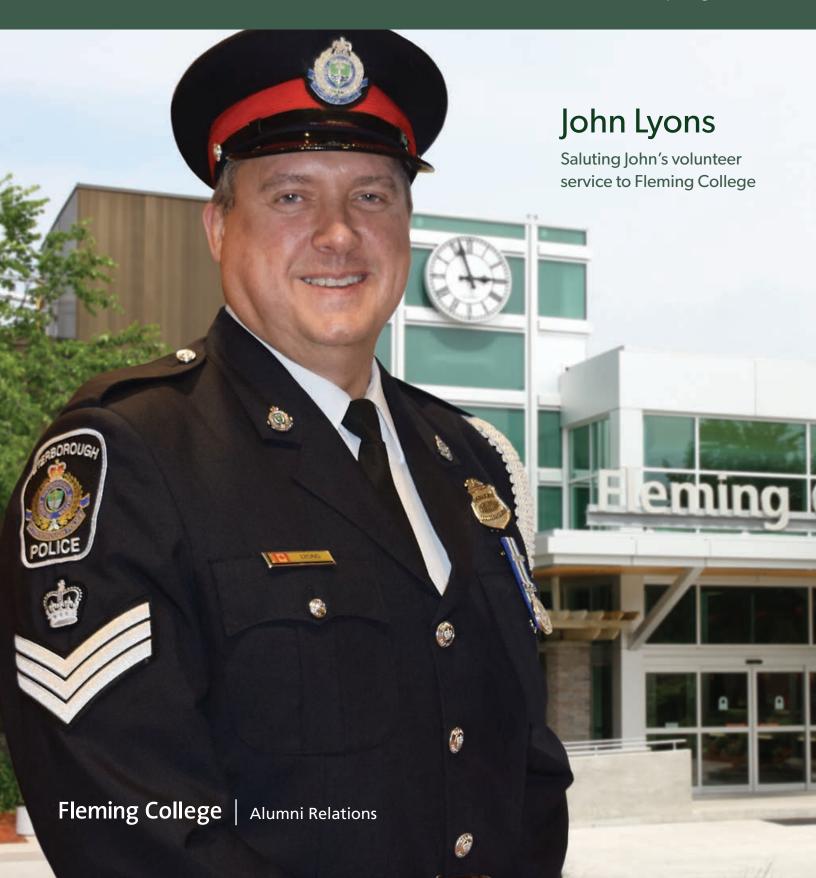
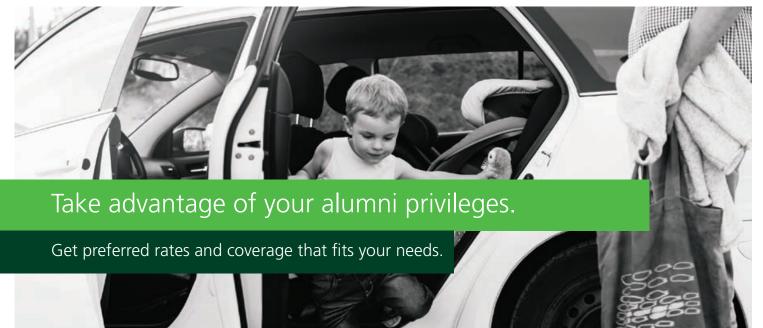
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## Join the Fleming Alumni, Students, and Faculty Group on LinkedIn

Alumni, students, and faculty of Fleming College have an opportunity to network with one another in fields of interest. For alumni who are interested in mentoring students, please list "Mentorship" in the "Interests" category of your LinkedIn profile. This group is exclusive to alumni, students, and employees of Fleming College.



For many of us at Fleming College, September is known a time of fresh starts as our students begin their academic year.

However, the season of spring more traditionally celebrates new beginnings as we transition out of winter into greener grass, budding trees, and better weather. At Fleming, during this time, we celebrate new beginnings for our graduates who are finishing their programs, ready to set off on new adventures. This spring, the College, as an institution, will experience its own renewal as we launch large renovation projects at both Sutherland and Frost campuses. With the assistance of funding from the federal and provincial governments, Fleming will undertake the renovations to improve classroom and lab space as well as social and study spaces for students.

The facilities at each campus that are undergoing renovation have not been updated since their original construction in the early 1970s. As such, each project will include important improvements to equipment, technology, labs, and overall sustainability. We are excited about the opportunities these updates will create for the College and for our students.

The timing of the renovation is particularly significant as we celebrate Fleming College's 50th anniversary in 2017. Stay tuned for more information on the fun events and activities we are planning this fall to celebrate this important milestone.

#### Sincerely,

G.A. (Tony) Tilly, Ph.D., President, Fleming College

#### **NEW DIRECTOR of Advancement and Alumni Relations**

L eading the entire College in philanthropy and alumni relations is the new Director of Advancement and Alumni Relations, Sandy Marett.

Sandy is a Peterborough resident who comes to Fleming with over a decade of experience in the non-profit sector. Most recently Sandy spent nearly 10 years with York University leading two faculties in their fundraising and alumni relations endeavours. Sandy's expertise is in major and legacy giving,

corporate sponsorship, events and alumni relations. She holds a Master's degree from York University, a BA from Western University and is a Certified Fund Raising Executive.

In her short period of time with Fleming, Sandy's passion for education has significantly progressed donor cultivation and alumni engagement. She is diligently working to enhance the



culture of philanthropy at Fleming College and pave greater opportunities for alumni, the private sector and our communities to be inspired by and support important programming that matters most to our students and their future employers.

"I'm thrilled to join Fleming College. 2017 is a big year with 50th anniversary celebrations and the launch of two major capital fundraising campaigns that will help to revitalize the Frost and Sutherland campuses," says Sandy. "I look forward to building relationships with donors, alumni and friends and

helping them foster and maintain a lifelong connection to Fleming College."

Please join us in welcoming Sandy Marett to Fleming College. She can be reached at (705) 749-5530 ext. 1415 or sandy.marett@flemingcollege.ca.

#### **NEW DEAN of SENRS, Frost Campus**

Brett Goodwin has joined Fleming College as the new Dean of the School of Environmental and Natural Resource Sciences (SENRS) and the Principal of the Frost Campus.

Goodwin comes from the University of North Dakota where he was a professor and had been the Director of Graduate Studies and the Chair of the Biology department for a number of years. Goodwin is very enthusiastic about looking for new ways to teach and has won several awards for his innovative approaches to the teaching and learning process. He has numerous papers published on his research around habitat development and preservation involving prairies, grasslands, wetlands and forests, various species at risk and the effects of climate change on various species of insects and animals.



#### **CULTIVATING STUDENT SUCCESS**

Are you interested in supporting Fleming College's vision to offer the best possible learning opportunities for our students?

Philanthropy of all kinds benefit our College and make it possible for us to fulfil our mission to excel in education.

We invite you to spend a few minutes exploring the different ways in which you can help us through a number of projects and campaigns. Reach out to us if you would like further information on any of our initiatives.

www.flemingcollege.ca/giving-to-fleming

#### WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME you updated your Alumni Record?

Did you know that you are responsible for updating your alumni record when you move, change your name, or use a new e-mail account? It is also important to include additional education accomplishments, awards and recognition and employment status.

We ask that if you haven't updated your Alumni Record lately, to take a few minutes online now to bring your record up to date.

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# Get involved!

Whether you earned your diploma several years ago or as recent as yesterday, here are ways to stay connected to your alma mater:

- \* Enjoy your Alumni Perks discount program
- Tell fellow grads what you are up to now in a Class Note for Fleming Ties
- \* Share your experience and expertise as a guest speaker or submit a guest editorial for *Fleming Ties*
- Join our LinkedIn Alumni, Students and Faculty Group and social media groups
- \* Organize a class reunion
- Attend an event to help grow your personal and professional networks
- Nominate a graduate for a Premier's Award for outstanding college graduates
- Make a donation in support of Fleming student success, your future alumni friends

For more ways to get involved, visit www.flemingcollege.ca/alumni



#### **50 AMAZING YEARS**

It has been 50 amazing years since Sir Sandford Fleming College was established in 1967. We are 73,000 graduates strong!

