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## NEW PROGRAMS SAVE ENERGY, CREATE JOBS

# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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In the lead up to our 40th Spring Convocation, I spent a lot of time considering our history and the incredible impact Durham College graduates have had on Durham Region, Ontario and Canada.

We truly did have a humble start back in September 1967; our legacy of post-secondary excellence beginning in 16 portable classrooms, with a staff of 14, and 205 students studying programs in applied arts, business and technology. Fast forward two years later and our first graduating class took the stage on May 24, 1969, in what was then known as East Whitby (we were a few years ahead of Durham Region coming into existence!). That class of 53 students graduated from General Business (in one of three options: Accounting, Data Processing

or Marketing), Secretarial (Legal or Medical) and Technician (Electronics or Mechanical Drafting).

Our first convocation program was dotted with names such as Dwyer, Lovell, and McLaughlin. It was very fitting that these long recognized community builders helped us celebrate the Class of 1969 since our first graduates helped establish the foundation for Durham College as we know it today. They were our pioneers, the men and women who went out with diplomas in hand and first demonstrated that Durham College graduates bring something special to their workplaces and communities.

We have now grown to more than 6,300 full-time students pursuing approximately 100 market-driven programs, thousands more in part-time or general interest studies, hundreds of apprentices and almost 47,000 alumni.

Our alumni have played a critical role in our growth, be it our pioneers from that

first graduating class, our class from last year and all those in between. Through professional and community successes that reflect back on the college, to advocacy for the benefits of a Durham College education, and gifts of time, expertise and funds, our alumni have been pivotal in our reputation as a strong, thriving college that is a home for learners at all stages of their lives. Thank you!

On the occasion of this milestone graduating class, I'd like to invite our alumni to come back to campus for a tour and to see how you've helped us grow over the years. You won't believe your eyes!

Sincerely,

Don Lovisa  
President, Durham College

# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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Has it really been 33 years?

It's funny how certain events return you to great times in your life that really don't seem that long ago. That's exactly what happened for me as Durham College

celebrates its 40th Spring Convocation. I couldn't help but think back to my own time on campus as a Legal Administration student and how different the college was in the early 1970s.

I remember Durham College was very small, almost like a large high school, with lockers and a student lounge in the Gordon Willey building and what seemed

to be a never-ending game of euchre. We didn't have a fitness facility or gym at that time and as such we had to rent out high schools for volleyball and basketball games. Pubs were held at various locations (until we were kicked out of almost all of them!); we had a winter carnival with bed races and carnival queens; and Last Blast at the Kinsmen Hall started at 3 p.m. and seemed to go forever.

My have we grown!

It's wonderful to think back and consider the impact Durham College has had on my life. I know all of you reading this edition of Reflections have your own wonderful memories as well. I invite you to share your stories and strengthen your connection to the college and our vast alumni community. Your Alumni

Association is dedicated to meeting your needs, so please drop us a line!

Cheers,

Lillian Jacoby  
Legal Administration, Class of 1976  
President, Durham College Alumni Association

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# SHAPING THE COLLEGE IN CHALLENGING TIMES

by Sarah Wight

WHEN DON LOVISA WAS READY FOR A more challenging position, he was determined to find a college that had the same values as he does, somewhere he could really fit in. This search led him to Durham College, where he began as vice-president, Academic in June 2007 and then in May 2008 he became the college's fifth president. He started in the president's role on an interim basis and then was named to a five-year term beginning in January 2009.

"When I came to Durham College as a vice-president, I saw it for all the strengths that it had," Lovisa. "It confirmed to me that it was the type of community I wanted to belong to."

Lovisa is proud of Durham's reputation for delivering solid programs and being seen as entrepreneurial and innovative. He was also drawn to the college by the relationships it has established with two universities – Trent and the University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT) – by sharing a campus.

"It's a very unique experience in the college system," says the president.

Lovisa's plan is to continue on the path the college is on, led by the Success Matters Strategic Plan. Student success is one of the most important aspects of that plan and, as president, Lovisa plans to ensure that the college evolves continuously to provide just that. One way he plans to do this is by positioning Durham as a school with the right program opportunities to match the changing economy.

"There are fewer jobs out there right now," notes Lovisa. "As a college we need to position ourselves so that we have the right mix of programs, the right opportunities for students, and that when students leave here they are successful."

While manufacturing sectors are changing, Lovisa notes that the health, energy,

and service fields are growing and expanding. He plans to ensure that Durham College has programs to offer in those areas that will prepare people for jobs years down the road.

Lovisa also plans to expand and build upon the college's reputation.

"When people start talking about Durham College and their experiences here, the vast majority – 99.9 per cent of people I've talked to – have a smile on their face and a gleam in their eye," says Lovisa.

As vice-president, Lovisa led the college through the Program Quality Assurance Process Audit (PQAPA), alongside a great team of people from the school. This evaluation confirmed that Durham College's processes, programs, and students are all meeting the quality standards as established by the province. The success of this audit was one of the key accomplishments that Lovisa believes led to him being chosen for the president's position.

For the school's Board of Governors, the decision to appoint Lovisa as president was unanimous. Members conducted a national search of candidates for the job but they loved his vision and enthusiasm for the institution. He believes very strongly in Durham College, its reputation and its future.

"I'll never forget the day I got the call of congratulations about being chosen as president," Lovisa remembers. "It was so much fun telling my wife and my kids. It was a great Christmas present!"

For more than two decades, Lovisa has enjoyed various opportunities and experiences within the educational system. He has had a long successful career, including his position as dean of the School of Business, Hospitality and Media Arts at Confederation College in Thunder Bay, Ontario. In fact, one of his proudest achieve-



PHOTO BY SARAH WIGHT

Newly-appointed President Don Lovisa plans to follow the Success Matters Strategic Plan and expand upon Durham's reputation as being an entrepreneurial and innovative institution, as he leads the college through a changing economy.

ments was a plan to build a \$5.2-million Centre for Applied Media Productions.

For the rest of his five-year term, Lovisa will continue to put student success first at Durham College and strive to make it the best that it can be.

"Over the next few months we will engage the college community in helping us look into the future and answer the question, 'What does student success look like in three-and-a-half and 10 years from today?' The student experience comes first at Durham College. We need to start developing our plans now to prepare the college and our students for the future."

# A YEAR OF ACHIEVEMENTS

by Alyscia Sutch

HER NAME, INISKIMAKI, GIVEN BY ELDER Tom Crane Bear of the Blackfoot Siksika Nation, means Sacred Buffalo Stone Woman.

