

A close-up portrait of a young man with short brown hair and blue eyes, looking slightly to the right. He is wearing a black t-shirt. The background is plain white.

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## AUGUSTANA ALUMNI INITIATIVES

We invite you to take this opportunity to support our students: the Alumni Office awards \$1000 to an incoming student descended from alumni as well as a \$1000 Alumni Leadership award for a returning student every year.

Contact the Development or Alumni Offices to make your gift. We thank you for your ongoing participation and support!



*Hilda Lam, 2015 Alumni Entrance Award Recipient*

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Our electronic newsletter, the e-Circle, is a "greener" way for U of A Augustana to keep you connected to your campus and your fellow alumni. The e-Circle includes updates on events, stories, reunions and announcements.

The e-Circle will not replace the printed Circle magazine, but will instead serve as a monthly supplement about U of A Augustana.

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# MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

In my Circle message a year ago, I wrote about change. An appropriate byword this year is transition. Changes such as the death of a beloved colleague, the election of a new government, and the selection of new university leaders are significant shifts. Transitions arguably are how we manage change, letting go of some things, holding on to others, and above all crafting and embracing a fresh vision.

This past fall the passing of Mark Chytracek, our beloved Director of Student and Residence Life, rocked our community. We are still grieving, but Mark's death has also forced us to not take for granted what he provided and to envision a future simultaneously informed by his example and adapted for new circumstances. I look forward in coming months to opportunities to share with you the vision we are creating for student services. This vision will be focused, as Mark would have desired, on the themes of student growth and development and on the idea of an integrated educational program where campus leaders in Academic Affairs and in Student Life are working closely together.

Although University President David Turpin and Provost Steven Dew are still relatively new and still attempting to drink from the proverbial fire hose, I am pleased by the interest that both have shown in Augustana. As they lead the University community in the development of a new institutional strategic plan, my own priorities will be twofold: 1) to ensure that the plan helps us address important campus needs, advancing Augustana's role in preparing a next generation of leadership for both rural and Aboriginal communities (and beyond); and 2) to advocate for a plan that makes undergraduate education a priority as important as world-class research and international rankings.

Over the course of this 2015-16 academic year, Augustana has opened the Miquelon Lake Research Station and the



*Dean Berger (L) with Louise Omeasoo (BA English) and Katherine Swampy (BA Economics) during our graduands' annual Bell Ringing Ceremony.*

beautifully renewed Founders' Hall; soon we will open the Wahkohtowin Lodge in the lower level of the Forum. Each of these projects has been informed by a vision of transition. We move toward new ways of supporting undergraduate research, engaging students in planning their academic and post-university careers, and building a campus that is more inclusive of Aboriginal students and indigenous perspectives. Now that we have these long-dreamed-of and highly functional spaces, the real work begins, i.e. the work of making these visions a reality. Over coming months, I am certain we will generate many new stories to share with all of you.

I fully realize that we couldn't dream so boldly or embrace transition with such confidence were it not for the generous support of our alumni and friends. I thank you.

Warm regards,  
Dean Allen Berger

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT AUGUSTANA?

## MEET THE NEW PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

Dr. David Turpin is the 13th President and the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Alberta. The professor of biology was president of the University of Victoria for 13 years, he is a member of the Order of Canada, and a fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.



Dr. Turpin serves as the institution's chief executive officer, leading the university community to preserve, enhance, and secure the U of A's reputation as a major comprehensive and research-intensive institution.

"I am deeply honoured to have been asked to lead the University of Alberta, an institution I have long admired and that is fundamental to the social, cultural and economic development of the city, the province and the nation," Turpin said.

## PETER LOUGHEED LEADERSHIP COLLEGE

What makes a great leader? Can leadership be taught? How can the tools of leadership help us transform our communities, our workplaces and the world? At the University of Alberta's new Peter Lougheed Leadership College, students will stretch themselves and meet their potential to be leaders in all that they do.

"Across the entire university, 61 undergraduate students applied to be members of the pioneer class," says Dean Berger. "Twenty of them came from Augustana Campus. This is confirmation of the good work we are doing in promoting civic values and community engagement—our students' priorities and our priorities as educators are in sync."

In the Augustana version of the program, which includes a summer stretch experience between the students' third and fourth year of undergraduate study, our students will form interdisciplinary teams to work in rural and Aboriginal community settings on projects related to economic, social, cultural, and environmental sustainability—projects that they and community partners together identify as priorities.

## MIQUELON LAKE RESEARCH STATION

On August 20, the University of Alberta opened a brand new research station in Miquelon Lake Provincial Park. The station comprises a 1500ft<sup>2</sup> modular building with wet and dry laboratories, office space, a fully-equipped kitchen, and overnight accommodation for up to eight people. The research station won't just be for university students, either: younger students, working adults, and researchers of all ages from around the world will benefit from this unique local resource.



Located only 30 km north of Camrose at the southern end of the Cooking Lake Moraine (also known as the Beaver Hills), Miquelon Lake Provincial Park is a prime location for Augustana's new station. The area has a unique ecosystem that links the prairies and parkland to the south with the boreal forests to the north.

## THE NEWEST ADDITION TO CAMPUS

Tipis are portable dwellings used for shelter, ceremonies, and gatherings by First Nations groups primarily on the plains of North America. On September 9, thanks to generous support from anonymous donors, a tipi was raised outside the Faith & Life Centre.

The tipi will serve many uses on campus. Not only will it add a venue for courses and events, but it will also serve as a facility for ceremonies that can't take place indoors. It can serve also as the starting point for cultural awareness on campus, act as a teaching tool, and can be a meeting place for Aboriginal students and Elders. "It offers Aboriginal students a sense that this is also their campus, and that this campus is open to them," explains Chair of Augustana's Aboriginal Engagement Committee Jérôme Melançon.



The location at the top of the ravine was chosen for its visibility both on campus and beyond. It will be one of the first sights to greet visitors to campus.

“Augustana is remarkable,” says Nathan. “Even though it’s a small place, its graduates can go on to do big things.”

Profile by Pam Chamberlain

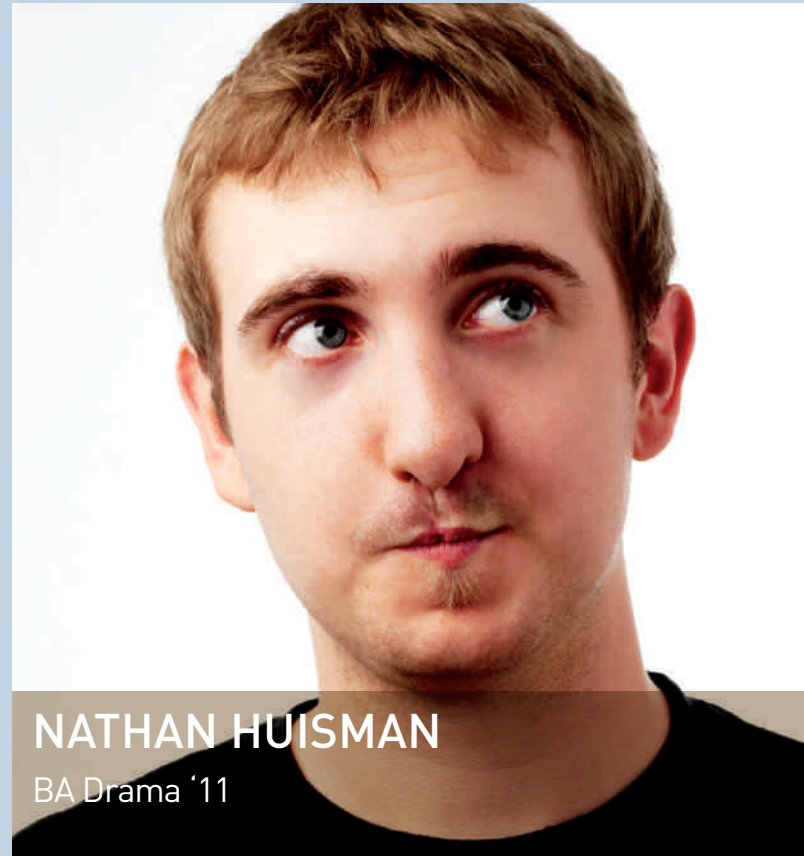
**N**athan Huisman planned to be an actor: with a drama degree from Augustana, he was well on his way! However, when he began working in theatre, he saw a need for people who could take care of the business side of the industry.

