of your old school, my boys  
And loud her praises swell,  
Where'er the green and white is seen  
Hurrah! Hurrah! We'll yell.

The great white mansion  
where we pass  
Our boyhood's happiest hours,  
Is alma mater to us all,  
And strews, our path with flowers;  
Her spreading lawns  
and shady groves,  
Her mountain's wondrous treasures,  
In future time, no wealth or clime  
Will bring us half such pleasures.

### Chorus

We're keen at sport, and win or lose,  
we try to play the game;  
But honours more than  
sport can bring  
Are here our constant aim,  
For we all strive with hearts aglow  
To win with brawn and brain, O!  
This maxim old, we all uphold,  
Mens sana in corpore sano

### Chorus

Come, let us wave the  
green and white,  
All honour to our dear old school,  
Of which we are so proud.  
May years to come fresh lustre add,  
Till all the world acclaim us  
From east to west,  
of schools the best  
The foremost and most famous.

### Chorus

Success came quickly in the life of the school in 1909. Led by Robert Higgins, Doug Storms, Ted Reynolds, Gordon Matheson and Murray Vallance, the football team completed its second successive undefeated season. They won all seven games with a 140 - 20 points for and against. James Turner excelled as Athletic Champion, and won the Tinling Trophy. At the same time, the boys were enjoying a second season of Association Football, or soccer as we know it.

Added to that, the boys now played in the new gym, created by renovating the existing coach house and stables. Typically, Mrs. Collinson led the boys in raising funds for the project through her theatrical productions. Of the \$460 total cost, the boys raised \$256. George Hay, later the decorated war hero,

was a big hit as Susan Tuckett in the farce, *Doing My Uncle*.

Article from *The Oracle* regarding the Scouts:

*Later in the year, the school was honoured by a final visit of*

*Her Excellency, the Countess of Aberdeen, Vice-reine of Ireland, to the school and her former home. In the visitors' book she wrote:*

*Ishbel Aberdeen*

*Delighted to re-visit the old*

*home of sunshine and butterflies, and to find it doing such a good work in training the future citizens of Canada.*

*Fortuna Sequatur.'*

And in that bumper year, the Highfield Boy Scout troop had the signal honour of an inspection by the Imperial military commander, General Sir John French, who commented favourably on its deportment.



Football Team, 1908

Back row: M.A. Vallance, A.A. Young, S.F. Grasset, H.A. Colquhoun, D.H. Storms, A.L. Carpenter, E.S. Reynolds, W.F. Hay  
Middle row: G.M. Matheson, C.B. Tinling, Mr. R.B. Ferrie, R.A. Higgins (Captain), Mr. J.H. Collinson, G.K. Fraser  
Front row: G.H. Hay, J.A. Grant, J.A. Turner



General Sir John French and the Highfield Boy Scouts

# News of the World

and News of Hamilton - ca. 1910

With the death of Edward VII and accession of his second son, George V, to the throne, the vestiges of the Victorian era were over, as was the Concert of Europe. Kaiser Wilhelm was determined to challenge the Royal Navy and war was inevitable no matter what the technical European causes. Britain had to defend the Empire. There was no option.

It was also a time of great adventure as American Robert Peary reached the North Pole, and the Norwegian, Roald Amundsen conquered the South Pole. It was also a time of preposterous scientific fraud, as pseudo-archeologists claimed to have discovered the 'missing link' between the modern human and Neolithic humans. The 'find' of Pilt-down Man created a huge stir and duped some major scientists. It was supposedly perpetrated by a miffed archeological worker who was denied a permanent job. It wouldn't be the last such fraud.

Across the Western World, the ravages of raw capitalism had caught up with the politicians' consciences. In England, America and Canada, progressive and labour parties emerged that brought limited relief to the workers.

In Canada, the hot political items concerned Laurier's platforms of reciprocity with the United States and the issue of our own navy separate from that of the British Royal Navy. The combination of these issues brought his government down. Reciprocity did not pass muster of the electorate, and there was significant support for giving funds to Britain for the Imperial Navy rather than building our own. Timing is everything. We have both now. With these issues and the recent perceived humiliation of the Alaska Boundary Dispute in which one British commission member sup-

ported the United States, a new Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs was created.

Unrest in Quebec continued despite the relative advantages of Confederation. In 1910, Henri Bourassa founded the newspaper, *Le Devoir*, to promote the French cause, one that in later years would become more defined, if never absolutely so. On the same theme, the Irish Volunteers formed the beginnings of the IRA, the militant arm of Sinn Féin, the Irish nationalist movement. Nationalism was alive and well in the world.

Canada was still a political infant, but growing into adolescence.

Highfield's thriving under the patronage of the province's Lieutenant-Governors and Vice-regalty reflected the enormous strength of the city of Hamilton. It was booming in all respects under the solid leadership of Mayor McLaren and Controller Allan. There was a major building boom both in residential and commercial properties.

The Acme Motor, Carriage and Machinery Company was investing the staggering sum of \$1,000,000 in its funeral hearse, taxicab and automobile production. It saw a major market in the United States, especially for the hearses. Other companies also invested significantly. Oliver Chilled Plow Works spent \$600,000, and Sawyer-Massey, A.F. Hatch, Westinghouse Canada, and the Steel Company of Canada all were expanding.

The city benefited from this with the building of the downtown Barton High School and city public libraries. The new Incline Railway linked the Mountain to the city, and the first electric street lamp was installed at Sanford and Delaware.

Things looked very good.



Hamilton's Incline Railway carries passengers up the Mountain, circa 1910  
Photo courtesy Special Collections, Hamilton Spectator

# The Heroes 1910 - 1919

## 1910 - 1911



Miss Burton



F.M. Gibson, in 1909



H.H. Washington



G.K. Fraser



D.H. Storms

Miss Alice Burton, the beloved Kindergarten teacher, arrives! The beginning of a long and extremely influential career and impact on the boys.

The second wave of leaders was firmly entrenched with Francis Gibson's all round academic and sports leadership, and the young Hubert Washington excelling on the fields. They were preparing for heroism, and they would give their all.

*The Oracle*, originally published to augment *The Highfield Review*, is filled with further information about life at the school. It also includes longer essays from the boys, the teachers and the graduates. There are several pieces by Mr. A.J. Taylor, who was the Athletic Instructor from the very beginning to the start of the

war.

In all aspects of life, the boys were taught how to think and act. An excerpt from Mr. Taylor will illustrate: *'It is very nice to have a well developed set of muscles,*

*good heart and lungs... It is a nicer accomplishment to have a well-developed mind; ... to have a general knowledge of literary and scientific subjects. But it is a greater and much nobler acquirement to have a*

*deep and broad moral nature...'*

That was the constant message.

And in the field, after graduation, the boys shone. Moir Gartshore '06 headed the Old Boys' Club, while Walde Marshall and George Awrey distinguished themselves with the famous 1910 Tiger Football Club. Others thrived at university, and Harry Crerar rose to be Adjutant of the Royal Canadian Artillery.

The spring term of 1910 witnessed the death of the King and the succession of King George V. Times were changing again, and the news would start to come from around the world before long.



Football Team, 1911

Back row: C.W. Gordon, G.F. Beasley, H. English, P.A. Child, D.A. Martin, N. Ford  
Third row: E. Rechnitzer, Mr. Rhoades, R.B. Ferrie, Mr. Collinson, R.L. Ferrie  
Second row: ?, ? (both wearing white sweaters)  
Front row: J.J. McKune, G.D. Robertson, J. Ferrie, H.A. Truman, G. Pirie, Beven

# Highfield School

1911 - 1912

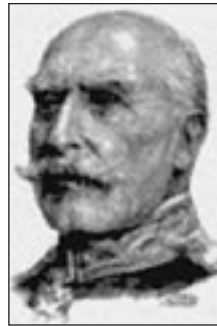
The year started off with a welcome and unexpectedly strong football season, led by Hubert Washington, Walter Clarke, and Julius Waterous. The return of Robert McKay as the fast, powerful wing helped the team to win all its matches, and end up with a 105 to 21 points for and against record.

And the pride of the school was bolstered by the Old Boys, Awrey, Gibson and Marshall playing for the Tigers; Storms, Sweeny and Hay for RMC; Gartshore for McGill, and Dixon and Reynolds for the U of T.

The hockey team also won all of its matches,

and the cricket team was the best ever. One reason might be the play of John Dobbie, who set the record for the cricket ball toss at 109 yards.

With the appointment of the new Governor-General, The Duke of Connaught, and his visit to Hamilton and support as Chief Scout, the Scout movement took a major step forward. The Headmaster was also a fervent supporter, and the Highfield troop was led by King Scout Rob Roy, who had been in the Coronation contingent. With the organization of



Governor-General,  
The Duke of Connaught

the boys into these troops, and the acceleration of the rifle marksman program, ominous clouds were forming in Europe.

In this spectacular year, there was a heavy cloud over the school on the news that Geddes Zimmerman, 25 years old, had been killed in a mining accident. *'Geddes Zimmerman was a singularly fine type of School-boy... He won the school championship in 1903... became captain of the McGill University Football Team... No doubt the school still benefits from the vigorous spirit he radiated years ago.'*

The school could certainly be proud of its boys.

Boy Scouts in 1911



## Jokes from the Oracle:

**Washington** - I'm the flower of the family.  
**Wardrope** - That explains why your brother called you a blooming idiot!

**Drill Sergeant** of 91st Regiment after three hours steady drill with new recruit,

## McKay:

"Right about face."

## McKay, not moving:

"Thank goodness, I'm right about something at last."



D.H. Storms



J.C. Mewburn



W.O. Boger



M.B.H. Boyd



H.H. Washington



R.R. McKay



W.F. Clarke



J.B. Waterous

# Highfield School

1912 - 1913



John Dobbie



A.G. Dobbie



W.H. Wardrope



G.C. Hilliard



J.B. Mitchell

Community life in the early part of the century was far less compartmentalized. Old Boys returned to play school games, and the boys played in city, provincial and, rarely, on national teams. Hope Gibson and Walde Marshall had played on the Dominion XI earlier on, but as Old Boys. Now John Dobbie actually played for the Dominion champions, The Rough Riders, against the RMC Intermediates, for whom Doug Storms and brother Archie Dobbie both played.

And while history teaches that the Great War came rather suddenly upon the Empire, preparations were certainly in full progress in Hamilton. To augment the Scout

troop, a new Highfield Cadet Corps was presented with its colours. Sergeant Major Skinner was the chief instructor, with Cadet Captain Wardrope, 1st Lieutenant Otway Bodger and 2nd Lieutenant Rob Roy leading the Corps.

Other signs heralded war. Colonel the Honourable Sam Hughes, Minister of

Munitions, visited the school to inspect the Scouts, and presented the Vancouver Cup for shooting to Bill Wardrope. He also won the cup donated by Sir Edmund Osler, MP. In fact, the school held the Championship Shield of the RMC Club for three years, finally relinquishing it to Halifax.

On the same topic, Colin

Gibson *'leapt to fame by winning first place in the great struggle for the Governor-General's much coveted prize'*.

Having joined his brother, Hope, in his father's law firm, great things were predicted for him, and great things he did.

Nor was he alone in the spot light. Sidney Sweeny was Head of College at

RMC, winning the Gold Medal, the Sword of Honour and starring on the championship football team. Not to be outdone, Jim Turner represented RMC on the revolver team that defeated the elite British military school, Sandhurst, registering the highest score on record.

There was little question what was in store.



Back row: Niblett, J.Ferrie, G. Pirie, J. Dobbie, Robertson, Pearce, P.A. Child  
Middle row: Mr. Purdon, R.L. Ferrie, R.B. Ferrie, Mr. Collinson, Mr. Rhoades  
Front row: C.W. Gordon, J. McKune, G.B. Beasley, F. Rehnitzer

# Highfield School

1913 - 1914

In the last year before war, the school opened to a record enrolment of 129 boys. The school President, Colonel, The Hon-

ourable John S. Hendrie, CVO succeeded Sir John Gibson as Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario.

Clearly there was some dislocation in the system of record keeping this year, because there was no issue of the *Review*. Some news was included in the next volume, but it is scanty.

The military theme grew as the cadets formed a guard of honour for the dignitaries at

Speech Day, The outgoing Lieutenant-Governor, Sir John Gibson as Guest of Honour, The incoming Lieutenant-Governor, The Honourable John Hendrie, President of Highfield, and the Lord Bishop of Niagara as special guest.

Noted were the facts that there were 20 Old Boys as officers in the local regiments, John Stuart won the gold medal for his work on the Mount Royal Tunnel in Montreal, and the Gibson brothers, Hope and Colin, were distinguishing themselves in international cricket and shooting.

Not afraid of ringers, the cricket team this year was bolstered by two teachers in non-school matches. In fact, if it is correctly reported, the game against RMC seems to have been outstanding. For the boys,

Miles Hamilton led the way with 53 runs, and he was partnered by Francis Gibson, the third brother now at RMC, batting 75 for the school, for a very respectable innings total of 206. For RMC, John Dobbie seems to have batted 228, to win the match. Hard to believe, but that's what it says. In another match against Hamilton, Mr. Gorringer, teacher for just one year, hit 194, not out, and was partnered by Eric Rechnitzer for 54, not out. Not shoddy.

The senior day fee at Highfield was \$75 per annum!! \$300 for boarders, and \$50 extra for RMC preparation.



The outgoing Lieutenant-Governor, Sir John Gibson as Guest of Honour, the incoming Lieutenant-Governor, The Honourable John Hendrie, President of Highfield, and the Headmaster



Eric Rechnitzer



John Dobbie



F.M. Gibson



B.C. Montagnon

# Highfield School

1914 - 1915



Reverend C.A. Heaven



C.F. Saunders



C.A. MacGillivray



Walter F. Clarke

With the exception of brief, if horrendous, conflicts in the Crimea and South Africa, and skirmishes daily around the Empire, the world had generally been at peace since the Napoleonic era. That the world now seemed to have stumbled on world war took the citizens by surprise.

By the start of the war there were 240 Old Boys eligible for war. Miss Burton had organized her Preparatory Class into a scout troop. Of the 23 Old Boys at RMC at the start of the year, only 5 remained at the end. Walter Clarke won the Athletic Championship. All the others had signed up for combat. Harwood Steele, son of General Sir S.B.S. Steele of Winnipeg, while still a Highfield school boy, wrote a book of navy poems which

was published and sold in London.

Already reports of the wounded were coming back. George Hay was wounded at the Marne, and Sidney Sweeney in Flanders.

In the school, Leighton Ferrie and Charlie Saunders led the boys. Saunders was Athletic Champion twice in a row, following Hubert Washington and George Awrey. The football team was the best in memory, captained by Saunders. Of the six games played, it lost only one, in over-time, to the Collegiate.

And this was a year, too, which straddled the future with the arrival of the Reverend C.A. Heaven, who would serve the school for some twenty years, half of them as Headmaster.



## Hockey Team

Back row: J.R. Paisley, J.E. Cohoe, C.F. Saunders  
Middle row: R.L. Ferrie, Mr. Collinson, A.R. McKay  
Front row: C.A. MacGillivray, W.G. Findlay



## Football Team

Back row: G.M. Pirie, F.I. Carpenter, P.A. Child, W.L.B. Smart, L.M. Wilkinson, A.M. Ramsay  
Middle row: R.W. Leslie, H.A. Truman, R.L.M. Ferrie, Mr. R.B. Ferrie, C.F. Saunders, Mr. Collinson  
Front row: J.R. Ferrie, A.R. McKay, W.G. Finlay, O. Rechnitzer, H.E.C. Dowling

# Highfield School

1915 - 1916

This was the year of reckoning for the years of preparing for heroism. In the summer of 1915, two of the school's foremost Old Boys died in the field. Hubert Washington, at the age of 22 had survived all but one of the Officers of the Fourth Battalion after the Battle of Langemarck. Having lived through the fierce battle itself, he was killed by a chance bullet the morning after.

The second was Francis Gibson, 22 years old, killed near the infamous Armentieres, and like Hubert, one of only two officers left in his battalion. Though wounded, he returned to his battalion for the eight day second battle at Ypres. He was buried in the presence of General Alderson at Nieppe.

The reality of preparing for heroism struck home,

and interestingly, it was the year that the records of the life at the school start to fade, but some key information remains.

This was the year of Tom McIlwraith and Richard Saunders of the famous family from Burford, and it seems to have been another very successful year.

One of the main incentives for maximum effort were the many trophies put up for competition. They were grouped in categories of Character - the Tinling Gold Medal; Academics - The Governor-General's and Lieutenant-Governor's; Sports - the Bristol Cup for the Senior Champion, and Taylor Shield for the Juniors; and Rifle - originally the Vancouver Cup given by the Vancouver parents, and then joined by an

increasing number as the war progressed.

For these years the holders were:

## Tinling Gold Medal

1915 - R.L. Ferrie

1916 - T.F. McIlwraith

## Governor-General's Medal

1915 - R.L. Ferrie

1916 - T.F. McIlwraith

## Lieutenant-General's Medal

1915 - R.L. Ferrie

1915 - T.F. McIlwraith

1916 - C.W. Gordon

1916 - T.F. McIlwraith

## The Bristol Cup

1915 - C.F. Saunders

1916 - R.M. Saunders

## The Taylor Shield

1915 - K.E. Ferrie

1916 - A.H. Zimmerman

## The Vancouver Cup

1915 - R.L. Ferrie

1916 - J.G. Collinson



Tom McIlwraith



C.F. Saunders



K.E. Ferrie



R.M. Saunders



A.H. Zimmerman



R.L. Ferrie



J.G. Collinson



C.W. Gordon



John Collinson was Vice-Chairman of Hamilton's Naval Recruiting Committee, 1915

Hamilton Military Museum / Brenda Brownlee

# Highfield School

1916 - 1918



Stuart MacDonald



Bill Drynan



J.D. Campbell



Ralph McKay



Peter McCullough

It inevitably, these years were dominated by news from the front. Old Boys literally spanned the globe in every service, and reports of the fallen and wounded came all too regularly. But there was also inspiration from the healthy and living, as news came of the promotion of Campbell Gwyn who enrolled as a private, to Captain. The distinguished Grahame Robertson, MC, extinguished a fire in the ammunition pit, and was very gratefully dined by his brigade!

Yet the clouds seemed to remain back home. The spring weather nearly ruined the cricket season, and in May, there was a serious fire in the school's main building, effectively finishing the boarding program.

All the heroism was not from the front. On May 5th, 1918, a few minutes before 2 a.m. the 16-year-old Gordon Collinson was roused from his bed by

smoke fumes in his room. The flames had a long start on the fire brigade which was hampered by the steep climb to the property and low water pressure. The fire took three hours to bring under control, and great water damage resulted.

But the Collinsons managed to save much of the furniture and arrangements were made for the speedy reopening of the school.

Yet there were also excellent progress and achievement at the school. Stuart MacDonald led the academic side in 1917, with Bill Drynan leading the sports. Bill won the Bristol Cup and six other trophies in Sports. Close behind, and a clear up-and-comer was Adam Zimmerman, brother of Herb, and from whom much more will be heard, and Ralph McKay, captain of hockey, and father of future student and Chairman, A.R.W. (Bud) McKay.

By 1918 Adam Bell had made a strong mark in his years at the school, and this year he led the academics, with Ken Ferrie leading the athletic side. It was the year of many names familiar to the school, and to future generations.

J. D. Campbell, father of later Board members Ian and Colin enrolled. All of his grandchildren had fine careers at the school, and Robin, the eldest, would be a Governor-General medalist.

Fred Wilkinson was junior champ, and Harold Lazier won the Beasley Cup. Peter McCullough shone on the literary scene, winning the Vimy Prize, while Gordon Collinson excelled on the rifle range.

At the front, there were 234, or nearly 75% of all Old Boys, on active service, 154 of whom held officers' rank. Twenty had been killed and 53 wounded. Fifteen had received decorations, ten were mentioned in dispatch-

es, and two were prisoners in Germany.

Despite the loss of so many Old Boys, and the irreparable damage to the school's boarding facilities, Speech Day 1918 celebrated the school successes as usual. Mr. F. W. Gates, a long time supporter of the school and father of the wounded Fred, presided with the Headmaster, and Sir John Gibson and the Bishop of Niagara assisted.

*Fine weather did all in its power; and the proud story of the School's share in the war did the rest.*

## The Fire.

At 2 a.m. on May 5th a fire was discovered in the upper flat which had been unused and locked up for some time. For some time it was small and aroused little alarm. But the force of water was inadequate, and in consequence the roof was destroyed. The fire was confined to the top flat, but water damaged the lower floors. Nothing of historical value was spoilt.

The two south wings were prepared during the summer to accommodate a day school of seventy boys. They are most comfortable and suitable in every way.

A large meeting of influential citizens was held to consider the School's future, and by general consent it was agreed that, when times are more settled, the School should be permanently and worthily established on some suburban site.

Meanwhile the Old Boys, whose sympathy was most hearty and of the greatest comfort, may rest assured that the School, though of reduced dimensions, will add to its enviable reputation and deserve their love and loyalty.

# Highfield School

1918 - 1920

All the years of preparation had paid off with the signing of the armistice in November, 1918. The war to end all wars was won, and Highfield played more than its fair share. The focus on preparation for the Royal Military College had paid off, and in the Headmaster's words, *'The wonderful war record of the College... presents cogent and undeniable claims for the expansion of the College on an extensive scale.'*

No one was more active in preparing the boys than Mrs. Collinson. She remained an integral member of the school and wider community. To honour her, the British Navy League presented her with a Special Service Decoration for her contributions throughout the war. Interestingly, this is the final entry in the last number of *The Highfield Review*.

Without the proper facilities and without the boarders, the

school was diminished, and already the hunt for a new facility was under way. This would be the last year under the founders, and The Rev. Mr. Heaven would take the reins and find the new facility.

Nevertheless, the year had its outstanding students and achievements. Hartley Zimmerman, younger brother of Herbert and Adam, shone both on

the fields and in the classroom. The Lazier brothers, Harold and John made their strong marks, along with Ivan and Bill Glassco and Ralph Barnes. Jack Wright captained the senior hockey, with John Lazier leading the juniors. The seniors had an undefeated season.

Sir John Gibson chaired the final Speech Day on a beautiful June afternoon. Mr. Collinson

announced his intention to return to England for an extended stay, and appointed Mr. Heaven as Headmaster for the school's last year as Highfield.

The property passed into other hands in July, 1920.

The curtain was drawn on a remarkable venture and a wonderful inspiration for the generations to follow.



Highfield First Hockey 1919

Back row: - Phin, S. Boyd, McCaul, H.M. Collinson, B. McKewen  
Front row: H. Boyd, M. Wright, Mr. Collinson, J.C.H. Zimmerman, D. Barnes



The stone door front entrance to Highfield - the school was severely damaged by fire in 1918



Ralph Barnes



Jack Wright



Hartley Zimmerman



Sir John Gibson

# Highfield Heroes

## The Great War and the End of Reason



William Otway Boger



Mascal Brooks Hamilton Boyd



Herbert William Dobbie



John Shedden Dobbie



William Kellock Domville

From *The Highfield Review*, 1919: "Highfield's loss has been grievous yet glorious.

Thirty-five noble lives have been given for Empire and all that Empire means. Telling them over; one by one, and conjuring up visions of their manly beauty, and memories of their clear, unsullied souls and dauntless spirit of sacrifice, they stand before us a matchless band of heroes. The choicest and the goodliest of our boys have left us for a land to which only the bravest and the noblest can go. They were fit to enrich Heaven, as Earth has been blessed by their brief sojourn here."

### William Otway Boger

Capt. *Snathcona* Horse and R.A.F. Born June 19th, 1896. At Highfield 1909-13: Cricket, Hockey and Football Colours. R.M.C. 1913. *Snathcona* Horse 1914. R.A.F. 56th Squadron. Missing Aug. 10th, 1918. Son of Mr. H.W.O. Boger, of Brandon.

Although no news has yet been received from, or about, Otway Boger, we have by no means abandoned hope. We trust that, as a result of victory, many a missing soldier will be restored to his friends; and, among our heroes, who can be more desired than the gallant and worthy comrade of Capt. J. Ball, V.C., and Major McCudden, V.C. His modesty and bravery were equally

conspicuous. "The trouble with this officer," says his leader, "is that the stories of his exploits have to be dragged out of him." He used to return from patrol with the marks of the fray upon him and his machine, but he had no story to tell. "He is, without exception, the most recklessly brave, chivalrous, modest and charming boy it has ever been my lot to meet," writes Major Gilchrist, who had just sent in a strong recommendation for a second decoration.

### Mascal Brooks Hamilton Boyd

Lieut. *Tank Battalion*. Born Oct. 21st, 1894. At Highfield 1903-06; 1910-13: Football Team; Tiger Football Team. Missing from the transport ship, *Cassandra*, June 1918. Son of Mr. W.G.E. Boyd of Hamilton.

Mascal Boyd disappeared mysteriously from the transport ship which was carrying him to France for the second time; and, so far, nothing has been revealed to throw light on the strange occurrence. After a year in the trenches, he came to Canada to rest; but he was determined from the moment of his return to take up arms again as soon as he could. Accepted at last by the Tank Battalion, he sailed overseas with joy in his heart. No warrior ever returned to the fray with greater zest. His letters from the boat, especially his last unfinished one, shew how delighted he was to be nearing the fighting line. "Mac" Boyd was a splendid type of soldier. As a boy he was fearless in sport and an ardent student of nature.

He loved the woods and was learned in the ways of beasts and of birds. All his comrades loved him for his open, honest nature, his manly modesty and his sincere wish to do his duty in this own unobtrusive, yet thorough, way. It may be that his love of the pure air of heaven drew him from the fetid atmosphere of the state-room to the dark and treacherous deck, deprived thorough the danger-zone of its usual bulwarks.

### William Assheton Crawley

Lieut. R.F.C. Born May 23rd, 1897. At Highfield 1906-9. Drowned at Sea, Dec. 30th, 1917. Son of Mr. W. E. M. Crawley, of Oakville.

It is believed that our young hero was lost when the transport which was carrying him to Egypt was torpedoed in the Mediterranean. Born of a service family, he was destined for the navy, but these hopes were not fulfilled. He took out a commission in the 164th Battalion and went overseas. In England he entered the R.F.C. and won his wings. Though we may never know the manner of his death, we know that he was made of sterling metal and would face death with courage.

### Malcolm Charlton Crerar

Lieut. R.F.A. and R.F.C. Born July 11, 1898. At Highfield, 1905-10. At R.M.C., 1915-16. Killed in action in Palestine, August 3rd, 1917. Youngest son of Mrs. P. D. Crerar.

Malcolm Crerar was the youngest of three soldier brothers and the youngest of our Highfield heroes. But he had compressed a great experience into his years of service. While flying over Aboukir Bay he saw the hulks of Nelson's victims deep down in the clear waters and he took a keen and intelligent interest in the places he visited in the Holy Land. He was a fearless flyer. His merry, sunny disposition, which never seemed clouded, won him much love.

### Herbert William Dobbie

Born July 22nd, 1897. Fell in Action Nov. 14th, 1916 at Beaumont-Hamel. At Highfield 1911-1912. Son of Col. H.H. Dobbie (late Indian Army), of Maple Bay, B. C.

Herbert Dobbie was only with us one year, but in that short time we learnt to value him. No one was surprised that he insisted on enlisting at the beginning of the war, though he was about to enter R.M.C., and was below the minimum age.

He joined the 48th Battalion as a private and on reaching England he obtained a commission in the 3rd Royal Berks. All his three brothers have been wounded.

### John Shedden Dobbie

Captain *Gordon Highlanders*. Born July 25, 1894. At Highfield 1911-13: Capt. Cricket, 1913. Fell in action October 5th, 1917. Son of Col. H.H. Dobbie (late Indian Army), of Maple Bay, B. C.

He was the second of Col. Dobbie's four soldier sons to give his life's blood for the Empire. He had but recently recovered from severe wounds. He passed for R.M.C. in 1913, but did not enter the College. He enlisted in the First Contingent with a British Columbian Battalion. On arriving in England he was given a Commission in the Gordon Highlanders. He was one of the best athletes the School has ever had, being pre-eminent both in cricket and football. He played on a Championship team of the Hamilton Tigers while a boy at School. The hero worship which was his, as a matter of course, was used for good, and he was most unassuming and retiring. He had a strong character which was conspicuous for conscientiousness and religious influence.

### William Kellock Domville

Lieut. (Instructor) R. A. F. Born March 2nd, 1899. At Highfield 1910-16. R. M. C. 1916. Died at Kingston from the effects of a fall, July 7th, 1918. Son of Lieut.-Col. Percy Domville, of Hamilton.

Lieutenant Domville was engaged in duties that were both responsible and hazardous, and the fact that he was chosen as an instructor bears testimony to his skill and reliability. Though he has not had the glorious privilege of facing the enemy, he has just as certainly given his young life for the Empire as if he had fallen in France. He

loved his work, and was imbued with the same burning desire to give noble service that has characterized all his friends and contemporaries. He was not given to demonstrations of affection or regard, but at times he revealed the depth of feeling that lay beneath an exterior of reserve. He knew the meaning of the War, and though but a boy, with all life's allurements in view, he was ready to make the most complete sacrifice that anyone can make.

## Robert Leighton Moore Ferrie

*Capt. R. F. C. 46th Squadron. Born Oct. 7th, 1898. At Highfield 1907-15: Governor-General's Medal, 1915; Lieut.-Governor's Medal, 1915; The Tinting Gold Medal, 1915; Sports Champion, 1915; Rifle Champion, 1915; Cricket and Hockey Captain; Football Team. R.M.C. 1915: Company Sergeant-Major; Light-Weight Boxing Champion; Football Captain. Fell in action Jan. 3rd, 1918. Son of Mr. R. B. Ferrie, of Hamilton.*

Glorious boy, beloved of all, boy with the brave heart and the great soul, you have left us, and have not left your peer. Left us in the zenith of your vigour, your usefulness and your triumphs. Who that knew Leighton Ferrie will not drop a tear that the world has lost such a bright gem? So full of promise, so strong in character, so pure and lofty in soul, so formed for great and heroic deeds; so lovable and so admirable, so young and so beautiful. Is the world to be bereft of its best? Ought our hearts to break, or ought they to rejoice? If we were more than human, we might see in this decree of Providence the winning of a glorious crown; but being creatures of imperfect vision, we mingle more suffering than pride in our present feelings. We think too much of our own loss and too little of the hero's triumph.

## Francis Malloch Gibson

*Lieut. 15th Battalion, 48th Highlanders. Entered School Sept. 1908. Entered R.M.C. Sept. 1911. Killed in Action near Armentieres, Aug. 19th, 1915. Buried at Nieppe. Youngest son of Sir John M. Gibson, K.C.M.G.*

Frank Gibson had a brilliant career at School, winning a high place in the R.M.C. examination and the Governor-General's medal for Proficiency. He was a good athlete and a clever

marksman. In fact, he did most things well, though he was apt to depreciate his own powers. He had great ability, a strong character and a splendid conception of duty. By nature sociable and lovable, he attracted the close friendship of the best of his comrades. R.M.C. had fitted him for a soldier's life, and he gave to his country the full benefit of his complete training undiminished by the enervating influences of a civilian life. Strong of physique, reliable and capable, fearless in action, he won the admiration of all his comrades. He possessed a strong, well-balanced mind, which kept him serene amid the horrors and trials of his arduous life at the Front.

He saw much service and passed through many perils. Of the original complement of officers of his battalion only Col. W.R. Marshall remained at the time of his death. Hearing of his regiment's losses at St. Julien, he rushed back to duty in spite of a wound unhealed, and took part in the last eight days of the second battle of Ypres. In this he acted as Adjutant to Colonel Currie who thus speaks of him: "I recommended him for a decoration. No braver or more efficient officer ever lived. He was a model of kindness, good behaviour and efficiency - a true Canadian officer and a good soldier."

He was buried with military honours on the 21st of September in a British burial reserve at Nieppe. General Alderson and his staff were present, and the pipers played "The Flowers of the Forest" and "The Land of the Leal".

## Reginald Herbert Gilbert

*Lieut. Seaforth Highlanders. Born March 25th, 1893. At Highfield 1903-09: Matriculation Honours (Latin). Queen's University, B.A. (Honours) 1915. Died of wounds (poisoned bullet) Aug 8th, 1918. Son of Mr. H. J. Gilbert, of Vancouver.*

The career of Reginald Gilbert was a striking instance of the wonderful change in human plans wrought by the War. A born student, with an active, brilliant brain, coupled with a facility and eloquence of speech, Gilbert's future seemed to be destined for pursuits remote from war. Gilbert assuredly flew to the fray from no natural love of adventure, but from the loftiest sense of duty. His father did the same. Yet the student made an excellent soldier. He reverted to the ranks to hasten overseas, and his gallantry in France won him a commission in an Imperial regiment. The near-

ness of Cambridge to his training camp delighted his scholarly soul, and made his thoughts hark back to School and Master. As his fate decreed, he died at Oxford, and his body rests more peacefully (we imagine) from being in classic soil.

## Charles Campbell Gwyn

*Captain (Acting Major) 15th Batt. Born Dec. 5, 1884. Fell in action at Vimy Ridge on April 9th, 1917. At Highfield 1901-03: Football Captain, 1902. At McGill 1903-5. Son of Lieut.-Col. H.C. Gwyn, of Dundas.*

Campbell Gwyn was one of the "Originals", entering the School on its opening day, September 9th, 1901. Seized with the terrible meaning of the struggle he entered the 1st Batt. as a private, doing noble service during the most arduous days of the war. He was wounded, mentioned in despatches and given a Commission. As an officer he was singularly beloved, as numerous letters testify. No handsomer soldier or braver soul has found a resting place in the blood-stained fields of Flanders.

## Geoffrey Crosier Hilliard

*Lieut. R. C. Dragoons. Born March 17, 1897. At Highfield 1913-14: Football, Hockey and Cricket Colours. R.M.C. 1914-15. Died of wounds December 11th, 1917. Son of Mr. G. B. Hilliard, of Lakefield.*

Geoffrey Hilliard was one of the noblest type of young man. His strong face, strong physique and strong, clean soul endeared him to the best of his comrades at Highfield, at the RMC, and in the Royal Canadian Dragoons, with whom his military life was spent. Quietness and confidence were his strength, and none who knew him and loved him can doubt but that he did his last duty as a gallant gentleman. He was worthy to join the glorious legion that has crossed the border to do service 'that we wot not of.' Geoffrey Hilliard has played a man's part and earned a brave man's reward.

## George Kilvert Holland

*Lieut. 83rd Battalion. Born Dec. 13, 1892. At Highfield Jan. 1905 to Dec., 1910. Fell in action, Nov. 6th, 1917. Only son of Mr. G.A. Holland, of Woodstock.*

George Holland was long enough at School

to be thoroughly known, and the fact that he was generally beloved is evidence of his sterling qualities. He entered heartily into all the School games. He was much disappointed at not being accepted for service as early as he wished but he saw much hard fighting before he fell. "Dutch" Holland and his gallant sacrifice will be long remembered.

## Geoffrey Lynch-Staunton

*Lieut. 13th Hussars. Born July 17, 1896. Fell in action at Lajj in Mesopotamia on March 5th, 1917. At Highfield 1905-11. Son of the Hon. G. Lynch-Staunton, K.C.*

Geoffrey Lynch-Staunton was an undergraduate of Merton College, Oxford when the current of his life was suddenly diverted. He had long looked forward to a University life which held out singular attractions to one of his tastes, but he had scarcely crossed the threshold when his ambitions were thwarted. However, he plunged cheerfully into a military life and after a year or so under Colonel Hendrie in the Remount Department he sailed to the East, where on classic soil he met his fate in a cavalry engagement on the way to Bagdad. He had a charming personality and unwavering devotion to duty.

## Duncan Somerled MacDougall

*Signaller, Siberian Force. Born May 23rd, 1894. At Highfield 1903-6; 1907-8. Died of Spanish Influenza, Oct. 17th, 1918. Son of Major-General J. C. MacDougall, C.M.G.*

When the Canadian Force was organized to go to Siberia, Duncan MacDougall was a volunteer and enlisted in the Signal Company. Unfortunately, he fell a victim to the Spanish Influenza and was thus prevented from active participation in the Great War. Since leaving School he had spent some years in Paris.

## Charles Alister MacGillivray

*Lieut. R.F.C. Born July 29th, 1899. At Highfield 1914-16: Hockey Captain, 1917. R.M.C. 1916. Died as the result of an accident, Feb. 14th, 1918. Son of Judge T. A. MacGillivray, of Whitby.*

'Ginty' MacGillivray, as he was affectionately called, was perhaps, the youngest of our boys to lay down his life in the War. An accident, which happened in England, closed a promising career at the age of 18. He won his wings in Canada,



Robert Leighton Moore Ferrie



Francis Malloch Gibson



Reginald Herbert Gilbert



Charles Campbell Gwyn



Geoffrey Crosier Hilliard



George Kilvert Holland



Geoffrey Lynch-Staunton



Charles Alister MacGillivray



Waldemar Sidney Marshall



Gordon MacMichael Matheson



John Chilton Mewburn



John Broughton Mitchell

and flew over the School more than once. He was full of vigorous young life, overflowing with buoyant spirits and the joy of living, and eagerly anticipated the vicissitudes of service in France. Though he was taken away before he had reached the goal of his desires, he did not lack the will to do and dare. His gallant soul had had time and opportunity to prove its mettle, and had won the love and admiration of all who shared his life.

## Waldemar Sidney Marshall

*Lieut. 3rd Canadian Pioneers. Born Feb. 21st, 1887. At School 1901-1904. Died of wounds Oct. 4th, 1916.*

No one did more to win athletic honours for the School than Waldemar Marshall, who was a cricket genius even in early boyhood, and developed into a distinguished all-round athlete as he grew to manhood. He became an international cricketer and a Tiger football player. He had splendid physique and was so thoroughly good-hearted and unassuming that his comrades were ungrudgingly proud of his great achievements. He was a worthy brother of that gallant and beloved soldier, Colonel W.R. Marshall, D.S.O., whom we also mourn.

## Gordon MacMichael Matheson

*Lieut. 120th Battalion. Born May 29th, 1892. At Highfield 1905-10: Captain Hockey, 1910; Football Team; Capt. of Football Team, 1914. Trinity University 1910-14. B.A. (Honours). Fell in action Aug. 11th, 1918. Son of Mr. G. A. Matheson, of Hamilton.*

Nature endowed Gordon Matheson with many and rich gifts. Thanks to native modesty and a noble heart, these were all used without a taint of self. Attracted at first by his handsome person and charm of manner, his friends soon found that these were as nothing compared to the innate beauty of his soul, his heart and his mind. The influence of such a man could not fail to radiate to the benefit of a wide circle. His physical perfection, athletic prowess, accomplishments and amiable disposition won love and admiration on all hands. His career at School and College was most creditable. Though active in many branches of sport, he won honours in his studies and an excellent degree. For a short time, while awaiting his commission, he returned to his old school as a

master, and by his attractive personality and exceptional talents exercised a wonderful influence over his pupils. His skill as an Instructor kept him longer in England than he wished, and he chafed with disappointment at being so long separated from his old friends who were winning glory in France. While in England, he trained and captained a team in bayonet practice which won the championship of the army that was preparing for the fight. Even among Highfield's heroes, Gordon Matheson will surely find a place of no mean rank.

## Joseph Stanley McCoy

*Born Jan. 27 1891. At Highfield 1904-06. Corporal 86th Batt. Fell in action September, 1917. Son of Mr. John McCoy, of Hamilton.*

Joseph McCoy earned an enviable reputation in his Battalion before he joined his gallant brother, Barney. He was made of sterling stuff. Before enlisting he was in a bank in Western Canada. He leaves a young wife and child.

## John Chilton Mewburn

*Lieut. 36th Battalion. Born Oct. 17th, 1893. Fell in Action September 15th, 1916. At School 1902-1906; 1910-1913: Football Captain, 1912; Hockey Team, 1912-13; Rifle Team, 1913*

Chilton Mewburn was so uniformly cheerful and good natured that he won the love of all around him. Many a Highfield heart grieved sorely at the sad news of his death, though with the sorrow was intermingled pride in his heroic conduct at Courcellette. He led A Company of the 18th Battalion into action, and in the first wave lost the fingers of his left hand. Regardless of this he carried on, inspiring his men to the success which they ultimately won with great credit. In the moment of victory he fell.

General Turner, V.C., cabled: "He was wounded while leading his company in the first wave of his Battalion's successful attack. He displayed great coolness, and, in spite of his serious wound, continued with the second wave."

## John Broughton Mitchell

*Captain (Acting Major) 10th Battalion. Born August 4th, 1896. At Hillfield 1912-14: Winner*

*of the Whitney Cup, 1914; Football and Cricket Colours. Died of wounds, Sept. 29th, 1918. Son of Mr. H. B. Mitchell, Winnipeg.*

Jack Mitchell enlisted on his 18th birthday on August 4th, 1914. Those who knew him expected him to be eager for the fray. Although he had to endure great hardships in the early stages of the war, he remained cheerful and confident, and his spirits retained their buoyancy. Remarkable at all times for his fearlessness and love of danger, he was ever in the forefront of his battalion's enterprises. He attracted the attention of his commanding officer who gave him a commission. Though a leader in all hazardous undertakings, he seemed immune, and went through four years of war unscathed.

He won the Military Cross in June, 1918, and a bar soon afterwards. His energy, his natural aptitude for war, and his merry disposition combined to make him an officer of great value. He had all the qualities beloved of boys, among whom he was always a leader and a hero. His elders loved him for his sunny smiles, his charm of manner and exuberance of spirits.

General A. C. Macdonnell writes: "We should remember that Jack in his short life saw more, did more, and influenced more men than the great majority of men do in long lives. For so young a lad his influence was extraordinary and all on the right side. I like to think that he was called 'Sports Mitchell,' by the men because he was such an active participator and promoter of all manly games and sports. Everyone knew Jack and loved him... He will be sadly missed by the men of his company. He believed them to be the best company and they believed him to be the finest Company Commander in France."

Chaplain R. L. Hussey writes: "His life has not been wasted, but spent in the highest way - in the service of others."

## Bernhard Coeure Montagnon

*Lieut. Machine-gun Corps. Educated at Cheltenham College, England. Master at Highfield, 1913-1915. Died of wounds, Nov. 1917.*

Mr. Montagnon came to Canada with all the enthusiasm of a schoolboy. He had had little experience in teaching, but he was full of energy and high spirits. He was a splendid cricketer and

devoted to all kinds of sports. Before the war he had joined the 13th in the Machine Gun Company. When war broke out he obtained a commission and went overseas with the 36th. For some time he was an instructor at Shorncliffe.

## Gordon MacKenzie Pearce

*Lieut. 124th Batt. Born Sept. 30, 1896. At Highfield 1907-12. Fell in action April 25th, 1917. Son of Mr. W.K. Pearce, of Toronto.*

Gordon Pearce was one of the keenest of Boy Scouts, and as quite a young boy showed the same spirit of service and patriotism which took him to the war and proved his heroism. A boy of great ability and unwavering principle, he endeared himself to all, and seemed destined to achieve much. Who can estimate the value of what he did do?

## Theodore Oscar Purdon

*Capt. 6th Royal Leinsters. B.A. Lincoln Coll., Oxford. Fell in Action Sept. 9th, 1916*

Capt. Purdon came to us fresh from his life at Oxford, where he had won the esteem of the Master of his college to an unusual degree. He came to Canada - as later on he engaged in slum work - to widen his outlook on life and to fit him for the sacred ministry. We all valued him and recognized the high purpose which marked his every act. Both General Pereira, of the 47th Brigade, and Col. Buckley, of his Battalion, spoke in the highest terms of his splendid courage and resourcefulness - qualities which won for him the Military Cross.

## George Victor Robinson

*Lieut. Canadian Army Service Corps. Born April 5th, 1894. At Highfield 1904-10. Died of Spanish Influenza, Oct. 10th, 1918. Son of Mr. G. W. Robinson, of Hamilton.*

Victor Robinson was at Highfield for six years and was the contemporary there of many who have given their services and their lives to the Empire. Like all the others he was imbued with the spirit of patriotism which surged within him from the very beginning of the War.

From the first he longed to do his part, and was not happy until he was wearing khaki. His disappointment was intense when he was refused

for overseas service, and this was greatly increased when he was compelled for a time to relinquish his duties and take a necessary rest. When he resumed his uniform and his service, happiness returned. The Spanish Influenza claimed him in October, and when he was told of its probable issue, he faced his end with unflinching courage, thinking only of his friends and their grief and expressing regret that he could not die in France. His spirit was as true and his service as complete as though he had fallen on the field of battle.

## Charles Ashbury Sparling, M.A., B.D.

*Chaplain C. E. F. Died of Spanish Influenza, Oct. 26, 1918.*

Mr. Sparling, Rector of St. Mark's, was for a year a visiting master at the school. He was of such a happy, cheerful disposition that he could not fail to win the affection of his boys. When he joined the Forces in May 1918, the School gave him a hearty send-off, with a handsome present to remind him of their love. While fulfilling his duty as a Chaplain, he contracted the Spanish Influenza in a virulent form and succumbed on Oct. 26th, in spite of youth and a strong constitution.

## Henry Richard Thomson

*Lieut. 58th Batt. Born May 30th, 1894. At Highfield 1905-14; Cricket Captain, 1914; Member of Hockey and Football Teams. At Trinity 1914-15. Fell in action Oct, 1917. Son of Mr. G.C. Thomson, of Hamilton.*

Harry Thomson was conspicuous throughout his School life for his unfailing cheerfulness and charming consideration for others. His principles were high, and he came near to our conception of a true gentleman. Beneath an exterior which never lost its boyishness there lay a stern determination and a will of steel. His devotion to duty was marked even among instances of extreme devotion. When severely wounded he resisted all temptations to remain in Canada, and was not happy until he had rejoined his comrades at the Front. His strong, beautiful character has left a permanent mark on his associates and friends.

## William Francis Howard Tidswell

*Lieut. R.F.A. Oct., 1914. Born April 11th, 1895; Fell in Action, Oct. 31st. 1916. At School, 1911-1912; R.M. College 1912-1914*

Howard Tidswell was born to be a soldier, and had many gifts valuable in the profession of arms. One of these was art, in which he excelled. His life was full of earnestness and he became a soldier not merely as the fulfillment of a life-long ambition, but with high conceptions of chivalry worthy of one of the knights of old. As a soldier he was as efficient as he was keen, and in his short life he achieved much. There radiated from him at all times the steady light of a noble nature.

*"Full of courage and energy and a very gallant officer, he has done splendid work and gained the respect and affection of all."* So wrote his Brigade Commander, Col. N. Povey.

## Charles Burnaby Tinling

*Lieut. 42nd Highlanders. Born March 30, 1893. Died of Wounds, April 15th, 1917. At Highfield 1904-10. At McGill: B.A. & M.B. Son of Mr. C.W. Tinling of Montreal.*

Burnaby Tinling served first with the Medical Corps of McGill University. Through splendid service and devotion to duty he reached the rank of Sergeant-Major, and at the expiration of his time was given a commission with the 42nd Highlanders. Struck down at Vimy Ridge he lay wounded for some days, during which his great concern was for his men with never a thought for himself. Burnaby Tinling had great ability, splendid physique and strong character.

## George Evelyn Tinling

*Capt. East Lancashire Regiment. Born April 15, 1895. At Highfield 1904-10. At R.M.C. 1913-15. Fell in action Oct. 4th, 1917. Second son of Mr. C.W. Tinling, of Montreal.*

The School has had no boys of more brilliant promise than Burnaby and George Tinling. In their short lives here they did all in their power, and earned a glorious reward. George Tinling was wounded a year ago and while on furlough visited the School. On that occasion he spoke to the boys and paid an eloquent tribute to those Old Boys whom he had met in France. He had lost

many of his dearest friends and it is a consoling thought that he is now reunited with those whom he loved so well.

## Victor Gordon Tupper

*Captain (Acting Major) 16th Batt. Born Feb. 4, 1896. Fell in action on Easter Day, April 8th, 1917, at Vimy Ridge. At Highfield 1909-1911. Youngest son of Sir Hibbert Tupper, of Vancouver.*

Straight from School to the ranks of a Canadian Battalion, Gordon Tupper soon showed himself a born soldier and won a commission and the Military Cross. Nothing that we have read has shown more clearly the heroic fibre of our boys than his letter to his father on the eve of Vimy Ridge: *"If you are reading it (the letter) now, you will know that your youngest son 'went under' as proud as Punch on the most glorious day of his life. I am taking my company over the top for a mile in the biggest push that has ever been launched in the world, and I trust it is going to be the greatest factor towards peace. I know what I am up against and that the odds are against me. I am not going in the way I did the first time, just for sheer devilment and curiosity. I have seen the game for two years and still like it and feel that my place is here. This war has done wonders to me and makes me realize lots of things I would not have done otherwise. Again I say that I am proud to be where I am now."*

## Donald Eric Turner

*Born Nov. 2nd, 1898. At Highfield 1912-14. Fell in action, Aug. 8th, 1918. Son of Mr. J. B. Turner, of Gananoque.*

Eric Turner was a mere boy when he was first accepted for service. He made the most strenuous and persistent efforts to stay in the army, for which his intermittent attacks of asthma scarcely fitted him. He crossed the Atlantic with an artillery unit, but was discharged in England and returned to Canada. He went over again with the 173rd, and eventually reached France with the 54th. In spite of his youth, he played the part of a very gallant soldier, as letters from the front testify. He seemed to grasp the full significance of the War, and his ardent young soul was on fire to lend a hand. The burning patriotism of countless boys of the type of Eric Turner overcame all obstacles, and marched irresistibly to Victory.

*"He was a good boy and an excellent soldier,*

*bright, intelligent and always cheery. He would have had his commission before long."* - Lieut. R. H. Preston.

## James Alexander Turner

*Lieut.-Col. 13th Royal Scots. Born May 12th, 1891. At Highfield 1904-10: Rifle Champion, 1909/1910; Cricket, 1907-8-9-10; Tinning Gold Medal, 1910. R. M. C. 1910 (9th place): Feather-Weight Boxing Champion; Inter-Collegiate Athletic Team; Sandhurst Rifle Team; Sergeant; Crossed Rifles with Crown; Highest score on record in Sandhurst Revolver Match. Civil Service 1913: Wounded at Hooge, Sanctuary Wood, and Arnas. Capt. 1915, Major 1916, Lt.-Col. 1918. Son of Mrs. Turner, of Philadelphia. Grandson of the late Senator Jas. Turner, of Highfield, Hamilton.*

After four years' of glorious service, the faithful warrior has gone to his rest. Happy is the Empire that gives birth to such heroes. Whatever Alec. Turner did he did with all his might. His successes were not due to chance; he made his own opportunities. Spartan in his habits, by sheer effort he built up a strong, vigorous frame on a somewhat frail foundation. He devoted his whole intense energy to the task of fitting himself for his life's work. What a noble use he made of his natural gifts and his many accomplishments, we all know. His military career was brilliant. Disdaining to await the commission to which he was entitled by his splendid record at the Royal Military College, he enlisted in the ranks, but speedily became assistant Adjutant to the 9th Battalion. Arrived in England, he was gazetted a second-lieutenant in the Royal Scots in which his great friend, Harold Hay, had won honour at Mons and the Marne. Step by step he rose through the various ranks until at last he found himself in command of a battalion of that famous regiment.

Distinguished equally by personal valour and high military talent, he won by conspicuous merit his numerous wounds, promotions and honours. Alec. Turner's friendship was more precious than rubies. It was not given readily or carelessly, but when once given it was strong as death and true as steel. Those who were privileged to pierce through his reserve and catch a glimpse of the noble, chivalrous soul within, saw that it was as clear as the sunlight, and proud indeed were they who could win one of the rare and beautiful smiles that lit up so wonderfully his handsome,



Bernhard Coeure Montagnon



Gordon MacKenzie Pearce



Theodore Oscar Purdon



George Victor Robinson



Henry Richard Thomson



William Francis Howard Tidswell



Charles Burnaby Tintling



George Evelyn Tintling



Victor Gordon Tupper



James Alexander Turner



Henry Walter Vallance



Hubert Howells Washington

clear-cut features. We all of us have our bit of sky and our own particular stars. They do not all gleam with equal lustre, for "one star differeth from another star in glory," but we love their light, and are in distress when one of them goes out. To many of us Alec. Turner was our wonderful star, its blaze seemed ever to glow; and now that its glory has been transferred to a happier sphere, what wonder if we feel chill and lonely.

General H. L. Reed writes: *"His death was a sad blow to me personally, for he was not only one of the best officers in this Division, but also one for whom I had the greatest regard as a friend. It speaks well for his merits as a good and gallant soldier - he put a Christian spirit in the war. He got command of a battalion when he was but a boy. His splendid example and true soldierly spirit will be long remembered and help others to bear the strain of fighting."*

## Henry Walter Vallance

Lieut. 36th Battalion. Born Oct. 13th, 1890. Fell in action, June 13th, 1916. At School 1903-1908. McGill University B.Sc.

A cloud of sorrow overshadowed the School on the eve of Speech Day. The brightness of a fair June day was dimmed for us by the sad news of Walter Vallance's death on the field of battle. No thought of a soldier's career had come to Walter Vallance till the war broke over us. But like all other Highfield boys, he saw clearly that he was needed, and he began to train at once. His heart was in his new duties, and his university training made him unusually valuable. Soon he was chosen to take the initial trip to the trenches, where, alas! he fell almost as soon as he arrived. He was dearly loved by a large number of friends, and his old School, so beloved by him, will cherish his memory.

## Hubert Howells Washington

Lieut. 4th Batt., Machine Gun Officer. Born July 12, 1893. At School 1901-12: Athletic Champion 1911, 1912; Captain of Football, Hockey, Cricket 1911-12. Killed in Action July 23rd, 1915. Elder son of S.F. Washington, K.C., Crown Attorney.

Hubert Washington had a long and happy life at School, where he was the idol of his comrades. He excelled in all games, yet bore himself with a lovable modesty. He was of an open-handed generosity and of a sunny, joyous nature. His

clear notions of honour, coupled with a personality that charmed, had an inestimable influence on the School which he loved with every fibre of his loyal heart. The trumpet call to arms was music to his brave young soul, and he marched away to war with his heart aglow with martial spirit. That spirit, though sorely tried by constant and terrible hardships, remained undaunted to the end. He did a man's work, and he did it nobly. His splendid deeds were the theme of many a soldier's letter, while stories of his heroism were told throughout the Canadian lines. Recognition of his gallant services was promised repeatedly, but all his superior officers were killed or wounded, and after Langemarck he and Lieut. Wright were the only officers left of the Fourth Battalion. No incident of the war is more thrilling to us than that of these two boys mustering the glorious remnant of their command on the morning after the battle. He who had passed unscathed through countless dangers and had mourned the loss of nearly all his comrades, fell at last to a chance bullet which released his gallant spirit on July 23rd. He was buried with military honours in a pretty little wood, and a cross raised by his fellow officers marks the spot where he lies. The sum of \$9,500 was raised for Machine Guns in his memory.



The Right Honourable Prime Minister Sir Robert Laird Borden

## War Statistics

As of 1918

Number of Old Boys on Service .....	270
Number of Fallen .....	35
Number of Wounded .....	80
Number promoted from Ranks ..	31
Number of Officers .....	184
Number of Imperial Officers ..	48
Number of Decorations .....	45
Number Mentioned in Dispatches .....	25
<i>(several more than once)</i>	



# News of the World and News of Hamilton

*ca. 1920 • Winning the Peace; Closer to Home*

The world emerged from the Great War an immensely more complex place. The peace meetings at Versailles included the principal victors, Britain, France, the United States and Italy. Germany was excluded. While both Lloyd George and Woodrow Wilson favoured a reasonable peace with Germany, Georges Clemenceau of France demanded and got both the occupation of the German Rhineland and huge, unpayable war reparations. Italy had been promised the Adriatic coast for its participation and several hundred thousand dead, but the allies reneged and created Yugoslavia instead.

Thus the stage was set for the Great War Part II, though the hope was for a lasting peace through the American initiative, the League of Nations. By 1922 Mussolini was Prime Minister of Italy, and Hitler was leader of the new National Socialist party in Germany.

Canada had distinguished herself, especially on the Western Front, and particularly at Vimy Ridge. Highfield had contributed a hugely disproportionate number of heroes. But life after the war had changed in every respect, not just at Highfield.

The Great War was an inadvertent

outcome of the combined forces of the Age of Reason and the Industrial Revolution. It demonstrated what the mind and technology could achieve. War was not what most people had in mind, and there was still more to come, but breaks in the common sense of pre-war society filled the air.

Especially in art, Picasso, Braque, Miro and Dali broke the traditional emotional moulds of art in favour of the more cerebral, abstract forms. Eugene O'Neill and Pirandello took drama out of realism, and Walter Gropius in the Bauhaus movement explored the practical combining of art and master craftsmanship.

Besides the resentment of Germany and Italy, there was another big, world challenge rising in Russia, communism. Over the next 70 years this meta-conflict would play out, even through World War II. It pitted Marx, Lenin and Stalin against Sigmund Freud, Adam Smith and the American presidents.

Socialism was the common theme of the two systems - how to improve the human lot. In the West, there was a wide-spread socialist movement continuing on from the pre-war progressive movements, and Hamilton, with its strong labour base, led the way.

There were other movements afoot, too. In Ontario, women voted for the first time in the 1919 election. Just as the governments had to plan for the evolution from an agricultural to an industrial economic base, three elements, rural imperatives, alcoholic temperance and women's votes came together to bring down a balanced legislature and elected Ernest Drury to form the United Farmers of Ontario's government. For different reasons but with similar outcome, this scene would play out again for Bob Rae and the NDP in the 1980s.

With the agricultural sector shrinking in Ontario, industrial production doubled between 1914 and 1919 to \$1.5 billion. Car owners rose from 30,000 in 1914 to 144,000 in 1919. And the steel for this growth was made in Hamilton. But all

was not rosy. Hamilton was the seat of labour in a growing industrial community. Sam Lawrence represented labour on the city council, and the city went through a nasty strike of the Hamilton Street Railway that ended in a huge explosion in the HSR office. In 1920, there were 800 men registered for jobs in the city, and 1200 more men and 800 women seeking work through the Ontario Employment bureau in Hamilton. That is the undercurrent that pervades the Roaring Twenties.

Highfield was gone, and two new schools, Hillcrest and Strathallan, were just ahead. As always, the students moved through with innocent cheerfulness, but nothing was the same. How would the Hamilton families support the new enterprises in these very uncertain times?



From *The Hamilton Spectator*: How architects in the 1920s envisioned the evolution of the city

# Phoenix One 1919 - 1929

## Hillcrest School



Heaven Coat of Arms



Above, Harold and Boyd



Below, Bernard and Geoffrey Heaven in TCS uniforms, c.1918

I am grateful to The Reverend Ted Heaven, who attended Hillfield in his primary years, and is Cecil's grandson, for sharing with us his excellent history of the Heavens.

Cecil Heaven was born near Bristol, England, in 1876 and emigrated with his family to Oakville, Ontario, at the age of 7. Educated in his early years in the Halton system, he moved on to Trinity College School, Port Hope, and graduated with the Governor-General's Medal as top student. He was also a leading athlete, and played on all the major teams.

Having graduated with his Master's degree in mathematics from Trinity College at the University of Toronto, Heaven went on to Divinity School and graduated top of the class.

He returned to TCS as an assistant master until 1900 when he was ordained into the Anglican Church by the Bishop of Ottawa, the Right Reverend Charles Hamilton. In those years he

formed a close friendship with L.W.B. Broughall, Bishop of Niagara from 1933 to 1949, who himself was a great supporter of the schools.

A mutual interest in ten-

nis and close proximity in Oakville brought Mr. Heaven in touch with his future wife, Millicent Davis. They both played at the Oakville Tennis Club, and won the Women's and Men's titles in



Millicent and Cecil Heaven in 1930



Millicent and Cecil Heaven with Scamp in 1950

the same year, 1899. Milli-cent was the relatively stronger player, and was known as *'probably the best lady player in Canada.'* She held the U.S. Ladies' Champion to a very close final match in an international tournament in the late '90s.

In the 1900s, the Heavens moved through several parishes in Ontario and Quebec, including a short stay at Ashbury School in Ottawa, and eventually

ended up in Hamilton in 1914, where Mr. Heaven joined the Highfield staff.

Mr. Kirwan Martin was a prominent Hamilton lawyer and community activist. He held similar interests and background to Cecil Heaven, in that he was a great sportsman and churchman. He was long time Chancellor of the Diocese of Niagara, and he clearly had a great interest in education. When the Trustees of High-

field and Mr. Heaven were trying to sort out the future of the school, Kirwan Martin gave his support to the Heavens and the founding of Hillcrest. While there are few records of that school, and it was considered by all only a temporary school until Highfield could be reestablished, in fact it lasted for ten years.

Mr. Martin was Chairman throughout. His deep ties to the community held

the fragile organization together long enough to see the re-emergence of the school as Hillfield on the fine new property in Westdale.



*The Heavens go camping*



*Gwyneth Heaven*



*Mr. Kirwan Martin, Chair*

# Hillcrest School

## Early Years

With the Collinsons' departure for England, and the sale of Highfield by the trustees, the fate of the school was in doubt. The Highfield trustees explored several properties including W. J. Southam's property, *'Inglewood'*, just down the road from Highfield. The intention was to have the property dedicated as a memorial to Gordon Southam, Mr. W.J.'s brother, and to Basil Watson, Mrs. Southam's brother.



At the same time the trustees looked seriously at another property just to the west of Highfield, *'Uplands'*, formerly owned by the Holland family, and then

by the Hamilton Parks Board.

When both of those prospects failed to materialize, the trustees bought a 12 acre property at Station 7, Ancaster, from Mr. J.T. McNiven, a property conveniently serviced by the Hamilton–Brantford radial streetcar.

Meantime, Mr. Heaven had proceeded on a parallel plan, and purchased the large home of Dr. Russell on the corner of Queen and Main Streets. He did have the practical task of providing for the education of the boys, and needed to find immediate housing.

In the spring of 1920, a general meeting of those concerned met under the chairmanship of Mr. Heaven. There was some heated debate among those representing the Highfield trustees and those backing Mr. Heaven's plan. On the one hand,

there was the fierce determination to carry on the Highfield traditions as espoused and built by the Collinsons. On the other, there was the need to find a new facility to open within a few months. The compromise was that the new school, though supported by the old Highfield constituency, would have a new name, Hillcrest, but keep the motto, and the school crest.

The actual purchase was only closed ten days before school opened!

In the fall of 1920, the new school opened with some 60 boys, Mr. Heaven, and Miss Burton. As the new Chairman, Mr. Kirwin Martin repeatedly pointed out at the annual prize givings, Hillcrest was only a temporary solution to the rebuilding of a new successor for Highfield.



Hillcrest School, north-west corner of Main and Queen Streets

# Hillcrest School

1920 - 1922

**O**n Tuesday, September 14th, 1920, at 10:00 a.m. Hillcrest School, under the direction of Mr. Heaven, assisted by Miss Burton and Mr. Wishart, opened its doors to some 60 boys. The records of this era are quite thin perhaps because these were to be temporary facilities until the school could be relocated and the records caught up later.

From the early '20s the trustees sought the Ainslie family property in Westdale. Mr. Heaven made it very clear that the goals of the new school were tied intimately to the old. Preparation for RMC and university continued to be the main academic focus, with a strong program for public speaking added to the compulsory sports activities.

Clearly there was some considerable scrambling to put everything together and to make ends meet, but teams carried on with the hockey team defeating Ridley on strong performances by the Heaven brothers, Bernard and Boyd with Bethune on the wing, Barnes and O'Reilly on defence, and Taylor in goal. The tradition of having the Lieutenant-Governor and his wife, the Clarks, as Guests of Honour for Prize Day carried on. While the Clarks were indisposed at the last moment, Sir John Gibson again came to the rescue. The gracious grounds of Highfield gave way to those of the Hendrie's *Towers Estate* for the ceremonies. It must have been with considerable satisfaction that Sir John Hendrie and Mr. Heaven looked

down at the school that, under considerable adversity, had 'carried on'.

We are very fortunate to have a picture of the school in 1922 (see next page) with many of the boys identified, thanks to the kind help of Ross Dixon. We also have the names of the athletic champions who were Bernard Heaven, junior champ, and Will Acres, senior champ.

On the academic side, Geoff Smith won the Governor-General's Medal. It also seems to be the start of co-education with Gwyneth Heaven the first girl at the school. She gave the boys a good run during her stay in the early years.

According to her classmate, Bill Shambrook, Gwyneth was the leading academic light of the class.



*Will Acres*



*Ross Dixon*



*Boyd Heaven*



*Bernard Heaven*



*Gwyneth Heaven*



*At the corner of Queen and Aberdeen Streets, selling orange juice to raise money for the Spectator Fresh Air Camp. Left to right: Ross Dixon, Boyd Robertson, John Shea, Eleanor Simpson, and Jimmy Bostwick*

# Hillcrest School



## **Hillcrest School Photo, 1922**

*Back row: ?, ?, Whitten, Latchford, Basil Southam, ?, ?, ?, ?, right of pillar: Boyd Heaven, ?, Jerry Carscallen, Don Innes, Bernard Heaven, Lang, Brooker, ?, ?, ?, second last St. Clair Balfour, ?*

*Middle row: David Ambrose, Fred Smith, Gibb, Marshall Clelland, Bill Shambrooke, Moodie, Steve Ambrose, Webb, Dalley, ?, ? left of Mr. Heaven, ?, ?, Hand, Alworth, Fred Southam, Martin*

*Front row: ?, ?, Hugh Hand, Ambrose, older Hand, Will Acres, Mr. Wishart, Miss Burton, Gwyneth Heaven, Mr. Heaven, McClellan, Charlton, Stewart, Lawrence Linklater, Whitten, Ross Dixon, ?, Thos King, Hubert Martin, O'Reilly, ?*

*Many thanks to Fred Martin '29 and Ross Dixon '30 for the information in this photograph.*

# Hillcrest School

1922 - 1923

Although the school had lost its boarding population and nearly half of its day boys, the dedicated families continued their strong support. The list of prize givers includes many familiar names: Ambrose, Balfour, Bell, Campbell, Carscallen, Champ, Dalley, Dixon, Douglas, Ferrie, Gibson, Haslett, Hendrie, Holton, Lucas, Martin, Moodie, Shambrooke, Smith, and Southam.

