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ON THE COVER

With nearly 39,000 alumni living in Saskatoon, we had so many stories to tell for our cover story. Take this as a cross section of Saskatoon's community builders and read more about them on page 12.



There's something about the aroma of coffee that immediately makes a space inviting.

As I walked into Little Bird Patisserie & Cafe this past March to oversee the cover photo shoot for this issue, I felt an immediate blanket of warmth as the brewing coffee and baked goods hit my nose. It was all so calm, casual and comfortable.

One by one, our subjects started to enter the room. This group of seven people, some of whom have never met before, were instantly connected; shaking hands, nibbling on croissants, laughing.

All these people represent so many unique talents. They are instructors, business owners, restaurateurs, city councillors, board members, and community activists. Our writer for the cover story, a Saskatoon social media entrepreneur, also found time in her busy schedule to stop in and say hello. The fact I managed to get all of these remarkable people in the same room at the same time was not lost on me.

As our photographer started snapping away, the crew proved how quickly and easily community can come together; smiling and laughing with one another as if they had known each other for years.

Of course, the common link between all of them is the fact that they're U of S alumni. The comfortable nature of this photoshoot just proved to me that everyone who graduates from this university is immediately connected as a part of our alumni community. The common bond that ties them is this beautiful campus and its history.

To me, community has many facets. There can be a direct effort to build community or it can happen organically. It can be a premeditated group of people coming together for the greater good or it can be something that builds almost unassumingly. It's where we live and who we associate with. It provides a way to connect, to learn, to grow and to feel a part of something greater than ourselves.

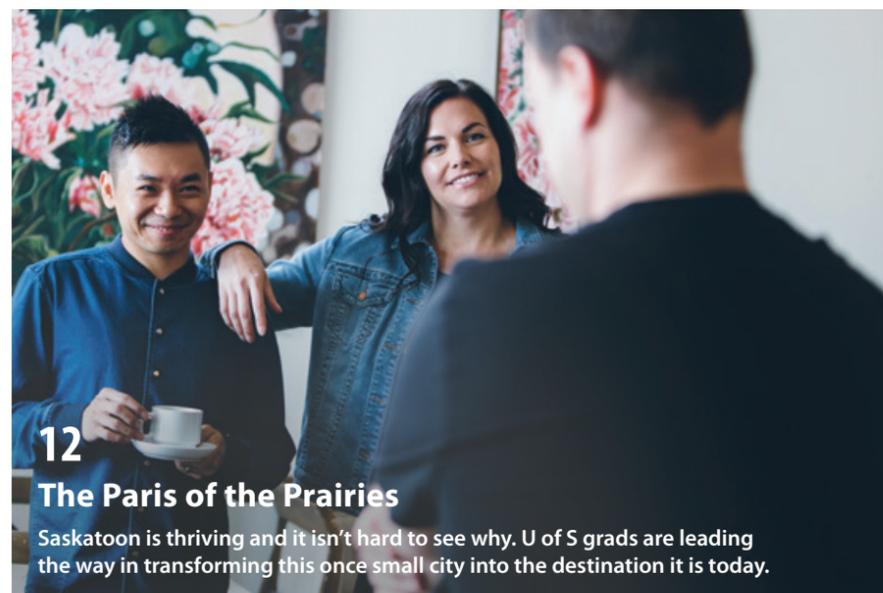
U of S alumni represent what it means to be community minded, whatever form community may take. In this issue we see alumni going to great lengths to better their communities. This happens by testing the boundaries of legislature, building channels for community involvement, breaking the barriers of geographical isolation and going the distance to serve across cultures.

As always, I'm honoured to tell your stories. You make me proud.

Leslie-Ann Schlosser
Editor

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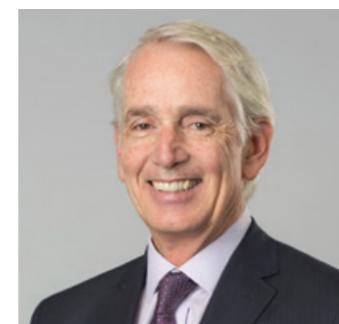
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When I moved to Saskatchewan over 30 years ago, one thing that stood out for me was the heightened sense of community that radiated from every part of this province.

The University of Saskatchewan is no stranger to the community spirit that this province embodies.

One could say that this institution was built with the intention of being a unifying link between learning and community. Our first president, Walter Murray, understood the importance a university has in serving its people. Saskatoon was chosen as the location for the U of S in 1909 with the purpose of having it "in close touch with the life of the province."

As such, the U of S became a place to gather, to grow, to learn and to enlighten the next generation of community builders.

Our partnership with the City of Saskatoon is just one example of how we serve our greater community. I feel strongly that universities deserve great cities and cities deserve great universities. The U of S will continue to focus on inspiring communities here at home and beyond the province. Now more than ever, we must be the university the world needs.

Of course, our alumni are a big part of this ambition. We see them constantly using their talents locally, provincially, nationally and even virtually. U of S alumni exemplify what it means to be community-minded individuals, building channels for community involvement and going to

great lengths to serve. That is the mindset our alumni take with them when they leave the U of S campus.

There is still work to do in building community. In particular, continuing to strengthen our relationships with and elevate the voices of Indigenous people and their communities is of utmost importance.

A major step towards building and strengthening our community, whether on one of our campuses or in the places our alumni call home, will come to light in the coming months as we finalize our next university plan. This plan, looking out to 2025, will set our direction and strategic priorities. It will signal to our community a shared purpose to become the university the world needs.

One important pillar of our plan will be to embrace manacihitowin, which means to "lead with respect," as we continue our work in Indigenization and reconciliation. We have made progress towards this goal; however, we know there is much more to be done and reconciliation can only occur if everyone participates.

I look forward to sharing our university plan with our alumni in the very near future. But until then, I encourage you to think about your community-building efforts and share that back with your university. ■

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REMEMBER WHEN



U of S students in 1978 with the Shinerama mascot.
 UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES AND SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Giving back

Volunteering and giving back to the community in a quiet, unassuming way has always been commonplace for U of S students. Shinerama is just one of the historic traditions at the U of S that focuses on raising awareness for those in need.

 **PATRICK HAYES (BA'80, MA'89)**

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School of Physical Therapy students raise money for Shinerama in 2015, continuing the long-standing U of S tradition.

For more than five decades, Shinerama has been a fixture of the University of Saskatchewan's welcome week. The shoe-shining fundraiser took root on campus with students of the School of Physical Therapy in 1965 but started four years earlier at the Waterloo Lutheran University (now Wilfred Laurier University) as part of first-year student's orientation activities.

In its first year, Shinerama raised about \$1,000. The following year it raised money for the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and it has remained associated with the charity to this day. The concept soon spread across the country to most Canadian universities and technical institutes.

Since its humble beginnings, Shinerama has grown into Canada's largest university and college student fundraiser, involving nearly 60 institutions with 25,000 students annually shining shoes, washing cars, polishing windows, co-ordinating raffles, organizing dances and hosting barbeques.

The 1974-75 student hand book and directory (yes, they listed student phone numbers with photos) described Shinerama as a grassroots fundraiser: "We hire no staff, pay for no publicity and supply only the basic shoe shine equipment so that a high percentage of the money goes directly into Cystic Fibrosis (CF) research. Shinerama is an organization of all students, not merely a privileged few. If not a great time, at least a good time is had by all who participate, including, usually, a few surprises afterwards. An office is maintained in the MUB until the end of September and after that information can be obtained from the Kiosk."

First described in 1938, a child diagnosed with CF in the 1960s was not expected to live long enough to attend kindergarten. The median age of survival for Canadians with CF is now among the

highest in the world at 53.3 years of age. Cystic Fibrosis Canada estimates that one in every 3,600 children born in Canada has CF. It is the most common fatal genetic disease affecting Canadian children and young adults. A cure is yet to be found.

The U of S has been involved in CF research for decades. For example, the Canadian Light Source has been used to image the normal lungs of pigs focusing on the liquid layer and how the liquid in the airway reacts when bacteria are introduced. Juan Lanowski, associate professor in the Department of Physiology, explained, "We discovered and showed for the first time ever that the normal airway response to inhalation of pathogens is producing liquid. This is a process that depends on CFTR (cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator) expression. So, if you don't have normal CFTR, it doesn't work. In CF pigs, this response is absent."

The image pictured on page two is from September 1978 and shows several students with the mascot during the kickoff to Shinerama in the bowl. The campaign was held in conjunction with the Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Arts and Science students. Shoe shiners were posted throughout Saskatoon, and would shine shoes for any donation. The downtown business community was prime target having the greatest concentration of polishable shoes.

To reflect the national nature of Shinerama, the university which raised the most money per participating freshman received a Shinerama challenge trophy, a bronzed baby foot mounted on a teakwood stand, first donated in 1966.

There was no evidence the foot has ever visited the U of S campus. ■

ON CAMPUS NEWS

Where's the beef?

A&W has made a substantial investment in the Canadian beef industry with a \$5-million donation toward the University of Saskatchewan's Livestock and Forage Centre of Excellence (LFCE).

The unique centre will foster innovative research, training, and outreach to meet the needs of both livestock producers and consumers in Canada, while also helping to sustainably produce food for a growing world population.

The donation will be used to fund the construction of the Livestock and Food Building at the LFCE site near Clavet, create a community outreach and engagement program, and establish a visiting fellowship in One Health research. The new building will be completed in the spring of 2018. ■



DAVID STOBBE

Better technology for better plants

Two University of Saskatchewan computer scientists are among the first grant recipients of Microsoft's AI for Earth program.

Valued at \$10,000 each, the grants enable the research teams to use new Microsoft technology to improve plant breeding by creating new ways to analyze plants and automatically identify traits related to plant growth, health, resilience, and yield. The investment will help researchers better analyze plant genomics associated with crop traits, such as flowering time yield, and resistance to stress from drought.

Ian Stavness, associate professor in the U of S Department of Computer Science, will use Microsoft Azure cloud computing resources to create new ways to analyze images and videos of plants and crops to automatically identify traits related to plant

growth, health, resilience and yield.

Using the Microsoft technology, computer science professor Tony Kusalik aims to uncover the relationship between plant genes and desirable traits.

"We hope the new Azure AI cloud computing platform will help us to enhance deep learning to recognize complex patterns in plant genes so that we can find desirable ones," said Kusalik. "Finding the links between plant genes and favourable crop traits will help breeders speed up their breeding programs." ■



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ROXANNE MCHATTIE

Donor-funded dentistry clinic open for business

The campus community has a new reason to smile, as Clinic 120—the College of Dentistry's new general practice residency clinic—is officially open.

Spanning three treatment rooms and loaded with some of the newest and most modern dental technology available, the clinic began taking patients in September.

The clinic—which is separate from the Dental Education Clinic where students practice under supervision—has provided a significant transformation for the residency program. While residents get plenty of experience in trauma and surgical procedures, this clinic allows them to also keep up-to-date with their general dentistry skills and provides them with an opportunity to become familiar with new technology before they enter private practice.

Construction and equipment was almost entirely funded by individuals in the dentistry profession, who were eager to see a state-of-the-art clinic added to the infrastructure of the college.

Dr. Steve Arcand, who is currently in the residency program, was one of the first dentists to practice in the new clinic.

"We get to work with some of the most modern technologies, equipment, and instruments, so without the donations coming from alumni, that wouldn't be possible," Arcand said. ■

U of S institutes, researchers awarded \$5.5 million in federal funds

In November, the University of Saskatchewan was awarded \$2.7 million in funding from Western Economic Diversification Canada for water security and food security research, and a similar amount from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) for 45 U of S faculty and students.

A \$1.37-million grant for the Global Institute for Water Security (GIWS) to establish the Smart Water Systems Laboratory (SWSL) and a \$1.35-million grant to the Global Institute for Food Security (GIFS) to create an Omics and Precision Agriculture Laboratory (OPAL) are part of what will be a \$15.5-million investment in these signature areas of U of S.

"With the impact of climate change becoming starkly clear, food security and water security have emerged as key imperatives. The crucial federal investment toward these new state-of-the-art facilities will support cutting-edge research that will build a sustainable water future for Canada and help feed a hungry world," said U of S vice-president research Karen Chad.

The 15 Insight and Insight Development Grants awarded by SSHRC cover the gamut of research, including the impact of socio-economic, geographical and cultural factors on household food insecurity of Syrian refugees in Canada; political involvement and activism of Indigenous women in Canada's West; and creating consumer-oriented value in genetically modified foods and exploring consumer attitudes and willingness to pay.

"The investment in social sciences and humanities research affirms the valuable contribution our researchers make in influencing public policies and helping Canadians to understand each other and our communities," Chad added. ■



BRIAN KACHUR

Highly educated pups

One of the cutest research projects on campus was featured in *Maclean's* magazine when it profiled research beagles at the Western College of Veterinary Medicine (WCVM) and the important role they play in pet nutrition.

WCVM professor Lynn Weber has been conducting research with the dogs since 2009. Initially, her team—which included graduate student Jennifer Adolphe (MSc'08, PhD'13), now an animal nutritionist working in Ontario—examined whether dried field peas were a healthier option in dog food than rice.

"I got to learn how to formulate pet food and the role that nutrition plays in dogs," Adolphe told *Maclean's*.

Weber's research group is currently working with a second team of beagles to further explore the health benefits of a grain-free diet by replacing traditional starches with pulse crops (such as lentils or fava beans). The third group of pups is expected to arrive this year. ■

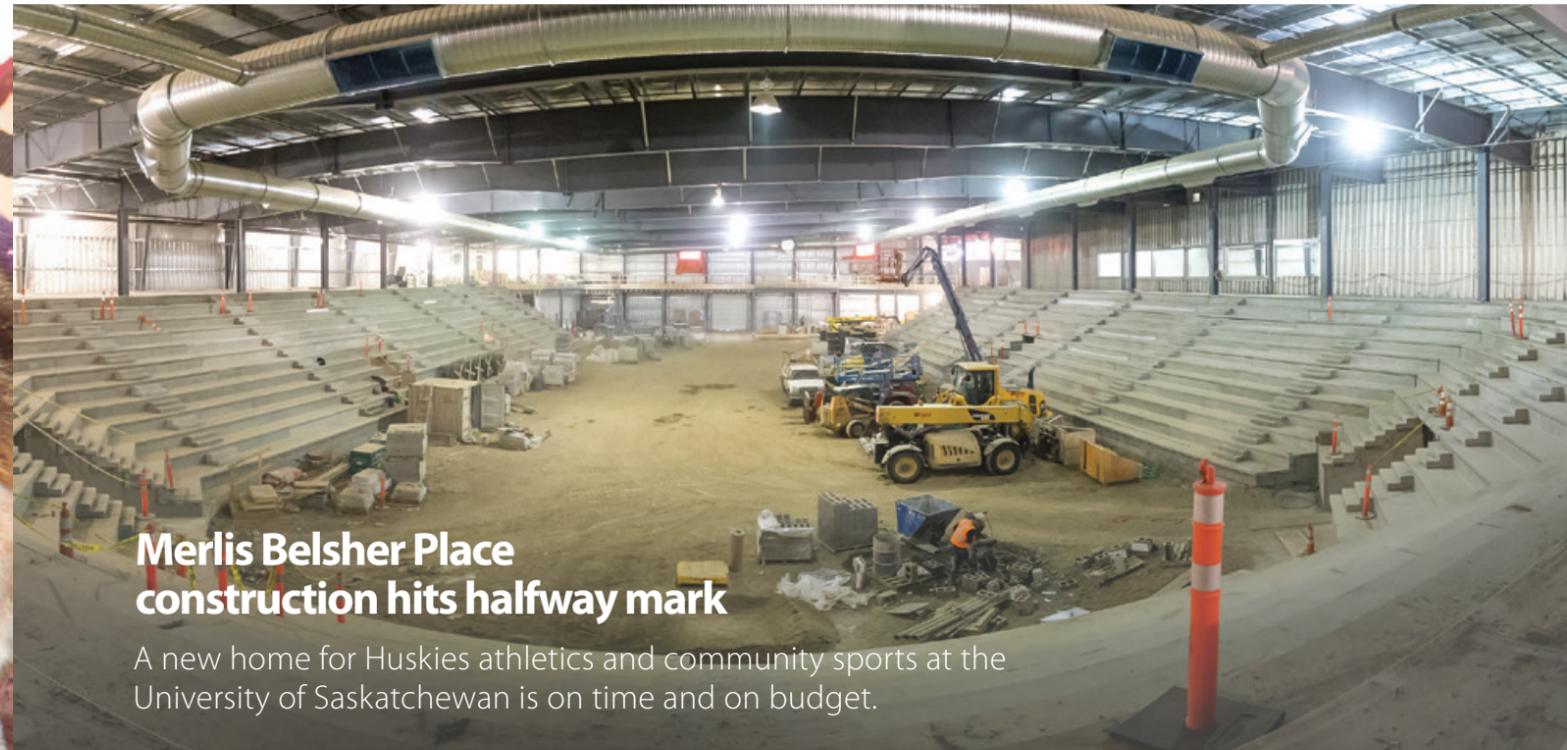
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Merlis Belsher Place construction hits halfway mark

A new home for Huskies athletics and community sports at the University of Saskatchewan is on time and on budget.

JOSH SCHAEFER

The multi-sport facility features two full-size ice surfaces and two full-size basketball courts, as well as dressing rooms for Huskie hockey, basketball and soccer teams, in addition to spaces earmarked for alumni, officials, physiotherapy services, Campus Recreation and a dozen dressing rooms for community groups and teams. The main arena will initially feature seating for 2,614, with 3,546 in total following the completion of Phase 2 of the project.

