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*Cover Photo: Loyalist Lancer, Jesse Gunter, celebrates the team's third consecutive Provincial championship win.*



*Lina Fuchs (L) was presented with the Loyalist College Alumni Association Award by the Association's President, Rosemary Rooke*

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# Presidents' Messages

It is always my pleasure to bring you news from Loyalist – your College. Whether through this alumni publication, the e-letter, or through visits to the College website or to campus, we encourage you to keep in touch.



Great things are always happening at Loyalist, from high-quality competitive sporting events to thought-provoking guest speakers in Alumni Hall, and continuing education classes – all of these offer you a chance to continue to network with your friends and former classmates and professors. I'm sure there were a number of alumni in the crowd on November 12, cheering on the Loyalist Lancers Men's Rugby Team as they captured a third consecutive OCAA Division II Provincial title! The three-peat was a thrill for all, and it was an honour for me to present our Lancers with their gold medals.

You can read more about their win and about many other exciting events in this edition of *Lasting Connections* – including the grand opening of our state-of-the-art Sustainable Skills, Technology and Life Sciences Centre – and the Annual Foundation Golf Tournament (with the proceeds going to student financial support). Loyalist Alumni were a strong presence on both these important occasions.

This fall, students returned to campus to find a bright new cafeteria in the Kente Building. As we continue to focus on and enhance our College's sustainability, students, staff and visitors are also enjoying six new hydration stations installed over the summer – bringing the total on-campus to 15! Imagine a pile of 284,356 plastic water bottles which have been saved through this important project and you will share in our pride in the leadership of our Loyalist Student Government in planning and funding this important initiative. Their enthusiasm and commitment are inspiring to us all!

Forty-seven new recycling stations across campus are also helping us to divert more materials from landfill.

As you know, there is never a dull moment on campus. To keep in touch with current and upcoming events, I invite and encourage you to check out [loyalistcollege.com](http://loyalistcollege.com), write on our Facebook wall, and "tweet" us your thoughts.

Please keep in touch and let us know what's new in your life and career. Warm best wishes to every member of the Loyalist Alumni Family for 2012. I hope to see you on campus!

*Maureen Piercy*

Maureen Piercy  
President

Print Journalism, 1979

I would like to take this time to thank you, the Loyalist College Alumni, for your continued support of our alma mater. With your help and participation, the Alumni Association has been able to contribute to a number of College initiatives, including the Sustainable Skills, Technology and Life Sciences Centre and presenting yearly awards for student assistance.

The past year was a busy one for the Alumni Association and this academic year is already proving to be no different! At the time of this writing, we had already held our fifth Annual Spaghetti Dinner for Loyalist students. This year, we were extremely pleased to have the Loyalist College Student Government join us as co-hosts of the event. The Premier's and Distinction awards events were held in November and currently, we are working on the start-up of a new Loyalist College Alumni Association Chapter for the Quinte area (keep checking the website – the kick-off will be announced shortly). We are also encouraging alumni to start their own chapters in their local areas.

On another note, I would like to introduce Michelle Randolph as our new Alumni Services Coordinator. Michelle replaces Anastasia Burns, who has returned to school. I know you will join me in welcoming Michelle to her new role and also in wishing Anastasia the best of luck in her educational endeavours.

Whether you are a recent graduate or someone who's been away from Loyalist for a number of years, I hope each of you will continue to be a part of this great institution. There are a number of ways for you to do that, including volunteering in the classroom or on College committees, volunteering as a member of the Alumni Association executive and/or contributing to the Alumni endowment fund.

I encourage you to stay in touch through Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn, by visiting [loyalistcollege.com/alumni](http://loyalistcollege.com/alumni), or by contacting me at [alumni@loyalisc.on.ca](mailto:alumni@loyalisc.on.ca). I'd be pleased to have you share your comments and suggestions with me as we work together through another busy and exciting year at Loyalist College.

Hope to hear from you soon!

Sincerely,

*Rosemary Rooke*

Rosemary Rooke

"None of us are as smart as all of us"  
(KEN BLANCHARD)

ROSEMARY

## INTRODUCING THE LOYALIST COLLEGE

# 2011 Premier's Award Nominees

The Premier's Awards for Ontario College Graduates honour the outstanding achievement of graduates in six distinct categories. This year, as always, we are proud to acknowledge the Loyalist College Premier's Award nominees for 2011.

