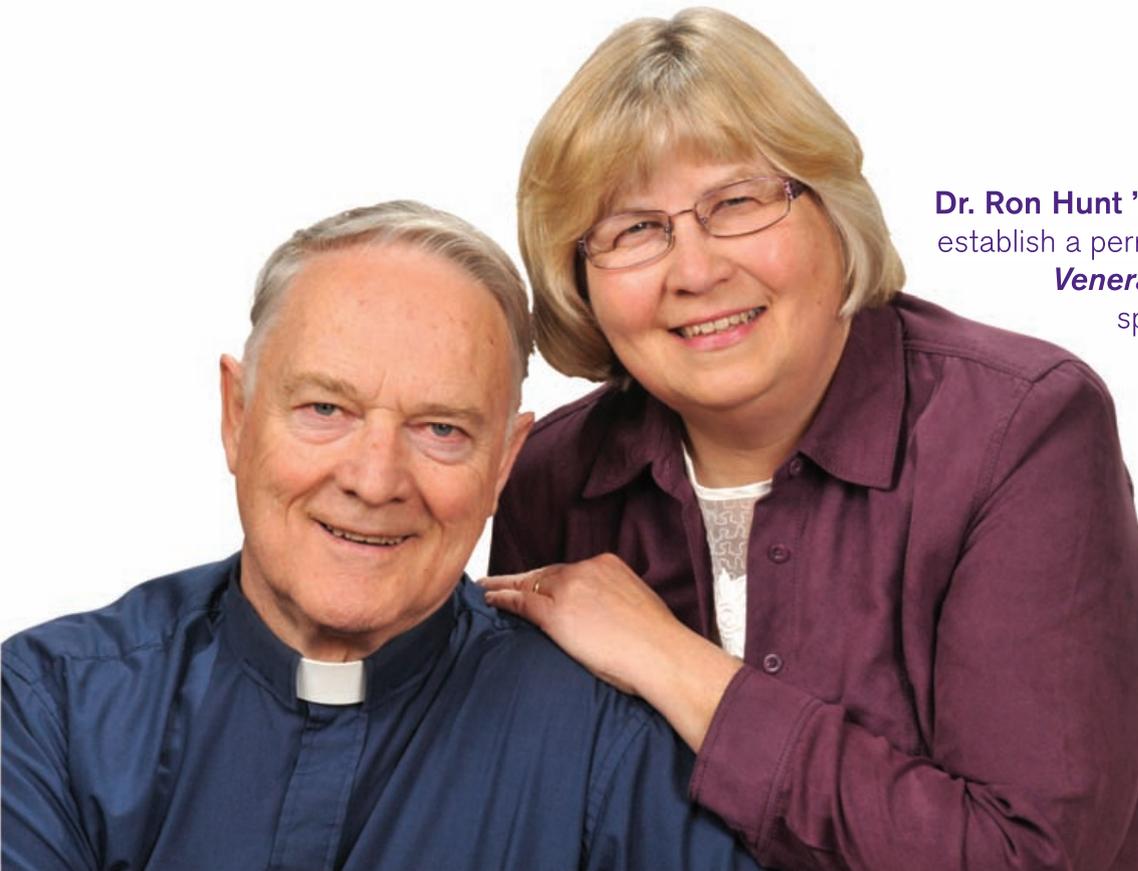


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“It feels great to give back to Bishop’s. We encourage other members of the Bede – and friends of the Campus Ministry – to donate to this Fund.”

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Cover photo by Frederic Hore. Floriane Delpech, an exchange student from Rouen, France, at work in a new lab.

Messages

Maxime Picard



Dave McBride '93
Director, University Advancement

THE BISHOP'S NETWORK. No, not a movie title, but something we herald as a strength of our University: 14,000 active alumni, spanning the globe, with purple running through their veins. They're proud of their alma mater and always willing to help. But formalizing the network presents a challenge to our office.

For this summer **Samantha Juraschka**, a 3rd year Business student, received a grant from the BEST (Bishop's Experiential or Service Term) Projects Fund. Sam's project is to develop a social media site connecting students with alumni who will share their stories and provide online guidance to current students.

Facebook.com/bishops has close to 5,000 fans. Over 1,000 members have joined the **Bishop's University Alumni** group of **LinkedIn**. (If you're not a member of these networks, please sign on today.)

Sam believes **whouknow.ca** will fill the gap between Facebook and LinkedIn – and start fruitful conversations among members of the Bishop's community.

Our office will work with Sam over the summer on her ambitious and challenging project, with its goal of promoting an increasingly connected Bishop's network.

If a movie script comes out of this project, all the better....

We're also interested in in-person networking. If you'd like to host a networking breakfast in your area, please contact me: dmcbride@ubishops.ca.

Administrative appointments: strong leadership continues



Dr. Benoit-Antoine Bacon has been appointed Dean of Arts & Science for a term of four years based on his exemplary teaching record, his commitment to research, his record of leadership as Chair of the Psychology Department, and his deep understanding and belief in the mission of Bishop's.



Dr. Cathy Beauchamp '70 has been renewed as Dean of the School of Education for a term of four years.



Dr. Michael Childs has been renewed as Vice-Principal for a term of five years.



Dr. Steve Harvey '89 has been renewed as Dean of the *Williams School of Business* for a term of five years. He also serves as Associate Vice-Principal Research.

Principal's Page

Grant Simeon '85



Michael Goldbloom

that Bishop's would not be sustainable if we did not reverse the decline.

We set an ambitious goal of returning to our high of 2,200 students by 2013. Our enrolment now stands at 2,086 and I'm pleased to say we are on track to achieve our goal this fall, two years ahead of schedule.

BU News: What is fuelling the increased student interest?

MG: In short, we are getting the word out. Those who know Bishop's best, our 14,000 alumni, know that Bishop's is an exceptional university for undergraduate education. It is a university where students really do come first – where they have tremendous opportunities to learn and to grow both in the classroom and beyond. The challenge we faced was to communicate this advantage to greater numbers of potential students and their families.

BU News: How have you achieved that?

MG: The impressive team in recruitment and admissions has played the lead role, but they could not have done it alone. Our success results from a true community effort. Bishop's alumni, students, parents, faculty and staff all got on board to get the message out. They talked about Bishop's with their families, their friends and their colleagues. They encouraged potential students to contact us, to visit the campus, and to apply.

We also began taking full advantage of new technologies. The success of our word-of-mouth campaign was driven in large part by leveraging the power of social media. Social networks have become a powerful way to stay connected with alumni and friends of the University, as well as to engage potential students.

BU News: Anyone visiting Bishop's recently couldn't help notice the construction crews and equipment around campus. What's going on?

BU News: As you approach the end of your third academic year, what stands out as the most significant achievement for Bishop's?

MG: When I arrived declining enrolment was by far our greatest challenge. In 2005 Bishop's hit a peak of 2,200 full-time students, but by 2008 enrolment had dropped to 1,740 – the lowest in more than a decade. With our revenues closely tied to our student numbers, it was evident

“We set an ambitious goal of returning to our high of 2,200 students by 2013. Our enrolment now stands at 2,086 and I'm pleased to say we are on track to achieve our goal this fall, two years ahead of schedule.”

MG: The Bishop's campus is one of Canada's oldest, and one of its most beautiful. Our red brick buildings are part of our heritage and identity as an institution. But many buildings on campus have been in need of repair and refurbishment.

Over the past three years the federal and provincial governments have made educational infrastructure a priority and, as a result, Bishop's has been able to undertake some long-overdue projects. In total, \$67 million will be invested in our bricks and mortar, the largest investment in infrastructure ever seen at Bishop's.

Some projects are complete, some are underway, and some will begin in the coming months:

- A significant renovation of the Johnson Science Building was completed, making modern laboratories available to our students.
- St. Mark's Chapel had major structural issues corrected and its masonry repaired.
- We are in the process of converting our antiquated steam heating plant to a more sustainable and cost effective geothermal system. By 2012 we will be Canada's first fully geothermal university campus.
- Soon we will begin a major \$30-million renovation and expansion of the Sports Centre.

BU News: What do you enjoy most about leading Bishop's?

MG: Every day is an opportunity to participate in a community that comes together around intellectual curiosity and personal growth. Because we live on campus, my wife and I can be involved in the dynamic life of the University.

There is no better feeling than watching students grow and mature as they learn new things, push beyond their comfort zones, and develop the courage and confidence to be significant contributors in their chosen fields.

In a way, I think the Principal's house at 5 Harrold Drive represents a rite of passage for students. It is a long-standing tradition for entering students to serenade the Principal from the lawn of the house with the school

song. Each year we invite the graduating students to come back to the house, where I get to raise a toast congratulating them on their success.

BU News: What gives you the most confidence in Bishop's future?

MG: The strength of the Bishop's community. I mentioned earlier how everyone came together around the urgent need to increase enrolment. That is just one example of the enormous capacity of the Bishop's community to achieve ambitious goals when we work toward a common objective.

The challenges we have faced together have allowed us to develop a renewed sense of trust, mutual respect and confidence. More than ever Bishop's is a place that is open to change and to finding new and innovative ways to enhance the education we provide to our students.

Political Studies: a union between choice and chance

How many times has politics been depicted as an “art” – “the art of the possible”, “the art of compromise” and even “the art of looking for trouble”? Yet, political science and political philosophy are not art but, together, constitute a discipline seeking to make sense of choice and chance. So it seems fitting the Department of Political Studies at Bishop’s was the offspring of a union between choice and chance.

Given the temper of the ’60s, baby boomers chose to know more about politics. Fortunately **their choices were preceded by a chance meeting that led to the creation of the Department of Political Science in 1961.**

A colleague happened to acquaint Principal Ogden Glass with Terence W. L. MacDermot, who was retiring as a senior civil servant in the Department of External Affairs. The end result of their newly formed relationship was that MacDermot accepted an offer to become Head of Political Science and assumed his post five decades ago this September.

Glass and MacDermot agreed that two political science courses would be offered: an introductory course to provide first year students with a basic understanding of the institutions and processes of Canadian government, and a second year comparative course to introduce students to patterns and questions of political choice and chance elsewhere.

MacDermot’s experience and temperament eminently qualified him to initiate students into the systematic study of politics and, from the beginning, his lectures attracted many of the brightest students. By the end of the 1960s the Department had expanded to 14 courses taught by five full-time faculty members.

Throughout the 1970s and ’80s, the Department continued to meet the demand for a variety of courses in the discipline. In 1977 the Departments of Economics and Political Science recommended a joint program in Political Economy, now the increasingly popular, albeit challenging, International Political Economy Program.

