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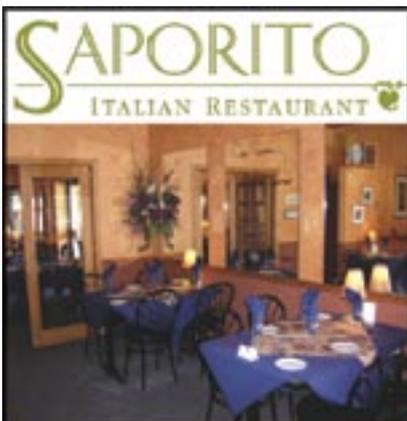
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# Adventures in Learning

**I**n my early days as a student at Trent I was invited, along with several others, to tea at Professor Symons' house. He was genuinely interested in our backgrounds and experiences, and assured us that we would find Trent well-suited to our interests. I can't remember why we were deserving of such an honour, but I do remember being astounded that the founding president would have the time and desire to chat with a group of anonymous neophytes. But then, this was Trent.

All of the reasons that led me to Trent in the first place would continue to be validated over the next years. I could not hide in my French poetry class as there were only seven of us gathered around the table. I began practice teaching in public schools right from year one as the Concurrent Education program was determined that I make the right choice about a career in education. I soon learned that anonymity was not an option when professors insisted I be aware and take advantage of enriching opportunities such as the Year Abroad program and community service activities through the Trent International Program. I even found a home at the Athletic Complex. Because of its welcoming and inclusive atmosphere, I was soon a regular squash player and swimmer; something that would have stunned my high-school Phys Ed teacher. The people at Trent did not place themselves on some high pedestal that students were expected to scale; they made the journey alongside us, and this made all the difference.

I attended Trent some thirty years after its modest beginnings, and the vision of its founders was still very much in evidence during my years there. The initial discussions of Tom Symons' Academic

Planning Committee in the early sixties emphasized collegiate life, a steadfast commitment to small-group teaching, and a recognition of the value of a strong undergraduate program. This last concept was rather unconventional for the times, but the founders of Trent held fast to their belief that education is a life-long endeavour that should be open to all. Even the motto, *Nunc cognosco ex parte*, ("Now I know in part" - from 1 Corinthians 13) proposed by Moffat Woodside in 1963, suggests that learning is a continuous adventure, not a pursuit to be mastered. As a student, I was struck by the humility of Trent's motto and have since adopted these words as the unofficial maxim of my own classroom in order to ease some of the stress caused by the increasing pressure to succeed, and to encourage the pursuit of knowledge for knowledge's sake.

The early vision for Trent forged by Tom Symons and his colleagues has not been dulled. At the official Opening Ceremonies for Trent in 1964, Professor Symons quoted Henry Adams, who said, "A teacher is for eternity. One can never tell where his influence ceases." How true. **T**

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## Looking to the Future

and **Ian Tamblin '67** for their outstanding contributions to their professions, to their community, and to Trent University.

We also celebrated the achievements of **Dalal Al-Waheidi '98** and **Darren Murphy '96**, who were awarded the inaugural Trent University Alumni Association Young Leader Award, and **Robert Condon '69**, who received the Spirit of Trent for his years of service to Trent University.

Later in June, **Robert '68** and **Nancy Stephenson** hosted a reception for the past winners of the Robert W.F. Stephenson award demonstrating excellence in student governance while at the same time welcoming this year's current winner, **Scott Dempsey '03**.

In each case, the alumni and students mentioned above have used their Trent education to make a difference in the world, building bridges, creating opportunities, and helping others.

In another respect, the growth of membership of the Alumni Association has also given us reason to pause and "take stock" of things. In mid-June, the Alumni Council held its annual retreat to begin the process of establishing a new 10-year strategic plan. With facilitation by fellow alumnus and former Alumni Association president **John Butcher '67**, the Council had the exciting opportunity to envision the future of the Association as Trent approaches its 50th anniversary and outline some key initiatives to make this vision a reality.

Some of the areas of discussion over the course of the weekend in Peterborough included continued and enhanced ways to support Trent students and alumni, celebrating Trent's heritage and history, reaching out to alumni throughout Canada and internationally

through our Chapters, and actively engaging alumni association membership.

As we head toward our Annual General Meeting and Alumni Reunion Weekend in the fall, please take a moment to look for the plan on our website – there will be many opportunities to get involved!

We'll be looking for your help to ensure that the Alumni Association continues to be a strong, vibrant, and successful part of the Trent Community! [T](#)

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Every year in June, the Alumni Association welcomes a new group of graduates to the ranks of Trent Alumni, and to date, over 30,000 people have become Alumni Association members.

However, this past June we hit a milestone when the largest group of graduates in the University's history walked past the Bata Library podium to receive their degree (and requisite handshake from Chancellor Roberta Bondar!). In total, over 2,150 undergraduate and 49 graduate degrees were granted. It was also the first time the University graduated students in the Trent-Fleming Forensic Science program and the Canadian Studies PhD. Program. To put this number in perspective, Trent's original graduating class exactly 40 years ago was approximately 89 people.

So what does this growth of membership mean for the Alumni Association?

For one, it has given us a reason to celebrate. I would argue that the world needs more of Trent University—and its students and alumni have continually demonstrated why. In May 2007, the Association held its second annual Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner, honouring **Richard Johnston '64**, **Stephen Stohn '66**,



PRESIDENT BONNIE M. PATTERSON

Trent has been thriving with activity this past summer. Hosting the successful Under-19 Women's World Lacrosse Championships in August provided a wonderful opportunity to showcase Trent's new stadium and athletic fields to the world, facilities that were made possible by our students' choice to invest in them. This event was a significant milestone, not only for Trent but also for the country, as it marked the first time an international women's lacrosse championship had ever been held in Canada. It was a proud moment to see Trent at the centre of it all, bringing the world together in the shared pursuit of excellence.

This is one of the same core values enshrined in Trent's vision statement, the guiding philosophy that will shape the University as it heads toward its 50th anniversary in 2014.

This vision focuses on developing a learning environment, inside and beyond the classroom, which ensures that the individual student is knowledgeable, thinks critically, is socially conscious, and is prepared to make a difference in society. Within the strategy for Trent through to 2014, there are numerous benchmarks against which we will measure our pursuit of excellence. Without sounding trite, the Trent experience will be distinguished by the opportunity for students to be taught in person by world-class faculty in a liv-

## The Pursuit of Excellence

ing and learning community that provides extraordinary leadership development opportunities and enriched access for all students to diverse extra-curricular and co-curricular activities. That is but one of 15 distinguishing characteristics we have established for ourselves.

To support this vision, which was approved by the Board of Governors on June 21, the Board also approved a Philanthropic Framework for the future and a Facilities Renewal and Development Strategy. It was a historic day in Trent's development and direction toward the future.

With input from students, employees, alumni, and donors, the plan will see a \$42.4-million investment in facilities over the next four years, primarily focusing on enhancing the quality experience for Trent students and capitalizing on new provincial capital funding for the expansion of graduate studies.

Addressing the most pressing needs in Trent's existing facilities will give our students some much-needed elbow room. Highlights include revitalizing and doubling the space in our 30-year-old Athletics Complex in order to offer new and improved facilities for Trent students and for members of the surrounding Peterborough community. The Symons campus will also see the construction of new social science and Teacher Education program space, new science facilities with an addition to the DNA Building, and major renovations to the first and second floors of Bata Library.

The plan also identifies the expansion of graduate studies programming as a key priority, both at Traill College and on the Symons campus. We anticipate that Trent's graduate student enrolment will double from approximately 230 in

2007 to more than 500 by 2014. The growth of Trent's graduate programs will play a determining role in supporting the continued evolution of Traill as a primarily graduate studies college.

The vision statement, the strategic directions plan through 2014, and the facilities plan and philanthropic framework represent the three completed elements in Trent's five parallel planning processes that began a year and a half ago. Currently underway is the development of Trent's strategic research plan, to be completed this fall.

Key to Trent's success academically will be the implementation of a sustainable financial model that will provide the necessary funding to achieve success in each strategic planning area. Collectively these plans lay the foundation for a dynamic future for Trent, one that strategically positions the University on a national and international scale, capitalizing on our unique attributes: the centrality of the individual student, a rich environment for teaching and research, an internationalized campus infused with engaged minds focused on success and the betterment of the world around us, and a culture of support for learning and innovation.

The quest for excellence has underpinned this integrated planning process at Trent, and I extend my greatest appreciation to all alumni and members of the Trent community who have shared their creative and passionate contributions for the benefit of the future of this great university. **T**

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# Canada on Display: Trent's History Department Honours Its Leading Scholars

BY BRITTANY CADENCE '89

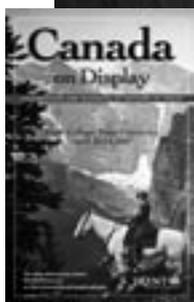
The legacy of historical scholarship at Trent University was celebrated during a special two-day conference in April entitled "Canada on Display." Held on April 13 and 14, the conference was hosted by the Department of History to recognize the remarkable contributions of Professors John Jennings, Elwood Jones, and Dale Standen, who either have retired or are about to retire from Trent after lengthy and distinguished careers with the University.

"This event honours the 'second century' of history studies at Trent," stated session chair **Jamie Benidickson '67**, noting that the combined careers of Profs. Jennings, Jones, and Standen total nearly 100 years of teaching.

Each of the 23 session chairs and presenters during the conference were Trent alumni, and collectively their papers showcased the exceptional contribution made to the study of Canadian history over the years by Trent University professors and their former students. Each session featured three to four presentations that tied together the academic concerns of Profs. Jennings, Jones, and Standen, who are interested in questions relating to museums, archives, and the public display of history.

"Canada on Display" revealed how extensively Trent history alumni have influenced the field, with additional speakers representing universities and significant historic institutions from around the world, including Pitt Rivers Museum in Oxford, England, the University of Victoria, the Winnipeg City Archives, and Queen's University.

Highlights of the conference



Trent's newest member of the history department, **Prof. Chris Dummit '92** with founding history chair, **Professor Alan Wilson**.

included Trent Research Associate **Nancy Christie's '76** interpretation of the nineteenth-century Canadian family as a site of both male and female agency, and not just as a patriarchal institution; and the unique story of how William Mackenzie King's famous diaries were nearly lost, which was unravelled by Professor **Christopher Dummit '92**, who will join the Trent History Department this July from the University of London. The fascinating biographies of twentieth-century social worker Jane Wisdom and Depression-era journalist Violet McNaughton were profiled respectively by Professor **Suzanne Morton '80** of McGill and Professors **Marg Hobbs '75** and **Sue Wurtele '83** of Trent.

In perhaps one of the most memorable sessions of the conference, Professor **Bill Waiser '71** from the University of Saskatchewan delivered a passionate presentation arguing for historians to take advantage of television and other popular media to tell Canada's history more effectively to wider audiences. Prof. Waiser is the host of a popular local history program on CBC TV

in Saskatchewan called "Looking Back." He illustrated the way history can be told in compelling ways without sacrificing historical accuracy by airing an episode profiling the heart-wrenching experiences of Depression-era family Ted and Rose Bates. Driven to financial destitution, the couple decided to end their lives as well as that of their only son; however, only their son died in the attempt. Ted and Rose Bates were then brought up on murder charges, only to have the community rally to their defence. Residents throughout the small town amassed what little money they had to hire one of Saskatchewan's best lawyers, who managed to secure an acquittal for the couple. This remarkable account of prairie community spirit underscored the importance of conducting skilful research while using the media to present powerful moments in history.

With more than 70 people in attendance, "Canada on Display" represented a unique milestone for Trent as both established and new history professors gathered to honour this symbolic "changing of the guard" as Trent prepares for its 50th anniversary in 2014. **T**

# Trent Tunesmiths Play Homecoming Weekend

BY TERRY MCDONALD '89

**N**o, says Trent grad **Steve Kennedy '96** with a laugh from his Kingston-area home, the band's name is not meant to be risqué.

Rather, he explains, his roots trio's moniker was inspired by one of Stephen Fry's utterances in the *Blackadder* Brit-com. "We heard 'Bolt all the doors; hammer large pieces of crooked wood against all the windows!' and that was it," shares Steve. He and bandmate **Chris Murphy** reasoned that *Crooked Wood* fit, because they played acoustic instruments made out of—what else?—bent lumber.

