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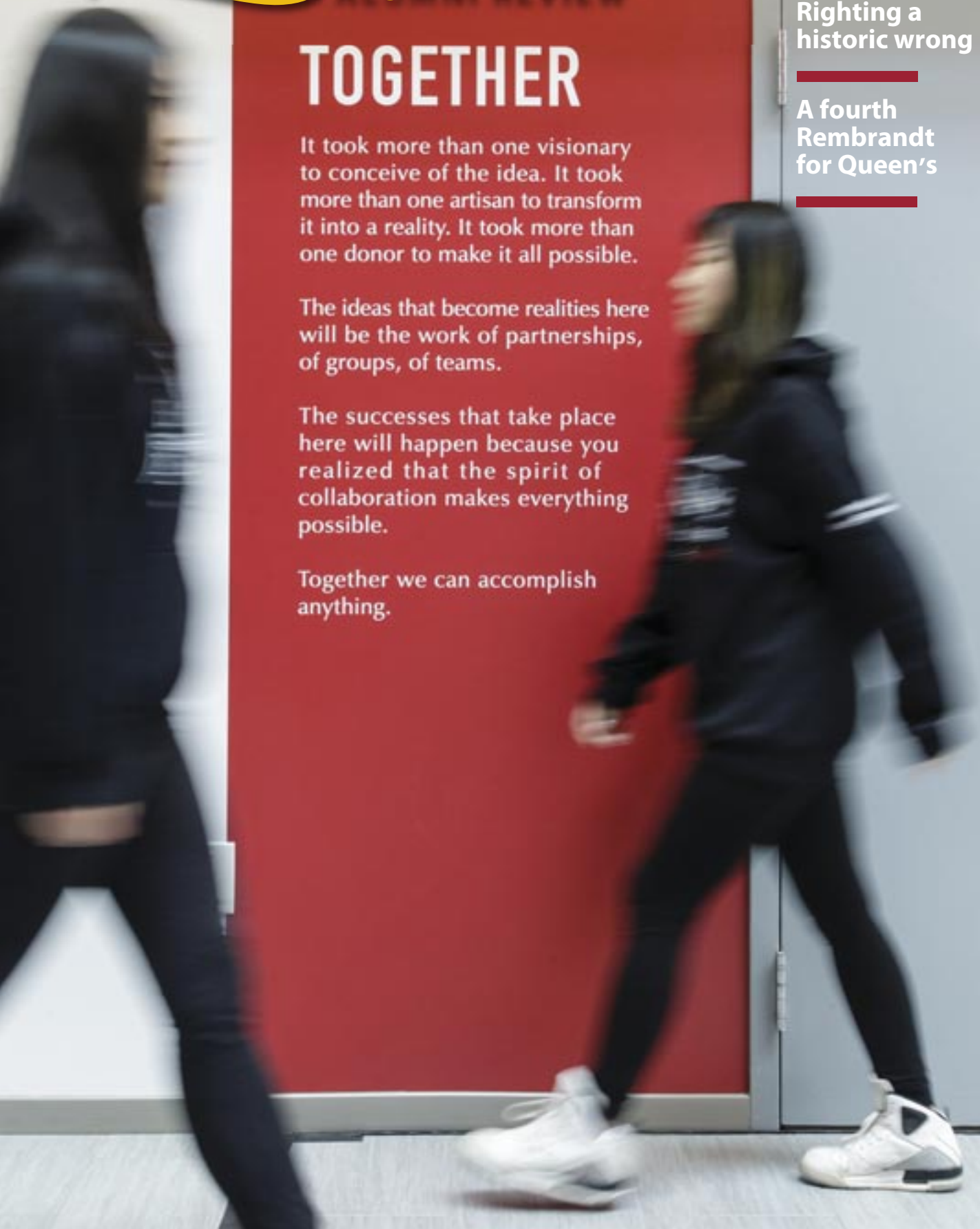
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It's survey time

Every few years, we ask our readers for their advice about this magazine through a survey. The *Queen's Alumni Review* readership survey helps us measure the effectiveness of the magazine as a communications tool and gauge the impact of magazine improvements over time. It also provides you with the opportunity to give me information on what you read – and don't read – in the magazine; whether you find the *Review* credible and well-designed; what kinds of stories you think are missing; and how you prefer to receive information about *Queen's*.

I will be sending out our 2019 readership survey by email on **June 10**. Reminder emails will go out on June 20 and 27, as the greater the number of responses we get, the more accurate our results will be. But don't worry: I won't bombard you with emails. If you complete the survey in the first 10 days, or if you opt out from receiving further emails from the magazine, you won't get any new notifications.

The last time we did a readership survey was in 2015. And we've improved a few things this time around. We have fewer open-ended questions and have eliminated superfluous questions. The entire survey should take you about 15 minutes. You can complete the survey on your phone or computer. And as an added incentive, we'll draw one email address from all of the completed survey responses to receive a fabulous Kingston get-away package for two, courtesy of Visit Kingston and Delta Hotels by Marriott Kingston Waterfront.

If you *don't* get the survey email on June 10, it may be because we don't have a current email address for you or because you have previously opted out of receiving surveys. (Or the email could have been relegated to your "clutter" folder.) Not to worry: if you want to participate, just email me directly at review@queensu.ca during the month of June, and I'll send you your link to the survey.

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My last column

BY PRINCIPAL DANIEL WOOLF

Anyone who had the pleasure of attending the recent opening of our newest building, Mitchell Hall, on March 30, will have seen and heard one word that described the success of this project. The word is “together,” and it’s the theme for this issue. With the help of our generous donors, two levels of government, and extraordinary collaboration of various sectors of the Queen’s community, a highly complex conversion of our 90-year-old Phys Ed Centre has been completed, a fantastic melding of research, innovation, athletics, and student wellness. So “together” is a great word, and it’s included on the building’s donor wall.

I believe “together” is also a remarkably accurate word to describe the Queen’s family, both on-campus and off, past, present, and future. Over my decade as principal and vice-chancellor, the university has faced many challenges and some difficult conversations. Being a university, there are invariably multiple views on most topics, and sometimes strong disagreements. But I’ve never doubted for a moment that anyone who intervened on any topic (even when I respectfully disagreed with them) had the best interest of the university in mind. We often use terms like “community” in conjunction with universities, and in reality they are more like cities with centres, suburbs, visitors and permanent residents, always dwelling somewhere inside real cities. But despite Queen’s complicated, sometimes Byzantine organization – shared with every other university I’ve worked at – I think we have transcended local or individual interests many times over the last ten years to achieve great things. I won’t rehearse the full list of achievements here, but apart from Mitchell Hall and other building projects, I can point to our success in addressing mental health issues, to our significant progress on issues of inclusion and diversity, to our work toward reforming an unsustainable pension plan, to our incredible fundraising success, and to improved relationships with our local community and government partners.

This is my last column as principal, and the next time you receive an *Alumni Review*, the author of this page will be our 21st principal, Patrick Deane. I know I am leaving the leadership of the institution in excellent hands. As to my plans: I will be taking two years of administrative leave to recharge my batteries, to re-engage with my research and writing projects on a more full-time basis, and eventually to develop some courses to teach in the Department of History, to which I will



BERNARD CLARK

return enthusiastically in July 2021 for a few years prior to full retirement. I’m excited about the prospect of wrapping up my career at my alma mater, and in the department and faculty that gave me so much, and prepared me so well, as an undergraduate four decades ago.

My wife, Julie (herself my unwavering partner on this journey) and I have a great many thanks to convey. They are too numerous to list in entirety, but I would like specifically to thank our donors who routinely made the imaginable real. And I thank you, my fellow alumni, for your consistent devotion to our university, and to “paying it forward,” as generations of previous alumni, now passed, have done since the 19th century. You’ve been respecters and guardians of tradition, but also understood that the world evolves and that Queen’s must evolve with it.

Great things have been achieved, indeed. But in my view, the best is yet to come. I can’t wait to see how things will evolve over the next decade.

Cha ghèill!

Righting a historic wrong

A century after banning admission of Black students to its medical school, Queen's has extended a formal letter of apology acknowledging the institution's past racist actions and repeated failures to hold itself accountable. On April 16, Principal Woolf and Dean of Health Sciences Richard Reznick signed the letter and expressed profound regret on behalf of the institution for injustices enacted upon its Black medical students, alumni, and prospective applicants.

The formal apology issued by Principal Woolf and Dean Reznick says, in part, "In reckoning with our institutional history, we are committed to acknowledging our failures and to learning from our mistakes. It is our sincere desire to confront this past, learn from it, and never again repeat it."

In 1918, Queen's Senate voted to support a motion prohibiting students of African descent from attending its medical school, at the request of the Faculty of Medicine – a ban that was enforced until 1965. According to recent research by Edward Thomas, a PhD candidate in Cultural Studies, the ban was put in place to demonstrate alignment with discriminatory policies favoured at the time by the Ameri-

can Medical Association, the organization that ranked medical schools in North America.

In 2018, once Mr. Thomas presented his research findings to the current Queen's Senate and brought to light the motion's continued existence, the university formally rescinded the resolution that enabled the ban.

"As an institution, we can never undo the harm that we caused to generations of Black students, and we have to accept that our actions contributed to the inequities in the medical profession that still exist today," wrote Dr. Reznick on his blog. "I hope, though, that our actions will continue to move the School of Medicine in the direction of greater inclusivity, diversity, and equity."

The apology marked the first in a series of steps identified by a commission of Queen's faculty, students, and staff formed by Dean Reznick to address the historic injustice. Family members of individuals affected by the ban will receive letters of apology, and the School of Medicine will soon house an exhibit addressing the ban and its impacts. Course curricula will place greater focus on diversity, equity, and inclusivity, and a symposium

examining the past, present, and future of the Black medical student experience is being organized.

In March, the School of Medicine established a mentorship program, through which Black faculty members have volunteered to serve as mentors to Black medical students as they progress through clerkship, residency, and into the medical profession. The school has also created an admissions award for Black Canadian students entering into the first year of undergraduate medical education. Recipients will be awarded up to \$10,000, based on academic achievement and demonstrated financial need.

"The Faculty of Health Sciences has shown great leadership in righting this historical wrong, and I look forward to seeing the implementation of its new programs to support Black student success and diversity in the medical profession," says Stephanie Simpson, Associate Vice-Principal (Human Rights, Equity, and Inclusion). "We owe much to the staff, faculty, students, and alumni who work tirelessly to ensure that this campus is a place where everyone feels welcomed, valued, and respected, and able to participate without discrimination."

■ **Dave Rideout**

Read more on Dean Reznick's blog: healthsci.queensu.ca/blog.

IN MEMORIAM

Erwin Buncel, Professor Emeritus (Chemistry), died Dec. 19.

Peter Harry Jellinck, Professor Emeritus (Biochemistry), died Feb. 20.

Ralph Allen, Distinguished University Professor (Fine Art), and former director, Agnes Etherington Art Centre, died March 26.

Gerald Wyatt, Professor Emeritus (Biology), died March 28.

Bob Crandall, BCom'51, Professor Emeritus (Business), died April 4.

Mabel Corlett, BSc'60, Professor Emeritus (Geology), died April 14.

Obituaries are posted in the online *Review* as they are received. If you have memories of these professors you'd like to share, please email us: review@queensu.ca.

A fourth Rembrandt for Queen's

Linda and Daniel Bader have donated Rembrandt's *Head of an Old Man with Curly Hair* to the Agnes Etherington Art Centre in honour of Daniel's late father, Alfred Bader (BSc'45, BA'46, MSc'47, LLD'86). Dr. Bader died Dec. 23, 2018.

"*Head of an Old Man with Curly Hair* was one of my father's favourite paintings," says Daniel Bader. "It hung in his living room, where he spent hours admiring it, until he gave it to me in 2001. My wife Linda and I are proud to present this beautiful painting to Queen's in my father's honour."

The Agnes now holds four of the seven authenticated paintings by Rembrandt in public Canadian collections. *Head of an Old Man with Curly Hair* is a beautiful example of the artist's ability to render the expressiveness of the human face. It is signed and dated 1659, one year after the date of the Agnes's *Portrait of a Man with Arms Akimbo*, donated by Alfred and Isabel Bader in 2015. That

large-scale portrait and this smaller character study exemplify the master's painterly range in terms of brushstroke, palette, and composition in his late career.

The painting was unveiled at the Agnes on May 3, during its season launch, and remains on view in The Bader Gallery.

Dr Jacquelyn N. Coutré, Bader Curator and Researcher of European Art at Agnes, reflected on the impact of this generous gift saying, "This donation by Linda and Daniel Bader is an extraordinary gesture. Not only is the work an exquisite rendering of old age and light that complements the three Rembrandt paintings in The Bader Collection, but its presentation to the Agnes honours Alfred's memory in a tremendously appropriate manner."