In 1982-83, courses within the Political Science Department were divided



Frederic Hore

back: **Trygve Ugland** (Queen’s U Belfast), PhD (Oslo), **Heather McKeen-Edwards** BA (Manitoba), MA, PhD (McMaster), **Andrew Stritch** BA (Exeter), MA (Lancaster), PhD (Queen’s)
front: **Andrew Johnson** BA (Loyola), MA (McMaster), PhD (McGill), **Gilbert Gagné** BA, MA (Ottawa), DPhil (Oxford) missing: **Gerald Tucker** BA (Toronto), MA, PhD (McGill)

into five divisions: Canadian Politics, Political Philosophy or Political Theory, Comparative Politics, International Politics, and Research Methods.

In 1990, the Political Science Department changed its name to Political Studies after having changed it once before to Political Studies and then back to Political Science – all matters of choice and not chance.

However, this choice did not end with a name change. The Department later chose to introduce two new options: a Minor in Public Administration and Public Policy and a Minor in International Studies.

The former provides for a practical application of the analytic acumen that students derive from the rest of their program of studies and encourages them to pursue advanced studies in the subject area with a view to pursuing careers in public service. Since 2008, Public Administration has been supplemented by the *Nicholas Bachand Canadian Civil Society Internship* which enables one student, each term, to gain administrative and research experience, along with course credit and a modest stipend, while working for a local non-governmental organization (NGO): the Townshippers’ Association.

The Minor in International Studies provides students with similar experiential learning opportunities, only globally. The UN Practicum course, which ends each year with students competing in a model United Nations in New York with university teams from North America and

Europe, remains a signature course for the program as well as a testament to the capabilities of our students who continue to win awards for their efforts.

In addition, University-sponsored international internships in Peru, Kenya, Tanzania, and in Europe continue to enhance the profiles of our students in highly competitive job markets.

In fact the Minor has proven to be so successful for both students and the University that an IS Major was launched two years ago and an IS Honours program was created this year with demanding language requirements and international exchange opportunities.

IS student enrolments are now roughly equal to Political Studies enrolments, and International Political Economy enrolments are increasing. Accordingly, the Department of Political Studies/International Studies/International Political Economy – with over 100 students – is one of the largest departments at Bishop’s.

T.W.L. MacDermot would be genuinely pleased and proud of his legacy. Despite the Department’s growth, its faculty maintain his commitment to advancing the prospects of students. That’s where choice enters once more.

And chance? When it comes to students, the faculty leave nothing to chance.

Dr. Andrew Johnson
Chair, Department of Political Studies

Brenna Donoghue '03: fired up for a future in policy



WITH THREE DEGREES to her name, several thousand miles on her travel log and a few intriguing jobs on her C.V., Brenna Donoghue says she's all fired up for a future in policy.

Brenna, who hails from Toronto and graduated from Bishop's in 2003, had never even heard of BU until her mother brought home a brochure for her.

"I really wanted to go away for school and planned on going to McGill but, when I went with some friends on a road trip to visit schools, we tacked Bishop's onto the list.

"I immediately fell in love with it," she recalls.

While at Bishop's, Brenna got actively involved in the Political Studies Department and points to the Model UN course as a particularly memorable one.

Brenna also served, in her last year, as the BU representative at the World Economic Forum (WEF) in Switzerland.

Although she says the work at WEF was "quite dull," she was exposed to an often unseen side of politics: "I got a glimpse not only into the very public operations of these organizations but also into how politics gets done (mainly through conversations that aren't big televised events)."

Brenna singles out Dr. Andrew Johnson as a major influence from Bishop's.

"Because he believed in me, he gave me the confidence to apply for opportunities (heading up the Model UN, applying for the WEF and for grad school) and,

because he set his standards high, I always wanted to perform, never to disappoint him."

Her undergraduate degree in Political Economy in hand, Brenna went on to Queen's University to pursue a Master's degree in Political Science.

After wrapping up her MA, she set out for a half-year of traveling, where she learned "that the developing countries I visited were innovative and driven and didn't really need the kind of travel volunteerism I assumed lay in my future."

After a second stint at the WEF, she took a leap and applied for a job with Engineers Without Borders (EWB), which she'd never heard of and where she didn't plan on staying for long.

But Brenna adored the 50,000-strong organization – which was founded in 2000 and operates in rural Africa to improve access to critical infrastructure and clean water.

She worked for EWB for more than four years, with the last year and a half as Director of Operations. Before taking up that final position, Brenna took

some time off from EWB to complete an MBA at Queen's, an experience she calls "amazing."

"I was at school with a diverse group of people in terms of their backgrounds and interests – and learned so much from my peers," she says. (Brenna and her peers won a case competition at UCLA.)

She left EWB in February to become President of Marketing & Sales with Ethical Ocean, an online marketplace for fair trade and organic products – where many of her coworkers also crossed paths with her at EWB.

In addition to her everyday work life, Brenna spent the last year completing an Action Canada Fellowship, and just attended the last conference for the fellowship in February.

"It's been a transformative program that has me thinking about how I might get involved in politics and policy... not sure yet in what capacity, but I'm really energized from this year."

Ronan O'Beirne (Drama)
from Dartmouth NS



Brenna views the Egyptian landscape during the golden hour.

Alex Besant '06: combining wanderlust and journalism

FROM BEIRUT TO THE SOUTH BRONX TO CAIRO, Alex Besant seems drawn to danger. Alex's wanderlust and passion for journalism were born before he even got to Bishop's.

After graduating early from high school, Alex switched hemispheres and found himself in New Zealand, where he worked as a sheep farmer for nine months (which he describes as a dream that was "quickly shattered.")

Despite not cutting it as a sheep farmer, Alex tumbled into journalism in New Zealand – while trying to woo a girl.

Alex met her in a youth hostel; she said she wanted to go bungee jumping but couldn't afford it.

So Alex cut a deal with the owner of the jump site. They would jump in exchange for an article about the owner's business, regardless of journalistic inexperience.

Much to Alex's shock, the *Toronto Star* ran his piece – and paid him for it.

That bungee jump pales in comparison to where his career path has taken him since Bishop's.

Alex graduated in 2006 after a stellar passage in the Political Studies Department, in which he organized everything from documentary screenings to a debate between two professors on Quebec's sovereigntist movement and won a *Purple Letter Award* for his involvement.

Then, assuming he had "a limited amount of time to enjoy life more seriously," Alex took off.

Since 2006, he has studied for a year in Geneva (where he "mostly skied"), Yale for another, worked again in Geneva with the Canadian Permanent Mission and, in 2009, did an internship at the Hearst Corporation's Washington bureau, where his desk was adjacent to that of Helen Thomas, who covered the White House through ten presidents.

Alex called Hearst a "serious crash course," cranking out daily stories on national affairs – including coverage of President Obama's speech before a joint session of Congress when he pitched his plan for healthcare reform.

Alex is now back in the classroom at Columbia University's School of Journalism. He covers the South Bronx, "the roughest part of town," and has developed connections with every conceivable local personality.

When he's done the South Bronx beat, Alex will hop on a plane for what may be an even more

volatile flashpoint: he's got an internship lined up in Cairo with the Associated Press. (He secured the gig before the current crisis erupted in Egypt.)

Alex says he's looking forward to Egypt but, deep down, he'd rather be elsewhere on the Mediterranean.

Between Yale and the Hearst internship, Alex completed a five-month stint at the Beirut *Daily Star*.

He first heard of the newspaper from Professor Rudy Nassar, who teaches courses on Middle Eastern history and politics. Alex says he'd like to reconnect with Nassar, to swap stories about the Lebanese capital.

Alex speaks of Beirut with great passion and says that learning about it is nothing compared to being there: "you get to know what it smells like [and] how hot it really is."

In fact, his Cairo internship comes with the *Overseas Press Club Award* that Alex was given earlier this year for his work in Beirut.

The award was for a piece Alex wrote on Western-educated, Lebanese women who return home to find a country where women lead very different lives.

The award seems to validate what Alex loves about journalism: "You can become a semi-expert in pretty much anything you want to cover."

Ronan O'Beirne



Alex takes a break from his studies at Columbia University.

Dorcas Ettang '05: aiming for creative solutions to conflict



Dorcas works at ACCORD near Durban, South Africa.

“How do you measure impact? It’s not like being a civil engineer, where you go in and build a bridge.”

DORCAS (ONIGBINDE) ETTANG is not the kind to spend 20 hours on a paper if she can spend 40 instead.

Dorcas, who graduated as a Political Studies major in 2005, has employed that work ethic to make her way into the complex and crucial world of conflict resolution.

Born and raised in Nigeria, Dorcas says Bishop’s topped her list when the time came to attend university: she was drawn to the idea of a bilingual learning environment.

Originally intending to be a French major, she instead opted for Political Studies. Sifting through years of memories from Bishop’s, Dorcas says the Model UN class stands out as a formative experience for her.

She was named an honorary delegate at the Model UN Conference in Ottawa, and says the course “really boosted [her] interest in that field.”

After leaving Bishop’s, Dorcas pursued this interest and found herself at the epicenter of global diplomacy. One summer, in between semesters at the University of Windsor working on a Master’s degree in Political Science, Dorcas undertook a research internship with the UN Department of Political Affairs, in the Security Council Affairs Division.

Although the internship was unpaid, Dorcas doesn’t regret the lack of remuneration for a second – because of the enriching experience.

Then, after finishing her MA, Dorcas landed another internship, this time at the Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Centre (KA IPTC) in the capital city of Accra, Ghana.

While working in Accra, she heard of ACCORD (the African Centre for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes), a South African-based civil society organization working throughout Africa to bring creative solutions to the challenges posed by conflict on the continent.

ACCORD intervenes in conflicts through mediation, negotiation, training, research and conflict analysis in countries such as Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), Liberia and Sudan.

She’s been working at ACCORD for more than two years, starting out as a Program Officer with the Peacebuilding Unit.

Dorcas was recently promoted to the position of Analyst in the same unit, where she offers strategic support to the Coordinator based on analysis of conflict on the continent.

She says it’s sometimes difficult to see the fruits of her labour, which are hard to quantify. “How do you measure impact? It’s not like being a civil engineer, where you go in and build a bridge,” she observes.

“[But] I see our work in action through the changing of mindsets,” she adds, and says “ACCORD is constantly assessing its own work and trying to measure its impact.”

The organization’s work is widespread: it deals with a variety of stakeholders, opening up lines of communication and working to improve the coherence and coordination between them.

Dorcas, who spoke by phone from ACCORD’s headquarters in Durban, South Africa, said she was slated to attend a conference in Guatemala on Security Sector Reform the next week.

