

## HAPPENINGS IN THE HIVE

# Simonds High Alumni Newsletter June 2018



Class of 2008 - A 10-year reunion is being planned for the Class of 2008 on August 4, 2018 from 8PM – 1AM. The venue will be the Function Junction in the Three Mile complex located at 5 Golden Grove Rd., Saint John. Tickets are \$30 each or \$50 for a grad and guest. There will be dancing, drinks, games, prizes and lots of great company! No outside food or drink is allowed on site. Please note that a class photo will be taken at 9PM. Tickets may be purchased from one of the following committee members: Jonah Daley (chillcucumber@gmail.com), Rebecca (Delong) Fitzpatrick (rebeccadelong@hotmail.com), Vanessa (Williams) Gilmore (vanessadw@live.com, Emma Griffin (emma\_griffin@live.com), Jessica McCormick (jessmccormick@hotmail.com) or Nick White (whitenicholas90@gmail.com). Space at the venue is limited so be sure to get your tickets soon. Any extra funds raised at the reunion will be donated to the 2019 Simonds grad class. A facebook group, SHS Grads of 2008, has been set up, so that grads can keep abreast of any updates

Class of 1988 – A 30-year reunion will be held on July 7, 2018 at O'Malley's on Rothesay Avenue in Saint John. Grads and guests are invited to come at 7 PM in preparation for the class photo which will be taken at 8 PM. There is **no charge** to attend. Grads are asked to bring an item to contribute to the pot luck snack table. For additional information, please contact Jane Buck, Mary Lawton, Sandra Godin or Diane Phillips on face book or by email at Simondsclassof1988@gmail.com. To check in and connect with your classmates, you can also join the face book group **Simonds High School: 1988 was 30 years ago!!** The committee would welcome more volunteers to assist in any way – big or small - with this reunion.

<u>Class of 1978</u> – The Class of '78 is well-known for celebrating their class every five years. Hard to believe this time it will be to celebrate their 40-year reunion! On Friday, July 6, 2018, there will be a grads-only Meet and Greet at O'Malley's on Rothesay Avenue in Saint John from 7:30 PM – 1AM. This will be followed by a grad and guest evening on Saturday, July 7 from 7:30 PM – 12 in the Simonds cafeteria. The Simonds Alumni Committee will be tending bar and drinks will be super affordable! For further details, please join their facebook page, Simonds High School Class of 1978. Registration should be sent in by June 14 to Simonds Class of '78 Reunion, 12 Greystone Drive, Quispamsis, NB, E2G 0J1 or email the form and money to simondsclassof1978@gmail.com. Alternately, you may contact Lenore (Messer) Tracy on face book or by phone at 847-5054.

Class of 1968 - This class celebrated its 50-year reunion on Saturday, June 16, 2018 pictures will follow.

<u>Class of 1958</u> – Members of this class are looking to have a casual get-together this summer to celebrate their 60-year reunion. If you are interested, please contact Cyril McFate at 848-0885 (H) or 636-2531 (cell).

Please note that any Simonds teachers are invited to join the groups at these reunions.

If any other classes are planning reunions, could they please send details to Judy Chapman at judychapman44@gmail.com or Tammy Kilpatrick at tamkilp@yahoo.ca, or post or send us a message on our alumni facebook page. It is always good to get information out early so grads can book their vacations and make plans to attend.

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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 those people who make Simonds better!

### **Simonds Memorial Grove**

In the Simonds High School Memorial Grove, donated trees are planted in memory of a student, teacher, group, friend or family member or to celebrate a certain grad class. Our Memorial Grove has been growing; it is located outside the gym and continuing down the school driveway by the playing field. Alumni have donated the Princeton Golden Yellow maple trees. This year, five new trees were added to the grove. These trees were donated by the Classes of 1976 and Class of 1977 in memory of those lost. In addition, a tree was planted in memory of Ian Hughes by his parents, Alice (1965) and Brian. The Vincent family donated a tree in memory of their dad, long-time East Saint John supporter and Simonds grad, Mel Vincent (1959). Breasts Ahoy, the local breast cancer dragon boat group have many members with East Saint John and Simonds connections; they graciously donated a tree celebrating life.

