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## Editor's Note

My daughter loves to tell stories. She likes to talk, so it is natural that stories are shared on a regular basis. She devours books that feed her healthy imagination, and she is becoming very adept at creating her own short stories. Reviewing her creative writing that was sent home before parent-teacher interviews created several proud parent moments as we read comments from her teacher. Her ability to paint a picture with her words is quite impressive for an eight-year-old.

The ability to tell stories comes naturally to some, for others it requires much discipline and practice. Inherent or learned, the skills of a storyteller often give a voice to a subject that would otherwise go unheard—shed light on an individual or scenario that would otherwise remain in the shadows.

Storytelling is not limited to writers. As the pages of this issue will reveal, there are many stories waiting to be told, they just need the right person to bring life to the story. The vast array of forensic specialties attempts to do just that—tell stories that would otherwise remain silent.

Read about Lara Shychoski (BSc'02), who studies bones—of prehistoric animals and from an historic crime scene—to reveal stories that would otherwise remain buried in the soil.

Find out how Major Richard Groves (DMD'90) used his expertise as a forensic odontologist to identify victims of the tragic Swissair flight 111 crash off the coast of Nova Scotia.

Learn how Martin Kenney (LLB'83) tracks down fraudsters to bring justice to people who try hard to keep the facts permanently hidden in the shadows for financial gain.

Ross Cheriton (BE'43) shares how methodical tenacity and patience are needed to let the evidence of an accident disclose the truth it holds.

I hope you enjoy the stories contained in these pages. And as always, we would like to hear your stories. Send them to [alumni.office@usask.ca](mailto:alumni.office@usask.ca).

You have the opportunity to tell us how our stories are through our readership survey. Your feedback is important, so please take the time to complete the survey on page seven.

Derrick Kunz, BComm'96, Editor

## Letters

As the commitment co-leaders for the sustainability commitment in the University of Saskatchewan's Second Integrated Plan, we were very pleased to see sustainability featured in the latest issue of the *Green and White*. Unfortunately, an opportunity was missed to highlight the sustainability commitment and the significant work that is being undertaken to integrate sustainability not only into campus operations, but also into education, research, community engagement and governance. In addition, the Office of Sustainability was not mentioned; their work has been instrumental in moving the sustainability agenda forward, and they are heavily involved in the work of the sustainability commitment.

While a number of campus sustainability initiatives were listed in the issue, these didn't capture the depth and breadth of the approach to sustainability that is being brought forward by the Sustainability Commitment Working Group, the outcome of which will be a comprehensive Campus Sustainability Plan. We are concerned that the issue of the *Green and White* under-represented the extent to which sustainability is changing the campus

landscape. For example, the issue did not mention President MacKinnon's recent signing of two significant documents: the University and College Presidents' Climate Change Statement of Action for Canada and the 2010 G-8 University Summit Statement of Action on Sustainability. Both of these are significant public commitments to sustainability.

We feel that many alumni would be interested in understanding more about the extent of the activity and commitment to sustainability on campus.

Sincerely,

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*Editor's Note: This letter has been edited for length.*

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## President's Message

It was just four years ago that the University of Saskatchewan celebrated the centennial of its founding. Although it is a memory, it is one that will be etched in my mind—and the minds of many of our faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends—for a lifetime.

As the years pass, we will come to celebrate many more 100th anniversary milestones in the life of our university. We have already celebrated the College of

Arts and Science's centennial, and in the coming years we will commemorate the centennials of Huskie Athletics (2012), the Colleges of Engineering (2012), Agriculture and Bioresources (2012), Law (2012), and Pharmacy and Nutrition (2013), and the Edwards School of Business/College of Commerce (2014).

This spring, the hundredth University of Saskatchewan graduating class will become members of convocation. The class of 1912, our first graduating class, was modest in size with eight individuals. Our first alumni became war heroes, scholars, politicians and business people. They raised families and used their education to work the land and provide sustenance for a growing province, country and world. These men and women set the tone for a budding institution.

Since that first graduating class—the class that laid the first stone of a foundation of success—we have gathered many stories of successful graduates. Our alumni have built upon that foundation for 100 years now and continue to make a significant impact in almost every imaginable field and profession in every corner of the globe—each generation building upon the accomplishments of their forbearers.

This foundation of success has earned the U of S a reputation as a world leader in many areas, particularly in the areas of human, animal and plant sciences. Our campus physically displays that achievement in our facilities. We are establishing a nuclear research centre that will enable us to recapture our role as leaders in nuclear medicine, nuclear science and engineering, and new materials research. This will complement the work being done at the Canadian Light Source, Canada's only synchrotron and one of the nation's largest science facilities, and the Saskatchewan Research Council's two existing reactors on campus. The Academic Health Sciences facility currently under construction represents an innovative and collaborative approach to the delivery of health science education and care—an approach that will equip students to provide better service as collaborative health professionals.

These are just two examples of the dynamic impact the U of S and our graduates will continue to have on our community. The accomplishments of our 100th graduating class are yet to be determined, but I have no doubt that they will continue to build upon the tradition of success that began with our first graduating class and help make the U of S an honoured place among the best.

Peter MacKinnon, President, University of Saskatchewan

## Voting for U of S Senate Members

As a result of the call for nominations for University of Saskatchewan Senate, six nominations were received for five member-at-large positions. All members of convocation and senate are eligible to vote in the member-at-large election. Voting will be conducted electronically and will be open at noon Monday, May 16, 2011 and remain open until 4:30 p.m. June 30, 2011.

To vote you will need a U of S Network Service Identifier Number (NSID) and a password. All graduates have NSIDs and passwords; if you do not know your NSID number or password, please contact the Customer Service Centre at University Advancement at 966-5186 or 1-800-699-1907 or by e-mail at [alumni.office@usask.ca](mailto:alumni.office@usask.ca).

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## Advancing Nuclear Studies at the U of S

The U of S will move ahead to establish a nuclear research centre thanks to a seven year, \$30 million funding commitment from the Government of Saskatchewan.

The university has a strong history of nuclear research—a history that includes pioneering the use of Cobalt 60 in cancer treatment in the early 1960s, a SLOWPOKE research reactor run by the Saskatchewan Research Council, a tokamak fusion reactor housed in the Physics Building and the Canadian Light Source synchrotron.

The proposed centre—unofficially named the Institute for Nuclear Studies (INS)—will cover a broad range of study with particular focus on nuclear medicine, nuclear science and engineering, and materials science.

Hiring an interim director and forming a business plan and governance structure are immediate priorities for the INS. Activities at the centre will begin this year with a small staff coordinating research programs across campus and is expected to create 12 new faculty

## Phytotron Gets Funding for Upgrades

The College of Agriculture and Bioresources will be able to complete upgrades to its phytotron facility—a facility that enables year-long plant growth for testing in a variety of conditions by controlling variables such as light, humidity and temperature—thanks to \$6.5 million in funding. The federal government, through Western Economic Diversification, is contributing \$4.5 million, the Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture is providing \$2 million and \$3 million is coming from the university. Saskatchewan Pulse Growers and Western Grains Research Foundation previously committed \$1 million each.



Mark de Jong



photo by Mark Ferguson

Saskatchewan Premier Brad Wall (BA'87) (left), the Hon. Sylvia Fedoruk (BA'49, MA'51, LLD'06), co-inventor of the Cobalt 60 unit, Rob Norris, Saskatchewan Minister of Advanced Education, Employment and Immigration, and President Peter MacKinnon (LLM'76) pose with a piece of a betatron used for cancer treatment in the past.

positions, six new staff positions, and support 30 graduate students and post-doctoral fellows by 2016.

Two days after the INS funding announcement, a joint federal and provincial announcement was made committing \$17 million for an advanced research cyclotron, a particle accelerator to be used for research into isotope use and detection technologies for medical

diagnosis and treatment. It will also produce isotopes for the province's first PET-CT scan, which will be funded jointly by the province and the Royal University Hospital Foundation.

The existing Animal Resources Centre located between the Canadian Light Source and the Western College of Veterinary Medicine is being explored as a possible location for the cyclotron facility.

## "Milkotron" Gets Funding

Referencing other large investments at the university—the phytotron and cyclotron—Federal Agriculture Minister Gerry Ritz announced support for the "milkotron", the long-awaited dairy research facility.

Approved by the Board of Governors in 2009, the project will proceed thanks to funding from Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Western Economic Diversification, the Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture, the university, private donors and industry groups.

Original plans were to locate the new facility on the site of the current dairy barn, which was built in 1972. Housing a larger herd necessitates its relocation to an area on campus south of East Road next to Preston Avenue.

## Medical Isotope Project at CLS

The Canadian Light Source (CLS) synchrotron will lead a project to begin proving the feasibility of producing medical isotopes using an electron linear accelerator. The proof of the concept has already been done by the National Research Council; whether that can be scaled up to produce isotopes of commercial interest or not is the question they hope to answer.

Natural Resources Canada committed \$10 million for the project in January, and the Saskatchewan government will contribute another \$2 million.

Mark de Jong, CLS deputy director and director of accelerators, says that as one of only two Canadian science facilities with expertise in the use of linear accelerators, the CLS has somewhat of an obligation to contribute to the project.