She credits Bishop’s with playing “a huge role in enhancing [her] abilities” to explore so many opportunities. She also claims her Political Studies professors “played a major role in steering [her] in the right direction.”

She says one thing Dr. Johnson told her, when handing back an essay, has stuck with her ever since. “There’s a difference between spending 20 hours on a paper and 40 hours on a paper,” he said.

“The quality of your work depends on how much time you spend on it.”

Ronan O’Beirne

A STROLL THROUGH THE DECADES: STUDENT PRESIDENTS TELL THEIR TALES

Calamities framed the 2010-11 academic year at Bishop's: the worst flood in 25 years hit Lennoxville last October (100 mm of rain in 24 hours) and the worst snow storm in 30 years struck in March (over 70 cm of snow in less than 24 hours).

Since its beginning in 1843, Bishop's has faced many challenges – both natural and human – and throughout students have voiced their views on the management of academic, social and athletic matters.

According to Christopher Nicholl in *Bishop's University 1843-1970*, "the Alumni Association and the Student Association submitted to the Corporation in the spring of 1919 a joint resolution which strongly criticized the government and administration of the university." This document played a role in the abrupt resignation of Principal Parrock whose "rigidly classical philosophy of education was out of tune with the times, and during his tenure the university had drifted into a backwater."

Official student government appears to have begun a few years earlier in 1913. In the next four pages, you will read the recollections of several former student Presidents, beginning with a synopsis of the current Students' Representative Council (SRC) by today's President.

Strolling through the decades reveals much about our University's development.

2011



Paige Johnson (SRC President 2010-11) graduated in 2010 with a BA Educational Studies, Minor Psychology, and will receive a second BA in Sociology in May 2011.

The SRC continues to grow in both size and scope. About 25 students sit on its Executive Committee. We employ 30 students between *The Gait* and *Doolittle's* and support 40 different clubs.

Today's SRC has four departments, each with its own Vice-President: Academic, Social, Student Affairs and Operations.

The President oversees these departments in what looks and feels like a full-time job. In addition to managing a budget of close to \$220,000, the President sits on several committees, is the sole student voice on the Board of Governors, and chairs the Committee on Life at the University.

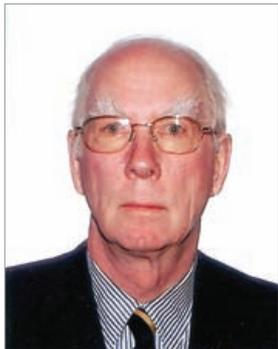
The Academic department focuses on Academic Orientation and Research Week, always trying to put a new twist on old ideas. Our Student Affairs team works closely with Student Services to ensure the University meets the needs of all students, while our Social crew plans events, including a revived winter carnival that we call *Frost Week* – and yes, the ever-popular Carnaval de Québec bus trip.

Managed by a dynamic team, *The Gait* opens its doors every Thursday afternoon for Happy Hour and supports the SRC in bringing in big-name talent for concerts.

Three years ago *Doolittle's* gained a permit to sell beer – a great addition to our inventory that saves students a walk to town. All profits from both *Doolittle's* and *The Gait* go right back to the SRC to spend on programming and clubs.

A big challenge for the SRC: maintaining a high profile on campus. With so many extracurricular activities available, students sometimes overlook their Council. But we continue to work to keep them interested and engaged, for instance, through fundraising events. This year, the SRC helped support Shinerama, Free the Children, the Lennoxville & District Women's Centre and others.

Serving as President is one of the most challenging and rewarding positions on campus. It has been a great year, and I am thankful to have held such a responsible, leadership position.



William Stavert (SEC President 1955-56) practised private client law until retiring from Borden Ladner Gervais in 2004.

When I was elected President of the Students' Executive Council in 1955, Bishop's bore little resemblance to its current state. The student population numbered 275 and the faculty 17; we had only a few residence buildings; our library was located in the administration building (part of McGreer); and the only athletic building was today's Memorial House where we played basketball and wrote our examinations. This House was also used for plays and other entertainments.

The sexes were strictly separated: the Dean of Women – whom I

remember as the Warden of Pollock Hall – saw to that. Norton and Pollock Halls, built only several years before, were considered the latest models of residence living. Men lived in Divinity House, McGreer Hall and Norton Hall, women in Pollock Hall. Men ate their meals in what is now Bandeen Hall and women separately in Pollock Hall.

We attended most of our lectures in the new arts building (Johnson). The entire University was quite contained, mainly within the "Quad", with the Principal's residence up on the hill and a few faculty houses outside. Apart from general compulsory courses,

classes were small, more like Oxford tutorials than formal lectures. Most were held in the morning, so we engaged in more pleasurable activities in the afternoon. A country club atmosphere generally prevailed, except at exam time.

We were usually well dressed and in formal black gowns on campus, that is in class, in chapel and in the mess. Although no longer compulsory, morning chapel was still encouraged.

As freshmen we were very respectful of the more senior students. We were reasonably well behaved, although practical jokes on fellow students, and sometimes on professors, provided a good way of relieving tension. For example, there was a steam pipe outside the apartment of the resident professor in Norton Hall, and freshmen were told that if they rang the bell they could ask the lady who lived there (who the new boys did not realize was the professor's wife) to press their trousers, if they wished.

Several memorable individuals served the University and us well in their time. Principal Jewett was dour and serious – I do not recall him smiling let alone laughing – but fair and even handed in his administration. The card on campus was Professor Jefferies who had a very deep voice and, in addition to being a superior instructor in Education, was very funny. Professor Motyer excelled in teaching Shakespeare and drama, and Professor Preston, who taught classics, possessed an encyclopedic knowledge of Greek and Roman history and military history. Another character was Porter Trimble who gave us our mail if we stopped by his office.

Given the small size of Bishop's, everyone knew almost everyone else by name. We formed lifelong friendships and benefited from our closely-knit community.

1960s



Abbott Wright (SEC President 1969-70) has been a Wealth Management Advisor for Merrill Lynch in Chicago IL for 28 years.

Ah! The '60s! Sex, drugs and rock 'n' roll? Or was it "Revolution is in the Air" just like Bob Dylan wrote? Economics and politics were changing at an alarming pace. Campuses across Canada were in turmoil. McGill ordered the police to carry occupying students away in paddy wagons in 1967. The experience at Bishop's, while unprecedented, was considerably less intense.

Academic gowns were required dress for all

students for decades. All meals, all classes. The issue of wearing gowns came up for a vote many times over the years. In 1969, the political divide was "practical" vs. "ideological." One group rightly knew that the gowns, if ironed many times, developed a sheen, almost like Teflon, that could resist the worst stains and spills. The ideological group rightly considered gowns an example of the University regarding itself as a moral enterprise *in loco parentis*. The "practicals" won the vote but lost the war.

After the vote took place, many students and faculty simply stopped complying. Since "discipline" was largely handed over to students in 1968, perpetrators were allowed to go their own way.

WOMEN IN THE DORMS. Hot topic. The sexes were strictly segregated in dorm life. No visitation. No co-ed living. *In loco parentis*??? A "Five Minute Sit-in" in the foyer of the Principal's Office was called in 1968 to dramatize the students' frustration at Administration's reluctance to allow visitation privileges. Shortly thereafter privileges were awarded -- within strict time guidelines.

The most dramatic and (revealing) event of the time was the "November Boycott" and its teach-in of 1969. The issue of student representation on Faculty Committees had been brewing for several years. The Faculty of Arts endorsed the idea, but the University Senate brushed it away and then turned it down. Students boycotted classes for four days. The Faculty of Arts endorsed the student boycott!

The ideological divide was not only in the student population. An all day teach-in followed: 400 students and 22 faculty carried out not a wild "direct action/occupation/name calling and shouting" episode but a remarkably rational debate on due process, democracy, the nature of mankind and a lot of topics in between. The one member who was present from "Students for a Democratic Society" (THE radical group of the '60s and '70s) lamented the sedate and patient nature of the Bishop's students. "No real radicals here," he declared.

A vote was taken and classes resumed the next day. Not long after, the Senate approved student representation in the governance of the University.

Were we headstrong in those days? You bet! Were we overly exuberant with our speech? Yes! Were we more than a little over confident in the truth of our ideas? Yes. But we all loved Bishop's.

Ah! Nostalgia isn't what it used to be.

1970s



Patricia Walker (SEC President 1976-77) works in Human Resources at the National Energy Board of Canada.

I remember standing in the living room of my residence in the spring of 1976 when I first heard that only one person had come forward for the candidacy of SEC President. Here I was, a transfer student from the University of Alberta, with a chance to become President.

Living in quarters usually belonging to a professor, just under the arch on the way to the quad, we phoned our order for wood for the fireplace every two weeks: "short logs please, as it's quite a small fireplace."

How does this happen? Not the small logs but rather, how can students take Bishop's so much for granted? I thought about the many opportunities available to us: getting

to know our professors, being able to talk to or drink a beer with the Dean of Faculty, forgetting your ID number because you didn't need it every time you turned around, attending theatre productions and other presentations, rooting for the Gaiters, listening to our campus radio....

I believed Bishop's was an amazing place so added my own name to the race. And won.

Serving as only the second female President made for an interesting experience. Not only was I reminded often of my exceptional role, but I also knew my actions were being watched.

Bishop's was still trying to recover from the introduction of the CEGEP system. We had about 650 students compared to 1300 at Champlain College which shared our grounds and facilities.

Major changes occurred during my term. Tensions between faculty and administration culminated in the accreditation of the Association of the Professors of Bishop's University (APBU) as a faculty union under the province's labour laws. Students lost representative seats, including on the Senate.

However, we had a new Pub with coolers that could hold plenty of quarts (beer being part of our Bishop's diet). Revenue from *The Pub* helped us keep 32 clubs and societies open through the year, including the *Film Society*, *The Mitre*, *The Campus*, the radio station, the *Chess Club* and so on.

We tried to be bigger than just ourselves. For instance, Idi Amin was abusing his power in Uganda. On behalf of Bishop's students, the VP Internal Affairs sent a letter to the United Nations.

The Parti Québécois won the provincial election during my term. It was a quiet night in Lennoxville. The University was there, as was the Massawippi.

My term would come to an end. But I knew Bishop's would go on.

1980s



John Hussey (SRC President 1981-82) is a Partner of the executive search firm of John Hussey & Associates.

I arrived at Bishop's in the fall of 1979 just as the Parti Québécois outlined its strategy for the 1980 referendum. Coming from Ontario, I naively believed I would learn French at Bishop's and would better understand the underpinnings of the struggle between the two cultures.

