

# Loyola Today

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## **Hall of Merit**

The Hall of Merit was established in 1984. Since its inception, forty-four alumni and associates have been inducted into the Hall. The stories of their lives tell of incredible service to humanity, a service that cuts a swath through all segments of society. One of the criteria for induction into the Hall is the Loyola spirit of "living for others" and when one reflects on the lives of the inductees, it is an encouragement to all of us to get involved --- a call to not just mouth the platitudes but, through our actions, to be there for those in need. These men and women are wonderful role models for our students who continually hear the phrase "men and women for others". What better venue for them to learn about the meaning of these words than to hear firsthand, that there are many individuals in the Loyola Community whose lives are lived in the service of others.

It had been a number of years since the Hall had accepted any new members. Last year, a committee was established to restart the process. A call went out to the Loyola Community to send recommendations for induction into the Hall. The response was wonderful. There was an impressive number of individuals who stood out and three were chosen. They were presented to the student body at an assembly in May of 2015. However, there were still a number of outstanding individuals on that list who deserved induction. Accordingly, five additional individuals were chosen for induction this year. Their stories are below.

#### Mr. Gavin Fernandes '82/ Ms. Teresa Dellar

fter Loyola, Gavin attended Concordia, where he obtained his B.Sc. In 1988, he started working as a re-recording mixer on television series. By 1995, he moved on to mixing feature films and, in this capacity, has been nominated for dozens of Canadian



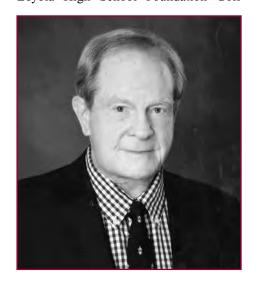
screen awards. Gavin began volunteering while still at Loyola and his passion for helping others has resulted in his extensive history of service with charities and organizations in his community. Currently, he spends as much time as possible helping at the West Island Palliative Care Residence, which was co-founded by his wife, Teresa Dellar.

She graduated from Villa Maria and then acquired her Bachelor's and Master's degrees in social work from McGill. The idea of a palliative care residence in the West Island grew out of her concern for terminally-ill patients who had to be transferred to downtown facilities to spend their final days away from their communities and their loved ones. As a result of her unconditional commitment and irrepressible perseverance, the West Island Palliative Care Residence opened its doors in 2002. At this exceptional facility, patients receive 24-hour comfort care, spiritual and psychological support and advanced end-of-life services. Together, Gavin and Teresa have devoted many years in the service of others. Together, Gavin and Teresa are outstanding examples of what it means to be "men and women for others".

#### Mr. J. Barry MacDonald '61

fter graduating from Loyola, Barry obtained a degree from the University of Michigan (1966) and the following year, began his long association with Robco Inc., a company of which he is the Chairman and CEO. For nearly fifty years, he has supported and been the main benefactor of a large number of not-for-profit organizations and good causes ranging from the Mackay Foundation to the Montreal Children's Hospital, always under the public radar.

Loyola has also benefited greatly from Barry's volunteerism and involvement. In addition to his financial support of the school's "Foundation", Barry was also involved in the "Reaching New Heights" Capital Campaign (2003 – 2009) and was a member of both the LHS Foundation Board (1997 – 2003) and the LHS Governing Board from 2003 until 2009. Furthermore, Barry was instrumental in establishing and developing the annual Loyola High School Foundation Golf



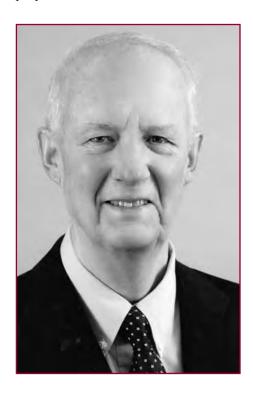
Tournament, a marquis event that has raised significant funds for bursaries over the years. He is supportive and generous because he cares deeply for others and for his community. He has certainly lived as a "man for others" since his graduation from Loyola in 1961, an inspiration to all of us.

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### Dr. Paul Campbell Noble '54

n "eight-year" Loyola man, Paul joined the McGill faculty in 1963, as a Professor of Political Science, a position he held until 2001. Over the years, he taught and advised countless McGill grads, including future government and foreign ministry officials, professors, journalists, broadcasters and people of influence from all over the



world. He published numerous articles and book chapters on international relations and foreign policy and domestic politics in the Middle East. He also brought his considerable expertise in Middle Eastern politics to bear in public service in Canada. A man of quiet spiritualty, he has engaged in a faithful, lifelong involvement with the Church, giving generously of himself to Church-related and other social justice causes, including Peace and Development, the N.D.G. Food Bank and Benedict Labre House. A dedicated husband, father (of five sons, all of whom are Loyola grads), teacher, scholar, committed citizen, communityminded person, man of faith, thoughtful human being and generous soul, Paul Campbell Noble is an abiding example of a life lived humbly and authentically as a "man for others".

