Ridley College

Major Academic Prizes
Special Achievement Awards
Extra Curricular
Athletic & Cadet Awards

A Family Guild Project
2009 Edition
The Ridley Prizes

From the first Prize Day at Ridley College in June, 1890, a great many prizes have been established. Some are in memory of Ridleians who have died; some are named to honour family or faculty members; some are named to encourage a variety of causes or sporting activities. In many cases, the awards, prizes or trophies have been endowed. The endowment provides for the ‘keepers’, which the recipients receive and certainly cherish. A recent policy decision dictates that all prizes, trophies and awards must be endowed so that funds will always be available to provide significant memories for the recipients. There are, in fact, over 180 named prizes, which the School awards. One hundred and ten of these are fully endowed, 49 are not endowed, and a number are in the process of becoming endowed.

In an effort to identify all of these awards, this document seeks to inform the Ridley family about their sources and significance. Prizes are presented on Prize Day, at the Annual Literary Dinner, at Cadet Inspection, at the Extra-Curricular Awards ceremonies in May and June of each year and at the Athletic dinners at the end of each term. Additional information on these awards is available in the history book - Ridley: The Story of a School, in the Advancement Office, in the Matthews Library, in the Ridley Archives and with the Family Guild. This document is also posted on the Ridley website.

Anyone interested in creating a new award or endowing an existing one should contact the Advancement Office for details on the costs and procedures involved at 905-684-1889, ext. 2324.
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Extra-Curricular, Athletic and Cadet Awards

**THE ALZHEIMER’S SOCIETY SERVICE AWARDS (S)**
This is a public service award given to students who assist Alzheimer’s patients as part of the extra-curricular program. These were first awarded in 2000.

**THE DR. JACK C. ARNELL PRIZE - SCIENCE (E)**
Jack Arnell ’34 came to Ridley from Bermuda in 1930 at the behest of Archdeacon W. J. Armitage, the rector of St. Thomas’ Church, St. Catharines. He excelled in science in general and chemistry in particular. After graduation, during World War Two and into the 1950s, Jack worked in various government scientific departments mostly in Ottawa. In 1966, he became Assistant Deputy Minister (Finance) of the Department of National Defense. He retired in 1973 and returned to Bermuda. He established this prize in 1995 partly to honour Dr. J. R. Hamilton, his chemistry mentor, and partly to encourage scientific studies at Ridley.

**THE LESLIE ASHBURNER MEMORIAL PRIZE - CHIEF TRIBESMAN - LOWER SCHOOL**
John C. Ashburner (1886-1978) was a Ridley faculty member from 1916 to 1955 as a teacher of mathematics. He coached many sports and housemastered in Dean’s House and School House at various times. He was also an Honorary Life Member of the Ridley College Association and Honorary President of the St. Catharines Cricket Club. This award to the Chief Tribesman in the Lower School was first provided by Mr. Ashburner in 1929. The Ashburners had two children, Hugh ’37 and Leslie ’39. Leslie was a Flying Officer in World War II and was killed in action in 1943. The award was renamed in his memory in 1957.

**THE ATHENA AWARD - GIRLS’ RUGBY (E)**
This award and trophy was established and first presented in 2002. It was initiated by the members of Ridley’s first Upper School girls’ rugby team and coaches Brian Martin and Carol Cambre. The initial endowment was raised by the girls themselves. It recognizes zeal, ability and improvement in the game.

**THE BAHAMIAN TROPHY - ROOKIE OF THE YEAR - BASKETBALL**
This trophy was initiated by the boys from the Bahamas on the 1996/97 First Basketball Team. It was first awarded in 1997.

**THE BARTLETT TROPHY - GIRLS’ HOCKEY (E)**
The Bartlett girls, Rachel ’94 and Anna ’00 were both avid ice hockey players. They played, in fact, for nine of the first ten years of the girls’ hockey program. It was their wish to return something to the school for their years of success at Ridley. The trophy was instituted in 2002 and awards the Rookie of the Year.

**THE JUDGE BENSON MEMORIAL PRIZE FOR DILIGENCE - SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT (E)**
His Honour, Judge Thomas M. Benson of Port Hope was one of the first members of the Provisional Board of Directors of Ridley in 1888 and served on the Board from 1889 through 1915. The records show that he first donated this prestigious Ridley award in 1892. It was established and endowed formally in 1903. It continues to be awarded to the student who has shown great diligence throughout his or her career, especially in the final year. Judge Benson’s son, T. B. F. Benson ’95, was one of the original students in 1889. His grandsons were Gerald E. Blake ’10 and V. Benson Blake ’17. This Special Achievement award has been fully endowed by the Class of 1966 in memory of their classmate, J. Griffin Strasenburgh ’66. [see also Blake]

**THE MARGARET M. BENTLEY & ELEANOR M. WAKEMAN-LONG MEMORIAL PRIZE - HISTORY (E)**
This prize was provided in 1997 by Dr. D. L. Clark and his wife Ms. Tracy L. Wynne of Toronto as a gift to their good friends Dr. David and Mrs. Susan Bentley of London, commemorating the Bentley’s 25th wedding
anniversary. The Bentleys had three children at Ridley, Michael '98, Simon '01 and Diana '03. Margaret M. Bentley was David's mother and Eleanor M. Wakeman-Long was Susan's mother, the childrens' grandmothers. It was first presented in 1998.

**THE BERMDA CUP - BOYS' INTER-HOUSE SPORTS CHAMPIONSHIP**

Between 1925 and 1936, the Ridley First Cricket Team was on tour most summers, eight of them to Bermuda. At the end of the 1931 tour, the Governor of Bermuda presented this sterling silver trophy to Dr. Griffith and the school on behalf of the Bermuda Cricket Association. In the early years the trophy was presented, as inscribed, to the winners of inter-house cricket play. During the last half-century, however, other inter-house sports have been included to determine the strongest house athletically. Its counterpart is the Bradley Shield for girls’ inter-house sports.

**THE DR. S. G. BETT PRIZE - MUSIC - LOWER SCHOOL**

Sidney George Bett came to Ridley in 1923 and exercised a reverberating influence over the School for forty-one years. Through the choir, the glee club, hymn singing and the football songs, his love of music was transferred to generations of students. In 1965, a year after Sid Bett’s death, an anonymous donor established this prize as an award for the best all-round Chorister in the Lower School choir. Today, it is the major Academic Music Prize in the Lower School.

**THE BIRKS MEDALS - ENGLISH (S)**

**THE BIRKS MEDAL - GEOGRAPHY (S)**

The Birks Medals were presented by the Birks family in 1969 to three students with the highest standing in English and History. Today, two Birks medals are awarded to senior English students and the third Birks Medal has been transferred to Geography. The prizes themselves have been provided annually by Henry Birks and Sons Ltd., jewellers. The Birks benefaction to the school also includes the Birks Reading Room in the Matthews Library which was opened officially in 1967. This room was dedicated to the memory of Mary E. Birks, wife of Arthur H. Birks and mother of Edwin G.L.’66.

**THE GERALD BLAKE MEMORIAL PRIZE - ACADEMIC PROFICIENCY (E)**

This award was established by Mrs. E. F. Blake. She was the daughter-in-law of the prominent Ontario lawyer, politician and premier of Ontario of the 1880s, Edward Blake. Her husband, Edward F., was one of the members of the provisional Board of Directors in 1888 and served on the Board from 1901 to 1905. Mrs. Blake was also the daughter of Judge Benson of Port Hope and the sister of T. B. F. Benson ‘95. The Bensons, the Cronyns of London and the Blakes of Toronto were linked by friendships and marriages in Ridley’s early years. The E. F. Blakes had two sons, Gerald Edward Blake ’10 and Verschoyle Benson Blake ’17. Gerald was the Lower School Mason Gold recipient in 1905 and the Governor General’s and the T. R. Merritt Gold Medals winner in 1910. Gerald was killed in action at the Somme in 1916. A long and loyal Ridley supporter (she was the first president of the Ridley Women’s Guild, 1923), Mrs. Blake established and endowed this award in 1922 in memory of their son, Gerald. The award recognizes the highest academic proficiency in grade 9. [see also Benson]

**THE BOREAL SCIENCE PRIZE - SCIENCE (E)**

Boreal Laboratories Inc. is one of Canada’s leading distributors of scientific laboratory supplies and equipment. Its headquarters is in St. Catharines. This company established the prize in 1994 and it was first awarded in 1995. It is awarded to a student in grade 11 who demonstrates a high aptitude for science.

**THE ERIC MOSSOM BOYD MEMORIAL PRIZE - ACADEMIC PROFICIENCY (E)**

E. M. Boyd was a promising athlete and academic who graduated with the Governor General’s and T. R. Merritt Gold Medals in 1914. Eric was accidentally drowned in 1917. This prompted faculty member W. T. Comber (1919-1929), his former tutor and teacher to establish and endow this prize in 1923. Eric had two brothers, Herbert C.’15 whose World War I memorial window is in the chapel portico, and John H.’16.

**THE MARY BRADLEY AWARD FOR THE BEST MALE CONTRIBUTION TO THE ARTS**

This award was presented by the graduating class of 1981 as a farewell gift to the school. It was presented in recognition of Mary Bradley’s strong promotion of the Arts and the completion of Richard and Mary Bradley’s time at Ridley. The award is made by the Headmaster in consultation and recognizes the boy who has made the
greatest contribution to the Arts or to one of the Arts. The actual trophy was purchased by David Pitfield ’81 and dates from about 1920. Its counterpart is the Nan Cassels Prize for the girl who has contributed most to the furtherance of the Arts.

THE RICHARD A. BRADLEY TROPHY (E)
Awarded to the Senior Day Student who has contributed most widely in all areas of Ridley’s life. Richard Bradley was Ridley’s 5th Headmaster, from 1971 to 1981. One theme of his leadership was his belief in and support for the well-rounded student, hence the encouragement of this award. First presented in 1982, the award was instigated by Dr. Gordon Powell and his children, Randolph K.’73, Timothy A.’74, Rosemary ’80 and Terance J.’82. The winner is selected by a vote of the senior day students.

THE BRADLEY SHIELD - GIRLS’ INTER-HOUSE SPORTS CHAMPIONSHIP
The girls of 1982/83 were really the first to be involved in a more formal way in inter-house sports competitions. A counterpart to the Bermuda Cup for boys’ inter-house sports seemed logical. It also seemed appropriate that Richard Bradley, the Headmaster of the 1970s who had initiated coeducation at Ridley, be honoured in the name of this trophy.

THE COLIN G. BREZICKI TROPHY - GIRLS’ ICE HOCKEY (E)
This trophy was created and endowed in 2003 to honour coach Brezicki. It was first presented at the Athletic Dinner ending the second term’s sports. It was instigated by the hockey coaches and is awarded to an individual who exhibits a combination of leadership, commitment and dedication to the girls’ hockey program.

THE W. T. BRIGHT PRIZE - PERSEVERANCE - LOWER SCHOOL (E)
The Bright family has had a strong connection with Ridley spanning three generations (T.W. ’22, William T. ’58, Thomas W. ’81, Emily K. ’88, Anna L.B. ’83). It was the wish of the family to establish a prize to reward a student and to honour the contributions of past and current members of the family, many of whom had Lower School affiliations. The award read “for the boy who has, over the period of his time at Ridley, and in the opinion of the staff, made the most progress in the areas of personal relationships, character development and academics”. It is one of the major Lower School awards and was presented first in 1979.