Like many before and after me, I was instead thrown into Orientation Week, and the rest of the planet disappeared somewhat while we built friendships and shared experiences that would help shape the directions of our adult lives.

In the fall of 1980, *The Pub* announced price increases. Quarts of beer rose to \$1.25, pints to 85¢ and cigarettes to \$1.35. *The*

Campus newspaper ads still featured slogans for tobacco: "Crack a pack of Colts along with the beer" and "A taste of Adventure – Export A Satisfaction." Connie's Big Lion Burger (with fries) was \$2.25. The latest beer jingle was "Carlsberg Light, All Right."

1980 began like any other year... until everyone read the new Student Handbook. The "Better Blatant than Latent" version created controversy that endured throughout the fall. It resulted in disclaimers by the SRC, students rallying to burn copies of the

Handbook and the resignation of *The Campus* editor.

By 1982, the Quebec government had started another round of budget cutting. Chancellor Robert Bandeen initiated a revamping of the University's budget, proposing a zero-based system that would force all departments and faculties to review their pedagogical and administrative activities from the ground up. Voting at the Executive Committee pitted students against students, faculty against faculty, and faculty against both administration and community members. The budget motion passed narrowly by one vote, and the University adopted a more realistic and fair approach – with departmental savings ranging from 7% to 30%.

The Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union (CIAU) proposed a new "super league" for university hockey that would require teams to increase substantially both their road time and their budgets. Bishop's was already under significant financial pressure, and there was concern that students in the hockey program would not be able to meet their academic requirements given the travel commitments. One of the most difficult decisions in which I participated: discontinuing the Men's Varsity Hockey program.

In the fall of 1982, *The Campus* was in full gear in its on-going battle with the SRC, the Drama Club presented *Waiting for Godot*, *The Pub* hosted the ska band "The Villains," Divinity House (still a student residence) celebrated its 90th birthday, St. Mark's Chapel its 125th, the newly minted Rugby team played its first game, Lynn Polson broke BU scoring records, the last song at *The Pub* was still *New York, New York* and, sadly, we said goodbye to Marcel Lebrun, a charismatic, fun loving football player who died in a car accident.

1990s



Chad Schella (SRC President 1992-94) is Director of Player Services, Ottawa Senators Hockey Club.

Having the good fortune to serve two terms as SRC President, I enjoyed working with great students on two different councils. What do I recall from my years at Bishop's?

A new student association, *Big Buddies*, ushered in the 1990s. BU students paired with local children, mentoring over 80 children in the first year alone. By the second year the number of participants reached 200 and a national organization was formed based on our local one – thanks to the dedicated efforts of Kathy Cassidy '93.

The Student Patrol got underway; 20 volunteers cruised the streets at night to escort fellow students home safely, free of charge. Now,

about 35-40 students, hired and trained by Bishop's Security, constitute a vital part of campus safety.

Bishop's repatriated its original building of 1845, McGreer Hall; Champlain College moved into a new building near the Nicolls field.

With all members of the community, students celebrated the University's 150th anniversary in grand style. Of special note was our Sesquicentennial Convocation of December 9, 1993 in which

The Right Honourable Ramon Hnatyshyn received an honorary degree. (Apparently Bishop's had also awarded a degree to the Governor General during its Centennial celebrations.)

As well as gaining a new wing, our Library declared the card catalogue a relic to be replaced by BORIS (Bishop's Online Retrieval Information System).

Students honed their entrepreneurial skills by opening a convenience store, *Doolittle's*, in the SUB. In managing *The Pub* and the *Quiet Bar*, we balanced the need to generate profits for financing clubs and SRC operations with a desire to maintain affordable prices and provide jobs for students.

We had a great time watching football in my years. In 1992 our Gaiters were nationally ranked in the top 3 for most of the season, putting together a Bishop's best 9-1 overall record. However, we lost the championship game to Queen's which went on to win the Vanier Cup. Football fever continued the following year as we won our 4th consecutive OQIFC Regular Season Championship.

The first refugee student, Mary Assumpta, came from Rwanda in the fall of 1992. In a referendum, Bishop's students approved an additional \$2 in fees to support an ongoing Refugee Program.

In 1989 the SRC had purchased six computers – which never worked. The SRC engaged in a legal battle with a Sherbrooke firm, eventually settling out of court for three new 486 computers. The cost to the SRC was \$78,000 for the computers and our legal fees.

Sitting on the University's Corporation highlighted my terms, and I would be remiss if I did not thank Principal Hugh Scott for his guidance and support.

2000s



Jocelyn Molyneux (SRC President 2007-08) is Environmental Initiatives Coordinator with Turtle Island Recycling Corp in Toronto.

The new millennium saw a disproportionate amount of drama, with epic highs and lows, for Canada's smallest university with the biggest heart. Enrolment skyrocketed in 2003 (due largely to Ontario's double cohort); Paterson Hall, built to accommodate this largest ever entering class, was completed one month after students arrived on campus.

The following fall these frosh students were again stranded, this time without a place to party when the campus bar *The Loft* was shuttered due to safety concerns associated with its 3rd floor location. Students resorted to off-campus parties and SRC-organized bus trips to sports games and local attractions.

The tradition of students balancing social and academic activities with a commitment to the community was aided by the advent and popularity of new media (Bishop's joined the Facebook network in 2005); an already tightly-knit student community grew even closer as we connected with each other and gained a greater awareness of our privileged position in a global context.

As the Pride Alliance staged *The Laramie Project* to shed a light on homophobia, and the Caribbean African Students' Association produced their hugely successful *Shaheera* cultural celebration, the popular BUCS fundraising fashion show and the SRC's philanthropic Underwear Run revealed students' dedication to living both inside and outside the BU bubble.

Empowered students collaborated with engineer Michel Caron (Director of Facilities) to form the Sustainable Development Action Group and tackle increasingly important issues of campus sustainability. Green became the new purple. We introduced a recycling program for cans, worked with food services to implement composting and the use of fair trade coffee, and brought three new waste stations to the food facilities, which consolidated recycling, composting and trash into one convenient structure.

Students' efforts advocating for social justice and environmental sustainability were also an attempt to propel the community forward while the University's fortunes took a turn for the worse. As the double cohort moved on, Paterson Hall was left half empty and the University's budget was deep in the red.

Tough times were further exasperated by warring staff, faculty and administration, with a 41-day labour row in the summer of 2007 that brought Bishop's under intense media scrutiny. Resolved only days before the fall semester began, the drama culminated two months later in an uprising against the Principal. Bishop's "struck gold" a year later with the hiring of Principal Michael Goldbloom. Under his leadership our University reunited the differing groups, grew enrolment numbers, and secured the conditional grant from the provincial government.

Our University's heart again reigned victorious against the odds.

CAMPUS NOTES

GEORGE RIDEOUT'S CINDERELLA : THE MUSICAL DELIGHTED AUDIENCES YOUNG AND OLD



Tim Doherty

The Drama Department pulled out all the stops to present *Cinderella: The Musical*, a grand spectacle of music, dance, elaborate sets, lavish costumes, and fast-paced action. Adapted from the fairytale by **George Rideout** (Drama), *Cinderella* is a musical rendition of the classic story. **Greg Tuck** (Drama) directed, **Jamie Crooks** (Philosophy) and **Fannie Gaudette** (Music) arranged the music, and **Corey Bowles** provided expert choreography. This production set an all-time record high for audience attendance.

Bishop's also hosted a symposium: *The Cinderella Perplex*. **Dr. Shelly King** (Queen's), **Dr. Matthew Grenby** (Newcastle University UK) and Bishop's own **Dr. Jack Eby** (Music) presented their recent academic work on the *Cinderella* fairytale.

BISHOP'S STUDENT SECURED A COVETED SPOT IN *THE NEXT 36*



Philippe Vennes was chosen from over 300 applicants to participate in *The Next 36*, a prestigious entrepreneurial leadership

program launched through the University of Toronto.

Philippe, who's graduating in Finance and Economics in May, will join 35 Canadian undergraduates for a challenging eight-month program designed to foster a new generation of Canadian business leaders.

Participants in *The Next 36* will work in teams of four to develop a new business venture. Each team will be given \$50,000 in capital as well as access to mentorship from business leaders and technical support to help invent, launch and sell a product or service for a mobile environment.

Participating students receive a full scholarship for the program.

BUSINESS STUDENTS CAME 2nd IN PRESTIGIOUS COMPETITION

Three students from the *Williams School of Business* took second place honours in Canada's longest running and most prestigious undergraduate case competition – the Inter-Collegiate Business Competition (ICBC) hosted by Queen's University.

The team of **Maxime Brisebois-Lemelin**, **Stefan Lemieux**, and **Philippe Vennes** was one of six chosen for the final round from a field of 40 university teams. Joining Bishop's in the finals were McGill University, National University of Singapore, Okanagan College, University of Calgary, and Wilfrid Laurier University.

In the ICBC Final Round, teams received a case study about an engineering and environmental consulting firm. Each team had five hours to analyze and prepare solutions to problems identified in the case study, followed by a presentation and question period with a panel of industry leaders who judged the competition.

The team from Calgary took first place.

20th ANNUAL OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Bishop's was well represented at the Borough of Lennoxville's Awards night, as members of our community received the following awards:

Arts & Culture: Luce Couture for her exceptional work at Centennial Theatre.

Citizenship & Volunteer Work: Heather Thomson for her leadership and dedication to humanitarian causes.

Business Development: David Monty '71 for his leadership with the Dobson-Lagassé Centre and the important work being done to support/develop local entrepreneurs.

Education: Bill Rourke '68, Corrine Haigh and **BEd students** for the *Individual Differences Conference* that has become a fantastic resource for teachers in the Townships and now the rest of the province.

Heroism: Bert Collins and **Bob Saless** for their efforts to ensure 65 retired nurses were able to make it home safely during the dangerous floods of last October.

HOW TO PITCH YOUR IDEA – SUCCESSFULLY

“Life is a series of pitches,” declared **Dianne Buckner**, host of CBC’s hit reality television show *Dragons’ Den*.

Brought to campus as a guest speaker by BUCS, Buckner provided seven tips to make a successful pitch:



7. Think about the other person’s priorities ahead of time. What’s in it for him or her?
6. Be comfortable talking about your strengths. Or employ the use of “humble” confidence.
5. Simplicity. Be clear, and easy to understand.
4. Understand and utilize the power of the story when explaining your product or service.
3. Know your weaknesses and anticipate any questions about them.
2. Be in tune with trends and current culture as they reflect shifts in consumer behavior.
1. Be persistent.

