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## DEAR VIEWER

It could be said that universities are in the business of constant preparation. Through scholarly work and research activity, we prepare our students to graduate and enjoy successful lives as alumni. We also carefully plan and prepare our campus to meet the ever-changing needs of the broader community.

This summer, our preparation efforts on all fronts are at an all-time high. In June, we celebrated the graduation of 3,161 students and applauded with great pride as they crossed the stage to begin a new chapter in their lives. We have also embarked on our busiest construction and demolition period ever on campus. Preparing our students and our campus for the future is a constant endeavour at the University of Windsor.

The new Ed Lumley Centre for Engineering Innovation (CEI), was recently named after our Chancellor at a remarkable fundraising event in Toronto that raised \$5.3 million toward this new facility. It will be one of Canada's finest centres for education, research and industry partnerships when it opens this fall. We look forward to introducing you to this incredible new building in further detail in the next issue of *VIEW*. You can monitor its progress and take a virtual tour by visiting [www.uwindsor.ca/cei](http://www.uwindsor.ca/cei).

While activity ramps up to complete the CEI, just to the west of this site, construction has begun on the Innovation Centre and parking structure to accommodate up to 1,000 vehicles on seven levels, with a two-storey building to house various campus services and an incubator/accelerator space.

As new construction is going up, other buildings are coming down, including the recently leveled Cody Hall, and the building that formerly housed the drama program. Several former residential buildings along Sunset between Wyandotte and University Avenue will also be demolished to make way for new developments and green space. We continually have our eye on improving the student experience and also on how we can best position our campus to meet the needs of the future.

In the weeks ahead, as we join the rest of the world to recognize the preparation Olympic athletes endured to compete in London, England, we can be proud of the many ways that UWindsor students, coaches and alumni have contributed to this global tradition of excellence. In this issue, we've highlighted a few of these stories, as well as alumni and student profiles that feature other inspiring journeys that have led to personal success.

If you are travelling this summer, we would be more than happy to welcome you back to experience what we have in store for the future of our students, and our region. Please contact our Alumni office to let us know about your interest in a visit [alumni@uwindsor.ca](mailto:alumni@uwindsor.ca). We would also like to hear from you about how UWindsor helped prepare you for your future. Please visit [www.uwindsor.ca/yourstory](http://www.uwindsor.ca/yourstory) so we can share your story with the UWindsor community and our region.

It's an exciting time to be a part of the University of Windsor and we're proud that as alumni, you can help tell the story of our incredible campus transformation.



ALAN WILDEMAN

President and Vice-Chancellor



Dr. Alan Wildeman





# THE BUSINESS *of the* OLYMPICS

**Corporate sponsorship will be highly visible at this summer's London Olympics** – which will cost more than \$12 billion to stage. Keeping overt signs of advertisements out of the actual athletic venues is one way the International Olympic Committee (IOC) strives to maintain the purity of the games, according to a UWindsor Olympics researcher.

Scott Martyn, an associate professor in Human Kinetics who has attended 14 Olympic Games, says the IOC allows plenty of corporate sponsorship outside the venues but does a good job of making sure it's far less visible inside.

"Thus far, the relationship seems to be balanced," says Dr. Martyn, who has travelled to London three times to scope out the Olympic facilities and plans to travel back when the games are finished.

"What I don't want to see is the average athlete showing up with sponsorship all over their apparel. I hope that doesn't become the norm. If one starts to allow 'sponsor creep' into the venues, once that door is cracked open a bit, it's going to swing open and you're not going to be able to put the cork back into the bottle."

Students in Martyn's graduate course on "Crises, Politics, and Commercialism in the Modern Olympic Movement," are also involved with his Olympics research. They made a trip to Montreal and Lake Placid this past March.

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In Montreal, the students met with Dick Pound, a former president of the Canadian Olympic Committee and the World Anti-doping Agency. They toured the facilities that hosted the 1976 Montreal Olympics.

In Lake Placid, which hosted the 1980 Winter Games, the Windsor delegation toured the ski jumping, speed skating and sliding venues, as well as the U.S. Olympic training facility where they lunched with luge and bobsleigh athletes and members of the women's national hockey team.

"Overall this was an unforgettable experience that provided students with an opportunity to supplement the material learned in class with a unique

hands-on experience," said master's student Ryan McConnell.

Martyn investigates the historical evolution of the Olympic Games and the history of Olympic commercialism. He has served on the executive council of the International Centre for Olympic Studies, is the managing editor of *Olympika: The International Journal of Olympic Studies*, and is a distinguished visiting fellow at the Beijing Sport University. He co-authored a book called *Selling the Five Rings: The IOC and the Rise of Olympic Commercialism* and is editor of the recently published book *Tarnished Rings: The International Olympic Committee and the Salt Lake City Bid Scandal*. ■





*Wes Harding BEd '11***LIVING HIS DREAMS**

**In 2007, Wes Harding BEd '11 turned 40. He realized that he was happy yet unfulfilled.**

"I asked myself, 'What do you want to do with the second half of your life?'"

Harding was a respected grade 7 instructor at a private school in Sarnia, Ont., but his U.S. qualifications weren't recognized by the Ontario Teachers College. His goal was to earn a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of Windsor.

He applied to UWindsor but once accepted, his initial elation faded. Worried he would not be able to support his family while away at school, he reluctantly turned down the offer.

Instead, Harding set his sights on his second goal – to run the Boston Marathon. After a shoe store manager mocked his marathon dream, he began to doubt his chances but found inspiration in a motivational video that his pastor played during a Sunday service.

It was about Team Hoyt – the Boston Marathon Team of Charity and Qualified Runners. It raises funds for the Hoyt Foundation that aspires to build character, self-confidence and self-esteem in disabled young people.

"One of the first images that appeared in the video were the letters CAN being typed on a computer screen," recounts Harding. "That message really rang true in my ears."

That Sunday night, he stepped outside into -15 C, snow and wind, and ran five miles.

By 2010, Harding had lost more than 70 pounds and had begun to compete in races. While running a 10-km race in Sarnia, he collapsed unconscious 400 metres from the finish. It took four minutes for paramedics to revive him. He insisted on finishing the race after which the paramedics rushed him to the hospital where he learned he had been born with heart valve disease.

"The doctors told me that I was lucky. Most people don't find out until it's too late."

Running was encouraged to strengthen his heart. Just six months later in Toronto, he ran his first marathon with a time only 22 minutes off what he would need to qualify for Boston.

Harding felt it was time to fight for his dream of earning his education degree. In 2010, he once again applied to the University of Windsor and was accepted.

"I thought all the students would be half my age," he says. "But the first three students I met were all my age. Going back made me feel like a 20-year-old again. Some of the staff and faculty have become my close friends."

While studying at the university library in January 2011, he received a call from Team Hoyt letting him know that it had

accepted his application to run in the 2012 Boston Marathon as its first-ever Canadian runner. Only a handful of individuals from around the world are chosen from among thousands who apply each year.

Six months later, in June 2011, Harding walked on stage at the University's St. Denis Centre to accept his diploma, "a life-long dream come true."

Having fulfilled one dream, Harding was eager to realize his other. On race day, he donned his bib and joined the 22,500 other runners who had also decided to ignore the heat and chase their own personal measure of success.

As he ran past a Boston bank, sweat dripped down his face, burning his eyes and drenching his clothes. He squinted at the temperature reading on its sign: 94 degrees. It was 11:15 in the morning. Sixteen miles to go.

Harding commanded his muscles to continue, putting one foot in front of the other, fighting heat, exhaustion and the odds even the best runners face to persevere.

A few blocks from the end of the race, Harding's daughters stood waiting for him, carrying a large Canadian flag. They passed it to him as he charged by, the finish line almost in sight.

Boston's streets brimmed with 50,000 race fans. Harding's ears rang with their cheers, "Go Canada!" and "Go Team Hoyt!" during that final stretch. "It was so unreal. I literally had to pinch myself."

Harding finished with a time of three hours, 36 minutes and 10 seconds. He crossed the finish line, the Canadian flag held high. "I felt on top of the world!"

When he signed on for the challenge of the Boston Marathon, Wes Harding had another goal.

For the race, each runner is assigned a bib number that is the place the runner is expected to finish, based on qualifying times. Harding's goal was to finish better than his bib number of 6,287.

Just over three sweaty, painful hours later, he crossed the line carried on a wave of adrenaline, cheers and triumph.

Number 3,906.

Anything is possible. ■

Wes Harding will compete in the Lake Placid Iron Man Competition on July 22, 2012 where he will swim 3.8 kilometres, bike 180 kilometres and run 42.2 kilometres, both through the mountains.

Best of luck, Wes!





*Bre-Anne Fifield*

# ON THE FAST TRACK

**Learning that someone you love has breast cancer is a shock. When that person is a man, however, the news is even more stunning.**

“Less than one per cent of breast cancer cases are men,” says Bre-Anne Fifield, who was a teenager when her uncle was diagnosed with the disease. “You never think that someone you know is going to get it. And you don’t think it will be a man.” The diagnosis also meant that her family was at risk to develop breast cancer.

Her uncle received treatment and is now in remission. For Fifield, though, fighting the disease has become her focus.

The UWindsor PhD student is working with biological sciences associate professor Dr. Lisa Porter to determine how a certain protein can affect the development of healthy mammary glands.

To assist, Fifield received a PhD fellowship from the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation (CBCF) in 2011 for up to \$112,000 over three years.

“When I received the email telling me that I had won the fellowship, I had someone re-read it for me to make sure I’d read it properly,” she says. “I couldn’t believe it.”

The prestigious fellowship will allow her the luxury to work as a full-time researcher, rather than needing to take on graduate assistantships to earn an income.