The pair spent their formative years in a small town, Sydenham, Ontario, training their ears to classic folk music. "Chris and I were nerds in high school in terms of the music we listened to. We had a drama teacher who introduced us to **Eric Bogle**. There would be a lot of nights spent in basements with his music playing." They officially founded the band in 2004, and became a trio when **Jon McLurg '02**—who attended Trent in 2002 and just happened to have become Chris's brother-in-law—joined the band in 2005.

Although Steve recalls that his main creative outlet during university was performing in Trent's Classics Drama Group, Peterborough's place in Canadian music history was often in his thoughts when he lived in the city. "There were rumours that [music icon] **Stan Rogers '68** had audited courses at Trent, and I thought about him walking around Peterborough." Singer-songwriter **Willie P. Bennett's** association with Peterborough added to the mystique as well.

Of course, *Crooked Wood's* work in recent years has brought them into the sphere of their



*Crooked Wood will be performing at the Alumni House Homecoming Festival in conjunction with the Head of the Trent Regatta on Saturday, Sept. 29, 2007. Look for the new Alumni tent gathering space directly north of Alumni House, Champlain College.*

idols. A career highlight, so far, has been playing at the 2005 Mariposa Festival in Orillia, where they shared the bill with **Gordon Lightfoot**, **Tom Cochrane**, **Sarah Harmer**, and **David Francey**. "Our name is on the same T-shirt as theirs. For that brief, shining weekend, we felt like their contemporaries," Steve relates.

The group's calendar is full these days, between their performances and their day jobs. (Steve is on parental leave from his career as an elementary teacher, assisting wife **Tara Plumadore '95** after the arrival of their third child.) *Crooked Wood* is a regular on the house concert circuit and at the *Waring House* resort in Picton. They're looking forward to playing *Amherst Island Lodge* in November, but their most anti-

pated gig is Saturday, September 29, 2007, at this year's Head of the Trent weekend.

"It sounds like it's going to be great," Steve enthuses. And while bandmate **Chris Murphy** might not be a grad, he's not unfamiliar with Trent's homecoming ritual—with both his wife **Heather McLurg-Murphy '93** and father **Don Murphy '72** being alumni. For his part, **Jon McLurg** has paid his own musical tribute to Trent in one of the songs he penned, which features *Bata Library's* rooftop. The song will likely be on the playlist—along with "Canadian Musician," their most requested composition, which captures the travails of the modern troubadour. To sample their tunes and track their upcoming appearances, visit [www.crookedwood.ca](http://www.crookedwood.ca). **T**

# Teaching Excellence Shines at Trent University

BY KATHRYN VERHULST-ROGERS

In May 2007, the recipients of this year's prestigious teaching awards were recognized at a ceremony at Alumni House. In addition to the Symons Award for Excellence in Teaching and the CUPE Award for Excellence in Part-time Teaching, two new awards were presented this year: the Distinguished Teaching Award for Educational Leadership and Innovation in Instruction, and the Distinguished Teaching Award for Excellence in Teaching Assistance.

## 30th Annual Symons Award for Excellence in Teaching

The Symons Award for Excellence in Teaching is Trent University's most prestigious teaching honour. Established in 1976, the award is presented annually to a faculty member who displays exemplary teaching, as well as concern for students. This is the 30th year that the Symons Award for Excellence in Teaching has been conferred.

This year's award was presented to Dr. Ivana Elbl, associate professor in Trent's Department of History, during the 2007 spring convocation ceremonies.

Prof. Elbl, whose methods and nature truly make her students reach their full potential and do nothing but their best, was delighted to receive notice of this distinction. Prof. Elbl said, "I hardly can find the words to say how much it means to me to be the 30th recipient of the Symons Award. It will always be one of the defining moments of my life. The Symons Award resonates deeply in the Trent community. In many ways, it embodies the spirit of Trent. It reflects the intangible principle that underscores Trent's record of excellence and makes the University so special."



From left to right: Brent Wood '91, Marg Hobbs '75, Ivana Elbl, John Breukelaar MSc. '83 and Mary-Jane Pilgrim.

## Distinguished Teaching Award for Educational Leadership and Innovation in Instruction

To give recognition to other areas of instruction, especially to the introduction of innovative methods in teaching and leadership in promoting an enhanced learning environment, Trent University has awarded the first ever Distinguished Teaching Award for Educational Leadership and Innovation in Instruction jointly to Professor Margaret Hobbs '75 and Mary-Jane Pilgrim.

In addition to her teaching role within the Women's Studies Program, this award also recognizes Prof. Hobbs' connection with communities, and with feminist and social justice movements. Facilitating a link between community-based research and education, Prof. Hobbs' students have produced some invaluable research for numerous local organizations.

The second award recipient is Mary Jane Pilgrim, a WebCT/eLearning Administrator with Trent's Information Technology (IT) Department. Ms. Pilgrim is recognized for her work with WebCT. Currently, 32 departments across the University are using WebCT

in one or more courses, servicing 7,802 students.

## Distinguished Teaching Award for Excellence in Teaching Assistance

The Distinguished Teaching Award for Excellence in Teaching Assistance acknowledges the contributions of academic assistants, and those who assist in workshop, tutorial, seminar, laboratory, and field settings.

The inaugural winner of the Distinguished Teaching Award for Excellence in Teaching Assistance is John Breukelaar (MSc. '83), a senior demonstrator in the Department of Physics and Astronomy. Mr. Breukelaar is recognized for his in-classroom work with all levels of undergraduate students.

His nominators noted that Mr. Breukelaar is deserving of the recognition because of "his incredible knowledge and love of the topic, and even more so, for his friendly disposition, and incredible ability to create a warm classroom atmosphere."

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# Wendy Tadros '75: Planes, Trains, Boats & Pipelines

BY TERRY MCDONALD '89

As you slip on your headphones during your next plane journey and absentmindedly flip through the pages of your in-flight reading, you'll have the luxury of peace of mind thanks to Trent grad **Wendy Tadros (née Wardman) '75**, Chair of the Transportation Safety Board of Canada (TSB), and her colleagues.

Armed with a degree in history and philosophy from Trent and a law degree from the University of Western Ontario, Ms. Tadros articulated at a small Toronto firm in the early 1980s, finding herself swept into the work associated with the city's wild real estate market. "It was exciting but it wasn't the work that I wanted to do for a career. I had just enough of a taste to know that's not what I wanted to do," she shares.

But in the midst of the housing boom, the labour market was close to bust. "There was a 50 per cent unemployment rate for those of us called to the bar that year," she recalls. "It seemed natural to look for work in the federal government." She soon landed in legal services at the Canadian Transport Commission (CTC), which dealt primarily with economic regulations but had a small body that dealt with rail safety investigations.

She had her first experience of delving into the circumstances surrounding an accident when she served as the CTC's legal counsel at the commission of inquiry called to investigate the Hinton train collision disaster. The experience "sort of planted the seed." She admits, however, to always being fascinated by transportation. Both her grandfather and great-grandfather worked as CP Rail engineers. Her father broke with the family tradition and joined the Air Force



*Wendy Tadros '75, Chair of the Transportation Safety Board of Canada*

## *The Swissair Flight 111 investigation remains a landmark case for the TSB.*

as a navigator. (He served on a Hercules as part of the evacuation of Saigon.)

Various management roles followed her stint at CTC. Eventually, she was appointed as a member of the TSB in 1996, and first served as acting chair in 2005 before being appointed chair in 2006.

For Ms. Tadros, the Swissair Flight 111 investigation remains a landmark case for the TSB. The crash, off Peggy's Cove, took 229 lives, and the investigation took more than four years to complete. Recovering the aircraft from the bottom of the ocean took one year,

with the effort impeded by currents and the scattered wreckage field. Despite the challenge, the investigators' efforts yielded the recovery of 98 per cent of the aircraft by weight. The ultimate result of this effort was to find the cause of the crash, and to ensure that no flight would experience such a failure again.

Finding these solutions keeps Ms. Tadros engaged. "It's intellectually stimulating," she confides. "I think we have some of the most professionally skilled and talented people in the Public Service. Working with them day in and day out, I'm just amazed."

She has similar observations about the Trent grads she met at a recent Trent Alumni event in Ottawa. "They were all engaged and interesting. That's the thing about Trent. It's all made up of people with questioning minds." **T**

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### **CUPE Award for Excellence in Part-time Teaching**

The CUPE Award was established to honour the work of part-time faculty within the Trent Community. This year's recipient is **Professor Brent Wood '91**, an instructor in the Department of English Literature.

In his nominations, students consistently referred to Prof. Wood as "enthusiastic," "encouraging," and "engaging." They described his technique of linking the material read in class to popular culture and media as being very helpful. They also described the rapport Prof. Wood has with his students and the interest he showed in his students inside and outside of the classroom. **T**

## Important Notice for all Alumni

# Trent University to publish 2008 Membership Directory

**T**rent University will be publishing an Alumni Directory in 2008. We will be collaborating with Harris Connect Inc., an alumni directory specialist located in the United States, who assisted us in both 1991 and 1996.

Your privacy is important to us. Both the Alumni Association Council and the university were closely involved with selecting Harris Connect as the trusted and experienced directory supplier. The university reviewed both the contract and the safeguards for alumni personal information during this process. You will be given an opportunity to indicate your participation preferences during the directory production process.

The last directory was purchased by many alumni as a very useful resource for seeking out old friends, learning about careers of alumni and seeing where alumni live around the world.

Beginning in March 2008, questionnaires are being sent by e-mail and mail to all contactable members to update and verify your profile for inclusion in the directory. The directory will be sorted into easy-to-use sections, and to make networking straightforward, we will be including residence and business information, as well as e-mail addresses. When contacted, please take a few moments to verify that we have complete and accurate information. The new 2008 Trent University Alumni Directory promises to be the most definitive, comprehensive reference bound into a classic, library quality edition. The directory may only be used for its express purpose of promoting alumni relations among alumni, and between the university and its alumni association. When complete, the directory will be the most up-to-date refer-

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# Distinguished Alumni Honoured at Gala Event

## *Six alumni honoured at Toronto event*

BY BRITTANY CADENCE '89

Six of Trent's most accomplished alumni were honoured during a night of firsts at an Alumni Awards dinner held on the set of the dramatic television series *Degrassi: The Next Generation*, on Saturday, May 5. Hosted by the Trent University Alumni Association, the event marked the first time that the Distinguished Alumni Awards and the Spirit of Trent Award were presented in the same night. It was also the first time that the Trent University Alumni Association Young Leader Award was bestowed.

"Every detail of this event provided a special opportunity to celebrate the creative and diverse ways Trent alumni are having an impact on the world around us," said Trent President Bonnie Patterson. "Collectively, this year's honourees are profound contributors in the fields of business, Canadian identity, arts and entertainment, politics and higher education. Together, they help position Trent as a leading university, and they generate a tremendous amount of pride within our alumni family."

The unique venue for the event, located at Epitome Pictures in Toronto, was offered by Trent alumnus **Stephen Stohn '66**, executive producer of *Degrassi*, and one of three alumni to be presented with the prestigious Distinguished Alumni Award at the event. Mr. Stohn was recognized for his outstanding contributions to both the legal profession and the entertainment industry.

Another Distinguished Alumni Award winner, former politician and renowned higher education advocate **Richard Johnston '64**, was on hand not only to receive his award but also to ensure that even the wine served during the



*Leadership, Achievement and the Spirit of Trent. From left to right, **Darren Murphy '96**, **Dalal Al-Waheidi '98**, **Bob Condon '69**, **Stephen Stohn '66**, **Richard Johnston '64** and **Ian Tamblyn '67***

event had a Trent connection. It was selected from Mr. Johnston's self-operated By Chadsey's Cairns Winery, located in Prince Edward County. Mr. Johnston was honoured with the Distinguished Alumni Award in recognition of his remarkable contributions to post-secondary education and nuclear disarmament.

The third recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award, Juno-award-winning musician **Ian Tamblyn '67**, also played a key role in the evening's events. Following the banquet dinner and

awards ceremony in the Degrassi gym, Mr. Tamblyn performed some of his Canadian-inspired songs. Mr. Tamblyn graduated from Trent with a sociology degree in 1971 and is now renowned as one of Canada's foremost musicians.