Following these guidelines won’t guarantee you a spot on the next season of *Dragons’ Den*, but they do provide a basis on how to pitch an idea successfully.

Christian Mathews-Gagne (Business) from Toronto ON
Yun Zhang (Business & Psychology) from Kingston ON

STUDENTS FLOCK TO 2nd ANNUAL ENGLISH CONFERENCE

Bishop’s hosted the 2nd annual Quebec Universities English Undergraduate Conference (QUEUC) in March. Metaphorical ducks flocked from across Canada to participate in it.

The duck (master of sky, land, and water) stands in for the multi-skilled English student as QUEUC’s mascot.

The two-day event of over 100 students and faculty began with an engaging plenary talk by Dr. Thomas Doherty of Brandeis University and ended with a rousing *Poetry Slam*. The rest of the conference was reserved for the voices of students, who shared their English papers and engaged in critical discourse with their peers.

QUEUC showcases the best academic offerings of English undergraduates from across Canada and provides a unique opportunity for students interested in academia.



Dr. Jessica Riddell
(Faculty Organizer)

Melanie Tutino (Honours English)
from Montreal QC

RESEARCH WEEK DRAWS A CROWD

Now in its 6th year, Research Week highlights exciting research that faculty and students engage in throughout the year. Faculty presentations, a poster competition, a book launch, a debate night, and observatory tours are organized in March – making research accessible (and fun!) to our community.



Held at *The Gait* and new in 2011, an intellectually stimulating (and highly entertaining) debate kicked off the Week with a bang. Debating teams (each made up of a professor and a student) squared off on two hot topics: **Dr. Gibert Gagné** (Political Studies) and **Keira Constable** battled **Prof. Chad Gibbs** (English) and **Ronan O’Beirne** over the role WikiLeaks plays in a democratic society, while **Dr. Harvey White** (Religion) and **Mary Jorgensen** faced **Dr. Ginny Stroehrer** (Biology) and **Victor Chatain** on the issue of Physician Assisted Suicide.

A poster competition offered a high point: students presented their research (either their own or in collaboration with professors’ larger projects) to the general public. An interdisciplinary panel of judges awarded prizes based on the scope and scale of the research: **Lauren Oswald** (Psychology), **Eric Blais** (Physics) and **Tony Gkotsis** (Environmental Studies) pictured above took this year’s honours.

Dr. Lorne Nelson received the first annual *Research and Creativity Award* for his outstanding contribution to the field of stellar astrophysics. This award recognizes the outstanding professional accomplishments of our University’s finest researchers, scholars and creators.

FACULTY RESEARCH NEWS

Dr. Valerio Faraoni (Physics), in collaboration with Prof. Salvatore Capozziello, published *Beyond Einstein Gravity: A Survey of Gravitational Theories for Cosmology and Astrophysics*. The book is an “introduction to extended theories of gravity and cosmology, including variational principles, the weak-field limit, gravitational waves, mathematical tools, exact solutions, as well as cosmological and astrophysical applications.”

Dr. Thomas Fletcher (Environmental Studies) and his colleague, Dr. Charles Harper, published *Environment and Society: Human Perspectives on Environmental Issues*, which focuses on the causes of environmental problems from a social science perspective. The book examines factors such as human behaviour, culture, and social institutions, as well as looks at changes that will better support a “sustainable” society in terms of the human-environment relationship.

Dr. Trygve Ugland (Political Studies) published *Jean Monnet and Canada: Early Travels and the Idea of European Unity*. This publication explores the influence of Monnet’s Canadian voyages on his later political achievements with European Unity. Monnet traveled extensively within Canada between 1907 and 1914 as a salesman for his father’s French brandy company.



Robert J. Goldberger '79
VP & Investment Advisor
Macquarie Private Wealth Inc.
and Director, BU Foundation

“Your investment advisor should be able to show you how to make a significant donation without depleting the personal resources you might need or want down the road.”

Charitable giving and financial planning go hand in hand

BOB GOLDBERGER, an investment advisor and vice-president with Macquarie Private Wealth Inc. in Toronto, suggests you should approach charitable giving with the same discipline and planning you apply to the rest of your financial affairs.

“Many individuals give to charities on an ad hoc basis,” says Bob. “Today, you need to adopt a more strategic approach by choosing specific causes you want to support and get involved with – in terms of both your money and your time.”

Incorporating your charitable giving into your financial planning will maximize the amount you can devote to charitable causes as well as ensure you derive the full tax relief from your giving.

Bob advises you to start by identifying one or two favourite charitable causes or organizations and, following that, to sit down with an advisor – or someone from your select charity – to discuss the level of financial support you are willing to consider.

While it is possible to create your own charitable giving plan and fit it into your overall investment and retirement plan, a financial advisor can make sure you do so without jeopardizing your financial future.

“As a Certified Financial Planner (CFP®) with a background in accounting, I try to focus my clients on cost-effective strategies that are simple, tried and true,” observes Bob.

“There are creative, legitimate ways for you to make sizeable donations while using only a relatively small amount of your capital,” he adds.

“Too often, people think they need to be rich and write a big cheque in order to have impact. Your investment advisor should be able to show you how to make a significant donation without depleting the personal resources you might need or want down the road.”

Bob outlined three tax-efficient but often overlooked strategies whereby you can donate more than you might think possible:

1. Donate equities free of tax as a result of changes to federal tax policy. You may have owned stocks for years so may face a large tax bill if you sell (rather than donate) them.
2. Gift your RRSP or RRIF and eliminate taxes owed upon the collapse of these plans. You can name the charity as the beneficiary or name your estate and then include a bequest equal to the value of the RRSP or RRIF.
3. Buy a *life insurance policy and name a charity as the beneficiary. “Buying *life insurance may not be as gratifying as donating when you are alive, but you get tremendous leverage through insurance and ultimately can make a substantial donation.”

“As a Director of the Bishop’s University Foundation, I wish to stress that charitable donations of any amount are very valuable to, and much appreciated by, your University – and any other charity of your choice,” concludes Bob.

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My University: where purple and poutine are a way of life

BISHOP'S UNIVERSITY HAS BEEN MY HOME for the past four years. And now, after four years in the bubble, I'm graduating in May.

Although the words "convocation" and "next year" have been taboo in the social circles of the Class of 2011 for months now, it's time to face the music. The exam schedule has been posted, the application to graduate has been filled out, and we must now confront the inevitable: our last official day at Bishop's looms.

And – perhaps more terrifying – the last official day at Bishop's leads directly to the first official day of the "real world." Well, I'm not really joining the "real world." Not just yet, anyway. I'm heading to grad school.

My four years at Bishop's have instilled in me a love of old books and research papers. This kind of "nerdy" passion, along with the support and guidance from my professors, has made me feel prepared to leap into a graduate program, where old books and research papers will continue to engross me.

The process of applying to graduate school reminds me of my final year of high school in Moncton when I was choosing a

university. I'd heard about Bishop's from a friend of a friend: after perusing the BU website I was intrigued by the English program, the possibility of going on an international exchange, and a small school that wasn't in my backyard. When Admissions sent my acceptance letter, *we* (yes, the whole family came along for the adventure!) climbed into our minivan and headed to Bishop's. Eleven hours, a blizzard, and several Tim Hortons' breaks later, we made it to our hotel in Sherbrooke.

When I first saw McGreer, covered in snow, I thought, "Oh my God, I'm going to Hogwarts!!" For my generation who grew up on the Harry Potter franchise, the resemblance of Bishop's to the wizardry school is a huge selling point.

I may not have learned how to conjure spells or mastered the art of flying the Nimbus 2000, but my Bishop's years have been magical. The magic came from venturing to Grec at 2 a.m. because you must have poutine, taking a break from studying to play hide-and-seek in the Library basement, attending small seminar classes where you finally "get" poetry, or drinking the infamous Godfather punch at English Department parties while rubbing elbows with your professors.

I fell in love with Bishop's at first sight, and my love affair has deepened over time. Just like any new relationship, there were first day jitters, sweaty palms, and nerves. But the people I met were going through the same jitters and we bonded quickly over football games, residence life, breakfasts at Pizzaville, nights in and nights out: these memories will last my lifetime.

I've been challenged with seminars on topics from Milton to Superman, and I've grown by leaps and bounds as both a student and a person. Sure, I've been fed up and frustrated on occasion. Too many long hours in the basement of the Library, not enough sleep, looming deadlines, and a diet of Doritos and coffee can make a person crazy. But it's all part of the experience.

Bishop's takes you in, loves you, nurtures you, supports you, and demands excellence – just like any good relationship. And, before you know it, four years are gone and you own more pieces of purple clothing than any normal person should. If I were to sit down and write a memoir of my time at Bishop's, I would probably come back with something longer and crazier than a novel written by Dickens himself. Who knows? Maybe one day I will (don't worry, I'll change the names).

On May 28th, when I graduate, I'm probably going to cry a little...okay, maybe a lot...but even though I'm sad to leave, I couldn't be happier because I know I will always have Bishop's. Although I'm leaving my own little piece of purple paradise, I am leaving with amazing friends, a love of learning, a taste for poutine, and at least five different editions of the *Norton Anthology of English Literature*.

As I enter the "real world", I also become a BU alumna and join an incredibly loyal network of BU alums who've had the same experiences, drank the same purple kool-aid, know the same words to the song we learned on our first day as "froshies" and maintain lifelong ties to our University.

Raise a toast to the Class of 2011 and to Bishop's University!

Allison Goff '11 (Honours English) from Moncton NB



MY SPACE

This feature will appear regularly to show Bishop's individuals in their favourite places – off and on campus.



Frederic Hore

Good things are brewing in the space on Queen Street that for years was home to *Village Grec*.

Drama Professor **Greg Tuck** enjoys a latte at Lennoxville's newest study spot, **La Brûlerie de Café Lennox**, as he examines set and prop drawings for Bishop's production of *Cinderella: The Musical*.

Johnson science labs reopen: an investment in today's students – who will become tomorrow's doctors, teachers, researchers and other professionals



Frederic Hore

THE SCIENCE LABORATORIES officially reopened in March following extensive renovations to the Johnson Science Building. Financial contributions of \$4.4 million, contributed equally from the federal and provincial governments through the Canada-Quebec Knowledge Infrastructure Program Agreement, made the renovations possible.

Opened in 1965, the labs had not undergone significant renovations since. They now meet current educational and safety requirements, including the strict standards of today's building and fire codes. Ventilation and energy efficiency have also been improved, while new furniture and fixtures have been added to ensure that these laboratories will meet the needs of students for decades to come.

