Professor John Burge and his students had ... Something to sing about in the Big Apple.
I was so impressed with my FIRST Queen’s reunion that I hope to go again next year – to do the Re-convocation and also possibly the MiniU sessions.”

“I loved the warm applause of students as I exited Grant Hall in my robes...very kind of them.”

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Coming to grips with change

Apart from death and taxes one of the few constants in life nowadays is the feeling of change (now there’s a paradox if ever there was one!) that overtakes us each year as Labour Day draws near. At Queen’s the pace of life begins to quicken in anticipation of the familiar rituals that mark frosh week and the start of a new academic year. As we prepare to welcome the Class of 2013 to campus, there’s no debating that this year in the life of the University will be one of the most momentous in recent memory.

On September 1, Queen’s will welcome Dr. Daniel Woolf, ArtsSci’80, as its new Principal and Vice-Chancellor. As I learned when I had the pleasure of sitting down for coffee with him the other day, he’s a bright guy who will bring new insights and a fresh perspective to Richard-son Hall. (Please visit the Review web site at www.alumnireview.queensu.ca to read more about this.) For one thing, Woolf is the first Queen’s grad alumnus since John Deutsch, BCom’35, LL.D’74, to serve as Principal, (1968-74) and at age 51 he’s the youngest since the visionary George Monro Grant (1877-1902).

I very much hope that Daniel Woolf’s vigorous age and alumni sensibilities will serve him well in his new job, for he arrives at a pivotal time in the University’s history.

Queen’s has undergone some profound and fundamental changes in recent years as it works to adapt to and meet the demands of the new global economy. It has also struggled to weather the economic recession that hit at the very time the University was embarking on a renewal and expansion of campus facilities – a renewal and expansion that’s as vital as it is unprecedented in the school’s 168 years of history. Despite all of the uncertainties, change continues apace. As it must.

It’s no cliché to say that Daniel Woolf’s job will be to lead the way as Queen’s charts a bold new course. It’s not enough to continue nurturing our proud Tricolour traditions. The University must also continue to become ever more diverse and inclusive. And achieving the right balance will be critical as Queen’s strives to preserve and enhance the world-class undergrad educational experience for which it is renowned, while also building on its reputation as one of Canada’s premier research institutions.

Like it or not, the post-secondary educational marketplace is more competitive and demanding than it has ever been – for top students, and faculty, for research dollars, and for public attention. That’s a harsh reality that some individuals and groups in the Queen’s community seem to have trouble coming to grips with. But come to grips with it they must. We all must. As retiring Principal Tom Williams notes in his final Review column (p.14), we do indeed live “in challenging times.”

CONGRATULATIONS AGAIN TO Sara Beck, ArtsSci’93. I reported in the Spring issue of the Review that her article “A Question of Treason” (Issue #1-2008) has been honoured by the Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education as the Best Article (English) published in a Canadian university or alumni magazine in 2008. Sara’s article about the case of Prof. Israel Halperin, has been further honoured by the Washington, D.C.-based Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE), the international association of educational advancement professionals. Judges in the 2009 Circle of Excellence competition awarded Sara a Silver Medal in the “Best Articles of the Year – Higher Education” category. Sara, a regular contributor to the Review and co-host with me of our quarterly podcast, QPod, teaches communications at St. Lawrence College in Kingston.

PLEASE SEE THE UPCOMING IN THE FALL ISSUE of the Review will be for the winning entries in our 2009 Snap Judgments Photo Contest and the results of our latest readership survey. Both may have some surprises for you! – K.C.
**FOND MEMORIES OF THE OLD STUDENTS’ UNION**

Re: “A brief history of campus life and athletics,”

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

The Students’ Union was my favourite spot on campus, as it was there that we could mingle in the dining hall with students from other years and faculties.

I would leave the Douglas Library after trying to understand Gilbert Ryle’s “Concept of the Mind” or wading through pages and pages of statistical data and interpretation of some experiment in psychology (ugh!). The few minutes before the dinner line opened provided me with a chance to unwind in the room opposite the dining hall. Meanwhile, I saw engineering students go upstairs to use slide rules to solve homework questions. They would return to the upstairs after the meal to continue their slide rule efforts. Engineering students had to work hard to get their degrees.

I entered university with a liking for peas, carrots, and corn. I tell people I received a good education at Queen’s. The supper meal consisted of a potato, piece of meat or fish, and a vegetable. If I didn’t like the vegetable on the plate, this one-third gap in my meal left my hunger pangs unsatisfied. I learned to eat parsnips, cabbage, squash, broccoli, and whatever else was offered. This lesson from my days of eating meals at the old Students’ Union dining hall still carries on to this day.

I soon found out which students liked to talk at meal times, and so I’d sit with them. I don’t remember whether or not we discussed religion or politics, but we seemed to be able to disagree amicably.

A sometimes the cleanup staff wished we’d leave so they could clean off the table tops. I have many, many fond memories of the old Students’ Union.

**Bill van Wyck, arts’54**

Windsor, ON

“Given that Sutherland was at least one and maybe five years older than Grant ... the idea of Grant being a mentor to Sutherland seems somewhat doubtful. Nor does the chronology of their lives and careers suggest such a relationship.”

**Jim Campbell, Ed’76, Calgary, AB**

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**NO PROBLEMS AT QUEEN’S**

Re: “A timely honour for an early benefactor,”

I am a native of Nigeria, and was a graduate student in Queen’s 1973-74. I have to admit, I never knew of Robert Sutherland, as the very few black students on campus at that time never felt the need to know.

The atmosphere at Queen’s was conducive. Race was not an issue, and really we felt no discrimination. So we never discussed the race issue.

When I applied for admission into Queen’s, I received the Skelton-Clark Post-Doctoral Fellowship. Upon my arrival in Kingston, I was met at the train station, lodged with a white professor in his house for few days, moved to Elrond College, and three months later secured accommodation at the Graduate Students’ residence. No Hitches. No Rejection. Plus, I graduated on time.

Compare this to my not so good experience in another famous university in eastern Canada. I hope and pray that this tradition at Queen’s will be maintained.

**Bashir M. Borodo, ma’74**

Kano, Nigeria
WHO WAS “MENTOR” TO WHOM?

I am certain that if Robert Sutherland’s colour had been somewhat blander he would have received such recognition much sooner. I have great admiration for Principal Tom Williams and for Greg Frankson, Arts/Ed’98, who have battled to overcome this grievous neglect of the individual whose generosity was responsible for Queen’s becoming more than just the East Campus of the U of T.

I question one comment on the article. Principal Grant is described as “Sutherland’s mentor and friend.” What evidence is there that Sutherland saw Grant as a “mentor”?

Given that Sutherland was at least one and maybe five years older than Grant (who was born December 1835) the idea of Grant being mentor to Sutherland seems somewhat doubtful. Nor does the notion of Grant being mentor to Sutherland and maybe five years older than Grant was by that time, as the principal in 1877 from Halifax. Sutherland was by that time, as the Review article states, an established lawyer and had been elected Reeve of Berlin five years earlier in 1872, which was about the same time as Grant was leaving the Maritimes to go traipsing across the Prairies with Sir Sanford Fleming (Ocean to Ocean).

Since Grant arrived at Queen’s in 1877 and Sutherland died in 1878, I imagine their friendship was brief, though very significant to each. If anyone was a mentor I think it is more plausible that in fact it was Sutherland who was the mentor and inspiration to Grant.

JIM CAMPBELL ED’76
CALGARY, AB

For more information on Robert Sutherland, please check out the Spring 2009 edition of Q-Pod, the Review’s iTunes podcast. Starting at the 2:55 mark, you can hear an interview with Jeff Welsh, a doctoral student in the History Department, who is researching the life of Robert Sutherland. – Ed.

IN PRAISE OF CAROLYN SMART
Re: “Twenty years nurturing young writing talent.”
ISSUE #2-2009, P. 14

As a student in the English Department in the 1970s, I longed for a chance to formally study the art of creative writing, but there were few options available at Queen’s. My innovative and supportive thesis advisor, Prof. Elizabeth Greene, started an informal critique group that I remember attending several times, but that was the extent of creative writing “instruct” available. When I moved into postgraduate work in Old Norse, I was envious to learn that a contemporary of mine was able to pursue a creative writing degree at the U of Alberta – and to write a novel as her Master’s thesis (Aritha van Herk, the 1978 winner of the Seal First Novel Award for her thesis/novel, Judith). Much as I loved my own subject, the aspiring writer in me craved the same opportunity. So I was delighted to see that professor Carolyn Smart has spent 20 years leading a Creative Writing initiative at Queens. Well done! Wish I were back at school!

JEAN (BANGAY) MILLS, ARTSCI’78, MA’80
GUELPH ON

The writer is the author of four young adult novels (Wild Dog Summer, The Legacy, The Toymaker’s Son, and Abby and the Curling Chicks). For more information about her writing, please visit www.jeannmills.blogspot.com. – Ed.

ANOTHER GREEN SOLUTION?
Re: “Greening the University’s bottom line.”
ISSUE #2-2009, P. 5

I was pleased to see the excellent article by Prof. Joshua Pearce and Tom Carpenter and hope that they have some influence with decision makers. I was disappointed that they did not take the next step to promote the use of Energy Service Companies to carry out energy saving projects. These companies will undertake projects with up to five-year paybacks and invest their own capital and manage the project construction or undertaking. Their investment is recovered from the savings, but after it is paid back the university reaps the savings for the remaining life of the projects.

It was also interested to read in the same issue of the Review an obituary for Jim Rose, BSc’50 (p. 38). His company, Rose Technology Group, was one of the early Energy Saving Companies. Why doesn’t Queen’s pursue this approach to energy and water conservation?

CARMAN CHISAMORE SC’57
TORONTO, ON

Joshua Pearce and Tom Carpenter reply: “Carman is absolutely correct. We are tremendous fans of Energy Service Companies (ESCOs), which are often an ideal way to carry out energy conservation and renewable energy projects when an institution lacks either funding or engineering support internally. The fact that ESCOs exist at all is testament to the fact that there are enormous opportunities to profit from deploying energy conservation. One of the key advantages to ESCOs is that they have a clear financial incentive to implement as many ECMs as possible and many use simple payback cutoffs of more than 10 years, which can really improve an organization’s physical performance. The only disadvantage is that they collect a good chunk of the profit from the energy savings themselves. Thus, if an institution such as Queen’s has capital investments that are earning a lower return than 10 per cent it is better off self-funding the ECMs, earning back all of the available profit. Sometimes this is organizationally challenging. In this case, energy service companies provide an elegant solution.” – Ed.

A FOURTH GENERATION AT QUEEN’S
Re: “Hitting all the right notes in Hollywood.”
ISSUE #2-2009, P. 46

What a fabulous article on Craig “Lindsay” Fellows, Arts’86. He has made a name for himself and is so well deserving.

What the Review article neglected to
mention is that Lindsay’s niece (my goddaughter), Lauren Lindsay Oliver of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, is about to begin second-year studies at Queen’s. Lauren is a fourth generation Queen’s student, following in the footsteps of her maternal great-grandfather (George Lindsay, MD’23), her maternal grandparents (William Fellows, Med’s’55, and Carol [Lindsay] Harden, Arts’55), her mother (Susan [Fellows] Oliver, Arts’78), and her uncle (Lindsay Fellows).

Since Queen’s has a long-standing reputation of building itself around traditions, I think it is only fitting that Lauren, too, should have been mentioned.

**Kathryn Caldwell, Ed’87**

**North Gower, ON**

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**THE KAPUSKASING CONNECTION**

Re: “A Francophone at Queen’s,”

ISSUE #2-2009, P. 60

One day in the 1940s, in a hall of the Arts building, I met my French Professor, Dr. Tirol chatting with a former schoolmate, Jackie Côté. Tirol spoke to me in French. I answered in English, “You know, Jackie and I both come from Kapuskasing.” He replied, “Ah, ah, ah, John. That is just what I said.”

Jackie wasn’t the first Francophone to be sent to Queen’s by George Cushing, BA’33. Rosaire Dumoulin, BSc’46, was ahead by a year. In fact, Cushing pointed the whole male contingent of Kap’s 5th Form to Queen’s: Rosaire; Stanley Kraus; Ronald Carter, BSc’46; Ladislav Antonik, MD’46, and me.

**John Straiton, Arts’44**

**Oakville, ON**

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**TAKing HISTORY IN HAND**

Re: “A weekend of…”,

ISSUE #2-2009, P. 33

When I was a second-year medical student, I heard that Queen’s possessed a copy of the 1555 (Second) edition of Vesalius’ *De Humani Corporis Fabrica*. As I recall, this book was purchased using funds bequeathed to Queen’s by Sir William Osler. Hoping that I would be permitted to see it, I trotted off to the library, where I was surprised to soon be holding one of the most important medical texts of all time. And as I also recall, no one had looked at the book for more than 30 years according to its library card.

To this very day I remember the chill I had handling a book with such history. It was almost as if the voices of centuries of my medical forebears were speaking directly to me. Thanks for the remembrance.

**John Desmarais, Meds’74**

**Washington, DC**

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Andreas Vesalius (1514-64) was a Belgian anatomist and physician whose dissections of the human body and descriptions of his findings helped to correct misconceptions prevailing since ancient times. After obtaining his medical degree in 1537, Vesalius (pictured at right) became a lecturer on surgery. In 1543 he wrote *De Humani Corporis Fabrica*, the first edition of which consisted of seven volumes on the structure of the human body. These books were completely illustrated with fine engravings based on Vesalius’s own drawings. These were the most accurate and comprehensive anatomical texts to that time.
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A MiniU testimonial

Even 50 years after graduation, ELEANOR GUNN, ARTS’59, MA’64, discovers that a short bus-ride away from the MiniU campus is world-class field research at Lake Opinicon that proves just how creative learning can be.

Only one seat was empty on the little yellow school bus that picked us up outside Grant Hall and chugged 50 km up Highway 15 to the Chaffey’s Lake Road turn-off. Instead of attending several MiniU presentations in one-hour slots, 44 of us opted to spend the entire afternoon at the Queen’s University Biological Station (QUBS, pronounced Cubes). After crossing the Rideau Canal Waterway bridge, the bus followed tightly twisting trails another 2 km to Queen’s University Road, which leads to QUBS.

Established in the 1940s with a mandate for both teaching and research, the facility has added a third: conservation. Through purchases, grants, and quite amazing gifts, QUBS now covers almost 7,000 acres and encompasses several lakes of various sizes, thus preserving their pristine condition. There are also sections of shared shoreline in cottage country, along Lake Opinicon and Hart Lake.

At the high-tech Operations Centre (opened in 2000), Dr. Bruce Tufts, Biology Professor and Station Director, greeted us with a laptop presentation. As mapped in one of the images, the land area of the Biological Station now looks almost as large as that of Frontenac Provincial Park to the west.

By preserving from development an area of high biodiversity, QUBS protects study sites for many species of plants, invertebrates, fish, reptiles, mammals, and birds, so that scientific databases can be built up over decades. And such a diversity of databases!

Long-term comparisons are also useful to verify the impact of increasing global temperatures. For example, amphibians are in decline worldwide. The UN has a few Biological Reserves worldwide, and QUBS was designated in 2002 as part of the Frontenac Arch Biosphere Reserve. Many other life forms are in trouble, with an unknown future, and the world’s best scientists are trying to figure out how to help them survive.

A world first at the Lake Opinicon research station is the hydrophone array at Warner Lake, with underwater transmitters that monitor some 50 tagged fish and download the data directly into computers.

It’s also important to know who eats whom. Even with “No Fishing” sanctuaries, no one really knew how effective they are. Now QUBS is in a perfect position to evaluate and report data to the Ministry of Fisheries that will influence decision-making in terms of species conservation.

QUBS is now the largest inland field station in Canada, and hosts researchers from many universities. More than 800 articles detailing the results of each summer’s interdisciplinary studies have been published in major scientific journals. Doctoral theses become books, and DVDs are prepared for the general public.

Records suggest that a life-long interest in biology is planted in undergrads who have attended one of the two-week Ontario Field Course Programs, and get to spend up to 14 hours a day with the professors. Instead of pure classroom theory, the experience can be "My first time out in the woods!" "My first time holding a fish!" (Or a snake.)

The QUBS Operations Centre includes an all-year-round kitchen and dining room, conference rooms, administrative offices, computer rooms and a tech lab. It is part of a 32-building complex that can host up to 80 people at a time in a variety of accommodations. There are 12 lab areas, a fleet of boats, and a library with reference collections. Optical and electronic equipment includes an automated weather station. In the ’40s and ’50s, students lived in a few little “bunkies”.

Our trip home took us down the Old Perth Road to Division Street. As the bus twisted between the rockbound little lakes of the Canadian Shield, we saw a graphic demonstration of a fact some of us learned the day before, in a MiniU Geology presentation by Miller Museum Curator Prof. Mark Badham: 1.3 billion years ago, the Kingston area was underwater. Today, the change from the granite of the Frontenac Axis to limestone (formed from sediment) marks that shoreline. The Axis is an extension of the Canadian Shield into the sedimentary rocks that form the Great Lakes Basin. So you see, Prof. Badham, your MiniU lecture did register.

MiniU helped remind those who enjoyed its classrooms and excursions that we can continue to grow and learn in new and creative ways.

For further info, or to become a Friend of QUBS, please visit www.queensu.ca/biology/qubs.html, or e-mail Dr. Bruce Tufts, at tuftsb@queensu.ca.
Queen’s Mining receives historic gift

The Department of Mining Engineering has received an unprecedented $10-million donation from Toronto mining entrepreneur Robert M. Buchan, MSc’72, one of the most successful and influential figures in the industry today.

Buchan’s gift is the largest single donation to mining education in Canadian history and will help drive the development of the global mineral resource industry. In recognition of this exceptional gift, the University has announced that the department has been renamed the Buchan Department of Mining.

“I’m honoured to support the Department,” Buchan said. “It’s fostering the industry’s next generation of leaders. Providing our students with the best possible education ensures the Canadian mineral sector has a bright and sustainable future in the rapidly evolving global mineral resources industry.”

To meet an anticipated shortage of engineers, $2 million of the Buchan gift will be used to support new student-focused programs and curriculum development, course materials, and distance-learning infrastructure. An $8 million endowment will fund academic and staff positions.

Queen’s Department of Mining Engineering dates back to 1893 and is now one of the largest in North America.

