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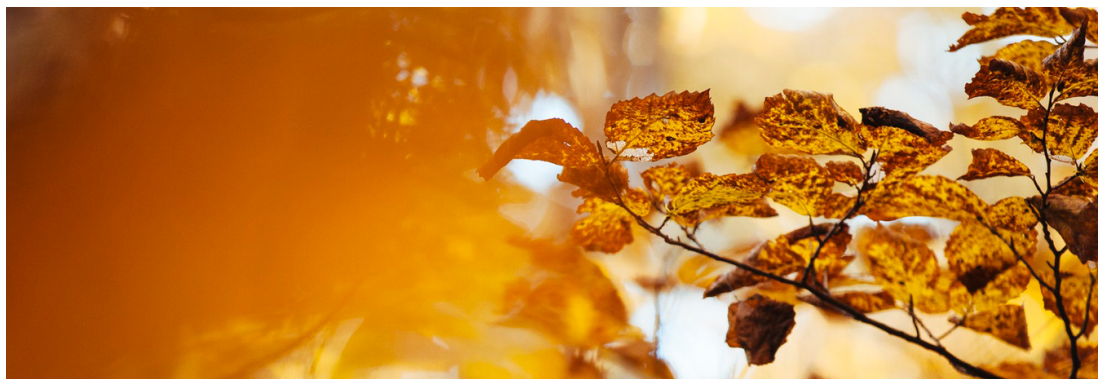
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## ABOUT THIS ISSUE

The award-winning DC Alumni magazine is written, designed and published by the Communications and Marketing department to complement the Reflections publication prepared three times a year by students in Durham College's (DC) Public Relations program. Both are available by visiting our [Alumni publications page](#).

Do you have a story idea or something to share? Is there anything you would like to read about? We would love to hear from you!

Please email [alumni@durhamcollege.ca](mailto:alumni@durhamcollege.ca) with your comments, questions or suggestions.



# Message from the Alumni Association president

## NEW SEASON, NEW FACES

Greetings! My name is Chris Vale and it is my pleasure to introduce myself as your new Durham College (DC) Alumni Association president. This fall marked the beginning of the post-secondary careers of more than 5,700 students who have chosen DC to continue their education.

It also marked the beginning of a new adventure for me with the alumni association. As a graduate of the Web Developer program in 2003, I have had the honour of serving as a member of the alumni association board for the past four years, under former president Lesley Wagner. During this time, I have learned so much from her leadership and guidance and thank her for sharing this with me.

It is with great anticipation and excitement that I step into the role of president. With this title comes a responsibility of leading our more than 73,000 alumni into a new era – one which includes the upcoming celebration of providing 50 years of high-quality education to students across the province, country and around the world.

It's hard to believe that DC will turn a half century old in 2017. I encourage you to stay tuned to the DC Alumni magazine for stories, contests and memories that are nearly 50 years in the making as we are only two years away from celebrating and reflecting on a major milestone.

Until then, I look forward to my time as your president. I hope you enjoy this month's issue – my inaugural issue – as much as I did.

All the best,

Chris Vale

President, Durham College Alumni Association  
Web Developer, 2003





# Centre for Food celebrates the fall harvest

Capitalizing on unseasonably warm autumn temperatures, more than 100 guests dined al fresco on September 24 as Durham College (DC) hosted its first-ever [Harvest Dinner](#) at the [Centre for Food](#), in celebration of the fall season. Members of the community and college employees gathered to enjoy a meal featuring a variety of food, including produce and herbs that were planted, picked and prepared by DC students and to celebrate the college's first crop yield.

The multi-course meal, served family style, was inspired by the CFF's field-to-fork vision, which is based on the harvesting, storage, processing, packaging, sale and consumption of food – in particular the production of local food for local consumers. CFF ambassador and celebrity chef Jamie Kennedy was on-hand to assist with menu planning and worked with culinary students in the kitchen while guests dined under the stars, surrounded by the CFF's fields and greenhouses.

“Not only was the Harvest Dinner an excellent opportunity to celebrate the fall season with the community, it was also the culmination

of several years of hard work on the part of Durham College employees and students,” said Don Lovisa, president, Durham College. “The vision has also come together through the generosity of the broader community. We now have the dedicated resources and energy to bring the field-to-fork vision to life and it's thrilling to see it all coming together.”

