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# MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

The current byword across the University of Alberta is change. We will soon be transitioning to a new President, to a new budget model, and to new expectations for Faculties. Here at Augustana, we have been preoccupied with many additional changes, some very visible, some more hidden.

Among the more obvious and visible changes are our infrastructure improvements. The Jeanne and Peter Lougheed Performing Arts Centre, which we opened with a gala celebration on November 1, is already having a transformative impact on Augustana and the Camrose community. It is also drawing attention from across North America for its unique sustainability features. Old Main (Founders' Hall) has a new exterior, and renovations are beginning on a new, more open and more efficient design for the building's interior. Finally, plans are in place for renovations on the lower level of the Forum to create an Aboriginal student commons and flexible, multi-purpose spaces for the entire Augustana community.

Off campus, Augustana is completing construction of the Miquelon Lake Research Station, a facility that will support student and faculty research in fields as diverse as environmental studies, rural sustainability, and tourism studies.

Change is also being driven by enrolment growth. Augustana's enrolment is up 6% this year, continuing a several-year trend and reaching our highest number of students since merger. Clearly, the public is becoming more aware of the "Augustana Advantage"—the term we use to describe the unique opportunity students have here to earn a degree from a top-five Canadian and top-one-hundred world university while joining and participating in a welcoming, close-knit campus community that is focussed on mentoring students and preparing them for lives as engaged citizens and future leaders.



Augustana is also diversifying. Challenged by the Provost of the U of A, we have recognized a need to become more entrepreneurial, thereby generating additional revenue for investment in our core business—undergraduate education. Toward that end, we have created two new positions, one to focus on community-based programming (from camps for youth to executive education) and one to focus on new international programming (for example, faculty development programs for instructors from Chinese or other overseas universities).

Amidst all the change, I'm pleased to report that much remains the same. Events during the fall such as Score!, the Respecting the Land Conference, and the opening address by Distinguished Alumnus Dr. Lalit Chawla for our annual theme (Illusion) demonstrate the amazing spirit and energy of the Augustana community. I hope you will have an opportunity to join us during the coming year and participate in some of our amazing programs. Thank you for your ongoing support and interest.

Warm regards,  
Dean Allen Berger

# EXCITEMENT CONTINUES TO BUILD AT AUGUSTANA

There has been a frenzy of construction and renovation on the University of Alberta's Augustana Campus in the past few years. Since we broke ground for the new Library in 2007 – and replaced Ole's Crossing with a land bridge to the senior residences – the face of Augustana has changed dramatically.

The Library is finished, and we have been using the Forum for several years. We have a new Facilities & Operations building and a paved parking lot in front of the Faith & Life Centre. We're not done yet: excitement continues to build at Augustana!

One major project was just completed, another is visible from Quad every day. A third is about to begin, and a fourth is on the horizon.

## THE JEANNE & PETER LOUGHEED PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE



At the November 1 Opening Night Gala of the new Performing Arts Centre in Camrose, the facility was named for some of Alberta's strongest supporters of the arts.

"Jeanne and Peter were often referred to as a team, and their

legacy shaped a progressive attitude in support of cultural initiatives, which will continue to resonate in this state-of-the-art building for generations to come," said Camrose Mayor Norm Mayer.

Jeanne (Rogers) Lougheed was born in Forestburg and grew up in Camrose, where her father practiced medicine. Her love for dance, music and song defined her early years. She met future Premier Peter Lougheed, with whom she shared and inspired a lifelong love for the arts, at the University of Alberta. They would become patrons and advocates of the arts, attending the symphony, ballet, and theatre throughout their public and private lives together.

You can find out more about the decision to name the facility after Jeanne and Peter on the Augustana website. We also invite you to read about the cutting-edge design and sustainability features of the new facility or check out the upcoming productions at [camroslive.ca](http://camroslive.ca).

The Jeanne and Peter Lougheed Performing Arts Centre is part of the Augustana Campus of the University of Alberta, but it serves a dual purpose, supporting the educational programs for the university and functioning as a community facility for Camrose and the surrounding region.

## FOUNDERS' HALL/"OLD MAIN"

Old Main is being equipped to serve Augustana Campus for the next hundred years! This signature building was constructed in 1912 and has provided space for residences, dining, classrooms, studios, offices, and maintenance over its many iterations.



The current renovation is the most extensive. We have peeled back the exterior walls to check on their condition, added insulation and replaced the wooden siding with weather-resistant materials. We are adding an elevator, energy efficient windows and doors, plus a modern heating and cooling system.

Inside, we are redesigning the floor plan to support student services, faculty, administration, and undergraduate research. The first floor has been informally dubbed the Campus Living Room. Along with the Prospective Students' Office, the Living Room will be a welcoming space for all visitors to campus. It will contain displays for awards and memorabilia from our century of history.

The second floor will include the Learning-Advising-Beyond offices, a place for integrated, holistic advising services including career counseling. The third and fourth floors will combine faculty offices and student research spaces. The lower Garden Level will house the Alumni and Development Offices, and feature a large conference room which will open out to an outdoor programming space on the southwest corner of the building.

Funding for the renovation project has been provided by Alberta Infrastructure and the University of Alberta. We hope to add

a pedway between Founders' Hall and the second floor of the Forum, and are seeking philanthropic gifts to realize the additional \$375,000 necessary. We expect to open our doors in the new building in September of 2015.

## CREATION OF AN ABORIGINAL STUDENT COMMONS

The lower level of the Forum is receiving a substantial redesign. When a \$1 million capital grant was made available by the University to develop a space for the needs of Aboriginal students on campus, we seized on the opportunity to convert and redesign this important but under-utilized area.



First, this project will create much needed space for Aboriginal Student Services as we expand to serve the needs of a rapidly growing Aboriginal student population and to accommodate new services and programming to be delivered by both visiting Elders and university staff. Second, the redesign will provide a flexible, attractive space for both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal groups, events involving 30 to 100 people, and lounge spaces for casual gatherings.

In redesigning the space, we are working in close consultation with Elders, community members, and students. In addition to creating a space for Aboriginal students to gather, we hope to improve the aesthetics and functionality of the downstairs area while creating informal opportunities for everyone on campus to be exposed to, learn from, and take part in Indigenous cultures and traditions.



You can find out more on the Augustana website. The project is slated to be completed by September of 2015.

## CLASSROOM BUILDING AND SCIENCE EXTENSION

“To prepare students for a constantly changing, interconnected, and global society and for a world of work in which they will likely need to reinvent themselves, reinvent their jobs, and change careers multiple times over a lifetime, Augustana needs modern, state-of-the-art teaching and learning environments,” Augustana Dean Allen Berger explained at the Alumni Brunch in October. “So the transformation of the campus will and must continue.”

The next major initiative on the horizon is the renovation and expansion through new construction of the Classroom Building and Science Extension. This project is part of Augustana’s strategy to manage our enrolment growth: the number of students attending Augustana has been increasing every year for the past six, and we saw a 6 per cent increase this year alone. With a short-term target of 1200 students, we need to invest in our teaching and learning environments.

“I am pleased to report that the University of Alberta has made this one of its highest priority infrastructure projects,” Berger said, “so we will be working together to seek needed government funding to get it done.”

We will provide updates on the Science Extensions initiative through the Augustana website, Circle Alumni magazines, and the eCircle monthly email.





**Dr. KYLA WRIGHT**  
BSc Biology '07

Well-being is important to Kyla Wright. Not just her own, but the well-being of the members of her community.

"I knew I wanted to do something in the health care field," she explained. After evaluating a number of career options in the medical field, Kyla was drawn to naturopathic medicine. "The principles seemed to resonate with what I felt was necessary to achieve well-being."

Now a Doctor of Naturopathic Medicine, Kyla chose to bring her practice back to the North. She was drawn back to Yellowknife as a community that helped shape her, in order to offer alternative – and complementary – health services.

"Augustana taught me how to be independent, as it was my first time away from home and family. [It] was paramount in teaching me how I could best learn and apply myself in the world."

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Profile by Myranda Bolstad

Kyla's services range from acupuncture and traditional Chinese medicine to nutritional assessment and dietary advice, or from botanical medicine or homeopathy to sending clients for chiropractic adjustment or massage therapy. Kyla's office is also part of the Gaia Integrative Clinic, where she and a community of wellness practitioners can work together to treat illness and help patients and clients become more aware and empowered when it comes to their own health care.

It is this need for a sense of community that drew Kyla to study at Augustana.

While choosing where to study and live away from home for the first time, she visited a number of schools. Augustana just seemed to fit best, as a small school that was also worldly. Kyla highlights the diversity and globalism at Augustana as examples, such as the ability to participate in programs that immerse you in other cultures, like her own study tour in India.

"When I first visited Augustana, I felt instantly welcomed. Augustana taught me how to be independent, as it was my first time away from home and family. [It] was paramount in teaching me how I could best learn and apply myself in the world."

While her experience at Augustana prepared her to manage the big city life, she is happy to be back in her home community, where she can be closer to her family as she begins to raise her own. Kyla and her husband, who finished his own program in naturopathic medicine and joined her in her practice this summer, welcomed their first child in June.

Breitkreutz credits his growth as a young researcher to the years he spent at Augustana earning an undergraduate degree in math, physics and philosophy.

Profile by Bev Betkowski

Since the age of 10, Dylan Breitkreutz's granddad urged him to study medicine. He listened.

Dylan won the 2013 NSERC \$10,000 André Hamer Postgraduate Prize for his master's thesis work on finding better tools to gauge effectiveness of cancer treatments. The prize is given to promising young scientists based on academic excellence, research potential and interpersonal skills.

Based in the oncology department in the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry, Breitkreutz is proud to uphold a family tradition of attending the U of A's Augustana Campus in Camrose.

In fact, Breitkreutz credits his growth as a young researcher to the years he spent at Augustana earning an undergraduate degree in math, physics and philosophy.

"If it weren't for my time at Augustana, I don't think I would be here now. They offered a smaller physics and math program, and I got to know my teachers pretty well. I was spurred on to find research projects."

As an undergrad at Augustana, he spent summers in the lab, writing a paper on computational mathematics that was published in 2011 and a second paper on the entropy of cell signalling pathways that was published in the high-profile journal PNAS in 2012. He was the lead author on both.