#### Mr. Stanley Vincelli '63

fter graduating from Loyola, Stanley (Stan) Vincelli attended Oueen's University, where he obtained a degree in Metallurgical Engineering. While his successful, professional career is noteworthy, it is his life-long commitment to a great number of non-profit organizations that distinguishes this unpretentious "man for others". He has given of his time and energy to, among others, Nazareth House, the MAB-Mackay Foundation Board and Camp Massawippi, a summer camp for the physically handicapped and the McGill University Health Centre Foundation. Since 2004, Stan has been president of Benedict Labre House, a day-centre for



the homeless, and has played a major role in its revitalization. More recently, Stan presided over the LHS Board of Governors and was the driving force for the Loyola High School Strategic Planning process that was completed in December 2014. He is a man of conscience and compassion, whose commitment to a life in the service of others has made a difference.

On behalf of the students of Loyola, past and present, the Loyola community extends a sincere thankyou to Teresa, Gavin, Barry, Paul and Stan, for leading by example and showing us in a very concrete way that we can make a difference.

# Planned Giving

s any Loyola scholar would know, the Robbie Burns line, "The best laid plans of mice and men often go awry" signals the futility of making detailed plans when the ability to execute them is uncertain.

While this expression may hold true in some cases, it does not in the world of philanthropy! A benefactor who wisely plans his giving options (with the sound advice of a financial advisor) can develop a strategy to provide a significant future 'Planned Gift' in a manner that will secure and maximize the many financial and tax benefits available to him.

A Planned Gift may be:

Any type of asset: including cash, securities, personal property or real estate;

Major or minor: ranging from small bequests to endowments worth millions:

Designated for a particular purpose or may be unrestricted;

Of immediate benefit to the school or the benefit may be deferred until the death of the donor or beyond.

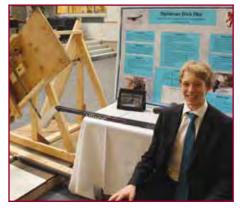
Planned Giving benefits donors by providing financially secure individuals with opportunities for preserving wealth for their heirs while meeting the charitable needs of the school. There are planned giving strategies to suit donors of all ages and income levels.

One example is the gift of Life Insurance. There are various ways by which an insurance policy may be donated to Loyola. A donor may: 1-Assign irrevocably a paid-up policy to the school; 2-Assign irrevocably a policy upon which premiums remain to be paid; or, 3- Name Loyola as the primary beneficiary of the proceeds. In all cases when ownership is irrevocably assigned to Loyola, the donor is entitled to a gift receipt for the net cash surrender value and for any premiums subsequently paid.

Should you wish to discuss your options further, please do not hesitate to contact **Pat Dubee at 514-486-1101 ext. 258** or **dubeep@loyola.ca**.

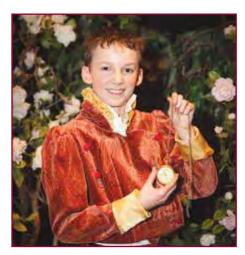
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or those of you who participated in the Science Fair in years past, there was another successful exhibit in January of this year. The usual level of innovative thought was to be found and the judges were all very impressed with the students' level of professionalism and dedication to their work.



Jonah Smith of 3A demonstrates "The Optimum Stick Flex".

If you are one of the unlucky ones who missed Loyola Drama's production of **Frankenstein** or you just want to watch it again, it is now available for viewing at <a href="http://news.loyola.ca/">http://news.loyola.ca/</a> along with the official trailer and a behind-the-scenes video that includes backstage footage and interviews with cast members and the director.



Gregory Wight of 1A in his first Loyola Drama Production.

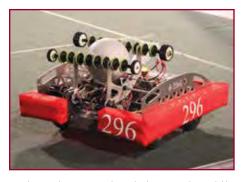
Talent Night has been a part of the Loyola Calendar as far back as any of us care to remember. In February, students, teachers, family and friends braved a snowstorm and attended the 2016 version. Thanks to a hard working committee and

workcrew, it was a showcase of outstanding performers. An enthusiastic and attentive audience made the night very special and one that will be remembered for a long time to come!



Benjamin Lusterio-Adler and Jackson Thouret did a masterful job as this year's Talent Night MCs.

If you happened to be walking around the High School in late afternoon during the January to March interval, you would most likely have noticed a group of dedicated techies down in the bowels of the school working into the night assembling a Robot. Alumnus Nicholas Chow '04 heads up the Robotics Team 296 composed of students from Loyola and Sacred Heart. The team had a great run



at the Oshawa Regionals in March. While they were eliminated in the quarter finals, they worked hard and showed dedication and professionalism throughout. They also had lots of fun awing spectators with their Northern Knight mascot, and even played a match on the Rick Mercer show! The Northern Knights have competed in FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) competitions since 1999, and have more recently grown to include teammates from Sacred Heart. We wish them the best of luck at the

*Montreal Festival des Robotiques* in the beginning of April.