While the school had very limited property, it was blessed by the neighbouring HAAA grounds, a splendid and renewed city sports facility. A full day's activities saw John Linklater win the senior championship, with Langs winning the junior division.

Prize Giving was held on the lawns of Lt. Col. Gor-

don Henderson's Duke Street estate, *'Idlewyld'*. The Colonel must have been particularly pleased to see his son, Donald, awarded the Governor-General's Medal as the top student.

Meantime, the Old Boys of Highfield were very active in town. In hockey, they defeated Eaton's 8-4 in the Senior city league. Touted as the best game of the season, Lennard and Heaven (must have been a 'ringer') scored early, Heaven producing a hat trick, and Drynan and Lennard each with a pair. It may also be of interest to note that Hamilton actually had a professional hockey team at the time - tickets at 50 cents, \$1.00 and \$1.50.

More seriously, the year also marked the return of John Collinson for the dedication of a memorial

to the 37 fallen Highfield heroes (G.F. Glassco, died in 1919, and G.M. Pirie in 1920, as a result of injuries). In an impressive ceremony at the Armouries, the mates of the fallen convened: Captain, the Reverend C. J. Stuart, MC, Major Everett Bristol, CMG, Mr. Collinson, Col. F.G. Malloch, MC, Major Colin Gibson, MC, Capt. F.P.L. Washington, Col. C.V. Grantham, Capt. J.D. Scott, Major H. D. Fearman, DSO, and Lieutenants H.E. Dowding, H.W. Wardrope, and G.C. Matheson. How recently they were all happy school-boys.

Major Everett Bristol, CMG (Highfield Old Boy) made this comment concerning his fallen mates:

*'The ideals which under-*

*lay the whole nature of these boys, that had been bred in their bones, fostered in their homes, and stimulated at school: the ideals of honour and truth and justice were being attacked and trampled on... There is still poverty, misery and injustice at home and abroad. Let the spirit of chivalry and self-sacrifice which animated these brave souls, inspire us to do our part to lend a helping hand to those less fortunate than ourselves, and to strike at evil hypocrisy and injustice wherever we see them.'*

*'Sauviter hi pueri leri viam':* cheerfully these boys went the way of death. It was to have been the war to end all wars, but this ideal was lost in the 'Roaring Twenties'.

It would return.

**The Advisory Board,  
or  
Board of Governors,  
as it is known  
today, comprised:**

E.K.G. Martin, Chair

H.S. Ambrose

W.J. Southam

Archdeacon Renison

St. Clair Balfour

J.W. King

G. Henderson

C.V. Langs

W.H. Cleland

P. Ford-Smith



Major Everett Bristol, CMG

# Hillcrest School

1923 - 1924



Hubert Martin



Stephen Ambrose



St. Clair Balfour

The school started the year with a full enrolment of 54 boys and

one girl - completely full enrolment. Too full. A larger facility was mandatory.

Despite this, the year went very well, with the Heaven boys and daughter setting

the pace in both sports and academics. Bernard won the senior championship at sports day, with his brother Boyd excelling, too.

But the real news of the year was the extraordinary achievement of the young Philip Smith. He won the junior championship at sports day, and then walked away with the Governor-General's Medal for highest academic achievement in the school.

Others gaining great distinction were James Campbell winning the Smye Cup, and Charles Lens, Ross Dixon, Hubert Martin, William Holton and Stephen Ambrose performing with academic distinction.



Back row: John Yeates, John T. Bell, Henry Carscallen, William Southam, St. Clair Balfour, Stuart Martin, John Counsell  
Middle row: Archibald Olmsted, Richard Dewhurst, Miss Alice Burton, Strathearn Thompson, Terrence O'Reilly  
Front row: Donald Innes, Francis H. Whitton, John Hand, George Lucas

# Hillcrest School

1924 - 1925

Almost all of our written information for Hillcrest comes from reports in *The Hamilton Spectator*, and we are grateful that the record was kept. Even there, alas, there are gaps, and the year 1924-25 is one. We do know that Bernard Heaven won the Governor-General's medal.

We also have two pictures, however, one from the entrepreneurs of Aberdeen

Avenue, and the other a picture of unidentified juniors.

There is also an interesting single clipping describing the progress of the school in that this year marked the start of the Hillcrest Old Boys' Association. Its first meeting was held at the school, with Hamilton Boyd elected president, Donald Henderson, secretary and Geoffrey Heaven, treasurer.



*Football Team, 1925*

Back row: Mr. Wishart, F. McKune, L. Taylor, H. Hand, G. Harvey, Mr. McLellan  
Middle row: W. McNichol, P. Osborne, R. Moodie, H. Rice (capt.) H. Martin, H. Lennox, E. Allworth  
Front row: M. Jarvis, J. Hand, F. Whitton, M. Cleland, G. Levy

*"Hillcrest Hockey of '25.*

*Back row, second... sake's alive!*

*A threat to the Canadiens?*

*No, not yet.*

*But, full of vigor you can bet.*

*Some faces you will recognize*

*As a team, it takes the prize."*

• *The poem and photo (right) are from H.P. (Bing) Kelley's own album*



*Hockey Team, 1925*

Back row: Doug Cleland, Bing Kelley, Paul Kompass, Ken Bell, ?, ?, Jim Young, Pat Bankier, ?  
Front row: Cam Harder, Ross Martin, ?, ?, Fred Martin



*A group shot of unidentified juniors*

# Hillcrest School

1925 - 1926



Back row: Walter Gibb, John Alden, - Thompson, - Jarvis, Frank Witton, Hubert Martin, Ed Allworth, George Harvey, John Hand, Hugh Hand, Harold Rice, Peter Osborne, Harvey Lennox, Bud Levy, Terence O'Reilly, Tom King  
Fifth row: William Burrill, John Proctor, Lawrence Webb, Murray Proctor, Wallace McNichol, C. Stuart  
Fourth row: Rev. C. A. Heaven (Headmaster), Stephen Ambrose, Norm Thomson, Chas. Doolittle, Ridley Doolittle, Gerald Carscallen, Len Thomas, David Ambrose, William Holton, Jim Webb-Smith, Mr. McLelland, Mr. Wishart  
Third row: Pat Bankier, Ned Colquhoun, Jim Young, Doug Cleland, Herb Ford-Smith, Phil Ambrose, Eric Eastwood, H. Bull, Jim Langs, Arch Greene, Jim Kerr  
Second row: John Robinson, Ross Dixon, Miss Overend, Miss Burton, Ken Bell, Frank Gibson, George Robinson, Fred Smye, Paul Kompass  
Front row: Jim Beasley, Jim Bostwick, Fred Martin, Kenneth Hamilton, Calder Cleland, Robert Christie, N.H. Tayler, Tom Langs, Cam Harder, John Gibson, Howard Binkley

This year is rather well documented with a picture from the fall of 1925, happily with names, and a picture of the rugby team (see previous page) also with names.

On the fields, Ross Dixon must have set a record for championships, as he won his first of three annual junior championships this year. He was closely followed by Gerry Carscallen. On the senior side George Taylor won the Smye Cup as champion, but not without serious challenges from several contenders, with Jack Langs, Hubert Martin, Peter Osborne, George Harvey and Frank McKune all very much

in the running.

Again, the Hendersons at 'Idlewylde' hosted Prize Giving, with Mr. Kirwan Martin in the chair, and two bishops, Broughall and Newnham as guests of honour. It is reported that the boys were especially well-behaved, as the bishops were backed up not only by their Head, The Reverend Mr. Heaven, but also by the ever-present The Reverend Dr. Renison, rector of the Church of the Ascension.

The day went very well, with Hubert Martin taking the Governor-General's Medal for top student. It is interesting to note that Norman Thomson, later Bursar of Hillfield, is recorded as winning several coveted prizes. To round off his splendid year, Ross Dixon won the top academic honours for his Form 3 year.

# Hillcrest School

1926 - 1928

Again we have thinly documented years, but we know that John Constable carried off the Governor-General's Medal on the academic side.

From the reports on sports day, George Harvey took top senior honours and Ross Dixon repeated his junior win.

Fred T. Smye, MP made a bid for support for the coming election by requesting a half holiday for the boys. Mr. Heaven had to consider seriously the request, but

after putting the idea to the boys for a vote, he happily concurred.

Again the Old Boys came to the aid in identifying the faces in the 1927-28 photo of the school (see next page), particularly Colin

Lazier, later the Honourable, and Fred Martin (absent from the picture). Interesting also to note is Ramsey Evans, later member of the Board, and Bud McKay, later to be a key Board Chair, and Ted Leather, later Sir Edwin, College Patron. Colin and Ted won

the three legged race!

On the fields, Jim Langs captured the junior championship, and George Harvey emerged with the Smye Cup for senior champion. Wally McNichol won the Governor-General's Medal. Other winners having names with a familiar ring included George Mills, Tom Langs and David Fensom. Ross Dixon won the special prize for useful and unselfish sportsmanship, given by Percy Ford-Smith.

During the Prize Giving ceremonies, Mr. Martin, Chairman of the Board, reiterated yet again the need for new facilities, and said the Board was considering a west end property to house triple the present enrolment of about 60 boys.

Ross Dixon remembers headmaster Heaven, or 'Rooster' as he was called by the boys, as a serious and dedicated man. Miss Burton had come from Highfield, and Arthur Wishart, and later Norvel

Waddington, and one other teacher rounded out the staff. Others joined as the school grew. Sports were the highlight, and Bob Moodie was the main rugby attack to Ross' quarter.

The Twenties roared on.

HILLCREST SCHOOL HAMILTON			
Report for <i>Christmas</i> Term <i>8</i> Jan 1928			
Name <i>Dixon</i> Form <i>2A</i>			
No. in Class	Subject	Percentage	Rank
10	Reading		
	Writing		
	Spelling	82	1
	Dictation		
	Eng. Grammar		
	Composition		
	Civil Composition	77	2
	Mathematics		
	Literature	74	3
	History: English		
	History: Canadian		
	History: Ancient		
	Geography		
	Latin		
	Algebra		
14	Arithmetic	66	3 (Tied for 1st)
10	Geometry	61	5 (Tied for 1st)
	Chemistry		
	Physics	62	6
	Latin: Prose	55	2, 4
	Latin: Verse	70	2
10	French: Prose	67	3 (Tied for 1st)
10	French: Verse	61	4 (Tied for 1st)
Days Absent <i>15</i>		Times Late <i>1</i>	
Conduct <i>Excellent</i>		Rank <i>3 (1st)</i>	
Remarks <i>Working well</i>			
SCHOOL RE-OPENS ON		AT 8 O'CLOCK	

Ross Dixon's Report Card from 1928



# Hillcrest School



Back row: Ker, Beasley, Langs, Dixon, Garson, McNichol, Moncur, Lennox, Carscallen, Thompson, Thomson, Thomson, ?, Levy, ?, Hallam, Doolittle, Hand, Harvey  
Middle row: Southam, Douglas, Currie, Hill, ?, Binkley, Garson, ?, ?, Alden, Cleland, Smye, Fensom, Ambrose, Christie, Langs, ?, ?, Greene, ?, Ambrose, Thomas  
Front row: Lazier, Moffat, Goddard, Evans, Pigeon, McKay, Leather, Mr. McLelland, Mr. Waddington, Miss Burton, Rev. Heaven, Mr. Smith, ?, Harder, Mills, Mills, Kerr, Lang, Sweeney, Slee, Morrison, Owen, Maynard

# Under the Magnificent Spell - 1923 - 1931

## *The Magic of Miss Virtue and Miss Fitzgerald*

In the most positive of ways, the magic spell woven by the founders of Strathallan School entranced the families and young girls and women of Hamilton for a quarter of a century. Miss Virtue was already an experienced headmistress when she arrived in the city. She was upright and confident with the girls, and created a persona that was awesome yet profoundly caring. She attended to the academic and religious side of school life, while Miss Fitzgerald fuelled the creative side from her Playhouse in the garden, taught a home room class in the Junior School, and supervised the arrangements for daily living and learning.

We know much more of Miss Virtue than of Miss Fitzgerald. Miss Virtue registered her home as Stanley Bank, Crieff, Perthshire, Scotland, when she arrived to teach at Havergal College in 1908. Her family clearly had some means, as she completed a Cambridge Honours Entrance Certificate from school, and went on to



*Miss Janet Virtue*

Edinburgh to complete her Cambridge Teachers' Diploma from St. George's College. From there, she went to the continent to complete the *Diploma de la Langue et Literature Francaises*. While studying abroad, she did the usual student walking tours, and once, while hiking in the Black Forest in Germany, her party encountered the Kaiser on a similar hike! Both bowed and moved on.

She clearly made a great impression in Toronto, and through the



*Miss Eileen Fitzgerald*

Havergal girls from Hamilton, and especially Mrs. Florence 'Toots' Gibson, wife of the Colonel, she made her first connection with their hometown. At a St. Andrew's Ball, the height of the Toronto social season, she found her name on the dance program of Colonel Hendrie, and he was so taken with her that he introduced her to his wife, and the connection was made.

Meanwhile, in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, Bishop Newnham and



*Col. The Hon. C.W.G. Gibson  
Chairman of Strathallan 1923-1940*

his wife were raising a family of five daughters and needed a Headmistress for their new St. Alban's School. One of the girls was Letitia Jackman's '40 mother. Miss Virtue heard the call and went. She was a great hit, and on her resignation from the School they honoured her with a glowing tribute and a gold watch, a rare gift in those days. Reflecting on her next move, she kept thinking of Hamilton, and by coincidence, the Hamilton families were thinking of her.

The Misses Grant's school had just closed, and there was no local option evident. The Hamilton families met at the office of Colin Gibson to make

plans.

Miss Virtue and Miss Fitzgerald met at St. Alban's. Miss Fitzgerald, N.F.U., graduated from the famous

Cheltenham Ladies' College with the Higher Certificate, and then went on to earn a certificate at the London Academy of Music, winning a medal in elocution.

With the reconnection to the Hamilton families, and great encouragement from Mr. Collinson, the Founders moved to Hamilton in the early summer of 1923 and looked for a suitable facility for the school. They brought with them very impressive credentials, and the

school colours from St. Alban's, green and mauve for the prairie crocus. They had an impressive founding advisory team. Colin Gibson, the hero of Highfield, was the Chairman right through to 1940, and the founding patrons were: Lady Gibson and Lady Hendrie, Mrs. J.P. Bell, Mrs. C.E. Doolittle, Mrs. William Hendrie who maintained her patronage throughout the founders' term, Mrs. S.O. Greening, Mrs. Olmstead, and Mrs. Colin Gibson.

From their temporary quarters at the YWCA, the Founders investigated properties and potential teachers for the fall. In July, they purchased a house at 15 Robinson St. for \$17,000, with \$4,000 of their own money, \$3,000 from friends and a \$10,000 mortgage. These were considerable sums in those days, and certainly showed the courage and determination of the pair. They owned Strathallan School.

Just to complete the financial side of the story under the Founders, a non-share, non-profit corporation

was established in 1931, the depth of the Depression, whereby the corporation would lease the property for the annual sum of \$3000. Miss Virtue and Miss Fitzgerald were given \$5000 combined salary, and \$10,000 insurance policy in lieu of pension.

By 1937, the enrolment had fallen by 33% from its height in 1929 of over 200 students. A board of Governors was created to help increase both the enrolment and fees, which were raised some 10% for the senior girls to the annual fee of \$225. By 1946, the debt had been virtually eliminated, and some significant improvements to the facilities made, but the Heads' income had been reduced from the annual \$8,000 owed to \$2,240. The next year, the Board bought the school from Miss Virtue and Miss Fitzgerald and paid up the insurance policy. Mrs. William Hendrie was particularly concerned about the Founders' retirement and made a special visit to Miss Virtue's sister in the UK who agreed to provide for her sister in her will.

*Early supporters of Strathallan:*

*Miss Fitzgerald, Lady Bessborough, Miss Virtue, Mrs. William Hendrie (upper right), Mrs. L. Olmsted, Miss C. McBride, Mrs. C.S. Wilcox, and Mrs. C.M. Doolittle*



# Strathallan School



Up and across the top from Miss MacDonald: Miss Fitzgerald, Miss Virtue, Mrs. Hendrie, Mary Belle Milne, Audrey Lees, Helen Peacock, Marion Wilson  
Up and across the banister from Edith Walker, Dee Dee ?, Betty Green, Mary Wigle, Gladys Linkert, Pooh Mathieson, Lucy Dumoulin, Mary Moodie, Peggy Glasco, Marnie Bruce, Evelyn Mathieson, Bubs Black, Lillian Mills  
Across the row from Mrs Greenlees, Jane Hare, Martha Magore, Clarebelle Holton, Margaret Elwell, June Magor, Ann Counsell, Mary Holton, ? Donald, Aldyth McLaren, Mary Yates, Margaret Brennan, Betty Holton, May Mathieson, Jane Wilcox, Muriel Bostwick, Miss Grinstead, Mrs. Campbell  
Across the row from Monnie Moncur, Diane Champ, Marnie Holton, Mary Southam, Sheila Bull, Helen Allen, Mabel Douglas, Doris Cleland  
Across the row from Diana Smith, Beb Southam, Kent Hamilton, Elise Moodie, Jane Counsell, Libby Greening, Peggy Cairns, Betty Campbell, Bea Bell, Lallie Bell, Libby Doolittle or Chubby Couch  
Front row: Betty Ann Anderson, Kay Stanbough, Fanny Hamilton, Marjory Dumoulin, Helen Evans, Elise Moodie, Jean McGregor, Audrey McMillan, Harky Bull, Ted Leather, Molly Green

# Strathallan School

1923 - 1924



Strathallan School



Just after Labour Day 1923, Strathallan School opened its doors to 67 girls in Grades 1 to 8, and 15 young boys and girls in kindergarten. The senior class, Grade 8, or IVa as it was called then, comprised 14 girls, 6 of whom would continue through graduation from Grade 12, the final year during Miss Virtue and Miss Fitzgerald's tenure. Two other members

of staff served through the Founders' complete tenure from 1923 through 1948: Miss Fiennes-Clinton and Miss Edith Grinstead, the latter completing a record 43 years under five headships!

The goal of the school, or what we would now call the mission statement, came from Miss Virtue in two forms. The first is a story she told concerning a ferocious

aunt dragging her niece before a stern Scottish headmistress and demanding that she *'take this rawgerl and make a lady of her'.*

The second comes from the

school brochure: *'By tradition, the girls of Strathallan are committed to the ideals of service: each one is expected to enlist heartily in the work of the school, accepting the obligations of loyal co-operation between teachers and pupil, and preserving and extending the spirit of democracy.'*



For thirteen hundred years, or more, this Parrot was unnamed, They mostly called him pretty Poll, so we shall not be blamed. But when he came to live with us, we soon decided that Our Parrot should have one true name, "and that," said Dad, "is flat."

For many a weary week we thought and pondered over names, "Philip—Johnny—that won't do," we nearly burst our brains. Then one fine day our brother tall turned on the radio, "What awful static!" said our sister, "I am going to go."

"Static", thought the Parrot as he sat up on his perch, "Static", said the Parrot as he gave a sudden lurch. "Static," screamed the Parrot as he fell down to the ground. "Static," said the family, "At last your name is found!"

S. Bull VIIb.



Janie Holton

# Strathallan School

## The Two 'Lifers' and the Early Years

We know little of the background of art teacher, Miss Fiennes-Clinton outside her life at the schools. She taught at Strathallan, Hillcrest and Hillfield for a quarter of a century. One of her former Strath students remembers her as being a pleasant and creative person, who ran the classes without much control. Nonetheless, the students learned to draw according to the principles of the Royal Drawing Society, and the annual results from the girls' submissions were impressive.

Of Miss Edith Grinstead we know much more. She dedicated her life to Strath, right through to its move to the Mountain, and then some. Next to the Founders, she was the strongest and most respected teacher in the school. Educated in mathematics at Bedford College,

she went on to teach in York, England, and then worked in an investment house in London. She was not certain that she wanted to continue teaching, but finding herself in Hamilton in the late summer of 1923, she appeared in the waiting room at 15 Robinson St. for an interview with Miss Virtue and Miss Fitzgerald. They were looking for someone who would stay with them! She did, and then some - 43 years with perfect attendance.

While her main subject was math, Miss Grinstead also taught Scripture, Grammar, Sewing, Geography and Canadian History, as well as occasionally doing bookkeeping and secretarial work for the Heads. Looking back on her years at Strath, she said, *'I admire anyone who does a good job and does it modestly and capably.'* Of teaching she

said, *'Know your subject thoroughly! Don't just keep one day ahead. And then, love your pupils. Be fond of them. That gets across, you know.'* And it certainly did for her and her students.

The Headmistresses sensibly started their school for only the elementary years, kindergarten through Grade 8. From the first year enrol-

ment of 67 girls and 15 boys and girls in kindergarten, the start of the 1925-1926 year enrolment rose to 129 girls from Grade 1 up, and 22 kindergarten pupils. By 1928-1929, the enrolment had grown to an impressive 186 girls with a further 18 boys and girls in the kindergarten.



Miss Edith Grinstead



Drawing by Miss Fiennes-Clinton



# Strathallan School

## The First Graduation Class

When Strath opened, there were 14 girls in Form IVa, or Grade 8. As they progressed each year through highschool, other girls joined the class and some left before graduation.

Of those who started on Day 1, two graduated in 1928:

- Lallie Bell
- Aldyth McLaren

Three more graduated in 1929:

- Greta (Margaret) Black
- Betty Campbell
- May Matheson

Among those who entered later, the following also graduated in 1929:

- Molly Broughall
- Vyvian Hamilton
- Marg Owen

• Helen Peacock  
• Mary Yeates

In these years, the girls graduated from Strathallan with Junior Matriculation after Grade 12. Many of them went on for a year to other schools for their Senior Matriculation, often to Havergal College in Toronto, Miss Virtue's old school.

The earliest *Pibroch* magazine dates from 1929, the year after the first graduation class. Already there were reports of the Old Girls, the most famous being Lallie Bell

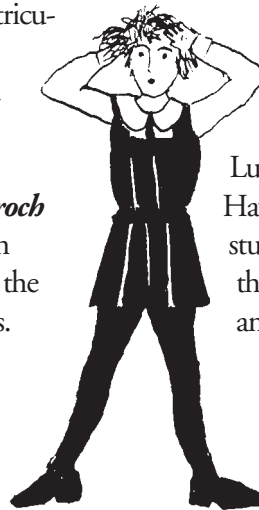
(Robertson), who after a year at Havergal, went on to St. Hugh's College, Oxford and then to Radcliffe.

Others were at various stages of education and life, from the debutants

Bebe Southam  
(Thompson-Milne),  
Liz Greening, Betty  
Holton and Mary

Lucas, to the contingent at Havergal. Still others were studying at St. Hilda's and the U of T, in England and in United States.

A remarkable diversity.



# THE POET

### ORIGINAL RIDDLES

1. I am something we get when cold.  
Behead me and I am a small mountain.  
Behead me again and I am sick.
2. I am something which some ladies have.  
Behead me and I do hurt.  
Behead me again and I am part of the body.
3. I am a map.  
Behead me and I am a stag.  
Behead me again and I am what artists make.
4. I am odd.  
Behead me and I am not odd.  
Curtail me and I am evening.
5. I am a piece of furniture.  
Behead me and I give protection to the body.  
Behead me again and I am something made up of gases.
6. I do this when I am twisted.  
Behead me and I may prick you.  
Behead me again and I am a preposition.
7. First of all I'm a vessel's mouth.  
Behead me and I'm a sulky child's action.  
Behead me again and I am an adverb.

B. Chubbuck and M. Braden, Vb.

### ANSWERS:

1. Chill.
2. Charm
3. Chart
4. Seven
5. Chair
6. Spin
7. Spout



Peggy Glassco



Greta (Margaret) Black



Betty Campbell



Marg Owen



Marion Smith



Holly Stitt



Audrey Howell



Elizabeth Campbell



Frances Moodie



A. McDougall



H. Westaway

# Strathallan School

## *The Boys of Strathallan: Some Years On*

Strathallan School started with seven young boys, including Harky Bull who attended the Strath 75th, and Ted Leather, now Sir Edwin and a Patron of HSC. Ken Hamilton, Peter Douglas, George Mills, Cam Harder and Paul Kompass filled out the contingent.

In the early years there was a steady stream of young boys. Indeed by 1931, some 127 in all had attended kindergarten at Strathallan. They would stay for the year and then go on to Hillcrest or Hillfield.

Bebe Southam remembers her task was to pick up young Teddy Leather on her way down from *'Inglewood'*. To do so, she would have to pick him up on the opposite side of James St. South, then walk back across and down past the main cross street, Herkimer. Her job was to teach him to stop and look both ways before crossing the street.

She remembers this as a challenge, but one successfully surmounted. This would come in handy when he was later training paratroopers for World War II!

From among these young boys came an amazing leadership, not only for Hillfield-Strathallan, but also for the community. Sir Edwin 'Ted' Leather and The Honourable Mr. Justice Colin Lazier are both Patrons of HSC, and Colin has also been the president of the Old Boys' Association and Chairman of the Board of Governors. Other Chairs include Gord Hamilton, Bud McKay, George Parke, and Chick Holton. Colin Gibson and John Morison both went on to Ottawa as MP's, and Rannie Evans, 'Herb' Ingraham, Luther Holton, and David Ker all have served on the College Board of Governors.

Angus Scott, who had a very

short stay at Strath, went on to the Headship of Trinity College School, Port Hope. Angus is the son of Cheever Scott, the star of Highfield and Chairman of the Board of Hillfield. At the appropriate age, Angus and his brother Douglas went off to Strathallan. One day, about a month or so into the term, Angus went home from school very excited about something that had happened and ran to his father saying, *'Me and the other girls...'* That was as far as he got. Next day he was attending Hillfield!!

From the Strath records, there were no boys registered in the kindergarten the following year, 1930, and that may have been connected to the incident, but probably more related to the Great Depression which took some third of Strathallan's enrolment and investment. And of course, Hillfield had just opened in Westdale.

### AT THE 75th REUNION Spring 1998



Harky Bull



Bud McKay



Colin Gibson



Angus Scott



Doug Booth



Bill Balfour



David Ker



Chick Holton



Kerr Gibson



Colin Lazier

# Strathallan School

1928 - 1929

The first classes graduated in June 1928 and June 1929, and we are fortunate to have a picture of the Class of '29 showing Peggy Glassco as School Captain, Betty Campbell and Greta Black as the two Strath 'originals', and the famous Fanny Moodie in the back row.

With support from their advisors and patrons, the Founders had built a school of 186 full day girls and 15 kindergarten pupils. That is a remarkable feat at any

time, in any place.

And as continued to be the case over the years, it was not just the headmistresses or the academic staff that built the caring environment. Betty Valance Newlands '34 remembers with great affection the caretaker, St. Clair, a thorough Scot. Betty was driven to school by her father who occasionally forgot to pick her up. St. Clair found her waiting, sound asleep, and he called Mr. Valance, *'You've forgotten wee Betty!'* He clearly had the big picture of caretaking.

It may well be that the strong start and even stronger foundations for the future carried the school through the rough times of the Great Depression. Our story now moves on to that era.



*Form VIa - 1929*

*Back row: M. Owen, F. Moodie*

*Third row: A. Howell, M. Smith, A. McDougall*

*Second row: H. Stitt, P. Glassco (School Captain) E. Campbell*

*Front row: M. Bruce, H. Westaway, G. Black*



*The Right Honourable William Lyon  
Mackenzie King, Prime Minister*

# Strathallan School - The Depression Years

1929 - 1931

The families of Hamilton had established firm connections in both Toronto and Ottawa, starting with Lord and Lady Aberdeen, and continuing into more modern times with the visits of their Honours John Black Aird and Lincoln Alexander, two recent Lieutenant-Governors of Ontario.

In 1930, it was Lord and Lady Willington, the vice regal party from Ottawa. In his remarks to the girls, His Lordship echoed the general feeling about the school, stating that it was *'remarkable that such a fine school has developed in such a short time.'*

A strong house system had developed over the years starting with the four familiar houses of today, and in the 1929-30 year adding a new house, Strathdee. The junior girls belonged to 'tribes' for their activities. Leading the students were Katherine Walker, Head Girl, and Mary Wigle, the senior sports champ. Mig DuMoulin (Ross) was intermediate champ with Ann Beasley winning the junior title. The Dux Medal for top

scholar went to Margaret Ann Brierly. Strathearn won the Yeates Shield for the top house.

Many will sympathize as Betty Greene (Meuser) recalls her personal experience with every student's nightmare. At the annual gym display, as the shortest girl, she was the front student. When the order to turn left was given to the students, Betty didn't hear it and to her horror was the only one marching off to the right! There but for...

By now there were 'Old Girls' off at university, nursing and other pursuits, and they organized into the Old Girls' Association. In 1930, Betty Holton was elected president. The annual spring teas held by Miss Virtue and Miss Fitzgerald for the leaving class and Old Girls was eagerly anticipated by all.

Strong leadership from the Headmistresses, the Chairman, Colin Gibson, and the Patrons carried the school through the second year of the Depression with a loss of only 14 full-time students. In fact, the graduating

class was actually larger than the previous year. Unfortunately we do not have many of the records for this year, but we do know that Betty Greene was School Captain. Backing her up were the prefects, Mona Carswell, Peggy Pratt, Mary Powell, Marjory Broadhead and Betty Burrill.

Colonel Colin Gibson  
Chair of the Board



Rounders Team

Back row: Mary Zimmerman, Betty Greene, Kay Walker, ?, Elizabeth Rally  
Front row: Barbara Powis, ?

# News of the World

*and News of Hamilton ca. 1930*

**T**he great market crash of 1929 and the subsequent Great Depression were global phenomena. If World War I signalled the end of political reason in the West, the Depression signalled the end of economic reason. The old order collapsed and the new, however temporary, emerged behind radical socialism as in Roosevelt's New Deal and Stalin's collectivism, or military totalitarianism as in Spain, Germany, Italy and Japan. Britain had still to adjust to the enor-

mous economic drain from the war, the loss of world economic leadership, and staggering unemployment.

The League of Nations effectively lost what little credibility it had left when it bungled the mediation of the Manchuria dispute between Japan and China. Into this vacuum of global leadership and consensus, communism and fascist totalitarianism would vie with constitutional free enterprise, though the latter modified with heavy progressive components, to elicit the support

of their constituents. It was not at all clear what the most intelligent path was. Only the military totalitarians had an active game plan, and it was directly headed towards another world war. On the constitutional side, only Winston Churchill raised his voice. The rest were satisfied to appease.

For Canada, the Statute of Westminster ceded all internal and external matters from Britain to Canada in 1931.

Further to the issue of recognition, at the end of the decade in 1929, the Privy Council ruled that women were, indeed, 'persons' and therefore could be appointed to the Canadian Senate. Cairine Wilson was the first woman appointed in 1930.

The advances of socialism in the early years of the century were given more strength by the appalling conditions of famine and unemployment. In Canada, Tim Buck preached communism, but he was charged with sedition for his views. Others promoted socialistic measures, but R.B. Bennett, who won the 1930 election for the Conservatives, created repressive Relief Camps for the unemployed, and he would

serve only one term.

The late Twenties had been boom times for Hamilton, and some of the momentum carried through into the early Thirties. Premier Howard Ferguson opened the new airport, and a \$1,000,000 coal dock opened in Hamilton Harbour. The new CNR station opened in 1930, blessed by Bishop Owen, and the new Baker telephone exchange introduced Hamiltonians to 'dialing' phone numbers.

The stock market crash of October 1929 hit Hamilton very hard indeed, with some 30% of the work force laid off. Our two schools suffered sharp enrolment declines that would not recover until after the war, even though they would gain some students with the war refugees. It was not uncommon for the teachers and Heads, already poorly paid, to take two cuts in salaries of 30% each before conditions stabilized. The amazing fact was that they survived at all. The reason for the success was the solid leadership from the three Heads, support from key members of the community and the incredible loyalty of the staffs.



Opening Day Ceremonies in Civic Stadium for the British Empire Games, forerunner of the Commonwealth Games, Saturday, August 16, 1930, with King George Public School on Gage Avenue North in background  
Clifford Cope

# The Model Preparatory School for Boys 1929 - 1940

## Hillfield School

**W**e declare this stone well and truly laid.' With these words, two 6-year-olds, Colin Gibson Jr. and Hugh Hendrie (the grandsons of the two former Lieutenant-Governors), assisted by the new Headmaster, Arthur F. Killip, and members of the Board and community, launched the new school. The stone was engraved with the motto *Velle est Posse* and so continued the tradition started by Highfield and carried on through Hillcrest.

Thus Hillfield led the way to Westdale just before McMaster University and Westdale Collegiate joined them. Once again, the generosity and patronage of the Gibson family came to the school's rescue. The Gibsons had come upon the estate of the late Col. Robert Ainslie, a property at the end of Aberdeen Ave. facing Highway #2, or Main St. today. At the instigation of Col. Colin Gibson, Sir John and Lady Gibson agreed to a generous grant of land, including Col. Ainslie's house.

*The Hamilton Spectator* described the property when it was completed in February 1930: 'Standing back some dis-

*tance from the highway, the building presents an imposing appearance. The architect (J.B. Husband) carried out a Georgian feeling through the plans. The brick work has been artistically ornamented with stone trimmings. There are wide corridors on all floors. Throughout the building massive solid oak doors with pine woodwork and trim have been used.'*

The temporary Hillcrest had made it through the '20s, and the heir to Highfield was built.

Leading the new school was Arthur F. Killip, BA, of London, England. Having taken his degree at London University and the British teacher training with honours, he taught at several English schools. When the First World War broke out, he joined up as an officer in the Royal Artillery serving in Italy and Mesopotamia. After the war, and following John Collinson's steps, he came to Canada and joined the staff of Upper Canada College, where he taught both in the Preparatory School and the Upper School.

Killip was a complex educator, schoolmaster and headmaster. Both loved and feared by the boys, he com-

manded enormous respect from the entire community. His commitment was to the boys, and while he never married, he did have a special relationship with a young woman in his early days in North America. He, or she, decided that schoolmastering was not for a married man, and so they parted for half a century. When he was in his early eighties and her husband had passed away, they renewed the relationship and contemplated marriage, but it was not to be.

Killip's loves were Latin, cricket, mathematics and chess, not necessarily in that order. Even into his later years, his "boys", Dr. Dick Farmer chief among them, would stop by for a game of chess. He also hiked with them for hour upon hour on the Bruce Trail.

His philosophy of education was a blend of progressivism housed in very traditional English preparatory school clothing. 'The road to education is not a straight, narrow, thorny path, but a broad, paved highway, an open road on which all may move forward as they will.' He gave long speeches which invariably included his dismay with current educa-

tional practice, as many headmasters of private schools are wont to do. And the boys might have questioned how broad the 'open road' actually was. But like Collinson's Highfield, the academic achievement of the boys was really exceptional.



Arthur Killip

# Hillfield School

1929 - 1930



*Jim Langs*



*G.S. Levy*



*Howard S. Ambrose, Chair*

The Old Boys of Highfield, of whom Colin Gibson was a major force, had kept a separate organization alive during the years of Hillcrest. They kept close ties with the Hillcrest board. Lady Gibson presented the 15 acres of land in memory of Sir John and her three sons, John Gordon, Archibald Hope, and Francis Malloch, each of whom had predeceased her. It was the now Major Colin Gibson who organized the deal. Together, the community gathered the resources to start the new school and build the new facilities.

Major Gibson had arranged for the financing through private subscription to a bond issue and a loan all totaling some \$75,000. It would have been a natural expectation for him to be chairman of the new school, but he was already Chair of Strathallan, and he felt their need was the greater. He agreed to be Vice-

Chairman under Howard S. Ambrose.

The new board consisted of a group of long time supporters of the schools. Kirwan Martin, Lester Husband and Fred Henry offered special help and support to the new Head.

The first year of Hillfield actually opened in the Hillcrest building with Mr. Heaven continuing as Honourary Vice-Principal, Miss Burton and Miss Garrett in the Primary, and Messers Fred Butler, D. H. Millar and Don J. Huxley and Miss Eleanor Fiennes-Clinton assist-

ing. In January, they all removed to the new campus. From the first, a new house system was introduced, there being three, Birches, Pines, and Cedars. The house system was the centre of competition for the boys, and the annual games day the chief event. Jim Langs captured the senior championship in the first year, and Edgar Henry the junior.

The academic honours and the Governor-General's Medal were shared by Edmund Tew and G.S. Levy.



*Cricket Team 1930*

*Back row: G.S. Levy, H.G. Binkley, R.D. Christie, P.H. Douglas, P.J. Ambrose, G.L. Robinson, A.B. Craig  
Front row: J.M. Bostwick, L.D. Thomas, G.G. Carscallen, J.R. Langs, J.F.L. Robinson*

## BOARD OF GOVERNORS

*Howard Ambrose,  
Chair, 1929-1936*

*Major Colin Gibson,  
MC, Vice-Chair*

*C.E. Bull*

*F.A. Dalley*

*C.M. Doolittle*

*R.R. Evans*

*C.W. Gibson*

*L.R. Greene*

*F. Kent Hamilton*

*Commodore W.I.S.  
Hendrie, DSO*

*Russell T. Kelley*

*F.I. Ker*

*S.W.C. Scott*

*W.D. Shambrooke*

*A.E. Taylor*

*G.E.F. Smith, Secretary*

# Hillfield School

1930 - 1932

While information about Hillfield is scanty in the first couple of years, it improves greatly by 1932-33 when the first issue of the *Boar* was published. It was published in December or January, and therefore is sometimes listing teams and champions of two years earlier. Great efforts have been taken to sort it all out, but there could be some cases of a year out here or there.

From 1930-31 there is the football team picture, and a picture of the indefatigable Miss Burton's kindergarten class. In keeping with the progressive history of education in the boys' schools, there were no rows of desks in her classes.

We do know that R.D. Christie was both Head Boy and Captain of Hockey, and that each boy in the leaving

class completed his matrics with honours in every subject.

Now, two years on from both the founding of the school and the stock market crash, the enrolment which was planned originally for about 150 boys, stood at just 86, up from 82 the year previous, but well below a comfortable level. The only way that the school survived was through the generosity of the Board members forgiving the interest on the bonds they had personally issued to help the school.

Bing Kelley remembers his Hillcrest years and Mr. Heaven as *'an approachable head with great interest in the students. Miss Burton was terrific. She had a warm personality, maintained excellent*

*discipline and did not get mad when her students gave 'dumb answers.'* His great friend, Doug Clelland, brought his snappy DeSoto car to school. Sadly, he died of a heart attack only a few years later in 1937.

There were four in the senior class, Howard Binkley, Tom Langs, Jim Bostwick and Bing Kelley. Jimmy Kerr was Senior Champ, and

Cedars won the house championship.

This was also the year that the old Highfield property was sold to the Niblets. The remains of the old mansion were torn down and the present very handsome house built.



Jim Bostwick



Howard Binkley



Tom Langs



"Bing" Kelley



Jimmy Kerr



1st Rugby, 1932

Back row: Mr. D.J. Huxley (Coach), H.P. Kelley, T.E. Langs, J.M. Bostwick, D.J. Clelland, C.C. Tulley, G.L. Robinson, D.J. Moodie, J.W. Kerr, P. Roberts, J.M. Currie, H.G. Binkley  
Front row: G.A. Sweeney, J.G. Levy, N.H. Tayler, B.G. Ross, W.S. Burrill

# Hillfield School

1932 - 1934



Tom Langs



R. McBride



G.L. Robinson



Howard Binkley  
Editor, Boar 1932-33



Walter Burrill  
Editor, Boar 1933-34

The year 1932-33 saw the first edition of the **Boar** published with Howard Binkley as editor. He and Tom Langs returned for the year, and they shared top academic honours. The picture of the rugby team, 1932, shows the leading boys of the year, including Walter S. Burrill, later to be Chairman of Strathallan.

There was no science lab in the new buildings at Hillfield, so the boys went off once a week to Strathallan, third floor, to its lab. Bill and Joyce Young

remember those visits. The boys, the 'Hillfield Girls' more or less ran the gaggling gauntlet, and the girls, made a blushing retreat to the form rooms. This may have been a subject of conversation among the heads of the two schools who met regularly for dinner.

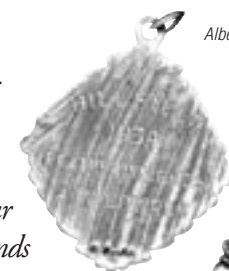
The reports are scant about other things. There were class plays, and Tom Langs won the Smye Cup as senior champ, and R. McBride the junior. G.L. Robinson was rugby captain.

The 1933-34 **Boar** was

dedicated to the Memory of Lady Gibson: *'In the days to come we shall never think of Hillfield without seeing, in our mind's eye, the beautiful grounds in which the buildings stand and thus remembering with gratitude Lady Gibson, who, in the name of her family, presented the whole property as a gift to the School.'*

John Levy led the boys as Head Boy, and Walter Burrill edited the **Boar**. They were particularly fortunate to have as guests of honour for the prize day Lord and Lady Bessborough of Rideau Hall. John Levy replied to His Lordship in flawless Ciceronian Latin, expressing the thanks of the school.

It was also the year that the Old Boys' Association reactivated. Charles Lenz served as president, and there were reports of Lt. Col. Harry Crerar, later General Crerar, at



Albert Bowron's boxing medals from 1933 and 1934



the Imperial Defence College.

Hugh D. (Bungie) Robertson had three paintings accepted for Canada's National Gallery, and Argue and Harold Martin and Herman Levy made the Canadian Lapham Cup squash team to play against Great Britain and the U.S.A.



Rugby in Play

Back row: Tom Langs, Grif Ross, ? (Mr. Killip's house at right side)

Front row: Niels Tayler, John Currie, Jim Bostwick, Bing Kelley, Howard Binkley, Doug Cleland



Governor-General Bessborough on Prize Day

# Hillfield School

1934 - 1935

The yearly routines of the school were firmly in place.

There was a maturing of leadership among the boys. Bill Young won the Governor-General's Medal, and Gordon Sweeney led the sports as captain of both rugby and cricket, and champion of both senior sports and boxing. He led Cedars to house victory. Des Gibson won the senior cross-country, and George Parke the junior. F.S. Ker of the famous publishing family edited the *Boar*.

It was also the year in which Mr. Heaven retired. He had spanned the three schools as only Miss Burton had done, and the Hillcrest Old Boys

gave him a fitting tribute:

*'Mr. Heaven is one of those rare masters who are loved by their pupils and so exert the greatest and best influence on their lives.'*

The Old Boys, too, were organizing under the presidency of Howard Binkley, and a report came back from TCS of Jim Kerr as Head Prefect, Frank Gibson as squash champ, and Ted Leather starring in cricket. At UCC, John Levy and Cam Harder were making serious contributions.

One starts to get the old feeling of Highfield again as the second generation of high achievers comes through.



Class of 1935

Back row: George Mills, F.S. Ker, George Harvey, Gordon Sweeney, Colin Gibson, Ian McNairn

Middle row: Bill Young, Mr. Killip, Colin Lazier

Front row: Richard Goddard, Ramsey Evans



Bill Young  
Governor-General Medalist



Gordon Sweeney



F.S. Ker  
Editor, Boar



Des Gibson



George Parke

# Hillfield School

1935 - 1936



George Parke  
Head Boy



John Barr  
Editor, Boar



Gord Hamilton



Doug Frid



John Hendrie

This was another eventful year in both Hillfield's and Canada's history. First, we had a new, if temporary king, Edward VIII. George V had been a very popular king, as was the monarchy. There were great hopes for the new royal administration.

At Hillfield, the year belonged to George Parke. He was Head Boy, captain of rugby, led Birches to the house title, and won the first scholarship into UCC. He was ably supported by John Barr as editor of the *Boar*, and Gord Hamilton and Doug Frid as captains of hockey and cricket, respectively.

It was this year that the boys switched from Strathallan to McMaster's science labs thanks to the generous sponsorship of Dr. Burke.

Mr. Killip created a whole culture in taking on the boys at chess, often playing two dozen of them at once. This year's

competition was unique in that for the first time a boy, John Hendrie, won his game.

On the broader educational front, this was the Canadian Headmasters Association's first year.

Arthur Killip was a founding member along with, among others, the beloved Joe McCulley of Pickering, Terry MacDermott of UCC, the Ketchum brothers, Ken and Phil of St. Andrews and Trinity, and 'Wanny' Wansbrough of Lower Canada, father of HSC's future headmaster, Barry, and the legend, C.H. Griffith of Ridley, CHA's first Chairman.

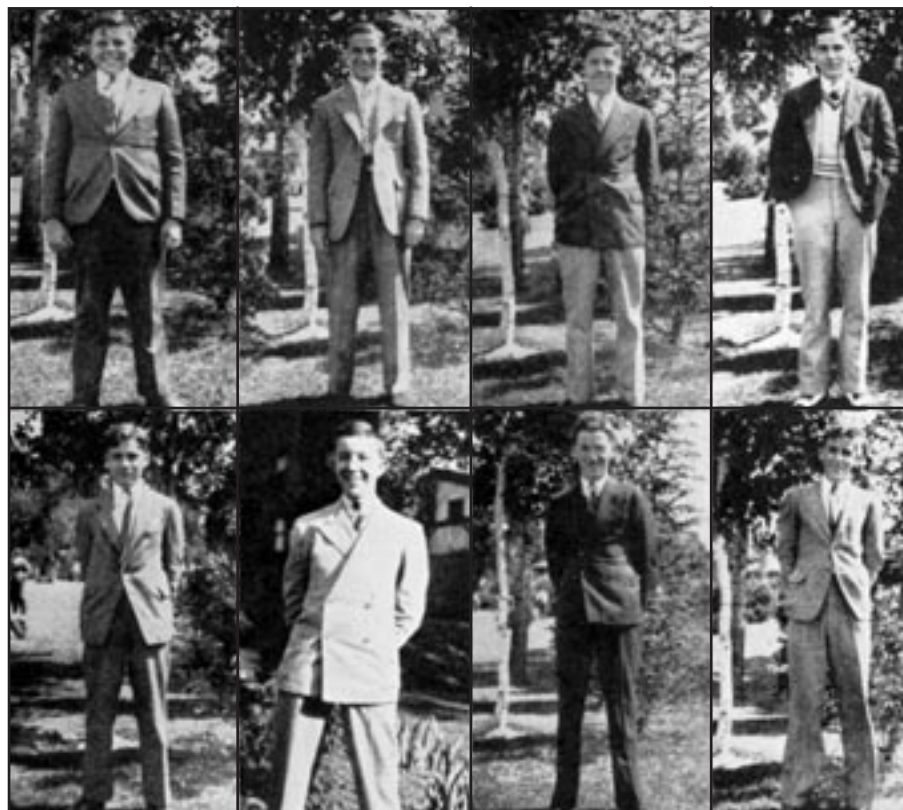
Burke Robertson took on the leadership of the Old Boys, and Gordon Lucas followed Jim Kerr as Head Boy of TCS, with

Ted Leather editing the year-book.

The momentum was building.

## Class of 1936

Back row: R.C. Goddard, G.H. Parke, G.B. Hamilton, J.R. Barr  
Front row: H.J.M. Watson, F.H.M. Ridley, M.B. Holton, D.O. Frid



# Hillfield School

1936 - 1937

With the constitutional crisis in Great Britain resolved in favour of the new King George VI, and his wife, Queen Elizabeth, the Empire looked for better days ahead, even though there were grave political situations both in Europe and Asia.

At Hillfield, new Chairman St. Clair Balfour succeeded Howard Ambrose. The school was thriving educationally and in high reputation, but there were great financial strains resulting from the Depression. Mr. Balfour brought his busi-

ness acumen to bear on this problem.

It was David (Ditz) Ker's year. He was Head Boy, edited the *Boar* (a family tradition), and captained the rugby team.

Despite the challenge of financial security, the program continued to grow impressively. On the drama front, the seniors put on Goldsmith's *She Stoops to Conquer*, starring John Callaghan, Geoff Cudlip, Bill Hatch, Colin Gibson, Bill Balfour and David Ker; John Bell, Esq., Drama Director.

The usual activities unfolded during the year, with Ken Loosely captaining hockey and 'Duster' Robertson cricket, as well as leading Cedars to the House title. On the Old

Boy front, Fred Ker took the lead Nanki Pooch role in *The Mikado* at UCC, with Des Gibson showing excellent form on the track and shooting range. John Levy led a large contingent to the U of T, Scott Burrill went off to McMaster and Bill Young to RMC.

It is also interesting to note that it was not only teachers and boys that exchanged between UCC and Hillfield. Tom Aikman, the grounds-keeper at Hillfield, moved this year to Toronto where he was head of the Upper Canada grounds for well

over a quarter century. A great gentleman, he was the first member of staff from the 'services' side to become a member of the UCC Masters' Common Room.



St. Clair Balfour  
Chair



David Ker



Bill Hatch

**And the school boy tone was echoed by John Frid in his poem, 'Relief':**

*The last day of school is here,  
The last examination,  
Then freedom for a full twelve weeks  
And no more irritation.  
Then all the boys run out of doors,  
With joyous hearts they shout,  
And making high terrific roars  
And running all about.*

Intimations of the Great Bard!



School play, *She Stoops to Conquer*

Left to right: John Callaghan, Malcolm Wood, Geoff Cudlip, Bill Hatch, Colin Gibson, David Ker, Bill Balfour, John Beveridge, ?



David Ker in 1937

# Hillfield School

1937 - 1938



John Beveridge  
Head Boy



Malcolm 'Mike' Glassco



John Callaghan  
Editor, Boar



Ben Simpson



Kerr Gibson

This year saw two very sad events, both untimely, but unfortunately typical of the age. Howard Binkley, the remarkable student so recently studying law in Toronto was stricken by polio and died in the summer. In the spring, the young John Wardrope was taken by an inoperable appendix. He had not been well over the winter, but the appendix's sudden flare-up took all by great surprise. The effect of such deaths is hard to exaggerate on the lives of the school community, and happy is the year that passes without these losses.

On the sad but grateful side, this year saw the retirement of Miss Burton, truly the pillar of three schools for nearly thirty years. She was a fixture in Hamilton.

From the *Boar*: 'She will take with her the love and gratitude of hundreds of boys who started out life's journey with anxious hearts, and at once found a sympathetic, patient and understanding friend in whom they could place their trust and confidence, and who never failed them.'

The school was honoured to operate under the patronage of Major General, The Honourable S.C. Mewburn, PC, CMG, KC, and the Most Reverend Derwyn T. Owen, DD, Primate of All Canada.

Conditions were improving slightly, with the school enrolment solidly into the 90s; still a long way off the 150 target.

John Beveridge led the school as Head Boy and captain of cricket, with Malcolm 'Mike' Glassco leading

the rugby and hockey squads. John Callaghan edited the *Boar*.

On the drama front, directed by Messers. John Bell and Fred Butler, once more the boys performed behind the lights, this time in the one act *Jour de Pluie* starring the well-known Chick Holton, Ben Simpson, Bob Inch and Kerr

Gibson.

In the era of hunting for new world phenomena, Miss Virtue and Mr. Heaven made *Ripley's Believe It Or Not* for an unlikely-named school head combination. There was a further irony this year: Jim Slack won the prize for 'Industry and Progress'!



1st Football, 1937

Back row: H.S. Hendrie, D.M. Wood, D.M. Peat, J.A. Bruce, Mr.D.J.Huxley (Coach), J.C. Beveridge, W.R. MacGregor, J.F. Mowbray, J.C. Callaghan  
Front row: J.A. Bliss, L.T. Leonowens, H.A.W. Ingraham, M.D. Glassco, W.M. Hatch, J.R. Crerar, J.S. Slack

# Hillfield School

1938 - 1939

The grade structure of the school was very flexible, and as the demand warranted levels were extended and added. This year, for instance, Mr. Killip added a Sixth Form, and so John Beveridge repeated as Governor-General Medallist, and John Callaghan repeated as *Boar* editor. John Crerar took the lead in sports, helping the Cedars to the Smye Cup, winning the senior

championship, and captaining both rugby and hockey, while Beveridge kept his cricket captaincy.

The big news of the year was the visit of Their Majesties to Canada and the opening of the Queen Elizabeth Way by the Queen herself.

Bing Kelley was the new President of the Old Boys' Association.



John Callaghan  
Boar Editor



John Beveridge  
Governor-General Medallist



*Class of 1939*

Back row: J.S. Slack, J. Mowbray, H. Ingraham, W. Wardrope, H. Hendrie, J. Callaghan, J. Bruce, B. Morrow  
Middle row: D. Peat, W. MacGregor, J. Beveridge, W. Hatch, J. Crerar  
Front row: A. Smith, G. Cudlip, D. Mett

## Group Photo

Left to right: John Whitton, Gordon Hamilton, David Ker, Mark Holton, Mike Watson, Colin Gibson, Bud McKay, Henry Ridley, Doug Frid, Fred Ker, Dick Goddard, Colin Lazier, Bill Young, Des Gibson, George Harvey, 'Bing' Kelley, Tom Langs



# Hillfield School

1939 - 1940

## Patriotism

*Patriotism stands for something which makes one search for words wherewith to describe it. Thinking of young men who leave their jobs to go and fight for their country makes one feel the inexpressible meaning of Patriotism. Some go grumbling, others make the best of it, but all realize that they are fighting for everything that is right and to let the next generation live in a world without tyranny and hatred but filled with peace among men and concord among nations. Many men may live the rest of their lives in misery because they answered the call and served; men like these show the real meaning of Patriotism.*

• C.A. Lapp, Form Vb.



Andy McLaughlin

In Europe, war was only a matter of time, and the time came in the late summer of 1939. War with Germany was declared. Col. Colin Gibson visited the boys shortly after his election to Ottawa where the Earl of Athlone had just been appointed Governor-General. Col. Gibson gave an excellent speech about facing up to bullies. John Levy took the presidency of the Old Boys, but almost immediately he was off in the Navy to Britain. The first

Old Boy actually to go overseas was Des Gibson as a Lieutenant in the Royal Engineers. The first war news came with the shooting down from 10,000 feet of Jim Beasley, and by friendly fire! He survived, but couldn't fly again, and so he joined the 48th Highlanders in Scotland.

This year had a very small but active leaving class. Bill Hatch was Head Prefect, with Dennis Mett winning the Governor-General's Medal. Jeff Cudlip and Alis-

tair Smith rounded out the class, Jeff leading Birches to the Smye Cup, captaining the hockey team and setting a new cricket ball toss of 255ft. Smith captained the cricket and Hatch the rugby. Andy McLaughlin set a school record in winning the junior cross-country three times in a row.

Despite the difficult

financial times, the school built the new Primary wing, and the old gargoyles from Highfield adorned its facade.

Having taught for a quarter century with both schools, Miss Fiennes-Clin-ton retired from the teaching staff.

Now, we'll return to Strathallan of the 1930s.



Prefects from 1940  
Alistair Smith, Dennis Mett, Bill Hatch, J.G. Cudlip



The old gargoyles from Highfield School

# The Spell Expands 1931 - 1939

Strathallan School 1931 - 1932

Despite another serious drop in enrolment, this year saw the addition of a new chemistry lab on the third floor of the school. Leading the girls this year were Dorothy Mathieson with the Dux Medal, Mary Vallance with the Governor-General's, and Mabel Douglas with the Lieutenant-Governor's.

Once again Miss Virtue commented on the great successes of the Old Girls attending university at home and abroad. She also sounded the first educationally progressive note by arguing that there was far too much emphasis on memorization and cramming for exams, especially as these exams were inappropriate to intellectual life at the university level. Her solution

was not to lower the standards but to increase the choice of subjects.

Sports Day was held at the lovely Greening residence, 'Reigate', and the prizes presented by the famous Ada Mackenzie to Margaret Sutherland (senior champ), Ann Wigle (intermediate) and Elsa Jennings (junior). Earn

won the Yeates Shield.

The creative arts side was ever with the girls in many forms, but the June production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* in Mrs. Hendrie's garden at 'Holmstead' was a definite highlight.



Scene from *A Midsummer Night's Dream* in Mrs. Hendrie's garden



Vla - 1932

Back row: Helen Allan, Doris Little, Joan Watson, Doris Cleland, Elizabeth Rally  
Middle row: Helen Peart, Dorothy McKay, Sheila Bull, Monnie Moncur, Mary Vallance  
Front row: Eleanor Simpson, Barbara Powis, Mabel Douglas, Dorothy Mathieson, Beryl Goddard

# Strathallan School

1932 - 1933



Above, Wilson Balfour's Lieutenant-Governor's medal, and below, her Moodie medal



Wilson Balfour, as School Captain, led this year to great success. She also won the Lieutenant-Governor's Medal for English and History. Jean Chubbuck won both the Dux Medal for overall achievement, and the Governor-General's Medal to top off

a splendid school career.

Helen Peart edited the *Pibroch* which described outstanding achievement in all fields, especially the drama under Miss Fitzgerald.

In sports, Tay won the Yeates Shield under its captain, Elsie Moodie.

On the international

front, Miss Virtue had maintained her ties to her German friends and encouraged the girls to correspond with German penpals. It was a great success, and the young German girls related stories of their holiday nature hikes and singing in the now infamous Youth clubs. There was great excitement when Hitler was appointed Chancellor. Flags and bunting decorated the village squares when he came to speak.

The youth of Germany and that of Canada would



Vla - 1933

Back row: Margery McDonald, Eloise Eoff, Dorothy Ketchen, Velma Shaver, Chubby Cooch, Helen Peart  
Front row: Elise Moodie, Lorna Brown, Wilson Balfour, Rose Day, Jean Chubbuck

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take very different turns before the decade was out.

# Strathallan School

1933 - 1934

Unquestionably, the highlight of this year was the visit of Lady Bessborough, wife of the Governor-General, in October. She was so gracious that the girls felt for the moment that *'there was probably nothing she would rather do than visit schools in general and Strathallan in particular'* as Marjorie Taylor reported in the **Pibroch**.

Year after year, Strath continued to produce outstanding young



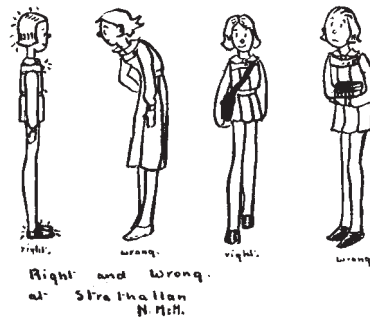
Lady Bessborough

women leaders. This year it was Fannie Hamilton and Margaret Johnson's turn to shine. Margaret won the Governor-General's medal, and Fannie the Lieutenant's. They shared the coveted Dux, and Fannie added the medal for leadership. Margaret went on to become one of the most respected Headmistresses in New England.

They were ably supported by Marjorie Taylor as editor of the **Pibroch**, with Margaret Sutherland as senior sports champ, Ann Wigle intermediate, and Janie Holton the junior champ.

Helen Evans (Rice) remembers Miss Virtue as being very particular about how the girls behaved. Two order marks resulted in a Friday afternoon detention. She remembers one winter playing out in the yard in winter.

She threw a snowball at a friend, and it went right through a window in Miss Fitzgerald's Play-house. Sent to



the office, she faced a stern Miss Virtue demanding to know what she was thinking of. *'It wasn't my fault,' Helen pleaded, 'Mary ducked.'* There was no order mark. In later years, Helen frequently visited the ladies, and one day, 'Fitzy' just passed away at her desk. When Miss Virtue passed on, she left all sorts of remembrances of her to her girls.

The Old Girls' Association was growing under the presidency of Holly Stitt Maw who followed Betty Moore as president.

It was also a year saddened by the passing of two strong and beloved Patrons of the College, Lady Gibson and the senior Mrs. Hendrie. Their support had played no small part in the success of the school.

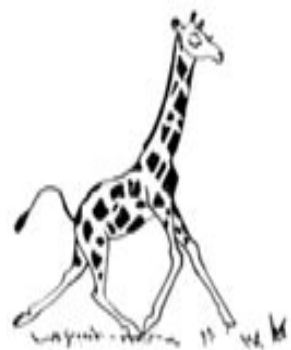


## Via - 1934

1. Marjorie Taylor
2. Elizabeth Morwick
3. Mary Eager
4. Marian Carter
5. Fannie Hamilton
6. Margaret Johnson
7. Helen Evans
8. Betty Chubbuck
9. Vivien Furnival
10. Morna Barclay
11. Jane Stewart
12. Lallie Palmer
13. Margaret Sutherland

# Strathallan School

1934 - 1935



As the depression deepened, both the class size and enrolment shrank.

Concrete indication of the difficulties faced by the families is mirrored by the September food bills for the provision of school lunches:

1930....	127.52
1931....	157.01
1932....	152.28
1933....	137.76
1934....	122.28
1935....	112.75

Miss Fitzgerald kept monthly food accounts, and clearly belts were tightened all around.

September 1930		Food Bills
Hamilton's Hairies		41.87
Sheep Bread		10.71
G.A. Harding Meat		95.48
Cake Out Fish		15.60
City Milk		56.10
Rosetti (veg. + fruit)		22.28
Mr. 15th Balfour Groceries		46.85
" 29th Balfour "		64.35
Total		342.91

But from all reports, it was another successful year. Barbara Malcolm led the girls as School Captain and the Dux medallist. Barbara Carswell won the Governor-General's Medal. A unique *Pibroch* dedicated to King George V and Queen Mary on the occasion of their Silver Jubilee was edited by Elizabeth Nicholson.

Marnie Bruce took the presidency of the Old Girls' Association.

As the decade moved through half-time, both the school and the world were assessing positions. The Depression had taken its toll. The Age of Reason having failed so badly in the first two decades in resolving international disputes through war, now failed miserably on the economic front. This latter failure could only increase the odds

of another, even nastier, world war.

Things were definitely looking tough both at home and abroad.

Via - 1935

A. Barbara Malcolm; B. Elizabeth Nicholson;  
C. Vera Malley; D. Mary Hamilton; E. Peggy Bath;  
F. Winifred Keays; G. Betty Anderson; H. Jean Clark



# Strathallan School

1935 - 1936

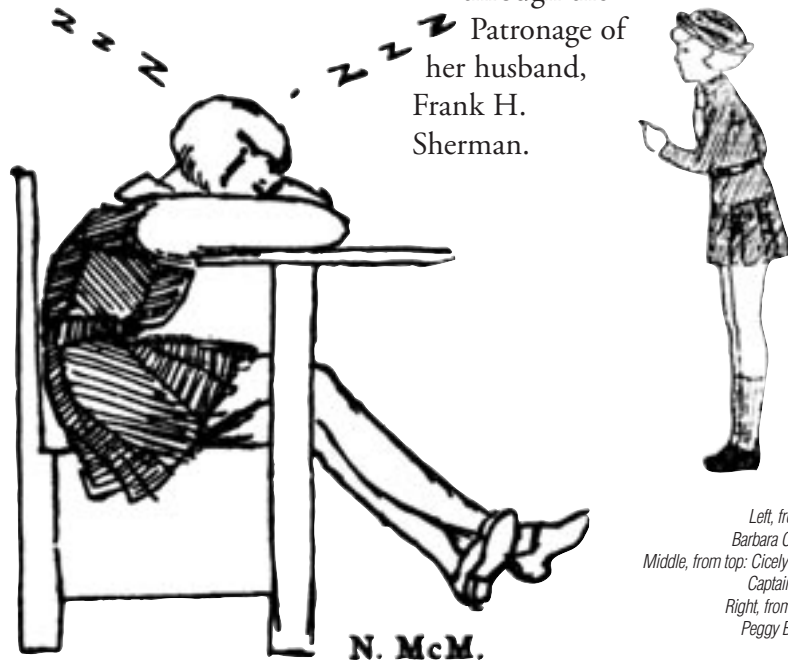
The girls never lost their touch for drawing, nor their sense of humour, as shown in Norah McMurray's drawing below.

With Cicely Zimmerman as School Captain, and Joan Balfour the Dux winner, the class led a very productive and interesting year.

Margaret Simpson edited a fine *Pibroch*, and Barbara Carswell led Tay to the Yeates Shield.

Of special interest to our history is the fact that Trixie Carpenter (Sherman) finished off a fine school career this year. She would link the Shermans to the school through her sons and

through the Patronage of her husband, Frank H. Sherman.



Left, from top: Kit Gartshore, Barbara Carswell, Joan Balfour  
Middle, from top: Cicely Zimmerman (School Captain), Margaret Simpson  
Right, from top: Trixie Carpenter, Peggy Brooks, Moira Smythe

# Strathallan School

1936 - 1937

## Class Picture

Left, from top: Patricia Kelley, Sue Gordon, Harriet Hilton  
Middle, from top: Margaret Grafton, Barbara Martin (School Captain), Sheila Sprague, Norah McMurray  
Right, from top: Mary Bankier, Joan Reany, Beatrice Burrill



The graduates continued to excel both at home and abroad, and in all sorts of interesting pursuits. Peggy Moreland won a Vogt Memorial Scholarship to the Toronto Conservatory of Music in violin, Lallie Palmer was in college in Mississippi, and virtually the whole Class of '36 enrolled at McMaster!

And there were fascinating letters from overseas. Margaret Braden and her cousin Ethel reported from Romania of their comprehensive travels in the Balkans and Near East, including an excursion from Istanbul right around the Levant to Alexandria! Marnie Bruce was attending lectures by Harold Laski on political economy in Lon-

don, from where Betty Burrill describes attending the last official function of Edward VIII before his abdication.

