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Your community awaits your contributions



Dear Class of 2018-19,

On behalf of the college's Board of Governors, it is an honour and a pleasure to congratulate you upon your academic accomplishment ... and to make reference to something above-and-beyond that as well.

For those of you unfamiliar with the Board's composition, it is made up of both college-based, "internal" members, and "external" members representing the employment sectors of business, industry, skilled trades, social services and health-care in Windsor-Essex and Chatham-Kent.

Thus, the Board represents the community in the larger sense: as a civic and civil entity.

Aside from the employment marketplace, your time and experiences at the college have prepared you to enter that forum, too: as engaged, conscientious, energetic citizens of your community – as "movers and shakers" who will both boost the economy and improve the society we all share.

Today, therefore, is not solely about your scholastic achievement.

We are certain that, with your college-acquired knowledge and technical abilities in-hand, you will perform your post-graduation jobs in exceptional fashion.

Both the Board and the community which its Governors represent are similarly confident that you will live your lives admirably, constantly striving to "do the right thing" as citizens, thanks to the traits that have been instilled in you during your time at St. Clair: seeking excellence, assisting the less fortunate, passing on your knowledge through volunteerism and mentorship, and encouraging others to take full advantage of educational opportunities as the means to improve their own circumstances.

So, we welcome you not only as the college's newest graduates, but also as our community's – and our society's – most idea-laden, rarin'-to-go, optimistic, and progressive new citizens.

Congratulations to you on this, your Convocation day. It is just the tip of the iceberg of the many successes that await you, and the world you will build.

– Dan Allen, 2018-19 Chair, St. Clair College Board of Governors



The 2018-19 St. Clair College Board of Governors, left to right:

Front row: Teresa Bendo, Vice-Chair Nancy Jammu-Taylor, Chair Dan Allen, President Patti France, Maureen Wickham;

Back row: Kevin Beaudoin, Karen Behune Plunkett, Tammy Wonsch, Robert Renaud, Egidio Sovran, Jean Piccinato, Patrick McMahon, Dr. Ken Blanchette;

Absent for group photo, individual photos: Floyd Curtis, Kiara Clement, Marlene Corey, and Renu Khosla.



Your specific education – and the intangibles

Dear Treasured Graduates,

The entire St. Clair College community is so immensely proud of you on this, your Convocation day. And you should take great pride in your achievement as well.

There may be program-specific names on students' individual diplomas; but all St. Clair graduates, regardless of their academic fields of study, have also had intangible and essential qualities instilled within them as part-and-parcel of their subject-related knowledge and mastery of hands-on techniques.

During your education, you'll certainly recall that you were frequently required to participate in group projects with your classmates. That's because effective team-work, team-building, cooperation, and grasping "group dynamics" is so much a part of every profession – and, indeed, every human interaction. Unless your ultimate career goal is to be a solitary hermit-philosopher sitting on a mountain-top, your future success will, very much, be tied to your ability to work with others. The "give-and-take" that you experienced in your group project work has acclimatized you to that "real world" scenario.

Conversely, when you were working on solo projects, your professors demanded "fresh and original thinking" from you on essays, and innovative treatments – even "risk-taking" – when you were working on hands-on projects. Why? ... Because individual initiative, imagination, "out-of-the-box" problem-solving, and a degree of entrepreneurial spirit are also highly valued traits – and marketable job-skills – in the "real world".



Finally, whether you were working individually or in a group setting, at the college or off-campus in a work-placement, academic and professional integrity were hallmarks of your St. Clair education. Whether in your career, your personal relationships or your multi-faceted role in the community-at-large, nothing is more valuable – and valued – than honesty. We may not have instilled that trait in you, but I hope we may have re-inforced it.

As you now move on to join our Alumni Association family of 100,000-plus graduates, I am certain that exceptional professional success and personal fulfillment await you ... And that, in the future, we will not just hear about your achievements; but also about your admirable intangible qualities: as a contributing team-player and leader, a trend-setting innovator, and, always, as an exemplar of integrity in all avenues of your life. Regardless of your academic discipline, those are the underlying qualities that make you a true St. Clair College graduate.

**– Patti France, M.Ad.Ed.,
President,
St. Clair College**

A life-changing stage-crossing



Dear Saints,

After sitting in classrooms for the past year or two (or three), you – at last – found yourself sitting in an auditorium, joined by your proud family members and friends, listening to inspiring speeches. And then you crossed the stage to receive your diploma. In that brief but life-changing walk, you were transformed from being a St. Clair student to a college graduate. Congratulations!

During your time as a student, I'm sure that, to one degree or another, you delved into the extracurricular life of the college – much of it fostered by your Student Representative Council. Maybe you were a club member (thanks for the delicious bake sales that we all enjoyed), or an Open Mike performer (you rocked it), or you Polar Plunged with classmates for Special Olympics (have you warmed up yet?), or just casually took part in some of our "Nooner" games (nice leap on to the bouncy castle's velcro wall).

Aside from those friend-making and stress-relieving events, perhaps you also took advantage of such SRC-provided services as the health insurance plan, the food bank, grade appeal consultations, or dining at the diverse and affordable food services we operate on campus. Maybe we even employed you in one of our departments.

Oh, and you also played a role in launching one of the largest projects in the college's history: the construction of the new Sports Park. Please come back and see that beautiful facility when it is open later this year.

As you made that walk across the stage, you also left the SRC family (Farewell!) and joined the 100,000-members-plus Alumni Association (Welcome!). It provides you with a number of benefits and ways to stay involved with St. Clair. You can see more about that wonderful organization on Page 5.

It was the SRC's pleasure to serve you as students. I hope we made the college experience much less stressful and much more enjoyable for you. And, again, Congratulations upon your achievement.

– Holly Nicholson, President, 2018-19 Student Representative Council



The 2018-19 Student Representative Council Board of Directors, left to right:

Front row: Executive Director Don France, Vice-President of Downtown Affairs Sara Stiller, President Holly Nicholson, Vice-President of Student Affairs Kiara Clement, General Manager Ryan Peebles;
Back row: Directors Nathan Wuerch, Jorge Gutierrez Calzada, Nikita Joella Muringa, Charlotte Hall, and Sean Thomas.

Connect to a new Circle of Friends!



We'd love to see you back on campus for Family Day in August!

Graduates/New Alumni:

We are connected! With your accomplishment of receiving your diploma, we have a link together that can never be broken. You are part of the story of St. Clair College – and we are part of your story.

As you move on in your career, you will take with you the knowledge and experiences from your courses. But you will also take with you the relationships you've experienced with your teachers, friends and teams during your time here. Those can be resources that will last a lifetime.

You are also an ambassador for St. Clair College, as you are involved in your career and your community in the future. You are the best examples of the value of a St. Clair education. We are proud of what you have accomplished and are pleased that you will be taking the St. Clair story with you as you move forward.

St. Clair is always going to be here for you in the future. Let us help you with any further education that might enhance your skills or make you more competitive in the future. Through the Alumni Association, we connect you with the network of people who have been part of the St. Clair story like yourself. Let us know how you're doing and how we can help.

There are many benefits to being part of our Alumni family. Please take a moment to update us with your new email and mailing address so we can efficiently contact you with special incentives for alumni and alumni event information.

By keeping in touch with your college and your Alumni Association, we will stay connected.

The bonus is that you will be able to access the many benefits provided by the Association. Among those: diploma and liri pipe framing, continued use of the college's athletic facilities (at discounted rates), ongoing borrowing privileges at the college's library, and other discounts for grads from our assorted local and national commercial partners (including Johnson Insurance). There are also special events and promotions throughout the year (like the Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament, Tigers Game, Family Fun Day, and the annual Alumni of Distinction Banquet).

For more information, phone the Alumni office at (519) 972-2727, extension 4567, or (toll-free) at 1-866-722-4723; or email us at alumni@stclaircollege.ca; or visit the Alumni website at www.stclairalumni.com; or "friend us" at www.facebook.com/stclairalumni.

As this publication was going to press, St. Clair was honouring its "brightest and best" during the annual Alumni Of Distinction awards banquet in early-May.

Every year since 1992, the college has solicited nominations from the community for this honour, seeking high-achieving past graduates from the Schools of Technology, Community Studies, Health Sciences, Business, and Creative Art and Design, and a Recent Graduate (within the past five years).