*Congratulations to all our nominees!*

### BUSINESS

**Karen Sharp-Perry, Business Administration 1983**



Karen is an end-to-end supply chain expert (supplier-manufacturer-shipper-customer) with a keen sense for strategy, continuous improvement and a passion to develop strong teams which deliver outstanding results. Her current role as Global Service Manager for Corporate Business Intelligence with Procter & Gamble, allows Karen to use her business knowledge gained while at

Loyalist College, to develop and deploy data gathering and analysis technologies and processes to deliver against a top priority strategy for the company. Karen is also active in community service for schools, church, women's and sports events.

### COMMUNITY SERVICES

**Chuck Mercier, Law and Security Administration 1974**



After graduating from College, Chuck Mercier accepted a job with Durham Regional Police in Oshawa where he held progressively senior positions over a 32-year career. He has been honoured with several commendations and awards for excellence in policing, community work and bravery. In December 2009, he retired from the Durham Regional Police Service as Deputy Chief of

Policing Operations. A year later, Mr. Mercier returned to civic duty – at the request of Scugog's electorate – as Mayor. Chuck has been a tireless worker for a number of local causes including Scouts Canada for 18 years.

### CREATIVE ARTS & DESIGN

**Martin Seemungal, Television Broadcasting 1981**



Recently appointed as the Middle East Bureau Chief for CTV, Martin Seemungal's career as a foreign news correspondent for CTV, CBC, ABC, CBS and PBS has seen him travel the world covering international events. Throughout his career, Martin has been recognized for his outstanding work, and he is the recipient of many industry awards and nominations

including two Emmy Awards, a Peabody Award, an Overseas Press Club for America Award, the Radio and Television News Directors (Canada) Award for Best Documentary, and a Gemini Award nomination.

### TECHNOLOGY

**Karen Mayfield, Architectural Drafting Technician 1985**



Architectural graduate Karen Mayfield is currently the President of eSolutions-Group, a new-age technology company based in Waterloo. The company is an important and successful division of a traditional 0.5 billion dollar Canadian environmental company. The first female partner of Conestoga-Rovers, Karen spearheads many initiatives, including extensive research and development

into new ideas for using the web to support community-focused objectives such as environmental stewardship. Karen, who has paved the way for women by bringing energy and innovation to establish a collaborative working environment, regularly assists and motivates others as a professional speaker at events.

## HEALTH SCIENCES

Trudy Bellam, Nursing 1985



Currently working at the Montreal Children's Hospital as a Staff Nurse, Trudy has been working in pediatrics for most of her career. Her Loyalist experience initially inspired her to work with children and her passion for this began at Toronto's Sick Kids Hospital. It then carried her to various locations in the United States where she settled for ten years in Denver, Colorado. In addition to her regular nursing duties, Trudy was one of the first to respond to the earthquake in Haiti by volunteering as both nurse and translator for "Project Smile," aiding children with facial deformities to access medical care and safe reconstructive surgery.

## RECENT GRADUATE

Kaela Lalonde, Bio-Food Technology 2007



Applying the research and laboratory skills developed during her time at Loyalist, Kaela became a member of the Bisphenol A (BPA) research team with Health Canada and contributed to work that ultimately showed that BPA can leach into foods and beverages. A study published in 2009, co-authored by Kaela, in the peer-reviewed journal *Food Additives and Contaminants*, led

to Canada becoming the first country in the world to ban BPA from baby bottles. Now a full-time employee with Health Canada, Kaela continues her research work as a Laboratory Technologist and has co-authored other papers on food and emerging environmental contaminants.



Loyalist College Premier's Award nominees with President Piercy at the November awards gala in Toronto.  
L to R: Karen Mayfield, Trudy Bellam, Karen Sharp-Perry, Kaela Lalonde, Maureen Piercy



# The Honourable William Grenville Davis



*Two Loyalist grads shake hands! President Maureen Piercy and other College Presidents congratulated the Hon. William G. Davis following a special tribute and presentation in his honour. Mr. Davis is an Honorary Loyalist graduate, as he addressed Convocation in 2008 and was presented with an Honorary Diploma.*

The outstanding contributions of graduates of Ontario's Community Colleges were celebrated at the Premier's Award event. The event was a part of the Colleges Ontario Annual Higher Education Summit which was held in Toronto on November 28, 2011.

