

# Trent University Alumni Association

Annual Report 2007-08



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*Cover photo: David '66 and Anne Patterson with Alumni Director Tony Storey '71 at the Kenneth Drain Chair of Ethics announcement in October 2007.*

# President's Message

It's hard to believe that yet another fall is upon us. The leaves have started to change colour, so that means it is now time to focus on the Trent University Alumni Association's annual report.

As an Association, we have had many successes this year including an outstanding Distinguished Alumni Awards luncheon upon the Otonabee and last September's Head of the Trent celebration at Alumni House.

Events and celebrations weren't our only accomplishments this year. For the past little while, one of the Alumni Council's key tasks has been to work diligently on developing a new ten year strategic plan.

The new strategic plan presents a bold vision for the Alumni Association. Indeed, I've often said that the strategic plan can be summarized in three words: engaging, far-reaching, and ambitious! It's engaging because it clearly identifies methods to encourage different "generations" of alumni to be involved in a variety of ways. It's far-reaching because it looks ten years into the future to help guide our actions and proposes what we can do right now, as well as farther down the road. Finally, the plan is ambitious – we've tried to encompass a wide variety of activities that will be of interest to our membership. We encourage everyone to read the plan and to become involved in its implementation.

Because of the newness of the strategic plan, this year's report will be formatted differently than in the past. Instead of presenting our usual results based reports, we will show you some of the "highlights" from this past year. The results based reporting will continue next year.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the outgoing Vice President of Internal and Campus Affairs and Senate Representative Dave French, the outgoing Vice President Communications Jan Carter and our outgoing Peterborough Chapter Presidents Mike and Ingrid Nolan for their contributions over the years. Their time and commitment are greatly appreciated and their presence will be missed.

I'd also like to thank all everyone on the Council for their dedication and enthusiasm. Without our volunteers, we wouldn't be able to accomplish everything you'll read about in this report.

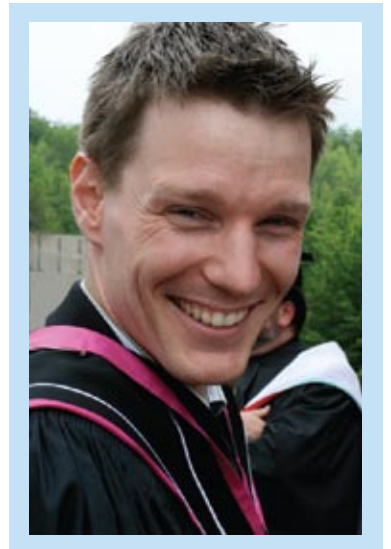
Last, but certainly not least, I'd like to thank everyone in the Alumni Affairs Office, especially Tony Storey and Kathleen Easson. Their tireless efforts and support are truly the backbone of the Alumni Association.

I know I speak for the whole Council when I say that we're looking forward to a great year ahead and we hope to see you at one of our events!