The honourees also serve as St. Clair's nominees for the province-wide Premier's Awards, recognizing the achievements and contributions of graduates from Ontario's college system.

The 2019 Alumni Of Distinction are:

- Recent Grad: Chantelle Bacon, Hairstylist 204, Co-Founder of the Fight Like Mason Foundation;
- Media, Arts and Design: Christopher Bozzetto, Tradigital Animation 2005, Lead Texture Artist of Toronto's Soho VFX;
- Community Studies: Barb Brown, Early Childhood Education 1994, Executive Director of Connections Early Years Family Centre;
- Skilled Trades: Larry Koscielski, Combustion Technician 1983, Vice-President of Process and Technology Development of Centreline (Windsor) Limited, and Chairs of Windsor-Essex FIRST Robotics;
- Health Sciences: Justin Lammers, Paramedic 2005, Deputy Chief, Windsor-Essex EMS; and
- Business and Information Technology: Nicolas Seguin, Computer Science Technology-Information Systems 2001, Application Architect, Domino's Pizza Corporate Headquarters, Michigan.



The 2018-19 Alumni Association Board, left to right: President Andrew Rowberry, Executive Vice-President Alison Rusling-Bigelow, Vice-President of Finance Jennifer Forfitt, and Directors Eddie Azar, Carmen Brunone, Belinda Bulhoes, John Feldman, John Garton and Ryan Peebles.

Now we'll have to spell it "BuZiness"

From an Early-August, 2018 Saint Scene

Future accountants, financiers, entrepreneurs, marketers, and computer and networking experts will now be trained by St. Clair's Zekelman School of Business and Information Technology.

The college's School took on the new name on August 8, in recognition of a donation of \$5 million from the Barry and Stephanie Zekelman Foundation.

Barry Zekelman, a Windsor native, is the Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Zekelman Industries, a multinational (Canada and United States) steel product supplier and manufacturer.

This is the largest single corporate/philanthropic donation in the college's half-century long history.

In addition to the designation of all of the academic programs in the School, the re-naming will also be reflected in signage on the new Business and I.T. Campus at One Riverside Drive in Windsor's downtown (operational this fall) and on the new Academic Tower at the South Windsor Campus (construction on that should commence this year).

A portion of the donation will also be applied to the college's new Sports Park at the South Windsor Campus, where the tennis complex will bear the Zekelman name.

The donation and renaming were the subject of a news conference at the new One Riverside Drive campus on August 8.

During that event, St. Clair President Patti France observed, "Zekelman Industries is now a multinational, steel manufacturing company with a number of

subsidiaries; but most Windsor and Essex County citizens probably identify both it and the Zekelman family with the locally based company, Atlas Tube in Harrow.

"And the Atlas name is very fitting in this scenario, because the need to expand accommodations for our Business and I.T. programs has, in part, been caused by St. Clair's unprecedented growth in enrolment during the past three years ... Flip through an atlas, and on almost each and every page you will spot the over 60 home-lands of our international students."

France added, "I believe, also, that having the name of this innovative and highly successful family and company

attached to our School of Business and Information Technology will serve to attach a bolstered level of prestige – and employability – to our graduates' diplomas, degrees and resumes."

"The Zekelman family welcomes the opportunity to influence the leaders of tomorrow by doing our part in supporting St. Clair College," said Barry Zekelman.

"There is no better way to secure the future than ensuring quality postsecondary education that prepares the next generation for leadership."

Calling St. Clair a "cornerstone institution" of the community, he added that it provides the knowledge, tools and skills to help students realize their professional, academic and vocational dreams.

Zekelman School Chair Jim Marsh announced that Barry Zekelman would be "regularly interacting and speaking with students" on business development and management topics.



St. Clair powers Canada

From a Late-October, 2018
Saint Scene

One of the most popular programs in the college's recent history cut the ribbon on its new facility on October 19, when the National Powerline Training Centre (NPTC) celebrated its Grand Opening.

The construction of the new, \$2.1 million building was bankrolled by the federal government's Post-Secondary Institutions Strategic Investment Fund, and a number of public and private partners.

The Centre is the training base for students in the Powerline Technician

In addition to the federal funding, she noted, "Chatham-Kent's municipal government and the area's Community Foundation have also provided generous donations to the development of this facility. Public utilities, private-sector energy companies, and electrical industry suppliers have enthusiastically supported the program from Day One, providing curriculum development advice, instructional expertise, work-placements for our students, and equipment donations."

The 6,500-square-foot facility on ten acres on Bear Line Road offers



program and the Powerline Maintainer-Red Seal Trade program.

"This partnership between education, government, and private-sector industries demonstrates how Canada can effectively address its skilled trades gap," said St. Clair President Patti France. "It's a win/win situation: the Canadian economy is enhanced by this infusion of new technicians, and the students obtain rewarding and in-demand careers. St. Clair is proud to be serving both the nation and young people with this program, and can more effectively do so with this state-of-the-art new facility now in place".

flexible learning space with an indoor climbing lab, rescue/repelling lab, underground training lab, with multi-use truck bay space, tool and equipment storage, and staff offices.

Currently, the program has an enrolment of 144 first- and second-year Powerline students, making it the largest postsecondary training centre for this trade in the Ontario. The Centre is also approved to offer Level I & II of the 434A Powerline Technician apprenticeship trade through its partnership with the Infrastructure Health and Safety Association.

New tradespeople are desperately



needed in this essential field because the average age of Powerline Technicians in Ontario currently sits at 55 years old. Like many trades, this is indicative of the looming "skilled trades gap": a great many "Baby-Boomer-era" retirements are imminent in the infrastructure building and maintenance trades within the next decade, but not enough young people are currently enrolled in educational programs to replace those workers.

Reflecting on the job security of this and other trades, France noted, "As graduates build a satisfying and successful career for themselves, they will also be building a stronger economy for Canada. Maintaining and enhancing the infrastructure of this nation is essential to its comfort and growth. No element of that infrastructure is as fundamental as its energy system. New-and-improved hospitals, housing, businesses and industries – and, yes, colleges and schools – none of that can occur unless an efficient, secure and reliable power system is in place. It is the students educated in this new facility who will lay that groundwork – or that way-above-the-ground-work."

Sixteen-hundred-plus makes us Number One

From An Early-April, 2019
Saint Scene

We're Number One ... out of a couple thousand.

In a ceremony in the Student Life Centre on April 4, St. Clair was recognized as having the largest enrolment of Computer Systems Technology students of all postsecondary schools in North America which have partnerships with the Cisco Networking Academy.

Cisco Systems is a private-sector company, headquartered in California's high-tech-laden Silicon Valley, founded in 1984. It pioneered the concept of networked (connected) computers, and is still a global leader in networking technology (hardware, software and methodology).

For over 20 years, the company has had an educational component – developing partnerships with secondary and postsecondary schools to provide them with hardware, software, curriculum advice, mentorship, and the accreditation of graduates as “Cisco Networking Academy Certified”.

In Ontario, in 2018, over 14,000 students at 80 schools were taught in Cisco partnerships. Canada-wide, there were almost 27,000 students at 215 schools. Across North America, over 200,000 students at approximately 2,000 schools benefited from the offerings of the Cisco Academy.

And during the 2018-19 academic year, St. Clair had the highest enrolment of all of those Cisco-partnered, Computer Networking programs, with 1,680 students.

The college has been partnered with the Cisco Networking Academy since 2005.

Accepting the company's recognition during the April 4th ceremony, St. Clair President Patti France thanked Cisco “for everything you've done for the college, our students and our graduates during our long-standing partnership – for the hardware, software, and curriculum content advice.

“The very fact that we have partnered with you explains, to a great degree, why prospective students find these programs so attractive; and why our grads have gone on to such



fulfilling careers. From that perspective, I suppose we should really be giving you an award too, because our enrolment achievement is also a recognition of the importance of Cisco accreditation.”

France added, “The record-setting increase in enrolment in these programs during the past few years has

arisen from the huge influx of international students who have found their way to St. Clair.

“While many of them, we hope, will eventually become new Canadians and contribute to our nation's development; others will return to their home-lands, with their newly acquired knowledge and skills, to build, enhance and revolutionize the infrastructure and economies of countries around the globe.

