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In 1965, the Ottawa Rough Riders announced the signing of Queen's University football draft choice, S/Lt Andrew Shaw RCNR, an award winning UNTD graduate. The 22 year old Shaw, at 6 feet 4 inches and 250 pounds, pictured on the left training at HMCS Cornwallis, went on to play professionally under Ottawa coach Frank Clair and quarterback Russ Jackson. A graduate in English, Politics and Economics, Andy had a 20-year career as a globe-trotting sports journalist and broadcaster covering six Olympic Games. Now as UNTD Association vice president, Andy organized a very successful Toronto Harbour dinner cruise in 2010 expanding to bigger things this fall. Beginning October 22, Andy will lead a 70-person UNTD cruise group to Britain on the Queen Mary 2 and a week's stay in London's Victoria Services Club. For more on the Cover Story, see page 2.

UNTD Cruise to Britain+

October 22 to November 4, 2011



Our grand trip started with nothing grander than a casual conversation with **Bob Duncombe (UNTD '55-'58 UBC, Discovery)** about 18 years ago in Halifax, which began with: “Wouldn’t it be **fun** to have our annual UNTD Association Mess Dinner one time in London ... England, that is?”

Telling that the word “fun” came before the more formal “Mess Dinner” in the question; the quintessential UNTD order of priorities it seems on reflection now.

And indeed those priorities have prevailed in the planning of “The UNTD Cruise to Britain+”. Sailing aboard the bigger-than-a battleship-sized yet luxurious Queen Mary 2 (QM2) out of New York speaks to the fun - especially for those of us who never did get that trans-Atlantic summer time frigate squadron cruise under their sea legs.

The “+” speaks to the more fun we plan for our stay in London at the Victory Services Club (VSC), including that long ago conceived, wind-up **Mess Dinner at the VSC on November 3**. But the plus sign also adds what we hope will be some serious investigation into how the Brits have managed to keep their version of the UNTD **thriving on 14 British university campuses**, not to mention aboard the fast patrol boats *each* University Royal Navy Unit (URNU) is assigned for training.

What we find out we’ll use to support the recently re-ignited drive to return on-campus reserve military training to Canadian universities, which re-appeared for the first time in 42 years as a pilot project at the University of Alberta campus in Edmonton.

Some highlights of our trip at the outset include a **welcoming reception at the Yale Club in New York City** the night before we slip and proceed on the QM2. Then the next day a sail-past of the Statue of Liberty before heading into open waters. At sea for seven nights, we’ll dance and dine our way for fun across The Pond, including a **private “Dine the Partners” dinner**. But in true UNTD style we’ll also strike the serious notes of **scattering ex-UNTD Gil Hutton’s ashes** to the winds and the deep;

screen the **memorable film, “The Cruel Sea”, in the QM2’s theatre** reminding us of those who sacrificed before us; and finalize plans for our reconnaissance missions to Oxford and other universities.

We now number 70 people going on this grand trip, but we could probably smuggle a few more aboard. Just let me know if you’d like to sign on. **It will be fun, and then some.**

Cover photo Cornwallis Ensign Newsletter 1965

Andy Shaw (UNTD '61-'64, Queen’s, Catarauqui)
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UNTD cadets from Cruise Alpha enjoying lunch at an English pub in southern England 1964. It was the last year for trans Atlantic cruises. White Twist photo

President's Corner

The UNTD Association is not the only one experiencing the downside of advancing age. This summer, at its AGM in Niagara-on-the-Lake, the Naval Officers Association of Canada, in reflecting on its two decade long increasing drop in numbers, realized, at the current rate, it will have no one left in 10 years. Their response was to approve a change of name to "The Naval Association of Canada" and to open membership to anyone willing to support their mission. Individual branches are now considering those changes. As UNTD's - our youngest graduates (class of '68) are now in their 50's, and our median age is 74. But thanks to the web, and the amazing efforts of our archivist Bill Clearihue, our Contact List is actually growing. Thus, more stories of Untidy hijinks and accomplishments are appearing. If you haven't done so recently, check out our "Chat" page at www.untid.org Anyone can post a story or a comment on the UNTD Bumph - Open discussion. Send your stories in, before it's too late.

