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The University of Lethbridge Capital Campaign was kicked off with a leadership commitment of \$3 million from Mr. Allan Markin to the new Management and Health Sciences Building. Mr. Markin is a prominent Albertan who understands the importance of post-secondary education. He is also an outstanding philanthropist who recognizes the transformational effect his support will have on our university. The U of L's alumni, faculty, staff and students are extremely grateful to Mr. Markin for his legacy of leadership.

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On November 29, 2005, the University of Lethbridge publicly launched the Legacy of Leadership Capital Campaign, the largest campaign in the institution's 38-year history.

We have arrived at an exciting juncture in the development of our province and our university, and the Legacy of Leadership Campaign will enable the U of L to catapult to the forefront of post-secondary education. It will help us continue to provide top-notch student services and support; maintain outstanding teaching and world-class research; and build facilities that will balance form and function, giving people the room and tools to do their greatest work. In essence, with the help of our partners in government and with the support of donors, we will create a legacy that will enable the University of Lethbridge to continue to produce the future leaders of our communities.

In addition to this leadership gift from Mr. Allan Markin, there are many others who have come

forward with their support. Most notable are the students of the University of Lethbridge. Their commitment of \$2.5 million to the Regional Health and Wellness Centre truly will be a legacy gift for the countless students of the future who join us at the University of Lethbridge. Staff and faculty have also demonstrated their leadership through the Supporting Our Students Campaign where more than 40 per cent contributed to student awards at the university.

**We invite you to join us as we
set the foundation for the future
of the University of Lethbridge
– your university. There is legacy in
leadership, and there is a significant
opportunity before us now.**

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Among the best ways to keep a University's intellectual and social community vital is to shape a campus environment that fosters productive interactions. This is part of what our Legacy of Leadership Campaign will

continue to enable us to do – build a physical presence that unites us in our academic endeavours.

A very generous gift commitment of \$3 million by Mr. Allan Markin to the new Management and Health Sciences Building is a great way for us to kick off our campaign. This new academic building will be a place where the University's programs of excellence and distinction – the Faculty of Management and the School of Health Sciences – come together and ignite new opportunities in research, teaching and learning.

The students of the University of Lethbridge also deserve equal recognition. Through a referendum, students voted to contribute \$2.5 million to the new Regional Health and Wellness Centre. Their commitment will leave a legacy for future students of the University. Like Mr. Markin's gift, this gift illustrates that the University of Lethbridge is a very worthy recipient of private support.

As we launch our campaign, Mr. Markin's leadership gift, the commitment of our students and our recent staff and faculty commitments illustrate the visionary support shared by so many to help shape the University of Lethbridge of tomorrow. As alumni, I hope you share this vision.

It is worth noting that Mr. Dan Laplante (BMgt '88) has agreed to lead the Legacy of Leadership Campaign as Campaign Chair. Dan has served on our Board of Governors, most recently as Chair of the Advancement Committee, and has illustrated time and again his commitment to this institution. I am very happy he has agreed to be our campaign Chair. He brings with him a tireless energy and passion for post-secondary education that we hope is contagious among our many prospective donors.

Dr. Bill Cade
President and Vice-Chancellor

FEATURES

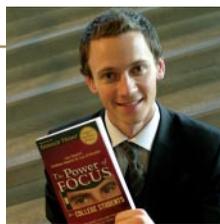
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Last February, **Virgil Grandfield (BA '92)**, an information delegate with the International Federation of Red Cross Crescent Societies, was posted to Indonesia as part of a recovery effort following the tsunami of December 26, 2004. Grandfield, who continues to work in the disaster stricken area, shared his experiences with the Journal via e-mail.

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The Trump Card

It has just been a year since **Andrew Hewitt (BMgt '05)** finished his university degree. He has already established his own company and is the co-author on a recently published book – *The Power of Focus for College Students* – which teaches students how to maximize their university experiences. It's a message that has attracted the attention of New York billionaire Donald Trump.

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A Royal Success

On May 25, 2005, the world watched as Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh arrived in Calgary – the final stop on their 2005 Royal Visit to Canada. The Royal Couple's five-hour stay in Calgary was orchestrated with perfection and was the culmination of thousands of hours of planning and preparation by hundreds of people, including project manager **Lorna Wallace (BMgt '01)**.

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FROM THE ALUMNI OFFICE

MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS BENEFITS

Congratulations to the 326 students who graduated at the fall Convocation ceremony on October 15! It was a beautiful sunny day filled with much excitement and celebration.

As the new graduates leave campus, they set off not only with their achievements, but also with an alumni benefits package. As a graduate of the University of Lethbridge, you have earned yourself a free lifelong membership into the Alumni Association, which entitles you to such benefits and services as:

- A free, permanent @alumni.uleth.ca e-mail forwarding address or the option to keep your @uleth.ca e-mail address at a discounted rate

- Access to the U of L Career and Employment Services office for assistance with your job search, career planning, resume writing and interview skills

- Assistance in reconnecting with former classmates and access to a voluntary alumni directory

- Free subscription to the U of L alumni magazine, the Journal

- Membership discount at the U of L Fitness Centre

- Annual U of L Library membership for \$15 per year, a savings of 50 per cent off the community rate

- Invitations to alumni events

And that's just the beginning. We are always exploring new benefits and services that may be useful to our alumni. However, we need your help in determining what else would be helpful to you. Drop us a line and let us know what you would like in your alumni benefits package.

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To learn more about alumni benefits and services, visit www.uleth.ca/alumni.

ALUMNI EVENTS

Alumni Celebration - June 1

More than 100 alumni and friends attended this celebration, which gave special recognition to the 2005 Alumni Honour Society inductees.



(l-r) Don Chandler (BAsc '73), Pauline Van Roessel (BEd '89), John Bolton (BEd '72), Carol Steen (BAsc '73, BEd '78), Ryan Johnson (BSc '98, MSc '00) and Lorne Williams (BMgt '98)

Alumni Honour Society inductee, Pauline Van Roessel (BEd '89), celebrates with friends.



(l-r) Dori Johnson (BAsc '87), Stephanie Hlady (BA '91), Pauline Van Roessel (BEd '89), Lorraine Beaudin (BEd '89, MEd '98) and Stacy Grey

Calgary Chapter 4th Annual Golf Tournament - August 12

The annual golf tournament was another "hole-in-one" this summer. It was held at the Fox Hollow Golf Club, and golfers enjoyed a round of golf, a delicious meal and a variety of prizes.



(l-r) Michelle Gramatke (BMgt '90), Michelle Hornby, Margie Gal (BMgt '90) and Coral Devcich



(l-r) Travis North (BMgt '93), Doug Lavoie (BA '95), Warner Fitchner and Kelly Shannon (BMgt '94)

Fall Convocation Celebration - October 15

Hosted by the Alumni Association and the Senate, alumni and friends gathered to honour the 2005 Distinguished Alumnus of the Year, Brig.-Gen. Raymond Romses (BAsc '75), and Honorary Degree recipients, Lt.-Gen., the Hon. Dr. Roméo Dallaire, Senator (DHu '05) and Dr. Julie Payette (DSc '05).



(l-r) Dr. Roméo Dallaire (DHu '05), U of L Chancellor Shirley DeBow, Raymond Romses (BAsc '75), Dr. Julie Payette (DSc '05) and ULAA President John Gill (BA '94)



Former players of the '73/'74 Pronghorn volleyball team and Coach Dr. James Day reunite.
(l-r) Raymond Romses (BAsc '75), Dr. James Day, Kim Scott (BAsc '78) and Wayne Street (BAsc '72, BEd '74)



RAISING THE BAR

"This is my way of giving something back to the University."

A call to community service has attracted **John Gill (BA '94)** to both his profession and the U of L Alumni Association. Gill is a crown prosecutor in Lethbridge and is employed by Alberta Justice, Criminal Justice Branch. He has been involved with the Alumni Association in various capacities since he returned to the city from law school in 1997. Now, as the Association's recently appointed president, Gill intends to raise the bar.

"This is my way of giving something back to the University," says Gill. "I'm very excited to be leading the Association. My primary goals are to make the organization more relevant to U of L alumni, to help the Association become better known and add value to alumni through the things that we do."

For example, the Association plans to host a homecoming or reunion to reconnect with alumni and bring them back to campus; review the possibility of affinity programs; establish a speaker series; and become more involved with current students (future alumni) by hosting events like a welcome back barbeque.

The Association also will continue its tradition of recognizing alumni of distinction. This fall, the Association honoured Brigadier-General **Raymond**

Romses (BASC '75) as the Distinguished Alumnus of the Year. "He is an inspiration to us all," says Gill. In the coming spring, the Association will induct the newest members into the Alumni Honour Society.

"The true measure of any university's success lies in its alumni, and I am proud to say that our fellow graduates continue to use their degrees to great success," says Gill.

Achieving success is something Gill knows about first-hand. During his six years as a crown prosecutor, he has worked on a wide range of cases – everything from minor traffic violations to more serious things like drinking and driving and murder charges. He says it's more than just winning the case that provides him with the most satisfaction.

"It is a very rewarding experience to help victims of crime feel like they have achieved some sort of justice for what happened to them," says Gill. "You can honestly feel like you are making a difference."

Although Gill is a fan of Law & Order and enjoys a good John Grisham novel, he says criminal law is not all exciting courtroom drama like it is portrayed in popular culture. "A lot of it is much less

dramatic and, to be honest, some of it is quite sad," says Gill. "As a prosecutor, it is important to dig deeper and analyse problems from different perspectives."

Gill credits his U of L degree for providing him with the foundation for a successful law career.

"My major is in economics. When people ask me if I ever use what I learned, I say, 'Not at all and all the time.' Although I don't use supply and demand graphs, GDP or such, I use skills like thinking logically, analysing problems and working well under pressure every day," says Gill.

Originally from Beaverlodge, AB, Gill transferred to the U of L in his third year from the U of A. This move proved to be the right decision in more ways than one. He met his wife, **Tanya (Baranec) Gill (BA/BEd '00)**, while they were students at the U of L. The couple has a two-year-old son, Alexander, and are very happy to have put down roots in Lethbridge.

