

## President's Report

### News

#### Justice Murray Sinclair Lecture

The TRUSU Storytellers Gala and President's Lecture Series jointly presented keynote speaker Justice Murray Sinclair, Commissioner of Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Commission on Oct. 26. His talk addressed the fundamental questions of the six-year commission: what happened in residential schools, who is responsible, and what can we do to assist moving reconciliation forward.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/10/09/justice-sinclair-truth-and-reconciliation/>

#### Fall Convocation

Witnessed by family, friends and members of the TRU community, about 270 new graduates crossed the stage at Fall Convocation on Oct. 16. New Provost and Vice-President Academic **Christine Bovis-Crossen** presided as master of ceremonies. TRU bestowed Professor Emeritus designations upon retired faculty members **Roger Collins** and **Christopher Walmsley**.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/10/08/fallconvocation2015/>



*Professors Emeritus, Christopher Walmsley and Roger Collins.*

#### Fall Open House

Over 300 prospective students and their families toured campus, attended workshops, demonstrations and information sessions, met current students and professors and learned more about TRU programs at the annual Fall Open House on Oct. 17. The event drew the highest participation to date from faculties and program areas, involving nearly every department, and included more than 30 booths at the day-long resource fair.

<http://www.tru.ca/openhouse.html>

#### TRUly United Campaign

Building on last year's successful collaboration between the TRU United Way Committee and the Foundation's Giving Campaign, TRUly United launched Oct. 19 with the goal to raise \$200,000 for student support and the community. The amount raised with new and increased gifts will be matched by the Kelson Group. Ends Nov. 6. <http://www.tru.ca/foundation/giving/employee/truly-united.html>

#### Grant to Study Deadly Bat Disease

Microbiologist **Dr. Naowarat (Ann) Cheeptham** and Adjunct Professor **Dr. Cori Lausen** have been awarded a \$75,000 USD research grant to advance the search for effective biological controls of the fungus that causes White Nose Syndrome, which is decimating North American bat populations.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/09/29/tru-researchers-awarded-75000-grant-to-study-deadly-bat-disease/>

#### Research Day 2015

Faculty members learned about new initiatives including the Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program and the Research Groups and Centres Fund at the third annual Research Day on Sept. 17. The event also showcased the new Research Storyteller video campaign. <http://inside.tru.ca/2015/09/17/research-day-2015-what-is-your-tru-research-story/>

#### Premier's International Scholarship Winner

**Paige Bewley** is enriching her Bachelor of Nursing studies this fall with an exchange in Norway. Now, thanks to the Irving K. Barber BC Scholarship Society, she can immerse herself in her study abroad experience without a financial burden.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/09/21/paige-bewley-premiers-international-scholarship-recipient/>



*Study Abroad Scholarship winner Paige Bewley.*

### WolfPack Scholarship Breakfast

Canadian rower Will Dean, a PanAmerican and Olympian, gave the keynote address at this year's WolfPack scholarship breakfast on Sept. 24. The event raised over \$200,000 for student athlete awards.

### TRU Law Partners with Centrepoint BC

The TRU Faculty of Law signed an agreement on Sept. 17 with Centrepoint BC, the Interiors' first all-inclusive meetings facility designed specifically for conflict resolution.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/09/21/tru-law-partners-with-centrepoint-bc/>

### Business Kickstart Speakers

SOBE's 2015-16 speaker series launched with talks by Bruce Gysel, Associate Vice President Finance at FGL Sports on Sept. 29, and Peter Antturi, President of Anglemont Financial Services on Oct. 26. The talks provide students with insights into career possibilities and an opportunity to network with the local business community.