THE E. V. BROWN TROPHY - TRIBE LEADER - LOWER SCHOOL
Mr. Edwin V. ‘Ted’ Brown was Headmaster of the Lower School from 1932 to 1956. He established this award and procured the trophy in 1955 for the leader of the winning tribe.

THE RUTH E. BROWN ACTA EDITOR’S AWARD (E)
Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Brown of Tillsonburg, established this award in 1969. Grant C. Brown, Q.C.,’36 was a prominent lawyer in that city. Their son, Tim ’68, was an assistant Acta editor and Mrs. Brown felt that some recognition of the editor’s work and devotion would be appropriate. For many years, she underwrote this award each year. The endowment was completed in the 1990s. Through the editor, the award encourages the production of one of Canada’s oldest publications.

THE BROWNE FAMILY CUP – U/16 RUGBY MVP (E)
In 2009, Mr. & Mrs. David & Joanne Browne endowed this award in their family’s name to acknowledge passion and dedication to the sport of rugby that the school introduced to their sons Cameron ’09 and Darcy ‘10 during their Ridley careers.

THE BULLDOG TROPHY - SENIOR SQUASH (E)
THE BULLDOG TROPHY - U/16 SQUASH (E)
This unique Senior trophy was presented to Athletic Director W. A. ‘Jack’ Aylott and the School in 1974. It is a casting of an English bulldog, unmistakably Churchillian. The project to acquire such an award was initiated by Robert Penney ’47. Edward ’44, Lord Montagu of Beaulieu came to present it on behalf of the English Old Boys who were given a refuge and an education in Canada during World War II. Inside the trophy is a scroll with the names of the 24 original subscribers. It is awarded annually to the school’s squash champion. The U/16 Bulldog
THE BULLIED AWARD - ALL-ROUND EFFORT - LOWER SCHOOL (E)
This award was created in 1973 by Mr. R. H. Bullied of Calgary, the father of Jeffrey R. Bullied ’76 who was the Lower School Mason Gold winner in 1971. The award was originally designed for grade 9, the senior level of the Lower School, but now serves grade 8, the senior level of the Lower School. It is awarded to the boy or girl “who, in the opinion of the selectors, has put forward the most outstanding effort in all aspects of school life”. A significant scholarship, the Bullied Award, also exists.

THE BUNSTON TROPHY - MOST VALUABLE PLAYER AND LEADERSHIP - HOCKEY (E)
This trophy was provided by Mr. Kenneth Bunston in 1977. Ken Bunston, a hockey enthusiast, was a member of the Board of Governors from 1976 to 2000. He was a current parent in the 1970s, and also President of the Ridley College Association in 1977 and 1978. His sons, J. David ’76 and Michael K.’79 were strong leaders in the school and on their respective hockey teams. Ken was one of the Board members instrumental in the building of the new Griffith winter sports complex in 1977-78.

THE DOROTHY BURGOYNE AWARD - SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT (E)
Dorothy Burgoyne’s Ridley lineage spans four generations. William B. Burgoyne founded the St. Catharines Standard in 1891 and the family were the proprietors of the local newspaper well into the 1990s. Dorothy’s husband Bill ’37, a war hero, was a Ridley Governor from 1950 until his untimely death in 1970. Bill’s father, H. B. Burgoyne was a Governor from 1930 to 1950. Bill’s wife Dorothy, has been a tower of strength and support for Ridley for well over four decades. A Governor in her own right, her particular interest in the girls and their programs has been legendary especially in the early years of coeducation at the school. This award, established by Dorothy and first awarded in 1980, was given to a girl of the graduating class who contributed significantly to the maintenance of high standards and excellence at the school. With the permission of the donor, it now reads “to be awarded to the graduating girl who through quiet leadership and integrity has shown care for her fellow students”. This wording is similar to the award’s male counterpart, the A. Jon Silver Award for leadership. [see also Nesbitt]

THE E. H. M. BURN MEMORIAL PRIZE - FIRST JUNIOR TRIBESMAN - LOWER SCHOOL (E)
This prize was donated in 1969 by Mr. H. C. Sutton ’49, the winner of the First Tribesman Award in 1944 in memory of Mr. Burn. Edmund ‘Ed’ Burn (the father of Mrs. Trish Loat) was on the faculty of the Lower School from 1951 until 1969. Ed was a force in the world of cricket both at Ridley and in Canada. He was the Assistant Headmaster of the Lower School and a lively teacher. Mr. and Mrs. Burn were both killed in a tragic automobile accident in 1969.

THE GARY BURROUGHS TROPHY - FOOTBALL (E)
Gary F. Burroughs ’64, a past parent and a keen supporter of football in general and Ridley in particular, established this award in 1967 to the outstanding Lineman on the First Football Team.

THE MASON GOLD MEDAL & THE ISOBEL BURTON MEMORIAL PRIZE - LOWER SCHOOL (E)
This prize was established in 1968 by Dr. D. F. Burton, a member of the Board of Governors (1969-1973) and father of John D.’60, Edward A.’70 and Donald M.’72. It is a memorial to Dr. Burton’s wife, the late Isobel Burton. It was combined with the Mason Gold Medal in 1968. It and the Mason Medal, awarded first in 1903, recognize the highest academic proficiency in grade eight.

THE CADEAU CUP - FIRST PLACE GIRLS - CROSS-COUNTRY RACE - LOWER SCHOOL
This cup was presented by Denise M. Cadeau ’90 in 1988. She was one of the original girls to enter the Lower School in grade 9 in the fall of 1985. She was also the first winner of the girls’ section of the annual cross-country race. Its counterpart is the Reid Trophy for the boys’ winner.
THE NEIL CAMPBELL TROPHY - OARSPERSON OF THE YEAR - ROWING (E)
The contribution to Ridley’s rowing program of Neil W. Campbell ’51, O.C., is legendary both in the Canadian and Ridley rowing fraternities. With a brilliant rowing career behind him, Neil came onto the Ridley scene in 1968 as coach of the Heavy Eight and guided those senior teams for 20 very successful years. The prize was established in 1968 to perpetuate his name. It was first awarded in 1969. It has been endowed by Jamie Snider ’73.

THE H. TONY CASSELS TUESDAY NIGHT CLUB TROPHY FOR DEBATING (E)
Hamilton Cassels ’36, Q.C., was the grandson of J.O. Miller, Ridley’s first Headmaster, and son of former Board Chairman, Hamilton ‘Laddie’ Cassels ’13. Both father and son were distinguished Ridleians; both were Mason Gold Medal winners. Hamilton Cassels, Jr. had a wide variety of interests, most of which involved his devotion to good citizenship. The cadet program and debating were among his favourites. He was also President of the Ridley College Old Boys Association in 1959 and 1960. This trophy was created, endowed and first presented in 1982 to honour his memory.

THE NAN CASSELS PRIZE - FOR THE BEST FEMALE CONTRIBUTION TO THE ARTS (E)
Nanette T. Miller was the elder daughter of Ridley’s first Headmaster, Rev. J.O. Miller. She attended Ridley as a day student from 1902 to 1908, completing her high school years at Havergal College. She served in England as a nurse during the First World War, but returned to Ridley in 1917 to marry Hamilton ‘Laddie’ Cassels ’13, one of Ridley’s outstanding leaders and athletes of the prewar period. Nan was a force on the Ridley scene and especially in the Women’s Guild for over four decades. She died in 1980. This prize was established by an anonymous donor and first awarded in 1976. As the girls were becoming a significant proportion of the Ridley population in the mid 1970s, it seemed appropriate to honour the school’s first Ridley child (born 1891) and first female student. The prize’s male counterpart is the Mary Bradley Award to the boy who has contributed most to the furtherance of the Arts.

THE NAN CASSELS 1914 STEEPLECHASE TROPHY - FIRST PLACE GIRLS - SENIOR CROSS-COUNTRY RACE (E)
In the spring of 1914, a new event was added to the sporting scene — a real steeplechase. An obstacle course was laid out by Nan Miller herself, up and down hills and across ditches, fences and water barriers. She also donated and named the cup. The steeplechase event was run only once as the war intervened and it was not revived. The cup, resurrected in 1977 as a trophy for the senior girls’ Cross-Country race, has been endowed by Courtney Smith ’06, winner of the 2005 Senior Girls’ race.

CHAPEL READING PRIZE - THE BRIAN J. MAHER ’83 MEMORIAL PRIZE (E)
[see Maher]

CHAPEL SERVICE PRIZE - THE A. E. MIX MEMORIAL PRIZE FOR CHAPEL SERVICE (E)
[see Mix]

THE DR. W. J. CHAPMAN MEMORIAL PRIZE - SECOND SENIOR TRIBESMAN - LOWER SCHOOL (E)
Dr. Chapman was the School physician from 1923 through 1950 and an ardent Ridelian. The prize was established in 1950 by his wife in his memory. It was Dr. Chapman’s wish that the prize be awarded annually to the student with the second highest number of tribe points. His son, Alfred J. Chapman, Q.C.’45 completed the endowment.

THE FREDERICK C. CLARKSON ’62 MEMORIAL PRIZE - SENIOR LATIN (E)
Formerly the James M. Donnelly Prize for Latin, this prize was moved recently from the Lower School to the Upper School where Latin studies continue to flourish. In 2005, the name was changed and the prize endowed by the Clarkson family.

CLASS OF 1939 - THE DR. J. R. HAMILTON AWARDS FOR SCIENCE ENRICHMENT (E)
[see Hamilton]
The Sgt Herbert Charles Clitheroe Prize for Art (E)
This prize was endowed in 2009 by Reverend Eleanor Clitheroe and her husband Mr. Randy Bell in memory of Reverend Clitheroe’s father Sgt H.C. Clitheroe who had a passion for the visual arts. This prize is given out annually to the Lower School Art student who has 2 pieces selected by the Lower School Art faculty which are then framed and displayed in the Lower School for all to see and enjoy.

The Maj. R. S. Cockburn Shield - Outstanding Recruit
Major Robert S. ‘Twink’ Cockburn gave fifty-one years of dedicated service to Ridley, including ten to the Canadian Army in two world wars. He is best remembered for his military connections both inside and outside the School. At Ridley, he was the Cadet Corps’ only shooting instructor for over twenty-five years. He retired in 1972. This shield was instigated by W. N. Kinnear ’63 and given by the 1962/63 officers of the Corps as a token of thanks and to perpetuate his memory. It is now divided into two, the outstanding male and the outstanding female recruit.

A.J. Corolis Lower School Athletics Award (E)
This award is given to the athlete (male or female) who best exemplifies the Code of Sportsmanship and Fair Play. Nominees must be in their grade 8 year and compete on a competitive team throughout all 3 terms. The recipient cannot be the winner of the Athlete of the Year award and quite possibly would not be in the running for that award.

Kristine Corolis Prize - 1st Girls’ Basketball MVP (E)
Kristine is a long term Ridley faculty member with extensive experience as a coach, housemaster and administrator at Ridley. In 2006 she undertook to endow this award for the MVP for first girls’ basketball.

The Stephen R. Court Memorial Shield - Best Contribution from Lower School to the Band (E)
The Stephen Court Memorial Prize - Successful Participation - Lower School (E)
The Stephen Court Art Prize (E)
These benefactions, as well as the Stephen Court Scholarship Fund, were the result of the tragic death of a Lower School boy, Stephen Court, during the Christmas break of 1985. As Headmaster Hunt wrote in ACTA, 1986: ‘No year that has included the death of one of our members could ever be called ‘good’. Stephen Court, was a promising young man with athletic, musical and artistic ability. In grade 8 Scripture, we talk about tragedy and suffering, but all that does not begin to prepare us for the real thing when it strikes quite unaccountably. The School recovered, of course, and life went on, as it always does, but the message of mortality and temporality remained an unwonted presence in the Lower School’.

