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Tony Storey '71,
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EDITOR'S NOTES

Trent's Splendid Feast

DONALD FRASER '91

I'll be honest with you
here.

My main memories
of food at Trent revolve
around various pots of
Kraft dinner.

Post-Commoner Kraft Dinner. Post-
Piggy Kraft Dinner. And, as a Traill-ite,
post-Trend Kraft Dinner.

Anyone who witnessed my eating
habits back then will tell you this: those
were probably my most nutritious meals
of the day.

I gained plenty of nourishment
during my time at Trent. I feasted
gloriously on a thousand years of
literature. I drank deeply from the
experience of wizened academics. I
gained sustenance from the community
that surrounded me.

But I ate like a guy who had just left
home for the very first time.

A lot has changed over the years.

I've moved from cheap draught to
Ontario micro-brews. I prefer local wines
on a Saturday night. And there hasn't
been a box of Kraft Dinner in my house
for 15 years.

In fact, I've found a side-career
creating, writing about, and teaching
others about local, seasonal food. I've
matured, I guess. Or at least my palate
has.

All of which makes the bringing
together of this edition that much more
exciting.

Trent, you may be surprised to
learn, has housed a number of truly
great foodies. Among our alumni, we
have world-class winemakers, restaurant
owners, chefs and growers. You'll read
about a few of them here, as well as
online.

If that weren't enough, I am
also excited to help showcase a new
academic program in Sustainable
Agriculture to our alumni base. This
program will help produce a new



generation of sustainable
growers to the world,
meaning the food on our
tables will be even that
much better.

But, as excited as I

am about the food theme of this issue,
I have mixed emotions about our cover
story. I am somewhat saddened to think
that this will be my final chance to work
with Tony Storey on *Trent Magazine*.
Tony helped bring me back into an
active role with the Alumni Association,
you see. He helped lead me back to the
nourishing table of community, learning,
and sharing that being an alumnus
represents.

Of course, through his hard work
and dedication, he has done the same
for hundreds, if not thousands of Trent
Alumni over the years. His presence will
be deeply missed, both in Peterborough
and in Oshawa.

Sure, I am excited for him. Yes,
I think that he is richly deserving of a
good, long break and a fruitful life of
retirement. And I wish him all of the
best...

But it will be sad to not have my
monthly meetings with him at the Old
Stone, Brio Gusto, and, yes, the Pig's Ear.

It is only fitting, then, with this
being both a food and drink issue and a
farewell issue to Tony, that I raise a toast
to the man of the hour... Heck, the man
of the past three decades.

Here's to Tony Storey.

Cheers! ❖

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in a "Letters" section. We'll also be
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thoughts on *Trent Magazine*. Drop us a
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What's New at Trent



Justin Chiu Stadium Dedication

To celebrate the official conclusion of the successful Trent University Sport, Recreation & Wellness for All Campaign, and to honour international alumnus **Justin Chiu '76**, who donated \$1 million to support the new Trent Community Sport & Recreation Centre (TCSRC), the University hosted a special Justin Chiu Stadium Dedication event. The public event, which took place in May, featured live music by

The Resolutionaries Marimba Band and the Peterborough Children's Chorus as well as exhibition games with Peterborough Minor Lacrosse and Peterborough City Soccer and a grand finale fireworks display. ♦

Trent University Digs Oshawa's History

From August 23rd to September 3rd, Trent University Oshawa, in partnership with the Oshawa Community Museum, will be offering a new field course in anthropology that will feature a two-week archaeological dig on the waterfront in Oshawa, followed by lab work. ♦

Dr. Ray Dart Receives Excellence in Education Award



Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation's (CMHC) Ontario Research and Information Transfer team presented **Raymond Dart '82** of the Business Administration Program with an Excellence in Education Award this past March. The Award honours outstanding educational contributions to sustainable practices. Recipients are selected based on their efforts to integrate sustainable concepts in housing and community development into the academic curriculum.

Ray was central to the creation and development of Peterborough Green-Up, a community-based, non-profit environmental organization whose mission is to enhance environmental health in the Peterborough region. Peterborough Green-Up is now widely recognized as one of the most successful community-based environmental organizations in Canada and has received international attention for its work. ♦

Dr. Suresh Narine is Named to Canada's Top 40 Under 40

Suresh Narine '91, director of the Trent University Centre for Biomaterials Research and professor of Physics & Astronomy and Chemistry, was featured in *The Globe and Mail* as one of "Canada's Top 40 Under 40" for 2011.

A Trent University alumnus, Suresh, originally from Guyana, is an internationally-renowned expert in biomaterials, whose work focuses on the utilisation of plant oils to create "environmentally-friendly" materials such as polymers, lubricants, adhesives and drug delivery matrices for everyday use. He is the author of two textbooks in the area of lipid crystallization, and co-author of numerous scientific publications and patents. ♦



Appointment of VP Research and International

Trent University is pleased to announce the appointment of Neil Emery as the new vice-president Research and International, effective July 1, 2011, for a five-year term. Professor Emery assumes this position from Jim Parker, whose term ends on June 30, 2011.

Neil has been at Trent since 2000, and has served as the director of the Environmental and Life Sciences Graduate Program from 2006 to 2009 and as associate vice-president Research from 2009 to 2011. ♦

TUARC Celebrates 10th Anniversary

The Trent University Archaeological Research Centre



(TUARC) held an open house this past April to celebrate its tenth anniversary and to showcase its accomplishments over the past decade to faculty, students and members of the public.

TUARC was established in May 2001, to support archaeological research, to encourage the study of archaeology at Trent, and to educate the public about archaeology and cultural heritage. ♦



Dr. Steven E. Franklin

So often at Trent, transitions create the promise of new opportunities. As we congratulate a new wave of graduates at Convocation 2011, we understand that the conclusion of their formal studies here often mean new beginnings in their lives and new relationships with the University as valued alumni.

With its image of Tony Storey, the cover of this issue pays tribute to someone who has exemplified the spirit of alumni engagement, and is now transitioning into retirement, which, in reality, will simply be a new form of engagement for this accomplished and respected colleague. I believe it is appropriate that as we acknowledge Tony on his achievements as Trent's director of Alumni Affairs, we also celebrate with all the new Trent graduates as they join the ranks of 40,000 alumni the world over.

Earlier this year, at Trent's new Spring Thaw Open House event, I had the opportunity to meet some of Trent's incoming generation of students. Their fresh perspectives, sharp questions, and enthusiasm for Trent's distinct environment and offerings were affirming. Many commented on the value of the unique Open House opportunity; they were pleased to be able to meet so many of Trent's dedicated faculty and staff. It spoke volumes to them about the vibrant and engaged communities of learning, teaching and research they

Staying Connected with the Trent Experience

would encounter as students at Trent. Many students respond enthusiastically to Trent's clear commitment to enriched learning environments, quality and innovation. Trent offers exactly the kind of rich and varied learning experience that many students are seeking in an increasingly wide range of disciplinary and interdisciplinary programs.

Nurturing the unique Trent experience and our overall commitment to academic excellence is the first priority of the final draft of *Toward a Sustainable Future: The First Integrated Plan for Trent University (2010-2015)* which was approved unanimously by Senate on May 10, 2011. The Integrated Plan, which will go to the Board of Governors for their approval at the end of June 2011, highlights four Institutional Priorities for this year:

- Commitment to Academic Excellence (supported by an Academic Plan for Trent University)
- Commitment to Strategic Enrolment Management
- Commitment to Achieving Financial Stability (supported by a Multiyear Budget Framework)
- Commitment to Strengthening Community Engagement

These Priorities emphasize the possibilities of a decisive transition for

Trent University. The development of the Academic Plan for Trent University will be a clear signal that the academic mission – based on our renewal of Vision, Mission, and Strategic Directions – provides our guiding values. One of the most important considerations is to make progress in achieving the recruitment and retention targets in Trent University's Multiyear Enrolment and Retention Plan (updated March 2011). And an overall goal is to move toward a sustainable financial future based on existing and emerging university strengths. In the final year of the Integrated Plan, our 50th anniversary in 2014-2015, we will have set the stage for Trent's next transition – to be clarified in Trent's Second Integrated Plan (2016-2021).

