

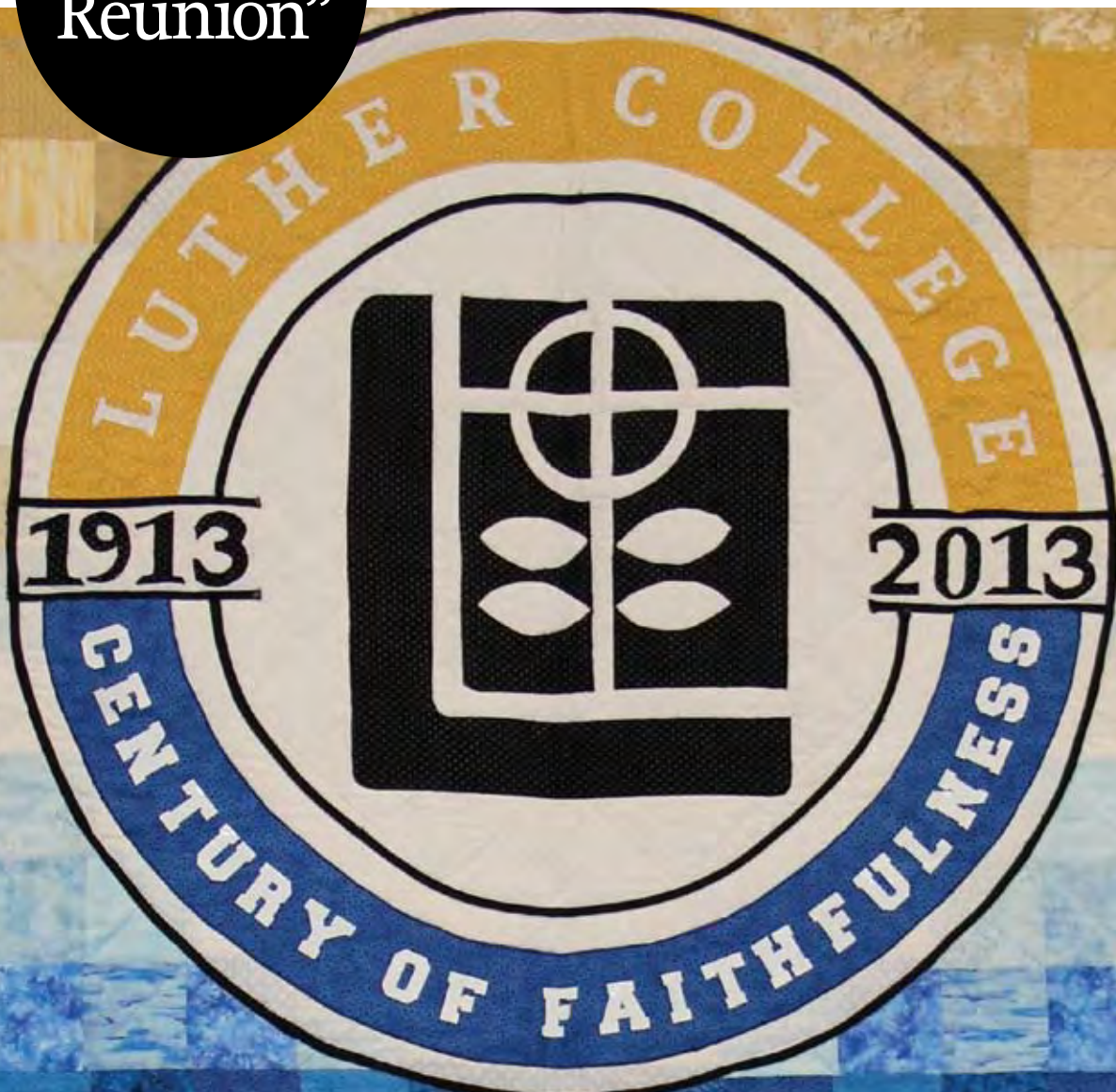
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message from the editor

It is hard to believe that Luther's centennial celebration has already come and gone. As the 100th Anniversary liaison, the planning of the weekend was on my mind both day and night over the last year and a half (a fact that my husband can attest to) and I can honestly say that it wasn't until a week after the event that I finally stopped having nightmares about not having enough room or food at the banquet.

Looking back, the weekend celebration reminded me of my wedding: utter chaos, worrying about that everything was ready with the last minute details completed literally minutes before the big day, running here and there once the big day arrived, being surrounded by family and friends (many of whom I did not know were even in attendance until I saw the pictures afterwards), good food, good music, lots of laughter, a few tears, and a room full of love.

Without the dedication, enthusiasm and determination of the committee members and assistants, Luther College's "family reunion" would not have run as smoothly as it did. These individuals demonstrated their commitment to, and love of, the College and I am now more than ever proud to say that I am part of the Luther family. Please make sure that you visit page 33 to see the complete list of committee members, assistants and volunteers who helped make Luther's 100th Anniversary a success.

I leave you now with a few of my favourite moments captured during the weekend when over 650 alumni, faculty, staff and friends of Luther College came together to celebrate a century of faithfulness.



Michelle Clark (U'04)
Senior editor of *The Luther Story*



1. Michelle Clark (U'04) and Kevin Gooding (HS'88, U'93) still standing at the Presidents' Brunch on Sunday.
2. Dr Martin E Marty at the 38th Annual Luther Lecture on Thursday.
3. Jack Bowen and David Kaiser at the 38th Annual Luther Lecture on Thursday.
4. LCHS student, Jeffrey Fitzpatrick, at the Lions football game on Thursday.
5. Karen (Larsen) Franchetto (HS'90) with her daughter at the Presidents' Brunch on Sunday.



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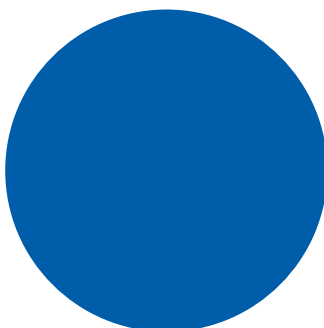
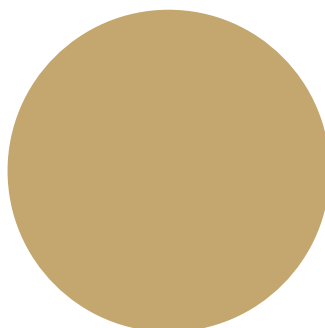
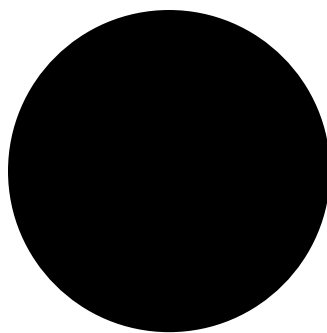
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Dick Stark, former faculty member and Russ Husum (HS'72, U'76),
alumnus and former faculty member.

Cover image: 100th Anniversary quilt made by Joanne Hillis.

message from the pulpit



Our two chaplains share this issue's column, reflecting on their experiences serving on the planning committee for our 100th Anniversary celebrations.

Pastor Larry and Pastor Cheryl at the closing service on Sunday 13 October 2013.

Pastor Cheryl:

One of the biblical metaphors used to describe the Christian community is that we are the body of Christ, a visible expression of Christ's life in this time and place. During the 100th Anniversary celebrations, I saw the body of Christ visible in the community. At the Saturday morning brunches, former students talked about the formative experiences they had and the powerful care they received at Luther. In the Archives room, people pored over old photographs and memorabilia as friends and colleagues were remembered. I realised we are a body of people joined across decades and campuses by a common bond and a common heritage—a heritage rooted in the vision of Christians who built a school to better their community one hundred years ago. That community, the body of Christ, took shape in the Sunday

afternoon closing worship service.

Old and new students, current and retired staff and faculty sang and listened and prayed together. The talents God has nurtured, the faithfulness God has given, the generosity God has inspired could all be seen in the hundreds of people worshipping together. When the Lord's Prayer was said in some of the many languages that are part of the current Luther community I could hear how global Christ's body—and the Luther family—has become. The multiplicity of languages told me that God, who is faithful, is always calling us beyond what we know to what we can become. Who knows what the next hundred years will bring!

Pastor Cheryl Toth

Pastor Cheryl Toth
Chaplain, University campus

Pastor Larry:

The last few months leading up to the anniversary weekend, when planning turned to actually needing to get the work done, seemed onerous. Martin Marty concluded his opening lecture with a reminder from Martin Luther about the Christian ethic, that life is not about "you gotta" but "you get to," that an important anniversary is an opportunity to recognise grace received. Looking back, now that the work is over, it was an honour to "get to" help shape some of the weekend.

As we planned around our theme "Century of Faithfulness," it seemed important to us to emphasise God's faithfulness over our human efforts and successes. However, a highlight for me was experiencing the wonderful creative work that was commissioned or assigned for the weekend. The various

works produced helped move us beyond simply reminiscing to reinforcing our College's purpose and mission. I was reminded that excellence inspires and motivates, thankful that I "get to" create and work alongside faithful colleagues.

In our preparation, we looked through a lot of pictures from the early years. One of my favourites is the 1926 photo of the dedication of the main building in Regina. This classic brick building against the backdrop of prairie, model T's, and newly planted trees seems to capture a hope and optimism of that day, and that our anniversary weekend generated for me, and I hope, for others.

Larry Fry

Pastor Larry Fry
Chaplain, High School campus

message from the president



Karla (HS'09),
Bryan (U'78), Joanne and
Erin (HS'09) Hillis at the
Celebration Banquet on
Saturday evening at the
100th Anniversary.

