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President's Message



Walking through the doors of Fleming on my first day as President elicited many emotions: familiarity, fond memories and perhaps most importantly, an overwhelming sense of pride. As a proud Fleming graduate, I understand the nostalgia of returning home to our Alma mater.

I am continually impressed by the roles our alumni play in enhancing our communities and our College, and I applaud your tremendous accomplishments. It is your success and achievements as alumni that will inspire and motivate future generations of Fleming College students.

When Fleming students graduate and leave the College, they deepen the social and cultural fabric that makes up our community. There is not a sector in our economy that is untouched by Fleming

and its graduates, from social services to healthcare to skilled trades. Our community connections matter and create positive impacts, and I commend you for your continued commitment and support to the community and to Fleming.

I am excited to meet as many of you as I can and look forward to a continued relationship as we build the best Fleming for generations to come.

Wishing you health and happiness in 2019.

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Maureen Adamson
President

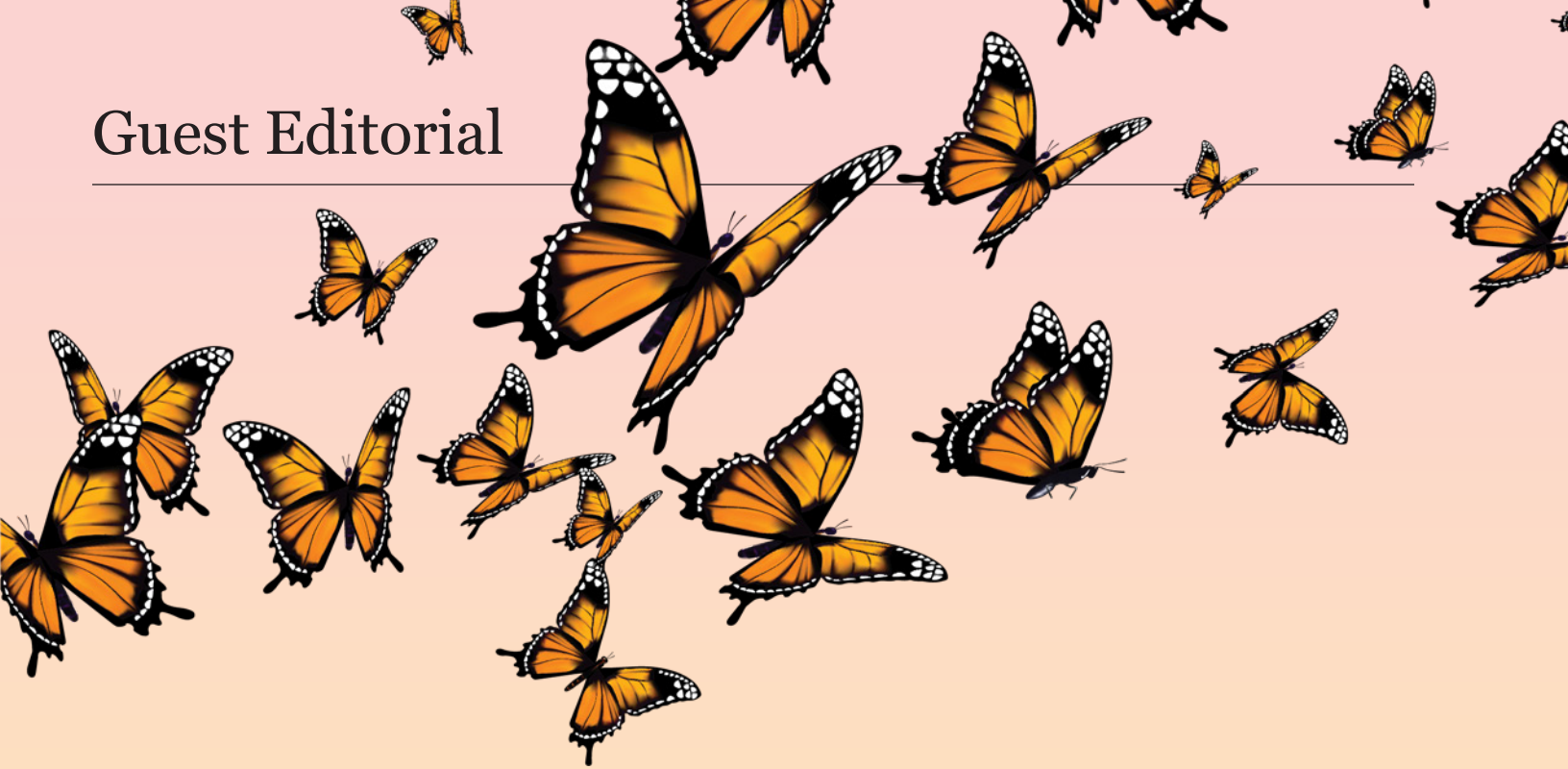
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Alumnus Rodney Fuentes brings long distance runners and monarch butterflies together on an epic 4,200 km journey

Rodney Fuentes is a Business (2008) graduate from Fleming College.