Outside the courtroom, Gill is also a sessional instructor of law for social workers. This course is offered through the University of Calgary, Faculty of Social Work, Lethbridge division. He is an avid hiker, marathon runner and strong community supporter.

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DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR 2005

Brigadier-General Raymond Romses BAsc (BA) '75

The University of Lethbridge Alumni Association Distinguished Alumnus/a of the Year Award recognizes individuals for exceptional professional achievements, academic excellence and/or contributions to society. The Association is proud to recognize Brigadier-General Raymond Romses as the 2005 Distinguished Alumnus of the Year for his exceptional professional achievements and service to Canadians.

Romses has served Canadians on a variety of operational tours and appointments, including two tours with the United Nations (UN) Force in Cyprus, a tour with the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) Stabilization Force in Bosnia-Herzegovina and a tour with the UN Force in Ethiopia and Eritrea. He has also seen international service in the United Kingdom with the 3rd

Battalion Parachute Regiment and in Denmark with the Multinational Stand-By High Readiness Brigade. His service in Canada has seen him assigned command of the First Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry; Joint Task Force Two – Canada's special forces unit; Canadian Forces Base Calgary; and Land Force Atlantic Area

– Canada's army in the Atlantic provinces. His leadership abilities have resulted in his progression to the most senior ranks of the Canadian Forces, and he has achieved the general officer rank. Currently, he is assigned as commander Canadian defense liaison staff (London) and defense adviser for the United Kingdom and Ireland. In this latest appointment, Romses is responsible for managing Canada's defence relationship with the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland. He also commands all Canadian Forces personnel in the United Kingdom and provides defence advice to Canada's high commissioner in London and the Canadian ambassador in Dublin.

The exemplary military career that led to these prestigious appointments began in Lethbridge in 1967 when Romses joined the Army Cadets. In 1969, he served as a private soldier with the 18th Field Regiment RCA (militia) until he enrolled in the University of Lethbridge as a Regular Officer Training Plan candidate in 1972. Romses played for the Pronghorn volleyball team and met his wife, **Carol Ririe (BAsc '76)**, during his time at the University. After graduating with a BAsc (BA) in history in 1975, Romses was commissioned as a lieutenant into the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.



In addition to his military service, Romses has been actively involved with the Calgary Military Museum Society, the Army Museum at the Halifax Citadel and the Nova Scotia International Tattoo. He is also a patron of the Halifax Citadel Regimental Association. He has continued his athletic pursuits and played on numerous volleyball and hockey teams. In July 2004 and 2005, he led 220-person Canadian Forces contingents more than 160 kilometres at the Nijmegen Marches in the Netherlands. The Canadian military has participated in this annual four-day march since 1952.

The Honourable Ronald Jacobson, retired colonel and Provincial Court judge in Lethbridge, was the commanding officer of the 18th Field Regiment RCA (militia) while Romses was serving in it. "I have had the opportunity to observe the progress of Brigadier-General Romses' successful military career. He has clearly distinguished himself, his family, community and Canada and, in doing so, he has also distinguished the University of Lethbridge," says Jacobson.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

To nominate an individual as the Distinguished Alumnus/Alumna of the Year or to the Alumni Honour Society, visit <http://alumni.uleth.ca> and click on "Distinguished Alumni." There you can download a PDF of the nomination form, learn more about these recognition awards and read about past recipients. The nomination deadline is January 31, 2006.

The U of L Makes the Grade in Annual University Rankings

The University of Lethbridge scored grades ranging from “A+” to “B+” in approximately half the categories in the 2005 Globe and Mail University Report Card. For the second year in a row, the U of L is the only Alberta post-secondary educational institution to receive an A-level ranking (A-) in the Overall Quality of Education category.

In the 2005 Maclean’s magazine annual rankings of Canadian universities, the U of L increased or maintained its position in one-half of the categories and recorded 10 “top 10” placements, including a critical first-place finish in the Medical Science Grant category.

Fall 2005 Convocation

More than 1,000 people attended the October 15 Convocation ceremony, which recognized 326 graduates, 2005 Distinguished Alumnus of the Year Brig.-Gen. Raymond Romses and Honorary Degree recipients Lt.-Gen., the Hon. Roméo Dallaire, Senator, and astronaut Julie Payette.

The U of L Launches its 04/05 Community Report

In October, 325,000 copies of the U of L’s 2004/2005 Community Report were distributed across the province. Visit www.uleth.ca/report to read about the noteworthy achievements that took place at the U of L this year.

Fulbright Scholarships

Two faculty members from the University of Lethbridge are privileged to receive one of the academic community’s most prestigious international scholarships – the Fulbright Scholarship. Dr. Derek Peddle (Geography) and Dr. Geoffrey Hale (Political Science) are among the few Canadian scholars chosen in 2005 by the Canada-U.S. Fulbright program to study in the United States. This is Peddle’s second Fulbright award and Hale’s first. “It is extremely rare for an institution of our size to receive not one, but two Fulbright awards,” says U of L President Dr. Bill Cade.

The Alberta Terrestrial Imaging Centre Receives \$1.2 Million from the Province

Premier Ralph Klein visited the Lethbridge campus on October 27 to announce that the Alberta Terrestrial Imaging Centre will receive \$1.2 million in provincial funding to help purchase scientific equipment. The Alberta Terrestrial Imaging Centre is the primary receiving and distribution station for images taken through a special satellite technology called SPOT.



The industry partner in the Centre, Iunctus Geomatics Corp., successfully bid for the North American rights to SPOT satellite imagery and is the exclusive provider of this data to Canadian clients. Iunctus Geomatics Corp. President **Ryan Johnson (BSc '98, MSc '00)** says the Centre is a great example of how the provincial government, the University and small business can work together to create a research centre that offers new opportunities and economic benefits for the region.

University Hall Renovations

The Province of Alberta is providing \$5 million for the University of Lethbridge to put towards University Hall renovations. A two-phase project will upgrade the air quality and ventilation systems to improve energy efficiency and the indoor environment. The government announcement was made on September 15.

Water and Environmental Science Building

The rain that Lethbridge experienced on September 15 was an appropriate backdrop for Advanced Education Minister Dave Hancock’s announcement that the University will receive \$12 million in capital funding to help construct the Water and Environmental Science Building. It will be constructed northwest of the Canadian Centre for Behavioural Neuroscience (CCBN) in the Exploration Place research park.

With the new provincial funding from the Alberta government, the University is poised to become a leader in water-related research and education in North America. The new facility will provide both laboratory and office space for investigators and their research teams. Construction is expected to be complete by mid-2007.

Students Leave a Legacy

In an October referendum, students agreed to continue their long history of contributing to capital projects by supporting the Regional Health and Wellness Centre. The “yes” vote sends a strong message to the Province and private donors by demonstrating that the facility has the support of the University, the community and students.

Every student who has attended the University of Lethbridge since 1976 has helped build its campus. The Students’ Union (SU) Building and the Library Information Network Centre (LINC) stand as testaments to this legacy.



To stay current with the Regional Health and Wellness Centre construction, please go to <http://www.uleth.ca/hwc/>.

You can read more about what's happening at the U of L by reading the campus newspaper, *The Legend*, online at www.uleth.ca/legend.



THROUGH the APERTURE

aperture: a space through which light passes in an optical or photographic instrument

A look through the aperture will provide you with a glimpse of how educational excellence is defined and accomplished at the U of L. You'll learn more about the extraordinary work that goes on here each and every day, and the contributions that faculty and staff make to the University and the community.

Through the Aperture tells the University's story as it's best told – through the people.



In this special issue of Through the Aperture, we are excited to introduce three former U of L Pronghorns – **Greg Gatto (BA/BEEd '00)**, **Brad Mori (BA/BEEd '02)** and **Donna Branch (BEEd '84)** – who have returned “home” to coach the Horns.



The Aperture is a 20-foot-high concrete art structure. It was unveiled at a special Convocation in September 1972 when the University of Lethbridge campus was officially opened.

