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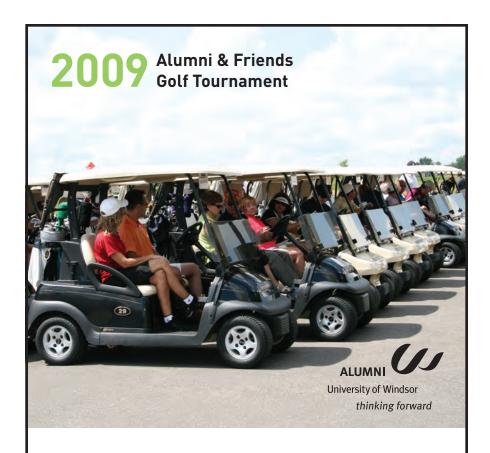
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DEAR VIEWER

Convocation is one of the highlights of the academic year. It is a great privilege to share the stage with Chancellor Edward Lumley and greet the graduates who are there to receive their degrees. A lot of hard work and expense goes into the completion of a degree, or of any postsecondary qualification, and the ceremony provides an opportunity for families and friends to be with the graduates as they cross the finish line. The Chancellor and I ask the new alumni as they are passing by us on the stage what they plan to do next, and the answers are fascinating. Some have jobs lined up either in Windsor, or far across Ontario, Canada and beyond. Some are planning further education at UWindsor or elsewhere, and some are beginning to look for a job. The event is both ceremonial and meaningful.

And during the past few months there have been opportunities to hold events and meet our alumni in Vancouver, Calgary and Toronto. These gatherings provided them with a chance to recall their days at the University of Windsor, and perhaps their own convocation. The events also provided alumni with a chance to turn the tables and ask me what I plan to do next. The response to this question can be one of pointing to some of our major successes, such as the nationally recognized programs in dramatic art highlighted in this issue of *VIEW*, and emphasizing that we will do all we can to keep them at the forefront in Canada.

It also provides an opportunity to point to milestones that are going to change the look and feel of the campus in the future. A very significant milestone occurred in May of this year, when we learned that we were being awarded \$40 million from the federal Knowledge Infrastructure Program as a contribution to the new Engineering building that will soon be under construction. This investment, along with the \$40 million received from the provincial government, will allow us to place a new landmark facility on our campus. This new building will provide an exceptional educational facility for our students, and new research labs for our faculty. It will also house an industrial centre where we can help drive new manufacturing innovation for our region. Step by step, the University of Windsor is getting ready for the next 50 years of producing great alumni and doing what it needs to do for our region and for the world.

ALAN WILDEMAN
President and Vice-Chancellor



Dr. Alan Wildeman





WHAT PRICE **DEVELOPMENT?**

The extravagant real estate developments in Dubai are striking for their sheer magnitude and staggering opulence.

Dissatisfied with the amount of available beachfront property, and in an attempt to lure wealthy tourists looking for an exclusive getaway, developers spent billions to create four artificial islands. Viewed from the air, they look like massive palm trees and a map of the planet.

"They're basically increasing their coastline," said Dr. Ken Drouillard, an associate professor in the University of Windsor's Great Lakes Institute for Environmental Research (GLIER). "They went from having 60 kilometres of coastline to about 1,000 kilometres. Dubai doesn't have a lot of oil money, but it's become the commerce capital of the United Arab Emirates, so it's sinking a lot of money into tourism."

The latest project – grandiloquently referred to as The World – cost \$1.8 billion, covers about 54 square kilometres and consists of almost 300 private islands. Starting price for one is about US\$7 million.

All of the islands have been formed with sediment dredged from offshore in the Arabian Gulf, and Drouillard is part of a four-member research team examining the environmental impact of the development. He has travelled to Dubai seven times since 2003, and in 2007 he began working on the current \$3.5-million research project.

Drouillard deals with benthic systems – the interaction of sediment and water, as well as any contaminants that may be present. At about 7,000 years old, the Arabian Gulf is a fairly young system, he says. Prior to filling with water, it was a vast desert and, as a result, has a sandstone cap at the bottom of its shallower sections. Crews have been drilling through that cap and dredging out the sediment beneath for the material to form the islands.

"This material has been isolated for a considerable period of time," Drouillard says. "We were concerned that, because of the oil in the area, it might contain trace metals or aromatic hydrocarbons and they can be carcinogenic."

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DR. KEN DROUILLARD

He adds: "It turns out that wasn't as much of an issue as we thought, but the sediment is carbon-rich and oxygendepleted, which could result in a lot of organic carbons leaching and being distributed throughout areas with lowflow conditions. That might result in a lot of bacterial growth, as well as the development of hydrogen sulphide, which is toxic to humans. So we're mapping out the concentration of organic carbons

throughout the whole region."

The four-metre deep trenches, dug only 700 metres off-shore to form the first of the islands, are filling back in with highly organic, enriched material, as well as the brine that is pumped back in from the desalination plants used to supply the area's residents with fresh drinking water. Drouillard says a storm could wash much of that material back up on shore, which would pose a major environmental problem.

One unexpected positive part of the development, however, is the growth of new coral reefs in the shallow areas around the islands, which are being colonized by increased numbers and varieties of tropical fish.

The project is being led by UWindsor Professor Emeritus Peter Sale, who is now working with the Canadian arm of United Nations University. Other team members include Professor Charlie Trick from the University of Western Ontario, and Professor Björn Kjerfve, from Texas A&M.

The goal is to identify areas of concern to enable development of a management plan, which may consist of engineering solutions, such as structures or dredging plans to ensure proper water flow and which minimize environmental problems that may be caused by the project.

The research, which wraps up next March, is largely funded by Nakheel Corporation, the government—owned developer building the project.

"They're trying to develop a sustainable policy," Drouillard says. "The things that are consistent with environmental quality are consistent with good tourism. People want good clean water to drink and to swim in."



A TAXING PROPOSITION

THE CANADA REVENUE AGENCY (CRA)
PROCESSES 26 MILLION INDIVIDUAL TAX
RETURNS EACH YEAR, AND ANOTHER 1.6 MILLION
CORPORATE RETURNS. EVEN ASSUMING A 99.9
PER CENT SATISFACTION RATE, THERE COULD BE
POTENTIALLY 26.000 COMPLAINTS A YEAR.

Paul J. Dubé LLB '90 is Canada's first Taxpayer's Ombudsman, a three-year position initiated in 2008 to deal with complaints ranging from rude CRA staff to taxpayers who have been subjected to unfair or inconsistent application of policies or procedures.

Some of those complaints can be heart-wrenching.

One man suffering from an inoperable brain tumour lost many of his tax records in a house fire in 2005. The CRA charged him penalties and interest on his personal income tax account as a result of not filing returns on time. The taxpayer asked for relief under the *Income Tax Act*. The applications for income tax and GST relief were processed in two different offices; one granted relief, the other did not. Dubé reviewed the file and found there was an apparent lack of fairness and the CRA granted the taxpayer's request, cancelling the penalties and interest.

