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A YEAR TO REMEMBER

The 2014-2015 School year was highlighted by an incredible amount of excitement and activity. We had several successful events and several accomplishments by our school and our students that separate Lakeshore Catholic from others schools in our area. In 2014-2015 our greatness showed by our actions and deeds every day.

I am so very proud to be the Principal of this outstanding school.

If we are looking for an entire year in review I would ask that you please watch our monthly videos and get caught up on all of the action that took place at Lakeshore Catholic High School. You will notice that the school is continually active and providing opportunities for our students to flourish as global and local citizens. Our construction is on time and on budget and we hope to be in our new addition for September. Things are looking positive however, as with all construction we will keep our fingers crossed and hope for the best. Regardless, very soon after the opening school bell sounds in

September, we will be in our new building. It is an exciting time to be a Gator!

Athletically our Girls Rugby Team captured the SOSSA Title with a 19-5 Victory



over Saltfleet High School. Our girls advanced to OFSAA and placed as one of the Top 10 Girls Rugby teams in the province. Congratulations to coaches Ashwood and Benoit for their continued support of our girls. The program that they have established has been one of the best Rugby programs in Ontario for over a decade.

In the area of social Justice our Project Irenica Campaign raised over \$1400



for Woman's place of South Niagara. When we look at our Gator walk Pilgrimage, Terry Fox Run, Rankin Cancer Run, Project Irenica and Raise the Roof campaigns Lakeshore



Catholic High School raised over \$30,000 for our needy brothers and sisters both internationally and in our own community.

Recently we had thirty students receive Safetalk training. Safetalk is an intervention program designed to help individuals who are in distress. The idea was requested by students

ASIST Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training

The following staff have been trained to recognize risks and how to intervene to prevent immediate risk of suicide.

The following students and staff have been trained to identify those with suicidal thoughts and connect them to suicide first aid resources.

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

after a powerful public speaker on mental health. Lakeshore Gators stepped up and answered the call. With over 45 students Safetalk trained from every grade, we have taken giant steps towards ensuring a caring community exists at Lakeshore Catholic for the future. This training will assist us in hopefully winning a Premier's Award for Safe and Accepting Schools in 2016.

It is with a heavy heart that we say goodbye to two Lakeshore Catholic icons. Mrs. Karin Gohm, our school librarian will be retiring from the Board after 34 years of service. Mrs. Gohm has always been the hands and feet of Jesus in the library. Her compassion and generosity towards our students will be missed. We wish Mrs. Gohm all the best in her retirement.

Joining Mrs. Gohm will be one of Lakeshore Catholic's original teachers. Mrs. Loreen Michalak will be moving on to the next chapter in her life. Mrs. Michalak has been the driving force behind the Lakeshore Catholic music department since 1988. As her retirement video demonstrated, the impact that her teaching had on students went well beyond the classroom. Mrs. Michalak leaves Lakeshore Catholic with one of the very best Band Programs in Ontario. Her legacy as a teacher, mentor, friend and colleague will be long lasting. We wish you the best in the future!

In the area of the Arts we had our Piano project win two awards at the recent Niagara Catholic District School Board Art show. In fact the Piano was so impressive that the NCDSB decided to come up

with a new award. The One of a Kind Award was specifically created to highlight the unique accomplishments of the Piano. Congratulations to Miss. Iannantuono and her class for bringing Art, technology and music to life. The Piano was highlighted in a segment on COGECO Television. Graduation is just around the corner and many of our Seniors will be moving on to their new scholastic homes. We wish them every success and encourage them to take the gifts they have received from a Catholic Education with them. Graduation will be held on June 25th at the Vale Centre in Port Colborne. Again, I would like to thank you

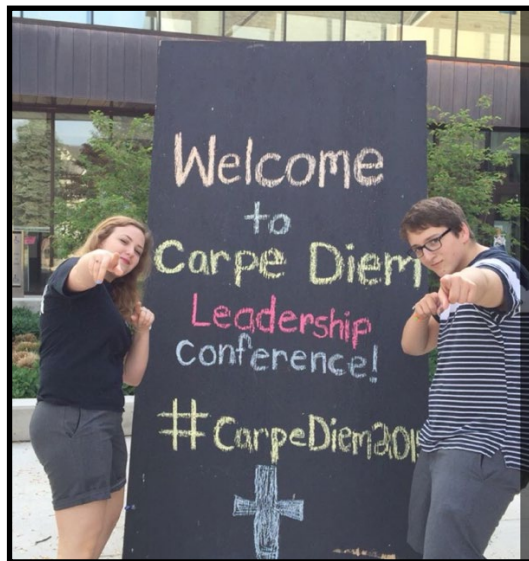


for choosing to send your child to Lakeshore Catholic High School. A Catholic Education is a gift that we should continue to promote and highlight. Our students excel in the area of academics, athletics, social justice, community and faith. All of these factors combined with the teachings of Jesus Christ make Lakeshore Catholic the clear choice for students from our area. Thank You for a great year, enjoy your summer and Stay Classy!

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Our Chaplain and 6 students attended an overnight Leadership conference, Carpe Diem 2015 which was offered by King's College, UWO. It was a tremendous leadership opportunity for all who attended and it proved to be a very worthwhile and spiritually rewarding experience.

We attended workshops on local/global social justice from a Catholic perspective, an interactive workshop, we raised critical issues of injustice and consider how Catholic social thinking is a path to understanding why, when we are producing more wealth than ever before, we are simultaneously producing more inequality. It was an opportunity to discuss ideas on how we can reshape our local/global relationships. We discussed how the prophets and saints were able to spread the good news without Twitter, Facebook



or Instagram... what if they did and how can we do the same? The students also explored the potential of others and themselves. Everyone has been given gifts that are unique to them, we are all "Somebody" and the special gifts can be used to be of service to others.

With all the information received, great food, new friends and beautiful surroundings, the conference was considered a great success.