<http://www.tru.ca/business/news/kickstart.html>

### Microbes Art Us

Works of art by TRU faculty, students and alumni, inspired by and exploring perspectives of microbes from **Dr. Naowarat (Ann) Cheeptham's** drug discovery research, are on display Sept. 21 to Jan. 10 at the Telus World of Science in Vancouver.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/09/22/tru-research-on-display-at-science-world/>



*Over 300 people attended the fourth annual Pride Parade on Oct. 1, including students, faculty, staff, community organizations and Kamloops community members. The event was organized by the TRUSU Equity Committee.*

### Lepin Awards Support Graduate Students

The Ken Lepin Research Graduate Studies Awards and the Ken Lepin Prize of Business Excellence, Entrepreneur & Communication (MBA) were presented to nine outstanding graduate students at a ceremony on Oct. 8.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/10/08/lepin-awards-support-grad-students/>

### Federal Polling Station on Campus

TRUSU was successful in obtaining an on-campus polling station for the federal election on Oct. 19, open to eligible voters living on campus or within the polling area. The station was part of TRUSU's voter participation campaign.

<http://trusu.ca/news/campaigns/on-campus-polling-station/>

### Artwork Unveiled

A painting by Bachelor of Science graduate **Erik Prytula** ('15) was unveiled on Oct. 7 in its new home in the Ken Lepin Science and Health Sciences Building. Called *Taking Flight*, the piece commemorates Prytula's Haida heritage and the journey students take when they come to TRU.

[http://inside.tru.ca/2015/10/08/erikprytula\\_aboriginal\\_painting/](http://inside.tru.ca/2015/10/08/erikprytula_aboriginal_painting/)



*Artist and biology grad Erik Prytula with his painting, Taking Flight.*

### Visitors from Beijing

The Early Childhood Education department and TRU World delivered a very successful two-week professional development program for 25 daycare directors from some of the most prestigious daycares throughout Beijing, Sept. 28 to Oct. 9.

### Alumni and Ale

The second alumni event held in Vancouver, "Alumni and Ale" at the Steamworks Brewpub on Oct. 15 welcomed approximately 50 TRU alumni. More regional alumni events are planned for the near future.

### Lunch with the President

A lunch with the president for new faculty and staff was held on Sept. 29 and Oct. 9.



*Carla Hees, President of the Early Childhood Educators of British Columbia, was an inspirational guest speaker at Laura Doan's Advanced Program Development class of senior ECE students who are becoming student members of the support and advocacy organization.*

## Achievements

**Christine Adam**, Dean of Students, was named Director-At-Large of the Canadian Association of College and University Student Services (CACUSS) for 2015-16, a national non-profit association for student affairs professionals.

**Robert Atwood**, Natural Resource Science grad and president and CEO of Hummingbird Drones Inc., won the Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award from Startup Canada.

**Lea Bucknell**, Visual Arts, has a solo exhibit at the Cube at the Kamloops Art Gallery through Oct. 31, titled *Inherit, Revise, Repeat*. Her work focuses on people's attachment to place.

**Egan Chernoff** (BSc '15), received a Certificate of Outstanding Contribution from the University of British Columbia Faculty of Education and was recognized as one of "Education's 100" alumni, for his contributions to the research, advancement, and promotion of teaching and learning math.

**Irwin DeVries**, Director of Curriculum Development, Open Learning, has been appointed co-editor of the *International Journal of E-Learning and Distance Education*, the journal of the Canadian Network for Innovation in Education.

**Karen Hofmann**, English and Modern Languages, won honourable mention for her story "Vagina Dentata" in *Room Magazine's* 2015 Poetry and Fiction Contest, judged by Shani Mootoo.

**Kamloops Innovation Centre (KIC)** co-won an Entrepreneur Support award from Startup Canada, due in part to its relationship with TRU.

**Colin Madland**, eLearning facilitator, Open Learning, was awarded an Open Educational Resources Research Fellowship from the Open Education Group, supporting research on the impact of OERs.

**Nathan Matthew**, Honorary Doctor of Letters ('06), received a Certificate of Outstanding Contribution as an Indigenous Education Leader from the University of British Columbia Faculty of Education ("Education's 100") for his contributions as a leader in the local, provincial, and national dialogue on self-determination for Aboriginal education.

**Matt Milovick**, VP Administration and Finance, was appointed to the Board of Directors of BCNET, a not-for-profit, shared IT services organization for higher education and research in BC.