As the inaugural winners of the Young Leader Award, which was established to recognize significant contributions by Trent alumni who are under the age of 35, **Dalal Al-Waheidi '98** and **Darren Murphy '96** were both humbled to be

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**Have someone in mind you'd like to nominate for an Alumni Award? To learn more about Alumni Award criteria, and how to make nominations, please visit [www.trentu.ca/alumni](http://www.trentu.ca/alumni).**

## On the Line with a Trent Student...

**F**or most of Trent's 8,000 students the university experience is a means to discover more about ourselves, the world we live in, and our destinations. Just a few months ago 2,000 of my fellow students graduated, inspired by their experience here at Trent, better prepared and more determined than ever to make a positive difference in our world.

Unleashing the hidden potential in students is our mission at Trent University. And it is in this spirit that students like me come together each year to lead Trent's Annual Fundraising efforts. I'm Ruhil Shivji, and through my role as a telefundraiser, I've made a commitment to make a difference for current and future students.



*Ruhil Shivji, Telefundraiser and fourth year Business Administration Student*

Alumni, parents, and friends keep the spirit of Trent alive by giving to the Annual Fund. Money goes towards providing new opportunities and services that really complete the Trent experience. As a Telefundraiser, not only do I have an opportunity to learn new skills and valuable experience, I know that I am making it possible for students from all walks of life to have access to Trent.

You might receive a call from me or one of my fellow students this year requesting your participation in our fundraising efforts. With your help we can offer scholarships and bursaries, academic and campus services, and create ongoing opportunities for student employment – some of the extra resources Trent students need to succeed.

With your help the Trent experience will prepare many promising students to make a positive world of difference.

### ***Ruhil Shivji***

*Ruhil is a fourth year Business Administration Student with a specialization in Human Resources. She is a Senior Senate member for Peter Gzowski College, a member of the Committee on Undergraduate Standings and Petitions (CUSP), is on the Board of Directors for Trent Central Student Association, and is a Career Centre volunteer.*

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# All Paths Lead to Social Awareness at Free The Children

BY RANN SHARMA '97

**F**ree The Children is the world's largest network of children helping children through education. Founded by international child-rights activist Craig Kielburger, Free The Children has been nominated three times for the Nobel Peace Prize and has partnerships with the United Nations and Oprah's Angel Network. It is also a workplace where Trent alumni thrive.

Trent alumna **Dalal Al-Waheidi '98**, chief operations director, draws on her Trent education for social change. She uses her B.A. in international development and political science to develop and oversee school building and international development projects. In 2006, the Women's Executive Network awarded Dalal the Top 100 Women Award in the Future Leader Category.

Trent alumna **Alem Tedeneke '98** organized volunteer school-building trips overseas. After two years as director of international trips, Alem heads up Free The Children programming in Quebec. In this role, Alem uses her Trent degree in international development and French literature to bring Free The Children programming to French-speaking communities throughout Canada.

After he graduated from Trent with a major in computer science, **Aimable Mugara '99** joined Free the Children as IT and Multimedia Director and has been essential in providing IT and tech support. He draws on his Trent leadership experiences as Champlain College don, Trent Radio host, and student council representative to lead Free The Children's IT and graphic design team.

With a degree in international development, **Debbie Gray '98**



*From left to right: Dalal Al-Waheidi '98, Alem Tedeneke '98 and Rann Sharma '97 at the Alumni Awards Dinner in Toronto in May 2007 at which Dalal was honoured with the inaugural Young Leader Award.*



*Aimable Mugara '99 and Debbie Gray '98 at Free the Children headquarters in Toronto*

brings her field experiences in Northern Ghana and Niger to her role as a development coordinator at Free The Children

Finally, I draw on my Trent degree in cultural anthropology and business administration in my role as director of human resources. My involvement at the Trent University Women's Centre, at Trent Radio, and in writing for the *Arthur* has led me to my

immensely rewarding career path at Free The Children.

As Alem Tedeneke summarizes, "No matter what combination of majors you take, it's amazing how you end up using all the skills you acquired at Trent."

To learn more about career opportunities at Free The Children, please visit [www.freethechildren.com](http://www.freethechildren.com). **T**

honoured by their beloved alma mater. Originally from Palestine, Ms. Al-Waheidi graduated from Trent in 1998 and now serves as the chief operations director for Free The Children, the world's largest network of children helping children through education. Darren Murphy has also experienced much success since graduating from Trent only seven years ago. Most recently, he was named the publisher and general manager of the *Peterborough Examiner*. He is also a highly active community leader, serving on the board of the United Way of Peterborough, the Ontario Press Council, and the Festival of Lights.

In addition, long-time Trent employee and alumnus **Bob Condon '69** received special honours at the awards ceremony as the recipient of the Spirit of Trent Award. This award is presented to an alumnus or alumna who has made a difference through contributions to the University, the alumni association or the community. Mr. Condon was recognized for his significant impact on Trent students, faculty, staff and the community during his past 30 years of service working in the Physical Resources Department and for the Athletics Complex.

President Patterson and Alumni Association President **Matt Griem '97** co-emceed the high-profile event. Also speaking during the awards ceremony was Dr. Roberta Bondar, who is now in her second term as Trent's chancellor. In congratulating the alumni winners, Dr. Bondar reinforced the value of the Trent experience, saying, "I look at Trent as being a wonderful school with a depth of instructors who reach out not only to their community, but to the world...In extolling the virtues of Trent, which I love doing, I tell people that Trent really is shaping the world, through its students, alumni and faculty." **T**

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# Darren Murphy '96

## Defining the Finish Line

BY MARILYN BURNS '00

As he swam the cool, blue waters at the Trent pool—one eye on the clock, the other on his competitors in the lanes on either side of him—Darren Murphy '96 was creating a powerful metaphor for his life, and gaining the self-discipline that would set him on a trajectory toward success in the media world. The youngest publisher in the history of *The Peterborough Examiner* and the *Lindsay Post*, and recent winner of Trent University's inaugural Young Leader Award, Darren began a regular regime of swimming practice at the age of 11 and was competing at national championships by 15. Some of his records remain intact some 17 years later and are on the website of the Peterborough Swim Team to this day.

"I took a lot away from those experiences," says Darren at the popular Peterborough bar and tap room St. Veronus, a short distance away from where he grew up. "Being goal oriented is all I've ever known—setting a goal and a clear vision, then setting a path to get there. I'm big on visualization."

Clearly the regimen of early mornings, gruelling practices, long days and travel served as the perfect training ground for the life of an ambitious young media salesman, whose career continues to grow.

Starting out in media sales at *The Peterborough Examiner*, Darren moved to Toronto as a national account manager with CanWest Media Works. After a few years in Toronto, an opportunity to return home to Peterborough presented itself. Darren accepted the position of director of advertising at *The Peterborough Examiner* in 2003. After almost two years in that role, he



*Darren Murphy '96 accepts the inaugural Young Leader Award at the Alumni Awards Dinner in Toronto*

was promoted to the role of publisher and general manager at the Northumberland group of newspapers, which, like *The Examiner*, is also a part of the Osprey network. After two years in Northumberland County, Darren was again promoted within Osprey Media to his current position as publisher and general manager of the two pillars in the history of media in the Kawarthas, *The Peterborough Examiner* and *The Lindsay Post*.

As you might imagine, this rising star's history at Trent University goes far beyond his use of the Allan Marshall Pool. In fact, it was a profoundly unfortunate turn of events that brought Darren to Trent. In June of 1996, after the end of his first year of studies at the University of Western Ontario the course of his life changed with the loss of his mother to cancer. He returned to Peterborough to be closer to his father and brother, and in the fall of 1996 transferred from Western and enrolled as a part-time sociology student at Trent. To this day, Darren says, "at Western I learned how to get by, but at Trent I

learned how to learn."

While at Trent, Darren enjoyed working with a variety of professors, mentioning Barb Marshall in particular. He also had the happy experience of meeting his wife of nine years, Heather Twohey '95. While he was in his second year at Trent, their first child, Charlie, was born. It seems that responsibility and self-discipline would be unremitting themes in Darren's life; so, determined to fulfill his mother's wishes that he complete his degree, Darren worked two jobs while studying as a member of Trent's Julian Blackburn College. It was during these years, while working and taking courses in sociology at Trent, that Darren came to his passion and calling. Not surprisingly, he was certain of what he wanted—and, naturally, it was a career in a fast-paced, competitive world: media.

"I was always very news oriented," he says. "I'm a big fan of the news. I wanted to play a role in the fabric of Canadian society. I knew I wanted to get into the media business."

“Originally I wanted to be a writer/journalist—I thought sociology would give me a good background as an undergrad to go into the business.” After finishing his Trent degree, Darren pursued a diploma in Advertising Media Sales at Humber College at the urging of an instructor there who saw his potential on the business side of media.

One might think that, at the age of 32, that someone in Darren’s shoes might live in the shadow of older and more famous former publishers like Robertson Davies, the Canadian literary giant who ran *The Examiner* from 1941-1961. But while Darren tips his hat to the history behind his publications, he is not paralyzed by it by any stretch. For one thing, he refers to his newspapers as “news organizations” – and the significant change he sees for them is already underway. That change will mean a blurring of the lines of all news media so that newspapers will not only publish on the World Wide Web, but they will also incorporate audio, video, citizen blogs, and more.

“We will get information out to our readers in whatever format or medium they want,” Darren says. “We are a very mature industry, and people rely on us. We are the number one source for local news and information. As an industry we need to have leaders that identify the trends that affect our industry and then embrace the opportunities we see. A number of different factors affect our industry—social, economic and political factors. We need to identify those elements of change and adapt to them.”

As for the management style that is helping Darren to implement change in a business where strong traditions can reign, it all comes back to a dogged work ethic and keeping your eye on the goal. “People don’t mind working for somebody who doesn’t mind working,” he says quite simply. “When you’re not afraid to get in and roll up your sleeves and make decisions that are in the best interests of the



*Celebrating Darren’s award from left to right are his wife, Heather Murphy ‘95, Trent Chancellor Dr. Roberta Bondar, and his grandparents, Catherine and Bill Munro*

*“I wanted to play a role in the fabric of Canadian society. I knew I wanted to get into the media business.”*

business, people see your passion and enthusiasm. In any industry, it’s the difficult decisions and the courage to make them that will set you apart. I love what I do and I feel very lucky that every day presents new opportunities and challenges. Every day in this business goes by with such velocity, I feel fortunate to be a part of such an engaging environment.”

In the midst of this discussion about change and management philosophy, a phone call comes in from the personal end of life that no doubt keeps Darren grounded. As he listens to his wife Heather, Darren’s usual earnest, serious-set jaw softens slightly as he says, “Yes, yes I will.” It turns out that Heather has called to remind him that she’s taking the kids out and there’s “lots of grass to cut at home.”

Despite a fierce determination to steer his current media companies toward record profits and bold new horizons, Darren continues, as he has in the past, to allow his family life to play an equally important role in his destiny. Spending time with Heather and their two children Charlie (10) and Adeline (6), and working on their 160 year-old Colonial home in Keene, top his

list of leisure activities, along with gardening and enjoying time at the family cottage.

Darren also serves the community in many different ways. He is a board member with the United Way of Peterborough, a Rotarian with the Rotary Club of Peterborough, a director with the Ontario Press Council, a board member with The Summer Festival of Lights, and a participant on various committees with organizations such as the Hospital Foundation, the YMCA, and the Greater Peterborough Area Economic Development Corporation.

No matter what day of the week it is, those early years of training at the Trent pool have managed to shape Darren’s morning routine. Up at 5:30 a.m., he might not be doing the front crawl, but he is watching the competition – reading early breaking news and considering the future opportunities that will shape the business he loves.

The race is always on—and, somehow, you get the feeling that you know not so much who will win, but who will define what the finish line will look like in the future. **T**

# Head of the Trent 2007: "Where Everybody Knows Your Name"



## Homecoming 2007 Friday, September



### Head of Trent Regatta

Races take place all day Saturday.

### Trent Rowing Club Beer Garden

Opens in the late morning Saturday until late afternoon in the rectangular parking lot next to the Bata Library.

### Art Show

In Alumni House, we will be showcasing the artistic talents of Trent alumni and employees. The Art Show is from 1:00 to 5:30 p.m.

### Children's activities

A variety of children's activities will be taking place by the Tent area from 1:00 to 5:30 p.m.

### Crooked Wood

Crooked Wood, featuring Trent alumnus Steve Kennedy '96, will be performing in the Tent from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.