Today, Breitkreutz is in the second year of his master's work at the U of A, focused on magnetic resonance spectroscopy as a way to sharpen early evaluation of cancer treatments, breast cancer in particular.

Breitkreutz's research hones in on the spine, a common area for

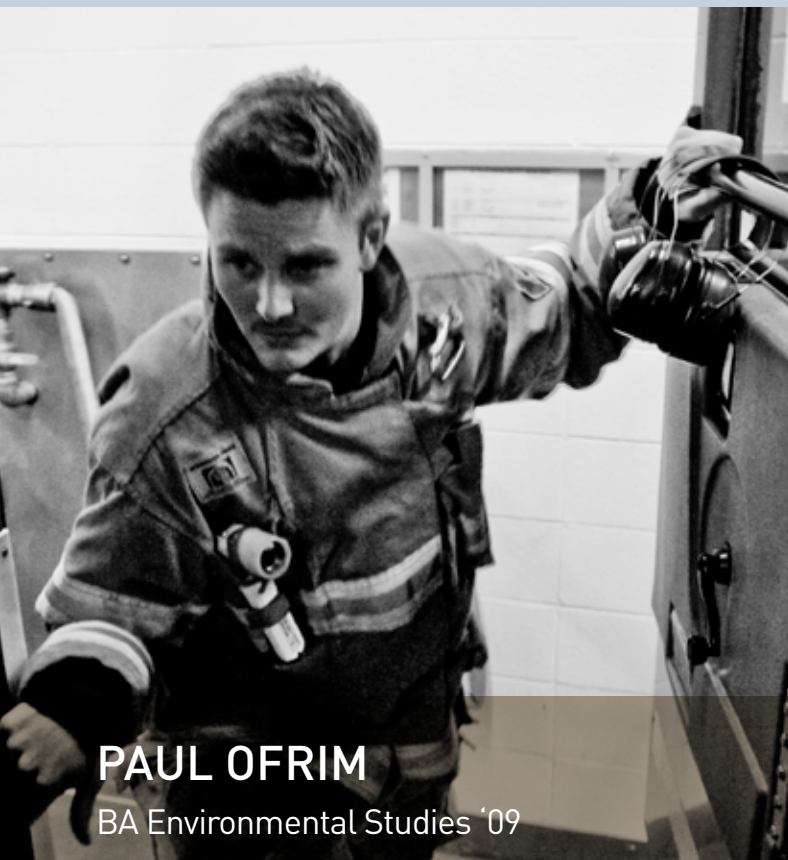


**DYLAN BREITKREUTZ**  
BSc Math/Physics '12

breast cancer to spread. Fat levels in spinal bone marrow appear to decrease when a tumour takes hold, and increase when a patient is responding well to treatment. His work concentrates on ways to improve measurement of these fat levels, in the hopes of showing how radiation therapy is working for a cancer patient.

Once he earns his master's degree in medical physics, Breitkreutz, deeply committed to his field, plans to move on to a PhD.

"I want to do something with my life that makes a human contribution. Medical physics can be a nice mix of clinical, academic and research work, and has a worthwhile, tangible outcome. It has the potential to directly affect people's lives."



## PAUL OFRIM

BA Environmental Studies '09

When Paul Ofrim goes to work each day, he never knows if he'll be dealing with a vehicle collision, a boating rescue, or a cat in a tree.

As a firefighter for the Edmonton Fire Department, Paul says, "My job tests my ability to adapt quickly to a situation and to use all of my training and life experiences."

Paul credits Augustana with preparing him for his career. "The Fire Department looks for attributes such as leadership, teamwork, communication skills, and a sense of public service," he says, "all of which Augustana helped me develop."

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Profile by Pam Chamberlain

When Paul thinks back to his Augustana experience, he remembers canoeing down rapids, hiking up a mountain, dog-sledding under the northern lights, and scoring points during tight basketball or volleyball games. "This was not your typical classroom," Paul explains, "but I thrived. It was during outdoor education trips and on the athletic teams that I learned the most about teamwork, leadership, and myself."

The most challenging part of being a firefighter, Paul says, is witnessing the physical pain and emotional distress people experience during traumatic events. However, he adds, "It's incredibly rewarding to know I've made a difference in someone's life, whether it's by performing CPR on someone who is in cardiac arrest, using equipment to safely remove someone from a wrecked vehicle, or teaching a kindergarten class about fire safety. Every time I go to work, I have the opportunity to help people."

Paul's job also allows him to give back to the community. The department's involvement with charities has given him the chance to help out by pumping gas, participating in boot drives, and growing moustaches, all for a good cause.

The diversity that his job offers, plus the endless opportunities to be of service, keep Paul passionate about his work, always eager to see what the next workday will bring.



“My experiences with the choir are some of the highlights of my time at Augustana,” she says. “It made me want to keep singing, and to study conducting as well.”

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Profile by Stewart Prest

Sing music, will travel.

At least, that was the experience for Meghan Rayment, an Augustana graduate with a bachelor’s degree in music.

As a native Camrosian, she didn’t have far to go to get to the campus each morning, but while touring with the Augustana Choir she was able to visit New York, Italy, and even—as an alumna —Hungary.

“My experiences with the choir are some of the highlights of my time at Augustana,” she says. “It made me want to keep singing, and to study conducting as well.”

In the years since her graduation, she has kept to that course, adding elements to her education through a Master’s degree in Choral Conducting at the North Campus in Edmonton, and most recently starting an after-degree in education.

Says Meghan, “My goal is to teach music in the school system, preferably at the elementary level.

“I’ve always wanted to be an elementary school teacher, and my experiences at Augustana, and later at the U of A, helped me to understand how I could do that in combination with music.



**MEGHAN RAYMENT**

Bachelor of Music '07

“Singing with the choir, for instance, made me want to learn more about choral singing and conducting. I began working with children’s choirs and am now an active member of the Alberta Kodály Association, which is dedicated to the music education of children.”

In some ways, it may seem that she hasn’t travelled that far at all. Meghan grew up in Camrose, and now calls Edmonton home. She wanted to be an elementary school teacher growing up, and will soon be leading music classes in school.

Meghan would probably disagree, however. For her, the path she took to get from there to here has made all the difference.

## AUGUSTANA A HUB OF ACADEMIC RESEARCH



Dr. Neil Haave

For the next two years, an Augustana faculty team has been selected to take over the editorial responsibilities for an international academic journal which publishes research on teaching and learning methodologies.

The Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education selected our team – including Neil Haave, Janet Wesselius and Roxanne Harde – to manage *Collected Essays on Learning and Teaching* (CELT). They are joined by Michael MacKinnon (University of Winnipeg), John Plews (St. Mary's University) and Geneviève Boulet (Mount St. Vincent University).

"We're so pleased to have CELT here at Augustana," says Associate Dean of Teaching and Associate Professor of Philosophy Dr. Janet Wesselius. "Neil and Roxanne and I have had ongoing discussions on teaching and pedagogy for a number of years. Now we get to share those discussions more widely."

"The journal is about the scholarship of teaching and learning," explains Associate Professor of Biology Dr. Haave. "Having that editorship here will help raise the profile of how seriously we take teaching and learning here at Augustana."

The study of teaching and learning is practical. It asks what enables students to learn best and retain what they learn. How do students become active and engaged in their own learning? What teaching practices help enable that engagement? CELT is a platform for asking and answering these questions.

"This is applied research," says Haave, "so the paper must be credible. But it must also be accessible – readable by the instructor on the front lines. And it has to be usable." He believes that the new editorial team will enhance CELT by focusing on papers that are based on both sound research and reflective practice, readable by people who are not experts in education research, and with conclusions that can be applied to the classroom.

Scholarly journals disseminate research to people in the field.

Editors send out calls for papers, manage peer reviews for those papers, and do final copy reviews.

"We will also be asking our colleagues here at Augustana to engage in peer review," says Haave, "which is another way to spread this information. For so long, Augustana has prided itself on excellent teaching. That is still our priority, but we are also reaching out to ask what is happening elsewhere."

"This is a feather in their cap," says Dean Allen Berger, "and it helps position Augustana and the University of Alberta in an international leadership position in discussing innovative teaching and learning at the university level." Berger announced that the team secured a University of Alberta grant to help support their editing role.

Augustana's international role and reputation in research publications is not limited to CELT, however.

Dr. Roxanne Harde, Associate Dean of Research and Professor of English at Augustana, is finishing a three-year term as editor of *Bookbird, an International Journal of Children's Literature*, and has just published the first issue of **BOSS** – an online journal focused on research about Bruce Springsteen's oeuvre. Associate Professor of Political Studies Dr. Sandra Rein has recently been selected to edit the *Journal of Socialist Studies*, which disseminates articles that describe and analyse social, economic and political injustice and liberation.

Furthermore, Harde and Rein have hired students to work with them on their journals. Harde believes that all of these journals represent opportunities for undergraduate research – and could attract graduate students to the University of Alberta to work on them.

"We talk about journals being housed where the editor is," says Harde. "In terms of research, we have become the little campus that could."



Dr. Janet Wesselius

## THE PROFESSORSHIP OF ROXANNE HARDE

Many people would find a professor's duties more than enough.

Faced with the yearly responsibilities of creating syllabi, researching classroom subjects, lecturing and grading, they stop there. Others research in their field and submit their findings for publishing. Some even take on further administrative responsibilities.

Associate Dean of Teaching and Research, recently promoted to full Professor of English Dr. Roxanne Harde, does all this and more. She is co-editor of several books published in the past few years and authored many published papers. She edits an international academic journal of children's literature, co-edits an online journal of Bruce Springsteen studies and one on teaching and learning, and mentors several summer student researchers every year.

Most recently, she applied for Augustana's first McCalla Distinguished Visiting Lecturer grant in order to welcome internationally renowned children's literature scholar Dr. Lydia Kokkola of Luleå University of Technology in Sweden to campus. Dr. Kokkola visited in the same week that Dr. Harde delivered her Distinguished Professorial Lecture, and they celebrated by announcing the launch of Eleanor H. Porter's Pollyanna: A Children's Classic at 100, the book they co-edited together.



