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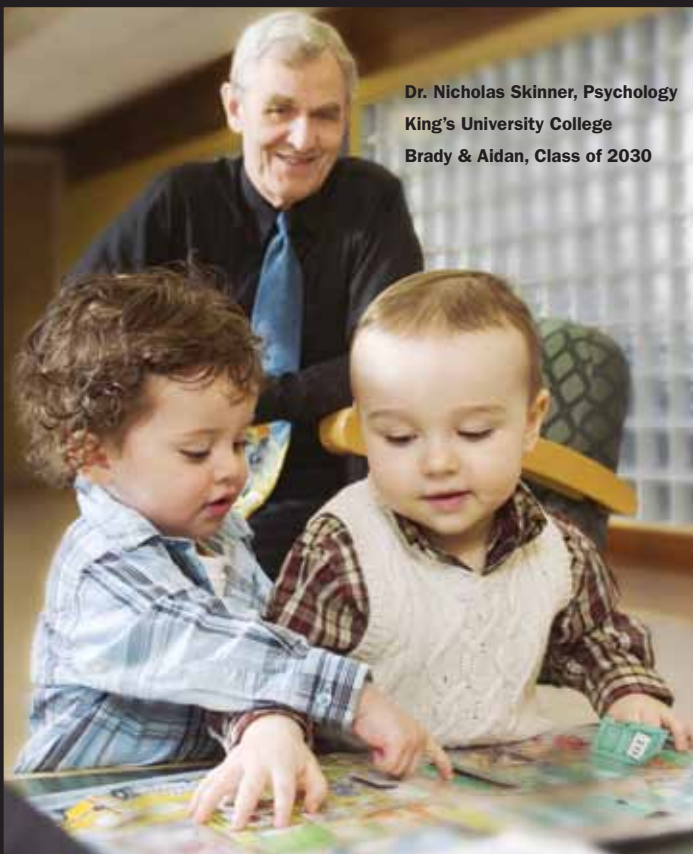
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The winner of the iPod Touch is Christopher Buccella '08

Chris submitted his address update online at www.kings.uwo.ca/alumni to win the iPod touch. Keep us informed for your chance to win! The next draw is December 1, 2010.





Senior Administration team at King's. From left to right around the table: David Sylvester, Erin Lawson, Des Dutrizac, Michael Bechard, Barbara Decker Pierce, Jeff Major, Tom Jory, Marilyn Mason, Mary Carol Watters, Sauro Camiletti, Michael Tattersall and Claire Callaghan. Not present in photo: Veronika Elsie

The Editor Writes

Erin Lawson

I invite you to come back for Homecoming. Returning to King's means different things to different people. Sometimes it is about the physical place; checking out the halls of the Wemple Building, searching for the old library or checking out the new one. Perhaps it is about the memories; leafing through yearbooks or listening to musicians that entertained you: the Dunn family, Mike Lawless, Paula Perri, John Regan or Rick McGhie. It can be about reconnecting with old friends and making some new ones or enjoying a discussion with the professors and staff who inspired, helped and guided you. Five years later or forty years later, you can pick up a conversation with the professor that helped shape the way you see the world. Please check out page 26 for more information on Homecoming and let us know the events you plan to attend. We will have special King's anniversary pins for all those whose graduation year ends in 0 or 5.

We are looking forward to a wonderful celebration over brunch on the Saturday of Homecoming weekend, when we recognize our Alumni Award of Distinction recipient, Professor Paul Webb '66. Most of you know Professor Webb as an engaging and entertaining history professor at King's. Many of you are also aware that he was King's Director of the Alumni Association for 15 years and was responsible for the development of the Herald alumni magazine, and some of the best Homecomings and chapter events on record! Not many people realize that Paul also helped shaped the profession of Alumni Affairs in Canada through his roles with the Association of Canadian Alumni Administrators and the Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education. Congratulations Professor Webb!

I hope you enjoy this issue of the King's Herald. It has been a real treat for all of us as we explore the many paths our alumni have followed and the diverse answers we get to the question: "What did you do with your liberal arts degree!"

King's Around the World

King's Student chosen as the Mission Leader of Canada Youth Trade Commission to Ecuador

In April 2010, King's University College announced that student Sandra Cobena was the Mission Leader of a Canada Youth Trade Commission to Ecuador. As a result of her work there, she returned to Ecuador (where she was born and still has family) to do some work for King's and has since initiated a number of relationships with Ecuatorian universities and high schools. The first relationship to be formalized in an agreement is with Universidad De Especialidades Espiritu Santo (UEES) in Guayaquil, Ecuador – a Catholic University that shares the mission and values, as well as the academic orientation, of King's.

The individuals in the photo are: Dylan Carr, Youth Delegate, Canada Junior Trade Commission, Chris O'Connor Director, Center for International Education, UEES, Sandra Cobena, Mission Leader, Canada Junior Trade Commission and King's student, Nancy Hilgert, Director of Environment Sciences, UEES, Sonja Janousek, CIDA Project Consultant





King's Around the World

Emerging Leaders of the Americas Program

Brazilian students Kateline Ketne Daltoe and Nill Cademartori Barbosa received scholarships through the Emerging Leaders in the Americas Program (ELAP), a government funded initiative, to study at King's University College during the 2010 winter term. Both students attend King's partner universities in Brazil; Kateline attends Pontificia Universidade Catholica do Rio de Janeiro (PUC-Rio) and Nill attends Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul (UFRGS). Kateline and Nill joined King's exchange and international students on an educational tour of Quebec City, Montreal and Ottawa during Reading Week in February 2010.

The Centre for Jewish Catholic Muslim learning

The Centre for Jewish Catholic Learning, an organization established to improve Catholic-Jewish relations at King's University College in London, changed its name to the Centre for Jewish Catholic Muslim Learning (CJCML) this year. While the organization has been operating since 2004, the Centre extended its efforts to promote positive interfaith dialogue to Islam this spring.



Fr. Michael Bechard, chairman of CJCML, said the organization has always wanted to include Muslims but felt that greater

dialogue with the Muslim community was needed before this could take place. The decision was not without controversy, however. Some felt that including Islam would undermine the organization's original purpose of facilitating dialogue between Christians and Jews.

Marty Rotenberg, the organization's Jewish representative, feels that the inclusion of Islam will improve the relationship between Jews and Muslims. Itsham Yousaf, the organization's Muslim representative agrees, saying that inter-religious dialogue is in keeping with Islam.

Whatever projects are tackled, Fr. Michael Bechard says the CJCML will strive for unity and dialogue between the three faiths. "We are all God's children and share in the initial covenant God made with Abraham," said Bechard. "It's part of our mission as a Catholic community at King's University College to celebrate the rich diversity of faiths that different people bring here. (We) desire to (show) how faith creates a forum for peace and justice."

King's Around the World

Welcome Li Ying (Sarah Li)

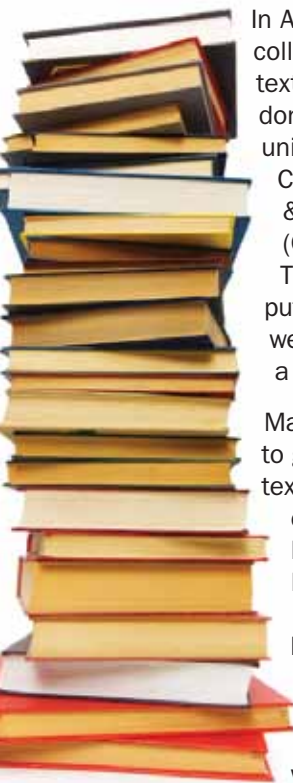
Sarah was born and raised in China. In September 2003, she enrolled in the "2+2 Program" jointly offered by the School of International Business at Dongbei University of Finance and Economics (DUFE) and King's University College. Students enrolled in the 2+2 Program spend two years at DUFE and two years at King's.

Sarah graduated in June 2007, receiving an Honors Double Major Degree in Finance and Economics from King's and Western, as well as an Honors Bachelors Degree in Economics from DUFE.

In 2009/10 she assisted King's with the Business Simulation Exercise (BSE) initiative directed towards key China high schools. In April 2010 Sarah joined GrokChina. Her primary responsibilities are to assist King's with its Asia initiatives. GrokChina specializes in reaching Chinese youth through China's education system. Welcome, Sarah!