Loyola's vaunted **Sports Program** was in high gear. Congratulations to the Juvenile Warriors for convincingly winning the GMAA indoor track and field event. Notable mention goes to Dominic Salvo who won six gold medals and scored the most points of any athlete at the meet. The swim team, led by team captain Charles Coffin, earned the school its second consecutive triple crown, winning GMAA championships in Midget, Juvenile and Aggregate categories.

Loyola's Wrestling Team won the GMAA championship at the Kahnawake Survival School. Sixteen different Loyola



Tomas Caprera takes Gold in the 1500 meters.

wrestlers won medals, including eight gold medals, and Joshua McCarthy was named the tournament's top wrestler. This was a great comeback win after a disappointing loss in The Meagher Tournament.

The Peewee Hockey Scouts won the GMAA city championship over Lester B. Pearson. It was a solid team effort, right from the opening face-off. The team was led all season by the championship game MVP and captain, Anthony Dicriscio. They also added the Ed Meagher Trophy to their list of accomplishments this year. The Bantam and Juvenile teams are presently in the playoffs vying for city gold.

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The Loyola Bantam Braves Basketball Team staged an upset victory over Selwyn House in the GMAA finals. Led by game MVP Diego Handinero, the victory ended Loyola High School's fourteen year drought in Bantam Basketball. Although the team got tremendous individual performances, it was the teamfirst mentality and balanced offence that defined this edition of Bantam Basketball.

The Ed Meagher Tournament was a wonderful break in the school year. It took place in the dog days of winter and awakened the competitive spirit. There were of course winners and losers but as time goes on, it is the great thrill that the athletes experience when introduced at the Opening Ceremonies in front of their peers and then later, to hear their buddies cheer them on. The usual showcase of events is part and parcel of the opening ceremonies. Maestro John Pasquini conducts the school orchestra out on the ice (many dressed in their game outfits), to liven up the atmosphere and lead the singing of the Canadian Anthem. Marc de Verteuil introduces the teams, as only he can, and dignitaries parade back and forth. The Honorary Chairman of this year's Tournament was none other than Marco Santillo '84. Marco was recognized for volunteering his time, energy and talents to both the school and the Tournament for the last nineteen years. It would be remiss not to mention The Ed Meagher Scholarship recipient, Joseph Tutino '15. Joseph excelled both academically and athletically in his tenure at Loyola and his leadership qualities made him an obvious choice to receive this annual award.

The Tournament is now in its 46th year and it evokes many memories from the past. When **Mike McIntyre** played in it in 1996, he was the goalie on the Juvenile Hockey Team that year. Hearing that the Tournament was coming up, he sent this reminiscence:

"Though I never had Ed Meagher as a teacher at Loyola, his impact on me was immeasurable. Convinced to join the house league hockey program by Ed in secondary two, my confidence soared under his welcoming coaching style. I'll never forget how he called me the "Shutout Kid" in the hallways at school despite the fact I may or may not have ever held the opposing team scoreless. Shortly after his passing, the Juvenile hockey team was playing in the

Ed Meagher Sports Tournament. We as a team, dedicated our performance at the Tournament to Ed and we won it for the first time since its inauguration, twenty-six years earlier. What a thrill! Adorning the trophy with Ed's Notre Dame hat seemed to be the most fitting way to pay tribute to one of the greatest "men for others" Loyola has ever seen."

Congratulations to all our athletes who had wonderful seasons and learnt the meaning of teamwork. Over the Spring Break, the Juvenile Hockey Team was in Europe. Coach **Phil Lafave** played on the Juvenile Hockey Team back in



Jarrett Lobley '96 was the first Loyola Captain to hoist the Juvenile trophy.

1987. They had a wonderful trip to Czechoslovakia and it obviously left an impression on him. Since his tenure as Juvenile Hockey Coach, he has been to the European theatre on seven different occasions. One of his players this year, **Matthew Brues '17**, wrote the following observation of the trip:

"On February 25, sixty plus players, managers, coaches, family members and friends of the Warriors, set out on an unbelievable experience. Our journey began in Berlin (Germany) and went on to include Prague in the Czech Republic, Krakow (Poland), Budapest (Hungary), Salzburg (Austria) and ended up in Munich (Germany). We visited five countries and six cities in fourteen days. We played five hockey games during our trip. Highlights included a guest goaltender appearance by Manager Rocco Cirillo and his fabulous save off his own defenseman's slap shot and Jake Burns' shootout goal.

Our visit to Auschwitz was memorable in many ways. We had studied

about this period in our history program, but to be there and see the actual site and remains, was something I will never forget. The Salt Mines in Krakow were awesome. It is unbelievable to imagine miners carving statues like Michelangelo. Another highlight was "the baths" in Budapest. Everyone was really relaxed after that outing.

The entire Warrior family cannot thank Mr. Lafave, Mr. Elie and Mr. Mongeon enough for all of their time and effort that went into this adventure. This is an experience we will never forget and we will talk about forever." We are such stuff as dreams are made on...