“The fellowship means that I am further ahead in my research than I would have been otherwise,” she says.

Fifield, who grew up in Windsor and graduated from Holy Names High School, earned her undergraduate degree in biology at UWindsor. While still only in third year of the program, Fifield’s academic work so impressed Porter that the professor mistook her for a fourth-year student and invited her to begin working in her lab.

It was there that Fifield began to realize that research is her passion.

“It was cool to do a thesis as an undergraduate student – better than just reading in a textbook,” she says. “It was very hands-on and

gave me a better appreciation of the knowledge than simply reading about it would have.”

According to the CBCF, breast cancer continues to be the most frequently diagnosed cancer among Canadian women and rates second for mortality.

Fifield’s work focuses on how the Spy-1 “Speedy” protein regulates normal breast development, as well as its role in the initiation and progression of breast cancer. “Everyone has the Speedy

protein in their body. In the cases of breast cancer, we have noticed the levels of Speedy have increased,” she says.

Therefore, Fifield’s research wants to determine whether decreasing its levels helps halt or slow the progression of cancer. If it does, Fifield says that would make the case to develop a drug that would target the Spy-1 protein as a way to address the progression of breast cancer.

Porter is impressed with Fifield’s work. “Bre-Anne selected a very difficult project that required a great deal of work to begin collecting data.

“She excels academically and is a dedicated, serious researcher who attacks a complicated problem with vigour.” Porter says that she expects Fifield to make “significant contributions in the health science field.”

Porter encourages the students in her lab, as a team, to participate in community events that fight cancer such as the Canadian Cancer Society’s “Relay for Life”.

“A lot of the funding and support that our work gets is community based,” says Fifield. “So we believe it’s important to give back and to let the public know what we’re working on.”

She had considered becoming a teaching professor but now isn’t so sure she can ignore the lure of the research lab.

“I like that it’s something different every day. I like the challenge of figuring out why things are happening. Those small moments that come and you start to see the puzzle pieces coming together.” ■

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**UWINDSOR PHD STUDENT**

# CAMPUS NEWS

## CENTRE FOR ENGINEERING INNOVATION PHASE II ENTERS HOME STRETCH

**Work on UWindsor's \$112-million Centre for Engineering Innovation (CEI) is entering the home stretch and is expected to be complete by fall.** Recent milestone additions to Phase II of the project include the placement of the 10,500-lb. main steel staircase in the building's atrium area, as well as decorative and functional sunshades on the outside windows of the building.

Phase II will include lecture halls, faculty and administrative offices, student meeting spaces, a green roof and an Industrial Courtyard. Phase I, which consists primarily of research space, opened in June 2011.

One of the signature features of the building is the Industrial Courtyard, where industrial partners will set up shop to work with students and faculty researchers to develop new business ideas or work on engineering challenges they're facing.

Features such as the recently installed floating staircase in the building's atrium area are mini-miracles of creativity and ingenuity in themselves. The massive structure was put into place in one piece during an hour-long dance between a large crane and a forklift. Once complete, the staircase will appear to float in the middle of the room, with its structure contained in a steel beam running under its centre. The beam will also contain the staircase's mandatory fire prevention sprinkler system.

For more information about the Ed Lumley Centre for Engineering Innovation, including a virtual tour and construction progress photos, please visit: [www.uwindsor.ca/cei](http://www.uwindsor.ca/cei).



Before and after: CEI's functional sunshades.



## LUMLEY ROAST RAISES \$5.3 MILLION FOR CEI

**The 300,000 square-foot facility housing the Faculty of Engineering will be named the Ed Lumley Centre for Engineering Innovation (CEI) to honour the UWindsor chancellor.**

Lumley was a willing target of endless barbs about everything from his hair to his football skills, delivered by former prime ministers, premiers and federal and provincial cabinet ministers during a May 30 roast that helped raise \$5.3 million for the CEI.

During the event, held in Toronto's Royal York Hotel, President Alan Wildeman announced that the \$112-million facility will be named the Ed Lumley Centre for Engineering Innovation. The new home for the Faculty of Engineering will be a world-class hub for innovation when it opens this fall.

The largest contribution announced during the event was a \$2.5-million gift from BMO Financial Group to fund the BMO Collaborative Learning Forum within the new facility. This 350-seat, flexible classroom will feature state-of-the-art audio and video technology that will set a new benchmark for the teaching and learning experience.

"BMO is proud to support a strong and vibrant future for the University of Windsor," said Tom Milroy, chief executive officer of BMO Capital Markets. "Ed Lumley has made a remarkable contribution to both the public and private sectors throughout his career, and we're thrilled to see his name honoured with this important new facility. We hope that the BMO Collaborative Learning Forum, located in the building named for Ed, is worthy of his vision for the University."

Details of other corporate and personal donations pledged at the event will be announced in the months ahead.

Dr. Wildeman said, "Ed played a vital role in bringing the Centre for Engineering Innovation to life. I thank BMO Capital Markets, and all of the donors and friends who joined in this great evening of celebration. They are all valued partners, along with our provincial and federal governments, in helping us shape the future of innovation in Canada. It is an honour to us and a tribute to Ed's friends

and family that his name will be on the building."

"It's a great honour to have my name attached to this important new facility at the University of Windsor," said Lumley. "I'm proud to be closely associated with two institutions – the University and BMO – that have joined with others to ensure the long-term strength and vitality of this essential centre of innovation. This is indeed a great day for Windsor."

Peter Mansbridge, host of CBC's news program The National, was the master of ceremonies for the event that saw over 500 in attendance, representing Canada's top

politicians, business leaders and friends and alumni of the University of Windsor.

Sandra Pupatello, director of business development and global markets for PriceWaterhouseCoopers, former Windsor West MPP, and the former Minister of Economic Development and Trade, chaired the event.

"The engineering school was a big part of my work as an MPP, so to now assist in raising funds for it through a roast of our chancellor seems very appropriate," she said. "This dinner allows us to poke

some fun at Ed, while raising important donors and new relationships in the Toronto market. I hope this is just the beginning of corporate Canada getting to know the gem of southwestern Ontario – the University of Windsor."

Ed Lumley was born in Windsor and graduated from Assumption University of Windsor in 1961. He has served as a Member of Parliament and as a Minister of the Crown in several portfolios including Industry, International Trade, and Science & Technology. His career has also included board directorships at BMO Nesbitt Burns, Magna International, Bell Canada Enterprises, Canadian National Railway and DaimlerChrysler. Lumley has served as the University of Windsor's chancellor since 2006.



*Chancellor Ed Lumley BComm '61 and Sandra Pupatello BA '86, LLD '12 at the Toronto roast.*

## VISION UNVEILED FOR DOWNTOWN CAMPUS

**Excitement about the University's downtown campus continues to build with the April 18 presentation of preliminary renderings at the Windsor Armouries.**

"The University of Windsor is creating new spaces where our students, faculty and staff can be engaged in innovative teaching, learning and discovery, and where they can more effectively partner with the arts community and social agencies to make a difference," said Dr. Alan Wildeman.

"Our downtown campus will create an important cultural hub for our community, providing access to services and new ideas that speak to the quality of life, when it opens in the fall of 2014."

The renderings were created by CS&P Architects Inc., the firm that will work on all three historic projects: the Windsor Armouries, the Greyhound bus depot and *The Windsor Star* building.

Craig Goodman, managing principal for CS&P said, "This exciting new downtown university precinct, based on a collection of three remarkable heritage buildings, is truly inspirational. Each of the buildings harbour a wonderful and unique character that speaks to the history of the city, and offers dynamic synergies for these new, exemplary state-of-the-art student environments."

The Windsor Armouries will be transformed to become the home of the newly merged Schools of Music and Visual Arts.

The Film Production program will be relocated to the former bus depot, located directly across the street from the Armouries. The original art-deco façade will be restored and a new, one-storey addition will stretch the entire block north to Chatham Street.

The School of Social Work and the Centre for Professional and Executive Education will move into *The Windsor Star* building which will undergo a renovation unlike any other architectural design in Windsor.

"*The Windsor Star* building will receive a dramatic transformation that will leave the historic façade intact, but completely rebuild the structure into new teaching and learning spaces with convenient access for the community," said Wildeman.

In addition to a provincial government investment of \$15 million, the City of Windsor donated the Armouries and the depot, as well as \$10 million in funding. The remaining funding for these capital projects, which are expected to total approximately \$70 million, is separate from the University's operating budget, and will be supported through program revenues and fundraising.



*Architect's rendering of the re-imagined The Windsor Star building.*



*Interior courtyard of The Windsor Star building.*



*Birds-eye view of the armouries, the bus depot and the parkette.*



## SCHULICH CHARTER CLASS GRADUATES

**In April, the first 24 graduates of The Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry – Windsor Program** celebrated the completion of their Windsor studies with several events, including the temporary renaming of a stretch of road, “Schulich Way.”

Six maroon banners with the words, “We salute the charter class of the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry — Windsor program,” were hung on Ouellette Avenue in front of Hôtel Dieu-Grace Hospital. Dr. Gord Vail, chief of staff at Hôtel-Dieu, congratulated the students, saying “It’s just a great thing to see, watching them grow from these wide-eyed, ‘Hey, I’m a med student’ to being clerks.” Most graduates are headed elsewhere to complete their residencies, but some will stay in Windsor for placements in family medicine.

Dr. Gerry Cooper, associate dean of the Windsor Program, called it the manifestation of that critical ingredient — community support.”



## WORK UNDERWAY ON INTEGRATED PARKING AND INNOVATION CENTRE



*Architect’s rendering of the parking structure and Innovation Centre.*

**Contractors have commenced work to prepare the site of the parking structure and Innovation Centre** on the south side of Wyandotte Street at Sunset Avenue, across from the Odette Building.