The project kicked off on Oct. 13, 2016, with an historic \$12.25-million contribution from Merlis Belsher, an accomplished local accountant, businessman and philanthropist who provided

the largest single donation from an alumnus in U of S history.

Fundraising through the Home Ice Campaign—which featured former Huskie and long-time Canadian Olympic hockey coach Dave King (BAPE'71, BEd'72) serving as honorary chairperson—wrapped up in the spring of 2017 after reaching its goal of \$29-million.

Meanwhile, long-time U of S supporters and alumni Ron (BE'62, DCL'13) and Jane (BEd'62) Graham, who have given close to \$20 million to the university, donated \$4 million to fund construction of the new basketball facilities at Merlis Belsher Place. ■

Taking care of business (accreditation)

The N. Murray Edwards School of Business has earned accreditation by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) International.

Founded in 1916, AACSB International is the longest-serving global accrediting body for business schools. Synonymous with the highest standards of quality, AACSB accreditation inspires new ways of thinking within business education globally and, as a result, places Edwards among the top five per cent of business schools worldwide. Today, 810 institutions across 53 countries and territories maintain AACSB accreditation in business.

From humble beginnings as the first accounting school in Canada, the Edwards

School of Business continuously strives to offer high-calibre business education that alumni and employers value around the world.

The distinction is the hallmark of excellence in business education and is also a provincial milestone, explained dean Keith Willoughby. "We are committed to continuing to develop business professionals to build nations through community engagement and providing an outstanding student experience." ■



JULIE SCHAPPERT

One Day for Students

Students, alumni, and the campus community came together on March 14 to answer the question “How do you give” and gave in support of students facing financial crisis, raising \$46,436 for the Nasser Family Emergency Student Trust.

Professor Emeritus Kay (PHD’65, DSC’16) and Dora (BEd’69) Nasser, U of S alumni and philanthropists, matched all donations to the Nasser Family Emergency Student Trust, and were so inspired that they also matched the additional \$5,345 donated to other U of S priorities on One Day for Students, bringing the total raised to \$103,695 from over 500 donors.

The tremendous support of the Nasser Family Emergency Student Trust means more students will have peace of mind, knowing there is a community willing to help them through an unexpected financial hardship so they can focus on their studies. To learn more about the day visit give.usask.ca/oneday.

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A matter of equity

Sociologist Elizabeth Quinlan has received a national award recognizing her work promoting equality and justice.



DAVID STOBBE

Quinlan (BSc’89, MSc’93, PhD’04), an associate professor in the Department of Sociology and an associate member of the Women’s and Gender Studies Program, accepted the Canadian Association of University Teachers (CAUT) Equity Award at a CAUT meeting in Ottawa last November. In her nomination, Quinlan was cited as a “fearless” researcher who combines academic scholarship with effective work for the betterment of society. She is active in promoting fair hiring practices and combating sexual violence.

Quinlan was a driving force behind the 2016 stage production *With Glowing Hearts: How Ordinary Women Worked Together to Change the World (and Did)*. Based on Quinlan’s research into the

historical role of women in Canada’s labour movement, the play received the Best of Fest Award at the PotashCorp Fringe Festival and brought awareness of a little-known chapter in history to a large audience.

Quinlan is a founding member of the Coalition Against Sexual Assault. Among other roles, she has served in the Women’s Reference Group of Saskatchewan’s Labour Force Development Board and been a board member of the Saskatoon Sexual Assault and Information Centre and the Saskatchewan chapter of the Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women.



U of S a key partner in supercluster

The University of Saskatchewan will be a pivotal partner in Canada’s agricultural supercluster—Protein Industries Canada—announced in February by Innovation, Science, and Economic Development minister Navdeep Bains.

The industry-led supercluster will create new products that add value to crops such as wheat, canola, and lentils and other pulses, generating over \$700 million in new commercial activity over five years and approximately 4,700 jobs over the next decade. The supercluster involves more than 120 corporate, industry, and post-secondary partners, with total cash, in-kind venture capital investment from partners of \$400 million.

Protein Industries Canada is a pan-western Canadian cluster, covering Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba. The consortium includes small to large-sized enterprises, academic institutions,

and other stakeholders involved in crop breeding, agricultural crop production, food and food ingredient processing, and their supporting services companies. Plant-based protein is a \$13-billion market of which Canada currently has a minimal share.

With world-leading expertise in plant genetics and breeding, crop production and processing, and molecular imaging and analysis, the U of S is set to help train hundreds of students—across multiple disciplines such as IT, business leadership and plant sciences—as innovative leaders in the plant-based agri-food sector.



BUILDING FUTURE HUSKIES

A U of S community collaboration with STC creates opportunities for young athletes

 HENRYTYE GLAZEBROOK

Not everyone is as lucky as Daniel Olver (BA'11).

Growing up, a combination of a healthy home life, a strong neighbourhood community, and access to great mentoring through sports, meant he never felt he wasn't good enough or watched an opportunity pass by without knowing he could jump at it.

"I went to Holy Cross (high school) and I would go to Huskie practices, because I performed at a certain level," said Olver, who now serves as head coach of the

University of Saskatchewan's wrestling team. "I definitely believe that helped me to know that I belonged at that level. I think that's a mistake that some high school kids make in their development, in that they don't think that they belong here. But that's very difficult to know, unless you're given the opportunity to be in this environment and to really test yourself and get some feedback."

Those experiences are precisely why Olver is so excited to be a part of the Youth Leadership Through Sports Program, which

"Showing these amazing kids what is possible through hard work, focus, and a commitment to being a leader in the classroom, on the playing surface, and in the community, is the ultimate goal. Once that seed is planted, I am a huge believer that success will follow." SHAWN BURT

kicked off through a partnership between the U of S College of Kinesiology, Huskie Athletics and Saskatoon Tribal Council (STC). The initiative brought together close to 50 Indigenous athletes aged 10-14 for its inaugural session at the university's Physical Activity Complex, to receive firsthand training and mentorship from some of the Huskies' top athletes and coaches and kinesiology staff.

Olver, who is Métis and took part in the program along with several of his Huskie wrestlers, said this kind of skills building and development can help young athletes discover just how attainable their goals are, if they put in the necessary work.

"It's one thing to dream about something, but when you begin to get more of a material grasp on it, it becomes more reachable as opposed to just an abstract idea," he said. "Being in the Huskie gym, where we hosted CanWest (championships) and we do our tournaments, and envisioning themselves in that environment—picturing those stands full and seeing themselves on the big screen—that's a huge step in anyone's development toward knowing this is possible, this is attainable, and all I need to do is follow some instructions and I too can be in this building."

Shawn Burt, chief athletics officer with Huskie Athletics, echoed Olver's sentiments, adding that he believes achievement in sports is a great step toward greater achievements in the classroom.

"Showing these amazing kids what is possible through hard work, focus and a commitment to being a leader in the classroom, on the playing surface, and in the community, is the ultimate goal," Burt said. "Once that seed is planted, I am a huge believer that success will follow."

The new program will continue over the course of the academic year, inviting more Indigenous youth to experience what it's like to train, compete and learn like a Huskie—and perhaps someday become one themselves.

"The long view for us as well is that these kids see themselves as U of S students some day; that they might take on that goal and strive to enrol here in the future," said Chad London, dean in the College of Kinesiology. "Graduating more Aboriginal students is one of our goals and this program can lead to those types of long-term successes." The aim, ultimately, is that the program will not only help Indigenous youth to excel, but also show them that the U of S is a community where they are warmly welcomed, whether they join through athletics, academics or other avenues.

"This opportunity will help develop the young people to feel comfortable with the university and know the university atmosphere by experiencing it at a very young age," said STC Chief Mark Arcand. "I have seen the lack of opportunities for young people in sports throughout our First Nations communities, by the lack of infrastructure and personal trainers. My passion and vision is to eventually see more First Nation children going to university and receiving scholarships based on their education and sports ability."

And in Olver's experience, planting a foot in the university's gymnasium at a young age is one of the best ways to start planning for a future in its classrooms.

"When you go through those years—especially when you're trying to figure out where you belong and fit in in high school—if they know in their heads that this environment is somewhere they enjoy and are accepted, that's where they're going to want to go," said Olver. ■


 ASHLYN GEORGE

Several times a month I can be found inside one of Saskatoon's coffee shops. I use the spaces to network with other freelancers and entrepreneurs who also call the city's cafés their unofficial workplace. In a career as a travel writer with a nomadic office that can sometimes feel isolating, it's important I actively seek out a community of support and encouragement.

Thankfully, that's easy to find in Saskatoon.

In recent years, Saskatoon's presence on the international stage has blossomed. This small yet mighty prairie city is demanding the world take a closer look at what it has to offer. No longer a small town (yet keeping the charm of one), the buzz started slowly with occasional mentions in articles written for WestJet travel magazine and *The Globe and Mail*.

With the recent opening of the Remail Modern art museum and a mention in *The New York Times*, Saskatoon has grown to become more than just a blip on an interactive airplane map; visitors are intentionally choosing to stopover and see what all the hype is about.

On this particular afternoon, I'm seated at a bistro table-for-two inside Little Bird Patisserie & Cafe. I'm catching up with a fellow university alumna whom I met during my first year in the College of Education. Kim Butcher (BA'04) also happens to be the co-owner of the Parisian-inspired cafe. She has perfected the delicate business of hand-piped macarons as well as a selection of other French pastries.

"Saskatoon has maintained the roots of a small community as it grows. The nature of Saskatchewan being settled by farming plays a lot into the way the city is now. Making your life in a place where there isn't a lot around translates into the ability to hold onto relationships. You recognize the struggles people are going through because they are your struggles too," said Butcher.

The opportunities in Saskatoon have allowed both Butcher and I to stretch the boundaries of our university degrees to pursue unexpected professions we are truly passionate about. Butcher muses it's partly because of Saskatoon's connectedness and friendly nature.

"As a young graduate, you can play on the connections you've built—it's a small enough city you can do that. It speaks to using your degree in Saskatoon in a way that has allowed creativity," said Butcher.

While her café focuses on teas and pastries, it also fosters a sense of community by creating a safe space for anyone wanting to enjoy the sweet treats. That inclusion is part of the reason why her and business partner, and current U of S masters student, Tasha Altman (BEd'09) selected Riversdale to open their café in December 2013. As one of the oldest neighbourhoods in the city, it is more than just a trendy location with an eccentric variety of shops.

"It's a people-oriented community—very tight knit, friendly and supportive. People say hello here. It's very eclectic and I hope it stays that way," said Butcher.

Indeed, there is a similar sense of kinship among the other entrepreneurs in the neighbourhood.

Around the corner from Little Bird on 20th street, owner of Odd Couple, Andy Yuen (BA'05, BE'05), agrees.

"There are new places but we all are doing totally different things," said Yuen.

Originally from Hong Kong, Yuen immigrated to the small town of Wynyard, Saskatchewan in 1996. Although Yuen and I never knew each other then, coincidentally, I grew up less than 20 minutes away on my family's grain farm near the village of Leslie. In Saskatoon, it's hardly surprising to discover these types of mutual connections.

After working as a civil and transportation planning engineer for nine years, Yuen decided to launch his Asian-inspired restaurant with his father in May 2014. Infrastructure in the neighbourhood was important to him and he chose an area of the city he considered pedestrian friendly.

"I value places that are walkable. Downtown Saskatoon, Broadway and Riversdale are where people want to hang out on the weekends or when they're not working," said Yuen.

Yuen also appreciated the affordability and potential of Riversdale. The location was ideal next to the Farmer's Market with access from River Landing. The unique space and growing demographic allowed

THE Paris OF THE PRAIRIES

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Travel blogger and Saskatoon native Ashlyn George (BA'09, BEd'10) takes us on a trip through the bustling city and shares the stories of a few of Saskatoon's movers and shakers.

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STUDIO D PHOTOGRAPHY

From left:

Michael Peterson, Shaina Lynden,
Andy Yuen, Alain Gaucher,
Mairin Loewen, DeeAnn Mercier
and Kim Butcher.



Andy Yuen mixes up one of his famous cocktails at Odd Couple.

Yuen to creatively develop a Chinese-Saskatchewan menu that went beyond the burger and fries he grew up eating with friends.

Yuen and his family aim to create stories with their dishes while supporting other local businesses. Located right across the street, they partnered with 9 Mile Legacy Brewing on the creation of an Asian-inspired golden ale beer with lemongrass, ginger and Szechuan pepper. They also carry Black Bridge Common (a beer that happens to be from one of my favourite Saskatchewan breweries in Swift Current).

The Odd Couple's recipe for connecting to customers through local products has brought more success than Yuen expected.

"Saskatoon people are amazing. They go above and beyond to help. You can always find someone you can trust to show up when you need them," said Yuen.

There's little doubt the city's nearly 39,000 U of S alumni are a big part of Saskatoon's development and sense of community. The culture, scope and diversity of the city has shifted and RYDE YXE co-owner Shaina Lynden (BScKin'05) wanted to be part of that social awareness and change.

Lynden isn't only an entrepreneur. She's a mother to five children. And since 2005, the

Yellow Quill First Nations member has been a full-time officer with the Saskatoon Police Service. Working closely with inner city schools, she saw need in the city and felt compelled to contribute further to making a difference.

But she didn't know how.

An emotional ride in a boutique spin studio in Calgary was the answer she was looking for. The experience led her and business partner Bradie Mustoe to launch their first spin studio on Broadway in February 2016. Their second studio opened January 2018 in the City Park neighbourhood.

Initially, Lynden looked at many locations in the city but believed the energy and positive feelings of their location on Broadway had the qualities she was searching for.

"We looked at so many different spots, even other spots on Broadway. We looked for eight months but it had to feel right and needed to feel magic," said Lynden.

Lynden wants the community atmosphere of her studios to be a hub that resonates with its cyclers by building her "Ryde Tribe" and connecting people together. This is evident walking past RYDE YXE on sunny summer weekends and

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DEEANN MERCIER (BA'07)

spotting spin bikes on the sidewalk with cyclers snapping selfies together on their way in for a workout.

Lynden's mission is twofold; she wants customers to feel better about themselves while also fundraising for different causes. In just two years since opening, RYDE YXE has donated more than \$40,000 to charities and non-profits. This has given Lynden the opportunity to go beyond cycling - she is able to speak her truth in a way that impacts the city.

"It's truly a place where people can feel at home and part of something bigger. Whether through little donations in every class or by physically signing each cheque we donate, they get to be part of that energy and social change—and it's a ripple effect," explained Lynden.

DeeAnn Mercier (BA'07), executive director of the Broadway Improvement District (BID) agrees that the Broadway area is focused on diversifying while supporting local businesses.

I first met Mercier over a game of crokicurl—a combination of crokinole and curling on an outdoor ice sheet—in the parking lot of the Broadway Roastery. It was a BID initiative funded by a grant from the City of Saskatoon encouraging outdoor activity during the relatively chilly winter months.

Before coming on with the BID in August 2016, Mercier spent several years as the communications director for the Lighthouse Supported Living, a non-profit organization providing emergency shelter and affordable housing to citizens in need.

Mercier has always been passionate about non-profits and the community working together because she has seen firsthand how the relationships benefit both parties. She noticed how Saskatoon had several opportunities to enter into the field of public relations and community building which enabled her to advance her career quickly.

"Broadway has a huge history and a good reputation. People are very supportive of local here and understand we need to help each other. If we don't do it, who will?" asked Mercier.

A perfect example of this inclusion can be seen during their annual street fair in September when the Broadway community

holds a citizenship ceremony. Those who live and work in the area are able to share their stories about moving to the city; a way of saying "welcome to Saskatoon, we're so glad to have you here."

Mercier echoes Butcher's sentiments that Saskatoon's agrarian-based past makes it so inclusive.

"We're a young, vibrant city. When you think you're the underdog, you're so much hungrier and work harder. We all come from backgrounds where we have to work hard to get to where we want to go," said Mercier. "For me, the University of Saskatchewan gave me the foundation and Saskatoon gave me the opportunity."

Mercier wears many hats to help Saskatoon continue to thrive; as a co-chair for National Philanthropy Day, a proud member on the board of Sum Theatre and a part of Nuit Blanche, a free, night-time festival celebrating arts and culture throughout Riversdale, Broadway and downtown. Mercier recognizes Saskatoon as a city where you can try new things.

Never afraid to create new things, Michael Peterson, (BFA'10, BSc'10), was the curator of Nuit Blanche. He saw unique potential to capitalize on Saskatoon's growing art scene and a way for the public to see the city differently and ask questions about the use of public spaces.

"Where we see growth is in reaching out beyond the arts community and into general public spaces," said Peterson.

As a Saskatoon local who returned to the city after completing his master of design at Emily Carr University in Vancouver, Peterson found the opportunities in Saskatoon were incredibly valuable.

"I wouldn't have known how to open a printmaking studio in Vancouver but [in Saskatoon] there was support and an opportunity to act on it," said Peterson.

For nearly a decade, Peterson has been building an inclusive arts community, starting with Ink Slab Printmakers in 2009. The project is a collective granting individuals access to printmaking facilities based on a monthly membership. He continued with the launch of void gallery in 2012. The gallery was originally created for emerging artists to have a space to stream their transition from university to the commercial gallery system.



