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President's Message

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Provost Douglas Kneale Steps Down After Seven Years

Served as the 8th Provost of the UW, the most popular person on campus for the students, staff and faculty. He always wanted to hear their views, so held a Provosts' corner in various parts of the university

After 38 years in academia he has decided to transition in his career. Joining the university

in 2015 , he has been instrumental in leading several successful areas of focus such as major hiring initiatives; the Provost's Task Force on Experiential Learning; a Student Mental Health strategy; and efforts to enhance community-engaged practice. Dr. Kneale also served as Interim President & Vice-Chancellor of the University from July 2018 through August 2019. President Robert Gordon and the University thanks Dr. Kneale for the institution and in wishing him all the best in the future.

Recently , the Windsor University Retirees Association conferred on Douglas, the **FRIEND OF WURA Award for his service to WURA.** Congratulations Dr Douglas.

The University community wishes retiring Provost much rest, freedom and an enjoyable time





UWindsor president Robert Gordon announced that Patricia Weir has accepted an appointment as acting provost effective May 1, As dean of graduate studies for the past decade, Dr. Weir has worked with units across campus to support student development, success, mental health, and career planning, and to ensure efficiency and procedural fairness, he noted. “With a long history in academic governance, and in provincial and national leadership roles, Dr. Weir has built a robust national network which will support informed decision making in her new role. She is a passionate advocate for the University, with a deep and nuanced understanding of our campus and local communities, and possesses a proven track record in working with and learning from students, staff,



Professor Berryman Returns To Law

After five years as Associate Vice President, Academic, Prof. Jeff Berryman, has decided to return to his first passion and discipline, law, focusing on a number of key projects including authoring the 3rd edition of *The Law of Equitable Remedies* and completing research on non-pecuniary damages for emotional loss experienced in the commercial sphere.

Professor Berryman is a Distinguished University Professor in the faculty of law, where he has been on faculty for the past 30 years. As AVP, Academic, he oversaw the reform of the faculty promotion and tenure criteria templates, the development and implementation of a curriculum services model in the Centre for Teaching and Learning, successful implementation of the President’s Indigenous Peoples Scholars program, and efforts that support the enhancement of community engagement.

He will be formally transitioning from his role on June 30, 2021 but will continue to act in a special advisor role for some university initiatives through October 31, 2021.



Acting Dean of Graduate Studies

Dr Debbie Kane who served as Associate Dean for the past six years has accepted the appointment of acting dean making her well positioned to replace Dr Patti Weir, who is serving as acting provost.

Dr. Selinda Berg

Will take on the role of University Librarian effective July 1, 2021. She has been the Associate university librarian at the Leddy library,



where she holds the primary portfolio for faculty and academic affairs and departmental portfolios for systems and informative services.

Ms Berg received the 2019 Award of Merit from the Canadian Association of Research Libraries for her sustained leadership in building research capacity within Canada’s academic libraries. Her active research program intersects with her professional interests in equity, diversity and inclusion; institutional and community partnerships; research culture in academic libraries, and the professional identity of libraries.

New Dean of Human Kinetics Appointed



Dr. Linda Rohr currently Dean of the School of Human Kinetics and Recreation at Memorial University of New Foundland will be the new dean of the Faculty of Human Kinetics at the University of

Windsor, as announced by the Provost Dr. Douglas Kneale, effective July 1, 2021

New Dean Of Engineering To Take Charge in September

Dr. Van Heyst currently a professor in the School of Engineering and Associate Dean for external relations in the College of Engineering and Physical Sciences at the University of Guelph, will take up the office of Dean of the UWindsor Faculty of Engineering effective September 1, Provost Dr. Douglas Kneale announced.

Dr. Kneale described Van Heyst as an experienced administrator and recognized educator.

“His vision for the faculty-improving the world through engineering to be a better planet for our children- illustrates his desire for ensuring long-term sustainability for the Faculty of Engineering and for the benefit of the University and the greater community,” Dr. Kneale wrote in a message to the campus community.

Plans are in place for a follow-up appointment soon about an acting dean for the months July and August.

Biology Professor Gets \$ 30,000 for Cancer Work

Dr. Andrew Swan received the grant to study a protein associated with cell growth in identifying a treatment for cancer. He thinks the fruit flies hold key to unlocking cancer mystery. He uses the fruit flies the tiny insect attracted to ripe bananas and discarded apple cores to unlock the mystery of cancer in humans. The protein is tuberlin which is involved in cell division which is the key in cancer.



