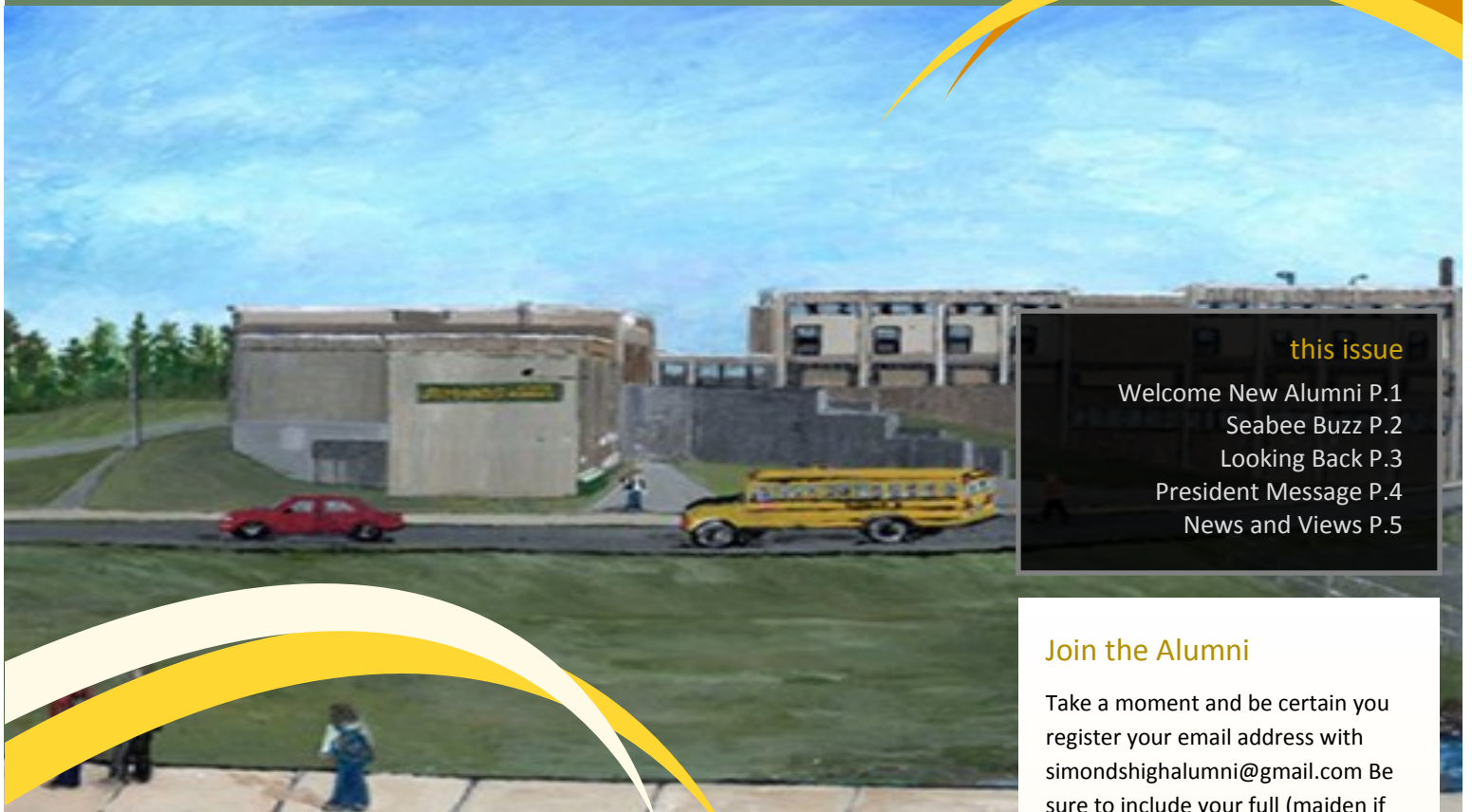


Happenings in the Hive

SIMONDS ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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Join the Alumni

Take a moment and be certain you register your email address with simondshighalumni@gmail.com Be sure to include your full (maiden if applicable) name and the year you graduated. This email will be the primary way we will communicate information and events with you. Don't delay, send the email today and get your name on the list.