Find out more about Dr. Kokkola's lecture topics and listen to Dr. Harde's lecture on our website at [augustana.ualberta.ca](http://augustana.ualberta.ca).



## FACULTY AWARDS

Augustana recognized the Alberta Centre for Sustainable Rural Communities' inaugural director Dr. Lars Hallström with the 2014 Augustana Research Award.

"Since coming to Augustana five years ago," said Associate Dean (Research) Dr. Roxanne Harde, "the winner of this year's Augustana Research Award has shown a deep commitment to his own work and the research culture of this campus. What he hasn't shown is a commitment to one particular research program."



To illustrate her point, Dr. Harde listed ten academic journals with publications from Dr. Hallström in the past three years. She mentioned two collections of research essays he has edited and are set for publication.

"I have had the pleasure and the honour of working with a number of different faculty members here on research grants, research projects, publications and collaborative work," said Dr. Hallström.

The Murray Lauber Distinguished Service Award was established to recognize outstanding citizenship and exemplary contributions to the overall life of the campus by a faculty or staff member. This year, Augustana Faculty recognized Psychology Professor and former Associate Dean (Teaching and Research) Dr. Paula Marentette.



"Even after stepping down as Associate Dean, Paula has continued to be a difference maker at Augustana," Dean Allen Berger explained. "She has led the charge and galvanized the faculty on matters related to Augustana's Core requirements, skills assessment, and learning outcomes clarification in our majors. The results-enhanced quality and increased accountability—have been hugely important."

## TEAMMATES CHIP IN ON AN ATHLETICS AWARD IN THEIR FRIEND'S NAME

### New University fund boosts gifts by \$1000!



Shawn Crickard's family, with Tyler Bellamy, Dean Allen Berger, and Vikings hockey players.

On hearing about Augustana's new program, Camrose Constable Tyler Bellamy (BA Phys Ed '09) called up 19 fellow alumni of the Vikings hockey program. He wanted to put together an award in the name of a friend.

"Our former teammate, Shawn Crickard, had passed away in September, and we wanted to do something to honour his memory," said Bellamy. "I called up a bunch of guys from the team and told them about this award idea."

The "award idea" is a new initiative at the University of Alberta to invest in our Vikings. The University will offer \$1000 each year for new, five-year \$2000 awards pledged by donors, thereby creating annual \$3000 awards for student-athletes. With 50 matching awards available each year, the program has the potential to increase award support for our athletes by \$750,000!

"I told the guys that if they put up \$100 a year for five years, then Augustana could offer a student athlete a \$3000 award every year," said Bellamy. "Individually, the money isn't a lot, and we can name it after Shawn. I think he would have liked that – money was always tight when we were students."



Photo courtesy Pro Sports Photography

Vikings Athletics have long been a leader in inter-university sports, especially through the Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference, with several individual athletes and teams earning national recognition. Our student-athletes excel at athletics while maintaining



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high grade point averages in their studies and providing leadership in many aspects of student life. The competition among universities for these student-athletes is fierce: these awards will help attract more and more talented prospects to earn an Augustana degree while wearing the Viking red and black.

"The best part about a \$3000 award in the name of our friend is that – in combination with the Jimmie Condon [athletic scholarship] – it means a tuition-free year for a student-athlete," says Bellamy.

Women's basketball player Talia Dale, second year Psychology student from Warman, Saskatchewan, received the Brett Binder memorial scholarship for \$2000 last year and her relief was immediate. "Every dollar you don't spend on tuition is a dollar you can spend on expenses," she says with a smile, "or it means less time at a part-time job while you're trying to juggle sports and school." Talia met the donors to the Brett Binder athletic award during the Community Awards Banquet and had a chance to thank them personally. "They really made a difference to my education, and to my dedication to the team," she explains.



"Being a former Augustana student/athlete and having coached many Vikings players since 2008, I understand the importance and true value of the scholarship opportunities presented to our current and future Vikings," says hockey coach Blaine Gusdal ('90). "The continued growth of our Vikings Hockey Program is greatly enhanced by your support through the matching grant opportunity and





Photo courtesy Pro Sports Photography

the development of the Shawn Crickard Award. These awards not only benefit the student/athlete through the financial assistance that they offer, but they also help build on the strong

history and tradition of Vikings Hockey and the many fine athletes that have worn the Vikings uniform in the past. Building on that history and tradition is an immeasurable recruiting tool that is certainly enhanced through the funding of these awards."

"This kind of support opens up a world of possibilities for supporting our student athletes," says Augustana's Dean Dr. Allen Berger. "We look forward to welcoming former athletes who wish to create an award themselves or want to help organize their former teammates to jointly fund an award, perhaps in the name of their team: for example, the Vikings Women's Basketball Team of '96 Award, or the '89 Cross-Country Ski Team Award. All it takes is a commitment of \$2000 per year for five years, from an individual or a group, and the award will automatically be increased by another \$1000!"

Please consider making a huge impact on a student-athlete's life by investing in his/her future. Help Augustana attract the best and brightest to our athletics teams, perhaps by naming an award after someone important in your own life. Contact our Alumni or Development offices for more information.



Photo courtesy Pro Sports Photography

## THE DETAILS:

This 1:2 match for new Vikings awards will provide \$1000 per year to match a gift of \$2000 per year. The donor's commitment must be for a minimum of five years. The net result will be a number of new \$3000 Vikings awards.

## THE NAME:

It's up to you! Name the award after yourself, your family, your team, to honour a teammate, your favourite coach or a favourite professor from your time at Augustana.

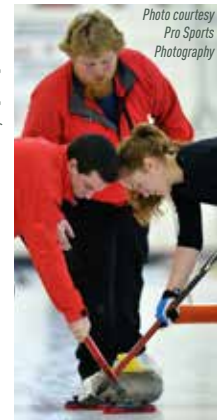


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## THE SPORTS:

Men's Basketball  
 Women's Basketball  
 Biathlon  
 Cross-Country Running  
 Cross-Country Skiing  
 Curling

Golf  
 Hockey  
 Men's Soccer  
 Women's Soccer  
 Men's Volleyball  
 Women's Volleyball

## CREATE AN AWARD ON YOUR OWN, WITH A FRIEND OR AS PART OF A GROUP!

If you have some ideas about how you can help start these new award opportunities for young student-athletes, please contact Alumni Coordinator Trina Harrison at [trina.harrison@ualberta.ca](mailto:trina.harrison@ualberta.ca) or 780-679-1105, the Augustana Development Office at 780-679-1131, or the Athletics Office for more information.

## AUGUSTANIANS INDUCTED INTO ACAC HALL OF FAME

On May 10, the Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference (ACAC) celebrated its 50th anniversary by establishing a Hall of Fame for the thousands of athletes, coaches and builders who have participated in the ACAC. Fifty people were selected to be honoured at the inaugural event, and five of them have close ties our campus!

### Dr. Garry Gibson (Coach)



In 1973, with a \$5,000 grant for ski equipment from the Camrose Rotary Club, Garry was able to start the cross-country ski program. Based on his PhD research in 1976, Garry designed the Outdoor Leadership Program at Augustana.

Over his career, he coached both the CLC Canoeing and Cross-Country Ski Teams until he retired in 1996.

### Trisha (Lorenz) Fossum '92 (Athlete)

Trisha combined the athletic accomplishments of 3 consecutive ACAC All-Conference Team Awards, 2 CCAA All-Canadian Team Awards, and 2 ACAC regular season scoring titles with an undergraduate Bachelor of Arts degree in which she maintained an Honour's Standing for all 3 years. She played 2 years at the University of Lethbridge and then coached at Augustana from 1994-99.

### LeRoy Johnson (Builder)

Leroy attended CLC before earning a Master's Degree in Education at the

University of Montana. In 1967, LeRoy became CLC's high school principal and worked to help the institution develop from its high school status into a degree-

granting institution. He helped create the Viking's hockey program, managing it from 1967-1980, and chaired the internationally renowned Viking Cup Hockey Tournament from 1980 to 1998.

### Kenneth Lovsin '86 (Athlete)

Ken played for the CLC Vikings Hockey Team from 1984 to 1986, then for the University of Saskatchewan Huskies before joining Canada's National Team in 1988. He was drafted by the NHL's Hartford Whalers in 1990 but played for the Baltimore Skipjacks until 1992. Ken joined Sweden's Mora IK and then played on Canada's silver medal 1994 Olympic team. Since his retirement, he has been an assistant coach in Minor Hockey in Alberta.

### Les Parsons (Coach)

Les, who has close ties with several Augustana Vikings athletics programs and coaches in Camrose, was inducted for his work with Lakeland College and coaching role with Olympian Beckie Scott and biathlete Morwenna Lane.



*LeRoy Johnson (L) and Ken Lovsin*

## NHL'S PENGUINS, HURRICANES COACHED BY VIKINGS ALUMNI

This season, two major US franchises will be headed by Vikings alumni!

Mike Johnston was named Dan Bylsma's replacement to become head coach of the Pittsburgh Penguins in June. Johnston will draw on his six years working



under Marc Crawford on the Canucks bench and two years with Crawford in Los Angeles.

He started his coaching career at 23 with the Camrose Lutheran College in Alberta (now the University of Alberta's Augustana Campus) from 1982 through 1987. He moved on to the University of Calgary and University of New Brunswick, as well as the Canadian national men's team.

Johnston has a master's degree in coaching science and has co-authored two books with ex-NHL forward Ryan Walter, *Simply the Best – Insights and Strategies* from *Great Hockey Coaches*, which profiles 12 highly successful coaches, and *Hockey Plays and Strategies*.

One of Mike's own athletes has already faced him across the ice. Three Hills native Bill Peters attended Camrose Lutheran College from 1986 to 1988 and played on the Vikings hockey team. In June, he was appointed Head Coach of the Carolina Hurricanes!

Find out about upcoming games and programs, or updates on victories or losses, at [vikings.ualberta.ca](http://vikings.ualberta.ca). Sign up for our weekly newsletter! You can also join the Augustana Vikings Facebook page or follow #UofA\_AugVikings on Twitter.

