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A rare combination, **Ann-Catherine** (left) is pursuing a double major in Neuroscience and Fine Arts. She has also taken advantage of the student exchange program, studying a semester abroad in Marseille, France. AC enjoys sharing her experiences with prospective

students as a Student Ambassador. Grateful for being able to pave such a unique path here, she is appreciative of you, the donors who make it happen. **Alexzandra** (centre), a 4<sup>th</sup> year Elementary Education student, has kept busy during her time on campus as a mentor in

the Big Buddies program, a volunteer for Orientation Week and the Fashion Show and has worked as the Chief Retuning Officer within the SRC. Alex appreciates the many leadership opportunities she's been afforded by the generous support of donors like you. In the final year

of BBA in Finance, **Christian** (right) has built upon his classroom experience as the founder of the BU Investment Club and as a member of the SEED investment portfolio. A scholarship recipient, Christian is thankful for the chances he's had to transform his passions into reality.

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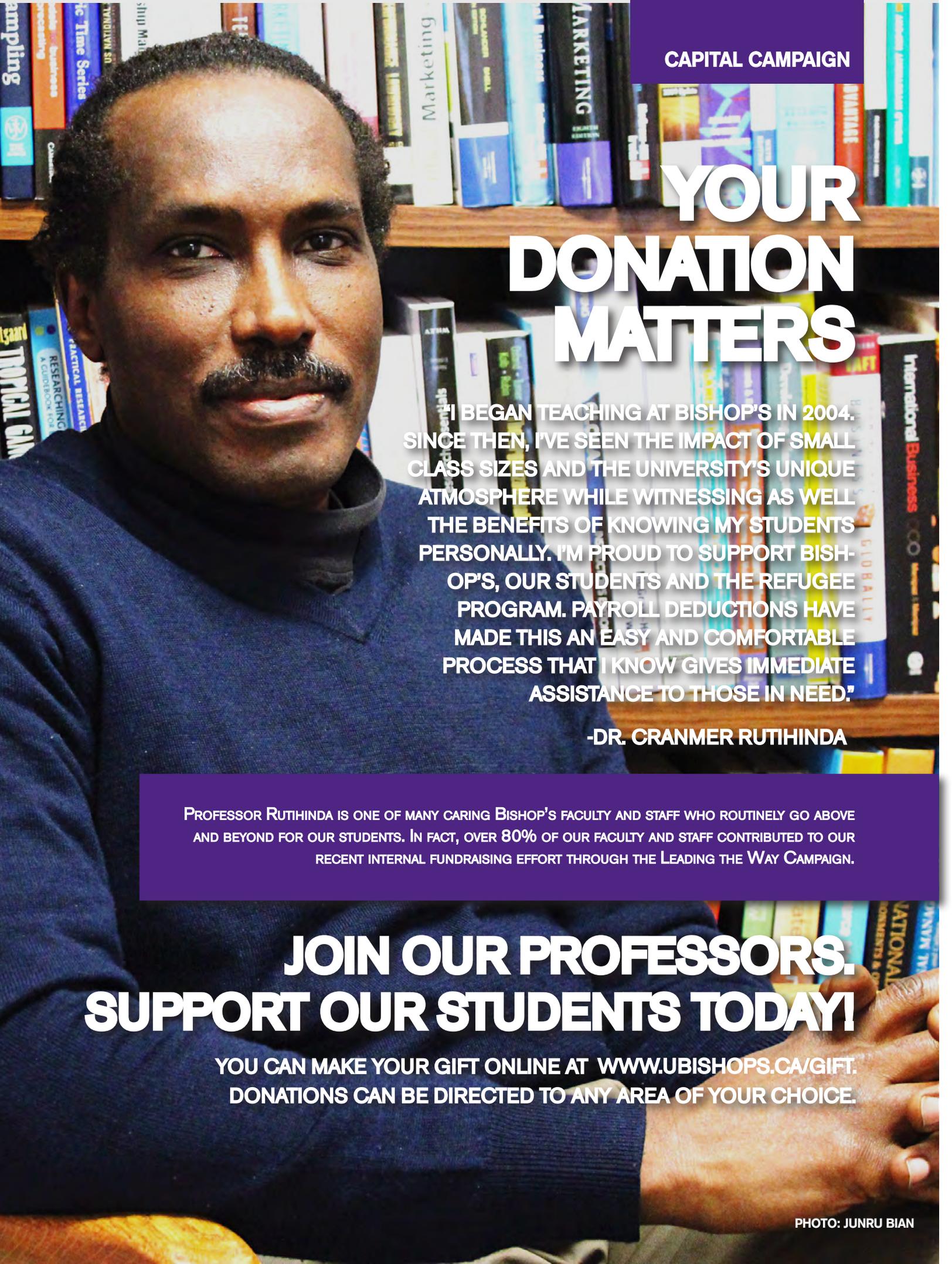
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## THE WORLD IN MICROCOSM

As I settled into my seat in Banded Hall for TEDx Bishop’s (part of our annual “Up For Debate” weekend with our colleagues from Acadia, Mount Allison and St. Francis Xavier universities), I was pleased to see the President of the SRC on the roster of faculty and student speakers.

We often hear the expression the “Bishop’s Bubble”, and in his talk Matt Robinson set out to dispel the notion that the student experience at Bishop’s is detached from the real world.

In an eloquent fifteen-minute lecture, he rejected the premise that lessons learned and experiences gained at Bishop’s are inapplicable to life beyond the Quad.

Matt cited his work as SRC President, service on the Board of Governors, and internship with the United Nations in Geneva (supported by Bishop’s B.E.S.T. fund) as evidence that, rather than sheltering him from the world at large, his time at Bishop’s had broadened his horizons and given him invaluable practical experiences.

As with all of our students, Matt will step into the world beyond Bishop’s with the benefit of a sound liberal education. He will leave here with the ability to think critically, to communicate effectively, to draw on the knowledge of multiple academic disciplines and to work with people from different backgrounds and with different skills to achieve a common goal.

As the pace of change and disruption have accelerated, it has become increasingly clear that a multi-disciplinary education is the best preparation for success in an increasingly complex

world. Our drama students develop an instinctive understanding of narrative, critical for a role in business development, politics or the law. Our science students develop expertise in their fields, but they also learn to work in small teams with students from a variety of disciplines. Our history professors help students absorb the lessons of the past which may be critical for a journalist seeking context.

Matt Robinson is correct. Bishop’s is not divorced from the real world. Instead, it presents our students with many of the same types of social, intellectual and economic issues and challenges they will confront throughout their lives. It is the world in microcosm, where students strive alone and together to explore ideas and to solve problems in an environment that encourages curiosity, independent thought and risk taking.

(Speaking of risk taking, it was great to see Matt singing and dancing in the University Singers’ spring concert.)

At its best, Bishop’s is the respectful, diverse, engaged, idealistic and dynamic community we would like the world to emulate. And we all take pride in helping prepare our students to lead interesting and productive lives.

So to you, our Bishop’s graduates around the world – I would encourage you to watch Matt’s lecture online, at <http://bit.ly/butedxmatt>.

I hope it inspires you to tell Bishop’s story and to act as an ambassador for our unique approach to undergraduate education. Finally, I hope that Matt’s lecture inspires you to continue striving to make the world a little bit more like our university.

- Michael Goldbloom, C.M.

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## LETTERS

**Beatrice (Bill) Deadman BA '50, MA '52** reflects on her Bishop's experience:

"What a unique experience it was to be a student at Bishop's in the late 1940s and early 1950s. Although I came from Quebec City, and not from a faraway place, I was struck by the English culture at Bishop's – it contrasted with my experience of growing up in Quebec. Most of my teachers were Canadian but were strongly influenced by the British educational tradition. I have warm memories of Professor Elton Scott who taught compulsory New Testament to first year students, and of Professor Tony Preston whose lectures in Roman History

provided me with an understanding of the classical world. Then, who of my contemporaries will ever forget Professor Langford's zoology labs. We dissected enormous bullfrogs that had to be pinned together and returned to the barrel of formaldehyde after each class. Then there was the annual hockey game between the Divinity students and the co-eds. I could go on ...

I look back on my student days at Bishop's as a unique experience in liberal education. This tradition seems to have been carried on by successive generations. At each reunion that I have attended, I am reminded of those wonderful years."

**Susan (Savage) Baumann '69** writes:

I noticed in the Fall/Winter Bishop's Magazine an item from W. John Gallop who is described as "a member of a (rare) four-generation Bishop's family." I thought you would like to hear about another one. My great grandfather James Ramsay Montizambert graduated with a BA in 1875 and an MA in 1878, my grandfather Charles Savage with a BA in 1911 and an MA in 1933, my father John David Savage with a BA in 1942 and I, Susan Savage, with a BA in 1969. It was quite a family tradition which seems to have come to an end ... at least for now. I am now retired after a career as a database editor and researcher and live in British Columbia with my husband Murray.

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## CHARITY FASHION SHOW

ON SATURDAY FEBRUARY 13<sup>TH</sup>, LAUREN STRAW '16 AND KYLA WILSON '16 HOSTED THE 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL BISHOP'S CHARITY FASHION SHOW AT CENTENNIAL THEATRE, RAISING A GRAND TOTAL OF \$19,500. THIS CHARITY EVENT IS THE LARGEST STUDENT-RUN FUNDRAISER ON THE CAMPUS AND INVOLVES OVER 100 STUDENT VOLUNTEERS. EVERY YEAR, THE COORDINATORS CAREFULLY SELECT A CHARITY TO RECEIVE THE FUNDS RAISED AND WITH WHICH THEY WOULD LIKE TO WORK CLOSELY. THIS YEAR, STRAW AND WILSON CHOSE A LOCAL ORGANIZATION, AS THEY WANTED TO SUPPORT THEIR COMMUNITY AND BE ABLE TO WITNESS THE IMPACT OF THE DONATION. THIS ORGANIZATION IS A NON-PROFIT REHABILITATION CENTRE FOR PEOPLE SUFFERING FROM CONCURRENT MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, OR DRUG AND ALCOHOL ADDICTIONS. THEIR MISSION IS TO PROVIDE RESOURCES AND ASSIST THEIR RESIDENTS IN FINDING RELIEF FROM THEIR ILLNESSES. THE STAFF MEMBERS ARE EXTREMELY SUPPORTIVE, INSPIRATIONAL AND DEDICATED TO THEIR JOBS, PROVIDING THEIR RESIDENTS WITH THERAPEUTIC PROGRAMS AND ASSISTED THERAPY TO HELP EACH INDIVIDUAL FIND TOOLS TO COPE WITH THEIR DAILY LIVES.









