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When our lives get turned upside down

ALEX BITTNER HOWARD 2002 Chair, *Chronicle* Committee

When we set out to write this year's *Chronicle*, we wanted to highlight how our Old Girls balanced work and life, families and careers, mental health and deadlines. We wanted to demonstrate that work doesn't define who we are and that we are all more than just our job title.

Little did we know, when we decided on the 2020 *Chronicle* theme of "Balancing Act," that the world would be examining that same theme very soon.

Who are we when we can't go into the office? What is important when those we love are sick and we can't be by their side? Who are our role models when athletes and movie stars are at home safe while store clerks and bus drivers are risking their lives for us?

I am so incredibly grateful for this involuntary time out: this time to pause, reflect and reprioritize. After having two kids in two years and running my own business through it all, life seemed to be going by so quickly that I couldn't keep up. Slowing down our days for bike rides and gardening, virtual games nights with extended family, and finally tackling that laundry list of todo's seems to be just what our family needed. I've actually connected to more people since social distancing began, done more exercise and worked more with my hands.

Then again, I am one of the lucky ones. I am safe at home, spending some much-needed quality time with the ones I love most, enjoying life through the eyes of my children; even though they are confused, a little scared and missing their friends, they have never been happier. I would be lying if I said I didn't miss going out to restaurants with friends or being challenged and stimulated by colleagues at work, but I know we will return to that eventually.

When we do, I can only hope that others around the globe have also taken this opportunity to examine their priorities and reflect on what truly matters. Instead of wearing "busy" as a badge of honour, maybe we can look to wearing inspired and rested, happy and balanced.



Connection despite distance

JULIE CROTHERS 1993 President, Havergal Old Girls Association

Thanks to the *Chronicle* team led by Alex Howard for producing another thought-provoking and informative issue. "Balancing Act" was chosen many months ago as the theme to focus on how Old Girls spend their time apart from their responsibilities relating to work and family. With the COVID-19 crisis, this equilibrium has received a serious jolt, and we have had to create and adapt to new ways of finding our footing. While change can be uncomfortable, many positives can result, including a refocus on what is most important: health, family, friends and community.

On behalf of the Old Girls community, I extend a warm welcome to our new Old Girls, the Class of 2020. We were overwhelmed with the response from Old Girls outside of Toronto when asked to deliver grad gifts to our graduating boarders. Five women from Jamaica quickly responded; one even offered to drive to the other side of the island to deliver the gift. They coordinated to deliver the gift together. Another five women in Hong Kong gathered to deliver the gift to a graduate in that city. A key part of our new strategic plan is to connect more frequently with Old Girls living outside of Toronto, so we were excited to find such enthusiasm. The big news for HOGA this year was the launch of Connections, our new alumnae platform. It allows you to reconnect with classmates around the world and use the Havergal community to expand your professional network. I encourage all Old Girls to join (connections.havergal.on.ca).

Although our connections remain largely socially distanced for the time being, I urge Old Girls to seek support from friends in the Havergal community during this unsettled period. Several classes organized Zoom calls, and the team in the Old Girls Office called hundreds of our "older" Old Girls to personally check in and see if the Havergal community could do anything to help. We are stronger together, and I look forward to the days that we can be united in person again.

Finally, I'd like to recognize the critical work and sacrifice of Old Girls working in health care and other essential services during this pandemic. You can read some of their stories on pages 50 and 51. We sincerely thank them for their service.

Be well, *Julie*



Choosing simplicity

CATHERINE MISSON Principal, Havergal College

Growing up on the north coast of New South Wales, Australia, my childhood was spent in the sunshine with an abundance of natural environments to explore. My home is situated on both the Wallis Lake and the beautiful sandy coastline of mile-long beaches. There were stretches of forest that we spent many hours exploring. With my siblings, the outdoors provided us with so many opportunities to be physically active and creatively engaged as we honed our ingenuity.

Books. They were my constant childhood companion. Having exhausted my mother from asking, she taught me to read at the age of three. From then, every day of my life has had me burrowing into the imaginative worlds of eclectic authors. As seasons of my life have come and gone, reading has given me pleasure, comfort and challenge and has lifted me above the everyday.

Now, in my adult years, the physical and creative combine to buoy my well-being. They are twin sources of rejuvenation and relaxation and are adaptable to any number of circumstances and environments.

In 2018, I had the incredible experience of visiting South Africa and going on safari. In the crisp mornings and evenings, we travelled through the country. During the day, I wrote about the impact on me and read Nelson Mandela's speeches, preparing to visit Cape Town and take in the history of struggle and emancipation. Looking back, I describe this experience as akin to being immersed in mindfulness: the natural world and the human spirit connecting, provoking the senses and extending my reflection on who I am and my place on Earth. Truly, it fed my feelings of being whole and healthy.

In today's 24/7 world, humans need to be intentional about their well-being. We have travelled

far as a species, but I hope we will never lose our connection with this planet from which we emerged and which sustains us in our tiny corner of the universe.

Reading David Brooks's *The Second Mountain*, there is a chapter on "The Wilderness," in which he comments on the tradition of human beings going out into the natural landscape to escape personal confusion, doubt and pain. He refers to the author and theologian Belden Lane to explain this behaviour. "When I venture into wilderness, I'm surprised by how much I enjoy my own company. The person I travel with there isn't worried about his performance. He sheds the polished persona he tries so often to project to others. [...] I want to *be* the person I am when I'm alone in wilderness."

Reading these lines, and thinking about young people and their rising levels of anxiety, their fear that they will not be able to compete in a globalized, digitalized economy, and their discomfort with being cut off from their online tribe, I see such a pivotal role for parents and educators to intentionally nurture their capacity to remain connected to their natural environment, to be able to sit with silence in order to listen to who they are at their core. This has been driven home as we grapple with our imposed physical distancing during the pandemic.

I believe that this starts with choosing simplicity: walking in the open air, reading a favourite book in the sunshine. Perhaps it is once a week; perhaps it is now and then. Role modelling for our children how to be both productive in the competitive world and comfortable with silence, and just being ourselves, sets them up to be more insightful and reflective, able to accept who they are at their core. And with that self-knowledge and acceptance, they are more likely to feel whole and well in their world.

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Finding balance in a world off-kilter

TONY DI COSMO, CFRE Executive Director, Advancement and Community Relations

Sitting down to write this message to you, our alumnae, it struck me just how much has changed since this time last year. With the onset of a global pandemic and economic volatility, we have been challenged to maintain balance and often to find new and different ways to stay well.

Harmony between our life responsibilities and the activities that bring us pleasure, fulfillment and renewal looks different for each of us. We know that at a fundamental level, eating healthily, exercising and getting adequate rest and sleep are necessary to feel refreshed. But what else?

For me, finding balance also means protecting time to be alone with my thoughts and feelings as well as time to spend with friends and family. Having a network of support is vital, providing connection, intellectual stimulation and a feeling of belonging. Alone time contributes to my selfawareness.

This is something I stress with our Advancement & Community Relations team. Having balance in our own lives allows us to create inspired work and be better representatives for our Havergal community.

At Havergal, our students are fortunate to participate in programs and curriculum to help them achieve balance. Whether it is extracurricular activities in athletics or programs involving mindfulness, this is another way that a Havergal education sets itself apart from other schools. We are blessed to have a community of donors who support programming that makes a difference in our students' lives every day. Funds have been established to support those who exemplify leadership, dedication, perseverance and, above all, a successful balance in their attitude toward school, sport and life in general. This is truly what it means to exemplify a Havergal student.

As we continue living life in the shadow of this pandemic, this focus on balance and wellbeing will be more important than ever. Like our students, I encourage you to find that mix that brings balance into your life and makes you feel well. I hope to be able to see you again soon, but until then, I look forward to your emails, phone calls and zoom chats.

Be well.

Profiles

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"I always ran the business for the fun and enjoyment."

Prioritizing me-time

JILL BENNETT 1970 By Lexi Ensor 2013

Growing up in Toronto and working at her mom and dad's flower shop on Eglinton Avenue, Jill Bennett saw first-hand the hard work and dedication required to run a business. Jill also witnessed her mother taking time out of her hectic schedule to be present for her kids, tending to family and friendships, and treating herself to some much needed 'me-time' – a manicure or salon visit – when she needed a break.

Jill has always been an avid outdoorswoman, whether it was at camp, working as a crosscountry ski instructor or instructing Outward Bound courses. After meeting her husband and moving to Alberta with him and his four dogs, Jill and her husband decided to pursue happiness through a lifestyle that they enjoyed. They merged his love of dogs with Jill's love of cross-country skiing, opening a skijoring business (skiing behind a dog!), then a dogsledding business, and ultimately landing in Rocky Mountain House, about 75 km west of Red Deer, Alberta.

With a B&B offering dogsledding in the winter and voyageur canoeing in the summer, Jill ran her business and homeschooled her two kids.

"I've never taken a salary from it – I always ran the business for the fun and enjoyment that it brought me."

Jill worked extremely hard and with purpose to run the business, enjoy life, and spend time with family. In 2003, she was diagnosed with breast cancer and forced to close the voyageur portion of the business. Although Jill had always thoroughly enjoyed her life, she realized during her recovery that she hadn't been taking enough time for herself. Between the dogs, her business, and her family, she had a hectic and atypical schedule that made 'metime' extremely difficult.

After her recovery, Jill decided to make more time for herself, as her mother had done when she ran her flower business years ago. To maintain happiness and a focus on herself, Jill has identified five keys to achieving balance and happiness in her life: working with the dogs; staying active; making time for herself, whether it's a massage, a pedicure, a trip or taking a course; prioritizing physical and mental wellness by seeking support and opportunities for continuous learning; and maintaining old friendships and connections, especially with a group of friends from her graduating class at Havergal.

Not only has Jill learned how to take care of herself through these five key areas, but she has also learned that advocating for yourself – being in charge of your own wellness – is key to maintaining balance in life.

Jill will continue to work with her 17 dogs until they can't run anymore. Looking toward retirement, Jill is exploring options that will help to maintain a real balance and support her well-being. She has found a beautiful lot on a lake in the Slocan Valley, B.C., where she and her husband will be downsizing and building an environmentally friendly home. Jill will volunteer, take advantage of a trail bordering the property where she can ski and hike, and spend her retirement focusing on happiness and wellness, doing things that she loves.

"I liked being pushed like that, being forced to confront things I didn't know and learn from them."

Taking care of ourselves, to take care of others

SHELLY DEV 1994 By Alexandra Brickman 2010

Burnout is felt in most professions, but not always recognized, let alone understood. Dr. Shelly Dev has been addressing burnout in the medical community by sharing her story as an intensive care doctor at Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre – a position she has had since 2006.

Shelly always knew she wanted to pursue medicine. In Grade 9, her first year at Havergal, she resolved to get into medical school. Later, as she worked her way through medical school and a residency in internal medicine, Shelly found her calling in intensive care.

"Since I don't come from a family of physicians, I didn't know much about medicine, but I had always thought of it as a noble profession. Deciding to do intensive care was a surprise for me because I didn't expect to enjoy or excel at something so acute, stressful and emotionally difficult. It was the one place I couldn't hide. I had to act, to make decisions, to be responsible in the moment. I liked being pushed like that, being forced to confront things I didn't know and learn from them."

A few years ago, Shelly was invited by a group of internal medicine residents to speak about wellness at a weekend retreat. In preparing, Shelly sat down to reflect on her life and career – in particular, her first years out of training, during which time she had two children and lost her father to a terminal cancer. In her speech, Shelly opened up about her experience in therapy, which helped her reckon with painful moments in her medical training.

"When I was a resident, I became this person that I didn't even recognize. You suppress

difficult or confusing experiences in the name of 'professionalism.' There's a tacit belief in the medical world that in order to be good at that job, you have to numb your own feelings to be able to take care of your patients. It was only after I spent time in therapy that I realized what my life in medicine meant for me as a human being – what I gave away and what I now needed to reclaim about myself."

Shelly's speech was adapted into an essay titled *How Therapy Revealed the Ills of Residency*, which was published on the University of Toronto Faculty of Medicine website and emailed to all of its alumni. Shelly says hundreds of people contacted her, telling her how much her words resonated with them.

"I was so stunned by how pervasive this sense of private struggle was. Our profession is defined by compassion, grounded in its ability to care for people – but we only apply that to our patients, we don't always apply it to each other or ourselves."

When COVID-19 struck last spring, Shelly saw the mental health crisis in the medical community hit an entirely new level. She also saw parallels between the pandemic and physician burnout.

"The barrier to appreciating the gravity of burnout is the seeming invisibility of the affliction. With the physical devastation brought by the pandemic, that need for caring for ourselves as providers became more tangible. It is now clearer than ever that we must value our mental and physical health as though our lives depend on it, because they do. We cannot look after these incredibly unwell patients unless we are also well and able to do our work."

PHOTO: NIAMH BARRY 2009

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The patchwork of life

SU RUSSELL 1960 By Katharine Brickman 2007

While biographies are often presented as a linear progression from one event to the next, Su Russell's has had a more patchwork quality, much like the quilts she loves to make. For Su, quilting and crafts provide a counterbalance to the stresses of her counselling practice and serve as metaphors for the complexity of life.

At Concordia University, Su studied fine arts and psychology, taking mostly night classes as she started her family. After finishing school, Su and her family moved to Victoria, and she supported her four children by working as a medical office administrator for 12 years.

When she had the opportunity to take some time off, Su began to explore her artistic side. Su had always loved sewing, so she took a quilting class – "I was really excited about working with fabrics and colour and design," she recalls, "I became transfixed."

Su became very adept at quilt-making and worked as a quilt artist for ten years, exhibiting her collection in North America and Europe.

After a decade of full-time dedication to her artistic career, she was ready for her next challenge. Her counsellor mentioned an art project that she had been using with clients to help them open up. Su said, "I envy you being able to do that kind of work," to which her counsellor replied encouragingly, "you could do this work too. Why don't you go back to school?"

"The seed was planted," Su says, "although it took a couple of years to germinate."

Su completed a peer counselling training

program, then earned her master's of education in counselling and began to establish a counselling practice in Victoria in 2003.

Initially, she focused on trauma counselling for clients of all ages and backgrounds. More recently, Su has found that her clientele consists largely of older women who find her empathetic and relatable, especially when it comes to personal transitions like ageing, retirement, dealing with health problems and losing family members and friends.

As Su concentrated on her counselling practice, she had unconsciously set aside her quilting. "I realized that the creative place quilt-making had filled in me and the satisfaction and sense of challenge it had given me had been replaced by the counselling work I was doing."

But Su also notes the similarities between counselling and quilting. In both, you "take pieces of people's lives and put them together into something that makes sense," she explains. Over time, she found that the intensity of providing trauma counselling to others was well-balanced by doing something creative and personal.

Over the past 17 years of her practice, Su has taken up a number of different crafts in her spare time, including drawing, watercolour, basketry and clay work, as ways to "let my mind wander, as a break from having to be so focused on somebody else's process and healing."

Now semi-retired, Su is planning to get back to quilting, after a nearly 20-year break, and already has some fabrics laid out on her desk in anticipation.

PHOTO: JOANNA ZOWTOWSKA

"Janet has another priority at the moment, and it's her son John."

Looking forward

JANET FORMAN 1977 By Julia Stanley Weaver 1978

It's not always easy in life to set priorities: to know what must be done now and what can be done later.

But when her publisher asked Janet Forman, a successful author of mystery novels, to attend a prestigious convention in Washington this year, it was clear that she could not go. Janet has another priority at the moment, and it's her son John, who, at the age of 31, is going blind.

There are many ways to say this, but "her son is losing his sight" or "her son is visually impaired" do not pack the punch that she felt listening to a specialist answer John's question.

"Am I going to go blind?"

"Yes."

"I had an immediate sense of déjà vu," says Janet. Her father was blind. Despite his failing eyesight, he practised psychiatry at Toronto General Hospital and was an associate professor at the University of Toronto. He was never given a diagnosis, prognosis, or hope of a treatment.

Eventually, he lost all sight. He lost his career too, but remained active, serving on the boards of the CNIB and Havergal. Dr. Forman and his guide dog, Buffy, were often seen at Havergal events.

John is a lawyer. His vision began to fail while he was at law school. Because of advances in medical research, John, unlike his grandfather, was given a diagnosis. He had inherited X-linked retinal degeneration (cone-rod dystrophy), caused by a change in the RPGR gene. The career was still on track but he was not. John quit his job and, with Janet's help, is planning to walk across Canada to raise money for research into treatments and cures for blinding eye disease. The walk, *Looking Forward 2021*, will start in St. John's, Newfoundland, and finish in Victoria, British Columbia.

Janet has published five novels, the most recent of which are the Lee Smith mystery series, published under the pen name Jay Forman and set in various locations across Canada. They have been translated into several languages and sold around the world. The next story in the series, which she is currently writing, is slated for publication in September 2021.

Janet is also putting her writing skills to good use with blog posts about John's walk, which can be found on his *Looking Forward 2021* website, LookingForward2021.ca. The proceeds from John's walk will be directed to Fighting Blindness Canada, Canada's leading funder of vision research.

When asked how she manages to balance the demands of her writing and helping John, Janet responds, "I knit. Knitting is my mindful meditation – the rhythmic, repetitive movements help me zone out and stop thinking about whatever is going on in my life. It allows me to mentally escape into a stress-free sanctuary."

Every November, Janet donates a bag of knitted items to a shelter for the homeless or abused women. Clearly, John and his mother share a generous impulse to help others and to keep looking forward.

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Getting out of your head and into the world

SONIA AGRAWAL 2002 By Alex Bittner Howard 2002

It was in her Grade 11 year that Sonia Agrawal was first diagnosed with depression. No one would have guessed (including myself, and I was one of her best friends), as Sonia was the most energetic, goofy, hilarious and optimistic girl in any classroom.

In her oversized tunic and tie that was more pins than tie, Sonia was a strong academic, a member of numerous committees and teams, and a prefect in her final year. She spent the majority of her time holed up in the theatre. She was the most dependable friend (and still is!), and even when she was at her lowest, she still managed to ask you how *you* were doing.

Depression was not something people talked about in the early 2000s, and so it was not surprising that when Sonia asked permission to speak to her classmates in Prayers about what she was experiencing, she was promptly shut down. She was devastated, but never gave up on the idea that she wanted to spread the word and share her struggle with those around her. Her perseverance paid off. It would be six more years before she was welcomed into Brenda Robson Hall to talk about her struggles with mental health, but, as she says, it was worth the wait.

As she recounts that experience to me, she still gets emotional. But it's not sadness; she is empowered, encouraged and overwhelmed with joy. She was able to deliver the talk she always wanted to a room full of girls who were not only open and receptive to listening to her journey but also, as it turned out from the lengthy Q&A afterward, desperate to share their struggles with mental health as well.

Though initially not entirely sure what started it all, she later realized that the trigger was a change

in her routine and the loss of a very close friendship with two other students – carpool buddies who left to go to a different school. She simply couldn't dig herself out of the feelings of abandonment and loss.

Coming back to Havergal to share her feelings on these struggles, Sonia also shared her coping techniques: friends, family, hobbies. And they haven't much changed in twenty years! One of her biggest tools for managing her depression is travel. As an only child, Sonia is fiercely independent and often travels solo or to meet friends halfway across the world. She was able to find a job with an international company that offers a lot of travel opportunities, allowing her to experience different cities, cultures and people. She reinvigorates her love of life and manages her depression through experiences that get her out of her head and into the world.

Her most recent adventure took her to her motherland (literally, the northern Indian hill station where her mother was born and raised before coming to Canada). She spent a month working with an NGO helping solve water scarcity in the Himalayan region of Mussoorie. Learning about "what my parents left to give me anything and everything – coming to Canada, sending me to Havergal," gave her a new perspective and a new outlook on life. "I am just so grateful for going through *all* the experiences of my life, including the depression."

Aware that she will forever be managing her mental health, Sonia is keen to talk about and normalize depression. She knows that finding balance in her life is crucial, so she fills her calendar with the gym, an oil painting class, dinners and concerts with friends and lots and lots of travel.

Nancy believes deeply in the importance of activities that feed the mind, body and spirit.

Building hobby into community

NANCY REID JACKSON 1952 By Julia Stanley Weaver 1978

Nancy Reid Jackson was a go-getter on the professional front. After graduating from Havergal, she studied political science and economics at the University of Toronto. She embarked on a career as a financial analyst, working for Canadian Business Services, Financial Post Services and The Timothy Eaton Company. She did a master's in education at OISE and then focused her career on training within corporations, government departments and agencies.

"I really enjoyed watching people grow and develop," says Nancy.

Nancy married Rex Jackson, they had three children, and she continued her career. But career and family were not all. Nancy believes deeply in the importance of activities that feed the mind, body and spirit. Sports have filled this role throughout her life, helping her balance the oftencompeting demands of work and home.

For many years, Nancy made the time to play tennis regularly. The Jacksons are all avid skiers. Nancy and Rex were founding members of the Craigleith Ski Club in Collingwood, to which they drove from Toronto with the children on winter weekends. Now widowed and in her 80s, Nancy no longer plays tennis, but she still skis often, alongside her eight grandchildren.

Nancy has also enjoyed a lifelong love of art, beginning with art classes at Havergal. In the early 1950s, she attended evening art classes and subsequently joined The Toronto Watercolour Society and the Willowdale Group of Artists. She participated in workshops, life drawing sessions and demonstrations by visiting professional artists. She painted and contributed to art shows. She found this to be a wonderful outlet for her artistic instincts and a magnificent way to meet new friends.

In 2003, she and Rex moved to Collingwood, where there was no equivalent art group. She missed the camaraderie of a group of artists and wanted to make friends in her new community, so she and a friend started the Marsh Street Artists.

They put up notices around town and held the first meeting at Nancy's house. Now the group has 45 members who meet weekly at the Marsh Street Community Centre in Clarksburg. Fifteen to 20 members attend each week, and the meetings have a supportive, inclusive atmosphere. Everyone works at his or her own pace on their individual projects, knowing that should they run into difficulties, they can call on others for assistance. Coffee breaks are the most important time. All stop work to chat and enjoy the baked goods that members take turns providing. Once a month, there are demonstrations by professional artists. The group puts on shows at libraries in town and nearby Meaford, Thornbury, and Owen Sound.

The Marsh Street Artists continue to be a mainstay of Nancy's busy life, allowing her to continuously meet new friends, keep up with old ones and contribute to her community. All in all, Nancy is glad to be rounding off her professional and family life with hobbies that bring her social, physical and creative pleasure.

PHOTO: CYNTHIA JACKSON

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Finding the light

JACLYN GOMAN 2011 By Allison MacLachlan 2005

For Jaclyn Goman, there was a time when it seemed like things would not get better.

In Grade 10, Jaclyn started to struggle with depression, anxiety and mood disorders. Her best attempts to feel better only brought her mental health further out of balance as she turned to unhealthy coping mechanisms. "It was dark," she remembers. Grateful for the support of a Havergal guidance counsellor who connected her with Sunnybrook Hospital, Jaclyn started in therapy there.

But things got darker still when, shortly after graduation, Jaclyn's struggle evolved to include addiction.

Three years later, she found herself in a rehab centre in Texas with a group of women of all ages, and no cell phone, TV, or books—just one ten-minute call home weekly. The environment was completely different from the reality Jaclyn had been living. "It forced me to be present, confront the issues, and decide how to move forward," she says. "This was my one shot at rebuilding a life I wanted to live."

In May 2020, Jaclyn celebrated being four years sober.

The transition back to reality after rehab was difficult. Jaclyn started a blog to share her story and could see that her writing was helping people.

Since then, she has become an advocate for mental health through public speaking, never shying away from telling her own story. Jaclyn also works as a trainer at the Toronto gym Body Love Inc, and does competitive boxing, crediting fitness as an important part of her recovery.

In 2019, Jaclyn wanted to direct some past event planning experience to a good cause close to her heart. So she organized the Mask Off Gala, a fundraiser in support of Sunnybrook's mental health department, where she first received treatment. In its inaugural year, the event was wildly successful, with 350 attendees at Berkeley Church and a writeup in the Toronto Star.

For the next Mask Off Gala, Jaclyn expects 450 attendees and has recruited committee members to share in the planning. Her goal is to make the gala an annual event in different venues and to grow it into one of the largest charity events in the city. She also wants to make events like this—and the discussion around mental health services they support—more accessible to the younger generation that includes her peers.

Since her struggle began ten years ago, Jaclyn thinks there has been a positive shift in the public conversation around mental health. "You couldn't really talk openly about this without people looking at you differently," she says. "Things are different now." But despite increased awareness around issues like depression and anxiety, Jaclyn sees addiction still being highly stigmatized.

Looking to change that, she is currently completing an addictions program at Wilfrid Laurier University, with the goal of starting a coaching business to help people transition back to life and find their balance after rehab, as she did. She is also looking to start a clothing company to continue to raise awareness around mental health.

Having come through her darkest days onto an empowering new path, Jaclyn is inspired. "My whole life purpose has shifted," she says. "I'm trying to help as many people as possible through my experiences. I want to do this forever." "Doing the family tree made me realize I'm here just through a fluke of fate."

Finding strength in roots

CAROLYN PURDEN ANTHONY 1959 By Tara Dermastja Scott 1997

Imagine standing in the fields once farmed by your ancestors. Or rifling through old, oversized records in a dusty parish looking for any sign of your family name. Carolyn Purden Anthony has done this and more as she has gone back to her roots and explored her family tree.

"It's like living in a giant detective story," she says of her favourite pastime.

Born in England in 1941, Carolyn moved to Canada with her family in 1952 and attended Havergal from 1954 until 1959. She has spent half of her working life as a journalist and the other half owning a communications business. About nine years ago, inspired by research started by her father, Carolyn began digging into her past. Along with her partner Bill Hanna, she has managed to trace her family name back more than 400 years.

"I started this when I was running my business, so it definitely gave me an outlet and a consuming interest, especially in those fallow periods where no work was coming in," Carolyn says.

Multiple trips to Birmingham, England over the last several years have not only given Carolyn and Bill quick vacations from life in Brantford, ON, but also the chance to coop up in parishes and libraries, flipping through county records. Since the local parishes didn't keep complete birth, marriage and death records prior to the 1600s, not all the information could be easily found. Messy clergymen's handwriting, doodles on the records, and the same names used from generation to generation have added to the difficulty of tracking family members down.

"So much of this has been pure luck," she says. In Radford Semele, a small village outside of Birmingham, Carolyn was able to walk the land once owned by her ancestors. The farm has long since changed hands because her family went into metalwork when the industrial revolution began. Still, an impromptu conversation with someone nearby gave her the chance to step inside the farmhouse they owned long ago.

"You really get into people's lives," she says.

For people interested in exploring their own family tree, she advises, "Talk to older generations. Get the basic information and write it down."

She also recommends resources like Ancestry.ca. As soon as she signed up, she was contacted by someone tracing her mother's side, which includes family from Scotland.

"I've uncovered relatives I didn't know I had," Carolyn says.

After almost a decade spent investigating her roots, there's still more to be done. And just as she has continued her father's research, perhaps her children Stephen and Jennifer will continue hers.

"It would be nice if someone were able to take the family tree further back than I have," Carolyn says.

While the tree has taken her on a fascinating journey, Carolyn also spends time seeing her grandchildren, gardening, reading and practising photography. She took up pottery four years ago and is a member of the Brantford Potter's Guild.

What started as one of many hobbies will eventually turn into a book, but only for her family to whom she feels so connected.

"Doing the family tree made me realize I'm here just through a fluke of fate," Carolyn says, "and only because every person in the long, long line of my ancestors, back to the earliest days, had a child who was a survivor."

PHOTO: W.B. HANNA

"What will we do with the brief time that we are on this earth?"

Finding truth in mortality

JESSICA ZIVE 2003 By Catharine Heddle 1989

Jessica Zive describes a moment last fall when she and her husband were in Yoho National Park, floating in a canoe on Emerald Lake. They marvelled at being surrounded by mountains that had been there for millions of years.

"We're here for just a tiny speck of time," she realized at that moment. "The question is, what will we do with the brief time that we are on this earth?"

The Class of 2003 graduate was mid-way through a finance degree when it dawned on her that she might be on the wrong path. Through the kindness of a supervisor, she was able to job-shadow two hospital physicians, and she became determined to follow their path.

Seven years later, she had completed her business degree, upgraded her high school and university science credits, volunteered at a variety of clinics and research institutions and finished medical school. She was finally, officially, a doctor.

As a family medicine resident in Buffalo, Jessica met her future husband while both were working in the ICU. He went on to become an internist, but Jessica struggled to find a specialty that suited her.

Interviewing for a fellowship in palliative care, she confessed that she was often faulted for taking too much time having conversations with patients. The quality, replied her future supervisor, made Jessica perfect for the role.

She found that it was true. The holistic nature

of palliative care appealed to her. "Speaking, listening, spending time with people – along with the intellectual stimulation, these were the reasons I went into medicine," says Jessica.

Today, as a palliative care physician in Toronto, she cares for people with incurable illnesses.

"My darkest days were when my Mom was very ill with lymphoma," she recalls, adding happily that her mother eventually recovered. "If those are the dark days, then all the other days are... not dark."

Her leisure time is spent with friends and family, sharing meals (often with Havergal friends) travelling, yoga, exercise and cottaging. She and her husband relax at their home in Toronto and cook together – "the simple life," she calls it.

