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ANATOMY OF A SUCCESSFUL EVENT

Saints' Spring Dinner/Dance, 19 April, 2011

our events leave with the feeling, "Tonight (today), I had a pensive. BUT the quality was superb and the quantity we will look at the "numbers" behind the event.

tickets were collected at the door, and the net profit was night with the compliments he was receiving. \$4,203.00 or \$12.11 per ticket collected.

Receipts	Total	Per Ticket
1) Tickets – 347 x \$40	\$13,880.00	\$40.00
2) Raffle	985.00	2.84
Total Receipts	\$14,865.00	\$42.84
Expenses		
3) Catering	\$4,998.00	\$14.40
4) Bar Expenses	2,579.63	7.44
5) Hall Rental	1,382.26	3.98
6) Music	700.00	2.02
7) Printing : signs & flyers	200.00	0.58
8) Decorations	150.88	0.44
9) Bartenders	300.00	0.86
10) Prizes / Raffle tickets	350.61	1.01
Total Expenses	\$10,661.38	\$30.73
Net Profit	\$4,203.62	\$12.11

- 1) Tickets. It always happens; invariably for legitimate or SUPPORT. THE COLLEGE NEEDS YOU. other reasons, some people do not show up even when they AETERNA NON CADUCA have paid for the ticket. We had a SOLD OUT crowd of A. Rupert De Castro 350, yet only 347 attended. Why? Statistically, the larger the event, the higher the percentage do not show up. Anyway, better 2-5% than higher.
- 2 and 10) Raffle. Yes, the Raffle generated a lot due mainly to our "productive sales people". Yet, we need help. If any of you can donate prizes for our raffles or knows of someone who can for our future events, please call any Executive member of Saints. We will be only too glad to pick up any prizes you (or anyone you know) donate. We could have saved the \$344.38 we expended for prizes.

- In our organization, we define success as having patrons to 3) Catering. Yes, at \$14.00 per patron, the meal was ex-GOOD time and I got my money's worth". In this article, filled the extra large plates. Patrons had both chicken and fish, rice and vegetables, a salad, and full dessert and cof-This was all-inclusive event; dinner, dessert, coffee/tea, fee or tea. Our quality control department excelled. And and all drinks were included in the price of the ticket. 347 our caterer, Shevin Naraine, had a smile on his face all
 - 4) Bar. This time, Neville, our Bar Boss, bought more than an adequate supply of wine which flowed like water that
 - 5) Hall. The West Rouge Community Centre upper floor is expensive, but our patrons really enjoy the layout, the ambience, and the "effortless" dance floor. Tickets to a function there are usually easier to sell than for most other
 - 6) Music. Supplied by D.J Jones (THE MAN), no one "reads" a crowd as well as THE MAN. The floor was occupied all night. What a performance!
 - 7) Printing. We are always looking for sponsors for our flyers. It costs very little. Know anyone?
 - 8) Decorations. It does not take a lot to decorate the hall when one uses professionals. We happen to have them on staff at SAINTS, and they are for FREE.
 - 9) Bartenders. There is a cost, but we have moved to professional bartenders as they provide superb service with a smile. Many guests were appreciative with their tips.
 - 11) Net Profit. Saints' second definition of success is our Net Profit for, without it, we cannot support our alma mater, St Stanislaus College. At \$12.11 per patron, we made a handsome net profit.

