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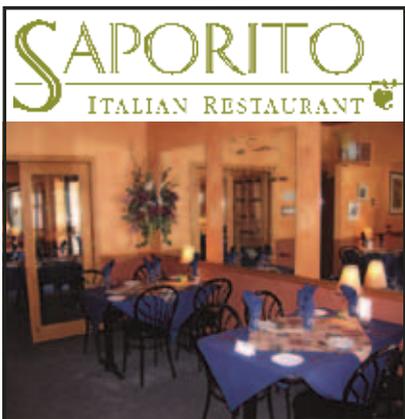
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See you online!

**T**eam is a great term that is often used and referred to. You may ask yourself, "Was I a part of Trent's team or was Trent part of mine?" I believe the answer is both. Present and future Trent alumni will look back with respect and appreciation for what Trent has done for them. Trent provides a unique educational experience, one in which balance in students' lives is important. Participation in individual and team sports at both the intramural and varsity levels provides the opportunity for good health, team participation, and striving for excellence. When I was a new student at Trent, the Athletic Complex was just another building, and, as with the library, I was not aware of its value. Rather quickly I realized that the bricks and mortar of what would become the PSB Wilson Athletics Building embodied solid values of best practices, fair play, and respect for officials.

# Teammates for Life

I was thrilled to be named honorary chair of Trent's Campaign for Sport, Recreation and Wellness for All. Once again I realize that the success of this campaign will not be built by one individual. **Gary Wolff '67** and Peter Adams are the real leaders, supported by an amazing volunteer team. Similar to my own sporting career, which culminated in becoming an Olympic champion, I am just the tip of the iceberg. It takes a very large community to achieve excellence. It is ironic that many of the names that have stepped forward to ensure the continued success of Trent are those who 25 years ago made another investment by sharing their passion and commitment. Indeed, they enabled me to become a very proud Trent graduate. I would like to recognize some of these names, such as Carol & Brian Love, **Michael Cullen '82**, and **Paul Wilson (Hon.)**.

The original Wintario funding saw the establishment of the Wilson building and has led to a solid relationship between Trent and both the City and County of Peterborough. Today we need to build on this relationship and be active contributors to Trent's new history. Trent's current student body has already contributed financially to support the main Excalibur field and the new East Bank playing fields. Now alumni can play a role.

The benefits of being part of a team continue to this day.

We all know what Trent has done for us, but what are you going to do for Trent? **Jane Forsyth '86** – a Trent alumna and my wife – and I are actively supporting this campaign and absolutely want to be part of Trent's future. 

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## Voices of the Past, Visions of the Future

**I**t was on a glorious day in June in the summer of 1999 when I was basking in the sun on the podium of Bata Library, that I was officially welcomed to the Trent Alumni family. Ten years later, on a blustery October morning in the fall of 2009, I marked a different shift in my role in our alumni family, by taking on the exciting role of President of the Trent University Alumni Association.

As Trent Alumni, we're a pretty amazing group. We have a powerful sense of the history of Trent University, that while joining us in our shared entry into the Alumni family, is nevertheless very different depending on our years, campuses, colleges, programs, and extracurricular activities, as well as our interaction with faculty, staff and fellow students. These different perspectives lead us to have very different visions for the future. As do the many experiences that shape our lives in the years after graduation.

So it feels quite exhilarating – and quite daunting – to take on the task of both serving and representing such an incredibly diverse group of people. My hope is that my years of involvement and leadership in numerous non-profit organizations, including the Trent University Alumni Association, will allow me to bring a wealth of experience and insights to this role. Perhaps even more importantly, I firmly believe that my passion for Trent – what it has been, what it is, and what it can be – will allow me to ensure that alumni have a strong presence and voice in the continued life and work of Trent University.

I believe that in order to continue to be visible and engaged participants in this university community, we need to ensure our success and sustainability as an Alumni Association. That includes fostering fellowship amongst alumni, engagement by alumni in chapter, association and university activities, and ensuring that the services and supports we offer our members

are of greatest benefit to them and their loved ones. At the same time, promoting the visibility of alumni on the Trent campuses, facilitating timely and relevant communication with alumni wherever they might be, and ensuring a vibrant and active Alumni Council are also key priorities for me as I envision how best to both serve and lead the Alumni Association in the next few years.

We are in a powerful space to take action on all of those priorities. We have an amazing leadership team, including the alumni serving on Alumni Council, at the Chapter level, on University committees, and participating in many ways to ensure the stewardship and success of both Trent University and the Alumni Association. We have the legacy of our Past President, **Matt Griem '97**, whose leadership ensured that we have both a well developed Strategic Plan, and the structure and skills with which to pursue it. And we have the support of incredible administrators and staff at Trent, including Steven Franklin, **Dianne Lister '71**, **Tony Storey '71**, **Kathleen Easson '78** and Sylvia Hennessy. And perhaps most importantly, we have YOU. Please don't hesitate to let us know your thoughts, your dreams, your visions for how the Alumni Association can serve you best. **T**

I look forward to hearing from you!

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DR. STEVEN FRANKLIN  
PRESIDENT AND VICE-CHANCELLOR

Engagement in and outside of the University is a priority and an opportunity. September 24, 2009, the date of Trent's first-ever double installation – my own installation as president and vice-chancellor, and Dr. Tom Jackson's as chancellor – was not only one of the most memorable and enjoyable days of my life; it was also a perfect example, a microcosm, of the engaged university campus. Students and alumni, faculty and staff, community members and guests demonstrated their interest and passion for Trent, and the University welcomed them. A dialogue began and has continued since.

In my installation address, I said that the task before us is to help propel Trent University to the next level of accomplishment. Since that day, we have been doing this work, together. The new President's Office Hours for Students, President's Monthly Reports, and President's Community Tours (including visits in Peterborough, Oshawa, Toronto, Kingston, and Ottawa, connecting with alumni as well as with postsecondary and other institutional partners) have broadened Trent's outreach and complement an ambitious collaborative process to renew Trent's vision and planning processes, overall strategic directions, and academic structure.

# Engagement –

## Toward a Deeper Understanding

With a view to embracing the traditions of a liberal education, while boldly facing the real challenges faced by our institution, this new integrated planning process has been driven by open and meaningful consultation and engagement. Vision renewal activities involved literally hundreds of people over the course of the fall discussing a variety of themes including the Trent experience, big-picture overview, core values, primary purpose, differences, and challenges. For those unable to attend live vision renewal workshops, an online workshop proved effective in reaching even more students and, in particular, alumni, who generously shared their thoughts. A workshop format for the President's Open Forum for Staff in early December was instrumental in ensuring that diverse perspectives were influential in Trent's evolving vision. The Vision Renewal Review Committee then held a full-day retreat in mid-December to analyze and interpret the feedback received. Members of both the Special Advisory Committee on Changing Academic Structures and the Strategic Directions Advisory Committee attended for part of the day to share findings and inform these mutually-supporting review activities. Elements of vision renewal" were identified and are in the process of being shared with the university community in the form of a bridging document. An engagement plan includes Alumni Council, Faculty Board, Senate, Faculty Council, the Board of Governors, and staff and student groups in January and February, leading Trent toward a recommended structure, vision renewal, and a new mission

and strategic directions plan. Soon, in March, "unit-level" integrated planning will begin and is expected to culminate in June with an "institutional integrated plan" to be widely shared. This plan will establish overall university priorities and a budget-planning framework for the next three to five years.

All the efforts in this process have been to seek a deeper understanding of relationships, to respect tradition and then envision, and make possible, a preferred future for Trent. Integrated planning is most successful when an institutional commitment extends to every facet of the organization and people are fully engaged. For those who have already committed their ideas and effort, thank you – you have made a significant difference in the development of strategy for the long-term success of Trent University.

The important work of planning and implementing successful strategy at Trent will continue, and it will involve additional opportunities for engagement and participation.

You are invited to continue to visit the planning website at [www.trentu.ca/planning](http://www.trentu.ca/planning) and keep informed as the various milestones and ultimate culmination of this collective work emerge. Your views are welcome – even crucial – in the ongoing work to ensure that the outstanding passion and energy of the entire Trent community remain at the heart of the plans for the future. **T**

Sincerely,

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## Inaugural TD Insurance Meloche Monnex

# Alumni House Intern Announced

"We believe that by investing in students, we are helping to create the leaders of tomorrow," says Paul Douglas, vice president, Affinity Market Group, TD Insurance Meloche Monnex. With this goal in mind, TD Insurance Meloche Monnex, Canada's leading provider of group home and auto insurance for professionals and alumni, created a new student internship program with Alumni House at Trent University.

The TD Insurance Meloche Monnex Alumni House Work Bursary was established with a generous gift. Matched through the Ontario Trust for Student Support, an endowment will soon exist to help generations of students achieve their potential and improve our world, all while they learn about the rewards of alumni relations and advancement.

"It is an honour to have the support of TD Insurance Meloche Monnex in deepening the campus profile of the Alumni Association. They have been superb business partners, and are nationally recognized as loyal and thoughtful friends of higher education in Canada," said Tony Storey, director of Alumni Affairs. "Eventually, we will have two student interns in place at Alumni House in perpetuity. At a time when operating budgets are constrained, to have the means to hire an accomplished student is important and creative."

In October, the inaugural TD Insurance Meloche Monnex Alumni House student intern was announced. Fourth-year geography major and



*Colin Harker, Pearl Sarafian, Miranda Wilson, Tony Storey '71*

Queen's-Trent Concurrent Education student Miranda Wilson first heard about the internship opportunity while working with Alumni Office staff on coordinating the 20th anniversary of the Trent Penpal Program during Head of the Trent weekend.

"I was ecstatic and honoured to be selected," Miranda says about the internship. "It means a new and exciting opportunity to be involved in

*"It means a new and exciting opportunity to be involved in the Trent University community while helping others understand the significance of the Alumni Association."  
– Miranda Wilson*

the Trent University community while helping others understand the significance of the Alumni Association."

With further goals of gaining new knowledge and experience and developing leadership skills, Miranda will help to organize and plan alumni events for the Trent community and encourage current students to understand what the Alumni Association is all about. Other duties include acting as an ambassador for the Trent University Alumni Association, collaborating with various clubs and groups who wish to use Alumni House for their activities,

and greeting the special guests of Alumni House. At the end of her term, Ms. Wilson will give a presentation to Trent Advancement staff on what was discovered during her tenure as the TD Insurance Meloche Monnex Alumni House student intern.

"This internship is important because it assists students in achieving their potential while they learn about the rewards of the area of alumni relations and advancement," says Mr. Douglas. "We at TD feel good knowing that the funds generated from our endowed bursary are making it possible for a student intern to work at Alumni House and assist with various worthwhile projects and initiatives. Miranda Wilson is motivated and keen to make a difference for the benefit of the Alumni Association, and we wish her well in her endeavours."

