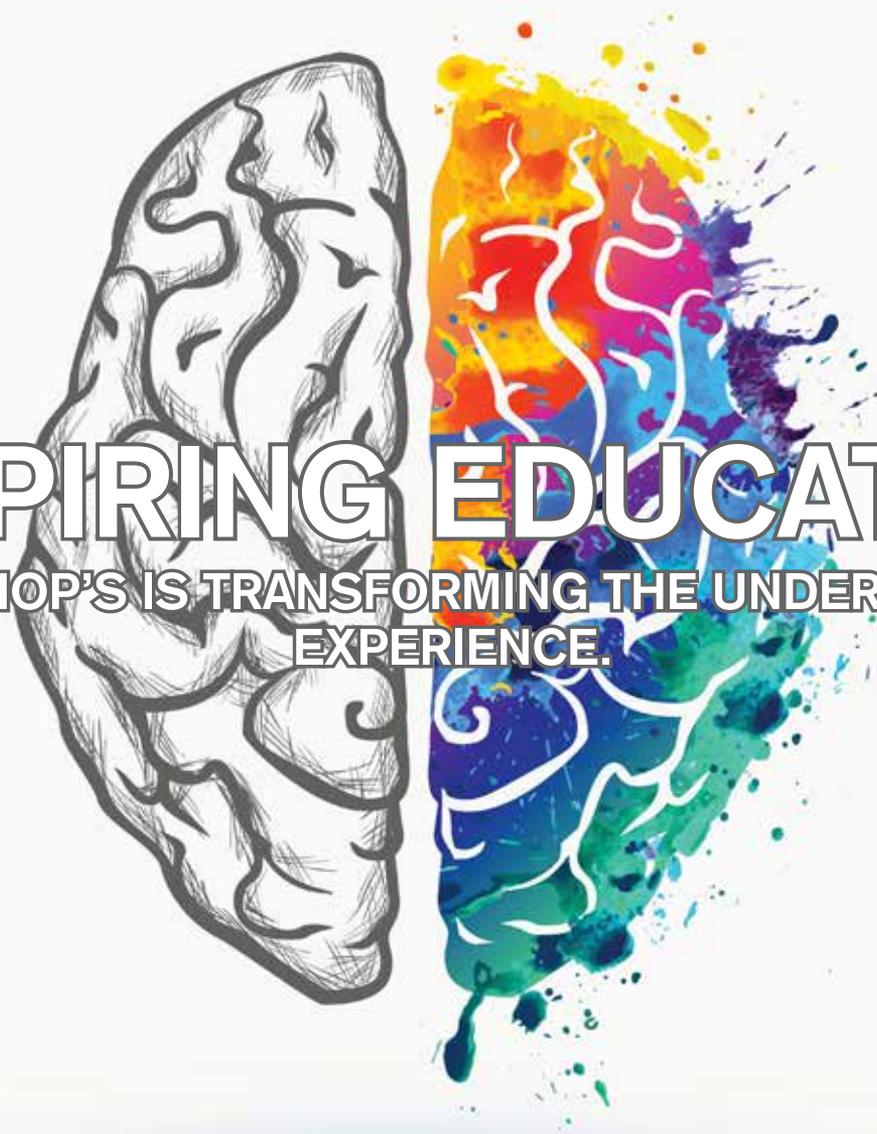


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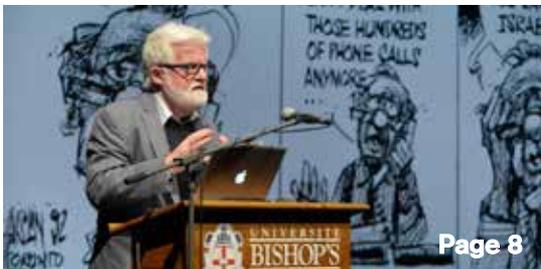
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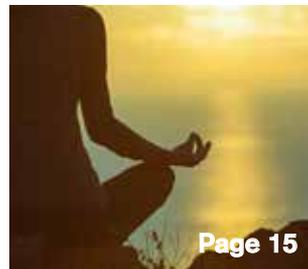
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Where there's a *Will* ...



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In a discussion about professional development, a wise Human Resources executive once told me that I should identify my strengths and weaknesses and focus my energy on strengthening my strengths.

It was good advice which has helped shape our priorities at Bishop's.

We are a multi-dimensional institution but our key strength is the teaching of undergraduate students.

In the 2016 Maclean's magazine university rankings, Bishop's ranked first in Canada for Student Satisfaction and for Quality of Instructors in the Primarily Undergraduate category.

The National Survey of Student Engagement, a survey of 1,000 universities in North America, ranks us in the Top 10 for Supportive Environment, Student-Faculty Interaction, High Order Learning, Quality of Interaction, and Collaborative Learning.

So although we already excel at undergraduate teaching, we want to get even better at it.

That is why I am so pleased about the creation of the Stephen Jarislowsky Chair for Undergraduate Teaching Excellence at Bishop's.

The Jarislowsky Foundation is com-

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mitted to supporting excellence at Canadian universities. It has established 32 endowed chairs in Canada in a variety of fields including governance, democracy, public sector management, the arts, the humanities, business, environment and medicine.

It says a lot about the quality of our faculty and our model of education that the Jarislowsky Foundation chose to establish a chair in undergraduate teaching at Bishop's.

This will be the first fully endowed chair in Bishop's history. (See the article on page 24.)

This year has been one of progress and achievement, but, tragically, it has also been marked by three sudden and devastating losses.

In January, Tuan Luu, a 2nd year Science student from Hemmingford, Quebec, was struck down by a brain aneurysm while training at the gym.

Tuan was a reserved young man when he came to Bishop's. His parents told me that Tuan had few close friends during his time in high school. But that changed when he came to Bishop's. He developed a close circle of friends who cared deeply about him.

Tuan was a kind and gentle soul who his friends described as a good listener.

Mens sana in corpore sano would have been his watchword. He lived in Munster but our fitness centre was his second home.

Tuan is survived by his father, Dr. Chinh Duc Luu, his mother, Dr. Chi Vu and his sister Nha-Thi Luu.

Clinton Munkittrick also died in January in a swimming accident in Thailand.

Clinton was completing a Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Sports Studies and a Minor in Entrepreneurship.

The Munkittricks are a Bishop's family. Clinton's mother Judy '98, his father Michael '73, his sister Kira '99 and his twin brother Patrick '15, are all Bishop's

grads.

Clinton was a talented athlete and a charismatic person who had a remarkable zest for life. As one of his friends said, "Clint's optimism and ability to light up a room were a spectacle to witness..." "He was a true embodiment of what it means to be a Bishop's student."

Dr. Gerry Coulter, a sociology professor, suffered a heart attack in November 2016 at the age of 57.

On the morning after he died when we gathered in the Cleghorn room, a group of his film students were huddled in one corner.

Through her tears one student told me that Dr. Coulter had helped her see film in a new and critical way which would stay with her forever.

One of his former students wrote: "Gerry's teaching allowed students to challenge their own assumptions in ways that pointed them not toward a predetermined end, but toward developing confidence in their own critical thinking ability. This generous, infinite gift – developing one's inner well of strength – will stay with me my entire life."

We have all been in awe of, and inspired by, the courage, determination and positive spirit of his wife and Sociology Department colleague, Dr. Mary Ellen Donnan.

On page 45 Dr. Cheryl Gosselin, Chair of the Sociology Department, describes Gerry's many contributions to the Bishop's community.

At its meeting in May, our academic Senate voted to bestow posthumous degrees on Tuan and Clinton.

We mourn the premature loss of these three well-loved members of the Bishop's community. May their lives be an inspiration and may their memories be a blessing.

- Michael Goldbloom, C.M.



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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22:

Donor Appreciation Event - TD Terrace - 4:30 PM

Gaiters Lacrosse - Coulter Field - 7:30 PM

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23:

Alumni Golf Tournament - Old Lennoxville Golf Club - 2:00 PM

Gaiters Soccer & Rugby - Coulter Field - 4:00 - 8:00 PM

Live Music & Party - The Lion - 9:00 PM

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24:

Pancake Breakfast - Griffin House - 10:00 AM

8th Annual Gaiter Walk for ALS - The Quad - 10:00 AM

Tailgate - Coulter Field - 12:00 PM

Gaiters Football - Coulter Field - 2:00 PM

90's Night at the Gait - The Gait - Post Game

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25:

Morning Service - St Mark's Chapel - 10:00 AM

Brunch - Dewhurst Dining Hall - 7:30 - 11:30 AM

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WHAT YOUR SUPPORT MAKES POSSIBLE

With the close of another fiscal year, once again I am so impressed by and grateful for the incredible support for philanthropy shown by Bishop's community of donors. During the 2016-17 fiscal year, \$7.3 million was receipted through the Bishop's University Foundation, with donations going to an astonishing 260 designations on campus. When you choose to make a gift, we always say that you can support anything on campus that ignites your passion, and we mean it! Donors this year have helped to fund internships, research, experiential learning opportunities, travel bursaries and student exchanges, lectures, athletics, drama, music, the library, departmental initiatives and countless other programs. Many annual fund donors chose to direct their gift to the University's highest priority, enabling Bishop's to continue to build a healthy scholarship program that helps us attract and retain high caliber students. We are indeed fortunate to have such strong support from Bishop's alumni and friends, ensuring that we can continue to enhance all aspects of the Bishop's experience and that the incredible campus environment that our alumni remember so fondly just keeps getting better. Every gift truly does make a difference – thank you.

We are entering the final stretch of our historic Leading the Way capital campaign, to which many annual fund donors have also contributed. This fall will mark the official closing of the \$36-million campaign (which we increased from \$30 million when we reached our original target a year ahead of schedule). The campaign has made it possible to undertake enormous changes on campus, from modernizing the Sports Centre, Library, science labs and residences to funding new student learning opportunities, innovative academic projects and activities to enhance campus life (see page 18). I see firsthand how your generosity benefits our students, and how apprecia-

tive they are of the support that enriches their Bishop's experience on a daily basis. We make it a priority to reach out to every donor personally, and students are active participants in the Advancement Office's efforts; you may have had the opportunity to speak directly with a student who benefits from your support through our student calling program, or perhaps you met a student at a campaign event or at the new home of the Advancement Office on campus, Griffin House. I am privileged to witness so many interactions between students and alumni donors, where the shared Bishop's experience sparks an instant connection.

As a graduate of Bishop's University, you can be very proud of what your support makes possible. Bishop's at 173 is healthy and thriving, with outstanding students and strong leadership. Visitors to campus are consistently excited and impressed when they see what has been accomplished in recent years. Our belief in the Bishop's model of a liberal arts education is unwavering, and we know that it helps to shape young graduates who will go on to make great contributions as citizens. In this issue of the magazine you'll read about those who exemplify the qualities we nurture at Bishop's and who are making a difference in their communities and careers.