As the grove matures, it is hoped to add some benches between the trees. Gold is one of our school colours; these beautiful golden trees glisten when the sun shines upon them. They can be seen not only from Hickey Road, but also from Loch Lomond Road. The trees have certainly enhanced the school grounds! We invite individual alumni or classes who are planning future reunions to consider placing a memorial tree in the grove. What a beautiful way in which to remember a classmate/friend/family member! To commemorate each tree, a plaque with name plates honors those remembered. In addition, a picture and short bio will be placed in our Wall of Remembrance along with the plaque. The display case for this remembrance is in the lobby across from the school theatre and on the way to the gymnasium. The current approximate cost of a tree is \$180. Thank you to all who donated trees in memory of friends and family. Please message Judy Chapman (chapmanb@nbnet.nb.ca) or any member of the SHS Alumni Committee (on page 1) if you would like to make a donation and be a part of this worthwhile initiative to give back to your school.

We would also like to acknowledge the assistance of the school environmental club, Team Green and its teacher supervisor, Michele Banks for their support in previous years.



The beginnings of our Wall of Remembrance, a work in progress



In memory of husband and dad, Mel Vincent, a 1959 Simonds grad



Brian & Alice Hughes (1965) beside a tree in memory of their son, lan  $\,$ 



### Marcus Finch Memorial Tree

On March 1, 2018, Marcus Finch, a 2018 Simonds grad died unexpectedly in a car accident. His classmates and friends from Simonds made plans to remember him. On June 1st, everyone was encouraged to wear purple or plaid in honour of Marcus. During the lunch hour, a beautiful memorial tree was planted in his memory. As Marcus was a fan of cars, this was followed by a Marcus Finch Memorial Car Show. At this event, not only were various cars shown, but also there was a smash a car activity, BBQ and watermelon sale. From these, over \$1000 was raised for a bursary in Marcus' name; it will be presented at graduation. A plate for Marcus has been added to our Memorial Grove plaque. He will also be remembered by a photo and bio in our Wall of Remembrance. A young man - gone too soon. Rest in Peace Marcus.





#### Old Yearbooks!

Still searching for that memorable gift for a friend, relative, or even yourself? The Simonds Alumni Committee has yearbooks from most years up to and including 2014 (only a few years are sold out). What a special gift that would make! Where else can you get such a unique gift for \$35 (no tax)? Also, if you have any yearbooks with which you are willing to part and donate to the alumni, we would be happy to accept your gift. For more information, or to see if your year is still available, please contact Judy Chapman at judychapman44@gmail.com.

### **Retired Simonds Staff Members**

Are you a former staff member - teacher, secretary, custodian - from Simonds? If so, we invite you to join us for a monthly lunch date.

The group of retired teachers and other staff members from Simonds meet for lunch and socializing on the 2nd Tuesday of each month (throughout the school year) at 12:30 PM. Our lunch date locations vary each month. Be sure to email us and attend a few of our get-togethers. We are still an integral part of the Simonds family and enjoy reminiscing and keeping caught up. This group is still caring and compassionate about Simonds students; monthly, they donate funds to assist with the breakfast program there. They work with the Simonds alumni and the school on this worthwhile initiative. If you are interested in further details, please contact Cathy MacDonald (ceileenm@nb.sympatico.ca).

#### SIMONDS' SWAG!

Several alumni have been asking for T-shirts, toques, hoodies, sweatpants, etc. with Simonds logos on them. You are now in luck! The school recently opened an online shop for all your Simonds clothing. If you wish to have your spirit wear say "ALUMNI", you can customize it for just \$4 extra. There is LOTS of selection for men's, women's and youth clothing with several brand names. Shipping takes 4 - 7 work days and is FREE if sent to anywhere in Canada. Best of all, 10% of all purchases goes directly back to the school. Log in to the site, create your own account and pay for your purchase using a credit card. Receive 10% off your order with bonus code ENTRIPYSHOPS10. Check out the online site at:

http://simondshighschool.entripyshops.com/

Happy Shopping!

### **Simonds High Scholarship Fund**

The Simonds High Scholarship Fund has been in existence for many years. Money from that fund has been used to recognize numerous excellent Simonds graduates and offer them some funds toward their post-secondary education - whether it be a university, community college or another educational institution. Any assistance is appreciated by the students. As a student at Simonds, you may have even been a recipient of this funding. The Simonds Alumni Committee donates money each year to use for scholarships from this fund. Many people donate to the SHS Scholarship fund in memory of a loved one who has passed away; what a great way to "pay-itforward"! If you wish to donate to this fund and "give back" to your school, you may send your donation to The Simonds High School Scholarship Fund, 1490 Hickey Rd., Saint John, NB., E2J 4E7. An income tax receipt will be issued for your donation. Thank you in advance for your support of your school!