The Graduating Class of 2015



**KEEP
CALM
AND
SAVE
THE DATE**

September 2, 2015
Registration/Orientation
Day
&

Used Uniform Sale
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

November 4, 2015
Future Gator Day

January 13, 2016
Open House

January 13, 2016
University
Application
Deadline

February 1, 2016
College
Application
Deadline



Gator Life @ Lakeshore Catholic

PROJECT IRENICA

Students Dance for an End to Domestic Violence



On Friday, May 29 dance fever hit Lakeshore Catholic as the 2nd annual Project Irenica was held. Irenica is a Greek word that means working for peace and it is an event that is completely unique to Lakeshore Catholic. It is intended to increase awareness about dating, sexual and domestic violence while raising much needed funds for Women's Place of South Niagara. This year's celebration included face painting, button making, Project Irenica T-Shirt sales and a 'Just Dance' battle during a Period 6 Buy In. Over \$1453.00

has been donated to Women's Place of South Niagara as a result of student participation in the festivities. The donation will support one woman and up to three children who require support and shelter for up to one week. Support can include accessing the 24 hour crisis line (Nova House 905-356-5800 or Serenity Place 905-788-0113, Collect Calls are Accepted), creating an emergency escape plan, transitional planning, child and youth support, legal support and transitional housing. If you are interested in learning more about Project Irenica, becoming involved or supporting the fundraiser by purchasing a 100% Fair Trade Project Irenica T-Shirt for \$15, please contact Lisa Bowers at lisa.bowers@ncdsb.com.



The Invisible Made Visible

On Thursday, June 11th students from Miss Borghese's ESL class and Mrs. Einhorn's World Religions class held Lakeshore Catholic's second annual World Religions and Multicultural Fair. Students were responsible for creating displays, props, brochures and food that represented a particular faith. The entire student body was invited to see these displays held in the Great Hall while on their lunches. Buddhism, Greek Orthodox, Catholicism, Lutheranism, Rastafarianism, Islam, Hinduism and Judaism were among the faiths represented. Many students

appeared in costume. Grade 11 student Kennedy Charrois commented, "The food and costumes were fun. I learned in a different way other than from a textbook. The colours, music, food and activities made world religions come alive." Students were given a chance to spin-the-dharmachakra wheel and many enjoyed the Heaven/Earth/Hell bean-bag toss. The Catholicism group went for a Mardi Gras theme, offering king cupcakes with a hidden baby Jesus inside one of them. Many students took "selfies" with a life-sized cutout of His Holiness, Pope Francis. Megan Winger had this to say: "The samosas were delicious and the Hindu costumes and display gave me a new approach to learn about faiths."

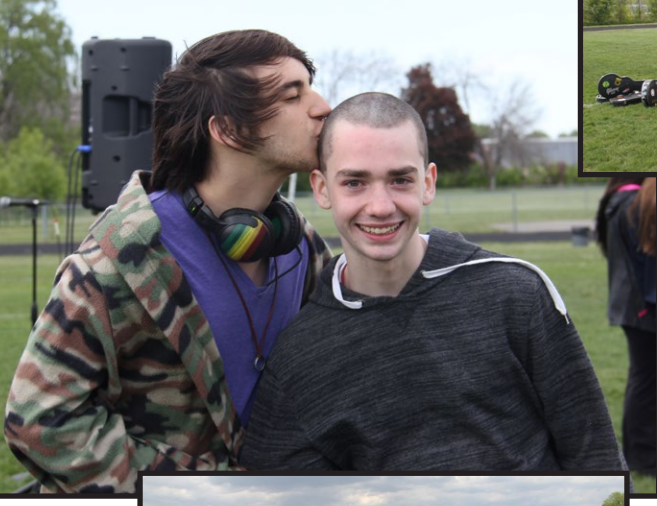


Rankin Run

On Friday May 22nd, 2015, students and staff joined together at Lakeshore Catholic High School to raise funds to assist cancer patients and initiatives through the Rankin

optimism and hope as over 200 people supported this biannual event. It was a great success with \$8,035 being raised.

Participants began the event with a 5 K walk through the community. Upon their return to the school, students continued to walk around the school track to walk the



equivalent of a marathon. Students participated in musical chairs, soccer and dodge ball games, themed laps, scavenger hunts and even a tug of war. Students were also entertained by many student bands through out the evening.

Mrs. Seca and Miss Mc Allister would like to thank the committee members, Johnathon Bokma, Michaela Bodis, Jessica Dussault, Taylor Inouye, Gabriella McKinnon, Kayla Roberts, Nicolas Sardella, Mikayla Sneek, Michela Stratton, Matt Traynor, Aiden Wivoet, and Miranda Whalen for their assistance in planning and running the event.

Cancer Foundation of Niagara. Monies raised go directly back into the local community, such as the Mammogram Department at the Port Colborne Hospital and Wellspring Niagara. The event was filled with



A message from your Students' Council

Students' Council has been very busy since we last left off! In April we had our Student Council elections for the new school year, we held a very successful prom, the Gator Council Games went fabulously, we held our first annual Wipeout (led by Mikayla Tykolis-Horst) and our end of the year Gator Rave.



The 2015 Lakeshore Catholic High School prom was held at Club Roma in the Starlight Room on May 23rd.



Grade Twelve students enjoyed the Wish Upon a Star theme, decorated with stars and all things shimmery. Each guest was given a prom themed mason jar cup in which the guest were served Mocktails throughout the evening. All in all it was a very successful night and the grads behaved well.

This year marked the second annual Gator Council Games at LCHS. Led by Hailey Kranics, students enjoyed a variety of activities revolving around food. Toward the end of the week we held our Food Truck day, where

students were able to enjoy a variety of tasty treats from many different vendors. The week concluded with our first ever Wipeout, where students were able to buy the action, or sign up to participate. The teams



had a blast and we will definitely look into doing this activity again.

To celebrate the end of the year Students' Council held the Gatorrave 3.0, where students could buy a ticket to "Jam Out in Jamaica." The event was DJ'd outdoors by Evolution DJ and all of the students in attendance had a blast raving under the tent. It was a great way to end the year's activities with a bang.

Lastly in April we held our Students' Council elections for the 2015-2016 school year. This year we had more students run to be on our council than we have in years! The election process consists of every student submitting an application, formal campaigning and finally on election day students

running prepare a speech to deliver to the entire student body. The voting process includes students voting for ten candidates, and on a separate ballot students choose a president from those running for the position. All of the speeches were very well said, and we wish we had been able to have a council with every single person. This election also marked the end of our time the grade twelve students currently on council. Previous and current council want to wish them all of the best in their university careers, and we will miss them very much.