All the best,

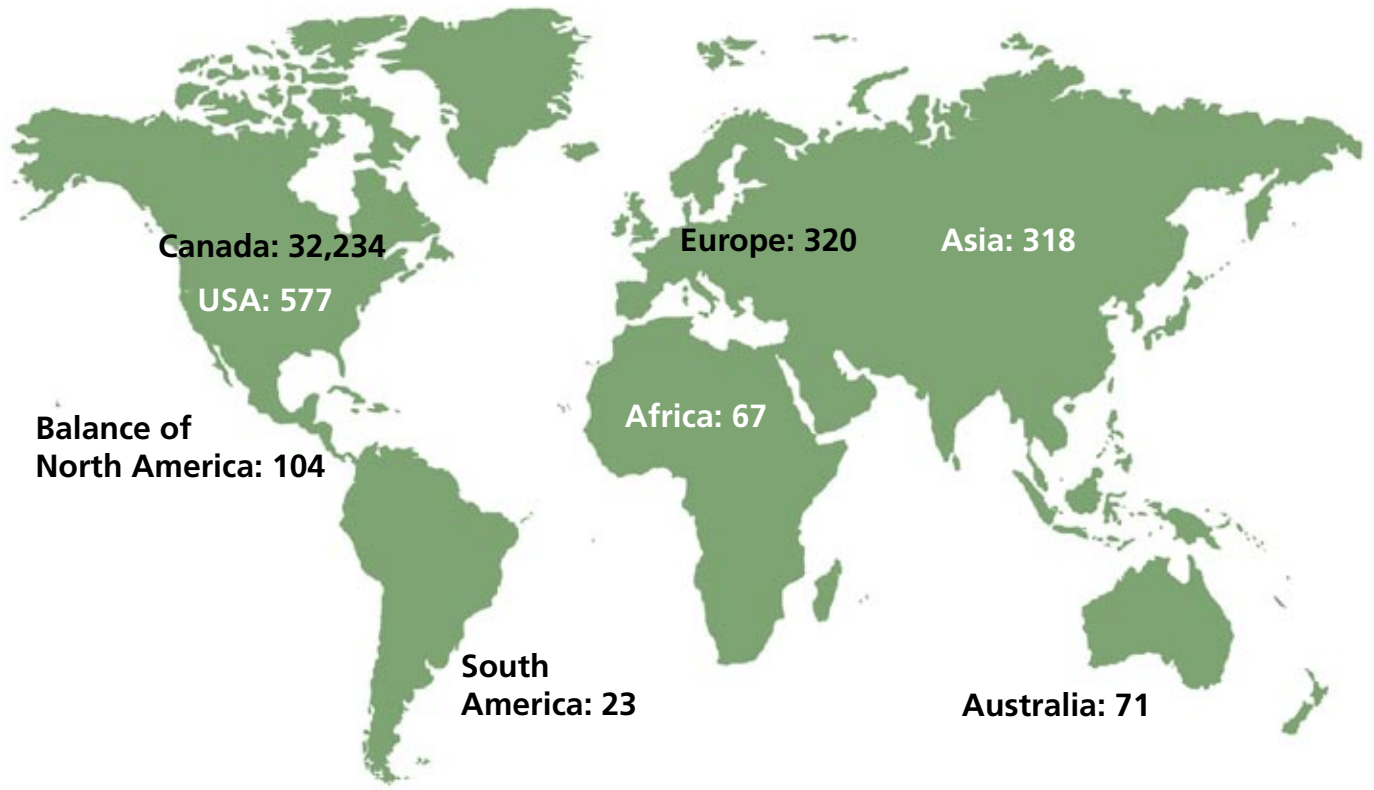
*Matt Griem '97*

President, Trent University Alumni Association



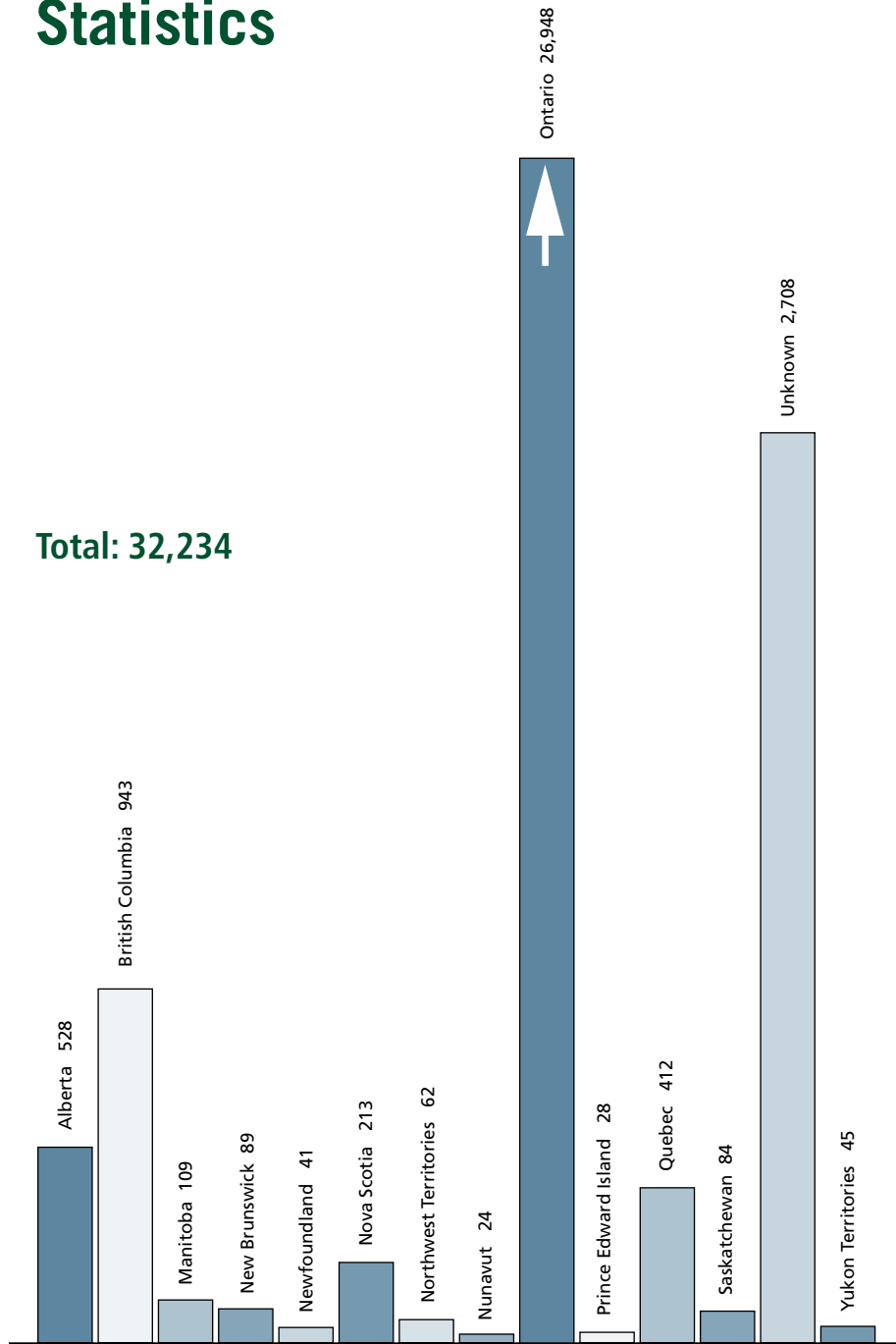
# Alumni Demographics

*Where in the world are Trent alumni?*



**Total: 33,714**

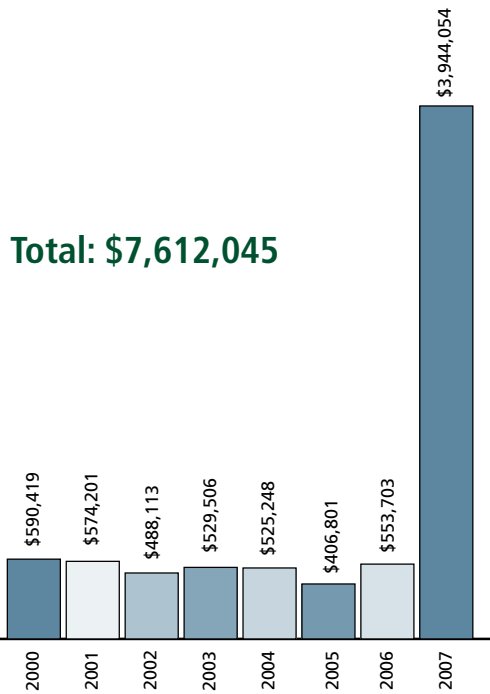
# Statistics



## Alumni by Province

*As of April 30, 2008*