Closer to home, Monnie Moncur was president of the Old Girls' Association, and local grads made up the entire executive of the Junior League.

At Strath, this was the year of Barbara Martin, who was School Captain and both Governor-General and Dux Medallist, a remarkable achievement. The *Pibroch* continued its outstanding work under editor Sheila Sprague, and Earn took the Yeates Shield, led by House Captain Joan Reany.

Barbara Martin (Benson) remembers, from her earlier school days, being

walked to school by Betty Campbell (Wright), one of the 'originals'; 'crawling across the stage as one of the *Pied Piper's* children - a performance for the Governor-General and his Lady!', Lord and Lady Willington in 1930; and the kindness of Miss Virtue.

The Depression had taken its toll on the school. Both enrolment and teachers' salaries were down by 35% since 1930. But the Board, still chaired by Col. Gibson, felt conditions strong enough with 104 full day students and 17 in the kindergarten, to raise the fees, and at the top classes, the fees went up by \$25 to \$225 per annum.

It was an encouraging sign.

# Strathallan School

1937 - 1938

In fact, the fee increases did influence the enrolment, which dropped to 95 full day girls and 13 half-day; but this would leave the finances about equal with the previous year, and the new level set for future increases.

This year's leaders were Babs Young as School Captain and Moodie Medallist, with Phyllis Millen as both Governor-General's and Lieutenant-Governor's Medallist.

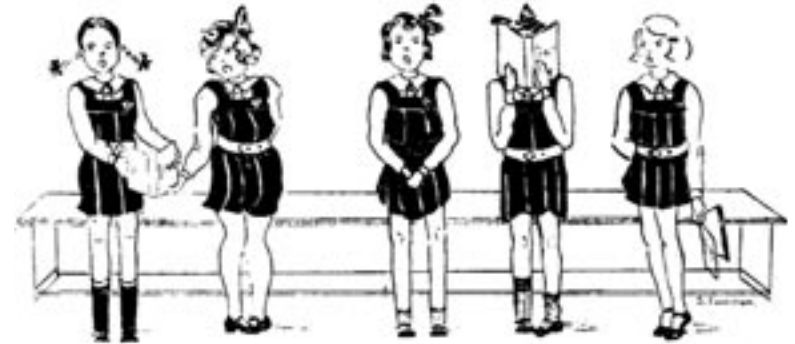
Jane Holton edited the *Pibroch*, and was the first editor to attend the Convention of High School Editors at Trinity College, Toronto. At the convention, the '36 *Pibroch* was awarded the winning Shield for best publication from a small school. The issues addressed at the convention were interesting, the main one being the

take-over by photography of the black and white sketches for section headings and incidental illustration.

Strath stood firm in defence of the line sketches, claiming they embodied the originality of the magazine. A case in point was the illustration of a music class by Sue Funston (at right). Drawing was a Strath strong suit taught by Miss Fiennes-Clinton, and rewarded by the Royal Drawing Society.

On the playing fields, Nancy Morison was senior champion, and Jane Holton led Earn once again to win the Yeates Shield.

Monnie Moncur passed the presidency of the Old Girls' to Mary Vallance.



1937 - 38  
Via Class Picture

Top row: Jane Morison,  
Babs Young (School Captain), Yvonne Dunlop

Bottom row: Phyllis Millen,  
Jane Holton



# Strathallan School

1938 - 1939



Elizabeth Hamilton



Sydney Thompson  
Head Girl



Nelda Brown



Jane Coyne  
Pibroch Editor



Patricia Carr



Mary McEwen  
Governor-General Medalist



Betty Muntz



Sue Young



Nancy Morison



Jane Simpson

The pace of life was increasing as the girls anticipated the royal visit of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth (the Queen Mother). Already the clouds of war were forming in Europe, and were actively raining on Asia with Japan's invasion of Manchuria.

Pride in Strathallan's accomplishments was highlighted by the gift from one of Miss Virtue's closest friends, Mrs. C.S. Wilcox, who donated a new Honour Board for

the Old Girls who had taken degrees.

The growing presence of Strathallan School extended to the whole girls private school community, as the Founders hosted the annual meeting of the Headmistresses of Canada under the presidency of Miss Millard, of Havergal.

Standing out from the usual topics for discussion was one of particular importance considering the world outlook: *What Is the Challenge of Democracy in our Schools?* It wasn't about the girls' rights! It was concern for the survival of democracy.

In this regard, there was some remarkable creativity of thought among the girls as this sketch by

Joan Nicholson in illustration of a *Pibroch* article by Nancy Wigle and Diane Dame demonstrates. The British Isles are safely placed in Hudson's

Bay, and Germany is relegated away from Austria in Antarctica. Japan is shuffled off to Africa to help China, and Cuba goes to the more safely placed Czechoslovakia's vacated space, or where they thought it should be. They felt, as no one could remember Cuba's location, a more newsworthy placement would help!

Sydney Thompson Grant reflected on her *'chief memory, of course, was the big production of Alice in Wonderland, which involved all my class and the classes above and below. All I can remember, as Queen of Hearts, was running around yelling, "Off with their heads!" Janie Spears was King of Hearts.'*



# News of the World

and News of Hamilton ca. 1940

It must be one of the great ironies of history that the appalling conditions of the Depression were finally alleviated by World War II. Once again the boys were off to Europe, this time led by the distinguished Old Boys, General Harry Crerar and Air Vice Marshall Henry Carscallen. Many others from both Hillfield and Strathallan distinguished themselves in the three main services and in the Women's Auxiliaries.

In the larger world picture, the lines of the warriors were drawn. Winston Churchill led the Allies during the bleak days of the withdrawal at Dunkirk, the failure to regain Norway, the fall of Paris and the Nazi occupation of Europe.

When the Allies won the Battle of Britain and forged a bridgehead onto North Africa, things looked somewhat brighter. The disaster of Dieppe, in which the bungling of Allied leadership cost many casualties from the Hamilton RHLI contingent, was the last such major reversal as the Russians and Americans joined the Allied cause.

Prime Minister William Lyon Mackenzie King positioned Canada as the natural communication link

between Britain and the United States and was instrumental in the American Lend-Lease deal which provided England with war supplies before Roosevelt could bring the U.S. into the war. Colin Gibson '37 was a key member of King's government.

In Canada, families waited for news and broadcasts from Britain, listening to the sounds of determination, Churchill and Big Ben, the chiming clock of Westminster. Sunday evenings were times when families gathered around the radio listening to 'L for Lanky', the Allied pilot flying bombing runs against the enemy in the famous Lancaster bombers, some of which were manufactured in Hamilton. Sing-songs featured *'There'll be Bluebirds Over the White Cliffs of Dover'*



From *The Hamilton Spectator*: Ladies helping out the war effort at the Westinghouse plant in Hamilton

and *'There'll Always be an England'* often accompanied by the recording by Vera Lynn.

For Canadians in general, and Hamiltonians in particular, the incentive to join up was intense as a result of the visit in 1939 of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth. The heroism of the royal family in staying in London during the blitz and personally comforting the families of the most heavily bombed areas of East London, set an example that was the standard to follow. They made it easy to be brave, and to work endlessly to produce the goods and services necessary for the soldiers and relatives overseas to survive, and for ultimate victory.

Bob Johnston '45: *'When they came to Hamilton, the excitement was extraordinary. All along the street, bleachers appeared everywhere. The Dominion stores issued periscopes so that those who were height-challenged would not miss seeing the King and Queen as they passed in their convertible. I can remember seeing them at Main Street and Fairleigh Ave., and then dashing a mile or so to Melrose Ave. so that I could see them a second time, an hour or*

*so later, when they emerged from Civic (now Ivor Wynne) Stadium to complete their Hamilton driveabout.'*

After the war, there was a natural feeling to return to the good times of the Twenties, and to build on the recent technical advances accelerated by the war efforts. Surely this would be the last world war. The allies had made certain of that by dropping the atomic bombs in Japan.

Those bombs did more than settle the war with Japan, a fact that the Japanese figured out sooner than the West: a whole new Atomic Age had dawned.

Two further issues would preoccupy the world powers in the post-war times. First the imperial powers had effectively lost their control of colonies in Asia and Africa. Extricating themselves would be tortuous for both the colonials and the powers. Added to this a new enemy of the West emerged, communism. It was a 'Cold War', but it was real and, together with the colonial disintegrations, shaped Western life in harrowing ways.

The effects would certainly be felt in the schools.

# Prep at its Best 1940 - 1950

## Hillfield School 1940 - 1941

John Collinson died in England at the age of 79.

A tribute in *The Spectator* read, '... He instilled in [the boys] a love of all that was fine and manly in life and gave them a high code to strive for and cling to: he shaped their lives to noble ends.' And now the sons of his 'boys' were off to war again.

Sadly, Fred Ker was the first casualty of the war, having gone down at sea in the Royal Canadian Navy. Most of the Old Boy executive was, in fact, among the 36 boys on active service, so the association deferred its activities until the war was won.

Already, boys were coming to Hillfield from abroad to escape the

brutality of war. Mostly they came from Great Britain, but Peter C. Neuman (now Newman) came from Czechoslovakia and he told his story in the *Boar*. He stayed only a year as a boarder with Mr. Killip before moving on to Upper Canada College and a

distinguished career in writing and publishing.

Bob Johnston remembers him, 'I learned on T.V. that as Jews they were turned away from Argentina and several other countries, initially including Canada. They only managed to get into Canada



Don Huxley  
Senior Master



John Collinson



Art Hatch



Harold Waterman  
Boar Editor



LONDON, 1941.

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### ESCAPE - A True Story Peter Neuman

When the Germans invaded Czechoslovakia we fled to France because we did not want to be under the German control. In France we stayed one year. Then the German troops started to invade France.

We tried to get permission to enter England but we did not have much luck at first. The German attack continued and soon the Nazi troops reached a point within about 50 miles of Bordeaux where we were. Then we suddenly got permission and some tickets for an American ship from Bordeaux to Liverpool.

Before we could board the ship however, the Germans had attacked the city from air and bombs were dropping in our vicinity. At night we had to sleep in military trucks. Finally we got on the ship as another furious German air-raid came, but fortunately the ship sailed away safely. With us on the ship were a regiment of Czech soldiers and five Czech fliers.

The ship got out of the harbour all right but soon we encountered some German subs, which were following us. However, we managed to escape. During the day we changed our course towards the U.S.A. We kept this course up for four days. During the fifth day we changed our course towards England again. In another fourteen days we managed to reach Belfast. The naval inspector there congratulated us, for we were the only one to arrive of the six ships which were supposed to reach Belfast on that day. Then we went to Liverpool, where a cheering crowd met us.

*at the last moment when they learned of a scheme where the Canadian Pacific Railway could get immigrants a visa for persons who would, for a few years, maintain plots of farm land on railway property. The Neumans weren't farmers by any stretch of the imagination, but they settled on land in what was then called Free-man (now just east of Alder-*

*shot), and Peter's father, who I believe was a professional engineer, went about raising fruit and vegetables.'*

Cheever Scott, who would next year become Chair, was one of Highfield's most distinguished Old Boys, and was a prominent lawyer in Hamilton. He had kept up his keen interest in the school through his sons,

Angus and Douglas. Their sister, Alison went to Strathallan. Mr. Scott had also been president of the Highfield Old Boys.

Despite the war, the school thrived. With the new influx from abroad, the enrolment exceeded 100 boys, and they enjoyed a fine new laboratory. Kerr Gibson won the Governor-General's Medal and captained the cricket team, while Art Hatch led the hockey team. Alder Bliss was captain of rugby and the Smye Cup Birches, and he won the senior championship. Harold Waterman and his *Boar* team produced an outstanding edition.

John Frid, whose mother Flora was later a patron, remembers the drama program in particular, and the extraordinary drama teacher from England, John

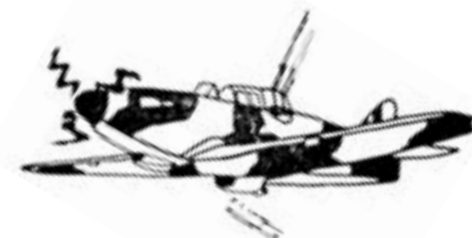
'Puffy' Bell. Bell was a mentor to John, who starred in the school production of *The Rivals*. He also recalls being suspended for being caught on a week night by Don Huxley at an evening hockey game, and spending a good deal of time in the office!



S.W.C. (Cheever) Scott '05, Chair



Back row: Bob Inch, Kerr Gibson, Brian Morison, Alder Bliss, Ralph Inghram, John Frid  
Front row: Ben Simpson, Bob Oliver, Chick Holton, Art Hatch



# Hillfield School

1941 - 1942



Peter Foster  
Governor-General Medalist



Harold Waterman  
Governor-General Medalist



Ralph Ingraham



Rob Roy



Bill Thomson

This was a very strong year. The Governor-General's Medal was shared by Peter Foster and Harold Waterman: a dead heat. In sports, Ralph Ingraham led both the rugby team and Pines house to victory, while Peter Foster and

Rob Roy captained the hockey and cricket teams respectively. Bill Thomson was senior champ. Dayton Forman edited the *Boar*.

The news from the Front was bleak. John Currie and George Harvey were taken pris-

oner at Dieppe, John being severely wounded. There were now 16 boys signed up in the Navy, 26 in the Army and 28 in the Air Force. Many were overseas and John Beveridge, Harky Bull, Jim Bostwick, John Witton and David Fensom all reported in by mail over the year. Ted Leather regularly reported from his outfit in the U.K.

John Crerar reported from McMaster that he, Beasley, Frid and Holton were among the hearty souls that, like their sisters from Strath, went out to save the wheat crop, if not their hands!

Arthur Killip remembered Cheever Scott '05, Highfield star and chair of the Board, as a great help and advisor. Included on this Board were St. Clair Balfour, The Hon. Colin Gibson, Howard Ambrose (Vice Chairman), Dr. Colin Stearn, and the perennial Honourary Secretary, G.E.F. Smith, Jr.



1942 Graduating Class

Back row: D. Scott, R.W. Thomson, H. Waterman, J. Lennard, G. Howell

Middle row: J. Foster, R. Ingraham, R. Roy

Front row: C. Lapp, J. Hilborn



Captain John Currie



Lieutenant George Harvey

## From the *Boar*

John Currie came to Hillfield from Hillcrest. He left the school in 1933 and went on to Upper Canada College. From there he went on to the University of Toronto, where he had not yet completed his course when war broke out. He left college to join the RHLI as a 2nd Lieutenant, and went overseas with the first contingent.

George Harvey was at Hillfield from 1932 to 1935. He had two years at Westdale before going to McGill. He, too, left college in 1940 to join the RHLI.

Both John and George were in the Dieppe raid, and were taken prisoner. John was severely wounded, but according to latest reports has made a good recovery.

# Hillfield School

1942 - 1943

The war dominated all aspects of life for those on the home front. Food rationing, Victory Gardens where lawns once were, and black outs were the order of the day - and waiting to hear from the Front, which this year brought the sad news of the fatal shooting down over England of Hillfield's first Head Boy, Pilot Officer Ed Tew. History was repeating itself with a new generation of heroes.

Also shot down, this time over Italy, were Calder Cleland and George Robinson, but they survived as POWs. Colin Lazier successfully piloted a bomber over the lonely wastes of the south Atlantic for delivery to the forces in Africa. John Beveridge assisted in the commando landings in Sicily, and Des Gibson was very active in the battle for Tunisia, building a bridge over the Medjirdar River. He was captured by the Germans, but only moments later escaped with a collection of 16 wrist watches! Of course, these stories captured the imaginations of the boys who were preparing to join the troops.

Back at the school, Harold Parke led the school as Head Boy, and also played on the rugby, hockey and cricket teams, won the Heavyweight Boxing cup, the Chess Championship and a scholarship to UCC!

But he was far from alone in achievement.

Dayton Forman led the *Boar* editorial team, while Charles Wilcox captained the rugby team and also Cedars house, which won the Cleland Shield. John Ker was Victor Ludorum, that is senior champ.

Old Boys were achieving at the various post-Hillfield schools and universities. Bill Thomson and John Frid, for instance, starred in *Our Town* at Mac.

Of course, in this time it was very difficult to run a school. Let alone the finances that were governed by price and wage controls, the shortage of labour was acute. Masters and mistresses were either called up or just upped and left without warning. In a very severe winter, a parade of illnesses laid low all levels of staff. And having weathered the winter with some success, the school community watched in disbelief as the spring brought deluges of

rain. 'Our precious tractor and mowing units, for which new parts are practically unprocurable, puffed and snorted through the jungle swamps...' reported Arthur Killip.

Eventually, with the help of scythes, the fields came around, just recovering for Games Day. So reported the triumphant Headmaster.

But he left his main praise for Mrs. Butler. 'We passed through all these crises... largely owing to the amazing talent and versatility of Mrs. Butler... The co-operation she secured from her various classes was a notable tribute to her personality, versatility and sheer competence as a teacher.' Such words come rarely from a Head's lips.



Fred and Joey Butler



Included in the photo are:  
Harold Parke, Dayton Forman, William Wigle, Andrew Robinson, Richard Farmer, Thomas Beckett, Charles Wilcox, Gavin White, William Hale, Walter Thomson and John Truscott



Fl.-Sgt. Calder Cleland



P.O. George Robinson



P.O. Edmund Tew

# Hillfield School

1943 - 1944



Peter Ferres  
Governor-General Medalist



Jim Reid  
Boar Editor



George Simpson  
Hockey Captain



Guy Hillmer  
Cricket Captain



John Ker  
Rugby Captain

The restraints of wartime gradually began to pay off in the war effort as the Allies' cause improved. The

boys did their part in the rationing of tuck to 3 cents each for the seniors and 2 cents for the juniors, a fixed menu of lunches at 33 cents each.

All replicas of cups and all prizes were converted to war stamps for the duration.

At the school, Thomas Crerar edited the *Boar*, and Peter Ferres won the Governor-General's Medal. John Ker captained the rugby team, while George Simpson and Guy Hillmer led the hockey and cricket teams, respectively.

Despite the restraints of wartime, the school thrived. Enrolment reached a new high of

122, and an additional floor was built on the Primary wing. Fees had moved right up to \$330!

At the front, the Canadian

troops were led by one of our most illustrious students, General Harry Crerar, Commander-in-Chief of the Canadian Army in Belgium.

John Beveridge, fresh from the landings in Sicily, was blown out of his boat at the Normandy invasion, but he recovered and was honoured by a visit from the Queen. Of the 120 eligible Old Boys, 100 had signed up, and 65 were overseas.

Closer to home, the younger Old Boys continued to excel as Tom Whitten demonstrated at Appleby by being Head Boy, Head Prefect, CO of the Cadet Corps, and editor of the yearbook. Grant Howell also edited a yearbook, *The Raconteur*, at Westdale.

The school was



General H.D.G. Crerar, CH, CB, DSO  
Commander-in-Chief for the Canadian Army Overseas

in 'flow', as we might have said in the '90s.



Included in this photo are: James Reid, Peter Ferres, Colin Stearn, Andrew McLaughlin, William Farmer, John Ker, Harry Frost, George Simpson and John Child

## Dinners

DINNER is served to masters and boys together in the Dining Hall after morning school at a rate of approximately 33 cents per meal. The diet is varied and includes an abundance of tuberculin-tested milk and fresh vegetables.

The boys in the Primary Department are provided with a separate menu that is specially adapted to suit their needs.

A characteristic week's menu is appended as a sample:

<b>Monday:</b>	HOT ROAST BEEF BEETS AND MASHED POTATOES STRAWBERRY JELLO
<b>Tuesday:</b>	VEGETABLE SOUP COLD ROAST BEEF POTATOES, TOMATO JELLY SALAD PEACH PUDDING
<b>Wednesday:</b>	FRESH MINCED MEAT AND SPAGHETTI POTATOES AND CABBAGE ICE CREAM
<b>Thursday:</b>	LAMB STEW GREEN PEAS AND POTATOES FRUIT SALAD AND COOKIES
<b>Friday:</b>	BAKED FRESH WHITE FISH CREAMED LIMA BEANS BUTTERSCOTCH PUDDING AND WHIPPED CREAM
<b>Each Day:</b>	MILK, BUTTER, BROWN AND WHITE BREAD

The Menu



The Dining Hall in 1943

# Hillfield School

1944 - 1945 Victory in Europe

General Harry Crerar, led the Canadian Army troops, and others served and died. The later Air Vice Marshall Henry Carscallen was our senior Air Force representative.

This year brought the sad news of more killed in action: Jim Bostwick, Gordon McLean and Calder Cleland. Others captured, but safe, included Bud McKay, George Robinson, John Currie, and John Morison. Bob Christie won the DFC, and Alec Parker the MC George Harvey escaped from a POW camp and was back studying at McGill. It was a remarkable achievement for such a small school.

General Crerar's cousin, Tom, was this year's editor of the *Boar* and Senior Champion. Donald

Hamilton was Head Boy while Guy Hillmer led the Birches to the Cleland Shield and cricket to its heights. Stewart Loosley captained the hockey.

Ralph Dame took up the Chair from Cheever Scott, and helped the Headmaster through the difficult post-war years.



R.L. Dame  
Chairman



The later Air Vice Marshall Henry Carscallen was our senior Air Force representative



Class of 1945  
Back row: S. Loosley, J. Livingston, G. Hillmer, R. Agnew, R. Johnston  
Front row: T. Crerar, D. Hamilton, J. Dame



Tom Crerar  
Boar Editor



Donald Hamilton  
Head Boy



Stewart Loosley  
Hockey Captain

# Hillfield School

1945 - 1946



Dick Wood  
Governor-General Medalist



Alan Boothe  
Basketball Captain



Courtland Weaver



Coulter Osborne



Bill Drynan

The school reached new enrolment heights of 141 boys, and this with the wartime visitors gone. Under a committee chaired by Mr. T.H. Crerar of the Board of Governors, the school bond of \$100,000 was finally paid off. However, the construction of the impressive new arts and locker room building put the school back in \$20,000 debt. That was not a large debt even for the times, but it was a definite burden to a tight budget. If reaching full enrolment did not solve the school's finances, what could? That is the perennial question confronting Boards and Heads. There is no easy solution, and the tension takes its toll.

These worries were far from the minds and achievements of the boys,

and this year, Dick Wood won top honours with the Governor-General's Medal with Alan Boothe leading the basketball, cricket and Pines all on to victory. Bill Drynan was the senior champ and Captain of hockey, ably backed by George Vallance. Courtland Weaver was the junior champ. Bill also set a new record for the cricket ball toss at 285'6". That's a major toss! Bob Morton captained the rugby - and coming up from the junior ranks was an emerging star, Coulter Osborne, later the Associate Chief Justice of Ontario, and the first boy ever from Form 4b to win 1st Cricket Colours.

Post war life for the school was beginning.



Howard Ambrose, Patron



Class of 1946

Back row: R. Kilborn, G. Vallance, R. Morton, Wilcox, R. Howell  
Front row: A. Boothe, R. Wood, W. Drynan

# Hillfield School

1946 - 1947

During the war, the Old Boys' Association was put on hold, but now it came back with a will. Bing Kelley was the first 'new' president this year.

In other news from the Old Boys, Grant Howell was president of 3rd Year at the University of Toronto, and John Frid was winning a fine reputation on the stage, starring in *Barrett's of Wimpole Street*.

The Headmaster reported this year as one of the most successful ever in the school's history, and on all planes. Fraser Hale was Head Prefect. The rugby team had a 5-1-1 record under captain Tom Wilcox. Tom also led Cedars to the house championship. In other sports, Brad Smith captained hockey, Bruce Bates basketball and Fraser Hale cricket. Peter McCulloch won the senior boxing F. I. Ker Cup, edging out Fraser.

The senior sports champ was Bill Mayberry, with Jim Drynan inching by Coulter Osborne for the juniors.

It was on the intellectual front that the results really shone. Three boys won 1st

Class Honours in twelve Matric subjects: Tony Butler, Head Boy, Bruce Bates and Brad Smith. Bruce also edited the *Boar*.

Mr. Ken Wood led a vigorous Board of Governors,

many of whom were Old Boys recently returned from the war.

A new era was in the making.



Back row: Neil Stewart, Thomas Wilcox, Irving Newson  
Middle row: Tony Butler, Fraser Hale, Bruce Bates  
Front row: John Morison, Brad Smith



H.K. Wood, Chair



Mr. Bailey  
Athletic Director



Mr. Bennett  
Hockey Coach



Tony Butler  
Head Boy



Bruce Bates  
Boar Editor



Brad Smith



Bill Mayberry



Hallett (Bing) Kelley  
Old Boys' President



George Parke  
Old Boys' President

**Mr. Roberts to Allan Dingwall:**  
What was the Age of Pericles?

**Dingwall, innocently:** I'm not sure, sir, but I think he was about fifty.

**Mr. Killip observing a lump in Graham's cheek:** Surely you aren't eating candy, Billy?

**Graham:** Oh, no, sir. I'm just soaking a prune to eat at recess.

**Jimmy Drynan** still insists that monasteries are places where monsters are kept.



Stan Hall  
Boar Editor



John Francis  
Hockey Captain



Jack Nightscales  
Head Boy

# Hillfield School

1947 - 1948

This was the year of Jack Nightscales, Head Boy, Head Prefect and captain of both basketball and cricket. In cricket, yet another record in the ball toss was set at 291'10" by Mike McClemon, closing in on the 100 yard mark. Bill Mayberry captained the rugby, was senior sports champ, and set a new record in the Morgan Mile at 4 minutes 58 seconds, very fast for the era. John Francis captained hockey and Stan Hall edited the *Boar*.

This was the first of thirty-

seven years on staff for the young Geoffrey Steel. Much more will be heard of him and his family as our story unfolds.

The Old Boys continued to make their marks. John Levy was appointed Personal Secretary to The Hon. Colin Gibson, now Secretary of State in the government of W.L. Mackenzie King. Bill Thompson won the Governor-General's Medal at the Ontario College of Art, and was moving on to the Royal Academy in London.

Back row: Thomas Irwin, Michael McClemon, Stanley Hall, Bill Drynan  
Front row: George Niblett, Bill Mayberry, Jack Nightscales, John Francis, Charles Jacques



The Work Room



The Art Room

# Hillfield School

1948 - 1949

The 20th year of the school and Mr. Killip's headship again brought impressive achievement. Harry Greening led the way as Head Boy and Head Prefect. He and Dave Gallagher both earned 12 firsts in their finals, while Don Mann edited an excellent *Boar*.

Dave also captained the cricket team, and Norm Howell the rugby and hockey. Billy Graham, later of the Hamilton Tiger Cats, broke almost every sports record. For example, he added 1'1" to the junior broad jump. Coulter Osborne batted a record 73 run average in cricket - but wait till next year!

The Old Boys continued to thrive under the presidency of David Ker. Bud Levy was awarded the MBE, Doug Cleland was captain of the Canadian Military Equestrian Jumping Team, and Bruce Bates was captain of the Andover hockey team. Peter Foster went on to the Harvard Business School, and Ted Leather delivered a ringing defence of the British

Empire at the British Conservative Convention, receiving a one and one half minute standing ovation.

At Hillfield, the standing ovation would be for its Head. Twenty years as Head takes its toll, and next year would be Arthur Killip's last.



Mrs. H.F. Lazier (left), Head of the Ladies' Committee, and Mrs. Fred Murgatroyd



Harry Greening  
Head Boy



Dave Gallagher



Don Mann  
Boar Editor



Norm Howell



Billy Graham

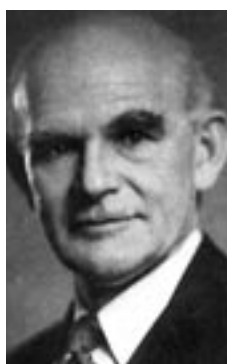


Class of 1949

Back row: William Roderick, George Allan, Courtland Weaver, Michael Raine, Donald Mann  
Front row: Edwin Heaven, David Gallagher, Harold Greening, Norman Howell

# Hillfield School

1949 - 1950



Arthur Killip



Ken Brown  
Head Prefect



George House  
Governor-General Medalist



Coulter Osborne

This would be Arthur Killip's last year, and yet another excellent one it would be. George House was top student, and Ken Brown Head Prefect, captain of football and captain of the winning Cedars house. Coulter Osborne led hockey and cricket. In cricket, Coulter increased his batting average to 116, the team going undefeated in two years. Ken Brown edited the **Boar**.

Colin S. Lazier took on the presidency of the Old Boys, and was moving through the organization, in the end holding every possible position. Don Green, later of great sailing fame in his 'Evergreen', was chosen for an 18 month voyage around the world on the brigantine 'Yankee'.

## Arthur F. Killip - Valle

By every standard of excellent preparatory country day schools, Arthur Killip excelled as a head. He had achieved his dream of the model school. To be sure he had great support from his staff and Chairmen of the Board, but the weight of responsibility can be

heavy. As he pointed out, *'school-masters are very modest in their demands. We do not expect to draw the salaries of baseball players, plumbers, bricklayers, or truck-drivers.'*

And the costs of operation escalated dramatically. But with the fees as they were, not significantly higher than when the school opened, something must give.

In his tribute to Mr. Killip, his great friend and supporter, Dr. Colin Stearn explained what gave. *'A time comes when either the burdens must be shared by another or be shifted holus-bolus on to a younger man's shoulders. Had Hillfield been more generously endowed, had the school been larger, or the fees higher, the first plan would have been the natural one. Under the circumstances the second one was the only possible. Mr. Killip decided on an act of renunciation for which his friends will ever remember him. He resigned his position.'*

At his last Prize Day, Mr. Killip repeated two thoughts he used at his first Prize Day. *'In this reck-*

*less age of experiment where established ideas are recklessly abandoned, I hold fast to what I consider to be vital principles of true education: That it is natural to enjoy work as to enjoy play, and that boys will not work any the less hard because they are happy and interested in the classroom.'*

*'The vital qualities in a teacher are patience and enthusiasm, sympathy and understanding and leadership. These qualities are not the monopoly of any creed but without such qualities creeds and theories are of no avail.'*

Having amply proven his beliefs over 21 years, Arthur "Killer" Killip (apparently he was an interesting driver!) returned to Upper Canada College from whence he came, and taught out his days there until retirement.

He then returned to Hamil-

ton, and one could see him and Dr. Les Laking of the RBG walking the Mountain campus grounds planting an amazing variety of shrubs and trees that we now take completely for granted.

Colin S. Lazier looked after his affairs for him and many of his boys dropped in for chess, first at his Herkimer St. home, and then in the James St. apartment. Mr. Ferris was chief among his Bruce Trail walking companions, and he had good friends both in Toronto and Hamilton right to the end.



Class of 1950

Back row: John Smart, D. Murray Brown, George House, John Wilson  
Front row: Ernest Wright, Coulter Osborne, Ken Brown, Robert Murgatroyd, John Philp

# Strathallan School In Full Bloom 1939 - 1948

1939 - 1940

The big news for the Hamilton/Strath connection this year was the election of Strathallan's President, Col. Gibson, to parliament as a member from Hamilton West. Thus, as he had to step down from the Chair, the *Pibroch* was dedicated to him.

*'He is vitally concerned with the working of every department, and likes to keep himself well informed. His response to any successes the girls may achieve is spontaneous. His congratulations are prompt and wholehearted, and bring warmth and cheer.'*

The year also saw the start of hostilities in Europe and the return of the Governor-General, Lord Tweedsmuir, to England. He had visited the school in 1936, and the girls had very fond memories of him.

Yolanda Powell was Head

Girl with Nancy Clark as Sports Captain. Leith Harding edited a fine *Pibroch*.



Col. Gibson, MPP, Hamilton West, and recent Chair of Strathallan School



Back row: Hilary Stearn, Nancy Clark, Yolanda Powell, Sue Funston  
Third row: Letitia Jackman, Harriet Jackson, Nan Robinson, Enid Gourlay  
Second row: Betty Wells, Leith Harding, Nancy Wood  
Front row: Frances McFaul, Joan Greenfield, Mary Alexander



Sports Day 1940

# Strathallan School

1940 - 1941



**D**iane Dame was School Captain and won the Moodie Medal, while Petie Houston was sports captain and senior champ Wilcox Cup winner. Academically, Head Girl Mary Ker and Marjorie Waterman took the top honours, while Joan Nicholson won the Governor-General's Medal for Math. The school play was *The Knave of Hearts*.

With the Hon. Colin Gibson's move into the W.L. Mackenzie King War Cabinet in

thought only that Petain had taken over the government. Yolanda Powell had taken the news to Miss Virtue who sent for Mme. She was devastated and the girls didn't see her again that year.

Marjorie Waterman Laidler remembers both Mme. and Miss Virtue as inspiring language teachers from whom she gained virtual fluency in French and German. When she and her husband were stationed in the RCAF bases in Germany in the '50s, her German friends couldn't detect any accent at all. Marjorie also fills another important niche with the uncovering of the program for the Strathallan School Singing Recital. She sang Handel's *'He shall feed his flock'*, a challenging piece, as were many of the other numbers. Together with the sports and drama, this completes the broad program that Miss Virtue and Miss Fitzgerald created for the Girls.



W.S. Burrill, Chairman



Back row: Adrienne Walsh, Marjorie Waterman, Mary Thompson, Diane Dame, Peggy Newson  
Middle row: Pat Hobbs, Joan Nicholson, Petie Houston  
Front row: Gay Fearman, Mary Ker, Joan Binkley

# Strathallan School

1941 - 1942

The war had set in with many Old Girls on active service. They enrolled in the Red Cross Transport Service, in the Motor Transport Corps overseas, in the RCAF (WD), and in munitions factories. Many served as army nurses.

Familiar names of girls in the service are recorded this year: Sydney Thompson, Marg Ambrose, Connie Lees, Babs Young, Betty Hatch, Lieutenant Jane Holton, Betty Greene, Mary Southam, Greta Whitten, Rachel Parker, and Peggy Muntz were all nurses. In the RCAF, Babs McLaren, Jane Parry, Barbara Martin and Kay Stambaugh were stationed in Ottawa, Toronto, and Guelph.

In Miss Virtue's message to the girls, she urged them to embrace the war effort in

active ways. As there was a dramatic shortage of labour, she urged the girls to clean up after themselves and to work on the farms to help with the food efforts.

This message was reinforced by School Captain Shirley Brown who commented, *'we school girls deep down in our hearts, think that the expression, "This is my war" applies to grown-ups only. Why should we? For we have to live in the world that will follow the war.'*

Shirley won the Lieutenant-Governor's Medal and Ruth Keays took the Governor-General's and was also the senior champ. Jean Ker was the intermediate champ and Katherine Latham the junior. Jacqueline Eames edited the *Pibroch* and Helen Evans took on the presidency of the Old Girls.



Joyce Andrews



Barbara Banting



Donna Lee Berg



Ruth Keays  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist; Sr. Champ



Margaret Beddoe



Judy Osborne



Pat Poag



Shirley Brown  
School Captain; Lt.-Gov. Medalist



Barbara Peat



Susanne Cochenour



Jacqueline Eames  
*Pibroch* Editor



Barbara Watson



W.S. Churchill

## GIVE US THE TOOLS

Do you hear the throb of motors,  
As a group of tanks are seen,  
Plunging through the scorching desert,  
With a sandstorm as their screen?  
They are lizards of the forest,  
Of the marsh and golden plain;  
They are charging into battle  
Where they meet the foe again.

Do you hear the drone of war-planes  
As they leave the English shore,  
Winging on to German cities  
To unload their tons of war?  
They are hawks of great destruction,  
They are warriors of the air;  
For they leave a wake of ruin,  
Flames, disorder everywhere.

Do you hear the great guns blasting  
Ceaselessly at German ships?  
Stately battleships and tankers  
Stalwartly pursue their trips.  
They are bulldogs of the sea—  
Feared by all, their deadly bark:  
With a grim determination  
Ever seeking for their mark.

Willa Ruth Harwood, Vb, Strathdee.

# Strathallan School

1942 - 1943



Joyce Ferrie  
School Captain



Audrey Crookes



Mary Crerar



Mary Dowie



Martha Gillies  
Yeates Shield



Hilda Illsey



Elizabeth Balfour  
Gov-Gen. Medalist; Pibroch Editor

## Via Prophecy

*This tells what some from Strath's Via  
Will have become one future day;  
Though 'tisn't really what they'll be,  
For 'twas only written in '43*

*Our Joyce, among the diplomats,  
Consorts with M.P.'s and brass-hats;  
And soon, a rumour has it, she  
Will be ambassador in Paris*

*Oh, who is this trim nurse we see?  
Why surely 'tisn't Mary C.?  
She cares for folks and makes them  
healthy -  
Intends to wed an ex-patient wealthy.*

*Audrey has risen to world-wide fame,  
And a dress labeled with her name  
Is worth a fortune, for Audrey  
Is now a second Schiaparelli*

*Martha Gillies' legal fame  
Has spread afar, for Martha's name  
Is known abroad, as is most right  
For Mar's our leading legal light*

*And here we have our other Mary  
A very useful secretary;  
Of state? Well, no, she isn't yet  
But she is on the rise, I bet.*

*Our Hilda, as a banker's daughter  
Has gone the way that she had oughter  
And she has mounted rank by rank,  
And now is president of the bank.*

*And as for me, I've writ this poem,  
And by it I shall be known;  
I fear that I cannot aspire  
To anything that is much higher.*

- Elizabeth Balfour, Via Strathyre

School Captain Joyce Ferrie (Young) led the girls through the middle year of the war. She records the girls' contributions to the effort in the form of the four patch blankets the girls would finish for the Merchant Marine, and her work in the summer on a farm alongside some very focused Ukrainian women. The girls could make about \$1.75 in a 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. day at piece-work. The Ukrainian women could double that!

She also relates a story that gives another clear picture of Miss Virtue's true nature. Joyce's class was afflicted with a very poor Canadian history teacher. It was not a retiring class, and they played her up rather badly. One day Joyce was called to Miss Virtue's office, and told in stern terms that the Headmistress had 'something very, very serious to

tell you. We have lost Miss X, and it is all because of your class! You have driven her into the arms of an undertaker.' Joyce stood there not knowing what to do, and Miss Virtue erupted in hoots of laughter. 'Yes, she's married an undertaker'. The news brought great joy to the class.

Elizabeth Balfour won the Governor-General's Medal, and also edited the 20th anniversary edition of the **Pibroch**. Martha Gillies led More to the Yeates Shield.

The senior champ was Bobbie McCullough, the intermediate champ was Sue Beckett, and the junior champ was Anne Grinstead.



Above and below, some unnamed photos from the 1943 Pibroch



# Strathallan School

1943 - 1944

Jayne Thurstans carried the year as School Captain. Johann Keays was the editor of the *Pibroch*. In athletics, Pat Hamilton was the senior champ, Anne Finch was intermediate champ, and Eve Thomson was junior champ. Yre won the Yeates Shield under the captaincy of Barbara Martin. On the Old Girls' front, Fanny Hamilton took over as President.

There were guest students from Great Britain during the war. Thousands found a welcome and a respite in Canada from the bombs and fires at home. The school was honoured, as were many others, by the Queen's written expression of gratitude, for which Mrs. W.L. Harwood provided a fine frame. The war effort was very much the top topic, with the girls making six blankets, tending their 'victory gardens' to

lessen the food shortages, helping to pack some of the million food packages for the prisoners of war, and raising money for women's charities and even the Greek Relief Fund.

Mrs. Wilcox continued her extraordinary support of the school, this year by providing the flag stones for under the Gingko tree. This tree was a magnet around which the girls huddled to chat during the recesses. So important was the tree that there still stand two Gingko trees to the north of the present Strathallan building.



*The Gingko tree outside Strathallan building as it is today*



*The Kindergarten*



*Pat Hale*



*Jayne Thurstans  
School Captain*



*Cynthea Cooch*



*Pat Piott*



*Reta Wilcox*



*Johann Keays  
Pibroch Editor*



*Norah Leake*



*Peggy Main*



*Barbara Piott*



*Hilda Illsey*

# Strathallan School

## 1944 - 1945



Willa Ruth Harwood  
Pibroch Editor



Gretchen Griffith



Mary Dunlop



Jane Bankier



Shirley Lemon



Marnie Gilmour  
School Captain; Gov-Gen. Medalist



Joan Rich



Jean Ker  
Senior Champion



Elizabeth Glover



Avril Crookes

This year saw an end to the war in Europe. As *Pibroch* editor Willa Ruth Harwood reported, the Old Girls served well, some close to the lines for the Red Cross, and others in Great Britain and Canada. A 'Roll of Honour' Board was created to acknowledge those in the services. The Old Girls' presidency passed along to Betty Greene.

School Captain Marnie Gilmour led the girls to another great year, setting a new record for blankets.

Mrs. Wilcox continued her incredible support, this year with a refrigerator for the school!

Yre took the Yeates Shield, and Jean Ker the senior championship, Bunnie Thomson the intermediate and Gillian Allan the junior.

Strath had maintained a strong Junior School with the

girls in 'Tribes' rather than houses: Blackfeet and Ojibways.

They also maintained a vigorous Brownie program under Miss Evans as Brown-Owl, the highlight of which was decorating the annual Christmas Tree for the Caroline St. Mission.

While the boys seem to have deserted the school during the mid to late '30s, they were back in the '40s. This picture of 'When I grow up' has some interesting predictions. Billy Cooper wanted, and did become a contractor like 'my daddy and grandfather'. Gerald Wright wanted to be a farmer, not quite so near the mark. Gerry Wigle predicted a captaincy of a big freight boat, 'Tugboat Annie'. Barb Cooper wanted to be a sailor girl who would 'go far away on a boat and then come back...'

"When I  
Grow Up"



Preparatory, Easter, 1945.

**Julie Murray:** I'll help my mother. I'll wash the dishes, and cook.

**Geoffrey Smith:** I want to be a man who drives a street-car on the Belt-line. I'll drive carefully and take the tickets.

**Jan Lumsden:** I'm going to be a dancing girl. If the people clap, I will dance some more.

**Gerald Wigle:** I would like to be a captain of a big freight boat and go down the river and over the ocean. I'll call my boat "Tugboat Annie".

**Margaret Pirie:** I'm going to be a lady and work in my grandfather's office. I'll write letters on the typewriter and say "Good Morning" when people come in.

**Elizabeth Kompass:** If I am a school teacher, I will teach the children to read and write and do their spelling. I will play songs for them.

**Gerald Wright:** I would like to be a farmer. I would take care of my horses, cows, chickens and pigs. I would milk my cows and plant flowers and beets in my garden.

# Strathallan School

1945 - 1946

After 18 years at Strath, Madame Broutin, one of the 'chief cornerstones' of the school, retired. In her Old Girls' tribute, Jayne Coyne Welch wrote: *'Above all, we shall remember Madame's efforts to instill into her casual Canadian pupils something of La courtoisie et la morale of her beloved France.'*

**Pibroch** editor and Governor-General Medalist Elizabeth Main

rejoiced at publishing the first **Pibroch** after the war, and School Captain and Moodie Medalist Gloria McKay wrote of *'how we all felt as though a new life had opened for us'*.

Edith Chambers led the academic list with the Lieutenant-Governor's Medal and also led her house, Dee, to the Yeates Shield. Barney Morison was senior champ, with Joan Donald inter-

mediate, and Gwen Williams junior.

It may be interesting to note in passing the role that the T. Eaton Company played in the schools during these years. It worked along with the schools through its 'Eaton's Reps', here showing Alison Farmer and Betsy Murton from Strath, lower right. Eaton's provided jobs in the holidays and for the Santa Claus Parades and also furnished the major decorations for the school formals.



From the 1946 **Pibroch**, the "Eaton's Junior Fashion Council"



Mme. Broutin



Pat Carter



Gloria McKay  
School Captain; Moodie Medalist



Elizabeth Dunkin



Elizabeth Main  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist; Pibroch Editor



Shirley Griffith



Edith Chambers  
Lieutenant-Governor Medalist



Jacqueline Munro



Diana Hainsworth



Barney Morison



Margaret Morton



Margaret Leake



Barbara Brown

# Strathallan School

1946 - 1947



Margaret Souter  
School Captain



Margaret Foster



Alison Farmer  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist; Lt.-Gov.  
Medalist; Pibroch Editor



Elizabeth Jackson



Beth Murgatroyd



Doreen Rumball



Mr. Tom Peacock, OBE, Chair

Miss Virtue and Miss Fitzgerald had now nearly a quarter century of building the school, and they looked to retire in the near future. At the same time, the school was pressed to provide the services and facilities for modern educational needs.

So, too, went another 'fixture', the very popular and 22-year veteran, Miss E.M. Evans. Her science lab on the third floor not only served the girls, but also the boys from Hillfield in earlier days. There are many stories from Joyce Ferrie Young and Helen Evans Rice of the twitters in the hearts of the

Vla girls caused by these visits. In addition to her role as Brown-Owl, Miss Evans was a stalwart of the *Pibroch* advertising team for all her years.

To address the financial and accommodation issues, a new advisory team was established with Mr. Tom Peacock succeeding W.S. Burrill as Chair. Dr. H.A. Peacock chaired a Provisional Committee of 16 members to plan for the future of Strathallan. They decided to raise \$30,000 for the purchase of the school from the founders, retire the mortgages and look for a new location.

It was a momentous year in the life

of the school, as School Captain Margaret Souter relates. The only big news of the year was the approaching retirements of the Founders. *'It has been through their unflinching efforts and high ideals that Strathallan has gained such a high reputation across Canada.'*

Alison Farmer led the school academically, winning both the Governor-General's and Lieutenant's Medals. Beth Murgatroyd led More to the Yeates Shield, and Barney Morison, Jane Hamilton and Angela Frost were the sports champs.



Volleyball 1947

Joyce Fox, Gwen Gilmour, Joan Rumney, ?, Barney Morison, Elizabeth Jackson, Marg Souter, ?, Diane Braden



Miss Evans



The Champs pic from *The Spectator*: Jane, Barney and Angela

# Strathallan School

1947 - 1948

With the pending retirement of Miss Virtue and Miss Fitzgerald at the end of the year, it was also the end of an era. The school continued to hum under School Captain Bengie Ellis, and the all rounder Elaine Lewin, who was both Governor-General's and Lieutenant-Governor's Medal winner, and also led Earn to the Yeates Shield.

*Pibroch* editor Joan Kelday reflected on the dismal state of Europe three years after the war, and the work the Strath girls had done in providing food, clothes and toys for the children of Europe. She also paid great praise to the Strathallan Headmistresses.

Bengie Ellis gave the girls' 'au revoir' to the Ladies, *'these two beloved*

*counsellors whom we shall always hold in affectionate regard'*. At the same time, she welcomed Miss Mills, their successor as Headmistress, eminently suited to carry on.

The last year played out, in class, in the gym, the Playhouse and the fields. On the fields, Evelyn Smith took the senior C.S. Wilcox Cup, Marion Armstrong the intermediate and Myrna Weaver the junior.

*Members of the Old Girls' Association who attended Strathallan School 25 years ago were caught in a smiling mood by the cameraman at the tea. They are (back row, left to right) Mrs. Hardy Awrey (Fannie Hamilton), Mrs. Hugh D. Robertson (Lallie Bell), Mrs. Denys Rice (Helen Evans), Mrs. Rolph Barnes (Marnie Holton). Front row: Mrs. R.H. Innes (Libbie Greening), Mrs. James Weir Thomson (Bebe Southam), and Mrs. David Dreury (Betty Holton).*



1947 Strathmore Basketball Champions



**Via Class  
1947 - 48**

*Left side: Diane Braden, Kathleen Briggs, Barbara Comes, Evelyn Smith, Marlane Rigby  
Middle: Bengie Ellis (School Captain)  
Right side: Doris Mann, Elaine Lewin (Governor-General Medalist; Lieutenant-Governor Medalist), Joyce Fox, Barbara Jamieson, Joan Kelday (Pibroch Editor)*

# Strathallan School

## A Fond Au Revoir



Both Fanny Hamilton Awrey and Mabel Douglas Malley had remarkable tributes to two women who not only changed the lives of countless girls, but also the face of pre-war Hamilton.

To Miss Virtue, whose caring, custody and humour inspired the hearts and minds of the girls, and to

Miss Fitzgerald who at the 'Holmstead' productions 'like a humming bird... darted about, reassuring a trembling fairy, adjusting a crown, adding a dab of rouge', the tributes poured in.

Of all the wonderful aspects of the school, the most difficult has been to give some idea of the envi-

ronment of the drama program. It was Miss Fitzgerald's complete domain. We have substantial written words of Miss Virtue, but very few from Miss Fitzgerald. In the end, she wrote her *Story of an Old Stable*, her Playhouse. Not surprisingly, it is a fantastical story of the Old Stable of the Red Brick House where the

*strangers from the West.' Life stirred again. The Old Stable became 'The Playhouse' and 'One-Who-Could-Draw' painted a sign which was hung outside, and two carriage lamps were placed at the door whenever a play was given, to remind everyone that the building had once been a stable'.*

She ends by playing the role of the Old Stable: 'I do not know what the future will bring to me, but even if the children come no more, I have fulfilled myself, for I have given happiness, and I shall always have my dreams.'

And thus they retired to vacation briefly abroad, and then to live across the street from the school they had founded and loved.

And their 'girls' said thank you.

children conversed with Father Robin, the mice and Old Horse. Then the owner died and the children grew up and went away. The house and stable fell into disrepair. 'For the first time, *The Old Stable* felt lonely.'

Then one day 'there came two



*The Yellow Dwarf: 'Not a few sensational moments and a lovely lady carried off by a ferocious tiger to the lair of the yellow Monster.'*

# News of the World

*and News of Hamilton - ca.1950*

The years between the end of the War and the end of the decade were very active for the citizens of Hamilton. Having emerged from the War as the industrial heartland of the war effort, and now the heartland for the post war boom, things looked very promising.

At the global level, we were back at war in Korea, this time against the 'red plague', communism. While the Americans took the overwhelming lead, Canada, the Commonwealth and Turkey also played significant roles. With Russia and China on the opposite side, the matter was by no means a done thing, and eventually split Korea into a communist North and democratic South. There were two big issues in the war: should the Americans use atomic weapons to end the war, and should they invade China to fight communism there? The answer to both questions, thankfully, was 'no'.

This was the last of the old time wars, and what wasn't decided was how these conflicts would be resolved in future. As both the communist and democratic sides had won, or not lost, both in Korea and against the Nazis, they both still thought they could 'win' over each other. This mind-set would govern the policies of the Cold War.

Global tensions were fuelled by the

implacable differences between the two outlooks. Communism rejected private property, capitalist free enterprise and God, and its mission was to liberate all those it deemed subject to the Western tenets. When Igor Guzenko was captured in Ottawa as a Soviet spy, huge fears unleashed in the States, culminating in Senate trials on un-American activities led by Senator Joe McCarthy. Our foreign Minister, Lester B. Pearson, was labeled, and one of our Ambassadors committed suicide because his career was ruined by the committee's allegations. The American entertainment industry was savaged.

Canada took two principal positions concerning these issues. First, it suggested and supported the creation of NATO to stop the Soviet encroachment in Europe. This had two effects. It did stop the encroachment, but it also generated huge fears among the Russians, and gave them tacit permission to keep the Eastern European states under their thumb.

Secondly, Canada changed its military role from that of potential belligerent to that of peacekeeper. This was

the initiative of Mike Pearson who won the Nobel Peace Prize for it.

With the addition of Newfoundland and Labrador as the tenth province, Canada's future looked very promising.

In Hamilton, as all over the country, it was a time of great hope and great fear. The great fear resulted from the nuclear threat, but also closer to home, the fear of polio, which in 1953 struck 8,000 Canadians. The great hope stemmed from the economic momentum from the war production combining with the return of the veterans and the influx of immigrants, all of which combined to create boom times. Both Stelco and Dofasco invested huge sums to double their capacity and dominate civic affairs.

The City's population grew 25% between 1945 and 1955, and this created great pressure on housing and services. In the early '50s the price of houses increased 22%. New land for development on the Mountain led to expensive access road construction. Mill rates continued to rise.

Prosperous times also bring their challenges. Society became used to the wage and price con-

trols of the war, but the war was over. Labour rates remained low in all services, and that bred unrest. The dairy, postal and HSR workers all fought for better terms, and struck when pressed. Low wages were not enough to save the textile industry which fell to Japanese imports. The city chose to stay with the prevailing industrial model, even though it was losing its lighter industries to Toronto and the West.

Civic life in Hamilton was robust. New plans for city core development were well advanced, and the Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra presented its first concert. Ellen Fairclough was elected to Parliament from Hamilton West, the first woman MP in Canada. On the new economy side, McMaster attracted a nuclear reactor to its program, and was building in many other respects.

The great event of the time was the 1951 visit of Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh. Even a short stop stirred the hearts.

For our schools, the end of the war also brought the end of eras. Misses Virtue and Fitzgerald, and Arthur Kilip had mirrored the times with schools of vision and wisdom. It would now be up to their successors to carry the schools into the new era.



*The Hon. Ellen Fairclough, first woman MP in Canada*

# Restoring the Military Roots 1950 - 1962

## Hillfield School: School to College

The new 'younger shoulders' onto which Arthur Killip passed the school were those of John P. Page.

From the prominent Toronto family of architects, John Page graduated from Upper Canada College and took his bachelor's degree at Trinity College, University of Toronto. In 1935, he was appointed as a master at Ridley College in St. Catharine's, Ontario, teaching in both the Lower and Upper Schools.

When war broke out in

1939, Mr. Page enlisted with the Toronto Scottish Regiment, and by 1944 was serving as Assistant Adjutant General on General Dwight Eisenhower's staff at Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces, holding the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

After demobilizing from the army at the end of World War II, he held the position of House Master of School House at Appleby College in Oakville. He arrived at Hillfield as the new Headmaster in 1950.

John Page was a man of many interests. For years he had a close association with Onondaga Camp, and in the latter years he was master-in-charge. He was also a strong churchman and a lay reader in the Anglican Church. On the music front he supported the Hamilton Conservatory

of Music, and was honoured by it as Fellow. And, as many will remember, he was devoted to the cadet movement. At Appleby, and then at Hillfield, he was Commanding Officer and Chief Instructor of the Corps, and his preference was to be addressed formally as 'Colonel'. But he was commonly known as 'JP'.

He is remembered as a man whose focus was the education of boys and young men. Like his predecessor, he loved to coach the teams and be with the boys. His wife, Joan, was known for her charm and hospitality, and the two were off on a new and exciting adventure.

At Hillfield, John Page inherited a preparatory school of high reputation and very productive and energetic students, a record 153 of them, including a

new kindergarten class. There was a small debt of \$10,000, and still great concern for the salary levels of the masters. There were no pensions.

His goal was to evolve the school from its solid preparatory base into a college. In a classical British sense, this would mean shifting the class make-up from kindergarten to grade ten to grade seven through thirteen. A few colleges kept the lower grades, and that was his intent for Hillfield.

The elements of these colleges in the 1950s were academics leading to university entrance, Christian but non-denominational chapel, cadets, and a strong sports program. Because of the limited salaries, academic expectations included preparation for university, but it was not uncommon for students to

From *The Hamilton Spectator*: Lt.-Col. Page (centre) with the late Vincent Massey and General H.D.G. Crerar, Commander of the 1st Canadian Army. Col. Page was General Staff Officer in charge of the Canadian Intelligence Corps, under General Crerar, 1942-43. General Crerar, an Old Boy of Highfield, went from the College to RMC. Vincent Massey was Patron and Visitor of HSC, 1957-66.



take an extra year to gain all nine courses. The mission was to build 'leaders', and the 3 C's were the means: chapel, cadets and cricket. Sometimes a fourth C was added for caning! Of course, football and hockey were the boys' favourites.

School libraries were the part-time hobby of a committed master, and books, especially up-to-date books, were scarce. Neither the students nor the program actually required very many, apart from the text-books. Music depended very much on the music master and often was most noticeable in the cadet band or musical production, if there was one. Generally, there were popular drama productions, but delivered in make-shift or rented facilities.

The morale in the private schools, and in Hillfield, was very high. Most of the students who finished Grade 13 made it into university eventually, and as the teachers' salaries, academic program, resources and facilities grew,

the straight entry of students into university reached the 90 percent mark.

The new Head got straight on with his vision, and in his first Prize Day he commented that the assembly hall could be converted into a chapel *'to help foster a spirit of reverence and remembrance, and to give the school that spiritual centre to its life which is so important'*.

Cadets had been reintroduced that year following a short history in the latter Highfield days. The affiliation was with the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry Regiment, and the goal expressed as *'for the purpose of valuable training in deportment, discipline, mental alertness and leadership'*.

Dr. Colin Stearn chaired the Board that hired John Page, and Fred Martin took over from G.E.F. Smith, Jr., as secretary. Colin Lazier '35 joined the Board for the first time as the Old Boy representative.

Things were moving.



*Dr. and Mrs. Stearn, Mrs. Page, Mr. Killip, and Mr. Page seen together after prize giving*



*Cadets at Hillfield circa 1950*

# Hillfield School

1950 - 1951



James Garrow  
Head Boy, Boar Editor



Ian Bell



Billy Graham



Jim Brown



Don Cameron

Jim Garrow was Head Boy and editor of the *Boar*, with Ian Bell as assistant editor. Billy Graham was the sports star, as he would go on to be at St. Andrew's College. This year he captained the undefeated football team, co-captained the hockey team with Jim Brown, and as Senior Champ, 'won everything'! He already had many records under his belt. Don Cameron captained the cricket team. It was a

very successful first year for the new Headmaster.

A new tray, the Wardrope Memorial Tray, was presented for the overall combined academic and activities house championship. It was presented by the Wardrope family in memory of John ('35-'37) who died while at the school. The first winner was Cedars, House Captain Fred Tice.



C.H. Stearn, MA, BD, PhD, Chair



From *The Hamilton Spectator*: Hillfield Mothers' Association served tea at the annual Sports Day at the school, the ladies in this picture being (left to right) Mrs. F.R. Murgatroyd, chairman of the association; Mrs. D.H. Wigle, Mrs. A.C. Hill (general convenor) and Mrs. J.H. Lee.



Back row: Radcliffe Weaver, Billy Graham, William Willis  
Front row: James Brown, Fred Tice, James Garrow, Ian Cameron

# Hillfield School

1951 - 1952

With the cadet program in place and the Chapel in prospect, Mr. Page started the final thread in the conversion of Hillfield from school to College. Over the next three years, the boys would progress through to Senior Matriculation.

Academically, Ian Cameron would lead the way winning top academic honours each year, and editing the *Boar* with the able assistance of John Evans. Sports continued to be a main interest of the boys, with Doug Muir captaining football, Fred Lee and Radcliffe Weaver hockey, and Brian Wright cricket. Brian also led Cedars to another Wardrobe Tray Championship.

There was impressive progress on the Old Boy front. Col. F.C. Thomson '11, M.C., E.D., the principal supporter of the reintroduction of

cadets to the school and vice-chair of the Board, was appointed Honourary Colonel of the RHLI, with Lt. Col. H.F. Lazier '19 his Honourary Lieutenant Colonel. Phil Muntz '46 was studying aeronautical engineering at the University of Toronto, Colin Stearn '44 and Bruce Bates '47 were both in post graduate work at Yale, and Brad Smith '47 won the Beaverbrooke Scholarship to study in London, England. To top it all off, Patrick Barrington, a war time visitor, finished a first class Medicine Tripos at Cambridge, and was appointed Fellow of Clare College.

Bill Braden '29 assumed the chair of the Governors from Colin Stearn and helped John Page in the new direction for the school. Cheever Scott, Colin Stearn and Ken Wood remained active members of the Board.



W.G. Braden, Chair



Cheever Scott (left) and Ken Wood were both still active members of the Board of Governors.



From *The Hamilton Spectator*: Parents and friends, teachers and students, had a happy opportunity to meet at the beginning of a new school season following the running of the annual cross-country races at Hillfield School. The Mothers' Association of the school was responsible for the delightful tea hour. Some of the Association's executive for the new year are pictured above. From the left are: Mrs. C.H. Playfair, secretary; Mrs. James Garrow, president; Mrs. John P. Page, wife of the new headmaster and honorary president; and Mrs. A.G.O. Bahr, vice-president.



Tom Hazell



Ian Cameron  
Boar Editor



Doug Muir



Fred Lee



Brian Wright

# Hillfield School

1952 - 1953



J. B. Simpson, President - Old Boys' Association



Ian Cameron



Brian Wright



Jim Evel



J.F. Butler, Senior Master

The definition of 'College' assumes that there are several related 'schools' which make up the 'College'.

With the enrolment at an impressive 183 boys, Hillfield was divided into schools, with the beloved Freddie Butler appropriately holding the Senior Master post plus heading up the Junior School, Geoff Steel heading the Senior School, and Miss Phyllis Millen the Primary.

The sports program continued to take up most of the boys' time extra-curricularly, but drama remained very strong.

Ian Cameron kept the academic lead, with Brian Wright taking the Lieutenant-Governor's Medal and the boxing championship! Jimmy Evel led Cedars to a third Wardrobe Tray, and Mrs. Hendrie donated the trophy for the Marshall Mile in memory of Col. W.R. Marshall, DSO.



From *The Hamilton Spectator*: This group of Hillfield mothers includes Mrs. A.G.O. Bahr, new president of the Hillfield Mothers' Association, succeeding Mrs. James Garrow, among those gathered at the tea hour following Prize Day ceremonies. Left to right are: Mrs. J.S. Callaghan, Mrs. D.A. Warren (convenor of the tea), Mrs. Bahr, Mrs. E.R. Freel, and Mrs. C.H. Playfair

Back row: Barnes, Cameron I., Lloyd, Goldblatt, Beattie  
Middle row: Evans, Evel, Currie, E. Hill, Appleford, Jacques, Freel  
Front row: Lee, Mr. Page, Hazell (Captain), Mr. Crerar, Moes



His Honour Louis O. Breithaupt, Mr. Page, Lt.-Col. Labatt, Mrs. Breithaupt, Mr. Braden, Mrs. Braden, and Mrs. Page on Prize Day, 1953



# Hillfield School

1953 - 1954

The school leaders continued with Ian Cameron maintaining his academic lead. John Evans assisted Ian with editing the *Boar*. Jim Evel, Rod Weaver and Fred Lee energized the sports. Jim took the Smye Cup winning five major events and setting records in three! He also led Cedars to the Cleland Shield. Colin Glassco won the Harold Parke Junior Cup.

As the enrolment continued to grow, the Board added new facilities, and this year they included badly needed science labs.

The life of the school also expanded thanks to some very creative teaching. Gerald Wright remembers True Davidson, an English teacher and later famous Toronto politician. She instigated the publication of the new tabloid, *The Piglet*, coming out *from time to time as weather and temper permitted*.

Reviews of the content varied from 'controversial and witty' to 'corny, babyish, misleading and non-sensical' to others. Clearly it was a good production and has maintained its reputation through the years!

A major echo of the past was produced under the patronage of the new chair of the Board Col. Thomson. Bill Thomson '42, his artist son, painted the portrait of Arthur Killip that now hangs at the College.



Colonel F.C. Thomson '11, Chair



The new science labs



Officers, WO's and NCO's of the Cadet Corps, 1953-54

Back row: L./Cpls. R.C. Lee, F.A. Roy, J.E.T. Dillane, H.L. Gallagher, G.C. Rayner, H.R. Appleford  
Third row: L./Cpl. G.T.C. Gibson, Cpls. M. Chater, W.M. Currie, D.M. Stewart, J.F. Evans, L./Cpl. W.R. Barnes  
Second row: L.Sgt. J.D. Beattie, Sgts. R.S. Weaver, I.M. Cameron, H.L. Wilkinson  
Front row: CSM C.R. Freel, Lt. J.J. Evel, Capt. F.J. Lee, Lt. M. Moes, WOII T.P. Hazell (Band)

# Hillfield School

1954 - 1955



Bill Barnes  
Head Boy



Colin Freel



John Evans



Gerry Wigle



Jim Evel  
CO Cadets

The new College took shape with this year's substantial graduating class. Bill Barnes led the boys both as Head Boy and Head Prefect. And familiar names pulled their weight, too. John Evans finished his career as editor of the *Boar*, and also joined Bill in the debating victory over Strathallan as previously reported. Tom Hazell, Jim Evel and Gerry Wigle captained the three major teams, with Tom taking the Smye Cup. Jim led the Cadets as CO.

The Old Boys continued to succeed in a variety of pursuits. Ranny Evans '35, John C. Munro '48, and Brian Morison '41 were all elected to local government seats. Bill Thomson '42 had six pictures hung in London galleries, and David Fensome was elected Fellow of the

Royal Institute of Chemists. Further, the Association sponsored a \$175 bursary in memory of the fallen in WWII.

The school was growing, but so was the perennial albatross, the debt. The mortgage was now at \$30,000, a considerable sum for the day; the teachers' pension plan had just started, and the receipts from a drive to eliminate the debt amounted to only \$8,000. At this point, Mr. Harold Leather, Sir Edwin's father, stepped in to chair a renewed campaign, and also donated a valuable bursary to the school.

Clearly, there was excellent support for the vision for the school. Under those conditions, great things can happen if the vision is matched by reasonable financial supports.



W.R. Barnes '19, Chair



## Boar Staff

Back row: Sturgeon, Sniderman, McNaim I, Mr. Carson, Miss Davidson, Mr. Davis, Mr. Butler, Rayner, Wigle G.  
Front row: Lee, Wright G., Evans I., Gallagher, Lumsen, Barnes I.



Mr. Stuart Waters, new staff member



Miss Winifred Lowndes, Head of Primary

# Hillfield School

1955 - 1956

The growth of the school can be seen in the greater number of boys sharing responsibility and achievement honours. This year's Head Boy was Robert Lee, while Mike Stewart was Head Prefect. Fred Wilkinson led the Cadets Corps, while Bob Lee edited the *Boar*.

On the sports side, Anno Hill captained hockey and cricket, was Smye Cup winner and led Pines to both the Cleland and Wardrope honours.

