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# KING'S CONNECT

## THE EDITOR WRITES

By Erin Lawson



Erin Lawson and Dr. Antonio Calcagno

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Our ability to maintain the educational and community aspects of King's, while supporting our growth as the finest Catholic university in the country is dependent on the advice, comments, volunteerism and support of King's alumni and friends.

The seven year Student Life Campaign is complete. We have raised \$9 million to support the creation of the Darryl J. King Student Life Centre. Nearly \$1.8 million has been raised for student awards, which generated an additional \$1.24 million in matching funds through the provincial government. A further \$1.05 million was directed towards other projects on campus.

The King Centre nurtures the creation of community by providing a gathering space for students, alumni, faculty and staff, as well as our neighbours and friends in the city of London. As David Sylvester and I travel across the country visiting with alumni, it is stories about friendships, pranks, events, interactions with faculty and involvement in the King's community

that create the strongest link to King's. We also hear about the value of a King's education and the power of writing skills and critical thinking in the business world. These are our traditions.

We have been humbled and blessed by the support you have given us in achieving and exceeding what was considered an impossible fundraising goal for King's. All gifts show a commitment to future students and the importance of the unique education King's has to offer. We followed the lead of the alumni, faculty and administrators who have gone before us to create the space which will highlight the best of the past for the future.

Philosophy and Religious Studies Professors Dr. Steve Lofts and Dr. Antonio Calcagno (pictured with me in front of Wemple hall) have organized a three day conference at King's in March with Jean-Luc Marion, a Roman Catholic philosopher and theologian. Jean-Luc Marion is one of the most influential philosopher/

theologians of our time. Through the Centre for Advanced Research in European Philosophy a new Centre at King's has been created, the Centre for Advanced Research in Catholic Thought, which will promote dialogue between philosophy and theology. This new Centre highlights the commitment of King's University College to the Catholic intellectual and educational tradition.

Although I spend a great deal of time talking about alumni parties and fundraising, please know that the faculty and staff at King's continue to nurture the academic traditions that make us strong. Of course, I couldn't be prouder than to have Jean-Luc Marion speak in the Joanne and Peter Kenny Theatre and to have David Sylvester and Bishop Ronald Fabbro host a reception for the attendees around the fireplace in the Garron Family Lounge in the Darryl J. King Student Life Centre. The tradition continues.

Thank you.

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Ryan McMurray '08,  
President, King's University College Alumni Association



I was delighted to be named as the newest President of the Alumni Association Board of Directors in September. Having served as a member of the Board and the Young Alumni Committee Chair, I have had the pleasure of working with the Alumni Association Board to increase awareness and promote engagement amongst our alumni and current students. We have created a variety of programs and events designed to do exactly this.

After graduating with a degree in Political Science and History, I decided to put my education to use in the financial industry. I currently work as an Advisor with RBC, a career that is not directly related to my degree. It has been my experience that many university graduates find themselves in careers outside of their field of education, sometimes branching off in a different direction altogether. You never know where your degree might take you! To assist students and young alumni who wish to build careers in a specific area, we have developed the Life After King's Alumni Mentoring Program. This program serves to connect young professionals with a fellow King's grad who is experienced in their industry. We have successfully

connected both students and young alumni across the country. If you would like to offer mentorship to a student or recent graduate, contact the Office of Alumni Affairs.

We have also been hosting networking events and professional development opportunities to help alumni build their careers. On Friday, May 1 we will host our second Development Day event, featuring Chris Bailey of A Life of Productivity as our keynote speaker. The event will include industry leaders in a variety of areas to help alumni at all levels of their career. I hope you will consider joining us.

For members of the Alumni Association Board of Directors, it is our obligation and passion to create a sense of community and to maintain the sense of pride that we all felt while attending such a quality educational institution as King's. I would like to encourage all of you to participate in this venture, whether it be as an event guest, a chapter volunteer, or as a member of the Board. King's is a unique bond that connects all of us and provides us with great opportunities. I encourage you to keep your connection with the King's community.

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- **The Young Alumni Award**

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## CAMPUS NEWS

### PROFESSOR ROBERT VENTRESCA NAMED MEMBER OF PRESTIGIOUS SOCIETY



Dr. Robert Ventresca '93, associate professor in the Department of History, was elected as a Member to the prestigious Royal Society of Canada, College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists. Dr. Ventresca is part of the inaugural cohort of Members to the College in recognition of his research by an emerging, young scholar. The Royal Society of Canada is the highest recognized membership for scholars in Arts, Humanities and Sciences in our country.

Dr. Ventresca has also received recognition for his most recent publication, *Soldier of Christ: The Life of Pope Pius XII*, (Harvard University Press, 2013), which was awarded The Harry C. Koenig Prize by the American Catholic Historical Association, and was nominated for the prestigious 2015 Grawemeyer Award by the University of Louisville, for highly significant contributions to religious and spiritual understanding.

### KING'S NAMES THREE VICE-PRINCIPALS



King's appointed three Vice-Principals to provide strategic leadership within its Senior Administration team, and also to respond to the current and future needs of the community. Dr. Sauro Camiletti has assumed the office of Vice-Principal & Academic Dean; Marilyn Mason, M.A., the office of Vice-Principal, Enrolment & Strategic Partnerships; and Jeff Major, C.P.A., C.A., the office of Vice-Principal, Finance & Support Services.

### KING'S ATHLETES COACH DR. SYLVESTER



King's is home to 200 student athletes who participate on Western Mustangs teams and clubs. In August 2014, King's members of Western's rowing crew invited Principal David Sylvester for a rowing lesson on Fanshawe Lake.

## LONDON POVERTY RESEARCH CENTRE AT KING'S



King's and the London Poverty Research Centre have formed a partnership to become the London Poverty Research Centre at King's. The Centre brings an inter-disciplinary team of academic researchers together to answer important local questions around food security and precarious work, and mental health and homelessness.

"It is research that leads to impact," says Dr. Barbara Decker Pierce, Director of the School of Social Work and co-chair the new Centre. "The work of the Centre excites our faculty as we feel this research will impact policy and service development within our own community of London."

Speaking on behalf of the Centre's Board, Sue Wilson, Sisters of St. Joseph, echoed the enthusiasm for the new partnership. "The London Poverty Research Centre is excited to partner with King's not only because of the research expertise and student energy that it brings, but especially because of King's commitment to social justice as part of its mission."

The London Poverty Research Centre at King's joins other Centres at the University including the Centre for Creativity; Centre for Jewish, Catholic, Muslim Learning; Centre for Social Concern; Centre for Education about Grief and Bereavement; Centre for Advanced Research in European Philosophy; and the Centre for Advanced Research in Catholic Thought.



London Poverty Research Centre at King's Board of Directors (L-R): Dr. Barbara Decker Pierce, Glen Pearson, Sister Sue Wilson, Sean Quigley, Dr. Tracey Smith Carrier, and Sidney Robertson.

## FALL WELCOME DAY

Hundreds of potential King's students and their families came from London and across the province for a comprehensive overview of King's academic programs, services and clubs. Prospective students had the opportunity to tour campus, meet with staff, faculty, upper year students and recent graduates, as well as observe mini-lectures to get a taste of the King's experience.



