



PRESIDENT'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Becoming a Christmas People

Every year, when it comes time to write my Christmas message, I find myself not necessarily in the “Christmas Spirit.” It may be because November is waning and the dark days and nights have taken their toll or it may be because my work and my role brings me face to face with so many of the struggles faced by Loyola family and friends. I cannot help but think that Christmas is where it is on the calendar because it is a time when we really need light to enter into some of the darkness of our lives. That is not to imply that our lives are full of darkness, on the contrary, there is so much light and grace in our lives but, like the dark November days, our trials and difficulties can sometimes make us forget the light, and wonder if it will ever return.

As I sat down to write this message, **Marco Ottoni '87**, a former chair of our Board of Governors, appeared in my office, and we talked about the work that he has been doing to help launch the new St. Raphael's palliative care facility. He told the story of their very first resident and the powerfully inspiring story of a child saying goodbye to her beloved aunt. The story would seem tragic if it were not so full of love, a love that overwhelms the sense of loss and brings hope in its place.



Recently the Loyola community mourned the loss of Teresa Dellar, a member of our Hall of Merit, and an inspiring friend to so many Loyola families. Teresa was a founder of the West Island Palliative Care Residence and a tremendous advocate of the dignity of each person no matter their stage of life. Her life's work was also one of bringing light in what may otherwise be overwhelming darkness.

My son recently started working as a home-care provider. He travels around the city visiting people who are recovering from surgery, dealing with chronic disability or even patients who are palliative. I am so inspired by the work that he does, mostly because I am proud of the man he has become but also because his ability to care for people in those difficult circumstances is, quite frankly, a gift that is beyond me.

These are the Christmas people, those who shine light in the darkness. Pope Francis, in his Apostolic Letter, *Admirabile signum*, writes, “By being born in a manger, God himself launches the only true revolution that can give hope and dignity to the disinherited and the outcast: the revolution of love, the revolution of tenderness.” So as we decorate our homes with light and all the signs of life and joy, may we all be reminded that these are signs of that “revolution of love,” and may we endeavour to become a Christmas people.



Paul Donovan '82, President

CARDINAL MICHAEL CZERNY, S.J. '63

Contributed by Don Ferguson '63, one of six of Cardinal Czerny's classmates who traveled to Rome from October 4-6 to support his friend.

Today was the third of three unforgettable days in a row. Friday, seeing Michael being ordained a bishop, was a powerful and moving experience. The centuries of tradition and the majesty of Catholic ritual were on full display. While Pope Francis's homily was in Italian, the liturgy was in Latin, and how I love the sound of Latin. Two choirs sang beautifully (can there be a better concert hall in Rome than St. Peter's?). Representatives of countless religious orders, innumerable formally dressed Vatican functionaries, and dressed-to-the-nines attendees and diplomats were everywhere you looked. It may sound less than reverent to say so, but the Vatican sure knows how to put on a show.

The two-hour ceremony was no mere spectacle. It mattered to me because at its heart was exposed the humility required to serve as a bishop. When the four men, including Fr. Michael, prostrated themselves on the floor of St. Peter's, I was struck deeply by the realization that becoming a bishop means responsibility and obligation, not just honour, and that you don't become a bishop unless you are deeply committed to the mission of the church, which now more than ever under the leadership of Pope Francis, means caring deeply about the world's most vulnerable people.

And Bishop Michael showed what this meant in the symbols he chose: unlike the other three bishops, both his crozier and the crucifix he will wear around his neck even as a cardinal, are made of wood, not silver.

Saturday was for me the most special of these three days. In the morning, Bishop Michael celebrated his first and only mass as a bishop in the small church of Saint Andrea al' Quirinale. The architect of the church was the sculptor, Gian Lorenzo Bernini, and the church - actually more like a large chapel than a church - is an architectural masterpiece. We were a small congregation of about 40 family, friends and colleagues. The small venue made an intimate contrast to the spectacular setting of the previous day. When the time came, instead of offering us a sermon, Bishop Michael spoke about where he found himself as he contemplated what lay ahead. It was almost a kind of chat, as if a friend about to embark on an interesting adventure had dropped by for coffee. He was at turns serious, funny, humble and



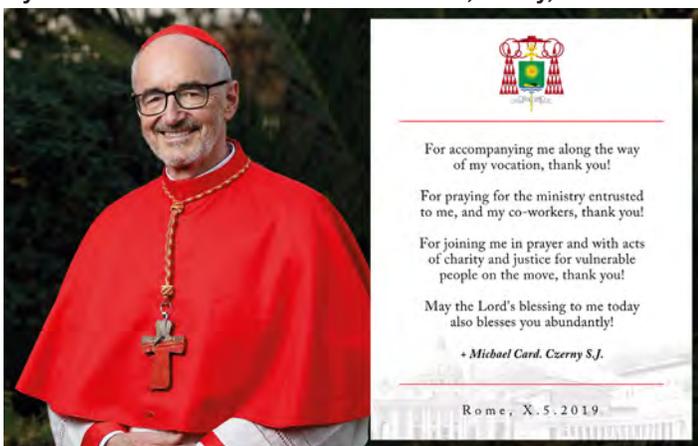
In Rome to be with their classmate were 1963 graduates, Stan Vincelli, Donat Taddeo, Don Ferguson, Cardinal Michael Czerny, S.J., Patrick Martin John Hamblin and Robert Hackett.

vulnerable. And as always, charming. Afterward, it was clear from how we spoke among ourselves about it, that we all appreciated his openness.

