

# Loyalist College Honours Napanee Author

## Charles Beale Receives Distinction Award 2010

Loyalist College announced its Alumni Awards at a gala dinner held last Saturday in the campus's Club 213. Charles Beale of Napanee, a graduate of the Communication Arts Program in 1970, received the Alumni Distinction Award 2010 in recognition of success in his chosen field of journalism. Beale's passion for writing was evident during his time at Loyalist, as one of the first school newspaper editors. He went on to lead a successful career as a teacher in Lennox & Addington and Prince Edward Counties and the City of Ottawa. Beale has a B. A. from Queen's/Carleton Universities, a B. Ed. from the University of Ottawa and Specialists in both Visual Arts and Physical Education. He became a consultant and then administrator with the Ottawa Board of Education until his retirement.

Throughout the years Charles Beale collected art and antiques, operating businesses in Port Hope and Prescott. He has renovated and restored many houses, winning awards over the years in Carleton Place, Port Hope and Prescott.

In 2005, Beale began freelance writing for the Ottawa Citizen and Eastern Ontario newspapers, as well as Harrowsmith, The Upper Canadian Antique magazine and others. In 2006 he began the research for his just published book, *Manly E. MacDonald - Interpreter of Old Ontario*, launched at the John M. Parrott Art Gallery in October of this year. It is now available in book stores across the province. Beale noticed the influence of his time at Loyalist College through his writing and said, "What better illustration of the power of a community college education."

The Alumni Distinction Awards were created to honour both the contributions Loyalist College graduates make to their respective communities as well as the success they achieve in their chosen fields.