TD Insurance Meloche Monnex has maintained a strong relationship with Trent University since March 2006, working closely with the Alumni Association to provide Trent alumni with preferred insurance group rates. Trent is pleased to have close to 1,000 alumni insured through TD Insurance Meloche Monnex. **T**

# Alumni Pursuits & Accomplishments

**Carrie McKay '89** owns a franchise called The Entrepreneur Source. With it she helps people establish their own businesses or connects them with appropriate franchises depending on an individual's needs. The franchise also offers business coaching to established entrepreneurs. Carrie also sits on the business committee for the Greater Dufferin Area Chamber of Commerce.

**Glen Caradus '88** is the Paddling Puppeteer. He is also Captain Climate and Archie McTaffy, the lumberjack. He has, in fact, about 15 aliases that he assumes as a way of presenting environmental lessons to kids in a fun and interactive way. He performs at camps, schools, and festivals all over Ontario.

OPP officer **Don Eastop '82** recently completed the command of a UN-led mission in southern Sudan. He was one of 20 Canadians in Sudan for nine months to train and mentor the local Sudanese police force, much of which faces issues of limited education and training.

In our spring issue we featured a profile of figure skater **Jessica Wolff '99**. Jessica had just won gold at the 2009 adult Canadian championships. We shouldn't have written so soon – she went on to place first in the world championships this summer in Germany!

Native Studies Masters grad **Sarah Pocklington '91** is a member of the band *Asani*. The band, which fuses traditional world and Aboriginal sounds with more modern pop and jazz influences, has found much success across Canada. They are currently touring across Canada.



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In our Winter 2009 issue we reported that **Robert Glossop '67** would be receiving a membership in the Order of Canada. Robert was inducted officially by the Governor General on November 5, 2009 during a ceremony at Rideau Hall. Robert was recognized for his work as a sociologist and philosopher, which focuses on the Canadian family experience. He is the former executive director of the Vanier Institute of the Family and holds an honorary degree from the University of Guelph. Robert's "deep and continuing commitment to enriching the lives of Canadians" was cited as a reason for the honour.

**Carly Thomas '96** is the new curator/director of the Nepean Museum. Prior to this appointment, she held the same position at the Canadian Ski Museum and Hall of Fame.

**Linwood Barclay '73** was featured in the National Post this August for his string of highly successful thriller novels. His next, *Never Look Away*, is due out in April. He has publishing commitments to produce at least four more in the coming years.

**Allyson Brown '04**, who plans to be a teacher, spent last summer designing educational materials to help inform the public about invasive species. She was working in conjunction with the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters.

**Diane Robnik '94** is an assistant archivist at Trent Valley Archives.

**Andrew Galvin '82**, a real estate broker, heads up The Galvin Team. His team of realtors focuses on properties in and around Peterborough and was named the #1 RE/MAX team in 2008.

Filmmaker **Sara Roque '94** screened a documentary of hers at this year's ImagineNATIVE film festival in Toronto. The film, *Six Miles Deep*, deals with matriarchal roles in Mohawk communities and the Caledonia land disputes. Sara has an Indigenous Studies degree from Trent.

The Kwantlen Polytechnic University in British Columbia appointed **Deborah Henderson '70** as its first Leading Edge Endowment Fund chair, this October. As chair Deborah will perform research and development in the field of sustainable horticulture. She has a biology degree from Trent.

**Roy Bodden '75** is the new president of University College of the Cayman Islands. He assumed the position in October.

**Ian Tamblyn '67** returned to Peterborough in August to kick off the Peterborough Folk Festival with an intimate concert at the Canadian Canoe Museum.

**Erin Walsh '03** is the new archivist at the Port Hope Archives. She is responsible for cataloguing, developing education programs, performing outreach in the community, and maintaining the collection's reference section, among other things.

**Stephen Finucan '88** appeared at a literary event alongside Giller Prize winner Joseph Boyden this past September. Stephen's stories and essays have been published in many magazines and he has two novels to his name. His most recent, *The Fallen*, was published in 2008. Stephen read a selection of his work to a large crowd at the event.

**Eayl Levine '05** is the winner of an OTIP Teaching Award in the category of Beginner Teachers. Eayl, 33, has been teaching kindergarten for four years. He received his teaching degree from Trent.

**Ziysah Markson '00** has been appointed Executive Director of the New Canadians Centre. Ziysah has been working with the Centre, which provides integration services for immigrants and refugees in the Peterborough area, since 2002.

Photographs by **Tim DuVernett '84** were exhibited at the Chapel Gallery in Bracebridge this September. The show was called *Working Hands of Muskoka* and featured Tim's photos of people in their working environments. Chimney sweeps, plumbers, and cooks were among the occupations he documented.

**Dale Jarvis '90** is the Intangible Cultural Heritage Development Officer for Newfoundland. He travelled back to Ontario in October to present at the Brantford Storytelling Festival. An expert in folklore, Dale has presented as a storyteller all over the world.

**Shane Peacock '75** was featured on the cover of *Quill & Quire*, Canada's book magazine, in October, where he was praised as "the next big name in



Canadian children's fiction." Shane's new book, *Vanishing Girl*, is the third in a highly successful series which tells the stories of Sherlock Holmes' very first cases as a young boy.

**Jamie Van Wart '93** was appointed a youth court Crown attorney for the province of Nova Scotia in December. Prior to the appointment, Jamie had been working as a lawyer in the Yukon.

The Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough, a new philanthropic agency, has named **Andrea Dicks '98** as its founding executive director. She has held senior positions at other philanthropic organizations in the past.

**Michael Mundy '95** was recently announced as partner at the Toronto office of Odgers Berndtson Canada, a globally prominent firm in the field of executive searching. Michael has extensive executive search experience.

**G. Douglas Vaisey '64** has worked at Saint Mary's University for more than 35 years as the librarian for reference and research. In recognition of his contributions, Doug received the President's Award for Exemplary Service from the University last year. 



## New Field, New Building,

# New Attitude

Trent Community Sport and Recreation Centre

Campaign Kicks Up the Competitive Level

BY DONALD FRASER '91

By all accounts, including mine, the disruption hasn't been too bad.

And by all accounts, especially, Bill Byrick's, the results are going to be astounding.

The construction taking place at the PBS Wilson Athletics Building may have made for a few noisier than usual squash games for me, but when I look forward to what the complex will soon feature, I don't mind at all.

The old building is getting a face-lift you see.

Well, more than a face-lift, really. An entire makeover.

With new squash courts, a sports medicine centre, rowing/paddling tank, climbing wall, "home team" dressing room, café, and classrooms, the complex will hardly be recognizable. Throw in major overhauls to the changeroom and pool areas, and the recent addition of the artificial turf stadium-style playing field, and the University will have a state-of-the-art facility that will serve both Trent and the surrounding community.

It's enough to make Trent's Director of Athletics downright giddy.

"You're not going to believe what this place is going to be like," gushes Byrick. "What we are working on is going to improve facilities, athletic leadership, medical support, university recruitment... It's an incredible endeavour."

It started back in 2002, when Byrick and Athletics Complex staff began hosting "input sessions" on the future of sport and wellness at Trent. An incredible 24 sessions provided plenty of feedback on three main areas

of growth for the complex: the outdoor playing field, the rapidly aging building, and increased use of the waterway and nature areas.

After turning to local landscape architects Basterfield and Associates for assistance in planning, the group moved forward in the small steps that they could accomplish immediately. This included the purchase of new canoes, and a sprucing of the shoreline by the complex.

They then approached the University Board of Governors with plans to first improve the playing fields and then the building itself.

When the Board agreed, they went, cap-in-hand, to the Trent Community. The results were beyond expectations. The results, in fact, were astounding.

*"We want to raise the standard of personal fitness and sport in the entire community."*

— Peter Adams, Campaign Co-Chair

In 2004, The Trent Central Student Association granted them the opportunity to propose a \$50-per-student levy for funding expansion. Byrick and company made a bold statement and vowed, should the students vote "yes," that "next year they'd step onto a brand new state-of-the-art turf."

An incredible 87 per cent of full-time undergraduate students approved.

"This was probably the largest turn-out for a levy vote ever at Trent," exclaims Byrick. "Definitely the largest I've heard of."

And the turf was in place, as promised. On budget. On time.

With both the Trent and Peterborough Community behind them, Athletics Complex staff and supporters sought out something to put them on the map – something they felt could rally support for the changes needed. When they landed the U-19 World Women's Lacrosse Championship, they got just that. The news reverberated not just through the surrounding community, but nationally as well.

Peterborough took notice.

"The new stadium field really opened up Trent to the community," says Byrick. "It has become a home to every sports-based community group around. We have high-school soccer, lacrosse, football, and rugby championships all happening at the same time. It has become a lively community centre."

Shortly after the opening of the new field, the Trent Community Sport and Recreation Centre Campaign swung into high gear, with the appointing of two high profile campaign co-chairs. With former Peterborough MP and Professor Emeritus Peter Adams, former Board of Governors Chair **Gary Wolff '67** and **Rob Marland '83** at the helm, things really took off.

"We had a three-fold mission," says Adams. "We wanted to raise the profile of athletics at Trent, improve the opportunities for wellness and personal fitness for the entire community, and, of course, raise money for the new building."

They then set the bar high. The campaign is seeking \$4 million in order to accomplish their goals.

“And our goals are pretty impressive,” reports Adams. “We want to address the needs of seniors, engage youth, engage people with disabilities, increase the quality of life of both students and community members, increase overall physical fitness. We want to make a holistic centre that will link existing components such as the nature area trail, the waterway, the rowing club, the new Camp Kawartha Environment Centre, the stadium, with the new sports and medicine building.

“In short, we want to raise the standard of personal fitness and sport in the entire community.”

Wolff also draws links between the campaign, the university, and Peterborough as a whole. “As a Trent alumnus, I recognize the importance of providing recreational opportunities for students while they are pursuing their academic careers,” he says. “This new Centre will provide many opportunities for post-secondary students and all students in the community – elementary and secondary – to participate in innovative and award-winning recreational programs at Trent University.”

Byrick relishes the notion of both awards and competition. As a former competitive tennis player, sport still flows in his veins. He wants to see Trent make a bigger impact on the Canadian University sports scene.

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- Physiotherapy Rehabilitation Centre
- Multi-Purpose Room
- Flexible Classroom Space
- Improved Access to the Stadium, River and Facilities
- Outdoor Pavilion
- All-Inclusive Memberships



While the new Centre will serve thousands of community members, its construction will be a result of an equal number of generous and dedicated supporters. From staff, to local teams, to campaign leaders, to students and alumni, there are countless people involved in the project.

*As part of the refurbishment of the Wilson Athletics building, a new international squash court is being constructed.*

“If we’re going to be in it, we have to be in it to win,” he says with a glint in his eye.

With the hiring of Brian Greer as a full-time recruiter, Trent’s competitive chances have increased immeasurably. Greer had spent 35 years coaching a variety of sports at the high school level before being brought in to attract young athletes to attend Trent. This represents a new attitude and emphasis for varsity sports at Trent.

There was also the introduction of summer training camps.

“With intensive camps beginning in August, we get ourselves on the same playing field as other schools,” says Byrick.

Then there is the sport medicine aspect. The new building will have a full-time clinic featuring an orthopedic surgeon, full-time physiotherapists, and massage therapists. Trent athletes will be healthy enough to compete with the best schools in Canada.