King's Around the World

Books donated to China University



In April 2010, the collection of 674 textbooks that King's donated to our China university partner, Chongqing Technology & Business University (CTBU), arrived safely. The books were quickly put on the shelves and were being used within a matter of days.

Many people contributed to getting these textbooks to their final destination in China.

First are the many King's faculty and staff who donated books. Each donated book features a bookplate on the inside front cover with the King's logo and the name of the person or company who donated the book.

The following people and organizations made a special and concerted contribution beyond that of donating the books:

- Darryl King '97 and Luisa Goverde at Logikor for assisting with the shipping arrangements.
- King's International Work Experience (IWE) students – Qing Yu (Amy) and Chang Liu
- Rotary Club of London
- Goodwill Industries
- Bill Todd at Pearson Education

The first people to benefit from this initiative will be the 55+ students currently in the CTBU/KUC 2+2 program and who will arrive at King's either this September or September 2011.

Faculty News

NEWS & NOTES:

Dr. Kathryn Kopinak, Department of Sociology, has been awarded a research grant of \$69,942 by the International Opportunities Fund of the Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada. The title of the project is "The Role of the Maquiladora Industry and Gender in Labour Migration from Morocco to Spain and Mexico to the US: A Comparative Study".

Dr. Benjamin J. Muller recently published his book *Security, Risk, and the Biometric State: Governing Borders and Bodies*, which will appear in paperback in February 2011. Dr. Muller will present a paper related to his book and general research on border security at the SGIR conference in Stockholm, Sweden in September 2010.

Dr. Muller has also been invited by the Border Studies program at the University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, in October 2010 to give a guest lecture on contemporary border security. He has 2 articles forthcoming in the journal *Geopolitics* later this year.

Dr. Paul Werstine elected to the Royal Society of Canada



The King's Community is pleased to announce that Dr. Paul Werstine '70, professor in the Department of Modern Languages, was elected to the Division of Humanities of the Academy of the Arts and Humanities of the Royal Society of Canada (RSC). Every year, distinguished scholars and artists are elected to the Fellowship on the basis of their exceptional contributions to Canadian intellectual life.

RSC: The Academies of Arts, Humanities and Sciences of Canada is the senior national body of distinguished Canadian scholars, artists and scientists. It is Canada's national academy. The primary objective of the RSC is to promote learning and research in the arts and sciences. The RSC consists of nearly 2000 Fellows, men and women who are selected by their peers for outstanding contributions to the natural and social sciences, in the arts and in the humanities.

Congratulations Dr. Werstine on this prestigious recognition!

King's University College Award for Excellence in Teaching



This year's King's University College Award for Excellence in Teaching was given to Dr. Laura Melnyk.

Dr. Melnyk is an Associate Professor in the Department of Psychology with research interests in forensic developmental psychology, children's memory and suggestibility, eyewitness memory, and face recognition in line-ups.

Dr. Melnyk completed her honours BA at McMaster University in 1995 and earned her PhD from McGill University in 2002.

Dr. Melnyk began as a lecturer at The University of Western Ontario while completing her dissertation and was hired as an Assistant Professor at King's in 2002. She was promoted to Associate Professor in 2007.

In her first year of teaching, Dr. Melnyk was awarded The Bank of Nova Scotia, The University of Western Ontario Alumni Association and The University Students' Council Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching. She is annually named to the Dean's Honor Roll of Teaching Excellence at King's.

What is your teaching style?

I strive to inspire and nurture a love of learning. My lectures are continuously revised and updated, peppered with demonstrations,

video clips and discussions that directly relate to recently-published findings or current cases.

I challenge students to develop the critical thinking skills that they will use beyond the classroom. I design assignments and test questions that challenge my students to go beyond memorizing basic facts by involving them in asking questions, applying research, and interpreting findings. In many ways, I view myself as an ambassador for psychology, engaging students by making psychological research understandable, accessible, and pertinent.

What does it mean to you to win the award?

It is a great honour to be recognized by students and my peers, especially given the high calibre of the faculty here at King's.

Quotes from Laura's students:

Brianna Steeper, 4th Year Honors Specialization in Psychology and a minor in Criminology:

Finding a professor like Laura Melnyk is oftentimes a rarity in the postsecondary community. She is truly passionate about the topics covered in her lectures. Laura has the remarkable ability to hold a student's undivided attention for an entire three hour lecture, even making students laugh with her jokes or getting them involved in one of her demonstrations. She brings out the best in her students, motivating them to go above and beyond their own expectations. Laura has sparked my interest in

areas of psychology I had previously dismissed, such as cognitive psychology. I consider myself very lucky to have been taught by Laura not once, but twice during my undergraduate career. I can't think of a professor more deserving of this award than Professor Melnyk. I know she will continue to challenge and inspire her students to strive for their own personal best and surpass all expectations

Sebastian Dys, 4th Year Honors Psychology:

Dr. Melnyk is an exceptional professor due to her engaging lecture style and willingness to help students with matters inside and outside of the classroom. With her energy and enthusiasm Dr. Melnyk creates an enjoyable environment but does not compromise the academic integrity of her courses. My experience working with her is exactly what I had hoped for when I decided to come to King's and I'm very happy her efforts have been recognized!

Stephanie Carmela Buono, 4th Year Psychology:

Dr. Melnyk is such an engaging professor because she has an infectious passion for both her students and for what she teaches. Her lectures are interesting and relatable and she makes herself easily available for her students; she makes it clear that she wants her students to succeed. She has motivated me to take my academic performance to a higher level and she is someone I hold in high esteem. All in all; she is a very admirable woman.

Social Networking

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

Dr. Ken Gordon is retiring after 30 years in the School of Social Work. Ken was Director of the School for many years and was instrumental in establishing the Master of Social Work (MSW) program. He made significant contributions in group work education and has been an avid supporter of the John Howard Society, Big Brothers and United Way. Together with Professors Nick Skinner and Phil Mueller, Ken created the Student Evaluation of Teaching (SET) form that is still being used at King's. Ken acknowledges that this may be considered a dubious honour by some people! At June convocation, Ken was awarded Professor



Emeritus distinction and he will continue to teach part-time in the School of Social Work.

Ken has impressed us all by “living on the edge” – skydiving to celebrate his 50th birthday, and winning the Showcase Showdown on the Price is Right! We can only speculate what adventures retirement will bring!?!



Did You Know....

The Master of Social Work program underwent two extensive reviews this year that included self-study reports, site visits and input from stakeholders. Both the Ontario Council of Graduate Studies (OCGS) and the Canadian Association of Social Work Education (CASWE) gave the highest possible commendations regarding the program.

Thanks to the King's administrators, faculty, community partners, and MSW students who participated!

Social Work Week 2010

The School of Social Work celebrated Social Work Week with a series of events directed toward the theme of *Poverty: Social Workers Can Make a Difference*. The week concluded with a Professional Development Day entitled *Poverty: Voices Across the Lifespan*, cosponsored by The School of Social Work, Ontario Association of Social Workers—Western Branch and the Association of Social Work Field Practice Educators. Professor Emeritus Marvyn Novick from Ryerson University provided an inspirational keynote address linking clinical and community practice. Dr. Allan Irving moderated a panel of agency representatives that included King's graduates Heather Barclay and Trevor Johnson.

Save the Date:

Social Work Research Day – October 22, 2010: Join us in celebrating research in the Social Work community. Dr. Helen Buckley, Trinity College Dublin, will be our first international keynote speaker. Members of faculty, students, staff and researchers in all disciplines are invited to submit an abstract to present. Go to www.kings.uwo.ca/researchday for more information!

Social Work Week – March 7-13, 2011: Details to follow – please check our website www.kings.uwo.ca/swweek

Dr. Rick Csiernik, Dr. Rachel Birnbaum and **Dr. Barbara Decker Pierce** are looking forward to the release this summer of their recently published Social Work research methods textbook: Csiernik, R., Birnbaum, R. & Decker Pierce, B. (2010). *Practicing Social Work Research: Case Studies for Learning*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Dr. Rick Csiernik has several recent publications including: Csiernik, R. & Rowe, W.S. (2010). *Responding to the Oppression of Addiction: Canadian Social Work Perspectives, second edition*. Toronto: Canadian Scholars Press; Mulvihill, D., Ford-Gilboe, M. & Csiernik, R. (2010). *Women, Trauma & Addiction*. Saarbrücken, Germany: Lambert Academic Publishing.