The Coy-DeVellis Trophy (E) - Passion for the Game and Unselfish Commitment to U/16 Hockey
This trophy was established and endowed in 2000 by the two U/16 hockey coaches and teachers, Rick Coy ’60 (faculty 1966-1998) and Paul DeVellis (faculty 1995 – present)

The Barry Cromarty Trophy - Most Valuable Player - Basketball (E)
F. Barry M. Cromarty ’63 was a keen basketball player on the early 1960s teams, becoming a captain of the 1963 team which won the first St. Catharines Standard Tournament trophy. He established this trophy in 1969 to recognize the most outstanding First Team player. His mother, remembering her happy days watching the teams of the 1960s, completed the endowment in 2000.

The I. S. Cronin Trophy - Girls’ Field Hockey (E) - Leadership and Ability
Ingrid Cronin is the wife of Ridley’s sixth Headmaster, Jeremy Packard. She was active in the life of the school as a housemaster and a coach of volleyball and field hockey at various times during the 1980s. She created this award in 1986 to encourage this sport.
The Hume Cronyn Trophy - Outstanding Performance in the Theatre (E)
This award was created in 1991 and first awarded in 1992. With the advent of the new Mandeville Theatre in the Second Century Building, it seemed appropriate that outstanding performance should be recognized. The award was established and endowed by Hume Cronyn himself. Mr. Cronyn ’31, was a significant Canadian star both of the stage and the silver screen. He died in June, 2003.

The Terence Cronyn Award - Drama - Lower School
The Terence Cronyn Prize - Special Achievement (E)
Terence Cronyn ’20 was the quintessential Ridleian, spending his life at the school from 1927 through 1967. Terry taught, housemastered, devised, edited publications, and wrote and directed plays. Upon his retirement he became the first formal secretary to the Old Boys Association (currently named Ridley College Association) though he had already been doing that work for many years. He remained in residence in the Lower School until his death in 1983. Over the years he attended and encouraged most school functions. He became a sort of patron to many of the Arts and to many sporting activities, especially cricket and rowing. His interests were all encompassing in both the Upper and Lower Schools. The Drama award in the Lower School was established in 1968 by the boys of that year. The Terence Cronyn Prize, one of the four major Ridley awards, was established in 1968 by the faculty. It is awarded by the opinion of the faculty, to a student who has achieved high academic standing and who has made a significant contribution to the life of the School throughout the student’s years at Ridley.

The Terence Cronyn Trophy - Top Debater in the Valentine’s Day Debate
The Terence Cronyn Prize - Best News Story in a Ridley Publication
The Captain Terence Cronyn Trophy - Novice Oarsperson (E)
Terence Cronyn ’20 was the quintessential Ridleian. He spent his life at the school. From 1927 to 1967, he taught, housemastered, advised, edited publications, wrote extensively and directed plays. After his retirement in 1967, he became the Secretary of the Old Boys’ Association (currently named Ridley College Association) and remained in residence until his death in 1983. Over the years, he attended and encouraged most school functions. Theatre productions, student writing and debating might be cited as his favourites. Latterly in his career, he became something of a patron to the rowing program, attending most Ridley regattas both at home and abroad. The Valentine’s Day debates began in 1991, and the Novice Oarsperson recognition began in 1978.

The Harry J. Daniel Award - Enthusiastic Participation in Gr. 7 - Lower School (E)
Harry J. Daniel, Q.C. is a prominent St. Catharines lawyer and the longtime Ridley parent of four Ridleians of the 1970s and 1980s. H. Scott ’83, F. Glen ’84, R. Blair ’86 and Heather A.’90. He was Chairman of the Board of Governors from 1995 through 2000 having joined the Board in 1981. This special achievement award was established by Harry in 1983 for a student who has shown the greatest enthusiasm in all branches of school life, and who has shown the greatest potential for leadership.

The Scott Daniel Trophy - Track and Field (E)
Scott Daniel is a member of the Class of 1983, a long time Ridleian, and a particularly enthusiastic and proficient runner during his Ridley days. He instigated this trophy in 1985 for all-round excellence in Track and Field.

The Matthew A. Davis Memorial Prize - Tiger Tribune (E)
Matt Davis was a member of the Class of 1994 who died accidentally while at university in 1996 in Tennessee. His friends, classmates and parents established this award in his memory. Matt was a particularly creative editor of the Tiger Tribune in 1993/94. The award, given to the Editor(s) of the school’s newspaper, is presented at the annual Literary Dinner near the end of each academic year. The Tiger Tribune was founded in 1982.

The William Dick Award - Best Girls’ Contribution - Rowing (E)
William ‘Bill’ Dick was a coach from the local rowing community who became an integral part of the Ridley rowing fraternity in the 1980s. He was a particular favourite among the girls’ crews of that era. This award was established and first presented in 1989 to honour his contribution to the Ridley program. Bill died in 1991. The endowment for this award was provided by Dr. & Mrs. Charles L. Consky in 2005.
Mrs. Evelyn Dobson was the wife of Mr. Albert Dobson, a prominent St. Catharines lawyer. Their son, David, is a graduate of the class of 1983. Mr. Dobson established this award in 1983 in memory of his wife.

**The C. F. Dorland Trophy (E)**
Carl F. Dorland donated this trophy in 1976 in memory of his father, C. W. Dorland of St. Catharines. Both men were keen sportsmen. Carl was on the Ridley faculty as a cadet instructor and teacher of physical education and geography from 1961 until his retirement in 1987. Carl and his wife Eleanor are the parents of four Ridleians, Scott W. ’73 Wendy L. ’75, Paul M. ’78 and Jason C. ’83. In 1976 Carl felt that the girls’ awards were under-represented and that the Matheson Trophy for boys needed a female counterpart, hence the Dorland Trophy. It is awarded annually by student vote, “to the girl who has contributed most in the girls’ athletic program either by proficiency or zeal”.

**The Keith Dorrington Memorial Prize in Science - Lower School (E)**
This prize was created and endowed by MDS Capital in 2003 in memory of Keith Dorrington, a valued employee of that life sciences venture company. It is awarded annually to a student in the Lower School, at the discretion of the Science faculty and the Director of the Lower School, to pursue a special science project or study.

**The John S. Drake Memorial Prize for Economics (E)**
John Drake (1916-2003) was a member of the Class of 1935. John lived most of his life in St. Catharines and worked for the Welland Vale Manufacturing Company. At Ridley, he was a strong football player and gymnast. His grandson, G. Scott Paterson, of the Class of 1982, created and endowed this prize in 2005 in John Drake’s memory. It is awarded to the student with the highest standing in Economics.

**The Reverend George Dunkley Prize - Music (E)**
George Dunkley, Director of Music at Ridley from 1980 to 1993 established and funded this award beginning in 1995. It has been supported since then by his children, G. Gregory ’84, Derek J.’87, and David M.’90.

**The Endeavour Award - Lower School (E)**
Parents Dr. and Mrs. David DeBenetti, and Drs. Howard and Penny Miller, were anxious to reward a student graduating from the Lower School who had demonstrated strong academic progress. Their prize was instituted in 2003. It is awarded to the grade 8 student who records the greatest improvement in overall grade average during the Ridley school year.

**The Faes Trophy - Soccer (E)**
There were three Faes brothers from Mexico in the 1970s, José, Alex and Dino. Alejandro ‘Alex’ Faes ’78 was a strong and enthusiastic soccer player on two ISAA championship teams. Alex established this prize in 1977 when it was first presented. It was endowed in 2000.

Family Guild – Also see Women’s Guild

Ridley College Family Guild Prize for Public Speaking (Junior) (Lower School) (E)
Ridley College Family Guild Prize for Public Speaking (Junior) (Upper School) (E)
Lt. Col. A. C. Iggulden Memorial Shield - for the Outstanding Cadet in D Company (E)

The Ridley College Women’s Guild had its origins in 1923 in Toronto. It was inspired largely by the accumulated sorrow of so many Ridley families who had lost loved ones in the Great War, a sorrow which led to the building of the Chapel. Their first project in fact, was the furnishings for that great Ridley memorial. Over the years, the Guild has funded the finishing touches to most of the bricks and mortar projects of the School. The Guild, both at Ridley and in its branches, has also been widely involved in many areas of Ridley’s life – a great civilizing influence – including furnishings of many sorts, books, bursaries, scholarships, the clothing exchange, prizes and virtually all fund raising events. In 1999, it went ‘co-ed’ becoming the Ridley College Family Guild. The Guild initiated the Junior Upper School Public Speaking Prize in 1950 and a similar award for the Lower School appeared in 1954.
The A. C. Iggulden Shield for the outstanding cadet in D Company was presented first in 1984 by the Niagara Branch of the Women's Guild and was endowed by the Family Guild in 2001.

JAY FEAGAN-PHILIP DAVIES AWARD (E) - for Character Development and Leadership Potential
This award, a medal, was established in 1969 by friends and family in memory of James P.S. Feagan '69 and Philip B. Davies '69, students in the Upper School who died in an automobile accident in May, 1969. It has been awarded ever since to a Grade 11 student who has given the most outstanding evidence of character development and leadership potential along the lines of the Second Great Commandment - “to love one’s neighbour as oneself”, and Shakespeare's admonition - “be true to oneself and thus false to no man”.

THE JAMES FILBY MEMORIAL PRIZE (E)
James Filby was one of the founding partners of the Boston Mills Press of Erin, Ontario. He became a friend of Ridley through John R. Denison ’66 also of the Boston Mills Press. It is a prize awarded today at the Literary Dinner for humorous writing in Ridley’s school newspaper The Tiger Tribune, which was founded in 1982. The award was established in 1987.

FISCHER FAMILY LOWER SCHOOL Valedictorian Award (E)
Presented to the Lower School student who is voted valedictorian by his/her classmates each year. The student receives a certificate and a keeper decided on by the Prize Committee. The award was endowed by A.C. ‘Tony’ & Cynthia Fischer and family in 2007. The Lower School first introduced a valedictorian address in 2000 when Akshay Shetty ’04 was bestowed the honour of being the first Lower School valedictorian.

THE HANNA FLANDRAK Memorial Prize - HISTORY (E)
Hanna Flandrak was the mother of Kitty Lundy, the mother of A. Brett Lundy ’83. Kitty was a sociologist and a devoted Ridley mother with a remarkable gift for and love of History. This award was instituted in 1990 in memory of her mother.

THE DR. ELLEN SMOOR FOSTER Prize for French (E)
Dr. Ellen M. Foster has been on the Ridley faculty since 1997 in the Department of Modern Languages. The prize was established by Dr. Foster and her husband Michael, in 2002, for proficiency in French at the grade 9 level.

THE HARRY ‘RED’ FOSTER Prize for Social Service (E)
Sportsman, celebrity, radio broadcaster, nationalist, humanitarian and philanthropist are some of the hats that Harry Foster ’24 wore during his colourful career, which ended in 1985. He created one of the leading advertising agencies in Canada in the middle of the 20th century. He is best known, however, for his concern for the developmentally disabled in Canada. His efforts were responsible for the establishment of the Canadian Special Olympics in 1969. He received the Order of Canada medal in 1970.

