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Cover: Conor Brown tests his skill with the discus. The Grade 7 Greek Olympiad was held on May 9 this year. Due to construction of the new playing field, the athletic events took place at Pemberton Park.

From the Head

Simon Bruce-Lockhart, Head of School

We live in a very challenging time. I would guess that people from other generations and/or other places who lived or are living through terrible human tragedies might look at that statement with a degree of disdain, given the historically unique level of prosperity and peace we here and now enjoy. But one of our greatest challenges is that we are facing enormous potential difficulties without any experience of dealing with such difficulties—and so much hangs in the balance!

I needn't go into the details of global climate change, the threat of terrorism, or the shifting economic forces of globalization here, as my amateur reflections have little to add to the discussion. I CAN focus in on the well-trying truth that our students are inheriting a world in which change is constant, is accelerating at an alarming rate, and is leading to a future that none of us can predict. Educating them to be prepared to take charge of that world is a daunting challenge. We can begin by ensuring that our students are more comfortable with change than we are, and that they strive to become agents of change. To do so entails giving them solid values that reach beyond their self-interest, and skills that reach beyond those traditionally taught in school curricula.

Several articles in this edition of *Traditions* are particularly germane to the conversation. They focus on the themes of sustainability and extraordinary accomplishment.

Sustainability is more than a current buzzword. In its broadest sense—and that is where we need to begin—it means creating a system of living that ceases to swallow the world's non-renewable resources. How incredibly obvious and simple that sounds, but what an extraordinary challenge we are handing off to our children—one that we have failed miserably to meet! From the school's point of view, there is one great benefit to this: focusing on the creation of sustainable practices is an age neutral process. We the teachers need to be very much the students in this endeavour, alongside our students—collaborative partners in a development new to the great majority of us regardless of age. Learning together to this extent is an exciting venture that is, in my estimation, a very necessary model for educating in the early 21st century, for the mid 21st century.

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The other focus here is extraordinary achievement. Having been involved in education since 1972, I have no hesitation in saying that students at GNS have a) an extraordinary breadth of opportunities that didn't exist a generation ago; b) a greater individual sense of following their passions; and c) a greater appetite to reach out in various ways and excel in areas that are beyond their self-interest. We need to build on those aspects and to ensure that they apply significantly to every one of our students.

This IS a most challenging time to be an educator and—if we do as well as we intend—a most rewarding one as well. 🐾



Simon Bruce-Lockhart in Peru with Dan Rampling, Marysia Grzybowski and Stewart Jensen at the Young Round Square of the Americas Conference (February 2008). A report on this conference can be found on page 11.



GNSS Board of Governors 2008/2009.
 Back row, left to right: Donja Blokker-Dalquist, John Kuehne, James Ballantyne, Douglas Easton and Steven McKerrell.
 Middle row, left to right: Brian de Clare, Simon Bruce-Lockhart (ex-officio), William Patterson and Hugh Ruthven.
 Front row, left to right: Shelagh Rinald, Chris Denford, Katy Hutchison, Elizabeth Taylor (ex-officio) and Kristina Campbell.
 Missing: Eric Denhoff, Deborah George and Steven Kelliher.

Board of Governors 2008/2009

Officers for the upcoming year:

Doug Easton – Chair

Donja Blokker-Dalquist – Vice Chair

John Kehune – Secretary

Committee Chairs for the upcoming year:

Brian de Clare – Finance

Eric Denhoff – Audit

Kristina Campbell – Governance

Katy Hutchison – Nominating

Deborah George – Strategic Planning

From the Board

Doug Easton, Chair

Summer has now arrived after a year of extraordinary accomplishments at Glenlyon Norfolk School. Under the leadership of our Head of School, Simon Bruce-Lockhart, and our Board Chair, Kristina Campbell, we completed—ahead of schedule—the implementation of the school's first three-year Operational Plan based on our 2006 Strategic Plan. This Operational Plan put into effect strategies designed to accomplish the major goals of the strategic plan. The following lists three highlights of the Operational Plan:

- GNS has become the first school in BC and one of only five in Canada to have obtained IB certification for Junior Kindergarten through Grade 12.
- The first phase of the Campus Transformation, discussed in *Traditions Winter 2008*, has been implemented. Those of you who have driven along Richmond Road will have seen that the much anticipated artificial turf playing field is under construction. Having an artificial turf field is another first for an independent school on Vancouver Island. The field will be ready to welcome our students back to school in September.
- The school's strong financial performance and enrollment. Glenlyon Norfolk School finished the year with a small surplus and strong enrollment numbers.

With the first Operational Plan now complete, this fall the Board of Governors will focus its attention on

- a new three-year Operational Plan, headed by new board member Dr. Deborah George;
- ensuring the continued financial strength of the school under the leadership of incoming Finance Chair Brian de Clare; and
- continuing to move forward on the Campus Transformation in a fiscally responsible manner.

Ultimately, the reason for all the plans and the work of the Board is to try and ensure that our students, teachers, and school administration have the facilities, resources, and environment they need to be successful.

As this year ends, we must say goodbye and congratulations to our graduating class: the Board of Governors is proud of your accomplishments, and there is no doubt in our minds that you will make a difference in the world! Remember to keep in touch, and come back and visit. You are our inspiration for making a difference at the school.

It is not only to our graduating students that we must say goodbye. Changes to the Board are also happening. I must start by extending the Board's and my personal appreciation to our longest serving Governor and retiring Board Chair, Kristina Campbell. Kristina's leadership, determination, and tenacity have served as an inspiration to Governors past and present. Kristina's accomplishments are numerous, and while Kristina is stepping down as Chair to allow her time to complete her university degree, she has agreed to take on the leadership role of Chair of the Governance Committee, in addition to her role as immediate Past Chair—thank you Kristina!

The Board of Governors must also say goodbye to three long-standing Governors: Dawna Bailey, Robin Baird, and Peter Gustavson. Your contributions have been invaluable, and I trust that you leave with a sense of accomplishment—you have made a difference.

As we say goodbye, we also welcome three new Governors: James Ballantyne, Katy Hutchison, and Deborah George. Katy Hutchison and Deborah George have agreed to chair the Nominating and Strategic Planning Committees, respectively. All existing Board members look forward to working with the three new Governors and benefiting from their strengths and the energy they bring to the Board.

Finally, thank you to everyone, both Governors and community members, who have served on Board Committees this last year. Enjoy your summer! 🍷

Board of Governors 2008/2009

James Ballantyne

James Ballantyne and his wife Vicky moved to Victoria four years ago from Calgary. They have three children at GNS, Will, Hamish, and Finley, who attend the senior, middle, and junior schools respectively.

James is in the hospitality business, currently as owner of a pub in Calgary, and in the past as the developer of a micro-brewery/restaurant. Additionally, he has been involved in real estate investment and development for over 20 years, primarily in the commercial and multi-family areas.

James lived in Victoria in the late seventies and attended Brentwood College before studying General Arts at Trent University.

Donja Blokker-Dalquist, Vice-Chair

Donja Blokker-Dalquist has a daughter in Grade 11 at GNS and another daughter, who is a recent graduate.

Donja is completing her fourth year on the Board. Donja is Chair of both the GNS Advancement and Facilities Committees. She is a Past President of the GNS Parents' Auxiliary and an active volunteer at GNS.

Donja holds a BA in English Literature and an MA in Education from Stanford University. She was also a licensed real estate broker (California). Since 1994, she has served on several other Boards, most recently, the Whittier Family Executive Board and the Mericos Foundation.

Kristina Campbell, Past-Chair

Kristina Campbell has a daughter (Grade 9) and a son (Grade 11) attending GNS and a son who is a Class of 2008 graduate—all "lifers."

Kristina is in her seventh year as a Governor and has held the office of Chair for the past two and a half years. She has extensive experience on GNSS Board committees and is Past Chair of the Nominating and Advancement Committees. In addition, Kristina was a Trustee of the GNS Foundation and is a Past President of the GNS Parents' Auxiliary.

Kristina is currently a student at the University of Victoria and is completing a Bachelor's degree in Fine Arts.

Brian de Clare, Treasurer

Brian de Clare and his wife Mia have four sons (Robert, Christian, Mikey, and Danny); three attend GNS in Grades 6, 11, and 12.

The de Clare family moved to Canada from England in 2004, where Brian set up Global Energy Horizons, a boutique investment house offering advice and investment to newly emerging alternative "green" technologies. Brian also coaches the senior rugby squad. He is also a Governor of Discovery School and President of Oak Bay Sea Rescue.

Previous roles include Chairman of the Risk Management Committee for the World Bank and member of the London Metal Exchange Warehousing Committee, the Advisory Board at the London Financial Futures Exchange, and the City of London branch of Guide Dogs for the Blind.

Brian is completing his second year on the GNSS Board, and he chairs the GNS Finance Committee.

Chris Denford

Chris Denford is an alumnus of Glenlyon School ('82) and a graduate of the University of Victoria (BA: English and Economics).

Chris and his father operate a number of businesses associated with the development industry. Their company Berwick Retirement Communities specializes in the retirement housing sector. Some aspects that Chris coordinates are space planning, design, and marketing.

Chris and his wife Anne have four children; three attend Glenlyon in Kindergarten and Grades 2 and 3. The fourth looks forward to joining them in the future.

Chris has served on the Facilities Planning Committee and is completing his first year on the Board. A past member of the City of Victoria's Design Panel, Chris currently sits on the Board of the Victoria Kiwanis.

Eric Denhoff

Eric Denhoff has two children at GNS: a son in Grade 8 and a daughter in Grade 4.

Eric is completing his fourth year on the GNSS Board of Governors.

He is Chairman of the executive search firm InterSearch Canada and has held several senior level positions with the Government of British Columbia, including three Deputy Minister positions; as well, he serves as Chief Treaty Negotiator for the Government of Canada and was previously Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of BC Transit.

Eric has also served in senior positions within the private sector, including Chairman of SNC-Lavalin's BC Advisory Board, Chief Negotiator for BC Hydro, and in international trade with the forest industry and engineering industry.

Eric has been a director of organizations such as the Victoria Hospice, BC Women's Hospital Foundation, Greater Victoria Hospital Board, and the Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters Association.

Douglas Easton, Chair

Doug Easton has a daughter, Elspeth, in Grade 11 at GNS.

Doug is completing his sixth year on the GNSS Board. He holds a BSc (Hons) and an MA (Econometrics) from the University of Victoria and is a graduate of the Executive Program from the Richard Ivey School of Business.

Doug is currently the Director, Planning and Engineering BC at TELUS Communications and is the TELUS Director for both BC One Call and the BC Common Ground Alliance. He also serves as Treasurer on both Boards.

Doug is the current GNSS Board Chair and serves on the Finance Committee. Doug has also served as Board Secretary and on the Audit and Head's Information Technology Committees.

Deborah George

Deborah George attended Norfolk House from Grade 3 to 10. Her son Geoffrey Smith is a GNS 'lifer', who graduated in 1996.

Deborah worked for the BC provincial government for 17 years until 2000. Most of her career was in the area of science and technology. She was an Assistant Deputy Minister for seven years and also served in the Premier's Office and the ministries responsible for small business, health, and children and families. She holds a PhD in psychology from the University of Victoria and continues to lecture there part-time in the Department of Psychology.

Past and current board appointments include Science World, the BC Health Research Association, UVic Board of Pension Trustees, and Pacifica Housing Advisory Association. She volunteers with the Victoria Hospice Society and co-chairs the annual Victoria Conservatory of Music Garden Tour.

Katy Hutchison

Katy Hutchison has both a son and daughter in Grade 10 at GNS.

Katy grew up in Victoria and completed her BA at Simon Fraser University. Her initial experience was in transportation, manufacturing, and community economic development.

Katy is now a professional speaker, author, and restorative justice advocate. While her main focus is on youth and social responsibility, Katy is a sought-after speaker in the law enforcement, social service, education, and health care sectors.

In addition to previous Board positions with the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria and Children's International Summer Villages program, Katy has sat on the Nominating Committee at GNS.

Steven Kelliher

Steven Kelliher has a son in Grade 11 at GNS.

Steven is in his sixth year as a Governor. His main activities on the Board have involved matters of risk analysis and related legal issues.

Steven has practiced law in Victoria for 29 years. His principal areas of practice are criminal law and plaintiff's personal injury litigation as well as professional discipline. He also acts as counsel before the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and is one of the few Canadians on the List of Counsel for the International Criminal Court. He is a Director of the International Criminal Defense Lawyers Association and is Vice-President of the International Criminal Bar.

John Kuehne, Secretary

John is married with one son entering Grade 5 at GNS.

John is the President of SmallCap Corporate Partners Inc., a Venture Capital and Management Consulting firm. Before establishing his own firm, John was Chief Financial Officer of Doman Industries Limited, a Canadian forest products company on the Island, and also worked for Deloitte & Touche in Edmonton and Chicago.

John holds a BComm from the University of Alberta and a Masters of Management from Northwestern University. John qualified as a Chartered Accountant in Canada (1983) and in the US (1985).

John has served for one year on the GNS Finance Committee. He has and continues to serve as a director on the boards of various Canadian and American public and not-for-profit companies.

Steven McKerrell

Both of Steve McKerrell's daughters are GNS graduates: Tricia ('02) and Dianne (a 'lifer', '04).

Steve is the Executive Chairman of Swiss Herbal Remedies, a leader in the Canadian and international nutraceutical industry, and manages other personal business interests.

Steve and his wife Barbara have been active in many roles at the school during the course of their girls' studies.

Steve is completing his second year as a Governor. He is a founding member of Arts Sustainability Victoria and is a member of the Board of Directors and Chair of Finance for the Victoria Foundation, and Chair of the New Building Committee for the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria.

William Patterson

William Patterson has a son in Grade 11 at GNS and one who graduated from the school. Both have attended GNS since Kindergarten.

William is completing his third year as a Governor and is a member of the Strategic Planning and the Facilities Committees.

William has a BA in Art and Architectural History from the University of Victoria. He has been owner/operator of the Citta Group since 1985. Citta Group is a commercial and residential construction, development, and design group of companies. He has considerable experience in heritage restoration and planning experience from his work in old town Victoria.

William has served on the City of Victoria Design Panel, the Heritage Advisory Committee, and the Parks Advisory Board.

Shelagh Rinald

Shelagh Rinald is married with two sons at GNS in grades 7 and 10.

Born and raised in Vancouver, Shelagh graduated at the head of the 1986 UBC Bachelor of Commerce class. She then obtained designations as a Chartered Accountant, Certified Financial Planner, and Trust and Estate Practitioner. She has worked in accounting for over 20 years and currently works in the Victoria office of Grant Thornton LLP.