It is always a priority for the University is to celebrate our successes, past and present. It gave me great pleasure to join some of our most accomplished alumni at the 2011 Alumni Awards held in May. It is Trent's good fortune that our graduates carry a strong "sense of place" in their passion for what they do and a continuing desire to be connected with their alma mater long after they have completed their studies. ♦

Dr. Steven E. Franklin
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Left to right: Adam Guzkowski, Steven Franklin, Tony Storey and Justin Chiu at 2011 Alumni Awards evening.



Planning a (Really Big) Party

ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT, ADAM GUZKOWSKI '95

In just a few short years, Trent will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary, and Trent Alumni will be playing a key role in commemorating this momentous milestone in the University's history. There is already a team coming together to lead our involvement in the festivities, with a range of alumni representing our history, from the first decade to the current one.



Tony Storey with Alumni Association President, Adam Guzkowski

We've had two alumni Think Tanks to brainstorm visions for what we think the 50th Anniversary could include, and goals for how we're going to make that happen. We are already on a roll, and gaining momentum with every passing moment. Having said that, to make this the most outstanding anniversary celebration possible, we need even more alumni to participate in planning the festivities.

Every alumni has something to bring to the table. Memories and experiences, insights and ideas, skills and talents. So take a moment to reflect on your own Trent experiences, and on how you'd want to celebrate those. Think about who you'd want to celebrate with, and where, and when. Now get in touch, get involved, and help make that happen!

Now, on the off chance that you don't know exactly how you want to celebrate, but you know that you do... get in touch anyways! This is a singular



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opportunity to share our many different memories of Trent, and to celebrate with old friends and new. What's more, this celebration will be a way to step into the next 50 years of a strong and sustainable Trent University, with both style and substance.

I have no doubt that it will be absolutely fabulous. And I look forward to sharing it with you. ❖

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Trent's New Alumni Affairs Director

Lee Hayes '91, has been appointed Director of Alumni Affairs, effective July 1, 2011. Lee has been working at the university as the Coordinator of Annual Giving, and most recently as the Campaign Manager for the Trent Community Sport and Recreation Centre. She studied at Trent as a Lady Eaton College student from 1991 to 1995, majoring in Psychology. Lee has also been serving as the Vice President, Campus Affairs for the Trent University Alumni Association.



Are you interested in volunteering with the Alumni Association?

We are looking for Alumni Councillors and committee members. Our committees range from policy and governance to awards and recognition to *Trent Magazine* editorial board. If you are interested in learning more about these volunteer opportunities, please contact Alumni Association VP **Kylie Patrick '94** at keeps26@gmail.com.

Toasting Tony Storey



LIZ FLEMING '77

I clearly remember the first time I saw Tony Storey – but I sure didn't want to meet him.

Still underage, I was intent on sliding into the Cat's Ass without having to show my charmingly homemade fake ID. Leaning against a table at the entrance to the pub, greeting everyone who passed, Tony was a barricade between me and the pub party I wasn't about to miss.

Employing a clever combination of line-weaving, faked coughing fit and sudden urgent need to catch up with

someone already inside, I managed to avoid talking to him.

That was the last time that ever happened – I've never avoided Tony since.

After that, and for the past 33 years, Tony has been a big part of my – and my husband **Jamie's (Fleming '76)** – association with Trent.

That, as Martha Stewart would say, is a good thing.

Tony has been for us, as for thousands of other alumni, a vital link to our alma mater. More importantly, he's been a favourite friend.

Jamie's association with Tony began when they were both college assistants – Jamie at Champlain and Tony at Otonabee. Together with **Tom Moore '76** at Lady Eaton, **Lynn Neufeld '68** at Traill, and Eileen Allemang at Peter Robinson, the college assistants were on a near-constant voyage of discovery.

Says Jamie of those days: "We were new and always doing something we'd never done before. We relied on Tom, Lynn and Eileen – who had a bit more experience – and we had a ton of fun!" Tony remembers those days fondly as well.

*"He's the genuine article.
Tony makes you laugh, shares his passion for Trent, and lets you
know that your contribution is needed and appreciated.
Next thing you know, you're hooked."*

"We used to hold meetings in my backyard," he laughs. No minutes were kept and no holds were barred. "We'd just blow it out our shorts."

Although he loved the college assistant position, it was when Tony made the shift to Trent's Alumni Office that he began to make his mark on the University.

And quite a mark it is. In the years since Tony has been at the helm, the alumni association has swelled from just 8,800 members to more than 36,000.

Every one of us matters to him, and he'll tell you it's been a privilege to keep track of, stay in touch with, and generally shepherd us along for the last 27 years.

And he'll tell you that with great honesty.

"Trent has produced so many incredible people!" he tells me. "It's been wonderful to work with alums like **Janet Wright '67**, who is one of the country's most talented executive search specialists; to visit **David James '68** in his glass-working studio in Quebec; and tour backstage at the National Arts Centre with **Denis Desjardins '76**."

"Once, long before 9/11, I was boarding a plane and discovered that the pilot was a Trent grad," he smiles. "Before I knew it, I was in the cockpit, visiting!"

It was a visit from Tony, in fact, that led to my own surprisingly lengthy stint as editor of *Trent Magazine*.

Tony asked me for three volunteer years and before I knew it, 17 had passed.

The secret to his wonderful success is simple: he's the genuine article. Tony makes you laugh, shares

his passion for Trent, and lets you know that your contribution is needed and appreciated.

Next thing you know, you're hooked.

And that's another good thing.

During my time with the magazine, I was always proud to brag that, despite our relatively small numbers, the Trent alumni consistently outdid counterparts at much larger universities – thanks, in large part, to the efforts of Tony, **Kathleen Easson '78** and Sylvia Hennessy.

Tony and Kathleen have been raising money and spirits in the Trent alumni world for so long, they're now able to communicate telepathically! Scary stuff.

Says Tony, "Sometimes I'll walk into the office and Kathleen will say, 'Do you know what I woke up thinking about at 4 a.m. last night?' The weird thing is...I DO know exactly what she was thinking...because I was thinking the same thing!"

And the rest of us have to use email and telephones!

Speaking of telepathic communication, as I type this, I can hear Tony reminding me that an enormous amount of credit should go to the presidents and members of the various alumni councils with whom he's worked over the years.

"Liz, don't forget to stress the contributions of the presidents of the Alumni Council: **Michael Nolan '68**, **Phil Playfair '83**, **Kevin Midghall '77**, **John Currie '76**, **Mary Elizabeth Luka '80**, **Paul Moore '80**, **Cheryl Davies '68**, **Rod Cumming '87**, **Maureen Brand '89**,

Matt Griem '97, and **Adam Guzkowski '95**."

The names roll off his tongue easily. As they should. He's reeling off a list of life-long friends.

It's equally easy for him to come up with a list of what he calls the highlights of his career, many of which have come about as by-products of his years of traveling in order to keep us all connected to Trent.

"The one thing I've always said about my job is that the Trent alumni do not live under my desk. If I want to stay in touch, I have to go to them."

And he has, meeting with alumni donors such as **Stephen Stohn '66**, the producer of *"Degrassi"* and **David Patterson '66**, Head of Northwater Capital, whose leadership contribution helped to endow the Kenneth Mark Drain Chair in Ethics. Both welcomed Tony so graciously that he reports feeling almost as if "we were giving them substantial gifts – not the reverse!"

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Tony with David Patterson '66 and Anne Patterson, donors to the Kenneth Mark Drain Chair in Ethics.

