



Musings

“Keeping Malvernites in Touch”

Fall 2020

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From the Malvern Red and Black Society c/o Malvern Collegiate Institute,

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On behalf of the Malvern Red and Black Society, we are inviting all of our members to attend our Annual General Meeting via the Internet on November 7, 2020 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. We hope you have all been safe and healthy, and wish all of you a good year under these unusual conditions. We hope you will read all of this email, as we are including several important messages. The MRBS Annual Report is also available as a separate file, so that you can have it with you if you attend the meeting.

There are a couple of steps to take ahead of time before the meeting. Please do not wait until five minutes before the meeting in case you encounter any hitches. We need you to register here: <http://malverncollegiate.com/events/annual-general-meeting-2020/>. There are a few simple questions to answer so that we know you are attending and we have your email address to send out the link to the Zoom meeting. Your registration ensures that we do not get any unwelcome hackers disturbing the meeting. Please do not register twice if you already have done so. We already have your email.

1. Instructions - If you have never done this before, here is your chance to learn:

For those of you who are unfamiliar with Zoom, you need to download the app at zoom.us. There will be no charge, as this meeting is being set up on another account. If your computer lacks the appropriate technology for Zoom, please borrow a more up-to-date computer or cell phone. We do recommend using a computer over a tablet or cell phone. It is preferred that you have a camera and microphone to attend. If that isn't possible, you can also use the chat feature within Zoom to communicate with the host and other attendees or use your phone to call into the meeting (instructions will be included in the email invitation). In advance of the meeting, you will be sent an email invitation with a link to the meeting. You will need to be admitted to the room, so we recommend that you use the link at least 5 minutes before the meeting begins. Please be patient if you are waiting a few minutes.

When you are admitted to the meeting, you will see some icons at the bottom left of the screen. Please press the audio and the video icons to be seen and heard. We recommend using the “Gallery” view so you can see multiple attendees. This is usually available easier in the desktop version of the application. You will see people! Once the meeting begins, the meeting host will mute the microphones of those not speaking. We will have some free time at the end for informal conversation. We will not be running any breakout rooms for this event, but we can discuss if and how these might be possible in future. In the meantime, you can organize them amongst yourselves now that you will have met again. If at any time during the meeting you have any challenges, please message one of the hosts, who are identified with “(Host)” next to their name in the Participants channel. If you have any accessibility challenges, please do not hesitate to contact us at redandblack@malverncollegiate.com and we will do our best to accommodate.

2. Call for Nominations

The Malvern Red and Black Society is calling for nominations for the vacant position of Vice-President. This vacancy was caused by the death of our loyal Malvernite, Evan J. Butchers. Please send any nominations or self-nominate by email to redandblack@malverncollegiate.com. Please include a brief bio and statement of your interest. Thank you.

3. Call for Volunteers

We are always interested in finding volunteers to help with the many tasks that the MRBS undertakes. Right now, the 1970s Malvernites are the most active, but the 1950s and 60s are still hanging in there. Now we need Decade Reps. for the 1980s and 1990s. Please read the following description of our activities below to see where you might make a contribution and contact us by email if you wish to be appointed. Thank you.

New Malvern Principal Sandy Kaskens publishes Monthly Newsletter

Now we are including a copy of the article we wrote for the Malvern Principal's October *Newsletter* outlining our activities in support of the school since our founding in 2004. We hope you enjoy it. If you wish to find out what else is happening at Malvern in 2020, we are pleased to provide this link to the entire contents of the October 2020 Newsletter at <http://schools.tdsb.on.ca/malvern/parents/newsletters/Oct2020.pdf>. If you are looking on the school's website, click on **Parents** and then **Newsletters**.

The Malvern Red and Black Society's Role at Malvern **By Vandra Masemann**

On behalf of the Malvern Red and Black Society and its President, Sandra Burk, we would like to welcome all the students and their parents to Malvern. We would also like

to welcome our new Principal, Sandy Kaskens, who will be joining a long line of illustrious Malvern Principals. We wish all of you a good year under these unusual conditions.

We realize that this year is not a normal year where we meet each other in the halls, so we need to introduce various aspects of Malvern life via this newsletter. This piece will serve as a brief introduction to the role of Malvern alumni/alumnae in the life of the school in the last 20 years since we began to plan the Centennial Reunion. Malvern grads have been supportive of the school for many decades before the MRBS was founded, and attended events in 1953, 1963, 1978, and 1987.

Malvern CI was founded in 1903. It was at that time in the Town of East Toronto, which was annexed by the City of Toronto in 1908. The Malvern Red and Black Society is an alumni association founded in 2004 which is the custodian of the Malvern Archives which contains the school's history since 1903. The Archives contain all the Commencement programmes since 1907, all the *Malvern Muses* since 1924, and numerous documents, artifacts and photos from the years of the school's history. They also contain vintage sports uniforms and photographs, and Malvern Band and Drama archives. We also maintain a database of Malvern veterans and regularly publish stories about their service and sacrifice, some of which have appeared in the *Beach Metro News*. We have over 6000 items which are in the process of being digitized. We are the first high school in Toronto to have catalogued our collection to the point of having it digitized on museum-quality software by the TDSB.

