



## South Collegiate Alumni Association

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# LIONS' PRIDE

*Virtus Repulsaes Nescia Sordidae*



## Chris Moore's Fight for Change after his Daughter's Tragic Death

**Editor's Introduction:** Last April, I received an email from South alumna, **Laura Reid ('82)**, a faculty member of Western's Computer Science Department. Knowing I was looking for content ideas and submissions for future newsletters, she suggested I consider spotlighting fellow South alumnus, **Chris Moore ('82)**. Her email was very persuasive and worth sharing with fellow alumni.

I went to Cartier Public School with one of my best friends, Chris Moore. Chris is also a proud South Alumnus, class of 82. He and I were both at the reunion last year and I wanted to tell you a little about the change he has made in the world due to a horrific situation. After graduating from Western University in Engineering, he moved to Scarborough. He had 2 children, a daughter Danielle Moore and a son David Moore. His daughter, Danielle, was my Goddaughter. She was 24 years old when she was aboard the 737 Max 8 that crashed March 10, 2019 in Ethiopia. Since his daughter's tragic death, he has been working hard to get the FAA to put in more regulations for planes and not worry so much about profit. He works with a team that speaks in front of American congressional groups. His daughter was one of those kids who was going to make a huge difference in the world. With a degree in Marine Biology from Dalhousie, she was a long-time volunteer with the Ecology Action Centre (EAC) in Halifax, as well as a group called Ocean Bridge. She volunteered with indigenous kids to teach them coding and saved turtles in Costa Rica. The only reason she was on the plane was because she was selected to represent Canada at the United Nations Environment Assembly in Nairobi, Kenya. Since her death, Chris's mission has been to make Boeing accountable for their actions and to make sure no family has to go through what he and his wife and his son have gone through. He has held Boeing, the Department of Justice and the FAA's feet to the fire. Because of him, the way Boeing is allowed to operate has now changed greatly.

It is a sad story, but if you want to highlight a South grad who is making change in the world, he would be a wonderful person to spotlight. (Laura Reid)

### Chris's Story:

In the more than 5 ½ years since Danielle's death, Chris has dedicated himself to making sure Boeing and the other organizations involved are held accountable in the two tragic crashes of 737 Max 8 planes. In early 2020, Chris was part of a group of surviving family members who met with a leader of Transport Canada Civil Aviation (TCCA), an administrative tribunal of the Canadian government that makes decisions and policies regarding federally regulated modes of civil transportation. Following this meeting, Marc Garneau, TCCA Minister of Transport, met with TCCA Director General Nicholas Robinson in Toronto and announced the decision to ground the 737 Max 8 in Canada.

Concerned that the grounding might be only temporary, Chris was interested in learning about the factors that were being examined to unground the plane.

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He was also very active in attending meetings with governmental officials in the U.S. including the head of the Federal Aviation Administration and the head of the National Transportation Safety Board. He was interested in a public discussion of this issue.

*“Nicholas Robinson has accepted fault in this delay and will commit to consulting with Canadian families moving forward. However, there are several pieces of the puzzle that are missing or don’t fit. If the Director General of Civil Aviation for Canada has the authority to ground planes in Canada, why was it deferred to the Minister? Because of Cabinet Confidence, we do not know what was discussed between the Director General and the Minister after the first and second crashes regarding grounding.”*

Chris’s fight has continued. He and other members of the grieving families were upset about the Department of Justice’s decision to defer prosecution of Boeing, as well as their refusal to treat the family members as victims. In protest, on March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the fourth Anniversary of the Boeing crash that killed his daughter, Chris stood outside the Boeing headquarters in Crystal City, Virginia, holding a picture of his daughter Danielle and a sign that read – *Boeing took away their life, DOJ their voice*. Moore had traveled from Toronto to be with other family members from around the world at the Boeing headquarters.