On Saturday afternoon, once again at St. Peter's, Bishop Michael joined 12 other bishops in being elevated to the rank of cardinal. Although the event (even more than Friday, this was an "event", with ambassadors and various other non-religious dignitaries swarming through the place) was in a sense the crowning moment - after all, 13 new cardinals were being created - for me it lacked the religious power of Friday and the engagement of Saturday morning. But mercifully, it was much shorter than Friday. How Francis keeps up the pace is inspiring.

Sunday morning began with mass at St. Peter's, concelebrated by Pope Francis with his 13 new cardinals. The Latin liturgy, spoken and sung, was magnificent. And the liturgy featured something very new to me: brief segments in Spanish, Chinese, Arabic and Lithuanian. The Vatican is truly reaching out. Since this was in a sense the opening kickoff to the month-long Synod on the Amazon that begins Monday, Pope Francis's homily was on the subject and he was incredibly enlightened, passionate and focused.

But the highlight of today came after the ceremony at St. Peter's, when once again a small group of 40 or so of us gathered at a small restaurant nearby for lunch with Cardinal Michael. The restaurant, normally closed on Sunday, opened especially for the occasion and it was small enough that the 40 of us filled it to capacity. There were no speeches, formal or otherwise, but the restaurant practically roared with the level of animated conversations. Cardinal Michael table-hopped throughout the three hours that the lunch unfolded, and everyone had a chance to chat with him, none more so than his six classmates from Loyola High School, class of 1963. It was sixty years ago that we first met him, and in a sense it felt that no time had gone by at all. I was personally touched that although we were only six, we were the largest single contingent there, and I know there are others from our graduating year who were unable to attend but who have maintained a connection with Father/Bishop/Cardinal Michael over the decades. It's a tribute to our Loyola education and something to be proud of. And just think of it again - LHS '63 produced a cardinal!



A LOSS TO THE COMMUNITY

Last August, the Loyola community, along with many others, lost a valuable member and friend: Teresa Dellar. She had been surrounded by, and part of, Loyola her whole life, with both her older brothers (Mike '68, Howie '72), her husband Gavin ('82) and both their sons (Jonathan '11, Nicholas '14) attending the school. During the boys' years here, she was on the Mothers' Guild, the Grad Committee, Co-convener of the grad dance and spoke at the school representing the West Island Palliative Care Residence, which she Co-founded and ran. She received many accolades and honours, including the Governor General Meritorious Service Cross and the Queen Elizabeth II medal, but two of her proudest moments were being named as a Great Villamarian and being inducted into the Hall of Merit at Loyola in 2016.



*Gavin Fernandes '82 and Teresa
at the Hall of Merit ceremony in 2016.*

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER



The other day in my Sec. 5 religion class, a student raised his hand with a look of consternation on his face, just as I was going deeper in the explanation of an important concept. The concept was related to the students' understanding of the modern refugee crisis the world is facing, and it related directly to the Preferential Option for the Poor principle of Catholic Social Teaching they were learning about as well. The student had such a concerned look on his face, though, that I had to pause and answer his hand.

"Yes, Ryan?" I asked.

"Sir," he pointed out, "We forgot Daily Inspiration!"

And he was right. Daily Inspiration is the tab on the students' iPad Jesuit Prayer app where we find a scripture reading and the prayer we read together to start each religion class. Reflecting on that moment, and on school life at Loyola these days, I noticed a pattern. Our students are developing their interior spiritual lives while they are also engaging with the broader world beyond Loyola.

Spiritually, the Campus Ministry Alpha program is growing by leaps and bounds. Upwards of 80 students voluntarily attend Alpha discussion and prayer sessions led by Sec. 4 and 5 students each week. They voluntarily offer prayer intentions for loved ones as part of our school-wide morning prayer, too. And they share and receive one

another's personal stories openly and respectfully on Kairos and other retreats over the course of the school year.

At the same time, Loyola students are also learning a great deal about the wider world - both academically and experientially. Through their Contemporary World and religion classes, they confront current issues and explore world religions. In their science and geography classes, they learn how the Earth's systems work together, and how people organize themselves and maintain civilization across its surface. Through the Christian Service Program,

Loyola students "learn by doing" for and with a variety of agencies across Montreal. The Christmas NDG Food Drive is one example. It is also particularly true in Sec. 4, when they participate in Experience Week, aligning in solidarity with agencies serving the greater Montreal community, or with families in Colombia, Belize, or the Dominican Republic.

The list goes on. In so many ways, Loyola students are remaining true to the Jesuit tradition of contemplatives in action. Our students are learning the value both of nourishing the soul by attending to the life of

the spirit inside, and of actively contributing to communities beyond Loyola. In this way, they are preparing to live out a "faith that does justice" for the rest of their lives. With pressure from modern culture to push forward and be productive all the time, a reminder that pausing to reflect and pray sometimes can be just as important.

Thanks, Ryan, for reminding me of this.