The Bader Collection comprises more than 200 paintings spanning the 16th, 17th, and 18th centuries, with a focus on Dutch and Flemish paintings of the Baroque era.



AGNES ETHERINGTON ART CENTRE

"This painting extends the impact of The Bader Collection at Queen's in powerful ways," says Jan Allen, director of the Agnes. "Thanks to the generosity and thoughtfulness of Linda and Daniel Bader, this outstanding painting will be available for present and future generations." ■

The August issue of the *Review* will feature a longer story about the painting.



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NICHOLAS WANG

Rhinoceros in Love 恋爱的犀牛

Last year, a group of international students came together to explore their shared love of contemporary Chinese theatre. The idea grew, and the Yu Theatre Society was formed. Its aim is to put on theatre productions, include Chinese-speaking students from different faculties and disciplines, and find ways to include non-Chinese-speaking audiences.



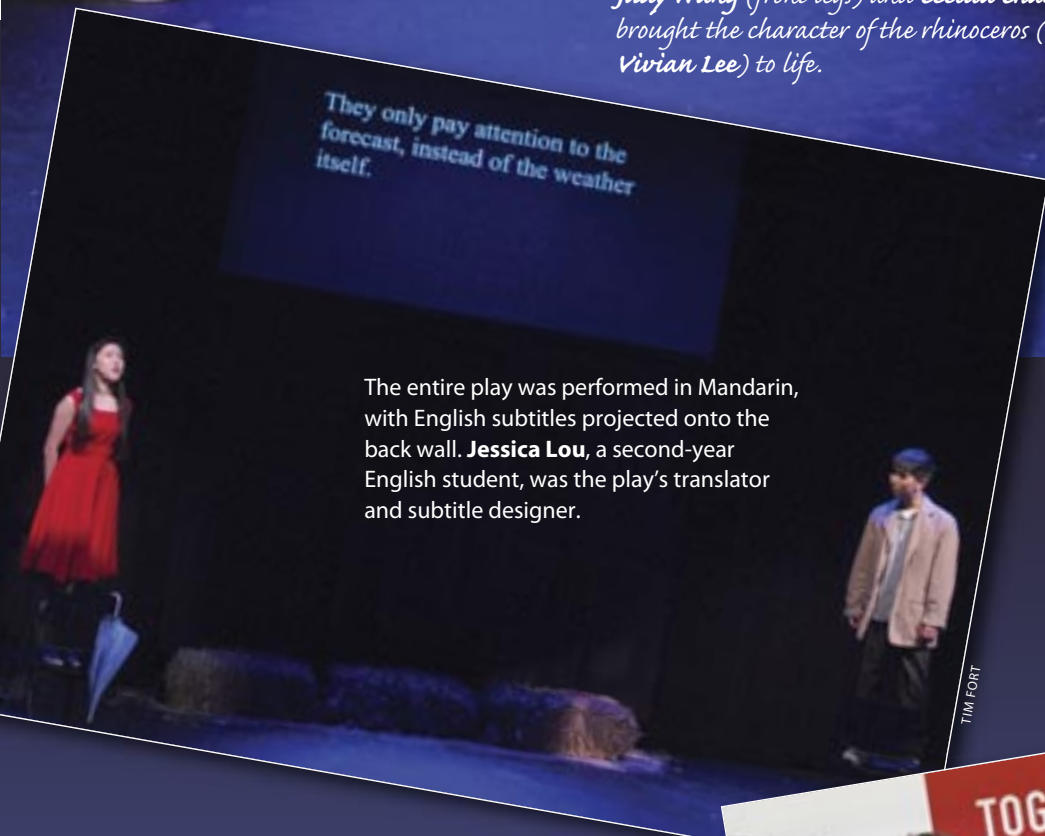
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The group's first production was *Rhinoceros in Love*, a 1999 play by Liao Yimei. By turns tragic and comic, the play explores love, obsession, and the loneliness of the modern age. Thirty-three students were involved, as actors, marketers, musicians, and production crew.



Not all of the lead actors got face-time on the stage: **Judy Wang** (front legs) and **Cecilia Chan** (back legs) brought the character of the rhinoceros (designed by **Vivian Lee**) to life.

TIM FORT



They only pay attention to the forecast, instead of the weather itself.

The entire play was performed in Mandarin, with English subtitles projected onto the back wall. **Jessica Lou**, a second-year English student, was the play's translator and subtitle designer.

TIM FORT

In March, the Yu Theatre Society held five performances of *Rhinoceros in Love* at the studio theatre of the Isabel Bader Centre for the Performing Arts.

Left and above, drama students **Nina Wang** and **Key Hu** play the lead roles of Ming Ming and Ma Lu.

With a few exceptions, the cast and crew of *Rhinoceros in Love* are from China. "This was an interesting way for us to make friends from all around our country," says director/producer **Nicholas Wang**. "Some of us are drama students, and we strived to teach what we learned about theatre with the others, and put them into our production." Students from economics, biology, life sciences, and other disciplines got the opportunity to display their acting talents – and comedic timing – in the production.

At right, **Nicholas Wang**, stage manager **Cassie Wan**, and technical director/production manager **Sophia Xia**.



JANA CHYTILOVA

A decade at the helm

Daniel Woolf looks back at his principalship

BY WANDA PRAAMSA

Principal Daniel Woolf walks with actor Glenn Close towards Kingston Hall to get ready for convocation, as Julie Gordon-Woolf chats with Queen's Communications staff. Ms. Close received an honorary degree from Queen's in 2013 for her advocacy work to address the stigma of mental illness. Student mental health has been a priority for Queen's during Dr. Woolf's tenure.

Daniel Woolf wasn't a party guy as a Queen's student in the 1970s. And while he often attended Gaels football games, he didn't play sports himself and he joined few campus clubs. And he certainly didn't break into song whenever he heard the opening call of the *Oil Thigh*.

"It is not that I don't believe in the spirit of Queen's, the tricolour, the traditions – of course I do," he says. "But for me, the rigorous but encouraging academic education I received here has always been the most important thing. I have always believed that Queen's is a great Canadian academic institution and that is why I wanted to return, as principal."

An introvert who likes to retreat to his country home and his cats, Dr. Woolf has spent the past 10 years at the helm of Queen's. At the end of June, he'll step down as principal, making way for Patrick Deane, current president of McMaster University and a former vice-principal (academic) of Queen's.

During much of the past decade, Dr. Woolf, a professor of history and historiography, has put his inner introvert to the side. He has travelled relentlessly, both in Canada and internationally. He has delivered countless speeches and made appearances at as many campus and out-of-town events as he possibly could. And he has made significant headway on several fronts on campus.

"I knew it was not going to be an easy job," says Dr. Woolf regarding the substantial challenges facing the university when he assumed the principalship in 2009. These included strained labour relations, difficult community relations (street parties pushed former principal Tom Williams to cancel Homecoming), a significant deficit, and less than effective governance and administrative structures.

"My wife Julie and I had joked for some time that becoming principal of Queen's would be the ideal, late-career job for me, so when the position came open, and then when I was ultimately named the successful candidate, I have to say, it was one of the greatest thrills of my life," he says.

But, while there was no question he would accept his dream job, there was some trepidation.

"There was a certain amount of, 'Wow! I am going to be the principal of Queen's!' coupled with 'Ack! I am going to be...the principal...of Queen's!'" says Dr. Woolf with a mock grimace as he remembers thinking about the daunting responsibilities of this new role.

But caution aside, Daniel Woolf *did* have a vision for Queen's and what he wanted to do as its principal. "I thought that Queen's needed to preserve what was necessary in order to differentiate it from other institutions, but I believed, and still do, that Queen's did not need to preserve *everything*," he says. "It also needed to modernize and make space for new and improved traditions."

The plan to modernize Queen's took shape in different ways. He knew one of his first priorities would be to redesign the vice-principal (academic) role to include provostial duties. Compared to other universities, Queen's came late to having a provost, and it was clear to Dr. Woolf that the role needed to be both chief academic officer as well as chief operating officer. With the principal traveling a great deal, meeting with donors and officials from all levels of government, along with the standard daily management duties, the second-in-command would need to handle the academic side of things as well as the "business of the business," which a provost does. And in the fallout of the 2008 global financial crisis, it was imperative that Queen's get back on a solid financial footing.

At that time, Patrick Deane was vice-principal (academic) but he would soon be offered the role of president at McMaster. Dr. Deane's departure allowed Dr. Woolf to make the transition to the new role first with appointing as interim provost, for one year, former dean of Arts and Science Robert Silverman, and then, in 2011, with the hiring of Alan Harrison, an economist and then provost and vice-president (academic) at the University of Calgary. Moving into the role at Queen's, Dr. Harrison was critical in addressing Queen's then-difficult financial situation.

"I owe an enormous amount of credit to him for the work he did to transform the budget model at Queen's," says Dr. Woolf, who adds that he had arrived at the conclusion that the university's budgeting system needed change after a round of visits to academic departments early in his tenure.

"I realized after visiting with

one particular department that there were fundamental problems with the existing budget model. Turning the budgeting process on its head was a key piece of the puzzle to shift Queen's back in a sustainable direction."

The current budget model, formally adopted in 2013, uses a revenue attribution system, meaning that operating dollars from tuition, government operating grants, and research overhead go directly to the faculties and schools that generate them, rather than to the university centrally. Each faculty and school is now responsible for paying its own operating costs, including a charge for its use of the central shared services, such as the library, IT services, and student services.

"The result is that the deans have far greater responsibility for, and control over, revenues and costs flowing from their operations," says Dr. Woolf. "And it provides the faculties and schools with an incentive to cut costs where possible and to develop new revenue-generating programs and activities."

"The new budget model has also made Queen's more resilient as an institution and we are now in a position where we can better withstand turbulence, including the recent tuition cut by the provincial government."

Julie Gordon-Woolf has a couple of favourite moments from the past 10 years. Her personal highlight was convocation 2015, when she graduated from Queen's with a Master of Science in Healthcare Quality, a degree she began in 2013.



Daniel Woolf and Julie Gordon-Woolf after her convocation in 2015



ANDREW CARROLL

Daniel Woolf distributes cookies to students in the Harry Potter room in 2016. The annual cookie drop was started by Dr. Woolf and Julie Gordon-Woolf in 2011.

Participating in the ceremony in Grant Hall, as he has always done as principal, Woolf “hooded” his wife when she received her degree. After the hooding, in a wonderfully intimate moment, she turned around and kissed her husband; he then gave her flowers, and she got back in the line and shook his hand, as well as the hand of Chancellor Leech.

“That was the first time a principal had hooded a spouse at Queen’s, and it was just so lovely,” says Ms. Gordon-Woolf. “I love the photo we have of this occasion, and I have it plastered in several spots around our house.”

Ms. Gordon-Woolf also speaks fondly of their annual “cookie drop” on campus. Each year, the couple has picked a date during exam time in April to visit the libraries on campus and hand out sugar cookies to students, with the hope of lifting spirits during a busy and stressful time.

In Douglas Library, they would head upstairs into the 1923 Reading Room, affectionately known as the “Harry Potter room.” It is always so quiet in that “big, cavernous room,” she says, and when students realized the principal was there handing out cookies, “you could hear the buzz of their quiet chatter and I just loved that.”

Some of those wonderful moments, such as the cookie drop, stemmed from tougher ones – after a succession of suicides on campus, plus two

alcohol-related deaths, Dr. Woolf knew that Queen’s, like so many other universities, was at a crisis point in terms of student mental health.

He quickly convened the Principal’s Commission on Mental Health, led by Dr. David Walker, who brought a strong public health and emergency medicine background to the issues at hand. The commission consulted widely, reporting back to the principal back with more than 100 recommendations for action.

Since then, the university has made many changes and additions to programming and support services, including embedded counsellors in faculties, more counselling staff overall, and peer-led mental health workshops.

“There is always more to be done,” says Dr. Woolf. “Demand for mental health services increases every year and it always worries me that students feel that their needs are not met on campus.”

To that end, he has sent out emails to students in the dead of winter when spirits are often lowest, to remind them of services available to them – not just in terms of counselling support, but at all levels of campus life, from fitness and yoga classes to academic writing and learning support.

Other priorities surfaced in recent years. Dr. Woolf focused on diversity and inclusion at Queen’s – and their ugly counterpart, racism on campus – after an infamous costume party in late 2016.

“I will name one regret, and that is not jumping on this sooner,” says Dr. Woolf, of the need to address aspects of the Queen’s culture that have made it difficult for many on campus to feel welcome. “With many other things happening, it fell off the radar. But I do believe some progress has been made, and my successor will be able to continue moving forward.”