Visit our website for 50th anniversary related activities. www.flemingcollege.ca/50



# A Fleming connection comes full circle

An uneasy adventure that started by moving away from his hometown of Gananoque, ON to study at Sir Sandford Fleming College prospered into a rich life for alumnus John Lyons. It was a decision that defined the course of his life.

Arriving for his first morning of classes, Lyons walked through Fleming's door feeling nervous and alone. By the afternoon, he knew a welcome environment surrounded him. He was greeted by friendly staff and faculty, he recognized neighbours from his hometown and he realized he wasn't alone—the genial classmates next to him were just as anxious as he was.

The Fleming adventures continued for Lyons in and out of the classroom, mostly in Fleming's Blind Goat Pub—he'll tell you, "studying of course!"

With much academic success, Lyons graduated from the Law and Security Administration – Customs Administration with his Class of 1984; shortly thereafter, securing a position with the Peterborough Police Services as a General Patrol Officer.

It was the starting point of Lyons setting roots in Peterborough. He met and married his wife Kelly, raised a son and a daughter and continued advancing his career with the city's police service. He earned promotions to Detective of the Criminal Investigations Unit, Sergeant, Major Crime Detective Sergeant, Staff Sergeant, Acting Inspector, Major Case Manager and Detective Staff Sergeant and Team Policing Co-ordinator within his 31-year career. Throughout his career, Lyons has been honoured with a number of awards including the Mayor's Award for Community Sport Betterment in 2008, the Community and Race Committee Award for Innovation in Police Services Hate Bias Crime Tracking in 2009, and a team OPP Accolade Award for exceptional performance and investigative achievements of a murder investigation in 2015.

Although he has surpassed his retirement date, Lyons is still passionate about his career, and he remains a strong influence and an every-day hero in the eyes of the Peterborough community.

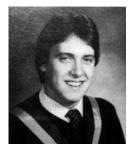
Family and career are not the only things that provide fulfillment. Lyons is an avid volunteer. He takes his commitments to community beyond expectations, demonstrating his leadership and influence through his many volunteer experiences. In support of youth,

Lyons has coached sports teams, he created and delivered 'Downtown Safety' presentations for postsecondary students, he assisted with and implemented a 'Swim to Survive' drowning prevention program with firefighters, paramedics and aquatic facilities that school boards across the province have since adopted and he developed a Grade 10 Civics course curriculum.

In support of community organizations, Lyons has volunteered as a member and the Board Chair for PARN (Community Aids Resource Network), he was the Police Chair for United Way Peterborough and District, a Board Member for the Police Liaison Committee with GLBT Communities and, for more than 15 years, he was the President of the Municipal Employee's Credit Union. He still participates in Tim Horton's Camp Day, Walk a Mile in Her Shoes and Habitat for Humanity activities.

It is Lyons' volunteerism that brings his connection to Fleming College full circle.

In 2011, Lyons was invited to join the Alumni Advisory Council as a voice for more than 71,000 Fleming graduates



living and working around the world. He actively supported efforts to better connect Fleming with its alumni while leading a group of graduates in the development of the Alumni Strategic Plan. Two years later, he was elevated to the position of Chair. During that time,

Lyons made impactful decisions on behalf of alumni and took time to mentor students considering police services as a career. Upon completing his term as Alumni Advisory Council Chair, Lyons accepted another volunteer role as a member of Fleming College's 50th Anniversary Committee.

"Not only is Fleming College an important partner in our community, it provided me with one of most positive experiences of my life," says Lyons. "It is fulfilling for me personally to give something back to Fleming and support positive endeavors that benefit students, alumni and our community." John Lyons (Law and Security Administration – Customs Administration '84) is an avid community volunteer. His contributions support youth, community organizations and Fleming College.

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How Sir Sandford Fleming College influenced John Lyons' career success.

Watch the video: goo.gl/jl7OSK

# BIO SEQUENCER for high-tech training

Fleming College recognized their partners from OICR and Illumina at the Sutherland Campus in Peterborough on February 13. From left to right: Sandy Marett (Director, Advancement and Alumni Relations), Candace Gainer (Biotechnology Technologist), Lea Roque (Biotechnology Technologist), Ankit Patel (Biotech student), Dr. Tony Tilly (President), Jenna Eagles (Research Technician, OICR), Ashvin Mohindra (Biotechnology Program Coordinator), Krissy Bowering (Biotech student), Tanya Mohanta (Research Technician, OICR), Carol Kelsey (Dean, School of Justice and Community Development), Leila Matar (Biotech student), and Chelsie Meyers (Biotech student).

F leming's Biotechnology-Advanced students have received a significant boost to their career preparation with the help of The Ontario Institute for Cancer Research (OICR). Their investment in people is recognized through a very generous donation of an Illumina HiSeq DNA Sequencer to the Biotechnology-Advanced program, a benefit to Fleming College valued at \$600,000. This new equipment will provide students with handson experience using cutting-edge automated instruments that are utilized widely across the biotechnology industry.

"Some of the best technicians in OICR's genomic labs are Fleming College graduates. We are proud to pay-it-forward by helping the College give future life sciences researchers in Ontario hands-on training opportunities on real genomics equipment." says Paul Krzyzanowski, Program Manager of Genome Technologies, OICR. "Illumina equipment is the backbone of most sequencing labs and it's essential for today's students to become familiar with the complexity around these machines with hands-on experience." The remarkable relationship between OICR and Fleming College has flourished over the last nine years. With its state of the art facilities and research, OICR has become a highly sought after internship agency for Fleming students since the first placement student in 2008.

The support from OICR and Illumina helps Fleming College to lead the way in biotechnology training; contributing to excellence in academic programming that includes relevant experiences. The hands-on learning creates a positive impact towards the future of Fleming students and alumni, the success of employers and especially those who benefit from cancer research.

"We are very grateful for the Ontario Institute of Cancer Research for their investment in our students," says Biotechnology Program Coordinator Ashvin Mohindra. "OICR provides a practical training component through their in-kind gifts and placement opportunities for our students. With their help, we are also pleased to meet OICRs employment needs which is proven with the hiring of more than 18 Fleming College graduates to fill their high-tech positions."

The in-kind donation would have not been possible without the tireless effort of OICR and Illumina, the sequencer manufacturer and third party liquid handler software provider. The College would like to specifically recognize and thank everyone at OICR who made these donations possible (Lee Timms, Jessica Miller, Paul Krzyzanowski, Tom Hudson, Mike Kostiuk, Susan Hockley, Jeremy Johns, and Howard Simkevitz) and the staff at Illumina for their tireless help and expertise in setting up the equipment (Lisa Lock, Peter Ayache and Mike Ramsey).

The OICR, a global leader in healthcare, research and innovation, is dedicated to exploring the prevention, early detection, diagnosis and treatment of cancer. Their commitment to exploring cancer extends beyond the lab; OICR invests in people who can make novel discoveries.

The Biotechnology – Advanced program prepares students to analyze forensic, DNA and other medical applications data in automated lab environments. For more information visit **www.flemingcollege.ca/programs/biotechnology-advanced** 

# Women in trades



Peterborough-Kawartha MP Maryam Monsef, Minister of the Status of Women.