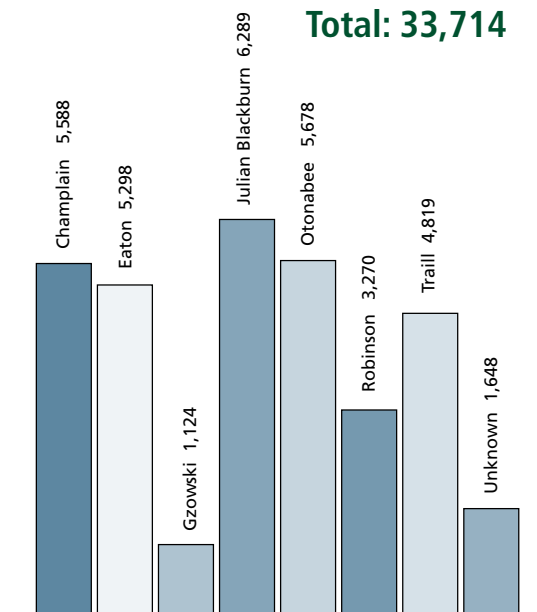
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**Total: \$7,612,045**

### Alumni Giving

*As of April 30, 2008*



**Total: 33,714**

### Alumni by College

*As of April 30, 2008*



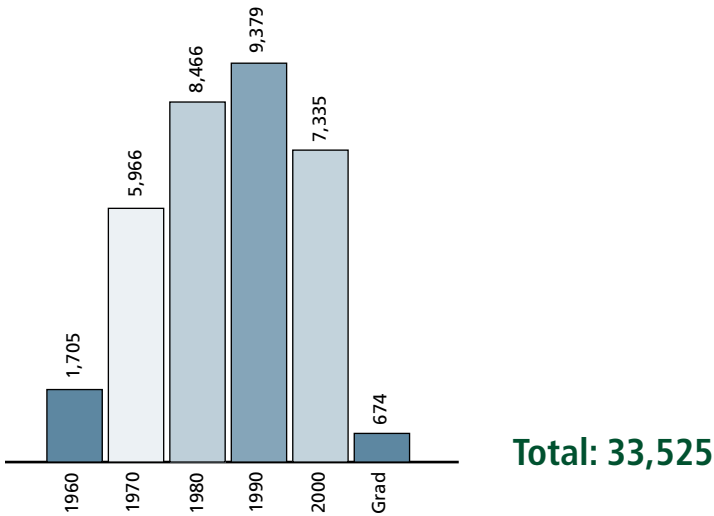
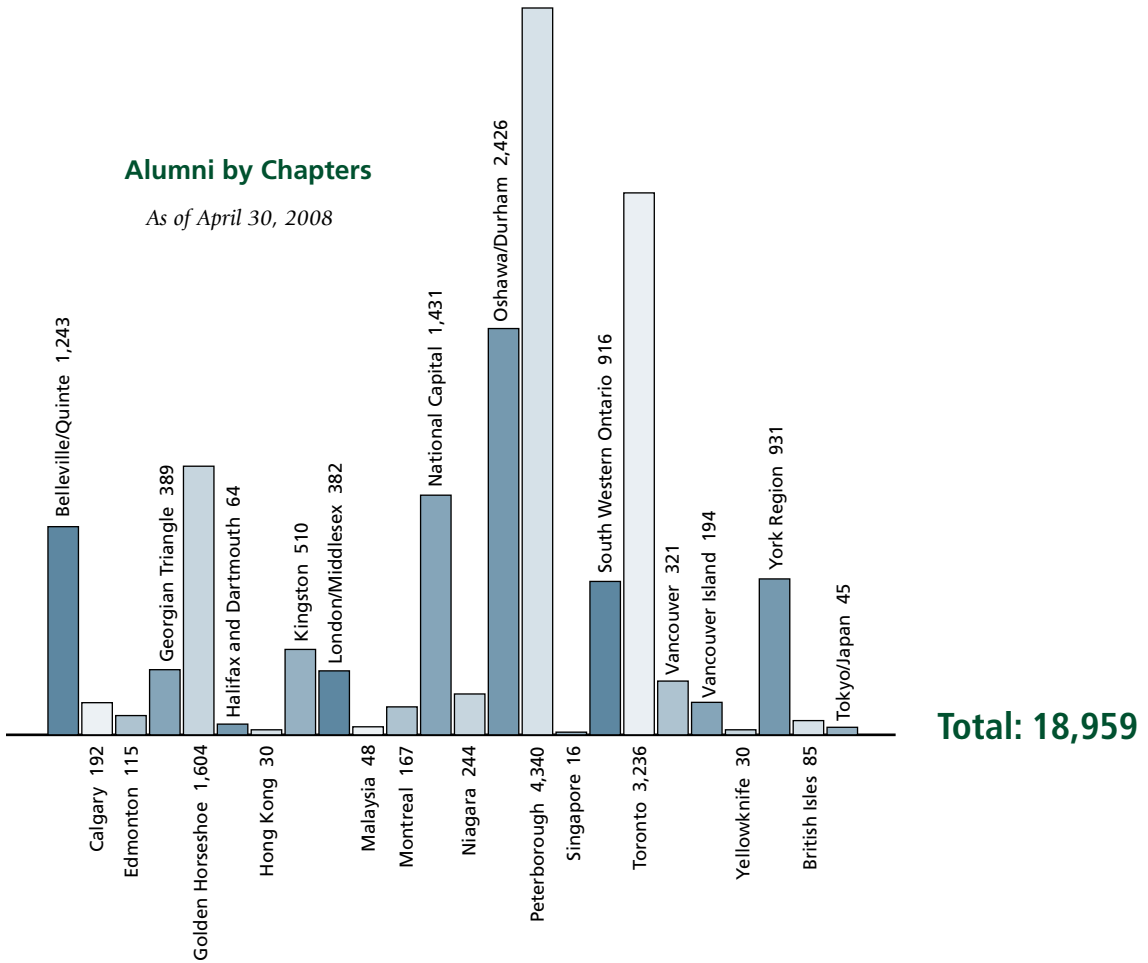
October 2007