Alumnus Michael Potters '12 was on hand to share his entrepreneurial experience with future King's students.

Do you know a university-bound student who would benefit from the King's Royal Treatment? To arrange a personalized tour, please contact Enrolment Services at 519-433-3491 or [kings@uwo.ca](mailto:kings@uwo.ca).

## LONDON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT BANNER



Travellers flying in and out of the London International Airport are greeted by a large banner that commemorates the 60th anniversary of King's.

## AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING BY PART-TIME FACULTY

Taking “stories from the street”, Professor Strickland uses her 20 year of professional accounting experience to relate textbook material to real life examples.

Congratulations to Professor Ruth Ann Strickland who received the 2014 King's University College Award for Excellence in Teaching by Part Time Faculty. Professor Strickland teaches senior courses covering a broad range of topics in her accounting discipline. Taking “stories from the street”, Professor Strickland uses her 20 year of professional accounting experience to relate textbook material to real life examples.

Her students describe her as extremely organized, passionate and readily available. In turn, Professor Strickland credits her students for energizing her with their questions and their dedication to learning.

After receiving her award at convocation fall 2014, Professor Strickland noted that the ceremony is always one of her favourite moments of each year. “I love seeing 'my' students walk across the stage. Because I often teach multiple courses to the same students, I have the opportunity to learn more about their

individual stories, and I know how much their accomplishments mean to them. I enjoy meeting their parents and telling them some of the things I value about their son or daughter. These moments mean so much to me.”

In Professor Strickland's own words, “good teaching does not happen by accident”. The intentional focus on being a community rather than a group of individuals is one of the unique features at King's that she feels has helped her grow as a professor. “King's has supported my career development by providing me with resources to explore new teaching techniques and has given me opportunities to expand my teaching through new courses.”

Professor Strickland is an exemplar of what excellence in teaching requires and continues to make an outstanding contribution to King's.

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does not happen  
by accident”

## CELEBRATING KING'S SCHOLARLY MONOGRAPHS AND FACULTY AUTHORS

**Dr. Laura Béres**, (Social Work), *The narrative practitioner*. Basingstoke, UK Palgrave Macmillan., 2014.

**Dr. Judith Belle Brown**, (Social Work) et. al. *Patient-Centred Medicine: Transforming the Clinical Method*. Radcliffe Publishing UK, 2014.

**Dr. Antonio Calcagno**, (Philosophy), *Lived experience from the inside out: social and political philosophy in Edit Stein*. Pittsburgh, PA: Duquesne University, Press, 2014.

**Dr. Maria-Carolina Cambre**, (Sociology), *The semiotics of Che Guevara: Affective gateways*. London; New York; Bloomsbury Academic, 2015.

**Dr. Cathy Chovaz**, (Psychology) and du Feu, Margaret. *Mental health and deafness*. Oxford: New York: Oxford University Press, 2014.

**Dr. Rick Csiernik**, (Social Work). *Just say know: A counsellor's guide to psychoactive drugs*. Toronto: Canadian Scholars Press, 2014.

**Dr. Gyongi Hegedus**, (Philosophy). *Saadya Gaon: the double path of the mystic and the rationalist*. Leiden: Brill, 2013.

**Dr. David MacGregor**, (Sociology). *Hegel and Marx after the fall of communism*. 2nd edition. Cardiff: University of Wales Press, 2014

**Dr. Tom Malleson**, (Social Justice and Peace). *After Occupy: Economic democracy for the 21st century*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2014.

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

By Dr. David Sylvester

### WHITHER KING'S IN 60 YEARS? PART I

In the last few issues of the Herald, I have written of the historical King's, the college that was founded by visionary leaders and educators as Christ the King College in 1954, and the many subsequent defining moments that shaped the remarkable community we know today. As we continue to celebrate the many accomplishments of our students, faculty, staff and alumni, we are also knee-deep in planning for the next 60 years.

This current undertaking is not for the faint of heart as the landscape of higher education in Canada is undergoing a sea change. The challenges are many and range from a societal questioning of the very purpose of post-secondary education to the global political and economic shifts that have a direct impact on Canadian universities, including how and whether they should be funded by governments. What is clear is that institutions that are uncertain about their own mission and unable to read the emerging new realities, and adapt in creative ways, will very soon find themselves in a difficult space. Our collective task at King's—and yes, this project includes our alumni—is to ensure that our institution not only weathers these changes but is positioned to flourish and continue to grow as one of Canada's leading undergraduate universities. To do so will require a re-commitment to what we have always done best at King's combined with a creative exploration of how we will remain relevant to our future students and the communities we serve. In this edition of the Herald, I would like to focus, in a very general way, on the distinctive educational mission of King's and why it will remain attractive to the next generation of our students.

King's is, first and foremost, a centre of intellectual and personal transformation. In this age of 'differentiation' where institutions are criticized for trying to be all things to all people, King's stands out for its singular commitment to educate

students who want to make a difference in the world. Higher education is increasingly characterized in the public realm as a corporate undertaking wherein a degree is often described as a commodity, and the faculty are producers and students the consumers. Such a perspective reduces the purpose of a university to popping out job-ready graduates for a labour market that may or may not exist. At King's, we do much more, and it remains our vision to be a place where scholars of every age gather to develop their minds and their hearts in service to the common good. Of course, our graduates will be prepared to find meaningful employment when they graduate; we are committed to helping them plan and realize their career paths and our alumni are crucial to this enterprise. But more than that, King's students will be educated to be critical, literate and compassionate life-long learners capable of navigating over a lifetime the complex realities of changing job markets and the challenges and opportunities of living in a global society. To do this, our future students must be open to enter into a learning community that challenges their assumptions, to learn new ways of doing things, and to reflect upon not only what they want to do in life but who they are called to be.

We are, historically and in fact, a Catholic university, which means many different things to many people, even here on our own campus. Above all, however, it means that we are an inclusive community committed to the education of the whole person: intellectually, psychologically, physically, and spiritually. Certainly, we will continue to teach history, business, literature, and many other disciplines—and we will do it very well—but ultimately, our commitment will be to teach people. Our efforts will remain focussed on providing an interdisciplinary education that is informed and enriched by the Catholic Intellectual Tradition



and will explore new ways of knowing, doing and being. We believe that this educational commitment to an 'integral humanism' is precisely the antidote to the corporatization of higher education that we see today, and one which will remain relevant for our future students and set us apart from many, if not most, Canadian universities.

As alumni, you already know that the education I have described has long been the hallmark of King's. But this is only a part of our story. As we continue to plan, we will be initiating new academic programs, improving the campus space, and exploring new ways to engage with our immediate and extended communities. A key to our future success will be engagement with you, our alumni, to ensure that we are able to build upon our legacy of excellence and continue to develop a national voice for a relevant liberal arts education. Consider this your invitation to participate in the many upcoming events on and off campus, and to lend your experience and expertise to this great project that is King's. In the next Herald, I will take up how we have been, and plan to be, a transformational force for the society in which we live.