He received a little pushback from some quarters on his priority to address diversity and inclusion. A few of his alumni correspondents worried that Queen’s was being too “politically correct.” But as he wrote in a column in the *Alumni Review* in 2017,

My perspective is simply this: organizations must change, adapt, and remain in tune with social standards (and, ideally, lead on their progressive reform), just as they must change and adapt with respect to pedagogical practices or areas of research... A university is an evolving institution; if it stands still, it will not survive, let alone thrive.

A 2016 Queen’s student Hallowe’en party drew national attention when party photos appeared online that showed white students wearing costumes that depicted offensive racist stereotypes.

Over the last decade, Daniel Woolf has stayed attuned to campus life in a number of ways, through his long-running music show “Dark Glasses” on CFRC Radio and his efforts to keep teaching, as well as supervise graduate students, and complete research projects. And he keeps many Twitter followers (nearly 10,000) happy with his regular posts about grammar, anti-quarian books, Tudor history, his cats Basia and Luis, travel highlights, and university happenings.

“These things all fall under the category of what keeps Daniel sane,” he says. Ms. Gordon-Woolf – who has also kept Dr. Woolf sane, acting as his informal adviser and his confidante after difficult days on the job – adds that he has always been a 24/7 principal, and that has taken its toll after 10 years of a jam-packed schedule.

As July approaches, Daniel Woolf looks forward to determining his own schedule again, settling in to read the stack of books accumulating in his home office, and preparing to write two books during his two-year leave before he begins teaching again in fall 2021.

“I think one of the things people will remember about Daniel is not just what he has done, but who he is,” says Ms. Gordon-Woolf. “He is an academic at heart, whose mind is often elsewhere. He is also a funny guy with a wonderful sense of humour. He thinks in puns – the first things out of his mouth in the morning are puns – and his tweets, the cats, the grammar – I think people will remember that. He is not just a principal – while an introvert, he’s a personable guy and he loves sharing all these things with people.” ■



Daniel Woolf in his home office, where he records episodes of his CFRC radio show, “Dark Glasses,” which features jazz and pop music. (Listen online at cfr.ca.)



Together... in Mitchell Hall

MITCHELL HALL is a dynamic hub that blends health and wellness, innovation and entrepreneurship, engineering research and learning, and a broad array of student life programs and activities. Built on the footprint of the old Physical and Educational Centre (PEC), the building was previously known as the Innovation and Wellness Centre. In 2018, a generous gift from Bruce Mitchell, Sc'68, was announced and the new building was renamed Mitchell Hall.

The building and the programs within it are the result of a collective effort. Alumni and other friends of Queen's have donated nearly \$65 million, \$15 million of which will support programming in Mitchell Hall.

LOWER LEVEL: GYMS/VARSITY TRAINING ROOM

A number of elements from the PEC were used in the new space, including a gym floor that is now part of the north wall (seen here), and the old pool ceiling repurposed as wall material in the building's atrium. The new facility retains the heritage facade of the PEC building (opposite page, far left).

The pitch

On March 28, six teams had just 15 minutes each to convince a panel of judges that their business idea could tackle one or more of the United Nation's 17 global goals for sustainable development.

The second annual World's Challenge Challenge took place in the commons of the Rose Innovation Hub in Mitchell Hall. The challenge was hosted by the Dunin-Deshpande Queen's Innovation Centre (DDQIC).

This challenge encourages the formation of teams of students from different backgrounds and areas of study who can come together to solve a global problem creatively. This year's teams had representation from

- Biology
- Biomedical Engineering
- Commerce
- Economics
- Electrical Engineering
- Engineering Chemistry
- Global Development Studies
- Kinesiology
- Management, Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- Mechanical Engineering
- Medicine
- Political Studies



BERNARD CLARK

The judges: Ben Barrows, founder and CEO, Cabot7; Director of Operations, Abraham Path Initiative; Dirk Rodenberg, entrepreneur and adjunct lecturer, Chemical Engineering and Rehabilitation Studies; Greg Bavington, Executive Director, DDQIC; and Melanie Robb, Program Manager, DDQIC.

Big Spoon
Lil Spoon

Big Spoon Lil Spoon addressed **goal 8: decent work and economic growth**. Currently an AMS club that holds cooking classes and life-skills workshops for kids with intellectual disabilities, its members aim to create a training and certification program to help adults enter the workforce.

I AM
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the gap)

I AM (mending the gap) proposed a certification program for businesses and organizations committed to reducing gender inequality in athletics, combined with funding for athletic programs for girls. The team addressed **goal 3: good health and well-being**, **goal 5: gender equality**, and **goal 10: reduced inequalities**.



BERNARD CLARK

Thesmo Waste

Thesmo Waste (above) was the first team up. Tackling **goal 12: responsible consumption and production**, fourth-year commerce students Ushpreet Mehta and Giovanni Nunno and third-year electrical engineering student Joe Ajoy proposed to turn grocery store food waste into liquid fertilizer to sell to fruit and vegetable farms.

The Polymer Net Solution

The Polymer Net Solution had a two-pronged approach to addressing **goal 14: life below water**, a net placed in select riverbeds to filter out micro plastics combined with a positive financial incentive for shoppers who use their own grocery bags instead of plastic bags.

Queen's Biomedical Innovation Team

The **Queen's Biomedical Innovation Team** introduced **Roll With It**, a universal, multi-purpose assistive device for children with cerebral palsy. The team adopted an IKEA-like business model, envisioning that customers could order parts online and assemble the devices at home. Roll With It addresses **goal 10: reduced inequalities**.

Pastel Education

Pastel Education targeted **goal 4: quality education** and **goal 10: reduced inequalities**. The team's mission is to assist the teachers of children with neurodevelopmental disabilities in developing countries. It has developed animated online content and augmented reality and machine-learning technologies in its pilot program.

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1 Million Teachers was started by Hakeem Subair, MMIE'17. The organization's goal is to help attract, train, and retain one million teachers in developing countries.



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The team, comprising Eric Zhang (above) and Carter McInnis, both in first-year medicine, with biology student Megan Janecka, showed that they had a viable business model with the ability to roll it out on an international level. Building on their existing tools in use in school boards across North America, the team is partnering with 1 Million Teachers, an organization that uses a “train the trainer” model for its education platform in Africa. The team aims to leverage the widespread availability of smartphones and mobile internet to provide quality teacher education anywhere.

Pastel Education moves on to the international wcc finals at Western in June.

What else is on the first floor of Mitchell Hall?

The Côté Sharp Student Wellness Centre will soon open to provide physical and mental wellness services for students in a central and accessible location. (Student Wellness Services is currently located in the LaSalle building on Stuart Street.) Made possible by a gift from Dennis Sharp, Sc'60, and Hélène Côté Sharp, the new centre will offer a diverse suite of medical and counselling services.

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Wendy Luella Perkins, Abdullah El-Asmar, Nathan Brinklow, Kate Johnson

Together, in faith

BY ANDREA GUNN

Light fills the lounge of the new Faith and Spiritual Life office. From the floor-to-ceiling windows, you can look down onto a small courtyard below, and across to the far corridor of Mitchell Hall, now abuzz with students entering engineering studios.

This is a calm spot in the midst of campus hub-bub. It's got a different vibe from its old space in the John Deutsch University Centre. *That* office had the same inclusive philosophy, to be sure, but its dark wood-paneled walls and limited space for private conversations gave the office a more formal, almost forbidding, feel.

The new Office of Faith and Spiritual Life has an airy, plant-filled lounge with adjacent kitchen, perfect for drop-ins by students and others. It also has two offices in which people can meet privately with one of the four university chaplains.

Next door is the interfaith room, used for a drop-in lunchtime singing group, Friday Muslim prayers, and other campus gatherings. It's also increasingly used by off-campus faith and community groups.

Altogether, it's a welcoming space for people of all faiths – or no faith at all – to find solace,

guidance, or simply a little quiet time.

The doors of the Queen's chaplain's office have always been open to everyone on campus, even from the early days of the university's first chaplain, "Padre" Lavery, who came to Queen's in 1947. But it was the university's second chaplain, Brian Yealland (MDiv'72), who brought the interfaith model to campus. And for his successor, it was a natural fit. A member of the Religious Society of Friends – Quakers – Kate Johnson (MDiv'06), believes that the Divine speaks to everyone in their own personal way. She shares her workspace – and workload – with three assistant chaplains, each bringing their own worldview to the office. And thanks to the support of an anonymous donor, Kate has been able to expand some of their programming, to build community while working to address issues like food insecurity and isolation.

The act of making and sharing food is a powerful way to bring people together. In addition to organizing communal dinners for stressed-out students at exam time, Wendy Luella Perkins (MTS'97), a Unitarian Universalist minister, runs two cooking programs through the school year. Cooking with Grandmas brings together members of the Queen's Women's Association and students to cook and share a meal at the QWA's Albert Street space. It became so popular that it now has a spin-off, Cooking with Kingstonians, which brings together community members and students to cook and share vegan meals at St. James Anglican Church.

"At least half of the women who volunteer with Cooking with Grandmas are Queen's alumni," says Wendy Luella. "And about half of the Cooking with Kingstonians volunteers are also alumni. A rich part of my work is that I get to be involved with volunteers – to create something *together*. On the surface, it looks like the Grandmas and the Kingstonians are helping the students, and of course they *are*, but I would say that they receive more than they give. They all say 'What a great experience. I've never met so many students from different backgrounds and different cultures and different places in the world, and studying different things.' So alumni who live here have the opportunity to stay connected with Queen's in really interesting ways.

"The idea is that the Grandmas and the Kingstonians buy the food and bring the recipes, but essentially the students – with the volunteers' help – are making the food. So, some students come and they don't know how to use a knife. So they're getting support: 'This is the safe way to use a knife.' or 'Look, you cut up this pepper, but there's a whole piece around the stem that still can be used and eaten.' In many small ways, there are skills that get shared.

"The students learn practical skills, so there's the joy of that, but they're also building their own capacity, and I can see the pride that gets experienced. 'Oh I totally learned to how to devein a pepper and get the most out of it.' There was a young woman making banana bread with the Grandmas. And at first, she said, 'Oh, I don't bake!' But there she was, stirring

things up, learning at the side of someone who bakes a lot, and just feeling pride and joy in knowing she could do something she didn't think she could."

And after the cooking, there's the eating. And the conversation.

"We sit around the table, we have an appetizer, a main, and a dessert that we have made together, and then there's conversation at the table. Usually, I do a go-around and have people say their names. And then I might pose a question, like 'What's a sign of spring that you've noticed?' So it's like a low-investment kind of question, it's not like, 'Tell me the most important thing about your research!' It's a light question, and then we go around the table while we're eating. And then people start talking and asking questions. It's very relaxed. There's a lot of laughter.

"And as a bonus, the students get to take home the leftovers. Who doesn't love leftovers?

"But truthfully, a not insignificant portion of the students who come are struggling to make ends meet. We have a bursary available; it's five dollars to come to these events, but five bucks is a lot for many students. At the end of the month, you may not have much left for groceries. At an institution like Queen's, there's an assumption that all our students come from middle-class or wealthy families, but that's not true. There's a great diversity of students. And for many international students, their families have done everything they can to get their child to a world-class university, to pay for their housing and their tuition, and don't have a lot left over."



Two cooking programs offered through Faith and Spiritual Life create nutritious meals for students while nurturing community connections.

CHRISTINE JAMIESON, RGD

SECOND FLOOR: FAITH AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

Imam Abdullah El-Asmar has been with the Office of Faith and Spiritual Life for two years. He splits his week between this office and Kingston-area penitentiaries, as the local Muslim chaplain for Correctional Services. “They’re two very different populations,” he says, “with very different needs.” Ideally, he’d like to spend more time on campus. “I feel that the work that I do here has more of a direct impact on the students’ lives. In the prison, it’s a program: they come, they attend, they go back to their cells, and life goes on. But here, they’re living in society, they’re interacting with people, they’re learning, they’re growing, and they’ll go on to their careers. So whatever happens here in this environment really has a lot of impact on their growth, on their future. So I feel that we have a positive effect on them. Not to say that I don’t have an effect on the prisoners I see! But here, it’s more immediate, it’s more *felt*, and I think it’s more needed.”

He is, he stresses, an interfaith chaplain, like his three colleagues, and welcomes visits from all students. “But it *just so happens*,” he laughs, “that I’m Muslim, I’m an imam, so the majority – but not all – of the people I work with are also Muslim.” And he says, “Muslim students face the same issues as every other student – stress, anxiety, depression – but they may come to me because they want to get answers that come from an Islamic understanding on how to deal with these situations. So I feel I provide that kind of specialized service. It may be ‘What can I draw upon to help me through this?’ as well as practical problem-solving. So we can discuss with them how to talk to their teachers about an issue, what resources the university provides, and also, how we can help them to have conversations about accommodations for religious holidays, for instance.”

A week before I met Abdullah, the world was rocked with the news of the terrorist attacks on two mosques in Christchurch, New Zealand. He tells me how he and his colleagues came together for the campus community.