I was so glad that the editorial committee of the *Luther Story* decided to devote this issue to the 100th Anniversary celebrations held this past Thanksgiving weekend in Regina. And I was even more intrigued by the 'family' theme that was decided upon for this largely pictorial review of that weekend. A good celebration deserves some reminiscing and a chance for 'family' to share pictures.

The metaphor of 'family' has not always been the most popular metaphor for the sense of community at Luther College. First, while most if not all of us who work here consider our employment more of a vocation than merely a job, and while most of us truly enjoy the company of our fellow staffers, the fact is that there is nothing closer than family, the ones you have chosen and the ones you have inherited. Secondly, families do have their problems and we all know that when that happens, the problems really do turn our lives around. Finally, family is kind of an existential entity that simply exists and is what it is while we at Luther are all focussed on what matters most in the education of our students. So family is not necessarily a term that all of us have embraced for how we understand Luther College.

But there is something special about Luther College that makes it much more than a place to be educated or to live in residence or experience new things or simply to work. And we saw that in abundance at our 100th Anniversary celebrations. It really was a reunion of sorts with as many of the family returning as possible, with others not able to come because of other commitments and still others deciding not to come because so-and-so wasn't going to be there. If that doesn't sound like your family, it sure sounds like mine.

But like a good family reunion, we also saw a whole lot of people very happy to see one another. We saw new friends being made and reminiscing abounding. We saw alumni from long ago past meeting and visiting with the more recent graduates. We saw people making connections and enjoying shared memories as portrayed in our archive room or in the commissioned poem, music or book. We also know that there was a whole host of people behind the scenes who had planned and imagined and who worked hard during the weekend, simply for the sake of the family, er, College. And like one of the very important things I learned at Luther College from a former chaplain, we saw God at work in relationships, old

relationships renewed, and new ones formed.

I am extremely grateful not only to all the volunteers who put in so many hours to ensure the weekend ran as smoothly as it did but I'm at least as grateful to all those who came back to celebrate and the many well-wishers who told us they wanted to attend but couldn't. I'm also grateful for the efforts and dedication of so many in the past who worked through so many difficult times to keep this College prospering so that all these relationships could be formed and maintained and renewed and some even found for the first time. While the family metaphor may be imperfect, the recognition that God works through relationships, of those near and far, of those past and present, was very obvious to me at our 100th Anniversary celebrations. I am grateful to all of you who make up Luther College; I'm grateful to our Maker and Redeemer for enabling those relationships to flourish so that we can see God at work in our lives and in our College.

Bryan Hillis (U'78), PhD
President, Luther College

Family Reunion 100th Anniversary celebration

By Trudy Kennedy

Thursday 10 October 2013

Luther Lions Tailgate Party and Football Game

A 250-strong flock of football fans and supporters took to the grounds outside Mosaic Stadium for an afternoon tailgate party prior to the Luther Lions vs O'Neill Titans match. The Conservatory of Arts Pipe Band made an appearance, (with High School student Brenna Smith a featured performer) and school spirit was infectious, with many students (both past and present) outfitted in Luther wear and various ensembles featuring black and gold. Tailgate attendees – many of whom sported custom face paint and carried signs – enjoyed food and drinks dispensed by Luther faculty and staff, and the party marked a celebratory starting point for the camaraderie and cohesion that shone through the rest of the anniversary weekend. The arrival of the familiar black and gold garnered huge cheers from the supporters, and

soon the game began, with the Luther's fan contingent greatly outnumbering those supporting the Titans. As Vince Lombardi put it, "winning isn't everything, but wanting to win is," and that was true of the Lions, who were defeated on the scoreboard, but not in attitude.

Luther Lecture

The crowd filtered slowly past the registration table, and were directed to settle in rows reserved for anniversary participants. As registrants entered, many took tentative steps toward faces perhaps unseen for decades, looking to recognise the long-ago in an auditorium preparing to hold students both old and new, returning and current, and other interested parties for whom the annual Luther Lecture promises topical, contemporary thought.

Preparing to speak was Dr Martin E Marty, who had last visited Regina in 1978 to deliver what was the second

Luther Lecture. The room was ripe with reconnection; hands were extended, brief embraces exchanged, and acknowledgements spanned across rows more frequently as the auditorium filled. By the time the doors closed and the introductions began, the 200-seat auditorium was at capacity.

Lauded for his remarkable academic and professional achievements, Dr Marty spoke to an audience representing a cross-section of all who have been, and are now, Luther College: a range of alumni, current students, past and present faculty, as well as family members and friends. Discussing the contemporary value of a liberal arts education, Dr Marty's material was timely and relevant to young and old, and current students were threaded among the returning alumni. Behind his lectern hung a stunning Luther College centenary quilt, resplendent in

patiently-stitched Luther blue, white, gold, and black. Created for the centenary by Joanne Hillis, wife of president Bryan Hillis (U'78), it provided an ideal backdrop. Approached at the Saturday banquet about her much-admired creation, Joanne was modest and wanted no fanfare, but the quilt proved a popular centrepiece for

numerous alumni personal photos.

Post-lecture, Luther's halls were teeming and alive with greetings, embraces, chatter, and much laughter. Servers negotiated their way through the throngs with trays of appetizers, and it was well past 10:00 pm when the last attendees departed into the crisp

evening air, many having made plans to reconnect during the weekend's activities.

Thank you to Jeannette Kuiper, Nora Marpole and Sherri Andrews, all faculty members at Luther College High School, for taking pictures of the 100th Anniversary celebration. All photos in this issue were taken by Jeannette, Nora or Sherri unless otherwise indicated.



TAILGATE PARTY/FOOTBALL

1. Mark Anderson, High School principal, and Mike Stobbs, Head of food services, serving hot dogs at the tail gate.
2. The Conservatory of Arts Pipe Band performing for the growing crowd.
3. Luther and O'Neill fans cheering on their teams.
4. Luther Lions and O'Neill Titans in action.

LUTHER LECTURE

5. Dr Martin E Marty lecturing on the artful liberation of the university and practical education for the common good.
6. Standing room only for the lecture.
7. John Kurtz, Dr Martin E Marty and Dr Arthur Krentz, former University faculty member, engrossed in conversation.

Friday 11 October 2013

The temperature outside was dropping by 6:00 pm, but the Queensbury Centre registration table provided warm welcome to those who had arrived from near and far to unite once again. Following some five years of diligent preparation by a volunteer committee, the social evening was really a gathering of connected rooms intended to encourage a relaxed atmosphere. Performances by Luther alumni Shane Reoch (HS'86), Ben Hognestad (HS'69), Peter Tiefenbach (HS'77), and Dennis Hendricksen's Ministry of Groove as well as Regina guitar legend, (brother of Gavin Semple HS'63), Jack Semple, created a laid-back, jazz-infused theme that entertained the various groups of returning graduates.

Once past the grand lobby, attendees were free to visit various rooms within the complex. Ensnared in one was the Archive and Photo room, replete with all things football, basketball, soccer, and other sports memorabilia, including the famed LIT trophy. Framed posters and photo collages featuring kaleidoscopes of student life (musicals, clubs, chapel, as well as faculty and staff) were nestled amid interactive media, and the vintage clothing and jackets, old yearbooks, and back issues of *Tatler* proved popular draws. Next door, a photo booth provided opportunity for long-

lost friends and classmates to capture the thrill of being together again.

Given that Luther means so many things to so many people, it was understandable that this first all-inclusive gathering brought out a mix of emotions as varied as the attendees. Some people jumped into the fray without hesitation, yet many were shy and reserved upon arrival, scanning the crowd hesitantly for familiar faces. As people moved within the lobby and large salon, the hum of voices was often punctuated with shrieks and embraces; a stray tear or two was shed in several instances as long-ago friendships and feelings were resurrected in an instant.

High School graduate Gertie Sesula (HS'46) went into health care after Luther, graduating from nursing school in 1949. Asked what she liked about her Luther experience, she replied without hesitation, "the whole thing. We grew up in the Lutheran church, but we could only take up to Grade 10 [while living on a farm] in Waldeck, near Swift Current." Both she and her brother boarded at Luther, and she spoke fondly of her dorm mate, with whom she kept in touch for many years.

The mood was jovial and the camaraderie readily apparent as the Class of 1963 gathered

to trade stories and renew acquaintances in a special salon. Though a 50th high school class reunion is traditionally held each year, the alumni of this anniversary year were a gathering within a gathering, as they came together during the centenary to salute their special year. "English class was very good with Fred Wagner; make sure and mention his name," said one gentleman, who stood with a still-dear friend from days gone by. Both men had flown across the continent to attend the weekend, and celebrating their 50th was clearly meaningful, as they stood back from the busy inner tables and took it all in.

Dr Sharon Gabert (HS'63, HSU'64), originally from the town of Gray, Saskatchewan, told the story of her parents being afraid to let her and her friends "loose in the big city," and so the decision was made to put them "into a Protestant boarding school." She and her three friends from those bygone years reunited as though years hadn't parted them, and they happily posed for a group photo at Saturday night's festivities.

Gowned in black trimmed with Luther gold, Senior High School Choir members joined the Luther Bach choir in the hallway, readying themselves to perform Noel Chevalier and Jason Cullimore's (HS'90) rooth

Anniversary piece, *Faithfulness* in the large ballroom, which – despite its size – was warmly lit and inviting. Paying further homage to Luther's 100th was poet laureate Gerald Hill, reading his 100th Anniversary poem, *Pastors Turning Sod* and Dr Richard Holdern introducing his anniversary commemorative book, which was available in the lobby across from the Lions' Den merchandise. Friday night

also marked the debut of must-have centenary jewellery by alumna Rachel Mielke (HS'98) of the flourishing Hillberg & Berk jewellery company. Luther merchandise sales were brisk, with everything from a special coin, a stuffed Luther lion, and vintage-crested sweaters flying off the tables.