The spirit of Bishop's is richer and stronger than ever, and the stage is set for another 173 years of success. On behalf of the Bishop's family, I'd like to invite you to join us this September 21-24 at Homecoming as we celebrate the closing of our campaign and all that it has allowed us to achieve for our great University. We would love for you to come and visit. Thank you for your continued support.

- Matt McBride '96
Director, Alumni Relations &
Development

DONALD LECTURE SERIES

Terry Mosher, better known as Aislin, the Montreal Gazette's political cartoonist, wrapped up the 2016-2017 season of the Donald Lecture Series in March. Made possible by the generous support of alumnus John Donald '60, DCL '12, the series is designed to bring speakers of national and international renown to the Bishop's campus to provide insight, provoke thought, and stimulate debate on the most compelling issues and events in the world today. This year's edition was no exception; joining Mosher this year were Maureen Dowd and Carl Hulse discussing the 2016 American election; TV reporter and hostage survivor Amanda Lindhout on her experiences and the value of freedom; and renowned criminal lawyer Marie Henein, who garnered considerable attention for her defense of Jian Ghomeshi. The Donald Lecture Series will return for its 10th season in the fall. The series is free to the public and available to alumni and parents of current students to stream live online.





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TRUDEAU VISITS CAMPUS

On January 20th, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau paid a visit to the Tim Horton's on campus, taking time to talk with students, staff and faculty as part of the Quebec leg of his cross-Canada tour. While the Prime Minister did not make a major announcement during his visit, Bishop's was the recipient of a \$24.5M infrastructure investment to help renovate the John Bassett Memorial Library (see more on page 32) and several laboratories in the Andrew S. Johnson science building. Principal Michael Goldbloom said of the investment, which is shared between the federal and provincial governments: "These infrastructure investments will dramatically impact the student experience and campus life at our University for decades to come. We will be able to carry out these projects thanks to the support of the federal and provincial governments, as well as the financial contributions of our students, faculty, staff, alumni and partners."

CONVO 2017

On Saturday, June 3, Chancellor Brian Levitt, O.C., presided over the 189th convocation for the class of 2017. The University conferred degrees on 672 members of the graduating class and recognized four notable individuals for their outstanding professional achievements and their service to society. Honorary doctorates in Civil Law were conferred on: William Mitchell, B.A. '68, D.Ed. '70, educator and former principal of Selwyn House School and Bishop's College School; Kathy Reichs, forensic anthropologist, academic, bestselling author and a producer of the television series *Bones*; Reginald Allatt, B.A. '90, CEO of Global Excel Management; and Lynn Pasquerella, President of the American Association of Colleges and Universities and 18th President of Mount Holyoke College. Graduating students Dominique Lavoie and Kate Halliday were selected as valedictorians. Also, on April 5, the graduating class enjoyed a 'Grad Send-Off' that was hosted by the Advancement Office and provided the opportunity for the class of 2017 to network with alumni and faculty. The Advancement Office looks forward to hosting this event next year.





RAISE
A
TOAST



The Bishop's NIBS team (from left to right): Cameron Albert, Maria Paula Gonzalez, Coach Bill Robson, Natasha Paikin, Alexander Lambert.

BISHOP'S MEANS BUSINESS

BY PHIL RICH '17

An annual competition that brings together the best and brightest undergraduate business students, the NIBS (Network of International Business Schools) Worldwide Case Competition is an event that is attended by students, faculty and staff from all corners of the world.

In its 22nd year, the NIBS competition continues to thrive, with 16 teams competing in the 2017 event. Bishop's was one of five Canadian teams participating in this year's competition, which was held from February 26th to March 3rd at the Satakunta University of Applied Sciences in Rauma, Finland.

This year's BU team – Alex Lambert (Saco, ME), Natasha Paikin (Burlington, ON), Cameron Albert (Aurora, ON), and

Maria Paula Gonzalez (Montreal, QC) – was joined by Laurentian, Memorial, Carleton, and Concordia – the school Bishop's would ultimately lose to in the semi-final round of the competition. Led by longtime coach and retired professor Bill Robson, as well as professor Robert Palmer, the Bishop's team qualified in first place for the tournament, but couldn't make it to the finals in the championship round.

Robson, his wife Lissa McRae, and Palmer, the current Williams' School of Business Chair, have been the driving forces behind BU's involvement in the competition. Robson is considered a legend of the competition, a veteran voice whom even the other schools' coaches seek out for advice.

Bishop's celebrated its initial first place finish in 1999 at home in Lennoxville, and has since won NIBS competitions in New Zealand, Norway, and Denmark. The school's most recent victory occurred in Leuven, Belgium, in 2013 when it defeated Memorial University in the final round. The business department hopes to return to the finals in the 2018 edition of the competition, which will be

held in Guatemala City.

For McRae, the New Zealand victory was the most memorable win. "I would say that the win at [Auckland University of Technology] was the most satisfying," she wrote in an e-mail exchange. "Following the final presentation, the judges, several of whom were top level managers with the company on which the case was written, congratulated our team and every student on our team was offered a job!"

Canadian universities have in fact dominated the championship rounds, ultimately bringing home many accolades and awards since the event's inception in 1996. Memorial and Bishop's share the record for having won the championship six times, while Carleton University has emerged as the winner for the past two years.

Robson attributes this to the Canadian approach to teaching business. "We're big on presentations," he told me on a sunny morning in his Bishop's office. "We place a big emphasis on case studies, and the European schools don't teach as much case in their undergraduate classes. They tend to focus on presentations at the graduate level."

The BU team's participation in this prestigious event was funded this year by donations from Bombardier Recreational Products (BRP) and alumni, a personal contribution by Bill Robson and the Williams School of Business. Donations such as these are crucial to the proper development of the NIBS program at Bishop's.

Preparing to take on the best business students from around the globe takes time, dedication, and money, and the organizers hope to be able to count on more and more of these for future competitions.

Interestingly, the NIBS competition has taken on a new light within the last year. With populism increasingly gaining traction in Europe and North America, and the concept of globalization under threat, international competitions such as these assume a new role in the international business community.

The competition is an exercise in competitive camaraderie; a chance for aspiring entrepreneurs, accountants, and investors to present new ideas in a competitive environment and form new relationships in the process. It inspires cooperation, ultimately promoting a collaborative and practical approach to solving the problems of the business world in an approachable setting.

It is also a chance for participants to form valuable connections with fellow business students, and create relationships with other schools from around the world.

"We pick kids who you know can compete at this level, and work as a team," explains Robson. "The competition allows us to maintain connections with other universities. This way we have easier access to exchanges for students and faculty [at the other participating universities]."

In the end, presenting in front of a panel of established professionals from all facets of the business world can be challenging. But the NIBS competition is a unique and rewarding experience, and is an opportunity that both Bishop's students and professors alike can take pride in.



ZEN & THE BRAIN

BY DR. ADRIANNA MENDREK

I am a psychology professor, researcher and neuroscientist. I am also a long-time yoga and meditation practitioner and instructor. Although these two passions may appear to be mutually exclusive, they are in fact closely related and I've had the pleasure, over the past few years, of delving further into the mysteries that remain to be solved where meditation and the brain intersect.

The benefits of meditation have been reported in multiple studies: meditation seems to decrease physiological and subjective stress, diminish anxiety and depression, and improve quality of sleep. It has also been associated with elongation of telomeres, increased cortical thickness and enhanced brain plasticity, that is, reorganization of the brain in healthy ways. However, very little research has examined the rare – but nonetheless possible – negative or unusual effects of

meditation. The notion that performance improves with practice is a prevalent one in the Western world. The practice of meditation, however, is often non-linear. Meditators can experience a blockage with time, encounter physical or psychological obstacles that must be dealt with, and can perceive such instances as a regression in their meditation practice, a perception that can be troubling or discouraging for some. Moreover, long-term meditators can attain states where their perception of time and space is altered or disappears completely, and where they feel completely interconnected or fully merged with the universe. This is an agreeable and desirable experience for most meditators, but can be distressing for those who feel scared and threatened by a sense of dissolving ego and identity. Without the support of strong meditation leadership and a supportive community, such experiences can leave meditators in an unstable and vulnerable state. My research ultimately aims to explore these phenomena and inform thorough and proper training of meditation teachers.

The first step in examining the unusual effects of meditation was to sur-

vey individuals who practice meditation and compare them to individuals who exercise. Although no major differences were found between the two groups, the survey did reveal that those who exercised and meditated experienced less stress, increased mindfulness, and increased suggestibility (that is, they were increasingly likely to believe what others told them, which may lead us to explore the possibility of a decrease in critical thinking following some forms of meditation) than those who only exercise.

My interest therefore turned to determining how individuals with different personality traits responded to different types of meditation: to be good meditation leaders, instructors must be able to identify the technique that will be the most appropriate and the most effective for each individual (for example, in individuals suffering from a variety of physical or mental health problems, some meditation methods, particularly those involving very long hours of stillness and sensory deprivation, sometimes combined with fasting and lack of sleep, could be harmful). There is a whole range of different styles and types of meditation including focused attention (concentration on a specific object), mindfulness (awareness of bodily sensations, thoughts and feelings), loving-kindness (wishing others and ourselves health and happiness), mantra recitation (for example in transcendental meditation), visualization or the contemplation of different abstract concepts (such as love, compassion, death), to name a few. Most people are unaware that there are all these different styles available and often get discouraged after trying something that perhaps does not fit their personality. Thus, the future studies will examine these associations. One study in particular, which is in preparation in collaboration with UdeS and UQAM, will examine changes in brain connectivity in individuals with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) who are undergoing mindfulness-based intervention. Ideally we would like to examine the effects of two types of meditation to see which one works best in this population.

FORMER GAITERS HONOURED



BY MARTIN ROURKE

Trevor Bennett '82, Cynthia Johnston '91 and Steve King are the newest inductees into the Bishop's University RBC Wall of Distinction. Bennett and Johnston each left their mark on the basketball court while King was the long-time head athletic therapist at the University.

Bennett was a star for the Gaiters men's basketball teams from 1977-82. He led the team in rebounding for five straight years, twice grabbed more rebounds than anyone else in the conference and in 1980-81, he was the nation's leading rebounder. His contributions went beyond cleaning the glass; he led Bishop's in scoring on four occasions. For his efforts he was named team MVP on three occasions and Bishop's University Male Athlete of the Year twice.

After leaving Bishop's, Bennett became a police officer and worked his way through the ranks to where he is today, a sergeant in the Prime Unit. In 1994 he created a basketball league for youth in disadvantaged communities. The program involves over 400 youth and in 2002 he received the Queen's Jubilee Medal from the Governor General for his initiative. In 2003 he was awarded the Black History Month award for exemplary service.