News from the Old Boys included Hartley Zimmerman's '19 appointment as Chairman of the Defence Research Board in Ottawa. Bill Braden '29 set the new Canadian speed boat record at 154.8 m.p.h., and Ted Heaven went north to teach in a Native Canadian school at Hudson's Bay before

returning to Trinity College Divinity School.

Of special interest were the comments of the Board chair, Ralph Barnes at the first June Prize Day. His topic was conformity of thought, a topic relevant both to the new more structured life at the school and on the confrontational world stage. At that time, one might have expected his theme to lead to the direct support of those pillars supporting western democracies, including the military and political views prevalent at the time. It would have been very easy to do.

Instead, he talked of the *'fallacies tending to encourage a certain uniformity and regimentation of thought. The protagonists of such fallacies tried to justify their views by claiming that thinking people were the maladjusted, frus-*

*trated people in society'. Some conformity is good, the Golden Rule, for instance, as some aggressive non-conformity is not always useful. 'We should choose our ground thoughtfully and hold it with courage and honesty'.*

As we know, the next few decades would demonstrate

just how important those thoughts were. Those who returned from the War to lead the schools were building to make sure we were not caught again in such maelstroms. They used the tools that they knew and that had served them well.



Class of 1956  
Robert Lee, Paul Kelley, Michael Stewart, Colin Rayner  
Absent: Howard Wilkinson



Robert Lee  
Head Boy



Mike Stewart  
Head Prefect



Fred Wilkinson



Robert Lee  
Boar Editor



Anno Hill

# Hillfield School

1956 - 1957

While the College program was firmly established, the old traditions of moving off to the boarding schools after Grade 10 would continue to draw many boys away for the next two decades. This year, there were only two boys in the graduating class, Head Prefect David Ward and Head Boy Duncan McLaren. As *Boar* editor, Gerald Wright commented on the rising academic standards and stable staff for the Grade 13 program now in its fifth year. David Hill commanded the Corps.

On the sports scene, the boys were very active. Gary Kohler led the football team, and Hill the cricket. Maples took both the Cleland and Wardrobe competitions, and Bill Braden won the Smye Cup.

This year saw two long-time Patrons of the College pass away, Major General Mewburn and Howard Ambrose. Both had a very long history with the schools and had provided key support. So it was particularly fortunate that

new announcements were made to fill the gaps.

The school was highly honoured by Vincent Massey agreeing to be 'Visitor'. The Headmaster had served with him during the war.

Additionally, and importantly, General Henry Crerar '06, the Canadian Commander in Europe, and Dr. G.P. Gilmour, President of McMaster University, both became Patrons of the school.

The Old Boys' news was especially good. Coulter Osborne joined the Olympic Basketball team in Melbourne, Australia, and Billy Graham was top scorer for

the Kitchener-Waterloo Dutchmen in the ORFU, the league that preceded the CFL. Jerry Jerome played for the Halifax Symphony just before enrolling at the Julliard School in New York, and Bill Thomson painted the portrait of John Page to hang with his predecessors.

Old Boy George Parke started his term as chair of the Board of Governors.

John Page had a commitment not only to what was done in building the school, but also how it was seen in the community. He was determined to balance the two.



David Ward  
Head Prefect



Duncan McLaren  
Head Boy



Gerald Wright  
Boar Editor



Gary Kohler

Dr. G.P. Gilmour, President of McMaster University, Patron of Hillfield



Mrs. W.R. Webster, Mothers' Association President



General Harry Crerar '06, Patron of Hillfield



Portrait of John Page by Bill Thomson

Cdr. G.H. Parke '35, CD, BA, Chair



# Hillfield School

1957 - 1958

This was the year of Gerald Wright. As Head Boy, Head Perfect and editor of the *Boar*, his contribution was immense. He also co-captained the cricket team with Peter Holman who also captained both football and hockey. It was a dynamic duo.

Bill Braden was senior champ, with Bob Han-

naford leading Pines to both Cleland and Wardrope wins.

There was lots of news from the Old Boys. Ted Leather pointed out in a letter to the school that the only democracies emerging from Europe after WWII were monarchies. Bill Hatch joined the Board of Maple Leaf Gardens, the original home of the Maple Leafs

while Jim Thomson moved to *The Hamilton Spectator*. John Frid starred in the Yale production of *Caesar and Cleopatra*, while Billy Graham completed a very successful season with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats. To top it all off, Derwyn Owen was appointed Provost of Trinity where he had a splendid career.



Back row: Gerald Wright, F. Roy, Bob Hannafor, Don McLean  
Front row: Cameron, Rosenberg



Gerald Wright  
Head Boy



Peter Holman  
Captain, Football/Hockey



Bill Braden  
Senior Champ



Bob Hannafor



David Hill



The Hillfield Mothers' Association Executive Committee



From *The Hamilton Spectator*: Prominent last night at the banquet that marked the inauguration of the Hillfield Foundation were, left to right: John Page, headmaster of Hillfield School; J.G. Langs president of the Hillfield Old Boys' Foundation; G.H. Parke, chairman of the school's board of governors; and Peter Kay, main speaker at the banquet. The event was held in Fischer's Hotel.

# Hillfield School

1958 - 1959



Kip Hunter  
Head Boy



Lewis Stolman  
Head Prefect, Football Captain



Tim Tyler  
Cricket Co-captain



Rick Martin  
Cricket Co-captain



Peter Barnes  
Hockey Co-captain

This was another active year in the life of the boys. Lewis Stolman and Kip Hunter were Head Prefect and Head Boy respectively, while Peter Holman led the Corps. Peter also captained both the football and hockey teams, while Tim Tyler and Rick Martin shared the cricket. Kip helped the Birches to the Wardrobe Tray, while Rick did the same for Maples and the Cleland Shield. Peter Barnes won the Smye Cup.

Two more pillars of support were taken from the school with the deaths of St. Clair Balfour, Sr., and Bill Braden, who lost his life in a motor boat race. They would both be deeply missed.

Under the chairmanship of Colin Glassco, the school continued its restructuring. The name was officially changed to Hillfield College,

and a new foundation was created separate from the Old Boys' Association, though it would have four seats on its Board. The goals of the Foundation were: 1) general social facilitation among the constituencies of the College 2) raising money and 3) whatever else the Board might ask of it.

As at Strathallan, there were plans afoot for facility expansion. The enrolment stood at 260 boys, and the target was 325. On the program front, John Page emphasized the importance of flexibility of thought and action. International tensions arise from lack of both. Hillfield would produce leaders who would be flexible. That flexibility would be needed sooner than they thought, and closer rather than farther afield.

## In Memoriam



Bill Braden



Cdr. Colin Glassco '19, Chair



## Cadets 1959

Back row: L/Cpls. Sangster, Aldwinckle, A/L/Cpls. Barnes II, Bullivant, L/Cpl. Mason  
Fourth row: A/L/Cpl. Neichenbauer, L/Cpl. Arrell, A/L/Cpls. Bishop, Kozlowski, L/Cpl. Grisenthwaite, A/L/Cpls. Palmer, Cole, L/Cpl. Ross  
Third row: Cpls. Webster, Browning, A/Cpls. Benedict, Wallwork, Cpls. Connell, Thomson, L/Cpl. Stevenson  
Second row: L/Cpl. Gilman, L/Sgt. Austin, Sgts. Stewart, Martin, Robertson, Robins, A/Cpl. Stewart  
Front row: Lts. Hunter, Barnes I, Stolman, Maj. Holman, Lts. Hannaford, Cameron, CSM Fuller

# Hillfield School

1959 - 1960

The Head Prefect and CO of the Corps this year was Al Hannaford. Hamish Robertson and Chris Thomson shared the Head Boy honours, while Peter Barnes captained football and Jim Stewart captained hockey. Peter also won the Smye Cup. The Cleland Shield went to Pines, Al Hannaford, captain, and the Wardrope to Maples, Rick Martin, captain.

Hamish highlights one of the often overlooked activities of school life, the school trip. His was to the West on a train powered by the latest diesel engines, or so they thought until they awoke looking more like happy coal miners with a quarter inch of black soot covering them. *'School trips are often defining moments in young lives, and I hope they are still a tradition at HSC.'* Happily they are.

After some three decades and four school administrations, Mr. Heaven passed away this year. For several years he had been the first Headmaster Emeritus, and a fine portrait hanging in the school com-

memorates his service.

On the Old Boy front, Mike Moes was elected president of the Carlton University Students Council, and Ed Dillane made the under-21 Canadian Cricket Team touring England. Billy Graham played hockey for Canada in the world tournament again.

The major school news was the necessity for moving from its property to make way for the new Highway 403. Strathallan was in a similar tight facility position, so the Boards of the schools decided to move together to join the schools to the extent that they would share some staff, facilities and resources with each other. Helped by the kind graces of the Hon. Ray McConnell, and good work of Sam Ross, a new property of 35 acres was purchased for \$48,000 on the west Mountain just across from the Balfour estate. Mohawk College later moved in beside the school.

The whole project was budgeted at \$1,000,000 and with the assets in hand, the joint Boards

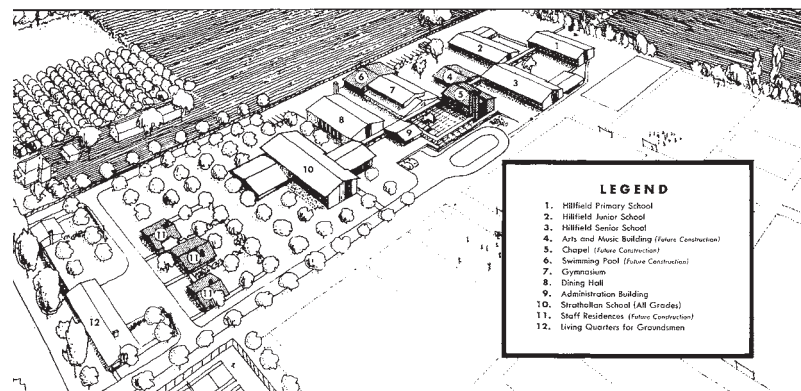
thought that they needed \$275,000 in additional funds to finish the deal. Both schools were strong in enrolment, program and results, and both were optimistic for the new venture.

Perhaps there were ions in the

air, because Robert Morris, a distinguished Old Boy, this year won the Royal Institute of British Architecture Medal. The architects and school committees in Hamilton would be working overtime to have the new facilities open in time.



Boar Staff



HUSBAND & WALLACE, ARCHITECTS



Hamish Robertson  
Head Boy



Tim Tyler



Al Hannaford  
Head Prefect, CO of Corps



Peter Barnes  
Captain Football



Jim Stewart  
Captain Hockey

# Hillfield School

1960 - 1961



John Mason  
Head Boy; Head Prefect



Derwyn Sangster  
Boar Editor



Mike Smedley  
CO Cadets



Dan Hardie



Barry Sanderson

Again the school went somewhat into limbo as the plans evolved for the move. The move was originally planned for the fall of 1961, but another year would pass before it happened.

John Mason was both Head Boy and Head Prefect, while Derwyn Sangster edited the *Boar*. Mike Smedley was CO of Cadets. The sports results were very good, particularly in cricket where Tim Tyler captained the team to an undefeated season. Dan Hardie and Barry Sanderson led the football, and Barry was also captain of the Cleland Shield winning Pines house. John Mason led Maples to the Wardrobe Tray.

Community news that year included the passing of the former Chairman of the

Board, H.K. Woods. He had been a great help to Arthur Killip in the years just prior to his retirement. Air Vice-Marshall Henry Carscallen '30 was appointed Air Officer Commanding Training Command and Doug Scott '42 was elected as Trustee to the Hamilton Board of Education. Hamish Robertson won a Trevelyan Scholarship to Oxford to pursue his interest in particle physics.

The school was flourishing, yet still haunting the future was the nagging problem of financing the new campus. The public subscription had reached, indeed exceeded, its \$400,000 goal which left \$700,000 to raise from the sale of the two properties.



Air Vice-Marshall Henry Carscallen

This would mean that the Hillfield property needed a favourable by-law ruling from the city, and in that the balance hung.

The Boards of both Hillfield and Strathallan,

having agreed to share a new campus, went a step further and united the Boards into one 'Hillfield-Strathallan' body. Assuming the challenging role of new chair, was Bill (W.V.) Holton '32.



Bill (W.V.) Holton '32, new chair of Hillfield and Strathallan

It would take steady hands to keep things afloat.



Mrs. Joan Clark, Mothers' Association President



New staff, Mr. John Carruthers



Mr. John Smith '56, new staff

# Hillfield School

1961 - 1962

This would be the last year for the school in Westdale. Over the thirty years there, it had evolved from the fledgling heir of Highfield to a robust college. While there was great anticipation about the impending move, the life at the school thrived. Derwyn Sangster provided astonishing leadership as Head Boy, Head Prefect and CO of Cadets. He also captained the soccer team. Bob Holmes was captain of football, and Mike Smedley edited the *Boar*.

The big news from the Old Boys was the knight-hood of Ted Leather, now, Sir Edwin. It was a fitting acknowledgement of splendid service to Britain and the Commonwealth. Closer to home, Angus Scott was appointed Headmaster of

Trinity College School, and would serve out a very productive tenure. Among the younger graduates, the first-time report from Osgoode Hall chronicled John Evans, Bob Lee, Dana Smith, Colin Rayner and Doug Muir all moving steadily ahead in their law careers.

Once again an era was ending. The next had enormous potential but equally large challenges. How would the co-ordinate schools of the new Colleges both partner in the new facilities and keep their own proud traditions? The girls had indicated in their *Pibroch* editorials some stand on their place on the new campus. The boys appear to have thought it would be business as usual. Staff salaries and school fees between the schools were quite different, and the

looming debt incurred by the move would add considerable strain to the spirit of collaboration.

Ready or not, the move was on, but first we must see how Strathallan fared in the years from the retirement of Miss Virtue and Miss Fitzgerald, to the move on the mountain.



Col. and Mrs. Page



Dr. Harry Thode, New President of McMaster University, Patron of HSC



Ken Ketchum



Derwyn Sangster  
Head Boy, Head Prefect, CO Cadets



Bob Holmes  
Football Captain



Mike Smedley  
Boar Editor



Back row: J.A. McGregor, P.C. Wright, K.G. Cooper, R.E. Wray, A.C. Peters

Third row: J.W. Morrison, W.E. Coron, T.J. McKay

Second row: J.S. Gilman, P.H. Ashenhurst, W.I. Kelley, D.J. Sangster, B.K. Barnes

Front row: R.E. Holmes, Mr. J.P. Page, T.E. Gosling (Captain), B.S. Sanderson, Mr. J.A. Carruthers, T.J.B. Tyler

# Finding the Way 1948 - 1962

## *Strathallan School - A Difficult Act to Follow*

The Founders had built a unique educational community and were a very hard act to follow. The magical spell they wove was deep and very well defined. Unfortunately, it also covered over some very real challenges for those receiving the baton.

These matters included a weak financial structure and weakening enrolment. Strong leadership was needed, both from the Head and the Board to keep the school afloat. Its biggest asset was the incredibly strong allegiance of a committed corps of Old Girls whose accomplishments had been remarkable.

Numbers of students in the senior years had always been small, and most of the girls went off to other schools to complete their Grade 13. In 1949-50, of the full-time students enrolled, only 5 were in their final Junior Matric year,

and some 30 in high-school altogether. Fees were already comparable to other similar private schools, and the facilities, while well kept, were small and bare. The Mistresses' salaries were very low and included no pension arrangements.

Balancing all of that was the incredible spirit of the community led by the Old Girls and a formidable list of patrons: Mrs. C.M. Doolittle, Mrs. Colin Gibson, Mrs. William Hendrie, Mrs. I. Olmstead, Mrs C.S. Wilcox, St. Clair Balfour, W.S. Burrill, Gordon Ferrie and the Hon. C.W.G. Gibson, KC, MC.

On they went to build life after the Founders.

*The editorial from the 1949 Pibroch*

## ...EDITORIALS...

We should like to take this opportunity of welcoming to the School our new principal, Miss Evelyn Mills, and of wishing her many long, happy years at Strathallan. She comes to us with a wealth of experience in teaching and leadership and has already won our admiration and respect.

Miss Virtue and Miss Fitzgerald returned last fall from the Old Country where they enjoyed a well-deserved vacation. We have seen them often, enthusiastically applauding a junior skit or attending a more formal tea, but always keenly and genuinely interested in the School.

Quality was the motto for the Sewing Competition this year. The articles showed long hours of careful work, amply rewarded by the great number sold. Under Miss Nash's capable supervision a delightful tea accompanied the Competition and provided an opportunity for many parents to meet Miss Mills, the staff, and the girls.

In previous years when girls reached VIa they were referred to as the "leaving class". But this year it will be different for there is to be a senior matriculation course at Strathallan. Most of us in VIa came to the School in the senior forms and yet we feel as though we had been here for years, so much has it become a part of us. In former years, Miss Virtue's patience in the class-room, Miss Fitzgerald's skill and enthusiasm in preparing the plays, and now Miss Mills' capable leadership all leave their mark upon us as we prepare for the years ahead.

With the end of the second great world conflict in 1945 came new hopes of peace and prosperity. But these were rudely shattered by a new aggressive power which again threatened to plunge the world into chaos; by the unrest in the Holy Land, and by difficulties within the peace organization itself — the United Nations. That group of statesmen and politicians has, however, made some progress in righting affairs in Europe so that perhaps within the next decade the sun will once more shine on this troubled world.

# Strathallan School

## *Miss Mills*

**W**hile conditions for the school had improved enormously in the last years of Misses Virtue and Fitzgerald, there were still both financial and enrolment concerns to address. Like Arthur Killip at Hillfield, they knew that younger shoulders should take up the challenge.

The new Headmistress appointed to the task was Miss Evelyn Mills, OBE, BA. She came to the position superbly qualified. Having graduated from University College, University of Toronto in Honours English and History in 1927, and briefly working for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, she started her teaching career in 1929. By the start of the Second World War, she had risen to Assistant to

the Headmistress of Elmwood School, a highly respected girls' school in Ottawa.

Signing up in the WRCNS, the women's branch of the Canadian Navy, she served both in Canada and England, being the first Canadian officer to command the officers' training course. In 1946 she was demobilized with the rank of Commander, and was appointed Dominion Supervisor of the Joint Committee on Girls' Work for the Church of England (in Canada). She came from that position, and a highly structured and organized past, to head Strathallan.

An active golfer, Miss Mills was a member of the National Executive of the Canadian Ladies Golf Association, and held vari-

ous club championships in addition to the Ottawa district championship. It

looked to be an excellent succession.



*Miss Evelyn Mills*



*Miss Mills receiving the Order of the British Empire from his excellency the Governor-General for her important contributions during WWII as a Commander of the Women's Royal Canadian Naval Service*

# Strathallan School

1948 - 1949



Joan Rumney  
School Captain



Barbara Elliott  
Pibroch Editor



Bev White  
Games Captain



Mary Game



Rhona Barnett

Miss Mills came in with a strong educational, military and church background. The themes she espoused were the twin goals of democracy and discipline. To build democracy into the system, she encouraged the girls, especially the prefects, to participate more in the

running of activities. These were now run primarily through a reduced number of three houses. Strathdee and Strathmore were retired in order to have larger house memberships for stronger house activities and competitions. This did improve the calibre of competition and was well-

received by the girls. They also fielded a school basketball team, but no records remain.

On the discipline side, the prefects assumed more responsibility for uniform inspection, and the Head-mistress

explained her position. *'Discipline, much abused as it is, is the keynote to a happy life... Discipline means willing follower... All through life something will discipline you.'*

*'We all need this so that we can hope to live as Christian citizens in the Twentieth century.'*

According to one student at

the time, Miss Mills introduced a much stronger form of punishment for errant girls, and this took the community somewhat aback.



*Pibroch Staff*

Standing: Lois Unsworth, Suzanne Walsh, Eve Thomson, Pat Robinson  
Seated: Joan Kittson, Barbara Elliott, Jane Griffin, Beverley White



*Girls' Basketball Team*

# Strathallan School

1949 - 1950

The prominent Hamiltonian, St. Clair Balfour Jr., took the Chair this year. He had attended Highfield and Hillcrest before moving on to TCS in Port Hope to finish his schooling. He had a wealth of experience in business, most notably in the Southam publishing empire, and held a strong interest in education. In later years he was Chancellor of the University of Toronto.

The year was dedicated to Mrs. William Hendrie who won the first Nora Frances Henderson Memorial Award as Hamilton's Woman of the Year for 1949.

The *Pibroch* editors appropriately dubbed her, 'Godmother of Strathallan'.

As the second year of her term progressed, Miss Mills reported to the community of the necessity for planning for the future of the school. The trend towards falling enrolment

must be stopped, she cautioned. Revenues needed to be increased and expenses cut. One way to do this would be to add Grade 13, but there was no real room to do so. New facilities should be considered. Finally, she reported that another problem in attracting new girls was the perception that the school fostered 'snobs'. One senses a tone that, along with the disciplinary measures for the girls, might well ruffle the feathers of some, and this was to be Miss Mills' final year.

Life at the school none-the-less flourished. Under the Head's influence, the girls extended their interests in the arts, crafts, drama and sports to the Navy League, and Judy Butler and Elizabeth Beaton won national medals in essay writing.

As Head Girl and School Captain, Bev White set the pace. She was joined by Jane Griffin, editor of the *Pibroch*,

and Sue Walsh, who led Yre to the Counsell Cup. Alice Drynan won the Wilcox Cup as senior sports champ.

The life of the school continued with the girls and the staff, Miss Grinstead being the foundation stone, ably supported by teachers like Miss Greaves and her colleagues. Pat Kelley headed the Old Girls' Association and also taught music and French to the juniors.

The search was on to rekindle the magic.



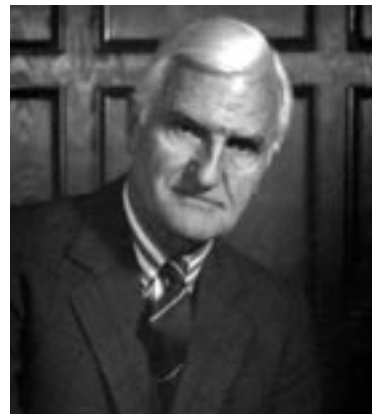
Miss Grinstead



Miss Greaves



Mrs. William Hendrie



St. Clair Balfour Jr., Chair



Elizabeth Beaton (left) and Judy Butler (centre) receive medals from the Navy League



Beverley White  
School Captain



Jane Griffin  
Pibroch Editor



Suzanne Walsh



Esther Polan



Patricia Hughes

# Strathallan School

1950 - 1951



Miss Kirby  
Staff

## School Prefects



Left side: Jane Griffin (School Captain), Joan Kittson (Games Captain), Judy Butler (Governor-General Medalist), Marnie Evel  
Right side: Joan Thoburn (Pibroch Editor), Lois Unsworth, Evelyn Nadeau, Eve Thomson

Despite the problems rebuilding the school following the retirement of the Founders, the girls continued to excel in their school lives. Jane Griffin was a strong Head Girl and School Captain and Judy Butler led the academic side winning the Governor-General's Medal. Judy and Pam Zimmerman represented the school at the Literary Competition of the International Fellowship of Independent Schools. Judy was first in the senior class, Pam second in the juniors, and the team was runner-up for the shield. Joan Thoburn was editor of the *Pibroch*, and Gillian Allan, senior sports champ. The schooling side of life was moving ahead apace.

There were other forces at work, too. Isobel Chisholm, President of the Parents' Association, sounded a prophetic note in her report, *'Parents are becoming increasingly alert to their role in the education of their children...'* No longer would they just drop them off at the school door. They wanted a voice, and how that voice would grow!

At the same time, the new Head, Miss Elsie Bartlett, tried to redefine the school mission, and did so in a way that brought to focus the dilemma of the times. On the one

side she very progressively reorganized the awards scheme into the modern model of emphasis on acknowledgement of all outstanding work. This started the tradition of the honour pins. On the other side, she introduced new activities emphasizing the days gone by with programs in needlework and dressmaking. Forging a school into the new age was not easy.

Betty Moodie (Mills) presided over the very active Old Girls' Association.

It gave tremendous support to the school. It also kept up close networks as Yolanda Powell reported from London, England. She wrote of the wonderful parties of Ted and Sheila (Greenlees) Leather, and the great excitement of Ted's recent victory as MP for North Somerset. Julia Osborne wrote of the many Strath grads she met in her lengthy travels around Europe, ending up with an extended tour with Sue Cochenour who had brought her car over for the tour.

Academically, the Old Girls continued to shine. Mary Ker Earnshaw was working on her MA at Dalhousie, and Marnie Gilmour doing the same at Queen's.

Post-war growth and development for the school were promising. Finding the formula for success was the trick.



Miss Elsie Bartlett, Headmistress



Kindergarten students using the playground donated by the Old Girls' Association

# Strathallan School

1951 - 1952

The major community news of the year was the death of King George VI, and the ascension of Queen Elizabeth II to the throne. Both had been great stars during the war, and were inspirations to the world. The new Queen, as Princess, had recently visited Canada with Prince Philip, and they were tremendous hits.

It was also the year that the school heard of the death of Madame Broutin. She had taught the girls for 18 years, and was a fixture. She was remembered by her famous '*son mieux - tout son possible*'.

And that aphorism must have been very much on the minds of the Head and Board. They addressed the need for space by buying the house next door. This was of immense help. How-

ever, the senior grades still only attracted 23 students in all, and that low number was not sustainable.

Yet the life of those students was full, and collaboration became the norm. As Head Girl, editor of the *Pibroch* and School Captain, Eve Thomson was excellent. She was ably supported by Gillian Allan as Sports Captain and repeat senior sports champ. Also working with Eve for the *Pibroch* were Elizabeth Beaton and Sandra Morris.

From the Parents' Association there was a definition of purpose set out in its constitu-

tion: to foster sympathy and co-operation between parent and teacher. This, of course, is the central dilemma of parents and schools. Who gets it right will do huge service to humanity.

The Old Girls continued to go from strength to strength. Margaret Johnson was appointed Principal of the prestigious Milton Academy, while Norah Murray was a Research Fel-

low at the University of Toronto in town planning. Jean Ker Bazley reported from Uganda of her stand-in role for the Schools Commissioner at a local school prize giving - all in the Bunyoro language. '*I was able to stare at the audience as hard as they stared at me!*'

Trying to understand what was best for the future was a global pursuit.



Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II



From *The Hamilton Spectator*: Mrs. D.W. Newlands (centre) is chairman of the Strathallan School June Fair Committee, for which seniors, Old Girls and parents have been working very hard. At left is Mrs. D.G. Duncan, convenor of the candy table; at right is Mrs. Paul Ogden, convenor of the decorations, which are to be original and picturesque.



Eve Thomson, Head Girl, *Pibroch* Editor and School Captain



Sandra Morris



Gill Allan  
Sports Captain



Marjorie Dowie

# Strathallan School

1952 - 1953



Sandra Morris  
Head Girl; Pibroch Editor



Angela Frost



Joan Scarlett



Doreen Shapiro



Hilda Warren



Elizabeth Beaton



Barbara Barnett



Patricia Kain



Elizabeth Winters

Sandra Morris emerged as Head Girl and edited the *Pibroch*, ably assisted by Elizabeth Beaton and Mary Baillie. On the sports side, Myrna Weaver was Sports Captain, senior champ and led Earn to the Yeates Shield for academics and citizenship.

The girls took up a challenge and association with the boys of Hillfield in debating: 'resolved that television does more harm than good'. Colin Rayner and Bill Barnes supported the motion while Mary Baillie and Judy Chapman opposed. The girls won it in a close decision. According to the judges, the boys were more logical but relied too much on their scripts. The girls, though less parliamentary, spoke more fluently. *Plus ça change...*

And the year saw a fine revival of the strong drama tradition in the production of J.M. Barrie's *Quality Street*. It

was reviewed in *The Hamilton Spectator*: 'It was presented to an excellent house (Dalewood theatre) which appreciated some polished direction from Sylvia Turner and first-rate playing from members of the company. Angela Frost and Mary Baillie as the two sisters, both showed great stage presence.'

Charles Pirie took over the Board chair from St. Clair Balfour to help smooth the transition years of the new Headmistress and ease the school debt.

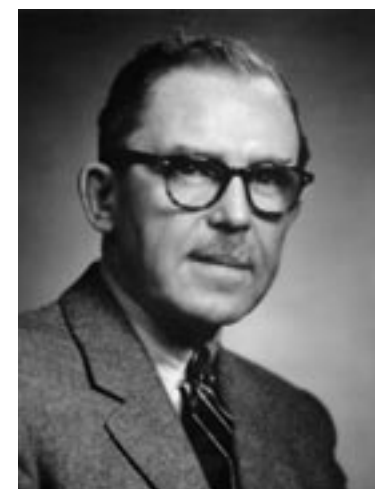
The Old Girls' Association under Elizabeth Mills followed the theme of sprucing up with a fine donation for the redecoration of the library. The girls were very impressed.

**Joan:** It's good to be alive these days.

**Jane:** Who is he this time?

**Teacher:** Can you tell me something about the iron age?

**Student:** I'm afraid I'm a bit rusty on that.



C.G. Pirie, Chair



Mary Proctor,  
Parents' Association President

# Strathallan School

1953 - 1954

Barbara Barnett was Head Girl this year, while Angela Frost won the Governor-General's Medal. Betty Haswell edited the *Pibroch* assisted by Barbara Barnett, Elizabeth Beaton and Joan Turner. Myrna Weaver repeated as Sports Captain.

This year also marked the 25th anniversary of the Old Girls' Association. Miss Virtue

singled out Mary Hand, Fanny Awrey and Elizabeth Mills as principal builders. But the current team, with President Margaret Sullivan and June Fair Chair Betty Vallance (Newlands) raised a spectacular \$1035 for the school.

There were other reasons to cheer. Enrolment had grown to some 151 girls, plus 13 in the kindergarten. A push was on to

build a reasonably sized Grade 13. Revenue was up 20%, the budget deficit was minimal, and there was only a very small debt. Plans were proposed for a new building between the others to house meeting and gym spaces.

Things were looking up.



*The School Council*

Back row: Myrna Weaver, Mary Baillie, Rochelle Giles, Elizabeth Winters, Anne Chisholm, Patricia Kain, Patricia Hill

Front row: Angela Frost, Joan Scarlett, Barbara Barnett, Elizabeth Beaton, Betty Haswell



Joan Easterbrook (Grade 9 President), Mrs. Burwell (Gym Teacher) and Myrna Weaver (Sports Captain)



Elizabeth Beaton



Barbara Barnett  
Head Girl and Pibroch Editor



Barbara Farrell



Angela Frost  
Governor-General Medalist



Rochelle Giles



Betty Haswell  
Pibroch Editor



Pat Kain



Polly Scranton



Joan Scarlett



Elizabeth Winters

# Strathallan School

1954 - 1955



Angela Frost  
Head Girl



Mary Baillie  
Pibroch Editor



Betty Haswell  
Pibroch Editor



Joanne Calley



Ann Chisholm



Barbara Farrell



Patricia Hill



Vicky Innes



Donna Morden



Sally Raine



Polly Scranton



Joan Turner



Eleanor  
Unsworth



Myrna Weaver

This was the year of Angela Frost and Mary Baillie. Angela was Head Girl and School Captain, while Mary edited the *Pibroch*, was Sports Captain and senior champ. Betty Haswell co-edited the *Pibroch*.

With Hillfield, the debates continued. This time the resolution was: 'a woman's place is in the home.' Betty Haswell and Mary Baillie opposed and John Evans and Bill Barnes supported, and they may have believed it for a short time further! They convinced the judges, and Hillfield was ahead 2-1 on the

set.

In the school, a huge feature of the girls program was the Brownie 8th Pack, ably led by Miss Greaves. With 24 girls 14 Golden Bars were awarded, and several Golden Hands in prospect. The Heads and especially Mrs. Hendrie were consistent supports of the Pack.

On the Board side, Jim Langs took up the chair as it continued its strategic planning for better facilities.



J.R. Langs, Chair



Ruth McCuaig  
Parents' Association



The Brownie 8th Pack, ably led by Miss Greaves



From *The Hamilton Spectator*: A group of Strathallan Old Girls who returned to town for the annual meeting are, from left: Mrs. K.W. MacKenzie, Moncton, N.B.; Mrs. Blakeney Woods and Mrs. R.B. Welch, Toronto.



From *The Hamilton Spectator*: Mrs. John Proctor (centre), president, welcomes Miss Patricia Hughes (left), a new member, to the annual reunion and meeting of the Strathallan Old Girls' Association on Friday evening. Miss Elsie M. Bartlett, headmistress of Strathallan, is at right.

# Strathallan School

1955 - 1956

This was another active year with Sally Raine as Head Girl, Jennifer Horlock the Governor-General Medalist, and Anna Lambe, Claudette Milmine and Sheila Russell editing the *Pibroch*.

The debating competition continued with the boys, this year resolved that: 'Canada should have a national health plan'. Mary Tolos and Anna Lambe put up an excellent show, but Gerald Wright and

John Smith (later a minister in the Davis government) carried the day for Hillfield.

An annual tradition at Strath had always been a serious commitment to community service through their Social Service Fund. This year was particularly strong and the girls raised \$202.88 at the Valentine's Tea. Under treasurer Jennifer Horlock, the results of the year's activities are set out below:

## SOCIAL SERVICE FUND BALANCE SHEET, 1955-1956

	Expenses	Receipts
Balance on hand, June, 1955		\$ 88.05
Collection for Hamilton Community Chest		44.19
Hamilton Community Chest	\$ 70.00	
Christmas Seal Collection		13.60
Christmas Seals	30.00	
Seagers Press (Postcards)	23.06	
Bank Service Charge	.13	
Bank Interest		.88
Proceeds from Tea		202.88
Hire of chairs	2.00	
Unitarian Service Committee	100.00	
St. John's Ambulance	25.00	
Red Cross	25.00	
Victorian Order of Nurses	25.00	
Balance on hand, March 21, 1956	49.41	
	<b>\$ 349.60</b>	<b>\$ 349.60</b>

Jennifer Horlock, Treasurer.



### Staff

Back row: Mrs. Thomas, Miss Vamplew, Miss Bill, Mrs. Burgess, Mrs. Rowe-Sleeman, Mrs. Burd, Mrs. Arnold  
Front row: Mrs. Young, Miss Turner, Madame Weyhard, Miss Grinstead, Miss Greaves, Mrs. Eglen, Mrs. Hapes

### Overheard in kindergarten:

"Our teachers are very old. They must be at least 14!"

• From a 3½ year old



### The Graduating Class of 1956

Back row, from left to right: Eleanor Unsworth, Mary Baillie, Jo-Anne Leadbetter, Joan Turner, Betty Haswell, Donna Morden, Vicki Innes, Anne Chisholm  
Front row: Myrna Weaver, Sally Raine, Angela Frost, Trish Hill



Judi Berens



Sally Raine  
Head Girl



Valerie Kershaw



Jennifer Horlock  
Governor-General Medalist



Jo-Anne Leadbetter



Claudette Milmine  
Pibroch Co-Editor



Ferne Minden



Jane Milne



Suzanne Quarrington

# Strathallan School

1956 - 1957



Jane Milne  
Head Girl



Mary Tolos  
Pibroch Co-Editor



Barbara  
Blackmore



Judith Day



Linda Farrell



Shelley Gains



Jennifer  
Horlock



Marilyn  
Hussey



Leslie Murdoch



Myrna  
Rosenblood



Norma  
Rosenblood



Marilyn Switzer

Nearly a decade had passed since the Founders had retired, and while great progress towards more appropriate physical facilities had been made in the purchase of 25 Robinson Street, the basic enrolment and financial weakness still plagued the school. Miss Bartlett brought kindness and care to the girls, but the school still needed stronger vision and leadership.

While the girls had strong leadership from Head Girl Jane Milne and Sports Captain Anna Lambe, record of few actual results remain.

The transition from Founders to future was still to be developed. Mrs. Tom Nichols was elected president of the PA, and Mary Warren took up the presidency of the Old Girls' Association.

But it was from the *Pibroch* editors, Mary Tolos,

Suzanne McCuaig and Sheila Russell that the design of the necessary changes came. Understanding the degree of control exerted over the girls by the staff, by allowing them to be published, it is plain that these views were generally shared by the school community:

*'We the editors feel that the modern girl does not have to be so clever as her sister of fifty years ago about running a home... The modern labour-saving devices... have simplified house keeping to the point where the same skills as grandmother possessed are no longer needed. As a result of her new freedom the modern young woman has a well-rounded life, full of opportunities for self-expression and service.'*

How would the program change to fulfil that future and how was this connected to the enrolment and finan-

cial challenges? Clearly some strides were made on the enrolment front, but over half of the graduating class were there only one or two years. Could the next Head lead the way?

To deal with these issues at Board level, Cec Robinson took up the chair. He would oversee the latest transition of Headmistresses.



Miss Elsie Bartlett

## Character and Aims of the School:

*Strathallan School is a Private School whose aim is to foster the growth and development of its girls in all phases of life, physical, mental and spiritual. It provides a wholesome, natural atmosphere in which girls can become equipped to meet with competence, courage and honesty, the challenge of life and its demands.*



Cec Robinson, Chair

# Strathallan School

1957 - 1958

The next five years would be under the leadership of Hilda M. Pearce. With a history degree from Manchester University in Britain, and a teaching certificate from Oxford, Miss Pearce brought a wealth of talent and experience to Strathallan. As head of St. Margaret's School in Victoria, British Columbia for 17 years, added to her wartime service in the Canadian Red Cross Corps, she had deep practical understanding of schools, girls, and life.

And of course, life went on, for while the heads had been changing, the core staff was quite stable under the counselling of the Senior Mistress, Edith Grinstead, now in her 34th year and still going strong! It was also the year in which Mrs. Toni LeRoy, later long-time Junior Head, joined the staff.

Benefitting from all that experience were Head Girl Anna Lambe, Sports Captain and Gov-

ernor-General Medalist Gail Whitaker, and Wilcox Cup senior sports champ, Cathy Callaghan. Miss Currie started up the first Glee Club that performed several times in the year.

The Planning Committee was busy under the guidance of Bill (W.V.) Holton, whose son, Bill (W.E.) would chair the amalgamated College in the next generation. But there was no sign of that just yet. Plans for two designs of a new relocated Strathallan

were drawn up. There might have been some anticipation of the collaboration between the schools in that these plans didn't include any sports, drama, music or other activities' spaces.



*Miss Fitzgerald passed away  
March 21, 1958*



*Miss Hilda Pearce*



*William V. Holton, Planning Committee*

## Graduating Class

### How To Do Your Homework

*First, before you even attempt to do the homework, follow these instructions:*

- take the telephone off the hook.
- turn off the television set, the radio or the phonograph.
- cover up all pictures of Elvis or your latest dream boy.
- tidy up your room and help your mother with the dishes to clear your conscience (this applies only to a few people).
- go and raid the refrigerator so that you won't be able to use hunger as an excuse to leave your work.
- Take away all nail files, mirrors, etc., so that you won't have anything to fiddle with.

*- Penny Robinson*



*Left side: Marnie Champ, Fay Cooper, Owenie Innes  
Right side: Anna Lambe (Head Girl), Sharon Levy, Gail Whitaker (Sports Captain; Governor-General's Medalist)*

# Strathallan School

1958 - 1959



Marnie Champ  
Head Girl



Fay Cooper  
Sports Captain



Gail Erlick  
Pibroch Co-Editor, Lt.-Gen. Medalist



Sheila Russell  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist/Pibroch Co-Editor



Sharon Levy



Geraldine Westmore

And indeed there was the start of real collaboration. In his report on Prize Day, Mr. Barber, the new chair of the Board, outlined the plans to have the school share administration, facilities and the Grades 11-13 academic program with Hillfield on a new campus. Plans were developing, but finances were not yet in place. While Miss Pearce reported on a more open and adventurous year's program and activities, there was still no Grade 13 and fewer than 40 students in the highschool.

Head Girl Marnie Champ, Sports Captain Fay Cooper and *Pibroch* editors Sheila Russell, Gail Erlick (Governor-General Medalist),

and Virginia Campbell, along with senior champ Brenda Laing, all made an excellent year for the girls. The indefatigable Miss Turner directed a very popular reorganization of the library, and things were looking up.

The war of words continued in debate, this time on *'all education is essentially self-education.'* Chief judge, Ramsey Evans, on behalf of the perennial judge, Miss Virtue, and their colleague Miss A. Matthews, gave the decision to the girls, Gail Erlick and Sheila Russell, because *'their material was carefully prepared, well-organized, and supported well-known sources.'* Hamish Robertson and Chris Thompson would have to wait to regain the trophy.



The Brownies at Christmas in 1958



David C. Barber, Chair



Sports Day Champions

Margaret Wallace, Primary; Judith Nickling, Intermediate; Toni Rice, Junior; Brenda Laing, Senior

# Strathallan School

1959 - 1960

Pressing on with the theme of the future, the school finances under the chairmanship of Bill Young, Babs' brother, were now under control thanks to the raising of fees by \$25. Standing in for the Chair of the Board, Bill elaborated on the union of the two schools but emphasized that *'Strathallan will retain its separate identity, traditions and reputation.'*

Those traditions were in fine shape. Head Girl Sheila Russell, was ably supported by Governor-General Medalist Gail Erlich, Sports Captain Joyce Reynolds and the **Pibroch** team led by Judy Ward and Virginia Campbell. Judy also won the Lieutenant-Governor's Medal, the Counsell Cup and captained More to the Yeates Shield. An indication of the energy of this group

of girls is demonstrated in its Service Fund total of a staggering \$550 for the World Refugee Fund.

As if part of this Strath transformation all the time, Mrs. Keiller Mackay, wife of the Lieutenant-Governor and Guest of Honour at Prize Day, carried on the new role of women theme. In her remarks to the girls, she urged, *'Let us resolve that we shall be equipped*

*and qualified to accept that responsibility which our new status in life demands.'*

The magnitude of these changes, almost in deterministic terms, made the loyalty to the past and vision of the future a very real dilemma. It wouldn't be resolved quickly, or without some real pain.



Bill Young, Chair of Finance



Sheila Russell  
Head Girl



Gail Erlich  
Governor-General Medalist



Donna Inch



Geraldine Westmore



Joyce Reynolds  
Sports Captain



Mrs. John Keiller Mackay presents the Lieutenant-Governor's Medal to Judy Ward



Volleyball Championships

Back row: A. Warren, L. Tatham, S. Smith, H. Nichols, N. Corbet  
Middle row: B. Ward, V. Doolittle, A. Whitehead, S. Fleming  
Front row: N. Vallance, C. Bewley, N. Ward, M. Thur

# Strathallan School

1960 - 1961



Joyce Reynolds  
Head Girl



Judy Ward  
Pibroch Editor; Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Wendy Travers  
Senior Champ

## Volleyball Team

Back row: Mary Joan Gillespie, Linda Lucas, Mary Dolja, Linda McNichol, Gayle Stevens, Anne McNichol, Diane Manko

Front row: Anne McColl, Katherine Unsworth, Joan Weston, Frieda Paper-nick, Margot Martin, Carole Empey



Joyce Reynolds was this year's Head Girl, with Judy Ward winning the Governor-General's Medal and editing the *Pibroch*. Wendy Travers was senior champ. Strathmore, which had reappeared, won the Yeates Shield for Academics and Citizenship, and Yre won the Counsell sports championship.

The big news, of course, was reported by Judy Ward, and that was the *'amalgamation and expansion... The need for expansion has been emphasized by the rapid growth in enrolment. At present, the students are handicapped by overcrowded conditions... the fact that the assembly room also serves as classroom, lunchroom, chapel,*

*and general recreation hall leads to unavoidable difficulties.'*

Yet the program vigorously expanded into the community as witnessed by the superlative results from the Westdale Kiwanis Music Festival. Grades 5 through 8 swept first place in the choral speaking choirs. Further afield, the senior girls visited the United Nations in New York City, and from that formed a U.N. Club at the school.

There is a formula for building a school. In this, form (the physical facilities) follows function (how the learning environment helps the students to grow). The new facilities were under construction. What program would they house, and what support and growth would they generate? There was still a year before the crunch of togetherness would be on.



## The Prefects

Standing: Virginia Campbell, Anne Whitehead, Dianne Johnston, Linda Golightly, Patricia Townsend  
Seated: Anne McNichol, Judy Ward, Joyce Reynolds, Margaret Thur



Miss Pearce, Mr. W.V. Holton  
(Chair) and Mr. Page at the  
new site

# Strathallan School

1961 - 1962

By 1961, hard work and a clearer sense of direction had paid off. The senior school enrolment had risen to an impressive 74 students, with ten in Grade 13. But the die was cast. Miss Pearce would retire before the move with Hillfield to the mountain campus.

Liz Currier, later Primary Head, remembers Hilda Pearce as working hard to raise the academic standards of the school. Among the few outstanding teachers, there were some with no qualifications at all.

All of this excitement did not slow Head Girl Virginia Campbell and repeat senior champ Wendy Travers from leading the girls through an excellent year.

Of course, all eyes were on the future and the new facilities and on the question of the place of women in both the new educational environment and in the wider world. Patricia Murphy, the *Pibroch* editor, presented the strongest views to date: *'...A man's attitude to the situation must enter into the discussion. Mild forms of independence and aggressiveness we can*

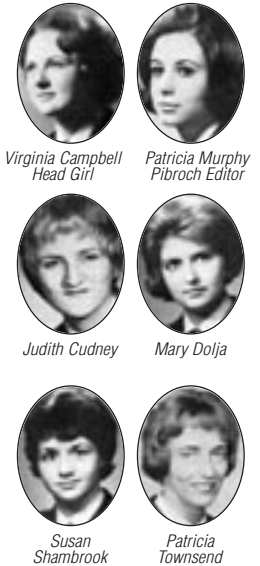
*cope with, but against strongly feminist thinking... he is helpless. I do not believe that many women consider seriously the consequences of the bid for equality.'* She goes on to urge cautious personal assessment of individual women's cases in view of the *'widespread programs... designed to incite women to open rebellion'*. The next year, the girls would be face to face with the boys.

On a more reflective note, Marnie Fitzpatrick, Grade 11, commented, *'The new school is a mass of shining glass, steel and new brick. It has its memories*

*and traditions to make. Let us hope that some of the old will mingle with the new to form this new and still better Strathallan.'*

To this Miss Pearce added the final metaphor. *'"Pibroch" refers to a tune on the bagpipes. Since your Pibroch reflects the life of the year in the school, it is also an indication of your feelings and your school spirit. What we must do is to see to it that the air the Pibroch plays is always a good one, true and harmonious.'*

And that was the challenge of the immediate future that she would leave to her successors.



Rachel Van Nostrand  
Parents' Association



Mary Bliss  
Old Girls' Association President



The Foreman for Robinson-Yates shows plans for the new buildings to Ann Bailey and Colin Gibson



## Prefects

Standing: Juanita Rowe, Nancy Ward, Margot Miller  
Seated: Clare Bewley, Mary Dolja, Susan Shambrook, Virginia Campbell (Head Girl), Patricia Murphy, Patricia Townsend, Judith Cudney

# News of the World

*and News of Hamilton - the '60s*

By the end of the '50s, the post-war euphoria was gone. Globally, the nuclear arms race and the race for space were on, and it was a one-all tie: the US led in the arms race and the USSR was first with a manned satellite in space.

On the ground, early in the decade, tensions rose dramatically with the building of the Berlin Wall to isolate the West Berliners, or more probably to stop the outward flow of East Berliners.

Emerging from the whole US world policy, when Fidel Castro liberated the Cuban people from dictatorship, the US interests in Cuba and the wealthier Cubans successfully convinced President Kennedy to oppose Castro.

Castro, actually a middle class lawyer, logically turned to the USSR who was delighted to have a base so

close to its enemy, and shipped off missiles to its new ally. The world watched on the TV as disaster seemed inevitable. The Americans sent warships to stop the Soviet ships, and at the very last moment, the Soviet ships turned back. It was a defining moment in Western-Soviet relations. Disaster was averted.

At least on that front. Much

worse and more damaging confrontation came from Indochina. After the war, the French wanted their colonies back, and the Vietnamese, under Ho Chi Minh, wanted to govern themselves. The US held to the domino theory that if the communists were not contained, America would suffer. They first supported the French, and when the French were defeat-

ed, took over themselves, officially at the start only in support of the South Vietnamese army, but eventually in full control. During the '60s, and on into the next decade, news of horrors, drugs, lack of commitment on the part of the South Vietnamese, and complete lack of success in the field, depressed especially the youth of America who determinedly

opposed the war but were conscripted to fight in it.

Because there were exemptions to conscription, the heavy burden for filling the rank and file fell on the African Americans, many of whom in the South still could not eat in "white" restaurants, ride in the front seats of busses or vote. Civil rights became the other major home issue. Non-violence was the *modus*



Snowstorm hits the city on January 24, 1966, dropping 13 inches (32.5 cm) of snow on Hamilton

*operandi*, and 'We Shall Overcome' the hymn. Riots, burnings of cities, and desegregation laws all began to turn the tide, but not before the Civil Rights leader, Martin Luther King Jr., was murdered. On the American home front, there seemed to be a self-destruct gene. Both John and Bobby Kennedy would die as a result. There was a memorial tree planted for JFK in the Kennedy Quadrangle to the south of Strath.

Since Canada was not engaged in this war, conditions here were less dramatic in the '60s. In fact, it was a very good decade for us. We reached number two in the world in terms of per capita gross national income. Federally, it was Mike Pearson's decade in Ottawa, and his government initiated many of the components of what we now call our social safety network: the Canada Pension Plan and the national health program.

On the patriotic front we had a new flag. Everyone in the world

knew that the maple leaf patch belonged to Canadians. Logic put it on our flag. And that flag flew over our great centennial festival, Expo '67, the World's Fair, in Montreal.

That year also saw the cultural tensions between French and English Canadians. From 1960, a 'Quiet Revolution' was turning noisy. The Quebec separatists, the FLQ had been making their point violently with letterbox and trash can bombs. People were killed. When President DeGaulle of France visited Montreal and proclaimed from the balcony of the Montreal city hall, '*Vive Quebec libre!*' he was unceremoniously asked to leave the country.

In Hamilton, the consequences of the heavy industrial economy was taking its toll. The expansion of the foundries left Hamilton Harbour a virtual 10 square mile sewer with 10 million cubic feet of bacteria by the end of the decade. All this at the time when

the harbour flourished, especially as a result of the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway in 1959.

But the momentum from the '50s continued. A new city hall opened in 1960, and an ambitious new plan for the downtown was developed and started. The city council was also instrumentally

involved in the future of Hillfield-Strathallan.

When the Westdale property was crippled by the encroachment of Highway 403, the remaining land (along with the two Strath houses on Robinson) was the only capital asset of HSC. The school petitioned the Planning Board successfully for an advantageous zoning ruling for a shopping plaza. There was some local protest, but the Committee reaffirmed its decision. When the matter reached the whole City Council it reneged and reduced the zoning, thereby leaving the Colleges with their major asset greatly diminished, and once again back into huge debt.

There really is no good news so far as finances and prospects were concerned here for HSC in the Sixties. To top it all off, one of the two industrial giants, Stelco, on which the city pinned its hopes, moved its head office to Toronto.

It was a tough decade.



Major-General R.W. Barker, US Army, at the dedication of the President Kennedy Memorial Tree, May 13, 1964

# Pioneers in Partnership 1962 - 1969

## *Hillfield-Strathallan Colleges*

For both schools, the era below the Mountain ended on a major high. Hilda Pearce had restored the confidence, the enrolment and the finances of Strathallan. Under John Page, Hillfield had complet-

ed its transition into a 'College', increased the enrolment to over 300 boys, consolidated the Grade 13 program and built a solid cadet corps. Two strong, focussed schools would make the move to the mountain.

While both schools needed improved space and facilities, and the planning had been under way for some time, neither anticipated moving to a joint campus, at least not consciously. The intrusion through the Hillfield property of the Chedoke Expressway, or the 403 as it is more commonly known, moved the planning process dramatically ahead.

Quite quickly, Sam Ross and Ray Connell secured the Mountain property, formerly part of the farm of the Ontario Psychiatric Hospital, at a very good price. There would be

ample room for both schools. Understanding the need for close collaboration, the two boards merged into one, but the schools remained 'co-ordinate', that is they remained separate colleges. This was to be made quite clear in the plot plan layouts of the buildings. The two schools had separate buildings connected by open, outdoor, unheated passage ways - and, as the students quickly found out, the underground tunnel! Hillfield's Primary, Junior and Senior Schools and the administration all had separate buildings.

The foreshortened time lines for the transition to the Mountain left several key elements unattended. The finances, so recently improved at both schools, were strained by the unfavourable city zoning decision for the Hillfield property. In the end, the real cost of construction of the new facilities left a \$500,000 debenture debt to be

repaid, a sum greater than the annual income from fees. In fact, it took about 10% of the annual operating budget, already one of very bare bones. The Board had accomplished an impressive feat by raising the remaining approximately one million dollars. But the crunch was on and the strain would show.

The other significant sign of strain was the very late retirement of Hilda Pearce just before the move. She had been the negotiator for Strath in the co-ordination between the schools, and in consideration of her uncertain health, she decided to retire rather than move. The time span had not allowed for full planning of the relationship between the two administrations. It was a given of the Board that things would work out among people of good faith. It was clear to Miss Pearce that in the environment of severely restrained financial conditions with half as



*Kathleen Bruce*

many girls as boys, all the good will in the world would not make calm co-ordination possible. So, having restored Strathallan, she left the challenge to a new head and retired to England.



*Mr. Soutar, Senior School Chaplain*

Bruce, she moved to Hamilton. They had two children, a son, Robert, who attended the school, and a married daughter, Carolyn.

The co-ordinate planning would have to start again after the move was made. The new Headmistress was Mrs. Kathleen (Kay) Bruce, the Headmistress of the prominent girls' school, Elmwood, in Ottawa. Its 'brother' school, Ashbury, had a very similar profile and relationship as Hillfield to Strath.

Born in Cobourg, Ontario, into the Margrett family, Kay Bruce studied at Victoria College, University of Toronto, then completed her honours work at Western. With her husband, Captain Robert

She would have known little of the background of the collaboration between the schools. Her mandate was to administer Strathallan in a way that maintained the girls' independence and the traditions of Strathallan. Her philosophy was summed up very clearly as, *'education is what you know after you have forgotten what you learned at school. The training you had in learning it is what counts.'* Both she and John Page would have to call on that training in the years to come. No real plan as to how the two would collaborate had

yet been made. It would take some time.

Finally, and perhaps most importantly, there was very informal financial planning and reporting. There were separate financial administrations, and particularly the salaries for the Strath teachers were dramatically lower than for the Hillfield staff. So were the extra-curricular expectations. The boys had a full extra-curricular program, while the girls relied mainly on intramural house activities. Some staff taught across school lines and so were professionally equal,

but their terms of employment were quite different. Clearly, this would affect the morale of the teachers and therefore the morale of the schools.

These larger planning and operational issues of the Colleges naturally preoccupied the minds of the administrations. While everyone missed the charm and security of the old schools, the students took up the challenge of the closer relationship with cautious enthusiasm. Life at school had the same bounce and vigour as is always the case with students who feel they are cared for. On they went.



*New buildings of Hillfield-Strathallan Colleges on the Mountain*

# Strathallan School

1962 - 1963



Margot Miller  
Head Girl



Clare Bewley  
Head Prefect



Susanne Hinnells  
Pibroch Co-Editor



Rita Carton



Cheryl Easterbrooke

The Strathallan program carried over to the new campus very well. Under Head Girl Margot Miller, Head Prefect Clare Bewley and a supportive staff, the girls' program flourished. House competition was the engine of the program, and Earn won both the Wilkinsons and Counsell Cups, with House Captain Hester Nichols and Sports Captain Norah Corbet at the helm.

Other activities included strong public speaking and United Nations clubs and a very strong choir under the direction of Tony Dawson. It won the Kiwanis Festival First Prize.

Susanne Hinnells, the *Pibroch* editor with Mia Wilkin-

son, wrote of the girls' admiration and good wishes for Miss Pearce, and welcomed Mrs. Bruce. Sharing the staff of the two schools was seen to be a major positive move from the girls' point of view. The Strath Parents' Association President, Mrs. Beth Isbister, showed the way to parental co-operation by joining with Mrs. Barbara Evans of the Hillfield PA in a joint evening meeting.

From the girls' side, the reaction to the new arrangements were mixed. Iss Wilton thought the arrangements were very good, but that it would take some time to establish a new and comfortable environment. Mrs. Bruce thought it all a terrific

challenge with great potential, but the common aims and rules had yet to be worked out with the boys.

Bill Young '35, took on the chairmanship of the Colleges' Board from Bill Holton '32. With a large Board balanced with avid supporters of both schools, his role was crucial in maintaining the morale and hopes of both sides. These were anxious times.



William Young '35, RMC, Chair



## Staff

Back row: Mrs. Rieger, Mrs. Redman, Miss Worden, Mrs. Currier, Mrs. Logan, Miss Fuykschot, Miss Wilton, Mrs. LeRoy

Front row: Miss Barnecott, Miss Harris, Mrs. Stevenson, Miss Grinstead, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Hughes, Mrs. Jones, Miss O'Hanlon

## Humour from the *Pibroch*:

**Miss Thacker to Sandy S:**

Answer the door!

**Sandy S:** Hello, door!

**Adam:** Eve, you put my dress suit in the salad again!



Alexis Thoman



Linda Wright

# Hillfield College

1962 - 1963

As with the girls, the boys had a good year of activities with Earl Gosling as Head Prefect and Richard Clark as both Head Boy and CO of the Cadets. The sports life was active with Earl Gosling and Ken Cooper as captains of football, Ken again in hockey, Tony Steel in cricket and Tony Lewis in the first of his two years as soccer captain. Teacher Hugh Brown took the new sailing team off to Lakefield for the new Dingy races, and Hillfield won over a field of seven schools.

As an aside, the next headmaster visited the new school with his under-16 hockey team from Ashbury. Under the popular coaching of John Caruthers, Hillfield won the trophy, but not without some protest concerning the referees wearing Hillfield jerseys, and particularly the Hillfield First Team players who hap-

pened to be free for the night! The guests were treated splendidly in every other way, including excellent hospitality at several functions and a dance in the new gym.

Drama included a major production of Shaw's *Androcles and the Lion* under the perennial direction of Geoff Steel and able support of Peter Stevens on the set design/construction with Wib Warrender heading the student crew. It was also the start of collaboration in drama. The female roles, for the first time in Hillfield's history, were taken by the Strath girls.

The cadets had a good season of parades and activities. Also on the military side, the school's most famous Old Boy in the military, General Harry Crerar, was made an Honourary Citizen of Hoogeveen, Holland, for leading the lib-

eration troops during the war.

Among the great character traits of John Page was a real loyalty to those he

admired, either above his rank, equal to it or below it. One of his Headmaster colleagues, Dr. Ken Ketchum of St. Andrew's College for some twenty years, found himself released from office with nowhere to go and scant means to get there. John and Joan Page wel-

comed both him and his charming wife, Esther, helping them with work and home. Ken had behaved in some quite erratic ways over the past few years but couldn't find out why. It turned out he had massive cancer, and he lived only a short time. At the urging and support of the Hillfield Parents' Association, The Ketchum Forecourt is named in his honour.

As for the first year on the Mountain, John Page considered it a tremendous success with only the timetable for joint classes to be improved.



Peter Bradley  
New Staff



Jim Evel '55, Old Boy President



Mr. Stuart Waters, new Head of Junior School



Dr. Ken Ketchum



Richard Clark  
Head Boy and CO of Cadets



Earl Gosling  
Head Prefect



Barry Sanderson  
Deputy Head Prefect



Mike Smedley  
Boar Editor



Peter Ashenhurst



Paul Ashenhurst



Bob Wray



Jim Nethercott



Jerry Castor



Barry Rosenblood



Jack Rosenblatt



Gary Repta



Ken Newman

# Strathallan School

1963 - 1964



Sarah Nixon  
Head Girl



Mary Balfour  
Governor-General Medalist



Rilla Clark



Jane Enlow



Susanne Hinnells

This year saw Sarah Nixon as Head Girl with Mary Balfour winning the Governor-General's Medal. They teamed up to edit the *Pibroch*. The year was very active with the usual clubs and activities. There was some excitement when a Ti-Cat hero, Garney Henley joined the Hillfield staff and coached the girls' basketball team, co-captained by Rilla Clark and Annabelle MacFarlane.

The House sports continued as the normal activities, with Earn winning the soccer.

The girls were still very much adjusting to the new partnership with Hillfield. Sarah Nixon reflected that *'during this past year, our second on the new*

*campus, the system of students disciplining students, has achieved modest success.'*

Kay Bruce adds *'taken out of your wrappings of security from your old protective school life, you have found the past two years exciting, upsetting and generally difficult and challenging. But your results are indicative of success.'*

Time would tell.



Soccer Winners

Back row: Sandra Newlands, Dianne Tidey, Stephanie Grant, Jane Margesson, Betsy Wilson, Lois Kelday  
Front row: Norah Corbet, Sharon Smith, Sandra Southam, Linda Southam



Prefects

Back row: Nancy Ward, Linda McNichol, Anne Wright, Marjorie Ross, Sarah Nixon, Lisa Jaimet  
Front row: Rilla Clark, Jane Miller, Debbie Allan, Margot Miller, Clare Bewley, Hester Nichols, Mary Balfour, Susanne Hinnells



From *The Hamilton Spectator*: Miss Janet Virtue unveils a portrait of Miss Eileen Fitzgerald, co-founder with Miss Virtue of Strathallan College, yesterday at the school's annual prize distribution. With her is Mr. Frank Panabaker, of Ancaster, who painted the portrait, which was a gift of the Old Girls' Association.



Mary Jennings



Linda McNichol



Jane Miller



Patricia Shambrook



Joanne Tidey



Beverley Ward

# Hillfield College

1963 - 1964

**O**n the boys' side, things marched right along. Ken Cooper led the sports as captain of both football and hockey, and he also won the Smye Cup as senior champ. Tony Steel captained the cricket team. Phil Wright helped Cedars to the Wardrobe Tray.

The old boys were active as ever. John D. Campbell '22, President of Westinghouse Canada,

took on the Chair for the McMaster Growth Fund. Gerald Wright moved his public affairs studies from Oxford to Harvard, and Billy Graham turned his hand to football coaching at Guelph.

But the news of the year was the assassination of the young President of the United States, John Kennedy. It was a defining moment for Western society, and deeply felt by young and old. On

the one side it was the era of James Bond, and on the

other of the Berlin Wall and deeply disturbing events in Vietnam. This President had given truly exceptional vision and leadership, and his death, and later that of his brother, Robert, and the anti-segregationist, Martin Luther King Jr., would leave a collapse of international political morale not filled for the next two decades.

To honour JFK, the students of HSC planted a huge Blue Spruce in his memory, and it stands today in the Kennedy Quadrangle between the Strathallan and Page buildings.



Mrs. Worthy (second from left) with some unidentified kitchen staff in 1964



New teacher,  
Mr. Tom Mackan



New teacher,  
Mr. Garney Henley



New teacher,  
Mr. Ted Helwig



Tim Peacock, Head Boy  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist



John McNally  
Head Prefect



David Brown



Graham Ewart



George Glover



Reed Harris



Mike Smedley



Peter Taylor



Donny Thomson



Bob Wray

# Strathallan School

1964 - 1965



Linda Jackson  
Head Girl



Toni Rice  
Governor-General Medalist



Frances O'Flynn  
Pibroch Editor



Ann MacKenzie



Marjorie Corcoran



Roberta Brown



Daryl Whetham



Judi Webb

Now in its third year on the Mountain, and with no further paying down of the capital on the debt, the survival of the schools was seen to be in larger enrolment. An active campaign raised the combined enrolment to a decade high of 571 students, and this would be a peak for the decade to come.

To encourage enrolment, the girls started into much more team play and saw the first of what would become the formidable fieldhockey teams coached by Pauline Jones. Basketball and volleyball also had their start this year.

The regular activities were unusually brisk this year. Strong leadership from Head Girl, Linda Jackson, and Governor-

General Medalist, Toni Rice, helped things along. Yre won both the Wilkinson and Counsell trophies with Jane Baillie as House Captain, while Elizabeth Shambrook's Tay took the Yeates Shield. Margot Martin took the Wilcox Cup and also the new prize in memory of Mary Kelday for upholding the traditions and ideals of Strathallan.

This was a poignant new prize, not only for its own memories of Mary, but also because it was first awarded in the year the Founder, Miss Virtue, passed away.

The magic she and Miss Fitzgerald had created on the Robinson Street campus would not be recaptured. Its ideals could and would be.



Miss Canada, Carol MacKinnon and Enid Webb, long-time Strathallan secretary



H.T. Ewart, BA, MD, FCCP, Chair



Pibroch Committee

Back row: Susan Boston, Jane Snedden, Barbara Jennings, Mia Wilkinson, Ann Mackenzie  
Front row: Sandra Southam, Frances O'Flynn (Editor-in-Chief), Mrs. Stevenson, Joan Thomson, Sheila Robinson

# Hillfield College

1964 - 1965

This was a particularly active year for the boys under Head Prefect Bob Thompson and Governor-General Medalist Rob Ewart. In sports, Phil Wright captained both football and hockey, Andreas Surma the ever more successful soccer team. Kip Sumner led the cricket team and won the Smye Cup setting two new track records. Frank Sherman captained the new squash team and led Maples to the Wardrobe Tray.

As CO of the Cadet Corps, Greg Harstone welcomed back one of the school's most distinguished Old Boys, Air Vice-Marshall Henry Carscallen as Inspecting Officer.

Our other top military leader, school Patron General Harry Crerar died that year, as did his British colleague and inspiration, the great war

hero, Winston Churchill. G.E.F. Smith, the longtime honorary secretary of the Board and active Patron, also died that year.