But Jessica says it's her work that keeps her centred. There are sad moments, of course, but others are filled with joy.

Contemplating the meaning of life may be an occupational hazard for a person who, at age 35, spends her working hours with people who are getting ready to die.

"When you take care of people who are dying, you learn a lot about living," she explains. "I know what people worry about at the end of their lives, and it's people and relationships – that's it. Nothing else."

"I've learned that you have to live each day being true to the things that are important to you," she concludes. "For me, that's love, health and time – three things you can't buy."

PHOTO: NIAMH BARRY 2009

Awards

2019 Annual Dinner and Awards Presentation2020 Havergal Old Girls Life Achievement Award Recipient2020 Dr. Susan Ditchburn Young Alumna Award Recipient



Awards and Honours presented to Old Girls

Since 1894, Havergal has been inspiring young women to make a difference in their families, communities and the world at large. The Havergal Old Girls Association (HOGA) is proud to honour outstanding women who embody Havergal's long-held values.

Our community is blessed with many outstanding individuals. Please think of women whom you know, especially those who shine in less conventional ways.

Havergal Old Girls Life Achievement Award

This award is presented to an Old Girl to recognize her life's achievement, professional and/or volunteer.

The award is presented annually at the Old Girls Annual Dinner and may only be awarded once to a particular Old Girl. The nominations for this award are retained in the Old Girls office for a period of five years.

Dr. Susan Ditchburn Young Alumna Award

This award is presented to an Old Girl, under 40 years of age, who has made a difference for good in the world.

The award is presented each year to one Old Girl at the Old Girls Annual Dinner and may only be awarded once to a particular Old Girl. The nominations for this award are retained in the Old Girls Office for a period of five years.

Hall of Distinction Award

Presented every five years, this award recognizes Old Girls who have achieved singular, noteworthy accomplishments. Nominations are called for in the year before the Hall of Distinction takes place. The next Hall of Distinction induction will be in 2024.

Nominate a fellow Old Girl

For more information, and to download a nomination form, please visit the Havergal College website at **www.havergal.on.ca/oldgirls/awards**.

Please submit your nomination by March 31, 2021 to:

Old Girls Awards Committee c/o The Old Girls Office 1451 Avenue Rd Toronto, ON M5N 2H9 Fax: 416.483.6204 Email: oldgirls@havergal.on.ca

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Havergal Old Girls Association invites you to attend our Annual General Meeting on Tuesday October 20, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in Brenda Robson Hall Havergal College 1451 Avenue Road Toronto, Ontario, M5N 2H9

We invite all Old Girls to attend, as well as anyone interested in learning more about the organization. Dinner will be served as we honour the 2020 award-winners and recognize the work of our dedicated Class Reps. The meeting will address the following:

- Election of Directorate members
- Review of the year's activities and other business that may arise

2019 Old Girls Annual Dinner Celebrating the Old Girls Community





Above: 2019 Havergal Old Girls Life Achievement Award winner Judy Ratcliffe 1952 (left) with principal Catherine Misson (centre) and 2019 Dr. Susan Ditchburn Young Alumna Award Recipient Janie Wong 1997 (right).

Below: Members of the Class of 1997 celebrate their classmate Janie Wong 1997 and her prestigious Dr. Susan Ditchburn Young Alumna Award.

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"CELEBRATING CONNECTIONS" WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2020.

Eileen de Villa

Receives Havergal Old Girls Life Achievement Award

OLD GIRLS AWARDS

"You can't be a good doctor if you don't feel," she says. She feels responsible for the well-being of Torontonians – all three million of them.

By Danielle Bennett

t is not surprising that Dr. Eileen de Villa is the youngest woman ever to win the Havergal Old Girls Lifetime Achievement Award. With approximately half her career still ahead, she leads a team of nearly 2,000 people and manages an annual budget of \$250M. As Toronto's medical officer of health, Eileen works for overall health improvement by implementing progressive policies on poverty and harm reduction, homelessness and student nutrition.

In the current context of a global viral pandemic, Eileen has distinguished herself as the face of the COVID-19 response in Toronto.

In recommending Eileen for this distinction, Mayor John Tory wrote, "when the history books are written about this extraordinary chapter in Toronto and global history, on the City front it will record strong, calm, resolute, professional leadership from Dr. Eileen de Villa. She is a pleasure to work with. That starts with her approach, which is entirely professional at all times. She is collegial and strong and a very effective communicator."

The path from Havergal to her role today involved a lot of learning. Eileen holds four degrees: a B.Sc. from McGill University, a Master of Health Science in Health Promotion and a medical degree from U of T, and finally, an MBA from the Schulich School of Business. Her medical residency was in preventive medicine and public health. As an adjunct professor at the Dalla Lana School of Public Health at U of T, her primary responsibility is supervising residents in that same specialty.

Given how highly Eileen speaks of her mentors

along the way, it is no surprise that she is paying forward her experience in this way.

Eileen was born in Boston to parents from the Philippines who were also doctors and raised in Canada alongside her older brother. After completing her bachelor's degree, she did an internship at the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in Vienna while deciding on her next step.

She completed other internships at the UN as part of her master's in health science. The blend of medical, health care and health system knowledge, coupled with her interest in politics and public policy, paved the way to a career in public health.

Public health involves using scientific data to elevate, protect and "heal" often disadvantaged populations. Kindness and empathy are essential to its implementation, and Eileen credits her parents for engendering these qualities in her. She also praises her mentor at Toronto Public Health, Dr. Sheela Basrur, for teaching her to balance scientific rigour with public trust.

Despite her busy schedule, Eileen volunteers her time with McGill University, Crescent School and closer to home, her neighbours. She also gives of her time to students, including those in master's of public health programs, in medical school and in residency training. Some would say that a medical officer of health is a cross between a good doctor and a good bureaucrat, but Eileen points out a missing element: being a good human.

"You can't be a good doctor if you don't feel," she says. She feels responsible for the well-being of Torontonians – all three million of them.

Anne Matthews

Receives the 2020 Dr. Susan Ditchburn Young Alumna Award

OLD GIRLS AWARDS

"Let's focus on health first. Let's focus on cheering each other on – stop comparing – start appreciating. Stop tearing down... and focus on building up."

By Danielle Bennett

e often hear about difficult situations making us stronger.

When Anne Matthews was in Grade 12, she had her right ovary and fallopian tube removed in an emergency surgery and was told that, as a result, she would never be able to conceive without fertility treatments. She decided to turn this devastating news into positive action by lifting the taboo surrounding infertility and by supporting women who face reproductive challenges. Along the way, she was able to defy her own prognosis and bring four (soon to be five) healthy babies into the world.

After graduating from Havergal, Anne continued her undergraduate education at Trinity College (University of Toronto), and then continued with four years of graduate studies at the International College of Traditional Chinese Medicine in Vancouver and Pacific Rim College in Victoria, BC. After losing her father to leukemia in 2005, Anne financed her studies by working as first a fitness manager and then a district manager for Steve Nash Fitness World in Vancouver, B.C. She graduated with honours while running the company's top district in the country.

Anne is a personal training specialist, accredited by the National Academy of Sports Medicine, a registered acupuncturist (R.Ac.) and Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioner (T.C.M.P). In 2018, she became one of five fellows in Ontario of the American Board of Oriental Reproductive Medicine.

In 2009, motivated by her patients who were looking for an exercise program that could be done at home, Anne founded Your Energy Makeover, a proprietary system that aims to maintain optimal metabolic health through exercise, nutrition, lifestyle challenges and, most importantly, a supportive group. In 2015, after finishing her graduate studies and moving home to Toronto, she opened Energy Tree Studios, and today is the proud sole owner of a beautiful 1,200-square-foot storefront clinic at Yonge and Summerhill.

Anne is passionate about women's reproductive health, body image, safe levels of exercise, sensible nutrition and community. Her clients and patients feel deeply indebted to her for helping them through their challenges, many of which relate to infertility.

"Her clinic is a reprieve from daily life, where her group format draws from our collective good energy," says Sonia Agrawal 2002. "Her online 'Energy Makeover' inspires women (and men) to take charge of their physical health, which positively affects their mental health and general well-being. This forum is unlike anything I've seen before, where everyone is supportive and personally invested in one another's success, with Anne being the goofiest, funniest and most relatable leader."

Anne inspires courage, both in person and on social media, where she is very forthcoming. "I'm going to share my struggles - open up - because I know that you, my community, won't let me struggle alone," she writes on Facebook. "Let's focus on health first. Let's focus on cheering each other on – stop comparing – start appreciating. Stop tearing down... and focus on building up. Define yourself by what you CAN do. You are limitless – it's all a question of finding a new way to do the things you think you can't. Fun fact about You: You can do anything, have anything, be anyone. Do it. Have it. Be it."

Anne exemplifies a unique kind of leadership, one that is based on authenticity, vulnerability and unfailing positivity in the face of adversity.

Year in Review

Havergal's Networking & Mentoring Program School and Old Girls' Events The Graduating Class of 2020 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Havergal Heroes Learning in the time of COVID



Old Girls networking & mentoring

In a world where technology lets us communicate with people across the globe by email, text, instant/ direct messaging and social media, the Old Girls Office strives to be responsive to our alumnae communication needs. Our aim is to become more digitally literate, support a strong online brand and stay connected with our alumnae in various ways.

With these goals in mind, we have launched a new online Old Girls platform called Connections. This name may ring a bell for those who read our electronic newsletter, *Connections*, which we send out to community members monthly. Our hope is that, as the online Connections platform user base grows, it will replace our e-newsletter as the means to keep alumnae up-to-date with news from their alma mater.

The Connections community is already strong and growing. If you are an Old Girl, consider signing up today! This online platform provides our alumnae with a space to interact digitally: to connect, reminisce, stay in touch, post job opportunities, become a mentor (or mentee) and grow your Havergal contacts.

All Old Girls are encouraged to enrol on our new online platform by visiting connections.havergal.on.ca

and clicking the "Join Now" button. Users who sign up with the email address that we have saved in our database will gain immediate access to the platform. Old Girls with a new or different email address may have to wait one business day to be approved.

Once you are connected, you can enjoy all that Connections has to offer as you browse through news feed posts, peruse event photos, read past issues of the *Chronicle*, RSVP to upcoming events and more. The greatest part about the platform is that it has all of the best features of a social media networking site without the targeted advertisements and a more sophisticated look and feel.

We hope that all Old Girls will sign up to be a part of this amazing online community. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to me, Danielle Bennett, director of alumnae relations, at **oldgirls@havergal.on.ca** or by calling 416.483.3843, ext. 6991.

We can't wait to reconnect with you all on Connections!



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Celebration Saturday brings together Old Girls, students, staff, parents and friends for activities and games in support of Havergal's community partnerships. The day provides a valuable opportunity to make direct connections and to forge enduring relationships with our partner communities. It is a day of fun and games, including midway activities, a silent auction, a bake sale and more!





Next Year's Celebration Saturday will be on SATURDAY, MAY 29, 2021



YEAR IN REVIEW



Prefects

 Mrs. Misson with Havergal's 2019/2020 Prefects on the first day of school.

Annual Hockey Game: Havergal vs. BSS

- 2. We totally won... where spirit is concerned!
- 3. Green and gold all over.
- 4. Old(er) pros!
- 5. Up-and-coming players also get in on the action!





School Events

Mother-Daughter Luncheon

1. Mothers and their Grade 12 daughters making memories at the annual luncheon.

A Virtual Father-Daughter Dance

- 2. Though the official event was cancelled due to COVID-19, some students and their dads enjoyed a Father-Daughter dinner and dance virtually.
- 3. Two left feet? Can't tell when you dance online!







Carol Service

- The annual Carol Service was held on December 18th at St. Paul's Bloor Street. Here, the Upper School Choir sings under the musical direction of Ms. Jessica Lloyd.
- Old Girls built a Spotify playlist, available on Facebook, based on their favourites.

2019 Reunion Years Cocktail Party



The Reunion Years Cocktail Party

celebrates milestone Reunions from 5th to 70th. The annual event is an opportunity for Old Girls to reconnect at the school before their individual Class Reunions.

- 1. Guests at the Old Girls Reunion Years Cocktail Party. The alumna in the middle is sporting her school blazer.
- 2. Classmates reconnect at the Reunion Years Cocktail Party.



In spite of the gradual reopening of businesses and the partial lifting of emergency orders due to COVID-19, there are too many unknowns to proceed with Reunion Weekend in Fall 2020.

Instead, Reunion Weekend will be on May 29 and 30, 2021. At that time, we will celebrate Class Reunions for years ending in 0 and 5, as well as those ending in 1 and 6.

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Balance: verb bal·ance | 'ba-lən(t)s to bring into harmony or proportion

By Catherine Misson

Over the past months, I have taken the time to listen and reflect on the magnitude of many voices. Society as a whole is grappling for better understanding in this incredibly difficult time. As a newcomer to Canada, I have found that listening to our student leaders, parents, Old Girls, faculty and staff has educated me on the very real issue of systemic racism in Canada. We have all seen what is happening in the U.S., but it is being experienced across the BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Colour) community here, too.

Havergal College has a responsibility to enact change to ensure we improve diversity, equity and inclusion. That includes looking very closely at our own culture within the College and our practices.

I called together a strategic group to set in motion the demonstrative action that I firmly believe is necessary for progress. This group comprises key senior leaders, faculty members and staff. This team will work in partnership with students, parents and our alumnae. We have commenced a thoughtful process to begin building bridges of understanding. Our efforts are focused on accelerating our actions to be a community that authentically responds to issues of racialization and marginalization.

Our commitment forward is to make meaningful strides in the areas such as:

- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion education for all employees and students;
- Dedicated time for students to share their personal stories and advance student agency through supported leadership and participation in community time, such as Prayers and assemblies and extended use of experts to supplement and enrich these opportunities;
- Review of the Social Sciences, English and Religious Education curricula to identify opportunities to
 provide students with robust engagement with Black history, diverse text selections and comparative
 religious instruction;
- Increased representation of BIPOC in our student community and across the employee demographic of the College.

These initial steps are simply the beginning. Together with the strategic team, we will review our progress and how to improve. I deeply understand that real cultural change will take time and consultation to get it right. In our process, we will be ready to explore whatever opportunities and needs we identify. We welcome and encourage your ongoing feedback.

Community is the glue that binds us and makes us better members of society. I am confident that the Havergal community will sustain the momentum to make the shifts we need for the greater good.

CLASS OF 2020 BECOME OLD GIRLS

Congratulations to the 115 newest graduates of Havergal College! We are proud of all that you have accomplished and welcome you into the sisterhood of more than 10,000 Old Girls around the world.

Due to the global pandemic, your 12th year was marked in a most unusual fashion; it will be part of our collective history for years to come. While we couldn't celebrate graduation in person, we look forward to seeing you sign the Old Girls register next June. On behalf of Havergal students to come, thank you for raising more than \$106,328 to benefit the Boarding Program.

CLASS OF 2020 ENDOWMEN TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020

\$106,328



UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS

Many members of the Class of 2020 will continue their studies in Ontario, with **Queen's University** topping the list of destinations, followed by the **University of Toronto** and **Western University**. Nearly a quarter of the Class is heading to five other Canadian universities, with **McGill** taking the lion's share. About 20 per cent of the Class will study at 17 schools south of the border, including **Brown, Columbia, Georgetown** and the **University of Pennsylvania**. Finally, eight graduates or seven per cent of the Class will





2020 Graduates AREAS OF STUDY

Accounting and Financial Management 1
Acting
Arts / Humanities / Liberal Arts / Economics36
Arts and Science
Biomedical Sciences / Health Sciences 12
Business Administration / Commerce /
Management 23
Computer Science
Education
Engineering
Fine Art – Visual 2
Foundation Year Program - University of
King's College 4
Kinesiology
Mathematics 1
Medicine (Direct Entry) 3
Media, Information and Technoculture
Pharmacy
Recorded Music
Science
Gap Year

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Dr. leannie Callum 1986

is a transfusion medicine specialist at Sunnybrook Hospital and lead scientist on a major clinical trial studying the efficacy of convalescent plasma in the treatment of COVID-19 patients.



Dr. Megan Devlin 2003 is an infectious disease specialist at St. Joseph's Hospital in London, Ontario. She served as an expert panel member at a forum on the novel coronavirus at Western University.

CELEBRATING #HCOLDGIRLS

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Ioanna Griffiths. 2001, CEO and founder of Knix, raised nearly half a million dollars to donate masks, gloves and sanitizer to frontline workers at more than 75 facilities.



Leah Temertv-Lord 1998 is managing director of the Temertv Foundation, which gifted \$10M to the University of Toronto's Faculty of Medicine in support of urgent COVID-19 priorities.



Sarah Moffatt. 2001 is a registered nurse at downtown Toronto's St. Michael's Hospital, which has seen many COVID-19 patients, often from marginalized populations.





Dr. Ifeoma Aduba. 2006 Internal Medicine physician Baylor University Medical Center

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2001



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Ingrid Ha	kanson,
1996	



Respiratory Therapist, Vancouver General Hospita

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Lister Hospital, UK



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Thank You HEROES



Tory O'Driscoll 2014 is a secondyear medical student at the University of Toronto and the volunteer coordinator for its Student Senior **Isolation Prevention** Program. She leads more than 250 volunteers who are calling and checking in regularly with isolated seniors.



Kelly Thompson Polci 2000, a social worker at Sunnvbrook Hospital, helps at-risk mothers and babies, including those in the NICU where there have been several confirmed cases of COVID-19.



Dr. Andaleeb Shariff 2008, a family physician at Charlotte Hungerford Hospital in Connecticut, has been volunteering as an internist on the COVID-19 wards.



Tanya Taylor 2003, New Yorkbased fashion designer, fundraised to purchase 30,000 non-medical grade masks for hospitals in New York City and Canada.



Susan Tove 1983 lives in the small town of New Glasgow, Nova Scotia and has been sanitizing shopping carts at the local Sobeys - in all kinds of weather.

Dr. Roberta Minna, General Surgeon, and Chief of Surgery

William Osler Health System, Etobicoke General and Brampton Civic Hospital

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Sarah Moffatt, 2001 Orthopaedic and Neurology nurse St. Michael's Hospital. #HavergalHero THANK YOU!



Dr. Alex Mingay, 2008

Second year family resident, NYU Langone Hospital-Brooklyn



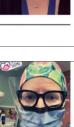
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OB/GYN

Mount. Sinai Hospital

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Learning in the time of COVID

On March 25, Havergal launched its Remote Learning Plan (RLP) to provide students with continuous learning as we support their well-being and that of our faculty.

Our approach included stages of implementation, able to evolve in this time of uncertainty. In the beginning, we established a new rhythm of life and learning. We put student and faculty well-being at the very core of this plan.

We are steadfast in our belief and practice that the well-being of humans is best sustained by building student agency, transitioning intentionally to digital tools, and creating a new learning environment that is adaptable and flexible. Our faculty implemented pedagogy responsive to our students' needs.

We have a 2+1+2 schedule in our RLP: Wednesdays are for well-being. Faculty can regroup, plan and coordinate their work. This day is for everyone's mental health management.

A focus on resilience and belonging

The word resilience speaks to the potential for personal growth and awareness through challenge, such as self-isolation and Havergal's closure. People demonstrate resilience when they leverage their capacity in new and sometimes untested ways.

How do we build in students a resilience to meet this unprecedented challenge? Relationships, creativity, purpose and self-care provide a framework for building resilience in these uncertain times. These elements are embedded throughout Havergal's remote learning plan.

Relationship-building is critical in education because it promotes familiarity, trust and community. Synchronous (face-to-face) web conference classes, grade meetings, one-on-one meetings with guidance counsellors and the social worker, mediations, wellness sessions and remote Prayers sustain and nurture personal and group relationships virtually. Creativity abounds in student-initiated ways to connect with one another. One example is the baking challenge established by the Middle School Prefects for Middle School students.

Scheduled classes shape students' experiences in purposeful ways. On Wellness Wednesdays, synchronous and asynchronous (pre-recorded) experiences like meditation, yoga and boot camp sessions promote peer-to-peer connectivity and selfcare. These and other opportunities were available to students in every grade, with many being recorded and posted for students to access on their own time.

Resilience and flexibility co-exist in times of challenge and uncertainty. Our community continued to demonstrate its resolve to cultivate these qualities throughout the school's closure.

Through student feedback, we have understood that they enjoyed the choice, flexibility and personalized schedules of the remote learning plan. They also told us that they would like more collaborative learning activities, an adjustment we will make should we need to pivot into episodes of remote learning in the new academic year.

Parents have expressed gratitude for the College's balanced approach and provided feedback on monitoring student levels of engagement as COVID-19 stretched out past Week 5.

Finally, as an interesting accounting of the heightened use of digital tools during the school's campus closure, please see the accompanying infographic. From March 23 to June 5, there were thousands of logins, on-line meetings, and emails sent. These figures include actions of faculty, students, staff and parents – all key players in the educational environment, whether face-to-face or remotely.

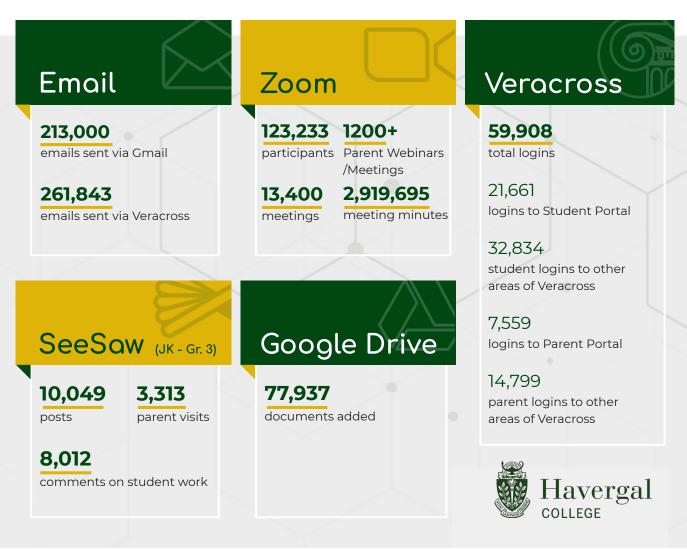
While we have proven ourselves capable of remote learning, and are prepared to do so again, whether full-time or part-time, our students and parents look forward to returning to campus.



Digital Tools

Engagement

The engagement of our community in the Digital Landscape of Havergal reflects the dynamic way we come together to learn, share and strengthen our connections. This infographic demonstrates the energy and embracing of learning within our community during the school closure.



Class News

Updates from classmates around the world Former staff news



EDITOR'S NOTE: Assembling the Class News this year presented some unusual challenges. As the news trickled in from mid-February through the end of March, the world was slowly but surely being turned on its head. Some classes revised their news in the context of the pandemic, but in some cases, the news reflects a snapshot of plans and priorities from long ago, pre-COVID times.

CLASSES of 1930, 1936, 1941, 1942, 1946

DEATHS

Mary Kirkpatrick Webster 1930 Janette Ellis Taylor 1936 Polly Dexter Hale 1941 Joanne Ivey Mazzoleni 1942 Shirley Frey Feeley 1946 Irene Shubik 1946

CLASS OF 1944 ~ 75th Reunion



DEATHS Mary Hepburn McDougall

Mary (Clemes) Ensor, Class of 1944 on Reunion Weekend.

CLASS OF 1947

CLASS REPS: Beverly Brockett West and Carol McKee Wishart

No news is not necessarily good news! Here we

CLASS OF 1947 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$\$157,053

are, 73 years on, and now our numbers are few and communication is scant. Following the book *Havergal: Celebrating a Century* and in celebration of Havergal's



The Class of 1947 at its 50th Reunion in 1997. *First row, left to right: Shelagh Dunwoody* Whitaker, Claire Mackid Muller, Nancy Lawson Passy, Zaira Murray Aspinall, Jill Davidson Macpherson, Gloria Dow Stewart. Second row: Judy Hallett Harrold, Joan Ellis Langdon, Jean Folster, Anne Chaffe Cannon, Nancy Green Roberts, "Jo" Shirley Short, Barbara Stupart Wilkins, Tottie McCulloch Johnston, Susette Burgoyne Pearson. Third row: Betty Kimbark Ondaatje, Beverly Brockett West, Mary Alicia Eakins Dimock, Shirley Moore Gunn, Helen Forwood Lloyd, Patricia Scott Fisher, June Taylor Gregory, Carol McKee Wishart, Jane Northey McKinnon, Diane Jacob Goad, Marilyn Potter Fenwick, Peggy Pepler Sharpe, Catherine Wood Crysdale, Billie Bickle Wilder, Sheilagh Collins Aird, Daphne Fisher Currie, Pat Hamilton Ingraham, Virginia Grew Merklinger

Not pictured: Joan Ballantyne Redfern, Peggy Bettman Faath, Joan Burry Brown, Barbara Dyment Grant, Gail Hutchison, Carole Haas Hill, Maxine McKenzie Kenny, Joan Stanley Dickenson, Elizabeth Taylor Lambert, Barbara Treloar Cribb, Jane Findlay Humphrey.



Frances Shirley Short 1947 (at right) with her Havergal classmates.

125th anniversary, the school has launched an ebook: *Reflections of Havergal 1994 to 2019*, which has much interesting information about the school. I think a quote from it epitomizes our long friendships: "*Most Havergal friendships begin in the classroom. Girls in green kilts and knee socks, giggling, playing and learning together. These girls become our lifelong sisters, embracing our sisters.*

successes, forgiving our faults and supporting us in good times and bad. Decades-long friendships built on these strong foundations are among the greatest gifts that Havergal provides." – Tara Dermastja Scott 1997 and Melanie Plet 1992, Chronicle 2015

Happily, we have celebrated our lifelong friendships many times. This picture is a look back at classmates on the occasion of our delightful 50th-anniversary reunion in 1997. It was at that time that we initiated our Class of 1947 Bursary, of which we can be very proud, knowing we have helped make it possible for many students to enjoy the benefit of a Havergal education.

Please contact **Beverly Brockett West** at 905-822-1113 if you have news to share!

DEATHS

Pat Hamilton Ingraham Joan Ellis Langdon Georgia Morris Painter (in 2018) Susette Burgoyne Pearson Esmee de la Roche Rees Frances Shirley Short

CLASS REPS: Margaret (Margie) King Huycke and Patricia (Pat) Millidge Roberts

At the Cinquantenaires and Stoneagers Spring Luncheon in May 2019, we had a wonderful table that included Kittie-Marie McPhedren Fells, Diana Fishleigh Eaton, Alison Farmer Gibson, Joan Wilkinson Hoolihan, Mary Graham Hogarth, Pat Millidge Roberts and Margaret (Margie) King Huycke.

Mary Graham Hogarth is still busy travelling the world. After a summer in Alaska and the fall in the St. Lawrence, she is spending two months going around South America.

Kittie-Marie McPhedren Fells and her husband George have spent many hours rambling in their local park, Craigleigh Gardens, watching playful puppies and appreciating ancient oaks. They summer in Georgian Bay.

We heard that **Jane Clarke Veit** has moved to a different senior's residence at Apt. 10207, 40 Camino Alta, Mill Valley, California 94941, and would love to hear from any of her classmates.

Pat Millidge Roberts has moved to the Russell Hill residence in Toronto.

DEATHS

Sheilagh Malley Scovell Charlene Smart Sibbit Martha Mulholland Sylvester (in 2018)



Charlene (Charlie) Smart Sibbit 1948 looked lovely in red.

CLASS OF 1949 ~ 70th Reunion



Three members of the Class of 1949 celebrate their 70th Reunion.

DEATHS

Joan Stewart Cook Nancy Boyd Drake Anne Finch McDougall Betty Stanley O'Brien

CLASS REPS: Elizabeth Scroggie Joy and Marion McTaggart Oliver

We so look forward to seeing our classmates at Havergal's Celebration Saturday – it will be our Reunion this coming year. Due to COVID-19, Reunion Weekend has been shifted to May 29 and 30, 2021. If any of you have any preferences or ideas that would make this celebration more special for you, please let us know, and we would be thrilled. You will hear more from us re this special occasion.

CLASS OF 1950 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$47,828

We send our warmest wishes to all of you. -Scroggie and Marion.

DEATHS

Glenna Nellist Sawyer

CLASS OF 1951

CLASS REPS: Heather McPherson Ballon and Jean Martin Lawrence

Margaret (Marg) Fitch Szücs deserves a medal for her many years of dedicated service to our class news. Heather McPherson Ballon and Jean Martin Lawrence, with Marg's help and trying to follow her example, reached out to classmates and received the following news.

Joan Taylor Atkin, having sold her home in Florida, is enjoying many activities in Bracebridge. Elisabeth Marani Bacque is staying with her daughter this winter and is still painting. Margaret (Marg) Ainslie Tuer continues teaching children at her church. Anne Mackersey Hull is recovering from a broken hip, but recently managed to get to the symphony by subway! Mary Uren Dame shares her home with two sons and is still active in church work. Claire Applegath Keith Larsen and her husband are at their retirement home in Melbourne, Florida. Mary Crawford Lloyd is living in Grand Bend, enjoying family visits!