Dr Beverly Jacobs



accepts an appointment as Acting Dean of the Faculty of Law through June 30.

Law professor Myra Tawfik is The Inaugural Don Rodzik Family Chair in Law and Entrepreneurship.

The Faculty of Law is delighted to announce the appointment of Myra Tawfik as the inaugural Don Rodzik Family Chair in Law and Entrepreneurship, the law faculty’s first endowed chair. Professor Tawfik, who holds the rank of Distinguished University Professor, is an expert in intellectual property law with an extensive background of research, teaching, community outreach, and policy development in intellectual property education for start-ups and entrepreneurs. The appointment is effect



tive July 1, for a five-year term.

“I am truly honoured to have been selected as the inaugural Don Rodzik Family Chair and am grateful to the Rodzik family for their commitment to advancing research and community engagement at the intersection of law and entrepreneurship,” says Tawfik, who has been a professor at the University of Windsor since 1991. “I look forward to the many opportunities that this chair provides to support the entrepreneurship ecosystem in this region

Alumni Sheila Wright Receives Ontario Volunteer Service Award .



The University of Windsor Alumni Association has nominated Sheila Wright (BA 1961) as a 2021 recipient of the Ontario Volunteer Service Award in recognition of her long record with the association and the University.

The awards recognize volunteers for providing committed and dedicated service to an organization, with recipients receiving a stylized trillium service pin and a personalized certificate to acknowledge their years of service.

Wright, a former member of the association's board of directors currently serving on the alumni awards committee and the executive committee of the Alumni Sports Hall of Fame, will be honoured for the milestone of 15 years of service.

Sheila Wright retired from a 34-year teaching career focused on history and physical and health education during which she coached basketball, volleyball, track and field, gymnastics, and synchronized swimming.

As Director on the Alumni Board, recognizes distinguished alumni in the early years of their career. Wright's other campus causes include support for the Faculty of Education, Head Start, and Convocation — not to mention Lancer athletics.

"Wright's previous honours include the 2009 Clark Award, the 2011 A-Award, and the 2019 Richard Peddie Award. She will join other local recipients of the Ontario Volunteer Service Awards at a conferral ceremony this fall.



Second Honorary Degree For Dr. EIMaraghy

Calling her "an inspiration for women in research and engineering around the world," Denmark's Aalborg University conferred an honorary doctorate on Dr. Hoda EIMaraghy, professor of Industrial and Manufacturing Systems Engineering, in an online ceremony April 15.

Aalborg's Faculty of Engineering and Science noted Dr. EIMaraghy's contributions to the development of modern manufacturing systems. A distinguished university professor of industrial and manufacturing systems engineering and director of the Intelligent Manufacturing Systems Centre, she pioneered the use of "learning factories" in teaching and research. A "Smart Production Lab" at Aalborg University was inspired by her work.

.This is the second honorary doctorate received by EIMaraghy; the first was in 2013 from Chalmers University in Sweden.

Membership Dues for 2021

25 per year
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Campus To Be Smoke-Free This Fall

In fall 2021 the University of Windsor will join a growing number of post-secondary institutions in becoming an entirely smoke-free campus.

The process began in March 2020 as the University reached out to the campus community for help in shaping the Smoke-Free Campus policy and its associated education, awareness raising, supports, and enforcement strategies. The initiative was temporarily put on hold as the University moved to an essential services model in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

According to a recent report from the Canadian Cancer Society, more than 95 Canadian universities and colleges are now 100 per cent smoke-free. As the University continues planning for a safe and gradual return to campus, the timing is now right to move forward with this important community health initiative.

Becoming a smoke-free campus — which includes tobacco, cannabis and vaping — is a significant milestone in the University's ongoing effort to foster a healthy and safe learning and working environment for all. As well, it provides an opportunity to enhance awareness about the health risks associated with tobacco use, cannabis use, and vaping.

A smoke-free campus also provides a physical environment that supports individuals in their efforts to resist or quit smoking. There will be some exceptions to the policy, including burning of the traditional and sacred medicines that are part of Indigenous cultural and spiritual practices.

To plan and prepare for this change to campus, the University established a steering committee as well as two working groups with representation from students, staff, faculty, and subject-matter experts. The information gathered through the campus consultation activities held in 2020 will shape the work of the steering committee and working groups.