REPORT FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

The young men of Loyola continue to benefit from the formation of a solid education thanks to the ongoing annual support of our extended community—alumni, parents, faculty, staff, and friends alike. Every dollar you donate to our Annual Giving Campaign goes directly toward enhancing the experience and education of our current students. When you support our annual campaign, your gift supports every one of our students to become Men for Others.

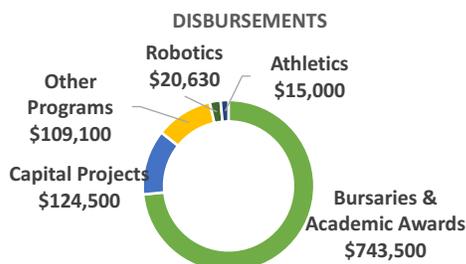
Your generosity provides funds for the school's immediate needs, including:

- tuition assistance - 18% of our students receive need-based financial aid;
- service opportunities and retreats that motivate Loyola students to live as men of compassion, commitment, conscience and competence;
- upkeep of our campus and facilities.

Included below are some financial highlights of the 2018-19 school year. For a more detailed overview of our fundraising results, please consult the 2018-19 Annual Donor Report at www.loyola.ca.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2018-19 FUNDRAISING PROGRAM

Total Donations: \$1,397,600 | Total Disbursements To LHS: \$1,012,730 | Total Assets: \$ 12,432,000



Class	Total Given	% of Class
'69	\$101,600	11%
'00	\$55,498	7%
'61	\$41,362	33%
'76	\$32,860	16%
'65	\$22,567	16%
'75	\$19,076	13%
'63	\$17,830	33%
'84	\$16,370	10%
'59	\$13,130	18%
'71	\$12,946	11%

Your support of the 2019-20 Annual Giving Campaign would be greatly appreciated! To make your donation online, please visit www.loyola.ca and click on *Make a Gift*.

Academic Year	Average School Fees	Average Bursary	Number of Recipients	Total Financial Aid
2014-15	\$8,200	\$5,800	117	\$675,600
2015-16	\$8,300	\$5,800	118	\$679,400
2016-17	\$8,700	\$6,000	121	\$725,700
2017-18	\$8,950	\$5,900	121	\$714,000
2018-19	\$9,500	\$6,000	121	\$722,500
5-YEAR TOTAL:			598	\$3,517,200

THE FOUNDATION'S FALL FUNDRAISERS

Every fall, two major fundraising events bring in just under half of the financial aid awarded for the entire school year - all thanks to the generosity and support of sponsors, donors and event participants. This allows Loyola to continue its proud tradition of never turning away a qualified student because his family cannot afford to pay the full school fees.

The 21st Annual Loyola High School Foundation Golf Tournament was held on Tuesday, September 24th at The Royal Montreal Golf Club. This year, 179 golfers came out to support the event, which netted an incredible \$228,000 for the bursary fund. The 79 corporate sponsors were integral to the tournament's success - the main tournament sponsor being Lengvari Capital (George Lengvari '59 and

Terry Tretiak '89).

The Annual Hockey Raffle is a popular raffle for a chance to win a pair of Montreal Canadiens season tickets in the Reds, all for just \$20 a ticket. This year's lucky winner was alumnus Gary Sheen '78 (Ticket #5745)! The main sales force behind the annual raffle is the student body, with all the proceeds going to support the bursary program. This year the raffle netted approximately \$82,000.

One in six students at Loyola receives financial aid. These two fundraisers help ensure the school's doors are kept open for qualified students who otherwise could not afford the fees. Diversity and accessibility form a key part of Loyola's identity.

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HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION GOLF TOURNAMENT

SEPT. 24
2019



Tournament Sponsor (\$10,000)
(George Lengvari '59 & Terry Tretiak '89)

This year's tournament was a resounding success! Thanks to the participation of over 70 sponsors and 180 golfers, we raised almost \$230,000 (net) in support of the Financial Aid Program. This academic year, 118 students (1 in 6) are receiving almost \$780,000 in tuition-based assistance. Your patronage of our sponsors would be appreciated.

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Kim Cole, Pat Dubee '64, Lee Gregory '02, Brian Marcil, Vince Morena '88,
Sebastian Pitruzzello, Mike Scalzo '97, Mark Anthony Serri '90, Brent Steer '04

Boxing at Loyola: 1940 - 1946

(Third of a three-part series)

Alumnus Ian Thomson '66 presented the Loyola Archives with this wonderful history of the evolution of amateur boxing at Loyola.

Ian's interest in Loyola's boxing history germinated from a family story recounted to him on several occasions throughout his youth. It didn't mean particularly much to him back then, but when he met-up with his cousin Robert after being roughly 60 years apart, there was a moment when they both landed on the same cobweb-wrapped memory. Robert's father (Malcolm) had been an amateur boxer in his youth. With this little tease, Ian set out to document the more factual details of the story.

