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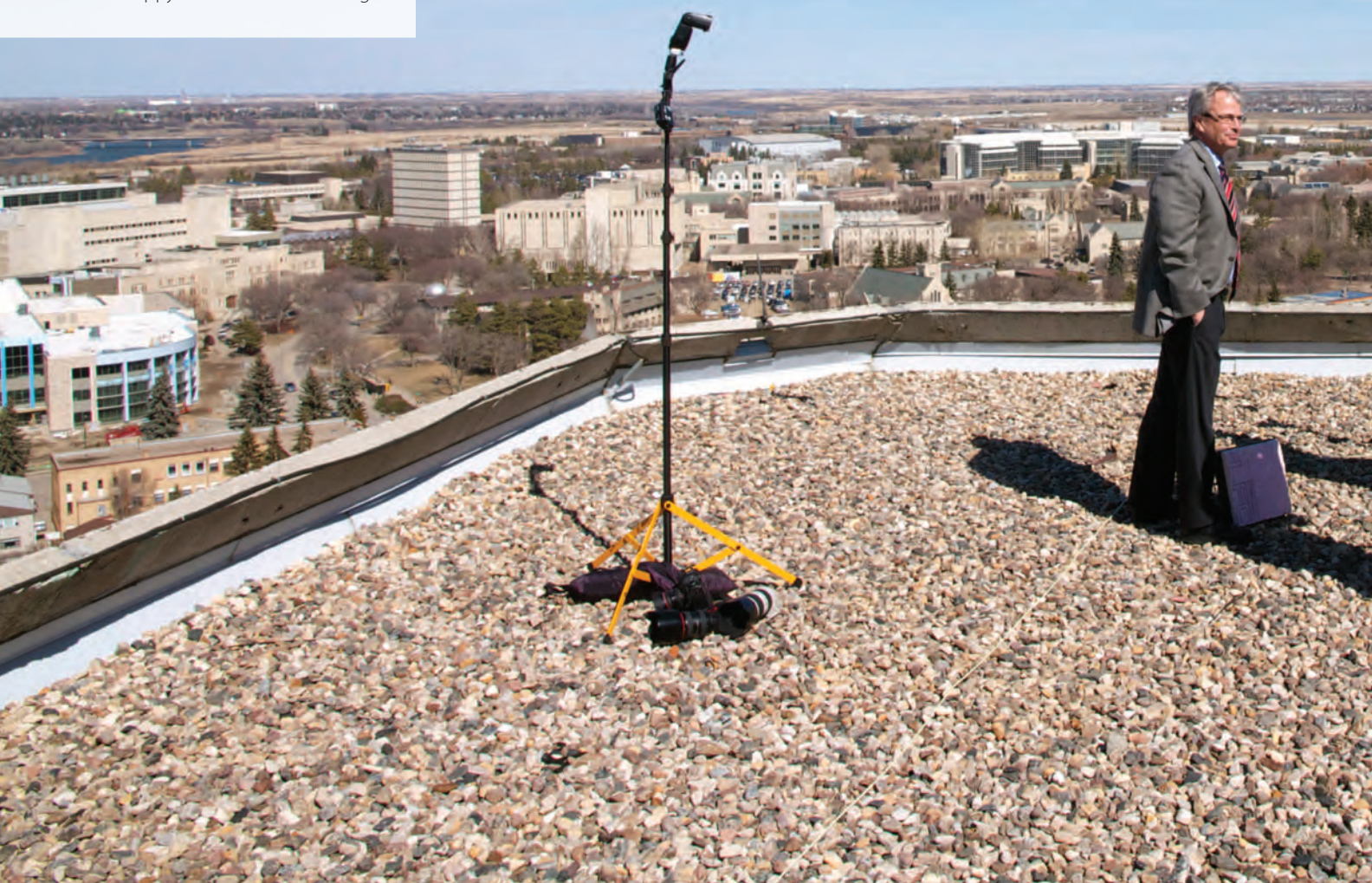
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For the cover of the leadership issue of the *Green & White*—which happens to be Peter MacKinnon’s last as president—we asked him to pose for a few photos on the roof top of Luther Towers...on one of the windier days of the year. Certainly not in the president’s job description, but he ventured the wind and the height without complaint, though was clearly happy to come in off the ledge.



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DAVID STORBE

If these walls could talk...

I've been on this beautiful University of Saskatchewan campus 37 years, 13 as president. I have the privilege of looking out windows of the President's Residence at the South Saskatchewan River every morning. My office is in a Canadian Heritage Building surrounded by several buildings that complement its grandeur and its history. I have amassed an impressive collection of stories and experiences during my time at this very special place.

As numerous and varied as my experiences and stories may be, it's not physically possible for one person to capture the tales lived within the walls of our many campus buildings. Oh, if these walls could talk, what tales they would tell.

These walls do talk, and you, our 138,000 alumni, are their voice. The story this campus tells is so much richer than a reminiscent compilation of "the good ol' days" of learning, camaraderie and even the occasional co-ed shenanigans. The line between storyteller and the story itself is blurred to the extent they are one and the same.

Our shared history, traditions and experiences are important—you are an important part of the story being told. But this story reaches its fullness when you—your career, your accomplishments and achievements, your innovation, your influence on society—proclaim the story of the U of S to the world. When the world sees you and your story, you are a mirror reflecting your alma mater. And when the many mirrors converge, the reflection is clear and bright—so much so it gives a compelling image of the fine institution we have grown to in our 105-year history.

I am proud to be a part of this story and am prouder still to be one of our storytellers. Together, we will continue to amass a collection of tales worth telling.

Together we will tell of a fine medical-doctoral university—innovative, engaged in the community and with its citizens, inextricably linked to the province with which we share a name—whose hands reach out to and touch the entire globe.

Together, we will proclaim those stories to future generations, both literally and figuratively, through the lives we lead, increasing the reputation and prestige of the University of Saskatchewan.

Together we will continue to be the voice of the many walls of the many buildings—new and old—at the U of S.

My future residence may not offer the same morning view. My future office may be more humble. The pace at which I collect stories may slow down. But my zeal to hear and share these stories remains.

Gratefully yours,

Peter MacKinnon,
President, University of Saskatchewan

Remember when...

BY TIM HUTCHINSON,
UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES

History of the Huskies name

Although the University of Saskatchewan Students' Representative Council established the Athletic Association just days after classes began in 1909—with regional inter-university competition beginning 1910-11—the “Huskies” name didn't appear until many years later. It was in 1932, as early as September 20, when *the StarPhoenix* referred to football players as “gridiron huskies.” On October 12, in an article about an upcoming track meet, *the StarPhoenix* mentioned “the Huskies, the new name of Varsity athletes,” and the next week, a headline proclaimed “Varsity Huskies Swinging into Home Stretch.”

The choice of name may have been related to football coach E. Kent Phillips' reported comments that his players were big, “husky” Saskatchewan farm boys. The name appears to have been adopted gradually by different teams, and the hockey and soccer teams were sporting the new name on their team uniforms in time for their yearbook photographs that year.

Women's hockey team, 1919.
University Archives, Photograph Collection, A-1033



The Huskie men's basketball team in action against the Harlem Stars in the Physical education Gym, 1960. This competition was an annual event for many years.
University Archives, Photograph Collection, A-919

Men's hockey team, 1911-12.
University Archives, Photograph Collection, A-1036



Remember again... a year of centennial celebrations

THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND BIORESOURCES

The college's centennial is as much about celebrating the future as it is the past, said Mary Buhr, dean of the college. “The centennial gives us the opportunity to highlight what the college has accomplished in the past and that then forms a foundation from which we can talk about where we are going in the future,” she said. “When you look at how much the college has changed over the past 100 years, you recognize that it will probably have to change an equivalent amount in the next 100 years—and it will always be to address the needs of the province and the world in all the things that constitute agriculture and bioresources.”

Centennial celebrations kicked off in January with an all-years alumni reunion. The next event is an open house on **June 22** showcasing research and innovation at the college. The centennial celebrations will continue **September 14** with a barbeque and cake, to celebrate with the students.

THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

“We wanted our centennial to be more than one event,” said Ernie Barber, acting dean of the college, “so we decided to celebrate for the whole year.” Centred on the theme Tradition, Innovation, Celebration, the college has put together a schedule of major events to mark the occasion but the anniversary will be infused into all aspects of college life over the coming year. It will be “a celebration of what engineers do, a celebration of students, a celebration of our place in the University of Saskatchewan.”

While centennial events have been taking place all year, during the weekend of **September 20-23**, the college will host an all-years alumni reunion with activities including a site visit of Saskatoon's new Circle Drive bridge, class parties, guest speakers and a special banquet.

THE COLLEGE OF LAW

There are plenty of opportunities throughout the year to reconnect with your college, classmates, faculty and staff. The centennial is also a chance to get to know the new dean, Sanjeev Anand. “A lot of alumni don't know me—I've been away from the U of S for more than 10 years so I need to be introduced,” said Anand. “They need to know that I am here to talk to them about the college and get their input.”

Mark your calendar for **October 6** to attend the Gala Reunion Weekend that includes the Centennial Gala evening at TCU Place in downtown Saskatoon and a come-and-go reception complete with tours of the college and children's entertainment. “We are a tight community and I want to make sure we stay that way,” said Anand of the weekend. “We all have an interest in the success of the college.”

ST. ANDREW'S COLLEGE

Centennial celebrations for St. Andrew's will kick off on the evening of **July 6** with a wine and cheese social. Events will continue **July 7** with an afternoon of tours highlighting the college's history. The day will wrap up with a gala event at the Western Development Museum. The weekend will end with a worship ceremony on Sunday morning.

The sheaf

The student-run paper will host an all-years reunion on the weekend of **November 2-3** to coincide with the anniversary date of the publication of the first issue of *The Sheaf*. The centennial—which will also feature a special centennial magazine published with the help of staff and alumni volunteers—will provide students on staff the chance to connect with hundreds of professionals who all got their start at the paper. Visit sheaf100.com for more details.



Leslie and Irene Dubé

DAVID STOBBE

Health of the province

We also wanted to express the idea of the health sciences as an inter-professional approach and an inter-professional model, and that meant bringing more of the health sciences together in closer proximity to one another. And that is of course, what we call the E Wing, that magnificent building at the corner of College and Wiggins. - Peter MacKinnon

It is nearly impossible not to notice the E Wing addition of the Health Sciences project while driving down College Drive in Saskatoon. With its gothic architecture featuring greystone and curved glass, it is the most visible construction project on campus.