2007-08 was the most generous year ever in the history of the Alumni Association. Alumni giving to Trent exceeded \$3.9 million, led by the inspiring generosity of David '66 and Anne Patterson (shown here with VP Dianne Lister '71 and President Bonnie Patterson.) David and Anne, along with over 30 members of the Patterson and Drain families, were instrumental in establishing the Kenneth Drain Chair of Ethics, the first endowed chair in the university's history.

## Statistics *continued*

### Alumni by Chapters

As of April 30, 2008



### Grads by Decade of Start Year

As of April 30, 2008

## Statistics *continued*

MAJOR	MAJOR DESCRIPTION	DONOR		DONOR TOTAL	NON DONOR		NON DONOR TOTAL	GRAND TOTAL
		FEMALE	MALE		FEMALE	MALE		
ADMN	Business Administration	170	222	392	474	582	1,056	1,448
AMOD	Applications of Modelling	2	1	3	11	9	20	23
ANTH	Anthropology	731	286	1,017	1,052	471	1,523	2,540
BIOL	Biology	553	456	1,009	1,175	685	1,860	2,869
CAST	Canadian Studies	168	48	216	149	77	226	442
CDST	International Development Studies	108	57	165	187	89	276	441
CHDS	Canadian Heritage	7	6	13	7	3	10	23
CHEM	Chemistry	120	158	278	208	206	414	692
CLHI	Ancient History & Classics	44	36	80	90	87	177	257
COSC	Computer Science/Studies	64	168	232	116	375	491	723
CUST	Cultural Studies	313	122	435	543	250	793	1,228
ECON	Economics	202	472	674	307	555	862	1,536
EDUC	Education	71	18	89	956	316	1,272	1,361
ENGL	English	1,538	479	2,017	2,060	701	2,761	4,778
ERCE	Environmental Science/Studies	221	273	494	485	384	869	1,363
FORS	Forensic Science				42	12	54	54
FREN	Modern Languages	360	48	408	480	81	561	969
GEOG	Geography	257	320	577	411	377	788	1,365
GLBL	Globalization	1		1	14	5	19	20
HIST	History	729	700	1,429	1,094	837	1,931	3,360
IDST	International Development Studies	4		4	97	38	135	139
LATN	Latin	2	1	3	2		2	5
MATH	Mathematics	95	102	197	111	149	260	457
METH	Methodologies	1	5	6	3	4	7	13
NAST	Native Studies	253	92	345	427	157	584	929
NURS	Nursing	7	1	8	391	14	405	413
PHIL	Philosophy	94	142	236	126	217	343	579
PHYS	Physics	20	76	96	25	84	109	205
POST	Politics	144	244	388	203	314	517	905
PSYC	Psychology	1,076	256	1,332	2,061	330	2,391	3,723
SOCI	Sociology	599	176	775	951	219	1,170	1,945
SPEC	Special Emphasis	14	4	18	63	26	89	107
TCPS	Theory, Culture and Politics				6	7	13	13
Undeclared	Undeclared	99	76	175	84	70	154	329
Unknown	Unknown	1	1	2	2	2	4	6
WEGP	Watershed Ecosystems	20	43	63	78	89	167	230
WMST	Women's Studies				43		43	43

# Alumni House Statistics

GROUP OR DEPARTMENT	FREQUENCY	NO. OF PEOPLE
Administration	5	100
Advancement	10	89
Alumni	32	699
Anthropology	3	46
Biology	1	65
Board of Governors	4	80
Career Centre	1	20
Champlain College	7	155
Concurrent Education	1	12
Continuing Ed	5	50
Dean's Office	4	115
DNA Cluster	7	121
Economics	2	110
Education	4	63
English	2	52
ESL	4	73
External Bookings	6	172
Geography	2	60
Grad Studies	1	5
Head of the Trent Group	3	50
Health Sciences	1	50
Indigenous Studies	1	15
Library	3	62
Peter Gzowski College	2	48
Physics	1	30
Politics	1	18
Psychology	1	50
Registrar's Office	2	36
Retirees	2	12
Seasoned Spoon	80	80
Sociology	1	40
Student Art Show	16	240
TIP	2	32
Year Abroad	1	30
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>2880</b>

OVERNIGHT STAYS	FREQUENCY
Alumnus-in-Residence	76
Guest from Poland	35
History Guest	5
Indigenous Studies Guest	6
Geography Dept Guest	7
Year Abroad Faculty	1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>130</b>