## MARY CAROL WATTERS

By Katrina Clarke '06



**A**fter 35 years of service, Mary Carol Watters has seen a great deal of change on campus. In the early 1980s, King's was home to about 1,000 students and comprised of only one building; fast forward to present day, where King's boasts nearly 4,000 students on a growing campus with many modern amenities. The appearance of the College is not the only thing that's changed. Mary Carol has seen a significant increase in the number and variety of courses and programs offered, drawing interest from a more varied group of students.

Despite some rather dramatic changes over the years, much has remained the same. Mary Carol notes that students then and now have a lot in common. "The students in 1980 and the students in 2014 had the same hopes and concerns about the journey they were beginning at King's and the next steps in their lives. Trends and fashions come and go, but the trepidation, expectation and excitement of the next step into the transition to adulthood remains the same rite of passage. Who doesn't remember the emotional impact of their first day on campus?"

Mary Carol observes that although students have always had stress to manage, the nature of that stress has changed in recent years, and technology and social media have made it difficult for students to remove themselves from both social and academic pressures. "While there has always been social stress associated with student life,

the nature of friendship and relational capacity has certainly been altered by social media." Constant access to others and to information has its drawbacks. "Family involvement in the daily student experience is now a technology-driven reality; as is the expectation that maybe faculty members and student services staff will respond to an email or text at 3 am. It is difficult for a student to 'unplug' from electronic social and entertainment stimuli. This raises stress levels and time for relaxation, rest and reflection are rare."

*"The 'face' of the student body is quite different in 2014 than it was in 1980."*

Mary Carol also believes that some of the stresses faced by students today can be attributed to greater accessibility of a university education to a broader group of students. "Campuses are striving to serve the diverse needs of students of all ages and stages—international students, mature students, new Canadians, etc. with diverse educational backgrounds and life experiences. The 'face' of the student body is quite different in 2014 than it was in 1980."

Institutes of higher learning are making great strides to continue to make education accessible to more students, and to help students to succeed,

despite new and changing challenges. "Increasingly, campus service providers are aware of the need to provide more and varied supports for students. Services focus on fostering health, wellness and personal development." Under Mary Carol's leadership, King's has been no slouch in the evolving field of student services. "In addition to the traditional counselling supports (academic, pastoral, psychological, social) offered at King's, with the opening of the Darryl J. King Student Life Centre last year, we have been able to offer a reflection room for anyone needing quiet time, mindfulness meditation, yoga, and KUCSC supported the design of a fitness centre and purchased state-of-the-art equipment for it. The response from students has been positive, but they are also clear that they want and need more professional and peer support."

As much as Mary Carol has witnessed the evolution of our campus, she has also been behind the scenes, making King's a better place all along. We often refer to the specialness of King's in terms of its people – they are kind, accommodating, committed to others. For those of us who have had the privilege of working with her, Mary Carol's fingerprints on this cultural identity are evident.

We wish Mary Carol the very best in her retirement, as she has certainly earned it.

## MICHAEL TATTERSALL



Michael Tattersall served as director of physical plant from 2001-2014. He was instrumental in overseeing the planning and construction of the Darryl J. King Student Life Centre, and was also a longstanding member of the King's Golf Classic planning committee. Family, friends and colleagues came together in October 2014 to wish Michael well in his retirement.

◀ Michael Tattersall celebrates retirement with his wife Carol, their children and grandchildren

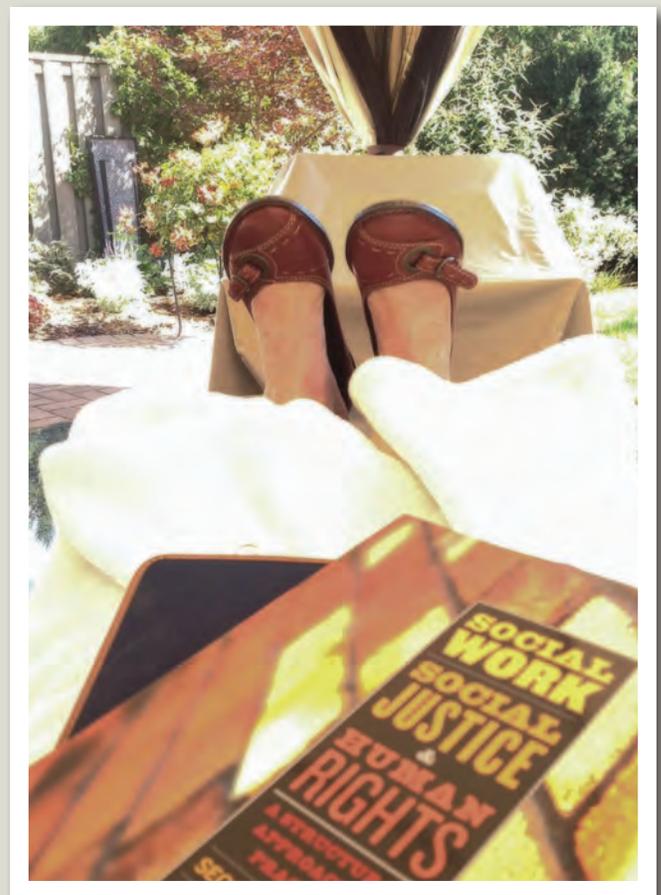
## DR. CAROLYNE GORLICK

After 25 years at King's, Associate ProfessorCarolyn Gorlick will retire from the School of Social Work in July 2015. Dr. Gorlick's research has focused on Canadian social policy, addressing issues affecting families and poverty. She has pursued this interest through teaching Social Work courses, conducting major research projects documenting the experiences of single mothers on social assistance, as well individuals in welfare to work initiatives, and collaborating in a multi-disciplinary project on diversity and homelessness.

As she embarks on a different phase of life, Dr. Gorlick notes that the challenges and uncertainties students face today have changed considerably from the ones she faced as a student. Differences exist in students' background experiences, interests, hopes for the future and even their perceptions of their current situation. Consequently, professors face the ongoing challenge of adapting course content to support the changing characteristics of students.

Reflecting on her years as both a student and a professor, Dr. Gorlick's words of wisdom for future students align with her philosophy for retirement: live in the present, as well as for the future. She also shares a consistent piece of advice that she has received from other retirees: One should not plan retirement too far in advance. Instead, focus on health/wellbeing, financial security, and good friends. "These three pillars, they assure me, provide the foundations for a flourishing retirement."

King's wishes Dr. Gorlick all the best in whatever new and unexpected opportunities lie ahead.



Dr. Carolyn Gorlick easing into retirement

# SOCIAL NETWORKING

## REFLECTIONS ON CONSTANCY

By Barbara Decker Pierce, Director of the School of Social Work

I expect the normal tendency when asked to reflect on the passage of time is to focus on what has changed ... it's in our nature to focus on change. Obviously, in my almost twenty years at King's there has been a great deal of change ... to the College, to the School of Social Work and to the profession I chose more than forty years ago. There are certainly more students, more faculty, more staff and more buildings than when I first arrived at King's. With the addition of a graduate program the School now offers two sound and well-respected programs of professional social work education. Social Work practitioners are much more likely to inform practice with evidence and work toward helping others achieve desired goals. However, my reflections as I near the end of my term focus not so much on what has changed but what has remained constant over the years.