More than 45 female high school students and their parents visited Fleming's Kawartha Trades and Technology Centre (KTTC) in February for the Women in Trades event. Guests learned from alumni, faculty and female skilled trades professionals during a mentor panel and Peterborough-Kawartha MP Maryam Monsef, Minister of the Status of Women, encouraged the young women to consider non-traditional occupation as a rewarding career. Students also

toured the KTTC and participated in trade demonstrations. Three area school boards—Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board, Trillium Lakelands District School Board, Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington Catholic District School Board—sponsored the event.



# **Employees Support Healthy Communities**

Fleming College's Sutherland Campus United Way team is thrilled to announce the final results of \$33,175. This achievement is one the College is proud of. The funds raised contribute to a healthy and vibrant community by creating opportunities for families in the Peterborough County and City who struggle with poverty and to help youth reach their potential through educational supports and life skills training.

Fleming College would also like to thank its Sutherland Campus partners who contributed to fundraising activities: DM Wills Associates Ltd., Ed Earl's Window Cleaning, Aramark (Food at Fleming), Dr. Tony Tilly, GDI, Peterborough Sport and Wellness Centre, Fleming Security and Parking, Darlene Sherwood, Jan Watson, Mike Peart, Swish and Troy Life and Fire Safety.

The Frost and Cobourg Campuses also raised money for their respective United Way communities.

"On behalf of the Executive Leaders Team, I would like to thank the organizing committees, canvassers and donors involved in our annual United Way workplace campaigns for the exceptional work they have done to make this year a success. To see these outstanding results for our United Way campaign demonstrates the strong commitment of Fleming College employees and students to assist United Way with their goal of moving people from poverty to possibility," said Fleming College President Dr. Tony Tilly.



Fleming's Sutherland Campus UW organizing team included from left to right: Lyn Giles, Carrie Truman, Fred Batley, Lisa Smith (United Way) Dr. Tony Tilly, Drew Van Parys, Greg Jefford, Gwyneth James (United Way Campaign Chair), and Stu Keenan. Missing: Barry Knight (Co-Chair) and Roseanne Manning.

# Chicken Farmers of Canada – Hockey Sponsorship

hank you to the Chicken Farmers of Canada for supporting Fleming College's 2016-2017 men's hockey team with a \$2,000 donation.

Their generosity will provide the extramural hockey team, who face off against other colleges

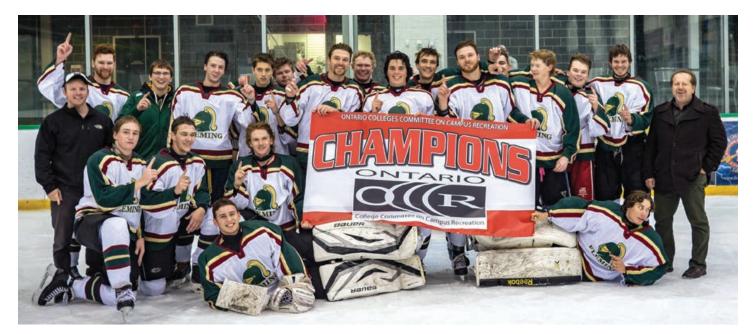


and universities in Ontario, with a new set of jerseys that will be introduced in the 2017-2018 season. The partnership aligns well since both organizations promote healthy living activities and choices that provide life balance in



mind, body and spirit. "Chicken Farmers of Canada

believes that the high quality chicken raised by Canada's 2,800 chicken farmers is an excellent protein choice that helps fuel Canadian professional and recreational athletes, as well as their families. The Fleming College hockey program is a great opportunity for students to pursue both academic and athletic excellence and we are proud to support them to achieve their goals," said Mike Dungate, Executive Director for Chicken Farmers of Canada.



The 2016–2017 Fleming men's hockey team captured the championship title in the Extramural Georgian Tournament held last November

### Women grow careers in trees

omen in Trees 2017 was an amazing success for the second year in a row. More than 150 women, including alumni, took an opportunity to network, learn and climb trees.

"It's an incredible day and age to be a woman in this industry. There were incredible women before us who helped pave the way and we're still paving it," said Julie Tucker (Parks and Recreation '04 "Things continue to evolve, and it's exciting to be a part of this change."

Being able to offer this event for free is amazing and the generous sponsorship from Hydro One allows us to do just that. It is important to grow the community of women involved or want to be involved in the urban forestry and related industries, Hydro One strongly supports this growth.

Visit www.flemingcollege.ca for more information about the Urban Forestry program.

Fleming's Frost Campus hosted the Women in Trees event in April, which aimed to inspire women to pursue careers in the Forestry and Urban Forestry industries.





A special gift unveiled during Bell Let's Talk Day at Fleming College supports mental health for students. From left to right: CMHA Manager of Development Kerri Davies (Nursing Assistant '92), Fleming President Dr. Tony Tilley, student Brad Morey, program co-ordinator Scott Fleming, Chemong Home Hardware's Mike Kingdon (Business '03 / Carpentry '07), student Mike Payne and Dean Maxine Mann.

#### CARPENTRY STUDENTS HELP 'RAISE THE BARN' AT LANG PIONEER VILLAGE

Fleming College and Peterborough County formed a partnership that involves utilizing the skills of students of the Kawartha Trades and Technology Centre to assist Mortlock Construction in building a new Peterborough County Agricultural Heritage Building at Lang Pioneer Village Museum. The project provides students with the ability to work alongside key industry players and learn the standards and the importance of high quality workmanship. Together with the community, the partners hosted an oldfashioned barn raising event on April 2 at Lang Pioneer Village Museum in Keene.

#### BENCHES CRAFTED FOR MENTAL HEALTH

As part of Bell Let's Talk Day on January 25, two Carpentry Apprentice students— Brad Morey and Mike Payne—unveiled benches that they designed and built in support of mental health at Frost and Sutherland campuses. The benches represent a physical space for people to come together and communicate or solely reflect. The benches are further intended to illustrate Fleming's commitment to developing, supporting and maintaining an environment for positive mental health. Fleming College is grateful for the generous donation of materials by Chemong Home Hardware's Mike Kingdon (Business Administration '03/ Carpentry '07). Find out more about our benches and trees donation online at www.flemingcollege.ca/trees



#### STUDENTS SHOW PHILANTHROPIC SPIRIT



At a pinning ceremony held at Sutherland Campus in April, the Class of 2017 Practical Nursing graduates generously donated revenue from their fundraising activities to Advancement and Alumni Relations. The gift was presented by classmates Amanda Hickey, Jillian Hartung and Kristen Gale (pictured, left to right). The gift will support Fleming alumni engagement activities in 2017-2018.

# **KNOWLEDGE FIRST FOUNDATION** Funds a Calm Learning Space

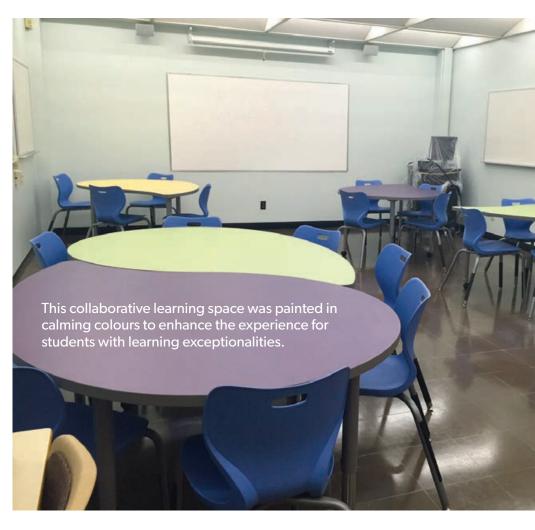
Abright, soft-coloured classroom greeted new and returning students of the Community Integration through Cooperative Education (CICE) program thanks to a generous donation from Knowledge First Foundation.

Students in the two-year CICE certificate program have developmental or intellectual disabilities, Autism Spectrum Disorder or brain injuries. With Knowledge First Foundation's gift of \$7,000 for classroom upgrades, Fleming College was able to create a calming and collaborative learning space that enhances the college experience for students with learning exceptionalities while helping them retain knowledge and reach their goals.