In 1993, Buchan founded Kinross Gold, a small gold-mining company which he developed into the third largest primary gold producer in North America. After retiring as CEO in 2005, Buchan was one of the founders of Katanga Copper, the developer of one of the world’s largest copper deposits. He was also instrumental in the formation of Allied Nevada, one of North America’s largest gold deposits. Buchan retired from Katanga in 2007, and remains Executive Chairman of Allied Nevada. He and his wife, Tina, are officers and directors of the Buchan Family Foundation, and are involved in a great number of philanthropic causes and campaigns.

For more information, please visit www.queensu.ca/newscentre.

Happy 85th, Alfred!

Queen’s man extraordinaire Alfred Bader, Sc’45, Arts’46, MSc’47, LLD’86, celebrated his 85th birthday just the way he wanted to – surrounded by family, friends, staff, faculty and students on Canada Day – at the English castle he and his wife, Isabel Bader, LLD’07, donated to Queen’s in 1993. “It’s a special day of the celebration of Dr. Bader’s continuous and undying generosity, not only to Queen’s, but also to every one of us who live and play here,” said Dr. David Bevan, Executive Director of the Bader International Study Centre (BISC) at Herstmonceux Castle in East Sussex, U.K.

A plaque was unveiled commemorating the renaming of the International Study Centre to the Bader International Study Centre in honour of the Bader’s generosity to the University.

A choir of students, staff and faculty, accompanied by Musician-in-Residence Shelley Katz, performed the song “Some Enchanted Evening,” one of Alfred Bader’s favourites. Several members of the Bader family – including Alfred Bader’s two sons, David and Daniel, and their families, as well as five of the Baders’ seven grandchildren – were in attendance at the celebrations.

To mark the occasion, Bader donned a Queen’s football jersey (a gift from the Office of Advancement) with his name and the symbolic number 85 on the back.
**Sc’59 is still blazing new trails**

The Class of Sc’59 has always been an enthusiastic, closely knit group, and so it’s no surprise that they had the largest number of alumni registered to take part in Spring Reunion’09, May 22-24. A total of 52 class members returned to campus for their 50th reunion. “It’s been an exceptional class, right from the word go,” said Alan Hallworth of Brighton, Ontario, the treasurer and a member of the Sc’59 coordinating committee.

He noted that many of the members have remained in touch over the years and have worked on various joint initiatives. One that the Class members are particularly proud of is the successful fundraising effort they launched at their 30th reunion in 1989. “Bob Hurtle from Minden, Ontario, stood up at our Class banquet that year, and he issued a challenge to the members of Sc’59 to see how much money we could raise for a student bursary.”

What began as the Sc’59 Memorial Fund in honour of deceased classmates has evolved into a more ambitious initiative called the Sc’59 Entrance Bursary Fund. The award is aimed at would-be engineers who have the academic ability, but not the financial means, to enter the Faculty of Applied Science. Fundraising for the entrance bursary has been exceptionally successful, and this year the class presented a cheque for the symbolic amount of $590,000 to Dean of Applied Science Kimberly Woodhouse.

The total capitalization is actually in excess of $700,000 and it’s still growing. This has enabled the Class to give out four annual awards of $13,710 starting in 2007.

“One reason we’ve been so successful in our fundraising efforts is that several members of our Class have enjoyed very successful careers. They’re pleased to be able to give something back to Queen’s and to help the students who are in school today. Mike Chernoff from Vancouver has been very good in this way. He made a five-year pledge to match every dollar donated to the Class fund, up to $100,000,” says Hallworth.

He credits the work the Class has done on the bursary for helping to maintain a strong sense of solidarity. “We’ve often blazed trails – some good, some questionable, such as the grease pole,” says Class president David Scott, Sc’59, MSc’63, Victoria, BC. “Now we’ve blasted another, being among the first to show how wonderful a spring reunion can be.”

**Eight honorary degrees awarded at Spring Convocations**

Aboriginal justice advocate Patricia Monture, Law’88 (left) was one of eight distinguished individuals who received honorary degrees at the 2009 spring Convocation ceremonies. The other honorary degree recipients included: theologian Ruth Wright, MDiv’95; Kingston businessman-lawyer-author Britton C. Smith; former New Democratic Party leader and longtime Member of Parliament Ed Broadbent; literacy activist Kathryn Knowles, NSc’77; retired National Archivist (and Queen’s archivist) Ian Wilson, Arts’67, MA’74; musician-turned-computer researcher William Buxton, Mus’73; and educator, physician, and former Canadian astronaut Dafydd Rhys Williams. In total, about 3,500 graduating students received their degrees at 19 graduation ceremonies, which were held in Grant Hall.

**2009 Golden Gaels’ football schedule**

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**IN MEMORIAM**

- **FAULKNER, Peter**, Professor Emeritus (Microbiology and Immunology), died in Napanee, ON, on July 13, age 80.
- **HODGETTS, John E. (“TED”), LLD’73**, former professor of Political Studies (1950-61), died of leukemia on May 8 at Kingston, ON, age 91.
- **SURRIDGE, David**, professor Emeritus (Psychiatry) died July 24 in Kingston, ON, age 76.
- **VOSPER, George W., BSc’53**, retired instructor in the Faculty of Applied Science, died May 24 at Kingston, ON.
Queen’s secures funding for new medical school building

Preliminary work will begin shortly on a new home for Queen’s medical school. “The new building will become the home base for our students, our classrooms and labs, which have been scattered in cramped and aged facilities across campus,” said Dr. David Walker, Meds’71, Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences. “The facility will include state-of-the-art simulation labs, and expanded distance-teaching programs so that we can continue providing an excellent education to students across southeastern Ontario.” When government grants totaling $58 million announced in May were added to $11 million that has already been donated or pledged, the University had 90 per cent of the funding in place for the $77 million facility, to be built at the corner of Arch and Stuart Streets. Queen’s will raise the remaining $8 million, through a fundraising campaign. http://qnc.queensu.ca/qnc_index.php

A special place for mature female students

Thanks to visionaries in the 1920s and 1970s and continuing donations, mature women who are victims of “education interruptus” have access to a campus oasis of practical help, intellectual stimulation, counseling, and companionship along the way to a degree. Take Lisa Figge, Arts’08, for example. She’s just one of the students who have found a home away from home at the Ban Righ Centre. Read all about it in Lindy Mechefske’s report, “A home away from home,” exclusively on the Review’s homepage at www.queensreview@queensu.ca.

Funding secured for new performing arts centre

The University soon will break ground on a stunning, new performing arts centre (see “Another jewel in Queen’s crown,” Issue #2-2009, p. 7), thanks to infrastructure funding from the federal government, the province of Ontario, the City of Kingston, and a generous donation from benefactors Drs. Alfred and Isabel Bader. The Isabel Bader Centre for the Performing Arts will help lay the foundation for a new “Arts Campus” on the shore of Lake Ontario, a few blocks west of the main campus. The government funding was announced by John Baird, Arts’92, Canada’s Transport and Infrastructure Minister, and the Honourable George Smitherman, Deputy Premier of Ontario and Minister of Energy. Also in attendance were Kingston mayor Harvey Rosen, Law’75, members of the local arts community, and Queen’s faculty and students. http://qnc.queensu.ca

Queen’s Centre set to open

Last-minute work continues apace on the 45,000-square-metre multi-purpose Queen’s Centre. The complex, which is due to open this fall, will include three new gyms, a fitness and weight centre, a swimming pool, a food court, and student club space. The new School of Kinesiology and Health Studies building, which is attached to the east end of the Queen’s Centre, is scheduled to open in early 2010. For all the latest news on the Queen’s Centre, please visit www.queensu.ca/queenscentre.

Tom O’Neill to receive John Orr Award

Tom O’Neill, Com’67, LLD’05, is the 2009 recipient of the John Orr Award, which is given by the Toronto Branch of the QUAA. O’Neill, a dedicated Queen’s volunteer and supporter, served on the Board of Trustees from 1995 to 2008, (including an eight-year stint as Vice Chair) and has been a member of the Advisory Board of the School of Business. In 2006, he helped to establish the PricewaterhouseCoopers/Tom O’Neill Faculty Research Fellowship in Accounting at the School of Business. He is the retired Chairman of PricewaterhouseCoopers Consulting.

“We’re delighted to honour Tom as this year’s John Orr Award recipient,” says committee chair Jennifer Hirano, Com’07. “He has been a wonderful, dedicated volunteer and a long-time supporter of Queen’s.”

Tom O’Neill isn’t the only Queen’s grad in his family. His wife, Susan (Noel), is a member of Arts’67, while daughter Robin earned her BA in 1996. In addition, O’Neill’s father, Charles, was a member of Commerce’33. The John Orr Award honours significant contribution to the life and welfare of the University. Tom O’Neill will receive his award at a gala dinner in Toronto on November 14. www.queenstoalumni.com
Call for Nominations
Board of Trustees and University Council

Board of Trustees
The Board of Trustees is responsible for the overall operations of the University, including overseeing financial matters, property, the appointment of Vice- Principals and, in conjunction with the Senate, the appointment of the Principal.

GRADUATES may nominate TWO fellow graduates for election to the Board of Trustees for three-year terms (June 2010 – June 2013). A candidate must be nominated in writing by at least FIVE graduates.

Benefactors are defined as any person who has contributed $1,000 or more to Queen’s University in their lifetime. Each Benefactor may nominate TWO Trustee candidates who need not be Queen’s graduates, for a three-year term (June 2010 – June 2013). A candidate must be nominated in writing by at least FIVE benefactors.

Guidelines
The future of Queen’s will be greatly influenced by the quality of those you nominate. In keeping with Queen’s commitment to diversity within its governing bodies, please consider the following guidelines when nominating a candidate.

- The candidate’s potential to make a positive contribution because of ability and experience.
- Gender equity.

University Council
The University Council was established by Ontario Statute in 1874. Its main responsibility is to oversee the selection of the Chancellor. It generally meets once a year to discuss any matters relating to the well-being and prosperity of the University. The University Council is a Composite of the Board of Trustees, Senate and an equal number of elected graduates. Each Graduate may nominate NINETEEN fellow graduates for election to the Council for a six-year term (May 2010 – May 2016). A candidate must be nominated in writing by at least THREE graduates.

Guidelines
- Representation by visible minorities, aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, age group, occupational group, the local community and the francophone community.
- A broad geographical distribution to maintain Queen’s role as a national and international institution.
- A strong, demonstrated interest in the wellbeing of universities and/or Queen’s.

Nomination Form and more details available at www.queensu.ca/secretariat/election/
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9:45 pm Queen’s Bands Performance
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Join us in celebrating Tom O'Neill
COM ’67, LLD ’05
longtime champion of Queen’s and recipient of the 2009 John Orr Award.
Pelvic pain in teenage boys

After sailing 40,000 kms around the world on his boat, OceanGybe, and conducting studies in 16 countries, Civil Engineering grad student Bryson Robertson says the verdict is in on his international quest to catalogue ocean garbage – and it’s not a pretty picture.

“The database we’re accumulating, along with our own first-hand accounts of beaches, presents irrefutable evidence of the polluted state of our oceans,” says the PhD candidate, who is documenting marine pollution and studying the effects of topography on the breaking characteristics of ocean swells.

On a tiny atoll 1,600 kms west of Bali and down current of Indonesia, the OceanGybe team discovered some of the most polluted beaches of their trip. “Standing on what should be one of the most pristine beaches on earth, watching garbage and plastic refuse wash up in the shore break, will forever be etched in our minds,” Robertson says.

He recently teamed up with researchers at the Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology to analyze types and quantities of organic pollutants. The OceanGybe crew will send collections of PET plastic pellets to be analyzed, as they continue their own international pollution probe.

Palliative care expert Dr. Daren Heyland

End-of-life discussions

Doctors treating people with advanced terminal diseases should openly discuss their patients’ approaching death and help them prepare with their families, says a Queen’s expert in end-of-life care. Professor of Medicine Daren Heyland heads a study showing that patients who have this conversation are more satisfied with their care than those who don’t.

“Although such discussions are considered a key part of good end-of-life care, this doesn’t happen very often, thus denying patients and their families an opportunity to bring closure to life and put their affairs in order,” says Heyland. “Honest, timely, and complete communication is a key determinant of overall satisfaction with care.”

Pelvic pain in teenage boys

A painful pelvic affliction normally associated with adult men occurs just as frequently in adolescent boys, Queen’s researchers have shown. Called chronic prostatitis or chronic pelvic pain syndrome (CP/CPPS), the debilitating disease is accompanied by persistent pelvic and genital pain. “Boys are suffering in a medical silence, where physicians and even specialists remain unaware of the occurrence and developmental impact of these disease symptoms,” says lead researcher Dean Tripp, professor of Psychology and Urology.

The study also documents significant, negative quality of life outcomes in teenage boys who suffer from CP/CPPS. Co-author and Urology Professor Curtis Nickel, M.D.’78, notes, “The disease is prevalent, debilitating and costly to society, in both direct and indirect ways.”

Since treatment is difficult, and most patients can’t be cured if they have CP/CPPS for 10 years or longer, the researchers believe that early diagnosis is the key to management.

Compact fluorescent lightbulbs (CFLs) now have the potential to be even more efficient, as well as dimmable, thanks to a team led by Electrical and Computer Engineering Professor Praveen Jain.

Long touted as an energy-saving alternative for home lighting, CFLs consume one-third of the power and last 1,000 times longer than traditional incandescent bulbs. However, they don’t work with dimmer switches, and only part of the energy they consume is used to power the bulb.

“Until now, the complicated circuitry needed to power these bulbs most efficiently has been too large and too costly for consumer-grade compact fluorescents,” says Jain, Canada Research Chair in Power Electronics. “In its current form, the household CFL takes away the very benefit to the power grid that it was supposed to provide.”

The proverbial lightbulb flashed when PhD student John Lam, Arsc/o3, MSc/06, working with Jain, created a compact, simplified circuitry and controller design that overcomes the power problem while also meeting consumers’ needs for a dimmable, inexpensive bulb.

For more research news from Queen’s

www.queensu.ca/newscentre
RESPECTING YOUR PRIVACY

In accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Ontario), Queen's University gathers personal information about alumni. The following questions are sometimes asked:

**Who has access to my information?**
Only individuals working or volunteering with Queen's University who have signed a confidentiality agreement and who have specific need to do so have access to personal information about alumni.

**What kinds of contact can I expect?**
The University and the Queen's University Alumni Association may contact you by mail, phone or e-mail on matters we think would be of interest to you. For example, the *Queen’s Alumni Review* is mailed to all alumni, free of charge, for life. You may be contacted on behalf of affinity partners to promote programs or services that benefit alumni. You might also be contacted for fundraising initiatives or to update your personal and business information. Should a former classmate wish to contact you, our office will relay the message – however, no information is released without your permission.

**Do we sell our lists?**
Never. Although Queen's has contracts with affinity partners, we release no information directly to them.

**What are affinity partners and why are they contacting me?**
Queen's has contracts with certain service partners to provide alumni with added benefits on services such as insurance, investments and credit cards. By participating in affinity programs, you also allow the University to earn additional revenue in support of programs and services for alumni and students.

**No contact please…**
If you would prefer that we do not share your information or that we send you only certain kinds of correspondence, just let us know. It is our responsibility to ensure your information is accurate and is handled according to your wishes.

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Moving ahead in challenging times

As his term as Principal draws to a close, Tom Williams looks back on the most demanding period of his distinguished 30-year academic career and ahead to the challenges Queen's now faces.

BY PRINCIPAL TOM WILLIAMS

On September 1, when we welcome Daniel Woolf as our 20th Principal, I will retire from Queen’s...for the second time.

I'll do so with mixed emotions. I am deeply gratified to have had the opportunity to work and serve this institution for so long, and after more than 30 years I will miss being on campus every day. At the same time, I look forward to spending more time with my family. To say the last 15 months have been eventful would be something of an understatement.

Writing in the Review last summer, I set out five priorities for my time as Principal, and I would like to report on the progress that has been made in the following areas:

Stabilizing the Queen’s community

I believe relationships within the Queen’s community are now healthier than they were in May 2008. In retrospect, when I mentioned that I hoped to “stabilize” the situation, I erred. In an environment that encourages ideas and different points of view, some instability is a necessary by-product. The key is having the community’s constituent parts functioning with mutual respect.

Communication has been open and the dialogue on-going, and this is essential at any university.

That is not to say all is well. As financial pressures grow, difficult discussions are taking place, difficult decisions are being made all across campus, and relationships are being tested. It can be easy to consider personal and small group interests before those of the broader University. Our challenge is to maintain our cohesiveness, one of this University’s greatest strengths for more than a century now. We ignore this at our peril, and I am concerned about the possibility of drifting into a position of not paying sufficient attention to this vital common value.

Addressing capital budget matters

Our practices in this area have improved, and a new process for both approving and monitoring all large-scale capital projects is set to go to the Board of Trustees for its approval in October. Our approach to the Queen’s Centre is an example of how we hope to proceed in future. When that complex opens this fall, for the first time in decades, students, faculty, and staff will have access to
state-of-the-art campus facilities for athletics, recreation, and leisure. However, given the troubled financial environment and the extreme stress on our operating budget, additional parts of this complex will be treated as modules (a planned field house, student affairs building or wing, rejuvenated JDUC, and arena) that can be built whenever money becomes available.

At the same time, capital planning, relationship-building, and successful government-relations initiatives recently have yielded $88 million in infrastructure funding. Our medical school is getting a new home, thanks to $58 million from Ottawa and Queen’s Park and to $11 million in donations thus far from generous alumni. We now have 90 per cent of the required funds in hand. (Please see page 10 for more details.)

In addition, the Isabel Bader Centre for the Performing Arts – the subject of my column in the spring issue of the Review – has received up to $30 million from the federal and provincial governments. With an additional $6 million from the City of Kingston and an $18-million gift from Isabel and Alfred Bader, we are thrilled to have 85 per cent of the funding in place.

Both of these facilities will enhance our teaching, learning, and research environments and help us to continue attracting the best students and faculty.

**Grappling with operating budget pressures**

Like other Ontario universities, Queen’s is working to find ways to deal with the impact of the country’s current economic downtown on operating budgets. Our expenditures are outstripping revenues. Salaries and benefits, which account for 70 per cent of the University’s annual operating budget, are our biggest expenses.

As we struggle to balance our operating budget provincial grants have been shrinking as a proportion of our operating revenue. Government funding now represents just 48 per cent of our operating revenue, down from 75 per cent in 1992-93. Meanwhile, compensation costs, unfunded pension liabilities and carrying charges on capital debt are increasing, the market meltdown has seriously hurt our endowment income, and fundraising revenue is down.