Bill Thomas

HMCS SACKVILLE HOSTS THE QUEEN

Bob Middlemiss U-823

Ever since reading in the 2010 Fall Newsletter about the Queen's Sackville plaque unveiling for the 100th Anniversary of the Canadian Navy and the UNTD reception aboard HMCS Sackville, navy memories have echoed and re-echoed. I'd like to share them with my former UNTD colleagues.



Her Majesty the Queen enjoying her visit to HMCS SACKVILLE for the navy centennial.

In Montreal about 1957, just before joining the UNTD, I was working in Vicker's Shipyard. My assignment was to be a journeyman's helper while he worked on one of the great lock gates for the new St. Lawrence Seaway. The noon whistle blew, I washed up, leaving my hands red and raw from industrial powdered soap, grabbed my lunch bag containing a hefty meatloaf sandwich, a pint of milk and an orange, and headed out of Engine Shop #3 and into the balmy summer day.

I remember looking about the dock basin and the slips, noting the pageant of ships being repaired or built. This day, a Maersk cargo ship was in dry dock, workers cleaning her bottom and checking plates for damage, all under the watchful eye of the Lloyds of London Marine Insurance representative. In a nearby slip was a dry ore carrier about to be launched. I had tried to get on board for her going down the slip, but the marine superintendent rejected it as too dangerous for a marine engineer trainee. Ahead of me, where I liked to find a quiet spot and eat my lunch, were the Destroyer Escorts, Ottawa and Restigouche. Ottawa was ready for sea trials before commissioning.

Then, to my surprise, I spotted a newcomer. Brazenly bow to bows with the DEs was a corvette, shorn of her armament and looking the worse for

wear. She looked old and beaten down. But to my romantic eye, it was as if she were challenging the DEs and seemed to be saying, "I've seen and done more than you will ever do!" That was my introduction to HMCS Sackville.

To board Sackville, I went down a ramp and settled on her quarterdeck to eat my lunch. A worker told me she was being converted to a Department of Fisheries vessel. I thought of what I knew about corvettes. There was Nicholas Monsarratt's *The Cruel Sea*, of course. I had read it several times, noting the torpedo hitting HMS Compass Rose in her bow after she had steamed in war over 98,000 nautical miles. As a marine engineer destined for engine or boiler rooms, I shuddered at that outcome. I finished my orange, resolved to go down into Sackville's engine room, threw my wadded up lunch bag into a waste drum and headed back to Engine Shop #3.

Later I would read *The Far Distant Ships*, the seminal record of His Majesty's Canadian Ships, and note Sackville's participation in a night action, complete with flares, and the sinking of a U-boat.

Around 1965 I was trying to flag down a taxi on a dismal night in Toronto. Finally, a taxi darts toward me and stops. The interior light comes on. The passenger's transaction is completed, and a man steps quickly into the night, brushing by me. I hopped gratefully into the back seat.

"You know who that was?" the taxi driver asked.

"No," I said.

"Nicholas Monsarratt, the guy who wrote *The Cruel Sea*. Nice guy. We had a great talk."

The interior light went out, the taxi merged with traffic, and I was left with my thoughts of Sackville plying her innocent trade with the Department of Fisheries. - "I've seen and done more than you will ever do!" And Monsarratt, slipping by me in the dark; author of his trilogy, *Three Corvettes*, lightly fictionalized episodes from his WWII career in corvettes.

All of this stays with me: the timeless movement of veteran ships in the shipyard, each carrying its stories, or being readied to create new ones. And then the UNTD Newsletter; the reprise of Sackville now a Canadian Naval Memorial.

So many echoes, so many years.