Johnston was a star from the first time she stepped onto the Mitchell Gym court and became one of the best athletes to ever attend Bishop's University. She was a five-time conference all-star from 1987-1991, four-time Bishop's University Female Athlete of the Year, three-time CIAU all-Canadian and two-time conference Most Valuable Player.

Following graduation in 1991, she went to Europe and played professionally and semi-professionally. She was also a member of the Canadian National program for 14 years and in 1996 competed for Team Canada at the Atlanta Olympics.

King found his way to Bishop's after graduating from the University of Western Ontario. He started at Bishop's in 1984 and was the head athletic therapist until 2013. Along the way he was part of numerous conference championships and in 1998 was a member of the national championship men's basketball team.

His career stretched outside of Lennoxville as he was a part of seven different Olympic Games. At the 2006 Olympics in Torino and 2008 Games in Beijing he was the head therapist for the Canadian delegation. King also worked directly with gold medalists Ross Rebagliati and Rosie MacLennan at the Nagano and London games respectively.



FILM B.U.F.F.

BY DR. GREGORY BROPHY

This April, Bishop's University Film Festival (BUFF) held its third annual Gala in Bandeen Hall. The "purple carpet" event featured the year's crop of stu-

dent films, many of which were produced through the English Department's new Digital Filmmaking course. Fourteen short films were screened in competition for nine prize categories, with winners taking home a range of cash prizes and cameras generously provided by the Office of the Dean of Arts and Science. The evening's grand success was Sarah Fournier's "Postmeridiam Alligator Lemon,"

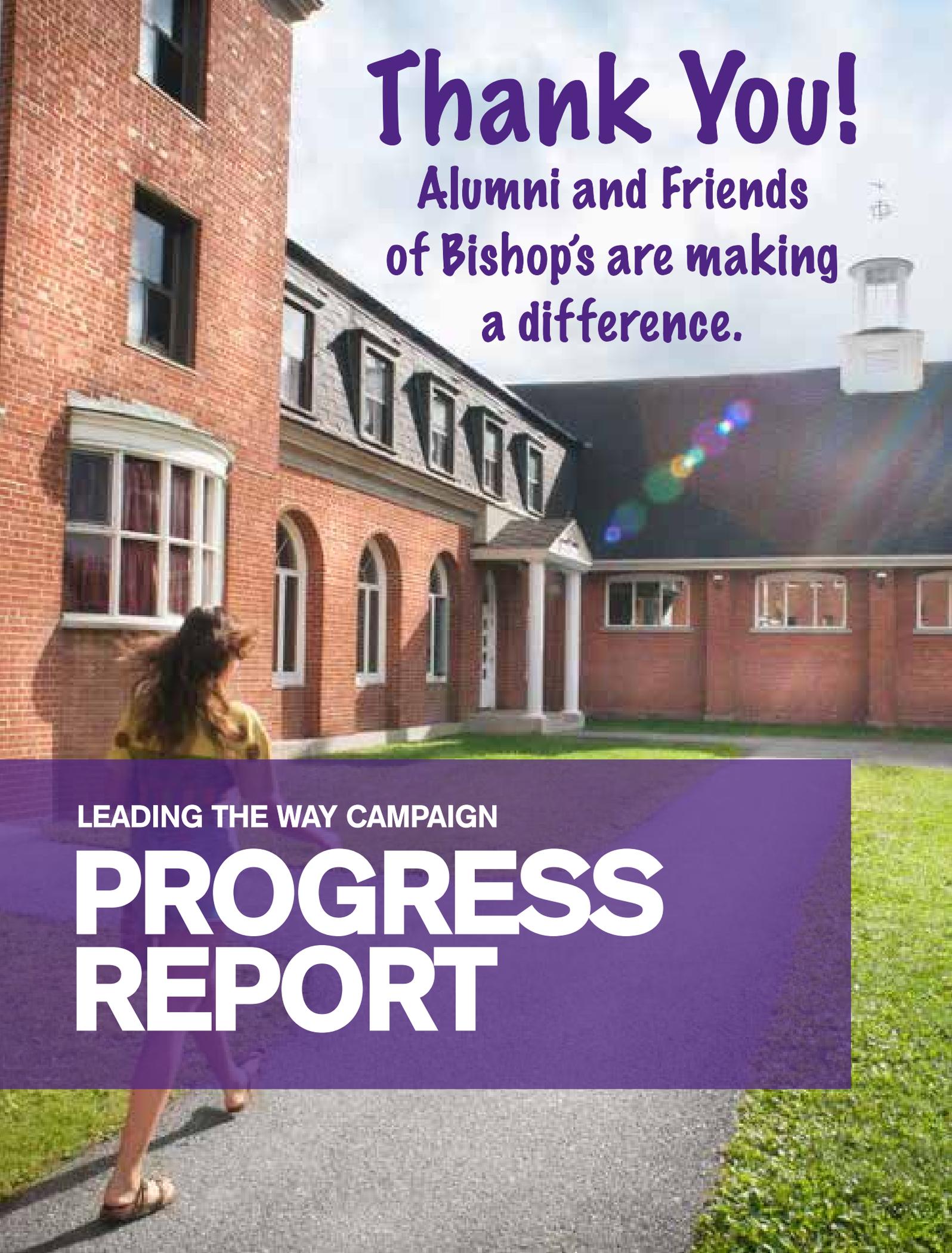
which took home the Audience Choice Award, along with prizes for Best Cinematography and Best Non-Narrative Film. Fournier's film has since screened at the Festival de Cinéma du Monde in Sherbrooke, and will be featured at Montréal's 2017 Festival du Nouveau Cinéma in October. You can find all of the festival's fantastic films (including those featured in past years) on BUFF's YouTube channel.

SHOOT FOR THE CURE

Centred around the annual Shoot for the Cure event, the Bishop's women's basketball team hosted an alumni reunion on Saturday, February 11, 2017. Over 20 former Gaiters returned to Mitchell Gym to support a great cause (the Quebec

Breast Cancer Foundation) and cheer on the 2016-17 team. The Shoot for the Cure fundraiser, which has its roots in Mitchell Gym, raised \$3,277 in support of Ruban Rose. This was made possible thanks to the collaboration of both the women's basketball and women's soccer teams at Bishop's and the generous support of #GaiterNation. Special thanks to Stephan Elkas who matched dollar for dollar for shot prior to the game at the alumni foul shooting contest.





Thank You!

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LEADING THE WAY CAMPAIGN

PROGRESS REPORT

MESSAGE FROM THE CO-CHAIRS

We set a high bar with the \$30 million goal for the Leading the Way campaign.

In 2016, four years into this five-year campaign, we had met our financial goal, but specific pillars like the library and business and entrepreneurship were not fully funded. So we raised the goal to \$36 million.

With gifts and pledges now totaling more than \$34 million, much remains to be done, but we are confident that the powerful momentum we are experiencing, thanks to the generosity of alumni and friends like you, will carry us to successful completion by Homecoming 2017.

As campaign donors ourselves, we're thrilled to see our gifts help Bishop's, and to meet so many of you who, like us, want to do more.

With your support, we will see a university increasingly defined by an enriched student experience and impactful engagement with its communities.

Thank you for joining us in Leading the Way.



Daniel Fournier
Parent & Chairman/CEO,
Ivanhoe Cambridge



Tim Griffin '71
Chair, Connor, Clark &
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Reinventing the Library for today's modern world.

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Sports Centre and Athletics

Equipping the newly-renovated "Plex" with fitness and sports equipment, and supporting athletic programs.

New Initiatives

Addressing new challenges and opportunities.

THE BEST WAY TO GIVE BACK



One of Ross's lifelong passions is hockey: watching, still playing, coaching and following. He has fond memories of outdoor rinks in Sawyerville and Northern Quebec, and had always wanted to build one, but outdoor ice is becoming a rarity these days. Through the 'Bleu Blanc Bouge' program, the Montreal Canadiens Fondation des Canadiens pour l'enfance has begun building outdoor rinks with refrigerated systems in areas where children might not otherwise have the means to play; this past January the first such rink outside Montreal was inaugurated in Sherbrooke, with support from Ross's family. Ross (left) and his older brother Hugh (right) were present for the opening with Habs alumnus Guy Lafleur.

BY SARAH HADDON '01

Although Ross Hunt '81 has been living in Ottawa for nearly two decades, Bishop's and the Eastern Townships remain close to his heart, not just because of his time in Lennoxville as a student, but also through his family's roots and background here. With family ties in Sawyerville and Sherbrooke, Ross wasn't unfamiliar with the area when he

arrived at Bishop's to study accounting, but he found the small campus and close-knit community immediately endearing.

Coming to Bishop's in the late 1970s from one of Quebec's remote areas, living in residence made the most sense; a welcome bonus was the natural sense of belonging and engagement Ross was pleased to discover (first in Norton, then in Kuehner), which defines Bishop's for so many Gaiters. "Living in residence was a blast", recalls Ross.

At the time, the student population was roughly 875, with about 500 or so living on campus. Ross remembers well the unique atmosphere in residence, where students formed strong bonds and developed lasting friendships; he still counts fellow Bishop's graduates among his close friends and loves any chance to catch up with them. He is grateful for both his experience on campus, which allowed him to take full advantage of the many opportunities to get involved

ROSS CONSIDERS HIMSELF FORTUNATE TO BE PART OF AN ORGANIZATION THAT VALUES GIVING BACK SO HIGHLY.

in campus life – indeed, with the student body so small, almost everyone was involved in something!

The course of Ross's life, through his studies and career, has likewise shaped and influenced his views on giving back. Ross was serving as a VP with Price Club when it was acquired by Costco approximately 25 years ago; today, Ross is the VP Finance and head of Human Resources for Costco Canada. Ross credits both his bilingualism, acquired in French-language primary schools, and his early interactions with Costco while serving as an auditor with Coopers & Lybrand (now PricewaterhouseCoopers) as factors that contributed to his present-day success – it was his accounting studies at Bishop's that gave him that initial auditing opportunity in the first place.

Growing up in Northern Quebec, Ross was also familiar with the reality of students needing to leave home to pursue post-secondary education, and in some cases even for high school. With first-hand experience of the benefits of living on campus and having come to Lennoxville from such a distance himself, he understood that the financial burden of university studies could prove difficult for some students to overcome without assistance. To provide access to funding and in recognition of their parents' commitment to supporting their education, in 2000 Ross and his brothers established the Jean Robinson Hunt Memorial Award in memory of their mother, which cov-

ers tuition and residence expenses for a Quebec student from outside the Montreal region who demonstrates financial need and maintains an average of 70% or better (as Ross will admit to not necessarily having had the highest average himself!).