“In addition to welcoming a large percentage of our incoming international scholars,” she noted, “our Networking programs are remarkable for the substantial percentage of women who make up the enrolment. Cisco recognized us for that a few years ago, when females represented over twenty percent of program enrolment – almost double the national average.”

Cisco Canada President Rola Dagher called St. Clair “a hidden gem” among some of the larger colleges and universities served by her company's academic wing.

The event's enrolment announcement, she said, means the college is “Number One in making a difference in ... the economy, locally and throughout Canada ... And we are committed to continue to empower you to make a better Canada everyday.”

Dagher added, “Over the years, Cisco has been making strong investments in projects and programs that help

accelerate Canada's digitization and shape a modern economy that is skilled, innovative, creative, inclusive and capable of adapting quickly as new opportunities emerge.

“We are proud of the partnership we've developed with St. Clair to empower young Canadians with technology, and we are excited to build on the local success here in the years to come.”



Experience the future at 500 km/h



From an Early-March, 2019 Saint Scene

"Life in the fast lane" ... it's what a number of local postsecondary students are experiencing.

Currently, 14 St. Clairians are on-board a college-University of Windsor team that has become a finalist in a prestigious international design contest staged by Elon Musk's SpaceX corporation.

The UofW/St. Clair team is one of 21 finalists – of 1,300 entries from postsecondary institutions around the world – to qualify for the 2019 Hyperloop competition in California this July.

Hyperloop is inventor/entrepreneur Elon Musk's concept of high-speed ground transportation. Wikipedia describes it as "a proposed mode of passenger and/or freight transportation, first used to describe an open-source vactrain design released by a joint team from Tesla and SpaceX. Drawing heavily from (physicist/rocket-inventor) Robert Goddard's vactrain, a hyperloop is a sealed tube or system of tubes through which a pod may travel free of air resistance or friction conveying people or objects at high speed while being very efficient."

For the past several years, SpaceX has been inviting postsecondary students from throughout the world to

design their versions of Hyperloop vehicles.

The UofW/St. Clair team captured its spot in the 2019 competition, according to St. Clair Professor/team advisor Ivan Canjar, "after live-streaming their design presentation to SpaceX on February 24 – which included a grueling, two-hour interview about their design."

The local team will be joined in the July contest by such previous Hyperloop contest participants (and winners) as the Delft University of Technology of Holland; the Scientific Workgroup for Rocketry and Space Flight of the Technical University of Munich, Germany; the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; and the

University of California, Berkeley.

Over the past several years, other participating Canadian schools have included the University of Toronto, the University of Waterloo, and Newfoundland's Memorial University.

The academic disciplines involved in the project are varied. From St. Clair, currently represented programs include Mechanical Technician – Computer Assisted Design/Computer Assisted Manufacturing (CAD/CAM), Mechanical Engineering Technology – Automotive Product Design, and Mechanical Engineering Technician – Industrial. The UofW's membership includes students from Engineering and Business.

The St. Clair portion of the joint university/college team includes students Fabio Pellarin, Harshkumar Prajapati, Jason Le, Jeff Patrick, Juan Porras, Luka Mlinarevic, Mohammed Alsalah, Kevin Villages, Tracey Remeloso-Talbot, Kirubel Yitna, Susie Tweney and Tiansong Shan. St. Clair faculty advisors are Professors Ivan Canjar and Domenico Rossi.

Between now and the week-long competition in California in July, the students will be seeking sponsorships (the estimated cost of the whole project and attending the competition is \$87,000), refining designs and calculations, and building and testing their pod.



Partnerships are out of mothballs



From an Early-December, 2018 Saint Scene

President Patti France's "Christmas present" to the college's Board of Governors (BofG): The revelation that the college will not, during the next couple of years, be losing \$7 million.

Or, depending upon how you look at the situation, maybe that was the Conservative provincial government's gift to the college.

Let's back-track ...

A half-dozen years ago, St. Clair entered into a partnership with a private college in Toronto called the Ace Acumen Academy.

That is a school that provides English As Second Language training and secondary school education to international students.

St. Clair – like half-a-dozen other, non-Toronto-area public colleges which also partnered with private schools in the GTA – developed a "satellite campus" arrangement with Ace Acumen, enabling its grads to transition into postsecondary educations by taking college courses.

Within a year or two of the partnership's launch, St. Clair was offering a half-dozen programs at Ace Acumen: Business, Human Resources Management, Computer Systems Technician-Networking, Social Service Worker-Gerontology, International Business Management, and Freight Forwarding. The programs' curricula was authored by St. Clair; the Toronto-based faculty were overseen by St. Clair; and, upon the successful conclusion of their studies, the Acumen-based students received St. Clair diplomas and certificates.

Like the other public colleges providing such "add-on" servicing to the private schools, it appeared to be a "win/win/win" situation for all of the concerned parties: the students received postsecondary educations in a familiar and convenient setting; the private school was able to bolster its marketing with this additional service; and the public college was able to generate some additional revenue for itself in the form of the tuitions charged at the satellite campuses.

In 2017, however, this entire situation began to unravel.

It is suspected that some of the Toronto-based public colleges began to gripe about the fact that their non-GTA colleagues – such as St. Clair – were infringing upon "their turf" by establishing the satellite campuses.

Whatever the case, during the latter stages of the Liberal provincial government, the then-Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development (now the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities) launched a review of the public/private college partnerships.

In August of 2017, the ministry announced that public/private college partnerships would be "wound down" (a gradual reduction of new enrolment), and eventually cease to exist.

About the only rationale cited by the ministry for its decision was that the satellite campuses were not providing students with "the full college experience, nor fully integrating international students into their new communities."

For St. Clair, the elimination of its Ace Acumen partnership meant that

it would be losing the approximately 1,200 to 1,500 students enrolled there annually.

In the current (2018-19) budget-year, the college had anticipated revenues from Ace Acumen of approximately \$7 million. The gradual phasing out of new enrolment was expected to lead to a decline in that revenue to approximately \$4 million next year, dipping to zilch a year or two after that when the Liberal-ordered elimination of public/private partnerships took effect fully.

One over-riding characteristic has been evident following this June's election of the Premier Doug Ford-led Conservative government ... If the previous Liberal government implemented a policy, the Tories seem very likely to reverse it.

And this is what has happened in this instance.

France told the BofG during its December 4th meeting that she had just received firm confirmation of previously rumoured indications that the ministry would be scrapping the moratorium, and allowing public/private college partnerships – including St. Clair's with Ace Acumen – to continue.

There may, for a time, still be some controls over the levels of new enrolment as the ministry studies how partnerships are formed, if other schools should be involved, and how quality is gauged and maintained in such satellite settings. But the very good news, France emphasized, is that the outright eradication of such public/private marriages will not be occurring.

“Civil Centre” bears Faas name

From a Mid-September, 2018 Saint Scene

Andy Faas hopes the St. Clair building that now bears his name will be the site of “civil, emotionally intelligent dialogue and relationship-building” for many years to come.

On September 17, the Student Centre at the college’s Chatham Campus has named in honour of the school’s long-time benefactor.

St. Clair President Patti France laid out Faas’ background in her remarks to the audience who gathered for the sign-unveiling ceremony:

Andy graduated from the college in 1972 in Business Administration. And, apparently, he learned his lessons well in that program. Over the next two decades, he climbed the executive ladder at the Weston/Loblaw Group and, subsequently, at Shoppers Drug Mart – from which he, eventually, retired as its Executive Vice-President and Managing Partner.

In 1992, his many professional achievements and philanthropy led St. Clair to name him one of our “Alumni of Distinction”.

In 2008, as we were launching our capital fundraiser to



build the SportsPlex in Windsor and the HealthPlex in Chatham, Andy kicked off that effort in a big way, donating one million dollars to the campaign to construct the new athletic facilities.

The best architectural choice to honour his support of the college was this beautiful Student Centre. This Student Centre’s function, the role of student organizations at the college, and



Andy’s contributions to the college all share one thing in common: namely, enhancing the well-being of students at St. Clair, by providing them with an atmosphere of support and friendship.

In his remarks, Faas noted that the function of the Student Centre and one of the goals of his philanthropic foundation were identical: to develop environments that

foster open, healthy and non-threatening communication.

Welcoming facilities and gathering places – such as Student Centres – should serve as sites that encourage civil conversations, respectful dialogues, the development of individual and group reciprocity, and the building of healthy relationships based upon “emotional intelligence”.