Highlights from the dinner included smoked loin of Ontario pork (beef and chicken were also available) with a beet and apple chutney, Linwood Acres trout with lemon geranium and chili peppers and a harvest vegetable medley consisting of carrots, cauliflower, roasted baby corn, Brussels sprouts, green beans and onions. Dessert consisted of several tarts, pumpkin cheesecake and strawberry rhubarb mini pies.

“As the ambassador for the Centre for Food, I was very excited to be part of this harvest celebration,” said Chef Jamie Kennedy. “Celebrating fresh, seasonal and local food is at the heart of my culinary philosophy and fall is one of my favourite times of the year. It was great to be able to share the season with the students and wider community.”





For anyone who missed out on the Harvest Dinner, they can stop by [Bistro '67](#), the CFF's green-certified, teaching-inspired restaurant, to enjoy more of the centre's produce yields. Chef Kennedy will be onsite on select Thursdays throughout the year for a special dining experience. These evenings will feature great food, inspired by Chef Kennedy and the CFF's philosophy, served in a creative

learning environment that represents what happens when communities, local farmers and education work together. Jamie Kennedy Thursdays at DC's Bistro '67 continues on Thursday, November 19. Tickets are available for \$100 plus tax and can be purchased by contacting [Kelly O'Brien](#) at 905.721.2000 ext. 4255.

# New faces on the Alumni Association board

As Durham College (DC) welcomes new students for another academic year, the Alumni Association is also pleased to welcome new faces to its board for the 2015-2016 year.

With the installation of a new president in Chris Vale, 2003 Web Developer graduate, comes the departure of former president, Lesley Wagner. A graduate of the Legal Administration program in 1985, Wagner joined the alumni association in 2010, serving as vice-president from 2011 to 2013, before two years as president from 2013 to 2015.

Lillian Jacoby will also be leaving the board after 14 years. During her time on the board, Jacoby served as vice-president, president and past president.

Rob Tite joined the board in 2006 and during his time, served as vice-president. Since 2000, Laurie Beaton has been a fixture within the association, and spent time with the board as vice-president, president and past president.

While we bid a fond farewell to our dedicated colleagues, the board is also proud to introduce our newest members: Heather Bulman, Matisse Hamel-Nelis and Vanessa Hughes. Hughes is a graduate of the Human Resources program in 1990 and is the senior manager, Corporate Relations and Communications at Ontario Power Generation (OPG).

Bulman and Hamel-Nelis, 2015 graduates of the Public Relations program, are also former members of the inaugural group of the college's highly successful Experience DC campaign. Bulman has joined DC's Communications and Marketing department in the role of online content co-ordinator while Hamel-Nelis is working as a communications specialist for the Canadian National Institute for the Blind's (CNIB) national office in Toronto.





Current and past board members were joined by guests from Durham College at the Alumni Association's annual general meeting, held on September 16 at the Whitby campus' Centre for Food.

Front row (L to R): Michael Baird, Alumni Association board member (AABM); Lori Connor, alumni officer; Stephanie Mercer, alumna; Durham College (DC) alumna; Chris Vale, president, Alumni Association; Lesley Wagner, past-president, Alumni Association.

Middle row (L to R): Don Lovisa, president, DC; Elaine Garnett, AABM; Vanessa Hughes, AABM; Shifa Makki, AABM; Laurie Beaton, former AABM; Heather Bulman, AABM; Sally Hillis, annual development and alumni operations administrator, DC; Remi Kowalski, DC alumnus.

Back row (L to R): Kevin Dougherty, associate dean, School of Interdisciplinary Services, DC; David Chambers, associate vice-president, Office of Development and Alumni, DC; Matisse Hamel-Nelis, AABM; Stephanie Ball, executive dean, Schools of Interdisciplinary Services and Justice & Emergency Services, DC; and Bob La Croix, DC alumnus.

# Seven new programs introduced into Durham College's curriculum

Durham College (DC) prides itself on providing a wide variety of in-demand, comprehensive learning opportunities and this year is no different with the introduction of seven new and exciting fall-start programs beginning in September 2016.