The membership of the MRBS consists of past students of any age, staff and teachers, and any interested community members. Our website may be found at www.malverncollegiate.com, and on Facebook at [MRBS - Malvern Red and Black Society](#). There are no membership fees, but members may register on our website to be on our database for email and snail mail contact. As an unfunded voluntary organization, we welcome financial donations.

Our main goal is "Keeping Malvernites in Touch". To this end, we send out a twice-yearly newsletter, the *Musings*. We also answer inquiries from past students about family members who attended Malvern or events that they wish to trace. We raise money to support the school for items that the Ministry of Education does not fund. Some examples of projects we have undertaken are the renovation of the Malvern Cenotaph in 2011, saving the school pool along with the wider Malvern community, supporting the purchase of fitness equipment, repairing all the Malvern Band uniforms, planting and maintaining the north and south gardens in front of the school, and providing research and support for Remembrance Day ceremonies. We also present two MRBS Awards each year at Commencement to the students who best exemplify the Malvern spirit.

We have held several successful Reunions, notably in 2003 and 2013, for which we also published books of Malvern's history, entitled *The Malvern Centennial Book* and *Malvern CI at 110*. They will be available for \$10 each whenever we can get back into the school. We also invited all Malvernites from the 30s and 40s decades to spend a day at Malvern in 2008, with a band concert and catered lunch and school tours conducted by students. We presented Malvernites who had left school early to serve in WWII with honorary high school diplomas. Many smaller groups of Malvernites have had reunions during the last two decades, and earlier.

When the covid-19 crisis is over, and we are all able to meet again, we will welcome you into our Archives Room. Interested visitors can make an appointment to see us at our twice monthly Archives Days, or send general inquiries via email at redandblack@malverncollegiate.com. If you have any general questions that we can answer, please feel free to email us even during the pandemic period. I am also willing to provide a talk at a Malvern Parent Council meeting in the future. We hope to launch a fund-raising campaign to restore the Cenotaph for its 100th birthday in 2022.

This photo shows some of our items: the “Big Book” of photos of Malvernites who served in WWII, the Football and Doll from the 1938 championship of the Senior Football Team, and on the extreme left, collected biographies of Malvern teachers from 1903 to 1978.



Source: Malvern Archives. Photo by Donna Halliday

IN MEMORIAM

We note with sadness the passing of the following fellow and past Malvernites. Our sincere condolences go out to all of their families and friends.

This extensive list is comprised of obituaries posted on Facebook, in newspapers, online and from the updating of the MRBS Members' database. It is alphabetical by surnames. Maiden names are in brackets. Grad years or years at MCI are in the middle, year of death is in the last column.

Isabel Abbott (Motton)	MCI 1949	d2020
Margaret Abrams	MCI 1941	d2013
Marjorie Addison (Fessenden)	MCI 1940	d2018
Roderick (Rod) Armstrong	MCI 1965	d2020
G. Thornton Bailey	MCI 1948	d2020
Eileen Barr (Johnston)	MCI 1955	d2018
Peter Barr	MCI 1955	d2020
Muriel Best (Jackson)	MCI 1943	d2017
Michael Gerard (Gerry) Bradshaw	MCI 1970s	d2020
Elisabeth (Betty) Bridgman (Toy)	MCI 1959	d2019
Beverly Bristow (Fletcher)	MCI 1958	d2016
Allan Brown	MCI 1941	d2019
Richard Brown	MCI 1953	d2019
Joan A. Burk (Stewart)	MCI 1940s-50s	d2000
Kenneth C. Burk	MCI1940s	d2013
Gary (Garth) Cameron	MCI 1952	d2011
Bill Carr	MCI 1940	d2015
Doreen Carter (Abbott)	MCI 1947	d2018
Dr. Stephen Cartan	MCI 1950-60s	d2020
Garner Charles	MCI 1944	d2015
Rocky Chreptyk	MCI 1963	d pre2009
Kathleen Clark (Marr)	MCI 1958	d2017
Vincent Conroy	MCI 1956	d2016
Ron Cresswell	MCI 1953	d2015
Peter Davis	MCI 1950-69?	d2019
Karen Dawes (Whately)	MCI 1962	d2017
Wray Downes	MCI 1948-53	d2020
Lloyd Dunstall	MCI 1944	d2019
Hilda E. Dymott (Business and Law)	MCI 56-92	d2020
David E. Ferguson	MCI 1949	d2017
Eileen Finlayson (Campbell)	MCI 1945	d2019
Lynne Franklin (Elliott)	MCI 1961	d2013
Richard M. Gibson	MCI 1936	d2011
Brian Glennie	MCI 1960s	d2020
Patricia Grant (Parker)	MCI 1956	d2020
Joan Gregoire (Morrow)	MCI 1958	d2015
Bradley Guest	MCI 1951	d2016
Gowan Guest	MCI 1946	d2016
Alice Hall (Muller)	MCI 1939	d2003