“The office was busy!” he says. “I made it a point to be here on campus, so I took time off from my other job to be here for students, so at our Friday service, I addressed the congregation, and so did Kate. And that same evening, we held a gathering of remembrance in the interfaith room. It’s a circle of remembrance, meditation, and invocation. A lot of people came out that night, and we talked about the events in New Zealand. People just spoke about their feelings and their fears. A lot of emotion was let out. A lot of it was in a positive, constructive way, and I think that was a nice outlet for them to come here, express themselves, and feel safe.”

Even if they couldn’t make sense of this tragedy, this was a place where they could feel vulnerable and afraid and angry, together with others feeling all the same emotions. There was also a public vigil in Kingston that attracted more than 150 people, all standing together in mourning, hope, and reconciliation.

“An attack on one faith is an attack on all faiths,” says Abdullah. “An attack on a worshipper is an attack on all worshippers. So we feel a lot of solidarity for our Christian and Jewish neighbours and we’ve seen that outpouring of support in our communities. So that gives us a lot of comfort, that this is not the general population feeling enmity against the Muslim community. It’s a small minority of extremist, radical people. It makes us feel at ease to know that we stand together against violence, against hate, against extremism, no matter which place they come from.

“At the end of the day, we all want the same things. We are all people who are worshipping God, and we want to live our lives to the fullest, in terms of being as spiritual as we can and expressing our faith in the best way we can. And there is *no* faith out there that calls for anybody to be hurtful or violent to their neighbour. It doesn’t exist! These are radical interpretations by extremists who are deluded. And unfortunately, sometimes they are seen as being representatives of that faith.”

Nathan Brinklow (Thanyehténhas) is a part-time adviser in the Office of Faith and Spiritual Life, balancing his work here with a busy schedule as an instructor in Mohawk language and culture, both at Queen’s and on nearby Tyendinaga Territory. Like many people whose lives take a spiritual path, his journey took some detours, from his original goal to become an Anglican priest. As he describes it, “a series of nudges” led him back to his roots. A member of the Turtle Clan, he is a speaker in the longhouse, the traditional spiritual and political organization of the Haudenosaunee.

Although he’s in the office less than the others, Nathan is available to act as a frontline team member to students looking for help. He says, though, that due to the addition of other resources at Queen’s, the requests for help with resources specifically for Indigenous students has decreased somewhat. “If a student wants to talk to somebody specifically about finding cultural services or gaining cultural perspectives,” he says, “they can make contact through Indigenous Initiatives. And of course Four Directions [Indigenous Student Centre] has always been there. But this is one more place for them.”

Still, students find Nathan when – and where – they need him. “Things just happen,” he says with a smile. “Students connect with us in different places, in different ways. Abdullah may connect with students at prayer. Kate and I meet students at events; Wendy Luella connects with them through food. I connect with students in my classroom.”

Nathan also connects with the Queen’s alumni community, officiating, often in collaboration with Kate, at formal events. At a recent Grant Hall Society dinner, the two debuted their hybridization of a traditional Mohawk opening. They took turns, Nathan speaking in Mohawk, Kate in English, each with the appropriate subtitles broadcast on the wall behind them.

“Shiyonkwatateweyenenta’ónhatye skáthne taetewá:tonte’, skenná:kon teyethinonhwerá:ton ne akwé:kon ne kayenthókwen tsi enyonkhí:nonte’; ne kawerá:no tsi yonkwatonryè:tha; táhnon tsi akwé:kon ne Kanenha’ké:ne oksohkhwa’shón:’a yonkwatshennonyà:tha.”

“As we are preparing to share a meal together, we acknowledge (in peace) all of the plants and animals that feed us, the humans who make this event possible, and the hope that comes with signs of spring.”

“I don’t use the word ‘prayer,’” Nathan says of this oration. “It’s tricky; we’re a secular institution and the Indigenization of events poses a challenge when the secular and the sacred aren’t as separate as they are in the non-Indigenous world. While some people, in their personal practice, think of these words as a prayer – they are praying to *someone* – my understanding has always been that this is more of an acknowledgement and a way to say ‘thank you.’ We say ‘thank you’ to the people who made our dinner, we’re going to thank the people who came to the event. But it also extends out into the rest of the world, so we also send thanks and greetings to all these other things on the earth and all the things we’re working on together.

“For a lot of people, it will be their very first time to hear Mohawk, and to see, in context, this piece of our tradition at this big event. It’s not just stuck in the Indigenous language classroom. It’s in this real part of the university, not just in the small isolated clusters.”

As the full-time chaplain of Queen’s University, Kate Johnson works a 40-hour week, and then some. During office hours, she sees a steady flow of visitors, some just dropping by,

others who make appointments for individual counselling. While the resources of the office are open to Queen’s faculty and staff, most of Kate’s time is spent with students. “I get many referrals from professors,” she says, “who see students struggling in one way or another.” For students nervous about talking to a chaplain, she is reassuring. “About 75 percent of my work with them is active listening. I tell them, ‘You get to direct the conversation.’”

Outside the office, Kate is active with fellow members of the Kingston Interfaith Council. She sees a lot of benefit in growing the town-gown collaborations among members of the faith community and other community support organizations. For instance, she initiated a partnership

with the local chapter of Bereaved Families of Ontario, which now uses the interfaith room for its meetings.

In addition to finding areas in which they can share resources, members of the Kingston interfaith community often find themselves coming together in solidarity in times of tragedy. As this story was in development, there was another terrorist attack, this time on Christian worshippers in a church in Sri Lanka. On behalf

of the local interfaith community, Kate Johnson posted this open letter on Facebook:

“We write to once again decry the senseless sectarian violence that mars our world. We are deeply saddened to think of the deaths of so many Sri Lankan Christians, other Sri Lankan citizens, and guests to Sri Lanka as they went about their lives. We are deeply moved by the irony of so many killed as they gather to celebrate the festival of hope and renewal that is the Christian festival of Easter.

We write also to testify to our sense that this violence is so unnecessary. The best ethical systems allow human beings to control themselves without the need to control others. Where religious rhetoric is used to justify control of others, we see politics co-opting faith. As a diverse group of people of faith we affirm our obligation to live without violence against, or control of, others.

We will gather Wednesday April 24 in Kingston’s City Park to tie ribbons of mourning and hope onto the Peace Tree. No matter how often we need to gather, we will not retreat from our efforts to increase cooperation across humankind.” ■

THIRD FLOOR: BEATY WATER RESEARCH CENTRE

THE BEATY WATER RESEARCH CENTRE is an interdisciplinary research and education centre. Its members welcome collaborations with researchers, educators, policy-makers, industry, and the community on activities related to water access, resources, quality, and use as well as non-traditional and emerging disciplines.

Gisell Pazmino, an MASc student (Civil Engineering) checks her vials of algae growing in centrate waste water. Ms. Pazmino's research is on a microalgae-based wastewater treatment for nutrient recovery and biomass production.



JANA CHYTILOVA



Learn more about the Beaty Water Research Centre in the *Queen's Alumni Review's* 2018 "Water" issue: queensu.ca/gazette/alumnireview/stories/clean-water.

What else is on the third floor of Mitchell Hall?

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A home away from home Principal J.A. Corry cuts the ribbon at the 1962 opening of International House on 181 University Ave. Seen here: Queen's chaplain Padre Laverty; Ed Churchill, the building's owner; Principal Corry; Professor F.J.L. Young, MA'52, staff adviser to international students; and Karl Bennett, Arts'62, MA'64.

International House was the first home on campus to Queen's growing international student population. "Ed and Anna Churchill took a keen interest in young people, particularly international students," says Bob Little, Arts'58, Law'61, a longtime family friend. "With the help of members of the local Rotary Club, they founded International House." In 1965, the International Centre moved into the Students' Memorial Union building (later the JDUC). Its 1966 official opening was marked with a ribbon-tying, to symbolize the fact that international students were an integral part of the Queen's community. "In 1967, the Churchills set up a foundation to further their support to the International Centre, as well as to other organizations supporting young people." Bob is a director on the Churchill Family Foundation board.

In 2019, the Queen's University International Centre (QUIC) moved again, to Mitchell Hall, where its new space includes the Ed Churchill Hall of Friendship, a popular gathering place for students to meet and make friends.

Do you have memories of the original International House or QUIC? Let us know: review@queensu.ca.

Unless otherwise indicated, dates in these notes refer to 2019.

Up to 1959

Notes



Henry Dinsdale, Meds'55, writes, "A small group recently took the Queen's alumni tour 'A Taste of Northern Italy.' Arriving in Milan, we travelled to

Turin, the Italian Riviera, Cinque Terra, Bologna, Verona, and finally, Venice. The tour focused on wine and food. Knowledgeable sommeliers at various vineyards led us through the subtleties of Barolo, Valpolicella, Amarone, and Prosecco wines. We observed the making of Parmigiano Reggiano cheese and traditional Aceto Balsamico and had a tasting in a remarkable chocolate factory. Excellent guides led us on informative walking tours and museum visits at each location along the way. The photo was taken in the historic anatomical theatre at the University of Bologna." Seen here: John Wherrett, Meds'55; docent and guide Donato Santeramo, Head of Queen's Department of Languages, Literature and Culture; June Dinsdale, Com'54; Callum Gillies, Arts'70; and Henry

John Wong, Meds'59, had an unexpected adventure in March: he was on the cruise ship that was stranded off the coast of Norway for almost 24 hours. "There were moments that the ship was in danger of flipping over in the angry Norwegian Sea," he reports. John and his fellow passengers were safely evacuated. He is now back home in California.

Deaths

Pamela (MacDonald) Atwood, BA/BPHE'52, died Jan. 14 in her 90th year. She is survived by her children Lyn, Artsci/PHE'77, Janice, Artsci'80, Cheryl, Bruce, Barbara, and Colin, Artsci'92, Ed'93, and ten grandchildren, including Alexandra Petkovski, Mus'14. While juggling a family of six children, Pam managed to have a long and successful career as a high school phys-ed and English teacher.

She also coached basketball, volleyball, and track and field. A classy lady and accomplished cook, Pam frequently brought friends and family together to celebrate the memorable events and milestones of life at her dinner parties. She enjoyed travelling, gardening, playing bridge, skiing, golf, tennis, and singing with her church choir. Pam was the first member of her family to attend university. A proud Queen's graduate, she volunteered with the Arts'52 class executive and attended a number of reunions. During her life she established a planned gift to benefit the Queen's General Endowment Fund.



Frederic Norman Brown, MD'47 (Meds'48), died March 18 in Ottawa in his 95th year. He was predeceased by his beloved wife of

62 years, L. Elaine. During his time at Queen's, Norman, who was part of the accelerated wartime class of Meds'48, was actively involved in the Aesculapian Society; he served as its treasurer (1944–45), vice-president (1945–46), and president (1946–47). Following his residency in Toronto, Norman returned to Ottawa where he practised as a general surgeon at the Ottawa Civic Hospital. In 1965, Norman added the role of assistant secretary treasurer of the Canadian Medical Protective Association (CMPA) to his duties as senior general surgeon and senior lecturer in the Department of Surgery at the University of Ottawa. In 1972, Norman assumed the leadership role of secretary treasurer of the CMPA, which he led until his retirement in 1988. During his tenure at the CMPA, Norman was recognized as the foremost medico-legal authority in Canada, an individual whose advice and help were sought by many medical defence organizations throughout the world. Norman is survived by his daughters Catherine Brown-Evernden, BNSc'77 (Bruce), Janet Nativ, Artsci/PHE'83 (Avi), Laura Burnside, Artsci'82 (Graham), and Barbara MacKay, Artsci'84 (Vern); grandchildren Cara Evernden, Hillary Kavanagh, Artsci'11, Duncan Evernden, Emily

Paquette, Kimberly Kavanagh, Anna Nativ, and Martin MacKay; and great-grandchildren Carissa and Elaina Paquette.



Robert Burnside, BSc'56, died Nov. 24, 2018 in Kingston. Predeceased by Doris, his wife of 54 years, Bob is survived by his children Janet (Colin Kelly), Jillian, Artsci'83, MIR'87 (Don Bradley), and Jay Joyce, Artsci'86 (Michelle Marshall), and grandchildren Jeffrey Prozeller, Jennifer Watts, and Nichola Burnside-Marshall, Artsci'19. After graduating from Chemical Engineering, Bob had a 32-year career with Esso Chemical and Imperial Oil, attaining the rank of vice-president. Upon retirement in 1988, Bob returned to Kingston and his alma mater to assume the role of associate to the principal, a position he held for seven years. Bob was instrumental in the establishment and reorganization of the gift planning office and advancement department at Queen's. He received the Queen's Distinguished Service Award, and the alumni association's Padre Laverty Award and Herb Hamilton Award. Bob had a long history of active volunteerism, serving as president of the Queen's alumni association, chair of the Queen's Engineering Advisory Council, among other roles. A dedicated philanthropist, in 2011, Bob gave a \$1-million donation to the Queen's Innovation program. Bob was loved and respected within his community of friends and family. He was known for being loyal and a man of his word. With a great sense of humour, he had a knack for making even the toughest challenges seem doable. Bob's family welcomes donations to the Science '56 Entrance Bursary Fund at Queen's University in Bob's memory.