For those who are interested in media and furthering their skills in that field, DC is the place for you, with four new, one-year graduate certificate programs in television, film and advertising. [Advanced Filmmaking](#) challenges students to develop their film craft artistically and technically providing them with the expertise needed to make their own documentaries and narrative films. Speaking of documentaries, the [Investigative Journalism and Documentary Production](#) program allows you to advance your journalism skills through specialized reporting and documentary production, including writing, editing, digital production, research, investigative techniques and data journalism.

The [Advertising – Digital Media Management](#) program capitalizes on the dramatic shift of how people communicate, including the explosion of social networking platforms and the increase in mobile usage, and prepares students to create comprehensive and integrated communication programs. Students in the [Interactive Media Management](#) program can build on their current interactive multimedia skills while positioning themselves as a leader in the development of next generation user experience in electronic information systems.

If you love to crunch numbers and have a passion for the world of finance, the two-year [Business – Finance](#) and three-year advanced diploma [Business Administration – Finance](#) programs could be a great fit for you. Providing a concrete foundation in business, as well as training in financial planning, investments and life and health insurance, these programs give students the skills to gain a competitive edge in the job market. The final year of the Business Administration – Finance program provides a

unique opportunity for students to complete a four-week placement in their final semester, giving them practical finance experience and the opportunity to apply the theories and concepts learned throughout.

Finally for people who like to use their hands, the **Welding Engineering Technician** program allows you to learn welding techniques and process, blueprint reading and metal fitting, while becoming familiar with metals and their unique properties and enhancing your hand-eye skills.

For more information on these programs and how to apply, please visit [www.durhamcollege.ca/new](http://www.durhamcollege.ca/new).





# Durham College men's soccer team wins seventh annual Campus Cup

The Durham College (DC) men's soccer team is getting used to their annual team photo with DC President, Don Lovisa, as the [Lords](#) held onto the Campus Cup title for another year with a 2-0 win over the UOIT Ridgebacks men's soccer team.

"We're excited to hold onto the Campus Cup title for another year," said DC athletic director, Ken Babcock. "This is such a great annual event for our student-athletes, as well as the students in attendance. We're proud to be Lords and hope that this builds some school spirit as our teams prepare for their respective regular seasons."

Bruce Cullen opened the scoring for DC in the 13th minute of the shortened 50-minute friendly with Tevin Noel-Peterson scoring in the 42nd minute to pad DC's lead. UOIT's attempt to cut the lead in half with a penalty shot fell short and the Lords held on to win their sixth title in seven years.

On the women's side, the Ridgebacks were dominant this year as they picked up a 5-0 victory over their campus rivals. Shynice Williams led the Ridgebacks with a pair of goals in the match, while Cassandra Sribny, Sara Voisin and Tyra Gordon all scored a goal apiece. In goal, UOIT keepers Helen Frampton and Victoria Savage split time to share the clean sheet.



The Durham Lords men's soccer team celebrates their 2015 Campus Cup victory over the UOIT Ridgebacks on September 9.

# Sports Shorts

## GOLDEN START TO THE DURHAM LORDS' VARSITY SPORTS SEASON

Exciting athletic action continues as the [Durham Lords'](#) varsity sports season heats up on the indoor courts and the outdoor fields.

The women's fastball team brought home the first Lords' hardware of the season, winning the gold medal at the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) championship, held October 23 and 24. The host Lords went undefeated at the tournament, beating the Humber Hawks 7-3 to take the provincial title for the first time since 2011. Caitlyn Omelanchuk, an earlier recipient of an OCAA all-star award, was named tournament MVP and joined teammate Rebecca Ropp on the championship all-star team. The gold medal followed a seventh-place showing at nationals after also hosting the Canadian Collegiate Softball Association (CCSA) championship earlier in the month. On the men's baseball side, Jake Legros was named a league all-star and received the Rookie of the Year award, with teammate Ben deBoer joining him as a provincial all-star. Unfortunately the men's season ended abruptly with two quick losses at the OCAA finals in London.