"We are very proud of our nominees for the 2011 Awards program," said President Maureen Piercy. "They represent the excellence of a Loyalist graduate, and the outstanding work they do in professions throughout the province, country, and internationally. They are inspirations to all of us."

This year's Awards evening included a special tribute and presentation to the Hon. William G. Davis, in celebration of his achievement in establishing Ontario's college system during his time as Minister of Education.



*Alumni Association President Rosemary Rooke with husband Peter Rooke.*

# Alumni Distinction Awards and Employer Recognition Awards

At this year's Alumni Association Annual General Meeting, College President Maureen Piercy and Alumni Association President Rosemary Rooke presented an Alumni Distinction Award to Loyalist graduate Debbie Baxter (Data Processing, 1986). Ms. Baxter is currently the Chief Sustainability Officer for Loyalty One where she spearheads a range of initiatives to "green" all business operations. She is also a volunteer advisor on sustainability issues.

The Loyalist College Alumni Distinction Awards were created to honour the contributions Loyalist graduates make to their respective communities as well as the success they achieve in their chosen fields.

Alumni Distinction Awards for 2011 were also awarded to Charles Mercier (Law and Security Management, 1974) and Karen Sharp-Perry (Business Administration, 1983), both of whom were nominated for Premier's Awards this year. You can read more about these two recipients on Page 2 of this issue of *Lasting Connections*.

Employer Recognition Awards were introduced to thank the organizations and companies that hire Loyalist graduates and support students. The award also recognizes the significant contributions made to the College and the community. **Defence Construction Canada** and **Hastings Centennial Manor** are the first recipients of this newly established award.

Defence Construction Canada (DCC), a Crown Corporation created in 1951, is accountable to the Federal Government through the Minister of Public Works and Government Services. Beyond construction, DCC now provides project, environmental and operational support services to their only client, the Department of National Defence. The company employs over 20 Loyalist College graduates and offers internships and placement opportunities. The grads and students gain a full range of on-the-job experience working alongside seasoned professionals through all project stages.

DCC also provides Loyalist graduates with the opportunity to serve our community and our country by supporting Canada's troops at sites located on National Defence bases and wings across the country and around the world.

The only long-term care facility serving Bancroft and its surrounding communities, Hastings Centennial Manor (HCM) has partnered with Loyalist's Bancroft campus for over 15 years, providing placement opportunities in various departments. Over the past six years, the College has placed over 92 Personal Service Worker students with HCM and this year that number will increase to over 100.

HCM provides a learning environment for students in the Practical Nursing, Personal Support Worker, Social Service Worker and Developmental Services Worker programs, with many students being hired upon completion of their placements.

For more details about these awards and to find out how you can help us recognize the success of our graduates, visit [loyalistcollege.com/alumni](http://loyalistcollege.com/alumni). We are happy to answer any questions you may have about the nomination process or about how to properly fill out the nomination package. Simply contact our office at 1-800-99-ALUMNI or email us at [alumni@loyalisc.on.ca](mailto:alumni@loyalisc.on.ca).



President Piercy with Alumni Distinction Award recipient Debbie Baxter and Alumni Association President Rosemary Rooke.



Loyalist grad Vern Haggerty (holding award) and a team from Defence Construction Canada (all Loyalist grads!) received an Employer Recognition Award from Rosemary Rooke and Maureen Piercy.



Angela Malcolm accepted an Employer Recognition Award on behalf of Hastings Centennial Manor of Bancroft, Ontario.



The 2012 Loyalist College Alumni Association Executive team:  
Top row LtoR: Brian Miller, Dan Truman, Bill MacKay, newly elected member Doug Bellwood, Peter Rooke. Front row LtoR: Dave Bennett, Association President Rosemary Rooke, newly elected member Richard Beare. Missing from photo: Linda Serres

# CAMPUS NEWS

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## Record Support for United Way of Quinte!

A cheque for \$29,805 was presented to the United Way of Quinte from the Loyalist College community on November 24. Special events held on campus, as well as donations from individuals and groups, contributed to the success of this year's campaign at Loyalist, which established a new record of support.