CLASS OF 1951 ENDOWMENT FOR ARCHIVES TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$78,582

Elizabeth (Liz) Ogden Meyers recently spent three weeks in Florida with her daughter. Katherine (Kittie) Samis is living independently and still drives. Wendy Wright's recorded phone message was entirely in French! Marjorie Cowan Fish sings with her condo choir in Markham. Adrianne Armour Taylor cruised in the Caribbean with her daughter. She plays duplicate bridge and golf. Joan Kalthoff Burt went to Mexico in the winter and is enjoying social life in Creemore. Sadly, Mary Burbidge Helleiner passed away in March. Before she died, she sold two of her paintings in a local show.

Heather and Jean had great fun putting this news together and look forward to having our 70th Reunion next year.

DEATHS

Judith Bishop Perry Mary Burbidge Helleiner

CLASS OF 1952

CLASS REPS: Joan Rudolf McKinney and Susan Watson Nelson

Shirley Millar sends greetings from Florida. She welcomed a friend from Switzerland at Christmas, who had worked with her in the 1950s.

Ann Stark Wallace, who was a physio and occupational therapist, married a Canadian Signal Corps Army Officer.

They had a wonderful life travelling in many countries as part of NATO and Canadian defence members. She now lives in Kelowna, B.C. and is a keen bridge player.

GAY SELLERS KROEGER 1952 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$140,343

Doreen Seigman Murray played in the provincial pickleball championships last year, winning silver in 65+ mixed doubles and bronze in 65+ ladies doubles. She has travelled to Iceland and the Panama Canal, and she loves her

volunteer work at the food bank and hospice in Muskoka.

Nancy MacInnes and her dogs live in North Bay. Her daughter was recently appointed a judge in Toronto.

Judy Ratcliffe was stunned but very proud to receive the Havergal Old Girls Life Achievement Award this year.

After their usual haunt closed down, **Pat Eckardt Sedgwick** and **Julie Fortin Gray** were delighted to find a new restaurant they can frequent for their favourite oyster lunch while catching up with each other.

A big thank you to Lou Martin Bell for helping us to put

together the nomination for **Gay Sellers Kroeger** to enter the Hall of Distinction. Lou also put us in touch with Gay's daughters, and we were delighted when Kate was able to attend the installation ceremony and to accept the award on behalf of her mother.

DEATHS

Margaret Isabel Brazill Sinyard Paterson-Smyth Elizabeth Brunt Carter (in 2017) Gail Worth

CLASS OF 1953

CLASS REPS: Nancy Turville Bongard, Jill Bartlett Colley and Diana Porritt Greer

Jolly Wrong Macdonald, like most responsible Old Girls, was in self-isolation last spring. **Barb Owen Pauli** is well, playing bridge and Mahjong. She stays in touch, reporting that she enjoys cultural events with her family! **Marni Littlejohn Wigle**, living in Belmont House, is well supported by her family and has wonderful care.

Sheila Milburn Armstrong has just moved to Del Manor Retirement Home in Don Mills. Jill Bartlett Colley is still enjoying the cottage in Muskoka with her children and grandchildren. She plays bridge at Belmont House with Jolly! Ruth Mowat Jackson is well. She often sees Cathie Blackie Ross.

Anne Aitken Baker is busy in the springtime, going to Nova Scotia, where she is honorary patron-in-chief, involved with the "Battle of Britain." She was the reviewing officer of the Llewellyn Sea Cadets graduation in 2019.

Diana Porritt Greer and Don divide their time between Florida, where Don has business interests, and their lovely home in Erin. **Wendy Robinette Calder** reports that she and George are well and fit – walking, biking and enjoying their Southampton cottage and Barbados. She participates in a reading club in Woodstock. They are blessed with four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren! **Nancy Turville Bongard** is dealing successfully with health issues and is grateful for caring family and friends. She still paints and is involved with her wonderful St. Mark's Church and with fundraising for RiverBrink Art Museum. She visits family in Toronto and still entertains in her townhouse in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

CLASS OF 1953 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$115,005

In London, **Betty Bunting Duffield** and Bill still enjoy their ancestral home and visits from family. **Marilyn Ward King** and Wally love their travels to Sarasota.

We are very sorry to report that **Arden Wells King** passed away at the end of May. Her kindness and generosity will be remembered by many.

Judy Francis Kilbourne sent a warm message from Calgary. She has not been slowed down due to ill health. She spent a month on holiday in Florida and just returned from Palm Desert. Sadly, the philharmonic she worked on for three years has shut down. She and her family are adjusting to self-isolation, feeling blessed and trusting that things will work out... with a God bless.

I submit this and echo this last blessing from Judy. - Nancy Bongard.

DEATHS

Arden Wells King

CLASS OF 1954 ~ 65th Reunion

CLASS OF 1954 ENDOWMENT | \$26,236



Members of the Class of 1954 Betty (Bet) Stanbury Curry, Sally Bryden McCulloch, Nancy Lord Spanton, Jean French Bell, Margaret Brown Don (behind), Joan Burns Addison, Jane Bredin Currie, Elizabeth Conway Adamson, Frances (Fran) Bond McElroy and Joanne Tolton Connolly (in front) at their 65th Reunion.

CLASS REPS: Elizabeth (Bet) Stanbury Curry and Frances Bond McElroy

In 2019, the Class of 1954 celebrated our 65th Reunion with a most enjoyable June luncheon at the Thornhill Golf and Country Club. In preparation for this event, the Class Reps made a valiant attempt to personally chat with each class member for whom we had contact information. It was a gratifying experience even though finally, only 10 members were actually able to attend the luncheon. They are shown in the accompanying photo and included **Jane Bredin Currie**, **Betty (Bet) Stanbury Curry, Margaret Brown Don**, **Joan Burns Addison, Elizabeth (Liz) Conway Adamson**, **Nancy Lord Spanton, Sally Bryden McCulloch, Joanne Tolton Connolly, Frances (Fran) Bond McElroy** and **Jean French Bell**.

We welcomed receiving news from a number of classmates. Jane Gunn Warner reported having a difficult year with health issues followed by the death of Colin, her husband of 35 years. She enjoys keeping in touch with classmates, reporting that Nancy Lord Spanton continues to enjoy life in Barrie, and Diana Pennington is happy with her move to Selkirk, MB. Penny Lash Lorimer enjoys keeping in touch with boarding school roommates and especially welcomes Christmas chats with Margot MacLaren Watt from Ottawa, who is still enjoying her cottage and her children and grandchildren.

Patricia (Patty) Gooderham Morgenstern is happy with her move to Canmore and reports that she recently had a lovely visit with **Flavia Grant Duff Ormond** in London, England, where they revisited old haunts from their time there in the sixties. **Bet Stanbury Curry** had an excellent year highlighted by a trip to both Geneva and Lake Como to spend time with her sons before heading with her daughter to Florida, where she spends the winter. Her many hobbies include puzzles, theatre and acting as a taxi person for the Turtle Trauma Centre.

Jill Kerruish Strickland shared a great trip to New York with her sister in the fall. In the cold of Calgary, she reads, does puzzles and enjoys her cairn terrier. **Ruth Milne** keeps busy with bridge, theatre, long-time friends and her church in Burlington. Her bishop is Susan Bell, the former chaplain at Havergal. **Vernanne Purdy Drummond** enjoys her expanding family as well as PROBUS, movies and lunches with friends.

Sally Bryden McCulloch looks forward to summers at her Muskoka cottage. Joanne Tolton Connolly visited London and took two wonderful cruises before returning to St. Augustine for the winter. Jean French Bell took two trips on her bucket list with her daughters - Iceland and then Pasadena for the Rose Bowl Parade. Shirley Proctor Lewis sent greetings from Barbados, where she was vacationing. Fran Bond McElroy spent three weeks in Paris before taking a barge trip from Paris to Bruges. Joan Burns Addison and Jane Bredin Currie attended their Wellesley nursing reunion last fall and also spent time together in Grand Cayman.

CLASS REPS: Jane Dalton Avery, Diane Drewry Elder, Fiona McHaffie McGaw and Joan Winearls

As our 65th Reunion approaches, many of us realize the importance of keeping up those precious contacts with classmates from so many years ago. So we hope to see a good turnout for our next Reunion!

Susan Scroggie Metcalf and her husband Rob celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary last summer with a well-attended reception arranged by family and orchestrated by daughter Mary Metcalf Muir 1981. They had planned to take a Rocky Mountaineer trip in June and to visit their son Andrew and his family in Coquitlam, B.C.

Last summer, Gladys Johnston Massey and Nancy (Netty) White Thoman had a nice reunion lunch with Veronica Szasz Dowd, who came to Toronto from New Jersey to see some family. Nancy held a very successful book launch in her condo for Patricia (Trish) Beatty's new book *Two Voices*, which features Trish's poetry.

Ann Clarke Rowe reports that she had a wonderful trip to Galapagos last winter. From time to time, she sees Mary O'Neil Wheeler, who lives at Waterford Retirement Home in Barrie, and Ann Goodrich Reynolds, who comes up to visit. Diane Drewry Elder has moved to a lower duplex with a gorgeous secluded garden. She has had hip replacement surgery in February and was soon up and walking. Betty Armitage Lawson still has a busy interior design business, plays tennis and is involved with a current events club, church activities and three book clubs.

Joan Winearls had a short but good visit with **Heather Kellerhals-Stewart** at New Year's. **Heather** was visiting Toronto with her daughter Erika and her children, and they came all the way from Vancouver by train, which she reports is a slow but effective way to see some beautiful wintry scenery and catch up with the family. Fiona McHaffie McGaw stays in touch with Jean Keith Bryce, who is doing well at her seniors' residence in Guelph. Fiona is still very active in cross country skiing, painting, and travelling and is involved with several community activities in Collingwood. Wendy Seedhouse Murray has given up tennis but enjoys a bit of travel to Connecticut and Oakville to visit her daughters. Monthly meetings at the PROBUS Club and Hamilton Third Age Learning group helps to keep her in touch with the 21st century!

CLASS OF 1955 ENDOWMENT TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 | \$46,862

Susan Bicknell Leslie reports that on a wonderful trip to Australia (Perth and Sydney) at the end of September, she and her husband particularly enjoyed seeing indigenous animals and birds. Highlights were kangaroos and wallabies (some with joeys), koalas, emus, kookaburras and the exotic blue-breasted fairy wren.

Elizabeth (Liz) Burnett Rolston has finally retired from her profession as an occupational therapist. Life continues nicely for her as she knits her way through two wonderful knitting groups, serves on several Belleville committees and enjoys the company of her husband and their three dogs.

Jane Dalton Avery has had some recent health issues but is hoping she can make the next reunion.

Sadly, **Barbara Graham Carter** lost her daughter to ALS, which she found very tough. She reports: "I still live in Oakville on the lake and am playing bridge, which forces me to focus! We are getting older, but let's keep smiling!" She hopes to see lots of classmates at our Reunion. Due to COVID-19, Reunion Weekend has been shifted to May 29 and 30, 2021.

DEATHS

Polly Steele Organ Vivien Sturdee

CLASS REP: Dorothy Vernon Macdonald

Sue Hamilton Sisam and Barbara Goodwin-Zeibots each visited family in Australia. Other travellers included Ann McCullagh Hogarth to Grand Cayman and Libby Wade Abbott to the Dominican Republic. Diane Overholt Bethune tries to get to New Orleans and London every year.

Leigh Chestnut Halls, Barbara Trent Morris, and Janet Gibb Reynolds are the newest great-grandmothers in our class, while Sue has six great-grandchildren from one to 15 years old. Valerie Wilson Rhead no longer travels to the U.S. each winter, and they have sold their cottage, so they especially enjoy the view of the river from their apartment in Bracebridge. She is taking piano lessons, as is Wendy Blair. Wendy and her brothers are also trying to sell the family cottage, which is rarely used.

MARY DENNYS BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$7,043

Margo Morris Booth, whose husband died in the summer, has good friends in her building. She has talked to Lee Maxwell Christensen, who is still in her house in Utah, swims twice weekly and teaches Sunday School. Earlaine Stewart Collins is as busy as ever with the opera, symphony, ballet school and especially the Regent Park Music School (in her old public health district), which matches young students with donated instruments. Anna Lou Little Paul died suddenly at her home in Toronto last August.

> CLASS OF 1957 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$32,023

DEATHS

Anna Lou Little Paul

CLASS OF 1957

CLASS REPS: Linda FitzGerald Grasley and Cynthia Johnson Clarkson

No news was submitted this year! Please contact your Class Reps or the Old Girls office at 416.483.3519 ext. 4706 or oldgirls@havergal.on.ca to let us know what you've been up to.

DEATHS

Barbara-Faye Larson Sterritt (in 2018)

CLASS REP: Diane (Di) Hume Ward

Liz Blunt Poarch moved last year from the U.S. to B.C. to be near her son in Silverton. She was photographed riding an ATV! **Judy Kinsey Falusi** was laid low for a while last summer. She and Arnold took a Caribbean cruise in February.

Sandy Seed works hard at the Ten Thousand Villages store she started five years ago in Redondo Beach. They are pushing two million dollars in sales since they opened. She hopes to visit Toronto in September.

Cynthia (Tinks) Thun Willauer sends her love. Last summer, she stumbled on a rock in her son's garden and went down like a tree, her lower leg striking another rock. Her head hit the ground hard but didn't knock her out. Diagnosed as a hematoma, the wound on her leg required her to keep her leg raised above her heart for as many hours a day as possible. Though much of her life was put on hold, she enjoyed reading some history while flat on her back. She writes: "I am just getting back in gear. A main objective of my life is now clean-up and downsizing – not much to get excited about. I will be 'as was' by July, I am told. Meanwhile, Mr. Trump is exposing the shadow of our country, pretty frightening, with many wondering where all this will go. Pray for us."

Joan Graham Neely says that all is well (octogenarian-

wise). The year was punctuated by two visits from each of their "kids." Greg (in Australia) sometimes brings their granddaughter Tamara, who is not so far away in Whitehorse.

Judy Musgrave Burgess, though reluctant to write, reports that her life is happy in her little condo, with every kind of store to walk to and a bunch of old ladies who meet for coffee most mornings. She and her three sisters had planned a cruise to Hawaii from San Francisco with stops in various islands in April. She was planning to spend a couple of days with her sister Patsy Musgrave Chador 1959 before leaving. She is trying to learn the ukulele, and writes: "it's supposed to help the brain; it's not very hopeful, but it's fun."

Diane (Di) Hume Ward is busy painting, working with youth and seniors, serving on the board of her church and as chair of the office committee for Markham Fair. She volunteers at the community gardens for the food bank and writes columns for the local paper and the magazine put out by the municipality. Thirty years ago, she started a company that packages soups made with dried peas and beans and all the herbs needed. They are down to 10 stores now. She flew her family of 11 to Salt Spring Island last August for her grandson's wedding. It was magical.

CLASS OF 1959 ~ 60th Reunion

CLASS OF 1959 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$97,665

CLASS REPS: Kathleen Bourke Bell and Christine Coutts Clement

Happy memories of spring Reunions arranged by **Christine Coutts Clement** made Massey College the perfect venue to celebrate our 60th anniversary. We had a wonderful turnout. Of the 45 names on our class list, 26 (60%) of you came from near and far for this special occasion (see photo). **Liz Cunningham Biedinger** and **Marilyn McLean Sneller** had to cancel at the last minute, or we would have been 28. The afternoon of laughter, stories and catching up flew by, and many of us went on to Havergal to continue celebrating and reminiscing. On Sunday, **Mary Jean Borden Potter, Wendy** **Salmond Quarry** and **Kathleen Bourke Bell** attended the celebration of life service for Miss De Freitas. Wendy was one of her star Spanish students, and many of us fondly remember sewing classes.

Age has not stopped us from travelling. **Beverly Bruce Hargraft** visited Singapore, India, Sicily and Malta (Garden Club Trip) before cruising around Newfoundland. **Ann Galley** returned to India for five weeks via Paris. **Tannis Clarkson** spent June 2019 in Ireland, last summer with her family in Magnetawan and October in France and Greece, where her daughter was married. **Patricia Hamilton Winter** focused on the Americas, cruising around South America, followed



The Class of 1959 celebrated its 60th Reunion last fall.

Back row: Ann Osler Malcolmson, Kathleen Bourke Bell, Nancy Sewell Lorimer, Alice Payne, Judy Labatt Stewart, Chip Thun Karasin. Middle row: Penny Anne Stride Davidson, Christine Coutts Clement, Marianne Currie Steffan, Marilyn Metcalfe White, Sandra Gordon Steen, Mary Jean Borden Potter, Beverly Bruce Hargraft. Front row: Stephanie Stevenson Hutcheson, Ann Galley, Anita Krische Von Graffen, Wendy Salmond Quarry, Tannis Clarkson. Not pictured: Judy Cory Mangoff, Virginia Evans Walker, Dorianne Galloway Lackey, Patricia Hamilton Winter, Melissa Hart DeGeer, Carolyn Purden Anthony, Mary Pratt, Susan Small Morton.

by a family visit to Costa Rica. England in late summer is a regular fixture on Pat's calendar.

Marilyn Metcalfe White has hardly been home with trips to Bermuda, Greece, St Lucia, Iceland, the U.K. and a journey on the Rocky Mountaineer. Marilyn's granddaughter Mathilda is a Grade 10 boarder at Havergal. Marilyn now joins Mary Jean as a three-generation Havergal family. Judy Cowan Ackerley writes from Vancouver Island that she still returns to the family cottage in northern Ontario every summer and will visit family in England and Amsterdam. A cruise around the Canary Islands gave Christine Coutts Clement a break from her research at U of T's astronomy department. Christine was one of 12 Old Girls honoured in dramatic monologues at Havergal's 125th Celebration Concert at Roy Thomson Hall.

Speaking of honours, The Alberta Professional Engineers and Geologists Association, in celebration of their 100th anniversary, prepared a publication that featured a member for each year. **Alice Payne** was the 1961 selection (discoverapega.ca/stories/the-unstoppable-alice-payne-pgeo).

Carolyn Purden Anthony still enjoys serving on the

board of the Rekai Centres in Toronto. Mary Jean Borden Potter keeps busy with family visits, golf, aquafit, gardening and bridge, while Nancy Lorriman Siemms spends time in Hilton Head, Muskoka and with her 11 grandchildren. Suzanne Mayberry McCollum had a family Christmas in the Berkshires with her 10 grandchildren. She still plays golf and teaches an exercise class. Wendy Langs Johnson continues to enjoy winters in Florida but returned to New England to spend Christmas with her family. What an active group of Stoneagers!

The sad news of **Boni McDowell Townsend**'s passing from ALS reached us in June 2019. After graduating from Sick Kids Hospital, Boni moved to British Columbia, where she became an environmental leader and herb farmer. Her three children created a website, love-for-boni.ca, in her honour and mentioned that Boni spoke often and fondly of Havergal.

Our thoughts are with Judy Labatt Stewart and Marilyn McLean Sneller, whose husbands passed away recently.

DEATHS

Boni McDowell Townsend

CLASS REPS: Marsha Davis Brooks, Rosemary Elder Dick and Patricia (Pat) Weller Bent

Can you believe it? Sixty years since we graduated from Havergal. We are looking forward to greeting our classmates at Reunion Weekend. We hope to see many classmates from far away, including England, Amsterdam, Mexico, and San Francisco.

Sue Cantley Irvin writes that she hasn't been back to Havergal since she graduated and will be delighted to tour the boarding school and the new additions. Nancy Vokes MacLennan has had a great year enjoying activities with eight grandchildren and a cruise to Alaska. She still plays badminton. Cathy White Weymouth says she has stopped sports but works out at a fitness club on alternate days at seven in the morning. Her husband has developed a culturedriven foundation, the PLF, which supports ballet dancers, orchestra conductors, pianists and theatre directors. Their first-ever fellow was a ballet dancer whom Mary Risley took in when he joined the San Francisco Ballet. Havergal hands across the water, so to speak. Mary writes that as she approaches her 80th birthday, she is feeling so fortunate that she grew up with good luck, making good decisions and having the right guidance in life. She is constantly reminded

as she is the director of Food Runners. It supplies enough food for 24,000 meals a week to the homeless.

Though based in Calgary, **Mary Krug Ndlovu** is still actively engaged in the Edward Ndlovu Library. She is grateful to **Barb Rea Lemmon**, **Marsha Davis Brooks** and **Janet Bell Macey** for their help in fundraising and to Anne Carter and her family trust, the Cloverleaf Foundation. **Fran Smith Stronach** writes that this year's Women's Day of Prayer highlights Zimbabwe. Fran will be part of this celebration and has prepared a display highlighting Mary's library. **Kathy Cowan Russell** writes from a holiday in Lake Chapala, Mexico, that her grandson has a basketball scholarship in Alberta. **Mary Charles Fisher** walked the Isle of Wight in April and went biking in Burgundy. She volunteers at the CNIB and New Circles.

We look forward to seeing you at Celebration Weekend. Due to COVID-19, the date of our Reunion has been shifted to May 29 and 30, 2021. Plan to join us for dinner with your classmates, a tour of modern Havergal and more.

DEATHS

Taddy Matthews Cork Jennifer Weatherstone Neal

CLASS OF 1961

CLASS REPS: Elizabeth (Betsy) Bell Perkin, Jill Cumberland Trennum, Susan (Sue) Ortved Armitage

A new decade is not slowing us down! We are eagerly anticipating another Reunion next year with a great opportunity to connect again in person. Send us any ideas! Meanwhile, the past year saw many classmates continuing to travel. **Sally Taylor** took trips to Portugal in June and Istanbul in September, finding the five Stans interesting and educational. **Leith Drury** hiked in Italy through lush forests, UNICEF World Heritage Sites and vineyards. She also spent a week in London, staying in a comfortable English club. The only drawback was that her walking shoes were not "proper attire" for breakfast. The hostess told her to limp so that it would appear that she needed support footwear for medical reasons!

Jill Cumberland Trennum and Bob enjoyed touring Canada, first taking The Canadian from Vancouver to Toronto with **Brenda Graham Hercia** and **Karen Rechnitzer White**, sharing a fabulous time! Lots of laughs! Fond memories for Brenda and Jill, who had taken the same trip *alone* 63 years ago (only this time they did not get locked out in the caboose)! Jill and Bob also enjoyed a more active and scenic trip in September on The Rocky

rstone Neal

CLASS OF 1961 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$59,096

CLASS OF 1960 ENDOWMENT FOR ARCHIVES TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$32,695



Class of 1961's Brenda Graham Hercia, Jill Cumberland Trennum and Karen Rechnitzer with Bob Trennum.



Willo Murby Heesom 1961 receiving the Surrey Neighbourhood Watch Award.



Class of 1961's Karen Rechnitzer White, Jill Cumberland Trennum and Brenda Graham Mercia at the foot of English Bay in Vancouver.

Mountaineer, thoroughly appreciating beautiful Canada. In one year, **Anna Whitley** and Fred travelled to Cuba, enjoying B&B's in Trinidad de Cuba and Cienfuegos. Springtime took them to Japan, where they had a standout experience visiting Nagasaki, Hiroshima and Koyota. They spent three days and nights in the mountains of the Kii peninsula in a Buddhist monastery. September took them to our west coast including a potlatch in the Namgis First Nation Big House with friends celebrating their 50th anniversary in the fascinating village of Alert Bay. In between, they enjoyed cottage life and theatre productions at Stratford and Niagara-on-the Lake. They don't slow down!

Congratulations to **Willo Murby Heesom**, who was presented with the Surrey Neighbourhood Watch Award by the Police and Crime Commissioner of Surrey for dedicated service to someone serving 15 to 20 years. This involves road closures, floods, fallen trees, lost pets, loose animals and crime. Willo and Tom organized this program in 2000, and she continues to this day. Well done, Willo! Margo Taylor Morgan fondly remembers fun visits she and her husband shared with Willo and Tom in the U.K., as Tom was her sister-in-law's dentist! Jane Musgrave Sainsbury's son moved to Manchester. She will visit him there, followed by a cruise to Hawaii with her sisters. Lynn Robinette Mekinda remembers serving crisp bacon with Mary (Sassy) Waddell to the younger boarders for Friday night dinners and running with **Pat Hutchison Taylor** to grab as many sticky buns as possible on afternoons after 4:00 p.m. She and Pat still meet every month for a sleepover!

Penny Robinson Woodcock has retired from The Law Society of Alberta. She now just does civil mediations in small claims court, allowing for more time cruising on her downhill skis and on her road bike. **Judy Russell Strang** is heading to Toronto for her 55th nursing reunion and is eagerly looking forward to our 60th!

"As we get older, we may misplace our glasses, but we never forget our friends."

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CLASS OF 1962

CLASS REPS: Janet Cox Lumbers and Mary Davis

No news was submitted this year! Please contact your Class Reps or the Old Girls office at 416.483.3519 ext. 4706 or oldgirls@havergal.on.ca to let us know what you've been up to.

DEATHS

Nancy Lash Robinson

CLASS OF 1963

CLASS REPS: Caroline Pack-Beresford Clarke and Luba Frastacky

Class news reminds me of those old-time newsreels that ended with a spinning globe and the motto "We cover the world"! Margaret Fisher Galbraith and her husband took a cruise to Norway last September, visiting the small town where her great-great-grandfather was born. At the same time, Pat Blachford was on a trip through the Northwest Passage. For the first time, golf has fallen by the wayside and woodworking is to the "fore." Before the fires, Nancy Robinson spent six weeks in Australia and last fall took a hiking trip with **Anne Austin** and two long-term friends. Barb Jeffery Stimers roamed from Oregon to Montana; her favourite campsite being at the foot of Mount Adams in a meadow with elk grazing between them and the snow-capped mountain. She spent Christmas with her son's family in D.C. and enjoyed playing softball with the grandchildren.

After 13 years as a volunteer at the Odette Cancer Centre at Sunnybrook, **Honor Garland Nivin** wanted to treat herself to a luxury train trip out of Edinburgh, which includes afternoon tea on the Royal Yacht Brittania! She planned to return on the Queen Mary II and to spend this summer in Nova Scotia. **Jackie Cogan Smith** took a hiking/yoga trip to northern Costa Rica and enjoyed being near the volcanoes, but especially the Pacific beaches. **Marilynne Carr Nowell** and husband Bob took a rainy but fun cruise to Alaska and hoped to be in Palm Springs this spring and Ottawa this summer. **Caroline Pack-Beresford (Peebs) Clarke** was late in answering my blast email because she and Mike had just returned from the Galapagos. She and Mike invited **Luba Frastacky** to the Henley Royal Regatta, where the erstwhile recreational rower sat in her long gowns with Mike's old crew in the stands. Luba was invited to speak at the opening of an exhibition on her maternal family in Bratislava the week after Henley. Despite not having spoken Slovak in 15 years, she was able to thank the curator for giving her back part of her family. He showed her where her grandparents lived after the Nazis' arrival and the buildings where they lived during and after the war.

In other news, Barb Key Lea and her husband are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary by going to Wiltshire to view the crop circles created in fields of grain and a bit of hiking and painting. Carroll Wistow Willer still sends items from her home to auction and enjoys visits from family and friends. She and brother David visited their brother Brian in California, and for the first time since 1966, the siblings appeared on a Christmas card together. Last winter, Cathy Fauquier broke her fibula, and Gail Taylor Hamilton broke her arm. Sherry Taylor Drew is still painting beautiful koi fish for the bridge cards she sells to support a school for autistic children. She has been working with Sarah Pape 1990, Karen Magee Pape's daughter, on Karen's foundation and would encourage her classmates to support the cause. Visit canadahelps.org/en/charities/pape-familyfoundation/ to learn more or to contribute. And don't forget the Archives and Class fund!

CLASS OF 1963 ENDOWMENT | **\$26,385** TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020

CLASS OF 1964 ~ 55th Reunion



The Class of 1964 celebrated its 55th Reunion last fall.

CLASS REPS: Teresa Woods Snelgrove and Diane (Di) Davies

We started our 55th Reunion at the home of Mary Susanne Lamont for a luncheon on Saturday, September 28. We dedicated our reunion to Lani Nugent Moses, who served on the Reunion Committee for many years and hosted some reunions in her home. A total of \$2,055 was given by classmates who attended and by some who were not able to attend. In consultation with the school, a visiting artist will come to the classroom to lead a unit on sustainable fashion using recycled material - a topic well suited to Lani's interests in fashion and gardening. Di Nugent Cathro attended from Victoria and then visited with her son and family in Newmarket. Following a delicious lunch hosted by Mary Susanne, a small group attended the reunion cocktail party at the school and had dinner at a nearby restaurant. It was a great day to catch up on friendships. On Sunday, a few of us attended the memorial service and reception for Miss De Freitas in the Great Hall.

In Australia, **Kathy Batten Johnson** and her bridge team have qualified to play in the Asia Pacific games in Perth. She is enjoying her great-granddaughter. Unfortunately, she still battles with chronic back pain.

In the United States, Jan Coe Parks spends a lot of time in Austin, Texas visiting grandchildren Olivia (3) and

Ford (1). **Sue Gudernatch Dowling** had her family for the holidays and then went to the Mexican Rivera for two weeks before heading to Florida until the end of March when she had planned to return to N.Y.C. In Ontario, **Mary Susanne Lamont** has travelled to South Africa in November. She is on the board for the Carol Shields Prize for Fiction.