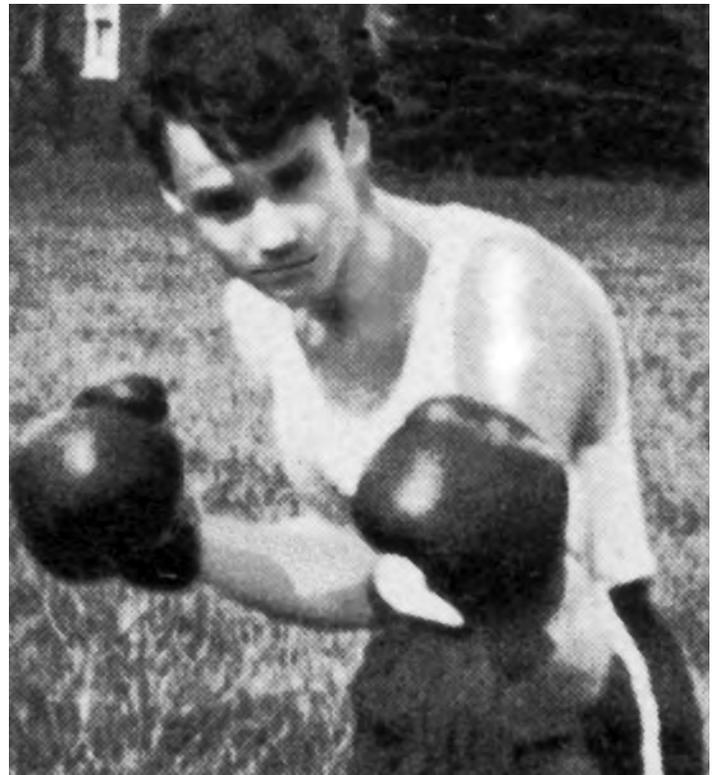
Being the premier amateur event in Quebec, the provincial Golden Gloves championships were again staged at the Forum in May of 1940. The two-night affair brought together survivors of a protracted series of elimination battles in neighborhood fight-clubs across Montreal, as well as in other locales throughout the Province. The inclusion of representatives from Noranda, Timmins, Cornwall, Sherbrooke, Valleyfield, Hull, St. Hyacinthe, Drummondville, Alma, Québec, Rouyn, LaTuque, Buckingham, Trois Rivières and Grand-Mère was illustrative of the growth and breadth in the tourney's reach. It was a popular and ever-growing event with more than eighty entrants and eighteen title-crowns on the line.

Shortly after the Golden Gloves provincial championships, the Loyola “Kid Gloves” was again underway at its campus Stadium. This tournament also continued to gain in popularity with approximately sixty entrants representing both the core group and several additional Catholic high schools. It had now reached some fifteen academies whose students duked it out for aggregate honours in the competition's third year.

This year's tournament was pivotal for Loyola's boxing cohort. Up until this point, only James Ryan had won a title in the 155-pound class, back at the event's inauguration in 1938. However, we now witness the tide finally showing signs of reversal: Red Seasons won the 130-pound class; T. Connors the 150-pound class; and the twins, Paul and Malcolm Thompson, the 100- and 105-pound classes respectively. Even though Loyola's boxers would again miss out on winning the aggregate trophy, things were becoming more competitive and brighter for the annual host's own boxing program and its talent contribution to the event.

The 1941 Loyola “Kid Gloves” boxing program enjoyed cards featuring: Kevin Kierans defending his heavyweight belt by winning several bouts through decisions; Paul Thompson retaining his flyweight title through decision; and Malcolm Thompson also repeating on his junior flyweight honours by scoring a knockout. According to the high school's 1941 yearbook, eleven Loyola pugilists of some fifty total entrants were crowned champions, five of which retained their previous year's laurels. Unlike prior seasons, neither *The Gazette*, *Daily Star*, nor the school's yearbook mentions an aggregate team cup winner. Perhaps this was simply an oversight by reporters, or a wish expressed by a modest host.

By 1942 the sports pages of the Montreal daily newspapers invariably carried stories about American athletes being drafted to serve their country. In the U.S., and by extension Canada given many major and semi-pro sport leagues' cross-border linkages, the ethics and morality of even staging events was the subject of growing consternation arising from significantly differing views. In terms of amateur boxing in Montreal, the open nature of the YMHA's “City & District” Golden Gloves tournament was suspended for a number of years, with the tourney having



**Paul Thompson, Loyola High School 1941,
Kid Gloves City Champion**

resorted back to its roots of an intramural format for Y members only.

The Loyola “Kid Gloves” tourney was now in its fifth year and Loyola High School won all but two of the seventeen bouts. However, the configuration of participating English Catholic high schools appears to have changed substantially, indeed some might argue it had broken down completely.

At its height in 1940, there were some fifteen schools reported as taking part in the Loyola contest. Now, this level of cross-city participation had become an anaemic and hollow shadow of its former self. The card included only two other academic institutions, St. Dominic's and St. Willibrord's, along with newly added participants explicitly from the Griffintown Boys' Club. It is suspected that this shrinking talent pool unfortunately led to 1942 being the last year that the tournament would be staged for at least the duration of the war.

Loyola pugilists dominated and marked a second straight year in a row they won on aggregate, although there appears to have no longer been explicit recognition of this accomplishment by means of awarding an aggregate school winner's cup. This



**Malcolm Thompson, Loyola High School 1941,
Kid Gloves City Champion**

presentation had ceased to be documented over the past two years. However, the published results were once again making the school affinity clear with respect to the participating fighters.

Even though the Loyola Kid Gloves venue had come to a grinding halt, in 1943 boxing was still alive on campus and Babe McLeod, their very successful and inspiring Coach, and an able pro-fighter in his own right, remained committed to supporting the program.