WE WHOLEHEARTEDLY THANK YOU FOR YOUR

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...AND LIVES WERE CHANGED

Some personal reflections on the first 3 years of training following entry to the Royal Air Force in the 1960s

In 1958 on a warm sunny afternoon, I witnessed quite an Buckinghamshire. amazing event in the skies over Georgetown. I saw, for the As I write this article, it is 50 years almost to the day that I first time, a pair of RAF Canberra aircraft giving a most left Guyana bound for London in March 1961. I was just impressive air display. The sight and sound of those 2 3 months short of my 16th birthday. My suitcase contained shiny bright jets kindled my early interest in aviation. I the bare minimum of personal possessions and, in my College. In those days, we were in the era of the Cold days). I also have to admit to being somewhat apprehen-War, Man had not yet set foot on the Moon, and the nearest sive at leaving my family and friends in Guyana for the rule.

ence were my favourite subjects. I was always captivated away, in a new country. I cannot recall what my aims were by the wonders of science and nature, and fascinated at at the time, but suspect that I did not really have any, other how they both combined to make things work. At that than perhaps to make my cash last as long as possible. time, I had no firm plans as to my future choice of career My Entry (the 98th Entry) at but, if push came to shove, my preference would have been RAF Halton comprised 122 to become involved in something practical, possibly a ca- boys from within the UK reer associated with aeronautical engineering. I had little and from various Commonidea as to what "engineers" actually did, and suspect that wealth Countries. most of my teachers did not know either. Engineering was were 9 entries (3 entries per seen as being slightly grubby and probably involved wear- academic year) housed in 3 ing overalls and wielding a big hammer! However, I have wings. In total, there were since been inspired by the famous words of one of the great just over 1500 apprentices theoretical physicists of the 20th century, Albert Einstein: under training, "Scientists investigate that which already is; engineers cre-seemed a lot to me. ate that which has never been.", and so the die was cast.

Like most boys in their teens, most of my spare time was modation (20+ to spent meeting up with school friends, swimming in the room). punt canals of the Sugar Estates (without permission!), and Our first week in the junior cycling. During the holidays, my friends and I would cy- No. 3 cle from Georgetown to camp out near the former Atkinson (known as the "rookie Airport, primarily to view the passenger aircraft move- wing") was spent getting to ments. I also enjoyed playing sports (cricket and soccer) at know one another, allowing the College. In 1960, we won the inter-collegiate Dias Cup youthful humour to mask the mixture of apprehension, ex-2-01

would last for 3 years at RAF Halton, near Aylesbury in Armed Forces.

was 13 years old at the time and a student at St. Stanislaus pocket, I had about £50 in cash (quite a tidy sum in those thing to the electronic calculator was the ubiquitous slide UK. I do so, here, knowing that many fellow members of the College Alumni Association had a similar experience Throughout my time at the College, mathematics and sci- as they faced up to the uncertainty of starting a new life far

lived in dormitory accom-

apprentice wing



Apprentice 1964

tournament versus QC and Berbice High School. In prepacitement, and home-sickness. Guyana seemed such a very ration for the tournament, I can recall our team members long way away. However, what struck me most at the out-(Chris Fernandes, Monty Henson, RI Perriera, Elton Amo, set, was how different we all were, as we tried to size up et al) being involved in early morning runs along the sea- our new surroundings and the calibre of our comrades-towall with our Games Master (Rev. Ray Pancham) cycling be. Our ages ranged from around the 16 to 18+ mark. I alongside. One of the other high points at the College was also noticed that the competitive spirit featured highly in my selection to play for a combined Saints/QC soccer XI all aspects of apprentice life, from inter-entry rivalry, to against a team from Boa Vista.....and unfortunately, we lost sport, and right through to our training. In our off-duty time, we would also face keen competition from the local In 1960, whilst a student in Form 5A, I decided to join the youth in nearby Aylesbury, especially at Saturday night RAF as an Aircraft Engineering Apprentice (flight/ dances where the young ladies always seemed to be in navigational instrument systems). After sitting a series of short supply! However, for us, the main matter of moment written tests and undergoing a medical examination, I was was to negotiate successfully, the hurdles set by the traininterviewed by a Board of Officers and selected for train- ing machine at Halton. Our first task was to take the oath ing in the UK; this would commence in April 1961, and of allegiance to HM The Queen as new members of HM

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Having joined the payroll, we were at the bottom rung of took some effort. the RAF career structure.....and for us, the only way ahead With the "Boot Camp" phase completed successfully, we was onwards and upwards!