Iniskimaki, better known to the Durham College community as Janice Tanton, graduated from the Graphic Design program in 1985 and went on to become an entrepreneur. Tanton has had her artwork displayed with more than 800 galleries and retailers and has licensed her work for collector plates and clothing for Northern Reflections. At first she found it difficult for her art to be pure creation and still appeal to the demands of the market.

"That raw sensibility and passion of the soul finds its way through a work to a viewer and moves him or her," says Tanton. "If you are creating for any other reason, you're in the wrong line of work."

In addition to being an artist, Tanton also works as program manager for

Aboriginal Leadership and Management Development at The Banff Centre. It's been a busy year for her. She designed Buffalo Lodge, a teepee, for the centre's 75th anniversary. Governor General Michaëlle Jean attended the traditional transfer ceremony. Tanton also received her Blackfoot name and was part of the Indigenous Deep Listening Project, performing and exhibiting her artwork with her son at the World Indigenous Peoples' Conference on Education in Melbourne, Australia. She also received an Alumna of Distinction award from Durham College.

When not busy at work or in the studio, she spends considerable time mentoring artists of all experience levels, just as acclaimed wildlife painter Glen Loates mentored her. Tanton also spends time with her children, ages four to 16, is involved with their sports, and helps with community organizations.

"I look forward to what exciting opportunities might come in the next few years to allow me to use my gifts for the benefit of mankind. I find that very rewarding."



PHOTO COURTESY OF JANICE TANTON

**Janice Tanton, a Durham College Alumna of Distinction award-winner has had a strong year of accomplishments.**

# GIVING THE BREATH OF LIFE

by Alyscia Sutch



PHOTO COURTESY OF ROBERT MALCOLMSON

**Robert Malcolmson, a Durham College Alumnus of Distinction award-winner, is recognized for a lifetime of volunteer and community involvement.**

SHINERAMA, 1969. IN DURHAM College's second year, students were already washing cars for a good cause – cystic fibrosis.

"It was at our Shinerama in '69... that I first learned about giving the breath of life," Alumnus of Distinction winner Robert Malcolmson told his convocation audience in June 2008. "Heck! It was a day away from classes," he admitted.

Within seven years, the 1970 Accounting grad had joined the Kinsmen Club and had become even more involved in fundraising. The event had ignited a lifetime of volunteer and community involvement.

For the last 10 years he has been an integral part of the community as chief executive officer and general manager

of the Greater Oshawa Chamber of Commerce. During this time he has increased membership by 60 per cent and produced Oshawa's first visitors' guide.

The guide wasn't his first foray into publishing.

Prior to his involvement with the chamber, Malcolmson spent 20 years with the former Thomson Corporation, first as an accountant and later as a publisher and general manager.

Throughout his career he's been heavily involved in the community and Durham College, creating bursaries, contract positions and field placements for students. His other volunteer involvement has included the United Way, Heart and Stroke Foundation, and of course, cystic fibrosis.

# AWARD-WINNING DREAM

by Sarah Caine



PHOTO BY SARAH CAINE

Professor Lynn Connaty received the Accessibility Award for the creation of the Community Integration through Co-operative Education (CICE) program.

IMAGINE HAVING A CHILD WHO HAS always felt different from the other people around them, or always wondered why he or she could not fit in with the other children that they want to play with.

You have so many hopes and dreams for your child and you have always wanted the best for her or him. You know it's harder for your child because he or she is suffering from an intellectual disability that affects the way he or she thinks and learns. One day you find out that a local college is offering a program that allows your child to fulfil his or her educational dreams, and allows her or him to have a brighter future. This was Lynn Connaty's dream for her child Rebecca, and she helped this dream come true.

All of Connaty's hard work in helping to create the Durham College Community Integration through Co-operative Education (CICE) program made her the recipient of the campus's 2008 Accessibility Award. The award is given by the Durham College/VOIT Accessibility Working Group to help ensure students with disabilities can attend school on campus.

"I was very surprised to receive the award and very honoured," says Connaty. "It meant a lot to me because I was nominated for the award by all the staff working in the CICE program. After a couple of years of hard work it made me really happy. It has been a great experience overall and a huge learning experience for me. It's all done for the students and they make it all worthwhile."

The CICE program, launched in September 2007, allows students with intellectual disabilities to enter a modified program of their own interest and eventually receive a college certificate. During the program, students also gain work experience through a field placement. The program currently has 40 students.

"The way this program started here was that there was a parents group that all had children with intellectual disabilities and wanted better opportunities for their children," says Connaty. "My personal motivation was my daughter, Rebecca, who has an intellectual disability. I was part of the parents group, and I worked at the college, so it only made sense for me to attach myself to it and help make it become what it is."

Connaty began her journey with the college working in Academic Upgrading, where she taught science and math classes and in the Pre-Health Studies program. She then moved to the School of Integrated Studies (now the School of Communication, Language & General Studies), where she taught chemistry and biology to General Arts and Science students. The CICE program is the most recent addition to her job.

She spent about a year working to launch the program and has been co-ordinating it ever since. With all the work she has done for the college over the years, she considers the creation of the CICE program the highlight of her teaching career.

# PROVING HERSELF ON AND OFF THE COURT

by Meagan Sweeney

WHEN SARAH LEMAIRE WENT BOATING one summer afternoon on the St. Lawrence River, she only had one thing on her mind – have fun. Little did she know that she was going to do something extremely brave. Lemaire saved a life.

The 21-year-old Law and Security Administration student and varsity basketball player, has never received any formal training or taken a CPR course. However, when she saw a man injured and start to drown in the river, she knew she had to do everything in her power to help him.

“I saw him while I was spotting my friend tubing from the boat,” recalls Lemaire. “He was on his Sea-Doo and was jumping over waves and generally having a good time. When I saw him hit a wave wrong, I knew something was not right. He flew into the air, hit his head on the handlebars, and fell into the water.”

When she didn’t see him resurface she called to her friend to turn the boat around in his direction. As the boat got closer she realized he was face down and unresponsive. Her adrenaline surged and she grabbed a life jacket and dove in.

“When I reached him, I turned him over. His face was blue. I started to yell at him and then realized he had a cut on his head,” Lemaire says. “I shouldered him and started to swim back to the boat. When I reached it, my friends helped me drag him into the boat. I checked his pulse, felt his heart beat and realized he



Sarah Lemaire is awarded the St. John Ambulance award for saving a life.

was breathing a bit. We called 911 immediately and headed straight for the shore.”