Frances Patricia (Hayward) Cloke, BA'41, died Feb. 20. Predeceased by her husband, Jack, Fran is survived by her children Bill, Sc'71, Margaret, and John, and extended family. At

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Queen's, Fran was very involved in campus life: she was president of the Levana Athletic Board of Control and was on the

badminton and diving teams. She loved her time at Queen's and often talked about how lucky she was to have been given the opportunity to go there. After graduation, Fran served as a munitions quality control inspector with the Women's Army Corp. Raising her family in Ancaster, Ont., Fran always had a ready smile and a helping hand for others. She was active in her local church and was a docent at the Art Gallery of Hamilton. After attending the Dundas School of Art, she soon transformed her love of art into a passion for painting. Fran spent 98 summers at the family cottage at Fernbank (near Brockville) on the St. Lawrence River – sailing, paddling, swimming, and painting. Fran moved back to Brockville in 2017 and passed away beside her beloved river.



Edward Max Cohen, BA'49, died Dec. 10 in Ottawa. Max is survived by his wife, Rena, son Jonathan, Artsci'89 (Donna), and

daughters Alison Nasisi (Sol) and Sheila Strock (Ari), and grandchildren Jake, Uriel, Ben, Julia, Avalie, and Ethan. After graduating from Queen's, Max attended Osgoode Hall Law School and was a barrister and solicitor in Ottawa for more than 50 years with the firm Snipper, Cohen and Murray. He was also appointed to the Ontario Queen's Counsel (QC). Max enjoyed his years at Queen's and shared songs and stories about his own experiences with his family.



Alan Elliott, MD'56, died Dec. 17 in Ottawa. He is survived by his wife, Sylvia, children Jeffrey, Gail, David, and Amy, Artsci'88, MPA'89, and was predeceased, in 2015, by his daughter

Susan, BA'71. Alan practised medicine for more than 61 years. In 1977, he left his successful family practice in Peterborough, Ont., to work with Medico, a service of CARE, as a medical administrator in Afghanistan. There, he oversaw a residency program and coordinated volunteer physicians/surgeons from Canada, Australia, and the U.S. Due to the communist coup of 1978, he and his family fled to Nepal where he continued his international work. From 1980 to 1996, Alan took on a medical diplomatic role with Health and Welfare Canada as deputy medical director in a variety of postings that included regions of Africa, India, Great Britain, Hong Kong, and the Caribbean. In this role he oversaw public service health for those immigrating to Canada and Canadians living abroad. In 1992, he was selected as a representative to a ten-person team by the organization of security co-operation in Europe for a mission to verify the reported atrocities of torture and starvation in POW camps in Bosnia-Herzegovina and Croatia. Alan returned to rural Canada in 1997, and had a family medicine practice in the Northbrook, Ont. area. He was also named medical director of the local nursing home. In 2012, he received the Council Award, which honours outstanding physicians, from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario. Alan practised medicine up to one month before his death. He would have been 89 in February.



Stewart Fyfe, BA'49, MA'55 (PhD, Manchester), Professor Emeritus (Political Studies), died Jan. 30. Recently predeceased by Jocelyn, his beloved wife of

64 years, Stewart is survived by their sons Andrew, Artsci'81 (Nancy), Douglas, Artsci'84 (Claire), and Peter, Ed'94 (Jennifer [Cox], Ed'95), and six grandchildren. Stewart's life was dedicated to making a difference. An active member of the Queen's community for more than six decades, beginning his career as a lecturer in Economics, he taught

local government to generations of students, created professional development programs for municipal staff, and provided counselling for students. He was also active in developing and extending student exchange programs and placements under the Skelton-Clark fellowship programs. His work as a consultant and an educator took him to Europe and Russia and across Canada from Newfoundland to Whitehorse. He was heavily involved in local government reform in Ontario, including chairing the commission that led to the formation of Waterloo Region. In Kingston, he was instrumental in the formation of the Art Collection Society and the City of Kingston's planning department and assisted with neighbourhood improvement projects and the city's early efforts in heritage conservation, which became the foundation of the Ontario Heritage Act. For many years he was a member of and chaired Kingston's Planning Committee and the Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority. Many will remember him leading the convocation parade in his red and gold academic regalia. He was a voracious reader, avid Gaels football fan, and lover of cottage life with his dear family. As an expression of sympathy, donations may be made to the Arts '49 Principal Wallace Fellowship at Queen's.



Peter Galbraith, MD'56, Professor Emeritus (Hematology), died Oct. 20, 2018. Predeceased by Ruth (Witrofsky), MD'56, his wife

and best friend of 62 years, Peter is survived by his brother Ian, Arts'57, children Meredith, Artsci'80 (David Freedman), Chris, Sc'83, PhD'89 (Lee Wetherall, Ed'76, MBA'82), and Leslie, Artsci'90, MAC'93 (Rob Baker, Artsci'86); grandchildren Peter, Artsci/PHE'09, MSc'11, Ed'13 (Rachel Coens, Artsci/PHE'07, MSc'09), Jamie (James), Boris, Kin'16, MSc'18, Gabrielle, and Angus; and great-granddaughters Ava, Matilda, and Molly. The founding head of the Division of Hematology/Oncology at Queen's, Peter directed the hematology training program for more than

25 years. He ran a division renowned for its compassion, both for its patients and for the interns and residents who rotated through. Peter was also instrumental in establishing the chemotherapy unit at Kingston General Hospital and was a founder of the palliative care service there. Popular with medical students, Peter was invited to be an honorary member of Medical House. He was twice chosen as honorary class president, for Meds'67 and Meds'76. He earned several education awards, being

recognized for excellence in clinical skills training and for the interactive hematology training tool he developed (hemeteam.com). In his memory, donations may be made to the Peter R. Galbraith MD Award for Palliative Care Education to promote and support advanced training in palliative care medicine within Hematology and Oncology. givetoqueens.ca/petergalbraith

Edward Garvin, BA'55, died Jan. 11. Predeceased by his twin brother, Kenneth, BA'56, MD'61, Edward is survived by his wife, Kathleen, and three children. Edward taught history and art at Kirkland Lake C.V.I. for 31 years.

Gordon Mallory, BSc'58, died April 25, 2018. Gord is survived by Enid (Swerefeger), Arts'59, his wife of 58 years, children Peter, Jonathan, Allison, and Laura, and extended family. After completing his degree in electrical engineering, Gord worked as a nuclear engineer at General Electric in Peterborough. He and three friends then started Spectrum Engineering Company, which grew to 120 employees and was eventually sold to Rolls Royce. Gord's interests were his family and friends, the wilderness, and his cottage on Big Cedar Lake. He could fix anything and was an accomplished builder. Recently, he restored the classic cedar-strip boat built by his father in the 1950s. With Enid, he travelled all over North America, mostly in "Sam," their Road Trek camper van, enjoying and photographing natural places, birds, and wildlife.

Peter Pride, BSc'56, died Dec. 20 in Kingston. Predeceased by his wife, Erla, Peter is remembered by his many cousins, his friends at St. Lawrence Place and St. George's Cathedral, and his Science '56 family. Peter studied metallurgical engineering at Queen's and had a long career with Alcan.



John Henry Purkis, BCom'48, died March 18 in his 102nd year. Predeceased by his first wife, Eunice (Kirby), BA'78, John is survived by his second wife, Shirley (Brooks) Arts'41, children Sandra, Arts'69 (Atulesh

Nandi, MSc'70), John, MBA'85, Ian, Artsci'83, Leslie, Artsci'79, and Lise; stepchildren Lyn, Guy, and Alana; 12 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. After two years working as a civilian for the war effort in Canada, John enlisted in the Canadian Armed Forces, serving from 1942 to 1946 in England, Belgium, Netherlands, and the occupation of Germany. After graduation from Queen's, John began his career with Alcan, working with the company in cities across Canada as well as in Spain, where he was CFO. He retired in Kingston in 1983. After retirement, John continued to consult for Alcan and served on its pension board. He was also owner, director, and tax consultant for an accounting company started by his son Ian. John was an active volunteer with Queen's: he was president of Commerce '48, promoter of the Commerce '48 Endowment Fund, and past member of University Council. He also served as president of the Kingston Seniors' Association, among other community organizations. In 2018, John and Shirley were presented with the Outstanding Philanthropist Award by the local chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals. They were also 2019 recipients of the Herbert J. Hamilton Volunteer Service Award presented by the QUAA.



Jack C. Simons, BSc'57, died Jan. 31. Predeceased by his wife, Joan, Jack is survived by children Jo Ann, Jacquie, and Jeff, and their families. After completing his studies in civil engineering, Jack began his career with BA Oil, later moving to positions at Gulf Oil and Petro-Canada. In his retirement years he enjoyed curling, golf, and volunteering with the Toronto Kiwanis.

Edward Thornton, BSc'52, died Feb. 18 in Quispamsis, N.B. Edward studied mining engineering at Queen's. (His father, Harry Thornton, BA'29, MA'35, and sister, Marg Walker, BA'64, were also Queen's grads.) Ed's distinguished engineering career saw him work in many communities throughout Canada. He maintained close ties with his classmates and

MEDS'58 REUNION

Members of Meds'58 gathered back in Kingston in October for a Homecoming reunion. Joining 14 members of the class were "significant others" – wives, widows, partners, and children. Class president **Gord Mouldey** writes, "Thanks to those in the group who brought the booklet *A History of Queen's Medicine Class of 1958* to fruition. Our deceased classmate, Ron Masotti, and his wife, Pauline, had made the publication of this history a priority. Other contributors were Ralph Pohlman, Ralph Schneider, and Brian Wherrett. Thanks to all of them, but a special thanks to Ralph and Lois Pohlman for their significant financial help in getting the booklet printed. It is fitting that the booklet was published in Kingston by Ron Masotti, Jr., and his wife, Joanna. We were delighted by their presence at our reunion gatherings, as well as that of Jocelyn Hart, Al Hart's daughter, at our reunion dinner." Anyone who couldn't make the reunion but is interested in purchasing the booklet can contact Brian Wherrett at 613-546-8838 or bawherrett@gmail.com.

Seen here are just some of the reunion attendees. Front row: Ralph Schneider, Barbara Langford, Ron Masotti, Jr., Joanna Masotti; middle row: Mike Newhouse, Diane Berry, Brian Wherrett, Kathie Wherrett, Gord Mouldey, Carol Newhouse; back row: Bob Langford, Marg Schneider, Gloria Yaworsky, Walter Yaworsky, Jim Berry, Pauline Masotti, Joan Mouldey. The quilt showing Meds'58 memories was a gift from Jim and Diane Berry. ■



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Alumni are invited to elect, from amongst themselves, ten members to sit on the University Council.

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Mervin Dewasha

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Sandra Linsdell (Loek)

Geraldine MacDonald

Megan Mahoney

Jim Mason

Saro Persaud

Mark Sinclair Staveley

Zehra Sheerazi

Rathika Sitsabaiesan

Brian Sterling

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attended a number of reunions. Predeceased by his wife, Margaret, Ed is survived by his children Janet, Sean, Mike, and Jim, and extended family.

1960s

Honours



Mike Ircha, Sc'68, MPL'73, MPA'80 (PhD, Cardiff University), received an honorary professorship from the UN's World Maritime University in Malmö, Sweden. He received the honour in recognition of his service to WMU as a visiting professor for 20 years, and for supporting and mentoring generations of WMU students, both in Malmö and in Shanghai, in his specialist field of ports and logistics. Here's Mike (on right) at the ceremony with WMU president Cleopatra Doumbia-Henry and chancellor Kitack Lim. Mike is senior adviser for the Association of Canadian Port Authorities. He is also Professor Emeritus (Civil Engineering) of the University of New Brunswick and an adjunct research professor (Civil and Environmental Engineering) at Carleton University.