GREG GATTO BA/BEd '00

Pronghorn Men's Hockey Team Head Coach

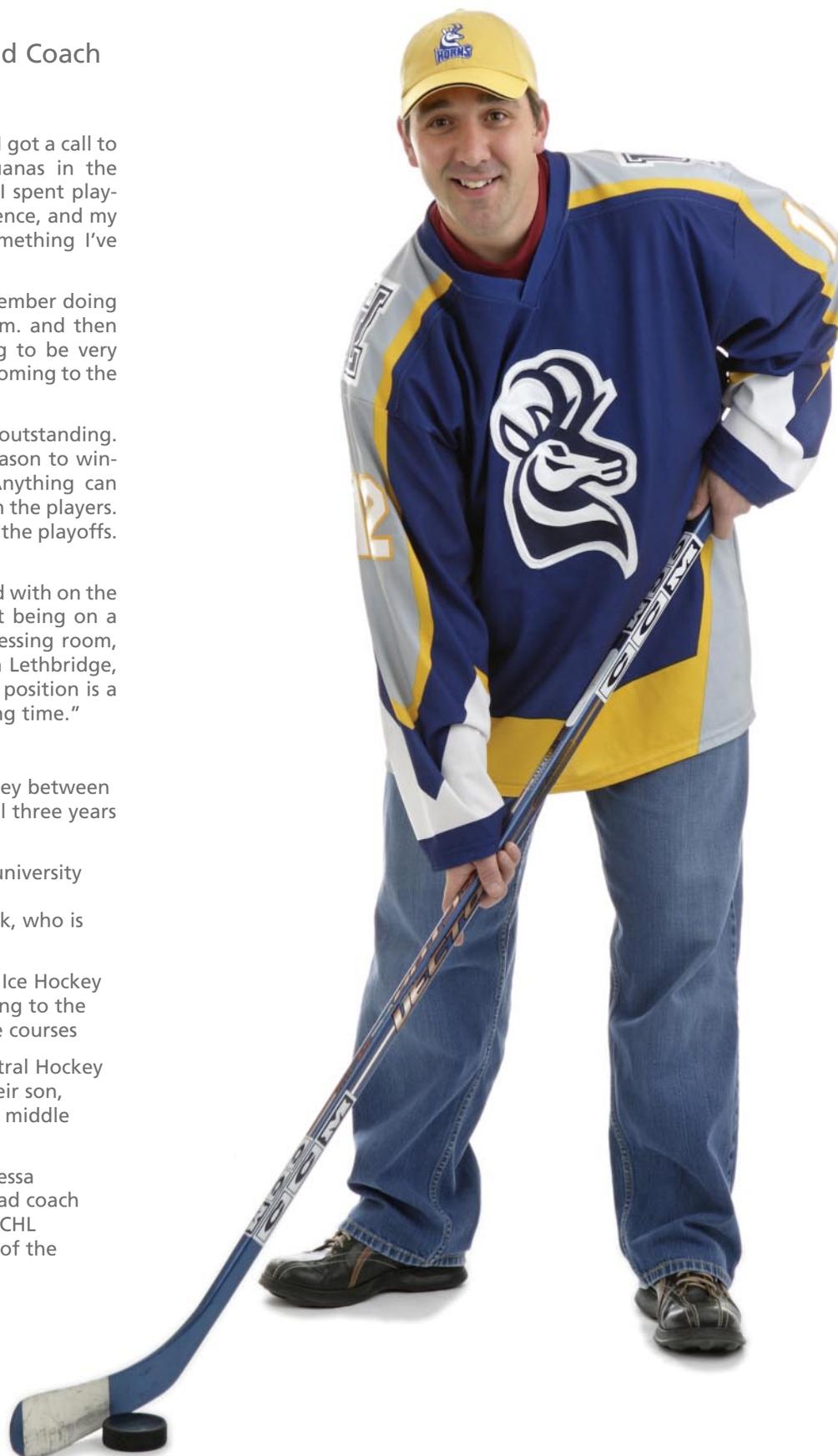
"I was planning to start teaching in 2000 when I got a call to go down and play for the San Antonio Iguanas in the Central Hockey League (CHL). The three years I spent playing in the league were a great learning experience, and my time there led me to coaching. Hockey is something I've grown up with, and I want to stay involved.

"It can be tough to be a student athlete. I remember doing my teaching practicum from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and then racing over to the rink for practice. I'm going to be very competitive, but I also want the team to enjoy coming to the rink and having a good time with the guys.

"The five years that I played at the U of L were outstanding. We went from a last place finish in my first season to winning the championship in my second year. Anything can happen, and I am trying to instill that message in the players. We can't be content with enough wins to make the playoffs. We're trying to win a championship.

"Many of my good friends are guys who I played with on the Pronghorns. It's one of the nicest things about being on a sports team – as soon as you walk into the dressing room, you have instant friendships. My family lives in Lethbridge, and I have connections to the community. This position is a natural fit, and I intend on being here for a long time."

- Played five seasons of Pronghorn Men's Hockey between 1992 and 1997, serving as captain for his final three years on the team
- Was a member of the '93/'94 Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union (CIAU) Men's Hockey National Championship team coached by Mike Babcock, who is now coaching the Detroit Red Wings
- Moved to England in 1997 and played in the Ice Hockey Superleague for the next three years, returning to the U of L in the summer to complete his elective courses
- Met his wife, Molly, while playing in the Central Hockey League (CHL) in Texas from 2000 to 2003. Their son, Taylor, is an eight-year-old hockey fan whose middle name, Gretz, was inspired by Wayne Gretzky
- Served as the assistant coach of the CHL's Odessa Jackalopes for the '03/'04 season, and the head coach of the Austin Ice Bats for most of the '04/'05 CHL season before he was appointed head coach of the Pronghorn Men's Hockey Team in July





BRAD MORI BA/BEd '02

Pronghorn Swim Team and
LA Swim Club Head Coach

"After my parents built a pool in the backyard in the mid-'80s, they asked me if I would like to join a swim club. I said no, but they signed me up anyways. Swimming has become my passion. It has taught me so many valuable lessons and developed life skills that now allow me to be a contributing member of society.

"Being the head coach of the LA Swim Club and Pronghorn Swim Team is an ideal position for a swim coach, because it allows you to work with kids from a young age through to the end of their university careers. You develop great relationships with the athletes and have a chance to celebrate the different phases of their athletic careers.

"Our swim team mission is to provide student athletes with the opportunity to pursue high-performance excellence in the sport of swimming. The team objectives include providing opportunities for personal growth and the development of life skills, and creating a unique support and social group that will enhance each individual's university experience and ability to achieve personal goals. We are striving to make the Pronghorn Swim Team the best alternative program to a major centre. We look to recruit swimmers who may be overlooked by other universities but, within our program, have the potential to quickly become contributing members of the team.

"I am living my dream. Swimming is what brought me to Lethbridge, and I'm staying here to coach it. I have the opportunity to coach full time and help young athletes develop as people and enjoy the sport I have gained so much from. As a Pronghorn swimming alumnus, I look forward to building upon the tradition of swimming excellence in Lethbridge."

- After finishing in the top eight in the 100-metre breast stroke at the 1996 Olympic trials, he accepted an athletic scholarship to Georgia Southern University and won multiple Southern States Athletic Conference medals. Left after one year and swam for the U of L from 1997 to 2002
- As a Pronghorn, acquired seven Canada West medals and four Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) medals, established school records in the 100-metre and 50-metre breaststroke events and participated in two relay team school records
- Swam his way to the World Cup finals three times and won the gold medal in the 50-metre breaststroke and the silver medal in the 100-metre breaststroke at the 1999 Canadian national championships
- Worked as a substitute teacher and the head coach of the Excalibur Swim Team in Lethbridge for the past three years before he was appointed head coach of the Pronghorn Swim Team and LA Swim Club in August

DONNA BRANCH BEd '84

Pronghorn Women's Basketball
Team Head Coach

"When I step into a gym to play or coach, my passion for the game takes over. I think it's because of the way I was raised in Picture Butte, AB. My dad, George Hanna, was a great teacher and a great basketball coach. My family spent hours playing basketball in the school gym on Sundays, and my parents never told any of their children that we needed to be any better than we were. Four of us went on to play basketball at the university level.

"I did some coaching when I was a teacher, but the passion really came back to me when I started coaching provincially in 2003. The player takes over and a lot of natural instincts kick in when you are coaching great athletes at an elite level. It was a big step to give up a teaching career of 22 years to coach full time, but this opportunity at the U of L came along at the right time. Coming back to coach where I played is nice, and I love what I do.

"I go to work some days at 5 a.m. and get home at 10 at night, and I have coached all summer for the past three years. Home-cooked meals are a rarity. I travel so much that I am very conscious to make sure that I spend time with my husband when I am home. I couldn't do it without his support.

"As a student athlete, you are an athlete, a student and a role model. I tell many stories about my university experiences, because I don't want the girls to make the same errors I made. I have always said that if I don't create a better person and a better player, I haven't done my job as a coach."

- At the end of her second season playing with the Pronghorn Women's Basketball Team in 1979, she was named the U of L's Female Athlete of the Year and a Canada West first all star
- Transferred to the University of Calgary in 1979 and played two seasons with the Dinos while completing her bachelor of physical education degree
- Returned to the U of L in the fall of 1981 to study education and served as an assistant coach for the Pronghorn Women's Basketball Team for the next two years
- After coaching Team Alberta's midget girls basketball team to a silver medal at the national championships and a gold at the Western Canada Summer Games in 2003, Branch was named Basketball Alberta's Baden Coach of the Year for a female program
- Coached the provincial juvenile girls team to silver medals at the national level in 2004 and 2005
- Joined four Pronghorn alumni and other veteran university-level women basketball players to win gold in their age category at the 2005 World Masters Games in Edmonton in July 2005
- She and her husband, Barton, have two sons — Mackenzie (22) and Alec (19)





JOYCE ITO

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Faculty of Education

"I think of myself as the 1-800 helpline for all graduate students in the Faculty of Education. The majority of our 180 graduate students are teachers by day and students by night. The time they have available to focus on their studies is limited. I do whatever I can to assist them with the administrative and program details to maximize the time they have available for their coursework. I guide them from point A to point B, ensuring they have the right number of courses and informing them of dates, deadlines and other program-related information. They don't have to worry because they know I'm just a phone call or e-mail away.

"The Faculty of Education has three on-campus graduate programs: MEd (General), MEd (Counselling Psychology) and MEd (Educational Leadership). We also currently offer the MEd (General) program to off-campus cohorts in Calgary, Peace River and Belize. I look forward to July because these students are on campus for the summer program and I can put faces to the names I know so well.

"I began working at the University in 1973, and the majority of my time has been spent in the Faculty of Education. I have held my current position in the Office of Graduate Studies and Research since 2001. I enjoy helping and interacting with the students. The appreciation (and sometimes chocolate) I receive for the assistance I provide confirms that what I'm doing is valuable. I see the students as individuals, not ID numbers."

- She and her husband, Roy, have two children – Brody (BSc '05), is who currently attending the U of A and studying pharmacy, and Aubree, who received her central sterile processing certificate from LCC in 2004
- Works out at the U of L Fitness Centre every day
- Belongs to a riding club in Taber, participates in riding events every Monday evening with her horse, Cool Momentum, and rides at her home in Cranford every chance she gets
- Travels with Aubree and her horse, MyOtherBrotherDarryl, to local horse shows
- Grew up on a farm in Skiff, which is south-east of Lethbridge, went to school in Foremost and completed a secretarial certificate at LCC

GLENNA WESTWOOD B.A.Sc (BA) '84 Professional Librarian, University Library

"I am a fan of small folk festivals, small cities, small universities and big minds. I feel I received an amazingly high-quality undergraduate education in an institution that cared about learning for learning's sake. I was never treated like a commodity or a customer. It was a real community in the very best sense.

"One of the things I enjoy most about my work as an academic librarian is the intellectual challenge – continuing to question my own beliefs and the beliefs and traditions of my profession. It's very rewarding.