The Loyola "Kid Gloves" tourney was re-introduced in early May of 1945, following its two-year absence from the Montreal amateur boxing scene. The revival appears to have been a success given that the finals comprised eleven bouts held before an audience of 600 fans. As had become the norm prior to the tournament's two-year interruption, Loyola boxers won six of the eleven weight-class bouts, with Gault Institute coming in second with three victories. All-in-all, an apparently healthy resurrection of the event from its ashes. But could it be sustained given the up-and-down history of the boxing program on campus?

This year had the Loyola News reporting that the "Kid Gloves" would be held in the Stadium on May 24-25, 1946. However, the article goes on to suggest that recruitment from other schools was seriously wanting, and even at Loyola "the tempo in boxing has slowed considerably from that shown for the Golden Gloves events." However, there is little evidence to show that this scheduled tournament was ever held.

The Coaches

One could argue that little might have been accomplished without the important supporting, encouraging, and organizational role played by the majority of the coaches involved. It was primarily their efforts and commitment that sought to provide an important physical outlet and support the building of a greater sense of accomplishment and self-esteem for so many young hopefuls. Loyola High School had its own celebrated boxing coaches: Thomas Leo Murtagh and Harold "Babe" McLeod.

A veteran of WWI, Sergeant-Major Murtagh was Assistant Physical Instructor in 1921. His efforts allowed an interest and practice of pugilism to grow across the student body, and he used

the Cadet Corps, as well as the Canadian Officers' Training Corps (COTC) programs as supportive bases for this activity. Murtagh left Loyola around 1937, on the inaugural eve of what would become Loyola's successful "Kid Gloves" tourney, which made its debut in May 1938. It is easy to imagine how pleased the Major must have been to see that happen, and would have been justifiably proud of his lengthy and preeminent role keeping the sport alive on campus for so many years.

In 1940 Harold "Babe" McLeod was seen as "raising boxing to a higher level" on the Loyola campus. At this point in his career, he remained engaged as a professional fighter. Under Babe's tutelage, Loyola would move quickly to register a marked improvement in the 1940 event, and won the following two "Kid Gloves" tourneys on aggregate scores (1941-42). He clearly inspired his young combatants to accomplish great things, but with the last of the tournaments being held in 1942, his *raison d'être* with respect to the Loyola boxing program seemed to dissipate.

Concluding Observations

Amateur and pro boxing were popular forms of sports entertainment in Montreal, for both fans and participants. The creation and staging of the Loyola "Kid Gloves" event proved to be the little gem in Montreal's youthful amateur boxing scene. It seems to have been a respected tournament and drew well as one of a number of key events on the busy spring-season boxing calendar. It was an important annual event that rounded-out a dynamic interscholastic sports scene in Montreal during that era.

Ian Thomson '66



**Harold "Babe" McLeod,
Boxing Coach**

Ian Thomson graduated from Loyola High School in 1966, and from the College [BCom. Hon. Economics] in 1970. He pursued post-graduate studies at Queen's University (Economics) and earned an MA [Economics] from Simon Fraser University (1972).

He joined the federal Public Service with Fisheries and Oceans Canada in 1973, where he held a variety of positions over his ten-year stint. In 1982, Ian joined Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada. Later, he held various international trade policy and market development positions, most notably with respect to Canada's agriculture, food and beverage trade with the U.S. and EU. After 36 years of a career focussed on improving the economic wellbeing of Canada's fisheries, agriculture and food sectors, he retired from the Public Service in 2009.

Ian and his wife Elisabeth have two daughters. They are also blessed with five grandchildren.



REUNION WEEKEND-OCTOBER 11-13, 2019

The LHSAA hosted the 23rd Annual Beer, Oyster and Smoked Meat Evening on Friday, Oct.11. Reunion years were encouraged to attend an evening full of laughter, great story-telling and camaraderie. Many gathered to reflect on memories of their youth and to revel in the successes of their former classmates. Several also made plans to gather as a group during the weekend. Hockey games, outings in the city, dinners with spouses and lots of laughter were on the agenda all weekend. It is not just the special reunion years that define the evening, Alumni from the 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s and from the 2000s, were plentiful. Well over 600 former “Loyola Boys” were present to enjoy a pint with a few of their buddies and former teachers.

Once again the LHSAA was fortunate to have so many alumni donate gifts and prizes that were used in the live and silent auctions. The evening is the main fundraiser for the

Association and all monies raised from the event go towards endowing bursaries and helping out with charitable events.

A special thanks to Copper Branch, owner **Phil Forlini '89** and, “Caffe Tubino”, owners **Adamo Coletti '06** and **Riccardo Bozzo '06**, who once again served espresso with donations going towards the Bursary Fund.

The evening could not take place if not for the efforts of numerous individuals on the Alumni Board, coordinated by President **Elias Scarvelis '84** and supported by Alumni Assistant, Bessie Michael.

The opportunity to renew friendships, enjoy a feeling of community and to celebrate the amazing connection with so many great guys is something to cherish.....

'Till next year!!



50 years, The class of 1969 together again in the Casey Lounge.



The Class of 1989.



The Class of 2004.



The Class of 1974.



The Class of 1999.