Graduation and Prom

Simonds High will graduate its 62nd graduation class on June 24th, 2012 at 2pm at the Simonds High Gymnasium. As always it is a sight to behold as the graduates make their way up the center aisle and take their seats in the bleachers. The cheers and smiles are heard and seen for miles around!

The Simonds Graduation Prom will be held at the Delta Hotel, on June 22 beginning at 8pm. The Grand March is second to none. All are welcome.

Welcome NEW alumni...

The Simonds High Alumni is so excited to welcome almost 200 new alumni to its ranks. The class of 2012 is about to embark on what is sure to be an amazing journey as they enter into the next phase of their life. Among them we will be sure to find Seabee Doctors, Lawyers, Scientists, Engineers and more! It is with sincere pleasure that we congratulate each and everyone of them and wish them all the very best that life has to offer. We hope they will continue to be involved with their school through alumni activities and perhaps even see fit to join the committee! Special congratulations to **Carter Baxter** and **Mercedes Peters**, the Valedictorian and the Salutatorian of 2012!

We also wish to congratulate all Alumni Seabees who may be graduating from Post Secondary Institutions. We do know of a few, and we are so pleased to hear about their success. Make sure you share your stories with us, and let us know how you are doing! We were very excited to hear about **Erica Forward**, the Valedictorian of UNBSJ, and a former Simonds Seabee! Congratulations Erica—you continue to make us very proud!!

We want to hear about your successes, so be sure to email simondshighalumni@gmail.com and tell us all about it! Simonds Pride Continues.....

Seabee Buzz—Seabees Home and Away

Ever wondered what happened to your 10th grade crush? Is your favorite teacher still teaching at Simonds High? Check it out here!

Seabees Home and Away is compiled from submissions from our readers who have submitted items by letter, email or phone as well as various public sources.

These submissions will always refer to Simonds' alumni; they will generally be about family milestones (births, deaths, new job opportunities, marriages, moves appointments, accomplishments, etc...) We welcome your information for future newsletters. Please include your graduation year with your submission.

Please address any entries to Jill Eckstone (J.Eckstone@gmail.com or 333-5987) or Judy Chapman (chapmanb@nbnet.nb.ca). Alternately, entries may be mailed to Simonds High c/o Jill Eckstone, 1490 Hickey Road, Saint John, NB, E2J 4E7.

Sara Long (2010) - Sara, who has completed her 2nd year in the chemical engineering program at UNBF has been accepted to do a 4month coop placement in Germany this summer. Her job will be at Gambro Dialyzers working on kidney dialysis technology.

Kevin Clifford (1978) - Kevin, a 3rd generation firefighter was recently selected as the Fire Chief for the Saint John Fire Department.

Shawn Peterson (2002) - Shawn recently won the top prize of \$10 000 in Toronto at Geek Fest T4G. His app called Q-Time tells patients on a computer or mobile device at the Saint John Regional Hospital when they will get to see a physician. He is a very civic-minded Saint Johner and has been named as a young leader to watch by several Canadian Publications.

Mathieu Robert LeClair (2009) - Matt, a 3rd year student at RMC in Kingston, Ontario passed away on February 28th, 2012. Matt was the grad class president for his graduation class and was a huge Simonds supporter. He would visit his friends at Simonds whenever he was home and will be fondly remembered by all.

William McCann (Guidance Counselor) - passed away in the Spring of 2012. He was a well loved counselor and had a great impact on the students at Simonds High School. His smiling face and positive attitude will truly be missed.

Lois Forrest (Former Teacher) - passed away on February 13th, 2012. Lois was a teacher in the Business Education Department (taught General Business and Typing) at Simonds for 12 years, retiring in the mid 1980's.

Kara Nobles (2005) was married to Jeff McCann on May 26, 2012. Congratulations to them both!

Erica Forward (2008) was the valedictorian for the 2012 Spring Convocation at UNBSJ. Erica graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology. As well, she won the Craig S. Fleisher Award for Scholarship and Volunteerism.

Myrna Gail (Livingston) Pearson (1960) passed away on May 22, 2012. She had a successful career in finance, working in several banking institutions throughout the city of Saint John.

Michael David Fry (2005) graduated with his Masters in Arts, Psychology from UNBSJ in May, 2012. His work was Methylphenidate-Induced D1 Receptor stimulation an hyper activation of the Glutamatergic System: Effect on Memory.