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MAIRIN LOEWEN (MA'13)

“They get out of school and there is no obvious job available so they do art on the side. I've seen a number of good artists move out of art because they couldn't make that transition,” said Peterson.

Today, Peterson's initiatives have merged into Creative Commons YXE, a recognized artist centre with the Canada Council for the Arts. His concentration has shifted to community programs and allowing art to be a voice for anyone, including marginalized communities.

During workshops, it's not uncommon to see Saskatoon residents focused on blocks of linoleum, cutting, rolling and transferring ink designs to create printed linocuts.

“These kinds of opportunities allow for community discussion to come out of art. And it brings more people into the studio so it's more active,” said Peterson.

The appreciation for art in Saskatoon has been further fostered by the recent opening of the Remai Modern art museum. Its vision and achievement have captured the attention of the world.

The New York Times included it as a reason for selecting Saskatoon as number 18 on their list of top 52 places to go in 2018. Architecture magazines have applauded the design of the building which embraces the South Saskatchewan River and the city. Art magazines are impressed a small city in Western Canada can call home to such a significant gallery of the most comprehensive collection of Picasso linocuts in the world.

Taking advantage of the sponsorship of free entry by Rawlco Radio on Family Day in February, I was one of more than 4,000 people to brave the -30-degree weather in a line-up extending down the street.

“The museum was a bold idea beginning more than half a decade ago,” said Alain

Gaucher (BA'79, LLB'79), the chair of the Board of Directors for the museum since 2014 and lawyer at MLT Aikins LLP.

“The support from the community to raise \$20 million, as well as the significant support from Ellen Remai and numerous other large contributors, quickly showed there was a powerful interest to come up with a world-class gallery in Saskatoon,” said Gaucher.

In less than six months since opening in October 2017, the Remai Modern has sold more than 6,000 memberships. The variety of programming to reach the public includes state of the art classrooms for students and initiatives to help with adult art education.

Gaucher is no stranger to donating his time and effort to the community. Since 1991, he's been the chair or director of nearly half a dozen campaigns, including the St. Paul's Hospital Foundation and the Saskatoon Community Foundation. He is a well-recognized community leader who realizes how impactful the changes in Saskatoon have been.

“Our city is evolving and changing. It's a 'Saskatoon 2.0.' Increasing multiculturalism will enrich us culturally and help create the Saskatoon of the future,” said Gaucher. “[The fact] it's changing from what would be an agrarian and retirement town to a multi-cultural destination benefits the province and country.”

Saskatoon has seen rapid growth over the last few years and has weathered recent economic hardships more successfully than other Canadian cities. City councillor for Ward 7, Mairin Loewen (MA'13), believes Saskatoon can attribute its success to its diverse economy and the related research and development occurring at the University of Saskatchewan.

“Our growing diversity in the community is attracting more people. Developments like the new art gallery offer significant cultural and economic progress. There is lots of infrastructure expansion occurring in terms of new bridges and downtown redevelopment,” said Loewen.

Loewen's own influence in the city extends beyond her role as councillor. As a member and volunteer with nearly a dozen different boards, including the Saskatoon Symphony Orchestra and Heart of City Piano Program, Loewen is very involved in the local music community. A passionate musician, she co-founded Girls Rock Saskatoon, a non-profit dedicated to empowering youth through music.

“There are many reasons to be excited about quality of life in Saskatoon. The city thrives because of the people who live it every day,” said Loewen.

Loewen fully expects the city's momentum to continue. There is a genuine commitment and interest in making Saskatoon better socially while remaining culturally inclusive for all members of the community.

My work as a travel writer has taken me to all seven continents and nearly 60 countries to experience what hundreds of locations and cities have to offer. Yet I have continued to call Saskatoon home for more than a decade now. Although there are several reasons why I return after every trip abroad, simply put, the support and inspiration from the university's alumni and local residents is something I have not found anywhere else in the world.

It is because of this richly woven tapestry of innovators, builders, creators and entrepreneurs that Saskatoon has become the internationally recognized city it is today, truly making it the Paris of the Prairies. ■

Great universities deserve great cities and great cities deserve great universities.

On February 27, the longstanding relationship between the University of Saskatchewan and the City of Saskatoon officially became a partnership as U of S President Peter Stoicheff and Mayor Charlie Clark signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to explore collaborations that will address issues related to urban planning, land development, reconciliation, transit and research collaborations to name a few.

Although the relationship is now official, the U of S and the City of Saskatoon have been working together collaboratively for years. Here are just a few examples:

- Growth plan**
The U of S and the City of Saskatoon are working together on implementing of the city's Growth Plan initiatives for bus rapid transit, Preston growth corridor and 33rd Street bridge.
- Saskatoon symphony**
The U of S and the Saskatoon Symphony Orchestra signed an MOU to enhance and extend joint initiatives that benefit the cultural interests of the province of Saskatchewan and beyond.
- Merlis Belsher Place**
President Stoicheff has noted the importance of the many community relationships which have facilitated progress on the project. The City of Saskatoon is a major contributor to the new multi-sport ice facility.
- Research**
Many colleges have an ongoing partnership with Saskatoon, including the College of Agriculture and Bioresources, which leases land from the city for agriculture research.
- Internships**
Internships and co-op placements for students at the City of Saskatoon are ongoing throughout the year and have helped many students and recent grads get a start in their careers.
- Saskatoon Forestry Farm collaboration with WCVM**
Students in the Western College of Veterinary Medicine have access to animals they would rarely see or get to work with and the zoo gets vet services at a discounted price.
- Remai Modern partnership**
In what is believed to be the first agreement in Canada between a university and a city-owned art museum, President Stoicheff and Remai Modern Executive Director and CEO Gregory Burke signed an historic partnership agreement in Dec. 2017.
- Transportation**
The U of S is responsible for 40 per cent of the city's bus users.
- Alumni**
Nearly 39,000 U of S alumni call Saskatoon home, comprising about 15 per cent of the city's population.

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Providing education and access to services for remote communities is a daunting task. Not all communities have the same opportunities, but the University of Saskatchewan has faculty and alumni who work on a daily basis to reduce the inequity between the north and the south.

This covers everything from northern health care, access to veterinary services, access to law education and limited access to the provincial energy grid.

CHELSEA LASKOWSKI

The ideal response from students and communities from the north that engage with the university is “feeling empowered and feeling that the university has been responsive in meeting them where they’re at,” said Jacqueline Ottmann (MEd’02, PhD’05), vice-provost of Indigenous engagement at the U of S.

Work like this takes relationship building, innovation and big ideas. These are just a few of the alumni and faculty who have the passion and drive to take it on.

Ending energy dependence

School of Environment and Sustainability professor and Fulbright Scholar Greg Poelzer envisions a future where communities in northern Saskatchewan have access to sustainable energy to meet their need.

“What few people in Saskatchewan realize or even know is that Saskatchewan has two power grids—a northern grid and a southern grid that are not connected to one another,” said Poelzer. “Moreover the northern grid is built on the Precambrian shield and

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is not grounded, leading to frequent power outages.”

These frequent power outages are often caused by lightning or winter storms, which can last upwards of 24 hours. In a sustainable future, there would be local generation of energy sources and communities would be on micro-grids that protect them when the northern grid is down.

The vision Poelzer has is not just a pipe dream. He can easily recite a long list of reasons why projects like solar power and biomass—which turns wood waste into power and energy – are not only feasible, but desirable, for all sectors of society. Introducing these methods would help the province move towards its goal of increasing renewable energy use by 50 per cent by 2030; and the federal government would benefit from moving closer to its Paris Climate Agreement goals.

But the needs of northerners are first and foremost in Poelzer’s rationale for renewables, which he sees as a potential way to decrease the disparity in wealth between the provincial north and the rest of Canada.

“You’re sitting with this enormous opportunity for economic development for employment, wealth generation in northern communities,” he said.

Luckily, no one needs to reinvent the wheel in finding those energy solutions. Instead, they can look to other jurisdictions and adapt them to the unique needs of Saskatchewan’s North.

The Netherlands and northern Sweden are 15 to 20 years ahead of Canada in renewable energy deployment, Poelzer said, and he is particularly interested in using Alaska as a guide for northern Saskatchewan because they have similar climates and remote communities.

“Everyone thinks of two things about Alaska: Sarah Palin and oil. [They] don’t realize that [Alaska is] actually a world leader in micro-grid deployment and renewable energy deployment in severe weather conditions in off-grid communities that are run and led by Indigenous people,” Poelzer said.

Just last year, Poelzer and a colleague from the University of Alaska’s Centre of Energy and Power went to Deschambault Lake and Pelican Narrows to scope out the most feasible options for renewable energy deployment for Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation.

However, Poelzer knows that buy-in from the communities themselves is the most important element of any potential project. This is why he and others are creating a network of Alaskan, Norwegian, Swedish and Saskatchewan academics that will connect northern Canadian communities to sister communities in those other countries. He emphasizes the importance of partnerships with communities in Saskatchewan.

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Bringing law education north of 60

On an average day in a Nunavut courtroom, the public is unlikely to see a lawyer or judge who is originally from the territory. The lawyers and judges generally don’t speak the territory’s official language of Inuktitut, either. This is because most legal professionals currently working in Nunavut were educated somewhere else far away, and most have moved to the territory for work without having grown up in Nunavut.

“Right now the Nunavut bar is primarily made up of lawyers that are originally from the south,” said Stephen Mansell (JD’07).

It’s a concern for Mansell, who went to elementary and high school in Iqaluit. While there are a few Inuit lawyers and lawyers originally from Nunavut practicing in the region, Mansell said financial concerns and issues of being isolated from home and family have long been barriers for the Inuit and the people of Nunavut, called Nunavummiut.

“They have families and children here... so it’s very difficult to just

pick up and go to law school in the south. And it's important to study where your community is and where your support system is," he said.

Mansell is trying to change the makeup of the courtroom in Nunavut to better reflect its population. In 2017 he became the head of the made-in-Nunavut law program.

The Nunavut Law Program is years in the making, with funding from the Government of Nunavut making it possible. The Nunavut Arctic College and University of Saskatchewan's College of Law are partnering to teach 25 students of law in their own territory. The program started the first of its four years in the fall of 2017 and is set to send its graduates off once they complete the program in 2021.

A groundbreaking program like this was sure to face some growing pains. One of those is developing the first year of the program in a way that primes its students, many of them returning to school after years in high-level positions in other fields, for a return to academia. On top of focusing on academic writing and research skills to prepare for the next year of full-on law studies, there is a focus on "creating a curriculum that's relevant for Nunavut, trying to incorporate Inuit culture and traditional law into a law school curriculum," Mansell said.

The program is still working to make its students feel connected to the wider U of S community, but all the challenges are worthwhile when one considers how the program will change the legal landscape in Nunavut. Mansell said these lawyers can ease the intimidating nature of the law and court process for the Nunavummiut.

"There's a need for lawyers in the territory, particularly Inuit lawyers, because they can understand the community that their clients are coming from, they can communicate in the language of their clients and they know the community and the place," Mansell said.

Bringing vet care north

The Western College of Veterinary Medicine's (WCVM) twice-annual Lac La Ronge spay, neuter and deworming clinics take place in a hockey rink, and over the years, they have fittingly become a bit of a spectator sport for local residents. The most recent marathon weekend clinic saw a record 98 surgeries and 88 wellness exams performed by the veterinary college and its students.

"We'll have people who just like literally stop by and stand up in the bleachers because we're on the rink, the ice surface essentially, doing the spay and neuter [surgeries] so people just come and watch," said Dr. Karen Sheehan, one of the veterinarians who first piloted the clinic four years ago. She is also a clinical associate at the WCVM's Veterinary Medical Centre.

The year before the formal university partnership was formed with La Ronge in 2014, Sheehan was among a handful of veterinarians who held a Northern Animal Rescue-sponsored vaccination clinic. Her passion for animals, and her upbringing in rural Prince Edward Island where "I didn't come from much," drew her into the volunteer work. Many in the region had previously never learned about the treatments needed to keep pets healthy and to prevent overpopulation, and others simply can't afford trips to the nearest veterinary clinic 240 kilometres away.

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STEPHEN MANSELL (JD'07)



A resident from the La Ronge area and her young dog meet with an animal health volunteer during a remote clinic.

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DR. ANNETTE EPP (MD'88)

"I guess for me personally, I am an extremely empathetic person," she said.

The captive audience at the Jonas Roberts Memorial Community Centre each year, the vet student trips over to the community's schools to talk about animal welfare, and the community outreach work that Sheehan spends up to half of her day job setting up, are paying off.

"A couple of years ago I had a 14-year-old girl who lived with her grandparents and she had her grandparents (bring) her puppy to be spayed because the granddaughter felt that that was important. And those are the things that we can provide," she said.

Another example is that she sees dogs on leash in La Ronge more often now, rather than seeing them roaming free.

There is demand for more of these clinics in communities across the north, and Dr. Sheehan is pulled in all directions throughout the year with requests for veterinary help from people she's worked with in La Ronge, but she acknowledges there isn't enough manpower to hit them all. She sees the potential benefit of telemedicine, a tool delivered through mobile phones and a device of the future that the university is starting to explore with veterinary medicine.

Tackling women's health in remote communities

The origins of Dr. Annette Epp's (MD'88) four trips per year to host gynecological clinics in La Loche are easily traced back to a "serendipitous" suggestion made by her father Ernie Epp decades ago.

Ernie had retired from teaching only to get drawn back into the profession by the high demand for teachers in the north. So he packed up and moved to La Loche. In conversations with Annette about the needs of the community he started pushing her to come up.

"He kind of honestly put it out as, not a dare, but a challenge for me that I should take my skills and put them to use somewhere where it was really needed," Annette said.

And so, even though Annette was - and still is - terrified of flying, she did.

"I've never looked back ever since then," she said, after more than 15 years of hosting the clinics.

These days she sees about 20 to 25 consults on each trip, doing everything from pap smears for patients who are too uncomfortable

to be treated by local staff, to helping women access contraceptives, to checking in on any abnormalities that a woman has come in with. The services Epp offers save many patients a 600-kilometre trip to Saskatoon. For some who only speak Dene or would never be willing to travel to a doctor, Epp is their only shot to address their gynecological concerns.

If a procedure is needed, Epp works hard to establish a relationship with them in order to make them more comfortable and more likely to travel for that procedure.

"Saskatoon can be a scary place when it isn't a place that you're familiar with and hospitals are scary places no matter what but when I've met them in their home community I feel like they're a lot more comfortable coming to my world," she said.

She admits that the quick nature of her trips do not leave a lot of time to get to know everyone in La Loche, but said it has been a "privilege" to meet so many women who are among the kindest people she's ever met.

She encourages anyone coming into a new community for work to be just as eager to engage with the community as they are to work. What it really takes is commitment, she said.

"I think if you just plop people in and they know better, you know, that doesn't work. I think you have to take the time to hear the concerns, and hear the stories, and kind of sit back and reflect and listen to what the needs are and that takes time," she said.

Overall, she acknowledges that remote communities face unique challenges that are not easily solvable.

"I think that people who are in high resource places who have access to the knowledge base and the technologies and the infrastructure need to partner with leaders in the communities that don't have this and try and come up with solutions," she said.

Passion enriching university community

Whether alumni and faculty of the U of S are big picture thinkers who focus mainly on policy and community engagement first, or get their hands dirty helping communities first and think deeper about solutions to their issues over time, they are working hard to build relationships with northern communities in Saskatchewan - and Canada.

There is a passion and inherent love for their field that contributes to the "respect and reciprocity" Ottmann said is needed to build meaningful relationships with the north. ■



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Our faculty and students exemplify what it means to be community minded. Here are just a few examples of community on and off campus.

Legal eagles

Community Legal Assistance Services for Saskatoon Inner City (CLASSIC) provides free, professional and confidential legal services for those who otherwise cannot afford legal advice or representation. The student-run clinic has operated since 2007 and works with similar organizations through mutual referrals so that clients' legal and non-legal issues are appropriately addressed.

Science for everyone

The Science Ambassador program pairs senior undergraduate and graduate students with northern community schools for four-six week placements each spring. Science Ambassadors work with local educators to provide engaging, culturally-responsive, hands-on science education activities in the classrooms.

Community learning

The Aboriginal Student Achievement Program (ASAP) is a learning community in which students, guided by student peer mentors, explore the potential of their local and global communities. ASAP brings together Aboriginal first-year students who take a common set of courses, meet weekly with upper-year peer mentors and connect with Aboriginal role models.

Healthy communities

Student Wellness Initiative Towards Community Health (SWITCH) was created by students to enrich educational experiences and to provide much needed services for Saskatoon's core neighbourhoods. Teamed by volunteers, SWITCH augments the training of future professionals while improving the health, education, and skills of people from Saskatoon's core communities.

The greater good

Enactus is a global organization comprised of student, academic and entrepreneurial leaders who see business as a means to address social change. The U of S chapter impacts the community through educational economic opportunity programs ranging from financial literacy to food security.

Global gathering

The International Student and Study Abroad Centre (ISSAC) is a resource and campus partner for all students, staff and faculty. ISSAC is dedicated to fostering a welcoming, globally-aware and engaged campus community through programming, events and exchange opportunities.

Things that matter

DoSomething is a global non-profit organization linking change-minded individuals in over 130 countries with projects that transform their communities. Since 2013, the U of S branch has worked tirelessly on causes related to homelessness and poverty, education and literacy, mental health, human rights, and much more.