For more information about Faas’ work in the fields of emotional wellness, “psychologically safe workplaces” and anti-bullying, see his foundation’s website at <http://www.faasfoundation.org/>.



Student honoured for life-saving response

From a Mid-September, 2018 Saint Scene

A St. Clair Office Administration-Health Services student might want to reconsider his professional aspirations, because he was recently honoured for some paramedic-like service to the community.

During the September 11th Tecumseh town council meeting, Student Jagmanjot Singh Deol was presented with a certification of appreciation by the municipal government, recognizing his role in providing life-saving first aid to an accident-injured motorist.

Also recognized was University of Windsor student Bikramjeet Singh.

The pair was working in a Tecumseh gas station when the accident occurred, and rushed out to assist and comfort the trapped motorist until an ambulance crew arrived.

Commenting on the posting of this photo on Facebook, Tecumseh Councillor Rita Ossington noted, "Very proud of these two young international students. (Their) Quick action at the instruction of the 911 operator while waiting for the ambulance helped save a man's life. Thank you."

Pictured, left to right, during the presentation of the certificates are Tecumseh Deputy-Mayor Joe Bachetti, Singh, Deol and Mayor Gary McNamara.



Town's donation pumps up the college



From an Early-October, 2018 Saint Scene

In early-October, members of the Tecumseh Fire and Rescue Services participated in a ceremonial handing over of a truck to the St. Clair College Pre-Service Firefighter program.

The truck was declared "surplussed" by the municipal council in late-September, making it eligible for the donation.

"Tecumseh recognizes the importance of supporting our local and regional community," said Mayor Gary McNamara. "Many of our firefighters came through the St. Clair College program and, by providing this truck to them, it means that our future firefighters will be trained on a former Tecumseh truck. That is a legacy we fully support."

The truck is a 1990 Spartan pumper that has outlived its use as a front-line vehicle for the town.

It still has several years left as a training vehicle for students in the program, to teach them how to drive and operate this type of large vehicle.

The truck was originally purchased by Tecumseh in

1990, and has been used for major incidents like the Bonduelle fire.

"It is so very fitting that this generous donation is occurring at the outset of International Fire Prevention Week," said St. Clair President Patti France. "By providing St. Clair's Pre-Service Firefighter students with the opportunity to be trained on such modern equipment, Tecumseh Fire and Rescue Services is ensuring that the next generation of this integral profession will be well versed in both combatting and preventing fires."

Members of the Tecumseh Fire and Rescue Services volunteer their time with the college as members of the Steering and Advisory Committee; and Tecumseh's Fire Tower, Smoke House and Confined Space training facilities are also used by the college for training purposes.

Accepting the keys of the truck from Mayor McNamara was St. Clair Chair of Skilled Trades Lido Zuccato.



Lights-and-sirens for Paramedics too

Also obtaining a new emergency services vehicle this year was the college's Paramedic program, thanks to a donation by the Windsor-Essex EMS. The new rig was snazzed up with the college's new gryphon logo.

Marketers' marvellous medals

From a Mid-November, 2018 Saint Scene • Contributed by Professor Nicole Rourke

Extremely proud to announce the following results for St. Clair at the Ontario Colleges Marketing Competition, held recently at Fanshawe College:

Gold: Marketing Research: Aurora Fowler and Steven Haas (Coach Nicole Rourke and Assistant Coach Justina Ciarlariello);

Silver: Sales Presentation: Caitlyn Cave (Coach Veronica Bulmer);

Silver: Quiz Bowl: Summer Crosby (Coach Nicole Rourke and Assistant Coach Veronica Bulmer. There was a tie-breaker for the gold in overtime.);



Fourth: Retail: Ashley Dutot and Chase Meredith (Coach Garry Glatter);

Fourth: Prospect Pitching: Patrick Thompson and Chris Garbutt (Coach Barry Rivard and Assistant Coach Gino Bordignon);

Fourth: Quiz Bowl: Steven Haas (Coach Nicole Rourke and Assistant Coach Veronica Bulmer).

Medal winners go on to the National Competition in Montreal in February.

Nailed it! Students supply new park signage

From an April, 2019 Saint Scene

For the past half-dozen years or so, the customary year-end project of the college's Carpentry and Renovation Techniques program has been the construction of beautiful wood gazebos – which, upon completion, have been installed throughout the grounds of the campus.

But, this year, in keeping with St. Clair's spirit of service to the community-at-large, the faculty, staff and students of the program opted for an off-site donation of their skills.

After learning about the need for new signage at Windsor's Ojibway Nature Centre and Park, the young carpenters grabbed their power tools to start turning out four new information kiosks for the municipal park on Matchette Road.

To be erected on huge posts, the signs (protected by cedar-shake roofs) will provide information about the flora and fauna of the park to hikers.

The signs will also have metallic plaques citing the contribution of the college's students.



Biomed student rules the universe

From an August, 2018 Saint Scene

A St. Clair Biomedical Engineering Technology student was recently crowned as the 2018 Miss Universe Canada – and she'll be headed off to compete for the international title in Thailand in December*.

Marta Stepien won the 16th annual contest in Toronto on August 18, after competing against more than 40 other women from across the country.

Her bio on the Miss Universe Canada website noted:

Marta was born in Warsaw, Poland, and was raised in Windsor. She is entering her last year of her Biomedical Engineering Technology studies, and is working as an applied researcher, and model. Marta is extremely passionate about her field of studies, and hopes to inspire young women to not shy away from STEM fields, but rather to shatter glass ceilings and break barriers.

Education has been a lifelong focal point of Marta's life. A passion for technology and an admiration for modern medicine inspired her to pursue a career in both fields. Currently, she holds are 3.96 GPA, and is going to be completing her final year of studies at St. Clair College. She is also completing a certificate through the HMX Fundamentals program at Harvard Medical School in genetics and immunology in her spare time. Her love for education and STEM has given her opportunities to work as a researcher, and improve the lives of others by doing what she loves. This love, along with along with her passion for giving back to the community, led her to becoming an ambassador for Le Petit Écolière – a Toronto based company that works with Plan Canada and Plan International in order to provide young girls the means to an education.

Modeling has been a huge part of Marta's life, beginning her career in the industry at the age of 14. After being scouted, she signed with a mother agency in Toronto. By the time she was 15, she was signed in Paris and Seoul, and was actively working at her career and traveling often – all while balancing it with completing her high school education. Currently,



she is signed in Toronto, Canada; London, England; Miami, USA; and Zurich, Switzerland. She has worked with brands such as Charlotte Tilbury, Lululemon, Schwartzkopf, Beach Bunny, Naeem Khan, and Selfridges, shot campaigns for David Shoe Stores, Hello Kitty, and Calla Blanche Bridal, and appeared in dozens of publications. It's given her the opportunity to see the world at a young age, which helped shape the strong independent

woman she has grown into today.

Travelling the world through both modeling and pageantry allowed Marta to better understand the world and people around her. It also opened her eyes to the issues in the world, and made her determined to become part of the solution to said problems. She currently focuses her efforts to end stereotypes, and inspire young women to follow their ambitions, through her volunteering and guest speaking opportunities.

Though pageantry has been a new challenge for Marta, she feels that it encompasses many of the things that are important to her in life: modeling, education, volunteering, and above all, making a positive impact on her community and the world. After placing first runner-up at Miss Universe Canada 2017, she went on to receive the title of Miss International Canada 2017, and compete at Miss International that year. Marta also represented Canada at Reinado Internacional del Café 2018 (Miss International Queen of Coffee) where she placed first runner-up – a pageant where Canada hadn't placed at since 2006. Her pageant experience has taught her how to overcome barriers, and stand up for what you believe in. Marta is actively and ambitiously working towards proudly representing Canada on the Miss Universe stage.

** She ended up placing in the Top Ten at the Miss Universe pageant.*



Three other individuals with St. Clair connections also participated in the competition this year: current Gerontology student (and Tourism-Travel and Office Administration grad) Kallie Szarka, and Public Relations graduates Cierra Bray and Sara Pizzacaroli.



What it all means

There is absolutely no truth to the rumour that St. Clair is the patron saint of “people standing in long lines, for long durations, waiting to pay for books that half of them will never read”.