Upcoming Reunions:

Have an event you want to share? Upcoming reunion? Grads getting together? Let us know! Email: JEckstone@gmail.com and we will include it in our next newsletter!

Class of 1962 (50th Reunion) - July 6 & 7, 2012 at Bayside Middle School (the former Simonds High) Contact person Al Dodge (847-2046) - facebook group: Simonds High School Class of 1962 50th Reunion

CLASS OF 1972 (40th Reunion) - June 22, 2012 from 7:30pm—12:30am at the Barrack Green Armouries, Broad St., Saint John. Contact person: Wayne Harrison (simonds1972@bellaliant.net)

Class of 1982—(30th Reunion) - July 28th, 2012 from 7pm—1am at the Canterbury Lounge. Contact person: Paul McVea paulmcvea@hotmail.com

Class of 1992—(20th Reunion) - July 7th, 2012 from 7pm - 1am at the Simonds High School Cafeteria. Contact: Tammy Kilpatrick 696 5996

Class of 2002 (10th Reunion) - June 30th, 2012, 7PM at Tonic (3Mile) for \$10.00/ticket. Contact person: Jackie Smith Jacklyn.Smith@nbed.nb.ca

Ben Bartlett (2004) was married to Sara Chambers. Ben is a well respected EA at Bayside Middle School.

Jessica MacDonald (2010) has taken a semester off from University to be an au pair for 3 young boys in Australia. She is enjoying this new adventure in her life and hopes to return to her studies in January 2013



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Check it out...



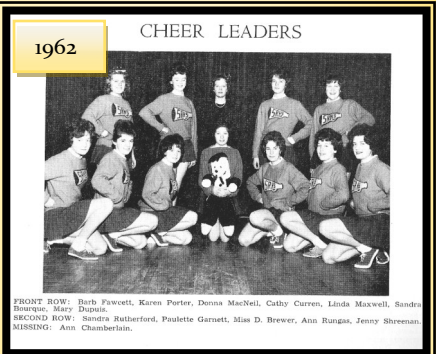
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Looking back...



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CHEER LEADERS

FRONT ROW: Barb Fawcett, Karen Porter, Donna MacNeil, Cathy Curren, Linda Maxwell, Sandra Bourque, Mary Dupuis.
SECOND ROW: Sandra Rutherford, Paulette Garnett, Miss D. Brewer, Ann Rungas, Jenny Shreeman.
MISSING: Ann Chamberlain.



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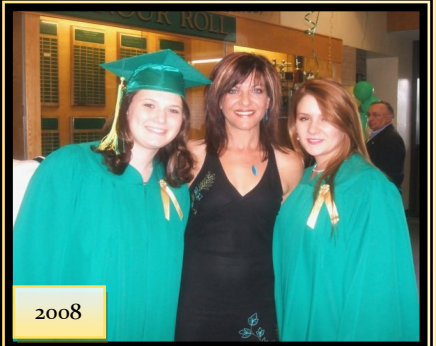
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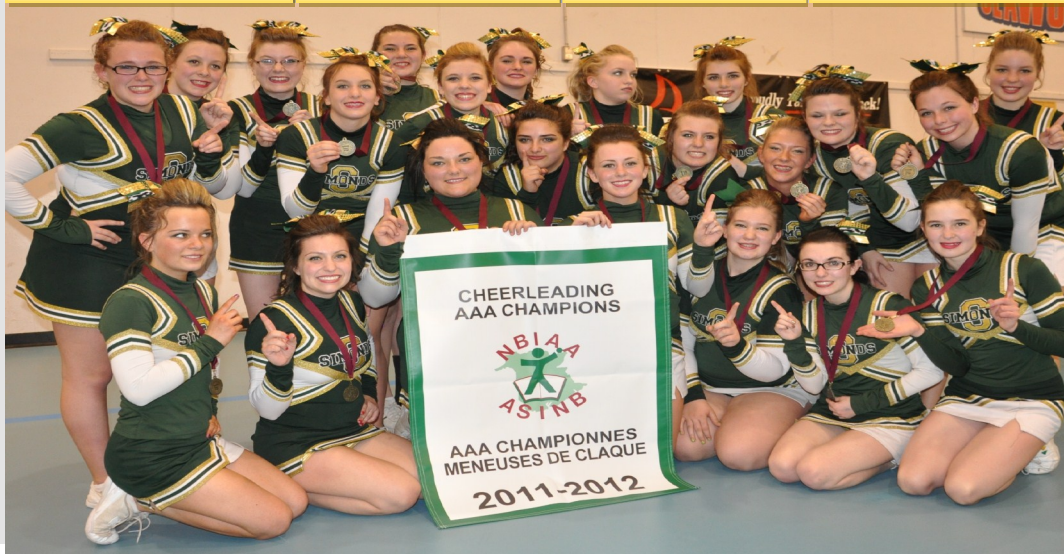
Mrs. J. Chapman