**UP 4  
DEBATE  
WEEKEND**

IN FEBRUARY, BISHOP'S HOSTED THE 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL "UP FOR DEBATE" WEEKEND WITH THE THEME "LIBERAL EDUCATION PREPARES U4 GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP." WE HOSTED MEMBERS OF THE U4 LEAGUE – ACADIA, BISHOP'S, MOUNT ALLISON, AND ST. FRANCIS XAVIER UNIVERSITIES – FOR A SERIES OF EVENTS THAT INCLUDED A STUDENT DEBATE TOURNAMENT, TEDXBISHOPSU, A PANEL ON HUMAN RIGHTS, A PLENARY SPEAKER (DENIS EDNEY, OMAR KHADAR'S LAWYER), A BUSINESS CASE COMPETITION, AND A MODEL UN SIMULATION (THAT INCLUDED OVER 500 DELEGATES FROM ACROSS QUEBEC). TOGETHER WE EXPLORED HOW HIGHER EDUCATION – INSIDE THE CLASSROOM AND BEYOND – FOSTERS SOCIAL JUSTICE, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND ENHANCED UNDERSTANDINGS OF GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP. MEMBERS OF THE U4 LEAGUE BELIEVE THAT HIGHER EDUCATION SHOULD PROVIDE A BALANCED AND COMPREHENSIVE EXPERIENCE THAT CHALLENGES OUR YOUNG PEOPLE AND PREPARES THEM FOR RESPONSIBLE, ETHICAL, AND SUSTAINABLE LEADERSHIP. FURTHERMORE, WE ARE UNITED IN A SHARED VISION THAT PROMOTES SOCIAL JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS FOR ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY. THE WEEKEND WAS SPENT EXPLORING WAYS WE CAN ENHANCE THESE OPPORTUNITIES AT OUR OWN UNIVERSITIES AND SHARE THESE EXPERIENCES WITH MEMBERS OF THE U4 LEAGUE.



## EXPLORING CUBA'S CAVES

BY DR. MATTHEW PEROS

**W**hat can the exploration of subaquatic caves tell us about climate change and the impact of humans on the environment? Quite a bit, actually! Thanks to a research grant from the National Geographic Society's Waitt Foundation, and funding from Bishop's Senate Research Committee, NSERC, and the University of Miami, I have been working with paleontologist Joao Gabriel Martínez López of Cuba's National Museum of Natural History and other collaborators in Canada, Cuba, and the United

States to answer important questions concerning interactions between ancient climate, extinct mammals, prehistoric peoples, and underground freshwater resources. How fast has climate changed in the past? What role did abrupt climate change have in the extinction of certain animals? Could human activities have also played a role?

Answers to these questions are important because they provide a long-term context to help us better understand the nature of current climate change and the role that humans have played in driving it. How unprecedented is its rate? How are ecosystems and people going to respond to it? These are questions that can only be addressed through a long-term, historical perspective, using multiple lines of evidence drawn from the geological, ecological, and

archaeological sciences.

Luckily, the recent discovery by underwater cave divers of the bone remains of at least seven extinct sloths and a human skeleton in a system of underwater caves near Varadero, Cuba, can shed some light on these questions. Underwater caves are a rich and largely untapped source of paleontological and archeological remains. Geological evidence suggests that the remains located by the divers may date to the middle Holocene (5000 years ago) or earlier. Our research – which involves the dating and isotopic analysis of the bones, along with the micropaleontological analysis of the cave sediments—will help us better understand the nature of prehistoric extinctions and the degree to which humans or climate change caused them. In addition, our sediment

analysis research, which will focus on reconstructing the flooding history of the caves, will provide information on how underground freshwater resources may be impacted by climate change in the future.

From a paleontological perspective, this research project will help determine whether the sloth and human remains were present in the cave at the same time, which could tell us a great deal about the relationship (if any) between early humans and now-extinct mammals in the Caribbean. Archaeologically, the work that is being done in these caves will highlight the broad range of environments that early humans used, and will help shed light on the use of caves by the prehistoric peoples of this region. Finally, by analyzing some of the bone and teeth remains, we will be able to improve our understanding of ancient diet, health, and demography. The clues contained in the fossils and physical and chemical indicators present in the cave's sediments can teach us a great deal about the past, and allow us to place the environmental changes that have been observed over the last half century into a long-term context. This will improve our understanding of the relative importance of human activities and natural causes in driving climate change.

This research collaboration between Bishop's University, Cuba's National Museum of Natural History, the University of Miami, and other partners will allow students in all these countries to gain invaluable scientific experience and will help facilitate new scientific collaborations between Canada and Cuba.

*Matthew Peros is a geoarcheologist and associate professor at Bishop's with 14 years of experience working on geological and archeological projects in Cuba. His specific technical expertise is in the area of paleoecology, and he has published numerous papers on this topic.*



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## HELPING BUILD A BETTER BEE-U

BY RACHEL NEWCOMBE

**T**he Bishop's University campus is abuzz – at least it will be in the spring. As the organizer behind the project chosen through the Build a Better Purple campaign, second-year student Chloé Soucy plans to bring two beehives to the school. Dubbed Bishop's Bees, it is one of two projects that have benefited from the spirited campaign in the 2015-2016 year.

With the introduction of the hives comes an endless possibility for school involvement. Soucy hopes to incorporate the hives into the environmental club so they become a long-term, sustained project. There is also the opportunity to reap some tangible reward in the form of rich, golden honey.

"It's a massive learning curve," says English-major Soucy about learning the ins and outs of beekeeping, who has been getting help from Bishop's alum and beekeeper Nick Melka. The establishment of a hive involves feeding the bees sugar

water while they build up the wax in their hives. Once the wax is built they will be able to start producing honey, and slowly become self-sustaining. The hives will be a long-term project, something the Build a Better Purple campaign was made for.

The Build a Better Purple campaign, or BABP, is an annual fundraising initiative coordinated by the graduating class to 'give a little purple back'. Projects eligible to apply for funding can come from any student in any academic year; the only criterion a submitted project has to meet is that it benefits the community in some way. Each project is unique to Bishop's, from conception to implementation and have taken on many forms in the past, including the reestablishment of the University's radio station (Toast Radio) and the start-up of an on-campus recording studio.

There are two stages to the Build a Better Purple campaign. The first stage begins in February when volunteers from all academic years begin to work tirelessly to promote BABP and

organize events to garner donations. The campaign fund is primarily built by the graduating class although students from all years of study participate. Some donations come from events like the Rubber Ducky Golf Tournament, a new tradition in the Bishop's community. The majority of donations are made during Convocation weekend, when graduates and their families are all gathered together to celebrate the end of their Bishop's journey. Students who have donated to BABP are given a purple ribbon for their robes to symbolize their dedication to the continuing success of BU.

**“EACH PROJECT IS UNIQUE TO BISHOP’S, FROM CONCEPTION TO IMPLEMENTATION. THEY ARE CREATED BY, VOTED ON AND MAINTAINED BY STUDENTS.”**

The second phase involves the newly-graduated donors voting on the project ideas that have been submitted. This allows them to direct their gifts as they wish based on what it will do for the Bishop's community. This means that the number and variety of projects is endless. More choices mean more opportunities for Bishop's, its students, and its alumni.

The goal of Build a Better Purple is to allow graduating Bishop's students to leave a legacy behind that will continue to be a part of the quintessential experience of being a Gaiter. It encourages alumni to stay engaged with what is going on back in Lennoxville. Contributing and being a part of Build a Better Purple means channeling passion for our school and continuing to be a part of the Bishop's community. Once a Gaiter, always a Gaiter.

## DOING OUR PART: THE BISHOP'S STUDENT REFUGEE PROJECT



BY PHIL RICH

For almost 25 years, Heather Thomson has been one of the driving forces behind the Bishop's/Champlain Refugee Student Project. Every year since its inception in 1992, Bishop's, in partnership with Canada's Student Refugee Program (SRP), has opened its doors to at least one student from places where the opportunities we often take for granted – like advancing one's education in a safe and comfortable environment – are rare.

So in September 2015, when Thomson, who is also the campus minister for Bishop's and Champlain, was contacted by Principal Michael Goldbloom about the possibility of Bishop's University and Champlain College accepting additional refugee students in light of the ongoing refugee crisis in the Middle East, she did not hesitate to respond with a resounding “yes.”

“I replied that of course we can take on more students,” Thomson said. “As

long as we had the resources for it then we were more than willing.” However the project had already agreed to accept refugee students from elsewhere. “Initially we hoped to get two students, but we were able to get one for now with another hopefully on the way this year.”

The Bishop's Student-Refugee Project has come a long way since it accepted its first refugees in 1992, welcoming over 40 students from a wide variety of countries, including Malawi, Kenya, Burundi, Thailand, and the Middle East. The project itself is coordinated through a core sponsorship committee whose mandate is to integrate the refugee students into campus life, and to provide an educational component. The committee also relies on a dedicated support community of roughly 25 people, largely comprised of school administrative staff, but also professors and students who are there for support in any way needed. The majority of the program's money comes from fundraising efforts on the part of the committee, but other Bishop's school



clubs have made the program the focus of their charity events.