The Montreal Experience focused on helping out where needed and interacting with the elderly, the physically and intellectually challenged, and the lessfortunate people around the city. The goal for these days was to create an awareness among our students of who these people are and what they face each day, men and women we do not often get the chance to spend time with, but with whom we share this city. About forty students volunteered for the week at a number of different places, from Benedict Labre House to the Mackay Centre School. One of the staff volunteers commented: "I just have to commend these four boys - what an outstanding group of young men! It was a wonderful experience. I know the boys were really enjoying their time at L'Arche and were interacting well with the residents!"

Six years ago, Loyola introduced a smattering of the Secondary Fours to a unique cultural experience, namely a week immersed in the lives of families living in the **Dominican Republic**. In keeping with the goals and purposes of Jesuit education and in the spirit and direction of our new pope, Francis, the program was expanded three years ago and this year, ninety-eight secondary fours (as well as another ten students who went to Belize) had the opportunity to observe the way the majority of the world lives. It was truly an eye opener, not just for the students but also for the support team of teachers, staff, some parents and alumni. This was the second year that Tony Ruscitto, our Building Manager, volunteered to help out and he was more acutely aware this year than last, of the poor conditions these

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people face on a daily basis. It was a reality check for him to observe how these people survive with so little. When one takes a moment to reflect on daily life in Canada, this is probably one of the few times our students have had such an experience to strengthen their resolve on social justice. Moreover, they all come back with a heightened appreciation of community and family. **Paul Donovan**, in a letter to this year's parents, stated: "Previous groups have discovered something



that I believe to be truly necessary for our students to understand their place in the world – namely gratitude." This is a program that has much potential to truly change the way our students view the global community and hopefully sow the seeds of future interaction with those less fortunate.

For the latest news and events happening at Loyola, visit www.loyola. ca, like our Facebook page and follow us on Twitter (@loyolamontreal).

## **President's Message**

lmost three quarters of the school year has now gone by and I am still getting used to being president. It's a strange feeling; I guess I expected that having a layperson, as president of Loyola High School, would evoke a greater response from our constituents. To be honest, I wasn't sure of what kind of response to expect. On the one hand, having a lay president marks the end of an era. On the other, it marks the beginning of another. People seem to have accepted this transition without much reaction. Perhaps this is because it had been anticipated for a while, but whatever the reason, it brings to the forefront the question of what it means to be a Jesuit school. Are we still a Jesuit school even though the senior administration is now composed entirely of laity?

In April, we will be signing the firstever sponsorship agreement between Loyola High School and the Canadian Jesuit Province. The agreement highlights what it means to be a Jesuit school. As the introduction to the agreement indicates, "Like the Society of Jesus itself, a Jesuit school acts in service of the worldwide mission of the Church. Jesuit education, in keeping with the universal mission of the Society of Jesus, is called to be truly, even radically different, having at its very core the love of God who creates us with a purpose, and who creates all things to help us find and achieve that purpose." This is the fundamental identity of Loyola.

All of us, lay and religious, participate in the universal mission of the Church.

For Loyola to truly be a Jesuit school, it must understand its particular mission of educating youth in the context of that universal mission and the overall mission of the Jesuits. There are so many educational theories out there that try to define and understand what good pedagogy is, but I have rarely seen any



Paul Donovan, President.

that begin with a vision of what education is for. What is its aim? The methodology, the atmosphere, the heart of a school are very much determined by this aim. Yet, much of the time, the aim remains shallow, vague or undetermined. For Loyola, "having at its very core the love of God who creates us with a purpose, and who creates all things to help us find

and achieve that purpose," is the vision at the beginning and at the end of our educational aim.

So can Loyola continue to be a Jesuit school as its leadership is undertaken more and more by laity? The answer is clearly "yes", as long as we remain faithful to the Jesuit vision and methodology of education. For me, this becomes the greatest challenge of my work as president. For all of you who read this newsletter, it becomes your challenge as well, because it is you who carry the torch. And, as fewer Jesuits administer the school, the onus is on us to keep the flame burning brightly, to be beacons of hope in a world so desperately in need of hope. It can no longer suffice for us to trust that, "someone else will do it." As administrators, teachers and staff at Loyola, we are ever more fervently charged with exploring, understanding and growing in the Jesuit spirituality that animates our education. As parents, alumni and friends of Loyola, our task is to bring that vision, that spirituality to our own lives and to the world. Without that, Loyola does not serve its purpose.

This is our trumpet call; it is our time to choose our banner. Do we lament the loss of the Jesuits and reminisce about the spirituality that used to be? Or, do we take up the challenge to be the instruments of grace, to discover in all things the purpose for which God made us, and follow that purpose with all our hearts, minds and strength, so that through us, God may set the world on fire?

## Football at Loyola: 1915 - 1940

First in a Series of Three Parts

Football at Loyola began in 1915, where Senior and Intermediate teams faced Montreal High, Ottawa Collegiate, Westmount Academy and Catholic High. Loyola used the year to perfect skills in strength, speed and teamwork. Senior Captain, **J. Gallery**, led his men to several victories and at the end of the year the teams were entered in a league, bringing them to the same level of importance as hockey.