All smiles

At the College of Dentistry's Student Treatment Clinic, students work under the supervision of licensed dentist mentors to treat those with limited financial means. Saskatoon West Dental clinic is an off-campus clinic that provides services to underserved, inner-city neighbourhoods, and underprivileged citizens of Saskatoon and acts as a transitional clinic for senior dental students.



To learn more about each community initiative visit greenandwhite.usask.ca

HENRYTYE GLAZEBOOK

A call to mobilize

It all started with then-Minister of Justice Frank Quennell, his voice buzzing over CBC radio airwaves, declaring in 2004 that Saskatchewan had no plans to proactively pursue legalizing same-sex marriage.

The province would instead await the federal government's ruling on the matter, he reported, but would not contest anyone who might challenge the law.

And for Kelley Moore (MA'13) and Lenore Swystun (MA'96), that statement may as well have come with a court summons.

"Lenore and I, being who we are, took that as a bit of a rally call to mobilize, to help them to change the law by giving them a reason to," said Moore. "We had been together almost five years, and for us it was about equality and having the same rights as anyone else in a committed relationship."

The resulting denial of a marriage license was the first step toward a courtroom, where Moore and Swystun would join four other couples in a landmark case that won same-sex partners across Saskatchewan their legal right to wed in November of that year.

It was hardly the first time either of them had stepped into the spotlight, forthcoming as they'd been in their relationship throughout their personal lives and even into Swystun's time as Saskatoon's first openly gay city council member, but the sheer magnitude of the decision to take action wouldn't hit home until later.

"It was incredibly overwhelming to be in all these newspapers," Moore said. "It's one thing to be out within your own community and social circle, and then it's another to be out across the entire country. It was probably the first time when I realized the importance of what we had done."

The exposure proved good and bad, with friends and family coming forward in the days and months following. Sometimes they'd show support, sometimes they'd question their decisions. But the fallout was more than worth it to know Swystun and Moore had done something real to help others and to set the stage for those who would one day follow their tracks.

"We came on the shoulders and the backs of so many other couples before us," Swystun said. "You're always thankful that others had come before and opened a lot of gates and doors, and now we're taking the next gate and door and hopefully opening it, too."

Holding the gate

It's people like Joe Wickenhauser (BA '09) that the duo see when they glance backward at the generation sprinting behind them, gaining on their achievements with every passing day.

Wickenhauser, executive director of Moose Jaw Pride and the Saskatchewan Pride Network, is breaking new ground in the province's rural regions doing whatever he can to help the people in towns that have little or no LGBTQ supports in place.

"I drive by a lot of these small communities thinking, 'Oh, jeez, I wonder what it's like for that one gay person who lives in this

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U of S alumni
are planting
new flags
for LGBTQ
advocacy



Moore (left) and Swystun outside their home in Saskatoon.

community who isn't out or who doesn't know that there's maybe some others?" Wickenhauser said. "That must be so difficult."

The path to Wickenhauser's current role began with his York University master's project, which saw him exploring Moose Jaw, sitting down with older gay men and listening, intently, as they shared their lives with him. The goal was to better understand the city's LGBTQ history from the accounts of some of those who lived it firsthand.

The process inspired a fascination in Wickenhauser, who began enthusiastically spreading the word on what his research had unveiled.

Soon he was leading walking tours at the University of Saskatchewan and around Saskatoon, highlighting prominent spaces in LGBTQ history and hosting recreations of a more than 100-year-old-photo of two women kissing on campus, complete with costumes for participants. He even curated an exhibit on gender and sexual diversity at the Moose Jaw Museum and Art Gallery, the first of its kind in Saskatchewan.

"There's tons of LGBTQ history in this province and many people don't know about it," he said. "Often I think it's because those histories in the past weren't the sort of content that you'd find in a history book, but there is quite a bit and there's documentation and archival evidence."

Now Wickenhauser is trying to stitch a connective tissue between the pockets of LGBTQ groups peppered across the province, not just in medium-sized cities like Swift Current, Weyburn or Estevan but also smaller centres like Melville, Maple Creek or Beady's and Okemasis First Nation—the pass-through towns where there may not be the necessary population to justify permanent support.

"Some of these smaller communities really surprise you in their support," he said, recalling the first rainbow flag raising he helped coordinate in Weyburn, which had expected to pull in as few as 20 people and instead inspired more than 100 attendees to take a stand for themselves or in solidarity.

"The number of people who want to be a part of creating changes that are progressive, welcoming, forward-thinking—is neighbourly, really—can totally surprise you," said Wickenhauser.

It's these moments that encourage the hope that, with work and patience, these communities might one day be able to prop up educational programs, community assistance centres, and pride events with roots as deep as those found in more populous regions.

Building bridges

OUTSaskatoon is structured around community-building for LGBTQ people of all ages, providing peer-support and counselling, outreach, year-round events and the Pride Home, a long-term youth home for LGBTQ youth aged 16-21.

The organization has carved out a place for itself as a community pillar of the city, with people of all stripes walking through its doors seeking aid or simply offering up their own time to help others.

And for at least one staff member, the group's help (then known as the Avenue Community Centre) proved critical in his own experience coming out at the tender age of 13.

"I walked through those doors and I grabbed a pamphlet—and I still actually have one of those old pamphlets—and I took it to my family and said, 'Well, I'm gay. Here are some resources to help you, if you need help,'" said Jack Saddleback, who now works with the group as its culture and project co-ordinator.

"It's full circle now, how many years later. I'm working in the organization, helping to create this educational change, this systemic change, this societal change."

Saddleback has built his career around the unique, potent cocktail that is his perspective as a Cree, transgender, gay man, beginning as he settled into the University of Saskatchewan in 2011.

Noticing a gap between the campus LGBTQ community and the Indigenous Students Council, Saddleback rolled up his sleeves and got to work bridging the two, first as U of S Students' Union Pride Centre co-ordinator, then through planning gender-neutral

sweats, pipe ceremonies and other events and eventually as the third-consecutive First Nations—and first-ever openly gay—USSU president.

The greatest accomplishment in Saddleback's mind, however, came when he helped successfully lobby to have the university's discrimination and harassment policy amended to include gender identity, gender expression and two-spirit identity. It's an achievement he believes solidified the campus as an inclusive, forward-thinking institution.

"I've had many conversations with young people who are considering the U of S as a place to study, but they reach out to me wondering if it is a safe place as well," Saddleback said. "To have two-spirit rights included in the discrimination policy was huge. Going forward, I don't have to worry that those rights will be infringed upon. We're leaders when it comes to these initiatives around the world."

Leading from the sidelines

Katie Miyazaki (MA'13) is just as eager to see her alma mater forge new paths for LGBTQ inclusion, education and awareness, but she's more comfortable pursuing these goals on the basketball court than she is through policy or boardrooms.

Long before she had even begun thinking about dating, Miyazaki spent the majority of her youth chasing footballs or lacing hockey skates. Even then, she couldn't fathom the way some people looked at her, other players, and even coaches simply because they were women in male-dominated arenas.

"Everyone just assumes that they know something about you just because you play certain sports," she said. "I remember when I was playing hockey, I had two female coaches who were partners and we had some parents who would make homophobic comments about them. I was about 12, and I couldn't believe what I was hearing."

Today Miyazaki is off the court and on the sidelines, having successfully transitioned from playing Huskies basketball into

coaching high-performance wheelchair basketball, and is a staunch supporter of making sports inclusive to all. She was a vocal advocate of the U of S when it hosted the You Can Play Project, an organization aimed at challenging the cultural norms associated in sports by focusing on athletes' skill first and foremost.

"Sports should always be a safe space, and as a former member of the Huskie athletics you get to play a big role in the community and you should be using that for good," she said.

A perfect, beautiful day

After their victory in court, Moore and Swystun waited two years as their lives returned to normalcy before tying the knot. They invited their closest friends and family members to a potluck in their backyard, hoping that a low-pressure affair would keep anyone from losing their invitation over politics.

"It was kind of funny because our one friend brought roses, my sister had a feeling something was up and she brought a gift, another friend brought a fruit cake and then we had a friend who was a United minister," Moore said. "Between all of that we had the making of a wedding."

"It was a perfect, beautiful day."

More than a decade later, both women see clearly that their win in court was only one step in the larger fight for equality. They see it when marginalized people of all kinds come to them for help finding work. They see it when clients Google their names and a look of shock spreads across their faces. They see it when they still have to plan trips abroad around which countries won't turn them away at the border due to their sexual preferences.

But progress—large or small—is still progress, and they both know the best way to prevent slipping backward is to keep pushing forward.

"The work never stops," Swystun said. "People think that once you get your driver's license or your marriage license that they're there, but these are privileges. You have to continue to work on them to enshrine them as a privilege and as a right." ■

REMEMBERING NEIL RICHARDS

Neil Richards, community activist, U of S librarian, and donor, made it his life's work to preserve, gather and document the heritage of LGBTQ communities.

Between 1985 – 2015, Richards entrusted his enormous collection of LGBTQ archives to the University of Saskatchewan library. It was one of the earliest and largest collections of LGBTQ interest to be acquired by a Canadian public archive.

Throughout his life, Richards was involved with many provincial and national LGBTQ organizations. In April 2018, Richards received a Saskatchewan Order of Merit posthumously for his work as an LGBTQ archivist and activist.



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Children born today will never know the struggle of hearing that classic dial tone and waiting 10 minutes to (finally) connect to the Internet. Today, it's readily available and virtually on every computer, screen, tablet and phone around the world.

In a world where the influence of the Internet is constant, an online community is forming.

Social media and its impact on the next generation may be a growing concern for many, but it has also shown it can build businesses, friendships, talents and love.

KEEPING SOCIAL



Low (left) and Forbes started their company, Blue Moose Media, in 2016.

KATHY FITZPATRICK

Reality TV star and entrepreneur Ricky Forbes (BComm'10) became a social media influencer "before we even knew what that was."

He owes it all to storm chasing, a career he kind of fell into.

Pursuing his taste for travel and adventure, he wound up crossing paths with storm chaser Greg Johnson. Johnson was building a name intercepting and documenting extreme weather events—prairie lightning storms, tornadoes, hurricanes and blizzards.

In the spring of 2012, Forbes saw his first tornado.

"I was hooked. It's still my favourite thing to do," said Forbes.

But Forbes and the team were barely breaking even selling video footage. So they hopped on social media to market themselves as storm chasers and public speakers.

"You build a big enough audience, you get enough eyeballs on you, it just helps increase your value," Forbes said.

They chose Twitter, then Facebook and finally Instagram as the best medium to connect with potential fans.

"For what we were after with our imagery, we needed virality. We needed something that would move fast and Twitter offers retweets, Facebook allows you to share it," he explained.

The team's big TV break came shortly after May 31, 2013 in Oklahoma. The El Reno tornado is the largest tornado in recorded history—over four kilometres wide—and Johnson, Forbes and their teammate Chris Chittick were right on the edge of it. The whole world got to see and experience what they did, from the comfort of their digital devices.

Soon after, they got a phone call from TV producers in Toronto wanting to make a show about storm chasing. They "loved our content, they loved our social media channels, and of course our following helped leverage that deal as well," Forbes said.

More work came Forbes' way. A guest appearance on the CMT show *Ice Racer*

Showdown, racing rally cars on ice in Alberta, hosting the online show *Canada's Greatest Explorer*, and MuchMusic's *Far & Wide*.

Returning to Saskatoon after his projects wrapped up, Forbes reconnected with his school pal and fellow adventurer Travis Low (BComm'10). While Forbes' forte was social media and reality TV, Low had spent four years as executive director of Parkinson Society Saskatchewan. Low has also used social media to promote his fundraiser Lows in Motion, now entering its 10th year. Low's father has Parkinson's, and running this event was a way for Low to give back. It's Canada's most attended Parkinson fundraiser, and has brought in more than \$550,000 so far.

Paddleboarding on the river one day, Forbes and Low brainstormed business ideas.

The result was a digital marketing company, Blue Moose Media, launched in November 2016. Its mainstay is two-fold. One is account management for clients, handling all aspects of social media marketing for them. The other is training other businesses in social media marketing tools and strategies so they can be successful online.

"Social media is by far the most cost-effective and measurable advertising tool out there," Forbes said, adding this proviso: it takes time to make it work.

Asked to name the most important things about effective use, Forbes mentions three: posting great content that is engaging, having a clear and well thought out content strategy, and something he calls community management.

"No other advertising medium allows two-way conversation with consumers," he explained. Imagine drawing in 50 or 100 comments on your site: now you have a community, "you become weaved into their lives."

But it's important to answer those comments, reviews and messages. As is offering "a great brand story" that includes not only your product or service, but other content pillars that add value—things your company is doing in the community, the people who work for you and expertise in your industry. A company that sells barbecues, for example, might post the top five recipes.

"You're not trying to sell me anything, you're just being a friend," Forbes explained.

Forbes' advice to anyone launching a career or business: emulate the successful social media marketers. Look at how often they post, what they post about, which posts get the most engagement and why. (Is it the way it's worded? Is the person's photo a close-up or shot from 20 feet away?)

Direct connection, musician to audience

Aspiring entertainers would do well to emulate Nathan Thoen's (BComm'15) social media path.

Lead singer in the Saskatoon band Bombargo, Thoen remembers the "surreal moment" when the group returned from a January song-writing trip to Bali. Their song *Mr. No Good* made Taylor Swift's list of favourites she posted on Spotify, the online music service.

"Some of the biggest artists in the world are on this list and then Bombargo's on it. And we were like 'what the heck?'" said Thoen.

Yep, there they were, 37th on a list of 43 that includes the likes of Ed Sheeren, Kendrick Lamar, Camila Cabello and the Canadian pop punk band Marianas Trench.

Thoen is unsure how Bombargo made the list, but he thinks it's probably because of the song's spike in popularity on Spotify—with uploads in such far flung places as Australia, New Zealand and Sweden.

The attention has generated phone calls and emails from people in the music industry, and now Bombargo is trying to capitalize on the attention, creating new videos and recording the music they wrote in Bali.

Not bad for a song written in 15 minutes and recorded the following day. The day after that, they shot the music video at the club Village Guitar & Amp, just down the street from Thoen's Riversdale-area home. One day later Thoen did the editing and released the song on Spotify and YouTube. In all, a four-day turnaround, "which is kind of unheard of to be able to move that quickly," Thoen said.

Before the digital revolution, a band couldn't hope to get radio airplay without first signing with a record label, which put out a recording and covered the huge cost of churning out a music video. Then the band had to hope a producer liked the video enough to play it. Otherwise, it would land on a pile of old dusty tapes.

"You're not trying to sell me anything, you're just being a friend."

RICKY FORBES (BCOMM'10)

"Now, your iPhone can shoot an amazing music video," Thoen noted, and outlets such as Spotify "can get you out there faster than the radio can."

As such, this digital revolution is forcing musicians to be their own marketers. With CD sales taking a dive, record labels are no longer willing to take risks on promising but unproven performers, Thoen observed.

The shift from labels to social platforms may limit record producers nurturing band talent and taking them to the next level. But with no producers around to squelch that talent in the name of massive popularity and sales, musicians can follow their own creative path, finding a niche audience in the virtual world—if they can be heard above the explosion of competition out there.

How does Thoen cut through that competition? By playing live as much as possible, and making the show as lively as possible—"climbing the railings at the bar"—whatever it takes to make the audience come back for the next show, just because they want to see what happens next.

Single no more

Social media can definitely help you sell products or a piece of music but when it comes to matters of the heart, people of all ages are also benefiting from online communities said Sarah Knudson, associate professor and department head of sociology at St. Thomas More College.

But the usage patterns in younger and older generations are not necessarily what we might expect, she found.

Citing surveys by the Pew Research Center in the U.S., Knudson says 30 to 40 per cent of adults are looking for love online.

People in their mid-20s and younger feel no stigma with Internet dating but they generally don't approach it with "serious intent," Knudson said. They may post their profile on apps like Tinder or Grinder, but for them it's a way to pass some "mindless time," checking to see who else is out there looking. They believe they're most likely to find a long-term partner in-person in class, at work, out on the town.

But once people reach their late-20s the romance market begins to thin, Knudson explained.

And so for people this age and older, the Internet becomes the method of choice to find a serious partner and they approach it with a greater sense of mission. Sometimes.

It's actually a complicated scene,

according to Knudson, bringing mixed results.

Online dating leads to marriage only about five per cent of the time, she said, although there may be a hidden number of good long-term relationships such as couples who move in together.

That compares with a success rate of 30 to 90 per cent claimed by professional matchmakers, although to Knudson's knowledge no one has tried to verify those figures. And she is unaware of any client surveys looking at such things as how long it took to find someone, and how many people they met in the process.

But getting your heart broken transcends beyond the limits of finding someone at the bar versus online; there's still a world of disappointment for online daters. People—including married folks—looking for casual hook-ups. People who misrepresent themselves, perhaps posting a younger photo of themselves. Discrimination on the basis of age or ethnicity. And there are safety concerns.

On the one hand, an online search can be a time-saver in an age when everyone is so busy. But it can feel like a time-sucker, wading through hundreds or even thousands of profiles.

And yet, for older people Internet dating still "expands the universe of possibilities," Knudson said, especially in small towns and rural areas. Another positive: niche sites have sprung up, serving such diverse groups as people with disabilities, particular faith communities, or certain age groups.

"It's a way of realizing that there might be other singles seriously hunting singles out there not too far from them whereas 30, 40 years ago you'd just say, 'There's nobody around, there are no prospects.'"