When they reached the shore, fire, police and EMS were waiting. She gave her report to the police and watched as the man was airlifted to the hospital. She learned that his lungs had been filled with water, but the paramedics were able to help him and he survived. She was told later that if she hadn’t reached him when she did, his

chances for survival would have been slim.

For her valiant efforts she was awarded the Commissioner’s Award for Life Saving as well as the OPP – St. John Ambulance Award. The ceremony was held in Ottawa on November 23, 2008. The OPP – St. John Ambulance Award is given out once a year to one individual who demonstrates great courage and saves a life, which is everything Lemaire demonstrated that summer day.

“Sarah is a hard worker,” says her varsity coach Tim Baulk. “She also is a quick thinker on the court and has a great sense of humour.”

The injured man was able to reconnect with Lemaire to thank her for saving his life. Sending 100 red long-stem roses to her house and showing up at the awards ceremony were the ways he expressed his thanks.

Although the Cornell native has been to school for Law and Security Administration, where you learning about dealing with difficult situations, Lemaire never thought she would have to lead an aquatic rescue. Her quick thinking, calm demeanour, and decision-making skills ensured that the Sea-Dooer lived to ride another day.

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Patricia O'Connor, right, joined by colleague Pat Jeffery, sports her Order of Canada medal after her investiture at Rideau Hall.



PHOTO COURTESY OF PATRICIA O'CONNOR

## FLYING GRAD RECEIVES MULTIPLE HONOURS

by Jane Farquharson

PATRICIA O'CONNOR BECAME Ontario's first female paramedic in 1978. Then she jumped at the chance to be part of Ontario's first air ambulance team. She made her way to the Northwest Territories and in 1991, founded her own medical evacuation company, Medflight, which provides air ambulance service in northern Canada.

Her hard work was recognized in late 2007 when she was appointed a member of the Order of Canada and then once again in 2008 when she received a prestigious Ontario Premier's Award. The Order of Canada recognizes a lifetime of outstanding achievement to both community and country.

"I couldn't believe it was happening," says O'Connor. "I thought it was a practical joke at first. Both the Order of Canada and the Premier's Award were a huge surprise. I never thought I would receive something like that and I am deeply honoured."

Her investiture into the Order of Canada was held December 12, 2008 at Rideau Hall, the Governor General's stunning official residence in Ottawa. In the presence of her husband Jim, daughter Amy, mother Audrey Rozell and colleague Pat Jeffery, O'Connor received her medal from Governor General Michaëlle Jean.

"It was a very emotional, anxious and wonderful moment," recalls O'Connor. "To have the Governor General thank you for the work you do is beyond words. She was very gracious. She put everyone at ease."

After the ceremony, the new members retired to a reception room known as the Tent Room where they mingled. It was motivating just being in a room with the other recipients, says O'Connor.

One month before the ceremony, she received word about the Premier's Award, which honours Ontario college graduates in six categories for outstanding career success, strong community involvement

and passion for their work. O'Connor was selected as the recipient in the health sciences category and an awards ceremony was held in Toronto on February 23, 2009.

Living and working as a flight nurse in such a remote location has its challenges, she admits. The weather teaches patience and proper preparation – people are often forced to wait out freezing temperatures and bad storms in the winter and hordes of mosquitoes in the summer. And she learned just how dangerous the weather can be when she was involved in a plane crash in the high Arctic early in her career.

Still doing what she loves, O'Connor has no plans to change careers or location but, she says, "Who knows? I could move back to Ontario. It is a great place to live. You never know what life has in store."



Durham College students lent their hands in April 2008 to Habitat for Humanity Northumberland, where they built a home for a single mother in Cobourg.

# SWINGING A HAMMER, DOING SOME GOOD

by Zacharie Pickering

BEING A STUDENT IS A FULL-TIME JOB. It's a job where taking work home is simply expected and staying late to finish an assignment is customary. Instead of one boss, you have six and the only raise that is likely is your hand to answer a question.

The demands of a post-secondary education are immense, yet a group of Durham College students found the time to lend a hand in building a home for a family accustomed to life's struggles.

Partnered with Northumberland Habitat for Humanity, students from Durham College's Oshawa and Whitby campuses set out on April 28, 2008 to do a youth build in Cobourg. Students worked together to build a home for a single mother with young children who were once living in a dilapidated house.

This is not the first time Durham College students have been involved in a Habitat for Humanity build. In 2005, carpentry students built the floor of an Uxbridge home, the first of its kind in the region.

"This was a great opportunity for everyone, not just Habitat for Humanity," says Jeffrey Hayes, director of Habitat for Humanity, Durham North.

A non-profit organization, Habitat for Humanity relies on volunteers and donations to continue its efforts in providing safe shelter for those without it. The group of Durham College students in Cobourg understood this need and decided to do what they could.

The Durham crew's responsibility was to dismantle the home.

**"This is a good way to make a positive impact on somebody's life."**

"We were just driving hammers through walls and pulling out drywall," says second-year Police Foundations student Kevin Patterson with a smile.

Patterson, like the other handful of students, heard about the build from faculty members and wanted to help make a difference in someone's life. The demolition of the old home was only one day of the total process. Later, more volunteers came in to finish the job so that students like Patterson could go back to their studies.

Buils are done all over the world through Habitat for Humanity and according to

Statistics Canada, the tough economic times have sparked an even larger demand for safe housing for families in need. A Durham chapter of Habitat for Humanity has just been launched to help those here in the community. This means there is a definite need for more volunteers.

Patterson recommends students find the time to help out.

"This is a good way to make a positive impact on somebody's life, especially if you have some expertise," he says. Of course, expertise is not needed, at least for demolition. If the walls at the old Cobourg house could talk they would painfully tell you that.

The schoolwork may have been heavy for these students, but a hammer sure wasn't. Getting out there even for one day to help a family in need may have been the break from the grind they needed. Getting out and helping a Habitat for Humanity in your area may be the stress reliever you need. Sledge hammers are provided.



PHOTO COURTESY OF SCOTT DENNIS

The Durham Lords men's baseball team poses on its home field in Fall 2008, after another victorious season.

# DURHAM LORDS STEP UP TO THE PLATE

by Rachele Waterman

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME – BUT ONLY IF THE Durham Lords are playing.

For the past four years, Durham College's men's baseball team has finished first in the Canadian Intercollegiate Baseball Association (CIBA) Ontario Championships. Rob McNab has a clear idea of how team members came to their success.

After playing for the team for three years, McNab has seen many teammates come and go, so this year, he was a little apprehensive of the Lords' playing capabilities.