## U of S Water Week

The U of S celebrated Water Week March 21–25 by hosting a series of lectures and events.

Among those that presented were Allan Casey (BA'86), author of the 2010 Governor General's Award winning book *Lakeland: Journeys into the Soul of Canada*, Howard Wheeler, Canada Excellence Research Chair (CERC) in Water Security, and John Pomeroy (BSc'83, PhD'88), Canada Research Chair in Water Resources and Climate Change.

On World Water Day, March 22, the new Global Institute for Water Security at the University of Saskatchewan was officially launched. Located in Environment Canada's National Hydrology Research Centre at Innovation Place, the institute brings people together from across the university to work closely with partners—in particular Environment Canada, Ag Canada and the Saskatchewan Research Council—to capitalize on the strengths on campus and focus on some of the water challenges we face.

Lectures can be viewed online at [www.usask.ca/water/water-week](http://www.usask.ca/water/water-week).

## President MacKinnon to Step Down in 2012

On March 4, President Peter MacKinnon informed the Board of Governors of his decision to step down from his role as president of the U of S on June 30, 2012.

A combination of circumstances—such as an able and experienced Board of Governors, a collegial, integrated and very able group of senior executives, a stable budget and planning cycle, and an experienced chancellor—led MacKinnon to determine, “This is as good a time as any for that transition [to a new president].”

MacKinnon plans to stay in Saskatoon and hopes to write about his experiences as president or his understanding of the evolution of the University of Saskatchewan and its connection to the province.

MacKinnon will be the third longest serving president at the U of S, behind Walter Murray (1908–37) and John W.T. Spinks (1959–74).

The Board of Governors has begun the search for the next U of S president.

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**Brad** started his career in the heart of Canada's Parliament and now works for the **Associate Vice-President, Information and Communications Technology**. In his spare time, you'll find him waxing show cars. He recently took our **Business Writing and Grammar Workout** to help polish his skills outside the garage.

### Brad Flavell

2007-BA History & Philosophy (U of S)  
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**Tong Wu**, an international student from China, enjoys curling in winter, barbecuing in summer and watching TV sports with his **homestay family**. Chris is currently studying English at the **University of Saskatchewan Language Centre** and will move on to full-time studies at the U of S when he completes his program.

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## Law Students Win International Award



Mediation Advocacy Moot Team (l-r) John Sanche, Lucilla Longo, Gillian Gough, coach Kathryn Ford, QC, Markel Chernenkoff, Kelly Canham, assistant coach Glen Gardner and Sabina Arulampalam

The U of S Mediation Advocacy Moot Team, a group of students who compete in simulated legal trials, won three awards in London, England at the International Academy of Dispute Resolution's 10th Annual International Law School Mediation Tournament, March 25–26.

Six College of Law students and their two coaches won an award for Outstanding New International Mediation Program, given to those selected as the best new programs at the competition.

These results cap off a successful year for college's moot teams. The Jessup Moot Team won the much-coveted Spirit of the Jessup Award in Calgary in early March, distinguishing them as the team that best represents the true spirit of the competition. The Western Canada Moot Team won the national Sopinka Cup in Ottawa after winning the MacIntyre Cup at the Western Canada regional level in Edmonton in February.

Source: U of S News Release

## iPortal

Over 25,000 full-text records are now available through the Indigenous Studies Portal (iPortal), providing learning and research opportunities by connecting people from around the world with specialized indigenous studies resources.

The University of Saskatchewan Library project links full-text indigenous-related electronic resources—such as e-books, articles, theses, websites, video, photographs, diaries and anthropological field material—not available through the library catalogue or internet search.



Joan Greyeyes (BA'79, PGD'79, MEd'05), special advisor on Aboriginal issues, was among the speakers at the Jan. 25 event to celebrate iPortal.

## Huskies to Celebrate 100 Years

Huskie Athletics will celebrate its 100th anniversary during the 2011–12 season.

The Hon. Sylvia Fedoruk (BA'49, MA'51, LLD'06)—a member of 12 intersarsity championship teams—is the honorary chair of the centennial celebrations planning committee. University of Saskatchewan Chancellor Vera Pezer (BA'62, MA'64, PhD'77)—a four-time Canadian ladies' curling champion, a Canadian softball champion and a two-time member of the Saskatchewan senior women's golf team—is chairperson of the committee.

Celebrations will encompass four themes: heritage, alumni, education and legacy. The goals of the year-long celebration are to promote and enhance the student-athlete experience, provide a legacy for Huskie Athletics and to pay tribute to past and present Huskie Athletics stakeholders.

Centennial celebrations will kick-off September 10, 2011, at the University of Saskatchewan Athletics Wall of Fame event. Nomination information can be found at [www.huskies.usask.ca/walloffame](http://www.huskies.usask.ca/walloffame). Source: Huskie Athletics



## Kloppenburgs Donate Sculptures

Henry (BA'65, LLB'68) and Cheryl (BA'70, Arts'71, LLB'75, MA'75) Kloppenburg donated a 55-piece collection of Inuit sculpture to the University of Saskatchewan in January. The collection, which includes art from dozens of artists from 14 different communities in the Canadian Arctic, is now on permanent display in the College of Agriculture and Bioresources.

Both Henry and Cheryl are among the University of Saskatchewan 100 Alumni of Influence.

*Mother and Child with Bear Spirit, a stone and antler carving by Christine Aaluk Sivanertak of Naujaat (Repulse Bay), is one of the 55 pieces in the new Henry and Cheryl Kloppenburg Collection of Inuit Sculpture.*

photo by Mark Ferguson



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# The **by Mark A. Ferguson** **Bone** **photos by Brandon Strilisky** Collector

*Lara Shychoski finds herself living the dream of a child, but it was not always so enchanting.*

**I**t is the kind of career you dream about as a kid. Traveling the world in search of the remains of creatures that lived millions of years ago. Picking up the pieces and putting them back together. Working in a museum surrounded by some of the biggest and most robust dinosaurs that ever walked the earth.

For Lara Shychoski (BSc'02), studying dinosaurs was never what she set out to do, but now the 30-year-old finds herself living in Drumheller, Alberta, in the midst of completing her PhD from the University of Alberta. And with a five-month-old daughter running around, Shychoski says she feels like a kid once again.

“It’s so interesting now, being with my first child and living in Drumheller, and there are dinosaurs everywhere,” says Shychoski. “Although most of the paleontologists I know around here are so overwhelmed by their surroundings, that their kids want nothing to do with dinosaurs as they grow up... I always thought I would grow up to be a veterinarian, and here I am researching dead things. It’s a long way off from where I thought I would be at this point in my life.”

Many archaeologists will tell you that studying fossils such as dinosaurs is the search to understand ourselves—where we came from and how we got to this point of evolution. So when Shychoski says she is researching dead things, it seems in jest. In fact, she has spent the last several years, including the work she accomplished on her masters in Bristol, England, re-animating the king of all dinosaurs, the Tyrannosaurus Rex.

Her research is changing long-held theories on the movement of the T-Rex, and more specifically, the way that they devoured their prey. One of the conclusions she has come to is that T-Rex did not thrash around with prey in its mouth, like a shark for example, but rather by moving its head up and down, front to back, more in the same way that a hawk or eagle would pull back the flesh of its kill. Makes sense, she says, “as they are both raptors.”

Shychoski has developed techniques that utilize the technology of CT scans to re-create the entire head of many of the world’s largest T-Rex specimens, including Scotty, the beloved mascot of Eastend, Saskatchewan’s T-Rex Discovery Centre.

“Scotty is possibly the largest T-Rex out there,” she says. “There are others, like Sue from the Field Museum in Chicago that have been described as larger, but when you examine the bones and the skeleton of Scotty, you can see that that he is so robust. His bone structure and shape is just fascinating.”

With a skull that measures five-feet long, recreating Scotty was no simple task, as CT scanners can usually handle about two-foot specimens. So, Shychoski ran 30 separate pieces of Scotty’s skull through the scanners before coming up with enough information to recreate a 3D model. It is providing valuable information about the strong and weak points of T-Rex specimens. And despite what we might think, there are actually

a dozen different species in the family Tyrannosauridae, “and some were as large as Scotty or as small as a dog, but they all exhibit similar traits.”

Although the fossils she studies are technically no longer bones by the time she runs them through the scanners, it was studying bones as an undergraduate at the University of Saskatchewan that sparked her interest in the field.

Shychoski’s first encounter with the world of bones was in a class taught by Professor Brian Pratt, now head of the Department of Geology. He taught Shychoski about sedimentary and the environmental factors that make the ground ideal for finding fossils. He took the class out into the field on several occasions, and in her words, it was “addictive.”

Having had a taste, Shychoski enrolled in more classes of the same vein, including a class taught by Professor Ernie Walker (BEd’71, BA’72, Arts’73, MA’78). Walker’s area of expertise in anthropology and archeology fascinated Shychoski. So when Walker was approached by the RCMP in 2002 for help on a difficult case, a group of students from the U of S, including Shychoski, were eager to help despite the difficult and horrifying environment they were about to be thrown into.

Professor Walker led his team of researchers to the Robert Pickton pig farm near Port Coquitlam, BC. The RCMP needed help identifying the bones of what we now know

were dozens of women from the Vancouver area.