## Book Launch

Peter Adams will be launching his book: *Trent, McGill and the North: A story of Canada's growth as a sovereign polar nation*. The book discusses the history of Trent's involvement in Arctic research. The Book Launch will take place in Alumni House at 3:00 p.m.

## TUAA Annual Meeting

The Trent University Alumni Association will be having its Annual Meeting in Alumni House from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

## New Tent Location for Alumni Gathering

The Tent for the Alumni Gathering will be located in the field behind the Alumni House at Champlain College. Food and bar services will be available inside the tent. The Tent will be open from 1:00 to 5:30 p.m.

## Open House @ Alumni House

Alumni House will be open to the public from 1:00 to 5:30 p.m.

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# TRENT CREW



# Gordon Teskey

## Across Thirty-Five Years

BY SEAN KANE

Trent grads turn up in unlikely places—but at a castle in Denmark for a private seminar with Jacques Derrida is a bit of a stretch. It was a stretch even for **Gordon Teskey '72**, Professor of English at Harvard University. The seminar, held in the spring of 2001, involved ten international scholars giving papers on *Glas*—Derrida's most difficult text—while the late father of deconstruction sat slouched and mischievous. On the third day the seminar was opened up to the public, with academics and the media attending from all over Scandinavia.

Attending to do what, precisely? To dispute a fine point of interpretation. At issue was the traditional way of reading Hegel contrasted with the subversive French way. The promotion or suppression of the force negation in Hegel's philosophy in regard to the effusions of Jean Genet ("a scoundrel," confessed Derrida, "and a very good friend") may not seem a burning question to anyone except the event's sponsor. This was the Hegel Reading Group, which Teskey founded at Cornell and refounded at Harvard as the Seminar on Dialectical Thinking in the Humanities. Yet it is out of such meetings of minds that worldviews arise.

Take the Danish castle, for example. Overlooking a body of water about the size of Peterborough's Little Lake, it is an edifice that has been restored by building modern structures—floors and spiral stairways—inside the ancient shell in a way that makes the castle everywhere visible as a ruin. The castle could be an emblem of Teskey's account of modern life, which with the archi-

tectural theorist Rem Koolhaas he sees as a delirious high of pastness continually recycled into startling new configurations. Architecture is like that. So is European creativity after John Milton, whose *Paradise Lost* is a vortex of past traditions allowed to be visible and speak, but only as ruins exploited for an alien purpose. Delirium happens because for the first time in history a poet cannot choose between portraying the world as given and inventing reality himself.

This is the subject of Teskey's new book, *Delirious Milton: The Fate of the Poet in Modernity* (Harvard 2006), which follows his edition of *Paradise Lost* (Norton 2005). Teskey has the learning to make sweeping claims about the shape of history, and this audacity is not lost on the *Times Literary Supplement*, which heralds it as "a brilliant book for which all lovers of poetry should be grateful," or the *London Review of Books*, which notes the "deep seriousness and stylistic verve" so characteristic of the author.

Teskey is an academic star. This means he is never in one place, always speeding to the next lecture or paper he has to give at Cambridge, the Sorbonne, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Even his escape from this life of the mind as ongoing performance has a pattern of restlessness. He flies over to Paris, often for a long weekend, where he steps into a vocation as an Abstract Expressionist painter, apprentice and now close friend of Olivier Wahl. Or he comes to Trent, driving his wreck of a Volvo, memorizing a tape of the *Iliad* along the Interstate I-90.

Here, too, he can cast off celebrity. Sitting in on my classes incognito, wearing flip-flops,

paint-stained cotton pants, and a crumpled linen jacket, he appears to my puzzled but accepting students like a successful roofer. Prof. Teskey enjoys the openspiritedness of Trent undergraduates—so unlike the intellectually cautious professionalism of classes at Harvard. I think he comes here so he can confuse roles, submerging the teacher in the remembered open-mindedness of his own studenthood.

He graduated from Trent as an English major who ranged widely in Classics and Philosophy. "Janet Bews," he recalls, "was a great Latin teacher. She could unpeel the extravagant obscenities of Catullus (and, among his Greek sources, Archilochus) with a steely detachment that only made it more funny—as intended." While Max Young persuaded Teskey to learn Greek, in Classics "Brian Reardon was their great man—he still is, though at UCLA—and I remember his lectures as contending with James Winny's for the best I heard at Trent." As for Philosophy, in which he took only one course but attended classes and retreats, Teskey says, "I loved the department—Boundas, Carter, Dray, Fry, Gallop, Govier, MacAdam, McMullen, Rubinoff and Orenstein. They knew how hard it is to do philosophy and were sympathetic even as they set startlingly high standards. I learned to write exactly (or at least to value and pursue exactness) not from English but from Philosophy professors."

Yet it was literature that would become Teskey's career. "The Trent English department specialized, as I thought at the time, in lecturing, complementing the talent of the Philosophy department for tutorial and one-on-one teaching. Tromly and Berkowitz were the



star lecturers in the Renaissance. Gordon Johnston taught a terrific seminar on modern poetry.” Teskey reckons as a decisive course in his intellectual formation a survey of literature between Chaucer and Spenser (now called *Medieval Romance*), in which his tutor was Richard Dellamora (now an academic star himself). “I got a phone call one night from Dellamora, asking me (with two days’ notice) to report in the next tutorial on Panofsky’s *Renaissance and Resuscitations*, Erasmus’s *Adagia*, especially “The Sileni of Alcibiades,” and Edgar Wind’s essay on Botticelli in *Pagan Mysteries in the Renaissance*. I asked what connection he saw between these texts, and he replied, “Absolutely none. That’s why I’m calling you!”

I add my own more solemn reminiscence at this point. It concerns a reading course I set up for Teskey on Shakespeare’s near-contemporary, the poet-thinker on an epic scale called Edmund Spenser. This was the only time I risked teaching my speciality. Spenser is

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an armful, because you have to keep in mind whole Classical and Post-Classical traditions of using mythic images as a sort of intellectual shorthand, as well as texts out of Greek philosophy that excited Spenser. There is a sensual and intellectual magic in that. Neither Teskey nor I have a clue what happened in that reading course, except that Spenser persuaded both of us that he was a deep original thinker at a turning point in European ideology. Teskey’s *Allegory and Violence* (Cornell 1996), an account of the dominant convention of artistic expression in Europe from antiquity to the Enlightenment, came out of that reading course. So did my *Spenser’s Moral Allegory* (Toronto 1989). Each book in its earlier form as a Ph.D. thesis was directed by the

University of Toronto’s William Blissett, his own Ph.D. on Spenser and Milton having been supervised by Northrop Frye, whose courses Teskey and I attended, in different decades.

Today, Teskey speeds across the firmament, giving papers at Cambridge (three times), as well as the Plenary Lecture of the International Spenser Society, and the MacLean Lecture at the Chicago MLA—all this toward a book on Spenser, the poet-thinker who foresaw with a horror tempered by wisdom the moral universe we now inhabit. This fall, he is teaching the large Shakespeare course in Harvard’s “Core” program, and also what may be the first undergraduate course at Harvard entirely on Spenser. As for me, it is my final year as a professor. Our roles of teacher and student delightfully confused, I look forward to sitting in on his class at Harvard incognito, while he comes to Trent to give this year’s Alumni Lecture. **T**

# Trent Today from **A** to **Z**

## **A is for ARCHIVES.**

Really? As if someone would start an article on interesting things on a university campus with the word "archives"! But being conventional is not Trent's forte, and besides, the Archives at Trent is a great place to visit ... once you find it. The first person you'll meet is probably **Jodi Aoki '76**, and she'll make you feel very welcome. Interesting displays, an oasis of calm, fabulous collection ... and close to the washrooms too. Where is it? Find the wall on the main floor of the Bata Library where they've hung portraits of every former president (except for THB Symons), and the Archives is right beside Tom Nind.



along with a \$1.2-million grant: Professors Céline Guéguen and Paul Wilson (not to be confused with Paul S.B. Wilson). They and eight other Trent professors who are already Canada Research Chairs enhance the university's national reputation for excellence in forensic and environmental sciences. Professor Guéguen is an expert in tracing environmental pollutants in Arctic regions, and Professor Wilson is a renowned forensic scientist and conservation geneticist.

## **D is for DNA.**

This is Trent's newest building and it sits where the Otonabee College parking lot used to be, at the easternmost part of the campus. Inside a whole host of amazing activities take place, from developing strategies to protect endangered species to wildlife disease research. Over the past year, DNA testing conducted here was used in federal court cases to successfully convict importers illegally bringing products made from species-at-risk into Canada.

## **E is for EXCALIBUR.**

At Trent the legendary sword is Champlain's, and the Athletics Department has used it to create a very striking logo. Trent Athletics, under the leadership of Bill Byrick (whose daughter and brother-in-law are alumni), is having exciting times - a major expansion of athletic fields to the east side of the campus, an artificial surface on the field near the PSB Wilson Athletics Building, new lighting, and permanent seating in time for this summer's international lacrosse tournament. A new mascot has been born; his name is Excalibear.

## **F is for FARYON BRIDGE.**

Before the university was even a gleam in Tom Symons' eye there was Reginald Faryon, President of Quaker Oats in Peterborough. Fifty years ago he wrote a letter to the Peterborough Examiner suggesting that it would be a good idea for the province to build a postgraduate institution of some sort in his adopted city. From that letter a group of citizens formed an advisory group, and that group's efforts led to the founding of Trent. The award-winning cement footbridge spanning the Otonabee is a fitting memorial to a true visionary.

## **G is for GRADUATE STUDIES.**

The Graduate Studies Department at Trent is expanding very rapidly, but for years it has been virtually homeless. The graduate students have their own journal and last year re-named their seminar series after founding President THB Symons. The seminars are open to the public and are held twice a month in the JCR at Scott House at Trill. It has just been announced that as part of the new plan for Catharine Parr Trill College the Graduate Studies Department will be permanently located there. History and English Literature are the newest disciplines being offered for graduate studies.

## **H is for HEAD OF THE TRENT.**

Apart from Convocation, this event is still the greatest in the Trent year and it still brings thousands of new and old friends of the university together on a spectacularly beautiful autumn Saturday filled with exciting athletic achievement, serious partying, and much reminiscing. For Trent Alumni it's a great time to see the new Alumni House (the

## **B is for BATA LIBRARY.**

At Trent the Bata Library is where much of the action is at all times. Key decisions are made there, coffee drinkers get their fix there, smokers sit near it, revellers party near it, and it's the place to go if you want to know about computers, AV, Disability Services, Communications, library material, clubs, organizations, cultural events or student politics. There are interesting displays that change regularly, campus newspapers and other handouts, and information tables that seem to attract many of the most involved students. Although there are no longer card catalogues, and no one is likely to remind you to whisper, you'll know you are in a university library. The tension is palpable, especially toward the end of term.

## **C is for CANADA RESEARCH CHAIRS.**

Two new Canada Research Chairs were recently named by the federal Canada Research Council,

old Champlain College Master's Lodge).

### **I is for INDIGENOUS STUDIES.**

Formerly known as the Native Studies Department, the Department of Indigenous Studies operates out of Enwyeing, the name of the building that houses the First Peoples House of Learning and Peter Gzowski College. Indigenous Studies is the only department in Canada offering a Ph.D. program in this field of study. There is a very active association for Native students (TUNA) and many cultural events take place throughout the year, especially in the Gathering Space, and Nozhem, the First Peoples Performance Space.

### **J is for JBC, JULIAN BLACKBURN COLLEGE.**

JBC is Trent's only non-residential college; it is located on Symons Campus south of the Bata Library and it is named after founding Trent father Professor Julian Blackburn, then dean of the Psychology Department at Queen's and later chair of the Psychology Department at Trent. JBC is primarily for part-time students, and many are studying at Trent's Oshawa Campus. JBC is also the office through which joint courses are offered at Sir Sandford Fleming College, and it is now the home of the Continuing Education department as well.

### **K is for KERR HOUSE.**

Kerr House was named after its last owner before the university purchased it for Traill; it is a very fine-looking old building, set in a beautiful treed area just north of Scott House. Kerr House is home to the Leslie Frost Centre for Canadian Heritage and Development Studies, and also the Alan Wilson Reading Room. Frost was once premier of Ontario and later became Trent's first chancellor; Wilson

was an early chair of history, and now lives in his beloved Maritimes with his wife, author Budge Wilson.