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A Message from the Alumni President

On behalf of all the Alumni, CONGRATULATIONS TO 2012 SIMONDS GRADUATES!!!

Now that you are graduating, and about to take the next step toward your future, always remember these past few years as some of the best of your life.

Being a part of a bigger picture is what life is all about. Whether you go on to post secondary education or start working right away, your beginnings are right here in the halls of Simonds.

Welcome to Simonds High Alumni.

In Simonds, there is a small group of dedicated Alumnus's working hard to get the Alumni Association strong and involved.

To do this, we need people to donate a bit of time, whenever they can, to attend events, to help with planning new events, and to help with the on-going needs of our school.

We are currently looking for a few Alumni to donate their time and talents to help with the School grounds beautification project.

We also need help with the Alumni website and compiling a database of Past Graduates, Staff, & Teachers.

These things will all help make our Alumni a strong, involved, community-based Alumnus that works for the School and its Students.

Can you spare a little time to stay involved with your Alma mater?

Green & Gold Forever

Acting-President

Erin McPhee



News and Views...

There is always something happening in the hive. We never seem to give ourselves enough credit, and with that in mind, this section of our newsletter will highlight all the good things happening around Simonds.

➤ The Simonds High Alumni has committed to help with the process of beautifying the school grounds. Over the years many memorial and dedication trees have been planted and the school's environmental club, headed by teacher Michele Banks, are working hard to honor all of those who have generously made donations. More still needs to be done and with your help we can continue to work on this worthy cause. If you are interested in helping out with this project, please contact the alumni at simondshighalumni@gmail.com and we will contact you.

➤ A shout out to the Simonds High School Cheerleaders who brought home the Provincial Banner! The girls are incredible athletes and truly were fantastic to watch. This banner belongs in our school gymnasium and is back hanging right where it belongs! Congratulations, girls!

➤ Notice for retired teachers—In the past few months, a group has been organized for retired teachers of Simonds. Usually this group meets on the second Tuesday of each month for lunch and socializing. If you are interested in further details, please contact Darlene Fraser at dfraser@nbnet.nb.ca or call 849 7922.

➤ Congratulations to Erin Muir, Rylee Hayes and Hayley McLellan for being winners of the 9th annual Seabee Idol/Simonds Got Talent! We always knew that we had talent at Simonds and these ladies just proved it. Think back and remember all the bands that used to play in the theatres at Simonds Regional and Simonds High? The talent has continued to grow!!

➤ The Mathieu LeClair Fundraising Scholarship/Birthday Bash was a huge success. It can be said without a doubt that everyone had a great time and a lot of money was raised. Mathieu would have been very proud of his family and friends as they honored his special day and came together in the spirit of love and celebration of a life taken from us much too soon. One very lucky student will receive a scholarship to further their education in Mathieu's memory.

Alumni Abroad

Ever wanted to travel overseas but had no one to go with you? Well turn back the clock and head across the ocean with your old classmates!

Have you ever thought about travelling overseas? Have you had children, nieces, nephews or friends who have travelled to Europe and you wished you could go along? Well, here is your opportunity! Judy Chapman (class of 1970), who has organized 15 trips to Europe and 5 trips to New York for Simonds' students is now organizing a trip to Europe for Simonds' Alumni and Friends. It is an 11-day trip to London, Paris & Amsterdam, with 3 nights' stay in each city, and many inclusions. The departure date is May 12, 2013. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact Judy at chapmanb@nbnet.nb.ca or 847 3241 for more details. **Space on this tour is going quickly, so do not delay!**