As Ross describes it, the Costco brand's practical, down-to-earth, common-sense approach and work environment is a good fit with his personality and working style, and the company's support for philanthropic initiatives aligns well with Ross's beliefs. Among other programs, Costco supports United Way, the Children's Miracle Network and Breakfast Clubs of Canada; Ross considers himself fortunate to be part of an organization that values giving back so highly. Costco is nearing completion of a nationwide campaign to set up scholarships in every community where there is a Costco location; over 35 have been set up so far. With such a scholarship already in place at the Université de Sherbrooke, Ross petitioned for an opportunity to establish one at Bishop's as well. Thanks to his efforts and Costco's commitment to the Leading the Way Campaign, a generous renewable Costco scholarship has been in place since 2015 to assist a student demonstrating financial need, who is a full-time resident of Sherbrooke and interested in studying business.

From his time organizing intramurals and acting as the football stadium manager to working part-time, at Bishop's Ross developed a taste for getting involved, along with multitasking and organizational skills, that he continues to apply today in both his professional and personal life, where he's just as busy as ever – as Ross puts it, the 'social streak' he developed at Bishop's is still going strong! Both the Jean Robinson Hunt Award and the Costco Scholarship are reflective of the importance Ross places on giving back. As he describes it, Bishop's provided Ross with an environment in which to grow and mature both as a student and as a person, affording him many opportunities to thrive outside the classroom and develop the foundation for his career, and it is vital to him to pay that forward.



Sports Centre & Athletics

"I am grateful to continue at Bishop's in 2017-2018 and to engage in my new role as the Director of Soccer. This exciting opportunity has been made possible due to the generous support of Bob Goldberger '79 and other valued alumni. It is my passion to make Bishop's the pinnacle destination in Canada for soccer players who aim to become champions on and off the field."

- Paul Ballard
Head of Soccer,
Bishop's University



Student Support & Academic Initiatives

"Scholarships are one of the many ways that Bishop's donors provide outstanding support to students, and I was happy to hear these were a top priority of the Campaign. They make studying at Bishop's a reality for many of us Gaiters, and I'm so grateful to have been a recipient throughout my four years here."

- Eva Margo-Dermer '17



Modernization of the Library

“As a second-year student, there are numerous opportunities to excel at Bishop’s. I am proud to be part of a strong community that encourages students to be part of an interactive and collaborative environment. With the renovation of the library underway, it makes me happy to know that I, along with many fellow Gaiters, contributed to making a difference in the lives of future students.”

- Alex Myrie '18



Residence Revitalization

“Living in residence has really brought home the spirit of Bishop’s for me – I love knowing that if I feel like hanging out or just need a chat, there’s always someone there. Abbott Hall is the best residence on campus – especially since it was renovated! We have great spaces like the common kitchen and the lounges. It’s definitely home away from home”

- Noah Jepson '18

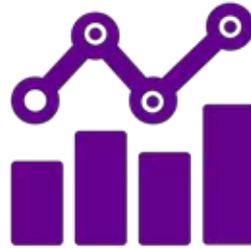
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INSPIRING EDUCATION

CELEBRATING A NEW ENDOWED CHAIR IN SUPPORT OF THE BISHOP'S MODEL



Bishop's University has the opportunity to transform undergraduate teaching through the new Stephen A. Jarislofsky Chair in Undergraduate Teaching Excellence. The Chair will be held by Dr. Jessica Riddell, Associate Professor in English Literature. Dr. Riddell was a founding member of the University's Teaching and Learning Centre (TLC) in 2012 and has acted as Chair on a voluntary basis since 2015.

Central to this Chair is the recognition that excellence in

one's academic field does not necessarily translate into excellence in teaching, and that unlike elementary and high school teachers, few university professors are ever taught how to teach. For some, effective teaching skills come naturally. However, most academics benefit from support in learning how to excel as teachers.

Dr. Riddell will focus on research into effective practices in teaching, student academic success, and mentoring faculty and students. She will also collaborate with institutions in Canada

and beyond, and disseminate key research findings through conferences and publications.

The Chair was made possible by a donation of \$1 million from the Jarislowky Foundation to the Leading the Way campaign, that will be matched by the Bishop's University Foundation. Stephen Jarislowky C.C., G.O.Q., is Founder, Director and Chairman Emeritus of Jarislowky Fraser Limited and President of the Jarislowky Foundation. The mission of the Foundation is the promotion, support and advancement of excellence in education, medicine and the arts. It has established 32 endowed chairs in Canada in a variety of fields including governance, democracy, public sector management, the arts, the humanities, business, environment and medicine.

"I believe that a liberal education builds a strong foundation of critical thinking, effective communication, knowledge synthesis and leadership development," says Mr. Jarislowky. "Bishop's focus on an interdisciplinary undergraduate education and its deep commitment to excellence in this area make it a strategic choice for this position."

"We are very grateful to the Jarislowky Foundation for this generous gift," says Principal Michael Goldbloom. "Most of Canada's undergraduate students do not go on to graduate school. Their undergraduate degree is their final degree. Consequently, the ability to concentrate on how best to teach at the undergraduate level is a critical priority for Bishop's and undergraduate programs across the country."

"The Jarislowky Foundation's donation will enable us to focus on our core mission – excellence in teaching and research at the level where the greatest number of students stand to benefit."

Bishop's is an ideal incubator for developing effective teaching practices. Bishop's professors have always put great emphasis on personal contact with students through small classes, seminars, laboratories and tutorials. The University has made the strategic decision to resist "massification" in an environment where funding models reward universi-

ties that increase enrollment and grow class sizes. In short, many universities have diverted their attention from their principal client base. Bishop's remains committed to a teaching model that puts undergraduate education first, in support of our vision that a liberal education is the optimal preparation for an increasingly complex world.

Dr. Riddell received her PhD in 2009 from Queen's University. She joined Bishop's the same year, and in 2015, she became the youngest ever recipient of a 3M National Teaching Fellowship, Canada's highest teaching honour for university professors. Her disciplinary research theorizes that sixteenth-century drama provides well documented intersections between politics, performance, and power. She has held a SSHRC Insight Development Grant to investigate how technologies in the sixteenth century (the printing press, illuminated manuscripts, heraldic scrolls, portraits) recorded and shaped identity and gender, especially pertaining to political leadership in Elizabeth I's court. She believes that there are remarkable parallels between the 16th and 21st centuries: in both periods new technologies create and critique political spectacles, and both periods see women taking on increasingly powerful roles.

"I am honoured to be the first holder of a Chair that not only celebrates undergraduate teaching excellence but that is also imbued with the Jarislowky Foundation's fundamental values of integrity, loyalty, mentorship, and ethical and moral reasoning," says Dr. Riddell.

"I am passionate about designing and implementing programs that will support, mentor, and guide a future generation of ethical and responsible citizens. The Jarislowky Foundation has created the support necessary for us to strive for excellence."

About The Teaching & Learning Centre

The Teaching and Learning Centre is a grassroots initiative begun in 2012 by a group of young faculty members from several disciplines, as well as library and

information technology services staff.

Current members include Dr. Jessica Riddell, Stephen A. Jarislowky Chair in Undergraduate Teaching Excellence and Associate Professor, English Department; Dr. Miles Turnbull, Vice-Principal Academic; Dr. Michele Murray, Dean of Arts and Science and Full Professor, Religion Department; Dr. Cathy Beauchamp, former Dean of Education; Dr. Antonio Di Mascio, Associate Professor, School of Education; Dr. Corinne Haigh, Associate Professor, School of Education; Dr. Kerry Hull, Full Professor, Biology Department; Dr. Heather Lawford, Associate Professor, Psychology Department; Dr. Michael Teed, Associate Professor (Human Resources), Williams School of Business; Eliza McKnight, Librarian; Scosha Meritovitz, Contract Faculty, Department of Mathematics; and Morgan Gagnon, Student Representative Council.

Through research, scholarship, knowledge sharing, faculty and student mentoring, conferences and professional development, they have fostered a vibrant and collaborative teaching and learning culture.

Up to now, the TLC has been operated on a volunteer basis by committee members with full course loads. Nonetheless, they have undertaken a number of initiatives to improve teaching, including the mentoring of faculty who are facing challenges in the classroom, as well as workshops, retreats and roundtables aimed at building capacities for teaching excellence and educational leadership. Committee members have also supported professors in identifying research questions, designing systematic studies of teaching and learning, and disseminating their research. Finally, they have helped faculty explore internal and external funding opportunities to help them enact change and inspire innovation in university teaching and research.

The landmark donation from the Jarislowky Foundation to create an endowed Chair in Undergraduate Teaching Excellence will allow the TLC to build upon its work, and will enable Bishop's to become a leader in improved teaching at the undergraduate level.



GAITERS MOVE TO AUS

EASTBOUND FOR DOWNS

HOW THE SEARCH FOR A LEVEL
PLAYING FIELD LED THE GAITERS TO
THE EAST COAST

BY BEN LEWIS '11





The Quebec rivalries are no more. For the upcoming season and at least three years beyond, the Bishop's Gaiters football program will undergo a change in conferences, moving from the RSEQ to compete in the AUS (Atlantic University Sport conference) against universities in Atlantic Canada

Bishop's will now challenge Saint Mary's, St. Francis Xavier, Mount Allison, and Acadia for a path to the USports (formerly CIS) playoffs, a route that is far less daunting and perilous than what they have faced for the better part of two decades

against their Quebec counterparts.

The decision was not made in haste. "It's been on my mind for probably five or six years," said Principal Michael Goldbloom.

"I've been concerned about the direction of university football in general."

That concern lies in parity. The Gaiters have only produced a winning record in three of the past 20 seasons. By comparison, Laval has hoisted eight Vanier Cup trophies in the past 14 seasons.

The playoffs have been an even more frustrating stretch of mediocrity. The last win from the team beyond the regular

season was in 1994, before many of the undergraduates now attending Bishop's were born.

While the spirited Gaiter fanbase has been present for the tremendous highs, it's predominantly seen demoralizing lows.

For the Gaiter football program, the baseline has been low for a long time. Unlike the Cleveland Browns' extended NFL drought, the mediocrity of the Philadelphia 76ers, or the Arizona Coyotes' playoff futility, Bishop's failures are not a product of management wrongdoings, draft missteps, failed trades or bloated player contracts.



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- MATT MCBRINE

In this case, it is more akin to Major League Baseball's San Diego Padres attempting to stay on par with the Boston Red Sox.

“We've been operating with a budget of about \$350,000 per year,” says Interim Athletic Director Matt McBrine.

“That was by far the lowest in the conference. There are a few schools in Quebec spending more than a million.”

McBrine was also deeply involved in the decision to move, and views it as crucial to maintaining a working football program at the school.

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take a look at how university football is being played in our country.”

Larger universities are better equipped to perform well due to more significant funding, coaching and other human resources and financial incentives for athletes. That is reflected in the successes and failures of many universities across USports.