### Simonds Sign

There are two concrete signs for Simonds as one enters the campus. One sign, with our school motto, United to Learn, is in pretty good shape. However, the other sign bearing the school name had deteriorated. Simonds High Alumni partnered with the school to have this sign redone prior to graduation 2018. The accompanying photo shows the new sign. It looks awesome and will undoubtedly be displayed in many grad pictures.





## **Drama Supper**

Some members of the Simonds alumni, in partnership with parents, supplied a supper for the students involved in the production of Back to the '80s. Pizza, salads, beverages and desserts were provided on one of their long rehearsal days. In addition, the alumni ran a snack canteen during intermission on play nights. That is one of the small fundraisers we have each year to earn funds.



**Travel Opportunity:** Has one of your travel dreams been to go to Europe, but you are daunted by all the planning? Are you looking for a hassle-free travel experience? Judy Chapman is now planning two adult group trips for 2019. These tours are with a very reputable world-wide company with offices in Canada. Departure may be from any airport in the world. A very popular tour will be the one on the Highlights of England, Scotland & Ireland. It will feature visits to London, Edinburgh, Liverpool, Dublin and Limerick. You will get the opportunity to kiss the Blarney Stone, to spend some time in the Cavern Club in Liverpool where the Beatles performed (and to visit the Beatles Museum), to ride the London Eye and see St. George's Chapel in Windsor where Harry and Megan were married, plus so much more. This tour departs on June 13, 2019. Please check out the itinerary and pricing at https://judyengland.grouptoursite.ca/. A tour to Northern Europe will depart on July 20, 2019. It will commence in Amsterdam, and continue on to Hamburg, Copenhagen, Stockholm and Bergen (for a Norwegian fjord cruise)! Please view the itinerary and pricing at https://judynortherneurope.grouptoursite.ca/. Judy has had lots of travel experience, having planned 17 Simonds student tours to Europe and 5 to New York; she has been organizing adult tours since 2013. She would like to invite any interested Simonds alumni, their friends and family (you do not have to be a Simonds alumnus) to join the adult travel group. If you are interested any of these travel opportunities, please contact her at judychapman44@gmail.com or 847-3241 or on face book for more details. It is not too early to plan your 2019 travel

adventures! In fact, over half of the places for the England, Scotland &

Ireland tour are already booked.

## Host an International Student

Have you ever thought of hosting an international student in your home? There are students from many countries who are looking to come to New Brunswick and be educated in our local school district. Through Atlantic Education International (AEI), students come from such countries as Germany, Mexico, France, Columbia, China, Turkey, Brazil, etc. to study in our province's schools. This program is supported by an international student liaison officer at Anglophone School District - South. The district is seeking families who may be interested in hosting a high school student in their home for a semester or full year. The student will need a bedroom of their own and to be welcomed as a member of your family. What a great opportunity it would be to share cultures and to offer great Maritime hospitality! To help cover the cost of having an additional person in your home, there is an honorarium. These students not only add much to your home life, but also contribute much to the life of the student body or school they attend. Simonds families have hosted these students previously and they, and the school, have been richer for the experience. If you are interested in hosting an international student for the upcoming school year, please contact an administrator at Simonds or the AEI district administrator, Jill Jollineau (jill.jollineau2@gnb.ca) or the district liaison officer, Lynn MacDonald (lynn.macdonald@nbed.nb.ca). You may also apply online at http://aei-inc.ca/host-family.







#### Simonds High Breakfast Club

Open Daily 8:15 to 8:45 AM Room C227

## Simonds Breakfast Club

The Breakfast Club has been in existence at Simonds High School for over a year now and is offered for half an hour prior to the beginning of the school day. Attendance is steady at 40 - 50 students each day. Supervised by teachers, much of the format is self-service "grab and go", although there are tables where some students linger a while to chat. Breakfast options vary, but usually toast, bagels, hot and cold cereal, hot chocolate, yogurt, cheese, breakfast bars, granola bars, fruit and muffins are provided. The school was fortunate to obtain a grant last fall which will assist with some of the costs. The Simonds Retired Teachers group has been regular and generous in their financial support of this program. The Simonds High Alumni have donated supplies from a couple of cereal drives. The "muffin lady", Ann Sanders, a recently retired 1975 Simonds grad, has baked and delivered her homemade muffins to the school for the students. The students just love Ann's muffins! As well, this April some members of the Simonds alumni (and friends) cooked another hot breakfast for the students. This is the third "hot breakfast" the alumni have prepared; we are trying to make it a bi-annual event.