Nathan got his foot in the door with the help of Augustana’s drama professors. He took on projects in Camrose, Edmonton, and even London, where he worked as a production manager with director Rachel Isaac on the show *Point of Entry*. “It was a memorable year,” Nathan says. “Since rehearsal space is limited in London, we rehearsed in an abandoned insane asylum next to Hampstead Cemetery. We had lots of space and privacy, but it was a little creepy. *Point of Entry* was about the spirit world, so the place certainly got us in the mood!”

Now back in Canada, Nathan is a producer with Calgary’s Swallow-a-Bicycle Theatre, a group focussed on producing innovative and original theatrical performances in unconventional spaces. He also volunteers with various arts organizations and is on the board of directors for the Alberta Playwrights’ Network.

As a producer of plays, concerts, films, and festivals, Nathan acts as a liaison between the artistic side and the business side of a production. He has worked with high-profile artists such as Colin Firth, Serena Ryder, and Steve Earle. He strives to put together the right team of skilled people for each project and effectively delegate tasks so Swallow-a-Bicycle Theatre can put on performances that have an impact. “My goal is to offer audiences remarkable experiences,” he says.

Nathan credits Augustana’s drama professors with providing him with the foundation for his career. “Kristine Nutting, Kevin Sutley, and Sparky Johnson taught me everything I know,” he says. “Each of them is an inspiring artist in his or her own right, and together



**NATHAN HUISMAN**

BA Drama '11

they challenged me to grow and develop my skills and myself.” He participated in many Augustana theatre productions. “Thinking back,” he says, “I can’t help but smile. Those were some of the most fun experiences of my life.”

Nathan’s experience as a performer was complemented by his role as a residence assistant in Ronning Hall. “Being an RA gave me the confidence to be responsible for groups of people,” he says, “and that contributes to my success in my work today.”

Wherever his work takes him, Nathan carries fond memories of his university days on a close-knit campus. “Augustana is remarkable,” he says. “Even though it’s a small place, its graduates can go on to do big things.”



**Dr. DEENA HINSHAW**  
BSc Chemistry/Biology '97

When there's a threat to public health, Dr. Deena Hinshaw works hard to keep Albertans safe. She is the Lead Medical Officer of Health for the Central Zone of Alberta and the provincial Medical Officer of Health for Public Health Surveillance and Infrastructure.

Deena leads a team of healthcare professionals in implementing policies and programs that will prevent injury, illness and disease in Albertans. Much of her day-to-day work involves chairing meetings, coordinating responses to public health issues and planning.

The team prepares healthcare workers in Central Alberta for possible outbreaks of a variety of diseases, from measles to Ebola. Deena consults on the threat of rabies due to a bite from a dog or

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Profile by Pam Chamberlain

a bat to the health dangers created by the 2008 Gleniffer Lake oil spill.

Deena originally went into medicine expecting to be a family doctor who would work with patients one-on-one. However, her plans changed: "When I discovered there was a specialty focused on the prevention of illness and the promotion of health, I knew I had found my niche."

Deena credits Augustana's small classes and excellent professors for giving her a solid academic background and skills she could take into post-graduate studies and beyond. She says, "My undergraduate studies gave me the technical foundation I needed for medical school, as well as a cross-disciplinary experience that taught me to think about issues from many perspectives and use different approaches to problem-solving."

One Augustana experience that stood out was the month Deena spent in Mexico. She says, "Dittmar Mundel taught us that the choices we make in our lives have an impact, for better or worse, on people and communities near and far. I became much more aware of global inequality."

Disparity exists within Alberta, too. Deena points to the fact that people in some regions of Alberta have a life expectancy 11 years shorter than other Albertans. Her goal is to change that statistic. "I want to see less difference between the most healthy Albertan and the least healthy Albertan," she says. "I want to close that gap."

Richard Bruneau will be a role model, living proof that a kid from rural Alberta can travel the world and make a difference.

Profile by Pam Chamberlain

Richard Bruneau's desire to make a difference has taken him around the world and brought him home again.

Richard grew up in Camrose, so Augustana was the logical choice when it came time to pursue post-secondary studies. In his fourth year, Richard participated in the Rural Development Exchange Program in Mexico, and it changed the course of his life. He learned about the complexities of development work and issues of social justice, and these fostered his desire to improve people's lives.

Richard added a minor in rural and community development to his degree and, after graduation, he worked with Canada World Youth in Bolivia, Uruguay, Guatemala, and Western Canada. While working in Stettler and Mexico, he met his future wife, Kierstin Heiberg (BA English '03), an Augustana graduate who grew up on a farm near Camrose.

Richard soon realized that although his work might impact individual people and local communities, addressing poverty and oppression required action at a macro level—changes in global systems and government policies. So Richard undertook a master's degree in international affairs at Carleton University.

Afterwards, Richard joined the Canadian Foreign Service as a diplomat with the Afghanistan Task Force in Ottawa and Kabul. His second placement was with the Arms Control Division in Ottawa, which included some work at the UN in New York and Vienna. "One of the highlights of my career," he recalls, "was addressing the United Nations on behalf of Canada, pushing for better regulation of the international arms trade."

After eight years in the Foreign Service, Richard was ready for a break from bureaucracy, and his wife was eager to pursue a long-held dream: he is helping her take over her family farm. Richard says, "My wife had followed me around the world for a few years,



**RICHARD BRUNEAU**

BSc Physics/Math '98

and it was my turn to follow her back home."

While Kierstin focuses on farming, Richard has returned to Augustana to teach sociology and is enrolled in the U of A's B.Ed. after-degree program. He looks forward to teaching in the Camrose area.

"High school is formative," he explains. "Teachers change the world by inspiring and empowering youth to understand the roles they can play in it." He believes that his work overseas will benefit him and his students in the social studies classroom. He will also be a role model, living proof that a kid from rural Alberta can travel the world and make a difference.



## ANNE-MARIE JAMIN

BA International Development/French '05

Life-changing. That's how Anne-Marie Jamin describes her participation in Augustana's Rural Development Exchange program in 2004-05. Had she not gone to Mexico, she says, she wouldn't be where she is today: working for the United Nations in Nairobi, Kenya.

Anne-Marie grew up in rural BC and planned to be a high school French teacher. Then she took a class from Dr. Dittmar Mündel at Augustana, and her eyes were opened to issues of global inequality and social justice. Before she knew it, she'd signed up for the exchange program. "It was a challenging year," she remembers, "but it changed the direction of my life."

Had she not gone to Mexico [with Augustana], she wouldn't be working for the United Nations in Kenya today.