The project will combine a two-storey building for services such as Campus Police and a cafe with a seven-level garage with up to 1,000 parking spaces.

President Alan Wildeman says that the centre “will enable us to consolidate much of the parking on campus onto a significantly reduced footprint, and create opportunities to add more green space and provide land for future capital development.”

The City of Windsor has begun upgrading the streetscape along Wyandotte Street through this corridor, creating a pedestrian-oriented environment while encouraging commercial development that supports the University and the surrounding neighbourhoods.

## GOLDEN GIRL WINS ON WORLD STAGE

**UWindsor psychology student Tessa Virtue and partner Scott Moir recaptured their world championship ice dancing title in Nice, France, on March 29.** The victory was sweet, coming one year after losing the title to their U.S. rivals, and two years after claiming it the first time.

The pair won the 2010 world title as well as the gold

medal at the Vancouver Olympic Games, but had to settle for second place at the 2011 world championship after a difficult season marred by Virtue’s recovery from injury.

At this year’s world’s however, they won both the short program and free skate, finishing with a total of 182.65 points – more than four points ahead of the defending titlists, Americans Meryl Davis and Charlie White.

## NEW MYUWINDSOR APP

**To make student life on campus more convenient**, the University has launched a free app compatible with Apple, Android and BlackBerry smartphones.

The app is primarily designed to connect UWindsor students with important course information, messages and the latest campus news and events but will allow the entire UWindsor community to stay in touch. Alumni will find the Daily News, maps and directory functions especially useful.

The MyUWindsor app provides mobile access to all the University's Internet-based services and information. The app is robust enough to offer even more functionality, including checking out the latest Lancer results and



listening to UWindsor's CJAM radio station, 99.1 FM.

"It is a priority for the University of Windsor to enhance the student experience with a wide variety of convenient services," says Dr. Alan Wildeman, UWindsor president. "Our IT and Public Affairs and Communications departments have been hard at work over the past several months working on the development and launch of this new tool that gives access to many campus services right in the palm of your hand. It's a powerful way of keeping our students, staff, faculty, alumni and visitors in touch with all the exciting things happening at their university."

The app can be downloaded at [www.uwindsor.ca/app](http://www.uwindsor.ca/app).

## CODY HALL DEMOLITION COMPLETED

**"When I first came to the University of Windsor in the summer of 1962 (then still known as Assumption), I stayed in Cody Hall which I believe was named after a local cleric when the Basilians ran Assumption."**

So begins a letter from alumnus Bernard Callaghan MA '73 which paints a picture of life in the former residence hall which was torn down this summer, 50 years later. The Board of Governors approved its demolition in June 2011 and preliminary work began last fall.

Callaghan noted that "the summer was very hot, but to stay in shape, I always took the stairs to my single room where I worked on my literary criticism course I took in Essex Hall from a Professor Zuberi."

The University retired the building as a residence in 2005 after it was determined that the cost to renovate it to current standards would be prohibitive.

Its last occupants included the International Student Centre, which moved to the second floor of Laurier Hall after a \$1.6-million renovation this past spring.

The building's footprint will be converted to a temporary parking lot while the new parking structure on Wyandotte is being built. After that, it will be green space.

Cody Hall also holds interesting memories for Lavern (Vern) and his wife Elizabeth (Beth) Pich.

"At the end of my third year of business and having finished my term as president of the Student Council, we were married in Assumption Church on May 19, 1962,"

recounts Vern. His appointment as night manager of the University Centre included the apartment on the centre's top floor. "When we returned from our short honeymoon, the previous tenant had not yet vacated, so we moved into a vacant 'prefects' unit in Cody Hall.

"For the first two weeks of our marriage, we were the only residents of Cody Hall." The couple celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 19, 2012.



*Cody Hall in a partially demolished state. Eventually, it will become green space.*



## STRATEGIC PRIORITY FUND COMMITS \$2.5 MILLION FOR 2012/13

**In an ongoing effort to support its strategic plan, *Thinking Forward... Taking Action*,** the University of Windsor has committed nearly \$2.5 million in 2012/13 funding for new initiatives and programs to improve the student experience, pursue strengths in research and graduate education, recruit and retain the best faculty and staff, and engage in and build community and international partnerships.

First established as part of the University's 2009/10 operating budget, the Strategic Priority Fund has an ongoing commitment to fund new programs that directly support the vision and values of the institution's strategic plan. Among the 30 projects approved for the 2012/13 budget year are:

- A commercial aviation and aerospace leadership option in the Honours Bachelor of Arts in Liberal and Professional Studies program. This new option is in response to a growing demand for university educated pilots and leaders in the aviation and aerospace industries.
- The In/Terminus Centre for Research and Creative Activity will provide for a team of faculty artists and researchers to develop interdisciplinary, student-led projects and installations in the Windsor/Detroit region.
- Funding to provide field, laboratory, and demonstration equipment for enhancing the environmental science curriculum and community outreach activities.

- 4Winds, a project facilitating Aboriginal participation in post-secondary science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Participating students in grades 6 to 8 will take part in science and technology experiences that are extensions of Aboriginal cultural practices in interacting with nature for health, food, shelter and energy.

- Centre for Engineering Innovation (CEI) Live Building Portal Development, a project that will make the building's innovative live building systems performance data available on the Internet. Live building sensors that monitor the building's bio wall, green roof, weather station, building wind distribution, and rainwater distribution systems, make the building a teaching tool that will be accessible to worldwide users through the portal project.

- Funding for the position of coordinator for Faculty of Science outreach activities. This three-year position will coordinate outreach programs for the faculty, including school visits, to support the Windsor-Essex community and raise awareness of UWindsor's many research and teaching strengths in the sciences.

Provost Leo Groarke says the Strategic Priority Fund has provided an outstanding way for faculty and staff to participate in seeing their creative ideas come to fruition and encourages every member of the campus community to take part in building UWindsor's future.

A full list of this year's SPF projects is available at [www.uwindsor.ca/spf](http://www.uwindsor.ca/spf).

## INVESTMENT IN RESEARCH TO PROMOTE AUTO INDUSTRY INNOVATION

**A million-dollar investment through the Automotive Partnership Canada** will assist in the development of manufacturing processes to produce lighter-weight car parts, says UWindsor mechanical automotive and materials engineering professor Daniel Green.

Green's project is directed at applying electro-hydraulic forming to auto parts. Dr. Green hopes the process could increase design flexibility and decrease production costs, while reducing vehicle weights and thereby reducing fuel consumption.

Last March, Federal Minister of State for Science and Technology Gary Goodyear announced an investment of more than \$1 million in the project.

"Innovation is about taking ideas to market and solving problems. The Automotive Partnership Canada initiative is all that and will lead to greener, better-performing vehicles while creating Canadian jobs and strengthening our economy," Goodyear said.

Dr. Green's project involves collaboration with Ford Research and Advanced Engineering, Amino North America Corporation, Novelis Global Technology Centre, ArcelorMittal Dofasco, and Natural Resources Canada's CANMET Materials Technology Laboratory.

He said the new funding will help him to attract qualified researchers.

"They will be the front runners when the auto industry wants to use this technology and hire people who understand it," he said.

Automotive Partnership Canada is a five-year, \$145-million initiative that supports collaborative R&D and pushes the Canadian automotive industry to greater levels of innovation. As this is an industry-driven initiative, automotive companies provide both financial support and essential in-kind contributions to ensure the research projects' success.







BY JENNIFER AMMOSCATO

# *Assumption Grads' Olympic Quest* **SILVER STARS**

**This summer, the London 2012 Olympics will command the attention of hundreds of millions of people around the globe. The University of Windsor's own connection to the Olympics stretches back to 1936 and some very muddy men playing in the Games' first-ever basketball tournament.**

They found silver in the mud.

Irving "Toots" Meretsky and Stanley "Red" Nantais '37 former Assumption College students (predecessor of the University of Windsor), played a starring role in the only silver medal a Canadian team has ever won on an Olympic basketball court.

Not that anyone would have called the rain-soaked field that played host to the 1936 championship a "court". It was there, however, that a world spotlight was shone on the sport – just barely out of its infancy – and on the young men who had fought to represent their country.

Their story began in the fall of 1933 as the Great Depression gripped the country. That was also the year that Glen Sherman, Don Desjarlais '36, William "Moose" Rogin '37, Meretsky and Nantais first stepped onto the basketball court as Assumption College's "Five Fighting Freshmen".

The campus' location, just a stone's throw from the U.S., meant access to its treasure-trove of gifted American student-athletes who enrolled as boarders, and that Assumption was a full-fledged member of the Michigan-Ontario college conference in football and basketball.

Exposure to this high level of competition led to Assumption's dominance on the field and the courts, according to local historian Michael Powers. The Fighting Freshmen won the Ontario college championship in its first year. As sophomores, the players captured the Eastern Canadian championship, but lost in the Canadian finals.

By 1935-36, both Meretsky and Nantais had moved on to a senior Windsor team comprised of players from local schools including Assumption College. Other players included

Ian Allison, who had graduated from Assumption in 1932, and Norman Dawson, who had also attended the college.

Known as the Windsor Alumni, the amateur team battled successfully for the Canadian Senior Basketball Championship in 1936, earning its players the right to travel to the Summer Olympic Games in Berlin, Germany, that year.

It was a trip that almost didn't happen. The team was broke. No government subsidy existed for sports. Thus, there was a real chance that the game

invented by Canadian Dr. James Naismith only 45 years prior would have no Canadian team to represent it at its Olympic introduction.

According to *The Olympians Among Us*, by Carl Morgan and Tony Techko, Gordon Fuller, who helped create the team, refused to consider such a possibility. When the team had first begun to play, Fuller had persuaded the Ford Motor Company to sponsor it, renaming it the Ford V8s in the company's honour.

