

HAPPENINGS IN THE HIVE

Simonds High Alumni Newsletter November 2018



COUNTDOWN TO CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EXPO



Saturday November 3rd, 2018 10am-2pm

Simonds High School Cafeteria 1490 Hickey Rd, Saint John East

60 Vendors on site

Free admission

Countdown to Christimas Shopping Expo

On Saturday November 3, 2018, the Simonds High Alumni will host our 4th annual Countdown to Christmas Shopping Expo from 10 AM - 2 PM in the school cafeteria. About 60 vendors will be present showcasing quite a variety of beautiful handcrafted merchandise; there will also be a few home business reps present. If shoppers or vendors become hungry, they will be able to grab a snack or lunch at the Cheese Curds food truck which will be on site offering various kinds of poutine, hamburgers, hot dogs and different side dishes. In addition, the In Pursuit clothing van will be on site. This sale is the primary fundraising venture for the Simonds alumni; funds from it are used to support student scholarships, contributions to the student breakfast program and other initiatives we undertake for the school and alumni. We invite you to mark your calendars and come out to get a start on your Christmas shopping. Hope to see you there.

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WHAT'S GOING ON?

There is always something happening in the hive. We never seem to give ourselves enough credit, and with that in mind, this section of our newsletter will highlight those people who make Simonds better!

Simonds High School

Home of the Seabees

Simonds Memorial Grove

In the Simonds High School Memorial Grove, donated trees are planted in memory of a student, teacher, group, friend or family member or to celebrate a certain grad class. Our Memorial Grove has been growing; it is located outside the gym and continuing down the school driveway by the playing field. Alumni have donated the Princeton Golden Yellow maple trees. In June 2018, five new trees were added to the grove. Pictures of a couple of the donors were shown in our June issue. Two more are shown here. Chris Bartlett, who assisted in planting the trees in June, is standing beside the tree his Class of 1977 donated in memory of those who have passed. The local dragon boat group, Breasts Ahoy, graciously donated a tree celebrating life; some of their members are shown beside it. In fact, as October is Breast Cancer Awareness month, their tree was decorated with pink ribbons for this month! Many members have connections with East Saint John and Simonds High School.

As the grove matures, it is hoped to add some benches between the trees. Gold is one of our school colours; these beautiful golden trees glisten when the sun shines upon them. They can be seen not only from Hickey Road, but also from Loch Lomond Road. The trees have certainly enhanced the school grounds! We invite individual alumni or classes who are planning future reunions to consider placing a memorial tree in the grove. What a beautiful way in which to remember a classmate/friend/family member! To commemorate each tree, a plaque with name plates honors those remembered. In addition, a picture and short bio will be placed in our Wall of Remembrance along with the plague. The display case for this remembrance is in the lobby across from the school theatre and on the way to the gymnasium. The current approximate cost of a tree is \$180. Thank you to all who donated trees in memory of friends and family. Please message Judy Chapman (judychapman44@gmail.com) or any member of the SHS Alumni Committee (on page 1) if you would like to make a donation and be a part of this worthwhile initiative to give back to your school.

Old Yearbooks!

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



Chris Bartlett - Class of 1977 tree



Breasts Ahoy Dragon Boat Ladies - Celebrate Life tree

Simonds High Scholarship Fund

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



WHAT'S GOING ON?



Simonds High Breakfast Club

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

Simonds Breakfast Club

The Breakfast Club at Simonds is now in its 3rd year of existence and is continuing to be well-attended. Approximately 45 - 50 students arrive at the breakfast room each day to get some breakfast food. It is supervised by teachers for 30 minutes before school. Much of the format is self-service "grab and go", although there are tables where some students linger a while to chat. Breakfast options vary, but usually toast, bagels, hot and cold cereal, yogurt, cheese, breakfast bars, fruit and healthy muffins are provided.

The school was fortunate again this fall to obtain a grant which will assist with some of the costs. Generous donations of food have been made by the Simonds Retired Teachers' group. In addition, a sincere thank you goes out to "the muffin lady". Ann Sanders, a retired 1975 Simonds grad, has baked and delivered a variety of healthy muffins to the school for the students. A couple of weeks ago, some members of the Simonds alumni and friends cooked a hot breakfast for 75-80 students. This biannual activity is the fourth hot breakfast sponsored by the SHS alumni. The Breakfast Club is certainly a worthwhile endeavor. Students cannot learn if they are hungry. We invite other community and individual partners to join us in our efforts to sustain this necessary program.