In May, the administration presented a three-year financial plan to the Board. The Trustees approved the 2009-10 operating budget, which for the first time in living memory, carries a deficit ($8.4 million), but they asked us to reconsider our forecasts and deficit projections for years two and three. We hope to avoid layoffs, but unless we can slow the growth of the compensation budget, job losses appear to be inevitable. (For more information: http://queensu.ca/principal/financialupdate.html.)

Doing “business as usual” is no longer an option. We must make major changes in what we do and how we do it. We must renew, and where necessary, rethink the Queen's learning experience – all the while maintaining quality, maximizing efficiency, and retaining the important historical aspects of our unique brand – at the heart of which is a superior undergraduate educational experience in a residential environment.

**Stakeholder relationships**

In the past year we have managed to revitalize the University’s relationships with many key local partners. We now liaise regularly, productively, and respectfully on various issues with City Hall, local police, the media, and area residents. There is no question that the most controversial town-gown relations issue during my tenure was the decision to cancel all Homecoming for two years and replace it with a spring reunion. While alumni supported this decision by a two-to-one margin, I recognize and respect that some people still disagree. It remains to be seen whether cancellation of the fall Homecoming will help end the illegal Aberdeen street party, which in some people’s minds mistakenly had become synonymous with Homecoming. However, students and members of the community were at risk, as was the University’s reputation, and so we needed to change our strategy. Years of trying to collectively manage this problem hadn’t worked. This year, city police will respond as the law requires to any illegal street gatherings, and so we will encourage our students to make responsible and safe adult choices about where they go and how they behave on weekends this fall.

**Reaching out**

We continue to position Queen’s as both a national university and a regional asset. Our medical school now places students in hospitals from Peterborough in the west to Cornwall in the east. The School of Business is doing ground-breaking work on rural
poverty with a group of economic developers across the region. The new Isabel Bader Centre for the Performing Arts will be the anchor of a regional cultural hub, and Innovation Park is quickly emerging as a regional centre for high-tech innovation, bringing together Queen’s-based researchers and people from area industries to work on cutting-edge projects. Positioning ourselves as a regional resource, while at the same time maintaining our national presence, opens up huge opportunities for capital and research funding that will enhance our academic mission.

While this past year has been a strenuous one, it has also been the most rewarding of my career. The challenges have been relentless, but the University has been able to cope thanks to the commitment, creativity, and passion of its people. When I reached out for advice or assistance, as every leader must do, the response was overwhelming. I thank all members of the Queen’s family for the tremendous support I have received.

Principal-designate Daniel Woolf and I have worked very closely for several months now, and I am confident that the transition between the 19th and 20th Principals of Queen’s will be virtually seamless. With Dr. Woolf’s commitment and vision, Queen’s University, our University, is in strong and capable hands.

“Doing what I can to help…”

In these trying times tradition should be our guide and teacher, not our jailer.

On my upcoming cross-country “listening tour,”

I want to hear alumni ideas about possible future directions for Queen’s.

BY PRINCIPAL DESIGNATE DANIEL WOOLF, ARTSCI’80

As you read these words, I will have been in Kingston for a few weeks. I have been busy getting reacquainted with the city, settling into our family’s new home, and fulfilling research obligations in the mornings, while shadowing my predecessor, Tom Williams in the afternoons. He and I have spoken frequently, and I’m personally grateful for the outstanding work he has done over the past 15 months, for his generosity with his time during my visits, and for his broad perspective, built on 30 years of devoted service to our University.

Since my appointment was announced in January I have been gaining familiarity with Queen’s administration, with the campus (which has changed a lot since my own student days) and especially its people, dropping in on departments, chatting with staff, students and faculty, and visiting research centres and other facilities. I have also attended some wonderful alumni events in Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, and here in Kingston. Doing so has reminded me what tremendous loyalty many alumni feel to our University. I have also heard lots of good ideas to guide us forward in these difficult times. I hope to hear even more of them during a series of upcoming cross-country visits on what I am calling my “listening tour.”

In being given the opportunity to serve Queen’s as its 20th Principal, I am very conscious of the high standard my predecessors have set and of the responsibility I have taken on – one I share with all my fellow alumni – to steward this great institution in such a way that it can continue to serve future generations.

Rereading Queen’s history has reminded me of two things: what a proud past this University has, and also how it has had its ups and downs. We are in some financial “rough air” right now (along with much of the Canadian university sector), and while I don’t diminish the seriousness of the situation, I take comfort in the knowledge that Queen’s resilience and sense of community have served it well in tough times and in good ones.

The past holds lessons for us – I am, after all, an historian! – and we are justifiably proud. However, as I mentioned in my address to University Council earlier this year, tradition should be our guide and teacher, not our jailer. It’s well known that, whereas other universities have presidents, Queen’s has a principal. To play on words, let’s similarly adhere to principles rather than blindly following precedents.

I’ve been asked why I took this job. It was an easy decision. Apart from the fact Queen’s is one of Canada’s oldest, most respected, and distinguished universities and is a national treasure, it is my alma mater. I feel the same affection for Queen’s as you do. Though I’ve worked in several of Canada’s finest research-intensive universities, this place is special to me. I’m also currently a Queen’s parent, so I have a vested interest in doing whatever I can to help.

Over the next several years, I am going to ask you to do the same.

So what are the major issues confronting us? Let’s set aside finances for the moment, because at the end of the day money problems are short-term and cyclical. It’s imperative that we not lose sight of the future by becoming fixated on the moment – though we obviously must confront its realities. It’s also vital that
we consider what really defines Queen’s, as opposed to those things that, while long-practiced or convenient, are (as a medieval philosopher might have said), superficial or “accidental,” rather than “essential.”

In short, to chart the road ahead, we need to reaffirm, and then refocus, on the core strengths and characteristics that have defined Queen’s for the past 168 years. The University has changed enormously and it will continue to grow and evolve. When I mention “core values” I don’t for an instant think that we can operate as we did back in George Grant’s day, when Queen’s was a college of a few hundred students, or even as we did in the late 1970s, when I was a student at a university of 10,000.

The heart of Queen’s has always been its undergrad experience, which includes most obviously what goes on in the classroom, but also what goes on outside it. I learned a huge amount from my professors, but also from peers, graduate students, and those Kingstonians I met as a student, when I was away from home in Winnipeg for the first time. A lot of that learning had more to do with life than with my degree, and it often was just as useful.

The word “unique” is overused, but I do think this University is one-of-a-kind in Canada. Queen’s is much bigger than it used to be, but it is still mid-sized. It is situated in a relatively small and historic city, beautifully set by Lake Ontario, and close to major centres – Toronto, Ottawa, and Montreal. And Queen’s has developed a formidable reputation as a research powerhouse. We should not mechanically emulate other schools – though looking to them for best practices is often helpful. Queen’s is unique, and it has a distinctive “brand.” I worry our uniqueness has been obscured in recent years, and that unhelpful tensions have emerged, for instance, between undergrad education and research or graduate training. I suspect the problem is not “this versus that,” but how best to align the different aspects of what we do toward a smaller list of priorities and to develop a clear mission for the future.

We also appear to have a problem of sectionalism. Addressing Convocation in 2002, on the occasion of her LLD, former University Secretary Margaret Hooye (whose signature is on my 1980 parchment) observed a certain decline of the idea of Queen’s as a community – a not uncommon feature of universities, but one that’s especially troubling here. This was an idea that Emeritus Professor John Meisel, LLD’96, alluded to in a 2007 article he wrote for the retirees’ newsletter and the Review, and that others

have underscored. It is crucial that we get past a culture of putting sectional, group or unit interests first. We must think of the University as a whole. This imperative applies to the Board and Administration, as much as it does to faculty members, staff, students and alumni.

Yet a university is complex and organic – multi-cellular, as my biologist spouse would say – so we need to hear from and respect all the parts, in order to understand and shape the whole. I will be asking the campus community to participate in a unit-by-unit, ground-level-up academic planning exercise, the aim of which will be to set a course for the next seven years, leading up to the University’s 175th anniversary in 2016.

Once we have an approved academic plan, we will develop subsidiary plans for research, enrolment, capital, facilities, finance, and fundraising. However, our academic plan must come first, because at any university, the academic mission – to educate Canada’s and the world’s future leaders – should drive everything we do and should govern decisions on all other matters.

In conclusion, let me say how proud I am of Queen’s University, as an alumnus and a parent, and how delighted I am both to be joining the faculty as professor and the administration as Principal. We have a great past, but potentially an even greater future. I look forward to hearing from you in the months and years ahead, as we embark together on the next stage in the Queen’s journey.

It’s imperative that we not lose sight of the future by becoming fixated on the moment – though we obviously must confront its realities.

Are we seeing an erosion of the renowned Tricolour spirit and sense of community – so much in evidence with the Queen’s Bands, at football games, at the annual John Orr dinner, reunions, and other Queen’s events? Daniel Woolf and some other observers wonder.

MEET PRINCIPAL AND VICE-CHANCELLOR-DESIGNATE DANIEL WOOLF

Sure, Daniel Woolf is an alumnus – he’s an Arts’80 graduate – and he’s a noted historian, teacher, author, and editor with a varied background in university administration. However, there’s a whole other side to the man, as Review editor Ken Cuthbertson found out when he sat down over coffee with our new Principal and Vice-Chancellor-designate. What Ken learned about Daniel Woolf might surprise you. Check out Ken’s report by visiting the Review web site at www.alumnireview.queensu.ca
Enter Justice Cromwell – philosopher and dreamer

His Supreme Court appointment – the first for a Queen’s Law grad – was praised by many politicians, members of the judiciary, teaching colleagues, and former students.

Some observers already see Tom Cromwell, Mus’73, Law’76, as a Chief Justice in the making.

By Hugh Winsor, Arts’73

Sometimes Canada’s prime ministers use Supreme Court appointments to send messages – a tilt toward more judicial activism, for instance, or modernization on social issues, or as a gesture towards a tougher approach to law-and-order questions.

In the case of Tom Cromwell, appointed just before Christmas 2008 as the 80th justice of Canada’s ultimate legal body and the first Queen’s graduate of Queen’s Law School to make it to these hallowed halls, the message from the Prime Minister’s Office seems to be that nice guys can finish first. Or that competence, hard work and a commitment to public service can sometimes carry the day.

Within the legal fraternity, an appointment to the Supreme Court of Canada (SCC) is certainly considered “finishing first,” and Justice’s Cromwell’s elevation comes after an extensive career that includes private practice in Kingston, part-time teaching in Queen’s Law, a full professorship at Dalhousie University in Halifax, and from there a judgship in 1997 on the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal.

His formal swearing-in on January 5 in Ottawa was actually his third round with the Court. His first was in the 1970s, long before he donned his ermine-trimmed scarlet robes this year, as a student assistant to his Queen’s professor, Ron Price (now emeritus).

Price had established the innovative Correctional Law and Legal Assistance project at the school to provide legal help to Kingston-area inmates. Speaking of that program to some Queen’s Law grads this spring, Cromwell said, “I’ve often wondered what my first client in Collins Bay Penitentiary thought when he learned that this 138-pound church organist was to be his champion.”

When Price pushed several prisoners’ cases all the way to the Supreme Court, he took his promising student to Ottawa as his assistant. He also arranged a summer job for young Tom teaching convicts. As Cromwell noted at his formal Court – welcoming ceremony some three decades later, he was probably the first appointee there who had “done time.”

His second round at the SCC came in the early 1990’s: a three-year leave of absence from Dalhousie to serve as chief legal officer, including chief of staff, to then-Chief Justice Antonio Lamer. Chief Justice Beverley McLachlin recalls that this stint was in the era of The Godfather. “I remember thinking, in the best judicial sense, that (Justice Cromwell) was the ultimate consigliore – loyal, direct, tactful, wise and extremely effective in everything he did.” And so, when he showed up for work in January, he was no stranger (though it’s rumoured he had trouble finding the “justices-only” reserved parking area).

There was some controversy about Cromwell’s appointment, but it had nothing to do with the candidate, whose qualifications for the job have been widely praised by ministers, judges, academics and former students. For some years now, through both Liberal and Conservative administrations, attempts have been made to infuse more parliamentary involvement into the Supreme Court appointments instead of leaving them solely to the PM and his cabinet.

Various formulas have been tried – for instance, borrowing elements from the American system wherein Congress formally confirms presidential nominees to the Supreme Court – with limited degrees of success. The system in place when Cromwell was proposed last fall involved an all-party subcommittee, formal Justice Committee hearings, questioning of the candidate, recommendations, etc., but with the Prime Minister still retaining the untrammeled power to appoint.

Last fall’s general election meant Parliament was not sitting; hence the hearing process was delayed. Given the backlog of the Court’s workload at a time when it was short a judge, and

The Supreme Court of Canada is the nation’s ultimate court of appeal.
given PM Stephen Harper’s impatience with parliamentary committee scrutiny in general, the appointment went ahead in the traditional unilateral way. So Cromwell had spent weeks preparing for the hearing that never happened, and many of his admirers were disappointed. The hearing would have demonstrated what an excellent choice he was, they say.

And there was another controversial note: a strong push from Newfoundland-Labrador Justice Minister Jerome Kennedy that it was his province’s turn for an appointment. In Cromwell's case, merit triumphed over geography. Being the first Queen’s Law grad on the SCC is not the only example of him setting precedents.

Back in the 1970s, a Queen’s degree in music and organ virtuosity were not usual prerequisites for law school, but Queen’s decided to take a chance on him, and the Canadian judiciary has been the beneficiary.

Tom Cromwell, who grew up in Kingston, had decided he was “over-ambitioned and under-talented” for a career in music and would try his hand at law. With self-deprecating humour, he says that decision was well received in the music community. History shows his decision was also well received in the legal community, beginning in Macdonald Hall, where he impressed both classmates and professors with his early command of the issues, his diligence, commitment and overall scholarship.

One of his law school classmates was Annemarie Bonkalo, Arts’71, Law’76, now Chief Justice of the Ontario Court of Justice. “Tom was very modest,” she recalls, “not one of those who waved his hands around, but whenever the prof asked him a question, he always had the answer.”

Professor Price was quick to recognize something that’s become widely recognized: Cromwell’s ability to write clearly about complex legal issues. One of his student articles in Queen’s Law Journal about the correctional law program “was, and still is,” says Price, “a superb and valuable piece of work.”

After Queen’s, Tom won a place at Exeter College, Oxford, and completed a Bachelor of Civil Law there in 1977 – again with first-class honours. While articling in Toronto, he and Tim Wilkin, another of his law school friends, decided to move back to Kingston and establish a partnership with another Queen’s grad, the late Terry O’Hara, LLB’75. Cromwell quickly established a reputation as a tough and skilled practitioner with a social conscience.

Tim Wilkin has taken issue with suggestions his former partner is a conservative likely to come down on the side of the state in his judgments. Wilkin rejects that left-wing or right-wing terminology.

"We must be dreamers or idealists, insisting on the preservation of the great principles of our society, even – no, especially – when convenience would point us towards doing otherwise."

“I’d say Tom would come down on the side of common sense,” he says.

Queen’s beckoned when then-Dean Bernie Adell needed a civil procedure teacher with strong scholarly interests. That part-time teaching stint led to 15 academic years at Dalhousie before Nova Scotia’s Court of Appeal called him away. Dalhousie’s Dean of Law, Phillip Saunders, says Prof. Cromwell “was one of the two or three best teachers I have ever seen, very well prepared and able to explain complex issues very clearly.”

George Thomson, Arts’62, Law’65, LLD’07, who taught with Cromwell at Queen’s and eventually headed up the National Judicial Institute (which runs courses for judges), says, “He has been one of our remarkable teachers, especially on evidence and ethics.”

Today, his formal curriculum vitae and publication credits fill many pages. So does the list of his judicial and law reform affiliations, national and Nova Scotian, culminating, of course, in his Supreme Court appointment. It’s an asset that he is fully bilingual.

It is too early to evaluate his impact on the Supreme Court and, unlike the Chief Justice and some other justices there who frequently give speeches and comments, Cromwell has declined all interview requests and public comment other than a brief statement upon his appointment. However, at a 1993 Queen’s symposium honouring former Law Dean W.R. Lederman, Cromwell talked about the necessity for public confidence in the legal system. That speech provides a glimpse of the breadth of his philosophy and range of interests. He chose as his text a line of poetry from George Jonas: A dreamer’s ship wrecks on a fact; a prudent man’s on a dream.

“We must be dreamers or idealists, insisting on the preservation of the great principles of our society, even – no, especially – when convenience would point us towards doing otherwise. We must also be practical; our institutions have to work in current conditions and respond to the needs of today’s people, not to those Barons assembled at Runnymede. The key is balance.”

Thomas A. Cromwell’s SCC appointment is a good-news story, and the next chapter may be even better. He is about a decade younger than Chief Justice McLachlin. Assuming his tradition of wise, clearly written judgments continues on the Supreme Court, and given his competence in both official languages, his reputation as a scholar and academic, and his experience as an administrator, we may just have the next Chief Justice in the making.

Hugh Winsor, Arts’73, is a former Globe and Mail columnist.
D uring the last week of classes, an event of such magnitude took place that the student singers and musicians involved will never forget it. As composer of the music they performed, neither will I.

I accompanied Queen’s Choral Ensemble on a visit to Avery Fisher Hall at Lincoln Center in New York City to present the American premiere of my composition Mass for Prisoners of Conscience. We were joined by some of the University of Toronto’s (U of T) MacMillan Singers and Master Chorale, directed by Dr. Doreen Rao, the U of T’s Elmer Iseler Chair in Conducting, and accompanied by an instrumental ensemble of students from both universities.

The New York concert was the third performance of Mass for Prisoners of Conscience by these performers over the span of eight days in three cities – a major undertaking in planning and execution.

Although I have composed a number of concertos, symphonies, and large choral works, Mass for Prisoners of Conscience is my magnum opus. A 13-movement, 70-minute work, it combines first-hand testimonials of political prisoners and their family members with choral movements drawn from the Latin Mass. These testimonials were provided by Amnesty International (AI), to which I dedicated the work, and they are sung in English by three soloists who personify a father, a mother and child.

Doreen Rao had conducted the premiere of this work back in 1990 at the U of T. It was also she who suggested it would be timely to re-mount the work and to present its American premiere at the Lincoln Center in 2009, using the combined resources of Queen’s and U of T. When Doreen gave the score to review, they agreed to sponsor it there.