CLASS OF 1964 BURSARY

TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020

\$94,654

Last year, Mary Glendinning and her husband went with their daughter to San Miguel with an art group and spent the summer preparing for their son Donald's wedding at the farm. He earned his Ph.D. in nanotechnology. Their other son Allister was called to the bar. Teresa Woods Snelgrove's granddaughter graduates from Havergal this year. Sue Swan is U of T's 2020 Jack McClelland Writerin-Residence; she will give weekly workshops at Massey College. She also co-founded the Carol Shields Prize for Fiction with editor Janice Zawerbny. Anne Zurrer Martin is recuperating from a fracture of a small pelvic bone as a result of a fall downhill skiing. She is not giving up skiing after 60 years, but travel plans are on hold. Margot Kay Hillman has a new grandson. She and her husband continue their 30+ years doing the Terry Fox event, and she continues to meet her "birth" relatives. Andrea Moore Ritchie enjoys her volunteer work at a local hospital and giving massages to residents and families in her local hospice. She has a second great-granddaughter.

Along with her many volunteer jobs and day trips, **Di Davies** had a busy year travelling to Victoria last summer and Cleveland at the end of last August for a family wedding, to Edmonton and Jasper Park Lodge at Thanksgiving and Iceland in November. **Joey Bell Brown** travelled to Puerto Vallarta with a beading group, to Ecuador and Galapagos with **Elizabeth Ross Peter 1962** and to Acadia University for her 55th reunion. She began project 75 with the purchase of property on Lake Muskoka and the sale of her cottages on Lake Joseph, and **Jane Watson** helped plan a surprise 75th birthday celebration in early January. Margaret Cowan Slamen is the caregiver for her husband and has recently undergone cataract surgery. Judy Shapley Dent and her husband are in Woodstock, even though their family remains in Toronto. Her two eldest granddaughters have graduated from Havergal and continue their studies in Halifax and St Andrews, Scotland. Judi Trevett Shields missed our reunion but was hiking in Dorset, England and Normandy, France and visiting a Van Gogh exhibit in Paris.

DEATHS

Shirley Hawkins

CLASS OF 1965

CLASS REPS: Ann Woodrooffe Ferguson and Susan Sheen

Remember - this year is our 55th Reunion! Due to COVID-19, Reunion Weekend has been shifted to May 29 and 30, 2021. It looks as if we will have a reception at the school on the Saturday afternoon and then a catered dinner at the home of **Cass Campbell Kernohan**. We'll keep you posted about plans.

Not much news came in this year. We hope that means you're all waiting to see each other at the reunion and catch up on news then. We suspect that everyone is busy travelling, volunteering, visiting and spending time with grandchildren, family and friends – when not required to physically distance from them. We think especially of our classmates who had health challenges this past year and those who have lost loved ones.

Virginia (Ginny) Evans wrote that she is "still ticking along." Donna Morris Clarke had a similar comment: "nothing newsworthy but still here!" Ann Woodrooffe Ferguson celebrated 20 years of volunteering at the Oakville Wellspring Cancer Support Centre. She and Blair travelled to Tasmania last November. Kirby Chown travels to Italy every year and is gradually learning to speak Italian. She had a knee replacement. Vicky Osler Baxter is a volunteer driver for blood pressure clinics and for the distribution of Good Food boxes. She enjoys collecting eggs from her laying hens and is an active member of the Anglican Church in Bobcaygeon. Vivien Ludlow published a wonderful children's book, *Everybody likes Al*, and reports that all 50 copies have been sold. With her husband, **Eleanor (Ele) Johnson Kyle** still spends spring, summer and fall in Kenora and winters in Florida. Ele and **Susan Dunster Borden** paid a visit to Havergal in February last year and enjoyed a trip down memory lane roaming the halls. She had four more good visits with Susan before she died from cancer last August. Our condolences go out to Susan's family.

CLASS OF 1965/1966 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020

\$90,130

Susan Sheen is still fostering puppies for the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides. In November, puppy #9 arrived - Mars, a red poodle. Gobi, puppy #8, is doing specialized training in Oakville in the autism assistance program. He's allowed home on long weekends if he's doing well enough at school! Susan helped with Marcelle De Freitas's funeral in Toronto at the beginning of July. Some of us had Miss De Freitas as our Grade 9 homeroom teacher in the small room with the dumbwaiter near the old cafeteria, and many of us were in her sewing and Spanish classes. You may not know that Miss De Freitas received the highest marks in the high school graduating class on her native island of St. Vincent in the Caribbean. The reward was a full scholarship to study at a university in England, but it was 1939 and there were rumblings of war, so she came instead to Montreal and did her studies at McGill. Afterwards, she came to Toronto and spent her whole long teaching career at Havergal.

See you all at the Reunion in May!

DEATHS

Susan Dunster Borden

CLASS OF 1965/1966 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2019 \$89,110

CLASS OF 1966

CLASS REPS: Lea Aird Menear, Roslyn (Roz) Kaye Stollery and Barbara (Barb) Beatty Taylor

Once again, this year's highlights seem to be trips and grandchildren. Lea Aird Menear, who will celebrate her 50th anniversary in June, is very proud of her seven grandchildren, most of whom seem to have inherited her athletic ability. She still skis, plays bridge and is ready for her yearly trip to Hawaii with Sharman Scoon Mckinnon. Gay Mills McNeil sometimes travels with them, but this year she was in Florida and overseeing the construction of a neighbour's house in Toronto. Sharman is loving life in Arizona and spending time with her five grandchildren. Elizabeth (Liebes) Austin, who was in Madeira and Maui this year, visits Rosemary Campbell and Jane Rowe Rees on Vancouver Island and keeps in touch with Judith Hodgson Sanford in Oregon. Liebes' daughter has moved back to New Zealand from Duncan B.C. Jane is still singing with the Victoria Scottish Gaelic Choir and loves having her daughters and their families nearby.

Barb Beatty Taylor Reid annually spends time in Hilton Head, recently visited Halifax and England and, with nine grandchildren and one more on the way, says Christmas is "happy chaos." Merridy Cox Bradley is editing a series of books and writing a bit of poetry. Jo-Ann Joseph enjoys cruising, computer graphics, walking her dog and babysitting her toddler grandson. She marvels that she used to think 70 was old! Helen Fisher, who still has no social media, continues to teach viticulture, plant physiology and soil structure at Guelph and Niagara College. She can't retire because she was just awarded grants for three new research projects! Lou Ann Fallis Ballard is excited about the spring arrival of a second granddaughter. Marjory Glassco Patterson is enjoying Ottawa with both children and their families there as well. Nancy Paul Hamilton says her trips to Hawaii and Scandinavia, which she loved, were wonderful adventures. She is looking forward to a West Indies cruise next.

Connie Corbett is happy to have her two sons and five grandchildren at Presqu'ile. She still spends time in Portugal. Roz Kaye Stollery continues to play a lot of bridge and travels with her many grandchildren. Barb Smith Broadhead enjoys her three active grandchildren, plays bridge and visits the gym three times a week. Anne Smith-Bingham Ross is a retired naturalist in Michigan. She recently birded in South Africa, is looking forward to a Mediterranean cruise and enjoys golf, painting, playing the piano and her three grandchildren. Sue Aziz Innes has no news. She plays bridge, loves her cat and travels to Hilton Head and Longboat Key. We were so sorry to learn of Janet Oxley Waddington's death after a brief illness and send our thoughts to her family. We hope everyone has a very happy, healthy year. And sends in lots of news. It will be our 55th Reunion and we would love to see you all. The 50th was really fun. Let's do it again!

DEATHS

Janet Oxley Waddington

CLASS REP: Jane Stevens Westlake

As the 2020 Class News Tips want us to shine a light on parts of our lives we might consider "less relevant," but which are actually very important, these thoughts couldn't be more completely underscored by the COVID-19 virus pandemic. The freedom to come and go with family and friends, travel and access excellent health care all answer what really matters to us all.

Here is what you have shared. Candice Carlisle Cassils had been looking forward to a choir singing concert in April but was concerned as the seriousness of COVID-19 escalates. Candice's child Cassils, an LGBT artist, travels a lot and notes they wear plastic gloves on the plane, just as she wears mitts on the metro. Karen Glassow lives on the Niagara Parkway looking out over the Niagara River; it is a beautiful spot. Her 29-year-old daughter is married, lives in Sweden and is in a doctoral program at the University of Gutenberg. Karen visits annually and they spent Christmas together in Mexico. Janet Hatley wrote that all is well in Sydney with fires out for the moment due to the much-needed rain and cooler weather. She and her husband had a 17-week holiday starting in Hawaii and ending in Istanbul, including a six-week stay in Canada visiting family and friends. A few days were spent at Hope Thomson Haynes's summer home on Lake Joseph with Jane Hall Bousfield, Jude Mills Hatley, Liz Langstaff Ord, Diana (Deedi) Ward and Gail (Lydia) Spencer. Janet also spent time with Cathy Rigg Cushing and Elizabeth (Lee) Thorp. All are well.

Charmaine Jones and Linda hosted a great family reunion week at their island home. Their daughter (from B.C.) and son (from AUS) were able to come along with the five little grands. Charmaine's sisters, their children, Linda's one sister and her partner joined too. Charmaine and Linda went birdwatching in their travel trailer along the coast of Texas and up the Rio Grande with a destination of the Odyssey 20th reunion world bike trip 2000 group in Kingsland, Texas. **Linda Leader Lownds** lost her husky Shawnee in July and tried to do life without a dog. She survived the winter by dog-sitting and walking, but now has her own 10-year-old retired sled dog, Hola, a lovely dog who enjoys howling and seems to have embraced her new life. **Sonia Stratton Ryerson** and Paul planned to drive across Canada this summer, heading up to the Yukon after a visit with daughter Lindsay in Edmonton and then returning via Haida Gwaii and the sunshine coast in B.C.

CLASS OF 1967 ENDOWMENT | \$9,595 TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 |

Andrea Young Bernier and her husband have enjoyed a good year in terms of health and family. They holiday in Spain and the Canaries until late March, a great escape from winter in Ottawa. When Andrea submitted news in early March, she commented that travelling during the time of COVID-19 is "somewhat stressful, even if in theory, we are not in any danger." How circumstances escalated in only a few weeks! Jane Stevens Westlake is very glad to have taken a family Caribbean holiday in November of 2019 when a cruise could be enjoyed without concern. She is now in self-isolation, and her cherished routine of volunteering at Sunnybrook and celebrating family, friends and two granddaughters is temporarily suspended.

Many of us will remember **Dianne Easton McIntyre** from Miss Holmes's Grade 1 class. Dianne sadly passed away in late 2019. Candice Carlise Cassils, **Candy Craig Holmes** and **Sue Counsell (Siri Dharma Khalsa)** related memories of Di's joie de vivre and love of all things equestrian. She was a classmate, mother, grandmother and highly-skilled rider. We are going to miss her.

DEATHS

Dianne Easton McIntyre



Linda Leader Lownds 1967 with her retired sled dog, Hola.

CLASS OF 1968 ENDOWMENT TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$11,341

CLASS OF 1968

CLASS REPS: Victoria (Vicky) Dunbar Koudstaal and Rosemary Taylor McIntosh

Anita Fallis Taylor shares that Vicky Dunbar Koudstaal and her husband Erik attended her youngest son's wedding in Toronto in 2019. She and John drive to New York City every six weeks to visit their little grandson Jack, who became a big brother in June. All happy things indeed! Wendy Plummer Hinde and Mel were in Florida for the winter. They had a wonderful trip to Ireland, Scotland and England in the fall; fell in love with Ireland and strangely enough picked up an accent while there. Maybe it was the Irish whiskey? They went on a great cruise to the Caribbean in February just before the real virus scare started. Gail Hunnisett Thomsen was able to get to her home in Cape Coral, Florida in February. She has now been declared "cancer free" and is hoping to remain that way. Ellen Sue (Susie) Feldman Goldberg planned to go to San Francisco at the end of March, then to Florida in April with Kelly and her grandsons. Gail and Jeff were planning a trip to Washington with their grandsons in May.

Rosemary Taylor McIntosh and John are in Florida. They now have four grandkids, three boys and a sweet new granddaughter. The older boys are into hockey, and the two little ones are busy. All are happy and healthy. **Simone Creed** lost her Mom in February. She had a wonderful, beautiful life with her husband of 67 years and passed away peacefully at 91. How lucky was Simone to have her for so long? She misses her. Her daughter Samantha had a baby girl and named her Baby Edie after Simone's late Mom. See the photo of her with big brother, Malcolm Creed Orley. Circle of life.

Christine Adamson Norman and Richard are healthy, as are their children. They sail every weekend, and Christine finally decided to retire and could not be happier! She has started a satisfying business, Paws4Grief, counselling folks who have lost their pets. Last year they went to Africa, on a safari to Kruger Park and went to Dubai and London, England. They go to Cabo San Lucas every Christmas. **Betsy Sumner** is happy to say that both she and Frank are well after moving to Horseshoe Valley after many years on the farm north of Newmarket. They soaked up the sun in Ft. Myers. Vicky Dunbar Koudstaal and Erik are healthy, happy and now officially live in a multigenerational household. Their son Mark lives with them, as well as his fouryear-old daughter Iris, 50% of the time. There's never a dull moment. lots of running down the hallways and zooming around on scooters. They are planning to visit Erik's brother in Indonesia either this fall or next spring... watching the spread of the virus before taking the leap.

Andrea Robarts reports that her life since seeing everyone at the 50th Reunion has been a great voyage. She is simply incredibly happy to wake up each day and embrace the precious moments before her. She loves retirement and celebrates having time to enjoy the activities she likes best: the quiet time



Edie, the granddaughter of Simone Creed 1968, with her big brother Malcolm Creed Orley.



Vicky Dunbar Koudstaal 1968's granddaughter Iris.

when she is free to imagine, cogitate, create and sail into worlds far away. She loves curling up in her wee library and reading to her heart's content. What extraordinary freedom! What luxury! What a gift!

DEATHS

Stephanie Mills McCullam

CLASS OF 1969 ~ 50th Reunion

CLASS OF 1969 ENDOWMENT TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$33,550



The Class of 1969 celebrated its 50th Reunion last fall.

CLASS REPS: Sandra (Sandy) Riddell Marshall and Carolyn Wilkie Hill

Our graduating class had a wonderful 50th Reunion in September. On Saturday evening, we celebrated at a cocktail party in Brenda Robson Hall with the other classes that were also having an official reunion year. We reconnected over drinks and delicious hors d'oeuvres. Some of us had come from as far away as Massachusetts (Alex Thun Frazee), Vancouver (Margie Wright Knox), La Malbaie, Quebec (Elizabeth Maunsell 1968), and Florida/ Nassau (Andrya Solomon Schulte).

Following the cocktails, many of us met for dinner at **Kathy McCain**'s beautiful home (thank you so much, Kathy). Because it was a milestone anniversary, we were invited on Sunday for a luncheon in the Ellen Knox Library, hosted by Havergal principal Catherine Misson and joined by two favourite teachers, Miss Robson and Miss Ratcliffe

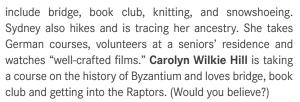
(Ratty). Havergal has a wonderful chef! There was also a tour of the boarders' area and a memorial service for Miss De Freitas, who was one of our most beloved teachers. **Sydney Hedderich** documented the weekend by putting her pictures on flickr.com/gp/shedderich/6sva8c. There, you can get a good idea of what Havergal looks like now. Just look at us!

Many of our class are retired or partially retired, so we are now invested in finding the best way to enjoy ourselves. Travelling and spending time with grandchildren seem to top our activities. **Veronica Kerney Cowling** travels extensively with her husband on behalf of the Queen's Own Rifles and has an enormous family of children, grandchildren, step-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren. Class of 1969 exotic travel destinations include Australia and New Zealand (**Wendy Evans**), the Middle East (**Joan Doran Innes**), Ireland (Joan Doran, **Debbie Casey, Gillian** Duder Huntley, Sandy Riddel Marshall), European river cruises (Jane Aird, Ann Woodland), Lisbon (Diana Steele Ellingham), Germany (Diana Koester Voswinkel), Italy (Janet Baillie MacPhee), Salzberg (Ann Woodland and Marianne Oundjian), Barbados (Sandy Riddel Marshall) and Croatia (Carolyn Wilkie Hill). Our classmates have also enjoyed travel within Canada.... Newfoundland, PEI, Québec City, Montebello, Nova Scotia, Vancouver Island. It is wonderful that many of our class still stay in touch with each other and make plans to get together regularly. And of course, the 50th Reunion got many of us travelling to Toronto.

As for our leisure activities – they are as diverse as we are. Alex Thun Frazee spends timing gardening and boating. Andrya Soloman Shulte, Wendy Evans and Joan Doran play golf. Wendy is also a tennis player. Nicole le Riche enjoys reading and theatre, particularly at Stratford, London and Niagara-on-the-Lake. Janet Baillie McPhee's activities



Class of 1969 classmates Marianne Oundjian, Nicole leRiche, Carolyn Wilkie Hill and Joan Doran Innes at their 50th Reunion.



Diana Steele Ellingham enjoys sailing, wine and dinner club and music. **Sandy Riddel Marshall** enjoys live theatre in Ottawa. It seems that many of us are avid readers – Miss Muckle would be so proud! And let's not forget everyone's favourite activity – lunching with friends!!!

DEATHS

Lynnie Hancock Temple



Class of 1969 classmates Suzanne Park, Nicole leRiche, Elizabeth Maunsell, Wendy Evans, Joan Doran Innes, Margie Wright Knox, Jane Aird Blackmore, Gillian Duder Huntley, Sandy Riddel Marshall at their 50th Reunion.



Nicole leRiche (back), Sue Inch Nicholson, Gillian Duder Huntley, Joan Doran Innes, Diane Steele Ellingham, Evanne Casson, Sandy Riddell Marshall, Andrya Solomon Schulte, all Class of 1969, at their 50th Reunion.



Helen Sinclair, Mary Ann Evans Turnbull, Gillian Duder Huntley, Carolyn Wilkie Hill, Debbie Casey, Diana Steele EllinghamandJoan Doran Innes, all Class of 1969, at a weekend in St. Catharine's.

CLASS REPS: Margaret (Margie) Ryrie Pacini and Jane Robinson

Philippa Samworth is still working. She travelled to Portugal and, with her daughter, went cross-country horseback riding in Ireland. Laurie Vanderburgh travelled to Philadelphia with Philippa last year, and they are planning a trip to New Brunswick. When not visiting grandchildren in New Zealand and B.C., Muriel Smith Jarvis organizes other older women to walk, hike and stay fit. Sally Flatt Brown spent 11 days in Jamaica with her family and later travelled to various Caribbean islands. She volunteers in Port Hope for victims of violence. She often visits with Beth Hillary McEwen and Averill Ambrose. Beth travelled to B.C. and England, went canoe-camping in Algonquin Park and spent a month in Australia and New Zealand. She volunteers at the Geological Survey of Canada. Averill has travelled with Beth, volunteers at an animal shelter and sings with the Sweet Adelines.

Shelagh Tippett-Fagyas travelled around Europe for six weeks and later took a cruise on the Douro River. Kate Palmer Wilkinson sings in the Dalhousie choir, works for the medical school and volunteers on the NDP's Halifax Citadel/Sable Island riding committee. Carole Rubin knits and has provided toques and scarves for people who use the local food bank. Sybil Patterson Reburn went to an "amazing Camp Wapomeo reunion" with Ninkey Adamson Dalton-Eglee and Carolyn Pirrie St-Pierre. Carolyn and her husband bought a trailer in 2017 and have travelled all over. This summer, they were planning to go to P.E.I. She and Sybil are in touch with Susan (Sue) Rutherford de Duran via Facebook. Valerie (Val) McLeod McRae moved from Lakefield to Peterborough. They spent time biking and barging in Germany and had planned a trip to South Africa for the spring. She volunteers at the Canadian Canoe Museum as well as the Peterborough Regional Hospital Foundation. Leslie Jennings took a 20-day vacation in Spain and plans a trip to Ireland. Virginia (Ginnie) Welsman lives in California and has discovered that scuba diving is great for exploring the world underwater. Her travels have included Ireland, Scotland and the southwest national parks of the U.S. Deborah Scott has a yoga practice and is preparing for a teacher training program. She travels extensively with her husband. She volunteers with the Children's Museum in Buffalo and a small organization that rescues draft horses.

Jane Andrews Sloggett recently retired and is enjoying more time with her grandsons and catching up with "old" friends. After six years of searching, Jill Bennett has found the perfect spot to retire: on a lake in northern B.C., where they will build an environmentally-conscious round home. Patricia (Patti) Sheppard Ebright had planned an Alaskan cruise for July and to spend some time in Vancouver. Rosamund (Ros) Morley Storr continues performing and teaching. Travelling so much is getting tiresome, and they are considering retiring and moving. Margaret (Margie) Ryrie Pacini decided to step away from the National Ballet of Canada. Her son Jamie was married in October. The even bigger news is that her husband Peter is now two years cancer-free. Jane Robinson spent a week at her "go-to" hotel in St. Lucia last December. She volunteers on several neighbourhood committees with many of the major development projects in a two-block radius of her condominium. The most exciting project is the Port Lands Flood Protection project to the south of her neighbourhood.

Margie and Jane and our great Reunion team look forward to seeing you all for our 50th! Due to COVID-19, Reunion Weekend has been shifted to May 29 and 30, 2021.

CLASS OF 1970 ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$55,384

CLASS REPS: Judy Betteridge Haust and Elizabeth White

How does our class relax, decompress and find fulfillment? Many, such as Wendy Horne Rutherford, do this by enjoying grandchildren and travelling. Janet (Jan) Redfern **Beddoe** chooses yoga, kayaking, cooking, quilting, family Sunday dinners and screen-free summers at Go Home Bay. Mimi Andresen Gray and Bob had a winter adventure in sunny Spain. Pamela (Pam) Smith Poole enjoys cottaging, skiing and volunteering with the London Track 3 ski school for kids and young adults with disabilities. Leslie Thomas appreciates photography and enjoys trips centred around art history. For Anne Menzel Larson, life is mellow - travelling, golf, hiking, volunteering, reading, playing mahjong - but only if she stays away from U.S. politics, which makes her crazy! Margaret (Margie) Cowan Shannon loves life in Oxford, doing volunteer work, book club, Pilates, country walks, receiving old friends (Laurie Hayhurst Cruess and Alan last December). She had been looking forward to her daughter's summer wedding in France and a fall reunion with Neuchatel classmates in Switzerland.

For Gillian Anderson, relaxing means gardening and baking special cakes! Susan Meech finds that mindfulness keeps her grounded. She writes song lyrics for her sister Joy and acts, dances and performs with a ukulele band. Susan Manchee feeds her soul by getting outdoors daily and into the wilderness often, spending winters in Colorado and summers in Atlin, B.C. She looked forward to connecting with Heather Kitchen in Alberta. For Deborah (Debbie) Morris, it's connecting with her daughter, family and friends. Ann Robertson has been enjoying renovating their older home. She maintained a sense of humour throughout her husband's wrist injury after an icy slip! Anne Gibson, now a step-great-grandmother of four, is chilling after 33 years at the Toronto Public Library. **Judith (Judy) Langmuir** finds joy in her private practice, Balanced, and has fallen in love with golf. **Patricia King-Edwards**, when not working as a freelance editor, unwinds with online Scrabble, saunas and good soaks in a hot tub.

Lally West Hood and Rob were spending two sunny months in Costa Rica before splitting the remaining 10 between Toronto and Bala, enjoying family. Nancy Wright Bark enjoys getting together with old friends and has learned to "let it go!" For Elizabeth White, relaxation and cottage are synonymous! Judy Betteridge Haust creates photo chronicles based on family, friends and travel. The prize for imagery goes to Susan Robinson Bell, who "dances with abandon, belly laughs, animates fantastically incredulous stories, splashes mischievously in puddles..." before doing helicopter-leaps into her feathery bed and travelling deep into Never Never Land!

It's time to break it to you that next year, the Class of 1971 will become Cinquantenaires! What better way to accept being *50 Years On* than by getting together with good old friends! We'll be remembering **Carol Sinclair Leier**, who passed away in January. Already, some of you have offered help or even to host our Reunion, so we're looking forward to having as much fun planning as we will when it all comes together in 2021!

DEATHS

Carol Sinclair Leier

Editor's note: Last year, we mistakenly attributed Susan Meech's news to Susan Manchee when we reported on the unexpected deaths of Susan's mother and brother. We extend our sympathies along with our sincere apology for this very regrettable error.

CLASS OF 1972 ARCHIVES ENDOWMENT | \$55,272

CLASS REP: Márta Ecsedi

Kathy Anderson had her right knee replaced in September 2017. In March, while skiing, she tore the medial collateral ligament (MCL) of the same knee before leaving on a Caribbean cruise the next day. In February 2019, she fractured her tibia plateau while skiing in Italy. The full leg brace and crutches did not prevent her from going to New Orleans and on a cruise to Belize in April to celebrate turning 65 with Jennifer Powell Coulter. In October 2019, her other knee was replaced in time to go to Mexico in January and skiing in Switzerland in March.

Barbara (Barb) Baines reports that she is retired and happy and got married in October to a wonderful lady. Nancy Goodwin Berry and Andre enjoyed a trip of a lifetime to Australia and New Zealand. William Lake received \$25K in federal funding to renovate our log community hall. Scott joined the Canadian Armed Forces. Adelle received her diploma in youth counselling and is now upgrading her art courses. Harriet Peckham Binkley reports that both Andrew and Clarissa are working in California for Canadian firms. Diane (Di) Crawford Gregg still works with her husband in their travel agency in Burlington. Di took a trip out to Vancouver in November to re-connect with Judy Fletcher Ray - a wonderful reunion! Louise Park McMillan has a new granddaughter. Her third daughter gets married in June 2021 and she writes: "I do think I'm having a Jane Austen/ Mrs. Bennet epiphany as 'it is universally accepted that' marrying off three daughters in three years is quite a coup." Nancy Alexander Stewart had a busy and fun year. She took on a full-time learning and development project with

CIBC for the first six months. She spent more time at their cottage on Lake Huron over the summer. Her son Fraser married his sweetheart of 12 years. In the fall, she took a wonderful trip to France and travelled with her daughter Emily to Switzerland, Barcelona, Porto and London.

Sharon Davis Tanner's busy year kicked off with total ankle replacement surgery. Her son James was married in Florence. Her oldest daughter Stephanie became engaged on the Amalfi Coast portion of her trip. She and David were looking forward to a trip to New Orleans in May. Márta Ecsedi's news: I am very involved in climate change initiatives and a few volunteer committees. John is enjoying retirement and is a huge help when I'm too busy to shop or do stuff around the house. We are enjoying our grandchildren, Darren (11) and Ian (8), taking them bowling and to movies. Their mother, Laura, was promoted to VP-Operations, and Jeff is still enjoying being a grade eight teacher. They went on a family trip to N.Y.C. for Laura's 40th. Eric got his automotive technician's license and moved to BMW from a small shop. He moved out two years ago; we are empty nesters now.

Please mark your calendars for our 50th Reunion in 2022.

MARRIAGES

Barbara Baines

CLASS OF 1973 ENDOWMENT | \$10,139

CLASS REPS: Lolly Gillen and Shelagh Speers

Apologies to **Merrill Pote**, who's not in Massachusetts as reported last year, but in Toronto, where she enjoys badminton and Zumba and manages her badminton club's website. She tried pickleball, but badminton won! **Mary Lou Sherman** is planning a hiking holiday in Scotland and a Maritimes road trip. She takes courses at U of T, without exams! **Lynn Plummer Morse** enjoyed Florida this winter with her husband Paul and skiing at Revelstoke with her son Pete. Her life is full of work, tennis, yoga and physical challenges with her husband.

Lolly Gillen, Squash Canada's international delegate to the World Squash Federation, was elected secretary-general of the Pan-American Squash Federation in Lima, Peru. As cofounder of the Canadian Inclusivity Squash Program, Lolly was in St. John's, N.L., for its first tournament and caught up with Elizabeth (Liz) Belshaw Jenkins. Liz and her husband Bill survived eight days of Snowmageddon 2020– the longest they've spent face-to-face! Liz works part-time and runs a non-stigmatizing school lunch program. Both of their sons and their handsome two-year-old grandson live in Ontario.

Carroll Nicholls Baker and her husband Ted reclaimed their Oakville house after 18 months cohabiting with kids and grandkids. After wintering in Florida, they're considering New Zealand or Australia next year. In Ottawa, **Sara (Sally) Southey** enjoys a mix of work, travel, exercise, volunteering, time at Blue Sea Lake, family and friends. She enjoyed coffee with **Janet Frost** in Ottawa and encountering **Lynn Plummer Morse** at the well in Messines, QC!

Beverley (Bev) Davies-Fraser raises and trains beagles in Red Deer, AB, and will judge the sweepstakes at the National Beagle Club of America's 50th-anniversary specialty in Ohio in September. She caught up with roommates **Susan Rankin Golding** and **Gwen Barker Benjamin**, both doing well and still working. Gwen and Bev both have grandchildren; Bev's three are in Nashville, TN.

Janet (Jan) Davies runs her P.E.I. Airbnb (JAnaB Log Cabin) for half the year, sharing the peace and beauty with guests. Then she's in Mérida, Mexico, learning Spanish and enjoying yoga and Pilates. Summer visits with Janet Frost and her sister are a joy. Janet and her husband Brian are expecting their first grandchild in June. Now cancer-free, Janet is working on her fitness in anticipation of Nana-hood.