## AUGUSTANA REACHES OUT WITH COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING

In his Message on page 1, Dean Berger mentioned new, revenue-generating initiatives based on community-based programming. Meet Kate McConnell.



Kate has over six years of experience coordinating all aspects of community program development, delivery and evaluation. Prior to joining Augustana, she assisted independent theatre artists connect their work to audiences as Executive Director of STAF, a not-for-profit arts service organization. Kate holds a Bachelor of Arts in Drama from Bishop's University and an Honours Post Graduate Certificate in Arts Administration/Cultural Management from Humber College.

Since she started in September, Kate has been focusing on several areas for revenue generation, year-round activity on campus, increased profile, and community engagement:

- **Youth Programming:** exploring several options for year-round programming activities for youth, including summer camps and enrichment programming.
- **Extended Education:** building a business model for Augustana's version of executive education programming, aiming to launch a pilot program at the end of 2015.
- **Community Guide:** an annual printed community guide for our community to access information about all of the offerings available to them through Augustana.
- **Community Impact Measurement:** we want to measure the impact that we have on our community, investigating the best tools and practices for tracking and measuring our community impact.

All of these ideas and initiatives are currently in the planning stage, and we will share Kate's progress in the eCircle electronic newsletter and on our website at [augustana.ualberta.ca](http://augustana.ualberta.ca).

Kate's mission is to engage innovators, inspire community builders, foster creative thinkers, and motivate the leaders of tomorrow by building a foundation of enriching, educational, and accessible lifelong learning opportunities for all ages at Augustana. You can reach her with questions at [kate.mcconnell@ualberta.ca](mailto:kate.mcconnell@ualberta.ca).

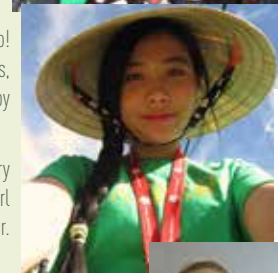
## UALBERTA GREEN & GOLD DAY CHALLENGE

On September 19, as part of the University of Alberta, Augustana Campus celebrated the fourth annual Green and Gold Day. Since we also respect our unique heritage within the U of A, we extended the day to include Red and Black – colours of our Augustana Vikings Athletics and our pre-uAlberta identity.

In the spirit of a little friendly competition, Physical Education and Recreation challenged Augustana to show which Faculty has the greatest school pride and spirit by donning their University of Alberta gear and taking to social media to post their photos. The Dean representing the Faculty with fewer posts would wear the victorious Dean's hockey jersey at a Council meeting.

Our students stepped up. Our faculty stepped up. Our alumni from across Canada and around the world stepped up. FUTURE Augustana students stepped up! As a result, according to judges, Augustana Campus triumphed "by a wide margin."

Pictured below: PER Dean Dr. Kerry Mummery (R) with Provost Dr. Carl Amrhein (L) and our own Dean Dr. Allen Berger at Dean's Council!



## POND LEVELLING DEVICES HELP PEOPLE AND BEAVER CO-EXIST

*Patricia Harcourt of the Viking Weekly Review, August 5 2014*



A demonstration in the Beaverhills moraine area of the county's west end highlighted a new way of thinking towards an old problem that pitted landowners against the county's namesake, the beaver.

The pond leveller device installed July 29 in a beaver pond just north of the intersection of R.R. 200 and TWP. Rd. 515A is the brainchild of Dr. Glynnis Hood, a biologist at the University of Alberta's Augustana Campus.

Beaver County has teamed up with Hood and her team of research students/installers to see the effects of levelling ponds out so that the beaver can still have its dam without creating problems for infrastructure and farmers.

Beavers can flood crop land, roads and otherwise damage infrastructure. In the case of this particular pond, the dam had plugged the culvert causing a rise in water levels.

Hood and her team first had to get into the pond and manually unblock the culvert, allowing the water level to drop to the bottom of the culvert. Once the culvert was clear of debris and the water levels lowered, the work of installing the levelling device began.

This is a simple device, using a pipe with one end kept under the water and protected against beaver attack by a wire mesh cage.

The other end goes into the culvert, allowing water to flow from the pond to the other side of the road, keeping the pond at a certain level. Grates were put in at both ends of the culvert, with a hole cut for the pipe to pass through into the culvert.

The pipe will remain draining water to keep levels down. As most of the piping is under water it doesn't bother the beaver. One end of the pipe that is visible is held down and protected by the wire cage so the beavers can't get at it.

Hood calls herself a "wetland plumber," who just wants to create and maintain biodiversity in the ponds, which are vital to the

ecosystem and water retention.

"This way you keep the wetland but you kind of control it," she said. Once a device has been installed, "the ponds are definitely lower but it helps with the landscape.

"So that was kind of my inspiration," she said, to preserve the biodiversity while preventing damage to infrastructure. Up to now, the only thing the county could do if a beaver dam was causing problems was to blow it up, and try to prevent the beaver from coming back.

"All this [type of] beaver management was doing was losing wetlands," she said, adding that "you lose all kinds of wildlife."

Beaver County has contributed \$63,000 towards the program, said the county's Division 1 Councillor Kevin Smook. "The project will last to the end of April 2015 under the current scope. This is all part of a study to see how residents perceive the issue."

The county is prioritizing areas where there is water backup due to beaver populations, and much of it is happening in the wetlands in the county's west end. Smook said this is also where the highest levels of population are in the county, which intersects with – and comes in conflict with – the needs of the beaver.

The pond levellers work with the problem, allowing water to move and maintain the wetlands, he said. "In the urban areas, the options are limited. This is a wonderful option.

"The pond levellers will remain in place, and require minimum maintenance."

Research supervisor on Hood's team, Nick Yarmey, agreed that the "levellers will improve the health of the wetlands," by striking an equilibrium between wet and dry years.





## START COLLEGE, FINISH UNIVERSITY

Apply the first two years at college towards a university degree!

Augustana Campus has been working on partnership agreements with community colleges across Alberta. These agreements are called “2+2 Programs” and permit students to complete the first two years of a four-year university degree program in their local college and then to complete their final two years at the university faculty.

Students who enter into such a program at their local college are guaranteed entry into the third year of their chosen program, provided they follow the course selection laid out in the agreement, and achieve a minimum grade point average. They are guaranteed a place to complete their degree without having to compete for limited available spaces.

In contrast, students not covered by a 2+2 agreement may find that some of their college courses will not transfer into their university degree program or their transfer average is too low for admission: averages for transfer-in students can vary widely from year to year, depending on the popularity of the major or degree program they wish to enter.

“In developing 2+2 Programs with local community colleges, Augustana is supporting the Government of Alberta’s Campus Alberta concept,” says Dr. Harry Prest, Associate Dean of Academic Programs. “We are facilitating a seamless transfer for post-secondary students throughout the province, especially rural students or those living near regional centres with their own community colleges.”

To date, Augustana has completed agreements with Grande Prairie Regional College and Red Deer College, and have begun discussions with several other colleges. At GPRC, students can complete a Bachelor of Science degree with majors in Biology and Psychology, a Bachelor of Arts with majors in Psychology and Drama, as well as a Bachelor of Music. RDC students can finish a Bachelor of Music and will soon be able to enrol in Science and Arts Bachelor degree programs with a Physical Education major in either Kinesiology and Sports Studies or Outdoor Education.

“With both institutions, we are working to add majors in other degree programs,” says Dr. Prest, “though each such agreement takes considerable time and effort on the part of both institutions.”

## OPENING CONVOCATIONS RETURN

On Friday, August 29, Augustana resurrected the old tradition of an Opening Convocation to launch the new school year. New students began their time on campus with a formal event that mirrors the formal Convocation that marks the successful completion of their degree.

The morning began with the new tradition of welcoming new students in a bell ringing ceremony at the Centennial Sculpture in Quad. The Assistant Dean of External Relations officially presented the entering class, and our Dean rang the bell to honour and mark the students’ new membership in our community. Upon completion of their studies, they will get to ring the bell themselves to initiate a new rite of passage.

The Opening Convocation followed, to formally invest new faculty and to celebrate Augustana’s mission and core values. The event was a gathering of the campus community, attended by many returning students and staff members, and included the faculty marching in regalia. Afterwards, new students attended departmental and program meetings to meet faculty and senior students.

The morning wrapped up with a community barbecue on the Quad, featuring Quarantino - a band formed of Augustana professors from three different departments!



## CELEBRATING MILESTONES AT AUGUSTANA!



*Dr. Bill Hackborn*



*Tim Hanson*



*Dr. Doris Audet*

### 30 Years

*Dr. Bill Hackborn  
Math and Physics Professor*

*Marian Forre,  
Biology Technician*

### 25 Years

*Dyane Gagnon,  
Administrative Assistant,  
External Relations*

*Tim Hanson  
Assistant Dean,  
External Relations*

### 20 Years

*Dr. Doris Audet,  
Biology Associate Professor*

*Dr. Glen Hvenegaard  
Environmental Studies Professor*

*Paul Neff,  
Reference Librarian*

*Thomas Schoen,  
Music Conservatory Instructor*

*Dr. Ingrid Urberg,  
Associate Professor,  
Scandinavian Studies*

## FOND FAREWELLS



*In the past year, Augustana Campus has said farewell to a number of longtime staff and faculty members. Included among these were (L to R, above) Michael Mucz, Dana Andreassen, Margaret Hoynick, Janice Osness, and John Johansen; also (L to R, below) Jack Waschenfelder, Roger Milbrandt, Dittmar Mündel, Rafaela (Lita) Molina, David "Doc" Larson, Judith Spencer, and Ric Johnson.*



## DR. ROGER MILBRANDT CONVOCATION ADDRESS

On Sunday, June 1, we celebrated our Convocation for 158 graduates of the University of Alberta's Augustana Campus.

The day started with a Worship Service, continued through a lunch honouring Augustana's Medal Winners, then moved into the Gymnasium for the Convocation itself. Our newly-minted graduates paused for a Class Photo and planted their 2014 Grad Class Tree, then visited with friends and family during the Alumni Tea before posing for photos around campus.

