

in the NEWS



As events unfolded in the Union of Myanmar, formerly known as Burma, *The Globe & Mail* sought Professor Haroon Akram-Lodhi's expertise for their September 27 article entitled "Brutal Generals and Dissenting Monks."

On September 5, the CBC national radio program *The Current* interviewed Professor Tom Hutchison on the environmental impact of corn and the biofuel industry.

Professor John Milloy was interviewed by BBC radio for a segment that aired internationally on September 19 examining the residential school settlement provided by the Canadian government to First Nations survivors.

Trent alumnus Don Tapscott was featured in an article entitled "When Brain Replaces Brawn" in the October 1 edition of *The Globe and Mail*.

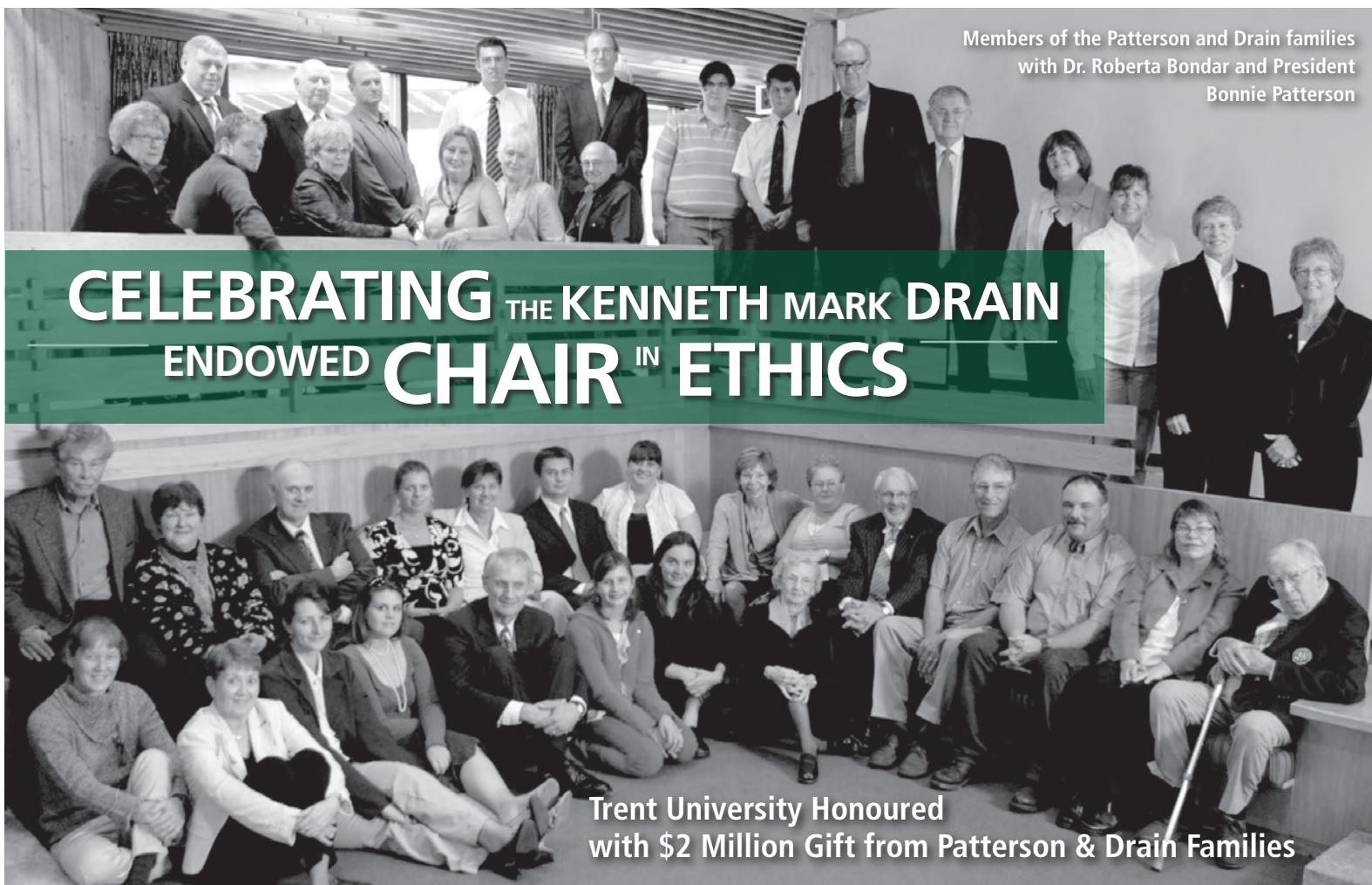


The Toronto Star published an article about the shifting consumption habits of the middle class on September 22 featuring quotes from two Trent professors, anthropologist Julia Harrison and sociologist Stephen Katz.