# Highlights



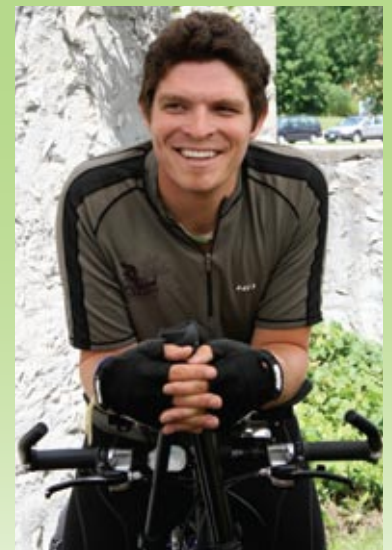
Best-selling author Linwood Barclay '73 returned to campus for the English department's Writers Reading series. The Alumni Association hosted a dinner at Alumni House which included Avril Rustage-Johnston '72 and Professor Gordon Johnston.



Inuit student Robert Aingiliq Tookoome '89 provided first-hand witness to the alarming consequences of climate change at the Oshawa/Durham Chapter panel on climate change.



Robert F. Kennedy Jr. arrived at Alumni House prior to his speech at the Peterborough Memorial Centre. Alumni from across Ontario attended the speech and a special alumni reception.



Vin Heney '03 was the featured guest at Alumni House for a charity bbq in support of his cross-Canada cycling tour in support of the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation.



Harvard professor Gordon Teskey '72 delivered the annual Alumni Lecture, "Why Study the Humanities," in conjunction with University Open House. He is in the centre, flanked by Professors Gordon Johnston and David Glassco.

# Appendix A

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## 2007-2008 Council Members and Chapter Presidents

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### TRENT UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION COUNCIL HONORARY PRESIDENT

T.H.B. Symons

### HONORARY VICE-PRESIDENT

John E. Leishman

### PRESIDENT

Matt Griem '89

### PAST PRESIDENT

Rod Cumming '87

### VICE-PRESIDENT, CAMPUS & INTERNAL AFFAIRS

David French '80

### VICE-PRESIDENT, EXTERNAL & CHAPTER RELATIONS

Lenae Dupuis '91

### VICE-PRESIDENT, COMMUNICATIONS

Jan Carter '87

### COUNCILLORS

Stephan Donald '99

Kim Fielding '98

Luann Ford '76

Francis Fung '97

Jovan Groen '01

Iain MacFarlane '95

Tom Miller '82

Dave Powrie '96

### BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

Brian Hamlin '84

Larry Popofsky '71

### SENATE REPRESENTATIVE

David French '80

### STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Scott Dempsey '03

### DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI AFFAIRS

Tony Storey '71

### CHAPTER RELATIONS & ALUMNI HOUSE COORDINATOR

Kathleen Easson '78

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### CHAPTER PRESIDENTS

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Lenae Dupuis '91 (Golden Horseshoe)

Rich Cowan '99 (Kingston)

Holly Stardom '95 (National Capital)

Maile Loweth Reeves '79 (York Region)

Caleb Smith '93 (Niagara Region)

Greg Burnett '90 (Oshawa/Durham Region)

vacant (Belleville/Quinte)

Michael '69 & Ingrid Nolan '73 (Peterborough)

vacant (Southwestern Ontario)

Joshua Mills '97 (Toronto)

Shelley Pinder '90 (Calgary)

vacant (Edmonton)

Cynthia Loveman '77 (Vancouver)

vacant (Vancouver Island)

Derrick Farnham '83 (Montreal)

Mary Elizabeth Luka '80 (Halifax/Dartmouth)

Richard Gardiner '73 (London/Middlesex)

vacant (Fredericton/NB)

Melissa Quesnelle '99 (Georgian Triangle)

Mindy Willett '88 (Yellowknife)

Gordon Copp '76 (United Kingdom)

Patrick Lam '86 (Hong Kong)

Mas Dati Samani '82 (Malaysia)

Aznan Abu Bakar '93 (Singapore)

Andrew Homer '86 (Tokyo)

# Appendix B

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## Nominations & Appointments, AGM 2008

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### EXECUTIVE

President, Matt Griem '97, 2007-09  
Past President, Rod Cumming '87  
Vice President Campus and Internal Affairs,  
Adam Guzkowski '95, 2008-09  
Vice President Communications,  
Lenaee Dupuis '91, 2008-10  
Vice President External Relations,  
Dave Powrie '96, 2008-10

### HONORARY

T.H.B. Symons, Honorary President

### COUNCIL

Amber Ashton '02  
Stephan Donald '99, 2008-10  
Kim Fielding '98, 2007-09  
Luann Ford '76, 2007-09  
Francis Fung '97, 2008-10  
Jovan Groen '01, 2007-09  
Iain MacFarlane '95, 2008-10  
Tom Miller '82, 2007-09