It is also one of the largest building projects in U of S history, and wouldn't be possible without the support of philanthropists Leslie and Irene Dubé who contributed \$10 million to the project in the fall of 2011. The multi-phased project will bring students, faculty, staff and researchers from all health science disciplines—dentistry, kinesiology, medicine, nursing, nutrition, pharmacy, physical therapy, public health and veterinary medicine—together in a modern collaborative facility for learning, teaching and research.

“This donation to the University of Saskatchewan brings together our desires to share our wealth in both education and health,” said Leslie. “We are building one of the finest facilities in the country and lives will be changed in Saskatchewan and beyond because of the way future generations of health-care professionals will learn together within this facility. We hope that many others will be inspired to support this project.”

In recognition of their support, the new state-of-the-art library and 500-seat lecture theatre in the Health Sciences building will be named the Leslie and Irene Dubé Health Sciences Library and the Leslie and Irene Dubé Theatre.

Restaurant makeover

The renovations in Marquis Hall, the food services in Marquis Hall, boy, what an improvement! And I think we are hearing that from our students. The ones that I talked to say that they are enormously pleased with what we have been able to achieve over there. - Peter MacKinnon

Marquis Hall underwent a *Restaurant Makeover*-type facelift over the past two summers and the newly renovated culinary centre was unveiled in December. Split into two phases, the end result of the \$6.8-million renovation is an open concept space that offers

an eclectic and nutritious menu to around 1,000 customers per meal.

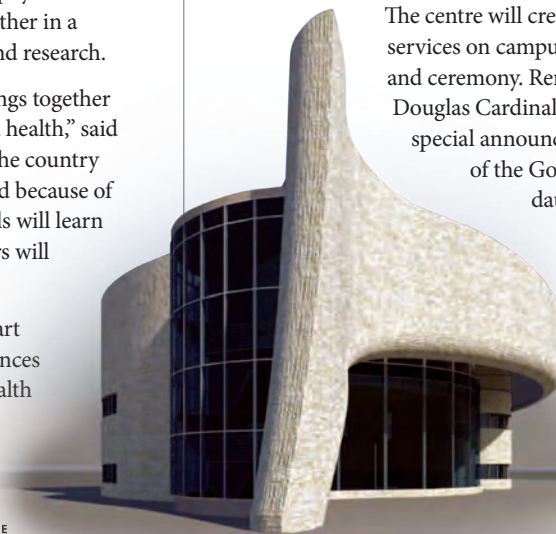
Between the changes to the space as well as changing the menu from cafeteria to cuisine, Executive Chef James McFarland said he knows the U of S is on the right track. “One thing we have figured out is that we can have a large influence on every day campus life by engaging students and faculty through food and a positive dining experience. We look forward to continuing to elevate that experience.”

Aboriginal student centre

The Gordon Oakes-Red Bear Student Centre is for students of the University of Saskatchewan and should be a place of cultural respect for Aboriginal peoples and their history. But it is also a place to bring people together and to symbolize the importance of that part of our history which, in fairness, I think we should acknowledge has not always been as fully recognized as it should have been. We know too that we want Aboriginal students to view the University of Saskatchewan as their university. - Peter MacKinnon

On October 4, after more than a dozen years of planning, it was announced that the U of S will proceed with construction of the Gordon Oakes-Red Bear Student Centre—to be built in Wiggins Court between the Arts Tower and the Murray Library.

The centre will create a hub for Aboriginal student services on campus as well as space for teaching, learning and ceremony. Renderings of the centre—designed by Douglas Cardinal Architect Inc—were unveiled at the special announcement that was attended by members of the Gordon Oakes family, including his daughter Irene who said the centre speaks to her father's vision of two horses—one representing Aboriginal people, the other non-Aboriginal—working together as a team.





Russell and Katherine Morrison

DAVID STOBBE

College Quarter
undergrad residenceGraduate House
concept rendering

Student housing opens

The new residence is tremendously important. The university did not have enough residence spaces. We needed more, so an opportunity over three years to double the university's residence capacity was a cherished part of the building project and has now advanced. – Peter MacKinnon

Student housing got a big boost at the U of S this past fall with the opening of the College Quarter undergraduate residence, and a \$6.5-million donation from Russell Morrison (BA'44) and his wife, Katherine, toward the construction of a new graduate residence, "Graduate House."

"We wanted to make a productive contribution and felt that this would be the most valuable donation we could make to the U of S," said Russell. "A place for graduate students to live together as a community is of utmost importance."

The undergraduate residence welcomed 360 students this past fall, of a total 800 students when phase one and two are both complete in fall 2012. The new graduate residence—located northeast of the RJD Williams Building—will house 262 students and is scheduled for completion in early 2013.

University finances

The U of S will need to decrease its expenses over the next four years in the face of budget pressures that include lower-than-requested provincial funding, salary and benefit costs rising faster than revenue increases, solvency and going concern pension issues, and the pressing need for capital renewal to support teaching, research and innovation.

At a public town hall meeting April 3, Provost and Vice-President Academic Brett Fairbairn (BA'81) and Vice-President Finance and Resources Richard Florizone (BE'90, MSc'92), outlined how the 2.1 per cent increase in the institution's operating grant for 2012-13, announced in the March 21 provincial budget, affects financial projections for the future. The university had requested a 5.8 per cent grant increase.

"Prior to knowing what our provincial grant would be, we projected a shortfall of \$10 million over the next planning cycle, which is 2012-2016," said Fairbairn. "Now that we know what the grant is, our projected gap is more likely \$12-15 million in 2012-13, and \$20-40 million per year until 2016.

"Our challenge will be to remain focused on our institutional priorities as we work to close the gap between revenue and expenses. That said, our revenue sources are limited and our actions will centre primarily on reducing expenses. We need to think about what we will start doing, and what we will stop doing, but we must ensure that our solutions are sustainable in the long term." The provost pointed out that declining provincial funding is not unique to Saskatchewan, and that post-secondary institutions across the country are grappling with budget pressures similar to those being experienced by the U of S.

Fairbairn explained that budget decisions will be guided by the priorities outlined in the university's recently approved third integrated plan, the academic mission of the institution and principles that include transparency, effective use of data and evidence, and decision-making at appropriate levels within the organization.

For more information or to submit ideas, questions or comments, visit www.usask.ca/finances.



Town hall meeting

JEFF DRAKE

CELL SOLUTIONS

There is an age-old problem in pharmaceutical research—how to deliver drugs to specific cells without damaging the surrounding tissue. And although it sounds stranger than fiction, a U of S researcher might have a modern day answer: use nanotechnology to treat diseases like cancer at the cellular level.



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Azita Haddadi, assistant professor in the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition, is investigating how to modify nanoparticles for targeted delivery of chemotherapy and immunotherapy agents. This research, she said, “could be a very important approach in chemotherapy because we could target the medicine to tumors with limited exposure to the healthy parts of the body.”

Targeted delivery has been a main focus of her work since arriving at the U of S a couple of years ago. “My long-term goal is finding ways to improve cancer treatment,” Haddadi explained. “The immune system attacks foreigners, including cancerous cells, as soon as they appear in the body, but in people with cancer, their immune system doesn’t recognize it as something to attack and destroy. This is why cancer patients have a higher incidence of recurrence.”

This lack of immune response is what Haddadi is focusing on. She wants to develop a delivery system

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for immunotherapy that will target immune cells and give them a boost so that they fight cancer. In order to do this, she is looking at modifying nanoparticles so that they are attracted to these cells. She and her research team are working with an FDA-approved polymer (known as PLGA) that can be modified to make specific nanoparticles.

“We first determine which cells we want to target and then manipulate PLGA based on need. This technique can be modified for any cell and any disease.” The medicine or antigen is then put in the nanoparticle. “Once the treatment is delivered, the

nanoparticles get hydrolyzed, becoming lactic acid and glycolic acid, and harmlessly leave the body.”

Next steps for her research include optimizing the manipulation and modification of the PLGA nanoparticles based on their targeting behavior, understanding the relationship between modification and behavior, and testing treatment delivery efficiency.

The hope is that this process can be adapted to any disease, making treatment more efficient and in some cases, beating diseases before even becoming a full-blown concern. ■

SOLAR RESEARCH SHINES

Developing solar cells that are cheap, durable and deliver more electrical energy is the goal of U of S alumnus and chemistry professor Ron Steer, and with \$492,000 from the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council, his research is really starting to shine.

“Solar energy represents the ultimate source of ‘green’ power,” said Steer (BA’63, PhD’68, DSc’95). “The available global supply represents about 10,000 times the world’s current combined electrical power generation capacity.”

That this research is taking place in Saskatchewan is no coincidence, as southern Saskatchewan and Alberta—each with about 2,500 hours of bright sunshine per year—top the list of places in Canada in terms of annual sunshine hours.

But harvesting this abundance is a challenge, Steer explained, adding there are two main types of photovoltaic cells that harness sunlight and convert it into usable electricity. The first are inorganic cells, such as those used on the International Space Station, which can convert about 40 per cent or more of the sun’s energy into electricity but are much too expensive for widespread use. The second is an organic solar cell that, while considerably less expensive, is also much less efficient—topping out at 10 per cent efficiency and degrading too quickly for commercial use.

This is where Steer and his team—including Matt Paige, Tim Kelly, Ian Burgess and Rob Scott—are hoping to make progress, turning organic cells that are comparatively inefficient into more efficient and long-lasting sources of electrical energy.

“For me, these ideas are based on my 30-plus years of research in fundamental chemistry and physics that tells us there are a number of ways we can improve on current organic cells,” said Steer. “We have the proof of principle and soon we’ll be at the stage of having working devices.”

The team has discovered a way to allow dye-sensitized photovoltaic cells (DSCs) to use more of the sunlight that hits them, and in particular, infrared rays that make up more than half of the solar energy reaching earth. They are also working to incorporate extremely tough materials, such as carbon nanotubes, into the DSCs to make them durable as well.