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Profile by Pam Chamberlain

For Anne-Marie—keenly aware of global injustice, and eager to make a difference—working for the UN is a dream come true. In her position with the UN's International Labour Organization (ILO), Anne-Marie is helping to tackle youth unemployment in western Africa.

The ILO's Youth-to-Youth Fund (Y2YF) provides funding and technical support to youth-led organizations that come up with innovative solutions to unemployment in their communities. It's an approach that differs from the traditional culture of charity that exists in Africa, asking instead what youth want, what they need, and what they can do.

The Y2YF has helped talented young artists from the Korogocho slums to promote and sell their art in Kenya, women in rural Uganda to produce and market sanitary pads made from banana tree fibres, and women in rural Kenya to construct and sell energy-efficient cookstoves. Most important, the Y2YF strives to create not only jobs, but also community leaders—by giving young people skills that will stay with them for a lifetime, even if a particular business idea doesn't succeed.

"I love doing work that effects change so broadly," says Anne-Marie. "I am inspired by the enthusiasm of the people and the organizations we work with, and I admire their talent, innovation, and commitment." She is often humbled by the generosity of people who have less than she does, who will invite her into their homes for a meal or a cup of tea. "I am lucky to have friends in many corners of the world," she says. "Wherever I go, I will always take a piece of these experiences and these people with me."



The Augustana Alumni Office hosts a variety of events throughout the year, from the kid-friendly to the academic, the formal to the festive. See some examples of upcoming events below and sign up for our eCircle newsletter to stay informed!

#### FEBRUARY 10: MENTAL HEALTH AND INTERSEXUALITY



"I am a person, NOT a fascination: Mental Health and Gender/Sexuality", a Lunch & Learn with international intersex speaker Mani Bruce Mitchell. Offered as part of the 15th Augustana Human Library.

#### MARCH 1: FREE PLAY IN EDUCATION

"The importance of play-based learning", a Lunch & Learn with Dr. Paula Marentette.

#### MARCH 10: ALUMNI NIGHT AT FOOTLOOSE

For only \$20, enjoy a pre-reception with Paul "Sparky" Johnson as well as Augustana's production of the beloved musical, *Footloose!*



#### MARCH 26: EASTER EGGS-TRAVAGANZA

Our 5th Annual Easter Eggs-travaganza will delight children of all ages with crafts, cookies and a chocolate hunt around campus! Make sure you register early: this event sells out every year.

#### APRIL 4: LAST LECTURE

Last year, our inaugural Last Lecture attracted over 100 people to hear Kristine Nutting toss her syllabus aside and speak from the heart. Who will the Augustana community vote to hear this year?



#### APRIL 26: SPRING SOIREE

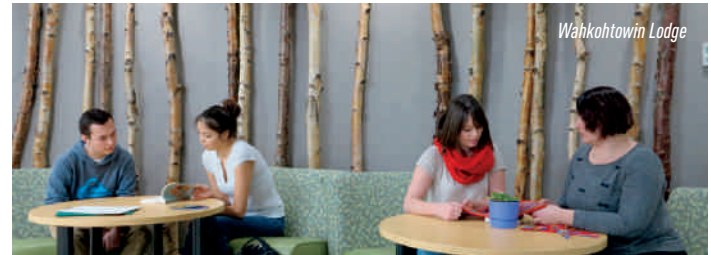
At Augustana's annual Spring Soiree, Dean Allen Berger delivers his Report to the Community. Mingle with alumni, faculty, students, and community members from Camrose, government, and the university as Dr. Berger provides his update on Augustana.



#### OTHER EVENTS

Watch our eCircle newsletter for upcoming events such as:

- Micro Brewery Tour
- Summer of Service Kick-Off at the Augustana Miquelon Lake Research Station
- Wahkohtowin Lodge Grand Opening



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!

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# FOUNDERS' HALL GRAND (RE-)OPENING



*Peter Berg, Ingrid Urberg, Bjorn Morisbak ('98),  
Honorary Consul to Norway*



*Verlyn Olson ('74) and Assistant Director  
of Development Bree Urkow*



*Stephanie Gruhlke*



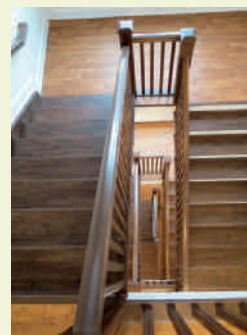
*2nd Floor Learning,  
Advising & Beyond office*



*Stan Gooch*



*James Olson, Marie Olson, Ruth Phillips, Stan Olson*



*Stephanie Gruhlke, Sam Kohlmann*

Our new Founders' Hall represents opportunity. It will be a one-stop shop for students to customize their degrees: advisors will help with academics, LAB will help craft the perfect international or community service learning opportunity, and the awards office will help with scholarships. The new campus living room and combination of services provided will enable more students to grow to reach their full potential here on campus.



*Jocelyn Berg ('53), Margaret Olstad ('53)*



*The new "campus living room":  
The Luther & Florence Olson Welcome Centre*



*Sam Jones, 4th year Psychology,  
on the renovated 4th floor.*

So take advantage of everything Founder's Hall represents. Seize the opportunities available. Travel abroad, do community service learning projects, or conduct your own undergraduate research. These can be terrifying, but they are all meant to push you out of your comfort zone. You will come out of this place transformed.

- Stephanie Gruhlke and Sam Kohlmann

Every fall, we host an Alumni Weekend to welcome our over 9,000 alumni back to Augustana. Whether you graduated from Camrose Lutheran College, Augustana University College, or the University of Alberta's Augustana Campus, you will find something for you!

Next year's Alumni Weekend will be held September 22-25, 2016. Host a class get-together to reconnect with old friends or reach out to a favourite professor! We already have several groups arranging get-togethers, such as the Classes of 1956, 1966, the Campus Chaplaincy, and our Golden Alumni.

"I didn't realize how much Alumni Weekend would mean to me until I went and experienced it," says Sara Smith ('12). "Thank you for all your hard work and arranging for everyone to come to a larger and larger event every year!"



Joshua Mohr ('04), Jonathan Mohr



Hazel Erga and Else Pedersen ('51)



Rueben Link



Costa Rica Alumni Reunion



Dean Allen Berger, Doris Anderson ('46)



Milton Schlosser



Dean Allen Berger, Verly Olson ('74), Sandra Gawad Gad, Becky Berger



Alumni Honour Award recipient, Alan Fielding ('63)



Scott MacLean, Ariane Fielding and family



Sara Smith and Rev. Craig Wentland



Jackie de Montarnal ('11), Lindsay Grimbley ('13), Dillon Lehman ('16)



Joyce (Link) Waite ('53)



## COMMUNITY & SUMMER PROGRAMMING



Augustana is pleased to offer yet another year of exciting and quality programming for 2016! Whatever your age we invite you, your family, and friends to join us here at the University of Alberta's Camrose campus as we continue to learn, grow, and have a little fun along the way.

Do you think you can still run and play for 8 hours a day? We didn't think so either. But we have trained and experienced staff to lead your children in just that through our extensive lineup of summer camps, spring break programs, after-school and weekend activities, and special events!

From science and engineering to photography and dance, sports and music lessons to the Rocky Road Ice Cream Festival and a massive Easter Egg Hunt, we offer an array of programs and activities designed specifically for children to explore their interests, develop creative thinking, learn and improve skills, and make new friends while creating memories that will last a lifetime. For more information visit [augustana.ualberta.ca/jru/](http://augustana.ualberta.ca/jru/)

If children's summer camps aren't quite the right fit for you, take a look at Augustana's Extended Education offerings.