- A busy social work office with staff and professional officers who see their prime objective to be helpful to everyone – and to be friendly and pleasant while going about it.
- Friends among my faculty colleagues who care about me as a person even though I have responsibilities slightly different from theirs. My role hasn't changed their willingness to provide much needed counsel and support.
- The energy new students bring to our community when they arrive in September and the personal and

professional growth I see when they have committed themselves to their education and learning.

- The wonderful support and involvement of the broader Social Work community in London. It has always made me feel our work in social work education contributes to a broader and much needed system of social supports and services in our community.
- The willingness of the IT department to help me figure it out when technology baffles – and without making me feel like it's my fault.
- The cheerful support of the Cardinal Carter librarians and extensive resources available from our library system. The library has always been my refuge.
- The beauty of our campus and the pride I feel when I show it off to family and friends.
- A loyalty to this institution and a deep desire to continue its special nature demonstrated by all my administrative colleagues.

So although many things have changed during my time at King's it is clear many things have remained the same. As I look back on my term as Director I'm sure it is the constants that I will remember most fondly. These are the things that have had the most meaning for me and the things I will certainly carry with me as I move onward toward new adventures.

### Social Work Week 2015



Alumna Dr. Katharine Dill '88 (BSW) gave the keynote address: "The Use of Social Media and Innovation in Social Work Education and Practice: Pioneering New Ways of Thinking!" on February 27. Katharine completed her MSW and PhD from the University of Toronto and currently teaches Social Work at Queens

University Belfast. Her research agenda is dedicated to social work supervision and education within an international context and perspective

### Be a Field Instructor!

*The School needs YOU!*

If you are interested in becoming a field instructor – helping a social work student in their professional journey, let us know. Contact the Coordinator of Field Education, MaryKay.Arundel@kings.uwo.ca for information.



# STUDENTS' EXPERIENCE FAVOURITE THINGS @ KING'S:



Reverend Edward J.R. Jackman Reflection Room

**Sarah Oswald,**  
*2nd year Social Justice and Peace Studies from Kingsville, ON*

**Professor:** Allyson Larkin  
**Place to catch up with friends:** The lounge in the King Centre, which I believe is the heart of the building.  
**Overall King's experience:** I came to King's not knowing anyone and have been accepted into the King's community. I definitely consider King's my spot!



Joanne and Peter Kenny Theatre

**Jordan Cole,**  
*2nd year History from London, ON*

**Professor:** Paul Werstine  
**Space in the King Center:** The lounge/ fireplace  
**Moment from this year:** Spending time in the Kenny Theatre, and attending the homecoming football game.  
**Thoughts on the King Centre:** It has created more space for students to relax and get away from everything.



Fitness Centre

**AbdulRahman Al-Daqqaq,**  
*1st year BMOS from Bedford, NS*

**Professor:** Ayoub Yousefi  
**Space in the King Center:** The upstairs meeting rooms.  
**Place to study:** Second floor in the library  
**Place to catch up with friends:** The townhouses, where everyone knows each other



Brent and Becky Shea Meeting Room

**Felicia Yong,**  
*4th year, English and Visual Arts from London, ON*

**Professor:** Paul Werstine  
**Place to study:** Upstairs in the King Centre or in the basement lounge  
**Place to catch up with friends:** The chapel room in Wemple.

**Thoughts on the King Centre:** The King Centre gives students a nice balance between work, study and having a social life. I definitely spend more time at school because I now have a place to stay.



Games Room

**Michael Miazga,**  
*1st year Criminology from London, ON*

**Professor:** Anisha Datta  
**Space in the King Center:** The games room. It is a fun place to relax and catch up with friends.  
**Place to study:** The cafeteria



Garron Family Learning Lounge

**Darine Elsahli,**  
*3rd year Social Work from London, ON*

**Professor:** Laura Lewis  
**Space in the King Center:** Reflection Room. It's a good place to de-stress, pause and reflect.  
**Place to catch up with friends:** By the fireplace in the King Centre  
**Overall King's experience:** I love my time at King's. There is a great diversity of students with common ideas and a lot of interesting social programs.



Games Room

**Erik Morgan,**  
*1st year Psychology from London, ON*

**Professor:** Lynda Hutchinson  
**Place to study:** First floor of the library  
**Place to catch up with friends:** Either the games room or the cafeteria.

# The GROWTH

OF KING'S UNIVERSITY COLLEGE



Enrolment:  
approx. 750  
Students

Construction  
of townhouse  
residences



Construction  
of Christ the  
King College/  
Wemple  
building  
begins



Enrolment:  
2,356 Students

Alumni Court  
Residences  
Open

1954

1955

1970

1977

1991

1995



Enrolment:  
46 Students

Opening Day



Enrolment:  
1,196 Students

Purchase of  
Silverwood  
Mansion,  
eventually  
renamed  
to Dante  
Lenardon Hall



Enrolment:  
2,185 Students

Opening of  
Cardinal Carter  
Library



Enrolment:  
3,244 Students

Opening of  
Labatt Hall



Enrolment:  
3,669 Students

Opening of  
the Faculty  
Building



Opening of the  
Darryl J. King  
Student Life  
Centre

2003

2007

2008

2010

2012

2014



Enrolment:  
3,689 Students

Opening of  
Broughdale Hall



Enrolment:  
3,771 Students

Rental of Chapel  
at the Mount



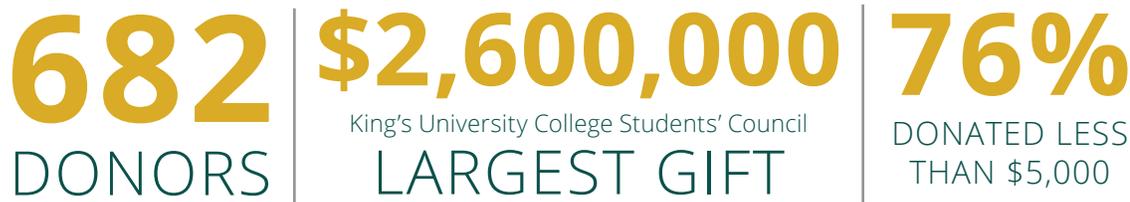
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# STUDENT LIFE CAMPAIGN NEWS

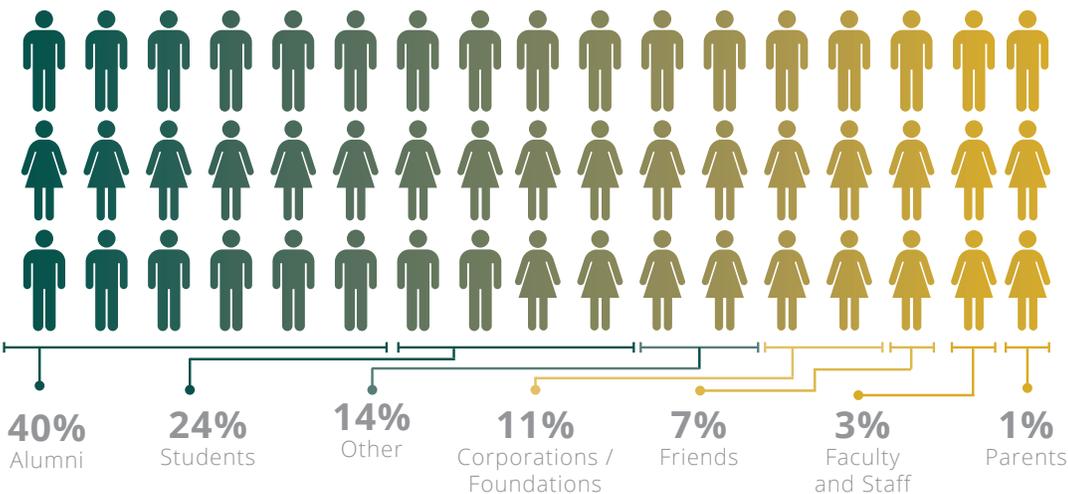
When the King's Foundation embarked on the Student Life Campaign in 2007, it marked the start of the most ambitious fundraising campaign in the history of the College. We are pleased to announce that, thanks to the generosity of our supporters, we have successfully reached our \$10.5 million goal. Here are some facts about the Student Life Campaign, the donors who supported it and the impact it has already made on the King's community.