Finally, there will be an increased opportunity for athletes and community members alike to access top-of-the-line equipment.

“We had nine cardio machines,” reports Byrick, “we’ll have 50. We had 23 strength building stations. This will increase to 55.”

Combined with all the other new features, this will, all of a sudden,

vault Trent into a position of being an innovative leader in the area of sport and wellness.

Of course, some of this still depends on the success of the fundraising campaign.

And this is where the campaign co-chairs hope that Trent alumni will step in. “The students and community have spoken, and have really stepped up to bat,” says Adams. “Now we’re reaching out, casting a wider net.”

Both he and Wolff would like to see former students show their support as well.

“It’s simple,” says Adams. “Call the University for more information. Go online. What you will see is impressive. It is infectious. It will make you want to be a part of the Trent team.”

I’ve been feeling more and more like a member of the team over the past few months. As I watch the new portion of the building take shape, and as I go over the new plans, I can’t help but get excited myself.

Sure, there is a bit of dust in the air right now. But there is also excitement and hope. The campaign is gaining momentum, and the end seems achievable.

As an alumnus and a member of both the Trent and Peterborough communities, I have a feeling that we’re in this to win. **T**

## Rob Marland: From Trent Green to Olympic Gold

*Faintly as tolls the evening chime,  
Our voices keep tune and our oars keep time.*

– Thomas Moore

From the outset, **Rob Marland '83** warns that he may be effusive when he talks about his formative years at university.

After graduating from Trent with a degree in economics, Rob went on to compete in the Seoul Olympics in 1988 as part of the coxed men's four team, and as part of the men's eight became an Olympic champion with the gold-medal win for Canada in Barcelona in 1992. But he recalls that it was years before he joined Canada's national team, while he was enjoying intro week at Peter Robinson College, when he was recruited by **Michael Cullen '82** to try out for Trent's own rowing team. (Michael, an avid rower himself, is now a respected photographer in Peterborough and took the cover shot for this issue.)

"I had rowed in high school, but I wasn't a star athlete," Rob shares, on the phone from his realty office in Ottawa. And, by his own admission, his promise wasn't very evident that year: he failed to make the varsity team at the time. He spent that first year at Trent finding his focus. He didn't apply himself academically, and his grades reflected that.

However, by his second year, as he came to the realization that he wanted to devote himself to rowing, his discipline improved in the academic sphere as well.

"The second year is when I became who I am. Trent was supportive and gracious enough to provide what became the foundation of my second year," he says of the experience. In particular, he gives a nod to the late Professor Michael Treadwell, his academic advisor, who took a personal interest in both his education and his sporting pursuits.

"Had I gone to a mainstream, factory school, I don't think that I would have come out on the other end," he muses. "At Trent, I had a personal involvement with the people who had an impact on my education. You had professors who were accessible and invested in the student."

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— Rob Marland '83

He credits Trent with offering him great support to pursue rowing, but also with instructing him not to lose sight of the importance of academics. "Trent was demanding, but also accommodating," he explains. "It's about that balance."

Rob credits Trent's staff and the stars behind the amateur rowing scene for his finding his ultimate direction in life.

"When I think of Trent, I think of the passion and the culture of it," he says. "When a crew crosses the finish line and is victorious, everyone celebrates the moment.



But to put the crew in that position, you have to have people who set up the framework. It's the same in education."

He recalls the "unsung heroes" who shared their passion for rowing with others. Particularly, he recalls Terry Kelly who served as the rowing club treasurer and used to organize the fundraising events at bingo parlours; Craig Allen his first coach; and Carol Love, an Olympic rower who has built up the sport in Peterborough. Paul Wilson and the gang at Trent Athletics were also a great support network.

"The legacy has been the passion of the people who surrounded me," he says. "The mantra at Trent was that you could do more. There was no sense of entitlement."

A sense of entitlement was so absent, in fact, that crew assembled their own gear: "Our rowing shorts were made by Jack Lapum's mum, who sewed them. We had these green toques that were knitted by **Jim Ganley's '83** grandmother. They were like green crowns and I wore mine while competing in Europe." The memorabilia chest that he has put aside for his daughters contains the toque, the shorts, and a tattered crew jacket. "The crew jacket symbolizes being part of a team. It was a flimsy, green, nylon jacket that I would wear all winter because I was so proud."

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But he did receive some natterier attire from Trent after he joined the national team. Trent's founding president, Professor Tom Symons, made sure to send Trent t-shirts and gear for Rob to wear proudly during the World Championships overseas.

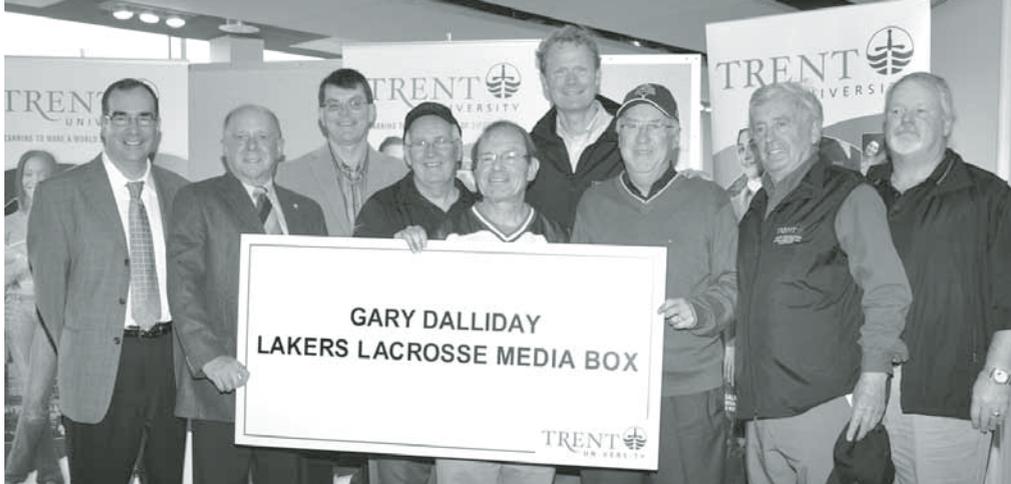
As he muses about victories and defeats over the years, it becomes clear that it is the ones that he experienced at Trent that stay with him the most, even more so than the ones at the World Championships and the Olympics. And today, he believes that it is the drive that he discovered at Trent, as part of the rowing crew, and as part of the student body itself, that has served him well during the intervening years.

"My last rowing coach said that mileage makes champions. I believe that – whether you're an academic, athlete or a business person," he says. "I'm so thrilled to have had that opportunity at Trent. Between the ups and the downs, it helped me understand who I am." **T**

Rob Marland's website address is [www.robmarland.com](http://www.robmarland.com)



Sports-broadcasting personality Gary Dalliday. Courtesy of Peterborough This Week.



Members of the Trent and Peterborough Community honour Gary Dalliday (third from right) in the naming of Trent's stadium field media box.

## Gary Dalliday Lakers Lacrosse Media Box Honouring a Local Sports Icon

When the local lacrosse community was looking for a way to honour and recognize an icon of the Peterborough sporting community, they found the perfect opportunity at Trent University.

Through a generous \$10,000 gift to support the renewal and expansion of the Trent Community Sport & Recreation Centre, the Peterborough Junior 'A' Lakers, Peterborough Senior 'A' Lakers, and the Peterborough Minor Lacrosse Association secured the opportunity to name the University's stadium field media box in honour of long-time local sports-broadcasting personality Gary Dalliday.

"When I first approached the three organizations there was very little discussion required. All three organizations immediately recognized this as both an opportunity and a responsibility for our community," said Tim Barrie, president of the Peterborough Junior 'A' Lakers, who explained that by naming the Gary Dalliday Lakers Lacrosse Media Box, the lacrosse community was making a special investment in the future of athletics and recreation at Trent. "The Lakers teams felt that we should do our part to financially support an institution that is supporting our community with state-of-the-art facilities," he said.

For Mr. Dalliday, who retired in 2009 after 33 years as sports director at CHEX-TV, the tribute is one he accepts with pride.

"Lacrosse in general has been very good to me over the years, from broadcasting their games on radio and the great many friends I have made from the Lakers to the minor lacrosse organization. I was more than proud to have them arrange the naming of the stadium box after me," he said. "This is a legacy that I will leave behind that my children and grandchildren will be very proud to see when they visit Trent. It certainly makes me feel good now and knowing I will always be a small part of such a prestigious university as Trent which I always have supported since day one."

The naming of the Gary Dalliday Lakers Lacrosse Media Box was announced at the launch of the Sport, Recreation & Wellness for All Campaign to renew and expand the Trent Community Sport & Recreation Centre during Head of the Trent weekend in October.

To learn more about the Trent Community Sport & Recreation Centre, which is currently under construction at the University and slated for completion in the fall of 2010, visit [www.trentu.ca/athleticscampaign](http://www.trentu.ca/athleticscampaign). **T**

# Centre of Knowledge Enhances the Trent Environment

BY FRANCY POAPST '81

The establishment of Trent's Centre of Knowledge in the Environment, and the Biomaterials Research Program, has resulted, once again, in the University's further cementing of its leadership role in scientific research and discovery. The Biomaterials Research Program employs dedicated scientists from around the world to study the use of plant oils (or lipids) to create renewable feed stocks. These feed stocks are then scientifically converted to generate materials that are more in line with the natural carbon cycle. These more sustainable resources will help to slow down the process of climate change. As director, **Dr. Suresh Narine '91** is very much committed to this project; so much so that he gladly moved his family from Edmonton to Peterborough to take the helm (and yes, they love it here!). As an alumnus, he can think of no better place to further the cause of scientific research in the environment.

The Biomaterials Research Lab was created for Dr. Narine so that he could continue the work he was doing at the University of Alberta. A collaborative effort involving Dr. Narine, various funding organizations both domestic and abroad, and Trent people such as former president Bonnie Patterson, vice-presidents **Dianne Lister** and James Parker, John Knight, and members of the Chemistry and Physics & Astronomy Departments resulted in the world-class, state-of-the-art facility housed in the Science Complex. Dr. Narine is honoured to work with world-renowned scientists in an academic environment that fosters interdisciplinary discussions



*Biomaterials Research Lab: Jiaqing Zuo MSc. student, Dr. Shaojun Li Research Associate, Dr. Suresh Narine Director, Ali Mahdevari Technician, Dr. Leila Hojabri Research Associate.*

about everything from feedstock to philosophy. It is not a surprise to him "that it [Trent] is an environment that is near-perfect for academic reflection and deep thinking: somehow, what a university should feel like."

Professor Alan Slavin played a significant role in Suresh's decision to come to Trent. As a Guyanese high school student, Suresh applied to

a number of post-secondary institutions in North America and the United Kingdom, but when Professor Slavin took the time to send him a personal letter

encouraging him to study physics at Trent, he was suitably impressed. And when he visited the campus, he was hooked. Al Slavin became his mentor and, along with Al's wife, Linda, his "surrogate parents." Suresh had decided he would pursue medicine but, while in his first year, he felt drawn to chemistry and physics. Along with Professor

Slavin, Professors Ray March and Keith Oldham fuelled his new-found interest in this area and helped solidify what would become his academic and professional focus on condensed matter physics. He also mentions the works and teachings of Professors Rob Stairs, Bing Zhou, and Stefan Bilaniuk as having had a profound effect on his academic career.