THE MACKENZIE S. FOWLER ’11 Trophy
Selected by the Lower School Cadet Faculty for overall leadership, proficiency and dedication to the program, this trophy was donated in 2008 by Doug & Patricia Fowler, and presented to the Best Officer in D Company.

THE MRS. GEORGE H. GOODERHAM Trophy for the Winning Tribe - Lower School House Zealous Achievement Award - Goodearham House West House Zealous Achievement Award - Merritt House North
The legacy of the Goodearham family to Ridley has been nothing short of monumental. Their involvements in the School, its student body, its Association, its prizes and scholarships and its Board members, have been virtually seamless from 1890 to the present. Various members have been involved in every financial and building campaign in the School’s history. The new school in 1905, the Dean’s House (1908), the first Headmaster’s house (now Hamilton House) in 1914, the second rink (1919), Goodearham House in 1922, the Chapel in 1923, Merritt House in 1932 and the Iggulden Gymnasium in 1939 are only some early examples of structures which were heavily subscribed by the Goodearhams. More recently, their significant subscription to the Lower School (Alumni Hall) helped make that renovation possible.
Mrs. George Gooderham, the wife of George H., Ridley’s longest serving President of the Board (1912-1942), was a particular favourite of the boys in the 1910s and 1920s as the presenter of prizes at Sports and Prize Days. She took a lively interest in all of the School’s affairs and was particularly interested in the students’ welfare. She presented the Zealous Achievement awards in 1943 and established the Lower School Winning Tribe award with a trophy also in 1943.

**THE HAL GOULD ’69 FOOTBALL COLOURS FUND (E)**

D. Harold W. Gould ’69 was an enthusiastic football player and all-round athlete during his Ridley years. This is an endowment, a surprise gift from his wife to recognize Hal’s 50th birthday in 2000. It provides income to offset the cost of the colours awarded each year. Colours are awarded in football (and all First Team sports) at the end of each season to recognize excellence in the particular sport.

**THE GOVERNOR GENERAL’S MEDAL - ACADEMIC PROFICIENCY (S)**

Lord Dufferin, Canada’s third Governor General after Confederation, created the Academic Medals in 1873 to encourage academic excellence in educational institutions across the nation. This prestigious award for the highest academic performance by a senior student was first presented at Ridley College in 1897. These awards continue to be supported by the Office of the Governor General. Only in 1989, Ridley’s Centennial year was the then-current Governor General, Jeanne Sauvé, on hand to present the medal personally.

**THE HERALD BENJAMIN GREENING MEMORIAL AWARDS – MUSIC PROFICIENCY (LOWER SCHOOL) (E)**

**THE HERALD BENJAMIN GREENING MEMORIAL AWARDS – MUSIC PROFICIENCY (UPPER SCHOOL) (E)**

**THE S. O. GREENING PRIZE - PROFICIENCY IN CLASSICAL PIANO (E)**

Herald B. Greening, Class of 1896, was a descendant of Benjamin Greening who had established The Greening Wire Co. of Hamilton, Ont. in 1859. He and his son, Samuel Owen Greening ’26 were avid musicians as well as businessmen and their wills established these awards to promote music at Ridley. The Herald B. Greening awards were established formally in 1969 by Herald’s wife, Gladys, in memory of Herald Benjamin Greening, Old Boy and Governor of Ridley from 1918 to 1923. The S. O. Greening Prize was established in 1994.

**THE H. C. GRIFFITH TROPHY - FIRST PLACE IN THE SENIOR BOYS’ CROSS-COUNTRY RACE**

This trophy was originally called the Bishop Ridley College Challenge Cup and was given and established in 1899 by H. C. Griffith ’96, then on the faculty of the School. Harry Griffith was a keen sportsman, musician and academic. He was among the original boys in 1889. In 1921 he became Principal of the Upper School and in 1932, Ridley’s third Headmaster.

**THE JOHN S. GUEST PRIZE-NEW STUDENT ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT-LOWER SCHOOL**

From 1956 to 1976, John Guest was the Headmaster of the Lower School. In many ways, he was the Lower School during those restless decades. While dramatic change roiled the Upper School, John and his wife, Cosie, created a stable and hospitable environment in the Lower School, which made it a special place for the boys of that era. This prize for academic achievement by a new student was created in John’s honour and first presented in 1980.

**THE SIMON HALL AWARD - MVP BOYS SQUASH 1ST TEAM (E)**

This award was named and endowed by Simon’s children Martine ’02 and Jon ’04 to honour their father’s career as a squash coach at Ridley. They established the award in 2004 when Simon was awarded his 25 years of service award by the Ridley College Association.

**THE J. R. HAMILTON PRIZE - DEDICATION - LOWER SCHOOL**

**THE CLASS OF 1939 DR. J.R. HAMILTON AWARD - SCIENCE ENRICHMENT (E)**

**THE HAMILTON CHAIR AWARDS OF DISTINCTION (E)**

John Russell Hamilton, Ridley’s third Headmaster, succeeded Harry Griffith in 1949. He had come to the school to teach science in 1922 and, over the years, he built one of the strongest science departments of any independent school. He maintained his interest in and concern for science even after becoming Headmaster. He was granted an honorary LL.D. from the University of Western Ontario in 1951 in recognition of his contribution to the teaching of science. Suddenly and unexpectedly, he died in September 1961. The Lower School Prize for
Dedication was instituted by the boys of the Lower School and endowed by Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Elwood, the parents of its first winner, E. Lindsey Elwood '65. The Hamilton Chair in Science and Mathematics, fully capitalized, was unveiled in 1990 and continues to support excellence in those fields as do the Class of 1939 Science Enrichment awards.

**The L. H. Harmer Trophy - First Place - Midget Boys Cross-Country Race**
Harold R. Harmer, football, hockey and cricket player belonged to the Class of 1896. He was also an avid runner. He placed second in the Senior event in 1894 and won the race in 1895. He donated this trophy in 1905.

**The Mrs. A. F. Harris Memorial Prize - Science (E)**
This prize was established and endowed in 1952 by Kenneth S. Harris '32 and his sisters Mrs. W. R. B. Humphries and Mrs. H. J. McLaughlin, in memory of their mother, Mrs. Ada F. Harris of Toronto, a friend of Headmaster Hamilton. Ken Harris was the Governor General's Gold Medal winner in 1931 and 1932. Mrs. Harris’ prize is designated for the student with the highest marks in Grade 10 Science.

**The Headmaster’s Prize for Zealous Achievement Special Achievement (E)**
The Ridley College Zealous Achievement Prize is one of the four most prestigious School awards and they began under the direction of Headmaster Griffith in 1935. The choice of the recipients lies with the Headmaster. This Special Achievement award has been endowed by Rupert D. Lane, 8th Ridley Headmaster, 1995-2004.

**The Headmaster's Mug - Hockey**
**The Headmaster's Trophy - Girls' Soccer**
**Headmaster's Ties**
The Headmaster’s hockey trophy was established by Ridley’s fourth Headmaster, Mr. E. V. B. Pilgrim in 1969. It is awarded annually to the member of the First Team who best displays effort, ability and clean play during the season. The Girls’ Soccer Trophy was the Most Valuable Player award until the advent of the Dr. R. B. Robinson Trophy in 1993. At that time the Headmaster’s Trophy came to be awarded to a promising rookie. The recommendations come from the coaches.

The Headmaster’s Ties were instituted in the 1960s by Headmaster Pilgrim, to recognize distinguished service in a particular field. They are given in consultation with faculty.

**The Lt. Col. S. G. Heaman Prize (E)**
Samuel G. Heaman '39, was a thorough Ridleian: boxer, gymnast, cadet officer and prefect in his final year. His military career began with the Black Watch Regiment and in 1942 he was selected for the First Special Service Force which saw action in many areas. He was awarded the U.S. Silver Star and the Purple Heart. In 1967, he succeeded Terry Cronyn as Secretary of the Old Boys Association and worked in that office until his retirement in 1987. This award was first presented in his honour by an anonymous donor in 1985. It reads: “to a senior student who has shown devotion to and proficiency in the voluntary military aspect of the Ridley College Cadet Corps, while displaying a mature appreciation of the place of the military as a guardian of peace in a democratic society”.

**The Dr. Bryan A. Henry Prize (E) - Track and Field - Pursuit of Excellence**
Bryan Henry spent eight years at Ridley earning top honours in a variety of endeavours. He was a prefect, the Commanding Officer of the Cadet Corps and the Mason Gold Medalist in 1991, his graduating year. His sporting passion was track and he excelled in middle distance running, capturing gold at the OFSAA 1991 Championships in the 800 metres race, in record time. He continued to run during his Harvard University years but never let his running interfere with his medical studies. This prize was instituted in his honour in 2000 by Cathy Henry, Bryan’s mother, a long-standing and loyal Ridley parent. The trophy is in the form of a bronzed track shoe.

**Bruce M. Hicks Public Service Award - For the Advancement of Equality (S)**
The Bruce M. Hicks Education Foundation, established in 1985, assists those who advance minority rights. The award, a trophy, was first offered to Ridley in 2001 to honour a student who has done the most towards: “…the amelioration of conditions of disadvantaged individuals or groups, indulging those that are disadvantaged because of race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, sex, age, or mental or physical disability”.

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THE FRANK HOLLINRAKE MEMORIAL PRIZE - SCIENCE (E)
Frank A. Hollinrake ’57 was a faculty member, primarily in the Lower School from 1961 until his retirement in 1995. He taught science and coached league sports, both with memorable enthusiasm. He also housemastered and was thoroughly involved in the cadet program. He died suddenly in 2001 and an outpouring of affection and remembrance from the members of the current Science Departments created this prize. It was first presented in 2002.

THE CAPTAIN F.A. HOLLINRAKE MEMORIAL BOWL–LOWER SCHOOL (E)
Frank A. Hollinrake ’57 was on the Ridley faculty from 1961 until his retirement in 1995. He taught science, primarily in the Lower School, coached and housemastered. He was also thoroughly involved in the cadet program being responsible for most of the cadet training. For most of his Ridley career, Frank was the Quartermaster for the entire school. He died suddenly in 2001 and this trophy was established in his memory. It is given to the cadet in ‘D’ Company who best exemplifies enthusiastic participation and quiet leadership.

PRIZES FOR HOUSE ZEALOUS ACHIEVEMENT
In Arthur Bishop East (E) - Christopher W. Allan and David N. Himebaugh, donors of this trophy, were both stalwart members of the 1986 graduating class from Arthur Bishop House East. Both witnessed the division of Arthur Bishop House into two parts, East and West, in 1984/85 and were anxious to contribute to the identity of the new house. The award was first presented in 1985 and the trophy in 1987.

In Arthur Bishop West - J. David Mackey became the first housemaster of Arthur Bishop House when it was built in 1965. He donated this trophy, The Housemaster’s Trophy, in 1967. David left housemastering and the English Department in 1979 and taught in the Lower School until his retirement in 1999.

In Dean’s - Jennifer Mackey ’76, the donor of The Dean’s House Cup, was a staunch member of Dean’s House from 1974 through 1976. She was a leader among the day-girl contingent.

In Gooderham East (E) - Rosemary Iggulden, the donor of this unique wooden trophy, was the first female housemaster of Gooderham House East when a half of Gooderham House became a women’s residence in the fall of 1981. Rosemary was Housemaster from 1981 - 1988.

In Gooderham West - Gooderham House was opened in 1922 but no zealous achievement awards were made at the house level until 1944. Mrs. G. H. Gooderham, wife of the President of the Board from 1912 through 1942, created the awards in 1943 and presented the silver trophy first in 1944 in memory of her husband, George H. Gooderham.