### **L is for LADY EATON COLLEGE.**

Located just at the foot of the drumlin, LEC hosts the World Affairs Colloquia, Muslim and other religious gatherings, and many other activities. Last year the voters at LEC elected Trent's first ever "prime minister," **John Mullin '03**. John is a frequent writer for this publication and writes for both campus student publications ... usually on sports.

### **M is for MORRISON, as in Professor David Morrison.**

David Morrison has been around Trent for almost as long as any of us have been alumni. He has just retired after an illustrious career in which he taught politics and helped found the Comparative Development Studies program (later renamed International Development Studies), served as Dean and Provost of Arts and Science and later as Director of the International Program (TIP). One of the most coveted awards available for international students is the David Morrison Award, and one of the university's most prestigious award is the Eminent Service Award; Professor Morrison was one of the 2007 recipients. It will be strange not seeing this energetic man with a truly encyclopedic memory for names riding his bicycle around campus or making his presence felt in discussions.

### **N is for NATURE TRAILS (on the drumlin).**

Prior to the construction of Champlain College, the base of the drumlin (the small, rounded sumach-covered hill between LEC and the Lakefield highway) was a favourite rendezvous for young Peterborough, Douro and



Dummer romantics and ski jumpers. Then Trent folk took over. The

drumlin has been and is used by many for a multitude of purposes. A great deal of effort has gone into creating a series of well-marked and well-laid-out nature trails on its summit, complete with sturdy benches for older alumni. The view of the campus and the surrounding countryside is truly breathtaking (as is the climb).

### **O is for OTONABEE RIVER.**

Many chose Trent because of the fact that a river runs through it. In recent years there has been speculation that the traditional pronunciation may be incorrect, and that the Aboriginal inhabitants may have pronounced it as Otton-AH-bay.

### **P is for PETER GZOWSKI COLLEGE.**

On the east side of the Otonabee, Peter Gzowski College (PGC) dominates the view. Daring to be different, it was completed in 2004 as the newest residential college on campus, and named after Trent's seventh chancellor and CBC Radio icon, the late Peter Gzowski. The new principal of the college is a Trent alumna, **Professor Ray Dart '82**. Ray teaches business administration and is well known throughout the university, especially among international students.

### **Q is for the Trent QUEER COLLECTIVE.**

Trent has always been known for being inclusive in virtually every way. The TQC is a small but active group that involves itself with safety issues, discussion groups, social activities, and political activism. Its members seek to educate and inform others, and to assist all undergraduates who are gay, lesbian, transsexual or two-spirited.





BY TONY STOREY '71

## Notes from the Alumni Director

### *Celebrating Contribution, Accomplishment and Heritage*

A tip of the hat to alumni Robert '68 & Nancy '69 Stephenson for their personal initiative and thoughtful hospitality in assembling past and present recipients of the Robert Stephenson Award for Excellence in Contribution to Student Governance.

On a fine June evening in North Toronto, we gathered to congratulate 2007 winner Scott Dempsey '03 for his strong contributions to the Trent Central Student Association and numerous university committees in the presence of former recipients Catherine Dickinson '98, Heather (Anderson) Halpin '96, Patrick McColm '02, Eli Fellman '92, and Kim Fielding '98. Regrets were fielded from Todd Parker '99, Kylie Patrick '94, Jason Marshall '03, Emily Edwards '01, Piet Funnekotter '99, Will Dodge '91, Kelly Ray '01 and Dave Wallbridge '96.

After years of seeing the recipi-

ents' names on the permanent plaque (now displayed at Alumni House), it was a pleasure to have six of the accomplished honourees gathered together. As we enjoyed an al fresco dining occasion, it was interesting to contrast, and compare, the nature of the contributions these individuals had made to Trent University and its colleges, clubs, and groups. All of a sudden Eli Fellman's work on morphing the Trent Student Union into the TCSA during the mid-1990s seemed very pertinent to the effort and dedication that Scott Dempsey invested in 2006-07 to making the TCSA more professional and accountable, while Catherine Dickinson's endeavours in this new century somehow seemed clearly connected to the investment of time and energy in a Trent Council of Colleges by Robert Stephenson in the late 1960s. The tremendous value to Trent's colleges of committed student leadership was further underscored by knowing of the contributions of Kim Fielding (JBC), Patrick McColm (Champlain), and Heather Halpin (LEC).

As Trent VP Dianne Lister '71 commented, "this evening has demonstrated the lineage of the Stephenson Award." Although the evening was a personal undertaking of Robert and Nancy's, with daughter Lindsay '98 on hand, it was a fine "Trent" evening nonetheless. To see 40 years of student accomplishment come together while being proudly and acutely aware of their progress as citizens in our world served as a marvelous reminder that good things happen when Trent people come together. Thank you Robert, Nancy and Lindsay for the welcoming hospitality...a very special evening.

### **The Robert Stephenson Award**

The Robert Stephenson Award was established in 1995 by the Trent University Alumni Association, on the occasion of the completion of Robert's service as chair of the Board of Governors, the first

### **The Robert Stephenson Award recipients:**

1995	Will Dodge, Stephanie Parr
1996	Eli Fellman
1997	Matt Gallinger, Dan Gunn
1998	Kylie Patrick
1999	David Wallbridge
2000	Heather Halpin (Anderson)
2001	Nammi Pooroshasb
2002	Todd Parker, Catherine Dickinson
2003	Piet Funnekotter
2004	Kim Fielding, Sam Grey, Jason Marshall, Kelly Ray
2005	Emily Edwards
2006	Patrick McColm
2007	Scott Dempsey

alumnus to hold that position. The award is presented annually to a student who has demonstrated excellence in contribution to student governance. The award includes a \$250 cheque, sponsored by the Alumni Association, along with a commemorative plaque.

### **Alumni House Festival to play starring role at Homecoming/Head of the Trent 2007**

After many years of alumni gathering outside the Champlain College Great Hall during the Head of the Trent regatta, change is in the wind!

On Saturday, September 29, 2007, Alumni House and its adjacent festival tent will take centre stage for a carefully planned day of activities.

The full schedule is in this issue on pages 16-17. Be sure to review it and pass the word to other alumni. Include a tour of Alumni House as part of your Homecoming itinerary and take advantage of our tent headquarters, located directly north of Alumni House in the field area. Whether you have an interest in the Alumni Association Annual General Meeting, the book launch by Professor Emeritus Peter

Adams, the art show at Alumni House, the performance by alumni band Crooked Wood, or you simply want to see old friends over a beer and burger while the kids take advantage of the children's activities, this is a very good year to return.

As always the Head of Trent regatta provides a stirring setting for excellence in rowing competition. Races are ongoing from approximately 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Trent Rowing Club continues to offer its beer garden venue next to the Bata Library. And there will be alumni and varsity sport taking place at the main Excalibur field.

### Spotlight on Alumni

*Locally, globally...Alumni are making a world of difference.*

The press clippings and e-mails have never been so frequent and diverse. We love to tell the stories of our alumni accomplishments. Here is a quick summary of what you will find in the Bonus Material, available in the online edition at [www.trentmagazine.ca](http://www.trentmagazine.ca). Spotlight on Alumni

**Robert Bateman '01**, a pro elite racer in the Ontario Cup freeride circuit and **Mike Stiell '01** are partnering to create Ontario's premier freeride destination—Bike Ranch Freeride Park. Freeriding is the most daring of mountain biking experiences, using downhill ski trails without the snow, jumps, obstacles like ladder bridges suspended through trees and drop-offs. Both Bateman and Stiell have been building trails in Peterborough County and have already hosted 75 riders for the Ontario Cycling Association's Four-cross provincial championship in September 2006.

**Stacy Watson '98** was featured in the *Toronto Star* in an article about teaching overseas. Stacy currently works for Oxford Seminars in Toronto, helping to prepare people to teach overseas. She was featured for her experiences teach-



From left to right: **Robert Stephenson '68**, **Kim Fielding '98**, **Eli Fellman '92**, **Heather Halpin '96**, **Scott Dempsey '03**, **Catherine Dickinson '98**, **Patrick McCollm '02**

ing English in Taiwan.

Newly elected to the National Academy of Sciences and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences is Trent alumna, **Barb Finlayson-Pitts '66**.

**Bob Andrews '80** was featured in Niagara This Week for his new position as the new superintendent of Niagara Historical Sites. He manages many of the town's historic sites such as Navy Hall and Fort George and bigger projects such as the restoration of Brock's Monument in Queenston.

**Leah McLaren '95**, feature writer for *The Globe and Mail*, was a speaker in The Leaders Lecture Series that took place in Toronto on January 19, 2007.

Tree Canada announced **Michael Rosen '75** as its new president. Previous to this position, Michael was responsible for project implementation and communications, including the carbon neutral programs under Grow Clean Air. He helped direct Tree Canada's other programs including: Green Streets Canada, Operation ReLeaf, and Greening Canada's School Grounds. He was also responsible for the very successful B.C. Coast ReLeaf program, which raised \$40,000 in a few short weeks to re-plant Stanley Park following

the devastating storms in British Columbia. In his new role, he is appealing to Canadians to work with Tree Canada to establish a vibrant and healthy urban forest network.

The Peterborough Field Naturalists recognized **Drew Monkman '71** for his contributions to the club, nature and environmental conservation by awarding him the Lola Leach award. Monkman inspires youth with his enthusiasm for the natural world. He organizes a junior field naturalists program and oversaw the development of a habitat area at an elementary school in Peterborough since its creation in 1990.

**Doug Sadler '70** received the Ontario Heritage Award for Lifetime Achievement. He was honoured with the award for a lifetime of preserving, protecting and promoting Ontario's heritage.

**Howard Fienberg '92** was hired as Director of Government Affairs for the U.S. Council for Marketing and Opinion Research. His extensive government affairs experience, education and a background in opinion research blend perfectly for his new role representing the research profession.

Former fencer at Trent University, **Ainsley Switzer '97**, was featured in the *Toronto Star* for her international accomplishments in the sport of fencing. She is ranked third in Canada and 40th internationally. Currently she is completing two years of intense training and competition in order to attain her goal of qualifying for the 2010 Olympics.

*Trent Magazine* editor, **Celia Dyer '83**, was the French language commentator at the Opening and Closing games of the National Women's Hockey Championship in Vancouver.

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**Colin Rankin '05** was likely the first 'test tube' baby to ever graduate from Trent University. He and his twin brother Gregory were the first 'test-tube' babies born in Canada and the first 'test-tube' twins born in North America.

**Amanda Nieman '93** and **Jason Sloan '92** both received the Upper Canada District School Board's "Director's Extra Mile Award" for organizing the first Hockey Day in Cardinal, ON in December 2006. The hockey day started to encourage literacy and ease the transition for students moving from elementary school to high school.

Former Trent Valley Archives director, Sage of Argyle and former editor of *Ontario History*, **Rae Fleming '78** was the guest speaker at the Trent Valley Archives Annual General Meeting. He spoke on "From Passchendaele to Chapters, With Love and Passion" which reflects the experience of writing a book based on the Great War letters of Leslie and Cecil Frost.

**Ray Dart '82**, head of Gzowski College, received the "Friends of Tip Award" recognizing the ethical values he embodies, not only as a part of the history of Trent, but also essential to its future. Through his numerous roles and activities at Trent, he has effectively encouraged both the inclusion of international students in all college activities, but also led Canadians to take full advantage of the rich benefits and opportunities that international students bring to Trent.

**Don Tapscott '66** was the keynote speaker at the IT360 Conference and Expo that took place at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre in May 2007.

"PeterBio" in *Peterborough This Week* featured **Bill Kimball '75** for his long involvement in the



**Don Tapscott '66**

Peterborough arts scene. His primary focus since 1994 has been Peterborough New Dance whose mandate is to create a kind of public energy that only comes when artist and audience meet around the creation, performance and touring of new dance and performance. He has also been very dedicated to nurturing the educational side via performance art workshops, classes and talks. He is known for emphasizing and encouraging the artistic talent that can be found right here in Peterborough.