Missing Previous Newsletters?

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

website: http://web1.nbed.nb.ca/sit es/district8/schools/sh/Pages/defau lt.aspx. Click on the tab for **Alumni** and enjoy! NOTE: Where possible, several issues have been posted on our Simonds Alumni face book page as well.

School Supplies Drive 2018

In August, Jill (Vincent) Eckstone (1986) active alumni member and department head at Simonds initiated a drive for school supplies for students at Simonds who could not afford them. Initially started as a project with her family, she expanded the call out to all alumni on our face book page. The response was overwhelming! Many people donated supplies; others donated money with which to purchase supplies. Assistance came from our local community and from grads far away. Pictures of the supplies are illustrated. A sincere thank you goes out to everyone who donated. The supplies are in use by students who need them.







WHAT'S GOING ON?

Travel Opportunity:

"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover." - Mark Twain

Judy Chapman is now planning two adult group trips for 2019 and two, for 2020. These tours are with a very reputable world-wide company with offices in Canada. Departure may be from any airport in the world. In June 2019, a tour to the Highlights of England, Scotland & Ireland is planned. Only a couple of places remain for this tour. It will feature visits to London, Edinburgh, Liverpool, Dublin and Limerick. You will get the opportunity to kiss the Blarney Stone, to spend some time in the Cavern Club in Liverpool where the Beatles performed (and to visit the Beatles Museum), to ride the London Eye and see St. George's Chapel at Windsor where Harry and Megan were married plus so much more. In July 2019, a tour is organized to Northern Europe. It will commence in Amsterdam, and continue on to Hamburg, Copenhagen, Stockholm and Bergen (for a Norwegian fjord cruise)! This tour is two-thirds sold out already! In May 2020, there will be a tour to Portugal and Spain; travelers will visit Lisbon, Seville, Madrid and Barcelona. Foodies take note. There is a food and wine tour offered to Northern Italy and the Italian Riviera in September 2020! You will visit Turin, the Italian Riviera, Bologna, Verona and Venice. While there, you will make your own pasta, visit the producers of balsamic vinegar, Parmigiano-Reggiano and Prosecco. You will tour and dine at several vineyards where famous Italian wines are made. You will visit local markets, enjoy the scenery, take in the history and have an amazing time! The full itinerary and pricing for each of these tours may be found at www.grouptoursite.ca/judychapman.

Judy has had lots of travel experience, having planned 17 Simonds student tours to Europe and 5 to New York; she has organized 7 adult tours so far. Judy would like to invite any interested Simonds alumni, their friends and family (you do not have to be a Simonds alumnus) to join the adult travel group. If you are interested any of these travel opportunities, please contact her at judychapman44@gmail.com or 506-847-3241 or on face book for more details.

Retired Simonds Staff Members

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

The group of retired teachers and other staff members from Simonds meet for lunch and socializing on the 2nd Tuesday of each month (throughout the school year) at 12:30 PM. Our lunch date locations vary each month. Be sure to email us and attend a few of our gettogethers. We are still an integral part of the Simonds family and enjoy reminiscing and keeping caught up. This group is still caring and compassionate about Simonds students; monthly, they donate funds to assist with the breakfast program there. They work with the Simonds alumni and the school on this worthwhile initiative. If you are interested in further details, please contact Cathy MacDonald (ceileenm@nb.sympatico.ca). Christmas Luncheon Dec 18 at 12:30 at Riverside.







New Email Address?

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



Simonds High School Football Reunion 2018

According to many alumni, THE best day bar none this summer was on Saturday, July 14, 2018. On that day, there was a reunion of the Simonds football community. It was a glorious day and a HUGE success! Former players came from as far away as Alberta, Florida and Japan. Both touch and tackle games were played on that day. A BBQ was on site as well as a pass punt and kick competition for kids, a bouncy castle and face painting, tables with both football and Simonds alumni swag, etc. The day's activities were followed by a Post Game Party Bash at Amici in Quispamsis.

88 guys donned pads again to play the full tackle game...and they meant business - playing just like they did in their prime. Fans were amazed at the level of contact that existed! A lot of guys traveled a long way to play this game. The Mahoney brothers and Chris Anstey came from out west and Chris Frye came from Florida. Ryan Timms traveled from Japan! Many came out to play one last time!