As the night progressed, the crowd's mood shifted to one of

greater mirth and ease, as the years – or the decades – began to fade away and the shared Luther experience encouraged cohesion.



FRIDAY WELCOME RECEPTION

1. Leslie De Mars, High School faculty member, Amanda Fischer, University staff member, and Melinda De Mars at the Registration Desk.
2. Luther College High School Senior and Luther Bach Choirs performing *Faithfulness*.
3. Hillberg & Berk founded by alumna Rachel Mielke (HS'88) was selling limited edition 100th Anniversary jewellery. Over \$2,100 was donated to the Luther Community Bursary from weekend sales.

4. Dr Cynthia Saruk and Dr George Maclean (HS'57, HSU'58) enjoying the Archive and Photo room.
5. Noel Chevalier, and Jason Cullimore (HS'90) introducing *Faithfulness*.
6. Dr Richard Holdern, University professor and past president, speaking about surprises he found when researching the history book.
7. Gerald Hill, University English professor, reciting *Pastors Turning Sod*, the commissioned Anniversary poem.

8. Carolyn (Pantel) Lakustiak Kitz (HS'63), Ronald Shirkey (HS'63) and Gavin Semple (HS'63) at the 50th high school class reunion. For the class of 1963, Gavin Semple not only organised the group but hosted a special reception, complete with pictures dating from the 1960s and an open microphone time where alumni traded stories and memories of their time together 50 years ago.
9. Alumni enjoying the musical performances in the Coffee House room.

Saturday 12 October 2013

Hockey Tournament

Donning Luther jerseys made just for the occasion, approximately forty players headed to the Brandt Centre for a rousing return to the ice. Though the school has long hosted an annual alumni hockey tournament during the Christmas holidays, the occasion of Luther's centennial warranted dedicated rink time made even more meaningful by being held at the Brandt Centre. Former players from as far back as the 60s and 70s held their ground against younger and even current players and staff, and their skills earned appreciation from nearly 100 spectators. As this was the first alumni hockey tournament held on WHL-level ice, the significance added additional meaning to the raucous regrouping of former and current Luther players. Off the ice by 1:00 pm, players and their families and friends gathered upstairs for a social, where this once-in-a-lifetime rink reunion celebrated rekindled friendships and the chance to lace up their skates once more. Many alumni expressed great appreciation for the chance to play again – albeit briefly – for Luther High School.

Volleyball Game

Reconnecting with alumni over drinks or a meal is one thing, but it's quite another when teams from the past take on the current Luther senior girls' volleyball

squad for king's court, back-to-back play. Saturday morning, some thirty former Luther players reconvened to give their all to a sport acutely missed despite the years away from the centre line. While some returning groups were rustier than others, it was clear by the effort expended (dives were taken and limbs stayed intact) and the visible joy that team spirit hadn't waned. The Luther Senior Girls' team not only hosted the players, but sought out past team members and extended invitations to regroup in what is hoped will become an annual event.

While the games weren't about winning, the present senior roster had to sweat to fend off a team from five years ago. The familiar court brought out players' parents, friends, and even children to the sidelines, cheering on women who had spent hundreds of hours there honing their serving skills. Returning stars took this nostalgic final chance, alongside their current counterparts, to play in the current gym (now known as the Merlis Belsher Heritage Centre), which will retire as home to volleyball once the new facility opens in 2014. Lots of hugging, high-fiving, and genuine heart were evident before, during, and after the games, proof enough that love of the game – and for each other – continues long after the bumps and sets are over.

BRUNCHES AT LCHS AND LCUR

Luther High School Saturday Brunch

A somewhat unexpected, yet truly meaningful, surprise to organisers and staff was discovering how many alumni wanted to revisit the experience of eating cafeteria food. Though the anniversary weekend featured a sophisticated soiree, entertainment, and a gala banquet in the elegant Queensbury Centre salons, former students eagerly descended one more time into the somewhat dated, dimly-lit basement cafeteria, arriving by the hundreds. Within the limited space, some 400 meals were served to hungry alumni and current students alike, and the kitchen required all hands on deck to make it happen. The facility was standing room only, with many more choosing to head off campus upon encountering the shoulder-to-shoulder masses.

University Brunch

Nearly 40 university alumni gathered to enjoy brunch, which was held in Thorn Hall (formerly the Luther Library), and were encouraged during the meal to speak freely of their experiences and particular memories. Several former students became quite emotional recalling their university days at Luther College, and the school's deep

meaning to them both then and now. While a number of returning students had lived off-campus, all spoke of Luther as being home at that pivotal time in their lives.

President's Tea

Current Luther College president Bryan Hillis (U'78) and his wife Joanne welcomed anniversary guests to reminisce and socialise within the charming President's House, located directly across from the High School. Constructed in the 1930s, the handsome Foursquare-style

home features a brick exterior and bay window consistent with the architecture of the time, and its interior is resplendent with a fireplace, original wood trim and formal wallpapers, gleaming floors, and many other period touches. Perhaps now considered small when compared to today's frequently sprawling homes with multi-car garages, the President's House harkens back to a simpler time when good conversation was the central focus of any gathering. In the spirit of yesteryear, visitors enjoyed dainties

made by Joanne Hillis as they gathered to mingle with old friends and enjoy a respite from the pomp and bustle of the weekend's larger events. Past president Dr Morris Anderson regaled everyone with stories of his life at Luther, with others adding their own memories of meaningful years spent on campus.



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HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

1. 100th Anniversary hockey tournament alumni and LCHS student participants.
2. Alumni vs LCHS students in action at the hockey tournament.

VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

3. 100th Anniversary volleyball tournament alumni, students, and staff participants including volleyball coach, Ruthy Glasser (back row). Angela Tillier, High School faculty member, & Ann Johnson organised the volleyball tournament.
4. Alumni and students playing in the Merlis Belsher Heritage Centre in front of a crowd of Anniversary participants.

LCHS BRUNCH

5. Over 400 Luther alumni, faculty, staff and friends attended the Saturday brunch at the High School. Photo by Paul Ramsay (HS'91).
6. Marilyn and Dr Don Lee, board member and past president, looking at displays in the main hallway at the High School.

LCUR BRUNCH

7. Over 40 Luther alumni, faculty, staff and friends attended brunch on Saturday at the University.

Saturday 12 October 2013

SCHOOL TOURS

High School

A brilliant sunny day greeted visitors to the High School campus. The huge circular flowerbed showed off its remaining blossoms, with bicolour petunias and cosmos standing resilient and almost regal as they welcomed returning students, faculty, and family members. The parking lot was full, with some returning graduates intent on taking tours. A large number gathered for the play. Still others ambled across the grounds, no doubt recalling simpler times in lives that grew complicated and complex all too quickly.

While tours of the new construction were taking place, a school tour mixed two male '81 grads with a '65 attendee, all of whom paused more than a few times to recall aloud – often to themselves, unaware they were audible – individual memories and experiences. Led by current faculty member Gail Fry, the tour wound its way through every occupied floor, with the men recalling where certain doors used to be, and identifying additions and even where walls had been relocated. With impish grins, both fellows recalled significant knowledge of the girls' dorm floor layout; though current dorm residents allowed the briefest peek into

their private spaces, it was clear the tour group preferred recalling their own halcyon days of trips to Moon's Confectionary and their time growing up at Luther.

University

While several former students chose to self-guide their way around, just two former Luther College University students requested a formal tour, yet their backstory is as poignant as perhaps any heard over the weekend. Still happily together decades after first meeting as residence students, they recalled encountering each other initially as each was entering the cafeteria for a meal. They were keen to see the dorms in their current state, as well as remember their Luther University campus experience through strolling its campus.

Play

The Luther gymnasium (now the Merlis Belsher Heritage Centre) seated a full house for the debut of alumnus James Ostime's (HS'01, U'06) play *One Hundred Years*. Commissioned specifically to mark the centenary, the play featured current Luther High School students performing, in large part, for their predecessors. Yet the material transcended the decades to reach a common ground and shared experiences. Much laughter and no small amount of nostalgic feelings

greeted the actors' lines, with monologues recalling what Luther meant from the viewpoints of a rural transplant, a foreign student, and a local student. Everyone related to a pep rally and the school cheer, and most chuckled at the inside jokes about parking lot improvements and other campus idiosyncrasies. Though comprised of all ages and including staff and some current students, audience members seemed to readily identify with and appreciate the material.

Several members in the audience admittedly became choked up by the material depicted onstage. "It could have been me up there," one gentleman remarked, and perhaps that best underscores the continuum and unique connection between former and present members of the Luther family.

Banquet

The more formal banquet evening hosted a decidedly more diverse crowd; though attire encompassed everything from sequined dresses to skinny jeans and ties, attendees moved with greater ease through the crowd, which numbered nearly 700. Much laughter and excited chatter filled the main banquet room, and people filtered to the Archive and Photo Room, browsed the Lion's Den merchandise, snapped up

signed copies of the anniversary centennial book, and engaged with others as they awaited the night's festivities.

Rev Cindy Halmarson, Bishop of the Saskatchewan Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC), asked the blessing and, after a superb meal, guests were greeted by Russ Marchuk, Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Education, Rev Susan C Johnson, National Bishop, (ELCIC) and Dr Bryan Hillis (U'78), President of Luther College. President Hillis noted in his remarks that at least one distinguishing feature of

Luther College are its alumni whose presence at the 100th are a demonstration of the College's vitality. He also noted that the generosity of Gavin Semple (HS'63) in providing Queensbury Downs as a venue helped keep costs for the event low, including and especially the banquet.