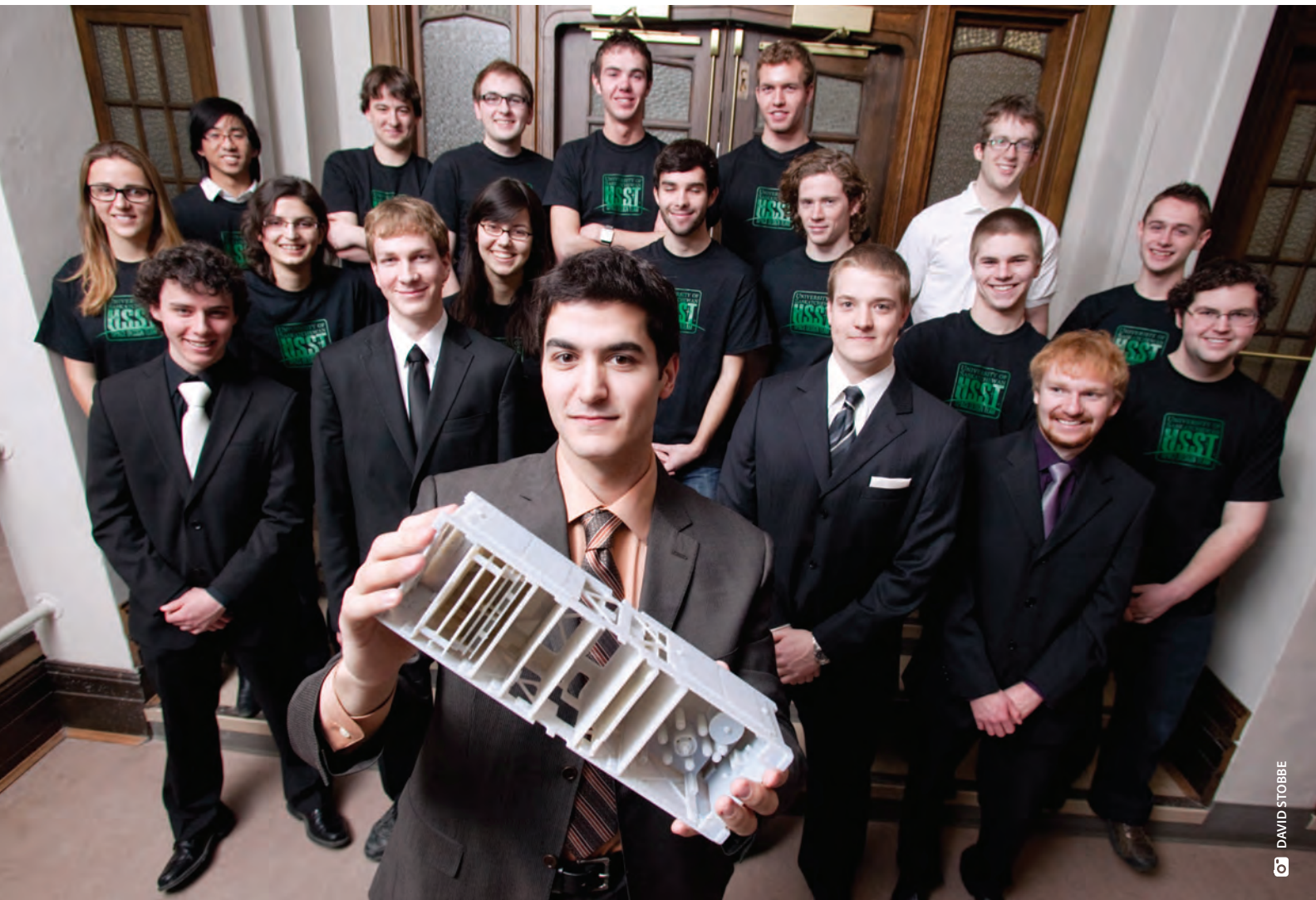
“We have proof of our principle that we can make a more affordable and robust cell,” explained Steer, who has been in the U of S Department of Chemistry since 1969. “If we can achieve even the slightest increase, even one or two per cent efficiency of these cells, it could be beneficial to everyone.”

In the process, they could revitalize the solar industry and turn the sunniest place in Canada into a working grid of solar energy. ■

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REAL ROCKET SCIENCE

BY MARK A. FERGUSON

The University of Saskatchewan Space Design Team (USST) is one step closer to building and launching their new nanosatellite prototype into orbit.

This past February, the team—made up of 40 U of S students from the College of Engineering, Edwards School of Business, the Department of Computer Science, and other disciplines across campus—completed the first step with a successful presentation at the Canadian Satellite Design Challenge’s (CSDC) critical design review in Ottawa.

Represented by USST President Aarya Shahsavari and five of his teammates, their design placed third overall among the 12 other teams entered in the contest. “I think our presentation went exceptionally

well,” said Shahsavari. “We know a few areas where we need to improve our design if we want to be space-worthy, but I think the USST is in really good shape.”

Shahsavari said there is a big learning curve for these types of competitions and after an almost-four-hour presentation to a panel of judges, the team was feeling confident they had succeeded. While they are not yet aware of what the next round of competition (fall 2012) will look like, Shahsavari is betting they will be required to build a functional satellite capable of undergoing stress tests in preparation for space flight.

“We’re looking down the road now and most of us are aware that once school is finished for the summer, we’ll be spending nearly every day testing our satellite to make it ready for space flight. We have engineered a space-worthy satellite and I know that we will be ready, but this is difficult stuff—it is rocket science,” he added with a chuckle.

For the immediate future, the USST will be focusing on an even bigger challenge—finding the funds necessary to build a working satellite. The team estimates that they will need \$500,000 to complete the next stage of the mission. ■



ON THE RHODES AGAIN

Add Anne Kelly to the list of U of S students to receive the prestigious Rhodes Scholarship. Kelly (BA'10) was one of 11 students from across Canada to receive the honour in 2012.

“This success, for me, is the outcome of the exceptional training and support which I have received from so many different people over the years,” said the 23-year-old Kelly, currently pursuing a master’s degree in English. “I have been fortunate to engage with a wide and diverse community of people in Saskatoon and owe much to L’École canadienne-française high-school, to St. Thomas More College, and to the University of Saskatchewan.”

As a Rhodes Scholar, Kelly will receive tuition, school fees and a stipend for living expenses

while studying at the University of Oxford, where she will enrol in the Master of Studies in Medieval Studies in the fall of 2012.

The Rhodes Scholarship was established in 1902 and considered the world’s oldest and most prestigious international graduate scholarship. Including Kelly, 69 U of S graduates have been awarded Rhodes Scholarships.

Visit usask.ca/greenandwhite to view a list of other U of S Rhodes Scholars. ■

WHERE THERE’S A WiL

The U of S student group Women in the Legislature (WiL) started about a year ago to encourage women to consider getting involved in politics, an influential career path in which women are currently under-represented.

“Both provincially and federally, it’s around 20 per cent and that’s something we want to address,” said Shira Fenyes, one of the group’s founders. “We think that just by getting women more interested and engaged in politics, we can get them to consider careers in politics.”

To that end, the group organized a conference in March 2012 that brought 20 female undergraduate students to Regina to spend a day in the provincial legislature. Part of the day’s program included attending question period and the opportunity to meet with woman MLAs, civil servants and administrators.

WiL members pictured here are, from left to right, Taylor-Anne Yee, Shira Fenyes, Miriam Müller, Heather Franklin, Bryn Rees, Sara Waldbillig and Paula Steckler. ■



MARK FERGUSON

View from *the top*

Peter MacKinnon recounts
37 years at the U of S.

BY DERRICK KUNZ

Peter MacKinnon (LLM'76) found a home at the University of Saskatchewan.

Originally from Prince Edward Island, he arrived on campus in 1975 and he never left. He started as a student in the College of Law, a college in which he would later become a professor and then dean.

In 1999, he literally found a home at the U of S when he moved into the President's Residence as the university's eighth president, a position he has held for 13 years, making him third longest serving president in U of S history behind only Walter Murray (1908-37) and John W.T. Spinks (1959-74).

That's 37 years since first setting foot on campus. That's 37 years of collecting stories and seeing a university undergo remarkable change. Evidence of his leadership can be found in virtually every corner of campus, as well as all of the students who became alumni under his watch.

But after 37 years of service at the University of Saskatchewan, he has decided to step down as president. "There is no perfect time, but some times are better than others," he explained, adding that the university has an experienced Board of Governors, an integrated and very able group of senior executives, and stable budget and planning cycles. "It was a combination of circumstances that led me to believe that this is as good a time as any for that transition."

In his final interview with the *Green & White* as president, he speaks with passion and zeal about the U of S, his time as president and what being a U of S alumnus means to him.

G&W: Shortly after you became president you wrote a document called *renewing the Dream*. What was the dream, and what about it needed renewal?

PM: The ambitions of the founders of this university are evident on our campus. You can see it in the beauty of this place. For people to realize their dreams, a university like this was tremendously important. That was a powerful, motivating dream and the people who were doing it—the people who were building the university—were not doing it for themselves. They were doing it for their children and their grandchildren; they were doing it for the contribution the university would make to the province.

The years go by and the history of any institution takes unexpected twists and turns along the way. And from time to time it is important,

I think, to revisit the original dream and ask, "What were its enduring qualities, and are they still with us today?"

For a university president, a document like *renewing the Dream* gives you sign posts along the way. It gives you points of reference for a presidency. It gives you an anchor in the wind because this is a very large organization, and the dreams and the voices and the influences and perspectives vary. That's how it must be, that is how it should be. But a president has to have some sign posts, some anchors in the wind, and *renewing the Dream* became that for me. It really became an important document, not just in the year it was published in 2001, but throughout the entire now nearly 13 years of my presidency.



...wherever possible we continue with the enduring architectural traditions of the campus, including the use of the greystone and much of the collegiate gothic influence. I think people who study at the Kinesiology Building or the two new Health Science wings, or other projects on campus would say we have honored the architectural strength and traditions of the campus.

DAVID STOBBE

G&W: How do alumni fit into your vision or your dream for this university?

PM: I have said many times, and I believe it passionately, that the university takes its pulse through its alumni. What are they doing?





Receiving 100 Alumni of Influence award from Chancellor Vera Pezer



Legal follies: Dan Ish & Peter MacKinnon



Patricia Brachman, President MacKinnon, Dr. Ed Brachman (BA'44) at the La Jolla, CA event



2011 Orientation

Where are they? What are the contributions they are making in their professional lives, in their personal lives, in their community service?