College staff, Post-Grad PR students, donors, and volunteers posed with representatives of the United Way of Quinte at the November 24, 2011 cheque presentation. A truckload sale organized by the PR students raised \$18,966 in support of the United Way.



President Maureen Piercy presented United Way of Quinte Executive Director Judi Gilbert and Campaign Chair Dave Allen with a cheque in the amount of \$29,805.



Volunteers helped flip pancakes and serve up bacon, juice and coffee at this year's United Way Pancake Breakfast. The event raised over \$1,000 for the United Way of Quinte.



Police Foundations program students proudly display their United Way Certificates of Appreciation. The Annual Police Foundations run generated \$1,744 toward the 2011 United Way Campaign. The Run is a tradition at the College, started several years ago by Professor Larry Cook. Professor Cook (back row left) and colleagues (back row right to left) Michael Ferreira, Cecelia Reilly and Pat Dockrill provided leadership with their classes this year.

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## Dinner and a Show

Good fun, good food and good friends – that's how a group of close to 200 students spent the evening of October 6 at Loyalist College. A spaghetti dinner, followed by an evening's entertainment featuring comedian Aaron Birg, was co-sponsored by the College's Alumni Association and the Student Government.



## Loyalist hosts the Belleville area Relay for Life

Loyalist was proud to host the Belleville area Relay for Life in June. Loyalist President Maureen Piercy brought greetings on behalf of the College to the 76 teams registered for the event. Nearly \$253,000 was raised.



## Show and Shine

Vehicles of all shapes, sizes and colours were on display at Loyalist on Saturday, September 17 when the College held another successful "Show and Shine."

[View more photos online at:](#)

[loyalistcollege.com/news/another-successful-show-and-shine](http://loyalistcollege.com/news/another-successful-show-and-shine)



## Switching Gears for the Environment

A new bike rack, presented by the Student Government at the official opening of the Skills Centre, came in handy during the week of October 3 to 7 when staff and students were encouraged to use alternate forms of transportation during the College's "Get to Work – Switch Gears" event. Members of the College community opted to walk, cycle, carpool, or use the city bus in support of the initiative to reduce single-use vehicle travel.



## All Candidates Debate (E-Journalism at Loyalist)

Prior to the provincial election in October, a public debate for all Provincial candidates for Prince Edward-Hastings was held in Alumni Hall. Organized by the Media Studies Journalism faculty and students at the College, the agenda was guided by community input. Individuals were encouraged to attend the event and/or send questions or comments in advance to QNetNews.ca. The debate was also broadcast live on 91X FM (91.3 FM), the College's community radio station and was live streamed at [www.91x.fm](http://www.91x.fm).

## Open for Business

FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS, Loyalist has been committed to providing high quality training and education to the people of the Quinte region and beyond. That commitment continues with the most recent campus development in the Sustainable Skills, Technology and Life Sciences Centre, which opened officially on June 20, 2011.



President Maureen Piercy, Daryl Kramp, MP for Prince Edward-Hastings, Stuart Wright, Chair of the Loyalist College Board of Governors and Leona Dombrowsky, former MPP for Prince Edward-Hastings and Ontario Minister of Education, officially opened the Sustainable Skills, Technology and Life Sciences Centre on June 20, 2011.



The Sustainable Skills, Technology and Life Sciences Centre (SSTLSC) is more than just a beautiful new state-of-the-art facility – the SSTLSC proudly proclaims the College's commitment to the trades, technology and science. It shines a spotlight on the promising new world of bioscience, embraces environmentally-friendly technologies, prepares our students for tomorrow's jobs, and gives them the ability to adapt and learn throughout their careers.

Through the expansion and enhancement of existing programs, and the addition of new programs, the Skills Centre strengthens Loyalist's ability to provide the highly-skilled workforce that is essential to the economic growth and development of our region.