In another case, the CRA suspended Canada Child Tax Benefits to a single mother after asking for documented proof that her children were born in Canada. The dispute lasted for months and the taxpayer – who relied on the benefits to make ends meet – faced foreclosure on her home. Her complaint to the ombudsman led to a reversal by the CRA, which issued her a \$38,000 benefits cheque.

Canada established Dubé's office when it introduced the Taxpayers' Bill of Rights in 2007. Its mandate is to:

- Provide an impartial, efficient and effective system for handling service complaints;
- Help improve the quality of, and public confidence in, CRA service by identifying and investigating service and fairness issues, regardless of whether he receives complaints;
- · Facilitate taxpayers' access to the CRA;
- Develop community awareness of the ombudsman and services he provides;
- Develop with the CRA an understanding of his role;
- · Help the CRA maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of its

own internal complaint handling systems, and

• Make recommendations directly to the Minister of National Revenue on how CRA service can be improved.

The last point, which Dubé describes as dealing with systemic issues, will have the biggest impact on taxpayers and will be the next step in the process as he settles into his position.

Dubé is aware of the main criticism of his role is that it lacks teeth to force change.

He contrasts his effectiveness to that of judges, who have power, though they have to operate within a large number of rules and restrictions. He says his is the power of "moral suasion" and the "power to report".

If the CRA chooses not to follow one of his recommendations, he says, the agency would have to explain that to the public. "I think that's pretty considerable power in itself." Dubé says his presence alone can act as a deterrent to poor service, in the same way that a police officer parked at the side of a road can curtail speeders.

Dubé's grounding in access to justice issues has been a hallmark of a successful career that began at UWindsor. "My awareness of social justice issues was really heightened during my time at the University of Windsor," he says, citing work with the disadvantaged and legal access issues while there.

While a student at UWindsor, Dubé received the Cassels, Brock & Blackwell LLP Centennial Prize in Practice Skills for showing exceptional ability in understanding and pursuing skills essential to a legal practitioner.

"Windsor Law strives to install the obligation of public service," says Dubé's former professor, John Weir. "Alumni accomplishments, such as Paul Dubé's and others, provide inspiration and role models for all of our students and grads."

The ombudsman says his sense of social justice carried on throughout his career, including 13 years as a defence lawyer in New Brunswick where he handled high-profile homicide and narcotics cases and gained a reputation as an advocate, especially of the economically disadvantaged. In 2003, he was a co-recipient of the Canadian Bar Association's Pro-Bono Award.

Dubé will take his mission on the road to spread the word about his office. He hopes to hold a public outreach session in Windsor in the fall.

"I always used to say that a right doesn't do you much good if you don't know about it," says Dubé.

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PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING IS AN IMPORTANT TOOL IN CANCER FIGHT

A UWindsor scientist acclaimed for her work in the fight against cancer has also become one of the community's most recognized boosters for support.

In her laboratories at the University of Windsor, Biology Professor Lisa Porter is learning how a recently discovered protein may be implicated in breast cancer and the implications for improved treatments for the disease.

The protein, named Spy1, is referred to as Speedy around the laboratory.

"Speedy has a function in normal development of the mammary gland, but we have found high levels of Speedy in human breast cancer, says Dr. Porter. "This suggests Speedy could be a target in the treatment of breast cancer in the future."

The Canadian Cancer Society and the Canadian Breast Cancer Research Alliance share her belief that it is important to learn more about the link between Speedy and breast cancer. The agencies recently announced they will provide \$750,000 in additional funding for Porter and her team to pursue their research over the next five years.

This new research grant brings total financial support for her projects to \$2.3 million since she moved from

"EVERYONE IS INTERESTED IN CANCER RESEARCH BECAUSE EVERYONE HAS BEEN TOUCHED BY THIS DISEASE. IT COULD BE THEMSELVES, SOMEONE IN THEIR FAMILY, A FRIEND, A COLLEAGUE, OR A NEIGHBOUR. THIS IS WHY WINDSOR HAS A HUGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ARE ACTIVE IN FIGHTING CANCER."

UNIVERSITY OF WINDSOR BIOLOGY PROFESSOR DR. LISA PORTER

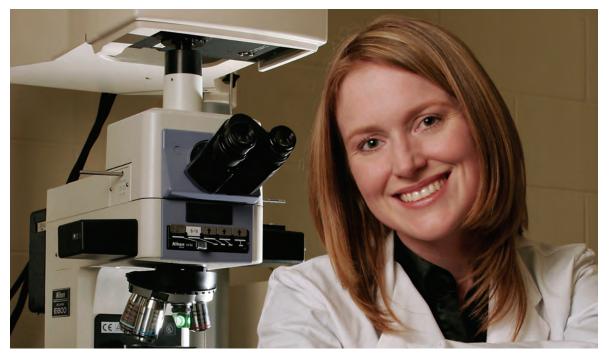
San Diego in 2004. Since then, she has supervised more than 30 aspiring scientists at the University of Windsor and won many accolades from colleagues and peers.

Beyond her laboratory, Porter, her research technicians and graduate students fight the disease on another, very public level. They have a team entered in the Relay for Life, and are out in force each year for the Run for a Cure. Porter is also the neighbourhood canvasser for the Canadian Cancer Society.

"I also do tons of talks," she says. "Schools, service clubs, all kinds of groups... everyone is interested in cancer research because everyone has been touched by this disease. It could be themselves, someone in their family, a friend, a colleague, or a neighbour. This is why Windsor has a huge number of people who are active in fighting cancer."

"Oddly enough, although everybody cares about fighting cancer, few people understand very much about the disease," says Porter.

When canvassing, she hears people ask, "I have been giving year after year, why don't we have a cure yet?"



Dr. Lisa Porter says that raising public awareness will help to fund research.

"People do not realize that cancer is actually a whole set of diseases. It isn't caused by a germ getting into your body, but by functions of your body itself, at the most basic molecular level, within a cell.

"The level of complexity is astronomical," says the molecular biologist.

"Each research project takes us a step closer to gaining the understanding that we need to fight and treat and prevent the various forms of cancer."

This is why Porter takes that message to so many audiences. She says she wants people to realize how much more there is to be done, and why their contributions and support for research is so important.

She says that only about 18 percent of the research that experts deem important is funded each year. That means 82 percent of the best ideas out there for fighting cancer get no money. It would require an additional \$21 million each year to support all of these cancer research projects in universities and research institutions across Canada. This is less than \$1 per Canadian.

"The public does not widely understand that research is what a professor does. It's what a university does, and when a professor has an idea for a project, there has to be a detailed description of that idea proposed to the funding agencies," she says. "These agencies assemble the most knowledgeable doctors and researchers to assess all the proposals and determine which ones should be funded."

Porter says she sees the greatest hope in young people.