REMEMBERING FRASER

Bill Clearihue UNTD 1965 - 1968

No I am not referring to my 1st year UNTD South Block room-mate Bruce Fraser, nor to Simon Fraser, or his namesake River or University, but to the river's namesake, the St Laurent Class Destroyer, HMCS FRASER (2nd of Name) DDE/DDH 233. She was built at Burrard in North Vancouver and Yarrows in Esquimalt - laid down in 1951, commissioned in 1957, served out of MARPAC until 1965 as DDE, then converted to DDH at Montreal in 1966, then served out of MARLANT until decommissioning at Halifax in 1994.

In the summer of 1968 I found myself living in the luxurious surroundings of the STAD Wardroom in Halifax as one of 15 UNTD A-Slants taking the Communication Alpha course. The Course Officer was Ron Rompkey, known to be the younger brother of Ex UNTD Senator Bill Rompkey.

There were many nice features at STAD, not the least being the beer machine, just down the hall from my room. Living in the wardroom or even Required on Board for a weekend was not a hardship, to say the least.

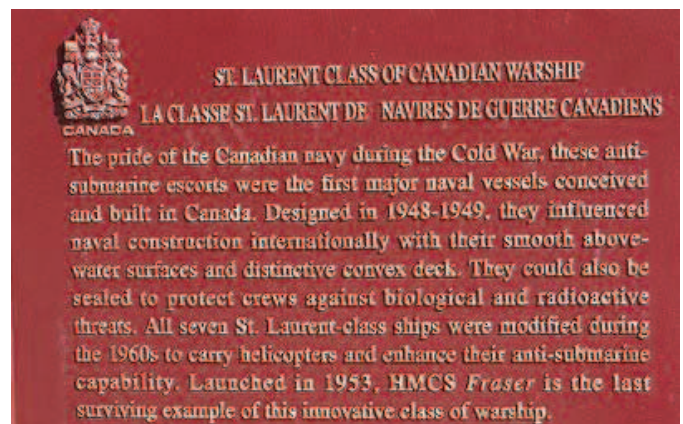
We were in 2-man cabins, which in my case, meant a revolving door of non-UNTD room-mates over the summer as itinerant Reg. Force SLTs moved in and out of STAD. One such case was a SLT fresh off a Weapons Course, waiting to join FRASER. I dearly wish I could remember his name so I could see what became of him. He was a native small town Maritimer with a distinct 'hard R' twang and was very keen to get on with his career, but was not I

would say, ultra-Pusser, although he did have seawater running through his veins. His favourite expression was the piratical 'HARRR', which was fittingly accompanied by a full dark beard.

As he had not much to do whilst awaiting the arrival of FRASER, he did hang out with the UNTD contingent, all big-city boys from across the country; where he was appropriately assigned the nickname 'HARRR', which I'll hazard a guess everyone will remember.

At some point, FRASER arrived at Yarmouth, and 'HARRR' convinced me to go there for a weekend outing to get a "sneak-peek" at his ship. We did just that and camped out in a motel room somewhat reminiscent of our STAD cabin, even down to the beer machine and sea mist. The harbour was crowded and noisy, but through the foggy-mist 'HARRR' was able to deduce ship movements by the tone and duration of the fog-horn blasts, even while in our room, ... an impressive display of landlocked seamanship-by-proxy. Shortly after getting back to STAD, FRASER arrived and 'HARRR' joined ship and that was the last I saw or heard of either again.

In 1997, after 3 years in mothballs, FRASER was "bought" for \$1 and moved to Bridgewater, NS with the intent of being turned into a Museum Ship.



Plaque at the FRASER quasi-museum site in Bridgewater. Photo David Haley

These observations were made by visitors to the site. "When I visited Bridgewater in 2007, I was dismayed to see the condition of a grand lady of the sea. She lies rusting away forgotten at dockside on the river. Although saddened, I stood quietly dockside and recalled many wonderful ports and shipmates during my years in her. I hope they turn FRASER, **last of her kind**, in to a museum for future

generations to enjoy.” Could that last comment have come from "HARRR" ?



