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(From left) Greg Schatzmann, Elizabeth (Liz) Simpson, Lindsey Harren, and Justin Allin at CJLX. Loyalist College's radio station is celebrating its 30th year on air. The radio station provides students in the radio program great learning opportunities along with coverage of all school events.

# Radio station celebrates 30 years

By Hunter Middleton

A celebration is underway at Loyalist College campus as on-campus radio station CJLX memorializes 30 years on air.

Excitement is building this October as students from the past, present, and possibly even the future, along with members of the community, share in listening to help celebrate the anniversary of Loyalist College's radio station.

While causal markings of on-air acknowledgements, signage, and T-shirts have started off the recognition of the milestone earlier throughout this year, a

celebration is planned to ramp up with on-air greetings from former staff and alumni and the possible return of the annual volunteer and awards dinner potentially to be held next March.

Integrated deeply within the Quinte community, CJLX, also called 91X, is proudly known for its alternative rock and its up-and-coming broadcasters from Loyalist's radio broadcasting, and journalism programs and its amazing community volunteers. While many of the on-air staff are made up of students and community volunteers, there is no lack of professionalism, approach and ability from the team. Between the cov-

erage of the Lancers home games, to being a part of almost every local event, this campus station can hold its own against the commercial stations in the area.

The radio station, like everything over time, has experienced changes to stay relevant with the times, noted Station Manager Greg Schatzmann.

"The biggest change has been technology, particularly computer automation. When the radio station signed on, there were not any computers running the station. Now, computers are integrated into almost every aspect of how the station functions," he said in an email response.

While these changes kept the station

up with the times, other changes were implemented to help the station continue running during the difficult time presented by COVID-19 and the pandemic.

The lack of access for the community volunteers provided difficulty in programming due to the remote production, Schatzmann stated. Advertising also took a hit due to the struggle and negative impact that COVID inflicted upon many of the local businesses in the area, he added.

CJLX is continuing its celebration this year with the future still in mind. What areas are going to continue to grow?

While student enrolment numbers have been down in the radio broadcasting and journalism programs, the open invitation to join the station team extends to non-radio students and community members.

The next step for the station includes the expanding and strengthening of connections in various groups within both the college and outside community. The station is readily waiting for new people to possibly join the station in one of the many ways.

For further information, email CJLX at [manager@91x.fm](mailto:manager@91x.fm) or go to its website at <https://91x.fm>

# Lancers fight hard battle against Niagara

By Kenzie Friesen

Loyalist College sports fans roared and cheered in a way that they didn't since before the pandemic as the Loyalist Lancers put their whole hearts into the game against the Niagara Knights on Sept. 30.

The first quarter came alive as the Lancers fought hard with the Knights, and their passion on the court only doubled after Janee Harrison from the Knights got away with scoring the first basket of the game, which was a three-point jump shot.

The first basket by the Lancers was shot by Monalique Knights, after showing her impeccable blocking skills, which prevented the Knights from scoring two more points. As the intense first quarter of the game raged on, the two teams played with intensity and dedication until they reached a close score of 18-12 for the Knights, ending the first quarter, and entering the second.

The Lancers played through the second quarter of the game with incredible blocking by Jessyka Maliksi, Nicole Taylo and Grace Callahan. The scoreboard read 31-19 for the Niagara Knights, until Cianah Miller entered the game, and was able to shoot three baskets for her team, bringing the games score to 23-33. Despite Miller's best efforts, the second quarter of the game ended up with a score of 35-23.

At this point in the game, the entire crowd had lit up the basketball court with their support, so much so that the Loyalist cafeteria also ended up joining in and watching the game and helped increase the cheers as they enjoyed their lunches. Many students and teachers be-

gan to gather around watching the game, not even realizing how much they have missed attending sporting events at the college. "It just feels very nice to be able to go and watch the games again, I forgot how much I missed that until I got here!" said a student who gave her first name, Navjot, as she gathered around the game eating lunch and cheering with her friends.

The third quarter of the game began with intensity from both teams as they ramped up the score almost immediately after the buzzer went off. This time it was Vanessa Wilton of the Lancers who assisted Miller in scoring the most points in the quarter, Miller scoring six points for her team while Wilton scored two.

The score was 58-40 by the time the fourth quarter began with the Knights still in the lead. That is until Miller came back in the game giving the Lancers two more points, making the score 58-42; the closest score the game so far. As the game advanced, almost all players ended up rotating between the bench and the court, as different timeouts, fouls, and steals occurred more by both the Lancers and the Knights, making the Loyalist gym and cafeteria louder than ever as the sound of the final buzzer crept closer.

The game ended with a score of 67-51 for the Knights, and even though the Lancers did not end up winning the game, the electric cheers and support from the crowd gave everyone a warm welcome back into the excitement of the game that hopefully lives on into the rest of the season.



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The Loyalist Lancers faced off against the Niagara Knights in late September action. Cianah Miller takes her shot against Knight's guard Elisabeth Deboer during the intense third quarter of the very close game. Lancers went on to lose 35-23.