"The newly renovated classroom is a welcoming environment for CICE students," Judith Limkilde, Vice President, Academic. "The room was painted 'Mellow Blue' as colour therapy indicates that people on the Autism Spectrum react well to calming hues and we chose tables in shades of eggplant, goldenrod and light green with blue chairs that work well with the pale blue walls."

With wheels on the tables, students can join their work areas together to promote collaborative work in an active learning environment. New white boards further encourage group work and enable activities that require students share ideas pictorially. The furniture and white boards also enable students who require the use





of a wheelchair to actively participate with their peers. New blinds were installed, the floors were refreshed and a new wall mural was designed for the outside the classroom that helps to raise the profile of the CICE program.

"When you provide a beautiful space for students they respect it and they realize that the institution cares about them," says CICE Program Coordinator Joan Connolly. "They are enjoying the updates to their positive learning space."

"We are pleased to be the recipients of such generous and meaningful support provided through the Knowledge First Foundation. This funding made a tremendous impact on the success of our CICE students," said Lyn Giles, Senior Advancement Officer.

"When you provide a beautiful space for students they respect it and they realize that the institution cares about them."

– Joan Connolly

# New record for winter enrolment

#### Fleming College kicked off 2017 with record winter enrolment.

Verall, first-semester intake was 1,238 students, the highest in the College's 50-year history. The previous record high for winter start-up was 1,081 students in 2013. Winter enrolment for all students, both new and returning, is up three per cent over 2016.

Fleming also welcomed a record number of international students to its campuses. More than 460 new international students including 135 students at Frost Campus in Lindsay started at the College this January, an increase of 130 percent over January 2016. This increases the total number of international students by 70 percent to 874, with students attending from more than 25 different countries. "We are pleased to welcome

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up 3% Winter enrolment up over 2016 all of our new students to Fleming College. Our campus communities are thriving, diverse and collaborative – key aspects of an inspiring learning environment," said Fleming College President Tony Tilly. "I extend my thanks to our faculty and staff for their contributions in achieving this milestone. As we move forward, we will continue

to strive to offer the right blend of both unique and foundational programs, alongside a strong network of student supports and services."

#### ALUMNI ADVISORY COUNCIL

Your Fleming Alumni Advisory Council, the voice for Fleming alumni, met on April 13, 2017 to discuss ways to foster collaboration between alumni, Fleming College and the community. The group expressed their interests regarding the 50th anniversary celebrations, provided advice on alumni engagement strategies and presented ideas for hosting alumni-related activities. The next Council meeting will be held next fall.

If you are interested in joining the Council, please e-mail **paula.walton@flemingcollege.ca** to express your interest and request an application.

# Heron Instruments donate groundwater equipment

Groundwater equipment for the Resources Drilling and Blasting Program has been generously donated by Heron Instruments, a designer and manufacturer of high quality water level monitoring systems. This equipment, valued at \$3,500, will be used for post-secondary and contract training, exposing 40–80 new well technicians to Heron Instruments groundwater monitoring systems. This generous gift will enhance student achievements and help faculty to deliver excellent training.

"Heron Instruments is dedicated to supporting educational institutions by donating products for in-class or field demonstrations for Undergraduate, Co-op and Internship programs," says Mike Hare, Sales Manager at Heron Instruments. "Our equipment will help to shape the minds of new well technicians who may already be working for contactors around the province."



# Ontario celebrates 50th anniversary of college system



At Fleming's Sutherland Campus on April 10, the Goverment of Ontario announced it will provide more than \$1.7M to Fleming College in support of high-level learning. From left to right: City of Peterborough Mayor Daryl Bennett, Peterborough-Kawartha MPP Jeff Leal, Peterborough County Warden Joe Taylor and Fleming College President Dr. Tony Tilly.

n celebration of the 50th anniversary of Ontario's College System, the province is making a new investment in each of Ontario's 24 publicly assisted colleges to enrich the student experience.

Ontario is providing \$1,777,000 to help Fleming College deliver high-quality education that will give students the skills they need for the jobs of tomorrow.

"This investment will provide college students at Fleming with state-of-the-art materials including specialized software for teaching, new lab and shop equipment and technology to modernize existing classrooms and labs, that will ensure they have the right skills for a knowledge and technology-driven economy," said Peterborough-Kawartha MPP Jeff Leal. The funding will be used by Fleming College to invest in new technology, equipment and learning spaces that will revolutionize academic and hands-on training.

"In celebration of our 50th anniversary, Fleming College is grateful to receive this investment from the provincial government. It will support Fleming in undertaking major initiatives that enhance student learning," said Fleming College President Tony Tilly.

"We currently have two major renovation projects underway at our campuses in Peterborough and Lindsay. Both projects will benefit from this investment, and it will help us provide our students with equipment and learning environments in which they can continue to thrive and succeed."

Investing in post-secondary infrastructure is part of our plan to create jobs, grow our economy and help people in their everyday lives.

"Our government commemorates the growth and evolution of Ontario's college system, launched by Bill Davis, 50 years ago and the tremendous contribution they have made to our province's economic growth and vitality. This \$50 million investment will provide our students with access to leading-edge equipment and labs that will ensure they have the right skills for a knowledge and technology-driven economy," said Deb Matthews, Deputy Premier, Minister of Advanced Education and Skills Development and Minister Responsible for Digital Government.

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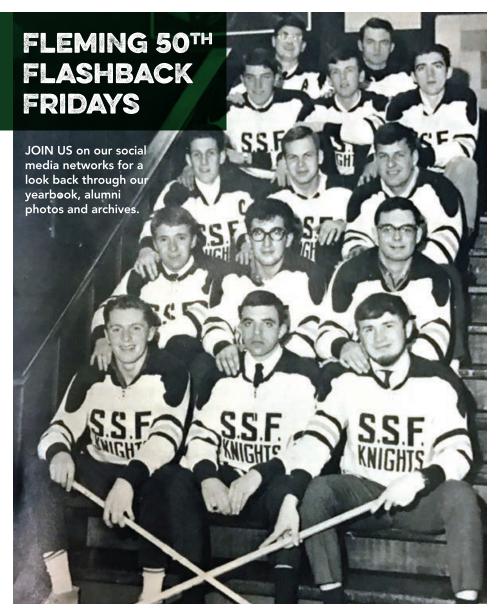
### **Celebrating 50 Years at Fleming**

Fleming College will host an anniversary celebration event at each campus in honour of its achievements over the past 50 years and successful years ahead. Haliburton Campus Sutherland Campus Frost Campus August 10 September 22 September 29 If you plan to organize a gathering with your class around our celebration date, Alumni Relations can help you: alumni@flemingcollege.ca.

## Fleming College Alumni | Toronto Social

President Dr. Tony Tilly and the Advancement and Alumni Relations Office hosted a 50th anniversary reception and networking event for alumni, from all years and programs, on May 17 at the Herman Miller Suite in Toronto. With nearly 8,000 graduates living and working in the GTA, Fleming discovered an opportunity to take Fleming College to them; reaching out to those who say they want to connect with the College but are challenged with finding the time to travel back to campus after work.

If you are interested in an alumni networking event near you, please let us know by e-mail at alumni@ flemingcollege.ca. Visit facebook/ flemingalumni for event photos.



Fleming Knight's inaugural hockey team from 1968. From top to bottom (left to right): Brian Miles, Jim Loucks, Wayne Francis, Dan Cranley, Bill Hartwick, Don Melanson, Bill McIntyre, Keith Fickling, Frank Learmonth, Paul Damario, Bob Cooper, Paul O'Connor, Peter Wilgar, Don Wright. Coach: Mr. Yeo and Manager Bob Beggs.