### BOARD OF GOVERNORS REPRESENTATIVES

Brian Hamlin '84, 2007-09  
Larry Popofsky '71, 2008-09

### SENATE REPRESENTATIVE

Adam Guzkowski '95

### STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Liam Mooney '05, 2008-09

### CHAPTER PRESIDENTS

Vancouver Island – vacant  
Vancouver – Cynthia Loveman '77  
Edmonton – vacant  
Calgary – Shelley Pinder '90  
Halifax/Dartmouth – Mary Elizabeth Luka '80  
Fredericton – vacant  
Montreal – Derrick Farnham '83  
Yellowknife – Mindy Willett '88  
National Capital – Holly Stardom '95  
SW Ontario – vacant  
Niagara Region – Caleb Smith '93  
London/Middlesex – Richard Gardiner '73  
Oshawa/Durham – Greg Burnett '90  
Kingston – Rich Cowan '99  
Peterborough – Marion Wilke Whittington '78  
Toronto – Joshua Mills '97  
York Region – Maile Loweth Reeves '79  
Golden Horseshoe – Lenaee Dupuis '91  
Belleville/Quinte – vacant  
Georgian Triangle – Melissa Quesnelle '99  
Hong Kong – Patrick Lam '86  
Malaysia – Mas Dati Samani '82  
Singapore – Aznan Abu Bakar '93  
Tokyo – Andrew Homer '86  
British Isles – Gordon Copp '76

### COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES 2007-08

Athletics Advisory – Karen Sisson '78  
Teaching Awards – Kim Fielding '98  
University Honours – Adam Guzkowski '95

June 2008

# Honouring Distinguished Alumni

The Alumni Association's affinity partner TD Insurance Meloche Monnex sponsored the Otonabee River boat cruise as part of the 2008 Alumni Awards celebration. The overall event was sponsored by ClearSight Investment Program, while the awards certificates were underwritten by IA Pacific.



The 2008 recipient of the Young Leader Award, Karin Galldin '96, is congratulated by Association President Matt Griem '97. Karin is a founder and partner in a feminist law firm in Ottawa.



Su Ditta '73 was thrilled and proud to receive the Distinguished Alumni Award for her exceptional career in Canadian arts and culture.



Professor Emeritus Peter Adams provided an informative and enjoyable tour of the geomorphology of the Trent campus and environs during the Awards boat cruise.

Anthropology professors Joseph So and Paul Healy were delighted to join the celebration as Professor Christine White '77 received the Distinguished Alumni Award for her work in bio-archeology.



Professor Emeritus Roy Edwards accepted the Distinguished Alumni Award on behalf of Arnold Dyck (MSc 1967) who was unable to travel from Vienna for the celebration.



Spirit of Trent recipient WUSC Executive Director Paul Davidson '83 is honoured by Association President Matt Griem '97 and VP Dianne Lister '71.

Right: Richard Fleming '68 ► received the Distinguished Alumni Award for his role in research contribution to the international panel on climate change, recognized with the Nobel Prize.



# Appendix C

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## Minutes of the 39th Annual General Meeting

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MEETING	39th Annual General Meeting of the Trent University Alumni Association
DATE	29 September 2007
TIME	10:30 a.m.
MEETING PLACE	Alumni House, Champlain College, Trent University
MEETING CALLED BY	Trent University Alumni Association
ATTENDEES	Matt Griem, Lenaee Dupuis, Jan Carter, Francis Fung, Tom Miller, Iain MacFarlane, Scott Dempsey, Stephan Donald, Luann Ford, Robert Stephenson, Michael Nolan, Tony Storey, Dianne Lister, Bonnie Patterson, Dave French, Dave Powrie, Jovan Groen

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### Minutes

#### 1. President's Remarks (Matt Griem)

- Agenda on page 27 of new Annual Report
- Has been an interesting year, lots of activities and we continue to do strategic planning: we now have committees with clear mandates; policies for nominations are clear; recruiting non-council members sit on committees.
- Starting to make 2-year targets, 5-year, 10-year, etc. – a final draft Strategic Plan will be presented, discussed and approved at a Council meeting. Once approved, the TUAA Strategic Plan will be made available on the Alumni website.
- Other activities: Alumni Awards Event where the new Young Leader Award was presented for the first time.

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#### 2. Minutes are in the Appendix

- Motion to adopt the minutes: Robert Stephenson.  
Second: Tom Miller.  
In favour: ...Opposition? Dave French.  
Minutes have been adopted.

### 3. Welcome from University President Bonnie Patterson

- Working on our strategic plan for 50th anniversary year, on approving that plan, the Board is conscious of one or two things: to go out to broader community ... to lead ahead (time, energy, effort) we need to be helping ourselves. Must demonstrate to the broader community how we're helping ourselves. And we're asking others to help us.
- Helping ourselves: provincial government which has taken new policy directions over last 10 years. Government doesn't easily fund capital expansion. And so we have lots of challenges: how to accommodate the growth. You have seen new buildings on campus. Challenge of older buildings and the shape they're in. Some things are falling apart. Lots of band-aids. Some sticking together. How we manage that without gov't funding is interesting. Must leverage from gov't as much we can. Second we'll help ourselves. Third we'll ask for help. We have a strategic document as to where we'll be at our 50th anniversary. Board approved facilities plan to invest \$40 m over next several years. \$50 million in philanthropic investment objective between now and 2014.
- Facilities and connecting it to today's events on campus. Look at architectural firm and approve their contract to start design to double size of athletics building and potentially add a university commons to bring together student services for campus. The Athletic Complex was built for 2,500-3,000 students, and we are at 8,000 students this year. Open space, new computer facilities, new info commons. At the same time: investing in colleges. Retool space for open and accessible for students in college system. Commitment from board to repurpose and invest \$4 million in Traill College. We will revitalize it to be a graduate college with an undergraduate presence. 3) putting another module on DNA building to expand science space. Sciences & humanities : we hired 22 new tenure-track faculty. Will expand space for Social Sciences and Education. \$42 million in financing. Plan is well on its way.
- How do we pay for this?
- University continues to operate with \$4 million structural deficit. We balanced our budget last 6 years, but make window repairs with duct tape last another year, and a few things like that. University underwent an 18-month process to define its lands. We are cash-starved and land-rich. Board developed, with help of consulting firm, and approved a master plan for use of our lands. 4 zones – campus, nature areas, buffer zones to create green space between nature areas and campus. 4th zone is endowment lands for express purpose for generating revenue to reinvest in core mission of university. There are two ways to go