As an independent film-maker, I tell stories. When Carlotta James approached me about creating a documentary about ultra runners and monarch butterflies, I knew this was a story that I wanted to tell. This documentary will tell the adventure of the epic migration of the monarch butterfly as seen through the eyes of ultra-runners. In the fall of 2019, a team of runners will run the same migration distance of the monarch butterfly: a journey of 4,200 km (2,610 miles). This project celebrates two types of superheroes: monarch butterflies and ultra-runners; both cover long distances using their incredible body strength to arrive at a new (unknown) destination.

“The Monarch Ultra” will be the first attempt to run across North America (Canada, United States and Mexico) in order to raise awareness towards monarch butterflies that make this migratory journey every year. This 2-month running adventure, starting in Peterborough, ON, and ending in the

Sierra Madre Mountains in Mexico, will see over 50 ultra-runners who will run a 50 or 100 km leg each. The route will traverse wild and remote landscapes as well populated urban areas while building camaraderie, overcoming adversity, and sharing a singular adventure with monarch butterflies.

This project goes beyond the Herculean efforts of ultra-running. It is a story about our connection to the land, as well as the shared resiliency and strength of the runners and monarchs. This project is creating partnerships across a wide range of groups, including ultra-runners, running groups, conservationists, naturalists, municipalities, and non-profit groups. Most importantly, the Monarch Ultra is an opportunity to connect us as human beings in Canada, USA, and Mexico with common goals of Earth stewardship and biodiversity conservation.

My strong desire to be part of this project comes from my environmental background. Prior to studying Business at Fleming College in 2006/08, I worked and volunteered with bird banding and conservation programs in both North and South America. I understand that

monarch butterfly populations are in steep decline and citizen action is needed not only to increase this threatened species' population but to create and conserve habitats for all living creatures.

Telling this story is of utmost importance, not only to inform people about the delicate state of pollinators and the environment, but also as a call to action to learn ways how we can help save the monarchs. How we engage our communities to do their part to fight climate change and build a better, more sustainable world is integral to survival of the human species.

The Monarch Ultra provides an opportunity for dialogue about pollinators and their significance to biodiversity and food security. Both Carlotta and I want to see the monarch butterfly become a symbol of resiliency, hope, and empowerment that motivates people into conservation actions. We hope that this inspiring project is just the beginning of a bigger movement, to help protect pollinator species worldwide.

Learn more about this project by following us on Facebook: facebook.com/MonarchUltra ■

2018 Premier's Awards

The
Premier's Awards
honour the important
social and economic contribution
that college graduates make to
Ontario and throughout the world.
Presented annually, the Premier's Awards
recognize graduates in the following
seven categories – Apprenticeship, Business,
Community Services, Creative Arts and Design,
Health Sciences, Recent Graduate, and Technology.



Business Category

Tim McClure, Sporting Goods Business, 1986

Tim McClure is a seasoned marketing professional with over 25 years of senior management experience. After a life altering experience with cancer, Tim refocused his energy on the creation of the Great Next Chapter Foundation, an organization committed to offering emotional assistance to people coping with life threatening illnesses.



Creative Arts & Design Category

Bill Deba, Parks and Forest Recreation, 1985

Bill Deba is an entertainer, creator and leader in the international loggersports industry. Owner of The Lumberjacks Company and producer, director and host of the LUMBER-JACKS TV series, Bill is instrumental in using film to highlight the accomplishments of loggersport competitors across North America.



Health Sciences Category

Graham Bashford, Personal Support Worker, 2002

Graham Bashford has been serving seniors in various capacities since 1994. He wanted to make a difference, and in 2012 Graham decided to reinvent home care and began his passionate journey with Castle Keep Retirement. Castle Keep has received various awards including Employer of the Year.



Recent Graduate Category

Dylan Trepanier, Business Administration, 2018

Dylan Trepanier is ambitious and determined to solve the vision-loss crisis occurring in Ontario, and beyond. His business Alexander Optical, uses a business model that could be referred to as "Uber for optometrists" with ready to be serviced clients partnering with expertly trained optometrists.