Bishop's as an institution has also played a crucial role in the process. The school waives tuition, residence, and insurance fees for two or three semesters while the sponsorship committee covers general costs for students in their first year, including a cell phone, laptop, clothing, and a weekly allowance. In addition, Principal Goldbloom has been a strong advocate of the program, and the program has benefited greatly from his support.

But perhaps more importantly, being a part of the program has been an insightful and rewarding learning experience for the Bishop's community at large. Students, staff, and professors are afforded the opportunity to interact with students whose path to Bishop's has been vastly different from their own. It's an opportunity to explore diverse cultures, understand new paradigms, approach problems from

a new perspective and ultimately enrich the educational experience by involving and accepting unique world views. And being able to work closely with refugee students has allowed those involved, and the student body in general, to have a better understanding of the refugee process at a time when the rhetoric around refugees has never been more complex. "There is a lot of ignorance about refugees in our society," Thomson pointed out, "and I have been personally enriched by being involved."

The vast majority of students in the program eventually graduate, and Thomson and other members of the sponsorship committee continue to keep in touch with the students who move on after their time at Bishop's. Many students go on to pursue graduate studies at bigger schools in bigger cities, which can seem daunting at first. But the dependable support network that the Bishop's community offers can be

accommodating not just now, but also in the future.

In the end the program is an enriching process for both refugee students and the Bishop's community alike, ultimately allowing for a unique learning experience that reaches far beyond the classroom. It has enlightened students and staff, and given many students, who may not have been able to receive a university education, the chance to succeed.

*Bishop's Student Refugee Program works in conjunction with the World University Service of Canada's Student Refugee Program (SRP) to accept refugee students from around the globe. Through local campus committees, the SRP has facilitated the settlement of an estimated 1500 refugee students across 87 campuses in Canada since its inception in 1978. To find out how you can help, contact Rob Burns at [rburns@ubishops.ca](mailto:rburns@ubishops.ca)*



## THE NBA AT BU

BY MARTIN ROURKE

Every once in a while you experience a ‘WOW’ moment. For Carter Mooney, age 10 (son of Evan Mooney ’01 and Jennifer Pryce), that moment was the weekend of January 29-30 as the NBA touched down at Bishop’s.

Earlier in the week Carter had applied to be the BMO Jr. Reporter for the event. When his essay about what basketball meant to him was chosen as the winning

submission, a big smile overtook his face. It was a smile that would last all weekend long, and beyond.

Carter earned unprecedented behind-the-scenes access to the event that included hanging out with NBA Hall of Famer Dikembe Mutombo. The two first met in a private green room with the cameras rolling and Mutombo engulfed Carter’s hand when he shook it. Later in the evening Carter, arm completely extended, interviewed Mutombo, and his smile continued to grow.

The fun didn’t stop there: during the all-star skills challenge in the afternoon,

Carter sat by Mutombo and served as an official judge of the dunk competition. “It was an awesome weekend,” said Carter. “The best part was getting to meet Dikembe.”

Festivities were capped off at night as the Gaiters hosted McGill. Mitchell Gym felt more like an intimate version of the Air Canada Centre as MC and dunker extraordinaire AirDog pumped up the crowd and gave away prize after prize.

It was a weekend that will not soon be forgotten by anyone in attendance, especially by one future Gaiter – or maybe even future NBA all-star?

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# **YOUR DONATION MATTERS**

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**-NICK HARVEY, BBA '19**

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# IDEAS

## THE FUTURE OF FOOD/ERIC BERGERON '99

**C**anada has a food security problem. We have created a food system that is broken from the ground up. Although most of us eat well every day, and have plentiful access to food, we are very much living in a food insecure environment that could collapse very quickly.

The current system relies on food grown in far-away regions like California, Arizona, Mexico, or South America that must travel thousands of kilometers using trucks, planes and boats to reach our plates.

We think nothing of the actual cost of transport, the carbon from food miles, the less-than-living wages most harvesters of our food earn, or the amount of water and natural resources needed to feed us. And yet, the effects of climate change on these environments where our food is grown are the harshest of all. We have built this house of cards with our own habits and it will take all of us - entrepreneurs, food companies, innovators, researchers, governments and food consumers - to see real change in our system.

I often hear the term 'food security' used to describe only the North of Canada. While it is true that the cost of food in Nunavut is astronomical – food security to me is an issue for the entire planet.

As co-founder of Smart Greens, a food production company that uses a container farm to grow lettuce and kale in my hometown of Cornwall, Ontario, I have seen firsthand the need and desire for innovation in our global food system.

I started Smart Greens and a second company, Modular Farms, because I really feel like the system is broken and there is opportunity in fixing it right now. How? Simple – by doing two things: growing food locally and creating the technology to do it.

The problem, of course, is much more complex to solve than simply growing food in a container farm and working on better LED lights. The problem is that in Canada, it is almost impossible to grow all of the food we need to sustain 35 million people living in the cold climate that it is AND that our current food distribution model needs to fundamentally change.

But what can be done to fix this? By eating food that is grown indoors and locally we are contributing to living wages for local farmers, to a reduction in food miles (greenhouse gases) and are reducing the resources needed to grow food. Indoor hydroponic systems use less than 3% of the water needed to grow food outdoors, much less energy, and almost entirely eliminate the need for food miles while providing a healthy, pesticide-free nutrient-filled plant and a boost to the

local economy. The months of the year when you CAN grow food locally – support the local farmer down the street and buy their food.

We are a long way away from solving our food security problem. Lettuce and kale certainly do not qualify as enough variety or calorie intake to help us reach food independence – but it's a start. Companies like Smart Greens & Modular Farms, Lufa Farms in Montreal, Suntech Greenhouses in Ottawa, Bright Agrotech in Wyoming, and Gotham Greens in New York are pushing the technology out there so that eventually we can grow the food necessary AND are disrupting the broken distribution model.

Ultimately though it comes down to all of us; the food consumers. We need to insist on food being grown locally and support the companies that can do it. Ten years from now, climate change and the unpredictability of the weather will cause havoc on global food production – as will a growing population and the price of oil. California is already seeing the stresses of supplying food to the masses through the draining of its watershed and we are starting to see that affect our food prices. The same can be said for countless other areas of earth where our food is grown. Food costs will rise as a result and food insecurity will become a major issue in the coming years.

Each day when we buy food grown in regions such as California, we are supporting the misuse of resources and making the problem worse.

The future of food is that what can be grown in a controlled environment, will be grown in a controlled environment. This isn't some robotic, dystopian future from a science-fiction novel either – it's already happening today, in a parking lot in Cornwall, Ontario, and rooftops and greenhouses across the planet.

Food security is something that should matter to all of us. If it doesn't affect you now, it will in the very near future – unless of course you don't like to eat.

*Eric Bergeron graduated in 1999 with a degree in Geography and served as SRC President in his final year. In 2014 he co-founded Smart Greens, Canada's first shipping container food production company, and last year he co-founded Modular Farms, a food technology company building modular container farms that can grow food in any climate. Eric is married to Allison St Louis, a former Bishop's student, and is the father of two girls and a rescued dog.*

# IDEAS

## THE FUTURE OF WORK/JAIME BISHARA '10

It's Friday evening and I've just finished my work week in an airy Buenos Aires cafe. I'm off to Spanish class followed by a comically late Argentine dinner. Tomorrow, I move to Montevideo, Uruguay. Come Monday morning, I'll be back in "the office" without skipping a beat.

### The Rise of the Digital Workforce

I am travelling this year with Remote Year, a program which enables professionals to live and work in 12 countries over the course of 12 months. Neither an employment-provider nor a travel agency, the startup works by uniting a like-minded group of professionals and providing the necessary logistics to do their jobs remotely.

In its infancy, Remote Year received 25,000 applications for the inaugural trip. That number has grown to over 100,000 applications and another five programs have launched in the first two quarters of 2016 alone.

Remote Year isn't unique in its concept of promoting work and travel. There's no shortage of programs and websites out there each catering to a slightly different niche. Some younger organizations have built companies taking a remote-first approach with a distributed workforce from day one – Buffer and Automattic are great examples of this.

Remote work is huge. And it's not just the software engineer or solopreneur types who have traditionally been associated with a 'nomadic' lifestyle. While tech-based gigs such as designers or developers still dominate the space, Remote Year features a buffet of expertise, including journalists, financial analysts, sales professionals, and even a seasoned lawyer.

### The Great Enabler? Technology

Thanks to the rise in quality high-speed wifi, the ability to work on mobile devices and the abundance of communications tools available, it's never been easier to take work on the road.

We can also attribute technology and ubiquitous connectivity to the ease with which one can adapt to new countries. Looking for a short-term apartment rental? Try Airbnb. Can't speak the same language as a taxi driver? Enter the address into Uber. Need help translating a menu? There's an app for that.

### Demand for a Flexible Lifestyle

As the millennial generation inches towards becoming the workforce majority, traditional work environments are being challenged. Millennials crave autonomy, freedom and ownership. Empowering employees to work from anywhere is one way to cater to this desire.

According to Adam Kingl, Director of Learning Solutions at the London Business School, flexibility "is the number one

reason millennials are attracted to a workplace." He explains, "As younger workers are fully aware that you can email or call someone from anywhere, the idea of working differently becomes a criterion that people are expressly looking for before they'll sign on the dotted line."

Kingl also touched on the significance of the oldest of the digital natives now entering their thirties and progressing into management. They "are starting to be the architects of workplace culture."

### Adapting for the Future

As reported in Fast Company, a 2015 survey of business leaders at the Global Leadership Summit in London found that 34% said more than half their company's full-time workforce would be working remotely by 2020. A full 25% said more than three-quarters would not work in a traditional office by 2020.