As you can see, Students' Council has not stopped since the start of the new semester, and will continue right on through the summer with our grade nine barbeque and summer council meetings. We can't wait for the fall of 2015 to be reunited with all of our fellow gators. We have lots in store for next year!

Sincerely,
Allie Moore, Student Council President

- 2015-2016 Students' Council**
Allie Moore – President
Megan Winger – Vice President
Ashley Fisher – Vice President
Michaela Bodis – Student Trustee
Hailey Kranics – Student Senator
Gabriella McKinnon – Secretary
Laura Ferreria – Advertising Rep.
Alam Burgos – Promotions Co-Ordinator
Gabriel Demizio – Junior Rep.
Josh Mosley – Athletic Rep.
Thomas Wang – Technical Co-Ordinator

And goodbye to our graduating Gators: Andrea McDonald, Rachel Blair, Michela Stratton & Chloe Demizio.

LAKESHORE CATHOLIC HOSTS TOUCH FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Lakeshore Catholic hosted its first elementary school touch football tournament on Thursday, June 11th. Representing the Gator feeder schools were St. Philomena, St. Patrick, St. Therese, St. George, St. Joseph and Our Lady of Victory. A special shout out goes to OLV and St. Therese who entered two teams each. Teams were co-ed and made up of primarily grade 8's, with a smattering of grade 7's and even some energetic and enthusiastic grade 6's. Teams played a bracket style tournament that ensured at least 3 games each. The Lakeshore Catholic Football coaching staff was smiling ear-to-ear because of the excellent crop of incoming athletes. After a multitude of throwing, catching, touchdowns and interceptions, players were treated to a BBQ lunch and a tour of our newly renovated High Performance Centre gym facility. In the end, Our Lady of Victory showed their gridiron prowess and came out on top, although everyone gained an excellent experience. With the success of our first touch football tournament, Lakeshore staff is already planning on making next year's tournament bigger and better. Go Gators!



SAILING WITH THE BUFFALO YACHT CLUB

Our Grade 9 Girls Physical Education class stepped outside the gym this month...taking to the water. We spent a day with Point Abino Station at the Buffalo Yacht Club learning the ins and outs of sailing! The girls learned about water safety, rigging, derigging and wind patterns then spent a couple of hours applying this knowledge as they manouvered their crafts in Lake Erie! A big THANK YOU to Captain Ruth Sparks and her team for sharing their experience and expertise with us. We had a wonderful day!





Athletics @ Lakeshore Catholic

ATHLETES OF THE MONTH



April
Allie Reddon
Swimming



May
Michaela Stratton
Rugby



May
Q Jarrett
*Track & Field
Lacrosse*



June
Caitlin Deruiter
*Track & Field
Rugby*



June
Danny Gambin
Soccer

SOFTBALL

Our Gator Girls Softball Team had a great 2015 season. We played in the Zone tournament held at Grantham Optimist Park in St. Catharines where we met some great competition from other local high schools. Immediately the next day our ball players travelled to London, Ontario to play in Slo-Pitch City's High School tournament. This tournament hosts 36 teams from across Ontario. We batted our way to back to back wins in our first two games before succumbing in our third game. Great spirit, team work and sportsmanship was shown by all our Gator Girls!!!! Cheers to a short but wonderful season!



2015 Girls Softball Team

RUGBY



RUGBY

EST. 1988

GIRLS RUGBY ZONE 3 / SOSSA AAA-CHAMPIONS



Best of luck to our seniors Lydia Brown, Megan Delay, Charlotte Pollard and Michela Stratton. Once a Gator, always a Gator!

Rugby Team Roster 2015

Hanna Barrow, Vanessa Belanger, Lydia Brown, Maria Buttigieg, Molly Daisley, Briley Deiter, Megan Delay, Caitlin Deruiter, Kourtney Edmunds, Staina Exeme, Serina Federico, Hannay Geyer, Delaney Hall, Breanna Harris, Kendall Hill, Faith Hopkins, Aimee Kapuscinsky, LJ Kindipan, Bronwyn Leitch, Sky Lund, Kylee Majoros, Rachel McCartney, Addison McIntee, Emily McKnight, Allie Moore, Janal Padmore, Carlie Pagliacci, Charlotte Pollard, Grace Pollard, Sydney Porte, Alyssa Seinen, Mikayla Sneek, Shannon Staples-McQueen, Michela Stratton, Madison Tartaglia, Taylor Thomas, Hannah Tummillo, Tess Wilkinson, Madsion Wright, Coaches: Jason Benoit, Sue Ashwood and Amanda Mills.

I BELIEVE....I BELIEVE THAT WE....I BELIEVE THAT WE WILL WIN!

This year the Girls Rugby Team had an outstanding season.

With a league record of 7-0, and a season record of 13-2, the Girls Rugby Team was crowned Zone 3 Champions and SOSSA Champions.

The team represented SOSSA at AAA/AAAA OFSSA in Mississauga. The girls ended up 10th overall in the province. The team was recognized for their great achievement on June 8th at Port Colborne's City Council meeting by the honourable John Maloney. Congratulations to all members of the team and coaching staff.



GIRLS SOCCER

The 2014-2015 Lakeshore Catholic High School Varsity Girls Soccer Team got off to a great start this season opening at home to traditionally powerful Notre Dame, who walked away from LCHS with only a 1-1 tie, running up against a stubborn defense that was unrelenting. Our second game of the season saw the Lady Gators on the short end of a 1-0 loss against St. Paul, who was the last of our AAAA opponents, but yet, LCHS held their own on the pitch. The final two-thirds of the regular season saw us in home-and-home matches versus extremely challenging foes A.N. Myer and St. Michael Catholic High School. Despite the results not being in our favour, the Lady Gators put up an excellent fight! In our play-off semi-final, Lakeshore Catholic frustrated the unsuspecting Myer

hosts, stultifying their offensive threats, putting their strikers on their heels for most of the game. With a late-game goal by Hailey Kranics, followed by a barrage of opportunities in the Myer end, the Varsity Girls' soccer season fell just short, coming to an end with a 2-1 score. Your Lady Gators

played an outstanding game to conclude the season. Mrs. DeChellis, Mr. Nuccitelli, and Mr. Miani could not be prouder of the effort put forth by the team! We look forward to next year, in hopes of bringing home a championship to Lakeshore Catholic!