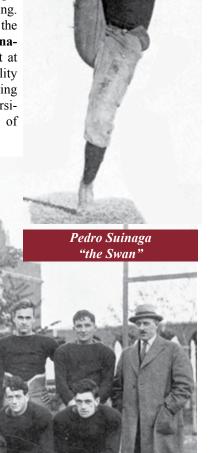


1918 Intermediate Football Team Standing – McGarr, Villada, Gallegos, Decary, Tobin, Wendling, Nunez, Plunkett, Day, Altimas Sitting – Wickham, Carrol, Kelly, Anglin, McMahon

In 1923 Loyola won the Junior Football Championship of Canada. It was a great team with **Gerry Altimus**, **Monty** 

Montague, Pedro Suinaga, Paul Noble and Jim Maloney. (Slattery 210)

The game for the Canadian Championship was played at McGill's Molson Stadium on December 8th, 1923, against Toronto Canoe Club. Loyola won 9-2, led by **Pedro Suinaga**, "the Swan", who was dazzling. Apart from his brilliance on the football field, **Pedro Suinaga** was an excellent student at Loyola, Prefect of the Sodality and a member of the Debating Team which won the University Debating Championship of Canada in 1926. (213)



1925 Intermediate Intercollegiate Football Team

Standing, left to right: E. McCaffrey, Manager, P. Noble, F. Manley, G. Mulligan, G. Tynan, F. McNally, H. Dunne, J. Beaubien,
A. Wiggins, G. Pigeon, G. Mill, Dr. Donnelly, Hon. Coach
Kneeling: M. Phelan, E. Anglin, M. Bannon, A. Pickering, G. Altimas, Capt., P. Suinaga, J. Corcoran, M. Chisholm, F. Keyes





1928 Intermediate Eastern Dominion Champions



1933 – 34 High School Intramural Champions – Second High

Back row: L. Carroll, Manager, Shea, Brent, Westover, Ney, P. Shaughnessy, Snell, Ancona, Rev. F. Elliott, S. J., Coach. Front row: Relihan, MacDougall, Callary, Stevens (Capt.), Gray, McGuire. Absent: Asselin, Weiss.

1938 Bantam High School Football Team

Back row: R. Sawyer, Trainer, R. Meagher, P. Lovell, J. O'Neill, E. Clair, E. Sawyer, Mr. J. J. Grimes, S. J., Coach, R. Gomes, J. McDonnell, D. Porteous.

Middle row: J. Callary, G. Gallagher, J. Tous, A. Molina, E. Meagher, W. Asselin, Capt., P. Ready, G. Lambert, J. Humes, L. Laflèche, T. Seasons, Manager.

Front row: F. Porteous, P. de Verteuil, C. Malone, J. Gratton, C. Gareau, V. Chartier, J. Lally, J. Smith, J. O'Connor.



At the Awards Banquet of 1938, **Bill Asselin '40**, thanked his Bantam Football Team for their Loyola Spirit. Several players were awarded prizes for outstanding achievement. **Gus Molina and Bob Gomes** were recognized as highest scorers. **Eddie Meagher** was selected as Best Linesman and **Algie Gratton** won the Alumni Award for most faithful attendance at practice and for general ability.

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# The Principal's Corner DÉJÀ VU

wenty years ago, Gil Drolet, a former Loyola teacher and close friend of Ed Meagher, was given the task of publishing a newsletter for Loyola's Centennial. Gil asked if I would write an article on what it was like growing up as the son of "Mr. Loyola". I can remember writing the article as if it were yesterday, as the timing coincided with my dad's final days in palliative care at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital. I also remember feeling the need, and the urgency, of recording my reflections while my dad was still alive.

The same feeling struck me once again; only this time it was Bob Shaughnessy's publishing deadline that cut into my March break. Just as twenty years ago when my dad's final days in palliative care inspired me to write something that would be fitting for a broad alumni audience, another imminent death has provided me with the subject of this reflection and the motivation to put my thoughts on paper.

During my recent March break, while witnessing a stunning sunset on Siesta Key Beach in Florida, I couldn't help but reflect on a sad email that I had received earlier that day from my mother. She had just returned from a visit to longtime family friend, Jack McMullan, who was in the final days of his life in palliative care. A year ago, I wrote in this same Principal's Corner, how Jack had heroically earned the Loyola student body a half-day holiday with his incredible "bank shot" at the opening ceremony of the 46th "Ed Meagher Sports Tournament". I also wrote in that newsletter about Jack's reputation as one of the best all-around athletes Loyola High School and College had ever produced. I described Jack as simply one of the nicest persons I had ever come to know.

I have known Jack and his family for over forty-five years, from the day in the late 1960s, when the Meagher family first moved into the McMullan neighbourhood in Pointe Claire. It was shortly thereafter that I came to benefit from Jack's exceptional dental skills. On a wintry Sunday afternoon of shinny hockey, while decked out in old goalie equipment (minus a mask!), a puck to my face resulted in a quick phone call to the McMullan residence and a subsequent trip to Jack's dental chair in Westmount.