Performances were provided by skilled piano duo, David Kim and Christine Lee, and singer Jordanne Erichsen. Well-loved *Corner Gas* series star Brent Butt embraced both emcee and feature performer duties, and commanded a rapt audience

with a routine that became funnier as he went along. Entertainment continued throughout the evening, and the night was frequently punctuated by groups hugging and capturing keepsake photos. Lively conversation and the comfort of renewed ties kept most lingering at Queensbury until quite late. While the years-in-the-planning undertaking was nearing its end, those who bade it goodbye will surely relive the memories in the months and years to come.



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CONSTRUCTION TOURS

1. Construction tour inside the new gym at the High School by board member Mike Fritzler (HS'88).

PLAY

2. The final scene with all cast members of *One Hundred Years* by James Ostime (HS'01, U'06).
3. Opening scene of *One Hundred Years* by High School students Jacob Tamlin, Daniel Whittle, Kaylee Healey and Philip Pitura (Photo by High School student, Scofield Cai).

BANQUET

4. A view of the celebration banquet on Saturday night before the official program began.
5. David Kim and Christine Lee, a duo of current Grade 10 and 11 students at Luther College High School, performing *Sonata for Piano, Four-Hands in D Major, K 381* by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

6. Jordanne Erichsen, a vocal performance student in her fourth year of Luther College at the UofR, performing *Quel guardo il Cavalier* by Donizetti from *Don Pasquale*.

Sunday 13 October 2013

Presidents' Brunch

The Luther gymnasium – “the nerve centre of the college,” as described by past president Dr Morris Anderson during his remarks – welcomed the crowd to gather in a more sedate, contemplative way. Alumni filed past the iconic gym doors one last time to greet fellow classmates, family members, and friends and all were seated at round tables that dotted the floor. Following grace, a hearty meal, and good conversation, the five former Luther presidents (Dr Bruce Perlson, Dr Richard Hordern, Dr Don King, Dr Don Lee, and Dr Morris Anderson) took to the podium to reflect on their individual eras at the school. At times the comments were wistful and even tender, but often they were amusing and engaging as the past presidents – and the crowd gathered before them – remembered the past with fondness.

Gathered together on this sun-lit, yet brisk day were a great variety of people who, with Luther as their base point, had moved to a variety of occupations, stages, and stations in life. Still the closeness of all was palpable. In a fitting testament to the weekend's success in bringing together the Luther family and strengthening bonds between them, alumni appeared comfortable and relaxed as they grouped and posed for myriad photos on

the lawn, in front of the gym, and everywhere in between. One final photo saw dozens of current and former faculty and staff wrap around the Luther College sign, smiling faces radiating warmth against the decidedly cooler weather. As most buttoned coats and proceeded toward Christ Lutheran Church, many a head turned to take a final glance at a school cherished now all the more.

Closing Service

Trailing a cross held aloft, past and current Luther presidents filed to the front of Christ Lutheran Church. The pews were full; the robed Luther College Senior High School choir gathered across from the 100th Anniversary Alumni and Friends and Luther Bach choirs to lift their voices in song. The service offered a contemplative close to a weekend of reunion and remembrance. In a service organised and led by Pastor Cheryl Toth and Pastor Larry Fry, along with special guests National Bishop Susan Johnson and Saskatchewan Bishop Cindy Halmarson, this final anniversary event was a blend of all that is Luther College: fellowship, worship, community, inclusion, and service. The service included readings, guest musicians, and a final opportunity for Luther's presidents to express their continued devotion to

the Luther community. In a nod to Luther's international population, the Lord's Prayer was spoken first in English and then repeated by members of the congregation in the several languages currently spoken by the Luther student body.

As the recessionary hymn played and those gathered in worship departed, so too did the anniversary weekend. Its emotion and experiences were at times visibly overwhelming for some, cathartic for others, but the joy of renewed comradeship and a return to stoke the fire of memory was evident. Several alumni seemed reluctant to leave, and stayed a few minutes longer until Thanksgiving Sunday plans beckoned and all took their leave. Each participant tucked away a collage of new memories to overlap what was then with what is now. Each attendee pieced together their own patchwork quilt, choosing what resonated for each of them with that which they remembered and heard from others.

In Luther's capable hands, tomorrow's students will continue to achieve and carry on the spirit in which Luther College was founded on the barren Melville prairie a century ago.



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BRUNCH WITH THE PRESIDENTS

1. Past and current faculty and staff of Luther College.
2. Erin Hillis (HS'09) and Karla Hillis (HS'09) provided the ambiance as everyone arrived for the brunch.
3. Current and past presidents of Luther College: (L-R) Dr Bryan Hillis (U'78), Dr Bruce Perlson (HS'62, HSU'63), Dr Richard Hordern, Dr Don King, Dr Don Lee, and Dr Morris Anderson.
4. A crowd of almost 300 enjoying memories and stories of past presidents.

CLOSING SERVICE

5. Procession entering the Christ Lutheran Church.
6. All smiles before the Closing Service: Rev Cindy Halmarson, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada Bishop of the Saskatchewan Synod; Rev Dr Franz Volker Greifenhagen, Academic dean and Professor of Religion at Luther College at the University of Regina; Rev Susan C Johnson, National Bishop, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada; Rev Larry Fry, chaplain, Luther College High School; and Rev Cheryl Toth, chaplain, Luther College at the University of Regina.
7. Alumni and friends Choir performing *Great is Thy Faithfulness*.

PHOTO ALBUM

1. High School girls dorm friends at Friday's Welcome Reception: Elaine Zinkhan-Turnbull (HS'64), Dr Sharon Gabert (HS'63, HSU'64), Gaille Andrews Buckely (HS'63), and Marilyn Lane Mol (HS'63). **2.** Shirley (Siver) Harris (HS'55) and Eleanor Rutherford (HS'53) at the Celebration Banquet on Saturday evening (photo by Gordon Shepherd (HS'47)). **3.** Rev Daranne Harris (HS'95), Elizabeth Cherland (HS'97) and Marja Hordern (HS'98) in front of the President's House on Sunday

afternoon (photo by Jan Schmidt). **4.** Ron Schramm (HS'49) and Gordon Shepherd (HS'47) partaking in the campus tours at the High School on Saturday afternoon (photo by Eleanor Rutherford (HS'53)). **5.** Stuart Dalglish (HS'81), Curtis Kemp (HS'81), Curtis Gill (HS'81), and Jim Weinbender (HS'81) at the Welcome Reception on Friday evening (photo by Mrs Weinbender)). **6.** Drew Hunter (HS'06), Bennet Misskey (HS'06), Keenan Guenzel (HS'06), Vaughn Rice (HS'06), Jonathan Misskey (HS'06), and Robert Fry

(HS'06) on Saturday evening at the Celebration Banquet (photo by Eunice Misskey)). **7.** Emily Wenarchuk, Heather (Christiansen) Wenarchuk (HS'87), Jeff Christiansen (HS'84, U'90), Matthew Wenarchuk, Dave Wenarchuk, and Barbara Christiansen at the Presidents Brunch on Sunday morning (photo by Kristine Korven (HS'88)). **8.** Jim and Janet Dale and Pat and Dr Don King on Sunday morning at the Presidents' Brunch (photo by Kristine Korven (HS'88)).



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9. Carol (Brown) Korven (HS'62), Gary Korven (HS'61), and Terry Gordon (HS'59) outside the High School on Sunday afternoon (photo by Gary Fitz (HS'58)). **10.** Dr Morris Anderson and Paul Antrobus, former University faculty member, visiting at the Welcome Reception on Friday evening. **11.** Jon Graf, High School faculty member, and High School students Courtney Harlos, Rachel Niemegers, Jenna Broderick and Amanda Yeager getting ready for Thursday afternoon's tailgate party. **12.** Benjamin Cherland (HS '01), Meredith

Cherland, Elizabeth Cherland (HS '97), and Carl Cherland taking advantage of the Photo Booth room on Friday evening (photo by Daniel Uhrich (HS'01, U'06)).

13. Alison Keramati, High School staff member, Amir Keramati and Natahsa Phillipson helping out at the Lion's Den at Friday evening's Welcome Reception.

14. Ravi Abraham (HS'69), Jeanne (HS'70), Sharilyn Woloschuk (HS'69), and Dawn (Cook) Criddle (HS'69) at the Celebration Banquet on Saturday evening. **15.** Watson Sisters outside of the High School on Sunday

afternoon: Violet (Watson) Rees (HS'56), Charlotte Watson (HS'51), and Joy (Watson) Deering (HS'57) (photo by Terry Gordon (HS'59)).