"I believe strongly in the value of a good education. My job is to provide students with the resources and knowledge they need to participate fully in their own learning. As the librarian responsible for the fine arts and modern languages, I want to make sure students who are engaged in other types of learning (painting, acting or the acquisition of a new language for example) have access to the kinds of information resources they need to support their unique learning needs.

"In August I went to Banda Aceh, Indonesia, for two weeks to visit a friend of mine who is on a year-long mission with the Red Cross. The experience I had there was overwhelming; it was life changing. I have lived in developing countries and am not a complete stranger to poverty and economic and political strife. But witnessing the devastation in this place, seven months on, was still very emotional. I don't know how one recovers from a disaster of this magnitude. Thankfully there are thousands of dedicated staff and volunteers, like my friend, over there working six and seven days a week, 12 hours a day, doing their best to make sure recovery takes place."

See page 12 for a related story.

- Has lived in West Africa, Mexico, the United States and across Canada
- A second generation U of L employee (her father, Dr. Bill Cooke, was a professor in the Faculty of Education)
- Developed a three-credit information literacy course for fine arts students
- Collaborated with the U of L Art Gallery and the Southern Alberta Art Gallery to bring collections online
- Hosts a weekly folk music radio show on CKXU
- Director of the South Country Fair Association
- Enjoys folk music, learning new languages and travelling with her daughter Alex



the [photo] journal



Photos By Virgil Grandfield, IFRC

“ Cars and helicopters twisted and shredded like wet paper by the tsunami. An obliterated prison with no trace of the men who must have died in their cells. The arm of a dead woman being uncovered from a collapsed, ammonia-drenched garbage mountain near Bandung, Java.”



Photo courtesy of the Lethbridge Herald, by David Rossiter

These are the chilling reflections of **Virgil Grandfield (BA '92)**, an information delegate with the International Federation of Red Cross Crescent Societies in Indonesia. Last February, Grandfield was posted to Indonesia as part of a recovery effort following the tsunami of December 26, 2004. Grandfield, who continues to work in the disaster stricken area, corresponded with the Journal and answered the following questions via e-mail.

Photos above l-r: (1) In the first three weeks, we evacuated and treated hundreds of injured people and brought food, shelter and comfort to almost 20,000 people in the hardest-to-reach areas of the island. Notice that the first box out of the plane was from the Canadian Red Cross. It brought tears to my eyes just to touch a piece of home. Later, I had a peek and learned I had been crying over a box of bed sheets. (2) Learning to cast a fishing net at the Malaysian Red Crescent fish farm rehabilitation project in north Aceh. (3) I took this picture as we were approaching an island north of Banda Aceh to deliver trucks and supplies for reconstruction projects. The empty shore in the distance used to be a town of concrete buildings, light poles, stores, homes, etc. Two-thirds of the town's 800 residents were killed in the wave and one third of the land was carved away. (4) From the bow of a riverboat while on leave in Thailand.

THE ALUMNAC

J What is the scope of your work with the Red Cross?

VG In Banda Aceh, the scope of my usual work has been enormous – the absolute toughest job of my life. My team and I report on the activities of the International Federation, the Indonesian Red Cross, 32 Red Cross and Red Crescent societies, hundreds of workers and thousands of volunteers working in earthquake and tsunami recovery actions all over Aceh and Nias Island.

J What can you tell us about these regions?

VG Indonesia is the most disaster-prone country in the world and, in fact, we experience earthquakes in Banda Aceh almost every week. In the first two months of my mission, I was at the site of major disasters in four different parts of the country. What I experienced was terrible, but nothing compared to what survivors and young volunteers of the Indonesian Red Cross had to deal with after the tsunami. My department started a radio show that reaches tens of thousands of tsunami victims, with two Acehese psychologists helping people work through post-traumatic stress etc. related to the tsunami. The response has been phenomenal, and I think it's donor money very well spent.



Tsunami survivors and the Red Cross unload a landing craft together to begin the rebuilding of the Pulau Aceh island village.

J When did you move from Aceh to Nias?

VG In March, a major earthquake destroyed thousand of homes and killed at least 900 people on the Island of Nias. I arrived on the island as part of a field assessment team, and within a few days, was put in charge of Red Cross operations for the island. We built a camp of bamboo and tarps, lived in the mud and worked our hearts out 15 to 20 hours a day unloading planes, caring for the injured and giving shelter and comfort to thousands of people. When I left Nias at the end of April, I weighed 20 pounds less than the day I left Lethbridge on February 1.

J Has your experience been what you expected?

VG I fully expected to work hard under a lot of stress, maybe write a lot of stories and take lots of photos. I never expected to be directing helicopter missions, organizing relief operations, reconnoitring sites for landing craft or running camps. When I applied for the Red Cross, I told them I had a varied background and could fit into any situation. I don't think any of us had any idea what was in store.

This massive electrical generating ship was dumped by the tsunami in the middle of this neighbourhood, a full three kilometres from the ocean. There are vehicles and five houses flattened under that ship.



J What does the future hold for you?

VG My mission here ends February 5, 2006. I have no idea what is next, but I am very tired and think of home all the time.



From the Nias operation: I am on the right and the guy on my left is a Swiss Red Cross air ops. My job was to organize and lead all Red Cross teams for earthquake rescue and relief ops, including Japanese, Singaporean, Spanish, French, Swiss, Indonesian, Hong Kong, Belgian and Netherlands Red Cross. We built camp mostly out of bamboo and plastic tarps, worked around the clock and lost a lot of weight.

J What is the current state of these recovery efforts?

VG The recovery is going slower than most anyone expected. The extent of the damage is difficult to grasp even when you are standing in the middle of it. The tsunami tore away the earth and pulverized everything in its path for swaths of up to five kilometres wide for about 1,500 kilometres of Aceh's coastlines. I would imagine only scores of nuclear weapons could have come close to this kind of damage. The tsunami was not made of just water; it was a wave of concrete, wood, steel, trees, cars, bridges, light poles, machinery, boulders and ships. How anyone survived is beyond me.

There are also many problems in determining land ownership, new plans for communities and rehabilitating infrastructure. Before houses can be built, roads and streets must be re-plotted to avoid dead ends and bottlenecks that prevented so many people from escaping the tsunami. Entire new water systems must be rebuilt with earthquake resistant materials. There are also difficulties in securing enough certified materials and qualified labour for a job so mind-boggling in size.



First help at first light. Moments like these make all the hard, hard hours and months worth it.



Most population centres on the Island of Nias suffered this level of destruction.

J What lasting impressions did you take away from these experiences?

VG A young man on his knees watching and weeping, waiting for a tractor to uncover his brother, the last of 20-some family members killed by an avalanche. The smell of death in the dust streets of Nias. Stacks of dark, wooden coffins at the port. Rescuers down a hole, carefully freeing a man alive after five days trapped in his home. Finding a badly injured girl suffering in a van a week after an earthquake; her penniless mother thinking she had to pay for a doctor. Being filthy and smelling bad and having a woman let me hold her baby for a while, to feel and remember what it is all about.

J How did your background prepare you for this mission?

VG Going to a good, small school such as the University of Lethbridge gave me a tremendous leg up for a job like this. Being welcome and able to participate in student government, newspaper, sports, radio and theatre gave me confidence and skills I have to use every day. Theatre? It takes an actor to make a speech from the back of a cargo truck to keep three villages from fighting each other. Or to deliver lines to more than 50 world media in a single night. Or conduct an impromptu press conference when a dozen reporters walk through the door.

CANADIAN-MADE IMAGING SYSTEM HAS LIFE-SAVING POTENTIAL

U of L alumnus **Dr. Blaine Chronik (BSc '94)** and his scientific team are playing an important role in the fight against cancer.

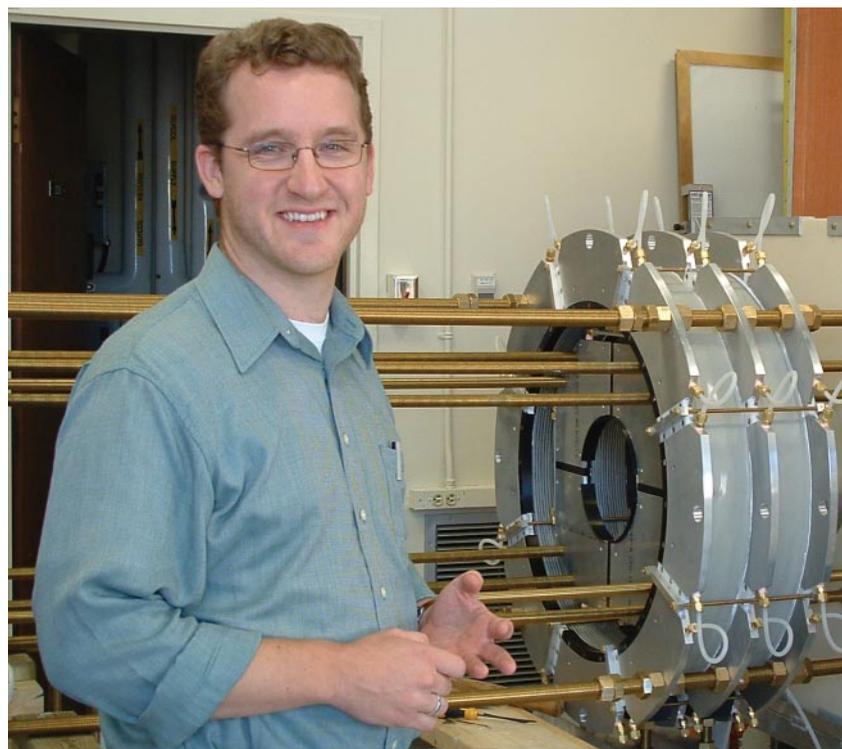
In cancer patients, a tiny tumour can become an enormous enemy. The need for earlier, more accurate detection was the inspiration for a new Canadian-made imaging system. The “superscanner,” the brainchild of U of L alumnus **Dr. Blaine Chronik (BSc '94)** and his scientific team, is a promising new weapon in the fight against cancer.

By combining the strengths of two existing scanner systems – PET and MRI – the new machine may be the most advanced medical imaging system ever developed.