Dr. Judith Dunlop conducted research with London Police Services on hate crimes in London, Ontario in 2008 and 2009. She is presenting *Racially Motivated Hate Crimes: Community Responses in Canada* at the 10th International Conference on Diversity in Organisations, Communities and Nations on July 19, 2010 in Belfast, Ireland.

Professor Dermot Hurley has been researching resilience in child protection practitioners in Canada, Argentina and Ireland. He has presented his findings at several lectures in Ireland and Canada and has a publication in press: Hurley D., & Alvarez, L (2010) *From the Zone of Risk to the Zone of Resilience: Child Protection Practice in Argentina*. Publication de Universidad De Ciencias

Empresariales Y Sociales, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Professor Hurley provided a keynote address at the Canadian Conference on Collaborative Mental Health Care, 11th Annual meeting sponsored by the Canadian Psychiatric Association & The College of Family Physicians of Canada held in Winnipeg in May.

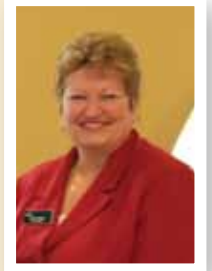
Dr. Laura Lewis was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure on July 1, 2010. Dr. Lewis is the Chair of the Social Work Research Day committee. Her research interests include short-term individual counselling interventions from a psycho-dynamic perspective for adult populations; bereavement and loss counselling and research; interventions/groups with abused women (physical & sexual); trauma; and feminist Social Work practice.

Dr. Claude Olivier has recently published a book chapter on *Operationalizing Structural Social Work Theory* and a journal article on *Enhancing Confidentiality within Small Groups*. He has also recently completed a study on factors that influence the social interaction between international and domestic university students.

Dr. Dora Tam was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure on July 1, 2010. Her research interests include violence against women issues; diversity issues in Social Work practice and research; Social Work education and field education; research methods; program evaluation and scale development.

In Memory of Mary Lou Karley

The social work community was deeply saddened by the loss of Mary Lou Karley in 2009. Mary Lou was Coordinator of Field Instruction in the School of Social Work from 1999 until her sudden death as a result of illness.



The School of Social Work has established The Mary Lou Karley Award for Excellence in Social Work Practice in recognition of her longstanding commitment to excellence in social work practice. This award will be given annually to a graduating MSW student, chosen by the School of Social Work, who has demonstrated qualities of leadership and commitment that promise future professional excellence. The award is made available through the Mary Lou Karley Memorial Fund created by generous gifts from family members, friends and colleagues.

If you would like to support the award by making a donation to the Mary Lou Karley Memorial Fund, please contact the King's Foundation office at kcfoundation@uwo.ca.

From the Principal's Desk

By Dr. David Sylvester

Education for the New Millennium

While its origins are definitely 'old school', the benefits of a liberal arts education have never been more relevant for young women and men living and working in the 21st century. For the ancients and then the medievals, the liberal arts were nothing less than the tools of the free man and woman. An educated mind was slave to none, and the ability to think critically, to communicate effectively and to learn throughout a lifetime were characteristics prized above all others.

In today's world, the liberal arts are often maligned in the media; rather surprising when you think that graduates today must anticipate multiple careers in an evolving global economy. The very idea of a university is to provide students with the ability to read the signs of the times and respond in proactive and meaningful ways; in other words, to be masters of their own destiny as well as agents for good.

You've heard me say this before: one of the very best parts of being principal of King's is the great privilege of meeting with alumni here in London and across the country. I am inspired by their stories, their disparate journeys since leaving King's and the myriad ways in which they are giving back to their communities. And not surprising, many of them, many of you, personify the professional accomplishments we expect from our liberal arts grads: history and philosophy alumni who run our nation's financial institutions, not-for-profits and school boards; political scientists and literature graduates who head up law firms, newspapers, and IT companies. Among the many remarkable King's alumni I have met, I recall the history grad, now a distinguished international banking executive, who has established several significant scholarships for King's students pursuing studies in philosophy. I've spoken with our grad from the 70s, now a PhD in psychology, who was an architect of one of the most innovative social policy initiatives in North America, the four pillars drug prevention program in Vancouver. And in this issue of the *Herald*, you'll read about three King's alumni who have distinguished themselves by their initiatives in business, environmental journalism and the arts.

Their stories reflect those of many of our graduates over the years. At King's we are proud to educate men and women who think for themselves and who make a difference. I think you'll agree, some things never go out of style.

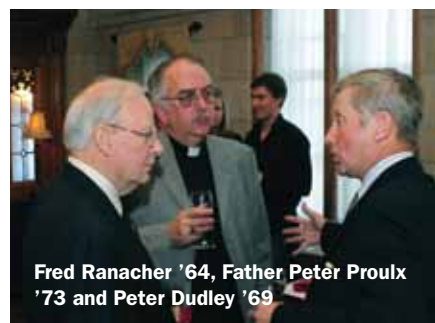


David Sylvester, May 2010, Chambers of the Speaker of the Senate, Ottawa Alumni Event

Event Recap

Ottawa Alumni Event in Senate Chambers

On May 12, 2010, Ottawa area alumni attended a reception in The Honourable Noel A. Kinsella, Speaker of the Senate's chambers. Ed Holder, MP London West, was on hand to host the group and talked about the importance of the education sector for the individual as well as the broader community.



Fred Ranacher '64, Father Peter Proulx '73 and Peter Dudley '69



Bill McCloskey '65, Richard Dixon '78, Moira White '77 and Thomas Leslie (Les) White



Jack and Rosie, children of James Sbrolla '90 and Ann Tavares '91



Brittany Garrard, Paul Di Libero and David Fisher

Toronto Chapter Family Barbecue

On May 15, 2010, Toronto area alumni enjoyed a barbecue picnic in High Park. Despite some cool weather, about 30 alumni, friends and family members enjoyed lunch, games, face painting and catching up with old friends. Many stories were shared of times gone by, as each alumni cohort recalled what was happening on campus when they were students.

Calgary Chapter Event – May 17, 2010

Calgary area alumni welcomed Dr. David Sylvester to the King's community at a reception hosted by Jim Conroy '67 at the Calgary Petroleum Club. This is the third time King's alumni have visited the Petroleum Club, and it only seems to get better. The event was also a welcoming reception for one alumnus who had just moved from London to Calgary – what a great way to start life in a new city!

London Alumni Reception

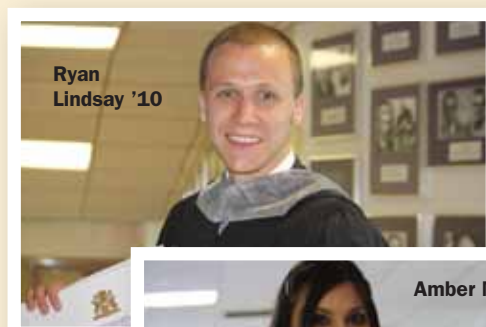
On June 3, 2010, alumnus and faculty member, John Liston '66 and Elaine Liston, hosted London area alumni in their home on Fanshawe Lake. Guests enjoyed the relaxing, cottage-like setting of the Liston's beautiful historic home. David Sylvester made remarks about King's past and future and thanked John and Elaine for their hospitality and support of the King's community.



Pat Dunne, Leanne Perreault '82 and Allyson Larkin

Spring Convocation – June 15, 2010

The Alumni Association welcomed more than 600 new King's graduates to the alumni family this spring! Congratulations to all of them! Dr. Sylvester, along with many faculty and staff at King's, celebrated with the graduating class at a luncheon preceding the ceremony and a wine and cheese reception that followed.



Ryan Lindsay '10



Amber Merucci '10

President's Message

Jen MacRae '96, President, King's University College Alumni Association



I was never one to attend Homecoming weekend activities. I didn't really see the point. I live in London; I drive by King's all the time. And my closest friends

are those I met at King's – I didn't need a special weekend to see them when I can visit them any time.

But then I got involved with the Alumni Association Homecoming Committee, and it all started to make sense.