HMCS FRASER at the riverside quay in Bridgewater.

Photo David Haley

The museum did not pan out due to multiple problems, so in July 2010 DND was forced to repossess FRASER and she was towed back to Halifax. After some 11th-hour legal heroics failed, DND paid \$700,000 to tow FRASER out of Halifax on September 6, 2010 en-route to the wreckers at Port Colborne, on Lake Erie, at the south end of the Welland Canal.

There is a great viewing point set up at Lock 3 of the Welland Canal in St Catharines and I went there when FRASER was passing through to have another "sneak-peek" at FRASER; the last after 42 years !

SOURCE OF A UNTD MYTH

Editor, Robert Williamson U 121

According to local legend, and a tale oft told around the wardroom bar or at mess dinners, when the Naval Training Plan at Universities was introduced in 1943, it was to be called the **Canadian University Naval Training Service**. However, when the name was reduced to the acronym, C.U.N.T.S., it proved to be inappropriate. This delightfully ribald tale seems to have its origins in a letter from Captain Brock (CORD).

A study of Captain Baker's letters and papers, shows that he was asked to form an experimental division of University Naval Training at Ontario Agricultural College (OAC) attached to HMCS STAR for the school term beginning in September 1942. It is important to understand that the word "**division**" was used for all training establishments. By December 1942, Baker was asked to present his **University Naval Training Plan (UNTP)** to Naval Headquarters. In his proposal he argues that Naval Training Units be established at universities under a UNTP to secure large numbers of good men who will otherwise enter the army's **COTC Canadian Officers Training Corps** or the air force's **University Air Training Plan (UATP)**. On January 16, 1943, Captain Baker received the following reply from J. Macdonald, Secretary, Naval Board:

*"I am directed to inform you that your memorandum on the **University Naval Training Plan (UNTP)** has been referred to the Naval Service headquarters and the scheme which you propose therein has received favourable consideration by the Naval Board".*

In February 1943, Professor Baker, as father of the University Naval Training concept, was brought into the RCNVR as an Acting Lieutenant Commander (SB) and appointed to the position of Staff Officer University Naval Training. Under Naval Order 2854 dated 19 June, 1943, he set out across the country to establish **15 Divisions of University Naval Training** identified as UNTDs.



Professor of Entomology, Captain A. W. "Jack" Baker from the Ontario Agricultural College in Guelph, second from right, with the first commanding officer appointed to raise a UNTD contingent at McMaster University, Professor of Physics, Commander Boyd McLay (1943-1961) on the left. LCdr John Carpenter, on the right was the commanding officer of the UNTD at Ontario Agricultural College (1947-1964) replacing LCdr G. P. McRostie (1943-1946). Photo Ruth Baker Wright

However, according to Ontario Agricultural College records of Feb. 9, 1943 Captain Brock, Commanding Officer Reserve Divisions, wrote to O.A.C. offering to establish a Canadian University Naval Training Service. This appears to have been an informal descriptive phrase as opposed to a title for an as yet unnamed program. If the phrase existed, it was not repeated because the letter was followed six days later with a memorandum to all RCNVR Divisions (File RD 6.1.6 dated 15 Feb. 1943) with a notice to form the **UNTD**.

DISBANDMENT OF THE UNTD IN 1968

Bob Duncombe, UNTD '55-'58 UBC

In resolving to get to the bottom of why the university officer cadet programs ended quickly and quietly circa 1967-1968, I found an article in the Canadian Military Journal written by the eminent Canadian historian Desmond Morton about the disbandment of McGill's Canadian Officers' Training Corps (COTC) 1912-1968. The Corps was the oldest one in Canada.