Shelagh is completing her fifth year as Governor. She is a past member of the Advancement Committee, Past Chair and member of the Audit Committee, and Past Treasurer of the GNS Foundation. Shelagh is currently the Treasurer of the Society and Chair of the Finance Committee. She is also a Board member and Treasurer for the Duke of Edinburgh's Awards, BC Division, and Chair of the Vancouver Island Chapter of the Canadian Association of Family Enterprise.

Hugh Ruthven

Hugh Ruthven attended Glenlyon School from 1969 until 1975. After 20 years in Vancouver, Hugh and his family returned to his hometown of Victoria. He is a graduate of the British Columbia Institute of Technology with an honours diploma in Marketing.

Hugh is completing his third year as a Governor and is Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Marketing. He is the owner and CEO of Intuition Brand Planning. Hugh was the Director of Marketing for McDonald's Restaurants Canada and the Executive Vice-President, Managing Director of Palmer Jarvis DDB, during which time DDB was ranked as Canada's top creative agency for seven consecutive years.

Two New Trustees for the GNS Foundation

The GNS Foundation welcomes two new members to the Board of Trustees, Eric Donald and Peter Gustavson.



Eric Donald attended Glenlyon, where he was Head Boy, and then went on to Brentwood College and the University of Victoria. After graduating in 1969 with an economics degree, Eric spent 32 years at the Bank of Montreal, progressing through the ranks until his retirement as regional vice-president in May 2000. Since then, he has provided management services to small and medium-sized businesses. Eric has served on many boards including UVic's, as Chair of the Board of Governors, the Friends of the Royal BC Museum, the David Foster Foundation, and Science World British Columbia. He is also a Director of UVic Properties Ltd.



Peter Gustavson is the Founder, Chairman, and Chief Executive Officer of Custom House Ltd., the largest non-bank foreign exchange provider in North America with 50 branches in Australia, Canada, Italy, New Zealand, Singapore, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Previously, Peter was a Partner with Gustavson Shaffer, Chartered Accountants. He sits on the boards of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, the Royal British Columbia Museum, the UVic Faculty of Commerce Advisors, and the GNS Society (until June 2008). Peter chaired the UVic Business Distinguished Entrepreneur of the Year Award Dinner and is President and Chair of the Canadian Foreign Exchange Dealers' Association. In 2006, he became a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of BC; in 2005, he was awarded the Business Examiner Lifetime Achievement Award and in 2002 he was chosen as Ernst and Young's Entrepreneur of the Year. Peter holds his Bachelor of Commerce with Honours in Accounting and Marketing from the University of Manitoba.

The other Trustees are Sarah Angus, David Brooks, Gordon Denford, Bob Drury, David Fitzpatrick, Nick Gudewill, Bruce Homer, Tav Macpherson, Stuart Piets, David Schneider, and Hamish Simpson. The GNS Foundation holds and invests funds held in the Foundation's Scholarship and Bursary Endowment. In 2007/2008, the annual grant to the school was approximately \$60,000.

Parents' Auxiliary Year End Report

**Carolyn Taylor and Vicky Ballantyne,
Co-Presidents, Parents' Auxiliary 2007/2008**

It has been another fabulous year for the GNS Parents' Auxiliary. Not only did we raise just over \$125,000, we had a lot of fun along the way. Many thanks to all of our extraordinary volunteers, with a special nod of appreciation to Donja Blokker-Dalquist, who convened the wonderful Dickens Faire, and to Mary Anne Marchildon and Sue Siluch, the wedding planners extraordinaire, who dreamt up the parent event, "Tie the Knot."

The newly elected Executive for next year will include the following:

Sue Siluch – President
Nicola Komlodi – Secretary
Mary Anne Marchildon – Treasurer
Jenny McLeod – Senior Liaison
Lindiann Hopkins – Middle Liaison
Alex O'Brien – Junior Liaison

We have enjoyed working with you all and being part of this thriving community. Wishing you a happy and restful summer, and see you all in the fall at the Welcome Back Barbecue. 🍷



Sandy Beach (Kathryn Wild) and Pemberton Woods (David Graham) say their vows.



Sue Siluch and Mary Anne Marchildon are ready to greet their guests.



Jackie Wheaton, Diana Life and Joanne Nishimura-Mahrt as matching bridesmaids.



Ashish Sudhakaran, Kate Bruce-Lockhart and Claire Butterfield.

Gift of the Gab, or Gifted Gabbers?

Heather Lapper, Public Speaking Coach

It has been an outstanding year for GNS public speakers. In October, at the International Independent Schools Public Speaking Competition, the GNS team, comprised of Ashish Sudhakaran (Grade 11), Claire Butterfield (Grade 11) and Kate Bruce-Lockhart (Grade 12), competed against 120 other students representing over 40 schools from the UK, Canada, the USA, Bermuda and Cyprus. Our GNS team came 1st in the tournament, as well as 1st in Canada. The students placed 2nd, 3rd and 6th overall. In addition, Kate Bruce-Lockhart was the top Canadian speaker, and Ashish Sudhakaran was the top under 16 speaker of the tournament. All three students qualified to represent Canada at the World Individual Debating and Public Speaking Championship in April in Stuttgart, Germany.

At the Worlds tournament in Germany, Ashish Sudhakaran represented GNS as part of the Canadian team. This competition hosted over 150 competitors from more than 14 countries. Ashish was a finalist in three of his four categories and placed 2nd in persuasive speaking and 6th overall.

Later in April, GNS competed at the Western Canada Public Speaking Tournament where our students once again gabbed their way to the top. Our two junior students received outstanding results. Emma Hutchison (Grade 9) came 1st, earning a place at the National Public Speaking Tournament next February in Winnipeg. Jordan Williams-Yuen (Grade 9) placed 3rd in the tournament. In the senior category, Jesse Lupini (Grade 11) placed 4th, and Iain Belcher (Grade 11) placed 5th overall.

In addition, at the provincial debating tournament in the early spring, Emily Rogers (Grade 11) placed 1st in the Senior Speech Competition and will also represent GNS and BC at the National Public Speaking Tournament next February in Winnipeg. Of the four British Columbia representatives at this tournament, two are from Glenlyon Norfolk School!

Yes, these students have an inherent gift of the gab—why else would they want to write, memorize and present a 13 minute persuasive speech, memorize, and rehearse a ten minute long dramatic monologue, and most intimidating of all, stand in front of a panel of judges and speak logically, coherently, and engagingly for up to four minutes on a topic that they have just pulled out of a hat, two minutes before? All this preparation, rehearsing, and writing is in addition to their regular homework load and family responsibilities. The provincial, national, and international recognition these students have received this year truly attests to our strong public speaking program at GNS. 🍷

This Year Was NOT Debatable!

John Baty
GNS Debate Coordinator

This year was a “mighty good year” for debate. In addition to the research, listening, critical thinking, writing, oral, and leadership skills developed in its members, the “five year plan” came to fruition. Our club swelled from 40 to 70 members and really showed its colours.

Starting at an event hosted by SMUS, experienced and new debaters were a dominant force. Thereafter, our performances at the Independent Schools event at West Point Grey and the Simon Bruce-Lockhart event at Shawnigan generated a wide array of awards. But the greatest regular season day was when we were represented in the semi-finals of the Golden Gnome at Oak Bay by three of our teams. Andrew Komlodi and Ethan Lustig received the strongest endorsement from the House as they won the Grand Final. All of this was interlaced by the fall weekend workshop, a series of mini-workshops, and the four-event in-school Chatterton Cup.

Overriding this “regular” season was a plethora of other successes. Ashish Sudhakaran tried out to be on the BC team to qualify for the 2009 Worlds in Greece and, through this qualifier and subsequent successes, was designated as an alternate for Team Canada. Augmenting this success was the fact that three of our debaters—Emily Rogers, Chris Koziol-Neumann, and Ashish Sudhakaran—were chosen to act as BC representatives to the Western Canada Debating Seminar in Edmonton. There, all three were well up in the top ten placements and Ashish won the top award.

The year ended with GNS dominating the Regional Debating Championships and sending 17 debaters to Provincials, where we won medals in all classes with Jennie Losie and Ashish dominating the Grand Final and Emily Rogers winning the Provincial Speech Award. From this event, three teams—Jennie and Ashish, Chris Koziol-Neumann and Emily Rogers, as well as Andrew Komlodi and Ethan Lustig—were selected by BC Debate to travel with Mr. Baty to the National Team Debating Championships in Calgary where they all had a good first appearance.

Shortly thereafter, our eight-person mock trial team went out to defend their title at the annual GNS Provincial Mock Trial Championships hosted at the courthouse only to score silver in an intense trial final, judged by BC Supreme Court Justice Keith Bracken.

Finally—and as the vanguard of a new outreach by GNS Debate—Colleen McCutcheon and Elspeth Easton did us proud by offering a keynote debate designed to provoke discussion and solutions at a local forum on homelessness. Other debaters to whom awards were granted this year include Josef Svorkdal, Ryley Erickson, Lauren Hogan, Paige McMillan, Alex Koziol-Neumann, Jean Strong and Hillary Pearson.

What raised this year to a level that was truly “special” however was the fact that GNS hosted the Provincial Law Foundation Cup Debating Championships. The best and the brightest debaters selected through six separate regional championships descended on our “cozy” school community to determine who would rise above the others. Mr. Baty, as organizer, received top-notch support from key committee members Mrs. Komlodi, Mrs. Rogers, and Mrs. Frost, as well as his co-organizers Michelle Baty and Ann Baty. This crew, with the support of many others, offered a two-day experience that involved 164 debaters, 200 judges, 50 coaches, and 50 chairpersons who in total literally filled-up every room on both campuses. Ultimately, the two-day event garnered a

myriad of positive comments such as “the food and accommodations were great,” “the judging was good,” “this was the best ever,” and “we want to come back.” This good feeling was augmented by a banquet of 300 well-dressed guests at the Marriott Ballroom who had the opportunity to watch a storybook final in which the best two teams in the province came head to head with our own GNS team reigning supreme.

As a final corollary to the year, GNS was selected as the host of the 2010 National Debating Championships, a two-day event about the same size as the Provincials but with that extra flavour of provincial pride thrown into the mix. And good times will happen again in April 2010! 🐾



Parent volunteers sign in debaters at the Provincial Tournament.



Ashish Sudhakaran and Jennifer Losie during the Provincial Debate Tournament.

An Athlete Fanfare to Herald in the New Playing Field

Stuart Brambley, GNS Archivist

At how many assemblies, as a student and teacher, have I listened to the words of Heads and coaches extol the virtues of Erasmusian thought while offering their own interpretation of “*Let them never so much with their blasphemous words boast themselves?*” Particularly, when consolation seemed necessary and even when success could be celebrated, they would underplay the winning and glorify the importance of participation and effort. Virtuous indeed, but rarely accepted by smaller ears, for most of those young aspirants really, really, really wanted to win!

The Duke of Wellington supposedly said: “The Battle of Waterloo was won on the playing fields of Eton.” This is usually taken to mean that the British, under Wellington, were able to defeat the French, under Napoleon, at Waterloo, because of the discipline and ethos of organized games and sports, learned by his officers on the playing fields of Eton College. Although this may be popularly believed as true, there is some degree of skepticism over its reliability. Wellington was credited to have said these words by Charles Montalembert in his *De l’Avenir Politique de l’Angleterre* a full three years after Wellington’s death in 1855, and also, there was little in the way of organized sport at Eton at that time, most activities being more like free-for-all-fighting than organized games—which may have been why Montalembert said what he said!

Anyway, maybe the new GNS playing field will gain similar notoriety in years to come and be given credit for nurturing the talents of some Canadian heroes whose will to win outweighed their elders’ message for effort and participation! For now, let it suffice to say that the playing field under construction at the Pemberton Woods Campus is exciting and a long-awaited addition to GNS facilities. But it is not of itself a guarantee to produce better athletes and sports teams. What it will do is place GNS on a more “level playing field” with other schools in Victoria, on the Island, and in the province, provide an attractive reason for students to come to the school, as well as be an improved facility for those who have already made that choice. New facilities

encourage and allow for the delivery of not only tried and tested programs but also new and improved ones. With excellent instruction and coaching, GNS teams and individuals will have a wonderful opportunity to progress to greater achievements, both during their school days and as future alumni/ae.

The last time I checked, I counted over 30 athletes who were students at GNS (or its founding member schools, Glenlyon and Norfolk House), who, in spite of possibly unintentional efforts to mollify their competitive instincts, moved on to be selected for their country at junior or senior international level competition. I stand to be corrected on any errors or omissions and would like to hear from anyone out there in *Traditions*-land about those they know of. It is an impressive array of talent and, although some of them may quietly suggest that their selection was not because of any particular sporting opportunity at school, I am sure they would all agree that they gained some element of character that has benefited them by taking to the playing fields of Shady Lane, Windsor Park, or Pemberton Woods.

Natalie Appleton, Ian Auld, Jon Benskin, Colin Bonneau, Iain Brambell, James Brambell, Matt Brooks, Susan Butt, Ian Cooper, Craig Doell, Marius Felix, Mark Fellner, Emma Ferguson, Robert Fontaine, Jessie Frender, Alex Glegg, Peter Jawl, Geordie Lyall, Georgia McGillivray, Mike Paget, Matt Pettinger, Derek Porter, Rick Roberts, Jack Rowe, Matt Taddy, Bob Tennant, Margaret Todd (Sutcliffe), Jan Urban, Peter Vallance, Bob Wheaton, Chris Whittaker, Ty Whittaker, Taylor Willms, and Darryl Yung have all represented the Maple Leaf with pride and given of their best, most in play, some in support. It is with an equal sense of pride that we now salute them for their accomplishments, thank them for not always accepting our well-meaning words in assembly, and recognize them as the forerunners of GNS’s future outstanding athletes.¹

The idea of involvement in sport as a form of recreation, essential for the physical, social, emotional, and psychological development of young people, has been the basis of curriculum



Bob Wheaton, c. 1958.

for well over a hundred years, and maybe those goals intentionally mirrored the ideals of the Modern Olympics developed by Baron Pierre de Coubertin. He certainly believed that the best way to develop the minds of young people was to develop their bodies as well. He hoped his new Olympic Games would bring back the ideals of physical, mental, and spiritual excellence displayed in the ancient Games, as well as build courage and truthfulness for all who participated.