“If you look at the standings, you can plainly see the issue,” stated McBrine.

The same powerhouses continue to reign at the top, while universities who are unable to fund or recruit to the same ability have continually fallen short.

Meanwhile, USports has not implemented any guidelines or regulations to address the problem; there are no spending caps or entry drafts to level the playing field.

The Gaiters' 2013 season had the makings of what should have been a magical run. The team included QB Jordan Heather, the CIS Player of the Year, and Coach of the Year Kevin Mackey.

In just eight games, Heather posted a single-season record 3,132 yards, pushing Bishop's to a 6-2 season and a berth to the playoffs.

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That amounted to a playoff home game for the first time in 19 years; it ended in a 51-8 defeat at the hands of Université de Montréal.

A playoff showdown with fellow Quebec universities is still possible going forward, but now the path goes through the Atlantic.

The operating budget entering the AUS will change. Bishop's is raising an additional \$180,000 as it prepares for the transition. Football alumni have been incredibly gracious in donating \$100,000 of that over the next two years to cover the additional travel costs.

The Gaiters also have a new Head Coach to preside over the franchise during this move in Chérif Nicolas, who arrives with a confident, well-rounded pedigree.

He spent seven years coaching the Cégep de Vieux Montréal Spartiates with remarkable success. They compiled a 56-26 record over that span, and just three years ago captured the RSEQ Division 1 Bol d'Or.

He is now tasked with taking over a Gaiters program that is starved for wins. It's a role that McBrine says Nicolas has taken in stride.

"He's outstanding," said McBrine.

"He started in early January... he's taken full control of this football program. He's a player's coach."

Nicolas is already creating plans to establish a disciplined, strong culture out of his program.

"We believe in our process," said Nicolas.

"We believe that if we do these things, that will lead to victories. If it doesn't, what we're going to review is the process."

Nicolas has produced results quickly, earning close to 20 new football recruits.

Overseeing the change to the AUS is one he views with excitement.

"To have the opportunity to join teams that have similar institutions as us, both academically and athletically, I think is nothing but positive for this program."

"We were competing with fellow Quebec teams... we didn't look like

those other teams though, other than being from the same province."

Now more than ever, sports and politics are intertwined and the current climate of university sport in Canada, particularly in football, is imbalanced.

That makes administrators begin to ask, what is the purpose of varsity sport?

"I believe that sport, and particularly team sport, is an important life lesson to be learned," said Principal Goldbloom.

"I don't think you learn much when the result is 66-2. I don't think the winning team or the losing team learns the value in sport."

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- MICHAEL GOLDBLOOM

Particularly in the RSEQ, Bishop's athletes, often just out of high school, were up against 23- or 24-year-old athletes who had earned years of experience playing football through CEGEP.

Goldbloom believes in a multi-layered student-athlete experience, one where academics are first and foremost the highest priority but with an understanding that talented, driven athletes can grow in their field of competition and sport at this university with every possibility to succeed.

He also understands that the objec-

tive at Bishop's is not to train professional athletes.

Nevertheless, those doors have been broken through by several Gaiter football alumni, 10 of whom are active on CFL rosters.

Now, there's no longer the proverbial mountain to climb against Laval or Université de Montréal.

As of 2015, Bishop's had 2,347 students enrolled in a full-time capacity. The next lowest enrollment in the RSEQ was Université de Sherbrooke with 10,022.

As the Gaiters move to the AUS, they will no longer be the little guy.

Their Maritimes competitors have enrollment between two thousand and six thousand students. Similar in size, each university will be operating with comparable budgets, academic requirements, and fundamental values for its varsity athletes.

How will fans react to the dynamic? Exciting, quality football games (and wins) can always serve to quiet the naysayers.

Former Gaiters QB and current President of the Alumni Association Trevor Lovig '96 admits it wasn't easy to digest the decision at first.

"The competitor part in me does say, 'C'mon, I wanna beat these guys!' But of course, I had to look at it from a different angle."

That moment of realization for Lovig occurred last season.

"When it became clear to me this was the right decision was when we played Saint Mary's last year. Bishop's came back and won that game in the final minute (30-29). You could see players and students react with such joy and jubilation."

While fans may miss the bus trips to Montreal, there may still be available spaces for friends, family and others to join Bishop's on their chartered plane rides to road games. And alumni out east will get to enjoy the Gaiters roar in their own backyard.

As the program embarks on its new era, therein lies opportunities to reshape the tradition of football at Bishop's into a more competitive one.



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- CHÉRIF NICOLAS



BEYOND BRICKS

HOW BISHOP'S NEW LIBRARY WILL BE MORE THAN JUST A BUILDING FOR BOOKS

BY RACHEL NEWCOMBE '17



For many current and former students, Bishop's University has provided the roots from which they have grown. Now, some of those roots are growing into something new. The John Bassett Memorial Library has temporarily shut its doors and renovations are underway to create the long-awaited Learning Commons, which will open in Fall 2018.

Everyone is talking about the project, but what exactly is the Learning Commons? As Dr. Jessica Riddell, responsible for leading the integrative design process, points out, "The Learning Commons project provides us with an opportunity to ex-

tend our thinking beyond the limitations of bricks and mortar to create something that encapsulates a vision of who we are and what we do. This large-scale project is a chance to build a learning space that represents the true sense of a "commons" – that is, a space accessible to all members of a community who have responsibility for and investment in a shared vision of learning." The Learning Commons is a new, modernized building that incorporates interactive technology and open spaces, creating a more inclusive, rewarding learning experience. The project is inspired by new libraries being built across Canada.

The Learning Commons Project has been in the works for



longer than many people realize. “The project goes back a long way. There are almost different eras of the planning,” said Project Director Dr. James Crooks (whose day job is as a popular philosophy professor). One thing that has stayed consistent is the desire to have a new, innovative space that engages our communities of learners in dynamic and collaborative ways.

The key word is collaboration. In a new age of communication and study, the updated building will house many resources for studying and socializing, both for Bishop’s students and for Maple League universities – Acadia, St. Francis Xavier, and Mount Allison – through telepresence rooms that encourage virtual connectivity. According to the 2016-17 Students’ Representative Council President Chelsea McLellan ’17, the Learning Commons will reflect the

model that so many people worked hard to envision, that of a tree growing new leaves from the roots of Bishop’s history.

McLellan stressed the importance of student input “when you’re building the vision and the message.” The concept of a growing tree “describes the movement of our university,” she said, explaining that above all students want and need a space that is open, modern, technologically interactive, and has snacks. “I think everyone is going to want to spend more time there,” McLellan said, referencing the new services that would be available in the Learning Commons, like lounges, fish bowls (meeting spaces), production studios and creative sandboxes – not to mention signature food services. “I foresee it changing the motion of our campus.”

The campus has already been affected by the project when the library

contents and services were relocated to a temporary building in a move that Crooks described as an “extraordinary achievement”. Lorraine Smith, one of the hardworking librarians of Bishop’s, agreed. “The library staff are a dedicated and bright group of people who have been making our library an exceptional place to learn for years, and this will continue in our renovated space. An example of their dedication was the moving of our materials to the temporary location,” Smith explained. “Many of us got together and spent several days loading materials onto book trucks, which got loaded onto moving trucks, moved across campus, and unloaded onto the shelves by more of us.”

“It was a team effort, an exhausting time, but fun to work together to get the job done,” Smith added about the move. “Now we are settled into our temporary

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- DR. JESSICA RIDDELL

space. The students seem to be adapting both to this very bright but small space, and to using other study spaces that our colleagues across campus have very graciously made available. I look forward to the rest of the process and to getting back to the heart of the campus in the new Learning Commons.”

That new heart is being made possible by the generosity of several donors and members of the community. “We have had it in our minds that we needed to renovate the library,” said Bishop’s Principal Michael Goldbloom, who has been very involved in the betterment of the campus.

Funding the project – to the tune of \$17 million – has been a culmination of tireless efforts in federal and provincial funding as well as fundraising efforts as part of the Capital Campaign. “A lot of things came together at the same time,” Goldbloom said, citing luck, previous experience with the recently renovated sports centre, and an ally in the Hon. Marie-Claude Bibeau, MP for Compton-Stanstead (and Minister of International Development and La Francophonie) as reasons the Learning Commons was finally able to break ground – or, rather, gut shelves. Seven million dollars will come from federal infrastructure funding, \$5 million from the provincial

government, and \$4.5 million from the Capital Campaign.

Director of Alumni Relations and Development, Matt McBride is directly involved with the Capital Campaign and said that there was a lot of support for the project. “The reconfigured facility will almost double available seating,” he said, noting that approximately 3,500 students – from Bishop’s University and Champlain College – use the library. McBride assured that “it’s our priority and our responsibility” to make sure that the Learning Commons has everything the university will need to bring it into the 21st century.

Most notable, and impressive both to our government funders and private donors, is the support of the students. In 2012, they held a referendum, and an overwhelming majority voted in favour of increasing their fees to support the project. This will garner one million dollars over ten years to make the project a reality. Scott Lawson ’18 and Douglas Jarvis ’12, former students directly involved with the referendum, said that even in 2012, there was excitement about the possibility of a new, updated learning space. “The mentality of the project was to improve an aged space,” and provide “a greater educational experience,” said Jarvis, who was on the SRC at the time of the referendum and directly involved in its promotion.

Lawson agreed that the biggest part of passing the referendum was getting the students familiar with what the Learning Commons would, or rather could, be. “We just found students didn’t know what it was,” he explained. So they educated them, in a very Bishop’s way: they had lunch in front of the library and invited students to join, taking time to explain the project.

Of course, presenting the referendum came with its challenges; 2012 was a tense time on other campuses in Quebec where students were protesting tuition fee hikes. This was not the case at Bishop’s. Instead, our students were excited about the proposed improvements, and they had a big champion in former librarian and project advocate Bruno Gnassi.

The referendum passed smoothly, and both Lawson and Jarvis continue to keep an interested eye on the project, and assert its many merits. “It gives [students]... a modern space,” Lawson said.

This student support continues now that the project is officially underway, in more ways than one. McLellan said that on projects of this magnitude, it could sometimes be difficult to maintain student voice and involvement. “I think it’s really important to have that student voice,” she said, adding, “We need to be involved in the project.”

“I’m always worried students aren’t involved,” McLellan admitted, but from the beginning, the Learning Commons seemed to click on every level. “Something came naturally,” she said about student involvement in the project. And while there may be some envious graduates who wish they could lounge with a coffee and a good book in the new and improved building, everyone understands what their fees are going towards. “Everyone gives a tremendous amount,” McLellan said, explaining that it was because the students care, and will always care, about the betterment of the University.

