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"My reconnection to Bishop's started in 2014. The late Cliff Maclean '62, called and said, 'Our 50th Homecoming reunion is coming up. Why don't you and Carole come along?' By the time that wonderful event was over, we were filled with purple pride. In 2017, we received notice that a new experiential course called *Shakesperience*, led by Dr. Jessica Riddell, was coming to Stratford where we lived. We asked to host part of the program and have been doing so every year since. In 2021, we gave a major donation to B.U. during COVID and pledged a bequest in our will to sustain this unique institution in the long term. We have received heartfelt feedback from students on what our giving means to them, which makes us happy to bleed purple."

—Carole and John Macaulay '62

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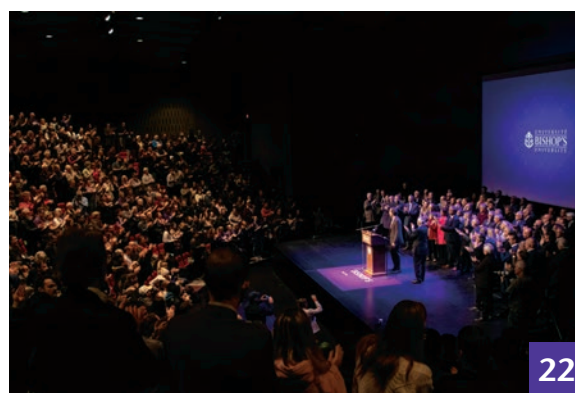
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THE COMFORT OF COMMUNITY



If you were to ask me what I love most about Bishop's, I would be hard pressed to give you a single answer. That said, I can assure you our extraordinary community is at the top of my list. Like me, I know you agree that our alumni and friends, students, faculty, and staff are what make Bishop's so special. The people of this community are a family, and Bishop's is our home.

Our treasured institution has weathered many storms and repeatedly stood strong against the challenges directed toward it; and, each time, the B.U. community has played its part. This was certainly the case for the latest threat we faced in the fall when the Government of Quebec announced its plan to raise tuition fees for out-of-province students. Bishop's supporters poured their hearts out and bled purple for all to see. To read your testimonials, to hear members of the Townships community speak out, and to watch them stand in alliance with Bishop's in Centennial Theatre in October was a comfort like none other. This

reinforced to me the Bishop's family of graduates and other friends remains solid, loving, and supportive, no matter the situation.

Like in any family, of course, there are moments of celebration and happiness to relish in as well. The total solar eclipse on April 8th was the perfect opportunity for us to gather and delight in this once-in-a-lifetime occasion. After the uncertainty and stress of the fall semester, it was especially touching to watch friends and family get together and experience this moment of wonder as one.

While the contrast between the two semesters and the emotions we all felt may have been jarring, the juxtaposition serves as an important reminder that difficult times will happen, but there will always be moments of joy and tranquility. And our purple family will thrive in each and every instance.

—*Jacqueline Scott '90*

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A CONVOCATION OF CHANGE



Former Principal Michael Goldbloom, C.M., Principal and Vice-Chancellor Dr. Sébastien Lebel-Grenier, and former Principal Dr. Hugh Scott DCL '99

In her opening remarks, Vicky Boldo, Associate Director of Indigenous Initiatives, reminded us that Bishop's University's 196th Convocation coincided with the Autumnal Equinox—a day that embodies both endings and new beginnings. The timing could not have been more fitting as graduates said goodbye to their days as Bishop's students and prepared for the next steps in their lives, while the Bishop's family welcomed our 19th Principal and Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Sébastien Lebel-Grenier.

Indeed, Vicky mentioned that the morning of Convocation she heard the geese overhead and considered the ways in which their journey reflected those of the students who were “about to leave the nest and fly off to new adventures.” This resounded with the B.U. community's experience as well as “we welcomed a new principal into our flock.”

Chancellor Daniel Fournier likewise remarked upon the duality of this unique Convocation ceremony as he addressed the graduating class:

“Today symbolizes the transition and renewal, in your own lives, that you're about to embark upon. For former Principal Goldbloom, like yourselves, he leaves a community that has been enriched and strengthened by your presence. For Principal Lebel-Grenier, just like you, he ventures into a new phase of his life to be a leader in his community brimming with new ideas and possibilities.”



Chancellor Daniel Fournier and Principal Lebel-Grenier

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Honorary Degree Recipients

Doctors of Civil Law *honoris causa* were conferred to Luce Samoisette, former Rector at *Université de Sherbrooke*, and Heidi Spector, Geometric Minimalist Artist. Ms. Samoisette, having worked with Michael Goldbloom during his time as Principal and her time as Rector, commended his work during his tenure and expressed her gratitude for his support and the alliance between our two universities. In parallel, Ms. Spector recalled working alongside Dr. Lebel-Grenier on a permanent art installation when he was Dean of Law at *Université de Sherbrooke* and highlighted his dedication to fostering the best learning environment for his students, a trait she asserts will undoubtedly benefit the Bishop's community.

Installation of Dr. Sébastien Lebel-Grenier as Principal and Vice-Chancellor

While Dr. Lebel-Grenier had been in office since July, the ceremony marked the official start of his role as Principal and Vice-Chancellor at Bishop's University. Dr. Lebel-Grenier extended his congratulations to the graduating class and told them why he chose our institution as his next chapter: "I wanted to be at Bishop's because its identity embodies values that are fundamental to me—collaboration, respect, inclusion, and curiosity."

No doubt, this identity resonated with our new graduates who most likely chose Bishop's for similar reasons. The Principal concluded with the promise that no matter where the future leads the class of 2023, Bishop's will always support them.



Principal Lebel-Grenier with Luce Samoisette, former Rector at *Université de Sherbrooke*, and Heidi Spector, Geometric Minimalist Artist

All photos: Jessica Ford Photography



THE FIGHT FOR BISHOP'S

As you can imagine, my first semester as Principal of Bishop's University was more tumultuous than anticipated. The Quebec Government's announcement that it was doubling tuition fees for out-of-province students was completely unexpected.

I had already scheduled a meeting with the Minister of Higher Education to introduce myself and discuss Bishop's priorities and future. Instead, the focus of the encounter shifted to the proposed tuition increase, which I knew would be catastrophic for our institution.

It was obvious to me that Bishop's unique situation was not considered when these measures were drafted. For us to pull through, Bishop's survival would have to become the headline story. And it did.

Everyone in our community understood the importance of reacting quickly and efficiently. I accepted every media interview request—and solicited even more—and our supporters went into action.

We needed to send a strong message that our community was rallying behind our institution and against these measures. It's at times like these that you learn who your true friends are, and Bishop's friends certainly rose to the occasion.

Our alumni reacted in full force, openly voicing their concerns and sharing powerful testimonials about their time at Bishop's and in the province.

When I think of the standing-room-only press conference in Centennial Theatre on October 31st, where the wider Eastern Townships community, a vast majority of them Francophone leaders, stepped forward to advocate for Bishop's, I get chills. It was surreal—the energy and the engagement in promoting Bishop's contributions to the region were beyond anything I could have imagined. It was at that moment I knew we would prevail.

Ultimately, I firmly believe that it was this resounding show of solidarity that led to an exemption for Bishop's, unlike McGill and Concordia.

Despite the positive outcome for us, these measures continue to be harmful for Quebec. The reform has significantly impacted the perception of the province as a potential place of study and has created a chilling effect. Many prospective out-of-province and international students have told us they feel unwelcome because they believe this policy is reflective of a wider sentiment in Quebec. We know this to be false, but perception can be a difficult opponent. As such, we are dealing with the aftermath daily.

We have doubled down on our recruitment efforts, and our alumni continue to play a crucial role in spreading the message that our out-of-province and international students will always be, and feel, welcome at B.U., and in Quebec, as they have for over 180 years.

The reality is we will not know the full impact of these measures until this fall. For now, we continue to do everything we can to minimize the repercussions while focusing on projects essential for our institution's progress and growth.

Bishop's University continues to build on its rich history, and we are fortunate to have a deeply supportive and generous community that assists us every step of the way. If this experience has taught me anything, it is that when push comes to shove, our community is a powerful force. And Bishop's University is here to stay.

— *Dr. Sébastien Lebel-Grenier*
Principal and Vice-Chancellor



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SHINING A LIGHT ON OUR FOOD SYSTEMS

In October 2022, Dr. Vivian Valencia was appointed Research Chair in Sustainable Agriculture and Climate Action (SACA Research Chair) at Bishop's, and the Chair was officially inaugurated in September 2023. Alongside colleagues and students from the Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems (SAFS) program, Dr. Valencia will be researching *lighthouses*—extraordinary farm and food system initiatives that are pioneering production methods, social organization, and market arrangements that support more sustainable, fair, and equitable agrifood systems.

Dr. Valencia began her career as an ecologist intent on discovering how we could best conserve our remaining forests and jungles. Her first research project led her to the highlands of Chiapas, Mexico, where she studied coffee growing communities and discovered local farmers practicing agroforestry, a land management system that uses the beneficial interactions of trees intentionally grown with crops. It was then she started to ask herself how conservation and local agricultural production could work hand in hand.

Dr. Valencia spent many years learning about the challenges within our agricultural and food systems: the ways in which industrialized farming is hurting biodiversity and contributing to climate change, how farmers are struggling to make ends meet, and so on. She simultaneously began to see clear solutions, such as farming by applying agroecological practices,

cooperatives to strengthen farmers' bargaining power, and movements to advocate for farmers' rights. Yet, there was still a wide gap between understanding the problem and adopting solutions in a widespread manner. Why, if we knew there were better farming practices, did more farmers not adopt them? Why, if there were better social and market organization arrangements, did more farmers not implement them? This is when she sought out the farmers who had surmounted many constraints to farm in more sustainable, fair, and equitable ways—which she calls *lighthouses*.

Lighthouses are the early adopters of solutions that defy the status-quo; they prove we can produce food and agricultural commodities while also regenerating nature and building a strong social fabric within our communities.

"It is my dream that my research will help us chart a pathway towards more sustainable and just food systems and will mobilize actors to get on that path. For this, generating knowledge is not sufficient—we also need to engage with diverse actors in the food system and inspire them to take bold actions."