From dating to data mining

Computer science professor Julita Vassileva has spent the past couple of decades peering at the Internet from all angles: working on systems and infrastructures, studying the ethics of digital technology, and encouraging participation in online communities.

As she sees it, virtual connectedness has broadened community but perhaps also made it shallower.

Everything on the Internet happens at lightning speed and Vassileva has witnessed how the interaction between users and their

platforms continues to evolve. Vassileva has seen some infrastructures appear then fade away (such as online discussion forums)—to be replaced by such dominant players as Facebook.

“Defining what kind of functions the site has, what people are able to do with it, to a big extent defines whether people will storm to use it, or they will just hang on and start checking it less and less frequently and then finally fade off,” she explained.

She agrees that how people use Facebook is as individual as the people themselves. She uses her account to share interesting articles on the future of technology with her colleagues near and far, and to keep in touch with friends in her native Bulgaria. After 20 years of living in Saskatoon, when she goes home to visit, “I don’t feel like a stranger. I jump right in to the middle of the action. I’m current to my friends’ lives.”

And yet, what some Facebook users may not know is that each of our friends may be seeing quite a different portrait of us through the social media platform.

It’s both the upside and the downside of the site’s capacity to personalize content, Vassileva explained. Facebook filters away the things each user finds uninteresting. Your one friend’s continual posting of cat videos might not be even in your news feed because you have never liked any of them. Facebook’s algorithms learn from your behaviour and reorders the stream of events on your feed.

“If you didn’t engage with her posts for some time you stop seeing them,” Vassileva explained. “That’s what Facebook does.”

So, if you and someone else have the same friend, “you and this other person will see completely different things in their stream, because it’s based on what you like, on what you read, what you forward.”

It saves you time, but also takes away your ability to do your own filtering.

Nearly eight years ago, one of Vassileva’s students designed an application that allowed users to see their Facebook streams unfiltered. “And people were amazed to see how much they don’t see in their normal stream because it’s hidden away from (them on) Facebook,” she recalled.

It’s how Facebook can lead to radicalization, Vassileva explained.

“If you hear only confirmation of your views, you’re confident that your views are correct. You believe the whole world agrees with you, but it’s not the case.”

Lately there have been reports of the link between social media and depression. Vassileva believes an unrealistic impression that other people’s lives are so much better than one’s own is only part of the explanation.

“(Social media) is still a surrogate, it’s not a real interaction. A real interaction has a lot of unselected noise, and this noise is healthy,” she explained.

Much has been made of Internet “trolls,” the people who make hateful comments under the cover of anonymity. But Vassileva sees another side to anonymity: the ability to express minority views without fear of backlash or reprisal. Some governments aim to outlaw anonymity because they want to stifle dissent, she notes.

Similarly, the participative web’s persuasiveness and addictiveness can be used for ill or for good. On the positive side, the reward features of games (such as progress bars or levels) can be used to encourage healthier habits. So can competitive features such as leader boards.

Where Vassileva sees enormous danger is in data collection (so necessary for personalizing social media streams), shifting the balance of power hugely in the favour of the companies that amass it.

Now, Vassileva and one of her students are developing a platform where users can decide with whom they want to share their data. Using blockchain technology, they can say what data will be stored, who can access it, for what purpose, and how long it can be kept. Users can then make money from their own data, charging for the use of it, with payment in cryptocurrency.

The project is expected to be completed in two years’ time. The challenge then is in persuading digital powerhouses such as Google and Facebook to adopt the platform. Perhaps it can be promoted as a good business practice, taken on by corporations that want to be seen as ethical, Vassileva says.

Although examples abound of digital technologies being put to malevolent uses, “they have always been developed with good intentions, to improve things,” she stressed.

It will be an ongoing effort to counteract corrupt uses, Vassileva acknowledges, all the more difficult in a world where the speed of innovation is “neck-breaking.” ■

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DEVIN HEROUX VIA TWITTER

Devin Heroux (second from right) and other members of the media at the 2018 Winter Olympics.

Long days, long nights, deadlines, events, interviews. For some it sounds overwhelming, but for Devin Heroux (BA'09), he found the electricity at the 2018 Winter Olympics in South Korea exhilarating. As a go-to reporter for CBC, Heroux spent his days running from venue to venue, bringing Canadians the stories of our Olympic victories and defeats.

Heroux was able to squeeze in a quick interview with the *Green & White* in-between covering the Olympics and the Paralympic games.



G&W: What did it mean to you to be able to cover the Olympic Games?

DH: Reporting at the Olympics has always been the goal and what an honour it has been to have covered these PyeongChang Games. To see the athletes realize their dreams in moments of athletic greatness is something I'll never forget. I had watched these moments on TV over the years—there's nothing quite like being there and talking to them moments after victory and defeat.

G&W: What was the atmosphere like in the Olympic village? In Canada House?

DH: In a lot of ways the atmosphere in the Olympic village was subdued and underwhelming. There was never really a palpable pride or buzz within the outdoor Olympic venues as I made my way from place to place. However, inside the venues there were magical moments. I'll never forget being inside the big ice arena for short track speed skating. This is an event the Koreans excel in and the place was packed. On this night, a Korean won gold and set an Olympic record while doing it. The roar was deafening, the pride gushing from the crowd.

Inside Canada House, it was so quintessentially Canadian. Maple Leafs everywhere. Red and white everywhere. Poutine and beer at the ready, of course. More than anything though is that Canada House felt kind, welcoming and comfortable. It also served as Pride House—a place for LGBTQ athletes and fans to also feel welcomed. There was a back patio with reclined chairs, fire pits and blankets. For a moment, as I sat there one night, I felt as though I was sitting at my cabin in northern Saskatchewan with my family and friends. I guess that's what Canada House is supposed to be about after all.

G&W: Live tweeting, Facebook posts, story updates—you did it all! How was it working on such tight timelines and with the time change?

DH: In a word, crazy. I've never worked harder in my life. I've never been more exhausted in my life. But I've never been so motivated and energized by the magic of it all. I'd wake up around 6 am every day to get a head start on coverage. Those first couple of hours were normally spent tweeting out information about what was to come in the day. So much of the Olympic experience is knowing where to be at those important moments—if you're not on top of it, it can pass by you in a hurry. I had been preparing for this Olympic beat for a year which was hugely beneficial because the reality of the Olympics is that you only get a short time with the athletes after they compete. If you do pre-interviews though you already have the background knowledge to deliver compelling pieces. By the end of the day (which was usually anywhere from 11 pm to 1 am) people in Canada would start waking up and so it made it difficult to go to sleep with my phone getting notification after notification. Before I knew it, my alarm was sounding again and it was a new day of storytelling.

G&W: We have to ask—what was the favourite event you covered?

DH: There were so many great moments I was able to witness during the Olympics. Curling is my first love though and so what transpired in that curling rink is something I'll never forget. The Korean women's curling team became the face of the Olympics. The fans went crazy for them. The team placed first overall in the round robin and made it to the gold medal game. For a lot of the fans it was their first time watching curling—they really didn't know what was going on but they cheered wildly. The best part is that at the finish of each end they really didn't know if it was a good end or bad end until the score went up—if it went on Korea's side they went even crazier.

The "Garlic Girls" as they became known as because of the region they grew up in, basked in it all. They had curling groupies making signs for them. They had groups of fans wanting autographs and selfies after each game. They won the country's first medal in curling—a silver medal after losing in the gold medal game to Sweden. After that game their disappointment was so evident. They cried. But then in their

moment of despair after the game, they stood together, lifted their heads and bowed to each section of the crowd. They smiled. It was a beautiful Olympic moment.

Heroux continued reporting for CBC in PheongChang well into March for the Paralympics. By the end, he was in South Korea for over two months. Always an optimist, Heroux says he missed home and family, but it was the spirit of competition that kept him focused and able to continue telling stories.

DH: When the competition starts I'm reminded of how fortunate I am to be here telling these stories. And now the Paralympics, where courage, resilience and strength is abundantly evident at every turn. I've always felt incredibly blessed for this work because it provides me perspective I may not otherwise ever understand or experience. ■

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DEVIN HEROUX (BA'09)

A CALL TO CONNECT

A young man's thirst for adventure brought Don Poon from Hong Kong to Canada in the 1970s. A welcoming community of friends and colleagues soon convinced him to call Saskatoon home.



"I loved the people, I found them friendly and genuine. They took the time to learn about my culture and treated me well. I was very moved by that, so I decided to stay and take my first year at the University of Saskatchewan." DON POON (BE'79)

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We define community in so many ways, from a broad concept of people living together in a society, to groups of individuals with common experiences and interests to connect them over time and distance. Whatever your definition, what truly makes a community is a desire to be part of, and contribute to something bigger than ourselves. Based on this, Don Poon (BE'79) has made community a central focus of his personal and professional life.

Exploring the world

Born and raised in Hong Kong, Poon is the oldest of five children. His father was a successful contractor who encouraged his son to pursue an engineering degree so he could join the family business.

"There were two universities in Hong Kong, but like many young people in the 1970s, I wanted a foreign experience, I wanted to explore the world," Poon said.

He set his sights on attending the University of Texas in Austin. His parents worried about him being so far from home, with neither friends nor family for support. Since they did have a friend whose children were attending the University of Saskatchewan, they suggested a compromise.

"That family connection is what brought me to Saskatoon. I came here first to 'get my feet wet,'" Poon said. He attended Grade 12 at Evan Hardy Collegiate to learn the language and acclimatize to a different culture. An upbeat, gregarious personality, he quickly met new people, made new friends and, in his own words, "had a blast."

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Even then, Poon still planned to transfer to the U of Texas. It's funny how life has a way of redirecting youthful ambitions. Poon worked hard but he also enjoyed a balanced social life. He joined the Chinese Student's Association (CSA), got involved in sports—and met Judy, a commerce student who happened to be a cheerleader for the CSA. Saskatoon began to feel a little more like home.

When Poon graduated with a degree in civil engineering in 1979, he returned to Hong Kong and began work at an engineering firm. Judy travelled to Hong Kong as well, and spent the summer with his

family before returning to the U of S for her final year. She graduated in 1980.

"Judy was born and raised here in Saskatoon, so Hong Kong was very different for her; culture shock, I think. Her family was here as well, so that pulled me back [to Saskatoon]," Poon said.

The couple married and made their life in Saskatoon, with frequent trips overseas to visit with his family. Their daughter Candace was born and raised in Saskatoon, and is also a U of S alumnus, having graduated with a BA in 2016.

Making a professional impact

Poon's professional career has been shaped by community. He had a number of mentors through the years, his father being the first and most influential.

"I became an engineer because of my father's influence, and the fact that he was a business owner also influenced me," Poon said.

Several of his engineering professors became mentors. When Poon returned to Saskatoon from Hong Kong in 1980, the Canadian economy was struggling and job opportunities for young engineers were few and far between. His network of contacts helped him land a short-term position as a research engineer on campus. This led to an offer from a former professor, Gordon Sparks (now professor emeritus of civil and geological engineering), to join Sparks, Duffee & Associates, Ltd., a local consulting engineering firm.

"Professor Sparks helped launch my career, and I was very appreciative of the opportunity. I remember seeing all these talented young engineers moving to other provinces, and it made me sad," Poon remembers.

That sense of loss stayed with him. When the consulting firm evolved into SAL Engineering Ltd. and Poon became the managing director, he made a conscious decision to hire and mentor Saskatchewan talent.

"All our engineers at SAL are University of Saskatchewan graduates, and our senior technologist is a Saskatchewan Polytechnic graduate; we like hiring interns and summer students from the U of S, too," he said. There's also a family connection: Poon's wife is the company administrator.

“As a young man, I benefited from the unique experiences and expertise of the people around me. They provided life-long lessons that I treasure. Meeting people from all walks of life has helped me chart my own personal path.” DON POON (BE’79)

SAL Engineering has completed more than \$400 million in municipal and transportation engineering projects since Poon joined the company. For the past 38 years, his leadership has set the tone for the firm’s commitment to improving health, safety and quality of life for urban, rural and First Nation residents across Saskatchewan.

“Our work is timely and responsible. The quality and value of our work reflect directly on our professional reputations, both as individuals and as a firm.”

Poon is particularly proud of the relationships he and the company have built with First Nations communities, municipalities, and government. In recent years, SAL has provided project management services for schools, health centres, water treatment plants, pumping stations, recreational facilities, fire halls, and road and flood control projects.

The Pelican Narrows high school addition and renovation project earned SAL the first-ever Pinnacle Award from the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies—Saskatchewan (ACEC-SK) for highest achieving project submission, as well as the 2017 ACEC-SK Brian Eckel Award of Excellence for project management. The project was not only delivered under budget and ahead of schedule, it provided over 22,500 hours of training and employment for local workers.

Poon has also been personally recognized for his commitment to the profession with a number of service awards, including the prestigious 2012 Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan Meritorious Achievement Award.

He continues to volunteer his time for a variety of professional associations, including the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Saskatchewan, the ACEC-SK, Western Canada Water and Wastewater Association and the American Water Works Association. He is one of a select group of Canadians to become a Fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers, and his long-standing memberships in the Institution of Civil Engineers in the United Kingdom and the European Federation of National Engineering Associations keep him in touch with the international engineering scene.

Why does he do all this—mentor, teach, hire local, volunteer, nurture relationships? “I like working with people,” Poon said. “As a young man, I benefitted from the unique experiences and expertise of the people around me. They provided life-long lessons that I treasure. Meeting people from all walks of life has helped me chart my own personal path, and I think that’s been good for me and also good for those who know me.

“I think it’s important for senior people to mentor younger people—that’s why I’m involved in so many communities.” ■

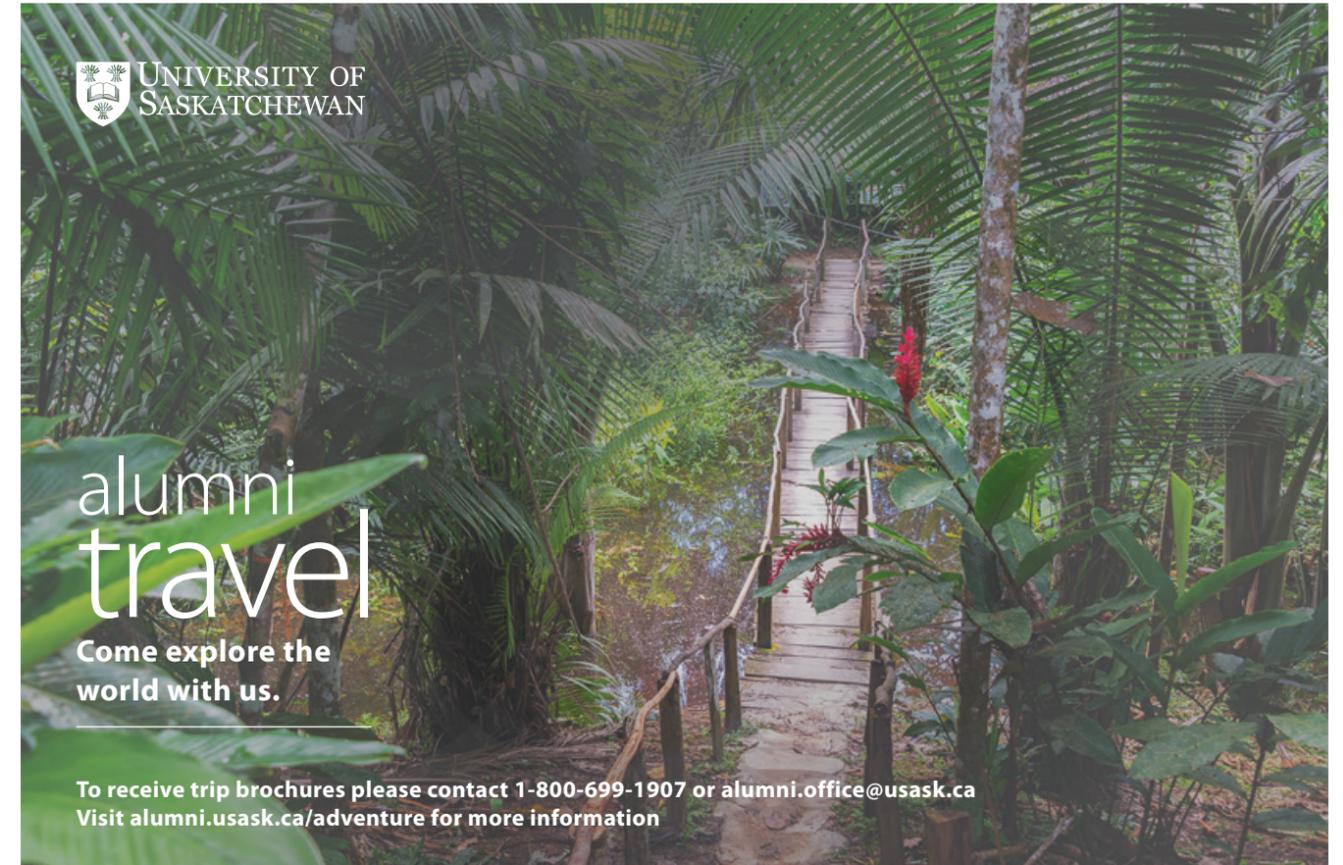
CONNECTING AN INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

In 2014, over 100 alumni attended the Chinese Students’ Association (CSA) 35th Reunion in Saskatoon. Don Poon helped organize the event, which was billed as the first (and to date, only) time the CSA’s reunion was held at the University of Saskatchewan.