"Even though the tobacco industry spends \$41 million a day worldwide to promote smoking, young people are much better educated about health risks and they believe they can make a difference," she says.

This is why in May 2009 Porter willingly addressed the students at St. Anne's French Immersion School in Windsor who had collected \$1,632.50, mostly in pennies, to support the Carl and Gloria Morgan Graduate Scholarship in Breast Cancer Research.

Porter told the youngsters that cancer was likely to affect most of them at some time in their lives, whether directly or through the diagnoses of a friend or family member. "However, we now have so many new ways to treat cancer, and there will be so much more we can do," she added.

Less than 25 years ago, a former University of Windsor microbiologist, Dr. Michael Dufresne, was the first to publish an explanation of the mediated process that allows a toxic molecule to penetrate the protective enzyme layer of a human cell. The right sequence of toxic molecules may disrupt the cell function and begin the formation of a tumour. Today, based on that discovery, Porter is one of thousands of researchers who are taking our knowledge of cancer forward in great leaps and bounds.







The tradition of the travelling theatre troupe has a long, rich history throughout the world. In April, Daiva Zalnieriunas and nine other students from the University of Windsor's School of Dramatic Art (SODA) joined that tradition.

With a "beat-up old truck from the farm," says Zalnieriunas, about \$10,000 worth of equipment battened down under a tarp, and with music blaring from an iPod dock, members of the group brought the UWindsor brand of theatre to Toronto. They performed at four high schools, exhibiting their skills and helping to promote their University in the process.

It all started after Zalnieriunas, a third-year student, completed her Voice and Movement I class. The class teaches a type of physical theatre resembling that of Cirque de Soleil, "though not that skilled," she says, adding that the instruction is more intense at UWindsor than anywhere else in Canada.

The tour originated after the group devised a five-minute presentation that was open to the public. Then, when her boyfriend's younger sister from Etobicoke could not attend the show, Zalnieriunas decided it would be "really cool" to bring the program to her high school. The school's teacher was "ecstatic" about the idea, says Zalnieriunas, who asked her professor, Gina Lori Riley, if she could include a few other schools to make the trip worthwhile.

The resulting four-school tour was a rousing success and Zalnieriunas plans to seek Ontario Arts Council funding to go on the road again next year, possibly expanding to Ottawa.

The University reimbursed her group for its gas bill and each member received \$50 from the Toronto schools, having heeded an



important lesson about their dignity and worth and the value of their profession.

"What we had learned from our profs is that it's really important to be paid actors," she says.

Zalnieriunas's experience underscores the quality of the drama program at UWindsor and the drive and passion of the students at SODA, as well as the corps that makes up University Players, both of which celebrated milestone anniversaries this year. SODA turned 40 years, while University Players marked a half century.

Clearly UWindsor is proving it has an exceptional talent for staging pace-setting plays – and gaining broad attention and acclaim. And this spring, for their third consecutive year, students signed up for a 12-day Suzuki Viewpoints and Composition intensive workshop, delivered by Ellen Lauren and J. Ed Araiza of the New York-based Saratoga International Theater Institute (SITI). Students worked day and night to create two compositions.

UWindsor is the only Canadian school to host the two distinguished theatre artists. Araiza said he was impressed with the "dynamic group of young, talented actors."

He described them as "mature beyond their years", and he especially praised their work ethic.

"The students just don't know the word Stop. They're amazing to work with," says Araiza, who has also taught at such prestigious

arts schools as Juilliard and Columbia University. "These kids are awesome. They really are. They're fabulous to work with."

Araiza says there's a "generosity of spirit" that's unique to UWindsor, adding that the "diverse and international" student body is encouraged by staff who develop the "personalities and identities" of their charges.

UWindsor is not, he says, "a cookie-cutter drama school" – a sentiment that is shared by Stephen Ouimette, one of the school's many success stories. Though best known for his stage work, particularly at the Stratford Festival of Canada, Ouimette achieved TV fame – and a Gemini Award -- as the ghostly Oliver Welles in the drama *Slings and Arrows*. Other marquee names on stage and screen range from Antoni Cimolini '84 BFA, general director at Stratford, and Shaw Festival assistant stage manager Eamonn Reil, as well as Amanda Tapping BFA '88, who stars as Captain/Major Samatha Carter in the sci-fi TV series *Stargate SG-1*.

For his part, Ouimette praises his alma mater for its "strong sense of individuality" and for developing the unique talents of students.

Professor Emeritus Diana Mady Kelly, who helped build SODA's success, also emphasizes UWindsor's conscious effort to respect students' individual gifts and help them grow.

"We don't, for example, say, 'Well you don't have a voice that's







- Diana Mady Kelly teaching in the old Loblaw's building, which was original home to the School of Dramatic Art;
- 2. Dori Elliot as Sally Bowles in Cabaret 1979-80;
- 3. UPlayers first musical production: The Fantasticks 1968-9;
- 4. Stephen Ouimette;
- 5. Professor Emeritus Diana Mady Kelly;
- 6. School of Dramatic Art director Lionel Walsh.

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- 9. Diana Mady Kelly and most of the class of '79;
- 10. The Black Dots:
- 11. CAW Student Centre, Commons Area set up for the High Tea Drama Anniversary Event;
- **12.** Muse, Daiva Zalnieriunas at the Starry Starry Night Dinner Gala Anniversary Event.









this, so we won't accept you.' We really emphasize the individual gifts as opposed to, 'You must all look and sound this way.'"

In a profession that's highly competitive and sometimes unforgiving, it's also about helping students believe in themselves and learning to conduct themselves "with humility but with confidence," says SODA director Lionel Walsh. He says UWindsor grads are among "the best in the country or, for that matter, the world" and he cites the example of one student who accompanied him on a recent trip to Britain as exemplifying their dedication and devotion to the drama. The student brought 15 plays to read and spent much of his time on the Internet researching his profession.

"That makes it a vocation, not a job."

Walsh carries fond memories of his own from his many years of involvement at University Players. He appeared on stage often as a student at UWindsor from 1975-to-1981, ran its box office and publicity from 1985-to-1989 and directed many productions for nine years after becoming a professor in 1992. Walsh recalls the "magical first moment" when he walked on stage at Essex Hall in the musical *Celebration* by the makers of *The Fantastiks*. He sang, danced and took part in eight different choruses and 56 different mask changes, while wearing leotards.

"It was all-encompassing and it wasn't like high school. Suddenly, it was a bar or two higher," he says. His debut as director was with Agatha Christie's *And Then There Were None*, where he energized his players and charged them to perform it as melodrama, and "camp it up."

Another standout from University Players' long, rich history is his predecessor Diana Mada Kelly's production of *Children of a Lesser God*, which received standing ovations every night.

Uniquely positioned as a theatre company in a university setting, the company has a healthy base of 14,000 subscribers in the general public, which Walsh doubts exists anywhere else in Canada. It has performed six shows and turned a profit of \$30,000 so far in 2009.