Additionally, over \$600,000 has been invested in new laboratory equipment, thanks in part to the generous support of individual and corporate donors such as Bristol-Myers Squibb and Merck Frosst.

The new labs will help attract prospective science students to Bishop's. VP Academic Michael Childs noted "... the last count in early March showed that applications in Natural Sciences are up 36% over last year – which is a remarkable statistic."

Not just a face lift: the chemistry lab below boasts new, larger fume hoods – tripling the space available to students.



Craig Leroux '04

BEFORE



AFTER

Don't make us Google you!

We know when you receive this magazine you turn first to the back pages to read about your friends. Why not make our work a bit more interesting? Instead of learning about your achievements in the newspaper, or through Internet searches, we would LOVE to hear from YOU. Let us know what's happening in YOUR LIFE. We want to hear about YOUR JOB. YOUR MARRIAGE. YOUR CHILDREN. We want to know what cool things you – or your classmates – have been up to. Exotic trips? Intriguing professional or volunteer activities? Chance encounters?

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OR visit **www.ubishops.ca/alumni**

Gaiters



Tony Addona (Director of Athletics), Andrew Jamieson, Jessy Roy '11, Jesse Andrews '11, Mike Dube, Taylor Wade, Karl Hunting '01, Wally Denver '61 (Athletic Advisory Board)

Male Athlete of the Year: Jesse Andrews, Football, and Mike Dube, Lacrosse – the first co-winners of this award since 1998.

Andrews was a five-year starter at quarterback who became the first Bishop's passer to hit the 6,000-yard mark. The Sociology major finished as the Gaiters' career leader in passing yards (6,560), attempts (874), completions (490) and touchdowns (30). This year, he threw for a career-high 1,626 yards and six touchdowns, along with rushing for three more majors.

Dube, a 4th year Sports Studies major, led the lacrosse team to an 8-2 record and a first-place finish. He tied for the league lead in goals (29) and points (39), as the Gaiters advanced to their first league semifinal in three years. He was named the *CUFLA Most Valuable Player, Most Valuable Attackman*, and an *East Division All-Star*.

Female Athlete of the Year: Jessy Roy, Basketball

Roy, a fourth-year point guard, won this title for a second time. Returning from an injury she led the Gaiters in scoring (12.1 points per game) and rebounding (4.2 per game). She finished sixth in the province in scoring and was also among the league leaders in assists, steals and assist-to-turnover ratio. Roy was named a *Second Team All-Star*, her third career all-star nod, and was the league's nominee for the *Tracy McLeod Award*.

Female Freshman of the Year: Taylor Wade, Soccer / Hockey

Wade, who participated in the 2009 Canada Summer Games, immediately stepped into the Gaiters' starting lineup and became a force in the midfield. She picked up a goal and an assist this year, and was named the team *MVP* twice during the winter indoor season. In between the outdoor and indoor soccer seasons, Wade also played for the Polar Bears hockey team.

Male Freshman of the Year: Andrew Jamieson, Rugby

Jamieson started all six games at full back. The Business major became a force in the backfield and was named a *Quebec University Rugby Union All-Star*. Jamieson is also a member of the Quebec under-20 provincial team, where he scored a pair of tries in two games last summer.

Golf tournaments

Gaiter Classic @ Milby
Friday, June 3, 12:30 p.m. shotgun

Alumni & Friends @ Angus Glen, Toronto
Friday, June 24, 1:30 p.m., south course

Register today at www.ubishops.ca/alumni

Male Academic Student-Athlete: Zak Buis, Football

Buis, a fourth-year linebacker, closed out his career with strong performances on the field and in the classroom. Buis posted an 85% average in the past two years, while completing his BA in Honours English, concentration in Film, Culture and Media Studies and double minor in Film Studies and Fine Arts. On the field, Buis made 16 tackles, one interception and a sack in nine games.

Female Academic Student-Athlete: Katie Allen, Rugby

Allen has been a pillar of the Women's Rugby team throughout her five-year career. Studying to become a teacher, she earned an 86% average this year, is a three-time member of the academic honour roll, and won the *Charles A. Shearson Memorial Prize* in 2009. Allen is three-time winner of the *Women's Rugby Team Award* for dedication and is also a three-time *Academic All-Canadian*. Allen was a finalist this year for the *Quebec Foundation for Athletic Excellence* student prize in leadership.

Ray Almond Award: Karl Hunting

The *Ray Almond Award* is given annually to a dedicated member of the Bishop's Athletic Community who rises above the expected to deliver an invaluable service for Gaiter Athletics. Karl Hunting served as the Head Coach of the Polar Bears women's hockey team for 15 years before retiring last year. He spent countless hours on the ice, on the phone, and behind the wheel to ensure the team continued to flourish. Hunting also served as the Gaiters' golf coach in 2007.

John Edwards
Sports Information Officer





FALL HOMECOMING

SEPTEMBER 22-24, 2011

REUNIONS

- 40th – Classes of '70, '71, '72, '73 & '74
- 50th – Environmental Studies & Geography
- 50th – Political Studies Department
Saturday, September 24
5 - 10 p.m. @ Uplands

GOLF

Homecoming Tournament
Friday afternoon, September 23

GAITER ACTION

- Men's Lacrosse**
Thursday, September 22
- Women's Soccer**
Women's and Men's Rugby
Friday, September 23
- Men's Football**
Saturday, September 24 vs Montreal

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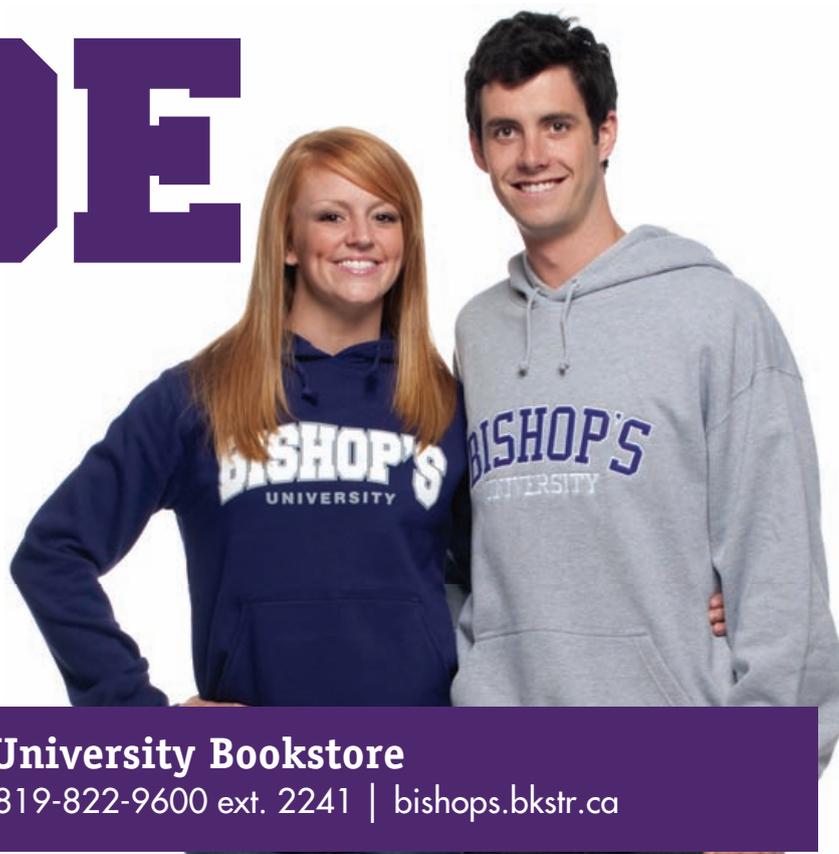
- Gaiter Gardens - Retro Night**
Friday, September 23
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Marriages



Bernier-Lambie: Shanna '11 to Gordon '10 on September 17, 2010 (Homecoming weekend) on the steps of McGreer. James Weaver, Maggie Mulrooney, Bruce Lambie '07, Gordon Lambie '10, Shanna Bernier '11, Sabrina Grey, Hayley Bernier, Rachel Lambie.



Buckley-Willson: Amy '07 to Matthew '09 on June 12, 2010 at St. Charles Borromeo Church in Shannonville ON. front: Sarah Doran '03, Matthew Doran '05, Melanie Cooke '08, Amy '07, Jennifer Anderson Ulmer '07, Brandon Ulmer '07, Brian Pearl '07 back: Ashley Lawrence '07, Brendon Ellis '07, Roy McNeil '06, Matthew '09, Brad Gorski '10 (hands in air), Anthony Gauthier '07.

Bell-Bevan: After 16 years together, MaryAnn Bell '95 and David Bevan (Vice Principal 1992-96) were married in a private sunset ceremony on September 4, 2010 on the island of Santorini in Greece. No photo.



LeCain-Simboli: Liz '07 to Andrew '06 on July 24, 2010 at Oak Island Resort and Spa, in Western Shore NS. Clockwise: Lori D'Aoust '06, Liz Coolen '07, Sara Limpert '06, Elisa Traficante '07, Nick Sovran '05, Derek Peacock '05, Cole Gehring '07, Nancy Blampied '06, Michelle Saykaly '05, Greg Stephens '05, Kevin Larocque '07, Allison Tinmouth '08, Brad Henderson '09, Stefanie Baldwin '08, Amanda Hodgkinson '07, Allison Aitken '07, Mike DesLauriers '08.



Russo-Fiore: Cristina to Ross '03 on March 6, 2010. front: Andrea Chiamarida '02, Melanie Wilson '95, Cristina, Ross '03, Katrina Blanchard '03, Sandra Kuchta '03 middle: Marlena Szpunar '03, Ed Fiore '07, Rebecca Hagen '04, Kristina Copestake '02 Back: Donald Ross '71, Meghan Hargreaves '08, Ross Wilson, Will Sharp '03, Geoff Conrad '02.



Stachura-Burrige: Dorothy '03 to David '01 on September 11, 2010 at the *Côtes d'Ardoises* winery in Dunham QC. back: Caitlin Mahoney '05, Will Burrige '06, Jaffray Hill '02, Stephen Gendron '01, Graham Colby '03 (blocked), Simon Ginger '01, Darren Smith '00 (blocked), Adrian Seligman '02, Matt Legault '03, Jeff Preston '02, Beth Saunders '03 (blocked) middle: Janeen Abougoush '03, Christa Peters '99, Stephan Chapheau '04, Rob Trainor '02, Chris Roop '01, Sven Byl '01, Laura Parker '00, Krista Bradley '00, Laura Deyell '03, Jen Waslen '03, Amber Branny '03, Natalie Doucet '01 front: Dorothy and David sitting.