"I didn't really think we would have so much success at first," said McNab. "Because in the two previous years we had a good team, but we lost a lot of guys this year."

Regardless of expectations, the team stepped up to the plate and defeated many colleges from across the country, placing fourth in the CIBA Nationals. Assistant Coach Colin Dempster says it's the recruitment process that allows the team to compete.

"The team has a very good reputation, and we've been competitive since Day 1," says Dempster, who coaches alongside his father, head coach, Sam Dempster. "People want to play for us, and we recruit good players."

The Lords are a tight-knit team, on and off the diamond. Players range from 18 to 26 years old, but it is clear this age gap has done nothing but help the team succeed.

"Each year we went to the nationals, and there are so many moments that stand out," says McNab. "We've had a lot of fun together, and when you're with everyone, the age difference isn't a big deal. It's just an amazing time all around."

The easy-going coaching style of Sam Dempster has also been a large factor in the Lords' success. Dempster was awarded the Julio Puente Envoy International Coach Award by Major League Baseball at the American Baseball Coaches Association Conference in January, due to his outstanding dedication to the game of baseball. He has been with the Lords baseball program since 1992, and always allows the players to have fun, while also showcasing their own abilities. Earning fourth place at the nationals for the past three years proves his coaching skills work.

"The coaches let us do our own thing," says McNab. "They let our talent show."

And with the talent the Lords possess, who would want it any other way?



The third annual Abilities Day took place on campus in January, with an appearance from internationally acclaimed author Ryan Knighton.

# SEEING THROUGH HIS EYES

## AUTHOR RYAN KNIGHTON TALKS ABOUT LIFE WITHOUT SIGHT

by Janel Haight

CAN YOU IMAGINE NOT KNOWING what your husband or wife looks like? Can you imagine not knowing what your son or daughter looks like? Can you imagine not seeing? This is the life of Ryan Knighton, the guest speaker at Durham College's Abilities Day 2009.

Abilities Day, presented by the Student Association and the Students for Equal Access Committee, began three years ago to raise awareness about people with disabilities both on campus and in the community. This year the event took place in January, with an appearance from Knighton, who is an internationally acclaimed author who is blind.

"Currently, we have a lot of students on campus who have disabilities and I think it's important for everyone to educate themselves as much as they can, and also realize that students with disabilities are more similar to other students than they are different," says Kathryn Bremner, the services co-ordinator for the Student Association.

"We all have disabilities. I wear glasses to see, so does that make me disabled? Does that make me different? It just means that I need that extra help. But inside I'm still the same person that you are who doesn't wear glasses. The message is that we are all the same, but we just come in different packages and maybe some people need a little bit of extra support."

Knighton, 36, was raised in Langley, British Columbia. To date, he has released three books, including the internationally acclaimed comic memoir, *Cockeyed*, a book about growing up and going blind. At 18, he was diagnosed with retinitis pigmentosa, a congenital disease that eventually led to total blindness over a period of 15 years. Currently, he teaches in the English department at Capilano University in Vancouver.

"The speed of public life is such that it is very hard for people to imagine the thousands of little issues that a disability raises on a daily basis, so Abilities Day helps

people to hit the pause button so that you can actually imagine those little idiosyncratic things that a disabled person has to deal with," says Knighton. "By hearing a few of the small things that you have to wrestle with, then people can appreciate what the bigger obstacles are like."

Next year, Knighton, who spends most of his time with his two-year-old daughter Tess, will be releasing *Little Light of Mine*, a memoir about living life as a blind father. In the future, he will also write *Nothing To See Here*, a book based upon his travels. He is also looking forward to making a movie based upon *Cockeyed*.

"I have yet to set my mind to something that I haven't done," says Knighton. "Everything that I have tried to do since learning I was going blind, I have pretty much done. I became a writer, I have a family, and I have a teaching job at the university. I'm happy with the whole package deal and I'm glad I never decided that I was going to become a brain surgeon."

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The Durham College Whitby campus will include new and revitalized space, and programs linked directly to the energy sector and skilled trades.

## Discounted event tickets now available on-line for Durham College alumni

The Durham College Alumni Association has partnered with Perkopolis (formerly Concierge Connection) to offer alumni exclusive access to discounted tickets for a variety of shows, events and attractions.

To access this service, simply visit [www.perkopolis.com](http://www.perkopolis.com) and sign up using DCAA as your member ID code.

For more information, please visit the benefits and services section of the alumni page on the college website [www.durhamcollege.ca/alumni](http://www.durhamcollege.ca/alumni).



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IF YOU LIVE ANYWHERE IN DURHAM Region you have probably seen the Building for our Future banner displayed at the Whitby campus as you drive along Highway 401. The banner – and what it represents – is part of our commitment to Durham Region, the province of Ontario and the country as a whole to build for our collective future through an expansion of our Whitby campus. The expansion will include both new and revitalized space, and programs linked directly to the energy sector and skilled trades

Ontario is predicted to face an estimated shortfall of more than 350,000 skilled workers by 2025 and Durham College is uniquely positioned to combat the anticipated job shortage. In addition, we have seen an increased global focus on becoming green and – through the expansion – are committed to training the future green leaders of tomorrow here in Durham Region.

Since January, Phase 1 of the expansion has been underway. It includes a 21,500-square-foot second storey that will offer:

- A new electrical lab that will provide students with hands-on experience in measuring electrical parameters, electrical circuits, off- and on-grid systems, electrical transmissions and more;
- An energy auditing and building systems lab to be used separately and in conjunction with the electrical lab;

- Two computer simulation labs for study of the technology and effects of solar, wind and water power and geothermal and biomass energy; and
- Three new classrooms to accommodate larger class sizes adjacent to related labs, reinforcing the connection between classroom and hands-on learning.

Phase 2 will include expansion of the shop area for skilled trades and the addition of further programs in both energy and the skilled trades.

When completed, the overall expansion will include energy retrofits, equipment upgrades and enhanced teaching facilities. Parts of the expansion will also be energy-neutral, meet Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards and offer space and access to faculty expertise and campus equipment to help new energy inventors and innovators bring their ideas from concept to prototype.



Students in the Durham College Animation-Digital Production program had a glimpse of fame when a music video produced by their class was recently showcased on MuchMusic. Geordie Lishman, a part-time professor at the college, made this opportunity possible.