Suresh's affiliation with Peter Robinson College was not an accident either. He chose to align himself with PR "because I was attracted to the social consciousness of this college, and its cultural focus." He fondly recalls meeting John Milloy (then-master of PR) who was a great help to him during his early days in Canada, hanging out at Trent Radio and the Jolly Hangman, and making friends with cultural studies and philosophy students. He was the only physicist in the entire college, and yet, "to a homesick, culture-shocked international student, it held all the magic of this new country, and exciting university." While at PR he co-chaired the Introweek Committee, was a member of the Trent Student

"Trent is an environment that is near-perfect for academic reflection and deep thinking."  
— Dr. Suresh Narine

Union, Senate, the Physics Club and the Trent International Program. For seven consecutive years, he hosted Reggae Night at Trent. He wrote for *Arthur*, was president of the Graduate Students' Association, and belonged to the Rowing Club. Most notably, he was the founder and president of the Trent Indian and Caribbean Students Association.

In his third and fourth years, Suresh worked on NSERC Summer Undergraduate Research Projects in Professor Slavin's laboratory. After winning an NSERC scholarship, it seemed the most logical route would be to continue this coursework. At the end of the two-year program, however, he made the decision to pursue a Ph.D. in food science at the University of Guelph. His decision was based on the fact that he would return to Guyana some day and, armed with a food science degree, he would be well served. He is deeply appreciative of the extent of work he has had with Professor Slavin at Trent, though, and, now that he is a professor himself in both physics & astronomy and chemistry, he is pleased that he is able to instill the same love of learning that his professors conveyed to him. He is honoured to have a sense of "giving back."

And so, after working as a senior scientist at M&M Mars, providing academic guidance as a University of Alberta associate professor, and being an AVAC research chair and director of the Alberta Lipid Utilization Program (among other roles), Suresh has returned "home." While he is still connected to his native Guyana (he is the director of Guyana's National Institute of Applied Science and Technology), he is thrilled to have made the move back to Peterborough to direct the Trent University Biomaterials Research Program. To



"run into" people who have helped make the University such a special place for him is wonderful. As well, he is a colleague of former professors and mentors like Al Slavin, Jim Jury, and **Peter Dawson '65** (to name only a few), reinforcing the fact that Trent has helped shape the person he is today. Even his nine-year-old triplets love living in Peterborough! As for the important work he does, Suresh says:

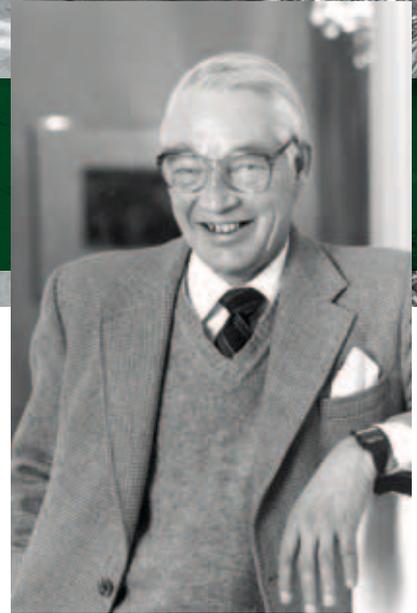
*"It is a source of great satisfaction to know that I will be able to contribute to the growth and sustainability of this*

*place I have come to love so much ... and the type of research that we do fits in so well with Trent's focus on the environment.... I am also delighted with the directions the university is moving in with regards to the launching of the Centre of Knowledge in the Environment. The future is bright, and I look forward to helping mould and shape the culture of Trent as it navigates the interesting years ahead...." T*



# Honouring John Leishman

BY DONALD FRASER '91



Champlain College at the height of autumn can be a magical place, particularly for children. The backdrop of stone and rubble aggregate buildings, courtyards, and towers conjures up castles and fairytales, while the wide-open spaces, forested drumlin, and river make for natural playgrounds where imagination is the only limit to adventure.

The grandchildren of John "Leish" Leishman (1929-2008) found this out first-hand this past October as they joined their parents, relatives, and members of the Trent University family in a sunny afternoon dedication of the new John E. Leishman Courtyard.

A group of 50 or so gathered at the Alumni House courtyard, where refreshments were served alongside of memories. Plenty of memories. While the adults of the crowd gathered for tributes, speeches, and remembrances of the former vice-president (external relations), the kids ran, climbed, and played.

It was a familiar scene for John's son, Jake Leishman. "It reminds me of when we were kids," he recalled. "While Dad worked, the kids got to really explore. Of course, all of campus is a memory of Dad for me. Bata library... the squash courts... everything."

Older brother **Michael '84**, had another recollection as he surveyed the crowd, who were enthusiastically noshing and chatting. "Dad loved a dinner party," he smiled. "And he would have loved this."

Michael joined Alumni Affairs director **Tony Storey '71**, current vice-president (external relations) **Dianne Lister '71**, former Alumni Association president **Michael Nolan '69**, and courtyard garden designer Kerry Taylor in presenting formal tributes to Mr. Leishman. This was followed by the unveiling of the commemorative plaque that now graces the courtyard.

Distinguished guests were plentiful, with Trent luminaries such as Paul Wilson and Dick Sadleir rubbing shoulders with original Trent staff members, such as the late Dorothy Blake, Leish's first assistant

at the University. Dorothy, who died just a few weeks after the dedication ceremony, may have possessed one of the richest institutional memories of Trent and still carried obvious respect and fondness for her former boss. "From the get-go," she recalled, "John was totally involved in Trent. It was his life." She recalled a man with an incredible work ethic: "In John's office, it was coffee, cigarettes, and work. Full steam ahead work."

Alongside the work came incredible opportunity. As the secretary for both John and the Board of Governors, Dorothy got to meet some of the great minds of Canada at the time. "John was constantly bringing in these giants, all of these distinguished people, who would end up being on the Board. It was never a dull moment."

Dick Sadleir remembered Leish as being one of these “giants” himself. “Tom Symons was a genius at gathering energetic men of vision,” he recalled. “And John Leishman was definitely one of them.” Sadleir recalls the days surrounding the founding of Trent as “marvellous times” where all parties involved “were lucky to be given the privilege to participate.” It was not luck, however, that led to the successful launch of the University, but dedication and persistence.

“John was instrumental in getting people on board and behind us. Whether it was the province or with friends and acquaintances that shared our vision.” Sadleir pointed out that Leish was equally as generous as the people he approached, if not more so. “In fact, I’d say he was one of the most generous people in Peterborough. In those days, he made everyone feel welcome. Board members would stay at his house when in town, and he’d throw these wonderful parties.”

Paul Wilson recalled John as “one of the world’s gentlemen.” He also remembered him as an integral part of the founding of Trent. “Leish was instrumental in getting the money for the first buildings. Really,



*Family members unveil a commemorative plaque in the new John E. Leishman courtyard.*

there wouldn’t be a Trent without him.”

All who knew Leishman agreed that the courtyard garden was a perfect choice for a dedication. Jake recalls touring Oxford and Cambridge with his father and “seeing all of these courtyards named after people who had founded the colleges. I think it is great that future generations will recognize the people who came before. I think it is a sign of great respect.”

Michael Nolan joked that “John was hardly a gardener,” but would have enjoyed the space immensely. “His wife, Y, is the gardener. John? He was more the consummate appreciator. He would have appreciated what his wife would have done with the space. Joking aside, John loved the quiet spaces of the world, and this courtyard

represents just that, a quiet place of contemplation and meditation.”

Garden designer Kerry Taylor said that the themes of contemplation and meditation were at the forefront of her design. “And so was memory.” In fact, she wanted the garden to provoke memories. “The sense of smell conjures remembrances of the past, so I wanted to make sure there were plenty of scented elements.” She went on to say that while many gardeners ensure that there are successive waves of colour as the summer progresses, she wanted to do the same with scents. “It is a garden that will be aromatic all throughout the growing season, one that can be enjoyed with the sense of smell throughout the year, as certain blooms give way to others.”

The serene and contemplative settings of the courtyard were indeed noticed as various friends and family members took quiet moments to poke around, to read the commemorative plaque, or to merely soak in the sunshine and silence.

And then, just before things took a turn toward the sombre, an arm, leg, or childish face would appear over the high walls surrounding the garden, reminding those in attendance that the courtyard was not just a tribute to past deeds, but a celebration of the present and future as well. Not just for the Leishmans, but for the entire Trent family. **T**



Photos on this page: Krista Campbell



# Sunshine Sketches

1965

**Bill '65** and Pam **Gudgeon** are pleased to announce the birth of their third grandchild and first daughter of Trent alumna **Tara '92 (Gudgeon)** and Rob Pade. With the 911 operator guiding daddy, and the late arrival of two policemen and four paramedics, Zoe Hannah arrived safe and sound, two weeks early, in the comfort of her own home, with her three-year-old brother Hunter in attendance. A playmate for her cousin Billie. Bill and Pam also celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary in October 2009.

1969

*Updates sent by Kerry Hill '69:*

**John Kerr '68** retired on July 31, 2009, after 34 years of teaching. To celebrate his retirement he bought a new red Harley Davidson Ultra Classic Electra Glide and is ready to roll.

**Manindra Shah '68** is enjoying his retirement and continues to thrive. He is as gracious and generous as ever.

**Jim Knight '69** is a retired banker living in Sooke, British Columbia. He bought two Harley Davidsons in the last year and is forcing his son to ride the 883 Harley – the son wants something sportier, poor kid.

**Hugh Semple '70** has found a new love of his life and continues to work in Edmonton, Alberta. He recently watched hundreds of salmon spawn and got it.

**Janet '69 (Hutchison) and Graham '70 Murray** – After years of “renos” and telling me to quit teasing about their never-ending saga, they have moved to White Lake, Ontario, and I'll bet they're doing “renos.”

**Kerry Hill '69** is now five years retired and loving it. Had a wonderful visit with **Manindra Shah '68** and the welcome deluxe from **Tony Storey '71**. The Trent feeling does last and runs deep.

**Earl Burns '70** has lived in Calgary for years, and rumours have it that he may secure safety for the 2010 Olympics.

**Jim Miller '70** is a Vancouver business leader as general manager at the Rosedale on Robson Suite Hotel. His son keeps growing, and the teenager adventures have Jim never experiencing a dull day.

**Rob Young '70** is working hard at his Apple Photo business on Salt Spring Island in British Columbia. He has many car and motorcycle projects awaiting him if he ever retires.

**Naomi Mullins '70** is working hard at teaching on Salt Spring Island, British Columbia. She and Rob Young are supporting their daughter, Caroni, who is in the fourth year of the Jazz Program at Capilano University in North Vancouver. Caroni's name will be a household name before long; she has talent plus.