Hugh Landerkin, Law'67, was recently honoured with the Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers, given by the Governor General of Canada. Hugh was recognized for applying his judicial experience to his volunteer role in curriculum development and teaching over the past decade. He helped expand the peace and conflict studies program at Royal Roads University in partnership with five partner universities in Thailand. "I am both flattered and honoured to receive this award," writes Hugh, "as it recognizes my contributions abroad, particularly in

Thailand, where I lectured, and also trained Thai judges, lawyers, and mediators in conflict analysis and management, principally in non-adversarial justice constructs." Hugh's work with Royal Roads University came about after a serious health scare. "I suffered a massive, near-fatal heart attack in 1997, whilst I was a sitting Family and Youth Court judge in Calgary. Subsequently, the Alberta Judicial Council declared me disabled, and placed me on long-term medical leave. With a badly damaged heart, I knew that I could no longer stay in Calgary because of its altitude and cold weather, both of which made my heart work harder, and tired me out sooner. I moved to Vancouver Island near Sidney. As luck would have it, my best friend in Calgary, a former B.C. college president, knew Jerry Kelly, the incoming president of Royal Roads. The dean of the Peace and Conflict Division put me to work, asking me to do 'as much as I can, when I can.' And thus began my new career as an academic, where I proved to myself that being disabled does not mean unable. This award, coupled with my 2002 Queen Elizabeth II Golden Jubilee Medal for distinguished contribution to public service, along with my 2005 Alberta Centennial Medal for my significant contribution to my fellow citizens, my community, and to Alberta, are a fitting capstone to a wonderful career in law since graduating in 1967 from Queen's Law."

Deaths

Russell Alexander Allan, BA'69, died Jan. 5 at home in Venice, Fla. Russ had a lifelong military career. In 1951–52, he served in Korea as a rifleman with Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. After his return to Canada, he transferred to the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps. Highlights of his army career included serving with the Airborne Logistics Unit, two tours with the United Nations in Egypt, becoming commanding officer of 4 Service Battalion in Lahr, West Germany, and base commander of CFB London, Ontario. In 1983, he was promoted to brigadier-general and awarded the Order of Military Merit. After three years as

the director general, supply and logistics systems, Russ retired from the army in 1986, then worked as a military equipment procurement consultant for several years.



Carolyn (Pile) Day, BA'68, died Nov. 30. She is survived by her husband, Peter, sons Richard and Kevin, and extended family. Carolyn was predeceased by her parents, Ronald and Catherine (Billings) Pile, BA'41. Besides her lifelong commitment to her family, Carolyn was a deeply committed lifelong volunteer and community supporter through the schools, her churches, and the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW). She was also an active advocate for the environment through her membership on the Provincial Source Water Protection Committee and the Great Lakes Charter Annex Advisory Panel under the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources.

Elizabeth (Teal) Johnson, BNSc'63, BA'64 (MEd, University of Ottawa), died Dec. 22 in Waterloo, Ont., aged 101. Betty was predeceased by her husband, Gordon Johnson, BSc'47. Betty was a nursing sister in the RCAF in the Second World War. She met Gordon at Queen's when Betty was registered in the special course for veterans in the spring of 1946. Gordon was then manager of the Collins House, the Science '44 Co-op residence, and entering his final year in Mechanical Engineering. They were married on Dec. 27, 1946. They moved to British Guiana in 1947 when Gordon accepted a position with ALCAN Mining Bauxite there. After Gordon's death in 1962, Betty returned to Canada and went directly to Kingston and re-enrolled at Queen's. She graduated with her nursing degree, focused on public health, in 1963, and with her BA in 1964. She taught the Registered Nursing Assistant program at Champlain High School in Pembroke for 15 years. Betty was also a nurse and matron at Trinity College School in Port Hope for five years before retiring in 1984. Betty is survived by children

Carolyn, Robert, and Kathryn, seven grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Jocelyn “Joy” (Smith) Johnstone, BA’62, died Oct. 17 in Ottawa. Joy is survived by Neil, Sc’61, her husband of 55 years, sons Mike and Doug, and their families. At Queen’s, Joy was a member of the Queen’s Bands. She was also active in student musicals, often playing the leading role. A great lover of music, Joy was choir director of the CFUW Madri-Gals for many years. She also sang in the choir at Rothwell United Church and, for a number of years, directed the church’s senior hand-bell choir.



John William Taylor Judson, BA’65, LLB’71, died Jan. 7, in his 76th year. John had a varied and rewarding 40 years in the practice of law, serving the last 30 years of

his career as senior partner at Lerner LLP in London, Ont., before retiring in 2015. He appeared at all levels of court, local and abroad, representing various municipalities and health units. He was also a major player in the establishment of the Ontario Principals’ Council. In everything he did, John held the interests of his clients in the highest regard. He was a proud and longstanding member of the Fort Henry Guard, and held fond memories of the 1963 Royal Tournament in England. John is survived by his wife, Ann Pavlic, children Ian, Artsci’94, Taylor, Ed’99, Artsci’99, Neil, Artsci’04, Jack, and Ella, and extended family.



Douglas Crawford Langlotz, BSc’61, died Nov. 6, 2018. Predeceased by his wife, Lynn, Doug is survived by his children David and Philip and their families, and siblings Brian, Sc’60, and Jill. As a Professional Engineer, Doug worked with Fiberglas Canada in Guelph for more than 20 years and the Standards Council of Canada in Ottawa for more than 10 years.

Thillainathan “Siva” Sivakumaran, MSc’66, PhD’67 (Chemistry), died June 18. Siva and his wife, Jeya, moved to Canada in 1963 so that Siva could pursue graduate studies in organic chemistry at Queen’s. Siva quickly became a regular supporter of the Queen’s Gaels football team, even bringing his infant daughter to the home games. Following a post-doctoral year, Siva started his career as a clinical chemist in Hamilton, Ont., first at Henderson General Hospital, and later at McMaster University Medical Centre, where he also held an appointment as an associate professor with the Department of Pathology. Over the years, he enjoyed photography as a hobby, participated in a South Indian literature/poetry writing group, and attended cultural events. Siva is survived by Jeya and their children Aruntha and Soori.

Barry Angus Smith, BSc’63, died Jan. 11. After he graduated from Chemical Engineering, Barry’s work took him many places. He retired as manager of research and development for LP Building Products in East



River, N.S. During his retirement, he became heavily involved with dog training. He was a member of the Canine Agility Association of Nova Scotia and

competed at the local, regional, and national levels. Barry is survived by Christine, his wife of 53 years, children Lesley, Lyndsey, and Geoffrey, Law’12, and extended family.



John David Smith, BSc’60, MSc’62, died at home in Kingston on July 23, a month shy of his 82nd birthday. He is survived by his wife, Betty Jean, and sons David,

Sc’88, Ian, Artsci’01, and Evan. After graduation, John spent his career consulting at mines all over the world. He specialized in rock mechanics and underground mine design and was known as one of the grandfathers of rock mechanics. Outside of his professional life, John was an avid golfer, bird watcher, hunter, and collector of antique furniture, tools, and golf clubs. Those who knew John might consider a donation in his name to the A.V. Corlett Memorial Bursary at Queen’s University. The bursary was established by students of Professor Corlett, a longtime head of the Department of Mining Engineering. The bursary is awarded on the basis of financial need and promising ability, the same criteria used by

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Professor Corlett to administer student funding provided to his department by the mining industry. (Queen's University, Commemorative Giving, 99 University Ave., Kingston, Ont., K7L 3N6. Please make cheques payable to Queen's University.)



Joseph "Mickey" Sole, MD'63, died Nov. 27, 2018, at the age of 80. Following graduation, he practised as a family physician in Hamilton, Ont., with his

father, Dr. Nicholas Sole. Mickey opened his own practice a few years later. With his wife, Rosslyn, he owned and operated Victoria Gardens Long Term Care in Hamilton. Mickey enjoyed sailing and spending time with his four grandchildren. Predeceased by Rosslyn, he is survived by his son Martin, daughter Debbie, and their spouses Julie and Rick.



William Roy Waddell Jr., MD'60, died Oct. 23, 2018, in Kingston in his 83rd year. Bill was predeceased by his parents, Jean-

nette and William Roy Waddell Sr., MD 1924. He is survived by Doris, his wife of nearly 60 years, children William, John, Martha, David, Artsci'89, and sister Martha. Bill was a proud Queen's alumnus, as were his father, two uncles, and countless cousins before him. Following his time at Queen's, Bill did his residency at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. After getting his certification in internal medicine (pulmonary disease) he managed the treatment of tuberculosis as director of chest clinics in Eastern Ontario. When the TB clinics closed, he started his second career with the Ministry of Labour as an occupational health consultant. Bill was grateful to his family and friends for their support in his last few years of failing health. He remained curious about the world about him until the day he died.

1970s

Family news



Congratulations to **Pam (Carson)**, Artsci'79, and **John Sheff**, Ed'78, who are celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary this August. They met at Queen's 42 years ago.

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In October, **Joan (Ratelle) Delaney**, Artsci'77, Ed'78, was elected councillor for the Township of Rideau Lakes. On the impetus to run for office, Joan says,

"This is a decision I made after teaching for 30 years and working on a number of political campaigns at all three levels of government." Joan's ward of South Crosby includes the Queen's University Biological Station (QUBS), No. 9 Gardens (a youth sustainability and reconciliation centre developed in partnership with Queen's and St. Lawrence College), and the historic Opinicon Resort. Joan lives on the Rideau waterway near QUBS at Chaffey's Lock with her husband, Bob Butcher. Friends may contact her at joan_delaney493@xplornet.com or through her Facebook page, "Joan On Council."



In October, **Brian Evoy**, Artsci'78, Ed'80, was elected as a trustee with the Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School

Board. Brian serves on three of the school board's committees: Social Justice, Catholic Character and Culture, and Catholic School Council Association.

Patricia Northcott, Artsci'75, and **Brian Speagle**, Artsci'79, invite Queen's friends to take a road trip to London, Ont., this August. Patricia is exhibiting her artwork at TAP Centre



for Creativity from Aug. 14 to 24. At the same time, and at the same location, Brian is directing a production of *The Woolgatherer*. Learn more at tapcreativity.org.

Deaths



Phil Alexander, BSc'72, died in January in British Columbia. Phil is remembered by his Civil Engineering classmates as one of the friend-

liest and most outgoing people in the class, always ready to offer a bright smile. Phil last came back to Queen's in 2017 for Sc'72's 45th anniversary; he had attended a number of previous Homecoming reunions.

James Bishop, BA'70 (MEd, Lakehead; MA, Theology, Winnipeg; PhD, Theology, North-West University, RSA), died Dec. 26, 2018, aged 89, in Kelowna, B.C. In 2012, Jim was predeceased by his loving wife, Joyce Marigold, BA'59, to whom he was married for more than 50 years. Jim is deeply missed by Lorraine Milton, his children Joe (Nola), Mari, Martin (Corinne), and Carol, Ed'90 (Doug Williams), and extended family. Jim was a teacher and school administrator for many years in Ontario and Florida in both elementary and secondary schools and in adult-education settings. He retired in 1986. A kind, thoughtful, youthful person, Jim was passionate about learning. He loved spending summers at the family camp with family and friends, entertaining everyone with his stories.



Harry Kristian Jarvlepp, LLB'79, died July 7, 2016. After working in banking, high tech, and as a sole practitioner lawyer,

Harry joined the legal team of the Province of Ontario where he remained for many years. There, he

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received the Excelsior Award of Excellence for Innovation in law. Harry was interested in classical music, fine art, ballet, opera, literature, travelling, music theory, and tennis.

Claire Jenkins, MEd'76, died March 13 in Burnaby, B.C. Claire is survived by Bill Jenkins, Arts'54, her husband of 62 years, three children, and extended family. Claire taught secondary school in Kirkland Lake, Ottawa, Toronto, and Kingston, ending her career as head of student services at LaSalle Secondary School in Kingston. Her exceptional empathy and understanding helped many a young person through their difficult teenage years. At Loyalist Collegiate in Kingston she was instrumental in developing an alternative school for students who found they couldn't learn in a structured school environment.

James Lightbody, PhD'77 (Political Studies), died Oct. 17, 2018. Jim is survived by his partner, Lisa Kline, two daughters, and extended family. Jim is remembered for his gentle, benevolent nature and quick wit. An expert on municipal government, Jim taught political science at the University of Alberta for 47 years. Throughout his illustrious career, Jim worked with, and garnered respect from, politicians of all political stripes. His innate ability to mentor the leaders of tomorrow will be deeply missed. In 2016, Jim was elected as a Fellow of the Royal Canadian Geographical Society – an honour in which he took great pride. But of all the many things in his life of which he was proud, Jim was always most proud of his parents, Olive and Dean, who took a chance with a baby they did not know.

Brian Malcolm, BA'71, died suddenly Nov. 15, 2018, after a short illness.

1980s

Job news

Dave Richardson, Artsci'86 (JD, Stanford), is now a partner at SulmeyerKupetz in Los Angeles. He specializes in corporate restructuring, commercial litigation, and appellate practice.

Notes

Ron Bohm, Artsci'80, has been elected president of the Ontario Trial Lawyers Association. Ron is senior litigation counsel at Blackburn Lawyers in Richmond Hill, Ont.