The games spanned a couple of generations. The teams were the Golden Bears and the Green Bees. Quarterback, Steve Mahoney (1973) played hard for the Golden Bears while John McCluskey (1975) was a full game linebacker for the Green Bees team. These players, and others, stood up well to alumni football players from 2017! There were so many familiar Simonds players - Steve Savoie, Clifton Richards, Mike & Jeff Thomas, John Kane, Phil Reid, Darcy Barker; the list is endless! The tackle game ended in a 0-0 tie - even in overtime!





In the touch game, 30 guys played. The score was a 12-6 win for the Gold team. It was a great game to watch and featured many Seabee greats like linebacker Kevin Clifford and receiver Steve Ryan who caught the Simonds Seabees first ever pass way back in 1972! QB Darren Steeves showed he still has it and was firing bombs all afternoon! In all, 15 sets of players were either father and son or brothers who had the rare opportunity to play together.





The sideline atmosphere was unbelievable! Hundreds of people attended! Former players and spectators could really feel how special it was to be a member of this close football community. Troy Richard was fantastic on the mic. The thrill of the day was the presence of and chance to honour Mike and Judy Upward! This couple dedicated years in the 1980s, 1990s and into the 2000s to making the Simonds football program and community what it is today. They were in the VIP tent at the 50-yerd line and had tons of visitors and well-wishers.





The purpose of the day was to have football players and spectators reconnect and that mission was certainly accomplished! Most of the funds raised were used to cover the expenses of the day. There was also a silent auction of the alumni-signed green and gold helmets. Any additional funds went toward the purchase of new helmets for the current Simonds team. On July 14th, there was a lot of reminiscing and renewing of friendships. Old memories were relived and new ones made. It was a heartwarming day for the Simonds football community, for the Simonds alumni and for East Saint John in general. A sincere thank you goes out to Mike Vincent, Troy Richard and the entire committee who organized this memorable and fun event! Simonds pride is alive and well in its football community!















Remember When...

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





Pictures submitted by Angela Bonnar-Jones Class of 1979

SIMONDS' SWAG!

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



Class of 1988

On July 7th approximately 40 grads from the class of 1988 gathered to celebrate their 30-year reunion. The event was a casual evening at O'Malleys on the city's east side. The Seabee made a guest appearance and agreed to have his photo taken with those attending. It was a great evening of fun and laughter and those who attended look forward to getting together again.







Class of 1978

The class of 1978 held their 40-year reunion on the weekend of July 7 and 8th. On Friday night the graduates celebrated at O'Malley's Irish Pub and on Saturday night, graduates and their guests got together at the Simonds High cafeteria. Thank you to the teachers who joined us on the evening at the school. It was another great reunion!

Pics below...

- 1. Group photo
- 2. Memory table for those no longer here to celebrate
- 3. The class that's great still loves to celebrate together!









SEABEES HOME & AWAY

Seabees Home & Away (or Milestones) is compiled from submissions from our readers who have submitted items by letter, email or phone as well as various public sources. These submissions will always refer to Simonds' alumni; they will generally be about family milestones (births, deaths, new job opportunities, marriages, moves, appointments, accomplishments, etc). We welcome your information for future newsletters. If possible, please try to include your graduation year with your submission.

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

Joe Smith (2009) married Ashley Dobson on July 30, 2018. Joe, a graduate of Process Control at NBCC is an operator at the Irving Oil Refinery. Ashley is an LPN at the Saint John Regional Hospital. They reside in Saint John with their two golden retrievers Charlie and Sadie.

Sarah Parkhill (2002) and husband Jon Polley live in Baxter's Corner, NB with their pup Gracie. Sarah earned her Master's in Counseling Psychology from Yorkville University in 2011 and now works as a Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist at March of Dimes Canada. Jon works at the Red Cross.

Scott McKinnon (2005) and wife Vanessa added another member to their family in June 2018. Lorelai and Felicity have a new brother Lewis. Scott teaches Science at Kennebecasis Valley High School.

Rebecca Benson (2011) married Keith Brideau (2003) on September 15, 2018. They have two children - Aaliyah age 5-1/2 and Anthony age 4-1/2. Becca works at the Loch Lomond Villa and Keith works at Dowd Roofing. They make their home in the Saint John area.