[see also Gooderham]

In Leonard - Leonard House is named after Col. R. W. Leonard, one of Ridley’s great benefactors. This award was created in 1988 when Leonard House came into being as an Upper School house. Rodney G. Jackson ’89 and Derek P. Brown ’89, the donors of the trophy, The Jackson-Brown Cup, were two of the original members of the house and they were anxious to contribute to its new identity. It was first presented in 1989.

In Burgoyne - Constance (Connie) Cosgrove, the donor of the Burgoyne Trophy, was the first housemaster of Burgoyne House when it came into being in 1988. Burgoyne House is named after the Burgoyne family who were board members and key benefactors of the school.

In Mandeville - Catherine Parkinson, the first housemaster of Mandeville House when it became a residence for girls in 1986, donated the trophy. Mandeville House is named after M. Ross Mandeville ’62 as a memorial to Ross’ life.

In Merritt North - This trophy was presented in 1943 and first awarded in Merritt House in 1944 by Mrs. G. H. Gooderham, wife of the late President of the Board of Directors. She presented this silver trophy in memory of her husband, George H. Gooderham.

[see also Gooderham]

In Merritt South (E) - Merritt South became a separate residence when the house divided into two parts in 1982. While the presentation was always made to the award winner, a new trophy did not appear until 1992. It was donated by the London Branch of the Ridley College Women’s Guild.
THE José Huerta Award - Most Valuable Player - Boys' Rugby (E)
The award for the most outstanding player was first created by the prefects of 1973/74 when the sport was still in its infancy at Ridley. It was then a plaque. In 2002, José Luis Huerta ’00, a keen rugby player during his Ridley years, and his family, provided both a trophy and the endowment. The new trophy was first presented in June 2002.

THE Robert L. Hunter Prize - History (E)
Robert Lloyd Hunter ’33 was a loyal and enthusiastic supporter both of the School and of the life of service which Ridley seeks to inculcate in its students. He was a prominent Toronto lawyer and became a Vice-President and Director of Pitfield, Mackay, Ross Ltd., investment dealers. His particular interest was Canadian history and upon his death in 1986, his friends established and endowed both this senior history prize and the Robert L. Hunter Memorial Scholarship. The History prize was created in 1987 and first presented in his memory in 1989.

THE Capt. C.W. Iggulden Shield - For the Outstanding Cadet
THE Cap’s Cup
Captain C. W. Iggulden came to Ridley in 1920 after a splendid British army career. He took over the Cadet Corps in 1924 from Colonel Thairs, its founder, and until 1946, ‘Cap’ was the Cadet Corps, the Gymnastics Squad, the Assault-At-Arms, physical training and a leading element of the spirit of Ridley discipline. He retired partially in 1946 and finally in 1950, handing his duties over to his son Andy. Captain Iggulden first presented the ‘Cap’s Cup’ in 1929 recognizing gymnastic excellence. The cup itself was donated by the late K. S. Maclachlan, father of the late G. Alan ’39 and the late Peter ’42. The names of the winners are displayed on boards in the Iggulden Gymnasium. The C. W. Iggulden Shield was established in 1964 and donated by the Officers of the 1963/64 Corps in his memory. Today it has a male and a female component.

THE Lt.Col. A. C. Iggulden Memorial Shield - Outstanding Cadet in D Company – Lower School (E)

THE Lt.Col. A. C. Iggulden Trophy - Outstanding Officer (E)
After spending over three years in a prisoner-of-war camp during the Second World War, Andrew C. Iggulden followed his father, Captain C. W. Iggulden, as Commander of the Ridley College No.162 Cadet Corps. He served in that capacity until 1978. He continued the established tradition as the institutional mainstay of physical education, the Assaults-At-Arms and gymnastics as well as the cadet program. The award to the outstanding officer was instigated by the officers of the 1967/68 Corps and first awarded in 1968. The award to the outstanding cadet in the Lower School was begun in 1983 and the accompanying shield was donated in 1984 by the Niagara Branch of the Women’s Guild. The award was endowed in 2001 by the Family Guild. Both awards were instituted to perpetuate the memory of Colonel Iggulden.

THE Rod Jack Memorial Award - Boys’ Rugby (E)
Roderick ‘Rod’ Jack, a great rugby enthusiast, was a member of the Class of 1980 who died tragically in 1981. His teachers and classmates instigated this award in his memory and it was first presented at the final Sports Dinner in 1982. It is awarded for leadership and competitive spirit, Rod’s own attributes. The endowment was completed by the family in 2002.

THE Michael J. Johnson ’05 Award - Golf (E)
This award was established in 2005 and is presented to the most valuable player on the Ridley College Golf Team. In honour of his Ridley career and to recognize Michael’s love of the game of golf his parents named and endowed this award.

THE Paul R. Johnson Award - The Football Captain’s Cup
This award was created in 1949 by Mr. Rodgers P. Johnson ’31 in memory of his father, Paul R. Johnson ’07. Both men were able football players on their respective Ridley teams.

THE A. Stoddard Jones Award for Unique Talent (E)
Alfred Stoddard Jones, a past parent, established this award in 1980 to further the emergence of positive originality. The award recognizes a student in the Upper School who possesses an unusual skill or talent. Mr.
Jones hoped that this cash award would be of direct assistance to the winner in the development of his or her special skill or talent.

**The Kennedy Family Dance Spirit Award (E)**
This award was instituted and first awarded in 2002. In 2003, the award was named and endowed by past parents, Mr. & Mrs. Richard R. Kennedy and their daughter, Adrienne '03. The recipient is chosen by secret ballot. It is awarded to the person who is seen to have contributed most to the success of the Dance Company based on his/her positive attitude, compassion for fellow dancers and upbeat spirit.

**The John Hastings Kerr Memorial Prize - English (E)**
This award was established in 1961 by the wife of Flying-Officer John Hastings Kerr who was killed in 1960 while serving with the Royal Canadian Air Force. John was a member of the Class of 1954.

**The Kindellan Cup - Girls' Rugby - Most Valuable Player (E)**
This trophy was first awarded in 2002. It and the endowment was provided by Mrs. Dorothy Kindellan, mother of Michael R. '98, Lindsay C. '00, Julia E. M. '03, and Rachel O. '12.

**The Hon. Mr. Justice A. Courtney Kingstone Memorial Prize - Public Speaking (E)**
Arthur Courtney Kingstone was a member of the class of 1892. A graduate of U. of T. and Osgoode Hall, he was called to the bar in 1899 and joined a St. Catharines law firm shortly thereafter. In 1920 he was made K.C. and a Bencher of the Law Society of Upper Canada. In 1932, he was named to the Supreme Court of Ontario. He was an active member of Ridley’s Board of Governors (and particularly the local board) from 1903 until his death in 1938. He was also the first President of the Old Boys’ Association in 1893 and again in 1898. He established this prize in 1910 or 1911 and it became fully endowed with his will. It is a prize awarded to the student who places second in the Senior Public Speaking contest in the Upper School. Until recently, the prize was a pair of monogrammed gold cufflinks! His Honour, Judge Stewart E. Kingstone of St. Catharines, Courtney's grandson, has maintained the award for many years.

**Elizabeth Bae Kurusi '07 – Grade 11 Drama Prize (E)**
‘Leeza’ is a graduate of 2007, a school prefect and an actively involved Ridleian in every way. This prize was named and endowed by her mother Catherine to honour Leeza’s graduation from Ridley.

**The Judy Lane Trophy - Girls' Volleyball (E)**
Judy Lane, the wife of Rupert D. Lane, Ridley’s 8th Headmaster, has always been a keen supporter of the girls’ athletic program and volleyball in particular. It was her wish to establish and endow this award for the athlete on the Senior Women’s Volleyball team who has made the greatest contribution to the team. It was first presented in March 2003.

**The Leach Memorial Prize - Academic Proficiency (E)**
This memorial was established in 1943 by William B. Leach ’14 in memory of his parents, his brother the late John D. Leach ’11, his nephew, the late John A. Leach ’39 who was killed in 1943 on active service with the Royal Canadian Air Force, and also the long association of the Leach family with the School which began in 1899.

**The G. F. Leigh Trophy - Junior Boys - Cross-Country Race**
Rev. George F. Leigh was a student at Ridley from 1913 to 1916. He was regularly among the leaders of the annual Cross-Country race winning at the Intermediate level in 1913 and the Senior event in 1915. Maintaining his interest in the School throughout his career as an Anglican chaplain, he donated this silver trophy in 1927.

**The P. E. Lewis Cup - Swimming (E)**
This silver trophy was instigated by Fiona Milne ’90 and Maria Maunder ’90 and the swimmers of the 1989-90 championship team, to recognize the effort and friendship of Mr. Lewis, as swimming coach over many years. It is awarded to the best swimmer on the Girls’ Swimming Team in the Michaelmas Term.
THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR’S COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER AWARD (S)
This certificate and pin originates with the Ontario Honours and Awards Unit, Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation, under the office of the Lieutenant Governor. It was first presented at Ridley in 2000 and recognizes a student who has volunteered his or her service beyond the confines of the School.

THE C. J. LOAT AWARD - MOST VALUABLE PLAYER - U/15 SOCCER (E)
This award was presented in 2003 to honour Christopher J. Loat ’62 for fifty years of contribution to Ridley soccer as player and coach. The trophy was donated by his wife, Trish, and his children, Alison ’94 and Christopher ’97. It is a mounted crystal plate, which belonged to Mr. Loat’s parents-in-law, Ed and Connie Burn, Ridley Lower School staff from 1951 to 1969, and is a token of their affection for him and for Ridley College.

THE JOSÉ IGNACIO MACIA TROPHY - GYMNASTICS - LOWER SCHOOL
Until the Castro revolution of 1959, Ridley was home to a number of Cubans and ‘Joe’ Macia was one of them, belonging to the class of 1941. He was a fierce competitor in gymnastics, track, boxing and football. He died in the ill-fated Bay of Pigs invasion of 1961. The trophy was created and the prize established in 1967 by his many Ridley friends. A plaque, placed in the chapel tunnel, was unveiled by the Cuban alumni in October, 1989.

CHAPEL READING PRIZE - THE BRIAN J. MAHER ’83 MEMORIAL PRIZE (E)
This prize dates from 1965 when students began regular Chapel reading. It is awarded to the student who best exemplifies the qualities of a lector - one whose reading is clear and articulate and where the content is understood by the reader who then helps to convey the meaning by virtue of appropriate emphasis. This prize was endowed by Patrick Maher ’84 to honour his brother’s memory after he was tragically killed in October 2002.

THE ROBERT J. MALYK SCHOLARSHIP FOR BIOLOGY (E)
This award was created and endowed in 2004 by Robert Malyk, Ridley’s senior biologist. It is a university entrance scholarship and is awarded to the student with the highest achievement in Advanced Placement Biology. Students in this course have been involved in genetic research since 1998 as part of the world wide Human Genome Project.

THE M. R. MANDEVILLE PRIZE - for Well-Roundedness, Outward Orientation, Courage, Perseverance (E)
THE MANDEVILLE TROPHY for Contribution to Life in the Theatre
Michael Ross Mandeville ’62, was the son of E. W. Peter Mandeville ’38. He came to Ridley in 1957 and was a promising athlete and academic. During his grade 12 year, he became ill with leukemia and returned to his home in Lima, Peru, where he died in June, 1961. The M. Ross Mandeville Theatre award was first presented in 1990 to complement the newly completed Mandeville Theatre. The Well-Roundedness and Perseverance Prize was established in 1992. Both prizes, memorials to Ross’ life, were endowed by the Class of 1962.