*Note: I later learned that Tony was just socializing and someone else was checking ID. Given that more than three decades have passed since I slid into that pub, I'm guessing the University's liquor license isn't in jeopardy!



What Tony doesn't seem to realize is that he has given us all substantial gifts, simply by doing his job with such passion for so many years.

Other highlights for Tony include chairing the T.H.B. Symons Retirement Dinner – a task of monumental importance.

"When you're honouring someone like Tom Symons," Tony says, "you've got to get it right."

Following endless planning meetings with such Trent notables as Michael Treadwell and Nancy Sherouse, Tony remembers the final event being everything he'd hoped it would be for Tom.

"It was what we'd all hoped... the event... the naming of the Symons Campus... the gift of a spectacular table, handmade by our Trent carpenters and set with door handles from Rubidge Hall... Everything was wonderful."

Recognizing the movers and shakers in the development of our University has always been a focus for Tony, who spent endless hours organizing the dedication of the John Leishman Courtyard at Alumni House. Dick Sadlier called after the event to say, "Tony, all the right people were there, all the right things were said and all the right words were used."

"That meant so much to me," says Tony.

Doing things for others is what Tony's life, both at Trent and beyond, has been all about. In addition to his dedication to the Trent alumni, staff, faculty and students, Tony has been a lifelong Big Brother to Lawrie and Brad, two then-boys-now-men he mentored and now considers part of his family.

"One of the things I'm looking forward to doing when I retire is spending more time with Lawrie's son Zack. He's growing up and I want to be sure I get to more of his games!"

Though Tony has spent much of his career turning the spotlight on the achievements and contributions of other alumni, it's now time for a little Storey fanfare.



Tony Storey '71

at their national banquet in Quebec City in early June.

All of these accolades will be memorable, but perhaps the most surprising and touching salute to Tony took place just a few weeks ago outside a pub in Hamilton when, following a visit, "just to stay in touch," alumnus **Charles Meanwell '66** pulled out his bagpipes and piped the venerable Mr. Storey to his car.

That's the stuff of which Trent legends – and characters like Tony Storey are made.

In conclusion, I'll quote Tony, who likes to bend the wise words of the writer L.P. Hartley, when he says, "Trent is a foreign country. They do things differently there."

Differently, yes, and when Tony Storey is involved, they do them better. ♦

The Tony Storey Courtyard

One of Tony Storey's accomplishments was bringing the Alumni Affairs office to "Alumni House," originally the master's lodge at Champlain College. Here, alumni relations programs could grow in a remarkable facility that would provide a solid home-base for some of Trent's most prized historic treasures while hosting University community events, alumni activities, and guests from around the world.

The new home of many social gatherings to come, the north courtyard at Alumni House has already held events from Homecoming and Head of the Trent alumni celebrations, to Board of Governor luncheons. Naming the courtyard after Tony will ensure his continued presence at social gatherings and parties, while honouring him as the original host who brought us all home to Alumni House. ♦

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September 17, 2011**

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THE ATHLETICS CENTRE
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Building a “New Peterborough” in Ontario’s Grey County

Chef Shawn Adler ‘00 opens *The Flying Chestnut Kitchen* in Eugenia

JONATHAN PINTO ‘06

As a high school student in Peterborough, one of my fondest memories was spending my third period spare with a meal at *Lunch*, an eclectic little mid-day eatery on Charlotte Street. The local, lovingly prepared and presented food was a wonderful blend of the familiar and the creative, and truly, it was one of the City’s most unique establishments.

When I found out that owner **Shawn Adler ‘00** (who also operated the famed *Aasmaabik’s Bakery & Bistro* on George Street) was moving away from Peterborough just as I was starting my undergrad in 2006, I was immensely saddened. Though *Lunch* continues under new ownership, and still sells excellent fare, it is simply not the same.

While I was at Trent, I landed the fantastic gig of being the restaurant critic for *Arthur*, and held the post from 2007-2010. Though I still firmly believe that Peterborough and its environs have one of the best restaurant scenes in the province, I longed for the inventive creations I enjoyed as a teen. Thus, when I was told that Chef Adler had opened a new restaurant in the tiny village of Eugenia, Ontario, I immediately started planning an excursion and asked **Leslie Chapman ‘06** to accompany me.

Located in beautiful Grey County, Eugenia is about a two-hour drive

north of Toronto and is so small that there’s no listed population (though I’m told that it’s “something like” 200). *The Flying Chestnut Kitchen* (FCK) is located in Eugenia’s former post office and general store, which had been vacant before Shawn purchased it in 2007.

After 3 years of painstaking restoration, the restaurant held its grand opening in June of 2010.

art, a gorgeous wood stove, and, of course, an open kitchen. Introducing myself to Shawn, I was delighted to discover that **Jason Hayes ‘99** – who helped run *Lunch*, and now operates a farm near Eugenia – is involved with the FCK as sous chef.

One of the nation’s most innovative culinary artists, Shawn Adler was first introduced to cooking when he took a high school culinary class. Discovering a real knack and love for the art, he then enrolled in the two-year program at the prestigious Stratford Chefs School, all the while working in local restaurants. Despite Shawn’s completion of the program, his parents weren’t fully convinced that cooking was a career, and thus, encouraged him to go to university. Thus, he followed his younger brothers to Trent, where he majored in Native Studies, and incorporated food into much of his research.

On his very first day in Peterborough, Shawn was hired as the full-time sous chef at the celebrated *38 Degrees*. He worked there until his third year, when, seeing an opportunity, Shawn opened *Aasmaabik’s Bakery & Bistro* at the corner of Edinburgh and George. The restaurant was a critical and popular hit, and led to the opening of *Lunch* two years later. The incredible part? He managed this all while working on his degree.



Shawn Adler ‘00 (left) and Jason Hayes ‘99 outside the *Flying Chestnut* in Eugenia, Ontario.

With seating inside for 36 and another 12 on the front porch, the FCK is open Thursday through Sunday serving both local clientele and tourists seeking a destination restaurant. (And if you’re wondering, the name of the restaurant derives from the large chestnut tree behind it – and the chestnut fights it enabled).

As soon as I stepped into the FCK, memories of both *Lunch* and *Aasmaabik’s* came flooding back. The décor is classic Adler, featuring a combination of earthy wooden tones, modern – yet rustic – fixtures and



***The Flying Chestnut Kitchen** is located at 199 Pellissier Street in Eugenia, Ontario. Reservations can be made by calling (519) 924-1809. Shawn also recently opened a second restaurant in nearby Flesherton called **The Flying Spatula Diner**, featuring old-fashioned classics.*

scratch ethos extends far beyond the food – even the plates and glasses are custom made.

For my main, I ordered the Pan-Fried Georgian Bay Whitefish, which was topped with a bacon-corn chowder sauce and served with fingerling potatoes, carrots and asparagus. Beautifully presented, the dish tasted as fresh as it looked, with the playful chowder sauce complementing the incredibly executed whitefish in a manner I can only describe as divine. Truly, this meal was a triumph, and with such generous portions, neither Leslie nor I had room for dessert.

With the involvement of Trent alumni, a welcoming atmosphere, a sustainable, ethical commitment to thinking outside the (culinary) box and even regular live performances by such well-known Peterborough bands as The Kindness Killers and the Silver Hearts, I truly felt I was in familiar territory at the FCK.

In fact, by drawing in such talent, it's almost as if the goal of *The Flying Chestnut Kitchen* were to, as Jason lightheartedly joked, "build a new Peterborough."

I strongly suggest you support this mission, if only for dinner. I know I will. ♦

Trent taught him to, as he put it, "question everything," and his approach to food – from his focus on local and organic ingredients, to his incredibly creative but extremely approachable dishes – truly demonstrates this.