Canada Research Chair Professor Dennis Murray's investigation into moose migration patterns was profiled on *CBC Ontario Morning* on October 5.

On September 18, Dr. James Parker appeared as a guest on TVO's "Your Voice" on the topic of "How to Raise an Emotionally Intelligent Child."

Trent professor Asaf Zohar was featured in the September 15 edition of *The Globe and Mail* in an article entitled "Managing change: Coach them, don't boss them." ❧



Members of the Patterson and Drain families
with Dr. Roberta Bondar and President
Bonnie Patterson

CELEBRATING THE KENNETH MARK DRAIN ENDOWED CHAIR IN ETHICS

Trent University Honoured
with \$2 Million Gift from Patterson & Drain Families

Trent University celebrated a major milestone on Wednesday, October 3 with the announcement of the University's inaugural endowed chair, the Kenneth Mark Drain Chair in Ethics. Valued at \$2 million, the establishment of the chair marks the largest gift of its kind given in Trent's history.

"I know from experience that in the world of academia an endowed chair is a hallmark of teaching and research excellence, and an important underpinning of the liberal arts and sciences," said Trent Chancellor Dr. Roberta Bondar, who was in attendance at the inauguration event. "With this announcement, Trent has achieved a new standard of academic excellence."

Drain and Patterson Families

The Chair in Ethics was established by more than 20 members of the Patterson and Drain families as a tribute to the life of beloved family member Kenneth Mark Drain.

Described as "a quintessential son of Peterborough," Ken Drain lived and worked in Peterborough County all his life. He passed away on September 10, 2007 in

Peterborough, but knew of his family's intention to honour him through the creation of the Kenneth Mark Drain Chair in Ethics.

"Our Uncle Ken epitomized a man of joy, tenacity, self-sufficiency and generosity. He was an exemplary volunteer and lived a life of quiet deeds. We are honoured that his

name is now associated with the Chair in Ethics at Trent University," said David Patterson ('66), the representative for the Patterson and Drain families.

Mr. Patterson

explained that the families were interested in giving to Trent because of their deep connections to the University. "Thirteen members of our extended family have either graduated from Trent University or have taken courses at Trent,"

"Just as ethicists challenge the way we look at our world, Ken Drain led a life that forced us to stop and think of others. And just as the endowed chair will go on perpetuity, Ken's connections to community and to social justice will have left a lasting impact." – Norman Jewison

he said. "The "Trent experience" – with its outstanding teaching and research, anchored in strong social and ethical values – convinced us as a family to invest in Trent's future.

Inauguration Event

At the October 3 event, which was preceded by a by-invitation-only symposium entitled Living Ethics: Community Dialogues, President Bonnie Patterson expressed Trent's gratitude for the generous gift.

"This pace-setting philanthropic gift from our alumni and close friends will enable Trent to build upon our national and international reputation as a leader in liberal arts and sciences education," she said.

A special guest at the announcement was renowned Canadian film director and cousin to Ken Drain, Norman Jewison. In speaking of the life of Mr. Drain and the importance of this gift, Mr. Jewison said, "It is indeed a fitting tribute to have Ken Drain's name affiliated with an endowed chair that focuses on ethics and to be affiliated with such a fine university as Trent. Just as ethicists challenge the way we look at our world, Ken Drain led a life that forced us to stop and think of others. And just as the endowed

chair will go on perpetuity, Ken's connections to community and to social justice will have left a lasting impact." ❧

For more information visit
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Kenneth Mark Drain Chair in Ethics at Trent University