University Players does not take funding from the University, aside from the salaries of teaching staff, while paying for guest artists out of its own ticket sales.

The dual anniversary year also resulted in some legacies that will enrich the drama program.

For one thing, an endowment fund was set up for the school, Kelly says. SODA also received a surprise Drama in Education Entrance Bursary by alumnus Jackie Sperandio English BA '64, who attended the Starry Starry Night Gala at Caesars Windsor in February.

Sperandio worked in what was then the Drama Club before there was a University Players or dramatic art school. She went on to run a mail-order business, with her husband







Left to right: Professor Gina Lori Riley; founder of the University of Windsor's School of Dramatic Art Daniel Patrick Kelly; and students from the summer clown doctor program.

Robert BS '64, MBA '66 in Rochester, N.Y., though she says she always carried fond memories of her time at UWindsor.

She says she was so impressed with how far the program developed and "blown over" by the new Jackman Dramatic Art Centre that she told Kelly she wanted to sponsor an award.

"I go back to the days when we were operating out of the huts," Sperandio says, in reference to the old quonset huts, or army huts, where Macdonald Hall is now located. The huts were home to Assumption Players, the precursor to University Players.

Gina Lori Riley, who served as creative director of anniversary events, said another objective was to re-connect with alumni with whom the school lost touch over the years and have them meet current students. Part of that effort involved getting its archives in order.

The school will unveil a sculpture of founder Daniel Patrick Kelly at the centre. The bas relief work by visual arts instructor Zeke Moores will be based on a maquette of Christopher Rees' original sculpture, which is at the Capitol Theatre.

Meanwhile, UWindsor and its dynamic cast of drama staff and students plan to expand and enrich its program.

Walsh says the school is proposing a three-year production degree and aims to tap into federal funding. The new program would include renovating the old SODA building or Essex Hall, once the engineering program.

the old SODA building or Essex Hall, once the engineering program moves into the new Centre for Engineering Innovation. It would take in as many as 24 students who would specialize in set, lighting or costumes.

The production degree would open up opportunities for students throughout the tri-county area who want to get into stage management and design, Walsh says. With six productions a year and opportunities later to work in festivals or touring shows, he adds, "they get work right away because they have such tremendous experience."

The second new initiative is an MA in Drama in Community. If the Senate approves, it could be implemented in the fall.

Unique at the graduate level in Canada, the MA is designed for people who want to get into the "helping professions", such as social work and psychology and work in community-based organizations, Walsh says.

As well, UWindsor has agreed in principle to meet with officials

from Britain's University of Plymouth to discuss working together to offer a PhD in theatre program. Unlike most PhD degrees, which are "very theoretical" and involve research and publication, Walsh says this program would be "project-based".

It would involve developing a research question about a particular performance. For example, one Plymouth student who works as a clown is studying audience reception of female clowns and how it differs from that of male clowns.

The PhD proposal grew out of an existing exchange agreement

between UWindsor and Plymouth. It involves undergraduate students, primarily in the BA program, attending school at Plymouth, which Walsh says has been called "one of the top 10 so-called new universities in Britain." The agreement was proposed by Dr. Roberta Mock, Associate Dean (Research) and Reader in Performance at Plymouth, who studied drama at UWindsor and stage-managed a play there

For Walsh, the success of UWindsor's drama program is largely the result of the "incredible talent of its students and "willingness to train" and dedication of faculty and guest artists. Several faculty members,

including Brian Rintoul, Brian Taylor and Michael Keating, had long, successful careers in as actors before they started teaching.

Walsh says UWindsor's curriculum is also "very sound," heavily influenced by the ideas of Michel Saint-Denis, who helped design the drama program at the Juilliard School.

Also, students are "really put through their paces" during their four years of development. "They know what it's like to audition and to perform for large audiences and not be frightened," Walsh adds

Students, such as Zalnieriunas, say they are convinced of the value of their training. Fresh from her mini-tour of Toronto high schools, she expressed an appreciation for a program that emphasizes text-based drama, as well as physical theatre. She says she wishes there were more intense efforts to promote the school.

Adds Zalnieriunas: "I feel maybe the school should do more things like this to get the message out."

"UWINDSOR STUDENTS JUST DON'T

J. ED ARAIZA OF THE NEW YORK-BASED SARATOGA INTERNATIONAL THEATER INSTITUTE (SITI)

THE PLAY'S THE THING

In early June, Antoni Cimolino took a break from his busy duties as Stratford Shakespeare Festival general director to sit back in the Festival Theatre and watch members of his acting company perform *West Side Story* for the first time.

"It was so beautiful," he says. "I thought to myself: Right. This is why I do it. This is the big payoff."

For a man who one *Toronto Star* theatre critic described as "the single most important theatre executive director in Canada," it's a telling tale. Just as the 48-year-old retains his boyish good looks and curly black hair of days playing Romeo to Megan Follows' Juliet in 1993, so too does Cimolino retain a love of theatre that convinced him to follow his 20-year career path.

He became spellbound with the stage, and Shakespeare, during a school trip to Stratford Festival to see *Love's Labour's Lost*. He was living in Sudbury and his immigrant parents wanted more than a theatre school for him; they decided UWindsor offered "pretty much the best university program that also taught fine arts and acting," he says.

Cimolino BFA '84, DHum '04 is grateful at the "well-rounded" education he received and influence of certain professors, such as Colin Atkinson in the English department. It was also in UWindsor's drama program that he met Brigit Wilson GFA '82, who would become an actor and, later, wife and mother of their children, Gabriele and Sophia.

Cimolino started in Stratford with an unsuccessful audition as an actor. He persisted and landed a role under John Neville in 1988. He went on to work as an assistant director alongside former Stratford artistic director Richard Monette, then delved into special projects before moving into producing, directing and finally to his 2006 appointment as general director.

"It was one accident after another," says Cimolino, who oversees a budget of \$57 million, more than 1,000 employees and an endowment fund of more than \$50 million.

Throughout his tenure, he has seen a steady succession of UWindsor alumni progress to his stage though, he says, "It's not as if I've gone on a rampage and had a Windsor-only hiring policy." The alumni's

success has been the result of a good, well-balanced program that delivers a solid "skill set" along with liberal arts and humanities studies, he says.

Looking back at his own distinguished career, Cimolino considers himself "blessed" to have worked with such legendary figures as his mentors Monette and William Hutt. He says there's "magic" to mounting a play, like his current direction of Ben Jonson's Bartholemew Fair, with a cast that includes Wilson as Dame Purecraft and Tom McCamus BAG '07 as Justice Overdo, and seeing it performed on stage.

"It's a wonderful way to spend your life," he says.

"There's a great beauty to living your life this way."



Antoni Cimolino: the UWindsor grad is general director of The Stratford Shakespeare Festival.

Get the latest on the Lancers by visiting www.GoLancers.ca

By Elisa Mitton BComm '05

LANCER NEWS

SCORE BOARD – What's been happening with your teams, events and celebrations.