Instead, a booklet published in 1992-93 to mark the campus’ 25th anniversary provides an accurate explanation of the college’s name and its symbol, the mythological Griffin:

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Moving on to slightly more recent history, we find ourselves on the deck of a sailing ship owned by the Sieur de La Salle. This is the first ship to ply the Great Lakes above Niagara Falls.

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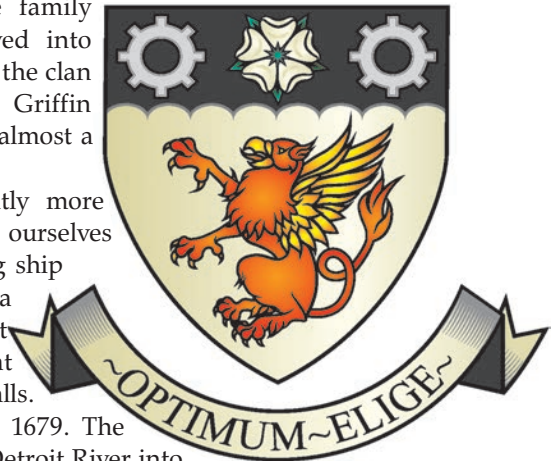
The Liripipe that you receive at Convocation - the shoulder-draping, scarf-like thing that makes it all official - also has a bunch of symbolic overtones.

It is presented to signify acceptance into the community of St. Clair graduates.

The Liripipe is a band of green velvet, edged with gold braid, with four tassels representing the four major areas in the St. Clair community: Essex and Kent Counties, and the Cities of Windsor and Chatham.

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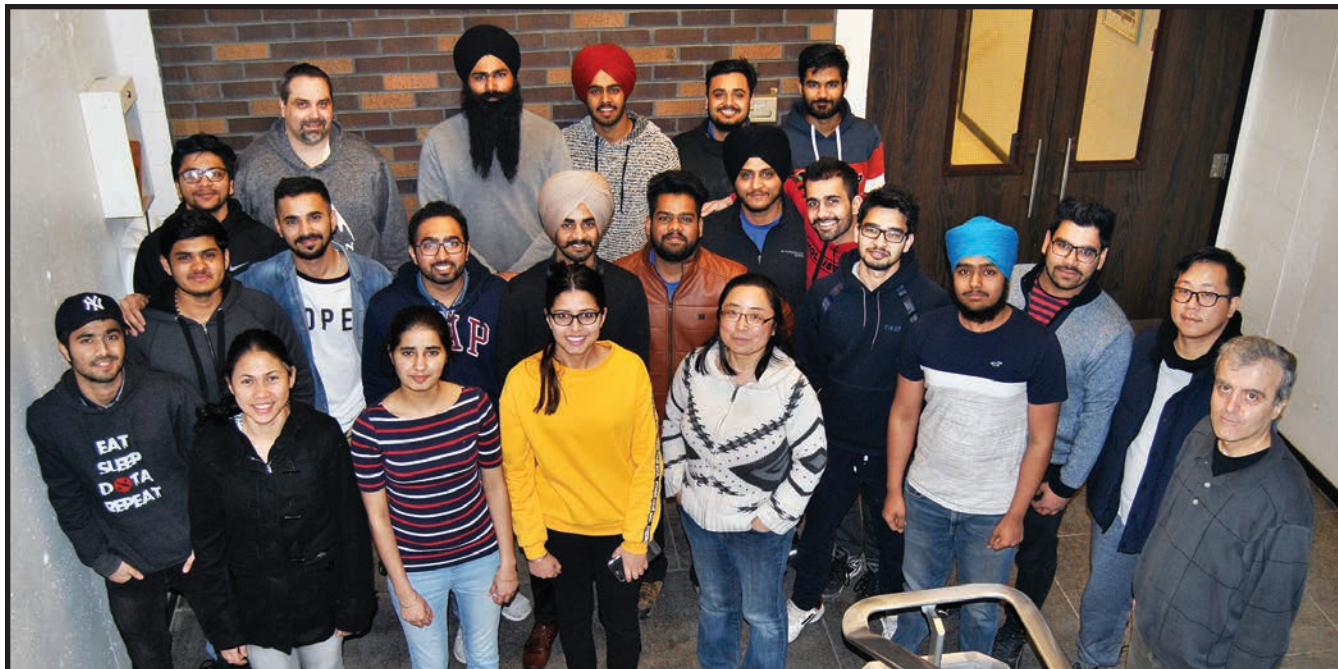


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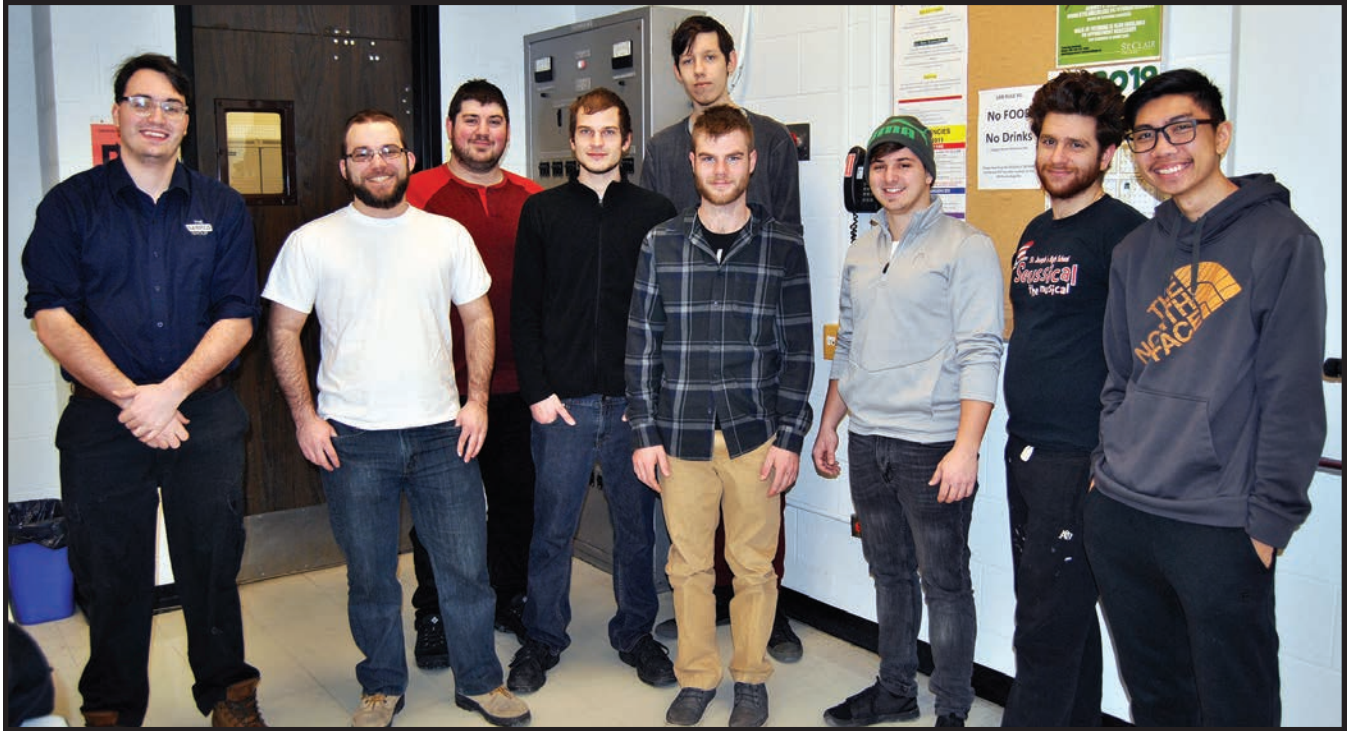
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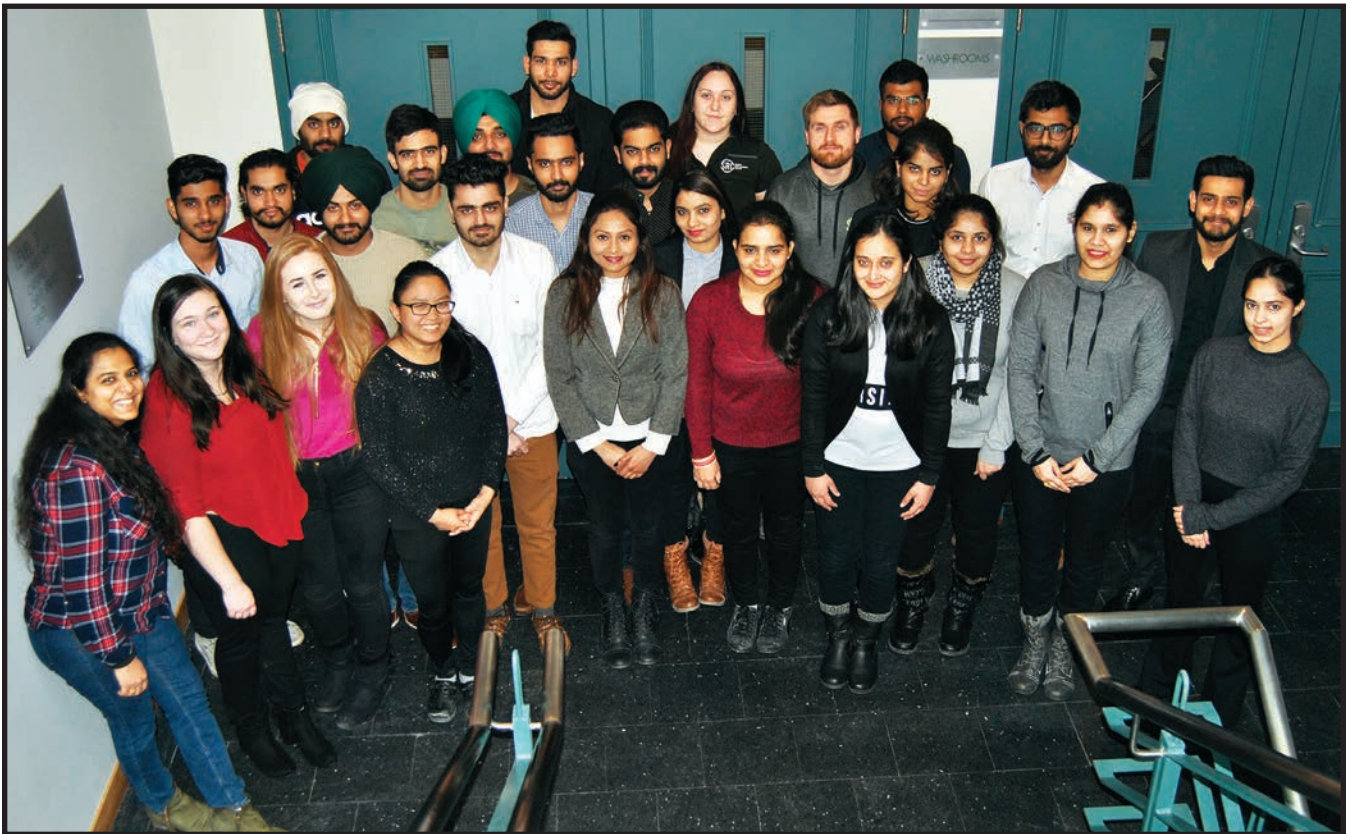
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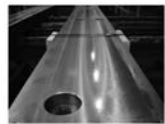
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**From an Early-February, 2019
Saint Scene**