The graduates of the University of Saskatchewan are all over the world, and I take great pride in their achievements. I take great enjoyment in the opportunities that I have to visit with the alumni, and I take great inspiration from them because fundamentally that is what the place is all about. It is about our students—past, present and future. And the alumni are our past students and a fundamentally important part of our university and our future.

G&W: Campus has changed a lot during your presidency. Can you talk about how the campus has physically changed.

PM: We know that we have a wonderful campus. We have terrific architecture. We have made some mistakes, but not too many. And it was very important to me, from day one, not to make any more mistakes. I think we have been able to do that.

There really is a multi-dimensional approach to the building of infrastructure. You build it for student services, you build it for the student experience, you build it for national purposes, you build it for other needs and you renovate sometimes to prevent buildings from falling down and to recapture important historical buildings.

We have had tremendous opportunities during the past 10 or 12 years to build new infrastructure and to renew some of the old, including this building, the College Building. It really is the architectural center-piece of the University of Saskatchewan—the original academic building, a national historic site, a provincial heritage building. It was crumbling and dark and it was closed to the campus and the public when I became president.

I used to say that this building haunted me because I walked by it several times a day and there it was—empty, crumbling, symbolically and substantively. It was depressing. I would come around the corner in the morning whistling, and then all of the sudden there was the College Building. And I would stop in my tracks and feel a sense of great distress that we, the entire community at the university and beyond, had not rescued this building. We did rescue it, and we reopened it four days after the 100th anniversary of the establishment of this wonderful province of ours in 2005.

G&W: You often mention the student experience. Students affectionately refer to you as P-Mac. You did the ceremonial kick-off at the Centennial Homecoming football game, you danced with Howler in the Bowl and you took part in a Flash Mob with students during orientation last year; these are not necessarily things people would picture a university president doing. Why are they important to you?

PM: They are fun, my job is fun! There are many dimensions to the work of a president and a dimension that I have always prized is the connection with students. I started here in 1975 as assistant professor of law and for 23 years, including the 10 years that I was dean of the College of Law, I taught students. The students at the University of Saskatchewan are great young people. They see the university not as a place of entitlement but as a place of opportunity. There is all the difference in the world when you see a place as a place of opportunity. You take advantage of the opportunity but you respect it. You respect all that it means, you respect what others have built, you respect all of the interests and investments that have gone into the university over the years, and I have found that our students do that.



Ceremonial kick-off at 2007 Homecoming football game (centennial)



Addressing students in Melfort during President's Provincial Tour in 2009-10



Homecoming football game 2011 with USSU president Scott Hitchings and Alumni Association president Jason Aebig

G&W: You often refer to the position of president as the university's chief storyteller. What are your favourite stories to tell?

PM: Well, there are so many of them. But for me, the university comes alive through its stories. Some reflect the university's history, or its current situation, and perhaps future ambitions, better than others. I think part of the role of the university president is to talk about the university in human terms. I don't know that I would single out a single story as being a favourite, but there are some that you talk about more than others. You talk about Gerhard Herzberg and the unfortunate circumstances in which he came to the university; or Sylvia Fedoruk and Cobalt-60, which has saved the lives of hundreds of thousands, perhaps millions of cancer sufferers. These are great stories, and there are quite a few of them. You hope that the university comes alive and remains alive in the minds of those who love it in part through these stories.

G&W: What are you most proud of during your presidency?

PM: (Laughter) I don't know if there is a single thing. You know, when you approach the conclusion of your time in an office like this you have things you are proud of. You also have regrets. I am certainly proud that we were able to tackle many of the infrastructure issues. I am proud of the fact that we were able to emphasize the student experience. I am proud of the fact that we were able to make progress in the university's research capacity and performance. We have more work to do there, and we have made a lot of progress there too. I think the university has a great future, a great future.

G&W: In hindsight, are there things you wish had turned out differently or you would have done differently?

PM: Well, I think that there are always those. Whether they are matters of substance, matters of process, you know we all make mistakes and we are conscious of those. I have sometimes said, "I wish the victories felt as good as the defeats feel bad." And any university presidency is a mixture of both. And mine is too. Others will have to evaluate the balance, but I think on the whole I leave office believing that I did the job as well as I could do the job.

G&W: What does it mean to you to be a University of Saskatchewan alumnus?

PM: Well, it means a tremendous amount. I decided when I was a young person growing up in Prince Edward Island that I was going to use my university years to see the country. So, I attended university in different parts of Canada. I still think that was one of the luckiest days of my earliest years was the day when one of my professors, W.R. Lederman, at Queen's University, who was from Saskatoon and a graduate from the University of Saskatchewan, said, "So you want to see a little bit of western Canada, why don't you go to the University of Saskatchewan?"

It was because he suggested it that I ended up coming out to the University of Saskatchewan. Loved it! Just loved it, and have ever since. So being a graduate of the university just increases the connection.

G&W: What are your plans for the future?

PM: Looking for honest work. (Laughter) I have ruled nothing out, but in the immediate future I do want to write a book. It is the nature of this work that you are exposed to many circumstances, situations, activities on many different levels. And I think I could make a useful contribution to literature on universities and university presidencies.

G&W: Any final thoughts or comments to alumni that you want to share?

PM: Thank you. Thank you for your interest, thank you for your support. Thank you for caring so much about the University of Saskatchewan. ■

Visit www.usask.ca/greenandwhite for a video of the interview and behind-the-scenes photos.

Prairie Pragmatism

BY JEFF DAVIS

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When Canada's most powerful club—the Council of the Federation—comes together, there exists an even more exclusive society within its ranks: University of Saskatchewan alumni.

Three U of S alumni—Brad Wall (BA'87), Alison Redford (LLB'88) and Darrell Pasloski (BSP'82)—are Canadian premiers.



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Three of Canada's sitting premiers— Saskatchewan's Brad Wall (BA'87), Alberta's Alison Redford (LLB'88) and the Yukon's Darrell Pasloski (BSP'82)—trace their academic roots to the U of S.

And when Canada's most influential table convenes, this trio can't help but reflect on just how far their alma mater's influence extends, little more than 100 years after its founding.

"Just on a purely personal level, when you get all these people together, there's definitely some Saskatchewan pride that shines through," Premier Pasloski said. "Saskatchewan's greatest export is people, and certainly if you look around at some of the influential people that have come from Saskatchewan—on a per capita basis—it's pretty staggering."

the generally keen interest in politics observed in Saskatchewan, including on campus.

"Saskatchewan is interested in, on any given day, football, the weather and politics, and I think that's also the case on our campuses," Premier Wall said.

Although he dabbled in a few political rallies in high school, what really set him on a trajectory towards the premiership were his years at the U of S. "My interest in politics really fomented at the university," he said. "When I went to the U of S—the same time that Premier Redford was there—there was a very active and pretty compelling campus club for any of the major political parties."

After four years, Premier Wall emerged with a BA and a slew of friends whose political careers would parallel his

Did you know?

- The former First Lady of the State of Oregon, Sharon Anne Kitzhaber, (PHYSIO'77) is a U of S grad.
- Gerda Hnatyshyn (BSHEC'57) was the spouse of Governor General Ray Hnatyshyn (BA'54, LLB'56, LLD'90)
- Johnson Nkuuhe (MSc'79; PhD'82) was a Member of Parliament for the Government of the Republic of Uganda.
- When U of S alumnus Lorne Nystrom (BA'71) was elected as a Member of Parliament in 1968 he was only 22 years of age, the youngest MP in Canadian history.
- In 2000, at the age of 24, the Honourable James Moore (MA'11), was elected as a Member of Parliament, the youngest MP elected from the province of British Columbia.
- Pat Atkinson (BE'77) is one of the longest serving female MLAs in SK (1986 – 2011)

...people realize we should just be doing what works, and not worry about what part of the spectrum it's in...

In decades past, U of S grads were forced to leave the province in search of employment opportunities. Today, as a result, the university's alumni have scaled the ladders of power, and are making the prairies' political clout known from coast to coast.

But this exporting of expertise is coming to an end, according to Premier Wall. With rosy prospects on the horizon for the province, he said, the new generation of U of S grads will not have to venture so far afield to find the opportunities they crave.

"For a long time we were exporting agricultural products, oil, potash and way too many grads of the U of S," Premier Wall said. "But we began to turn things around in terms of immigration, and we've got people coming back from across the country."

Even though you can count Premier Pasloski —born in Manitoba to Saskatchewanian parents who left the province in search of economic opportunity—among those who left, he said his family has maintained its connection to prairie life; his son just graduated from the U of S with a degree in geological engineering, and the family is getting closer to setting down new roots in the province.

"When I graduated 30 years ago, there wasn't a lot of opportunity in Saskatchewan and I left," he said. "But today, there is a sort of call to come back to the province. I can't heed it myself but my son did."

Today, University of Saskatchewan graduates populate the political offices in Ottawa, in various provincial capitals, and of course, in Saskatchewan. This should come as no surprise, Premier Wall said, given

own for years to come. A number of fellow alumni now work within his administration, he said, but an even larger number have fanned out into political advisory and staff positions in Ottawa and across the country.

"The University of Saskatchewan is known as a pretty powerful academic institution in the country, and it's known by its exports even as much as for those that stayed in the province," he said.

Just as former Prime Minister John Diefenbaker and former Governor General Ray Hnatyshyn were giants on the political scene in their day, Wall suspects the current generation of U of S alumni will similarly leave their mark on the country.

Ironically, none of the three premiers hold degrees in political science. Wall studied public administration, while Redford studied law. Pasloski, meanwhile, is a special feather in the cap of the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition, since he is the first pharmacist in Canadian history to become a premier.

Partly responsible for the success of U of S grads in national politics, Wall suspects, is that peculiar prairie ethos of no frills pragmatism. Rather than thinking too much about left and right in politics, he said, Saskatchewanians are mostly concerned with up and down.

"I think there's something to prairie pragmatism where people realize we should just be doing what works, and not worry about what part of the spectrum it's in," he said. "How many people sit around the coffee shop in Swift Current and talk about whether they're right wing, middle or left wing?"



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Clockwise from top: Darrell Pasloski (BSP'82), Alison Redford (LLB'88) and Brad Wall (BA'87).