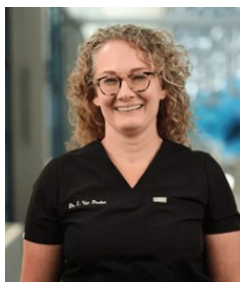


Chris protesting outside Boeing headquarters on March 10, 2023, the 4th anniversary of the crash that killed his daughter

*“My daughter Danielle Moore lost her life four years ago on flight ET302. We are here to remember our loved ones on the fourth anniversary of this crash. But we also want to remind people that the butcher Boeing – the planes they design, certify and build must be safe. There are people flying on them. And they have to make them safe for the flying public.”*

*“Boeing took away my daughter’s body, but the Department of Justice tried to take away her voice. We are here to make sure we are giving her voice back to her.”*

## **Dr. Erica Van Daalen ('98) Named New Chief of Staff at St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital**



On November 1, 2024, Erica stepped into her new role as Chief of Staff at the St. Thomas hospital, bringing a wealth of experience and a commitment to patient-centred care. After graduating from Western with a degree in Genetics and Cell Biology, she pursued her medical degree at U of T, before completing specialty training in Family Medicine and Emergency Medicine at Western. Prior to her new appointment, Erica served as Chief of the Emergency Department at STEGH for four years, as well as being an active physician in their Chemotherapy Unit.

Interviewed for a recent article, Erica acknowledged, *“Medicine has always been a calling for me. It’s a field that allows me to combine my love for working with people and my desire to make a meaningful impact on their lives, especially during challenging times.”* She also expressed her excitement about stepping into her new role: *“Being able to lead such a talented and dedicated team is an honour, and I look forward to working together to continue providing excellent care to our community. I’m committed to helping our hospital grow and thrive in the years to come.”*

## LLOYD POSNO ('61) – MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF CANADA

Awarded on: November 27, 2020 ----- Invested on: October 26, 2023

**Introductory Note:** Last May, I received an email from Lloyd Posno, in which he described having lunch with a friend whom he had met when they were both invested into the Order of Canada. After sharing memories of recent High School Reunions they had attended, his friend asked him if he had ever told anyone associated with South about his O of C award. Following their conversation, Lloyd decided to send me a note. I'm glad he did. (C. Weir)

The following material was taken from an article in EY Canada (Ernst & Young's corporate publication, dated June 1, 2021)

After passing the chartered accountancy exams in 1966, Lloyd joined Ernst & Young's predecessor firm Clarkson Gordon in London, Ontario. In 1972, he became an Audit partner, and in 1983 transferred to the firm's Toronto office, where he later founded and led the national Forensic Litigation practice. He became director of International Claims in 1994, a role he held until he retired in 2003.

Lloyd has shown a lifelong commitment to helping others. In particular, he has applied his financial talents to improve organizations whose mandates are to help those in need. Lloyd is driven by the belief that everyone deserves a chance. From the beginning of his professional career, he has been engaged in volunteer work.



In his early professional days in London, he served on the board of the YM-YWCA and was instrumental in the building of a new downtown facility. He also sat on the boards of London Goodwill and the London Housing Authority, and served on the fundraising committee of the Canadian Diabetes Association (Ontario Division).

Throughout his career, Lloyd has been keenly interested in the Canadian justice system, politics and health care. He was a charter member and financial advisor of the Ontario Institute for Advocacy Training, CFO of one of Canada's federal political parties and for decades held positions with local riding associations, and served as director of Trillium Hospital in Mississauga.

Later in his career and in his retirement, Lloyd worked with the Canadian Red Cross, and in 2014 was deservedly recognized with the Order of Red Cross Medal. He also forged transformational relationships with Indigenous communities, notably as an independent financial advisor to the National Indian Brotherhood Trust Fund, and as a coordinator and then advisor to the CPA Martin Mentorship Program for Indigenous High School Students.

In addition, Lloyd continues to invest his time and financial talents at the local community level in the United Way (Peel Region), the Mississauga Summit, the environmental group Georgian Bay Forever, and more recently, with the Narva Road Group, which funded and organized a private sponsorship of a Syrian family.

Lloyd has fond memories of his time at South and enjoys ongoing occasional contacts with former teacher **Tom Crerar (1956-81)**.