“If you thought about what you were doing too much, it would become difficult. But when we went there as students, you have a mindset that you know what you’re doing, and every bone we found would tell us a story.”

Shychoski says the RCMP were very good at making sure the efforts of the research team were put in context—helping the families of the victims—and that gave them some comfort despite the situation.

“A lot of people did have a tough time working on the farm, especially with the media there and their exaggeration of what was going on. But the whole experience with Dr. Walker got me thinking about what we can learn from bones.”

Bones tell the story, and for Shychoski, it’s taken her from the Pickton farm to the heart of Canada’s dinosaur Mecca.

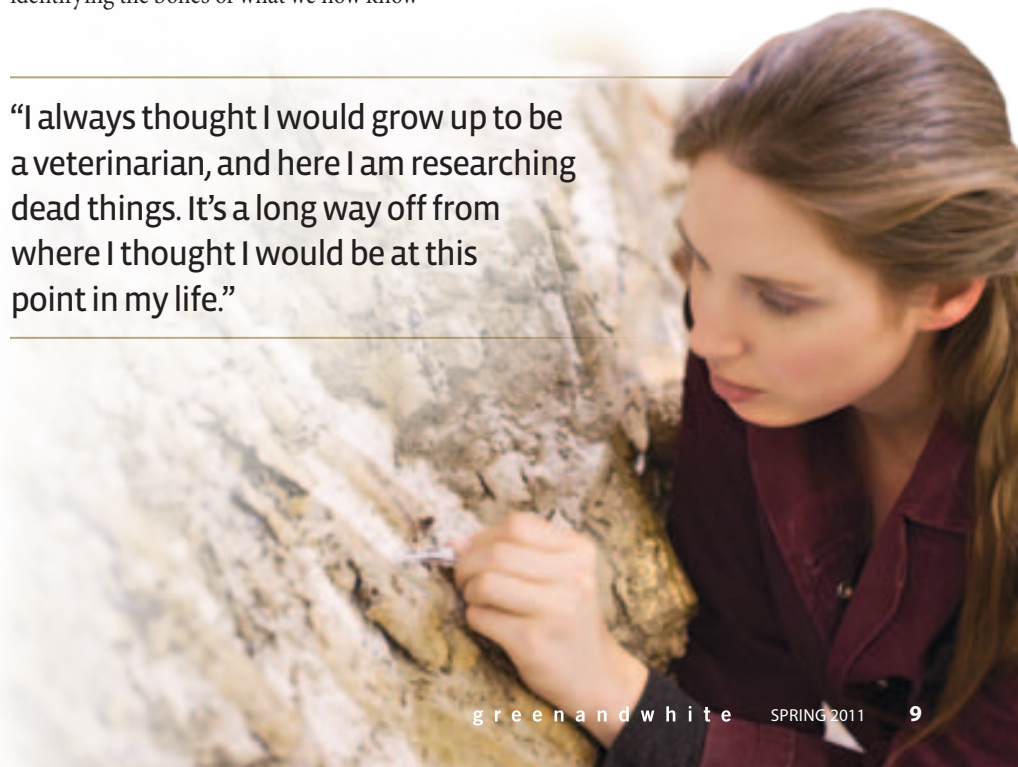
She says she has seen bones in all sorts of decomposition and how that affects their fossilization.

“I look at bones differently now as they all have their own characteristics. The things we do during our lives, like the amount of exercise and how that translates into muscle and bone growth, tell a story about us. I want to know how extinct animals used their bodies, and looking at bones is the best way to find that out.” ■

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by Beverly Fast

# When Disaster Strikes:

## Forensic Dentistry and Disaster Victim Identification

*Background image: Swissair flight 111 memorial at Peggy's Cove, Nova Scotia.*

When Swissair flight 111 crashed into the ocean off the coast of Nova Scotia in 1998, the impact rattled windows, shook homes and woke residents in nearby communities. The shockwaves reached even further.

It was just after 10:30 p.m. on September 2nd when the sirens in Peggy's Cove went off. News that a jetliner had gone down had Coast Guard ships racing to the area and local fishermen taking to their boats to join the search for survivors. In shallow seas about 14 kilometres offshore, they were met with the grim evidence of disaster. Flight 111 was travelling at an estimated 550 kilometres an hour when it hit the water. The jet shattered on impact, killing all 229 passengers and crew.

When disaster strikes, the emergency rescue response is immediate. But an investigative process spanning federal, provincial, municipal and even international boundaries is also set in motion. One line of inquiry seeks to find out what happened and why. Another seeks to identify the victims—a task that requires the skills of a multidisciplinary team.

Major Richard Groves (DMD'90) remembers getting the call asking him to stand ready. A career military man, Major Groves graduated from the Royal Military College of Canada with a Bachelor of Science in Honours Mathematics and Physics in 1979. He served as a communications and electronics engineering officer around the world before switching his career focus to dentistry. As a member of the military, he was able to apply to schools across the country. The five-year

program brought him to the University of Saskatchewan, where he graduated with his Doctor of Dental Medicine in 1990. Two years later, he took a training course in forensic odontology through the US Armed Forces Institute of Pathology.

“After I took the course, I was on the list of people who could be used for disaster victim identification (DVI) operations,” Major Groves says. Six years later, about to embark on his first mission as a member of the Canadian Forces Dental Services (CFDS) Forensic Team, he remembers being both nervous and excited. “I had no actual experience with dental forensics—it’s an essential military skill because we have to be able to identify soldiers lost in battle, but it’s not something you use frequently.”

Still, the desire to help was strong. He arrived in Halifax two weeks after the crash. By that time, a temporary morgue had been set up at CFB Shearwater outside Halifax. “We got off the plane at noon and by 2:00 p.m. we were busy in the morgue. It was surreal,” he says. “The process was well established so we just started working. There was so much to be done, and you want to be useful.”

Over the following weeks, Major Groves joined pathologists, nurses, radiologists, x-ray technicians, RCMP photographers and fingerprint technicians, DNA specialists and other dentists working to identify human remains recovered from the sea, the shore and the submerged wreckage. Only one victim was visually identifiable. The remaining 228 had to be identified through a combination of medical and dental detective work.

The forensic dentistry involved several tasks. The most difficult, both physically and emotionally, was the autopsy. The force of the impact meant Major Groves and his colleagues were working with fragments. “They didn’t find every part of every person. At times, we were working with a single tooth attached to a bit of bone.”

In forensic dentistry, it’s the details that count. “Whether it’s the tilt of a tooth root, the length of a root or the grid pattern of a bone, every detail is important. Sometimes, using dental records we could be sure. When we weren’t sure, we shared what we had and let the others narrow the focus. It’s better to say you don’t know than to guess wrong. It’s absolutely essential that you don’t misidentify anyone,” Major Groves says.

After taking x-rays and charting dental remains, he and his colleagues would compare the results with existing dental records. “One of the most frustrating things was that we didn’t have dental records for everybody. By the time we closed down, we were only able to identify about half of the victims using dental records.”

In lieu of dental evidence, the RCMP contacted next of kin and police in 12 different countries to collect fingerprints and DNA samples from victims’ homes. By December, all of the victims had been identified—approximately 90 through dental records, another 30 through fingerprints and x-rays, and more than 100 through DNA analysis. The analysis remains

one of the largest DNA identification projects ever undertaken in Canada.

In 1998, Major Groves was one of the junior forensic dentists on the team; today, he is one of the most senior. Currently the staff officer responsible for dental policy at National Defence Headquarters in Ottawa, he also holds the position of CFDS forensic odontologist.



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*Major Richard Groves*

In 2010, he organized the CFDS component of the DVI team that travelled to Haiti to identify Canadian victims of the earthquake. It was only the second time a CFDS DVI team had been pulled together. As in the Swissair flight 111 disaster, the efforts of Canadian Forces forensic dentists helped bring closure and a sense of peace to the families of victims.

The CFDS has approximately 25 personnel trained in DVI, either through the US program or the British Columbia Forensic Odontology Response Team in Vancouver. ■



by Craig Silliphant  
photos by Neil Massey

# The Fruits of Fraud



The mere mention of asset recovery might make one's eyes glaze over, but this highly specialized field takes place in a thrilling world of intrigue—and Martin Kenney is the James Bond of this high stakes milieu.

Kenney (LLB'83) and his team at Martin Kenney & Co.—an international investigative and litigative law practice based in the British Virgin Islands—help people and organizations that have been harmed by fraud and other economic crimes. One could dramatize Kenney's story by saying he had yearned to halt fraudsters since his youth, but his venture into this particular branch of law is much more innocuous.

"I was in Saskatchewan when I was 17," laughs Kenney, "and I was asked for the yearbook what I wanted to do. I said I wanted to be an international lawyer, to which my friends asked, 'Why would you want to do that?' They were laughing at me. I said, 'It sounds good because you get to travel around the world in

airplanes,' which was a stupid response by a 17-year-old. I really didn't understand what this was all about until I fell into it."

After moving around Canada throughout his childhood, Kenney attended high school at Notre Dame College in Wilcox, SK. He received his Bachelor of Arts from the University of Regina and made the trek to Saskatoon to get his law degree from the University of Saskatchewan. He was then off to England to earn his Masters in International Business Law.