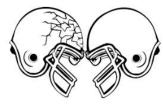
Sausages, pancakes, fruit and juice were provided for more than 80 hungry students. The Breakfast Club is certainly a worthwhile endeavor. Students cannot learn if they are hungry. We invite other community and individual partners to join us in our efforts to sustain this necessary program.

#### **Missing Previous Newsletters?**

Are you just reading our Simonds Alumni newsletter for the first time? Or, perhaps you have missed a few of our past issues? Our SHS Alumni newsletter was started in 2012; since then, we have produced 3 - 4 issues each year. If you are seeking past issues...perhaps you want to see pics of people who attended reunions or to get caught up on the news of your Simonds classmates, you will find them posted on the Simonds High School website: http://web1.nbed.nb.ca/sites/district8/sch

ools/sh/Pages/default.aspx. Click on the tab for Alumni and enjoy! NOTE: Where possible, several issues have been posted on our Simonds Alumni face book page as well.





### <u>Simonds High Football Reunion</u>

For decades, football has been a tradition and great player and spectator sport at Simonds. Through word-of mouth, social media, etc, the football alumni have remained in contact. To celebrate this football community, a HUGE reunion is being planned for Saturday, July 14, 2018. If registration so far is any indication, there should be a large turnout of former players and their families arriving for that weekend. Former players are coming from as far away as Alberta, Florida and Japan. Including spectators, there may be as many as 1000 in attendance! Two games will be played on that day. A game of touch football will be played at 1:00 PM, followed by a tackle game at 3:00 PM. There will be a barbeque, a beer tent, pass punt and kick competitions for kids, swag tables and and more. A Post Game Party Bash will be hosted at Amici (formerly the Barnwood Pub in Quispamsis) thanks to Dino Cippola (football '73 veteran). The cost to play is \$75 which will cover insurance, field rental and some Simonds football swag. If you would like to play, please contact the organizing group on their face book page, Simonds Football Alumni, or by email at simondshighfootball@rogers.com. Any funds from 50 / 50 draws and the BBQ will be passed on to the current Simonds football team. All former football players and fans are invited to join the festivities! This will be a great day of renewing friendships and reminiscing. Old football memories will be relived and new memories made. Lots of familiar names of players from the '70s and up will be present. The Simonds alumni will also be selling some of their swag (awesome engraved beer mugs!). Please bring cash as there is no ATM on site. Check out the reunion's events below. We invite you to join us - either on the field, or in the bleachers!

#### **FOOTBALL REUNION ITINERARY**

Thursday July 12: 6:00 - 8:00 registration, gear fitting (local guys)

Friday July 13: 4:30- 6:30 registration, gear fitting, 6:30 - 8:30 practice, going over 8-10 plays.

Sat July 14: registration and gear fitting 8:30 - 10:00

Players arrive at 10 AM. Warm up and stretch 10:15 -11:00, Practice 11:00-11:30.

BBQ starts at 11:00 and runs all day until 5:30

TOUCH GAME: Begins at 1:00

In between games we will have a pass punt and kick competition for the kids.

TACKLE GAME: Begins at 3:00

## Remember When...

In each issue, we will include a couple of pictures from years gone by at Simonds High School. For this section, we would like you to submit some of your favourite memories in pics from your high school years. Please send your pics to Tammy (Vautour) Kilpatrick at tamkilp@yahoo.ca or Judy (MacKnight) Chapman at judychapman44@gmail.com.

In this issue, we will highlight some pics from the Classes of 1978 and 1988, both of which are celebrating milestone reunions this coming summer. Below are some memories from the Class of 1978.



## WINTER CARNIVAL

FRONT ROW: Susan Corscadden, Karen McHugh Heather Atkinson, Karen Blois, Sylvia Mulhern. MIDDLE ROW: Kathy Mackin, Linda McAfee, Mike Todd, Lenore Messer, Susan Millett, Darlene Tracey, Judy Brown, Lori Lyons. BACK ROW: Jeff Legge, John Murphy, Brenda Noftell, Mary Lynn Bizzo, Lori Coleman, Cathy

#### SWIM TEAM

FRONT ROW: Mark Finnigan, Jim MacGillivray, Greg MacFarland, Rod MacIntyre, Dwayne Childs, Kerri-Dawn Kitchen.