“We planned the event for over two years, and we had great support from the alumni, the university and the College of Engineering,” Poon said. “We organized a campus tour, a gala banquet, karaoke in the Upper MUB, a soccer game at Griffith Stadium—it was a fun program. Some alumni brought their sons and daughters to see the U of S, see where they went to school.”

Approximately 41 per cent of attendees came all the way from Hong Kong to attend, another 36 per cent travelled from Alberta, B.C. and Ontario, and the rest were from Saskatchewan. They came for a chance to step back in time and reconnect with friends and former classmates, to visit old haunts and to see how the campus has changed over the years.

The reunion was so successful, there was a little money left over. The CSA decided to establish a one-time scholarship to reward the academic achievement of an international student who had completed a first year of study at the U of S. It’s another example of the collateral benefits of staying connected to community.



UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

Honorary degree nominations

An honorary degree is the highest honour the university can bestow. Honorary degrees are awarded to outstanding individuals who have made a worthy and unique contribution.

Nominations for honorary degree recipients are accepted year-round and are reviewed annually in the Spring by the Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees.

The guidelines and form for nominations can be found on the Office of the University Secretary’s website at usask.ca/secretariat/governing-bodies/senate/honorary-degrees.php



VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHT

Dr. Charles Simpson (MD'71)

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Dr. Charles Simpson (MD'71) is a Saskatoon-based obstetrician and gynecologist. Retired from clinical practice, he continues to teach as a clinical professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the College of Medicine.

Simpson has served as a member of the college's Alumni Association and as a volunteer consultant for the annual Highlights in Medicine alumni reunion conference.

He's also served as a mock interview facilitator to prepare medical students for their Canadian Residency Matching Service interviews. Additionally, he devotes his time to volunteering with the U of S Library and Persephone Theatre.

What specifically attracted you to volunteering?

DS: Now that I've stopped doing clinical practice, I'm mostly retired. Volunteering is another way of both filling in my time and contributing back to the college. As I grow older—and in my phase of life—we start to think about how valuable it was that we got through our careers. I think it's the general idea of giving back when I have the time to do so.

What keeps you motivated to continue to volunteer?

DS: Mostly the satisfaction of meeting people, and especially younger people—when I'm dealing with students—to feel like I've added something to my own life.

What types of relationships and learning experiences have you taken away from volunteering?

DS: Meeting and interacting with people, especially younger people, rather than just dealing with the seniors, was one of the reasons for volunteering.

How do you aim to inspire others to get involved?

DS: I try to be an example of what to do. In the community, I sometimes mention it to people that volunteering is something I've done and enjoyed. I don't go around and try strongly to get people to do things—only if it comes up in casual conversation. ■

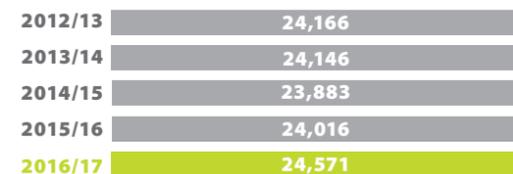


The U of S celebrates the value of volunteering. Visit alumni.usask.ca/volunteer to check out volunteer opportunities.



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ALUMNI NEWS



President's message

It's that time of year again when the days get longer, the sunlight gets stronger and the buds on trees begin to take shape. The always beautiful U of S campus looks even lovelier in the fresh green of springtime.

Looking back to our time on campus during this wonderful season, we can recall the buzz of finals and the anticipation of summer holidays. For so many alumni, our years at the U of S have shaped us and enabled contributions of all kinds to our world and community.

"Community" is the theme of this issue and I encourage you to renew and strengthen your connection to the U of S community. There are many ways to stay connected. Volunteer at a U of S event, make a gift, attend our events, sign up for your free alumni cards, send us your story—whatever way you can, we are here to keep you connected.

Many of you connected with us in 2017 during the Alumni Association centennial celebrations. I cannot reinforce enough how great it was to see so many alumni coming to events celebrating our 100 years—be it the Alumni Weekend, Huskie football games or at the events throughout the country.

Several events were held over the winter to help unite our alumni family. This year's inaugural Alumni and Friends skate saw nearly 200 alumni and community members visit campus and enjoy a skate around the U of S bowl. The fourth-annual Bunny Brunch was a huge success, with many future alumni on campus finding eggs in the snow. And finally, our annual day of giving, One Day for Students, raised over \$100,000 for students in need.

Hot on the heels of these events, we are planning another Alumni Weekend for the week of September 20, 2018. Mark this date on your calendar as we connect, learn and celebrate together.

As you flip through these pages of the *Green & White* and read about your fellow alumni, I hope you will feel connected to your alma mater and take pride in being part of this wonderful alumni community.

Remember, the U of S is always home. ■

Kelly Strueby (BComm'84)
President, Alumni Association

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CELEBRATE

Celebrate impact and influence we have achieved together over the past century. From Gala, to Pinning Ceremony to cheering on our Huskies, there is truly something for everyone.

RECONNECT

Although many things have changed, the energy and pulse of the University has stayed the same. Reconnect with old friends and forge new connections across generations with class specific parties, Campus tours, and more.

For more information and to register for the All-Years Reunion, please visit edwards100.ca

A way to remember

Alumni Patrick Hayes (BA'80, MA'90) and Bill Waiser (MA'76, PhD'83) explain how they plan to honour those who served during WWI.

G&W: What is the role and purpose of the university Great War Commemoration Committee?

BW: The committee was formed in the spring of 2014 to consider ways in which the Great War could be commemorated on campus. The membership includes student, staff, faculty, retiree, and general public representation. All members are alumni of the university.

Since August 2014, the committee has hosted a series of events and activities examining the impact of the war on the university and the wider Saskatchewan community and the contribution of the university and the province to the war effort.

These include the addition of missing names to Peter MacKinnon Building ribbon memorials and a talk by *The Globe and Mail* editorial cartoonist Brian Gable on Great War cartooning, among many other things.

PH: One of our ongoing projects has been a web page of archival documents—greatwar.usask.ca. The web page was conceived at the committee's first meeting. The site contains material scanned

exclusively from the University Archives and Special Collections. The subjects covered are driven by the archival and printed sources in the collection. It is hoped that the presentation of one of a kind and rare material will aid in the research into and knowledge of the Great War. The site will continue to expand through the addition of scanned material, with a search feature currently in the works.

G&W: The newest project of the Great War Commemoration Committee is to build a commemorative bench on campus. Can you explain this project?

BW: We wanted to mark the 100th anniversary of the end of First World War with a permanent monument—simple, graceful and respectful—dedicated to the men and women of the campus who served their country from 1914 to 1918.

PH: The bench was designed by local artisan Ryan Watson of Rocco Masons of Saskatoon.

G&W: Where will the bench be located?

PH: The bench location was an important consideration. We wanted it to be in the

heart of the original campus—a place that would have been familiar to the volunteers of the time. It will sit at the south end of the plaza between the original campus residences.

G&W: How was the university affected by the Great War?

BW: The Great War exacted a heavy human toll on the University of Saskatchewan. Of the 345 students, faculty and staff who enlisted, 69 were killed, about 100 were wounded. 35 were awarded medals of valour. Compare the enlistment number of 345 with the total number of grads by the end of 1918 at just over 300.

G&W: How can the alumni help with project?

PH: The university Great War Commemoration Committee is soliciting donations for the creation and installation of the memorial bench. Our goal is \$20,000 and donors will receive a charitable donation receipt.



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To donate to the Great War Memorial Bench Fund visit greatwar.usask.ca

Alumni events

The Alumni Relations office puts on many events throughout the year to reunite our alumni and remind you that U of S is always home.

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Ms. Margaret M. Brooke, BHSc'35, BA'65, PhD'71, of Victoria, BC, has been posthumously named as a College of Arts and Science Alumni of Influence honouree for 2018.

Mr. Alexander E. Douglas, BA'39, MA'40, of Ottawa, ON, has been posthumously named as a College of Arts and Science Alumni of Influence honouree for 2018.

1950

Ms. Dorothy M. Adams, BA'53, of Hanover, ON, published her book, *Tales of Three Wags*.

Mr. Merlis M. Belsher, BComm'57, LLB'63, of Saskatoon, SK, was awarded the Fellow CPA designation by the Chartered Professional Accountants of Saskatchewan.

Lieutenant Colonel (Retd) Stanley Dzuba, BE'58, of North Vancouver, BC, has been awarded the Governor General's Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers for his volunteer work in under-developed countries and local communities.

Professor Emeritus Donald C. Kerr, BA'57, of Saskatoon, SK, has been named the Meewasin Conservation Award recipient for 2017.

Mr. Edward P. Neufeld, BA'50, ARTS'51, of Mississauga, ON, has been named as a College of Arts and Science Alumni of Influence honouree for 2018.

1960

Mr. Bryan K. Anderson, BEd'64, of Edmonton, AB, retired from the Edmonton Public School System in 1998 after 34 years. He was elected to the Edmonton City Council in October of 1998 and stepped down on October 23, 2017 after six successful terms and 19 years as an Edmonton councillor—the fifth longest tenure in Edmonton history. Bryan was inducted into the Alberta Schools Athletic Association's Coaching Hall of Fame in 2010.

Professor Emeritus Ron G. Britton, BE'62, of Sanford, MB, published *On Design: A Philosophy of Design and Engineering*.

Mr. Grant G. Devine, BSA'67, of Caronport, SK, was appointed to serve a three-year term as a member of the University of Saskatchewan's Board of Governors on July 27, 2017.

Mr. Brian B. Fowler, BSA'64, MSc'65, of Saskatoon, SK, was inducted into the Saskatchewan Agricultural Hall of Fame on April 21, 2018.

Professor Emeritus Del G. Fredlund, BE'62, of Saskatoon, SK, was recently awarded the K.Y. Lo medal from the Engineering Institute of Canada for significant engineering contributions at the international level. His recently published biography titled, *Deserts, Dams and Dirt*, presents some of his engineering achievements along with his charitable projects in Vietnam and other countries. He has also co-authored two major textbooks on unsaturated soil mechanics. Mr. Fredlund recently delivered the Blight Lecture in Seoul, Korea in recognition of his lifelong and worldwide contributions to geotechnical engineering.

Dr. Philip H. Gordon, MD'66, of Hampstead, QC, was honoured with a Lifetime Achievement Award in Oncology for Excellence in Research, Teaching and Patient Care from the Gerald Bronfman Department of Oncology, Faculty of Medicine, at McGill University on October 23, 2017.

Professor Emeritus Don L. Hamilton, BSc'68, DVM'70, PhD'74, of Saskatoon, SK, has been selected as an official of the 2018 FEI World Equestrian Games (WEG) in Mill Spring, NC. He will serve as a Vet Commission 3 Member, responsible for providing veterinary care and oversight for the endurance portion of the games.

Mr. Robert S. Hodges, BA'64, of Saskatoon, SK, was presented with the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award by Marquis Who's Who on November 15, 2017.

Mr. Howard J. Kellough, LLB'66, of Vancouver, BC, was awarded the Canadian Tax Foundation Lifetime Contribution Award in 2016.

Mr. Leo L. King, BA'61, MA'66, BE'62, of Surrey, BC, was appointed as a member of the advisory board to Benz Mining Corporation's Board of Directors on August 14, 2017.

Mr. John K. Lovering, BA'68, BEd'70, of Wilcox, SK, will be posthumously inducted into the Saskatchewan Hall of Fame on July 7, 2018.

Dr. Roberta M. McKay, NURS'64, BSN'69, BA'80, MD'81, of Regina, SK, was honoured with the Regina YWCA Lifetime Achievement Award on April 26, 2018.

His Honour Tom T. Molloy, LLB'64, BA'64, LLD'09, of Regina, SK, was appointed as the next Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau on January 22, 2018.

Professor Emeritus Kay W. Nasser, PhD'65, DSc'16, of Saskatoon, SK, was appointed as a Member of the Order of Canada on December 29, 2017.

Ms. Lorri A. Neilsen Glenn, BEd'69, of Halifax, NS, professor emerita at Mount Saint Vincent University and former Halifax Poet Laureate, has recently published *Following the River: Traces of Red River Women, stories of her Indigenous ancestors and their contemporaries*. A poet, essayist, and researcher, Lorri has written and edited fourteen books. Find her at lorrineilsenglenn.com or @neilsenglenn.

Mr. Vern J. Racz, BSA'68, MSc'71, of Saskatoon, SK, was inducted into the Saskatchewan Agricultural Hall of Fame on April 21, 2018.

Mr. Gary D. Young, BA'68, LLB'71, of Saskatoon, SK, was awarded the Canadian Bar Association's Saskatchewan Distinguished Service Award for 2017, in recognition of exceptional contributions and achievements relating to the law in Saskatchewan and Canada.

1970

Mr. Neil A. Abramson, BA'74, of Lions Bay, BC, is the first author of the best-selling English language International management text, *Managing Cultural*

Differences, 10th Edition. This book is intended not only for MBA and undergraduate business students, but also businesspeople building effective cross-cultural relationships.

Ms. Sarah A. Carter, BA'76, MA'81, of Edmonton, AB, was the 2017 recipient of the Sir John A MacDonald Prize for her work *Imperial Plots: Women, Land, and the Spadework of British Colonialism on the Canadian Prairies* from Manulife and The Canadian Historical Association.

Mr. Mak Chai, PhD'76, of Petaling Jaya, Malaysia, was appointed the new vice-chancellor of First City University College effective October 2017.

Ms. Audrey P. Gauthier, BSN'77, BA'79, HOSADM'82, ARTS'96, of Red Deer, AB, has completed, with distinction, a Veterinary Technical Assistant certificate from Animal Sciences, Olds College, Alberta after retiring from 40 years of nursing administration in 2015.

Dr. Rosamund L. Harrison, DMD'74, of Vancouver, BC, was inducted in the Order of British Columbia, on November 30, 2017, in recognition of her role as an international leader in pediatric dentistry and early childhood oral health promotion. Harrison has enhanced pediatric dentistry education at the University of British Columbia and championed policy change to improve oral health of children in low-income, new immigrant and Indigenous communities.

Mr. Bill D. Hart, BA'70, of Montreal, QC, was named president of the Chambre de Commerce et d'Industrie Française au Canada (CCIFC) in June 2017. He previously served as its president from 2004 to 2008. Mr. Hart is the first person from Western Canada to serve in this role. During his previous term as president, he created the CCIFC Forum for Venture Capital and Private Equity, and chaired the Comité directeur de l'Union des chambres de commerce et d'industries françaises à l'étranger (UCCIFE). Mr. Hart, a partner at Langlois lawyers, practices corporate and commercial law and has actively worked with French businesses for many years. He is head of the firm's France-Quebec Practice Group, which

provides legal support adapted to the needs of French companies developing their activities in Quebec.

Mr. Trevor N. Herriot, BA'79, ARTS'81, of Regina, SK, received the 2017 Cheryl and Henry Kloppenburg Award for Literary Excellence from the Saskatchewan Writers Guild on September 19, 2017.

Mr. Dale E. Johnson, BA'76, of Regina, SK, has written a book called *The Last Best Car - The 67-X*, about the original winners and current owners of four exotic cars that were designed by George Barris and given away as prizes during Canada's Centennial Year of 1967. This is his first book, after a career in journalism with CBC, CTV and Global. He has also written more than 1,000 newspaper and magazine articles.

Mr. Bruce B. Johnstone, BA'74, ARTS'75, of Regina, SK, received the 2017 Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce ABEX Lifetime Achievement Award on October 21, 2017.

Mr. Ray J. Joubert, BSP'74, of Regina, SK, retired on December 31, 2017, after 40 years with the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals, 33 years of which he occupied the role of registrar.

Mr. Justice Vikas Khaladkar, BA'72, LLB'76, of Clarendville, NL, was appointed Judge of the Trial Division of the Supreme Court of Newfoundland & Labrador on October 20, 2017.

Mr. Garry R. King, BSP'70, of Regina, SK, along with **Mr. Darcy Scherle (BSP'73)**, attended the Saskatchewan Pharmacy Museum Society's display in Regina for Saskatchewan Culture Days, on September 30, 2017. Displays contained artifacts from the late 1800's up to the mid 1950's & 1960's, along with histories of pharmacists who worked in Saskatchewan. Alumni and members of the public can look back at how pharmacy practiced over the years by visiting saskatchewanpharmacymuseum.ca

Mr. Ken P. Krawetz, BEd'75, of Invermay, SK, was appointed chief of staff to the premier of Saskatchewan on September 6, 2017.

Dr. Peter J. Kuling, BSc'75, MSc'78, MD'82, of Ottawa, ON, has been awarded the 2017 Canadian Medical Association Sir Charles Tupper Award for political action.

Mr. Rick B. Kullman, BE'74, MSc'87, of Saskatoon, SK, received the Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan Meritorious Achievement Award on November 7, 2017.

Mrs. Cindy M. Litman, BSN'79, of Los Angeles, CA, recently travelled to Uganda, Africa on a medical mission with a team of spine surgeons, physiotherapists, and other health professionals.

Mr. Michael Matich, BAPE'72, BEd'73, of Winnipeg, MB, brought recreation and competition gymnastics to Saskatoon, SK in 1957 and 1963. Mr. Matich was inducted into the Yorkton Sports Hall of Fame and Museum in 2014 as both an athlete and builder of gymnastics.

Ms. Marion R. Mutala, BEd'79, PGD'94, MEDUC'95, of Saskatoon, SK, published two new books, *More Babas Please!* and *Kohhum's Babushka: A Magical/Metis/Ukrainian Tale*. Marion is also host of TV Show YOU ROCK on Shaw Cable 10. Check out her website at www.babasbabushka.ca.