When thousands of Ukrainian people poured into the streets of Kiev to demand the restoration of democracy after a tainted election in November 2004, Canada's ambassador to the Ukraine, **Andrew Robinson '64**, brought together a group of ambassadors from countries of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe to put pressure on Leonid Kuchma, the current president, to allow democracy to prevail. *The Globe and Mail* and *Embassy* featured him for his role in also providing space at the Canadian Embassy in Kiev for monthly gatherings to plot how to help the democratic movement. He also gave \$30,000 to assist a youth group that played an active role in bringing democracy to the Ukraine through a "special embassy fund." He remains quite discreet about his role, though known as a hero and revolution-



**Ray Dart '92**

ary by many, he maintains that it is the Ukrainian people, not the West, who have brought democracy to Ukraine.

Peterborough author **Peter Fama '83** launched his new novel called *Peace on Earth* in April 2007 at Titles Bookstore in Peterborough. The novel is about a charismatic world leader who resolves the terrorism problem and all wars and then forms a world government.

To raise awareness of the arts in the Federal government, **Yann Martel '81** announced in *The Globe and Mail* that he would send Prime Minister Harper a new book every two weeks to encourage him to appreciate and think of the arts more often.

**Sam Billich '79**, a Toronto justice of the peace and a Canadian Forces reservist, bid in partnership with friend Lionel Goffart on an extraordinary collection of Polish medals and uniform at an auction. The collection originally belonged to General Michal Tokarzewski-Karaszewicz, one of the best known and meritorious characters of the Polish Army and the Polish resistance movement during the Second World War. The two Torontonians donated the collection to a museum in Warsaw, Poland. The donation was received as a beautiful gesture and seen as an important event in the relationship between Poland and Canada.



**Rick Miller '78**

The *Orillia Packet & Times* welcomed new sports reporter **Alexander Cruickshank '97** to its team in April 2007.

**Paul Schliesmann '77** won an Ontario Newspaper Award in the feature-writing category for his three-part series "Tracy's Journey". The series chronicles his wife, Tracy's '79 battle with breast cancer and the effects it had on the entire family. A judge was quoted as saying that the series was some of the finest writing he had seen in over 40 years. Paul is a journalist for the *Kingston Whig-Standard*.

**Heather Gumbert '91**, an assistant professor at Virginia Tech, wrote to the *Hamilton Spectator* expressing thanks for the support and sympathies expressed by people around the world after the tragic events that took place on April 16.

**Ada Wilkins '97** and **Bubba Lougheed '84** were featured in *The Peterborough Examiner* as local athletes who are playing major roles in the success of various rowing programs across Peterborough. Ada was instrumental in resurrecting the rowing program at St. Peter's Secondary School 3 years ago, as well as coaches the junior girls program there. Bubba is the head coach and senior boys' coach at Peterborough Collegiate and Vocational School.

Kimberly-Clark Corporation announced **Gordon Knapp '79** as president of its North Atlantic Family Care business. As president, he is responsible for identifying and pursuing strategic growth opportunities as well as helping to establish new business capabilities and processes.

The April 13, 2007 edition of the *Times Literary Supplement* reviewed **Gordon Teskey's '72** book *Delirious Milton*. It is reviewed as "an important and elegant book, for which all sensible Miltonists and lovers of poetry should be grateful."

**John Pepall '67** reviewed two books on Pierre Trudeau in the March 30, 2007 edition of the *Times Literary Supplement*.

At the Guyana Awards (Canada) 2007, **Dr. Suresh Narine '91** won the "Special Achievement Award". He is a world-renowned scientist and professor who has contributed to Guyana as the director of the Institute of Applied Science and Technology and in numerous other public services. He has also helped in pioneering new investments into the Guyanese biodiesel industry which has resulted in \$4 million dollars of investments and created employment for 180 people. The awards recognize the special contributions of distinguished individuals and organizations toward the promotion and development of Guyana as well as Guyana's heritage and culture.

**Gail McLaren '69** was published in the *Globe and Mail's* TravelBlog on the subject of her travels in Europe with husband and Trent Professor David Glassco.

**Erin Myers '01** provided an opportunity for citizens attending a public screening of Al Gore's documentary movie *An Inconvenient Truth* to discuss important issues surrounding the environment. She told people to have an affect

globally by thinking locally, encouraging them to take actions such as recycling, buying local products, using a clothesline and planting a tree.

Peterborough high school teacher, **John Curtis '82** was featured in "PeterBio" for his teaching in the classroom and on the water. John runs a water skiing school on Little Lake as well as teaching Physics and Chemistry at Kenner Collegiate. At a young age, John started water skiing, and later became one of the few Canadians to perform some challenging acrobatics on the water. After he completed his degree at Trent, he was encouraged by his professor to go into teaching. He decided that he was going to teach students in high school but also teach them how to water ski.

**Erin Krekoski '02** is a local middleweight boxer who is part of an international team competing in Cavan, Ireland. She scored a unanimous win against Michelle Brady of the Cavan Boxing Club and met world champion Katie Taylor of Ireland for an exhibition bout in Castleblayney, Ireland.

**Gavin Muir '93** joins the legal team at Howell Fleming in Peterborough. Gavin was Called to the Bar in 2002 and is a graduate of the Faculty of Law, University of Toronto. He received the John J. Robinette Scholarship during his Bachelor of Arts degree at Trent University. Gavin practiced law in Toronto before returning to his home town of Peterborough.

**Arnold Dyck '73** authored *Sterile Insect Technique*, which provides an innovative and environment-friendly method of pest control that integrates well into area-wide integrated pest management programmes. The book is acclaimed as providing a wealth of information and will act as a standard

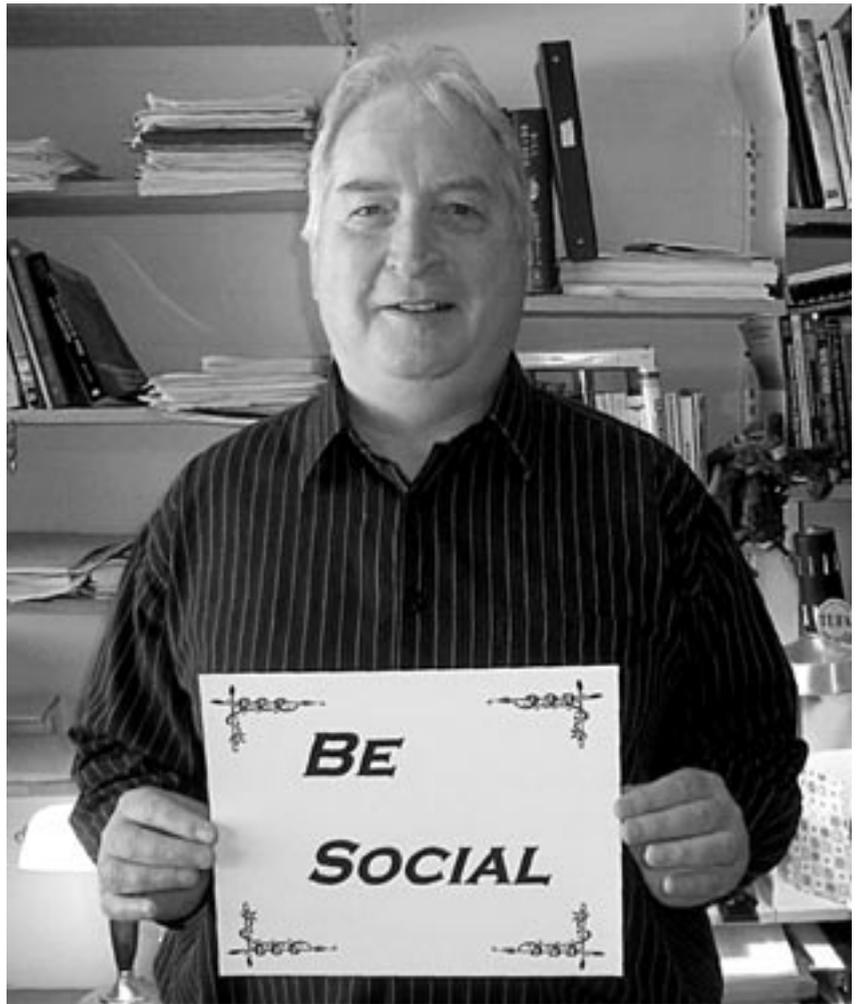
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# “Be Social:” Rory Coughlan and social psychology

BY NICK FAUSET

For students enrolled in the field of psychology who are looking for an intriguing, entertaining, and thought-provoking elective, social psychology delivers. Offered at a second-year level for students who have taken introductory psychology, this course examines phenomena such as influence, identity, communication, aggression, and prejudice as they occur in a variety of real-world and experimental settings. Beginning with an historical review of the progressive development of psychology, the course discusses society’s embodiment of one of two models or paradigms: individualistic ideals linked to prediction and control, and collectivistic ideals and emancipation. In particular, this course examines Western society’s tendency to conform to individualistic ways, when in fact doing so is both disadvantageous and unnatural. The course is taught through weekly lectures that investigate broad concepts, and biweekly seminars that investigate specific examples to facilitate student discussion. Students are also required to complete an independent research project that entails first analyzing recent literature surrounding a current social problem, and then condensing relevant findings into a letter that is sent to an appropriate governing body, thus encouraging emancipatory thought and social action.

Professor Rory Coughlan, who has taught social psychology for nine years, challenges students’ ability to perceive the world from different perspectives. Rory, describing himself as a “late bloomer” (and also an enthusiastic Southampton football fan!) returned, at the age of thirty-five, to study psychology at the University of Victoria after spending several



*“We all rise and fall together—and competitive individualism is part of the problem not a solution.” Prof. Rory Coughlan*

years as a musician. Having felt a need to give back to society, as a result of encounters with his teachers Charles Tolman and Chuck Lemery, Prof. Coughlan began to investigate psychology as a means to do so. Initially, he felt that psychology lacked an understanding of social and cultural theory, but with the guidance of skilled professors, he was encouraged to borrow ideas from scholars such as G.H. Mead, Lev Vygotsky, and other theorists from Northern Europe to create what he calls a “critical and emancipatory social-psychology.” Following the completion of his undergraduate work, Rory continued his studies in graduate

school, where mentor Professor Peter Stephenson (who recently visited Trent as an Ashley Fellow) introduced him to interpretive and ethnographic methods; a second mentor, Jennifer Mullett, encouraged him in the area of social psychology as it applies to health. To date, Prof. Coughlan has published in many research journals on the topic of health, including the British Medical Journal, the McMaster Medical Journal, the International Journal of Nursing Research, and Social Theory & Health, to name a few. In addition, some of his other current research

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reference on this subject for many years. He was awarded membership in The Order of Canada for his work in insect pest control in Canada and other countries.

**Rick Miller's '78** band, 'Gate Street Blues' was in the July 2007 issue of *Down East* magazine in a special insert on the North Atlantic Blues Festival.

The 2007 June Callwood Award for Outstanding Volunteerism was presented to **Sue Reynolds '89** for her groundbreaking vol-

unteer work teaching creative writing to criminalized women in the Lindsay jail. This prestigious award is presented on behalf of the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration on an annual basis. It recognizes exceptional contributions to volunteerism in Ontario, demonstrated through leadership, innovation and creativity.

RedR Canada, a registered charity which supports international disaster relief through the training and placement of individuals from engineering and related fields,

announced that **Larry Gemmel '78** would join them as Executive Director. Previously he was Executive Director of the National Alliance for Children and Youth and has more than 22 years experience working with the United Way.

**Case de Jong '69** was featured in *Simcoe Business Magazine* as president of Midland's Kindred Industries, the first company to manufacture stainless steel kitchen sinkware. **T**

## *We become "selves along with other selves."*

directions include investigations of bullying and discrimination in educational systems.

When asked about the current problems with psychology, Prof. Coughlan remarks that social psychology should be at the confluence of all social sciences but believes that this is hampered by the adoption of a one-sided individualistic approach. Such an approach is associated with discovering knowledge products for government and corporate interests that are often linked to prediction and control of humans rather than to expressions of personal agency and social justice.

As a final concern, he notes that "psychology seems to have forgotten that sociality is key to understanding the psyche—that we become conscious by interacting with the world through the medium of others' language, culture and ideology." The individual that we know today, as Prof. Coughlan explains, is socially constructed, so a social psychology

that investigates social and cultural aspects seriously can further our understanding of how we become "selves along with other selves."

For students who are interested in taking social psychology, what questions should they expect to see answered? Prof. Coughlan strives to inspire students in a number of ways, though he aims to tackle three main focal points.