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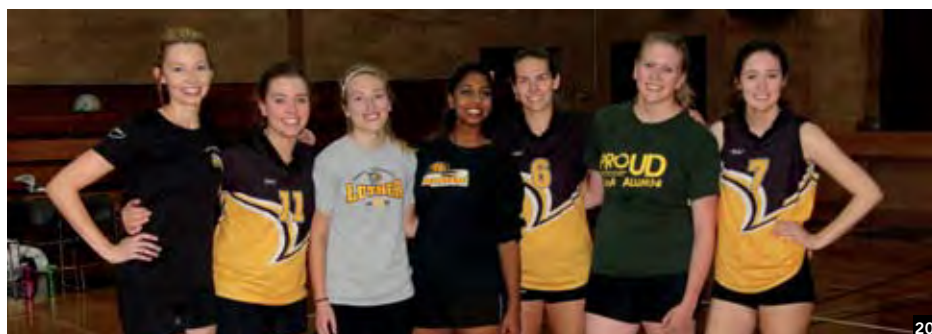


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16. High School alumni volleyball tournament participants: (L-R) Megan Gilewich (HS'12), Mackenzie Reynolds (HS'12), Catherine Schulte (HS'12), Shivaun Eberle (HS'12), Danielle Wellman (HS'01), and Mira van Burck (HS'12). **17.** Shane Lightfoot (HS'88), Chris Dodson (HS'88, U'93), Kristine Korven (HS'88), Sara (James) Hanson (HS'88, U'96), Charlene Banjac (HS'88, U'98) and Mike Fritzler (HS'88) outside the Coffee House room on Friday evening. **18.** Presidents

and First Ladies of Luther College: (L-R) Betty and Dr Morris Anderson, Marilyn and Dr Don Lee, Pat and Dr Don King, Nancy and Dr Richard Hordern, Cherry and Dr Bruce Perlson (HS'62, HSU'63), Joanne and Dr Bryan Hillis (U'78). **19.** Pastor Cheryl Toth and Peer Chaplains Katie Ottley and Jess Kelly visiting on Thursday evening after the Luther Lecture. **20.** High School alumni volleyball tournament participants: (L-R) Bryttany Sigurdson (HS'09), Laura Almas (HS'08), Paula

Brinton (HS'06), Molly Thomas (HS'05, U'10), Lindsay Brault (HS'09), Caren Jones (HS'08) and Hayley Cattell (HS'09).



21. Bill Schultz (HS'53) and Merlis Belsher (HS'53) at the Welcome Reception on Friday evening.

22. Sarah Niebergall, Jeff Niebergall (HS'77), Mariaelena Niebergall, and Dr Celeste Just (HS'01) on Friday evening at the Welcome Reception. Three generations of the Niebergall family attended the 100th Anniversary celebration. **23.** Gerry Harris (right), retired faculty member and PhysEd director with friend Paul Barnby, former assistant football coach at the tailgate party on

Thursday afternoon. **24.** Michelle Clark (U'04), Tanna Dietrich, student assistant, Brent Butt, Caitlin Mroz, assistant, and Amanda Fischer, University staff member, at the Celebration Banquet on Saturday evening.

25. Drew Hunter with his painting of the High School Boys' basketball team and coach Dick Stark which was unveiled at the Celebration Banquet Saturday evening.

26. Shane Reoch (HS'86) was all smiles performing at the Coffee House room on Friday evening.

27. High School alumni volleyball tournament participants: (L-R) Heather McIntyre (HS'83), Jennifer Hutchinson (HS'90), Lisa (Moellman) Kasick (HS'91), Jill Lovely (HS'06), Jillian (Brandt) Bussiere (HS'91) and Rhondean (Jackson) Lang (HS'91, U'97).



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28. Bill Watson (HS'60), Don Vinge (U'52) and Lindsey Watson on Sunday afternoon outside the High School (photo by Terry Gordon (HS'59)). **29.** Peter Tiefenbach (HS'77) playing the grand piano to the delight of participants following the Friday evening program. **30.** Jack Semple performed a number of old and new songs including one sing-along on Friday evening. **31.** Sandi Pitura (HS'10), Mitch Jones (HS'10), Mat Jones (HS'07), Mira van Burck (HS'11), Laurel Garven (HS'06) and Caren Jones (HS'08) catching up at the Welcome Reception on Friday evening.

32. 2013/2014 Luther Lions football team before the game with the O'Neill Titans on Thursday afternoon. **33.** Bennet Misskey (HS'06), Nancy Ostime and Jonathan Misskey (HS'06). **34.** Pastor Dennis Hendricksen (far left), High School faculty member, with the Ministry of Groove entertaining participants on Friday evening in the Coffee House room. **35.** Parent Doug Hird getting into the football game on Thursday afternoon with High School faculty and staff members, Jacqueline Wanner, Debbie Nelson, Erin Lee, Kim Greenman, Pastor Larry Fry, Clint Uhrich, Gail Fry and Gregory Akulov.



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Photo booth!

At the Welcome Reception on Friday evening, part of the festivities included a photo booth room. Alumnus Daniel Uhrich (HS'01, U'06) with his photography business, Eight10 headshots <http://eight10headshots.com>, was on hand to take class, family, friend or individual photos for all who were interested. All alumni in attendance

were invited to participate in decade-specific class photos and the following images, provided courtesy of Daniel and Eight10 headshots, were the result. 1- 1950s, 2 - 1960s, 3 - 1970s, 4 - 1980s, 5 - 1990s, 6 - 2000s.



An OUTSIDER'S perspective

By Trudy Kennedy

Knowing few people and intending to blend in quietly, I was somewhat hesitant to take part in the Sunday Presidents' Brunch, knowing how much the weekend had meant to the Luther crowd in attendance. I didn't want to seem presumptuous and approach any seated group, but my reticence was swiftly dispelled when I was welcomed to join National Bishop Susan Johnson, Pastor Daranne (Miller) Harris (HS'95), Bishop Cindy Halmarson, (Saskatchewan Synod), and Rev Ralph Wushke (U'74). Rounding out the table were Dr Franz Volker Greifenhagen (academic dean of the University campus), his wife Susan Cherland, and Susan (Anderson) Gatin, Dr Morris Anderson's daughter and one-time president's residence occupant.

It's certainly unusual to share brunch with three Susans, and it's rarer still to have opportunity to sit among such a diverse, far-flung, yet still very connected group of welcoming faces amid groups far better acquainted than I with my tablemates. Though the mood of the weekend visibly lightened as events unfolded, the brunch took on a somewhat reserved tone, perhaps because it was a Sunday morning and therefore a time of worship for many, and perhaps also due to the oft-wistful recollections of presidents past and the fact that the Luther Centennial was coming to a close. The weather was cool, but, in the Luther gymnasium, conversation and companionship warmed the spirit as the Luther family came together at table one last time.

To an onlooker's eye, Luther's 100th Anniversary weekend seemed to begin tentatively for many; from the craning necks at the Luther Lecture, to the self-conscious and somewhat stiff body language often seen of Friday night's social attendees, many Luther alumni seemed, at first, cautious as they scanned the crowd for familiar faces and fiddled nervously with their clothing and nametags. As the night progressed, however, the halls were echoed with peals of laughter, the odd joyful shriek of reconnection, and more than one teary embrace. A trip to the ladies room found me unintentionally intruding on someone's quiet weeping, and I swiftly left her to her private swell of emotion. The evening relaxed even more when appetizer tables necessitated closer proximity, and the dimmed lighting of the grand salons afforded a gentle, soothing ambiance. By the arrival of Saturday's gala evening, awkward tension had greatly dissipated, and people stood closer to one another openly enjoying the renewed good company of old friends and enjoying the pleasure of new acquaintances they had just made through lively conversation and storytelling.

For years, I had heard people speak of Luther using hushed tones of near-reverence at times, describing it as a school that stood out among so many also-rans. Being Regina-born and a graduate of another high school, I approached Luther's centenary activities with enthusiasm, but also with interest in finally discovering what, if anything, might visibly

set Luther and its students apart from my own school. It took mere moments to sense the undercurrent of fierce loyalty and a true sense of community woven into all who came to celebrate its centennial year. Whether teacher or student, recent graduate or decades-ago boarder, the positive energy and acceptance were palpable, and I found myself wishing I, too, had attended Luther and could share in its rich history and traditions. My time among those who returned to gather felt somehow stolen and almost intrusive, but I was grateful to bear witness to the joy and togetherness, the group photos, the jovial banter, and the renewal of so much for so many of the Luther family.

Willa Cather, one of Dr Martin Marty's favourite prairie novelists, wrote in *My Antonia*, "now I understand that the same road was to bring us together again. Whatever we had missed, we possessed together the precious, the incommunicable past." May you, the Luther family of graduates, staff, and administration, hold the precious dear to your hearts until you, too, may meet again.

Trudy Kennedy was hired by Luther College to attend the 100th Anniversary celebration and to capture the momentous occasion and its spirit in words. Trudy holds an English degree from the University of Regina, and has written everything from radio copy and print advertising to web content and magazine articles; additionally, she spent several years as a marketing director.

The following is an excerpt from a letter received from alumnus Lawrence (Larry) Nairn (HS'42) about his memories of Luther:



"I have many fond memories of Luther eg Professor Fred Wagner, Dean of the Men's dormitory who also directed many theatrical events and his photography. Professor Hank Ast was my kind of guy—he was in charge of athletics and complimented me with the athletic award for 1942. Professor Paul Liefeld was another favorite, not only for his

chemistry teaching but as conductor of the symphony orchestra in which Rudy [a good friend and roommate at Luther from 1940-41] and I both played our cornets. Although we were both taking COTC training at Regina University, the Air Cadets needed buglers so they gave us cadet uniforms to play for them."



Top: Larry Nairn (HS'42) of Cambridge, Ontario, showing off the all-around athlete award that he won at Luther College High School in 1942.

Bottom: No32 Luther Squadron Air Cadets 1942

L-R: Bill Clements, Walter Hobbs, Burns Scott, Arthur Lange (HS'42), Jim Behl, Lloyd Hanke (HS'42), John Botkin (HS'41), Harry MacRobbie (HS'42), Jerry Kaumeyer, Jim Mack, Brian Powers (HS'46), Drummond Houston (HS'43), Ferdinand Edwald, Bob Martin, Leroy Gerlitz, (FO) Frederick Wagner (HS'26) (HSO'27) – Dean & Leader, Absent from picture – Richard Beare (HS'45), Armin Kroeger, Bob Arnot, Jerry Arnot, Clifford Olson (HS'43), Bob Tate, Gordon Parrot (HS'43), Stanley Stagg, George McInnis, Jack McInnis, Bob McMillan, Wesley Jefferson, Lyle Watson (HS'42), Jack Moore, Gordon Hollinger (HS'42), Douglas Lennox, Paul Berquist, (PO) Henry Ast.