Community Services Category

Kathi Curtin-Williams, Social Service Worker, 2009

Kathi Curtin-Williams is a social worker and community organizer, specializing in issues of homelessness, poverty and food security in the City of Peterborough. Co-founder of the Peterborough Pet Food Bank, and The Livingroom drop in centre, Kathi is able to bring community partners together to work towards a common goal.



Technology Category

Brian Coones, Electronics Engineering Technologist, 1994

Brian Coones is a successful entrepreneur and technology professional who is the co-founder and Chief Technology Officer of Ikkuma, a wellness platform for companies and workplaces. Ikkuma uses gamification to engage employees and believes that every organization can energize their culture by authentically helping employees get healthier and happier. ■



Brampton Batman part of the Fleming Family

If you've traveled the roads of Brampton, Ontario, you may have spotted a peculiar sight – a fully costumed Batman riding in a replica Batmobile. This past summer, “Brampton Batman” made headlines when a video of an OPP officer pulled over the Batmobile for a selfie. The video went viral on social media channels and had everyone wondering who this Batman really is.

Under the Batman costume is a Fleming College alumni who graduated from the Audio-Video Graphics Communication Technician program in 1997. Stephen Lawrence reflects on his time at Fleming fondly, remembering the life-long friends he made and the skills he acquired that have helped him beyond his career. He has been serving as Ontario's superhero for 28 years, which began shortly after his father passed away, in a story not that unlike that of Bruce Wayne.

As the now iconic Brampton Batman, he travels to various charity events “creating smiles, causing interest, awareness, and distraction, being a good citizen on the side of law that can affect change and deterrence against crime”. He has over 13,000 Facebook followers and close to 5,000 Instagram followers, with his reach stretching far beyond Brampton.

His many followers praise his charity work, his big heart and his efforts to create positive change in the community.

His advice to other Fleming graduates is to go forward with bragging rights – you have qualifications from Fleming that your future and reputation depend on. “Go make an impact on your world and never forget your family at Fleming, because they won't forget about you!”



Fleming Education Takes Alumnus Worldwide

Michael Meade, a Fleming College Nursing graduate from 1992 would never have thought at the time of graduation,

just how far his nursing education would take him. Attending St. Peter's High School in Peterborough, Michael made the decision to attend Fleming College for the Registered Nursing program. At that time, there were 4 other men in the program, making the first few days intimidating for Michael. However, it wasn't long and Michael made fast friends with his classmates and grew to appreciate his teachers.

Shortly after graduation and after working in the Orthopedic Unit at St. Joseph's Hospital, Michael started his own company called CPR for Life. However, after 4 years of successfully operating the company, Michael was itching for a change. He sold the company and after some convincing by his housemates at the time, he decided it was time to travel the world.

In 1997, Michael applied for a job at the Hammersmith Hospital in west London (England) and was the successful applicant. Prior to leaving Canada, Michael had no job description or idea of what unit he was going to, and no idea of where he was living! He had a free plane ticket and a chance to experience the world in a new way. The experience was supposed to be a one year trip to gain a different perspective, but the reality turned into one of the best nursing experiences of Michael's life. He never looked back.

The Hammersmith Hospital employed staff from all over the world; Sweden, Norway, Australia, Ireland, Finland and Canada. Living in on-site accommodations with other staff, Michael was given the perfect opportunity to really experience London. It was also at this time that Michael realized just how worthy his nursing education was. The in-depth lab skills he had learned at Fleming were greatly utilized.

In 1998, Michael decided to pursue further education and completed his degree in Cardiothoracic Surgery at Thames Valley University. This gave him the designation of Specialist Intensive Care nurse and he moved from the

Surgical Unit to the Cardiac Intensive Care Unit. This is where Michael really thrived. He speaks highly of the opportunity saying, “Some of the world’s best surgeons operated on some of the most complicated cardiothoracic patients. New and experimental procedures were tried and tested. I got to see it all.”

It was also here in 1998, where Michael met his now wife, Jannicke. Jannicke was a nurse from Norway who had also moved to London for a year’s reprieve, but like Michael, had ended up staying much longer. In 2000, Michael and Jannicke moved from London to Brighton, England and purchased a flat right next to the beach. According to Michael, “Work and play were never better!” Michael was head-hunted for a nursing job at The Royal Sussex County Hospital, where a brand new, state-of-the-art Cardiac Centre had just opened. The experience was second to none.

However, life soon had other plans for Michael and Jannicke. On Christmas Eve 2001 they were engaged and in the winter of 2002, they moved back to Jannicke’s home country of Norway. Michael spoke no Norwegian, but after a couple of months of language classes, he gained employment at a nursing home as a nightshift nurse. Michael spent many nights playing scrabble in order to learn words and phrases, and slowly his Norwegian improved.