Births



Bigler-Thomas: to Natalie and Roger '97 a daughter, Sydney Ava, on April 25, 2010 in Orangeville ON. A sister for Mackenzie.



Laplante-Mills: to Jennifer '00 and Mike '00 a son, Lachlan, on July 14, 2010. A brother for Liam, 3 ½.



Pusiak-Dubeau: to Natalie '97 and Laval '97 a son, Everett John, on Aug 30, 2010 in Richmond Hill ON. A brother to Ethan, 6, and Elliot, 2 ½.

Downey-Burns: to Cara and Steven '97 a daughter, Elizabeth Mary Rose, on December 3, 2010. A sister for Jonathan.



Legault-Fearon: to Darlene '04 and Nicholas a son, Colton Peter, on August 17, 2010. Nephew to Jessica Fearon '05 and Joel Heath '04.



Suzuki-Cassar: to Julia '00 and Jason a daughter, Madeleine Renee Misao, on July 6, 2010. A sister for Jacob, almost 3, and Emily, 16 mos. Granddaughter to Jayne Pearston Suzuki '68 and niece to David Suzuki '03.



Howse-Haile: to Allison '97 and Dave a son, Brook Dawit Garry, on September 6, 2010 in Calgary AB. A brother for Gabriel, 2 ½.



Lessard-Caux: to Jenny '08 and Gabriel a daughter, Eliane, on August 28, 2010 in Quebec City.



Tobin-Liverpool: to Sarah and Duane '97 a son, Ethan Tobin, on December 28, 2010.



van Schaayk-O'Donnell: to Erin '03 and Chris '03 a daughter, Gemma Lucie, on October 31, 2010 in Ottawa.



Ladouceur-Duini: to Erin '01 and Daniele a daughter, Giorgia, on brother Niccolò's 3rd birthday, November 27, 2010, in Ottawa.



Michel-Lake: to Crystal '04 and Patrick a son, Logan, on March 8, 2010.



Mysak-Taylor: to Claire '00 and Dennis a son, Neil Canyon, on July 31, 2010 in Sherbrooke.

Deaths

Anne E. Barnett '60 on December 24, 2010 in Montreal. Daughter of the late **Rev. James Barnett '29**.

David Brigham '69 of Picton ON on November 11, 2010. Father of **Rhys '95**.

Louise Chevalier '53, DCL '90 on December 13, 2010 in Montreal. Dr. Chevalier created the first Infantile Leukemia Clinic in Canada at the Montreal Children's Hospital in 1962. Her dedication and hard work dramatically improved the morbidity rate in children who had only a few months to live. She also collaborated in writing scientific articles with other researchers. She was nominated *Woman of the Year* in the domain of science and *Grande Dame* in the Order of the Knights of Malta in 1984. Dr. Chevalier was nominated Officer of the Order of Canada in 1987.

Rev. Dr. Robert Crouse, professor at Bishop's (1960-63), on January 15, 2011.

Evelyn Duval on Jan.4, 2011. Wife of late **Prof. Errol Duval '42, DCL '83** and mother of **Greg '74** and **Catherine '75**. Evelyn participated in many aspects of campus life, especially in the operation of the Faculty Club.

Jane Cleasby Forrest '73, wife of **Bruce Forrest '73**, on December 17, 2010 in Brandon MB.

Jim Keith '57 of Berwick NS on February 23, 2011. Chancellor of Mount Allison University (2001-04) and distinguished educator, he received a DCL from Mt. A. in May 2010.

Louise Jamet on February 13, 2011. Professor Jamet worked tirelessly for the Fine Arts Department of Bishop's for twenty-three years and was instrumental in establishing off-campus Fine Arts programs in Stoke, Asbestos, Sutton and, more recently, St. Lambert and Knowlton.

Rev. Canon Hugh A. Mortimer '40 on October 4, 2010 in New Brunswick.

Mary Ardelle Burns Scott '47 on November 26, 2010 in Pointe Claire QC, widow of the late **William Scott '48**.

David Sorensen peacefully at his home in Montreal on February 17, 2011. Sorensen, Professor Emeritus Fine Arts, taught visual art at Bishop's from 1981-2000. During his long career as an accomplished artist, he exhibited across Canada and in Switzerland, France, Italy, Japan, China, Mexico and the US.

Walter Stephan on January 22, 2011 from the complications of lymphocytic leukemia. Dr. Stephan arrived at Bishop's in 1999 as a sessional professor in the Department of Physics. During his tenure, he was promoted to Full Professor and was widely respected in the scientific community for his research in the area of Solid State physics. He published many papers and was funded by the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council throughout his career.

Tributes

In Memory of:

Shelley Arthur

Robert Arthur

Roger Boothroyd '38

Karin Harp

Gower Bradshaw '77

Elizabeth Griffiths '54

Julie Bradshaw '80

Mac '47 & Lucille Bradshaw

Elizabeth Griffiths

Rodney Brand '42

Muriel Brand '45

Lorraine Smith Codère '53

Elizabeth Griffiths '54

Virginia Cowan '95

Laurie Scott '95 & Charlie Orchieson '94

Andrea Timlin '95

Robert Crouse

Ronald '62 & Andrea Hunt

Duncan Eastman '68

Ross Howard '68

James Ferrabee '57

Glyn '57 & Allison '56 Edwards

Jim Keith '57*

Ian Watson '54

Four Shades of Purple

Julie Davidson

Stewart Graham '00

Robert Arthur

Ian & Cheryl Graham

Ian Gregory '51

Mary Gregory '80

Wayne Hall '31, DCL '78

Denis & Florence Hall

*deceased

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Janeen Abougoush '03

Jamie Beddis '04

Jennie Booth '03

Stephan Chapheau '04

Jessica Craig '04

Rob Dyer '03

Stacey Farber '02 & Adrian Robinson '03

Rebecca Hagen '04

Kelly Hammond '02

Sarah Lowden '03

Arash Madani '02

Caitlin Mahoney '05

Michael Mahoney '04

Johanna Malley '03 & Tony Hoffmann

Stephanie Malley '05

Jennifer Morrissey '04

Jackson Orr '03 & Vanessa Silverberg '03

Matthew Somerville '03

Jessica Spence '03 & Brad Cutsey '97

Sarah Stewart '02 & Charles Godbout '02

Jen Vander Herberg '02 & Stu Mercier '04

Jennifer Waslen '03

Liz Harvey '96

Kerry Shuttleworth '94

Tim Wallace '95

Stewart Hopps

Judy Hopps '69

Kate Huntington '94

Terry & Barbara Huntington

Brenda Caplan Hurst '54

Judith Nelson '55

Sydney Jellicoe

Ronald '62 & Andrea Hunt

Robert Jones

Hazel Carson '75

Norah Moorehead DCL '88

David Jones '76

Muriel Morris

Terry Hambrook

Diane Murphy '80

Mary Gregory '80

Sean Smith '80

Tony Preston

Sarah Preston

Lyman Roberts '49

Ian Watson '54

David Savage '42

Susan Baumann '69

Peggy Savage

William Savage '71

Wyatt & Louise Savage

Sydney Taylor

Martin Taylor '66

Roger Taylor '60

Don Wells '55

Ian Watson '54

Rachelle Wrathmall '99

Kylie Côté '99 & Dale Davidson '93

Kimberly McKell '93

André Parent

In Honour of:

Birthday of Al Bell '72

Wyatt & Louise Savage

Michael Goldbloom & Fiona Macleod

Peter & Susan Restler

Hugh DCL '99 & Paule Scott

Lise Ouimet

Renée Ouimet



Through the Years



It is with great sadness that the University learned of the passing of former Principal **Dr. Christopher I. H. Nicholl** (DFC, PEng, PhD, FCASI, DCL) on February 28, 2011 in Fredericton NB.

Dr. Nicholl was born in Winnipeg and raised

in Saskatchewan. He attended Ridley College and earned a bachelor's degree in Engineering Physics at Queen's University. During the latter years of WWII he served in England with the Royal Air Force Bomber Command.

After the war Dr. Nicholl returned to academic life, earning two doctorates: one in Aeronautical Engineering from University of Toronto and one in Physics from Cambridge. He began his professional career with the National Research Council in Ottawa. In 1956 he became a professor of Mechanical Engineering at Université Laval, where he took on leadership roles as head of the Faculty and a member of the *Conseil de l'Université*.

In 1976 Dr. Nicholl became the 14th Principal & Vice-Chancellor of Bishop's University. In an environment in which governments and media were united in urging universities to produce "trained manpower," he made sure Bishop's remained true to its original mission: to offer a broadly based liberal education.

His number one priority when he took over in 1976 was the survival of the institution. The arrival of the CEGEP system had cut enrolment in half; this decline led to faculty and staff insecurity.

During Dr. Nicholl's ten year term student numbers slowly increased, staff and faculty morale improved, and proper publicity and advertising increased the University's visibility. Despite back breaking budget cutbacks at all levels of education, the future of Bishop's looked more stable in 1986 when he retired.

Bishop's awarded Christopher Nicholl an honorary doctorate in 1986 for his significant contributions to the University.

After retirement, he spent seven years researching the history of Bishop's, culminating in the 1995 publication of his book *Bishop's University 1843-1970*.

Christopher Nicholl was married to Margaret Harding and was the father of five children.

Friends

Fiona Reid DCL '06 – one of Canada's leading ladies of the stage – received an award of excellence in February from ACTRA Toronto for "her outstanding body of work and for her longtime advocacy on behalf of performers."

1950s

Robert Hayden '51 and **Jean McLachlan Hayden '51** are both retired and living in southern Virginia in a lovely college and university town named Farmville. Bob retired from teaching Physical Geography at Longwood University in 1997 and then did Interim Ministry for ten years until his health caused him to retire. We were so happy to be able to attend our 50th reunion in 2001 – hard to believe that in 2011 it will be 60 years since graduation. We continue to have wonderful memories of our years at Bishop's and wish our grandchildren could have followed the Hayden family in attendance." Bob's father **Ralph** graduated in 1910, his brother **Ralph Jr.** in 1941.



Nancy Pond Matthews '57, John Matthews '57, Allison Perry Edwards '56, Glyn Edwards '57, Susan Pepall Ross '57, Chris Edwards '95 at the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Allison and Glyn.



Home in Montego Bay: **Mieke Koppen-Tucker '74, Dr. Gerald Tucker (Political Studies),** and guests **Sonia Moffat** and **Katherine Ewing Moffat '46**.