training which served to introduce us to the RAF way of doing things and some of its customs. In his first address to us, our Squadron Commander highlighted the need for self-discipline, hard work, loyalty, and team work. He would accept nothing less than 100% effort from all of us (and we were in no position to disagree!). We had kit to clean, uniforms to iron, boots to polish, room jobs to undertake etc., etc. It came as a rude awakening to those who were not so well versed with carrying out domestic chores. such as using an electric iron as it was designed to be used. Some burnt their brand new uniforms at their first attempt causing howls of anguish! Thus, ironing skills had to be at St. Stanislaus; this was conducted by officers of the RAF learnt quickly to avoid having to pay for replacement uniforms! We shaved daily, only because we were told to, not that failure to do so was in any way detectable! We also had to get used very quickly to the pace of events. From the bugle sound of reveille (7 a.m.) to lights-out (11 p.m.) (Mondays to Fridays and Saturday mornings), we seemed to be on a roller-coaster. We also had to attend a Sunday Church Parade once every month. Our feet, in the old Service phrase, "never touched the ground" as we negotiated room inspections, form-filling, lectures, kit issue, the tailors, and the "dreaded" barbers who offered us any style of haircut provided it was "short back & sides"! In the midst of all this frantic activity in the first week of training, we had to sit down one evening in our rooms and write an essay about ourselves entitled "My Life", describing our existence to date and outlining our career aspirations.

many occasions, we were shouted at merely because we aminations held in June 1963. were just present on parade! It was amazing how many During our sparetime, we were encouraged to participate in boys at first couldn't tell the difference between "left and extra-curricular activities and sport. Many boys learned to right" which at times led to much confusion, followed by play a range of musical instruments as members of the pipe lots of shouts from the NCOs! In the Gymnasium and on and brass bands. Under the auspices of the Halton Society, had to endure frequent cross-country runs and PT sessions. Award Scheme, exchange visits overseas, stamp collecting, in the Gymnasium and Station swimming pool. During etc.

one of the many fitness tests, we had to swim 2 lengths of the pool wearing overalls and canvas shoes...that really

were deemed fit to commence our technical training. Life During the first 4 weeks, we had to undergo basic military seemed to be less hectic. However, we were expected to maintain high standards of service discipline and physical fitness throughout the remainder of our apprenticeship. First, we had to prove our worth in our academic studies. Second, we had to learn a range of practical skills and to apply engineering principles needed to meet Civilian Aviation Authority standards and to maintain a wide range of RAF operational aircraft (both rotary & fixed wing) and their systems at frontline bases in the UK or overseas. On the spiritual side, 1 period every month was also programmed as a "Padre's Hour" to meet the Chaplain.

The academic studies phase was a continuation of my time



Parade Commander 1988

Education Branch and civilian lecturers....and they, like On the Parade Square, we were put through our paces the teaching staff at St. Stanislaus, were very business-like learning the basics of foot drill, arms drill, saluting, etc., in their approach. We studied technical subjects such as under the watchful eyes of our formidable drill NCOs. We Mathematics, Applied Mechanics, Electrical / Mechanical marched in step, wheeled, turned, moved our head and eyes Engineering Science, Engineering Drawing, English, and to the left and right, fixed and unfixed bayonets, presented General Studies. The syllabus was designed specifically to and reversed arms, etc. Some of these things we had to do underpin aircraft maintenance training and to meet the acaseveral times to the ultimate satisfaction of the NCOs who demic requirements of the UK Council of Engineering Ingave very loud cries of encouragement (at least that's what stitutions leading to the award of the Ordinary National I think they were!). They also introduced us to some col- Certificate in Engineering. Moreover, 3 of us were sucourful language when we didn't get things just right! On cessful at the University of Cambridge GCE "A" level ex-

the sports fields, the PT instructors did their best in their apprentices were also able take part in a wide range of hobquest to get us all fit to meet RAF requirements. Thus, we bies including mountaineering, the Duke of Edinburgh

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MEMBERSHIP

The following is the list of alumni who are currently paid-up members in 2011. The names in *italics* are alumni who have paid since the last issue of the newsletter was published.