## CAMPAIGN FACTS



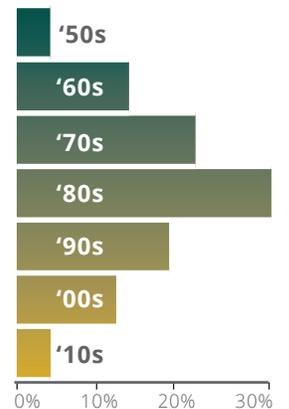
## WHO HELPED US REACH OUR \$10.5 MILLION GOAL?

% OF TOTAL GOAL RAISED BY GROUP



## Donors by Decade

% OF DONORS BY CLASS DECADE



## STUDENT AWARDS FACTS





King's University College  
**60 Years**  
of Making a Difference



## BUILDING FACTS - DARRYL J. KING STUDENT LIFE CENTRE

**\$14,700,000**

COST TO BUILD THE  
DARRYL J. KING STUDENT  
LIFE CENTRE

**\$9,000,000**

AMOUNT DONORS FUNDED  
FOR THE BUILDING

**88**

SEATS HAVE BEEN NAMED  
IN THE JOANNE AND PETER  
KENNY THEATRE

**105**

AVERAGE NUMBER OF  
STUDENTS IN THE KING  
CENTRE AT MIDNIGHT  
DURING WINTER EXAMS

LEED

**SILVER**

CERTIFIED

LEED stands for Leadership in Energy  
& Environmental Design and is an  
internationally recognized green  
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**DID YOU KNOW...**

The official opening of the  
King Centre was originally  
scheduled for January 7,  
2014, but was delayed by  
one day due to extreme  
weather conditions.

# EVENTS RECAP



## ▲ Homecoming

Homecoming 2014 took place over September 19 – 21, and welcomed alumni, donors and friends from across the globe back to King's. Anniversaries and reunions were celebrated across campus over the course of the weekend as King's commemorated its 60th anniversary.



## ▲► 19th Annual King's Golf Classic

On a chilly Monday, September 15, alumni and friends participated in the 19th annual King's Golf Classic at Highland Country Club. Despite some very close misses in the hole-in-one competition, the event was a tremendous success, raising over \$60,000 in support of the King's University College Foundation.





### ▲ Toronto Merry Hours

In keeping with annual tradition, the Toronto Alumni Chapter hosted its Merry Hours event in downtown Toronto on November 27 at the Rock 'n' Horse Saloon. Although no one dared to ride the bull, the "Christmas Cowboy/girl" competition was very well received.



### ▲ Giving Tuesday

On Tuesday, December 2, King's partnered with GivingTuesday.ca to celebrate a day of giving. In honour of the 60th anniversary, it was our goal to engage 60 donors. Not only did we reach this goal, but we exceeded it and raised more than \$9,000 in support of the Student Life Campaign. Students were also invited to give thanks to the many donors of King's by signing thank you cards. More than 150 cards were signed and are being mailed to annual fund donors.



### ▲ Toronto Networking Breakfast

Special thanks to alumna Alana Walker Carpenter '96 and KCI Ketchum Canada for hosting Toronto-area alumni for a breakfast networking event. Principal David Sylvester, Dr. JD Han, and Foundation and Alumni Director Erin Lawson, were joined by many Toronto chapter members as they started their day.



### ▲ Stratford Festival Trip

On Saturday, September 27, alumni and friends were treated to a special lecture by King's professors Dr. Ian Rae and Dr. Paul Werstine, before catching a matinee performance of *King Lear*, starring Colm Feore.

### Evening Breakfast

The King's University College Alumni Association was pleased to offer its first Evening Breakfast to students studying for exams. On Tuesday, December 9 at 10:00 p.m., more than 200 grateful students were lined up and waiting for French toast and sausages.

### ◀ The Killan Cup

The annual Killan Cup Hockey Tournament was hosted at King's on Saturday, January 31. Alumni and student teams competed for the Killan Cup, with alumni team "Arena Sta" winning once again this year. Many tournament regulars were in attendance, including "Hockey Team", "Team Fraser", "11 MacDonald", and others.

# UPCOMING ALUMNI EVENTS



APRIL  
**22**

## The Ottawa Chapter visits the Royal Canadian Mint

Wednesday, April 22, 5:00 p.m.

Ottawa-area alumni are invited to a private tour of the Royal Canadian Mint and a gathering at the Earl of Sussex Pub.



MAY  
**07**

## London Chapter Mystery Escape

Thursday, May 7, 7:00 p.m.

London area alumni will put their sleuthing skills to the test at Mystery Escape Rooms.

We will have to work together, finding hidden clues to solve the mystery that unlocks the room. Space is limited, so book your spot soon. Tickets are available at a special rate of \$15 per person.



MAY  
**01**

## Development Day: Connect. Grow. Lead.

Friday, May 1

A full-day professional development workshop, featuring keynote speaker Chris Bailey, productivity blogger and accidental social scientist, who will kick start the day with his session entitled *Productivity with a Purpose*. Development Day also features concurrent sessions led by industry leaders and will include plenty of networking opportunities during coffee breaks, a roundtable luncheon, and a closing wine and cheese reception.

# CHILL ICE HOUSE

JULY  
**18**

## Toronto Chapter Summer Reunion

Saturday, July 18, 1:00 p.m.

Toronto area alumni will beat the summer heat at the city's coolest bar, CHILL Ice House. Have a seat at the ice bar and join us for some cold drinks with bar manager and King's alumnus, Gresham Bayley '12.



MAY  
**02**

## Plan to visit on our May Open House

Saturday, May 2, 1:00 p.m.

Alumni, prospective students, neighbours and friends are invited to visit King's on May 2 for guided tours, information sessions and opportunities to chat with faculty and staff. Come see what's new at King's.