Shortly after moving to Norway, Michael landed the job of a lifetime at the local University Hospital, Haukeland Universitet Sykehus, where his wife also worked. Michael was working in all five intensive care units, working with pediatrics, cardiac, dialysis, burn and facial reconstruction and so much more. The experience was extraordinary.

Finally, Michael moved to his now current job as Intensive Care Nurse at a local hospital in Bergen, Norway. He is the nightshift coordinator and charge nurse and has been in the position since 2007. Michael credits his unique career path to living and working abroad; it was the push he needed to step outside of his

comfort zone and he has looked back at his career and accomplishments knowing that from the hard work and stressful times, would come the rewards. He credits Fleming College for the beginning of memorable experiences in the nursing field and for preparing him for what turned into an enriching and ever-changing career in the healthcare industry.

He and Jannicke have two daughters, Nora and Sofie, who are both in high-school. And, like a true Canadian, Michael is the hockey President at his local club Åsane and was the goalie coach for the Bergen Ice Hockey Club in Norway for many years, remembering his roots despite living across the world.



Seven Years, Two Diplomas and Ten Certificates Later

Kelsey Redman first began at Haliburton School of Art + Design in September 2011, thinking she’d take the Ceramics certificate and start a career in the industry. Little did she know, her next 7 years would be spent in Haliburton, attending Fleming College and completing all 10 certificate programs and two diploma programs!

Kelsey fell in love with the school and was quickly inspired to complete as many programs as she could. In her 7

years at Haliburton, Kelsey completed the Visual and Creative Arts diploma, Fibre Art Certificate, Sculpture Certificate, Ceramics Certificate, Glassblowing Certificate, Artist Blacksmith Certificate, Jewellery Essentials Certificate, Photo Arts Certificate, Digital Image Design Certificate, Moving Image Design Certificate, Drawing and Painting Certificate and the Integrated Design Diploma. The sequence of certificates occurred naturally, as Kelsey began to realize the skills she lacked and how she could acquire them. Kelsey explains this organic process by saying, “I began to realize I had no ability to photograph my own pieces, and no social media presence. So, in my 5th year, I took photo arts and digital image design to learn essential skills for my career such as documenting my work and marketing myself online”.

For Kelsey, Fleming College and the Haliburton Campus became a safe haven and way of life, transforming her life in the 7 years that she was there. Kelsey explains her transformation saying, “The front big red doors say ‘Within these walls, the walls within disappear.’ And it is so true. I came here a scared and angry teenager. I am now leaving ready to roll with my career in the arts in the beautiful Haliburton Highlands.”

Currently, Kelsey is working on designing a residency program for Haliburton School of Art + Design alumni. She will be finishing up shortly and then will be working to integrate herself into the Haliburton art community, where she now has many contacts and networks.

At her final Convocation ceremony in June 2018, Kelsey was honoured with a custom-made hood during the ceremony. The hood was designed and crafted by professor Darlene Bolahood, with assistance from Scott Walling and the Centre for Making. Dean Sandra Dupret presented Kelsey with the hood, saying, “Congratulations Kelsey. We know you are an amazing ambassador for our School and we thank you for choosing us again and again and again and again...” ■

Donor Profiles

A heartfelt thank you to each of our donors, partners, sponsors and volunteers. Because of your generosity, Fleming College students continue to make an incredible impact in our community and beyond.



It has been 30 years since Elizabeth Lopez finished high school, and now she will be returning to complete her second year in the Tourism – Global Travel program here at Fleming College. As a single mother, Elizabeth always dreamed of returning to school one day. Last June her son, Christian, graduated from Fleming's Police Foundations program and will be moving on to Trent University to study Forensic Science. Both Christian and his mother Elizabeth are recipients of student support made possible by donors, just like you.

“In my first year at Fleming, I received a bursary and it really was not something I was expecting, but it helped a lot indeed and meant so much. Since

I do not live close to school, I have to commute every day and have many fees to cover such as textbooks, gas, etc. It [the bursary] really helped, especially when I moved to residence in my second year. It helped pay for rent and food.” – Christian Lopez

Because of donors, like you, who unselfishly give so much to make a difference and enhance the lives of others, students like Christian and Elizabeth are able to achieve their higher education dreams.