MIDDLE ROW: Brenda Noftell, Peggy LaFontaine, Heather Farwell, Sheila Losier, Karen Chittick, Laurie Chittick, Joanna Day, Susan Millett, Harold Kierstead.

BACK ROW: Mike LeBlanc, Mike Dickson, Fern Bennett, Rick Todd, Peter Morneau, John Sanojca, Donna Moore, Mr. Dickson, Shelly Haslett, Brian Prosser, Larry MacGillivray, Shaun MacDonald.





#### FOOTBALL.

FRONT ROW: Kevin Clifford, Mike Montgomery, Greg Stewart, Kevin Beyea, Paul Doucette, George MIDDLE ROW: Peter McClusky, Mike Todd, Keith Arstrong, Fred Horgan, Chris Skinner, Mark O'Brien,

Dave Nice.

, Manager; Peter Collins, Manager; Chris McGee, Lane Armstrong, Peter Nobles,



#### YEARBOOK

FRONT ROW: Paul Jeffries, Lorie Pitt, Sonya Richard, Elizabeth Northcott, Bonnie Gillet, Mary Lynn Bizzo, Scott Flewelling. MIDDLE ROW: Jim Miller, Cathy Tracey, Susan Kelley, Lori Coleman, Kathy Mackin, Pat McCormick, Bonnie Butland, Tom McCauley. BACK ROW: Susan Vey, Shelly Haslett, Ann Sprague, Angela Gillen, Margot Rankin, Gale Perry, Claudia Mulhern.



# Reunion... Class of 1968



"Class of '68, we are still rockin it!! What a great 50<sup>th</sup> reunion we had at Riverside Golf and Country Club, June 16<sup>th</sup>. We had 117 people in attendance from B.C., Alberta, Ontario, PEI, NS and various points in NB. Our home town was well represented too. Live music was provided by Keith Armstrong and Jim Reid was our MC extraordinaire! Great tunes, great food, great conversation. See you at the 60<sup>th</sup>!" Submitted by Beth (Thomas) Roy



 $\operatorname{\mathsf{Jim}}$  Reid, Student Council President, acts as  $\operatorname{\mathsf{MC}}$ 



clockwise, from left, Arlene Cunningham (spouse of George), Gerry McQuinn, Pat McQuinn, Louise (Baxter) Lackie, Dale (Clements) McCarthy, Harriett (Craft) Savoie







Photo credits to Roger Savoie (retired Simonds teacher, Class of 1968)

Some videos of this event are available as well. If you are interested, please contact Roger Savoie at savoiroj@gmail.com

## Remember When...Class of 1988

A 30-year reunion will be held on July 7, 2018 at O'Malley's on Rothesay Avenue in Saint John



### CHEERLEADERS

ROW 1: Susan McDevitt, Tracey Denton, Jennifer Cornish, Krista Harley, Natalie Savoie, Shelly Baxter, Tammy Hansen.

ROW 2: Karen Humby, Lori Robichaud, Kelly Macllory, Sheri Wilkins, Violet Perry, Michelle Leclaire, Wendy Morgan.

ROW 3: Cindy Gallant, Carla Densmore, Dianne Gorman, Norma Webster, Carolyn Rankin, Susan Russell, Jennifer Martin, Tanya Sewell, Teena Beckwith, Miss MacDonald.



### WEIGHT LIFTING

ROW 1: Paul Garnett, Derek Cyr, David Wilson, Mark Perreault, Tom Elisseau, Philip Arsenault.

ROW 2: Vince Barter, Andrew Carson, Daryl Bailey. Peter Thorn, John Crawford, Mike Walton, Roger Gallant, Kim Cliche.

ROW 3: Terry McNamara, Naomi Adair, Rose-Anne Johnson, Jim Bannister, Wade Garnett, Jay Shillington, Dana Cormier, Peter Merrithew, Jason Nouwens, Dean Strowbridge, Cindy Gallant, Heather Brideau.

ROW 4: Ian Whittaker, Mark Ackerely, Jamie Goudreau, Reg Manzer, Cory Gallant, Stewart Cosman, Claude Boulanger, Steven Robinson, Brian Perreault, David Jarvis, Peter Debly, John Estey.