Positron Emission Tomography (PET) involves injecting a patient with radioactive sugar to track where the body tissues are most active. “If you’re looking at a small cancer, it is going to start behaving differently early on. PET can detect changes in the way tissues work,” says Chronik. The use of PET is still rare in Canada – supplanted by its more common cousin, Magnetic Resonance Imaging. MRI uses magnetic fields, which interact with water in the body and detects areas of high concentration.

“The combination of these two systems will provide more information, while being more accurate, more sensitive and an earlier detector of cancer,” says Chronik. A large-scale version of the machine, designed for use with animal subjects, is currently under development. If the project is successful, a prototype for human testing should soon follow.

Chronik became interested in MRI research while studying physics as an undergraduate student at the U of L. He completed his bachelor of science degree in 1994 and was awarded the Faculty of Arts and Science Gold Medal as well as the Silver Medal of



Dr. Blaine Chronik (BSc '94) with the PET/MRI system in construction.

the Governor General of Canada. “When I left Lethbridge I came to London, ON, because it was, and is, the best place to do MRI research in Canada,” says Chronik, who received his doctorate from the University of Western Ontario in 2000.

Chronik moved to San Francisco, CA, where he worked at Stanford University as a postdoctoral fellow, and later as a research associate in the Department of Electrical Engineering. In 2003, he was recruited to the Department of Physics and Astronomy at the University of Western Ontario as a Canada Research Chair in Medical Physics – one of 2,000 research professorships established by the Canadian government.

“I decided not to go into industry because I really wanted to do the kind

of research projects that I thought were important,” says Chronik. “If you like making your own decisions, it is definitely a better job to work as a professor. It’s like having your own business.”

Chronik’s other research includes studying the effects of magnetic fields on the human body and the improvement of existing MRI systems. “I have never wanted to spend all my time working with physicists, and in what I do now, the collaborative group is very diverse,” says Chronik. “I spend some of my time with clinicians, applied math people, chemists and biologists. It’s a great environment.”

Outside of the office, Chronik is a former Ironman Canada participant and is engaged to be married.

Photo by Mitch Zimmer, University of Western Ontario



SPECIAL SECTION

MANAGEMENT *matters*

To say that the Faculty of Management's newly appointed dean, Dr. Murray Lindsay, is enthusiastic about being at the Faculty's helm doesn't quite capture it.

He's keen for sure, but he also has a captain's determination to set the course and steer the ship straight. Lindsay has been on the job since September 1, 2005. Although he is still getting to know the crew, he's already in the crow's nest.

The U of L's innovative programs, its affinity for change and dedication to providing a high-quality liberal arts education proved to be a strong enough pull to bring the Saskatchewan-born Lindsay back to the West from the Richard Ivey School of Business at the University of Western Ontario.

"There are so many reasons to celebrate what the Faculty has accomplished," says Lindsay. "The U of L is a leader in management education. We are the largest undergraduate management program in Alberta; we offer innovative programs and courses along with strong teaching; the Calgary and Edmonton campuses continue to grow; and we are doing good research."

Lindsay explains that the first order of business is to collaborate on the development of a strategic plan and set the Faculty's future direction – something he plans to accomplish within a year. The Faculty's principles – innovation, integration, interaction and interna-



tionalization – and commitment to teaching will serve as the strategic plan's foundation.

"While teaching will remain very important, we are also going to increase our research presence and effectiveness," says Lindsay. "My overarching objective is to lead the Faculty of Management in strengthening its national and international reputation for excellence in both teaching and research. We will accomplish this

by focusing on what we can do well, by being different and by offering selective graduate programs. We will not be your typical business school."

Lindsay, a certified management accountant, completed his bachelor's and master's degrees at the University of Saskatchewan and his PhD at the University of Lancaster in England. He and his wife, Linda, have three daughters aged four, eight and 11.

MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

I cannot contain my excitement at becoming the new dean of the Faculty of Management. Our Faculty is probably the best-kept secret in business education! Where else can you find opportunities for international exchange, co-op, mentoring with business leaders and the truly integrative experience of our IME program combined with small class sizes, inspired teaching and a liberal arts focus. I sincerely believe that we offer one of the best undergraduate management education programs in the country.

However, we will not stand still; we will get even better. Here are just a few of the key initiatives currently underway. The hallmark of a great university is its alumni. Connecting and strengthening our relationship with you is a priority. It is through you that we can become more relevant and offer our students access to an expanded career network, mentoring and career opportunities. Our previous strategic plan (Road Map 2005) is coming to an end. We will be embarking on the creation of a new vision that preserves our core principles and values while stimulating progress for the future. The Faculty of Management has outgrown its facilities. There is no longer space for additional students or faculty. This situation calls for a new building and the launch of a fundraising campaign to make it a reality. Allan Markin's generous donation and BMO Financial Group's commitment are wonderful beginnings towards this end. Finally, the world is changing and so must our offerings. Plans are already underway to create new programs at the graduate level to fill market niches to serve the interests of Alberta.

I invite you to share my excitement and to become involved in these and other initiatives. In the coming months I look forward to meeting with you and hearing your ideas for getting our message out and becoming even better.

Dr. Murray Lindsay, Dean
Faculty of Management

FACULTY NEWS

BMO Financial Group Donates to U of L

BMO Financial Group announced a donation of \$250,000 to the University of Lethbridge for its planned Management and Health Sciences Building on November 8, 2005.



(l-r) Ted McCarron, Senior Vice-President, BMO Bank of Montreal for Prairies Division, presents U of L President Dr. Bill Cade with a \$250,000 cheque for the U of L's planned Management and Health Sciences Building

"Our donation to the University of Lethbridge is further proof of our commitment to supporting and strengthening higher learning at universities in Alberta and across the country," says Ted McCarron, senior vice-president, BMO Bank of Montreal for Prairies Division. "We believe that our financial support will help the University to maintain its high level of innovative and interactive programming with a rapidly increasing student population."

This new building will enable the University to meet its growing needs for research and student classroom space.

"The Management and Health Sciences Building will enable the University of Lethbridge to build on its tradition of graduating the future leaders of our province," says U of L President Dr. Bill Cade. "Through their support of this wonderful new facility, BMO Financial Group is illustrating leadership and vision."

The U of L Welcomes New Directors on the Calgary and Edmonton Campuses

Dr. Don Grant, the new director of the U of L's Calgary campus, doesn't shy from challenges; he embraces them.

"I always had various interests, and I often tried to stretch myself to experience something different," says Grant, who took the position in July after serving as director of administration with the University of Calgary's Haskayne MBA program.

That attitude led to a broad career that has included teaching high school physical education and coaching, and being a school administrator, stockbroker and independent consultant. Grant worked for the Saskatoon public school district for 18 years before moving to Alberta in 1999.

Grant is also a role model for lifelong learning. He completed his first degree in 1974 at the University of

Saskatchewan, a master's degree in the late 1980s from the University of Victoria and a doctorate in the mid-1990s from the University of Alberta.

While still fairly new to the U of L, the collegiality was apparent from the beginning.

"The whole atmosphere is open and friendly. That's been a real enjoyment for me," he says.

Grant wants to spread the word about the U of L, especially to corporate Calgary and its pool of mentors.

"I think it will only build on the success we've seen here in Calgary," says Grant.



Naomi (Stephan) Beke (BA '92) can think of nothing better than giving students the same kind of experience she had at the University of Lethbridge.



"I'm very passionate about the U of L," says Beke. "I would like other students to have the same quality of experience."

Beke began her position as the new Edmonton campus director in October 2005, and she is eager to spread the word about the "amazing" U of L programs offered in the capital.

"One of my biggest goals is to raise our profile in Edmonton," says Beke.

Along with developing an advisory council, Beke wants to create an alumni chapter in Edmonton and continue networking with organizations like the Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Society of Northern Alberta.

Beke comes to the U of L from the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology where she conducted institutional research and gained expertise in the Edmonton labour market in the process. Beke has been a sessional instructor on the U of L's Edmonton campus since 2004 and will continue to teach along with her duties as director.

Beke earned a master's degree in agricultural economics and business at the University of Guelph. She also completed two years of full-time PhD studies at the University of Alberta before joining the workforce.



the art of
BALANCE

“Maintaining balance is like walking a wire – you just keep making adjustments along the way.”

Her charisma is as captivating as her smile. Her enthusiasm and energy are seemingly endless. And the positive energy that surrounds her is infectious. **Deri Latimer (BMgt '84)** is a professional speaker, trainer, human resource consultant and now author. This fall, she reconnected with her alma mater and made a special presentation – Paradox: The Yin and Yang of Work/Life Balance – at the U of L's Calgary Alumni Event on September 22. Just prior to the event, she sat down with the Journal and filled us in on how her career and business have evolved and how she has managed to achieve success while keeping her own work and life in balance.

J: How did you get to this point in your life?

DL: After I completed my degree, I worked in both the telecommunications and the oil and gas industries in Alberta for a period of about four years. Through those experiences, I began to see similarities regarding human resource issues across industries and within both the private and public sectors. While I was working in Calgary, though, I started to miss the “wide-open spaces” of the Prairies. I headed back home to Manitoba and began working for Northern Telecom Canada Limited (now known as Nortel Networks Inc.). This was an incredibly valuable professional development experience. I knew for a while that I wanted to work as a consultant, but it was while working at Northern Telecom that I really started to take the idea of developing my business seriously. At that time, I also met two consultants who I wanted to work with, and I decided then that it was time to “take the plunge.”

I worked with the other consultants for a few years before going out on my own, which happened to coincide with the birth of my first child. Having the freedom and flexibility that comes from self-employment was very helpful for maintaining my work-life balance. It was a good time to start a family because I could decide to take on work, or not, depending on what was happening with our family.

J: What motivates you?

DL: Like lots of parents, my kids give me motivation. I want to do what I can to have this be a good world for them to grow up in. I know I play a small part in contributing positive energy to the world. The work I do allows me to be able to talk to many different groups of people and provide them with alternate perspectives on their workplace issues. A lot of groups that I work with are busy, stressed and experiencing negativity. Because I'm not attached to their organizations, I can give them a variety of tools and resources that can be useful for their unique environment. I have found that people find that refreshing.