Other Old Boy news had Jim Evel as Old Boy President and Alder Bliss rising to CO of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders of Canada. John Munro, who attended Hillfield in the '40s, was elected to Parliament in Hamilton East.

Things seemed to be on a roll, yet **Boar** editor Andreas Surma cautioned that the spir- its of the student body were in decline. That's a perennial complaint among students who love their school. Interestingly, Frances O'Flynn, editor



Back row: R.N.J. Jones, A.R. Robertson, C.A. Lehman, J.L. Watson, G.B. Fox, E.J. Grundy  
Middle row: D.M. Lewis, P.M. Young, W.D. Banting, C.D. Whitaker, A.P. Johnson, B.F. McColl, A.E. Bowler, R.S. Bremner, B.W. Brooks, A.B.M. Alway, F.E. Gamauf  
Front row: Mr. G. Coleman (Asst. Coach), A.G. Steel (Asst. Capt.), Mr. John P. Page (Headmaster), P.C. Wright (Captain), Mr. G. Henley (Coach), G.J.R. Harstone, Mr. G.G. Steel (Coach)

of the **Pibroch**, thought that while nostalgia was a reality and things were still very much in transition, the new school culture was emerging, certainly at the student level.

Sorting out the exact form of the new culture was a con-

tinuing practical challenge for the two Heads. Stepping in to help was Dr. Hugo Ewart, an experienced medical organizational leader, who took on the chairmanship of the Board for one year in order to help move things along.



Bob Thompson  
Head Prefect



Rob Ewart  
Governor-General Medalist



Gerald Fox



Sean Krieger



Vince Weeks



Don Thomson



Peter Taylor



Andreas Surma



Frank Sherman



Greg Robinson



Wiatchik Fesenko



George Fesenko



Brian McColl

# Strathallan School

1965 - 1966



Jane Baillie  
Head Girl



Mia Wilkinson  
Head Prefect/Pibroch Editor



Joan Thomson  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Rita Carlton



Norah Corbet



Sue Foster



Stephanie  
Grant



Mary Hendrie



Pamela Iredale



Lois Kelday



Marie Kennedy



Margot Martin



Joan McNichol



Frances  
O'Flynn



Sheila  
Robinson



Elizabeth  
Shambrook



Sandy  
Southam



Penny Steel



Joan Thomson



Nancy Wood

The search for the 'new' materialized in the formation of a student council typical of the public high schools, and Joan Thomson was the first President. It represented the students on various issues and ran the 'business' duties of the school dances and fundraising. It was an imaginative trial that would eventually redefine the duties and responsibilities of the prefects.

Activities carried right on with Ann Harrison leading Yre to a sweep of the house trophies. Sheila Robinson was captain of basketball and Sharon Bedwell of field-hockey. Frances O'Flynn took the Kelday award.

Undoubtedly a permanent record was set when Edith Grinstead retired after 43 years at Strath. She had been the last of the 'originals' for some time already and was honoured with

the words she loved and lived:

*'Only love can redeem  
This truth, that delight;  
Bring morning to blossom again  
Out of plague-ridden night;*

*Restore to the lost the found,  
To the blinded, sight.'*  
She did all of that and more.



## Staff

Back row: Mrs. Hughes, Mrs. Redman, Mrs. Southam, Mrs. Donnelly, Mrs. Fleming, Miss Fleming, Mrs. Currier, Mrs. Stevenson, Mrs. Cutbill, Mrs. Jones

Front row: Mrs. Stock, Mrs. LeRoy, Miss Grinstead, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Singleton, Mrs. Snell

# Hillfield College

1965 - 1966

This was a year well served by student leadership, with Ron Bremner as Head Prefect and co-captain of football with Tony Robertson, and Kip Sumner winning the Governor-General's Medal, captaining the soccer and keeping the Smye Cup for a second year. Tony Johnson and Andy Alway shared the hockey captaincy, while Henry Duncan led the squash team and Tony Steel, once again, the cricket. Deane Ewart took Maples to the Wardrobe Tray. Jim McLean led the Cadets and Marc Bader edited an excellent **Boar**.

The whole community was saddened to hear of the passing of Old Boy and former Chair of the Board, George Parke.

With the largest combined Grade 13 enrolment ever in prospect for the next year, things were looking up.



*Cadets 1966*

Back row: L/Cpls. J.F. Haszard, P.C. Hill, R.B. McLean, R.D. Lazier, C.G. Lazier  
Fourth row: L/Cpls. D.E. Robson, M.J. Johnston, R.D.R. McMurrich, R.B. Scott, M.G. Steel, A.J. Koziol, G.W. Down  
Third row: Cpls. B.W. Brooks, D.R. Evans, J.R.C. Phelps, D.B. Scott, H.G.H. Duncan, L/Cpls. J.G. Doerfler, V.F. Gregotski, P.T.P. Kemp  
Second row: W.O.2 J.B. Corbett, Sgts. M.R. Weaver, A.P. Johnson, L/Sgt. J.B.G. Beacock, Sgts. P.A. Tinsley, W.G. Hull, M.N. Garfat, S/Sgt. P.G. Steiner  
Front row: Lt. H.D. Ewart, Lt. T.P. Taylor, Lt. J.C. vanNostrand, Capt. D.M. Lewis, Maj. J.W.H. McLean, Lt. R.S. Bremner, Lt. A.B.M. Alway, Lt. C.W. Robinson



From the **Wentworth County Herald**:  
Army Cadets from Hillfield College, Hamilton, are seen on parade on Sunday afternoon under the command of Major J.C. Reid.

Taking over from Hugo Ewart was his fellow Rotarian and Hillfield Old Boy, Gord

Hamilton '36, who would build on Hugo's work.



Gord Hamilton '36, BA, Chair



Romeo the Barber



Ron Bremner  
Head Prefect

Tony  
Robertson



Kip Sumner  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist

Dave Balfour



Bob Fisher

Dale Hallman



Rick Jones

Sean Krieger



Jim McLean

Pat Newey



Murray Weaver

Jon Waters

Tony Steel

Cam Robinson

Jonathan  
Preston

John Parry

# Strathallan School

1966 - 1967



Ann Harrison  
Head Girl



Barbara Jennings  
Head Prefect



Jane Snedden  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Phyllis Robinson  
Pibroch Editor



Sharon Bedwell



Cathy Cope



Susan Ellis



Trisha Harrison



Mary Hewson



Mary Hendrie



Cathy  
Mackenzie



Janet Morris



Ginny Parke



Carol Smith



Lil Waram



Mia Wilkinson



Arni Cowitz



Nancy Kelman



Judy Ross

In the broader life this was Canada's centennial year and the year of the impressive Expo '67 in Montreal. It was also the first year in which the graduates had spent all of their high school years on the Mountain campus. The enrolment was holding at the mid-500 mark, but this included over 40 students across the divisions who had little, if any, hope of success. This led to a lack of confidence in the school's program and kept the more promising students away.

It was apparent that the schools had to find a way to come together if they were to survive, and so new

strategies were tried. One creative means was the formation of the Students' Councils in both schools, and Carol Smith was the Strath President and Ron Bremner Hillfield's. These councils were common in the public high schools, and were seen to be more democratic and inclusive than the traditional Prefect system. The schools tried to work out a middle way. In the end, the two systems couldn't find common ground, and the councils were abandoned.

Life with the students was busy, active and very cheerful. For two years there had been a large and

vigorous Grade 13. Ann Harrison as Head Girl with Barb Jennings as Head Prefect were the program and activities leaders with Jane Snedden taking the Governor-General's Medal. Phyllis Robinson edited the *Pibroch* and led More to double victory with the Counsell and Yeates trophies, while Nancy Kneale captained Tay to the Wilkinson Cup. Cathy Mackenzie was captain of the well-established basketball team, and Barb Stewart led the field-hockey team.



The Honourable Colin S. Lazier '35, QC, BA, Chair



Mme. Ginette Jeeves  
joins the staff



Ann Harrison shows her Head  
Girl's pin to retired senior mis-  
tress, Miss Edith Grinstead



Strathallan Basketball Team

Back row: Mrs. McDowell, Trisha Harrison, Sharon Bedwell, Phyllis Robinson, Ann Harrison, Susan Ellis, Miss Brown  
Front row: Joan McColl, Lilian Waram, Barbara Jennings, Cathy Mackenzie, Susan Boston, Janet Morris, Carol Smith

# Hillfield College

1966 - 1967

There was broad leadership from the boys. Deane Ewart was Head Boy with David Fischer winning Hillfield's Governor-General's Medal. Marc Bader edited a special centennial issue of the *Boar*, and Tim Taylor was CO of Cadets.

On the sports side, Pat Newey captained soccer, John van Nostrand and Bob McMurrich football, Rob McLean basketball, and Andy Alway hockey. Ian Adamson both captained cricket and won the Smye Cup as Senior Games Day champion.

There was a full agenda of other activities, including the students' council. Bob McMurrich, Rob McLean and John van Nostrand chaired the dance

committee which raised \$124.11 towards the Graduation Dance. Things changed in that respect quite dramatically over the years!

The drama society, under Geoff Steel's direction, produced a special centennial play written by the famous Canadian playwright, Robertson Davies, *At My Heart's Core*. It was an exceptionally challenging and successful production. That same year, Geoff Steel won Best Supporting Actor

from the Western Ontario Drama League festival. He was mid-way through his time at the College and just warming up!

The new chair, Colin S. Lazier '35, had served on the

Board right through these transitional years and was intimately tied to both schools. His would be the steady hand through the next transition of Heads.



Football

Back row: H.D. Ewart, G.H. Pullman, J. Ambrose, I.L. Adamson, A.R. Ives, D.B. Scott, P.C. Hill  
Second row: C.W.G. Southam (Manager), B.D. Bodden, T.A. Gordon, F.H. Gibson, D.G. Ridpath, R.A. Partridge, P.W. White, M.W. Johnson, A.B.M. Alway  
Front row: R.B. McLean, Mr. R.B. Bruce (Coach) J.C. vanNostrand (Captain), Mr. John P. Page, R.D.R. McMurrich (Captain), Mr. G. Coleman (Coach), D.M. Lewis



Mrs. Bruce Retiring



Deane Ewart Head Boy



David Fischer Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Marc Bader Boar Editor



Tim Taylor CO, Cadets



Bryan Bodden



Ron Bremner



Henry Duncan



Douglas Evans



Michael Garfat



David Fischer



Robert Partridge



Alan Ives



Jack Haszard



Andy Alway



John van Nostrand



John Tyerman



Douglas Scott



Cameron Robinson



Patrick Newey



Dean Lewis



Colin Lazier



Michael Kennedy



Rick Jones



Rick Hilborn

# Coming Together

Hillfield-Strathallan College 1967 - 1968



Bob McMurrich  
Head Boy



Lyn Parry  
Head Girl



Ian Hendrie  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Rosemary Horaczek  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Barb Stewart  
Boar-Pibroch Co-editor



Randy Echlin  
Boar-Pibroch Co-editor



Marvin Barnett



Susan Boston



Jamie Corbet



Rives Dalley



George Down



Doug Evans



Eva Fenczyn-  
Kip



Leslie Henson



Peter Hill



Peter Kemp



Nancy Kneale



Tony Koziol



Doug Lazier



Joan McColl



Bob Mitchell



Gertrude Noel



Bob Rice



Phyllis  
Robinson



Dan Robson

Though the structures of the schools remained separate and difficult, the students continued to come together in logical ways. In a major move this year, they published the first joint *Boar-Pibroch*. The editors, Barb Stewart and Randy Echlin, with the strong and experienced support of Mrs. Audrey Southam and other members of staff, turned out an exceptional publication.

Interestingly, they attributed the smooth transition to tough and thorough planning, the element that proved so elusive at the higher levels. This took its toll with the retirement of Mrs. Bruce. However, with Mrs.

Bruce's retirement, the principle of one of the heads being 'managing' Head was established, and John Page took on the added role of 'Head of the Colleges' for a further year, at which time a single new head would be appointed. Despite this positive organizational move, there were six new internal administrative appointments between the two schools, only one of which, Ted Helwig to Director of Studies, being integrative.

At the student level the program boomed ahead. Bob McMurrich led as Head Boy, matched by Lyn Parry for the girls. The Governor-General's Medals were won by Rosemary Horaczek and

Ian Hendrie. The girls' sports thrived with Colleen Shields and Paige Hutton taking Yre to a sweep of the House trophies, and Colleen captaining the fieldhockey, volleyball and basketball teams. Barb Stewart shared the fieldhockey captaincy.

The Hillfield side established a new Montessori school for 3- and 4-year-olds. It was very successful, drawing in 40 half-day students who compensated somewhat for a falling overall enrolment of full day students. It was not anticipated that there might be a defensive reaction from the regular primary teachers. In fact as the Montessori class sat square in the middle of the

Hillfield Primary, and had a radically different approach to curricular design, teaching methods and control of the students, there were some very awkward 'settling in' challenges. In terms of organization and finances, it was an exceptionally challenging time.

Among the students, even more progress in co-operation was made in the uniting of the student councils with Gretchen van Nostrand and Peter Hill as Presidents.

In boys' sports, Bob McMurrich captained football and hockey, and won the Smye Cup. Ian Adamson led the cricket and squash, while Mike Steel headed the soccer. Pines took the



Paul Taylor  
Intermediate School



Alexia Newey  
Primary School



Ted Helwig  
Director of Studies



Audrey Southam  
Headmistress



Geoffrey Steel  
Head of Senior



Toni LeRoy  
Head of Junior



Eiblis (O'Brien-  
Revelle) Evans  
Head of Montessori



Elizabeth Currier  
Head of Primary

Wardrobe tray. Peter Tinsley was Cadet CO.

In science, Ed Callway took top prize in his category at the Hamilton Science Fair.

The year took its toll on several key College supporters. Our Patron Vincent Massey died, as did former chairman Colin Stearn. And most sadly, Fred Butler passed away.

On a less serious note, the students took a school opinion poll on key questions:

Top of the list, with 94.5% approval, were 'short' Strath Skirts; 94.11% liked soul music; 91.9% thought Strath girls should be allowed to wear makeup (not sure it's legal even now!);



Mr. C.V.B. Corbet, B.Comm, FCA, Chair



National Archives  
His Excellency the Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey, C.H.  
Governor-General of Canada  
"Visitor" of Hillfield School, 1957 - 1968

88.55% wore green blazers (some still had the stripes); and tied at 88.2%: a) favoured the TV show, Rat Patrol, and b) supported the first hockey team joining the city high school league. They seemed to have their feet firmly

planted on the ground and that, in the long haul, would save the day.



*Cross Country Winners*

Back row: Colleen Shields, Merry Grundy, Mary Isbister  
Front row: Susan Grundy, Leslie Hannell, Martha Wallace



Left, unidentified Hillfield tumblers



Bob Stout



Vicki Newlands



Philip Steiner



Gerry Vrooman



Margaret  
Wallace



Paul Brandon



Susan Cook



Marilyn  
Djeddah



Jim Edwards



Paula  
Featherstone



Margaret Gains



Al Gordon



Barbara  
Hanutin



Bob Harris



Bill Hunton



Cindy Kovacs



Mary  
McNichol

# Coming Together Still

Hillfield-Strathallan College 1968 - 1969



Michael Steel  
Head Boy/CO Cadets



Barbara Stewart  
Head Girl/Gov-Gen. Medalist



Clifton Farrell  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Gretchen van Nostrand  
President, Student Council



Frances Hendrie  
Boar-Pibroch Co-editor



Alan Hudak  
Boar-Pibroch Co-editor



Blair Robinson



Don Ridpath



Joyce Holton



Norman Thomson



Randy Echlin



Gary Campaigne



Teresa Chan



Paul Corcoran



Ian McLean



Pat McNally



Lucy Mills



Myrna Grove



Hugh Harrison



Joyce Harstone



Mindy Hoffman



Gordon Holmes



Patrick Jeeves



Bob Johnson



Michael Johnston

In many respects, this was the most successful year to date for the school on the Mountain. The Board approved an integrated administration under John Page with Audrey Southam as Headmistress. Mrs. Southam was very well connected in the community, a popular teacher of English, and had four children at the school. She had worked closely with both staffs and was dedicated to seeing a smooth transition to the united colleges.

This spirit carried through to a single Students' Council with Gretchen van Nostrand as President, and a common effort from the Parents' Associations to produce the May

BBQ in honour of John Page at his retirement. Head Girl Barb Stewart and Head Boy Mike Steel led the largest graduating class in the schools' history. Alan Hudak and Frances Hendrie shared the editing of the *Boar-Pibroch*.

In sports, the girls' teams were firmly established with Blair Robinson as captain of volleyball,

Barb Stewart of field-hockey and Joyce Holton of basketball. Mike Steel led the soccer

team to an undefeated season, while Don Ridpath captained both football and



## Student Council

Back row: J.B. McColl, G.C. Parke, R.S. Echlin, H.C. Harrison, J.S. Hedden, C.W. Farrell, Melanie Isbister, A.L. McMurrich, Elizabeth Simpson  
Middle row: Anne Bliss, R.H. Bull, Maxine Brandon, J.G. Steel, P.A. Tinsley, Susan Grundy, Ann Rutherford, Wendy Goldblatt, Cathy Young, F.S. Balfour  
Front row: Mr. E.D. Helwig, Joyce Harstone, R.B. McLean, Gretchen vanNoststrand, P.D. Corcoran, Mrs. A.G. Southam (Headmistress)

hockey. Randy Echlin was squash captain.

In its most successful year, the Cadet Corps under CO Mike Steel scored its highest rating ever at 93.5%. It paraded fittingly at the May retirement celebration with Lt. Col. John P. Page taking the salute.

His wife, Joan, expressed the feelings of many when she spoke of his loyalty and help to students and colleagues, both teachers and fellow heads, all going well beyond the call of duty.

Under the leadership of Myrna (Weaver) Evel, the Old Girls raised unprecedented funds for the Colleges, while the Old Boy president,

Colin Raynor, raised important issues as to the upkeep and appearance of the grounds and buildings. Myrna would continue on as a key support by serving as

Corporate Secretary to the Colleges for many years.

Other Old Boy news included Dr. John Callaghan's '39 important work in cardio-vascular research and surgery, Gerald Wright's '58 fellowship to Johns Hopkins University, and the very sad death of David Ambrose '29. His brother Howard was also

a terrific supporter of the Colleges, especially in helping Arthur Killip with the planting of the many trees on the property. The Ambrose Walk of Austrian pines at the south-east side of the common property with Mohawk College is named in his honour.

Despite the acute sensitivities of the adult community,

the two communities were pulling together as quickly as they thought possible to face the significant challenges that lay ahead.

Cam Corbet took up the chair of the Board for the next two transition years, and his financial expertise was key to keeping the Colleges on track.



*Field Hockey*

Back row: Marie-Helene Jeeves, Anne Bliss, Cathy Young, Frances Hendrie, Gretchen van Nostrand, Eleanor Howey, Diane Walker, Marion Howard  
Front row: Joyce Harstone, Mrs. Southam (Headmistress), Barb Stewart (Captain), Mrs. R.E.Wray (Coach), Martha Bagnall



*Cadet Corps marching past saluting base, Lt. Col. John P. Page taking the salute*



*John Page on his retirement*



*Mrs. Helen Simpson  
Parents' Association  
President*



*Peter Abate  
Chef*



*Catrin Little*



*Stephen Luckett*



*Robbie McLean*



*Mark Parry*



*Bruce Scott*



*John Woolcott*



*Anne Bliss*



*Maxine Brandon*



*Bill Brandon*



*Sheldon Frank*



*John Hedden*



*Carol Murphy*



*Sheila Sniderman*



*Peter Tinsley*



*Ian Adamson*

# News of the World

## *The '70s - Emerging from the Turmoil of the '60s*

**T**he major test of wills between socialism and capitalism played out in Vietnam and would not be settled on the war fields. The Americans thought they could win. They lost. The toll at home was very high. A major generational rift erupted that would not be settled until National Guardsmen killed co-ed Allison Krause and her fellow students on the Kent State campus in 1970. This was not what anyone wanted. This decade would establish what, as global citizens, we didn't want, but it would be a while before we knew what we did want.

Each week saw highschools post lists of recent graduates killed or wounded in Vietnam. 'Flower power' and civil and student disobedience replaced the highly disciplined order of the post WWII era. The huge gathering for rock and pot at Woodstock defined the age. In Canada, this was the decade of serious student drug culture and unrest.

Driven by simple demographics and market forces, a new 'youth' culture dominated society. There were masses of young, ambitious 'yuppie' families. The wealthy Pierre Trudeau won great admiration as the youthful Prime Minister,

snubbing the establishment from which he had come. But the reaction to world events in Canada was positively muted compared to our neighbour to the south.

In Hamilton, things were actually very promising. The foundries, the core of the local economy, were still investing, and plans for a renewed downtown arts and commercial area were well advanced. Hamilton Place opened early in the decade. The new McMaster University Medical Centre was just starting, and Mohawk College was preparing to open on the property next to the Colleges.

Throughout the '60s, the Board of Governors, as the trustees of the institution, set the overall goals and direction of the school. One of those policies was to maintain the nature and spirit of both colleges on the single campus and under a collaborative operating and financial administration. That was very clearly what the community wanted for the very good reason that both schools came to the Mountain as thriving, going concerns. In the face of the renewed and significant debt, the attendant practical issues had now to be addressed.

Most explosively, these issues included serious inequity between the teachers' salaries. Under the guidance of Luke LeRoy, a prominent Hamilton public school educator and Education Chair of the Board, the HSC Board agreed to both raise and equalize the salaries. As the men's salaries were already significantly higher than the women's, and the men had far heavier extra-curricular roles, the men's morale sunk, but a new base of equity was built.

On the financial side, HSC's most pressing need was to reduce the deficits and pay down the debt. The pressure on the operating deficit was temporarily relieved by taking in too many students for whom the program simply had no proper resources. More promising students stayed away. On the debt side, consultants were hired for fundraising, but most of the potential supporters had



*National Archives*  
Pierre Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada

already given generously and were not able to do more. They were also very wary of seeing their donations pay down operating debt. In this regard, a few loyal individuals saved the school. Mrs. Ethel Balfour, through the good graces of son, Bill, Augustus T. Wood, the surviving Highfield twin, the Young/Ferrie family

and Frank Sherman of Dofasco bridged the few years and saved the schools.

The thread-bare budget also meant that the grounds and buildings suffered badly. Despite heroic efforts by groundsman Peter Bradley, the fifty acres simply could not be maintained, and there was public outcry from the Old Boys. Adding to the problems, the old gym/theatre/chapel floor buckled twice, and there were scant resources for general upkeep and repairs. All in all, it was a challenging situation at the most practical levels.

Finally, both colleges naturally had a vision of returning to their strong and successful pre-Mountain days. Agonizingly, bit by bit, those visions lost focus without an apparent and clear alternative. What was clear to the Board was that a new plan and organization was necessary if either school were to survive. A new team under the Chair, Ralph 'Bud' McKay '36, took charge. The one basic rule was *'do only what we can do well within a reasonable budget or don't do it'*. If that meant going under, so be it. If the market for a top class school existed, the school would fund itself. The most promising route for success lay in a strong enrolment of students for whom the staff and program were well-suited. The break-even target was set at 600 students.

Committees were struck to address each of the critical areas. Roy Robertson took on the Property and Maintenance Committee, and with the support of Colin Campbell and Dofasco, started the restoration process. Jo Dalley, president of the Strath Parents' Association, chaired a public relations and enrolment committee, and literally set up her own office at home to see it through. Mrs.

Emily Lindsey and Ross Howell worked out new by-laws setting the groundwork for an intentional and operable single administration. Luke LeRoy worked with the incoming Headmaster to sort out the program and admission standards. And above all, the veteran staff of the schools, wary of both the changes and the new Head, plowed in with a real determination to make it work. Especially important were Audrey Southam, Geoff Steel and Paul Taylor. Among them they had the history, experience and the vision to see that they would make or break the venture. They made it.

Board Chair, Cam Corbet, at the time of John Page's retirement paid tribute to him, and explained to the community that Mr. Page had indicated as early as 1966 that he would like to step down, as did his predecessor, in favour of 'younger shoulders'. The new shoulders were those of Barry Wansbrough, who on his appointment, was the youngest Canadian headmaster in the Headmasters' Association.

He spent his early childhood in Montreal, son of Victor, Headmaster of Lower Canada College, and Ruth Bar-

rett, granddaughter of Dr. John Reddy, the famous Montreal physician who administered to the fleeing American slaves at the Montreal end of the underground railway.

Barry Wansbrough was educated at Upper Canada and St. Andrew's College where he was Head Prefect, and then at Bishop's University where he was elected Senior Man in his graduating year. He came to Hamilton with his young family, his wife, Joan Lawson of the London family, and two young children, Mike and Connie. Daughter, Gwyn, would be born in Hamilton.

His experience was largely built during his six years of teaching at Upper Canada College. His main responsibilities included being Senior Housemaster of Jackson's, senior football coach, and member of the long-range planning committee, with his special focus being on the sports, clubs and cadet activities.

From the beginning, he was more interested in how the students learned than how they behaved. If the students were seriously engaged in learning and excellence, decent behaviour would follow. The annual Remembrance Day Service amply demonstrated this. Hope and



Barry Wansbrough, new Headmaster, with his young family: wife, Joan Lawson, and two young children, Mike and Connie

success are better motivators than detentions and groundings. This would be the thematic thread throughout his years.

HSC Chair Cam Corbet, commented, *'Mr. Wansbrough will need the co-operation of all those connected with the Colleges.'* It wasn't exactly clear whether this referred to the state of the person or the school. As it turned out it meant both!

# And Now We Are One 1969 - 1980

## Hillfield-Strathallan 1969 - 1970

David Ellis  
Head BoyFrances Hendrie  
Head GirlGrant Guenther  
Gov-Gen. MedalistDonna Carson  
Gov-Gen. MedalistAlan Hudak  
Boar-Pibroch Editor

Richard Bull



Robert Dolby



Claire Holmes



John Howard



Philip Hutton



Andy Innes



Philip Jones



Charles Kallai



John McColl



Alex Pazaratz



John Pemberton



Marian Rigby



Ann Rutherford



David Swift



Barry Taylor



Alex Wright

While the planning went on in the background, life for the students and staff carried on. Along with the new Headmaster, five new young staff joined the Senior School, including the remarkable and enduring Bryan 'Rex' Wylie, Alan Francis and Guy Dionne for whom the annual Christmas chant from the students came, 'Merry Christmas, Gueeee, wherever you may beeee.' Yvonne Jackson joined Montessori.

Dave Ellis and Frances Hendrie led the students as Head Boy and Girl through a busy year. Donna Carson and Grant Guenther led the academic side, winning the Governor-General's Medals. On

the sports front, the activity was spirited, with Peter West captaining a strong soccer team, Lorne Sobel the football and Alex 'Chops' Wright the hockey. Strath was emerging as a power in field-hockey led by Mary Isbister. Leslie Hannel and Becky Hills captained the volleyball and basketball teams. These programs would grow significantly over the years.

Alan Hudak made a huge contribution to the year. He led the editing team through the newly formatted *Boar-Pibroch*, produced and printed at the College by Lyn Tomlinson, the new head of printing. Doug Barnet helped as staff advisor. Alan also starred with Donna Carson and Lyle

Southam in Geoff Steel's production of *Goodbye, My Fancy*, and he was Cadet CO. The focus of the cadet program shifted from mostly parade drill to the more popular 'club' activities in order to build higher student interest. The Band and Gym platoons went on to exhibit in the broader community.

Bud McKay took on the Board Chair in this first transitional year into the new organizational model. He particularly remembers his good friend, Ramsay Evans, creating some very lively discussion during the Board meetings for the purpose of keeping the members present focussed and alert - that is awake! Bud was fully awake during his term and



A.R.W. McKay '36, Chair

provided the leadership that saw the College through.

The Parents' Associations' presidents, Jo Dalley and Helen Simpson, led strong teams for fundraising and hospitality. Old Boy president Colin Rayner and Old Girl



Bryan Wylie  
New Staff



Alan Francis  
New Staff



Guy Dionne  
New Staff



Yvonne Jackson  
New Staff



Lyn Tomlinson  
New Staff



Colin Rayner '56  
OB President



Joyce Gallagher '49  
OG President  
(Photo from Grad Year)



William Holton '58



Myrna Evel '56  
(Photo from Grad Year)

president Joyce (Rumney) Gallagher were supported by the young Bill Holton and Myrna (Weaver) Evel who went on to become the College's long time corporate secretary.

Of special interest was the passing of Bob Higgins '10, former captain of the Highfield football team. Returning to the United States after graduation, Higgins had become an All-American End at Penn State. He went on to coach the Penn State team for 19 years.

Though still on shaky ground, the College was actively planning to address the corporate issues while building on the strong traditions from the past.

### *In Memoriam*



Robert Higgins '10  
Photo from the 1910 Boar



### *The Way We Were*

Above: The uncovered walkways

Below: The buildings



Below, some unidentified students from Montessori



# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1970 - 1971



Danny Polos  
Head Boy



Karen Goldblatt  
Head Girl



Alan Hudak  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Diane Walker  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Marg Jennings  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Brian Ward  
Cadet C/CO



Mary Isbister



Susan Boothe



Colin Easson



Alan Harrison

The excellent work of Jo Dalley paid off with an additional 20 students.

This year, they were led by Danny Polos and Karen Goldblatt.

Academically, Alan Hudak and Diane Walker won the Governor-General's Medals, and Margie Jennings led the *Boar-Pibroch* editors, with Boggsie Ewart advising.

With a leaving class of some 39 grads, Jean Murray, the Guidance Officer and future Head of Miss Edgar's and Miss Cramp's School in Montre-

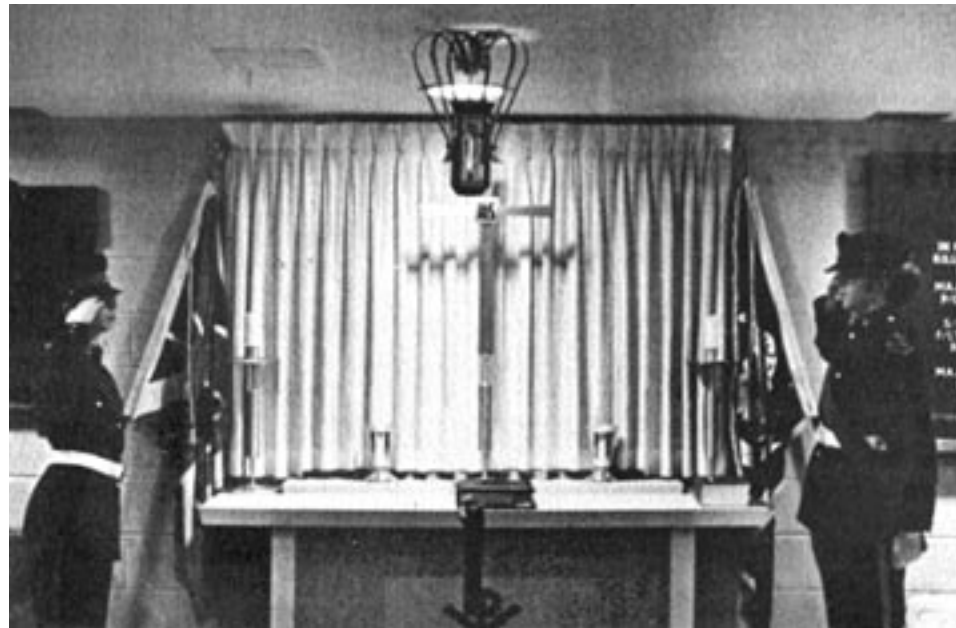
al, was kept hopping. It was an active year for the students as all of the activities, including Cadets with Brian Ward as C/CO, were

now open to both boys and girls. Peter West and Lorne Sobel repeated their captaincies, while Graham Steel led the hockey team,

and Len Cserhati the squash. Mary Isbister repeated for fieldhockey, with Cathy Young captaining volleyball and Marilyn Matthews basket-

ball. Drama flourished throughout the schools, with the Seniors producing *Strange Bedfellows*. Public service took on new methods for the first time with the introduction of 'Grub Days' and dress 'up' days in the Junior Schools, to raise money for the United Way.

In fact, this was a 'decision' year for



Chapel in 1971



Bill Harrison



John Hewson



Marion Howard



Marilyn Lawson



John MacDonald



John Marck



Allen Markowitz



Marilyn Matthews



Howard Miller



Peter Morison



Doug Newell



Dave Pucai



John Rolph



Glynnis Sheppard



Lorne Sobel



Joyce Bobb-Innis  
Head of Montessori



Helen Simpson  
P.A. President



"Boggs" Ewart

the organization. Moving ever closer together, the Primary was co-educated with Liz Currier as Head, with Alexia Newey playing a very supportive role. Eiblis (O'Brien-Revelle) Evans left with her new husband, Richard Evans '62 for the Maritimes, and was succeeded by Joyce Bobb-Innis. The Junior Schools (there were still two) resettled in Heaven and the Seniors in the Strathallan Building.

Careful work from Ben Simpson's Finance

Committee together with the increased enrolment put the operations back in the black, but the major fundraising met predictable delays. New plans and approaches appeared yearly, but the challenge remained.

Meantime, with the new rationalization of the schools in common age groups, it was full steam ahead with program development.



Aerial shot of the campus in 1971



Miss Jean Murray, Senior school teacher, doing makeup for drama



Mr. Wansbrough introduces Grub Day



Cathy Young



Dave Swift



Penny Taylor



Vicky Thompson



Peter West



Marianne Agro



Paul Byron



Len Cserhati



Mary Elwell



Linc Gallagher



Becky Hills



Sue Hurn



Bob Jamieson



John-Paul Jones



Dave Kenney



Bruce Sewell

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1971 - 1972



David Mills  
Head Boy  
Gov-Gen, Medalist



Mary Isbister  
Head Girl



Brigita Gravitas  
Gov-Gen, Medalist



Brian Ward  
Cadet C/CO



Karl Gravitas  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Steve Alford



Cynthia Gould



Melanie Isbister



Debbie Allen



Ed Callway



Barb Campaigne



Don Evans



Leslie Firth



Lindsay Firth



Brenda Grigg



Eleanor Howey



Marg Jennings



Jane Kenney



Ron Leong Poi



Jim Marck



Julie  
McCullough



Mike McLean



Jim McNabb



Cathy  
Newcomb



Peter Noel

The sixty-first year of the school was one of its busiest and most creative. Mary Isbister and David Mills did outstanding jobs as Head Girl and Boy. David also won the Hillfield Governor-General's Medal, and Brigita Gravitas won Strath's. They were backed up in sports by Graham Steel, Brian Ward (who once again was Cadet CO) and Steve Alford as boys' team captains. For the girls, Cynthia Gould, Melanie Isbister and Eleanor Howey led the teams. Karl Gravitas edited the *Boar-Pibroch*, and it grew in both size and quality as the production teams gained experience.

Mary Isbister carried on the theme for the girls of maintaining their identity in the new



From *The Hamilton Spectator*, on the occasion of Mr. Killip's 80th birthday: Arthur Killip, left, chats with Angus Scott '41, headmaster at Trinity College School in Port Hope, and Barry Wansbrough, Hillfield's current headmaster.

partnership. She saw positive progress in the extra-curricular program 'now offered to the girls... as wide and varied as the

boys'. This concentration on sports took its toll on the Cadet program which became voluntary for both the boys and girls.

The other big intrusion into the activities' time was the launch of the first major musical production, *The Boyfriend*. It was produced and directed by two young members of staff, Michael Roberston and Bryan Wylie. It took the community by storm, and subsequent musicals went a long way to funding the larger drama program, also growing under direction and guidance of the 25-year veteran, Geoff Steel. Leading the community involvement in the musicals were the Goldblatt sisters, Barb and Sonni, who were later honoured as Builders of HSC for their super support and contributions.

In the broader context of societal change, it was the time of Alvin Toffler's influential



*Dianne DeFreitas*



*Mora Hassell  
Acting Head,  
Montessori*



*Michael Robertson*



*Michael Loranger*



*George Whyte*



*Dawn Hardie*

book, Future Shock. A new paradigm emerged, and the College searched for the way to move with the times. The first attempt came from the Junior School with its Associates Program, supervised by Jack Rosenblatt. The program allowed the students to propose investigative

projects across subject disciplines, and to count the results in the final marks for those subjects. The key was that the marks were awarded by a panel and not necessarily the subject teacher. Predictably, it was a hit with the students and lasted several years.



*Barb and Sondi Goldblatt*

In the wider community, Arthur Killip celebrated his 80th birthday at a dinner held in his honour. One of the key sponsors was Colin S.

Lazier, who had recently been elevated to the bench. Sadly, the year also saw the passing of one of the school's real 'greats', and a Patron, Colonel, The Honourable Mr. Justice Colin Gibson. His contribution is, I hope, well and truly documented in these pages, and he is undoubtedly among the very few from the community without whom the College might have failed.

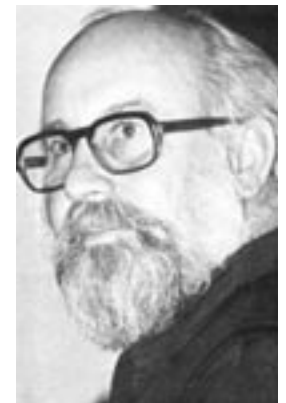
The rebuilding of the program was well underway in the school. This was made much easier by the Board's decision, under new chair, Roy Robertson, to support the policy of offering places only to students who had a good chance of succeeding. Some 75 students fell outside this category, so their

loss placed serious stress on enrolment in the immediate term. A serious deficit resulted, but the College pressed on, hiring the very capable Gracie Eaman to start organizing the records for stronger community information services and fundraising.

While some members of the Board were rightly alarmed by the financial situation, the majority supported the plan to keep the focus on building top quality or giving it up. They were also deeply involved in making it so.



*R.D. Robertson, Chair*



*Geoff Steel celebrates his 25th anniversary at the school*



*Rick Preston*



*Blair Robinson*



*Nancy Robson*



*Bob Singer*



*Graham Steel*



*Edmeé Steiner*



*Mark Taylor*



*George Truman*



*Brad Buzza*



*Les Davies*



*Darlene Lee*



*Lesley McKay*



*Chris Parke*



*Lisa Pemberton*



*Bill Summerhayes*

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1972 - 1973



Peter Robertson  
Head Boy



Cynthia Gould  
Head Girl



Jamie Ker  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Suzanne Harris  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Daphne Gould  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Martha Bagnall  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Chris McNally  
Cadet C/CO



Vicki Balfour



Anne Bothwell



Mark Cook

As it happened, the Board's confidence was well-placed, for despite a mild recession in the economy, enrolment grew and the financial results were most promising, despite the difficulty in raising money to pay off the debt. The promising times supported the 'sprucing up' of the buildings, and wonderful super-graphics adorned the walls, courtesy of parent Bill Velke and the incredibly creative efforts of Sandy Sanderson.

Sandy bolstered the wave of creative young staff joining the College. This year saw the arrival of Peter Annable and John Kersley, both of whom would eventually join the 25 year club.

The next addition to this new energy was Tom Mack-an's incredibly ambitious *Pennies From Heaven*. Heaven is the name of the Junior building, and each member of the staff took part in its production, with 175 students all on stage, sometimes at once, singing their hearts out.

In the Senior School, the blend of sports, drama and music embellished the strengthening academic program, or as some might reflect, vice versa. In fact, as the music program grew to take its share of time, the students often had difficult choices to make.

Leading them at the student level were Cynthia

Gould and Peter Robertson. On the academic side, Jamie Ker and Suzanne Harris took the Governor-General's Medals, and Daphne Gould and Martha Bagnall edited the *Boar-Pibroch*.

Captains of the sports teams included Ed Stawowy and Peter Robertson, football, Charlie Krupansky, soccer, Gary DeGroote, Melanie Isbister for both fieldhockey and basketball, and Cynthia Gould for



?, Paul Fritz and Daphne Gould in a scene from *L'il Abner*

volleyball. Doug Drury took the Smye Cup.

In drama the students outdid themselves with the production of *Murder in the Cathedral* with Peter Robertson as Becket, magnificently performed in the Anglican



Doug Drury



Judith Ewen



Colin Gibson



Karl Gravitis



Liz Green



Sean Hourigan



Carol Hynd



Melanie  
Isbister



Judy  
Greenaway



Leslie  
Heatherington



Charles  
Krupansky



Bill Larose



Fred Luk



John  
McNichol



Greg Reeds

Christ Church Cathedral in Hamilton. *Li'l Abner* was the year's musical with Paul Frits and Daphne

Gould in the leads. Paul did some very exciting dramatic work, especially his multi-media production of *The Great Hunger* the year before.

And the cadets had a good year, too. The focus was far more on the club activities than on marching. Uniforms were those of the activities, or just normal smart civilian. Chris McNally was Cadet CO, and Judith Greenaway the platoon commander for the girls. Jim Stokes, who also taught art, was

the chief instructor, and his wife, Ruth, was honoured by the Governor-General with recognition for her military work in Canada and Germany where she 'served with singular distinction'.

In the wider community, Bob McMurrich and Pat Haynes organized the alumni with dinners and sporting events, while Mary McCulloch led the parents to ever greater involvement in the school. John Smith, Old Boy and former staff, was appointed parliamentary

assistant to the Ontario Minister of Industry and Tourism. Bill Thomson '42, had his paintings purchased by the Canada Council. Jack Langs '61 had the extraordinary distinction of being named a Director of the Bank of Canada, and Clifton Farrell '69 won the gold medal in geology at Queen's.

The energy and action was pumping. Would it be enough?



Above, two scenes from *Pennies from Heaven*



From *The Hamilton Spectator*: When the Strathallan Old Girls' Association held its 50th Anniversary Dinner this week at Hillfield-Strathallan School, many original members attended. Admiring a photo of the school when it opened are (from left): Betty Holton Drury of Ottawa, Edith Grinstead, one of the original teachers, and Patricia Haynes, outgoing president of the association.



The art of socializing



Dave Simpson



Richard Smelser



Warren Thompson



Jay Thomson



Susan Timmis



Ian Wigle



Peter Annable  
New Staff



John Kersley  
New Staff  
(current photo)



Sandy Sanderson  
New Staff

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1973 - 1974



Bob Howard  
Head Boy



Lorrie Carson  
Head Girl



Fred Balfour  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Georgia Guenther  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Hugh Ker  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Martha Bagnall  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Sue Barnes



Dave Barnett



Barb Black



Peggy Budd

It's difficult to imagine what Misses Virtue and Fitzgerald might have thought had they visited the school on Strathallan's 50th anniversary. The school was now co-educated in both the Primary and Senior classes, and even in the middle, where classes were still separate, there was a common teaching staff. The girls could wear long Black Watch trousers in the winter!

One would like to think that they would have cheered the role of the girls in the new school, and the work of the staff in its creative efforts to challenge the girls to ever higher achievements. Of the physical environment, the

Founders would have been pleased to see the Gingko trees beside Strathallan, the spacious and ever improving grounds, and some of the old chairs and desks from the early days. Miss Virtue might have grinned, slyly, and Miss Fitzgerald marvelled at how well the buildings were house-kept. Miss Fitzgerald would have been astonished to see the food bills, and would have rejoiced to see Hannah McDermott complete 25 years service in the kitchen!

As enrolment grew, so did the staff, and this year four future School Heads, all to become Quarter Century members, joined HSC:

Brenda Zwolak, Cathy Innes, Noel Spratt and Barb Lazier, again! Old Girl, Mia Wilkinson, reconnected with her old school to teach English in the Senior School. In the primary, Jean Hof came, and so did one of the area's most respected teachers from the Halton Board, Eva Leek. The energy just kept building.

The newly appointed Assistant Headmaster, Commodore Paul Taylor, complimented Head Girl, Lorrie Carson, and Head Boy, Bob Howard as being "*a privilege to work with*".

Backing them as sports captains were the brother and sister DeGroote team,

Gary and Joni, Martha Bagnall and Michele Hourigan. Football took on multiple captains this year, with Ed Stawowy back, and Gregg Barrow and Mike Ward first-time captains. Bob Jacques in soccer and Bruce Heagle in basketball rounded out the year.

Martha also joined Hugh Ker in editing the *Boar-Pibroch*, and Fred Balfour and Georgia Guenther topped the academic honours amidst an ever strengthening group of high achievers.

Drama again flourished, with senior productions of the comedy *As Long as They're Happy*, and another



Lee Anne  
Burton



Pat Connor



Gary DeGroote



Ritch Ford



Daphne Gould



Rupert Grigull



Janice Heagle



Anne Hendrie



Michele  
Hourigan



Bob Jacques



Ian McKay



Jeff McKay



Mary  
McMulkin



Marcel  
Mongeon



Mark Mullins



Brenda Zwolak  
New Staff



Cathy Innes  
New Staff



Noel Spratt  
New Staff



Barbara Lazier '67  
New Staff



Jean Hof  
New Staff



Eva Leek  
New Staff



Mia Wilkinson '67  
New Staff

blockbuster musical, *Guys and Dolls*. Marcel Mon-geon, Robin Campbell, Alix Harstone and Daphne Gould, with many others, led the dramatic corps. These productions involved huge numbers of off-stage crews. The stage crews were hard pressed to keep up, but they did, led and urged on for many years by Jim Stokes, the art master.

In summary for the state of the College for the year, enrolment hadn't quite returned to the numbers of the late '60s, but the budgets, including paying down the debt, were covered by a substantial surplus, despite the difficult fundraising

times. In fact, the times were very anxious. The economy declined but inflation grew, a phenomenon known as stagflation. Drugs were a big enough problem on campus and on trips to warrant the occasional visit from the police. Most of the Grade 13 students could legally drink, and this made the school dances and functions a huge challenge. The 'generation gap' was at its height, and authority had to be earned by both parents and staff. The old order was definitely gone, but the new order was still some way off. That's the minus side.

On the plus side, in addition to what's already been

told, the property was looking much better thanks to the support of the tireless Arthur Killip and his RBG advisor, Dr. Les Laking, and Peter Bradley's solid efforts. Peter Lush, parent of John and Valerie, financed the first major improvement to the grounds by sponsoring the complete overhaul of the tennis courts.

Under Roy Robertson, a new core of Board members emerged, and Ben Simpson '41 took up the chair this year.



J.B. Simpson '41, QC, Chair



Montessori Halloween celebration



Mike Pollard



Jon Simkins



Ed Stawowy



Dave Stiglick



Gillian Tutton



Bob Velenosi



Rob Webb



Ian Wigle



Sing Chou  
Chew

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1974 - 1975



Duncan Fraser  
Head Boy



Alix Harstone  
Head Girl



Peter Steel  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Robin Campbell  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Philip Steel  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Stephen Newell  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Robert  
Armstrong



Monica  
Cheung



Mary Ann  
Crooker



Nina Dobisek



John Evans



Wendy Evans



Greg Fraleigh



Ross Hopmans



Misty  
Ingraham



Hugh Ker



Michael  
Kovacs



Michael  
Krupansky



David Lam



Paul Lee



Kathy Long



Linda MacLean



Carol  
McCallum



Lois Miller



Michael Mills

As confidence in the school's future grew, so did the enrolment. The Board felt that if enrolment could reach 600 students, there would be a viable operation. This year saw some 650 students in class in September. The energy of the community, and word that things were happening on the Mountain were surely the main reason for the jump, but the province helped enormously with its new Hall-Dennis program which parents and teachers alike held in profound contempt. Halton County dove right in, and HSC took many of its best students.

Under the enthusiastic

student heads, Alix Harstone (also captain of field-hockey) and Duncan Fraser, spirits were high and achievement great. Duncan has continued to be in close touch with the school, and has made an important contribution to the heritage movement in Alberta. In sports, Peter Steel was captain of soccer, while Greg Barrow was one of three for football. He would receive a university scholarship in football, following his famous father, Ticat John, number 66. Bruce Heagle captained two teams, football and basketball.



Bust of Cmdr. Paul Taylor, by  
Patrick Bermingham '78

Mike Ward shared football while Hugh Ker led the hockey. Jill Pilgrim, who later went on to become a lawyer and sports agent in New York City, captained a strong volleyball team, and Liz Callaghan kept up the spirits of girls' basketball.

Early in the '70s, Boris Brott, the famous musical conductor from Montreal, joined the Hamilton Philharmonic and became a parent at the school. His strategy was to attract key ensembles to form the core of each section of the orchestra. One of these core ensembles was

the Canadian Brass who were introduced to the school by longtime board member, Larry Paikin, and trombonist Gene Watts' two boys, Kevin and Keith, were students at the school. Gene and Chuck Dallenbach, the virtuoso tuba player, besides bringing the Brass to HSC and other community schools for special concerts, founded the Philharmonic Institute.

While the school had had brilliant church musicians to teach music, from the time Tony Dawson left, the program regressed. Chuck and Gene took up the challenge to revive music across the campus, much as Mario Polidori had tried to do a



Andy Philpot  
New Staff



Graham Clements  
New Staff



Elizabeth Seymour  
New Staff



Peter Meszaros  
New Staff



Bill Fleming  
New Staff  
(current photo)

few years earlier in art. An incredibly creative program was drawn up involving a broad range of local musicians. Had they stayed in Hamilton, they could have made a major name for themselves among the independent schools. Opportunities missed!

Andy Philpot came to teach at HSC that year, as, with the resignation of Jim Stokes, did Graham Clements from England. Elizabeth Seymour took up where Gracie Eaman left off, and was widely respected for her work with the Alumni.

The younger students also needed attractive resources. With Mike, Connie and Gwynnie in the school, the

Head's wife, Joan, led the drive to install a Big Toy. Controversial at first because of its relatively large cost and perception of being dangerous, it soon became the favourite activity for many young students.

**Parent:** *What did you like best about school today?* **Student, (very seriously):** *The Big Toy.* Case closed.

With the increase in enrolment, the school needed more space. The first priority was for additional gym space and classroom space for the Junior and Early Education schools. Trevor Garwood-Jones, the leading architect in Hamilton and parent and Board member, was enormously helpful

through the years in helping to think through our space and design needs.

Ben Simpson '41 brought to his chairmanship the full history of the school through his student days, his term as President of the Old Boys' Association, as a parent and, finally, as a board member. As Board Chair, Ben shepherded through the approval stages of the first major redevelopment plan of the Mountain, the centrepiece being what is now the Michael G. DeGroote gym. They were heady days.

Right after Prize Day, the shovels were out once more, turning the sod for the future. Those were the days, and plans were afoot.



Kathy Schleissner



John Simpson



Patricia Steel



Dave Walker



Ross Wigle



George Woo



Mike Woodhall



From **The Hamilton Spectator**: Hillfield-Strathallan teacher Alex Sanderson is not really investigating a car crash in the back of his classroom. What this half car really is is an innovative idea in reading rooms. Mr. Sanderson felt his students could benefit from a quiet place to read when their lessons were on so he sliced a wrecked car in half, painted it and set it up at the back of the room. He reports that line-ups are quiet fierce at times for the car.

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1975 - 1976



Peter Sephton  
Head Boy



Karen Long  
Head Girl



Mickey Lo  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Denyse Hourigan  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Anne Louise Snedden  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Peter Ambrose



Jennifer Beatty



Richard Chau



Linda Dodgson



Lee Ann Dornville

A formula was established for the sustainability and growth of the College: plan and build program in the economic high times, build in the recessionary times, and pay off the cost through the increase in enrolment that invariably followed. Of course there would be an end to the process, and in view of the relatively modest fundraising potential in the community, longer-term sustainability strategies would be needed. For now, there were essential building blocks to put into place.

The students returned to the sounds of construction for the new facilities. The Board, led by Roy Robertson, Colin Campbell (who assumed the Chair this year) and Ben Simpson, took the decision to proceed with construction, largely on the prospects of future success

rather than on a flush College purse. But they were greatly encouraged by a small corps of financial backers including Patron Frank Sherman, future Patron and benefactor, Mike DeGroot, joined by Phil Spicer and Pat McNally. It was a team to make things happen.

Besides chairing the Board, Colin also led the Dofasco team in restoring the boilers and buildings back to health. With the full support of Patron Frank Sherman, the president of Dofasco, Colin's team of Bill Burns and Bill Atkinson restored the boilers, and Steve Krupis crew installed solid steel doors to replace the flimsy wooden ones. This meant that now, when the boys crashed through the doorways, the doors held fast and the boys bounced!

Peter Sephton and Karen Long led the students as Head Boy and

Head Girl, with Mickey Lo and Denyse Hourigan taking the top academic honours. Anne Louise Snedden, besides taking major dramatic roles, edited the *Boar-Pibroch*. Her theme for the year was the coming together of the students, and she reorganized the layout to reflect this.

In sports, the girls' teams were led by Sheila Russell, fieldhockey, Lorrie McIntosh, volleyball, and Caroline Bruckman, basketball. The boys had Bruce Drury, Greg Barrow and Mike Ward in football, Steve Clark in hockey, Bruce Heagle in basketball, and Peter McLaughlin in soccer. The old trophies were still in competition with Jill Pilgrim and Vance McCue winning the Wilcox and Smye cups. Drama continued to thrive with *Exit the Body* as the Senior play, *No, No, Nanette* as the block-

buster musical, *Arsenic and Old Lace* from the Intermediates, and *HMS Pinafore* from the Juniors.

Primary and Montessori, too, had their most ambitious productions.

The community was saddened to learn of the passing of Miss Fiennes-Clinton, an original member of the 25-year club. Mike Lorange took up where Paul Taylor left off as Assistant Headmaster, and increased enrolment allowed for the further growth of a very dynamic teaching staff. Anna Schafer, Karen Traynor, Candy Shewchuk, Jay Parry, Carol Dauda, two Pams, Annable and Perkins, and Ray Marks, all joined HSC



Beth Drury



Mark Ecklin



Doug Evans



Jay Goldblatt



Lori Goldblatt



Jodi Halliday



Bruce Heagle



Doug Jacques



Stewart Lamon



Patrick Lee



Karen Lyster



Vance McCue



Saint McColl



Jim McLean



Kathy Neale



that year, and what contributions they would make. Sandra Allan led an active Parents' Association. Old Boys Commander Fred Lee '54 was president of the Maritime Defence Association, Jim Thomson '47 became Publisher of the **Brantford Expositor**, and Peter Rumpel was cited as one of America's most imaginative architects.

With the construction of the new building under way, it was time to plan for program growth and to identify priorities. Under the title Providing For Excellence, key areas were identified: for many, if not most students, French was a subject of acute frustration in that the outcomes involved neither being able to read, write nor speak the language, even after many years of study. This was the first item on the plan. Secondly, the music program mirrored that of French in practical outcomes, and the new plan addressed those deficits. Thirdly, it was apparent that new and enriched library facilities were

mandatory.

The science labs were bare bones, with the biology lab having typing tables on which to carry out experiments. Clearly they needed upgrading. Finally, the world was awakening to the computer, slow, awkward and tentative as it was in education. As this technology had already landed a man on the Moon, we planned to see what it could do for education.

The successes of the drama program, and especially the musicals, was not mirrored in the growth or successes in the senior sports program. The sports focus had shifted almost completely from the house to team sports, but the levels and areas in which we could compete were far from clear. It was important that the teams compete in leagues in which they had a reasonable chance of success, and that they compete 'our best against their best', i.e. our firsts against their firsts. For the girls, this was already the case. Boys'

sports needed attention. To that end, and for those reasons, football became the fall major sport, basketball (with the new gym) the winter and soccer the spring sport. The soccer and hockey supporters were very upset with this new direction. Despite this, the plan went through, but it would change over the years as conditions changed.

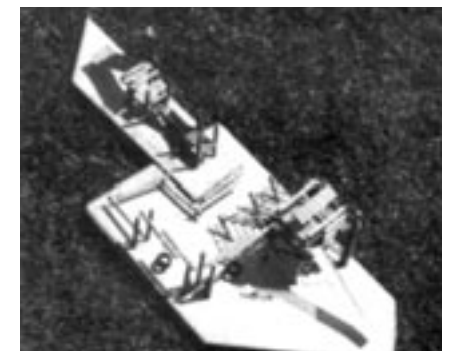
With the latest facilities in place, the forward planning accelerated.



Colin D. Campbell, BSc, Chair



A close up of the Big Toy (above), and an aerial view of the Big Toy (below)



# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1976 - 1977



Andrew Brown  
Head Boy



Anne-Marie Hourigan  
Head Girl/Gov.Gen. Medalist



Jim Shaver  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Doug Harrison  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Ian Barnes



Lorna Beatty



Liz Blackborrow



Pam Braden



Joanne Bradley



Caroline  
Bruckmann



Eldon Bull



Liz Callaghan



Bev Evans



Jim Fairbairn



Dave Falco



Bernie Faloney



Liz Fleming



Mike Gutman



Nick Jeeves



Paul Kadar



David Kuehner



Mabel Lee



Sue Leggat



Kamilla Mahabir



Lorrie  
McIntosh

The big event this year was the Grand Opening of the new facilities, and one of the College's most distinguished graduates, His Excellency, Sir Edwin Leather, KCMG, KCVO, LL.D. did the honours. The New Gym, now the Michael G. DeGroote Gym, was the centre-piece, but there were also significant additions to the Killip and Heaven buildings. Other improvements, especially to the locker rooms and Strathallan building, significantly raised morale.

Andy Brown and Anne-Marie Hourigan headed the prefects, and Anne-Marie also won top academic honours for the

girls. Jim Shaver took them for the boys.

Doug Harrison led the team to an ever improving *Boar-Pibroch*, the tenth edition, with Jay Parry as staff advisor. Bernie Faloney captained the football and hockey teams and Andy Brown

the soccer and basketball. On the girls' side, Michelle Bowes was captain of both volleyball and basketball, and Anne-Marie Hourigan, if she hadn't enough already, led the fieldhockey squad to the city finals. The field-hockey program was very

strong, with 18 alumnae, many from the class of '75, on either university or college teams.

Drama continued apace with Louise Snedden, Nick Jeeves, Mike Gutman,

Jason Rodney and Beth Stradwick, all with strong performances. The musical took a breather from the 'big shows' and ran a *Broadway in Review* musical hits production. It was the year of energetic jazz and tap, thanks once more to the Goldblatt sisters and the great dance instructor, Jessie Lowes. The Intermediates produced *A Midsummer Night's Dream* with a large and enthusiastic cast. The Juniors carried on with the G & S productions, this time, *Patience*, the satire on aesthetic excess. Carmen Sorger played a fine Patience, and Nicky St. John a convincing Jane. Tony Evans and David Rumsey carried



Sir Edwin Leather '33 is greeted by Chair of the Board, Colin Campbell, at the opening of the 'new' gym



*Catherine  
Garwood-Jones  
PA President*



*Pam Atkinson  
New Staff*



*Russell Newfield  
New Staff*



*Brett Dalton  
New Staff*

off Bunthorne and Grosvenor, the aesthetes, while Mark Haskett, Jay Swanborough and Mike Snetsinger shared the role of the Colonel.

From the staff, Stuart Waters, widely liked and respected by colleagues, parents and students, retired after a fine career at the school. Pam Atkinson, Blanka Guyatt, Russell Newfield and Brett Dalton all came to HSC that year, further strengthening the corps of 'lifers' on staff.

Catherine Garwood-Jones led the Parents' Association to another strong year, and news from the alumni included

Charlie Krupansky's '73 winning of the MVP for Dartmouth University soccer, and Hamish Robertson's '60 appointment as Associate Professor of Nuclear Physics at Michigan State University.

The new programs and facilities were taking root. The results would show.



*Administrative Staff*

*Back row: Mr. W. Ferguson (Transportation), Mrs. W. Rayfield (Headmaster's Secretary), Mrs. K. Lord (Bookkeeper), Miss C. Goulding (Switchboard), Mrs. R. Frank (Bookkeeper)  
Front row: Miss I. Sebrins (Admissions Secretary), Mrs. P. Ryckman (Records Secretary)*



*Boar-Pibroch Staff*

*Back row: Eleanor Lai, Bill Schwenger, Roy Adams, Jane McNair, Doug Harrison, Mrs. Parry  
Front row: Lorna Beatty, Sue Leggat, Jeannie Baxter, Chris Tessaro, Marc Ollivier, Ian Barnes*



*Jane McNair*



*Nancy Miller*



*Mike Misener*



*Neil Nichols*



*Sara Parke*



*Bill Schwenger*



*Jim Shaver*



*Jane Taylor*



*John Watson*



*Jeannie Baxter*



*Michelle Bowes*



*Dave Campbell*



*Eleanor Lai*



*Sue Richards*



*Judy Lax*



*Louise Shedd*



*Debbie Schatz*



*Paul Rotsaert*

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1977 - 1978



Tim McLaughlin  
Head Boy



Kathy Ryan  
Head Girl



David Welbourn  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Susan Jones  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Martin Zack  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Jane Abraham



Geoffrey Allan



Sheila Buchanan



Cheryl Budzey



Bill Butler



Jane Cameron



Liane Cooper



Louise  
Cordingley



Warren Dakin



John Durran



Dan Falla



Wally Faloney



Doug Harrison



Barb Heagle



Stella Siw-Ping  
Ho



Sandy Howell



Susan Fraser-  
Hynd



Hamish  
Inksetter



Naina Kapur



Kate Laidlaw

This year Doug Heagle took the Chair of the Board, ably supported by the Acting, Temporary, Assistant Vice-Chair, Larry Paikin. Doug (and Larry) had been key movers in the development process as Chairs of Finance and Education, and would keep things moving from the Board's side.

Reflecting back from the late '90s, Doug remembers his time in the transition years. *'On the horizon was the dawning of the Information Revolution led by the computer, software and the Internet. We gradually became aware as to how these developments would impact teaching and learning at HSC. What*

*became increasingly evident was that the new culture we were building at Hillfield was very key and essential to being able to incorporate these new tools into our school curriculum successfully.'*

The class of '78 was arguably the most rambunctious certainly in recent history. Some of the classes of the mid '60s might have challenged, but this class had a history and a personality not often found in schools. With Kathy Ryan and Tim McLaughlin taking the lead as Head Girl and Boy, the others all played strong roles. Susan Jones and David Welbourn took the Governor-General's Medals in a class that was very strong academi-

cally. Martin Zack edited the **Boar-Pibroch**, and newcomer Tony Hughes directed its production. This was an immediate success, and continues to be right up to the present.

The sports grew and strengthened, with Kathy Ryan and Naina Kapur leading the fieldhockey team to an undefeated tournament at Sunnybrook. Debbie Cooper and Leah Ann Wright won the city doubles tennis, and the girls also won the swimming. Beth Deppner captained both the girls' basketball and volleyball. Wally Faloney captained both soccer and football which he

shared with Kyle Barrow and Tim McCleary.

On the stage, the moving production of the **Sound of Music** took the audiences by storm, as did the Junior production of **Oliver**. **Twelve Angry Men** rounded out a spectacular season.

Kevin Nutley went right up the Science Fair ladder to win a place at the US national fair. As his exhibit in live biology, he was not allowed to take the project into the US. Rotten luck. In the same area, Ed Palonek and Danny Falla drove a car they had adapted to methanol fuel to Ottawa to prove a point to the politicians, and learned





Barbara Lazier  
Alumni President



Mark Hudson  
New Staff



Anthony Hughes  
New Staff



Larry Paikin

something of challenging the political-industrial sector! Jamie Cooper won the Classics Fair prize with his model of the Parthenon, and went on to become an eminent architect.

It was also the year of our national unity conference, We-Can Oui-Can held in view of the Head's concern over disturbing news from the Quebec separatists. All of our Grade 12s went out to the provinces and territories and visited with their peers, and then students from those places came back for the conference. Under the patronage of McMaster president, Arthur Bourns and Mohawk President Sam Mitminger,

and great support from the community, delegates debated many resolutions key to the future of the country. Commodore Taylor came back to prepare and organize it and Brett Dalton supervised the sessions and schedules. It was a unique happening.

The year also saw the redesigning and naming of Lawson Hall thanks to a generous donation from the Lawson family to honour the Honourable Ray Lawson, former Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario. His Honour was the great-grandfather of the Wansbrough children.

In staff news, Michaele Robertson assumed the post

of Dean of Women as Ginette Jeeves took on Senior Mistress. Mark Hudson came to teach phys. ed. and math, and Tony Hughes to teach art. Geoff Steel completed his 30th year and became a permanent fixture! Kay Durran was president of the Parents' Association, with Barb Lazier back as Alumni president. This year saw Fenner Dalley's '35 election to the Chair of the Art Gallery of Hamilton, and Spence Allan's '14 appointment as Honorary Colonel of the Argyle and Sutherland Regiment, thus carrying on the fine old Highfield traditions.



Mr. Douglas E. Heagle BA, Chair

What a year.



Mrs. Miggsie Lawson, The Honourable Ray Lawson, former Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, Col. Tom Lawson, the Headmaster, and Mr. Doug Heagle, Board Chair



Doug White



Dave Wasserman



Mark Swire



Nat Stiglick



Alan Shepherd



Molly Lamon



Ron Lax



Steve Mak



Tim McCleary



Judy McMurrich



J. Roger D. Mongeon



Sharon Muikewich



Susan Niedermayr



Steve Paikin



Ed Palonek



Patricia Pasinato



Kathy Richards



Chris Roberts



Jason Rodney



Michael Seebeck

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1978 - 1979



Chris West  
Head Boy



Sue Helwig  
Head Girl



Martin Zack  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Lina Lee  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Peter Miller  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Keith Winter  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Gordon Barritt



Meredith Bean



Anna Butler



Tim Chatham

Could such a successful year as 1977-78 be duplicated?

No two years are alike in the complexity of human dynamics. This was a quieter year, to be sure, but one with real accomplishment. Solid leadership from Head Boy, Chris West, and Head Girl, Sue Helwig kept the place on an even keel with some impressive results. As usual, these were well-reported in the **Boar-Pibroch**, co-edited by Peter Miller and Keith Winter.