Artistically, there were never any doubts the performance would be successful. Musicians love working with Doreen, and the work’s emotional energy has proven its capacity to deeply engage both performers and audiences. I knew that Queen’s Choral Ensemble director Dr. Karen Frederickson would meticulously prepare her choir; as early as last September her enthusiasm for the music and the tour had attracted several new choir members.

Spending focused time together with your classmates, working toward a common goal and seeing plans realized can provide memories for a lifetime. In this case, the prospect of performing the same work three times was an opportunity to polish it to professional levels – not often possible in a university music program with only one concert per term for each ensemble.

The musicians assembled for the first time at Toronto’s MacMillan Theatre in late March for an afternoon rehearsal, followed by an evening performance. The power of combined choirs totaling more than 200 voices electrified the concert. (Sadly, not all of them could travel to New York.) A week later, many of the Toronto singers came to Kingston to join our Choral Ensemble for further rehearsals and a presentation in Grant Hall.

The following Friday, some 80 performers made the six-hour bus drive to NYC. Once there they spent Saturday afternoon in a rehearsal hall and Sunday morning, before the concert, in the Lincoln Center.

For many of the students, this was their first trip to NYC. While each student paid a portion of the New York package, it was generous alumni and other interested individuals and organizations who made the entire tour possible – including grants from the George Taylor Richardson Memorial Fund and the Davies Charitable Foundation.

It would be wonderful to do something like this on a regular basis. The enrichment value of an extracurricular activity such as this trip can be significant in making a student’s time at university truly memorable, even life-changing.

The above is an abridged version of a longer article, which can be read online at www.alumnireview.queensu.ca
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  Sue and Todd Bright
- **Branch – Event of the Year Award**
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- Queen’s Student Alumni Association Volunteer of Distinction Award
  Alissa Sokolski

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Kingston dinner party
For the second year in a row, Lee Wetherall, Ed’76, MBA’82, and Chris Galbraith, Sc’83, PhD’89, opened their historic lime stone home to 10 Queen’s students, offering them a gourmet, home-cooked meal.

The dinner was a coveted prize in the annual Arts and Science Undergraduate Society’s (ASUS) annual Society Affairs Silent Auction. Lee and Chris offered their home as the venue for the prize, donated by the Kingston Branch of the QUAA.

“Members of the Kingston Branch prepared and served dinner in the finest style,” says Lee, “including a wine steward, cocktail servers, and dining room attendants.”

Ryley Beddoe, Sc’05, Ed’06, MSc’09, who won the dinner, shared the experience with her intramural basketball team.

“The students were a great group of women, who, coincidentally, had just won their intramural basketball title,” recalls Lee, “and came to our house to celebrate their victory.”

Proceeds from the auction went to programs that offer volunteer opportunities for students, allowing them to extend their university experience into the Kingston community. Between $20,000 and $40,000 has been raised in each of the last 10 years, supporting initiatives such as the Afterschool Buddies program at the Boys and Girls Club of Kingston, the Kids 4 Kids project supporting the Pediatrics ward at Kingston General Hospital, and the Lost Paws program in partnership with the Kingston Humane Society. Lee was very happy to support this worthwhile cause. “Hosting dinner at our home for the 10 students was such fun and allowed my husband and me – and the other alumni who helped – to support ASUS in a more personal way.”

Led by President Sue Bates, Artsci’91, Kingston Branch volunteers host more than a dozen events each year, providing fun opportunities to engage with the University and each other. With educational

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A LIST OF UPCOMING EVENTS IN CANADA, THE U.S., AND AROUND THE WORLD

CANADA

BROCKVILLE
NOVEMBER 21 • Christmas-themed buffet dinner cooking class.
9 am – 2 pm, St. John’s United Church, Brockville. $25pp. Includes a six-course meal. Register with Cheryl Johnston, Artsci’01, at 613-342-8688 or email cheryljo@ripnet.com by Nov 6.

CALGARY
SEPTEMBER 22 • Stampede Football – watch your email.
OCTOBER 22 • Johnson Award Reception, honouring Neil McCrank, Sc’66, Law’69, at the Calgary Petroleum Club. Details at adv.queensu.ca/events/calgaryaward.

NOVEMBER • Annual Wine and Cheese.

EDMONTON
OCTOBER 22 • Edmonton Capital Region Entrance Scholarship Dinner with new Principal Daniel Woolf, Artsci’80.

HALIFAX
SEPTEMBER 24 • Pub Night at Maxwell’s Plum, 7 pm.

FALL • Halifax Theatre Night – production is still to be determined.
Details at events.queensu.ca.

DECEMBER 2 • Cooking lesson at the Superstore.

KINGSTON
SEPTEMBER 21 • Seniors Luncheon at the Donald Gordon Conference Centre, 11:30 am.
OCTOBER • Trivia Night – four rounds of pub trivia, including a “Name that Tune” round, led by trivia master Jessica Whiting, Artsci’06.
NOVEMBER 24 • Seniors Luncheon, 11:30 am.

MONTREAL
NOVEMBER 21 • John B. Stirling Montreal Medal award dinner honouring Dr. Jane Stewart, Arts’56, DSc’92. Details at adv.queensu.ca/events/montrealaward.

OTTAWA
AUGUST 20 • Monthly Pub Night, 8 pm, Summerhays Grill, 1971 Baseline Rd near Woodroffe Ave. Contact Wyler Pang, Sc’99, at wylerpang@hotmail.com, or just show up and look for the Queen’s flag.
SEPTEMBER 17 • Monthly Pub Night, 8 pm, Hooley’s Pub, 292 Elgin St.
SEPTEMBER 19 • Disappointed not to be getting your annual Homecoming football fix this year? Do we have the solution for you! Skip the two-hour drive to Kingston and cheer on the Gaels when they take on the Ottawa Gee-Gees (what’s a Gee-Gee anyway?). Game time is 1 pm at Frank Clair Stadium. Contact Jen Pelley, Artsci’99, at jenpelley@gmail.com.
OCTOBER 15 • Monthly Pub Night, 8 pm, James Street Pub, 390 Bank St.
NOVEMBER 20 • Agnes Benidickson Award dinner honouring Chancellor David Dodge, Arts’69, LLD’02, at The Royal Ottawa Golf Club. Contact Sophie Sommerer, Artsci’98, at ssommerer@tricolour.queensu.ca for more details or visit adv.queensu.ca/events/ottawaaward.

TORONTO
AUGUST 31 • Gaels Football vs. U of T. Show your support of the Gaels on the road at this match up in Toronto.
SEPTEMBER 6 • Blue Jays Baseball vs. New York Yankees, 1:07 pm. Tickets are $42 (regular price is $52). Contact Paul Rabeau,
luncheons for senior alumni, pub nights for recent grads, symphony nights for audiophiles, and a skating party for families, the Branch aims to host a range of events that appeal to everyone.

Back at the dinner party, the future alumni in the room had a great time. The students had to do a little work for their dinners. Says Lee, “Some were asked to lead the table in a camp song, some were given the task of leading the table in a toast, some were asked to recite poetry, and all were asked to join us all in an Oil Thigh at the end of the evening.”

New Branch for South Florida Alumni

The new South Florida Branch, led by Shant Epremian, MBA’08, will provide help for both residents and snowbirds to re-connect with Queen’s and each other. Whether you live in Jupiter, Naples, Key West, or anywhere in between, please contact Shant at 1-888-435-2669 or email South_Florida_Branch@tricolour.queensu.ca to get added to the mailing list, and hear about their inaugural event.

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The following Branches are seeking volunteers to join their executives or to organize events.

- Halifax
- Niagara
- Montreal
- New York City

Thinking of getting involved? Email branches@queensu.ca for details.

USA

ARIZONA

SEPTEMBER • Annual Fall Luncheon. Please join us for the 11th Annual Fall Lunch in late September.

SEPTEMBER 3 • Monthly Pub Night at Sonora Brewhouse, 322 E. Camelback Rd., 6-8 pm.

OCTOBER 1 • Monthly Pub Night at Sonora Brewhouse, 6-8 pm.

NOVEMBER 5 • Monthly Pub Night at Sonora Brewhouse, 6-8 pm.

NOVEMBER • 5th Annual Can-Am Thanksgiving celebration.

Contact Branch President Mary Reed, Arts’84, at arizona@tricolour.queensu.ca or visit alumni.queensu.ca/branches/arizona.

BOSTON

NOVEMBER 21 • Volunteer Day – Help make Queen’s known for its contribution to your community. Come to the Prison Book Program in Quincy, and help with filling prisoners’ requests from the collection. Enjoy a tour of the historic United First Parish Church and see the resting place of its most famous parishioners, Presidents John and John Quincy Adams. 10 am – 1 pm.

RSVP to Peter Stokes, Sc’94, at 617-354-2462 or queensboston@yahoo.com.

NEW YORK CITY

SEPTEMBER 24 • Annual Canadian Association of New York (CANY) All-Canadian alumni reception.

For further details of these and other events, please visit the Alumni Events Calendar at EVENTS.QUEENSU.CA.

For information and contact details for all Branches, please visit ALUMNI.QUEENSU.CA/BRANCHES or e-mail BRANCHES@QUEENSU.CA.
It’s all about engagement

The past two years have been among the most exciting and challenging in the 83-year history of the QUAA. The pace of change shows no sign of slowing down as we get ready to welcome a new Association president.

BY SARAH RENAUD, ARTSCI’96, QUAA PRESIDENT 2007-2009

When I stepped into the leadership of the Queen’s University Alumni Association (QUAA) in October 2007, I expected an interesting and fulfilling two years reconnecting with alumni, broadening our base of participants and launching MiniU. Check. Check. And Check. What I didn’t anticipate was how developments both at Queen’s and outside of Kingston and our campus would have such an impact on the QUAA.

Traditionally, the role of the Association president is to connect our alumni and the Administration – a role I have thoroughly enjoyed. Former Principal Karen Hitchcock and current Principal Tom Williams always had open doors and phone lines, taking the pulse of our alumni community. As leaders, they made the tough decisions for the University. As listeners they ensured that alumni voices were heard. Tom Williams is to be commended for his outstanding leadership and support to the QUAA in the past year. The Principal’s presence at QUAA events both on campus and across the country always has a positive impact, a tradition that incoming Principal Woolf will no doubt continue when he gets down to work this fall.

Not only has Queen’s undergone some administrative changes over the past two years, but global economic and technological developments have affected the University and the broader Queen’s community. The impact of the financial meltdown on the size of the University’s endowment, fundraising efforts, and budget has been significant, and social media have revolutionized the way alumni communicate. Consider the impact of Facebook and Twitter on the size of the Aberdeen Street party, the cancellation of Homecoming in 2009 and 2010, and the launch of our Spring Reunion.

These developments have prompted Queen’s and the QUAA to rethink our priorities and have affected how we operate – some would argue for better, some might argue for worse. I would say that you can have tradition and transition and grow to be stronger in the end. During times of crises and change comes great opportunity. Never before has our alumni base been so engaged.

This has necessitated a reassessment of our usual communication tools as we have moved to foster networks and to ensure dialogues in both the virtual and real world that enable alumni to reconnect with Queen’s friends and with the Queen’s community.

This leads me to share with you one of the key initiatives that we have been working on in recent months: the creation of a new strategic plan for our network of 42+ Branches. As our direct link to alumni, our Branches provide valuable programs and services both nationally and internationally.

As a volunteer body, the QUAA Board of Directors, working in partnership with Alumni Relations staff, developed its 2009-2010 strategic priorities. Our initiatives centre on priorities to develop programs and services to engage current and future alumni and that help raise the much-needed annual-giving funds. You can find further details in our Strategic Priorities report: www.queensu.ca/alumni.

Come October, Heather Black, Artsci’80, our new QUAA President, will be sharing her tremendous energy, enthusiasm, and presentation skills to further promote the QUAA as a vehicle for alumni engagement. I wish her every success in her new role during this critical period at Queen’s.

It’s has been my pleasure to work with a tremendous volunteer QUAA Board, as well as Associate V-P (Alumni Relations) Judith Brown, Artsci’76, MA’79, and her dedicated team.

Thank you again for the incredible opportunity to serve as President of the Alumni Association. It has been a phenomenal ride, and I have enjoyed every aspect of the role.

Finally, I encourage you to be involved with the changes that you want to see at Queen’s. If you have ideas, feedback, or want to engage with the association, please reach out to us via our dedicated alumni site – www.queensu.ca/alumni.
2009 QUAA Branch Awards
Join fellow alumni at a Branch near you to honour extraordinary achievements in communities across Canada and celebrate the Queen’s spirit!

Calgary – Thursday, October 22
The Johnson Award honouring
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Vancouver – Thursday, November 5
The Vancouver Branch is proud to introduce the Kathleen Beaumont Hill Award recognizing the contributions of Kathleen (Beaumont) Hill, Arts’50
Inaugural award to be presented to
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Toronto – Saturday, November 14
The John Orr Award honouring
Tom O’Neill, Com’67, LLD’05

Ottawa – Friday, November 20
The Agnes Benidickson Award honouring
Chancellor David Dodge, Arts’69, LLD’02

Montreal – Saturday, November 21
The John B. Stirling Montreal Medal honouring
Dr. Jane Stewart, Arts’56, DSc’92

Kingston – Presented May 6
The Padre Laverty Award honouring
Professor Stewart Fyfe, Arts’49
The Jim Bennett Achievement Award honouring
Professor Brian Osborne

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We all were young again

All in all, the campus in springtime made for a wonderful 60th-anniversary reunion,

says GEORGE TOLLER, ARTS’49

“This tree (Autumn Blazer Maple) replaces that donated and planted at our graduation, May 21, 1949. It is in memory of our Principal, Dr. Robert C. Wallace, LLD’30, who guided and inspired us. – Arts’49, *Oil Thigh* and *Cha Gheill*!”

These words, along with the May 23, 2009, date of our 60th anniversary, are on the plaque attached to a tree planted just west of the main doors of the John Deutsch University Centre – or the Students’ Memorial Union, as we knew it in our day. At graduation, Arts’49 set up a scholarship in memory of Principal Wallace. Sixty years later, it is funded at $310,000 and still growing. I hope more graduating classes are inspired to make similar gifts. At our 50th reunion, we dedicated a bench to Dr. Wallace, in front of his old home, Summerhill.

At Spring Reunion ’09, we few, the Old Guard of only 21 from our original enrollment of 350 (many of them WWII vets), were now reunited for likely the last time.

In the 1940s, people called Queen’s “the poor man’s university.” We came mostly from towns in the Ottawa Valley and others in eastern and northern Ontario. We arrived by train at the old Outer Station and were met by sophomores who took us under their wings for Orientation.

No men’s residences existed then, but the many rooming houses, with their dear landladies, provided our home away from home. Many of our professors were truly unique. Dr. C.F. Gummer wrote on the blackboard with both hands at the same time. Dr. F.A. Knox greeted us by saying, “Each of you, look to the right and then to the left. One of you three will fail at Christmas.”

Returning after Christmas, we found the Students’ Union had burned. Principal Wallace quickly had the basement of Grant Hall transformed into our new dining emporium. (Perhaps it was the cooking heat that caused that infamous bump on the upper floor.) McLaughlin Hall, just completed, offered more scenic views, with large windows overlooking Lake Ontario. Our other favourite eating spots were the Queen’s Tea Room, Morrison’s, and the Roy York Chinese café.

Grant Hall quickly became our social hub, the site of Glee Club and band practices, art shows, Mock Parliaments, and year dances. “Doc” Angus presented a play each term, and we recalled our own Elspeth Wallace, BA’49, the Principal’s daughter (later Dr. Baugh, Dean of Women), starring in *Much Ado About Nothing*.

None of us has ever forgotten our indefatigable Registrar, Jean I. Royce, BA’29, LLD’68, (“Rean I. Joyce”) for her help in solving our problems, academic and otherwise.

On autumn afternoons we paraded to the old Richardson Stadium football games with our own majorette Marge MacGregor, BA’50, leading the bands.

Classmates revived these memories, despite Queen’s switching the 2009 and 2010 reunions from autumn to spring. We certainly missed Richardson Stadium, the cheerleaders, the pipers, and most of all the Golden Gaels. Memories of those glorious afternoons together came flooding back to each of us. However, Spring Reunion had its own special appeal: a closer intimacy, a quieter time for sharing chats and memories, a new, serene campus atmosphere, and accommodation in student residences. There were many buildings, displays and lectures to visit as part of the MiniU, along with city bus tours and the evening’s Haunted Walk. The “reconvocation” ceremony in Grant Hall was a great idea. We were all fitted with gowns and faculty hoods, stood to repledge allegiance to our alma mater, and received an official certificate. It all evoked great memories of our original graduation.

Many enjoyed staying on campus in well-furnished new residences such as Leggett Hall and eating in nearby Leonard Hall. We were delighted to meet Chancellor David Dodge, Arts’65, LLD’02, and Principal-elect Daniel Woolf, Arts’80, at our Class dinner on the Friday evening. The Tricolour Guard Dinner with Principal Tom Williams was another highlight.

My one regret: There was no opportunity to remember classmates who have died. I recommend adding a quiet chapel service by Queen’s Chaplain, “Lest we forget.”

Spring Reunion ’09 was a wonderful event, and we all were young again. Our longtime Class President, John Chance, and retired Prof. Stewart Fyfe deserve our grateful thanks for their guidance over all these years.

Endnotes:

*Figures in parentheses are Queen’s Class Years.*
“There were so many great things about the weekend, but the best two were the quality of the lectures and seeing the campus in spring.”

“It was fun to reconnect with Queen’s in an academic way – to be reminded of the experience I had while I was there originally.”

“The whole event has a magically positive feel – the participants are so attentive and so appreciative of the presentations. Their energy and enthusiasm is infectious!”

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Heavy-duty Athletic supporters

With budgets being squeezed, alumni booster clubs are now making a crucial difference for a growing number of the University’s varsity sports teams.

BY ANDREW BUCHOLTZ, ARTSCI’09

Many of the University’s varsity sports have dedicated booster clubs, while others that don’t are working to start their own. According to Director of Athletics and Recreation Leslie Dal Cin, these groups are heavy-duty supporters who raise a significant amount of revenue for the various teams and their programs. “In a good year, total contributions for all teams would range between $200,000 and $300,000,” she says.

The Athletics Department understandably is keen to increase the role of such clubs. Dal Cin points out that they reach out to alumni and keep them informed about how the various teams are doing. “Long after they’ve graduated many alumni continue to be interested in what happens with a Queen’s team they played on during their student days,” Dal Cin says.