Dr. Everett E. More, DVM'72, of Virden, MB, was inducted into the Manitoba Agricultural Hall of Fame in June 2017.

Mr. Kenneth A. Rosaasen, BSA'70, MSc'78, of Saskatoon, SK, has been re-elected to serve as a director of the Saskatchewan Wheat Development Commission for 2018 - 2022.

Ms. Sandra A. Semchuk, BFA'70, of Vancouver, BC, has her art installation, *Love Stories: Listening and Seeing as Gestures towards Reconciliation*, on display at the Mann Art Gallery in Prince Albert until October 27, 2017.

Mr. Chanan Singh, MSc'70, PhD'72, DSc'97, of College Station, TX, was elected as a member of the National Academy of Engineering, for advancement of theory, practice, and education in electric power system reliability on February 7, 2018.

Ms. Janet R. Wees, BEd'73, of Calgary, AB, published her first novel, *When We Were Shadows*. Ms. Wees has also been published in national and international educational journals, and *Alberta Retired Teachers' Magazine*. Since retiring after 29 years of teaching, she volunteers as a school debate coach, a World High School Debate judge, a White Hatter at the Calgary Airport, and as a fundraiser for 41 years for Ski for Heart at Lake Louise. She is an adventurous world traveler and a tutor for children with special needs.

Ms. Sharon M. Yanicki, BSN'75, of Lethbridge, AB, retired in June 2017 as co-ordinator of the Public Health and Aboriginal Health degree programs and assistant professor in the Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Lethbridge. Sharon continues to do research as an adjunct assistant professor at U of S.

1980

Ms. Margret S. Asmuss, BA'85, MCTGED'89, of Prud'Homme, SK, was presented with the President's Service Award at the University of Saskatchewan's fall convocation on October 28, 2017.

Mr. Gary L. Bainbridge, BA'87, LLB'88, of Saskatoon, SK, has been honoured with the Queen's Counsel designation for 2017.

Mr. Justice Bill S. Basran, BComm'89, LLB'94, of West Vancouver, BC, was appointed to the Supreme Court of British Columbia on January 19, 2018.

Ms. Leslie G. Belloc-Pinder, JD'84, BA'87, of Saskatoon, SK, was elected as the vice president of the Law Society of Saskatchewan for 2018 on December 1, 2017.

Ms. Pamela O. Booker, BEd'88, MEDUC'03, of Saskatoon, SK, became the chief/regional manager of education for the Prairie Region of Correction Service Canada at the regional headquarters in Saskatoon after 18 years of teaching. She recently accepted an assignment with Correction Service Canada National Headquarters in Ottawa, as a manager of education.

Mr. Chris C. Boychuk, BSc'82, LLB'86, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed as chair and re-appointed to the board of directors for the St. Paul's Hospital Foundation for the period of April 2017 to April 2019.

Minister Ken A. Cheveldayoff, BA'88, of Regina, SK, was appointed minister of Central Services and minister Responsible for the Public Service Commission and the Provincial Capital Commission for the province of Saskatchewan by Premier Scott Moe on February 2, 2018.

Ms. Patricia M. Chuey, BSNT'89, MSc'94, of Lantzville, BC, received the Dietitians of Canada 2017 Ryley-Jeffs Memorial Lecture Award, the profession's highest honour, for her pioneering spirit and leadership.

Mr. Dennis J. Fisher, BA'83, ARTS'84, BComm'88, JD'91, of Saskatoon, SK, has been honoured with the Queen's Counsel designation for 2017.

Mr. Peter L. Haukedal, BComm'82, of Red Deer, AB, was appointed as a director of Intigold Mines Ltd. on February 10, 2017.

Mr. Glen J. Johnson, LLB'86, of Kelowna, BC, has been reappointed as a full-time member of the employment insurance section of the Government of Canada Social Security Tribunal for a three-year term, effective March 1, 2018.

Mr. Robert J. Morgan, BE'85, of Calgary, AB, was appointed president and CEO of Cona Resources Ltd. effective October 13, 2017.

Ms. Janice Y. Johnson, BEd'88, of Surrey, BC, completed her Masters in Education at Simon Fraser University, Burnaby in June 2017.

Minister Warren M. Kaeding, BSA'85, of Churchbridge, SK, was appointed legislative secretary to the minister Responsible for SaskTel for the province of Saskatchewan on August 30, 2017. He retained the position of legislative secretary to the minister of Agriculture. He was then appointed minister of Government Relations and minister of First Nations, Metis and Northern Affairs for the province of Saskatchewan by premier Scott Moe on February 2, 2018.

Ms. Sheila M. Kelly, BA'85, MA'88, of Regina, SK, was named the recipient of the prestigious Schroeder Award by the International Sports Heritage Association. The official presentation took place on October 19, 2017 in Knoxville, TN. Sheila is the executive director of the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame.

Ms. Marianne M. Kramchynsky, JD'81, of Rosthern, SK, has been honoured with the Queen's Counsel designation for 2017.

Mr. Don J. Listwin, BE'80, LLD'01, of Woodside, CA, was appointed to the board of directors of POET Technologies Inc. on January 22, 2018.

Mr. Scott Livingstone, BSP'88, MSc'94, of Regina, SK, was appointed to the position of CEO of the new Saskatchewan Health Authority on August 23, 2017.

Mr. Tarig M. Magzoub, LLM'86, of Omdurman, Sudan, joined the legislative drafting department at the Sudanese Ministry of Justice since graduation. Mr. Magzoub contributed to law reform efforts initiated by the Sudanese Environment Conservation Society, a leading NGO, and provided several consultancies in the areas of natural resources law. He is currently providing consultancy training services for reputed international bodies in the areas of constitution making and law reform.

Mr. Keith G. Martell, BComm'85, LLD'16, of Eagle Ridge, SK, was appointed chair of the National Indian Brotherhood Trust Fund on November 19, 2017.

Mrs. Rita S. Matlock, BA'82, MA'90, of Saskatoon, SK, was the recipient of the 2017 Sylvia Wallace Sessional Lecturer Award from the University of Saskatchewan.

Mr. Robert J. Morgan, BE'85, of Calgary, AB, was appointed president and CEO of Cona Resources Ltd. effective October 13, 2017.

Dr. Cory O. Neudorf, BSc'86, MD'89, of Saskatoon, SK, received the Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation Impact Award on December 7, 2017.

Mr. Patrick G. Novecosky, BA'89, of Ave Maria, FL, was recently appointed vice-president of coalition relations for The Cardinal Newman Society, a non-profit based in Manassas, Virginia.

Mr. Helen M. Pridmore, BMUS'83, of Regina, SK, received graduate degrees from the University of Toronto and the Eastman School of Music at the University of Rochester. She is currently associate professor in the faculty of media, art, and performance at the University of Regina. In January, Helen starred in the premiere of a new chamber opera by acclaimed UK composer Michael Finnissy, which took place in Victoria, BC. In the year to come Helen will also be performing in Mexico City, Montréal, St. John's, NL and Regina. For more information, visit her website at www.helenpridmore.ca.

Mr. Calvin C. Redlick, LLB'81, BA'83, of London, UK, has been appointed as a board of director for Gensource Potash Corp.

Ms. Kathleen M. Ring, LLB'84, of Delta, BC, has been appointed a prothonotary of the Federal Court.

Madam Justice Lian M. Schwann, JD'80, of Regina, SK, was appointed a judge of the Court of Appeal for Saskatchewan on August 17, 2017.

Mr. Art G. Slade, BA'89, of Saskatoon, SK, has been named as a College of Arts & Science Alumni of Influence honouree for 2018.

Mr. Felix A. Thomas, BSPE'88, BA'90, of Rosthern, SK, was presented with the Honoured Supporter Award from the Association of Fundraising Professionals, Saskatoon Chapter on November 15, 2017.

Mr. Michael W. Thomas, PhD'85, of Stourport-on-Severn, UK, was a finalist in the George Orwell Dystopian Fiction Prize, 2017. His latest poetry collection, *Early and Late*, and his collection of short fiction, *The Portswick Imp*, will be published in the UK in 2018.

Mr. Ken R. Wasyliuk, BSc'87, MSc'02, of Saskatoon, SK, joined ALX Uranium Corp.'s Technical Committee as a technical advisor.

Mr. Reg E. Wihak, BEd'82, BA'84, MEDUC'12, of Saskatoon, SK, was recently honoured for his teaching service of 25 years with the Saskatoon Public School Division. He was appointed to Colette Bourgonje School in Rosewood Saskatoon.

Mr. John C. Will, LLB'85, of Humboldt, SK, has been honoured with the Queen's Counsel (Q.C.) designation for 2017.

Ms. Donna M. Woloschuk, BSP'82, of Calgary, AB, was appointed, in September 2017, to the AB Expert committee on drug evaluation and therapeutics for a three-year term. Prior to this, Donna was the consultant who led the Association of Faculties of Pharmacy of Canada's revision of its educational outcomes for first professional degree programs in Pharmacy.

Ms. Alice L. Wong, BComm'84, MA'90, of Saskatoon, SK, has been named as a College of Arts and Science Alumni of Influence honouree for 2018.

Minister Gordon S. Wyant, BA'85, LLB'86, of Regina, SK, was appointed deputy premier and minister of Education for the province of Saskatchewan by premier Scott Moe on February 2, 2018.

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Ms. Norely Abd Rahman, BComm'91, of Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, graduated with her PhD in October 2017 from Asia e University Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia after five years of research. The title of her dissertation is Second Language and Background Language Influences on the Oral Production of Spanish Words and Phrases as a Third Language Among 5 - 6 Year Old Students.

Ms. Leanne M. Bellegarde, LLB'91, of Saskatoon, SK, has been honoured with the Queen's Counsel designation for 2017.

Ms. Susan R. Busse, BComm'99, of Saskatoon, SK, received the Western Canadian Music Award for Impact in Music Marketing on September 16, 2017.

Mr. Evan E. Eichler, BSc'90, of North Bend, WA, was elected as a member of the National Academy of Medicine on October 16, 2017.

Minister Bronwyn O. Eyre, BA'93, LLB'96, of Saskatoon SK, was elected MLA for Saskatoon Stonebridge-Dakota in Saskatchewan's 2016 spring general election. In August 2016, she was appointed by premier Brad Wall to serve as minister of Advanced Education. In August 2017, she was appointed minister of Education and minister responsible for the Status of Women. On February 2, 2018, she was appointed minister of Energy and Resources and minister responsible for SaskEnergy and SaskWater by premier Scott Moe.

Mr. Justice Paul Favel, BA'95, of Saskatoon, SK, has been appointed a supernumerary judge, effective December 11, 2017, by the Honourable Jody Wilson-Raybould, minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada.

Ms. Karla L. Guyn, MSc'94, PhD'01, of Lockport, MB, has been named as a College of Arts & Science Alumni of Influence honouree for 2018.

Dr. Jennifer L. Hilton, BSc'98, MSc'00, MD'03, of White City, SK, completed postgraduate Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons subspecialty training in reproductive endocrinology and infertility at University of British Columbia and is now providing the full spectrum of fertility care with the team at Pacific Centre for Reproductive Medicine in Edmonton, Alberta.

Mr. Joe M. Kaminski, BComm'94, of Ottawa, ON, received a North American Award of Excellence from Roche Diagnostics in 2012.

Dr. Jennifer E. Kuzmicz, MD'99, of White City, SK, has been named the 2017 Family Physician of the Year by the Saskatchewan Medical Association.

Mr. George A. Lewko, BSA'92, of Prince Albert, SK, was the recipient of the Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists Recognition award.

Madam Justice Heather D. MacMillan-Brown, LLB'96, of Saskatoon, SK, was appointed to the Court of Queen's Bench for Saskatchewan on February 22, 2018.

Mr. Chad W. Magus, BComm'98, of Calgary, AB, was appointed executive vice president and chief financial officer of Secure Energy Services Inc. on September 5, 2015.

Minister Gene A. Makowsky, BEd'97, of Regina, SK, was appointed minister of Parks, Culture and Sport and minister responsible for Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority for the province of Saskatchewan on August 30, 2017.

Ms. Catherine N. Marshall, HECADM'93, HECADM'94, BSN'99, of Saskatoon, SK, is director of Nursing at the emergency department and the Cath Lab in Heart Hospital, Hamad Medical Corporation, Doha Qatar. She also works as an international surveyor for Accreditation Canada.

Ms. Monique C. Martin, BEd'93, of Saskatoon, SK, was one of the 2017 short-listed nominees for the Arts and Learning award from the Saskatchewan Arts Board.

Madam Justice Meghan R. McCreary, BA'95, of Regina, SK, has been honoured with the Queen's Counsel designation for 2017. She was appointed to the Court of Queen's Bench for Saskatchewan on February 22, 2018.

Ms. Joanne C. Moser, LLB'93, of Regina, SK, has been honoured with the Queen's Counsel (Q.C.) designation for 2017. She is presently the co-chair of the Saskatchewan Social Services Appeal Board, and the chair of the City of Regina Board of Revision, along with her private practice at the law firm, Richmond Nychuk.

Ms. Sloane J. Muldoon, BComm'91, of Calgary, AB, was appointed senior vice-president, prairie region of Scotiabank in May 2017.

Ms. Laura J. Reiter, BSA'93, of Radisson, SK, was appointed to serve as the board chair for the Saskatchewan Wheat Commission on January 11, 2018.

Ms. Serese A. Selanders, BA'95, MBA'13, of Saskatoon, SK, was named to the board of directors of Saskatchewan Health Quality Council on January 30, 2018.

Dr. Susan A. Shaw, MD'95, of Saskatoon, SK, was appointed the chief medical officer for the Saskatchewan Health Authority on December 4, 2017. She was also the 2017 recipient of the Dr. Dennis A. Kendel Distinguished Service Award. The annual award, which is presented by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan, recognizes outstanding contributions to physician leadership and/or to physician engagement in quality improvements in health care in Saskatchewan.

Mr. Carey J. Simonson, BE'91, MSc'93, PhD'98, of Corman Park, SK, was presented with the Distinguished Graduate Supervisor Award at the University of Saskatchewan's fall convocation on October 28, 2017.

Mr. Ben K. Voss, BE'99, of Saskatoon, SK, was named the incoming president and CEO of Morris Industries Ltd. on September 6, 2017.

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Ms. CeCe D. Baptiste, CIBA'02, BComm'04, of Saskatoon, SK, has been named one of CBC Saskatchewan Future 40 for 2017.

Ms. Nicole J. Berg, BA'09, of London, UK, has been named Life Coach of the Year for 2017 by Powerhouse Global Women.

Ms. Erin L. Cortus, BE'02, PhD'07, of Vadnais Heights, MN, joined the University of Minnesota, Department of Bioproducts and Biosystems Engineering as an assistant professor and extension engineer in August 2017.

Mr. Matthew J. Dunn, BE'04, MSc'10, of Saskatoon, SK, has been named one of CBC Saskatchewan Future 40 for 2017.

Ms. Ashlyn N. George, BA'09, BEd'10, of Saskatoon, SK, has been named one of CBC Saskatchewan Future 40 for 2017.

Ms. Katrina L. German, BA'00, of Saskatoon, SK, has been named as a College of Arts and Science Alumni of Influence honouree for 2018.

Minister Jeremy E. Harrison, JD'04, of Regina, SK, was appointed minister of Trade and Export Development and minister of Immigration and Career Training for the province of Saskatchewan by Premier Scott Moe on February 2, 2018.

Mr. Tim P. Hawryluk, LLB'01, BA'01, of Saskatoon, SK, has been honoured with the Queen's Counsel designation for 2017.

Ms. Adrienne N. Ivey, BSA'03, of Ituna, SK, is the recipient of the 2017 Farm and Food Care Champion Award, as presented by Farm and Food Care Saskatchewan.

Mr. Wilson O. Johnston, BSA'04, of Rosetown, SK, launched FieldAnalytics, an AG Geospatial tool, throughout Canada, along with Devin Dubois (LLB'07).

Mr. Cameron J. Kemp, LLB'03, of Medicine Hat, AB, was awarded the 2017 Business Ethics Award for Cameron J. Kemp Law Office, sponsored by the Better Business Bureau and presented annually by the Medicine Hat and District Chamber of Commerce on October 13, 2017.

Mr. Benjamin J. Kormos, JD'08, of Calgary, AB, is president of the Rotary Club of Calgary West effective July 1, 2017. He was one of the first of his class invited to join the partnership of an established Calgary regional law firm (Walsh LLP), where he articulated and continues as founding practice group leader of its Estate Litigation Group and a practice group leader of Walsh LLP's Commercial Litigation Group. He is a contributing member of several CBA-Alberta Executives, including Estate & Trusts; Civil Litigation; and Construction; and the National Counsel (Alberta Rep). As president of Rotary Calgary West, he is a leader of fellow rotarians undertaking numerous local and international projects and initiatives. Mr. Kormos personally leads and

participates in several projects focused on Latin American education, basic housing, and local advanced dementia care.

Dr. Kylie E. Kvinlaug, BScMED'04, MD'04, of Saskatoon, SK, has been named one of CBC Saskatchewan Future 40 for 2017.

Mr. Robert J. LeBlanc, BEd'06, of Lethbridge, AB, was appointed as assistant professor of ELA/Literacy at the University of Lethbridge's Faculty of Education.