*If you wish in the world to advance,
Your merits you’re bound to enhance,
You must stir it and stump it,
And blow your own trumpet,
Or, trust me, you haven’t a chance!*

From Gilbert & Sullivan’s *Ruddigore*

Now, with the start of the Beijing XXIX Olympiad only days away, what better time to also recognize and applaud past Olympians who have graced the corridors and playing fields of GNS or its founding member schools. In all honesty, as a school, we probably had little influence upon their chosen athletic disciplines but why not, like Sir Ruthven Murgatroyd advised, “Blow our own trumpet” anyway and play an Olympic Athlete Fanfare in their honour?

Euphoria and devastation, exhilaration and fatigue, performance enhancements and competing clean are just a few of the double-edged swords that young athletes have to face

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¹ Thirteen current or past staff have also represented their country: Stuart Brambley, Bob Britten, Tassy Davidson, Jim de Goede, Jason Dorland, Sandy Drever, Jenny John, Rick Lidstone, Christine Miklitz, Paul O’Callaghan, Penny Stamper, Veryan Wolsak, and Judy Woodward.

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during their careers and never more so than at the highest level of their athletic endeavours, the Olympic Games. The vast majority of us cannot imagine what it is like to face these challenges, and, for most athletes, it is not something they even prepare for, as it can introduce negative thoughts into their finely tuned competitive psyches.

Interestingly enough, it is probably at school that athletes have the best opportunity to develop a good sporting attitude and appreciate the importance of participation, and it is really this understanding that those "wise and ancient ones" were so passionate about and wished to encourage during those assemblies.

Bob Wheaton has the distinction of being our school's first Olympian. He attended Glenlyon School from 1950 to 1955. And one of his sons, Fraser, attended GNS from 1986 to 1989. After early years of recreational swimming in Shawnigan Lake—and no doubt a few occasions when Major Simpson would insist upon the boys taking an invigorating dip in Oak Bay—Bob was convinced at the age of 14 to try competitive swimming. Under the guidance of legendary YMCA coach Archie McKinnon, he quickly showed adeptness to the sport and stunned onlookers at the Beaver-Elk Lake swim by winning in record time. Emerging as a backstroke specialist, Bob shattered Canadian junior and senior records and at 16 captured a bronze and silver at the British Empire Games at Cardiff in 1958. In 1959, he won the Sid Thomas Memorial Award as Victoria's outstanding amateur athlete, beat his own Canadian 100-metre record, and won silver in the relay at the Pan Am Games held in Chicago. As a member of the Canadian Olympic team in Rome, 1960, Bob narrowly missed



Marius Felix, 1972.

the individual final but helped the Canadian medley team finish 4th. He was inducted into the Greater Victoria Sports Hall of Fame in 2003.

Marius Felix was a "victim" of his country's support for the political boycott of Moscow's 1980 Olympics. The mind of an athlete who spent years of dreaming and preparation for his ultimate goal of competing in an Olympics and then have it dashed by a political gesture two months before the Opening Ceremony, could only be truly understood by the athlete himself, but I imagine it was devastating! Marius was a student at Glenlyon from 1971 to 1974. A tall and versatile athlete at school, he became an outstanding rugby player, playing for Canada on four occasions between 1984 and 1997 as a lock forward. He learned his rowing while at the University of Washington and was selected for the Canadian Eight to compete in Moscow. Eventually, he returned to and continues at his "other" school, Brentwood College, as a teacher and coach since 2002.

Mark Fellner, one of four brothers to attend, went to Glenlyon from 1965 to 1967. Although involved in many sports at school, he was by his own admission not much of a swimmer. It was in this sport that he was named to two Olympic teams in the 90s. He developed his interest and qualification as a teacher through coaching swimming and successfully mentored swimmers to the 1984, 1992, and 1996 Olympics, going himself as an assistant swimming coach on two occasions. Mark is a progressive thinker in the world of competitive swimming and gives many clinics around the world to help and encourage others.

Derek Porter stroked the Canadian Eight at the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona and stroked the team to a glorious gold medal. Derek joined



Derek Porter, 1982.

Glenlyon in 1976 and stayed until 1983. He was a good athlete, excelling in track and cross-country. After years of going forwards, that natural endurance was to see its own reward going backwards in the rowing shell. Derek achieved further international successes by winning the World Championship single sculls in 1993, silver at the Atlanta Olympics in 1996, and a bronze at the Pan-Ams in 1999. He competed at his third Olympics in Sydney in 2000 and finished 4th.

Darryl Yung was at GNS during its inaugural year 1986–87, following his older brother Gerald. After two successful years on the national badminton scene in 1993 and 1994, highlighted by playing in the Commonwealth Games in Victoria, Darryl was rewarded with a place on the World Championship team and a gold medal at the 1995 Pan-Am Games. These further successes led to his place on the Olympic team in Atlanta where he finished in the top 16. Darryl attended a second Commonwealth Games in Kuala Lumpur in 1998 before ending his playing career and turning to coaching in Richmond, BC.

Iain Brambell attended both Glenlyon and GNS from 1979 to 1987. He joined the National rowing team as a junior member in 1994, rowing at the Commonwealth Regatta in Victoria and gaining a bronze in the Lightweight Fours. He quickly rose through the ranks, gaining his first senior international spot in 1997 for his first of eight World Championships. In 1998, he rowed with his older brother James (Glenlyon 1977–85) at the Worlds in Cologne.



Iain Brambell, 1985.

Iain has also competed in seven World Cups, at two Pan Am Games, winning silver both times, and at the Sydney and Athens Olympic Games, achieving 7th and 5th place respectively. He remains in contention for a place to his third Olympics this summer in Beijing. (*Editor's note: Iain Brambell has now been named to the Beijing Olympics—his third consecutive. June 24, 2008.*)

GNS also has three current staff members who were selected for an Olympic Games.

Paul O'Callaghan joined the GNS staff in 2006 in the Middle School. He was an Irish international runner, representing the country of his parent's birth in 1982 at the World Cross-country Championships in Rome. Since then, he ran for Ireland on numerous occasions, in road, track, and cross-country events at European and World competitions and was an Olympic qualifier at Seoul, in 1988.

Jason Dorland joined the staff at GNS in 2006 and teaches senior Art and Information Technology. He was born in St. Catharines, ON, and attended Ridley College, so it is no surprise that he rowed for Canada in World Championships, Commonwealth Games, and on the Canadian Eight at the Seoul Olympics in 1988. High expectations ended with a creditable, but disappointing 6th place finish for the crew. The experiences enabled him to become a first-class motivational speaker.

Christine Miklitz is the Head of Languages at GNS and joined the staff in 2001. She was a member of the West German Olympic Track and Field team in 1980 as a long jumper, and like Marius, also suffered the huge disappointment of being denied her chance of competing because of political decision-making: "It was hard at the time, but it's water under the bridge now. You can't dwell on the past too much." Christine represented West Germany in long jump on other occasions and also in the 100m, 200m and 100m hurdles events.

To each and every one of these athletes from the past, this fanfare is for you. Congratulations on your accomplishments, and may you always look back on your participation and effort with joy and satisfaction. To the future athletes of our school, may you also reach your goals successfully, and hopefully the new playing field will play some small part in that success, so that someone, somewhere, can stand up and say, "That victory was won on the playing fields of GNS!" 🦋



James Taylor helps David Brooks (former Head of School) with a board game about Waste Management.

Over the nine-week lead up to the Exhibition, students conducted research using books, websites, newspapers, magazines, primary sources, and other media. As if that level of research was not complicated enough, students were also expected to represent all of the skills they have learned over the past four years in their exhibits. Some of these skills included writing, researching, reading, oral presentation, use of second language, and artistic interpretation. On Exhibition Day, each group was assigned a different space in the school in which to present its discoveries using technology, drama, science, debate, visual art, music, and dioramas.

Significantly, the Exhibition inspired students to become active global citizens by applying their knowledge outside the classroom:

- the Carbon Crisis Group planted a tree on the Beach Drive campus to offset pollution;
- the Desalination Group met with Mr. Bruce-Lockhart to recommend water purification methods for the proposed new buildings;
- the Solar Power Group purchased a solar power clock to be put in the gym; and
- the Waste Management Group organized a day without garbage cans to raise awareness about the unnecessary garbage we produce.

These actions confirm that the IB PYP students are beginning to understand how they fit into the global community and how they can apply the information they learn in school to the real world.

The Exhibition exemplified the IB model of education by emphasizing interdisciplinary learning and promoting global awareness. With the guidance of 11 teachers, the Grade 5 students demonstrated the success of their IB PYP journeys so far. They proved to be capable learners who used a variety of skills to learn about our shared environment. Working together, they have demonstrated that they are ready to take the next steps to becoming internationally-minded citizens in the IB Middle Years Program, Grades 6 to 10. 🦋

Our students are indebted to the many members of our community who willingly supported them in their quest to broaden their understanding. Thank you to the following people for sharing their knowledge and inspiring our learning:

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- Trevor Hoskins and Adam Scheur of Water Tiger, Water Purification Specialists
- Brian de Clare, Global Energy Horizons
- Ann and Gord Baird, Eco-Sense and sustainable home builders/owners

Sharing the Planet

Grade 5 IB PYP Exhibition

Tanya de Hoog, PYP Coordinator

Grade 5 IB PYP students hosted our very first Exhibition of Learning in April, the "Sharing the Planet" Museum marking a significant milestone in our continuing journey as a Primary Years school. Students were guided by a central idea: "Citizens have the responsibility for the care and management of the world's resources." With this idea in mind, groups of students explored current global issues such as the carbon and oil crises, global warming, deforestation, overpopulation, sustainability, and waste management.

Reflections from Grade 5 participants:

"I think about what I do, I recycle more and try to help our resources by not buying food from other countries. Wind power is sustainable, but I also think about the downsides, like it kills lots of birds and destroys animal habitats." (Alexander, Grade 5B)

"I think I got better at cooperating and making group decisions with others. I improved on how I balance my responsibility with others and group members. I improved on presenting in front of people and preparing for the final product. I was more organized and managed my time well. I was more confident." (Elaine, Grade 5T)

Steps Toward Sustainability

On Tuesday, May 6, 120 members of the GNS community—from age 6 to well beyond—gathered to discuss this question: “What steps can GNS take to be more sustainable?” After opening comments from the multi-stakeholder planning committee consisting of students, staff, and parents, we broke into discussion circles of staff, parents, and students to come up with steps we can take to achieve results within one month, one year, and five years (see chart below).

We have already started on many of the one month and one year initiatives, and we will form a GNS Sustainability Working Group that will take action to see these and other initiatives through. This Working Group will meet monthly, starting September 16 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Please contact Sarah McKerlich if you would like to serve on this committee and have not already had the opportunity to sign up.

A Conversation About Sustainability

Jyotish and Shrawan Khanna

Jyotish: Dad, that was a great Sustainability Forum we had!

Shrawan: What did you enjoy about it?

Jyotish: It was a great way to get people together who had ideas on how to make our school a more sustainable place.

Shrawan: What type of ideas did your group come up with?

Jyotish: We talked about getting a cafeteria so that we can make our own lunches at the school and about expanding the Grade 8 garden. We even came up with the idea of growing some of our own fruits and vegetables to serve in the cafeteria and switching over to stainless steel water bottles. We also thought that the school should provide more

water fountains where we could fill our water bottles. Some labelled recycling bins and composts in the cafeteria and around the school would help out, too!

Shrawan: That’s a lot of positive change! Doesn’t it seem a little overwhelming?

Jyotish: Not at all! That’s why we put our ideas into one month, one year, and five year groups based on when each idea could be put in place. That way, the changes seem more manageable! Plus, we’re all going to work together. Students, staff, and parents were all there to discuss one thing. Adults want the same thing as the students do. You know how we talk about community? This felt like one.

Shrawan: Only one problem remains: the action itself.

Jyotish: Dad, almost the entire world is talking about being sustainable. It has even become a big part of the Round Square Conference coming

Top Concepts on Sustainability for Glenlyon Norfolk School

	1 MONTH	1 YEAR	5 YEAR
STUDENTS	Expand Middle School Garden	More Water Fountains	Skylights in Building
	Alternative Transportation	25% Service Hours on Environmental Issues	School Makes Lunches in a Real Cafeteria
	Lights Out Day	Better Recycling Systems	Use BIO Fuels in Transport (WSMUS)
	Computers on Sleep in Labs/Library	No Plastics in Cafeteria	Low Flush Toilets
	Morning Announcements on Phone	Waterbottle & Bag	Sustainable Materials Uniforms
			Local Food Production for School
PARENTS	\$100 Refund from Government to go to a GNS Sustainability Fund	Environmentally Responsible Food	100% Low Flush Toilets
	Reduce Sales of Bottled Water	Solar Power/Alternative Energy Source for all Campuses	LEED Standards for New Buildings
	Compost	Lights Out	Hybrid Buses
	Talk to Other Schools About Best Practices	Instill Carbon Neutral Requirements for School Energy Use/School Travel	0 Waste in Cafeteria and Classrooms
	Carpooling	Secure Bike Storage	
STAFF	No Disposable Coffee Cups (Mugs)	Reduce Cafeteria Packaging	Create Own Lunch Program (0-K DIET)
	Educate Students to Talk to their Parents on Initiatives	“REAL” Recycling (8 Bin System)	Set-up Re-use System for Grey Water
	Garbage Free Lunch	No Plastic Water Bottles	Plant Trees
	Energy Saving Measures	Carpooling	Energy Efficient Buildings
		Streamlining GNS Publications	Hemp/Alternative Fibre Uniforms

to GNS in the fall. The theme for the conference is “building sustainable communities.” The action is starting, Dad!

Shrawan: I am a bit worried that this is where our community might fall a little short. We have plans to build some great new buildings that will include some fantastic green features, but it isn't the buildings that are going to make this work. It is the people—all people—who have to embrace it and make it their way of life. What is your definition of being sustainable, Jyotish?

Jyotish: Hmmm—I guess to me being sustainable is trying to save things for the future, to keep things as they are so that lots of other kids in the future have it good like me. Sustainability will keep the world from running out of the resources that we need to make life good and healthy.

Shrawan: So what do you think we have to do? Currently, you know we have one garbage free lunch a month in the cafeteria. We halt lunch service and ask students not to bring any garbage in their lunches. Is that enough? We need to be realistic, but we need to start acting now rather than just talking.

GNS has an opportunity and a responsibility to foster in its students, the leaders of tomorrow, the knowledge, wisdom, and skills that will enable people to live sustainably. This will be achieved not only through the curriculum, but also through the examples provided by the policies and practices of the school.

– GNS Sustainability Working Group Vision Statement

Jyotish: Dad, why are you being so negative? We can do this—don't you think we are moving in the right direction? I mean, people have strong feelings. They are trying.

