

# President's Report May 2015

## News

### Inspiring Individuals Recognized

Five inspiring individuals will receive honorary degrees from TRU during the Spring 2015 Convocation ceremonies June 10 to 12. The recipients are judge and humanitarian **Thomas Berger**; broadcast journalist **Michaela Pereira**; former provincial politician **Kevin Krueger**; entrepreneur and philanthropist **Kenneth Lepin**; and indigenous rights advocate and researcher **Dr. Cindy Blackstock**.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/05/04/2015-honorary-doctorates/>



*TRU's 2015 honorary degree recipients: Thomas Berger, Michaela Pereira, Kevin Krueger, Ken Lepin, and Cindy Blackstock.*

### Campus-wide Emergency Exercise

TRU's emergency management plan was tested on May 14 in a simulation involving 425 participants and many local, provincial and national observers. It was an important training exercise for both TRU's emergency operations team and the community's emergency response partners: the Kamloops RCMP, City of Kamloops, Kamloops Fire Rescue, BC Ambulance Service, and Royal Inland Hospital. The experience gained from this practice will make TRU and our community better prepared to respond in a crisis.

### Millwright Program Comes to TRU

In a successful partnership with School District 73, TRU will utilize the new space and equipment available at the NorKam Trades and Technology Centre to offer a millwright pre-apprenticeship. The Ministry of Advanced Education recently announced it would fund 16 seats in the Foundation program, and the first students are expected this August. <http://inside.tru.ca/2015/05/06/millwright-program-a-go-for-tru/>

### Branding Town Hall

The proposed model for a TRU brand was revealed in a Town Hall on April 29, and posted on myTRU until May

8 for feedback. Input from the presentation and review will assist TRU and agency Will Creative to develop brand creative concept options, which will be presented to the campus community at the end of May.

## Western Canadian Regional 3MT Comes to TRU

On Apr. 30 graduate students from across western Canada competed at the regional Three Minute Thesis (3MT) competition, hosted for the first time by TRU. Elizabeth Watt from the University of Calgary was awarded first place for her presentation "Permanent Breast Seed Implant: Improving Patient Experience in Early-Stage Breast Cancer". <http://inside.tru.ca/2015/04/30/and-the-western-canadian-3mt-winner-is/>



*Fourteen graduate students from universities across Western Canada came to TRU to compete in the regional Three Minute Thesis.*

## Research to Monitor Impact of Mount Polley Mine Breach

A \$300,000 research project led by **Lauchlan Fraser**, Natural Resource Sciences, aims to improve strategies for monitoring the ecological impact of the Mount Polley Mine tailing breach and provide environmental remediation recommendations.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/04/20/genome-bc-imperial-metals-nserc-and-mitacs-fund-300000-research-project/>

## Canadian Law Research Grant Awarded

A project by **Richard Frimpong Oppong**, Law, has been awarded a grant from the Foundation for Legal Research. Titled "Jurisdiction Agreements in Interprovincial and International Commercial Contracts in Canada", the research examines the effectiveness of jurisdiction agreements in Canada.

## Williams Lake Commencement

Candidates and graduates were honoured at the 2015 Williams Lake Commencement Ceremonies on May 22 in recognition of their program completion.

## **Williams Lake Long-term Service Awards**

Long-serving employees were honoured at the Williams Lake Long-term Service Awards on May 22, and recipients joined the president for a recognition lunch.

## **Annual Retirement Dinner**

Fifty retiring faculty and staff were honoured on May 19 at the Annual Retirement Dinner. A total of 19 attended the retirement dinner this year.

## **Tenure and Promotion Recognized**

A lunch celebrating tenure and promotion among TRU faculty was held on May 1 with the president.

## **Logger Days at TRU**

Presented by the Wellness Centre, the Office of Environment and Sustainability, and the International Student Activity Program (ISAP), TRU celebrated the end of winter semester with a logger sports day on Apr. 10. Demonstrations and activities included axe throwing, cross-cut sawing, and a choker race.



*Students, faculty and staff participated in Logger Day activities April 10.*

## **18th Annual Trash Bash**

Students, staff and faculty scoured the Kamloops campus on May 13 to clean up litter at the annual event put on by the Office of Environment and Sustainability, which conclude with a BBQ, cake and prizes.

## **Guidance Counsellors Visit TRU**

Over 30 high school guidance counsellors, First Nation education workers and administrators visited the campus on Apr. 28 to participate in a campus tour and collaborate with staff and faculty.

## **Teacher Education Roundtable Conference**

Educators, program advisors, and deans from nine schools of education in BC visited the campus for the annual Teacher Education Roundtable Conference on May 8. The theme of the meeting was "Indigenizing Teacher Education".