—Dr. Vivian Valencia

By focusing on *lighthouses*, Dr. Valencia's research team is starting to understand how these farmers and initiatives emerged, what sustains their journey but also what challenges them. This exploration provides insights on which vital actions are needed to support more farmers



Lisa Morin, District Vice-President Rive-Sud, TD Canada Trust Bank, and Dr. Vivian Valencia

and key players to step away from industrial systems and create a new and radically better food system.

Now, as the SACA Research Chair, Dr. Valencia is identifying these *lighthouses* in Quebec and has received

a positive response from local farmers who are eager to have their stories heard and join forces with other allies who can support their cause.

Last semester, Dr. Valencia and her students started refining the concept of *lighthouses*. They decided to root the notion in the principles of food sovereignty, a powerful concept that advocates for

the right of people and communities to define and control their own food systems. This approach emphasizes the importance of local, sustainable, and equitable food production that is culturally appropriate and environmentally sound, as opposed to food systems driven by market forces,

which often prioritize private profit over social and ecological welfare. This concept goes beyond food security, focusing on local autonomy, local markets, and community-based agriculture, and it champions the rights of farmers and consumers to determine how their food is produced, traded, and consumed.

The team also started identifying and interviewing local farmers whom they believe are shining a light on what future food systems should look like. The plan is to continue uncovering these stories and to find trail-blazing farmers during the year.

Support from TD Bank Group

Funding from TD Bank Group (TD) has been instrumental in launching Dr. Valencia's research and furthering the vision of the SAFS program. In 2022, through the Bank's corporate citizenship platform, the TD Ready Commitment, TD committed \$500,000 over five years to Bishop's in support of the SACA Research Chair and the educational farm, which is key to giving students hands-on opportunities to learn to farm sustainably. SAFS students are taught to take a food systems approach, which is a comprehensive perspective to examining all the interconnected elements and processes involved in the food systems, including production, processing, distribution, marketing, consumption, and disposal of food. By adopting a systems approach, it will be possible to understand the root causes of the problems and design interdisciplinary solutions.

The First Supper

Dr. Valencia hopes to assemble a diverse community of food system



The bedrock on which the *lighthouse* sits represents the pillars of food sovereignty. The tower represents collaborative research and education via the door of Bishop's research infrastructure. The *lighthouse* network rests on this structure and is a gathering space and viewpoint. The *lighthouse* farms shed light for a brighter future through the fog of existing food systems to guide future food systems towards the Bay of Transformation and agroecology.

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actors—from farmers to decision-makers—along with faculty and students at a gathering she calls *The First Supper*. This supper will symbolize the inaugural meal of our aspirational future—a world in which food systems are sustainable, just, and equitable. This dinner imagines the future of food production, bringing together the changemakers who are reshaping the journey from farm to fork. *The First Supper* will include a meal produced by regional *lighthouse* farmers and show how the future they envision can take root in the present.

The gathering will kick off with an interactive Forum Theatre performance, in partnership with the Bishop's Drama Department. Derived from the Theater of the Oppressed, this dynamic form of theatre actively

engages the audience, turning spectators into "spect-actors" who explore, challenge, and transform existing narratives in the food system. Through this immersive experience, participants are not only invited to critique and reimagine the complexities of food systems but are also empowered to devise and embody practical solutions, cultivating a shared empowerment and a proactive community dialogue.

Faculty and students from various departments will also be invited to contribute their visions of the future through art, writing, or multimedia projects. These works will be displayed at *The First Supper* and will later be showcased in a pop-up exhibit at the Foreman Art Gallery, extending the dialogue beyond the event.



Deantha Edmunds and members of the Philippe Dunnigan string quartet

MUSIQUE CHEZ NOUS CELEBRATES ITS 40TH ANNIVERSARY SEASON

The *Musique Chez Nous* (MCN) concert series showcases the talents of local musicians, visiting artists, and the University's own music faculty. Founded in 1982 by former Dean of Music Dr. Tom Gordon, MCN has now orchestrated approximately 400 shows. All-time favorites include the concert that opened Bandeen Hall—a concerto for harpsichord and string orchestra, composed by retired professor Dr. Andrew MacDonald, C.M. and performed by H       Panneton with the *Orchestre de chambre de l'Estrie*, the Sesquicentenary Extravaganza in 1993 for which Dr. MacDonald composed a piece incorporating all the faculty and students from the school at the time, and the full week of concerts in 1995 as part of the international conference and festival that marked the 150th anniversary of French composer Gabriel Faur  .



Magical Mystery Tour: An Evening with the Beatles

For their 40th anniversary season, the MCN organizers curated a diverse and exciting lineup: the annual *Howard Brown Tribute Concert*, which featured the return of Dr. Gordon and performances by members of the Music Department, as well as traditional and contemporary Indigenous music from Newfoundland and Labrador performed by the fall semester's Artist-in-Residence, Inuk Soprano Deantha Edmunds, accompanied by members of the Philippe Dunnigan string quartet; a performance of original compositions from Juno-nominated artist **Alex Cattaneo '18**, and the *Magical Mystery Tour: An Evening with the Beatles*, a B.U. Singers production. The latter marked the 25th year of collaboration between **Fannie Gaudette '02** and Dr. Jamie Crooks and had two sold out shows with multiple standing ovations.



CAMPUS ORCHARD TAKES ROOT

The Tree Care and Biodiversity Committee, led by **Dr. Hugh Scott DCL '99**, was joined by members of the Sustainable Development Office, the Environmental Club, and the Buildings and Grounds Office to plant the first eight trees of Bishop's University's future orchard in Hamilton Quad. The planting was done in celebration of National Tree Day on September 21st, 2023, and included the Akane, Honeycrisp, Liberty, and Yellow Transparent (also known as Harvest Apple) varieties.

Principal Lebel-Grenier, and his spouse **Nadia Martel '90**, also planted Ginkgo trees in front of the Library Learning Commons in October to commemorate their new beginning at Bishop's University.

NEW DOCTOR OF PSYCHOLOGY CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY PROGRAM

In October 2023, Bishop's University proudly announced its first doctoral program since the early 1900s, the Doctor of Psychology, Clinical Psychology program. This is a *Université du Québec à Chicoutimi (UQAC)* program offered by extension at Bishop's University and is accredited by the *Ordre des psychologues du Québec (OPQ)*. Bishop's will welcome its first cohort of sixteen students in the fall 2024 semester. The program is specifically designed for students who speak both English and French who intend to practice clinical psychology.

This uniquely bilingual developmental psychology program is intended to benefit the local community. A clinic, to be located on campus, will be open to community members starting in late 2025. Indeed, when planning the implementation of this program, it was important to those involved that it be **in the community** and **serve the community**. The growing shortage of psychologists as well as the difficulty of finding English-language services in the region make this program a shining light for the surrounding community. It is the University's hope that it will retain some of its current undergraduate psychology students and help combat the challenges the local community faces when it comes to accessing bilingual mental health services.



Bishop's community members standing to form the number 180

CELEBRATING 180 YEARS IN STYLE

Bishop's University celebrated its 180th birthday this past December. Students and community members were invited to the Quad for hot chocolate, birthday cupcakes, and a special gift of B.U. mittens. Principal Lebel-Grenier, **Sophia Stacey '24**, President of the Student Representative Council, and Chief Richard O'Bomsawin of the Abenaki Council of Odanak spoke to those gathered, and the B.U. Singers performed a distinct rendition of the school song. Thank you to everyone who came to celebrate this remarkable milestone. Let's raise a toast to another 180 years of Bishop's!



Dr. Andrew Webster, Vice-Principal Academic and Research; Dr. Daniel Lalonde, Clinical Psychology Program Director at *Université du Québec à Chicoutimi*; Dr. Catherine Malboeuf-Hurtubise, Clinical Psychology Program Director at Bishop's University; and Dr. Sébastien Lebel-Grenier, Principal and Vice-Chancellor



Maxime Lafrance, Advisor, Donations and Sponsorships, Desjardins; Stéphanie Allen, *Caisse des Deux-Rivières de Sherbrooke*, Desjardins; bursary recipients Courtney Gallan, Lillie Jacklin, Samuel-Alexander Lippé, and Gabriel Pelletier; Marco Boucher, General Manager of the *Caisse Desjardins des Deux-Rivières de Sherbrooke*; and Dr. Sébastien Lebel-Grenier, Principal and Vice-Chancellor

DESJARDINS FUELS STUDENT SUCCESS

The official announcement and celebration of the latest transformative partnership between Bishop's University and the Desjardins Group took place on February 1st, 2024. Desjardins has pledged a generous \$310,000 over a three-year period to support the following initiatives: the Desjardins *Estrie-Preneur* Internship Program, the Desjardins Exam Care Packages, the Desjardins Pitch Competition, and the Desjardins Bursaries.

Wooden benches, hand-crafted by Bishop's employees from these historic giants, have been installed throughout the campus thanks to the generosity of donors to the Beautification Fund and the Peter Curry Marsh.

We are grateful to the late **Peter Curry '34, Thomas Pick '66, Judy Hopps '69, Sally M. Sharp '71, David Jones '76, Bruce Stevenson '76, Paulina Grant '77, Catherine Scott '92, Jeff MacDonald '04, Fiona Macleod, Dr. Hugh Scott DCL '99** and Paule Ouimet, and Ducks Unlimited Canada, for their support of conservation initiatives on campus over the years.

SUSTAINABLE BENCHES GRACE THE B.U. CAMPUS

The Bishop's University campus presents a blend of historic architecture and bucolic rural life. Nature is omnipresent; the majestic white pine trees are a symbol of our heritage. But everything has a lifespan and, sad as it may be to see one of these pine trees come down, Bishop's commitment to recycling and sustainability has given the trees another life.



Photo: Jessica Garneau



MUSICAL THEATRE STUDENTS BRING SPRING AWAKENING TO BISHOP'S

Spring Awakening, the latest musical theatre production to grace the stage of Centennial Theatre, was a triumphant success. Based on the play of the same name by Frank Wedekind, this coming-of-age rock musical with music by Duncan Sheik and a book and lyrics by Steven Stater explores the trials and tribulations of adolescent life. The show, directed by Dr. Art Babayants and brought to life by students from the Musical Theatre concentration and Musical Director **Fannie Gaudette '02**, received much positive feedback and several standing ovations. Viewers were impressed with the professional and tactful portrayal of difficult subject matter and the incredible talent of the performers.