As the old song goes, "The Saints Will Come Marching Home" within about ten months.

A February 1st media conference and sod-turning at the college unveiled St. Clair's new, \$21.5 million Sports Park.

To be located at the south end of campus, the Sports Park will feature a new soccer stadium, tennis complex, sand volleyball courts, fieldhouse, concession stands, and a concourse area; and, in its second phase, a new softball/baseball diamond. There will also be new parking lots, capable of accommodating 450 vehicles.

Specifically, the features include:

- Soccer stadium: artificial turf, fully lit for night play, 1,500 individual seats, press box, jumbo video score-board;
- Outdoor sand volleyball complex: four courts, fully lit for night play, snack bar/restaurant;
- Tennis centre: four indoor courts, pro shop, dressing rooms;
- Softball diamond: artificial turf, fully lit for night play, bleachers for 400 fans;
- Landmark beacon entrance: creates college visibility from highway, entrance to streetscape that provides the walkway through the park.

Spearheading the project is the Student Representative Council (SRC), which has overseen the design of the development (with the college's administration), and arranged

the lion's share of its financing. The mortgage for the Sports Park will be paid off over the next couple of decades by a specially designated student fee – an extension of the fee that was initially implemented to construct the college's SportsPlex (gym and fitness centre).

Several private-sector donations are also assisting with the facility's construction:

- Last year, the philanthropic foundation of Barry and Stephanie Zekelman and the steel-manufacturing Zekelman Industries donated \$5 million to the college to assist with the expansion of the School of Business and Information Technology. As part of that package, the Zekelmans directed that some of the funding should be used to foster the couple's favourite sport: tennis. So, the new courts of the Sports Park will be crested with the Zekelman name;

- Mike Schlater of Leamington, the President and CEO of Domino's Pizza (Canada), has donated one million dollars to the project. The Domino's logo will adorn the huge new score-board of the soccer stadium; and

- The Windsor Family Credit Union (WFCU), which is providing the mortgage funding for the development, is also contributing a monetary donation. That will lead to the christening of the entire site as the "St. Clair Sports Park, Presented by the WFCU".

For the past several years, the physical deterioration of the campus' existing soccer pitches, coupled with the

shortage of spectator facilities for both soccer and baseball/softball, had led the college to move its home game for those outdoor sports to such sites as the Libro Centre field in Amherstburg, Windsor's Mic Mac Park and Tecumseh's Lacasse Park.

College President Patti France noted, "Bringing the teams home to campus has been very important to us. But the financial constraints associated with capital spending within the college system had prevented us from carrying out this development; until now, when our student organizations stepped forward, indicated that new athletic facilities were on the top of their 'wish list' too, and asserted that they could – and would – make this dream a reality.

"Just as it spearheaded the financing and construction of the facility you are in right now – the Student Life Centre – our Student Representative Council will be overseeing all aspects of the funding and construction of the Sports Park. Once completed, the Student Athletic Association will be largely responsible for its day-to-day operation."

Discussing their integral role in the project, St. Clair Board of Governors Chair Dan Allen praised the student organizations: "When I was a student, the extent of project planning and involvement on the part of my campus organizations dealt with the staging of dances, proms, and maybe the occasional field trip ... When I was in my late-teens and early-20s, I don't recall that either I or my contemporaries were initiating and overseeing multi-million property developments, negotiating big financial transactions, or signing off on architectural blueprints.

"In my opinion, all of the sarcasm that one now hears about how members of the millennial generation don't have real-world skills or mind-sets is entirely wrong. The student leaders who have been associated with this project are among the most innovative, conscientious, intelligent and forward-thinking people – of any age – that I've ever met. And I say 'forward-thinking' because, by arranging for this development, they are not only responding to the demands of current students, but providing for the needs

of St. Clair students and student-athletes for decades in the future."

Laura Walker, President of the Student Athletic Association, observed, "We know that financial constraints have made it difficult for the college (administration) to move ahead with this project until now. Still, according to surveys carried out during the past five to ten years, one of the chief demands by students has been for additional facilities for leisure-time, entertainment, recreational and athletic activities."

Picking up on that thought, SRC President Holly Nicholson added, "In partnership with the college, we've addressed many of those concerns during the past decade. We've built the SportsPlex to provide gym space for our indoor sports and fitness club requirements, and the Student Life Centre for social and entertainment purposes. And, now, with this project, we're addressing the needs of our other athletic pursuits – soccer, sand volleyball, tennis and, down the road, softball and baseball. Oh, and cricket too."

Walker continued, "The amenities for spectators in the Sports Park will ensure that family, friends and fans will have a wonderful experience when they turn out for games at the new site. I'm certain that the new stadium will be playing host to both provincial and national college championships in the future – and serving as the venue of local leagues, and maybe such events as Special Olympics, and the Ontario and Canada Summer Games."

Making reference to the 1989 film, France said, "The tag-line of Kevin Costner's 'Field Of Dreams' was 'Build it and they will come'. That is our expectation and hope, too: that we will build this new Sports Park, and they will come ... student-athletes on our varsity teams; students-in-general, playing intramural sports and leisure-time games; fans filling the bleachers; and local children, adults and seniors seeking fun and fitness."

The Sports Park has been designed by the local Architectura Inc. firm, and the general contractor will be the Fortis Group.