**"NOTHING WAS GOING TO KEEP MERETSKY FROM THE OLYMPICS INCLUDING THE FACT THAT HE WAS THE ONLY JEWISH MEMBER OF A TEAM BOUND FOR HITLER'S GERMANY." TONY ATHERTON, WRITER, OTTAWA CITIZEN**



Now, with the Olympic trip in doubt, he went back to Ford, hat in hand, and walked out with the players basketball dreams intact.

All except former Assumption star “Moose” Rogin, that is. As a replacement player and not an official V8 member, he wasn’t eligible for the sponsorship. Rogin couldn’t muster the \$500—a king’s ransom in those days—to make the transatlantic trip.

“So I reluctantly had to drop out and it was a big disappointment, the biggest of my life,” Rogin later told Windsor historian Jonathan Plaut.

The 1936 Summer Olympic Games are remembered for many things. That is where history was made by Jesse Owens, the first black man to win an Olympic gold medal.

The Games also provided a glimpse of Nazi Germany’s public relations machine.

“The most astonishing sight was to see all of the soldiers, the gun carriers, the guns,” said Ford V-8 player Norm Dawson in the book, *The Olympians Among Us*. “Seeing thousands of German soldiers stand up and shout, ‘Seig Heill,’ ‘Seig Heill!’ When we got back to England and told people what we had seen, they just laughed and said war wouldn’t come...”

Stories of Jewish persecution had begun to reach North American shores. According to the Vancouver Holocaust Centre, many Jewish athletes chose to boycott the Berlin Olympics in an effort to disprove Nazi racism. Not Toots Meretsky.

In his article, “Berlin Olympics a breakthrough for Canadian basketball,” *Ottawa Citizen* writer Tony Atherton says that Meretsky had been the leading scorer in the Canadian championship tournament and one of the star players of the Canadian Olympic basketball team.

“Nothing was going to keep Meretsky from the Olympics,” wrote Atherton, “including the fact that he was the only Jewish member of a team bound for Hitler’s Germany.” He was advised not to venture outside the Olympic village.

Meretsky ignored the advice, wrote Atherton, and observed that when he ventured into Jewish neighborhoods in Berlin, “no one was on the streets, and the shades were drawn. I knocked at a few doors and was finally let in. It was obvious they were all scared.”

In comparison, the drama of the gold medal basketball game between Canada and the U.S. might have seemed almost anti-climactic – but it wasn’t.

The players met on a clay court, not wood. The clay was sodden and slippery after days of rain that had postponed the tournament twice. Organizers decreed that the final game would be played – rain or shine – on August 14, 1936.

Atherton’s story includes the recollection of Canadian player Gord Aitchison. “On the opening play, an American player raced down the court, caught a pass as his feet went from under him and completed the last 15 or 20 feet to the basket sliding on the seat of his shorts, water spraying out from both sides.”





1. Playing shuffleboard during the TransAtlantic trip.
2. Second from far right: American 1936 100-metre gold medallist Jesse Owens.
3. The Windsor Daily Star bears sad tidings.
4. The basketball team flanked by a Nazi guard in the Olympic Village.
5. and 6. Resting up for the 1936 Games.

Sam Balter, a U.S. point guard told Sports Illustrated that, "A comedy of errors and unfortunate circumstances had combined to make a sandlot affair of what should have been the greatest basketball tournament ever."

When you can't run or dribble, being able to jump is the deciding factor. The Americans were taller. They won 19-8.

The U.S. team won the gold medals but the Canadians surreptitiously collected their own memento, wrote Atherton. As the American players congratulated each other, Canadian player Jimmy Stewart scooped up the game ball, strolled over to where his wife, Mary, sat on the sidelines, and shoved the game ball underneath her Hudson's Bay blanket, saying, "Hold on to that."

Meretsky went home without even the silver medal. Only seven had been minted and he lost out when the team had drawn lots for them.

Sixty-three years later, the International Olympic Committee minted a new silver medal for Toots from the original mould.

In a May 2006 story about the well-loved Olympian's passing, *The Windsor Star* quoted his nephew, Harvey Strosberg: "Every time I saw him he'd say 'Hi Harvey, this is your Uncle Toots, known from coast to coast!'" **V**

## OLYMPIC DREAMS

WHAT FOLLOWS IS A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF UNIVERSITY OF WINDSOR INDIVIDUALS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE OLYMPICS EITHER AS ATHLETES OR COACHES.

- **Ian Alison '32** - 1936 Olympics (Basketball Silver Medal)
- **Ed Dawson** - 1936 Olympics (Basketball Silver Medal)
- **Irving "Toots" Meretsky** - 1936 Olympics (Basketball Silver Medal)
- **Stanley "Red" Nantais BA '37** - 1936 Olympics (Basketball Silver Medal)
- **Bill Couthard BA '48** - 1952 Olympics (Basketball)
- **Bill Pataky '57** - 1952 Olympics (Basketball)
- **Bernard Newman BA '33** (coach) 1956 Olympics (Gymnastics)
- **George Short MHK '73** 1960 Summer Olympics (Track)
- **Eli Sukunda** (coach) - 1967, 1980, 1984, 1988 (Fencing)  
Eli Sukunda fought back from being stabbed five times one night while working at a local tavern—one wound only an eighth of an inch from his heart—to compete in the Eastern Canadian Championships, the Commonwealth Championships, the Canadian Winter Games and the Olympics. He later served as coach of the University of Windsor fencing team. He won the University's Gino Fracas coaching award.
- **Andrea Steen BHK '79, DPB '82, LLD '02** - 1984 Olympics (Track)  
"After one year everything came down to a single race. Six hundred hours of training were on the line for 57 seconds. Fifty eight seconds was too slow!" said Andrea Steen, who sacrificed a year of school to qualify for the Olympic trials in the 400-metre hurdles. She succeeded and then made it to the Olympic semi-finals.
- **Jennifer Pace Hickey BHK '81** - 1984 Olympics (Track and Field)  
Enrolled at the University on a Commonwealth Scholarship, Hickey originally came from Malta. She threw her personal best at the Olympics, finishing 13th. In 1994, she was inducted into the University of Windsor Alumni Sports Hall of Fame.

- **Tricia Wysynski** (Kinesiology) – 1983 Special Olympics (Track and Field) Wysynski specialized in the 100- and 200-metre races as well as the long jump. She placed 7th in long jump and 15th in the 200-metre and 16th in the 100-metre races. Today, she is a certified level 3 National Coaching Certification Program coach and a former Cirque du Soleil performer.
- **Brian Arthur BHK '84** – 1976 Olympics for the Disabled (Swimming); 1984 Blind Olympics (Goal-ball) Partially blind since birth, Arthur would count the strokes to determine the far end of the pool. He also competed in high jump and pentathlon. In 1976, he won the bronze medal in the 400-metre individual medley.
- **Tom Nelson BComm '85** – 1984, 1988 Olympics (Baseball) Tom Nelson batted .417 in the 1984 Olympic tournament and was called “the glue that holds the team together.” He had two hits in three attempts, and scored two runs as Canada beat the eventual gold medal-winning U.S. team in their round-robin match.
- **Kelly-Ann Way '88** – 1988, 1992 Olympics (Cycling)
- **Jeff Tiessen BA '90** – 1984, 1988, 1992 Paralympic (Track and Field) In 1977, when he was 11, 27,000 volts surged through Jeff Tiessen’s body. His toboggan accidentally rode high snowdrifts over a fence and touched a copper pipe at a pumping station. Both arms were amputated but undaunted, he recovered and went on to compete in long jump, high jump, and the 200-, 400- and 800-metre dashes. Tiessen won the silver medal in 1984 in high jump. He won gold in 1988 in the 400 metres and set a world record as a double amputee. In 1992, Tiessen won the bronze medal in the 400 with a pulled hamstring.
- **Peter Fonseca BEd '95** – 1996 Olympics (Marathon) Peter Fonseca was the top finisher for the Canadian team, placing 21st overall in a 42.195-kilometre (26.219 mi) race with a time of 2 hours, 17 minutes and 28 seconds. He was later elected a member of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, representing the riding of Mississauga East—Cooksville for the Ontario Liberal Party from 2003-2011. Fonseca was named as Minister of Tourism and Recreation in 2007 and Minister of Labour in 2008.
- **Tessa Virtue** (psychology) – 2010 Olympics (Pairs Ice Dancing Gold Medal) Also see story on page 13.
- **David Greig** (BHK '01, MHK '06) – 2007 Parapanamerican Games. Greig was an assistant coach at the 2007 Parapanamerican Games. His athletes have won world championship and Paralympic Games medals.

*Courtesy: The University of Windsor Alumni Association Sports Hall of Fame ([www.uwindsor.ca/shof](http://www.uwindsor.ca/shof)) and The Olympians Among Us, by Carl Morgan and Tony Techko, 1995.*

## LANCER STAR TO COMPETE IN LONDON 2012 OLYMPICS

### **Windsor Lancers Track and Field star Melissa Bishop will be running down a dream at the 2012 Summer Olympic Games in July.**

Athletics Canada named Bishop as one of 40 track and field athletes for the team going to London, England.

The former University of Windsor Female Athlete of the Year locked up her spot on the Canadian Olympic Team with a second place finish in the Women’s 800 metres at the Olympic Trials in Calgary in June.

“This is huge,” said Bishop. “This is the Olympics and it’s everyone’s dream. I couldn’t be more excited.”

Bishop had already made the Olympic “A” standard after a spectacular performance at the prestigious Prefontaine Classic in Eugene, Oregon, earlier in the summer and needed only a top-three finish at the Canadian Olympic Trials.