With a large reservation streaming in, I let Shawn and Jason get back to work and sat down to dinner. The food at the FCK is "not unlike *Aasmaabik's*" – in other words, something that could perhaps be described as "refined country." After ordering a homemade cranberry-lemon soda, I started perusing the beautifully hand-written menu, but was soon gently interrupted by Shawn, who came bearing an amuse-bouche of mini beer-battered

onion rings. Served with a gorgeously creamy dill sauce, the rings were wonderfully crispy, and an excellent start to what would end up being one of the finest meals this food writer has ever had the joy of experiencing.

To start, Leslie and I shared a trio of lamb sliders, each served with a different sauce – mint raita, garlic-rosemary aioli, and spiced tomato confit – that brought out a different, but equally glorious, aspect of the lamb. Everything at the FCK is made on site, including the fantastic bread (potato-cheddar on our visit), and butter (smoked paprika and curried, both of which I watched Shawn prepare as I chatted with him earlier). The from-



There was cause for celebration this spring at the Seasoned Spoon, Trent's student-run alternative café, when students voted to give the restaurant a one-time \$2.00 levy to help fund the construction of a root cellar. The root cellar, to be built at Champlain College, will help the café in their mission to provide healthy, locally-sourced and ethically produced food to the Trent community. It will also function as a site for educational workshops and volunteerism.

"As someone who has been involved in the root cellar project for the last three years, approaching the build is truly a dream come true," says Spoon Board Member and Trent Community Garden Co-ordinator, Tegan Moss. "I am proud to have borne witness to the countless hours spent by dedicated Spoon members, volunteers, and employees which have made this project possible."

The cellar is the most significant of several food storage initiatives that the café is pursuing. A series of student research projects, starting in 2007, examined barriers to making locally grown food accessible year-round. Storage emerged as a main problem.

Not all local farmers have their own storage space, so, come winter, there is little local produce available. By building a storage facility, the Spoon will be able to buy more local food in the fall and sell it until fresh food becomes available again in the spring.

From the Field

to the Cellar, to the Table

Trent Students to Build Root Cellar at Champlain College



Left to right: Emily Blondin-Doan, Tegan Moss, and Aja Cy. Photo courtesy of Christine Sy.

There are other benefits as well. The Spoon will be able to purchase more food in bulk, reducing packaging and cost. Carbon emissions associated with shipping will be reduced. But, most importantly, by purchasing more local food, the Spoon will be able to honour its mandate of being a café with real roots in the community.

Since announcing the project, the Spoon has been bombarded by requests to lend a helping hand, and the cellar will be built by a team of volunteers this summer. The construction, which will take 4-6 weeks, is just the first example of the opportunities for community building which the cellar will make possible.

The cellar will be constructed using sustainable building practices. The foundation and the walls will be made from compressed bags of earth and it will be built with a green roof. The green roof will offer insulation to the vegetables below and opportunities for educational programming.

The cellar will be sunk 4-6 feet into the ground, which will create temperatures around 6 degrees Celsius. Earth walls, called burms, will also be built up around the structure to increase insulation. Batteries or solar panels will provide the little light that will be needed.

A variety of vegetables will be kept in the cellar. Cabbages, radishes and parsnips will be stored on shelves built into the walls, and squash, onions, and garlic will be hung from overhead, creating a kind of canopy of organic produce. Seeds can be bred to produce food that stores longer, and there are plans to start growing storage-ready vegetables at the Trent Vegetable Gardens.

The project comes with a \$35,000 price tag – which the Spoon has addressed through years of fundraising.

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**Tegan Moss,
Seasoned Spoon Board Member**



Left to right: Candice Cloutier, Aviva Hagen, Robyn Smith, Johnson Msuya, Francis Grondin-Robitaille, Julian Weirisma, Tegan Moss.

The Cooperator's Insurance Impact Fund, the Carrot Cache, Sustainable Trent, the Trent Graduate Students' Association, and the members of the Seasoned Spoon Cooperative have all contributed funds. And then there is the new levy, which will allow the Spoon to reach their goal. Spoon members have also been "blown away"

by the support of the University, which has donated the land at Champlain College.

"There have been a lot of steps and a lot of people involved," explains Moss.

"From past Trent Centre for

Community Based Education projects to story boards, from grant applications to floor plans, from committee meetings to fundraisers. From past TCCBE projects to story boards, from grant applications to floor plans, from committee meetings to fundraisers."

The root cellar is a truly exciting project, one that will enable the Seasoned Spoon to better provide the Trent Community with ethically-sourced food. It will also allow students and other members of the Spoon Cooperative to become more engaged with the process that brings their food to them: from the field, to the cellar, to the table.

If you come to campus this fall, come check out the cellar at Champlain College, and stop in at the Spoon (located in the former Champlain Senior Common Room) for a bite. ❖



Trent's Rich Feast



Peter Bell

Peter Bell '75 has been working in the wine industry for decades. He is currently the winemaker at Fox Run Vineyards, located in the Finger Lakes region of upstate New York. His responsibilities there include overseeing every step in the production process. This includes making important decisions about how to proceed with developing wines, for which he draws on his years of experience and education. Peter is clearly doing his job well, as the wines coming out of Fox Run are receiving numerous accolades and awards, both locally and internationally. Peter also consults and lectures around the world.

Jane Wright '80 opened Jane's on the Common, a neighbourhood restaurant in downtown Halifax, in 2003. The restaurant became an immediate success and, eight years later, continues to draw hungry crowds. The menu features an array of healthy and tasty options, many of which make use of the city's supply of

fresh seafood. Highlights include the maritime breakfast (two eggs and a haddock fillet), and the scallop, lobster and haddock fish cakes. Ingredients are fresh and local whenever possible. The "wildly popular" restaurant has received numerous positive reviews in Halifax publications, and has also been featured in *Chatelaine Magazine* and the *Toronto Star*.

Pat Learmonth '73 owns and operates a 100-acre certified organic farm near Peterborough with her husband, David Conrad. They specialize in pasture-raised chickens (available for farmgate sales) and grow certified organic grains and oilseeds, which they sell to mills in Ontario for processing. They also help keep a large vegetable garden which feeds them and their friends. Pat is heavily committed to the principles of organic growing – soil stewardship, the preservation of heritage breeds, the avoidance of genetic modification and chemical free food production. She also works as an on-farm steward throughout the region and provides support and advice to aspiring farmers through a small non-profit project called Farms at Work.

Rod Phillips '69 is a prolific wine writer based in Ottawa and is internationally recognized as an expert on the topic. Rod writes books, articles, reviews and news. He has also curated museum wine exhibitions and organized conferences. He is responsible for a weekly column in the *Ottawa Citizen*, produces two electronic newsletters, writes the annual *500 Best Value Wines at the LCBO*,

and is the author of *A Short History of Wine*, published by Penguin Books. He regularly acts as a judge in international wine competitions. His passion and knowledge has earned him numerous awards.



Richard Johnston

Richard Johnston '64 owns and operates By Chadsey's Cairns, a vineyard and winery in Prince Edward County, Ontario. The bicentennial farm is 215 acres, and overlooks Lake Ontario. Richard grows the grapes and his wife, Vida, makes the wine. Richard finds nurturing his plants and watching them grow very satisfying. He also thoroughly enjoys the product of his labour. From March until Christmas it is a seven day a week enterprise, but the team is happy doing it. Richard and Vida also welcome visitors to the farm for a variety of events.