“It was definitely the right decision to come back to school after all these years. Not only I am learning, but also, I feel part of a great community here at Fleming College.” - Elizabeth Lopez ■

2018 Alumnus of Distinction Michael VanDerHerberg, Geomatics, 2005

Making a Community out of a City



In the heart of his hometown of Peterborough, Michael unites his community like never before - connecting people, employers, volunteers and sponsors to giving, culture, mentorship and compassion. His impact and success in community services, extending nationally and internationally, is immeasurable.

Michael VanDerHerberg is a compelling advocate for causes in social housing, refugee settlement, and community development, in both his professional and personal endeavors. Michael's work with New Canadian Centre (NCC) began in 2009 and saw a tremendous amount of growth, beginning as an Employment Counsellor, then becoming an Employment

Services Coordinator and later becoming a Refugee Resettlement Coordinator.

Michael has faced the refugee crisis firsthand having spent a week along Syrian and Iraq borders. It was this experience that led to such a strong motivation to take refugee settlement to new and significantly higher levels. Michael has helped more than 125 newcomers find and retain work in Peterborough. Resettlement goals over the past year and a half had set out to help 36 Government Assisted Refugee (GAR) families. Michael surpassed that goal, helping 43 families. Michael shared his Syrian refugee settlement practices and experiences including his visit to Amman, Jordan (borders of Syria, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Israel, Palestine), across the province: CBC Radio, TV, blogs, online and print publications and speaking engagements. His most important advice “keep refugee families together.”

Along with his wife, Andrea, Michael owns and operates Silver Bean Café, a community-style restaurant they established in 2004. It is a popular community hub of buzz, ideas and infectious spirit that patrons call the “waterfront cottage in the city”.

An outstanding community ambassador and advocate for community causes, people from youth to seniors are inspired by Michael's nature, creativity, enthusiasm, innovation, and his passion for serving people; one by one helping to create a better, stronger and healthier community. ■

CLASS NOTES

1970s



Mark Campbell
(Mechanical Engineering Technician, 1975)

I was born in Peterborough and attended high school at Peter-

borough Collegiate & Vocational School (PCVS). After my Engineering program at Fleming I went on to graduate from Industrial Design at OCAD University and received a Masters Degree in Industrial Design from Syracuse University. Fleming started off a great career with special thanks to the mentorship of the late Paul Goddard who ran the Engineering program in those years. So happy to see that the Fleming has continued to grow and inspire so many more young people to achieve their potential.



Stephen Thompson
(Fish & Wildlife Technology, 1978)

I was a graduate from the Fish and Wildlife Technician Program in

1977 with most time spent at the Convent location on Russell Street. Subsequently graduated from the Fish and Wildlife Technology Program in 1978 with most time spent at “new” Frost Campus. First job was working for the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) in Niagara as a Conservation Officer/Hunter Examiner and then transferred to a Mobile Toxicity Technician position with the Ontario Ministry of the Environment (MOE) and then Microbiological Technician for a total of 4 years. Subsequently worked for Environment Canada in Yellowknife, NWT, as a Senior Resource Protection Officer for 3 years and then back to MOE

as an Environmental Officer in Timmins for 3 years. Finally worked at Fleming College in Lindsay where I helped create the Terrain and Water Resources Program (now Environmental Technology Program (“ET”) where I retired after 28 years of coordinating and teaching. I now teach part-time in the ET Program as I have always enjoyed watching the students flourish into successful environmental careers and life activities.



Tony Vandenberg
(Forestry Technician, 1977)

My first job was with the Junior Ranger Program up in Matachewan at Burt Lake Camp.

From there I was with the MNR at the Swastika Forest Nursery for three years and then to the Kemptville Nursery just south of Ottawa for a total of 16 years. After all the nurseries were privatized or closed, I found employment at Mori Nurseries in Niagara on the Lake. I am enjoying retirement as of last year....fond memories of SSFC (alias Sir Sand Box). Also the Gogama camp was fantastic. It was great to get into the bush. I remember Paul Pilley as the best instructor of Forest Entomology and Pathology who demanded and got results. I'm sure things have changed considerably at the college in the last 40 years.

1980s

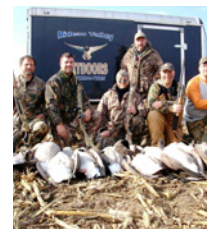
Robert Johnston
(Business Administration, 1981)

Happily welcomed our first grandchild. Led an incredible team across multiple businesses in 17 countries in the Caribbean with Royal Bank of Canada (RBC).

Rita Hoggarth
(Forestry Technology, 1982)

I have had the good fortune to work for a variety of forestry and horticulture positions in the government and private sectors. A contract in Bahamas led me to become a scuba instructor and open a dive shop in Peterborough. Due to my husband's relocation of work, we sold the shop and moved to Brantford. This opened a new door to working for the cannabis industry as a grower and pest management technician. Thanks to Fleming College, I learned to persevere and adapt to changing economical times, by being versatile and flexible with job opportunities. It led to full time success!