Premier Pasloski said he took his prairie values with him as he traveled north, and says his plainspoken prairie approach to politics is paying off for him. Born to a family of homesteaders, Premier Pasloski traces his roots to one of the countless small communities that—like many on the prairies—are clustered around the local grain elevator. There he learned the values of self-reliance and industry, he said, and to never turn away a neighbour in need.

“At a time when government didn’t do a lot for anybody, they made do, and communities worked very strongly together,” Premier Pasloski said. “There was a sense of collective responsibility, so communities would look after themselves.”

That sense of togetherness and collective responsibility, combined with a provincial boom that promises to endure for decades, is leading to graduates boomeranging back home like never before. The demand for labour in the province is so high, Premier Wall said, that 90,000 skilled workers will be needed over the next decade.

Desperate to keep up with the demands of the ever-expanding labour market, Premier Wall has taken his search international, making a recent trip to Ireland to recruit 275 skilled workers.

For proof that a new dawn has risen for the prairies one has to look no farther than the numbers. “In the last reporting period for StatsCan, we actually recorded a net immigration from other provinces,” Premier Wall said. “So it’s completely turned around.” ■

NOTE:

Alison Redford was in the midst of campaigning for the April 23 election when this issue of the *Green & White* went to print, and was unable to participate in this feature.

Let’s get political

U of S alumni have gone on to hold a wide variety of political positions from Prime Minister of Canada, to Member of Parliament for the Government of the Republic of Uganda. One thing is certain, our alumni are political leaders and making their mark all around the world.

In municipal politics, 33 U of S alumni have been elected to the Office of Mayor for towns and cities in Saskatchewan; five alumni have been elected mayor in other provincial towns and cities. In Saskatchewan, 54 of our alumni have been elected as a city councilors or alderman—outside of Saskatchewan, nine alumni have been elected as a

city councilor or alderman for other provincial towns and cities.

U of S alumni have had just as much success in provincial politics. We boast five premiers of Saskatchewan and five alumni appointed to the position of Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan. Outside of Saskatchewan, our alumni have been elected as premier of Alberta, Yukon and Northwest Territories, as well as Lieutenant Governor of Alberta. We have had 144 alumni elected to the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan and nine to other Canadian Legislative Assemblies.

In addition to the Right Honourable John Diefenbaker, (BA’15, MA’16, LLB’19, DCL’58) who served as Prime Minister of Canada and Ray Hnatyshyn (BA’54, LLB’56, LLD’90) Governor General of Canada, our alumni have had great success in federal politics: there have been 58 alumni elected as Members of Parliament for the Province of Saskatchewan, five elected as Members of Parliament from other Canadian provinces, nine appointed to the Senate of Canada and seven as Federal Cabinet Ministers.



Introducing Ilene

U of S introduces Ilene Busch-Vishniac as ninth president

Ilene Busch-Vishniac is warm, engaging and she smiles easily. She is also looking forward to moving to Saskatoon where she will become the ninth president of the University of Saskatchewan, on July 1.

She was introduced as the university's next president—replacing Peter MacKinnon after 13 years at the helm—to a standing-room-only crowd in Convocation Hall on December 19.

“I marvel that a one-time music student from Philadelphia has somehow managed to navigate a winding path, ending up here as the president of the University of Saskatchewan,” said Busch-Vishniac, currently provost and vice-president academic at McMaster University.

Born January 28, 1955, Busch-Vishniac's winding path started in Fairless Hills, Pennsylvania where she grew up. She studied piano at the Eastman School of Music while taking classes at the University of Rochester but one semester in, she realized the performing arts were not for her. A freshman class called physics of music piqued her interest in acoustics and she switched to physics and mathematics for her undergraduate degrees. She later earned her Master of Science and PhD in mechanical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

Prior to joining McMaster University, Busch-Vishniac served as dean of engineering at Johns Hopkins University and associate chair of mechanical engineering at the University of Texas (Austin).

“What I've learned moving into new positions is that people want to tell you what they value, the history and traditions of the institution, and it's very important to hear that,” Busch-Vishniac said, adding she is looking forward to meeting all members of the U of S community.

Her husband, Ethan Vishniac, is a professor of physics and astronomy, and editor of *The Astrophysical Journal*. The couple have two daughters—Cady, 26, and Miriam, 23. ■

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Canada's Oilsands

The Journey from Mordor to the Shire

BY BEVERLY FAST

*College of Engineering professor and alumnus
Lee Barbour is using a new industrial
research chair to help turn Mordor-like oil
sands mines back into the Shire.*

A few years ago, Lee Barbour (BE'79, MSc'81, PhD'87) and his wife Twila were driving up to an oil sands mine north of Fort McMurray where Barbour was doing research into mine site reclamation. Topping a small rise, they came across a panoramic view of the mine—and it wasn't pretty. The highway stretched like a "long causeway between two gaping open pits steaming with newly placed tailings, the dark shadow and blinking lights of the refinery facing us at the end of the causeway," Barbour said. "For a moment, we felt like hobbits heading on a quest towards Mordor."

Yet this landscape is the focus of Barbour's research efforts—and has been so for over 10 years. He wanted his wife to see an active oil sands mine; he also wanted her to see how his research was helping return the land to a natural state. He took her to Bill's Lake, a reclaimed wetland on a former Syncrude mine site. It is named after the late Bill Stolte, a U of S hydrologist and Barbour's former colleague.

"Bill's Lake looks a lot more like the Shire," he said. "I noticed how her face lightened as we sat by a beautiful wetland, surrounded by trees and grasses, watching muskrats in the wetland with birds overhead."

The analogy to Mordor and the Shire, from J.R.R. Tolkien's *The Lord of the Rings*, is one Barbour frequently uses when talking about his work. He's not blind to the environmental impact of oil sands development, but as an engineer he understands the enormous economic benefit to Canada. He also sees how the issue is polarizing Canadian opinion. He's met people who are pro oil sands development no matter what the environmental cost, and he's met people who are against oil sands development no matter what the economic cost.

"Some choose to see only Mordor—others only dream of the Shire. There are lots of good reasons to believe that there is a path between Mordor and the Shire," he said. "When my



In February, Lee Barbour was awarded an industrial research chair to provide insights into the performance of reclaimed mining areas.

LIAM RICHARDS

wife got to see an oil sands mine and the reclaimed wetland at Bill's Lake on the same day, I could see hope return to her face."

Jointly Funded Research

In February, the University of Saskatchewan announced that Barbour had been awarded a \$2.6-million industrial research chair in Hydrogeological Characterization of Oil Sands Mine Closure Landforms. Jointly funded by the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) and Syncrude, with another \$1 million in in-kind support from the university and Syncrude, the research chair will provide insights into the performance of reclaimed mining areas. Understanding the long-term challenges and impacts of oil sands development is critical because the industry could be operating in northern Alberta for the next 100 years.

Barbour's interest in mine reclamation research goes back to his days as a young faculty member when he co-founded the Unsaturated Soils Group with his former PhD supervisor, Del Fredlund (BE'62), and another young faculty member, Ward Wilson. Fredlund was one of the world's leading experts on soil hydrology and a mentor of Barbour's early interest in the workings of mine closure covers—the systems and materials used to establish sustainable ecosystems on former mine site areas.

Barbour's work attracted the attention of Syncrude in the late 1990s. "The initial focus of our work with Syncrude was the effectiveness of the different covers in storing water and sustaining an upland forest environment. As we've grown more confident in our understanding of how the covers work, we shifted to investigating how much water is moving through the reclaimed mine landforms. With the new research

chair, we are extending on earlier work by tracking the movement of water deep into reconstructed landforms until its eventual release to adjacent surface water.

"The research will assist the industry in developing strategies to ensure that water released from mine closure landforms will not have a detrimental impact on the receiving environment. It will also work to develop innovative methods of monitoring groundwater recharge into disturbed landforms—methods that can be applied not only at oil sands mines but at a range of other mine sites as well," Barbour said.

The research site is located 35 kilometres north of Fort McMurray on two watersheds, part of a 3,400-hectare stretch of permanently reclaimed land at Syncrude's Mildred Lake facility. It will also include new reclaimed areas, one of which features a 17-hectare fen pilot project that represents the oil sands industry's first attempt at creating a wetland from the ground up.

"By exploring the magnitude, rate, pathway and chemistry of groundwater in reclaimed areas, we hope to provide oil sands developers like Syncrude with the information and tools they need to create new landscapes that are sustainable and capable of supporting natural processes," he explained.

Building on a Solid Reputation


Barbour often reminds young engineers that research requires co-operative relationships among government, industry and university, as well as among scientists, engineers, graduate students and industry representatives. "For example, when we first established our research sites in the 1990s, it didn't take long to realize that while we worked in civil and

hydrological engineering, there were many other interesting questions that needed answering. We needed to expand our collaboration, so we reached out to others."

Today, this group of "others" includes Jim Hendry (geology) and Bing Si (soil science) from the U of S, Garth van der Kamp and Len Wassenaar from Environment Canada, and Carl Mendoza and Kevin Devito from the University of Alberta.

Over the years, Barbour and his research colleagues have introduced a number of engineering alumni to the oil sands industry. "When you talk about mine closure and research in the oil sands industry, you find the U of S has a very strong reputation," he said. "People seem to love our graduates. I don't know how many times I've had people from industry say to me, 'we sure like the engineers you put out'. It's primarily because we get great kids to start with, but the university also does well with building the relationship and turning out students who know how to behave as professionals."

Barbour knows firsthand the difference U of S engineering alumni can make in the mine reclamation field. As the new research chair, he is anticipating that between six and eight graduate students, post docs and undergraduates will be joining his team of collaborators as part of a "Fellowship of the Ring" as they set out to explore the paths from Mordor to the Shire. ■



Bill's Lake, a reclaimed wetland on a former Syncrude mine site, is named after the late Bill Stolte, a U of S hydrologist.

HEALTHY HONOUR

Lorne Babiuk (BSA'67, MSc'69, DSc'87), one of the country's leaders in health research, has received the Canada Gairdner Wightman Award for accomplishments over three decades that include building the U of S Vaccine and Infectious Disease Organization (VIDO) into a world centre for vaccine research, training and development.

As director of VIDO—which underwent a \$19.4-million expansion in 2003 during his tenure—Babiuk led a team that developed six world-first livestock vaccines, including the first genetically engineered vaccine for an animal species. Known for applying animal research to human diseases, he created a vaccine against rotavirus in calves that enabled researchers to develop a vaccine against the viral bowel infection in children.