Settling into her N.S. farm, with renovations nearing completion, **Mairy Lloyd Merkley** hosted a wolf-coyote, a big buck, a grey owl and two bald eagles in the fields behind her farmhouse this fall. At the time of writing, Mairy was in northern Portugal on the Atlantic coast, enjoying the huge surf.

Anne Grosskurth and her husband Julian love living in London, U.K. Thanks to medication and early retirement, her M.S. remains stable. Their two sons live in Brisbane and Oxford: no grandchildren yet! A yoga addict, Anne takes art history courses, volunteers at her local hospital and campaigns for low-cost London housing.

In south Florida, **Shelagh Speers** and her husband Greg are into tropical gardening at their new house in Cutler Bay. Still working in publishing, Shelagh's a regular at Pilates and sings with Greg in two choirs. They enjoyed a Muskoka holiday with family last summer and love having visitors, especially their daughter, Laura, from N.Y.

DEATHS

Margot Crockett

CLASS OF 1974 ~ 45th Reunion

CLASS OF 1974 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$106,645



The Class of 1974 celebrated its 45th Reunion last fall. From left to right, starting with the front row: Cathy Robinson Clark, Lynn Wright McAllister, Tricia Ralph, Gail Sinclair, Jeanne Shemilt Krent, Liz Rudd Bauer, Cynthia Kane Quigley, Carla Hayes. Second row: Kelly Scott, Jane Pickup Newlands, Patty Dakin Simpson, Cathy Kennedy, Alwyn Robertson, Christine Townley Corolis, Betsy Mills. Third row: Ginnie Grand Wright, Susie Wright Gooderham, Laurie Goad, Kathy Vernon Martin, Gil O'Reilly. Back row: Mary Bull, Jennifer Tory, Liz Saunders.

CLASS REPS: Catherine (Cathy) Robinson Clark and Jennifer Carter

Special thanks to **Catherine (Kathy) Martin** and **Susan** (**Susie**) **Wright Gooderham** for coordinating our 45th Reunion. Judith (Judy) Davidson Whitehead arrived from Nassau with Alannah Campbell Kearns in time to join us for dinner. At the Miller Tavern, we had two special presentations. **Gail Sinclair** recounted some of the insights she has gained as **Janet Ritch**'s executor. They were all about Janet's support of Indigenous people and her writing. **Catherine (Cathy) Kennedy** enlightened us on the wonderful dance career of **Laurie McLeod** as well as her love for her young son.

Kathy Martin's second grandchild, Fred, was born in

January 2019, and her son Taylor married Jordan Booth in Squamish, B.C. in July. She and Bob had plans to cycle in Croatia in May. They were to return via Paris after a visit with her sister, Sue Vernon Pellerin 1980. **Elizabeth** (Liz) Saunders has a new granddaughter Leah Melissa, born January 10. Her daughter Olivia now works with her and is taking the business in new directions. Gillian (Gil) O'Reilly is chair of Telling Tales, Canada's only all children's book festival, and plans to finish several writing projects. She and Tony took a trip to Ireland and Northern Ireland; she was delighted to discover that the ghost that haunted her ancestor's church (and caused his death) is still around, but now safely in a jar! Cynthia Kane Ouigley has officially retired.



Class of 1974 classmates Judy Davidson Whitehead and Alannah Campbell Kearns arrived in time to join their class for their 45th Reunion dinner.

Kelly Scott is retiring in June after working in early years education in various forms since forever! Her bucket list includes training to be a preemie nurturer in a NICU; volunteering with the Ontario Archeologist society, Food for Life, the Santa Claus fund and dog walking for the humane society; as well as swimming, yoga, biking and hiking. Training to be a birthing doula may happen in April. She also wants to reinvigorate friendships. Her daughter Alannah will finally tie the knot in October 2021 in Nova Scotia after 10 years with her man and two children.

Jennifer Tory received the Order of Canada in December for her commitment to advancing women and minorities in the banking industry and her extensive community work. She retired from the Royal Bank in December. Her daughter Dr. Elizabeth Mingay 2003 was married last August, and her other daughter Dr. Alex Mingay 2008 is getting married this year. Catherine (Cathy) Robinson Clark's two sons followed through with their weddings last summer. Her older son Michael, an urban planner, married Elanna Foster, a piano teacher. Her younger son Graham, a management consultant, married Lesley Tulipano, who's with Junior Achievement. Vivian Blechingberg Sichel has worked at the Tampa hospital for 13 years, taking care of the Spanish community's needs. Her 96-year-old Mom has been living with her for two years. Her daughter Annelisa was voted one of the top women in public relations. Her sons Michael and Dennis and husband Steve are doing well.

DEATHS

Laurie McLeod

CLASS OF 1975

CLASS OF 1975 ENDOWMENT TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$26,264

CLASS REPS: Edwina Dick Stoate and Erica Benson

Travel, family weddings and grandchildren seem to be our common themes this year, with hopes that plans are not unduly impacted by the multiple crises gripping our world these days. **Anne Jarrett Vernon** and her husband Rick are enjoying life in Paris, Ontario and awaiting their first grandchild this September. **Lani Schmidt Lorenz** had a great lunch last fall with Anne Fraser Hinton 1971 and **Sarah Fraser**. Lani is trying to cut back on work to accommodate more travelling, including a big trip to Scotland and England, and more time with her grandsons. **Judith Floras Rance**'s daughter was married last summer – congratulations. **Jennifer Stutz Flexton** is still living in a picturesque English village with a new puppy and flowers worthy of a garden show. She and her family travel to Naples each winter to enjoy the beach and golf.

Margot Daly Baker loves her life as a "travelling fool." Recent destinations include Botswana, Namibia, South Africa, Sardinia, Malta and Crete. Edwina Dick Stoate is trying to catch up to Margot's list of destinations as she plans to visit Morocco, the seven Balkan countries in the former Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Albania this year. Edwina also is thankful to Miss De Freitas, who taught her to sew more than 50 years ago; she loves to spend time making clothes for her granddaughter. Several of us attended the wonderful memorial service for Miss De Freitas at the school last fall, including a few classmates who sang in the Old Girls' choir. Barbara Gray is retired and waiting for her husband to do the same so they can do more hiking and biking in the summer and Nordic skiing and curling in the winter. Their three sons are scattered, giving them lots of opportunities to travel: the youngest works in Toronto, the middle in Fernie, B.C. and the eldest is studying in the U.K.

Anne Livingston Murray continues to work out of choice with a national program to reduce stress and anxiety in children and youth and supporting families that have children with disabilities. In the past year, she and her husband became devoted owners of a new Sheltie pup and expanded their family with a daughter-in-law. Anne was planning some hiking this spring in Zion and Bryce while the old body can do so! **Gwyn Rew Grant** keeps busy with her work managing electronic medical records for three hospitals in the New York suburbs, renovating her house in Greenwich, CT and spoiling her two step-grandsons. She would love to catch up with anyone travelling through the N.Y.C. area. **Melody Klassen** loves retirement, which gives her time to work on her memoir, play the harp and enjoy her two granddaughters. She looks forward to a fall cruise to Ireland and Iceland. Joanne Hemmant Strecker has moved to and is busy renovating an 1888 home in Guelph that reminds her of an English cottage and garden. Clela Errington continues to perform occasionally. She was a guest of the York Harmony Chorus for their annual Christmas concert, where Kimberley (Kim) Cook Stokes is a member. Clela's daughter is following in her mother's footsteps with the launch of her first solo album this summer. Clela also travels regularly to Brockville to visit her 89-year-old mother, Sallee (Lewie) Lewis Rymal 1949, another Havergal Old Girl!

Happily, we have connected and reconnected with many of our classmates this spring as so many of us are staying close to home. It certainly doesn't feel (and for sure doesn't look!) like it's been 45 years since we graduated. I know we all look forward to our Reunion when we can catch up in person. Due to COVID-19, Reunion Weekend has been shifted to May 29 and 30, 2021.

CLASS OF 1976

CLASS REPS: Christine Lautenschlaeger Acconcia and Kathryn (Kathy) Thom

It has been said that retirement is not the end of the road but the beginning of the open highway, so let's look at those of you who are finding fulfillment in new areas of interest, having recently retired. **Claudine Dumas** spends winters in Florida and has developed a passion for gardening when home. **Anne Warnica** still plays handbells at church and has rediscovered knitting. **Judith (Judy) Mitchell Carlton** spends time with her granddaughter, walks her dog, reads, gardens and travels. **Mary Rusz** is preparing a primer on architecture for young design students and enjoys watercolour painting and travel. **Pat (Patti) Anderson Emsley** travels and keeps us entertained with her adventures on Facebook, and **Katherine (Kathy) Thom** is filling in some of her newfound time with a new puppy.

When she isn't upcycling furniture, **Lisa Nash** tutors students in English and is working on perfecting her French; she hopes to travel in France in the future. Back in the working world, **Cynthia Caldwell** enjoys "glamping," continues to work with seniors on simple fitness and CLASS OF 1976 "STILL IN OUR HEARTS" BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 | \$45,796

nutrition alternatives and finds new uses for slightly-loved items by bundling them up in humanitarian packages and sending them to those less fortunate. Danny Klempfner is about to launch a new company in commercial real estate to energize her between trips to two of her favourite destinations, the French Riviera and Grand Cayman. Nora Underwood remains a freelance writer but is also a selfprofessed workaholic and Pilates-aholic. She enjoys pottery making. Gillian Luczka Amara returned to work after raising her children and loves the time she spends in her urban garden. Lisa Kimball has become an RVer, travelling to regional parks in her cabin-on-wheels, "Minerva," to enjoy hiking, cycling and campfires. Deborah (Debbie) Winspear Allan finished rebuilding a family property on Vancouver Island. She finds her new hobby of bridge to be so interesting that she and her husband now get involved in tournaments. Deborah (Debbie) Reid is still potscaping and is an avid birder, so she has begun to rescue birds for FLAP.

Gardening has captured the imagination of many of us. **Martha Shemilt** is evolving her gardens to support birds, bees and butterflies. She takes road trips with her daughter and when at home, enjoys yoga and tai chi. **Leslie Omstead** shares an interest in both of those exercise forms but also loves spending time with her children, grandchildren, mum and friends. Acupuncture, massage and drinking wine are other tried and true relaxation practices. **Katherine (Kathy) Cooke Gallaher** is having a blast singing in a local choir, which performs popular songs at fairs, community and corporate events. They were booked by Paramount Pictures to sing Elton John songs in Melbourne's city centre to promote the opening of Rocketman. **Christine Lautenschlager Acconcia** loves spending time with her three grandbabies, looks after her ageing father, volunteers at Sunnybrook Hospital, teaches yoga twice a week and meditates in her garden and hot tub. Namaste from both of us, to all of you!

CLASS OF 1977

CLASS REPS: Jill Adamson Mallory and Nancy (Nan) Laine Dunlop

A big hello to the Class of 1977. It appears that none of you are slowing down, and you are all maintaining busy lives. Many of you are still working, some retiring, travelling, skiing, boating, hiking, singing, playing tennis, doing charitable work, parenting and grandparenting. Most of this we know through word of mouth and Facebook, as most of you are too busy to send in news :). Maybe next year?

Robyn Kitchen Beattie continues to be an active downhill skier, hiker and biker. She will be enjoying time with her new grandson Everett Cooper who was born on February 29th, 2020. A leap year baby!

Nancy (Nan) Laine Dunlop keeps busy selling real estate and arranging mortgages in Muskoka. She spent February in Costa Rica and had a fabulous time. All renovations to her 150-year-old farmhouse were put on hold in October when two baby granddaughters and their Mom moved in. Nan is always looking forward to her next holiday or weekend getaway with Tracy Gooding Roberts. Tracy still lives in Aurora and spends her summers on Lake Simcoe. She is keeping active, playing tennis almost every day. Nancy Drope is looking forward to becoming a grandmother in May. She continues to build her small business empowering men and women through self-care practices with the tools of yoga, oracle cards and astrology. Nancy said she found that her passion was innate and seemed to have started at Havergal as boarder captain. Colette Baron-Reid, "The Queen of Oracle Cards," has been instrumental in

Nancy's evolution. Nancy messaged that 2020 would prove to be a year of coming home to ourselves as we keep a neutral mind in the seeming chaos. She is happy to host any of us for a retreat.

CLASS OF 1977 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$16,019

Jill Adamson Mallory is semi-retired and really enjoys spending more time with her grandchildren and friends. She and her husband Steve have been involved in a musical fundraising campaign for several years with Gain Canada. To date, they have funded the digging of 15 water wells in Africa, providing clean drinking water for 20,000 people. **Janet (Jan) Andrews Varner** is enjoying retirement in their winter beach home in Belize. They actively enjoy the beautiful natural setting complete with birds, iguanas, marine life and canine friends. In the summer, they change locations to their home in Ramea, Newfoundland.

Janet Williamson Forman is writing the sixth book in her Lee Smith series of mystery novels, slated for publication in September 2021. She is assisting her son with his plans to walk across Canada to raise money for research into treatments and cures for blinding eye disease. She is profiled on page 18. Susan (Sue) Wansbrough is a vice-principal in Keswick. She enjoys living in Eastbourne on the shores of Lake Simcoe, where the Wansbrough and Lawrence families grew up cottaging.

Hope we receive more news next year. Wishing you all a happy and healthy 2020.

CLASS REPS: Tatiana Jaciw Kowryga and Eden Oliver Many wonderful re-connections were made at our Reunion last year.

Kirsten (Kirsti) Walli has been busy travelling since her recent retirement from the OEB. Susan Reid, Jennifer (Jenny) Goad and Eden Oliver were pleased to sing together with other previous choir members at Old Girl Prayers and Miss De Freitas's memorial service. We are grateful for our training at the hands of Mrs. Muir! Gillian (Gill) Hawker is busy with her work as Chief of Medicine at UHN. She lost her mother this winter. We send our condolences. Brenda Morrow Barry is busy travelling and enjoys golf and her grandchildren. Susan Smithyes **Benson** has a busy real estate practice with her husband Mark in Muskoka and the Kawarthas. Toni Addison Dixon continues to excel in barrel racing, continues her work with the Calgary Stampede Board and enjoys her granddaughter.

Claire Bull uses her artistic talent to produce exquisite paintings and translates them into an online fashion business. Claire is grateful for her peaceful, calm life. Although pain management seems to be her job lately, she has lovely positive support and the company of a huge network of women. Working on art to give back is a key element for Claire, including knitting for veterans and hospices. Claire sends her best wishes to all! View her work at clairebullgallery.com or clairebull.com.

As they prepared to submit this news, Theresa Sherwood Karakatsanis, Pamela (Pam) Marshall Clarke and Judith (Judy) McLean Goddard were enjoying the Florida sunshine together. Last summer, they had a

wonderful reunion at a cottage on Lake Joseph. The rental was arranged by the best real estate agent in the area: none other than our own classmate, Susan Smithyes Benson. Stephanie Hunt, Nancy Tregunno Berkhout, Margaret Sinyard Mayhew, Victoria (Vicki) Brophy Clarke, Theresa Sherwood Karakatsanis, Kathryn Hendrickson Guitard and Susan (Sue) Gillespie Nicholas all joined them. A good time was had by all! Brenda Morrow Barry also dropped in one night. After an eventful stay, they topped it off by joining their voices to sing in the ad hoc choir at a church in Windermere, all the while reminiscing that Mrs. Muir would have been proud.

CLASS OF 1978 BURSARY

CLASS OF 1978 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$53,897

Kathryn (Kathy) Caldwell and her husband Rob purchased the family home on the St. Lawrence built by her grandfather as a wedding gift for her parents. They are enjoying their retirement, waking up to the wonderful views of the river while taking care of her mother's 13-year-old yellow lab Brig. Kathy is dabbling in supplyteaching. Her daughter Eleanor is finishing up an athletic therapy program and recently became engaged. Carol Welsman is in the middle of a Kickstarter campaign for a new Latin Jazz Album recording project. The release date is June 19, 2020.

Julia Stanley Weaver has a new love in her life – curling! She started curling once a week a few years ago in a mixed social league with her husband, and now she is curling in three women's leagues as well. From October through April, she can be found with broom in hand, slider on foot, ready to fly across the ice.

Warmest of regards to all!



Margaret Sinyard Mayhew, Stephanie Hunt, Vicki Brophy Clarke, Judy McLean Goddard, Pamela Marshall Clarke, Theresa Sherwood Karakatsanis, Susan Smithyes Benson, Susan Gillespie Nicholas, Brenda Barry Morrow and Kathryn Hendrickson Guitard, all Class of 1978, had a wonderful reunion last summer.



1978 classmates on the pier in Muskoka.



Class of 1978 friends Theresa Sherwood Karakstanis, Pamela Marshall Clarke and Judy McLean Goddard at the poolside in Florida.



The Class of 1979 celebrated its 40th Reunion last fall.

CLASS REPS: Jane Cardarelli Devine and Sarah Sedgwick Parry

We had a wonderful 40th Reunion at **Susan (Susie) Eplett's.** More than 45 people attended, which is amazing! Thanks to all who came and all who helped. It was great to catch up with so many of our classmates after all these years. We all decided that we look the same!

Susan Willemsen has gone back to upgrade her wine credentials originally done when she lived in London in the 1980s. She just passed her WSET Level II (again) "with distinction" – a mark of 94. **Jill Thompson**, are you listening? She did her French Wine Certificate exam in March.

Jane Ross and her hubby planned to visit Beth Crosbie in her wonderful Newfoundland in June. She is still working and enjoying it and weaves in time during the week to do things like have breakfasts and lunch with many of you. She really enjoyed singing with the choir alumnae, including Susie Eplett and Victoria (Tory) Ross, at Miss De Freitas's memorial service the day after our reunion dinner.

Barbara (Barb) Callander continues to head up the operations excellence, Six Sigma and operations learning teams at Maple Leaf Foods. She joined the Havergal College

board of governors in 2019. Wildlife photography continues to be a passion, from Antarctica to the Arctic (penguins to polar bears). To see her amazing photos, follow her on Facebook.

Luisa Di Lorenzo has been appointed by the American Academy of Ophthalmology to be the secretariat representative for Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin and Illinois. She also represents the Michigan Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons for Medicare. She and her husband continue to travel; when this was written, they were on a New Zealand jaunt after having visited the Galapagos and Peru in November. They also play in a band for recreational reasons only. As her husband likes to say, "we are good enough for the basement, and we may be good enough for the living room in a few years."

In thrilling news, **Anne DesBrisay** became a granny in late 2019. Gus is a delightful little guy, other than his penchant for living 3,500 km away in Victoria. When Anne isn't sure how to behave as a grandmother, she consults **Katrina Symons Ayling**, who is a pro. **Deirdre Kelly** writes that after decades as a staff writer at the *Globe and Mail*, she is now editor of *The York University Magazine*.

CLASS OF 1980 ENDOWMENT |\$15,304

CLASS REPS: Pamela (Pam) Grogan Taylor and Sandra (Sandi) Meyrick

"Forty years on, growing older and wiser, Memories float on the wings of a song, Times with our friends, standing shoulder to shoulder, Hearkening back to the days we were young."

Doesn't it feel like yesterday that we were singing that song together and thinking that's a long way off? Well, we've arrived, and Sandi and I are hoping we get a great turnout at our Reunion to celebrate! This year, we asked how you relax, find fulfillment or decompress. Thank you for sharing.

Dini Byers Coen enjoys life with her husband Mike and their daughters, Gillian in Halifax and Alex in Mississauga. Dini celebrated 35 years working at Canada Life in Toronto. She enjoys playing piano and singing and had fun travelling down memory lane with the Old Girls choir at the celebration of life for Marcelle De Freitas. **Giselle Cole** visited family and friends in Ireland, the U.S., Mexico, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Quebec and Trinidad. She planned to meet friends from the Netherlands in Vegas this summer and then to Victoria to catch up with more friends. Next spring, she plans to play "mas" for the Trinidad and Tobago Carnival. Her Mom has been battling cancer with unwavering spirits.

Sadly, **Adrian Elliott** succumbed to cancer on May 14. Adrian never missed an opportunity to create a fun and cheerful environment for those around her, Adrian's annual street tea party being just one of many examples. Her life's work was to create happiness for her two daughters.

Jennifer (Jenny) Normand Wilmer and her husband Fergus are spending more time in Thailand and less in Hong Kong as they ease into semi-retirement. She plays tennis, sails, swims and hikes to relax. Her daughter Morgan works in H.K., and her son Cam is completing his engineering degree in San Diego. When Morgan visits, the highlight is riding on the beach, followed by a swim. She is back in Canada each summer to see family and her Mom, who is 96 now! Heather Ritchie Walton is moving home after 20 years in Dallas, TX. She has volunteered with the community food bank for 20 years and hopes to continue this work in Toronto. She loves golfing and skiing. Her eldest daughter Courtney is a doctor, her son Connor will graduate from law school in May, and her youngest is at the University of South Carolina with interests in the medical field. **Sally Moreland Sainsbury** is semi-retired from the horse industry but still teaches in the winter and designs courses in the summer. She and her husband Dave have an Airstream and plan to explore Canada with their two dogs. This glamping is perfect! She is sorry to miss the reunion.

For **Karen Johnson**'s family, winter stretches from October to May. Both kids ski race all over B.C. Her husband time-keeps while she coaches kids under 8, a way to decompress and escape from work. Her Mom, who skied until her mid-80s, passed away in 2019. **Janet Beale** pursues competitive shooting in full and small bore in her hometown of Sydney, Australia (see photo). Her 19-year-old son also competes, and she was proud when the Australian U21 team came home with a silver medal. She is a board

member for the Council on Ageing in N.S.W. She is an Australian Global Ambassador for the University of Waterloo. This year she has endured the drought, Sydney bush fires, a mini tornado and a dust storm! Thankfully her house was missed by the fires.



TeyCottingham&SerenaKeshavjeehad agreat visit last summer in

Sandra Beale 1980 receiving a competitive shooting award.

Montreal. Jane Greey Evans's third child is getting married, and her first grandson is arriving in April. Janet Reid took up spinning to increase her aerobic fitness. Her daughter Jill and her husband Andrew also spin. It has been two years since she lost her vibrant, athletic and wicked-smart Mom. Her family, with a team of dynamos, have submitted a funding proposal to Trillium to create a patient advocate program for people facing life-limiting illnesses.

Sandra (Sandi) Meyrick and her husband Mike's eldest son lives in L.A., developing a career in music. Their middle son graduated from lvey at Western and works in Toronto. Their youngest is completing his first year at Western. Sandi practises law in Toronto. They spend winter weekends at Craigleith in Collingwood and summer weekends on Lake Simcoe. Sandi has enjoyed reconnecting with many Old Girls through the Havergal Alumni Choir and encourages interested classmates. She hopes to see many classmates at our 40th Reunion in October. **Pam Grogan Taylor** lives in Calgary and unwinds by hiking, biking and snowshoeing surrounded by the beautiful Rocky Mountains. Sadly, she lost her dad, Dr. Dallas Grogan in early April, father to Pam, her sisters Lisa Grogan Green 1982 and Cheri Grogan 1985, and grandfather to Dallas, his namesake from the Class of 2017.

Sandi and Pam will be sending more details about the

reunion with an Evite invitation. They have also heard from Jacqueline Gravel Uchida, Susan Vernon Pellerin, Catherine Allman, Kim Turner Murphy and Jacquie Labatt-Randle, who will be coming to the reunion along with the classmates above.

DEATHS

Adrian Elliott Jane Skinner



Pam Grogan Taylor 1980, second in, with friends in the Rocky Mountains.



Serena Keshavjee 1980 and Tey Cottingham 1980 had a great visit last summer.



Jennifer Normand Wilmer 1980 riding on the beach.

CLASS OF 1981

CLASS OF 1981 CO-CURRICULAR FUND TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$153,014

CLASS REPS: Mary Metcalf Muir and Kathie Morris Wood

Glenys Babcock's 2019 highlight was her first trip too Mogadishu, Somalia, for peace research for the Pragmora Institute. **Ellie Ballentine Burke** will be an empty nester this July. She loves her coaching and facilitating business and stirring up trouble in Montreal with her best buddy **Barbara (Barbie) Eplett**. Barbie's daughter Caroline got married last September. **Robin Porter** was inspired to start painting again after visiting France. She is an avid spectator at her



Helen Godwin, Amy Vanderburgh and Judy Baggaley Savage, all Class of 1981, visited in Whistler last summer.

youngest son's lacrosse games but is looking forward to him graduating so that she will have more time for winter travel. Anyone visiting the Kingston area is always welcome at Robin's home.

Martha King's first grandchild, a little girl, was due in June 2020. Everyone is very excited. She is a chairperson for the Lawrence Park Art Show and is excited to be part of an initiative that raises money for their partner charities. She still sings in the church choir and loves it. **Catherine McGregor Orcutt** and her husband recently retired and are spending a lot of time in Naples, Florida. Her twins graduated last spring, one from Havergal and one from BSS. One of the twins is at Harvard, where she plays on their squash team. Her other two daughters are at Queen's and the University of Cambridge. **Mary Metcalf Muir** is doing a facilitators course through Bereavement Families of Ontario to help support individuals who have lost their spouses. She recently met a lovely man and is enjoying many weekends up in Collingwood.

Sarah Saunders has decided to step back slightly

from work so she can enjoy her daughter's final two years in high school and her son's visits home from first-year engineering. She devotes time to her community choir, her community projects and her yoga classes. **Lisa Thompson Freemantle** retired from teaching this past June. She keeps busy singing at local senior's residences, directing school and community choirs and playing pickleball. Her sons are working in N.Y.C., and her daughter is finishing her third degree. **Amy Vanderburgh** keeps in touch with **Jane Watford** and **Kara Spence**. She was lucky to have had a wonderful visit with **Helen Godwin Stanley** and **Judy Baggaley Savage** in Whistler last summer. **Kathie Morris** **Wood** became a Bubbie last July to a baby girl, Rae Millie Wood. She is enjoying her time in her new role.

It is with great sadness that we share the news of **Mary Katherine Webster**'s passing in Florida. The Class of 1981 will remember her as being fun, genuine, compassionate, and she will be greatly missed. Her daughter Gracie Robinson and her family are in our thoughts.

Just a reminder that 2021 is our 40th Reunion year, and we're looking for ideas and volunteers.

DEATHS

Mary Katherine Webster

CLASS OF 1982

CLASS REPS: Joanne Hyde Gooding and Diane King MacNicol

Kate Sharpe lost both her parents six months apart, and on that journey learned how to navigate the MAiD process with her amazing, ground-breaking mum. It taught her that medically-assisted dying is a huge gift for someone close to death. Amanda Tarling loves life in Victoria, whether hiking, snowshoeing, hunting yoga studios or vegan restaurants. Last year, she saw 20 black bears but only one cougar. Her daughter Gemma spent six months at the University of Copenhagen, returned from a trip to China, and has a docent's job with Parks Canada this summer. Her son Cal had to go into care last year, as his needs and profound disabilities were too overwhelming for him to stay at home. He is a good-natured kid and is doing well. Amanda is a Unitarian Lay Minister and works with the Salt Spring and Victoria congregations. Last year, she officiated at 40 weddings and gave many sermons - work she loves.

Annette Buchman-Mincer may be forced into early retirement as she became a grandmother in 2019, with two more on the way. Nancy Lorenzetti lives in Toronto and has two boys in university. She is a member of the Women's Auxiliary Volunteers at SickKids, doing her bit for the kids and the new hospital project. Jennifer Thoman Woolley has retired. She visited Lindsey McQuat Forden in Princeton and had a wonderful weekend. Jennifer and Jeanne Desbrisay walk their dogs together. Lindsey McOuat Forden still lives in Princeton, N.J., with her husband Steve and their dog and cat. Her daughters live and work in New York. Her oldest daughter Atleigh became engaged this Christmas and will be married in 2021. Lindsey is the development director at McCarter Theatre Center in Princeton. She and Steve play tennis and travel whenever their work schedules permit.

CLASS OF 1982 BURSARY

TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020

\$41,241

Barb Reid Tilka and Bob are still in Florida after 32 years. Both boys are out of college, with one back home. Barb teaches women how money works. Many women face money decisions due to the loss of a spouse through death or divorce or dealing with ageing parents. Barb's Dad is turning 90 this year and still lives independently, enjoying his busy life in Brockville despite missing her mother terribly - gone two years now. Barb hopes to catch up with Canadian friends when travelling to Canada. In 2016, Audrey Carr was selected to be a federal immigration judge and was appointed in 2018 by the attorney-general of the United States. Audrey serves in the Minnesota Immigration Court, which has jurisdiction over immigration cases in Minnesota, North and South Dakota and western Wisconsin. After living in New York for 12 years, she and her husband Dale now live in Lakeville, Minnesota.

Lanny Dawson Thorne went back to school for certification as a health care assistant at Vancouver

Island University. Her passion for caregiving has led her to help people stay in their homes. She loved working in complex, long-term care and will pursue offering private home and personal care services in Gabriola Island, B.C., where she enjoys rural, island life. **Virgina (Ginny) McKeown** is empty-nesting in West Vancouver, B.C., with her husband Erik. They celebrated 25 years in May. Zoë is at UBC in sustainability, and Jack is at Ryerson in film. Ginny finished four years studying documentary filmmaking and photography and plans to teach. She remembers all the laughs we had back in the day and can't wait for **our 40th Reunion**.



Annette Buchman-Mincer 1982 became a grandmother in 2019, with two more on the way.