### **RUGBY CLUB**

ROW 1: Gary Woods, Jason Vautour, Ron Osmon, Stuart Cosman, Mike Walton, Tony Crowley, Jamie McLeod, John Estey.

ROW 2: Kenny Comeau, Jamie Sheffar, Wade Duplisea, Shawn Campbell, Mark Wahlman, John Crawford, Lloyd Fergestad, Derek Thopson, Mr. C.

ROW 3: Jason Gomke, Andrew Carson, Danny Ricketts, John Sullivan, Dwaine Martin, Cory Gallant, Peter Thorn, Ricky Barry, Daryl Bailey, Shane Nesbitt, Paul LaCombe.



## STUDENT COUNCIL

ROW 1: Susan Roy, Tracy Golding, Andrea Carle,

Dianne Gorman, Shane Nesbitt.

ROW 2: Paul Greene, Carla Densmore, Susan Russell,

Carolyn Rankin, Chris Richardson.

ROW 3: Cory Gallant, Stewart Cosman, Mark Crawley, Peter Thorn, Bruce Nesbit, Kevin Nickerson.



## SEABEES HOME & AWAY

Seabees Home & Away (or Milestones) 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. If possible, please try to include your graduation year with your submission.

Address any entries to Judy Chapman (judychapman44@gmail.com) or Tammy Kilpatrick (tamkilp@yahoo.ca). Alternately, entries may be mailed to Simonds High Alumni, 1490 Hickey Road, Saint John, NB, E2J 4E7 or sent as a message through our facebook group, Simonds High School Alumni.

Sara (Long) Driscoll (2010) and husband Nick Driscoll (2006) have moved to Houston, Texas from Calgary, Alberta. Sara works as an engineer at Exxon Mobile and Nick is a red seal automotive technician.

Steve Savoie (1978) and Sherry (Bradshaw) Savoie (1980) are the parents of five children. They celebrated with their family in Cuba at the wedding of their youngest daughter Shelby to and Neil Withers on April 6, 2018.

**\_Katie (Lawlor) Tibbetts (2005)** and husband Dan announce the birth of their twins Emmett James and Briar Theodore, born on April 24, 2018. They are younger brothers to Evan age 5 and Liam age 3. Dan works at Irving Oil. The lovely family lives in Grand Bay, NB.

**Rick Wood (2009)** has a lot to celebrate. He just graduated from Dalhousie Medicine New Brunswick and has been accepted into the Pathology residency program at Dalhousie in Halifax. As well, Rick just married Stephanie Totten on June 9, 2018. Stephanie is an x-ray technologist at the Saint John Regional Hospital.

Derek Clements (2007) will commence his Post-Doctoral fellowship at Stanford University in California. He will be continuing his research in the area of cancer immunology (myeloid cell derivatives). Dr. Clements completed his undergraduate degree in Microbiology and Immunology at Dalhousie University. At the same institution, he worked with Dr. Patrick Lee utilizing reovirus (a benign common cold virus) to selectively target and eliminate cancer. He has published numerous articles on his work. Derek received the Nova Scotia Health Research Foundation Masters Scholar and PhD Scholar awards as well as funding from the cancer training group. In the spring of 2018, Dr. Clements received the Graduate Student Excellence in Health Research Award from the Faculty of Medicine for his high quality research at Dalhousie. He had also been ranked in the top 1% across Canada when he received the Frederick Banting and Charles Best Canada Graduate Scholarship Doctoral Award; this award is only given to a few exceptional scientists each year.

Carly Baxter (2010) graduated from Dalhousie Medicine New Brunswick in the spring of 2018. She has accepted a position at the Isaac Walton Killam Hospital in Halifax.

**Carter Baxter (2012)** graduated from the University of New Brunswick in May 2018 with his Masters in Engineering after successfully defending his thesis on 3D printing of aluminum (additive manufacturing) in April. Carter works at Lorneville Mechanical in Saint John.

**Kelsey Clifford (2011)** and partner Matthew Berthelot have a new son, William Kevin Berthelot born May 9, 2018. Kelsey is a LPN for Horizon Health and Matt is a conductor at CN Rail. The happy couple live in Moncton, NB.

**Luke Parkhill (2008)** married Teanna Muir on June 16, 2018. Luke is a Chemical Engineering Technologist at Service New Brunswick and Teanna is a medical assistant and receptionist. They make their home in Norton, NB with their two dogs Ella and Koda.