- The inaugural privately endowed academic Chair at Trent University
- Established by members of the Patterson and Drain families and named in honour of Kenneth Mark Drain
- At \$2 million, it is the largest gift of its kind in Trent University's history
- Transformational gift that symbolizes the launch of a new era of philanthropy for Trent University
- Celebrates Trent's commitment to the humanities and critical thinking
- Significant investment in the intellectual capital of Trent
- Will be housed within the Department of Philosophy
- Chairholder will explore ethics from multiple perspectives through his or her leadership in teaching, research and community engagement
- National or international leader in ethics will be recruited as the inaugural Chairholder
- It is anticipated the Chairholder will be announced spring 2008 and join Trent's faculty in July 2008 ❧

It is fair to say that Trent University would not exist today were it not for the extraordinary support of the Peterborough community. To honour those local individuals who excel in their fields and represent the values that make both Peterborough and the University strong, Trent launched an exciting new initiative called the Community Leaders Awards Program.



President Bonnie Patterson celebrates with recipients of inaugural Community Leaders Awards

TRENT ANNOUNCES INAUGURAL COMMUNITY LEADERS AWARDS

While Head of the Trent rowers raced along the river in the background, President Bonnie Patterson announced the creation of the new Trent University Community Leaders Awards during the second annual President's River Reception on September 29.

"This new annual awards program recognizes and celebrates outstanding individuals from the Peterborough community who have made significant contributions toward the betterment of our society," said President Patterson. "These awards are unique by honouring individuals who have made a world of difference through both their field of expertise and through community involvement. They also provide an opportunity to deepen Trent's connection with Peterborough by engaging our community in a yearly program whereby local figures are both recognized and linked to student success."

To create a lasting legacy to commemorate the contributions of these individuals, Trent University will establish an endowed student bursary in their honour. These bursaries will support Trent University students in their academic pursuits based on criteria developed by the individual Community Leaders Award winners.

"These awards provide a special opportunity for the community to express their appreciation for these great local citizens by donating to the bursaries in their name," explained President Patterson. "In this way, we hope to bring the community together to build an enduring legacy that



Mr. Wally Macht

also positively impacts the future by supporting Trent students." In recognition of the excellence embodied in each Community Leader, Trent University will begin the process to build these funds by contributing \$6,000 to the program: \$1,000 to be allocated to each of the six bursaries in our award winners' name, inspiring others to recognize these exceptional leaders, and in the process assist Trent students in need.

A selection committee comprised of local business leaders and Trent University representatives evaluated nominations and selected the winners. Award recipients must be a living past or present resident of Peterborough.



Chief Keith Knott

Community Leaders Awards were presented in six categories to the following individuals who have helped strengthen the community through their professional expertise and through community involvement.

Arts & Entertainment Awarded to Wally Macht

Mr. Macht is being recognized for his contributions a successful broadcast journalist and anchorman, and for his outstanding work as an accomplished documentary maker devoted to sharing and preserving the stories that distinguish our great community.

Athletics & Recreation Awarded to Mollie Cartmell

Trent University is honouring Mollie Cartmell for her dedication to athletics from the local to Olympic levels, as well as for her passion for community service which has had an enormous impact on the people in Peterborough and around the world.



Ms. Mollie Cartmell

Civic & Community Leadership Awarded to Chief Keith Knott

Chief Keith Knott is receiving this award for his notable contributions as a champion for First Nations people and as a highly respected leader supporting numerous community projects throughout the region.



Dr. Brian Desbiens

Education & Literature Awarded to Dr. Brian Desbiens

Renowned for his remarkable leadership within the field of education, Dr. Desbiens is also being recognized for his ability to translate this leadership across several sectors at the community, provincial and national levels.

Agriculture, Business & Industry, Awarded to The Armstrong Family

One of Peterborough's most well-established business families, Chuck and Kathy Armstrong and their sons Dave, Alan and John have



distinguished themselves as important contributors to the region's economic prosperity and dedicated supporters of community development activities.

Medicine, Science & Technology, Awarded to Dr. Jenny Ingram

Dr. Jenny Ingram is an extraordinary asset to the Peterborough community, and is being honoured both as a geriatrics expert and as someone with a unique ability to develop community healthcare capacity.



Dr. Jenny Ingram

In March 2008, Trent University will host a gala event to celebrate the successful completion of the Community Leaders Awards endowments and to pay tribute to the 2007 winners. A call for nominations for the 2008 Trent University Community Leaders Awards will be held later that spring.