ATTENTION PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, AUNTS, UNCLES, BROTHER, SISTERS AND FRIENDS OF LCHS. WE NEED YOUR HELP RUNNING BINGO.



We are looking for volunteers to help run BINGO on Saturdays, at the Golden Nugget Bingo Hall, in Fort Erie. The time commitment would be Saturdays, once a month, for 2 hours. The time slots vary throughout the day. There is no handling of money or selling. No experience is necessary. Golden Nugget Bingo will train you!

The weight room has purchased 30 spinning bikes, weights, TRX, Bosu Balls, Medicine Balls and mirrors through BINGO funds.

The Rowing Team has purchased 4 boats through BINGO funds.

Other teams and clubs that have benefited from BINGO are:

Cheerleading, Football, Badminton, Rugby, Boys and Girls Hockey, Baseball, Golf, Lacrosse, Swimming, Slo-Pitch, Mathletes, Right To Life Club, Fair Trade Club, Youth

Against Bullying Musical, Choir and Sears Drama Festival.

Money raised through BINGO helps offset the cost of transportation, uniforms and team equipment.

Please call Sue Ashwood, Program Chair of Physical Education and Co-curriculars, at 905-835-2451 ext. 2341 or e-mail susan.ashwood@ncdsb.com with your name and interest in Bingo.

“Volunteers polish up the rough spots in our communities.”

ATHLETIC AWARDS

School and team awards were presented on June 8th, 2015.

The Gator Award recognizes student athletes who embody the spirit of the Port Colborne high school by "acting wisely, thinking clearly and feel deeply." "They are all-around teammates," Sue Ashwood, Lakeshore's athletic director, said.

TEAM AWARDS

Senior male athlete of the year: Danny Gambin
Senior female athlete of the year: Megan Delay
Junior male athlete of the year: Tye Mezei-Lapp
Junior female athlete of the year: Victoria Klauck

Badminton, senior: Jacob Boyer, Dayna Mailo, MVPs

Badminton, junior: Victoria Klauck, MVP

Badminton, midget: Erica Reddon, Jake Swanigan, MVPs

Baseball, boys: Nicholas Cook, Josh Kuderian, Matthew Walker, MVPs; Jacob Boyer, utility man award

Basketball, senior boys: Kyle Morken, MVP

Basketball, junior boys: Dirk Bannon, MVP

Basketball, senior girls: Katherine Cornwall, Olivia Regehr, Brandee Videcak, MVPs

Basketball, junior girls: Victoria Klauck, MVP; Alexandra Klauck, rookie; Hanna Barrow, most dedicated; Isabella DeNardi, Isabella Favero, hardest workers
Cheerleading, senior: Olivia Groetelaars, Madison Lastowka, Emma Masterson, Kayla Taylor, most valuable

Cheerleading, junior: Elizabeth Huezo, Ashley Oliveira Jacques, Amy Masterson, Karmen Rutter, most valuable

Cross-country, senior: Courtney McKee, Samantha Ramirez, most dedicated; Corey Scammell, determination

Cross-country, junior: Dean Miller, outstanding individual performance; Brooke Andrus, Emily Kacur, Meaghan Wing, most outstanding team performance; Caitlin Putney, determination

Football, senior: Mackenzie Jones, offensive MVP; Matt Reuter, defensive MVP; Josh Mosley, lineman of the year; Quintin Jarrett, Gator Award

Football, junior: Tye Mezei-Lapp, MVP; James Burnside, lineman of the year; Jake Swanigan, rookie; Nash Gerritsen, spirit

Golf, boys: Nolan VonKalkreuth, most valuable;

Gymnastics, senior: Morgan Tartaglia, most valuable

Gymnastics, junior: Laura Ferreira, Larissa Giliforte, most valuable

Hockey, senior boys: Ryan Dykstra, Alex Masciovecchio, Dylan Maulucci, Ryan Puchalski, MVPs

Hockey, junior boys: Cail Cirillo, Daylon Groulx, Lucas Fabiani, Alex McTeer, MVPs

Hockey, varsity boys: Jacob Broughton, Mike Fazio, Matt King, Marco Lariccia, MVPs

Hockey, senior girls: Megan Delay, MVP; Alexis Murdoch, leadership; Mary Kate Pinskey, most dedicated

Hockey, junior girls: Molly Sheehan, most improved

Lacrosse, senior: Adam Digout, Marshall Lanteigne, Dalton Tartaglia, Jack Webb, Mitchell Webb, MVPs

Lacrosse, varsity: Jacob Broughton, Jenna Clasue, Andy Digout, Damon Hale, MVPs

Rowing, senior: Kaythlyn Loibi, Samantha Rezner, most valuable

Rowing, junior: Devon Bythell, Bradley Taylor, most valuable

Rugby, senior: Lydia Brown, Megan Delay, Kendall Hill, Charlotte Pollard, Michela Stratton, MVPs

Rugby, junior: Hanna Barrow, Caitlin Deruiter, Delaney Hall, Emily McKnight, MVPs

Softball, senior girls: Paige Bursey, most dedicated; Taylor Inouye, Christian Award

Softball, junior girls: Riley Wright, MVP

Soccer, senior boys: Danny Gambin, MVP; Dorian Layne, Sergio Sereira, top defensive players

Soccer, junior boys: Matthew King, Alex Macateer, MVPs

Soccer, senior girls: Marina DiFrancesco, Amanda Passero, MVPs; Kelsee Quesnelle, most improved; Karyle Mulligan, team player; Alyssa Gooder, spirit

Soccer, varsity girls: Sarah Robert, MVP; Morgan Sereira, most improved; Victoria Klauck, team player; Alison Eberly, spirit

Swimming, senior: Eliza Boisvert, Allie Reddon, Erin Koudjis

Swimming, junior: Hanna Barrow, Eric Goss, Emily Kacur, Aiden Plato

Tennis, junior: Cristina Muno, Lucas Trombley, MVPs

Track and field, senior: Quintin Jarrett, most outstanding; Mandy Taylor, personal development; Courtney McKee, Samantha Ramirez, Discipleship Award