It's not really something you can define. Rather, Homecoming is the flood of feelings you get when you step back onto campus. It's made of the memories that surface when you walk into one of your old classrooms. It's the excitement you feel as you catch up with your favourite professor. It's walking around in wonder and curiosity to see how the campus has grown and matured, just as you have over the years. It's all the faces – some old, some new – that remind you what made your time at King's so remarkable.

Sappy nostalgia aside, this year's Homecoming is sure to impress. There are lots of great activities planned, including brunch Saturday morning to honour Dr. Paul Webb, winner of the 2010 Alumni Award of Distinction, followed by the unveiling of the plans for King's new Student Life Centre. See page 26 for the complete run down of things to do.

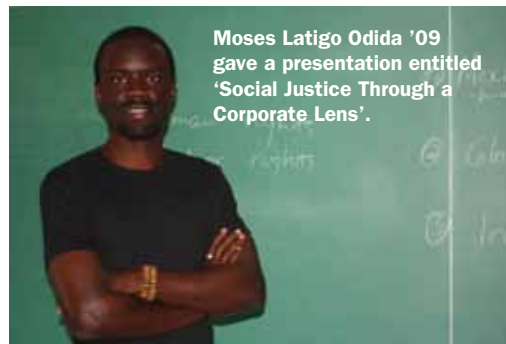
So, whether you're from London or two hours down the 401 or halfway across the world, Homecoming is for you. It's for all of us. And this is the year to find out what it's all about. Hope you can make it!

High School Students Seize the Day at King's

Nearly 600 high school students from across Ontario recently had the opportunity to participate in the 6th Annual Carpe Diem Catholic Student Leadership Conference hosted by King's on May 26-28.

The conference, which focuses on community leadership and social justice, was extended to a two-day event for the first time this year thanks to an increased interest from principals, chaplains, teachers, and students. To view the program from the 2010 Carpe Diem Catholic Student Leadership Conference, please visit http://www.kingsconnect.ca/teachers_guidance/carpe_diem.

Interest in Carpe Diem is growing! Planning has already started for the 7th annual conference, which is scheduled for May 25-27, 2011. To find out more, please contact either Tracy Cunningham, Associate Registrar, at terb@uwo.ca or by phone at 519-432-2942 ext. 4309, or Marilyn Mason, Registrar, at mmason@uwo.ca or at 519-432-2942 ext. 4308.



King's University College Alumni Award of Distinction

2010



The King's University College Alumni Association is pleased to announce that Professor Paul Webb '66 is the recipient of the 2010 Alumni Award of Distinction.

After completing his undergraduate degree in History at King's in 1966, Paul went on to do a Master's Degree in History at The University of Western Ontario. Following that, he completed a Master of Letters at Cambridge University in 1971, and was hired on to King's History department in 1970.

Early in his career, Paul was instrumental in forming the Alumni Association at King's, and from 1973 – 1988 he was the Director (and sole employee) of the Alumni Department. Paul worked full-time teaching and devoted countless additional hours to compiling

alumni lists, updating addresses, corresponding with alumni and planning alumni events. Paul's work during this time helped set the stage for the alumni relations profession, both at King's and nationally.

Paul was president of the Association of Canadian Alumni Administrators, Ontario Chapter (ACAA-O) from 1987 – 1989, moving to the position of national president of the organization from 1990 – 1992. In those same years, Paul was a founding board member of the Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education (CCAЕ). In that role, Paul wrote the CCAЕ Strategic Plan, which set the direction of the organization and the University Advancement profession from that time onward. Paul also developed the Summer Institute for Beginning Alumni Professionals, which continues to

operate annually under the CCAЕ, Ontario Chapter. Each August, new professionals to the alumni relations field from across Canada attend professional development workshops preceding the annual CCAЕ conference thanks to Paul's work. It was the first program of its kind, and in 1992 Paul received the the Association of Canadian Alumni Administrators (ACAA) National Award of Merit for contributions to alumni administration and university advancement in Canada. In 1993 the CCAЕ-O (Ontario) created the Paul Webb Scholarship for new advancement professionals, and in 2004 he was presented with a dinner and award in his honour at the CCAЕ national conference.

In 1989 Paul was faced with the choice between returning to a purely academic career, or following one in alumni and development. Paul chose academia, and to mark the change on October 20, 1990, he was "roasted" by approximately 70 King's alumni, family, friends, academics and alumni professionals.

Paul is a favourite professor at King's, and a regular on the Dean's Honour Roll of Teaching. He was also on Maclean's list of the top 20 professors at Western from 2001-2003. His students credit him with inspiring an interest in and a love of history. While having a reputation as a tough marker, Paul's students say his lectures are always interesting and entertaining.

Paul's ongoing dedication, and the lasting impact he has made on the King's community make him an ideal candidate for the Alumni Award of Distinction. Please join the King's University College Alumni Association in celebrating Professor Paul Webb at the Alumni Award of Distinction Brunch on Saturday, October 2, 2010.

Upcoming Alumni Events

For further details please visit the King's University College Alumni Events page www.uwo.ca/kings/alumni/events or contact the Office of Alumni Affairs at kcalumni@uwo.ca or Katrina Clarke at (519) 433-3491 x4502 to RSVP



Mustangs:

The King's University College Alumni Association is pleased to once again be hosting seats in an on-field hospitality tent at the north end zone of TD Waterhouse Stadium for the upcoming football season. Please let us know if you would like to come out and join us as we cheer on our King's student athletes! The Mustangs home schedule is as follows:



- Western Mustangs vs. Laurier Hawks
Wednesday, September 1, 2010, 7:00 PM,
TD Waterhouse Stadium
- Western Mustangs vs. McMaster Marauders
Saturday, September 11, 2010, 1:00 PM,
TD Waterhouse Stadium
Hosted by Andy Thibodeau '93
- Western Mustangs vs. Queen's Gaels
Saturday, October 2, 2010, 1:00 PM,
TD Waterhouse Stadium – Homecoming Game
- Western Mustangs vs. Toronto Blues
Saturday, October 23, 2010, 1:00 PM,
TD Waterhouse Stadium
Hosted by John Liston '66

September:

The Tempest – Sunday, September 12, 2010.
King's University College Alumni Association and Dr. Paul Werstine '70 invite you to attend the 2:00 PM matinee of *The Tempest*, starring Christopher Plummer as Prospero, at the Stratford Shakespeare Festival. The cost to attend this lunch, a lecture by our world renowned Shakespearean expert, Dr. Werstine and show is \$100 and includes an A+ ticket. Please contact Katrina Clarke at 519-433-3491 x4502 or katrina.clarke@uwo.ca for tickets.

15th Annual King's Classic Golf Tournament

Tuesday, September 21, 2010.
10:00 AM Registration, 1:00 PM Shotgun Start at Forest City National Golf Club. This tournament is held every year by the King's University College Foundation in support of King's students. Come out for a great day of golf and reconnecting with King's alumni, faculty and staff. The cost of the tournament is \$215 per player, and includes lunch and a dinner reception.



October:

Homecoming 2010 – Friday, October 1 & Saturday, October 2, 2010. See page 26 for further details.

Social Work Research Day – Friday, October 22, 2010. Please visit www.kings.uwo.ca/researchday for more information

Ottawa Chapter Event – Tuesday, October 26, 2010. 5:00 PM ET at The Ottawa Army Officers Mess – 149 Somerset Street W, Ottawa.

Dr. Richard Matthews, Assistant Professor of Social Justice and Peace Studies at King's will speak on the topic of his book, *The Absolute Violation: Why Torture Must Be Prohibited*. Dr. Matthews draws conclusions from a multitude of disciplines, including philosophy, psychiatry, history, feminism, anthropology, and torturer and survivor statements. His work challenges a growing public apathy towards, and even acceptance of, the practice of torture. Please contact Katrina Clarke at 519-433-3491 x4501 or katrina.clarke@uwo.ca if you would like to attend.

November:

Toronto Alumni Reception – Wednesday, November 17, 2010. 5:00 PM at Gowlings LaFleur Henderson LLP 1 First Canadian Place, 100 King Street W, Suite 1600, Toronto.

Frank Lamie '03 and Graham Walsh '01 will be hosting alumni from the '80s, '90s and '00s to catch up, network, and meet King's Principal, Dr. David Sylvester.