J: How did you become a contributing author in Expert Women Who Speak...Speak Out!, Volume 5?

DL: I joined the Canadian Association of Professional Speakers in 2004 – one of the best professional development decisions that I have ever made. Through CAPS, I was connected with two speakers who had an idea to start a series of books authored by Canadian women professional speakers sharing life and success strategies. Writing this chapter was an amazing growth experience for me.

J: How do you maintain balance in your life?

DL: I know that I'm very lucky to have the life that I have in terms of my work. I can choose when I will work and make decisions depending on what is going on in our lives. I am very clear about what my purpose is in my life regarding my family and my work. I maintain that clarity at the forefront of everything I do. I make priorities for my husband, my children and my health. These things are not negotiable. Maintaining balance is like walking a wire – you just keep making adjustments along the way.

J: What is your greatest life lesson?

DL: That I always have a choice. I've realized that things will happen to me in my life that I don't choose, but I always have a choice in the way I respond to those things. My behaviour is my choice. There's a freedom that comes with that realization.

Latimer resides in Winnipeg, MB, with her husband, Randy, and two children, Ali (11) and Max (8).

The TRUMP CARD

It has just been a year since **Andrew Hewitt (BMgt '05)** finished his university degree, and the 23 year old is already living his dream career – something he had planned out well before he left the U of L campus. Hewitt and his business partner, Luc d'Abadie, have their own company called Focused Futures Inc., and they have just launched their book – *The Power of Focus for College Students* – which teaches students how to make their post-secondary education the best investment of their lives. It's a message that has attracted the attention of New York billionaire Donald Trump.

"Believing it was possible and networking were the keys to getting the book in front of Mr. Trump," says Hewitt. Hewitt and d'Abadie first tried to connect with Trump through past Apprentice participants including Bill Rancic, Trump's first apprentice. However, it was a connection they had with a marketing company in Phoenix, AZ, that ultimately led them to Trump.

"A few months after beginning to visualize that Mr. Trump would write the foreword to our book, we discovered that a company we had connected with at an undergraduate business plan competition had just landed the contract to do all the branding and product development for a new university that Mr. Trump started called Trump University. Before we knew it, we were in New York pitching our

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idea to the president of Trump University. He really believed in our message and passed along our manuscript to Mr. Trump," says Hewitt.

In the summer of 2005, Hewitt and d'Abadie spent 11 weeks in New York City putting the final touches on their book and testing its principles among 160 students enrolled in a program called University of Dreams. Two weeks before their book was due for submission, they received a very important phone call.

"We got a call from Mr. Trump's assistant. She said, 'Congratulations, this is a wonderful book, and we would love to endorse it. The foreword is in the works, and you'll have it in a week.'" Less than a week later, Hewitt and d'Abadie were in Trump Tower meeting with Trump.

"*The Power of Focus for College Students* teaches students a new approach to post-secondary education – the experience-focused mindset – which consists of maximizing the uni-

versity experience by taking part in international exchanges, internships and co-op placements, extra-curricular activities and innovative courses and programs," explains Hewitt. "The book also helps students discover the careers they will truly be passionate about and equips them with timeless success principles like how to build excellent relationships, set goals, become financially free and break through procrastination and fear."

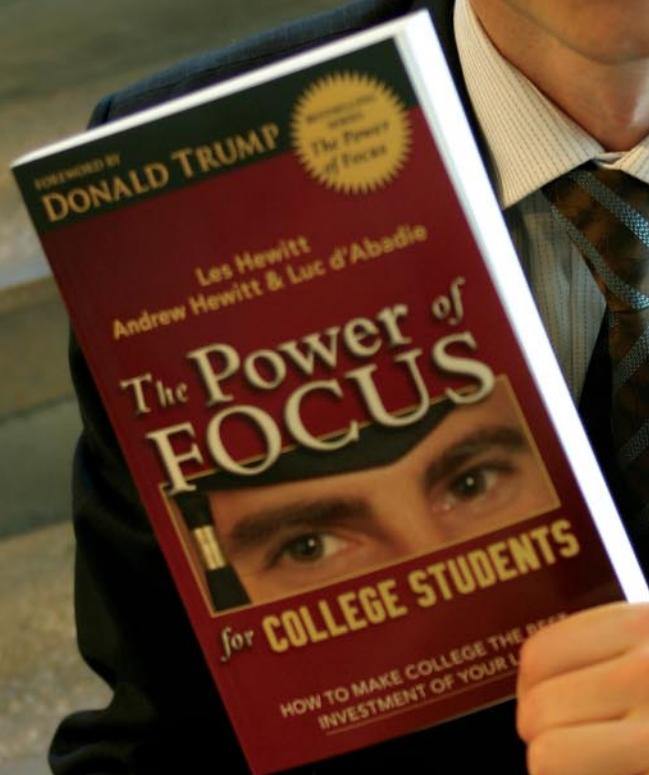
Hewitt discovered the experience-focused mindset after attending a student business conference where he met goal-oriented students who were engaged in the university experience and corporate recruiters who were very interested in hiring them.

"I realized that the ideal university experience involved more than just maintaining a perfect GPA," says Hewitt. "It's about meeting people, learning about yourself, taking risks, finding out what you're passionate about and learning life skills that will help you after you graduate."

This new mindset not only changed Hewitt's own university experience – he participated in three international exchanges, served as the president of the Management Students' Society, took part in numerous conferences, business competitions and volunteer activities, and received many prestigious scholarships and awards – but was also the inspiration that set him on his path to his future.

On November 1, 2005, 25,000 copies of *The Power of Focus for College Students* hit bookstores across North America. It is the fourth book in the international bestselling *Power of Focus* book series, which was created by Hewitt's father and mentor, Les Hewitt, and the co-creators of *Chicken Soup for the Soul*, Jack Canfield and Mark Victor Hansen.

Hewitt and d'Abadie will spend the spring marketing their book and speaking at high schools and universities throughout North America. They have also been chosen to create educational products for Trump University. For more information on the *Power of Focus for College Students*, visit www.focusedstudent.com.



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A Royal



Success

On May 25, 2005, the world watched as Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh arrived in Calgary – the final stop on their 2005 Royal Visit to Canada. The Royal Couple’s five-hour stay in Calgary was orchestrated with perfection and was the culmination of thousands of hours of planning and preparation by hundreds of peo-

ple, including U of L alumna **Lorna Wallace (BMgt ’01)**, who was the project manager for the Royal Visit Calgary. “The Queen’s visit was an opportunity of a lifetime,” says Wallace, who has now returned to her role as the executive assistant to the city manager for The City of Calgary. Wallace was brought into the project during the last 100 days of planning to oversee the event. “My job was to bring together all of the outside agencies and The City of Calgary’s business units to make sure they understood what needed to be done and ensure they had the appropriate resources in order to deliver a world-class event,” says Wallace. Wallace explains there is no detail too small when planning something as significant as a Royal Visit. “It was very important that we didn’t have a breach of protocol. The experts in our protocol area were very well prepared, and together we produced detailed movement maps, scripts, narratives and seating plans. We had to consider everything from working with the City’s Customer Service & Communications staff on tickets,

advertising and press releases to working with the Calgary Fire Department and Traffic Engineering to prepare Scotman’s Hill for a safe 21-gun salute that wouldn’t cause a fire or injure anyone,” explains Wallace. “We also needed to work with an extensive range of outside agencies such as the producers of the entertainment pageant, Buckingham Palace, Pengrowth Saddledome and the Calgary Flames, Calgary Exhibition & Stampede, the Museum of the Regiments, Alberta Protocol, Canadian Heritage, the RCMP and the Canadian Forces to name but a few.” The Royal Visit Calgary received accolades from Alberta to London and beyond. According to Wallace, the key to an event of such majestic magnitude is teamwork. “The City of Calgary really pulled together and worked as a team,” says Wallace. “It was a lot of hard work, a lot of fun and a very rewarding experience.” Wallace has had her share of rewarding experiences during her 17 years with The City of Calgary. “I’ve had the opportunity to have many careers within the span of my time with The City. That’s one of the great things about working in public service, especially for a municipality,” says Wallace. “I have enjoyed being able to help people, fix problems and see things come to a positive conclusion.” Her career with The City includes working in business licensing, web business and most recently, in bylaw development. One of the most challenging and rewarding projects is the successful implementation of Calgary’s smoking bylaw. Now as the executive assistant to the city manager, she supports the city manager in his role of overseeing The City’s more than 14,000 employees and 28 business units; manages undertakings in the City Manager’s Office including input into the new three-year budget and business plans; works with city council; along with a long list of other projects and responsibilities. “Thank goodness for the BlackBerry,” she jokes. Despite her busy schedule and jam-packed days Wallace maintains, “It’s all about building and maintaining relationships. I’ve had the good fortune to work with many outstanding people.” Wallace completed her degree at the U of L’s Calgary campus at night while she worked during the day. The yellow ropes of great distinction hanging with her parchment in her office demonstrate her drive, determination and Type A personality. Wallace also maintains an active lifestyle. When she’s not working, she enjoys sports, reading, working on home improvement projects and travelling with her greatest accomplishment to date – her 17-year-old daughter Jennifer, who is looking forward to perhaps going to the U of L next year.

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ple, including U of L alumna **Lorna Wallace (BMgt ’01)**, who was the project manager for the Royal Visit Calgary.

“The Queen’s visit was an opportunity of a lifetime,” says Wallace, who has now returned to her role as the executive assistant to the city manager for The City of Calgary. Wallace was brought into the project during the last 100 days of planning to oversee the event.

“My job was to bring together all of the outside agencies and The City of Calgary’s business units to make sure they understood what needed to be done and ensure they had the appropriate resources in order to deliver a world-class event,” says Wallace.