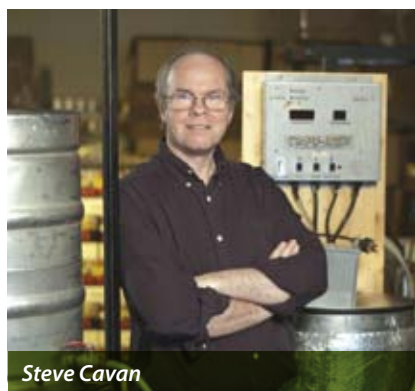
Marion Wylie '01 coordinates the Grow a Row program for the Greater Victoria Compost Education Centre. Grow a Row is a National campaign to encourage individuals to plant an extra row of food in their gardens and then donate that extra food and any other surplus they may wish to donate to the food bank. The Grow a Row program for Victoria offers free seeds, plant starts, gardening workshops, a telephone hotline and other support to help get beginner gardeners into the garden. They aim to promote food security in Victoria and also provide fresh local produce to transition houses, school food programs, and other charitable organizations.

Donald Fraser '91 wears a number of hats. While his main business, Small Print Writing and Consulting, keeps him busy as a writer and communications consultant (including the post of Editor for *Trent Magazine*), he has taken a love of local, seasonal cooking and fashioned it into a part-time catering/food writing/education business. Farm to Table Catering (made up of Donald and his wife, **Krista Campbell Fraser '97**) handles small catering gigs, hosts a column and blog in *Peterborough This Week*, appears regularly in local Peterborough media, and provides workshops on sourcing,



Donald Fraser

growing, preserving, and preparing seasonal food from the Peterborough area. Look for their local cooking courses to be offered in Peterborough starting this summer.



Steve Cavan

Steve Cavan '77 owns and operates the Paddock Wood Brewing Co. in Saskatoon. With degrees in ancient Greek poetry and philosophy, Steve has no formal brewing training, but he has taught himself the trade through lots of practice and time spent researching in libraries. When Steve moved to Saskatoon in 1992, he found a shortage of good craft beer. So he started making his own. And then opened a mail-order supply store for people wanting to do the same. His company has since changed its emphasis, and now sells beer exclusively. Steve makes all sorts of beers: dubbels, wheat beers, pilsners, ales, and more. His beers are available throughout Canada.

We have been flooded with food stories for this edition of Pursuits and Accomplishments. For your regular Pursuits and Accomplishments, please visit our brand new blog at www.trentmagazine.wordpress.com



Jillian Bishop

Jillian Bishop '98 runs the Urban Tomato (<http://urbantomato.blogspot.com>) out of her downtown Peterborough home. Jill specializes in heirloom seed saving as well as in seed and seedling sales. She also delivers workshops on growing heirloom vegetables and the art of harvesting and using seeds. While she knows her way around the entire garden, she specializes in tomatoes. Jill has a love of all types of local food – an enthusiasm that had led her to her post as coordinator of the Peterborough Downtown Farmers' Market. If that weren't enough, she also helps spread the gardening word through her work with the Peterborough Community Garden Network.

Michael Sacco, Trent Ph.D.

Candidate is the founder of ChocoSol, a community social enterprise that produces fair-trade and eco-friendly chocolate. ChocoSol imports its ingredients from forest gardening indigenous farmers in Mexico. Their trade relationships are rooted in friendship and reciprocity, and not global markets. Their signature chocolate is not only delicious and nutritious, but ecologically sound. Michael believes that for something to be sustainable, it has to be fun, and ChocoSol revives the sense of fun in food production through workshops and demonstrations. Michael's goal is to "participate in reclaiming chocolate, not as a candy for the masses, but as the food of the gods." ❖

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

New Sustainable Agriculture Program Tackles Food Security Issues

DONALD FRASER '91



Trent counts a remarkable number of farmers, growers, vintners, chefs, food activists, food writers, agro-tourism specialists, food enthusiasts and avid gardeners among its alumni.

Pretty impressive for a university with no formal food or agriculture programs.

Or, rather, pretty impressive for a university that used to have no formal food or agriculture programs.

This September, you see, the University will be launching its brand new Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems program – and telling the world what many Trent students, faculty and alumni have known for decades: that Trent is an exceptional place to come and learn about food.

The new area of study offers both an arts and a science emphasis.

The Honours B.Sc. will provide opportunities for students to pursue an integrated program of study that combines environmental science, biology, geography, chemistry and other fields that are relevant to the science and practice of food production and consumption.

The Honours B.A. will provide opportunities for students to pursue a program of study that integrates social scientific and humanistic perspectives on food and agriculture.

Both the B.A. and the B.Sc. will give students a firm understanding of where food comes from and how it is consumed – locally and around the world. They will also explore the challenges and benefits of producing healthy, sustainable and affordable food.



The program couldn't have come at a better time.

"We recognized a great deal of interest in agriculture and food issues across the entire university community," says Professor Stephen Bocking, chair, Environmental and Resource Science/Studies. "We also recognized the degree of urgency that food security issues have taken around the world."

With climate change, water quality and quantity, poverty, genetic modification, social injustice, and population demands all affecting the production, quality and availability of food, agricultural issues have become some of the most important facing the world today.

Faculty at Trent decided that there was a need for increased academic attention.

"So we decided to draw on the knowledge and resources already present at Trent in order to investigate possibilities for a program of study," says Bocking.

They began, roughly 15 months ago, by pulling together food and agriculture courses from a host of disciplines. They were surprised by the opportunities that already existed.

"We found an abundance of courses from a wide variety of disciplines," explains Bocking. "From Canadian Studies, International Development Studies, and Anthropology to Geography to Biology and Environmental Science. Both the Arts and the Sciences were well represented. And there was an incredible amount of faculty expertise to draw upon as well."

Trent is also home to particularly attractive facilities for the new program, with greenhouses, several extensive garden plots, and acres of farmland for field studies.

"Students will have excellent hands on learning opportunities," reports Bocking. "We'll be emphasizing summer field courses so that students will be able to make use of our abundance of agricultural space."

Bocking sees Trent as a natural fit for food and agriculture education. "We have an excellent history of interdisciplinary study and education, strong environmental science and studies programs, prime agricultural space, and a well-placed location within a rich farming area."

For those interested in food security issues, it sounds like a recipe for success. ❖

For more information on the Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems Program, please visit www.trentu.ca/agriculture.

"We have an excellent history of interdisciplinary study and education, strong environmental science and studies programs, prime agricultural space, and a well-placed location within a rich farming area." – Stephen Bocking

Building a World of Difference

Dianne Lister '71 joins the ROM

Magic, ethos, community, discovery, passion, energy, commitment, team...

These words are just a smattering from Trent External Relations VP Dianne Lister's vocabulary as we discuss her recent career. They provide an insight into this strategic thinker and alumna whose work has transformed many organizations.

As I write this, Dianne has concluded just over five years of stellar work at Trent and joined the Royal Ontario Museum Foundation as its President and Executive Director.

I asked Dianne to think back to her arrival at Trent...just how did it come about that this former president of the Sick Children's Hospital Foundation and leader of the Dianne Lister Consulting Group found herself at her alma mater some 30 years after graduation?

In the autumn of 2005, while greatly enjoying her consultancy, executive search consultant **Janet Wright '67** called. Dianne recalls that the first thing Janet said was, "Don't say no!" She went on to explain that Trent University was looking to re-imagine and transform its culture of philanthropy. Dianne agreed to meet with then Trent president **Bonnie Patterson (Hon.)** immediately after Thanksgiving. Dianne was impressed with President Patterson's determination to create a new portfolio, embracing government relations, alumni affairs, marketing & communications and advancement. The new portfolio would be led by a seasoned senior executive with demonstrated experience. "I came because of Bonnie," Dianne states. As a beneficiary of the Trent experience and its lifelong impact on her personal and intellectual life, the prospect of



Highlights of Dianne's time at Trent include:

- The opportunity to work with a professional team that is high functioning, smart, creative and loyal that included several Trent graduates
- Learning through the Centre of Knowledge in the environment about what Trent does best.... The opportunity to meet faculty and researchers who work on things that Dianne cares about, that fit with her personal ethos
- The establishment of Trent's first endowed chair, the Kenneth Mark Drain Chair in Ethics and the opportunity to get to know members of the Patterson/Drain families
- The Trent Community Sport and recreation Centre campaign and its solidifying of partnerships within the community; the important role the Centre plays in student life; the recruitment and the engagement of international alumnus **Justin Chiu '78**
- The **Fern Rahmel (Hon.)** estate gift...to see the impact that this beloved educator, both thoughtful and forward-looking, had in assisting women; the subsequent link to the Daughters for Life Foundation

returning to the university in a new and groundbreaking capacity was irresistible. And Dianne had always gravitated to roles where strong and inspiring leadership was in place. Meetings with

key members of Trent's board, plus her high regard for President Patterson, reinforced her instinct that this would be the right move.