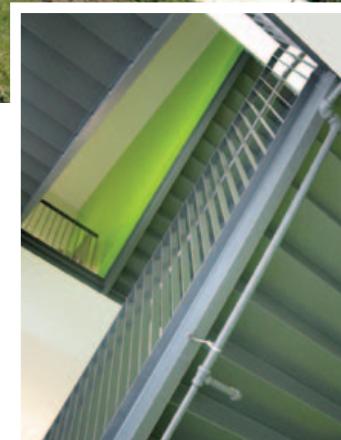
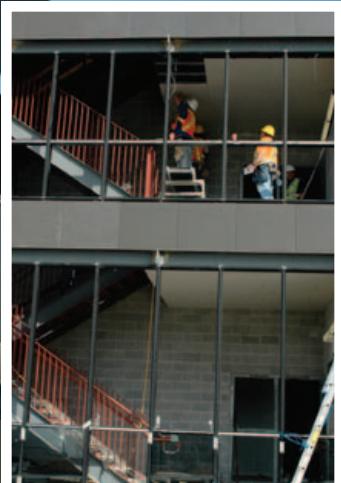
Ensuring students learn in environments that accurately reflect workplaces, and equipping the SSTLSC with the most advanced equipment available is critical to our ability to attract top students and build industry partnerships.

"This is where traditional skilled trades and technologies converge with the life sciences, creating amazing new opportunities for cross-training and applied research," said President Maureen Piercy. "It's on the leading edge, a source of renewed vitality and energy for the College, and for our region."



*The space in front of the Living Wall in the stunning new Student Link Lounge is a favourite spot for students to study or take a break and relax with friends and classmates.*

# The Sustainable Skills, Technology and Life Sciences Centre



We are inviting our friends to share in our vision for an exciting future for our students and our region. With your support, the Sustainable Skills, Technology and Life Sciences Centre will be equipped with the equipment and technologies needed for students to graduate with innovative skills and knowledge that will ensure economic growth and prosperity far into the future.

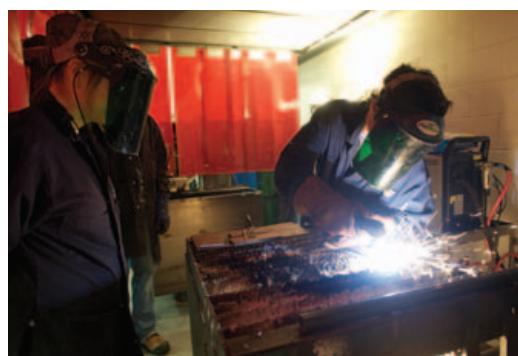
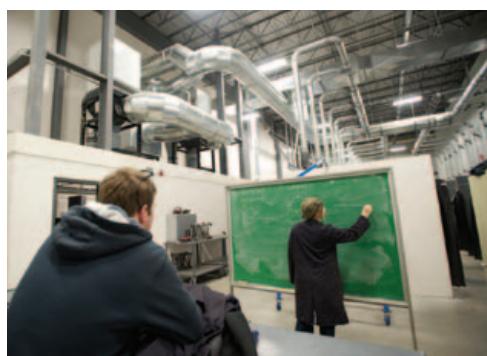
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The Sustainable Skills, Technology and Life Sciences Centre





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# So... Where is Charlotte now?

STORY BY: KATE ROGERS, PROFESSOR, LOYALIST COLLEGE, INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT WORKER PROGRAM



*Charlotte Kudadirwa interacts with street children in Chiapas, Southern Mexico.*

ONE OF THE FIRST STUDENTS TO ENROLL in the Loyalist College Post-Graduate International Support Worker (ISW) program, Charlotte Kudadirwa looked forward to realizing her aspirations of a career in international development.

Some of you may already be familiar with Charlotte, who, while attending last year's program, was involved in many activities and groups. Quinte locals may remember Charlotte's speech at the International Day of Women celebration when she spoke about what it takes to be an accomplished woman. Or perhaps her radio documentary about what it's like to be an immigrant in Canada was your first introduction to Charlotte. There's also a chance that you saw her at the "Global Gala," a fundraiser for ISW students or that you remember the newspaper photo of her talking to street kids in Chiapas, Southern Mexico. And still others of you may have received an email from Charlotte describing her experiences in England over the summer.

## **So, you may well ask, where is Charlotte now?**

The path that Charlotte set out on after graduation – and the interesting turn it took, that led her to work as an ISW in Kenya – began after she joined another ISW graduate, Michelle Newlands in Ghana, Africa.