VALLÉE NAMED OUA FOX 40 FEMALE COACH OF THE YEAR

The Windsor Lancers announced Chantal Vallée as OUA Fox 40 Female Coach of the Year at the OUA's Annual Awards in Huntsville, Ontario.

Vallée's Basketball squad had a successful season, winning its first OUA Championship title, and qualifying for the CIS National Championship tournament in Regina for the first time.

In only her fourth season behind the bench, Vallée led the Lancers to an impressive 21-1 record and the OUA West Division title. In the playoffs, the team captivated the campus and community alike as they knocked off Laurier, Western and the OUA East Champion Ottawa Gee Gees to capture the championship trophy and stamp their place in Lancer history.

Nationally ranked for the entire season, Coach Vallée's team finished near the top of the CIS in almost every team statistical category, including second in scoring offense, second in scoring margin, first in rebounding, third in free throw percentage and fourth in field goal percentage.

The accomplishments of the Women's Basketball team this season earned Vallée her second consecutive Gino Fracas Award, as the Windsor Lancers Coach of the Year.

"Success is dependent on many factors and I would like to thank the Athletic Department for its support, my players for the relentless effort and belief, all of my past and present assistant coaches who have worked so hard at building the program, and our fans who were tremendous this year," said Vallée. "It has been a true team effort, and I am honoured to bring this award back for all of us to enjoy."



Gord Grace presenting Chantal Vallée with her OUA Fox 40 Coach of the Year Award.



ROC, ADJETEY-NELSON & SURMACZ WIN MAJOR AWARDS; STEPHENSON'S #24 RETIRED AT LANCER YEAR-END BANQUET



From left to right: Dranadia Roc, Jamie Adjetey-Nelson, Noelle Montcalm, Greg Surmacz and Ben Warnock.

Lancer standouts Dranadia Roc, Jamie Adjetey-Nelson and Greg Surmacz won the year's top prizes at the Lancers' Annual Evening of Excellence in April.

Adjetey-Nelson and Surmacz, both fifth-year athletes, were co-winners of the Olympic Shield as Male Athletes of the Year, while Women's Basketball's Roc won the Banner Shield as the Female Athlete of the Year for the second straight season.



Lancer Football star running back Daryl Stephenson in front of his retired number.

highlights included the retirement of Lancer Football star running back Daryl Stephenson's #24. Stephenson completed one of the greatest careers in CIS Football history as he captured the Hec Crighton Trophy as Canadian Player of the Year in 2006. was a two-time CIS All-Canadian and the first player ever to rush for 1,000 yards in three straight seasons.

The evening's

Stephenson made history again this season as he broke the most prestigious record in CIS Sport, the CIS All-Time Rushing Record, finishing his career with 5,163 rushing yards.

The Department of Athletics also unveiled the Richard Peddie Award, named in honour of alumnus Peddie, who is president and CEO of Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment Ltd.

Peddie was on hand to present the inaugural award of excellence to Dennis Fairall, head coach of the Lancer Track and Field team.

Fairall had a highly successful season; he is widely considered one of the greatest coaches in CIS history. Last season, his Lancer Track and Field teams made history by completing the first-ever, national championship sweep at home. This raises his CIS National Championship title tally to an impressive 20, ranking him as one of the most decorated coaches in Canadian collegiate sport history.

The DeMarco Awards, presented annually to the female and male students who best combine academic achievement with athletic prowess, went to Lancer Track and Field's Ben Warnock and Noelle Montcalm.

Chantal Vallée, head coach of the Women's Basketball team and Brett Lumley, assistant head coach of the Track and Field team, shared the Gino Fracas Coach of the Year Award.

Vallée, in her fourth season in the CIS, led the Lancers to a 21-1 record and their first ever OUA Provincial Championship. They also earned a berth in the CIS National Championship Tournament – also a program first.

Lumley, who coaches with the Lancer Track and Field team, led his jumpers to one of the most impressive seasons in CIS history. He coached Jamie Adjetey-Nelson, Derek Watkins and Jaideene Lowe to provincial and national awards last season. At Nationals this year, Lumley's Lancer Men finished first-through-fifth in the Men's Long Jump, a finish never before achieved in CIS Track and Field.

The Female Rookie of the Year Award went to Track & Field's Jaideene Lowe, while Sam Malian from Lancer Football won the Male Rookie of the Year. Both recipients had outstanding rookie campaigns.

"A" Awards, marking major contributions to Lancer Athletics, went to Dr. Wayne Marino, department head in the Faculty of Human Kinetics, Charlene Yates, of the Registrar's office, and Tim Brunet from the University's Student Recruitment Office.

ALUMNI NEWS

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



It is a pleasure representing our Alumni Association. I have met many outstanding students, alumni and faculty by participating and often presenting awards at many functions both on and off campus. Our Association sponsors numerous scholarships and awards, as well as providing financial support for student initiatives and for capital projects, most recently, Alumni Field and the new medical facility.

The Association hosted a well-received luncheon for alumni who are employees of the University, in gratitude for their continuing dedication to, and support of, their alma mater.

In April, I attended the Faculty of Law's 40th anniversary celebrations in Toronto. More than 350 alumni shared great memories and renewed friendships.

President Alan Wildeman has also been busy meeting many of you. With the help of local alumni, we held receptions in Calgary, Vancouver and Toronto. These receptions gave Alan a chance to meet many of you, and for you to provide him with some useful input as he prepares our University's updated strategic plan.

I encourage you to continue to be interested in the University of Windsor and to participate in events, such as the upcoming Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament on August 10 at Ambassador Golf Club in Windsor. Think about organizing your class reunion. How many years has it been since your graduation? Reunions are a great opportunity to reminisce, renew friendships and see what's new on campus – the medical school, Alumni Field – a model of the soon-to-be-constructed Centre for Engineering Innovation. Contact our Office of Alumni Affairs to help you organize an event or involve you more directly in our Association.

Special congratulations to both Dr. Geri Salinitri and Prof. Richard Moon as recipients of the Alumni Award for Distinguished Contributions to University Teaching. I had the opportunity to present these awards on behalf of our Alumni Association at the convocation ceremonies in June. Geri and Richard are both most deserving recipients of this award and exemplify the exceptional teaching faculty of the University of Windsor.

Wishing you a safe and happy summer and looking forward to seeing many of you soon,

TOM PORTER Alumni Association President

EDUCATION AND LAW PROFESSORS CELEBRATED FOR DISTINGUISHED CONTRIBUTIONS





Dr. Geri Salinitri, '77, '78, '92, '98, '04, of the Faculty of Education, and **Prof. Richard Moon** of the Faculty of Law were honoured during the spring Convocation ceremonies with the Alumni Associations' prestigious Alumni Award for Distinguished Contributions to University Teaching.