<http://www.journal.forces.gc.ca/vol10/no3/07-morton-eng.asp>

"On 1 May 1968, all university-based officer training programs ceased across Canada. Lieutenant-Colonel W.E. Haviland, the last commanding officer of the McGill COTC, insisted that the decision had nothing to do with the controversial government program to unify the three armed forces, (although it did encourage a platform of economy). Nor was it due, as some contemporaries would allege, to Pierre Elliott Trudeau, whose selection as both Liberal Party leader and prime minister came a month after the decision was taken. No doubt, of course, that the decision had his assent. What is a little astonishing for a program that helped many students finance their university experience was the absence of dissent or even interest. In its last appearance in Old McGill, the graduating students' yearbook, the COTC mustered four officers, a sergeant-clerk, and only eight cadets. The McGill URTP squadron also displayed four officers and 18 cadets. The Naval Training Division did not even make an appearance.⁴²

*The **need for economy** was a major argument for unifying the three Canadian services. Coming together reminded the three formerly independent services that university-based officer training had not given great value for the money. **Staff and***

***facilities needed** to maintain scores of contingents across Canada and to provide specialized summer courses at virtually every service or branch training facility. The 1960s were a time of **student radicalism, political dissent and lack of interest** north and south of the 49th Parallel, and many American universities had disbanded their reserve officer training contingents or ROTCs to remove a target for campus militants. **The 1912 militarism which had brought the COTC to life at McGill was a faded memory.** The university had even allowed Remembrance Day to lapse until students themselves organized a service in 1994."*

EDITOR'S FOOTNOTE

On August 31, 1964, due to a **50% reduction in funding**, the Minister of Defence announced the full implementation of **Integration of University Reserve Units**. On September 9, 1964 Reserve Divisions were directed to **Reduce Strength Effective 15 October 1964**. UNTD units were to be reduced from 23 to 15. Specifically singled out were UNTD programs at several universities including: HMCS Queen Charlotte's St Dunstan University and Prince of Wales Colleges, HMCS Scotian's Acadian and St. Francis Xavier Universities, HMCS Brunswicker's Mt. Allison University, HMCS Donnacona's Sherbrooke and Bishops Universities, HMCS Star's Ontario Agricultural College and University of Western Ontario, and HMCS Tecumseh's University of Alberta in Calgary. First year recruiting was cancelled and **56** recruits had to be released.

Clearly the cause of the UNTD disbandment lays in the lap of the Canadian public and their perceived apathy for the military. The Liberal government used that sentiment to justify a 50% cut in defence spending which provided Hellyer with a springboard for his self-promoting defence policies.

ANOTHER UNTD MYTH!

Lt. Governor of Newfoundland a UNTD?

A number of people have wondered if **John C. Crosbie**, Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland, is a UNTD graduate. With the number of accomplished UNTD VIPs in Canada, it certainly is a legitimate assumption. The question of the Lieutenant Governor's UNTD connection arises because, coincidentally, there is a J.C. Crosbie listed in the UNTD cadet directories for the summer of 1951 and 1952 from Newfoundland's Memorial

University and HMCS Cabot. His home address was 35 Forest Road, St. John's Nfld.

However, His Honour J.C. Crosbie makes no mention of the navy in his autobiography, "**No Holds Barred**". He attended Queen's University from 1949 to 1953, then went to Law School at Dalhousie in Halifax. He had no need of a summer job in the navy as he appears to have worked in the family fishery business during the summer. He lists his family address as 18 Rennies Mill Road, St. John's Nfld.

Former UNTD, Art May, President of Memorial University says there was a Jack Crosbie who was/is a cousin of John. He did medicine at Dalhousie, after pre med at Memorial. Also, former UNTD, Senator Bill Rompkey recalls that "Jackie" was the older son of George Crosbie. They lived on Forest Road. This is the J.C. Crosbie listed in the UNTD directories. Editor

ORDER OF CANADA

Stephen Hugh Elliott Clarkson U-15185, UNTD 1955 - 1958 was invested as a Member of the Order of Canada in May 2011.

A Professor at the University of Toronto, Clarkson is a pre-eminent political economist and writer, focusing on the war on terror. His extensive publications include an award-winning biography of Pierre Elliott Trudeau. He lectures around the world and is known for his ability to clarify complex realities. He is a sought-after commentator on national and international affairs.