The men's and women's soccer teams suffered a tough end to the season, both finishing just outside of the playoff picture. Both teams now head inside to prepare for the indoor season which begins in January 2016.

After barely missing the podium with a fourth-place finish at the OCAA championships on September 30, the golf team finished the season strong at the Canadian Colleges Athletic Association (CCAA) Ping Golf National Championship from October 13 to 16. Hosted by the University of the Fraser Valley in Chilliwack, BC, the Lords posted a four-round score of +46 to finish 11th overall in Canada while Craig Conroy was DC's top individual golfer, finishing 15th in the country.

With the outdoor sports schedule complete, the indoor competitors take centre stage with action beginning in men's and women's basketball and volleyball.





Head coach Jim Nemish addresses the Durham Lords women's fastball team after their gold-medal win in the OCAA championship.

The men's basketball squad kicked off their exhibition schedule by hosting the David Stewart Tip-Off Tournament eventually losing in the consolation final. Rashaun Bennett was named to the all-star team. The women's team also hosted their annual Big 8 Classic Tournament finishing with one win and one loss. Both teams just tipped off the regular season with opposite results, as the ladies picked up two wins, while the men suffered back-to-back losses.

On the volleyball courts, the men's and women's teams have begun their regular season each winning their first three matches. The women are coming off a second-place finish at the Sheridan Women's Volleyball Invitational on October 16 and 17 while the men finished fourth as they hosted the Adidas Cup on October 9 and 10. Erik Janssen was named to the tournament's all-star team.

For complete team schedules, results and news, please visit [www.durhamlords.com](http://www.durhamlords.com). Come out and support your Durham Lords!

# Upcoming events

## FALL 2015



### Fall Open House

*Saturday, November 14  
Oshawa and Whitby campuses,  
Pickering Learning Site,  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.*

Prospective students of all ages and their families, guidance and employment counselors and community members are invited to join us during our annual fall open house. Displays and information will be available at both Oshawa and Whitby campuses as well as the Pickering Learning Site.

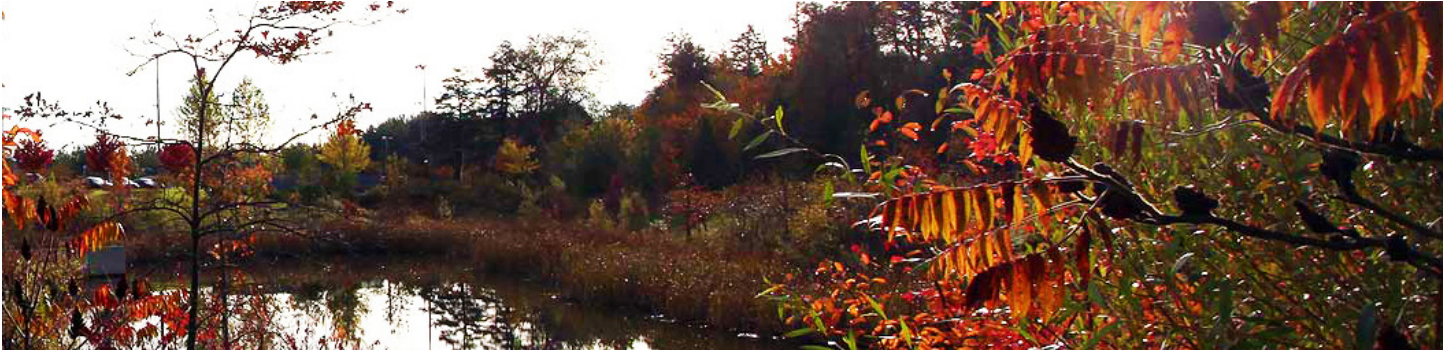
[www.durhamcollege.ca/openhouse](http://www.durhamcollege.ca/openhouse)

### Jamie Kennedy Thursdays

*Thursday, November 19  
Bistro '67, Centre for Food,  
Whitby campus  
6 p.m.*

Bistro '67 is pleased to offer a unique dining experience with celebrity chef Jamie Kennedy. Guests have the opportunity to personally interact and socialize with Chef Kennedy while sampling a delicious a four-course meal influenced by Jamie Kennedy featuring a choice of game entrees. Prices range from \$45 to 60, visit [www.bistro67.ca/jk](http://www.bistro67.ca/jk) for more information.