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Cross-country Running



Back row, left to right:
Paul Boots (Head
Coach), Andre Tomasian,
Rick Nepomuceno, Tyler
Jones, Thador Tekhli,
Tyler Tofflemire, Jack
Porter, Jimmy Stewart
(Asst. Coach);
Front row: Aryana Cirino,
Samantha Boussey,
Hannah Cirino, Beth
Horrobin, Nicole
DesRosiers-Michienzi,
Jessica Hodgkin.
Season Results:
Fanshawe College
Invitational: Men's Team
1st place, Rick
Nepomuceno 2nd place;
Seneca College
Invitational: Men's Team
1st place; Centennial
College Invitational:

Men's Team 1st place, Rick Nepomuceno 3rd place; OCAA Championship: Men's Team Gold Medal, Women's Team 7th place; CCAA Championship: Men's Team Gold Medal, Tyler Jones (10th Place, All-Canadian), Women's Team 14th place.

Men's All-Ontario First-Team: Thador Tekhli (4th Place, OCAA Rookie of the Year), Rick Nepomuceno (5th Place), Tyler Jones (6th Place). Men's All-Ontario Second-Team: Andre Tomasian (9th Place). OCAA All-Academic: Aryana Cirino, Hannah Cirino, Jessica Hodgkin, Andre Tomasian.

Women's Softball

Back row,
left to right:
Joyce
Ouellette
(Statistics),
Doug
Wiseman
(Head
Coach), Mark
Ouellette
(Asst.
Coach),
Lauryn
Schram,



Megan Lumley, Olivia Elliott, Kim Moroun, Rya Cowan, Alexandra Senft, Sara Stiller, Marv Lumley (Asst. Coach), Wayne Campbell (Sport Therapist & Equipment Coordinator), Meaghan Lyons (Student Trainer);
Front row: Tiana Lachance, Rachel Stiller, Jordan Taylor, Jordyn Clark, Madisyn Clark, Mary O'Neil, Jessica Hebert, Michaela Rilett, Hannah DesRosiers, Alex Wiseman (Asst. Coach).
Season Record: 20-4 (1st Place). OCAA Championship Silver Medal (2-2). CCSA National Championship: 5th Place (1-4).

OCAA All-Stars: Megan Lumley, Michaela Rilett. OCAA Batting Champion: Michaela Rilett. OCAA Player of the Year: Michaela Rilett. OCAA Coach of the Year: Doug Wiseman. OCAA Championship All-Stars: Mary O'Neil, Jordan Taylor. OCAA All-Academic: Rya Cowan, Megan Lumley, Kimberly Moroun, Mary O'Neil, Alexandra Senft, Rachel Stiller, Sara Stiller.

Men's Baseball



Back row, left to right: Casey Boutette (Asst. Coach), Carley Sheerer (Student Trainer), Bob Kanally (Statistics/Announcer), Taylor Pappin, Josh Thorpe, Jordan Pine, Keeshaun Such, Evan Ferguson, Mitchell Prsa, Michael Beale, Micah Harris, Miguel Cienfuegos, Roberto Duncan, Matthew Brooks, Kyle Breitner (Asst. Coach), Tristan Bouchat (Asst. Coach), Dave Cooper (Head Coach/Manager);
Front row: Ryan Holmes, Kyle Gagnon, Brendan Renaud,

Mitchell Gault, Michael Hamlin, Hoi Ting (Tommy) Cheng, Kaine Doumani, Darian Gray, Ryley Vernon, Patrick Kibble, Ryan Esler, Garik Godard, Lucas Renaud, Tyler Lansley, Kevin Dion;
Absent: Max Ayarza.

Season Record: 15-5 (2nd Place). OCAA Championship Silver Medal (2-2). National College Championship Silver Medal (3-1).

OCAA All-Stars: Kevin Dion, Miguel Cienfuegos. OCAA Player of the Year: Kevin Dion. OCAA Championship All-Star: Garik Godard, Brendan Renaud. OCAA All-Academic: Roberto Duncan, Ryan Esler, Kyle Gagnon, Mitchell Prsa. National Championship All-Star Team: Garik Godard, Miguel Cienfuegos, Matt Brooks.

Women's Soccer



Back row, left to right: Alex Samping (Asst. Coach), Charesse Thomas-Tate (Asst. Coach), Avarie Provost, Tira Copeland,

Ravneet Rana, Lindsey Campbell, Aleah Berenz, Cassie Rose-Medeiros, Natalie Turner, Jaclyn French, Kris Geier (Head Coach), Gadeer Sobh (Associate Coach);

Front row: Ryan Morneau, Jessica Mattice, Alayna Banks, Cassie Nicholas, Michaela Bondar, Madison Kaldenbach, Stephanie Turner, Serena Smith, Alexandria Schooley, Katia Palmer.

Season Record: 3-5-2, 4th Place, OCAA West. OCAA Championship: 1-2 record (consolation runner-up, 6th place OCAA). CCAA Academic All-Canadian: Cassie Nicholas. West Region All-Stars: Cassie Nicholas. OCAA All Academic: Lindsey Campbell, Cassie Nicholas, Tira Copeland, Ryan Morneau, Serena Smith, Cassie Rose-Medeiros.

Men's Soccer



Back row, left to right: Mike Baraslievski (Head Coach), Korede Adepitan, Evan Mendonca, Ahmed Ahmeddin, Chris Spadafora, Michael Roncone, Tyrone Mulder, Josh Hunter, Sergey Glisic, Mardin Lopez, Petar Stevkovski, Ed Krusarovski (Asst. Coach);

Front row: Jagger Schives, Dillon Hayes, Drew Grantham, Braedan Vaile, Haiden Gelinas, Nik Bauer, Thomas DiMaggio, Frankie Calvaruso, Bastian Aguilera, Matt Montaleone;

Absent: Rick Clews (Asst. Coach), Petur Mar Burnhoft, Hadi Saleh.

Season Record: 5-5 (4th Place OCAA West Region). Lost in Playoff Crossover.

West Region All-Stars: Korede Adepitan, Bastien Aguilera. CCAA Academic All-Canadian: Korede Adepitan. OCAA All Academic: Korede Adepitan, Sergey Glisic, Chris Spadafora.

Women's Basketball

Back row, left to right: Phil Milanis (Asst. Coach), Amanda Milanis (Asst. Coach), Jana Kucera, Noor Bazzi, Kirsten Zelina, Kim Moroun, Caileigh Chauvin, Tyler Carroll, Roger Mousseau (Asst. Coach), Logan Kucera, Andy Kiss (Head Coach); Front row: Jaimi Chauvin, Marissa



Mara, Hayley Firr, Anna Ulicny, Tanay Freckleton, Keirsten Tomkins, Khuloud Ahmad. Season Record: 12-8 (4th place OCAA West Division). Crossover Play-off: Won 71-47 vs. Seneca. OCAA Championship: OCAA Silver Medal (2-1). CCAA Championship: 7th Place (1-2). OCAA Championship All-Star Team: Jana Kucera, Kim Moroun. West Division All-Star: Jana Kucera (1st Team). OCAA West Division & OCAA Scoring Champion: Jana Kucera. West Division All-Rookie Team: Keirsten Tomkins. West Division Rookie of the Year: Keirsten Tomkins. CCAA Championship All-Star Team: Jana Kucera (2nd Team). OCAA All-Academic: Jana Kucera, Logan Kucera, Anna Ulicny, Keirsten Tomkins. CCAA Academic All-Canadian: Jana Kucera.

Men's Basketball



Back row, left to right: Brendon Seguin (Co-Head Coach), Javonte Mitchell, Glynn Willis-Paris, Albert (TJ) Howard, Jalen Sykes, Ian Smart, Daelyn Davis, Matt Sykes (Co-Head Coach), Mitchell Skilton, (Student Manager);

Front row: Nik Veigli, Adrian Guenther, Blake Butler, Juwan Lynch, David Gomez Jr, Ali Mansour, Khodr, Ahmad.

Season Record: 10-10 (7th place OCAA West Division) Lost crossover play-off.

OCAA West Division All-Star: David Gomez Jr. (2nd Team). OCAA All-Academic: Dallas Akins, Javonte Mitchell.

