News

First Step Toward Centre for Ecosystem Reclamation
Genome BC has pledged $250,000 towards the creation of a Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) Industrial Research Chair position at TRU. The chair position will in turn support the creation of a proposed Centre for Ecosystem Reclamation. [Link to announcement]

TRUly United is Supporting our Community
This year’s combined United Way and internal giving campaign Oct. 19 to Nov. 13 raised $189,714 to make a difference in our community. A TRUly United reception with the president on Nov. 26 celebrated donors, concluding with the final prize draw. The winners are:
- Glenn Read—Free Parking for a Semester
- Sherry Murdoch—Extra Vacation Day
- Sandra Trawin—Simply Computing $100 Gift Card

Tourism Students Take First at LinkBC
Bachelor of Tourism Management students won first place at the annual LinkBC Case Competition on Nov. 20—the third year TRU has ranked in the top three. [Link to competition]

Signing with Guangzhou QF
A memorandum of understanding for an articulation agreement was signed with Guangzhou QF Education Investment on Nov. 19 in Beijing, witnessed by Canada’s Ambassador to China, Mr. Guy Saint-Jacques.

Agreement of Cooperation
TRU signed an agreement of cooperation with Dalian Maple Leaf Educational Systems (MLES) on Nov. 20, which will see 20 MLES graduates annually enrol in the Bachelor of Science program, followed by the Bachelor of Education. BEd grads will have employment opportunities in MLES off-shore BC Education Ministry accredited schools, which teach BC Curriculum.

Q & A with Justice Abella
Supreme Court Justice Rosalie Silberman Abella, sole commissioner of the 1984 Royal Commission on Equality in Employment and originator of the term “employment equity”, visited TRU on Nov. 24 for a question period and reception with law students and alumni. [Link]

NorKam Open House
On Nov. 30 the School of Trades and Technology and School District 73 held an open house for students, parents and the community at the NorKam Trades and Technology Centre, which offers dual credit construction and mechanical trade courses to Grade 10 to 12 students through a partnership between the district and TRU.

Fam Tour 2015
TRU World hosts its annual Agent Familiarization Tour Dec. 13-15. A group of 50+ recruiting agents from 16 countries will meet TRU representatives and students and attend training seminars.
Environmental and Natural Resources Law Club students competed at the UBC Environmental Law Group Negotiation.

Law Wins Environmental Case Competition
TRU Law students argued their way to first of 24 teams in the 12th annual UBC Environmental Law Group Negotiation Competition. [link]

Achievements
Computing Science students Mitchell A. Hentges, Jennifer N. Mackie and Sheldon J. Roddick competed at the 2015 ACM-ICPC Pacific North West Programming Contest at SFU Surrey campus on Nov. 14. The team was ranked 22nd out of 75 teams in the Division 2 standings, and 6th among Canadian teams.

Respiratory Therapy students led by Ray Huang and Elyse Yaremco won first place in the Canadian Society of Respiratory Therapists “Best #RTWeek2015” student contest, for promoting and celebrating their profession in the community. CSRT sponsored a pizza party on Nov. 27 for 200 TRU RT students. Also instrumental was Dave Sahedo, who represents all RT students in Canada on the CSRT board.

Institutional Planning and Analysis won the Canadian Institutional Research and Planning Association 2015 Best Practices Award for their project, “Enrolment and Headcount Projections – Forecasting at TRU”, led by Matthew Kennedy.

Jodi Lundgren, English (OL), published her latest young adult novel, Gone Wild (Lorimer 2015), part of the Lorimer SideStreets series of books for reluctant readers.

Let’s Remember
Florian Scharlock, Adventure Studies Department, was an Adventure Guide Diploma alumnus who joined the faculty in 2005, teaching kayaking, swift water rescue, and raft guiding courses. Flo’s students speak of how profoundly his teachings affected them, and their experiences inspired his Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies thesis on the impact of kayaking in shaping students’ sense of self. Flo took “getting outside to play” very seriously, and so many were blessed with the opportunity to do it with him.

Gail Morong, Instructional Design, OL, received funding from Trinidad and Tobago’s Ministry of Multiculturalism and the Arts to publish her children’s book, Lost at Carnival. Copies will be donated to all libraries in Trinidad and Tobago, as well as to a few elementary schools.

Gail Morong, Instructional Design, OL, was unanimously selected by the Canadian Association of University Teachers to become a member of CAUT’s Equity Committee, from among candidates across Canada.

MBA Completion Reception
The School of Business and Economics held a reception celebrating Master of Business Administration graduates on Dec. 4 with students, faculty and staff.

New Rideshare Program
TRU Facilities and the Sustainability office launched the Rideshare program on Nov. 26, a new online carpooling solution for students, faculty and staff. [link]

Lunch with the President
Lunches with the president were held for students on Nov. 12, 24 and 26.
Publications

PRESENTATIONS

Alex Church and Dian Henderson, ESL

Karen Densky, ESL


Joe Dobson, ESL


Joe Dobson and Karen Densky, ESL

Lian Dumouchel, TRU World, and students Alli Buss, Lisa Folk, Simone Grimard, Alexa Morrison & Kenna Sim

Kyra Garson, Student Development


Kyra Garson and Emma Bourassa, Student Development

Kyra Garson, Student Development and Robin Reid, Tourism Management

John Hull, Tourism Management

John Hull and Anne Terweil, Tourism Management

Gail Morong, Instructional Design


Bradford Morse, Law
CHAPTERS
Karen Densky, ESL

BOOKS
Gloria Ramirez, Education

Upcoming Events

Dec. 10–22
Exam Period
Study halls at both the Main and House of Learning Libraries will be open until midnight Dec. 9–21. Take a break at the Stress Free Zone on the first floor of the House of Learning, to Dec. 22.

Dec. 17
President’s Annual Holiday Reception
Join TRU colleagues to celebrate the coming festive season with an afternoon social, 3–5 p.m. at the CAC.

Dec. 24–Jan. 3
Holiday Closure
TRU is closed for the holidays as of 4:30 p.m. on Dec. 23, supporting more environmentally sustainable maintenance of our premises over the holidays.

Jan. 14–16
Philosophy, History & Politics Conference
Explore the past and present at the 9th annual student-organized PHP undergraduate conference.
http://www.tru.ca/phpconf.html

Jan. 14
Business Kickstart Speaker Series
Marty Dohm and Richard Weir speak about rising to the top of Vancouver’s ultra-competitive commercial real-estate market.

Jan. 28
Career Mentoring: Pan-campus 411
Students and alumni have an opportunity to network with over 40 mentors from various disciplines.
http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/career-mentoring-pan-campus-networking-411

Happy Holidays! Planning to send out TRU greeting cards this season? Marketing and Communications has created six different card designs that you can order through Print Services—or send a free, paperless e-greeting. View print and email greeting card options at http://www.tru.ca/marcom/resources.html#seasonal