Charlotte was on her way to work in the newest nation in Africa, Southern Sudan, when a stop in Kenya to organize travel papers brought another opportunity – the offer of an internship position in the area of Social Enterprise with CoWA (Companionship of Works Association). CoWA is a non-profit organization working in Kenya to promote financial and economic independence by imparting technical skills that prepare people for the job market or to start their own business. For a number of reasons, Charlotte, who was born in Africa, decided to accept the internship position rather than continue on to Southern Sudan.

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# Congratulations Graduates!

Diplomas, certificates and applied degrees were presented to Loyalist College graduates at Convocation ceremonies held on June 9 and 10. The four events recognized graduates of the Schools of Health and Human Studies, Biosciences, Business and Management Studies, Media Studies, Architecture and Building Sciences, Skills Training, Continuing Education and The Centre for Justice Studies.

The prestigious Governor General's Award was presented to Jason Lee graduating from Accounting, in recognition of achieving the highest average in a two or three-year program at the College. Jason, who returned to Loyalist through the Second Career program, graduated with an overall average of 97.6 percent. He recently competed in the CGA Provincial Accounting Challenge along with another Loyalist student, representing the College. Jason returned in September for a third year, and Advanced Diploma studies.

The recipient of the Herbert Young Scholarship Award for outstanding academic achievement and participation in College life was Jennifer Szymowski, graduating from the Child and Youth Worker program. Mr. Young was the President of Loyalist College from 1970 until 1988.

A total of 108 awards were presented during Convocation and were provided by private donors, business and industry, community organizations, and the Loyalist College Foundation.

*(Right): Loyalist President Maureen Piercy congratulates Accounting graduate Jason Lee, recipient of the prestigious Governor General's Award.*





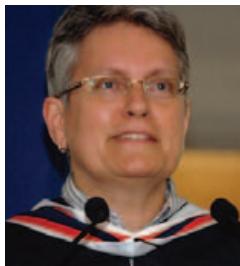
Bancroft graduation

On September 29, friends and family gathered in celebration as Loyalist College congratulated 153 graduates from programs offered through the Bancroft Campus. Certificates and diplomas were awarded in the fields of Developmental Services Worker, Office Administration, Practical Nursing, Social Service Worker, Food Service Worker, Personal Support Worker, Computer Fundamentals, Fundamentals of Policing, Health Records Clerk, Office Assistant, Ontario Building Code Qualifications and Small Business Bookkeeping.

Loyalist President Maureen Piercy congratulated the graduates on the significant personal achievement of obtaining a post-secondary credential. "Research tells us that the future holds many new and exciting career opportunities – many in fields we cannot even imagine today. We also know that the vast majority of tomorrow's jobs will require a post-secondary credential. Graduates, you knew that. And that is why you made the commitment and completed your studies. That is why we are here this evening to celebrate with you."

Emily Bertrand, who was one of eight valedictorians, commented that she was very excited to begin her new career as a Personal Support Worker. "Being a student at Loyalist was a great experience. I loved every minute of it. I have some great job prospects and look forward to where these opportunities will lead."

#### OUR GUEST SPEAKERS FOR CONVOCATION AND GRADUATION CEREMONIES:



**MANDY BONISTEEL**  
Loyalist graduate and Premier's Award winner



**CHARLES BENSON**  
Loyalist graduate and recipient of the Loyalist College Alumni Distinction Award



**MAUDE BARLOW**  
National Chairperson of the Council of Canadians



**BOB McDONALD**  
Canadian Author and Science Journalist



*Bancroft Valedictorian address*



**MARY CLARE EGBERTS**  
President and CEO, Quinte Health Care addressed the Bancroft Graduation

13<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL

# Loyalist College Golf Tournament

## Celebrating our Graduates

The 13<sup>th</sup> annual Loyalist College golf tournament held at Bay of Quinte Golf & Country Club on September 16, 2011 was a tremendous success, with net proceeds of just over \$27,000. This total will be matched by the provincial government through the Ontario Trust for Student Support (OTSS) program, providing a minimum of \$54,000 to the endowment fund for student financial assistance.