This was the first of what turned out to be many trips for dental repairs that were the result of the active lifestyle of an adolescent boy in those days.

So, what's my point? How is this relevant material for an alumni newsletter? At first, I really struggled to find meaning and purpose in my need to write about Jack during his final days in palliative care. While it took me a bit of time to figure out why I felt the urge to write about him, what finally came to me was my desire to not have him remembered only as the skilled dentist, star athlete, or even true gentleman that I wrote about a

at all about Loyola or the upcoming "Ed Meagher Sports Tournament", but entirely about Church and attendance at Mass. While I thought I knew a lot about the man with whom I have been acquainted for forty-five years, I didn't know how much Jack McMullan was a person of faith. Not only did Jack attend Mass daily at St. John Fisher, but also on Fridays, when his Church did not have a morning Mass, Jack made his way over to St. Edmund's, in Beaconsfield. It is about this man of faith, no doubt guided and shaped by the Loyola Jesuits during his high school and college days, that I



Jack, with son Jay and daughter Kelly, is pictured above at last year's Ed Meagher Sports Tournament. Jack passed away in March of this year. Loyola salutes a great supporter of the school, a gentleman of note, and a man of true character who was committed to excellence and striving to do what was good and right. God rest!

year ago. Above all else, what I wanted Jack to be remembered for, is something that I learned about him when, this past December, we crossed paths at a funeral at St. John Fisher Church in Pointe Claire.

At most funerals, even Catholic ones, the volume of the congregational responses seems to have become fainter and fainter over the years. However, at this particular funeral, the congregation was loudly responsive and I can remember being particularly impressed by the energetic voice of someone sitting in the pew directly behind me. When, at the "Sign of Peace", I finally turned to greet this person, I felt a sense of joy when I saw that it was Jack.

Following the Mass, when we got a chance to talk, our conversation wasn't

want to offer this brief reflection.

I would like to end with these words from the Jewish physician and medical ethicist, Leon Kass. "When a person is born all rejoice; when he dies all weep. It should not be so; but when a person is born there should be no rejoicing over him, because it is not known where he will stand by reason of his actions, whether righteous or wicked, good or bad. When he dies, however, there is cause for rejoicing if he departs with a good name and leaves the world in peace. That is what Solomon said, 'And the day of death [is better] than the day of one's birth."

Jack McMullan is a good name. Peace be with you, Doc!

Richard Meagher, Principal.

## **Jesuits at Loyola**

Editor's note: One hundred years ago the teaching staff at Loyola High was predominately composed of Jesuit Fathers, with a modicum of lay teachers. Today, the configuration is the exact opposite. In spite of this, Loyola has remained Jesuit and Catholic and still challenges its young men to become intellectually competent, open to growth, religious and committed to doing justice in the service of others. The Ignatian spirit of care and concern for the individual is still prevalent. Although we are still blessed with a few Jesuits, it is easy to lose sight of the many Jesuit Fathers who influenced us over the years. This is the tenth reminiscence of a Jesuit Father. Father Len Altilia had a significant presence at Loyola for thirteen years. The article is written through the eyes of a teacher who taught with him, Bob Shaughnessy '61. If you have "a story to tell" about one of the Jesuits who taught you and/or had an influence on you, please forward it to Bob Shaughnessy at the school. Hopefully Loyola will always have a Jesuit presence in the years to come.

ather Len Altilia, S.J. was at one time or another, Chaplain, teacher and coach (75-80), Principal (80-86) and President (94-96) of Loyola High School. I can speak first hand of these events because I was fortunate enough to be teaching there during his tenure. They were marvelous times. How could anyone not like Len? In many ways he was bigger than life. He had tremendous energy, enthusiasm and vitality - a winning smile and a buoyant personality. There was much that impressed me about the man but what stayed with me and helped me in interacting with my own students, was the great relationship he had with them. When he talked to them, he was genuinely interested in all they were involved with. He was willing to put the time in. We followed his cue.

He coached the soccer team for years, winning a City Championship in the process, but he was a supporter of all the sports teams and all student activities. He attended every student game he could possibly attend. One day in 1985, I was coaching the hockey team with my buddy **George Lackenbauer '62** and we were in the City finals against "hated" LCC. The championship game was to be played in their arena. I mentioned this to Len and true to form, he cancelled the last period of the day and invited the student body to march with him to LCC. Over three hundred students followed the pied piper



Len, The Chaplain.



Len, The Principal.

and surrounded the LCC rink. All you could hear from the dressing room was L-O-Y-O-L-A. I turned to George and said "1-0 for us!". Len was Maroon and White through and through. Better than that, he taught us through his actions, to be student orientated.