Shrawan: Well, as we sit here talking, one of our local middle schools is becoming a garbage free school, every day—not just once a month. Everything is recycled or composted. And garbage in all classrooms will be eliminated by September. I guess I just wish we could get that kind of plan going.

Jyotish: You still seem like you are unsure as to whether we can accomplish all of these goals. We WANT to be more sustainable, you know! Think of all the people at the Forum—they were really positive about it.

Shrawan: You know Jyotish, if everyone has your enthusiasm and determination, maybe we can make a difference. If people at GNS want to take the action, we can do it. You and I have to work with our groups to get it happening—NOW!

Jyotish: So Dad, you think if we had do-able things for students, parents, and staff, it would work? Small steps that will let us meet our goals without many obstacles?

Shrawan: Yes—and even if it is a bit inconvenient, we can do it.

Jyotish: Yah, Dad, and it is worth it to make OUR world a better place.

Shrawan: Yes, you know Jyotish, I guess I forgot for a moment the amazing things people can accomplish one step at a time. Well, what do you say we get out there and work with others to make it happen? This way, YOUR world will become a much better one than the one we gave you. 🌱

My Experiences in Peru

Marysia Grzybowski, Grade 9

When I went to Peru in February 2008 for the Young Round Square of the Americas Conference, I didn't know what to expect. I spoke very little Spanish and knew very little about Peru itself. But by the time I left, I felt that I had learned so much.

First of all, my trip to Peru was great because I experienced a balance of what Peru could offer. I went to the world famous Machu Picchu, learned about the Incas, and experienced Peruvian culture hands on with a dinner and a horse show. I also got to stay with a Peruvian family, go to a Peruvian school, and participate in a Round Square Conference that involved people from all over the world.

Finally, I was fortunate enough to do service in cities around Lima. This taught me a lot about what kind of world I live in. Because I live in a city like Victoria, I don't have to worry about there being enough food on the table or whether or not someone took a trip to town to get water. I live with such privilege, and it's important that we realize and value that. That's what I realized in Peru, and that's one of the main reasons why I encourage anyone thinking of doing a service project to do it. 🌱



Pre-conference service work in Chenchá—a small town that was devastated by the December 2007 earthquake. GNS and Collingwood students spent three days providing building supplies for community centers which would house community kitchens and medical officers for 25 families. Ultimately six such centres were built.



Of the 6 million people who live in Lima, 4 million live in shanty towns with no running water, sewage facilities, or electricity. This photo was taken after the students had helped to build a preschool in one of the shanty towns.

Becoming Green

Grade 7 Environmental Science Fair

Last term, students in Grade 7 took part in a “becoming green” assignment. They started out by calculating the ecological footprint for their families, and designing a family plan to reduce it. They researched and wrote papers about global environmental issues before being assigned an individual topic on which they wrote a research paper and carried out an experimental investigation. Most students were able to contact an expert and/or go and see what is being done locally in their area of study. Their whole project was presented at the Environmental Science Fair after which they had to write a reflection about how their families have changed and their thoughts about the assignment. The following are two of these reflections.



Sustainable Building Materials

Ben Weir, Grade 7

To contact an expert about sustainable building materials, I went to the Highlands, north of Victoria and spoke to Ann and Gord Baird. They own the Eco-Sense building. It is possibly the only solely cob home¹ in North America. Both Ann and Gord Baird are still finishing the Eco-Sense building. They give tours of the building and explain how they are working towards being completely environmentally friendly.

I took a tour of the Eco-Sense Building and learned a lot about sustainable building and sustainable living as well. I learned about their living roofs, their grey water system, and the cob structure of the Eco-Sense building. I learned about how there is not a significant amount of work being done to encourage sustainable building. For example, the government is not supportive of changing regulations to accommodate cob building. Some ways that local change is being made is that there is now the store, Habitat for Humanity, an environmentally friendly building supply store. I got the wood for my experiment at Habitat for Humanity.

Another initiative that works to support the use of sustainable building materials is Eco-Sense. They support local use of sustainable building materials by building in that manner, as well as giving educational tours.

Through the course of this project, I found the trip to the Eco-Sense home very inspiring. I felt that I wanted to go and build a cob house and do something significantly positive for the environment.

¹ Cob is a building material consisting of clay, sand, straw, water, and earth, similar to adobe.



The Greater Victoria Composting Education Centre

Farrah Newnham, Grade 7

The Greater Victoria Composting Education Centre isn't too well known. In my opinion, it should be. When you go there, you are greeted by many people who are devoted to their jobs and want to help you. They immediately start talking about their workshops and how you can get involved.

I met with a lady named Laura, and she gave me a tour of the Education Centre. Nestled downtown, you would think it would be a ratty sort of a place, but it's quite beautiful, and the facilities are great! She showed me around the building and some of the workshops that they have offered in the past. She seemed so into the whole concept of saving the world by doing a little composting everyday and was excited by how many people are doing it locally! She told me that she sells her soil and puts the money towards charity and buying supplies for the compost.

While I was looking at everything, I realized how many people were around me. This place was really busy! Later I interviewed Laura. She told me that she was determined to save the environment, and she volunteers in her spare time. I looked at this 28-year-old and realized how passionate she was and how she was so sure of herself. I realized that many good people are helping, yet others do not recognize what they are doing. Today, take the time to recognize others who help the world become a better place to live. 🌱

An Important First

Head's Address, Senior Closing 2008

Simon Bruce-Lockhart, Head of School

Good evening, ladies and gentlemen.

I first became a teacher in 1972. This Closing is—by my reckoning—my 34th. Lest anyone think that my math is suspect, I did have time off for good behaviour somewhere in those years!

34 Closings—and yet today is an important first for me, as I have a “child” in the graduating class for the first time. “Child” is a particularly inappropriate term at this stage; rather, I have a daughter who is a wonderful young woman about to be launched into a much more independent stage of life!

There is no question that one sees Closing differently in such circumstances. I know the grads much better this year, and I know more of their parents—and that has been most enjoyable for me. I also have a much greater appreciation for the opportunities—extraordinary in their scope and number—that the school affords our students and a greater appreciation for the extraordinary people behind those opportunities: people who nurture, who pull out what I never knew was there, who have profound and far-reaching influence on our offsprings' lives. Of course, I have always known those things to be true, but they become much more vibrant as they are experienced more intimately.

At the last Friday assembly of the year, I told the students that I probably attend more events across the breadth of the school than anyone else and that—even so—I barely scratch the surface. We have achieved outstanding results in speaking contests in Alberta, England, and Germany; we have hosted, and achieved outstanding results in, the provincial debate championships; we have again run a very successful Change Conference; we have tackled and mastered triumphantly a very challenging piece of drama; we have created—in Mexico—our first international service project; we have had wonderful concerts and contest results in choir and band; we have won city, island, ISA, and two provincial championships in sports. We have begun to give life to the Facilities Master Plan as we are building the new field, have completed plans for the Performing Arts Centre, and have begun the design for the new buildings at the Beach Drive campus. We have held a sustainability forum and done a great deal of planning for hosting the Round Square Conference in October. And we have got the job done well day in and day out in the classroom.

And yet—is it enough? At the annual conference of the Canadian Association of Independent Schools, Michael Sabia, CEO of Bell Canada Enterprises, gave a keynote address to the heads and chairs. He lambasted the state of education in North America and drew the comparison with third world countries who are producing more engineers than we are graduates in all disciplines combined. India alone will graduate 350,000 engineers this year!!! Much of what engineers used to do in the developed world is shifting to the developing world as globalization continues to play out. He challenged us as independent schools to move beyond the lacklustre curriculum of state schools and do better, much better: to foster creativity and imagination and critical thinking, and to take the lead in improving education dramatically. The subtext of most of what he said was that the world is changing at an incredible pace and that education in North America is doing an extremely poor job of keeping up with that change.

Early last summer, I was fortunate enough to attend two outstanding conferences. Three images stand out for me from those 10 days away. The first was in a computer lab with 25 heads of schools from across the world. Our session leader was Alan November, an educational technology



Simon Bruce-Lockhart congratulates his daughter, Kate, at the Senior Closing Ceremonies.

guru. He gave us a problem to solve on the internet: to find the Turkish response to some ill-advised words the Pope had made whilst on a trip to Turkey. The point of the exercise was to demonstrate that none of us knew how to do it, because we all immediately went to Google, which has the disadvantage of being arranged partially by the number of hits, and so gave us nothing but Western interpretations of the incident. But that is not what stands out in my mind. Rather, it is a comment Alan made during the process. He said, had he given the same problem to a group of 14 year olds, they would have been up out of their chairs and would have formed groups of two or three to work together on the problem, while this group of type A, middle aged—or older!—school leaders were head down, concentrating on their own computers, shutting out the world around them, and no doubt striving to be the first to solve the problem! Collaboration in the workplace—and elsewhere—is a change whose time has come!

The second image was of a young Scot by the name of Ewan in his late twenties, who is the technology consultant for a school district near Edinburgh. I need to preface this story by relaying that, like many parents, I am innately suspicious of my children multi-tasking when they are supposedly doing school work: iPods on, text messaging capabilities at hand; facebook available. In my day, working meant quiet concentration and no distractions. Back to Ewan. We were sitting next to one another during a lecture by a university professor on a topic I have long since forgotten. I had a pen and a small notebook, which I have long since misplaced and probably did not ever open when I returned to the busyness of my life after the conference. Ewan had his laptop, a camera, and a digital recorder. The whole time he was listening to this quite intellectual lecture—while I was scratching a few notes—he was typing away on his laptop. Occasionally, he would pick up his camera,

take a picture, which would appear almost immediately on his screen, and he would either accept or reject. I later found out that he Skyped a colleague in a neighbouring session, quoted something the professor said, and asked for the colleague's reaction. The colleague's response found its way into the text on Ewan's laptop seamlessly. Within two or so minutes of the professor sitting down, Ewan pushed a button and posted his report on the lecture to his blog, which is read by people all over the world. I subsequently read the review: it was cogent, articulate, accurate, and insightful—worthy of publishing—and it was written within the timeframe of the event itself, plus a whole two minutes! I was considerably humbled by my few scrawled comments, and I had a much greater appreciation for multi-tasking! Multi-tasking is a change whose time has come!

I will come back to the third image in a minute. At the moment, I want to stay with the idea of change. One of the most stimulating books I have read this year is called *A Whole New Mind*, by Daniel Pink. Very quickly, Pink's contention is that we are in the midst of a sea change in the skills that are necessary to flourish in today's world. We are leaving the Age of Information, in which successful people are engineers, doctors, lawyers, accountants—what Pink calls knowledge workers—and entering the Conceptual Age, in which successful people will be designers, big picture thinkers, empathizers, people who are more attuned to using the right side of their brain.

A couple of quick examples of what he says. He quotes Bob Lutz, a highly successful, no nonsense business executive, who is an ex-marine, about how his approach would be different than that of his predecessors when he took over as the CEO of General Motors, which was not doing well at the time: "I see us in the art business. Art, entertainment, and mobile sculpture which, coincidentally, also happens to provide transportation." Similarly, an executive at BMW declared "We don't make automobiles. We make moving works of art that express the driver's love of quality." And the Chairman of Sony: "At Sony, we assume that all the products of our competitors have the same technology, price, performance, and features. Design is the only thing that differentiates one product from another in the marketplace." One can begin to understand why Pink says that the Master of Fine Arts degree is now as much or more in demand as the Master of Business Administration in North American firms. That contention was echoed by Michael Sabia of BCE—which is a huge multinational technology company—when he said their most important hires are artists, not engineers.

Pink goes on to say that the six senses that are important for those who want to get ahead in the Conceptual Age are Design, Story, Symphony (the ability to bring many small parts together to see the big picture), Empathy, Play, and Meaning. Don't worry, I'm not going to take you through a journey of all of them, although I do highly recommend you read the book! I would like to end with the last one—Meaning—the sense that finding meaning in what you do is far more important than the old trappings of success. That brings me back to the third image of my summer conferences. It is of a well known professor from the University of Chicago, who grew up in a poor family in China, and had to work long hours in the family's rice paddy to help in their survival. He compared his childhood to that of many disadvantaged children in Chicago today, children who live in housing developments, who come home to empty apartments, who are not allowed to play outside because of the level of violence in the community, and so fill their lives in other ways. The two advantages he had over them were these: although he had to work in the rice paddy for long hours, his mind was free to wander while he worked, and his imagination took him to all sorts of wonderful worlds. The other aspect was that he had been given what he called The Gift of Significant Contribution, something the children in Chicago's tenements are denied.

Extraordinary Effort

Eva Riis-Culver, Director of Advancement

You never know when inspiration will strike! While I was at a meeting last February, someone made mention of staff members who have represented their country of birth in an international competition. Do we actually have staff that competed at this level? I was more than surprised! And thus the seed was sown for this issue: the celebration of extraordinary effort. As you leaf through these pages, you will see extraordinary effort is abundant at GNS, but what makes it so?

Extraordinary effort isn't easy—or is it? If you're passionate about whatever it is you're doing, extraordinary effort isn't even a consideration. Your passion fires your engines and stokes your discipline and determination to reach your goal. You work hard, and you love it. Easy? No, but somehow it doesn't seem hard.

What if you don't have a goal? What then inspires extraordinary effort?

Participation. You must participate! When you first volunteered at a school event, did you imagine becoming Chair of the Parents' Auxiliary? Or a member of the Board of Governors? Aha—the result of your extraordinary effort!

Support—be it from teachers, coaches, parents, or friends—bridges the gap between ordinary and extraordinary effort; we try harder, we give "one degree more."

Confidence. It affects our attitude, performance, opportunities, and growth. It both builds and is built from extraordinary effort.

This is why extraordinary effort is abundant at GNS—we participate, we support, and we build confidence—just look at your accomplishments.

And speaking of accomplishments—just look at your new playing field!

Have a wonderful summer! 🌻

He knew that what he was doing was important to his family, that he as a child had a significant contribution to make. That made it worth doing, and it made him a worthy being.

To the grads, I would say three things very quickly. The first is that you, as a group, have come to reflect many of the senses Pink speaks of. You are artistic; you have developed a strong sense of empathy (although I certainly had reservations about whether that would happen when you were in Grade 9!); you understand the importance of play. The next stage of your lives will hone your abilities to synthesize and see the big picture. You have had the Gift of Significant Contribution within this community, and you have used it well, leaving the school a better place for your input. Most of you have not yet had the opportunity to create for yourselves the Gift of Significant Contribution in the wider community, and that is what the next few years are all about. My parting advice to you is to engage, engage, engage. Find out what the world beyond our small community is all about, push yourselves beyond your comfort zone, embrace change so that it works for you, and find something that will give you the inestimable joy of significant contribution.