Dr. Salinitri, a five-time graduate of the University of Windsor, received both a Master's and Doctorate in Education. According to colleagues and former students, Salinitri is a dynamic teacher – creative, resourceful, innovative and passionate. One of her most recent and notable achievements is the heralded LEAD program, which prepares student-teachers to assist secondary students who may be experiencing difficulties in achieving school success.

She co-presents at conferences, and co-published a refereed article on mentoring with specific focus on the Ontario New Teacher Induction Program. Her excellence in teaching and research have earned her other prizes, including the Prime Minister's Award for Teaching Excellence in Mathematics, Science and Technology, the Chemical Institute of Canada Award for Excellence in Teaching Chemistry and the Alumni Association's Excellence in Mentoring Award.

Prof. Richard Moon joined the Faculty of Law in 1986. He is an internationally recognized scholar in constitutional law, with a particular specialty in freedom of expression and freedom of religion. His book, *Constitutional Protection* of *Freedom of Expression*, is the seminal work on freedom of expression in Canada. Moon has written five chapters in highly regarded books, as well as more than 25 substantial articles and comments in refereed, high-calibre journals. He is a speaker at conferences and was the only Canadian to present at the First Amendment Forum at Brandeis Law School.

In recognition of his achievements, he is the 2007 and 2008 recipient of the University of Windsor Faculty Recognition Award for Research, Scholarship and Creative Writing. According to nomination letters, his classroom presentation is exceptional – communicating effectively with his students, organizing and preparing carefully for each class, stimulating student interest and generating enthusiasm for the subject matter. He cares deeply about his students and their successes and his professionalism shines through in his teaching performance, as well as in his course design and delivery.

The Alumni Association established the Alumni Award for Distinguished Contributions to Teaching in 1987 to honour and recognize faculty members nominated by their students, alumni and colleagues. The award is intended to provide incentive and encouragement for achieving excellence in teaching and learning at the University of Windsor. For more information and to see a list of former recipients go to www.uwindsor.ca/alumni.

ON THE ROAD

UNIVERSITY OF WINDSOR PRESIDENT DR. ALAN WILDEMAN HAS MADE A PRIORITY OF ENGAGING ALUMNI. TO THAT END, HE WENT ACROSS CANADA EARLIER THIS YEAR TO MEET AND GREET SEVERAL HUNDRED ALUMNI AT THREE RECEPTIONS.

VANCOUVER

Alumni and friends gathered to meet Dr. Wildeman at an elegant reception at the Four Seasons Hotel in Vancouver on March 4, '09. The president, joined by Dr. Michael Salter, acting vice president of University Advancement, and alumni officer Katherine Simon BA '94 said he was thrilled to have the opportunity to meet so many great ambassadors for the University. Special thanks to all who attended and to Drew James BComm '89 and George Short MHK '73 who assisted with the planning.

CALGARY

Dr. Wildeman's successful second stop was held in a private room at the Osteria de Medici Restaurant on March 5. The event was full of energy and alumni as friends met and reconnected. Conversations continued into the evening, well past the scheduled planned ending time. Many guests expressed a desire to get together on a more regular schedule, which is what alumni reunions are all about. Thanks to Kara Boehnert BA '96 and Carmen Coccimiglio BComm '96, LLB '01 for hosting the reception.

TORONTO

More than 200 alumni and friends attended a reception hosted by Chancellor Ed Lumley at the Royal Ontario Museum in heart of downtown Toronto on May 20, '09. "There is no better place for me to network," one guest said. "Working in a large city like Toronto, every connection you can make is important." The room was packed with CEOs, researchers, VPs, educators, members of Parliament (current and former), lawyers, financial experts and more.

If you are interested in hosting, planning or attending similar chapter events in your area, please contact the Office of Alumni Affairs at alumni@uwindsor.ca or 519-971-3618.

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Windsor, ON

RESIDENTS OF HURON HALL REUNION

Saturday, July 18, 2009 University of Windsor campus For more information please contact: Mike Russell mrussell17@cogeco.ca

Detroit, MI

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Friday, July 10, 2009 Comerica Park For more information please contact: Katherine Simon, Alumni Officer kasimon@uwindsor.ca or 519-971-3618.

AUGUST 2009

Windsor, ON

WINDSOR ALUMNI & FRIENDS GOLF TOURNAMENT

Monday, August 10, 2009 Ambassador Golf Club

SEPTEMBER 2009

Windsor, ON

BA CLASS OF '59 & BCOMM CLASS OF '60 REUNION

September 18, 19 & 20 For more information please contact: Lou Pennachetti BA '59 & BComm '60 penlo@look.ca

Windsor, ON

BACHELOR OF NURSING CLASS OF '84 REUNION

For more information please contact: Giselle (Dinsmore) Baillargeon BSN '84 dgbaill@mnsi.net

OCTOBER 2009

Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON

FACULTY OF NURSING, BSCN CLASS OF '79 30TH REUNION

For more information please contact: Deb Fenn at debfenn@rogers.com or Linda (Crosbie) Muraca at Imuraca@sympatico.ca

Las Vegas, NV

'69 LANCER FOOTBALL REUNION

October 15, 16, 17, 2009 At the Venetian Hotel For more information please contact: George Short at gdshort@telus.net

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the University of Windsor Alumni Association will hold their 2009 Annual General Meeting and Awards Presentations

Wednesday, November 25, 2009.

The meeting will take place on the University campus in the Ambassador Auditorium. All members of the association are invited to attend.

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1950s

Francis Sheehan BComm '57 broker, Sheehan & Rosie Ltd., St. Catharines, Ont.

1960s

Edward Alice BA '68 attorney and author, *Confessions of An Old, Bold Pilot* and *The Sequel*, Trenton, MI.

James Barlow BA '66 president, Legacy 5 Consultants Inc., Kitchener, Ont.

Lawrence Kelly BSc '67 retired, high school teacher, coach, and joins the football staff, Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, OH.

John Roushorne BA '69, MA '72 retired executive director, Windsor/ Essex County Humane Society, Windsor, Ont.

1970s

Eileen Daunt BA '72 teacher, Senator Riley School, High River, Alta.

Pasquale Fiorino BA '74, LLB '76 three-year term, Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada, Toronto, Ont.

Warren Kennedy BPE '77, BEd '78, MEd '83 director of education, Greater Essex County District School Board, Windsor, Ont.

lan Levstein BMA '78, BEd '83 infotech specialist, computer forensics, Forensic Science Center, Marshall University, Huntington, WV.

John Londry BSc '73, MSc '75 board of directors, Pacific North West Capital Corporation, Vancouver, B.C.

Patrick Monaghan BA '73, BSc '74 principal officer, PM Monaghan Consulting Services, Kinburn, Ont.

Jack Pulkinen BA '74, BComm '76 CFO, Prestige Telecom Inc., Baie-D'Urfe, Que.

Doreen Remmen BA '78 CFO, The Institute of Management Accountants, Montvale, N.J.