2020 is four years from now.

An employer, hiring manager or anyone looking to build teams and retain talent must consider whether their next hire will value flexibility over a title change or pay increase.

Those entering the workforce who may be considering the opportunity of remote work should keep in mind this requires a digitally focused skillset, a proactive communication style, and a healthy dose of self-motivation.

The specifics on implementing remote work and resulting benefits will depend on the industry and organization. Companies can capitalize on an increase in productivity and creativity from happier employees.

As this culture becomes more prominent, remote work provides one opportunity both companies and employees should be able to take advantage of universally: talent is no longer tied to geography.

This year has afforded me the opportunity to watch sunsets in Istanbul, work slopeside in Japan and swim on my lunchbreak in Croatia while still building my career. But that's not to say it's the only way.

Remote work can range from bringing your laptop to your local Starbucks, or in my case, working from three continents over the course of a year. The rules are still being written. Regardless of the format, I can attest to the fact that remote work, works.

*Born and raised in Halifax, Jaime Bishara graduated from Bishop's in 2010. After four years working at The Globe & Mail, she now works for Format, and travels the world with Remote Year.*



# BABES BOARDROOM

BY RONAN O'BEIRNE

If you told Courtney Lee Yip '08, 15 years ago, that she would be the co-founder of a networking event series in Toronto, she probably would have laughed at you.

“Before Bishop’s, I was a super-shy, nerdy girl who would literally read fantasy novels under the steps during recess,” says Yip. So she can empathize with creative types who are highly skilled, but aren’t natural social creatures – not the kind to easily ask for help, or go to a bar and chat with other young professionals. But she says those people need to make those connections, and she learned that at Bishop’s.

“You can know all the gear and be up-to-date on all the latest tech, but that doesn’t mean you’re going to be as good a business person as someone who is great at talking to people, at making connections, at being social. I think networking – not just on Twitter or



Instagram, but being with people, talking to them, shaking their hands – is the key to success.”

So three years ago, Courtney co-founded Babes Boardroom, an “inclusive group of women and men with the simple goal of excelling in their careers.” It’s equal parts networking, support group and lecture series, and it’s tapping into the power of something that’s all too easy to avoid in 2016: being in the room.

Yip knows the importance of personal connections from her own experience. When she decided to strike out on her own a few years ago, as the owner of Courtney Lee Photography (she studied film and photography at BU), she regularly found the right person at the right time through her personal networks. The first one was Camille Byrne, the roommate of her writing partner when she was working for a blog called Pink Mafia.

Byrne was starting her career as an interior designer, and Courtney had

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established herself as a photographer in Toronto’s music scene (“I literally would just sneak into venues and take pictures, whether I was allowed to or not,” she recalls). The two wanted to work out of a place that wasn’t their respective homes or a coffee shop, so they rented a cheap office in Parkdale and almost immediately began to question their life choices.

“That year was awesome and crazy... just a roller-coaster ride. We hit so many

roadblocks; every other week, we would ask, ‘What are we doing with our lives?’ because we’d just put all our life savings into these crazy ideas. But then, no matter what, we would always help each other; maybe we knew someone that would be able to help us with a certain issue, whether it was tax season, or design and marketing help.

“Eventually we thought, ‘If we can meet these people over a cup of coffee and they can help us out, imagine what would happen if we got all these talented, brilliant minds in a room together.’” So: Babes Boardroom.

Who’s a babe? Among other criteria on their website, “You are a babe IF: you are curious; you want to explore new job opportunities; you have skills to learn; you are selfless with your knowledge; you enjoy meeting new people; and you need to work on your social skills.”

As Yip describes it, the first event was an informal chat with about 35-40



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people she and Byrne knew through their networks. They didn't have a speaker, "but we went around the room and talked about what we would want Babes Boardroom to be and where we would want it to go." She says that more than a few of the people who were in the room for the first event in 2013 have kept coming back and stayed involved with the group: 10 of them have hosted an event,

recommended a speaker or brought new people to the group.

The topics have run the gamut, but they're all a perfect fit for people who fit the bill as Babes: young professionals looking to succeed. One event featured a speaker on intellectual property and basic law (and was held at a popular Toronto poutine place – true to form for a Bishop's grad). Others have covered "All About

Taxes" (featuring fellow BU grad Ryan Hughes '07) and how to craft a 10-year plan. They're not all easy or comfortable things to do or talk about, but Yip says that's part of the appeal. "The action of going out to this meeting, where you're not going to something that's your safest environment, is the thrill most members get by attending." What's safe about the environment, though, is the people. Yip describes it as an almost Bishop's-style gathering, "more like a BBQ than a panel where you have to wear a nametag."

Three years in, it's time to go international. Courtney recently moved to San Diego, but rather than making things hard for Babes Boardroom, the move has opened up the chance to take it international. They haven't worked out the details yet, but a SoCal chapter will be launching very soon.

Getting ready to launch the new chapter, Courtney says Babes Boardroom has seen some incredible things happen: "People have turned ideas and part-time coffee shop scribblings into fully flourishing businesses." She's seen some evolution of her own; she's getting ready to relaunch Courtney Yip Photography as a full-service branding agency. She jokes that she works with people who, "even if they didn't go to Bishop's, I could picture them attending Bishop's. That doesn't exclude big business, big corporations, people in finance; it's all about the idea that even if you do have a background somewhere else, you can still have a creative need."

But Babes Boardroom will remain her passion project.

"We didn't start Babes Boardroom to make lots of money or to have a monopoly. It's all about spreading the word of the power of connection. It's amazing what you can get if you ask for it, and I think that no matter what field you're in or where you are in life, it's so rewarding when you realize that."

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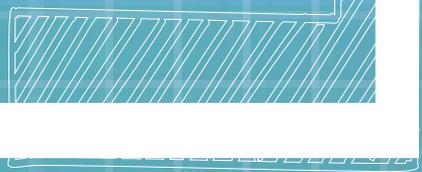
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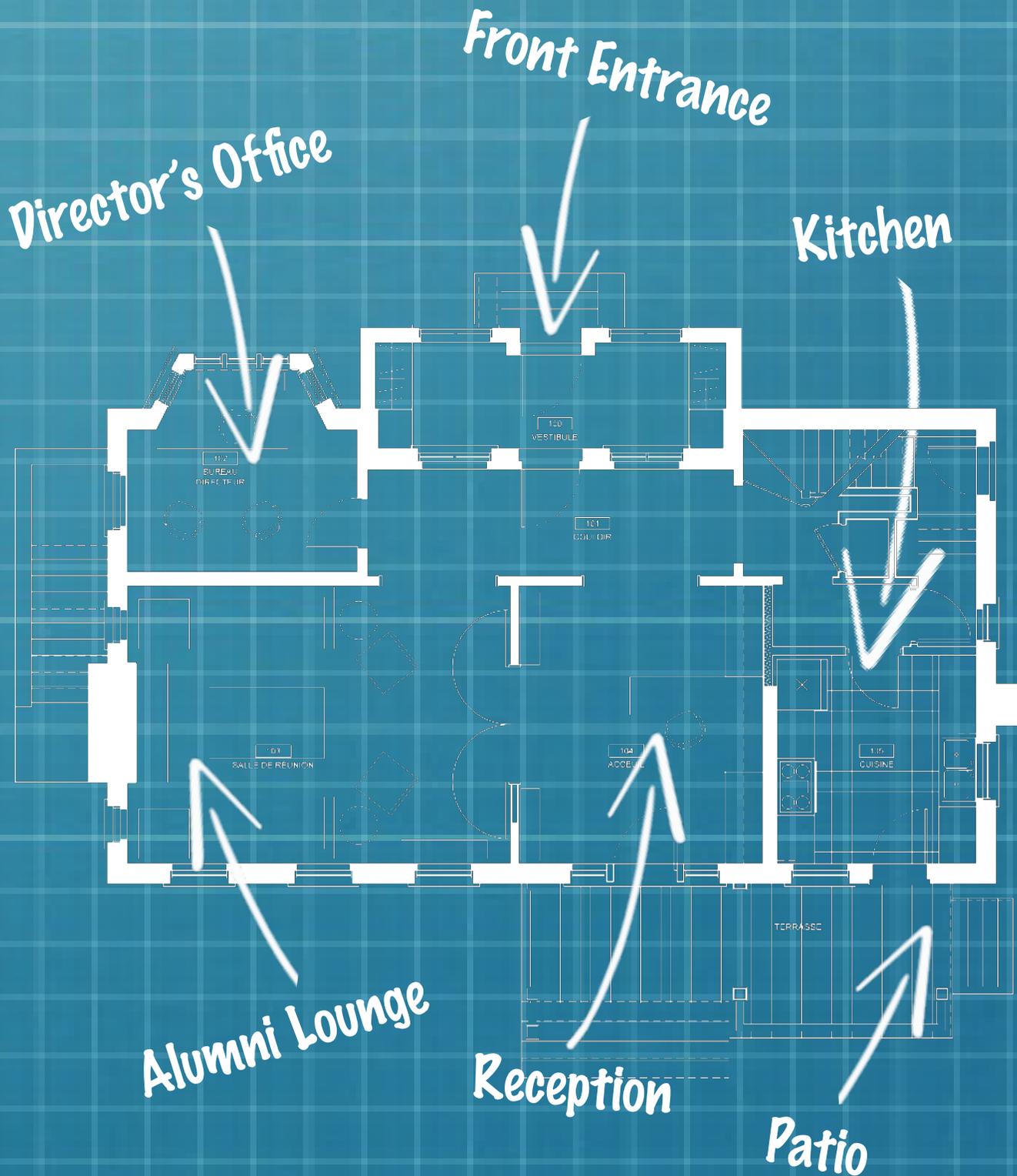


# THE HOUSE ALUMNI BUILT

The Renovation of an On-Campus House  
Means a New Home-Away-From-Home for  
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# GRAND OPENING: HOMECOMING 2016



# ABOUT ALUMNI HOUSE

Fellow Gaiters,

I am excited to announce and share with you the plans for our new on-campus Alumni House!