After articling in British Columbia, in the field of civil litigation, securities fraud, and criminal law—a move which started him down his ultimate path—Kenney ended up in the private sector in Victoria, B.C. There, he found a mentor in an Irish barrister named Dermond Owen Flood. "I had to join him in his office after court on Friday afternoons for a series of cocktail champagnes," remembers Kenney. "I was trained by a great character."

In the years that followed, Kenney worked all over the world, eventually starting his own practice. He now represents victims and claimants who are assailed by fraud and all manner of Ponzi-style schemes and attempts to recover their assets. To quote the hardboiled detective Jake Gittes from the film *Chinatown*, Kenney must "follow the money."

"[We] trace the value all over the world," he explains. "The mission is to find out what happened—how it was laundered, layered, and integrated into the legitimate economy. We want to locate what we call the 'fructus sceleris,' a Latin phrase meaning 'fruits of fraud.' Once we find and freeze the asset, we would go into an open form of litigation, usually ferociously fought by the other side."

It may seem like all this fraud and intrigue only happens in far-off countries, but this could not be further from the truth. Not only are our own citizens victims of this crime, the dirty money ends up in our backyard more than we think.

"In one case," says Kenney, "there was \$256 million stolen from 456,218 elderly people [through a lottery scam]. The money was laundered off-shore through various structures, through the Netherlands and Chile. It went through the Caribbean and Barbados and ended up back in Canada to buy shares in

a series of [Alberta] companies—over \$175 million worth of properties. The money can float right back to where it began. It's all very sinister and wicked, but it happens every day."

If one side of Kenney's practice is finding and recovering money, the other side is the psychological aspect. After losing all their money, Kenney's clients are often incredibly distraught.

"I've had people who had heart attacks or were suicidal," he shares. "It's like hospital emergency ward lawyering. The client comes in bleeding, in not only economic terms, but also psychological. You have to patch them and give them confidence that they

"I've had my share of death threats and everything else," admits Kenney. "We're talking about a very serious criminal who steals a lot of money. If you deprive them of that money, they just go absolutely crazy. In some cases, like in the Ukraine for example, a human is worth about \$500 in terms of what it costs to have someone killed. Our work is not a joke in terms of risk."

Despite the occupational hazards, it is apparent Kenney has had a rich and rewarding career—he gets to follow his passion for litigation and help those who have been wronged.

"What I learned in leaving Canada as a young person after finishing my education," says



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can take on these bad guys and win back their money—and maybe even get some criminal justice. Sometimes it's not just about the money but also the idea of criminal justice.”

Kenney fronts a growing multi-disciplinary team of 25 people, including former officials from international law enforcement bodies like the RCMP, FBI, CIA, and MI6. They utilize methods that range from computer expertise to undercover work. Because they are dealing with dangerous criminals, there is a large element of personal danger for Kenney and his team.

Kenney, “is that the world is a lot different than Canada, a tougher and more brutal place in some respects. However, the values taught in Canada are excellent and can be applied to help folks all over the world. I would encourage young law students that are interested in litigation and justice to consider a career doing what I do. Each case is a massive puzzle that is fascinating to figure out. It's also limitless in terms of having the opportunity to do really good work that helps folks. It restores them to a sense of good health and well-being.” ■

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W. Ross Cheriton can be regarded as one of the top engineers in Canada. During his 40-year career as a forensic engineer, his expert testimony helped determine the outcome of many cases in and out of the courtroom.

# TESTIMONY TO THE TRUTH

by Stephen Johnson

Born in Assiniboia, Saskatchewan, Cheriton (BE'43) grew up on a farm during the Great Depression. He partially credits his time on the farm to his eventual career in engineering. "Living and working on a farm forces a person to constantly analyze and fix some problem," remembers Cheriton. "These are also skills necessary to be a good engineer. Like many farm boys during the depression, I decided to go into engineering."

He attended the University of Saskatchewan from 1939–43 and obtained his Bachelor of Science in Engineering. After finishing university, Cheriton served two years in the Canadian Navy during World War II.

Cheriton eventually started a successful engineering firm in Edmonton, Alberta. He did not actively seek a job in forensic engineering. "During the mid-1960s, I was approached to give testimony on a car accident case that went to court. My testimony went quite well, and the phone started to ring. Soon, I had developed something of a reputation and was accepting cases across Canada. I never sought out the career and did not have to do promotion to get work."

Forensic engineering may appear to be a complicated profession to most people. Cheriton had a knack of explaining complex scientific principles in a clear and concise manner. “Forensic engineering is the act of investigating various problems of a public nature and being able to explain those problems. You also need the ability to explain very technical material in a manner that a judge or jury will understand.”

Cheriton is also very clear in understanding the role he played in helping cases being decided outside of court. “It has been my experience that insurance companies and commercial organizations try to avoid a case going to court. Cases of a technical matter can often be drawn-out and very expensive. It is not cheap to hire a forensic engineer, but I once had an insurance company say, ‘Take your time but get it right.’ Mistakes can be very costly.”

In the rare situation that a case did go to trial, Cheriton was not daunted by the courtroom setting. “I did not find testifying in court to be particularly stressful. You certainly have to be careful about what you say. The opposing lawyer will certainly try to trip you up, but that is part of the game. It takes a certain kind of person. You need to be believed and offer explanations that are clear and understandable.”

Hollywood movies and television shows have created a certain picture of forensic investigation where a case is solved in an hour—and there is always a smoking gun. Cheriton is quick to dispel this myth. “Forensic engineering is meticulous work. I have seen some cases go on five to 10 years. It is not like Perry Mason.”

Cheriton was not afraid to go against the authorities in his dogged pursuit of the facts. “I had a number of cases where my findings contradicted the fire, police and insurance investigators. In most instances, my research proved correct. It is impossible for police and

fire investigators to be experts on everything in the field of forensics. In forensic engineering, it is necessary not to become prematurely convinced of an answer. The mind naturally finds comfort in finding an answer to a problem. You need to have a self-examining disposition in order to be successful in this profession.”



Achieving much success both in and out of court, Cheriton eventually sold his main engineering practice to his employees in 1980 so he could devote his full attention to a career in forensic engineering. Cheriton’s area of expertise was the failure of electrical equipment and the explosions, electrocutions and fires that occurred when something went wrong. The bulk of his clients were corporate businesses and large industry.

He would also take cases where his testimony directly aided the less fortunate. In one instance, Cheriton’s evidence proved that a truck driver in rural Saskatchewan did not burn down his house for insurance money, even though the RCMP, Saskatchewan Government Insurance, and the provincial fire marshal all claimed that he had.

Cheriton did not only achieve success in his cases. He also gained the professional respect of his peers. Cheriton joined the American Academy of Forensic Sciences—the world’s leading professional society dedicated to the application of science to the law—in 1982 and presented a number of important papers at their annual meetings.

Since becoming a forensic engineer, Cheriton has seen many changes in technology. One might think that computers have taken over the art of forensic science, but Cheriton disagrees. “Computers are a great source of information,” he said. “People can get fooled into thinking they have found the answer just because they have used a computer. You still need to put in the time to consider all the different possibilities to a problem.”

In 2005, Cheriton decided to retire from the profession at the age of 85. Now, at 90, he looks back fondly on his time in forensic engineering. “I had great fun. It was a wonderful career but like everything, it cannot go on forever. I have no regrets.” ■



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## Alumni Association President's Message

Congratulations to the class of 2011—the 100th University of Saskatchewan graduating class—and welcome to the University of Saskatchewan Alumni Association. You join a distinguished and accomplished group of individuals with a proud tradition of success.

The association's board and committee members—all who generously volunteer their time—have been working on many ongoing projects and initiatives throughout the year. Our student relations committee is attempting to define and establish traditions and ceremonies that will represent meaningful and tangible ways we can engage and inform students, who will inevitably become U of S alumni. Our newly formed recent graduate advisory committee is provided excellent feedback on how we can maintain contact and offer meaningful programs, benefits and services to those who have recently joined our alumni family.

The committee responsible for our alumni awards has been evaluating the format of our awards. Recommendations have been approved by the association board, and our new Alumni Achievement Awards will better recognize the diversity of our alumni and the broad spectrum of their accomplishments and contributions to the community. See the facing page and the alumni website for more details.

At this year's Annual General Meeting, to be held June 16, we will once again recognize the many volunteers that make the U of S Alumni Association a success. I hope to see you there to celebrate the contributions of your fellow alumni. We will also be voting on new board members, so consider letting your name stand for a position on the board, or volunteer for one of our committees.

It has been a pleasure serving you during my tenure as president of your Alumni Association.

All the best,

Bryan Harvey, BSA'60, MSA'61

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# 2011 Alumni Awards

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The Alumni Achievement Awards recognize graduates of the University of Saskatchewan for excellence, leadership, and innovation in their achievements and contributions to the social, cultural, and economic well-being of society, which positively reflect on the University of Saskatchewan and the Alumni Association. Alumni successes will be recognized through their exemplary contributions in fields such as:

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- community leadership
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- research
- volunteer service

Nominations of alumni of any graduation year, degree, or discipline are welcomed for the Achievement Awards. See the terms of reference and nomination package instructions at [www.usask.ca/alumni/awards](http://www.usask.ca/alumni/awards).