## Publications

### PRESENTATIONS

**Tesh Dagne**, Law  
Dagne, Tesh W. "Subsistence of Copyrights over CAD files." 15th Annual Intellectual Property Scholars Conference, DePaul University College of Law. Chicago, IL. August 6-7, 2015.

Dagne, Tesh W. "The Intersections of 3D Printing Technology with Intellectual Property Law." 2nd Annual Conference on Intellectual Property and Information Law, University of Cambridge. Cambridge, MA. July 13-15, 2015.

Dagne, Tesh W. "Geographical Indications and Traditional Knowledge." CIGI International Law Research Program: First Consultation Workshop on Emerging International Law Issues Related to Biodiversity, Traditional Knowledge & Cultural Expression. Toronto, ON. May 14, 2015.

**Cindy James**, Assessment Centre  
James, C.L. "Retesting: The good, the Bad and the Ugly." National College Testing Association 2015 Conference. St. Pete Beach, FL. Sept. 9-12, 2015.

**Stacey Jyrkkanen**, Safety and Emergency Management  
Jyrkkanen, Stacey. "Active Threat Training at Thompson  
Rivers University: Creating a Safe Environment to Learn  
and Work." Provincial Post-secondary Enterprise Risk  
Management Conference. Richmond, BC. Oct. 1-2, 2015.

## REPORTS

**Donna Murnaghan**, Nursing  
Comprehensive School Health Research Group.  
*Developing School-Community Partnerships: Lessons  
Learned from PEI Schools*. Co-PI Donna Murnaghan, Jo-  
Ann MacDonald. Charlottetown: UPEI, 2015. Web.

Comprehensive School Health Research Group. *Building  
Healthy Schools Communities: A Guide for Moving  
Knowledge to Action in Schools*. Co-PI Donna Murnaghan,  
Jo-Ann MacDonald. Charlottetown: UPEI, 2015. Web.

Comprehensive School Health Research Group. *(S)chools  
(A)gainst (C)ancer: Using a (K)nowledge to Action Process  
– Technical Report*. Co-PI Donna Murnaghan, Jo-Ann  
MacDonald. Charlottetown: UPEI, 2015. Web.

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**Tesh Dagne**, Law  
Dagne, Tesh W. "Beyond Economic Considerations: (Re)  
Conceptualizing Geographical Indications for Protecting  
Traditional Agricultural Products." *International Review  
of Intellectual Property and Competition Law* 46.6 (2015):  
682-706.

**Cindy James**, Assessment Centre  
James, C.L. "Evaluating a Retest Policy at a North  
American University." *Journal of the National College  
Testing Association* 1.1 (2015): n. pag. Web.

**Courtney Mason**, Tourism Management  
Adams, Stephen, Courtney W. Mason and Michael A.  
Robidoux. "'If You Don't Want to Get Hurt, Don't Play  
Hockey': The Uneasy Efforts of Hockey Injury Prevention  
in Canada." *Sociology of Sport Journal* 32.3 (2015): 275-  
302.

Mason, Courtney W. "The Banff Indian Days Tourism  
Festivals." *Annals of Tourism Research* 53 (2015): 77-95.

Mason, Courtney W. Rev. of *Game Plan: A Social History  
of Sport in Alberta*, by Karen L. Wall. *Social  
History/Histoire Sociale* 97 (2015): 43-45.

Mason, Courtney W. Rev. of *Mountain Romantics: The  
Whytes of Banff* by Chic Scott. *Canadian Alpine Journal*  
98 (2015): 136-137.

## BOOKS

**George Johnson**, English & Modern Languages  
George M. Johnson. *Mourning and Mysticism in First  
World War Literature and Beyond: Grappling with  
Ghosts*. Houndmills, Basingstoke, UK: Palgrave  
Macmillan, 2015.

## Let's Remember

**Jann Bailey**, Honorary Doctor of Letters ('08), was a  
champion of arts and culture. As the executive director of  
the Kamloops Art Gallery since 1987, she was a co-  
researcher in both the first and second Small Cities  
Community University Research Alliance (CURA) projects  
from 2001 to 2012. She was recognized with a Queen's  
Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2012 for her passion,  
leadership and community involvement.