Bishop's is fortunate to have a large number of exceptionally loyal alumni who like to return to campus and we've long wanted to establish a venue that alumni can visit and call home when they do. Located on Harrold Drive (just across from Champlain and the Student Union Building) and opening its doors just in time for Homecoming 2016 (September 22-25), Alumni House will be that space – your space – your home-away-from-home.

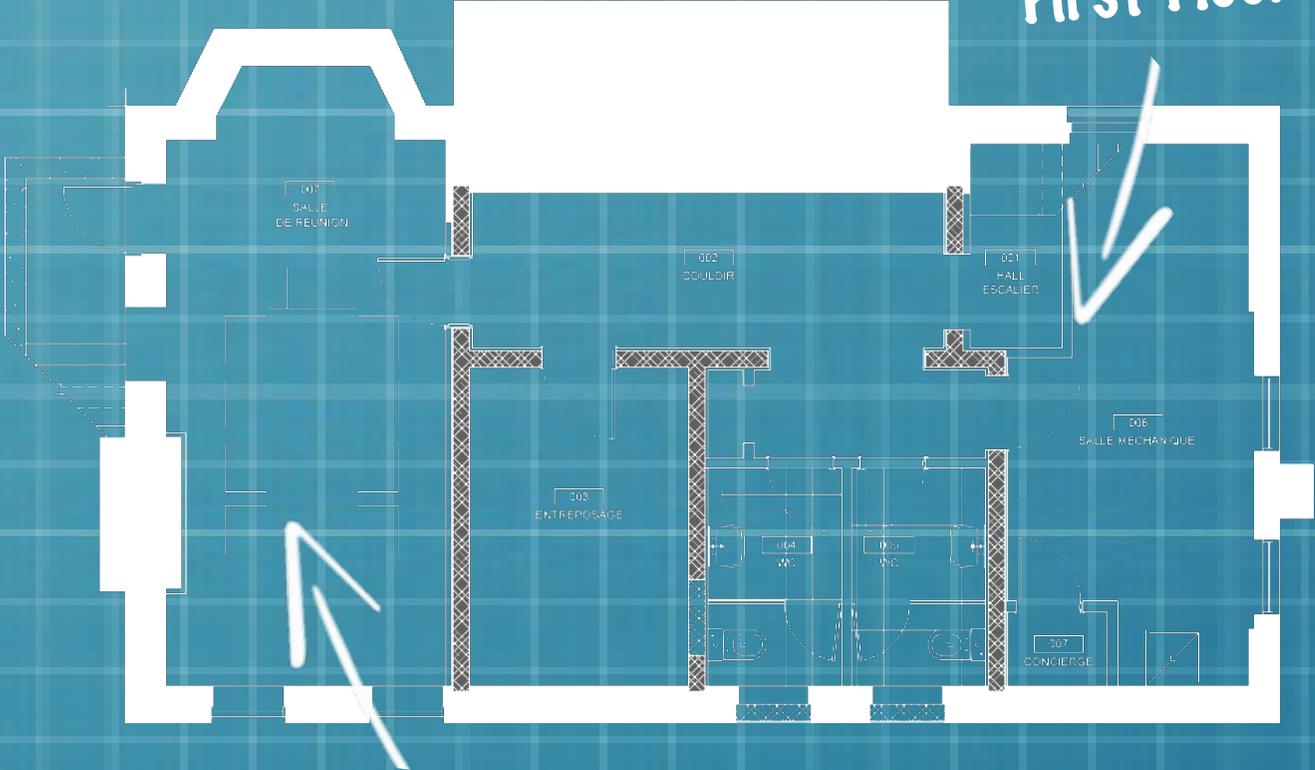
Spread over three floors, Alumni House will have a range of offerings for returning grads: a lounge to relax in, a multimedia conference room to work from, kitchen facilities, and a spacious outdoor area for receptions, BBQs and a host of other events. The Advancement Office will also be moving our offices into the upstairs, so alumni can catch up with us whenever they return.

The new Alumni House has been made possible by donations designated specifically for this project. I would like to highlight and thank alumnus Bob Goldberger '79 for his lead gift.

Our Capital Campaign is going well and this initiative is just one example of the opportunities enabled by philanthropic support. The new Alumni House will help foster a tradition of lifelong outreach and engagement for our entire community and create a space that will recognize the history of and promote pride in Bishop's. I look forward to inviting you to the inauguration of the new Alumni House during Fall Homecoming 2016.

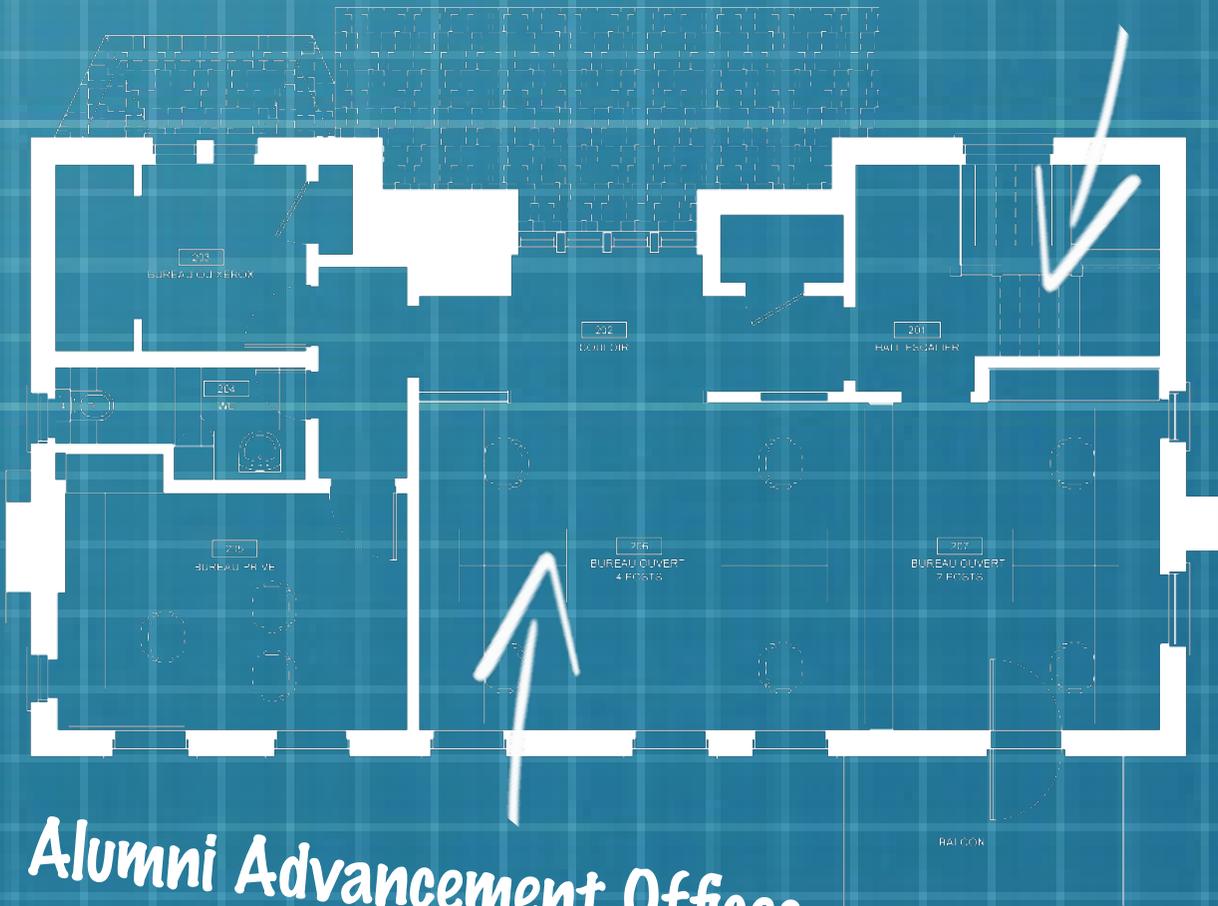
- Matt McBrine, Director, Alumni Relations and Development

# First Floor



# Multimedia Conference Room

# Third Floor



# Alumni Advancement Offices

# LAWN SUMMER NIGHTS

Q&A WITH MARK HEYSTEE '07

BY JAMES JARVIS '10

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A lot has been said about the nature of fundraising in the age of social media. It seems that for every person who doused themselves with ice water in the name of ALS awareness there was another who argued that such public self-aggrandizement was no more than the charitable equivalent of a gym-selfie: ostensibly productive behaviour inspired more by the desire to appear charitable than



actual charity. Such detractors of Instagram/Facebook inspired donations seem to opine for a lost time when hardworking pre-millennials donated money to charities and did so without having to break the internet with the news of their good deed. To such naysayers I have a few questions. First, are you sure that the good old days of selfless charity ever really existed? If charity wasn't the early 20<sup>th</sup> century version of flexing, might

Mr. Carnegie have named his hall something else? Second, did you hear the part about the Ice Bucket Challenge raising over 100 million dollars? Do you think a researcher can tell the difference between a dollar donated anonymously and a dollar donated by someone whose donation appeared on Instagram before it was even made? Lastly, does a charitable activity not count if the fundraisers are having too much fun while doing it?

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**F**or the past five years Bishop's grad Mark Heystee '07 has been working on an event that proves having fun for a good cause is not only an effective way to fundraise but can also be a hugely enriching experience.

