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The alumni association is in the midst of adding another component to its web site; the Sports Hall of Fame. Located under the Sports History link, it is an attempt to preserve not only the photos that have started to fade under the ravages of sunlight in the school corridor, but also the efforts and accomplishments of hundreds of athletes over the decades. Where possible we have linked names of students and teams to a photograph. We hope you enjoy this feature and we ask that you point out any obvious mistakes. Should you have a photo that you would like to have us post on site, please let us know. Some team and individual photos are either missing or are below acceptable standards. We are hopeful that **Tom Walker's** [1983] efforts to assemble a similar collection for the Music Dep't will eventually be able to go on line as well.

With the 50th reunion less than three months away, may we remind everyone that even though someone currently may live only a few miles from the school there is no guarantee that they have heard about the event. Please let all family members and friends know. It is a fact of life that not everyone so enjoyed their high school years that they want to attend in May; nevertheless, it would be a shame if they were not at least given a chance to say "no thanks". So many people assume that we know where they live, but forget to tell us when they move or change their e-mail address. Your help is invaluable. This is likely to be the final reunion organized by the current executive. They have given 30 years to the task and are looking to others to pass the torch to.

Where Are They Now?

Christine Pizziol [1981] sent us an e-mail. "After an honours BA in political science from Carleton University, I came to France with the Frenchman I met during my third year at Laval University. We live just outside Paris with our two children Lisa, 14, and Nicolas, 17. I've worked at the OECD (the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development) for 12 years, then for a current affairs TV programme

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called "Envoyé Spécial" and am now with the English-language service of Radio France Internationale." ... **Peter Paterson** [1973] is retired from the Victoria Fire Dep't and currently involved in organizing a reunion get-together of as many members of the '70-'71 and '71-'72 football championship teams as he can find. **Ed Serjeantson** still refers to that group as the toughest, physically and mentally, of all the teams he ever coached.... **Norma Jean Wauchope** [1970] and **Gerry Rankine** [1971] are long time residents of Pennville, north of Schomberg ...**Michelle Scott** [1985] is teaching with the Simcoe County Board of Education... **Carol Huycke** [1979] is doing likewise in York Region while her brother **Allan Huycke** [1967] writes from lovely Bracebridge that he is planning to attend the reunion. We have also heard from the following that they will be back in King City in May for the festivities: **John McDougall** [1985], **Holly Anderson** [1979], Elizabeth Peldszus [1968], Lynne Rossiter [1979], James Hayward [1963], **Michele La Fond** [1981], **Mike Clairmont** [1981] **Pat Tough** [1984], **Len Simpson** [1962], **Kirsten Eif** [1965] and former teacher **Roy Nettleton**.

Lost Sheep:

Jane Phorson [1972] is looking for **Diane Bodi** [1972] and **Andrea Schmidt** [1972]; so are we. **Daniel McConnachie** [1972] is trying to complete his search for similar classmates and would like to hear from Karla Kenney [1972] and **Patti Fenn** [1972]. Former teachers **Tom Bremner**, **David Wilson**, **Karen Lindsay** and **Donna Wright** have all moved and left no forwarding address. If you know their whereabouts please let us know. What ever became of the brothers, **Jim Rushton** [1964] and **Don Rushton** [1967]? Finally, this group of students has eluded our grasp for many years; can anyone help us find **John Lee** [1965], **Richard Lee** [1969], **Michelle Silvestri** [1981], **Annette Silvestri** [1982], **Karen Banting** [1977], **Paula Banting** [1979] or **Norm Yeates** [1998] and **Victor Yeates** [2000], Don Ham [1975], **John Bowser** [1970], **Bob Cairns** [1965], **Allan Reynolds** [1962] and **Heidi Riffert** [1981]?

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Do You Remember ... any details about the first day of school back in September of 1961? The alumni association would welcome any memories of what you remember from that long-ago day. Was the school still under construction? Did everyone gather in the main gym to begin the day and receive class room assignments? Who addressed the students; both **Mr. O'Beirn** and **Mr. Turchin**? Was the staff introduced? Did anyone care? If anyone from that day would care to forward their memories we would certainly appreciate it.

