

# Only 30 receive the Loran Award

Richardson is one of only 71 students from the original 3,200 applicants to be invited for two days of national interviews in Toronto, Ontario. Thirty students in the finalist group will receive Loran Awards.

These scholarships are worth up to \$75,000 over four years of post secondary education at one of the 24 partner universities.

The scholarship includes a summer program, mentorship and participation in a community of past and present Loran scholars.

The only previous student from Summerland to receive this award was Katie Sardinha who received it in 2006.

Learning is like rowing upstream: not to advance is to drop back.  
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## Summerland Secondary School Newsletter

### BIG SCHOLARSHIP WINNER!

The Canadian Merit Scholarship Foundation grants Loran Awards to talented young Canadians on the basis of character, service and leadership potential.

A Loran Award includes four years of funding for undergraduate studies and a comprehensive enrichment program. This year there were 3600 applicants for the award.

After a set of both regional and national interviews 30 students were selected to be finalists. We are very proud to an-

nounce that our own Lindsey Richardson has been selected as a Loran Scholar for 2009.

For those of you who know Lindsey and her work within our community (and beyond) you will not be surprised!

Congratulations Lindsey . Well Done!

# campus tour coming up!





The card dress was made from five decks of cards and poker chips and was made by Amanda Hooper. This garment is part of a "Go Green" assignment and will be entered in the Walk on the Green side Fashion Show at the Penticton Lakeside on April 22.

#### Fashion News

This spring, fashion students from Pen High, Princess Margaret and Summerland Secondary will be heading down to Vancouver for our annual fashion show and post secondary tours. April 1-2 will be the dates of our travels and we will be taking in the year end Kwantlen Fashion Show.

Our tours will include looking at the fashion design programs at Vancouver Community College, The University of the Fraser Valley and The Art Institute.

We will also be doing some fabric shopping at Dress Sew. The cost per student will be \$125.00 and will include hotel, bus, fashion show ticket, and lunch at Sammy's.

## Goodwill Shakespeare Festival

### *What is the Question?*

Our Annual Shakespeare Festival is fast approaching (in early May!) and we need families able and willing to host billets from across the province. Is thou interested? Able? Willing? Please contact Mr. Searcy as soon as possible as he compiles a list of you so we can have an organizational meeting.

Mr. Searcy's phone number is 250-770-7651.

The cost of staying overnight can be problematic for some students and by offering to billet we can ensure that the Shakespeare Festival can be an opportunity for everyone.

To billet or not to billet: That is the question.

# Europe Trip 2010

ALL SSS students WELCOME!!!!

Germany, Austria, Italy, Switzerland, France




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The ultimate goal of the educational system is to shift to the individual the burden of pursuing his education.

**John W. Gardner**

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## Contact John Fry for More information

- Day 1 Bus to Vancouver. Flight direct to Frankfurt, Germany.
- Day 2 Arrive in Frankfurt. Bus immediately to Rothenburg...
- Day 3 Bus to Munich.
- Day 4 Take a guided tour of Munich.  
Leave Munich and cross into Austria. Stop at Innsbruck.
- Day 5 Visit Innsbruck and drive on to Venice. See beautiful Northern Italy.
- Day 6 Spend the day in the most unique city on Earth: Venice. Take a gondola ride.
- Day 7 Leave Venice and travel to Verona. Drive on to Lucerne, Switzerland.
- Day 8 Visit Lucerne. Lucerne is a beautiful Swiss town surrounded by the Swiss Alps. Visit Mt. Pilatus.
- Day 9 Leave Lucerne and head for Heidelberg. Heidelberg is a large scenic university town with many old buildings and a large castle.
- Day 10 Travel to Strasbourg. Strasbourg is the site of the European parliament and combines French and German cultures. Take the TGV (high speed train) to Paris.
- Day 11 Spend the day in Paris. Visit the palace of all palaces: Versailles.
- Day 12 Visit Paris. Visit the Louvre (the greatest art museum in the world.) Go to Montmartre, the Art district.
- Day 13 Depart for home.

Approximate cost \$3589.00 all-inclusive (including Flight, Hotels, Meals, Transportation, Insurance and Tours)

Please contact Mr. Fry at [250-770-7650](tel:250-770-7650) or at [jfry@summer.com](mailto:jfry@summer.com)

### Cell Phones and I-Pods

With the development and advancement of technologies like cell phones and I-Pods we have had to remind students that use of these devices in classes is not allowed unless a teacher has given students permission during that specific period. In circumstances where students must have their cell phones turned on because of emergent situations then this will of course be permitted.

With the onset of text-messaging and photo technology a number of issues have arisen in our classrooms that could not have been foreseen just a few years ago. We ask that you help us reinforce the fact that texting during class time is disruptive to both a student sending a text message and to a student receiving a text message.

On another note we ask parents, guardians and employers to please refrain from calling students during class time.

Thanks for working with us as we continue to struggle with the changes that take place all around us at a mind numbing pace!

## Ringling in a New Schedule

### SSS Block Rotation Schedule Survey

When setting out the times for our school day next year there are a number of factors we will consider. Our students, PAC, and staff have suggested that each of the following areas should be taken into account for our daily schedule. We won't be able to prioritize all of these so we are looking for feedback from all of you before we set out our daily schedule for 2009-2010. Please complete and submit the following survey to our office no later than March 5, 2009.

When considering the length of our school day's breaks and the timing of these breaks, I feel that the following is:

1 Not important at all.....2.....3.....4.....5 Extremely Important

A. Have an extended nutrition break in the early morning for students who do not eat breakfast.

1.....2.....3.....4.....5

B. Have an extended nutrition break in mid-morning due to the later lunch hour.

1.....2.....3.....4.....5

C. Have the same length of lunch to allow for intramurals and clubs.

1.....2.....3.....4.....5

D. Begin school day at the same time to allow for early morning classes.

1.....2.....3.....4.....5

E. End school day at the same time to allow for student work schedules.

1.....2.....3.....4.....5

Once we have gathered this information we will produce a daily schedule for 2009/10. For further input, please come to our March PAC meeting.

\*\*Note: Any change in times that affect the beginning or ending of the school day would be limited by the bus schedule and would have to be approved at the School Board level.

**Comments/Suggestions:**