Submitted by Bob Duncombe

THE NASA CONNECTION

by Bill Clearihue U-2322

This story about Space Research is not exactly Rocket Science, but close, and most definitely UNTiDy. With ATLANTIS most recently in space and making history, by turning out the lights on the Space Shuttle program, it is interesting to contemplate the major contributions to this program of an ex-UNTD.

Edmond M Reeves (1934 - 2008)

UNTD PREVOST 1952-1956 U-62485

According to his bio, Edmond M Reeves joined NASA in 1992 and was chief of the astrophysics payloads branch on space shuttle flights and also chief scientist for NASA's space station unit. From 1993 until his retirement in 1998, he was deputy

director and later director of the Flight Systems Office, where he was responsible for planning and coordinating science operations for missions including Spacelab, commercial space programs and U.S. experiments performed on the Russian Mir space station.

Ed was born in London, Ontario, Canada, on 14 January 1934. During his undergraduate and graduate years at the University of Western Ontario [UWO], he was in the Royal Canadian Navy (Reserve) as a UNTD Cadet (1952-1956), then as Instructing Officer, HMCS Prevost (1956-1959), and Lieutenant, Royal Canadian Navy (Reserve) retired.



He received a Ph.D. in 1959 from the UWO, specializing in atomic and molecular physics. After two years of postdoctoral research in ultraviolet atomic spectroscopy at the Department of Physics, Imperial College, London, England, Ed joined the HCO Solar Satellite project, working with Leo Goldberg, Director of HCO, and pioneer in solar spectroscopy.

In 1968, Ed was appointed Senior Research Associate at Harvard College Observatory, and in 1973 he received a joint appointment as Physicist at the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory [SAO] when the CFA was initiated under George Field. During his seventeen years at the Observatory, Ed led a large and vibrant group of engineers and scientists in the Solar Satellite Project, developing a series of space missions to

explore the extreme ultraviolet emission from the sun.

In 1978, Ed joined the High Altitude Observatory in Boulder, Colorado, where he was Head of Administration and Support before moving to NASA Headquarters in 1982. There he became Director of the Flight Systems Office in the Office of Life and Microgravity Sciences and Applications, with responsibility for integrated planning and science operations for research using the Spacelab, Spacehab, and Mir missions. He led the activities for the research requirements and planning for the International Space Station and served as the Space Station Senior Scientist, the Executive Secretary of the Space Station Utilization Advisory Subcommittee, and the Executive Secretary of the Space Station Utilization Board at NASA Headquarters. He also served as NASA's representative to the international Users Operations Panel, which coordinates the utilization planning for the Station across the international partners. Ed retired from NASA in 1998.

He died August 8, 2008 of cancer at Virginia Hospital Center. He lived in Arlington County, VA.

ADVOCATE FOR DOING WHAT'S RIGHT

by Bill Clearihue U-2322

Dr. Noel Adam Buskard 1939-2011, (UNTD CARLETON 1957 U-158) LT(N)Ret'd, was known by many UNTD Cadets as a perennial CORNWALLIS Term Lieutenant and Nav Instructor, from 1962 to 1965 when he was Termie of Yukon Division. He had hoped to become a naval pilot but his eyesight disqualified him.



Term Lieutenant Buskard 1965 HMCS CORNWALLIS

He died Saturday July 16, 2011 in Vancouver, 2 days shy of his 72nd birthday. A memorial service was held at the University Centre.

A well known Physician and Clinical Professor Emeritus of UBC's Faculty of Medicine's Haematology Division, he retired in 2005 after 27 years in the department. He was often at the centre of controversy in the medical community as an advocate for doing what's right. He was opposed to the Canadian Red Cross handling of the HIV and hepatitis tragedy. In 1998 he was named clinician of the year by the Medical Undergraduate Society.