1990s



Tom Wood
(Fish & Wildlife Technician, 1994)

I started my own small business, Rideau Valley Outdoors, guiding waterfowl,

turkeys and bear here in Eastern Ontario. I'm also chair of Ducks Unlimited Smiths Falls.

2000s

Caroline Astley
(Fish & Wildlife Technician, 2000)

Currently working as a Senior Biologist with Hemmera out of Vancouver B.C.

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Congratulations!

Congratulations to alumna **Stacey Metcalfe** (Electronics Engineering Technician/Technology – Computer Systems, 2001) who was the recipient of the Customer Service Professional Network (CSPN) Leader in Change Management Award. This award is presented to a person who is constantly supporting organizational change activities, is futuristic, and propels others to change and reach company goals. This leader has set a clear vision for change and engages employees to work collaboratively and inclusively with team members to create the change and influence positive outcomes. This leader works tirelessly to remove obstacles, demonstrating commitment and perseverance.

Tiffany Covell, graduate of the Emergency Management program and current faculty in the paramedic program, was acknowledged on September 20 as the Emergency Medical Services Exemplary Service Medal award winner.

The honour is bestowed upon paramedics who have performed their duties in an exemplary manner, characterized by good conduct, industry and efficiency. Recipients must have been employed with emergency medical services on or after October 31, 1991, and have completed 20 years of exemplary service, including at least 10 years of duties

involving potential risk.

Congratulations Tiffany, on this prestigious award!

Peterborough Police Service Chief of Police **Murray Rodd** was surprised in June at Fleming College as the Peterborough Police Services Board announced a new student award created in Chief Rodd's honour.

The new award, "Chief Murray Rodd Award" was presented to Jesse Mitchell, a student at Fleming College in the Police Foundations program on June 5 at Sutherland Campus by Peterborough Police Services Board chairman, Bob Hall, as a surprise to Chief Rodd in recognition of his retiring year.

This was the first year that the "Chief Murray Rodd Award" was presented, donated by the Peterborough Police Services Board. The award will continue for three years, awarding each student recipient \$500.

Chief Rodd is no stranger to Fleming College, having graduated from the Law and Security program at Fleming and acted as Board Chair for the Board of Governors at Fleming College from 2007-2011. After 35 years with the Peterborough Police Service, Chief Rodd officially retired on June 30, 2018. Congratulations!

Thank you to Fleming alumnus and Peterborough Police Deputy Chief **Tim Farquharson** and **Peterborough Cares** for their success on October 20 at the second annual Stand With Tim fundraiser. The event raised \$18,151 for the Brock Mission, YES Youth and Family Shelter and the Warming Room shelters in Peterborough.

Fleming College receives prestigious architectural excellence award

The Kawartha Trades and Technology Centre (KTTC) at Fleming College in Peterborough has received a 2018 design excellence award from the American Institute of Architects (AIA). KTTC was one of 10 winners — and the only Canadian one — of the AIA's Education Facility Design Awards, announced by the AIA's Committee on Architecture for Education on April 13, 2018.

The Education Facility Design Award recognizes cutting-edge designs that enhance student learning.

The 87,000-square-foot KTTC, which opened in September 2014, was designed by international architecture and design firm Perkins+Will. The building houses trades and technology programs including carpentry, plumbing, electrical, welding and heating, refrigeration and air conditioning, as well as programs such as Graphic Design – Visual Communication.

The Peterborough-Kawartha Women's Leadership Awards took place on Saturday, October 27. The event was organized by Peterborough-Kawartha MP and Minister of Status of Women Maryam Monsef and held during National Women's History Month. The awards recognized women's leadership in the community, whether through volunteering, public service, professional achievements, advocacy, or being a remarkable friend or family member.

We are thrilled that 9 Fleming alumnae have topped the list of Women's Leadership recipients! Congratulations to **Emily Coombes, Kathi Curtin-Williams, Carol Fisher, Stacey Love-Jolicoeur, Trish O'Connor, Lori Richey, Susan Susnar, Rose Terry and Jeannine Taylor!** Thank you for all that you have contributed to our community and for making Fleming proud.

Fleming College has been ranked as fifth overall and second best in Ontario in the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education's 2017 Sustainable Campus Index.

The index recognizes top-performing colleges and universities overall, by institution type, and in 17 sustainability impact areas such as curriculum, energy, transportation, water, investment and finance, and coordination and planning, according to a release from the college, measured through AASHE's Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating System (STARS).