From intensive short-term courses to certificate programs, our Extended Education offers continuous and lifelong learning opportunities to all ages across a variety of disciplines and interests. Participants have the opportunity to develop their professional toolkit, learn how to be leaders in sustainability, supplement career transitions, and to expand their network. For more information visit [augustana.ualberta.ca/extended\\_education/](http://augustana.ualberta.ca/extended_education/)



## SUPPORT OUR VIKING ATHLETES

### University fund boosts student awards

Vikings Athletics has long been a leader in inter-university sports, with several individual athletes and teams earning national recognition. Our student-athletes excel at athletics while maintaining 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 new awards will help attract more and more talented prospects to earn an Augustana degree while wearing the Viking red and black.

The University of Alberta is investing in our student athletes at Augustana. For every new \$2000, five-year award pledged by donors, the university offers a 50% match! New \$2000 awards pledged by donors actually create annual \$3000 awards for Viking athletes. Augustana has 50 of these matches available and the program has the potential to increase award support for our athletes by \$750,000 over the next 5 years.

"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!"

Your support will make a huge impact on our student-athletes.



Please contact the Augustana Development Office at 780.679.1558 or toll free at 1.800.590.9992.

## CELEBRATING OUR VIKINGS SCHOLAR ATHLETES



Augustana Campus celebrated both our 2014-15 Canadian Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA) National Scholar Athletes and Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference (ACAC) Academic Athletic Awards in a ceremony on October 28. These awards are presented annually each fall to account for Winter Term grades.

"We have much to celebrate," said Dean Allen Berger. "Among the 94 schools that are members of the CCAA, the average number of athletes per school who receive the National Scholar Award is nine. At Augustana, we have 35 athletes receiving this recognition!

"And that does not include our scholar-athletes in hockey, biathlon, or cross-country skiing, as these are not CCAA sports," Berger continued. "There are 10 additional athletes from these sports who will receive recognition as scholar-athletes from the ACAC. I am proud not only of our student-athletes, but of our coaches. As a group, they have made clear the importance of academics, and they have supported these young men and women to excel both in the classroom and on the field, court, track and arena."

### And the Challenge continues!

Dean Allen Berger reminded our scholar-athletes of his pledge at the awards ceremony: if an Augustana Vikings team wins both a Conference Championship AND the Highest Team GPA Award at Colour Night, he has promised a \$10,000 donation!



### Program trains female coach in men's basketball

Prompted by the underrepresentation of women in head coach positions, the CCAA introduced the Female Apprentice Coaching Program in 2005. Apprentice coaches are given opportunities to increase their coaching competency through professional development opportunities and through working with a mentor head coach. This fall, Augustana Campus welcomed Vikings women's basketball alumna Rachel Warrack (BSc Phys Ed '15) to men's basketball coaching under Dave Drabiuk!



"It is a rare opportunity for a woman to be offered an authority position on a men's team. It's a testament to the sports program we have here at Augustana as well as to the people I will be working with for the next year," said Warrack.

Greg Ryan, Director of Athletics and Campus Recreation at the University, has hired female coaches to work with men's programs before. His motivation then was simple: he wanted the best possible assistant coach available. He sees the same opportunity with Warrack.

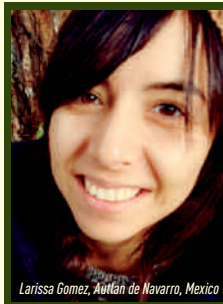
"With Rachel, we have the opportunity to support one of the most promising coaching talents that I have recently experienced," said Ryan. "She has demonstrated commitment to excellence in basketball and academics in her time here, making her an excellent role model for our student-athletes."

David Drabiuk has extensive experience in mentoring student-athletes and assistant coaches during his tenure as a coach and sessional instructor at the University of Alberta's Augustana Campus. Drabiuk has coached at Augustana since 2004; he is also the associate Head Coach for Team Alberta's U17 boys' team. Part of Drabiuk's professional development plan for Warrack includes her introduction into the NCCP stream and beginning her journey toward certification. He believes he can provide Warrack with a positive and meaningful experience as a coach.

## MEET SOME OF AUGUSTANA'S SUMMER RESEARCH STUDENTS

This summer, Augustana welcomed a record number of summer research students to work on a range of projects for our professors.

While many were current Augustana students, several came from around the world to take advantage of undergraduate research opportunities that are difficult to come by in larger institutions.



Larissa Gomez, Auitlan de Navarro, Mexico

"I'm in the third year of my Bachelor's degree in agricultural and natural resources at the University of Guadalajara in Auitlan de Navarro, Mexico," she wrote. Larissa worked on Purple Martin conservation in Central Alberta with Dr. Glen Hvenegaard.

"I got involved in the project thanks to the program Mitacs Globalink – I had six projects to choose from, but this one was the one I liked the most from the beginning."

"I'm from the University of Agriculture and Forestry in Vietnam," says Uyen. "As the final adventure in our 4.5 year program in Food Science and Technology, we were encouraged to do an internship in a foreign country."

Uyen worked with Dr. James Kariuki, using electrochemistry to analyze the amount of antioxidants in different parts of fruits.



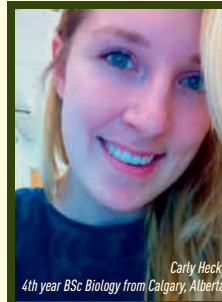
Uyen Nguyen, 4th year B.Sc. Food Science & Technology, from Soc Trang, Vietnam



James Hudec,  
3rd year BA History from Camrose

James worked with Suhyun Choi from South Korea to transcribe an unedited devotional text written in 1541 for English instructor Dr. Brandon Alakas.

Dyurse and Holy Instrucyons was written by the monk Richard Whitford after the institution of monasticism had been suppressed: this text adapts monastic spirituality to new contexts in post-Reformation England.

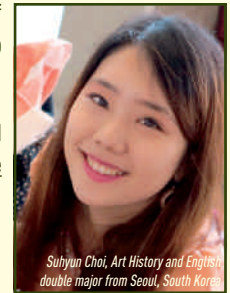


Carly Heck,  
4th year BSc Biology from Calgary, Alberta

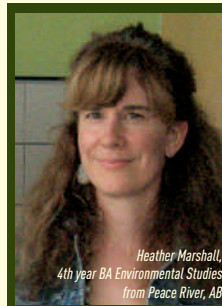
Dr. Tom Terzin supervised Carly Heck's project, examining how an individual's demographics influence their perception of beauty in nature. "We are showing participants pictures of moths and butterflies from Dr. Terzin's extensive collection here at Augustana," Carly explained. "They are asked to evaluate the insects' beauty and then tell us their reasoning. We hope that the information we find could be applied to industries such as textile design, advertising, and even architecture."

Suhyun traveled from Seoul National University as part of the University of Alberta Research Experience Internship Program to join Dr. Brandon Alakas (English).

She worked with James Hudec to transcribe an unedited devotional text written in 1541: Richard Whitford's Dyurse and Holy Instrucyons.



Suhyun Choi, Art History and English,  
double major from Seoul, South Korea

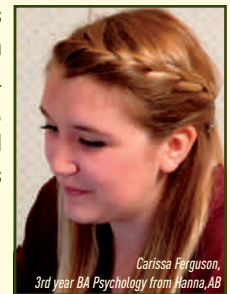


Heather Marshall,  
4th year BA Environmental Studies  
from Peace River, AB

Heather was in Vancouver, BC, when her involvement in the local food movement and work in Tanzania broadened her interest in environmental and social justice issues.