Ferg Devins, Artsci'84, past president of the Queen's University Alumni Association (1995), has taken on the role of volunteer chair of the board of directors for Bladder Cancer Canada. As a survivor of bladder cancer himself, Ferg is dedicating much of his time in "semi-retirement" to this important cause. More information on bladder cancer can be found at bladdercancer-canada.org. Ferg can be reached at ferg@thedevisnetwork.com. He hopes to see as many '84 grads as possible back for their 35th reunion in October. Ferg and Kathy (Copland), Com'85, live in Toronto in the winter and Kenora in the summer.

The Rev. Dr. **Paul Peters Derry**, Artsci'85 (MDiv, Vancouver; DMin, Chicago; STM, Winnipeg), was affirmed as a certified supervisor-educator with the Canadian Association for Spiritual Care with a view to offering clinical pastoral education internships at his new work site, Winnipeg's Victoria General Hospital. There he is the clinical service lead with Spiritual Health Services. In his "spare time," and as part of his self-care discipline, Paul also ran the Bon Secours Hospital Great Limerick six-mile run last May; he is now training to run in this year's Manitoba Half-Marathon.

After completing his BA at Queen's, **Mark A. Ware**, Artsci'86, moved back to Jamaica and completed medical training in 1992 (MBBS, UWI), dodging hurricanes and dengue along the

way. He picked up the research bug while working at the sickle cell disease unit in Kingston, Jamaica. This rapidly became a dual affliction for studying pain management and the medical potential of cannabis. After completing a master's degree in epidemiology at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine in 1999, Mark moved with his young family to Montreal, taking up a faculty position in Family Medicine at McGill and working in clinical pain management at the Montreal General Hospital. In 2016 he served as the vice-chair of the federal task force on the legalization and regulation of cannabis in Canada. In July 2018 he joined Canopy Growth Corporation, a licensed Canadian cannabis producer, as its chief medical officer.

1990s

Births

Tara Black, Artsci'99, and **Luke Schwalm**, Law'04, welcomed their third child, Samantha Ruby, on May 29, 2018. Samantha's middle name is in honour of her grandfather, Russell David Schwalm, who passed away in November 2017. Siblings Suzy and Cole are thrilled about the arrival of their baby sister. Amy Schwalm, Com'95, and Kristina Schwalm, Artsci'05, are also proud aunts!

Notes

In 2011, **Peter Istvan**, Artsci'91, MSc'93, PhD'97 (Physiology), co-founded Pedaling for Parkinson's, a three-day charity cycling event to raise awareness and research funds for Parkinson's disease. Over the last eight years, the event has raised \$1.7 million for Canadian researchers. In 2018, one of the researchers awarded funding by the Pedaling for Parkinson's Research Grant was Doug Munoz, professor at the Queen's Centre for Neuroscience Studies (and Peter's PhD supervisor). Doug is investigating how individuals with Parkinson's disease respond to medications that increase dopamine levels in the nervous system. While this type of medication can relieve many obvious symptoms of Parkinson's disease and restore motor

control, some people suffer from major swings in dopamine levels that generate entirely new problems, such as impulsive behaviour.

Andrew Suboch, Law '92, was appointed chair of the Justices of the Peace Appointments Advisory Committee (JPAAC) for a three-year term. The JPAAC is responsible for formulating and supervising the criteria and process for the selection of Justice of the Peace candidates for Ontario. Through this process, it provides a list of recommended Justice of the Peace candidates to the Attorney General for the Province of Ontario. Andrew runs a prominent personal injury practice in downtown Toronto. Among the associates of Suboch Law is Benjamin Witmer, Law'17. Andrew is counsel to the Mimico Minor Lacrosse Association and the Mimico Junior A Lacrosse Association.

Andrew Trickett, Com'95, has joined the board of directors of the N.Y. Police and Fire Widows' & Children's Benefit Fund, also known as Answer the Call. Andrew is a senior partner at

Safanad, an international investment management firm.



Jennifer Yau, Artsci'99 (Meds, Western), and some of her Queen's friends recently had a mini-reunion. Jennifer, **Bridget O'Beirne**, Artsci'96, Ed'97 (MEd, U of T), **Lisa Karp**, Sc'96 (MBA, York), and **Fiona Vance**, Artsci'96 (BJ, MA, Regina; LLB, Alberta), met as Queen's students of the French floor of Victoria Hall in the fall of 1992. In January, they took advantage of Lisa's work placement in North America to meet in Toronto for a weekend of laughter, tears, and gossip about life. Fiona is now the chief legal officer for the National Resources Conservation Board in Edmonton; Lisa is an associate director for S & P Global Ratings in Melbourne, Australia; Brid-

get teaches French immersion in the Peel Board of Education, and Jennifer is a family physician in Ottawa.

Deaths

Julie (Tyson) Dunnigan, BA'93, died Dec. 24 in Ottawa after a courageous battle with cancer. Julie is survived by her husband, Ed, children Connor and Thomas, and extended family. She is also fondly remembered by her many friends. Julie was able to attend her 25th anniversary reunion last fall at Queen's; she had a wonderful weekend catching up with her Queen's housemates.



Keith Gordon, BSc'95, died suddenly on Jan. 24. Keith worked for FM Global in Australia as a senior engineering specialist. He is survived by his wife, Vicki Robinson, and their sons Thomas and Patrick.

Craig John McTaggart, BA'92, died Nov. 26, 2018 of lung cancer at the age of 48, surrounded by his family.

Sue Bates has a connection to Queen's that reaches far back, as she puts it, "to before day one" – her parents met at Queen's. It is in memory of her mother, Katherine Bates (Arts'60), that Sue plans to donate to Queen's in her will. "Queen's has given me so much. When I thought about where my bequest should go, there wasn't any question."

Sue Bates, Artsci'91

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Craig is survived by his spouse, Kim Rogers, Artsci'92, and daughters Stella and Grace, as well as his parents and sisters. After graduating from History at Queen's, Craig went on to earn a Bachelor of Laws at the University of Western Ontario and his SJD in Law from U of T. Craig began his law career on Bay Street (at Fasken and McMillan Binch). He soon found a passion for internet and telecommunications law. He spent a year in Geneva at the International



Telecommunications Union, where he organized an international conference on IP telephony. Once back in Canada, and after securing his doctorate in

law, Craig landed what would become his dream job as a regulatory lawyer at TELUS in Ottawa. Craig loved to travel with Kim: they visited many countries in Europe, Australia, Southeast Asia, and his favourite spot in the world, Hawaii. Craig was an accomplished triathlete, completing both the Lake Placid and Mont Tremblant Iron Man races, as well as multiple 70.3 and Olympic distance races. Above all, Craig was a devoted husband and a wonderful father: Stella and Grace were the centre of his world. Craig is greatly missed by his family and his many friends. Queen's friends may send condolences and share their memories of Craig at www.kellyfh.ca.

2000S

Births



Kelly (Greensides), PT'06, and Mark Halls, PT'11, welcomed their first child, Owen, in July 2018.



Jennifer (Kerton-Dawson) McGrath, ConEd'00, and her husband, Terence, welcomed McGrath Baby #4 on Aug. 13, 2018.

Imogen Rose joins brothers Aidan, Nolan, and Declan in life and adventure. The McGrath family live in Barrie, Ont., where Jennifer is currently on mat leave from the Simcoe Country District School Board.

John Murnaghan, BFA'06, and Kelly O'Dette welcomed sons Emile Paul and Andre David on Jan. 8 in East



York, Ont. Kelly is the daughter of Brian O'Dette, Artsci'74, and granddaughter of the late Jack O'Dette, BSc'44. Emile and Andre have already been welcomed to the world by several other Queen's alumni, most notably their aunt Ann Marie Murnaghan, Artsci'03.

ASHLEY IRWIN

Honours

In February, **Michel Beaulieu, PhD'08 (History),** received the Distinguished Researcher Award from Lakehead University. This is the highest honour conferred by Lakehead for research and scholarly activity. Michel's work explores the historical, political, economic, and social issues relating to northern and remote communities in Canada and the circumpolar north.

Job news



Jackie Warden, Artsci'03, has taken on a new role, that of talent agent for the new child and youth division at the Ritter Talent

Agency in Toronto. Jackie and her two children have been acting on screen together for the past 15 years. Jackie can be reached at Jackie@RitterTalentAgency.com.

Notes

Jake Magolan, Artsci/PHE'01, MSc'02 (Chemistry) (PhD, Western), is an associate professor and the Boris Family Chair in Drug Discovery in the Department of Biochemistry and Biomedical Sciences at McMaster University. In 2017, when he was an assistant professor of chemistry at the University of Idaho, Jake gave a TEDxUIdaho talk about the beauty and accessibility of organic chemistry. In his talk, he says "Organic chemistry is not something to be afraid of. It is, at its core, a window through which the beauty of the natural world looks richer." A video of his talk was featured on the TED website as "A crash course in organic chemistry." The video has now garnered more than 1.4 million views in eight months. Watch it online: ted.com/talks/jakob_magolan_a_crash_course_in_organic_chemistry.



Alexi White, Artsci'09, and **Alvin Tedjo, Artsci'06,** are two of the creators of *Ontario Loud!*, a podcast about politics in Ontario. Former political advisers to the Wynne government, Alexi and Alvin

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In March, **Nick Adams, Artsci'04, Ed'05 (ACE),** a.k.a. "Splash", and **Taes Leavitt, Artsci'04,** a.k.a. "Boots," who perform together as Splash 'N Boots, won the Children's Album of the Year Juno award for their album "You, Me and the Sea." The musical duo met at Queen's at the Barefoot Players theatre troupe and created their first play as a class project. "You, Me and the Sea" is their 12th album. ■

Between the Sand



OWEN FERNLEY

A close-up of the pathways formed in the work "Between the Sand."

COLE VAN DE VEN never expected his work to appear in an art gallery. That's quite reasonable, as he's a PhD student in Civil Engineering, and his research is on contaminant hydrogeology.

But last year, his PhD supervisor, Kevin Mumford, invited the organization Art the Science into his Environmental Engineering lab in the Department of Civil Engineering to do a residency to help translate some of his research group's work for a new audience.

And so, in March, Mr. Van De Ven saw his research, both literally and figuratively, on the walls of the Modern Fuel Artist-Run Centre in Kingston.

Artist's statement

We are all living on the surface of a permeable planet. What goes up must come down, but perhaps more disconcerting is what goes in.

When chemicals like gasoline, creosote and PCBs are improperly disposed of or spilled, they leach into the ground and contaminate our soil and groundwater, spreading out below us in unseen ways. Pollution does not simply flow through the ground the way it does on the surface. It is under pressure, and moves through very small spaces. Understanding this movement can

be challenging and it leads to an important series of experiments designed to inform how we might model this movement in the future.

When sand is compressed between two panes of glass, intricate maze-like pathways are formed between each grain. This is the space between the sand. The resulting sections are only 14 grains deep, yet gases, fluids and pollutants move through them in many surprising and beautiful ways. Observing this movement provides scientists and engineers with the data they need to predict and prevent the spread of underground contamination, as well as develop technologies to clean it up.

Between the Sand is an interactive computer program that invites us to explore how our actions affect the ground beneath our feet. It builds a maze of pathways between grains of virtually generated sand. Initiated by the viewer, the maze is "solved" using Invasion Percolation, an algorithm used by Dr. Mumford's research group for following predetermined pathways. In Between the Sand, this algorithm is used to present a relationship between direct human action and our unseen subterranean environment. And with that, we can observe the unobservable.

■ Owen Fernley, Sc'01

Artist and creative coder, Art the Science

Visit the interactive artwork online at artthescience.com/polyfield-gallery/between-the-sand/

draw on this experience as they analyze current political topics. Listen online: ontarioloud.ca.

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Births

Dana (Kittle) Luckey, Artsci'10, and her husband, William, welcomed Oliver James in May 2018.

Commitments



In July 2018, **Jesse Garcia**, Law'16, and **Katie Ling**, Law'17, were married in the Queen's Law moot courtroom. It was the first of three ceremonies, a civil ceremony at Queen's (the first-ever wedding in the law building), a Chinese tea ceremony, and a casual ceremony with reception in Tobermory (where fellow grad Mark Asfar, Artsci'14, Law'17, officiated). Katie writes, "Jesse and I met at Collins Bay Penitentiary through a Queen's Law tour, and have been together ever since. We decided to get married in the moot courtroom because the first two years of our relationship were spent together at Queen's Law. Justice Cheryl Robertson, our dear friend and mentor, officiated. It was perfect." Katie, Jesse, and their new

puppy Echo have recently moved from Toronto to Waterloo to start their new firm, LG Law Group.

Family news



In May last year, proud moms **Tanya Abrams** and **Yuka Okada** were at convocation as their kids, **James Abrams** and **Nea Okada**, graduated with bachelor of science degrees in biology. And then in November, both James and Nea returned to campus to watch their moms, Tanya and Yuka, graduate from the master of science (aging and health) program.