CANADA (113)	Peter De Freitas	Fr. Ken Macaulay	Arthur Veerasammy ³	Tony Gomes ¹
Paul Abdool	Frank Delph ¹	Gerard Martins	Vibert Vieira ²	Neville Jordan ³
Lance Alexander	Roger Devers ²	Herman McCowan	John Vincent ²	
Terry Angoy ¹	Terry Devers ²	Michael Mendes de	Howard Welshman ³	U.S.A. (18)
Paul Archer	Neville Devonish ³	Franca ²	Godfrey Whyte	Anthony Bollers ¹
Glenmore Armogan	Frederick Dias ¹	Vincent Mendes de	David Wong ¹	Fr. Andrew Chan-a-
Bernard Austin ¹	Jerome D'Oliveira	Franca ¹	Raymond Wong ³	sue ¹
Gregory Badley	Ronald D'Ornellas	Richard Miller ³	Gerry Yaw	Ronald Chanderbhan ¹
Malcolm Barrington ⁴	Edward Driver	Perry Mittelholzer ³	Brian Yhap ²	Brian Chin ³
Arnold Bayley	Paul Duarte	Shevin Naraine	John Yip	Lawrence Correia ²
Gerard Bayley ¹	Carlton Faria ¹	Clarence Nichols ⁴	Angus Zitman	Peter Fernandes ²
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Errol Chapman	Trevor Gomes ¹	Harold Rampersaud ¹		Carl Marx
Vernon Chaves ²	Neil Gonsalves ³	Cecil Ramraj	BERMUDA (1)	Hugh Rodrigues
Sydney Chin	Ken Hahnfeld ¹	Hilary Rebeiro	Francis Grenardo ³	Keith Seaforth
Ivan Choo	Albert Hamilton ²	Raymond Rebeiro		John Sparrock ²
John Choy	Hugh Hazlewood ²	Alex Rego	BRAZIL (1)	Leyland Thomas
Diane Christie	Desmond Hill ¹	Ramon Rego	Stephen De Castro ¹	
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Ivor Da Silva ¹	Des Jardine ¹	Phillip Rodrigues ³		
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Dennis De Cambra	Greg Kellawan	Winston Sparrock ³		
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Gabriel De Castro ²	Vibert Lampkin ⁷	Michael Teixeira ¹	Christopher Cho-	
Gregory De Castro ¹	John Lopes ²	Walter Tiam-fook	Young	
Rupert De Castro ¹	Geoffrey Luck	Beverly Vandeyar	Richard DeCaires ¹	

Of the 143 paid-up members, 129 are renewals from last year.

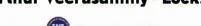
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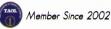
- 1. These (38) alumni have paid in advance through 2012.
- 2. These (20) alumni have paid in advance through 2013.
- 3. These (24) alumni have paid in advance through 2014.
- 4. These (5) alumni have paid in advance through 2015.
- 5. This (1) alumnus has paid in advance through 2017.
- 6. This (1) alumnus has paid in advance through 2018.
- 7. This (1) alumnus has paid in advance through 2019.
- 8. This (1) alumnus has paid in advance through 2022.

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transistor radios from kits, which I then sold to other apprentice colleagues....at a small profit! Furthermore, it was possible to play practically any recognised sport and to receive instruction in glider flying and expedition training...."you name it, we play it!" was the slogan!