A large group from the class of 1984 with a special invited guest Mr. John Javornik.



The Class of 2009.



The Class of 1979.



*A little less hair and a little more weight,
25 years later, the Class of 1994.*



*The young lads,
the Class of 2014.*

GEORGE BRANCATO-REMEMBERED

submitted by Rick Jones '65 and Ben Fagan '65

Fifty-five years ago the Loyola Warriors Senior football team had a memorable season. Recollections of the season were recently rekindled with the sad passing of George Brancato who had a brief tenure at Loyola. Brancato had an impressive playing career with the NFL and CFL, winning the 1960 Grey Cup as a player with Ottawa. He retired as a player in 1962 and two years later he was teaching and coaching at Loyola High School.

George was at the helm of Loyola's undefeated 1964-65 football team along with Coaches Jim Pearson and Brian Hayes. We were blessed as high school players to have had a coach of his calibre who later became the 1976 Grey Cup winning coach and GM of the Ottawa Rough Riders.

The 1964-65 team went 6-0 in the regular season and then went on to win the senior championship with wins over L.C.C. and St. Pius. What is remarkable about the '64-'65 team is that it scored a cumulative 218-27 points using an unconventional offence and defence.

Much of the success of the team can be attributed to Coach Brancato's football knowledge. With his broad experience, he decided to install a single wing offence, a formation not seen since the '30s. The format confused the opposition as they could not determine who would be carrying the ball. On defence, Brancato installed a 4-4 with linebackers lined up directly behind linemen.

In his book on Loyola, Jim Pearson writes: "George possessed a touch of genius. A 19-0 semi-final win over our rival LCC put Loyola in the championship final against the winner of the other division, Saint Pius versus Lachine, to be decided the next day at Westhill. That game was held on a rainy afternoon. Armed with rain parkas, the three coaches headed to Westhill to watch the competition. Four plays later while his assistants are

taking notes feverishly George said, "we'll kill them; let's go for a beer". Protests from his assistants were dismissed summarily. He didn't again mention the game still in progress that afternoon. The next day we found out that Pius had won. Rain continued to fall before the final and that meant chalk talks. George walked to the board at the front of the classroom about to write when he stopped and asked which team had won "the white or the purple"? When told, he filled both boards with Pius plays complete with the numbers of the players Loyola would have to key on. Pius never had a chance.

The Warriors scored early and went on to win 37 to 0. The game ball, donated to the Loyola archives, still rests in the display case in the front lobby of the high school."

In 2005, Coaches Brancato, Pearson and Hayes attended the 40th reunion of the '64-'65 team. Brancato refereed the old-timers game and quickly criticized Darche and Fagan for still being too slow!

Most players remember that Brancato was always low-key, cerebral with a dry sense of humour. Most of all he was about the game, whether at a professional or high-school level. He had an impact on the players, many of whom became coaches themselves and tried to emulate him.

John Kubacki wrote in to say, "In 1964-65 there was this exuberance of being on a team that meshed and functioned well, had success, and, not surprisingly, won. Seeing many teams since then, mostly through the eyes of a parent, I realize how rare, and even priceless, that experience is. Memories and feelings that last a lifetime. Few experience it. And it is thanks to George Brancato, Brian Hayes and Jim Pearson that we were fortunate enough to have it that year."

Fifty five years later Brancato and the team's legend lives on.



THE 2019 FALL SPORTS WRAP UP!

The fall season is finally over and what a great season it was! Culminating in an epic cadet football snowbowl and a 3-2 overtime Juvenile soccer win. We saw our volleyball program return to dominance with all 3 teams winning a GMAA title! The bantam D1 soccer team and golf team repeat as GMAA champions and a championship for our midget cross country team. We had over 300 students

participating on 15 extracurricular teams! Congratulations to all the athletes and a special thank you to the coaches for their time and dedication. The winter season is now underway, with 283 students competing on seven hockey teams, six basketball teams, wrestling, swimming and badminton. Another 50 students are involved in the intramural hockey league.



Opening kickoff at Loyola for the Cadet football championship game.

VOLLEYBALL

Bantam "GMAA Champions"

Season record: 9-0-3,
Final: 2-1 vs WIC

Midget "GMAA Champions"

Season record: 9-0-3
Semi-final: 2-0 vs LMAC
Final: 2-1 vs RWA

Juvenile "GMAA Champions"

Season record: 10-0-2
Final: 2-1 vs LMAC
Semi final: Loyola 0 RWA 2

SOCCER

Bantam Div. 1 "GMAA Champions"

Season record: 5-1

Semi-final: 4-1 vs LJA
Final: 0-2 vs VMC

Bantam Div. 2

Season record: 2-3-3

Midget Div. 1

Season record: 1-5

Midget Div. 2

Season record: 1-5

Juvenile "GMAA Champions"

Season record: 4-0-2
Semi-final: 3-2 vs JbRHS
Final: 3(OT)-2 vs LSA

FOOTBALL

Cadet "RSEQ DIV. 3 Champions"

Season record: 5-0-1
Quarter-final: 48-20 vs Dorval Jean XXIII
Semi-final: 27-20 Overtime vs Selwyn House
Final: 15-0 vs Cite-des-Jeunes

Juvenile

Season record: 6-2
Final: 11-21 vs Dalbe Viau

GOLF "GMAA Champions"

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING -

Midget "GMAA Champions"

Fall Sports Wrap-Up



The cadet football team, coached by Ryan Hurst, Chris Hein '98 and Randy Burns '86, capped off an undefeated season with a 15-0 victory over Cité-des-Jeunes in the championship game.