Heather worked with Drs. Glen Hvenegaard (Environmental Science) and Jeremy Mowat (History) to research and write about the life of Camrose naturalist, Frank Farley. Farley inspired and mentored many young people, including his great-nephew, writer/environmentalist Farley Mowat.

Carissa partnered on a two-year project to explore issues surrounding disability and employment under Dr. Rebecca Purc-Stephenson. She will help develop a theoretical model and support for future vocational rehabilitation interventions, beginning with a quantitative data review of studies published from 1980 to 2015 and ending with disseminating the results at national and international conferences!



Carissa Ferguson,  
3rd year BA Psychology from Hanna, AB

## STUDENT PROJECTS MAKE AN IMPACT

By Cameron Raynor

Augustana students complete an average of 400-500 Community Service-Learning (CSL) projects each year. CSL gives students a chance to make connections between theory and practice, and to engage with the community. Last year, Augustana students took advantage of unique experiential learning opportunities to produce some very impressive results.

Students Daniel Christensen, Colby McFeely and Amy Wright created a music video about the local food movement as a project for instructor Dee Patriquin's environmental studies class. Throughout the project, the students encountered real life examples of the concepts they were studying in class. "We had prior knowledge of environmental issues," said Colby, who plays guitar in the video. "Then we took what we learned from the video and applied it. It gave us a better appreciation and understanding of what was going on in the class." See the video here: [youtube.com/watch?v=dHNK8TDclx4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dHNK8TDclx4)



Cole Smith performs an experiment for an elementary school class.

Meanwhile, students Carly Olafson, Cole Smith and Natalie Marsden were hard at work creating science experiments in a box. "We do a lot of chemistry demonstrations for community groups," explained their instructor, Dr. Brian Rempel. "I wanted boxes that had everything I needed to do an experiment in them. If I wanted to do a demo, I could grab a box off the shelf and I could run that experiment."

Over the course of the term, the students prepared a range of experiments from exploding hydrogen balloons to 'elephant toothpaste'. Although never initially planned, the project was so successful that the students were invited to present their experiments to local elementary school classes. "It was awesome, just awesome for everyone," says Dr. Rempel. "The Grade 2 students had a blast. All of a sudden they were saying things like 'I want to be a scientist when I grow up.'"

## A MOTH'S-EYE VIEW OF COSTA RICA

By Brittany Johnson

Moths don't flutter to mind when most people think about understanding the environment, but according to Dr. David Larson, recently retired professor of biology from Augustana, moths are one of the best ways to learn about a region's biodiversity.



Since 1999, Dr. Larson and Dr. Doris Audet researched insects and bats at CURDTS in northwest Costa Rica. The studies moved to moths and bats with the change in location to the Osa Conservation Piro Station in 2012. Dr. Larson's blog article [Seeing Moths in a New Light](#) was published on the Osa Conservation website, and includes photos of moths that have been contributed to the University of Georgia's Discover Life website as part of their project on the moths of Costa Rica.

Larson has encountered some incredibly rare moths, such as the 24cm-wingspan white witch (*Thysania agrippina*) which is believed to be the largest moth in the world. Other moths are still waiting to be named: nearly three-quarters of the moths discovered at Piro are still nameless or genus-only in status, which hints at the breadth of moth species in Costa Rica.

Since the beginning of the study, nearly 100 Augustana undergraduate students have taken the opportunity for hands-on experience in Costa Rica. They design and carry out their own field research on tropical forest biodiversity, which may or may not intersect with the research of Larson or Audet, and prepare a scientific report. Many have gone on to present their research at Augustana's Student Academic Conference as well as various national and international scientific conferences and meetings.

"This exposure to designing, carrying out and reporting on a tropical biodiversity field study is a singular experience for any Canadian undergraduate student," says Larson, "and students at Augustana have the chance to take part in this incredible opportunity."

## ALUMNI HELP BUILD A HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



We kicked off the Do Great Things “Summer of Service” campaign for the University of Alberta right here in Camrose! Two teams of University of Alberta, Augustana Campus, and Camrose Lutheran College alumni – as well as one future alumna – joined in to build a Habitat for Humanity.

Summer of Service aims to inspire the 260,000+ University of Alberta alumni across the globe to support or initiate voluntary service in their local communities. In its second year, Summer of Service organized events in Edmonton, Red Deer, Calgary, High River, Lethbridge, Vancouver, Toronto, San Francisco, Hong Kong, and in Camrose.

The projects this year included five Habitat for Humanity builds, five park cleanups, a food bank packing session, a day in the soup kitchen, and a charity run raising funds for brain cancer research. Summer of Service is part of the Alumni Volunteer Challenge which hopes to engage U of A alumni in 2,015 volunteer experiences during its 2015 centenary year.

We thank the several CLC, AUC, U of A alumni and students who participated! They are part of an international community of U of A graduates who donate their time to a greater cause and give back to our communities.



## AUGUSTANA MScPT PROGRAM PERMANENTLY FUNDED

*By Bryan Alary, Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine*

A whole new generation of occupational therapists and physical therapists will help meet the rehabilitation needs of the entire province, thanks to the University of Alberta’s permanent presence in southern and rural Alberta.

The Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine held a grand opening September 10 to mark the permanent operation of the faculty’s Calgary and Camrose satellite sites, home to master’s-level programs in occupational therapy (Calgary) and physical therapy (Camrose and Calgary). The two satellite sites had previously operated as pilot projects.

“Today marks a new chapter for the Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine in how we educate the rehabilitation professionals of tomorrow,” said Bob Haennel, interim dean. “We take pride in being the only free-standing Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine in North America, but we also take seriously our responsibility to ensure Albertans have access to the rehabilitation services that are vital to quality of life, function and participation in an inclusive society.”

Students and professors from all three cities interact using real-time synchronous video conferencing technology.

“Just as technological advances continually change and improve how we deliver rehabilitation treatments, technology is changing how we teach our students,” Haennel added. “We can educate more students at the same time without sacrificing the learning experience or watering down opportunities for hands-on training.”





## AUGUSTANA MILESTONES

For the years you have given to Augustana, and on behalf of the thousands of lives you have touched, we thank you.

### 30 YEARS



Tim Parker



Milton Schlosser

### 25 YEARS



Nancy Goebel



Neil Haave



Gerhard Lotz

### 20 YEARS

Morten Asfeldt  
Inna Luzanac

## NEW INDIGENOUS STUDIES COURSES COMBINE INTERNATIONAL EXPERTISE WITH ON-CAMPUS MENTORS

*By Kate Gael*

Augustana is at the forefront of a new way of teaching. In contrast with the popular drive towards massive open online courses (MOOCs), our professors have been experimenting with supported educational outreach to smaller classes across the continent.

Augustana's Associate Dean of Research, Dr. Roxanne Harde, is one of the principal investigators of the hybrid program trial. "The courses are taught online, but every campus has a mentor for its students who are taking a course from another campus," she explains.

Three new hybrid courses available to Augustana students combine the flexibility of online learning, on-campus mentorship, and access to internationally renowned experts. These interdisciplinary courses have been developed across the COPLAC (Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges) network, and several will offer the opportunity to travel and earn credit for hands-on research.

Students discuss weekly readings online and submit assignments electronically. They meet every week with the onsite faculty mentor, who assists with technical issues and reading comprehension. The mentor also collects feedback from the students regarding the effectiveness of the courses and distance learning system.