## Lunch with the President

The semester's final Lunch with the President for Faculty and Staff took place Apr. 27. Keep watching for future invitations.

## Achievements

**Melodie Hull**, Nursing, was recently featured in the *Cranbrook Daily Townsman* for significant philanthropy in establishing the Melodie Hull Fund for Mental Health through the Cranbrook and District Community Foundation (CDCF).

**Lindsay Langill**, Dean of Trades and Technology, was reappointed for a 2-year term on the Industry Training Authority (ITA) Board of Directors.

**Lois Peters**, Education and Skills Training Program (ESTR), is the recipient of the Disability Resource Network of BC for Post Secondary Education Award of Excellence for Programs for 2015, for her commitment to excellence and support of students.

## Publications

### Presentations

**Kelvin Booth**, Philosophy, History, and Politics

Booth, Kelvin. "The Social Meaning of the Body: Mark Johnson and George Herbert Mead." American Philosophical Association 2015 Pacific Division Meeting. Vancouver BC. April 1-4, 2015.

Booth, Kelvin. "William James and the Dao: Effortless Action, the Stream of Thought, and Getting Things Done." American Philosophical Association 2015 Pacific Division Meeting. Vancouver BC. April 1-4, 2015.

**Ruby Dhand**, Law

Dhand, Ruby. "Therapeutic Jurisprudence and Canada's New Refugee Determination System: Addressing the Plight of Refugees with Mental Health Disabilities." Pacific Rim International Conference on Disability and Diversity. Honolulu, HI. May 18-22, 2015.

**Edward Howe**, Education

Howe, Edward R. "Narrative Teacher Education Pedagogies from across the Pacific." American Educational Research Association 2015 Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. April 16-20, 2015.

**Craig Jones**, Law

Collins, Lynda M., and Craig E. Jones. "Solving the Causation Problems in Toxic Torts." Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia (CLEBC) Toxic Torts 2015. Vancouver, BC. May 6, 2015.

Jones, Craig. "Pitching to the Lizard: Subconscious Persuasion, Irrationality and Bias in Judicial Decisions." Faculty of Law Speaker Series, University of Victoria. Victoria, BC. February 2, 2015.

Jones, Craig. "Privacy Claims/Intrusion upon Selection." Panel Moderator. 12th National Symposium on Class Actions. Toronto, ON. April 23-24, 2015.

Jones, Craig E. "Scope and Liability: Remoteness and Proximate Cause." CLEBC Causation in Tort III. Vancouver, BC. May 5, 2015.

Jones, Craig E., and Rodney L. Hayley. "The Ethics of Class Actions: A Class Apart?" Canadian Institute's Class Actions Forum West. Vancouver, BC. May 21, 2015

Jones, Craig, Matt McCulloch, and Robb English. "Conflicting Objectives: Provincial Licensing Authority and Fresh Start to Consumer Bankrupts." Panel. Annual Review of Insolvency Law Conference. Toronto, ON. February 6, 2015.

Jones, Craig E., and Heather McLeod-Kilmurray. "Class Actions in Toxic Tort." CLEBC Toxic Torts 2015. Vancouver, BC. May 6, 2015.

#### **John Prpić, Business**

Prpić, John, Jean-Francois Lemoine, Prashant Shukla, and Yannig Roth. "A Geography of Participation in IT-Mediated Crowds." Proceedings of the 48th Annual Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences. Kauai, HI. January 5-8, 2015.

## **Journals**

**Isaac Aboagye**, Geography and Environmental Studies, and **John Church**, Natural Resource Sciences  
Aboagye, I.A., J.P. Lynch, J.S. Church, J. Baah, and K.A. Beauchemin. "Digestibility and Growth Performance of Sheep Fed Alfalfa Hay Treated with Fibrolytic Enzymes and a Ferulic Acid Esterase Producing Bacterial Additive." *Animal Feed Science and Technology*. 203 (2015): 53-66.

#### **Wilson Bell**, Philosophy, History, and Politics

Bell, Wilson T. "Sex, Pregnancy, and Power in the Late Stalinist Gulag." *Journal of the History of Sexuality*. 24.2 (2015): 198-224.

#### **Mercedes Cox** (MSc '13), **Wendy Gardner** and **Lauchlan Fraser**, Natural Resource Sciences

Cox, Mercedes, Wendy C. Gardner, and Lauchlan H. Fraser. "A Survey-Based Assessment of Cattle Producers' Adaptation to Climate Change in British Columbia, Canada." *Rangeland Ecology and Management*. 68.2 (2015): 119-130.