We who are staying at GNS wish you well; we thank you for all you have done with us and for us; we look forward to hearing of your future exploits and—as always—we say "Haste ye back!" 🌻

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Elizabeth Taylor presents the MacDowall Shield to Alex Mahrt ('10) and Lizzy Davis ('10) at the Senior School Closing Ceremonies in June 2008.

preparing to welcome the Class of 2008 into the Alumni Association. I encourage these young men and women to take advantage of the resources we can provide to help them stay connected with GNS as they head off to attend university, travel, or work. As well, I invite all graduates under 25 to consider applying for an Alumni Volunteer Service Grant (up to \$500) if they plan to volunteer with a non-profit organization abroad.

‘I am really proud of what the students
at “my” school achieve!’

Thank you to all Alumni, friends of Alumni, and the Alumni Executive for supporting our events this past year, and I hope we will see many of you at upcoming events, such as Duffers’ Delight in August or celebrating your individual class reunions. We also welcome your support through contributions to the Alumni Bursary Fund, which provides financial assistance to students of alumni attending the school.

Please stay connected to GNS through your Class Representative, and if your class does not yet have a Rep, why not consider taking on this role yourself?

Wishing you and yours a happy and safe summer. 🍷

From the President

**Elizabeth (Courtnall) Taylor ('70)
President, GNS Alumni Association**

Many accomplishments of GNS students came to my attention through reading the newspaper these past few weeks, including an article about a student’s science project that caught my eye. There was no mention of a school at first, but I thought “this sounds like something a GNS student would do,” and sure enough, as I read on, I discovered it was! I’ve also read with interest articles written about our great international debating and public speaking success, Grade 8 rugby success, and now the BC Senior A golf championship in Osoyoos, which took place while I was vacationing in the Okanagan this week.

I am really proud of what the students at “my” school achieve!

On another front, I’m truly proud of the incredible effort of our Board of Governors and Head to move forward the Campus Transformation Plan. These days I frequently answer questions from friends who’ve noticed the work off Richmond Road. I drive by and watch with anticipation for the wonderful new playing field and performing arts centre that will soon take shape there.

The feeling of connection to the school continues, regardless of how many years “out” we alumni are. This is evident in the range of years in the reunions planned as I write this, including those for the classes of 1963 (NHS), 1968 (NHS), 1973 (NHS), 1978 (Glenlyon), 1983 (Glenlyon) and 1998. And we are now

5th Annual Duffers' Delight



Do you want to try playing golf for the first time? Are you a novice golfer hoping to play more golf? If so, then Duffers' Delight is the perfect golf event for you!

Duffers' Delight on Saturday, August 23, is a great opportunity to catch up with fellow Alumni, to reconnect with staff, and to enjoy a fun and relaxing summer evening at Prospect Lake Golf Course.

Now in its fifth year as a fun, team golf event, there will be new golf contests, a wider selection of dinner options (choice of steak, chicken, salmon, ribs, or veggie lasagna), and lots of prizes! Duffers' Delight is open to everyone, and no golf skills are required. Nine holes and a BBQ buffet dinner are \$40, and you can invite guests for the dinner portion for only \$20 each. The golf course can supply all of your golf equipment needs. Check out the flyer on the GNS Alumni web page, and I hope you can join in the laughter and experience our great golf event!

Please register by emailing shawn.steele@shaw.ca with your golf skill, dinner entrée choice, names of other golfers in group, and if there are any dinner guests (also with the dinner choice of each guest). Or call 250.590.4636.



2008 Grad Alumni Luncheon

The graduating Class of 2008 was welcomed into the alumni association by Elizabeth Taylor ('70) on June 5 at a luncheon held at the Union Club. Each grad received an alumni-crested coffee cup and an alumni pin from the Association. Regan McAvoy ('01) spoke to the students about the value of being an alum of Glenlyon Norfolk School and told stories about the connections she has made throughout the world with other former students. 🌟



Regan McAvoy speaks to the Class of 2008.



Ross Koopmans, Maevid Bowman, Kyla MacKenzie, Merrell Rome and Sarah Elwood at their table.

2008 Norfolk House Luncheon

More than 30 alumni, staff and friends attended the 2008 Norfolk House Old Girls' Luncheon in the Scott Gym. Each alumna received a GNS notepad, with those 50+ years out also receiving a set of Norfolk House cuff links. Three of the attendees have children that graduated in the Class of 2008.

After a welcome from Eva Riis-Culver, Director of Advancement, and a speech from outgoing Board Chair, Kristina Campbell, Alison (Grant) Partridge ('67) gave a wonderful presentation on the history of Butchart Gardens.

The luncheon was enjoyed by (alphabetical): David Auld, Patricia (Atkinson) Bates ('68), Marianne (Koerner) Bianco ('73), Jean Bigelow ('71), Susan Bigelow ('73), Joyce Buchanan ('46), Sally (Ball) Burrows ('65), Rick Calderwood, Kristina Campbell, Eleanor Creighton ('82), Laura (Cameron) Ferreira ('69), Susan (Sheret) Findlay ('68), Suzanne (Baker) James ('70), Elizabeth Juelsberg ('63), Shrawan Khanna, Lisa (Potter) Martens ('73), Florence (Goward) Moorman ('58), Pamela (Harris) Munch ('63), Mary (Goward) Murray ('57), Sarah Nation ('74), Tyea (Edgington) Niblock ('75), Alison (Grant) Partridge ('67), Eva Riis-Culver, Sonya Roethel ('73), Brenda (Mason) Simeoni ('66), Susan Stephen ('65), Laura Tassie ('68), Deborah Walker, Barbara Jean Watkins ('55), and Gillian (Bridgman) Young ('53).

Next year we encourage ALL former students of Norfolk House to join us for the luncheon—you don't need to be an 'Old Girl!' 🍷



Jean Bigelow ('71) and Susan Bigelow ('73), with Susan's daughter Jean Strong (2012).



Norfolk House Class of 1963

Over half of the Class of 1963 attended their 45-year reunion at Oak Bay Marina on May 31. Nine alumnae enjoyed a lovely dinner and drinks, organized by Ronni (Harris) Tory. The women reminisced about old school days and chatted about all the adventures they have faced in their lives since high school.

In the 1963 yearbook, former Head Girl Adele (Trottier) Hern commented that a school's success depends on the spirit, support, and loyalty of its community. The reunion of these women 45 years later is a testament to the kind of community they helped form in their days at Norfolk House. 🌸



Celebrating 45 years: back row, left to right, Susan (Savage) Reid, Ronnie (Harris) Tory, Carol (Ruttan) Marshall, Dierdre (Humphries) Vincent, and Adele (Trottier) Hern. Front row, left to right, Carolyn (Argall) Spotswood, Aryana (Revfem) Rayne, Pam (Harris) Munch, and Suss Juelsberg.

Class of 1987

On February 2, 2008 the 'Boys of 87' met at the Flying Beagle Pub in Cook Street Village to celebrate their class reunion. It was a great opportunity to catch up with one another's accomplishments, career paths, and other significant life events. Emile Lee, Peter Brown, Matt Lurie, Jason Eamer-Goult, and Krishna Baichwal shared memories and told tall tales for a pleasant and entertaining evening, promising to keep in touch—and celebrate the next milestone together as well. 🌸



Left to right, Peter Brown, Krishna Baichwal, Tod Molnar, Jason Eamer-Goult (back), Emil Lee and Matt Lurie.

Norfolk House Class of 1973

The Norfolk House Class of 1973 reunited on June 18th at the University Club to celebrate 35 years. Despite being a small group of six, these energetic women laughed the night away and parted with a renewed sense of attachment to the '70s. They reminisced about old times and even played an archival trivia game. Though the "Girls" were told to simply "Do thy Best," Sonya Roethel raised the stakes by having prizes for the winners! They delighted in looking through the NH and SMUS yearbooks, finding particular pleasure in the outdated hairstyles, clothing, and the boys at SMUS! Special thanks to Sonya for organizing the event and providing the Class of 1973 with some new memories to laugh about at the next reunion in 2013. 🌸



Still partying like it's 1973: from left to right, Marianne (Koerner) Bianco, Sonya Roethel, Susan (Higgin) Gains, Rosalind Scott, Susan (Heffernan) Choo, and Wendy Stofer.



Simon Bruce-Lockhart and Sonya Roethel.

2008 Vancouver Reunion

Approximately 40 alum representing grad classes from 1946 to 1998 joined Simon Bruce-Lockhart, Head of School, and Eva Riis-Culver, Director of Advancement, at the annual Vancouver reunion, held at the Arbutus Club. The hors d'oeuvres were delicious and plentiful—thankfully everyone had been forewarned to have a light lunch! The guests enjoyed networking, reconnecting with old friends, and hearing about exciting developments at GNS from Simon Bruce-Lockhart, particularly the plans for the Campus Transformation of both campuses. Information about the 2009 Vancouver reunion will be posted on the GNS school website: www.glenlyonnorfolk.bc.ca. 🌟



Left to right, Sam Gudewill ('72), Simon Bruce-Lockhart (Head of School) and Peggie Terry ('69).



Jennifer Hunt ('95) and Gordon Hackett ('92).



Left to right, Roz-Beale Dala ('85), Wendy Tse ('85), Anne Moore ('57), and Christopher Wall ('85).



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ROUND SQUARE CONFERENCE 2008

Creating Sustainable Communities | Local to Global

October 3 to 9, 2008

Conference Planning Update

Our students, staff, parents, and alumni have all been working industriously towards hosting this exciting international conference.

Here is a 'snapshot by numbers' of our conference:

- We will have over 300 delegates (youth and adult) from over 35 schools around the world for this six-day conference.
- There will be over 50 nationalities present.
- We have over 120 student volunteers learning valuable leadership and organizational skills as we prepare to host the event.
- We have over 40 adult volunteers supporting the cause.

Currently, we have confirmed homestay beds for all our delegates. If you are still interested in hosting delegates, please contact the RS08 Homestay Coordinator, Miriam Byrne, at homestay@glenlyonnorfolk.bc.ca to be added to a stand-by list.

The RS08 Conference Organizing Committee would like to thank everyone who has helped so far. Should you wish to be involved, please contact Sarah McKerlich at smckerlich@glenlyonnorfolk.bc.ca or Rick Calderwood at rcalderwood@glenlyonnorfolk.bc.ca.

The Conference Website: www.gns008rs.collingwood.org

We would like to thank our corporate sponsors to date: Tom Lee Music, Eco-Neutral: Carbon Offset Products and Services, the Royal BC Museum, Geffen Catering, the Victoria Marriott, and Rankin and Associates.

A Nod to the Past

Ian McAllister ('87)

When asked to contribute to this issue of *Traditions*, the act of writing this article allowed me a chance to reflect on all of the different opportunities that Glenlyon offered us students and how some of those opportunities helped to shape and influence my adult life.

For the last 20 years, I have worked on environmental campaigns geared towards coastal wildlife and wilderness protection. This work was inspired by the fact that in the late 1980s, the rainforest of the central and north coast of BC—a place now known as the Great Bear Rainforest—was unprotected, threatened, and without any land or marine-based conservation plan. Having grown up on Vancouver Island, I had already witnessed the conversion of most of our old growth forests to tree plantations and the collapse of many of our fisheries. It was this background that inspired an attempt for a different approach to the BC north coast.

So 20 years ago, with a vision that far exceeded our resources, a small group of like-minded conservationists set out to explore, document, and propose a conservation plan for the entire BC mainland coast. Back then, it seemed like we wouldn't have to do much more than describe what a spectacular wildlife-rich ecosystem the Great Bear was, and it would be protected. But alas things got a bit more complicated, and only this year has the coast actually received partial legislated protection. Perseverance (or stubbornness) clearly is an attribute of conservation work!

It also became clear early on that when working on behalf of the environment, no single approach or strategy, by itself, achieves the end goal of meaningful and sustained environmental protection. It is the diversity of approaches that delivers environmental progress, and it is this diversity that makes this work so interesting.

Over the years, I have had to wear many different hats, from travelling around the world giving public speaking engagements, to directing field research and science projects. Government lobbying, fund raising, and public advocacy are all a necessary part of achieving environmental protection. Basically, whatever creative strategy can be designed and carried out to further the goal of environmental sustainability is fair game. The planet and humanity have never faced such serious environmental problems before, so it's not like we have a model or template to follow in order to get us out of this dilemma. We have to design the solutions ourselves.

And my education at Glenlyon clearly helped me. I think of the hundreds of media interviews and public lectures that I am involved in every year, and I can thank De Goede's debating classes for teaching me the architecture of debate. When it comes to protecting the environment, there seems to be no lack of debate.

John Crawford's fabled "500 club" had us exploring every country in the world. His unbridled enthusiasm for the world's diverse political and cultural geography helped instill a love of travel and exploration today.

Afternoon sail racing with Bob Britten certainly helped kick start what has become one of my life's passions. (However, Bob's DOS computer programming class ensured that computers would not be a big part of my life!) In 1993, my wife Karen and I bought a sailboat that was sitting up in the St. Lawrence seaway, and we spent two years sailing her back home to BC. We explored the coastline of ten countries, transited the Panama Canal, and had two tremendous open ocean voyages from Mexico to Hawaii and then back to Vancouver Island. And today, travelling up and down the coast by boat and tasting the early morning salt air is not so different from those frigid winter mornings out in Oak Bay testing



Ian McAllister with his wife, Karen, and their two children.

the first Glenlyon rowing shell. Our environmental research continues to be boat-based, and our two young children have probably spent almost as much time on the water as they have on land.

Looking back over the years, I have been privileged to work on many different projects in an effort to protect BC's globally significant coastline. This has included working behind and in front of video and film cameras with National Geographic, Discovery Channel, the BBC, and others. I have contributed to the writing and photography of a number of books and magazines, including two large format books on wolves and grizzly bears. I have co-founded and worked with many environmental non-profit organisations and networks, the most recent group being Pacific Wild. Pacific Wild works to develop and implement innovative strategies to protect wildlife of the Pacific coast.

This past year, 30% of the Great Bear Rainforest area was declared protected by the Provincial and Federal governments. While this is acknowledged as a significant step forward in protecting BC's world-class coastal environment, we still have work to do. Trophy hunting of grizzly bears, the clearcutting of salmon streams, and a host of other damaging policies are still commonplace in the Great Bear Rainforest. Proposed pipelines carrying crude oil from the Alberta tar sands to Kitimat and the accompanying oil tankers would expose the coast to potential and catastrophic oil spills. An Exxon Valdez-type disaster would have unimaginable consequences for our coastal environment and economy.