Mr. Kim J. McKechney, BA'04, of Saskatoon, SK, has been named executive director, community engagement and communications for the Saskatchewan Health Authority.

Ms. Vicki R. Mowat, BA'08, MA'11, of Saskatoon, SK, was elected as a Member of Saskatchewan Legislature to represent the riding of Saskatoon Fairview on September 7, 2017.

Dr. Adebola O. Obayan, PhD'04, of Saskatoon, SK, received his Canada 150 pin from MP Brad Trost on December 1, 2017. Dr. Obayan has dedicated his medical career to fighting fetal alcohol syndrome disorder.

Mr. John R. Pantazopoulos, BComm'00, of Calgary, AB, was recognized as a Top 40 Under 40 by Avenue Calgary.

Mr. Derek A. van Nes, BE'03, of White City, SK, was appointed director, sustaining capital, for the Mosaic Company, potash business unit on September 1, 2017.

Ms. Blair E. Voth Miller, BComm'03, BA'03, of Saskatoon, SK, was presented with the Honoured Supporter Award from Association of Fundraising Professionals Saskatoon Chapter on November 15, 2017.

Mr. Joe P. Wickenhauser, BA'09, of Moose Jaw, SK, has been named one of CBC Saskatchewan Future 40 for 2017.

Ms. Kim R. Williams, BE'00, of Calgary, AB, received the North American Women in Energy Inspirational Team Leader Award at the 2017 Women in Energy Forum Reception in Calgary, Alberta on September 21, 2017.

Ms. Sheri L. Willick, BUSADM'06, of Saskatoon, SK, was elected to the 2018 Saskatoon and Region Association of REALTORS® board of directors as well as to the 2017-18 board of directors of the Saskatchewan Soccer Association.

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Mr. Abraham A. Ali, PhD'15, of Ethiopia, returned to his home country, Ethiopia, after graduation

and was appointed vice-president for academic affairs of Wolaita Sodo University, Ethiopia in November 2015. In December 2016, he was also appointed head of the Regional Health Bureau.

Ms. Robyn P. Anderson, MFA'16, of Corner Brook, NL, had her art installation, *Nature and Other Terrible Things*, on display inside Gallery No. 2 at the Estevan Art Gallery and Museum from September 15 to October 27, 2017. It is a personal reflection of the artist's personal journeys through depression and anxiety.

Mr. Justin Bedi, MIT'15, of Victoria, BC, self-published *Sports are worth how much?!* *And other questions in pro sports answered (kind of)*.

Mr. Taylor J. Bell, BSc'16, of Montreal, QC, had his paper, *The Very Low Albedo of WASP-12b from Spectral Eclipse Observations with Hubble*, featured in The Astrophysical Journal Letters of September 14, 2017.

Ms. Nicole K. Callihoo, MPA'14, of Edmonton, AB, has been named assistant deputy minister, First Nations, Metis, Inuit Education Directorate for Alberta Education.

Ms. Renata R. Huyghebaert, BComm'17, of Saskatoon, SK, was the recipient of the Chamberlain Scholarship from Association of Fundraising Professionals, Saskatoon Chapter on November 15, 2017.

Mr. Jake R. Leguee, BSA'10, of Weyburn, SK, has been elected to serve as a director of the Saskatchewan Wheat Development Commission for 2018 - 2022.

Dr. Magda Lenartowicz, MD'12, of Tujunga, CA, was appointed to the position of medical director by SCAN on August 14, 2017. She also still works per diem as a hospice and palliative medicine physician with Rozeroom Hospice.

Mr. David H. McKerchar, DIPAGB'13, BSA'15, of Yorkton, SK, was awarded with Masters Credential in Grain Operations Management by Kansas State University and the Grain Elevators and Processors Society in October 2017.

Ms. Camilla L. Offredi, BComm'10, of Yellowknife, NT, passed her National Knowledge Exam in November 2017.

Ms. Feather K. Pewapisconias, BEd'16, of Saskatoon, SK, was the keynote speaker at the Wilfred Laurier University in Waterloo on Indigenous Education and speaker at the National Assembly of First Nations Executive Directors of Education Conference. She is a Cree bilingual teacher with the Saskatoon Public School Division.

Vice-Chief David Pratt, BEd'16, of Edenwold, SK, was elected second vice-chief of the FSIN on October 26, 2017.

Mr. Malcolm S. Radke, BComm'13, of Lloydminster, SK, has been appointed as the new CEO of the Lloydminster Region Health Foundation effective November 1, 2017.

Ms. Karen A. Robson, BComm'13, of Saskatoon, SK, has been named one of CBC Saskatchewan Future 40 for 2017.

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- Agar, Maria I (Gillanders), BHSc'41
- Anderson, Marian G (Dixon), BA'42
- Arcand, Albert J, BE'49
- Baillie, Richard M, BE'48
- Beare, Richard O, BE'49
- Belcourt, Emile A, PHARM'49
- Bernard, Gerald A, BE'49
- Byce, Lois M, BA'47
- Cade, Marjorie I (Hamilton), BHSc'45
- Campbell, Gordon R, BE'48
- Cornish, Leslie N (Norman), AGRIC'47
- Drayton, Jeanette M (Janet) (Hurley), BA'42, Educ'44
- Folkerson, Doris M (Ball), BA'49
- Frantz, Josephine M (Mamczasz), BHSc'47
- Gardiner, Gordon H, BSA'48
- Gooding, Kenneth J (Ken), BE'49
- Goy, Michael, BE'49
- Graham, Ethel I (Singleton), BHSc'48
- Hartley, Mary I (Howie), BA'46
- Herr, William G, BE'48
- Hetherington, William R, BE'42
- Holmes, George W, BE'49
- Kardos, Geza, BE'48
- Keith, Margaret G (Marg), BHSc'43, Educ'45, BEd'67
- Kindrachuk, Walter, BA'48, MD'51
- Lusk, Kenneth E, BEd'49, BA'62
- McFarlane, Adalane T (Prowse), BA'48
- McGourlick, Jean L (Smith), BA'43, BEd'49
- McNay, Elizabeth N (Betty), BACC'44
- Mollard, John D (Jack), BE'45
- Morrison, Finlay A, PHARM'42, BSP'47
- Nenniger, Dorothy L (Jackson), BA'47
- Newsham, Gwendolyn S, BA'47, Educ'60, BEd'61
- Ochitwa, Peter, BComm'48
- Pantel, Edmund H (Ted), BE'47
- Persson, Bessie L (Neilson), BSN'46
- Reid, Myrl M (Yake), BHSc'40
- Sargent, Kenneth S (Ken), BE'45
- Schmitz, Kenneth L, BA'48
- Schwandt, Marie A (Onerheim), BA'47, Educ'48
- Sefton, Shirley J (Hodgins), BA'47
- Shepherd, Clifford A, AGRIC'47
- Shyluk, Walter P, BA'49, MA'53
- Siemens, Peter, BA'48, MD'57
- Stephens, Harold, BE'44
- Tangye, Margaret E (Grant), BA'45
- Turner, Allan R, BA'48, MA'58
- Wise, Jacob M (Jack), BE'47
- Wright, James O (Jim), AGRIC'48

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- Anderson, Andrew M, BE'57
- Anderson, Beverly A, NURS'59
- Barber, Dalwyn G, BA'50
- Berisoff, Michael, BA'54
- Blakely, John R, AGRIC'51
- Blott, Arthur J, BA'55

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

In Memoriam include those who have passed prior to March 15, 2018. Names are listed by decade of receipt of their first U of S degree. Date of death and last-known address can be found online at usask.ca/greenandwhite.

- Buckle, Terence A, BE'55
- Burke, Marguerite (Vigrass), BA'50, BEd'53, MEd'73
- Buryniuk, Walter, BE'53
- Checkley, Shirley J (Adams), NURS'58, BSN'65
- Clark, Lloyd A, BE'54, MSc'55
- Cox, Anne M, BA'57
- Devine, John D (Jack), BE'50, BA'50
- Dodds, James C, AGRIC'54
- Dudley, Julie M (Cichon), BSHC'54
- Emson, Harry E, ADEUND'59
- Fahl, Cecilia J, BA'59, BEd'61
- Fischer, Catherine M (Wiggins), BA'50
- Flanagan, Herbert C, BComm'52
- Gau, Norma J (Vinlet), BA'58
- Hagemeister, John W (Jack), BA'51, LLB'55
- Hardy, David D (Dale), BSA'56, BA'58
- Hay, Harry S (Stewart), BA'52
- Hayes, Clifford W (Cliff), BSA'55, MSc'58
- Heichman, Walter J, BA'54, MD'54
- Hill, Clifford R (Ronald), BA'50
- Hovdebo, Stanley J, BEd'50
- King, Margot H (Bujjila), BA'54
- Kingdon, Henry R (Ross), BSA'55
- Klassen, Peter W, MD'52
- Kobelak, Alexander, BE'53
- Kowalenko, Edward A, BSA'52
- Kowbuz, Miro F, BA'51
- Leaker, Margaret C (Bone), BEd'56
- MacKay, Velma L (Denholm), BA'50
- Mackenzie, William I (Bill), BSP'56
- Matiko, Mary G, NURS'57
- McCarthy, Rosscoe G (Grant), BE'59
- McLeod, George J, BA'51
- Miner, William M (Bill), BSA'52, MSc'62
- Munro, Sylvia J (Probert), BA'50
- Murray, Mary R (Rae) (Lane), BA'51, LLB'53
- Pelech, Harry, BE'57
- Pereverzoff, Peter J, BSP'54
- Petreny, Joseph F, BEd'55, BA'62
- Philp, Ian J, BA'53, MD'64
- Pidwerbetsky, Shirley A, NURS'57, BSN'65
- Pipes, William B (Bill), BSP'50
- Poelzer, Irene A (Ruth), BA'50, BEd'64, MEd'68
- Propp, Reinhold, BA'52
- Ratzlaff, Clifford N, BA'53, BEd'60
- Rayner, Lawrence C, BSA'50, BComm'51
- Roalsvig, Jan P, PhD'59
- Rude, Milton A, Arts'52
- Sabier, Harry A, BE'54
- Selby, Austin W, BA'58, BComm'58
- Sheard, William A, BE'50
- Spencer, Marie (Klaassen), BA'53, MA'55
- Spooner, Michael A, BA'58
- Stinson, James H (Harvey), BComm'53
- Strelloff, Alexander J, BEd'54
- Svab, William G (Bill), BE'50
- Thompson, Corinne E (Cram), BSP'55
- Timmons, Edward P, BA'57
- Weber, Eugene R, BEd'50
- Weeks, Edwin L, BA'51
- Whitehead, William F, BA'53, MA'55
- Wilson, Niall G (Garrett), BA'53, LLB'54
- Yanow, Robert D, BA'56
- Zinger, Cecil H, BA'56

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- Attwater, Gerald W, BE'66, Educ'70
- Banks, Harold H, Acc'63, ADMIN'67
- Barr, Michael A, BA'68
- Bartel, Delmer R (Roy), BA'68, BEd'69
- Bergstrom, John C, BA'61, MA'64
- Bonnor, Gordon S, BSA'64, Educ'65, BEd'65
- Brookes, William R (Ronald), BE'60
- Brown, Ronald H, BA'66
- Browne, Joan M, BA'69, BEd'76
- Burke, John A, BusAdm'64
- Burwell, Thomas J (Tom), BSA'64
- Church, Terrence L (Terry), BSA'62, DVM'69, MSc'78
- Cupid, John G, BA'63
- Currie, Ronald W (Ron), BSP'66
- Curry, Christine M (Scott), PHYSIO 1967
- De Vries, Bernardus, BEd'69
- Dean, Alfred D (Dale), BA'67
- Dodsworth, Donald W, BSP'65
- Dossdall, Leroy C, BEd'62
- Erickson, Marilyn W (Colbeck), BSHC'61
- Fortosky, Theodore J (Ted), BA'60, Educ'64, BEd'64, MEd'80
- Fusick, Paulette A, BA'67
- Galvin, Glenda I, BA'64, BEd'78
- Gibney Zlonis, Sheralyn S (Gibney), BA'66, MD'70
- Giesbrecht, Joan E (Reid), NURS'63
- Gossling, Malcolm W, BEd'68, AGRIC'77
- Gurry, Lillian L (Louise), BA'68
- Gurstein, Michael B, BA'65
- Hansen, Dorothy K (Deutscher), BEd'63
- Hawryluk, William, BEd'65, BA'66
- Haynes, Anthony W (Tony), BEd'62, BA'64, MA'79
- Hegel, Frank A, BA'69, BEd'70, MEd'75
- Hengen, Patrick C, JD'65
- Hooge, Gary B, BComm'64
- Iverson, Larry W, BSP'68
- Johnson, Victor M, BEd'65
- Jones, Georgina M (Fockler), NURS'61
- Kearns, Charles W, BA'63
- Keith, Donald C, BEd'61
- Klein, Michael D, BA'69, Educ'70
- Knoll, Richard P, BComm'68
- Knutson, Marvin A, AGRIC'67
- Korchinski, Barry T, BE'67
- Kotyk, Adam, BEd'67
- Krahn, Murray D, BA'64, Educ'66
- Krochenski, Caren S, BA'65
- Labrecque, Eva T (Senkow), BEd'69
- Laing, Donna J (Sipko), BEd'68
- Langer, Susan K (Welsh), BA'68
- Lemieux, Laurence A, BSA'69
- Levy, Gary E, BA'67
- Lipp, Rudy P, BA'67, BEd'69
- Lovering, John K, BA'68, BEd'70
- Lupick, Steve, BEd'62, BA'67
- MacCrimmon, Ronald F (Ron), AGRIC'64, AGRIC'64
- Malec, Baldwin M, BEd'65, BA'68
- Martin, Mary (Zywina), BA'61
- Mason, Lorne G, BE'66, PGD'69, PhD'73
- McArthur, Ivan C, BA'63, MA'67
- McGowan, Donald C, BA'67, MA'72

IN MEMORIAM

- Mclvor, Roderick M, BEd'69
- McLean, Harold G, BEd'66, BSc'71, MEd'74
- Mildemberger, Johanna F, BA'69
- Montgomery, Lorna G (Wedge), BSc'69
- Morden, Ella M (Marjorie) (Sherk), BSN'65
- Muttart, Kathleen M, BA'69, BEd'77, MEd'85
- Noonan, Brian W, BEd'69, PGD'72, MEd'74, BA'75
- Olauson, Willard E, BE'61
- Owen, Robert T, BComm'66
- Pavelich, Barbara V, Acc'62, BA'65, Educ'66, BEd'73, PGD'75
- Payne, Terry F, BComm'67
- Pederson, Elaine M (Hansen), BSN'67
- Phillips, Gerald E, BComm'65
- Prefontaine, Armand J, BEd'68, BA'72
- Reinhardt, Uwe E, BComm'64
- Robinson, James M, BE'63
- Ross, Cameron M, BSA'68
- Sanderson, Lyle K, BAPE'63, MSc'69
- Sorochan, Patricia J, BEd'62, BComm'63
- Stinchcomb, Ann L, BEd'66
- Thoden, James S, BAPE'64
- Vinish, Diane P (Weir), BA'69
- Westlund, Arthur L, BSA'66
- Whiteside, Brian M, BA'67, Educ'69, PGD'89
- Wilfing, Raymond J, BSA'69
- Wittner, Ronald E, BA'67, BEd'69
- Woo, Jannie, MSc'62

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- Babonich, Richard E, BEd'71, BA'71
- Bailey, Barbara M (Edwards), BEd'75
- Barton, Robert A, AGRIC'76
- Bastian, Karl, HOSADM'73
- Baumann, Carol E (Wilson), BEd'71
- Boys, Raymond R, PUBADM'74
- Brookman, David H, PhD'74
- Bull, Gordon R, Sc'77, DVM'81
- Caruk, Joan M (Liefers), BEd'76, MEd'83
- Cherneskey, Mary (Bodnarchuk), MEd'78
- Coughlin, Barbara E (Jenkins), DVM'76
- Crocker, Adele I (Folkes), BSHC'74
- Crowe, Robert G (Bob), JD'78, BA'83
- Davies, Robert B, BEd'71, BA'75
- Doepker, Allan J, BEd'70
- Dyck, Wayne F, BEd'72, PGD'77, MEd'79
- Exner, Kathleen H (Skinner), BEd'71
- Fagan, Charles S, BEd'70
- Ferguson, George J, BE'72
- Foster, Hugh J, AGRIC'71
- Gabriel, Vernon B (Bruce), BA'74
- Gabruch, David R, BComm'76
- Grace, Michael J, BA'75, BComm'79
- Graham, Perry D, AGRIC'73
- Grossmann, Hans K, HOSADM'71
- Gunningham, Robert J, BSA'76
- Haugen, Curtis D, BSc'73, BEd'80
- Hayton, Norma D (Dawn) (Code), BEd'71, BA'84
- Kachur, Elizabeth (Hunchak), BA'79
- Kilara, Arun, MSc'71
- King, Jean, BEd'72
- Kotyk, Wayne M, BE'78
- Leier, Carolyn L (Carole), BEd'71
- MacFarlane, Neil D, MSc'79
- McClenaghan, Joanne F (Laing), BSc'71
- McKee, Wesley H (Hugh), MD'71
- Moen, Eileen C (McPeak), BEd'73
- O'Keefe, Joyce E (Faber), BA'74, BEd'78
- O'Rourke, Patrick C, BEd'74
- Quibell, Sidney B, AGRIC'79
- Ranger, Jacqueline M, BEd'76
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