"Fleming College's feature in this report shows its significant leadership and commitment to advance sustainability," stated AASHE's executive director Meghan Fay Zahniser. "We are excited to recognize Fleming for working to secure a thriving, equitable and ecologically healthy world through its comprehensive sustainability efforts."

In addition to Fleming's overall top-five ranking, the college was highlighted in the report for its research related to the salmon hatchery at Frost Campus. The hatchery is part of the Lake Ontario Atlantic Salmon Restoration Program, which is working to restore the species to Lake Ontario more than 100 years after it was extirpated.

"Sustainability has always been at the forefront of our aspirations at Fleming College and should be interwoven into every aspect of the College, from operations and community engagement to curriculum delivery," stated Tania Clerac, operations lead, sustainability, at Fleming College. "Sustainability also needs to be embedded in our daily actions. As a college community, we should lead by example and continuously strive to improve our performance to not only meet, but exceed our targets."

This article was originally posted in the Peterborough Examiner; December 13, 2017. ■

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Lea Walsh

(Business Administration – Accounting, 2003)

Curled varsity curling while at Fleming - still curling to this day and executive director at the local club (Killaloe Curling Club). Graduated from Business Admin (Valedictorian) in 2003. Married with two boys. I work for McCarthy Fuels and Propane (employer for the last 13 years).



Marc Faiella

(Ecosystem Management Technician, 2005)

I was married in 2014. I have two wonderful girls ages 17 and 3.5

years old. I am an Aquatic Biologist/Environmental Inspector with Stantec and have been with the company for almost 13 years. I received this position within months of graduating from Fleming. My fondest memory with Fleming is the teachers. Their willingness to work with each student one on one if needed. Their

enthusiasm for what they teach day and day out is remarkable.

2010s



Nicole Bradbury

(Massage Therapy, 2011)

Currently working as a Registered Massage Therapist with Athletics Care Sports Medicine Centres.

Lee Scholl

(Fish & Wildlife Technology, 2016)

Currently at Trent University in the Environmental & Life Sciences Masters program studying maternal effects of Snowshoe hares in Yukon Territory. ■

Share your class notes!

Send us a brief note about what you are up to now or share your wedding, birth, retirement, promotion or award announcement for the next edition of Fleming Ties alumni magazine. Photos welcome. E-mail: alumni@flemingcollege.ca

Condolences

It is with sadness that we share information about the passing of Fleming College alumni, staff and friends. We offer our deepest condolences to their families and friends.

Daryl Beckford was a graduate of the Heavy Equipment Techniques program at the Frost Campus and graduated in 2011. An avid hunter and fisherman, Daryl was always willing to help any one of his large circle of friends out at a moment's notice and lived up to his reputation as an admirable friend. Daryl passed away on December 11, 2017 at the age of 26.

Jordan Brydges passed away at Peterborough Regional Health Centre, on August 29, 2018 in his 38th year. A celebrated musician and song writer, Jordan played with many musician friends in varying genres. A graduate of Fleming College's Ecosystem Management Technology program (class president of 2012), Jordan was proud of his environmental work with the Otonabee Region Conservation Authority, and his recent work with the Peterborough Public Library. Anyone who was lucky enough to cross Jordan's path knows what an amazingly talented, genius, creative, and tender being he was.

Patricia Cole, a Business Administration graduate from 1992, passed away on January 4th, 2018 in her 66th year. In 1997, Patricia was nominated by Fleming College for the Ontario Colleges Premier's Awards in recognition of her career achievements. Pat was Corporate Senior Manager of Human Resources at EHC Global Inc., Oshawa and had worked there for the past 24 years.

Richard Crowley passed away peacefully on Wednesday, August 29, 2018 at St. Joseph's at Fleming at the age of 88. Richard was a former employee at Fleming College.

Roger Esson was a Fleming College graduate from the Security Alarm Techniques program in 1992. He was a nineteen year veteran and a Captain in the Trent Hills Fire Department – Hast-

ings Station and was someone described by his colleagues as not the most vocal in the room, but who led by example. Roger passed away on June 29, 2018 in his 48th year.

A 2017 graduate of Fleming College, **Thomas Fischer** will be fondly remembered by his many family and friends. Thomas passed away on August 11, 2018 at the age of 34.

Ronald Fisher passed away peacefully while surrounded by his loving family on April 6, 2018 at the age of 67. Ron was a graduate of the business program at Fleming College, class of 1972. He had a successful career for 35 years with the Royal Bank of Canada and happily retired in January 2010. Upon retirement he continued in the financial industry as a volunteer Credit Counsellor. He spent many happy summers with his family and friends on Sandy Island in Lake Nipissing.