Wallace explains there is no detail too small when planning something as significant as a Royal Visit. “It was very important that we didn’t have a breach of protocol. The experts in our protocol area were very well prepared, and together we produced detailed movement maps, scripts, narratives and seating plans. We had to consider everything from working with the City’s Customer Service & Communications staff on tickets,

Palace, Pengrowth Saddledome and the Calgary Flames, Calgary Exhibition & Stampede, the Museum of the Regiments, Alberta Protocol, Canadian Heritage, the RCMP and the Canadian Forces to name but a few.”

The Royal Visit Calgary received accolades from Alberta to London and beyond. According to Wallace, the key to an event of such majestic magnitude is teamwork. “The City of Calgary really pulled together and worked as a team,” says Wallace. “It was a lot of hard work, a lot of fun and a very rewarding experience.”

Wallace has had her share of rewarding experiences during her 17 years with The City of Calgary. “I’ve had the opportunity to have many careers within the span of my time with The City. That’s one of the great things about working in public service, especially for a municipality,” says Wallace. “I have enjoyed being able to help people, fix problems and see things come to a positive conclusion.”

Her career with The City includes working in business licensing, web business and most recently, in bylaw development. One of the most challenging and rewarding projects is

council; along with a long list of other projects and responsibilities.

“Thank goodness for the BlackBerry,” she jokes.

Despite her busy schedule and jam-packed days Wallace maintains, “It’s all about building and maintaining relationships. I’ve had the good fortune to work with many outstanding people.”

Wallace completed her degree at the U of L’s Calgary campus at night while she worked during the day. The yellow ropes of great distinction hanging with her parchment in her office demonstrate her drive, determination and Type A personality.

Wallace also maintains an active lifestyle. When she’s not working, she enjoys sports, reading, working on home improvement projects and travelling with her greatest accomplishment to date – her 17-year-old daughter Jennifer, who is looking forward to perhaps going to the U of L next year.



Queen Elizabeth II waves goodbye to Calgarians in the Saddledome. Photo courtesy of The City of Calgary

ALMA MATTERS

News and notes from your classmates

70s

Trevor Bennett BAsC (BA) '71, BEd '73
"My thesis, The Origin of the Music Used in Alberta Masonic Lodges, was accepted by Thames Valley University, United Kingdom for the diploma of associate of the London College of Music (ALCM) in March 2005."

Terry Toivanen BEd '72
Toivanen entered early retirement from school administration seven years ago.

Raymond Hartman BAsC (BSc) '75
"Greetings from Arkansas! We've set up a ranch here and just love it. I was glad to see in the last Journal that Dr. Connolly was still actively teaching. I remember him well."

Albert Calman BAsC (BSc) '77
"After graduating from the U of L, I attended the University of Alberta and completed a master of science degree in plant pathology. My MSc research dealt with a fungus disease of canola seedlings. I did extensive travelling throughout Alberta, including the Lethbridge area, collecting canola seedling samples. Lately, I have been considering a very large move to Israel. Israel has extensive agricultural production and research, which is very exciting to me. I would be happy to hear from any of my fellow university classmates. aicalman@yahoo.ca."

80s

Dale Anne Wagner BN '82
"I have been working as a nursing instructor at Thompson Rivers University (formerly named University College of the Cariboo) since 1990. I often think of my time at the U of L and wonder what my classmates are doing. I was in the first cohort of U of L BN graduates and went on to complete a master of science degree in 1997."

Todd Takeyasu BMgt '83
Takeyasu is the Vice President of finance at Penn West Petroleum. He has been with Penn West since 1994 in roles of increasing responsibility, most recently as treasurer.

Harumi (Nakamura) Brown Diploma in Education '85
"I am an alumna of the U of L, having received my professional diploma in education (early childhood) in 1985. I reside in White Rock, BC, and continue to teach ESL to kindergarten students. Retirement from classroom teaching is just around the corner. I am planning to take the big step next year."

Barbara (Csabay) Mantello BAsC (BA) '86
"I have been teaching at the Lethbridge Community College in the Criminal Justice program for the past eight years. I finished a master's degree from Gonzaga University in 2003. My thesis was Gender Issues in Corrections, which looked at the work experience of female correctional officers. I have two children, Matt (11) and Gabe (9)."

Barry (Terry) Nishida BAsC (BA) '86
"I have conformed to society's values by getting married, having children (a boy and a girl) and holding a job. I have been living on Vancouver Island, BC, since 1996 and am working for the Government of Canada and under contract to the City of Campbell River, BC."

**Ronald (Rusty) Brown BFA '87
Lesley Brown BAsC (BSc) '84**
"I work as the education coordinator at the Thunder Bay Art Gallery. My wife, Lesley, is an associate professor in the School of Outdoor Recreation, Parks and Tourism at Lakehead University."

Charles Evans BAsC '87
"I obtained my master's degree in social work from the University of Alabama in 1995. Since 1989, I have worked with Alabama's Public Child Welfare Agency. Currently, I supervise social workers who

work with abused and neglected children and their families."

Shaun Mellen BAsC (BA) '87
"After graduation, I attended the University of Alberta and received a law degree in 1992. I currently work as counsel, aboriginal law service for the Federal Department of Justice in Edmonton, AB. My wife, Margaret, and I have six children and enjoy an active and sometimes hectic life."

Scott B. Morrison BEd '89
Morrison received the Alberta 2005 Excellence in Teaching award. He teaches at Holy Trinity Academy in Okotoks, AB.

David Schellenberg BEd '89
"Since graduating from the U of L in 1989, I have been teaching at La Crete Public School. Heather, my oldest daughter, has just started attending the U of L and is pursuing a bachelor of fine arts degree in new media."

90s

Scott R. Robinson BFA '91
Robinson was recently promoted to professor of theatre and elected Chair of his department at Central Washington University (CWU), Ellensburg, WA. He has been designing and teaching at CWU since 2001.

Randy Dreger BA '93
"I completed a Master of Science degree from the University of Alberta in 1998. Currently, I am completing a PhD in exercise and work physiology from the U of A, while working full time at the Northern Alberta Institute for Technology as a personal fitness trainer/instructor in the School of Health Sciences."

Herbert (William) Ang BMgt '94
"Greetings from sunny Singapore! In 2004, I officially changed my name from William Ang to Herbert Ang. I am currently working for BOSCH. I miss my student life in Canada very much! Thank

you, Lethbridge, for all the wonderful memories!"

Cheryl (Naundorf) Arseneau BA '94
"I got married on September 18, 2004. Currently, I am working for the Department of Restructuring and Government Efficiency, Government of Alberta as a manager of business planning."

Dana Cook BFA '94
Cook is the costume designer for all Adventure Theatre productions at the StoryBook Theatre in Calgary, AB. Cook also manages the costume storage and costume renting for the theatre.

Nicola (Mahan) DeCario BA/BEEd '94
"I met my husband, Steve, in Vancouver, BC, while completing a master of education degree at the University of British Columbia in September 1994. We got married on June 10, 1995. In September 1995, I began a job as a vision resource teacher, orientation and mobility specialist and high school integration support teacher with Coast Mountain School District No. 82 in Terrace, BC. We have two children, Josh (7) and Emma (4)."

Wendy (Hanson) Hoffman BFA '94
Hoffman is teaching at San Juan College in Farmington, NM, as an adjunct faculty member. She is also operating a home-based art business called Wildflower Tech Creations LLC.

Karl Terry BA '95
"After graduation, I spent four years in Japan teaching ESL. I then embarked on my new career with WestJet. I hope to see some of you as my guests in the future! I am enjoying my career and new home in Airdrie, AB. I would love to get in touch with any former pals from my U of L days!"

Tara Orser BA/BEEd '96
Orser is working for Lethbridge School District 51 at Wilson Middle School as a physical education teacher for Grades 6 to 8.

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News for Alma Matters (Please use additional paper if space provided is insufficient.)

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ALMA MATTERS

News and notes from your classmates

Keri Gardner BAsc '97

"It's been a while since I attended the University of Lethbridge. Shortly after graduation I moved to Calgary. In 1999, I received a master of anthropology degree, and I got married! I have since gone back to school and received a bachelor of social work degree in 2003 and a master of social work degree (gerontology) in 2004. I am now working as a social worker at Carewest in Calgary. Time flies when you're having fun!"

Lily Visser BFA '97

Visser has recently completed a master's degree in design at the University of Calgary and is now teaching at an arts college in China.

Beverly (Cousins) Fleischman BMgt '98

"I have been living in the beautiful city of Denver, CO, for the past year and working at a large oil and gas company as a geoscience technician – quite a change from my marketing endeavours! However, I have always loved geology and spent many days wandering along the Oldman River hunting for fossils and studying rocks. It is great to be able to make a career out of one of my favourite pastimes. My kind regards to the U of L management class and faculty of 1998 and a special hello to my family and friends back in Lethbridge."

Catharine (Spies) Gimbel BSc '98

"I just wanted to let all the readers from my graduating year (chemistry) know that I had a baby in December 2004. A beautiful boy named Jacob. My husband and I are so happy."

Lawrence Hunter BA '98

Hunter is a teacher and administrator for the Woodside Program at the LY Cairns School in Edmonton, AB. On December 1, 2002, he was awarded the Commander-in-Chief Unit Commendation in Winnipeg, MB. The award was presented by the former Governor General Adrienne Clarkson for Hunter's service with the 2nd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (2 PPCLI) Medak Pocket Operation in the former Yugoslavia in September 1993. In December 15, 2002, Hunter was also awarded the Canadian Peacekeeping Service Medal.

Stephanie Cardinal BA '99

"I have been teaching in central Alberta since 2001 and spent last year teaching in Japan. I am now living in Red Deer, AB, and teaching elementary students in the Red Deer Catholic School District."

Trevor Clark BMgt '99

"After getting married in 2004, I went back to school. I have just completed a master's degree in international conflict analysis at the Brussels School of International Studies. I am now working for Oxfam International as an economic and trade advisor in Vietnam. I am also the managing editor for an international studies journal."

Roxanne Cote BMgt '99

"I am currently living and working in sales at an international resort in Cabo

San Lucas, Baja of California. It is an incredible opportunity to not only gain some international experience, but it is a great way to see the world and challenge your language and employment skills. Any of my ex-classmates that have lost contact with me can contact me at rjcote@hotmail.com."