So the threats remain, but the solutions are within our reach. They simply have to be, because our collective future depends on it. It is because of this potential that I consider working on behalf of the environment the most fulfilling, exciting, and rewarding work I can think of. And it beats the heck out of staying home and playing bingo. 🐾

Class Updates

1953

Bob Thacker: Bob enjoys *Traditions*, but wonders why there are so few 'old boys' contributing. How 'bout it, gentlemen? Drop us a line by email: alumni@glenlyonnorfolk.bc.ca, or write: Advancement Office, 1701 Beach Drive, Victoria BC V8R 6H9. You're also welcome to call the Advancement Office at 250.370.6855 with your Class Update. We sometimes send out an email reminder to alumni, asking you to send in your updates, so please provide your email address if you have one. Let's show Bob we're listening and print a barrage of updates for the '40s and '50s in the next issue!

1960



Richard Goodall: When Richard retired 19 years ago, he and his wife pinned a map of BC to the board and tossed a dart at it. It landed in

the middle of Shuswap Lake, so they moved to Salmon Arm, at the southern end of the lake. It was an excellent choice, and, after nearly two decades there, Richard continues to build guitars and restore antique furniture and old Corvettes. He also enjoys working with computers and doing website construction and has many other hobbies. Richard and Barbara have three children, now in their thirties: Mark, with the RCMP major crime unit in Kamloops, Mary, with an oil company CMA in Calgary, and Becky, a manager with Sears in Winnipeg. They also have two grandchildren.

Gerald Haddon: Gerald retired last summer after a 39-year career with CTV News. On August 3, 2007 Gerald, to his astonishment, was called on camera to say goodbye on the CTV National News, something that had never been done before. Gerald, his wife Amanda, and their two daughters Emma and Edwina, live in Oakville, Ontario. Gerald loves the unstructured days of his retirement, which are filled with the things he hasn't been able to do for years, including spending time with his three girls.

1961

Bill Hamilton: Bill emailed recently to inquire about contacting friends from his schooldays. He fondly recalled his teenage years, around 1960, when he and a friend would stand below a window at the house where the out of town girls from Norfolk House boarded and talk and pass notes to the girls—until the House Matron chased them away. Sometimes the local constabulary was called to give chase to the offenders! Another vivid memory is of "kelp fights" on the beach (day boys vs. boarders). If anyone would like to contact Bill (including the Norfolk House girls!), he can be reached at: bdhammy@telusplanet.net or bill.hamilton@nftc.com

Rob Mayhew: Rob is retiring this summer after more than 32 years in the service of the provincial government. He is looking forward to giving more time to several hobbies that he'd like to pursue.

1962

Dougal Fraser: On May 15, Dougal was made an Honorary Old Boy, a.k.a. 'Georgian', at St. George's School in Vancouver.

Hilary Spicer: Former Games Captain for Norfolk House (1962), Hilary continues to work with student teachers from UBC and SFU, focusing on a project in Cuba, where students from SFU spend one month teaching French in a secondary school in Santa Clara.

Susan (Shaw) Wakefield: Susan is thankful for her son Graham Tutti's life, after his near-death experience kayaking near Anvil Island last October. In March of this year, Graham received a Life Saving Medal in Vancouver for his actions that day. The story of Graham and his friends' ordeal, entitled "Death on the Water," is told in terrifying detail in the May 2008 issue of *Explore* magazine.

1964

Joan (Thomas) O'Meara: Joan retired March 31, 2008, and plans an autumn trip to Cambodia and Thailand with friends. Joan's second grandson was one of six Grade 12 students in Alberta chosen to attend a yearly RCMP Open House for students interested in joining the force.

1965

Colin Bonneau: Colin set his seventh world record in April 12, 2008 at the Canadian National Powerlifting and Bench Press 2008 Championships! He boosted the IPF (International Powerlifting Federation) world record for the three-lift bench press

125 kg M3 (Master 60–69 years of age) from 220.5 kg (442 lbs) to 227.5 kg (501 lbs). The previous Canadian record was 177.5 kg (391 lbs). He recently broke another five world records at the World Drug-Free Powerlifting Federation competition. Colin may be contacted at musicguy@telusplanet.net. He would be happy to hear from anyone who remembers him.

Sheila Grigg: Sheila was happy to tell us that, after 23 years in the sheet music business, she is retiring at the end of August.

1968

Roslynn Harrington: Roz's mother, Betty Harrington, was a teacher at Norfolk House and still lives on her own in Victoria at the age of 90. Roz has four grandchildren, with another on the way. Taking a year off teaching, Roz is currently traveling around Australia, visiting every state. She loves the rainforests of Queensland and the caves and honey of Tasmania. At the time of writing, Roz was heading for the Red Centre, Uluru, Alice Springs and Coober Pedy, where the nights are 10 degrees and the days are 30 degrees. Roz was also fortunate to be able to take a vacation trip to Dubai before Christmas. She visited a Bedouin family for a feast, rode camels, held a peregrine falcon, had her hands tattooed with henna, wore burqas, and went sandboarding. Upon her return from Australia, Roz looks forward to the Norfolk House Class of 1968 Reunion in September. Information about the reunion is on the school website.

1969

Helen (Ohrt) Tyson: Helen and husband, Rod, moved themselves and their mineral business to Nova Scotia from Edmonton,



Helen Tyson's captain's house.

Alberta in May 2007. Since then, they've been pouring all of their time and resources into refurbishing their beautiful, century-old "captain's house" and constructing a sympathetic warehouse/garage addition. Helen loves Nova Scotia and is delighted to be back by the sea, where the Fundy tides ebb and flow in front of her kitchen window twice a day. If anyone from Glenlyon Norfolk is out their way, Helen and the friendly community of Parrsboro, NS (1,400 to 1,600 people) would welcome your visit.

Michael Willis: Michael is still working at the British Museum. His book *The Archeology of Ritual and the Establishment of the Gods in Early Hindu India* was recently accepted for publication by Cambridge University Press.

1970

Mark Fellner: Mark, who recently retired from coaching competitive swimmers (Olympics 1984, 1992, 1996), now lives in Saanichton. Mark works for Swimming Canada, where he is Master Learning Facilitator for Western Canada.

1973

Thomas 'Tad' Homer-Dixon: A February 16, 2008 ad in the *Toronto Globe and Mail* states, "Thomas Homer-Dixon provokes strong reactions. Dismissed as Dr. Doom by some, lauded as a visionary by others, he demands we pay attention to the critical problems of our age: Global Warming, Energy Shortages, and Economic Inequalities... As the new CIGI (Centre for International Governance Innovation) Chair of Global Systems at the Balsillie School of International Affairs and Professor at the University of Waterloo, Thomas Homer-Dixon will join a critical mass of extraordinary experts shaping the ideas that will create effective global governance."

Richard O'Grady: Richard has been the Executive Director of the American Institute of Biological Sciences in Washington, DC since 1997. He lives in Maryland with his wife and three younger children ages 8, 10, and 12. His oldest son, daughter-in-law, and granddaughter live in the UK.

William Thow: Bill and Barbara's son Andrew (24) was tragically killed in a car accident in which he was a passenger in a vehicle that left the road near Nanaimo, BC. Our sincere condolences go out to Bill and Barbara.

In spite of their great loss, Bill's third book of poetry is due for release in Europe

shortly, and he has taken on a new role with Scouts Canada, as Deputy Council Commissioner for Group Services, Cascadia Council, BC and Yukon.

1974

Sarah Nation: For the past eight years, Sarah has owned and operated her own landscape design company, 'Blooming Designs' in Richmond, BC. Married for twenty-three years to financial advisor Leslie Canavan, Sarah has two great kids: Emily aged 20, in second year at Concordia, and Daniel, 17, in Grade 11 at Vancouver College.

1975

Alec Cooper: Alec has been in family practice in Quebec City since 1998 and is also a Clinical Instructor in the Faculty of Medicine at Laval University. From 1984 to 1996 Alec served as a military physician with the Canadian Forces at bases in Chilliwack, Borden, Greenwood, Valcartier, St. Jean, Kingston, and on a UN tour in Bosnia.

John Courtney: John lives in Bristol, UK where he runs a search engine optimization company (www.strategyinternetmarketing.co.uk). He lives in an old farmhouse with his partner, Kath, and her son Nathan (16). John's boys, James (14) and Chris (11) live nearby, and John and the boys spend hours playing indoor soccer with a tennis ball, much as he used to do at the same age at Glenlyon. Both boys play cricket, as does John. Former classmates will remember John's hours in the cricket nets next to the boathouse.



John Courtney.

1976

Terrie (Dalziel) Anderson: Terrie was married last August to James Anderson. After teaching in the Victoria School District for 11 years, including the past four years

teaching art at Oak Bay High, Terrie now teaches drama at Lansdowne Middle School. Terrie's two daughters, Tanya and Danielle, are in their mid 20s. Terrie keeps in touch with a few of the Norfolk gals and is always open to another fun reunion gathering!

Roger Foard: Roger and his wife, Kyung, celebrated the birth of their second son, Benjamin Lee Foard on March 5, 2008. Ben was born a healthy 9.5 lbs. Big brother, Andrew (3 ½) is being a great help to mom and dad in looking after wee Ben. Roger and family live in Seoul, South Korea, where Roger teaches at Seoul Theological University as a full-time lecturer.



Benjamin Lee Foard.

Chris Yarow (Pinckard): Chris was married on March 7, 2008, in Hawaii. He met his bride, Keiko, from Japan, while she was visiting a mutual friend in Victoria. Chris hopes to move back to Victoria pending the sale of his company, Wolverineair, a fixed wing charter company in Fort Simpson, North West Territories.

1977

John M. McIntosh: John just came off a four-year software project to build a free multi-media authoring environment (<http://sophieproject.org/>).

Kenneth Riggs: Ken attended Glenlyon School from 1969 to 1975. He lives in Abu Dhabi, where he is the Director of an international school, and his wife teaches Kindergarten. Next year, Ken starts a new position as an educational consultant setting up Canadian international schools. In recent years, Ken and his family have lived in England and Bangkok. Ken's son, Stewart, has joined the Canadian military as an electrical technician, and his daughter is starting the nursing program at Camosun College.

1978

Atom Egoyan: The University of Toronto News reports that Atom is one of the

winners of the \$1 million (US) Dan David Prize from the University of Tel Aviv. The Dan David Prize annually awards three prizes each for achievements having an outstanding scientific, technological, cultural or social impact on our world. "Egoyan's prize was given in the category of The Past, referring to fields that expand knowledge of former times, specifically for his 2002 film, *Ararat*, which documents the trauma of the Armenian genocide of 1915... Egoyan shares the prize for The Past with author Amos Oz and playwright Tom Stoppard." His film *Adoration* was selected to be in competition for the Palme D'Or at the Cannes Film Festival this spring, and it was given the Ecumenical Jury Prize.

David Screech: David, in his second term as a View Royal Councillor, is the owner of Gregg's Furniture. He is also the Class Representative for the Glenlyon Class of 1978 and is working on organizing a 30-year reunion this year. David can be reached at dscreech@shaw.ca.

1979

Pam (Cowman) Giacomello: As a military wife, Pam has moved frequently in the past five years. Currently, she and her husband Carlo are both employed at a NATO base in Belgium. Pam is an Adult Coordinator for the Canadian Military Family Resource Centre, as well as a Religious Education Coordinator for the International Chapel. Carlo is a Canadian Military Budget Officer with NATO. In June, Pam and Carlo returned to Victoria for six months before Carlo retires from the military to take a civilian job with NATO in the Netherlands.



Pam and Carlo Giacomello.

1980

Lesley (Marsden) Bellas: Life for Lesley continues to be busy in Nova Scotia. The family plans to take a European tour, as next year will be daughter Ashley's final year before heading off to university. Jenn (14) is busy with soccer, so you'll find Lesley at the soccer pitch four or five nights a week. Lesley is a Public Health Nurse, a job she really enjoys, and in her spare time she salsa dances, does aerobics, and indulges in beach combing. It looks like Lesley will move back to Victoria in the summer of 2009, and she looks forward to re-connecting with some of her classmates. She'd love to hear from you!

1981

Sam Malin: Having founded Madagascar Oil and Red Island Minerals to develop heavy oil and coalfields, Sam has most recently set up the Avana Group of companies, which is involved in hydrocarbons, mining, and property projects in Madagascar, the Seychelles, and the Comoros Islands. Sam spends his time between the western Indian Ocean region and the UK. Daughter Lulu-Marie was born July 15, 2007—a little sister for Samantha (8).



Lulu-Marie and Samantha Malin.

1982

Brad Forth: Brad, his wife Deanna, and their son Colton live in the Brentwood suburb of Los Angeles. Colton graduates from John Thomas Dye School (a K to 6 school in Bel Air) this year and will attend Brentwood School in the fall. Brad is a partner at GFI

Energy Ventures LLC (www.gfienergy.com), a private equity firm focused on investments in the energy sector.

Brad is the CEO of Power Measurement, Inc., a global provider of enterprise energy management systems owned by GFI from 1996 to 2005 when it was sold to Schneider Electric, and he is the former director of Xantrex Technology Inc., also a GFI portfolio company. Currently he is Board Chair of GT Solar Incorporated, Good Cents and Turbine Generator Maintenance.

He was awarded Ernst and Young's "2002 Pacific Entrepreneur of the Year, Technology and Communications" and is a member of the Young Presidents' Organization.

1983

Benjamin Butterfield: Ben, his wife, Anne, and their two girls, Robin and Marijn, have returned to Victoria where Ben is the head of the Voice Program at the UVic School of Music. The idea was to come back to Victoria to be half as busy as he was as a freelance singer, but Ben now finds himself twice as busy teaching and still travelling to sing! He thinks he'll probably meet up with friends in Victoria once his three- and five-year-olds leave home! It's still "great to be back in Victoria," says Ben.

Pietsie Campbell: Pietsie lives in Los Angeles where she works as an Art Director for House of Blues/Live Nation. Pietsie and her husband, Stephen Hootstein, recently celebrated their third wedding anniversary. Pietsie keeps in touch with several of the 'old girls' from her Norfolk House days.

1984

David Lurie: David is now Business Development Manager for IBM Global Business Services in the Caribbean region, based out of Ottawa. "Yes," says David, "it's a long commute!"