Track and field, junior: Kaitlyn Deruiter, outstanding athlete; Brooke Andrus, outstanding student; Emily Kacur, personal development; Larissa Giliforte, Emile Lafleur, Discipleship Award

Volleyball, senior boys: Nicholas Cook, Anthony Infurna, Nicholas Polinski, MVPs

Volleyball, senior girls: Alyssa Gooder, Hailey Kranics, Nikki Pereira, Charlotte Pollard, MVPs

Volleyball, junior girls: Maddie Kendrik, Sydney Porte, Powerhouse Player Award; Delaney Hall, leadership; Victoria Klauck, sportsmanship



From left, Megan Delay, senior female; Tye Mezei-Lapp, junior male; Victoria Klauck, junior female; and Danny Gambin, senior male; with the Lakeshore High School 2014-15 athlete of the year awards they received Monday in Port Colborne. BERND FRANKE/Tribune Staff

The Arts

DEPARTMENT

The LCHS Music Dept. is finally winding down as this semester draws to a close. With the success of the Spring Coffee House and the music trip to Nashville and Memphis, all members of our Junior Band, Jazz Band, Concert Band and Choir should be very proud of their accomplishments this year and what a memorable year it has been for these talented students!! Special congratulations go out to our powerhouse Rock Band – The Phorks – who opened for the Spoons in concert here at LCHS on May 30th. These student musicians prepared epic songs (Tom Sawyer, Don't Fear The Reaper and Cult of Personality – to name a few) and delivered beyond all expectations – the standing ovation they received said it all! Many, many

thanks to each one of you for all your hard work and a truly professional performance!



The Visual Arts

artistic mediums. Our Lakeshore Catholic grad Hannah Dobbie won Best Painting for her piece “Edie.” The collaborative Piano Project took home two prizes including Best Mixed-Media for its integration of technology, as well as a brand new award created in it's honour, Best One of a Kind. The Visual Arts department wants to congratulate all of this years winners, and more importantly celebrate all of those young artists from Lakeshore Catholic who had the confidence to showcase their work. We are very proud. You can visit the Catholic



things up this month after a successful showcase in the Young Artist Gallery at the Catholic Education Centre in Welland. We are happy to announce several winners for a variety of

Department is wrapping Education Centre at 427 Rice Road in Welland during their summer hours to view the work. It will be returned to the school for pick-up by November 2015.

Good Luck in your retirement Mrs. Michalak!



BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY

A Profitable Day at Entrepreneurship Day

On June 2nd, Mr. Benko's Entrepreneurial Studies class turned the Great Hall into an indoor marketplace. As a part of their course requirements, students had to thoroughly plan and then execute their one-day ventures. In the morning, students set up their "shops". Then as the lunch crowds arrived, the sights, sounds and especially the aromas of their offerings filled the Great Hall. From deep-fried Mars bars to deep-fried dough. From a multitude of baked goods to tasty frozen treats...customers were sure to find a selection that tempted their taste buds.

At the end of the day, the risks associated with running a business paid off as many of the entrepreneurs realized a financial return on their investments. All of the entrepreneurs though took away the valuable lessons learned from participating in the experience. All-in-all, a profitable day at Lakeshore Catholic.



MANUFACTURING & TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGIES

Students in Mr. Stevenson's SHSM manufacturing and Mr. Vasas' Transportation SHSM class experienced the latest in welding technology on a field trip to the Miller Welding Training Facility in Mississauga. During this trip they were able to use state of the art equipment to complete welding processes such as MIG, TIG, and Aluminum Mig welding used to repair body panels on new aluminum bodied vehicles. Students also watched demonstrations on robotic welding and were able to program robots to perform structural welding.

COSMETOLOGY CLASS

This semester Hairstyling students learned professional techniques from Highlights to Hot Rock Massage!! Students learn services such as: foils, haircuts, spa manicures, gel overlay, updo hairstyles, hair removal and makeup application.

If you are interested in the Cosmetology Industry as a career or just for your own personal knowledge, then sign up NOW!! Course code- TXJ3EA





In May Lakeshore Catholic English students attended the Niagara Catholic District School Board’s Inspiring Thinkers Conference at Brock University. Students participated in a variety of workshops lead by creative writing experts including Antanas Sileika, Director of Humber College’s School of Creative Writing; Richard Scrimger, Canadian author and instructor at Humber College’s School of Creative Writing; Diana Zlomislic, Gator alumnus and awarding winning Toronto Star journalist; and author and songwriter, Gordon Deppe of The Spoons. To the delight of the students, Giller prize winning writer and mental health advocate Joseph Boyden delivered the keynote address via Skype from his home in New Orleans.

Lakeshore Catholic students travelled to Stratford, Ontario, on May 6th to attend a performance of Shakespeare’s Hamlet at the renowned Stratford Festival.

Students in grade 12 courses study Hamlet, and the performance was a great opportunity for our students to see Shakespeare’s famous tragedy come to life on stage. Thank you to Mrs. Andrea Lewis for organizing the trip for our students. It was a great day.

Grade 9 students wrote a mock Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test in March. This is a part of Lakeshore Catholic’s on-going literary test preparations. These tests were assessed by teachers, and students received feedback sheets on their test booklets. Please review the booklets and the assessment sheets with your child(ren). In May, grade 9 students had the opportunity to try an online version of the OSSLT in order to become familiar with EQAO’s new computerized format. EQAO has recently announced that next year students will have two chances to write the OSSLT. In November 2015

EQAO will implement an online version of the OSSLT and in March 2016 students will have a second opportunity to write the OSSLT either online or in a paper and pencil format.

The English Department thanks Miss Giulia Borghesi and Miss Kelsey Molnar, for the enthusiasm and excellent work they brought to their ESL and English classes. We wish them well in their future endeavours.

Gators, over the summer break, grab a book or some magazines and read, read, read! The Lakeshore Catholic English Department wishes all students a great summer. Rest and relax! See you in September!

Toronto Star award winning journalist and Gator alumnus Dianna Zlomislic (left) and Inspiring Thinkers’ Conference Michaela Bodis and Gordon Deppe of the Spoons (right).