London Chapter Event – Thursday, November 18, 2010. 7:00 PM ET at Museum London.

The London Chapter is pleased to be offering a private tour of Museum London's underground vaults. This is a limited enrollment event, so get your tickets early!

Toronto Chapter Event – The Toronto Chapter will be hosting its annual holiday reception! Details are to come.

To register for the Toronto or London events please contact Katrina Clarke at 519-433-3491 x4501 or katrina.clarke@uwo.ca

Religious Life Lecture Series:

This year's theme is Social Justice and the Catholic Church. All are welcome to attend the lectures, which are held at 7:30 PM in the Elizabeth A. "Bessie" Labatt Hall. Admission and parking are free. For more information please contact the Office of Campus Ministry at 519-963-1477 or visit www.kings.uwo.ca/campus_ministry or email sглаab@uwo.ca.

September 23, 2010 – Mary Gordon "The Decade of Empathy" Sponsored by the London District Catholic School Board

September 30, 2010 – Susan Aglukark "Nomad No Longer: Social, Spiritual, Cultural Inuit Tradition"

October 7, 2010 – Steve Rodenborn "The Importance of Practicing Hope"

October 21, 2010 – Jody Huckaby "Social Justice and Social Stigma: Building the Bridge of Inclusion of Gays, their Families, and Allies"

October 28, 2010 – David Korten "Change the Story: Change the Future" Part of "Beyond Tinkering: Growing an Inclusive Economy" – Sisters of St. Joseph of London

November 4, 2010 – Alexie Torres-Fleming "When Are You Coming?: The Road from Charity to Justice"

November 18, 2010 – Robert Ellsberg "Dorothy Day: A Saint for Today" Annual Christ the King Lecture Sponsored by St. Peter's Institute for Catholic Formation

January 13, 2011 – Rev'd Dr. Karen Hamilton "For Such a Time as This"

January 27, 2011 – Hindy Najman "Overcoming Destruction in Ancient Judaism" Sponsored by the Centre for Jewish-Catholic-Muslim Learning

March 10, 2011 – Kathryn Tanner "A Christian Perspective on the Financial Crisis" Sponsored by the Sisters of St. Joseph of London

March 31, 2011 – Joseph Martos, PhD "The Paschal Mystery and the Kingdom of God"

What Do You Do With a Liberal Arts Degree?



Anything you want!

Part II of our Profile Series

Ed Struzik, BA 1977

Area of Study: History

Reason for attending King's: "King's chose me."

Favourite Professors: Paul Webb, Gerry Killan, Jacques Goutor

Current Occupation: Journalist; Author; Teacher

With three books down and two more in the hopper, Ed Struzik is not slowing down. Author, journalist, Arctic explorer – through all his experiences what becomes apparent when speaking with him is that he cares. He cares about Canada and about the effects of global warming and resource development on the peoples of the Arctic.

Ed's original career plan was to become a university professor. Following graduation from King's, Ed attended Queen's University to pursue a Masters. He completed a year of course work before being offered a contract position at Kluane National Park and Reserve in the Yukon, where he had worked for several summers. He believed this would be a great opportunity to work outdoors and accepted the position. Unfortunately, he spent much of his time in the office.

He was also not happy about the way Parks Canada consulted with Canadians about managing national parks.

Upon leaving Parks Canada, he wrote a magazine article that outlined his concerns and those of other scientists and conservationists who felt the same way. It became the cover story and described controversies for the organization

at that time. Best of all, he got paid. Ed decided to try freelance writing for a year. He found the experience trying and "literally rolled up nickels and dimes to feed myself. It was no way to make a living." He did some research and found that what he needed to do to further his career in journalism was to enroll in the Masters in Journalism program at The University of Western Ontario.

While at Western, Ed was involved in an internship at the Edmonton Journal. A position opened up in the Arctic Bureau and he got the job. He has now been with the Journal off and on for approximately 30 years. During that time, he has held Fellowships at Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the University of Toronto. He is currently a Fellow at the Institute for Energy and Environmental Policy Studies at Queen's University and an adjunct professor in the Department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences at the University of Alberta.

Ed's most recent book, *The Big Thaw: Travels in the Melting North*, will be published in a paperback edition in the near future. It has won many awards including the Science Book Award from the Canadian Science Writers' Association. The book started as a series of newspaper articles with Ed investigating the impact of global warming in the Arctic. Over the course of 18 months, Ed travelled on eleven different trips to the Arctic with the Inuit, scientists, the Canadian Coast Guard, and others. He described it as overwhelming at times. "To be camping in -30° weather eating frozen fish was both physically and psychologically overwhelming." He spent some time with glaciologists who were 20 years his junior, skiing across a massive

glacier with 60-pound packs on their backs. He described his worst moment on the glacier: “The others on the trip were all vegans and there was no coffee. I don’t have a problem with a vegan diet, but no coffee? It was tough trudging across the glacier trying to keep up with the younger scientists with a caffeine withdrawal headache. The only thing that kept me going was the rope that tied us together to prevent us from falling altogether into a crevasse.” In addition to skiing the glaciers, Ed also went on a later winter walrus hunting trip and sailed through the Northwest Passage on a Coast Guard icebreaker twice. He was approached by several publishers to transform his articles into a book and chose John Wiley & Sons Inc.

The next book for Ed is about the founding of the first residential school in Canada. He was invited to view the archives of the Oblate Missionaries. It was there that he found a record of the first year of that school written by Father Albert Lacombe. Father Lacombe was a French-Canadian Roman Catholic missionary who lived among the First Nations of Western Canada. He kept a detailed diary of what life was like at the school that first year in 1884-85.

Research for his fifth book takes Ed back to the Arctic. In 2009, he was awarded the Michener-Deacon Fellowship in Public Policy, which is Canada’s premier award to encourage excellence in investigative journalism that serves the public interest. He took the opportunity to explore the future of the Arctic through the eyes of the people who are affected by resource development. “There is potential for catastrophe, similar to what has happened in the Gulf of Mexico,” said Ed. “This will displace people, causing them to move off the land. These people deal with the consequences and risks of development. I wanted to give them a voice.”



“A liberal arts degree provides you with the foundation to do anything you want to do in the world. It opens up your mind to any number of possibilities and tremendous opportunities. Most of all, it’s a lot of fun.” ~ Ed Struzik

Having won many awards throughout his career, Ed found it difficult to pinpoint which one he was most proud. “I have to say it is a tie between the \$100,000 Atkinson Fellowship in Public Policy and being runner up to a team from the New York Times for the \$75,000 Grantham Prize for Excellence in Reporting on the Environment. I was the first Canadian to be nominated for that prize.”

Despite taking a very different route, Ed has found himself in academia. In addition to fellowships at Harvard, University of Toronto and Queen’s, he currently teaches writing at the University of Alberta. In the fall of 2010, he will take on new duties as an adjunct professor in the Department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences. Ed credits the time he spent at King’s and his “terrific teachers” for providing him with a positive experience. “I was not a model student in high school,” Ed admitted, “but one high school teacher, John Ruypers – a King’s graduate – saw something in me. He introduced me to Paul Webb. Paul invited me to visit King’s and have a look around. I liked what I saw, applied and was accepted.” Ed was instrumental in founding the J.M.S. Careless History Club which is still going strong 30 plus years later.

Ed had much to say about his teachers at King’s:

Paul Webb: “I only loved his sense of humour, especially when he poked fun at the French at the expense of Jacques Goutor, who looked at world history from the other side of the English channel.”

Jacques Goutor: He taught me not to blindly trust historians. It was important to know what their biases were.”

Gerry Killan: “I respected his ability to hide his biases in teaching history. Like Paul and Jacques, he always had time to chat outside of class hours. You don’t often see that in universities today.”

John Orange: “I took John’s novel writing and Canadian literature courses. I initially had doubts 35 years ago when he suggested that Alice Munro was as good a writer as anyone in the world at the time. Of course, he was right.

“One of the reasons I go to bed with a book every night, is because you had to while taking his course.”

Dante Lenardon: “I never took his course, but I met with him often in the College lounge. He was like the Energizer Bunny, always positive and a character that everyone came to respect and admire.”

Ed lives in Edmonton with his wife Julia Parker, a lawyer and architect, and their son (17) and daughter (13). They travel together often and particularly enjoy canoe trips in the Arctic.