Lloyd is particularly proud of his wife Pat and their family of 5 children and 11 grandchildren.



Lloyd with Governor General, Mary Simon following the presentation of his Order of Canada medal

## Proud Staff Alumnus, Wilf Fryday (1954-67) Shares Some Thoughts...

**Introductory Note:** After the last e-blast was sent, I received a lovely email from Wilf, in which he thanked me for "my faithful work for the SCAA". He went on to say that if he were 20 years younger, he would "love to volunteer" to help with the newsletter. Actually, Wilf has already contributed to the newsletter. For the Spring 2018 issue, Wilf wrote a wonderful article entitled "South Hockey: A Coach's Memories". Now I would like to share some of the content of his recent email... (C. Weir)

I spent the first twelve years of my teaching career at South. I regard it as the highlight of my career. My future postings, although there were highlights from time to time, did, and do not come close to my time at South. Being on the same staff as Ernie McTavish, Jessie MacFarlane, Jean McRobert, Coach Dinnie and others was a privilege.

A couple of little anecdotes of my time at South:

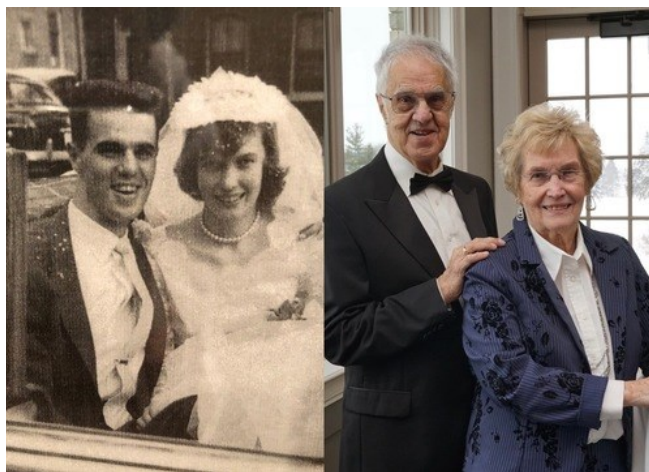
1) One of my grade nine students, early in my career, contacted me many years later to talk about South generally, and South athletics, in which we were both heavily involved. One other sidelight of our relationship is that London was this person's home town, while mine was Windsor. His professional career took him to Windsor, however, and mine to London. We never met on the connecting highways but we still keep in touch.

2) I see that there was another year reunion in October for the class of 1974. That was beyond my years at South, but I have enjoyed several other such events for 50's and 60's classes, the most recent being two classes celebrating their South adventure during the 100th anniversary. That most likely will be my last such event. That evening one of my former students pulled me aside as I "walked the floor," gave me a positive rating on my teaching ability, and then reminded me of how accurate a chalk thrower I was. I'd likely be put in jail for that now. (PS. I was a fast ball pitcher in my younger days.)

Finally, one last thought: I enjoyed all my other teaching positions, but there was, and still is I hope, something different, something special about South.

*Wilf Fryday*

**Final Congratulatory Note:** On October 9<sup>th</sup>, Wilf and his wife, Joyce celebrated their 70<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. Not only did Wilf start a very successful teaching career in 1954, but he also embarked on a very successful marriage. It was Thanksgiving weekend and in order to stretch out the honeymoon, he asked then Principal, Claude McCallum, if he could have a little extra time off. Unwilling at first, Claude relented and gave him one extra day. They spent their 4-day honeymoon in downtown Detroit.



## An Appreciative Email Regarding Last Spring's Issue...

Thank-you for the article by **Wayne Burt ('73)**. I have a lot of fond memories of playing on teams with Wayne. Our championship basketball team at Tecumseh was certainly a high point. Wayne and Gary Potts were the stars of our team and the coach was **Wayne Potts ('65)**, Gary's brother.

I also remember the many games we played on the basketball courts and outdoor rink at Tecumseh.

I was also saddened by the passing of **Rae Clark (1967-78)**. Rae was my senior football coach and a neighbour for a number of years on Lyndhurst Place.