Harold Parsons, former women’s varsity hockey coach, says the team’s booster club has been crucial to the program’s success recently, raising between $5,000 and $10,000 each season. “In my years behind the bench, our booster club has been very helpful providing a lot of things that are above and beyond what our core program provides.”

Women’s basketball head coach Dave Wilson has had a similar experience. He says the team’s booster club provides invaluable help by running the queensbasketball.net website, hosting receptions for players, families, and alumni, and by providing referrals and/or contact information for potential recruits. “I hope our Hoop Club will become even more important as we move forward,” he says.

One of the University’s largest booster clubs is the Queen’s Football Club (QFC). Its members carry out many activities throughout the year, including “friendraisers,” special events such as the “Legacy Weekend” and frequent newsletter updates. The keystone of their fundraising efforts is an annual golf tournament. This year’s event was held at Glen Abbey in Oakville on July 29, just days after the Canadian Open was played on the same course.

QFC tournament co-chair Dan Pawliw, Com’92, says the annual tournament has been a huge success for the football program because of many years of hard work by dedicated alumni and energies. Says Pawliw, “We’ve raised more than $500,000 in total over the last three years: about $125,000 the first year (under the chairmanship of Paul Hand, Arts’69, MBA’73), $200,000 in the second (when Joe Pal, Com’74, was chair), and about $187,000 in the third (when Alex Melvin, Arts’72, MBA’74, served as chair). Final figures for this year’s event are not yet available.

“We’re encouraged that the alumni are still strongly supporting football in these tough economic times, but we need to expand the base of football alumni who are involved. We can’t rely on the University to fund the football program. With many other priorities out there, there just aren’t enough dollars to go around,” he says.

Pawliw adds that the QFC boosters now fund about 40 per cent of the cost of operating the Queen’s football program. “In order to compete against top-tier teams such as Western, Saskatchewan, and Laval, we need to continue to work on our fundraising and to do as much as we can to help.”

Such dedication on the part of alumni boosters really does make a difference to the University’s varsity teams. “Over the last 12 months we’ve seen a significant increase in communication between our teams and booster clubs, and an increase in booster club activities,” says Leslie Dal Cin. “This alumni support is vital to the success of our programs. It’s truly inspiring to see how many alumni carry the pride and passion that comes with wearing the Tricolour long after their playing days at Queen’s have ended.”
Celebrating 60 years

Stewart Fyfe addresses his Arts’49 classmates at the tree planting and dedication at Spring Reunion on May 23, outside the John Deutsch University Centre. See p. 26 for George Toller’s report on the Arts’49 reunion. Inset: The members of Arts’49 first planted a tree on May 21, 1949, after Spring Convocation. Stewart Fyfe, Principal Robert Wallace, Hon. Ray Lawson (Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, LL’49), and his Aide-de-Camp look on as Chancellor Charles Dunning and Eric Jorgensen (1948-49 AMS President) plant the sapling in front of the new Students’ Memorial Union.

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MacPherson

In April, the name of George B. MacPherson, Com’53, was added to the Vancouver Island University (VIU) Sports Wall of Fame. George was responsible for naming the VIU athletic teams, the Mariners. He also negotiated the entry for the school’s hockey team into the Vancouver Island Junior “B” League.

Family News

Cluff

Donald Cluff, Sc’57, and his family run The

Deaths

Adams

Robert McDonald Adams, MA’53, of Sidney, BC, passed away on April 25 in his 81st year.
Deeply missed by his partner Susan Lui, his children Christopher and Laura, sister Joan, brothers Kenneth and Paul, and numerous nieces and nephews. He had a distinguished career in the Public Service of Canada. From 1969 to 1973, he served as the Assistant Deputy Minister of Manpower and Immigration. From 1973 to 1977, he was the Consul General of Canada in San Francisco. This was followed by seven years at McGill U as an Associate Professor of Industrial Relations and Director of the Industrial Relations Centre.

BAUGH
Charles W. Baugh, MD'53, MSc'56, died in his sleep on May 20 in Barrie, ON. Son of the late Innes and Fred H.C. Baugh, BA'20, MD'22. Survived by his six children – Sue Waywell, Com'T57, Cathy Fair, Ed'S9, Sheila McEwen, Com'S9, Hume, Ron and Peter and their spouses – and by nine grandchildren, as well as his dear friend Christina Johnston. Predeceased by his former wife of 26 years, Elspeth (Wallace) Baugh, BA'49, a former Dean of Women at Queen's. Charles interned at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, MD, and practised internal medicine in Saskatoon and in Ontario (Brockville, Orillia and Inverness) before spending several years in Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. A former marathon runner, Charles famously ran a full marathon in 1975 only four months after having open heart surgery. He wrote a column during the 1970s for The Orillia Packet and Times called “Walking, Jogging and All That Jazz.” He also initiated and led a cardiac rehabilitation exercise group in Orillia after his own heart surgery. Charles was a man of myriad interests, from stamps to golf, chess, bridge, gardening, wine and beer making, opera, jazz, politics, and travel. He was not one for half measures. He even flew planes as a teenager, although he never did his pilot's test. To the end, he was still trying to master the French language, although in this one respect, Charles can be said to have met his match. He was a fiercely determined and uncompromising individual; some would describe him as stubborn, but without this quality he would not have lived half the life he did. He will be missed.

BENETEAU
Basil A. “Ben” Beneteeau, BSc'48, died in Kingston on April 7, age 83. Son of the late Dr. Amedee Beneteeau, BA'19, and Winnifred Meloche. Beloved husband of Margaret Anne (Myers) for 60 years. Loving father of Paul (Suzanne), Daniel (Solange), Richard (Helene) and Robert (Donna). Cherished by his 12 grandchildren: Louis-Charles, Frederic, Bernard (Sun Hec), Pierre, MPU'88, Luc, Benoit, David, Francois, the late Christian, Joel, Simon and Alec, and by his great-granddaughter Sou Lynn. Survived by his sister Pauline Lacroix, Arts'51 (Leopold). Predeceased by his sisters Yolande, BA'43, and Genevieve Ashman (Stan), and by his brothers Bernard, BSc'44 (Suzanne), and Paul, BSc'53.

BILICH (WYLIE)
Joyce Elizabeth (Wyllie) Billich, BA'50, MA'74, died in Kingston on April 30 in her 80th year. Beloved wife of the late Josef Billich. Loving sister of Kenneth Wyllie, MD'55 (Mary), Anna Freeman, Arts'55 (David), and the late John Wyllie, MD'52 (Margaret). Dear aunt to Connie, Crystal, Andrew, Ian, Paul and Gavin.

BLAIR
Sidney Robert “Bob” Blair, BSc'52, LL'D80, CC, died on April 18 in Vancouver at the age of 79. Bob entered Queen's at the age of 16 to study Chemical Engineering. While at Queen's, he met Lois Wedderburn. They were married in 1953, and raised five children during their 25-year marriage. From 1951 to 1958, Bob worked with Canadian Bechtel across North America in the construction of major pipelines. He joined Alberta and Southern Gas Co. Ltd. as an engineer, becoming President, General Manager and Director in 1968. In 1969, he joined the Alberta Gas Trunk Line Company Ltd., known since 1980 as Nova Corporation of Alberta, and served as President and CEO from 1970 to 1991. Under his leadership, Nova grew to become a diversified gas transportation and marketing, petrochemical, manufacturing and resource development corporation with worldwide operations. Bob also served as Chairman of Husky Oil Ltd., one of the Nova group companies. He was named Chairman Emeritus of Nova in 1991. He was made a Companion of the Order of Canada in 1985. He served as a director of the Bank of Montreal, a trustee of Queen’s, and a member of the Economic Council of Canada. Bob is survived by his five children – Megan (Stan), and by his brothers Bernard, BSc'44 (Suzanne), and Paul, BSc'53.

BRAY
Richard “Dick” Bray, BSc'37, MSc'69, died peacefully on June 10 in Kingston in his 96th year. Sadly missed by his wife Phyllis (Nunn), Arts'37, MA'89, daughter Lucinda, Arts'69, son Carl, daughter-in-law Sarah Gibson-Bray, Arts'79, and loving grandchildren Emma and James. Dick served as a Captain with the Royal Canadian Engineers in Italy and northern Europe during WWII. After the war, he worked for Noranda Mines in the Pymour Porcupine mine and was part of the start-up team for the Geico mine in Manitouwadge. After retiring to Kingston, Dick became active in Rotary, and received the Club’s highest honour, a Paul Harris Fellowship. Having suffered major hearing loss during the war, Dick was a strong advocate for the hard of hearing, helped to establish the Kingston Hard of Hearing Club, and championed the use of hearing assistance devices at meetings and church services.

CAREY (BAXTER)
Beverly J. (Baxter) Carey, MD'51, passed away on Nov. 2, 2008, in London, ON. Survived by her husband Lewis, MDA'50, MSc'57, children Richard, Mark, John, Susan, and David, and six grandchildren. Predeceased by her sister Marilyn Vallance, BA'53 (George, Sc'53, MSc'60). Beverly was one of only two women admitted into Medicine in 1946. She moved to Minnesota with her husband in 1953, and completed her residency in Psychiatry there. She was a consultant at the student health service at the U of Minnesota, continuing the same service at UWO upon her family's return to Canada in 1971.

COULPLAND
Ken Coupland, BSc'48½, died in Toronto on May 7. Predeceased by his beloved wife, Pauline, and by their elder son, Ken. Survived by son Peter, daughter Carolyn, and grandchildren Holly and Rowan. Ken will be remembered by his friends as a passionate...
fisherman and by his family as a loving father and grandfather. Ken joined the Royal Canadian Signals in 1936 and served overseas during WWII for three years as Captain. After graduation from Mechanical Engineering with the Class of 48½, Ken joined the RCEME as Major. He retired in 1960, after serving as Head of Missile Engineering in Ottawa. In civilian life, Ken held a number of engineering positions, including senior consultant for the Ontario government. He also started his own firm, specializing in management and industrial consulting. In retirement, he pursued his interest in fishing and the outdoors in Labrador, Algonquin Park, and at his cottage in Haliburton.

CROBER
Orlando Carl Crober, BSc’46, died on Jan. 12 in London, ON, in his 86th year. Predeceased by his wife Mary in 1992. Cherished father, friend and mentor to Paul (Susan), David (Gabrielle Nowicki), Jenny (Stephen Best), Judy (Peter Osborne), and Brian. Beloved “Grandpa” to nine grandchildren. From graduation till retirement, Carl worked at Dow Chemical in Sarnia. He was a kind, caring man with a wonderful, dry sense of humour. He had a gift for words, a beautiful tenor voice, and an intense love of music, but was very humble about his gifts.

DRESSER
Carl Kenneth Dresser, MD, CM’56, DTM&M, CCFP, FCFP, died in Toronto on May 20 in his 76th year, after a long battle with cancer. He leaves behind his wife Sylvia, children Mark (Joyce), Jean, Arts’76 (Larry Boone, Arts’79), Carol Jean, Pamela (David Sigler), and Andrew; and grandchildren Jen (Andrew), Kate, Ben, Larissa, Isaac, Heather Lynn (Jonathan), Reba, Daniel and James. In Don’s civil engineering career with the Government of Canada, he worked on the Canso Causeway, the St. Lawrence Seaway, was Chief of Canals and Director of Parks Canada, Ontario region. After retirement he spent some years working in real estate, travel and Kanata Hydro. He volunteered with the Heart and Stroke Foundation, the Kanata-Beaverbrook Community Association, and was an active member of Gyro. Don was well known for his sense of humour, his love of family, his ability to fix absolutely anything, and his joy in friendship. Don was proud to be a Queen’s Engineer. He was a keen Queen’s supporter and attended every one of his Sc’47 reunions, missing only the 60th, due to ill health.

HOWE
Peter Graham Howe, BSc’57, died peacefully Feb. 25 at home in Brighton, ON, with his wife Laurie at his side. As well as Laurie, he is survived by his son Tim (Lynda), his daughter Mary Kapitza (Gary); stepchildren Marc (Helene) and Daniel Magee (Pam); grandchildren Bryton, Raine and Michael; his brother Mike; his sister Bunny Bernstein (David); and extended family. After completing his formal education, Pete joined the RCAF. During his 30-year career with the Air Force, he logged thousands of hours as a fighter pilot, led his squadrons to many victories in international competitions, and amply demonstrated what was perhaps his foremost attribute throughout his life — leadership. His last posting was Base Commander, North Bay. He retired from the Air Force in 1982 with the rank of Colonel. For the next 20 years, Pete was busy with several ventures, including a stint with Canadian Airlines, where he was responsible for safety.

JACKSON
William Kenneth Jackson, BSc’56, died Nov. 12, 2008, at his home in Oshawa, ON. He had worked in the heavy construction field for more than 50 years, primarily with Alnor Earthmoving and most recently with Valleau Construction, working right up to the day of his last surgery in March 2008. He never tired. Bill is survived by Margaret, his wife of 52 years, and four daughters: Susan, Ginny, Rehab’85, Laurie, and Nancy. As well, his Queen’s family includes his granddaughter,
Meagan Heard, Kin’12, and his son-in-law, Bob Neville, Artsci’78, Meds’84.

Gordon L. McGaughey, BA/BPE’54, died on May 22 in Belleville, ON, four months after the death of his wife of 55 years, Phyllis (Walmsey). Loving father of Lynn Charles, Cynthia Fort, Viki Ryan, and Kim Wilkens, and dear brother of Marie Ramsay. Gord was a Kingston boy, a talented athlete, and a proud Golden Gael (both hockey and football). After a brief military career, he taught high school in Kemptville, Prescott, and Belleville, ON. As well as being a sailor and skier, Gord became a keen fly fisherman and painter. In the 1960s and ’70s, he was the owner of Oak Hills Ski Club in the Belleville area.

Helen May McNab, BCom’33, passed away in Ottawa on Feb. 26 in her 100th year. She will be greatly missed by her niece Elizabeth McNaughton, Arts’60 (Donald), her nephew, Queen’s Professor Donald Carter, Arts’64, Law’66 (Catherine, Arts’65), and her grand-nephews Scott McNaughton, Robb McNaughton, Artsci’91 (Harumi), Ian Carter, Law’02 (Christiania Yao, Artsci’93), Colin Carter (Heather), and great-grandnieces Alisa McNaughton and Madeleine Carter, and great-grandnephew Nathan Carter.

Richard Morden Mitchell, BSc’35, died in Toronto on May 15 in his 95th year. Loving husband of Helen. Father of Peter, Graham, and Alison Dow (Dave). Proud grandfather of 14 and great-grandfather of 10. Also fondly remembered by his stepbrother, Bud Jackson. For more than 50 years, Sel was the owner of Jackson Press Limited, long-time printer of the Queen’s Review and many other campus publications before the advent of computerized typesetting. His warm smile and good nature were well known in downtown Kingston and on campus.

William John Pardy, BSc’44, died March 13 in Kingston. Loving husband of Ruth (Sterling), Arts’44. Also survived by his three sons:

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- As he sees it, the airline industry’s problems became critical when the price of oil spiked, and then rapidly dropped. Many of the airlines, having seen the price of oil soar to more than $140 U.S. a barrel, bought up enough stock for 2009 and 2010, only to see the price drop to $100 a barrel, he says. However, it then dropped to less than $40.

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- Don says the problems of the airline and auto industries are similar. Each is struggling to protect the enormous institution it has created at the expense of customers and employees. And each is facing pension-fund problems. As the economy tumbles, the investments that support the funds are underperforming, leaving the funds short.

- Universities face similar problems. And there, too, Don has experience.

- A former member of the Board of Trustees (1987-98), he sits on the Board of Trustees at Southern Methodist University and on the executive board of the SMU Cox School of Business.

- “It’s very tough for universities today, and the more dependent a university is on its endowment, the harder it hit it. I don’t think there’s a university in the country that isn’t struggling with this. In a business, you look at your least profitable parts of the operation when you have to cut, and they’re logical decisions. But how does a university make a value judgement between a psychology department and the politics department? And in some departments, particularly the ones that generate research dollars, if you make cuts you will further reduce your income, so it’s a very difficult thing to do.”

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- By Sara Beck, Artsci’96

- Don Carty, Arts’68, LL.D’01, doesn’t scare easily. At a time when the airline industry is flying through some heavy weather, the former president of American Airlines isn’t shying away from involvement in the sector. The resident of Dallas, Texas, recently became the chairman of upscale Toronto-based carrier Porter Airlines, and of Virgin America, the U.S. wing of Richard Branson’s operations.

- But why take this kind of risk? That question brings a smile to Don’s lips. “It’s a lot of fun,” he says. “Airlines are a really fun industry to manage.”

- He should know. He’s been in the business for more than 30 years, starting out in Air Canada, and later moving on to American and Hawaiian Airlines. He has also served as director, vice-chairman, and CFO of Dell Inc, and as a director of Sears, Roebuck; CHC Helicopter Corporation; and Barrick Gold, to name just a few of his corporate ties. In 2002, he was named an Officer of the Order of Canada in recognition of his role as an advocate of the “open skies” policy between the U.S. and Canada.

- Don’s career hasn’t been without controversy. He was asked to step down from American Airlines in 2003 after he clashed with the airline’s unions over bonuses being paid to company executives. Despite that, his work at American remains one of his proudest career accomplishments. He notes the carrier was the only one in America that did not file for bankruptcy during his tenure.

- Bankruptcy is something many major airlines now face. Don has said before that there is a tightly linked relationship with the economy. “Virtually every time the economy gets better, the airlines skate by, and then when it gets worse they get in real trouble. They’ve never really had a prosperous time in the past 30 years,” he says.

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Central Corp., Sault Ste Marie, ON. Early in

his work in computer graphics, solving the “hidden line” problem. He will join his

community of ancestors buried at the Clarke-

Eggleton cemetery in Stirling, ON.