James Walker, BA 1986

Area of Study: History

Reason for attending King's: Offered a full scholarship prior to acceptance.

Favourite Professor: Eric Jarvis

Current Occupation: President of Global Pet Food Stores Inc., and Director of Franchise Bancorp Inc.

How does one go from a focus on history to owner of a pet food store to President of one of the top all-natural pet food companies in Canada? According to Jim Walker: a little fate and a lot of risk.



Following his graduation from King's University College in 1986, Jim attended The University of Western Ontario to take Economics and Finance courses in the Business program. He also attended Trois-Pistole, the French immersion course. He was accepted to the Johns Hopkins University masters program in Canadian and American Industrial Trade Relations and was given

a full bursary from the Canadian federal government to attend. Here is where Fate stepped in. The government cancelled its bursary program and Jim was not able to attend John Hopkins.

Jim took a job with Robert Hunt Corporation (Hunt Windows) in London and moved up in the company until he was recruited by Tremco. He was promoted to Regional Manager at Tremco in Toronto.

Fate again stepped in when Jim's wife started a dog grooming salon. Jim thought it would make good sense to also sell leashes and dog food. He investigated different pet food franchises and found Global Pet Food had the best return on investment. He signed up as a franchisee in 1992 and opened the 9th Global Pet Food store at Eglinton and Avenue Road in Toronto. Two years later, he opened another store at Yonge and Davisville.

In 1995, when Jim was planning to open a third store, the owner of Global approached him about purchasing the retail organization. At the age of 32, Jim took the risk, sold his house, and got a loan. "It was a shot in the dark," said Jim. He purchased the company in 1995 and then bought Ryan's Pet Foods in 1997, building the company up to 130 stores in seven provinces. Global is the exclusive pet food company in Canada to offer Air Miles, a partnership that began 10 years ago.

Global has also developed a line of all-natural and wholesome pet foods called Nature's Harvest. Two of its specialty products are a hypoallergenic formula for dogs with severe allergies and a grain-free formula for dogs that have difficulty digesting carbohydrates and have allergies to certain grains.

When asked why Jim chose King's, he joked that it was for the unlimited meal plan. He explained he had applied to many universities, but King's was the only one to offer a full-scholarship in his first year. "I had a great time at King's," said Jim. During his time at the College, he was Social Convener, VP Finance, Orientation Commissioner for the entire Western campus, and coached the hockey teams. He also won the History award. Jim stated, "I would recommend King's in a nanosecond."

Paula Perri, BA 2007

Area of Study: English Language and Literature with a minor in Psychology

Reason for attending King's: Fate - her high school guidance counselor suggested she apply to King's; her mother visited campus and told her about the nice people she met.

Favourite Professors: Carol Tattersall and Paul Werstine

Current Occupation: Junior Concert Promoter, Live Nation Entertainment



A self-described "English nerd," Paula Perri had hoped to pursue journalism or creative writing. Her career has taken a different turn. Following graduation from King's, Paula worked for a year then attended the one-year Event Management program at Niagara College. She interned at Hillside Festival –

located at Guelph Lake in Ontario, the Festival presents a creative and cultural music event with a community and environmental focus.

In July 2010, Paula began working in the position of Junior Concert Promoter for Live Nation Entertainment. Consisting of five businesses – concert promotion and venue operations, sponsorship, ticketing solutions, e-commerce and artist management – Live Nation is one of the largest live entertainment companies in the world. Paula stated that "you can do whatever you want with a liberal arts degree. At King's, I learned basic transferable

skills.” With a background in analysis, Paula is able to review contracts and sponsorship agreements and to communicate effectively.

Paula has always had a passion for music; she is a singer and plays the guitar. Although not pursuing journalism, Paula’s degree in English has carried through in her songwriting. She has twice performed at Canadian Music Week in Toronto, has been nominated for the London Music Awards, and was featured in the magazines NOW and Scene. She has also been awarded a demo grant from the Foundation Assisting Canadian Talent On Recordings (FACTOR). Paula is using social networking sites to get her name and music out there. On Facebook, the Paula Perri Fans page has almost 400 fans and she also has songs on Myspace (www.myspace.com/paulaperri85). She hopes that in the future, her music and work experience at Live Nation will combine and provide many opportunities.

While at King’s, Paula started the D.R.E.A.M.S. Club that sends students to the Dominican Republic to build homes over reading week. “Sister Susan Glaab, with Campus Ministry, helped a tremendous amount and it’s one of the things I’m most proud of in what I accomplished during my time at Kings,” said Paula. She continues to be involved with King’s as a Director of the Alumni Association and also takes an active role in the Hamilton Chapter. Paula stated she had “a great time at King’s. I felt I was part of something bigger and always felt supported within the community. Professor Tattersall was wonderful and I could listen to her talk about anything. Professor Werstine is a special kind of person who can make the language of Mediaeval literature accessible to everyone. They were both inspiring.”

Yurisa Kawamoto, Honours BA 2009

Area of Study: Sociology with a minor in Criminology

Reason for attending King’s: Small community meant more individual attention as a first-year student

Favourite Professor: Lesley Harman

Current Occupation: Consumer Educator, Summerhill (an environmental sustainability company) and graduate student at the University of Windsor.

You may have spotted Yurisa recently on Discovery Channel Canada in an episode of *Curious and Unusual Deaths*. She portrayed a waitress in a Japanese restaurant who served blowfish to a customer that died from ingesting it. Watch for her this fall on Slice Network when she’ll be part of a show called *Princess*. This is a reality series about young women dealing with the insecurities of making fashion choices.



Before attending King’s University College, Yurisa spent two years at the Randolph Academy for the Performing Arts (Toronto) focusing on acting, singing and dancing. She is currently living in Toronto and attending many auditions. Yurisa completed a 30-second jingle for a children’s

animation project called *Dreams Come True*, which is part of the Mule Mom’s Kids Club produced in Toronto. She has been offered a contract for the fall with Big Kid Entertainment, which is a touring children’s theatre group. Until that time, Yurisa is working for Summerhill on its campaign to educate consumers on how to conserve energy. She credits her performance background for her ability to communicate with customers in Toronto area stores like Rona and Home Hardware.

In another part of her life, Yurisa is enrolled with seven other graduate students in the Communication and Social Justice program at the University of Windsor. This is the only program of its kind in Canada. Despite not having a background in Communications, Yurisa’s studies at King’s, which centered on issues related to social justice, have provided her with a basis for her Masters.

Yurisa is combining her performance experience with her degree in Sociology to create her own research idea for her Master’s thesis. She credits Professor Lesley Harman and her qualitative research methods for helping to provide a focus. Prof. Harman’s methods include having students write a biography and apply that to the type of research they want to do. Yurisa stated that Prof. Harman “cared about us as people and was interested in the students’ perspectives.” This had a huge impact on Yurisa. “My experiences in life are different because of my cultural background,” said Yurisa. Her thesis is about the representation of Asian women in advertising.

Yurisa attended Oakridge Secondary School in London, Ontario, where she grew up. Attending King’s provided her with opportunities to make friends and meet people. She is still in contact with friends she made in her third and fourth year classes when the classes were 10 people or less. Instructors of these classes encouraged the students to talk and become fully engaged in their studies.

Student Life Campaign



For more than five decades King's students have enjoyed the unique atmosphere of a small, friendly, community that links friendship, learning, spirituality, personal growth and social purpose. In 2010, with a student body of 3200, how do we ensure that our students continue to have the benefit of a small, personal campus?

With the combined input of our King's students, faculty, staff, board members and partners – we believe we have found the answer!

Join us at Homecoming Saturday, October 2 at 11:45 a.m. in the atrium of Elizabeth A. "Bessie" Labatt Hall when Carlos Canas, King's University College Students' Council President and David Sylvester, Principal, King's University College, unveil the design plans for The Student Life Centre.

For a full schedule of Homecoming events, please visit www.kings.uwo.ca/alumni/homecoming

Special Thanks

A special thank you to the volunteers who are helping us reach our fundraising goal of \$10.5 million for a Student Life Centre and student financial aid.

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How do you think future students will benefit from a Student Life Centre?