The girls' sports program continued to grow, with Janet Simpson as captain of volleyball, Liz de Jong of basketball, and Martha Morison

of the city champs fieldhockey team. Scott Lane won all of his SOSSA cross-country races. On the boys' side, Stu Ham captained the soccer team while Andy Barker and Jeff Paikin did so for basketball. Kyle Barrow, Chris Falco and Dave Hazell led the football.

On the stage, the Seniors produced the hilarious **You Can't Take It With You**, the Intermediates the impressive **Anne of Green Gables**, and the Juniors raised the bar once again with a full production of **Fiddler on the**

**Roof**. Topping it all off was the staff production of **Pirates of Penzance** in which the more senior thespians showed their stuff, and very impressively, too.

Two more lifers joined the staff this year, Rob Reiner and Karen Ford who was actually the first in the College to use a computer in her work, an Apple II with 4Kb memory. Also joining the staff this year was Bruce Kaye who directed the fundraising for the College and saw us through to the end of our debt!



Sandy Johnston and Patty Fischer also joined us this year. Most extraordinarily, 82-year-old Alex McKenzie, who came to us as a bus driver years previously, was still turning up each spring to help with the grounds.

One of the most significant moves made in the education of the students at the College started this year, the 'Resource' program. The incomparable adolescent physician, Dr. Jim Anderson, approached the school to see if there was interest in trying new ways of helping especially those students with very different learning profiles. A plan developed with Jay Parry on the College's end,



John Choi



Eva Ciok



Deborah Cooper



Elizabeth  
De Jong



Beth Deppner



Christopher Eydt



Christopher  
Falco



Lesley Gow



Shelley  
Hertzberg



John Holton



Cameron  
Johnston



Doug Johnston



Sara Jane Kiefer



John Lush



Martha  
Morison



Karen (Linley) Ford  
New Staff  
Sandra Johnston  
New Staff  
Robert Reiner  
New Staff  
Patty Fischer  
New Staff  
Alex McKenzie

and support for the first year from Wayne Nusca, Jim's assistant at his Chedoke Cool School. Out of this program would come a succession of initiatives focussed on building alternate means for students with diverse learning patterns to acquire the essential information needed for academic success and alternate means for them to exhibit their knowledge. Jay's work in the Resource Program at HSC is now legendary.

The other big start this year was the purchase of the school's first PDP 11, four station computer with literally 10's of Kb memory! Grant Guenther, the distinguished alumni scholar, would join

the staff in the fall, and his field was math and computers. He started the school on its way, and for many years it has been at the fore of the use of computers in school environments.

Marlene Jacques was president of the Parents' Association which ran the first and very successful of the large fund fundraisers through a giant garage and book sale. These would develop into very major Fair Days.

Finally, from the alumni came interesting news. Alan Hudak was the third HSC grad from the Mac medical program. Rob Ewart '65 was the first, and Fred Baxter '67 the second. HSC would



*Claudie Balinon leads the Primary Choir in the performance of the 'Hallowe'en Boogie Woogie'*

become a major provider of students for the program.

For a quiet year there was a whole lot going on. And more to come.



Frederick Morison  
Letitia Nadalin  
Robin Rumsey  
Dean Rutty  
Amy Schwenger  
Greg Sephton  
Jane Shaver  
Janet Simpson  
Tim Spears  
Jill Swanborough  
Leah Wright

### *Resource Program Founders*



Jay Parry  
Wayne Nusca  
Dr. Jim Anderson

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1979 - 1980



Jeff Paikin  
Head Boy



Vivian Yard  
Head Girl



David Salmon  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Jennifer Schatz  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Tricia de Jong  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Carolyn Anders



Andrew Barker



Timothy Barker



Allison Beatty



Joan Buchanan

In this year's Golden Anniversary **Boar-Pibroch** editorial, Tricia de Jong followed the consistent line of trying to bring the students together into one educational community, aptly metaphored by the design of the puzzle on the inside cover - fitting the pieces together. As always, the students were far ahead of the adults.

Jeff Paikin and Vivian Yard showed great leadership as Head Boy and Head Girl, with Jennifer Schatz and David Salmon taking top academic honours. In sports, it was an active and building year not without some excellent

achievements, especially in Track and Field coached by Phil James. Gill Morton, Heather Boomer, and Mike Ryan all had firsts in the Hamilton meet, with Mike, Dave Hazell, Gord Morison and Mike Ziff all taking top ribbons in the ISAA meet. Ria Brockhaus performed exceptionally in the city midget high jump.

Other teams fought bravely on, football led by Dave Hazell, Forbes Morton and Kevin Nutley, basketball by Jeff Paikin, and soccer by Mike Ryan. The girls' teams had Anne Pigott captaining fieldhockey and volleyball, and Alison Beatty for basketball. There

was significant energy building that would start showing results very soon.

Drama had a very active year with the Seniors producing **I Remember Mama**, the Juniors another big musical, **Annie Get Your Gun**, and the Intermediates the very creepy **Creatures Creep!** From Early Ed, the students always looked forward to the youngsters' performance of the **Halloween Hop** at Prayers - very scary!

Not to be left out, the Early Education schools moved right into the activities program with regular extra-curricular team and club activities spearheaded

by Noel Spratt, Rick Stockdale, Carol Stanton, Claudie (Sanderson) Balinsson and Diana Miller. This energy and balanced male and female leadership led to very strong enrolment.

It was another active year in the life of the staff. Increasing enrolment and some openings brought another wave of 'lifers' this year. John Beaver, Carol Stanton, Rick Stockdale, Nancy Braun, Gudrun Mitterling, Mary Jane Kearns-Padgett and Nancy Rocca all came, as did Moira Chisholm and Mark Sazio for shorter terms. Quite an invasion. The staff produced another



Sarah Cameron



Anthony Chmiel



Richard Cook



Carolyn Curry



Andrew Goulden



Stuart Ham



David Hazell



Daniela Hynes



Glen Ireland



Philip Irving



Rozlyn Jackson



Paul Johnston



Robert Mackenzie



Elizabeth Macrae



Amy McLaughlin



Laura Seki  
New Staff



John Beaver  
New Staff



Carol Stanton  
New Staff



Rick Stockdale  
New Staff



Nancy Braun  
New Staff



Gudrun Mitterling  
New Staff



Mary Jane  
Kearns-Padgett  
New Staff



Nancy Rocca  
New Staff



Marnie Paikin  
Prize Day Guest of  
Honour



John Simpson  
Alumni President

Gilbert & Sullivan night, this year ***Trial by Jury*** and ***HMS Pinafore*** to more grateful houses. They raised \$3000 for the local Rotary underprivileged children's fund.

They also mounted a cricket team to challenge the Old Boys, but with Ed Dillane '54 turning up, they went a bridge too far. On a sadder note, a long-time member of the cleaning staff, Louis Giglio, who kept the gyms and Lawson Hall spotless, passed away.

Leila Ryan set a milestone by becoming the first woman Chair of the College, as did Marnie Paikin as first woman Prize Day Guest of Honour. Husband

Larry got the spouse's flowers that year and son Jeff the many mugs! Peggy Nutley was a very productive president of the Parents' Association, and John

Simpson took over as President of the alumni. Deane Ewart '67 was elected Orillia's Citizen of the Year. Former

Chair, Colin Glassco '19, took up the challenge of fund-raising in the Gold Brick Campaign with great success. He was a wonderful support to the College in its toughest area.

Providing For Excellence was moving ahead, the difficult '70s nearly over, and new horizons beckoned.



Dr. Leila W.M. Ryan, Chair



*Old Boys Cricket*

Back row: Col. J.P. Page (umpire), D.R. Heaven '56, Dr. G.T. Menon (parent), J.F. Evans '55, J.E.T. Dillane '55, D.W. Muir '52, G.G. Steel (umpire)

Front row: D.I. Gallagher '49, H.J. Murray '51, A.R.W. McKay '37 (captain), W.D. Graham '51, J.J. Evel '55



Keith Winter



John White



Scott Warriner



Bill Walker



Sandy Van  
Lierop



Elizabeth  
Taylor



Peter Miller



Kent Milligan



Becky Murray



Andrew Noxon



Kevin Nutley



Alexandra  
Pasinato



Marna Pelech



Julia Lee Pelech



Lisa Pflieger



William Pickett



Anne Louise  
Pigott



Suzanne Rhodes



John Ryan



Czerny So



Howard Sobel

# News of the World

*and News of Hamilton ca. 1980*

**O**n the broader global front, the '80s was the decade of constructive conservative reaction.

It was the time of Margaret Thatcher, Ronald Reagan, Brian Mulroney and Mikhail Gorbachev. By the end of the decade, a new order was established that saw generally lower taxes, freer trade, arms limitation agreements, the collapse of the Soviet empire and the buildup of huge national debts in the Western countries.

The anarchy of the '60s and '70s carried over into assassination attempts on both President Reagan and Pope John Paul II. This time both leaders survived. This was very good news as was the fairy tale wedding of Prince Charles to Princess Diana. The world watched on TV. It also watched Charles' brother, Prince Andrew, fly off to defend the Falkland Islands. The Argentine generals faced a political and moral disaster at home, and chose this time to divert attention to a long-standing feud with Britain. Bad

idea. Maggie Thatcher went straight to war, and Ronald Reagan supported her. This set a tone.

Economically, the West faced huge inflation in the '70s as a result of the OPEC price hikes - from around \$2 a barrel to about \$14 per barrel. Hyper inflation followed in the West accompanied by a stagnant economy - stag-flation, as they called it. This situation called for a new plan - high interest rates to stem inflation, denationalization of government-owned utilities to reduce government costs and lower taxes to encourage spending. After the economic collapse of 1982, this program worked in all respects except for the national debts that were huge - so huge that interest on the debt became the largest government expense.

Another huge social current in this decade was the steady shift away from the white male culture. This culture was deeply rooted in virtually all aspects of society. Women's and minorities' issues gained some



*Jeanne Sauvé becomes the first woman Governor-General in 1984*

*The Hamilton Spectator*

ground, as did some women and members of minorities. Bertha Wilson was the first woman appointed to the Supreme Court of Canada and later became Chief Justice, and Jeanne Sauvé was appointed Governor-General. The anger in some men, perhaps not as few as was thought, manifested itself most sickeningly when Marc Lépine killed 14 women engineering students at the École Polytechnique in Montreal. It would not be the last of these chilling episodes.

Native Canadian minorities saw the beginning of some justice with the exposure of the Mount Carmel Orphanage child abuse scandal, the first of many to be exposed across the country, the eventual outcome of which could bankrupt the churches involved. It certainly bankrupted the lives of many young Natives. The decade also saw the arrival of the AIDS virus, and again, it would be the Native citizens who would end up

with the highest infection rate.

The decade also had its ups. One of the last big moves of the Trudeau government was to ask Britain to send the North America Act, a major element of our constitution, to Canada. There was a lot of bluster about *'how dare they keep our constitution'*, but the reality was that we had never asked for the actual documents before, and they were documents of the British parliament. Having it here, though, was a big deal for many Canadians. The other big deal, and perhaps the first truly autonomous act on the part of Canadians, was the Free Trade Deal with the Americans. Laurier was defeated on the issue in 1911. As a nation, we had grown.

Perhaps the biggest

boost for Canadian morale was Marc Garneau's space flight in the Challenger, and the shuttle's external robotic device, the Canadarm. This whole space program would have much to do with the easing of tensions with the Soviets.

During this time, Mikhail Gor-

bachev was President of the USSR. He saw that the West was strengthening and that the doctrinaire cronyism of his country, and a debilitating and losing war in Afghanistan, was leading to disaster. He met with Reagan and Thatcher, and they had much in common. Gorbachev pressed two policies, perestroika, economic reform, and glasnost, openness. The end result of this was the break-up of the USSR. In 1989, the Berlin Wall came down, and the Soviets quietly withdrew from Eastern Europe. Just like that! We were there. The Cold War was over.

On balance for Canadian society, things improved very nicely. In Hamilton, the start of the decade saw the fine new civic library, the maturing of regional government, the further expansion of Dofasco and clean-up of the Bay, and several new hotels. There was a lot still to do, but things were definitely looking up.



Prime Minister Brian Mulroney

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## Hillfield-Strathallan College 1980 - 1981

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Boar-Pibroch Editor

Peter Abbott



Roy Eric Adam



Deidre Allan



Lucinda Atwood



Cathy Barritt



Geoffrey Beatty

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John Campbell



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Barb Falco



Sarah Farmer

Nancy Ann  
FrösstPeter Garwood  
Jones

Steve Goulden



Jane Gowing



Kelly Hourigan



Alan Hoyt



Nicholas Hynes

With the enrolment at over 800 students, and the College gathering resources for the facilities for Providing For Excellence, the year proceeded quite calmly, in its usual frantic way. Steve Abraham and Liz de Jong were outstanding Head Boy and Head Girl, with Gill Morton and Alex Winch leading the academic side. The academic achievement levels had risen year-by-year to the point where now some 15% of the students had first class honour standing.

The sports program was building each year as the

teams became more and more competitive. As Steve Abraham commented on the decision to have just one major senior sport per term, and although football was somewhat weak, *"both basketball and soccer have been extremely successful... it was not until this year that I realized that the school's successes in sport far outweighed our moral commitment to the Canadian game of hockey."*

The teams sensed this new confidence with soccer led again by Mike Ryan, basketball by Bruce Simpson, and football by Eric Hanson, Scott MacDougall, Forbes Morton

and Bruce Simpson. The girls had incredible leadership from Sue Dunton, captain of both volleyball (she was on the national junior squad) and basketball, with Jane Gowing and Barb Falco for soccer, which surprised the city schools by winning the city league. Richard Garwood-Jones was city singles tennis champ, and his brother, Peter, and Henry Willis won the doubles. Mike Ziff set a midget record in the ISAA 1500-metre run. And certainly to their own surprise, the



Mike Ziff

Grade 7 girls won the city volleyball championships.

It was a quieter year for drama, though the music program was growing under Lyn Harry in the Juniors and in the choral work of John Beaver with the Seniors. Jenny Brown

Below, Gwyn Wansbrough chases Kelly Cooper to the finish



Janet Lewis



Tom Lazier



Martha Lamon



Sandy Ksiazek



Nancy Jacques



Vicky Cairns  
New Staff



Helen Louisy



Wayne Keyes  
New Staff



George Louxton



Jean Beaver  
New Staff



Carolyn Molot



Gord Morrison



Forbes Morton

and Carolyn Davidson shone in *The Pride of Miss Jean Brodie*, and the Intermediates produced an hilarious *Charlie's Aunt. Eighty Years On* was the theme from the Juniors - yet another anniversary, if you are keeping the history in your head!

Three more 'lifers' came on board, Vicky Cairns,



#### Alumni Soccer

Back row: Mark Swire, Rick Smelser, Vic Benson, Norm Reintamm, Rob Armstrong, Phillip Steele, Andy Barker  
Kneeling: Eldon Bull, Peter Morrison  
Front row: John Watson, Ian Barnes, Bruce Heagle, Peter Steele, Bernie Faloney, Mike Mills

Jean Beaver and Wayne Keyes, who would transform the environment. Sandy Rumsey led the parents in this Year of The Parent. Stuart Waters published his excellent book, One Man's War, of his gruelling time in the Asian war, and the Headmaster published one on parenting. Chris Waters '73 won

a Sword of Honour for best cadet and for Gunnery in the Armoured Corps. David Braden '68 was way ahead of his time with the modelling of an 85-90% more environmentally efficient home.

The final planning for Providing For Excellence was supported by the very strong Executive Commit-



#### Grade 7 Girls' Volleyball Champs

Back row: Nicola Moore, Mary Czuba, Roz Evans, Carolyn Rotsart, Robin Bienenstock, Sonia Khurana, Mrs. Rocca  
Front row: Tricia Marriott, Martha Pierson, Tobi Scott, Jacqueline Hourigan, Connie Wansbrough, Grace Ann Dunmore, Sherri Lockwood

tee (perhaps the record!) of the board: Leila Ryan, Chair, Colin Campbell, Doug Heagle, Marlene Jacques, the long time Honourary Secretary, John Frid, and Peter Richardson, the prominent Hamilton financier. The program was a go.

There would be another Grand Opening soon.



John Wilms



Heather Tod



Phyllis Teeuwen



Michelle Spicer



Gord Muir



Hugh McCoy



Heather Norman



Marc Ollivier



Anthony Rendulich



Cam Richards



D'Arcy Richardson



Mark Rotsaert



Allison Rumsey



Lee Rutty



Mike Ryan



Frank Schwenger



Joanne Smalley



Janet Shaver



Michael Spicer

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1981 - 1982



Bruce Simpson  
Head Boy



Liz Falco  
Head Girl



Danielle Hourigan  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Chris Marriott  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Jacintha Peiris  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Julie Bennett



Anne Bermingham



Tony Bonner



David Boomer



Jennifer Brown



Katherine Chernov



Tim Colby

In many ways, this year marked a real milestone in the transformation of the Colleges into a solid, single and successful co-educational day school. The program Providing For Excellence was completed with the exception of a full music program, and the Library and new science labs were successfully in place. In fact, in anticipation of this, the Headmaster had taken the previous spring term to visit other schools in the UK, the USA and Canada to see where promising new direc-

tions might lead. His Honour, Lieutenant-Governor John Black Aird presided at the grand openings.

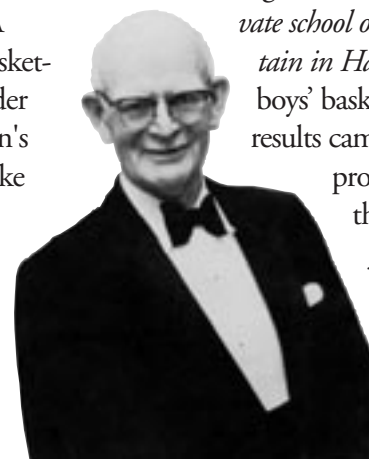
The singular milestone was the death of Hillfield's founder, Arthur Killip. He lived to see, and approve of, the co-education move. He even agreed that the girls could compete for the 'Killip Prizes' for Junior achievement, and of course, a girl won one straight away! With the retirement of the longtime and outstanding Head of the Junior Girls, Toni LeRoy, and the appointment



His Honour, Lieutenant-Governor John Black Aird

of Brenda Zwolak as Junior Dean, the uniting of the Colleges was complete in all respects.

Liz Falco and Bruce Simpson as Head Prefects led arguably the most successful year in sports ever. Bruce captained the football with Eric Hanson and Scott MacDougall, and also the ISAA champion basketball team under Mark Hudson's coaching. Mike Evans captained the soccer. Liz Falco captained volleyball, ISAA tour-



Hillfield's founder, Arthur Killip, passed away this year

nament winners coached by Mark Sazio, basketball and soccer. Jane Gowing led the field-hockey to the city championship under the coaching of Ed VanLierop, a former Olympian, and the fixture at the helm, Pauline Jones. Quite remarkable from what many people still thought of as *'that small private school on the Mountain in Hamilton'*. In boys' basketball, the results came from a solid program right through the Junior School, under the fine direction of Peter Annable



Andrew Holton



Maureen Holt



Brian Heagle



Paul Hayward



Kirsteen Hassell



Jamie Cooper



Robyn Corbeil



Carolyn Davidson



Jennifer Dent



Michael Evans



Glen Fell



Craig Fretwell



Mark Frew



Douglas Frosst



Keir Garber



Richard Garwood-Jones



Todd Haney



Eric Hanson



Katy Irving



Brenda Kaye



Mark Korol



Agnes Kuskowski



Allyson Luchak

and Rob Reiner, where winning ways built over the years.

Jacintha Peeris led the **Boar-Pibroch** team in this building year, putting all the blocks together in another outstanding publication. The past editor, Danielle Hourigan, turned her mind to academics and with Chris Marriott took top honours. The musicals returned with a stunning hit, **Godspell**, performed both in the Old Gym and in the Anglican St. James' Cathedral. Drama produced **Vacancy in Paradise** and **Saved by the**



Sue Scott  
PA President



John Hedden  
Alumni President



Ruth Moseley  
New Staff



Greg Higson  
New Staff



Jane (Drumm) Peer  
New Staff



Brenda Zwolak  
New Junior Dean



Toni LeRoy  
Retired this year

**Belle** in the Senior School, and the 10th anniversary review of **Pennies**

**From Heaven** from the Juniors. The art program grew steadily under Graham Clements and Tony Hughes.

Chick Holton took up the chair of the Board as the College moved into its next phase. John I. Frid, as chair of the Education Committee, would play a signal role in the development of the new program, **Renewal**, already

produced in a document by the Headmaster for the community to consider. Ruth Moseley, Jane (Drumm) Peer and Greg Higson joined the 'lifers' crew. John Hedden led a

very active Alumni, and Sue Scott was president of the Parents' Association whose giant garage sale produced an amazing \$20,000.



Charles (Chick) Holton '41, BA



Girls' First Volleyball Team

Back row: Martha Kelly, Maureen Helt, Sarah Pierson, Miss Chisholm, P.J. Howell, Elizabeth Falco  
Front row: Michelle Malcolmson



Mark Walters



Chris Von Hugo



Mike Timson



Allen Taylor



Johnson Tang



Tony Luxton



Cheryl Macdonald



Scott MacDougall



John Manley



Judy McKinley



Richard McLaughlin



Erik Means



Stephen Michalchuk



Paul Milligan



Lori Morris



Jannah Nadalin



Nora Premi



Andrea Rado



Eva Przedzielewski



Kelly Schleissner

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1982 - 1983



Jim Kajiura  
Head Boy



Shirley Thomas  
Head Girl



Rob Muir  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Sarah Garside  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Cindy Stojcic  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Karen Ashley



Thomas Barritt



David Black



Kathryn Black



Helen  
Braithwaite



Jane Campbell



Patrick Campbell



Stacie Clark



Duncan  
Darracott



Rebecca  
Delorme



Anthony Evans



Shelley Falla



Jackie Farrell



Heather  
Fretwell



Robert  
Gerritsen



Rebecca Grieve



Paula Ham



Geoffrey  
Hector



Pamela Howell



Kate Inman

This was the year of the great economic recession, and one of consolidation for the school, with Shirley Thomas and Jim Kajiura as Head Prefects and Cindy Stojcic editing the **Boar-Pibroch**. When illness took Jim out early in the year, Shirley had a challenging leadership task that she took up with a will. Rob Muir took top academic honours for the boys, and the

multi-talented Sarah Garside took them for the girls.

In sports, it was a 'building year'. The write-up from the U14 boys' soccer team per-

haps caught the theme best explaining that it '*had many obstacles to contend with this season, not the least of which being the opposition*'. On the other hand, the girls

had an excellent year captained by Michelle Malcolmson, winning the fieldhockey and going to the Single 'A' volleyball OFSAA competition led by Jane Brown and Margie Holton. Michelle was also captain of the girls' soccer. Urged on in track and field by Cecelia Smith and Greg Higson, the team took nine firsts in the ISAA meet, and Jane Brown won the city



**Fieldhockey**

Back row: Mrs. P. Jones, Martha Kelley, Jane Thelwell, Meg Batson, Rulan Parekh, Sue Owen, Jacintha Peeris, Joanne Nicholls, Miranda Werstiuk, Mr. VanLierop  
Front row: Valerie Underwood, Margie Holton, Fiona Turpie, Ashley Dent, Michelle Malcolmson, Tricia Marriott, Melanie McPherson, Lisa MacDonald



Lisa Kuly



Stephen Ksiazek



John Kemp



Gregory Kelley



Mark Kaiman



Michelle Malcolmson



Julie Marshall



Neil Mathur



Murray McPherson



Lynsey Mitchell

cross-country. Jane Campbell and Jane Brown led the girls' basketball team. With the temporary end of the boys' football program, soccer reappeared in the fall with Tim Richardson as captain.

On the arts front, the seniors produced *Design for Murder* and *Grease*, while the Juniors tackled *Tom Sawyer* and Early Education their incredible annual concerts. On the individual music side, Martin Beaver

first played his violin for the school at prayers, and received an incredibly enthusiastic reception, as he still does around the world. Wayne Keyes had such success as chief groundsman that he won for the school the first of his many annual Trillium Awards.

Linda Harnett presided over the PA this year, and new staff Joy Faulknor, Suzie Wong, Maureen McPherson and Cecelia Smith all started long careers.

Despite the difficult economic times, the plan for Renewal and growth, especially in the music program, was well under way, as were plans for expanded Early Education facilities. There was still some debt from the recent Library and Science facilities, and enrolment growth flattened, but not enough to stop the future planning. Times would improve again.



Suzie Wong  
New Staff

Joy Faulknor  
New Staff

Maureen McPherson  
New Staff

Cecelia Smith  
New Staff



Mr. Gary Dorsch, second from left, with Grade 12 students at 'E' week



Above, one of Wayne Keyes' many Trillium Awards. Right, Wayne Keyes.



Judy Vanlierop



Fiona Turpie



Douglas Needham



Paul Nowak



Geoff Oakie



Rulan Parekh



Jacintha Peeris



Donna Pelech



Tracey Randall



Tim Richardson



Sandy Scott



Greg Skirving



Jay Swanborough



Catherine Taylor



Joanne Taylor



Paul Taylor



Jane Thelwell

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1983 - 1984



George Hampson  
Head Boy



Paula Dupuy  
Head Girl/Gov-Gen. Medalist



Mike Marriott  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Graham Line  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Missy Agro



Julie Andrae



Krzysztof  
Arciszewski



Lisa Austen



Chris Beaver



Adam  
Bienenstock



William Branton



Ria  
Brockhouse

**B**uoyed by a small increase in enrolment and the maturing of the plan, Transition 2000, the mood at the College was very upbeat. In prospect were a new gym and rooms for Early Education, new computer facilities, a major new arts facility, the Artsplex, and a new approach to instruction.

The Board, now chaired by Dr. John Frid, supported this program in many ways, but the start was the creation of two positions: Director of Renewal to co-ordinate the educational

restructuring, taken up by Michael Robertson, and a new but senior Hamilton music teacher, John McGuirk to establish a proper music program.

Also joining the staff this year were Jacqueline Teggart-French, Esther Ardeline, Marilyn Oneschuk and Sigi Schroeder.

George Hampson and Paula Dupuy provided strong leadership as Head Boy and Girl. Graham Line edited the *Boar-Pibroch*, and Mike Marriott and Paula Dupuy carried off top academic honours.

The academics of the College, though not in any recent doubt, received a strong boost when the Grade 10 math team of George Turpie, Paul Michaud and Chris Jackson won first in Ontario in the University of Waterloo Cayley math competition.

In sports, the boys' senior basketball team captained by Paul Falco won again, as did the girls' fieldhockey led by Mary Jane Kelley, and girls' soccer with Joanne Nichols. Sharon Buehner led volleyball and basketball in building seasons. Seamus Darracott

captained soccer for the boys and Rob Martin volleyball. Denise Verity won the city cross-country, and Nancy Brown, Jane's sister, set a new record in the city's 5000-metre race and went off on scholarship to UCLA.

On the stage, Geoff Steel directed *Here and Now* as his farewell production, while the Juniors presented *The Madwoman of Chaillot* and *Daddy Long Legs*. The staff was to mount *The Boyfriend*, but there was a Mirvish production in Toronto and the rights were refused.



Martha-Jane  
Kelley



Sandra Jones



Claire Hynes



Stephen Hunter



Elizabeth  
Campbell



Jennifer  
Cassels



Angus  
Cleghorn



Maria Cook



Ashley Dent



Reesa Falco



Jill Goldblatt



Patricia Hall



Megan Hobson



Margaret Holton



Sigi Schroeder New Staff Marilyn Oneschuk New Staff John McGuirk New Staff Jacqueline Taggart-French New Staff Esther Ardeline New Staff Geoff Steel Retiring Alexia Newey Retiring Zena Gordon PA President Mike Johnston Alumni President



Justyna Kuskowski



Paul Lochbihler



Cynthia Lockwood



Nicola Louisy



Al Marshall

It was a year of loss as both Geoff Steel and Alexia Newey retired after long careers, and Elsie Bartlett, Edith Grinstead and Miss Greaves all passed away.

Zena Gordon was president of the PA and Mike Johnston '69 of the alumni. Mary (Ker) Earnshaw '41 wrote the remarkable Strathallan Remembered, which has been a great resource for this volume. Marjorie (Taylor) Macdonald '34 wrote Fortune and LaTour - The Civil War in Acadia, and Norman



#### *Cross-Country Skiing*

*In tree: Al Marshall, Tom Marshall*

*Back row: Mrs. Smith, Julie Andrae, Nancy Brown, Denise Verity, Paul Lochbihler, Susan McShane, Harvey McShane, Laura Milligan*

*Front row: Jeremy Forrest, Greg O'Donnell, Jane Brown*

Reintamm '76 was appointed apprentice conductor of the Hamilton Philharmonic

Orchestra.

Transition 2000 was under way, and the next two years would see dra-



John I. Frid, BA, MD, FRCP, Chair

matic change to the whole program. Mike Taylor and his son, Paul '83 started things off by undertaking the computer part of the program, the single largest commitment to date. Mike DeGroote was also right up on the front line, pledging the necessary support to allow the plans to go forward.



Jordan White



Chris Worsley



Eva Maria Vanags



Andrew Winter



Kim Townsend



Brigid Mary Walsh



Ann Tooke



Jon Tadros



Robert Martin



Bernhard Mattern



Phillip McGregor



Bill McGuinness



Robert Monti



Joanne Nicholls



Brian D. Owen



Andrew Parsons



Bill Pusztai



Monica Scrivener



Stephanie Side



Steve Sinclair



Allison Snell



Cindy Stojcic



Diana Sweeney

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1984 - 1985



Graham Line  
Head Boy



Julie Shatz  
Head Girl



Paul Falco  
Head Boy



Peta Gillyatt  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Nick Werstiuk  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Karen Hanson  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Michele  
Bateman



Andrea Buzza



Heather  
Campbell



Ian Campbell



Neal Campbell



Ken Carey



Janine  
Cwierzdzinski



Jennifer  
Dillane



Chris Dovey



Kim Dudley



Leslie Dunham



Ian Forsyth



Kristine  
Goldenberg



Nader  
Hashemi



Paul Hendry



Kurosch  
Khodawandi



Peter Lowry



Kiveli  
Madentzidis



Thomas Marshall

This was the first year under the new mission statement: **to enable our students to think and act both for themselves and for the betterment others.** Under this philosophy, the plan proceeded with the building of the new Early Education facilities, adding classroom space for the growing enrolment and especially the new gym, a serious relief to the pressures on the other two. The staff Renewal courses started, and the impact would transform the educational approach to the students. Despite some resistance from



Grade 6 Girls' Soccer - Hamilton Public School Winners

Back row: Rebecca Dent, Lucy St. John, Jackie Pye, Corinne Barr, Yasmin Shaker, Nicole Farrel  
Front row: Marlene Line, Kelly Jackson, Carrie McKeon, Heather Killan, Katie Budge

both staff and parents, and indeed students, the academic results improved markedly. It remained a mystery why some did not wish their children enabled.

With these things in place and the prospect of the new Artsplex the following year, this year moved along very cheerfully. The grad class from its very start in

Montessori was not without its trials, and it took some time to get up and running. Julie Shatz and Graham Line started out as Head Prefects, but Graham resigned early in the year and Paul Falco, the brother of recent Head Girl, Liz, was elected the new Head Boy. Nick Werstiuk, the first of the so-called 'fast-track' students, won top academic honours with Karen Hansen. Peta Gillyatt edited a smartly redesigned **Boar-Pibroch**, with a focus on improved photography.

Activities flourished. The girls had splendid



Liana Nelles



Angus Muir



Randall Morris



Melanie McPherson



William Nethercott



Susan Owen



Brad Paton



Sarah Pierson

results. Miranda Werstiuk and Sue McShane led the fieldhockey to another city championship, and the basketball and volleyball teams, both captained by Tanya Smith, won the ISAA tournaments. Melanie Hobson captained the soccer to a good season.

On the boys' side, Paul Falco and James Green led the basketball to the ISAA championship, and Paul also captained the volleyball. The U14 basketball won the city league, and the U13 boys' soccer won the CAIS tournament. Alex Gordon, who would eventually lead the senior team to

the ISAA championship, scored 15 of the team's 27 goals.

On the stage, student Alex Chapple (who went on to a professional life in film) directed *Tartuffe*, while the Juniors produced a delightful staging of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dream Coat*. The last musical production in the Old Gym was Bryan Wylie's remarkable version of *The Sound of Music*.

With the retirement of Geoff Steel, Ted Helwig took up the post of Senior Master, and Dr. Dave Moffatt took over the senior Geography. Donna Baillie, who did

remarkable service for the drama program in costumes - literally thousands of them by the end - also took on the presidency of the PA. Mary Beth Van Zuiden '79 won the Golden Thimble Award at Parsons School of Design in New York, while Gerry Vrooman '68 worked with Jean Vanier's L'Arche International. And keeping up with the interesting variety of alumni pursuits, Ann Louise Snedden '71 was the assistant stage manager for Andrew Lloyd Webber's West End



Donna Baillie  
PA President



David Moffatt  
New Staff



1st Boys' Basketball

Mr. Hudson, Matt Luchak, James Green, Paul Falco, Ian Wilms, Steve Daws, Peter Lowry, Oliver Uppal

production of *Starlight Express*.

Great excitement and achievement, and in many respects only just the start. In May, the Head published another booklet, *Brains, Snoituti-sni and Excellence* which set out the reasons for introducing the new methodological and organizational models of the Renewal program and courses.



Shailline Rayner



Peter Rotsaert



Max Saunders



Michael Saunders



Songi Sin



Tanya Smith



Lisa Stankovic



Brigid Sweeney



Leonard Teeuwen



Bruce Underwood



Mike Wansbrough



Cameron Watson



Miranda Werstiuk

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1985 - 1986



Ian Wilms  
Head Boy



Alison Garwood-Jones  
Head Girl/Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Roop Rastogi  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Matt Parry  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Kimberly  
Abbott



David Bennett



John Bozek



Alison Brown



Walter Caero



Hugh Cameron

The plans were set for this new expansion of program and facility, and the new year started with keen expectations.

The Artsplex, a home for art, drama and music, and also for dance when support and interest allowed, would be a result of this focus. With the signal support of Board Chair John Frid, and Arts Sub-Committee Chair, Suzanne Shulman, and with the program support from Michael Robertson and the very talented arts staff, arts at the College took off. In recognition of this focus, the College appointed its first Arts Director, mirroring the function of the Athletic Director, and John Beaver took up the post with a will.

Ian Wilms and Alison Garwood-Jones provided very strong leadership as Head Boy and Girl. Alison also won top academic honours with Roop Rastogi. Matt Parry edited a fine edition of the *Boar-Pibroch*.

The broadening of the interests and activities began to show. Sports continued as the most inclusive of the activities, and the teams were very competitive. Co-ed track and field led the successes with 24 champs in the ISAA and CYO competitions. Liz Small captained both the volleyball and basketball, Julie Olchowy the fieldhockey and Melanie Hobson and Sue McShane the soccer. The Grade 8 volleyball team was city champs. On the boys'

side, Seamus Darracott continued his three-year captaincy of soccer, Mike Mason led volleyball while James Green and Dan Walters captained the basketball. The U13 basketball won the ISAA tournament.

The range of interests showed in Bill Holton's excellent astronomy win in the Hamilton Science Fair, and Chris Jackson and Paul Hendry's fine results in national and international Physics and Math under the guidance of Peter Meszaros, arguably one of the very best physics teachers in the country. The variety was not all among the senior students. The McMaster Choir invited the HSC Montessori Choir to share a concert. Hugh Fras-

er, the outstanding *Spectator* music critic and a great supporter of the HSC arts program, commented about the cool of one of the Montessorians, who performed: *'while there is a tiny girl (Montessorian) who can go down on one knee, tie up her shoelace and not miss a single beat!'*

Bryan Wylie's imagination and initiative shone in the new TRAP program, through which senior students with an excess of credits could take on all sorts of interesting projects for important personal growth, including taking university courses. The musical this year was *Bye, Bye, Birdie*, and the stage and lighting effects created by Peter Meszaros and Andy Philpot drew outstanding



Matthew Luchak



Edward Lee



Russell Lampart



Robert Langford



Alex Chapple



Gisele Clignett



Jennifer Daniel



Seamus  
Darracott



Veena D'Souza



Ian Davidson



Mark Davidson



Gavin Embury



Peta Gillyatt



James Green



Karen  
Harrington



Melanie  
Hobson



William Holton



Matthew  
Knight



Miroslav Kratky



Colin Campbell  
Honourary Life  
Member of Board



Doug Heagle  
Honourary Life  
Member of Board



Mike Krupansky '75  
Alumni President  
(photo from yearbook)



Cathy Wigle  
PA President



Cathy Milton  
New Staff



Cathy Keith  
New Staff



Jacquie Krisza  
New Staff



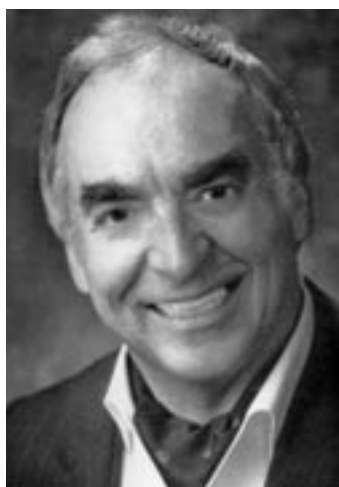
Catherine  
Mackay



Dimitroula  
Madentzidis



Hilary Marriott



Mr. Robert G. Forsythe, Chair



Michael Mason



Paul Michaud

reviews. Alex Chapple directed another hit, *Twelfth Night*, with Hugh Cameron a great Feste the Fool and the Juniors produced *Really Rosie*. The staff finally had their triumphal *The Boyfriend*, raising \$4000 for disadvantaged

children, and set an admirable example *for the betterment of others*.

Bob Forsythe took on the Chair of the Board, becoming the second chair in a row who had no previous connection with the College before joining the Board. His special interest had been to assure the responsible long-term maintenance of the buildings, as they were aging noticeably. With the resignation of Tom Mackan in the spring of 1985, Brenda Zwolak became Head of the Junior School thereby completing the single, co-ed nature of each school in the College. Cathy Wigle was President of the PA, and Jacquie Krisza, Cathy Keith '67 and Cathy (Milton) Lazier all joined the staff. Colin

Campbell and Doug Heagle were made Honourary Life Members of the Board, and the school received the sad news of past Chair ('67-'69) Cam Corbet's death.

In other news, Vicki Balfour '73 published her book, *Rock Wives*, and Barry Wansbrough and Karen Ford saw their *Great Canadian Lives* on the shelves.

Martin Beaver '86 continued his climb in the violin world with a fine win in the Canadian Music Competition, and Peter Sephton '76 joined UNB as Professor of



Builders of 1986

Back row: Mrs. Mary Earnshaw, Mrs. Wilson Baxter, Mrs. Betty Aikenhead, Mr. John Hendrie, Mr. Ken Frid  
Middle row: Mr. Mike DeGroote, The Rev. Edwin Heaven, Mr. Colin Gibson, Mr. Bill Young, Mrs. Elaine Holton, Mr. Stephen Ambrose  
Front row: Mr. Mike Taylor, Mrs. Doris Taylor, Mr. Gordon Collinson, Mrs. Lallie Robertson, Mr. Fenner Dalley

Economics. Impressive as any achievement, was Chris Jackson's Shaw Festival prize for the play he wrote, *Role of the Dice*, built on the theme of Albert Einstein's 'God does not role dice!'

The College grew in all respects.



Melissa  
Williams



Barbara Yang



Timothy Mills



Andrea Molot



Daniel  
Negrinotti



Julie-Ann  
Olchow



David Parsons



Christine Paul



Gavin  
Robertson



Elizabeth  
Small



Michael Taylor



Gillian Tooke



Andrea  
Trueman



Dave Turvey



Denise Verity



Geoffrey  
Vertlieb



Daniel Walters

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1986 - 1987



Martin Johnston  
Head Boy



Tricia Marriott  
Head Girl



Nick Grant  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Hansa Bhargava  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Dave Walker  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Mel  
Athulathmudali



Robin Bennett



Patrick Cain



Jennifer Caylor



Ian Chambers



Kelly Ciancone



Mary Czuba



Leona Dimen



Duncan  
Embury



Rosalind Evans



Jeremy Forrest



Elana Gold



Alan Gordon



Mark Gowland



Mursalene  
Gafoor



Kathryn Hassel



Patricia Holton



Christopher  
Jackson



Sonia Khurana



Nadine Kostur

This was a year of very mixed emotions. Margaret Kim, a great friend to many of the students, passed away at the start of the school year. The whole community grieved the loss. Her friends from school were the pallbearers and she was buried in her Strathallan uniform. It was very moving.

Fortunately, the students were blessed with excellent leadership from Martin Johnston and Tricia Marriott, Head Boy and Girl. Hansa Bhargava and Nick Grant took the top academic hon-

## In Memoriam



Margaret Kim

ours in a class of very high achievers, and Dave Walker edited the *Boar-Pibroch*. In sports, Sue McShane led the girls to the league field-hockey championship, and the midget cross-country and Grade 8 basketball teams also won theirs. The other teams put up good showings, with Stacey Kraftchuk captaining the volleyball and basketball, and Melanie Hobson and Sue McShane the soccer. On the boys' side, the U13 and U14 basketball won their tournaments, under the strong coaching and program

built by Rob Reiner and Peter Annable. The seniors had a 'building' year with Nick Grant captaining the soccer, Mel Athulathmudali the volleyball and Oliver Uppal the basketball.

In the arts, it was the first full year in the Artsplex. The new theatre opened with two outstanding productions, *A*

*Separate Piece*, directed by Rupert Gordon with an exceptional performance by Chris Forrest, and *I Never Saw Another Butterfly*. The latter production was another breakthrough event directed by Bryan Wylie who assembled a cast from across the schools and even into the broader community. It was



Terry Line



Carrie Lieberman



Pierre Lermusiaux



Brad Lawrie



Stacey Kraftcheck



Carol Stanton's class and their Gym Display



Sherri Lockwood



Christine Lynes



Alison MacMillan



William Malcolm



Lawrence McKeon



Nicola Moore



Jason Parry



Christine Robertson



Robert Robinson



Christopher Thompson



Alice Too



George Turpie



Oliver Uppal



George Grant Wallace



Lisa Wayne



Kimberly Willis



Elias Wong



John Woods



Chris Jackson with Mavor Moore at the official opening of the Artsplex

spellbinding. Bryan also directed an Independent School production of *Our Town* hosted at HSC but prepared in the casts' own schools. It was a great success with Rupert Gordon saving the day by taking over a part from a last minute withdrawal.

In another innovative production, John McGuirk's Grade 10 music class, with Michael Robertson, Tony Hughes and the most recent arts arrival, Doug Moore all supporting in their special fields, created and composed an integrat-

team.

The Artsplex 'officially' opened in the spring with Mavor Moore, the famous art critic, as guest speaker. Finally, the new stage was put to the test in the dramatic production of *The Beggar's Opera*. This gave an excellent chance to hear the outstanding voice of Kim Turner, and to display Donna Bailie and her team's wonderful costuming. It was a stunning production. Further on the musical front the Arts Festival in May highlighted just how far the broader com-



Peter Steel  
Alumni President



Hugh Brown  
Retiring



Ginette Jeeves  
Retiring



Bruce Kaye  
Retiring



Doug Moore  
New Staff

ed arts production called *Newfoundlife* based on the paintings of David Blackwood. John had obtained a grant to have composer Ted Dawson join the

munity of students had taken to the arts in their choirs and bands.

If there was ever a question as to whether the new facility would focus the efforts in the arts, it was certainly answered without equivocation.

With all the other things on his plate this year, Bryan Wylie also took on the role Head of the Senior School, and Cecelia Carter-Smith became Dean of Women. Bruce Kaye, who had organized the Development Office to become a major support of the College's capital side, retired, as did Ginette Jeeves and Hugh Brown after long and outstanding careers at the College. Marsha Kaiman headed the PA and Joanne Nichols won the Arthur Cup for leadership



The Honourable Lincoln Alexander at Prize Day

and sportsman(!)ship at Trent University.

The year ended on a very high note when the Honourable Lincoln Alexander, the Lieutenant-Governor, was Guest of Honour at Prize Day. His grace, humour and openness to the community touched all concerned.

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1987 - 1988



Mark Hunter  
Head Boy/Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Nicola Gillyatt  
Head Girl



Julie Rosenthal  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Adrian Lee  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



David Baillie



Bryan Caero



Stuart  
Campbell



John Carbin



Robyn  
Ciancone



Tammy Coates



Nicole Conduit



Michele  
Dawson



Tanya  
DeBoer



Andrew  
Dickson



Douglas  
Dunham



Blair Feagan



Linda Fell



Kartik Ganatra



Georgina  
Green



Anna  
Greenspan



Dianne  
Harrington



David Hassel



Giles Hunter



Mary-Jane  
Ireland



Ellen Irmisch

In the life of the Independent Schools of Ontario generally, a number of schools, including HSC, were trying to find a model that would lead to more independence from the Ministry of Education. They felt that the policies for large public boards were inappropriate for our schools. To address this issue, and with the support of the Deputy Minister, Bernie Shapiro (a graduate of Lower Canada College in Montreal) a new organization, the Canadian Educational Standards Institute, was formed. Its purpose was to provide a responsible CIS alternative to Ministry inspection.

HSC was the first school to have a full inspection. Walter Pitman, the President of the Ontario Institute of Studies in Education and a former Chair

of the Arts Council of Ontario and Ryerson Polytechnical University, chaired the inspection. The diverse team from very wide backgrounds in both education and business spent the better part of a year in short, purposeful visits to establish: 1) whether the College met the CESI requirements, 2) and more importantly, whether it had accomplished the goals it had set out in the overall Transition 2000 plan.

Its report stated: *'the presence of a clearly articulated and commonly understood philosophy and implementation strategy is a decided advantage providing a vision for work and achievement of every teacher and every student... It is a splendid institution.'* And as the Head commented: *'without any complacency, we can have confidence that we can con-*

*tinue to build our program on this very positive base.'*

Head Girl Nicola Gillyatt (now Malcolm) recalls: *'HSC loved the field-hockey team. Lunch announcements were made by Mr. Wansbrough congratulating us for our victories and OFSAA ranking. Particularly when the boys' teams were not performing well, we reveled in the limelight and the attention. Dick Beddoes paid us special attention on CHCH TV, and sometimes we even had cameras come out to tape a game. Parents, siblings, grandparents, and staff and pupils crowded around the field for home games, and we felt like stars. It was a wonderful time.'*

And so with Jim McKeon as the new Chair, Nicola Gillyatt and Mark Hunter as Head Girl and Boy, on it went. Mark was also top male scholar, while

Julie Rosenthal (who had dazzled Ernie Hutton, the Hamilton Board Director, when she was a Montessori 3-year-old by reading to him a quite challenging passage which she hoped he understood) took the Governor-General's Medal. Another top scholar, Adrian Lee, edited a fine **Boar-Pibroch**. For the second time in recent years, the school was saddened by the death of a very promising student, this time Ian Parsons, who was killed in a traffic accident. Once again, the school turned out, sad, but very supportive.

Again, the girls' fieldhockey team captured the title (one more for coach Pauline Jones) led by Nicola Gillyatt and Sue McShane who went on as a member of the Canadian Junior World Cup Team. Sue



Elizabeth Kim



Angela Jollymore



Sarah Jennings



Thomas Jacques



Paul Kowal



Wade Mackenzie



Nick Madentzidis



Hermandeep Mander



Niraj Mathur

also shared captain's duties in volleyball with Mary Jane Ireland. Grace Kim was captain for the soccer and Serena Lowartz for basketball.

On the boys' side, basketball won ISAA in the Seniors, captained by Doug Dunham and Mark Hunter. U16 volleyball also won. The other teams played gamely, captained by Nick Mendentzidis in soccer, and John Jentz in volleyball.

A parent, Bob Pierson, had offered support to attract excellent students who also displayed good athletic talent. The logical thing was to do the same for good arts students, and so the Arts Sub-Committee sponsored an annual concert series to raise money for that purpose. The series has been a critical success, according to *Spectator* colum-



Bryan Wylie



Jean Paton  
Retiring



Jean Hof  
Retiring



Sylvia Zimmerman  
New Staff



Carol Cassidy  
New Staff



Flora Spencer  
New Staff

nist Hugh Fraser, attracting the school's own Suzanne Shulman and Martin Beaver '86, as well as Valerie Tryon, Rod Beatty, and Nicholas Pennell, among many other real superstars.

Jean Hof retired this year, as did the 25-year veteran, Jean Paton, the Senior Matron. Sadly, the College lost another of its Patrons, Flora Frid, who had been a major supporter over the years. Coming onto the staff were Flora Spencer, Carol (Cassidy) McNeil and Sylvia Zimmerman. Hilda Line led an active PA and Peter Steel '75 took on the presidency of the Alumni. We also heard that David Fulsome '31 was honoured with a Dalhousie LLD for his work in plastic explosives during WWII, and Bill Webster '60 was with the Stratford

Young Company performing a very respectable Sir Toby Belch, among other roles.

To crown the year, Bryan Wylie won a richly deserved honour in the Marshall McLuhan Distinguished Teacher Award. It was ironical that the Ministry of Education discontinued the course for which he had won the honour the next year! We were assured it wasn't sour grapes.

There was historical precedent for these anomalies with the Ministry of Education. In the Grade 13 exam years, some time previously, Geoff Steel was banned from invigilation of the exams because he did not have a teaching certificate. On the other hand, he was appointed to supervise the marking of those exams.



Mr. J.D. McKeon, QC, BA, Chair

On the story goes.

In Memoriam



Grade 11 student, Ian Parsons



Kimberly  
Turner



Patricia Turliuk



Trevor  
Townsend



Mark Timson



Tara Szeliga



Donna Stechey



Kathryn Snell

In Memoriam



Flora Frid, Patron



Lisa McDonald



James McKeon



Susan  
McShane



Leigh Miller



Alexandra Muir



Cort Nielson



Amanda  
Penvidic



Antony Piro



James Potter



Kashif Rashid



Lino Rollo



Erica Runions



Catherine  
Salmon



Carolyn  
Skinner

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1988 - 1989



Rob Alexander  
Head Boy



Serena Lowartz  
Head Girl



Rupert Gordon  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Rebecca Laposa  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



David Bruckmann  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Benoy Benny



Brendan Bergie



Drew Black



Maigen Black



Suna Borahan



Carla Cameron



Jim Campbell



James Carbin



Adam Chambers



Mario Chow



Heather Ciancone



Kristel Coates



Steven Czuba



Farid Elfrituri



Justine Fedak



Laurie-Ann Flett



Christopher Forrest



Michelle Gafoor



Simali Garach



Natasha Giuliani

With the Arts program solidly ensconced and growing in the Art-splex, and the new Early Education facilities ready to accommodate growth there, attention turned to a further development plan, Promising Times. Its focus was in the areas of the longer-term sustainability of the College, and building teamwork, creativity and technological literacy into the overall College curriculum.

It was a year strongly led by Head Girl and Boy, Serena Lowartz and Rob Alexander. A large core of the graduating class came through from the early years, and their achievements are underlined by the fact that the number of HSC

Silver Pins won (200 house points over their Senior School careers) increased to 14 from the previous year's 5. In a very strong year academically, Rebecca Laposa and Rupert Gordon won top honours.

On the technology front, *Boar-Pibroch* editor David Bruckmann, strongly supported by Tony Hughes and Doug Moore, produced the first 'desk-top' yearbook. David was a leader in the move towards the productive and creative use of technology in the school.

On the arts front it was a farewell year from a seasoned troop. On the stage, Chris Forrest, Rupert Gordon and Valerie Harnett, and their

many peers, bowed out with strong performances in *A Door Ajar*, *Play It Again, Sam*, *Thark* and *Pirates of Penzance*. The Juniors produced an excellent *Oliver*. The choirs and ensembles performed regularly and well, including at full-College prayers on Fridays.

Janet Moore led the field-hockey team to the GHAC trophy and HSC hosted the OFSAA tournament, exceptionally well organized by Athletic Director Rob Reiner and his team. The U16 Girls' volleyball, led by Marlene Line and Heather Killian, went undefeated in ISAA play. Serena Lowartz captained the girls' basketball and shared the duties in volleyball



with Grace Kim, who also shared the captaincy of soccer with Marg deJong. In the co-ed sports, cross-country were champs, and in track, Richard Line and Heather Killian both took trophies. Julie Guyatt took the Wentworth tennis cup.

On the boys' side, the first basketball repeated as ISAA champs captained by Steve Czuba and Don Williamson. Alex Gordon led the soccer, John Jentz the volleyball and



Lindsay Hill



Michelle Harrington



Valerie Harnett



Victoria Haac



Jordan Guest



Jennifer Dent  
Alumni President



Mary Lou Ciancone  
PA President



Mora Hassell  
Retiring



Pauline Jones  
Retiring



Mike Timson  
New Staff



Rhona Trott  
New Staff



Linda Spratt  
New Staff



Achal Jain

Chris Johnston, Bob Jugovic and Alan Gordon the football.

In the broader life of the College, the year marked the retirement of Pauline Jones, perhaps the closest the College has come to having a true walking encyclopedia on staff. She had a remarkable run of 31 years. She came to the Mountain with Strath and the Ginkgo tree and typically found a lesson in nature: *'The Ginkgo tree stood inside a circular bench at the foot of the front steps of 15 Robinson. It did not, to the best of my memory, produce*

*fruit as the trees at HSC have done. This is hardly surprising as it was either a solitary female tree or a solitary male, and at least at HSC they are co-educational, hence the fruit.'*

Also, long-time Montessori supporter, Mora Hassell, retired. Jennifer Dent '82 took on the Alumni presidency, and Mary Lou Ciancone that of the Parents' Association. Mary Lou would go on to be the long-term honorary Secretary of the Board.



The Ginkgo tree



The Cleaning Staff

Back row: Teresa Sferazza, Olga Casagrande, Angelina Franceschin, Caterina Feltracco, Betty Barham, Maria LaMantia  
Front row: Maria Amaral, Maria Colao, Teresa DiFebo, Maria Cseresnyes, Gema Trevisen

This year saw the return of alumnus Mike Timson '82, who joined the staff of the College, along with Rhona Trott and Linda Spratt.

It was also the year of the deaths of two former Chairs, Roy Robertson and Cec Robinson; Cec for the pre-Mountain Strath, and Roy for the fledgling Mountain HSC. Both made huge contributions to the survival of the school, and they both lived to see their efforts rewarded.

Serena Lowartz reflected

on what the student leaders and those who worked with them were espousing as an *'environment in which energy could be expressed safely and creatively. For the Christmas Spirit Day I remember spending (with Rachel Kaiman) hours sewing together the largest, loudest, most obvious tinsel wig anyone had ever seen.'* Everyone saw them run along in the corridor at morning prayers. It was all of those things, and more!

It was the late-eighties, and things were booming.



Shelagh Young



Aaron Yachetti



Don Williamson



Susan Walker



Allison Tyrrell



Jennifer Turpie



Stella Tsang



Kathryn Stewart



Marnie Schreiber



Carolyn Romeo



Ryan Kraftcheck



Jim Lamb



Crystal Leung



Colleen Lindsay



Steve Lynes



Tania Martiniuk



Joe Mathews



John McNeil



Jonathan Menon



Sharmil Mithia



Janet Moore



Aaron Morgan



Larry Paletta



John Riach



Dave Patrick

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1989 - 1990



Scott Islip  
Head Boy



Avonwy Peters  
Head Girl



Alexander Lee  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Sheila Singh  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Rachel Watts  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Tiffany  
Bateman



Mudita  
Bhargava



Julie Bird



Simon  
Blackstone



David  
Bruckmann



Sarah Chapple



Kelly Cooper



Sara Copley



Elizabeth Davis



Margaret  
deJonge



Karen Deme



Nina deVilliers



Lisa  
DiMarcantonio



Gerald Din



Julianne Dunn



Alexander  
Gordon



Roddy Grant



Mary-Ann  
Haninaford



Marc Hewson



Simon Hirsh

It is appropriate to start the comments on this year by recording Gail Vedelago as incoming PA president.

She and Mary Lou Ciancone formed a long-term team of volunteering at the College that comes up very infrequently. Cece Schreiber and Kay Luchak was the other most obvious team. Mary Lou and Gail would still be active on the Board and working at the various grand events into the new millennium!

Graham Hill, having been a key supporter of the moves toward educational reform, took on the chair of the Board this year.

The end of the eighties saw the height of the economic boom and the enrolment peak in 1988-89 to 986 students,

balanced at 555 boys and 431 girls. That ratio would last into the decade, when the numbers evened out. The Primary School, under the vigorous leadership of Noel Spratt, had lost both Ray Marks and Rick Stockdale to the Juniors, and saw its enrolment peak at 223 students in 1988-89.

Over the next four years it lost some 48 students while the other schools held even. The resolution to this problem would prove most challenging and evasive.

With Scott Islip and Avonwy Peters as Head Boy and Girl, and a solid group of HSC Silver Pin winners backing them, the students were exceptionally active across the board. Academically, Adrian Lee and Sheila Singh, both

students from earliest Montessori years, won top academic honours in a class 45% of which now had first class honours. Rachel Watts edited a fine yearbook, this year dedicated to the environment.

On the arts front, it was building season again with an eager new cadre of budding actors. The choirs and ensembles were as active as ever, and drama saw excellent productions of *Oh, What a Lovely War*, and *Murder on the Run* produced by Avonwy Peters and Veera Rastogi. The Juniors staged *Toad of Toad Hall*, a perennial favourite. The choirs and ensembles all won prizes, the Senior Choir winning hon-

ours in the Hamilton Music Festival. Our regular staff was helped greatly by the support given by two fine musicians, Glen Mallory and Harold Namaro. The Arts Scholarship series featured Nicholas Pennell of Stratford, and the reknowned singer Loreena McKennitt.

In sports, the big news was the first ever ISAA senior soccer championship team, coached by Brett Dalton, captained by Alex Gordon and anchored by Scott Islip in goal. Alex's leg was broken during the championship game against UCC (though he had scored), and the team surprised more than themselves! Field-



Harold Namaro



Vanessa Lewis



Cindy Lao



Angela Jobb



Steven Jennings



Laura Maddison



Connie Mak



Hunter Malcolm



Andrew Martin



Suzanne McInnes



Daniel Michalchuk



Sarbjit Nahal



Marcus Paletta



Sarah Penvidic



Stefan Powell



Ambreen Rashid



Veera Rastogi



Daniel Reio



Jennifer Sabine



Evan Spencer



Catherine Stechey



Adam Sudar



Brock Thompson



Dave Thompson



Jan-Peter Timmerman



### Builders of HSC 1990

Builders or their representatives (from left):

Mr. Ralph McKay, Mrs. Betty Parke, Mrs. Myrna Evel, Mrs. Marlene Jacques, Mr. Kerry Martin, Mr. Stuart Waters

hockey won again, captained by Marg deJong and the fine goaltender, Ginnette Park, with strong support from Zimbabwe exchange student, Julie Dunn. Marg also shared the captaincy of soccer with Marlene Line, while Mary-Ann Hannaford led the basketball and Lisa DiBattista the volleyball. Mary-Ann Hegtveit led the swimmers.

In the co-ed area, the midget cross-country won again, and the badminton,

coached by Gudrun Mitterling and Dave Moffatt, took the first of a string of city and ISAA cups. In track, Allison Tyrell took the 100-metres, while Anne Guyatt and Shawn Hewson took tennis trophies.

For the boys, Duff Williamson took over the basketball captaining duties from his brother, Don, and shared them with Steve Jennings in volleyball. Jason Bourke, Andrew Martin, Dan Lee and



Gail Vedelago  
PA President



Carl Egan  
Buildings/Security



Paul Levy  
New Staff



Paul Mason  
New Staff

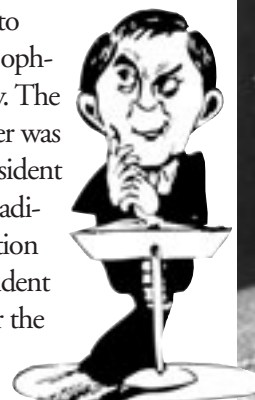


Laur-Ann Camus  
New Staff

Danny Miller captained football.

The year featured an Alumni Art exhibit, and news came in from John Frid '41 of his delightful presentations of *Fridiculousness*, among others. Colleen Shields '69 swam Lake Ontario in 17 hours, 56 minutes, and Chris Beaver '84, won an award for research into vision and ophthalmology. The Headmaster was elected President of the Canadian Association of Independent Schools for the year.

And sadly, but with



Mr. John Frid '41

great appreciation, the College laid to rest two outstanding former heads of schools, Toni LeRoy and Paul Taylor. They were true Builders of HSC.



Mr. Graham R. Hill, BA, MA, MLS, Chair



Jodi Wong



Duff Williamson



Ian Vice



Ganesh Vallamkonda



Irene Tsui

# News of the World

*and News of Hamilton ca. 1990*

**T**he world came roaring out of the '80s. After the economic crash early in the decade, many people felt they had learned their lessons, and the Western economies boomed full speed ahead.

In any terms, it was an extraordinary time. With the coming down of the Berlin Wall and the collapse

of the Soviet Union, the Western economic, political and military systems seemed to have prevailed. And they did in Europe, but there was still a much larger world outside this realm, and so it would be premature to declare the end of history (as opposed to the end of the world), as one author did!

By 1992, Reagan, Thatcher and

Mulroney would all be gone. They (especially Mulroney) left their parties in tatters and their economies in huge national debt, but they had laid the groundwork for eventual prosperity. Alas, not before an even harsher economic reversal in 1992 on account of the NATO war with Iraq.

However the basis was laid for

global economic expansion, and particularly for Canada, first with the 1989 Free Trade Treaty with the US, and then with NAFTA among Canada, the US and Mexico. Arguably, free trade with the US was the first truly autonomous Canadian political decision.

It was not a popular decision in all sectors, especially in Hamilton,



*Lincoln Alexander, former Lieutenant-Governor and namesake to Hamilton's cross-mountain expressway*



*The Lincoln Alexander Expressway, as viewed from Upper James Street. First opened in 1997, it is now the major east-west traffic route across Hamilton mountain*

the quintessential 'labour town' of the receding Industrial Age. Though not born here, the Honourable Lincoln Alexander lived in Hamilton and was the first Lieutenant-Governor of the province from the city since Sir John Hendrie. He had been federal PC Labour Minister, as had John Munro (who briefly but very successfully attended Hillfield) for the Liberals.

The message for the times was not a happy one. It was one of cutbacks in employment both in the shops and in middle management. A huge strike at Stelco followed by the recession almost put it under. Many firms did go under. Gone were the days of the H.P. Frid construction era when in 1959 the workers had been on strike for weeks just before Christmas. When H.P. called them in, they thought they were to be fired. Instead they were given a week's wages and best



*Mr. H.P. Frid*

wishes from the boss!

On the arts front, the Orchestra, Theatre Aquarius and Hamilton Opera were all very active, but the National Ballet under the administration of Bob Johnston '45 had to give up its Hamilton visits for lack of economic support from the community. There was almost a GO train, almost an airport, almost a ring road. Hamilton was caught square in the middle of the changing ages, and it badly needed a plan to adjust.

In reaction to the global conservative agenda, Ontario had turned to David Peterson and the Liberals to moderate the shifts, and his government brought in vast social initiatives. The NDP Bob Rae government, one very favourable to labour, quickly followed the Liberals, and continued the social agenda, piling on huge provincial debt.

By mid-decade, Ontarians had

had their fill of these governments, and came full circle back to the ultra-conservatives and Mike Harris. His government's trimming of jobs in the health and education fields, and his centralization of government powers have caused huge angst in those fields but have gained wide acceptance in the province.

Especially in education, his policies of central control of the system, standardized testing and confrontation with the teachers would seem to be moving in exactly the opposite direction from modern global organizational practice. HSC committed to move with the global organizational standards of collaborative, personal autonomy. Late in the decade, it seemed more and more difficult for independent schools to follow that philosophy from within the provincial system.

Fortunately, the independent schools, with very strong support from HSC, had set up the Canadian Educational Standards Institute to allow an alternative to the provincial regulations. At the change of millennia, this may be the single most important issue facing our schools: government take-over of 'independence', or maitres chez nous.

The next millennium will tell the tale.



*The blizzard of 1999*

# Life in the Information Age • Setting the Stage 1990 - 1995

## Hillfield-Strathallan College 1990 - 1991

Rod Gillyatt  
Head BoyHeather Flett  
Head GirlRaja Bobba  
Gov-Gen. MedalistEllen Sealey  
Gov-Gen. MedalistEtienne deVilliers  
Boar-Pibroch Editor

Elise Babjek



Bob Baillie



Uli Barda



Geoffrey Barnes



Corinne Barr

Christopher  
Bhalla

Rohin Bhargava



Jason Bourke



Charles Chang

Andrew  
CwierdzinskiRichard  
deJongeMarco Di  
Simoni

Paul Fedak

Myrna  
FernandesAnne Marie  
Hand

Shawn Hewson



William Hilson



Annabelle Hunt



Derek Islip



Andrew Jackson

This second year of Graham Hill's term as Chair of the Board was one of planning and building resources for the new program moves. Graham had followed John Frid as Chair of the Education Committee, and he provided excellent leadership in pushing the Renewal, Arts and Technology initiatives ahead.

Rod Gillyatt and Heather Flett were Head Boy and Girl, with Raja Bobba, Jessica Laposa and Ellen Sealey taking top academic honours. Etienne deVilliers edited the *Boar-Pibroch*.

On the community side of school, Rod Gillyatt comments that while chapel was a big part of everyday, 'House meetings were more fun... because it was less formal. The house chant was an opportunity to try and out-do the competition. Yelling at the top of

our lungs we would try and get the house chant to penetrate the wall and drown out the competition. My fearless leaders were Mr. Annable in Junior school and Mr. Helwig in Senior school.