Jamie (Scott) Duplessis (2007) married Dan Duplessis on September 8, 2018. Jamie is a nurse at the Saint John Regional Hospital while Dan is a Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration technologist at controls and equipment. The happy couple live in the Saint John area.

Alyssa (Allie Irwin) Bennett (2005) and husband Michael Bennett (2004) announce the arrival of Bernice Evelyn Bennett, a sister for Brooke age 2. Bernice was born on August 22, 2018. Allie works is an auditor / consultant at the office of the Comptroller for the Province of New Brunswick and Mike is a shaft miner at Oyu Tolgoi and Redpath Mongolia LLC. They reside in Grand Bay, NB.

Donald McLean (2011) has a new position as a Project Analyst for Bell Aliant in Saint John. He previously worked for Wyndham Worldwide.

Erik Bass (2008) and Kelsey Marie Martin (2014) announce the birth of their son Ezra Joseph Bass, born on September 5, 2018. Kelsey is studying at the Majestany Institute and Eric works at American Express Travel.

Amber Farrer (2010) Bregel married Kevin Bregel on September 1, 2018 at the Saint John Marina. Amber works at Bay City Physiotherapy and Kevin works at Trane Canada. The happy couple live in Saint John.

Jessica (MacDonald) Carson (2010) and husband Paul Carson welcomed a baby boy, Byron Andrew Carson on August 2, 2018. They live in Brampton, Ontario where Jessica hope to return to school next fall to study social work and Paul is a Project Manager at Trylon Engineering Company.

Haley Evans (2009) married Joe Brown (20009) on August 10, 2018. Since then, they have moved to California and settled in Marina Del Rey. Haley is Chief of Staff at Civilized in Los Angeles.

Ashley (Lee) Moore (2010) and hubby Wes Moore (20010) are now a family of three with the birth of their daughter Julia Autumn Moore on July 5, 2018. Ashley works at Costco and Wes is a power engineer at Colson Cove for NB Power. The happy family lives in Saint John.

Maria Boyle (2011) graduated with a Doctor of Chiropractic from the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College in Toronto in June 2018. She is practicing in Saint John.

Kathleen (Boyle) Johnstone (2007) married Brendan Johnstone (2005) on July 7, 2018. Kathleen is a teacher at Saint John High School and Brendan works Irving Pulp & Paper. They live in Renforth, NB.

A handsome new son was born to Lauren (Eckstone) Watts (2006) and her husband Greg Watts on July 29, 2018. Connor Gregory Watts will be a great friend to older brother Dean age 1-1/2. Lauren is very busy with her two boys while Greg works at Actemium. They live in the Saint John area.



SEABEES HOME & AWAY

Chris (Frick) Wetmore (2003) and wife Erika welcomed son Mclaren to their family on October 19, 2018. Mclaren (over 10 lbs!), was born at home; he has three older brothers - Bentley, Lincoln and Cooper. Chris works in HR / Payroll at Costco Saint John. In his spare time, Chris is very busy as a DJ; he is the owner / producer / DJ at Alpha One Studios and is in high demand for wedding dances.

Chris is also the host/ producer of the Tech Guru Podcasts - which are very informative!

Laura (Love) Connors (2002) and husband Derrick Connors have a new daughter, Leah Louise Brenda Connors, born on August 28, 2018. Leah is younger sister to brother Jackson, age 3. Dr. Connors is a clinical psychologist with a passion for assisting children, adolescents and young families; Laura's full-time practice is at the IWK Hospital, primarily in outpatient mental health and research. She is also a member of the Wavelength Psychotherapy team in Halifax. Derrick is a teacher in the Halifax area.

A beautiful little girl arrived for Jani (Brown) Ryan (2008) and husband Jamie Ryan. Hattie Mae Ryan made an appearance on Jani's birthday on October 5, 2018. Hattie has an older brother Jack age 2. Jani is a nurse at the Saint John Regional Hospital and Jamie works as an electrician at Gardner Electric. They live in Titusville, NB.

<u>CORRECTION</u> (from June 2018): Luke Parkhill (2008) married Teanna Muir on June 16, 2018. Luke is a Clinical Engineering Technologist at Service New Brunswick and Teanna is a medical assistant and receptionist. They make their home in Sussex, NB.