**Ken Brooks**, IT Services, helped look after over 1,300  
workstations in computer labs spread over six campuses  
in five different communities, serving both students and  
faculty. He was promoted to Supervisor, Lab Support  
Services in 2014. His great sense of humour took centre  
stage on his comedy show on TRU Campus Radio CFBX  
92.5 FM, *The Wing and a Prayer Show*.

## Upcoming Events

### Oct. 27

#### **New Researcher Orientation Breakfast**

Researchers joining TRU within the last five years have an  
opportunity to introduce themselves, discover how the  
Research Office can help advance and promote their  
research, and make connections with colleagues.

### Oct. 28

#### **Career Mentoring: All Faculties**

Students in all faculties have an opportunity to gain  
knowledge and insight into their chosen careers without  
the pressures of an interview.

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

### Oct. 28, Nov. 4, 11, 18 & 25

#### **International Student Career Cafe**

Career Education leads group discussion on career issues  
related to international students, held at Common  
Grounds.

[http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/international-student-career-  
cafe](http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/international-student-career-cafe)

**Oct. 29**

**Live at TRU!: Ensemble Caprice**

The annual Live at TRU! Series launches the 2015-16 season with Ensemble Caprice, performing baroque music on period instruments.

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/live-tru-ensemble-caprice>

**Oct. 29**

**Environmental Sciences Seminar Series: Dr. Dominique Sigg**

Dominique Sigg presents “Invasive Animals in BC: Their Impacts and Management”.

<http://www.tru.ca/science/programs/msces/mscseminar.html>

**Oct. 31**

**Xeriscape Gardening Seminar**

Xeriscaping expert Gwen Steele shares practical information to create a water-wise garden. Sponsored by the Horticulture program and the Thompson Shuswap Master Gardeners Association of BC.

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/xeriscaping-seminar-gwen-steele>

**Nov. 3**

**Career Mentoring: Graduate Studies**

Graduate students have an opportunity to gain knowledge and insight into their chosen careers without the pressures of an interview.

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

**Nov. 4**

**Career Mentoring: Computer Science**

Computer science students have an opportunity to gain knowledge and insight into their chosen careers without the pressures of an interview.

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

**Nov. 5-6**

**Long Night of Procrastination**

Study sessions, tutoring, wellness activities and midnight pizza will be offered during this overnight study event at the main Library.

<http://www.tru.ca/library/lnap.html>

**Nov. 11**

**Remembrance Day**

Campus closed for the statutory holiday.

**Nov. 17**

**Transitions to Postsecondary Day**

Aboriginal high school students from District 73 and area will learn about programs and supports at TRU at the 10th annual event.

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/transitions-day-aboriginal-high-school-students>

**Nov. 17**

**Business Kickstart: Tom Gaglardi**

A conversation with one of Canada’s most successful hospitality and real estate moguls, president of Northland Properties Corp, which owns more than 50 hotels and 140 restaurants in Canada and the UK.

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/business-kickstart-tom-gaglardi>

**Nov. 18**

**Common Voices Lecture Series: Richard Florida**

TRUSU presents urban theorist Dr. Richard Florida, best-selling author of *The Rise of the Creative Class* and director of the Martin Prosperity Institute at the University of Toronto.

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/common-voices-lecture-series-richard-florida>

**Nov. 26**

**Live at TRU!: Gordie MacKeeman and His Rhythm Boys**

Upbeat folk sounds from Prince Edward Island, winners of the 2014 East Coast Music Award for Roots Traditional Group Recording of the Year.

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/live-tru-gordie-mackeeman-and-his-rhythm-boys>

**Nov. 26-28 and Dec. 3-5**

**Actors Workshop Theatre: The Mail Order Bride**

Directed by Heidi Verwey, Alberta playwright Robert Clinton’s story illuminates the struggle many Canadian settlers faced—to find a wife—in a family portrait spanning three generations.

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/actors-workshop-theatre-mail-order-bride>