David Rohrer BA '74 CEO, Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum, Mount Hope, Ont.

Robert Smith BPE '76, BComm '95 VP, Human Resources, Daimler Trucks NAFTA-Thomas Built Buses, High Point, N.C.

Leslie Vivvian BA '73 celebrant, facilitating, officiating and co-creating Rites of Passage ceremonies, Calgary, Alta.

1980s

Frank Abbruzzese BComm '88 recipient, Small Company Service, AlphaKOR Group, 19th Annual Business Excellence Awards, April 8, '09, Windsor, Ont.

Roberta Bergman BEd '84 vice principal, East York Collegiate Institute, Toronto, Ont.

Thomas Best BHK '84 president, The American College of Sports Medicine 2010-'11, and Pomerene Chair of Primary Care, Family Medicine, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH.

Edward Bulmer BMU '80 produced/ recorded first CD, *Happy Hour*, Toronto, Ont.

Sara Campbell BSW '83, BEd '84 teacher, Lambton Kent District School Board, Dresden, Ont.

Jonathan Deneau BComm '85 president, Allergy Wellness Centres Inc., and Dr. Robert Neposlan, MBA '87 chiropractor and CEO, Allergy Wellness Centres Inc., have reached an agreement with Wayne Parent MBA '85, president, Nutrition House Canada Inc., to open new allergy centres in selected Nutrition House stores across Canada.

Udemezue Dennis BSc '81, MSc '82 CEO, Industrad, Abuja, Nigeria.

Denise Dwyer LLB '89 legal director, legal services branch, Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, Toronto, Ont.

Ida Goodreau BComm '81, MBA '86 president and CEO, LifeLabs Medical Laboratory Services, Burnaby, B.C.

Anthony La Civita BComm '88, BEd '93 All-Risks Insurance, Tecumseh, Ont.

Patrick Li BAS '81 senior bridge engineer, HDR Engineering Inc., Bellevue, WA.

Susan Moroz BA '87, BEd '88 principal, Queen Elizabeth Public School, named one of Canada's outstanding principals by a national educational organization, Leamington, Ont.

James Murphy BA '86 Sr. VP, Sales, Mars Chocolate North America, Hackettsack, NJ.

Ronald Otsuki BComm '81 VP, portfolio strategies, CPP Investment Board, Toronto, Ont.

Michael Pangia BComm '84 Sr. VP and chief sales officer, Harris Stratex Networks Inc., Alpharetta, GA.

Brian Payne BA '89 VP, supply chain management, Mississauga, Ont.

Sandra Pupatello BA '86 '09 recipient, Award of Excellence for Community Service, Canadian Italian Business and Professional Association, Windsor, Ont.

Anton Saad BAS '85 resident manager, Dar Al-Handash Consultants (Shair & Partners), Amman, Jordan.

Allan Skov BComm '86, MBA '91 associate, management and information technology, Arrow Partnership, Englewood, CO.

John Skowronski LLB '84 judge, Ontario Court of Justice, London, Ont

Charles Smith BHK '83 recipient, Smith Physiotherapy Clinic, Business Professional, 9th Annual Business Excellence Award, April 8, '09, Windsor, Ont.

Debi Sutin LLB '84 partner, Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP, Hamilton, Ont.

Shama Thomas BSc '86 product development manager, Progressive Insurance, Solon, OH.

Sheryll Westcarr BComm '89 director of career services, DeVry University, Calgary, Alta.

CLASS **NEWS**

Susan Whelan LLB '88, CEO, Canadian Cancer Society Ontario Division, June 1, '09.

1990s

Tarek Abdel-Salam PhD '94 professor, British University in Egypt, El Sherouk City, Egypt.

Lorne Abony LLB '94 CEO, Fluid Music Inc., Culver City, CA.

Thomas Atkinson LLB '91 director of enforcement, Ontario Securities Commission, Feb. 8, '09, Toronto, Ont.

Robert Bafaro LLB '90 three-year term, Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada, April '09, Toronto, Ont.

Michael Bates BHK '95, MBA '04 recipient, New Business Award, Refine Fitness Studio, 19th Annual Business Excellence Awards, April 8, '09, Windsor, Ont.

Susan Brogno BHK '92 elementary teacher, Surrey School Board, Surrey, B.C.

Shawn Bustin BComm '98 CEO, Unigasco Community Credit Union, Chatham, Ont.

Paul Campbell BA '99 director, business development, Digital Fortress Corp., London, Ont.

J. Jason Clemens BComm '94, MBA '97 director of research and strategic development, Pacific Research Institute, San Francisco, CA.

Peter Dobrich BComm '93 owner, Windsor Spitfires, recipient, firstever Believe Windsor-Essex Award, 19th Annual Business Excellence Awards, April 8, '09, Windsor, Ont.

David Dureno BComm '95 recruiter, consumer goods, Lock Search Group, Toronto, Ont.

Scott Foster BComm '91 national sales manager, payroll services, NEBS Business Products Limited, Midland, Ont. Scot Gillam BEd '95 principal, educational services, Limestone District School Board, Kingston, Ont.

Anne Marie Grant BA '94 leadership development officer, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ont.

Rebecca Hertel BA '98 probation officer, Ministry of Children and Youth Services, Newmarket, Ont.

Yasmeen Jasey BComm '96, MBA '98 VP, corporate banking and financial institutions, Fifth Third Bank, Ann Arbor, MI.

Robert Kristal BComm '91 sr. VP, institutional equity sales, Merriman Curhan Ford Group, Inc., New York, NY

David Ledgerwood BA '95, MA '97, PhD '03 assistant professor, Department of Psychiatry & Behavioural Neurosciences, Wayne State University School of Medicine, Detroit, MI.

Kathryn Marquis BMA '98 recorded/released debut album, *The Door is Open*, Oct. '08 and featured in *Catch the Fire*, March '09.

Allan McCallum CNP '99, BSN '99, MN '07 primary health care nurse practitioner, Teen Health Centre/Diabetes In Action, Windsor, Ont.

Susan Medeiros-Gould BA '95 promoted, employment specialist, Cascade Disability Management Inc., Owen Sound, Ont.

Alexandre Querbach BA '99 head, English department, Vincent Massey Secondary School, Windsor, Ont.

Gracinda Ramos BSc '99 owner, Absolute Chiropractic Wellness Centre, Windsor, Ont.

Christine Richer BComm '96 volunteer engagement coordinator, Canadian Cancer Society, Windsor, Ont.

Joseph Shaw MBA '95 assistant VP, Manulife Financial, Toronto, Ont. **Scott Sylvestre** BSc '95 owner, Kumon Math and Reading Centres, Forest Glade/LaSalle, Windsor, Ont.

Shelley Whittaker BA '94, BAH '95, BEd '97, recipient Students' Choice Outstanding Volunteer Internship Program Supervisor Award, Roseland Public School, Windsor, Ont., May '09.