*The winning team (left to right): Andrew Donaldson, Chad Skinkle, Kevin Stewart*

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*and all participants...*

**Thank you for your support!**

*Some of the teams at this year's tournament – opposite, clockwise from top left: College President Maureen Piercy with her foursome; Professor Phil Howlett and his "Scottish" team; Alumni Team with the Alumni Association Past President Brian Miller; and the second Alumni Association Team with current President Rosemary Rooke*



*Closest to the Pin Winners –  
Jim Gibbs and Martha Sherratt*



*Longest Drive Winner –  
Foundation Chair Beverley Townsend  
congratulated by Foundation  
Vice-Chair Bernie Ouellet*



*Corporate Challenge Team Winners –  
TD Insurance Meloche Monnex*



*Longest Drive Winner –  
Chad Skinkle*

# Supporting Student Success – through Awards, Bursaries and Scholarships



At the Loyalist College Annual Undergraduate Awards Ceremony held on Wednesday, November 16, 2011, 306 awards totaling \$172,298 were presented from the Loyalist College Foundation and from individual donors, businesses and community organizations. Aboriginal Post-Secondary Education and Training Bursaries, and First Generation Bursaries were provided through provincial government funding.

The following new awards were presented as a result of endowed funds established during the past year.

**The Albert and Ann Theriault Memorial Endowment Fund** was established by the Theriault's friend Mark Gallupe – a faculty member at Loyalist College, and the executor of Mr. Theriault's estate. Mr. Theriault attended Loyalist, as did two of his grandchildren, and it was his wish that part of his estate would be used to establish a bursary to assist students in the Social Service Worker (SSW) program.



*Second-year Social Service Worker student Brandy Brant was presented with the Albert and Ann Theriault Memorial Bursary by Mark Gallupe, Coordinator, Loyalist SSW program.*

As Professor Gallupe explained, "The Theriaults truly loved Loyalist College and I am honoured to have been involved in ensuring the fulfillment of their legacy through the establishment of this award."

First-year Civil Engineering Technician student, Patrick Parkinson, was presented with the **C. Donald Royce Memorial Endowment Bursary**. The fund was established by a donation from Donald W. Royce in memory of his father, C. Donald Royce, who was a faculty member at Loyalist College from 1968 to 1992 in the Civil and Survey programs.

The award was presented to Patrick by Loyalist College President Maureen Piercy.



*Executive Members of the Quinte Early Childhood Education Resource Centre: Jeanne Lozanski, Marlene Campbell, Betty Exelby, and Daniel Dulmage, presented a cheque for the establishment of an endowment fund to President Maureen Piercy.*

The **Quinte Early Childhood Education Resource Centre (QECERC) Endowment Fund** was established this year with a donation of \$100,000. Together with the enhanced matching funds from the provincial government as part of the Ontario Trust for Student Support Program (OTSS), this endowment fund will provide financial assistance to students in Loyalist's Early Childhood Education program in the form of annual bursaries.

"As we consider dissolving our organization, our wish is that rather than distribute our assets and just fade away, we might be able to find a way to continue to attain our goals," said QECERC Treasurer Dan Dulmage.

"The present executive members of QECERC have an association of more than four decades standing with the College as faculty or as students, and we are confident in Loyalist's ability to inspire and train quality Early Childhood Educators."

Loyalist College extends gratitude and thanks to the many other individual and corporate donors for their outstanding support during the past year. Your gift will continue to build dividends throughout the lives of the students whose futures depend on our support today.

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*The C. Donald Royce Memorial Bursary was presented to first-year Civil Engineering Technician student Patrick Parkinson by College President Maureen Piercy.*



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Here, Charlotte recalls a particularly poignant incident: "Of all the field visits I have been on so far, my most memorable experience was at a primary school in Kibera, right here in Nairobi. It was my first session with grade 8 students. As the session time was coming to an end, I remember looking at the clock and thinking, 'I don't want this to be over just yet but I have no choice.' So, I told the kids that they were free to go. But they remained seated in their chairs.

"I was beginning to think that maybe there was something wrong so I repeated myself, 'it's Friday afternoon and our session is over – don't you want to go home now?' They all responded at the same time and said, 'Nooooo, let's stay a little longer because we like talking to you.' It took everything in me to hold back my tears because I am a person who is constantly on the go and thinking about the next project.

"However, at that moment I realized I had finally come full circle by coming back to Africa after nine years, doing what I love and for the first time in a long time, there was nowhere else I wanted to be. I extended the session while we waited for the other classes to wrap things up.

"Guess what? They still did not want to leave (neither did I really). It was at that point that we started to take pictures of each other and just had the time of our lives."