Prior to becoming vice-president research at the University of Alberta in 2007, he set in motion the creation of the International Vaccine Centre (InterVac) at

the U of S. Officially opened in 2011, the \$140-million level three biocontainment facility is one of the largest of its kind in the world and key to advancing the next generation of vaccines designed to combat diseases such as pandemic influenza, West Nile virus, tuberculosis and numerous others.

The \$100,000 Canada Gairdner Wightman Award is given to a Canadian who demonstrates “outstanding leadership in medicine and medical science through his/her career.” ■



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PICASSO IN PRINT

After years of travelling the world dealing art, Frederick Mulder (BA'64) found himself back at the U of S in January to announce his donation of six Pablo Picasso prints to the university's art collection. While on campus, he also spoke about his journey from the prairies to the world of Picasso.

Mulder talked about growing up in the town of Eston, SK, where he sold Christmas cards door to door “saving up to go to university,” he said. “So I guess even in those days I knew I wanted to come to the University of Saskatchewan, and thankfully I did.”

After studying philosophy at the U of S, Mulder travelled to Rhode Island to attend Brown University. He later found himself in England where he completed his doctorate at Oxford University. While it was always his intention to return to Canada, he wound up staying in London where he started a business dealing in original prints.

“When I finished my doctorate, which was in philosophy, and although I had never done an art history course in my life, I decided I would set up as a dealer in European print making in London,” said Mulder, who because of that business is one of the world's leading dealers in Picasso's prints—with a list of clients that includes many of the world's major museums.

“Picasso was one of the world's great artists, and it's been a wonderful, strange journey from a small prairie town to dealing in his work, meeting his family and his printers, and now bringing his work to the University of Saskatchewan,” said Mulder, who

continues to work and live in London, and is known across Britain for not only his artistic expertise but also for his personal philanthropy.

Mulder donated the following Picasso prints to the University of Saskatchewan:

- Exposition Vallauris (1952)
- Exposition Vallauris (1955)
- Exposition de Vallauris (1955)
- Avant la Pique. II (1959)
- Nature Morte au Casse-Croûte. II (1962)
- Tête de Bouffon. Carnaval (1965) ■



Alumni Association President's Message

Spring is a time for renewal and transition. This is particularly true for the University of Saskatchewan and the Alumni Association.

During the last couple of years, your association has been conducting a governance review. That review is coming to an end, and the board has endorsed the association adopting a

new set of by-laws. These by-laws will be voted on by you, our members, at the Annual General Meeting June 20. Moving from a constitution-based board to one governed by by-laws is a significant step, and I encourage you to take an active part in this change at the AGM. See page 23 for details on the meeting.

Another major undertaking was the work we conducted on renewing traditions, symbols and ceremonies at the U of S. A working committee has reviewed the report and has presented recommendations to the board. Initial feedback supports our recommendations to implement an induction ceremony for students entering their first year at the U of S. Introducing a symbol to mark the start of a student's time at the U of S as well as a second symbol to mark the occasion of graduation were ideas that received wide support.

The university is also undergoing its own transition as we say goodbye to President MacKinnon and welcome his successor, Ilene Busch-Vishniac. President MacKinnon has made the U of S home for 37 years—13 of those years as its president. I have known and worked closely with Peter as a former student leader, an employee of the university, and now as president of the Alumni Association. Every interaction and conversation with Peter renewed my own sense of pride in our campus and its limitless potential. On behalf of all U of S alumni, I want to thank President MacKinnon for his leadership, vision and the positive change he has brought to our university. We will always count him among our most distinguished and accomplished alumni.

Finally, I want to draw your attention to our annual Alumni Achievement Awards. Nominations are now open and there are many alumni deserving of recognition for their accomplishments and success, so take some time to nominate a fellow alumnus. Award winners will be recognized at a reception November 2 at the Delta Bessborough Hotel in Saskatoon.

Best wishes,

Jason Aebig, BA'99

Achievement Awards nominations are open!

Alumni Achievement Awards recognize our outstanding graduates for their professional, social and community contributions and achievements.

Alumni successes will be recognized through their exemplary contributions in fields such as: Aboriginal initiatives, agriculture, the arts, athletics, sports and wellness, business and industry, community leadership, education, innovation, occupations or professions, philanthropy, public service, research and volunteer service.

Nomination deadline: June 29

SAVE THE DATE!

Recipients will be honoured November 2 at the Delta Bessborough Hotel in Saskatoon.



For nomination and event information visit alumni.usask.ca/awards.

Annual General Meeting Notice

This year's Annual General Meeting (AGM) starts at **6:30 p.m. on June 20, 2012, Convocation Hall.**

The following special business will be transacted at the AGM:

1. Amendment of the Association's Articles.
The original Articles and the proposed Articles of Amendment can be found at alumni.usask.ca/association/agm.php
2. Comprehensive revision of the Association's bylaws.
The proposed bylaws can be found at alumni.usask.ca/association/agm.php

RSVP to alumni.office@usask.ca or 1(800)-699-1907

Volunteer recognition and reception will follow the meeting.

Huskies centennial walk

On February 7, 1,500 Prince Albert students—shown here walking under the Huskie Dog Jake—helped the U of S launch the Huskie Centennial Walk. The 2011-12 Huskie season marks one hundred years of Huskie Athletics and to celebrate this milestone, Huskie Athletics

asked Saskatchewan communities to join a province-wide initiative with a goal to have 100 Communities Celebrating 100 Years of Huskies! The centennial celebrations came to a close with the final centennial walk on campus and an awards gala on March 31.



CLASS NOTES

■ 1940s

Paul Riemer, BE'47, of Saskatoon, SK, received the U of S Retirees Association's Prime of Life Achievement Award.

■ 1950s

Douglas Drew, BE'53, of Toronto, ON, has been inducted into the Canadian Bridge Federation Hall of Fame.

Charles (Don) Bateman, BE'56, of Bellevue, WA, USA, received the National Medal of Technology & Innovation as appointed by U.S. President Obama. He was also inducted into the Saskatchewan Aviation Hall of Fame.

Edward Busse, BA'57, of Qualicum, BC, has been awarded the Saskatchewan Order of Merit.

Thelma Howard, BSHEC'57, of Saskatoon, SK, has been inducted to the Saskatchewan Agricultural Hall of Fame.

Daniel Meneley, BE'58, of Lakefield, ON, was named a fellow by the Engineering Institute of Canada in recognition of his excellence in engineering and service to the profession and society.

Roma Franko, BA'59, BE'61, MA'71, of Toronto, ON, received the U of S Retirees Association's Prime of Life Achievement Award.

Gwenna Moss, BSHEC'59, of Winnipeg, MB, received the U of S Retirees Association's Prime of Life Achievement Award.

■ 1960s

Dennis Johnson, BSP'60, MSC'62, of Saskatoon, SK, received the 2011 Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation Achievement Award.

David Keegan, BA'60, MD'64, of Saskatoon, SK, received the U of S Retirees Association's Prime of Life Achievement Award.

Myron (Ron) Britton, BE'62, of Sanford, MB, has been appointed a fellow of the Canadian Academy of Engineering.

Ronald Cuming, BA'62, LLB'63, of Saskatoon, SK, received the 2011 Ramon John Hnatyshyn Award.

Delwyn Fredlund, BE'62, of Saskatoon, SK, received the U of S Retirees Association's Prime of Life Achievement Award.

M G (Ron) Britton, BE'62, of Sanford, MB, received the 2011 Champion of Engineering Education Award from the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Manitoba.

Alvin Scheiner, BE'63, of Calgary, AB, has been inducted into the Saskatchewan Oil & Gas Hall of Fame.

Ronald Steer, BA'63, PHD'68, DSC'95, of Saskatoon, SK, has been awarded a U of S Distinguished Chair.

Gary Howland, BSA'64, of Regina, SK, received the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association Award of Merit.

Calvin Stiller, MD'65, DSC'07, of London, ON, was appointed as an officer of the Order of Canada. In October he was granted an honorary Doctorate of Science by York University.

Karim Nasser, PhD'65, of Saskatoon, SK, has been awarded the Saskatchewan Order of Merit.



COURTESY OF RELEVANCE MAGAZINE

Recognizing young alumni

Bryan McCrea (BComm'09) is the 2011-12 recipient of the Engaged Alumni Excellence Award, given to a recent graduate who is engaged with their community the university. McCrea is co-founder and CEO of 3twenty Solutions, a Saskatoon-based company that builds modular camps and offices for the mining, oil and gas, and industrial sectors. He is committed to building Saskatchewan through entrepreneurship and the development of the young business community.

The Engaged Alumni Excellence Award is open to alumni who graduated within the past five years and are under 35 years of age or younger. Nominations for next year close on February 15, 2013. Contact alumni.office@usask.ca for more information.

Reconnect with the U of S

With over 138,000 U of S alumni located in 117 countries, you never have to miss the U of S and your fellow alumni. Volunteer with alumni branch, chapter or club and reconnect with your alma mater. We are always looking to make connections with alumni, retired faculty and staff, and friends of the U of S.

Become part of our network. There are many ways to get involved: you can lead a group or be a key contact for the university where you live; boost student, faculty and staff recruitment efforts; and foster relationships with students and recent graduates by mentoring and providing internship opportunities.

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- giving back to current students and the U of S community, and
- increasing the reputation of the U of S.

To express your interest and learn about the volunteer opportunities, visit alumni.usask.ca/volunteer, or phone 966-5186 / 1-800-699-1907.

CLASS NOTES

Valerie-Jean Hume, BA'66, of Palm Springs, CA, was honored by the Desert Theatre League's Desert Stars for her play LUSH!— which she wrote, directed and performed in— including awards for Best Actress, Best Actor, Best Director, Best Supporting Actress and Best Original Writing.

William Seymour, BEd'66, PGD'78, of Saskatoon, SK, has been awarded the Saskatoon Kinsmen Sportsman of the Year.

Clifford (Doug) Annable, BE'67, MSc'69, of Calgary, AB, has been inducted to the Saskatchewan Oil & Gas Hall of Fame.

Arthur Dumont, BE'67, of Calgary AB, has been inducted into the Saskatchewan Oil & Gas Hall of Fame.