1972

**Paul '72 and Judith '73 Leeson (Ewen)** are pleased to announce that their son, John F. K. Leeson, has completed his indoctrination training into the Canadian Navy. (photo 1)

1986

**Domenic Ammatuci '86** turned 50 in November of this year. He moved to Portsmouth Village in Kingston, Ontario in 2003 and has slowly been building his home studio.

Domenic had a busy year in music. In July, he won the Frontenac Old Time Country Music Championships in Mayfair, Ontario, for voice in his age group. He performed his song “County Girl” for the first time for an audience, as well as a song by his late great friend Willie P. Bennett, on Willie P. Bennett's Martin OM-21 custom acoustic guitar, which Domenic bought the day before Willie died on February 15, 2008. (photo 2)



## 1990

**Lorena Haley-Twiss '90** and husband Martin Twiss are thrilled to announce the long-awaited arrival of their baby girl, Kaleigh Siobhan Twiss. Kaleigh was born three weeks early on April 17, 2009. She weighed in at a healthy 7 lbs, 5 oz. She is our miracle baby and we delight in her every day! Lorena and Martin continue to work with the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School board as both elementary and secondary administrators, respectively. (photo 3)

## 1993

**Heidi Haensel '93** is excited to have finally finished residency training, and has started work as a child and adolescent psychiatrist at Children's Hospital in London, Ontario. She is also an assistant professor at the Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Western Ontario. She lives near London with her husband Don and three children: Baxter (age 8), Silas (age 5), and Rosalie (age 3). She keeps in touch with the news at Trent and in Peterborough through her mother, Marisa Haensel, retired secretary for the Department of Sociology, and

siblings **Tobias Haensel '92**, **Lara Haensel '98**, and **Corina Haensel '01**, who are all Trent alumni.

## 1994

**Amy Matthews '94 (MacMillan)** and David Matthews are thrilled to announce the arrival of their daughter, Iris Amelia Anneliese, born at 8:40 p.m. on August 16, 2009. (photo 4)



Meeting at Trent University in C & F House of Otonabee College, these alumni still remain good friends. Since graduating from Trent, they get together several times annually including a winter vacation in the Caribbean and canoe tripping in Algonquin.

In 4 canoes, left to right and front to back (photo 5):

1. **Brooke Wilkinson '95** (holding son Nathan) is married to **Bryan Poirier '95**, and they reside in Waterloo. Bryan completed a

Ph.D. in geography in 2008 and is now working on a post-doctorate at the University of Waterloo. Brooke is currently on maternity leave from her career as a secondary school teacher.

2. **Melissa Cooper '94** works as a communicative disorders assistant at One Kids Place Children's Treatment Centre in the Muskoka and Parry Sound districts. **Laura Tozer '94** is an OPP constable in Muskoka.
3. **Dawn Caine '98** is married to **Darryl Gage '95**, who is a firefighter in Toronto. They live in Oshawa with their daughters Sydney and Morgan.
4. **Erin McNaughton '94** is employed in human resources at Shell Canada in Sarnia, where she lives nearby with her husband Kevin Hogan. They have a son Brayden and are expecting their second child early in 2010.

They still keep in contact with **Marilyn Cousins '94**, who is an elementary school teacher near Kensington, P.E.I., where she lives with her husband Andrew MacMurdo and daughter Ellen.



## Sunshine Sketches

1995

She's (finally) here! Big sister Siarra, born November 13, 2006, is pleased to announce the safe and healthy arrival of her little sister, Sophie Anne Taylor, on Friday, July 17, 2009 at 3:48 a.m. Proud parents **Cindi '95 (Dearden)** and Conrad Walpot are so happy to have two beautiful, incredible girls! Look us up on Facebook! (photo 6)

1996

**Jennifer Pecoskie '96** successfully completed her Ph.D. in library and information science at the University of Western Ontario in November 2009. Her dissertation research focused on the relationship between solitary and social pleasure reading. She continues to teach courses at the Faculty of Information and Media Studies at UWO.

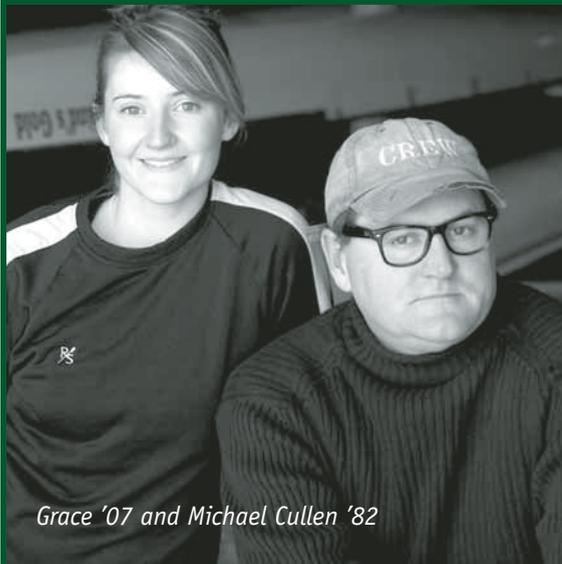
2004

**Marjorie Kaviq Kaluraq '04** is pleased to announce the birth of her second daughter Kalea Winter Rualiq Uluyuk on August 6, 2009. Kalea's sister Cassidy, who attended classes with her for a year, is proud to be a big sister and often remembers Trent. (photo 7) 

*Have a great story about fellow Trent alumni? Feel like letting the world know what is going on in your world? Trent Magazine is made possible by the contributions of alumni. Please e-mail Managing Editor, Donald Fraser '91, with any submissions for Sunshine Sketches, donaldfraser@trentu.ca.*

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Grace '07 and Michael Cullen '82

Is your child considering applying to Trent? If so, you should know about the Children of Alumni Scholarship (\$1,000), which is awarded annually by the Alumni Association.

To be eligible, the applicant must be entering first year at Trent and have at least one parent who has either graduated from or completed five or more courses at Trent. The scholarship has been awarded every year since 1999, and the deadline for next year's applications is August 30, 2010.

The prize is competitive and awarded on the basis of entrance average. A minimum average of 80% will also be expected.

For application forms, e-mail Alumni Affairs, [alumni@trentu.ca](mailto:alumni@trentu.ca) or call (705) 748-1011 ext. 1573 or online at: [http://www.trentu.ca/alumni/benefitsandservices\\_ChildrenofAlumniScholarship.php](http://www.trentu.ca/alumni/benefitsandservices_ChildrenofAlumniScholarship.php)

# Upholding the Trent Experience

BY WILL PEARSON '07

**Leah Curtis '81** was actively involved as a student at Trent. While she lived in residence at Lady Eaton College for three years, she was recognized for her contribution to college life when she won the Marjory Seeley prize. She was on the varsity field hockey team and the intramural rowing and basketball teams. Not only was she a meal steward at the LEC dining hall, but she also ran the college pub, which was an experience she says helped to awaken the entrepreneur inside of her. Leah is adamant that these kinds of activities are just as important for developing a well-rounded individual as academics. In a job interview, she says, employers are less concerned with marks than people think. They want to make sure "there's a person in there."

Leah's Trent degree was in business administration. She subsequently continued her education at another university, which she said she was able to "breeze through" because of the foundation she received at Trent. Leah, now a successful accountant and partner at Collins Barrow Kawarthas, attributes much of this success to her development at Trent. That's why, when she sat down with her husband to discuss their wills, Trent was on the "A-list" of causes to support. Leah and her husband don't have any children, so they had more flexibility and a chance to get creative with how their resources could be divided up.

Although she graduated more than 20 years ago, Leah still feels a strong connection to Trent. Her sister attended Trent as well, and her niece toured the campus in November and hopes to enrol in the concurrent education program next fall. A resident of Peterborough, Leah often runs into friends she knows from her university days and finds Trent acquaintances repeatedly popping up as clients. As

a member of the Planned Giving Advisory Committee, she remains involved in the University's affairs. Trent has remained important to Leah, so she has chosen to remember the University in her will. By informing the University that you have taken such steps you become a member of the Legacy Society, which today boasts a membership of over 100.

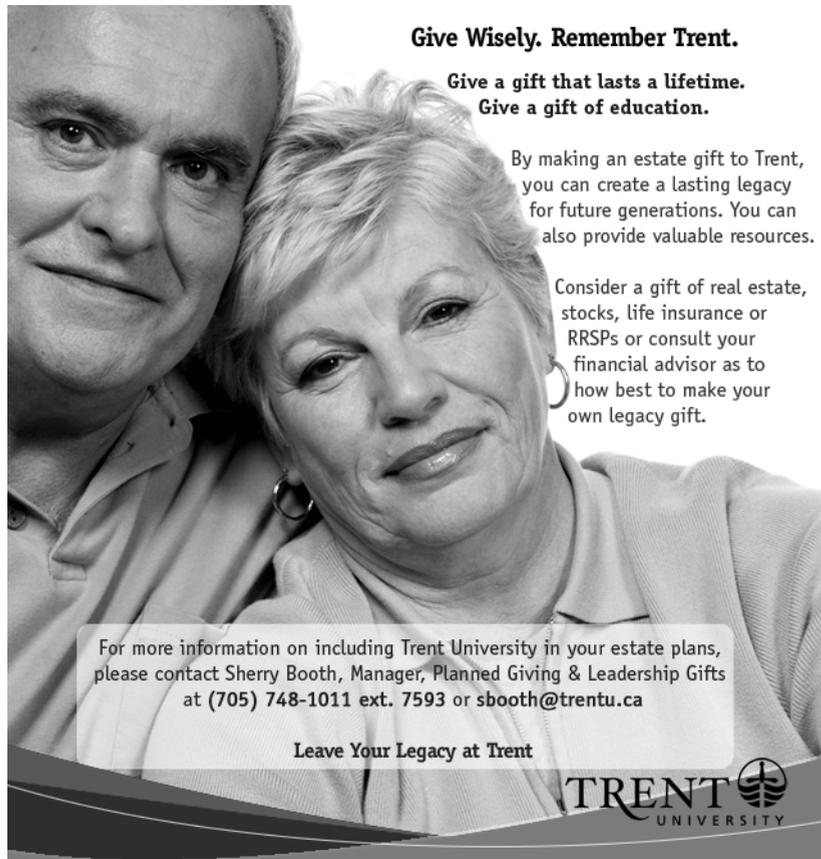
Leah hasn't specified how she'd like her contributions to be utilized, but she may do so in the future. For her, student bursaries are most important because they give students that might not otherwise get to go to university a chance to do so. She would also like to see more practically applicable programs developed, so that students don't necessarily need to get more education after a



bachelor's degree to get a job. Being a graduate of the business program, she would understandably like to see this program expanded.

Overall, Leah is grateful for the holistic education she has received, and she wants to make sure students continue to experience the Trent that she did. She is a firm believer that "marks aren't everything," which is why she is doing what she can to "help preserve the uniqueness of Trent."

To inform the University that you have remembered Trent University in your will, or to make an inquiry, please call Sherry Booth at (705) 748-1011 ext. 7593 or [sbooth@trentu.ca](mailto:sbooth@trentu.ca). 