#### FORESTRY PROGRAM GRADS CELEBRATE 50

On February 9 in Alliston, ON, Fleming College partnered with Forests Ontario to commemorate a major milestone—Fleming's forestry program turning 50.

Forestry alumni from all graduating classes were invited to attend a reunion and networking event that was held in conjunction with Forests Ontario's annual conference.

"On the occasion of the program's 50th anniversary, we look forward to bringing together generations of graduates to celebrate Fleming's continued contributions to forestry in Ontario and beyond," said Rob Keen, RFP, Forests Ontario CEO. "Ontario's forestry sector includes 180,000 professionals whose work supports innumerable social, economic and environmental benefits throughout our communities. For decades, Fleming's forestry programs have been responsible for the training of so many of those who have made our province a globally recognized leader in the sustainable management of forest resources."



#### AN AFFORDABLE, CREATIVE ESCAPE

For individuals of all ages and skill levels

Registration is open for Haliburton RSchool of Art + Design summer courses. World-renowned artists arrive in Haliburton every summer to mentor and teach in week-long and weekend courses in a wide variety of disciplines. Artists, vacationers, families and students alike can find an endless array of programming choice, from courses such as glassblowing, blacksmithing, ceramics, painting, photography, textile arts, dry stone walling, timber framing and much more. Visit www.hsad.ca for a full schedule and list of courses and workshops.





#### NEW PROGRAM launched at Cobourg Campus

Ieming College is pleased to announce the launch of the Personal Support Worker (PSW) program at Cobourg Campus, starting in September 2017.

"Fleming College is excited to offer the PSW program at the Cobourg campus. We believe there is a need in the community for additional workers with the appropriate skills to assist an aging population to stay in their homes as long as possible and as they transition to long-term care," said Judith Limkilde, Vice-President Academic, Fleming College. "Establishing the PSW program here will give us the ability to provide other training for health professionals in the area and to assist them in keeping their skills up to date."

PSW is a two-semester Ontario College certificate program that includes longterm and community care courses as well as clinical placements to provide career experience. There is a consistently high—more than 90 percent—employment rate for graduates, many who are hired before completing the program.

As well, Fleming PSW graduates are eligible to apply for a bridge program, which allows them to enter the second semester of the Practical Nursing program at Fleming.

Applications are currently being accepted. Visit www.flemingcollege.ca/programs/personal-support-worker

NEW COURSE Horizontal Direction Drilling: Design to Construction JUNE <sup>4-day</sup> course

A new four-day course, Horizontal Direction Drilling: Design to Construction, will run at the Frost Campus from **June 26-29**. Organized jointly through the Centre for Advancement of Trenchless Technologies (CATT) and Fleming, the course combines classroom study with field practice. Participants will learn how to take into account the surface and subsurface information for project planning, design, drill fluids and tool selection, as well as how to operate the HDD equipment and monitor critical parameters (alignment, fluid pressures, pull loads) during pipe installation.

#### IS THIS COURSE FOR YOU?

Engineers, Technologists, Construction Inspectors and Drill Rig Operators with an interest in learning more about horizontal directional drilling protocols can register: https://flemingcollege.ca/PDF/HDD-Registration.pdf



#### Parks and Recreation, Class of 1992 & 1993 camping reunion

August 4 to 7, 2017 Balsam Lake Provincial Park

For details and to register for the event, visit at http://bit.ly/2oG9B4I



#### **Fleming 50th Celebrations**

Haliburton CampusAugust 10Sutherland CampusSeptember 22Frost CampusSeptember 29

Join us at one or all of our 50th anniversary celebrations. Watch for details:

www.flemingcollege/50 or sign up at alumni@flemingcollege.ca to receive the Alumni Matters e-newsletter that will provide event activity information in the upcoming months.

#### **Moveable Feast**

September 29, 2017 Frost Campus, Lindsay 5 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. RSVP by e-mail: alumni@flemingcollege.ca



**Annual Art Auction** 

Auction starts at 7 p.m.

Haliburton School of Art + Design

Alumni and friends are invited to attend

featuring works by the faculty artists of

Fleming College's annual art auction

the Haliburton School of The Arts.

August 10, 2017

Preview 5 p.m.

Fleming College will host a celebration of local food for alumni and friends in support of student learning and the community. The dinner will feature locally-sourced ingredients, students will be on-hand to provide program demonstrations, and a silent and live auction will take place following the feast in the Auk's Lodge.

# events



Administration, Class of 1987

September 15 to 17, 2017 Bracebridge, Ontario

For details and to register for the event, visit http://bit.ly/2oGhu9O

#### **Fall Open House**

All Fleming Campuses November 19, 2017 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

# Are you planning a class reunion?

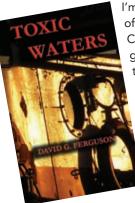
For ways that we can support your event, contact alumni@flemingcollege.ca

# CLASS NOTES

# 1970s

#### DAVID FERGUSON

(Forestry Technician '70)



I'm a retired Ministry of Natural Resources Conservation Officer who graduated in 1970 from the Lindsay Campus located within the nunnery. After years of procrastination, I finally published my first novel just before Christmas titled *Toxic Waters*, a new novel of

suspense and adventure set

on the vast waters of the Great Lakes. I welcome alumni to read my book that is now available in paperback and Kindle editions or e-mail me at toxicwaters001@gmail.com.

#### PHIL HEARD

#### (Business Administration '70)

I am a grad from 1970, the first of the three-year graduating class. I live and work as a consultant in the Vancouver area of British Columbia and work with another grad from the same year. I was the co-editor of the first student newspaper and my colleague was the first SAC President. He and I have been friends and worked at various jobs together over the years and have always kept up with SSFC news and developments. It would be great to come back during Fleming's 50th anniversary celebrations and bring some of the first college yearbooks and the no-name newspapers, which turned into the Purple Thorn.

#### WELDON NEWTON

(Forestry Technician '70)

I started my career at the Frost Campus by enrolling in the Forestry program in 1968. Due to failing out of Grade 9 and being raised in harsh conditions, I was forced to work much harder than the average student but I achieved my diploma, with thanks to Fleming faculty for their help and encouragement. After losing interest in forestry, I switched gears by complimenting my diploma with a university degree. I found success as the Chief of Aviation Police for Canada. later being promoted to the Director-General Aviation Regulation position. In this role, I successfully implemented the groundbreaking smoking ban on aircrafts, Canada being the first country in the world to do so, and as a result I was appointed by the Federal Cabinet to the position of President/CEO of the Hazardous Material Information Commission. In 2002, the Governor General awarded me with the Oueen's Golden Jubilee Medal for exemplary public service to Canada.

My educational and career successes can be attributed to several factors such as determination, intelligence, wanting a better life, etc., but the most important success ingredient has been the human factor—the people who inspire me and steer me in the right direction. This all began at Sir Sandford Fleming College. My countless questions were always addressed with understanding and patience and the faculty members were always available to help me. I departed SSFC with a diploma but I gained more than that, I learned a lot about myself. I left knowing I had intelligence, drive and determination to succeed. I went in very insecure and unsure of my abilities, I graduated with pride and confidence.

#### **ART NEILANS**

(Business Administration '74)

After spending a year at the Cobourg Campus, myself and three others commuted to the Brealey Campus for two years in a VW Bug-the ride up Hwy. 28 was cozy! It's hard to believe that tuition at that time was \$350 per year. Although it was only three years of my life, my years at SSFC were the best and formative times for me. I recall many memories such as my STATS instructor flying me to Toronto in his CESSNA as well as a date where I drove 240 miles return from Cobourg to Peterborough and then on to Toronto.... I'm getting tired just writing about it. I also attended the 25-year reunion in Toronto and bought the school theme song 'Let the Deed Show' on cassette!