Dorothy J. Halvorsen (Whitmore)	MCI 1947	d2019
Rebel Hardy (Daniels)	MCI 1964	d2018
David (Dave) Hutchinson	MCI 1970s	d2019
Nancy Jagminas (Sparks)	MCI 1970s	d2019
Miriam Jarvis (Morgan)	MCI 1948	d2005
Rita Johnston (Stevens)	MCI 1939	d2012
Shirley Jones (Richards)	MCI 1951	d2020
Lorna Kay (Wright)	MCI 1947	d2016
Yvonne Kerr (Robson)	MCI 1942	d2002
Anne Kingston	MCI 1970s	d2020
Gus Konstantopoulos	MCI 1970/80s	d1987
Margaret Kukurugya (Zeidman)	MCI 1947	d2020
Warren Labbett	MCI 1928	d2009
Jane Lackner(Boxall)	MCI 1955	d2014
Terrance (Terry) Lang	MCI 1970s	d2020
Uwe Lynen	MCI 1960	d2019
Joseph (Joe) Marino	MCI 1970s	d2020
Alex Martin	MCI 1949	d2017
George McRae (Music)	MCI 1949-87	d2020
Ann Neville (Walters)	MCI 1952	d2014
Doug Neville	MCI 1951	d2020
Jacquelyn Penberthy (Southgate)	MCI 1949	d2016
Lorraine Pennock (Doyle)	MCI 1955	d2014
Doug Pezzack	MCI 1957	d2020
Cheryl Phillips (Ruiz)	MCI 1973	d2019
Loraine Rowan (Sewell)	MCI 1955	d2013
Ian Scott	MCI 1955	d2020
Joan Sinclair (Armstrong)	MCI 1943	d2020
Daniel (Dan) Slater	MCI 1974	d2019
Mary Spratt (Boothe)	MCI 1948	d2018
Derek Tarlton	MCI 1948	d2005
Kathleen Tarlton (Finn)	MCI 1948	d2009
Bob Torrance	MCI 1956	d2015
Jack Vickery	MCI 1945	d2018
Tom Wheler	MCI 1938	d2018
Don Wilding	MCI 1952	d2010
Bette Witham (Colville)	MCI 1942	d2020
William (Bill) Witham	MCI 1943	d2020

May they Rest in Peace



Remembrance Day

November 11, 2020

We also pay our respects this year to the Malvernites who served and died in the two World Wars and in Korea. And to all those who served and died in various conflicts and peace-keeping operations around the world.



Source: Malvern Archives. Photo by Donna Halliday

The Malvern Marching Band playing at one of the Red and Black Days

Please update your information on the Registration form here. Thank you.

Onward Malvern Foundation - Malvern Red and Black Society Donation/Registration Form

Express Consent to Receive OMF/MRBS emails and Permission to Post My Name on the OMF/MRBS Public Members' List

YES, I _____ (maiden name) _____ Class _____ or teacher/staff /other _____ give my express consent for the OMF/Malvern Red and Black Society to add my name to the database for emails or snail mails and to include my name and class year/teacher status/other status only, on the OMF/MRBS website members' list. No other personal information will be divulged, without obtaining my further permission. All personal information will be subject to the OMF/MRBS Privacy policy. If I am replying by email, I permit the OMF/MRBS to use this email as legal proof of my giving permission.

Member's Express Consent for Receiving Mailings

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

However, you may opt out of having your name on the OMF/MRBS website by signing here:

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Canada's anti-spam legislation is now in effect, and under it, the OMF/MRBS requires your express consent to send you electronic communications, which you give by signing. Without it, we cannot add your name to our email database or to our website Members' List. Thank you.

Financial Donations and Musings Subscriptions

a. If you want a tax receipt, please make out your cheque to the OMF, and put the intended use or beneficiary on the memo line, e.g. MRBS, *Musings* Subscription, or Music, Athletics, Greatest Need, etc. and specify the amounts if there are several uses. **You can also donate online via the Canada Helps website at www.canadahelps.org.**

b. If you do not need a tax receipt, then feel free to make out cheques directly to the MRBS with the intended use on the memo line.

c. In all cases, please mail the cheque to the OMF/MRBS at 55 Malvern Avenue, Toronto M4E 3E4.

Please enclose a note with your donation, stating your preference:

Yes, I give my permission for the OMF/MRBS to post my name on its website, in acknowledgement of my donation.

No, I wish to keep my donation confidential.

New Members' Registration Form

Please include all information requested and email to redandblack@malverncollegiate.com or mail to the M.C.I. address above. Email is greatly encouraged, to reduce our mailing costs. OR you may register on our MRBS website at www.malverncollegiate.com.

First Name:

Last Name:

Maiden Name:

Class Year:

Are/were you a teacher at Malvern? Yes No

Other Status (e.g. parent, staff):

Mailing Address (with postal/zip code):

Province /State & Country:

Email Address:

Phone number (with area code)

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