Amy Wood
Program: Social Justice & Peace Studies and Political Science
Year: 2nd

A Student Life Centre will provide more opportunities and resources to further learning, benefiting future students. As well as a convenient study space, it takes a holistic approach to student development with spiritual and recreational spaces.



Jeremy Santucci
Program: Management and Organizational Studies
Year: 3rd

The Student Life Centre will create a more defined space for future students to come together as a community as well as provide many new facilities and services that will enhance the King's experience.

What makes King's special to you?



Deanna Karbasion
Program: Honors Specialization Political Science, Minor Social Justice and Peace Studies
Year: 4th

It is a smaller campus which doesn't make it overwhelming, where you know everyone and know everything like the back of your hand (which is great since you don't have to constantly keep a map around!). It is a welcoming and comfortable environment and it's hard not to make friends, which is why I quickly fell in love with it.



Christine Nicholson
Program: Management and Organizational Studies
Year: 3rd

King's will always hold a special place in my heart. The experiences I've had, the friends I've made and the lessons I've learned in the last two years have shaped the person I am today. After

taking my first step on the King's campus, I knew I made the right decision. From the day our exciting orientation week began, it was clear that King's cares about its students. I have always found the small classroom sizes to be a most welcoming place to share ideas and listen to the views of others.



Thomas Brandimarte
Program: Management and Organizational Studies
Year: 3rd

The best thing about King's is the people! No other university gives you the opportunity to meet such a wide variety of great individuals. King's University College has a fantastic community for you to get involved in.

What are the unique qualities that you think set King's apart from other Colleges and Universities?



Samantha Jagt
Program: Social Justice and Peace Studies
Year: 2nd

I love being part of a small university but having the same opportunities as I would if I was part of a larger university. I also love the programs that King's has that are unique to King's. Programs like Social Justice and Peace Studies and Childhood and Social Institutions to Catholic Studies for Teachers and Thanatology. These programs create a unique mix of students looking to make a difference in their world today and having an opportunity to be a part of this is a great experience.



Brian Rodrigues
Program: Criminology/ Sociology
Year: 4th

During my time at King's, I have enjoyed the sense of community and inclusion. It is a welcoming place for study, recreation and enjoyment that caters to all. I think the combination of the small class sizes, compact campus and now Student Life Centre will truly put King's on the map for years to come.

A Gift of Service

Jennifer MacRae, BA '96

Jennifer is the President of the Alumni Association of King's University College and has been a member of the Alumni Association Board since 2006. Jen is currently on maternity leave from her position as Communications Coordinator at London Life Insurance Company in London, Ontario.

What did you enjoy about your time as a student at King's?

I think what I loved most about King's could be summed up in size. It was big enough to provide all the opportunities and experiences I was looking for in a university, yet

intimate enough that I could get to know my professors and classmates on a more personal level. Some of my closest friends today I met at King's; the overwhelming sense of community there provided the ideal place to grow friendships that will last my entire life.

Why did you agree to be President of the King's University College Alumni Association?

I wasn't involved in many extra-curricular activities when I attended King's (other than 'meetings' at the Ceeps every Thursday night). When

I had the chance to become involved with the Homecoming Committee a few years ago, I was excited to work with other alumni and get more out of my King's experience long after I'd graduated. I then moved onto the Board and was sincerely honoured to be asked to be President. I've really enjoyed the opportunity to serve King's and my fellow alumni.

How do you see the role of the Alumni Association?

I hope that we can provide meaningful experiences to all alumni and help them connect with friends and colleagues, both personally and professionally, who share the King's experience. We have a dynamic, energetic group of volunteers who are very passionate about supporting alumni and we can always use more!

Alumni Association Board members

Jen MacRae '96, President, Chapters Committee Chair

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Chantel Cassidy '03, Director, School of Social Work Representative

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Paula Perri '07, Director, Homecoming Committee Chair

Katrina Clarke '06, Ex-Officio Member, College Council Representative

Carlos Canas '11, King's University College Students' Council Representative

Erin Lawson, Executive Director Development and Alumni Affairs



Jen with son Ferris and husband Matthew Hoy

Brent Shea, BA '80 & '03



Brent & Becky (King's '79) Shea

Brent is Chair of the King's University College Foundation. He graduated from King's University College in 1980 and returned in the late 90s and completed his Honors standing. Brent began serving on the Board of Directors of the King's University College Foundation in 2005. He has also chaired the Foundation's Development Committee. In 2009, Brent was elected as Chair of the Foundation.

What did you enjoy most about your time as a student at King's?

The people. That includes fellow students, faculty and staff. It was the genuine interest of faculty and staff in how I benefited from my King's education, coupled with the numerous friendships developed, that are the most memorable. Although King's has a great physical campus, structured to maintain smaller classes to enhance learning, this only augmented what I found to be the

exceptional component of the King's experience – the people.

Why did you agree to chair the King's University College Foundation?

My wife Becky and I met at King's and collectively share an immense affinity towards the College. In addition, our three sons have attended King's, benefiting from the excellent learning opportunities offered. Further, through my on-going contact with King's over the years since graduation, including returning to complete additional courses, I continued to observe how King's contributes towards the development of individuals through a value-centered learning environment. Observing these positive outcomes while personally having experienced the benefit of attending King's was my central motivation for wanting to personally contribute, while at the same time encouraging others to reflect on their experiences to support

the momentum that continues to make King's the welcoming environment it is.

Why do you feel it is important to support King's?

In addition to exceptional faculty and a strong academic reputation, King's continues to embrace all students regardless of socio-economic circumstance, ensuring that each has the opportunity to thrive in an encouraging learning atmosphere. This is achieved through the generous support of the many alumni, family and friends of King's. Financial pressures continue to place roadblocks in front of deserving and capable students. The King's University College Foundation works intimately with the King's Administration to support College priorities; initiatives that provide bursary and scholarship assistance as well as ensuring that students have the appropriate physical infrastructure to benefit from a complete university learning experience. In this manner, financial support through the Foundation is vital to both sustain and enhance the student experience and opportunity.

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Milestones

Michael J. (Jim) Conroy '67 – Chairman and Founding Partner, Conroy Ross Partners retired on July 31st (but will be consulting back to Conroy Ross one day a week until April 30, 2011) from the executive search company he founded in 1994. After growing his company to include offices in Calgary, Edmonton and Regina, Jim feels he has created his legacy and it is time to step aside and leave the future in the hands of the next generation. Jim is looking forward to enjoying time with Donna, their children and grandchildren in Calgary and Arizona.

Angelo Restivo '74 – After 31 years in the teaching profession, I am now retired and living in Stoney Creek with my wife Denise. We are awaiting our 7th grandchild in November. I still see friends I met while at King's College some 40 years later.

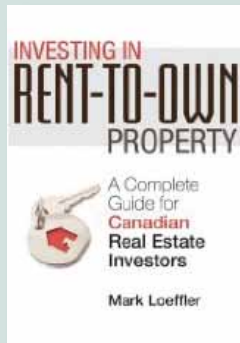
Michael MacDonald '81 – has been teaching for 22 years and is currently at Corpus Christi Catholic Secondary School, Burlington as the Department Head of Religion, Humanities, and Social Sciences. Michael is married with two children.

David Elias '90 – in May 2010 David Elias, past-President of the King's University College Alumni Association, was awarded the Suncor Energy Foundation Community Service Volunteering Grant for \$750 in support of his volunteer work with King's University College. This program recognizes volunteerism as an integral part of strengthening communities and allows the company to show support to those who take the time to get involved and help out where there is need. David is employed by Suncor Energy, Inc. as their Senior Advisor of Web Optimization.

David J. Finch '90 – In March 2010, I completed my PhD in Management from Walden University with a research focus in modeling the value of marketing. I have also recently accepted a full-time position as a professor of marketing at the Bissett School of Business at Mount Royal University. As I recently noted to Dr. Sylvester, joining the faculty of Mount Royal was like a Homecoming because as a smaller undergraduate institution it shares many of the same values that made my years at King's such a formative experience.

Phil Luzi '97 – I am writing and directing in Toronto. I'm the co-founder of Toronto's newest and wildest comedy troupe, The Specials, and we perform in a different venue each month – as we introduce new and absurd characters and scenarios. In the fall, I will be co-hosting the Canadian Comedy Festival with well-known comedienne Sandra Battaglini, followed by a trip to the Mayan Riviera to shoot my second feature film.