First, he believes that by bringing both his own unique experiences and a European perspective to the discussion table, he can contrast the mainstream North American perspective, allowing students to see that there are several approaches to any topic they study. Second, he aims to teach students that merely researching social problems is not enough; the real benefit to society is found when research findings can be used to solve the myriad of problems our country faces, such as poverty, racism, sexism, and injustice. Lastly, he hopes that students will discover that psychology has emanci-

patory potential and that this can be expressed in collective action in students' lives and communities.

As a final note, when asked what students walk away with after completing social psychology, Prof. Coughlan says he hopes that students now understand that all knowledge should be critically evaluated, not only for its logical reasonableness, but also for its utility in better explaining our experiences.

Moreover, those ideas which merely support immoral or unethical systems should be fought. Prof. Coughlan also hopes that students realize that who they are and who they have become is intertwined with their community and society, and that the knowledge they have learned can be applied and, in effect, make the world a better place. To end with some words of wisdom central to this discourse, as Prof. Coughlan puts it, "we all rise and fall together—and competitive individualism is part of the problem, not a solution." **T**

# Leaving their Legacy at Trent

For many years, Trent alumnus **Brian Toller '71** and his wife, alumna **Lorna Tener '68**, have planned on leaving a bequest in their wills to support the future of their beloved alma mater. For the couple, making the future gift is an opportunity to honour the place that played a major role in shaping who they are today.

"We were exposed to a wide range of ideas and thinking in a stimulating intellectual environment of small classes and access to professors. It was a place where we had a lot of fun and one that encouraged you to explore beyond what you were used to. We wanted to recognize that fact at some point in a more substantive way than our annual donations, so we set up bequests for Trent in each of our wills," Mr. Toller explained. "We wanted to support that opportunity for others."

Like so many other Trent supporters who have made provisions for leaving a legacy gift, Mr. Toller and Ms. Tener did not inform the University of their intentions, and so their important gift remained unknown. Recently, however, the couple did share the news of their future contribution with University staff and, as a result, became two of the newest members of Trent University's Legacy Society.

Trent University's Legacy Society aims to honour, recognize, and thank those who have made provisions for future gifts to support education and research at Trent. As members, Mr. Toller and Ms. Tener now receive a number of special "perks," including

- invitations to Trent events, such as the Inside Trent: Lunch with the Experts speaker series;
- access to important Trent publications, such as the *Annual Report* and the *Report on*



**Brian Toller '71 and Lorna Tener '68.**

*Philanthropy*; and

- name recognition within the Legacy Society and published annually in the *Report on Philanthropy*.

For Ms. Tener, being a member of the Legacy Society also holds another key advantage—being able to encourage other people to do the same. "We hope that this will

lead to others considering leaving a bequest in their own wills," she said. "It is a very easy way to give back."

According to **Sherry Booth '98**, Manager of Trent University's Planned Giving Program, the importance of the Legacy Society cannot be overstated. In the last fiscal year alone Trent received significant gifts from six different estates. "Unfortunately only one donor had informed us of their intentions," Ms. Booth recalled. "Thus we did not have the opportunity to thank the others for their generous gifts during their lifetime. It is my hope that people will advise us of their intentions so that we can recognize their generosity."

To date, the Legacy Society consists of 86 self-identified members. It is Ms. Booth's hope that through the actions of engaged alumni like Mr. Toller and Ms. Tener, more people will come forward to celebrate their support for Trent. **T**

## Trent University's Legacy Society Invites YOU to Become a Member

If you have remembered Trent University in your Will or through some other future gift, thank you. Please let us know of your intentions—become a Legacy Society member today so we can celebrate your generosity.

If you'd like more information about making Trent University a part of your Legacy, please contact:

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*Planned Giving at Trent University—"Connected to Things that Matter"*



Peter Adams was the founding chair of Trent's Geography Department as well as Dean of Graduate Studies and Executive Director of the Association of Canadian Universities for Northern Studies. He went on to distinguish himself as both an MPP and MP for the Peterborough riding and was chair of the government caucus on postsecondary education and research. Now retired, he and his wife Jill continue to live in Peterborough where Peter is still seen running.

# Trent, McGill, and the North

*A story of Canada's growth as a sovereign polar nation*



For more than 40 years, Peter Adams has been dedicated to learning more about the Arctic. First, as a graduate student at McGill, he managed the McGill Sub-Arctic Research Laboratory.

**COMING THIS FALL**



Later, at Trent, he led dozens of research parties into the Arctic. Hundreds of Trent students were on these remarkable expeditions and became pioneers in arctic research.



Peter has completed a book that records his involvement with the Arctic. Although a very personal book that deals with Trent student field trips, the text also presents arctic research as an example of Canada's progress as a sovereign polar nation. Through educational institutions, such as Trent, Canada's knowledge of the North makes it better informed in governing the Arctic. Much of the research on Axel Heiberg Island was some of the earliest work on recognizing climate change through glacier retreat. Geography students, alumni, faculty and those interested in the science of climate change will find the book fascinating.



## Trent, McGill, and the North

- 320 pages
- softcover
- 260 photographs
- 16 pages – colour
- 1000 copies



The book will be available at the Head of the Trent or by ordering from the Alumni Association. Call 1-800-267-5774 or order online at <http://www.trentu.ca/alumni/booklaunch.php> \$20.00 + \$5 handling (where applicable). VISA accepted. (profits are donated to the University)



# Sunshine Sketches

1988

1964

OPP Museum's "From Generation to Generation: What Museums Do" exhibit. The exhibit opened at OPP General Headquarters (Orillia) on May 28th, 2007. Pictured in **photo 1**, left to right: **Christine Johnstone '94**, **Paula Drew '83**, **Paul Delaney '64**, **Phillip Morgan '03**, and **Ellen Millar '89**.

1966

Members of the Montréal chapter got together for a "Green Trent potluck" dinner at **Graham Weeks'** house on April 21, 2007. Why "green"? Because **Graham's** son, **Arrien**, gave us a presentation of a school project that became reality: a green cottage in the Eastern Townships. Heat, ventilation, insulation, everything was conceived with preservation of the environment in mind. Even the roof is green with its plant cover. Very impressive! In **photo 2**, from left to right: **Doug Sweet '73**, **Marjolaine Boutin-Sweet '74**, **Graham Weeks**, **Margrietha Weeks**, **Arrien Weeks**, **Deborah Van Wyck '72**, **Nigel Roulet '75**, **Kathy Outerbridge '77**, **Derrick Farnham '83**, and **Leigh Bennett**.

1971

Following completion of a MA in War Studies at RMC and a three year tour in Turkey, **Clark Beamish** is currently the Senior Intelligence Officer at the Canadian Joint Delegation to NATO. He and his wife **Karen** enjoy the city life in Brussels and

hope to continue their nomadic lifestyle for a few more years before retiring (changing careers) to the west coast of Canada. **Clark** has fond memories of Champlain College and believes that the foundation for his success as an intelligence officer was accomplished at Trent, specifically due to outstanding mentoring from Professors **David Macmillan** and **Richard Dellamora**.

1974

**Wendy Laut** is still living in Perth, Ontario where she has owned **Shadowfax**, a retail boutique, for the last 27 years. In November she was elected Deputy Mayor of Perth, and sits on Town and County of Lanark Councils. Her son, now 22 is attending **Algonquin College** in Ottawa.

1978

**Nancy Strickland** sent the following from the Kingdom of Bhutan in the Eastern Himalayas:

"Recently the Finance Secretary of Bhutan hosted dinner at the newest restaurant in downtown Thimphu, **Norizam Fine Dining**, which is owned and operated by a recent Trent graduate, **Sonam Chuki Zimba '01**. The dinner was in honour of distinguished Trent alum, **Mr. Jonathan Laine '83**, CIDA's Country Manger for India, Bhutan, and Nepal, who was visiting Bhutan in May 2007 to discuss CIDA assisted projects with the Royal Government. **Nancy Strickland**, the Coordinator of the Bhutan Canadian Cooperation Office, also attended the dinner. She graduated from Trent in the early 1980's and has been in the eastern Himalayas for much of the last 20 years."

**Cathy McNamara** and **Steve Bernard** were married on October 14, 2006 in Tofino, BC (**photo 3**). **Cathy** was the Municipal Planner for the town, followed by two years with the Islands Trust on Salt Spring Island, but she followed her heart back to this beautiful community, and she and **Steve** were married that fall in a suitably west coast "casually elegant" fashion. A Trent friend who made it to the Tofino festivities was **David Widdis** and his wife **Laura**. **Steve** and **Cathy** followed the Tofino wedding with a reception in Ontario to celebrate with family and friends "back east", which included a far-too-brief reunion with Trent friends **Mark Cole '87** and his wife **Elaine**, **Paul and Karen (Bremner) Winkel '87**, **Barb Prevedello '88** and **Rod Cumming '87**. They recently finished building their dream home, **Steve** has a number of businesses keeping him busy, and **Cathy** has her own consulting and research company.

1990

**Lisa (Martin) Bailey** and **Tyler Bailey** were married August 8, 1998 and are pleased to have three daughters **Sarah Hope**, born June 2003, **Rachel Anne**, born January 2005 and **Hannah Elizabeth**, born May 2006.

1993

**Shannon (Sigtema)** and **David Bothof**, and big brother, **Jack**, are happy to announce the arrival of **Case James**, born on May 27, 2007, in Visalia, California. He was 8 days early, but he is safe and healthy!

**Lori Brown** and **Mike Fleet** were married in March 2005 (**photo**

4). They are proud to announce the birth of Abigail Daisy who arrived March 6, 2007 (**photo 5**). Any friends who would like to get in touch can email [lbrown@lbpearson.ca](mailto:lbrown@lbpearson.ca).

## 1998

Jon Garvin and Sarka Kubelikova welcomed their first child, Gabriella, into the world on April 4, 2007, in Mississauga (**photo 6**). Sarka is being kept busy at home, while Jon is finishing teacher's college.

## 2000

Jessica (McFarlane) Rowden married in Prince Edward Island on July 25, 2006 (**photo 7**). Rebecca Roncato, was in attendance at the wedding. The couple had a reception back home in Ontario where several Trent alumni friends joined them. The Rowdens currently live in Elora, Ontario.

Kristina Bradstreet and Matthew Thomas are happy to announce their marriage on April 14, 2007 in Port Perry (**photo 8**). Matt and Kristina had a lovely honeymoon in St. Lucia before returning to their respective classrooms. Kristina is a loyal LEC-er and loved her time at Trent in the English/ Con. Ed. programme. She now teaches students in grade four and five at Applecroft P.S. in Ajax. Matt and Kristina live in Whitby. Contact at [kristinaethomas@gmail.com](mailto:kristinaethomas@gmail.com). **T**



# The Kilduffs: A Trent Family Affair

*Pauline and Brian Kilduff have been attending Trent alongside their children, Naomi and Daniel.*

BY BRITTANY CADENCE '89

Convocation is always a special time for families, but for the Kilduff family this year's ceremony was cause for an even bigger celebration as it marked the graduation of **Pauline and Brian Kilduff '03**, who have been attending Trent together alongside their children, **Naomi '00** and **Daniel '05**.

Intent on completing their degree 27 years after they were married, Mr. and Mrs. Kilduff resigned from their positions and decided to attend university full-time four years ago. "It's been really exciting," explained Mrs. Kilduff. "We wanted to go to university for years and years, so reaching our graduation is a huge accomplishment for us."

The couple met at South Wales College in the UK, where both received their diplomas in theology. Their daughter, Naomi, was the one who encouraged them to attend Trent, where she was already a student. When their son Daniel also decided to pursue his degree at Trent, the Kilduff household became a busy hive of research, studying, writing, and mutual support for the four full-time university students.