Professor Clarke Wilfred George Pidgeon,

BSc’48½, MSc’61, passed away in Stittsville,

ON, on May 9 at the age of 86, with his family by his side. Husband of Grace (Woods), father

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VOsPER
George Wilkinson Vosper, BSc’53, died in his sleep in Kingston on May 24. Beloved husband for 53 years of Velma (Johnston), NSc’50; father of Martha Fenwick, ArtsSci’80 (Ron), Gretta, MDiv’90 (Scott), Rebecca (Janice), and Tom (Nicole); and grandfather of Hazel Herrington, ArtsSci’05 (Matthew, ArtsSci’05), Jackson Barr, Lilyan Barr, Isaac Vosper-Kooiman, and Tess, Moira, Scarlet and Eden Vosper. George’s devotion to the community was exhibited by his many years as a city alderman and an active member of the Kingston Rotary Club. He also had a role in the founding of Confederation Park and the acquisition of Kingston’s Norman Rogers Airport. He was passionate about maintaining the historical integrity of Kingston. George served as a member of the RCN during WWII on the HMS Glory, and remained a member of HMCS Cataraqui. He was a colourful teaching personality at both Queen’s and RMC, where he taught and inspired students.

WALLACE
Charles “Chuck” Kusiar Wallace, BA’50, CD, a retired teacher, died suddenly and peacefully on Aug. 29, 2008, at home in Mount Hope, ON, in his 85th year. Survived by his wife of 58 years, Mary (Sweeney), Com’50, son Charles (Harvi), daughter Jane, and five grandchildren. Predeceased by his son Jaime Iain in 1977.

1960s

HONOURS

CLARKE
Robert Clarke. Arts’67, was shortlisted for the Tom Fairley Award for Editorial Excellence by the Editors’ Association of Canada/Association canadienne des réviseurs (EAC) for his work on the book Gold Dust on His Shirt: The True Story of an Immigrant Mining Family by Irene Howard.

GALLIE
Brenda Gallie, Meds’69, received an Ophthalmology Research Award from the Scientific Selection Committee of Alcon Research Institute. The award provides funds for her research in retinoblastoma. Dr. Gallie is head of the Retinoblastoma Program at the Hospital for Sick Children and a senior scientist at the Ontario Cancer Institute, University Health Network, in Toronto.

DEATHS

BRAY
See to 1959 – Deaths.

HOgAN (O’GORMAN)
Lynne (O’Gorman) Hogan, BA’67, died March 22 at the age of 63. Diagnosed with Alzheimer’s disease in 1999, she spent the last seven years of her life in long-term care. Proficient in English and French, Lynne pursued a career teaching languages at the senior high school level in Kingston and Edmonton. After her marriage in 1973, Lynne moved to British Columbia, where she worked and raised her family. Survived by her husband of 36 years, J.J. “Jim” Hogan, son Matthew, daughter Katie Curtis (Pat), grandchildren Keaton, Emerson and Laine, and sisters Patricia Brennan (Dennis), Jane O’Gorman, Arts’70, and Maureen Munro (Stan). Lynne will be remembered by her extended family and many friends across Canada for her lovely smile, true friendship, and caring for all who knew her.

HOWES
Daniel Fraser Howes, BA’61, passed away on May 9 in Kingston, in his 88th year. Beloved husband of Thelma for 57 years. Loving father of Tom, ArtsSci’82 (Debbie), Susan, ArtsSci’84 (Ward), Dan (Jill), Bill, ArtsSci’88 (Noreen), and Rob, ArtsSci’93 (Marian, ArtsSci’92). Cherished grandfather of 11. Predeceased by sisters Margaret and Mary and brothers George, Walter, and Nathaniel. Fraser had a long and respected career as an educator and elementary school principal in the Kingston area.

MILOVICK
Gary Michael Milovick, BA’67, MD’73, retired principal of Courtice Secondary School, died in his 65th year at his Oshawa, ON, home on Sept. 1, in the loving embrace of Joan Anne, his wife of 42 years, and his sons Michael (Jenny) and Matt (Heidi). Gary always had a special twinkle in his eyes whenever he spoke of his five grandchildren: Michael, Liesl, Maxwell, Lian, and Madison. Predeceased by his father, Mike Milovick, BSc’49, his mother Madelaine Danko, and his brother Anthony. Survived by his sister Nancy Beamer (Don). Gary is sadly missed by colleagues, friends, and his large extended family, including his niece Madelyn (Beamer) Law, MA’00. Those privileged to know Gary fondly remember him as a quiet, determined man who possessed a quick wit, a diversity of interests, and an appreciation for life which did not diminish despite the challenges posed during his courageous three-year odyssey with cancer.

PIDGEON
See to 1959 – Deaths.

PUTNAM
George Edward Putnam, BSc’60, died on April 30 after a tragic accident while on vacation in Cuba. Survived by Margaret, his devoted wife of almost 44 years, and his adoring children, Andrea (Bradley Long, ArtsSci’90) and Ian, ArtsSci’92 (Betsy). Also missed by father-in-law Herbert Brookhouse, four grandchildren, and countless friends whose lives he touched with his larger-than-life personality and open heart. Although George spent most of his working life as a businessman, he wore his iron ring proudly and identified himself as an engineer to the end. He retired in 1994 as the Senior Vice-President, Canadian Oil and Gas, of Canadian Occidental Petroleum Ltd. George and Margaret lived for the last 12 years in Ajijic, Mexico, a place George described as the closest a man could get to paradise on Earth. Family and friends whose hearts and dinner tables are quieter without his booming voice, quick wit and deep laugh can take comfort in knowing that George’s 15 years of retirement were the happiest of his life.

SHEwMAN
Robert Wayne Shewman, BSc’63, died on March 15, with his family by his side, in Oakville ON. He was 69. Beloved husband of Joan for 39 years. Loving father of Jayne Shewman-Vickers, ArtsSci’96, Ed’97 (James Scott-Vickers, ArtsSci’94). Cherished Grandpa of Clara, Charlie and Audrey. A resident of Mississauga, ON, for 30 years, Bob spent his career pursuing his love of geology with Rio Algom Ltd., traveling across North America, as well as Chile, Cuba, Denmark and Ireland. In his time off, Bob enjoyed sailing his boat Sapphira on Lake Ontario and researching his family’s genealogy.

STYLES (WEBER)
Mary Rennick (Weber) Styles, BNSc’60, died on April 13, with her family by her side, in Ottawa. Survived by her devoted husband Carl, sons David MacKay (Elayne Lester) and Chris MacKay (Lyn Currie), step-daughters Debbie Guindon (Tom) and Shelley Styles (Phillip), and nine adoring grandchildren. Mary had a kind and free spirit, was well-travelled, and was a devoted Senators fan in good seasons and bad.

WILLIAMS
Robert Lewis Williams, MD’62, PhD’66, died on April 30 in Montreal after a courageous 34 years as a quadriplegic. Greatly missed by his son Ian (Diane); daughter Jennifer, MA’94 (Bruce); sisters Susan Williams and Jane Jackson; nieces and nephews; and grandchildren Madeline, Jack and Lila. Bob grew up in Harriston, ON, the son of the late Janet and Dr. John C. Williams, MD’28. He was first introduced to medicine through observing his father’s country practice. Bob was establishing his research at McGill and clinical practice at the Children’s Hospital when he was suddenly incapacitated by an infection. Through incredible tenacity, he made a new life for himself as a quadriplegic, including re-training in an entirely new specialization, radiology, for which he was certified five years after his illness struck. The support of his friends and employees made this difficult transition possible. While hands-on diagnostic procedures and primary research were now beyond him, he
was a willing consultant and co-investigator whose name is on many publications. Over the course of his career he held appointments (often simultaneously) within the departments of Physiology, Pediatrics and Radiology at McGill. He was medical registrar at the Children’s Hospital from 1977 to 2002. He retired in 2006, having earned a number of awards for his teaching of medical students and residents. Bob will be remembered for his dry sense of humour, his intellectual curiosity, his astonishing memory, his positive outlook, and his generosity. [See The Last Word on page 52 for a remembrance of Bob Williams.]

**WITYK**
Peter Matthew Wityk, BA’62, died peacefully on June 7 in Oshawa, ON, aged 70. Dear partner of Judy Farrell and loving father of Sean, Tim and David Wityk and grandfather of Marshall. Peter played football for Queen’s, and was a member of the Fort Henry Guard. He worked for General Motors in Oshawa.

**1970s**

**COMMITMENTS**

**GLASS**
Hugh Glass, Sc’75, married Avril Godman on Dec. 21, 2007, in Surrey, BC. The wedding took place at Royal Heights Baptist Church on a beautiful snowy day. Avril’s boys, Jonathan and Ben, and Hugh’s children, Torin and Ramsey, were in attendance.

**CELEBRATIONS – 1970s**

**Arts and Science in New York City**

The Faculty of Arts and Science held its fourth annual Alumni Reception at the Harvard Club in New York City on May 13. Generously hosted by John F. Bankes, Arts’73. 70 alumni and friends enjoyed the evening, which featured special guest speaker, CNN Chief Business Correspondent, Ali Velshi, Arts’94, (right) and an update by the dean, Alistair MacLean, MA’67, PhD’69 (left).

**HONOURS**

**GRANT**
In May, Nancy Grant, Meds’73, received an honorary doctorate from the University of New Brunswick. Dr. Grant, a radiation oncologist at the Saint John Regional Hospital, founded Hospice of Greater Saint John in 1983.

**JOE JOB NEWS**

**GLEES**
Jeff Giles, Arts/PHE’78, is the new Director of Athletics and Recreation at McMaster University in Hamilton, ON. Jeff, a chartered accountant, was President and CEO of the Canadian Football League from 1994 to 2000. [His CFL career was profiled in Issue #1-2000 of the Review.]

**HOPKINSON**
R. George Hopkinson, MBA’76, has been appointed President and CEO of USC Education Savings Plans Inc. (USCI). George comes to USCI from AMEX Bank of Canada, where he was in charge of the strategic direction and implementation of advance payment technologies.

**KINNEAR**
In February, Meg Kinnear, Arts’78, was elected Secretary-General of the International Center for Settlement of Investment Disputes, an arm of the World Bank in Washington. Meg will be leaving her job as Director General of Canada’s Trade Law Bureau and moving to Washington with her son Chris, 20, and her daughter Kelly, 15.

**MILNE**
Michael Milne, Arts’77, now works for Hole In One Canada as the Regional Representative for Kingston and Area.

**WOUTERS**
Wayne Wouters, MA’77, was appointed Clerk of the Privy Council by Prime Minister Stephen Harper, effective July 1. He was previously Secretary of the Treasury Board.

**ASH**
Kathryn Elizabeth Ash, BA’73, died at home in Toronto on June 10, with her family by her side. Deeply missed by her parents, Marjorie and Eric Ash, sister Susan Lindsay (Ron), brother David, Sc’77 (Dallas Brodie), and nieces Katherine and Madeleine, as well as by relatives across North America, and the wide circle of friends she cultivated throughout her life. Kathryn was called to the Ontario Bar in 1981 and started her legal career at Northern Telecom. She then worked for Royal Trust, specializing in corporate trust services. She later became Vice-President, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary for AIM Trimark. In 2001, Kathryn joined Borden Ladner Gervais, where she was a partner for a number of years. She had a wonderful capacity to draw people together as a “hostess extraordinaire”. She loved to travel; New York weekends were a frequent favourite, as were ski trips to Whistler. She was an inspired cook and an inaugural member of the Gourmet Club. Kathryn was also a dedicated volunteer, serving as President of the School of Toronto Dance Theatre for many years.

**BILLICH (WYLLIE)**
See to 1959 – Deaths.

**CEDERBERG**
John Alexander Kirkland “Kirk” Cederberg, BA’79, died in his sleep on April 27, aged 57, in his home town of Streetsville, ON. He had been diagnosed six years earlier with Idiopathic Viral Cardiomyopathy, a rare, incurable, heart virus with no known cause. He had way too much fun in life, and spent a majority of his career in the U.S. and Europe as an executive VP in operational management consulting. Predeceased by his father Fred, BA’49; survived by his partner Jane, mother Mary, Arts’47, and gazillions of Cederberg brothers, sisters, in-laws, nieces, nephews and assorted clan members.

**HAMILTON**
Michael Andrew Hamilton, BSc’75, passed away unexpectedly in Ottawa on Oct. 24, 2007. Dearly missed by his loving wife of 32
HONOURS – 1970s

Compute this happy ending

When David Franklin, Arts’70, registered in the one-year-old Department of Computing and Information Science at Queen’s in 1970 as an MSc student, he certainly didn’t picture his convocation taking place in 2009. On June 9, David received his graduate degree – 39 years after he started the program. He came to Queen’s as an undergraduate in the fall of 1965, graduating with a degree in Chemistry in 1970. He liked the university and the city so much that he chose to stay to do his graduate work. He began the first year the Computing Science department offered an MSc and spent about four years in the program, until a lack of research funds and family obligations made it too hard to continue.

The fact that he didn’t finish his MSc did not deter David. He got a job as a computer programmer with the federal government, then moved into consulting, and has had a long and successful career as a computer consultant ever since.

David always remembered his time at Queen’s fondly, and remained a faithful supporter of his alma mater, donating regularly to the department, now called the School of Computing. Two years ago, he was invited to an event introducing the new director of the school, Selim Ald. A few months later, Selim was visiting Ottawa and met David for coffee. David idly mentioned his regret at never having completed his Master’s degree. Selim did some investigating and determined that the only requirements for Mr. Franklin to finish that degree were one course and one project. “Selim made it sound possible,” says David, “and I thought, what the heck? It’s worth a try.” With Professor Ald as his supervisor and staunch supporter, David completed the requirements. “I am really thrilled,” he says. “I always wanted to get the degree, and had just given up – this is really nice closure.”

– BY KATE ARCHIBALD-CROSS

years, Lesley (Marsh) Hamilton, Artsci’77, and daughters Amanda Krzeslak and Andrea Hamilton. Much loved son of Gordon, Sc’48, and Nancy (Dynson) Hamilton, Arts’48. Missed by his brothers Peter, Sc’77 (Trish Cameron), and Roger, Sc’81, Meds’85 (Wendy-Lee Cox, Rehab’86), and nieces and nephews. On graduation from Queen’s, Michael received the Engineering Medal and a Commonwealth Scholarship, which took him to the U of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England, where he completed his PhD in Chemical Engineering in 1979. He worked as Director of the Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Program for the National Research Council in Ottawa. He was fervent in his research, and shared his passion with his team of co-workers. Being a genuine person-people, Michael could draw out the best from those around him. His character and personal style radiated well beyond NRC into the fuel cell community in Canada and beyond. The executive boardroom at NRC’s Institute for Fuel Cell Innovation in Vancouver has been named in his honour, and a beautiful Japanese maple tree was planted in his memory with a dedication ceremony in October 2008.

Good music, good causes

The Twenty-first Century Boys are an Ottawa-based rock and blues band, featuring five Queen’s alumni: Scott Bradley, EMBA’04 [guitar and vocals], Warren Everson, Artsci’82 [harmonica, vocals], Dave Fraser, Artsci’82 [guitar, vocals], Peter Linkletter, MPL’97, EMBA’04 [keyboards, vocals], and Darrel Reid, PhD’94 [bass]. Tim Murphy, Artsci’82, a former Queen’s Journal editor, was also a band member during his Ottawa days, when he was Chief of Staff to former Prime Minister Paul Martin. Since 2005, the group has put on shows to support a number of charitable causes in the Ottawa area. The line-up also includes Richard Mahoney and Kelly Craig. When the boys are not raising money for good causes like the Ottawa Food Bank and Ottawa Cancer Society Relay for Life, they keep busy in their day jobs. Scott is Director, Federal Affairs, at Schering-Plough. Dave is Vice-President of Marketing for Chipworks. Warren, who used to write for the Queen’s Journal and Alumni Review, works in Government Relations at StrategyCorp. Darrel is Deputy Chief of Staff in the Prime Minister’s Office, and Peter is Director General, Real Property, at the Department of National Defence.
1980s

**BIRTHS**

**LEVESQUE/TAVERNER**
Carol Taverner and Daniel Levesque, both Arts’87, are happy to announce the second birthday of their son, Maximus Levesque, born on July 3, 2007. Email: ctaverner@actra.ca; spuderis@idirect.com.

**HONOURS**

**EICHHORN (MACDONNELL)**
Virginia (MacDonnell) Eichhorn, Arts’88, is the 2009 recipient of the Jean Johnson/Melanie Egan Award for Curatorial Excellence from the Ontario Crafts Council for her exhibition *Annie E. Brown: In Memory*. A project almost four years in the making, the exhibition was inspired by a “true” ghost story and brought together Victorian mourning and bereavement artefacts with contemporary pieces of art. The exhibition was displayed at galleries in Ontario and Quebec. Virginia can be contacted at Virginia@canadianclayandglass.ca.

**KERR**
Gord Kerr, Com’84, is the 2009 recipient of the Nipissing U. Alumni Association’s Achievement Award. Gord is head of marketing for home equity and lending at RBC Royal Bank and the director and founder of the Parent Involvement Centre in Gormley, ON. The centre provides teachers, principals and leaders of school volunteer programs with strategies and resources to engage parents and the community in education.

**SCHÖNMAIER**
Eleanore Schönmaier, Arts’85, NSc’86, has won the 2009 Alfred G. Bailey Prize for her poetry manuscript *What We Don’t Think of Packing*. The prize is awarded by the Writers’ Federation of New Brunswick. Last year, Eleanore received the Earle Birney Prize for her poem *Migrations*.

**JOB NEWS**

**DE PENCIER**
Adam de Pencier, Arts’82, MA’84, has been appointed Headmaster of the Fieldstone Day School in Toronto. Adam has spent 25 years in the field of independent education, most recently as Headmaster of Hammond School in South Carolina.

**HEARDEN**
Dave Hearden, Sc’86, has been promoted to Senior Principal for Delcan Corporation, an engineering, planning, management and technology consulting firm in Ottawa. In his previous role as Manager of the Road Design Group, Dave provided project management and design expertise on a number of projects in the Ottawa region.

**NOTES**

**BERGERON**
Annette Bergeron, Sc’87, has been elected President and Board Chair of the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers. She has been a member of the board since 2002. Annette is also a lecturer at Queen’s School of Business.

**DEATHS**

**AFFLECK**
Jane Elizabeth Affleck, BA’81, passed away in Toronto on her birthday, April 27, after a courageous battle with cancer. Born and raised in Montreal, Jane was the daughter of the late Ray and Betty Ann Affleck. She will be sadly missed by her long-time companion, John Kimber, her brothers Neil, Gavin (Madeleine), and Ewan (Susan), and her nephews and nieces Alexander, Gabriel, Lucas, Shonah and Anika.

