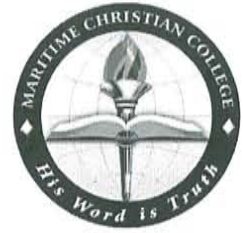


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*Celebrating 50 Years 1960-2010*

## Message From The President



*“...honour two very special servants...”*

In February I had the privilege of joining several other Presidents for a Presidents' Retreat in Louisville, Kentucky with Bob Russell who is the former minister of Southeast Christian Church.



Bob shared with us biblical teaching while Dr. Mohler, President of Southern Baptist Seminary and Dr. Ramsey, President of

University of Louisville lectured on trends facing Restoration Movement universities and colleges.

Jack Hillerich, owner of Louisville Slugger, spoke on the importance of team focus groups while Elizabeth Jefferies facilitated a behavior assessment for all of us. I appreciated the results for I discovered it really revealed my personality. Overall I was stuffed. There were no other words to describe what I would call a feast of teaching.

Since January we have sent out information about our FRIENDS Program. New FRIENDS are crucial to the well being of the College. Fifteen new FRIENDS have committed to give monthly while eleven FRIENDS increased their support. The College only needs 135 more new FRIENDS pledging \$50 per month in order to reach our goal. The Lord has blessed us in many ways and it is time to bless others through our giving.

As the College celebrates its fiftieth year it is time for the fifth decade book to be published, updating the many years of ministry preparation occurring at MCC. Numerous students will have an opportunity to see their photos and enjoy reminiscing.

I'm excited about this year's graduation because the College is going to honour two very special servants: Vida Cass and Merle Zimmerman for their significant contributions to the church. As part of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration we are conferring these two honorary degrees along with our regular graduates. Grant MacDonald (Minister at Keele Street Christian Church) will speak on *Your Word Is Truth*.



**Fred C. Osborne**

**D**avid Marshall, Associate Minister at Central Christian Church, and Winfred Bridges have a brief jam session during John Cassetto's morning lecture.

John Cassetto, Manchester Christian Church, was one of three guest speakers invited to the K.T. Norris Lectureship in January during the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Maritime Christian College. *"Traditionally we invite one speaker for the Lectures, but this year is different,"* said President Fred Osborne. *"We wanted to commemorate this 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with something special. Nothing ventured, nothing gained. If you step out on faith it's the only possibility to produce results."*

Dr. David Roadcup, Cincinnati Christian University, led the morning sessions on *Spiritual Formation* at Cornwall Christian Church while Dr. Rich Knopp, Lincoln Christian Seminary, spoke on *Christian Worldview* at Sherwood Church of Christ. John & Stefanie Cassetto led their workshop at Central Christian Church on *Christian Worship*.

The participants were surprised by the caliber of the lecturers. For instance, Carolyn Crockett happened to attend the Cassetto Christian Worship lecture the first day and ended up staying for the whole week. *"I was surprised with what we learned about worship,"* said Carolyn Crockett. *"Worship isn't just gathering or serving on Sunday morning, it is our whole relationship with our Lord and Saviour. Both John & Stefanie were extremely knowledgeable. It was a very emotional workshop which I didn't expect and made me really think about how I worship the Lord and what the Lord expects of us."*



*"The different venues created a comundrum for some of our attendees,"* said Professor Tom Marshall. *"Some of the husbands wanted to attend Dr. Knopp's lecture while their wives wanted to attend Dr. Roadcup's. But in the end they sorted it out and I think everyone had a wonderful time."*

On the one hand because of the unique structure of the Lectures this year, costs increased by 97% to have three speakers over against one speaker. On the other hand the unique structure brought in 68% more income. *"It was great to see more giving, but it didn't totally cover our cost, we were short \$5,600,"* said Fred Osborne. *"It would be great to have three lecturers again, but it's not feasible unless giving increases."*

## Triple the Fun



*"Nothing ventured,  
nothing gained."*

# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet



The audience laughed over tea and coffee during remarks given by Stewart Lewis (President 1980-1996) at the banquet held at The Charlottetown Hotel to kick off Maritime Christian College's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Alumni and College supporters enjoyed a buffet dinner with President Osborne and former College Presidents Stewart Lewis and Merle Zimmerman. Mayor Clifford Lee and Holland College President Brian MacMillan were also present. Guest lecturers John Cassetto, Dr. Richard Knopp, Dr. David Roadcup and his wife Karen rounded out the honoured guests.



Merle Zimmerman (President 1996-2000) shared challenges faced by the School during its incorporation in 1960.



Charles P. Herndon was appointed the first President and served six months. Kenneth T. Norris followed Mr. Herndon as President and served twenty years.



Dinner attendees had an opportunity to enjoy a large buffet meal and visit with old friends. *"It was a great evening of history, laughter, memories and wisdom imparted by the two past presidents and the current president,"* said Paul Stevenson. *"It was a night to... consider the challenge that we look to the future of MCC and the Maritime churches."*

## Luncheon Date

Ninety lecture attendees enjoyed a luncheon with the speakers on Friday during the lecture week. Participants were given an opportunity to ask questions and receive feedback from John & Stefanie Cassetto, Dr. Rich Knopp and Dr. David and Karen Roadcup about church related issues.