Mark is, by nature, the sort of guy who has an infectious ability to create fun regardless of the circumstances. The kind of guy who, as a student, would bring everything he had to Bishop's events that ranged from the charitable and awesome (rec-league hockey turned breast cancer fundraising event 'A Tribute to Hockey Moms') to the distinguished-sounding but mostly ridiculous (Bishop's Softball Classic, a bi-annual pickup softball game originally founded in order to determine which of two Bishop's students would get the bigger room in their second-year household). Unsurprisingly, Heystee has maintained his committed enthusiasm to the potential healing power of a fun and costume-themed event and channeled it into the work he has done for a charity event that doubles as the place to be on Thursday in seven cities across the country.

As treasurer of Lawn Summer Nights – an

annual lawn bowling tournament founded in Vancouver and currently running across Canada that, since its inception in 2009, has raised over \$1,000,000 for cystic fibrosis research – Mark has helped organize an event where significant funds and awareness are raised, all while participants are forced to have drinks and lawn bowl with friends on a beautiful evening in July. [I caught up with Mark in what he was shocked to discover was a dry January and chatted with him about Lawn Summer Nights.]

**James: Tell me a little about the event.**

Mark: It's a lawn bowling tournament where teams of four compete on the four Thursdays in July. Teams compete against each other every week and on the final Thursday the scores of the previous three are tabulated and there's a full elimination bracket where the winner is decided.

**J: So, how did Lawn Summer Nights get started?**

M: It started in Vancouver seven years ago. A small group of friends put together this lawn bowling night to raise money for cystic fibrosis which was an illness their friend Eva Markvoort had grown up with. The event just got all this traction. People just had an amazing time and decided they needed to do it again the next year. They raised something like \$10,000 the first year.

They raised double that the next year and realized they were really onto something. They did it a third year in Vancouver and the event quickly sold out and brought in close to \$40,000. The event became "where to be" on a Thursday night and they realized they could expand it to other cities. The next year they had one in Toronto. Now we're in seven cities (Vancouver, Toronto, Victoria, Ottawa, London, Halifax and Calgary) and we're expanding to Montreal, Stratford and Edmonton this year.

**J: Are you working with any Bishop's alum?**

M: Not the guys who've founded it but Carrie Kennedy '07 is the co-lead for LSNs in Ottawa and Serena Trifiro '08 will be helping us get started in Montreal. The president and CEO of Cystic Fibrosis Canada, Norma Beauchamp, is also a BU grad. So, there's Bishop's fingerprints all over the event.

**J: This feels very much like a Bishop's event. Do you ever get that sense?**

M: Totally. It's very much a small school event where you might not know everyone the first week but by the fourth week you feel like you've gotten to know a new group of people. At LSN you start with your small team, you meet a bunch of people, you're having drinks after the game so by the end of the event you not only have met a bunch of people but you

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feel as though you've had a chance to get to know them. Kind of hilariously, three of my buddies have met their current girlfriends at the event.

**J: Do you think that the social element and the relationships people create during LSN has contributed to the event's continued success?**

M: Definitely. But, having the event take place over four weeks as opposed to a one-day event like a 10K or walk is that there is also an opportunity to educate the participants on the cause we're raising money for. We have people who come out and speak who have cystic fibrosis. We have people who have had family members suffer from the disease speak about their experiences and I think these are the stories that really hit home for people who had otherwise never been exposed to it. I can speak to this experience. I got involved in the event not really knowing anything about cystic fibrosis or having any real connection to the disease but what the event has taught me about what we're raising money for is a huge part of what has kept me working on the event for almost five years. And, I think that that's been a huge accomplishment of LSN. You can see in how the donations increase throughout the month. People who may have only joined because it's a fun event

but they end up becoming hugely productive fundraisers because what they have learned over the four weeks has brought them so much closer to the cause.

**J: How did you end up working on Lawn Summer Nights? Did you organize anything like this back at Bishop's?**

M: (Laughs) No. No lawn bowling events that I can recall back at Bishop's.

**J: Seems like a real missed opportunity.**

M: Lawn bowling tournies are a little tougher in those winter months. Actually, I had hosted a lawn bowling event for a bunch of friends in high school. I told a friend of mine about it and she attended one year and ended up moving out west and meeting the guys who founded LSN and she told them about me when they were looking to start the event up in Toronto.

**J: And, that's how you got involved? Because you came with lawn bowling tournament organizing experience?**

M: Yeah! And, mine wasn't even that organized. More, "here's a bunch of wine. Let's go for it."

**J: Awesome to see an event like this be embraced by Toronto. I have friends who are musicians and restaurant owners and from what hear from them Torontonians are pretty flaky socialites and it can be very difficult to get people to events when**

**you want to.**

M: Totally. But, it was just one of those things where it piqued everyone's interest enough that people didn't flake. People showed up. I think some of it has to do with it being a summer Thursday night in July. So, it has that going for it but what really drew people is that the event was totally unique. Going to the bar on a Thursday is fun but can get played out. LSN brought a totally new scene and I think people become really invested in events that encourage them to try something new. That was the one big thing I heard out of Ottawa. People were in house leagues and it was volleyball on Monday, softball on Tuesday, etc., etc. and when this showed up it was a totally different thing than what was on offer and word gets around quick.

**J: How have you been able to maintain the grassroots feel of the event as it's become more successful? Because, I feel there's a risk of losing a lot of the appeal if the event became too corporate or contrived.**

M: The idea is you want to keep the community. You want to always maintain the spirit that created the event in the first place. The dollars are getting bigger and bigger every year and obviously that's the end goal but we still want to maintain the

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same spirit that the event started with.

**J: Are there any examples of decisions you had to make in order not to compromise the spirit of the event as you see it?**

M: There have been times when sponsors have reached out and told us they want to get involved and we've had to tell them it doesn't really fit. Say a company like Red Bull reaches out and says they want to sponsor you and give you a bunch of product we have to consider how that impacts what we're trying to create and in the end what we're trying to accomplish. In some cases a short-term gain like this might actually have a negative impact on the event as a whole. A lot of it is just making sure that the people putting on

the event in each of the different cities understand the values that have shaped it. The key pillars are in equal parts everyone involved need to have fun, fundraise and educate. If we can do that in every city we put this on then we've succeeded.

I've been out to see the Vancouver event, the Ottawa event and the Toronto event and it's really weird to see how – though each one has a distinct feel – how similar they all are. It's pretty cool going out there assuming it's going to be totally different and it ends up being the same vibe despite it being in a completely different city largely organized by a group of people you've never met organizing an event they've never been to. People just seem to get it.

**J: Did you have to do much marketing?**

M: I would say the event sold out based on reputation rather than marketing. People vouched for it and I think that always carries a lot more weight than anything else you can do.

**J: Seems very Bish-appropriate that this event would take place on a Thursday. That school certainly taught me a lot about the cultural significance of a Thursday evening.**

M: Definitely. Four years at Bishop's and nearly five at Lawn Summer Nights has definitely taught me that you can accomplish a lot on a Thursday night; it's just that it often comes at the expense of you being able to accomplish anything at all on a Friday morning!

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## BUILDING ON A BISHOP'S DEGREE

BY ALLISON VERVILLE '14

**A**s a recent graduate, I can still remember repeatedly hearing the question, "What are you going to do next?" leading up to my convocation and cringing at the sound of it. Not because I didn't feel prepared or excited about what lay ahead, but because there was no right answer to this question. Should I be going right back to school? Should I be travelling? Should I be jumping right into a career? Throughout our time as students, we're tasked with researching the correct response to the questions posed to us. However, what lay ahead after convocation was not a test with a grade, but the beginning of a new chapter for all of us.

One of the most valuable tools in our arsenal, not just after we cross the stage but from the moment we walked through the arches that first fall day, is the network of Bishop's alumni we call our fellow Gaiters. This community is what drew us to the quaint borough of Lennoxville and what launches us into the wide world, equipped with a quality education coupled with the ability to set ourselves apart and succeed in our given fields.

Building on your Bishop's Degree Bootcamp is the perfect example of the caring and motivational spirit that BU has for its students' success. The combination of faculty-, staff- and alumni-led workshops allows for students to learn from a range of professionals. The two-day intensive workshop structure allows students to invest completely in soaking up the wealth of knowledge and advice presented. These sessions cover everything from résumé building and interviewing to etiquette for every occasion and optimizing your online presence. As a finale, registrants are given the opportunity to participate in a mock interview with an alumnus and really put all that they've learned into practice. After this intensive career introduction, organizers, graduates and participants come together to raise a toast to a successful weekend at a

networking cocktail where they can show off their newly harnessed skills - especially that tricky napkin, wine glass and hors d'oeuvre balancing act all while shaking hands. This event, open to all students in any program or year of study, is a great way for students to set themselves apart and for alumni to give back to BU and meet the next generation of Gaiters.

"Career Bootcamp is an amazing opportunity that gives us the chance to learn from our peers and alumni, as well as Bishop's staff and faculty," said Jocelyn Grubb, a graduating student taking part in this year's event. "I walked away from the two-day event with real skills that I've already been able to apply."

"The Bootcamp is another pocket of excellence at Bishop's," added participating alumnus Will Mitchell '68. "It helps students prepare for the job search process - résumé preparation, networking, interviewing, presenting oneself and etiquette, etc. The students are apprehensive about the 'real world' expectations. They uniformly express great appreciation for how the program has helped address some of those apprehensions. As alumni, we have the pleasure of engaging these impressive undergraduates, more formally in the mock interview and less formally at the reception that concludes the Bootcamp. It is somewhat humbling to witness the students' competence, to learn of their ambitions and to marvel at what they have already done with their lives. The Bootcamp gives us alumni a chance, once a year, to talk with pride about the preparation students are receiving at Bishop's and how deeply and appreciatively the students are responding. It is a program worth growing, supporting and perpetuating in whatever way we can."