1960s

In October 2010 **Barrie Wilson '61** gave a presentation hosted by the department of Religious Studies to students, faculty and community members at Bishop's. Barrie discussed "How We Got the Church." Author of *How Jesus Became Christian* (Random House, 2008), Barrie will publish another book intended for a general audience called *The Lost Gospel* (HarperCollins) in late 2011 to coincide with a History Channel documentary. Barrie is Professor Emeritus and Senior Scholar, Religious Studies, York University.

Bill Rice '68 was named Chairman of the Canadian Securities Administrators (CSA) in January 2011.

Through the Years

1970s

Michael Cahill '72 is senior Vice-President, General Counsel and Assistant Secretary with TCW Funds Inc. – TWC Emerging Markets Equities Fund in Los Angeles CA.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper appointed **Larry Smith '72** as a Senator in December 2010. “[He is a] well-regarded and visible figure in the community who will bring a wealth of experience in business, philanthropy, sport and community initiatives to his new role.”

Nancy Baldwin '76 received the *Donald Patrick Award* for exceptional service to the community. The award was given out by the Borough of Lennoxville.



Bruce Stevenson '76, Jennifer (Giddings) Richards '72, Michael (Oscar) Dudgeon '76 and David (Suitcase) Simpson '72 met up in Sydney, Australia. Bruce said “*The Quads* came out and provided much nostalgia and laughter about the way we were...40 years ago.”

1980s

Ian Pennell '82 is senior Vice-President, Small Business Technology Group with CISCO Systems in California.

1990s

Brian Allatt '90 received the *Urbanism Award* from the Borough of Lennoxville for restoring the Elmwood Hotel.

Christopher Irwin '90 has been named Corporate Secretary and Legal Counsel of Rae-Wallace Mining Company.

Gerry Morris '92 CFA has been named Director of Equity Product Management in Canada.

Janice Wigmore O'Leary '95 started her own online counselling service. www.4healingheartsandminds.com

CMA de l'Estrie has named **Eric Bergeron '96** the *CMA of the Year* 2010 for Estrie. Eric is the Principal Director, Service to Businesses, for Estrie with the Business Development Bank of Canada.

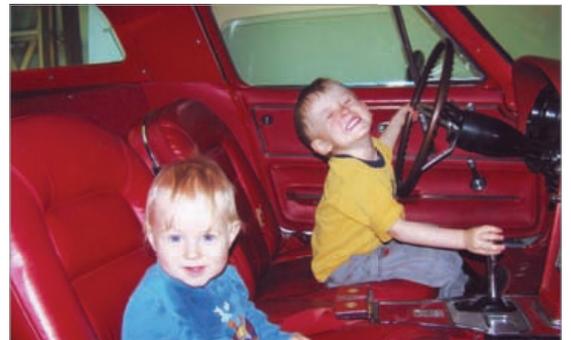
A large portion of the financial community sported mustaches in the *Movember* campaign in which guys grow a 'stache to raise money and awareness of Prostate Cancer Canada. The event began five years ago in Australia and has attracted a huge following since then. CIBC investment banker **Steve Losty '96** headed the top *Movember* fundraising team on the planet, narrowly shaving rival Australia for first place.

Trevor Lovig '96 moved to Montreal in 2011 to work at CAE (flight simulators/pilot training) as VP Human Resources for their civil business. “My family and I are very excited about the adventure and opportunity.” trevor.lovig@cae.com

The Borough of Lennoxville gave the *Sports Award* to head coach **Robbie Fisk '97** and the Galt Pipers Hockey Team for their provincial championship season.



Jennifer Furlong presented at the International Institute for Restorative Practices conference in Hull, England. At the end of the presentation someone approached her, and they quickly figured out both had attended Bishop's. **Jennifer MacMaster Furlong '95**, and **Kate Waters '95** in Hull on the last day of the conference. Kate is an education lawyer in Toronto. Jennifer is Executive Director of Cumberland Community Alternatives Society in Amherst, NS. katewaters@gmail.com jenniferfurlong@eastlink.ca



Sons of **Edmund '97** and **Melissa Kimens**. Pierce born August 3, 2009 and Barron, 3, driving Dad's 1965 Stingray.



Bridget Whipple '03, Tuuli Hannula '02, Crystal Michel Lake '04 (bride in 2008), **Jennifer Jarvis '02, Amanda Coon '06**.

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Through the Years

2000s

Stephen George '00 is a Senior Policy Analyst for Environment and Conservation with the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador.

In January 2011 **Kedrin Simms '00** began working at the National Association of Home Builders as Federal Legislative Affairs Director in Washington DC. She has been given multifamily housing and insurance issues as her legislative portfolio in the states of Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota.

Bradlee Zrudlo '02 is a full time mom with daughter Zara, 2.

Jon Cuthbert '04 accepted a position with Phoenix Alternative High School in Laval QC and since 2006 has taught History, Computers, Media, English, and Integrated Visual Arts/ Introductory Filmmaking. He and **Mike Vivier '06** started the rock and roll band *The Hands Up* and began playing shows in the summer of 2009. *The Hands Up* played Toronto's Hard Luck Bar to an audience augmented by B.U. alumni.

Bear Schaal '04 has been lucky enough to work in film, TV and theatre, performing locally and internationally in Melbourne Australia and the US. Currently he's living and working in Toronto, constantly honing his craft.

Ian Stoddart '05 has been developing his portfolio: writing several feature screenplays and one-act plays. Last year he received a Graduates Certificate in Comedy Writing from Humber College and worked with a production company as a script developer. He's writing several more one-act plays which he hopes to produce and direct next year.

Oliver Ward '05 has been living and working in New York and Toronto, performing in Off-Broadway productions and in films. He studied at the William Esper School of Theatre and The Neighbourhood Playhouse.



BU alumni travelled to the Maasai Mara in Kenya with the organization *Me to We*. **Emily Thériault '05**, **Alison Olson '07**, **Dylan Feldberg**, **Sarah Feldberg '00**, **Maasai guide, Julia Gemmell Stark '07**, and **Bryan Lipscombe '07**.

Travis Black '06 works for the Sports Department of the International Olympic Committee in Switzerland.

Amy Lee Lavoie's '06 play *Rabbit Rabbit* won an award for best text at the Montreal English Critics Circle Awards (MECCA) on November 19, 2010.

Stefan Szary '06 has joined the Board of Directors of Saturn Minerals Inc. (SMI:TSX.V), a junior energy & resources company with projects in Saskatchewan and Manitoba. Stefan recently beat **Richard Leibl-Côte '07** and **Todd Wright '07** in an arm-wrestling competition in Montreal...at the same time. s.szary@gmail.com

Frank Scott McMahon '07 is an Urban Planner with the city of Westmount.

Melody Schaal '07 has been pursuing a career in film and theatre. After a successful tour at the Melbourne International Comedy Festival with her sketch comedy troupe *Toronto on Top*, she moved to Vancouver to work at Relevision Productions, advancing from intern to office manager to producer, while also acting in various productions. Last spring she returned to Toronto where she garnered lead roles in two short films.

Jocelyn Molyneux '08 is Environmental Initiatives Coordinator with Turtle Island Recycling Corp in Toronto.

Jessica Darveau '09 has been awarded the Joseph-Armand Bombardier scholarship from SSHRC to write her thesis on artist Yannick Pouliot. Her areas of research include contemporary art, design, architecture and museum display and her interest lies in interdisciplinary theories such as material culture, semiotics, Marxism and psychoanalysis. Jessica has published "Le théâtre de Quat'sous à Montréal: Une architecture hybride à l'ère du néo-modernisme" on the scholarly website *Palimpsest III: The Dialectics of Montreal's Public Spaces*.

Jennifer Downing Bardati '09 was appointed Commissioner of the Eastern Townships School Board in January 2011.

Gordon Lambie '09 put together a collection of poetry during his last semester at Bishop's and published it as *New Bright Idea* using Lulu.com.

Lisa Shaver '09 is a Pharmacy Auditor with ESI Canada in Mississauga ON.

Andrew Forbes '10 lives in Vancouver BC. theandrewforbes@gmail.com

Alumni Perspectives: companies that ignore government relations do so at their peril.



Duncan Rayner '98
Vice President, Temple Scott Associates Inc.

“Would you wait until your house catches fire before calling an insurance company? Government relations should be approached with the same mindset.”

EXPLAINING THE VALUE OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS is not easy, especially when the theatrics, partisanship and general dysfunction of Parliament is the sum total of most people's exposure to politics. With the exception of procurement, in which a company is selling something to government, it is difficult to point to tangible financial outcomes from engagement in government relations. That can make what is a critical part of any organization's business strategy an easy target for cost-cutting.

That is, however, a mistake. Governments can literally make or break a company. In eight years in this field, I have seen large and successful companies literally pushed to the point of closing up shop in Canada over what, to the average person, would seem an obscure and well-intentioned regulatory proposal. A policy or regulatory change can cost companies dearly. On the positive side, such a change can vastly improve a company's bottom line.

Companies that ignore government relations do so at their peril. Keeping an eye on what government is doing is as important as watching one's competitors. Watching for opportunities to advance your interests is just as important. Fortunately, nothing in government happens quickly, even when it appears otherwise. What may appear like a knee-jerk response to an issue is usually easy to anticipate if you follow government closely.

At a minimum, there are at least two aspects of government relations that all organizations should pursue.

First, constant monitoring of parliamentary debates, committee proceedings, think tank reports and the media provides clues to the emerging issues. Such monitoring needs to be coupled with an understanding of the other forces that influence political decisions, which is gleaned from watching government for an extended period. For example, a recession almost always leads to additional regulatory scrutiny for certain industries.

What happens in other countries is also a key indicator of what may be around the corner in Canada. For example, there are countless cases of regulatory action in the United States creeping north in short order.

The second critical aspect of government relations is regular outreach to the decision-makers who could impact your industry. It is remarkable that there are still companies – and sometimes entire industries – that have never engaged in government outreach. Building relationships with politicians and bureaucrats should be part of annual business planning. No company should assume that people in government understand its business. The mutual sharing of information is vital to the policy-making process; i.e. an organization educating government about what it is doing and the government raising questions or concerns it may have about their particular line of work.

Such outreach is also important from a competitive point of view in case your industry comes under attack. It is difficult for government to make policy decisions if they have not heard your story. Building relationships with government will ensure that officials come to you when an issue arises affecting your company or industry.

This monitoring and outreach can also identify opportunities for your organization to advance policy proposals that would be beneficial.

The above may seem like common sense. However, many companies fail to invest in government relations until it is too late. Would you wait until your house catches fire before calling an insurance company? Government relations should be approached with the same mindset. Monitoring and outreach are your insurance policy against unwanted and potentially crippling regulatory surprises.

Duncan Rayner '98



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