MANN FAMILY TROPHY - MVP 1ST GIRLS’ TENNIS (E)
This trophy was provided by Mr. and Mrs. Karnig & Sheri Mann and their daughter Celine N. Mann ’07 in the spring of 2007. Celine was a standout tennis player and a member of 1st team while at the School. This trophy is awarded annually to the member of 1st girls’ tennis, who in the opinion of the Coaching Staff, is the Most Valuable Member of her team.

BRIAN MARTIN 1ST GIRLS RUGBY ROOKIE OF THE YEAR TROPHY (E)
This prize was donated by Peter Greenwood ’77 in the Spring of 2009 to honour Coach Brian D. Martin who established the girls’ rugby program at Ridley in 2002.

THE JOHN MARTIN PRIZE - ART - LOWER SCHOOL
John Martin was the art instructor at Ridley from 1956 to 1963. He was the curator of the Art Gallery of St. Catharines (then in the public library), and a member of the Royal Canadian Academy of Art. He died tragically in an automobile accident in 1965 after which this prize was established by his wife and many St. Catharines friends.
The J. Herbert Mason Medal - Special Achievement (E)
The most prestigious award at Ridley College was originally the Blake Gold Medal. It was given to a boy, on a vote of his peers, who possessed such character and integrity that he was representative of the Ridley ideal of true manliness. It was first awarded in 1890 by the Hon. Samuel H. Blake, one of the charter members of the Board of Directors. When Mr. Blake withdrew his support for the School in 1902 due to sectarian differences, Mr. J. Herbert Mason, then President of the Board, became the donor. The Blake Gold Medal became the Mason Gold Medal. Mr. Mason also provided the medal for the Head Boy of the Lower School, offered first in 1903. In his indenture endowing the two awards, he set out the terms of reference.

The medals carried these qualifications:
* cheerful submission to authority
* self-respect and independence of character
* readiness to forgive offenses
* desire to conciliate differences with others
* moral courage and unflinching truthfulness

J. Herbert Mason was the founder and builder of the Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation and is ranked among the founders of Wycliffe, Ridley and Havergal Colleges. He was President of Ridley’s Board of Directors from 1900 until his death in 1911. His medal is awarded at Havergal and Upper Canada College as well as at Ridley.

The John K. H. Mason Memorial Award - for Senior Public Speaking - Lower School (E)
The school established this award originally in 1936. In 1953, the late Col. D. H. C. Mason donated a new prize in memory of his son, Lt. John K. H. Mason '39, R.C.N., who was killed in a naval aircraft accident in 1951. Col. Mason served on the Board of Governors from 1918 to 1959. His daughter, Miss Elizabeth Mason assumed the completion of the endowment of this Public Speaking prize.

The J. P. Matheson (Memorial) Trophy - outstanding male athlete
John P. ‘Jack’ Matheson came to Ridley in 1939 as a classics teacher. He and his wife Alice were house parents in Gooderham, Dean’s and Merritt Houses at various times before Jack became assistant Headmaster in 1952. He held that position until the unexpected death of the Headmaster, Dr. J. R. Hamilton, in September 1961, when he assumed the role of acting Headmaster for that academic year. Jack was a keen sportsman and supporter of all of Ridley’s sporting activities. He retired in 1968 and this award, to the boy on a First Team who has made the most of his own ability in Ridley athletics, was established in Jack’s memory in 1969 by the boys and Jack’s friends. Its female counterpart is the C. F. Dorland Trophy.

The Kelly Matthews Memorial Prize - Senior Mathematics (E)
Andrew Kelly Matthews, a promising athlete and academic, attended Ridley from 1928 to 1931. He would have graduated in 1932 but died from polio in September 1931. The award was established by his mother, Mrs. F. B. Matthews in 1932. She died in 1976 and her estate endowed this award as well as a significant scholarship, in memory of her son.

The Keith Mawhinney Trophy - U/16 Hockey
J. Keith Mawhinney began his Ridley career in 1961 in the Lower School, then moved to the Upper School where he taught mathematics until his retirement in 1993. During those years, he coached hockey uninterruptedly both at the First Team and at the Under Sixteen levels. He became somewhat of a coaching institution in golf and football as well as in his great love, hockey. Keith donated this trophy and presented it first in 1994.

The McElligott Prize - Art - Grade 10 (E)
Josephine McElligott graduated from Ridley in 1988. She was a keen swimmer and art student. Her parents, Dr. and Mrs. M. A. McElligott of Wallaceburg, wished to honour a student in the Art program in Josephine’s name. The prize was first awarded in 1988 to a student who “most arduously investigated his or her creative potential”.

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THE JOHN B. McHARDY SHIELD - to the NCO who has done most for the betterment of the Corps
John B. McHardy ’37, attended Ridley from 1928 through 1932. A strong supporter both of Ridley and of its cadet program after graduation, John provided this shield in 1955 to encourage those in what were sometimes perceived as the lesser ranks.

THE McINTYRE-CASSELS TROPHY - for the best graduating NCO in the Band
James R. O. McIntyre and John H. Cassels, enthusiastic bandsmen, both graduated from Ridley in 1966. Jamie was the Drum Major and John was the Band Captain. They donated this trophy to encourage future bandsmen and it was first presented in 1966.

THE J. C. MC LAUGHLIN PRIZE FOR VISUAL ARTS - GRADE 11 (E)
This prize was established in 2002 to honour the work of James C. McLaughlin, a former Head of Ridley’s Art Department, which has continued over the past quarter century. The donor is anonymous. The donor is anxious that Ridley recognize and encourage talent in various areas of the Visual Arts.

THE MENTONE CUP-ENTHUSIASTIC PARTICIPATION-LOWER SCHOOL (E)
When former Lower School faculty member Kerry Martin went on a teacher exchange in 1987 to the Mentone Grammar School in Australia, he donated ‘The Ridley Plate’ to that school to honour enthusiastic participation below the Grade 7 level. The Australian school reciprocated with a similar award, the Mentone Cup. It was first presented at Ridley in 1988.

THE MRS. W. H. MERRITT MEMORIAL PRIZE-DILIGENCE - LOWER SCHOOL (E)
THE MRS. W. H. MERRITT MEMORIAL PRIZE-Tribe Pins - LOWER SCHOOL
THE DR. W. H. MERRITT MEMORIAL PRIZE FOR PUBLIC SPEAKING (E)
THE T. R. MERRITT MATRICULATION SILVER MEDAL -ACADEMIC PROFICIENCY (E)
THE T. R. MERRITT MATRICULATION GOLD MEDAL -ACADEMIC PROFICIENCY (E)
Thomas Rodman Merritt (1824-1906) was the fourth son of William Hamilton Merritt, the builder of the Welland Canal. Educated at Upper Canada College, he developed a number of business enterprises over the years. These included shipping, milling, the Imperial Bank, the St. Catharines Hydraulic Company, the Welland Canal Loan Company and the St. Catharines Gas Company. He worked closely with the early founders of Ridley to purchase the first school property and to prepare it for occupancy in 1889. He was the first president of Ridley College and served in that capacity throughout the first decade of the school’s existence. It was due to his foresight that the field on the western side of the canal was purchased. He was very active in the building of the new school in 1904/5. Mr. Merritt left money in his will to endow these medals in perpetuity.

Lt. Col. William Hamilton Merritt, M.D., (1865-1924) was the son of J. P. R. Merritt and grandson of William Hamilton Merritt of Welland Canal fame. He was the first school doctor, a position he held from 1889 to 1908. From 1906 until 1924, he was a prominent local member of the Board of Governors. During the First World War, he served in the armed forces in France. His home, Rodman Hall, was a welcoming place for many Ridleians throughout his later life. Dr. Merritt took a particular interest in public speaking at the school and spent many evening hours instructing Ridley boys in that activity. The speaking contests in the Upper and Lower Schools were always hotly contested.

Mrs. W. H. Merritt, the wife of the school’s doctor, was renowned for her hospitality at Rodman Hall and for her interest in the welfare of the younger Ridley boys of her era. She was the mother of T. R. Merritt ’14 and grandmother of T. R. Merritt, Jr.’44. The tribe pins, which she undertook to finance are now provided to the leading point winners of the winning tribe in the Lower School. The Diligence Prize is awarded to the student who, in the opinion of the faculty, has worked hardest “but not obtained any prizes”.

THE C. E. MILLER PRIZE - CREATIVE WRITING - LOWER SCHOOL (E)
This book prize was established in 1963 and named in 1966 by the daughter of the late Charles Edward Miller ’11 who was captain of the 1911 basketball team and a long time Ridley supporter. It is awarded annually by the English Department to the student who has produced the best creative writing during the school year.
This prize began in 1945 as the prize for excellence in Scripture and Divinity for Grade 10. It was established by Mr. Archie E. Mix ’14, a prominent St. Catharines lawyer and a member of the Board of Governors from 1933 to 1965. When Scripture ceased to be a subject on the curriculum, it has come to be awarded annually on the recommendation of the Chaplain, to a student for devoted services to the Chapel.

The W.C. Montgomery Award - Rookie of the Year - Hockey (E)
William ’Bill’ Montgomery was the head groundskeeper from 1959 until his retirement in 1990. His duties encompassed both the grounds and the rink. Along with his expertise in these areas, Bill brought with him considerable hockey skills and a passion for the game. He coached for many years at the Second Team level. A trophy to honour him was instigated by Mike Bunston ’79 and Tim Reid ’78. Bill presented this trophy, a bronzed skate, in 1978 for the Rookie of the Year on the First Team.

The Gwyn Morris Librarians’ Awards (E)
Gwyn Morris came to Ridley from England in 1931 and joined the Ridley faculty in 1932. With the exception of the war period (1941-45) he remained at the helm of the history department until his death in 1963. He was a scholar and linguist as well as a great teacher, devoted to the English language and to the encouragement of reading. He was the founder and organizer of the Matthews Library and sought to build it as the heart of Ridley’s academic life. The prizes were named in his memory by his wife Jane who carried on his work into the 1980s. They recognize the special contribution of a junior and a senior library assistant.

The Moulden Coaches Award for Cross Country (E)
This award was created in 2005, and named and endowed by Michael J. Moulden ’70, a Cross Country runner and coach. It is awarded to a team member who has shown great determination in contributing to the success of the Cross Country team.

The Richard Naylor Drama Award (E)
Richard ‘Rick’ Naylor ’79 has been a longtime supporter of Ridley and its various drama programs. He was a participant in various productions throughout his Ridley career. In 1994, Rick presented this award to a student who took on a small role but made the most of it.

The Rita Z. Newell Prize for Design & Technology - Gr. 11 (E)
This award was created and endowed in 2003 by the late Peter P. S. Newell ’81 in memory of his mother, Mrs. Rita Newell.

The Newman-Rigby Trophy for the Best Contribution to the Band (E)
This award was established by two bandsmen in 1962, Richard J. Rigby ’62 and Lawrence H. Newman ’62. Both were anxious to encourage excellence in musicianship in the band. Larry was the Lieutenant and Rick was the Drum Major in their graduating years. The prizes were originally awarded to the most improved drummer and the most improved trumpeter. With the increasing size of the band in the 1980s, the award is now divided between best woodwind, best percussion and best brass.