It is not just students who are interested in seeing the change. The donations from alumni speak to interest from the entire Bishop’s community. “The first question asked was why are you investing in a library?” Goldbloom admitted, saying that to many people, libraries are becoming obsolete. However, the Learning Commons will be more than a library. It will be a place to congregate, and to explore and learn. Promoting new ways of learning paints a compelling picture. “The argument that the library continues to be a central component... really persuaded people,” Goldbloom said.

With the completion date set for 2018, it is safe to say that a lot of things could happen. Crooks knocked on wood when he confirmed that so far things are well on-track. The Learning Commons, with its open concept vibe and collaborative modern appeal, will be, as everyone has attested, an amazing space that, like a tree, will continue to grow.



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STROKE OF GENIUS

BY RONAN O'BEIRNE '11

The reason I'm an artist is a Bishop's story." Most of Tony Harris '87's stories are Bishop's stories.

A few years after graduating with a degree in fine arts, Tony was doing paintings for golf clubs—the kind of thing that would hang in the clubhouse and be sold to members for fundraisers. He got some commissions, but needed more to make it a full-time concern.

Then he heard from Tom Allen '69, then-Athletic Director and Gaiter legend, that Sandy Baptist '72 was working for ClubLink, a group with dozens of courses across Ontario and Quebec. Tony didn't know Sandy, but knew of him—the two had both played football at Bishop's. So Tony asked Bruce Coulter if they could get in touch. His phone rang 20 minutes later.

"Hey, it's Sandy Baptist. Bruce Coulter told me to call you, so... now I'm calling you." Tony ended up doing about 20 paintings for ClubLink courses. He has also, of course, painted the Old Lennoxville Golf Club.

Despite his degree in fine arts and his career as a professional artist, Tony's focus at Bishop's wasn't on the practical side; he studied art history and took the bare minimum of studio classes. But the fire was always there; he had previously attended Lakefield College (High) School, which he says had one of the best art programs in Ontario, if not the country.

Lakefield was the perfect environment for someone with dual passions like Tony's. "It was acceptable to be an athlete and an actor, or a painter, or whatever," he says. His art

teacher, Richard Hayman, let the students pursue whatever avenues they wanted. Tony's grade 13 final project was a three-foot portrait of Pittsburgh Steelers icon Lynn Swann.

He kept the painting up throughout his time in Lennoxville, even if he wasn't doing it in the classroom. Tony was the quarterback on the football team ("To say that I went to Bishop's to play football is not entirely correct..." he jokes), and to pick up some extra cash, he did watercolour portraits of some of his teammates.

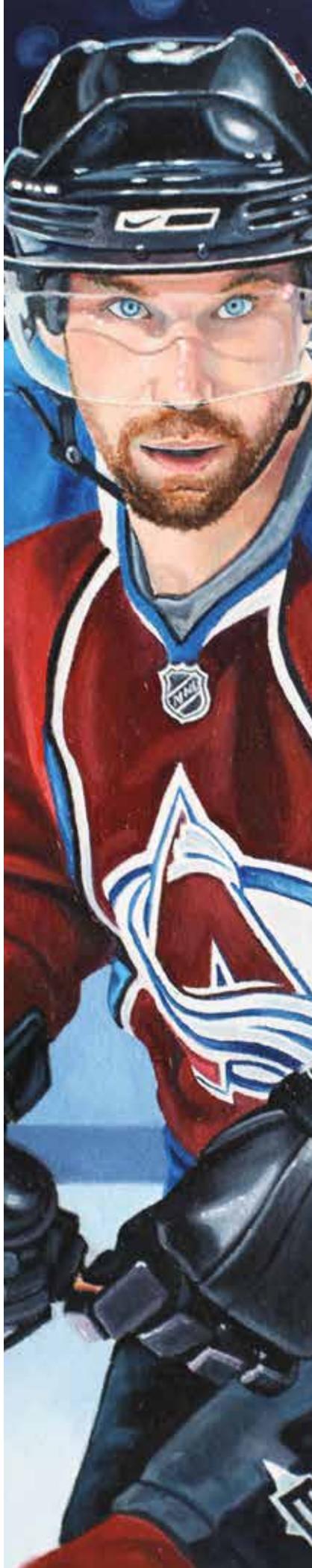
But after doing those portraits and picking up degrees in fine arts and education, he didn't stick with the arts right away. He taught for three years first, before landing at Chase Creations, where the owner was also a golfer—hence the golf club jobs. "The idea was, let's approach golf courses and I'll do landscape portraits of their signature holes. It's a captive audience, we can sell it to the clubs, make a bunch of prints." From about the mid-1990s until the early 2000s, he was doing business with about 20 clubs per year.

But this put Tony in an unusual sub-genre of the arts. "I don't know many people in the art community. I knew I could paint, knew I liked sports, so I started doing sports stuff. But to put that in a gallery? There wasn't a market for it."

It's not for lack of buyers. Tony's commissions have included just about every big name imaginable in football history, as well as people like LPGA rising star Brooke Henderson and the guy who got him on the phone with Sandy Baptist: Bruce Coulter.

When you ask him how he shifted from golf clubs to hockey, he says, "This is the great thing about Bish-





ops...” (Most of Tony Harris’ stories are Bishop’s stories.) “I’m living in Ottawa, cruising, painting golf courses, but the things I want to paint are athletes. At the same time, Chad Schella ’94 was raising money to build Roger’s House,” named for Roger Neilson, a former Ottawa Senators assistant coach and Hall of Famer who died of cancer in 2003. The house is a palliative care residence for sick children at CHEO, the Children’s Hospital of Eastern Ontario, in Ottawa.

That he should get a call from Chad was no coincidence. They knew each other from working summer jobs at hockey camps in Peterborough run by—of course—Roger Neilson. (Tony jokes that Neilson is “the Kevin Bacon of the NHL. I would bet there’s one or two people in every organization that have an affiliation with Roger.”) Tony had in fact steered the young Chad toward Lennoxville, telling him, “You’ve got Bishop’s written all over you.”

Chad asked for a portrait of their former boss; Tony gladly obliged, and the Ottawa Senators Foundation ended up selling 2000 prints. And Tony was back where he wanted to be: doing portraits.

From there, he began to do more work for the league, the players’ union, and individual teams. He has become the go-to artist for capturing milestones: retiring Daniel Alfredsson’s number in Ottawa; Mike Fisher’s 1000th game; Eric Lindros’ induction into the Philadelphia Flyers Hall of Fame. He’s also the official artist for the Ted Lindsay Award, which goes to the MVP as voted on by members of the players’ union.

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As the National Hockey League approached its 100th anniversary, it announced that it would produce a list of the 100 best players in league history. But in addition to naming them at the All-Star Game in Los Angeles, the front office wanted something to commemorate the 100. Enter Tony.

The commission started as a team photo-style painting of all 100 players. Not impossible, but not ideal. “The initial conversation was to do one with 100 players, but they said, ‘We don’t want anyone standing out over the others.’ So as an artist, I’m thinking, that’s

going to be really hard: someone’s going to have to be on the left, in the middle, on the right. They agreed, so then we thought, what if we did 100 individual portraits? The league could pack it up and go on the road; they could do whatever they want with it.”

But that meant Tony’s commission had instantly gone from one large painting to 100. So the timeline has been rejiggered; he’s aiming to wrap it up later this year, right around the exact date of the anniversary, November 26.

In addition to increasing his workload, the new commission means that Tony goes from painting faces and shoulders to 100 full bodies. For some of the more recent players, that’s not a problem. “If I’m painting Alex Ovechkin, I’ve got 20,000 pictures to choose from.” For others, it’s a different story. The first assignment was Milt Schmidt, who played from 1936 to 1955.

“There’s literally four pictures of Milt, and three are in the dressing room after a game holding up a puck that reads ‘20 goals.’ That’s not the ideal reference!” (He ended up using the Boston Public Library’s archives for research.)

That’s not to say modern players are inherently easier. With someone like Sidney Crosby, who made the list, “the biggest problem is that what may be, at first glance, a great picture is not always a good painting. I want it to still be a portrait. I want it to be recognizable.” Right now, that means whittling archival photographs down to a shortlist of four and sending them to the league. Sometimes making the shortlist is easy: the Ken Dryden portrait is obviously going to be the goalie leaning on his stick. The Guy Lafleur one has to indicate speed.

As for the Roger Neilson painting—the one that got Tony on the path to being the league’s go-to artist for milestone portraits—it is unlike some of the more action-oriented shots. Tony painted the coach in warmup gear, a simple cap on his head emblazoned with the Senators’ name. You can see his extremely curly hair poking out the back, and his eyes are that unusual mix of caring and intensity. It’s quintessentially Neilson, and it hangs in the house at CHEO that bears his name.

YOUNG ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR: ROBERT DUNFIELD '15



The Young Alumnus of the Year Award was designed to recognize contributions by an individual in their field of endeavour, whether through community service or professional achievement. The goal was to recognize a recent graduate who continues to embody the spirit of Bishop's in their corner of the world and celebrate them with their fellow alumni and current students. This year we are excited to announce that the inaugural winner of the Young Alumnus of the Year Award is Robert Dunfield '15.

Since graduation Robert has started a medical degree at Dalhousie University where he won the New Brunswick Medical Education Trust Scholarship, and was the winner of the Saint John Regional Hospital Emergency Department Research Day. Outside of the classroom he is a swimming instructor for disadvantaged kids with the medical student program 'Making Waves', he volunteers at a local nursing home, and he founded 'Pass the Present', a holiday present drive charity for residents of healthcare facilities across southern New Brunswick. Back in Sussex, NB, his hometown, Robert founded a community program that increased access to publicly available epinephrine auto-injectors.

At Dalhousie, Rob is a member of the Geriatric Medicine and Exercise Medicine interest groups, and the Dalhousie Medicine Medicine New Brunswick Accreditation team. He is also the Vice President of both the Fundy Royal Political Association, and the Dalhousie Medical Students' Society. One of Rob's newest endeavours is as the advocacy organizer for 'Ellen's Law', a law enacted that gives cyclists the right to one metre's distance from cars. Rob became involved with this cause after his friend Ellen was killed by a car in a cycling accident in the winter of last year.

Those who know Robert describe him as being quite humble; as his nominator wrote: 'Rob was never a person to brag, so it's up to me to do it for him'. This comes across in a few words from our first winner:

"It's an incredible surprise and honour to be named the 2017 Young Alumnus of the year. Two years later, my Bishop's experience remains a key reference point for my day-to-day life as a student and a member of my community. Life after Bishop's brings new meaning to 'we will never graduate' and I'm both grateful and excited for the opportunity that this award brings to reconnect with the university."

"To be chosen as the Young Alumnus of the Year is a true honour. There are so many Bishop's alumni across Canada and the rest of the world that continue to apply the tools and experiences they gained as Gaiters to make meaningful contributions to their passions, and to be selected from such an impressive cohort is beyond humbling. Thank you!"