The Armstrong Family: left to right, Alan, John, Chuck, Kathy and Dave

NEW ECOTRENT AND GREEN DINING PROGRAMS IN FULL SWING

Trent University is solidifying its long-known reputation as an institution dedicated to the environment with the launch of a series of new sustainability programs designed to bolster the University's environmental performance on campus.

EcoTrent

EcoTrent is an umbrella program that works on new initiatives while also promoting the environmental successes of existing programs across campus. Programs include a wide range of activities, such as recycling, composting, the Stan Adamson Powerhouse, energy conservation, green roofs, extensive natural areas, and specialty recycling for electronics, batteries, printer cartridges, cell phones, and fluorescent tubes. New for this year is the expansion of the composting program to include all five residences at Trent, and an active volunteer program to encourage student participation in greening events and activities.

Managed by Shelley Strain, the University's new sustainability coordinator, these programs provide numerous benefits to the Trent community. "Beyond the obvious benefits



Shelley Strain

of reducing Trent's environmental impact, EcoTrent is intended to educate students, staff and faculty about their role as environmental stewards," explained Ms. Strain. "Another great advantage will be the cost savings experience by the University as these initiatives start to catch on."

Ms. Strain noted that Trent has a long history of proactive environmental programs with strong participation by the campus community. "EcoTrent will help to centralize the good work currently underway and will help the University attract students who are environmentally conscious," she said.

Future initiatives under the EcoTrent banner will include working with student groups such as Sustainable Trent and the Trent University Geographic Society. With the coordinated efforts of these groups, they will be implementing programs such as the lug-a-mug program, encouraging use of china plates at campus eateries and expanding usage of the recycling program. Trent's Physical Resources Department is also looking at continuing with a program of lighting retrofits, low-flow shower heads replacements, changing remaining exit signs to LED lights, installing light occupancy sensors, plus conducting a full-scale waste audit and a complete inventory of all of the existing environmental work already underway on campus.

Green Dining at Trent

Aramark, the University's food services provider, has developed a new sustainable food project on campus to foster new connections from field to fork. Trent dining halls now feature new menus that emphasize fresh whole foods that are raised, grown, harvested and

produced locally where possible, and are prepared in ways that respect and maintain quality, freshness and pureness. In addition, Aramark is working to employ sustainable purchasing, waste management, and energy and water conservation practices to help minimize the environmental footprint of their food service operations at Trent.

The benefits are manifold: students and staff can enjoy local tastes and flavours through Aramark's seasonal menu options and local produce purchasing program, while replacing distantly-sourced food items with healthier options including organic dairy and local pasture raised meats. Throughout the year, Aramark will be inviting students and staff to partake in a number of themed meals and events including "Made in Ontario" and "200 km radius meals." They will also be providing an education component as new local sustainable foods and ingredients are found, including information on their source, and the benefits of eating seasonally, locally and sustainably, and perhaps lower on the food chain even just a few times a week.

"Trent University is already well known for its contributions to the environment, and is continuously finding creative ways of extending this in its operations while encouraging students to take a leadership role in these new programs," said Bonnie Patterson, President of Trent University. "I'm proud to see the University community as a whole embrace these sustainability initiatives and bring an ecological consciousness into their daily living, learning and working environments." ❧



Cynthia Good, one of Canada's leading publishers and literary editors, began an active roster of special events this October as Trent University's 2007/08 Ashley Fellow and as the inaugural presenter of the tenth annual Rooke Lecture series.

"I was truly honoured when asked to be Trent's Ashley Fellow this year. I still feel the pull of the academic world and always had a dream of being associated with a university," said Ms. Good, who currently directs the popular Creative Book Publishing Program in the School of Performing and Creative Arts at Humber College in Toronto. "Trent feels like a University that has an element of home for me."

As this year's Ashley Fellow, Ms. Good will be in residence at Traill College from October 2 to 18 and again for a week in late January 2008. While at Trent, she will be meeting with students and members of the Trent and Peterborough communities to speak about aspects of publishing and cultural policy in Canada.

ASHLEY FELLOW AND PUBLISHING ICON CYNTHIA GOOD

Throughout October, Ms. Good will be delivering a series of luncheon presentations for the Trent community on "An Introduction to Publishing in Canada." Part of her time will also be spent mentoring Trent students in courses in Canadian literature and culture, and in Creative Writing, as well as providing an invaluable resource for the Department of English Literature's new Masters program in Public Texts.