Introduced in 2021, the B.U. Musical Theatre concentration is the only program in Quebec providing musical theatre training in English at a university level. *Spring Awakening* was the third large-scale musical production put on since the inception of the concentration, and the outstanding quality of Bishop's musicals has been acknowledged by local artists and critics.

If you would like to encourage musical theatre productions at Bishop's, please consider joining the newly introduced Director's Circle, a group of like-minded people who love the performing arts and are interested in supporting an annual musical production, and by extension, the stage performers of tomorrow. Learn more at ubishops.ca/Directors-Circle.

STUDENTS PERFORM AT CARNEGIE HALL

Bishop's students, faculty, and community members had the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to sing Felix Mendelssohn's *Psalm 42* on the main stage of Carnegie Hall in New York City this March. The possibility came about when conductor and educator Dr. Charlene Pauls decided to organize a special choral performance where the choir would consist of both amateurs and professionals, including students and seniors, from across Canada. Wanting Bishop's to be part of this unique experience, Melinda Enns, Music Tutor (Voice) at Bishop's, with the help of the Music Department, the office of the Dean of Humanities, and donations from Bishop's alumni, organized a small group to travel to New York. To prepare for the performance, participants studied the historical background of *Psalm 42*, read about the composer, and had rehearsals to learn the piece, which was to be sung in German.

Julien Novak, a Music Performance student, reflects fondly on this adventure, saying "Stepping onto the illustrious stage of Carnegie Hall was a transformative experience for me, which was made possible by Bishop's University. I am grateful for the opportunity to explore the culturally vibrant city of New York. Walking in the footsteps of my inspirations and listening to music not found elsewhere enriched my artistic journey in ways I could have never imagined."





Dr. Sarah-Myriam Martin-Brûlé, Regan Simpson, Raly Bekkali, Midge Cadeau, Melanie Toppa, Michael Wilkinson, Camilla Rizzi, Savana Cianci, Sasha Kardos-Machado, Angus Whyte, Irma Susset, Irmah Alao, **Joey Forfellow '23**, Alana Ospina, Mikael-Benedict Worku, Laurie Van Herk, Mar Paquette, Étienne Belanger-Ménard, and Mohammed Al Fotihi

BISHOP'S WINS HIGHEST RECOGNITION AT NATIONAL MODEL UNITED NATIONS

The Bishop's University delegation to the National Model United Nations (NMUN) triumphed at the NMUN New York Conference in late March, earning the prestigious *Outstanding Delegation* award for their exemplary representation of Poland. This esteemed recognition is awarded to delegations that demonstrate outstanding active participation in committees, uphold the highest standards of professionalism and diplomatic decorum, and meticulously adhere to NMUN's rules and procedures. Additionally, B.U. delegates distinguished themselves by securing six *Best Delegate* awards and two *Best Position Paper* awards, showcasing their exceptional individual and collaborative skills. Over 7,000 student delegates from 430 colleges and universities from 130 UN member states attended the conference.



The students had taken part in the UN Practicum, a year-long course taught by Dr. Sarah-Myriam Martin-Brûlé, which immerses students in the comprehensive study of the UN system. Upon their return, they had the opportunity to meet and discuss their experiences with Mrs. Patterson Webster, a generous donor to the Model UN Practicum.

Bishop's NMUN delegates and Mrs. Patterson Webster

BUFF CELEBRATES ITS 10TH ANNIVERSARY

The Bishop's University Film Festival (BUFF), the brainchild of Dr. Steven Woodward, Full Professor of English, reached an important milestone this year, celebrating 10 years of student collaboration and creativity. This digital filmmaking competition welcomes short film submissions in any genre and is open to students across all programs at Bishop's. The student films are projected on the big screen in Centennial Theatre at the annual Gala Awards Night, giving students the unique opportunity to have their work viewed and admired by a live audience.



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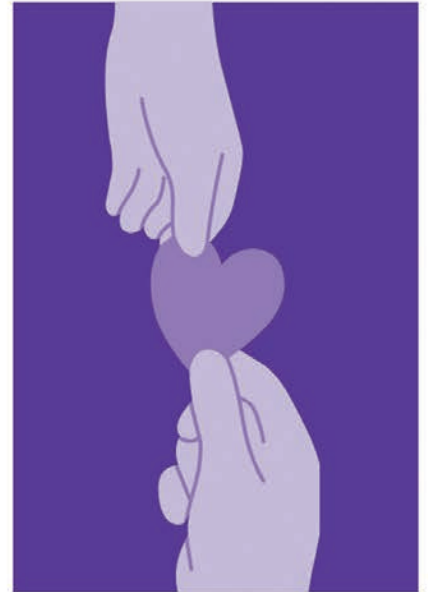
Eva Corric, Marine Ledez, and Dr. Steven Woodward, creator and Faculty Director of BUFF

This year, the film *The Last Note*, won both *Best Narrative Film* and *Audience Choice*. It was directed by Business Administration students Marine Ledez and Eva Corric and written by Marine, Eva and Biology student Elise Gutierrez—all three were exchange students from France. Marine and Eva thoroughly enjoyed the experience, saying "For one week, we dedicated ourselves to scripting, filming, and editing our short movie, relishing in the diverse interpretations of the story. This experience will stand out as a cherished memory of our time spent here in Canada. We also wanted to give a special mention to Lior Blanzzy (one of the actors) for composing one of the songs."

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THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION CELEBRATES 125 YEARS

It was in 1898 that the first “Art of Teaching” class was held in McGreer Hall at Bishop’s. Since then, the School of Education (S.O.E.) has forged a unique and rich history, giving rise to numerous achievements worth celebrating and taking pride in.

Initially established as a liberal arts college affiliated with the Anglican Church in 1843, Bishop’s recognized the importance of incorporating teacher training into its broader educational mission from the beginning. Unlike more traditional schools, the University integrated its education program within its existing structure, emphasizing the interdisciplinarity of education and the liberal arts.

It was in 1923 that Bishop’s founded its Department of Education. As part of the teaching program, students took the required courses in Education and needed to meet the criteria outlined in the “Regulations of the Protestant Committee for the High School Diploma.” To become certified teachers, students had to take these five courses: Principles of Education, History of Education, Educational Methods, School Law and School Management, and Practice Training. The practice teaching portion included 50 half-days under supervision, whereas students today are required to complete 700 hours.

In the late 1920s, the Department of Education established its first M.A. program. This degree allowed students—mostly teachers who wanted to go back to school or students who wished to complete a Ph.D.—to continue their scholarly pursuits. This program was particularly



Dr. Jefferis '27 with the Education Class of 1964.
They will celebrate their 60th anniversary in June 2024.

Photo: MG 01 6 Jeffrey Jefferis fonds. Bishop's University Archives.

popular among principals and others who sought leadership roles in education.

Initially, the curriculum focused on pedagogy, instructional strategies, and classroom management. Over time, however, the program expanded to include a broader range of subjects, such as educational psychology, curriculum design, and assessment. Today, this program still exists and is known to attract people who are interested in advanced learning in the teaching profession.

After the Master of Education was established, the next addition was a summer session designed for secondary school teachers who wished to improve their professional status. Each year, Bishop’s offered teachers the opportunity to take graduate credits toward earning an M.Ed. This step allowed Bishop’s to engage with and contribute to community schooling in the Eastern Townships.

The Quiet Revolution of the 60s led to the evolution of education from Church-controlled schools to schools with greater government oversight.

Throughout the 20th century, as the demand for public education grew, Bishop’s adapted its education program to meet evolving needs and government regulations. It expanded its curriculum to include elementary education programs and established formal diploma programs. These programs have aimed to produce competent teachers equipped to navigate the complexities of modern education. The Department of Education became the School of Education in 1977.

Key figures like Dr. W.O. Rothney and **Dr. Jeffrey Jefferis '27** played crucial roles in shaping the direction of the program at Bishop’s. Dr. Rothney was the first professor appointed to the School of Education in 1928 and was the sole professor until he died in 1944. Dr. Jefferis, fondly known as



Dr. Avril Aitken, former (and first) Dean of the School of Education Dr. Cathy Beauchamp '70, Adam Young '14, Tom Matthews '61, Jack Garneau '57, Bruce Stevenson '76, Dean of the School of Education Dr. Julie Desjardins

"Dr. Jeff", took the helm from 1944 until 1968. He was a prominent member of the Protestant School Board and was known for his advocacy and promotion of education in the Eastern Townships. Under their leadership and that of their successors, the program gained recognition for its excellence and commitment to innovation. In 2008, the S.O.E. became a faculty at Bishop's, and Dr. Cathy Beauchamp '70 was appointed the first Dean of The School of Education.

The Bishop's University S.O.E. continues to be a force in the educational landscape in Quebec and Canada and an important resource for the English-speaking community in Quebec. In 2023-2024, 424 students were enrolled in the program.

To celebrate its special milestone, the School of Education invited alumni, current students, faculty, staff, and friends to gather on campus in April. The evening included a discussion panel, led by Dr. Avril Aitken, with four guests of honour: Jack Garneau '57, Tom Matthews '61, former (and first) Dean of the School of Education Dr. Cathy Beauchamp '70, and Adam Young '14. Each speaker reflected on their time at Bishop's and their memories of the education program, an enlightening moment for many who learned just how much the S.O.E. has evolved over the years. The celebration was a testament to the success and progress of the School of Education, and many agreed this evening reinforced their sense of belonging and pride for Bishop's.

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Ask Around— The Larger-Than-Life Story of Impresario Murray Farr

by Maureen Farr-Eagan



Maureen Farr-Eagan has donated a copy of her book, *Ask Around—The Larger-Than-Life Story of Impresario Murray Farr*, a biographical account of the fascinating life of her late brother, **Murray Farr '63**. Alumni can check out the book at Griffin House or order a copy for themselves by contacting Maureen at maureeneagan@sympatico.ca.