**Nominations deadline for 2011 awards: Friday, August 26, 2011.**

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## Annual General Meeting

**DATE:** Thursday, June 16, 2011

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**PLACE:** Convocation Hall, College Building

Reception following the meeting with entertainment by members of the U of S Wind Ensemble

Beer and wine cash bar

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## Engaged Alumni Excellence Award



Brea with the Engaged Alumni Excellence Award at the Excellence Awards Ceremony on March 27

Brea Lowenberger (BA'09) is the first ever recipient of the Engaged Alumni Excellence Award. Created through a partnership between the University of Saskatchewan Alumni Association and the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union (USSU) as part of the USSU Experience in Excellence Awards, the new award is given to a recent U of S graduate who is actively engaged in their community and has maintained a strong connection to the university.

Alumni who have graduated from the U of S in the past five years and are 35 years of age or younger are eligible to receive the award. Nominations for next year close February 15, 2012. Contact [alumni.office@usask.ca](mailto:alumni.office@usask.ca) for more information.

## Mind Your Ps and Qs

The U of S Alumni Relations Office hosted two etiquette evenings for current students in March. The sessions, designed to teach students basic social etiquette skills, were held at the Faculty Club, where attendees put their skills into practice. The session not only helped students, it provided an opportunity for students to learn about the Alumni Association and meet alumni who are working on second degrees.



Vice-President Magotiaux

## The President's Tour

The President's Provincial Tour made its way through Yorkton on March 16. President MacKinnon was unable to attend for last-minute personal reasons, so Heather Magotiaux, vice-president of University Advancement, attended a full day of meetings and presentations on his behalf. The day ended with an alumni reception where Magotiaux spoke about the physical changes happening on campus and how they represent the dynamic future of the university.

The final stop of this year's President's Provincial Tour was Estevan on May 11. President MacKinnon was scheduled to meet with several members of the community including high school students, the local Chamber of Commerce, and a gathering of alumni and friends at the Estevan Art Gallery.

## Alumni Services and Benefits

Alumni membership is automatic when you graduate from the University of Saskatchewan. Get your free alumni card to access several campus services. Call (306) 966-5186 or email [alumni.office@usask.ca](mailto:alumni.office@usask.ca) for more information.

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## Scholarships and Bursaries



**Congratulations to the 23 recipients of the 2010–11 U of S Alumni Association scholarships and bursaries.** (l-r) Marianne Schneider (Alumni Association past president), James Sessford, Sarah Streisel, Chelsea Ekstrand, Jaycie Neil, Tahirih Robertson, Jing Meng, and Brea Lowenberger attended a recognition social March 12. For information or to apply visit [www.usask.ca/alumni/alumni\\_association/scholarships](http://www.usask.ca/alumni/alumni_association/scholarships).

## Sask Mining Partnership

In the spring of 2010, the University of Saskatchewan entered into a partnership with Enterprise Saskatchewan, the Saskatchewan Mining Association, the University of Regina, SIAST and three mining companies to host a series of networking events in Western Canada and showcase the investment and employment opportunities in the province's mining industry. The first of three events was held in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on November 24, where over 30 alumni and friends gathered. On February 28, a group of alumni and friends assembled for a similar event in Edmonton, and on April 11, alumni and friends met at the Calgary Zoo.

## Engineering Class of 1975 Reunion



**The 1975 Civil Engineering graduating class celebrated their 35th anniversary reunion in August, 2010, in Banff, AB.**  
*Front (l-r):* Ted Cherewyk, Al Riddell, Ron Woodvine, Murray LeNabat, John Clark *Middle:* Rick Carnduff, Henk Bertsch, Dave Altwasser, Ken Trueman, George Shepherd *Back:* Ken Kress, Arnie Mckay, Bob Randall

## Law Class of 1960 Reunion



**Members of the College of Law class of 1960 recently celebrated their 50th reunion.** *Front (l-r):* John Beke, Fred Angene, Peter Sorokan, George Ansell, Barry Collins, Joseph Dierker *Back:* Irving Goldenberg, Hugh Gaudet, David Beaubier, Duane Koch, Kristian Eggum, Robert Emigh, Gerald Pittman, Allan Beke

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## At the Branches

■ President MacKinnon was guest speaker at a number of alumni events this past winter and spring. On February 14, he was joined by 120 alumni and friends at a Valentine's Day event in Calgary.



■ On March 10, President MacKinnon hosted 70 alumni and friends at a reception in downtown Toronto. Attendees were eager to ask questions about the role of the university in areas such as distance education, diversity and international student engagement.



**back (l-r): Calvin Redlick, Peter MacKinnon, Stephanie Redlick, Matt Ryan; front: Emily Redlick**

■ On April 6, President MacKinnon joined a group of 45 alumni and guests for an alumni reception at the world famous Sotheby's in the heart of the Mayfair district in London, UK. Guests heard about exciting developments at the U of S and visited with fellow alumni living in and around the London area. A special thank you to Calvin Redlick (BA'83) for hosting the event.



■ Basil Hughton (BSPE'77, BEd'78, MEd'92), Huskies athletic director, hosted alumni, students and athletes' families on March 12 to celebrate the Huskie men's basketball team's trip to the CIS Championship in Halifax, NS. The defending national champion Huskies finished fourth.

■ On March 19, President MacKinnon and Chancellor Vera Pezer (BA'62, MA'64, PhD'77) welcomed over 50 alumni and supporters in Windsor, ON, to celebrate the participation of the Huskie women's basketball team in the CIS Championship. Also in attendance was U of S alumnus Alan Wildeman (BSc'75, MSc'77), president of the University of Windsor. The Huskies took home the silver medal.

■ President MacKinnon was greeted by a group of 100 alumni and guests during a reception in downtown Vancouver on March 22. President MacKinnon told five short stories about the great history of the U of S and then welcomed questions. The following day, he travelled to Parksville, BC, for a central Vancouver Island branch luncheon at the Beach Club Resort. Peter van Dongen (BSA'00) and his committee organized this very successful event, which was attended by 76 people.

## Get Involved. Volunteer!

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## Upcoming Events

### U OF S ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

**June 16, 6:30 p.m.**

Convocation Hall, U of S Campus  
Saskatoon, SK

### UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN 2011 HONOURED YEARS REUNION AND BAND 50TH ANNIVERSARY

**June 23-25**

Saskatoon, SK

### SASKATCHEWAN ROUGHRIDERS vs. BC LIONS ALUMNI RECEPTION FOLLOWED BY FOOTBALL GAME

**August 5**

Vancouver, BC

### SASKATCHEWAN ROUGHRIDERS vs. TORONTO ARGONAUTS ALUMNI RECEPTION FOLLOWED BY FOOTBALL GAME

**August 18**

Toronto, ON

### HOMECOMING 2011 FOOTBALL GAME U OF S HUSKIES vs. UBC THUNDERBIRDS

**September 30, kick-off at 7:00 p.m.**

Griffiths Stadium, Saskatoon, SK

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**Truth to Power: The Journalism of a Benedictine Monk**  
 (Kingsley Publishing, 2010) by Fr. Andrew Murray Britz, OSB, Edited by Dennis Gruending (BA'70, Arts'84)

Catholic newspaper editor Britz and writer Gruending have collaborated on a book delving into the debates and issues of Canadian church and society from the past 25 years.



**Punishing Ugly Children**  
 (Killick Press, 2010) by Darryl Joel Berger (BA'92)

Disfigured inside and out, the characters in this collection of 20 darkly seductive and compelling short stories are ill-made for anything but the crooked paths they follow.



**Tommy's Team**  
 (Fifth House Publishing, 2010) by Stuart Houston (DLitt'87) and Bill Waiser (MA'76, PhD'83)

*Tommy's Team* offers an unprecedented look at the people who played a significant and often influential role in Tommy Douglas's path to becoming one of the most successful political leaders of his era.



**Vidh: A Book of Mourning**  
 (Hagios Press, 2010) by Phyllis S. Nakonechny (BEd'73, BA'74)

This story of love and loss outlines the journey into widowhood. It strives to help others who struggle with grief and are learning to live without a partner.



**Taming the Workplace Tigers**  
 (TAG Publishing, 2010) by Barbara Bowes (BEd'76)

Take charge of your career by learning the skills you need to work effectively with everyone you meet and how to successfully navigate your way up the corporate ladder.



**The Long Hello: The Other Side of Alzheimer's**  
 (Nightwing Press, 2010) by Cathie Borrie (LLB'87)

During the seven years caring for her mother with Alzheimer's, Borrie follows her mother's eccentric and poetic lead into the past and comes to cherish the bond between her and her mother.

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**Dr. John D. Mollard (Jack)**, BE'45, of Regina, SK, received the Saskatchewan Order of Merit.

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**Mr. Donald Kramer**, BE'48, of Regina, SK, received the Saskatchewan Order of Merit.

**Prof. Emeritus Dick Strayer**, BE'48, BE'50, of Saskatoon, SK, received the first annual Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism Community Leadership Award.

51

**Ms. Margaret Fraser**, BHS'51, of Mississauga, ON, received a Culinary Landmarks Award at the 2010 Canadian Culinary Book Awards in November for her and Ms. Carol Ferguson's book titled *A Century of Canadian Home Cooking*.