Looking forward to the next 100 YEARS



An interview with Dr Mark Anderson, Principal, Luther College High School, as transcribed by Trudy Kennedy

On the cusp of our second century, I am challenged to consider how Luther will carry on with the common good in mind within and beyond our school's doors.

Looking forward, our biggest concern is hiring the best teachers possible. We could have the most modern classrooms, but if there isn't teacher confidence in subject knowledge and a real interaction with—and concern for—the students, then we're done, and I'll risk speaking for the university campus, too, because what really sets Luther apart is teaching excellence.

Educators are graduating with less command of their subject areas, and good teachers seem to be harder to find. As new hires tend to stay, we seek those with a genuine affinity for working with young people: teachers who are natural, honest, and can develop good rapport with youth without trying to be their friends. We want teachers to have a degree in their discipline, particularly if they teach senior grades, and hire those who see teaching as a call to service. It's a vocation, and, at

Luther, you're called to serve God by serving people. We are involved beyond the classroom, because through extracurricular activities (coaching, advising, and putting on large events like LIT and the musical) teachers strengthen their connection with kids, and give back to the school in ways not commonly seen in the public and Catholic systems. Though we're not trying to convert people, our faculty agrees to teach in a Christian context, which means showing grace, being forgiving and patient, and believing there's hope and purpose in what they're doing. I can't imagine a better place to be an educator.

As administrators and teachers, we should never stagnate or slip into saying, "it's already good enough, and we're doing better than most schools." What I choose to say as principal—and I hope our teachers and our students say it as well—is that it's never good enough. Luther and its students matter enough that you never settle.

Another priority is international recruitment, and diversifying that student base to extend around the globe. Since our school community is ever-expanding, we want the Luther family to feel a sense of connection as we go forward. When you're in another country, busy with job and family, it's hard to remember that you are forever part of the Luther community, so we encourage graduates to maintain that sense of comradeship.

As principal I'm responsible for what goes on here, but I also care

as a parent and a relative of current students. I envy my brother and my sister because they went to Luther; though I've been around for 26 years, I've never experienced it as a student. While my youngest son is in Grade 11, my eldest graduated three years ago and, through helping to coach our football team, is experiencing the Luther community beyond just going to school here.

The Lutheran ethos of faith and scholarship provides freedom to pursue truth, even if that creates doubt. One thing I like so much about Luther is that it doesn't view academic thought – rational thought – as mutually exclusive from faith; rather, they are ways of knowing that inform each other. Here, you can doubt, challenge, and question; you're not being told what to believe, you're being told that it's important to believe *something*.

In my heart of hearts, I believe Luther's founders would be proud and would recognise in today's Luther College big elements of their initial dream and vision. The torch was handed to us, and you feel honoured, yet you also feel a sobering responsibility, and I don't think that's a bad thing. We're preparing young people for university and for society in general, and we are distinct from other schools. We will carry on in a way that will ensure the longevity and vitality of the College, because we have something to offer not only to contemporary society, but to future generations as well.



Dr Franz Volker Greifenhagen,
academic dean, Luther College
at the University of Regina

With the celebration of Luther's 100th Anniversary behind us, complete with a beautiful history book outlining how the educational vision of pioneering Lutherans took shape, grew, and transformed into what we now know as Luther College, it is timely to ask what may now lie ahead as we enter Luther's second century.

I write from the perspective of the Luther College campus located at, and federated with, the University of Regina; this campus was, of course, not established until 1971 and therefore is technically only 42 years old (although university-level classes were taught at the High School campus already in the 1920s). I also write knowing that attempting to peer into the future is a risky business, prone to failure. However, it is fitting to muse on the challenges facing the University campus and the sort of story that we hope to create for the next history book.

Luther College at the University of Regina is first and foremost a liberal arts and sciences school issuing out of the rich Lutheran heritage of scholarship and emphasis on education. That means that it focuses on the long-term educational formation of the whole person as a moral agent embedded in diverse communities and called to the higher vocation of serving humanity. But that puts the educational mission of the College at loggerheads with

the increasing volume of rhetoric heard today about the need to instead train individuals in the specific skills that industry and business currently demand. Students and parents increasingly expect that any post-secondary education lead in a straight line to a high-paying career. While Luther College must acknowledge the seriousness of this concern, it must also remain true to its core mission. The economy is not God and high-paying jobs do not hold the monopoly on creating a meaningful life. Turbulent waters may lie ahead but in the end, the College and society will benefit from a continuing emphasis on cultivating the attitudes and general skills that all citizens require to contribute both to their specific jobs and to their communities and to adapt to ever changing circumstances.

Luther College has had international students from the very beginning. But now international students are becoming a much greater proportion of students taking classes and living in the residence. Also, many domestic students now come from families of recent immigrants. These students come with linguistic and other challenges, but hunger to have contact with, and to be accepted by, their non-international and non-immigrant peers. Luther College is a place where this can happen. Likewise, the First Nations population of Saskatchewan is growing exponentially, and Luther College must be willing to welcome and be transformed by the descendants of peoples who made sacred treaties with settlers such as those who founded the College.

Luther College's strength, no matter what it teaches or who it teaches, has been the positive and encouraging relationships it has fostered between scholars

and students. The ways in which these relationships are fostered and expressed may change over time, but they remain the heart of the College's educational mission. The challenge is to continue to make these relationships central as we forge ahead with new educational technologies, new strategies designed to facilitate the transition of students to the university and then out into the world, and new ways of engaging the communities outside of the ivory tower.

Luther College at the University of Regina now speaks of its vision as forming students to "think deeply, act passionately, and live faithfully," a new way of expressing what it has essentially aspired to do all along. The challenge is to embody this vision ever anew in careful and reflective pedagogy, engaged and innovative research, and an abiding sense of service to others. From our teaching faculty all the way to cafeteria and maintenance workers, it is the people who are willing to live out this vision who will write the next chapter in the story of Luther College.

Leverage Your Legacy

Two common themes I see in my financial planning practice are the desire of clients to support causes and charities beyond their lifetimes and their horror at the size of the projected tax bill at their passing.

There is no estate or inheritance tax in Canada (although those with significant holdings of U.S. stocks or real estate may have a surprise in store for them), but we do have income taxes and capital gains taxes.

The biggest impact we see is on registered savings. This includes the “alphabet soup” of plans; RRSPs, RRRIFs, LIFs, PRIFs, LIRAs and defined contribution pension plans.

Saskatchewan residents are especially sensitive to this because so many employers have defined contribution pension plans (also called money purchase plans). Since the 1970s, all provincial crown corporations, government departments and agencies as well as most co-operatives have had this type of pension plan. As well many other plans, such as the City of Regina and University of Regina, have commutable pensions under certain conditions that may also be affected.

Canada Revenue Agency deems these tax sheltered plans to be redeemable at the date of death. If there is a spouse designated as the beneficiary the problem is deferred. At the death of the second person the full tax effect hits.

Let's look at a common example: John and Catherine are 65. Other than their home they own the following:

- A cottage worth \$150,000 that has a cost base of \$50,000
- RRSPs and defined contribution pension plans worth \$450,000

The tax bill at the passing of the second of the couple would be:

- Taxable capital gain on cottage \$50,000
- Taxable amount from RRSPs/ Pension \$450,000
- Additional income at death \$500,000

If we assume that the entire amount of additional income at death is taxed at Saskatchewan's highest marginal tax rate of 44%, then the tax bill would be about \$220,000 leaving \$280,000 for their children and charitable bequests.

Is there a way to minimize the tax, increase the children's inheritance and leave a significant legacy?

Fortunately the Income Tax Act offers two opportunities, that, if used together, can have a significant impact. These features are:

1. The charitable tax credit can be up to 100% of income tax payable in the year of death
2. The death benefit of a life insurance policy is not taxable.

How can we combine these features to our advantage?

If John and Catherine were to purchase a \$500,000 “joint and last to die” life insurance policy and name a charity such as the Luther College, Regina as beneficiary, it

would create a charitable tax credit large enough to virtually eliminate ALL of the tax on the cottage, RRSPs and pensions.

The result would be
Children: \$500,000
Charity: \$500,000
Income Tax: \$0

Of course there is a cost of life insurance.

For a 65-year-old non-smoking couple in good health, they would expect to pay about \$600 per month to purchase a \$500,000 permanent joint and last-to-die life insurance policy.

This is the price to provide an extra \$220,000 to the children and \$500,000 to charity.

If you would like to learn more about using charitable giving strategies to enhance your estate plan, contact Luther College or a Registered Financial Planner.



Chet Brothers, CFP, RFP is president of **Brothers & Company Financial**, a Regina based financial planning and wealth management firm and proud father of Luther College High School student Jenna Brothers.



For project updates visit:
www.luthercollege.edu/highschool/atimetobuild/projectupdate

Walter Posehn & Greg Posehn

Living Out Values



Greg & Walter Posehn

Walter Posehn (HS'51, HSU'52) grew up near Kronau, Saskatchewan during the Depression and war times. When he came to Luther in the fall of 1947, Walter recognised his good fortune. Not everyone his age enjoyed the privilege of pursuing academics. This realisation and his Luther experience influenced Walter throughout his life and likely inspired his philanthropic nature.

After completing his first year of university at Luther in 1952, Walter attended the University of Saskatchewan to become a chemical engineer. For the next 22 years, he worked across Canada in Regina, Calgary, Fort St John, British Columbia as well as abroad in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. In 1978, he left the oil business to become a full-time farmer, taking over his wife Jean's family farm near Lorie, Saskatchewan. This gave him the opportunity to care for Jean, who dealt with health issues in her later years until she passed away in 2003.