## SEPTEMBER 20th Annual King's Golf Classic

Monday, September 14

Join us for a very special anniversary edition golf tournament at Highland Country Club, London, in support of the King's University College Foundation. Register soon, as this event will sell out quickly! The cost is \$230 per golfer and includes a golfer gift, lunch, 18 holes of play, and a buffet dinner. For registration or sponsorship information, please contact [foundation@kings.uwo.ca](mailto:foundation@kings.uwo.ca)



SEPTEMBER **Hamlet at the Stratford Festival**

19

*Saturday, September 19, 11:00 a.m.*

Save the date for the Alumni Association's seventh annual Stratford Festival event. Prior to the performance of *Hamlet*, starring Festival favourite Jonathan Goad, and directed by Antoni Cimolino, guests will be treated to a catered lunch and insightful lecture by leading Shakespeare expert, Professor Paul Werstine '70. Tickets are \$125 and will sell out quickly, so reserve yours soon!



SEPTEMBER **Social Work Homecoming Wine and Cheese**

26

*Saturday, September 26*

Social Work graduates from years ending in 0 or 5 who wish to get an anniversary group together should contact Julie Siverns at [Julie.Siverns@kings.uwo.ca](mailto:Julie.Siverns@kings.uwo.ca) for assistance.



SEPTEMBER

25-26

Start planning your King's Homecoming 2015 now! Alumni with graduation years ending in 0 and 5 have a special incentive to attend, as it is their anniversary year. A full schedule of events is planned, including pub receptions, an Alumni Awards Brunch, seats at the Homecoming football game against Carleton, and Wings and Things back at King's. Stay tuned for more details, and see you at Homecoming!



The class of '66 is planning for their 50th Anniversary at Homecoming 2016. Those who graduated in '65, '66, and '67 are asked to save the date for this event, which will take place on Saturday, October 1, 2016.

For more information about these, and other, upcoming alumni events, please visit our website at [www.kings.uwo.ca/alumni](http://www.kings.uwo.ca/alumni) or contact the Office of Alumni Affairs at [alumni@kings.uwo.ca](mailto:alumni@kings.uwo.ca) or 1-800-265-4406 x4502

# ALUMNI PROFILE



## PAUL IRISH

By Paul Irish '76 (BA Psychology)



## WRITER'S DAUGHTER OCCUPIES SAME DORM ROOM HE DID MORE THAN 40 YEARS AGO

Paul Irish (left), his daughter Kelly and son Paul. Kelly lives in the same dorm room her dad lived in decades ago while studying at King's College at London's Western University

**W**hen my daughter chose to attend my alma mater - King's College at London's Western University - I'll admit I was more than a bit pleased.

My eldest son had graduated from the popular liberal arts college in 2011 and a second child attending would surely only enhance a shared family experience of what is truly an exciting adventure.

But I had no idea the sharing would be so deep, so significant - almost eerie.

By pure fluke - 42 years since my stay at King's - Kelly was assigned my old dorm room: same bed, same desk. When she studies, she now looks out "our" townhouse window and sees the same unchanged view I saw as a 19-year-old - a cluster of trees hugging the Thames River and a small hill we slid down in the winter using cafeteria trays as makeshift sleighs.

A huge maple that was probably there long before the college still blocks out the sky.

The same narrow path still runs under the window and, like then, is filled with laughter and banter as groups of students meander to the main building.

I know the odds aren't astronomical but - still - what a pleasant coincidence.

I was unable to take Kelly, who had just turned 18, to the college on her first day, but took solace knowing it wouldn't be long until we met again at the university's recent homecoming.

But, out of pure curiosity, (and when I knew she would be settled) I texted her to see how she was doing, asked who her roommate was and wondered where her room was.

*"I was silent - I hadn't been in that room in more than four decades."*

According to Jane Antoniak, the King's communications manager, there's a multitude of rooms at King's spread over 10 townhouses, another single unit residence (Alumni Court) and the main building. In all, there are 400 different residence spots when you consider each room takes two students.

I never requested that my daughter take my old quarters and she had no idea where I stayed way back in 1972. There aren't any records of who stayed where that long ago.

Kelly told me that her roommate was "great" and that she was already busy.

And then, almost as an aside, came the room number. I couldn't believe it. I thought she was joking.

I called her to make sure: there has been a bit of refurbishing and renovations at the college and I've learned things never stay the same.

I said I wouldn't believe it until I actually saw it but, sure enough, when I arrived for homecoming, Kelly met me and my son, Paul, now attending law school, at the front door of my old townhouse.

She threw open the door, we climbed the familiar stairs and walked right into "my" old room. She then jumped on the bed, spread her arms pointing to her surroundings and asked, "Well ... what do ya think?"

I was silent - I hadn't been in that room in more than four decades. I shared that tiny piece of property with lifelong friend Paul Beamish who I met in Grade 4. We are still close friends.

It was indeed a different time and place. There were no smart phones or laptops. We had a pay phone in the ground floor hallway and a tiny tape recorder that played a few pieces of music. Our wardrobe consisted of bell-bottoms and T-shirts and no one had a car. (I saw a Porsche parked in the student parking lot this time around).



I thought of all the characters in that townhouse and wondered where they ended up. We're all in our 60s now and it was a great first adventure for many of us.

Looking back, it didn't take much to make us happy and life was easy. If you really wanted to go to university, there was really nothing stopping you. There seemed to be a lot more money way back then and there were good jobs waiting for everyone when they finished. Now, competition for the best schools and programs is stiff and there's been a shift in attitude and even in the value of a general degree.

Kelly is in an undergraduate business program hoping to eventually get into the school's prestigious MBA program.

But, as I still believe, going away to university (if you are able to afford it or willing to go into debt) isn't always about a job.

I'd like to think a lot is about the pure experience, new horizons and meeting fascinating people. King's was great for that.

As I sat at my old desk, I thought of all the twists and turns that would bring Kelly to this same spot.

As I helped her bring some empty boxes out to my car, I took one last look around the grounds, gave her a hug and a kiss and told her to study hard and savour her new life.

She gave me a hug back and simply said, "I will."

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# LEADING BY GIVING BACK

## ENCOURAGING STUDENT SUCCESS THROUGH COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

*Staying connected with King's has always been important to Joanne, who graduated in 1996 with a BA in Political Science.*

Joanne McNamara's career has taken her up some well-known hills. From Parliament Hill to UC Hill at Western University, she has worked in high-profile offices with influential people, particularly during her time as Deputy Chief of Staff to Prime Minister Stephen Harper. Along with her vast professional experience, Joanne's contributions to the community have set her apart as both a leader and a mentor to others. Recently, after moving back to London to take on a new role as Executive Director, Strategic Projects in the President's Office at Western University, Joanne strengthened her involvement with King's by becoming one of the newest directors on the Foundation Board and a supporter of the Student Life Campaign.

Staying connected with King's has always been important to Joanne, who graduated in 1996 with a BA in Political Science. "It was at King's that I learned critical thinking and the importance of public service, nurtured within an inclusive, supportive community," recalls Joanne. "University is one of the first times in the life of a student where they are able to completely control their destiny, through courses taken, professors engaged and majors chosen."

Professors like Hugh Mellon and Tozun Bahcheli opened Joanne's eyes to international politics and Canada's role in the world, an interest which led her to 15 years of working and volunteering in various government positions. Throughout her career with the Government of Canada, Joanne regularly engaged with students through political science and history clubs, as well as events organized through the King's Office of Alumni Affairs. "I have had amazing opportunities in my career," notes Joanne. "Sharing my

experiences and inspiring students that they can achieve success in public service is the best way that I can give back."