54

**Mr. Douglas Schmeiser**, BA'54, LLB'56, of Saskatoon, SK, received the Saskatchewan Order of Merit.

56

**Mr. Ernest Boychuck**, BA'56, LLB'58, of Saskatoon, SK, received the 2010 Ukrainian Canadian Congress Saskatchewan Provincial (UCCSP) award, in recognition of his contributions to the community-at-large.

57

**Prof. Emeritus Donald Kerr**, BA'57, of Saskatoon, SK, was named the 2011–12 Poet Laureate of Saskatchewan by the Saskatchewan Writer's Guild.

59

**Prof. Emeritus James Dosman**, BA'59, MD'63, MA'69, of Saskatoon, SK, was appointed an Officer of the Order of Canada and was inducted into the Saskatchewan Agricultural Hall of Fame.

61

**Prof. Donald A. Bailey**, BA'61, of Paris, FR, has published a booklet titled *MUSIC: The Essential Component in Education*, which serves as a unique introduction to music. Retired five years ago, Don now spends his time between Winnipeg and Paris.

63

**Dr. Robert (Bob) Calder**, BA'63, MA'65, of Saskatoon, SK, received the Hyland Award from the Saskatchewan Writers' Guild.

**Prof. Emeritus Lawrence Fowke**, BA'63, DSc'06, of Saskatoon, SK, received the 2010 University of Saskatchewan College of Arts and Science Alumni of Influence award.

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**Dr. Ernest Olfert**, BA'65, DVM'69, MSc'76, of Saskatoon, SK, received the 2010 University of Saskatchewan College of Arts and Science Alumni of Influence award.

66

**Dr. Kenneth Calder**, BA'66, MA'67, of Ottawa, ON, received the 2010 University of Saskatchewan College of Arts and Science Alumni of Influence award.

67

**Mr. Allan Haubrich**, BA'67, LLB'70, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan.

68

**Dr. David H. McNeil**, BA'68, Sc'70, PhD'77, of Calgary, AB, has retired after 33 years as a research scientist with Geological Survey of Canada. He continues as an emeritus scientist specializing in the micropaleontology of the Arctic and Western Canada.

**Mr. Joseph (Joe) Reretski**, BA'68, Cert/Ed'70, BEd'84, of Regina, SK, retired from his role as school principal with Regina Public Schools in 2009.

69

**Ms. Rose Marie (Louise) Simard**, BA'69, LLB'70, of Regina, SK, received the 2010 University of Saskatchewan College of Arts and Science Alumni of Influence award.

**Mr. Gilbert McConnell**, BEd'69, of Dinsmore, SK, received the Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism Award for his contributions to a rural community.

**Mr. Gordon Stephenson**, BSA'69, of Calgary, AB, was inducted into the Saskatchewan Agricultural Hall of Fame.

**Dr. Gordon Keller**, BA'69, BSc'74, of Toronto, ON, was chosen as one of the *Globe and Mail's* 25 Transformational Canadians as a person who has changed the lives of others through his outstanding achievements in science and technology.

70

**Prof. Ruth Bilson**, MA'70, LLB'77, of Saskatoon, SK, received the 2011 Canadian Bar Association's Saskatchewan Distinguished Service Award.

**Ms. Maureen Haddock**, BEd'70, of Corman Park, SK, was chosen as an Edwards School of Business Woman of Influence for 2010.

**Mr. John Read**, BE'70, of Calgary, AB, has been elected to the board of directors of Canadian Oil Sands Limited.

72

**Mr. Harvey Allyn**, BSc'72, BEd'73, MEd'80, of Saskatoon, SK, general manager of Allyn Development Group, has been awarded the professional designation of Canadian certified investment manager (CIM) and the interim continuing education designation of fellow of the Canadian securities institute (FCSI).

**Dr. David Forgie**, BE'72, MSc'75, of New Westminster, BC, retired in June, 2010, after 37 years working in the wastewater and solid waste management industry as a regulator, an academic and a consultant. He still does some consulting, but the main focus of retirement will be travel with his wife, Gisele Arcand, house projects and his hobbies: art deco, bakelite radios and his Audi cars.

**Mrs. Florence Graham**, BEd'72, PGD'85, of Saskatoon, SK, received the first annual Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism Advocacy Award.

**Dr. Alun Richards**, BSc'72, of Saskatoon, SK, member of the Canadian Institute of Planners, was appointed vice-president of the North Saskatoon Business Association.

**Mr. Barry Swanson**, BSA'72, of Prince Albert, SK, has been appointed returning officer for the Prince Albert Carlton constituency for the November 7, 2011, provincial election.

**Dr. Mohinder Singh Grover**, MSc'72, PhD'74, of North York, ON, has been awarded the Ontario Medal of Good Citizenship by the Government of Ontario.

73

**Ms. Patricia Katz**, BSHEc'73, of Saskatoon, SK, has been inducted into the Canadian Speaking Hall of Fame—the fourth woman and the second member from Saskatchewan to receive the honour.

74

**Mr. Roderick Flaman**, BE'74, of Edenwold, SK, has been re-elected to the Canadian Wheat Board's board of directors.

**Mr. Gary Mearns**, BComm'74, MBA'95, of Saskatoon, SK, was recently appointed vice-president Human Resources with Federated Co-operatives Limited.

**Dr. Richard (Dick) Ehman**, BSc'74, MD'79, DSc'00, of Rochester, MN, USA, was inducted into the Institute of Medicine by the National Academy of Medicine.

75

**Mr. James (Jim) Davidson**, BComm'75, of Saskatoon, SK, was appointed chief financial officer with Great Western Minerals Group Ltd.

76

**Ms. Della Anaquod**, LLB'76, of Saskatoon, SK, was appointment to the First Nations University of Canada's board of governors.

**Mr. John Dowler**, BComm'76, of Victoria, BC, has recently retired from his role as an executive director with the Government of British Columbia. He served in a number of senior public-sector leadership positions and taught master's courses at two universities and in the CMA program. John plans to continue teaching, advising clients and traveling extensively with his wife Dolores.

**Mr. Garry Meier**, BSA'76, of Ridgedale, SK, was named Pulse Promoter of the Year by BASF Canada and the Saskatchewan Pulse Growers.

**Dr. Margaret Symon-Lungal**, BSHEc'76, BEd'78, BA'87, MEd'10, of Saskatoon, SK, completed her Master's of Education in October, 2010, and is working with elementary students at two east-side schools as an itinerant specialist, English as an additional language teacher.

**Dr. Bill Waiser**, MA'76, PhD'83, of Saskatoon, SK, earned his Doctor of Letters from the University of Saskatchewan.

77

**Mr. Blair Seifert**, BSP '77, of Saskatoon, SK, has joined the Pharmacy Department at the Saskatoon Health Region, Royal University Hospital site, as the clinical pharmacy coordinator – pediatrics.

**Mr. Albin Zubot**, BE'77, of Medicine Hat, AB, received the Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal from the Government of Saskatchewan.

78

**Ms. Joyce Gooijer (nee Sokoloski)**, BEd'78, of Watson, SK, has accepted a two-year position with Volunteer International Christian Service (VICS) in northern Tanzania. She will be involved in educational training with Flying Medical Service.

**Mr. Randy Kachur**, LLB'78, of Yorkton, SK, was appointed Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan.

**Mr. Ronald N. MacKay (Neil)**, LLB'78, BA'78, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan.

**Mr. Matthew Miazga**, BA'78, LLB'78, of Saskatoon, SK, received the Courage and Perseverance Award from the Federal-Provincial-Territorial Heads of Prosecutions Committee.

79

**Dr. Marion Mutala**, BEd'79, PGD'94, MEd'95, of Saskatoon, SK, received the Anna Pidruchney Award for New Writers for her book *Baba's Babushka: A Ukrainian Christmas*.

**Mr. Douglas Curliss**, LLB'79, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan.

**Mr. W. Brett Wilson**, BE'79, of Calgary, AB, received an Honorary Doctorate from Royal Roads University in Victoria, BC.

80

**Ms. Betty Anne Latrace-Henderson**, BEd'80, of Saskatoon, SK, was named one of Canada's top 100 women entrepreneurs by *Profit* magazine.

**Ms. Maria Pappas**, LLB'80, of Regina, SK, has been appointed Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan.

81

**Mr. Mitchell Holash**, BA'81, LLB'84, of Prince Albert, SK, has been appointed Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan.

82

**Mr. Brian DeMong**, BSPE'82, of Calgary, AB, is a senior immigration advisor for the law firm McLennan Ross in Alberta. He retired from Citizenship and Immigration Canada in 2007, a career which included postings at the Canadian Embassy in Iran and Canadian High Commission in India.

83

**Mr. Harvey Katz**, LLB'83, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan. Harvey has also been a partner with the MacDermid Lamarsh law firm since 2005 and chair of the Mental Health Services Appeal Board for the Saskatoon/Tridistrict Health Region since 2009.

**Dr. Steven Liss**, MSc'83, PhD'87, of Toronto, ON, was appointment vice-principal (research) at Queen's University.

**Ms. Betty Lou Palko**, BEd'83, of Hudson Bay, SK, received the Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal from the Government of Saskatchewan.