# MUCH ADO ABOUT VIDEO

STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN DESIGNING NATIONALLY TELEVISED MUSIC VIDEO

by Amanda Bickle

STUDENTS IN THE DURHAM COLLEGE Animation-Digital Production program had a glimpse of fame when a class project was included in a music video showcased on MuchMusic. Geordie Lishman, a part-time professor at the college, made the opportunity possible.

In September 2008, Lishman developed a collaboration project with Video of the Year Juno Award winner, Christopher Mills. Most known for his work with the band, Blue Rodeo, Mills has an extensive background working with some key players in the industry, including the White Stripes, Sam Roberts and Mandy Moore. He also works with up-and-coming Canadian band, The Acorn.

Assigned as a project in Lishman's class, the students were asked to animate a 3-D carnival ride, which would then be shown as part of The Acorn's nationally televised music video. The video featured a digitally animated story throughout, with the students' work showcased in the middle of

the video during a carnival scene.

"It is just amazing to see all the art that comes out of the school," says Lishman.

"I was given the opportunity to take some of these school projects and turn them into something more. I ran with it."

The chance arose when Lishman approached Mills last year at an art exhibition. After discussing The Acorn video and what it would entail, Lishman thought it would be great to involve his students. Each student took part in developing a 3-D animated midway ride, comprised of two working kinetic parts. Using After-Effects and Final Cut Pro, two professional animation programs, the students were able to design the rides just as they had envisioned them.

"There is just so much you can do with this technology," says Brett Gosling, a second-year Animation-Digital Production student. "You can tell a story using so many unique methods and with so many different dimensions."

Gosling was a key player in the video's production and worked behind the scenes with Lishman on the editing process. His creativity was given a workout on this assignment.

While collaborating on the video, the class learned valuable skills in business, networking and design. Working on a nationally televised video has prompted them to reach high and set goals for themselves. Being recognized for contributions with Mills alone will look great on their resumés.

In the coming year, Lishman will be working on his second video with Mills. He plans to keep his eye out for more chances to involve his students.

"Ideally, I would like to get a course going where students can create a whole music video from front to back. It would be great if we could get industry mentors to come in and give students some real-life direction," says Lishman.

# SCORING SPOTS IN THE HALL OF FAME

by Leah Gabriel



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE DURHAM COLLEGE ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT

Mario Bruno and Ron Winterink pose with their awards received at the 13th annual Durham College Sports Hall of Fame induction ceremony.

THEY SHOT AND SCORED MORE THAN just a goal this time. Ron Winterink and Mario Bruno were inducted into the Durham College Hall of Fame for their record-breaking scoring. The event, which was held on November 26, 2008, included staff, coaches and current students.

Bruno holds fifth place among the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) all-time scoring leaders with 32 goals in three seasons of varsity soccer and for the most goals in a single season with 17. He was surprised when he got the call from Durham College director of Athletics, Ken Babcock, to announce his induction into the Hall of Fame. Bruno, who attended Durham College from 1984 to 1987, was the scoring leader on the soccer team in all three years.

"I am absolutely honoured with the recognition," says Bruno. "It's nice to know you accomplished something special at the school."

Winterink, who excelled in two varsity sports, was also excited and honoured about his induction. Winterink was named Durham's MVP and was athlete of the year in his last season, 1981-1982.

He was captain of the basketball team all three years he was at the college and an all-star in his last year. As for soccer, Winterink contributed to the team winning medals in all three of his years. In 1980, the club became the first Durham team to win gold at the OCAA championship.

These days, Bruno is still playing the sport he loves with the Durham Oldtimers

Soccer Club every Sunday morning. He also coaches and manages the Ajax Thunder girls under 12 team with the Ajax Soccer Club, where his daughter continues to play.

"I think it's important," Bruno explains. "I thoroughly enjoy soccer and want to give back to my community."

Winterink is also volunteering his time by refereeing high school basketball.

"I still play basketball once a week," he says. "I also coached the Whitby Wild Cats girls basketball team for about eight years and won two Ontario championships."

# MASTERING A PLAN FOR THE FUTURE

by Kiara Wilson

IT'S A MONDAY MORNING AT DURHAM College and cars jostle in the lots for parking spaces.

Inside the campus buildings, students sprawl on hallway floors because of a shortage of study space, and massive lineups at Tim Horton's crowd the already congested corridor.

All of these situations occur too often at Durham College and the University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT), and while hastily jumping into construction or expansion might seem like a logical quick fix, the schools have decided to take a more thorough and comprehensive route by setting into motion a Campus Master Plan process.

Work began about a year ago when a steering committee for Durham College and UOIT joined with consultants at Sasaki Associates to begin developing a streamlined plan for the future of the campus.

"Sasaki came in and they collected floor plans, class schedules and directories and then they ground it through their whole process," says Bruce Bunker, vice-chair for the Steering Committee and the campus's director of Space and Scheduling Logistics. "They also interviewed deans, the schools' presidents, faculty and stakeholders."

After their examination and research, Sasaki came up with a 64-page analysis detailing everything from issues shared by key stakeholders, to charts outlining classroom use, available greenspace, vehicle access and the distribution of shared learning and social space.

Bunker said they looked at big-picture issues such as proposals to construct new buildings, appropriate areas for parking lots and the distribution of offices, classrooms and retail companies to reside within new buildings.

"The campus is a game board with vacant properties and we have to take a look at everything and say 'Where are we going



PHOTO BY KIARA WILSON

The Campus Master Plan includes proposed ideas for future construction on the Oshawa campus.

to go? Where are we going to build?" he said.

For example, in the area around the Polonsky Commons, between the library and two of the university buildings, there are three proposed spots where new structures could be built.

Another example of macro planning would include the future of the college's Simcoe building. Currently the one-storey structure is the oldest at the school. Bunker said it's not providing a full potential of classroom and office space.

"When that structure was built, it was the only building here," he said. "But now the campus is growing like a weed, and that space could house a lot more for the school. We want to move towards a better distribution of what we have."

One idea for the Simcoe building includes replacing it with a new three-storey structure.

The same notion is shared for the Student Centre. The building was constructed when there were approximately 4,000 students on campus, and now as the student population approaches 11,000, the building needs to be expanded. Unfortunately, it cannot be renovated or built up to include more floors, and would need to be torn down and reconstructed.

In terms of the micro section of the study,

Sasaki took a look at the current spaces at the schools and analyzed how well the classrooms, social areas and hallways were being used. The company found a shortage of social spaces on campus, congested halls and stairways and overused classrooms and labs.

With that information, it's up to the steering committee and Board of Governors to examine any proposed ideas for solving these issues. As well, the committee is also taking public suggestions for campus development through the Campus Master Plan website.