Angela Willemse BA '99 teacher, York Region District School Board, Newmarket, Ont.

David Wills BA '90 VP and partner, Media Profile, Toronto, Ont.

David Wood BA '93 intermediate technical analyst, premium support, Research In Motion, Waterloo, Ont.

Zaidil Zaludin BComm '91 sr. manager, human capital management, Celcom Malaysia Berhad, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2000s

Nadia Azar BHK '01, MHK '04 assistant professor, Faculty of Human Kinetics, University of Windsor, Windsor, Ont.

Michelle Baker BSc '06 issues and legislative advisor, Ministry of Transportation, Toronto, Ont.

Jason Bruder BComm '01 HR consultant, Canadian Food Inspection Agency, Guelph, Ont.

Christopher Busch MSc '03, MBA '07 recipient of Alumni Award of Distinction, '09 Leadership Windsor/Essex Community Awards, Windsor, Ont.

Inger Calder BHK '03, MHK '07 ergonomist, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN.

Nicole Daniels BA '03 law clerk, Richard C. Belsito, Q.C. Professional Corporation, Richmond Hill, Ont.

Christopher Gillett BComm '04 associate investment advisor, GMP Private Client L.P., Vancouver, B.C.

Lori Gray MA '04, PhD '08 psychologist, Schnayer, McGrory and Associates, Windsor, Ont.

John Gudmundson MA '03 lecturer, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C.

Muhammad Hossain BCS '05, HonsBCS '06 IT analyst, IBM Canada, Markham, Ont.

Patricia Hrynyk MBA '04 marketing manager, Allied Health, AstraZeneca Canada Inc., Mississauga, Ont.

Rahul Khanna BAS '05 director, Special Cables Private Limited, New Delhi, India.

Jennifer Kobylka BSN '08 RN, Windsor Regional Hospital, Windsor, Ont.

Rahul Mehra BComm '03 credit analyst, PaperlinX Canada Ltd., Vaughan, Ont.

Scott Moncur LLB '07 track & field coach, sprints/hurdles/middle-distance, Columbia University, New York, NY.

Meighen Nehme BComm '02 owner, The Job Shoppe, Windsor, Ont.

Amber Neumann BA '05 agency review officer, Shelter, Support & Housing Administration, City of Toronto, Toronto, Ont.

Jennifer O'Brien BA '07, BEd '08 teacher, Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board, Brantford, Ont.

Joanna Oczachowski BComm '03 president/owner, Mantra for the Home & Accessories Inc., Tecumseh, Ont.

Bazlur Rahman BCS '05, BAS '08 technical analyst, Hewlett Packard (Canada) Ltd., Mississauga, Ont.

Navin Ramaswaran BA '03 owner, Splice Productions, Toronto, Ont.

Sunny Rathie BAS '04 substation design engineer, Burns & McDonnell, Kansas City, MO.

CLASS NEWS

Bethany Rudd BComm '05 recruitment advisor, London Health Sciences Centre, London, Ont.

Kelly Wagner BComm '02 risk manager, southwestern Ontario, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Windsor, Ont.

Keith Ward BHK '00, BEd '01 elementary teacher, Upper Canada District School Board, Brockville, Ont.

William Willis BA '01, LLB '04 partner, McTague Law Firm, Windsor, Ont.

Robert Zoretic BA '02 financial consultant, Investors Group Financial, Windsor, Ont.

Weddings

Megan Battersby BA '08, and Kesley Wright, Jan. 20, '09, Portmore, Jamaica, welcome a daughter, Kiara Sienna, May 28, '08.

Laurie (Thompson) Kennedy BA '04, BEd '05, and **Derek Kennedy** BEd '04, July 12, '08, Woodslee, Ont.

Marie (D'Amato) Mills BAS '05, and Adam Mills BAS, '05, July 19, '08, Windsor, Ont.

Neil Ouditt BA '86, and Carrie Lotenero, March 31, '09, Grand Cayman Islands.

Edwin Vandermeer CCR '92, BA '93 and Megan Knapp, Buckner, MO., Nov. 23, '08.

Births

Colleen (Payne) Bizic BA '94, BEd '95, BCS '03, CBA '06, and Peter Bizic III, a daughter, Amelia Lisa, Aug. 5, '08. Colleen is a operations specialist, SpringCM, Sterling, VA.

Rolanda Elijah LLB '03, and Antonio Camelo Jr., a daughter, Abigail Phoebe Elijah, Oct. 21, '08, London, Ont. Aimee Freer BA '05, and Rohan Dinwall, a daughter, Kaziah Azeisha, April 26, '08, Owen Sound, Ont.

Melanie (Harlings) Gallant BHK '95, and Barry Gallant, a son, Evan Allan Daniel Gallant, Oct. 23, '07. Melanie is a teacher, Simcoe County District School Board. Midhurst. Ont.

Elaine Gillan-Schilhab BA '94, and Greg Schilhab, a daughter, Coral Grace, Oct. 30, '08, Toronto, Ont. Elaine is a secondary school French teacher, Peel District School Board, Mississauga, Ont.

Christine (Nattress) Mainguy BA '94, and Marc Mainguy, twin boys, Elliott Thomas and Max Albert, Nov. 9, '08. Christine is curriculum consultant, York Region District School Board, Aurora, Ont.

Siu Yan Scott BA '94, BSW '96, and Dorjan Scott, a son, Chinja Lim Cho Scott, Dec. 15, '08. Siu Yan is a manager and program evaluation coordinator, Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine, Cleveland, OH.

Cindy Stater-Drummond BHK '01, and Donald Drummond BEd '04, a daughter, Kya Ashleigh Jan. 21, '07 and a son, Esli Malachi, Feb. 16, '09, Toronto, ON. Cindy is senior consultant, Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, Donald is a secondary school teacher, Toronto District School Board, both in Toronto, Ont.

Irene Brock DPN '67, Jan. 27, '09, Sarnia, Ont.

Judith Calcott BSN '95, Feb. 26, '09, Windsor, Ont.

Gordon Carlton BEd '77, Jan. 25, '09, Windsor, Ont.

Stephen Dempsey BSc '62, May 5, '09, Toronto, Ont.

Gerald Dolan BAS '64, May 8, '09, Pictou County, N.S.

Eli Drakich BComm '61, Hons BComm '62, Sept. 20, '08, Toronto, Ont.

Mary Duprey CSM BA '70, May 6, '09, Bethany, N.S.

Gilbert Farrell BA '35, Feb. 2, '09, Ayr, Ont.

Avi Goldstein BComm '94, LLB '97, MBA '97, March 20, '09, FL.

Walter Hodgson BS '70, MSc '73, Feb. 21, '09, Oakville, Ont.

Alexander MacFie BA '76, Feb. 22, '09. Windsor, Ont.

David Madill BAS '63, Jan. 16, '09, Lakefield, Ont.

Victoria Maedel BA '80, Feb. 4, '09, Windsor, Ont.

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