We were delighted to welcome a very special Convocation Speaker this year. Dr. Roger Milbrandt has taught English at Augustana for nearly 40 years. In recognition of his years of service – and to the delight of many of our graduates, staff, and alumni – Roger was invited to deliver the Convocation Address.

*When I was an eager-hearted high school student, I fantasized about being the first person in my family and the first person from Whitemouth, Manitoba to obtain a university degree. My mother, who always nurtured my fantasy, told me one day about a radio interview with a man who said that his education began after he had obtained his university degree. To my mother, with her grade-eight education, and to me, this was shocking and almost unbelievable. We thought that once you obtain a university degree you know almost everything there is to know.*

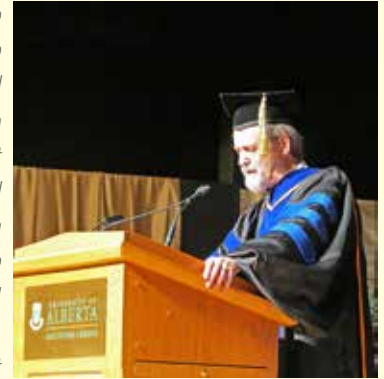
*I expect none of you hold the delusion that my mother and I used to hold. But I am by necessity committed to an even more stupendous delusion: that in the next 15 minutes I will somehow bring your education to a conclusion.*

*Someone once said, "Be realistic: attempt the impossible." You will learn later who said this. In the meantime, I will be realistic.*

*This is my last lecture as an Augustana faculty member and for you, who have suffered about 1500 such events over the past four years, the last you will be called upon to receive.*



*It would make little sense for me to try to summarize what you have learned in four years of study and it would be pointless for me to convey to you all of the brilliant and unforgettable things I and my colleagues forgot to mention in the many classes you have attended. But what if I were to tell you, not what we already told you, not what we forgot to tell you, but what we dared not tell you? For that, in my case, is a large category...*



*...We know that no matter how the world changes, no matter how dramatically future technological developments alter the conditions of our lives, the ability to draw reasonable conclusions on the basis of a judicious collection and examination of evidence and to then communicate those conclusions will never be obsolete. We know also that no matter how far you travel you will not find a spot on the globe where these abilities are irrelevant...*

These are merely excerpts from Dr. Milbrandt's speech, which ranged from Aristotle to Che Guevara. You can watch his full address at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zw4JRWXcfl](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zw4JRWXcfl)



### LAST LECTURE 2015

**Are you interested in more words of wisdom from Augustana professors?**

On April 8, a professor nominated by Augustana students will deliver an engaging public lecture answering one question: "If this were your last time to address a group of students, what would you say to them?"

Watch your eCircle newsletter for details!

We hope you'll always remember where you came from and take advantage of opportunities to stay connected with your fellow Augustana/AUC/CLC alumni. Not only can you benefit personally and professionally, but together we can make a difference in our communities and around the world!

### STAY CONNECTED!

It's important to keep us up to date with your most recent contact information! [aug.ualberta.ca/mycontactinfo/](http://aug.ualberta.ca/mycontactinfo/)

### STAY INFORMED!

Subscribe to the eCircle monthly electronic newsletter: we'll send you information on Augustana Campus and Augustana Alumni events, news and developments.

Check out the Augustana Alumni group or U of A Augustana fan page on Facebook! Follow us on Twitter: @UofA\_Augustana



Joyce (Link) Waite '53

### SHARE YOUR TALENTS!

Alumni can mentor an undergrad student, chat with prospective students or volunteer for Augustana Campus events and programs. You can choose how to be involved based on where you live, your interests and your availability! [aug.ualberta.ca/volunteer/](http://aug.ualberta.ca/volunteer/)

### SHARE YOUR NEWS!

Send us your latest news: additions to your family, where you are living, working, traveling or studying, and any accomplishments or awards you've received. We will share your news in Circle Magazine's Class Notes. [aug.ualberta.ca/mynews/](http://aug.ualberta.ca/mynews/)



Class of '59 Reunion

### Augustana's Easter Eggs-travaganza

Over 125 children – of alumni, staff, and community members – joined us on April 19 for our 3rd annual Easter Eggs-travaganza! There were colouring stations, Easter crafts, cookie creation, face painting and hot chocolate available to the crowd of over 300 people who flooded Augustana Campus that morning. The morning ended with an Easter chocolate hunt through Augustana's Quad.

Watch for the next Easter Eggs-travaganza on Saturday, April 4, 2015!



### Vikings Athletics Alumni Events

More than forty Hockey Vikings Alumni faced off in an exhibition game on November 22, during the Hockey Alumni Weekend. Families travelled from across Canada to cheer on the current team against the Keyano College and enjoy a Pub Night at Boston Pizza, featuring both silent and live auctions.

On January 17, 2015, Men's Basketball Alumni will gather to cheer on the Vikings - and maybe take to the court themselves - before celebrating a Pub Night of their own. Contact [drabiuk@ualberta.ca](mailto:drabiuk@ualberta.ca) for details!



# ALUMNI, STUDENTS AND AUGUSTANA BENEFIT TOGETHER!

## Alumni Brunch

There were many reasons this Brunch was sold out.

On Sunday, October 5, the morning began with our Alumni Worship Service including a performance by the Alumni Choir. Afterwards, Augustana alumni, their families and our friends from around the world gathered at the brand new Performing Arts Centre for brunch and a welcome from Dean Allen Berger – once he was finished cooking pancakes for everyone!



At the Brunch, Dean Berger also announced our 2014 Lois Aspenes Award recipient, former high school teacher Marion Bennett (BA '90). "Upon retirement, Marion registered at Augustana and graduated with a four-year Bachelor of Arts degree with great distinction, having majored in Religious Studies, in 1990. Even after receiving her degree she continued to take classes."

Our next Alumni Brunch will fall on the University of Alberta Alumni Weekend, September 24-27. Watch your eCircle newsletter or contact [deb.olafson@ualberta.ca](mailto:deb.olafson@ualberta.ca) for details.



## Big Valley Jamboree Parade

On the morning of July 31, more than fifty alumni, future alumni, students, faculty and staff assembled to celebrate Augustana Campus as part of the Camrose community during the BVJ Parade.



The next Parade will run July 30, 2015: we hope you'll join us! Watch your eCircle for details.

## Alumni Lunch & Learns

Our Lunch & Learn sessions continue to grow in popularity! In the past year, we have heard Glen Hvenegaard and Jack

Waschenfelder talk about climate change, Stacy Lorenz discuss the myths surrounding the modern Olympics, and Lydia Kukkola muse on adoption portrayed in children's literature.

On January 29, 2015, Dr. Lars Hallström will talk about the core issues around water as a critical resource. We are also inviting Glynnis Hood and David "Doc" Larson to deliver their own Lunch & Learn sessions. Don't miss these noon hour sessions available for \$5 - with lunch included!

Watch your eCircle monthly electronic newsletter for further information, or contact [deb.olafson@ualberta.ca](mailto:deb.olafson@ualberta.ca) for details.



There are many reasons to stay in touch! Throughout the year, the Augustana Campus Alumni Office plans a variety of alumni mixers, professional development opportunities and special events. We also share information about Augustana news and events, student presentations, fine arts performances, as well as opportunities for our alumni to volunteer their time and talents in giving back to the communities that have given us so much.

By the way, if you know someone who could benefit from the experience you enjoyed at Augustana, connect with the Prospective Student's Office for information to pass along. Visit [aug.ualberta.ca/why](http://aug.ualberta.ca/why) for convincing reasons they should attend!



As an Augustana alum, you have valuable experience to share with a current Augustana student! You could simply meet up for coffee, invite a student into your workspace, or speak on campus to a group of students interested in your field. Send us an email at [alumni@augustana.ca](mailto:alumni@augustana.ca) or call 780-679-1626.

## RECOGNITION FOR ALAN FIELDING ('63)



For nearly 50 years, Alan Fielding ('63) has given his time to support local and international organizations such as the Battle River Credit Union, the Battle River Community Foundation, Camrose Kidney Foundation and the Red Cross, the Camrose Daybreak Rotary Club and the Sahakarini Association, a charity that raises funds and oversees projects in developing countries.

This year, Alan was recognized for his time and efforts with a Governor General's Caring Canadian award in a ceremony hosted at Government House by the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, Col. (Ret'd) the Hon. Donald S. Ethell, on behalf of His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston.

"This award is a wonderful way to celebrate the essential work performed every day across our province and nation by dedicated people who make our home a better place to be," said Col. Ethell. "These citizens are great role models for us all of what it means to be a Caring Canadian."

Created in 1995, the Governor General's Caring Canadian Award recognizes those who have made a significant, sustained, unpaid contribution to their community, in Canada or abroad. For more information visit [www.gg.ca/caring](http://www.gg.ca/caring)

"It is really an awful lot of people in the community that have made this possible because I am only a small part of course of all these volunteer organizations," says Alan. "I am happy to be recognized and I am happy to be able to publicize in a small way the importance of community organizations, volunteer organizations, because I really feel they are an important part of the glue that makes our society function. I am aware of many parts of the world where the voluntary sector is either weak or nonexistent and those are communities you don't want to be living in because it is every person for himself."

Congratulations, Alan. Thank you for helping to make our community better by your efforts.

## RYAN MASON ('09) & URBAN AGRICULTURE

Piece by tiny piece two University of Alberta students are looking to reclaim urban land for food and create a small farm of their own.

Cathryn Sprague and Ryan Mason (BA Global and Development Studies '09), two Masters students studying environmental sociology, are behind the Reclaim Urban Farm, which aims to take small pieces of underused land and repurpose it for growing food.

So far the pair have signed up eight plots that will grow fresh greens and other vegetables this year and in return the landowner will receive a weekly box of whatever is in season, while the rest of the produce will be sold at farmers markets and to local restaurants.

"It works really well for seniors and young families who don't have time to garden," said Sprague.

Mason said he sees the project as part business, but also part community project.

"I have been describing it as a social enterprise. It's a business with social and environmental goals, built into the philosophy and the constitution of the business," he said.

The St. John's institute is loaning some of their space for the project. The institute's executive director Suzanna Bryan said she can't wait to have the garden planted.

"I love the impact it will make on this community to have something that is found nowhere else in this community," she said.