Dr. Noel Buskard 2005 UBC Faculty of Medicine

THE UNTD and TEXACO

by Bill Clearihue

"YOU CAN TRUST YOUR CAR TO THE MAN WHO WEARS THE STAR, THE GREAT BIG TEXACO STAR !"
The man with the biggest star was an UNTiDy.

Hard to believe it has been 22 years since the Texaco logo graced neighbourhood gas stations in Canada. The Oil Crisis of the 1970s in the US, followed by legal problems in the '80s had Texaco selling assets, including Texaco Canada, which they sold to Imperial Oil in 1989.

The Chief Operating Officer of Texaco Canada, who orchestrated that move, soon retired after 37 years with the Company. That was George Howard Agnew who joined Texaco soon after getting his B.Eng from the University of Manitoba.

But prior to all that, he was **G. Howard Agnew UNTD CHIPPAWA 1953 U-1308**. He Crossed the Bar on July 15, 2008 in Calgary, at the age of 76.

ANOTHER UNTD LUMINARY

by Bill Clearihue U-2322

It has always been the contention of this newsletter that the UNTD program produced many outstanding Canadians despite the navy's insistent complaint that it was not a good investment. However a recent obituary notice has disclosed that **one of Canada's greatest businessmen was a UNTD graduate.** McCain Foods co-founder Wallace McCain crossed the bar on Friday night, May 13, 2011, age 81 in Toronto. He had been fighting pancreatic cancer for 14 months.

He was a man of many accomplishments, but before he was any of those things, he was an **UNTiDy, SCOTIAN 1949-1951 U-48528**, while attending **Mount Allison University** in Sackville.

According to the Canadian Press, Wallace McCain turned a small New Brunswick french fry plant into the McCain Foods multibillion-dollar frozen foods empire and later went on to control meat processor Maple Leaf Foods. Former prime minister Paul Martin stated that while McCain should be praised as a great Canadian business man, he should be remembered for his compassion and his generosity to so many causes dedicated to improving the lives of many Canadians

Wallace McCain and his older brother Harrison founded the New Brunswick-based McCain Foods Ltd. in 1956, building it into one of the globe's largest frozen food companies which now operates in 44 countries and produces more frozen french fries than any other company in the world. The two were following in the steps of their father, who owned a seed potato exporting business in their hometown of Florenceville, N.B. With consumers craving the convenience of prepared foods, the company expanded into frozen pizza, vegetables, juice and fish processing.

Wallace parted company with his brother and moved to Toronto. In 1995, he became an Officer of the Order of Canada. That same year he and the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan bought Toronto-based Maple Leaf Foods. That company grew to more than 21,000 employees under his supervision, increasing his status as one of the richest people in the world. Last year, Forbes Magazine listed Wallace McCain as No. 421 on its annual list of richest billionaires worldwide, giving him a **personal net worth of \$2.3 billion.**

UNTD NEWS FROM VANCOUVER

Starshell Spring Edition 2011

The Vancouver Naval museum was originally installed in a former classroom aboard HMCS Discovery in 1992. For security reasons during Discovery's involvement in the 2010 Winter Olympics, the museum was put in storage. It reopened in a new and larger space on the base in August 2010.

On Sunday February 6, 2011 over 100 invited guests attended the official reopening, an event that featured a concert by the Vancouver Naval Veterans Band and a lunch reception honouring naval veterans.



UNTiDys played a significant role in the museum event. Brooke Campbell (UNTD '59), Chairman and Trustee of the NOAC Endowment Fund (on the right), is shown presenting a \$1,000.00 cheque to Rod McCloy (UNTD '65), Chairman of the Vancouver Naval Museum. Looking on are the Venerable Ron Harrison (UNTD '65), a Museum Director (third from the right) and Michael Corrigan, Curator. Justifiably, the UNTD brand is present in the photo with Campbell's UNTD blazer badge.

OBITUARIES

SLT Innis MacLeod CHRISTIE, RCN(R) (Ret'd)

Age 71 in Halifax Feb 9, 2009, jn'd UNTD SCOTIAN 1955 U-14904, L.L.B. 1962.