Thank you to all the nominators and nominees this year. The list of young Gaiters doing great things in their communities was truly inspiring. We can't wait to see the list next year!

Robert addressed the Class of 2017 via video at the inaugural Grad Send-Off hosted by the Alumni Association on campus in April. We were delighted to hear from him and pleased to raise a toast to his accomplishments as a recent graduate.

ALUMNI EVENTS

JUNE 02

Chancellor's Dinner,
Lennoxville

JUNE 03

Convocation,
Lennoxville

JUNE 09

Chancellor's Folly,
Toronto

JUNE 09

Welcome Home BBQs,
Montreal, Ottawa,
Vancouver

JUNE 16

Toronto Alumni Golf
Tournament @ Richmond
Hill Golf Club

SEPT. 21-24

Homecoming,
Lennoxville. See ad on
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listings

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full listing of upcoming
events.



WEDDINGS: 1. Palmer '13-Gagne '12: Christopher to Elyse in Ottawa, ON on September 24, 2016. In attendance from left to right were Dennis Gagne '16, Sami Haque '11, Susan Mitchell '81, Jordan Sanchez '12, Christina Furino '13, Sarah Korb, Alex Smith '12, Michael Brouillard '76, John (Jack) Crowley '11, Heather Brouillard '75, Jordan Racey '13, Melanie Wilson '11, Alissa McDonough '12, Elyse & Chris, Eric Finn '14, Tyler Wilson, Christine Morris '12, Daniel Taggart-Hodge '13, Adam Young '14, and Paul Eagles '15. **2. Le Huquet '10-Hord:** James to Kimberley in November 2016. The best man was Adam Barrette '08 and the groomsmen were Justin Kimmel '09 and Patrick Whelan '09. In attendance in no particular order were Jackson Gair '09, Michael Orlando '08, Frank Orlando '13, Chris McCammon '09, Chris Caza-Pugh '08, Shea McEachrane-Johnson '07, Matthew Studley '07, Craig Mottershead '07, Noah Harrison '13, Sophie O'Reilly '12, Sharon Coneen '80, Chris Sawers '09, Anny McConnery '09, Lace Kessler '09, Jaime Bishara '10, Jenna Smith '10, Katherine Garretto '09, Dean Yoshida '09, Mitch Griffis '10, Alex Inch '10, Dusty Whyte '10, Ryan Lethbridge '11, Shaun Pais '11, Andrew Barber '09, Katie Gallagher '09, Jon Verity '07, Edward Fiore '07, Jon Mills '10, and Leigh-Anne



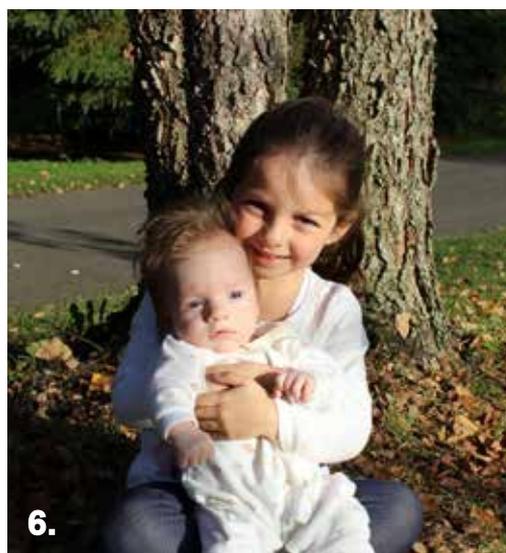
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Ness '14. **3. Shaw '15-Walsh '15:** Tyler and Kierra were wed on September 24, 2016 in Williamstown, ON. Bishop's own Recruitment and Admissions Officer, Jessica Buxar '16, helped them celebrate. **4. Farrell-Legault '09:** Jeff to Melissa in May 2016. In attendance in no particular order were Cormac Eby '16, Liz Mazurek '08, Peter Ross '08, Graham Stewart '10, Alex Cheong '10, Shaun Pais '11, Anthony Manouk '08, Ivan Konczynski '08, Sian Canavan '09, Erik Johannesson '09, Caitlin Johannesson '09, Valerie Manouk '09, Stephanie Gibson '15, Paul Starr '11, and Erin Starr '11. **BIRTHS: 5. Begbie '02-Kingsley '08:** James and Amy welcomed a son, William Alexander Begbie, in November 2015 in Sherbrooke, QC. A brother for Julia. **6. Cotton '02-Alsop '01:** Bram and Justine are excited to announce the arrival of Colin Thomas, on August 21, 2016. A baby brother for Celia! **7. Neville '08-Miron '08:** Alex and Hillary welcomed Harrison Giles Neville to the family, on May 14, 2016. **8. McFarlane '05-Scott '05:** Craig and Naomi with their very excited four-year-old son Kai welcomed into the world Aelan Grace Jean McFarlane on March 6, 2016. *If you have a Wedding or Birth announcement you would like to share in the Bishop's Magazine, please send to alumni@ubishops.ca.*

THROUGH THE YEARS

Clifton Way '53 has just published his autobiography titled 'A well-traveled Way' and it is now available on Amazon.



Thomas Pick '66 met up with long-time friends at a great Italian pub on Bathurst, enjoyed a few Steam Whistles, and reminisced about their days at Bishop's. Left to Right: Glenn Way '64, Gord Ewart '64, Stu Henry '63, Thomas, Rodney Smith '64, and Glen Higginbotham '64.

Jamie Richards '72 is an Aviation Manager at McCain Capital, Inc. and can be reached at Jamie.s.richards@gmail.com.

Bruce Greenhill '73 is retired and living in Ladysmith, BC. He can be reached at brucegreenhill1950@gmail.com.

Jean Boislard '74 is now enjoying the retired life.

Carolyn Fountain '76 (nee Woon) has retired from the Canada Revenue Agency.

Paul Chamandy '77 can be reached via email: pcham@localnet.com.

Peter Huish '78 who earned a Bishop's Liberal Arts Degree through

study in the Thomas More Institute Liberal Studies Programme in Montreal has subsequently earned a Graduate Diploma in Theological, Religious and Ethical Studies at Concordia University followed by an MA - Theology degree from Université de Montréal and is currently a Chaplain for Correctional Services Canada.

Alex Pringsheim '78 is the head of business development at SynergyPlus and can be reached at alexpringsheim@yahoo.co.uk.

Robert Richardson '78 works on website technology solutions for eCom-Technology and can be reached at robert@ecomtechnology.com.

Mark James '85 is a Defence & Aerospace Consultant for JPOM Canada Inc. and can be reached at fmarkjames@hotmail.com.

Jane Lee Pankovitch '86 is an ESL teacher at the Cégep de Victoriaville since 2009 and moved there in 2015. She is still adjusting to life in a totally francophone milieu and gets home to the Townships as much as she can to be with friends and family.

Bona Peacock '88 (nee Duncan) is married to Daniel and has a daughter named Georgia. She currently works for Stratford Festival of Canada as a Stage Manager.

Linton Carter '89 has moved on after four amazing years as Chief Development Officer at Children's Aid Foundation fundraising for Canada's most vulnerable children, she is moving on to a new role as Chief Development Officer at UNICEF Canada where she will be raising funds to save children's lives globally.

Andrew Cowell '89 will be joining the BU Men's Rugby Team as an assistant coach in the Fall of 2017.

Sandra Miller '90 was honoured by the city of London, ON for her heritage work in the city.

Philippe Prevost '90 is currently a consultant in Montreal and can be reached at philippeprevost@gmail.com.

Valerie Buchanan '91 recently fulfilled the conditions required to become a member of the Ordre des traducteurs, terminologues et interprètes agréés du Québec

Marc Berendes '92 is back working in Germany after 5 years in France with his wife, 3 kids, and a hamster. He is the Executive VP Global Sales and Service for Kulzer Dental.

Bill Coleman '93 is the VP Marketing and Business Development for Assessment Strategies in Ottawa, ON.

Peter Farmer '94 works on Strategic Partnerships for Rogers Communications.

Laval Dubeau '97 is an Executive Director responsible for Canadian branch expansion and recruitment at Experior Financial Group and can be reached at lavaldubeau@experiorfinancial.com. He is married to Natalie Dubeau '97 and they have three future BU grads in Ethan, Elliot, and Everett.

Michael Timmins '97 is the Vice President, Corporate Development at Agnico Eagle Mines Limited and can be reached at Michael.timmins@agnicoeagle.com.

Robert Conrad '98 works at PricewaterhouseCoopers as an Instructional Designer/Consultant and can be reached at robert.k.conrad@pwc.com.

Christine Gauthier '99 will publish a Historical Novel titled 'Plus jamais la Guerre! L'Anneau' with her husband Marc Dauphin next September. This book is the first of a series that will comprise 7 books. Books 2 and 3 are already in editing.

Jennifer Vachon '99 is a Senior Director & Chief Compliance Officer – Wealth Management for PWL Capital.

Amir Rashid '00 is the Director – IT at InfoCloud Corporation and can be reached at amirrashid@hotmail.com.

Bridget Perry-Gore '02 is a Mathematics Teacher at Southridge School in Surrey, BC.

Darlene Fearon '04 is living in High River, AB and has been happily married for nine years and has a six-year-old and three-year-old, Colton and Christopher. She has been a French Immersion teacher now for ten years and works part-time as an Administrative Assistant for Bow Valley College. She is still actively involved with Alpha Phi as a volunteer to find lost alumnae.

Steve de Eyre '05 is the Head of Public Policy at Amazon.ca.

David Petroziello '06 joined Cape Breton University in June 2016 as the Head Basketball Coach. He has been married since 2008 and has two boys (four and two) with a third child due in April 2017.

Christopher Todd '07 is a Sheet Metal Worker for Fox Air Systems and is living the dream of snowmobiling and extreme downhill biking in the mountains of BC. He can be reached at ctodd01@gmail.com.

Amanda Lepore '09 is a teacher at Holy Trinity Catholic High School in Kanata, ON.

Caitlin McKellar '09 (nee Mahar) is the Alumni and Development Officer at Nova Scotia Community College.

Lauren Smith '10 was married in 2016 and works as an author.

Youssef Girgis '13 is a law student in the UK and can be reached at yagirgis@gmail.com.

Tara Mooney '13 is a Research Associate and Compound Manager at Agios Pharmaceuticals.

Ana Cecilia Aguilar '14 is a Transaction Analyst at JLL – Hotels and Hospitality Group.

Devin Cattelan '14 works as an Investment Advisor at Holliswealth and can be reached at devin.cattelan@holliswealth.com.

Felix Tremblay '15 After a one-year break Felix is now pursuing a Master's Degree in Political Science at Laval University, with a specialization in elections, political parties, and communication. He can be reached at felixtreml@gmail.com.