Marie Louise Perron, BEd'67, of Ottawa, ON, has recently retired from the Federal Public Service as chief of staff to the Commissioner of Official Languages.

Randall Baker, BA'69, LLB'72, of Lundbreck, AB, has been awarded the 2012 Distinguished Service Award by the Canadian Bar Association, Saskatchewan Branch.

Russell Marchuk, BA'69, of Regina, SK, has been elected as Member of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan (Regina Douglas Park).

1970s

John Little, MD'70, of Naples FL, USA, was appointed to the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees.

Judy Hawkes, BA'71, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed by the Government of Saskatchewan as a member of the Health Services Review Committee.

Rodney Path, LLB'71, of Regina, SK, has been appointed to the Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan.

Harvey Allyn, BSc'72, BEd'73, SC'74, MEd'80, Saskatoon, SK, was nominated to the Canadian Society of Petroleum Geologists, and is on federal executive as treasurer, Canadian Institute for Synchrotron Radiation.

Patricia Cooley, BEd'72, of Rosthern, SK, received the Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism Community Leaders (Rural) Award.

David Hundebly, BE'72, of Saskatoon, SK, has been named a fellow of the American Society of Agricultural & Biological Engineers.

George Willows, BA'73, LLB'73, of Regina, SK, has been appointed to the Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan.

Patricia Katz, BSHec'73, of Saskatoon, SK, recently released her fifth book, *Press Pause...Think Again - More Balance & Perspective For Work & Life*.

Bryan Bilokreli, Arts'74, BA'74, MA'81, of Saskatoon, SK, received the U of S President's Service Award.

Supporting our scholars

Once again this year, the Alumni Association was able to support 23 U of S students—undergraduate and graduate students in a variety of colleges and departments—with scholarships and bursaries funded through the generous donations to the Annual Fund by alumni and friends of the University of Saskatchewan. For more information on the 2011-12 recipients, please visit alumni.usask.ca/association/scholarships.php.

Agriculture reunion

On January 6, faculty, staff and students kicked-off the college's centennial celebrations with an all years reunion. Senior sticks were also invited to attend too as the fully ringed Senior Stick was retired to a display case.

Upcoming events

President's Provincial Tour

May 14, 5:30-7:30 pm
Hotel Saskatchewan, Radisson Plaza, Regina, SK

President MacKinnon's Legacy of Leadership Dinner

June 14, TCU Place, Saskatoon, SK

U of S Alumni Association Annual General Meeting and Volunteer Recognition

June 20, Convocation Hall, U of S Campus, Saskatoon, SK

U of S 2012 Honoured Years Reunion

Celebrating graduates from the years of 1972, 1962, 1952 and earlier
June 21-23, Saskatoon, SK

The Western College of Veterinary Medicine class reunions in the months ahead:

- WCVM Class of 2002
October 13 in Banff, AB
- WCVM Class of 1987
June 8 in Saskatoon, SK
- WCVM Class of 1997
October 13 in Banff, AB
- WCVM Class of 1982
September 7 to September 9 in Edmonton, AB
- WCVM Class of 1992
August 10 to August 12 in Kananaski, AB

For more information, contact Melissa Mann at melissa.mann@usask.ca or 1-306-966-7426.

CLASS NOTES

Glenn Hepp, BSc'74, BEd'80, of Humboldt, SK, was appointed to the Carlton Trail Regional College Board of Directors and has also been appointed chair of the board for a two-year term beginning Sept. 29 2011.

Jerome Konecni, BA'74, MA'76, BEd'77, of Saskatoon, SK, was appointed as CEO of Innovation Saskatchewan by the Government of Canada.

Allan Scholz, BSA'75, BEd'76B, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed as director for the Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists Provincial Council.

Joyce Wells, BEd'75, of Regina, SK, has been appointed as a member of the U of S Senate.

Peter MacKinnon, LLM'76, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed as an officer of the Order of Canada.

Randall Weeks, AGRIC'76, of Biggar, SK, has been elected as Member of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan (Biggar).

Alexander (Sandy) N Konkin, BSc'77, of Nanaimo, BC, retired from teaching high school in Watrous, SK, in 2008.

Ron Hewitt, BA'78, LLB'78, of Victoria, BC, has been named the president and CEO of the Queen Alexandra Foundation for Children in Victoria, BC. He has been awarded the "Sahakmeitre Thnak Seina" medal at the Commanding Officer level by the Prime Minister of Cambodia.

Avon Whittles, BEd'78, MEDUC'94, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed as director of education (effective Aug. 1, 2012) for Saskatoon Public Schools.

Martel Popescul, LLB'79, of Saskatoon, SK, was appointed as Chief Justice of the Court of Queen's Bench for Saskatchewan by Prime Minister Harper.

1980s

Joan Champ BA'80, MA'90, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed executive director of the Saskatchewan Western Development Museum.

Richard Danyliuk, BA'80, LLB'83, of Saskatoon, SK, was appointed as judge of the Court of Queen's Bench of Saskatchewan.

William Grieve, ARTS'81, LLB'84, of Edmonton, AB, received the Queen's Counsel appointment by the Government of Alberta.

Kelly Lendsay, BSPE'81, MBA'94, of Saskatoon, SK, was awarded the AFOA/Xerox Excellence in Aboriginal Leadership Award (National).

Tim McLeod, LLB'82, of Regina, SK, has been appointed to the Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan.

Darrell Pasloski, BSP'82, of Whitehorse, YT, has been re-elected as premier of the Yukon.

David Thera, BA'83, LLB'86, of Regina, SK, was appointed president for the Canadian Bar Association, Saskatchewan Branch.

Monica Behl, BSP'84, MD'98, BScMED'98, of Regina, SK, was appointed by the Government of Saskatchewan as a member of the Health Services Review Committee.

Phillip Mitch McAdam, LLB'84, of Regina, SK, has been appointed to the Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan.

Karen Rees, BSC'84, of Oakville, ON, has been appointed as vice president, exploration for Temex resources Corp.

Alice Wong, BComm'84, MA'90, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed as Cameco Corporation's senior vice president, corporate services.

Nicole Conan, BA'85, of Saskatoon, SK, is working for Cameco at McArthur River Mine Operations as the occupational health nurse.

Kevin Doherty, BA'85, of Regina, SK, has been elected as Member of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan (Regina Northeast).

Catherine Sproule, BEd'85, BA'94, LLB'94, of Saskatoon, SK, has been elected as Member of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan (Saskatoon Nutana).

Patricia Williams, BSPE'85, of Glenavon, SK, completed her Master of Science in health promotion from the University of Alberta in May of 2011.

Gordon Wyant, BA'85, LLB'86, of Saskatoon, SK, has been elected as Member of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan (Saskatoon Northwest).

Robert Kirkpatrick, BComm'86, LLB'87, of Casa Rio, SK, has been appointed to the Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan.

Albert Shpyth, BA'86, of Saskatoon SK, has been appointed the EcoMetrix incorporated lead for the Saskatoon Office.

Graham Addley, BA'87, of Saskatoon, SK, was appointed as director of Office of Communications, Development and Alumni Relations, College of Arts & Science, U of S.

Donna Sigmeth, BA'87, LLB'93, of White City SK, has been appointed to the Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan.

Jane Simington, BSN'87, of Edmonton, AB, has been awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award from the College and Association of Registered Nurses of Alberta.

Jonathan Wilkinson, BA'88, of Vancouver, BC, has been appointed as CEO for BioteQ Environmental Technologies Inc.

Patricia Chuey, BSc'89, MSc'94, of Lantzville, BC, was elected chair, Board of Directors, Dietitians of Canada.

■ 1990s

Dean Owen, BComm'90, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed as chair, Board of Directors for Advocis.

Cory Furman, BA'91, LLB'94, of Regina, SK, has been appointed as Chair for the Regina & District Chamber of Commerce.

John Gormley, LLB'92, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed to the Queen's Counsel by the Government of Saskatchewan.

Dorenda Mizuno, BA'93, of Saskatoon, SK, has been awarded the *Women's Post* Top 20 Women to Watch in 2012.

Li Zong, PhD'93, of Saskatoon, SK, received the JW George Ivany Internationalization Award.

Bill Cooke, MSc'95, of Saskatoon, SK, retired from the position of director of education, Saskatchewan Rivers School Division, in July 2011 and has assumed the position of CEO of the Carlton Trail Regional College in August 2011.

Richard Peddle, BComm'95, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed as second vice president for the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Saskatchewan.

Michael Chubb, BA'96, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed as entrepreneur in residence at U of S.

Glen Gulutzan, BEd'96, of Frisco, TX, USA, has been appointed as head coach of the NHL's Dallas Stars.

Gene Makowsky, BEd'97, of Regina, SK, has been elected as a Member of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan (Regina Dewdney).

Monica Behl, BScMed'98, MD'98, of Regina, SK, has been appointed by the Government of Saskatchewan as a Member of the Health Services Review Committee.

Ronald Liam Mooney, LLB'98, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed as vice president, safety, health, environment, quality for Cameco Corporation.

Darryl Hickie, BA'99, of Prince Albert, SK, has been elected as Member of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan (Prince Albert Carlton).

Dwight Newman, LLB'99, received the U of S New Researcher Award.

■ 2000s

Pearl McNevin-Williams, BUSADM'00, of Saskatoon, SK, received the Saskatoon & Region Home Builders' Association's Women Building Bridges Award.

Marc Hoffort, BComm'01, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed as associate partner with Hergott Duval Stack LLP.

Lana Reilly, BSA'02, BComm'06, of Prince Albert, SK, has been appointed her CA designation by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Saskatchewan.

Jennifer Dyck, BSP'03, of Winnipeg, MB, was the recipient of the 2011 Commitment to Care and Service Awards (Charitable Work). She is currently a clinical pharmacist with the Manitoba Transplant Program at Health Sciences Centre in Winnipeg.

Andrea Lee, BA'03, BComm'06, of Regina, SK, completed the SLP program to achieve her CMA designation.

Sarah Leung, BComm'03, of Saskatoon, SK, received her CIP designation.

Kimberly Riel, BSA'03, of Saskatoon, SK, received her CMA designation.

Gordon Boyko, BComm'04, of Saskatoon, SK, received his CMA designation. He has also completed his PMP in 2011 and has been appointed as project cost control at Cameco Corporation.