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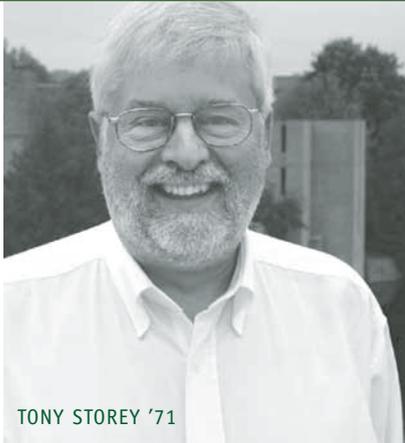
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TONY STOREY '71

As I compose this edition of Storeyline, two students are fashioning snowmen in the backyard at Alumni House. In the dining room, two Indigenous Studies Ph.D. students are hammering out the details for an end-of-term presentation. Our TD Insurance Meloche Monnex Alumni House student intern is at her work station, preparing for the inaugural Matt Griem Gathering in January, a new annual event at Alumni House, which will celebrate and develop leadership at Trent. The gathering honours the contributions of Alumni Association past president **Matt Griem '97** in his role as president from 2005-09. The gathering will have a new focus each year, with this year's theme of "promoting literacy in the classroom" designed to honour the leaders of Trent's Pen Pal program as they celebrate 20 years and the delivery of over 50,000 letters.

# Our House

Since the move to Alumni House in the summer of 2006, this permanent home for the Alumni Association and the office of Alumni Affairs has also been available to the University community and the public for special meetings, receptions, and functions. As of November 2009, almost 1,000 such bookings had occurred, embracing students, alumni, staff and faculty, board members, and distinguished visitors. Approximately 4,000 people have crossed our threshold and enjoyed the ambience of Alumni House (the former Champlain College Master's Lodge), agreeing that it may be the jewel in the crown of Master Architect Ron Thom's extraordinary achievements at Trent. Guests have browsed the Alumni Wall of Fame, noting the breadth of accomplishments by our graduates and chuckling over some of the more eclectic items, such as the last liquor licence from the Commoner or the Langton Exiles-Traill Bait commemorative hockey puck. The House is filled with art and photography, much of it by the Trent family, and original furniture from the founding years has been renewed and protected. (Local alumnus **Rob Tuckerman '73** tells me that a small round table in my office is a "cigarette table.")

This past summer and autumn brought with them a new and treasured feature at the House: the John Leishman Courtyard. The dedication in October is covered on page 14. For me, it was a day of great importance and resonance as it was the late John Leishman who hired me as coordinator of alumni affairs in 1984. The courtyard itself, with its signature rubble aggregate stone walls, is directly outside my office and features two benches, a fountain, and a garden designed by Kerry Taylor. It is a place of reflection and quiet contemplation, of scents and textures and colours that vary from season to season...a wonderful new feather in the cap of Alumni House.

Away from Alumni House, the Alumni Association and the Alumni Affairs office have been equally busy revitalizing the chapter relations program. In collaboration with President Steven Franklin's Community Tours, there has been activity in Ottawa, Vancouver, Oshawa, Toronto, Peterborough and Kingston. On the horizon are tours to Belleville, Haliburton, York Region and Barrie. Our chapters have also been active

## Spotlight on the Wall of Fame

This year's W.L. Morton Lecture was delivered by **Tim Cook '90**. Tim is the World War I historian for the Canadian War Museum, and his lecture was titled, "Always Look on the Brighter Side of Strife: Humour and the Canadian Great War Soldier." Two of his recent books were proudly displayed during a dinner in November at Alumni House, following the Morton Lecture.

This issue's In Memoriam section includes the very sad news of the death of **Nigel Russell '66**. His CD with The Studebakers has long been part of our collection, and has now taken on an added layer of significance.



with a sold-out National Capital wine evening, a winery tour in Niagara-on-the-Lake, a Montreal dinner evening with Professor Emeritus John Wadland and a festive get-together in London, UK. University officials have also touched base with alumni in Trinidad, the Caymen Islands, Hong Kong and Kuala Lumpur.

We are currently renewing the chapter committees in our "Big Four" – National Capital, Toronto, Peterborough and Oshawa/Durham. Our goal is to recruit alumni from all of the eras since Trent was established to our most recent grads. The work of these committees will be informed by the research findings of the 2007 Alumni Survey which provides key information about alumni program interests.

Our current roster of projected activity can be found in the Calendar of Events in this issue on page 28.

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If you want to be sure to receive invitations to University and alumni activities and be informed of key developments, please visit the above web site and click on "Online Directory." Follow the links for registration and be sure to confirm the "accept e-broadcasts" option. This will ensure that you receive e-mail notifications of upcoming activity. As our alumni population grows, the costs and environmental impact of postal mailings grows. In our largest chapter regions (Toronto, Oshawa/Durham, Peterborough, and Ottawa) reaching alumni by e-mail is a good alternative. We do exercise care in the frequency of our e-broadcasts, as we know that many people's in-boxes are saturated. You can also find the Trent University Alumni Association on Facebook. 



**The Niagara Chapter sponsored a winery tour at Hillebrand Estates on November 18, 2009.**

From left to right: Tom Arkell '79, Kelly Davis '86, Heather Davis '87, Erik Sherman '07, Tony Sherman '69, Dagnia Sherman, Caleb Smith '93, Tony Storey '71, Paul Wilson (Hon.), Jamie Fleming '76.

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# The View from There

BY HAMDY BACHIR FAYE '05

The Trent International Program has a long and valued history of strengthening the cultural diversity of our University community. Thousands of students from around the world have come to Trent, learning a great

deal about life in Canada and sharing their cultures with all those they have come in contact with. The View From There focuses on the lives of some of these students, their experiences at Trent, and the impact that these

experiences have had on their lives since graduation.

We'd love to hear from you! Please contact [donaldfraser@trentu.ca](mailto:donaldfraser@trentu.ca) to have your story appear here.

**M**y name is Hamdy Bachir Faye. I graduated from Trent in June last year with a Bachelor of Business Administration and International Political Economy, and since July I have been happily working for the Ministry of the Attorney General in Toronto.

In the fall of 2005, as I was preparing to attend Trent, the University offered me the ready-to-wear program that fitted with my academic and personal aspirations, namely international political economy, business administration, and an international experience abroad. Of course, those aspirations could have been fulfilled in other undergraduate programs as well, but only by experiencing it can people understand the particular environment that makes Trent so unique. Another factor was the personal assistance that I received from the day I accepted my admission to Trent, until my arrival in Peterborough. From questions pertaining to academics, funding, activities, and what to expect in general, there was always someone from the International Program office, under the direction of Mike Allcott, who promptly communicated with me. But it really wasn't until I made it to the international orientation camp, the weekend prior to the first years' orientation week on campus, that the impact of Trent's reputation as an "outstanding small university" came to life. By the time I made it to campus, where I met



fellow first years on residence and received guidance from upper years, I had realized what a truly tight-knit community Trent was.

As a francophone, my biggest fear prior to arriving at Trent was participating in seminars, which was an essential component of my courses. This fear quickly vanished in my first week of classes, once I found out how patient and helpful professors and teachers were. In fact, regardless of their linguistic background, most new students were testing the waters, and the teaching staff were very sensitive to that fact. They were willing, during and after class, to address questions and concerns, and to help everyone feel comfortable in their courses, which truly went a long way in establishing a level of academic confidence.

Trent provided me with many non-academic experiences that helped make me who I am today

and contributed to my feeling of complete satisfaction with my experience at Trent. One thing is certain: my academic goals could not have been achieved without personal commitment and hard work. But without the teaching and administrative support that I constantly received, I would not have graduated fully satisfied with my program. If you are committed to your goals, Trent will provide you with the resources to get there. If you are looking for a comfortable, accepting, and fulfilling environment, Trent is exactly that. 

## Recipient of the 2009 Jack Matthews Award



The Jack Matthews Award is named in honor of the late founding director of TIP who symbolizes international understanding in all his endeavors.

The award is given to a graduating student in recognition of outstanding commitment and contributions to internationalization, both locally and globally. Hamdy Bashir Faye was one of the 2009 recipients, awarded for his global citizenship, tireless service to the Trent community through TCSA, and for his leadership in building francophone life at Trent.



# Now I Know in Part

BY WILL PEARSON '07

For one day every year during Introductory Seminar Week, the Bata podium is littered with tables staffed by representatives of Trent's many student-run clubs and groups, a sort of buffet for students looking to get involved with their school community. The day is Clubs and Groups Day, and the goal is to expose students to all the opportunities for involvement that exist and that might otherwise go unnoticed. I, for instance, didn't know that Trent had an Aviation Association until someone told me that the plane circling above the podium was its representative for the day. As you can see from the picture opposite, there was a lot more to choose from. In this column I hope to acquaint you with just a few of the student organizations that exist at Trent today, and how they enhance the University's social, cultural, and academic environment.

For most student groups at Trent, funding comes from the Trent Central Students' Association, Trent's student government. The TCSA provides major funding and support to more than 60 clubs and groups (and more modest support for many more), with the mandate of making Trent as vibrant a community as it can be by encouraging student involvement and interaction.

Many groups organize for the purposes of social action and raising awareness on important issues. These groups use their money and resources to improve the Trent community and, because they are autonomous and student-driven, they get to do so on their own terms – deciding for themselves what they think is

meaningful and important. One such group is Sustainable Trent, a student-run organization that advocates for environmental, cultural, and economic sustainability on and off campus. The group has a core membership of about 15 students, but many more help out informally. Their summer project this year was a thorough-going sustainability audit of Trent's practices, which has allowed for an accurate critical assessment, and this year's focus is the implementation of a campus-wide ban on bottled water.



Other groups form for the sake of artistic endeavours. Consider the Classics Drama Group, which stages ancient Greek drama in translation. The group's annual productions in the Nozhem Performance Space are well-attended and well-loved, especially by the staff and students in the Classics department. Opening night is always sold out. This year's production is a comedy – *Aristophanes' Wasps* – and plays for four nights in January and February. **George Kovacs '95**, director of this year's and last year's productions, says that this year's play will be "silly – very, very silly."

Clubs centred on academics are common too. Nearly every discipline taught at Trent has its own student group organized for the sake of increasing enthusiasm and appreciation for the discipline outside the classroom. A particularly active

one is the Philosophy Society, which also happens to be the oldest student society at Trent. It hosts discussion evenings, social events downtown, and philosophical film screenings. The Philosophy Society is distinguished from other academic student groups in that professors regularly attend and participate in its events.

While some groups like the Philosophy Society are explicitly tied to academics, I think that most clubs and groups at Trent can be seen as contributing to students' academic experience in some way. Adam Wright,

for example, is majoring in environmental studies and is an active member of Sustainable Trent. He says working with the group helps reinforce what he learns in the classroom and "helps to refresh [his] sense of passion for sustainability matters." The study of the classical world is also made easier because the Classics Drama Group brings it to life. Director George Kovacs

says that seeing and participating in ancient drama brings more meaning to it, and that the close acquaintance with a text needed for performance "allows for more detailed critical considerations, and new meanings present themselves." Clearly, the typical distinction between curricular and extra-curricular should be rethought. They are different sides of the same coin, and they support each other.