about supporting this ambitious plan: philanthropically (Dianne Lister), and to develop endowment lands over a period of time. 2 projects underway: housing development and some retail development on Water street. Proposals have been put out (RFP). 10 acres on Water St. to begin to be developed over next year. Real need and interest on part of students for townhouse and shared accommodation with central space. Free up low-cost housing in community. A second project is between Locks 22 & 23, entered a public-private partnership with Peterborough public utility services to develop a green power house. That has a really important revenue flow to the university if the project goes ahead that will help contribute to capital development.

- Also underway a strategic plan to take us out for next 10 years. Our growth and research activities continue to be strong. Placement in country is 1st in class. We function in top third in our fields. We are attracting top notch faculty.
- Exciting this year: 4 new graduate programs. High calibre students. M.A. in history, cultural studies, materials science (w/UOIT) and one in public text (English). Chose Trent because professors are outstanding in their field. We have a course-based M.A. in English from last year. Incrementally introducing new programs that will see us double our enrolment. 8,000 undergrads – we will have about 600 grad students when this rolls out. Undergraduate education is still what we do foremost.
- Strategic research plan will help us through this and build this appropriately.
- Next week: announcing university's first endowed chair, made possible because of an alum.
- Ad teaser will appear – to educate people in the next week. Great campaign. Great because it's being established in the humanities, one of our core centres of knowledge.
- This year we're soft on enrolment. We're in a challenging time. Short 400 students. ¼ of those are purposeful. We're on a path of increasing quality of intake. Intensive research on student success at Trent. What helps them be ready for success. We know there's a huge drop-out factor. Very costly both to student and to us in terms of our recruitment effort. By 2014, have a firm cut-off of 75% or above. Graduate programs is 82% cut-off. Lots of support systems in place, but want to notch up our decision. Also a real challenge with local market of Peterborough. Community make up 32% of our student population. Peterborough has a real challenge: economy restructured. Participation in post-secondary rates: lowest in province. Lowest in country in fact. Only 13% of regional population

(against provincial average 22%) goes into higher education. Not just about gap in skills training, but in this community, we have a difficult challenge. Seen real slippage in young people going on, and we've lost market share. Feedback: students looking for broader program mix than we can offer. Demographic of pre-university students is dropping 10% faster than anywhere else in province. Shrinking market, low participation rate and that's a real challenge. 55% comes out of GTA. We see a hugely growing population in GTA that's going to become extremely competitive. 45,000 additional high school students looking for access in next 5 years. Will they leave GTA? Or do they want GTA-based education? Lots of work going on now in province looking at this.

- Short-term = \$1.8 million gap in our budget this year.
- U. of Windsor decided to give a housing scholarship of \$4500 to all students and picked up meal price to meet their targets. It's becoming extremely competitive.
- Matt: Bonnie attends all AGMs and Council meetings. We appreciate it.
- Tom: Local % of registration- have we lost our usual proportion? Bonnie: we'll know after Nov. 1st.
- Tom: Poor high-school students flourish here.... It would be nice to have the opportunity in student applications for those who didn't do so well but the teacher knows there's high potential? Same opportunity still? Bonnie: Under 75% entrance grades, there is dropout rate of 65%. We still bring them through the process, and through personal interview and submissions. Bonnie: we'll keep that opportunity there. Things happen. Family situations: crash and burn, etc. Also prevalent ... student can sit out a year and reapply. We have a fair number of re-admits.
- Dave: Today's 70 was yesterday's 60. It's different now. What these averages actually mean over time is interesting.
- Leneae: Is there a ranking of high schools? Bonnie: It must be blind admission process – can't legally discriminate among high schools standards
- Matt: Appreciate that there is that opportunity.

#### **4. Overview of TUAAs Annual Report**

- Continuation of last year with the results-based reporting: Internal and Campus Affairs, External and Chapter Relations and Communications
  - Internal and Campus Affairs: Highlights include increased profile of Alumni Affairs on campus mainly because of Alumni House; Alumni-in-Residence; Alumni returning to campus as experts and speakers.
  - External and Chapter Relations: Highlights include attendance at Ontario Alumni Associations Conference – providing a great networking opportunity. Trent’s Alumni Association; a number of different chapter events; development of a social networking page on Facebook
  - Communications: Highlights include access for alumni to @trentu.ca accounts; Magazine partnership with Marketing and Communications; increased email contact with Alumni through Online Directory
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#### **5. Officers of the Association and**

#### **6. Nominating Committee Report and Elections**

- See Appendix A for 2006-2007 Council Members and Chapter Presidents and Appendix B for Nominations and Appointments, AGM 2007
- All open positions have nominations President: Matt Griem, VP Internal and Campus Relations: Dave French. Councillors: Kim Fielding, Luann Ford, Jovan Groen and Dave Powrie – add Tom Miller. Two appointments: Senate Representative. Dave French will continue. Scott Dempsey has agreed to serve as the student rep this year but also to draft a policy on selection of the student rep for future years as we have never formalized that process.  
Motion to acclaim the slate as presented: Iain.  
Second: Michael Nolan.  
Nominations closed at 4:00 pm yesterday according to our constitution. All in favour: yes?  
Motion passed.