In a slow and very cautious race, Bishop ran a smart race and secured her Olympic spot with a second-place finish in 2:07.56.

“In a race like that, because it’s so tactical, you just do what you need to do to get into the top three,” said Bishop, whose personal best time is 1:59.82. “I stayed on the outside and didn’t allow myself to get boxed in. Thankfully it all went well.”

Bishop is coached by legendary Lancer Head Coach Dennis Fairall.

“It was a huge relief, for one, and it was very emotional,” said Bishop. “I had all my family there. It’s been a really fun year with a lot of personal bests. I can’t wait for London and the chance to represent my country.”

*Courtesy: The Windsor Star and [golancers.ca](http://golancers.ca)*



# AFTERNOONS WITH THE DEVIL

*Growing up with rosaries,  
Wonder Bread and  
Sister Mary of Perpetual Help*

**Marty Gervais MA '72 grew up in a Catholic home in Windsor, Ont.** He attended Catholic schools where nuns ruled the day and taught their students English, phonics, arithmetic, history, and religion.

"We knew the names of every Pope from St. Peter to Pius XII. We could rattle off the names of the saints."

Gervais, University of Windsor's Resident Writing Professional and the City of Windsor's Poet Laureate, takes his readers back to those days with his latest offering *Afternoons with the Devil, Growing up Catholic in a Border Town*.

*Afternoons with the Devil* is an immensely enjoyable collection of Gervais' boyhood memories of growing up in a devotedly Catholic Windsor home in the 1950s, where a boy's world revolved around the school yard of St. Thomas School, sandlot baseball, and the hair-splitting distinction between sins that would land a six-year-old boy in Hell...or just Purgatory.

"We stood in front of the class and practised our 'confessions' with made-up sins (of course)," says Gervais, who is also the publisher of Black Moss Press and an award-winning *Windsor Star* columnist.

The book describes his struggle with conflicting career goals: hoping to play third base for the Detroit Tigers and becoming a priest because "We all wanted to go to Heaven."

Gervais' writing has the ability to transport his readers to the gloriously golden last day of school, or bring them up short by an encounter with the fire-breathing Sister Bartholomew.

The book focuses on young Marty, his brother and trusty sidekick Bill, and the hapless, possible firebug cousin Dennis, through the trials and tribulations of growing up Catholic in mid-century Windsor.

"Our whole life – education, home life, school yard, and our days – were spent in relation to the church. I remember my oldest brother wanting to join the navy, and my father – still concerned 10 or 11 years after the Second World War, – about such a decision. He drove my brother to the church rectory and spoke with the priest to get his approval. Who would do that today?"

Readers can almost smell the little-boy sweat and grass stains as young Marty and his pals walk the line between mischief and amassing the "indulgences" that would keep them from the fires of Hell. Prayers were a good way and so was confession – dutifully

recited every Saturday after a trip to the Centre Theatre.

Gervais' deftly juxtaposes the memories of his childhood terror of bullying nuns and priests with those individuals who shaped his love of the arts and encouraged his creativity, keeping the stories light and providing perspective for readers.



*The University's resident writing professional and author Marty Gervais tells of growing up a Catholic and a Detroit Tiger fan.*

"There is exaggeration of course in this book — it all makes for a better story," says Gervais. "But the characters are true, and so are the incidents. There is a mixed sense of nostalgia in those innocent days, but the horror and pressure one felt from teachers and priests were real. There was so much trust we put into priests and nuns, and we truly felt their intentions were pure."

Today of course, we realize that this was not always the case. The Roman Catholic Church continues to deal with a slew of accusations involving priests and sexual abuse that dates back decades. While Gervais was to reply "no" when his mother awkwardly inquired years later as to whether or not he had ever been abused, he notes that he did see it happen to others.

"All these years later, the stories of these horrors are coming out," he says, but adds that he consciously chose to offer memories that provide a contrast for such darkness.

"Those among the priesthood and religious life who were kind and generous and sensitive are certainly a balancing of the good and the bad. I survived because of those good people," Gervais says.

"From my piano teacher, a hard driving, take-no-prisoners nun, I learned discipline. I learned never to compromise when it came to art. From my Grade 6 teacher, also the principal of the school, I fell in love with language and story telling, and drawing and image making. She was an artist and she'd sweep away the math books and turn the classroom upside down and we would spend the day drawing and painting.

"These people helped me to my feet and made me a better person. No exaggeration!" ▀

*Afternoons with the Devil, Growing up Catholic in a Border Town*, by Marty Gervais, is available at the University of Windsor Bookstore and online at Amazon.ca.

## OUTSTANDING OPPORTUNITIES



*In spring 2012, Jessica Smith, Ashley Keefner and Gyllian Porteous were among the graduating class of Outstanding Scholars honoured at a luncheon attended by President Alan Wildeman, and the program's coordinator, Dr. Barbara Niewitecka.*

**The scholarship funds weren't what attracted Ashley Keefner to the Outstanding Scholars program.** Instead, says the newly minted BA grad, it was the opportunity to work closely with faculty members.

Her inter-faculty program allowed her to work on research projects with physics professor William Baylis and philosophy professor Marcello Guarini. The experience has inspired her to pursue graduate studies in related fields following her June 2012 graduation.

"I liked getting exposure to the sort of work the professors do," Keefner says. "It was the best part of being an outstanding scholar."

The Outstanding Scholars Program is geared to those students who have the potential to become student leaders in their academic field during their four years at the University of Windsor.

During their first year of studies, students are mentored by a program coordinator. If eligible, based on grades, they undergo training at the beginning of the second year to work closely with faculty on various academic projects.

Provost Leo Groarke announced earlier this year that the Outstanding Scholars program is expanding beyond a limited number of disciplines to encompass every academic program.

"This is UWindsor's premiere student engagement program for high-achieving undergraduates, providing our students with opportunities that are not available at other universities," Dr. Groarke said. "Expanding it will allow us to make it a program that defines us across the institution, highlighting the quality of the undergraduate education available at the University of Windsor."

The change will become effective in September 2013, said vice-provost, students and international, Dr. Clayton Smith. "Because of the success of the program, we felt a need for all disciplines to participate."



# LANCER NEWS

Get the latest on the Lancers by visiting [www.GoLancers.ca](http://www.GoLancers.ca)

By Elisa Mitton BComm '05



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

## LANGLOIS, WALTERS NAMED LANCER ATHLETES OF THE YEAR

**Lancer standouts Miah-Marie Langlois and Matt Walters were selected as the top female and male Lancer stars of the year**, winning the Banner and Olympic Shields, respectively at the 2011-12 Evening of Excellence in April.

Langlois had a tremendous season. She was named the CIS Defensive Player of the Year in Women's Basketball and helped lead the Lancers to their second national championship title in as many years.

In addition to leading the country in steals and finishing third in assists, Miah was named the MVP of the national tournament in Calgary for the second consecutive season.

"It's such a great honour to win the Banner Shield as the female athlete of the year," commented Langlois. "There have been so many amazing women who have won this award in the past. I'm thrilled to be associated with them."

Walters also had a magical year with the Lancer Cross Country and Track & Field programs. He earned all-Canadian status in both sports and was named the CIS male track athlete of the year.

Walters received the Hec Phillips Trophy as the MVP of the OUA Track & Field championships, and won two gold medals at the national championships. In Cross Country, he captured the individual bronze medal at both the provincial and national championships.

"I am so proud to be able to represent the University of Windsor and the Lancer program," added Walters. "I want to thank all of my coaches and teammates who have helped push me and motivate me over the years."

The DeMarco Awards, presented annually to the top female and male students who best combine academic achievement with athletic prowess, went to Lancer hockey player Steve Ferry, and track & field athlete Nicole Sassine.



*From left to right: Matt Walters, Miah-Marie Langlois, Nicole Sassine, Steve Ferry.*

The Windsor Lancer Gino Fracas Coach of the Year Award was presented to Football head coach Joe D'Amore.

In the regular season, Coach D'Amore led the Lancers to a 5-3 record en route to capturing the Tuffy Knight award as the OUA Football coach of the year. In the playoffs, Coach D'Amore and the Lancers dominated Ottawa in the OUA quarter-finals to advance to the Yates Cup semi-finals.

"Winning the Gino Fracas Coach of the Year award is very humbling," said D'Amore. "It's a privilege to be the head coach of the Lancer Football program and to help carry on the legacy of Gino and the entire Fracas family."

The female rookie of the year award went to Track & Field's Sarah Swain, while Evan Stibbard from Men's Hockey, won the male rookie of the year.

"A" Awards, marking major contributions to Lancer Athletics went to the Lancer men's volleyball team for their tremendous spirit and support of all Lancer athletic programs.

# ALUMNI NEWS

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



UWindsor alumni care about their alma mater. That's the obvious conclusion when almost 5,000 of you responded to our spring alumni email survey.

This past May, the Alumni Board received a consultant's report on the effectiveness of our communications and programs. In addition to the email survey, the review included on-site interviews with staff and volunteers, and focus group discussions with alumni and students.

Reaching out and engaging with both students and alumni is what you have told us should be the priorities for the Alumni Association. We could not agree more. The development of lifelong relationships with our students before they graduate, and when they begin their new status as alumni, is central to our mission.

Thanks to the thousands of alumni throughout Canada and beyond who participated. We appreciate your deep interest in your alma mater. You can stay up-to-date by joining us on LinkedIn and Facebook or by visiting our website [www.uwindsor.ca/alumni](http://www.uwindsor.ca/alumni).

On another exciting note, like last year, we are thrilled to welcome more than 3,100 new graduates to our membership following six convocation sessions in June.