The Legacy of Villains

by Juliet Lockwood



Debut author **Juliet Lockwood '17** has launched her novel *The Legacy of Villains*, a spellbinding enemies-to-lovers retelling of *Peter Pan*. The book follows Jolie Hook, daughter of the infamous Captain Hook, as she battles against the shadowy and charismatic Peter Pan in a dangerous game of love, power, and survival. When Pan kidnaps her father, Jolie must navigate the treacherous Neverwoods and face the secrets of the Hook legacy to secure his release. Along the way, she discovers the dark magic of Peter Pan and uncovers the truth behind his obsession with trapping her in his realm.

Fight Like a Girl

by Mike Lewis



Mike Lewis '83 received the wonderful news that his Middle Grade book *Fight Like a Girl* won the 2023 Children's Book Council *Teacher's Favorite Award*. The Children's Book Council is the nonprofit trade association of children's book publishers in North America, dedicated to promoting children's books and reading. *Fight Like a Girl*, a compilation of stories of the toughest female warriors throughout history, is Mike's first foray into Middle Grade non-fiction.

Whale Fall

by Ann Lambert



Whale Fall is the third instalment of **Ann Lambert's '79** Russell and Leduc Mysteries series. Marie Russell and Detective Roméo Leduc are getting married at last, but the joyous occasion is eclipsed by an unexpected arrival: Magnus Sørensen, renowned eco-warrior—and Marie's first love. Magnus is planning a dramatic protest, and when the unthinkable occurs, Roméo and Marie must abandon their honeymoon to catch a murderer, forcing them to dig up some long-buried secrets along the way. Meanwhile, an elderly couple have gone missing, and Roméo and Marie must try to find them before it's too late. Fast-paced and chilling, *Whale Fall* is a thrilling tale of love and vengeance.

THE SMITH LEGACY REIGNITED AFTER 30 YEARS

Garth Smith is a name synonymous with golf in the Eastern Townships and at Bishop's University. His legacy speaks for itself, and today, it lives on through his children and grandchildren.

Until recently, the last Bishop's Gaiters conference golf championship win was in 1993 when Garth was at the helm. Thirty years later, it is Head Coach Ryan Smith, Garth's grandson, who led the Bishop's Gaiters Men's Golf team to victory, outperforming the 20-time RSEQ defending champions, the *Laval Rouge et Or*.

Much like his grandfather, Ryan has a soft-spoken demeanour and an innate ability to connect with his team. He naturally brings out the best in his players—Ryan Massicotte, Landen Harison, Shawn Robillard, Scott Loach, Michael Brazel, William Cote, and William de Sainte Marie—a skill that has not gone unnoticed, as he was named RSEQ Coach of the Year.

The first tournament took place at Milby Golf Club, a course that doubles as the Gaiters' home track, and Bishop's won the three-round event with a team total of -3, setting the pace for the year. They battled through the second event at *Club de Golf La Faune* and maintained their lead, which sent them to *Club de Golf Lévis* for the RSEQ championship. Determined to avoid being dethroned, Laval played their best but ultimately could not outmatch the little Lennoxville institution on the mighty Massawippi shore.

Team captain Massicotte led the way with a sizzling 2-under 70 to propel the Gaiters to victory. He finished the season as the individual



Ryan Smith, Scott Loach, William Cote, Landen Harison, Ryan Massicotte, Michael Brazel, and Shawn Robillard

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silver medalist, an RSEQ all-star, and was later named the Bishop's University *Male Athlete of the Year*. Robillard joined him on the first all-star team while Loach and Harison were named second team RSEQ all-stars.

The family legacy also includes Jocelyn Smith, Garth's daughter and Ryan's aunt, who has been a volunteer coach with the Gaiters' women's program for several years. An accomplished golfer in her own right, Jocelyn has the experience and knowledge to lead the Bishop's Gaiters Women's Golf team to success.

They were a mere eight shots off qualifying for nationals this fall and are hungry to close that gap next year. Avery Mack, captain of the team, and Macy Louvet-Maik were both named RSEQ all-stars in the fall.

Fittingly, when the Gaiters returned to Lennoxville after their historic win in September, they celebrated in the Garth Smith Clubhouse at Old Lennox Golf & Ski. It was a memorable day, a strong season, and a beautiful reminder of the family ties at Bishop's.

SKATING INTO HISTORY: GABRIELLE SANTERRE'S RECORD-BREAKING JOURNEY

Meet Gabrielle Santerre, the Sports Studies Major and rookie hockey sensation who is leaving a trail of broken records in her wake. While this may have been Santerre's first season as a Bishop's Gaiter, her dedication and performance have already legitimized her as a force to be reckoned with in the world of women's hockey.

Originally from Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu, Santerre previously played for the Champlain Cougars where she was named the Cégep Division 1 *Player of the Year* in each of her final two seasons. In early 2023, Santerre made the decision to commit to the Gaiters, a move that has proven to be the perfect step in her athletic career.

In fact, Santerre was the leading scorer in Canada this season, with 45 points in 25 games. She helped lead the Bishop's Gaiters to their best-ever season with 32 points and a second-place finish in the RSEQ (*Réseau du sport étudiant du Québec*).

Santerre made history when the RSEQ's 2023-24 year-end awards were announced, and she was named both *Rookie of the Year* and *Player of the Year*. She became the first player in the conference to win both awards in the same season and was also named to the RSEQ's first all-star team and all-rookie team.



Gabrielle Santerre

Shortly thereafter, Santerre broke another record when she was named the U SPORTS *Outstanding Player of the Year* and *Rookie of the Year* at the women's hockey all-Canadian gala in Saskatoon. This was the first time a player in any team sport won both accolades in the same season. She was also named a first-team all-Canadian and member of the U SPORTS all-Rookie team.

At the end of March, Santerre was named Bishop's University's *Female Athlete of the Year* and *Female Freshman of the Year*; the first Gaiter to win both awards in the same season.

Clearly, Santerre's success this season is unprecedented, and it will be fascinating to see what lies ahead for the Gaiters Women's Hockey team and this hard-working student-athlete in her sophomore season.



Photo: University of Saskatchewan Athletics, U SPORTS

Gabrielle Santerre at the women's hockey
all-Canadian gala in Saskatoon

FROM STARGAZER TO COMMUNITY AMBASSADOR

Dr. Ilana MacDonald's '08 passion for astronomy began when her father purchased what she affectionately calls his "mid-life crisis telescope." Upon gazing at the clear night sky in the Eastern Townships, she developed an interest that would propel her to her current role as Public Outreach, Communications and Events Strategist at the Dunlap Institute for Astronomy & Astrophysics at the University of Toronto.

It was a high school field trip to discover the Bishop's Physics and Astronomy Department that launched Ilana's obsession with black holes in space—an interest she pursued until she earned her Ph.D. in Astrophysics at the University of Toronto.

While at Bishop's, Ilana did summer research every year with Dr. Lorne Nelson and was able to collaborate on papers with Dr. Ariel Edery. The opportunity to work with faculty recognized as leaders in their field was highly advantageous for her, especially when applying for graduate studies.

When deciding on her thesis topic at U of T, Ilana was inspired by Dr. Harald Pfeiffer's work on gravitational waves and ultimately chose to study these unique ripples in space and time that come from two black holes.

Although Ilana followed through on her dream and obtained her doctorate degree, she quickly realized that she also had a passion for public outreach. Giving tours of the telescopes and running shows from U of T's portable, inflatable dome planetarium fueled a desire to bring astronomy to the public in a less formal setting.

Fast-forward to February 2024, and Ilana has found her dream job at the Dunlap Institute. For Ilana and the Institute, outreach is a public



Dr. Ilana MacDonald '08

service—it's about engaging with people, teaching them, and trying to build and foster an interest in astronomy among people of all ages. In collaboration with *Visions of Science*, Ilana has the opportunity to connect with youth from Black communities and provide the necessary resources to cultivate their interests in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM). Alongside a variety of other projects designed to inspire scientific curiosity, Ilana and her colleagues also organize *Astronomy on Tap*, an event that often has an attendance of over 400 people.

Given Ilana's enthusiasm for sharing her knowledge and passion for astronomy, it should come as no surprise to learn she was named Head of the Ontario Eclipse Task Force, a group of universities, community groups, parks, and centres who joined forces to coordinate eclipse efforts in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) for the Total Solar Eclipse on April 8, 2024.

The cooperation of these groups culminated in several crucial and unique initiatives. They include, but are not limited to, the creation of eclipse-related curriculum materials made accessible to teachers of all grade levels, the identification of contacts along the path of totality to broadcast a livestream (starting in the Niagara region and ending in Newfoundland)*, and the distribution of 30,000 pairs of glasses to the GTA via the public library system.

Ilana hopes that schools along the path of totality took full advantage of this once-in-a-lifetime phenomenon and used it as an educational opportunity to foster an interest in STEM for the next generations.

After viewing the eclipse, Ilana said, "No picture, video, or simulation could adequately represent the reality of experiencing a total solar eclipse. Watching the sun disappear and the neon white ring of the corona appear in the sky, then being able to look directly at it and watch the sky turn into that 360-degree sunset was a moment that simultaneously lasted forever but was also over way too fast."

*Scan the following QR code to watch the video:



Fun fact: The current Bishop's University Astronomical Observatory website was designed by Ilana during one of her summer research jobs with Dr. Nelson.

AT THE HEART OF THE ECLIPSE

On April 8, 2024, at 3:27 p.m., the Bishop's University community witnessed the wonder of a total solar eclipse.

While many locations across the path of totality were subject to cloudy weather, the Eastern

Townships and Bishop's campus were fortunate to have nothing but clear skies and sunshine. Community members were invited to experience the magic of the eclipse in the company of friends and family at Coulter Field, the perfect viewing spot for such a momentous occasion. There was an air of excitement and curiosity as hundreds gathered on that special afternoon, and when the moon finally eclipsed the sun, the crowd cheered and clapped, and exclamations of awe and delight could be heard across campus.

"The intense darkness of the sun during totality surrounded by its bright corona felt like a portal opening in the sky to another dimension."