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7. Any Other Business

- Matt: thank everyone for attending. Robert is always a strong supporter. Thank Dianne for being a continued source of support for the association.
- Thanks were expressed and gifts of appreciation given to Tony Storey and Kathleen Easson for their hard work and dedication – both very appreciated by Council. Tony will be taking a medical leave starting in November and we wish him well.
- Caroline Tennant asked to address the meeting concerning the Hydro Electric project. She graduated in 1975 in English and psychology. Masters in environmental conservation. Teacher in Peterborough. Appreciate coming and being heard. Here to talk about the hydro electric power proposal for lock 22 & 23. “I do oppose it. Also here because I think Trent’s nature areas are incredibly significant and see more and more threats to them. This has forced me to get involved in alumni events. My daughter is one of the top students locally and three of her friends all chose Trent as first year students – because of the natural setting. My daughter absolutely chose it for that reason. We need to highly value the fact that it’s a natural setting. Don’t want to lose those areas. They will be highly significant as nature areas and not as vacant land to be used as something else. Willing to fundraise on behalf of the university or get alumni involved. The proposed project has seen donors withdraw their funding. Numerous alumni and faculty are opposed to this project. The university is in a tight spot for funding reductions. Most of the planning was established before Bonnie and the release of funding. Think it would be a major mistake. Not good for Trent. There are alternatives. Important to consider alternatives.” Brought some materials – she handed these out to Council.
- Matt: thanks for being patient. It’s really important for coming out.
- Lenaee: in Bonnie’s points earlier she said it was environmentally sound and green. What are the repercussions you’re seeing? Caroline: It’s a 20 acre area, trees are 150+ years old. Only remaining fragment of forest from original area, by the area. Invading species will come in. Good landscaping the company has proposed and only monitoring them for 5 years: not ideal to replace living forest and irreversible damage. Not cold, but given there are alternatives to putting turbines in area. Problems with climate change and water flow – cottagers are opposing project. Certain amount of greenwashing. You have to think of least impact on nature. There are alternatives that are more green.



*Robert Stephenson '68 congratulates Jonathan Pinto the 2008 winner of the Stephenson Award for Excellence in Student Governance.*

## Appendix C: Minutes of the 39th Annual General Meeting *continued*

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- Dianne: Bonnie has offered that VP Don O’Leary could be available to answer questions and to give university’s perspective. Can get master plan from website – 1500 acres and plan for core campus, for buffer areas and how that land will be used. That’s transparent and accessible. Caroline has a good point about people being interested. The university just opened up a John de Pencier trail through philanthropic support. John ran 25th anniversary campaign. Great love among many people for the natural areas. We’re trying to balance needs and perspectives. Lots of information in the press about this. Most recently the proposal being put in before the dominion water act, that act hasn’t been used in 50 years (or even since 1919). Complex area of law and nature stewardship. People feel very passionate for it. Don’s responsibility is to be available for questions.
  - Michael: clarification? Nature areas aren’t protected from development? What category does that bank fall in? Don’t know specifics? Where does that zoning fit in the master plan. Michael was on the board to zone those lands. The nature lands were not for development.
  - Matt: this is an issue we’ll put on next council agenda. We’ll get Don in too. The zoning all around it is to protect it. A lot of community people are against it. We’re very interested in what’s been going on around campus. This is very informative and we’ll pull information together and be a broker to put it out there.
  - No other business:  
Motion to adjourn? Lenaee.  
Second: Michael Nolan. All agreed – Motion passed.
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# Appendix D

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## AGENDA

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MEETING	40th Annual General Meeting of the Trent University Alumni Association
DATE	4 October 2008
TIME	10:30 a.m.
MEETING PLACE	Alumni House, Champlain College, Trent University
MEETING CALLED BY	Trent University Alumni Association
INVITED ATTENDEES	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. All TUAAs Members and Members of Council</li><li>2. Bonnie Patterson (President, Trent University)</li><li>3. Dianne Lister (VP External Relations and Advancement)</li><li>4. Kate Ramsay (Trent University Board of Governors)</li><li>5. Robin Lathangue (Head of Colleges, Trent University)</li></ol>

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AGENDA ITEM	PRESENTER	TIME
1. President's Remarks	Matt Griem	10 min.
2. Minutes from the 39th AGM of the TUAAs	Tony Storey	5 min.
3. Welcome from University President Bonnie Patterson	Bonnie Paterson	15 min.
4. Introduction of Robin Lathangue	Robin Lathangue	10 min.
5. Student Report	Liam Mooney	10 min.
6. Board of Governors Report	Kate Ramsay	10 min.
7. Proposed By-Law Amendments	Matt Griem	20 min.
8. Nominating Committee Report and Elections	Kim Fielding	20 Min.
9. Any Other Business	TBD	TBD
10. Adjournment	N/A	N/A

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Total Estimated Time: 100 Minutess

# 2008 Convocation



*Association President Matt Griem '97 spoke at all five Convocation ceremonies. He welcomed new graduates to the Association and touched on the accomplishments of alumni.*



*Honorary Degree recipients Natalie MacMaster and Donnell Leahy brought the Convocation audience to its feet with their musical acceptance of the honour bestowed on them.*



*David Lasenby '64 was confirmed as Professor Emeritus, following his retirement. The Alumni Association has established the Dave Lasenby Prize, to be awarded to a student contributor to the annual art show at Alumni House.*



*Chancellor Roberta Bondar and President Bonnie Patterson welcomed Honorary Degree recipient Flora MacDonald to Alumni House.*