84

**Mr. Perry D. Erhardt**, BA'84, BEd'86, LLB'89, of Regina, SK, has been appointed Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan and has been promoted to president of the Canadian Bar Association, Saskatchewan Branch for 2010–11.

85

**Ms. Shelley Arvay**, BComm'85, of Saskatoon, SK, was recently president of The Marketing Den.

**Mr. Douglas Wasylenki**, BA'85, of Lacombe, AB, was recently promoted from Cpl. in charge of RCMP Innisfail traffic services (Alberta) to Sgt. in charge of RCMP Wetaskiwin traffic services (Alberta) effective August, 2010.

86

**Mr. Victor Huard**, BA'86, MA'89, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed vice-president of Corporate Affairs at Federated Co-operatives Ltd.

**Mr. Kevin Lang**, BAdmin'86, LLB'89, was appointed Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan.

87

**Ms. Rhonda Bashnick**, BComm'87, has been appointed group vice-president, finance with Shaw Communications Inc.

**Dr. Jane A. Simington**, BSN'87, MN'90, of Edmonton, AB, was named a Global Woman of Vision by Global TV Edmonton in March, 2011.

88

**Mr. Mitchell McLeod (Mitch)**, BA'88, of Calgary, AB, recently obtained the chartered director (C.Dir.) designation from the Directors College—a joint venture of McMaster University and the Conference Board of Canada. He works for Peak Energy Services in Calgary as the senior advisor on Aboriginal relations and sits on the board of directors for SaskEnergy.

**Ms. Catherine Warner**, BComm'88, of Regina, SK, earned her professional designation as a fellow chartered accountant.

89

**Dr. Heather D. Hadjistavropoulos (nee Biem)**, BA'89, of Regina, SK, received the 2010 Achievement Award from the Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation.

**Mr. Barry Remai**, BComm'89, of Saskatoon, SK, earned his professional designation as a fellow chartered accountant.

90

**Mr. Shay Code**, BComm'90, of Saskatoon, SK, was chosen as one of the *Globe and Mail's* 25 Transformational Canadians.

**Dr. Michiel Grevers**, PhD'90, of Cobble Hill, BC, received the University of Saskatchewan J. W. George Ivany Internationalization Award.

**Ms. Lisa S. Laskowski**, BComm'90, BMus'91, of Saskatoon, SK, recently joined the Royal University Hospital Foundation team as director of development.

91

**Ms. Patricia Bood**, BA'91, LLB'94, of Ottawa, ON, was selected as a qualifying finalist for the WBN Corporate Businesswoman of the Year in 2010.

**Mr. Michael Cey**, BSA'91, has been appointment vice-president of Corporate and Business Development for Ag-West Bio.

**Ms. Jane (Vicki) Herman**, MEd'91, of Saskatoon, SK, received the USSU Experience in Excellence Vera Pezer Award for Student Enhancement.

**Ms. Sarjeant-Jenkins**, BA'91, of Medicine Hat, AB, has been appointed assistant dean, Client Services in the University of Saskatchewan Library for a five-year term.

**Dr. Carolyn Shields**, PhD'91, of Champaign, IL, USA, was appointed dean of the College of Education at Wayne State University effective July 1, 2011.

92

**Mr. Darryl J. Berger**, BA'92, of Kingston, ON, has published his first short-story collection, *Punishing Ugly Children*. The manuscript for this book was winner of the David Adams Richards Prize in 2007.

**Ms. Janice Michael**, BEd'92, of Saskatoon, SK, earned her professional designation as a certified general accountant.

93

**Mr. Paul Dutton**, BA'93, of Calgary, AB, received an Academy Award nomination for his work as animation director for *The Illusionist*.

**Dr. Nianshao Chen (Nelson)**, MA'93, PhD'00, of Saskatoon, SK, was appointed research analyst for the Institutional Planning and Assessment Office at the University of Saskatchewan.

94

**Mr. Michael Adamiak**, BA'94, BEd'96, of Vita, MB, has joined Manitoba Justice as a corrections officer.

95

**Mr. Paul Favel**, BA'95, LLB'95, of Saskatoon, SK, was appointed Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan.

**Ms. Lisa A. Nunweiler**, BComm'95, of Melfort, SK, earned her professional designation as a certified general accountant.

97

**Mr. Neil Pogany**, BComm'97, of Vancouver, BC, was appointment a partner with Deloitte & Touche LLP in Vancouver.

**Ms. Shannon Appel**, BSP'97, of Regina, SK, received the National Commitment to Care and Service Award for Advanced Learning and the Saskatchewan Nycomed Magnum Opus Award for Advanced Learning.

**Ms. Jennifer Pederson**, BA'97, of Saskatoon, SK, received the 2010 Chamberlain Scholarship from the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

**Mr. Brian Rugg**, BSA'97, of Colonsay, SK, earned his professional designation as a certified general accountant.

**99**

**Miss Jennifer Boyle**, BA'99, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed executive assistant to David Hannah in the Office of the Associate Vice-President, Student and Enrolment Services at the University of Saskatchewan.

**Mr. Joel Grineau**, MA'99, of Barrie, ON, is a logistics officer in the Canadian Armed Forces. He spent much of last year on deployment in Afghanistan working with the Operational Mentor and Liaison Team (OMLT) in the Panjwayi District where he mentored his counterparts in the Afghan National Army on improving their logistical support to operations.

**Mr. Dwight G. Newman**, LLB'99, of Saskatoon, SK, received the Saskatchewan Book Award for Publishing in Education.

**00**

**Mrs. Hoey Horseman**, BComm'00, of Saskatoon, SK, earned her professional designation as a certified general accountant.

**02**

**Ms. Susan (Penney) Murphy**, BA'02, of Saskatoon, SK, was chosen as an Edwards School of Business Woman of Influence for 2010.

**Mr. Curtis Wagner**, BEd'02, BA'06, of Saskatoon, SK, received the 2010 Canada Microsoft Innovative Teachers Award.

**03**

**Ms. Natasha Just**, BSc'03, MSc'06, of Saskatoon, SK, received one of three awards from the Canadian Agri-Food Policy Institute.

**04**

**Ms. Kelsie Hendry**, BA'04, BEd'09, of Saskatoon, SK, was awarded a bronze medal in women's pole vault at the 2010 Commonwealth Games in Delhi, India.

**Dr. Kevin Walby**, BA'04, of Saskatoon, SK, received a PhD in Sociology in November, 2010, from Carleton University. He was also awarded the Governor General's Medal and the University Medal for Outstanding Graduate Work.

**06**

**Dr. Lorraine Foster**, DVM'06, of Humboldt, SK, received the 2010 ABEX award for Saskatchewan Young Entrepreneur of the Year.

**Ms. Melissa Marshall**, BComm'06, has accepted a new position as development officer, leadership and class giving for the Western College of Veterinarian Medicine at the University of Saskatchewan.

**07**

**Ms. Ashley Slade**, BA'07, of Saskatoon, SK, received the 2010 Professional Impact Award from the Saskatchewan Association of Human Resource Professionals.

**08**

**Ms. Kelly King**, BComm'08, of Nipawin, SK, earned her professional designation as a certified general accountant.

**09**

**Dr. Maud Ferrari**, PhD'09, of Saskatoon, SK, received the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) 2010 Doctoral Prize.

**Ms. Ainsley Robertson**, BComm'09, of Saskatoon, SK, was chosen as an Edwards School of Business Woman of Influence for 2010.

**10**

**Ms. Dayan Huang**, MD'10, of Richmond, BC, received the University of Saskatchewan President's Medal.



### Andy McCreath, BA'99,

of Calgary, AB, was named to the *Globe and Mail's* Top 40 Under 40 in April. McCreath received the Outstanding Young Alumni Award in 2007 and has helped bring high-profile speakers to Canada, such as US Presidents Bill Clinton and George Bush (both Jr. and Sr.) Rudy Giuliani, Colin Powell and Lance Armstrong..



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**Correction:** In the fall 2010 issue, PHILIPS, Wellington Hugh, BComm'53, of Kelowna, BC, was incorrectly listed as WELLINGTON, Hugh Philips.

**The Alumni Association has noted, with sorrow, the passing of the following faculty and friends:**

- BAKER**, Prof. Emeritus Harold Reid, of Saskatoon, SK, d. March 18, 2011.
- BRAATEN**, Orval, of Saskatoon, SK, d. July 1, 2010.
- DYSON**, Anne Hood, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Jan. 2, 2011.
- EDIN**, Debra, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Sep. 11, 2010.
- HAUCK**, Wayne Patrick, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Oct. 8, 2010.
- LEUNG**, Joan, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Dec. 24, 2010.
- MCKAIG**, Bradford Leigh, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Oct. 30, 2010.
- RAYMOND**, Arthur, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Dec. 17, 2010.
- SCHOENAU**, John, of Central Butte, SK, d. Dec. 13, 2010.