▼ **Mark Loeffler '00** – I live in the High Park area of Toronto with my wife and my young daughter. I have spent several years developing real estate investment strategies, and have recently published my first book



investing, when done correctly, can not only generate income for

investors, but can help tenants repair damaged credit and become home owners themselves. I am currently speaking and running seminars in support of my book and this philosophy.

Jason Peetsma '01 – Jason Peetsma has been promoted to a Senior Consultant at Odgers, Berndtson (formerly Ray & Berndtson) in Toronto. Odgers Berndtson is Canada's largest and most trusted executive search firm. Jason possesses significant experience with a wide range of clients, from small technology start-ups to some of the largest Global organizations. Jason has conducted a number of senior-level recruitment engagements across a variety of functions, including, CEO, CFO, senior vice president of sales and marketing, operations, and senior human resources executives. Prior to joining Odgers Berndtson, Jason worked for a small boutique management consulting firm as the Managing Director. In this role, he worked on competency modeling, conducted change readiness assessments and pioneered a program to assess and develop the company's corporate culture and recruitment efforts. Jason was influential in growing the company's operations from 6 employees to over 36 in a few short years and expanding its customer base and revenues to twice its size. Jason holds an honors degree with distinction in Political Science and History with a minor in Philosophy from King's University College and a Master of Arts degree in International Relations and Global Politics from the University of Windsor.

Heidi Michelle Edgar, BSW '04, MSW '09 – After completing my Master in Social Work degree in 2009, I returned to my home province of Newfoundland and Labrador. Since my return to St. John's, I have been given a wonderful opportunity to develop and implement the Justice Project with the Canadian Mental Health Association – Newfoundland Division. The Justice Project with CMHA-NL is the first of its kind in Canada because the project provides in reach mental health service and support to individuals who are serving a provincial sentence at the penitentiary. We complete a needs assessment of what has and hasn't worked for them when they have been in the community in the past, complete an individualized crisis plan, and are there to meet them at the gate upon release to begin intensive case management. The intensive case management is for a period of one year. This has been a challenging and exciting journey that I have just begun. I have hired two amazing case managers that make my work very easy. I still get to carry a small caseload with the administrative duties which helps me to use my clinical skills. Government has asked us to expand the project outside the St. John's region to service the women's prison. So I am now busy collecting stats, completing proposals and budgets to prepare for the expansion. I thank the Social Work program, faculty and staff for instilling within me the skills and confidence to take on this exciting and challenging new journey.



▲ **Daniel Grace '06** – is a PhD Candidate in Sociology at the University of Victoria, British Columbia. Trained in institutional ethnography by Dorothy E. Smith, Daniel's research interests include global health, HIV/AIDS and social inequality. Daniel conducted research at the Center for Health Economics & Policy Analysis (CHEPA) during his interdisciplinary MA research in Globalization Studies at McMaster University. He is currently part of a CIHR-funded multidisciplinary investigation exploring the use of nucleic-acid amplification testing (NAAT) and 4th generation combination antibody and antigen tests for early detection and response among gay men in BC. He is also a sessional instructor at the University of Victoria, Department of Sociology. Building on past CBR in India, Ecuador and Canada, Daniel's Doctoral research explores the everyday world of transnational HIV/AIDS legal reform and human rights work. Rather than reify shifts toward a global legal order, Daniel seeks to make explicit how processes of transnational legal reform

happen in everyday transnational policy spaces. Beginning in July 2010, Daniel will continue his research as a Global Health Fellow through Duke University. As part of this work as a Duke Fellow he will conduct research at the World Health Organization in the Department of Gender, Women and Health.

Bevin Sandercock (nee Perdu) '06 – Bevin is pleased to announce her marriage to Scott Sandercock (UWO Alum 2006 BScEng). The wedding took place February 28, 2009.

Kevin Collins '09 – I am currently teaching English in South Korea, but I will be returning to London in the fall 2010 for teachers college at Western.

Lilka Krempien '09 – I will be returning to Western this fall, September 2010 to begin my Master of Environment and Sustainability.

Cory Martin '10 – I graduated in April and have since obtained my Real Estate Broker License and have played a large role in the growing of a new Real Estate Company called OnSale Homes Realty.

In Memoriam:

Marc Anthony Santucci '71 passed away on July 18, 2010, in his 61st year.

Should you have any Milestones to share (job announcements/changes/promotions, marriages, birth announcements etc.) please let us know and we'll include them in The Herald. Please e-mail kcalumni@uwo.ca

Your guide to Homecoming 2010

October
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Thursday, Sept. 30

Religious Life Lecture Series with Susan Aglukark

7:30 PM – Elizabeth A. “Bessie” Labatt Hall

The Office of Campus Ministry is pleased to welcome Susan Aglukark as she delivers her lecture, “Nomad No Longer: Social, Spiritual, Cultural Inuit Tradition”. Susan is a unique voice in Canadian music in that she blends the Inuktitut and English languages with leading pop music arrangements as she tells the stories of her people. She is quickly becoming known as an uplifting motivational speaker, and will be sharing stories and song with the King’s community.



Friday, Oct. 1

Alumni Association Annual General Meeting

7:30 PM – Board Room, Dante Lenardon Hall

All King’s University College Alumni are welcome to attend the Annual General Meeting of our Alumni Association. Get the inside scoop on the Association, our plans for 2010-2011, and how you can be involved! Interested alumni should contact Katrina Clarke at 519-433-3491 x4502 or katrina.clarke@uwo.ca

Friday Night Bash

8:30 PM – The Vitali Student Lounge, Lester A. Wemple Building

Meet up with your fellow alumni, faculty, staff and friends at the annual Friday Night Bash! Enjoy the musical talents of the legendary **Rick McGhie** from 8:30 – 10:00 PM, followed by some King’s musical talent! This will be a great opportunity to reunite with old friends, reminisce, share stories and celebrate Homecoming – all while listening to the music three decades of King’s and Western students have enjoyed.

Free admission, cash bar.



Saturday, Oct. 2

Homecoming Parade

9:00 AM

Gather your family and friends and find a spot on Richmond Street to be a part of this great Homecoming tradition. Be sure to cheer on the King's float! Starting at Centennial Hall, the parade should arrive at Western around 11:00 AM



Alumni Award of Distinction Brunch

10:30 AM – Elizabeth A. “Bessie” Labatt Hall

The King's University College Alumni Association invites you to celebrate Professor Paul Webb '66 at our third annual Alumni Award of Distinction Brunch. Take this opportunity to celebrate and catch up with King's faculty and staff as we honour an alumnus who has done so much for the King's community, its students and alumni.

Brunch tickets, \$15.



Unveiling of design plans for new Student Life Centre

11:45 AM

Before boarding the bus for the game, Dr. David Sylvester and KUCSC President, Carlos Canas will unveil the design plans for the Student Life Centre. Be one of the first to see how this incredible building will look when it is complete!

Western Mustangs Football Game

1:00 PM – TD Waterhouse Stadium

Cheer on the Western Mustangs football team as they take on the Queen's Gaels! Seating in our exclusive field-level end zone tent is limited, so get your tickets today. Buses will be leaving King's at 12:20 and 12:30 PM to take all King's alumni to TD Waterhouse Stadium.

Tickets are \$25 and include bus transportation.

Food and drinks are available for purchase.

Social Work Wine & Cheese Reception

4:30 PM – Elizabeth A. “Bessie” Labatt Hall

All Social Work alumni are invited to join faculty and staff in celebrating reunion years and the recent accreditation of the Master's of Social Work program.

Post-Game Reception Downtown

5:00 PM – The London Tap House, 545.5 Richmond Street

Join your fellow Western Mustang sport fans downtown after the game as Homecoming festivities draw to a close. Win or loss, come raise a pint to your Alma Mater!

Sunday, Oct. 3

Celebration of the Eucharist

10:30 AM – Morning Eucharist, The Chapel, Windermere on the Mount

5:00 PM – Evening Eucharist, The Worship Space, Elizabeth A. “Bessie” Labatt Hall

All King's alumni are welcome to join Christ the King University Parish for the celebration of Sunday Mass.



To register for any of the Homecoming events listed above please contact Katrina Clarke at (519) 433-3491 x4501 or katrina.clarke@uwo.ca

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