Joanne recalls a recent discussion with a student who wants to become Prime Minister of Canada. "He told me that with my experience it would be great if I would come and work for him some day. Aiming high, thinking nothing is impossible if you work hard enough is the message he took from our conversation – nothing could possibly be more rewarding."

For Joanne, supporting King's as both a volunteer and a donor is an important part of her life. "I support King's with the hope that it will provide opportunities for students. I believe that people support their alma mater to make sure that every student who wishes to experience a university education will have the chance." In turn, Joanne hopes that students will learn the value of gaining work and life experiences through volunteering, particularly at the start of their career.

"I was responsible for Personnel and Administration in the Prime Minister's Office for a few years, and in that time I learned to spend more time looking at the volunteer section of a candidate's resume, before anything else. I came to learn that it was those who also gave back to their communities who would be the most dedicated and loyal employees."

King's has always provided students with opportunities to enhance their resumes through club involvement and extra-curricular options. Joanne's commitment to supporting students will allow present and future generations to pursue their passions, both in and out of the classroom. King's would like to welcome Joanne back to London and the Western community, and thank her for her ongoing support.

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# INSPIRING STUDENTS THE DR. J. WAY

By: Katelyn Clark,  
2nd year, English Language and Literature

The financial burden of post-secondary education can be an overwhelming feat for students and parents, and no one understands this more than Dr. Joe Michalski. “With four sons currently attending universities across the province, no one has to remind me that students (and parents) are feeling the financial crunch as they pursue higher education.” This is one of the many reasons why Joe created the “Dr. J. Sociology Award” and the “Dr. J. Criminology Award.” Joe hopes his scholarships will ease the financial burden for a few students each year and allow the students to perform better with fewer distractions on their plate.

A devoted sports fan and coach of various teams, Joe has included being part of an athletic team as one of the criteria for his awards. “I have seen firsthand the enormous pressures that student-athletes are under to balance academic and athletic commitments.” Joe perceives this as having two “full-time jobs” and wants to help student-athletes succeed by reducing their stress and allowing them to focus more effectively.

It is clear that Joe has a knack for philanthropy; however, his other passion comes from teaching students Sociology. “As a university professor, I have always believed that teaching is a noble profession or perhaps even a ‘calling.’ If I won the lottery tomorrow, that would be awesome – but I’d still be at work the next day, and for many years to come.”

As a social scientist, Joe studies a full range of human behaviour in order to understand and explain existing patterns; much like a physicist might study comets. Most of Joe’s research and course subject matter focuses on the darker aspects of the human conditions, such as criminal behavior, domestic violence, terrorism, and genocide. Nevertheless, Joe always tries to keep a positive attitude. He believes that knowledge acquired from these subjects can “influence the choices we make, how we anticipate and deal with potential problems, the policies we support, and the various utopian visions we all have of a better

world.” Joe describes himself as an “eternal optimist” and always tries to remember the phrase Kevin Garnett stated twice upon winning the NBA championship, “Anything’s possible!”

Joe’s optimistic attitude and passion for education continues to help him motivate and engage his students in and out of the classroom. “I tell them that I am still a student too, continually learning. I try to share with them my love for the process of scientific discovery and the ‘aha’ experience. I think they are inspired too by the passion I display regarding the work that I do.” He also motivates his students by reminding them of the Confucian adage to “find a job you love and you’ll never work a day in your life.”

Joe’s motivational techniques recently helped him inspire a student and created one of the most memorable teaching moments for him at King’s. “A student who had failed our required statistics course decided to try again. She was determined to be the first in her family to earn a university degree. She came to my office hours every single week for the entire semester with her homework completed, her textbook marked up beyond recognition, and prepared to ask questions. In December, she came by with her mother, some homemade Jamaican rum cake, a lovely poinsettia, and, best of all, the news that she had just graduated!”

When asked why students should consider majoring in Sociology, Joe states, “Why not study something you love, or at least a subject that you find incredibly interesting? Plus, as an added benefit, students will develop the research, analytic, computer, and writing competencies that will serve them well regardless of their field.”

Joe has found his passion in helping students achieve their dreams and will continue to encourage King’s graduates to “bring the magical alchemy of both confidence and compassion to their pursuits” for the rest of his teaching career.

*“...bring the magical alchemy of both confidence and compassion to their pursuits...”*

# ALUMNI VISITS

## AT KING'S AND AROUND THE WORLD

You never know where you might meet alumni. Whether at King's or in your hometown, on vacation, or at an event, we always enjoy catching up with alumni, hearing your stories and updating you on current happenings at King's.

If you're in the neighborhood, please stop in at King's and say hello! Principal David Sylvester and Erin Lawson, director of development and alumni affairs, regularly travel to different cities to connect with alumni. We hope you will consider joining us for a cup of coffee if we are visiting an area near you.



Dr. Pamela Cushing and Dr. John Heng met with alumnus **Paul Di Libero '12** at an event at the University of Toronto in October. Paul is currently at Osgoode Law School..



**Matthew Bak '10** toured the King Centre in September and shared news about his involvement with the charitable organization, Gainline Africa. Gainline Africa organizes rugby leagues in post-conflict communities in Uganda, using sport as a tool for social and community development. Matt is making his first trip to Uganda with Gainline Africa this spring.



Aaron Charbonneau (second from left) with (L-R) Erin Lawson, Renee Soulodre-LaFrance and David Sylvester.

**Aaron Charbonneau '09** dropped by the Office of Alumni Affairs in October while taking a break from performing with Cirque du Soleil. He is now touring and performing in *Amaluna*, which is inspired by Shakespeare's *The Tempest*.



Alumni husband and wife **Timothy Murray '88** and **Kimberly Curran '89** caught up with David and Erin in Toronto in January. They reminisced about their time at King's and shared some stories about their antics in residence.



**David Sheedy '06** was invited to speak to one of Dr. Pamela Cushing's classes in February 2015. While on campus, David took the opportunity to meet with David and Erin and tour the King Centre.



### Lyons Family Reception

Family and friends of Kay Lyons, and her late husband Chuck, came together in December to surprise Kay with the naming of the "Chuck and Kay Lyons Meeting Room" in the Darryl J. King Student Life Centre. Chuck and Kay's seven children and their families, many of whom have attended King's, made a donation to the Student Life Campaign in recognition of Chuck and Kay's love of family, as well as their support of Catholic education and King's.

### Vancouver

While visiting the west coast, David and Erin had the opportunity to catch up with alumni who are living and working in the Vancouver area.



Former Principal Dr. Gerry Killan bumped into **Bennett Brown '09** in San Juan del Sur, Nicaragua. Bennett is currently controller at the Village Maderas Resort at Playa Maderas.