**KING**
Edwin “Ted” Charles King, BA’89, died March 21 in London, ON, with his family at his side after a courageous two-and-a-half-year battle with cancer. Dearly loved husband of Joyce (Radford) and “Daddy boy” to his children Leonie and Emma. Beloved son of...
Alan and Ruth King, and loving brother to Scot (Barb), Matthew (Kathy), and Will of Kingston. Fondly remembered by his in-laws, Leona and Albert Radford, and his brother-and-sisters-in-law, Darrell, Shirley, Linda and Judy, who have been a special part of his life for many years. Friend of Nelly the cat. Ted was a psychometrist for the Thames Valley District School Board. He was incredibly conscientious, kind, generous, and talented. His parents and brothers are very proud of the life he lived. Ted’s wife and girls provided the greatest joy to his life. He enjoyed golf, guitar, and woodworking. His “two shots” in golf and meticulous craftsmanship will be fondly remembered.

1990s

**BUFTON/ MINTY**
Jane (Bufton), ConEd’98, and Tyler Minty, ArtsSc’00, welcomed Aiden Harper Minty on April 2. Jane and Tyler met on the Queen’s Alumni dragon boat team in Ottawa, where they still live. Aiden was welcomed by Ottawa Branch President Sophie Sommerer, ArtsSc’98, with his first Queen’s sweatshirt. At one month he was already dressed to follow in the footsteps of his parents, grandfather Len Minty, SC’68, Ed’69, and uncle Joel Minty, ArtsSc’03.

**COWLING (COCKELL)**
Clare (Cockell), ArtsSc’96, and Paul Cowling welcomed Patrick Henry on Dec. 8, 2008, in Toronto. Big brother Michael is enjoying his new role – especially now that he can make Patrick laugh.

**HALL**
Gwyneth Hall, ArtsSc’92, and Dave Martin are proud to announce the birth of Charlotte Francis Martin on Feb.16, 2008, in London, ON. At just over one year of age she is taking her future quite seriously (see photo) and mom is crossing her fingers for Queen’s class of 2030!

**MALICKI**
Paul Malicki, Sc’97, and Marilyne Lemay are pleased to announce the arrival of William Normand Richard on Jan. 21 in Quebec City, where Paul and Marilyne direct the Campus for Christ ministries on the university and CEGEP campuses. They can be reached at pmalicki@gmail.com.

**MARK/ RANNE**
Rob Mark, ArtsSc’96, and Jane Rannie, Mus’97, welcomed their first son, James, into the world on May 1 in Toronto. James set a new Ontario record by crawling two times his body length before his two-week birthday. His parents are very proud of him.

**WALKER**
Charles, ArtsSc’97, and Sylvia Walker and big sister Madison were thrilled to welcome Benjamin to this world on Feb. 18. Proud relatives include grandparents David Walker, Meds’71, Dean of Health Sciences at Queen’s, and Emily Leslie, Lynn Walker, ArtsSc’71, MBA’77, Meds’93, and Ian Craine. Benjamin hopes to be part of the Class of 2030.

**WONG/LAM**
Daniel Wong, Com’97, and Linda Lam, both MIR/Law’01, along with daughter Sydney, 2, welcomed their second daughter, Alexis Wei-Chi Wong, on Feb. 15. They live in Toronto, where Dan practises...
**honours - future alumni**

**Student honours for volunteer work**

In April, Bronwyn Loucks, BFA’11, was one of eight people to receive the Ontario Medal for Young Volunteers from the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration. Bronwyn’s father, Peter Loucks, Arts’75, and grandfather, George Loucks, Arts’49, were at the Toronto ceremony to see her receive the award from Lt.-Gov. David Onley. Bronwyn was honoured for her volunteer commitment to mental health issues and helping to reduce the stigma associated with mental illness. She helped launch a new campaign in southeastern Ontario, offering art workshops to young people. Her studies in art have really helped her with this project, she says. “I love developing artistic skills that I can pass on to others, and thereby encouraging others to speak out about mental health through artistic creation.”

Bronwyn serves on the board of directors of Children’s Mental Health Ontario and is a member of the New Mentality, a youth-driven pilot project that aims to create and support an Ontario-wide network to promote mental health and advocate for a system that meets the needs of young people.  

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**honours**

**lai**

Jonathan Lai, Arts’99, Assistant Professor of Biochemistry at Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University, Bronx, NY, has been awarded a 2009 Young Investigator Award of the Arnold and Mabel Beckman Foundation. The award will fund Dr. Lai’s innovative research on HIV and antibody-mediated immunity for three years.

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**alumni spotlight – 1980s**

**The optimistic newspaperman**

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_After graduating, John went on to short stints with The Financial Times, London Free Press and Toronto Star. He joined the Globe in 1989 as a senior writer on the Report on Business magazine. In 1992, he was posted to New Delhi, India, where he spent seven years as the paper’s development issues correspondent._

_John has won five national newspaper awards, a national magazine award, and an Amnesty International Award for human rights reporting. He was named to the Globe’s top job in May, at a time when several major American newspapers had already failed and others were teetering on the verge of bankruptcy. Nonetheless, he regards the challenges facing print journalism these days not as something to be feared, but rather as an opportunity. “There is, and always will be, a demand for what we do – finding out stuff that people care about,” he says. “People will find ways of paying for that and for selling that information. There will continue to be a business model for journalism.”_  

_However, in the age of bloggers and proliferating TV news channels, and with other Toronto media such as Maclean’s lamenting that “the old grey Globe, she ain’t what she used to be,” John knows he has his work cut out to keep the Globe relevant, competitive, and profitable. “The fallacy is that there’s no skill to journalism. When you’re part of an organization that’s accountable for what you publish in a legal and economic sense, there’s a greater rigour demanded of journalists. That’s not the case in the more freewheeling corners of the Internet,” he notes._

_Unlike some people, John doesn’t envision a world in which readers will hunch over their computers as they scroll through screen after screen of digital text. Unlike news on computer and TV screens, print on paper is totally portable. “People want to sit down with something they can hold and read. Holding a newspaper in hand is more convenient and comfortable than reading a screen. It’s something Canadians want, and it’s something they’re still willing to pay for.”_  

_That said, he acknowledges that the future of newspapers is inextricably tied to the Internet. Competition among digital editions of major newspapers is almost as keen as it is for sales of newsstand copies. The challenge for The Globe and Mail, and every other newspaper, is to find_
**Honours**

New Education Scholarship

In February, Alexandra Toms and Gloria So, both Ed’09, received scholarships from the United World College of South East Asia in Singapore. The scholarships, new this year, are offered to Queen’s BEd or MEd students who are interested in teaching internationally.

**Murphy (Andrews)**

Amy (Andrews) Murphy, Arts’95, is a naturopathic doctor (ND) in Toronto, specializing in women’s health, endocrine disorders, and body-mind medicine. She can be reached at amymurphynd@gmail.com. Amy’s e-mail address was listed incorrectly in the last issue.

**Wong**

Carson Wong, Arts’92, has been named the medical director of the Center for Robotic Surgery at Oklahoma University Medical Center. He is a specialist in minimally invasive techniques for the treatment of urologic disorders.

**Family News**

**Sterne (Mabee)**

Jennifer (Mabee), Arts’91, and Jason Sterne, Sc’94, with their two boys, Connor and Liam, are moving back to Ottawa after spending the last three years in Versailles, France. Jason will continue to work for Alcatel-Lucent in Ottawa.

**2000s**

**Births**

Buffon/Minty

See 1990s – Births.

**Brazee**

Amanda Brazee, Arts’01, and Guy De Launière welcomed their second son, Luca Brazee De Launière, on March 13. Luca’s brother Alexandre is two. Amanda
writes, "Luca is so happy and smiley – really a good-natured baby. We lucked out!" They live in Albany, NY.

CONCETTINI (BUEHRER) Karin (Buehrer) Concettini, Artsci’00, husband Alex, and daughter Alice were thrilled to meet Breanna Rose on Jan. 18. Breanna fits in perfectly; luckily, she isn’t bothered by the noisy household (due in part to Betty, the three-pound guard dog Yorkie, and Bruce the vocal cat). Karin and family live in Ottawa.

COOPER Jodi Cooper, Rehab’01, and husband Matthew Brake are delighted to announce the arrival of their son, Patrick Francis Edward Brake, on Oct. 8, 2008, in St. John’s, NL. The family resides in Gander, where Jodi is on maternity leave from her position as a Pediatric Outreach Physiotherapist with the Janeway Children’s Health and Rehabilitation Centre. She can be reached at jodicoope76@hotmail.com.

HOLLOWAY (DRINKWALTER) Alicia (Drinkwalter), Sc’01, David Holloway, and brother Timothy are excited to announce the birth of Emelyn Naomi Frances on March 11 in Oakville, ON. Also welcoming Emelyn are proud grandparents Allan, Arts’70, MBA’72, and Brenda Drinkwalter, Arts’70, and uncle Graeme Drinkwalter, Com’03.

LALONDE Stacey Lalonde, Sc’01, and her husband Aaron are overjoyed to announce the birth of their son Spencer Geoghegan, born May 11. Stacey and Aaron are both sleep-deprived and very happy.

SUGDEN (TURTON) Emily (Turton), Artsci’02, and Adam Sugden are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Emma, born on Aug. 27, 2008, in Oakville, ON. Emily is currently on maternity leave from her job at Ford Credit Canada Limited. She can be reached at emilysugden@canada.com.

WONG/LAM See 1990s Births.

COMMITMENTS

KLARER/WILSON Heather Klarer, Artsci’06, and Jeremy Wilson, Com’06, were wed at the University Club in Kingston on Nov. 15, 2008. Heather and Jer met as pipers in Queen’s Bands. They currently reside in Toronto.

LAM Angela Lam, Law’05, and John Periteeanu are happy to announce their engagement. They will be married Sept. 18, 2010, in Mississauga, ON. The couple currently resides in Toronto, where Angela is a partner at the law firm of Stanton, Murray & Lam, and John is the Director of IT for CEM Benchmarking. They can be reached at lam.periteeanu@gmail.com.

ROBERTS/SEYBOLD Benjamin Roberts, Artsci’04, and Claire Seybold, NSc’06, were married in a private ceremony in Halifax, NS, on June 28, 2008. In September, they celebrated their union at a reception in Bloomfield, ON, with friends and family (including Claire’s father, William Seybold, MD’82, and several other Queen’s alumni). Claire is currently completing a Master’s degree in community health and epidemiology at Dalhousie U, and Ben is learning to play the fiddle.

HONOURS

KINGDOM-BEBB Kayla Kingdom-Bebb, Artsci’07, Com’07, is one of 14 recipients of the 2009/10 Canadian Centennial Scholarships. Kayla is in England studying at Cambridge for a PhD in Land Economy, studying Aboriginal Law Rights and Governance.

MILLAR Ashley Millar, Artsci’05, received the Mary LeMessurier Award for History from the Canadian Centennial Scholarship Fund. Ashley is currently in England pursuing her PhD in International History at the London School of Economics.

MILLS Sean Mills, Ph.D’08, was honoured by the Canadian Historical Association with two prizes: the John Bullen Prize, awarded annually to the outstanding PhD thesis on an historical topic submitted in a Canadian university, and the Eugene A. Forsey Prize, awarded for the best labour history thesis. Sean’s thesis places the political movements of Quebec’s Quiet Revolution in the larger international context in which they emerged, and looks to the complex interactions between Montreal’s different linguistic and ethnic groups. Sean is currently working on a manuscript based on his thesis, tentatively titled Empire and the City: Montreal’s Postcolonial Imagination.

WILLIAMS Allison Williams, Artsci’09, received one of three TD Insurance Me-loche Monnex Fellowships given out this year by the Canadian Council on Education Advancement. The fellowships are awarded to university and college graduates who have demonstrated leadership through their work in alumni relations, fundraising and development, communications and student recruitment. Allison is working for the next year with the Alumni Relations department at Queen’s.

JOB NEWS

COLBERT In May, Ailsa H. Colbert, Artsci’05, graduated with Honours as a doctor of optometry (OD) from the Pennsylvania College of Optometry at Salus University in Philadelphia. She received several awards, including recognition for Clinical Excellence in Pediatrics and her involvement in Gold Key and Beta Sigma Kappa Honor Societies. Proud parents are Heather Scott Colbert, Artsci’75, MA’77, BEd’78, and Tim Colbert, Artsci’74, Law’78. Dr. Colbert has accepted a residency position specializing in Family Practice Optometry at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. She can be reached at ailsacolbert@gmail.com.

CONLEY Scott Conley, Artsci’02, recently accepted a geologist position at BHP Billiton’s EKATI Diamond Mine in the Northwest Territories. Most recently, Scott worked as a mine geologist at Goldcorp’s Musselwhite Mine in Northwestern Ontario. Scott writes, “In January, I left Musselwhite Mine to go work with Amanda [Sc’04], who was a Geotechnical Engineer there for the past two years. We recently sold our home in Bowmanville, ON, and have now made the big move to the Great White North in Yellowknife.”

VANDEWALL Eric Vandewall, MPA’05, is the new President and CEO of Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital in Burlington, ON. Previously, he was Senior Vice-President of Trillium Health Centre, which has medical sites in Mississauga and Etobicoke.
A second novel in “the Smithyman Saga” by David More, MPA’94, is popular this summer at historical re-enactments in Ontario and New York State. The Lily and the Rose (iUniverse, $22.95 US) had its first signings at Fort Henry in Kingston and Old Fort Niagara, NY (250th anniversary of the French and Indian War). “Lily” is a sequel to More’s IPPY Award-winning 2006 novel The Eastern Door. Check out www.davidmore.ca or write to dmore1@cogeco.ca.

Robert Patterson, Com’74, MA’75, now lives and works in Warsaw, Poland, as an emerging-market banking adviser and corporate trainer. He has authored a series of compendiums of business words in English, translated into Polish, covering accounting, banking and finance. They are published under the auspices of his former employer, the accounting firm of PricewaterhouseCoopers. He can be reached at patterson@ipk.pl.


Cameron Reed, MSc’79, has written Quantum Mechanics (Jones & Bartlett, $114.95 US), a textbook for third-year-level physics majors encountering their first course in quantum physics. Cameron is Professor and Chair of the Physics Department at Alma College in Michigan.

Brian Rowe, Arts’81, is the editor of Evidence-Based Emergency Medicine (BMJ-Wiley-Blackwell, $303.00). This is the first book in emergency medicine that uses an evidence-based approach to address the problems practising physicians encounter in this setting. The book summarizes the published evidence available for the diagnosis and treatment of common emergency health care problems in adults. Dr. Rowe is Professor and Canada Research Chair in Emergency Medicine at the University of Alberta in Edmonton.

Susan (McKibbin) Telfer, Arts’88, has written her first book of poetry, House Beneath (Hagios Press, $17.95). She writes about human relationships, family and the British Columbia landscape. Susan teaches high school and lives in Gibsons, BC, with her husband and three children.

Rad Zdero, PhD’99, has written his third book, Entopia: Revolution of the Ants (OakTara Publishers, $15.95). This fantasy novel tells the story of Gazer, an ordinary worker ant, who finds herself caught up in political intrigue and civil revolt. Entopia is a multi-layered tale in the allegorical tradition of Orwell’s Animal Farm.
In May, Michael Gardner, EMBA’05, was elected chair of the board of the ALS Society of Canada. Michael has been a member of the board since 2003. ALS Canada funds research toward a cure for ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig’s Disease, and provides information to build public awareness about the disease. Michael is CEO of Recombo, a Vancouver-based provider of interactive online agreement and secure electronic signature/digital signature software.

Miranda Urbanski, BFA’06, has completed her MFA at the U of Waterloo. Miranda showed her work at her MFA thesis exhibition at the Render Gallery in Waterloo.

An out-of-this-world experience

Astronaut Drew Feustel, PhD’95, struggles to find the right words to describe his recent 13-day mission in space. “There’s really nothing you can compare it to,” he says. “Floating in space, seeing the curvature of the earth, watching the continents roll by underneath you: that’s all so amazing.”

The 43-year-old credits his Queen’s doctoral education in mining seismology (under the supervision of professors Paul Young and Herb Helmstaedt) and his experience installing and operating monitoring equipment in mines as key factors in his later success as an astronaut. “Learning how to adapt to confined spaces and claustrophobic environments, and understanding your safety and survival needs proved to be a great benefit in my training for the space program,” he notes.

As a mission specialist on the space shuttle Atlantis – the final shuttle mission to service NASA’s Hubble Space Telescope – Drew helped install new instruments, repair existing ones and replace essential parts to keep the telescope functioning until 2014. Doing so was a challenge from both technical and personal standpoints.

Drew says he’s looking forward to sharing the details of his out-of-this-world experience and his insights with members of the Queen’s and Kingston communities. With that in mind, he’s writing an account of his experiences exclusively for the upcoming Fall issue of the Review. Please watch for it.

– BY NANCY DORRANCE, ED’76

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2009 MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

The academic year which has just ended has been a demanding one for the Faculty of Arts and Science and for Queen’s as a whole. Overshadowing other major issues, including that of understanding and improving diversity, are major financial pressures which are affecting our capacity to maintain quality academic programmes. While a number of changes have already taken place to respond to our budget situation, a major review of the Faculty is already being planned to start this Fall. Our goal remains to achieve the highest quality we can in the current fiscal reality.

One of the greatest risks in situations of financial stringency is to cease to look ahead and be innovative. We are taking advantage wherever possible of the Federal and Provincial governments’ infrastructure funding and a major portion of the funding needed for a new Arts Campus has been secured due to the generosity of Drs. Alfred and Isabel Bader and from government grants. This is not funding that would be available to support operating expenses. We are also examining ways in which our curriculum can be restructured to maintain or increase quality and economies can be achieved through the use of modern methods of course delivery.

As you will see from this newsletter, we are also increasing our international outreach both by sending students and faculty members out from Queen’s and attracting students and colleagues from abroad. When thinking of international collaborations, it is natural first to think of subjects like the languages and development studies but I would like to draw your attention to the fact that almost every department in the Faculty has some degree of international connection either through its students or its faculty members.

We face difficult years ahead. This is not new to Queen’s or to our Faculty. I have every confidence that today’s students, faculty, staff and alumni will prove as equal to the challenge of maintaining and supporting quality instruction, scholarship and creative endeavour as did our forebears.

Alistair W. MacLean
Dean, Faculty of Arts and Science

EXPANDING EDUCATIONAL HORIZONS

THINK INTERNATIONAL!

Cross-cultural understanding and appreciation, language acquisition, the opportunity to engage in international affairs and issues, personal growth through increased independence, self-confidence, and adaptability to new situations. All of these are to be gained by adding an international component to a post-secondary education.