Overall, students have found that the weekly assignments and the discussion boards have led to a positive experience: discussions with peers and being able to return to certain conversations at any time has proven to be an invaluable asset of the online format.

The courses are available to Augustana as the only Canadian member of COPLAC, an international association of post-secondary institutions located across North America, through a Teagle grant. The Teagle Foundation supports educational endeavors, and has funded COPLAC for three years to see if its members can find a way to share courses online. The goal is to see if more, or all, COPLAC members can start to offer Native Studies Minors and eventually Native Studies Majors as well. The grant is currently in the middle of its second year, and courses are already being set up into the 2016/2017 academic year.

"The ideal is that, at the end of the grant, we will all have sustainable models in place so that we can continue to deliver the programs as hybrid courses," Harde says. "The investment is not huge, though we want to ensure we can continue to find funding for students to attend spring courses. We are aiming for an array of multidisciplinary credits so we can comfortably offer a minor."

The Faculty Evaluation Committee delivered some terrific news this year: three Augustana instructors have been promoted to the ranks of full professor! Please join us in congratulating



Kevin Sutley

- **Dr. William (Bill) Foster**, Management
- **Dr. Glynnis Hood**, Environmental Science
- **Kevin Sutley**, Drama

**Dr. Peter Berg** has been hired as the Chair of Science and Professor of Mathematics & Physics, following academic appointments in Canada and Norway. He holds a Physik Diplom from the University of Muenster and a Ph.D. from the University of Bristol. Peter has taught mathematics and physics, with a focus on classical mechanics, quantum mechanics, fluid dynamics and differential equations.

**Dr. Joseph Wiebe**, who holds a Ph.D. in Religion and Politics from McMaster University and a M.T.S. in Theological Ethics from Duke University's Divinity School, joined Augustana in Religion and Ecology. Joseph was most recently a postdoctoral fellow in the History Department at the University of Winnipeg and a visiting fellow at the University of Manitoba.

**Daniel Sims**, a doctoral candidate in History at the University of Alberta, started at Augustana as a full-time sessional instructor in the fall and begins a tenure-track appointment in January. Daniel is completing a dissertation on the creation of the Williston Lake Reservoir and the relationship between that project and the Tse Keh Nay nation in British Columbia.



L to R: Joseph Wiebe, Daniel Sims, Peter Berg.

**Mike Clermont** will be moving from a supervisory role within the Maintenance Unit to a full time project coordinator role within Operations and Maintenance of Facilities and Operations. Congratulations, Mike!



**Dr. Kim Misfeldt** received the Charles Dunn Award, which recognizes a faculty member for extraordinary engagement and support of students, in the classroom, office and beyond.

**Dr Lars Hallstrom**, who was promoted to full Professor of Political Studies in the Department of Social Sciences at Augustana Campus last year, received the 2015 CAFA Distinguished Academic Award. The Confederation of Alberta Faculty Associations (CAFA) is the provincial organization representing academic staff associations at the University of Alberta, the University of Lethbridge, the University of Calgary, and Athabasca University. Dr Hallstrom also published a book called "Ecosystems, Society and Health".

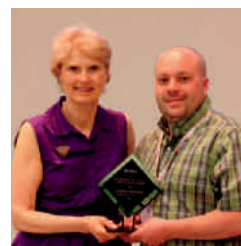
**Dr. Doris Audet** is the new Associate Chair of Science. Congratulations Doris!

**Marina Endicott's** novel *Close to Hugh* was long listed for the Giller Prize. Marina is a Sessional Lecturer in English at Augustana. Congratulations Marina!

**Kelly Lyons** has accepted the position of Head Coach for Women's Basketball at Augustana. Additionally, Kelly will be a part time sessional instructor with the Physical Education program in the Department of Social Sciences.

**Magrieta Snyman** has been hired as Chemistry Lab Coordinator. Magrieta has served as a sessional lab instructor in general and organic chemistry since the fall of 2005. She holds an M.Sc. in Organic Chemistry and Secondary Education. Congratulations Magrieta!

**Robert Brennan**, New Media Specialist at Augustana, was recognized with the University of Alberta's 2015 Information Technology Ambassador Award. He received the award for his work designing and delivering the DidUKnow series of programs at Augustana.



**James Smith** has been hired as Assistant Dean Finance and Administration. James moved from North Battleford, SK, with his wife Anne and their two children. Welcome to Augustana!

**Wayne Lee-Ying** has resigned as Associate Director, International Initiatives & International Student Support. All the best in your future endeavors!

**Nola Sharp** has joined the Personal Counselling Centre along with Carmen Person at Augustana. She replaced Janice Fehr, who is now in private practice serving Camrose and Hanna. We wish you both well in your new vocations.

Congratulating **Bree Urkow** in her new role as Assistant Director of Development!

**Tim Wintoniw**, Cross Country Skiing Coach at Augustana, was in the Sichuan Province of China as a member of Canada's national rafting team for the Chinese Extreme Sports Association invitational R2 rafting competition held from June 25 to 30th. Congratulations on an outstanding third place finish! *(Camrose Canadian July 23, 2015)*



## 1950



'55 Lyle Erga shared his wonderful photo: four generations of Augustana students in front of the brand new Founders' Hall! Clockwise from left: Lyle Erga ('55), Trevor Erga ('78), Rebekah (James) Erga ('78), Natalie (Erga) Holden ('06), and matriarch Malfrid (Boness) Erga ('24)

'58 Darrell Rosland has retired after 41 years in real estate. Enjoy your retirement!

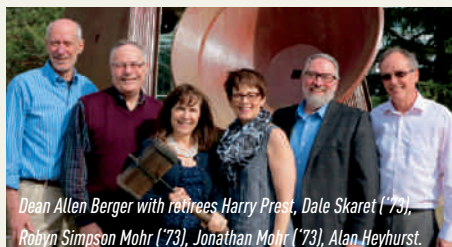
## 1960

'63 Alan Fielding received the University of Alberta Alumni Honour Award in Edmonton on September 24. It was well deserved, Alan - we congratulate you!

## 1970

'71 Doug Tien was inducted into the Camrose Composite High School (CCHS) Wall of Fame on November 21, 2014. (*Camrose Booster November 18, 2014*)

'73 Robyn Simpson Mohr - who started in 1992 as Chaplaincy Assistant - retired this term.



Dean Allen Berger with retirees Harry Prest, Dale Skaret ('73), Robyn Simpson Mohr ('73), Jonathan Mohr ('73), Alan Heyhurst.

She is joined by husband and Science Chair Dr. Jonathan Mohr ('73) who served as computing science professor and former choir director for 39 years. We wish you both all the best!

'73 Dale (Rasmussen) Skaret also retired from Augustana after 25 years as Finance Administrator. All the best Dale!

'75 Ron Pilger has been elected to a three-year term on the board of directors of Alberta Central Credit Union. Congratulations on your new responsibilities! (*Camrose Booster May 19, 2015*)

'75 Rodney Lee retired in August 2014 after 36 years in public education serving as a teacher, school administrator and - for the last nine years - deputy superintendent of Peace Wapiti School Division. Augustana celebrates your Special Contribution to Public School Education Award from the Public School Boards' Association of Alberta and upon your retirement, Rodney! (*New Trail Spring 2015*)



'79 Rick Bergh published *Finding Anchors*, on how to bring stability to your life following a cancer diagnosis.

'79 Daniel Jensen will be retiring from the Camrose Booster in 2016. Dan was thanked by Mayor Norm Mayer for his excellent reporting over the years. All the best in your retirement!