TONY STOREY '71

Calendar of Events



Dianne is quick to point out that she was not building from scratch. There were deep relationships in place under the leadership of former VP Advancement **Susan Mackle (Hon.)** and Alumni Director **Tony Storey '71**. It was a question of “unlocking the opportunity” and taking that to fruition.

In January, Dianne had announced her intention to re-establish her consulting group. But then the recruiters beckoned with an invitation to have an interview with one of North America's top cultural institutions, the Royal Ontario Museum. She was quickly drawn to its many-faceted strengths: a tourism attraction, rich in research, academic presence and authenticity and a commitment to sparking the spirit of discovery in young people. The ROM celebrates its centenary in 2014, which for Dianne represents another building opportunity. She also speaks highly regarding the ROM's director Janet Carding as another leader who inspires.

As one who benefited very directly from Dianne's tenure at Trent, I don't want this article to end. It's an important and continuing link for me. But I know as peers from the class of '71, and now friends, there will be many opportunities to connect in the future.

Let me finish with this image from Convocation 2010... Dianne is on the podium in her Trent gown (she has always opted to wear her undergraduate gown at Trent's convocations) as her daughter **Sarah Weinberger '08** crosses the platform. This is a proud and deeply satisfying moment for Dianne. Sarah has graduated with the top marks in her discipline and speaks about the warmly welcoming “family” she found at Trent, a place where she was able to thrive. Another loyal and passionate alumna... we do seem to turn them out! ❖

June 8

Chapter Reception, Halifax

www.trentu.ca/alumni/chapters.php

June 14

Chapter Reception, Mill Street Brew Pub, 55 Mill Street in the Distillery District, Toronto, www.trentu.ca/alumni/chapters.php

June 26

Garden Party at the home of Gillian & Paul Wilson, Peterborough

www.trentu.ca/alumni/chapters.php

September 17

Alumni Golf Tournament, Port Hope



September 30 to October

Art Show and Sale by Spencer Harrison at Alumni House, 50% sales go to Tony Storey Tribute Fund



September 30 to October 1

Ideas that Change the World
Head of the Trent Regatta
Homecoming
Annual General Meeting

UNIVERSITY EVENTS

June 1, 2, 3

Convocation, Symons Campus

June 25, July 9, 16, 23, August 19, 20

New Student Orientation Sessions

www.trentu.ca/newstudentorientation



September 6

Introductory Seminar Week, Peterborough Campus

September 8

Classes begin, Peterborough & Oshawa Campus



Located in the heart of Champlain College, the Ceilie is Trent University's fully-licensed campus pub. Open during the school year from Monday to Friday, 12 to 7, the pub is an excellent alternative food service outlet and campus hangout... not to mention it's the only place at Trent where you can enjoy a cold beer with your lunch! Our menu features homemade pub favourites including our famous "Boss Lady" Burger, slow-roasted pulled pork sandwich, nachos, sweet potato fries, fresh-to-order veggie wraps and more... As an independent operation, the Ceilie proudly sources product from local and independent suppliers such as bakeries, produce distributors, butchers, dairy farmers and breweries. Hosting an event? The Ceilie has all of the details covered, from catering to cocktails!



For more information check out our Facebook Page, follow us on Twitter @the_Ceilie, or email ceilie@trentu.ca. ❖

See you at the Ceilie!

Ideas

That Change the World

The inaugural conference debuts Friday, September 30 at Alumni House. Speakers include Professor Emeritus John Wadland, Artist Spencer Harrison (MA 2003), and Nigel Roulet '75, Professor of Geography, McGill University.

Ideas that Change the World is envisioned as an annual conference of speakers and presentations that will culminate in a good party in honour of Tony Storey, who values so highly the learning that takes place outside of the classroom.

The conference was designed through the original vision of Tony himself, (inspired by Moses Znaimer's *Ideacity Conference*) who likes the idea of "bringing back" an eclectic collection of alumni to speak, recite poetry or perform on a topic of their choice – in particular about the work they do in their lives or a passion that is inspiring to them. It may also provide opportunities for campus colleagues and students to showcase their work.

As part of his legacy, Tony hopes that donations will provide for the continuation of this annual conference to bring together students, faculty, staff and alumni without placing a burden on the operating budget of the University. ❖

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The Slavin Scholarship in Physics and Astronomy



The Slavin Scholarship in Physics and Astronomy was established by Prof. Slavin and his wife, Linda, with assistance from students, friends and colleagues upon Prof. Slavin's retirement. Designed to attract outstanding students, the scholarship will be awarded yearly to an undergraduate or graduate program applicant who will be supervised by a faculty member of the Department of Physics and Astronomy.

The creation of the scholarship comes at an exciting time for Trent, as the joint Trent-UOIT (University of Ontario Institute of Technology in Oshawa) Ph.D. program in Materials Science has received final approval. Prof. Slavin was actively involved in the creation of the new program which is set to start admitting graduate students in September, 2011.

The scholarship fund requires an endowment of \$80,000 to meet the goal of awarding \$3,200 annually in perpetuity. The Slavins have pledged up to \$40,000 to match other donations to the scholarship fund. With the incentive of matching funds, they hope to raise the additional \$40,000 (including multi-year pledges) to total \$80,000 over the next two to five years.

"I often thought how much it would strengthen the Department to have an extra \$3,000 a year to help attract really outstanding students," said Al Slavin. "So Linda and I decided that this is where we would like to make a special contribution." ❖

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NOW I KNOW *in part*

WILL PEARSON '07

This new awareness has come just as much from a careful criticism of university and how it is structured, what does and does not count as knowledge within the institution, as it has come from the University's own positive instruction.

One cannot be a student at Trent right now without getting the sense that some era has recently come to an end. This feeling is characterized, I think, mostly by nostalgia – by a too

rash pronouncement that the charms of the past are lost forever.

I do not think such pessimism is warranted.

One must take responsibility for one's own learning, and by this I mean to say that no institution can ever be held wholly responsible for the learning or lack of learning that takes place within its walls. It is the individual's own engagement and contribution that matters most. Institutions do not teach people – people teach people. Thus, so long as there are true lovers of learning

at Trent (and there is a role to play for Trent as an institution in the recruitment and retention of these people, I suppose) there will be pockets of community dedicated to reading, writing and thinking, with no politics to disrupt this pursuit.

One can glimpse the University's past through the present parade of retiring professors who, through decades of service, have achieved a sort of legendary status, and have come to be associated with the history of the place. I feel lucky to have taken courses with some of these professors, who my parents knew in their student years, as they teach their final classes. But I am just as lucky to have worked with the select young professors whose passion and perceptiveness give reason to think there will be good learning at Trent for a long while yet.

I am leaving Trent and Peterborough looking only forward, but I will bring with me the friends I have made and the inspiration I have been given. ♦

And in Conclusion...

The end of April has come and we students have finished classes and are playing musical apartments.

This marks the end of my degree, and, as a result, the end of this column as well. Looking back, I do not think that I have captured adequately exactly what the Trent experience is like. Perhaps you have to be here to get a feel for it.

I've learned, though, that there isn't one Trent experience.

The "one" Trent experience is, I think, a bit of a myth. Everyone is here for different reasons and everyone is making something unique of their time here.