Starting out as an actress at the age of seven, Ms. Good began her career in publishing while in the midst of her

doctoral work in English at the University of Toronto. Hired by a small firm, Dorset Publishing, she learned the many aspects of the publishing business before moving on first to Doubleday Book Clubs as a marketing manager and then to Penguin Canada as editorial director in 1982.

Once established at Penguin, she rose rapidly through the ranks, becoming editor-in-chief in 1987, publisher in 1990, and president in 1997. At Penguin she also originated the Penguin's Canadian Program, which has grown into one of the most

successful in Canada, boasting a list of premiere Canadian writers, including: Peter C. Newman, Michael Ignatieff, Denise Chong, Timothy Findley, Mordecai Richler, Robertson Davies, Alice Munro and John Ralston Saul.

In addition to several academic awards, Ms. Good has received the Arbor Awards from the University of Toronto for outstanding volunteer service, and an honorary degree from Mount Allison University.

In addition to her role as Trent's Ashley Fellow, Ms. Good also gave the first Rooke Lecture of the series at the Peterborough Public Library on October 4. The theme for this year's lectures is "The Joy of Texts" and Ms. Good's presentation was entitled "Addicted to Reading: How Books Shaped My Life." The Rooke Lectures, which have been presented annually since 1998, honour the memory of the late Barbara Rooke, who was chair of Trent University's Department of English Literature from 1969 to 1973. ❧

About the Ashley Fellowship

The Ashley Fellowship is funded by a bequest from the late Professor C.A. Ashley, long-time friend of Trent University and an enthusiastic proponent of the role that informal contacts of college life can play in the academic pursuits of the University. The Ashley Fellows, therefore, are visiting scholars who reside at one of Trent's residential colleges for part of the year, delivering lectures and meeting with faculty and students.





Trail College Featured at Doors Open

Approximately 500 visitors toured the hallowed halls of five historic buildings at Trent University's Trail College as part of Doors Open Ontario 2007. Held on Saturday, September 29, Doors Open Peterborough, currently in its sixth year, provided members of the community the opportunity to tour local landmarks. At Trail, Langton House, Crawford House, Kerr House, Bradburn House and Wallis Hall were featured.

Thousands Attend Head of the Trent

Trent University's signature homecoming event and rowing regatta, the Head of the Trent, drew thousands of alumni, students, community members and rowers from across the country to campus when it was held September 28 to 30, 2007. More than 2,000 rowers, some from as far away as British Columbia and Nova Scotia, raced along the Trent-Severn waterway from the Parkhill Bridge to Symons Campus. The Head of the Trent, an annual event, is the largest single day event of its kind in North America.

Highlights of this year's Homecoming festivities included alumni soccer and volleyball games, a barbecue, children's

activities, and several new features, such as the change of location for Homecoming festivities to Alumni House, the Trent Family Art Show, exhibiting select pieces of art created by the Trent community, and the launch of Professor Emeritus Peter Adams' new book, *Trent, McGill and the North* in Alumni House. All proceeds from Prof. Adams' book will go towards a new student bursary at Trent and will be matched by the OTSS program.

New Video Conferencing Facility at Trent

Trent University is pleased to announce that its new AccessGrid video conferencing facility is up and running. The new AccessGrid system can be used for taking or teaching graduate courses in partnership with other institutions, disseminating research to colleagues at other institutions, participating in research seminars, and receiving training in high performance computing. This installation is part of Trent's partnership with the SHARCNET high performance computing network. On October 2, a virtual Open House was held with universities across Ontario to celebrate the launch of the new facility.

Landmark Trent Study

Trent University Professor Holger Hintelmann and a team of international scientists have published the results from a landmark new study which revealed that freshwater fish can recover quickly when mercury levels in the environment are decreased. The first synthesis of results from the Mercury Experiment to Assess Atmospheric Loading in Canada and the United States (METAALICUS) study will be published in the *Proceedings of the Academy of Natural Sciences*. The breakthrough study shows experimentally that by regulating atmospheric mercury emissions to bring down the amount of the mercury coming back in rainfall, there will be a definite and timely effect on fish mercury concentrations. This has been very difficult to sort out using previously available data.