You can guess which house I belong to.'

With the huge increase in arts activities, the students faced serious dilemmas of choice among all the activities. Athletic Director Rob Reiner saw overall growth over the years, 'What we have gained



is program depth'. The year saw unprecedented numbers of teams in competition. Particularly in track and

field, Stephanie Cahill, Sarah Rankin, Chris Conant, Emma Packham, Sloane Cox and Chris Harnett shone. Mike Drumm and Marlene Line won ski trophies.

Marlene also captained three senior teams, a record to date, in basketball, volleyball and soccer. Ginette Park and Dana Thompson led the field-



Renee Kerman



Bob Jugovic



Chris Johnston



Kerwin Johnson



Grant Jobb



Maintenance crew, Richard Cozens, David Hair and Tony Novo



Ian Campbell  
Alumni President



Carla Harstone  
Retiring



Laure Kominar  
New Staff

hockey. The U14 girls volleyball and basketball won city championships, and the boys U14 and U13 won their ISAA tournaments. On the boys' side, Alex Gordon repeated as soccer captain, with Ryan McDermott and Bob Baillie leading the basketball and volleyball respectively. Danny Miller, Kyle Jenkin, Ian Parsons and Dave Schroeder captained the football.

In arts, Sara Ward and her cello won the Lee Hepner Award, and John Beaver's Senior Choir and the flute choir both won top Kiwanis honours. The

stage saw *Up the Down Staircase*, and a remarkable production of *Cabaret* directed by Erik Schaefer. The Juniors put up a fine *Alice in Wonderland*. Arts scholarship student Gema Zamprogna led an enthusiastic Junior dance program. The arts were thriving.

Lyn Vallillee was president of the PA, and Ian Campbell followed Jennifer for the Alumni. James Green '86 helped UWO to the national basketball title, and Ron Bremner '66, was appointed president of B.C. Television. Colin Lazier '67, took up the

Chair of Trustees of Chedoke-McMaster Hospitals, and Chris Jackson '87, won a post-graduate scholarship in nuclear engineering at the University of Illinois.

The College was fortunate in the coming of two strong new staff, Barb Weaver in French, and Dave Hodgetts, a former headmaster of two fine schools, as a Band leader in the Senior School - add serious kayaking to the list of very popular sports. Butch Murakami, the chef for many years, retired and Maria Boers



Kitchen Staff

Mrs. D. Pierroz, Mrs. B. Cvetas, Mrs. T. Peters, Mrs. V. Paraska, Mrs. E. Slater, Mrs. E. Pfeiffer, Mrs. A. Clancy, Mrs. C. Busuttill, Mrs. C. Fisher, Mrs. L. Sharpe, Mrs. C. McLisan, Mrs. L. Beudet, Mr. B. Murakami, Mrs. M. Boers



Parents' Association

Back row: Debbie Snively, Maria DiSilvestro, Alina Tso, Anjli Puri, Maddy Goliger, Anna Vuckovecki, Janet Flett, April Faggion, Donna Robertson, Kathy McEdwards, Deanna Maderak, Ruth Coneglio  
Third row: Wendy Pinto, Cynthia Stewart, Joan Rocca, Brenda Loomans, Julia Quick, Susan Parkes, Denise Rendell, Mirella Paletta, Gail Vedelago, Marylou Ciancone, Jean Clinton, Heather Burbidge  
Second row: Carol Lee Clissold, Lia Dean, Debbie Chafe, Marsha Conant, Lyn Vallillee, Marilyn Reynolds, Lynne Smith, Mary Stirling  
Front row: Hilda Line, Jay McCrimmon

took up the hat!

The first of the 1990s was a solid year.



Jennifer Lamont



Rachel Watts



Adam Khambali



Anil Kurian



Jessica Laposa



Gregory Lawrie



Daniel Lee



Marlene Line



Ira Lopponen



Ryan McDermott



Anna McIntyre



Carey McKeon



Daniel Miller



Jennifer Park



Aaron Posner



Cathy Rocca



Erik Schaefer



Christian Svacina



Dana Thompson



Caaleb Trott



Sarah Wakefield

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

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Richard Line  
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Clare Hargreave  
Head Girl



Zubin Punthakee  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Cynthia Chung  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Julia Upton  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Amaya Aguirrezabal  
Egana



Kristin Ahi



Tania  
Alexander



Cameron  
Assing



Ian Brissett



Tyler Campbell



Oscar Cerijo  
Roibas



Monty Choy



Larry Chu



Robert Clerk



Lorraine Cocca



Abubakar  
Sadiq Dauda



Edward Davis



Erin de Tuba



Carolyn Failes



Stevan Gacesa



Hiro Ger



Aaron Gordon



James Gray



David Griffin

Julia Upton's 25th edition of the **Boar-Pibroch** was dedicated to the prevention of violence, and with immediate reason. The year took two more HSC stars and recent graduates from the community. Nina deVilliers '90 and Jim Campbell '89 had both come to violent ends. Nina to a predator and Jim to a road

accident. It is difficult to describe the impact of such news on a school community, but it is profound, deep and lasting.

In this environment Richard Line and Clare Hargreave as Head Boy and Girl provided a steady influence on the students, all of whom faced very busy years in which to grow. An indication of their activity is shown in

the HSC Silver and Gold Pins awarded at year's end, 3 Gold and 15 Silver. Two of these Pin winners took top academic honours, Zubin Punthakee and Cynthia Chung. Zubin also shared the captaincy of volleyball with Keegan Johnson, and stole the show with Richard Marks as Cash and Carry in the Senior production of **Cinderella**.

In sports, Laura Hillyer and Beth Neumeister swam their way to OFSAA, Anne and Julie Guyatt took the city doubles in tennis, and Clare Hargreave was also a GHAC champ. Once

again, the midget boys and girls cross-country won, and the boys U15 and U16 repeated their wins in basketball. Keegan Johnson also shared captain's duties in basketball, this time with Mike Reio. David Griffin, Kyle Jenkin, Ian Parsons and Dave Schroeder led the football. Aaron Gordon and Richard Line shared the soccer leadership. For the girls' teams, Erica Hargreave and Martha Orr captained the field-hockey, with Maggie Thibodeau the basketball and Maggie also shared the volleyball with Anne Guyatt.

## In Memoriam



Jim Campbell '89



Nina deVilliers '90



George Huang



Elizabeth Hobson



Christine Hanson



Anne Guyatt



Sarah  
Humphreys



Sophie Jane Hunt



Kyle Jenkin



Kristin Knoepfli



Alexis Koetting



Lee Jane  
Krisza



Derek Ma



Louise  
Mackintosh



Drew  
Maddison



Jennifer  
McQuistan



Richard Marks



Matthew  
Menon



Allison Mudge



Jocelyn  
Neysmith



Martha Orr



Ian Parsons



Sharon Patton



Lisa Picone



Donald Rogan



Rebecca San  
Martin Patino



Michael Robertson  
Academic Director



Tosha Docherty  
Development  
Officer



Bill Fleming  
Retiring



Eileen Forestall  
Retiring



Pat Green  
PA President



Shirley Thomas  
Alumni President

Again, the choirs and ensembles were very active. Along with *Cinderella* and *The Mouse Trap*, there were a series of one-acters produced and directed by John Beaver, Alexis Koetting and James Parsons. The Juniors produced another fine G & S, this time, *HMS Pinafore*.

Bill Holton '58 took on the Chairmanship of the Board. With some time out in the middle, he had been a board member from the late '60s and was very well informed about the College's situation. Pat Green was President of the PA

leading another great year for them, now consumed with the year's major fundraiser, Fair Day. Eileen Forestall retired after many years' service in both the kitchen and then as Montessori Matron. Shirley Thomas '83 was Alumni President. Word came back from the alumni with Lindsay Hill '89 being Head of College at Trinity College, U of T, and Tim Taylor's '67 Commander's Commendation for Outstanding Service in the Gulf War.

The mood of the year was not all serious. Doug Moore and his students

started a lampoon publication, *The Grapes of Strath*, one extremely short piece of which summarized 'All my Greatest Speeches' of the Headmaster. It was also the year in which the foreign student population diversified with the enrolment of Amaya Aguirrezabal Egana, Rebecca San Martin Patino and Oscar Cerijo Roibas from Spain. In program development, Brenda Zwolak and Ray Marks were leading the way with the new IDT program. In line with the focus on design, Tosha Docherty, Michael Robertson and the Head-



Mr. William E. Holton '58, BA (Hons), Chair

master redesigned the *Hill-Strath Review* into a colourful tabloid to reflect the new environment.

It takes a long while to recover from great personal loss, as the losses of Nina and Jim were for the community. But it was a year of strong achievement, and the students now looked forward to a great coming year.



Edward Young



Tania Wong



Robert Wang



David Williams



Mark Wallace



James Waddell



Manisha  
Thomas



Maggie  
Thibodeau



Albert Tang



Marsha Simms



Apoorva  
Sharma



David  
Schroeder

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

## 1992 - 1993



Rob O'Brien  
Head Boy



Maria Gacesa  
Head Girl



Etienne deVilliers  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Hannah Stott  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Ishat Reza  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Ana Arambarri  
Arrizabalaga



Jennifer Bhalla



Mark  
Blackstone



Florence Chan



Gillian  
Charlton



Joanne Charlton



Daynis Chen



Sarah  
Cornithwaite



Christopher  
Chung



Jason Davies



Larisa Deme



Matthew Di  
Silvestro



Andrew Failes



Joanne Fleet



Rob Gillyatt



Jason  
Ginsberg



Chris Goater



Aaron Gordon



Stuart Green



Laura Hillyer

It is interesting how human organizations find a flow. Without any particular focus, this year found a new 'togetherness' in the air. Appropriately, the staff and students celebrated in his final year the long and very successful career of Ted Helwig, a person whose life was dedicated to togetherness. Other things, perhaps small in themselves, contributed, too. The sports pages of the *Boar-Pibroch*, ably edited by Ishat Reza, for the first time did not separate the boys and girls teams in a sport. It was also the first year in which the prefects voted for Head Boy and Girl not by sex, but all together, and that's the way they wanted it - together.

The first Head Girl and

Boy from this system were Maria Gacesa and Rob O'Brien, two exceptionally fine and sensitive student leaders. Another dozen Silver Pins were awarded, indicating the strength behind Maria and Rob. Etienne deVilliers and Hannah Stott took top academic honours, again in a very strong field.

The fortunes of sports recovered with a vengeance this year, adding two new ones to the mix, softball and curling! The boys' basketball teams all dominated the ISAA, and the first team, again led by Keegan Johnson and Mike Reio, also won the HWAA. Jennifer Bhalla with Alex Knoepfli led first field-hockey to the championship. Jennifer also captained volley-

ball and soccer. Dana French captained the basketball. Boys' soccer captains were Rob O'Brien, Mike Reio and Marc Sabine. Keegan Johnson also captained the volleyball, and Adrian Fawcett and Rob Gillyatt the football.

In the co-ed sports, track sent two members to OFSAA. Susan Huang and Julie Guyatt took the Hamilton tennis doubles, Laura and Beth again led the swimmers, this year to the HWCSS cup, and badminton continued an

amazing run in the Hamilton and District competitions.

In arts, the Senior choir won in the Toronto Music Festival, and Maria Gacesa won the Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra Concerto Competition which gave her a solo performance with the orchestra. In an unexpected area, Harry Mitchell, coached

by Bryan Wylie, captured the Gold Medal at the Churchill Competition for public speaking, a victory which took them to England to compete! Raja Bobba and Tyler Vallillee took the gold in the



Ted Helwig with the bookends of his career at HSC: Colin Lazier '97, a member of his final Grade 9 class, and his father, Colin Lazier '67, who was in his first Grade 9 class



Michael Jacks



Victoria Islip



Rachel Hollenberg



Jim Ho



Arthur Hilson



Lorraine Adhya  
Treasurer



Laura Seki  
Systems Manager



Bob Robertson  
New Staff



Gina Walker  
Retiring



Mirella Paletta  
PA President



The ARC Rotunda during construction



Katherine Jaskot



Keegan Johnson



Chris Keith



Andrea Khambalia



Angelle Kim

Hamilton-Wentworth Science and Engineering Fair for their work in behavioural science.

Montessori celebrated its 25th anniversary in the College with a record enrolment of 212 students. Mirella Paletta led the parents through another big year. Fair Day continued to grow, and a fall activity was in the wind. From the alumni, word came from Kim Townsend '84 of her work with refugees on the Thai-Cambodian border.

Finally, another long time staff member, Gina Walker also retired after 27 years as Librarian, and so did her able assistant, Marilyn Oneschuk. Gina and Carla Harstone had built the collection over many years and with Ted Helwig, they left a great legacy.

Head Girl, Maria, and her ever

present clarinet, 'Bennie', ably accompanied by Polly Rosenbaum, played out the year with Mozart's K622.

Maria's memories crystallize and articulate what many students have felt from the very foundations: *'I think that the inexplicable ache which we start feeling in high school is the slow realization that time actually passes - our first experiences with seasonal nostalgia and the tender awakening of sensual memory. Smells, colours, movements and specific events can, when revisited in our 'body's eye', instantly recapture, however fleetingly, our former selves which we stack, one on top of the other like Russian dolls...*

*The body never forgets...the mind isn't so accurate. Recalling my sensual memory produced many lovely, silly and poignant memories that I am thankful to have in my company... inside-bus smell; bench-butt (right Gumby?); damp, quiet winter hallways; X-country in the rain; pine needles; the first recesses outside after winter. Quick, bright flashes that hold me for a moment, suspended in time.'*



Sebastian Yang



Scott Wu



Jonathan Ward



Tyler Vallilée



Julia Upton



Alex Tso

wearing Black-watch.

Plans for building on those talents and legacies were afoot. Once again, Mike DeGroote started things off with a generous donation which allowed the project to proceed. Bring on the ARC (Advanced Resource Centre) and the third leg of the new curriculum for the Information Age.



Daniel Trbovich



Hannah Stott



Jennifer Steadman



Christine Spedaleri



Keith Siu



Raja Singh



Sho Shirakashi



Marc Sabine



Jacqueline Rendell



Michael Reio



Boys Basketball

Back row: Mr. Annable, Adrian Fawcett, Edward Veckie, Caine Baldassi, Keegan Johnson, Chris Conant, Joe Vayalunkal, Mr. Green, Mr. Reiner  
Front row: Michael Reio, Warren Mills, David deFreitas, Miles Baldassi, Brian Chen, Michael Jacks



Ashesh Kumar



Inigo Laspur



Amy Lazier



Richard Lo



Wendy Manning



Robert Mayer



Jamieson McDermott



Colin McQuistan



Simon Packham



James Parsons



Robert Piro



Ruthlyn Pomares



Carrie Posner



Patrick Quinn



Michael Rankin

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1993 - 1994



Coll Gordon  
Head Boy



Polly Rosenbaum  
Head Girl/Gov. Gen. Medalist



Joe Vayalumkal  
Gov.-Gen. Medalist



Else Knudsen  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Amber Aird



Jamie  
Alexander



Caine Baldassi



Dawn Biljetina



Samantha  
Brickman



Brian Chen



Murphy Chen



Daynis Chen



Barron Chung



Cheryl Clerk



Christopher  
Conant



David deFreitas



Joaquin Del  
Moral



Jonathan  
Dixon



James Elson



Adrian Fawcett



Dana French



Neeshali  
Garach



Trevor Gillyatt



Jodi Green



Julie Guyatt

Something was passed on from Maria Gacesa to Polly Rosenbaum, as Polly was elected Head Girl for this year, ably partnered with Head Boy Coll Gordon. Polly also won the Governor-General's Medal and captained the volleyball team as part of her ubiquitous interests, as well as winning a four-year scholarship to McMaster. Joe Vayalumkal, a finalist for a Canadian Merit Scholarship, shared the top academic honours.

With new Board Chair Basil Gillyatt, a strong supporter of the project, the ARC was officially opened in November by Professor Jane Phillips, President of the Professional Engineers of Canada. It was an immediate and College-wide hit. The point of adding signif-

icant space for the more practical, investigative, technological and collaborative aspects of College life was apparent to the whole community. As *Boar-Pibroch* editor Else Knudsen wrote, 'HSC is definitely ready to pave the way to face the challenging world where technological skills will be an essential part of every student's education.'

New energy filled the College, and was manifest in broad accomplishments. In the arts, John McGuirk's Wind Ensemble won silver in Philadelphia's Music Maestro Competition, and the Senior Jazz Band took top honours at Boston's Heritage Music Festival. Natasha Jovanovic played to first place in seven Kiwanis categories!

In diverse areas, Junior student, Marc Colangelo, won the first of his Canadian National Math League honours, and the Juniors also won the Junior Science Olympics under Peter Meszaros, Brenda Zwolak and Paul Levy. Harry Mitchell and Amber Aird won the USA Today & AT&T stock market competition, and Susan Huang won the National Junior Tennis championship!

Other sports achievements included captain Dave deFreitas' basketball team's first OFSAA medal, a bronze, Caine Baldassi's volleyball ISAA championship, and Emma Packham and Alex Knoefli's fieldhockey league championship. Chris Harnett and Jordan Neysmith led the soccer, and Adrian Fawcett, Ian

Ostoffi and Dave Morwald the football. Leading the girls were Jennifer Bhalla in soccer and Dana French in basketball.

Susan Huang took two divisions, leading the badminton to another league championship. Marnie Tokaruk and Justin Kominar led the swimmers, and the track. Andy Philpot and Sylvia Zimmerman's rowing and kayaking teams had busy years.

On the stage, Ted Flett and David Marks were the show stealers as Manolo and Jesús in *The Odd Couple*, with excellent performances by Joanna McCabe, Laura Meehan, Jenni Menon, Erika Putnins, Linda LeBrun and Nora Nolan. The musical *The King and I* was a singular hit.



Anita Jaskot



Nadine Hurmal



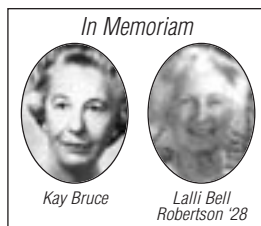
Blair Hubber



Flora Huang



Chris Harnett



Joven Lin



John Loranger



David Marks



Laura Meehan



Jennifer Menon



Warren Mills



Harry Mitchell



David Morwald



Nancy MacKinnon



Elizabeth Neumeister



Jordan Neysmith



Ian Ostofi



Victoria Park



Jeremy Parsons



Caralai Peters



Christine Romeo



Jason Pratt



Erika Putnins



Ishat Reza



Christine Philpot



Murray Weaver  
Alumni President



Debbie Chafe  
PA President



Michael Loranger  
Retiring



Hope Lee  
Retiring



Dawna Petsche-Wark  
New Staff



Nicola Hunter  
New Staff



*Administrative Staff*

Mrs. Beryl MacMillan, Mrs. Delia Stapleford, Ms. Fiorella Mancuso, Mrs. Kay Frank, Mrs. Elaine Jenkins, Mrs. Patricia Ryckman, Ms. Tosha Docherty, Mrs. Lorraine Adhya, Mr. Peter Bradley, Ms. Adela DiFebo, Ms. Laura Seki  
Seated: Mrs. Nancie Gervais, Miss Jane Devi

lish teacher, Head Cleaner, Maria Cseresnyes, and Doreen Pierroz from the Kitchen.

Murray Weaver took on the presidency of the Alumni, and he would organize the first, and very well-received, Alumni Directory and go on to solid Board service. Debbie Chafe led another tremendous

year for the PA, whose contributions to the College just kept growing.

HSC was 'on a roll' as the expression goes, but keeping the direction of that roll - i.e. a program focussed on helping students with broad learning profiles to learn within a collaborative organization of



Mr. Basil Gillyatt, Chair

autonomous professionals - was a very complex, and not uncontroversial, pursuit. Having set out with Academic Director Michael Robertson the broad implications of this 'roll' in the paper, Schooling to Learning, the Headmaster announced his intent to retire. Twenty-five years had taken a toll, and another set of 'new shoulders' was needed.

But there was a busy and productive year ahead for the staff and students.



Darlene Edwards



Susan Yin



Angela Yang



Grace Woo



Jeff Wang



Christopher Vedelago



Aleya Trott



Marnie Tokaruk



Mark Springer



Jill Sanger-Smith



Mark Rosenblatt

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1994 - 1995



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Head Boy



Sarah Kim  
Head Girl



Jeremie Wood  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Natalie Chung  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Matt Jiggins  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Else Knudsen  
Gold Pin



Erik Beese



Andrew  
Cabilan



Hilary  
Chambers



Derek Chung



Sloane Cox



Juan Carlos  
Escobar



Fabien  
DeFreitas



Paul Faggion



Ted Flett



Tatjana Gabric



Carlos Haridas



Stephen  
Hayman



Leah Hilson



Jenny Hwang



Kevin Islip



Anna Janosik



Amina  
Khambalia



Alexandra  
Knoepfli



Justin Kominar

The first priority of the Board was the search for a new head through a committee chaired by former Chair of the Board, Graham Hill.

Sarah Kim and Mo Panju were Head Girl and Boy, with Natalie Chung and Jeremie Wood taking top academic honours. Matt Jiggins edited yet another outstanding *Boar-Pibroch*, and Else Knudsen won the HSC Gold Pin.

This was an exceptional year for the *'betterment of others'* part of the College mission. Overall, the staff and students raised \$10,000 for the United Way, the Montessori raised a further \$3600, Primary \$3500 and the

Houses \$7400 all for special projects in the community. Paul Rosenblatt collected Christmas toys for some 1743 children, and Lois O'Brien led a record blood drive. And none of that included the many individual volunteer hours put into helping others, both in the school and wider community. The mission was working.

The Juniors took top honours again in the Junior Science Olympics, Derek Chung, Kelly Dore and Erica Konrad all won gold at the Hamilton Science Fair. Arts scholar Gema Zamprogna was nominated for a Gemini Award for her work in *Road to Avonlea*, and Kate Lazier won one of the very presti-

gious University of Toronto National Scholarships, the criteria for which the Headmaster had helped establish some years earlier.

The stage saw a spirited revival of *Our Town* and a wonderfully received *Fiddler on the Roof*. In the Kiwanis competitions, the Choirs, Sara Ward, Erica McMeekin, John and Heather Kwak, Tasha Forster and Cherie Gyorffy, all won top places. Nicholas Gede-Lang earned top marks, an award and a scholarship for his Lyrical Duet Dance.

In sports, Beau Romand led the badminton team to victory in the city with two firsts, while the track team won GHAC with Nick Gede-Lange, Taylor

Matthews, Joanna Rosenbaum, Louise Waterfall, Scott Cairns and Jeremy Kominar. The girls U16 Volleyball won the ISAA tournament with Salimah Mussani, Becky Hamber and Joanna Rosenbaum. Both boys' volleyball teams prevailed, the seniors under captain John Alexiou. U12, U13, and U14 boys basketball all won CISAA or city titles.

Other teams were very active with Alex Knoepfli and Emma Packham once again at the lead in fieldhockey, Sandra Janosic in volleyball, Judith Laposa in soccer and Sarah Rankin and Amina Khambalia in basketball. For the boys the captains were Scott Innes, Geoff Conant



Judith Laposa



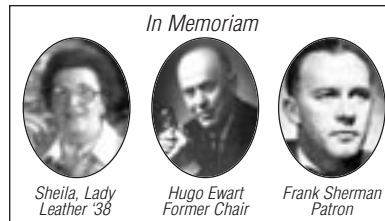
Catherine  
Lambert



Maggie Kuo



Sanjai Kumar



Carey Thurlby  
Groundskeeper



Danielle Hourigan  
New Staff



Martin Ward-Doran  
New Staff



Sheila Land  
Transportation  
Supervisor



Peter Bradley  
Retiring



Lynn Davies  
PA President

and Ric Marinis in basketball, Carlos Haridas and Stephen Hayman in soccer, and Rob Rosstodd, Tim Ferris, Eric Williamson and Fabian DeFreitas in football.

After many years as Head of Primary, Noel Spratt asked to step down, and his good friend and compatriot, Ray Marks, took up the challenge. This year also saw the retirement of long-term support staff Peter Bradley and Maria Boers. Lynn Davies chaired the PA through another busy year. On the sad but grateful side, the College lost Patron Frank Sherman, Former Chair Hugo Ewart, and long time supporter, Sheila, Lady Leather '38.

With the announcement of

the new Head, Bill Boyer, Barry Wansbrough and Michael Robertson, with a combined term of 50 years at the school, left. Barry pursued his writing and web-based learning projects, and Michael became the first Chair of the Upper Canada College Creativity Project. That project would result in a unique \$10,000,000 Creativity and Student Centre, which, like their projects at HSC, transformed the lives of the students.

The one last outstanding item before going, and strongly helped and supported by Basil Gillyatt, Chris Sherk, and the rest of the Board, was the contract to purchase the land to the south of the campus,



*U16 Boys Volleyball HWCAA Champions*

Back row: Jamie Innes, Gabriel Chan  
Third row: Jim Zwolak, Andrew Tihal, Phil Vayalumkal, Jon Nameth  
Second row: Taylor Matthew, Jon Lau (captain), Ian MacDougall, Conor Killian  
Front row: Chris Fanning, Sunjay Sharma

which the school shared with its neighbour, Mohawk College.

Certainly in camping terms, Michael and Barry left

the site in as good or better shape than they found it.



Barry Wansbrough and Michael Robertson



Gema Zamprogna



Anton Yechyn-Pawczuk



Erik Williamson



Jamie Waterfall



Kate Lazier



Linda Lebrun



Trevor Lecluse



Chris Mattatal



Joanna McCabe



Kiranjit Nahal



Mai Nguyen



Ares Nicolau



Lois O'Brien



Emma Packham



Elena Paletta



Alexandra Patrick



Sara Rankin



Alanna Rondi



Nancy Rosser



Owen Sherwood



Mellanie Springer



Sarah Stewart



Sara Ward

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## Transition Times

Where to from here? That was the question that the new Head and new Chair, Suzanne Shulman, the Board and staff all faced, and the planning process began again. What would evolve in the new collaboration?

As one of Canada's outstanding musicians,

Suzanne had first come on the Board to support the building of the school's arts program, and chaired the Arts Sub-Committee. As Board Chair, her attention turned to the list of board policies up for review, including conflict of interest relating to governance matters, the direction of information tech-

nology, investments, donations and scholarships and bursaries. She was active in the Independent Schools' Association work both in Canada and the United States.

Bill Boyer came to HSC from two previous Headships, most recently at the Toronto French

School and before that at Neuchatel Junior College, a Swiss school offering the Ontario curriculum. He gained his early teaching and administrative experience at Crescent School in Toronto, rising to Head of the French Department and Director of Admissions.

He was widely involved in the Independent and provincial Modern Languages associations, having initiated an Enriched French Program at Crescent, chaired the organizing committee of the French Contest for the Ontario Modern Languages Teachers of Ontario, and chaired the Independent Schools' Modern Languages Conference in 1986.

Educationally, Bill Boyer brought his skills in

bringing constituencies together from his TFS tenure. He supported the move toward the integration of technology into the program, and brought a commitment to supporting the development of the student in all areas, not just academic, but also in physical, cultural and social development.

With his wife, Colleen, and twin sons, Justin and Sean, the new Head also brought a background of interests involving sports, having coached hockey, basketball, golf and badminton. His broader interests included music, outdoor activities and travel.

The immediate task was to learn about the school and its program and people, and to develop a new plan to grow into the Information Age. Carrying



Bill Boyer, John Page and Barry Wansbrough at Barry's retirement dinner



over from the previous years were the financial necessity to pay for the purchase of the south fields and ongoing financial sustainability of the College as an institution. The growth in enrolment to over the 1000 student mark led to facility concerns, especially in the Montessori School. Further issues of Board makeup and by-laws came from CESI and were on the agenda.

Finally, and perhaps most importantly, the parents of the students, through their associa-

tion and especially from their fundraising, were becoming more vocal in their wishes to have more say in the management of the school.

All of the new Head's diplomatic skills would be needed to keep things on an even keel and capture the wave into creative growth with a well-oiled and experienced staff and board.



*Bill Boyer and his family Sean, Justin and Colleen*

# Hillfield Strathallan



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Joanne Chan  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



John Alexiou



Wojtek  
Arciszewski



Neil Barr



Rasha Bayoumi



Keith Bell



Shawna Bretzler



Mira Jane  
Campbell

As ever, the changes in the adult world didn't stop the students from carrying right on.

Under Allison Newlands and Beau Romand, the students had a year of fine achievement. Andrea Gede-Lange and Chris Chan took top academic honours, and Joanne Chan edited a fine **Boar-Pibroch**.

In athletics, Beau Romand and Stephen Hayman won championships as did Joe Walker and Becky Hamber. In track, the U12 and U14 boys and girls swept CISAA, with

Chase Paterno finishing first. Alexander Dobranowski set a provincial record in the Ontario Boys' high jump at 1m 51cm. Both U14 Boys basketball and soccer won in CISAA, as did the U15 basketball. Even the U11 Boys soccer won its invitational tournament.

At the girls' senior level, Sonia Lapinsky and Adrienne Adair captained the fieldhockey, and Adrienne also led



Prime Minister Jean Chretien and Hayley Dillabaugh

the soccer. Leslie Hudson was captain of volleyball. On the boys' side, Jeremy Drumm captained the soccer and also shared the basketball with Taylor Matthews and Rick DeMarinis. John Alex-

iou captained volleyball.

In the arts, it was a very active year. The Seniors produced **Arsenic and Old Lace**, and Tim Wood and Alex Brott starred in **Oliver**. Jim Stewart, Lindsay Cowan and Peter Palmer won both first and second prizes at the McMaster Engineering Design Competition. Chris Chan, John Kwak, Colin Lazier, Michael Spratt and David Newmark won first prize in the Independent School Computer Olympics.

In the Hamilton and District Science Fair, Kelly Dore and Erica Conrad not only won



Mindy Hubbard



Susan Huang



Allison Haid



Corina Gillyatt



Tim Ferris



Peter Channan



Henry Choi



Jon Cohen



Geoff Conant



Sarah Coulson



Riccardo De  
Marinis



Veronique  
Demers



Andrew  
Desson



Sam de  
Tuba



Kelly Dore



David Douglas



Jeremy Drumm



Margaret Elson



Leslie Hudson



Tital Imam



Scott Innes



Katie Isenmen



Mary Catherine Jacks



Matthew Jiggins

the Gold for their entry, but went on to the American Fair and were asked by the American Psychologists' Association to publish their findings. And the new Swap Centre, HSC's answer to an interactive 'chil-



*Fiddler On The Roof - May, 1995*

Nora Nolan, Natalie Chung, Lisa Piorczynski, Nadine Doris, Kate Hedges, and Fabien De Freitas (in front)



Kassia Johnson



Janey Joo



Anders Knudsen



Erica Konrad



Jon Lambert



Sonia Lapinsky



Sarah Melville



Gordon McLean



Kavir Puri



Paul Rosenblatt



Robert Rosstodd



Jason Scime



Jordan Sobel

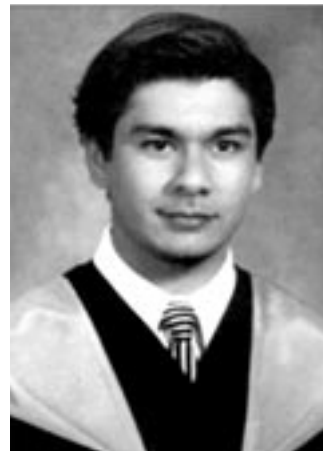


Michelle Tihal

dren's museum', had passed the 28,000 trade mark!

Lia Dean led a very active PA and a big year of fundraising of some \$66,000. Danny Polos '71, took on the Presidency of the Alumni. News

from the alumni included the story of Alex Lee's '90 presentation of the Canadian Star of Courage by the Governor-General for trying to rescue a



Alexander Lee '90 was invested with the Star of Courage by the Governor-General the Right Honourable Roméo LeBlanc on May 17, 1996 at Rideau Hall in Ottawa

woman from an assault. News also came of Allyson Luchak's '82 multiple awards in recognition of her role as producer in the PBS program, *The American Experience*. Rupert Gordon '89 continued his remarkable career, winning a Fulbright Scholarship at Yale University.

The transition year ended as one of great activity and accomplishment. Things looked good. Would the big gains in enrolment hold up?



Christine (Sharp) Ellis  
New Staff



Brenda Zwolak  
Academic Director



Dan Polos '71  
Alumni President



Lia Dean  
PA President



Suzanne Shulman, Chair



MarieBeth Young



Andy Yeh



Sarah Wu



John Wilson



Ryan Toth

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Tasha Forster



Mark Goliger



Angus Gordon



Nicholas  
Gordon



Lindsay  
Hammer



Benjamin  
Johnston



Natasa  
Jovanovic



Rachel Khanna

This year highlighted very happy news from our Patrons. The College expressed its gratitude for the tremendous support and generosity of Michael G. (Mike) DeGroote by naming the 'new' gym the Michael G. DeGroote Gymnasium. Like all of Mike's help over the years, this added another strong pillar to the supports of the College. And yet another 'first' fell to the College when Sir Edwin Leather '33 accepted the invitation to fill the Patron's seat left by the passing of Frank Sherman. This was a particular pleasure for the College as Sir Edwin's father had been a patron, and so it was the first father-son

Patron succession. With Colin Lazier '35 still very active, the College was excellently served by its Patrons.

Any worries about the enrolment were quickly quelled by another big gain, taking the numbers up to the 1040s. Space was definitely becoming a challenge, but the old formula of building program and plans in the times of recession and looking for growth in the recovering times certainly held up in these years.

Compounding the challenge of space was its increasingly active use. Gita Wahi and Ian MacDougal set the pace as Head Girl and Boy, with Simon LeBrun editing

an excellent *Boar-Pibroch*. Xerxes Punthakee was clearly busy as his HSC Gold Pin demonstrates, and Richard Mayer and Nancy Ma set the standard academically.

On top of this (and with the help of new staff member Sandeep Grewal) Colin Lazier (grandson of our Patron), Michael Spratt, John Kwak and David Newmark dove into the Information Age with their engaging CD-ROM version of the year-book. On the program side, Carol Cassidy started the College's GIS program, further planting the students' feet into the new age.

In sports, Charlotte Klein and Adrienne Adair led the

fieldhockey back to its championship ways, and Salimah Mussani won the CISAA golf title, with Neil Barr recording the longest drive. Kiran West was provincial pole vault champ, and the U14 Girls repeated their CISAA cross-country win. The badminton team continued to dominate the Separate School events, and in track, Alex Dobrowski won both the shot put and the triple jump. The junior swimmers, Celine St. Michael, Leigh Gable and Katie Baines also won Gold.

On the boys' side, the U16 Volleyball under coach Tony Hughes continued its remarkable string of CISAA championships, and the U12



James Lam



Melissa  
LaFerla-Steel



John Kwak



Anne-Marie Knudsen



Asad Kiyani



Michael DeGroote  
Patron



Sir Edwin Leather  
New Patron



Sandeep Grewal  
New Staff



Blanka Guyatt  
Director of  
Student Services

# Michael G. DeGroote GYMNASIUM



Heather Burbidge  
PA President



Conor Killian



Nicholas  
Ziolkowski



Jeff Wilkinson



Jacqueline  
Lawlor



Colin Lazier



Christina Lee



Ariel Lo



Ben Lu

boys soccer also brought home the ribbons. At the senior levels, Mark Goliger and Steve Atkinson captained the soccer, and Steve joined with Matt Taylor to lead the basketball. Xerxes carried on the family tradition by captaining the volleyball. In football, patience and determination certainly paid off for coaches Higson and Hodgetts as the team made the finals and brought back the Challenge Cup from arch rivals, Appleby. Captains Jeff Wilkinson, Andrew Weaver, Dave Thibodeau and Matthew Reynolds led the way. Jennifer McEdwards captained the girls' soccer, Gita Wahi the basketball and Nancy Ma the

volleyball.

Bryan Wylie and Nora Nolan led a community revival of *I Never Saw Another Butterfly* to have reviews, while Tim Wood and Amanda Zamprogna starred in the musical, *Carousel*. The Jazz Ensemble capped a very strong year by bringing back the gold from the Chicago Heritage Festival.



*I Never Saw Another Butterfly*

Bryan Wylie, Dr. Jana Renée Friesová, Nora Nolan, and Anna Schaefer

Veronica Konrad, Joy Kasai, Andrea Davies and Peter Hunter all brought home gold from the Hamilton and District Science and Engineering Fair, and the annual Jump Rope for Heart event raised perhaps the top sum in the country, \$20,181.<sup>36</sup> Not to be outdone, the PA, under President Heather Burbidge with Treasurer Nora Klein,

raised a record \$85,000 for the College. From the Alumni, Jeremy Drumm '96 played on the National University Championship Dalhousie Baseball team and Polly Rosenbaum '94 won the prestigious McMaster 'Honour M' award.

Lots going on, and lots more to come.



The Concert Band won a silver at the regional MusicFest in St. Catharines this year, and was invited to compete at the National Festival in Ottawa. At the Heritage Festival in Chicago, the Wind Ensemble received a bronze.



Louise Waterfall



Paula Wang



Florian  
Virchow



Owen Tse



Perry To



David  
Thibideau



Michael Spratt



Carolina  
Sobczyk



Natasa  
Skupsky



David Sexton



David Marshall



Erick Martin



Ryan Mattattall



Kathryn  
McBurney



Stewart  
McChesney



Jennifer  
McEdwards



Phillip Mitchell



Elizabeth  
Mudge



Iris Mung



June Nawrocki



David  
Newmark



Cheryl  
Piorczynski



Xerxes  
Punthakee



Jonathan  
Robertson



Matthew  
Reynolds

# Hillfield-Strathallan College

1997 - 1998



Andrew Parry  
Head Boy



Megan Ogilvie  
Head Girl



Lawrence Scott  
Birks Medalist



Mara Sobel  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



David Brott



Scott Cairns



Oscar Carlborg



Gabriel Chan



Beverly Chan



Spencer Chang



Naria Choi



Amanda Ciancone

Bruce Heagle '76, son of former chair Doug, took up the Chair of the Board this year. This was the third time both father and son were chairmen of the Board. The first were the St. Clair Balfours ('22 and '56) and the second, the William Holtons ('32 and '58).

Bruce's task was to guide the new Master Plan to 'keep HSC at the edge' of modern education. Based on upholding the solid values of independence, its four small school structure, co-education, excellence of its staff and resource-rich environment, the plan evolved.

On that base, the first part of the plan involved: in-charge, self-directed learning (neither permissive nor isolated); an organizational model reflecting Peter Senge's Learning Organization; and the on-going

financial sustainability of the College. Practically, this plan meant keeping enrolment at current levels, around 1100 students, providing more space to accommodate the strained facilities, especially of the Senior and Montessori Schools, and expanding the busing and dining services. A recent parent survey had targeted the latter points for action. There is a rule of thumb in schools that if the target of discontent is the food, all is well. Quiet on the food front - beware! Something's up.

Appropriately, this year's theme was *Innovation and Creativity*, and it was led by two 16 year student veterans, Andrew Parry and Megan Ogilvie, Head Boy and Girl. They were backed by no fewer than 10 other 16 year veterans in the graduation class. Perse-

verance seemed not a problem. Mara Sobel and Lawrence Scott led the academic pack.

In sports, this perseverance paid off for the rowers as the heavy eights under Andy Philpot and Sylvia Zimmerman captured the city crown. Perhaps the surprise of the year was Dave Moffatt's girls' softball team led by Crissy Kennedy, Sarah Cairns and Caitlin Kennedy. It took the ISAA league with a runs for-against record of 107-14! Other champs included, surprise, surprise, both boys' volleyball teams, the boys' Firsts



Bruce D. Heagle '76, Chair

captained by Jon Lau; both girls' volleyball, the Firsts captained by Laurie Hudson, the girls' First field-hockey captained by Crissy Kennedy and Lindsay Walker; golf with Jim Zwolak and Sam Howarth; CISAA Track, swimming, tennis and badminton! OK, Reiner (Athletic Director), slow down!

Arts were equally active. On the student side, it was the farewell year for another era. Simon Lebrun, Brandon Vedalago, Lisa Piorczynski, Amanda Ciancone and Andrew Hammond led the finale in a splendid revival of *Godspell*. On the staff/community side, two of the original musical players Marcel



Jamie Innes



Roy Hwang



Chris Hughes



Laurie Hudson



Eric Hollenberg



Monica Ho



Leigh Hinsperger



Brian Costello



Simon Cott



Bradley Coultres



Chad-Allan Csomor



Bryce Deniz



Tim Desson



Yvonne Farah



Alexandra Ferletic



David Gabric



Thomasina Gordon



Andrew Hammond



Julia Hillyer



Joy Kassai



Chrissy Kennedy



Charlotte Klein



Heather-Anne Knoepfli



Jeremy Kominar



Veronica Konrad



Adwait Kulkarni



Heather Kwak



Connie Kwan



Chris Lambert



Jonathan Lau



Andrew Layzell



Simon Lebrun



Andrew Leidal



Winnie Lin



Elena Mallard



Avril McMeekin



Jeremy Molon



Jonathan Nameth



David Ng



Nora Nolan



Amanda Zamprogna



Dominic Zamprogna



Joel Woodley-Cook



Andrew Weaver



Matthew Watts



Joseph Walton



Courtney Vince



Brandon Vedelago



Summer Vallilille



Eliza Sobczyk



Sunjay Sharma

Mongeon '74 and John Simpson '75 joined up with staff, parents and fellow alumnae for a stunning production of *Guys and Dolls*, raising \$13,500 for the arts program. Lisa, Simon, Brandon and Nora Nolan also teamed up for a fine rendition of *Charlie's Aunt*. The Juniors, never behind, produced their fine version of *On*

*Broadway* and Early Ed had their own super seasons.

In the Hamilton Science Fair, Andrew Leidal captured gold. Grade 4 student Mark Robbins won a place at the Alabama Space Camp - and returned.

The PA had another great year led by President Judy Adams, and Rob Alexander

'89 led the Alumni. From the alumni we heard that Ishat Reza '94 was working with Steve Paikin '78 at

TVO's *Studio 2*, Allyson Luchak '82 continued her sweep with an Emmy, and John Alexiou '96 won the Queen's University Alfie Pierce Trophy for most contribution from a first year athlete.

It was also a year of loss for the College in the passing of Headmaster Emeritus I, John Page. His contributions are hopefully well documented in this history. Tributes poured in, and the College named the gym/dining building, housing Lawson Hall, the DeGroote and 'Old' gyms in his honour. On the sad/grateful side, the College saw two huge contributors retire, Andy Philpot and



Judy Adams  
PA President



Rob Alexander  
Alumni President



Andy Philpot  
Retired



Dave Hodgetts  
Retired

Dave Hodgetts. Andy had the longer term, the full 25 years. In the lab, and on the water and fields, his contribution was legion. Dave came to HSC towards the end of his fine career, but just at the right time for the College, and he made an important contribution.

The creative and innovative energies came together this year in an excellent illustration of what can happen when planning works in complement with a thoughtful, experienced and dedicated staff and the sheer drive of the students.



Travis Schneider



Steven Salama



Sarah Sakhuja



Kevin Rondi



Channing Rodman



Alissa Raphael



John Powers



Lisa Piorczynski



Neil Padgett



Patrick Orovan



A photo tribute to Col. John Page

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Natasha Rathbone  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Jennifer MacArthur  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Anne Alma



Lindsay  
Auchinachie



Robert Bensen



Aaron Bird



Lindsay Bond



Michael Branch



Justin Byun



Justin  
Campbell



Jack Chen



Michael Chen



Eddie Chun



Mike Conway



Lindsay Cowan



John Dennison



Karen  
Deverson



Katherine  
Dishke



Andrew  
Fawcett



Mike Faye



Jamie Griffith

Plans continued to develop for keeping the College on the front edge as it addressed the 'sustainability' element of the Master Plan in a new configuration of the HSC Foundation under the Trustee Chair Leila Ryan. As parent, Board member and Trustee, her tenure covered some 30 years, and she is in that small group of the community without whose help the College might well have failed.

Jim Zwolak and Lindsay Walker led a very active year as Head Boy and Girl, and Marc Colarusso and Soojin Chun set the academic pace. Tim Wood won an HSC Gold Pin award for his outstanding school career. Natasha Rathbone and Jen-

nifer MacArthur edited a delightful *Boar-Pibroch*, the first fully colour edition. Its theme, 'Pop Art', carried through with great success, mirroring the school year.

In activities it was a rebuilding year, but not without some great successes. The girls' field-hockey under Lindsay Walker, also captain of volleyball, went to the city finals, and the junior volleyball won the cup. Lindsay Cowan led the basketball and Alex Whatley the soccer. In co-ed games, Leigh Gabel and Eliot Craig went off to OFSAA cross-country, and Magda Dobrowski, Chris Olutola and Kristina Hassell all excelled in the swimming pools. For the boys, Jim Zwolak led the volleyball to the CISAA

finals and also shared the basketball honours with Phil Vayalumkal and Sam Howarth. James Stewart and John Piccoli shared the soccer captaincy, as did Justin Campbell, Jeff Pine and Darren Shaver in football.

Also rebuilding in arts, the ensembles and choirs kept standards as high as ever. On stage, Tim Wood and Ashley Taylor performed an excellent *Shadowlands*, with *Spoon River* also a great success. Musically, *My Fair Lady* took the lights, and the Soundfest's *Stewart McLean's Vinyl Cafe* was the biggest hit ever.

Not to be left behind, the Grade 4 Primary students directed by Barb Reade '78 and Barb Hughes staged

Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

Also biggest ever was the Thanksgiving food drive - 2950 lbs (430 kgs) - i.e. several bus loads. *For the betterment of others* was alive and well.

The year saw both Mark Hudson and Rick Stockdale pass their Senior and Junior Schools headships along. Vicky Cairns would take on the Senior School as Interim Head when the appointee withdrew. Stuart Grainger would take on the Junior School, coming from Ashbury College in Ottawa. Retirements also took some long-time favourites. Sandy Sanderson, certainly one of the most popular and competent teachers in the College's history, Cecelia Carter-



Helen Kang



Sarah-Jane Johnson



Charlotte Jacklein



Allistar Ingram



Sam Howarth



Erin Hayman



Kay Frank  
Retiring



Betty Barham  
Retiring



Flora Spencer  
Retiring



Cecelia Carter-Smith  
Retiring



Sandy Sanderson  
Retiring



Stuart Grainger  
New Staff



Tom Klein



Catherine  
Kovacich



Sonal Kulkarni



Michelle Lau



Robert  
Lummack



Jonathan Mahn



Sandhya Maini



Brie Mazza



Jamie  
McBurney



Patrick  
McCabe



Andrew Mills



Jordan Moat



Charles Ng



Peter Palmer



Harrison Park



John Piccoli



Jeffrey Pine



Nicole Scruton



Darren Shaver



John Spratt

Smith who had held athletic and both Senior and Junior posts, and Flora Spencer, long time Junior School teacher, all retired. Betty Barham, a 27-year fixture in the Montessori School from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. also retired (along with her unforgettable music!), and after a serious illness, Kay Frank, another 25 year staff member in the accounts office, retired having given great service.

Most sadly, the College lost another of its old Hill-field stalwarts, Stuart Waters. Loved and admired by his many students and friends, Stuart was the quintessential gentleman 'school master'.

Under the presidency of Magda Doris, the PA pulled off another stunning



Magda Doris  
PA President



Stephen Jennings  
Alumni President

\$103,492.<sup>03</sup> year! Could that ever be matched? Stephen Jennings '90 headed the Alumni. Highlight news came back from Cathy Stechey '90 who had joined the RCMP and reportedly was alone in defending the Manitoba/North Dakota border. Anne Guyatt '92 sent word of her teaching experiences in the Native Ososwan School in Northern Quebec, following in the steps of Steve Newell '75 and Doug Jacques '76.

The century winds down but not the action. On to the penultimate year.



*Boys U16 Volleyball*

Back row: Mr. Hughes, Scott Nameth, Daniel May, Stephen Verbeek, Peter Horrobin, Mitch Armstrong, Elliot Craig, Adam Ruickbie

Front row: Ted duDomaine, Liam Stockdale, Jason Por, Chris Hepworth, Neil Fanstone, Dan Walzak, Topher Morris



*Girls Soccer*

Back row: Mrs. Sue Budge, Lauren Robinson, Caitlin Grzeslo, Katelyn Peer, Bailey Schroeder, Michelle Hunter, Mercedes Markowski, Mrs. Cathy Keith

Front row: Amanda Fusina, Sarah Jun, Elisha Henderson-Dekort, Maris Lush, Lauren Nicholson, Cayley Dickenson, Linda Suleiman, Britanni O'Neill, Arielle Stockdale



Tim Wood



Alex Whately



Edward  
Walzak



Sasha  
Vasovich-Kellar



Philip  
Vayalunkal



Heather Tiley



Mary Beth Rix



Andrew Tihal



Rekio Suzuki



James Stewart



Graham Sterret



John Sproat

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Jesse Campling  
Head Boy



Stacey Deniz  
Head Girl



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Cherie Gyorffy  
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Jennifer Hughes  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Sean Adams



Andrew Baines



Roopjit Bhullar



James  
Boughner



William Braden



Stephanie  
Bradshaw



Natalie Casale



Jason Chafe



Louanne Chan



Mu-Tao Chen



Netasha  
Chohan



Marc  
Colangelo



Stephen  
Collins



Cayley Conant



Allana  
Desrochers



Magdalena  
Dobranowski



Nadine Doris



Andrea  
Federici



Hannah  
Gordon



Lesley Gormley

This year saw the outcome of 'Building on Excellence, Part I', with the opening of the new Montessori Building and the enlarged Artsplex and music facilities. Each element was a welcome relief to serious crowding that had resulted from the ever increasing enrolment, now in the mid-1100s. With Collinson now free, the Juniors and Seniors gained badly needed space.

Jesse Campling and Stacey Deniz led an exceptionally active student body as Head Boy and Girl, and Dilan Disanayake and Cherie Gyorffy took top academic honours. Cherie and Jennifer Hughes edited an excellent 'Millennium' edition of the *Boar-*

## Pibroch.

On the sports front, the girls' softball had another undefeated season, winning the CISAA title in the final against BSS. The U16 boys softball followed suit and also won its division. U16 boys volleyball also took the OFSAA and CAIS honours. The prolific Dobranowskis went on in their fields, Alex as record holder in the Ontario Boys' Quadrathlon, and Magda in the OFSAA 50-metre butterfly. Badminton continued its streak with Leslie Hirano and Sam Pyo taking the HWIAC cup. Cayley Conant and Kate Hedges led the girls' volley-



Christopher B. Sherck, BSc, MBA, LLB, Chair

ball to the CISAA trophy, winning the final from TCS, and Tina Vinson took the CISAA golf title.

The other teams performed well, with Melissa Haid leading the fieldhockey, Lindsay Hissink the soccer and Claire Vayalumkal and

Puja Wahi the basketball. Kristina Hassell captained the swimming. On the boys' side, Andrea Federici captained the soccer, Mike Scime the volleyball and Ted Collins the softball. Tim Chen, Chris Hepworth and Dave Raphael led the basketball and James Boughner, Ted Collins, Matt Ross and Adam Spencer the football.

A very active drama season saw *The Odd Couple* and *The Importance of Being Earnest*, and a fine musical, *Anne of Green Gables*. The Juniors produced *Danny Dunne and the Homework Machine*, and the Primary an exceptionally well-received version of *The Tempest*, directed by



Elizabeth Hawkrigg



Kristina  
Hassell



Melissa Haid



Fernanda Guerrero  
Molina



Jan Grzeslo



Russell Newfield  
Retiring



Vicky Cairns  
Interim Head of  
Senior School



Audrey Morgan  
Retiring



Cathy Feltracco  
Retiring



Danny Miller '91  
Alumni President



Joan Gordon  
PA President



Ernest Wong



Rebecca  
Wellum



Chung-Jeh  
Wang



Kristina Vinson



Timothy Spence  
Donegani



Michael Trautmansdorff



Kate Hedges



Lindsay Hissink



Alex  
Hollenberg



Angela Ironberg



Jennifer Kim

Joy Faulknor and Barb Reade. On the music side, the Jazz Band continued its winning ways.

Joan Gordon led an active PA and Danny Miller '91 the Alumni. In the news from the Alumni, Alex Chapple '86 directed Paul Gross in an episode of *Due South*, and married Mala Raynor '87 who was nominated for a Gemini for her production of the CBC's *Deadly Seas*. Jacintha Peeris '83 was reported in the *London Financial Times* for heading her new venture



The new exterior of the Artsplex

capital firm, and Ainsley Vince '96 won gold at the Royal Horse Show's Native Cup.

The year saw long time Head Cleaner, Cathy Feltracco retire, and also Matron/Nurse Audrey Morgan, a popular figure in the Senior School since she took over from Jean Paton. Dave Macdonald who had taken up the revived Development

Directorship also left as did alumna Marlene Line '91 after several good years on the Junior staff.

Bruce Heagle, whose term ended this year, also holds the perspective from the points of view of student, parent and Board Chair. A member of the long-range and strategic planning committees from the early '90s, he saw the finalization of the Master Plan for the school under the new Head, and saw Stage One of the building plan proceed. This stage also included action on the financial sustainability side and the reformulation of the HSC



The new Montessori building during construction

Foundation. From his school days he remembers 'Percy' Waters introducing him to the words 'impertinent', 'impudent', and 'insolent', and many other first rate teachers, and he certainly holds the record as the first board Chair sporting a pony tail!

Entering the final year of the school's centennial, things were rolling right along.



Adam Spencer



Hanna Smith



Michael Scime



Adam  
Schoenborn



Amanda  
Reynolds



Natasha  
Rathbone



David Raphael



Jennifer  
Ramkissoon



Vivek  
Ramakrishnan



Kate Pelton



Lindsay Lawler



William Lazier



Jennifer  
Lecluse



Ki Sang Lee



Andrea Legato



Wei-Yu Lin



Adam Mochrie



Daniel Murphy



Caroline Neate



Patrick  
Newmark



Edward Nolan



Michelle Norris



Caitlin  
O'Connell



Caroline  
Ogilvie



Christopher  
Olutola

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Daniel Coutts  
Head Boy



Claire Vayalumkal  
Head Girl



Soohun Chun  
Gov-Gen. Medalist



Jennie Park  
Birks Medalist



Larissa Nash  
Boar-Pibroch Editor



Morgan Adams



Jennifer Baird



Colleen  
Beauclair



Justin Boyer



Sean Boyer



Andrew Branch



Sarah Cairns



Nicole Casale



Justin Chafe



Jon Chun



Leanne  
Ciancone



Marie Corsini



Matthew  
Coultres



Michael Dean



Ashley Desson



George Farah



Vincent Fazari



Zachary Forster



Gillian Frosst



Sonia Goffin

Head Girl Claire Vayalumkal and Head Boy Daniel Coutts led this year's 62 Grad Class students, and over 1100 students overall, into the College's 100th year.

On all fronts, the school was humming, in the arts, sports and academics. Heather Burbidge and Lia Deans co-chaired the Centennial celebrations that feature a commissioned musical composition, an original overture, by Howard Cable, and numerous special events and publications, including this book.

The high academic standards held fast with Soohun Chun winning the Governor-General's Medal and Jennie Park the Henry Birks Medal.

It was a bumper year in sports with championships

across the schools. From the Girls U10 and U12 Cross-country teams to the Men's and Women's Heavy Eight's rowing teams captained by Issac Howarth and Laura Ann Campbell, the students brought back the ribbons, plaques and cups. Chris Hepworth took the Boys' Volleyball to OFSAA as did Claire Vayalumkal, Puja Wahi and Michelle Hunter in Girls Basketball - right to the Silver Medal. Five individuals went to OFSAA track and field, and the Ladies Doubles in badminton.

In CISAA play, the Grade 6 Girls took both soccer and basketball, the 1st Boys Softball, the Boys U12 basketball, Boys U11 track and field all won their events. No wonder some students felt that sports



Rowing

had taken the school over.

John Beaver directed another memorable theatre season with excellent student performances in *The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie* and *Little Shop of Horrors*. All the schools had great productions in the recently expanded Art-splex theatre.

On the adult side, Nancy McNally led a strong Parents' Association, and Danny Miller continued as Alumni President leading the Association in sup-

porting a \$30,000 addition to the fitness centre. On the alumni front, the *Globe and Mail* reported on a very creative solution to the street people's housing dilemma by John van Nostrand who designed and proposed fully serviced, self-administered, modular mini shelters at a remarkably modest price of \$20,000 each. Alas the modest price might have done in the idea. Bureaucrats look for more expensive solutions, it seems!



Daniel Hwang



Isaac Howarth



Neil Hinsperger



John Hawley



Diana Hammond



Andrew Hall



Timothy Jun



Jane Wightman  
New Staff



Megan Campbell  
New Staff



Kirk DeFazio  
New Staff



Jeanne Bretzler  
Retiring



Bev Ruffo  
Retiring



Maureen McPherson  
Retiring



Dan Miller  
Alumni President



Nancy McNally  
PA President



Caitlin Kennedy



Chandri Khera



Alexis Kostuk



Stephan Kwon



Diana Lam



Adele Lee



Geehae Lee



John Lee



Gregory  
Leshchuk



David May



Daniel  
McBurney



Galen  
McLennan



David  
Mendelson



George Molson



Sarah Mooney



Sharvil  
Nanavati



Eamonn  
O'Connell



Cheryl Anne  
Pine



Jaime Rendell



Karan Puri

Larissa Nash, with a strong team, edited the *Boar-Pibroch* with the important theme of the environment. There seems to be a synergy here with Head Girl Claire's comments quoting Robert Fulghum:

*'When you go out into the world, it is best to hold hands and stick together. I understand Hillfield not only to be an educational institution with an academic focus, but also a healthy environment in which to grow, make friends and face challenges.'*

And that has been the history of the College for a century. The challenges have been war, economic depression, fires, highways and dislocation and not least, acute financial distress. Each has been conquered in turn. In the first year, war and anarchy focussed the mis-

sion. One hundred years later security of the environment is foremost in the minds of the students. Time will see if they and their peers in Canada and the world have been enabled to overcome their challenges. It certainly seems that they have the skills every bit as strong as their predecessors to cope with what challenges will arise, at the College, in the country and globally.

John Collinson wrote in 1903: *Twenty Years hence, when many of those whose the names are found on these pages are doing something in the world worthy of their early training, with what added interest will*



Lia Dean  
Centennial Chair



Heather Burbidge  
Centennial Chair



Jay Parry: Our friend and teacher... she will be missed

*one scan these pages to learn what manner of boys they were.'*

We have looked back not twenty, but 100 years, to both boys and girls. We have seen and read of what manner of students they were, and what manner of people guided the

schools and taught them. Have they done something 'worthy of their early training? Something of which we can all be justly proud?'

Indeed.



### Senior Girls Basketball Champs

Back row: Mr. Tom Stanton, Chandri Khera, Puja Wahi, Michelle Hunter, Leah Mochrie, Sara Green, Lisa Kalbfleisch, Caitlin Kennedy, Mrs. Christine Ellis  
Front row: Ben Brott, Lauren Jackson, Angela Lachowski, Vanessa Norris, Katie Baines, Claire Vayalunkal, Steve Kulakowsky



### Under 12 Girls Soccer Champs

Back row: Mrs. Rocca, Lauren Day, Jennifer Holton, Camille West, Sajni Khera, Erica Otaguro, Linda Suleiman, Claire Leyland, Emily Wong  
Front row: Elyse Heagle, Shireen Yusuf, Anne-Clemence Camus, Caroline Tarnan, Julia Kulikowski, Jennifer Ormond, Erica Fracassi



Zoë Zwolak



Lauren Williams



Connor Warrington



Puja Wahi



Sydney Vince



Adam  
Tenaschuk



Cameron  
Sterrett



Adam Singer



Michael  
Shaver



Matthew Ross



Zachary Rip

# Appendices

## VISITOR

1957-68-The Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey

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1981-Present- Mr. Michael DeGroot Sr.  
1994-Present- Sir Edwin Leather  
1978 -Present- The Hon. Colin S. Lazier

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Mr. & Mrs. St. Clair Balfour  
Mr. Leo Barnett  
Mr. C. Harry Boothe  
Sir George McLaren Brown  
Mr. Walter S. Burrill  
Gen. Harry D.G. Crerar  
Mr. Ralph L. Dame  
Mrs. C. M. Doolittle  
Mr. & Mrs. Gordon C. Ferrie  
Mrs. Flora Frid  
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Mr. Argue Martin



Board Chairs, 1929-1950  
S.W.C. Scott, R.L. Dame, H.S. Ambrose, A.F. Killip, St.Clair Balfour, H.K. Wood

Mrs. R. P. McBride  
Major-Gen. The Hon. S. C. Mewburn  
Mrs. I. Olmsted  
The Most Rev. Derwyn T. Owen  
Mr. Frank H. Sherman  
Mr. G.E.F. Smith  
Mr. Frederick N. Southam  
Dr. Clement H. Stearn  
Mr. Harry G. Thode  
Mrs. Victor Vallance  
Mrs. C. S. Wilcox  
Mr. A. V. Young

## CHAIRMEN OF THE BOARD

**Highfield**  
1901-19-Col. The Hon. Sir John S. Hendrie, KCMG, CVO  
**Hillcrest**  
1920-29-Mr. E. Kirwan C. Martin  
**Hillfield**  
1929-36-Mr. Howard S. Ambrose  
1936-41-Mr. St. Clair Balfour  
1941-44-Mr. S.W. Cheever Scott '05  
1944-46-Mr. Ralph L. Dame  
1946-50-Mr. H.K. Wood, OBE, MC  
1950-51-Dr. Clement H. Stearn  
1951-53-Mr. William G. Braden '29  
1953-54-Mr. Col. F.C. Thomson '11 MC  
1954-56-Mr. William R. Barnes '19  
1956-58-Cdr. George H. Parke '35, CD  
1958-60-Cdr. Colin S. Glassco '19  
1960-62-Mr. William V. Holton '27  
**Strathallan**  
1923-40-Col. The Hon. Colin W.G. Gibson, MC  
1940-46-Mr. Walter S. Burrill

1946-49-Mr. Thomas Peacock, OBE  
1949-52-Mr. St. Clair Balfour, Jr., DSC  
1952-54-Mr. Charles G. Pirie  
1954-56-Mr. James R. Langs  
1956-58-Mr. Cecil W. Robinson  
1958-60-Mr. David C. Barber  
1960-62-Mr. William V. Holton '27  
**Hillfield-Strathallan College**  
1962-64-Mr. William H. Young '35  
1964-65-Dr. Hugo T. Ewart  
1965-66-Mr. Gordon B. Hamilton '36  
1966-67-Mr. Colin S. Lazier '35  
1967-69-Mr. Campbell V.B. Corbet  
1969-71-Mr. A. Ralph W. McKay '36  
1971-73-Mr. Roy D. Robertson

1973-75-Mr. J. Ben Simpson '41  
1975-77-Mr. Colin D. Campbell  
1977-79-Mr. Doug E. Heagle  
1979-81-Dr. Leila Ryan  
1981-83-Mr. Charles C. Holton '40  
1983-85-Dr. John I. Frid  
1985-87-Mr. Robert G. Forsythe  
1987-89-Mr. James D. McKeon  
1989-91-Mr. Graham R. Hill  
1991-93-Mr. William E. Holton '58  
1993-95-Mr. Basil Gillyatt  
1995-97-Suzanne Shulman  
1997-99-Mr. Bruce D. Heagle '76  
1999-01-Mr. Chris Sherk

## HEADMASTERS

**Highfield**  
1901-19-Mr. John H. Collinson  
**Hillcrest**  
1920-29-The Rev. Cecil A. Heaven  
**Hillfield**  
1929-50-Mr. Arthur F. Killip  
1950-69-Lt.-Col. John P. Page  
**Hillfield-Strathallan College**  
1969-95-Mr. M. Barrett Wansbrough  
1995-Present-Mr. William S. Boyer



Three Heads:  
Bill Boyer, John Page, Barry Wansbrough

## HEADMISTRESSES

**Strathallan**  
1923-48-Miss Janet Virtue  
1923-48-Miss Eileen Fitzgerald  
1948-50-Miss Evelyn M. Mills, OBE  
1950-57-Miss Elsie M. Bartlett  
1957-62-Miss Hilda M. Pearce  
1962-68-Mrs. Kathleen Bruce

1968-70-Mrs. Audrey G. Southam

## ASST. HEADMASTERS

1968-71, 1973-75- Cmdre. P.D. Taylor  
1971-73- Mr. A. J. Francis  
1975-83- Mr. Michael Loranger

## DIRECTOR OF RENEWAL

1983-91- Michaelae Robertson

## ACADEMIC DIRECTORS

1991-95- Michaelae Robertson  
1995-Present-Mrs. Brenda Zwolak

## HEADS OF SCHOOL - SENIOR

1952-55, 58-64, 66-71-Mr. Geoffrey Steel  
1970 -71-Mrs. Audrey Southam  
1983 -84- Michaelae (Callaghan) Robertson  
1983-89-Mrs. Cathy Innis  
1983 -93-Mr. Bryan Wylie  
1993 -99-Mr. Mark Hudson  
1999-00-Mrs. Vicky Cairns (Interim)  
2000-Present-Mrs. Jane Wightman

## DEAN OF WOMEN - SENIOR

1970-72-Mrs. Audrey Southam  
1972-76-Mrs. Ginette Jeeves  
1976-83-Michaelae (Callaghan) Robertson  
1987-91-Mrs. Ceceila Carter-Smith

## DEAN OF STUDENTS - SENIOR

2000-Present-Mrs. Vicky Cairns

## HEADS OF SCHOOL - JUNIOR

1952-55-Mr. J. Frederic Butler  
1955-61-Mr. Richard B. Gilman  
1961-62-Mr. J.G. Gordon  
1962-70-Mr. Stuart Waters  
1967-81-Mrs. Toni LeRoy  
1970-85-Mr. Tom MacKain  
1985-95-Mrs. Brenda Zwolak  
1995-96-Mrs. Cecila Carter-Smith (Interim)  
1996-99-Mr. Rick Stockdale  
1999-00-Mr. Stuart Grainger  
2000-Present-Mr. Rob Reiner

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## DEAN OF STUDENTS - JUNIOR

1981-85-Mrs. Brenda Zwolak  
1999-Present-Mr. Rick Stockdale

## HEADS OF SCHOOL - PRIMARY

1945-47-Miss Ryerse  
1947-50-Mrs. G.A. Menger  
1950-54-Miss Millen  
1953-56-Miss Turner  
1954-62-Miss Winnifred Lowndes  
1962-68-Mrs. Edith Hicks  
1967-69-Mrs. Alexia Newey  
1967-77-Mrs. Liz Currier  
1977-94-Mr. Noel Spratt  
1994-96-Mr. Ray Marks  
1996-Present-Mrs. Barbara Lazier

## HEADS OF SCHOOL - MONTESSORI

1968-71-Miss Eiblis (O'Brien-Revelle) Evans  
1971-72-Miss Joyce Bobb-Innis  
1973-Present-Ms. Dianne De Freitas

## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESIDENTS

### HIGHFIELD

1907-08-Mr. S. Warren Cheever Scott  
1908-10-Mr. R.R. MacDonald

### HILLCREST

1924-25-Mr. Hamilton Boyd

### HILLFIELD

1933-34-Mr. Charles Lenz  
1934-35-Mr. Howard Binkley  
1935-37-Mr. Burke Robertson  
1937-39-Mr. Bing Kelley  
1939-41-Mr. John Levy  
1941-46-ASSOCIATION PUT ON HOLD DURING THE WAR  
1946-47-Mr. Bing Kelley  
1947-48-Mr. George H. Parke  
1948-49-Mr. David Ker  
1949-50-Mr. Colin S. Lazier  
1950-51-Mr. J. Alder Bliss  
1951-52-Mr. John Crerar  
1952-53-Mr. J. Ben Simpson  
1953-54-Mr. Colin Gibson  
1954-55-Mr. Herb Ingraham  
1955-56-Mr. William Balfour  
1956-57-Mr. John G. Langs  
1957-58-Mr. Walter Thomson  
1958-59-Mr. James G. Langs Jr.  
1959-61-Mr. Colin Freil

1961-62-Mr. Hugh J. Murray  
1962-63-Mr. Jim J. Evel  
1963-64-UNKNOWN  
1964-65-Mr. Jim J. Evel  
1965-69-UNKNOWN  
1969-70-Mr. Colin Rayner



From *The Hamilton Spectator*: Members of the Old Girls' Association of Strathallan School were charming hostesses last evening after the annual meeting of the school. Pouring coffee during the refreshment hour which followed the business session was Mrs. Spence A. Allan; and standing are shown Misses Yvonne Dunlop, Nancy Morison, Suzanne Young, Joan Peat and Mrs. Trumbull Warren. Mrs. Warren convened the social part of the evening.