There is something to be said about working with a man who is sensitive to the needs of others, one who has a great degree of positivity and is willing to live the motto of service to others. I remember in 1984 when Len went to Nicaragua to work for a number of months to help with reforms in that country's educational system. This surprised nobody as he was always looking to improve the lives of the underprivileged. There are many alumni out there who, when they were students and faced a personal crisis, would turn to Father Len for help and found it. He could laugh with them in the good times but they knew they could count on him to listen and help during the tough times.

Today, he is President of St. Paul's School in Winnipeg, still full of energy and personality and still guiding young men to be better people. Lucky for them!



Come to a Conversation with the Jesuits, Our past with you, Our future with you.

Fr. Peter Bisson, S.J. (Provincial)
Fr. Robert Foliot, S.J. ('62) (Director of Development)
Fr. Michael Murray, S.J. (Rector of LHS)

In gratitude and hope, we cordially invite you to:

The Jesuit Soirée: wine and cheese reception

Tuesday, May 17, 2016 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm The Atrium of Loyola High School

RSVP: Kathy Mullins at mullinsk@loyola.ca by May 11, 2016

McManus, founder and Executive ■ Director of the National Catholic Broadcasting Council, retired on November 30th at the age of 85. The NCBC produces the TV Daily Mass, which is broadcast six days a week across Canada and through YouTube, to the English-speaking world. At the Provincial's Dinner in Toronto last April, the Jesuit Community, in recognition of their service to the Catholic Community, presented Mike and his wife Barbara with the Magis Award. Mike credits his longevity in the workplace to his Apple Smartphone that alerted him each morning as to what day it was!

Garry Fitzpatrick retired in 2008 after twenty-seven years of practicing medicine with the Boston University School of Medicine and from his Boston City Hospital surgical practice. He and his wife Tanya, who had lived in Belmont, Massachusetts for over forty years, moved to Burlington, Vermont this past fall to be equidistant from their two children, living in Montreal and Ottawa, and their other two children living in Portsmouth, NH and Acton, Massachusetts.

Louis Gascon, George Lackenbauer and Pat Dubee '64 realize that times HAVE changed! There was a time when these three fellows would have met at a downtown bar and now they meet at their local gym where it takes all three of them to raise a barbell...and one without weights at that! In an effort to slow the

effects of gravity on their bodies, Pat, Louis and George regularly work out at S.P.O.R.T. Specialists in Dorval. They encourage all their classmates to join them – wouldn't you like to look like this?

Denis Brault retired from the Loyola teaching staff in 2015 but he still gets to visit the hallowed halls every week where he teaches the Latin and Ancient Greek he learned from the Jesuit masters (Fathers Breslin, Cass and Casey). He invites all alumni to renew or try out these courses, which are also offered to the general public, from the rich tradition of Loyola's past.

Paul Owens was awarded the Libby Slater Award for his contribution to pension law and to the pension industry from the International Pension and Employee Benefits Association at its



2015 convention in Brussels, Belgium. In 2012, after an extensive career in pension and investments, he was appointed the Deputy Superintendent of Pensions for the Government of Alberta. He has recently been reappointed Secretary of the Board of Directors for the Edmonton based Foundation of Administrative Justice. Paul is pictured here with fellow 4B classmates, John Kirby, Michael Maguire, Chris Hitschfeld and Peter DeGostonyi, in the mountains of B.C. for a reunion in September of 2015.

Scott Haldane retired at the end of 2015 after a thirty-nine year career with the YMCA, most recently as President and CEO of YMCA Canada. In January, he started a new career as President and CEO of the *Rideau Hall Foundation*, working with His Excellency David Johnston, Governor General of Canada, to build a smart and caring nation. Scott and his wife Linda have moved to the Ottawa area from Toronto.

Don MacDonald is still working in the decimated oil patches of Alberta where he lives on a farm with his wife Heidi and their three youngest children who all play in the Calgary Youth Orchestra and their Church orchestra. He and his son completed the Bowron Lake Canoe Circuit last summer and he hopes to do it again with his twin daughters when they graduate from high school in 2017.

Francis Scarpaleggia was re-elected member of parliament for the West Island Montreal riding of Lac-St-Louis. He was also re-elected Chair of the National Liberal Caucus. He is pictured below. Guess whom he is talking to?



Kevin Quinn lives in Helena, Montana with his wife Candida. He manages a consulting team at Xerox Corporation that works with state Medicaid programs to bring more of the value-purchasing approach to U.S. healthcare. He also works as a paramedic at St. Peter's Hospital on a part-time basis. He remembers Loyola well, The Loyola News and learning to skate in order to avoid jug!

David Little is pictured below along with his eleven-year-old daughter Maddie and ten-year-old son Reagan while attending the *Winter Classic* in Boston on New Year's Day. We're happy to see that he has remained a loyal Canadians' fan even though he now lives closer to Boston!





Matthew Pagano married Stefania Colombo on August 15th, 2015 at St. Joachim Parish, followed by a reception at Chateau Vaudreuil. The ceremony was officiated by Fr. John Sullivan, S.J. who came in from Toronto for the occasion. Many Loyola alumni were among the guests including brothers Michael '07 and Anthony '02, cousins Joseph '09 and Timothy Mancini '12, fellow '05 grads Ted Bertoia, Chris Colozza, Richard Leschiutta and Jason Parravano as well as John Bruzzese '02, Giancarlo Farinacci '00 and Michael Morena '11.