Read the full story by Ryan Tumilty in Metro Edmonton at [metronews.ca/news/edmonton/912510/edmonton-urban-farm-expanding-a-patch-at-a-time](http://metronews.ca/news/edmonton/912510/edmonton-urban-farm-expanding-a-patch-at-a-time)



## COMMEMORATING ROY WILSON (1937-2012)

It was with great sadness that the Augustana community received the news that Dr. LeRoy "Roy" Wilson passed away on October 16, 2012.

Dr. Wilson taught at Camrose Lutheran College from 1966 to 1972, where he lived in residence and was Dean of Men. Later his son, 2012 Distinguished Alumnus Craig Wilson ('89), would attend. Roy and his wife, Colleen (Hough) Wilson, served on the CLC Board of Regents.

Roy had a lifelong commitment to education and the arts. He earned his B.Ed ('65), M.Ed. ('70), and Ph.D. ('75) from the University of Alberta and later served as a Senator from 2006 to 2012. He taught in Saskatoon, Edmonton, Camrose, Blairmore and Medicine Hat, where he merged his love for history and art through participation in several societies and contributions to the Esplanade Arts & Heritage Centre.

Roy was recognized for over thirty years of service as a trustee with the Medicine Hat School District with several awards, including the Alberta Centennial Medal and the Alberta School Boards Association President's Award. Roy was also posthumously awarded the Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2012.

In recognition of his years of service, Medicine Hat named their first new public school in more than three decades "The Dr. Roy Wilson Learning Centre". His family has established the Dr. Roy Wilson Memorial Award at Augustana, with preference given to a student from Medicine Hat.

Dr. Wilson will be fondly remembered by the Augustana and Camrose community for his commitment to lifelong learning.

Roy chose an Emerson quote for his service bulletin, to be read after his death:



*"The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honourable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well."*



## KIERAN MARTIN MURPHY ('90) PERFORMS

Alumnus and musician Kieran Martin Murphy ('90) was a special guest invited to perform at the Opening Weekend of the Jeanne & Peter Lougheed Performing Arts Centre on Sunday, October 5.

His show-stopping routine was a highlight of the event, and he shared some of the lyrics he revised to the tune of "Get Back" by the Beatles:



*"Little Marty Murphy made his way to Camrose to attend CLUC.*

*Twenty odd years later, now it's Augustana - but it still feels like home to me!*

*Get Back! Get Back!*

*Get back to where you once belonged..."*

Find him at [kieranmartinmurphy.com](http://kieranmartinmurphy.com)



As an Augustana alum, you have valuable experience to share with a current Augustana student! You could simply meet up for coffee, invite a student into your workplace, or speak on campus to a group of students interested in your field. Send us an email at [alumni@augustana.ca](mailto:alumni@augustana.ca) or call 780-679-1626.

## SPIRIT OF THE LAND

By Jessica Ryan, Camrose Canadian

Community and environment minded people from all walks of life came together to share ideas and learn from each other at the "Respecting the Land: Transitioning to a New Economy" conference at Augustana on November 6-7.

"The basic premise is a confidence in our collective capacity," said Augustana alum Rajan Rathnavalu ('13). "That we will create together what it is we wish to see in the world and how we wish to live."

This year's conference explored alternative ways of thinking about and using money.

"Do we have to make people and the land sick to have a healthy economy?" asked former professor Dittmar Mundel, paraphrasing author Erich Fromm. "Our short-term economy of wealth is a suicide economy because it does not respect the gifts and limits that nature imposes on us... therefore it is urgent that we transition to a post-growth economy. On a finite planet, we cannot grow endlessly."

James Magnus-Johnston, Canadian director of the Centre for the Advancement of the Steady State Economy, spoke on "Community-Led Transitions to a Post-Growth Economy," while complementary currency expert Mike Unrau suggested new ideas about money. Multiple speakers led breakout sessions delving into practical details of alternative energy, sustainable land and food systems, the local economy, and creating healthy, livable communities.

Watch for more details and speaker recordings at [spiritoftheland.ca](http://spiritoftheland.ca).

## HUMAN LIBRARY

Augustana celebrated our 12th human library event in October with a host of new and returning speakers. A human library is an initiative where people (called "Readers") who want to learn about a specific topic "check out" different people - the "Human Books" - for an hour of conversation.

Some examples of Human Books that were available in October include:

- Guy hard: a transgendered person
- Healing from childhood sexual abuse
- I see: the joys and challenges of visual impairment
- I was a hungry billionaire: escaping Serbian war and hyperinflation
- World of Warcraft internet addiction
- Losing a brother to AIDS
- Scary on the outside: an autistic teen
- Welcome to your gay life: a married father of two boys comes out in a small Alberta town
- Carefree teen to diaper queen: rebellious teen has a baby at 16
- From Haiti with love: the joys and struggles of international adoption
- Rebound: breaking the chains of addiction
- Dancing on the sun: born intersex
- Parenting a premature baby

Some of these stories - and many new ones - can be found at the February 2015 human library sessions.

## "DASTARDLY DEAN"



On the morning of Friday, August 1, the ATB Financial Sheriff burst into Augustana Dean Allen Berger's office.

"You're under arrest!" bellowed Sheriff Adam, citing villainous educational practices and claiming to be the "Best Berger in

Town" as part of the charges. Wearing his chaps, black hat, and incriminating t-shirt, the cowed Dean was led away in cuffs to the waiting paddy wagon - one of the original Camrose fire trucks.

The authorities gathered a host of criminals from around Camrose, including publisher of the Camrose Booster "Bad Boy" Blain Fowler and Boston Pizza's Kevin Gurr. The bailiff read off the charges and the Judge considered what funds the villain had already raised. Each one was sentenced to jail until they could raise the funds required for their release - all proceeds going to the Battle River Community Foundation. The Dean raised \$2050 to free himself.

Accompanied by a donation-driven barbecue and fiddle quartet, the ATB Financial parking lot party was festive as more than 50 audiences members jeered and applauded the prisoners. The event raised around \$21,000 for the Foundation.

See more photos and videos of the Dean Berger's nefarious escapades at [news.augustana.ualberta.ca/?p=14294](http://news.augustana.ualberta.ca/?p=14294)



## FACULTY AND STAFF

**Dr. Glynnis Hood**, Associate Professor of Environmental Studies, received the 2013 Teaching Faculty Award for the Support of Information Literacy.

**Amy Guerber**, a Ph.D. candidate soon to receive her degree from the Sam M. Walton College of Business at the University of Arkansas, joined us as a Management instructor in the fall.

**Dr. Brandon Alakas** (Ph.D. Queen's) joined us as an English instructor in the fall.

**Mary-Anne Falk** (Executive Assistant to the Dean), husband Steven and daughter Jessica received a nice Christmas present in 2013 when they adopted two sons, Grayson and Kingston.



**Dr. Anne McIntosh** (Ph.D. UAlberta) joined our Biology faculty in the fall. The forest biologist and ecologist studied at UBC and Oregon State University and has taught summer research courses at Evergreen State College, a sister COPLAC School.

**Dr. Srilata Ravi** joined Augustana this fall as a Professor of French, is transferring from UAlberta's Campus Saint Jean.

**Indira Samarasekera** will not be seeking a third term as president of the University of Alberta. Her term will end June 30, 2015.



Music professor **Dr. Milton Schlosser** was invited to spend five days at the Sichuan Conservatory in Chengdu, China, performing a recital, teaching two piano master classes,

lecturing on his research and hosting an information session on the University of Alberta.

*(Camrose Canadian April 3, 2014)*

**Susan Toth** has joined the Augustana Bookstore as full-time Assistant.

**Bree Urkow** from our Development Office passed her Certified Fund Raising Executive designation in June. She has worked hard to earn this internationally recognized certification. Congratulations, Bree!

Augustana Athletics Director, **Greg Ryan**, was inducted into the Volleyball Alberta Hall of Fame at a ceremony in Edmonton on June 28. His wife Alyson Ryan, a former U of A Panda and national team player, was also inducted as a member of the FOG Women's Masters Team. *(Camrose Canadian July 3, 2014)*

**Dr. Karsten Mundel**, Director of Learning Advising & Beyond and Assistant Professor, will be replacing **Dr. Harry Prest** in 2015-16 as Associate Dean after Dr Prest retires.

Augustana welcomes to the Facilities & Operations Team: **Laurie Storvic**, Residence Custodian, **Jose De La Paz Flores**, Evening Porter, **Kim Plantz**, Maintenance Worker, and **Mike Omoth**, Maintenance Worker.

The Alberta Choral Federation presented **Carolyn Olson** with the Con Sprirto Award, an award that recognizes the spirit and dedication of individuals as related to their commitment to choral music in their local community. Carolyn is a staff accompanist at Augustana, works as a choral director at Camrose Lutheran Bible Institute, is the organist at Grace Lutheran Church, and sings in the female vocal ensemble Blue Thistle as well as our own Sangkor.



## HONORABLE MENTIONS

**Alan Heyhurst**, Augustana's Assistant Dean of Finance & Administration, and Assistant Professor **Dr. Karsten Mundel** ('95), Director of Learning Advising & Beyond and our new Associate Dean, join **David Francoeur** ('88), **Agnes Hoveland** ('64), and **Mike Faught** ('75) on the Board of the Covenant Health St. Mary's Hospital Camrose. *(Camrose Booster May 27, 2014)*



Former Political Studies professor and Augustana Dean **Dr. Roger Epp** has accepted the position of the University of Alberta Vice-Provost (Academic) effective May 1. Dr. Epp's focus will work with the Provost on the implementation of portions of the Renaissance Committee report. Other duties are yet to be fully determined but may involve Centres and Institutes and our Northern Strategy.



## 1940



'43 **Blanche (Simmons) Wiese** celebrated her 90th birthday in 2014! Wishing you many more birthdays, Blanche.

*Photo: Blanche Wiese (l) and her sister, Shirley.*

## 1950

'57 **Evangeline "Vangie" Bergum** has published a book entitled *Downstream: Bestemor & Me*. She has had several readings in Calgary, Saskatoon, Regina, Nelson Public Library, Salmo Public Library and Camrose. We wish you success on your book!