Jason Flatla BSc '99

Karri (Blow) Flatla BMgt '01

Jason Flatla is the owner and general manager of Landmark Environmental Ltd. He resides in Lethbridge with his wife, Karri, who is the principal of a small business consulting firm called Snap! Virtual Assistance Inc.

Penny Pickles BAsc '99

Pickles received her certified project manager (PMP) designation. She successfully completed her project management institute (PMI) exam on September 23, 2005. Pickles currently works in research services at the U of L.

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Kimberly (Ferrel) Skjei BMgt '00

Skjei has a son named Aiden, who was born on December 1, 2003.

Robert Brown BA '01

Brown was honoured as the 2005 Citizen of the Year by the Brooks Chamber of Commerce. Brown moved to Brooks, AB, in August 2001 to accept a job with the local newspaper and became actively involved with the community from the start. He has been involved with such groups as the Brooks minor hockey team, the local food bank, the Tumbleweed Theatre and the Brooks Fire Department.

Marlo Deydey BA/BEEd '01

"I am teaching Grade 1 at The Fernie Academy. I am also heading up the art department for the school and somehow finding time to pursue my own artwork."

Erik Hawkins BMgt '01

"I have been working at Enterprise Rent-a-Car for the past four and a half years since graduating from the U of L. I really enjoy my career and have had the opportunity to work with many great people. I am an avid hockey fan and following this tends to keep my time occupied. I hope the Horns make the playoffs this year."

Amanda (Carson) Jensen BMgt '01

Jensen is the owner of an event planning company in Lethbridge called "In Any Event".

Neal Fahselt BMgt '02

Fahselt is the business development manager for Able Automation in Leduc, AB.

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IN MEMORIAM

Alexander Close

passed away on April 18, 2005. Close was an employee of the information and technology department at the University of Lethbridge.

Dr. William Sibley LLD '00

passed away on April 19, 2005. Sibley was a respected academic administrator and scholar known throughout Canada for his contributions and expertise on topics relating to university planning and governance. He was also instrumental in the successful repositioning of the University of Lethbridge in the late 1980s.

In 1987, he joined the University of Lethbridge for a one-year term as vice-president (academic). He subsequently served as a special advisor to the president at the University of Lethbridge for eight years. During his time at the University, Sibley was a remarkable resource. He authored several major planning studies that resulted in the Government of Alberta increasing base funding for the University of Lethbridge. He also served two terms on the executive of Alberta's Universities Coordinating Council.

Dr. Andrew (Andy) Russell LLD '77

passed away on June 1, 2005, at the age of 89. Russell, a University of Lethbridge Honorary Degree recipient, was a multi-talented author, conservationist, photographer and naturalist.

Winstan Jones

passed away on June 12, 2005. Jones was one of the University of Lethbridge's founding employees and a University Library staff member who retired from the University in 1996. He continued to work part time until 2000 as the university archivist.

Wayne Wells BMgt '93

passed away on June 15, 2005.

Ian K. Johnson BMgt '02

passed away on June 20, 2005.

Sheila LeMoine BMgt/BEEd '00

passed away on July 30, 2005.

Jolayne (Tailfeathers) Shade BA '94

passed away on October 5, 2005. Shade was employed by Kainai Wellness Centre as a mental health professional until her passing. One of the exciting highlights in Shade's life was when she and her husband, David (BSc '94), both convoked on the same day from the U of L.

George Fen BAsc (BA) '70

passed away on October 10, 2005.

ALUMNI AUTHORS

Rags



(Front l-r): Gillian Watkinson (BAsc '86), Lesley Little (Multimedia Certificate '01) (Back l-r): Sheila Braund (BA '94), Paul Gerhart (BEEd '83), Rebecca Holand (BEEd '83), Jennifer Schmidt-Rempel (BA '93) Missing: Lloyd Flaig (BEEd '82), Lori Lavalley and Dr. Martin Oordt

Under the tutelage of professor emeritus, Dr. Martin Oordt, a group of alumni and local writers formed the Mudlark Writers Collective. When their first magazine debuted in the fall of 2000, it was aptly named Rags. The original cover was made out of handmade paper that was created from rejection notices and scraps of denim. This fall the Mudlarks published their sixth volume.

Outside of Ordinary: Women's Travel Stories

Jody Wood BA '95

Transformation. Courage. Love. Family. Hope. The stories in Outside of Ordinary show that these are not always found in familiar or planned-for locals. Written by Canadian authors, including U of L alumna Jody Wood, the 32 real-life tales in Outside of Ordinary explore both physical and emotional journeys, ensuring that going home will never be the same again.



The Singapore Bag

Joanne Zaborowski BAsc (BSc) '82

Zaborowski, who resides in Edmonton, has self published a fiction book called The Singapore Bag. A small trilogy, the book is written in three voices: The Singapore Bag (a female voice), The Singapore Map (a male voice) and The Singapore Glove (narrated by an inanimate object).



TOP 40 UNDER 40

Marc Henry BA '92

Henry, the chief of staff for Calgary Mayor Dave Bronconnier, was honoured as one of Calgary's Top 40 Under 40 by CalgaryInc Magazine in September 2005.

ALMA MATTERS

News and notes from your classmates

Reginald Sawilla BSc '02

"I finished a master of science degree at the University of Calgary. My family and I then moved to Ottawa in July so I could start an exciting new job as a defence scientist, researching computer networks. I started at Defence Research and Development Canada (DRDC) in Ottawa on September 1, 2005. DRDC is a civilian research agency of the Department of National Defence."

Marvin Tang BMgt '02

"I recently resigned from Ernst & Young as a senior staff accountant in their assurance department. I will be moving to Caribou Resources Corp. as their manager of financial reporting. This public company is involved with exploration of oil and gas in the Alberta area. This move represents my first foray into this industry, and I am truly excited about the upcoming challenges. Once again, I thank the U of L for the experiences and contacts gained during my post-secondary education."

Eamonn Lynch MSc '04

Lynch accepted a joint academic position at the University of New Brunswick (Fredericton) and Renaissance College.

Roshanne Sarty BMgt '04

"I recently received my Certified Human Resources Professionals (CHRP) designation!"

Nick Sullivan BMus '04

Sullivan is studying towards a master of music degree from the University of Victoria. Currently he is working with renowned tubist Eugene Dowling and trombonist Ian McDougall.

Brelin Barrass BMus '05

Barrass received a full fellowship to the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Chamber Music Institute for composition. This past summer she worked with the internationally acclaimed Corigliano String Quartet.

Jason Brackman BFA '05

Brackman is working at an electronic entertainment software company called Relic Entertainment in Vancouver, BC. He also completed his internship there.

Benjamin Clark BSc '05

Clark is enrolled in the PhD psychology program at Dartmouth College in Hanover, NH.

Matthew Fuller BMgt '05

"After finishing school in December, I started working at PricewaterhouseCoopers in Calgary. I have been working in their audit and assurance group completing year-end audits, quarterly reviews and the like. I began the Chartered Accountants School of Business program in May and hope to obtain my designation in September 2007."

Lee Haines BMgt '05

"I just got back to Canada after finishing a full year studying at the Hogeschool van Utrecht located in Utrecht, The Netherlands. The first semester involved the completion of my international management degree with the U of L and the second semester awarded me a dual degree in international logistics. I have been accepted to teach English with a company in Yamaguchi City, Japan, beginning January 12, 2006. I am now preparing for my venture and will be there for at least a year."

Taylor Matheson BMus '05

Matheson was a soloist for the Sing Along Messiah concert in Calgary in December 2004. She placed second in the Lethbridge Symphony Young Artist Competition in March 2005.

Justin McKinnon BMgt '05

"After graduation, I continued my job as the assistant golf professional at the River Ridge Golf and Country Club in Edmonton. I am now working for Micron Filtration Inc. and will be heading up north to take over the Grande Prairie North territory as an account manager for the company."

Jay William Merchant BA '05

Merchant is employed as the 2005/2006 municipal intern for Red Deer County.

Josh Mifflin BFA '05

Mifflin is working at an electronic entertainment software company called Relic Entertainment in Vancouver, BC. He also completed his internship there.

Shane Todd BMgt '05

"After graduation, I worked for ATB Financial at their corporate head office in Edmonton in the compensation and benefits field of their human resources department. I left ATB Financial in August and moved to Kingston, ON, to attend Queen's University. I am studying for my bachelor of laws degree with an expected graduation date of 2008."

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FROM THE
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*Class of '68:
The U of L's
First Convocation*



(Back row l-r): John Kovacs, Don Vanden Berg, Allan Domeier, Ronald Lippa, Roger Fontana, Darrel McKenzie, Donald Matisz, John Pearson, David McVean, Leonard Storlien and James Campbell (Front row l-r): Esther Lambert, Gaye Wooldridge, Mary Nakagama, Sharon Day, Heiderose Wiehler, Peggy Matthews, Mavis Gillott, Isobel Todd, Dorothy Dunn and Lynne Nelson

Thirty-seven years after receiving her first degree from the University of Lethbridge, **Mavis (Gillott) Stannard (BASc '68, BEd '96)** watched her son, **Tony Stannard (BSc '05)**, follow in her footsteps and receive his degree at the U of L's spring 2005 Convocation.

"It was thrilling to watch Tony walk across the stage to receive his baccalaureate degree from the U of L," says Mavis. "I'm very proud of my son's accomplishments."

Mavis was one of 32 graduates at the U of L's first Convocation in 1968. This Convocation marked numerous milestones in the institution's history. The U of L's first president, Dr. William Alvah Samuel (Sam) Smith (LLD '90), and first chancellor, Judge Louis Sherman Turcotte (LLD '72), were both installed. Following the Convocation ceremony, more than 500 students, graduates, faculty and community members rallied in a parade to support the U of L in its autonomous right to locate the campus on the west side of Lethbridge.



Tony Stannard (BSc '05) and Mavis Stannard (BASc '68, BEd '96) at the spring 2005 Convocation, Ceremony V, on June 3, 2005. The Class of 2005 is the largest graduating class in the U of L's history with 1,363 degrees awarded over five ceremonies.

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