However, it was not all plain sailing by any means. Although we were in quite a busy, disciplined environment, minor misdemeanours were sometimes committed; the secret was, not to get found out! In our first year and possibly due to youthful exuberance, some of us spent the odd you are really serious weekend on fatigues in the tin room of the Apprentice Mess Kitchen, cleaning greasy pans - a task which we didn't relish one little bit. Looking on the brighter side, in the second year whilst in the senior No. 1 wing, I was promoted to NCO Apprentice rank which was very much like being a prefect and mentor to the junior 100th Entry, and most of every opportuwhich provided an opportunity for individual leadership nity that comes your training and afforded extra privileges including my own way. room, additional (a very small rise!) pay, and being permitted to park my car on the Station. Many years later, I had a chance meeting at an operational base with one of our former drill NCOs. He was, by then, the Station Warrant Officer. I mentioned the tin room to him. He looked at me am sure that not every and, with a wry smile, he said... "but it was good for the soul....and, then again, haven't you done well".

In remembering the 3 years spent at Halton and with the aid of rose-tinted spectacles issued only to those of a certain age, it's mainly the good times that seem to spring to mind. I can recall a tremendous team spirit, camaraderie, and lots of laughter and fun in those distant days. For a selected few of the front-runners in the order of merit, the possibility of being recommended for training as commissioned officers was also very much on the cards, as the date RAF Halton. of our graduation approached (25 March 1964).

CRESCENTES DISCIMUS ("We learn as we grow") was the Halton motto, and so it proved. Over the years, many ex-apprentices from Halton went on to serve their country with distinction, and several attained senior rank in the RAF. Indeed, one "old boy" who started his RAF career as an aircraft apprentice in 1923 was Air Commodore Sir Frank Whittle. He invented the jet engine and wrote his very first essay on this subject during his apprenticeship at Halton in the 1920s. I often wonder where we would now be, but for his invention. After our graduation parade, we lege and subsequent service in HM Armed Forces, there took our respective places within the RAF at a time when the Service was going through tremendous change, not least keeping up-to-date with advances in modern technol- decision that I ever made. ogy, a process which continues apace today in 2011. Group Captain Christopher Cho-Young RAF (Rtd.) Throughout our individual service careers, we undertook MSc CEng FRAeS AFIMA FIMgt MIET PGCertEd our assigned duties wherever we were posted, and doing (St. Stanislaus College 1956-61)

whatever had to be done. It could be rewarding; it could also be difficult, onerous, and even dangerous.

My chosen hobby in the electronics club was constructing I think it right to say that Halton prepared us well for RAF service. What I did not know at the time was how important my apprentice training would be to my own personal development. It made me fitter, mentally tougher and more competitive. I quickly learnt at Halton to stand on my own two feet and to take responsibility for myself and sometimes for others. Another lesson I learnt, and which I still firmly believe, is that the world owes no one a living,

and that success never guaranteed. about making your way, you have to aim high, decide what you want to achieve, and "go for it", making the "Life", as the saying goes, "is not a rehearsal". Looking back at the 3 years of my apprenticeship, moment was full of unmitigated joy, and thankfully there were



Royal Visit 1988

no real disasters. My achievements far exceeded expectations; this I can attribute to only 3 factors: (a) the ability to read a book and extract the detail, (b) the ability to ask the right people the right questions and, most importantly, (c) an inquiring mind which had been greatly expanded by wise and dedicated teachers at St. Stanislaus College and at

If I really needed a skill that I did not possess, teaming up with someone who does have it seemed to work wonders. Along the way. I teamed up with a tremendous lady. Olive and I have been married now for over 42 years, and she routinely makes up for my many failings with considerable grace.