As has been echoed above, although what lies ahead is sometimes uncertain, what we do know for sure is that the time we spend on campus allows us to join a family, challenging us, inspiring us and supporting us throughout our journeys, a family we know won't be leaving our sides post-graduation.

### ALUMNI EVENTS

**MAY 27**

Gaiter Classic Golf Tournament @ Milby Golf Course, Sherbrooke

**JUNE 11**

Chancellor's Folly in Toronto

**JUNE 24**

Toronto Golf Tournament @ Richmond Hill Golf and Country Club

**JULY 4**

Four Shades of Purple Ottawa Tournament @ Kanata Lakes Golf Club

**JULY 29**

Four Shades of Purple Toronto Tournament @ Station Creek Golf Club

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**MARRIAGES:** **1. Miron-Neville:** Hillary '08 to Alex '08 on February 28 in Lachine at La Vieille Brasserie. L-R: Hillary, Alex, Morgan Miron '13, Michael Palcich '05, Adam Meier, and Elizabeth Miron '10. **2. Yip-McCracken:** Courtney Lee '08 to Ian Herscheit '08. Eloped in NYC April 3, 2016, and currently living in San Diego, CA. **3. Romero-Hatch:** Holly '08 to James '08 on August 22, 2015, In attendance from L to R: Kayla Webster '08, Morgan McCormick '09, Taryn Johnston '07, James, Holly, Lauren Webster '09, Alexandra Battista '08, and Nikita Gourski '08. **4. Koebelin-Van:** Kristen (Hammy) '06 to Peter in a Cambodian-Chinese ceremony on May 23, 2015 in Yonkers, NY and in a Western ceremony on May 24, 2015. From L to R: Les Boutillier, Heather Duplain (attended '01-'03), Alex Niezgoda (attended '01-'03), Cindy Cantelon '05, TaylorDeWal, and Lauren Bernardo DeWal '06. **5. Nation-Morgan:** Gillian '07 to Paul on July 11, 2015. Pictured from L to R starting in the back are: Alana (MacDonald) Oliver '07, Laura Curiale '07, Sara Tomita '07, Dylan White '07, Brian Pearl '07, Aaron Goddard, Krista (McNally) Butler '07, Kate Adams '08, Megan Clarke '12, Jennifer Clarke '07, Alex Paterson '09, Claire Hefferon '09. Middle row is: Audrey Figueroa-Pierre '08, Chelsea (Aboud) Verdun '08, Ashley Lawrence '07. Bottom row is: Andrew Nation '80 (father of the bride), Jenna Plamondon '08, Gillian, and Paul. **6. Van Horsen-Hall:** Jessica '03 to Alexander on September 10, 2015. Pictured from L to R are: Joyce Achampong '03, Priya Raju '03, Ang Waterton '03, Jessica, Shannon Hodge



'01, and Sarah Doran '03. **7. Efraim-Dyer:** Mia to Patrick '02. Pictured L to R is Patrick and Paul Michaud '99. **8. Hipp-Cleghorn:** Erin to Will '08 on February 13, 2016 in Cozumel, MX. In attendance from L to R: Trevor Kennedy '08, Craig Ramsey '09, Mike Orlando '08, Ryan Thomson '08, Jeff Wilding '78, Mike Cleghorn '16, Susan Cleghorn '81, Jim Cleghorn '80, Will, Erin, Courtney Yip McCracken '08, Ian McCracken '08. **BIRTHS:** **9. Lepine:** to Vanessa (Santo) '07 and Andre Lepine '08 a son, Sailer Nicholas, on June 5, 2015. He is the sweetest little brother to twins Oliver and Sebastian. **10. St-Laurent:** to Julie-Alexandra Martin and Pierre-Alain St-Laurent '06 a son, Simone St-Laurent. **11. Greaves:** to Will '06 and Carolyn (Cornford) '07 a daughter, Eleanor Lynn Dolores Greaves, on December 12, 2015. **12. Krol-Webster:** to Lauren '09 and Jeremiah a daughter, Alice Catherine, on August 5, 2015. **13. Balkovec-Gluss:** to Aviva Gluss '07 and Adam Balkovec '07 a daughter, Amelia Hannah, on July 26, 2015. She is a real party animal like her mother. **14. Golding:** to Trevor '08 and Johanna (Kutney) '09 a daughter, Lyla Arianne Golding, who arrived at 11:32 am on August 21st, 2015 weighing in at 7 lbs., 5 oz. She joins her big brother Logan and big fur-sister Chloe in their growing Bishop's family! **15. Mullen-Ludlow:** to Kerry '01 and Peter '00 a son Rory Alexander, on December 30, 2014. He is adored by his big sister Payson Maud.

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## THROUGH THE YEARS



**Victor Suthren '65** recently stepped down as Honorary Captain to the Commander, Royal Canadian Navy and Naval Reserve Division HMCS "Carleton", a position he has held since his retirement as Director General of the Canadian War Museum, Ottawa, in 1997. A full-time writer, he is also a Town Councillor for the village of Merrickville, ON.

**Michael Holden '66** is living in Subiaco, Western Australia and can be reached at [mholden3@optusnet.com.au](mailto:mholden3@optusnet.com.au). After graduating from Bishop's he obtained a law degree from Osgoode Hall and was admitted to the Ontario Bar. In 1971 he travelled to Australia with then wife Mary Leigh Hill '66 for a short visit and he's still here in Perth Western Australia. After practicing law for many years in 1991 he was appointed as a Judge of the Family Court of Western Australia and in 1997 became Chief Judge of that Court. Also in 1991 he was appointed as a Justice of the Family Court of Australia and a few years later was appointed to the Appeal Division of that court. He retired 8 years ago as he grew tired of spending much of his life travelling to Australia's various state capitals to hear appeals. In June of 2014 he had

the relatively rare honour of receiving an Order of Australia for services to the law.

**Myung Park '74** has retired from RBC after 26 years of service in IT. He can be reached at [myunguck@outlook.com](mailto:myunguck@outlook.com).

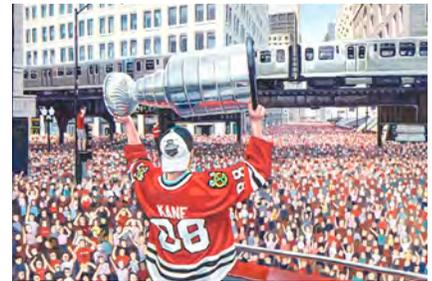
**Julie Bradshaw '78** works in the Education field in Napanee, ON and can be reached at [bradshawj3@gmail.com](mailto:bradshawj3@gmail.com).

A group of BU grads connected in Naples, FL this winter. Pictured from L to R are Wayne Hussey (former Gaiter Basketball Coach), Bob Egan '80, Ronna (Button) Egan '82, Cathy (Fluhman) Hussey, John Chippindale '82, Sue (Drury) Chippindale '82, Bryan McLean '81, and Cathy (McRae) McLean '82.



**Peter Stefano '87** recently joined KPMG as a Partner in Advisory Services to help grow the Management Consulting Practice with a focus on Oracle business solutions. He can be reached at [pstefano@kpmg.ca](mailto:pstefano@kpmg.ca).

**Tony Harris '88** was commissioned by the Chicago Blackhawks to paint the above-right was given to President Obama in the Oval Office on February 18, 2016. The different images represent the 2010, 2013, and 2015 Stanley Cup celebrations and the plate reads "two terms and Three Stanley Cup Championships".



**Stephanie Robinson '99** is a teacher at Commission Scolaire Marie Victorin.

**William (Bill) Logan '00** graduated from the Global Professional Master of Laws (GPLLM) program at the University of Toronto, Faculty of Law. The GPLLM is a 12-month executive-style Master of Laws in global business law offered during evenings and weekends focused on Canadian business law from a global perspective. Bill enthusiastically recommends the program and would be happy to discuss. He can be reached at [bill.logan@mail.utoronto.ca](mailto:bill.logan@mail.utoronto.ca).

**Patrick Naud '01** recently became a Parliamentary Affairs Advisor in the Senate of Canada.

**Jessica Van Horsen '03** has written a book titled *A Town Called Asbestos: Environmental Contamination, Health, and Resilience in a Resource Community* and has been published by the UBC Press.

**Emily Findleton '04** is the Human Resources Advisor at McGill University.

**Marco Pelchat '07** is living in Ottawa, ON and can be reached at [pelch47@gmail.com](mailto:pelch47@gmail.com).

**Rob Britton '07** is a software engineer at Google – YouTube and can be reached at [rob@robbritton.com](mailto:rob@robbritton.com).

**Nick Healey '11** has joined the Kingston Whig-Standard as a Media Sales Consultant.

**Katrina Kroeze '11** is the Executive Director of the Niagara Sustainability Initiative in St. Catharines, ON and was the recipient of a 40 Under 40 Business Achievement Award in Niagara for her work on this initiative. She can be reached at [kkroeze@niagarasustainability.org](mailto:kkroeze@niagarasustainability.org).

**James Piva '12** is a Senior Software Developer at WSP in Ottawa.

**Isabelle Lécuyer '13** is an Education Director in Gatineau, QC.



It was a purple Christmas this year for the Fournier family reunion. Pictured from L to R: Gabrielle Fournier, Nicolas Fournier (current student at BU), Catherine (current student at BU), Alex Fournier '14, Stéfanie Drouin '89, Billy Lacroix (Stefanie's son), Daniel Fournier (BU Leading the Way Campaign Co-Chair), first row Brandon Lacroix (Stefanie's son).

**Elise Cournoyer Lemaire '15** is currently in graduate school researching the psychology of music at the International Laboratory of Research on Brain, Music and Sound.