Native Studies

NAC 10

NAC 20

NBE 3U

The Native Studies classes have been very busy this semester. This year Lakeshore Catholic introduced a new class, “NAC 10: Expressing Aboriginal Culture” and both the Native Studies and Native Art students have had many opportunities to participate in authentic Aboriginal cultural experiences. In March, students welcomed Ms. Jaqi and Mr. D from Woodland Visions and learned the art of wood burning. Woodland Visions kindly donated a large wood circle to our school. The classes have collaborated to create a very unique permanent piece that will be displayed outside the art room. Thank you Woodland Visions, Ms. Jaqi, and Mr. D for your guidance, encouragement and beautiful donation!

In April, both classes had the chance to watch the documentary ‘Unseen Tears: The Impact of Residential Boarding Schools in Western New York’ and speak with one of the film’s producers, Michael Martin. The film provides an understanding of the impact that Residential Schools had on those who were forced to attend as children. Interviews from several residential school survivors are interspersed with archival footage of the residential school experience. It was an honour and a privilege to hear Mr. Martin reflect on the difficulty and necessity of naming the pain and trauma that residential schools survivors and their families continue to experience. We were reminded that many still need to learn the truth in order that reconciliation be made possible.

In May, students traveled to

Six Nations of the Grand River Territory and experienced a tour of The Mohawk Chapel, a traditional Haudenosaunee lunch and a lacrosse or corn husk craft workshop. Students also completed a Blanket Exercise at Lakeshore Catholic. The Blanket Exercise, developed by KAIROS following the landmark report of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, is an excellent tool that literally walks participants through the history of relationships between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people in Canada.

Lakeshore Catholic continues to expand its Native Studies offerings through “NBE 3U: English: Contemporary First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Voices”. It is a Grade 11 University Preparation course that has been added for the 2015/2016 school year. NBE 3U is intended to prepare students for the compulsory Grade 12 English University or college preparation course while exploring themes, forms, and stylistic elements of a range of texts from and related to First Nations, Métis

and Inuit cultures in Canada. All Grade 11 students are encouraged to consider NBE 3U and share in the formation of a new and exciting learning opportunity at Lakeshore Catholic.



FRENCH AND INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES DEPARTMENT

Cultural Excursion to Paris Crêpes Bistro

On May 6th, 2015, during Catholic Education week the Lakeshore Catholic French and International Language Department was proud to offer its Grade 9 and 10 French students a culture and educational enrichment experience at Paris Crêpes Cafe in Niagara Falls. While learning a second language, students are constantly mastering new words and expressions in order to communicate their ideas, of equal importance however is the opportunity to use their language skills in authentic

while communicating with the bistro staff completely in French. A few lucky students were chosen to work alongside the owner of the bistro and were able to practice their crêpe making skills while the rest of the students looked on. The French Department is proud to be able to offer fun and educational enrichment experiences and would like to encourage as many students as possible, with a genuine interest in language learning, take advantage of the wonderful opportunity they have at Lakeshore Catholic to learn another language whether it be



situations. Students from the 10 French classes (joined by a few very lucky grade 9 students) were given the opportunity to immerse themselves in the French culture at the crêperie where they enjoyed both a sweet and savoury crêpe

French, Italian, or Spanish. The students greatly enjoyed the day and quickly realized that it requires a great deal of patience and skill, brought on by a lot of practice, to make the wonderful crêpes that they all enjoyed!! Bon Appétit!!

Brock Niagara French Contest

On Wednesday, May 13th, 2015 Grade 11 and 12 French students from Lakeshore Catholic had the opportunity to participate in the 37th annual Brock-Niagara French Contest. Gators Amandine Faivre, Myah Birrell, Nick Cook and Josh Mosley admirably represented LCHS at this event.

This particular contest provides students with an opportunity to apply their second language skills in competition with students from other district school boards. This most worthwhile experience also serves to increase their experience with the language outside the classroom, provides an opportunity to meet and converse with other students for whom French as a Second Language is valued and network with reputable professors from Brock's French Department.

Special mention goes out to Amandine who finish in 5th place overall competing against high School students from all schools, both Public and Catholic, from Niagara and Hamilton.

Special recognition also goes to Nick Cook who represented Lakeshore Catholic at the Provincial French public speaking contest at Glendon College in Toronto on May 9th, 2015. Nick was selected to attend this prestigious contest back in March when he won the Grade 11/12 Immersion division at the NCDSB French Italian Spanish Public Speaking Contest. Nick is to be congratulated on his achievement and we wish him Bonne Chance as he has indicated he would love to participate again next year.

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

Another successful year is winding down here at Lakeshore Catholic and we want to congratulate our mathematics students on a job well done.

In April, 20 of our Grade 11 Math students attended the First Annual Inspiring Thinkers' Conference held at Brock University. The goal of the conference was to demonstrate how math is manifested in the real world. There were guest speakers from the fields of Engineering, Finance and

Land Surveying, but the highlight was the Math through Art presentation in which our students (along with the other Niagara Catholic High Schools) helped to construct a 3-dimensional artistic piece which will hang in the Catholic Education Centre. Students who will be in Grade 11 next year and are interested in attending next years' conference should notify their math teacher or Mr. Martin starting in September.

This year we had some very

strong performances in the various University of Waterloo Math Contests. Specific mention goes to Jessica Sardella, Thomas Wang, Alissa Aarts and Andrew West for their scores in their specific grade contests. Let's keep this tradition strong next year. Contest dates for next year will be posted on the Math Office door. Have a safe, relaxing summer and keep those mental math skills sharp. Math On!



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Religion Department

It's amazing that another year is coming to a close. The LCHS religion department has had the pleasure to experience a plethora of wonderful events. We kicked off the year with our pilgrimage, the Gator Walk, that supports our brothers and sisters in Dominica. We were able to celebrate the Christmas season together as a school community with a school mass. February saw LCHS send 2 teachers and 7 students (Myah Birrell, Michela Bodis, Cheryl Acosta de la Fuente, Carolyn Paura, Amanda Passero, Rachel Robinson, and Grace Janzen) down to Portsmouth, Dominica on our annual mission trip to lend a hand at the St John's elementary school, St John's Academy, CALLS, the Grange Seniors' Home, and the Portsmouth Library. Through March and April we reflected on our individual, spiritual journey throughout the Lenten season. Each person's path

may differ, but with the guidance that is available via a Catholic education we can all grow in the faith together.