The James Nesbitt Dance Trophy - Achievement in Dance (E)
This award was instituted and endowed in 1997 by Dorothy and Ridley Doolittle to recognize significant achievement in the school’s dance program. In 2004, the trophy was named to honour the work of Mr. James Nesbitt who was responsible for much of the choreography in school productions over many years and the formal coach of the dance group from 1992. [See also Burgoyne]

Daniel H.T. Oh Prize for Grade 10 Music (E)
Daniel and his brother Sean are citizens of Korea. Daniel entered Ridley in 2004 and has enjoyed a solid fulfilled career at the school. The Music Prize has been named and endowed to celebrate his Ridley year by his mother, herself a renown and internationally acclaimed artist (Song Ran Moon).
SEAN S.T. OH PRIZE FOR GRADE 10 MATH (E)
Sean is a graduate of 2007, brother of Daniel, a keen student and practitioner of magic and a citizen of Korea. This award was given to honour Sean’s Ridley career by his mother Song Ran Moon, an internationally acclaimed artist.

THE OHIO IRONMAN AWARD - BOYS’ HOCKEY (E)
This unique award was established and first presented in 2000 to recognize the player who “works extra hard every practice and every shift, who doesn’t miss for injury, sickness or discipline and who leads by example and hard work, not necessarily by statistics”. It was created by three parents of Ohio-based Ridley hockey players and recognizes the long connection between Ridley and the Cleveland area.

THE JOSÉ ORDONEZ TROPHY (E) - 2nd place- senior boys-Cross-Country Race
José ‘Joe’ Ordonez ’42 was one of the many boys who came from Cuba in the years before the Castro revolution. He was a strong athlete and solid academic. He was the first winner of the UCC Cup for swimming in 1940 and the Intermediate Champion in Track and Field in 1939. He presented this award, a tankard, in 1944. Until recently he provided for the keeper trophies and in 2005 he completed the endowment.

THE KAREN OUDE-REIMERINK AWARD - GYMNASTICS (E)
The girls of the 2000/01 gymnastics squad conceived of and created this trophy to be presented to the new gymnast who best displays zeal for the sport and a willingness to work hard to improve. It was first presented in 2002 and honours the work of their gymnastics coach, Karen Oude-Reimerink.

THE H. JEREMY PACKARD TROPHY - LACROSSE (E)
Although an interest in lacrosse had existed at Ridley from its first year in 1889, the game did not reappear formally until 1989 under the encouragement of H. Jeremy Packard, the Ridley Headmaster of the 1980s. The trophy was first awarded in 1990 to the Most Valuable Player.

THE ANTHONY M. PARTINGTON ’65 PRIZE - HISTORY (E)
This prize was created in 2005 and is awarded to the Grade 9 student who has the highest grade in Career Studies/Civics. It is named in honour of Tony’s 40th Ridley Reunion in 2005 and in recognition of his great love of history. It was given and endowed by his wife, Roseanne.

THE PATON TROPHY - FOOTBALL (E)
The Paton Trophy was established in 1965 by Mr. K. T. Paton, father of Andrew ’64 and Christopher ’65, both strong team players during their Ridley years. It is awarded to the boy on the First Team who combines the highest degree of ability and sportsmanship during the season.

THE A.C. ‘SANDY’ PETERS UNDER 16 SQUASH COACH’S AWARD (E)
A.C. ‘Sandy’ Peters served Ridley loyally from 1978 until his retirement as the Athletic Director in June 2007. Although Sandy’s impact on Ridley was felt throughout the School, his passion was the Athletics Program and specifically squash. He was a tremendous coach and teacher of the game as he encouraged the growth of the sport throughout his tenure at the grassroots level. This award is presented to the member of the Under 16 Squash Team who, in the opinion of the coaching staff, shows the most commitment to the team and dedication to the game.

THE PIRIE TROPHY - BOYS’ SOCCER
This trophy was established and first presented in 1972 by the wife of Maj. Aimers Alexander Pirie ‘35. He and his sons, Alexander ’65 and Fraser ’70 were outstanding soccer players in their years at the school.

THE ERNEST GREGORY POWELL MEMORIAL PRIZE - MATHEMATICS (E)
Mr. Powell joined the Ridley faculty in 1900 to be in charge of the mathematics depart ment. He held that position until his retirement in 1946. Known as ‘The Dean’, he was the first housemaster of Dean’s House in 1908. He and his family also lived in Miller House for many years. He died in 1950 and this math prize was established in 1951 by Mrs. Powell and their two sons, E. Osborne ’29 and George C.’33. It awards the student with the highest combined average in mathematics in grade 11 and 12.

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THE E.O. & G.C. POWELL MEMORIAL PRIZE - ACADEMIC PROFICIENCY (E)
E. Osborne Powell '29 and George C. Powell '33 were the sons of Ernest Gregory Powell, mathematics master at Ridley from 1900 through 1946. It was the wish of the children of the two Ridley brothers (Dr. Gregory, Kathy (Powell) Butler, Louise (Powell) Morley, John O.'58 and E. Gordon '62 to honour their parents' Ridley loyalty over the years. The prize was first awarded in 1998.

THE PREFECTS’ AWARD - for all-roundedness in Gr. 9 (E)
This prize was instituted by the prefects of 1982/83 to reward the student in grade 10, then the entry level to the Upper School, who demonstrated the best all-round character throughout the year. The winner is chosen by the current prefect body and, over time, the prefects have endowed this award.

THE PRICE MEMORIAL PRIZE - for proficiency in English in Gr. 9 (E)
Llewelyn Price was a highly regarded student at Ridley from 1892 to 1897. Athlete, musician and academic, he won both the Governor General’s Medal for academic proficiency and the Blake Gold Medal (the predecessor to the Mason Gold Medal) for true manliness in his final year. He was a keen supporter of the school immediately upon graduation. He died of typhoid fever late in 1899 at Quebec City on a return voyage from England. The prize was endowed by his mother and first awarded in June 1900.

THE REID TROPHY - 1st place, Cross-Country Race - Lower School
Colonel F. A. Reid, was a prominent London citizen in both military and Hunt Club circles in the early 20th century. His son, John K. Reid entered the Lower School in 1912 and left from the Upper School in 1919. Colonel Reid donated this trophy in 1912 for the winner of the Lower School Cross-Country race. John’s son, Ian B. K. Reid, graduated in 1962. The trophy’s female counterpart is the Cadeau Cup.

THE RENSSELAER MEDAL - for Science & Mathematics (S)
The Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy, NY, has awarded their medal to junior high school students since 1916 and at Ridley since 1957. Founded in 1824, Rensselaer is the oldest degree-granting technological university in the United States. Their medal, now granted to more than 2,600 high schools in North and South America, Europe and Asia, is designed to encourage and reward excellence in science and mathematics below the senior level.

THE DR. ALAN AND MRS. JEAN RICE MEMORIAL AWARD (E)
THE MRS. JEAN RICE MEMORIAL AWARD - MATHEMATICS - LOWER SCHOOL (E)
The Rice family has had a long connection with Ridley spanning more than a century. Five brothers attended Ridley in the 1950s and 60s - Gordon D.'54, the late Ronald G.'58, Barry A.'60, Michael A.'61 (faculty 1966-1997) and Peter M.'64. It was the wish of Dr. Rice and the boys to create a significant character award in memory of Mrs. Rice who died in 2003. She was both a past president of the Women’s Guild and a life member. The award was created and endowed in 2003 and first presented in June. It is awarded to the graduating student who in the opinion of the Faculty, has made the most of his/her Ridley experience having started in the Lower School.

THE D. S. RICKERS TROPHY - LACROSSE (E)
This coach’s award, presented to a veteran player whose leadership, talent and perseverance were a source of inspiration to the team, was first presented in 1999. In 2003 it was named and endowed by Don Rickers, Director of Admission, former national team player and one of the instigators in the reintroduction of lacrosse at Ridley in 1989.

THE R.M.C. CUP - BEST PLATOON
From the very earliest years of Ridley’s history, senior students sought to attend the Royal Military College in Kingston, Ontario, for officer training and/or for academic degrees in a variety of fields. The first prospectus of 1889 in fact, suggested that Ridley’s boys would be prepared “for entrance into the professions of law, medicine, theology and the Royal Military College, with engineering in mind”. R.M.C. and Ridley played against one another
in numerous matches in the early 20th century. The strong links between the two schools led to the presentation of this cup in 1929 to be awarded to the best section (now platoon) in Ridley’s Cadet Corps.

**The Dr. R. B. Robinson Trophy - Girls’ Soccer**

**The Peter B. Robinson Lower School Cross-Country Award (E)**

Peter B. Robinson ’71, a St. Catharines lawyer and soccer enthusiast, donated this soccer trophy in 1993 in memory of his father, Dr. R. B. Robinson. The Lower School Cross-Country Award is a trophy, which is presented to the winning tribe. It was created in 2002 and first presented at the 100th anniversary celebrations of the Cross-Country run. The Lower School, which opened in 1899, began its own independent Cross-Country run in 1902. The Lower School became the Lower School in 1988.

**The Rochford Trophy - outstanding contribution to Rugby - Lower School**

This award was inaugurated in 1996, the year of the first appearance of this sport in the Lower School. The trophy, donated by K. Scott Atkin ’95, a keen player and D. Mark Cosgrove ’95, a captain of the Upper School Rugby team, honours David Rochford Cosgrove, Director of the Lower School (1988-1999) whose love for the game encouraged its initial growth and development in the Lower School.

**The David A. Rokeby Prize for Media Art (E)**

David Rokeby ’78 was a talented artist during his Ridley years and he continues his work as an interactive artist in Toronto. The prize, instituted in 2004, is awarded to a senior student in Media Art. The donor wishes to remain anonymous.

**The C. N. D. Rosmarin Prize (E) - for senior language proficiency**

Brock University Professor of French, Leonard Rosmarin and Mrs. Rosmarin established this award in 1996 for an outstanding senior student studying two languages. It was first awarded in June 1996. Three Rosmarin daughters, Chantal ’85, Nicole ’87 and Danielle ’95, all attended Ridley and were all keen linguists. It was Professor Rosmarin’s love of language and desire to encourage linguistic study that led to this endowment.

**The R. J. Rumble Memorial Trophy for Best Platoon in D Company (E)**

Robert J. Rumble attended Ridley from 1937 to 1941. After serving with the R.C.A.F. in the war he established a successful automobile dealership in Toronto. His two sons attended Ridley, Robert J. B. ’75 and J. Lance ’71. Lance’s children, Bob’s grandchildren, are Bret ’03, Taylor ’05 and Chandler ’06. Bob Rumble was always a strong Ridley supporter. He presented this trophy in 1963 for the Lower School winning tribe and it was first awarded at the Cadet Inspection in June of that year.

**The Ahmed Sallam ’09 Old Boys’ Trophy - 1st Soccer (E)**

In the Fall of 2007, Mr. & Mrs. Sam Sallam and their son Ahmed ’09 who was a member of the 1st Team for 2 years, endowed the 1st Soccer Old Boy’s Trophy. This award is presented each Michalmas Term Sports Dinner to the player on 1st Team who, by example, contributes most to the development of team morale.

**The S. F. D. Sampson Memorial Rosebowl (E) - for the best band recruit**

This trophy was established and endowed in 1968 by Dr. D. M. Fraser, father of Ian M.’72 and Derek D.’79. Both Ridley boys were able bandmen and Dr. Fraser was keen to encourage newcomers to the cadet band. He established and endowed this award in memory of his wife’s father, Derek and Ian’s grandfather.