Honours



In April, **Curtis Carmichael**, PHE'16, was inducted into the City of Toronto Sport Hall of Honour, receiving the City of Toronto Spirit of Sport Diversity and Inclusion

Award. In 2017, Curtis bicycled across Canada to raise money for UrbanPromise, a non-profit organization dedicated to raising young leaders from Toronto Community Housing. During his journey, he visited 30 cities and delivered presentations on systemic racism and stigma faced by those who occupy social housing in Canada. Curtis played for the Queen's Gaels football team from 2012 to 2016, becoming the team's starting receiver in 2016. In 2015, he was awarded the CIS Russ Jackson award, which recognizes excellence in football, academics, and citizenship. Curtis is now a keynote speaker and educator. Learn more about his work: curtiscarmichael.ca.

Job news



Srinagesh Vitthanala, MBA'15, is now CEO of Bright Funds, a hosted technology platform for workplace philanthropy, volunteerism, and grants management. Bright Funds partners with companies to power their social good programs. Previously, Sri was the chief technology officer and chief product officer for the San Francisco-based company.

Notes

Brandon Macpherson, Artsci'15, recently received his MFA degree from the Actors Studio Drama School at Pace University in New York.

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Calgary

Annual dinner

Kim Sturgess, Sc'77, DSc'16, hosts the 29th annual dinner for the Calgary Queen's community on June 20. This year's theme is "Wear your tricolour proudly!"

Toronto

MBA Connect

This annual networking event for Queen's MBA alumni returns to Steam Whistle Brewing's Roundhouse on June 18.

Kingston

Branch open house

Learn more about the Kingston Branch – and how you can get involved – at its annual open house on Aug. 21.

U.S.

Boston

Canadian alumni at the Jays game

On July 17, members of the Boston Branch head out to Fenway Park with alumni from McGill and U of T. Tickets are available online until June 17 or until sold out.

International

Germany

Annual Germany Branch gathering

Alumni, family, and friends of Queen's living in Germany (or just visiting) can join the branch to tour Aachen on the weekend of Sept. 20–22. Special hotel rates available at IBIS Aachen Marschiertor Hotel.

London, U.K.

Rembrandt: Thinking on Paper

On May 31, join exhibition curator Olenka Horbatsch, MA'10 (Art History), for a tour of the Rembrandt exhibition in the British Museum's Prints and Drawing Gallery, followed by a social at Truckles Wine Bar.

Herstmonceux Castle

BISC 25th reunion

Alumni and friends of the castle are invited to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Bader International Study Centre on June 29 – 30. Join us for the full weekend, the reunion celebrations on Saturday, or Canada Day celebrations on Sunday.

New branch presidents

The QUAA extends a warm welcome to the following new branch presidents:

Kimberley Molina, Artsci'07 (Ottawa)
Raili Lakanen, Artsci'09 (Sudbury)
Heather Murdock, Sc'12 (Vancouver)

Outgoing branch presidents

The QUAA would like to thank retiring branch presidents for their dedication and service to their fellow Queen's alumni:

Don Duval, Artsci'99 (Sudbury)
Shant Epreman, MBA'08 (South Florida)
Yusuf Kappaya, Artsci'08 (Honduras)
Allan McGavin, Com'08, Law'12 (Vancouver)
Nicole Vreugdenhil, Artsci/PHE'04 (Belgium)

Branch award nominations

Nominations are now open for the Ottawa Branch's signature award, the Agnes Benidickson Award, presented for service to Queen's, Ottawa, and Canada. Submit your nomination online before Oct. 20 at queensu.ca/alumni/agnes-benidickson-award



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Finding their way home

I remember sitting at Callum's bedside wondering how I would interact with patients and families when the end of life was near, being in that place now myself. I thought of how my career as an ER doctor and medical educator was forever altered. I thought of the humanity in caring for people and facing grief together. I knew then that surviving Callum's death and grieving my son would have a profound impact on my path as a doctor and teacher. Not knowing what lay ahead in my medical practice, I promised myself and Callum that I would choose to be brave. I would have courage to stand silently with families, to be present and vulnerable and not shy away from speaking the honest truth.

In 2006, Damon Dagnone was a resident in Emergency Medicine at Queen's, husband to Trisha, and father of Thai and Callum. That year, his family's world was turned upside-down when two-year-old Callum was diagnosed with a brain tumour.

So there it was. We would be forced to watch our Callum suffer tremendous amounts of discomfort, nausea, and pain to give him a chance at living. Each month would be harder than the previous one, and each month would mean more danger, pain, and struggle just for Callum to stay alive. We would all do this in attempt to prevent the cancer from coming back. It was made very clear. There was no other option, no other path to take. This was what we were about to face together.

In *Finding our way home: a family's story of life, love, and loss*, Dr. Dagnone takes the reader through his family's heart-wrenching experience, from Callum's diagnosis, months of treatment, and then

his death. And it continues afterwards, to explore each family member's journey, alone and together, to work through grief and find joy again.

At the centre of it... have been our children, our marriage, and our intrinsic selves. From the beginning, nothing mattered more to us than our kids and each other. Everything started with thinking about what our kids needed, whether it was while Callum was in the hospital or those first few days, weeks, and months with Thai after Callum died or the times when Mae wanted to know about her second big brother in Heaven. Our first priority was to take care of our children as best we could and guide them through their own grief. The second priority was looking after each other, and the third, looking after our own individual selves. These priorities, I think, in this order, are what defined our journey.

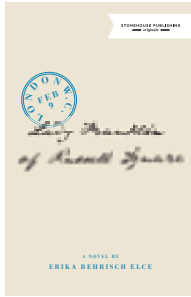
"Since publishing my book, many people have asked me why I would want to write about my family's very personal struggle," says Dr. Dagnone. "The answer is 'For many reasons.' Most importantly, Trisha and I feel we have a story to tell about our journey. It is a story full of grief, joy, pain, love, life, loss, and laughter. After sharing parts of our story with many people over the last 12 years, we felt it was time to share much more of it with others. By revealing some of the unspoken truths of loss, sharing an insider's view of the hospital system, and drawing on the power of love within our own marriage, we hope that sharing our journey might resonate with others regarding their own grief. As well, our story celebrates the complexity and resilience of the human spirit. It is an honest account of our imperfect struggle to function and find joy again." ■



Damon Dagnone, Artsci'96, PHE'97, MSc'98, is an ER physician and associate professor in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Queen's. *Finding our way home* is his first book.

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It is spring 1847, and Lady Franklin is back in London expecting to greet her hero husband, polar explorer Sir John Franklin, upon his triumphant return from the Northwest Passage. But as weeks turn to months, she reluctantly grows into her public role of Franklin's steadfast wife, the "Penelope of England." In this novel that imagines a rich interior life of one of Victorian England's most intriguing women, the boundaries of friendship, propriety, and love are bound to collide.



Erika Behrisch Elce, MA'97 (English), PhD'02, is the author of *Lady Franklin of Russell Square*. Dr. Behrisch Elce is an associate professor in the English department at the Royal Military College of Canada, where she teaches Victorian literature and culture. She focuses her research on exploration and the Royal Navy in the 19th century. Her scholarly edition of Lady Franklin's writing, *As affecting the fate of my absent husband*, was published by McGill-Queen's University Press in 2009. This is her first novel.

John W. Berry, Professor Emeritus (Psychology), is the editor of one new book and the co-author of another. In the first, *Mutual Intercultural Relations* (Cambridge University Press), the authors explore intercultural relationships between dominant/national and non-dominant/ethnic populations in 17 societies around the world. They have charted the respective views of those populations and generated "universal" principles of intercultural relations. Understanding these general principles will offer help in the development of public policies and programs designed to improve the quality of intercultural relations in culturally diverse societies around the world. Dr. Berry's second book, *Ecology, Culture and Human Development: Lessons for Adivasi Education*, is based on a longstanding program of work with Indigenous Peoples in India with his co-author Ramesh C. Mishra, Professor Emeritus (Psychology) at Banaras Hindu University in Varanasi.

Samuel Hawley, Artsci'84, MA'86 (History), is the author of *Ultimate Speed: the Fast Life and Extreme Cars of Racing Legend Craig Breedlove*. An L.A. hot-rodder with a high-school education, a family to support, and almost no money, Craig Breedlove set out in the late 1950s to do something big: harness the thrust of a jet in a car. The car's name was "Spirit of America" and with it, Craig broke the land speed record on the Bonneville Salt Flats, setting a new mark of 407 miles per hour in 1963. He went on to break the land speed record five times. In the early 1970s he turned to rockets and set an acceleration record at Bonneville that stands to this day. Even

today, at the age of 80, he is going strong with plans for yet another "Spirit of America" racer. The ultimate goal: 1,000 miles per hour.



Kathy Myers Krogh, Arts'62, has published *The Professor and the Pilots: Letters Home from Wartime London by a Canadian Psychologist*. C. Roger Myers was a young psychology professor at U of T who appointed as adviser to the RAF on methods of pilot selection and training. His research at air bases in the U.K. and North America significantly contributed to the reduction of the loss of pilots and planes. Many letters illuminate his struggle with fatigue and loneliness, missing his young family in Canada, while humour and satire shine through others. Professor Myers was an entertaining storyteller and keen observer of daily life in Britain. He describes his frustration with the traditionalist approach of the RAF and the eccentricities of his senior colleague. Myers' account is enhanced by letters from his wife, Helen, who, like many women during wartime, did not expect to sign up to be a single parent.



Katherine Ann Roberts, PhD'00 (French), is the author of *West/Border/Road: Nation and Genre in Contemporary Canadian Narrative* (McGill-Queen's University Press). The book offers an interdisciplinary analysis of contemporary Canadian manifestations of three American genres: the western, the border, and the road. The author elucidates Guy Vanderhaeghe's rewriting of the codes of the historical western to include the trauma of Aboriginal peoples, the politics and perils of the representation of the Canada-U.S. border in CBC-produced crime television, and how the road genre inspires and constrains the Québécois and Canadian road movie. Dr. Roberts is an associate professor in the Department of Languages and Literatures and coordinator of the North American Studies program at Wilfrid Laurier University.

Jeff Young, Sc'80, is the co-author of *The Portage Railway: An Illustrated History of the Huntsville and Lake of Bays Railway*. The railway, which ran from 1905 to 1959, was just a mile and a half long, and was promoted as "the smallest commercially operated railway in the world." The charming narrow-gauge railway connected two steamboat routes carrying tourists, supplies, and lumber. Mr. Young tells the story of this unique part of Ontario history. The book is available through The Credit Valley Railway Company: cvrco.ca.

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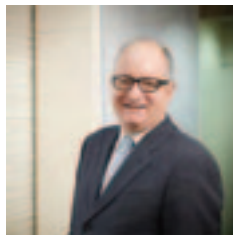
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Volunteer members of Alumni Assembly and Queen's staff at the recent Alumni Volunteer Summit on campus

Bringing volunteers together

Our volunteers have an important role to play in building up the strength of the Queen's alumni community. In 2018, we had more than 350 volunteer leaders engage more than 4,600 alumni, both during Homecoming and across our 41 branches internationally. The Queen's alumni network continues to be one of the elements that makes Queen's University special.

There are a number of ways in which alumni can get involved with the Queen's University Alumni Association. Branches and reunions are always looking for more volunteer support. Also, if you were involved in a club or team as a student, why not reach out to that group and see how you can help support its current activities. There are opportunities elsewhere, including as a volunteer with your faculty and with the University Council, Senate, and Board of Trustees. If you are interested in getting more involved and want to find the opportunity that syncs with your interests, please email the QUAA board at quaa.board@queensu.ca. We can help connect you with your next volunteer opportunity.

In April, we brought volunteer leaders back to Kingston for the annual Alumni Volunteer Summit (AVS). AVS helps to foster discussions and encourage collaboration among our volunteer leaders. We have seen some great partnerships recently,

for instance, with the Queen's Black Alumni Chapter and reunion events during Homecoming; and among branch volunteers with booster club supporters and reunion coordinators.

With all these opportunities for alumni to support and guide Queen's activities, the QUAA board wants to create a strong alumni-advocate community. Alumni Assembly, the voting body for the QUAA, is the platform through which our most active volunteer leaders across our seven constituencies can collaborate. Going forward, Alumni Assembly volunteers will continue to strive to engage our alumni family in all its diversity.

The Queen's community is a supportive one that can help you, too. Be sure to join the Queen's Connects group on LinkedIn: it's an online community that provides value to alumni by enabling them both to connect with mentors and to share industry insights and job opportunities with fellow alumni.

Thank you to all our alumni volunteers for your hard work. Our community is special because of the effort you put in to it.

■ **Jeremy Mosher**, Artsci'08
Volunteer President
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