For me, it has been more about learning the general topography of my discipline, philosophy, than amassing any body of concrete knowledge. It's been about learning what books and thinkers appeal to me, which ones I want to pursue privately this summer and beyond.

If anything, I am less confident in my mastery of the subject than I was four years ago, though I am more confident in my abilities to pursue such a mastery should I ever wish to. While I may not have found it yet, at least I know what knowledge looks like, as well as where and how to find it.

Now I know in part, I suppose.





Ellen Bentzen

Dr. Ellen Bentzen, Principal of Peter Gzowski College and member of the Biology Department, passed away on Thursday, March 24, 2011, after a courageous battle with cancer. She is survived by her husband Dr. Brendan Hickie, Environmental and Resources Studies, their two children, Aidan and Kiera, and extended family.

"The passing of Ellen Bentzen is a tremendous loss for her family and the University community," said Dr. Steven Franklin, President and Vice-Chancellor.

"I know that, as caring communities, Gzowski College and Trent will continue to rally to support Ellen's family and her many friends. Her leadership and lasting contributions to our college system and to undergraduate teaching will be sorely missed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her immediate family and everyone who is grieving her loss."

Ellen began her career at Trent University in 1991 as a post-doctoral fellow. She served as a course instructor for Biology (1992), tutorial leader in Environmental Resource Studies (ERS) (1993-94), marker/grader for ERS (1994), lab demonstrator for ERS (1994-95), part-time course instructor (1995), lab demonstrator (1995-99), Biology department limited term appointment (2000), and senior tutor for Gzowski College (2005-09). In 2009, Ellen was appointed Principal of Gzowski College on a one-year appointment, in February, 2010 she received a two-year appointment as Principal.

Ellen loved all of her roles at the University and especially the leadership position as Principal of Gzowski College. She organized countless opportunities for students, faculty and staff to interact within a vibrant setting of college life. She initiated, for example, the bringing of "Ten Thousand Villages" to Trent University, a festival and sale to promote ethical, fair trade goods that support people in need in third world countries. Ellen felt the mission of the organization was a good fit with the College's "Living and Learning Community" at Gzowski College. She was also Chair of the College and Student Services Committee (CASSC), a testament to her devotion to student life at Trent.

Trent University wishes to extend its sincere condolences to Ellen's husband and their children, their extended family and their many friends, and to the countless students, faculty, staff and alumni who were a part of Ellen's life.

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Louis Charles Roland Alfred



Professor Roland Alfred was a faculty member at Trent University from 1970 until his retirement in 1995. He died on April 13, 2011 from Alzheimer's disease. He is

survived by his wife Nicole and children **Valerie '84, Greg '87, and Jerome '88, MSc '00**, and four grandchildren. Roland was born in Mauritius and went to Bombay to obtain his BSc and MSc in Physics and Applied Mathematics, respectively, before taking his PhD at the University of Sheffield in Theoretical Physics. He then worked as a Research

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Fellow at laboratories in the USA and UK before becoming the Head of Metal Theory at Argonne National Laboratory in the USA from 1965 to 1970.

Roland primarily taught theory courses in physics at both undergraduate and graduate levels, and taught Energy Technology in the Environmental and Resource Studies program for six years. He was the Chair of Physics, 1984-87. Roland's early research centred on electronic properties of alloys, and in the later part of his career he collaborated with Professors Ray March and Keith Oldham (Department of Chemistry, retired) carrying out, respectively, theoretical calculations on resonance excitation and ion trajectories in quadrupole ion traps (1988-1993), and on electrodes used in electrochemistry. In Ray's words, "Roland was a wonderful collaborator in that he contributed his work to the project with enthusiasm and then defended his view of the finished work with vigour yet with respect for the sensitivities of his colleagues. A great gentleman has left us."

Professor Ron Johnson (Physics, retired) remembers Roland as "a modest, unassuming man, and a dependable colleague and teacher. He was unflappable and had a subtle sense of humour and an engaging quiet laugh that always made our chats a pleasure. These chats sometimes included talk of opera, of which Roland was a great aficionado; I was an enthusiastic fan but had nothing like Roland's knowledge or depth of appreciation." **Frank Londry '71**, describes Professor Alfred's course notes as "flawless, like a textbook with every step included." Roland also served as a judge in the Peterborough and Victoria County science fairs for many years.

Professor Alfred will be missed by his many former students and colleagues.

Ernie Benedict

Elder and Condoled Life Chief Ernest Kaientaronkwen Benedict passed away on Saturday, January 8, 2011.

Mr. Benedict received an Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from Trent in 1994. In 2009, he and his wife, Mrs. Florence Benedict, were given a place of honour at Trent when the Gathering Place in the First Peoples House of Learning at Gzowski College was renamed the Benedict Gathering Place.

A lifelong resident of Akwesasne, in traditional Mohawk territory, Mr. Benedict fostered a great understanding of, and appreciation for Indigenous Knowledge. He taught at various colleges and universities across Canada and the United States, including Trent, where he was a visiting professor in the 1970s. He was also a devoted member of the Trent Indigenous Studies Ph.D. Council, from its inception in 1999 until his death.

Mr. Benedict earned a Bachelor's Degree from St. Lawrence University in 1940, making him one of the first Akwesasronon, and one of the few First Nations people in Canada, to do so at the time.

After graduation, he served as a soldier in the 50th Signal Battalion in WW II. His admirable life journey included a career as a grade-school teacher; a labourer and electrician; a Chief; a writer; a university professor; a defender of Aboriginal rights, and an historian. Mr. Benedict was also a father, grandfather and great grandfather. He was a mentor to many.

The Ernie Benedict Indigenous Student Support Fund has been created for those who wish to make a contribution in memory of Ernest Benedict. Please contact Richard Morgan, Director, Portfolio Operations and Philanthropic Research at richardmorgan@trentu.ca to make a donation or for more information.



Erik Wilke

Mr. Erik Wilke, former staff member in the Physical Resources Department (PRD), passed away on Wednesday, March 9, 2011.

Erik began his career at Trent in October of 1989 and served as the construction planning architect until January, 1998, when he left Trent University to establish his own Architectural firm, Erik B. Wilke Architect, presently incorporated as N.E.W Architecture Limited. Erik's association with Trent continued, building on his passion for the University's iconic Ron Thom architecture. He worked for Trent consistently throughout the 2000's on many renovation and construction projects.

He was part of the Dunlop Two Row team that designed Gzowski College and the First Peoples House of Learning. Soon afterwards, he designed the addition to Mackenzie House.

Erik was responsible for the multi-million dollar renovation and repurposing of Wallis Hall, including renovations to Scott House; all part of Traill College's new role as a college focused primarily on graduate studies. He quickly followed on with the preliminary concept designs for Bagnani Hall. Due to failing health, the

final working drawings and contract supervision was completed by Lett Architects.

After medical treatment, Erik's health had recovered sufficiently for him to be retained to work on a design for the renovation of the lower level of Otonabee College. He was working on this project until he unfortunately fell ill for the second time in the fall 2010.

Erik is fondly remembered by all his colleagues in PRD, but also by the wider community in Blackburn Hall and across the University. He was a member of the Ontario Association of Architects and a member of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

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Sean Finbarr (Finn) Gallagher



Professor Emeritus Sean Finbarr (Finn) Gallagher passed away on Sunday, April 17, 2011.

A professor emeritus in the department of English Literature, Finn served as president of the Association of Teaching Staff; Senior Tutor, Julian Blackburn College; and master, Otonabee College.

He was elected to the executive committees of the Council of Ontario Universities (COU), the Ontario Council of University Faculty Associations (OCUFA), and the Canadian Association of University Teachers (CAUT). He served a term (1990-93) as president of the Canadian Association for Irish Studies (CAIS).