We're just one year away from our 50th anniversary! Watch *VIEW* and eNews for updates about upcoming anniversary celebrations, as well as this summer's busy calendar of alumni events.



SUE WILLIAMS BHK '85, MHK '88  
President, Alumni Association



## STUDENTS SHOW THEY HAVE THE “RIGHT STUFF”

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION IS A PROUD SPONSOR OF A NUMBER OF ANNUAL AWARDS TO AN EXCEPTIONAL GROUP OF STUDENTS WHOSE ACCOMPLISHMENTS HAVE POSITIVELY IMPACTED STUDENT LIFE.



The **Alumni SOS (Students Orienting Students) Volunteer Spirit Award** is presented to a student who is highly active in the program, has achieved a high academic standing, and has served as a strong role model for other volunteers. Congratulations

go to this year's recipient, Dayna Rae Ouellette. She has been involved with SOS since 2008 and volunteered with Windsor Welcome Week, Head Start and Summer Information Programs. She has mentored first-year students as a Community Outreach team member and a U-Crew leader.



The **Alumni VISA (Volunteer International Student Association) Spirit Award** is presented to a student who is active in **VISA**, has achieved high academic standing, and has demonstrated dedication to VISA and the University.

SOS volunteer Amrita Chawla captures the essence and spirit of what VISA is all about by providing motivation and encouragement to her fellow students. Chawla demonstrated her outstanding leadership skills by assuming a major role in organizing the Celebration of Nations.



The association's **Dramatic Art Alumni Scholarship** was given to Jennifer Hare. The award, presented to a third- or fourth-year student in Dramatic Art, recognizes outstanding potential in the performing arts or in the technical/production or

design areas. Hare provides an understated, assured model of professional behaviour to her peers in the classroom, the rehearsal studio onstage and off. A dedicated theatre practitioner, Hare has a love of the field and a desire for self-improvement.

The **Alumni Super Sophomore Award** is presented to the top male and female second-year students based on athletic and academic success. This year's recipients both hail from the Odette School of Business: Austin Kennedy (Football) and Korissa Williams (Women's Basketball).



Kennedy was named an OUA All-Star after leading the nation in touchdown passes with 20 while also completing 65% of his passes for a school record of 2,108 yards. Kennedy is an A student and a member of the President's Honour Roll.



Williams followed up her rookie campaign with a great sophomore season helping her team win the CIS National Championship for the second straight year. One of the most athletically gifted players in Canada, she was one of the top rebounding guards in the

CIS while finishing sixth in the nation in steals. Williams represented Canada and the University of Windsor at the FIBA World Under 19 Championships in Chile last summer.

## PRESIDENT ASSIGNS “HOMEWORK”

Whether at a president’s alumni reception, a reunion, golf tournaments or other alumni activities, count on University President Dr. Alan Wildeman to encourage UWindsor alumni to “tell us your story”.

At each of the many events where he has met with alumni in the past year (see photos at right), the president has assigned what he calls “homework” – to tell others about why they are proud of their alma mater. He has invited each alum to visit [www.uwindsor.ca/yourstory](http://www.uwindsor.ca/yourstory) to submit a brief write-up that will appear on the University’s website.

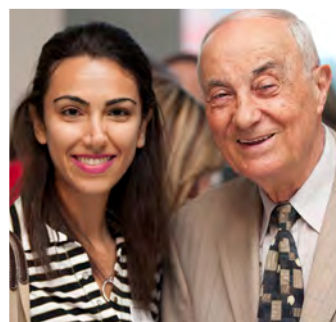
“The pride of UWindsor’s alumni, students, faculty and staff strengthens our reputation. Therefore, we invite you to contribute to UWindsor’s growing momentum by letting us know why you’re proud of your university,” says Dr. Wildeman in his messages.

As part of the University’s alumni outreach initiative, the Pride for the Lifetime Tour continues. President’s Alumni Receptions have been held in Chatham, Sarnia, Essex County, Windsor and London, with a trip to Hamilton planned for October 3.

Engaging UWindsor alumni will continue with special events planned for the University’s 50th anniversary, says Susan Lester, alumni director.

“We want to invite all UWindsor grads to be part of the celebrations,” she says. “You can help plan a reunion for your class or group or simply come to campus for the events that will be held, and enjoy reminiscing.”

Watch for more information in upcoming issues of *VIEW* magazine, and the Alumni eNews or contact the Office of Alumni Affairs to find out how you can participate [alumni@uwindsor.ca](mailto:alumni@uwindsor.ca).





## CARON HONOURED FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE

**Dr. Richard Caron estimates that he has taught 2,495 students in 69 courses.**

The mathematics & statistics professor's unselfish approach to nurturing students and younger faculty led him to the convocation stage in June to accept the Alumni Award for Distinguished Contributions to University Teaching.

Caron, who began teaching at the University in 1983, cites a Chinese proverb when asked to describe his teaching philosophy: "Tell me and I'll forget; show me and I may understand; involve me and I'll understand."

"Students learn best when engaged during their classes," he says, adding that he works to help students discover their own strengths and interests, then designs programs to help them achieve their goals.

Caron's teaching scores are consistently high over all courses, and earned him the award for the Highest Weighted Mean Teaching Score in the Faculty of Science for the past two years. He received the inaugural Faculty of Science Roger Thibert Teaching Excellence Award in 2011.

In addition to his teaching responsibilities, Caron has served as department head, director of the Operational Research Program, dean of science and executive dean of the former combined Faculty of Science & Engineering.

Caron has been listed in the Who's Who of Canada since 1997. He served on the Board of the Canadian Mathematical Society chairing the Education Committee; he is a past president of the Canadian Operational Research Society and an associate editor of their journal INFOR. He is past chair of the Ontario Graduate Scholarship Program.

The alumni teaching award, established in 1987, honours and recognizes faculty members who have been nominated by colleagues, alumni and their students. The award is intended to provide incentive and encouragement for achieving excellence in teaching and learning at the University of Windsor.



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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2012

AMBASSADOR AUDITORIUM  
(2nd Floor CAW Student Centre)

5 o'clock p.m.

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## 1960s

**Ruth Waltman** BA '67, BA '74, owner, Expedia Cruise Ship Centers, Windsor, Ont.

## 1970s

**Peter Arison** BA '76, board of directors, Continovation Services Inc., Ottawa, Ont.

**Deborah Bitzer** BA '77, owner, Deborah Bitzer Inc., Essex, Ont.

**Darryl Cailles** BA '71, chair, executive VP and managing director, Enriched Investing Incorporated, Toronto, Ont.

**Theresa Campbell** BA '77, development coordinator, Gilda's Club WNY, Buffalo, NY.

**Susanne Craig** BA '78, VP, human resources, Cunningham Lindsey, Mississauga, Ont.

**Reinhart Feimer** BComm '79, account manager, Royal Bank of Canada, Leamington, Ont.

**Mary Fox** BA '73, LLB '76, recipient, Law Society Medal from the Law Society of Upper Canada, Toronto, Ont.

**Joy Green** MA '73, registered psychologist, Nelson, B.C.

**Donald Halpert** BA '73, VP, human resources & organizational development, Thunder Bay, Ont.

**Michael Lambert** BComm '78, audit committee, Yellow Pages Group, Calgary, Alta.; senior VP and CFO, Parkland Fuel Corporation, Red Deer, Alta.

**Thomas LaSorda** BA '77, BComm '77, MBA '81, LLD '06, CEO, Fisker Automotive, Anaheim, Calif.

**Paul Mann** LLB '74, president, Paul M. Mann Professional Corporation, *Stanford Who's Who*, Cambridge, Ont.

**Richard Peddie** BComm '70, LLD '01, retired president and CEO, Maple Leaf Sports, Toronto, Ont., Leader-in-Residence, Odette School of Business, University of Windsor, Windsor, Ont.

**Thomas Porter** BA '74, LLB '78, Charles J. Clark Award recipient, April 28, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Paul Reddam** BA '76, BA '77, owner, "I'll Have Another", winner of the Kentucky Derby, Lexington, Ky., and the Preakness Stakes, Pimlico Md., May '12.

**Peter Robinson** MA '75, MEd '86, LLD '10, author, *Before the Poison*, Toronto, Ont.

**Gordon Ross Thompson** BMus '74, editor, Society for Ethnomusicology's *SEM Newsletter*, music professor, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

**James Wesenberg** PhD '77, provincial medical/scientific director, Laboratory Services, Alberta Health Services, Red Deer, Alta.

## 1980s

**Matthew Alter** LLB '85, partner, Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP, Toronto, Ont.

**Charles Ballantyne** BComm '84, CFO, Adeona Pharmaceuticals, Ann Arbor, Mich.

## GRAD OWNS DERBY WINNER

The fastest two minutes in sports couldn't have gone any slower for UWindsor grad **Paul Reddam BA '77**

"I was just kind of numb through the whole race, and opened my eyes when it was over," he told *The Windsor Star* after his horse, I'll Have Another, captured the 2012 Kentucky Derby in May.

The route Reddam originally chose for his life was far removed from the excitement and risk of horse racing. After graduating from the University of Windsor with a bachelor's degree in psychology, he left the city to study philosophy, eventually teaching the subject at the University of Southern California before beginning a career in finance.

I'll Have Another also won the Preakness Stakes before being retired due to injury the day before the Belmont Stakes and a run at the Triple Crown.

**Ronald Binks** BA '82, 2011 branch manager of the year, Nedco, Brantford, Ont.

**Barbara Bjarneson** BA '82, recipient of the June Callwood Award for Outstanding Volunteerism, Province of Ontario '12, Toronto, Ont.