—Dr. John Ruan

For just over three minutes, people could remove their protective glasses and clearly see the beautiful ring of light that is the sun's corona, which is usually hidden by the brightness of the sun's surface. "The intense darkness of the sun during totality surrounded by its bright corona felt like a portal opening in the sky to another dimension. The experience was surreal, almost like a scene out of science fiction," said Dr. John Ruan, Associate Professor in the Physics and Astronomy Department and Canada Research Chair in Multi-Messenger Astrophysics, who was heavily involved in the organization of the on-campus viewing event. It was even possible to see Venus and Jupiter during this time thanks to their proximity to the sun. Dr. Ruan added, "Since we were in the middle of a circular shadow cast on the Earth during totality, we witnessed a 360-degree sunrise in all directions on the horizon, which we would never otherwise experience."

Mesmerized observers could be heard whispering about the sudden drop in temperature, the surrounding quiet as birds stopped chirping, and their complete amazement at being able to witness this phenomenon. It was a truly





Photo: Tim Doherty

spectacular moment that will surely remain engraved in the memories of everyone on campus that day, including many visitors who travelled incredibly long distances to experience the wonder of the eclipse at B.U.:

"My son and I were among the many who enjoyed the hospitality of Bishop's and what must have been one of the best viewing locations for the eclipse. We traveled from San Diego, California and were absolutely thrilled to find your beautiful campus and to enjoy the amenities you offered to the public. Everyone we interacted with was so friendly, the facilities were impeccable, and of course the eclipse itself was out of this world!" —Jill Schafer



Leading up to the eclipse, the Bishop's community was abuzz with activities and unique learning opportunities in preparation for this celestial event. Renowned French astronomer, Jean-Louis Heudier, came to Centennial Theatre to deliver his talk *Fantastic Eclipses, From Fear to Reason* as part of the Donald Lecture Series. Additionally, the Physics and Astronomy Department offered free tours of the Astronomical Observatory located on the roof of the Nicolls building. Visitors had the chance to see the rotating dome and look at the sun through a rooftop telescope while also learning more about the upcoming eclipse.

Led by Dr. Lorne Nelson, the Department also worked in collaboration with institutions across the Eastern Townships to obtain a \$60,000 grant from the *Pôle régional en enseignement supérieur de l'Estrie*. This funding was used to train a team of Eclipse Ambassadors who visited local elementary and secondary school classrooms and gave educational presentations on the eclipse. They reached more than 5,000 young students in the Eastern Townships, all of whom were able to enjoy the eclipse safely and with greater appreciation.

Even the Bishop's Arches Brewery joined in on the fun and created a new, limited-edition beer named AURA as part of a collaboration between the Physics and Astronomy Department and the team at the brewery. This unique dark lager was thoroughly enjoyed by all who tried it, proving it to be the perfect complement to this memorable day.



PURPLE PRIDE INSPIRES

In October 2023, our institution's future was put into question by the tuition reform proposed by the Government of Quebec. Our alumni rallied and wrote about the profound impact Bishop's had, and continues to have, on their lives. Here are but a few of your testimonials.

Bishop's was very small in the 1960s, but the experience and exposure to the Province of Quebec and specifically the Eastern Townships gave me a real insight into the culture and beauty of the province which has remained very special for me. Subsequently, as Chancellor I saw and met literally hundreds of students, both French and English, who expressed the same strong connection to Bishop's and the Townships.

I strongly believe Bishop's University is a huge and important asset to the Province of Quebec and the Eastern Townships and deserves to be seen and treated as such.

—**Scott Griffin '60**

By 1971 I had two degrees (B.A. and B.Ed) and was married in the Bishop's chapel to a man I met at Bishop's. We chose to live and work in the Lennoxville and Sherbrooke region. I celebrated my 50th reunion at Bishop's this year. My son works at Bishop's, and my husband was involved with the football program for many years. We bleed purple.

—**Josée Martineau Rourke '70**

Bishop's is where I obtained my undergraduate degree, as a member of the Class of '70; the place where I met my wife, and she received her degree; and where our three children later attended and were awarded their own degrees. All five of us are graduates of Bishop's—incredibly proud of the education we received and the



The Hon. Jamie W.S. Saunders '70, Gayle Saunders '71, Alyson Sturgess '03, Beth Saunders '03, Matt Saunders '00

lifelong friendships we forged—at this small campus in Lennoxville, Quebec. The superb training we received at Bishop's equipped each of us with the necessary skills to later obtain various graduate degrees and achieve considerable satisfaction and success in our chosen careers. It made us not only strong supporters of our *alma mater* but vocal ambassadors for Quebec and everything *la belle province* offered to those who came to study there.

—**Jamie W.S. Saunders '70**

I chose Bishop's for my post-secondary education based on the quality of the school, but what set Bishop's apart was its location. Studying Canadian history in Quebec at Bishop's offered a context that I simply could not have gained anywhere else in Canada. The importance of living in Quebec was integral to my studies, but my learning experience was not limited by curriculum. I gained better French language skills, an understanding and appreciation of Quebec and the French-Canadian culture as well

as many francophone friends. My enduring connection to Quebec is centered around the Bishop's experience, which has drawn me back to visit Lennoxville and elsewhere in Quebec with my family to reunite with Bishop's classmates and friends.

—**Sarah (Perry) Spencer '87**

As a young adult, Bishop's University was both welcoming and challenging. And at its heart is a desire to see all of its students succeed in its academic and social environment, move on and then turn back to offer a hand to lift the next generation. It strives to create well-rounded, intellectually curious, and compassionate global citizens. It certainly helped me become a better human.

—**Laurie Gagnier '92**

My Bishop's degree is more than just a collection of academic achievements. It is an embodiment of the values that lie at the heart of a well-rounded education: empathy, inclusivity, and a deep understanding of the human experience. It compels us to explore diverse cultures, histories, and world views cultivating compassion and tolerance. These qualities are not only essential for personal growth but also for building bridges of understanding in an increasingly interconnected and diverse world... Bishop's University is, without a doubt, one of the best things that ever happened to me and to Quebec.

—**Jane Brydges '95**

With children of my own, I dream of one day seeing them walk the same hallowed halls, don the Gaiters jersey, and create their own precious memories. It is my heartfelt wish that the doors to higher education remain open for all, just as they were for me, offering the same opportunities for our children and generations to come. It is worth mentioning that both of our children are currently enrolled in French immersion programs, which were made possible by my university years. They, too, are beneficiaries of the legacy of accessible education.

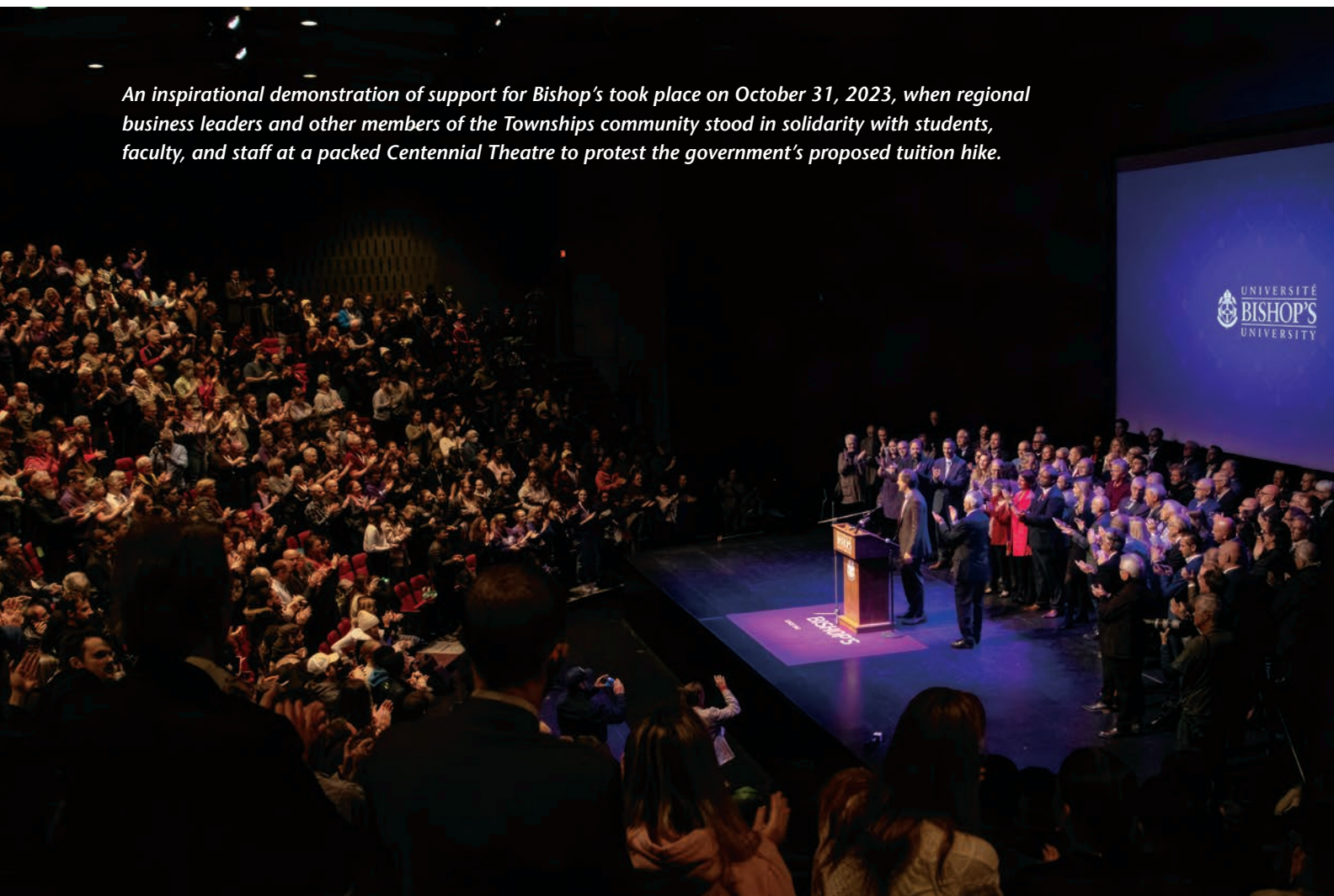
—Ryan Hamilton '99

As a graduate of a high school French immersion program in Ontario, part of what attracted me to Bishop's was that it was an English university in a French-speaking province. While I wasn't sure that my French language skills were strong enough to engage at the post-secondary level, the ability to be surrounded by the French language was a huge draw. After I graduated from Bishop's University, I moved back to Ontario and obtained a teaching degree. I have been a teacher for 20 years in the public school system in Ontario and have taught core

French to many of my students over those years. Without my experience living in Quebec, I would not have developed proficient French language skills. I regularly integrate aspects of Quebecois food, culture and history into my teaching programs. And I, hopefully, foster an interest in the French language and Quebec culture in my students.