Last word.....Whenever I am asked why I joined the Royal Air Force at the very tender age of 15 years, I often reply that I could think of nothing better to do at the time. Looking back to my days as a schoolboy at St. Stanislaus Colwas genuinely nothing better, although at the time I did not realize quite how good it was going to be. It was the best

OBITUARIES

- * BANNISTER, Colin Adrian (23 March, 1924 16 March, Ontario, Canada, on 3 April, 2011, at the age of 65 years, 2011) died in Florida. He was the father of Beverly Ann, He is survived by his children Les-1974 alumnus Mark, Gregory, and Gail, and grandfather ley, Andrew, of 11. He was an Agriculturist by profession and served as grandson David, lovingly rememacting Permanent Secretary for Ministry of Agriculture in bered by his siblings Desiree (wife Guyana, his last position before migrating to Briarwood, of alumnus Chris Fernandes), Oueens, New York, in 1975 with his family.
- * DERRELL, Eileen passed away suddenly at home in Bar- many nieces and nephews, and prebados about 1.00 p.m. on 28 May, 2011. She was the wife deceased by his sister Patricia Soloof alumnus Pat Derrell who taught at St. Stanislaus Col-mon. lege from the 1960s to the 1980s.
- * Alumnus (1958 1962) YIP, Roger Anthony "Tony" John Yip, past member of the Toronto Alumni Executive passed away peacefully at The Hamilton General Hospital, and former Editor of this newsletter.

Christopher, and Stephen, Rosemarie, Carol, and



He also was the cousin of alumnus

ALUMNI IN THE NEWS

Guyana's EU envoy to chair EU Development Centre BRUSSELS Friday, 20 May 2011 - Alumnus Dr. Patrick The Centre is a widely-recognised independent think-tank **I.** Gomes, Guyana's Ambassador to the European Union based in Maastricht, the Netherlands, and was established (EU) and African, Caribbean, and Pacific (ACP) Group of by an endowment grant from the Dutch government as a States, will assume chairmanship of the European Centre gift to the ACP Group with a view to conducting studies for Development Policy Management from July 1, 2011. The invitation to the Guyanese Ambassador is viewed in cies world-wide, as well as to undertake the role of an part as a recognition of his capacity to help advance the "honest broker and catalyst to deepen ACP-EU relations in

publications that include "Rural Development in the Caribbean".

and programmes analysing development cooperation poliobjectives of the Centre. A former UWI lecturer and re- ways that facilitate poverty eradication and sustainable degional management consultant, Dr. Gomes is author of velopment...".

SAINTS' 2011 GOLF TOURNAMENT

Saints' 2010 Golf Tournament was a resounding success. a raffle, awarding of prizes, and away you go. It was an event of fun and friendship while raising funds. We want to extend our sincere appreciation and thanks to (\$7,200) for the school.

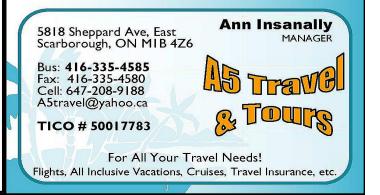
This year promises to be even better, with the Golf Sub- ment, such as ours, to make money, it depends on your atplaying again at Glen Eagles Gold Club in Bolton on 9th tinue to look for sponsors to add to our list so, if anyone July, starting at 7:45 A.M. with a shotgun start. We are would like to be a sponsor or to refer us to someone, please looking forward to seeing you again, so please register call us. This event is now run under the auspices of St. your four-some with your payment to secure your spot.

will hand out gifts at registration, so please show up early nations. when there will be complimentary coffee and muffins (Tim Des Jardine, Co-Chair, Golf Sub-Committee

Hortons). Lunch will be served as soon as the last four-It is with great pride and satisfaction that I report that the some has competed its round. There will be a short speech,

all our past and current supporters. For a charity tournacommittee hoping to raise more than \$10,000. We'll be tendance and, just as importantly, on its sponsors. We con-Stanislaus College (Guyana) Alumni Society, our chari-We expect a beautiful day and anticipate a full turnout. We table organization, so tax receipts will be available for do-