I'm also glad you wrote an article on **Ted Hessel (1971-76)**. He was a wonderful coach and teacher. He deserves recognition for his many contributions to South while he was a teacher and coach.

Thank-you again,

**Robert Lumb (1975)**



## SOME EXCITING MOMENTS FROM SOUTH'S BASKETBALL HISTORY

by Brian Rice ('71)

The 1960s and 70s were an exciting time in Lion basketball. The girls dominated winning 12 senior titles from 1962 to 1978. The juniors won 6 championships, in 1967 the Junior girls and boys both won WOSSA including a 32-game win streak by the boys. Legendary coach **Fran Wigston (1957-65)** won 4 in a row. Fran and **Nora Lee Jackett (1974-77)** both went on to coach at UWO.



The boys' programs had some ups and downs but became the "cradle of coaching", producing four coaches who dominated the next four decades. The senior boys only made 3 city finals, but had two record scoring feats. In 1969, **Andy Daugulis ('69)** scored 57 points in a single game. South and CCH had 101-94 games in one season before the 3 pt rule. Not to be outdone, **Bill Jansenberger ('73)** scored 73 points against Strathroy, leading the Lions to 2 city finals.

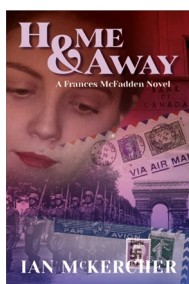
In 1969, both Coach **Rod McDonald (1964-68)** and **Terry Roberts (1965-68)** moved on and **Wil Rice (1965-76)** was called back to the bench. Wil first coached in London in 1946 and had titles at Central and Beck. A detached retina limited him to 10 % sight. He proceeded to go to 2 Senior finals, 1 Junior semifinal, and a Midget title in 1975, when the girls also won under Ms. Jackett.

The coaching legacy became extraordinary starting with **Dan Colfax ('62)** and Sprinter **Jim Allen ('61)**. Dan Colfax coached from 1966 to 2008 and won titles at Westminster, Banting, and Beal. His Beal team won OFSAA AAA bronze and in 2007 he returned to Westminster and won the OFSAA AA title.

Jim Allen also won over 1000 games despite being more famous as a South runner. He ran 9.9 in the 100 yards and held the Canadian record in the 220 for over 30 years. As a coach at Parkhill, his teams dominated the Ontario A division. In 1992, he took a year off to help UWO to the national title.

**Don Coleman ('64)** coached some of the top provincial girls' teams in the 1990s at RMC. His 30 years on the bench is a girls' record. He continued in retirement at Fanshawe college and a number of city high schools.

**Brian Rice ('71)** took up his dad's mantle and coached from 1976 to 2003. His teams won SWOSSA and WOSSA junior titles boys and girls. Led by current South Coach **Stacey Farr**, the London Central team won OFSAA silver in 1996 and 1997. Stacey won a record 132 games as a Golden Ghost, then set scoring and rebounding marks at Brock University.



**Home & Away**, the fifth episode in the Frances McFadden family of Canadian fiction, is now off the presses. Although it's set in Ottawa and France in 1940-41, author **Ian Mckercher ('65)** says "*it's not a war story, but rather an in-spite-of-the-war story*". **Susan Cornell ('67)**, who reviewed the book for the *Glebe Report*, wrote that the novel "*is arguably his finest work to date*". Currently for sale in most private Ottawa bookstores (\$25), we hope Ian can be convinced to bring a few of his books to London the next time he visits. So if you are fan and would like to purchase a copy, let us know. You are also encouraged to check out Ian's website: <https://ianmckercher.com/>

Last spring's issue, featured a note about **Andrew McClenaghan's ('97)** new business venture **The Bicycle Café**, on Thames St. just off the Thames Valley Parkway. This business was in the news again last month, not just because they recently won a London Chamber of Commerce business achievement award, but because they had just launched a new pilot project; The **Bikes for Business** program offers e-bikes free to businesses for a few weeks in the hopes they will realize that e-bikes can be a faster way to get around the city by avoiding parking issues and the often slow vehicular traffic. The *Londoner* article went on to state that "*Meals on Wheels had an e-bike for a day and realized it was faster and more convenient for nearby deliveries than using a car.*" Many e-bike models are attached to a trailer, some of which are capable of hauling 400 kilograms.