A respected law professor and dean at Dalhousie Law School, author, arbitrator and public servant. His contributions to the legal field were many.

Lt George Donald INCH, RCN(R) (Ret'd)

Age 85 in Magnetawan, ON 05/02/11. Jn'd UNTD 1946 at McMaster University after serving two years in oil tankers during WW 2. Upon graduation

he became a meteorologist and was seconded to HMCS Bonaventure for secret nuclear fallout studies. After returning to civilian life he became a math teacher for 25 years in Brampton. He was part of the UNTD Dream Cruise quarantined at William Head in 1948. That story was featured in the March 2000 UNTD Newsletter.

Capt (N) Hal DAVIES, CD* RCN (Ret'd)

Age 74 in Nassau, Bahamas 14/02/11. Jn'd UNTD 1956 at University of Toronto and transferred to RCN upon graduation. His impressive naval career saw him command HMC Ships; Saskatchewan, Nipigon, Qu'apple and Protecteur as well as Naval Reserve HMCS Scotian. In the words of the Chief of Maritime Staff, Vice-Admiral Dean McFadden, Davies was "the living embodiment of our naval values and traditions". His story was featured in the September 2001 UNTD Newsletter.

LCdr William A. GRISWOLD, CD, RCNR, (Ret'd)

Age 75 in Victoria Nov. 2010. Jn'd UNTD 1958 HMCS Nonsuch. MD Queen's University (heart surgeon). Qualified in Minor War Vessel Command driving gate vessels for Reserve Training weekends. His story was featured in September 2006 UNTD Newsletter. He wrote the UNTD Song.

Cdr(E) Arthur Browne HARRIS, CD, RCN(R) (Ret'd).

Age 85 in Windsor 16/10/10. Jn'd. UNTD 1943 at Queen's University. CO Hunter 1965-68. His story was featured in September 2007 UNTD Newsletter.

LCdr(L) Lawrence Ross WAGENER, CD* RCN (Ret'd).

Age 86 in Dartmouth 14/12/10. Jn'd UNTD 1944 at Queen's University. Naval Aviator.

LCdr(O)(P) Edward A. KIESER, CD*RCN (Ret'd).

Age 80 in Dartmouth 26/11/10. Jn'd UNTD 1949. Naval Aviator.

Capt Edmund Kwong LEE, OMM, CD*RCN(R) (Ret'd)

Age 82 in Victoria 15/10/10. Jn'd UNTD 1948.

A/Lt Joseph Alexander BUSSIERES, RCN(R) (Ret'd)

Age 78 in Quebec City 03/02/10. Jn'd UNTD 1952 at Laval University. Professor L'Université Laval

Crawford Grant EDWARDS U-2?

Age ? in Vancouver March 2011. Jn'd UNTD 1963-1965 at HMCS UNICORN .

Leslie (Les) Denis KARAGIANIS U-38723

Age 74 in Truro, NS on January 12 2011. Jn'd UNTD 1956 at HMCS SCOTIAN

NEW UNTD DECEASED LIST

The UNTD is approaching its 70th Anniversary in 2012 and as a group, the average age has passed its zenith. Consequently, obituaries are becoming all too common and over running limited space in the newsletter. Therefore, the Association has created a UNTD Deceased List on its web site <<http://www.UNTD.org>>. The list is managed by Bill Clearihue. It now contains 137 names listed alphabetically with home division, start year, date of death, place and age. Major life story submissions will continue to appear in the newsletter.

Editor

McMASTER UNIVERSITY ALUMNI WEEKEND

Former Tri-Service members (UNTD, COTC, URTP) held a reception for a plaque unveiling in 2010, paid for by the University. The plaque will be placed at the entrance to the former Tri-Service Centre and lounge that operated from 1945-1967.



The idea was initiated by LCdr (Ret'd) Aubrey Millard (right) and Cdr (Ret'd) Fred Lee. (McMaster)

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