These three groups barely scratch the surface of what's available at Trent, and do not hint at the variety that exists. There is also, for instance, an equestrian club, a French club, a film society, a music society, a billiards club, a science fiction club, and a Christian fellowship. Evidently, Trent students are an active, engaged, and diverse bunch. ■

# In Memoriam



## Pat Strode

Pat Strode died on November 3, 2009. Although she had been ill for a while, her passing was a great surprise and shock to almost everybody.

Pat retired from Trent in 1999 after 30 very full years of service. In retirement, her life was just as full. She volunteered for UNICEF, Multiple Sclerosis, the YWCA, Showplace, Marycrest, and other causes. She served the community through the Soroptimists and the RCAFA. However, she became best known through her involvement with the New Horizons Band, learning to play an instrument in her later years.

This level of retirement activity does not come as a surprise to those of us who knew her at Trent from 1971 to 1999. She was secretary to the Department of Geography during its most formative years. In addition to running the department (which is what all departmental secretaries do), she was the social and academic mentor to hundreds of students. When I asked people for memories, they remembered her walking through a plate-glass window when she was too busy to look where she was going (miraculously receiving only a scratch on the chin), her fierce card playing, and various incidents on field trips such as the one to Molson's Brewery that was an important feature of the academic year in those days. I also remember her involvement, with her husband Al and the RCAFA Club, in organizing early Mid Winter Half Marathons. She and Al were lifelong activists in the RCAFA, including its cadet organization.

However, Pat is most remembered in *Geography* for her unstinting support of the student geographical society, TUGS. This was and is the focus of the department for academic and social activities. "Reach for the Peak," an annual trivia event, is the highlight of most years

in *Geography*. If you look at the book *Geography at Trent: the First Forty Years*, which was published recently, in the anecdotes and photographs you will find many glimpses of Pat's devotion to TUGS. For example, she and Al were judges for Reach for the Peak (a thankless job) on many occasions. One year, they showed up in yellow sou'westers and rain gear to remind us all of Pat's origins in the Maritimes. Pat was very proud that her daughter Karen was a famous president of TUGS.

Pat moved from *Geography* to the Office of Graduate Studies and Research which, in those days, was a very pale shadow of what it is today. At that time, the future of graduate studies at Trent was in doubt. Pat stayed in that office until she retired as graduate studies officer. She played a key part in building up graduate studies and in linking Trent's graduate work to graduate studies across Canada.

I almost forgot that, for 12 years of her career, Pat and Al were dons, including a spell as senior dons, at Lady Eaton College. People who were dons themselves during those years, as well as resident students, have told me just how much the Strodes influenced their lives. It's odd – but not surprising – for me to think that hundreds of students who were in neither geography nor graduate studies owe so much to Pat and think of her with such affection.

Pat received the Eminent Service Award when she retired. No wonder, after all her marvellous and selfless dedication to Trent!

We all miss her, and our thoughts and prayers are with Al and the family. 

Peter Adams

## Nigel Russell '66



Nigel Russell (right) and Willy Nelson

**Nigel Russell '66**, a musician and friend, died suddenly at his home in Texas on August 14, 2009. Nigel began to develop his musical talents in high school and in 1966 brought them to Trent. Nigel was a member of the Folk Club while at Trent, alongside **Ian Tamblyn '67**, **Cheryl Davies '68** and **Stan Rogers '68**.

For an obituary, visit [www.legacy.com/Statesman/Obituaries.asp?Page=LifeStory&PersonId=131601676](http://www.legacy.com/Statesman/Obituaries.asp?Page=LifeStory&PersonId=131601676) And to view a tribute to Nigel follow [www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_OlyGQwMPNg&NR=1&feature=fvwp](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_OlyGQwMPNg&NR=1&feature=fvwp) 



## Dorothy Blake

Long-time Trent employee Dorothy Blake died peacefully on November 18,

2009, at the age of 96. Dorothy worked as a secretary for most of her life, and was also an avid volunteer. She was secretary to John Leishman in the 1970s, when John was academic advisor for **Justin Chiu '76**, an international student from Hong Kong. Dorothy forged an important relationship with Justin, helping him adjust to life in Canada and at Trent. Justin still refers to Dorothy as his "Canadian mom." 

## Fern Rahmel

Honourary graduate **Fern Rahmel LL.D. '70** died on November 28, aged 95. She was one of the first women to receive an honorary degree from Trent. Fern was heavily involved with the arts and the general Peterborough community. She was a founding member of the Peterborough Theatre Guild and directed numerous dramatic productions while teaching at P.C.V.S. Fern also wrote scripts that were aired on CBC and CBS. A dedicated member of Park Street Baptist Church, she taught Sunday school there for over 25 years. Fern established a bursary at Trent for mature women students. A funeral was held in Peterborough and an interment at Little Lake Cemetery. 

## David Schryer '70

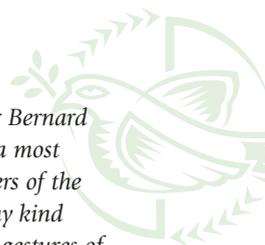
**David Schryer '70** left us too soon due to complications from cancer. Born in Bathurst, New Brunswick, to Hannah (Kent) and George Schryer, after high school David went to Montreal, where he worked for Bathurst Power and Paper for five years. Then he moved to Port Cartier, where he was a railway conductor for Quebec Cartier Mining. It was there he met his life-long love, Marjorie, then a teacher in Sept Isles. Four months later, they married. In 1968, David and Marjorie moved to Morin Heights in the Laurentians, where they taught school, before deciding to complete their degrees at Trent. David graduated with his degree in anthropology in 1972. After exploring various enterprises, David opened Otonabee Antiques on George Street. He was admirably suited to the

antique business because of his genial nature and enjoyment of people, his enterprising personality, and his appreciation of beautiful objects: fine furniture, china, and unusual curios. 

## Thank You

*The family of the late Professor Bernard Hodgson would like to extend a most sincere thank you to all members of the Trent community for their many kind expressions of sympathy. These gestures of support were greatly appreciated. With a sincere thank you, Christine Hodgson.*

Trent Magazine is made possible by the contributions of alumni. Please e-mail Managing Editor, Donald Fraser '91, with any submissions for In Memoriam. [donaldfraser@trentu.ca](mailto:donaldfraser@trentu.ca)



## We want your music!

Trent University has a rich musical history. From **Ian Tamblyn** and **Stan Rogers** in the '60s, to the Silver Hearts of the 2000s, the Trent Community has featured some great musicians. Of course, many of these local musical heroes have continued to produce great sounds to this day. And we want to hear about them! The next edition of *Trent Magazine* will focus on music and we want to hear what alumni have been creating. Send us your MySpace pages, your videos, your online sources of alumni-created music and we'll compile and post them – both in *Trent Magazine* and online! E-mail our managing editor at [donaldfraser@trentu.ca](mailto:donaldfraser@trentu.ca) and we'll make wonderful music together.



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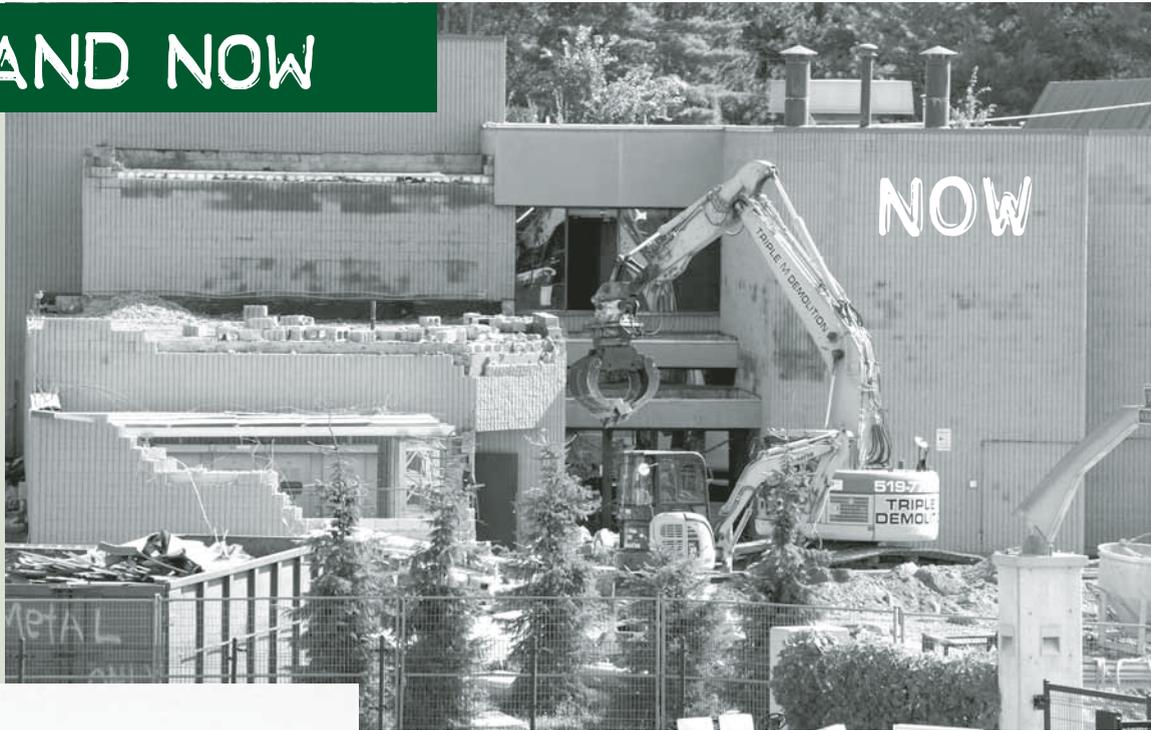
# THEN AND NOW

BY TRINA PEARCE '92

## AC TRIVIA:

In what year was the Athletic Complex built?

- A. 1977
- B. 1975
- C. 1972



## 1969



It is a little known fact that in 1969 the Athletic Complex was a bubble. The bubble was the largest such building in Canada! Back then, P.S.B. (Paul) Wilson said of the bubble, "The life of the bubble is estimated at ten years. However, it is anticipated that a permanent gymnasium will be constructed in four or five years, by which time the bubble could be used to cover a swimming pool." In later years, a new AC was constructed and was later named for Paul, the first director of Athletics at Trent.

## CAMPUS FAST FACTS

Yes, Bob (Dylan, of course!), the times they are a changin'! Here are some fast facts about the Bata Library and the Athletic Complex.

Bata Library, built in 1969, was named for Thomas J. Bata, who was an "internationally respected industrialist, generous benefactor, and dedicated member of the Board of Governors in the Challenging Pioneer Years of Trent University." Grab your smoking jacket for this sign of the times! Back in 1969, the corner rooms on floors 3 and 4 were smoking rooms!