**Stephen Bolton** BComm '88, CEO, Libro Financial Group, London, Ont.

**Antoni Cimolino** BFA '84, D.HUM '04, artistic director, The Stratford Shakespeare Festival, Stratford, Ont.

**Ronald Fairchild** BHK '81, VP, advancement, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia.

**Jerry Fisher** BComm '82, MBA '10, president, Verto Laurus Consulting, Dorchester, Ont.

**Laurie Freeman-Gibb** BScN '87, assistant nursing professor, University of Windsor, Windsor, Ont.

**Adam Bruno Furfaro** BFA '86, executive director, Rosebud Centre of the Arts, Rosebud, Alta.

**Robert Gabinet** BComm '82, VP, finance, Provincial Sign Systems, Pickering, Ont.

**Rita Gevaert** BA '89, training manager, In Home Tutorial Services/Educational Consultant, LaSalle, Ont.

**Brian Heagle** LLB '88, corporate lawyer, founding partner, Feltmate Delibato Heagle LLP, governance chair, Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital Foundation, Nov. '11, Burlington, Ont.

**Jerry Hughes** BASc '86, CEO, Stellar Roofing and Solar, Wheat Ridge, CO.

**Bruno Ierullo** MA '86, executive director of employment and social services, City of Windsor, Windsor, Ont.

**John Kryk** BA '85, NFL columnist, Sun Media, Toronto, Ont.

**Randy Le Clair** BEd '85, managing director, Manulife Asset Management, and portfolio manager, Manulife Preferred Income Fund, Manulife Financial, Toronto, Ont.

**Thomas LeClair** BA '84, lead instructor, Tactical Combat Casualty Care course, Kiev, Ukraine, March 16, '12.

**Daniel MacDonald** MBA '86, COO, Pioneering Technology Corp., Mississauga, Ont.

**Peter McCormack** BA '88, MA '91, business development manager, Papp Plastics & Distributing Ltd., Windsor, Ont.

**Kristine Moore** BA '89, emergency 911 supervisor/trainer, Windsor Police Services, Windsor, Ont.

**Susan Novosad** BHK '82, MEd '88, integrated service manager, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Kentville, N.S.

**Craig Pickard** BComm '81, managing director, Incentive Lynx Security Ltd., London, UK.

**Pardu Ponnappalli** BSc '82, MSc '84, PhD '91, author, *Just a Bunch of Crazy Ideas*, Amazon.

**Sandra Papatello** BA '86, director of business development and global markets, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Toronto, Ont.

**Bruce Reid** BComm '82, president and CEO, Carlisle Goldfields Ltd., director, Multivision Communications Corp., Scarborough, Ont.

**Ronald Rivait** BA '88, BEd '90, president, Lambton Kent Elementary Teacher's Federation of Ontario, Wallaceburg, Ont.

**Calvin Robb** LLB '83, lawyer, Robb & Evenson Lawyers, Calgary, Alta.

**Douglas Ross** MBA '87, chair, Faculty of Business and Law, Kingston University, UK and managing director, Square Peg International, Betchworth Surrey, UK.

**Yvette Sands** BSc '89, executive VP, The Source River Ltd, Nassau, Bahamas.

**Jeffrey Segeren** BComm '88, VP, Advice & Service Delivery, Libro Financial Group, London, Ont.

**Antoinette Seymour** BA '84, council secretary and executive assistant to the president, The College of The Bahamas, Nassau, New Providence, Bahamas.

**Christopher Shorts** BComm '84, director, gas supply, Union Gas, Chatham, Ont.

**Valerie Tingey** LLB '89, Valerie J.T. Ferguson Professional Corporation, Gravenhurst, Ont.

**Henry Tseung** BA '81, BEd '83, senior pastor, Westside Calgary Chinese Alliance Church, Calgary, Alta.

**William Weese** BHK '80, MHK '83, professor and dean, Faculty of Health Sciences, Western University, London, Ont.

**Carla Winterbottom** BFA '87, curator, Beverly Arts Center, Chicago, Ill.

**Anthony Yim** MBA '86, owner, Anthony Yim Chartered Accountant, Scarborough, Ont.

## 1990s

**Michael Banitsiotis** BComm '90, sales and marketing manager, Tube-Mac Industries, Stoney Creek, Ont.

**Paul Barbisan** MBA '91, portfolio manager, BMO Nesbitt Burns, Burlington, Ont.

**Christina Barrager** BA '94, English and dramatic art teacher, Peel Board of Education, Bolton, Ont.

**James Booth** BComm '98, BCS '01, direct sales manager, Ontario & Western Canada, Abicor Binzel Canada, Mississauga, Ont.

**Michael Da Ponte** BComm '97, president and managing partner, BMM Direct & Digital, Toronto, Ont.

**Shawn Filice** BASc '92, MBA '02, president, COO, St. Thomas Energy Inc., St. Thomas, Ont.

**Julie Fraser** BSc '98, doctor of podiatric medicine, Foot Care Institute, Windsor, Ont.

**Douglas Green** BA '98, LLB '03, partner, Sullivan Festeryga LLP, Hamilton, Ont.

**Mary Havlik** BA '93, operations officer, United Nations Department of Safety and Security, N'djamena, Chad.

**Sharon Hill** BA '90, 25th anniversary as a reporter, *The Windsor Star*, Windsor, Ont.

**Robert Kaufman** BComm '97, director, Human Resources-Transportation Systems ISC, Honeywell Technologies Sarl, Rolle, Switzerland.

**Paul Lucier** BA '94, managing director, Northern Europe & Russia, Research In Motion Limited, Stockholm, Sweden.

**Anastase Maragos** BComm '91, partner, Watson Goepel Maledy LLP, Vancouver, B.C., advisory panel, Enegi Oil Plc, Manchester, UK.

**Matthew Marchand** BComm '90, president and CEO, Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce, Windsor, Ont.

**Kevin McElhone** BASc '97, VP and general manager, Dynamic Structures, Port Coquitlam, B.C.

**Kevin McIlwain** BA '96, CAO, Town of Arnprior, Arnprior, Ont.

**Bonnie Missens** LLB '90, corporate solicitor, Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority, Saskatoon, Sask.

**Kamleh Nicola** LLB '90, IP practice, Baker & MacKenzie LLP, Toronto, Ont.

**Anne Pappas** BA '93, BEd '94, LLB '98, assistant dean of law, Thompson Rivers University, Kamloops, B.C.

**Carrie Phillips** BA '98, BScN '99, public health nurse, clinic services team, Chatham-Kent Public Health Unit, Chatham, Ont.

**Jennifer Tanner** BA '93 project manager, City of Windsor, Windsor, Ont.

**Christopher VanNeck** BHK '91, sales manager, Tilbury Chrysler, Tilbury, Ont.

**Adam Vasey** BA '99, LLB '02, MSW '08, director, Pathway to Potential, Windsor, Ont.

**Christopher Zelezney** BA '94, sergeant, Community Services/Emergency Preparedness, University of Windsor; recipient, Microsoft Technology Innovation 2012 Award, along with team from Campus Police, Toronto, Ont.

## 2000s

**Marian Acsiniuc** MEN '08, climatic testing operations engineer, Chrysler LLC, Auburn Hills, Mich.

**Riaz Ahmed** BCS '05, purchaser, Network Mechanical Inc., Thornhill, Ont.

**Shannon Bennett** BComm '03, manager, communications and advertising services, Postmedia Network Inc. Toronto, Ont.

**Susan Blight** MFA '07, *Wherever You're Going I'm Going Your Way*, an exhibition of photography, video and mixed media work, March '12, Hamilton, Ont.

**Eric Boekhoven** BSW '09, MSW '10, therapist/owner, Insight Counselling Service, Windsor, Ont.



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

**Veronica Cheng** LLB '00, lawyer and principal, Pacific Rim Immigration Law, Vancouver, B.C.

**Megan Clarke** BComm '07, senior accountant, Collins Barrow, Toronto, Ont.

**Melissa Compton** BComm '02, VP, operations, Black Stone Sports, Kingsville, Ont.

**Christina Cuffari** BFA '06, actor, starring as Olivia in feature film *Roaming*, Halifax, N.S.

**Amanda Cyr** BA '08, theatre in education animateur, Magnus Theatre, Thunder Bay, Ont.

**Matthew Dilullo** BComm '03, sr. vaccine specialist, GlaxoSmithKline, Mississauga, Ont.

**Norah Franklin** BSc '09, MSc '11, biotechnology program co-ordinator, University of Windsor, Windsor, Ont.

**Jamie Goodmurphy** BASc '09, naval combat systems engineering officer, Canadian Forces Royal Canadian Navy, Halifax, N.S.

**Tianhua Gu** MM '08, accounting assistant, Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario, Toronto, Ont.

**Mark Hominick** BComm '06, featured in documentary, *Lights Spirit Pride*, about Ultimate Fighting Championship, Toronto, Ont.