A 1996 graduate of the Museum Management and Curatorship program, **Susan Guthrie's** passion and enthusiasm for art, music and literature will be missed by members of the cultural community of Peterborough. She passed away peacefully at the Peterborough Regional Health Centre (Palliative Care) on February 28, 2018 in her 63rd year.

A graduate from the Marine Mechanic Apprentice program in 1991, **Richard Hancock** passed away on March 23, 2018 in his 56th year.

Fleming College graduate, **Geoffrey Heale**, passed away with his family by his side on April 2, 2018 at Peterborough Regional Health Centre in his 68th year. Geoff was active in the Soccer Community, the Peterborough City Soccer Association and a former member of the Ennismore Optimist Club and will be remembered fondly by many.

Troy Hurtubise was a 1989 graduate from the Forest Recreation Technician program. He passed away on June 17, 2018 at the age of 54. Troy lived in North Bay, but grew up in Hamilton where he developed a passion for inventing as a teenager. He followed his dreams and did what others are often too afraid to do.

A Forestry Technician graduate from 2004, **Michael Kitney** began his career with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF), working across northern Ontario, including Red Lake and Fort Frances. Michael finally settled in Dryden as a Fire Operations Supervisor, where he embraced everything northern Ontario had to offer. Mike faced Leukemia with incredible courage, strength and unwavering positivity. Michael passed away peacefully on the morning of January 4, 2018 at the age of 35 with his family by his side.

Al Middleton, a former employee from the Frost Campus, passed away suddenly on November 30, 2018.

On Saturday October 27th, 2018, **Gord L. Miller** of Woodstock and Kawartha Lakes suddenly passed at Woodstock Hospital. He was in his 64th year. Gord was an Audio-Visual Technician graduate from 1979. Gord was self-employed as an HR Consultant in the Music Industry, was in his final year of his term as a City Councillor for Kawartha Lakes, as well as following his musical passion in his band "Passport" for over 25 years.

Nancy Newton began her teaching career at Fleming in 2002 and was the Coordinator of the Protection, Security and Investigation Program since 2003. Nancy passed away December 16, 2017 at the age of 52. The difference she made in the lives of all of those who knew her will be forever cherished. Her smile would light up a room and one could not help

but laugh with her perfectly timed and clever comments. **Lila Peacock** graduated from the Career and Work Counsellor program in 2004. She passed away on August 17, 2018 at the age of 71.

Dana Piercey of Bobcaygeon, passed away on May 5, 2018 at the age of 47. Dana was employed by the City of Kawartha Lakes for many years, working at both Victoria Manor and the Social Services Department. She was a 2012 graduate of the Hospital Nursing Unit Secretary program at Fleming College.

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of former faculty member **Bruce Rumsey**. Bruce joined the college in October 1980 and retired from teaching

in the School of Trades and Technology in August 2007. Bruce passed away peacefully at his home on February 27, 2018 at the age of 70.

Alain Van Ryckeghem was first a student at Frost in the Pest Control Technology program, then later returned to Fleming to teach in the program. A published and accomplished entomologist, he left Fleming to pursue a career as a technical director for Insects Limited in Indiana. Alain passed away on November 28, 2017 at the age of 55.

Richard Stone was a teacher in Peterborough for over 22 years, owning and managing his own Kumon franchise (math and literacy). He passed away on

May 2, 2018 in his 65th year following a courageous battle with cancer. Richard was a Fleming graduate from 1995.

Bryan Whitfield was a retired professor of mathematics and technology at Fleming College. Bryan loved playing hockey and tennis, growing his own food in his large vegetable garden, exploring his world through travel, speaking Spanish with friends from the New Canadians Centre, and pondering the big questions of human existence. Most of all he loved the people in his life - friends and family. He passed away on February 20, 2018 at the age of 74. ■

Fleming Flashback <<



Fleming students assist the veterinarian in assessing the health of a darted rhino.

In the winter of 2018, Fleming College launched its first 12 week semester abroad experience for students at the Askari Wilderness Reserve in South Africa. Our Fleming Flashback contest question is: What academic program is this semester abroad experience a part of?

Submit your answer to alumni@flemingcollege.ca for a chance to win a Fleming prize package!

Congratulations to Kate Featherstone (Outdoor Adventure Skills, 2013) for correctly identifying the Flashback photo in the 50th Anniversary Edition. Rick Mercer filmed his report at the Frost Campus in November 2012. ■

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