Maria (Morin) McQuinn (2004) and husband Scott McQuinn are over-the-moon excited about the arrival of their son Samuel James McQuinn born on July 8, 2018. Maria is a nurse at the Saint John Regional Hospital and Scott works at Irving Wallboard. They reside in Saint John.

Josh Forward (2009) and Vanessa Baxter (2010) were married on June 30, 2018. Josh is a teacher at Simonds High School while Vanessa is a nurse at the Saint John Regional Hospital. The happy couple live in East Saint John.

Jillisa (Brown) Millett (2011) married Cody Millett (2011) on August 18, 2018. Heavy rain on their wedding day changed their plans for an outdoor wedding to a unique one under the covered bridge in St. Martins. They have a daughter Quinn age 2. Cody works in engineering, environmental design and consulting. Jillisa is in the Advanced Standing Nursing Program at UNB.

Emily Hamm (2009) Sherwood and her husband Spenser Sherwood are excited about the arrival of their daughter, Nora Alexandra on August 23, 2018. Emily works in Human Resources at Mrs. Dunster's in Sussex while Spenser is a member of the Saint John Fire Department in. They live in Bloomfield, NB.

Jessie (Garnett) Melvin (2009) and husband Ryan Melvin (2004) are thrilled to share the arrival of their daughter Amadea Lynn Melvin, born on July 8, 2018. They live in Bains Corner with their daughter and canine friends MacKenzie and Tanner.

Brad Baxter (2008) and Christine Childs had a lovely wedding in St. Andrews on July 21, 2018. Brad and Christine work for Irving Oil, where Brad is a power engineer and Christine works in the lab. They make their home in Quispamsis, NB.

2019 Upcoming Reunions...

Class of 1969: The Class of 1969 has begun plans for their 50-year reunion and have been busy locating almost everyone in their class of 275 grads. Their reunion will be held on June 22, 2019 from 7PM - 1AM at the Riverside Golf Club in East Riverside. From 9PM onward Hunter Sounds will be supplying the music. For information and to confirm your attendance, please contact Simondsreunion.2019@qmail.com. Details re cost will be available soon.

Class of 1974: The Class of 1974 will celebrate their 45-year reunion in early July 2019 at the Three Mile. They have graciously invited the classes of 1973 and 1975 to join them in these festivities. Stay tuned for further updates.

Class of 1979: A 40-year reunion will be celebrated by the Class of 1979 on June 29, 2019 at 7PM at O'Malley's Irish Pub on Rothesay Avenue. More details will be available soon. For more information, you may also check out their face book page: Simonds High School Class of 1979.

OBITUARIES

Mary (Dupuis) McIntyre (1964) passed away on July 13, 2018 after a short illness. Although her home base was St. Andrews, NB., Mary had a work resume that included a lot of travel experiences worldwide. She loved to play bridge and golf, to travel and to share a glass of wine with friends. Mary is survived by her husband Vaughn, daughter Carrie, son Michael and 3 grandchildren.

Eric Jackson (1966) died on July 17, 2018 at Bobby's Hospice in Saint John. For many years he worked as a pipefitter for the Irving Oil Refinery. Eric was a member of the Rothesay Yacht Club and the Saint John Theatre Company. He is survived by sons Andrew and Cordell, 7 grandchildren, brother Rolf and sister Marion.

John Bielli (1970) passed away in Saint John on September 14, 2018. After attending NBCC, he began his career in 1972 in the stockroom with NB Tel; he retired from there in 2010 as a cable splicer in the Fiber Op program. John was a volunteer for the St. John Ambulance and Quispamsis Ambulance He was a member of the Men of St. Mark's, Quispamsis, and enjoyed his supper club group as well as his breakfasts with former colleagues. He relished being a pitcher and coaching baseball. John was well known for his witty sense of humour. He is survived by his parents, wife Pat (Martin), daughter Carrie, son Jack and one grandson.

Donna (Moffatt) Earle (1971) lost her lengthy struggle with COPD on August 7, 2018 – a couple of weeks short of her 40th wedding anniversary. She is survived by husband Robert (Bobby) Earle, sons Jason and Jonathan, 3 grandchildren, and brothers Jason and Donald.