CLASS OF 1983

CLASS OF 1983 COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT ENDOWMENT | \$49,777

CLASS REPS: Anne Langford Dotsikas and Naomi Sedgwick Schafler

Jane Morrison Collis and her husband Peter retired from practising law in Bermuda and moved, with their dogs and cats, back to Canada last year. She is somewhere between bemused and terrified at the prospect of being a grandmother in spring 2020. She is delighted with all the time she has been able to spend with her boarding school buddies over the last few years. She's not sure getting older would be tolerable without them. After moving back home in recent years, Toronto is finally feeling like home again for **Elizabeth (Liz) Fogler Levitt**. She now plays bridge, hoping that learning this new language is a possibility. Empty-nesters **Beth Morson** and her husband Bob got a new puppy. Beth plays in two hockey leagues when not working as a doctor. She enjoys summers off at her cottage on Big Rideau Lake.

Paisley Currah lives in Brooklyn, teaching at the City University of New York, and this year became editor emeritus of the journal he founded, *TSQ: Transgender Studies Quarterly*. He and **Karen Jewett** met for lunch when he was in Canada last summer when his daughter Greta, age 10, was at camp. Also in N.Y.C., **Karen Williams** produced and presented "I AM" Conversations, a digital series for iam-themovement.com to celebrate and empower women over 40. **Sheila McLenaghan**, now in her 25th year with the PGA Tour in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, is currently SVP of global meetings and corporate events. She is happily married to her husband Duke. Sheila returns to Canada occasionally to visit her Mom. **Kaia Kasekamp Stahl** has opened Anvil Jewellery in Toronto's east end. Her company creates fine custom jewellery and features work by Canadian designers, including her own Studio K line. She is active on Instagram @anviljewellery.

Pauline Chan-Thomas has two new job titles: videographer and video editor. Last summer, CTV Toronto had all its reporters learn how to shoot and edit their own footage. Despite a distinct lack of prior technical skills, Pauline loves being able to get home earlier and edit from her kitchen table.

Your class reps are in transition mode. **Naomi Sedgwick Schafler** is keen to make a career move in the charitable sector, fulfill some travel-wish-list destinations and continue serving on four not-for-profit boards. **Anne Langford Dotsikas** continues to write daily, adjusting to the shift in gaze after losing two beloved men in her life in 2019 – her father and father-in-law. She is grateful as ever for a humour-filled marriage and two healthy daughters who are having their own grand adventures in the world.

The last word goes to **Patricia Kaczanowski Kazan**, who is still a professor at York. Her Dad, a survivor of Bergen Belsen, turns 93 this year – the Nazis couldn't keep him down! Her Mom still puts up with her Dad even though it's been 50 years – she's a trouper.

CLASS OF 1984 ~ 35th Reunion

CLASS OF 1984 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$65,321



The Class of 1984 celebrated its 35th Reunion last fall.

CLASS REPS: Mary McDerment Wellner, Linda Oland and Melinda Taylor

It was so wonderful to see all of you who could make it to our 35th Reunion last fall. We had an amazing night of catching up – the room was humming! We missed everyone who couldn't make it. Thank you very much to our hostess with the mostest, **Nicole (Nicky) von Schroeter**, for opening her beautiful home to us for the night. Nicky is back in the saddle, trying to bring transparency to the Canadian bond market while balancing precious time with her two children still at home.

After 15 years as a movement and mobility coach and a natural health educator, **Fahmida Bhabha** continues to work with individuals and groups to live healthier physically, mentally and emotionally. Fahmida lives in Leslieville with her two cats. **Susan Blair Spratley's** sons have graduated from university and are working – Alex in digital marketing and Will in the film and television industry. Both are living at home, which makes Mom happy! **Sandra** (Sandy) Buik had two foot surgeries but has recovered thanks to some awesome post-op home care by **Cynthia** (Cindy) Hayhurst. Sandy has a new HR job and is trying to do more volunteer work focusing on sustainability and climate change with the World Wildlife Fund.

Jennifer Dolman continues her franchise litigation practice at Osler. 30 years as a lawyer and never a dull moment! She is also working with U of T's Governing Council. Jennifer's children are doing well. Harris is working at a software company, Sasha is at Queen's studying theatre, and Abby is in Grade 11 at Havergal. Anne Hubbs has had an exciting year, surveying wildlife in Western Canada by helicopter (think bighorn sheep and bison) in her work as a biologist and spending five weeks cycling through the mountains of China. Graydon Moffat is partnering with Arlene Dickinson (no, she did not go on Dragon's Den!), whose venture capital firm is helping Graydon to grow her skincare line more strategically, and plant some proverbial seeds to realize her vision of serving up healthy happy, "well-fed" skin to faces around the world.

Sheena Robertson continues to direct film and theatre and is now an author! Her first book. The Reconciliation Canoe, will be published in 2020. Sheena is also the artistic director of Kick Start Arts, creating arts and social justice projects in schools and communities, including a film initiative in Regent Park, which is now a web series, regentparkproject.com. Cathy Shamie is looking forward to getting back on the tennis court and taking on Nicky! She has taken up golf and is planning a golf vacation in P.E.I. this summer.

It's early yet, but our next reunion will give a whole new meaning to FORTY YEARS ON - how surreal is that? Please keep 2024 in mind for our 40th Reunion!

CLASS OF 1985

CLASS REPS: Louise Stevenson, Cathy Wright Southey and Gina Ogilvie

No news was submitted this year! Please contact your

Class Reps or the Old Girls office at 416.483.3519 ext. 4706 or oldgirls@havergal.on.ca to let us know what you've been up to.

CLASS OF 1986 ENDOWMENT

TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$65,514

CLASS OF 1985 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020

\$67.905

CLASS OF 1986

CLASS REPS: Amy Gaskin and Lisa MacLatchy Naprawa

We are thrilled to announce that Anne Parkinson Ullman welcomed a son, Jonathan, on January 18th. Her daughter Alexandra is absolutely thrilled to have a little brother. Congratulations, Anne! Stephanie Hickman plans to be married in Dublin, Ireland when gatherings are possible. Amani Kamel has been working as an optometrist in Toronto for 27 years and loves it. She lives in midtown and is neighbours with Nadine D'Aguiar. Her daughter Jana Kurrek is 21 and is at McGill in the Desautels business school. Her son Benjamin is 19 and just started mechatronic engineering at Waterloo University.

Marianne Moore has a new online blog at lifeinthemessyzone.com. Amy Gaskin's daughter Shannon participated in the Havergal exchange program, travelling to Sydney, Australia, to attend The Ascham School. Lana Ogilvie has started a line of natural skincare products called Lana Ogilvie Cosmetics. Jennifer Smith Cameron travelled to Columbia for two weeks with Medical Ministry International, serving thousands of people who have never had eye care. Clair Fitzgerald was blown away by the amount of HC love that she received following her father's death - from emails, texts, phone calls and flowers to the amazing turnout at his celebration of life. To everyone who reached out, Clair sends many thanks for the love and support and mentioned it was a huge comfort at a sad time.

Shana Elman has also had a rough year. Her youngest son Elijah, who is 14 years old, was diagnosed with cancer in June 2019 (Ewing's Sarcoma). The tumour metastasized to three other places. She has been travelling from Guelph to SickKids, with frequent extended stays in Toronto, for chemo and radiation. This spring will bring another long period of radiation following the end of chemotherapy. Their family was looking forward to Eli's wish trip to Disney World in the summer. Happily, her 18-year-old will finish Grade 12 this year, and her 20-year-old at U of T will graduate by Christmas.

Katie Downie still lives in Nairobi, where she has lived for the last 30 years. Her daughters Alexa and Emma are now in the U.K. Alexa graduated from the London School of Economics last July and is now working for Grant Thornton. Emma has a year left in her commerce degree at the University of Brighton. Katie took the girls on a great trip to Malta, where they explored glass-making and Maltese cheese production. She still works as a management consultant and research scientist, a job which entails travel around Africa and usually Europe.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our 35th Reunion in 2021! More information to follow.

BIRTHS

Anne Parkinson Ulman - a son

CLASS OF 1987

CLASS REPS: Martha Hart McDougall and Tralee Pearce

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CLASS OF 1987 ENDOWMENT TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020

\$41.711

CLASS OF 1988

CLASS REPS: Lillian Tang Smith and Jane Langford

Siân Hollyman Raphael has worked in accounting for a large union in B.C. for 22 years. Her daughter graduated high school this year, and her son is in Grade 11. Heidi Wienike is stronger (and wiser) and back to painting for clients in her studio after spending three months painting her house, her therapeutic divorce healing. Sarah Hicks works in strategy and stakeholder engagement communications, with the same husband, home, cottage, kids and two parents still alive! Lillian Tang Smith merges her project management skills and nutrition certification as director of operations for a growing indoor vertical farm, supplying hyper-local greens yearround to GTA retailers. Seven and a half years after making her deposit, Angela Meharg finally got her new condo on Queen's Quay. She has fallen in love with San Miguel de Allende, Mexico and has found a way to enjoy two consecutive winters there.

Dawn Creber O'Dwyer completed her CD last year (songs-from-my-heart.com) and celebrated her birthday with Tamara Frederick Siegel. Ayala Revah runs a full-time Ob-Gyn practice at Humber River Hospital. Her daughter Orli Silverberg 2015 is in medical school, and Arielle Silverberg 2018 is at Western, while Eden is at Bayview Glen. **Christina (Tina) Heinrich Drysdale**'s eldest son Jamie was the youngest defensemen on Canada's World Junior Hockey team and is considered a top-NHL prospect for the draft!

CLASS OF 1988 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$56,149

Lots of 50th birthdays were celebrated. **Carolyn Leach, Cindy McLennan Barkway**, and **Pam O'Flynn** celebrated by spending a week together in Hawaii. They snorkelled, swam, sipped mai tais, watched sunsets, and talked for hours.

Helen Daniel, Elizabeth (Liz) Wirth, Alexandra Farrugia, Heather Lemmon Cooper, Heather Secord White, Linda Probyn, Marcia (Marcy) Luba Barton, Alexandra Ross, Alexandra (Sasha) Tait Liebich, Dawn Creber O'Dwyer, Sareena Ghulati Wildberger, Catherine Wearing, Anne Stephenson and Jane Langford visited Voyageur Quest in Algonquin Park, where they serenaded the loons during an evening '80s dance party, braved the lake temperatures and enjoyed the fall colours on foot and by water.

Helen Daniel continues her practice as a neutral workplace investigator probing complaints of workplace harassment, discrimination and violence. Elizabeth (Liz) Wirth and husband spent the last two years renovating their dream home in Toronto. Alex Farrugia and her husband Chris are re-learning how to live without kids in beautiful Revelstoke. Her eldest son is at Queen's, while his two brothers are in boarding at Brentwood College School on Vancouver Island. **Heather Lemmon Cooper**'s eldest son became a police officer, and her second son was scouted and signed to play college soccer. Heather is currently the teacher-librarian at an elementary school in Stouffville. **Heather Secord White** continues her practice in pediatric physiotherapy in Calgary. She makes a great G&T and is working on developing her own signature cocktail for the next milestone birthday celebration.

Linda Probyn continues to practise radiology at Sunnybrook and juggle her three kids. She has taken up

cycling to carve out some space for herself. Alexandra Ross celebrated 21 years of marriage and 10 years of working at Humber College. Sasha Tait Liebich has an active vocal teaching studio in Port Perry, Ontario. Catherine Wearing shared her adventures as an accomplished mountain climber when she is not teaching philosophy at Wellesley College in Massachusetts. Anne Stephenson contemplated her changing home front with her twin sons graduating from high school this year and her daughter entering the teen years. Sareena Ghulati Wildberger and her husband continue to enjoy life in Switzerland with her two teen daughters.



Carolyn Leach, Cindy McLennan Barkway, and Pam O'Flynn, all Class of 1988, celebrated their 50th birthdays in Hawaii.



Dawn Creber O'Dwyer 1988 celebrated her birthday with Tamara Frederick Siegel 1988.



Class of 1988 friends Alexandra Ross, Elizabeth (Liz) Wirth, Helen Daniel, Heather Lemmon Cooper, Linda Probyn, Heather Secord White, Marcia (Marcy) Luba Barton, Dawn Creber O'Dwyer, Alexandra (Sacha) Tait Liebich, Alexandra Farrugia, Sareena Ghulati Wildberger, Jane Langford, Anne Stephenson and Catherine Wearing in Algonquin Park.

CLASS OF 1989 ~ 30th Reunion

CLASS OF 1989 ENDOWMENT TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$15,064



The Class of 1989 celebrated its 30th Reunion last fall.

CLASS REP: Tiffany Park Mason

The Class of 1989 had a successful and fun Reunion Weekend in October! Thanks so much to **Sarah White** for hosting all of us at her beautiful home! We had a great catch up that night, but for those who missed it, here are some highlights. We got to meet **Sue Redman's** handsome son Gibson, who joined us for the party. **Tara O'Carroll** and **Jennifer Shone Tribley** came all the way from the U.K. for the reunion. **Tanya White** and **Carol Tan Taylor** visited from the U.S.

On the whole, the class is enjoying life, with thankfully few surprises, as we approach the big 5-0. **Joanne (Jo) Day Berry** works at the Alzheimer Society in Peterborough, coordinating a day program for individuals with young-onset dementia. She loves it, as the program is very interesting and needed in the community. **Elizabeth Wilson Edge**'s bookkeeping business is booming, and the family is happy. Another entrepreneur among us, **Catharine Heddle** continues to operate her communications consulting business, which allows her the flexibility to visit their farm near Belleville and care for the baby fruit trees they planted last year. **Zahava Uddin Webster** continues to innovate with building hospital command centres, including work in Sao Paulo and Riyadh this past year. **Deb Bassett Drysdale** writes that things have come full circle as her daughter is now in Grade 5 at Havergal, and she has been able to get involved with the school as a grade rep and volunteer.

Kristina Soutar is getting married in September 2020, to Gundars Briedis. This is a fellow who just happened to be downstairs at the bar at the Latvian Centre on the night of Nicole Fisher's 19th birthday! Kristina's boys, aged nine and 11, are well, and she is still a partner at Thorsteinssons in Toronto. **Nicole Fisher** has kept a promise to herself to travel through as many countries as she is old. Last year, she

set foot in Africa for the first time, visiting Tanzania, Kenya, Ethiopia and Morocco, bringing her countries travelled to 50 in her 50th year. She recently got to see the elusive **Sarah Matthews** for dinner. A few of us got to see **Kim Wicks Barker** for a birthday brunch in Toronto in February before she headed back out to Saint John, where she is now working. Another traveller amongst us is **Jo-Anne Matear**, who just got back from a pretty amazing trip to Vietnam – check out her great photos on Facebook.

Suzette Strong writes that 2020 will be a year focused

on making memories with lots of travel and family trips before her daughter heads off to university. **Sarah Bull**'s daughter Becca is in Grade 7 at Havergal, where she notes a lot has changed at the school, but a lot remains happily the same. Her boys are good and in Grade 9 and Grade 12. She is also lamenting having the eldest off at university next year. They got a second dog to try to help with the journey to the empty nest.

Please stay in touch on the Havergal College Class of 1989 Facebook page!

CLASS OF 1990 ENDOWMENT | TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 |

\$43,173

CLASS OF 1990

CLASS REP: Laura Cuddie

The Class of 1990 is very excited for our 30-Year Reunion. Due to COVID-19, Reunion Weekend has been shifted to May 29 and 30, 2021. Many have stayed closely connected. We are a highly-engaged group, balancing careers, community and family responsibilities with maintaining health and finding personal fulfilment.

Eva (Winterstein) Larkan is married with three teens and works at the TDSB. Eva balances barbells at crossfit, teeters on park cliffs with a hiking group and aligns her chakras with yoga and meditation. Justine Deluce sells real estate with Chestnut Park and was honoured with the Chairman's Award for outstanding performance. Justine is also a yogi and attends a California ashram every year. Susie Macrae is a marketing consultant in Toronto and travels often; Denmark, Ireland, Dominican Republic and Switzerland were recent adventures. Karen DeBortoli joined Buck in 2018 as director and Canadian privacy officer. Karen, her husband and son are avid travellers, and she is training for her first marathon.

Katie Rennie Osler spends weekends cheering on her son at swim meets or visiting her daughter at Dalhousie, where she also catches up with **Karen Schaffer**. She is preparing to be an empty-nester when both kids go to camp for the entire summer. **Lindsay (Thompson) Black** is excited to return to school and to work in HR after raising kids for 15 years. Thank you, Lindsay, for volunteering to host our reunion celebration!

Melissa Tabacoff Cavelti plays bass with Orchestra Toronto and has taken up knitting. Her two girls are at HC; the oldest graduates this year. **Naomi Buck** is raising two boys, writing and wrangling a dog who has grown well beyond her wildest expectations. **Heather Plaxton MacDonald** plays polo and hikes with her dog to

decompress. Her three teens learned to surf this year, and the family spends as much time as possible at the cottage. **Tiffany Welch** is VP, sales platform and technology at SAP. She enjoys camping, hiking, and cuddling with her Thai rescue pup. **Giselle Jones** redefined "relaxation" after having a baby at 45 while incorporating her own mindfulness mediation practice. She is filled with gratitude for her daughter and husband. Congratulations to **Sarah Meharg**, named a Top Woman in Defence, whose theory of warfare "identicide" is now in Wikipedia. Her family (husband and two daughters) loves to ski and enjoys winter activities around Ottawa.

Leanne Finley Golding is based in the Caymans with her husband and two daughters (at Carleton and TCS). Leanne supports 100 Women in Finance and works on their mentor program, Girl Force 100. She is an avid tennis player and beach yogi. Fiona Hudson Lennard does marketing for a residential design/build firm in Seattle. She loves to camp and hike with her husband and two teens. Sian O'Malley Hahn relocated to Maine with her husband and two teens after 15 years practising law in N.Y.C. The family travels to New England for swim meets and enjoys the low-key lifestyle of Maine, including hikes with the family lab.

Stephanie Palazzi Boston is in Frisco, Texas, with her husband and son. She practises taekwondo and spinning,

then enjoys a great home-cooked meal or family game night. Laura Cuddie is based in Jackson, Wyoming, but often travels to Toronto and across the Americas in her role in residential development at Four Seasons Hotels & Resorts. She skis and hikes in the Teton mountains with her husband, daughter and rescue beagles.

CLASS OF 1991 ENDOWMENT \$27,920 TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020

CLASS OF 1991

CLASS REPS: Lina Fancy and Silvia Lulka

In this new reality we find ourselves in, we look with compassion to our Havergal Community and hope that all are healthy and safe.

Sarah Harris Robertson is in Toronto with her husband. two boys and her golden retriever. She is head of client relations and admissions of a private school, continues her board work and is an avid supporter of conservation. Amy Wilson lives with her husband Michael and Poppy in Toronto. They renovated their home during her maternity leave and moved back in the week she returned to RBC. Kate Menear is doing well and is a partner at BLG in Toronto. She stays busy with work, her two kids and her pup. Indrani (Julia) Pal-Chaudhuri won two awards at the Tribeca Film Festival, was a keynote speaker at the Harvard University Pride and Progress Film Symposium, is a United Nations Women's Distinguished Fellow and was inducted to the Havergal Hall of Distinction. Silvia Lulka works at Rogers in Toronto, and her family is doing well. Her oldest son is graduating Grade 8 and will be going to Claude Watson for drama.

Janice Pierson Lanoue is living in Hawkesbury with her Bob, her kids and pets, including a new puppy. As a regional director for the dairy expertise centre, she provides technical and advisory services to dairy producers all over Canada. She is on the reunion committee for next year, so expect some dancing! **Carin Milroy** is a teacher in Stouffville and is busy with work, kids and her pup. She did a lot of travelling in 2019, including to Morocco, Egypt, Hawaii, Paris, Florida and British Columbia. **Janet Howse** is in Ottawa and hunkered down in isolation with her family and her many animals. She is rocking the home-schooling by hot-gluing whatever they can, jumping in puddles and waiting out this storm.

Mary Hassard works as a radiologist at Foothill Medical Centre in Calgary. Celia Johnson is in Vancouver with her husband and is VP and general counsel for the Graymont Mining company. Jennifer McGill lives on Vancouver Island, working in dialysis technology and is surrounded by her son Aydan's Lego dungeons and dragons. Clare Coughlan lives in Vancouver with her energetic 15-yearold pup, Rubee. Following a career in advertising and publishing, she runs a small communications and marketing agency. She has pursued her love of music through song-writing and guitar, including a residency at SOCAN House in Nashville. Sarinda Hoilett is grateful to be living in British Columbia – just outside of Whistler – with her partner Philippe and two kids. Life is full of taking care of her garden, adventuring in the mountains and working with clients in her wellness business.

Alicia Bona Sandelman lives in Manhattan with her husband Jon, her two kids Alba (9) and Gianluca (3) and two dogs. She loves to cook, and they host lots of fun dinner parties for friends and visitors. They are safe in the Hamptons while isolating due to the virus. Lisa Benjamin Bobb-Semple lives in Maryland with her husband and two teenage daughters (13, 14) and enjoys sales and marketing for the U.S. Postal Service. Esperanza (Moonie) Leon 1990 lives in East Hampton with her husband and Carmen (8) and Owen (5). She is currently home-schooling and working for the Victor D'Amico Institute of Art, where she has been for the past three years. Lina Fancy lives just over the Golden Gate Bridge in the Bay Area with her husband Mark, Oliver (8), Sebastian (6) and her pup. She is director of a non-profit in San Francisco that specializes in autism and is completing her master's in counselling psychology at the Dominican University of California with a specialization in marriage and family therapy. She paints, hikes, paddles, cooks and travels when she can. She is on the reunion committee for next year! She was excited to have two visitors to the Bay Area this year, Clare Coughlan and Phyllis Greenberg.

We look forward to seeing everyone at our (gulp) **30-Year Reunion** in Toronto in the spring of 2021!

CLASS OF 1992 ENDOWMENT | \$31,405

CLASS OF 1992

CLASS REPS: Rachel DeBlois and Dale McIntosh

Another busy year for us! **Ana del Rosal** opened Mountain Rose Integrated Wellness Center in Waitsfield, Vermont, in 2018. She offers yoga classes, massage therapy, and specializes in acupuncture. If you're ever in Vermont, be sure to stop by! **Brooke Murray** loves life in Parkdale and is taking a well-deserved break from the restaurant business. **Vicki Sawh** helps run their family restaurant, Island Foods, on Don Mills Road. Since the King Street location closed, she has had some extra time with her two girls, Samantha and Natasha, and has developed a new line of all-natural hot sauces with her husband. The brand is an extension of the Island Foods restaurant, and two of the three sauces have already won awards.

Dora Boylen-Pabst is now CEO at Headwaters Health Care Foundation and lives in Schomberg with their four dogs and Charlize (16) and Raif (13). Charlize was scheduled to take Grade 12 biology at Bermuda's Oceanographic Institute this summer. Dominique Ing Tieu 1991 enjoys nursing in the NICU at SickKids. Last summer, her family went to Thailand to watch her eldest, Ellis, compete on Team Canada's junior dragon boat team. Their middle child, Reese, is going into his second year of paddling, and their youngest daughter Sloane hopes to follow in her older brother's footsteps... or strokes!

Susy (Sooz) Sinclair lives in the Blue Mountains two hours outside of Sydney, Australia. She is a learning support teacher at a primary school, working with students who have additional needs and Autism Spectrum Disorder. She is a single mum to two children, both in high school, the eldest doing his HSC (OSSD-equivalent). At RSGC, **Rachel DeBlois** is the foundation year coordinator and still enjoys teaching Grade 9 French. In her role as an admissions associate, she has had many classmates and friends' kids apply to RSGC over the years. It is cool to think that one day she will teach them in her classroom! Rachel's kids Jordan (14) and Dufferin (12) earned their black belts in karate in December. They have found their passion for karate and often volunteer at the dojo with the younger classes. **Dale McIntosh** keeps busy with her boys and their sports schedules. She stays in the loop on life at HC through her husband, who is the vice-principal of strategic innovation and design. And if you are wondering, he is a Frannie, too!

Sadly, this year we lost two classmates, **Louise Rough** and **Nancy Harrison**. A few of us were able to attend Louise's celebration of life in Aurora. Her message to "maximize the minimum" and "enjoy your today" will stay with us forever. While Nancy attended Havergal for a short time, those who knew her will remember her sense of humour and love of the outdoors. We wish both Louise and Nancy's families our deepest sympathies.

HC has a new alumnae portal called CONNECTIONS. Please consider joining today at connections.havergal. on.ca. It's a new platform that highlights networking possibilities, mentoring opportunities, and live feeds from HC's social media pages.

DEATHS

Nancy Harrison Louise Rough

CLASS REPS: Andrea Racansky Thomson, Tamara Kolber, Mariam Marandi and Amy Schlueter

It has been a lean year for submitted news from the Class of 1993. Yet through the wonders of social media, I have watched my classmates succeed in their careers, enjoy holidays with their beautiful families, renovate or upgrade their homes, overcome adversity and celebrate milestones. Here is the news I received.

Rebecca Shapira Stutley left her role as the director of marketing at IKEA Canada in 2018 to join Kids Help Phone. That same year, she launched her own coaching practice – "Be Wholehearted You" – which helps clients in their own self-discovery journeys. She's the mum to two amazing boys (8 and 13). Like Rebecca, **Tamara Kolber**'s boys are growing big and healthy.

At last year's reunion, I spoke to **Mita Ghosh** about her career aspirations, and this year she achieved them! Mita is now a trainee accountant for film and television and has worked on the shows *Ghostwriters* and *Titans*.

Marie-Eve Villeneuve made a big move: she and her family relocated from Montreal to the Laurentians, to a small town called Val-David. She continues to work for the same Montreal firm, remotely three days a week and in the city the other two days. She and her children Elliot (7) and Lili (5) spend lots of time cross-country skiing, snowshoeing or simply enjoying the outdoors.

Jennifer Bassett celebrated a major milestone this year – her business, Bassett Events, marked its 20th anniversary and was voted one of the top 50 planners in the world by BizBash. Will (12) is at Deer Park, and Mackenzie (13) signed with Spot6 Management as a model. Jennifer is also celebrating five years of marriage to her amazing hubby.

Julie Crothers is the president of the Havergal Old Girls Association and does an extraordinary job representing all us alumnae. It was a milestone year for me, **Andrea Racansky Thomson** – I left my position at the NAC Foundation after 15 years and took on the role of director of development at Elmwood School, the same girls' school my daughter Camilla (14) attends. Camilla made it to the Ottawa regional science fair, and Ella (17) got her driver's license and her first job as a lifeguard/swim instructor. I also joined Julie on the Havergal Directorate, working to connect those "Beyond the Ivy." Be sure to sign up for Havergal *Connections*, the BEST place to keep in touch with the school and your classmates. connections. havergal.on.ca



The Class of 1994 celebrated its 25th Reunion last fall.

CLASS REPS: Aimee Beeston and Tory Perkin

No news was submitted this year! Please contact your Class Reps or the Old Girls office at 416.483.3519 ext. 4706 or oldgirls@havergal.on.ca to let us know what you've been up to.

CLASS OF 1995

CLASS REPS: Deirdre Horgan MacLeod, Catherine Nicholson and Lisa Rossiter-Thornton

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CLASS OF 1995 ENDOWMENT | \$10,797 TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 | \$10,797

CLASS OF 1996 CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT FUND | \$58,189 TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 |

CLASS REPS: Jennifer McCarthy Bidwell, Jennifer (Jenny) Lamont and Kendra Thompson

Hilary Curry is still in Dubai, started with KPMG, and enjoys married life with Spencer Collard. **Caley Taylor** and her husband are enjoying their life in Toronto. She still works as a photographer and hopes to complete an exhibition this year. Her daughter turned 16 this year, and her son turned seven. Time flies!

After taking the summer off, **Kendra Thompson** joined Deloitte as a partner and is very excited that her youngest Liese will be starting in SK in the junior school joining her sister Maren, Grade 2. Kendra also sits on the HOGA board focused on connecting us Old Girls to the current school community.

In honour of her son, **Farah Ismail** co-founded a fundraiser called Grayson's Gratitude x SickKids in support of pediatric kidney research. On the professional side, Farah started a new position as an executive consultant with SE Health and her own consulting business called I N T E R S E C T, which connects issues related to health care and the law.

No other news was submitted this year! Please contact your Class Reps or the Old Girls office at 416.483.3519 ext. 4706 or oldgirls@havergal.on.ca to let us know what you've been up to.

CLASS OF 1997

CLASS OF 1997 SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FUND \$54,179



Members of the Class of 1997 attended the Old Girls Annual Dinner last fall to cheer on their classmate Janie Wong 1997 as she accepted the 2019 Dr. Susan Ditchburn Young Alumna Award.

CLASS REPS: Signe McDonald Scammell, Allison McMillin Jelley, and Sarah Tennant

Sarah Tennant presented **Janie Wong** with the 2019 Dr. Susan Ditchburn Young Alumna Award in November. Janie works as a lawyer and was delighted to see Jessica Olivier Hersey 1998 and Cat Scully Neilson 1998 in Hong Kong, before the protests and COVID-19 outbreak. **Tze-Wei Ng** co-chairs the board of Resolve, an organization empowering future community leaders for a more inclusive Hong Kong. She returned to law practice, specializing in charity law and social finance.