Not only did my instructors share great life experiences, they were also great counsellors; I was surrounded by great people at a great campus.

I spent most of my successful 35year career with Scotiabank in Toronto. I am retired now and take care of my granddaughters, driving from Toronto to Oshawa daily via Hwy. 407...an easier commute for sure!

#### **ALLAN WOOD**

(Forest Engineering Technologist '75)

After several years of seeking employment in the Ontario Forest Industry, I used segments from my college education and fell in to construction work, surveying in particular. In a round of events in that line, I secured employment as a professional firefighter. I retired in 2013, after 34 years, as the District Chief with Windsor Fire and Rescue.

#### SHARE YOUR CLASS NOTES

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

#### MARION CLARK NEE GARRETT

(Registered Nursing '76)

After 40 years in nursing, 37 of them spent in the Perth and Smiths Falls District Hospital (formerly at the former Great War Memorial Hospital), I retired on October 30, 2016. I am enjoying time with my friends and family and especially my three grandchildren. I am planning on doing some travelling and enjoying my life but other than that I have no firm plans.

#### **MURRAY SHILLINGTON**

(Forest Technician '77)

After a 37-year career with the Ontario Government, seven years with Natural Resources and 30 years with Corrections, I happily retired in 2014.

#### **HELEN BAJOREK-MACDONALD**

(Secretarial Arts – Legal '79)

I became part of the Fleming community beyond being a graduate after securing a teaching position in 2007 at Fleming College in the School of General Arts & Science. It was an ironic return for me. As well, both of my sons are graduates of Fleming College and their father completed his electrical apprenticeship school at the McRae Campus while I was at Brealey.

With my partner Jean-Michel, we are combining our interests by embarking on a sesquicentennial story project called 'Hello Canada! Postcard stories' and we invite you to participate. We are asking Canadians to send a postcard from their part of the country or from their travels in 2017, in Canada or abroad that will be used to create an exhibition for the 150th celebration of Confederation.

To share your story or thoughts with other Canadians, mail a postcard to: Hello Canada! Postcard Stories (The youmeus project) 67 Kingswood Drive, Courtice, ON, Canada L1E 1Z3

# 1990s

#### WAYNE RICHES

(Environmental Resource Management '95/Integrated Resource Management '96)

I moved to Fort Frances in 1998 and worked for the MNR as a forest firefighter. I began my career with the municipal fire department in 1999 and currently hold rank of Captain. I look forward to hearing from any of my old classmates.



#### DEAN TRUMBLEY (Fish and Wildlife Technician '90/ Technologist '91)

I would like to say a hello to all of the Fish and Wildlife Technician grads of 1990 and Fish and Wildlife Technologists of 1991. I had an amazing career as a Professional Biologists in British Columbia—working up to a federal (Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada) and international stage (UN Convention of Biological Diversity)—and now finishing off my career as a TV host of 'Bushnell's Trigger Effect.' Thanks Sir Sandford Fleming College for an amazing life!

# 2000s

#### **GABRIELITO GARCIA**

(Business Administration – Accounting '00)

In September 2014, I joined the Investors Group as a consultant.

#### LINDSAY ELDER

(Career and Worker Certificate '04)

I successfully underwent brain aneurysm surgery three months after graduation, and another since. As no surgery can repair the third one, I am now on disability; however, I happily live day to day. In my position as the Apprenticeship Placement Liaison for Career Research and Development Service, I continue to successfully place students Canada-wide in a variety of apprenticeships and look forward to doing this until I can no longer help students obtain their employment passion. I am thrilled to see members of my graduating class working around town and hope they are as fulfilled in their positions as I am doing for the individuals that I help each and every day.

#### ASHLEY ROY, NEE COURTNEY (Business '07)

After moving a few times and having three babies, I have started up my own business. I have gone further in my education and attained my Doula certification. Through my business



### CLASS NOTES continued

Superior Doula Services, I serve the North Shore of Lake Superior area. I live in a small community called Marathon and love it. This fall, I will complete my Lactation Consultant course online. I'm very thankful for the help I received during my two years at Fleming and miss being in Peterborough. I'm excited to see where my future will take me.

#### **TRACEY OSBORNE-LEBEL**

(Massage Therapy '09)

I opened Absolute Therapeutics shortly after graduation and have since married. Nicole Parent (Massage Therapy '08) joined the clinic a few years after it opened and together we have won numerous awards and accolades. I have had the pleasure of being a guest speaker at many events on how to run a successful business in a downed economy and in 2013, I was nominated for College's Ontario's Premiers Award for Outstanding Ontario Graduate. Absolute Therapeutics is located on the main level of the Fleming Building in Cobourg.





Callie Moore during a banding operation of Cackling Canada geese in Alaska, USA.

# 2010s

#### CALLIE B. MOORE

(Ecological Restoration Honours B.Sc. – Joint Trent-Fleming Degree/Diploma '12)

Since graduation I have worked on various restoration, fisheries and wildlife projects across North America. I have permanently shifted my career focus from ecological restoration to wildlife biology, and am currently living abroad while completing a M.Sc. in wildlife management at the University of Arkansas. I hope to one day become a waterfowl biologist.

#### **JASON R. SOLNIK**

(Ecosystem Management Technology '15)

Coming to Fleming after completing my masters in aquatic ecology, I graduated from the EMX program in April 2015. In June, I was hired as a Watershed Biologist for the Otonabee Region Conservation Authority. In November 2016, I moved to Toronto and took a Restoration Ecologist position with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority. I maintain my connections with Fleming—having coordinated several student stewardship outings with EMX faculty Barb Elliott, as a judge for Envirothon Ontario hosted at Fleming, and authoring the aquatics workshop and test for the North American Envirothon.

#### KATHERINE MARGUERITE RUSHTON

(Drug and Alcohol Counsellor '16)

Hello! I want to share that I am currently working as the Volunteer Coordinator at the Salvation Army. The addictions and mental health program at Fleming was instrumental in attaining this position. The job is 20 hours per week, which allows me to balance my full-time studies at Trent University; adding to my Fleming success with a degree as a social worker. It is Fleming College that allowed me to broaden my horizons and further dig into the area I want to be a part of. I'm so thankful for the teachers and the Fleming community, the support and encouragement was spectacular bar none. Shalom and Namaste, Katherine.

#### JENNA PETTICREW (NEE PEEL)

(Hospitality Administration – Hotel and Resort '13)

Who knew that Brent Petticrew (Hospitality Administration – Hotel and Resort '13) and I would not only graduate in the same year—sitting beside one another, become boyfriend and girlfriend, move to Ireland for a year, get engaged, get married, and now be soon-to-be parents of twin girls! If we didn't have Fleming, we may have never met!



# CONDOLENCES

It is with sadness that we share information about the passing of Fleming College friends. We offer our deepest condolences to families and friends who are missing their loved ones.



#### **BRENDAN BAGG**

Alumnus Brendan Bagg (Police Foundations '05) passed away on July 12, 2016 at the age of 31. He was a long-time employee of McPhedran Dairy Farm. He loved NASCAR and one of his greatest achievements was climbing to the top of Mt. Kilimanjaro in 2012 with his dad.

#### PARKER PAUTSCH

Heavy Equipment Techniques student Parker Pautsch was popular among his fellow students. He was harmonious with everyone, always smiling, and very enthusiastic. Parker passed away on August 15, 2016.

#### SCOTT DICKSON

Recent graduate Scott Dickson (Electrical Techniques '08/Electrician Apprentice – Advanced '15) was a top Fleming College student and a wonderful person. Scott passed away on August 21, 2016.