#### **Robert Hanlon**, Philosophy, History, and Politics

Hanlon, Robert J. "Capitalism from Below: Markets and Institutional Change in China." *Pacific Affairs*. 88.1 (2015): 165-167.

#### **Charles Hays**, Journalism, Communications, and New Media

Hays, Charles A., Judith A. Spiers, and Barbara Paterson. "Opportunities and Constraints in Disseminating Qualitative Research in Web 2.0 Virtual Environments." *Qualitative Health Research*. (2015): n. pag. Web.

#### **Chris Hunt**, Law

Hunt, Chris D.L. "The Future of Privacy: The Conflict with Free Expression." *Advocate's Quarterly*. 43.4 (2015): 391.

#### **Rod McCormick**, Education

Jin A., C.E. Lalonde, M. Brussoni, R. McCormick, and M.A. George. "Injury Hospitalizations Due to Unintentional Falls among the Aboriginal Population of British Columbia, Canada: Incidence, Changes over Time, and Ecological Analysis of Risk Markers, 1991-2010." *PLOS ONE*. 10.3 (2015): n. pag. Web.

**Blair McDonald**, Journalism, Communications, and New Media

McDonald, Blair. "Freedom of Expression Revisited: Citizenship and Journalism in the Digital Era." *Canadian Journal of Communication*. 40.1 (2015): n. pag. Web.

**Peter Tsigaris**, Economics

Hlouskova, Jaroslava, Panagiotis Tsigaris, Anetta Caplanova, and Rudolf Sivak. "A Behavioural Portfolio Approach to Multiple Job Holdings." *Review of Economics of the Household*. (2015): n. pag. Web.

**Jonathan Van Hamme**, Biological Sciences

Eevers, Nele, Jonathan D. Van Hamme, Eric M. Bottos, Nele Weyens, and Jaco Vangronsveld. "Draft Genome Sequence of *Enterobacter Aerogenes*, a DDE-Degrading and Plant Growth-Promoting Strain Isolated from *Cucurbita Pepo*." *Genome Announcements*. 3.2 (2015): n. pag. Web.

## Chapters

**Craig Jones**, Law

Jones, Craig E. "Taking the 'Fresh Start' Seriously: A Case Comment on Canada (Superintendent of Bankruptcy) v. 407 ETR Concession Company Limited and Moloney v. Alberta (Administrator, Motor Vehicle Accident Claims Act)." *Annual Review of Insolvency Law 2014*. Eds. Janis P. Sarra, and Justice Barbara Romaine. Toronto: Carswell, 2014. 405-416.

## Books

**Tracy Penny Light**, Centre for Student Engagement and Learning Innovation

Penny Light, Tracy, Barbara Brookes, and Wendy Mitchinson, eds. *Bodily Subject: Essays on Gender and Health, 1800-2000*. Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press, 2015. Print.

# Upcoming Events

## May 27-Aug. 19 Garden Tours

Learn more about the plants and garden spaces on campus during free, guided tours provided by members of the TRU Friends of the Gardens. Wednesdays, starting at 6:30 p.m. at House 10.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/05/06/free-tours-of-campus-gardens/>

## June 5 Mike Bartram Memorial Sports Task Force Golf Tournament

Money raised goes towards student athlete awards and scholarships. Entry fee includes lunch, shirt, golf, cart, practice facilities, team photo, on-course food and beverage samples, prizes, and dinner.

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/sports-task-force-golf-tournament>

## **June 10-12 Convocation**

Spring Convocation will be made up of five ceremonies spanning three days at the Tournament Capital Centre.

[www.tru.ca/convocation](http://www.tru.ca/convocation)

## **June 22 Alumni & Friends AGM**

Get a recap of the past year and what the association has planned for the coming one.

<http://www.tru.ca/alumni/events.html>

## **June 29-Aug. 21 EUREKA! Science Camps**

Children ages 7 to 14 will experience week-long camps covering biology, chemistry, physics, engineering, and technology. Includes demonstrations, hands-on activities, university tours, outdoor activities, and games.

<http://www.tru.ca/eureka/summercamp>

## **June 29-Sept. 4 WolfPack Summer Camps**

Choose from a variety of camps for ages 4 to 18, from sport-specific camps to multi-sport.

<http://www.tru.ca/athletics/sportcamps>

## **July 26 Kamloops Marathon**

Various race distances available for everyone, with a portion of funds raised going towards WolfPack Cross Country scholarships.

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/kamloops-marathon>

## **Aug. 8-10 EUREKA! Girls' Weekend Camp at Harper Mountain**

In addition to its regular camps, EUREKA! is offering a special Girls Weekend camp at Harper Mountain this year, for up to 44 girls ages 9-14.

<http://www.tru.ca/eureka/summercamp>

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