Walter's spirit of caring and thoughtful ways of planning for the future extended to Luther. For many years he loyally supported the College. In later times, Walter created a charitable remainder trust to benefit Luther.

A charitable remainder trust is an arrangement where a donor places a sum of money into an irrevocable trust. While the donor is alive, any income from the trust is typically paid to the donor. After the donor's death, the money or assets left in the trust are transferred to the registered charity appointed by the donor.

When Walter passed away in 2010, all the funds in his charitable trust came to Luther College. With the blessing of his family, Walter's gift provided an

important boost to our *A Time to Build* project.

Gregory Posehn (HS'78) has followed in his father's footsteps. When his parents decided to move to Saudi Arabia in 1976, Greg had just completed grade 10 in Calgary, Alberta. The family had to decide where Greg would finish the last two years of high school. They considered a number of options, including Switzerland and London UK but in the end it seemed only natural that Greg enrol at Luther College High School in Regina, Saskatchewan.

Living at Luther opened Greg's eyes to what was going on in the world outside of his own experience. Luther became a home for him, providing comfort and security as well as intellectual stimulation. Greg fondly recalls memories of fun with fellow students and the daily filing into chapel as well as his weekly laundry routine and coffee hang-out at the Paddock with fellow dormers. The annual musical productions nurtured his lifelong appreciation for music.

Greg appreciates the valuable experiences he had at Luther, such as learning how to interact with other students from varying backgrounds. He credits Luther with preparing him to work with, understand and successfully relate to others.

After graduating from Luther in 1978, Greg attended the University of Saskatchewan where he studied Finance and Economics. After receiving a Bachelor of Arts, he continued his studies and obtained a Master's degree in Economics as well as an MBA from the College of Commerce. Today Greg works as a portfolio manager with CIBC.

Greg also carries on his father's legacy of valuing community and, like Walter, has made careful philanthropic plans. Motivated largely by his father, Greg established the Posehn Foundation in 2006 through Investors Group. Since then, the foundation helped to create and fund the Posehn Choral Leadership Award at the High School (see below) and provide support for the *A Time to Build* campaign.

Greg is a modest, unassuming nice guy. Those who knew his father would say that Walter demonstrated the same characteristics before leaving his mortal coil. Both are legacy champions, whose plans shape the lives of many Luther students – past, present and future.

The Posehn Choral Leadership Award

This leadership award is granted to a Luther College High School student who has the talent and desire to build a successful and rewarding career as a choir performer or director or whose work as a section leader or accompanist has enriched the music program.

Initially one student received the award each year. Since 2010 it has been granted to two students annually.

Recipients of the Posehn Choral Leadership Award:

*Rachel Gee Yeng Sham
Tynan Wenarchuk
Henk Williams
Katie Newman
Yumi Goda
Anna Hendricksen
Trista Gargol
Zane Clifford
Kyera Levesque*

on campus

CORRECTION: In the 100th Anniversary issue on page 12, image 5 in the title bar was incorrectly identified as Henry Ast.

HIGH SCHOOL

Alumni Musical Pre-Show Dessert Receptions

On Saturday 8 June, alumni were invited to a dessert and coffee reception prior to that day's performance of the musical *The Wizard of Oz*. Alumni and family were treated to reserve seating on the new theatre seating risers.

Alumni Chapel

On Wednesday 12 June, **Dr Terry Ross (HS'89)** was the guest speaker at the alumni chapel. A reception for faculty, staff, alumni and Dr Ross followed in the Blue Room. Dr Ross is the Medical Director for the STARS base in Regina, Saskatchewan as well as an emergency physician in the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region.



Dr Terry Ross (HS'89) speaking at the Alumni Chapel.

Entrance Awards and Reception

On Wednesday 30 October, entrance awards were presented during chapel. These awards are for new students to LCHS. Parents, family, students, donors, faculty and staff were invited to the Blue Room following the ceremony for a reception.

Donor Tea

On Saturday 29 June, the annual donor tea was held in the Blue Room for the scholarship recipients and their families to meet the benefactors of their particular scholarship, the volunteer Board of Regents and mingle with faculty, friends and family prior to the graduation ceremony. This year alumni pins were distributed to all graduates during the Baccalaureate Service.



Hanna Dunnigan (HS'13) and Taline Blakely (HS'13) at the Donor Tea.

Faculty and alumnus published in academic journal

Congratulations to faculty member Dr Gregory Akulov and his son **Oleksandr (Alex) Akulov (HS'07)** who recently had their math work published in the *Journal of Mathematics and Science*. Their article introduces an explicit way of locating the arc midpoint in the Cartesian plane, which is consistent for both x- and y-coordinates and is technically accessible for students starting as young as fifteen.

UNIVERSITY

Regina Music Festival

From Friday 26 April to Saturday 4 May, the Regina Music Festival was held at the University campus. Each year, Luther College supports the festival by providing a venue and sponsoring three scholarships. On Friday 10 May at the gala concert, Rebecca Weger received the Luther College Junior Strings Scholarship and Arnold Tiefenbach Junior Scholarship, and Paul Anderson (son of Principal Mark Anderson) received the Luther College Intermediate Cello scholarship. Both students were awarded scholarships as a result of their performance at the Regina Music Festival.



President Bryan Hillis (U'78) and Rebecca Weger, recipient of two scholarships sponsored on behalf of Luther College.

Spring and Fall Convocation

On Thursday 6 June, Luther College at the University of Regina celebrated the graduation of 63 Luther students at the Spring Convocation. **Dr Barbara Reul** delivered a keynote address to students about acknowledging the work of others and embracing every opportunity that comes one's way.

The Fall Convocation on 19 October, celebrated the graduation of 12 Luther students.

Dr Regan Shercliffe delivered a video address from Amman, Jordan challenging the students to travel, consider the plight, circumstances and experiences of others and venture out of one's comfort zone.

Studentsfirst UPrep Program

From 23 August to 2 September, 15 students from Brazil, China, Japan and Korea participated in the first phase of Luther's UPrep program, a 40% increase in enrollment over last year. The program, which helps international students make a successful transition into the Canadian university context, featured a unique component of continued support involving academic coaching, individualised student support, facilitation of university involvement, and group activities with mentors and peers during a pre-university week in August, and for the entire fall semester.



UPrep 2013 students: Back, L-R: Zack Jin, Tom Wu, Tony Yang, David Yang, Hanna Dias Ribeiro Braga, Lucas Sarmento De Sousa Lima, Felipe Rodrigo Pinheiro Rafael, Stefania De Sousa Faria, Tanner Aulie (Domestic Student Conversation Leader) Matheus Augusto De Lima Friere
Middle, L-R: Ellis Ju, Sayaka Tanoue, Nao Nishimoto, Jezuele Milanez, Rebeca Araujo Soares, Briana Vaags (Domestic Student Conversation Leader)
Front, L-R: Rachel Kotei, Ryan Hunter, Shelby Pflanzner (all three were Domestic Student Conversation Leaders)

The second phase – academic mentoring – is currently underway and will continue throughout the fall semester. This is only the second year that the program has been offered.

Awards ceremony

On Thursday 3 October, an awards ceremony was held to present the 2013 Luther Scholarships and Dean's Honour Roll to deserving Luther students. Over 100 parents, faculty and staff looked on as 55 students were the recipients of 30 scholarships including the James Kurtz Memorial Scholarship, Dr Arthur Krentz Scholarship in Humanities, Kovacs History Scholarship and Luther Scholarship for Academic Dedication. Forty-five students were recipients of the Dean's Honour Roll.

38th Luther Lecture

On Thursday 10 October as part of the 100th Anniversary celebration, Luther College welcomed Dr Martin E Marty as the College's 38th Luther Lecturer. Author of over 60 books and 5000 articles, TIME magazine characterised him as the most influential interpreter of religion in America. Dr Marty presented a talk entitled *The Artful Liberation of the University: Practical Education for the Common Good*. His lecture considered the relationship of the liberal, or as Marty would say "liberating", arts to a world where practical outcomes are paramount. Over 200 people attended the lecture to hear the wisdom of this highly respected historian, writer and social observer on the practicality of the liberal arts. A video of the presentation can be found on the Luther College website at www.luthercollege.edu/lutherlecture.

ALL COLLEGE

The 18th Annual Golf Classic

was held on a beautiful, sunny Monday 8 July at Tor Hill near Regina, Saskatchewan. All funds raised from tournament fees, game enhancements, 50/50 and silent auction went to scholarship programs at the high school and university campuses of Luther College. These include the 100th Anniversary Student Bursary which provides 100% tuition relief through grade 12 for students who need financial assistance ensuring that those who emulate the Luther spirit are able to attend the High

School campus. Proceeds from the golf tournament also supported the Studentsfirst program at Luther College, University campus. This program helps students make a successful transition to university, supports students in their academic life during their university career, and assists students in making a satisfying transition to a career or post-graduate studies after university.



Jeff Christiansen (HS'84) buys a wing span of tickets at the golf tournament from Maureen Harrison.



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Daphne Braham (HS'72, U'75) received a honorary degree from Capilano University on 3 June 2013. Daphne has been a columnist at *The Vancouver Sun* since 2000.



Joe Brown (HS'55) retired in 1987 from Brown Communications. Joe and his wife, Anna, moved to what they call "the Last Chapter" in their guest book. It is a lovely two bedroom suite overlooking the Gulf Islands and Mount Baker in Washington. "It is a view we have been lucky enough to enjoy for the past 21 years. We are now at the time in our lives when we just want to be able to lock the doors and 'go'," said Joe. "We have moved from 14 acres of gardens down to three potted plants on our balcony. It's a nice free feeling and, in our hearts, we know we have done the right thing... for our family and for ourselves. Downsizing, before it is too late, is something we should all give serious thought to. So, since moving in August we have had three trips and are off to Maui in December and Phoenix in February... all with family and friends. Give it a try, you'll love it."