AC Fast Facts	Then (1969)	Now
Architect	Prack and Prack (1977)	Shore Tilbe Irwin & Partners
Director	Paul Wilson	Bill Byrick
Building Size	23,000 square foot "bubble"	76,000 square feet (fall 2010)
Visitors per day	150	500 (fall) and 1,000 (winter)
Staff	1.5 (Paul and a share of secretary)	8 FT, 160 Student Employees
		2010: 12 FT, 180 Student Employees

## NOW





1970s

NOW



**BATA TRIVIA:** How much did the original Bata library building cost to construct?

- A. \$8,500
- B. \$100,000
- C. \$3,600,000

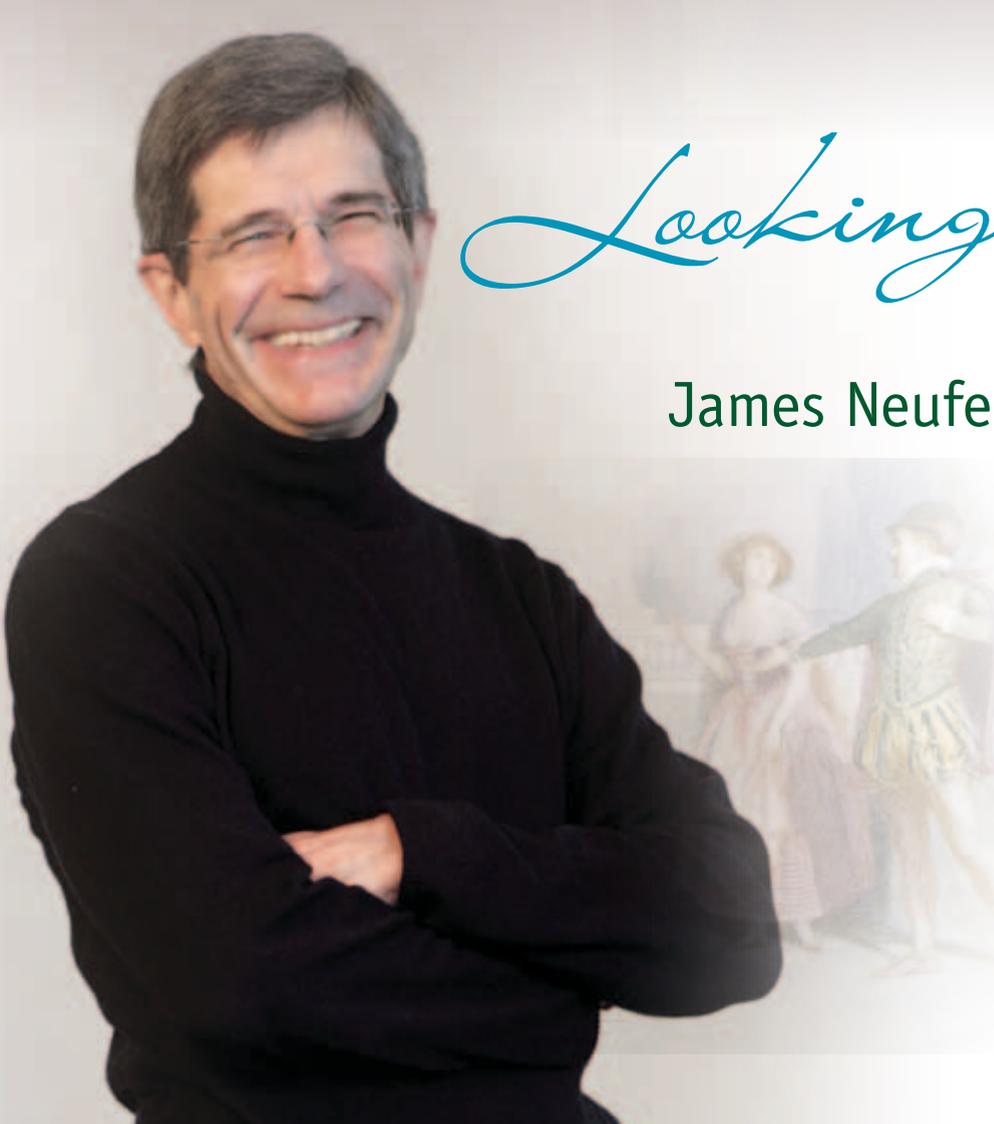


1980s

**TRIVIA ANSWERS**

BATA TRIVIA: C. \$3,600,000  
AC TRIVIA: A. 1977

Bata Fast Facts	Then (1969)	Now
Architect	Ronald H. Thom	Sampson Baird (1993)
Capacity	878	897
Volumes	125,000	593,300 print and 250,000 electronic materials
Staff	45	30 FT and 40 PT Student Employees
Librarian	Jack Martin (1964-1973)	Robert F. Clarke (2007-present)



# Looking Back

## James Neufeld Retires

James Neufeld, a professor in Trent University's Department of English Literature since 1972, is retiring on July 1, 2010. A teacher of Canadian literature and Renaissance and Restoration Drama, James is the author of *Power to Rise: The Story of the National Ballet of Canada* (1996) and *Lois Marshall: A Biography*, which will be published in 2010. James was Vice-President, University Services, from 1990 to 1995, Chair of the English Department from 2000 to 2005 and has recently represented Trent on the Council of Ontario Universities. He has served the Trent community with generosity, integrity and efficiency over the years, touching the lives of students, staff and colleagues with his thoughtful compassion, his sense of humour, and his genuine interest in their well-being. As he prepares

to retire, James finds that his fondest memories are associated with his years as Principal of Traill College. James and his wife, Lynn, who was College Assistant at the time, with their two daughters, Katharine and Amy, lived in the Principal's Lodge from 1982 to 1987. When James reminisced recently about those Traill years, he found himself focusing on a pair of glass doors in the lodge. Here is how he remembers those doors:

"When I was Principal of Traill, and Lynn was the College Assistant (later to become the College Administrator and then the Acting Principal), the headship of a Trent College was still a residential position – we were expected to make our home in the College, and

to open our home to College life. Our daughters were very young when we moved in to the Principal's Lodge (six and four years old), so in many ways this requirement placed an imposition on ordinary family life. For me, the doors helped to make this peculiar arrangement possible. They hung on either side of the central entrance hall of the Lodge, one leading to the dining room and the other to the living room opposite. Because the glass in them was so heavy, they acted as a pretty effective sound barrier when they were closed. I can remember countless occasions when I was holding evening meetings, or doing unscheduled crisis counselling in the living room. I would close the glass door to provide some privacy from the hubbub of children's bedtime going on around us, in the kitchen, in the dining room, eventually trailing upstairs to the bedroom. Other times, because our girls liked to dance in the living room to their favourite records (Disney, Sharon, Lois and Bram, Raffi, all with the volume UP), I remember conducting meetings in the dining room, with both sets of doors closed. There, Lynn and I could concentrate on the business at hand, but through the glass doors keep an eye on our daughters, cavorting about on the carpeted living room floor.

The doors made it possible for us to lead our family life in the midst of the hectic life of the college, and to mix the two so they sometimes seemed indistinguishable. But what do I remember most vividly? I remember the end of a meeting or interview, when I could feel the heavy handle of the door in my hand, and hear the sound it made as I swung it open. And then I remember, as though it were yesterday, the noise of family life reasserting itself, keeping us all connected despite the many interruptions that were simply part and parcel of our lives during that time. Opening those doors brought me back to my family. I like to think the doors also made it possible to bring a family atmosphere to much of the College life Lynn and I tried to foster."

The other person on his mind as he retires is his former colleague, the late Michael Treadwell. Like many of us, he remembers Michael fondly, but says that he wasn't actually present for his favourite memory of him.

"When our daughters were little (probably just two years old and a baby), I was at a Gilbert and Sullivan rehearsal with the car (our only car) and Lynn was home alone with the children. Kath, bouncing around on the sofa as children do, flipped over the back of the sofa and hit her forehead on the cast iron radiator behind it. She wasn't seriously hurt, but in all the blood from the flesh wound, Lynn couldn't know that.

Instinctively, she called the Treadwells, who lived around the corner, and within minutes, both Michael and Florence were



at the door (leaving their own three older children at home), Florence to look after the baby and Michael to rush Lynn and Kath to the hospital. With typical foresight, Michael had phoned ahead to Emergency to let them know they were coming. By the time I got home from rehearsal, all was calm, Kath was in bed, and Michael and Florence had gone back to their family. From an adventure like that, you really know who your friends are."

And so on the occasion of his retirement, James has requested the initiation of a fundraising campaign to add to the endowment of the Michael Treadwell Scholarship, a fund which has been strongly and eloquently supported and promoted by James since its creation. A group of his friends have decided that some of the money raised in such a campaign should go towards the replacement of the glass doors in the Principal's Lodge so that the originals can be given to James and Lynn and placed in their home as a reminder of their life at Traill College. The cost of replacing the doors has already been more than covered by donations.

The Michael Treadwell Scholarship was established in 2000 to honour Professor Michael Treadwell, one of the earliest

members of Trent University's department of English Literature, a noted scholar and bibliographer in the field of seventeenth- and eighteenth-century English Literature, and a devoted friend to his many undergraduate students. Awarded every four years to an entering student of exceptionally high academic achievement and promise, intending to major in the humanities, the scholarship honours Michael and supports humanities students. It is no surprise to those of us who know James that his retirement gift should be a gift to others and to the excellence associated with humanities teaching and scholarship at Traill College and Trent University.

Many of you reading this article in the *Trent Magazine* will remember James and Lynn at Traill during and after those years as they both continued their Trent careers with close connections to Traill College. If you would like to contribute to this initiative in honour of James's retirement and in support of The Michael Treadwell Scholarship, you can easily do so online. On the Trent homepage, click on "Giving to Trent," then on "Ways to Give," then on "Donate Online," then on "Donate Now" (where there is a dropdown menu called "Fund/Designation" in which you will find the "Michael Treadwell Scholarship" listed). At the bottom of that page you'll find a list of "Dedication and Gift Options," where you can choose "Yes, as a gift in honour of/on behalf of" and enter James Neufeld's name. The "Giving to Trent" site also explains how you might make a donation by telephone or by mail if you prefer. 

*Submitted by Gordon Johnston and Margaret Steffler, Department of English Literature*

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March 4	5 to 7 pm at the Belleville Club
March 20	11 am brunch at the Pinestone, Haliburton
April 28	Peterborough
May 6	Aurora
May 7	Barrie

## CHAPTER EVENTS

March 3 & April 8	5:30 pm, Soiree Aperitifs, Brutopia, 1219 Cresecent Street, Montreal
May/June	Meet President Steven Franklin on the set of <i>Degrassi: The Next Generation</i> , Toronto... <b>please pre-register</b> at <a href="mailto:alumni@trentu.ca">alumni@trentu.ca</a>
March/April	Halifax reception with Alumni Director Tony Storey
June 27	2-4 pm, Annual Peterborough Chapter Garden Party at the home of Paul & Gillian Wilson
July	Alumni Chapter receptions in Victoria, Vancouver and Bowen Island, BC

## OTHER ALUMNI & UNIVERSITY EVENTS

March 10	Opening of Bagnani Hall, Trill College
March 15-18	Ryle Lecture series, Trent University – Paul Boghossian '74 – Rules, Relativism and Reduction
March 19-20	Team Trend Annual Reunion Weekend at Trill College
June 2-4	Convocation, Trent University
June 12	Alumni Awards event, Peterborough

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**Allison Hayward,**  
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