#### WANDA DAWSON

After earning her diploma, Wanda Dawson (Health Information Management '08) completed a university degree in Allied Health Science and found her dream job contributing to the mission of Trillium Gift of Life Network (Ontario's organ and tissue donation agency). She was passionate about butterflies, photography, kayaking and dragon boating and, most of all, her two sons. From April 2014, Wanda faced colon cancer with strength, grace and humour until her passing on October 13, 2016.

#### **CINDY HAIG**

Cindy Haig, who began her teaching career at Fleming in 2004, encouraged people around her to be the best version of themselves often saying "Every day is a gift—none of us know what the future brings so it just makes sense to make the most of what we have." She lived every day with energy, joyfulness and generosity. Surrounded by family, Cindy passed away on February 12, 2017.

#### FRANK KAJFES

Former faculty member Frank Kajfes, who taught in what is now the School of Business, had an extensive career in education at several levels in both Ontario and Quebec. He started at Fleming in 1986 and officially retired in 2012. Frank passed away on November 7, 2016.

#### **JAYNE PULLAN**

Recent alumna Jayne Pullan (Social Service Worker '16) was also a graduate of Fleming CREW's Targeted Initiative for Older Workers program. She is remembered by those who knew her as a gentle and kind soul. Jayne passed away on October 13, 2016.

#### **MARGARET MORAN**

Fleming retiree Margaret Moran taught with Interdisciplinary Studies (now General Arts and Sciences) at the Frost Campus for 20 years, retiring in 2006. Marg passed away on October 1, 2016.

#### LILLIAN MACINTYRE

Lillian "Lil" Macintyre was a long-time Fleming employee—starting with the College in 1977 and retiring in 2008. She worked at both the Sutherland and Frost campuses, most recently in Student Services at Frost, and is remembered for her positivity and bright personality. Lillian passed away on September 19, 2016.



#### WILLIAM (BILL) LANE

Alumnus Bill Lane (Forestry Technician '71) always spoke highly of his time at SSFC and said it was one of the experiences he enjoyed most in life. In recent years, he made it a point to visit Lindsay every fall with his loving wife Rita to reminisce and enjoy the area. Bill lived in Niagara Falls, was a proud father to three daughters and a son, and an adored Papa of nine grandchildren. He passed away March 23, 2016.

# **SUCCESS STORIES**

#### Class of 2017

Congratulations to more than 4,000 Class of 2017 graduates who will be honoured at convocation ceremonies in May and June. We welcome you as our newest alumni members.

# Electrical safety expertise shared at Saudi symposium

As a guest of His Excellency Khalid Al-Faleh, Saudi Arabia's Minister of Energy, alumnus **Kevin Holm (Electronics Engineering Technologist – Information Networks '01**) describes his week in March at the annual Electrical Safety Expert Symposium in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia as the most amazing experience he has ever had.

Holm's was invited to the symposium, for key operatives in the electrical power industry in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, to share his wealth of knowledge and experience in electrical safety. He taught participants how to prevent electrocution or arc flash from the high levels of energy, giving them the control measures to ensure they return home from their jobs safely every day.

Upon graduating from Fleming College, Holm secured employment at Canadian Nuclear Laboratories as an Occupational Health and Safety Electrical Specialist where he was the company-wide lead and subject matter expert in the area of electrical safety. He has become a master electrician, licensed electrical contractor and certified electrical safety compliance professional (CESCP) with the National Fire Protection Association. He is also certified with the Ontario Association of Certified Engineering Technicians and Technologists (OACETT) as a Certified Technician. He is an active member of both the Institute of Electrical and



Alumnus Kevin Holm receives a plaque from a Saudi government official at the 4th annual Electrical Safety Expert Symposium in Saudi Arabia.

Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and the Canadian Standards Association (CSA). In 2015, Holm was the first individual to receive the Electrical Safety Champion Award for improving and promoting electrical safety within the electrical industry.

#### New assistant curator

Ontario native **Peggy Hause (Museum Management and Curatorship '15)** has taken her love for history to Saskatchewan for a career as an Assistant Curator at Melfort Museum—working with research, artefacts, volunteers and coordinating events. Hause's work experience includes being an interpreter at historic sites and an internship in her hometown museum in Newfoundland—a door to opportunity that opened at Fleming. She completed a degree in history at Trent University followed by a Fleming College diploma in Museum Management and Curatorship.

# Honoured for inspiring women in Nova Scotia

#### Kathy Johnston (Ecosystem

Management Technician '06) was recently awarded a WomenActive-NS Trendsetter Award from The Annapolis Valley Events & Sport Tourism Association in Nova Scotia. The award recognizes those who encourage active living experiences and leadership opportunities that enrich the lives of all women and girls in Nova Scotia. She also is a recent recipient of a Community Volunteer Award from West Hants Municipality. Johnston has created a strong community of men, women and families through programs she created through her business named Fitness Junkies. Alumni interested in reaching out to Johnston can visit her website at www.fitnessjunkiesns.com.



# Deployed to support emergency program in Iraq

Fleming alumna and 2012 Premier's Awards finalist, **Alex Parisien** (Geographic Information Systems – Advanced '11) is working with the World Health Organization (iMMAP) as an Information Management Officer in Erbil, Iraq. Parisien's work will combine data management, sociology and geographic information system technology to address the needs of disaster management.

#### **Forestry Futures hire**

Peter Street (Forestry Technician '70) has been hired by the Forestry Futures Trust Committee as their new Independent Forest Audit (IFA) Program Co-ordinator. Street has over 30 years in active forest management experience across the province of Ontario. He has been both an IFA auditee and IFA auditor.

# New CAO of Kawartha Conservation

The Kawartha Conservation Board of Directors has named Mark Majchrowski (Geographical Information Systems - Applications Specialist '99) as the organization's new Chief Administrative Officer, effective April 1. Majchrowski started his career with Kawartha Conservation in 1999 as a Biologist/ GIS Specialist, progressing to Director, Integrated Watershed Management and Science. In the Director role, he has been responsible for Kawartha Conservation's technical programming, source water protection, science and monitoring programs, lake management planning, floodplain mapping, stewardship services and conservation areas management.

#### New food centre manager

Nikki Nelson nee Gabourie (Culinary Management '02) is the Food Centre Manager at The Mount Community Centre. Nelson has been busy with the construction of a 3,500 square-foot kitchen and café area. She is also in charge of developing and implementing programs to improve food skills and food literacy, creating menus and guidelines for catering and instructing a number of food-related courses such as teaching people how to eat while on a budget. Nelson brings to The Mount her experience as Manager of the Shish-Kabob Hut in Peterborough.



#### Appointment as senior advisor

Jerry Janik (Exploration Geology '89, Geology Technician '89) has been appointed Senior Advisor for Hudson's Paints and Coatings Business. Janik began his industrial mineral career at the Nephton Nepheline Syenite operation in Ontario, where he managed the operation during a period of major capital expansion.

#### Kenner Hall of Fame Inductees

The Kenner Foundation Board of Directors inducted alumni Howie Budd (General Business '99) and Dan Wakeford (Cartographic Technician/ Technology '82) into The Kenner Hall of Honour.

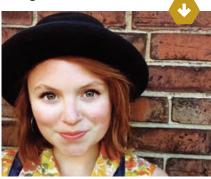
Budd worked for RBC branches in the Kawartha area from 1999 to 2008, earning many career designations and advancements. In 2008, he transferred to RBC Dominion Securities where he achieved Vice-President status in 2016.

Wakeford worked for Ontario Hydro as a Technical Illustrator/Graphic designer for ten years. An interest in entrepreneurship led him to partner in a new creative design business, Point of View. He then set out for sole ownership of his company Dash Design. Wakeford had earned Civic awards for entrepreneurship and community service. In 2006, he represented Fleming College as a Premier's Awards nominee in technology.

#### Eight graduates named Valedictorian

Fleming College is pleased to announce the valedictorians for the Class of 2017.