Juvenile soccer, coached by Vince Fulvio and Matthew Racanelli '16, captured the GMAA championship.



The Bantam soccer team coached by Marc de Verteuil and George Pantazopoulos '08, won the GMAA championship on penalty shots.



Bantam volleyball GMAA champions, coached by Kevin Thiruchelvam and Derek Herbert '12.



Midget volleyball GMAA champions, coached by Daniel Quinn and Evan Arzenshek '14.



The Pee Wee Football team in action vs. Selwyn House.



Cross Country Running GMAA Champions.

MASS AT ST. JOSEPH'S ORATORY

On Tuesday, September 10, the entire school traveled to St. Joseph's Oratory for a special Mass celebrated by Archbishop Christian Lépine. This school-wide Mass was a first for us and an incredible opportunity to gather as a community to mark the beginning of the new school year. Loyola was joined by Sacred Heart School, Marie Clarac and Augustin Roscelli.

The chosen theme for the day was "Called by Name/ Interpeler par ton nom", as the Gospel spoke of Jesus' calling the disciples one by one. As Archbishop Lépine explained, "No matter how young or old we are, we are all called to be His disciples."



Once again the Halloween spirit was alive and well at Loyola.



Loyola students show off their Blues Brothers talent, along with teachers Franco Proeitti '95 and Matt O'Neil '07. Talent Night helped raise \$1800 towards the Bursary fund.



In November, Loyola's Robotics team hosted the Beta Bots Competition.



Loyola staff and students enjoy lunchtime Bingo in the Atrium.



Facial hair was everywhere during the annual Movember campaign which helped raise \$2970.



Loyola's artists enjoy the Bob Ross (you know him from PBS) Art competition in the Atrium.

NEWS OF INTEREST - WINTER 2019

'47 Gerry (Sam) McGee recently moved into his 90th year, as he celebrated his 89th on October 14. By his efforts to be “a man for others”, Gerry has survived 40 years of bipolar disorder, and received awards for mental health service and the Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Medal for service to peers, community and country through his engineering work.



'57 Garry Fitzpatrick feels fortunate to have discovered Green Valley, Arizona where he and wife, Tanya, “hide out” in the South West Desert from January to April each year. They accept visiting easterners on occasion - Tucson, Arizona has lots of offer.

'62 Timothy Landry is recovering from quintuple bypass surgery and prostate cancer. According to Tim, “I weigh about what I did when I was in high school lol”. Tim, may you have a speedy recovery.



'63 Norman Beaufile is into his 11th year of retirement (Bank of Montreal) and savouring every minute of it. His passions include reading, photography (including Photoshopping 1000s of heirloom family pictures) and managing financial portfolios. They spend the winter months down south and take 1 or 2 cruises per year visiting other parts of the world. Norman notes that when wearing various forms of Loyola garb (e.g. cap, jacket or pullover) in places as diverse as Russia, Italy and even Asia, he has been approached by people with the same question..”which Loyola did you attend?”. It always makes him so proud to be part of this marvelous “family”.

'65 Brian Pigeon is retired and living in Smith Falls, Ontario and is a life member of the Chartered Professional Accountants of Ontario.

'66 Mike Robertson , as prolific as ever, has written his eleventh book, an account of his sixty years playing recreational baseball. His book is entitled, “Innings”.

'67 Jack Petrilli has been happily retired with his wife, Pam, for the last 7 years. He spends 4 months of the winter in Ft. Myers, Florida, where he is very active in tennis leagues and cycles 15 miles a day when not playing tennis. Jack has also been busy writing a novel, “Nefarious a Time Travel Novel”, which was published in January 2019.

'75 Paul Drolet is the proud father of Claire Gullander-Drolet, grand-daughter to **A.G. (Gil) Drolet ('48)** on the occasion of



Spring '19 Commencement at Brown University in Providence, RI, where she received her Ph.D. in English Literature. (According to Paul, “The literary gene has obviously leap-frogged a generation”!). Claire will be a Visiting Professor at Clark University in Worcester, MA in the Fall.

'73 John Lee and his wife, Susan, visited **John McManus '74** and his wife, Jean, in Lisbon, Portugal in September. They spent several days in Lisbon and in the Algarve renewing an old friendship that began before Loyola when they were both four years of age. It was a wonderful week!

'77 Norm Emblem , a Commercial Litigator at Dentons Canada LLP in Unionville, Ontario, was recently speaking at the annual Alternative Dispute Resolution Institute of Canada conference in Victoria, B.C. While in town, Norm met up with fellow alum **Chris Marilley '81** , Director of Sales V2V Vacations, who now lives in Victoria.



'02 **Padraic Scanlan** has accepted an Assistant Professorship at the University of Toronto, cross-appointed to the Centre for Diaspora & Transnational Studies and is a Research Associate at the Center for History and Economics at Harvard University and the University of Cambridge. Both he and Catherine, Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Law, are now at the U of T and fully enjoying Rafe who is now 2 1/2 years old.