## 1980

'84 Elinor Holt played Ann in Sage Theatre's production of *Shakespeare's Will* at the Pumphouse's Joyce Doolittle Theatre in November. The play is about Shakespeare going to his solicitor to write a will and leaving the household's second best bed to his wife. (<http://www.calgarysun.com/2015/11/02/calgarys-sage-theatre-to-stage-production-of-shakespeares-will/>)



'88 Nancy Goebel - head librarian at Augustana Campus - received the 2015 Association of College and Research Libraries Women and Gender Studies Section Award for Significant Achievement in Women's Studies Librarianship. The award honours a significant or one-time contribution to women's studies librarianship. (see <http://news.augustana.ualberta.ca/2015/03/nancy-goebel-wins-women-and-gender-studies-award/>)

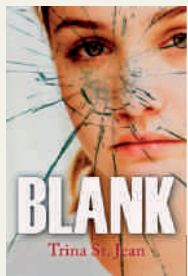
'89 Andrew Lyster - athletics director at CCHS - received an Alberta Schools' Athletic Association Zone Award of Merit on December 4, 2014. Augustana congratulates you on your award! (*Camrose Booster January 6, 2015*)



## CLASS NOTES

### 1990

'90 **Daniel Busi** was inducted into the Camrose Composite High School (CCHS) Wall of Fame on November 21, 2014. *[Camrose Booster November 18, 2014]*



'95 **Trina St. Jean** has many, many happy memories from Augustana and is very grateful to have had the opportunity to study here.

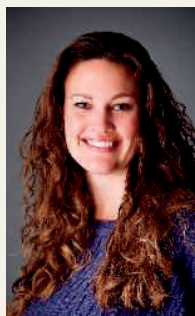
Trina has written her first young adult novel, *Blank*, which was published by Orca on April 1. The book tells the story of Jessica, who struggles to piece her shattered life back together after a brain injury. Trina's psychology degree came in very useful while writing the novel and sparked her interest in the topic of brain injury. You can find out more information at [www.trinastjean.com](http://www.trinastjean.com)

'99 **Lanette Prediger** has a spot on Canada's World Cup skeleton team! In 2014-15, she claimed four Top 10 finishes, including a fourth place at St. Moritz.



### 2000

'00 **Brendan Lord** - director of music at McDougall United Church in Edmonton - was an adjudicator for the April 13-17 Music Festival in Camrose. *[Camrose Booster March 31, 2015]*



'01 **Cindy (Ferece) Gratton** received the Gwen Mottram Arts Award for her extensive contributions to the cultural life of Lloydminster. She received this at the Mayor's Celebration of the Arts in June, 2015. Congratulations, Cindy!

'03 **Graeme Moore** is the new head coach at the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club in Prince George, BC. He earned a Physical Education degree from Augustana in 2003, coached at Red Deer College for three years and began coaching the Red Deer Nordics in 2005. Augustana wishes you and your family well in your new home and job! *[Prince George Citizen July 10, 2015]*

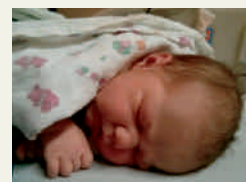
'04 **Barnaby Provost** was elected to Council for the Piikani nation. Congratulations and we wish you well in your new position! *[Global News Edmonton January 12, 2015]*

'04 **Tyson Lazaruk** and wife Janelle are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Grey Metro, on May 12, 2015. Congratulations!



'05 **Tara (Shologan) Wenstob** and husband Doug welcomed son Jayce Douglas on October 15, 2015: a new brother for Cassie & Haylee! All the best to you and your family!

'05 **Amber (Schmidt) Basarab and Steve Basarab ('07)** are pleased to announce the birth of daughter Lou Brighton born in Camrose on



February 3, 2015, weighing 8 lbs and measuring 22.5 inches: a new baby sister for Quincie! Congratulations!

Amber is back at Augustana as a part-time CSL Coordinator with LAB. She is the lead on sustainability-related CSL placements and other activities.

'08 **Candice Tremblay** recently graduated from the University of Alberta's Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine with a Master's of Science in Physical Therapy. She is now a Physiotherapist at St. Boniface Hospital in Manitoba. Wishing you all the best, Candice!



'08 **Maria (Millang) Skriver** and husband Mark Skriver welcomed a baby boy, Cohen, on June 1st, 2015. Maria is also now a Registered Psychologist in Alberta.

'08 **Lyndsay Sprado** has started a new position at Brock University in St. Catharines, ON, as Relationship Manager in Latin American & African Markets. She is also almost done her Master's at Acadia University in Wolfville! Lyndsay won the Sir James Lougheed Award of Distinction for her research as well as the Acadia Graduate Award.

'08 **Nansee (Cowan) Hughes** writes this past year has been a busy one for her. Last June, Nansee started getting back into singing shape after having her son, Masen. In October, she was one of six participants to sing in a masterclass in Edmonton, hosted by the National Association of Teachers of Singing, for clinician Ben Heppner.

In November, Nansee auditioned for the Centre for Operatic Studies in Italy program and was invited to participate in their Independent Studies Program for Advanced Singers to help further her progress towards auditions for companies and other programs. Nansee was lucky to work with an esteemed faculty, receiving voice lessons, coaching masterclasses, Italian lessons, acting coaching, and many performance opportunities over her month in Italy. Nansee writes that she is already in the process of piecing together repertoire for her next round of auditions and is excited for the opportunities that await her!

## 2010



'10 **Jody Rintoul** has been hired as Biology Lab Coordinator at Augustana. Welcome, Jody!

'11 **Lindsay (Sims) Aicken** and husband Jaime welcomed their third son Mats John on August 16, 2015. Augustana celebrates the newest member of your family!

'12 **Stephanie Sims** of Camrose Stained Glass was recently named one of four Alberta Start-Up Entrepreneur Award Finalists as part of the "Success 4 Business" campaign. Keep up the good work, Stephanie, and good luck! (*Camrose Canadian November 12, 2015*)

'12 **Shara Harke** has been hired into a CSL Team Lead position with the Learning-Advising-Beyond unit. Shara is back here in a position that will allow her to provide leadership in the Community Service-Learning area. Welcome back Shara!



'12 **Simon St. Jean** finished his MSc in applied math at the University of Saskatchewan. Following his dream of teaching at the college level, Simon plans to take a BEd. He says his interest in education is due to the close connection that Simon had with the math/physics profs at Augustana, and from the opportunity to tutor AUMAT 110, 111, 112, and 120 at Augustana. Best of luck in the pursuit of your dream!

'12 **Bradley Stollery** received his Master's Degree in Political Science from Carleton University in 2015. He would like to work in foreign affairs as a diplomat and he is currently waiting to hear about a Rotary Club bursary to go overseas to do another Master's degree in Conflict Resolution or Peace Studies. All the best in your endeavors Bradley and good luck!

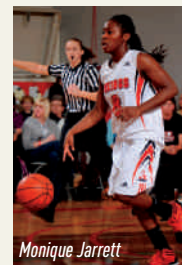
'13 **Kari (Zimmerman) Olafson** and husband Clayton have a new daughter, Violet Clarice, born on November 27, 2014. All the best on your new family!

'13 **Katelyn (Holden) Harte** and husband Dustin were blessed with a daughter, Avery Lyn, on March 30, 2015, weighing 7.9 lbs. Best wishes!

'13 **Robert Manley** was recently accepted into the unique thematic Master's program in *Philosophy: Self, Agency, and Community* at Wilfred Laurier. Robert won the Outstanding Undergraduate Research Award in Winter 2013. Best of luck!