**SHOKEIR**, Prof. Emeritus Mohamed, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Oct. 30, 2010.

**THIESSEN**, Arnold, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Sep. 23, 2010

**The Alumni Association has noted, with sorrow, the passing of the following graduates:**

- (1932) SNELL**, John Douglas, BA'32, Dip/Ed'33, BEd'40, of Geulph, ON, d. Nov. 28, 2010.
- (1940) MARTIN**, Edwin Bruce, BSA'40, MSc'42, of Victoria, BC, d. Oct. 15, 2010.
- (1944) CARTER**, Hon. Mdm. Just. Mary Yvonne, BA'44, LLB'47, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Oct. 1, 2010.
- (1944) KALLIO**, Willard, BE'44, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Jan. 13, 2011.
- (1946) PERRY**, John Alexander, BE'46, of Ohio, USA, d. July 6, 2010.
- (1949) MELTON**, Joyce Aileen, BA'49, of Vancouver, BC, d. Jan. 4, 2011.
- (1949) SHARZER**, Toby Birdie, BA'49, of Rancho Mirage, CA, USA, d. Feb. 6, 2011.

**(1950) MOYSIUK**, Orest, BA'50, of Burnaby, BC, d. July 4, 2010.

**(1953) TILDEN**, Douglas Iver, BE'53, of Seattle, WA, USA, d. Jan. 5, 2011.

**(1973) WANNOP**, Elaine Adeline, of Kelowna, BC, d. Nov. 30, 2010.

**(1975) KRAUSE**, Judith Larel, BSHEc'75, BEd'77, of Swift Current, SK, d. Dec. 20, 2010.

**(1980) CAMPBELL**, Dr. Donald Keith, DMD'80, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Sep. 24, 2010.

**(1982) KENT**, Marie Evelyn, BEd'82, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Nov. 6, 2010.

**(1985) BOHACHIK**, Gregory Michael, BMusEd'85, of Prince Albert, SK, d. Sep. 09, 2009.

**(1987) SEESEQUASIS**, David Kenneth, BA'87, of Duck Lake, SK, d. March 14, 2010.

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**JOHNSON, Albert W. (Al) BA'42, LLD'78, of Ottawa, ON, d. Nov. 8, 2010**

The Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy, shared by the

Saskatchewan's two universities, is named after Al Johnson and his longtime colleague Thomas Shoyama.

Johnson enjoyed a 19-year career in the Saskatchewan public sector before he left let the province to work with the Government of Canada. He served as president of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation before he was appointed professor of Political Science at the University of Toronto and to short-term research chairs at Queen's University and at the Canadian Centre for Research and Development.



**HYLAND, Gary, BA'62, Dip/Ed'63, BEd'64, of Moose Jaw, SK, d. April 5, 2011.**

Gary Hyland, a University of Saskatchewan 100 Alumni of Influence, was recognized

as one of the province's leading poets, writing seven books of poetry including the award winning *For the Love of Mirrors*.

Hyland, who became a member of the Order of Canada in 2005, helped establish the Saskatchewan Festival of Words and was integral in establishing the Moose Jaw Cultural Centre.

Hyland died following a lengthy battle with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS or Lou Gehrig's disease).



**BLAKENEY, Hon. Allan, LLD'95, of Saskatoon, SK, d. April 16, 2011.**

Former Saskatchewan Premier Allan Blakeney was first elected to the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan in

1960 and served as premier from 1971–82.

After retiring from politics, Blakeney joined the U of S College of Law as the inaugural occupant of the Law Foundation Chair and served as visiting scholar at the college for a number of years.



**BAYDA, Hon. Edward, BA'52, LLB'53, LLD'89, of Regina, SK, d. April 2, 2010.**

Edward Bayda, named among the University of Saskatchewan 100 Alumni

of Influence, was appointed to the Court of Queen's Bench in 1972, the Court of Appeal

in 1974, and in 1981 he became chief justice of Saskatchewan. He was the youngest chief justice ever appointed in Canada, the first to be born in Saskatchewan and the longest-serving chief justice in the province. He retired in 2006.

Chief Justice Bayda was proud of his Ukrainian heritage and was noted for his courtesy and patience as a judge.



**AHENAKEW, Freda, BEd'79, LLD'97, of Marcelin, SK, d. April 8, 2011.**

Widely recognized as one of Canada's most distinguished Aboriginal scholars, Freda

Ahenakew did much work to promote Plains Cree language, culture and history. Her work included the transcription, analysis and translation of traditional stories and autobiographical accounts for publication in Cree with an English translation.

Ahenakew is listed among the University of Saskatchewan 100 Alumni of Influence.

# Q&A

with Arlene Kent-Wilkinson



*Arlene Kent-Wilkinson (PhD'08) could write a book about her 40 years of nursing and experience as a pioneer in forensic nursing education and forensic psychiatric nursing practice. Having written several courses, including the world's first online courses in forensic nursing, she has seen various sub-specialties of forensic nursing grow in popularity over the years. Now, as a member of the Forensic Interdisciplinary Research: Saskatchewan Team (FIRST), and as a member of the steering committee for the University of Saskatchewan's Forensic Centre Initiative for Forensic Behavioural Sciences and Justice Studies, Kent-Wilkinson and colleagues in various disciplines at the U of S seek to continue breaking ground with new interdisciplinary research.*

**G&W** What is forensic nursing?

**A K-W** Forensic nursing is a specialty of nursing, not a specialty of forensics—I am always a nurse first. It is an area of nursing where health care and the law intersect.

Within forensic nursing there are quite a few sub-specialties that are all very different areas of work. Forensic correctional and forensic psychiatric mental health nursing are my focal areas, but there is also forensic legal nurse consultants, clinical forensic nursing and forensic sexual assault examiners.

**G&W** What do you mean by “where health care and law intersect?”

**A K-W** The intersection or interface may involve the legal aspects of care, or where a patient has some difficulties with the law. Forensic nurses play an important role in gathering evidence, providing health care promotion and prevention, and in the care and support of offenders, victims, and the families of both. We can be involved in child abuse, elder abuse, spousal abuse, sexual assault, trauma and violence of any kind.

In forensic psychiatric nursing, we work with a multidisciplinary team that prepares a letter for the courts to determine fitness to stand trial. The role of forensic nursing on that unit is to provide nursing care of the offender 24-hours a day during a 30-day assessment. As a team we do not determine whether our patient/client is guilty or innocent; that is for the court to decide based on all the information they have.

**G&W** Tell us a little about your nursing career and your progression into forensic psychiatric nursing.

**A K-W** After working for 10 years in emergency departments in Ontario, I moved west to Calgary in 1980. I just happened to work a private duty nursing shift at the Calgary Remand Centre (jail) and was intrigued by the area; it was very different from where I had worked before. I found offenders had extreme problems and difficulties with their health and mental health. They were not the ‘walking worried’; they had some major problems. I became very interested, and I worked with corrections full-time for three years.

I then heard about the forensic psychiatric unit at the Calgary General Hospital, and I transferred to that unit.

In the early 1990s, when I finished my master's degree, forensic nursing was becoming more popular. We had an international association located in the US, but there were no courses available one could take. Being the type of person that likes to write courses and manuals, I began to write some courses. I started a classroom course at the University of Calgary that ran for seven years. Because of its popularity, Mount Royal College (now a university) asked me to write online courses, so I did, and they developed into a certificate program— forensic studies. It was exciting to be doing something new that was not out there already.

**G&W** So really, you pioneered the online courses in this area.

**A K-W** Yes, and I was fortunate to receive some recognition and awards for my pioneering efforts in forensic nursing and forensic education. It was satisfying; it was fun to do something new and exciting.

**G&W** Tell us a little about forensic interdisciplinary work at the U of S.

**A K-W** Academics at the U of S with a background in forensic psychology, forensic psychiatry, law and forensic nursing all have a clinical practice and research focus on the offender population. Many of us began to know each other through conferences and interest groups, but for the most part we were doing research and teaching in isolation rather than working together. Because the mental health issues of the offender are so vast, it only made sense for us to start to work together to try to address the needs of an increasingly complex mentally disordered offender population.

So in 2009, we started the research group FIRST and applied for the Forensic Behavioural Sciences and Justice Studies Initiative to become an interdisciplinary centre. It will foster research, education and engagement activities to better understand critical issues of crime and justice. We are really fortunate to have a federal presence in the Regional Psychiatric Centre that attracts academics from a variety of specialties. The U of S now has great resources for graduate students in the forensic behavioural sciences. ■

# For the Vicqs

# retirement isn't about taking it easy.



Sylvia and Jack Vicq enjoying a visit with friends at a U of S Greystone Circle reception

Most of us look forward to retirement as a time to travel, visit with family and friends, and cross some items off our “bucket list”.

## Jack Vicq, Professor Emeritus of Accounting at the Edwards School of Business retired in 2000, but decided that retirement was no time to be idle.

Both Jack and Sylvia continue to be very involved in community service, sitting on numerous boards and volunteering with organizations that are important to them, like Jubilee Residence Inc., the Meewasin Valley Authority and the Greater Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce. They also continue to be active in the University of Saskatchewan community.

One important way that the Vicqs stay connected to the U of S is through their charitable giving. Their generosity impacts children who participate in **Kinesiology Special Needs Programs** as well as people in the **Edwards School of Business** who worked with Jack for many years. It is their continuing interest and belief in the U of S that prompted Jack and Sylvia to leave a portion of their estate to the university in their wills.

The Vicqs' generous planned gift to the U of S is directed towards continuing their support of special needs children programs in the College of Kinesiology; student awards in the Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy; and the John Brennan Bursary

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