Angel Cheung has enjoyed working from home amidst the craziness that is the COVID-19 outbreak in Singapore. **Meghann Grandy Wooster** recently signed a book deal with Harlequin under the name Meghann Whistler. Her first novel is a sweet Christian romance titled *Falling for the Innkeeper*. **Clare Tacon** has been busy with her book *In Search of the Perfect Singing Flamingo*; it is available as an audiobook.

Signe McDonald Scammell awaits another move; in the meantime, Jack will start in the science program at a middle school in Calgary. Signe works part-time as a teacher assistant at Copperfield Elementary, enjoys trips to Canmore/Banff/Kananaskis/Lake Louise, and looks forward to summers in Toronto and Change Islands, Newfoundland, where she visits family.

In Toronto, Allison McMillin Jelley parents four kids, runs The Grande Classique, a race from the Eiffel Tower to Versailles, and spends summers in P.E.I. Jennifer Watson Dufresne bikes to her new job at the Sunnybrook Foundation at Sunnybrook Hospital. Her twins are in JK. Victoria (Tory) Bovaird's son Hudson (2) is learning to ski while her daughter Adelaide (Grade 2) loves to dance. Victoria is on the board of Daytrippers Children's Charity and still works at Deloitte. Vanessa Oliver's commercial real estate brokerage, Regent Street, is nine years old and just grew to six team members, all amazing women. Her children attend the Lycée Français de Toronto, and she spends weekends on the ski hill with Old Girls Vanessa Ast Biller, Victoria Bovaird, Jen Boville and Kendra Thompson 1996.

Julia Boma-Fischer Card works as a speechlanguage pathologist at West Park Healthcare Centre in Toronto, recently moved to a 100-year-old house and is contemplating what needs fixing first. Thanks to Cam Fox 1996, she started to sew again. **Christine Etherington** **Varesh** lives in Toronto with her husband Tom and is doing a little globetrotting this year. **Rebecca Doiron** had a great trip to Disney World in 2019 and returned to her work at the Ontario Ministry of Finance in the pension policy group. Her two children Annelies and Theo are thriving.

Lindsay Greisman Mintz is now the sole owner of Prestonvale Dental, and her son Trevor was accepted to UCC for Grade 7. **Amber Richardson** started as executive VP, project delivery for Critical Mass. She recently moved within East York with her husband and two girls and raises awareness and funds for late-term pregnancy and infant loss through the Oliver Harper Foundation.

Leigh Dickson moved to Montreal five years ago with her three kids and works at McGill in education research for the Faculty of Medicine. **Bianca Knop** lives in Vancouver and celebrated the fifth year of business for her company, Wildfire Experiential and Events. She sits on the board of KidSport Vancouver and mentors with the UBC HKIN department.

Cecelia Kitakufé practises family medicine in Michigan, volunteers for medical mission trips (the last one was in Thailand), teaches Bible study classes and mentors ladies through her church. **Christina Beharry** has settled in Washington, D.C., with her husband, daughter Beatrice (7) and son Hugo (3). She practises international law and this year received a victory for Mauritius in relation to protecting the Le Morne world heritage site from residential development.

Catherine Molnar Livingstone builds on her work as a creative engagement consultant for people with dementia. She received a government grant for a social enterprise start-up, The Opal Season Company. She is currently field-testing a prototype with more than 120 recreation therapists in eight countries and works with Indigenous elders in the N.W.T. **Vanessa Ast Biller** is Mom to two spirited daughters, ages 6 and 8, tinkers with passion projects @Vastfit, and chairs parent council initiatives on school committees.

BIRTHS

Jacquie Tan – a son Sharon Wu – a daughter

CLASS REP: Amanda Karahanas

No news was submitted this year! Please contact your Class Reps or the Old Girls office at 416.483.3519 ext. 4706 or oldgirls@havergal.on.ca to let us know what you've been up to.

CLASS OF 1999 ~ 20th Reunion

CLASS OF 1999 ENDOWMENT | \$55,121 TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 | \$55,121

CLASS OF 1998 ATHLETICS ENDOWMENT TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$48,090



CLASS REPS: Jessica Cook, Angela Fenwick and Jessica Oliver

I hope this finds everyone and their families doing well. The Class of 1999 had another busy year. We are so glad that people in the city could make it out to celebrate our 20-Year Reunion! For those who were not able to make the trip, here is what everyone has been up to.

Allison Kelly lives in Waterloo with her husband and two kids, where she is a professor in the psychology department at the University of Waterloo. Christy Lynde Nicolucci is a dentist in London, Ontario. This January, she bought a cottage in Honey Harbour, Georgian Bay, to enjoy some much-loved quiet time with her three daughters and hubby. Julie Pashby Pleskach has moved back to Canada with her husband and two children after living in Melbourne, Australia, for the past two years. They had an incredible adventure filled with travel but are happy to be closer to family.

Julia Kelk moved back to north London at the end of 2019 after a few years in Florida, where her two children were born (now aged 18 months and 3.5 years). She works as senior counsel at a major London insurance broker and loves being back in the city. **Bonnie Kwok Pang** is still in Hong Kong with her husband and two little daughters and works for Standard Chartered Bank. After her third (and final!) mat leave, Jessica Oliver started a new job as director of corporate affairs at LCBO. She enjoys spending winter weekends at Beaver Valley ski club with her sister Vanessa Oliver 1997 and several of Vanessa's 1997 classmates (Vanessa Ast, Tory Bovaird, Jen Boville and Kendra Thompson). They are looking for



Members of the Class of 1999 having fun at their 20th Reunion.

some Class of 1999 recruits!

Angela Fenwick works in sales in Los Angeles and got married last June. **Meredith Ashton Beales** is senior corporate counsel at Home Depot. She welcomed her third daughter this January. Her eldest will become a Havergalian in September! Meredith also continues to run the Leaside Sparks Unit. **Sara Diament** is a lawyer at Pepsi, practising employment and commercial law. She has three beautiful children, ages 4, 6 and 7. She visited Utah this year to spend some time with **Jess Cook**.

MARRIAGES

Angela Fenwick

CLASS REPS: Robin Smulders Richmond and Kelly Thompson Polci

The Class of 2000 is counting down to our 20th Reunion in May 2021!

Priva Mosur shares that after a lifetime of wanting a dog, she adopted one named Truffles. She enjoys her volunteer work with young adults exiting foster care and with a dog rescue. Alexandra (Alex) Carr Welch became a partner practising family law at Lenkinski. Carr & Richard I I P. Giselle Revah and her husband both work as radiologists at the Ottawa Hospital. She plays violin and performs as part of a group called Concert Docs. Sarah Bovaird made a career shift this year and joined TD Bank, where she supports retail transformation. Sara Markovic opened a dental specialty practice, River Street Endodontics, in Corktown. Lyndsay Hayhurst had her fourth child, a baby girl. Lyndsay will be returning to York University in September. She hopes to remember how to be a professor after being on maternity leave on and off for the last six years. Leah Burke Sweed had a blast celebrating her nuptials in Victoria, B.C., surrounded by a conglomerate of HC pals.

Caleigh Pacini Meehan and **Kelly Thompson Polci** got away for four days of kid-free fun in "Music City" (Nashville). **Lynda Morgan** recently moved her criminal defence/regulatory law practice to Addario Law Group in Toronto. **Sophie Kohn** works as a writer for CBC and

performs stand-up comedy. Her feminist humour piece titled "*If You Ever Hurt My Daughter I Swear to God I'll Let Her Navigate Her Own Emotional Growth*" written for The New Yorker is being turned into a short film. **Lisa McKeown** has completed her PhD in philosophy at The New School, and while she prays for the miracle of an academic job, she's working on the much more viable career path of stand-up comedy. That's right...two stand-up comics in our midst! **Timothea (Timmie) Leung** is a partner at an insurance defence boutique firm called Gilbert Kirby Stringer LLP in Toronto and lives in Leaside. **Pia Hundal Stokes** was named to Best Lawyers Canada 2020 in trusts and estates!

Caleigh Warrack Murtaugh is moving to Sayulita, Mexico for a year to work on her master's of education. Adrienne (Midge) Begg MacCharles recently joined the board of the Financial District BIA. Alessandra Palombo Sollazzo has four kids, so no hobbies or other news to speak of! Nadira Rambihar is enjoying life as a part-time sports doc/full-time Mom to three little ones aged five and under. Alison Minard shares that nothing exciting has happened to her this past year: no new job, no more kids, no kids planned, no marriage or divorce, and no fun trips planned. HA! Chloe Brown Schumacher welcomed baby Hunter to the family and is presently on maternity leave from teaching at John Ross Robertson. Along with partners, Nicole (Nikki) Mabro Gouzopoulos and her husband Stephen opened an art gallery, Cry Baby Gallery, in Dundas West, which is actually a speakeasy bar in the back.

MARRIAGES

Leah Burke to Thomas Sweed

BIRTHS

Lyndsay Hayhurst – a daughter Chloe Schumacher Brown – a son



Leah Burke Sweed 2000 and her Havergal friends had fun at her wedding in Victoria, B.C.

CLASS REPS: Frances Anne Black Strauss, Jessica Sheehan Arakgi and Victoria (Tory) Clarke

Yvonne Kai Anderson lives in Las Vegas with her husband and her son Niko. **Carrie Anderson** has two daughters, Sadie and Sloane. She recently moved to Montreal and is working as a senior manager at Deloitte. **Emily Meuser**, along with her husband and son, went to Egypt to spend time with her in-laws, with a side trip to Kenya. They had an amazing time and can't wait to go back. **Victoria Clarke-Golding** lives in Toronto along with her husband, son Matthew and two dogs. This past year she had a baby girl, Mackenzie Golding (Havergal Class of 2037).

Emilee Irwin Peterson is still living in (and loving) Kenya with her husband and one-year-old daughter Willow. She continues to work for a Canadian education technology company, D2L, and was recently promoted to VP, strategy and public affairs. She oversees global strategy, government and external relations. **Alison (Ali) Gollob Lowney** and her husband Steve had a daughter, Emmeline Saoirse. They bought a condo in Etobicoke and are loving life in the west end. Allison is enjoying her last couple of months of maternity leave before returning to work as an apparel designer. She will have taken four trips in their baby's first year – Ireland, B.C., Florida and Ireland again.

Jen Singer moved to Zambia for love. Frances Ann

Black Strauss lives in New York with her husband Matt and their daughter Bridget and new baby girl, Edie. They just finished renovations on their apartment and have moved in. Beth Cole Pollack lives in Calgary and had a baby boy, Nolan Pollock. Lauren Palombo had a boy, Elliot. Lesley Creswell lives in Toronto with her husband and son Will - they are active skiers. Joanna Griffiths had a baby boy, Cole Barber. Caitlin Martin Evans Watson had a baby girl named Scotia. Lindsay Knowlton Haye had a baby girl named Ashlyn. Gillian Apps got married and is expecting a baby in February. Gwyneth MacMillan is a post-doc at the Centre for Indigenous Peoples' Nutrition and Environment at McGill and enjoys being out "in the bush" in Northern Quebec.

MARRIAGES

Gillian Apps

BIRTHS

Victoria Clarke-Golding – a daughter Beth Cole Pollack – a son Joanna Griffiths – a son Lindsay Haye – a daughter Allison Gollob Lowney – a daughter Lauren Palombo – a son Frances Ann Strauss – a daughter Caitlin Martin Evans Watson – a daughter

CLASS REPS: Caitlin Peddie Stark and Sarah Rea

Internationally, **Jen Sceviour** has enjoyed taking her business, Yoga 44, to Costa Rica, Mexico and Muskoka. A 2019 highlight was teaching yoga to 50 people from the deck of a wakeboard boat in Port Carling. In Germany, **Carmen Gayoso** is expecting a second daughter and looking forward to returning to Toronto in 2021 and reconnecting with the Havergal community.

In the San Francisco Bay Area, **Samantha Irwin** has set a new athletic goal for 2020: to win the club championship at her local golf course. Wish her luck! **Heena Patel** now lives a bicoastal life between the Bay Area and New York, working toward her mission to increase the presence of South Asian music, dance and theatre in the mainstream performing arts industry.

In Vancouver, **Suzanne Ma** returned from maternity leave to rejoin her husband and their team at Routific, a tech company that builds route optimization software used by hundreds of local delivery businesses around the world. **Jenna Shelley** moved to the west coast with her husband Thomas Crerar, and they are expecting their first child.

In Hamilton, **Brooke Butler** is growing her interior design business, Brooke Butler Design.

In Toronto, Courtney Ashton is taking time away from the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan Board while caring for her three children. Natalie (Nat) Reisman Breger has joined her father in residential real estate development with a focus on building new apartment buildings with affordable units; now, the boss doesn't object when she occasionally brings her three kids to work! **Deborah (Deb) Gollob** is completing a master's of health science in health administration at the University of Toronto and has joined The Change Foundation to work with patients, family caregivers and health providers to advance an integrated Ontario health care system. Jenn Hood started a new role as associate general counsel at the advertising technology company Index Exchange Inc. Sarah Rea has joined the volunteer-led TEDxToronto 2020 organizing team, and she encourages HC alumnae to apply to speak at, volunteer at, sponsor and attend the inspiring non-profit event.

Kirstin Rydahl was appointed interim acting chief administrative officer for the Ontario government's Treasury

Board Secretariat. Nicole (Niki) Tapscott has joined Mejuri as chief marketing officer, and she enjoys life in the city with her husband, daughter and son. Nina Mafrici Mariani's psychology practice, Toronto Psychology & Wellness Group, has begun a collaboration with other allied health professionals to offer a subsidized intensive day treatment for adolescents and adults struggling with eating disorders. Alex Bittner Howard lives in Toronto with her husband and two kids. She recently went back to school for mediation and is now consulting for small businesses on dispute resolution. Allison Freeman had fun this winter teaching her kids, Graydon and Celeste, how to ski.

MARRIAGES

Kim Baker Lanis to Peter Lanis Deb Gollob to William Junkin Jenna Shelley to Thomas Crerar

BIRTHS

Courtney Ashton – a son Rebecca Ho – a daughter Suzanne Ma – a son Sarah Rea – a son Caitlin Peddie Stark – a daughter



Julia Reid 2002 and her daughter Scarlett.

CLASS OF 2002 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$64,628



Kim Baker 2002 and her husband Peter Lanis.



Suzanne Ma 2002 with her husband Marc and son Avery.



Rebecca Ho 2002's daughter Emilia.

CLASS OF 2003 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$60,398

CLASS REPS: Laura Stoll Womersley, Hilary Young Riley, Jordan Hartkorn and Jennifer Lui

Lauren (Lou) Ast Greaves is all about family these days and is making the most of some precious moments. Hiking for picnics with views is a favourite pastime for the Greaves family, from Kazbegi, Georgia, to Petra, Jordan, Simien Mountains, Ethiopia, to Sheep's Head, Ireland. They've packed a lot in since having kids! Amanda Brennan was promoted to senior legal counsel at Ornge Air Ambulance, a role she finds personally and professionally fulfilling. When she's not working, Amanda enjoys travelling with her husband. Carling Cheung enjoys practising family and emergency medicine in Chesley, Ontario. She married Emmet Blake in May 2019.

Megan Dell lives in Squamish with her husband Adam, daughter Brooke and son Brodie. Megan is a certified health coach and wellness advocate with doTERRA, combining her passion and experience in health, coaching and sales to support women to live this precious life full out. Elizabeth (Lizzie) Mingay, married in August 2019, has just opened BridgeHealth, a multi-disciplinary wellness practice in Toronto, with a focus on wellness, rehabilitation and sport performance. Lizzie and her husband have a Bouvier puppy named Ollie. Running with Ollie in the ravine is a favourite way to unwind.

After her second maternity leave, **Katie Nelson Etherington** started a new role at Raymond James Ltd., where she is now vice-president of capital markets operations. Katie's family joined a ski club in Collingwood this year. They love to ski and hike together to relax on the weekends; being outdoors helps them decompress from the busy week and spend time as a family. **Jessica Pezim** lives in Toronto with her husband and two children. She joined the Bedford Consulting Group as a principal after returning to work from maternity leave. **Romaana Shariff** is enjoying life as a family of four in Stouffville with her husband Ali, their son Kaleb, and new daughter Kalia Norah Karmali. **Jenny Trevelyan Banwell** welcomed her second daughter, Ava, into her family in October. She is on maternity leave from her job as a field supervisor at Teacher's College Columbia University in New York City.

Chelsey Ward Caputo lives in downtown N.Y.C. with her husband David and their three kids, Maxwell, Roman and Audrey. Hilary Young Riley and her husband Andrew welcomed twin boys, Cameron and Colin, in September 2019. She is enjoying maternity leave from her role as assistant director of admissions at Crescent School. Jacqueline Young relocated with her family to Burnaby, British Columbia, in August 2019. They are enjoying skiing and the outdoors. They are expecting their third baby in the summer of 2020. Jessica Zive is enjoying spending time with family and friends in Toronto after many years of living away.

MARRIAGES

Carling Cheung to Emmet Blake Lizzie Mingay to David Clare

BIRTHS

Romaana Shariff – a daughter Jenny Trevelyan – a daughter Hilary Young Riley – twin boys



Katie Nelson Etherington 2003 and Livi, off for a hike.



Lauren Ast Greaves 2003 and her family.



Hilary Young Riley 2003's twins, Cameron and Colin.



Katie Nelson Etherington 2003's son Jack, carrying his own weight.



Megan Joyner Dell 2003 with her husband Adam, daughter Brooke and son Brodie.

CLASS OF 2004 ~ 15th Reunion

CLASS OF 2004 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$73,409



The Class of 2004 celebrated its 15th Reunion last fall.

CLASS REPS: Stephanie Applin, Laura Heaphy, Kate (Katie) Karfilis and Vanessa Rambihar

The 2004 Graduating Class enjoyed celebrating their fifteenyear reunion at an intimate gathering at the Spoke Club in September 2019. **Stephanie Applin** remains in London, U.K., and continues her work in the outdoor arts sector with Mandinga Arts. She enjoys seeing as many performing arts shows as possible and testing herself at the weekly pub quiz with the three-legged pub cat, appropriately named Legz.

2019 was a busy year for **Courtney Clinton**! A year into life as an entrepreneur, her art consulting business, Clinton Art Services, continues to grow. This means new challenges and lots of learning. This year, she offered guided tours of Art Toronto. Specializing in historic and contemporary art, the tour is a way for new collectors to learn about the fine art market with Canada's most important art fair as a backdrop. On a personal note, Courtney celebrated her fifth anniversary with her partner Hamid Darabi with an intimate dinner in Montreal, Canada's foodie capital! **Lindsay** (**Jessie**) **Colgan** is on maternity leave with her second child, a son Linden. In her free time, she enjoys hiking with her family and playing the piano.

Laura Heaphy continues to enjoy life in New York City, where she is an associate partner with McKinsey's financial services practice. She has a hard time believing that it has been almost a decade since she first moved to the U.S.! **Afton Houlden** got married in August to Matthew Smith. Guests included Havergal friends **Sybil Edmonds Miller, Stephanie LeNguyen, Claire Fauquier** and Daphne Edmonds Hooper 2007. Afton also took on new responsibilities at Maple Leaf Foods as director and general manager of the pastry business. **Georgina Reilly O'Brien** just finished shooting ABC's new series, *The Baker and The Beauty*, and is back in New York City for season two of Showtime's *City On a Hill*. Between jobs, she likes to travel with Mark and her daughter Penelope.

This past year **Sarah Selke** and Frank welcomed their twin daughters Madeleine and Noelle to the family and were able to finally make it to Sarasota to enjoy some warm weather over the winter. Now that the twins are older, Sarah will be trying to get more involved in music and art this year, even if just by going to some jazz concerts and taking painting classes. Her eldest, Scarlett, is excited to



Afton Houlden 2004 married Matthew Smith.

be starting school at Havergal this September! Vanessa Rambihar was promoted to assistant professor at the University of Toronto. She married Robert Marsh in a Muskoka summer wedding, with classmates Shari Eisen, Laura Vermander Williams and Sarah Pantelidis Selke among her bridesmaids. She took an extended time off to honeymoon across Europe before giving birth to their first son on New Year's Eve.

MARRIAGES

Afton Houlden to Matthew Smith Vanessa Rambihar to Robert Marsh

BIRTHS

Vanessa Rambihar – a son Arakua Lamptey Baer – a daughter Jessie Colgan – a son Sarah Selke – twin girls



Courtney Clinton 2004 offers guided tours of Art Toronto.



Nandini Gupta 2004, Shari Eisen 2004, Valerie Eisen 2006, Charlotte Anderson 2005, Vanessa Rambihar 2004, Brigitte Ebner 2004, Michelle Ngai 2004, Stephanie Lenguyen 2004, Sarah Pantelidis Selke 2004, and Laura Vermander 2004 at Vanessa Rambihar's wedding.



Shari Eisen 2004, Nadira Rambihar 2000, Sherryn Rambihar 1999, Laura Vermander 2004 and Sarah Pantelidis Selke 2004 were among the bridesmaids at the wedding of Vanessa Rambihar 2004.

CLASS OF 2005 BURSARY | \$100,710

CLASS REPS: Charlotte Anderson, Victoria Duda, Leslie Greey and Megan Rolland

It has been 15 years since Shonda Rhimes created the hit TV series *Grey's Anatomy*; newcomers Adam Levine and Maroon 5 beat out Kanye West for best new artist at the Grammy's; Martha Stewart served her time for insider trading and was released from prison; happily married Brad Pritt filmed Mr. and Mrs. Smith, and a nation was divided between Team Angelina and Team Jen; Tom Cruise jumped on Oprah Winfrey's couch like it was a trampoline, proclaiming his love for Katie Holmes; Gwen Stefani taught us all that we ain't no hollaback girls; the Havergal principal with iconic shoes slipped and fell and altered the entrance procedures for the rest of time; the first video was uploaded to YouTube and road trips changed forever with the development of Google Maps.

It has also been 15 years since an awesome group of ladies hung up their kilts, pushed down their knee socks, untucked their shirts, loosened their ties and stepped out from behind the ivy.

Come celebrate our fifteen-year reunion and catch up with your classmates living on five continents and spread

across every corner of the globe. We had a record turnout for our ten-year reunion, and we hope to see even more of you for our 15th Reunion this fall. New jobs, new cities, new degrees, new marriages and new babies – this group has accomplished a lot since our last reunion. We have a lot to be proud of and times to reminisce about, so join us on Saturday, May 29, 2021 for Reunion Weekend. We look forward to seeing you all at Havergal for the Reunion Years Cocktail Reception, followed by our exclusive class of 2005 event. Keep your eyes peeled for more details on the reunion coming soon. Draw the circle wide!

BIRTHS

Brenna Whyte – a daughter Heather Love Adams – a son Kristina Valjas May – a son Caleigh Hall Silmser – a son Carolyn Werry – a son Justine Lopez – a daughter Lindsay Grand Anstett – a daughter Kate Lamont – a son Bridget Heslin-da Silva McKellar – a son

CLASS OF 2006

CLASS OF 2006 ENDOWMENT FOR GLOBAL OUTREACH \$121,309

CLASS REPS: Sarah Bacon Bush, Laura Cheung and Margaret Flatley

Sarah Bacon Bush and her husband Griffin (Crescent '06) are enjoying life with their busy toddler, Wesley, born in July 2018. Sarah is looking forward to graduating from her psychiatry residency at the University of Toronto this year and to starting a job in medical psychiatry at UHN. Brittany Best Garverick is living with her family in a suburb of Chicago, where she is opening a private practice offering psychological services, including psychological evaluations, individual and family therapy and mental performance training for athletes. Her son Sam is now two-and-a-half. Laura Cheung accepted a partnership at the family medicine practice where she completed her training. She and her husband bought their first home in October. Dale **Findlay** is completing her nursing practitioner master's at McMaster. She continues to work as a registered nurse at the Sunnybrook family health team and feels lucky to be able to work while in grad school. Also, huge congrats to Dale for finishing first place in the Toronto Marathon in May 2019!

Alex Latta married Owen Brown (RSGC '06) in Toronto on May 9th, 2020. Owen's mother Patti Belton Brown 1976, grandmother Josephine Belton 1936 and both of his sisters, Alex Brown 2002 and Randall Brown 2004, graduated from Havergal. Jennifer Latta 2004, Jamie McGregor and Whitney Bloom were bridesmaids. On the East Coast, Claire Halstead married Kyle Hartlen on August 3rd, 2019, in the Annapolis Valley, Nova Scotia.

Tiffany Wang is living in Bristol and welcomed her

daughter on March 2, 2019. **Natalie Khmelnitsky Kishnovsky** and husband Amir had their son Elliot Aaron on June 1, 2019. Finally, **Lindsay Cowie Hider** welcomed her son Miles Matthew on February 8, 2020.

Next year is our 15th Reunion!

MARRIAGES

Alex Latta to Owen Brown Claire Halstead to Kyle Hartlen

BIRTHS

Sarah Bacon Bush – a son Jamie McKay – a son Tiffany Wang – a daughter Natalie Khmelnitsky Kishnovsky – a son Lindsay Cowie Hider – a son



Claire Halstead 2006 married Kyle Hartlen.

CLASS OF 2007

CLASS REPS: Danielle Kasperavicius, Sarah Riedlinger and Karen Stanley

Michela Comparey started a new job at Waterfront Toronto in December and got a dog. Her brass band was to go to the North American championships again in April 2020. **Caroline Rumble Davidson** welcomed a baby girl, Hazel, on August 31, 2019. Big sister Ivy, born February 20, 2018, is thrilled! **Emily Fernandes** married Carsen Banister and planned to visit Patagonia in spring 2020. She is headed into her final year of residency and enjoys exploring mountains in all seasons. She is most often found rock climbing, snowshoeing or cross-country skiing.

Lindsay Brent was awarded the RBC 2020 Global Citizen Award and planned to head to Kenya in May 2020 with Me to We. Lindsay is the recipient of the Women in Capital Markets 2019 Outstanding Volunteer Award for her involvement in the high school liaison programming. Lindsay encourages young women to pursue careers in STEM. When she isn't working at RBC as a VP, Lindsay can be found building a cabin on an island in Huntsville and working on her yoga teacher training.

Ann Kwon got married to Ian Rutkofsky and is completing a pathology fellowship at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center (MDACC) in Houston. Danielle Kasperavicius married Jeremy Grant last

CLASS OF 2007 GREEN SCHOOL FUND TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$118,367

summer. They were joined on the dance floor by **Sara Doucet, Christina Oh** and **Andrea Bertossi**. Danielle and Jeremy enjoy searching the world for the delicious bakeries and cocktail bars. Recommendations are always welcome!

Karen Stanley is the proud owner and manager of Urban Bulk & Refill, a low-waste bulk food and refill shop for soaps, household cleaners and personal care products in Leslieville. "BYOContainer" is encouraged, as are visits from old friends. **Kendra Kesty** got her first "real" job! Kendra works in private practice as an ObGyn in Winston Salem, NC.

Anne-Marie Firth graduated from her MBA at Wharton in 2018 and has been at Bain in Houston since then. Anne-Marie is currently living between Houston and Toronto and enjoys time with family and her outstanding dog. **Sarah Riedlinger** was recently promoted to group account director at Rethink Communications. She has been with the advertising agency for the past five years, leading the IKEA Canada and The Princess Margaret Cancer Foundation accounts. **Hannah Walter** now lives in Bermuda with her husband Alex, after living in the U.K. for seven-and-a-half years. Since moving to the island, she has been building a dance therapy practice. If things weren't busy enough, she also welcomed a little boy, Liam, into the world this past December.

MARRIAGES

Emily Fernandes to Carsen Banister Ann Kwon to Ian Rutkofsky Danielle Kasperavicius to Jeremy Grant

BIRTHS

Caroline Rumble Davidson – a daughter Hannah Walter – a son Celine Ko – a daughter

husband Vince Liu and their daughter Leia.

Celine Ko 2007 with her

CLASS OF 2008

CLASS REPS: Carolyn Gooderham, Alexandra Rolland and Andaleeb Shariff

The Class of 2008 had an incredible year. Other than celebrating our 30th birthdays (for most of us), we also had some great accomplishments, of which we would like to share a few. **Steph Long** is a second-year PhD student at McGill University; her research is at the intersection of medical research and machine learning as she aims to develop a more efficient and less expensive clinical trial. **Courtney Potts** completed her residency, is now working as a locum in Nova Scotia and will be moving to Toronto to begin her practice there come spring. **Shea Black** continues to coach girls softball, recently founding a new program for the Etobicoke Girls Softball League. This year her team achieved a record season, winning six gold medals, including the provincial championship.

A few of our old girls have returned home to Toronto. After four years working as an environmental activist in Whitehorse, Yukon, Julia Duchesne is now pursuing a master's of journalism at Ryerson University. She will be working at the *National Observer* this summer. Carly Green is back in the city and working as a pediatric dentist. Danielle (Danni) Chu is practicing competition/antitrust and foreign investment law with Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP. Sarah (Spear) Rhind, who returned home from N.Y.C., has a son named Jack. Kirsten (Wong) Hannay also welcomed a son named Finlay. Growing her family as well, Francine Lopez, who became a dentist this year, is expecting a baby girl this summer.