Patricia (Patsy Mullett) Ellis (1972) died on September 19, 2018 in Saint John. Patsy enjoyed crocheting, playing scat, aggravation and BINGO and watching movies. She will be missed by her husband Richard, son Ritchie, daughter Jodi, 2 grandchildren, sister Sharron and brothers Barry and Walter.

Lauren Atherton (2012) passed away unexpectedly on August 30, 2018 in Saint John. She worked for GDI Cleaners. Lauren enjoyed spending time at the gym and spending time outdoors hiking and snowshoeing. She was a big animal lover. Lauren will be missed by her parents Shelley (Langlais) and Michael Atherton, and siblings Katlyn, Brittany and Luke.



Patrick (Pat) McCarthy (1977) passed away on September 17, 2018. He spent most of his working career as the parts manager at Centennial Motors. Pat enjoyed model cars, NASCAR and camping. He will be missed by his wife Sandra, brothers Ronald, Thomas, Paul and Michael and other extended family members.

Don McGinnis passed away suddenly on August 30, 2018 in Nova Scotia. He was a teacher in the Saint John area where he taught at Simonds for a few years and completed his many years of teaching at Saint John High School, retiring in 2015. Don coached Lancaster basketball and was a huge Blue Jays fan. He is survived by his wife Barbara, sons lan and Craig and brother Richard.

Marion Usher passed away in Fredericton on July 14, 2018. Marion spent most of her career in education at Simonds High School, where she taught French, was a Guidance Counsellor and later, was a Vice Principal. In her retirement, she travelled to many destinations in Europe and Australia and wherever else cruise ships might take her. She enjoyed these life experiences with several longtime friends. Marion was a wonderful teacher and a very kind generous person.

Robert (Rob) MacMurray (1988) lost his courageous battle with cancer in Saint John on August 13, 2018; on that day, he was reunited with his best friend and classmate, John MacMillan, who predeceased him. Rob was a dedicated and beloved teacher, spending most of his career at Island View Elementary School. He enjoyed running, cycling, swimming, playing curling and hockey and especially being a player / manager for Little John's Men's Softball team. Rob was a huge Toronto Maple Leafs fan; he also had a passion for antique cars, camping, concerts and country music. He is survived by his partner Kim Elliott, father Raymond and other extended family and friends.

Joseph (Joe) Marino (1971) passed away on September 19, 2018 in Saint John. He is survived by daughter, Kelly Marino and brother, Robert.



SIMONDS NOW!

(November, 2018

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Simonds TXLENT

Mark your calendars for Nov. 29th! Simonds Got Talent will be held in our theatre at 7pm. Going to be an amazing show. Tickets will be on sale soon! Stay tuned!!

AWESOME job by our Simonds Spirit Committee who passed out 106 Toonies at Tim Hortons. The tags say "Have a coffee on us!" Seabees are amazing!!





The students at Simonds High School will be putting on a community movie night on Wednesday, Nov. 7th at 6pm. They will be playing Beauty and the Beast. Everyone is welcome and it is friendly for all ages!! Hope to see you there!!

We are **SO PROUD** of our Seabees!! A group of wonderful students participated in the Sweet Caroline Run 2018. These students were recognized at the run for being the largest donating group, donating \$1500 to the Sweet Caroline Foundation! Awesome job!!





The Simonds High Alumni is an active group of individuals who have a vested interest in seeing Simonds Pride Continue! Our mission is to maintain a positive relationship with the school we all loved so much. Our endeavors have ranged from a hot breakfast program, to a Memorial Grove for our long lost loved ones, to school beautification, our annual Christmas Sale and Celebration, to so much more. We are constantly looking for ways to bring about a positive, respectful and fulfilling image of Simonds High School simply because we believe in our school.

Our sincere thank you to each and every one of you who continue to show your support, whether by attending our events, offering donations of money and time or even following our adventures on Facebook. For those who have wondered or wanted to become involved, either as an executive member or with one or two of our events, just send us a message. We would love to have you on board. Do you have an idea or suggestion about something we can or should be doing? Let us know. We truly want to hear from you!

High School is one of the best times of our life. It is where we met our life-long friends, celebrated our triumphs and for some met our significant others! All of those memories and more are the reasons why we have such a dedicated group. Stay tuned as we have some fantastic events coming up and we look forward to sharing those experiences with you!

Sincerely,

Jill E. (Vincent) Eckstone (1986)
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