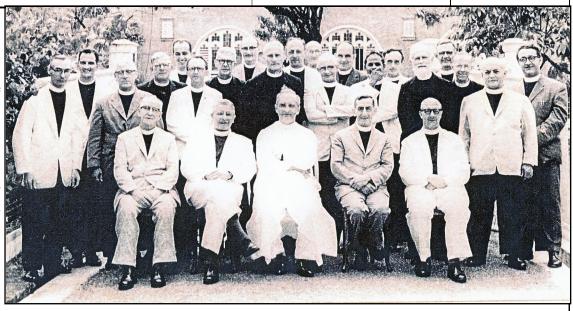


YESTERYEAR **Guvana Regional** Meeting 1960

The names in **bold** indicate those who were associated with the Col-

Sitting left to right: Fr. John Shorrocks, Fr. Andrew Gordon, Bishop Turner SFM, Fr. Peter McCaffery, Fr. John Hopkinson

Standing left to right: Fr. Stanley Maxwell, Bro. Leslie Humphrey, Fr. John Marrion, Fr. Thomas Lynch, Fr.



Benjamin Parrott, Fr. Joseph Chadwick, Fr. Peterson, Fr. Andrew Morrison, Fr. Oswald Earle, Fr. Bernard Darke, Fr. M. Raymond-Barker, Fr. Aiden Gill, Fr. Gerald Cooney, Rev. Raymond Pancham, Fr. Bernard Brown, Fr. Bernard Mc Kenna, Fr. Herbert Feeney, Fr. Sidney Boase, Fr. J. Goodwin, Fr. G. Crimp

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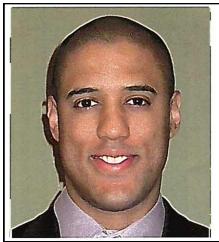
(head and neck surgery) who joined the faculty at the London a more patient-focused Health Sciences Centre (LHSC) in October 2009 after complet- and personalized treating a residency and a fellowship in his speciality at Harvard Uni-ment plan. versity. He earned an undergraduate degree in medical biophys- Nichols is not in the lab, ics from McMaster University and a medical degree from the he spends his time car-University of Toronto. Dr. Nichols says that there was a two- ing for patients and perfold reason for his decision to return to Canada following his forming head and neck training in Boston. First, the Canadian health care model ap- cancer surgeries along pealed to him and, secondly, it was clear that there were tremen- with Drs. John Yoo, dous academic opportunities in London that would allow him to Kevin Fung, and Jason continue the research he began at Harvard.

Head and Neck cancer is a devastating disease as it affects some Dr. Nichols and the of the most personal aspects of life, including facial appearance surgery residents at the and the ability to speak and eat. In the last five to 10 years, it has University of Western been shown that the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) is associated Ontario are trying to with cancers of the tonsil and tongue, with young patients who raise money for Head don't smoke or drink getting this type of tumour. Working with and Neck Cancer Rethe team in Boston, Dr. Nichols' research demonstrated that, search. More information can be found at the web-site, based on several tumour markers, some people were destined to www.headandneckcancer.kintera.org. fail chemotherapy and radiation treatment. His research showed For those interested in donating but who don't want to do it that, with chemotherapy and radiation, patients with an HPV- online, cheques can be made payable to: related cancer and no Bcl-2 marker had close to 100 per cent London Health Sciences Foundation (re: Manuary - Head and survival rates, while those with a non-HPV-related cancer and Neck Cancer Research) and mailed to: the Bcl-2 marker all succumbed to the disease.

Dr. Nichols is working with Dr. Joe Mymryk, an expert in the 747 Baseline Road East field of tumour viruses and a senior scientist at the Lawson Can- London Ontario N6C 2R6 cer Research Laboratory of the London Regional Cancer Pro- Sara Folias can also be contacted by telephone at (519) 685-8721 he is continuing his research to find the optimal treatment for over the phone.

Dr. Anthony Nichols, the son of Saints alumnus Clarence and each patient with head and neck cancer, based on the biology of BHS alumna Audrey, is a clinician-scientist in otolaryngology his/her tumour. He eventually hopes his research will help create

Franklin.



London Health Sciences Foundation, Attention: Sara Folias

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