**Lauren Straw '16** joins the Bishop's University Advancement Office as the Foundation Intern.

## IN MEMORIAM

**Dr. Victor Goldbloom, C.C., O.Q., M.D., LL.D.** passed away in Montreal, on Monday, February 15, 2016, of a heart attack. He was ninety-two years old and was active and in good health until the time of his death. Victor was born in Montreal on July 31, 1923. He was the son of Dr. Alton Goldbloom and Annie Ballon. He studied medicine at McGill University and followed in his renowned father's footsteps as a pediatrician.

He entered provincial politics in 1966 as the MNA for the newly created riding of D'Arcy-McGee. When Robert Bourassa's Liberals took power in 1970, he was named Quebec's first Minister of the Environment and was responsible for the Province's first environmental protection act. He was the first member of the Jewish community to serve in the Quebec cabinet. He also served as Minister of Municipal Affairs and became responsible for the completion of the facilities for the 1976 Olympics when the Quebec government took over responsibility for the Games from the City of Montreal. He resigned from the National Assembly in 1979 to become President of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews. He dedicated himself to inter-religious understanding both in Canada and internationally. In honour of his work, he was made a Knight of the Order of St. Sylvester by Pope Benedict XVI in 2012. From 1987-1990, he was the president of Quebec's Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement. Victor served as Canada's Commissioner of Official Languages from 1991 to 1999. He was appointed a Companion of the Order of Canada, an Officer of l'Ordre national du Québec and received honorary degrees from McGill, Concordia, the University of Toronto, the University of Ottawa and l'Université Sainte Anne.

He is survived by his wife of sixty-seven years, McGill Professor (retired), Sheila

Goldbloom and his children, Susan Restler (Peter Restler), Michael Goldbloom (Fiona Macleod), Jonathan Goldbloom (Alice Switocz); four grandchildren, Victoria (Byron), Lincoln, Alexandra and Matthew; two great-grandchildren, Sol and Sylvia; his brother, Dr. Richard Goldbloom, and many cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

In addition to his family, friends and community, Victor loved piano, poetry, biographies, theatre, opera, wine, gastronomy, baseball, the New York Times crossword and telling a good joke.

**L.Col. Merton Tyler '43** of Chateaugay, QC on September 15, 2015.

**Iain Scott '45** of Farmington Hills, MI on October 8, 2015.

**Gabriel Zako '54** of Sherbrooke, QC on February 20, 2016.

**Colin McAlpine '68** of Mississauga, ON on February 12, 2016.

**Rosario Tremblay '73 DCL, O.C.** of Levis, QC on December 8, 2015.

**Mario Belanger '82** of Markham, ON on February 14, 2016.

**John David Dent '98** of Oakville, ON on May 10, 2015.

**William Turner DCL '87.** It is with sadness that the Bishop's community learned of the death on Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup> of Chancellor Emeritus William I. M. Turner, Jr., a distinguished business and community leader whose decades of engagement with Bishop's University left a lasting mark on this institution.

Over the course of his career, Bill Turner was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Consolidated-Bathurst Inc. and President of Power Corporation of Canada. He served on numerous



corporate boards, including Newmont Mining Corporation, Proudfoot PLC, Schroders PLC in the U.K., A. Johnson Co. in Sweden, Baca Resources, Bombardier Inc., Canadian Marconi, and Celanese Canada, among others. He was also Chairman of the Advisory Council of the Wells Fargo Bank. Most recently, Mr. Turner served as Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of Exsultate Inc. and as Chairman of Altamira Dividend Fund Inc.

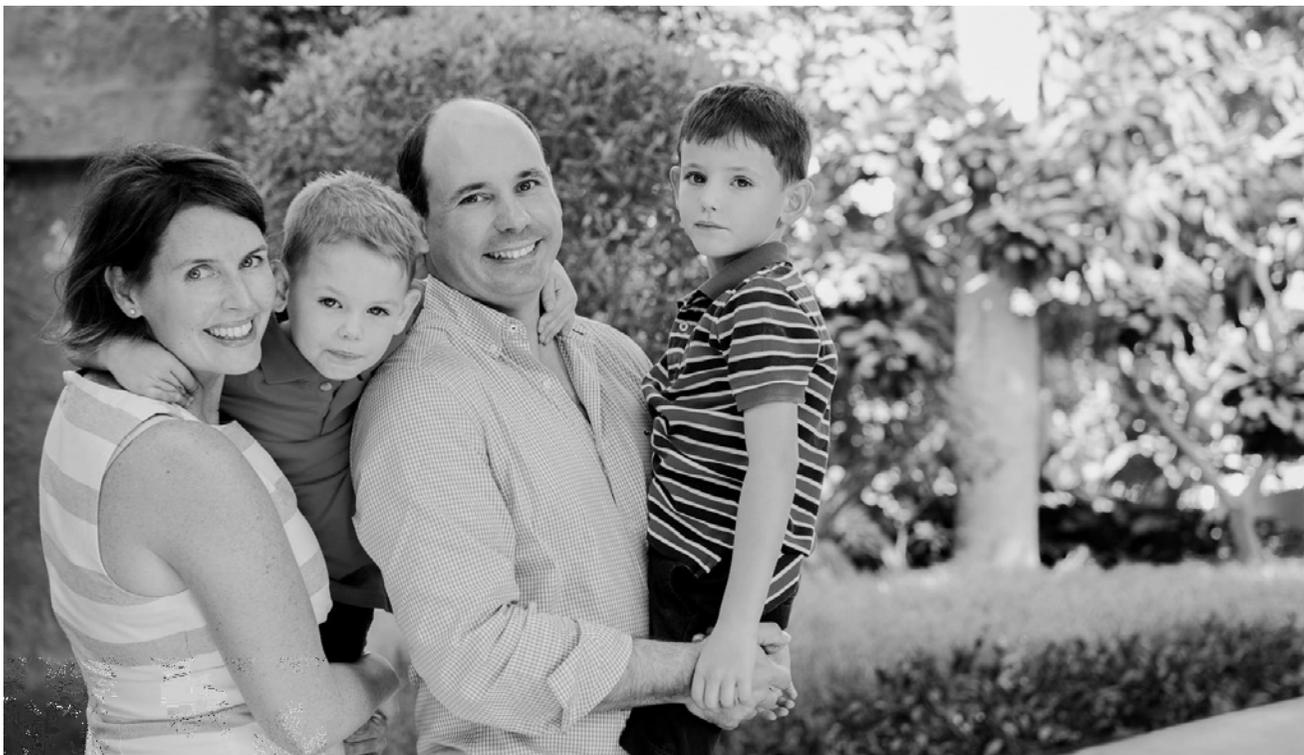
Named an honorary lifetime member of the Corporation of Bishop's University, Mr. Turner was awarded an honorary degree in 1987. He was appointed Chancellor of Bishop's University the same year, serving in that capacity until 1995. Bill Turner was exceptionally generous to Bishop's

University. He established a Chair in Christianity, within the Department of Religion. He created the University's highest award for excellence in teaching, the William and Nancy Turner Award, bestowed annually on an outstanding Bishop's professor at Convocation. He was also instrumental in making possible the construction of what was originally known as the Consolidated-Bathurst Theatre, built in 1989, and which was renamed the Turner Studio Theatre, in his honour, in 2004. In recognition of his unparalleled contributions to Bishop's University, Bill Turner was made our first Chancellor Emeritus in 2011.

Mr. Turner had a long history of volunteer service with international

organizations and charities, including the Carnegie Institution for Science in Washington, D.C. and the Foundation of the World Economic Forum. He played a crucial role in the creation of the Canadian Instrument Bank through the Canada Council, which loans out instruments to deserving Canadian musicians. He has sat on the boards of numerous charitable organizations, including the Stratford Festival Foundation, the Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal, and the Montreal Symphony Orchestra.

Mr. Turner held a B.Sc. in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Toronto and an M.B.A. from the Harvard Business School. He was a Member of the Order of Canada.



**W**hen we graduated from Bishop's in 2000 and 2001, giving back to BU was already in our minds. Over the years we attended school, we saw the impact of scholarships on our friends and fellow classmates. We also knew we wanted to keep connected to the school that helped shape a part of who we are today.

Early after graduation, we started making monthly donations at an amount we could afford at the time. We were happy to give and always encouraging our friends to give too. We also used Sven's matching gift programme at work to match our monthly giving. We knew the funds going back to the school would be used wisely.

Over time, we realized we wanted to make a greater contribution and start touching individual lives. We created a scholarship fund, the Byl Award for Student Leadership. The criteria was established and the terms discussed with

the advancement team at Bishop's. Part of our annual gift would be endowed and the other part would be handed out every other year to the chosen recipient. This seemed like a natural step after donating monthly for many years. We increased our monthly gift and continued to use Sven's matching gift programme. For a couple of years, we even designated a portion of our United Way donations to BU.

As our friends started turning 30, we chose to make donations to our fund in their names to honour their birthdays and other special occasions like weddings and babies. These gifts were meaningful to us and a way to share our passion for BU with our friends. The scholarship fund continues to grow and every other year we receive a personal thank-you letter from the recipient of our scholarship fund.

This letter becomes more important to us each year. Early on, we glanced at the letter and looked forward to our tax receipt. There have been times over the years, as our life has changed course

or taken us abroad, when we have considered ending our commitment to Bishop's, then a thank you letter arrives and all our memories start flooding back. We remember the impact BU made on us and why we are where we are today. And more importantly, we reflect on our friendships that are so deeply rooted in our BU experience.

The last thank-you letter we received, we sat down and read it to our six-year-old son. Naturally, he understands BU is a special place but now he is starting to understand how important it is to us. It is so important that we continue to give back so others (or at least one person) will have the chance to experience BU as we did. The thank-you letter also gave us a chance to introduce philanthropy to our children, a lesson that is so easily skipped over.

Thanks for taking the time to read our story. We will never forget the impact BU made on our lives.

- Laura '00 and Sven '01 Byl

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