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PLO Just over a week to go before the 50th reunion and a few big questions remain unanswered. At the top of the list is the number of people expected on the weekend. All signs point to a larger-than-usual crowd if the number of "hits" on the reunion web site is any indication. People can make everyone's job a little easier by going to kcss50th.com and indicating their intention to attend. If the committee senses that the numbers promise to be significantly larger than in previous years then plans can be made to ask for more student volunteers, bring in more refreshments and have more name tags at the ready. Other dilemmas: should the Grease Ball Boogie offer disco? Will the weather cooperate for the Classic Car Show? And where will people park? Please check the web site address above for more details on the last point as we get closer to May 13....For the first time in years the Case of Distinction ceremony was not held last year, the reason being that all energies were concentrated on replacing it with the Speakers Forum on May 13. This promises to be a worthwhile opportunity for many current students to hear about the careers of some very inspirational, and successful, grads of King City S.S. Approximately a dozen actors, scientists, athletes and trailblazers in a number of fields will be present to offer insight and advice to young people on career choices and life experiences....Finally, the reunion committee would like to thank all of the former students who have spend countless hours attempting to contact friends and former classmates in order to tell the latter about the reunion. Everyone appreciates very much all of the effort which you have put into this event.

Where Are They Now? Mike Peterson [1980] is currently the Chair of the Department of Behavioral Health and Nutrition at the University of Delaware, Maryland.... Liz Eif[1970], once a Lost Sheep, is no longer lost. She has been found alive and well in Holland Landing...James Rushton [1964] is in Indiana living the good life, and plans on being at the reunion...Peter Paterson [1972] recently retired from the Victoria BC fire department and has been an accomplished painter for many years. Pete and Dan McConnachie [1972] are organizing a gathering of their 1970-1972 Intermediate and Senior football teams. They have

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contacted approximately 12-15 who plan on being at the mini reunion. If you played on one of these teams and would like to join the likes of Dave Peddle [1971], Cliff Kitchen [1972], Ray Honey [1972] Mike Shields [1972] and, of course, Ed Serjeantson please contact Dan for further details. He can be reached at dmconnachie@rogers.com.... Alan Huycke [1967] and Dave Coons [1967], who both live in Bracebridge, but separately, checked in recently...John Druzina [1984] has been with the Ministry of Transportation for years in their IT division. Both he and Tara Browne [1986] will be at the reunion...Joan Chamberlain, who was on the original staff at KCCS [1961-1965] is retired from teaching and living in Peterborough. Unfortunately, a knee operation will keep her from attending the reunion but she says "hi" to all and wishes everyone the best... Two of her teaching companions in the early years, Joy Morning and Duncan Fidler have both registered to attend.

Lost Sheep: We are hoping that Mike Peterson will contact us again and let us know where his brother Scott Peterson [1978] can be found... Mary Bridger [2004] is looking for her former classmate, Andrew McNulty [2004]. If anyone can help it would be appreciated...

Do You Remember ... either of our school songs? If you attended King after 1985 the chances are that you do not. At some point between the school's official opening in April, 1962 and the first Commencement in November of the same year, Nestor Olynyk, the school's first Head of Music, unveiled "The Green, White and Gold". This was our patriotic voice for six years until Don Caple, father of two students and uncle of two students at King, penned the music "The King Venturers". His offspring Nick [1968] and Deborah [1971] worked on the lyrics. Students of the 70s and 80s sang the song lustily at Commencement exercises, pep rallies and other school functions until it was allowed to die a quiet death through neglect. Finally, after years of lying dormant, our school songs are being resurrected by Tom Walker [1983], the current and very successful Head of Music at King. They will be unveiled at the reunion's official ceremony on Saturday, May 14.

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After a year's absence as the association geared up for the 2011 reunion, the Case of Distinction ceremony returned on Saturday, October 1 as four new members were inducted, bringing the total to 40 former students. **Michelle [Shely] Basic** [1988], **Krista Look** [1990], **Carson Payne** [1971] and **Michael Ballard** [1974] had their listeners alternately in stitches and spellbound as they individually reminded former staff in the audience of the influence the former had on their careers. Michelle was lavish in her praise of former Art teacher, **Jack White**, who inspired Michelle to become one of this country's foremost young artists, notable for her attempts to preserve the history of old buildings in Ontario. Former Theatre Arts teacher **Carol Wells** sent a kind note to be read on behalf of Krista whom she praised as, "... an extremely special student ... working with her was a highlight among my years at KCSS". Krista was inducted in the category of Arts and Entertainment for her work with the CBC. Carson became the second member of the Payne family to be enshrined in the Cases *, in the category of Entrepreneurial Science and Technology, for his internationally acclaimed work in such diverse areas as hovercraft innovations, factory design and injection moulding systems. Finally, Michael Ballard, cancer survivor and motivational speaker, talked about the organization which he founded, Resiliency for Life, and his attempts to provide comfort and aid to people facing "life's big issues" as he put it.

* Cindy having been inducted in 2005. She also flew in from Vancouver to introduce her brother. **Kristi Kanitz** [1988] did likewise for her good friend, Michelle.