Throughout their time as undergraduates, Mr. and Mrs. Kilduff benefited from the full Trent experience and even participated in the Year Abroad program, spending their third year studying together in Spain. Over the years, both par-



*The Kilduff family: front, **Pauline '03**; in back, **Naomi '00**, **Daniel '05** and **Brian '03**.*

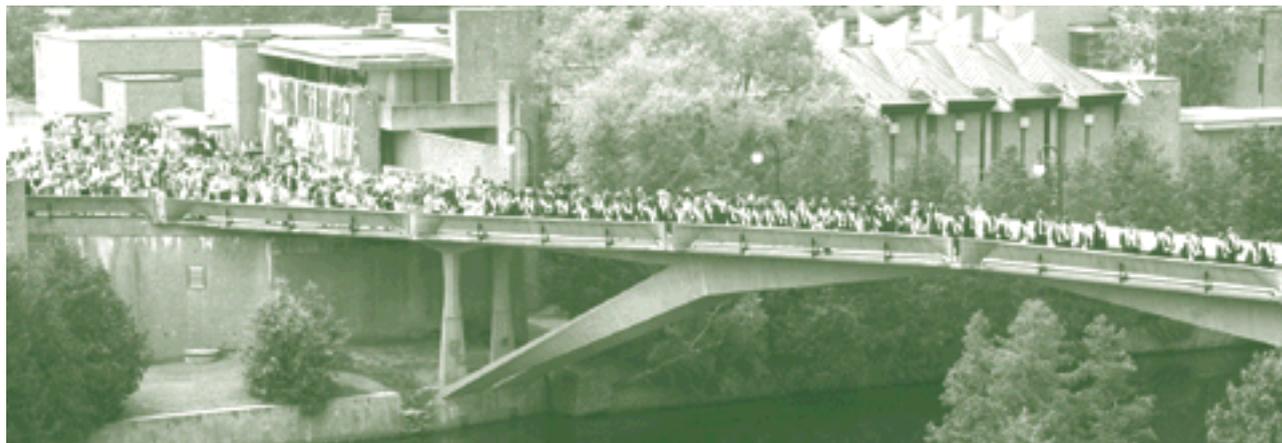
ents even found themselves in the same classes with their children. A highlight for the family involved a class presentation where the parents teamed up to perform the 1970s hit song "I Got You Babe" translated into Italian, with Mrs. Kilduff playing the role of Sonny,

and Mr. Kilduff dressed up as Cher.

Now that they have completed their studies, Mr. and Mrs. Kilduff hope their degrees will lead them to new career opportunities, ideally as teachers. **T**

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# Remember When...



BY TROY B. HAMMOND '90

**H**ow many times have you found yourself driving down a road with the radio blaring and a song comes on that immediately makes you think, “Commoner!”? It’s that song that got everybody up on the dance floor, jumping around and singing as loud as possible. Or how about when you’re talking with someone and you offer a response that starts with, “yeah, at Trent we used to...”, even though that person isn’t a Trent alum and probably has no idea about that memory to which you refer. Our memories allow us to reflect back upon a time that was instrumental in shaping us into the people we are now.

Dr. Wayne Flynt, Professor Emeritus of History at Auburn University in Alabama, described this process of remembering the past as a way of helping us to hold on to traditions that are important to us as we move into the future. More specifically, our memory has everything to do with the present. Memory helps us to shape our perspectives of the world around us. Therefore, if a memory was positive, we tend to long for that feeling and to find it in other things.

In a past issue of Trent Magazine I wrote an article about Trent alumni in the post secondary admissions profession. When

writing it I couldn’t help but think of my own experience with a Trent liaison officer and reflected upon that and, in turn, called for others to offer up their own memories.

**Sue Durnin '91** commented that she didn’t have an admissions interview, but upon applying to Trent “when I got a letter telling me to come, I was very happy. I was living in Banff at the time and all the ski bums thought that I was crazy. ‘Why do you want to go to university?’ they would say. I showed up, the university let me in, and the rest is history.”

**Laura Jessup '93** remembers her acceptance to Trent fondly. “It remains one of my life’s favourite memories. Everyone knows that a ‘thick envelope’ means acceptance and a thin one means ‘no go’, but it was more complicated in my case. I was applying to the Concurrent Education program and I had wanted to be a teacher my whole life... and Trent was the only school that I had applied to for Concurrent Education. Thus, when the thick envelope arrived, I was DYING to find out what information it held! I am proud to say that not only did I find out that I was accepted into the Con-Ed program, but was also offered an entrance scholarship and single room at Lady Eaton College. It was one of those rare moments in life

when everything I hoped for, and more, came together beautifully. I have now been teaching for almost a decade and I am thrilled, to this day, that Trent gave me that opportunity 14 years ago!”

Despite receiving what she initially thought was bad news, the Trent acceptance letter for **Natalie Coulter '90** was important for several reasons. “I remember collecting the mail and finding a thin envelope from the university. I was so sad as I thought a small envelope meant a rejection. I was working on my Simon Fraser University application at the time and assumed that SFU would have to be my alternative; however, the letter actually said that I was admitted to Trent. I believe that opened the doors to allow me to receive the best undergraduate education. (Author’s note: it also allowed her to meet me! Here we are, 17 years later!)

On a more humorous note, a contributor who wished to remain anonymous offered the following. “I don’t remember any stories about admissions specifically. Though, I do remember that my friend actually went for a tour of the colleges while we were still both attending high school in Whitby. When he got back he

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# In Memoriam

## Remembering Lorna

*Trent University was saddened to learn about the passing of alumna Lorna Hutcheson '79, who died suddenly at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Charlottetown, PEI on Friday, April 20, 2007, at the age of 46. The following tribute was offered by fellow alum Peter Rukavina, who met her while both attended Trent University.*

BY PETER RUKAVINA '85

I first met Lorna Hutcheson '79 twenty years ago. We became casual acquaintances while both working at Trent Radio; when Lorna and my friend Al got together a few months later, we entered that weird “the girlfriend of my friend” asymmetry, a combination of a free pass to friendship combined with the eggshells of each knowing that we might eventually end up on either sides of a break-up.

Lorna decided to move west, precipitated, in part, by a desire to explore alternatives to the social work career that she'd developed in Ontario. Empathetic by nature, and constitutionally unable to pay only partial attention, she was struggling, I think, with finding a way of being helpful to others without losing herself completely.

After a while Lorna and Al relocated to Vancouver Island, and while they remained intertwined, they eventually moved apart. I heard from Al from time to time, and other friends of mine crossed paths with Lorna and reported back, but we gradually lost touch with each other.

Then one day, several years later, out of the blue, Lorna called me. She'd been to Mexico, had fallen ill, had made it back to her moth-



er's in western Ontario to recuperate, and was looking for a place to crash for a while and plan her next moves.

I'd just moved into an overly large apartment in downtown Peterborough, so I invited Lorna to come and live in the back room.

Lorna and my irascible spaniel Penny got on like gangbusters, so when I had an opportunity to move to Texas and needed a temporary home for Penny while I was gone, Lorna generously stepped in. And when Lorna got her own opportunity to move—back to Vancouver Island—she gamely took Penny with her and we made

tentative plans to rendezvous a few months down the road to transfer parentage back.

As things worked out, I ran out of money, didn't make it west, and eventually it became obvious that Penny's new home was with Lorna. Every now and again I'd hear reports about Penny's new life from travelling friends. I learned about Lorna's new love Jay, and knew something of their life together, but for the most part Lorna and I lost touch with each other again for several years after that.

The next time I heard from Lorna, she and Jay had two children, were living in Colorado, and were relocating to my new home province of PEI. Once they arrived, I visited them—and Penny, now almost 10 years old and a sort of “dog emeritus,” with the spirit to be energetic but not always the flesh—and got to meet Armando and Yolanda and Jay for the first time and learn something of their path since I'd last seen Lorna many years earlier.

I'm happy to have known Lorna. My thoughts and prayers go out to Jay, Armando, and Yolanda, whose time with Lorna was so suddenly cut short. **T**

told me that the other residences seemed okay, but when he walked through one of the Otonabee College common rooms he saw people hanging out and cases of empty beer bottles stacked up. When he got back he told me that we should go to O.C., and we did!"

During personal conversations with the various contributors, it became obvious that their memories of being admitted to Trent exposed their fondness for the university and the many friends that were made during their under-

graduate years. The discussions also revealed their beliefs that an education of quality was earned, which has allowed them to go forth and experience success and happiness. They reflected upon getting into Trent as the beginning of something very meaningful.

So, the next time you find yourself singing along to an old favourite or reminiscing about good times, think about why those memories are important to you. Sit for a moment and write up a quick email to the alumni association letting us know your thoughts.

It only seems fitting that as this

issue of the magazine coincides with coverage of the 2007 convocation, alumni are asked to submit their reflections about their graduation day. What did it mean to you to walk across the podium to receive your degree? Were you sad to be leaving the university? Were you excited about your future prospects? Was it the last time you saw a special person at Trent? Why are those memories of your convocation important to you? Submit your reflections to *Trent Magazine* at [alumni@trentu.ca](mailto:alumni@trentu.ca). Look for the link entitled "Remembering When..." 

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This last expression may be new to some alumni; it is the Aboriginal term for gay people.

**R is for ROBINSON DINING HALL.**

Although all alumni regret the closing of Peter Robinson College, we are heartened by the fact that Sadleir House has been refurbished and is used by many organizations, and that it is the home to *Arthur*. The spacious, bright, and accessible dining hall at Peter Gzowski College has been named in honour of PRC. It houses displays and photographs relating to that college, and has the finest view on campus.

**S is for the SYMONS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING.**

Quality teaching is a given at Trent, and the university is committed to excellence in teaching. A huge number of alumni are fine teachers across the globe. The Symons Award is named in honour of Trent's founding president, a great educator who continues to teach and inspire those in the Trent community who are fortunate enough to meet him, and it is given each year to a Trent faculty member who carries on this tradition; this year it was awarded to History Professor Ivana Elbl, for-

mer head of Otonabee College.

**T is for Catharine Parr TRAILL COLLEGE.**

Traill College was one of the two founding colleges and is currently the only one still within the city of Peterborough. Traill has an active college cabinet that fought tenaciously to save the college from closing. Many alumni continue to follow the Traill saga with interest, and they rejoice at the news of its survival. It is not unusual to see THB Symons or Marion Fry at Traill functions, or to see fellows of the college or Principal Michael Peterman lunching with students.

**U is for UNIVERSITY BOOKSTORE.**

The University Bookstore is located on the ground level of Champlain College just north of the main stairs that lead to the University Court. It is the only place on campus to buy a newspaper, or Trent souvenirs and gifts. There is an ATM outside the facility and it is not unusual to see lengthy queues in both places, especially early in the academic year. The bookstore has an excellent assortment of books written by Trent professors, as well as other items that an undergraduate might need. No beer, no ciga-

rettes, and no groceries though.

**V is for VARSITY SPORTS.**

Trent has always encouraged participation in sport, and today it boasts the largest per-capita number of students engaged in sports of any university in the country. Although Trent doesn't participate in all varsity sports, they still flourish. Look at its soccer, rugby, swimming, volleyball, and rowing. Lacrosse is coming. Alumni, did you know that the Women's 8 who recently won a gold medal in rowing and did so in a vessel named "The Commoner"?!

**W is for WORSFOLD WATER QUALITY CENTRE.**

The striking glass-faced Worsfold Water Quality Centre (WWQC) located across the river from the Bata Library was named in honour of Graham and Lynn Worsfold in 2005. Mr. Worsfold was the founder of DigiPoS Systems Group, leaders in the field of technology in business. The WWQC is a state-of-the-art multi-disciplinary facility that focuses on determining trace quantities of inorganic and organic substances found in aquatic environments.



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## X is for Dr. Marguerite XENOPOULOS.

Biology Professor Maggie Xenopoulos has been awarded \$150,000 by the Province of Ontario's Ministry of Research and Innovation to study the impact of climate change on freshwater ecosystems. As she pointed out in a recent interview, major rivers always have dams, and when water levels change to suit recreational or industrial purposes it destroys fish habitats and reduces biodiversity.

## Y is for YEAR ABROAD PROGRAMS.

Year Abroad Programs are offered to undergraduates to provide opportunities to study language, literature, and culture for one year at a host university in France, Spain or Germany; International Development Studies (IDS)

in Ghana or Ecuador; or Indigenous Studies in Thailand—options never dreamt of by many older alumni. And that's not all.

## Z is for ZIMBABWE.

Not many Trent words begin with the letter "Z", but Zimbabwe and Zambia come to mind. And if we think of Zimbabwe we must consider the Trent International Program. TIP began more than two decades ago. Two dramatic examples of TIP's presence are the collection of international flags hanging on the Champlain College wall at the University Court on Convocation Day (TIP's offices are just behind that wall) and World Day during Introductory Seminar Week (ISW). By the way, Trent Chancellor Roberta Bondar viewed Zimbabwe from space.

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