Some of our class are pursuing exciting endeavours outside Canada. **Olympia Kiriakou** is still teaching at Florida Atlantic University. She recently published her first book called *Becoming Carole Lombard: Stardom, Comedy,*

CLASS OF 2008 ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$168,201

and Legacy. Geneva Long was incredibly honoured to be recognized on the Forbes Under 30 List this past year. Zehra Hassan is living in Karachi and last year got to the base of Mt. Everest. Christie Campbell finished a 3000 km hike in New Zealand, moved to Vancouver and is now in-house counsel at MEC. Alex Mingay is completing her residency at NYU Brooklyn and will be getting married this year.

Speaking of nuptials, **Brittany-Leighe (Brit) Welton** got married to Mark Eisner on February 29, 2020 – a leap year wedding! **Jamie Shea** got engaged at the top of Whistler Mountain and is getting married this summer in Prince Edward County where she will be joined by **Jen McCain** and **Emily Murphy Strevens** as part of her bridal party.

As for your class representatives, **Alexandra Rolland** is still living in the United Kingdom. She consulted on the International Planned Parenthood Federation global reform process, and is now working on reproductive and sexual health projects with Options Consultancy Services. **Andaleeb (Andi) Shariff** still lives in upstate New York and practises as a family physician. She was surprised with a proposal on the top of New York City last year at sunset and was so stunned she almost forgot to say "yes". **Carolyn Gooderham** celebrates five years working at SickKids, and continues to learn to play hockey (she can almost stop!).

MARRIAGES

Brittany-Leighe (Brit) Welton to Mark Eisner

BIRTHS

Sarah Spear Rhind - a son Kirsten Wong Hannay - a son

CLASS OF 2009 ~ 10th Reunion



The Class of 2009 had fun at their 10th Reunion last fall.

CLASS REPS: Caitlin Collis, Elizabeth (Elizabeth) McNeil and Jessica Mealia

Emma Romano accidentally had a *Lord of the Rings*-themed wedding, won some legal battles for her clients (including one at the Ontario Court of Appeal), became an aunt, and very much enjoyed reliving her youth in the Grad common room during the 10-year Reunion at Havergal. It has been particularly nice to watch some of her close pals from high school start and grow their own businesses, make exciting careers moves to new companies, cities and countries, and generally continue to love and support one another.

Elizabeth McNeil recently co-founded a non-profit, HOOPLA, aiming to support and empower women towards self-advocacy through workshops and corporate events. She continues to travel, bake and, like any good millennial, post lots of photos of her doing these things on Instagram.

Naomi Melvin stars as the animated character Leo in *Leo's FishHeads*, which airs on TVOKids and is targeted at school age children. To complement her work in digital media and to actively get involved in the Havergal community, she has proudly taken on the role of HOGA's social media chair as of August 2019.

Emily Macrae is a policy advisor at the Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and a co-organizer with Civic Tech Toronto,

where she hacks on projects to support public spaces and public services. Alistair Macrae is clean shaven and ahead of the trend on Stoicism.

CLASS OF 2009 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$\$288,323

In the past year, **Ali MacKellar** has managed a traumatic brain injury (TBI), adopted a sweet rescue pup named Ru and started her own business. Although she continued to deal with post-concussion symptoms, Ali took life by the balls and launched her own inclusive fitness business, creating a feel-good fitness community for outsiders, rebels and radical people. She focuses on creating a welcoming fitness environment for beginners, queer folx and people with chronic illness and injuries to find their strength and reap the mental health benefits that come with movement. Get more info at alimackellar.com

Stephanie Miller Pringle gave birth to her first baby, a daughter, on March 15, 2020. Her name is Claire Evelyn Pringle – Havergal Class of 2038.

MARRIAGES

Emma Romano to James Shields

BIRTHS

Stephanie Miller Pringle - a daughter

CLASS OF 2010 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$161,011

CLASS REPS: Delara Alameddine and Olivia Parry

Yet again, the class of 2010 has had a very busy and exciting year! **Alexandra Brickman** was married to Taylor Mann. **Rachel Gladstone** is graduating from Queen's Medical School and beginning her residency in obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Toronto. **Mira Daljeet** is currently in her second year of orthodontics residency at the State University of New York at Buffalo. She is now engaged and will be getting married and graduating in the summer of 2021! **Vivien Sung** is completing her MBA at Harvard Business School. **Natasha Ahn** is enjoying her first year of pediatric residency at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh.

Caitlin Martin graduated top of both her majors in her second degree at University of Toronto after performances with Opera Atelier in *The Marriage of Figaro and Idomeneo* in Toronto. She won an international research fellowship to study evolutionary genetics in a paleogenomics lab in Paris, France. She continues to paint, dance, skate and perform as an aerial skills artist!

Our class will be celebrating our 10-year anniversary and we look forward to catching up! Due to COVID-19, Reunion Weekend has been shifted to May 29 and 30, 2021.

MARRIAGES

Alexandra Brickman to Taylor Mann

CLASS OF 2011

CLASS REPS: Keira Azzopardi, Shivani Kalra, Chantal Li and Allison Spiegel

No news was submitted this year! Please contact your

Class Reps or the Old Girls office at 416.483.3519 ext. 4706 or oldgirls@havergal.on.ca to let us know what you've been up to.

TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$169,635

CLASS OF 2012

CLASS REPS: Stephanie McCall McFarland, Danielle Meschino, Anne (Annie) Riedlinger and Elena Vorvis

Marija Janjos works as a partner program manager at Ritual and, in her spare time, organizes panel discussions and networking events for women in tech. **Jocelyn Nullmeyer** works as a physiotherapist at the Toronto Athletic Club. After two years in London, England, **Alyssa Muzyk** moved to Vancouver and is looking forward to enjoying the west coast lifestyle.

The following classmates qualified as Chartered Professional Accounts: **Catherine Chiu, Emma Macintosh, Stephanie McFarland (McCall)**. Catherine works at EY in Sydney, Australia. Emma works in the investment banking division of RBC.

Miriam Gladstone moved to Montreal and started her

CLASS OF 2012 ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$140,047

first year in the MD program at McGill University. Lindsay Newman will receive her MD this year from McMaster University and has applied to complete a residency in pediatrics. Danielle Meschino received her MD last year from the University of Toronto and received the Cody Gold Medal for the student with the highest honours in the four years of the program.

The Class of 2012 enjoys watching many different Netflix shows!

MARRIAGES

Diana Li to Mark Kim Hayley Machat to Chandler Halcyon Stephanie McCall to Jeffrey McFarland Annie Riedlinger to Adam Petralli



Annie Riedlinger 2012 and her husband Adam Petralli.



Diana Li 2012 and her husband Mark Kim.



Camilla Pucholt 1993 took this photo of Stephanie McCall McFarland 2012 and her husband Jeffrey McFarland.



Hayley Machat 2012 and her husband Chandler Halcyon.

CLASS REPS: Jamie Albaum, Rebecca Hoffer and Lauren Sanders

This past year, **Alison Chang** was in one of Vancouver's best-performing immersive theatre shows, called *Deep Into Darkness*, and also booked and shot her first network TV gig.

Filomena Harmantas is attending her second year of law school at the University of Toronto's Faculty of Law. **Shannon Dowling** has been living in San Diego, working as a software engineer and pursuing extreme sports. She has completed 350 skydives and recently started learning how to fly a wingsuit.

Katarina Cheley is currently finishing her diploma for UI UX design and hopes to move to New York in the next year or so. **Jamie Albaum** lives in Washington, D.C., where she works as the development manager at a *pro bono* human rights law firm. She works directly with the State Department and other foreign ministries worldwide on business development opportunities in transitional justice and peace negotiations in postconflict countries. At the moment, she is developing projects in Bangladesh, South Sudan, Iraq and Libya.

CLASS OF 2013 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$197,945

Savannah Richardson started a new job in new student transition at UWaterloo, adopted a puppy and bought a house with her partner. Sydney Lau completed her MS in human genetics and is working as a genetic counsellor in New York City. Sierra Bokor is in her first year of a master's of science in occupational therapy at the University of Toronto.

Lexi Ensor lives in Toronto and works at a consulting firm in public affairs and management consulting. She's been heavily involved with the Liberal party and will be beginning her first term as chair of the HOGA Governance Committee in the coming months. Ellen Ferris finished her master's in urban and regional planning at U of T last spring and is working as a land-use planner at a firm called MHBC.

Annie Rueter graduated from the University of British Columbia's graduate school of journalism last May and is now working in Vancouver as a podcast producer at a company called Pacific Content. **Kate Dotsikas** graduated in September 2019 from her MSc in population health at University College London in the U.K. She now works in London at UCL's division of psychiatry as a National Institute of Health Research pre-doctoral fellow.

CLASS OF 2014 ~ 5th Reunion

CLASS OF 2014 BURSARY TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$114,314



The Class of 2014 celebrated its 5th Reunion last fall.

CLASS REPS: Nicolette Carnella, Rachelle Li and Roslyn McCall

Rachelle Li recently graduated with a bachelor of science and an artist's performance in music, played at the Junos, travelled to Croatia and has been fuelling her love for baking and cooking by trying new recipes for family and friends. She is enjoying her first year of dentistry at the University of Western Ontario.

Erica Laver is in her third year in the hospitality and tourism management program at the Ted Rogers School of Business at Ryerson University. She is excited to be

spending the semester in Edinburgh studying as part of the tourism, hospitality, festival and event management program at Edinburgh Napier University. Erica has been having a great time exploring Europe and seeing Havergal Old Girls abroad!

Victoria (Tory) O'Driscoll is in her second year of medical school at the University of Toronto and concurrently enrolled in a master's of science program with a concentration in systems leadership and innovation. Tory is particularly interested in quality improvement research and has enjoyed working on a project at Mount Sinai Hospital.

CLASS REPS: Tessa Buchan, Sara Gilchrist and Rachel (Alex) Harrison

This past year was an exciting one for the Class of 2015, with many girls completing their undergraduate degrees and moving into the next chapter of life. Some 2015 grads are continuing school in pursuit of graduate degrees. Erin Caplice graduated from St. FX University and is pursuing a doctorate of chiropractic in Toronto at the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College. Dayna Smockum has been living in Paris since September 2019, completing a master's in creative writing. She will be finished in August and returning to Toronto to begin a master's of journalism at Ryerson. Daniella Whitelaw has moved to Australia to continue her studies in architecture after having graduated from U of T. Sara Keshavjee just graduated from Cornell

University and is now attending Columbia Medical School in New York.

CLASS OF 2015 DAVID SUMNER BURSARY 154,152

Other 2015 grads that have moved to the Big Apple and are now living in New York City include Tessa Buchan, Sarah Burgess, Madison Crema, Kaitlyn Francis, Avalon Morell, Taylor Murrell and Susanna Manziaris. Some 2015 grads have found their way back to Toronto, including Grace Acan, who graduated from Acadia in the spring and now works at Me to We. Others who have begun their careers in Toronto include Sara Gilchrist, Katie Pittini, Sierra Singh and Hannah Lomax.

This coming year looks to be full of new adventures and experiences for our class, and we will celebrate our 5th Reunion in May of 2021.

CLASS OF 2016

CLASS REPS: Emily Dotsikas, Julia Mastroianni, Jessica Munk and Jane Yearwood

Madison Kennedy has been enjoying her last year at Western University, studying psychology and sociology. She looks forward to travelling this summer before exploring work opportunities in the fall.

After graduating from the University of Warwick, Vanessa Lo is now a co-founder of the app ZitMuk and founder of a yoga studio that aims to spread the importance of physical and spiritual well-being. She has also been volunteering to teach at multiple under-privileged schools while working as an investing banking agent.

Mengxuan Zhang is enjoying her fourth year of veterinary medicine in Edinburgh. Her biggest achievement last year was saving an emaciated baby pigeon behind the library.

Other than that, she just completed a summer project at the University of Cambridge, looking into the genetics of obesity in Labrador retrievers. During her free time, she competes for the University of Edinburgh in target rifle shooting and has won medals in both the Scottish and British leagues. She looks forward to working at the hospital in her final year and going to Colorado for an exchange program next spring.

IDAL EXPERIENCE BURSARY |\$112,289

CLASS OF 2016 GLOBAL EXPERIENCE BURSARY

After graduating from Queen's University, Jaimie Kidson will be returning to Toronto to work as an associate at Coactuate. It is a strategic design firm in Toronto that focuses on the pharmaceutical industry. Rachel Ziglestien will continue her studies at the University of Toronto after graduating from Queen's University. She will be studying to do a master's of applied science in chemical engineering.

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CLASS OF 2017 ENDOWMENT TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$\$120,775

CLASS REPS: Stephanie Higgs, Evelyn Silverson-Tokatlidis and Coco Wang

For **Lisa Wright**, a highlight of 2019 was having a relaxing weekend with **Stephanie Ross** and **Vienna Cimetta** at her cottage last summer. This year, Lisa studied at the National University of Singapore for one semester, and she was very excited to continue travelling around Southeast Asia for two months. Something that had an influence on Lisa in the past year was attending the Canadian Conference for Global Health in Ottawa, where she heard from professors and researchers with diverse academic backgrounds. To relax outside of classes, Lisa enjoys taking rhythmic cycling classes to escape from the "real world."

Evelyn Silverson-Tokatlidis' highlight of 2019 was becoming VP Varsity Affairs on the Varsity Council. She has become very involved with the varsity community at McGill and has found a home there. In 2020, Evelyn looks forward to continuing her studies in economics and international development. She is running for Varsity president to continue to be a part of the council in a higher leadership position. She had planned to backpack around Europe this summer. Evelyn's rugby team has continued to influence her to push harder on the field and in her studies.

For **Stephanie Higgs**, a highlight of 2019 was reuniting with **Alie Hunter** and **Alexia Luca** in July for an outdoor summer weekend in Dartmouth, Vermont. This year, Stephanie had the privilege of studying communications at Wilfrid Laurier University in Madrid for one semester and has enjoyed exploring Spain, meeting new people and the enriching Spanish culture. Stephanie was very fortunate to have spent quality time with both grandparents, who had a large influence on her life. Sadly, her grandfather passed away last November. Outside of classes and work, Stephanie enjoys teaching cycling and fitness classes and, in the warmer months, going outdoor back tripping and canoeing in northern Ontario with **Dina Curtos**.

Coco Wang was honoured to receive the WIT scholarship for entrepreneurship and innovation in New York this past February. She also won the grand prize at the Wharton Alliance Case Competition. Coco was looking forward to spending time this summer consulting for a startup in Bangalore, India.

CLASS OF 2018

CLASS REPS: Danya Assaf, Anne Broughton, Samantha Parker and Sarah Zhao

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CLASS OF 2019 ENDOWMENT TOTAL AS AT MAY 31, 2020 \$109,811

CLASS REPS: Quinn Danniels, Ana Langford and Catherine Thomas

The Class of 2019 has been engaging themselves in their first year beyond the life of Havergal.

Kyla Leong Poi busied herself with the dance and a cappella scene at the University of Waterloo. She took part in the UW Hip Hop drop, UW Performance Team, "Ace," and placed 4th in the International Championship of Collegiate Acapella Competition with "The Water Boys." **Ally Hutchison** is enjoying her first year at Sheridan College for the musical theatre program. When Ally is not busy with schoolwork during the week, she often travels to the city on the weekends to attend various auditions.

Sophie Cooke loved her first year at Queen's in the concurrent education program. She is planning to major in global development studies, a passion that sparked at Havergal, and is excited for all the opportunities to come. **Julianna Botros** has been committed to completing her training to qualify as a Kids Help Phone crisis responder. As well, when she is not busy with schoolwork at McMaster University, she spends her free time running swimming

lessons with adults with physical and intellectual disabilities.

Victoria Robertson is an editor on the George Washington University undergraduate law review and has declared her specialization in security policy under her international affairs degree. Victoria planned to be interning in the marketing department of Goodmans law firm this summer. **Quinn Danniels** spent her first year at university busy on the Ryerson fastpitch softball team and with her competitive powerlifting. She was proud to be a rookie on the fastpitch team, which came first in its division. Quinn also competed in the provincial powerlifting championships in the fall, achieving a gold medal and breaking all four provincial records. She has just started a new job at Sportsnet as she pursues a career in sports broadcasting.

Along with being on the club swim team and student assembly at Dartmouth College, **Gerol Fang** has been doing research on predictive analytics for hospital readmission at the Geisel Medical School. She hopes to become involved in a research project on Arctic Indigenous Peoples Health next term.

FORMER STAFF NEWS 2020

It was with sadness that we heard of the death of Upper School English teacher **Carolyn Box** last summer.

We lost a dear and much-loved former English teacher and administrator, **Rosemary Corbett** (vice-principal, head of curriculum), on January 20, 2020. A gathering at Havergal to remember was attended by Old Girls, former parents, present and former staff members and friends from the National Ballet School, the Ontario Alzheimer's Society and her book clubs. Mrs. Misson and **Naomi Buck 1990** said a few words, and there was a minute of silence for all to have their own special memories.

The only living person after whom a House was named, Marcelle De Freitas (Spanish, sewing and senior mistress), died in June 2019. A celebration of her life at Havergal on the day after Celebration Saturday was attended by present and former staff members, present students from her House and many Old Girls who were in Toronto for Reunion Weekend. The service was led by Reverend Stephanie Douglas Bowman (Junior School chaplain), who was assisted by The Reverend Canon Susan Sheen 1965. The Right Reverend Bishop Ann Tottenham 1958 gave the homily.

We were sad to learn of the death of former teacher **Lisa Haberman** (Upper School social sciences) just after Christmas. **Cecile Harvey Frances** (Grades 7 and 9 English) also died last summer.

Lynn Janes is the artistic director of the Oriana Singers of Northumberland, a 75-voice, mixed adult community choir. This is her second season, and she has planned an exciting season of music celebrating the choir's 50th anniversary. On Tuesday evenings, Lynn works with the Canadian Children's Opera Company as a conductor and junior division director. Her third choir is the Singing Pilgrims, a group of retired gentlemen who love to sing hymns and provide music to seniors' residences and local church groups. It's a busy time, but she is enjoying working



Former staff member Lynn Janes visited with Caroline Spearing and with Sommer Buttu and Phyllis Greenberg.

with all ages who live to sing! It's her dream job. Choirs, singing, festivals, adjudicating and private lessons but no report cards.

Norm Martin is still very busy singing with the Pax Christie Chorale and the Jubilate Singers. Not only does he sing with both groups, but he also prepares concert notes for the programs for all their performances.

This summer, Lynn Janes took two trips to Prince Edward County. The first was with **Sommer Buttu** (band); they connected with **Phyllis Greenberg** (English and guidance). The second trip was with **Caroline Spearing**, and they had dinner with **Larry Tayler** (Middle School English and drama) and his husband Bill. These former Havergal colleagues are staying connected.

Burke Paaterson (art and photography) has opened the United Contemporary Art Gallery. He wondered if he would miss teaching, as it had become such an important part of his life. He was a bit surprised that he did not, really. He wrote, "I think it is because in my role as a gallery director, I am finding all my itches are being scratched. The interaction with my artists is quite similar to my favourite parts about teaching, and the physical work of moving and installing art I really enjoy and always have."

Judy Ratcliffe 1952 was stunned and delighted to be the recipient of the Old Girls Life Achievement Award, which was presented at the Old Girls Annual Meeting and Dinner in November. The spontaneous chant from those



Former Staff Breakfast and Prayers. Back row: Brenda Robson, Larry Tayler, Sue Chenette, a guest, Louise Yearwood. Middle: Marna O'Brien, Ruthanne Wrobel, Gillian Ross, Jennie Davidson, Norm Martin, Eleanor Hirshfeld, Phyllis Greenberg, Barb Swanson, Carolyn MacDonald, Claudia Rogers, Kate Balsara-Pardoe, Barb Taylor. Front: Judy Ratcliffe 1952, Sharon Carere, Linda Goldspink, Louise Cholette-Rees, Vicky Morris, Cathy Hitchcock, Renata Duda, Leta Dayfoot, Darlene Sinnott, Sharon Doyle.

attending the event of: "Ratty, Ratty, Ratty" as she walked to the stage showed how appreciative people are of all that she has done and continues to do for her alma mater. Having been coached by Judy in several sports, Aimee Beeston 1994 knows her well and gave a witty but gentle roast as an introduction.



Former vice-principal and head of curriculum Rosemary Corbett, Lea Menear 1966 and Judy Ratcliffe 1952, physical education (seated).

Jean Sheppard (Upper School English) was contracted to write the history of the last 25 years of Havergal College's history, a follow-up to the 1994 book *Havergal: Celebrating a Century* by Mary Byers. The two records could not be more different, as Jean chose to develop an interactive read that tells the school's story from 1994 to 2019. It features audio recordings from Old Girls and current and former faculty and staff members, along with articles from school publications – including the *Torch, Ludemus, Behind the Ivy* and more – and videos and photos.

Lori Williams (head of guidance) and her husband lan really enjoy their hiking holidays. Their favourite place to walk is always the Yorkshire Dales, but two recent trips to Austria and Provence have offered up some fabulous landscapes and challenging climbs. She says they are always amazed when they make it! They also continue their work with the Midland Guest House, a shelter for the most challenged members of the community.



Former vice-principal, acting principal and French teacher Millie Hunter with Rosemary McIntosh 1968.

THANK YOU TO OUR OLD GIRL VOLUNTEERS!

Volunteerism is a proud tradition at Havergal. Our Old Girls give back to the college, sharing their time and talents in a variety of ways. Old Girl volunteers sit on committees, mentor one another and enrich the Havergal community with their experience and skills. Our heartfelt thanks to the hundreds of Old Girls who support the Havergal Old Girls Association - we couldn't do it without you!

DIRECTORATE

Represents the mission of HOGA – to connect and support the Old Girls community and to sustain a lifelong association between every Old Girl and the school.

Julie Crothers 1993, President Edwina Dick Stoate 1975, Past President Lexi Ensor 2013 Farah Ismail 1996 Alex Bittner Howard 2002 Anna McMeekin 2003 Elizabeth McNeil 2009 Naomi Melvin 2009 Lauren Palombo 2001 Julia Reid 2002 Sarah Riedlinger 2007 Hilary Young Riley 2003 Kendra Thompson 1996 Andrea Thomson 1993

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Eden Oliver 1978 Wendy Thompson 1967

ALUMNAE ENGAGEMENT

Develop and deliver a strategy, program and tools to maximize engagement among Old Girls and between Old Girls and Havergal

Sarah Riedlinger 2007

ANNUAL EVENTS

Develop and deliver a strategy and programs for the general HOGA membership, including Class Reunions, Grandchildren's Party, Stoneagers Luncheon and athletic events.

Anna McMeekin 2003, Co-Chair Hilary Young Riley 2003, Co-Chair

BEYOND THE IVY

Develop and deliver a strategy and programs in support of HOGA members residing beyond the GTA.

Andrea Racansky Thomson 1993, Chair Jessica Chan 2000

CAREER AND EDUCATION

Develop and deliver a strategy and programs in support of networking, mentoring, experiential learning, workshops, seminars and speakers in support of continuous learning of HOGA members and graduating students.

Lauren Palombo 2001, Co-Chair Julia Reid 2002, Co-Chair Tiffany Lew 2014 Nancy Ling 2001 Julia Moore 2006 Alessandra Palombo Sollazzo 2000

CLASS REPS

Develop and deliver a strategy and programs to engage class reps as HOGA ambassadors and as a link between HOGA members and Havergal.

Elizabeth McNeil 2009, Chair Aimee Beeston 1997 Rachel DeBlois 1992 Sarah Parry 1979 Edwina Dick Stoate 1975 Coco Wang 2017

COMMUNITY

Develop and deliver a strategy and programs in support of liaison between HOGA, Havergal, and Havergal's community partnerships, as well as understanding best practices of alumni associations at other independent schools.

Kendra Thompson 1996

GOVERNANCE

Maintain currency of HOGA by-laws, manage governance process, succession planning and recruitment of directorate members.

Lexi Ensor 2013, Co-Chair Farah Ismail 1996, Co-Chair Meredith Ashton Beales 1998 Julie Crothers 1993 Edwina Dick Stoate 1975 Katharine Brickman 2007

PUBLICATIONS

Support the Advancement and Community Relations Department in the development and delivery of a strategy and material for print and electronic publications, including the Chronicle, Torch and Connections.

Alex Bittner Howard 2002, Chair Niamh Barry 2009 Katharine Brickman 2007 Naomi Buck 1990 Lexi Ensor 2013 Catharine Heddle 1989 Allison MacLachlan 2005 Tara Dermastja Scott 1998 Julia Stanley Weaver 1978

SOCIAL MEDIA

Support the Advancement and Community Relations Department in the development and delivery of a strategy and material for social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc.) relating to HOGA. Naomi Melvin 2009, Chair Elle Kitchen 2011 Katherine Ledgett 1999

SPECIAL DELIVERY TEAM

These alumnae went to great pains to make the delivery of graduation packages as memorable as possible. Thank you for celebrating members of the class of 2020.

Jessica Chan 2000 Donna Clarke 1984 Sandra de Marchena 1967 Christelle Harris 2001 Pearl Ho 2011 Natalie Lazarus Murray 1993 Florence Pang 2014 Louise Rang Nicholson 1990 Jennifer Ross 1987 Tanya Shirley 1994 Shelagh Speers 1973 Anna Thwaites Wallace 1992 Andrea Wong 2001 Michele Yeung 1995

CLASS REPS

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Naomi Sedgwick Schafler 1983 Mary McDerment Wellner 1984 Linda Oland 1984 Melinda Taylor 1984 Louise Stevenson 1985 Cathy Wright Southey 1985 Gina Ogilvie 1985 Lisa MacLatchy Naprawa 1986 Amy Gaskin 1986 Martha Hart McDougall 1987 Tralee Pearce 1987 Lillian Tang Smith 1988 Jane Langford 1988 Tiffany Park Mason 1989 Laura Cuddie 1990 Lina Fancy 1991 Rachel DeBlois 1992 Dale McIntosh 1992 Andrea Racansky Thomson 1993 Tamara Kolber 1993 Mariam Marandi 1993 Amy Schlueter 1993 Aimee Beeston 1994 Tory Perkin 1994 Deirdre Horgan Horgan MacLeod 1995 Catherine Nicholson 1995 Lisa Rossiter-Thornton 1995 Jennifer McCarthy Bidwell 1996 Jennifer (Jenny) Lamont 1996 Kendra Thompson 1996 Signe McDonald Scammell 1997 Allison Jelley 1997 Sarah Tennant 1997 Amanda Karahanas 1998 Jessica Cook 1999 Angela Fenwick 1999 Jessica Oliver 1999 Robin Smulders Richmond 2000 Kelly Thompson Polci 2000 Frances Anne (Frances) Black Strauss 2001 Jessica Sheehan Arakgi 2001 Victoria (Tory) Clarke 2001 Caitlin Peddie Stark 2002 Sarah Rea 2002 Laura Stoll Womersley 2003 Hilary Young Riley 2003 lordan Hartkorn 2003 Jennifer Lui 2003 Stephanie Applin 2004 Laura Heaphy 2004 Kate (Katie) Karfilis 2004 Vanessa Rambihar 2004

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EVENTS 2020-2021

Schedule may change as required by pandemic protocols. Please check **havergal.on.ca/oldgirls/events** for the latest information.

OCTOBER 2020

Connecting and Celebrating -Awards Dinner & AGM Tuesday, October 20, 6:00 p.m. Reception

Ellen Knox Library

Dinner and AGM

Tuesday, October 20, 6:30 p.m. Brenda Robson Hall Honouring the recipients of the Havergal Old Girls Life Achievement Award and the Dr. Susan Ditchburn Young Alumna Award, and thanking our Class Reps.

DECEMBER 2020

Carol Service

Wednesday, December 16 7:00 p.m. St. Paul's Bloor Street Old Girls and family members welcome! APRIL 2021

Founders' Day Thursday, April 22 9:00 a.m. All Old Girls welcome!

MAY 2020

Cinquantenaires and Stoneagers Spring Luncheon Tuesday, May 4 12:00 p.m. Havergal College

Grad Brunch / University Transition Event Wednesday, May 5 11:30 a.m.

Havergal College Our newer Old Girls help the Class of 2021 prepare for life after Havergal.

Havergal Grandchildren's Party

Tuesday, May 25 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Havergal College Old Girls and family members welcome!

CELEBRATION WEEKEND

Celebration Saturday Saturday, May 29 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Havergal College All Old Girls and family members welcome!

Reunion Years Cocktail Reception

Saturday, May 29 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Havergal College For class years ending in 5 or 0, and 6 or 1

50th Reunion Brunch

Sunday, May 30 10:30 a.m. Havergal College For Old Girls from the Classes of 1970 and 1971

Stoneagers Tea

Sunday, May 30 2:00 p.m. Havergal College For Old Girls from the Classes of 1960 and 1961





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2020 Old Girls Annual Dinner

Tuesday, October 20, 2020



Eileen de Villa 1987 2020 Havergal Old Girls Life Achievement Award Recipient



Anne Matthews 2003 2020 Dr. Susan Ditchburn Young Alumna Award Recipient

Please join us for this special evening to honour the 2020 award-winners and recognize the work of our dedicated Class Reps.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2020

Reception: 6:00 p.m., Ellen Knox Library Dinner and AGM: 6:30 p.m., Brenda Robson Hall

Tickets \$50 Special \$40 ticket price for Stoneagers and recent graduates (2015-2020)

Purchase your ticket by contacting senior alumnae officer Dainah Ramsay at 416.483.3519 ext. 4706 or dramsay@havergal.on.ca by October 6, 2020.



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