On “Student Street” in Mackintosh-Corry Hall, there is a busy corner office full of enticing study abroad brochures, maps of distant lands and riveting photographs of exotic far-away places. Life-changing opportunities abound at the International Programs Office (IPO) — the hub of all study abroad activities in the Faculty of Arts and Science. It’s a cozy, welcoming place where staff are happy to assist students looking for an international experience whether it be spending a term at the Bader International Study Centre (BISC) in the UK, participating in an archaeological dig in Jordan, engaging... }

“Going on exchange has helped to solidify my interest in a career in conservation biology. My experience brought me face-to-face with some of the world’s most fascinating creatures, along with Australian academics whose work bridges the gap between science and policy-making.”

ANGELA BOAG, 4TH-YEAR BIOLOGY
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in a work-study program at Fudan University in China, embarking on an exchange with any of the Faculty’s 80 university partners in 22 countries, or participating in a study-abroad program at numerous higher-education institutions around the world.

IPO has never been busier as increasing numbers of students opt for the knowledge advantage that an exchange can offer. Despite the downturn in global financial markets, there has been an unprecedented increase of 52% in applications to participate in an exchange experience. Added to the ever greater number of students seeking exchanges abroad, many others are opting for the International Studies Certificate – a valuable credential that can be added to their degree. In response to this increased interest, IPO staff have established additional exchanges and services.

- A “buddy” program — launched in collaboration with the Arts & Science Undergraduate Society, which pairs a Queen’s student with an incoming exchange student.
- The development of a transition/orientation program for first-year BISC students arriving for their second year on Queen’s campus.
- A new exchange program established with the University of Havana – the first at a Canadian university— and new partnerships in Chile and Argentina.
- Annual visits to campus of professors from the BISC. This year, Daphne Lawson (Art History) and Scott McLean (History) met with former BISC students delighted to see their professors from the UK again.
- As Arts and Science sends its largest contingent of students out on exchange this year, IPO Director Patrick O’Neill (German) anticipates that one major challenge over the next few years will be to provide international opportunities for all who want them.

A critical part of a liberal education is an awareness of global issues and a variety of cultures so the IPO will continue to encourage all students to think international.

GOVERNING ETHNIC DIVERSITY

Globalization and the unprecedented internal and international movements of peoples make social diversity and ethnорational and religious conflicts among the most compelling issues of social analysis and public policy of our era. From the political resurgence of minority national communities in Western Europe and former Soviet Bloc; to ethnic conflicts in Africa; aboriginal peoples in North and South America; and multiculturalism in cities from Toronto to Paris, Melbourne and Rotterdam, ethnic diversity presents new challenges. These issues are the focus of an international interdisciplinary project based at Queen’s focused on the analysis, prevention and resolution of ethically-based conflicts.

The Ethnicity and Democratic Governance Project (EDG) is the first ever SSHRC – funded Major Collaborative Research Project to be based at Queen’s. Now in its fourth year, the EDG group, directed by Bruce Berman (Political Studies), has produced a high volume of publications. Members are also engaged internationally in advising on constitutional reforms and the resolution of conflicts in countries from Iraq and Nepal to Kenya and Fiji.

- The EDG crackerjack team comprises two partner universities, University of Toronto and Université du Québec au Montréal; 39 internationally-based academic experts on diversity; over 100 students; plus a deep commitment to training upcoming scholars and engaging policy makers.

- Giving students the opportunity to explore diverse areas of ethnic conflict is one of the project's many strengths. Students serve as research assistants, and summer interns, learning about and contributing to the development of a large-scale international research program.

- For its graduate students, the project is integral in shaping the direction of their research; for others, it is a place to gain confidence in their own research abilities or to see the connections between theory and fieldwork.

- John McGarry (Political Studies), a member of the EDG, has travelled to tension-filled areas such as Cyprus, Northern Ireland, and the Philippines as a member of the first ever UN on-call mediation Stand-by Team. As the Senior Advisor on Power-Sharing on the five-member team, he has advised UN leaders within the UN Secretariat in New York, as well as some UN Special Representatives in the field – specifically those concerned with Iraq, Cyprus, Zimbabwe, and Western Sahara. His most important involvement has been in Cyprus, where he met with the governance negotiators

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While at Queen’s, Stefan Ehrentraut, a visiting doctoral student from the University of Potsdam in Germany, found that the EDG played a helpful role in conducting his research on Cambodia.

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from both the Turkish Cypriot and Greek Cypriot sides on several occasions. One of the pivotal issues that must be resolved in Cyprus – if there is to be a settlement - is the nature and composition of the federal executive branch of government. McGarry’s job has been to help fashion a compromise acceptable to both sides.

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“Through my coursework and project involvement, I have gained valuable critical thinking and research skills from both the Social Sciences and the Humanities. My growing interdisciplinary background - which includes quantitative and qualitative research methods combined with some narrative analysis - really enables a fuller understanding of the dual epidemics in rural South Africa. Now I have an appreciation for public health research methods and the people and socio-cultural and political history of South Africa.”

LAUREN MCNICOL, ARTSCI ’08, M.SC. HEALTH PROMOTION CANDIDATE

SOUTH AFRICAN MEN & BOYS PROJECT

Two years ago, Rosemary Jolly (English) and Stevenson Fergus (Kinesiology & Health Studies) together with co-investigators Drs. Beverly Chalmers (Medicine) and Alan Jeeves (History) were awarded $688,530 to investigate the links between gender-based violence (GBV) and coercion and HIV/AIDS in rural KwaZulu-Natal (KZN), South Africa.

Africa has amongst the highest rates of both GBV and HIV internationally. In a poor and under-researched area in the interior of KZN, between the foothills of the great Drakensberg Mountains, Jolly and Fergus, together with their team, are conducting research specifically with the aim of developing an intervention targeted at rural Zulu boys and men to diminish rates of GBV-related HIV infection in the area.

In December 2008, Jolly, Fergus and Jeeves, together with the project’s doctoral trainee, Jessica Cowan-Dewar, and master’s trainee, Lauren McNicol, Artsci ‘08, and the assistance of ten Zulu speaking research assistants, gathered information from 451 boys and men on topics ranging from their household income and migrancy to factors influencing sexual behaviours in the community by means of a computer assisted self-interviewing technique. This method of data collection allows for audio interviewing to account for low levels of written literacy in the community; it is also completely anonymous, a factor of some importance in collecting information in any community that may be perceived to have shameful values attached to it.

This is a remarkable interdisciplinary co-operation, involving faculty and students from disciplines in Arts and Science that range across History, English (South African literature and culture), and Public Health.

Graduate students Jessica Cowan-Dewar and Lauren McNicol are shown practicing tent setup during field training. The tents were intended to provide both privacy and shade for the participants as they completed the computer self-assisted interview.
ITALIAN CONNECTIONS...

CHIARA FAMA – CLEAR FAME

Chiara Fama— the special procedure that induced inventor and Nobel laureate Marconi to Italy as a university professor in the early 20th century attracted Tony Geramita (Mathematics & Statistics) as well. As the Chair in Geometry at the University of Genoa, Geramita facilitates the steady stream of Italian researchers who visit Queen’s to become acquainted with the research community in Canada. Numerous Queen’s doctoral students benefit as well from Geramita’s Italian connection by joining him for a term at his adopted university.

So much has Geramita come to love his adopted home in Italy that he has written an English language guide book to *Medieval Genoa*. The book describes a walking tour through the part of the city that was built and reflects the glory of Genoa in the time of the Crusades and shortly thereafter. *Medieval Genoa* describes the buildings and explains the historical context in which the city “La Superba” flourished in the years between 1000 and 1450.

ARCHEOLOGICAL DIG AT TORRE DI SATRIANO

Up to fifteen undergraduate and graduate students from the Department of Classics are given an intensive introduction to archaeological methods and interpretation, including laboratory practice and field activities in ancient sites of South-East Italy. After their training, they take part in the dig of an ancient and medieval site at Torre di Satriano, currently under investigation by the University of Basilicata, working and living together with the Italian students. This allows them to compare mutually their experience of study and life. On site, students record their daily work and achievements, and submit a final report on the area proposing an interpretation of the evidence in the wider context of the site. Throughout their time in Italy, these budding archaeologists visit some of the most important museums and archaeological sites and are introduced to South Italian history and art after Classical Antiquity, as well as to nature and cultural traditions and festivals, to make their experience more complete and rewarding.

“Not only was Queen’s project in Italy a tremendous opportunity to experience a foreign culture, it was rewarding academically as well. As a graduate student, I was presented with virtually limitless research opportunities, and had access to thousands of ancient artifacts.”

ZEYD BISMILLA, ARTSCI ’06, CLASSICS MASTERS

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Fighting for the forgotten
Myroslava Tataryn, Artsci’04, fights to win rights for disabled people affected with HIV/AIDS.

By Heather Grace Stewart, Artsci’95

In its February 2009 issue, the editors of Chatelaine magazine wrote, “We have our eye” Myroslava Tataryn. Now I have, too.

If the Saskatchewan-raised disabilities activist had a Twitter account, I’d be following her tweets, but she’s too busy making noise with her work in other ways.

Reaching the 2008 Gordon Global Fellow on her cell phone in Kampala, Uganda recently was no easy task – and not only because the line went dead at one point. She’s working these days as an adviser on disability and AIDS for Stephen Lewis’s advocacy organization, AIDS-Free World, while juggling her Fellowship work. She also spends a lot of time meeting with decision makers and activists in the field.

Myroslava’s fellowship work has her investigating the potential role of the new UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in enhancing women’s access to reproductive health care services. She’s busy carrying out interviews throughout Uganda and in Canada as part of this project. “It’s a huge honour to have won this award. What’s really special about it is that there’s a big emphasis placed on networking and developing relationships within our field and with each other,” she says. “We’re able to meet three times a year with the other Canadian Fellows who are working on different issues all over the world. It’s amazing how much we’re learning from each other.”

Although she was born with her own physical disability, it only when she traveled to Ghana at age 20 in 2002 that she became interested in disability activism. “I saw people with disabilities begging in the streets, and I started to question the realities of having a disability.”

She began delving into those issues as part of her studies at Queen’s. “I hadn’t thought about my disability as part of my social justice work until that trip,” Myroslava recalls. “I was born with a disability, but my sisters and I were all treated equally. We were all expected to carry our weight. Coming to terms with my identity as a disabled woman has actually been helpful, because my disability influenced how I grew up and how I now interact with the world.”

She refuses to share her medical diagnosis because, as she says, “The label has been more or less useless for me.” Through her work and the Fellowship, which involves interviewing disabled women and taking their concerns to policy-makers.

Myroslava hopes to shift the focus away from labels and to dispel myths so people with disabilities will no be longer excluded from HIV/AIDS initiatives. “There are widespread ideas that, somehow, because we have a disability, we don’t fall in love, we can’t find partners, and we wouldn’t ever have sex,” she says.

She argues that, historically, issues around sexuality and disability have “all but been forgotten” within the disability movement, but that’s slowly improving. “I’ve only seen that change in the last five to seven years, but it’s definitely changing, and I feel privileged to have come into this field at a time when it’s growing so quickly and opening up.”

That spark of hope motivates and challenges her to keep at her work. “It makes me work harder, because I don’t want to misrepresent the issues. There’s not a lot of literature, there’s not a lot of discourse around these issues, and so what I put out there is getting noticed,” she says.

That it is. In the last year alone, she’s published articles in the Canadian HIV/AIDS, Sexuality and Gender. She was also asked to speak at three international conferences: the International AIDS Conference in Mexico City in August 2008, The Association for Women’s Rights in Development (AWID) Forum in Cape Town, South Africa in November, and the International AIDS Conference AIDS and STIs in Africa held in Dakar, Senegal, in December. “This was the first time any of those conference programs included sessions concerning disability issues as part of their scientific tracks,” she says.

When Myroslava’s Fellowship ends this fall, she plans to start work on an MSc degree in Public Health in Developing Countries at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine in London, England. She will continue working with AIDS-Free World on a part-time basis.

When I ask what her next “dream” goal is, her answer is simple. “I hope only to stay alive, to stay active, to keep going,” she says.
Writers wanted in Kingston

A stellar roster of participants will be on hand for Kingston WritersFest, September 23-26 – four days of readings, on-stage discussions, and intimate interviews in a setting overlooking the lake at the Holiday Inn Kingston Waterfront. Be there as Newfoundland writer Michael Crummey, MA’89, reveals the inspiration for his new novel, Galore. Get the inside story as Giller Prize winner Joseph Boyden chats with poet-novelist, Steven Heighton, Artsc’85, MA’86. Spice up your lunch with literature at the daily Lunch ’n Lit readings. The festival culminates with Saturday night's SpeakEasy, a cabaret of poetry, prose, and song. Among the other well-known writers attending will be Margaret Atwood, LLD’74, Howard Engel, and Erika Ritter. From Thursday to Saturday, the festival offers half-day master classes in writing “for the stage and the page” for both emerging and seasoned writers. Check the Writersfest web site for details, festival passes, and special getaway packages for book clubs. http://www.kingstonwritersfest.ca/. For tickets, contact the Grand Theatre box office in Kingston online or at 1-800-265-1593.

Spring Reunion’10 and MiniU

Come join your classmates, professors, and other Queen’s friends for Spring Reunion’10 and MiniU’10, May 28-30, 2010. Campus is lovely in the spring. See you there!

Toronto Consulting Club news

The Toronto Consulting Club (TCC) was launched in May 2008 through the Queen’s School of Business as an initiative to bring together alumni and current MBA students who live in Toronto and are interested in the consulting field. During its short but eventful life, TCC has facilitated a speakers series, roundtable discussions, sessions on preparing for a career in consulting, and networking opportunities.

TCC introduced several top consulting firms through sessions that gave participants a wide vision of the consulting environment in Toronto and provided sound advice on case preparations.

This year, TCC has also focused on the current market conditions with discussions on topics such as “Consulting during a recession” and “Securing business in tough times”.

About 40 people attended the TCC’s most recent event, which was sponsored by National Bank Financial (courtesy of Fotios Saratsiotis, EMBA’09). The presenters talked about challenges, opportunities, “do’s and don’ts” – and a whole lot more – within the public and private sectors.

At this time, the club is busy planning a fall event to be sponsored by Deloitte Consulting. For info about that event or the TCC itself, visit the LinkedIn website under the “Toronto Consulting Club” group. You can reach us anytime at TorontoConsulting@business.queensu.ca.

Science-minded high school students

The National Technology Youth Leadership Conference is a conference for 60 bright high school students from across Canada who would like to further their education and gain hands-on experience in the fields of science, technology, entrepreneurship, and university life. The 2010 conference will be held May 4-8 at Queen’s. Professionals from the field of medicine, gene research, marketing, and more, have been invited to share their experiences through speeches and make predictions on future breakthroughs.

Students will take part in workshops in which they will practise commonly used investigative techniques, such as gel electrophoresis, and will develop critical thinking through group discussions. A multi-day challenge in conjunction with the Computing High School Academic Mentorship Program has been designed to spark friendly competition and develop the skills necessary for teamwork. On top of it all, delegates will have a chance to mingle with other highly motivated students during social activities and while staying in residences. However, this conference isn’t only interested in student participation. If you are part of an organization that would like to contribute and gain exposure to this audience, then please contact us. For more information, please visit our web site at http://ntylc.org or contact ntylc@cs.queensu.ca.
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I first learned of Bob Williams, MD’62, PhD’66, by chance the other week, while flipping through The Montreal Gazette. The first line of a death notice jumped out: “Dr. Bob Williams, of Montreal, Que., died in the Montreal General Hospital after a courageous 34 years as a quadriplegic.”

In the compressed style of newspaper death notices, this one offered but a snapshot. He grew up in Harriston, Ontario, earned a medical degree from Queen’s, went to the U.S. for advanced training in cardiovascular disease, got married, had children - and, finally, arrived at McGill University in Montreal to specialize in pediatric medicine.

All before he was 40. The charmed life of an overachiever.

 Shortly after arriving in Montreal, however, the charm fell off. He contracted an infection that left him quadriplegic.

Now, there are some of us who, when we pray, ask God, or whomever we should pray to, to grant us good fortune, or at least to preserve the good fortune we have. But it seems presumptuous to expect we should be spared the vicissitudes of fate. At some point, loss and adversity come to us all.

In matters theological I’m strictly an amateur, but if I were the praying type, I’d pray not to be spared tragedy but for the strength to survive it when it comes.

I’d pray to be like Bob Williams. Owing to the physical limitations of his full-body paralysis, he could no longer practise the kind of medicine he had trained for. So he re-trained in an area of medicine that he could practise. Five years after his illness struck, he received certification as a radiologist.

For the next 30 years or so he worked at The Children’s Hospital in Montreal, publishing papers and winning teaching awards.

After coming across this unassuming death notice, I took a peek at an online condolence book for Bob Williams.

You would never know from these remembrances that Bob Williams was quadriplegic. The only testimonial that mentions his disability is from a former student, now an eminent pediatric cardiologist, who recalled, with great affection, how, many years ago Williams taught her to listen to heart murmurs from his wheelchair.

Woody Allen has that famous line where he says that human experience is divided into the miserable and the horrible, and he defines the horrible as “you know, and blind people, crippled. I don’t know how they get through life.”

His point is that those of us who aren’t blind or crippled should be thankful we’re merely in the miserable category.

Allen is one of my favourite philosophers, but he’s really got this one wrong. Unfortunately it’s a common bias, this assumption that disability, even severe disability, is a fate worse than death.

Studies show that able-bodied folk consistently judge the quality of life of disabled people to be much lower than do disabled people themselves. We project our own fears onto the disabled. Even medical professionals commit this error and underestimate the quality of life of disabled patients.

Bob Williams had just begun his life as a husband, father, and doctor when he suffered a catastrophic reversal of fortune. Those of us who say with certainty that we personally could never endure life in a quadriplegic state should recognize that Bob Williams was not necessarily made of different, greater stuff.

A search of newspaper databases reveals not a single article about him – no news features, profiles, interviews, nothing. Even his name is conspicuously ordinary.

He chose simply to live, in both the literal and figurative sense, and if that rises to a kind of heroism, it might be one that any of us can attain, when the moment comes, as it will, when we, too, are tested.

Leonard Stern is the editorial pages editor of the Ottawa Citizen. The above article (May 16, 2009), which has been abridged, is reprinted with the kind permission of the author and the newspaper. To read the complete version of the article, please visit the Review web site www.alumnireview.queensu.ca.
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