While the Campus Master Plan has come at a cost of more than \$400,000 to be shared by both the college and university, Bunker feels that it's been a worthwhile and critical investment, providing insight into planning for the future of the campus.

"Not only does the Campus Master Plan paint a blueprint for future growth, but it measures space efficiencies that could lead to better use of current space and lessen demand for new space," says Bunker. "The plan accommodates growth for all of the schools' functions."

For more information about the Campus Master Plan or to read the complete analysis and provide input, visit [http://projects.sasaki.com/uoit\\_durham](http://projects.sasaki.com/uoit_durham).

# A LEGACY OF OPPORTUNITIES

by Sarah Evangelista



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The 2008 Legacy Gala raised \$250,000 for post-secondary students.

IT WAS AN EVENING OF EXOTIC TANGO DANCES, COCKTAILS, delicious Argentinian cuisine, excellent Malbec wines and a live and silent auction. This series of fabulous festivities and events was featured at the seventh annual Legacy Gala, held in September 2008 to raise funds for scholarships and bursaries for students at Durham College and the University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT).

Guests experienced a history class that narrated them back in time to the sights and sounds of an old-fashioned café in Argentina, Café Tortoni.

“The planning of the event starts every year in January,” says Pamela Dunn, event co-ordinator. “It’s been an ongoing tradition for seven years now. The money raised supports student bursaries and scholarships at Durham College and UOIT, which allows many students to continue their education.”

With rich culture, traditions and exquisite European style, Argentina’s capital city of Buenos Aires is home to the chic and elegant Café Tortoni. The nationally acclaimed café has continued to be one of the most popular destinations for tourists, local artists and international artists since opening more than 100 years ago.

The gala was attended by hundreds of guests from around the area, including politicians, business leaders, other community members, and students and staff from both schools. The Albis family, owners of Tosca Banquet Hall, hosted the event once again. More than \$1.65 million has been raised through the gala’s history, including \$250,000 in 2008.

There are many opportunities for companies, organizations and individuals in and around the area to get involved and help further this legacy for post-secondary students.

# VARSITY GIRLS HIT IT OUT OF THE PARK

by Brenda Jones

**“Winning isn’t everything, it’s the only thing. I don’t care whether it’s your school, your job or fastball. If you’re not successful and you’re not winning, what’s the point in doing it?” asks Jim Nemish, head coach of the Durham Lords women’s fastball team.**

THIS IS ONE MAN WHO IS SERIOUS about the game. Records show that his players take this motto to heart, especially when they’re on the diamond. Under Nemish’s leadership, the Lords have brought home 11 golds, six silvers, two bronzes and only once finished out of the medals with a fourth place in the provincial championships. After 20 years of coaching, Nemish shows no signs of slowing down.

The women’s fastball team started on campus in 1981 with a group of talented students whose sights were set on victory. In the first several years, the team earned three gold, one silver and three bronze medals in the provincial championships.

At the time, the team played under the leadership of coaches Dick Snowden and Jim Anderson. However, when the two decided to resign in 1989, they needed an experienced replacement – and fast.

Nemish started off playing All-Star representative ball in his youth and later joined a senior men’s league when age and injuries slowed his performance. However, he knew that this wasn’t the end of his baseball career.

His father was a coach for many years and leadership was one trait that he passed on to his son. Nemish Jr. began his career in 1972, coaching all levels of rep ball including midget, novice, bantam and eventually, senior.

When the position opened up at the college, former Athletic Director Dave Stewart asked Nemish to step up to the plate. Although he had a great deal of experience coaching various levels of rep baseball, becoming a part of the Ontario Colleges Athletics Association (OCAA) put him in a whole new ballpark.



PHOTO BY AL FOURNIER

From left: Jim Nemish, head coach of Durham College’s women’s fastball team, received an award from college President Don Lovisa for his 300th win.

“Coaching at the college is a full-time job,” says Nemish. “Baseball has become more than a fall season for us here. I spend a lot of my summers travelling and talking to other athletes. We’ve been highly successful in recruitment, and it shows in our records.”

Although Nemish requires top performance from his players, he points out that expectations for college fastball are much different in the United States. Here, the academic success of students is the bottom line, and is enforced by coaching staff, athletic directors, student placement officers and academic vice-presidents.

“We always want to have a winning team, but I also want the girls to be successful,” says Nemish. “Last year, we had five girls from the team make the dean’s list and that was outstanding. The joy I get from my job is witnessing the success of my girls as a result of their hard work and dedication.”

# ENROLMENT CLIMBS AS ECONOMY FALTERS

by Jennifer Kerstens

IT'S NO SECRET THAT ECONOMIC times are tough and many industries are struggling. Hundreds of nursing jobs have been cut across the province. The closing of U.S. Steel's Hamilton and Erie plants has left 1,500 people out of work. In February, more than 200 General Motors Oshawa plant workers received temporary layoff notices. This can be devastating for current workers as well as those just launching new careers. With jobs as scarce as they are, many people look to colleges for training — or retraining.

With approximately 100 programs to choose from, Durham College gives an opportunity for the newly unemployed to get the skills and training they need for a new career. As of March 12, the college had already received 14,039 applications over last year's number of 13,867, a 1.24 per cent increase. Along with increased interest from prospective students, programs that once saw low or steady enrolment might now see a greater intake.

"Our entire funding mechanism is almost entirely based on enrolment," explains Durham College registrar Paul Bishop. "If we're seeing more applications and if we have the resources, we can obviously increase enrolment and we want to continue to do that."

Thanks to the Ontario government's Second Career program, introduced in 2008, many workers who wish to return to school to train for a new career can receive money for tuition, textbooks and other school-related costs. The college enrolled 17 Second Career students last September and more than 65 into programs starting in January and February. Government programs like this are drawing more mature students back to schools.