## 75th Anniversary Award Winner: Candace Marzano



As you may remember, this award was created in 2003, to commemorate South's 75th Anniversary. This year's winner, **Candace Marzano**, joins an impressive list of 22 staff members who have *"contributed significantly to making South a quality school."*

Candace was nominated by 5 different staff members, all of whom had nothing but the highest praise. Shared below are just a few of the comments made.

*"Candace Marzano has been a dedicated member of South's staff for many years. She has worked tirelessly, as an educator in her classroom, as a staff advisor for extracurricular activities, and as an inspiring mentor for students."*

*"Candace makes sure her students have enriching opportunities.... She has contributed thousands of hours outside of the school day to this Institution and her dedication, commitment and excellence should be acknowledged."*

*"Through her involvement in the Youth Forest City Film Festival, she has mentored and inspired students to pursue careers in film and photography."*

*"She has coached South cross country team, running alongside students and supporting them at meets."*

*"She has helped with the set design for innumerable school plays, musicals and dance productions."*

*"Whether it is in the classroom, in the world of work, or supporting students through activities such as the Photography Club, Candace is the quintessential teacher and collaborative colleague."*

*"Candace is a giving and kind person, in addition to being a spectacular teacher.... This building will not be the same without her."*

As evident in the final comment, Candace retired last June. We congratulate her on her well deserved award and wish her the very best as she begins a new chapter in her life story.

### More South News

**New Principal:** This fall South welcomed a new principal to the school. **Richard Tamminga** joined the staff after serving as Head of Science at Saunders, Vice-Principal at Beal, and most recently, as Principal at Banting. Word has it that the current staff are very pleased with their new administrator and the SCAA wishes him all the best. One welcome innovation he has initiated is a bi-weekly newsletter *What's Up South*, accessed on the school website, that outlines what's going on at the school. Note: You can access the school site from the alumni website.

**Upcoming School Show:** Rehearsals have begun for South's upcoming school show: **Billy Elliot (Jan.15-18)**, which we expect will have huge audience appeal. Watch for future details re when ticket sales will begin.

### More Alumni News

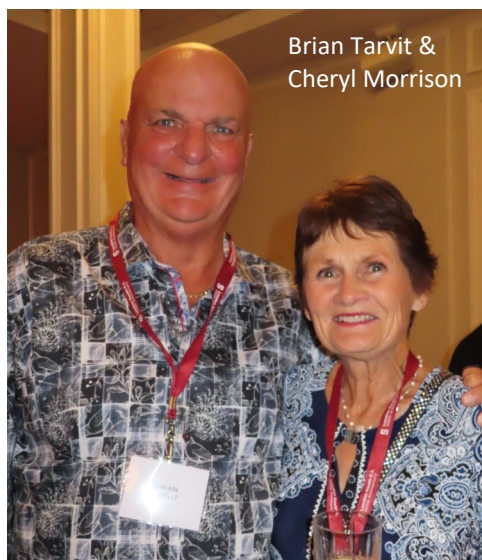
Organizers of Windsor's Annual Hospice FACE to FACE Campaign (Aug. 15- Sept. 30) dedicated this year's campaign to the memory of **Dr. Jamie Henderson ('56)**, *"one of our most dedicated and passionate hospice ambassadors, to celebrate his life and his contributions to our hospice and our community."* The campaign raises money to ensure hospice clients can get to medical appointments or go on special outings. Dr. Henderson, passed away on Apr. 11, 2024 and his obit was included in the "In Memoriam" post #7 on our website.