**Gregory Ioanidis** MBA '01, VP, ITC Holdings Corp., and president, ITC Michigan, Novi, Mich.

**Gerjon Kalaci** BSc '05, LLB '09, MBA '09, recipient, Rising Star award, The Windsor Essex Region Chamber of Commerce Business Excellence Awards, Windsor, Ont., April '12

**Megan Kearney** BA '07, art director, Good World Games, Toronto, Ont.

**Jason Killing** BScN '09, RN, Emergency, Hamilton Health Sciences, Hamilton, Ont.

**Bailin Li** MA '06, online ticketing manager, National Centre for the Performing Arts, Beijing, China.

**Lisa Lipton** MFA '06, artist-in-residence, Gatekeeper's Lodge at Point Pleasant Park, Halifax, N.S.

**Valerie MacGregor-Rempel** BFA '06, owner, Valerie D. Rempel Photography, Bright's Grove, Ont., and president, World Art Games Canada representative, World Art Games, Croatia, 2013

**Zakaria Mahbub** BCS '01, BSc '05, programmer/analyst, Erie St. Clair CCAC, Windsor, Ont.

**Thomas Malenfant** BComm '04, CSR product manager, Motorola Solutions, Markham, Ont.

**Damian Maxwell** BComm '09, investment banker, Cranson Capital, Toronto, Ont.

**Anthony Meo** BHK '05, chiropractor, Chiropractic & Rehabilitation Centre, LaSalle, Ont.

**Katherine Misener** MHK '05, assistant professor, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ont.

**Catherine Montesdeoca** BA '01, special constable, Ontario Provincial Police, Toronto, Ont.

**Jessica Morrow** BHK '09, kinesiologist, ICC Healthnet, Windsor, Ont.

**Lorraine Parke** BSW '08, owner, Rain's Consulting, Woodbridge, Ont.

**Michele Patella** BHK '08, owner, Sweat Personalized Training Solutions, Tecumseh, Ont.

**Rachelle Patterson** BScN '05, registered nurse, Windsor Regional Hospital, Windsor, Ont.

**David Piche** BHK '03, partner, Windsor Walk-In Chiropractic Clinic, Windsor, Ont.

**Kristen Poisson** BFA '06, president/artist, Orion Contracting, London, Ont.

**Richard Radford** BHK '02, owner and doctor of Chiropractic, Sunrise Chiropractic, Red Lake, Ont.

**Meghann Schlaff** MHK '08, event coordinator, Dallas Stars & Dallas Mavericks, American Airlines Center, Dallas Texas

**Logan St. Clair** BA '01, BEd '06, Arts Educator of the Year '11, Brampton, Ont.

**Lindsay Switzer** BHK '06, kinesiologist, Schlegel Seniors Villages, Hamilton, Ont.

**Rowena Tan** BScN '08 RN, The Ottawa Hospital, Ottawa, Ont.

**Colin Van Dam** BHK '09, technical sales representative, Shoppers Home Health Care, Chatham, Ont.

**Nicholas Watters** BA '07, BA '08, capacity building specialist, Knowledge Exchange Centre, Mental Health Commission of Canada, Ottawa, Ont.

**Leslie Weinz** BA '04, BEd '05, teacher, Greater Essex County District School Board, Windsor, Ont.

**Jeremy Williams** BHK '02, clinic manager, certified pedorthist, BioPed Footcare Inc., Markham, Ont.

**Mariam Yousefi** BA '09, founder and president, Pioneer Communications & Marketing Inc., Hamilton, Ont.

## 2010s

**Dewan Mohiuddin Al Azad** BComm '11, retention specialist, Rogers Communications, Toronto, Ont.

**Mykhailo Cheremnykh** MBA '11, actuary, Risk Institute, Kiev, Ukraine.

**Jenny Drouillard** BA '11, owner, Tutoring Solutions, Windsor, Ont.

**Marc Funkenhauser** BMus '10, featured saxophone (woodwind) player on the "Wild & Wacky Woodwinds" education concert series, Windsor Symphony Orchestra, Windsor, Ont.

**Vishwanath Gedigeri** BAS '11, piping specialist, Snamprogetti Canada, Calgary, Alta.

**Enessa Habib** BA '10, flight attendant, Air Canada, Toronto, Ont.

**Lauren Holmes** BA '11, junior therapist, Spectrum Intervention Group, Ottawa, Ont.

**Devender Kainth** BASc '11, mechanical engineer, Kiewit Energy Canada, Calgary, Alta.

**Umair Khan** BComm '10, internal auditor, The Narmco Group, Windsor, Ont.

**Caress Lee** BA '11, youth leadership coordinator, United Way of Chatham-Kent, Chatham, Ont.

**Jennifer Luu** BSc '10, manager, financial services, Canadian Insurance Brokers Life Inc., and member, Board of Directors, Advocis - The Financial Advisors Association of Canada, Toronto, Ont.

**Tiffiney Martin** BFA '11, bridal consultant, Bridal Gallery, LaSalle, Ont.

**J.C. Tyler McKinley** BComm '11, part owner, SkillSweep Inc., Windsor, Ont.

**Amber Neville** BComm '10, HR advisor, Business Development Bank of Canada, Toronto, Ont.

**Swaroop Palit** BASc '11, industrial engineer, CompX, Waterloo, Ont.

**Tricia Porter** MSW '11, co-ordinator, Halton Violence Prevention Council, Burlington, Ont.

# Weddings

**Michelle Baker** BSc '06, and Brent McKelvie, Feb. 19, '11. Michelle is senior policy advisor, Ministry of the Environment, Minister's Office, Toronto, Ont.

**Meaghan (Cote) Bonn** BA '06, BEd '08, and **Geoffrey Bonn** BA '10, July 12, '11, St. John's, Antigua. Meaghan is a teacher, Greater Essex County District School Board, Windsor, Ont.

**Shannon (Ruller) Isherwood** BA '07, and Kevin Isherwood, Nov. 11, '11, Oakville, Ont.

# Births

**Margaret (Thuring) Deneau** BMus '04, and Brent Deneau, a son, Cole Werner, Oct. 12, '11, Windsor, Ont. Margaret is owner, "Sweetheart Diapers & More", Windsor, Ont.

**Drew Macaulay** BA '98, BEd '99, and **Shelly Johnston** BMus '02, a daughter, Molly, Nov. 3, '11, Goderich, Ont.

**David Towers** BA '96, and Tammy Towers, a daughter, Ainsley Marie, Jan. 31, '11, Newmarket, Ont. David is executive director, Rivera Inc., Riverside Place Long Term Care, Windsor, Ont.

# In Memoriam

**Ronald Barnes** BA '65, Jan. 16, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Peter Bedard**, retired chauffeur, University of Windsor, April 15, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Jean Bielecki**, retired Leddy Library, Bibliographic Searching Section supervisor, University of Windsor, Feb. 21, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Jennifer Brimner** BA '93, Jan. 31, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Horst Buchen** CBA '72, Jan. 19, '12, Fla.

**Bernard Buhlman** BA '57, May 4, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**James Cadwell** BA '55, Feb. 20, '12, London, Ont.

**Glenn Carpenter** BA '50, April 26, '12, Los Alamitos, Calif.

**David Carter** BComm '65, MBA '69, Feb. 12, '12, Kitchener, Ont.

**Lorna Chamberlain** MEd '83, April 23, '12, London, Ont.

**Wendy Chapman** BA '79, Jan. 8, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Gordon Chappell** CBA '68, Jan. 25, '12, Orillia, Ont.

**Dalton Charters** BA '51, Jan. 1, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Raymond Debleu** BComm '71, Feb. 21, '12, Mississauga, Ont.

**Theresa Dolan** BA '88, Jan. 3, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**John Foran** BA '78, Dec. 13, '11, Windsor, Ont.

**Judy Gagnon**, secretary to the Vice President, Research, University of Windsor, April 14, '12, Fla.

**Gerald Gall** LLB '72, March 18, '12, Edmonton, Alta.

**Mark Gibson** BSW '94, MSW '09, May 26, '11, Woodstock, Ont.

**Patricia Haddad** BA '70, MEd '90, April 24, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**John Hoffman**, former professor of religious studies, University of Windsor, Founding Principal of Iona College, Feb. 25, '12, Toronto, Ont.

**Mary Hopps** BA '96, Jan. 28, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**J. Josie Iannetta** BA '82, Feb. 14, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Birute Januska** MBA '84, Jan. 18, '12, Tampa, Fla.

**Richard King** BA '73, April 3, '12, Kingsville, Ont.

**Gia Kramer** BA '73, Jan. 14, '12, Manchester, N.H.

**Sydney Leightizer** MEd '77, Feb. 18, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Susan Longstaffe** DPN '71, BA '79, Dec. 23, '11, Chatham, Ont.

**Ross MacKinnon** BA '57, Oct. 8 '11, Cambridge, Ont.

**Richard Malicki** BA '74, March 28, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Doris McCordic** BA '90, July 14, '11, Sarnia, Ont.

**Tedfred Myers** associate professor, School of Dramatic Art, University of Windsor, Feb. 2, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Abdulghanni Nhaesi** MASc '86, PhD '99, assistant professor, chemical engineering, University of Bahrain, March 7, '12, Sakhir, Bahrain.

**Madeleine Parent** LLD '85, March 12, '12, Montreal, Que.

**John Penney** BA '70, Dec. 11, '11, Windsor, Ont.

**Harold Pillon**, retired, accounts payable supervisor, University of Windsor, May 22, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Colene Pindera** BASc '94, Jan. 27, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Ronald Poole** BA '70, Feb. 27, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**David Porter** BA '76, Jan. 24, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Susan Rossmann** BEd '80, April 21, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Ken Roughton** BA '87, MBA '07, Dec. 16, '11, Windsor, Ont.

**Angela Schiller** BA '76, March 16, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Deborah Seney** BA '79, Jan. 14, '12, Chatham, Ont.

**Michael Shami** BA '70, MEd '78, March 17, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Barbara Maria Simpson** BA '83, Jan. 1, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Dorothy Skakoon** BA '71, BEd '75, MEd '78, April, 19, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Denis Smith** BA '76, April 12, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Juliette St. Onge** BA '76, BEd '77, April 21, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Gerald St. Pierre** BSc '57, Jan. 1 '12, Windsor, Ont.

**William Steele** LLB '85, Jan. 15, '12, Kingston, Ont.

**Kenneth Stiers** CBA '68, April 10, '12, Cottam, Ont.

**Milton Stodolny** BA '52, Feb. 5, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Thomas Towns** BA '73, April 13, '12, Windsor, Ont.

**Frank Trutwin** BComm '58, March 11, '12, Hamilton, Ont.

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