"We're seeing a larger influx of mature students or those not directly from high school and that can be a really positive

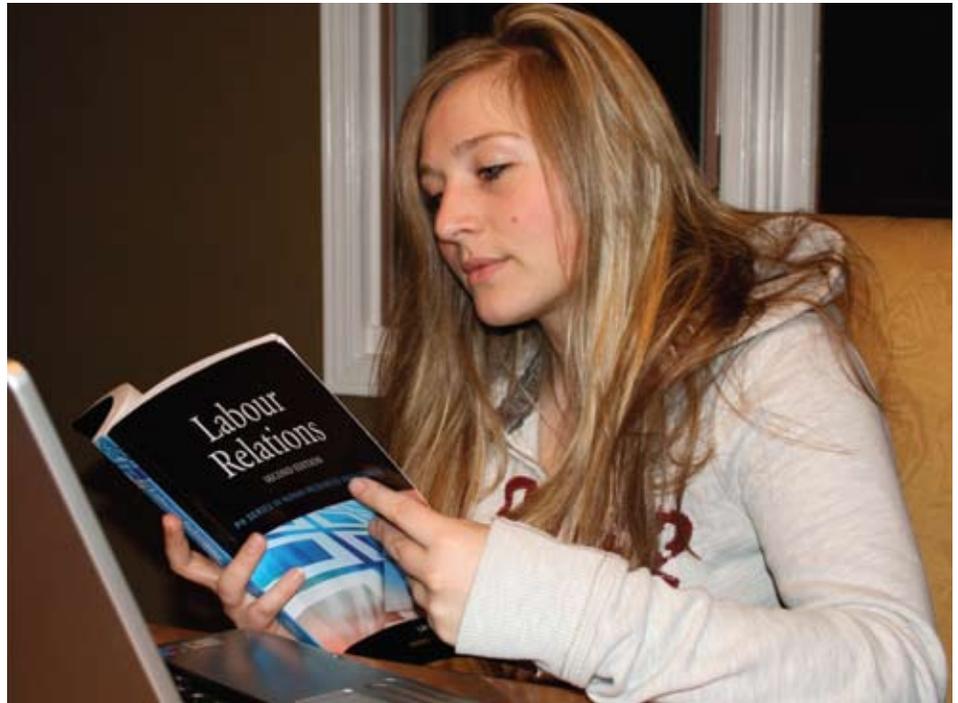


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After being unable to find employment with her university degree, Ashleigh Mauro has returned to college as a mature student to obtain a Human Resources graduate certificate.

thing for the classroom, because you're seeing a broader range of experience," says Bishop. "You've got kids coming out of high school, you've got people who have been out working and have life experience and they're bringing that back to the classroom, so I think that's a really good thing for the student learning experience and for the college in general."

Considering the current economic trends, workers looking for a new career may want to consider the energy industry. Because of demand in that field, Durham will be introducing two new programs this fall. The one-year Energy Audit Techniques certificate program and the two-year Renewable Energy Technician diploma program will both be offered

at the Whitby campus and have already sparked interest in prospective students. By mid-March, they had attracted 141 applications.

The college has also seen increased interest in online and distance education for people who are still employed but want to upgrade their skills and ultimately, their value to their company and industry. Online learning also benefits those in remote areas who can't easily attend classes on campus.

"Online learning is not for everybody," says Bishop. "It requires the discipline of being able to make yourself do it. I don't think it's the sole answer, it's just another part of the puzzle in terms of what we can offer."

# HIT ME WITH YOUR BEST SHOT

by Amanda George



PHOTO BY AMANDA GEORGE

Durham Lords Pitcher Danielle Smith won the title of top pitcher at the 2008 CAN-AM Classic.

PITCHING CAN MEAN MANY THINGS – pitching a campaign, a tent or a sale. Durham College student Danielle Smith has literally pitched her way to success.

Smith, a second-year Business Administration – Human Resources student and Durham Lord, was named top pitcher for the 2008 CAN-AM Classic Championship. CAN-AM is the Canadian American Association of Professional Baseball, based in Durham, North Carolina.

This championship allows the Durham College women's fastball team to play against teams in the United States. The Lords were crowned the 2008 CAN-AM Classic Champions by defeating the Monroe Tribunes, from Monroe Community College in Rochester, New York.

"It's the first time the school has won the tournament. It was kind of a big thing for me. We always play a school from Rochester and they're really good. So it's just really great to beat them," says Smith.

"Being named something is good too, but it was more like a team victory, which made it all great. (Monroe's) a good team and they play all year, so when it's our fall season, it's their off season, but they have been practising."

Smith started playing T-ball at the age of five after her father introduced her to

the sport. She continued to play softball throughout high school and college and during the summer, formerly playing ball for the Oshawa Stingers and for a team in Ajax. The Whitby Eagles has been her team for the past three summers and will continue to be until her next move. Over the years, she has gathered many awards and trophies in recognition of her skill and commitment to the sport.

The single biggest influence in her life, her inspiration and hero, is her father. He also played baseball and when he introduced his daughter to the game, softball immediately became her passion. Smith's father is an enthusiastic team booster, attending all of their games and travelling with them to all of their tournaments.

"My dad plays a lot of ball. I guess he just got me into it and I love it. I like having a little bit of control. I always have the ball. I always know I'm doing something. I like that little bit of pressure, like it's kind of up to you and then the rest is up to your team," Smith explains. "I don't know, I like the competition, I like the pressure. I play to win, I love to win. If the team wins, I win."

Graduating in 2010, this star hopes to go back to school for massage therapy. In the future she hopes to open her own business. Smith says she will continue to play softball until she is old. It is her stress-reliever and filler in her life.

# NEW PROGRAMS SAVE ENERGY, CREATE JOBS

by Jake Brown

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES ARE IN THE news almost daily. While it's hard to pay attention to the environmental problems with the economy in turmoil, Durham College is managing to address both with the start of two new energy programs this September.

The one-year Energy Audit Techniques program and the two-year Renewable Energy Technician program will meet the need for trained employees in the growing field of sustainable, alternative and renewable energy solutions, as well as respond to the growing demand for efficient energy use.

The Energy Audit Techniques program will concentrate on energy management and utilization. Students will learn how to assess the energy performance of homes and small commercial buildings. The course teaches students a variety of ways to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of energy-related systems, thus reducing greenhouse gas emissions that are damaging the environment.

The Renewable Energy Technician program will focus on teaching students how to install, repair and maintain renewable energy systems such as wind and solar power. Graduates will be qualified to install and maintain solar energy panels, wind turbines and geothermal heat pump systems. Two co-op semesters are included in the course for the spring of first and second year. After first year, students may choose to graduate with an Ontario college certificate credential from the Energy Audit Techniques certificate program.

"The main goal of these courses is to develop the human resources that

we are going to need in regards to our energy utilization here in Ontario," said Environmental Technology Professor Ross Stevenson. "In the next number of years we are going to go through some fundamental changes and we need to have the people in place to make that transition more efficient and effective."

Stevenson, who helped develop the new programs, is confident about their success. There will be a profusion of job possibilities in the renewable energy field and they are only going to expand as time goes by, he said.