—Brooke Charlebois '03

An inspirational demonstration of support for Bishop's took place on October 31, 2023, when regional business leaders and other members of the Townships community stood in solidarity with students, faculty, and staff at a packed Centennial Theatre to protest the government's proposed tuition hike.



I fell in love with *l'Estrie* the minute my family and I drove through the rolling hills on the way towards town from Montreal. I quickly learned that the French that I thought was “conversational” was actually at a “survival” level. But my fellow students, and the community, were very welcoming, and I made it through those first few months without any issue or homesickness.

I spent three years at Bishop’s, graduating in 2018. During that time, I gained an immense amount of respect for the unique culture of Quebec and the important role that the French language plays in making Canada what it is. I went from thinking that French was not applicable to my life, to being extremely jealous of those who effortlessly went back-and-forth between the two.

—James Hanoomansingh '18

I originated from China. Before I came to Quebec, I knew something about it already from both the media and the Internet: the world-leading aviation industry; the fruitful research in artificial intelligence; the outstanding gaming and IT companies, etc., and most important, the diverse culture. Among these, the French culture and language was a very important reason attracting me to Quebec. And Bishop’s gave me access to it. That is because it’s very hard to apply to those French universities in Quebec as a non-francophone.

Therefore, it’s almost impossible to approach Quebec for a non-francophone international student without the three English universities there.



Han Zhang '20, Fengying Wei, and their daughter, Ruixi Zhang (Sissi)

Oh, by the way, during my studies at B.U., I brought my wife and daughter here as well. My daughter entered a daycare in French at the age of 2. My wife learned French in French class offered by the government in the evening. In the daytime, she worked in a hotel, in French. After my graduation, I got my first job in CGI. So, we decided to settle down here in Quebec.”

—Han Zhang '20

In my first year, I lived in residence, and the seven people I shared a floor with are still friends of mine to this day—one of which I am now married to. My husband is from Lévis, Quebec, and one of his reasons for choosing Bishop’s University was to learn more English. After graduation, we moved to Lévis, and we still live there now. Over time, I have learned to speak French, but I have also been welcomed into a Quebec family who sees the value in my bilingualism.

I love my university and I am proud to be a Bishop’s alumna. I do not feel my English education has taken from the culture of this beautiful province. In fact, it has allowed me to contribute to it.

—Lauren Hutchings '21



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PRINCIPAL LEBEL-GRENIER MEETS B.U. ALUMNI

In the fall of 2023, newly installed Principal Dr. Sébastien Lebel-Grenier toured Western and Central Canada to meet Bishop's alumni in their cities. Receptions were well attended by engaged and supportive alumni and friends, all of whom left with confidence that Bishop's University is in good hands.



* Principal Lebel-Grenier was regrettably unable to attend the London Reception as he was called to a meeting with the Premier of Quebec regarding the tuition reform.



Tony Pacaud '61, Ethan Pacaud, Susan Pacaud '63, Charlotte Pacaud, Zayley Griffin, and Olivia Collins

Tony Pacaud '61 and **Susan Pacaud '63** visited us at Griffin House in September 2023 with their grandchildren, Ethan and Charlotte. They received a lovely campus tour from current students Zayley Griffin and Olivia Collins.



Andrea Hunt and Rev. Dr. Ronald Hunt '62

The **Rev. Dr. Ronald Hunt '62** and his wife, Andrea, stopped by Griffin House in October 2023 and received a campus tour from Alumni Relations Coordinator **Sterling Mawhinney '88**.

Peter O'Brien '67 was appointed to the Order of Canada in July 2023 in recognition of his dedicated volunteer leadership and contributions to health, education, and faith-based organizations in his community.

Congratulations to **Tim Griffin '71** who was part of the Canadian Men's Over 75 team that won gold in the International Tennis Federation Masters World Team Championships in Turkey in March 2024.

B.U. alumni and friends often meet on vacation in beautiful places. This was the case for **Bruce Stevenson '76**,

who chanced upon several Bishop's grads in Sint Maarten in November 2023. Interestingly, the children of everyone photographed have studied at Bishop's or are current students.

Helen Fortin '79, Bonnie Auger '84, and their friend Elysia Bryan Baynes enjoyed getting together at the Montreal Alumni Reception in October.



Bonnie Auger '84, Helen Fortin '79, and Elysia Bryan Baynes

Mark Chouinard '80 has retired after a 42-year career in various leadership roles in the wire and cable manufacturing, specialty plastics, and IT consulting industries.



Bryan McLean '81, Cathy McLean '82, Laura Rezlescu, Bruce Stevenson '76, Tim Dooley '84, and Suzanne Batten



Tim Saunders '83 and the Bishop's Gaiters Football Team



Desmond Kinch '84, Tim Hogarth '84, and Jamie Blair

Tim Saunders '83 enjoyed the plane trip with the Gaiters Football Team to Acadia in October and had the chance to watch the Gaiters win in person.

Former classmates Desmond Kinch '84, Tim Hogarth '84, and Jamie Blair caught up recently in the Cayman Islands. Desmond also saw Allan Chastanet '84 and Kevin Nealis '84 this year.

Louis Brown '86 and his daughter, Kelly Brown '16, returned to campus and enjoyed a game of golf during a summer trip to North Hatley.

Kelly Brown '16 and Louis Brown '86



Fabrice Blais-Savoie, Irmah Alao, Bruce Peever '86, Sasha Kardos-Machado, Lyssa Paquette '14, Marc-Alexandre Fonda '10, and Dr. Trygve Ugland, Chair, Department of Politics and International Studies

After 23 years, Cynthia Hooper '87 has retired from Eli Lilly and Company and started a new job as Executive Director Medical Writing, Head North America for Syneos Health.

Christian Rodrigue '87, and his spouse, Claire Alger, visited Griffin House in November. Their good friend, Trish Wood, gave them a tour of campus. (photo next page)



Christian Rodriguez '87, Development Officer **Trish Wood**, **Claire Alger**

appointed Chair of the Bishop's University Board of Governors, effective as of June 2024.

Anders Bard '92 was the Executive Producer for the 2024 film *French Girl*, starring Zach Braff, Evelynne Brochu, and Vanessa Hudgens.

Val Smith '94 was elected President of the Canadian Association of Road Safety Professionals (CARSP). CARSP is a national, multi-disciplinary, non-profit organization of professionals involved in the research, management, delivery, and promotion of road safety programs.



Celissa Vipond '07

Through her work with the Ontario Structure Psychotherapy Program, **Celissa Vipond '07**, RSW, MSW, was awarded the 2023 *Core Value Award* in the category of Innovation from Waypoint Centre for Mental Health Care. In 2020, Celissa and her friend, Melissa Lindstrom, RSW, launched Virtual CBT Psychotherapy, an online therapy service in Ontario. Since then, their team has helped hundreds of people across Ontario overcome symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder, obsessive-compulsive disorder, depression, and anxiety.

Dr. Ellie Louison '08 is one of the founders of CIRCLE, the new Center for Interdisciplinary Research, Collaboration, Learning, & Engagement, launched at Michigan State University in the fall of 2023. As the inaugural Associate Director of Teaching and Learning, she designs workshops and programming to support interdisciplinary teaching and collaborative course design, as well as facilitating campus opportunities for co-taught courses that bring different disciplines together to face broad challenges and wicked problems.



Dr. Trygve Ugland, **Irma Susset**, **Laurie Van Herck**, **Irmah Alao**, **Beatrice Morrison**, **Sasha Kardos-Machado**, **Sylvain Fabi '88**, **Dr. Gilbert Gagné**, and **Angus Whyte**

Sylvain Fabi '88, Consul General of Canada in Denver, Colorado, returned to campus in October 2023 to discuss Canada-US relations with students from the Politics and International Studies Department.

Founders of Neal Brothers Foods, **Peter Neal '89** and Chris Neal were inducted into the 2023 Canadian Grocery Hall of Fame in recognition of their contributions to the grocery industry and their commitment to communities and charities across Canada.

Murielle Lortie '91 was promoted to Chief Financial & Operating Officer at Claridge Inc. She has also been

Island Abbey Nutritionals™, founded by **John Rowe '95**, was awarded the *President's Excellence Award* for Innovation Excellence in 2024. This award is presented to a business showcasing outstanding performance and innovation leading to new or enhanced programs, products, services, or initiatives.

Cory Boyd '97 was named Co-Managing Partner at Rubin Thomlison LLP in Toronto.

Junior Sirivar '99, Partner at McCarthy Tétrault, and Vice-Chair of the Bishop's Board of Governors, was recognized in the *Leading Individuals* category in the 2024 Canada Edition of *The Legal 500*.

Samantha Halpin '08 and **Hannah Patrick '16** both find success as leaders in the Western Quebec School Board, Samantha as Principal and Hannah as Vice-Principal at Lord Aylmer Elementary School.

Trevor Golding '08, CEO and founder of Gold Leaf Technologies, was named one of Greenhouse Canada's 2023 Top 4 under 40, which honours the innovators and passionate professionals in the greenhouse industry. Gold Leaf Technologies, co-owned by Trevor and his spouse **Johanna Golding '09**, is a family-owned Canadian ag-tech company that equips commercial greenhouses, vertical farms, and research centers with the latest indoor agriculture technologies.



Trevor Golding '08, Johanna Golding '09, and their children, Lyla and Logan

Lyssa Paquette '14, Manager of Student Recruitment and Retention at Bishop's University, received the Council of International Schools *Future Leader Award*, which honours an emerging international admissions officer or school counsellor with strong leadership potential.



Gabrielle Stalker '20, Jazmine Aldrich '19, Daphnee Vandal '17, Stephanie Armstrong '18, Sam Neumann '17, and Jonah Tully '23

Daphnee Vandal '17 and **Sam Neumann '17** (members of the RedFox band), **Stephanie Armstrong '18, Jazmine Aldrich '19, Gabrielle Stalker '20, and Jonah Tully '23** returned to campus during Humanities Week to share their accomplishments and the challenges they have faced since graduating.