**Cam Tingley ('72)** On his website <https://camerontingley.com>, he states *"My creative energies are divided somewhat equally between filmmaking and music composition... The films provide thought-provoking social commentary, while the music expresses my wishes and hopes for a better world."* He enjoyed a 40-year career as a freelance film editor and post-production supervisor in the Toronto film and television industry. Since 2011, Cameron has enjoyed presenting LIFE AS WE KNOW IT — his ongoing series of social commentaries — to live audiences in libraries, community centres, art galleries, schools, and pubs.

# A GREAT 50TH REUNION FOR THE CLASS OF 1974



OCTOBER 26, 2024



Brian Tarvit & Cheryl Morrison



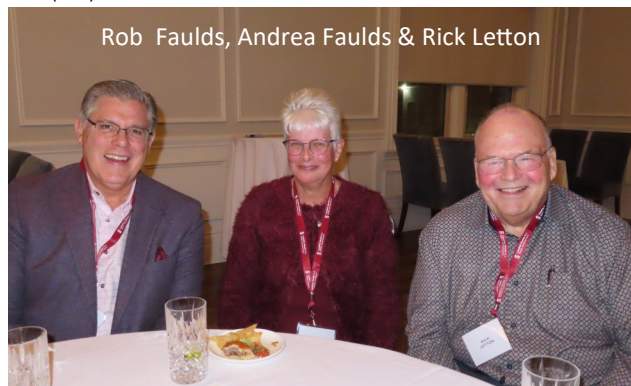
Frank Giffen, Lynne Hevey & Frank Boutzis



Gord & Pamela Browne



Todd Stewart, Boris Markowski, Tim Jennings & Rob Scarffe



Rob Faulds, Andrea Faulds & Rick Letton

## UPDATE ON SCAA ACTIVITIES

**100th ANNIVERSARY LEGACY GIFT:** In the last Updates E-blast, we outlined a project that was being investigated: a wrap-around mural to be painted on the south wall of the school gym, depicting 100years of South Athletics. While we are still awaiting details, this project has tentatively been approved by the current executive. We will provide additional information as soon as it is available.

**ALUMNI DATABASE:** Reminder: If you are not receiving the regular e-blast updates, it's because we don't have your current e-mail address, so if you wish to be included, please send us your correct info.

**CLASS REP LIST:** The list of Class Reps on the website only extends to 2020. At our recent executive meeting, the feeling was that it would be worthwhile to try to update this list. Current President, Lynne Hevey, who is also the 1974 Class Rep, said the information accessible to her on the database was very useful in organizing the recent 50th Anniversary Reunion for the Class of '74. We encourage alumni to check the list on the website to see if your year has a class rep. If not, then perhaps you might consider volunteering.

**WEBSITE & FACEBOOK POSTS:** The alumni profiles created for South's 100th are being posted, a few at a time, on a fairly regular basis, on both the website and our Facebook page. In Memoriam items are posted only on the website, with the exception of staff passings, which are now also being posted on Facebook.

**NEW SCAA SECRETARY:** As noted in the last e-blast, **Lorissa Sinasac ('96)** has agreed to take on the job of secretary. After earning an English degree at Queen's, she studied Drama at Western, followed by a Diploma in Education in Australia and then an MA in Education back at Western. Lorissa first joined the SCAA executive in the fall of 2023, after she was hired for a supply position at South for the fall semester. Unfortunately, that position wasn't available in semester 2, but she generously agreed to remain on the executive. She continues to supply teach in high schools in London and elsewhere for the TVDSB, but we hope that she might have the opportunity to return to South soon.



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## IMPORTANT MESSAGE

### SOUTH TEAMS ARE IN URGENT NEED OF NEW UNIFORMS!

Many members of South's current teams are being forced to wear shabby, outdated uniforms, but with the cost of new uniforms running at \$100 each, the school budget can't cover the expense. Reluctantly, coaches have been forced to ask students to cover part of the cost, something many of them can ill afford. At our recent meeting, the SCAA executive voted to make a significant donation to help towards the cost, but we are hoping to encourage more alumni to consider donating as well.

**Send cheques, payable to the South Collegiate Alumni Association, to the mailing address in the box on the left or make donations online with e-transfers ([donatescaa@gmail.com](mailto:donatescaa@gmail.com))**

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