## Alumni Night at the Oshawa Generals

*Friday, November 27  
General Motors Centre,  
7:35 p.m.*

In celebration of DC Alumni Night, we invite you to join us to cheer on the Oshawa Generals as they face off against the Peterborough Petes. VIP tickets are limited and bowl tickets are available for \$15 each and can be purchased by visiting [www.oshawagenerals.com/durhamcollege](http://www.oshawagenerals.com/durhamcollege).

## Adidas Cup

*Saturday, January 2 and Sunday, January 3  
Campus Recreation and Wellness Centre*

Ring in the new year by taking in some exciting women's volleyball action as the Lords take on the top teams across the province.

For a complete schedule, please visit [www.durhamlords.com](http://www.durhamlords.com). Go Lords!



# Alumni benefit of the month

## XPRESSION THE SALON

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### Hair-raising deals

Durham College alumni receive a number of exclusive offers and benefits through their alumni membership card.

Xpression the Salon is pleased to offer DC alumni 20 per cent savings on all services, including haircuts, styles and colouring. This discount is available at both Xpression locations on 31 Baldwin Street South in Brooklin, Ont. and 1615 Dundas Street East in Whitby, Ont. Call 905.655.8046 (Brooklin) or 905.240.8046 (Whitby) to book an appointment.



We're counting down to Durham College's (DC) 50th anniversary in 2017. Stay connected with us to be in the loop on DC's celebration activities. Update your information [here](#) and connect with us on [LinkedIn](#).





# New and notable

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## DC HIGHLIGHTS

### Experience DC like never before

On September 8, DC launched the second year of [Experience DC](#) – the college’s multi-platform social media marketing campaign – and this year they kicked it up a notch.

With a goal of communicating to prospective and current students, parents, teachers and the community, the campaign will feature 38 team members, including students, employees and alumni. Experience DC provides the inside scoop on DC from those who know it best, and follows their adventures through social media, videos and blogs.

“It’s exciting to once again be part of Team Experience, but this time as an alumnus,” said Sean Noseworthy, recent graduate of DC’s [Biomedical Engineering Technology](#) program. “I landed a job with GE Healthcare as soon as I graduated, and it’ll be fun to share my experience of going from college into a career.”

Experience DC was created, developed and executed by the college’s Communications and Marketing department to uniquely increase brand awareness, enhance DC’s reputation and support the college’s recruitment strategy.

“As a recognized leader in social media, we are pleased to leverage this tool to build on the previous success of the first Experience DC marketing campaign,” said Carol Beam, executive director, Communications and Marketing. “Connecting in a meaningful way with prospective and current students through authentic engagement ensures we support our mission statement – the student experience comes first.”



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## DC HIGHLIGHTS

### Lexus hybrid-electric donation provides hands-on learning for students

Thanks to a generous donation from Toyota Canada Inc. and Lexus of Lakeridge, students in the second year of Durham College's (DC) [Motive Power Technician – Service and Management](#) program and students in the [Automotive Service Technician apprenticeship](#) program will have the opportunity to develop in-demand skills, while also gaining hands-on experience by working with a Lexus CT 200h, DC's first hybrid-electric vehicle.

As part of the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities' (MTCU) guidelines, students in the automotive programs participate in theory-based learning about hybrid vehicles through lectures and videos within their first year. With the donation of the Lexus CT 200h, students will be able to take the theory they've learned and apply it directly by working on the hybrid vehicle in the later years of their program/apprenticeship.

For the Motive Power Technician – Service and Management students there will be a focus on the safety protocol and hazards associated with servicing hybrid vehicles. Automotive Service Technician Level 2 and 3 apprentices will also learn about safety protocol and hazards, while taking a more in-depth look into the functions and operations of the hybrid vehicle.

For more information on DC's programs [www.durhamcollege.ca/programs](http://www.durhamcollege.ca/programs) or for details on apprenticeships, please visit [www.durhamcollege.ca/apprenticeships](http://www.durhamcollege.ca/apprenticeships).