Josh Komangapik '19 was awarded the first *Arctic Indigenous Canadian Youth Fellowship* from The Conservation of Arctic Flora and Fauna.

Kelly Dean-Feldman '20, Digital Communication and CRM Officer at Bishop's University, was bestowed the 2023 *Staff Award*, which recognizes exceptional competence, service, respect, positivity, teamwork, innovation, and contributions to Bishop's.



Principal Lebel-Grenier, Kelly Dean-Feldman '20, and Lyssa Paquette '14

Casey Hébert '21 is pursuing an M.Sc. in Digital Marketing at the University of Galway in Ireland.

Laura Gómez Jiménez, exchange student in Finance at the Williams School of Business in 2003, was awarded 3rd place in the 2024 *Una dulce historia de amor* (a sweet love story) contest from the Embassy of Canada in Mexico. Although not a graduate of B.U., Laura reflects fondly on her time at Bishop's, which is where she fell in love with the French language.



Laura Gómez Jiménez and Graeme C. Clark, Ambassador of Canada to Mexico

RETIREMENTS

After 22 years at Bishop's, Steve Rowe, Foreman at Buildings & Grounds, retired in December 2023. We wish him nothing but the best in the journey ahead.



After five years as the Dean of the Williams School of Business, Reena Atanasiadis has decided to rejoin the corporate world by serving on two boards and returning to Concordia, her former university, to continue her academic career.

Under Reena's leadership, the WSB saw an increase in enrolments, the introduction of the Business Technology and Analytics concentration, the integration of

experiential learning in over 90% of business courses, the doubling of Co-Op enrollments, and multiple podium finishes in national and international case competitions.

Thank you, Reena, for your incredible impact at Bishop's, and we wish you the best in your future endeavours!

BREAKING THE ICE: B.U. MEN'S CLUB HOCKEY TEAM GOES TO AAU NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

With a large social media following, packed stands during home games, and enthusiastic community backing, the Men's Club Hockey team has brought some well-deserved notoriety and recognition to Bishop's University. Last season, the team joined the Division II New England Independent Hockey Conference (NEIHC), and the switch has produced some noteworthy results.

The team managed to remain in the Top 10 nationally ranked AAU Division II teams for 11 consecutive weeks, a feat that proves its dedication to establishing a strong and respectable program. Moreover, for the first time in the

program's history, the team qualified for the AAU National Championship alongside 19 other nationally ranked Division II teams. With the help of generous donors and alumni, the team made its way to the tournament in Philadelphia in March 2024.

The Bishop's players made quite an impact on the ice considering this was their first time participating in the AAU National Championships. They placed ninth out of 20 teams, barely missing out on moving to the final rounds. The team finished fifth in Division II, affirming itself as a formidable force on the ice for future seasons.



We remember the following alumni and friends with fondness and sorrow.

(Compiled from information sent to the Alumni Relations & Philanthropy Office before April 15, 2024.)

ALUMNI

The Honorable **Fred Kaufman '46, DCL '76, C.M.** on December 27, 2023. Originally from Vienna, Austria, Fred was evacuated to England when he was fifteen years old. He was later sent to an internment camp in Minto, New Brunswick and finally to a new camp in Sherbrooke, Quebec. He was released in 1942 and sponsored by the local rabbi and his family. He graduated from Sherbrooke High School in 1943 and was named class valedictorian. He then attended Bishop's and graduated in 1946. He was awarded an honorary doctorate from Bishop's in 1976 and bestowed the *Alumnus of the Year* award in 1979. Mr. Kaufman was appointed a Justice of the Quebec Court of Appeal in 1973, a member of the Order of Canada in 1992, and a Fellow of the Royal Society in 2002.

Crandall Bockus '49 on October 30, 2023. He is survived by his wife, Mary, and his three daughters, Nancy, Jennifer, and **Carrie '89**.

Beatrice Deadman '50 on October 10, 2023.

Frank Allen '51 on November 8, 2023.

The Reverend Canon Ian L. Bockus '54 on March 24, 2021. He was the brother of the late **Crandall Bockus '49**.

Tony Ketchum '58 on February 1, 2024. He was the lifelong friend of former Bishop's Principal **Dr. Hugh M. Scott DCL '99** and godfather to **Jacque Scott '90**.

Elizabeth Toop '59 on November 26, 2023.

Robert Coleman '61 on August 18, 2023.

Most Reverend Alexander Bruce Stavert '61, DCL '07 on September 11, 2023. Archbishop Stavert earned his B.A. at Bishop's in 1961 and was ordained to the priesthood in the Diocese of Quebec in 1965. From 1981 to 1984, he served as Campus Chaplain and was bestowed the *Alumnus of the Year* award in 1983. Bruce was elected to serve as the eleventh Bishop of Quebec in 1990. Consecrated the following year, he served as diocesan bishop until his retirement in 2009. In 2007, he was awarded an honorary doctorate at Bishop's for his commitment to humane and liberal values. Always an ardent supporter of his *alma mater*, Bruce will be missed but not forgotten.

Clifford Maclean '62 on August 24, 2023. A student leader in the early 60s, Cliff served as President of the Student Executive Council. He starred in both football and basketball with the nickname "The Golden Greek." His Bishop's family includes his sister **Margo McKnight '70**, his sister-in-law **Joanna Becket '72**, and his brothers-in-law, **Wilson Becket '76** and **Gordon McKnight '70**, along with lifelong friends, **Murray Smith '62**, **John Macaulay '62**, and **Dr. Sydney Price-Sparling '62** who writes: "Cliff's qualities of innate leadership, academic excellence, and the ethos of sport's fair play and friendship matured and flourished at Bishop's. These attributes continued to be expressed throughout his public and private life. I am most grateful for having been a member of the Class of '62 with Cliff, and for a friendship that grew richer, over 60 years, and includes his family."

Father Dean Purdy '64 on January 19, 2024.

Dr. Margaret Siber '64 on January 24, 2024.

Harry Littler '64 on February 21, 2024.

Sue Gall '64 on January 28, 2024. She is survived by her sister and brother-in-law, **Judy Jenne '56** and **Dr. Ross Jenne '56**.

Paul Gratias '67 on April 9, 2023. He is survived by his wife, Cynthia, his children, Carrie, Chris, Ali, and Kent, his twin brother, **Alan '67**, his sister Mary, and his brother-in-law, **Robert "Squee" Gordon '60**. A strong supporter of Bishop's Athletics, Paul established the *Paul Gratias Award* in 1998 to help student-athletes in financial need. Paul was a member of the Bishop's Corporation (now the Board of Governors) from 1999 to 2010.

Bradley Jones '68 on November 9, 2023. Brad was a member of the 1967 Men's Basketball team, the first basketball champions at Bishop's. He later became a benefactor of the team, helping to finance trips, uniforms, and team meals. The *Men's Basketball Newcomer of the Year* award is named after him. He was a second father to **Erin Hood '02**.

Jonathan Marler '70 on January 13, 2024. He was the brother of **David Marler '62**.

Gary Round '72 on February 10, 2024. He is survived by his wife, Darlene, and his children, **Kirk '01**, Heather, and Alison.

Janet Isobel Rattray Matthews '76 on January 30, 2024. In 1957, Janet met her first husband, the late **William Wright Badger '59**, at Bishop's, resulting in the beautiful and athletic quartet of Stacy, Jill, **Willy '87**, and Robyn. Other achievements at B.U.

include a legendary basketball hook shot and a B.A. (Drama) in 1976. Janet later married a Bishop's son, Peter Matthews. A celebration of Janet's life will be held on June 9, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Whitlock Golf and Country Club, 128 Côte St-Charles, Hudson, QC. The family welcomes donations to the Bishop's University Drama Department, a fitting tribute to Janet's love for the stage and support for future dramatic talents.



Janet Isobel Ratray Matthews '76

Paul Dailey '80 on August 16, 2023. He is survived by his brother, **Campbell Dailey '80**, his sister and brother-in-law, Jane and **Timothy Drain '70**, and his cousin, **Micah Sifton LaLeune '11**.



Bernard Hamel '82

Bernard Hamel '82 on November 9, 2023. Bernard was a proud and devoted supporter of the Bishop's Gaiters, particularly the golf, basketball, and football teams. In 2015, the Hamel Lounge was inaugurated in the John H. Price Sports Centre in recognition of Bernard's athletic and entrepreneurial achievements and his longstanding financial support. He is survived by his wife, Clémence Lacasse, and his children, Philippe, **Émilie '16**, and Laurence.

Elizabeth Towers '85 on January 5, 2024. Elizabeth was an employee of Bishop's University from 1970 until her retirement in 1995. She is survived by her sons **Geoffrey '79** and Anthony.

Lindsey Martin '91 on July 21, 2022.

Towa Beer '93 on November 25, 2023.

Margaret Nicoll-Griffith '01 (née Jordan) on October 21, 2023. She is survived by her children, **Deborah '81**, **Christopher "Tof" '88**, and Lynn.

FRIENDS

Hugh Auger on March 31, 2023. In 1996, he was awarded an honorary doctorate at Bishop's for his role "as an innovative educator, accomplished administrator, and a great defender of the rights of our community." His direction of the Lennoxville District School Board later made him the obvious choice for Director General of the Eastern Townships School Board. After retirement in 1995, he served on many boards including Global TV, Champlain Regional College, *Université de Sherbrooke*, and the Bishop's Corporation.

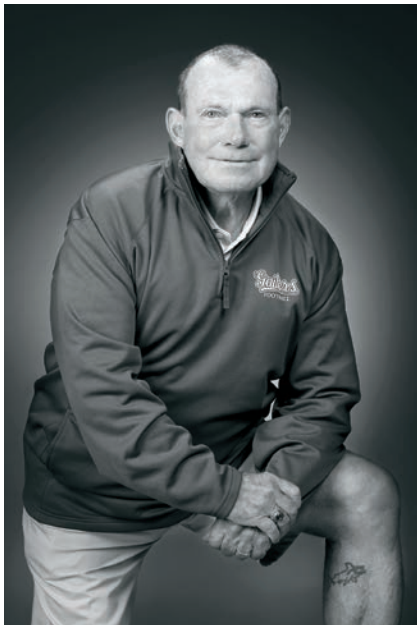
On behalf of the family, **Bonnie Auger '84**, Hugh's eldest daughter, has established *The Hugh Auger Memorial Bursary*, an endowed fund in his honour, to be awarded annually to an education student in financial need to help defray the costs during practice teaching assignments. If you would like to contribute to this fund, please visit ubishops.ca/give and type "The Hugh Auger Memorial Bursary" in the "Other" designation option.