New principal, **Tod Dungey**, and Student Council president, **Emily Cabral**, welcomed everyone to the school and thanked Carson and Michael for speaking to classes the day before. In the last few years the school has been able to take greater advantage of the experiences and speaking abilities of our inductees by having them address groups of students whenever possible, a practice which the alumni association hopes to continue.

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Paul Heaslip [1979], who created the reunion web site, would appreciate it if anyone has any photos from the reunion that they could share with fellow students. If you took any pictures, and wish to make them available to be displayed on either the above site or the alumni web site, kindly forward them to the association at

kcssalumni@hotmail.com

Will post them and give appropriate credit.

Where Are They Now?

Linda Veisbergs [1973] e-mailed to say how sorry she was to have missed the reunion; however, she has re-located to Sharon, ON, and looking forward to seeing photos of the reunion soon... **Nick Dymont** [2002] received an engineering degree from Waterloo and recently has returned from Australia... **Joe Flemming** [1996] works for Air Canada in Halifax and passed along a message to us, "... unfortunately I didn't get to finish at KCSS, I returned to Halifax to finish my last couple years. I played on the Junior Football team for **Duncan Ellis**. I think I missed the class photos, but I'm in the team photo in the yearbook... I tell my wife all the time about my experience at King City and how I'd love to have my little guy attend such a school. We don't have as many programs down here. No Auto Mechanics or anything of the sort till community college"... **Diane Serapiglia** [1997] operates the Michaels craft store in Newmarket... former teacher **Elizabeth Carsley**, who was at KCSS from 1966 to 1968, is now retired from her editing job at North American Life Insurance [Assurance] Co... **Steve Rutledge** [1994] is currently employed by the York Region District School Board in an IT capacity... finally, **Leanne Thurston** [1997] is a wedding planner in Aurora and about to move with her husband to the American west coast for a period of time

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Lost Sheep:

We have had no contact with the following people for many years; your help would be appreciated if you know of their whereabouts: **Elizabeth Tilley** [1995], **Rick Kelly** [1979], **Don Smith** [1964], **Donna Gray** [1982], **Cindy Rayner** [1983], **Rob Claiquiri** [1994], **Tony Sciara** [1980], **Terry Crowder** [1967] and **Wayne Adair** [1966]

Do You Remember ... some local landmarks that no longer exist? Leslie Motors? The pool hall in the plaza next to the school? Langdon's Bus Lines? How about the Dominion Hardware Store, Walkington Insurance, Stan Roots Fuel Co. or, further afield, Bardi's restaurant? Maybe you worked for the Archon and had to approach them for an ad.

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It has been over 20 years since a KCSS senior football team managed to navigate the regular season without surrendering so much as a single point to the opposition but this year's edition managed this rather rare feat. The league standings are below.

Senior Boys Tier 1 Football Standings

Central	GP	W	L	T	PTS	PF	PA	DIFF
King City SS	6	6	0	0	12	244	0	119
Brother Andre	6	5	1	0	10	144	119	23
Huron Heights	6	4	2	0	8	219	55	59
Markham District	6	3	3	0	6	149	71	26
Dr. G.W. Williams	6	3	3	0	6	135	85	10
Newmarket HS	6	2	4	0	4	59	211	-51
Bill Crothers SS	6	2	4	0	4	137	129	-18
Woodbridge College	6	1	4	1	3	47	228	-63
St. Joan Of Arc	6	0	5	1	1	39	275	-105

GLOSSARY

GP: Games Played, W: Wins, L: Losses, T: Ties, PTS: Points, PF: Points For, PA: Points Against, DIFF: Differential

Coached by **Jeff Masterson**, **Brad Matwijec** and **Frank Nardone**, the boys allowed but 2 points in their semi final victory over Markham before crushing Brother Andre CHS 30-0 in the championship game which was held @ Bill Crothers S.S. The Lions unfortunately lost in their Metro Bowl game match up vs. St. Andrew's College, but this did little to tarnish what was a terrific season.

The last King team to shut out the opposition over the regular season was the 1989 squad led by **Ed Serjeantson**, **Rob Wright**, **Mike**

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Mallory and **Phil Honey**. That team captured the YRAA championship and went on to also win the DYSSAA championship.

Where Are They Now?

Alanna Whittaker [2010] was recently highlighted on the cover of the October 15 edition of *Style* magazine this year. Alanna is obviously one of this country's up and coming fashion models...

Chandra McMillan [1994] is running an equine rehabilitation centre just outside Tottenham ON.....

Lost Sheep:

Lee-Ann Narduzzi (1995), **Victor Krizan** (1985), **Andrew McWhir** (1980), **Zalema Mohan** (1997), **Yvonne Leonard** (1975) and **John Hutchins** (1978)

Do You Remember ...

training, or getting out of class, for Track and Field Day?