## STRATHALLAN

1932-33-Mrs. Betty (Moore) Kenney  
1933-34-Mrs. Holly (Stitt) Maw  
1934-35-Miss Marnie Bruce  
1935-36-Miss Mona Carswell  
1936-38-Miss Monnie Moncur  
1938-40-Mrs. Mary Vallance  
1940-41-UNKNOWN  
1941-42-Mrs. Helen Evans  
1942-43-UNKNOWN  
1943-44-Mrs. Fannie Hamilton  
1944-45-Mrs. Betty Greene  
1945-46-Mrs. H. A. Hatch  
1946-48-Mrs. Mary Vallance  
1948-50-Mrs. Patricia Kelley

1950-51-Mrs. Patricia (Roberts) Nicholas  
1951-53-Mrs. Elizabeth Mills  
1953-55-Mrs. Margaret Sullivan  
1955-56-Mrs. Mary Proctor  
1956-58-Mrs. Mary Warren  
1958-60-Mrs. Elizabeth McKay  
1960-62-Mrs. Mary Bliss  
1962-64-Mrs. Joyce Young  
1964-66-Mrs. Joan Gallagher  
1966-68-Mrs. Gail Wilkinson  
1968-70-Mrs. Myrna Weaver Evel  
**HILLFIELD-STRATHALLAN COLLEGE**  
1970-71-Mrs. Lois (Unsworth) Reynolds  
1971-72-Mrs. Pat Haynes  
1972-73-Mr. Dan Hardie  
1973-75-Mr. Bob McMurrich  
1975-76-UNKNOWN  
1976-77-Mrs. Penny Steele  
1977-79-Mrs. Barbara (Jennings)Lazier  
1979-81-Mr. John Simpson  
1981-83-Mr. John Hedden  
1983-85-Mr. Mike Johnson  
1985-86-Mr. Mike Krupansky  
1986-88-Mr. Peter Steel  
1988-90-Miss Jennifer Dent  
1990-91-Mr. Ian D.S. Campbell  
1991-93-Miss Shirley Thomas  
1993-95-Mr. Murray Weaver  
1995-97-Mr. Dan Polos  
1997-98-Mr. Rob Alexander  
1998-99-Mr. Stephen Jennings  
1999-Present-Mr. Dan Miller

## PARENTS' ASSOCIATION PRESIDENTS HILLFIELD

1949-50-Mrs. Margaret Murgatroyd  
1950-51-Mrs. Aldyth Garrow  
1951-52-Mrs. A.G.O. Bahr  
1952-53-Mrs. Helen Fleming  
1953-54-Mrs. C.H. Jaimet  
1954-55-Mrs. McNaim  
1955-56-Mrs. Joan Braden  
1956-57-Mrs. W.R. Webster  
1957-58-Mrs. Margaret Ewart  
1958-59-Mrs. Trixie Sherman  
1959-60-Mrs. Elsa Elwell  
1960-61-Mrs. Joan Clark  
1961-63-Mrs. Barbara Evans  
1963-65-Mrs. W.S. Balfour

1965-67-Mrs. Tussa Surma-Sulkowski  
1967-68-Mrs. Alastair Smith  
1968-70-Mrs. Helen Simpson

## STRATHALLAN

1949-52-Mrs. Isobel Chisholm  
1952-54-Mrs. Mary Proctor  
1954-56-Mrs. Ruth McQuaig  
1956-57-Mrs. Sheila Nichols  
1957-59-Mrs. Betty Jaimet  
1959-61-Mrs. Phyllis Wilkinson  
1961-62-Mrs. Rachel van Nostrand  
1962-64-Mrs. Beth Isbister  
1964-66-Mrs. June Ogden  
1966-68-Mrs. Elizabeth Parry  
1968-70-Mrs. Joanna Dalley

## HILLFIELD-STRATHALLAN COLLEGE

1970-72-Mrs. Margaret Jacques  
1972-74-Mrs. Mary McCullough  
1974-76-Mrs. Sandra Allan  
1976-77-Mrs. Catherine Garwood-Jones  
1977-78-Mrs. Kay Durran  
1978-79-Mrs. Marlene Jacques  
1979-80-Mrs. Peggy Nutley  
1980-81-Mrs. Sandy Rumsey  
1981-82-Mrs. Sue Scott  
1982-83-Mrs. Linda Hamett  
1983-84-Mrs. Zena Gordon  
1984-85-Mrs. Donna Baillie  
1985-86-Mrs. Cathy Wigle  
1986-87-Mrs. Marsha Kaiman  
1987-88-Mrs. Hilda Line  
1988-89-Mrs. Mary Lou Ciancone  
1989-90-Mrs. Gail Vedelago  
1990-91-Mrs. Lynn Vallilée  
1991-92-Mrs. Patricia Green  
1992-93-Mrs. Mirella Paletta  
1993-94-Mrs. Debbie Chafe  
1994-95-Mrs. Lynn Davies  
1995-96-Mrs. Lia Dean  
1996-97-Mrs. Heather Burdidge  
1997-98-Mrs. Judy Adams  
1998-99-Mrs. Madga Doris  
1999-00-Mrs. Joan Gordon  
2000-01-Mrs. Nancy McNally  
2001-02-Mrs. Laura Khurana

# Appendices

## BUILDERS OF HSC

### INDUCTED IN 1986

Mr. Howard S. Ambrose  
Mrs. St.Clair Balfour  
Miss Alice Burton  
Mr. John H. Collinson  
Miss Joanna Lindsay Dalley  
Mr. Michael G. DeGroot  
Dofasco Inc.  
Mrs. Mary Ker Earnshaw  
Miss Eileen Fitzgerald  
Mrs. Flora Frid  
Mrs. Colin Gibson  
Col. The Hon. Colin Gibson  
Miss Edith Grinstead  
The Rev. Cecil A. Heaven  
Col. The Hon. Sir John S. Hendrie  
Mrs. William Hendrie  
Mr. William V. Holton  
Mr. Arthur F. Killip  
Miss Alice Bell Robertson  
Mr. Michael W. Taylor  
Miss Janet Virtue  
Mrs. C.S. Wilcox  
Mr. Joyce Young

### INDUCTED IN 1987

Mr. Colin S. Glassco  
Mr. Gordon B. Hamilton  
Mrs. Mary Wigle Warren  
Mrs. Hilda M. Pearce  
Col. John P. Page  
Mr. Geoffrey G. Steel  
Mrs. Barbara Goldblatt  
Mrs. Sondra Goldblatt  
The Malloch Foundation  
Lillian & Leroy Page Foundation

### INDUCTED IN 1988

Mr. Walter S. Burrill  
Mr. Colin D. Campbell  
Dr. Hugo T. Ewart, MD  
The Lawson Foundation  
The Hon. Colin S. Lazier  
Mr. Luke H. LeRoy

### INDUCTED IN 1989

Mr. St. Clair Balfour  
J.P. Bickell Foundation  
Mr. J. Frederic Butler  
Mr. Campbell V.B. Corbet  
Mr. Fenner F. Dalley



Builders of HSC 1986

Back row: Mary Ker Earnshaw, Wilson Balfour Baxter, Betty Hendrie Aikenhead, John Hendrie, Ken Frid, Kerr Gibson

Middle row: Mike DeGroot, The Reverend Ted Heaven, Colin Gibson, Bill Young, Elaine Holton, Stephen Ambrose

Front row: Mike Taylor, Doris Taylor, Gordon Collinson, Lallie Robertson, Fenner Dalley

Mr. Frederick O. Martin  
Mrs. Mary (Moodie) Proctor  
Mr. Roy D. Robertson  
Mr. S.W.C. Scott  
Mr. Philip M. Spicer

### INDUCTED IN 1990

Mrs. Myrna Weaver Evel  
Mrs. Marlene Jacques  
Mrs. Toni LeRoy  
Mr. E. Kirwan C. Martin  
Mr. A. Ralph W. McKay  
Mr. George H. Parke  
Mr. Stuart Waters

### INDUCTED IN 1992

Mr. St. Clair Balfour  
Mr. Ian C. Campbell  
Mrs. Elizabeth Currier  
Mr. Ralph L. Dame  
Mrs. Kathleen Luchak  
Mrs. Cecile Schreiber  
Mr. J. Ben Simpson  
Mrs. Audrey Goodwin Southam

Mr. H. Kenneth Wood

### INDUCTED IN 1994

Mrs. Donna Baillie  
Mr. Hugh T. Brown  
Mr. James. R. A. Langs  
Mrs. Alexia Newey  
Mr. Thomas P. Peacock, OBE  
Cdr. Sam F. Ross  
Dr. Leila W.M. Ryan  
Dr. Clement H. Stearn  
Mr. W. Norman Thomson

### INDUCTED IN 1996

R. Samuel McLaughlin Foundation  
Mr. Charles C. Holton  
Mr. Larry Paikin  
Mrs. Susan Scott  
Mr. M. B.(Barry) Wansbrough

### INDUCTED IN 1998

Mrs. Marie Boers  
Mr. Ross Dixon  
Mr. Ted Helwig  
Mrs. Hilda Line  
Dr. Sumi Peeris

### INDUCTED IN 2000

Mr. Peter Bradley  
Mr. & Mrs. Tony & Lee DePasquale  
Mr. Peter Foster  
Mrs. H.B. Greening  
Mrs. Pauline Jones  
Mr. & Mrs. Richard & Rhonda Kostuk

## STAFF WITH 25 YEAR SERVICE

1910-38-Miss Alice Burton  
1923-48-Miss Janet Virtue  
1923-48-Miss Eileen Fitzgerald  
1923-51-Miss Eleanor Fiennes-Clinton  
1923-66-Miss Edith Grinstead  
1929-66-Mr. J. Frederic Butler  
1929-62-Mrs. Joey Butler  
1947-84-Mr. Geoff Steel  
1949-74-Mrs. Hannah McDermott  
1957-83-Mrs. Alexia Newey  
1957-82-Mrs. Toni LeRoy  
1958-89-Mrs. Pauline Jones  
1961-87-Mr. Hugh Brown  
1962-95-Mr. Peter Bradley  
1963-93-Mr. Ted Helwig  
1963-88-Mrs. Jean Paton  
1966-94-Mrs. Maria Cseresnyes

1966-93-Mrs. Gina Walker

1969-95-Mr. M. B. (Barry) Wansbrough  
1969-present-Mr. Bryan Wylie  
1971-Present-Ms. Dianne de Freitas  
1972-present-Mr. John Kersley  
1972-present-Mr. Peter Annable  
1972-99-Mrs. Betty Barham  
1972-98-Mr. Sandy Sanderson  
1973-present-Mrs. Catherine Innes  
1973-present-Mr. Noel Spratt  
1973-present-Mrs. Brenda Zwolak  
1974-2001-Mrs. Bev Ruffo  
1974-99-Mr. Andy Philpot  
1974-99-Mrs. Kay Frank  
1975-present-Mr. Ray Marks  
1975-00-Mrs. Jay Parry  
1975-present-Mrs. Patricia Ryckman-Fleming  
1976-present-Mrs. Pam Atkinson  
1976-present-Mr. Brett Dalton  
1976-present-Mrs. Blanka Guyatt

## HEAD BOY

1906-07-Norman S. Caudwell  
1913-14-Doug G. Robertson  
1914-15-R. Leighton Ferrie  
1915-16-Tom F. McIlwraith  
1916-17-Stuart L. MacDonald  
1917-18-Alan S. Bell  
1918-19-Adam Hartley Zimmerman  
1919-20-James Smith  
1920-21-George E. Donald  
1921-22-Geoff E.F. Smith Jr.  
1922-23-Donald H. Henderson  
1923-24-Phillip B.F. Smith  
1924-25-E. Bernard Heaven  
1925-26-Hubert Martin  
1926-27-John M. Constable  
1927-28-J.Wally McNichol  
1928-29-H. Rice  
1929-30-George S. Levy/Edmund Tew  
1930-31-Bob Christie  
1931-32-Howard G Binkley  
1932-33-Tom E. Langs  
1933-35-John Levy  
1935-36-George H Parke  
1936-37-David I. Ker  
1937-39-John C. Beveridge  
1939-40-Bill M. Hatch  
1940-41-J.Kerr Gibson

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1941-42-Ralph E. Ingraham  
1942-43-Harold Parke  
1943-44-Andrew G. McLaughlin  
1944-45-Donald Hamilton  
1945-46-Dick M. Wood  
1946-47-F.A. Hale  
1947-48-F. Jack Nightscales  
1948-49-Harry B. Greening  
1949-50-Ken G. Brown  
1950-51-James W. Garrow  
1951-52-Brian K. Wright  
1952-54-Ian M. Cameron  
1954-55-Bill Barnes  
1955-56-D.M. Stewart  
1956-57-D.H. Ward  
1957-58-Gerald C.V. Wright  
1958-59-L.P. Stolman  
1959-60-A.K. Hannaford  
1960-61-John H. Mason  
1961-62-Derwyn J. Sangster  
1962-63-Richard Clark  
1963-64-Tim Peacock  
1964-65-Bob Thompson  
1965-66-Ron Bremner  
1966-67-H.Deane Ewart  
1967-68-Bob McMurrich  
1968-69-Mike Steel  
1969-70-David Ellis  
1970-71-Danny Polos  
1971-72-David Mills  
1972-73-Peter Robertson  
1973-74-Bob Howard  
1974-75-Duncan Fraser  
1975-76-Peter Sephton  
1976-77-Andrew Brown  
1977-78-Tim McLaughlin  
1978-79-Chris West  
1979-80-Jeff Paikin  
1980-81-Stephen Abraham  
1981-82-Bruce Simpson  
1982-83-Jim Kajiura  
1983-84-George Hampson  
1984-85-Paul Falco/Graham W. Line  
1985-86-Ian Wilms  
1986-87-Martin Johnson  
1987-88-Mark Hunter  
1988-89-Rob Alexander  
1989-90-Scott Islip  
1990-91-Rod Gillyatt

1991-92-Richard Line  
1992-93-Rob O'Brien  
1993-94-Coll Gordon  
1994-95-Mohamed Panju  
1995-96-Beau Romand  
1996-97-Ian McDougall  
1997-98-Andrew Parry  
1998-99-Jim Zwolak  
1999-00-Jesse Campling  
2000-01-Daniel Coutts

## HEAD GIRL

1928-29- Katharine Walker  
1929-30- Betty Greene  
1930-33-UNKNOWN  
1933-34- Fannie Hamilton  
1934-35- Barbara Malcolm  
1935-36-Cicely Zimmerman  
1936-37-Barbara Martin  
1937-38-Babs Young  
1938-39-Sydney Thompson  
1939-40-Yolande Powell  
1940-41-Mary Ker  
1941-42-Shirley Brown  
1942-43-Joyce Ferrie  
1943-44-Jayne Thurstons  
1944-45-Marnie Gilmour  
1945-46-Gloria McKay  
1946-47-Margaret Souter  
1947-48-Bengie Ellis  
1948-49-Joan Rumney  
1949-50-Beverly White  
1950-51-Jane Griffin  
1951-52-Eve Thomson  
1952-53-Sandra Morris  
1953-54-Barbara (Barnett) Allan  
1954-55-Angela Frost  
1955-56-Sally Raine  
1956-57-Jane Milne  
1957-58-Anna Lambe  
1958-59-Marnie Champ  
1959-60-Sheila Russell  
1960-61-Joyce Reynolds  
1961-62-Virginia Campbells  
1962-63-Margot Miller  
1963-64-Sarah Nixon  
1964-65-Linda Jackson  
1965-66-Jane Baillie  
1966-67-Ann Harrison

1967-68-Lyn (Parry) Beattie  
1968-69-Barbara Stewart  
1969-70-Frances Hendrie  
1970-71-Karen Goldblatt  
1971-72-Mary Isbister  
1972-73-Cynthia (Gould) Grant  
1973-74-Lorrie Carson  
1974-75-Alix Harstone  
1975-76-Karen Long  
1976-77-Anne-Marie Hourigan  
1977-78-Cathy Ryan  
1978-79-Susan Helwig  
1979-80-Vivian Yard  
1980-81-Tricia de Jong  
1981-82-Elizabeth Falco  
1982-83-Shirley Thomas  
1983-84-Paula Dupuy  
1984-85-Julie Schatz  
1985-86-Alison Garwood-Jones  
1986-87-Patricia Marriot  
1987-88-Nicola Gillyatt  
1988-89-Serena Lowartz  
1989-90-Avonwy Peters  
1990-91-Heather Flett  
1991-92-Clare Hargreave  
1992-93-Maria Gacesa  
1993-94-Pauline Rosenbaum  
1994-95-Sarah Kim  
1995-96-Andrea Gede-Lange  
1996-97-Gita Wahi  
1997-98-Meghan Ogilvie  
1998-99-Lindsay Walker  
1999-00-Stacy Deniz  
2000-01-Claire Vayalumkal

## GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S & BIRKS MEDALIST HIGHFIELD

1909-10-Norman Y. Bartlett  
1910-11-Francis M. Gibson  
1911-12-Walter F. Clarke  
1912-13-Henri De L. Panet  
1913-14-Doug G. Robertson  
1914-15-R. Leighton Ferrie  
1915-16-Tom F. McIlwraith  
1916-17-Stuart L. MacDonald  
1917-18-Alan S. Bell  
1918-19-Adam Hartley Zimmerman

## HILLCREST

1919-20-James Smith  
1920-21-George E. Donald  
1921-22-Geoff E.F. Smith Jr.  
1922-23-Donald H. Henderson  
1923-24-Philip B. F. Smith  
1924-25-E. Bernard Heaven  
1925-26-Hubert Martin  
1926-27-John M. Constable  
1927-28-Wally McNichol  
1928-29-H. Rice

## HILLFIELD

1929-30-George S. Levy  
1930-31-Bob Christie  
1931-32-Howard G. Binkley  
1932-33-Tom E. Langs  
1933-34-John G. Levy/Margaret Johnson  
1934-35-Bill H. Young/Barbara Carswell  
1935-36-George H. Parke  
1936-37-David I. Ker/Barbara Martin  
1937-38-Phyllis Millen  
1937-39-John C. Beveridge  
1938-39-Mary McEwen  
1939-40-Dennis R. Mett  
1940-41-J. Kerr Gibson/Joan Nicholson  
1941-42-J. Peter Foster/Harold H. Waterman/Ruth Keays  
1942-43-Harold Parke/Elizabeth Balfour  
1943-44-Peter J. Ferres  
1944-45-Donald R. Hamilton/Marnie Gilmour  
1945-46-Dick Wood/Elizabeth Main  
1946-47-Tony Butler/Alison Farmer



*The Woodwind Ensemble*  
Back row: Simali Garach, Fiona Malcolm-Davis, Sarah Chapple, Karen Deme, Rebecca Laposa, Veera Rastogi, Sheila Singh, Nina deVilliers  
Front row: Jodie Wong, Sara Copley, Avonwy Peters

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1947-48-F. Jack Nightscapes/Elaine Lewin  
1948-49-Harry B. Greening  
1949-50-George W. House  
1950-51-James W. Garrow/Judy Butler  
1951-54-Ian M. Cameron  
1953-54-Angela Frost

1954-55-Bill Barnes  
1955-56-Robert C. Lee/Jennifer Horlock  
1956-57-H. Duncan McLaren/Jane Milne  
1957-58-Gerald C. V. Wright/Gail Whitaker  
1958-59-C. Kip Hunter/Sheila Russell  
1959-60-R.G. Hamish Robertson/Gail Erick  
1960-61-John H. Mason/Judy Ward  
1961-62-Derwyn J. Sangster  
1962-63-Richard J. Clark  
1963-64-George C. Glover/Mary Balfour  
1964-65-Rob M. Ewart/Toni Rice  
1965-66-Kip Sumner/Joan Thomson  
1966-67-David Fischer/Jane Snedden  
1967-68-Ian R. Hendrie/Rosemary Horacek  
1968-69-Clifton W. Farrell/Barbara Stewart  
1969-70-Grant R. Guenther/Donna Carson  
1970-71-Alan P. Hudak/Diane Walker

## HILLFIELD-STRATHALLAN

1971-72-David G. Mills/Brigita Gravitis  
1972-73-D. Jamie Ker/Suzanne Harris  
1973-74-Fred S. Balfour/Georgia Guenther  
1974-75-Peter G. Steel/Robin Campbell  
1975-76-Chun-Tung (Mickey) Lo/Denise Hourigan  
1976-77-James Shaver/Anne Marie Hourigan  
1977-78-David Welbourn/Musan Jones  
1978-79-Martin Zack/Lina Lee  
1979-80-David Salmon/Jennifer Schatz  
1980-81-Alex Winche/Gill Morton  
1981-82-Chris Marriott/Daniella Hourigan  
1982-83-Rob Muir/Sarah Garside  
1983-84-Mike Marriott/Paula Dupuy  
1984-85-Nick Werstiuk/Karen Hanson  
1985-86-Allison Garwood-Jones/Aroop Rastogi  
1986-87-Hansa Bhargava/Nick Grant  
1987-88-Julie Rosenthal/Adrian Lee  
1988-89-Rupert Gordon  
1989-90-Alexander Lee/Sheila Singh  
1990-91-Raja S. Bobba/Jessica Laposa/Ellen Sealey  
1991-92-Zubin Punthakee/Cynthia Chung  
1992-93-Etienne de Villiers/Hannah Stott  
1993-94-Joseph Vayalumkal/Pauline Rosenbaum  
1994-95-Jeremy Wood/Sarah Kim

1995-96-Chris Chan/Allison Newlands  
1996-97-Robert Mayer/Nancy Ma  
1997-98-Lawrence Scott/Mara Sobel  
1998-99-Mark Colarusso/Soojin Chun  
1999-00-Dilan Dissanayake/Cherie Gyorffy

## HSC SILVER PIN

### 1984

Ria Brockhaus; Paula Dupuy; Margaret Holton; Michael Marriott

### 1985

Julia Schatz; Miranda Werstiuk; Tanya Smith

### 1986

Alison Garwood-Jones; Matthew Luchak; Elizabeth Small; Peta Gillyatt;  
Hilary Marriott; Gillian Tooke

### 1987

Nicholas Grant; Chris Jackson; Patricia Marriott; Nicola Moore; Patricia  
Holton; Stacey Kraftcheck; Lawrence McKeon

### 1988

Nicola Gillyatt; Susan McShane; Catherine Salmon; Adrian Lee; Julia  
Rosenthal; Rupert Gordon

### 1989

Brandon Bergie; Justine Fedak; Roderick Grant; Nina de Villiers; Chris  
Forrest; Valerie Harnett; Lindsay Hill; Rebecca Laposa; Janet Moore;  
Donald Williamson; Grace Kim; Jonathan Menon; Avonwy Peters

### 1993-94

Brian Chen; Natalie Chung; Jim Elson; Dana French; Julia Guyatt;  
Stephen Hayman; Flora Huang; Jenny Hwang; Judith Laposa; David  
Marks; Joanna McCabe; Caralie Peters; Jason Pratt; Christine Romeo

### 1994-95

Carlos Haridas; Sandra Janosik; Matthew Jiggins; Amina Khambalia;  
Sarah Kim; Alexandra Knoepfli; Justin Kominar; Catherine Lambert;  
Emma Packham; Elena Paletta; Xerxes Punthakee; Sara Rankin; Alanna  
Rondi; Sarah Stewart; Jeremie Wood

### 1995-96

Mira Campbell; Jeremy Drumm; Tim Ferris; Andrea Gede-Lange; Mindy  
Hubbard; Leslie Hudson; Mary Catherine Jacks; Anders Knudsen; Sonia  
Lapinsky; Richard Mayer; Jordan Sobel; Michael Spratt

### 1996-97

Adrianne Adair; Stephen Atkinson; Mandy Chen; Angus Gordon;  
Andrew Hammond; Charlotte Klein; Colin Lazier; Simon Lebrun; Nancy  
Ma; Nora Nolan; Andrew Parry; Gita Wahi; Louise Waterfall; Jeff Wilkin-  
son

### 1997-98

Beverly Chan; Simon Cott; Laurie Hudson; Charlotte Jacklein; Jonathan  
Lau; Laurence Scott; Jonathan Spratt; Timothy Wood; Joel Woodley-  
Cook

### 1998-99

Michael Branch; Jesse Campling; Sohoon Chun; Vince Fazari; Jennifer  
Hughes; James McBurney; Jeffrey Pine; Amanda Reynolds; James

Stewart; Jonathan Mahn; Philip Vayalumkal; Tina Vinson; Lindsay Walk-  
er; Jim Zwolak

### 1999-00

Sean Adams; Tim Chen; Marc Colangelo; Stacy Deniz; Alanna  
Desrochers; Cherie Gyorffy; Diana Hammond; Jennifer Lecluse; Caitlin  
O'Connell; Vivek Ramakrishnan; David Raphael; Claire Vayamukal

## HSC GOLD PIN

### 1991-92

Etienne de Villiers; Anne Guyatt; Zubin Punthakee

### 1993-94

Pauline Rosenbaum

### 1994-95

Else Knudsen

### 1996-97

Xerxes Punthakee

### 1998-99

Timothy Wood

### 2000-01

Vince Fazari

## HIGHFIELD YEARBOOK EDITORS

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1923-24-Margaret Johnson

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1929-33-Howard Binkley

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1933-34-Walter Burritt/Marjorie Taylor  
1934-35-Fred Ker/Elizabeth Nicholson  
1935-36-John Barr/Margaret Simpson  
1936-37-David Ker/Sheila Sprague  
1937-38-John Callaghan/Jane Holton  
1938-39-John Callaghan/Layne Coyne  
1939-40-William Hatch/Leith Harding  
1940-41-Harold Waterman  
1941-42-Dayton Forman/Jacqueline Eames  
1942-43-James Reid/Elizabeth Balfour  
1943-44-Thomas Crerar/Johann Keays  
1944-45-Richard Wood/Willa Ruth Harwood  
1945-46-Bruce Bates/Elizabeth Main  
1946-47-Bruce Bates/Alison Farmer  
1947-48-Stanley Hall/Joan Kelday  
1948-49-Donald Mann/Barbara Elliot  
1949-50-Kenneth Brown/Jane Griffin  
1950-51-James Garrow/Joan Thoburn  
1951-52-Ian Cameron/Eve Thompson/Sandra Morris/Elizabeth Beaton  
1952-53-Ian Cameron/Sandra Morris/Mary Baillie/Elizabeth Beaton  
1953-54-Ian Cameron/Betty Haswell/Barb Barnett/Joan  
Turner/Elizabeth Beaton  
1954-55-John Evans/Betty Haswell/Angela Frost/Joan  
Turner/Lisa Balfour  
1955-56-Robert Lee/Anna Lambe/Claudette Milmine/Sheila Russell  
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Back row: Bob Douglas, Ken Nordoff, John Baker, Doug Hatch, Kathy Vickers, Bob Patterson, Marge McCormick, Kristina  
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Front row: Charlie Gibbs, Shirley Walker, Vickie Farthing, Sheila Land, Jennifer Tardelli, Shari Connolly, Bruce McPhee

# Appendices

1957-58-Gerald Wright/Sheila Wright/Karen Howard/Judy Ward  
 1958-59-Hamish Robertson/Sheila Russell/Gail Erlick/Virginia Campbell  
 1959-60-Derwyn Sangster/Judy Ward/Virginia Campbell  
 1960-61-Derwyn Sangster/Judy Ward/Virginia Campbell/ Anne McNichol/Patricia Murphy  
 1961-62-Michael Smedley/Patricia Murphy  
 1962-63-Michael Smedley/Suzanne Hinnells  
 1963-64-Michael Smedley/Mary Balfour/Sarah Nixon  
 1964-65-Andreas Surma-Sulkowski/Frances O'Flynn  
 1965-66-Marc Bader/Mia Wilkinson  
 1966-67-Marc Bader/Phyllis Robinson  
 1967-68-Andy Echlin/Barb Stewart  
 1968-69-Frances Hendrie/Alan Hudak  
 1969-70-Alan Hudak/Mary Jennings  
 1970-71-Margie Jennings  
 1971-72-Karis Gravitis  
 1972-73-Daphne Gould/Martha Bagnall  
 1973-74-Hugh Ker  
 1974-75-Philip Steel/Stephen Newell  
 1975-76-Anne-Louise Snedden  
 1976-77-Doug Harrison  
 1977-78-Martin Zack  
 1978-79-Peter Miller/Keith Winter  
 1979-80-Tricia de Jong  
 1980-81-Danielle Hourigan  
 1981-82-Jacintha Peeris  
 1982-83-Cindy Stojic  
 1983-84-Graham Line  
 1984-85-Peta Gillyatt  
 1985-86-Matthew Parry  
 1986-87-David Walker  
 1987-88-Adrian Lee  
 1988-89-David Bruckmann  
 1989-90-Rachel Watts  
 1990-91-Etienne de Villiers  
 1991-92-Julia Upton  
 1992-93-Ishat Reza  
 1993-94-Else Knudsen  
 1994-95-Matthew Jiggins  
 1995-96-Joanne Chan  
 1996-97-Simon Lebrun  
 1997-98-Doug Moore  
 1998-99-Natasha Rathbone/Jennifer MacArthur  
 1999-00-Jennifer Hughes/Cherie Gyroffly  
 2000-01-Larissa Nash

## TEAM CAPTAINS

### BOYS' FOOTBALL

1901-02-Robert R. MacDonald  
 1902-03-Charles C. Gwyn  
 1903-04-John Desmond Fitzgerald  
 1904-05-George P. Awrey  
 1905-06-Roy B. Nordheimer  
 1906-07-Thomas MacMannus  
 1907-08-Gordon C. Ferrie  
 1908-09-Gordon C. Ferrie  
 1909-10-Robert A. Higgins  
 1910-11-Gordon K. Fraser  
 1911-12-Hubert H. Washington  
 1912-13-John C. Mewburn  
 1913-14-Mills B. Hamilton  
 1914-15-Charles F. Saunders  
 1915-16-Henry E.C. Dowding  
 1916-17-Richard M. Saunders  
 1917-18-Kenneth E. Ferrie  
 1918-19-Sidney H. Wilkinson  
 1919-20-Frederic S. Wilkinson

### BOYS' HOCKEY

1901-02- Oliver T. Macklem  
 1902-03-Herbert G. Zimmerman  
 1903-04-George V. Watson  
 1904-05-George P. Awrey  
 1905-06-Roy B. Nordheimer  
 1906-07-George C. Matheson  
 1907-09-Gordon C. Ferrie  
 1909-10-Gordon M. Matheson  
 1910-11-Julius B. Waterous  
 1911-12-Hubert H. Washington  
 1912-13-Frederick P. L. Washington  
 1913-14-Miles B. Hamilton  
 1914-15-Robert L. Ferrie  
 1915-16-Chas A. McGillivray  
 1916-17-Arthur R. McKay  
 1917-20-Jack E. Wright

### BOYS' CRICKET

1901-02-John C. K. Stuart  
 1902-03-Charles H. Watson  
 1903-04-Waldemar S. Marshall  
 1904-05-Archibald H. Gibson  
 1905-06-Wm. M. Gartshore  
 1906-07-Colin W. G. Gibson  
 1907-09-Gordon C. Ferrie  
 1909-10-Douglas H. Storms  
 1910-11-H. S. Washington  
 1911-12-Hubert H. Washington

1912-13-John S. Dobbie  
 1913-14-Henry R. Thomson  
 1914-15-R. Leighton Ferrie  
 1915-16-Charles W. Gordon  
 1916-18-Kenneth E. Ferrie  
 1918-19- Henry E. H. Boyd  
 1919-20-NONE RECORDED  
**HILLCREST**

1921-29- No Sports Recorded

### BOYS' FOOTBALL

1929-30-Jim R.A. Langs  
 1930-33-George L. Robinson  
 1933-34-N. H. Taylor  
 1934-35-Gordon A. Sweeney  
 1935-36-George H. Parke  
 1936-37-David I. Ker  
 1937-38-M. D. Glassco  
 1938-39-Bill MacGregor  
 1939-40-Bill Hatch  
 1940-41-J. Alder Bliss  
 1941-42-Ralph E. Ingraham  
 1942-43-Charles F. Wilcox  
 1943-44-John S. Ker  
 1944-45-Tom H. Crerar  
 1945-46-Bob Morton  
 1946-47-Tom A. Wilcox  
 1947-48-Bill Mayberry  
 1948-49-Norm G. Howell  
 1949-50-Ken G. Brown  
 1950-51-Billy Graham  
 1951-52-Doug W.A. Muir  
 1952-55-Tom P. Hazell  
 1955-57-Gary H. Kohler  
 1957-58-Peter G.C. Holman  
 1958-59-Lewis P. Stolman  
 1959-60-Peter T. Barnes  
 1960-61-Dan C. Hardie/Barry S. Sanderson  
 1961-62-Bob Holmes  
 1962-63-T. Earl Gosling  
 1963-64-Ken G. Cooper  
 1964-65-Phil C. Wright  
 1965-66-Ron S. Bremner/Tony Robertson  
 1966-67-Bob McMurrich/John C. VanNostrand  
 1967-68-Bob McMurrich  
 1968-69-Don G. Ridpath  
 1969-71- Lorne A. Sobel  
 1971-72-J.D. Steel/Peter A. Robertson  
 1972-73-Edmond Stawowy/Peter A. Robertson  
 1973-74-Edmond Stawowy/Michael P. Ward/Grey J. Barrow

1974-75-Bruce D.C. Heagle/Michael P. Ward/Grey J. Barrow  
 1975-76-Bruce E. Drury/Grey J. Barrow/Michael P. Ward  
 1976-77-Bernie J. Faloney/Paul D. Kadar/David J. Falco  
 1977-78-Wally J. Faloney/Kyle W. Barrow/Timothy I. McCleary  
 1978-79-Kyle W. Barrow/Chris J. Falco/David C. Hazell  
 1979-80-David C. Hazell/Forbes R. Morton/Kevin R. Nutley  
 1980-81-Eric Hanson/Scott A. MacDougall/Forbes H. Morton/Bruce C. Simpson  
 1981-82-Eric Hanson/Scott A. MacDougall/Bruce C. Simpson/Grey J. Skirving  
 1982-88-None Recorded  
 1988-89-Chris Johnston/Bosko Jugovic/Aaron Gordon  
 1989-90-Jason Bourke/Andrew Martin/Daniel Lee/Daniel Miller  
 1990-91-Daniel Miller/Kyle Jenkin/Jason Bourke/Daniel Lee  
 1991-92-David Griffin/Kyle Jenkin/Ian Parsons/David Schroeder  
 1992-93-Adrian Fawcett/Rob Gillyatt  
 1993-94-Adrian Fawcett/Ian Ostofi/Dave Morwald  
 1994-95-Robert Rosstodd/Erik Williamson/Kevin Islip/Tim Ferris/Fabien de Freitas  
 1995-96-Nick Faletta/Tim Ferris/Rob Rosstodd  
 1996-97-Jeff Wilkinson/Andrew Weaver/David Thibodeau/ Matthew Reynolds  
 1997-98-Andrew Parry/Andrew Weaver/Andrew Leidal/ Patrick Orovann  
 1998-99-Jeff Pine/Justin Campbell/Darren Shaver  
 1999-00-James Boughner/Matt Ross/Adam Spencer/Ted Collins

### BOYS' HOCKEY

1929-30-Jim R.A. Langs  
 1930-31-Bob D. Christie  
 1931-32-NONE RECORDED  
 1932-33-Jim M. Bostwick  
 1933-34-Gordon A. Sweeney  
 1934-35-Ramsey A. Evans  
 1935-36-Gord B. Hamilton  
 1936-37-Kenneth S. Loosley  
 1937-38-Bill MacGregor  
 1938-39-John R. Crerar  
 1939-40-J. Geoffrey Cudlip  
 1940-41-H. Arthur Hatch  
 1941-42-J. Peter Foster  
 1942-43-Bill Hale  
 1943-44-George A.C. Simpson  
 1944-45-Frederick S. Loosley  
 1945-46-Bill Drynan  
 1946-47-T. B. Smith  
 1947-48-John L. Francis  
 1948-49-David I. Gallagher  
 1949-50-Coulter A.A. Osborne  
 1950-51-Bill Graham/Jim A. Brown  
 1951-53-P.J. Lee/Radccliffe S. Weaver



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1953-55-Jim J. Evel  
 1955-57-David A.C. Hill  
 1957-58-Peter G.C. Holman  
 1958-59-Peter T. Barnes/James O. Stewart  
 1959-60-James C. Stewart  
 1960-61-Barry S. Sanderson  
 1961-62-T. Earl Gosling  
 1962-64-Ken G. Cooper  
 1964-65-Philip C. Wright  
 1965-66-Andrew B.M. Alway/Anthony P. Johnson  
 1966-67-Andrew B.M. Alway  
 1967-68-Bob McMurrich  
 1968-69-Don G. Ridpath  
 1969-70-Alex G. Wright  
 1970-72-J. G. Steel  
 1972-74-Gary W. DeGroot  
 1974-75-Hugh F. S. Ker  
 1975-76-Steve A. Clark  
 1976-77-Bernie J. Faloney  
 1977-00-NONE RECORDED  
**BOYS' CRICKET**  
 1929-30-G.G. Carscallen  
 1930-31-I. D. Thomas  
 1931-32-Neale H. Taylor  
 1932-33-Douglas J. Cleland  
 1933-35-George A. Sweeney  
 1935-36-Douglas O. Frid  
 1936-37-Paul A. Robertson  
 1937-39-John C. Beveridge  
 1939-40-Alastair A.G. Smith  
 1940-41-J. Kerr Gibson  
 1941-42-Robert M. Roy  
 1942-43-Bill Thomson  
 1943-45-Guy W. Hillmer  
 1945-46-Alan W. Boothe  
 1946-47-Fraser A. Hale  
 1947-48-F. Jack Nightingales  
 1948-49-Norman B. Howell  
 1949-50-Coulter A.A. Osborne  
 1950-51-Donald A. Cameron  
 1951-53-Brian K. Wright  
 1953-54-Ian M. Cameron  
 1954-55-Gerald I. Wigle  
 1955-57-David A.C. Hill  
 1957-58-Gerald C.V. Wright/Peter G.C. Holman  
 1958-59-R.M. Tyler/Fred R. Martin  
 1959-60-Fred R. Martin  
 1960-61-Timothy J.B. Tyler  
 1961-62-Barry S. Sanderson

1962-64-Anthony G. Steel  
 1964-65-Crispin G.H. Sumner  
 1965-66-Anthony G. Steel  
 1966-68-Ian L. Adamson  
 1968-69-Mike G. Steel  
 1969-71-Peter G.I. West  
 1971-72-J. Graham Steel  
 1972-00-NONE RECORDED  
**BOYS' SOCCER**  
 1963-64-Anthony Lewis  
 1964-65-Andreas R. M. Surma  
 1965-66-Crispin G. H. Sumner  
 1966-67-L. Patrick J. Newey  
 1967-69-Mike G. Steel  
 1969-71-Peter G.I. West  
 1971-72-Stephen P. Allford  
 1972-73-Charles P. Krupansky  
 1973-74-Robert W. Jacques  
 1974-75-Phil G. Steel  
 1975-76-Peter G. McLaughlin  
 1976-77-W. Andrew Brown  
 1977-78-Wm. J. Faloney  
 1978-79-I. Stuart Ham  
 1979-80-John M. Ryan  
 1980-82-Michael F. Evans  
 1982-83-Timothy M. Richardson  
 1983-86-Seamus J. Darracott  
 1986-87-Nicholas J. Grant  
 1987-88-Nick Madentzidis  
 1988-89-Alan A.A. Gordon  
 1989-90-Alexander G. Gordon  
 1990-91-Alan Gordon/Richard D. Line  
 1991-92-Richard Line/Aaron Gordon  
 1992-93-Rob O'Brien/Michael Reio/Marc Sabine  
 1993-94-Chris Hammett/Jordan Neysmith  
 1994-95-Stephen Hayman/Carlos Haridas  
 1995-96-Jeremy Drumm/Mark Goliger/Peter Channan  
 1996-97-Mark Goliger/Stephen Atkinson  
 1997-98-Dominic Zamproga/Kevin Rondi/Chris Lambert  
 1998-99-James Stewart/John Piccoli  
 1999-00-Andrea Federici  
 2000-01-Tim Jun  
**BOYS' BASKETBALL**  
 1973-76-Bruce D.C. Heagle  
 1976-77-W. Andrew Brown  
 1977-78-I. Stuart Ham  
 1978-79-Andrew P. Barker/Jeff S. Paikin  
 1979-80-Jeff S. Paikin  
 1980-81-Bruce C. Simpson

1981-82-Bruce D.B. Heagle/Bruce C. Simpson  
 1982-83-Vincent J. Poloniato/Greg J. Skirving  
 1983-84-Paul J. Falco  
 1984-85-Paul J. Falco/James D. Green  
 1985-86-James D. Green/Daniel J. Walters  
 1986-87-Oliver Uppal  
 1987-88-Douglas J. Dunham/Mark D. Hunter  
 1988-89-Stephen A. Czuba/Don J. Williamson  
 1989-90-Dufferin R. Williamson  
 1990-91-Michael R. McDermott  
 1991-93-Keegan Johnson/Michael Reio  
 1993-94-Dave de Freitas  
 1994-95-Scott Innes/Riccardo De Marinis/Geoff Conant  
 1995-96-Taylor Matthew/Jeremy Drumm/Riccardo De Marinis  
 1996-97-Taylor Matthew/Stephen Atkinson  
 1997-99-Sam Howarth/Phil Vayalunkal/Jim Zwolak  
 1999-00-Tim Chen/David Raphael/Chris Hepworth  
 2000-01-Andrew Hall/Chris Hepworth  
**BOYS' VOLLEYBALL**  
 1982-83-Robert J. Gerritsen  
 1983-84-Robert F. Martin  
 1984-85-Paul J. Falco  
 1985-86-Michael R. Mason  
 1986-87-Mel Athulathmudali  
 1987-89-John W. Jentz  
 1989-90-Save H. Jennings/Dufferin R. Williamson  
 1990-91-Rob D. Baillie  
 1991-92-Keegan Johnson/Zubin Punthakee  
 1992-93-Keegan Johnson  
 1993-94-Caine Baldassi  
 1994-96-John Alexiou  
 1996-97-Xenes Punthakee  
 1997-98-Jon Lau  
 1998-99-Jim Zwolak  
 1999-00-Mike Scime  
 2000-01-Chris Hepworth  
**BOYS' SOFTBALL**  
 1998-99-Jim Zwolak/John Piccoli  
 1999-00-Ted Collins  
 2000-01-Matt Ross  
**GIRLS' BASKETBALL**  
 1963-64-Rilla Clarke/Annabelle MacFarlane  
 1964-65-Barbara Jennings  
 1965-66-Sheila Robinson  
 1966-67-Cathy MacKenzie  
 1967-68-NONE REPORTED  
 1968-69-Joyce Holton  
 1969-70-Becky Hills  
 1970-71-Marilyn Mathews

1971-73-Melanie Isbister  
 1973-74-Michele Hourigan  
 1974-75-Lorrie McIntosh  
 1975-76-Caroline Bruckmann  
 1976-77-Michelle Bowes  
 1977-78-Bethany Deppner  
 1978-79-Liz De Jong  
 1979-80-Allison Beatty  
 1980-81-Sue Dunton  
 1981-82-Elizabeth Falco  
 1982-83-Julie Marshall  
 1983-84-Sharon Buehner  
 1984-85-Tanya Smith  
 1985-86-Elizabeth Small  
 1986-87-Stacey Kraftcheck  
 1987-89-Serena Lowartz  
 1989-90-Mary-Ann Hannaford  
 1990-91-Marlene Line  
 1991-92-Maggie Thibodeau  
 1992-94-Dana French  
 1994-95-Sara Rankin/Amina Khambalia  
 1995-96-NONE RECORDED  
 1996-97-Gita Wahi  
 1997-99-Lindsay Cowan  
 1999-2000-Puja Wahi/Claire Vayalunkal  
 2000-01-Claire Vayalunkal/Puja Wahi/Michelle Hunter  
**GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL**  
 1963-67-NONE RECORDED  
 1967-68-Collen Shields  
 1968-69-Joyce Holton  
 1969-70-Ann Rutherford  
 1970-71-Cathy Young  
 1971-73-Cynthia Gould  
 1973-74-Joni DeGroot  
 1974-75-Jill Pilgrim  
 1975-76-Lorrie McIntosh  
 1976-77-Michelle Bowes  
 1977-78-Bethany Deppner  
 1978-79-Janet Simpson  
 1979-80-Anne Pigott  
 1980-81-Sue Dunton  
 1981-82-Elizabeth Falco  
 1982-83-Ria Brookhaus  
 1983-84-Ria Brookhaus/Jane Brown  
 1984-85-Miranda Werstiuik  
 1985-86-Melanie Hobson/Elizabeth Small  
 1986-87-Stacey Kraftcheck  
 1987-88-Susan McShane/Mary Jane Ireland  
 1988-89-Serena Lowartz/G.M. Grace



Girls' Basketball First Team Captains for 1994-95: Amina Khambalia and Sara Rankin

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1989-90-Lisa DiBattista  
 1990-91-Marlene Line  
 1991-92-Anne Guyatt/Maggie Thibodeau  
 1992-93-Jennifer Bhalla  
 1993-94-Pauline Rosenbaum  
 1994-95-Sandra Janosik  
 1995-96-Leslie Hudson  
 1996-97-Nancy Ma  
 1997-98-Gita Wahi  
 1998-99-Lindsay Walker  
 1999-2000-Cayley Conant/Kate Hedges  
 2000-01-Jaime Rendell  
**GIRLS' FIELD HOCKEY**  
 1965-66-Collen Shields  
 1966-69-Barbara Stewart  
 1969-70-Dianne Walker  
 1970-71-Mary Isbister  
 1971-72-Eleanor Howey  
 1972-73-Melanie Isbister  
 1973-74-Martha Bagnall  
 1974-75-Alix Harstone  
 1975-76-Sheila Russell  
 1976-77-Anne-Marie Hourigan  
 1977-78-Kathy Ryan  
 1978-79-Martha Morison  
 1979-80-Anne Pigott  
 1980-81-Jane Gowing  
 1981-83-Michelle Malcolmson  
 1983-84-Martha Jane Kelley  
 1984-85-Miranda Werstiuk  
 1985-86-Julie-Anne Olchoway  
 1986-87-Susan McShane  
 1987-88-Susan McShane/Nicola Gillyatt  
 1988-89-Janet Moore  
 1989-90-Margaret DeJonge/Ginette Park  
 1990-91-Ginette Park/Dana Thompson  
 1991-92-Erica Hargreave/Martha Orr  
 1992-93-Jennifer Bhalla/Alexandra Knoepfli  
 1993-94-Emma Packham/Alexandra Knoepfli  
 1994-95-Alexandra Knoepfli/Emma Packham  
 1995-96-Sonia Lapinsky/Adrian Adair  
 1996-97-Adrianne Adair/Charlotte Klein  
 1997-98-Crissy Kennedy/Lindsay Walker  
 1998-99-Lindsay Walker  
 1999-2000-Melissa Haid  
 2000-01-Zoë Zwolak/Kelli Wood/Ashley Desson  
**GIRLS' SOCCER**  
 1980-81-Barbara Falco  
 1981-82-Elizabeth Falco

1982-83-Michelle Malcolmson/Julie Marshall  
 1983-84-Joanne Nicholls  
 1984-85-Melanie Hobson  
 1985-86-Melanie Hobson/Susan McShane  
 1986-87-Susan McShane/Stacey Kraftcheck  
 1987-88-Grace Kim  
 1988-89-Grace Kim/Margaret DeJonge  
 1989-90-Marlene Line/Margaret DeJonge  
 1990-91-Marlene Line  
 1991-92-NONE RECORDED  
 1992-93-Jennifer Bhalla  
 1993-94-Sloane Cox  
 1994-95-Judith Laposa  
 1995-96-Adrianne Adair  
 1996-97-Jennifer McEdward  
 1997-98-Lindsay Hill  
 1998-99-Alexandra Whately  
 1999-00-Lindsay Hissink  
 2000-01-Katie Baines  
**GIRLS' SOFTBALL**  
 1999-00-Elizabeth Hawkrigg  
 2000-01-NO CAPTAIN

## SENIOR MASTERS

1932-52-Mr. Donald J. Huxley  
 1952-55, 1967-68, 76-84-Mr. Geoff Steel  
 1955-60-Mr. J. Frederic Butler  
 1984-93-Mr. Ted Helwig  
 1993-Present-Mr. Bryan Wylie

## SENIOR MISTRESS

1948-50-Miss. Jessie Greaves  
 1957-83-Mrs. Alexia Newey  
 1967-68-Miss Edith Grinstead  
 1974-87-Mrs. Ginette Jeeves  
 1981-82-Mrs. Toni LeRoy  
 1987-89-Mrs. Pauline Jones

## DIRECTORS OF GUIDANCE/STUDENT SERVICES

1955-58-Mr. R.B. Gillman  
 1964-66-Mr. Geoffrey Steel  
 1966-67-Mr. Ted Helwig  
 1967-70-Miss Jean C. Murray  
 1974-77-Mrs. Dawn C. Hardie  
 1978-88-Mr. Kenneth Chittick  
 1988-89-Mr. Bob Salvisburg  
 1989-96-Mr. Bryan Wylie  
 1996-Present-Mrs. Blanka Guyatt

## DIRECTORS OF ARTS

1923-51-Miss Eleanor Fiennes-Clinton  
 1945-50-Miss M. Seavey  
 1950-56-Mr. Witold Preyess  
 1979-Present-Mr. John Beaver

## DIRECTORS OF ATHLETICS

1945-48-Mr. J.E. Bailey  
 1961-66-Mr. John A. Carruthers  
 1966-70-Mr. John H. Dobbie  
 1972-73-Mr. Andy K. Wicksted  
 1976-77-Mr. Dave Tutton  
 1977-79-Mr. Ken Ruddick  
 1979-85-Mr. Mark Hudson  
 1986-88-Mrs. Cecelia Carter-Smith  
 1988-2000-Mr. Rob Reiner  
 2000-Present-Mr. Kirk De Fazio

## EXPRESSIVE

1983-84-Mr. Bryan Wylie  
 1984-88-Mrs. Pamela Atkinson  
 1988-93-Mr. John McGuirk

## CIVILIZATIONAL

1983-84-Mr. Ted Helwig  
 1984-93-Mr. Brett Dalton

## POLYTECHNIC

1983-93-Mr. Andy Philpot

## BANDS I - VI

1983-86-Band I - Mrs. Carol Dauda  
 1986-87-Band I - Miss Carol Stanton  
 1987-90-Band I - Miss Carol Stanton/Assoc. Ms. Jackie Teggart  
 1990-92-Band I - Miss Carol Stanton/Mrs. Jane Peer  
 1992-94-Band I - Mr. Bruce Gill/Mrs. Jane Peer  
 1994-96-Band I - Mrs. Barb Hughes/Mrs. Jane Peer  
 1996-98-Band I - Miss Carol Stanton/Mrs. Jane Peer  
 1998-01-Band I - Mrs. Maureen McPherson/Mrs. Jane Peer  
 1983-84-Band II - Mrs. Pam Atkinson  
 1984-85-Band II - Mr. Ray Marks  
 1985-86-Band II - Mr. Rick Stockdale/Mr. Ray Marks  
 1986-87-Band II - Mr. Ray Marks  
 1987-88-Band II - Mrs. Jean Hot/Assoc. Mr. Jim Mallen  
 1988-89-Band II - Mrs. Pam Atkinson/Assoc. Mr. Jim Mallen  
 1989-90-Band II - Mrs. Barb Lazier/Mr. Jim Mallen  
 1990-92-Band II - Mrs. Pam Atkinson/Ms. Jackie Teggart  
 1992-96-Band II - Mrs. Linda Spratt/Ms. Jackie Teggart  
 1996-99-Band II - Mrs. Joy Faulknor/Ms. Jackie Teggart  
 1999-01-Band II - Mrs. Pam Atkinson/Ms. Jackie Teggart  
 1983-90-Band III - Mr. Sandy Sanderson

1990-95-Band III - Mr. Rick Stockdale  
 1995-01-Band III - Mrs. Nancy Rocca  
 1983-86-Band IV - Mr. Peter Annable/Mr. Mark Hudson  
 1986-01-Band IV - Mr. Peter Annable  
 1983-87-Band V - Mrs. Pauline Jones  
 1987-88-Band V - Mrs. Pauline Jones/Mrs. Gudrun Mitterling  
 1988-90-Band V - Mrs. Gudrun Mitterling  
 1990-91-Band V - Mr. Mark Hudson  
 1991-98-Band V - Mr. Dave Hodgetts  
 1998-01-Band V - Mr. Brett Dalton  
 1983-84-Band VI - None  
 1984-90-Band VI - Mr. Mark Hudson  
 1990-00-Band VI - Mrs. Vicky Cairns  
 2000-01-Band VI - Mrs. Gudrun Mitterling

## HEAD LIBRARIANS

1966-93-Mrs. Gina Walker  
 1968-91-Mrs. Carla Harstone  
 1993-Present-Ms. Dawna Petsche-Wark

## DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATION

1999-00-Mrs. Lorraine Adhya  
 2000-Present-Mr. Stuart Grainger

## BURSARS

1945-48-Mr. G.E.F. Smith  
 1948-53-Mr. P.C. Metherell  
 1953-56-Mrs. Joan Page  
 1962-63-Miss Edith Grinstead  
 1970-71-Mr. William H. MacDonald  
 1972-73-Mr. Ken G. Cooper  
 1974-92-Mr. W. F.(Bill) Fleming

## BUSINESS MANAGERS

1956-68-Mrs. T.F. Carson  
 1962-69-Mr. W. Norman Thomson  
 1965-66-Mrs. S.E. Wharton

## OPERATIONS MANAGER

1994-Present-Ms. Laura Seki-Systems Manager

## COMPTROLLER/TREASURER

1992-Present-Mrs. Lorraine Adhya

## SUPERVISOR OF DEVELOPMENT

1977-91-Ms. Elizabeth Seymour

## DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORS

1977-87-Mr. Bruce Kaye

# Appendices

1996-2000-Mr. Dave Macdonald

## PROVOST

1989-91-Dr. John I. Frid

## FOUNDATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

2000-Present-Mrs. Megan Campbell

## ADMISSION DIRECTORS

1981-86-Mr. Hugh Brown

1986-Present-Mr. Ray Marks

## ALUMNI OFFICERS

1972-73-Ms. Gracie Eaman

1976-77-Ms. Elizabeth Seymour

1992-96-Ms. Tosha Docherty

2000-00-Mrs. Vicki Polos

2001-Present-Mrs. Nadine Morrison

## MARKETING/PUBLIC RELATIONS

1996-Present-Mrs. Tosha Lord

## HEADMASTER'S SECRETARY

1941-44-Miss Morna Barclay

1944-45- Miss E. Muntz

1945-46- Miss P. O'Neill

1946-47- Mrs. K.S. Loosley

1947-49- Mrs. W.A. Pottier

1948-50-Miss K.R. Stambaugh

1949-52- Mrs. J.H. Morrice

1952-53-Mrs. John P. Page

1952-53-Miss Irene Carey

1953-59-K.C. Orr-Ewing

1959-60- Mrs. M.E. Paul

1960-61- Mrs. R. P. McArthur

1961-62- Mrs. R.I. Dawson

1961-69- Mrs. N.T. Shanlin

1967-68- Miss C.M.C. Spooner

1969-72-Mrs. Gay Steel

1972-73- Mrs. A. Kwakernaak

1974-75- Ms. E. Rein

1976-79- Mrs. Lana Rayfield

1980-82- Mrs. Irene Davidson

1982-94- Ms. Laura Seki

1994-Present- Miss Adela DiFebo

## ADMISSIONS OFFICER

1994-96-Mr. Rob Alexander

## MATRONS

1958-62-Mrs. J. Moreland

1959-62-Mrs. R.C. Kirby

1962-88-Mrs. Jean Paton

1963-65-Miss M.E. Newlands

1965-67-Miss M.D. Fitzpatrick

1966-67-Mrs. W.F. Hassell

1967-73-Mrs. H. Douthart

1968-70-Mrs. W. McMeekin

1974-81-Mrs. Ann Costello

1981-91-Mrs. Mary Aquilina

1984-93- Mrs. Eileen Forestall

1988-00-Mrs. Audery Morgan

1989-Present-Mrs. Debbie Lyons

1997-98-Mrs. Judy Otaguro

1998-Present-Mrs. Lou Marks (First Aid)

2000-Present-Miss Joy Book (First Aid)

## CHEFS/COOKS

1950-54-Miss L. Krick

1954-55-Mrs. W.J. Reeves

1955-69- Mrs. J. Worthy

1958-60-Mrs. H. Chalmers

1962-66-Mrs. Jean Marshall

1966-72-Mrs. Hannah McDermott

1968-75-Mr. Peter Abate

1976-91-Mr. Butch Murakami

1992-95-Mrs. Maria Boers

1995-Present-Mrs. Lynn Sharpe

## DINING ROOM SUPERVISOR

1976-84-Mrs. Eileen Forestall

1981-94-Mrs. Tommy Peters

1966-72-Mrs. Jean Marshall

## HEAD CLEANERS

1969-70-Mrs. H. Madeley

1993-94-Mrs. Maria Cseresnyes

1994-00-Mrs. Cathy Feltracco

2000-Present-Mrs. Cora Johannssen

## HEAD GROUNDSMEN

1929-37-Mr. Tom Aikman

1962-77- Mr. Peter Bradley

1980-95- Mr. Wayne Keyes

## PLANT SUPERVISOR

1977-95-Mr. Peter Bradley

## PLANT/GROUNDS SUPERVISOR

1995-Present-Wayne Keyes

## TRANSPORTATION SUPERVISOR

1995-Present-Mrs. Sheila Land



Administrative Staff 1990

Mrs. N. Gervais, Mrs. H. Erdelyi, Miss A. DiFebo, Mrs. K. Frank, Miss A.M. Tirmacco, Mr. P. Bradley, Mrs. P. Ryckman, Miss L. Seki



Library Staff 2000

Mrs. Karen Ford, Mrs. Sigi Schroeder, Mrs. Joan Campbell, Ms. Dawna Petsche-Wark

## The 'Echoes' Team



Barry Wansbrough



Tosha Lord



Elaine Jenkins



Karen Ford



Fiorella Hoogerdyk



Sarah Cairns



Diana Hammond

## Lest We Forget



*Canadian Monument at Courcelles*



*Above, the Plaque at Dieppe*

*Below, Canada Square at Dieppe*



*Above, the Plaque of Hillfield Heroes*

*Below, Plaque of the RMC Successes*



*The Memorial Gates*

*Photo by Anthony Hughes*



*Juno Battlements*



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*Juno Beach*



*St. Beny Commonwealth Cemetery*



*Tombstones at St. Beny Commonwealth Cemetery*

## *The Gardens*



*Jay Parry - Carpe Diem Garden*



*Wayne's Hedge*



*Gudrun Mitterling's House More Garden*



*The Orchard*



*The Howard Ambrose Walk*



*The Ketchum Forecourt*

## *The Gardens*



*Aerial Shot of the Campus taken in 1985 by Anthony Hughes. Airplane piloted by Peter Meszaros.*



*The Michael Robertson Rose Garden*



*The Montessori Millennium Garden*



*The Bradley Field in honour of Peter Bradley*



*The Pine Grove*

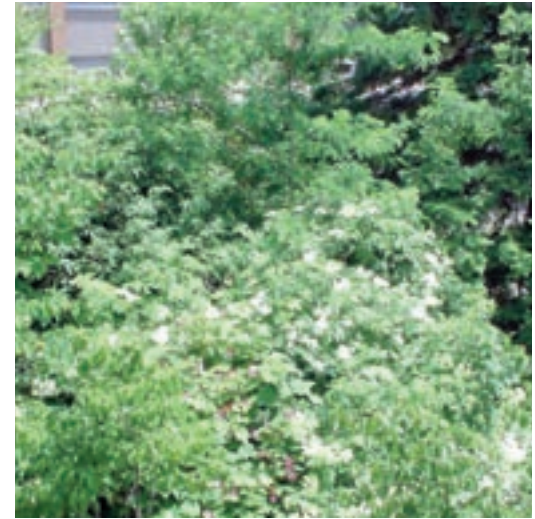
## *The Gardens*



*The Sensorial Garden*



*The Laburnum Trees in April*



*David Moffatt's Carolinian Garden*



*The Hillfield Drive*



*The Ginkgo Tree outside Strath*



*The Kennedy Tree*



*The Gibson Fields*

## *The Rooms and Buildings*



*The new facade and entrance to the Artsplex and Montessori*



*The Trojan emblem on the floor of the DeGroote Gym*



*The altar at chapel*



*The painted piazza in the Montessori Building*

## *Plaques, Paintings & Sculptures*



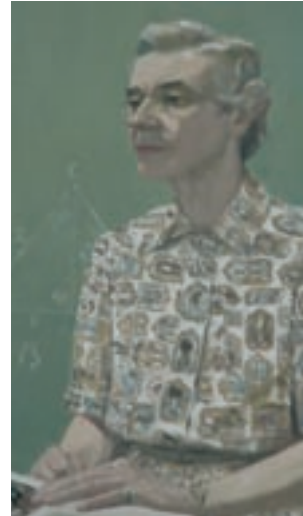
*Mr. Fred Butler*



*Mr. John Collinson*



*Miss Eileen Fitzgerald*



*Miss Edith Grinstead*



*Rev. Cecil Heaven*



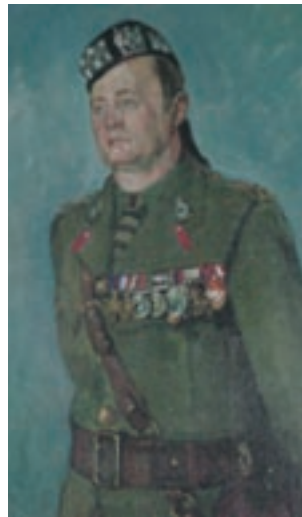
*Mr. Ted Helwig*



*Mrs. Pauline Jones*



*Mr. Arthur Killip*



*Col. John Page*



*Mr. Geoff Steel*



*Miss Janet Virtue*



*Mr. Barry Wansbrough*

## *Plaques, Paintings & Sculptures*



*The Highfield cornerstone*



*The Innuksuk which stands in the Montessori Millennium Garden*



*The Newhouse steel sculpture*



*The Hillfield cornerstone*



*The gargoyles, now mounted outside of the Holton Building*





*Below, the full College photo taken October 2000*

*First photograph at right,  
Alison Garwood-Jones '86, and Zoë Zwolak '01  
in 1986*

*Far right, Alison, Zoë and  
Alexa Paikin (0040) in 2001*



**From 'A' to 'Z' and 'Z' to 'A'**