With six new wind farm projects announced by the Ontario Government in January, renewable energy sources are on the rise and trained professionals will be needed to operate and manage these projects. This will aid in Ontario's future electricity needs while creating jobs at a time when layoffs make the daily news.

The Ontario Government has also proposed a new statute, the Green Energy Act, which will require homeowners to pay for an energy audit before they sell their houses. Energy Audit Techniques graduates will be trained for this responsibility.

With the increasing demand for energy efficiency, these courses are possibly a saving grace for unemployed workers in Ontario and there are more on the way.

"There are two more energy programs on the planning board, and I expect that if the Energy Audit Techniques and Renewable Energy Technician programs are as successful as we hope they will be, we will see more to come in later years," says Stevenson. "I believe these are the jobs of the future."



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Biotechnology Technologist students Ian Frazao, Kristal Brown and Madison Sieloff hiked in Honduras as part of their field placement survival training.

# LIFE'S A JUNGLE FOR BIOTECH STUDENTS

by Jane Farquharson

THREE DURHAM COLLEGE BIOTECHNOLOGY TECHNOLOGIST students spent their field placement monkeying around in Honduras. Observing howler monkeys in a park located in a Honduras jungle, it was an educational trip of a lifetime for Kristal Brown, Ian Frazao and Madison Sieloff.

As part of their program, each student must complete a field placement to be eligible for graduation. Professor Bruce Trieselmann told the class about Operation Wallacea and Sieloff and the others decided to investigate. Having to finance the trip personally, the students did some fundraising to help cover their expenses.

"This opportunity allowed them to participate in real-world scientific research and utilize the skills they learned in a relevant and exotic setting," says Trieselmann.

Roughing it in the lush, green, sometimes deafening jungle, the students proved that they are willing to take a risk, relocate, and get their hands dirty for their research. Their jungle training demonstrated how intense and physical it can get living in such a remote location. Sieloff says the training on a steep mountain was the hardest part.

"Climbing a steep incline for all of our walks was exhausting," she says.

One of the skills they had to practise in the jungle was food preparation.

"We were provided with spaghetti, tomato paste, chicken noodle soup, canned vegetables, granola bars and oatmeal," says Sieloff. "It was our responsibility to cook our meals as a group by lighting fires and planning the meals."

According to the organization, Operation Wallacea administers biological and social science expedition projects, operating in remote locations across the world. The trips are designed with specific wildlife aims. The Durham College students chose a two-week observation of howler monkeys, as assistants to scientists.

"The trip opened my eyes. Having never left Canada before it was amazing to see the culture first-hand," says Sieloff. "I feel a sense of accomplishment because I know in some way, I contributed to the conservation efforts taking place within the park."

The trip took place in the summer of 2008. One of the most startling observations she made was on more of an emotional level.

"It was amazing to see the howler monkeys in their natural environment," she says. "To see them interact with each other by cuddling, feeding, even bathing was so human. I was moved."

# ALUMNI UPDATE

## 1973

ARNOLD MATTHEWS (Mechanical Technology) is living in Kingston, Ontario with his wife Gail. Arnold is the president of Matthews Machine Products.

JOAN OICKLE (nee Dewell) (Engineering Secretarial) is living in Barrie, Ontario with her husband Glen and two children Melinda, 30, and Jessica, 28. Joan is self-employed as a virtual assistant.

## 1989

BARBARA GIBBS (nee Skerlj) (Business Administration – Data Processing) is living in Oshawa, Ontario with her children James, 24, Katelyn, 18, and Veronica, 11. Barbara is an IT consultant for Skerlj Consulting Inc.

## 1992

JUDY LAFLEUR (nee Martin) (Nursing) is living in Zachary, Louisiana. Judy is a registered nurse at Lane Regional Medical Center in Zachary, Louisiana.

## 1993

CRAIG ADAMS (Civil Engineering Technology) is living in Peterborough, Ontario with his wife Jennifer and three children, Matthew, 15, Hayley, nine, and Julia, seven. Craig is presently the capital planning analyst for the City of Peterborough's Housing Division.

MARCI PETERS (Business Administration – Marketing) is living in Toronto, Ontario with her husband Mark and three cats, Apollo, Zeus and Cleo. Marci is manager of Customer Care and Support for Roadpost Inc.

WILL DEBURGER (Electronics Technician) is living in Whitefish, Ontario with his wife Charlene and their two children Brennan, nine, and Evan, six. William is an Instrumentation Technician at Vale Inco Ltd.

## 1999

CHERYL BERRY (nee Lenner) (Legal Administration) is living in Severn Bridge, Ontario with her three children, Jessica, 15, Zachary, six and Neleh, four.

## 2001

ALISON LAM (Graphic Design) resides in Oxford, New Zealand. Alison is a missionary with Youth With A Mission (YWAM) and is the director of a Christian Discipleship Training School.

DWAYNE SCHRADER (Sports Administration) is living in Toronto, Ontario. Dwayne is currently working at the Hockey Hall of Fame as the supervisor of Special Events.

## 2002

BRENDA ARMSTRONG (Electronic Business) is living in Stoney Creek, Ontario with her husband Matt. Brenda is employed by The Niagara Parks Commission, as an e-commerce manager.

## 2003

JUDY ROCHE (nee Urbanski) (Human Services Counsellor and Entertainment Administration) is living in Thunder Bay, Ontario with her husband Jay and two children, Cadell, four, and Hayden, two. Judy is case manager for the Lakehead Employment Services.

## CONGRATULATIONS

On April 29, 2009 the following Durham College alumni were inducted into the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association's Hall of Fame:

- Stephanie Axford;
- Tammy Baker;
- Lesley Balson;
- O'Neil Brown;
- Jaun Carlos Camus;
- Laurie Castator;
- Darlene Cook;
- Jill Drinkwater;
- Stacey Fertile;
- Ted Harrison;
- Julie Hornsby; and
- Tracey Weightman.

Longtime Durham Lords volleyball Coach Stan Marchut was also inducted.

In addition, on May 27, 2009, Ryan Hughes was inducted into the Oshawa Sports Hall of Fame.

## Durham College Alumni Association annual general meeting

Durham College President Don Lovisa will be the guest speaker when the Alumni Association holds its annual general meeting in September. The evening will also include elections for board directors.

Date: Wednesday, September 16

Time: 7 p.m.

Location: Gordon Willey building, Community Room, A144

All alumni are welcome to attend.

Please RSVP to [alumni@durhamcollege.ca](mailto:alumni@durhamcollege.ca).

To express interest in becoming a director, please contact Lori Connor, alumni officer.

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