## 1960

'60 **LeRoy Johnson** has been inducted into the Alberta Hockey Hall of Fame for 2014. He was recognized in the Builder Category for his work in Education, Sport, and Community Development. Other Awards that he has received are the Alberta Achievement Award ('75), CFRN Sports Award of Excellence ('96), Hockey Alberta Centennial Award ('07) and the University of Alberta Alumni Recognition Award ('08). Congratulations to LeRoy on joining the University of Alberta's Board of Governors. His term began October 22, 2014.



'66 **Dr. Beth (Fowler) Balshaw** was recognized on the CCHS Wall of Fame for her work as a therapist and registered psychologist in Calgary. Congratulations!

*(Camrose Booster November 12, 2013)*



'66 **Maureen (Leiren) Schreiber** received the

Camrose and Area Adult Learning Council (CALC) Award on May 28. She received this award for her work to improve the reading writing skills of families and individuals. Maureen has taught in the resource room at Bawlf School and the playschool program in Strome for 17 years. She has been employed with Camrose Family Literacy for the last 11 years. Congratulations on receiving your award for a job well done! *(Camrose Booster June 10, 2014)*

'67 **Peggy Rhine Shuman** will be retiring from her law practice. We wish you well in your retirement.

'68 **Max Lindstrad** was recognized on the CCHS Wall of Fame for his work as principal of CCHS for 21 years. He was influential in expecting a high standard from students and holding them accountable for their choices. Many students took high honours. Congratulations! *(Camrose Booster November 12, 2013)*



## 1970

'71 **Rick Ronning** has been a track coach in Saskatchewan since 1974. His athletes have competed in both high school and provincial competitions. In 2007, his St. Louis athletes

accumulated 32 medals. Athletes from his little club (St. Louis has a population of 450) hold 9 provincial records and this year were ranked first in 7 events and second in 2. "I was also very excited when athletes from my club brought home 18 medals - 13 Gold - from the North American Indigenous Games," says Rick. Although Rick retired this year from teaching, he plans to continue working as a track and field coach.

'74 **Margaret Huff** is living in Edmonton and feeling nostalgic. She would love to hear from old friends, especially those she sang with in the Concert Choir under James Neff.

'75 **Colleen (Johnson) Nelson** received the Distinguished Leadership Award by the Council for School Leadership in Calgary on May 15. Colleen will be retiring at the end of this year after 33 years of teaching. "Colleen is a really inspirational leader," said principal Todd Sikorski. "She just came with such enthusiasm and energy, such a wide smile and such a positive attitude. It's just been a pleasure working alongside her." Augustana wishes you well in your retirement and congratulations on a well-deserved award. *(Camrose Canadian May 29, 2014)*

'76 **Brian Nelson** received a life membership from the Camrose Association for Community Living. The award is presented to individuals who "improve the lives of people with disabilities, acquired brain injuries and families at risk, have been outstanding ambassadors to the community, and have supported the organization financially." *(Camrose Booster July 1, 2014)*

'77 **Dr. Richard Buckley** is in his last few years before retiring as Professor and Head of Orthopedic Trauma at the University of Calgary. Richard is the author of many papers and editor of two surgery text books. His daughter and

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son are both attending the University of Calgary, where his son is quarterback for the football team. His wife, Lois, is a family doctor with the University of Calgary students services. Richard is still active, playing senior men's touch football and

pickup basketball. He hopes to play someday in the alumni basketball game if it is still happening!

'77 **Richard Aistrope** was appointed Vice Principal of Northgate High School in Walnut Creek, California in August 2014. Congratulations!

'79 **Rita (Sheppard) Marler** has accepted the position of deputy superintendent with Battle River School Division. Rita has taught in the BRSD district for 25 years as a teacher and school administrator. All the best in your new position.

## 1980



'81 **Cathie Bolstad** became Executive Director of NWT Tourism. Cathie's experience at De Beers Canada as director of external and corporate affairs will be helpful in creating a NWT tourism brand. We wish you well in this pursuit, Cathie!

'84 **John Person** and the Burgar Funeral Home were awarded the 2013 Small Business of Year Award by the Camrose Chamber of Commerce. Congratulations!

'85 **Dr. Paul Bunge** was in Liberia for three weeks with Medical Teams International doing training with clinics around Monrovia. Paul attended CLC and graduated from Grade 12, then Washington University in St. Louis for his B.Sc. and the University of Missouri Medical School. He is now practicing internal medicine at Ft. Lewis, Tacoma, and is director of a small hospital on the Washington Peninsula not far from his home in Olympia, WA.



'88 **Nancy Goebel** likes building libraries. First a glass and steel library at Augustana, then a brick library in rural Kenya, and now a little cedar one in her front yard. The *Little Free Library* is available for everyone to take a book and/or leave a book.

## 1990

'90 **Marian Williams** was inducted into the Wall of Fame at the Agricultural Awards Banquet at the New Norway Silver Creek Multiplex on April 2. She graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor of Science Home Economics degree. Marion worked as a district home economist for Alberta Agriculture, was the first resource for rural families on food safety, consumer education, nutrition and in providing learning opportunities

to provide knowledge and tools to family farms. A most deserving accomplishment Marian! (Camrose Booster March 25, 2014)

'92 **Pam Chamberlain**

has released her second book, *In the Company of Animals: Stories of Extraordinary Encounters* (Nimbus Publishing). The book explores diverse relationships between humans and animals in a collection of stories that are both entertaining and thought-provoking. Pam teaches composition for Athabasca University and lives in Calgary, where she volunteers for her local community garden and Calgary Reads.



'94 **Lynette Wray** and her husband continue to enjoy living in Cranbrook, BC with their two children. They are all excited about their daughter starting French Immersion Kindergarten in September, and their son is happy to have another year at Montessori preschool. Lynette has worked for the Canadian Cancer Society, BC and Yukon Division, for the past nine years in various roles; in the last few months, she has been fortunate to take on a new role as the BC and Yukon Team Lead for the Financial Support Program. Lynette always enjoys re-connecting; feel free to look her up on Facebook and LinkedIn.

'94 **Kari Schenk** and her husband Aaron Allinson would like to announce the birth of their baby, Jonathan Oscar Allinson, on May 2 in Seoul, Korea. Many best wishes for your family.

'98 **Kirsten (Sanders) Miller** married Jason Miller in 2002. "We have two children: our daughter Cameron is 8 and our son Kaleb is 6," she writes. "We moved back to Alberta three years ago after living and working in Ontario and Manitoba for seven years. I just finished my after degree in nursing at the U of A and I'm now working full time as a registered nurse at the cardiovascular intensive care unit at the Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute."



'99 **Dr. Duncan Wambugu** received his PhD in Music Education from the University of Florida. Duncan's dissertation focused on the role of Kenyan Art Music in the music education system in Kenya. He is currently a full-time lecturer at Kenyatta University, Department of Music and Dance, where he teaches undergraduate courses in Music Performance, Vocal and Keyboard Skills, and Conducting; Graduate (Masters) courses in Music Education and Music Performance. All the Best Duncan!

2000

'00 **Gordon Hatch** will be taking over **Peggy Rhine Shuman's ('67)** law office. He has worked as a criminal lawyer for over nine years as both a federal and provincial crown prosecutor. He will also be seeking the Wildrose nomination for the Wetaskiwin-Camrose constituency.



'00 **Brendan Lord** was awarded the National Choral Award for Best Dissertation, presented by Choral Canada at its biennial Podium 2014 conference in Halifax on May 19. Brendan has been the executive director of the Alberta Choral Federation since 2006. Congratulations on your accomplishments!



'00 **Naomi McIlwraith** had a launch for her book *Telling Truths: Storying Motherhood* edited by Sheena Wilson and Diana Davidson. This is a collection of essays and Naomi wrote an essay to honour her parents.

'01 **Vicky (Spent) Horn**, chief shepherdess, is running a successful business on a farm by Thorsby where they rotate their sheep to distribute the manure evenly as they graze. Their meat is purchased by some of Edmonton's best restaurants.

'03 **David King** and Candace have welcomed a daughter Abigail Marie. Abigail was born on August 9 at 1:50AM: 3 weeks early. Augustana couldn't be happier for you all!

'04 **Tyson Lazaruk** and Janelle (Grimm) Lazaruk were married on December 31, 2013. Congratulations to you both! In March, Tyson moved from Augustana's Prospective Students Office to Recruitment Coordinator/Academic Advisor with Physical Education and Recreation at the U of A's North Campus.

'04 **Matthew Gusul** has been working for the last two years on establishing an International Theatre Company in the Tamaraikulam Elders' Village in Tamil Nadu, India. He has been working

as a consultant for the company as part of his PhD work at the University of Victoria. For info or to make a donation email [gus@uvic.ca](mailto:gus@uvic.ca). (Camrose Booster October 21 2014)



'05 **Steven Hansen** will be articling with Farnham West Stolee in Camrose. He will be working in the areas of real estate, wills and estates, civil litigation, as well as corporate, family and criminal law.

'05 **Elizabeth Krieger Thul** and husband Josh have a new daughter, born on October 9, 2013. Best wishes!

'05 **Lacey (Cadieux) Schnitzler** published her debut book on June 26 through Evernight Teen Publishing. *ONE LIFE* is set in Calgary, Canmore and New York City. Since childhood, she has been mesmerized by stories of



fairy tales, knights, Greek and Roman mythology and comic book heroes. Naturally, Lacey wanted to create her own worlds/characters and set off on a long quest to write fantasy novels. She earned a Management degree from the University of Alberta Augustana in 2005, specializing in Business Economics. During her time there she was a Resident Advisor on 1st West (2002-2003). She is a Project Manager by day for United Farmers of Alberta (in IT) and by night works on her stories. Wishing you the best of luck on your book! Visit [www.lacadieux.com](http://www.lacadieux.com)

'05 **Amber (Schmidt) Basarab** has joined

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Augustana's Learning, Advising & Beyond Office as the Community Service-Learning Coordinator. Her husband, **Steve Basarab ('07)**, works as an RN in Wetaskiwin and Clinical Tutor for the BScN After Degree program in Camrose. Best of luck to both of you in your new roles!