The lunch was a College fundraiser for the New England Church Tour in April. Eileen Tanner, Christian Education Resource Director, organized the lunch with the College students serving.

## Trivia Matters

Nine members of the Green Team pose with Brenton Dickieson, Adjunct Faculty and trivia emcee, to receive their medals following intense competition at the Alumni Dinner.



Chris Darrach wrote the trivia questions for the *MCC Scene It 50<sup>th</sup> Edition* using photos, karaoke, video and audio clips. Mari Lynn Darrach organized the meal for over eighty attendees.



## English Language Pilot Project Soars



**D**ouglas Huh and James Kwon pause in their studies long enough to get their picture taken during English as an Additional Language class. President Fred Osborne and Eileen

Tanner, Christian Education Resource Director, have dedicated Tuesday and Thursday evenings to teach English as an Additional Language for twelve weeks.

*"It's a great opportunity for cultural exchange,"* said Fred. *"Everyone learns about each other. You see the Christian sincerity in their belief and how it is not separate from their conversation but is a natural part of their life."*

The two classes use the story of Joseph as a method for learning English grammar and to practice their English skills. *"The textbook is wonderful,"* said Vanessa Lee from Taiwan. *"As you learn more about the story, you learn grammar."*

Currently there are 12-16 students enrolled from four countries: China, South Korea, Iran and Taiwan.

*"It has been an answer to my dream, to study the Bible in English,"* said Peter Lee from Seoul, Korea.



Several volunteers: Linda Nicholson, Meda Osborne, Valerie Osborne, Jeremy Outhouse, Ted Rayner, Robbie Sevilla, Carolyn Steeves, Kathleen Wells and Tayte Willows assisted with conversation. *"There is a lot of talking time with each other,"* said James Kwon from Korea. *"It is very helpful to my believer's life."*

*"I haven't had the opportunity to go overseas as a missionary,"* said Kathleen. *"So it's a great opportunity to interact with international students."*

*"We use all types of methods for teaching like discussion groups, bananagrams and eye spy games,"* said Eileen. *"There is always good discussion in class, different cultures are learning to accept and appreciate each other."*

## Spencer Cup in Alumni Hands Again



**T**he famed Spencer Cup was up for grabs since the MCC Hammers' victory last year over the Alumni. Greg Nicholson and his Alumni Team dominated the game in two matches. *"There were many aces and few digs,"* commented one spectator.



Jason McVicar, Director of Admissions, congratulates the Alumni Team with the Spencer Cup.

*"Everybody had a great time,"* said Greg Nicholson. *"David Rancourt (of the Alumni) didn't hurt anybody with one of his thunderous hits."*

## Fun in the Snow



Jason McVicar, Director of Admissions, travelled with Robbie Sevilla, a fourth year student, to Shelburne, Ontario to attend Ontario Christian Assembly, Inc. for their annual Winter Rally.

*"Robbie and I both had a message and promotional time for the College," said Jason. "There were twenty some kids there, the perfect age for recruitment, and there was a really good reception."*

## Leaders Meet in L'Etete



Elders, preachers, and men from New Brunswick churches met in L'Etete for the annual Men's Retreat February 6, 2010. Robbie Sevilla, a fourth year student at Maritime Christian College and Tom Marshall, Academic Professor, were the keynote speakers.

*"It was a great experience to go to L'Etete," said Robbie Sevilla. "It was encouraging to see leaders in the churches there together, worship together, and learn together about the Gospel of Christ."*



*"Giles Mullen and everybody at L'Etete Church of Christ make all the men feel right at home," said Tom Marshall. "The chowder was excellent and the desserts went fast. This is the type of fellowship men enjoy."*

## Whom Will I Worship?

In January Eileen Tanner, Christian Education Resource Director, and Dale Eynon, Adjunct Professor, led a workshop on Spiritual Formation at Murray Harbour Church of Christ. Approximately twenty-two people were present.

*"It was an excellent start to a New Year as we try to plan our habits for the coming year," said Eileen. "We explored two important questions: What will I learn (personal values)? and Whom will I worship?"*



## Professors in Harbour

Alan Beck, Adjunct Professor, and Tom Marshall, Academic Professor, spoke at Murray Harbour Church of Christ's March meetings.



Alan spoke in the evenings on the topic of *Heaven* while Tom shared from the book of *Ephesians* in the mornings.



*"The morning sessions were excellent and we had a great turnout," said Donna Herring. "The evenings were good. I enjoyed the meetings. Great uplift."*

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# Alumnus Ordained in Ministry

**Randy Thurlow ('06)**, Minister at O'Leary and Greenmount Churches of Christ, was ordained into the Christian Ministry January 24, 2010 at Garnett Settlement Christian Church, NB. Randy also joined the MCC Board in the same month.



Wayne Watson, Dennis Landry, Randy Thurlow, Ron Cook, Paul Stewart

## In Loving Memory December 12, 2009 – April 15, 2010

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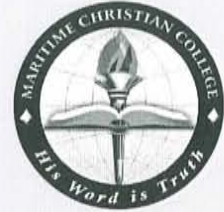
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