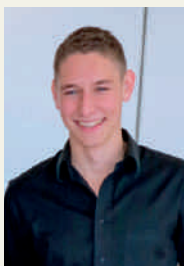
'13 **Eric Gustafsson** - aside from acting and playing music - has started his own production company called Driftwood Entertainment Inc. The developmental production company partners with different cinematography production teams to create short films, TV pilots, and feature films. Since starting the company in 2014, he has been slowly building a rockstar team of partners. Their latest project is titled "Three & Two", a sports drama television pilot that illustrates growing up in a rural suburban world while being the nation's number one baseball draft pick straight out of high school. They are set to shoot in June, 2016, pending a full budget review. They will send the pilot to studios and networks in hopes of turning it into a full television series. Things are BUSY! Visit [www.ericgustafsson.com](http://www.ericgustafsson.com)



'14 **Monique Jarrett** has been accepted into medical school at University of Alberta. Congratulations!

'14 **Emily Ervin** has been accepted into the Doctor of Dental Surgery program at the U of A! Best wishes on your new adventure, Emily!

## CLASS NOTES



'15 **Ryan Lindsay** received the David Prior Award, which recognizes a graduating student for the quality of a reflective essay focused on the transformative impact of a liberal arts education at a COPLAC institution. All the best, Ryan!

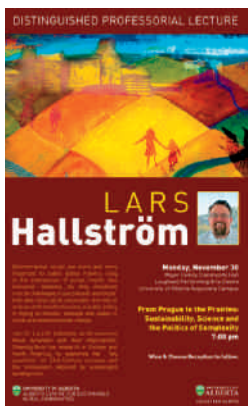
'15 **Taylor Nelson** has been accepted into medical school at University of Alberta. All the best!

**Dr. Lars Hallström** was the latest to join our ranks of full professors at the University of Alberta's Augustana Campus. As a result, he offered his Distinguished Professorial Lecture on November 30.

### **"From Prague to the Prairies: Sustainability, Science and the Politics of Complexity"**

Environmental issues are more and more important to public policy makers, lying at the intersection of social, health, and economic interests. As they constitute critical challenges to our present and future, they also force us to reconsider the role of science and the effectiveness of public policy in trying to resolve, manage and adapt to social and environmental change.

Drawing from his research in Europe and North America, Lars examined the "big questions" for 21st Century societies and the innovations required by sustainable development.



## REMEMBERING DR. HENRY CARTER

It is with great sorrow that we announce the passing of lifelong friend of Augustana, Professor Emeritus Dr. Henry Carter.

Henry started teaching chemistry at Camrose Lutheran College in 1974 and only retired from Augustana Campus in 2010. He was repeatedly recognized for the quality of his teaching, dedication to his students, and devotion to both the campus and community.

"Henry was a close personal friend, an invaluable colleague, a committed academic, a dedicated scientist, and most of all a caring, highly effective, and well respected professor to his students," says Dr. Michael Mucz. "We have lost not only a friend and a scholar but also a fine, gentle, caring person."

The Campus hosted memorial time for reflection about Henry and his impact on Augustana on Friday, November 20.

If family and friends so desire, gifts in honour of Henry will continue to be accepted by the Augustana Development Office. Please contact us at (780) 679-1558 to learn more.



## REMEMBERING MARK CHYTRACEK

It is with the deepest regret that we announce the loss of a dear friend of Augustana. Mark Chytracek, our much beloved Director of Student and Resident Services, passed away on Friday, October 9, from a heart attack.

Mark was a valued mentor and friend to many students, staff, and alumni. For over 33 years, he exemplified what community and caring mean at Augustana. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife Brandi; children Jon (Angela), Amanda (Will), David (Jessi); grandson Noah and the rest of the Chytracek family.

A Celebration of Life Service was held on Saturday, October 24.

If you were unable to attend the service, we invite you to watch it here: <http://www.augustana.ualberta.ca/liveevents/>

If family and friends so desire, in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions will gratefully be accepted for *The Mark Chytracek Endowment for Leadership and Community Engagement fund*, which will support on an ongoing basis at Augustana both student awards and programming initiatives inspired by Mark's example.

## IN MEMORIAM

**Elsie (Weiss) Kaser ('33)** of Camrose on October 7  
**Ruth (Forster) ('37)** of Camrose on April 6  
**Konard Hoyme ('39)** of Ottawa, ON, on August 21  
**Ewart Whaley ('41)** of Sherwood Park, AB, on February 10  
Distinguished Alumnus **Leslie Peterson ('42)** of Vancouver on April 14  
**Viola Lae ('45)** of Edmonton on March 12  
**Martin Valentine ('46)** of Red Deer on November 20, 2014  
**John Lefsrud ('47)** of Edmonton on May 10  
**Dorothy (Vinge) Engen ('49)** of Eastend, SK, on July 20, 2013  
**Cora (Pedersen) Foote ('50)** of Calgary on November 9, 2014  
**Leola (Klein) Nawrot ('50)** of Vegreville, AB, on June 17  
**Graham Payne ('52)** of Edmonton on January 31  
**Alice (Johnson) Rude ('52)** of Camrose on September 10  
**Lorraine "Yvonne" (Thompson) Folk ('52)** of Camrose on October 2  
**Kenneth Caldwell ('58)** of Valleyview, AB, on November 14, 2014  
**Vivian (Finnestad) Duchesne ('58)** of Edmonton on April 28  
**George Snider ('60)** of Camrose on August 10  
**Glen Grue ('61)** of Leduc, AB, on January 26  
**Faye Connie (Odegard) Whitecotton ('64)** of Camrose on August 1, 2014  
**Janet Irene (Lindberg) Smith ('65)** of Millet, AB, on October 5  
**Elsbeth (Patterson) Simpson ('65)** of Ajax, ON, on February 22  
**Dr Gregory Parsons ('66)** of Camrose on January 17  
**Dennis Hoppe ('66)** of Biggar, SK, on July 27  
**Russel McBain ('67)** of Calgary on December 29, 2014

**Hanne Birthe (Hansen) Livingstone ('72)** of Edmonton on January 25  
**Elaine Louise (Defoe) Pollock ('74)** of Vancouver on February 16  
**Grace (Heiberg) Schacher ('75)** of Tofield, AB, on April 14  
**Daryl Skaret ('77)** of Armena, AB, on October 17  
**Marilyn (Berglund) Abrahamsom ('78)** of Duhamel, AB, on November 19, 2014  
**Peter Skretting ('79)** of Camrose on June 11  
**Daniel Cameron ('81)** of Millet, AB, on February 19, 2014  
**Dean Andrew Monkman ('84)** of Airdrie, AB, on February 25  
**Anita Feth ('86)** of Camrose on November 18, 2014  
**Patricia (Blaeser) Lohner ('90)** of Heisler, AB, on November 16, 2014  
**Paula Marie Stiles ('90)** of Sherwood Park, AB, on April 15  
**Lorin Lysachok ('96)** of Slave Lake, AB, on January 21  
**Shirley (Jensen) Bawden ('96)** of Camrose on August 20  
**John Muhlbach ('04)** of Camrose on January 29  
**Jeffrey McDevitt ('07)** of Camrose on October 15

Other members of the Augustana community:

1999 Alumni Citation recipient **Ray McIsaac** of Camrose on November 14, 2014.

Former CLC Board of Regents member **Reverend Milton Schmitke** of Spruce Grove on July 20, 2013.

Former CLC President **Reverend Dr George Evenson** of Camrose on October 24.

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