**John Hall '59**



**Joel Kobylka '04**



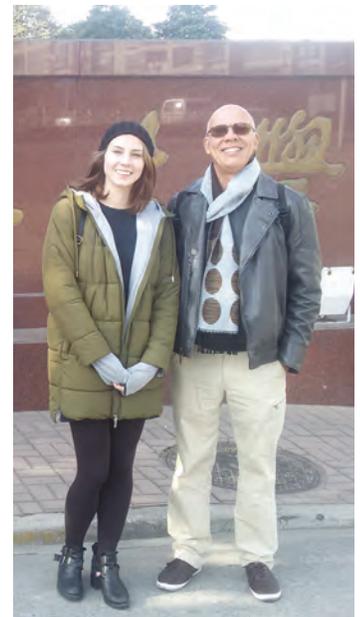
**Peter Moroney '85**



**Emilia Martin (nee Slowikowski) '04, Erica Timmerman '06, and Marissa MacGregor '12**



**Richard Vedan '68 and Grant Charles '80**



**Georgia Edell '13** met up with Dr. Sergjo Janczak in Shanghai. Georgia is currently completing her MBA in International Business.

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# MILESTONES

Share your latest milestones (job, marriage, birth announcements, etc.) in the next issue of the King's Herald by emailing your news to [alumni@kings.uwo.ca](mailto:alumni@kings.uwo.ca). Photos are welcome, space permitting.

**Terry Grand '74** retired as Superintendent for the London District Catholic School Board. Terry stayed in residence for his first year at King's in 1971-72, but took most classes at Western. He remembers making wonderful friends at King's and would like to try to get in touch with them again.

**Alicia Czekierda '75** retired in 2012 from the Ministry of Education and also as trustee on OPTrust Pension Plan.



**Ed Struzik '77** ▲ author and photographer, has published two new books. *Arctic Icons: How the Town of Churchill Learned to Love its Polar Bears* was released in September 2014, and *Future Arctic: Field Notes from a World on the Edge* was released in January 2015. Ed has been writing about the Arctic for three decades.



**Brent Shea '80** ▲ '80 was appointed by the Governor General of Canada as a Member of the Order of Merit of the Police Forces. After 35 years with London Police Service, Brent will retire as deputy police chief in July 2015.

**John Traynor '87** was appointed Chief Operating Officer of C-Labs LLC in Redmond, Washington.

**Nadia Mazaheri '89** '89 joined the Ontario Public Service in 2000, and established three research and program evaluation units in: Correctional Services (in collaboration with Jeff Wright '87, BSW), Ministry of Children and Youth Services (in collaboration with Jeff) and Youth Justice Services. She retired in July 2014 to spend more time with family, including her grandchild in BC.

**Romeo Tolentino '92** is ministering as the Priest-Chaplain for St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto, ON, as of Jan. 1, 2015.

**Catherine Vitkauskas '93** has been appointed Vice-Principal Advancement at Brescia University College.



**Courtney Petch '05** ▲ and her husband Marek Wlochowicz are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Aimee Aurora Wlochowicz Petch who arrived on June 17, 2014.

**Andrew Jardine '06** ▼ and his wife Erin, and their children Aidan, Claire and Michael are overjoyed to announce the arrival of Joseph Lawrence Jardine, who was born on November 24, 2014, in London, ON.



**Justin Carter '09** is married and has launched two new businesses: Aging Hipster Consulting and NationWorks.



**Diana Edwards (nee Tovar Ramirez) '09** ▲ and her husband Dr. Jeffery Edwards welcomed Maximiliano Jose Edwards on October 11, 2014, in London, ON.



**Lilka Young (nee Krempien) '09** ▲ ▼ completed a Master's degree in Environment and Sustainability from Western University in 2011. In July 2011, she married her high school sweetheart Brad Young, and in February 2014, they welcomed their beautiful baby girl, Delilah Young.



# MILESTONES

**Alexandra Williamson '11** graduated from law school (JD) from the University of Windsor in June 2014 and began articling at Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP on August 5.



**Brittany Garrard-Amos '12** ▲ married Timothy Amos on August 31, 2014, in Hamilton, ON.

**Michael Potters '12** and his business partner Jake Van Buskirk recently pitched Parachute Coffee, a coffee subscription service, on Next Gen Den, Dragons' Den for an online world. Watch the episode at [www.cbc.ca/dragonsden/blog/next-gen-den-pitch-parachute-coffee](http://www.cbc.ca/dragonsden/blog/next-gen-den-pitch-parachute-coffee) to find out if the Dragons invested in their company.

**Bi Kun Qi '14** began working at Ivey Publishing in November 2014.

**Megan Van Sickle '14** is working in Vancouver with the Canada Revenue Agency as an auditor apprentice leading to a permanent auditor position.



**Kaitlin Van Herk '13 and Eric Wood '13** ▲ were married on January 2, 2015. Kaitlin is currently studying at Western, and will soon complete the compressed time frame BSc in Nursing. Eric is working full time for TD bank.

## IN MEMORY

We extend our condolences to the friends and family of:

**Thomas Drynan '61**, who passed away in Hamilton, ON, on June 25, 2014

**Peter Brennan '65**, who passed away suddenly on September 22, 2014

**Gerald Van Koeverden '70**, who passed away at his home in Thamesville, ON, on December 1, 2014

**David Alan Armstrong '71**, who passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family in Toronto, ON, on January 17, 2015

**Evelyn Lee (nee MacTavish) '71**, who passed away peacefully at Westmount Gardens in London, ON, on February 1, 2015

**Peter Bissell '73**, who passed away at Parkwood Hospital in London, ON, on December 3, 2014

**Mary Ann Heggarty (nee McLaughlin) '73**, who passed away at her home in London, ON, surrounded by her family on November 17, 2014

**James Walker '73**, who passed away at his home in Hay River, NWT on September 10, 2014

**Michael Banks '76**, who passed away peacefully on July 26, 2014. Michael is fondly remembered by many King's alumni for his "hoax of the century", which was featured in the spring 2012 issue of the King's Herald.

**Sharon O'Gorman (nee Kowalczyk) '79**, who passed away with her family by her side on September 1, 2014

**Maureen Rourke '83**, who passed away peacefully, surrounded by her loving family, on February 13, 2015

**David Roby '85**, who passed away peacefully at home on February 14, 2015

**Patrick O'Bright '87**, who passed away on January 30, 2015. Pat was a valued member of the King's family, working in the maintenance department for many years. While working at King's, Pat earned his BA at the age of 58. Upon retirement Pat was involved in many community activities and was a long standing member of the Strathroy Horticultural Society.

### In Memory of Pat O'Bright

*Do not mourn when I go,  
Like the birds I must fly  
To a better place in the sky  
Rest In Peace is what I crave,  
To be with God in eternal rest.  
That is Heaven with the Best  
It has been a good time here below,  
Now I yearn for the Heaven above,  
Where Love is forever more  
Do not mourn When I go*

**By: Pat O'Bright**

**Written: January 12, 2003**

**Mary Catherine Turner '04**,



King's student development assistant, who passed away at St. Joseph's Hospice on September 6, 2014. Catherine will be fondly remembered for her warm

personality, calming presence, sense of humour and appreciation of service to the greater community.

**Dr. Hugh Mellon**, who passed away on August 10, 2014.



Dr. Mellon was a professor of Political Science at King's for more than 20 years. A much-loved member of the King's community,

he will be forever remembered for his modesty, sunny personality, generosity of spirit and good humour. He will be greatly missed by the many colleagues, friends and students that he mentored.

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