**The Klaus Peter Schoenefeld Memorial Prize - Art (E)**

Peter Schoenefeld was a lively and highly respected member of the Class of 1980. Upon graduation, he enrolled in the Ontario College of Art and quickly established a reputation for highly imaginative work in the field of design. He died suddenly in 1986 and an outpouring of affection from his classmates and friends established this prize at the senior level in his memory. It was first presented in 1987.
**The Michael A. Scott Trophy – Most Valuable Player (E)**
This trophy was first awarded in 2008. It is presented to the Most Valuable Player on the First Badminton Team on the recommendation of the coaching staff. It is named in honour of Michael Scott, the first formal badminton instructor at the school. He initiated the program in the 1975/76 season building it over the years into a strong winter term option. His programs were both recreational and competitive. The teams played locally primarily but talented individuals or pairs often advanced to the SOSSA and OFSAA levels in the third term. The trophy was created by Michael’s colleagues.

**The Seymour Trophy (E) - Senior 2nd Girls - Cross Country Race**
In 2006 Geoffrey Seymour ’69 endowed this award, which is presented at the Cross Country Race.

**The Geoffrey Seymour Trophy - Harriers (E)**
This trophy first presented in 2005, was endowed by Geoffrey Seymour ’69, a strong runner in his own school days. It is awarded to a member of the Harriers team who best represents spirit, determination, and leadership along with excellent performance.

**The Gerald S. Shantz Prize for Poetry (E)**
Rev. Gerald Shantz came to Ridley in 1981, appointed the 10th chaplain for the school. He was ordained in 1977, received his doctorate in American History in 1988 and was made Canon in the Anglican Church in 2005, the year of his retirement. While at the school, he had an abiding interest in literature of all kinds, taught Latin and English, coached sports and spoke regularly in chapel. The prize was named and first awarded at the Literary Dinner in May 2005.

**The David and Andrea Shemilt Trophy - Swimming (E)**
This trophy was presented in 2005 by David and Andrea Shemilt. David Shemilt ’82 was a record holding CISAA swimmer and he swam for Canada as a member of the 1984 Olympic Team. Andrea was the coach of the Ridley Swim Team for much of the 1990’s. Their love of competitive swimming and their desire to encourage the sport at the novice level led to its first presentation in 2006.

**The Anthony P. Sherman Cup for Under 16 Rugby Rookie of the Year (E)**
From his formative years playing in the U.K. to his many coaching assignments at various levels, without a doubt rugby has always been long-time Faculty Member and Housemaster Anthony P. Sherman's passion. Tony took tremendous pride in the time that he spent in teaching grassroots rugby here at Ridley College where he started the Under 14 program in the Lower School before moving on to work for many years with the athletes at the Under 16 and 1st Team level. Upon his retirement from Ridley in 2009, his wife Dagnia B. Eizans Sherman and his son Erik P.E. Sherman ’03, wanted to honour his years of steadfast service to the teaching of the game by endowing this award in his name.

**Akshay Shetty ’04 Valedictorian Award (E)**
Presented to the Upper School student who is voted valedictorian by his/her classmates each year. The student receives a certificate and a keeper decided on by the Prize Committee. The award was endowed by the Shetty family on behalf of Akshay Shetty, who was the first graduating student to have received the honour of being both Lower School (2000) and Upper School (2004) valedictorian.

**The A. J. Silver Leadership Award - Special Achievement (E)**
This award was initiated and endowed by Henry B. Burgoyne ’67 and John G. Walker ’58 and first presented in 1992. The award was instituted to recognize A. Jon Silver’s 25 years of dedicated service to Ridley. It is awarded annually to the graduating student who through quiet leadership and integrity has shown care for his fellow students. Its female counterpart is the Dorothy Burgoyne Award.

**The W. H. Somerville Trophy - Football-Rookie of the Year (E)**
Bill Somerville ’75, spent eight years at Ridley and was a consistent leader on the sports fields in each of those years. He was captain of both football and rugby in his final year. He played both games with passion and
decided in 1975 to return something to his first love, football. Endowed in 2004, the award’s criteria include zeal and sportsmanship.

**The Stephen L. Souter ’81 Memorial Award (E)**
Stephen L. Souter attended Ridley from 1977 until his graduation in 1981. While a student, he found tremendous enjoyment in working behind the scenes as part of the Technical Crews for all of the Ridley productions. Stephen passed away in 2003 and his parents, Kenneth & Betty-Lou and brother Gregory B. ’85, wanted to highlight this aspect of the Ridley Program by endowing the award in his memory with the help of the Head of Drama, Mr. John Sweeney, in 2008. This award is given to the student, who through their contribution to technical theatre production over this school year, has shown a superior dedication and commitment in the staging of one or more of the shows and other special events. It may be given for excellence in lighting, sound, set construction, set design, media enhancement or stage management and is to be selected in the spring of the year, following the major shows by the year's production teams, through the consultation of Ridley's technical staff and the Head of Drama.

**The H. A. Staples Prize - Languages**
Al Staples came to Ridley in 1939 and stayed, happily, until 1979. Al is best known throughout his forty years as the French master and the head swimming coach. He founded the Little Big Four annual swimming tournaments, which now include all the independent schools. He also housemastered in Gooderham and Merritt houses, taught Spanish and Latin and coached and refereed football and basketball. The senior language prize was established in 1979 by his many friends, students and colleagues.

**The H. A. Staples Trophy - Swimming (E)**
This award was created by the swimmers of Al's last team before his retirement from coaching and from the School in 1979. It was first awarded in 1980 to the member of the First Swimming Team who makes an outstanding contribution to the team by personal improvement and/or zeal. Al, Ridley’s First Team swimming coach for forty years, was responsible for establishing the Little Big Four annual swimming tournaments, which now include all the independent schools.

**The Julian Street Memorial Prize for Prose (E)**
Julian L. Street (1879-1947) attended Ridley from 1893 to 1896. He was a founder of ACTA RIDLEIANA, an avid writer and a staunch Old Boy. He wrote frequently to the school’s magazine after graduation and drew several front covers for early editions. He always credited his work with ACTA as the foundation for his own very successful writing career in the United States. He was best known as a gourmet and author of books on wine, food and travel. The prize was established and endowed by his wife in his memory in 1947.

**The Henry James Taylor Trophy (E) - outstanding contribution to rowing**
H. J. Taylor, a lawyer and prominent St. Catharines businessman, entered the brewery business in 1866, one that had been founded by his father in this city in 1834.

**The Upper Canada College Cup - Swimming**
When the New Gymnasium (now the Iggulden Gymnasium) was completed in 1939 to mark Ridley’s 50th anniversary, Upper Canada College of Toronto presented this silver bowl to the School for the school’s individual swimming champion. Its predecessor was the Rogers Cup. Both trophies record the names of the school’s champions in an unbroken chain from 1916. The counterpart to the UCC Cup is the Girl’s Swimming Crown, established in 1982.

**S.D. Vaughan Tier II Girls' Hockey MVP Award (E)**
Mr. Vaughan is the grandfather of Leah ’07, Emily ’08 and Dylan Kocsis ’10. Emily and Leah were keen participants with the Tier Two Girls Team and their parents Tom and Barb chose this as a way to honour Mr. Vaughan.

**F. Kenneth Venables History Prize - Grade 8 (E)**
Mr. Venables was a graduate of 1934 and throughout his life a keen supporter of Cricket. The Venables Prize was originally awarded to the Captain of the first team. When Mr. Venables died his son Michael endowed the prize in his father’s name to preserve his Ridley legacy. With the demise of Cricket in the late 1990’s the prize was converted to a prize for History in the Lower School.

**THE VIRGINIA VICKERS ESSAY AWARD (E)**
This prize is awarded to the student who, in the judgment of the holder of the Cronyn Chair, writes the best short essay (under 1200 words) on any subject during the academic year as part of the coursework in English. While the Julian Street Essay Award rewards longer essays of in-depth literary analysis, this award is established to recognize the fine expository essays on a variety of topics and in a variety of styles. The prize, established and endowed in 2004, honours the work of the Head of the English Department, Miss Virginia Vickers (1988 - 2004).

**THE H. G. WILLIAMS MEMORIAL PRIZE (E) - for Public Reading - Lower School**
Harold G. ‘Rep’ Williams came from England on Dr. Miller’s invitation in 1891 to teach mathematics. He became Headmaster of the first Lower School in 1899 and Joint Principal of Ridley in 1921, a post he held until his retirement in 1932. He was one of Ridley’s great teachers and administrators. Williams Hall in the Lower School is named in his honour. He followed Dr. Miller’s lead in a keen interest in public speaking and reading. This prize, established by the family in 1938 reflects that aspect of his teaching career.

**THE HAROLD A. WILSON MEMORIAL PRIZE - KINESIOLOGY (E)**
Harold A. Wilson (1911-1995) attended Ridley from 1925 to 1930. In 1975, he was inducted into Canada’s Sports Hall of Fame for his contribution to speedboat racing. This included three world championships in that sport in the 1930s. A lifelong Ridley supporter, he was Chairman of the Ingersoll Machine & Tool Co. before his retirement in 1971. This prize was established in 1996 in Harold’s will and by the family. Two Wilson sons, Ernest ’57 and Harold T. ’68 helped to name this award. Harold A.’s wife, Lorna, his lifelong partner even in the boating world, died in 2000.

**WOMEN'S GUILD PRIZE FOR ZEALOUS ACHIEVEMENT IN MERRITT HOUSE SOUTH (E)**
The Ridley College Women’s Guild had its origins in 1923 in Toronto. It was inspired largely by the accumulated sorrow of so many Ridley families who had lost loved ones in the Great War, a sorrow which had led to the building of the Chapel. Their first project in fact, was the furnishings for that great Ridley Memorial. Over the years, the Guild has funded the finishing touches to most of the bricks and mortar projects of the School. The Guild, both at Ridley and in its branches, has also been heavily involved in many areas of Ridley’s life—a great civilizing influence—including furnishings of many sorts, books, bursaries, scholarships, the clothing exchange, prizes and virtually all fund raising events. In 1999, it went ‘co-ed’ becoming the Ridley College Family Guild. This trophy was first presented in 1992 by the London Branch, ten years after Merritt House had divided into two distinct residences. It became fully endowed by the Family Guild in 2003.

[see also Family Guild]

**THE E-A. WOOLLEY PRIZE - MUSIC (E)**
Liz-Ann Woolley, [now Liz-Ann Lawton] a leading member of the Class of 1980 was a prefect and student Head of School Music in her final year. In 1995, she became the first female graduate to be appointed to Ridley’s Board of Governors. This senior Music prize was renamed by her in June 1995. It was first awarded to the student in the OAC music program who demonstrated a high degree of proficiency and a strong involvement in the various musical programs. It is now awarded for the highest average in senior music.

**THE RICHARD B. WRIGHT PRIZE FOR SHORT FICTION**
This prize, formerly the Literary Prize for Short Fiction, is awarded at the Annual Literary Dinner. It was renamed to honour Mr. Richard B. Wright, a faculty member in the English Department (1975-1979, 1985 - 2000). Richard is a renowned Canadian novelist whose many tributes include the Giller Prize and the Governor General’s Award for Fiction in 2001.

**THE DR. ANGELA ZULIANI ‘88 MEMORIAL AWARD (E)**
This trophy is presented to the individual on the Harriers team who has achieved the highest level of performance through dedication and determination.