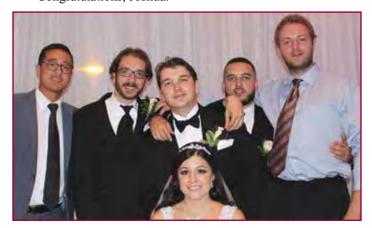


oshua Parr graduated from Loyola High in 1995 with a distinguished list of accomplishments. He then went on to study law at McGill and after a few years of practicing, returned to Loyola High School to start a career in teaching (following in the footsteps of his father, Tony Parr '53). All these years he had this dream of participating on "Jeopardy", the classic game show on NBC where answers are given first, and the contestants supply the questions. Alex Trebek, who began with the program in 1984, is the current host.

The screening process was vigorous, starting with online quizzes, and it took him several tries to get past the first step. He got his shot in January and made his way to Los Angeles for the taping of the show, which aired Monday, Feb. 22. In the end, he lost by just \$1 to a contestant who was already on a three-day winning streak. Joshua quickly gave credit to his parents: "When you have parents who are teachers, then knowledge is something that's valued heavily in your household." It's wonderful to see that his passion for knowledge is something he now passes on to his students, whether in his Math, English or Law classes.

Joshua may be one of the last Canadians to participate on Jeopardy. A Canadian law restricting the use of spam mail is preventing the show's producers from recruiting in Canada. The ever-optimistic Joshua figures it's a technicality that will be soon rectified.

Congratulations, Joshua.



Ben Humphrey married Jessica D'Amico (Sacred Heart '06) on August 22nd, 2015. Celebrating with them from left to right: Owen Paek '07, brother Shayne '03, brother Jared '08 and Stephen Killen '06. Ben and Jess met at a Loyola dance in 2004 and have been together ever since!

David Paterson, pictred below, was recently promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel and appointed as Commanding Officer of 33 Service Battalion, a unit of the Army Reserve with its headquarters in Ottawa and detachments in North Bay and Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.



Faisal Hanafi and his family recently moved to south Florida after seventeen years in Austin, Texas. Faisal has joined *Citrix Systems* as worldwide Vice President of Sales Strategy and Operations. Faisal invites his former classmates, if ever in the Miami/Fort Lauderdale area, to look him up.

David Leduc was named the Executive Director for the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace last summer. David had most recently been the Director of Operations of McGill University's International Community Action Network (ICAN), where he worked to strengthen civil society in marginalized communities, particularly in the Middle East. He had also set up a three-year program with Oxfam-Quebec aimed at building capacity among the most vulnerable people in Lebanon's Palestinian refugee camps. Over the next five years, he will head a team of eighty employees across Canada who will be responsible for implementing a range of international development programs in over thirty countries across Africa, Latin America, Asia and the Middle East, as well as education programs here in Canada.



married James Mallory Aboud October 3rd, 2015, at Palce Volare in Montreal. The night was quite the party but unfortunately no "official" Loyola picture was taken although Loyola was well represented at the wedding. Fellow '03 grads in the picture: groomsmen Nick Mackenzie, Dario Tirabasso, Mike Daller and Robert Hiscock. Others in attendance but not in the picture were fellow classmates Liam Ireland, Kevin Coughlin, Ricardo Santos, Orlando Napolitano, Chris Tan, Philippe Mastrocola and Jason Vannelli '02. John Ruscito '04 and Michael Pristovnik '15.

Michael Frank married his sweetheart Ana Best on February 28th, 2015, received his U.S. Green Card and has moved to the U.S. to be reunited with her where she is working as a statistician at the NIH.

Patrick Ryan is currently attending his first year acting program at Concordia. In the summer of 2015, he was a flight attendant for Air Transat and appeared in the Procolor commercial in the winter of 2015. He is still working retail jobs to fund his life in between acting jobs.

Julien Ponsard-Kurdyla completed his DEC in Social Sciences at Champlain College and is now in the process of getting his Journalism degree at Concordia University.

#### **RIP**

Dr. William Barkas' 67

Mr. Dennis Burns '57 brother of Brendan'70

Father Laurier Harvey, S.J. '42

Mr. Kevin Johnson '62 brother of Brian '65

Mr. John Lafave brother of Bob '57 uncle of Phil '88 and great uncle of Connor '12

Dr. Robert Marchessault '49

Dr. John F. (Jack) McMullan '49
father of Jay '76
stepfather of Steve Drury '73
grandfather of Patrick '03
brother of Emmett '56 and J. Brian '51
uncle of James '79 and Matthew '84
great uncle of Robert '16 and Peter '13
brother-in-law of Bill Wilson '49

Mr. Hugh McQueen father of Peter '80 and Paul '84

Mr. James Mollitt '49

Mr. Victor Mouttet '49

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