Mark Steele-Mortimer: Mark wrote to us from a hotel in El Salvador, where he currently spends much of his time. After three years running a marketing consultancy and advertising business with friends in Indochina, Mark rejoined SAB Miller, the brewer, in September of 2007. Now based in Bogota as the Marketing Development Director for Central America, Mark covers El Salvador, Honduras and Panama, spending more time in airports than in his apartment!

1986

Rasma Bertz: Rasma and her husband Ari are celebrating the purchase of their new home on Saltspring Island. Rasma has established the Arbutus Wellness Centre in Ganges and has just come back from a cross-country singing tour with the UVic Chamber Singers and Alumni.

Peter Cheung: Peter has lived and worked in Hong Kong for the past twelve years. His career in marketing and communications for the luxury/fashion industry has taken him from the international art and auction world, as Deputy Director for PR and Special Events, Sotheby's Asia, to seven years as Regional Marketing Director for Christian Dior Asia Pacific, and now to a new role, as Regional Vice President of Communication for Versace Asia Pacific. Peter recently paid a visit to Victoria to visit some of his old teachers, tour the campuses, and to reconnect with a time that he remembers and treasures fondly.

1987

Alison Cuthill: Alison is the Athletic Director at St. Mildred's-Lightbourn School in Oakville, Ontario, where she has worked for the last six years.

Rodney Deeprise: Since forming his own interior design firm two years ago, Rodney has been working hard. One of his projects appeared in the June issue of a major national US magazine, *Timber Home Living Magazine* (www.timberhomeliving.com) as the feature home of the month. Rodney's website is www.rodneydeeprise.com.

Michelle (Maggiora) Irwin: Michelle has moved to a new position as a Senior Analyst of Performance Strategies at the BC Ministry of Agriculture and Lands. Michelle is enjoying her career as a public servant, which provides a diversity of job assignments and a great work/life balance.

Ian McAllister: In our last issue of *Traditions*, we mentioned Ian's new book *The Last Wild Wolves: Ghosts of the Rain Forest*, which has won the BC Bookseller's Choice Award and has been nominated for the CBA Libris Award for Non-Fiction Book of the Year. The book is already undergoing a second printing, having sold out three months after its publication in September. Ian's next book will focus on the carnivores of the Great Bear Rain Forest.

1988

Jody Banister: After finishing her BA in French Language at UBC, Jody lived in Hong Kong for four years, Copenhagen for two years, Vancouver for four years, and now lives with her six-year-old son, Aidan, in Montreal. After 10 years with Make-A-Wish as a volunteer and Executive Director of the Quebec chapter, Jody has decided to take on an exciting position spearheading the development of the Herzliah Schools of Montreal, the oldest Jewish School in Montreal and one of the finest private schools in the country with a 0% drop out rate!



Jody Banister with her son Aidan.

Marshall Petrie: After nine great years in his hometown of Victoria, Marshall moved to Vancouver to take a position as the Treasury Manager-Pension Investments at BC Hydro. He is looking to connect with GNS alumni in the Lower Mainland, so drop him a line at marshallpetrie@shaw.ca.

Christopher White: Chris and his wife Diana and three boys, Gabriel Ryan, Finnlay Macgregor, and Mackenzie Cooper, are moving to Singapore. Chris has lived in Hong Kong for the past fourteen years.

1989

Dally Dhillon: Dally would like to let people know she is now on the Alumni Net Directory and also on Facebook. She'd love to hear from former classmates. Dally hopes everyone from the Class of 1989 is doing well and sends regards to the rest of the GNS family, past and present.

Rob Hollis: According to Rob's sister, Susan Hollis ('96), "My other brother, Rob (former head boy and all round golden child, which totally took the pressure off the rest of us thank god), is married to an incredible PEI beauty and has two children, Victoria and

Kingston, who make us all weak in the knees with their whimsical ways."

Allison McCallum: Allison gave birth to Gillian Joan McCallum Murphy at 12:42 a.m. on Saturday, May 24 (one week overdue). She weighed 9lbs 10oz.



Gillian Joan McCallum Murphy.

1990

Candice (Guscott-Bradbury) Navaroli: Candice and husband Jaeson, welcomed their new addition to the family, son Cole, born November 14, 2007.



Cole Navaroli.

Sean MacNeil: Sean and wife, Tatiana, have recently moved to Palo Alto, California, where Sean is the General Manger and Vice-President of the software company, Openwave. In 2007, Sean and Tatiana celebrated the birth of their son, Graycen.

Joel Spicer: Joel and Petra Heitkamp were married on Quadra Island in June 2007. They



Petra Heitkamp and Joel Spicer.

now reside in Washington, DC, where Joel is a TB Health Specialist, based at the World Bank. Joel and Petra recently celebrated the birth of their son, Luke Joshua Richard Spicer.

1991

Shannon (McFerran) Mitchell: Shannon operates a writing/editing business called Paper Hat Editing Services (www.paperhat.ca), providing curriculum writing and a range of other writing, editing, and web design services.

1992

Robin (Hounslow) Farr: Robin graduated with a Master of Arts in Professional Communications from Royal Roads University in November 2007. She currently works in internal communications for the BC Provincial Government as editor for the public service employee intranet, a position she finds to be a perfect blend of challenge and creativity. The site has won awards in communications and organizational transformation. Robin and her husband, Rich are expecting their first baby at the end of June.

Neil Hollis: According to Neil's sister, Susan Hollis ('96), "My wayward brother Neil is living in Vancouver, and since he'll never write about himself, I'll add that he's doing very well and is still able to argue most people under the table using random facts pulled from rare books that nobody has read."

1993

Emira Mears: Emira credits her GNS education as a significant factor in her success as a business- person, and now as an author. She and her business partner, Laura Bacon, have recently co-authored a book entitled *The Boss of You* for young women looking to start their own businesses. They say they wish they'd had such a guidebook when they started their website design business eight years ago. The book was released in May 2008 and can be found on Amazon.com. Emira's company, Raised Eyebrow Web Studio Inc., specializes in website design for national and local non-profit organizations, small businesses, and arts groups.

John O'Shaughnessy: John has returned from Nepal where he was involved with communications for an Everest climb by a remarkable Vancouver climber, Rob Hill, who aimed to be the first Crohn's sufferer and ostomate to make it to the top of the world. John made arrangements to do a "question

and answer" with GNS students directly from Mt. Everest.

Himself an ostomate as a result of childhood bladder cancer, John has been actively involved for several years with IDEAS (Intestinal Disease Education and Awareness Society), an organization that strives to remove the stigma attached to intestinal disease in society. As a young adult, John developed the self-confidence to effectively deal with his condition and began to cultivate his love for sports. He started actively training to compete in marathons and Ironman triathlons. You can read more about John at www.OstomyAthlete.com

1994

Alex Chapple: Alex would like her classmates to know she has recently moved from Toronto to Vancouver to continue working in the communications field.

Catherine Dorazio: Catherine recently accepted an invitation to join Connor, Clark and Lunn Private Capital Ltd. as Vice President, where she continues to work with individual investors, trusts and foundations with comprehensive wealth management solutions. Catherine can be reached at cdorazio@cclgroup.com

Tania Rozalska: Tania has had a busy year! After getting married last summer in Deep Cove, Tania started a new career, and now lives in West Vancouver. Next year, Tania's husband will be completing his post-graduate hydrogeological/geothermal studies in Ontario.

1995

Laura Braden: Laura recently spent three months camping and travelling through six countries in west and southern Africa. One of the highlights of the trip was a music festival in the Sahara Desert, 75 km north of Timbuktu. If anyone would like to contact Laura, or ask questions about African travel, you can email her at laura_braden@hotmail.com.

Helena (Ahlualia) Takhar: Helena, who is married with two beautiful little girls, Jaya (5) and Ria (21 months), still lives in Victoria and teaches in the Saanich School District.

Matthew Clinton-Baker: Matt left teacher training in the Kootenay Mountains in 2002 and travelled to Auckland, New Zealand to teach for two years. In August 2006, Matt married Amy, and they moved to England, where he is currently housemaster of an international boys boarding house. In a few

years, he'd like to move to Switzerland to continue in international education. Although Matt recently "retired" from rugby, he still coaches. Winning the 1995 AA Rugby Provincials with GNS is a fond memory. Matt would like anyone in Europe to feel free to call.

1996

Delphine Famer: Delphine lives in Boulder, CO, where she works as a scientist doing air quality/climate change research. She spent a couple of months last fall doing field work in the Sierra Nevadas in California and then the first few months of this year in the middle of the Brazilian Amazon, which was a fantastic and eye-opening experience.



Delphine Famer.

Geoffrey Gotto: Geoff graduated from the UBC Faculty of Medicine in 2004. In June of 2009, he will complete the UBC Urology Residency Program before moving to New York for two years to complete a fellowship in Oncology at Sloan-Kettering, after which he plans to return to BC. In his free time, Geoff works as an MD with the Blackcomb Ski Patrol.

Susan Hollis: Contrary to popular GNS belief, Susan didn't end up in jail after finishing political science and journalism degrees, but spent a year in France and another in Costa Rica, where she interned at *The Tico Times*. Upon her return, Susan began working as the managing editor of a weekly newspaper in Nelson, BC, a magical place where the real estate is reasonable and the powder light. She moved to Vancouver last spring to pursue freelance writing for a handful of magazines, and as all good jobs come to those who aren't looking, is now a staff writer at *BC Business Magazine*.

Douglas Sauer: Douglas worked at the Canada Pavilion at the 2005 World Expo in Japan where, among other things, he met the Emperor and Empress of Japan

(douglassexpo.spaces.live.com). After a year of Geographical Information Systems studies in Nova Scotia, he migrated westward, landing in Campbell River, where he is happily married and doing GIS in the forest industry.

Rainbow Williams: Rainbow is developing a piece of acreage in The Estates at Spring Lake Ranch in Alberta, just west of Edmonton. Rainbow, his wife Sarah Corker, and baby boy, Zayden Corker Williams (November 2007), moved to Spring Lake in June 2007.

1997

Alex Hertel: "But you can call me 'Dr.'" Alex successfully defended his PhD thesis (Computer Science) on May 2, 2008.

Trevor A.F. Jones: Trevor graduated with his BComm (Dean's List) from the University of Victoria in 2004 and joined KPMG in Victoria. He passed his Chartered Accountant's final examinations in December 2007 and now works in Vancouver with Dale Matheson Carr-Hilton Labonte LLP.

1998

Marjorie Celona: On January 16, 2008, Marjorie was presented with the RBC Bronwen Wallace Award for Emerging Writers for her short story *Othello*, which works with themes of loneliness and growing up. In the words of the award judges, Marjorie's story is "a gift, a world created and presented perfectly." The Wallace award, with a \$5,000 prize from the RBC Foundation, is for Canadian writers under 35 who haven't been published. Marjorie is midway through her master's degree at the Writers' Workshop, University of Iowa.

Sarah (Baxter) Cormier: After graduating from UVic with a BA in English and obtaining her MA in English at Queens and her BED at SFU, Sarah now teaches in West Vancouver. Sarah married Greg in August 2007.

Matt Pettinger: Matt plays for the National Hockey League and was acquired by the Vancouver Canucks in a trade with the Washington Capitals in February 2008.

2002

Jessica Earnshaw: Jessie's mother tells us Jessie works in the film industry as the Chief Researcher for the award-winning filmmaker, Vic Sarin.

Jessica Prince: Jess graduates this summer from Oxford University with her law degree, and in the fall begins the Bar Vocational Course in London, England (the one year course required to become a barrister). Jess won a scholarship from Gray's Inn that covers the cost of the incredibly expensive BVC. Once the course is completed, Jess says she can start looking for her first "real" job!

2003

Alex Lee: Alex is graduating from UVic's business program this summer. In the past year, Alex attended BI Norwegian School of Management in Oslo, Norway, and had internships with both government and accounting firms. After graduation, Alex plans to travel before attending the Chartered Accountant School of Business.

2004

Peter Bell: Peter has finished fourth year studies at UVic and will take advantage of his first major research award this summer, which allows him to work with Rod Mahrt, a GNS parent, at the Victoria office of CIBC Wood Gundy. As a junior mathematician, Peter will provide quantitative support to the Mahrt Investment Group and possibly develop future research arrangements. Peter credits the GNS Math Department with giving him the groundwork to follow a career in his chosen field.

Aslam Husain: Aslam graduated from UBC's BFA Acting Program in May 2008 and, as always, is busy with several plays. This April, Aslam and fellow castmates from the 2007 UBC play *Diary of a Madman* (adapted from the short story by Nikolai Gogol), were invited to participate in the International Theatre School Festival "Setkani/Encounter 2008" in Brno, Czech Republic (<http://www.encounter.cz/>). They were the first entry from North



Aslam Husain (centre) and fellow castmates from the *Diary of a Madman*.

Upcoming Events

Duffer's Delight Fun Golf Tournament

Date: Saturday, August 23, 2008
Time: 3:00 p.m. Shotgun Start
Location: Prospect Lake Golf Course
Contact: Shawn Steele at shawn.steele@shaw.ca or 250.479.2688

Glenlyon Class of 1978 30th Reunion

Date: Saturday, August 23, 2008
Time: 3:00 p.m. Shotgun Start
Location: Play golf at the Duffer's Delight Golf Tournament, Prospect Lake Golf Course
Details: Come for golf, golf and dinner, or dinner only
Contact: Shawn Steele at shawn.steele@shaw.ca or 250.479.2688

Then come to the Class of '78 Reunion on Sunday.

Date: Sunday, August 24, 2008
Time: 3:00 p.m.
Location: At the home of David and Jean Screech
1256 Burnside Rd., Victoria, BC
Contact: David Screech at dscreech@shawa.ca or 250.479.2688

Class of 1998 10-year Reunion

Date: Saturday, August 23, 2008
Time: 3:00 p.m. Shotgun Start
Location: Play golf at the Duffer's Delight Golf Tournament, Prospect Lake Golf Course
Details: Meet the Class of '98 later that evening at the Canoe Club
450 Swift St., Victoria, BC
Time: 9:00 p.m.
Contact: Sarah (Baxter) Cormier at smbaxter@alumni.sfu.ca 604.985.7760

Norfolk Class of 1968 40th Reunion

Date: Saturday, September 13, 2008
Time: 12:30 p.m.
Location: Victoria Golf Club
Contact: Pat (Atkinson) Bates at techjim@shaw.ca
Please RSVP by July 13, 2008

America in the festival's 18-year history and were singled out as the top entry this year. Previously, schools from Germany, Bulgaria, Russia, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Belgium, and the Czech Republic have participated.