Michael Fry (2005) graduated from Dalhousie Medicine New Brunswick this spring. This new doctor is heading to Halifax to do a combined Nuclear Medicine and Diagnostic Radiology residency at Dalhousie University. At present, Michael and his wife, Nicole live in the Saint John area where she works at Carnaghan Taylor Insurance.

**Sydney Bourque (2014)** and partner Matthew Quinlan have a son, Lane Anthony Quinlan, born on June 8, 2018. Sydney works at Bourque Industrial Ltd while Matt is a plumber at Select Mechanical Inc. They reside in the Saint John area.

Audrey (Nouwens) Stephen (1987) has been a teacher, vice principal and principal with the Thames Valley District School Board in London, Ontario area for several years. Prior to that, she taught in Ottawa Carleton. She was recently seconded to the Ministry of Education as a Student Achievement Officer. We congratulate Audrey on this achievement! Audrey and husband, Andrew (a Saint John High grad, ... but she forgives him for that!) have three sons Isaak (17), Jacob (15) and Sam (13). Even after all these years, Audrey has not lost her great sense of humor!

Cheryl (Carson) Smith (2006) and husband Sam Smith (2006) welcomed their second son, Elliot Reid Smith on May 20, 2018. Elliott has big brother, Isaac, 19 months old, looking out for him. Cheryl stays at home with her busy boys and Sam is a fuel handler at Point Lepreau. The family live in the Saint John area.

Emily Martin (2009) and Marc LeClair (2003) are thrilled to announce the birth of their son, Mathieu Alyre LeClair, born on June 21, 2018. Mathieu is named in honor of his wonderful uncle, Mathieu LeClair (2009) who passed away unexpectedly in 2012. Emily is a behaviour interventionist and Marc works for the City of Saint John. They reside in the Red Head area of Saint John.

Christina (Campbell) Good (2008) and husband Brett Good (2006) have a new arrival. Son Atticus was born in May 2018. He will be younger brother to Orion age 3. Christina is a paramedic with Ambulance New Brunswick. Brett is a carpenter with Local 1386. The happy family make Nauwigewauk their home.

**Keith Sproul (2007)** married Caitlin Wareham in Mexico on April 24, 2018. Keith is a mechanical engineer at Point Lepreau while Caitlin works as a registered cardiology technologist while completing her Bachelor of Nursing degree.

## **OBITUARIES**

Donald Young (1968) passed away at Bobby's Hospice on June 10, 2018 - less than a week before the 50-year reunion of his class. Donnie was employed by APM for 26 years; during the holiday seasons, he enjoyed time with family. He spent many hours at Saints Rest Beach and cheering on his beloved New York Yankees. Donnie is survived by his brother Byron, nieces, nephews and many good friends.

Andy Greenan (1970) passed peacefully on April 30, 2018. He worked at Hughes Surveys for many years. Andy was very athletic - playing baseball, hockey, soccer and golf. He had a great sense of humour and penchant for playing practical jokes. Andy was a great lover of rock music. He is survived by his son John and daughter Britteny.

Allen Rodgers (1971) passed away in Saint John on May 8, 2018. He is survived by his dad Arnold, sister Linda, three sons Jamie, Corey and Matthew and his special friend Doreen.

Sharon (Elliott) Clements (1971) passed away on April 30, 2018 in Saint John. She is survived by her husband, Danny Clements, sons Troy and Todd, brothers Larry, Greg and Daryl, three grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Wade McIntyre (1975) succumbed unexpectedly at his home on June 7, 2018. Wade was a foreman for the City if Saint John for over 25 years. He loved driving Harley Davidson motorcycles and going boating. Wade had a great sense of humour and was a good joketeller. He is survived by his son, Shane, daughter Amanda Rogers, brother Rodney, sister Roma Gigou and three grandchildren. Wade was a huge supporter of his Class of 1975, assisting with and attending its reunions over the years.

Kathie Quinlan (1979) passed away unexpectedly on May 11, 2018. She had worked at Nortel. Kathie had a great sense of humour and especially loved her game nights. She is survived by her brother Kevin and sister Geraldine Down as well as several other extended family members.



Tammy (O'Donnell) McCoy (1989) lost her battle with liver disease on May 23, 2018. Tammy worked for Home Hardware before she and her husband, David became owner / operators of McCoy's General Store in Upper Loch Lomond. Tammy was a devoted mom who enjoyed gardening, traveling, camping, fishing and doing anything else at which she could spend time with her family and friends. In addition to her husband, she is survived by her parents, daughter Gracey, son Kayden, sisters Sylvia Briggs and Stacey Davis and many other extended family members.