In the coming months, as the Smoke-Free Campus policy is drafted, members of the campus community will have an opportunity to provide additional feedback. Throughout the process, questions, ideas, and concerns can be shared through the "Share Your Thoughts" online form on the Smoke-Free Campus website: www.uwindsor.ca/smokefreecampus.

Did you know?

Smoking remains one of the leading causes of preventable death in Canada, with 37,000 Canadians dying from smoking related conditions annually (the Lung Association of Ontario, 2018);

Second-hand smoke causes more than 800 heart disease and lung cancer deaths in Canada annually (Health Canada);

Studies have determined that an individual's health will begin to improve as soon as 20 minutes after quitting.

Tuition Guarantee For International Students

The University of Windsor is providing financial predictability for international students and their families by guaranteeing stability in their tuition for the duration of their program.

The **UWindsor International Tuition Guarantee** removes economic uncertainty for all international students, excluding those covered by the U.S. Neighbour rate. It will make the costs of studying abroad more predictable, easier to plan for, and more manageable for international students — especially during the pandemic.

All international students starting in Summer 2021 and onward will be automatically assigned a cohort year. For international students who registered before Summer 2021, the University has committed to freeze all international tuition rates: any students who began their UWindsor studies before the Summer 2021 term will see no increase in their tuition.

IN MEMORIAM

Mary DeMarco died peacefully at home with family on February 25, 2021, at the age of 94. Mary was born in Toronto, the eldest of nine children. Her mother Anna emigrated from Sicily in 1925 to marry Antonino (Tony).

In 1948 she married Frank DeMarco and moved to Windsor to join Frank who had begun his teaching career at Assumption University in 1946. Their first child was born in 1949, followed by 11 more, to make an even six girls and six boys

Over the years Mary loved both hosting and attending the numerous family gatherings. As the grandchildren multiplied, so did the family visits. Many of her grandchildren's fondest memories are of painting with their Nana on the "back porch" at Oakleigh. She is fondly remembered by 26 grandchildren. She also missed by 13 great-grandchildren and counting.

Even after having a houseful of children, she carved out time to attend evening art classes, as well as enrolling in courses of art, language, and art history. Once all the children had finally left home, she loved to sketch with a group of friends. Charming and historic homes and nature themes were among her favourite subjects. Over the years, with the help of Frank as chief frame-maker, she raised thousands of dollars for charity through her art exhibitions.

She lived long enough to see her husband, Frank, reach his centennial birthday on February 14, 2021. They celebrated together with a virtual family gathering in their home.

Special heart-felt gratitude goes to Dan and Kim and their children to enable Mary to stay in her own home through illness over the last several years. Ella Muzzin has given Mary and Frank tremendous support and friendship over the years. We have also been blessed to have many wonderful support workers lending a hand from Amy's Helping Hands and the LHIN.

Kenneth G Pryke In 1963 Ken and I came to the UWindsor. We became close friends and our families met socially, enjoying dinners and a game of bridge. Some Bridge nights we had several couples. Kathleen, Ken's wife was an amazing cook and specialist in candies. The late Dr. Leddy, complimented the class of 63 faculty hires as giving the university, five Deans, one VP and a Interim President.

Ken succeeded me in 1975, as President of the Faculty Association, and actively promoted unionization, which eventually led to certification. He received his B.A. from Carleton in History and later M.S. and Ph.D. from Duke University. He taught briefly at the Royal Military College and Laurentian University before returning to the University of Windsor, where he displayed exemplary commitment and success from 1963 until—indeed beyond his retirement in 1997, innovative, collegial, and collaborative, he was everything a university professor should be.

His research speciality was history of nineteenth-century Canada, particularly Nova Scotia and he was a committed researcher and scholar with a national reputation. To quote one former student, now a senior history professor herself, "I would not be doing what I do had it not been for Ken. As a teacher his wit and eye for the unusual inspired us always to take a second look at what we thought we knew".

Ken was also strongly committed to service. Active in university affairs, he served as Department Head 1975-78 and 1992-1997, on the Senate, Research Board, Faculty Association Executive, and externally on the OCUFA, CAUT and CURAC. serving as a member of the Organizing Committee of the National Conference of CURAC (2005) in Windsor. Ken was an active member of WURA (Windsor University Retirees Association) for 25 years and attended all functions. He never missed once to affectionately enquire about the family and how I was doing. He was one of my dear friends, whom I miss very much after a 58 year friendship.