Kirk Cherry, BSC'04, LLB'08, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed as general counsel and corporate affairs for Concorde Group Corp.

John Courtney, DLET'05, of Saskatoon, SK, received the American Political Science Association Mildred A Schwartz Lifetime Achievement Award.

Uchenna Osigwe, MA'05, of Quebec, QC, successfully completed his PhD program in philosophy at Laval University, March 2011.

Bjorn Sigurdson, BA'05, BSc'05 & '06, BComm'07, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed his CA designation by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Saskatchewan.

Christian Braid, BComm'06, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed as first vice president for the Greater Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce.

Christina Carrs, BComm'07, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed her CA designation by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Saskatchewan.

Lorette Vibar, BComm'07, of Saskatoon, SK, received her CMA designation.

Eniko Vajda, BComm'07, of Saskatoon, SK, received her CMA designation.

Dayna Johnson, BComm'08, of St. Denis, SK, received her CMA designation.

Jody Lepp, BComm'08, of Saskatoon, SK, received his CMA designation.

Daniel Burke, BComm'09, of Kinistino, SK, has been appointed his CA designation by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Saskatchewan.

Jennifer Campeau, MBA'09, of Saskatoon, SK, has been elected as Member of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan (Saskatoon Fairview).

Monique Haakensen, PHD'09, of Saskatoon, SK, has been named one of Canada's Future Entrepreneurial Leaders by *Profit* magazine.

Stephanie Nagle, BComm'09, MPacc'11, of Moosomin, SK, has been appointed her CA designation by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Saskatchewan.

Kayla Seipp, BComm'09, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed her CA designation by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Saskatchewan.

Whitney Thomson, BComm'09, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed her CA designation by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Saskatchewan.

Braden Turnquist, BComm'09, MPacc'11, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed his CA designation by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Saskatchewan.

Grant Weyland, BComm'09, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed his CA designation by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Saskatchewan.

■ 2010s

Anne Kelly, BA'10, of Edmonton, AB, received the Prairie Regional Selection Rhodes Scholarship.

Ewan Currie, BA'11, of Saskatoon, SK, received three Juno Nominations for 2012 as a member of The Sheepdogs.

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

BELL, Elizabeth, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Nov. 6, 2011.

WILLIAMSON, Robert (Bob), of Dundurn, SK d. Feb. 12, 2012.

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

CORRECTION: Fall 2011 Issue of *Green & White* In Memoriam read (1977) Peter Guzak, HOSADM'77, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Apr. 5, 2011, should have read d. Nov. 27, 2010.

(1941) TILLIE TAYLOR, BA'41, LLB'56, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Oct 23, 2011.

(1945) NORA KATHLEEN MUNRO, BHSC'45, of Qualicum Beach, BC, d. Feb. 27, 2011.

(1947) ROBERT NEWTON (BOB) HINITT, BA'47, MA'49, BEd'52, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Nov. 11, 2011.

(1949) STEPHEN BRUCE BLEAKLEY, BE'49, of Calgary, AB, d. Jul. 30, 2011.

(1950) NATHAN (HOWARD) ASCROFT, BE'50, of Lindsay, ON, d. Nov. 17, 2010.

(1951) WILLIAM HUGH GEORGE, BE'51, of Delta, BC, d. Nov. 2, 2011.

(1952) SERGEY FEDOROFF, BA'52, MA'55, DSc'84, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Mar. 19, 2011.

(1952) PETER KOROL, BA'52, of Victoria, BC, d. Dec. 1, 2011.

(1953) LLOYD INGRAM BARBER, BA'53, BComm'54, of Regina Beach, SK, d. Sep. 16, 2011.

(1953) ROBERT PRINGLE CHAPMAN, PhD'53, of Victoria, BC, d. Sep. 25, 2011.

(1955) GEORGE TERENCE FENNELL, AGRIC'55, of Thunder Bay, ON, d. Jan. 26, 2011.

(1959) TRUDY LOUISE CLAASSEN, NURS'59, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Nov. 15, 2011.

(1968) ERIC MICHAEL KING, BA'68, BEd'69, of Bath, ON, d. May 30, 2011.

(1970) JAMES BRYCE FOLEY, BA'70, BEd'72, of Lloydminster, AB, d. Aug. 29, 2011.

(1972) LAURENCE (LORNE) CHERNESKI, BEd'72, of Regina, SK, d. Nov. 23, 2011.

(1973) IDAMAY MARY STANDISH, BEd'73, of Saskatoon, SK, d. Feb. 12, 2011.

(1985) JOHN NICHOLAS LIPSCOMB, BSc'85, of Vancouver, BC, d. Jan. 15, 2012.

For a complete listing of In Memoriam, please visit usask.ca/greenandwhite

Senate Election 2012

May 7–June 29

■ Voting for U of S Senate Members

Voting for University of Saskatchewan Senate elections opens on May 7, 2012 and will remain open until 4:00 pm on June 29, 2012. All members of Convocation are eligible to vote for member at large candidates. For senate district elections, only alumni who reside in those districts are eligible to vote.

■ Candidates for Members at large

Drew Bertwistle
Kurt Breker
Judy Buzowetsky
Doreen Docken
Albert Faber

Stefania Fortugno
Bill Johnson
Sean Junor
Deborah Milalicz

Andrew McCreath
Karen Rooney
Lenore Swystun
Larry Wagner

■ District elections

■ District 1: Weyburn, Estevan, Carlyle areas

Theresa Girardin and David Hickie

■ District 10: Sandy Bay, Creighton areas

Janice Jonsson and Johnny Walker

Senators in districts 5, 6 and 13 were elected by acclamation. Districts 12 and 14 remain vacant. Biographical information the candidates submitted are available at the University Secretary website at www.usask.ca/university_secretary/senate/senate_elections.php

How to vote

1. Using your web browser, go to paws.usask.ca
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3. **Click on the "Vote" tab** and follow the instructions provided
You may vote for up to five candidates for members at large and one candidate for the Saskatchewan district elections (if you reside in that district).
4. Once you have **submitted your ballot** you will not be able to go back in to change your vote.

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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, University Advancement at (306) 966-5186 or 1-800-699-1907 or by e-mail at alumni.office@usask.ca.

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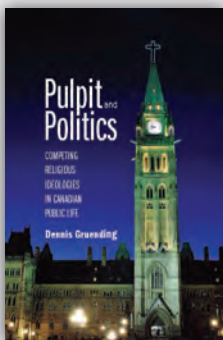
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Revelation Restored: The Apocalypse in Later Seventeenth-Century England

(The Boydell Press, 2011) by Warren Johnston (BA'89, MA'95) 

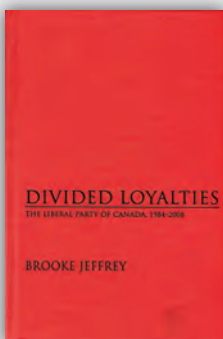
This study of apocalyptic thought demonstrates, among other things, that apocalyptic ideas were still present in the intellectual landscape and continued to hold the potential to animate opinions in mainstream political debate during the period.





Pulpit and Politics: Competing Religious Ideologies in Canadian Public Life

(Kingsley Publishing, 2011) by Dennis Gruending (BA'70, Arts'84) 

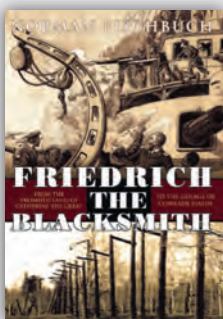
Gruending follows the competition for power and influence in Canadian public life between religious progressives and conservatives from Parliament Hill to the church basements, synagogues, temples, and universities of the nation and abroad.





Divided Loyalties: The Liberal Party of Canada 1984-2008

(University of Toronto Press, 2010) by Brooke Jeffrey (BA'69, Dip/Ed'70, Arts'73, MA,74)  

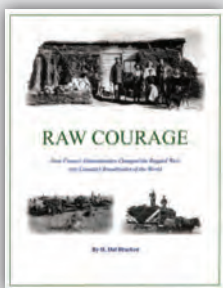
Drawing on her own experience as a party insider and dozens of interviews with senior Liberals, Jeffrey examines the decline and decreasing support of Canada's "natural governing party" over the past two decades.




Friedrich the Blacksmith

(Trafford Publishing, 2010) by Norman Robert Fischbuch (PhD'68)  

In this non-fiction historical novel, a small-town blacksmith is conscripted into the Russian navy in 1899. His bravery earns him the Cross of St. George, but the rise of bolshevism and communism shatter his wishes to return to his blacksmith shop.



Raw Courage: How Pioneer Homesteaders Changed the Rugged West Into Canada's Breadbasket of the World

(Kettle Valley Publishing Inc., 2011) by H. Dal Bracken (Dip/Ag'47) 

A history of the settlement of the western prairies—complete with historical photographs and personal memories—as a

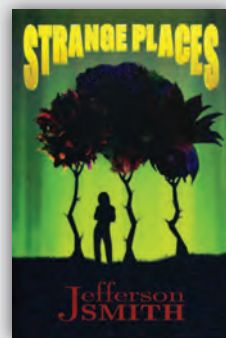
result of the Homestead Act of 1872, recognizes the endurance of the area's inhabitants from the earliest Asian and European migrants who came seeking a better life.




I Love Saskatchewan

(MacIntyre Purcell Publishing, 2012) by Kelly-Anne Riess (BA'02) 

Go on a whirlwind tour of the province—including Mac the Moose, Scotty the T. Rex, pond hockey, hoop dancers, the Mounties, crooked trees and more—with vibrant illustrations and gentle rhymes fit for children of all ages.




Strange Places

(Indie Ink Publishing, 2012) by Jefferson Smith (PhD'11) 



Tanya, a 13 year old orphan, gambles everything on a desperate journey of self-discovery that will lead her to the far corners of two strange and unfamiliar worlds: one filled with shopping malls and televisions, the other with gnomes, djin and magic.



Perspectives on Palliative Care for Children and Young People: A Global Discourse

(Radcliffe Publishers, 2010) by Susan Fowler-Kerry (BA'77, BSN'79, PhD'08) 

This is a frank presentation of the growing number of options and challenges parents and communities are now facing that aims to stimulate further discussion and, hopefully, increase access to comprehensive paediatric palliative care services—locally, nationally and internationally.

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