So, although Charlotte's intended path was meant to lead her to Southern Sudan, an unexpected turn of events led her to a place where her work as an International Support Worker makes her as happy as it makes the people she is there to support.

Other graduates of the program are also doing great work overseas. Shortly after graduation, Michelle Newlands began working at the African University College of Communications. She works with students to create human rights-based media and events and with professors to create human rights curriculum. A third ISW graduate plans to start work in Africa in January.



*Charlotte Kudadiringwa is pictured with her students in a Kenyan classroom.*

Gary Warren, Coordinator of the ISW program at Loyalist, said he is "proud of the work that Charlotte and the other ISW graduates are doing. Whether they are working in Canada for organizations like the Red Cross, going on to get more education, or joining boards of international development organizations."

The current ISW class is already packing their bags as they and their teachers prepare for a January trip to Southern Mexico where they'll learn how to travel and work safely in distant places. Gary gives this advice to interested students, "Applications are being accepted for next year's class. And since the program allows for a maximum of 20 students, it should fill up fast, so it's important to apply early."

**For further information about the ISW post-graduate program at Loyalist College and the application process, please contact:**  
Gary Warren, M.Ed., ISW Coordinator, Loyalist College  
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## Todd Smith, MPP for Prince Edward-Hastings

Newly elected MPP Todd Smith is a graduate of the Loyalist College Radio Broadcasting program.

Employed by Quinte Broadcasting since 1993, Todd held the position of News Director from 2006 until he left the position to run in the provincial election.

As a member of the College's Broadcast Journalism advisory committee

and then the Journalism – Online, Print and Broadcast program, Todd has made annual presentations to Loyalist first-year students. During those presentations, students have heard a story about why it is important to always be prepared. That story goes like this:

While attending Loyalist, one of Todd's professors told the class about a radio station that had a part-time position open. The professor encouraged the students to take their résumés to the station because it would be good

experience for them. Before the class was over, the other students realized Todd Smith was missing. As it turned out, Todd, who was always prepared with an up-to-date résumé and a tape, was already on his way to the radio station. "It's a true story," said Todd. "I was on the bus about 20 minutes after the professor told us about the job and had the 'gig' within an hour!"

Todd Smith was elected MPP for Prince Edward-Hastings on October 6, 2011.

Congratulations!



TODD SMITH

# Calling all Alumni –

AS IS THE CASE EACH YEAR, many of our students are in need of financial assistance to help pay for their college education. Helping students financially allows them to focus on their studies which enables them to become the best that they can be and, ultimately, to make a positive contribution to society.

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## It's that time of year again...

*Student Ambassadors, back row, from left: Dylan Robichaud, Louis O'Driscoll; Front row, from left: Jessica Allen, Carlie Boor, Chelsea Astill*

student "Annual Fund Ambassadors" we hope you will take a few moments to talk with the student to find out more about our Annual Fund appeal and how you can help a Loyalist College student realize his/her full potential. This year, our ambassadors will also explain that you can choose to direct your donation to the Campaign for Loyalist College. Thank you for your consideration!

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## It's a Third Gold for the Loyalist Lancers!

On Saturday, November 12, the Loyalist Lancers Men's Rugby Team captured the title of **Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) Division II Provincial Champions** for the third consecutive year.

Second-year player Luke Shillington was named **Man of the Match**, with five points for the Lancers. First-year player Connor McCann won the OCAA regular season scoring title and was named to the **OCAA Division II All Star** team along with teammate Jesse Gunter.

Jim Buck, Manager of Athletics and Campus Recreation, praised the team and the coaches for the example they have set for the Loyalist community. "When a team remains on top for three consecutive years it is because of their commitment, hard work and pride – not only in themselves but in the College community. The victory banners will hang in the Loyalist gymnasium and we hope that they will be a proud reminder of this achievement when these players return to campus as alumni in ten years' time."



# Alumni Address Update Form

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Loyalist College, Alumni Services

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Fax: (613) 969-1867

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For information contact Gary Warren at  
[gwarren@loyalstc.on.ca](mailto:gwarren@loyalstc.on.ca)

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- The sports industry alone generates twice the revenue of the automotive industry. (*Street and Smith Sports Industry Journal*)
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For information contact Kim Grimes at  
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