'03 **Kamil Thompson-Hutchinson** married Marisa Homer (Villa Maria '00) on Saturday, August 31st at the Montreal Science Center, surrounded by their family, friends and alumni of both Loyola and Villa Maria. Kamil's groomsmen were **Jordan Ciampini '03, Jon Geller '03** and **Robert Verelli '01**. In attendance that evening were (from left to right) – **Robert Verelli '01, Lucas Ciampini '08, Christopher Al Turk '03, Justin Ciampini '01, Sudeep Mathew '94, Jordan Ciampini '03, Peter Raimondo '03, Marco Cavalluzzi '03, Angelis Sarbanis '03, Ravi Mehta '03, Patrick Mullins '03, Mike Apa '03, Jon Geller '03** and missing from the photo are **Matthew Barazin '03** and **Mike Griffin '03**. In January of 2020, Marisa and Kamil will be relocating to Ottawa to settle down and start a family.



'16 **Dante Rienzo** and **Marshall Mather '17** recently met on the field as Concordia took on McGill on October 26th.



'04 **Timothy Schiavi '04** married Christina Pantuso on August 31, 2019 in Montreal. Pictured are his groomsmen, including, **Keif Orsini '04, Matthew Chausse '04, Greg DiLella '04** and **James Lavinskas '04**.



The 2019 Canadian University Men's Rugby Championship

was held at the Concordia Stadium at the end of November. Of the 8 teams participating, Loyola was represented on 5 of the teams. Pictured here (left to right) are: **Alessandro Aquino Sirois '17, Connor Butler '14, Thomas Di Fiore '15**, former staff member and current head rugby coach at Concordia, **Craig Beemer, William Matthews '17** and **Robert Gagnon-Da Rocha '15**.

(Not present: **Andreas Dionisopoulos '15**)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

JANUARY

50th Ed Meagher Sports Tournament

January 20-25, 2020-Special Opening ceremonies on Friday, January 24 at 12:00 at the Ed Meagher Arena.

MARCH

Old Warriors Alumni Basketball & Hockey Tournament

(Open to ALL alumni - 18+ yrs)

March 20 & 21 2020

MAY

Business Luncheon

May 20, 2020, 11:45am-2:00pm

St. James Club-Guest Speaker-Carlos Leitao, former Finance Minister, Liberal party

Toronto Reunion*

JUNE

Ottawa Reunion *

Halifax Reunion*

* Dates and location to be announced

RIP FALL 2019

William McQuillan, Brother of Terence '66

Paul Grecco '69, Brother of Thomas '67 and James '71

Dr. Vince Pateras '49

Edna Higgins , Mother of James '72

and Mother-in-law of Lawrence O'Connor '72

Joyce Van Haeften (Deeks), Mother of Nicholas '77

John Field '69

Gregory Cullen '64, Brother of James '62,

uncle of Jonathan '94

Gary Gagnon '51

Shirley Gallimore, Mother of Michael '73 and Nicholas '75

O'Neil Clement '50

Yolande Walsh, Mother of John '77

Dr. George Mallouh, Father of David '83

Kevin R. Larkin '54, Brother of Peter '57

Helmut Bitto '64

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE HALL OF MERIT

The Loyola High School Hall of Merit

The purpose of the Loyola Hall of Merit, which was created in 1984, is to honour outstanding Loyola High School graduates and associates who contribute significantly to society in the spirit of "service for others." The Loyola Hall of Merit offers current and future Loyola students examples of 'men and women for others'. Whether nominees have received public exposure for their contributions or have done so more quietly, but no less effectively, the overriding criterion for selection is remarkable and outstanding service for others.

Call for Nominations

The Hall of Merit Committee invites nominations and respectfully requests that each nomination include a letter of support. Due to the large number of submissions that we receive, we generally look for a minimum of 3 letters of support for each nominee.

The next induction ceremony will take place on **May 15, 2020**.

The deadline for submitting nominations is **February 1, 2020**.

For more complete information on how to submit a nomination, please visit the homepage of the Loyola website at www.loyola.ca and click on the article "Call for Nominations for the Hall of Merit".



The logo features a circular portrait of Ed Meagher at the top, with the text "ED MEAGHER" on the left and "SPORTS TOURNAMENT" on the right. In the center are large, stylized numbers "50" with a sunburst effect behind them. Below the numbers is a red banner with the word "LOYOLA" in white, and "1971 - 2020" written below the banner. The background of the logo is a faded image of a hockey rink with players on the ice.

This coming January the Loyola community will be celebrating the **50th anniversary** of the Loyola-Ed Meagher Winter Sports Tournament. When the inaugural tournament of four Juvenile hockey teams was reduced to only three teams during a massive snowstorm in 1971, those in attendance that year could never have imagined that the tournament would still be going strong some fifty years later!

A special Opening Ceremony will take place at noon on Friday, **January 24th** where we will pay tribute to past Honorary Chairpersons, Ed Meagher Scholarship winners and members of the '96 Juvenile Hockey Warriors.

The tournament runs from **January 20th - 25th** and a complete schedule of games for hockey, basketball and wrestling will be posted in January on the Loyola web site.

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The banner features a background image of a Loyola building with trees in the foreground. The text is centered over the image.

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