**'06 Nathan Ruel & Eva (Wurtz) Ruel ('07)** welcomed their second baby girl into the world on June 21, 2013. Her name is Isabel Yvonne and she was born 4

days after big sister Lilah's 1st birthday. Also, Neil was accepted with the Edmonton Police: after 5 months of training, he received his badge on January 17 and is now a constable for the EPS.

**'07 Garrett Ryan** began his Ticket Sales Internship with the Edmonton Oilers and Oil Kings. This internship gives Garrett the opportunity to be one step closer into entering Inside Sales with the organization.

**'07 Martina (Tobler) and Jordan Brewer ('05)** welcomed Lukas Nathaniel Thor Brewer on December 11, 2013 at 5:16pm weighing 8 lbs 6 ounces. Congratulations!



**'08 Chelsea (Skinner) Forre** and husband Michael have a new daughter, Ava Elizabeth, born on July 23. Many best wishes for you and your family!

**'08 Jenie Thai Nolan** won the Edmonton Blues Memphis-Bound Competition (solo category).

Way to go Jenie!

## 2010

**'10 Jeffrey Behrens and Chantelle (Olson) Behrens ('11)** have a daughter, Elizabeth May, born on August 21 and weighing 7 lbs 6 oz. Congratulations!

**'10 Kara Davis** graduated with distinction from the U of A School Of Business with a Bachelor of Commerce degree. She is pursuing a Juris Doctor degree at the University of Calgary Faculty of Law.



**'10 Tyler Bellamy** worked hard to make the January 2014 Alumni Hockey Fundraiser a success. He put even more effort into the Alumni Hockey weekend in November 2014! Congratulations on such successful events, Tyler!

**'10 Meghann Tanner** is Associate Director, Office of the Annual Fund at The President's Society. The President's Society consists of annual donors who donate between \$1,000-\$50,000 back to the U of A. Augustana wishes you well in your new position at the University of Alberta!

**'10 Desirae Bowlby** has accepted a job as a Community Development Officer with the Government of Alberta. Best of luck with your new job!

**'10 Nathan Pederson** was named the top first year teacher in Battle River School Division. He earned the Edwin Parr Award on May 26, nominated by Principal Dan Cole. (*Camrose Booster June 3, 2014*)

**'10 Kirk Laird** was admitted to the bar in July and joined Andreassen Borth in Camrose as an associate lawyer. Augustana congratulates you on your position.

**'11 Tamsin (Shaw) McComb and James McComb ('04)** have a daughter: Endelyn Maurette was born on August 13, weighing 5 lbs 6 oz. Wishing you all the best with your precious new bundle!



**'11 Julia Esch** has now completed all of her requirements for a Master of Science Degree in Speech-Language Pathology. In the New Year she will be moving to Grande Prairie to work. Congratulations on your success in defending your Master's Thesis!

**'11 Lindsay Sims Aicken** and husband Jaime Aicken have another son, Kai Allan, born on January 23. A brother for oldest son Jens! Wishing you all the best with your growing family.



**'11 Kiera Lyons** has won the Canada West Conference champion with the University of Saskatchewan Huskies. Kiera played basketball with the Vikings and was named to the First Team All-Conference Squad as well as Team MVP. Way to go Kiera!

**'11 Anna Kuntz** received her Master's in Public History in June. She is living in Ottawa and working in her field. Augustana wishes you all the best and misses your visits into the Alumni Office!

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'12 **Stephen Olson** and brother Lief Olson did a tribute concert at the Bailey Theatre with the Bailey Buckaroos to honour their late uncle **Lyndon "Lyndy" Olson ('55)**. Stephen says his uncle was the reason he started to play guitar. Kudos to you both for carrying on Lyndy's legacy!

'12 **Torrie Dyck**, league MVP and Vikes captain in our 2012 hockey championship, helped the U of A Golden Bears to consecutive conference championships and a national championship in 2014. Augustana wishes you success and all the best in every future endeavour. *(Camrose Canadian April 3, 2014)*

'12 **Sara Griffith** will be starting a new adventure as a volunteer chaplain for the Calgary police. All the best Sara!

'12 **Samantha Christensen** and husband Carson Sherwick have a new baby daughter, Luna Shannon Sherwick, born on August 1 and weighing 8 lbs 1 oz. Congratulations to all of you!



'13 **Leah Johnson** will spend six months as an intern with Sahakarini and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Colombia. She will research violence and human rights including gaining the perspective of religious groups. Leah is fluent in Spanish and has previously travelled to

Colombia for her senior undergraduate research project. She has been working at the Learning and Beyond Office at Augustana. Leah raised money through the Augustana Fair Trade/ Local Made sale in January. We wish you all the best on your adventure in Colombia!

'13 **Justin Brattinga** has started a position at the Provincial Legislature as a Legislative Assistant. Congratulations on your new job!

'13 **Jonathan McCorquindale** is our new half-time Admissions Advisor. Jonathan graduated with a BA in History and Physical Education and is currently working on a Master of Arts degree in Museum Studies through distance education.

'13 **Stacey Rempel** has joined the Augustana Staff in the Learning Advising & Beyond office, replacing Meagan Sych. Welcome!

'14 **Karli Kuruz** is our new Admissions Advisor. Karli graduated from Augustana this spring with a BA in Psychology.

'14 **Kalissa Blied** is our new Recruiter. She graduated from Augustana with a BSc in Biology. She was heavily involved as an Ambassador during her time at Augustana.

'14 **Anna Meissner** has been accepted into a Master of Sustainable Environmental Management program at the University Saskatchewan. Good Luck with your studies.

'14 **Hsin-yi "Cindy" Liu** will begin her MSc degree in Physiology at York University this fall. She worked with Dr. Sheryl Gares as a summer research assistant last year and extended her research as a Directed Study. All the best in your pursuit of your Master's Degree Cindy!

'14 **Emily Ervin** won first place in a poster competition during the Western Canadian Undergraduate Chemistry Conference at the University of



Victoria May 1-3. In January, she spent a week in Thuwal, Saudi Arabia, where she was among 50 of the top undergraduate students from around the world. Augustana couldn't be more proud of your work, Emily! Way to go!

## SHARING OUR SONGS



Third-year B.Mus. (Voice) student Evelyn Schaffer of Bassano, Alberta, attended the Franz Schubert Institute in Baden bei Wien this summer on a full, five-week scholarship to study the German Lied.

This is the first year that the Institute has extended this opportunity to undergraduate students.

Funding was supplied by the Schubert Institute, the Wirth Institute for Austrian and Central European Studies at the University of Alberta and the University of Alberta's Provost's Office. For more info, visit [www.schubert-institut.at](http://www.schubert-institut.at).

The Augustana Choir was one of fifteen choirs selected to perform at Podium 2014, the biennial national conference for the Canadian choral community.

The conference was hosted by the Nova Scotia Choral Federation from May 14 to 19, with additional concerts in Halifax-area schools and churches. Our choir performed choral repertoire from Alberta composers and University of Alberta-trained composers.

The trip was made with the support of the University of Alberta President's Grant for the Creative and Performing Arts, Augustana Faculty, Battle River Community Foundation, Pro Coro Canada, the University of Alberta Mixed Chorus, and numerous individual donors.



## IN MEMORIAM

**Harold Simonson ('35)** of Wetaskiwin on February 2

**Esther (Lien) Pederson ('40)** of Camrose on February 14

**Berdeen (Lyseng) Link ('40)** of Kelowna, BC, on January 29, 2013

**Irene (Willman) Glatiotis ('41)** of Nanaimo, BC, on Sept. 9, 2013

**Jean (McConnell) Bell ('41)** of West Lorne, ON, on October 20, 2013

**Everett Raymond Wiley ('42)** of Red Deer on May 10, 2009

**Paul Constance Eriksson ('45)** of Edmonton on November 21, 2013

**Daniel Vinge ('45)** of Oak Park Heights, MN, USA, on July 25

**John "Allan" McDougall ('46)** of Calgary on June 17

**Thelma Orlene (Skaret) Hjorth ('46)** of Camrose on October 17

**Jens Oliver Servold ('47)** of Camrose on November 9, 2013

**Florence (Soderstrom) Stone ('48)** of New Zealand on May 14

**Enid (Martin) Moe ('51)** of Camrose on May 12

**Purvis James Paulgaard ('55)** of Provost on December 24, 2012

**Florence (Huseby) Giebelhaus ('55)** of Vegreville on January 19

**Frank Fuernkranz ('57)** of Toronto, ON, on October 30, 2012

**Mervin Harold Finstad ('59)** of Folsom, CA, USA, on January 19

**Carl Jensen ('59)** of Vancouver, BC, on September 4

**Louise (Herder) Gordey ('70)** of Edmonton on December 7, 2013

**John Johnston ('68)** of Sherwood Park on December 28, 2013

**Gladys "Margaret" (Mulloy) Rhine ('74)** of Camrose on January 22

**Wolf Stroebel ('81)** of Edmonton on January 10

**Fern Marie (Hicks) Delamere ('82)** on December 12, 2013

**Donna Mae Zimmer ('83)** of Daysland, AB, on December 8, 2013

**Robert Emerson Carter ('83)** of Valleyview, AB, on July 9

**Amy (Currie) Rodgers ('90)** of Wainwright, AB, on October 7, 2012

**Shawn Crickard ('07)** of Whitby, ON, on September 19

**Keyvan Chandonnet ('09)** of Campbell River, BC, on November 24, 2013

Other members of the Augustana community:

**Winnifred Voigts** of Saskatoon died on February 5. She was Registrar at CLC/AUC from 1980 to 1989, helping with the transition from a transfer college to Alberta's first private, degree-granting university college.

**Enid (Martin) Moe** of Camrose died on May 12. She worked in the Bookstore from 1980 to 1990. Enid will be remembered for her kindness and faithful spirit.

**Hank VanDruten** died on June 18. Hank was Maintenance Manager for 25 years until he retired in 2001: the Machine Shop in the Facilities & Operations Building is dedicated to his memory.

**Thelma (Skaret) Hjorth** died in Camrose on October 17. She was an administrator from 1963 to 1969.

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