IN MEMORIAM

John Alfred (Dick) Turpin '48 (1924–2017), passed away at Camp Hill Veterans' Memorial Hospital in Halifax, on February 10, 2017. He was a World War II vet who was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross (DFC) for Officers and Warrant Officers for acts of valour, courage or devotion to duty performed whilst flying in active operations.

Harry 'Pete' MacDiarmid '48 passed peacefully in Orillia, Ontario in his 94th year on February 15, 2017. Spouse of Joy Bowden MacDiarmid (predeceased), father to Anne and Michael (Karin Schaff). Grandfather to Liam McCrimmon, Andrew and James MacDiarmid.

Allen Cook '57, Archdeacon of the Anglican Church of Canada, passed away peacefully on January 12, 2017 in Hamilton, ON.

Barbara George '58 died suddenly at the Civic Hospital on January 15, 2017, at the age of 78, surrounded by her children.

Maureen Neylan '60 passed away on February 15, 2017 in her home on Gabriola Island, BC. Throughout her life she remained committed to charitable work and was active with several organizations, including the Heart & Stroke Foundation. One of her proudest legacies was being a founding member of the BC Civil Liberties Association (BCCLA).

John Alfred Penhale '60, formerly of North Hatley, passed peacefully in Magog on January 19, 2017. He is survived by his sons John Penhale '88 and Andrew Penhale '93, his sister Beverley Nicol '57, and his brother Ian Penhale '65.

Timothy V. Crooks '61 (1939–2017) passed away on January 24 at home with his loving wife of 45 years, Ros, at his side. He leaves behind his sister Sue, and his nieces Alex and Jill along with his godson, Stephen Lloyd '89. He fought his courageous battle with cancer without complaint. He graduated from Bishop's University with a B.Sc. in Mathematics in 1961 and then obtained an MBA at the University of Western Ontario. He worked in Toronto, London, England, and later Switzerland where he met his wife, Ros. They married in England and eventually returned to Toronto. Tim's ever-present passion for the environment led him to work tirelessly for the Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition where he became President and he served until the fall of 2016. During his illness Tim was surrounded by his many friends and family and a "Celebration of Life" and reception was held on Saturday, 17 June, 2017, in Shanty Bay at 2:00pm.

Alex Troubetzkoy '64 passed away on January 22, 2017. He is best remembered for his 34-year career in Independent Schools, 22 of which were given over as Headmaster at Selwyn House School, Appleby College, and the Toronto French School.

Dr. Wendy Robbins '69 passed away on April 18, 2017 of complications following a brain aneurysm.

Derek Oppen '69 sadly passed on January 20, 2017 in Charlottesville, Virginia. Derek and I grew up together in St Lambert. We were in the group at school that today would be called “nerds”. He regularly did well in school—at the end of his career at Chambly County High School he was in the advanced math class—badly at sports, and not too well at social relations. He went on to academic glory at Bishop’s University, where he was President of the Students’ Representative Council and hosted a classical music programme on the local radio station, and Massey Hall in Toronto where he palled around with Robertson Davies and achieved a PhD in Mathematics. He had a career at the cutting edge of modern technology in such places as Xerox in Palo Alto at the heart of Silicon Valley and Northern Telecom in its glory days. (He once told me that he could try to explain what he did at Xerox, but that I would not understand it - as always, painfully honest, and right.) A quick Google search turns up hundreds of references to academic papers that he published while at Stanford University and which still have relevance to scientists today, judging by the recent dates on scores of citations. Although our paths followed different byways, whenever we did get together, our shared love of good music quickly bridged the gap of the years between contacts. He came to visit me in Kenya, (He was there to climb Mount Kenya, I was ensconced in a chair in a soft government job.), I visited him in California, and we saw each other while he lived in Ottawa. I stayed in touch with him regularly but sporadically after he left Ottawa to return to the United States. There he felt liberated by the open individualism of the US and less stifled by the warm Canadian embrace of “peace, order and good government”. Since then, we communicated by e-mail and shared experiences in our newfound “careers” as volunteers in local schools helping kids with learning problems, and as local gadflies firing off opinions on local and national doings to various publications that turn up on the web.

Derek’s death and the manner of his

demise fill me with a profound sadness. He had such amazing gifts, was always an interesting conversational partner and our contacts afforded me a spicy interlude amidst the banal day-to-day passage of time. His passing pokes me into recommending, in the strongest terms, that people regularly hug family members and friends, and stay in touch.

- Submitted by John McNeish, a friend, Ottawa, Ontario.

Larry Brookes '71 passed away on January 22, 2016 in Victoria, BC. He is survived by his wife Gillian and children James and Zoe.

Rene Lemieux (1937–2017), long-time electrician at Bishop’s passed on February 8, 2017.

Sydney Taylor, M.A. Bishop’s graduates from the 1950’s and 1960’s will remember my father, Sydney Taylor, who was Professor of Mathematics from 1952 to 1968.

In 2010, my brother Roger and I established a Memorial Prize to be awarded annually to a Mathematics Major or Honours Student. We have continued to contribute each year with the goal of eventually turning the prize into a scholarship. A number of graduates have also invested money in this fund to help reach our goal.

Mathematics is an important discipline in today’s technological world. Our goal is to assist the University to attract the very best students in Mathematics and continue to enhance Bishop’s reputation as a centre of excellence.

I lived with my parents and my brother Roger at 7 Harrold Drive until I graduated from the university in 1966. Growing up on the Bishop’s campus was a unique experience, as I had lots of room to run and play. When the chapel bell rang at 5:30, I knew it was time to go home for supper.

Both Sydney and my mother, Jennifer, went out of their way to invite students and faculty to tea and Sunday dinners at our house. It taught me how important it was to include other people and to make them feel at home.

When we arrived in 1952, Bishop’s had only 250 students and most faculties had only one professor, most of whom were expats who had made Bishop’s their home. I got to know various professors and their families. These included Wally McCubbin, Anthony Preston, Albert Kuehner, James Gray, Eric Yarrill, Maurice Home, Jeff Jefferies, Sidney Jellioe, D.C. Masters, Principal Arthur Jewett and Bursar Lyman Tomkins.

In the 1953 Bishop’s Yearbook, I read about my father’s personal philosophy. He said that as long as a man is a Christian, enjoys the ability to make his own living, and can enjoy his leisure hours, his trouble will be few. In England he had played both cricket and soccer and was a church bellringer. He adapted to Canada and eventually learned to ski and speak French.

I spent several summers at the Lennoxville Golf Club as a caddy and working in the proshop for Garth Smith. My Scoutmaster was William Van Horn, Chemistry Professor.

I am grateful for the sacrifices made by my parents to bring my brothers and me to Canada in 1950.

- Submitted by Martin Taylor

Dr. Gerry Coulter died suddenly on November 24, 2016 at the age of 57. He was originally from Kingston, Ontario.

Gerry began his academic studies by receiving a BA in Philosophy and History, then an MA in Sociology at Queen’s University and completed his Doctoral degree in Philosophy (Sociology) at Carleton in 1992.

Gerry’s academic teaching career began at St. Thomas More College in Saskatoon in 1992, where he met his future wife, Mary Ellen. After a year of teaching at Carleton, Gerry joined the faculty of the Sociology Department at Bishop’s University in 1994, where he contributed to the growth of the department and the success of the university until his death. He was extensively published, including three books and about 100 articles. He founded the innovative, free-access International Journal of Baudrillard Studies in 2004, and is recognized across the



world as the expert on Jean Baudrillard and his ideas.

Gerry was an extraordinarily talented and caring professor of Sociology. He was appreciated and respected by his fellow faculty members who thought of him as a very generous and encouraging colleague. He chaired the department for many years and was always especially proud of the accomplishments of the contract faculty and their continual support of the department. He wrote many tomes for the department's SPARC reviews, outlining the hard work and dedication each member made that contributed to making the Sociology program such a success. It was Gerry's patient guidance and caring nature that generated such a great collegial atmosphere. He also inspired and encouraged students to discover their strength and worth. Gerry was bestowed with Bishop's University's highest award

for teaching, the William and Nancy Turner Teaching Award, in 2006. In the words of former student Laura Smith, "Gerry was not only my favorite professor and the reason that I've kept on with academia and Baudrillard studies, but a true friend. It was the support, encouragement, and positivity from Gerry that propelled me onwards at many forks in the road. The amazing thing is that, as you know, this inspiration and encouragement was felt by so very many students. Gerry's teaching allowed students to challenge their own assumptions in ways that pointed them not toward a predetermined end, but toward developing confidence in their own critical thinking ability. This generous, infinite gift—developing one's inner well of strength—will stay with me my entire life."

"I would add a personal note to say this is exactly how I feel about the relationship Gerry and I had throughout our

years together in the Sociology department. His genuine inquisitiveness into my teaching and research and his caring nature have made me a better sociologist and colleague."

Gerry loved keeping in touch with many of his students in the years after they studied with him. Gerry was a world traveller and loved to tell stories with excitement and laughter about his global adventures to all who would listen. He was also very proud of his two furry friends, Kai and Sam, and loved to talk about their daily antics or chat about his passion for the world of baseball.

Gerry is survived by his partner of 23 years, Mary Ellen Donnan, who continues to teach in the department.

Respectfully submitted by
Cheryl Gosselin,
with the help of Mary Ellen Donnan.



Ann M. Gallery '92 is Co-Founder of MindWell-U, a Vancouver-based tech company that delivers evidence-based mindfulness training to the workplace. Her clients include Harvard Law School, the NBA, WestJet, UBC, the Privy Council, Loblaw's and more. Prior to this, Ann had a 25-year career in public relations, most recently running her own PR agency called High View Communications Inc. Find out more online at mindwellu.com or contact Ann at ann@mindwellu.com

BU CONNECTIONS ARE BUSINESS CONNECTIONS

As a Bishop's graduate married to another graduate, Ian March '88 (thank you Linton Carter '89!), and still in regular touch with my friends from Bishop's, it was intuitive to reach out to fellow alumni when I launched my tech company three years ago.

The group instantly mobilized and asked how they could help, had me in

for meetings, made key introductions, helped generate early wins and contributed greatly to the successful launch of MindWell-U. The company is now expanding beyond North America which is really exciting.

Alumni who jumped to help include: Beth Yeates '91, Bob Macdonald '89, Ian Cleghorn '91, Linton Carter '89, Lynne Bridgman '89, Pam Cape '90, Peter Neal

'89, Raegan Little '90, Sarah Craig '93, Tom Benson '88, and Tova White '92.

I feel fortunate to have met such amazing people at Bishop's - so many of them are still very much a part of my life and now my business! I'm sure this is just one of many examples of the lasting and fruitful relationships formed on the banks of the mighty Massawippi!

- Ann M. Gallery '92



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