2006

Christopher Epps: In July 2007, Chris departed on the SALT (Sail and Life Training Society) gaff-rigged schooner, the *Pacific Grace*. At the time of writing, Chris had completed six of seven legs of an offshore sailing voyage throughout the Pacific Ocean, from Hawaii to Fiji, to Papua, New Guinea, to Japan, to Hawaii, and back to Victoria with many islands and ports in between. Chris was expected to return home from his travels on June 14.



Christopher Epps.

2007

Peter Jawl: Peter, who plays for the Western Mustangs at the University of Western Ontario, has been chosen for the under 20s Canadian Rugby Team, attending the Junior World Championships in Wales in June 2008.

Zoë Seigel: Zoë has worked on four plays this year while attending Acadia University. She will work in her first semi-professional theatre job with the Victoria Shakespeare Society as Stage Manager for the upcoming production of *Much Ado About Nothing*. Zoë is excited about finding a job related to what she is studying.

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Current Staff

Lily Blair: On Tuesday, April 29, 2008, Lily and her family welcomed 'little' Austin Jameson Blair who was born at 5:39 a.m. weighing 9lbs 13oz.

Veryan Wolsak: On Tuesday, April 29, Veryan, her husband Geordie Hobart and daughter Georgia, welcomed Finnegan Cohen Wolsak-Hobart to their family. He weighed 7lbs 6oz.



Austin Jameson Blair and Finnegan Cohen Wolsak-Hobart.

In Memoriam

1939

Joy (Nixon) Mutter: February 6, 2008. Joy attended Norfolk House from 1933 to 1935. She was born in Victoria and lived all her life on Vancouver Island. One of the highlights of Joy's life was raising Highland cattle with her husband, Islay (deceased), at Prospect Lake.

1954

Sally (Simpson) Manwaring: On January 22, 2008, Sally lost her battle with cancer at the age of 70. Sally attended Norfolk House from 1946 to 1952, while brother Hamish attended Glenlyon Preparatory School, founded by their father, Ian Simpson. In the early sixties, Sally moved to Edmonton, where she had a long career as a librarian at the University of Alberta before her retirement in 1996. Sally was a strong supporter of GNS, attending reunions in Alberta on many occasions. She was an avid outdoors person and a committed volunteer in her community. She will be sorely missed.

Former Staff

Muriel Cynthia Fitzwater: April 9, 2008. After a long and varied career in nursing, Cynthia turned her remarkable gardening skills towards Glenlyon School, where she worked from 1979 to 1987. An avid gardener, animal lover and gourmet cook, Cynthia was also a woman of strong convictions. Under her care and attention, the gardens around Glenlyon School flourished, providing pleasure to students, faculty and neighbours for many years.



Mrs. Fitzwater with Mr. Somers, 1981.

Thelma Varcoe: Thelma, a Norfolk House staff member from 1957 to 1965, passed away peacefully on April 29, 2008 in Victoria, BC. Thelma was a resident of Victoria for the past 71 years where she was a Primary Educator at Norfolk House School, St. Paul's Naval and Garrison School and Gonzales Co-op Preschool. She was also involved with P.E.O. (Y Chapter) and served as Provincial President and also had a long affiliation with Juan de Fuca Hospitals where she served in many capacities including Chairman of the Board. 🐾

Extraordinary Effort, Extraordinary Opportunities

This fall, the Class of 2008 is heading off in many different directions, pursuing many different activities. Here are some details about how the extraordinary effort of these students is providing them with some extraordinary opportunities.



Michael Abbey

In the fall, Michael will attend UBC from which he was awarded a scholarship to play soccer. He states, "My goals at UBC soccer-wise are to help the team once again win a National Championship. Regarding school, my ultimate goal is to graduate from UBC with a degree in business. I think this goal is a realistic one, as

long as I am able to find that balance between school, soccer and friends, at University."

Michael has been playing soccer for most of his life for several community and school-based teams. He feels that "finding the balance between school and athletics has kept me grounded throughout my entire life. Soccer has kept me both mentally and physically fit over the years. It has taught me the values of good work ethic that I can apply to my schoolwork when I'm not on the field. Soccer also requires a great amount of concentration over a fairly long period of time. This has helped me to stay on task at school and focus on my work. The most important thing I have learned over the years though, is that school always comes first. I love soccer and don't know what I would do without it, but in the long run, academics are what matter the most."

His advice to other students fittingly comes from an Adidas soccer ad, "Impossible is Nothing." In other words he says, "Anything is possible if you truly want it." When he was younger, he never imagined that one day he would play on a Provincial Championship Team for soccer or attend UBC to play for the Varsity squad. But all the time that he put into soccer and his schoolwork did pay off in the end, and he hopes to see other students follow in his footsteps.



Kate Bruce-Lockhart

Kate is one of 12 students from across the country that was awarded a full four-year scholarship to the University of Toronto through its national scholarship program. In addition to strong grades, she underwent a lengthy application process that challenged her critical thinking and creativity. Once her

application was chosen, she travelled to Toronto for two days of interviews. "You have one committee interview and one with a faculty member," says Kate. "You have to submit a piece of original work, so I gave them my internal assessment for history on Rwanda, and then you sit down and you discuss it with a professor." The scholarship provides for tuition, room and board, and books, and Kate will also have a mentor in her chosen faculty for the first year.

Following in the footsteps of Craig Kielburger, Kate will study Peace and Conflict studies. However, she thinks that eventually she wants to become a teacher. "I've just had so many enriching experiences through high school. Being at GNS is how I discovered my passion for helping others and international development. Before, all I thought about was sports and school, and there's nothing wrong with that, but I guess I now know the impact teachers can have on students."

Kate will also play for the varsity soccer team next year, something she is very excited about. "If I'm not busy, I'm not happy. That's one of the biggest reasons I wanted to do soccer, so I could have balance in my life. If I'm just going to class and maybe a few clubs, I can go to the gym, but it's not the same sort of challenge as soccer—physical and mental. And it's a way to connect with people. For me, I try to do things that I love to do. I don't usually sign up for something just because I think I should!"



Pelle Campbell

Pelle has decided to take a brief but challenging break from the classroom before he begins his studies in Civil Engineering at UBC. Next January, he attends Oure Højskole Sport and Performance, a school in Denmark where he will study to become a ski instructor and take part in outdoor leadership activities. He'll then travel

to France to earn his European ski instructor certificate. He states, "I decided to do this because I thought it would be a great experience and a way to continue my education in a laid back environment while still taking a year off between high school and university."

An avid athlete, Pelle has worked hard to balance school with sports, and he feels it has been worth it. "I've certainly gained team building skills as well as time management. Trying to keep up with homework as well as play on two soccer teams is really quite difficult."

He offers this insightful advice to other students: "Most kids think that they need to get into university straight out of high school, graduate as soon as possible, and start working. The only problem is, most kids don't know what they want to do when they graduate from high school and end up taking an extra year at university anyway. The way I see it, taking a year off is not a waste of a year. You shouldn't be in such a rush to throw yourself into a career that you may or may not enjoy. Your best bet is to step back, look at what you really love, and take some time for yourself to find out what you really want to do. When you look back, your best memories won't be how fast you were able to get into your career, but how much fun you had along the way. There's no point in rushing things when you have your whole life ahead of you."



Sarah Elwood

Looking for a school that offered fantastic academic and athletic opportunities but wasn't too far from home led Sarah to the University of Washington. She was awarded an entrance scholarship and was admitted into the Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies. "I was looking through the course

studies for the international studies program and I wanted to do half the courses!" She gives GNS credit for giving her a more global perspective by providing the chance to participate in the Round Square program and Change Conference.

Her long-term goals include getting either an environmental or international law degree. She even hopes to study and pass the bar in both Canada and the US, so she can work between both countries.

Sarah feels that to achieve balance you have to enjoy being busy and you have to be really organized. "Keeping yourself balanced is just finding time to enjoy what you do. Don't get sick of it. You just have to make sure that you do different things. I think the good part of being balanced is that you keep loving each part of the circle that you are involved in."



Cassie Lyall

This fall, Cassie will attend London Metropolitan University to begin her studies in sports therapy. She looked at programs in Canada and the US but preferred the hands on approach and narrower focus of the program at LMU. It is a three-year program, and the last year is paid as she will work in the university's clinic and hospital.

"My first week there I learn massage therapy. In Canada, I wouldn't get to touch people or machines until my sixth year. I like the hands on. I learn better hands on."

Cassie came to GNS in Grade 11 for the IB program and really had to work hard after being in the public school system. "IB was very tricky for me. Before I would do no homework, and I wouldn't write essays. Tests were really easy, and I just eased my way through. Then I came here, and I actually had to work. But if anyone asked if IB was worth it, I'd definitely say yeah! It prepares you so well for university. If I was still at my other school, I wouldn't even be considering going to Europe. The only reason is because of IB."

During IB exams, Cassie relied on her favourite form of stress relief to see her through—soccer. She has been scouted by the Chelsea women's football club and hopes to play with them next year.



Georgia McGillivray

Georgia has been recruited to play field hockey for Harvard University in the fall. She was spotted by a coach while participating in a US National tournament earlier this year. Although she was co-captain of the GNS Senior Girls team for the past two years, Georgia has been playing field hockey outside of school for

most of her life. "I play for a Victoria Rep team, and then a few years ago, I started playing for BC. And just this last year, I've been playing on the Canadian Junior National Team."

Balancing practices in Vancouver with the course load of the full IB Diploma Programme was tricky, but Georgia feels it was worth it: "I am glad I did the full IB. I think that next year will be a lot easier for me than for other people. Right now, I have no idea what I'm getting myself into, but the level of work that we've had to do and the amount of essays and research and time put into labs, and all that kind of stuff is great preparation for what we're going to do next year." She feels that the support of her fellow IB classmates really kept her on track.

Making the Junior National Field Hockey squad will bring Georgia closer to another dream—the Olympics. "The Canadian women's team this year just missed a berth to the Olympics in Beijing, so they are starting up a new cycle right now and bringing up a lot of the junior athletes," states Georgia. "This summer, all of the junior squad, which is under 23, will be training with the senior team as one unit with the senior national coach. [The team] is in a rebuilding phase, and they'll build up over the next four years."



Katie Morrison

Katie's passion for the theatre began when she played a workhouse child in the GNS production of *Oliver* when she was in Grade 3. She remembers looking up to the Grade 12 students in the production and looking forward to when she could be like them. Next year, Katie will begin working toward her dream of being on Broadway in ten years as she starts her studies at the Canadian College of the Performing Arts in Victoria.

CCP offers a rigorous program that mimics the sometimes harsh reality of the theatre world. "It's a three-year program, and you have to re-audition after each year," says Katie. "And they cut back on students dramatically. My first year class will be about 35 students. Second year is always around 15, and the third year is around 12. It's very, very stressful, but it is preparing you because not everyone gets what they want in the theatre business." Once she completes the program, she may continue her studies at the National Theatre School or pursue a professional contract.

Katie believes the IB Theatre program has really helped prepare her for what is ahead. She says, "IB Theatre was the most amazing experience I have probably ever had. It was hard, and I've learned so much. Words just don't even express it. I think it's helped so much. It really made a difference." And her best advice for other students, "Pick something you love and stay true to it."



May Yoshikawa

In October, May will travel to Fribourg, Switzerland to study German at a university preparatory school before starting her studies in medicine at the University of Zurich in the fall of 2009. May says that she is not certain she wants to be a doctor: "If I like it a lot, I'll end up being a doctor. What I'm thinking of now is going into

public health to help in developing countries." This interest was sparked by a trip she took in the spring of 2007 to work on a service project in Honduras. She hopes to return there next year after she completes her German studies. In order to prepare for her return to Honduras, May is planning a trip to Spain this summer to learn Spanish.

May feels it is important for students to look at their interests before deciding what direction to choose: "I didn't know what I was going to do until recently. And I still don't know if this is what I want to do. I think the main thing is just to try [something you are interested in], and if it doesn't work, you can always go into something else. I am trying [medicine] to see if I like it, because I like sciences." May believes that every experience will help you in some way. She says that "taking a year off is really good, too, because you can find yourself and meet different people outside of school. You can think about what you like and how you can apply those things to your studies." Essentially, May understands that it's okay if you don't know all the answers right away: "It's hard to decide what to do. Just follow what you really like." ❄️



Grads of 2008 – Where Are They Headed?

Michael Abbey – University of British Columbia
 Amber Baker – travel
 Justin Bedi – University of Victoria
 Connor Bottrell – University of Victoria
 Maevid Bowman – University of Victoria
 Ross Bright – University of British Columbia
 Simone Brodie – University of Victoria
 Kate Bruce-Lockhart – University of Toronto
 Michelle Butterfield – University of Victoria
 Pelle Campbell – Oure Hojskole Sport and Performance; University of British Columbia
 Ignacio Cardona Madero – University of Waterloo
 Paul Cousins – University of Victoria
 Katie de Hoog – working; Queen's University or Camosun College
 Sarah Elwood – University of Washington
 Karen Faint – working; Pacific Design Academy
 James Frazier – University of British Columbia

Greg Hodgson – Heavy Duty Equipment Course
 Izumi Imoto – University of Victoria
 Shealand Keais – University of Victoria
 Alison Keller – Kyrewood Equestrian Academy
 Erin Kerr – University of Victoria
 Min Kim – University of Waterloo
 Ross Koopmans – University of British Columbia or McGill University
 Katie Lai – Carleton University
 Kristina Lidstone – University of British Columbia
 Eric Lowe – University of British Columbia
 Cassie Lyall – London Metropolitan University
 Kyla MacKenzie – University of Victoria
 David Mathieson – Camosun College
 Georgia McGillivray – Harvard University
 Taylor McKenzie – Capilano College
 Kyle McQueen – University of Victoria
 Kelsey Mohr – University of British Columbia

Kirill Moisyeyev – University of Toronto
 Kathleen Morrison – Canadian College of the Performing Arts
 Kevin Neilson – University of Victoria
 Kelly Park – University of Toronto
 Ginette Potentier – University of Victoria
 Mark Rankin – Queen's University
 Merrell Rome – work/travel; University of Victoria
 Eric Samer – Camosun College
 Serena Selkirk – University of Victoria
 Rajan Sihota – Academy of Art University
 Greyson Stelmaschuk – undecided
 Kiah Treacher – Queen's University
 Phillip Upton – University of British Columbia
 Matthew Vasilev – McGill University
 Graeme Waller – Camosun College
 Sam Wilson – GAP
 Yukina Yamamoto – University of Victoria
 May Yoshikawa – studying German; University of Zurich

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