This past semester, Mrs. Badawey's grade 12 sociology classes took a trip to Northland Pointe. While at Northland Pointe the students had the opportunity to tour the facility, then time was spent with the residents participating in activities such as walks along the lake, and having conversations with them over a game of cards. The residents really enjoyed seeing the students there and were happy with what they were doing. The students learned a lot during their visit to Northland Pointe including social policy and the in-depth research into the background of the residents to ensure that they receive everything that is needed while experiencing this stage of life. At the end of the day, both the students and the residents

were pleased with the experience as well as the lessons learned .

To close out our school year we bid farewell to our graduates with our graduation mass. A big thanks to Father Finley and Deacon Bill for presiding at the mass. Your religion department wishes you all the best in your future endeavours.

“Courage my friends; it's not too late to build a better world” --Tommy Douglas--

Have a safe and blessed summer,
Your LCHS Religion Dept



Physical Education Department

NEWS FROM THE SWAMP

It has been a busy spring in Physical Education and Athletics.

Phys Ed classes had the opportunity to go on a golfing excursion, high ropes course at Brock University and bowling. Hockey class have just finished their bi-weekly workouts at the arena. Fitness and weight training classes have been working out, preparing for their final fitness testing. Grade 9 classes have been developing their sport skills. All in all, another fun filled semester has come to an end.

On June 11, Lakeshore Catholic was happy to host the first annual feeder school flag football tournament. Thank you to all of our football coaches and Junior and Senior Football players who helped coached each feeder school team.

Our spring sports have come to a close. A big thank you goes out to all of our coaches who given their time

to our students.

The athletic programs at Lakeshore Catholic High School aim to promote a healthy and active lifestyle.

Coaches work with student athletes to help them reach their full potential as an individual and also as a team. While winning is important, it is not the be all and end all. Lakeshore Catholic High School believes in fair play and sportsmanship while



Baseball - Boys - Coach Pinelli and Coach Jarrett

Lacrosse - Boys - Coach Sim , Coach Roach and Coach Gifford

Rowing - Co-ed - Coach Lenahan

Rugby - Girls -Coach Benoit and Coach Ashwood

Slo-Pitch - Girls -Coach Sheehan and Coach Badawey

Soccer - Junior Boys - Coach Spagnaulo and Coach DeChellis

Soccer - Senior Boys- Coach Secca and Coach Teal

Soccer - Girls - Coach Miani, Coach Nuccitelli and Coach DeChellis

Track - Co-ed - Coach Jones, Coach Antonelli, Coach McGarvie, Coach Roach and Coach Koabel

And a big shout out to:

The Girls Rugby Team had a tremendous season. They won the Zone 3, and SOSSA Championship. The team represented SOSSA at OFSSA in Mississauga June 1 - 3 and ended up placing 10th in the province.

On the track, Caitlin Deruiter represented SOSSA at OFSSA for the long jump.

Good luck to all of our athletes who are graduating. Always remember: “that once a Gator, always a Gator!” The Physical Education Department wish you all a healthy and active summer.



giving 100% effort all of the time. At the end of the season, athletes and teams have a sense of satisfaction and a love of the game which they will carry with them long after they leave Lakeshore Catholic.

SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

The Science Department has been very busy boxing up all of the contents of the Science Classrooms in preparation for the big renovation. Students will be returning in September to brand new science labs!

The Local Niagara Envirothon is a hands-on environmental problem-solving competition for high school-aged students. Participating teams complete training and testing in five natural resource categories: soils and land use, aquatic ecology, forestry, wildlife, and current environmental issues. This program is run over two days. The first day consists of workshops where students learn about the five natural resource categories. Eco-stations are set-up outdoors and tools and equipment are provided so students have an opportunity to look, and learn. The second day is a testing day where the students compete for an opportunity to move on to the provincial Envirothon. Mrs. Piazza and Mrs. Sardella moderate the instruction and preparation of the student teams.

This year Lakeshore Catholic sent two teams to participate in the local 2015 competition. After an exciting afternoon, Lakeshore Catholic's senior team won the competition, and took home the trophy for the fifth time in the last eight years. The winning team includes Brandon Rodrigue, Claudia Wood, Andrew West, Matt Reuter, and Austen Richard.



Eco-Club members Samantha Ramirez, Tamara Eltringham and Cody DiPardo in conjunction with the battery recycling initiative created a Battery Tree that is now being exhibited at the Catholic Education Center.



This year Ava Morris and Jessica Loeffen, 2 female students taking senior science were able to attend the "Scientifically Yours" lecture and demonstration series at Brock University. This presentation is designed to promote women's involvement in science. The ladies thoroughly enjoyed themselves and brought back some great new ideas for demonstrations for future chemistry classes to try. Special thanks to the girls.

MacMEDucation is a medical school experience that was held at McMaster University's Niagara Regional Campus. Christine Yaromich, Nicolas Sardella and Thomas Wang were selected to attend. They were provided with the opportunity to learn new skills, experience the life of a medical student, and network with post-secondary school students who offered mentorship and advice throughout the weekend.

We had the pleasure of having some "extra" students in our

chemistry, physics and biology classes in April when our Dominican friends attended class during their visit to Canada. While here, they were able to participate in labs involving acid-base titrations and determining the enthalpy of solution.

Everyone enjoyed the classroom interactions and learning about the similarities and differences between educational practices across the world.

Numerous science students across grade levels are participating in a field trip to see "Jurassic World"! The teachers and students are so excited to integrate their curriculum with this exciting movie. A big thank you, to Mrs. Pinelli for organizing the event.

The department would like to thank our long-term occasional teacher, Mr. Antonelli for his hard work and dedication to the science department this past semester. We wish him the best as he continues his journey as a Catholic educator. We also welcome back Mrs. Schoonings, who returns from her maternity leave.

Members of the Science Department are looking forward to rejuvenating over the summer months. We would like to wish everyone a safe and happy summer vacation. Congratulations to all graduates. May you be successful in whatever the future may hold for you. Stay green!!



Special Education

Our enthusiastic and energetic pace in the Special Education class continued right to the end of June. Along with our regular programming, teachers planned and conducted end-of-the-semester assessments. With these assessments, as well as parental input, we have planned schedules and programming for the next school year.