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His activities in the Peterborough community included acting as president of the Peterborough Y Swim Club, of the Peterborough Irish Canadian Club and of the Peterborough Theatre Guild, where he acted in and directed several productions.

Finn was the devoted husband of Gayle (nee Massie), and of Eileen Belton (d. 1991). He was the loving father of Maureen, fond father-in-law of Mehernosh Pestonji, and utterly besotted poppa of Maeve Pestonji.

At Finn's request, memorial donations may be directed to the Finn and Eileen Gallagher Bursary fund, Trent University.

A celebration of Finn's life will be held on Sunday, June 12, 2011 at 2:30 p.m. in The Great Hall, Champlain College, Trent University. All are welcome.

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Basil Victor Jesshope '71

Basil Jesshope, beloved husband, companion and best friend of Bette passed away on April 13, 2011. Basil enrolled at Trent in 1971 as a mature student at the age of 51 and graduated with a BA in 1974. Basil was a retired manager from Statistics Canada where he was employed for 24 years. He was also a Canadian Veteran and the last chartered member of the Toronto Wing 444.



David Glassco

Prof. Glassco joined Trent on July 1, 1970 and retired on July 1, 2008, dedicating 38 years of service to the University. Upon his arrival at Trent, Prof. Glassco was a lecturer in the Department of English. In May 1970 he became a don in residence at Catharine Parr Traill College and by 1972 he was elevated to Assistant Professor of English Literature.

He was a representative on negotiating teams for TUFA (1984-85 and 1994), a member of the Board of Governors (2001-03) and served on the Advancement committee during this time as well as the Presidential Review committee (2002-03). It is noted that he brought fair-mindedness, insight and irreverent humour to Board deliberations.

Prof. Glassco put his rhetorical skills to good use as University orator, presenting Maureen Forrester for an honorary degree in 1983, and his good friend P.S.B. Wilson for his Symons Teaching Award in 2002. He worked on numerous United Way campaigns and on the "Fund for Excellence" and the "For Tomorrow" capital campaigns.

He was a long-serving member of the Athletic Advisory Committee. He was also an active participant in community theatre, a past member of the boards of the Kawartha Montessori School and the Peterborough Symphony Orchestra, and the founding president and a continuing member of the Peterborough Singers.

David was a wonderful lecturer," said Dr. Elizabeth Popham, chair of the Department of English Literature. "A lover of language, of William Shakespeare and D.H. Lawrence, of Modern literature and the poets of the Great War, with a true gift of communicating that love to his students." Prof. Popham continued, "David threw heart and soul into whatever he did, for which his colleagues and students are extremely grateful. He will be greatly missed."

Upon learning of Prof. Glassco's passing, Michael Allcott, head of Champlain College and director of the Trent International Program remarked, "David Glassco was a gentle man whose bright eyes, sense of humour and active engagement helped to create the character of Champlain College."

He was husband of Gail McLaren, father of Bridget Glassco (Rodney Sothmann) and Clare Glassco. Grandfather of Theo Sothmann. Brother of John Glassco, Jane Glassco, Marjory Glassco Patterson, Hugh Glassco. Step-father of Coryn and Patrick Hayman and Meghan and Ian Leadbeater. Uncle, friend and teacher to many.

A memorial service is to be held in the fall. ❖

PROFESSORS EMERITI

Professor Emeritus or Librarian Emeritus is an honorary title bestowed upon eligible faculty members and professional librarians, normally upon full retirement from the University.

The following will be honoured this June at Convocation:
Professor Roy Hagman, Modern Languages and Literatures
Professor Gordon Johnston, English Literature
Professor Alan Slavin, Physics & Astronomy
Professor John Topic, Anthropology ❖

sunshine sketches

1991

The Christmas festivities have passed and a New Year is here. We've had a chance to catch our breath after a wonderful time together and with family visiting. We're now emerging from our baby cocoon. Andrew, Talice and **Georgina Galloway '91** are thrilled to share the news of baby Elizabeth Grace Atrens who joined our family on December 15 at 24:00 weighing a healthy 7 lbs., 11 oz.



1995

Ken '95 & Susan Batten (nee Fuhr) '96 and their two children (Athens & Talis) would like to announce the arrival of their son, Oshun Lloyd Batten, who was born on July 11, 2010. As a family, we would also like to celebrate Susan's graduation from the University of Manitoba, Faculty of Medicine in May.



Susan Batten '96 and her 3 children.



Jovan Groen '01 on Mount Everest.

1997

Cameron Roach '77 is living in Muskoka with his wife Laura Smith. He has recently published a book on how to purchase property in Florida for Canadians called "Buy Florida."

windy slopes of the North face of Mount Everest (Mt. Qomolangma in Tibetan).
(see photo above)

1999

Kristin McCourt '99 would like to announce the arrival of her baby girl, born on August 30, 2010. Peyton Alita Frances Rock she was born at 9:14 p.m. and weighed 8 lbs. 2 ozs.

2001

While on a journey through Tibet this past autumn, **Jovan Groen '01**, was thrilled to have his Trent scarf to keep him warm on the exceptionally cold and

2003

Heather '03 and Patrick O'Brien '03 are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter Shannon Marie O'Brien



who was born on September 28, 2010. Shannon weighed a healthy 8 lbs. and 1 oz. Heather is thoroughly enjoying staying at home with Shannon while Patrick works and continues his graduate program at Trent. Also thrilled are first time grandparents Richard and **Jan Foy '74** and **Roy '75** and **Nancy '75 O'Brien.** ❖

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June 16, 2011

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Former Crown Attorney of Peterborough Creates a Legacy at Trent University



Recent photo of the Bradshaw home on Bethune Street, Peterborough, Ontario

John A. Bradshaw, crown attorney and clerk of the peace for the City of Peterborough for 27 years from 1948 to 1975, was known to be an avid gardener. John was remembered by a then young articling law student, **Robert Lightbody '64**, as frequently coming into the office sporting his own fresh roses as a boutonniere. John tenderly cared for his rose beds at his Bethune Street home where he lived with his wife, Mary. One can imagine that, due to his acute attention to detail combined with his caring nature, he took special care in making specific arrangements to create his own legacy.

John and Mary understood the value of community. Mary, trained in nursing, cared for those in poor health. John, meanwhile was highly involved in the Peterborough Law Association, of which he was President in 1951-52.

When making his estate plans, first and foremost, John took care of his family. Having no children of their own, John established a trust that would provide for Mary as well as their extended family. Mary survived John by 12 years, after which the trust provided for both sides of their respective families. The trust was subsequently transferred to the next generation.

After 33 years, the trust arrangement had run its course. Now, in 2011, John's plans to provide support to four of his favourite charities will be realized. Trent University was named as one of these charities.

Just as John had once carefully organized his flower garden so he could enjoy the fruits of his labour, so too did he carefully plan his estate. As a conscientious individual, he provided for his family first. Next he provided for his community including Trent University. One senses that John understood how education is beneficial to the community as a whole.

Today, John A. Bradshaw's legacy provides for the students of Trent University.



Should you wish to create your own legacy at Trent University, please contact Sherry Booth at 705-748-1011 ext. 7593 or at sbooth@trentu.ca. ❖

Mr. Bradshaw, who felt a strong connection to his roots, did extensive genealogical research of his family. The Trent University Archives is home to his hand-written research which traces back to as early as 660 A.D. with ancestral connections to British baronets, captains, knights and earls.

How Can One Person Make a World of Difference?

John A. Bradshaw chose to help Trent students

After taking care of family for 33 years through a trust arrangement, John, a former Crown Attorney for Peterborough, planned to take care of his community. In 2011, the trust was dispersed to his four favourite charities including Trent University.

**Thinking of leaving a legacy of your own?
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Jerusalem artichoke on the rooftop garden, overlooking Champlain College

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Spring is a time of renewal, of rebirth, of growth, and new life.

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