Haliburton School of Art + Design Emily Stonehouse, Digital Image Design '17



School of Business Amy Jones, Business Administration – Accounting '17

School of Justice and Community Development Samantha Delahaye, Protection,

Security and Investigation '17 and Darla Cuthbertson, Social Service Working '17

School of Health and Wellness Courtney Puterman, Paramedic '17 and Andrew Vatcher, Fitness and Health Promotion '17

School of Trades and Technology, Arts and Heritage, Haliburton School of Art + Design, and General Arts and Science Kaitlin Crow, Museum Management and Curatorship '17

School of Environmental Natural Resource Sciences

Zachary Steele, Fish and Wildlife Technician '17

Valedictorian's share their Fleming College experience, read about their journey at https://goo.gl/3Cjk16

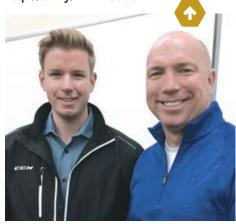
### SUCCESS STORIES continued

#### Student innovation on display

The Fleming College Innovation and Technology Showcase, in partnership with Bell who donated \$10,000 in support of students and awards, took place on April 6 in the KTTC. Students from the School of Business and the School of Trades and Technology presented their applied projects to judges, students and visitors. Following the showcase, Bell presented a number of awards for innovation and presentation along with Student's Choice, People's Choice and Entrepreneurship awards. Congratulations to all of the student groups for excellence in innovation.

## Alumnus visit inspires success in the sports world

Tim Schultz (Sporting Goods Business graduate '10), a CCM Hockey Pro Athlete Representative, returned to the Sutherland Campus last fall to share his experience in the industry and advice to current students. Read about his visit here: http://ow.ly/mZYV306c



Alumnus Tim Shultz was invited by SGB Program Co-ordinator Charlie McGee to provide his students with insight into the real business world of sports in an effort to help students succeed in their career.



Runners up for the Bell Presentation Award – Wireless Information Networking were Saurabh Modh, Riyaz Latif Mansoor, iddharthkumar Subhashchandra Patel, and Romil Modi with their Low-Cost Intelligent Fridge Using Radio Frequency Identification.

#### Police Constables sworn in

Congratulations to **Constables Trevor** Harrison (Police Foundations '11) and Andrew Eason (Police Foundations '13), the newest members of the Peterborough Police Service were sworn in during a ceremony at the Ontario Court of Justice on April 19, 2017.

#### Prince of Wales Forest Leadership Award

A semester five Urban Forestry Technician student has received the prestigious Prince of Wales Forest Leadership Award for demonstrating a passion for the environment and desire to solve complex problems. **Reginald Eddy** was one of two Canadian students to receive the award, which includes a \$12,000 bursary and the opportunity to travel on exchange to the United Kingdom to complete a forest internship. Eddy has made history as the first diploma student to have ever been selected for the award.





Alumni and friends are welcome to send well-wishes to Fleming retirees at alumni@flemingcollege.ca

## Dean Skilton leaves lasting impression

The Auk's Lodge at the Frost Campus was filled with well-wishers on March 21 to celebrate the successful career and retirement of Linda Skilton, Dean of the School of Environmental and Natural Resource Sciences (SENRS) and Principal of Frost Campus. Several of her friends and colleagues toasted her 31 years with Fleming.

A former Customs Border Agent, Skilton began with the College as a faculty member in the Justice area. She eventually moved from teaching into an administrative role and then moved to Frost to become Dean of SENRS in 2006.

In 2016, Skilton and former Fleming College Board of Governors member Laurie McLean established a new bursary fund to support SENRS students. The fund supports students who are in financial need and participating in study abroad opportunities in places such as South Africa, Iceland and Costa Rica. So far, over \$6,000 has been raised. The college is seeking additional contributions to support the growing costs of this hands-on educational experience.

Skilton retires but her passion and enthusiasm for the College, her work, and, most importantly, the students leaves a lasting impression at Fleming.

#### Fleming defined retiree

**Dianne Berlenbach**, a 25-year contract faculty member in the schools of Business and General Arts and Sciences, says that Fleming helped to define her as an individual.

"Fleming has helped to identify who I am. I met my husband in high school, when I was new to the school and he was



well known. I became Eugene's girlfriend, then wife. When our daughter Jennifer was born I became Jennifer's Mom. When Eugene became an Anglican priest, I became the minister's wife and was often introduced without even using my name. At Fleming I was known for being myself," says Berlenbach.

Berlenbach, who taught computer courses, retired in December 2016. Fleming College honoured her with the Vice-President Academic's Contract Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching in 2016.





Colleagues and friends recently celebrated Dean Linda Skilton's 31 impactful years at Fleming College.

#### Watson's new adventure begins

Patti Watson celebrated her retirement as the coordinator of the Tourism – Global Travel program with friends and colleagues in Fulford's on April 17.

For years, Watson led the annual Jamaica trip that gave hospitality and tourism students a volunteer experience in an orphanage for disabled and abandoned children. She also helped to create the annual Hospitality and Tourism Expo that brings high-school students interested in the hospitality industry and like-minded Fleming students and alumni together to explore interests, build networks and advance their careers.

#### SUCCESS STORIES continued

#### Whalen blazes a trail into retirement



As a tremendous team member and the backbone of the Advancement and Alumni Relations Office for nearly ten years, Arla Whalen has retired

after her 28 year career at Fleming College. Throughout her tenure, Whalen also worked in the Academic Planning and Operations Office, the President's Office and the School of Business. While working at Fleming, she earned her Office Administration-Executive Diploma, receiving a standing ovation from her colleagues as she crossed the stage. Whalen's tenacity, accompanied by her ability to multi-task and her attention to detail is what made her many endeavors such a success. From organizing all aspects of large events, assisting in department operations, managing the office financials, processing and receipting donor payments, hiring and managing student support staff, providing administrative support, developing creative ideas and so much more, she did it all with spunk and a fun spirit throughout the office. Whalen is now enjoying the life of a snowbird, blazing a trail on her prized Harley alongside her beloved husband Patty. Cheers Arla, your retirement is very well deserved!



#### ALUMNI AND STUDENTS INSPIRED BY NEWEST DRAGON

FastStart Fleming brought CBC TV's newest dragon on *Dragon's Den Next Gen*, Nicole Verkindt, to Peterborough to inspire alumni, students and friends interested in entrepreneurship. Speaking to the importance of disruptive thinking, technology, innovation and women's roles in business, Verkindt stressed that the key to success lies in the ability to ignore being told "no" over and over again.

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Contact the Office of Advancement to let us know if you have left a legacy gift to Fleming College or would like more information about giving options.

Phone: (705) 749-5509 ext. 1509 Toll free: 1-866-353-6464 Email: givingtofleming@flemingcollege.ca



"As a former Fleming College Governor and Foundation board member, I am very aware of the difficulties that students, in particular mature students, face on a daily basis to pursue their educational goals. That is why my wife Nancy and I are committed to supporting Fleming College through the legacy gift as part of our will."

> Bob Phillips, retired Pharmacist and Fleming College Volunteer

# Fleming Flashback

Do you recognize anyone in this photo? If so, you may know the answer to our Fleming Flashback contest question: What year was this photo taken?



For your chance to win a Fleming College 50th anniversary t-shirt, send your answer to alumni@flemingcollege.ca

Do you have a Fleming Flashback photo that you would like to share? Send it to **alumni@flemingcollege.ca** with details describing the image.



#### **JOIN US ONLINE**

for Class of 2017 convocation ceremonies at www.flemingcollege.ca/ convocation/live-stream.

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Fleming College recently implemented a Centralized Waste Sorting System at Sutherland Campus. In this system, small waste receptacles were removed from classrooms and lecture halls and students are now responsible for sorting their waste at the all newly redesigned sorting stations.

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