Alumni Golf Tournament Raises \$13,000 for Bursaries

Led by Trent University President Bonnie Patterson, Chancellor Roberta Bondar and Board Chair Reid Morden, a group of 62 Trent alumni, faculty, staff, university suppliers and retired colleagues gathered at the Port Hope Golf Club for the Annual Alumni Golf Tournament on Saturday, September 15. The tournament generated \$6,500 for the Wilson bursary, which is matched by the Ontario Trust for Student Support (OTSS). One of the day's highlights was a hole-in-one by new graduate Rob Wolff. The tournament winners were Kevin Crux, Rick Brown, Doug Parker

and Steve MacDonald. Next year's tournament will be held September 13, 2008 in the same location.

New Academic Prize Honours Retiring Prof David Page

More than 100 people gathered in the Guildhall at St. John's Church on September 7 to celebrate the remarkable career of Professor David Page and to take part in a special presentation naming a new academic prize at Trent in his honour. The David Page Prize in Latin is to be awarded to the top first-year student in Latin 100, and is currently endowed with over \$4,200. Renowned for his teaching expertise with the Department of Ancient History and Classics, Professor Page was very active and involved over his 39 years at Trent. A former head of two colleges, a dedicated instructor in both Latin and Roman History, and the winner of numerous teaching awards, Professor Page has inspired thousands of students over his tenure.

Living With Land Mines Portrait Exhibition

For one week in September, Trent University's Bata Library was home to a provocative new exhibit entitled *Living with Land Mines*. Developed by renowned photographer V. Tony Hauser, *Living with Land Mines* is an exhibition of 16 life-size portraits of Cambodian children who have suffered the effects of land mines. Trent University was the first stop in Ontario for this exhibit. In conjunction with the exhibition, Trent hosted a public panel discussion on land mines on Wednesday, September 12. Panelists included the photographer, V. Tony Hauser, Jean Devlin Manager, Peace, Security and Mine Action at CIDA, and Trent professors Haroon Akram-Lodhi (International Development Studies), Jim Jury (Physics), and Van Nguyen-Marshall (History).



School of Education Hosts 20th Annual Pen Pal Day

On Thursday, October 4 over 300 students from Trent University met their public school-aged penpals for the first time. The annual "Meet Your Penpal Day" is a significant part of the Penpal program at Trent, which matches university students with children in Grades One through Three at four local schools, including: Curve Lake First Nation School, Roger Neilson Public School, Otonabee Valley Public School, and Keith Wightman Public School.

UPCOMING events

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October 17: Annual Career Fair, 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Gzowski College Atrium.

October 17: "Publishing in Canada" lecture with Cynthia Good, former President and Publisher of Penguin Books Canada and Trent's Ashley Fellow for 2007-2008, Traill College Senior Common Room, 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Contact Wendy Scammell at 748-1736 to reserve space.

October 19-21: Theory, Culture and Politics Graduate Student Conference, "Renderings"; Traill College. www.trentu.ca/theorycentre/conferences_renderings.php

October 25-28: Trent Model United Nations Society annual conference, Wenjack Theatre, Otonabee College.

November 1: Writers Reading with poet and novelist John Steffler, LEC Pit, 8 p.m.

November 5-8: Ryle Lecture Series, Nancy Fraser, Henry A. and Louise Loeb, Professors of Philosophy and Politics at the New School for Social Research in New York. All lectures begin at 8 p.m. The lecture series' overall theme is "Abnormal Justice."

November 14: 18th Annual Margaret Laurence Lecture with acclaimed writer Eden Robinson, 8 p.m., Gzowski College, Room 117.

November 14: Writers Reading with Teresa Toten, noted author of children's literature and young adult fiction, Room I-110, Gordon Willey Building, UOIT, Oshawa, 7 p.m.

November 15: Writers Reading with Teresa Toten, Otonabee College, 8 p.m. ☞

Trent Students Volunteer at Children's Water Festival

Over 120 Trent University students headed to Haliburton over a week in September to volunteer at the Haliburton-Muskoka Children's Water Festival to educate grades three to six students about the importance of water conservation, protection, technology and ecology. Comprised of university students taking Professor Stephen Hill's Environment and Resource Science 100 course at Trent, these students elected to volunteer at the festival as part of an assignment he designed to help them understand how people learn about the environment. ☞



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