Robin Brown (2003) passed away in Saint John on May 15, 2018 after several months of poor health. He had worked at Catena Development Center. Robin was an avid hockey fan. He is survived by his mother, Kathy Brown, brother Jonathan, extended family Paul and Denise Baxter and their children Kyle and Jonathan.

Ron Horgan, beloved longtime Simonds teacher, passed away on May 19, 2018. He was instrumental in the development of the student Co-Op program at Simonds. Ron had so much patience and gave so much caring and love to his students: he was determined to provide them with the tools and opportunities so they could succeed in the workforce. In his personal time, Ron was a hobby chef and great entertainer. As well, he and his wife, Elizabeth were beautiful ballroom dancers; many times, people cleared the dance floor and watched in awe as they glided effortlessly across the floor. Ron was a man of great faith and a life long parishioner, and lector at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. He is survived by his daughter Angela Burke and two grandchildren.

#### New Email Address?

Are you receiving this newsletter which has been graciously forwarded by a friend or family member? Why not let us add your name to our Simonds Alumni distribution list so you may receive it directly? Please send your name (including maiden name), grad year and email address to Tammy Kilpatrick at tamkilp@yahoo.ca or Judy Chapman at judychapman44@gmail.com. If you have a new email address / changed internet providers, etc, don't forget to update us as well. Thank you.



## SIMONDS NOW!

#### **New Alumni**

Two members of the Class of 2018 (and new members of the Simonds alumni) are Kaleigh Wadden and Mark O'Connor. Mark, the Valedictorian of the class, has been awarded a \$32 000 scholarship (\$8000 / year for 4 years, renewable) to the University of New Brunswick where he will study Engineering. Kaleigh, the Salutatorian for the Class of 2018, will attend UNBSJ, for Science, in the fall; her ultimate goal is to pursue a degree in Pharmacy.









Terry Munn

## **Happy Retirement**

Simonds has lost three teachers this past year due to retirements. Rick Allain has taught many courses such as Science, Biology and French at Simonds; however, he felt most comfortable in the gym teaching Phys Ed and coaching teams. Gordie Gray was found in the Grade 9 wing. He taught primarily Grade 9 Science and Environmental Science. Terry Munn could be found teaching French and sharing his sense of humour with his students. We thank these three fine gentlemen for their service to the students and wish them all the best for happiness and good health in their retirement. Also leaving Simonds this year is teacher, Elizabeth Taylor. She has taught both English and Math at Simonds and has also been a Guidance Counsellor there. She will be assuming a fulltime guidance position at Harbourview High School. The students will miss this caring excellent teacher.



Gord Gray

Back to the 80's Musical was a huge success!! 5 days of singing, dancing and entertaining was what you got if you were able to check out this show! Simonds students blew audiences away with this production! Congrats to all the students involved!



April 24, 25, 26 7pm and April 28 7pm 29 2pm Tickets \$10 at Simonds High





I cannot believe that the end of the school year is here. It has been a great year that has been filled with hard work, commitment and dedication by many volunteers. We have got a lot accomplished this year! Our Wall of Remembrance was built and we are filling it with lots of memories and pictures from our Memorial Grove. The front garden by the gym doors has been cleaned up in time for our graduating students. The signs which greet us as we drive into our school have been cleaned up and replaced to show our pride as you drive in, and the new trees have been planted along the side of the gym in our Memorial Grove. We are hoping these steps in beautifying our property are enjoyed by past, present and future alumni as we continue to work with the school in outdoor initiatives.

Now that summer is here, our small group will take a few months off from meetings, as we do each year, but that doesn't mean we stop with our efforts. You'll find us as high school reunions, alumni events and other activities that involve our school.

I would like to express thanks and gratitude for all who have contributed towards the success of our current students. Thank you for the time you have given to support our school and our growing alumni. Thank you for the monetary donations you have put forth, whether it be with the Memorial Grove, the school breakfasts, alumni events, scholarships, etc. and the list goes on. We appreciate YOU! Your dedication and support has not gone unnoticed.

Thanks again for a wonderful year! Have a fantastic summer!

Sincerely,

Tammy Kilpatrick Simonds High Alumni Committee