Hugh Auger DCL '96

Terry Skeats on August 28, 2023. He taught courses in the Philosophy Department at Bishop's University and Champlain College from 1977 to 1988 and worked as a professional librarian at the library from 1981–2004. He was predeceased by his wife, **Phyllis (Emery) Skeats '80** and is survived by his stepchildren Sharon, Russell, and **Joanne '81**.

Ian Breck on September 24, 2023. Ian began his football coaching career at Champlain College Lennoxville and led the Cougars to the *Bol D'Or* Championships in 1979 and 1981. In 1984, he joined the coaching staff at Bishop's, taking over the reigns from Bruce Coulter as Head Coach in 1988. During his 11 years at the helm of the Gaiters Football program, Ian led the team to ten playoffs, five regular season championships, and Dunsmore Cup titles in 1988, 1990, and 1994. In 1992, Ian was named the CIAU *Coach of the Year* winning the Frank Tindall Trophy.



Coach Ian Breck

Ian returned to Bishop's in 2011 to help as a volunteer Assistant Coach and was inducted into the Bishop's University Wall of Distinction in 2017. He was a relentless and thorough recruiter and a highly organized position coach. His leadership enabled the Bishop's Gaiters to be recognized country wide as a powerhouse football program.

Ian is fondly remembered for his passion for his family and football. He is survived by his wife, Kathy, and his daughters, Erika, **Bridget '02**, and Lizzy.

Dr. Ophra Benazon, retired faculty member of the Department of Fine Arts, on October 12, 2023. Dr. Benazon was instrumental to the growth of the Department from its beginnings in the late seventies to her retirement in 2006.

Edward Smith on November 16, 2023. He will be missed by his brother, Frank, and his sister-in-law, **Merrylou Smith '97**. Alongside his brother, Ed was a stationary engineman in the arena and boiler room at Bishop's from 1969 until his retirement in 2007.

Tim Price on December 20, 2023. A member of the Bishop's Corporation from 1997 to 2006, Tim was a loyal supporter of the Bishop's Gaiters Football team. He set up the *Thomas E. Price Memorial Award* in memory of his late father, **Tom Price '51**, to support hardworking student-athletes. A week before his passing, **Gill Broome '82** and **Tom Allen '69** presented Tim with an *Honorary Bishop's Alumnus* certificate.

Suzanne Lévesque, C.M. D.h.c., on January 4, 2024. The former President and Chief Executive Officer of the Fondation J.-Louis Lévesque, Mrs. Lévesque was an outstanding philanthropist of remarkable generosity to countless organizations, including Bishop's University. She was the mother of **Yanick Pagé '87**.

Marian St-Onge on January 11, 2024. She worked at the Bishop's University library from 1974 until her retirement in 1996. Marian was the mother of **Deane '84**, Lori, Holly, Lee Anne, and the late Allan. Lee Anne and Holly are also retirees of Bishop's.

Jodi White, C.M., on February 10, 2024. Jodi was a member of the Bishop's Corporation from 2005 to 2010. She was the aunt of **Tova White '92**.

Joan Littlejohn on February 20, 2024. Joan started working at Bishop's in 1978 as a clerk in the library and retired in 1999. She is survived by her children, **Karyn '88** and Andrew.

Susan McDonald on February 26, 2024. Susan started working at Bishop's in 1978, as a part-time clerk in the library. She then worked as a receptionist and office clerk in 1980 and 1981 and as a library clerk from 1984 until her retirement in 2001.

WEDDING BELLS



Amanda (McAlpine) Chaval '11 married Kevin Chaval on July 5, 2020, in Victoria, BC. Mariah Bryant '11 was maid of honour. L to R: Simon Worley, Bob Desaulniers, David Epp, Kevin Chaval, Amanda (McAlpine) Chaval '11, Mariah Bryant '11, and Ethan Smith

Andrea O'Neill '14 married Benoît Lenders '14 on September 9, 2023. Pictured below with their son, Luke Lenders.

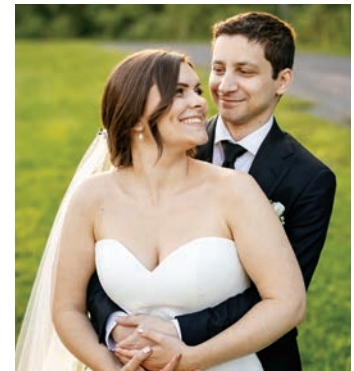


Chelsea McLellan '17 married Ryan Bradley '17 on August 20, 2023. They had a wonderful day with many B.U. friends.

L to R:

Emily Goguen '17, Andrew Howarth '19, Ali Abbott '17, Nathalie Proulx '17, Mat Van Doorn '18, Ryan Bradley '17,

Chelsea McLellan '17, David Belanger '18, Rebecca Forget-Larivière '20, Hayley Smith '17, Matt McLean '15, and Vicky Anderson '17



Emilie Bowles '13 married Ryan Kitner '14 on August 5, 2023. They returned to visit campus during their honeymoon.



Oliver Ryan '19 married Laylah Fariad in Cancun, Mexico on April 2, 2024.

L to R: Jo-Anne Ryan '83, Oliver Ryan '19, Laylah Fariad, Andrew Carmichael, Sawyer Brock '18, Natalie Lambert '17, and William Stokes '18



Doug Jarvis '12 married Robyn Shaw on June 9, 2023. They were grateful to have many B.U. classmates, other alumni, and professors in attendance. L to R: WSB Professor Dr. Mike Teed, John Miles '12, Jason Hines-Duncliffe '15, Robert Vitols '15, Stephen Jarvis '78, Laura Jarvis '78, Robyn Shaw, Doug Jarvis '12, Taylor Ross '14, Kathryn Thibeault-Ross '13, Adie Deeks '86, Doug Ross, Jennifer Richardson-Penman '12, former Associate Professor David Russell, and Christian Mathews-Gagné '13

Teresa Maria Julian '13 and Raul Cirugeda Conejos welcomed Sofia Cirugeda Julian on November 10, 2023. Isabella Cirugeda Julian, now three years old, is happy to become a big sister!



Samuel Marceau '19 and Alexandra Marceau '19 welcomed Winnie Marceau on December 23, 2023.

Rick Lamanna '02 and Katherine Bouchard welcomed twins Angelina Rose "Angie" Lamanna and Brigitte Christina "B" Lamanna on October 13, 2023. Mom and Dad are equal parts astonished and terrified!



Amanda (McAlpine) Chaval '11 and Kevin Chaval welcomed their son Lachlan John Chaval on November 23, 2023.



Amanda Takacs '17 and Mathieu Dupuis welcomed Madison Takacs on March 10, 2024.



John Mitton '08 and Heather Moffatt '09 welcomed Benjamin John Mitton on August 27, 2023.

REMEMBERING BISHOP'S IN THE 1940s

By *Naomi Jervis-Read '42*

I was born in 1921, and I am told I am the oldest living Bishop's University graduate. I grew up in Granby, Quebec, and I knew I wanted to be a teacher after my first day of school.

I graduated in 1942 with a B.A. in Latin and French, followed by my High School Teaching Diploma in 1943. Our class sizes were small, which I liked; we knew everybody, and we knew where they came from.

Those were, of course, the years of World War II. We would bid farewell to some of our male classmates before the holidays, as those who had passed their Christmas exams left to serve our country. Sadly, we never saw some of them again.

At the time, female students were only permitted on campus for lectures and extracurricular activities. I lived off-campus in a boarding house in Lennoxville with a host family and four other girls. We stayed in the same house throughout our time at Bishop's and could store our winter clothes in our bedroom and come back to them the next year. We all walked to school as it was the only way to get there.

Everyone attended classes from 9 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. We could go to the library in the afternoon, but only until 5 p.m. I did a lot of my homework in the library, and I became very good friends with all the librarians, some of the only women employees on campus.

When I was in Education, we taught all year—from Thanksgiving straight through to the end of May. We taught in the morning at the little Ascot school and had classes in the afternoon from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.



Naomi's 1943 class photo

We had a test every day on top of homework, readings, and lesson preparation.

Back then, the campus consisted only of Divinity, McGreer, what we called the "new building" (present day Johnson), and the Principal's residence on the hill behind the current library. My favorite place on campus was the Chapel. I was permitted to practice the organ after signing in and out with the Rector. I also attended service every Sunday morning.

I loved skating, and I also played basketball. We won the Women's Basketball championship in 1942. We also had dances; Dr. Preston, my Latin teacher, taught me the rye waltz, and Father Elton Scott would always say, "Save a waltz for me." He was the priest who married my late husband Robert and me. We were both very fond of Father Scott.

After graduating in 1943, I started teaching high school Latin and French in Scotstown, Quebec. I also had my own classroom, grades 8 and 9, and I had to teach everything else as well:

Geography, History, English, etc. Over the course of my 23-year career, I also taught at Magog High School, King's Hall (Compton), and Macdonald High School. I volunteered for another 34 years at Sawyerville Elementary School up until the age of 99. I would still be volunteering today if they would let me.

I enjoyed my time at Bishop's. I always felt my teacher's diploma was well earned, but I did not want to stop at two degrees. I went on to obtain my M.A. in History at Bishop's in 1946 thanks to the generosity of **Dr. Boothroyd '38**—he was an angel—who lectured us in his house on Saturdays.

While Bishop's has changed significantly since my days as a student, I am pleased to hear it remains the same in many ways—a unique and exceptional place of learning where great memories are made.



Alumni Relations Coordinator **Sterling Mawhinney '88** and **Naomi Jervis-Read '42**

A purple dragon mascot with its arms raised, positioned behind the letter 'O' in the word 'HOME'.

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