Women's Volleyball



Back row, left to right: Victoria Warner (Asst. Coach), Taylor Fitzgerald (Asst. Coach), Sam Gerbig, Ally Kozak, Andie Suthers, Kiana Gelissen, Jessica Masse, Amelia Oliverio, Jen Taylor, Rileigh Davis, Colin Loebach (Asst. Coach), Jimmy El-Turk (Head Coach); Front row: Te-Anna

Stephenson, Julie Ann Milling, Jordan Pranger, Jaimie Randall, Kim Quintanilla;
Absent: Kyle Williamson (Asst. Coach).

Season Record: 15-3 (2nd Place, OCAA West Region). Ranked as High as 9th in Canada. OCAA Championship: 1-2 Record.

West Region All-Stars: Te-Anna Stephenson (1st Team) Jessica Masse (2nd team), Julie Ann Milling (1st Team). OCAA West Division Scoring Champion: Te-Anna Stephenson. OCAA West Division Coach of the Year and OCAA Coach of the Year: Jimmy El-Turk. CCAA Academic All Canadian: Julie Ann Milling. OCAA All Academic: Julie Ann Milling, Rileigh Davis, Kiana Gelissen, Sam Gerbig, Amelia Oliverio, Jaimie Randall, Andie Suthers.

Men's Volleyball



Back row, left to right: Jeff Austen (Asst. Coach), Michael Beale, CJ Hospedales, Ryan Acott, Frankie Friesen, Michael Knight, Michael Bondy, Spencer Vanderlaan, Ricky Friesen, Shane Way, Stephen Carter (Associate Head Coach);

Front row: Mook Soe, Michael Vriesema, Rob Lynch (Head Coach), Zach Draper, Kyle Tran;

Absent: Raul Martinez (Asst. Coach).

Season Record: 5-13 (8th Place, OCAA West Region). Lost in playoff crossover.

OCAA All Academic: Michael Knight, Zach Draper, Frankie Friesen, Michael Vriesema, Kyle Tran.

Women's Indoor Soccer

Back
row, left
to
right:
Alex
Samping
(Asst.
Coach),
Kris Geier
(Head
Coach),
Aleah
Berenz,
Kaitlyn
Austin,
Lindsey
Campbell,
Jaclyn
French,



Tira Copeland, Ravneet Rana, Cassie Rose-Medeiros, Gadeer Sobh (Associate Coach);
Front row: Ryan Morneau, Serena Smith, Alayna Banks, Natalie Turner, Madison Kaldenbach, Cassie
Nicholas, Alexandria Schooley, Avarie Provost.
Season Record: Sheridan Invitational (3-0-1), Redeemer Invitational (3-1-1), OCAA Regional Champions
1st place (4-0).

Men's Indoor Soccer



Back row,
left to right:
Wayne
Campbell
(Trainer),
Mike
Baraslievski
(Head
Coach),
Dillon
Hayes,
Michael
Roncone,
Tyrone
Mulder,
Sergey
Glisic,
Chris

Spadafora, Martin Nyul, Korede Adeptan;

Front row: Josh Hunter, Evan Mendonca, Nik Bauer, Frankie Calvaruso, Matt Montaleone, Bastian Aguilera, Matteo Romeo.

Absent: Haiden Gelinas, Rick Clews (Asst. Coach), Ed Krusarovski (Asst. Coach).

Season Record: Sheridan Invitational (2-2), Redeemer Invitational (2-1-2), OCAA Regionals 3rd place (2-1-1).

Golf



Left to right: Marshal Quinn, Justin Roets, Brett Harrison, Derick Hare, Simon Desmarais, Kevin Corriveau (Head Coach).

Men's Team: OCAA Division II Gold.

Cricket



And a new “extramural” team, participating in off-campus leagues and the occasional tournaments organized by a half-dozen colleges and universities in the province with significant enrolment from India – cricket. Left to right are Kavin Patel, Kshitij Punj, Abdullah Shireen, Parveen Kumar, Muhammed Abdullah, Coach Kevin Corriveau, Siddharth Verma, Binay Kumar, Neeraj Kumar, Amandeep Singh, Simranjit Kang, Gagandeep Singh, Vijay Viswanath, John Ouseph. They won the Dajcor Champions Cup in the Southwestern Ontario Cricket League in 2018, and placed third in a Fleming College-staged tournament.

Athletic and academic elements to our esports

From a Mid-November, 2018 Saint Scene

As a preview of one of the “big attractions” at the college’s Open House this Saturday (November 17), St. Clair “got gamey” during a press conference on Wednesday, by highlighting its involvement in esports.

Officials discussed the school’s first-in-Canada founding of an esports varsity team (Saints Gaming) two years ago, and next year’s launch of an academic program in Esports Administration and Entrepreneurship.

The development of both involved some “out-of-the-box” thinking by the college’s administration, said President Patti France.: “At the outset, I think it is fair to say that very few members of our senior administrative team had any inkling of the phenomenal scope of e-sports ... on an international basis, including its professional element, and involving a huge following of fans turning out both in-person to tournaments and viewing competitions on web-based broadcasts.”

But the enthusiastic response to the varsity team’s formation – including its offering of scholarships to student-players – soon led to the college’s examination of the academic potential of esports.

In that realm, France noted, “When we started to explore some of the facts and figures of the multi-billion-dollar e-sports industry – and its huge and diverse employment market of technicians, game-developers, tournament-stagers and broadcasters, promoters, coaches and managers – we quickly concluded that we had to be on the cutting edge of this new and exciting professional field. That has led to our launch of the E-sports Administration and Entrepreneurship program in 2019, under the umbrella of our Zekelman School of Business and Information Technology.”

Student Representative Council (SRC) President Holly Nicholson noted that her organization has had a first-hand role in the development of esports at the college.



She said, “The student council didn’t just endorse the college’s involvement in e-sports, we actually partnered with the administration to make the dream become a reality. He’ll soon be a faculty member when the new Esports Administration and Entrepreneurship program gets underway next year; but, since the team’s launch, Shaun Byrne has been employed by the SRC as its Esports Director. We also set aside space in the Student Centre to develop and equip The Nest (the practice facility for Saints Gaming); and, in a similar fashion, a portion of the council-managed open computer lab will be converted to classroom space for the new academic program. The student government also oversees all of the transportation requirements for Saints Gaming when its members are headed to tournaments, and all of the organization’s financial transactions.”

Shaun Byrne has been the Head Coach of Saints Gaming since its inception, the SRC’s Director of Esports, and he will serve as the Coordinator of the new academic program.

He’s frequently contacted by other schools for advice about forming esports teams and leagues. “And one of the questions that I’m most frequently asked by those getting involved in esports is ‘Where do I find experienced and trained staff to help me?’,” Byrne noted. “The graduates of this new (academic) program will be the answer to that question.”

The fact that the varsity team is already well established will provide students in the academic program with on-site practical experience. They will be regularly involved with the team’s activities, including such tasks – and future employment avenues – as coaching, managing, league administration, tournament staging, and marketing and broadcasting.



Esports Teams



Left to right:

1. Smash: Daniel Banner, James McClellan, Joesph Bumbacco, Jonathan Eubank, Ryan Baker, Dylan Lamothe, Johnny Goertzen, Chris Cushman.
2. League of Legends: Dustin Garvey, Benjamin Joseph Velasquez, Quoc Lay, Mahdy Naer, Tommy Quy, Abdallah Syed Shah-Kazmi, Jake Duval.
3. Counter Strike Global Offensive: Trieu Lai, Camdem Elliott, Basel El Hamaida, Hadi Moubarak, Ethan Colombe, Connor Whitson, Brandon Sherlock.
4. Hearthstone: Ryan Brook, Michael DiCarlo, Erik Pelland, Luca Acchione.
5. Overwatch: Anthony Quaggiotto, Jeffrey Claro, Alex Mroczkowski, Lilan Feng, Nick Ewing, Yuri Custodio, Liam Chen.
6. Fortnite: Tyler Pouget, Dante Lenarduzzi, Tyler Klok, Jaspreet Bhatia.
7. Rocket League: Mike LePine, Mark Apigo, Jared Greenwood, Brandon Lachin, Ethan Sinclair.
8. Coaches and Staff: Ryan Baker, Daniel Banner, Maria Lay, Anthony Quaggiotto, Chelsea Ducharme, Mike LePine, Ethan Sinclair, Trieu Lai, Dustin Garvey, Shaun Byrne, Ryan Brook, David Rabinovitch.





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