The end of the year field trips included a tour of The Veenhof Chicken Farm in Wainfleet and then travelled to Ridgeway to visit The Last Chance Horse and Pony Rescue Farm. Students were engaged in learning how a chicken farm works and how to take care of horses. Our students also ventured to the Niagara Falls Cinemas to watch Jurassic World on opening day. Many of our students also participated in swimming, co-op and other physical and social activities during the semester as they continued their inclusive education programs.

IPRC and transition visits occurred through May and June for in-coming grade 9 students. Multiple Gators and their

parents met with school staff to assist with transitioning and first year questions. We look forward to welcoming all of our new “Gators” and wish them much success during their time here at Lakeshore Catholic.

Our entire department would like to express sincere congratulations to Alexandra Veenhof and Titus Brown, as they begin the next chapter of their lives. Titus and Alex continually blessed the school community with their many gifts and we will miss them tremendously at Lakeshore Catholic. The entire ‘Gator Nation’ would like to wish them every success in their future endeavours.

We would like to thank Mrs. Megan Seca and Mrs. Alysha Duquette for their continued care and professionalism within our department. Mrs. Seca will rejoin her social science team here at Lakeshore Catholic in the fall and Mrs. Duquette will move schools to continue her Educational Assistant duties.

We wish both of them continued success in their new placements.



SOCIAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Another semester has come to a close here at Lakeshore Catholic High School. This semester proved to be another action packed semester in the Social Science Department. In Mrs. Eighorn’s Parenting class the students were able to experience the responsibility of parenting through the care of the Baby simulators.

This past May, Mr. Spagnuolo and Mr. Nori again took all grade 9 geography students to Niagara Falls for the bi-

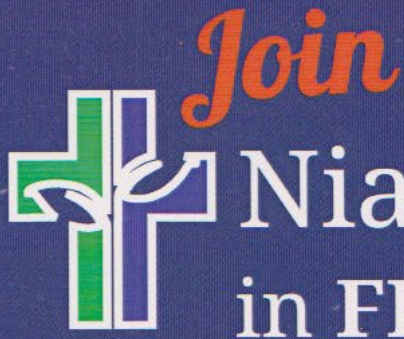
annual geography trip. Students were treated to the Journey behind the falls, a 4D movie about the falls and a trip on the Hornblower boats. The Geography department looks forward to going again in the Fall of 2015!

Exciting news for 2017- Niagara Catholic will be taking students to France to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Vimy Ridge- This moment in history brought our nation together and is known as the, “Birth of

Our Nation” Please see the enclosed information for all the details about this great opportunity being provided by The Niagara Catholic School Board.

Form all of us in the Social Science Department, we hope you have a restful and safe summer. See you in September.

God Bless!



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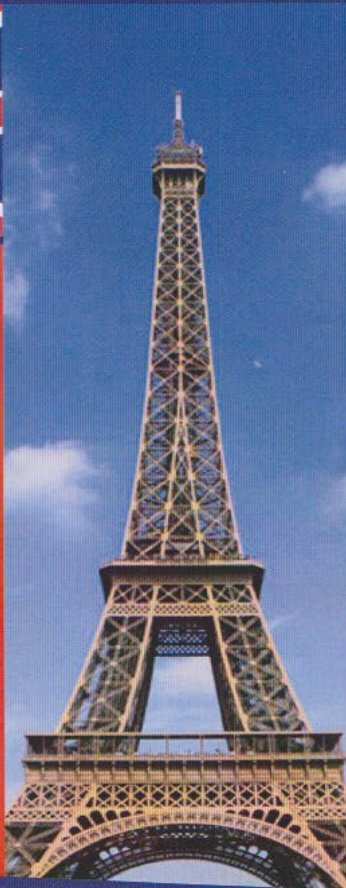
April 5th to
April 15th 2017



Tour Highlights:

Great Britain

- Tower of London
- Buckingham Palace
- Big Ben
- Piccadilly Circus
- Tate Modern Art Gallery
- Covent Gardens
- Thames Cruise
- Royal Observatory
- Planetarium Show
- Walking Tours
- EuroStar tunnel train



Tour Highlights:

VIMY Ridge
Commemorative
Ceremonies- April 9th

France

- Eiffel Tower
- Holy Mass at Notre Dame Cathedral
- Les Hales Food Market
- Louvre Museum
- Versailles
- Juno Beach Centre
- Seine Cruise
- Chateau Versailles
- Conciergerie Prison

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GUIDANCE GAB

As we wrap up our 2014-2015 school year we get ready to start a new school year on September 8th, 2015.

We congratulate all our 2015 graduates and wish them well on their new journeys. To all graduation scholarship sponsors thank you once again for contributing to our students and our community.

To our incoming Grade 9's we will have a summer REGISTRATION/ ORIENTATION day & Used Uniform Sale on September 2nd from 10am -12:00pm. At this time you will meet our Student Services and Administrative team. You will also receive your 2015-2016 timetables, information about bussing, lockers, etc. This is a must attend day in order to feel prepared for your first day of high school. Lunch will be provided as you meet new students from our 8 different feeder schools.

Grade 9 Curriculum Night where parents follow their son or daughter's timetable will be held on September 22nd at 7pm.

For next year's incoming Gr 8's our FUTURE GATOR DAY is scheduled for November 4th and our OPEN HOUSE will be in on January 13th at 7pm in our Auditorium.

Grades 10-12 you have received your 2015-2016 timetable prior to leaving for the school year and were asked to make a guidance appointment to consider changes up until May 29th. Once the semester starts no timetable changes will be accommodated. We ask that you always make informed decisions on levels of courses and choosing elective credits. No REGISTRATION Day will be held in the summer. On the first day of classes you will see a grade list posted of your homerooms in the main office. Proceed to your homeroom and at

that time you will receive an updated 2015-2016 timetable with room allocations. Remember you choose your course not your teacher, the students in the class or the period of the class. Similar to this year we will only have two lunch times-an early and late lunch.

Incoming Grade 12's- some important dates to be aware of:

Ontario University On-Line Application deadline- Jan 13, 2016

Ontario College On-Line Application deadline- Feb. 1, 2016

Have a safe and restful summer!



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