MACKENDRICK, LOUIS K. “Kim” PhD

Passed away on February 4, 2021 at the age of 80 years. Loving husband and best friend to Catherine, with whom he celebrated 54 years of marriage. Loving father to Kenneth ,Sarah ,and Andrew . Granddaddy to Natasha and Greta MacKendrick. Kim will be missed by his friends, colleagues, and his family at St. Matthew's Church.

As an English Professor at the University of Windsor for 29 years, he specialized in the study of Canadian Poetry and Literature. He was a wonderfully gifted teacher and came alive in the classroom. For decades camping trips to Killarney Provincial Park were spent with family where he said "we met God". Kim was known for his wonderful sense of humour, his gift for gab, and how he could put people at ease.

The family extends grateful thanks to the staff at Huron Lodge for their special care. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to Windsor Essex Alzheimer Society and St. Matthew's Anglican Church would be appreciated.

ANTHONY FARIA Tony Faria, the University of Windsor marketing professor who created the school's Office of Automotive and Vehicle Research and sounded the alarm over the future of the industry in Canada, has died. He was 78.

A graduate of Michigan State University, Faria initially worked in the private sector, including as a buyer for then-DaimlerChrysler in the company's parts distribution centre in Centerline, Michigan.

Then he went back to school, earned an MBA and a PhD, and joined the faculty at the University of Windsor in 1975.

He created an important body of research on the automotive industry, tracking investment in Canadian plants and signalling the decline of the industry in this country.

In addition to his expertise, he was very accessible, and the local auto experts and the local and

national media regularly sought his take on industry developments. He still followed the industry closely and was sought after for comment even after his retirement in 2012.

JULIAN R. CATTANEO Julian Cattaneo passed away at home on April 3, 2021, in Windsor, Ontario at the age of 78 surrounded by his immediate family. He was born in Mar del Plata, province of Buenos Aires, Argentina. He is survived by his wife Vivian Cattaneo (née Schachert), to whom he was a devoted husband for 53 years. Beloved father to son Ben and daughter Jessica.

Julian immigrated to Canada with his family in 1977. He felt honoured upon becoming a Canadian citizen in 1987. Julian completed his PhD at the University of Michigan and joined the Faculty of Business Administration (now the Odette School of Business) of the University of Windsor in July 1980.

A demanding but caring teacher, Julian taught International Management, He held senior positions at the Odette School of Business and the University of Windsor, including Director of International Affairs and Vice-President of Research. He was instrumental in establishing the Executive MBA, Master of Management and one-year MBA for graduates in Business.

He taught Human Resource Management at the Canadian Executive MBA at the Warsaw School of Economics. He belonged to the Royal Scottish Country Dancing Society in Windsor where he danced for more than 20 years. Julian enjoyed the arts, loved classical music, and was a long-time member of the Windsor Symphony Orchestra.

We thank Dr. Hakam Abu-Zahra and his wife Maureen for his support and guidance. In accordance with Julian's wishes, there will be no funeral. Instead, a tree will be planted in his honour. Cremation has taken place.

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WURA President's Message

GREETINGS WURA MEMBERS!

Welcome To Spring

Who would have thought that in mid-March 2020, we would still be in this pandemic more than 1 year later? I hope that you are keeping-safe and healthy during this time. Now, we have received our first vaccine, with our second one coming up. Please continue to follow the Basic Health Guidelines!

The WURA Executive continues to meet monthly, since last September. We will again not be able to schedule our Spring Meeting, and not sure about the Fall AGM. WURA members may now pay their WURA dues online, also by cheque. Click on: "Join/Renew Your Membership" in the WURA website.

This winter, to socially engage with our WURA members, the WURA Social Committee has started some social activities using Zoom. In February, we had an initial "Meet-and-Greet" session; some 20 members connected and communicated. In March, we had a "St. Pat's Celebration", with music, Irish poems and 30 attendees. In April, we had a "Book Sharing", with a "FRIEND of WURA" Award given to Dr. Douglas Kneale. On May 26th, we will have a "Talent Show". Please let us know your interests! As we become more proficient with Zoom, we can possibly discuss more non-trivial WURA issues. I look forward to seeing many of you this semester on Zoom. Stay safe!

Roger C. Lauzon, President, WURA

Retiree Travel Fund

Applications are due on March 1 every year

For activities occurring between March 1 of the year of application through February 28/29 of the following year.

Applications do not require the signature of Department Heads or Deans

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