Elizabeth (Gardiner) Candlish (HS'48) is now retired. She obtained a PhD from the University of Manitoba in Animal Nutrition and Plant Biochemistry in 1970. Her son lives in Kelowna, British Columbia, her oldest daughter in Victoria, British Columbia, second daughter in Calgary, Alberta, third daughter on Hornby Island, British Columbia, and fourth daughter in Peterborough, Ontario. Living in residence at the High School meant lots of time to make friends and take part in activities, an experience she very much enjoyed.

Kei Oi Collins Cheung (HS'92), having spent two years at Luther High School, is proud to say that she is now a Lutheran teacher in Hong Kong extending the Lutheran tie across to the other side of the world.

David Cook (HS'58) sent the alumni office a note to publish in *The Luther Story*. It says, "Thanks to everyone for the lessons in loyalty and forthrightness. I am but a mirror in which others see themselves."

Jackie Dzuba (resident from September 1982 to April 1983) was presented with the 2013 Distinguished alumni award on 10 October 2013. This award is presented biennially to a graduate from the film program at the University of Regina who has made significant contributions to filmmaking and film culture.

Alexandra Pauline Fox (HS'07) graduated in Spring 2013 from the College of Law at University of Saskatchewan with a Juris Doctor Degree with Distinction. She is now working on articling with Miller Thomson Law Firm in Calgary.

Mathew Gill (HS'01) took a while to get settled once he left Luther College High School. He began a custom home theater company for three years then moved on to a career with Ledcor Technical Services. He has been an installation and repair technician for five years, climbing telephone poles and fixing copper communication lines that provide internet, telephone and TV and has traveled around British Columbia and even back to Saskatchewan for work-related projects. He recently completed his firefighting training in Texas and is currently perusing a career as a full-time firefighter. Mathew currently resides in Langley, with his wife, Leanna. They are a perfect match: they love the sun and love to travel. Mathew is looking forward to taking her to her first Rider game. Three generations of Gill family (all Luther alumni) returned to Luther for the 100th Anniversary. His favorite Luther moment is scoring his first touchdown as a Luther Lion.

Here's a picture of Mathew skydiving.



Bentley Hicks (U'83) received a Deputy Minister's Award of Merit from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada in June 2013 for his work on the Income Assistance Reform Initiative for Canada's on-reserve Income Assistance population. This is the second Deputy Minister's Award he's received while with the federal government: the first was with Health Canada in 2003 for his work on the Federal Health Human Resources Strategy. He is currently the Associate Director with the Income Assistance Reform Directorate at Aboriginal Affairs in Ottawa, Ontario and is in his 21st year as a federal public servant.

For Bentley, a special memory of Luther College includes two names: Arthur Krentz and Roland Miller. Dr Krentz was Professor of Philosophy and Dr Miller was the Academic Dean. Their influence on him was profound: academically, professionally and personally. Arthur Krentz was a teacher, a mentor, a confident and a friend during his time at Luther and it's hard to overstate his influence on Bentley's life over the past 30 years. To Bentley, Roland Miller embodied leadership in the academic setting: principled, inclusive and compassionate.



Gary Yau Cheung Ho (U'85) has been living in British Columbia since 1990.

Allan Horlick (attended grade 11, 1975-76) is now semi-retired after a long career in education. He has been a substitute teacher, classroom teacher, vice-principal and principal in his career. He continues to be

active in music as he plays tuba in the Saskatoon Concert Band and has also sung with the Greystone Singers and the Saskatoon Chamber Singers. He is presently taking voice lessons from Naomi Friesen. He has a son, who will begin his second year of law at the University of Saskatchewan after graduating with an honors degree in business economics last year, and a daughter, who graduated from the University of British Columbia with a Master's degree in Fine Arts and is working in Vancouver, British Columbia. Allan's hobbies are music and having season tickets to the Riders!

Katherine Jackson (HS'07) is working for P3 Architecture in Regina, Saskatchewan as an intern designer.

Celeste Just (HS'01) is finishing her first year of family medicine residency in Regina, Saskatchewan.

Jooyoung Kim (HS'01) has moved from South Korea and is now working at an oil and gas company in Calgary, Alberta. A special memory of Luther is when she was a cheerleader in grade 12.

Rebecca Lee (HS'85) was awarded the 2012 Danuta Gleed Literary Award in June 2013 for her book, *Bobcat and other stories*. The award is administered through The Writers' Union of Canada recognising the best English-language collection of short fiction by a Canadian author. Rebecca is a graduate of the Iowa Writers' Workshop and is now a professor of creative writing at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington.

Julia Mitchell (HS'02) is currently completing a PhD in history from University College, London (expected graduation 2014). She just moved back to Saskatchewan after six years away to pursue further education.

Randy Muenz (attended grades 9 and 10, 1972-1974) advised our office that he was in a vehicle accident in 1987, but ignored the pain for 9 years, when he began to struggle mentally as well as physically. He was diagnosed with moderate to severe brain injury and had severely damaged 3rd thru 6th cervical vertebrae. He looked at this setback as God's way of making him a stay-at-home dad. He retired at 40 with an 8-year-old son and a 5-year-old daughter. He has had the most fantastic time raising his kids, Christian (now 21) & Alexis (18). Alexis just had her grad this past spring, which is what made him want to write this. He was too sick to attend her graduation, spending most of his days in bed. His memories of Luther are essentially the best times he had in high school, period. He loved morning chapel most of all. The other thing that he remembers is the closeness and friendliness of all students, faculty and school staff.

Jacquie (Euteneier) (HS'59, HSU'60) and Art Plunz (attended grades 9 and 10, 1954 – 1956) now make their home in Red Deer, Alberta for six months, and in Mazatlán, Sinaloa, Mexico for six months of each year. Art went to Luther for grades 9 and 10 from 1954 to 1956 and later went on to graduate from grade 12 at Central Collegiate and from Regina Teachers' College in 1960. He received his BEd from the University of Regina, and his BSc and DMD (Doctor of Dental Medicine) from the University of Saskatchewan (Saskatoon). He was a classroom teacher for a number of years, and then had his own dental practice from 1977 until he retired in 2002. Jacquie attended Regina Teachers' College and received her BEd from the University of Regina, and MEd from the University of Saskatchewan (Saskatoon). She went on to study piano and theory, and received her ATCL (Associate of the Trinity College London, Piano Performer).

Jacquie was a classroom teacher for a number of years as well, and then taught piano and theory exclusively until her retirement in 2002. God has been gracious to them over the years and has blessed them with a beautiful family. Since their retirement, they've enjoyed travelling, and volunteering their services in a number of other countries. In August 2013, Jacquie and Art celebrated their 50th Anniversary and are pictured below with their family. They are ever grateful for their years spent at Luther College, and to the fine, outstanding and dedicated teachers they had there. They enjoy reading *The Luther Story* and continue to support their alma mater with prayer.



David Ruecker (HS'00, U'05) joined Praxis Consulting and Praxis Analytics in March 2011 as a senior analyst. He married Bethann in August 2011. In July 2012, they travelled to Bolivia for two weeks with Canadian Baptist Ministries.

Rev Terrance Sauder (HS'64) retired to Maple Creek, Saskatchewan in 2011 where he enjoys gardening in his large yard. He and his wife travel to visit friends and grandchildren and are enjoying their new trailer.

William (Bill) P Skelton (HS'36) has been retired for the past 30 years after a career as a pharmacist. Now 94 years old, he no longer golfs or travels very far afield, but still drives his car. The most exciting events of recent years include having several of his poems put to music by noted musician, conductor and arranger, Dr Howard Cable. He is continually grateful to his parents for the sacrifices they made to send him to Luther College during the "Dirty Thirties." He regrets having lost

touch with all his classmates. He sends his congratulations to Luther College and wishes continued success as the school enters its second century.

James David Smith (HS'69) is currently working on a large oil development project in southern Iraq for Imperial Oil. He lives and spends the weekends in Dubai, UAE. David has two grown children who have finished their education and are now out on their own. Adam, his son, is a lawyer working in Toronto, Ontario and Laura, his daughter, is an accountant working in Houston, Texas. David plans to retire in a couple of years.



Nolan Tabashniuk (HS'92, U'96) and his wife, Shelly (nee Matt, originally of Lumsden), moved to Vancouver Island from Regina, Saskatchewan 10 years ago. They are now the proud parents of three boys, all of whom are healthy and active young athletes who keep busy between the hockey rinks, baseball diamond, and soccer pitch. They settled in Nanaimo, British Columbia in 2011, where Nolan currently serves as the Regional Sales Manager, Residential Mortgages for RBC in the North and Central Vancouver Island market. Their move to Nanaimo allowed him to begin competing in competitive baseball once again, and he is a proud team member of the Nanaimo Coal Miners baseball club in the Pacific International League. He was fortunate to attend Luther College, and it gave him the courage and knowledge to prosper in the business world today.



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Sheri Torgrimson (U'84) "loved the" anniversary issue of *The Luther Story*—it was fun to see some folks she recognised, especially the staff she worked with as a student. In the summer of 1981, she was in a vocal group representing the school at various churches (led by Steve Button) and also worked in maintenance with Herb Amendt for three summers. They always knew that summer was coming to an end when it was time to clean the pipes in the laundry room and the stair wells! (And what other summer job would give you a chance to short sheet the Roughriders' beds?) And what dorm student could forget Momma's apple strudel? (The "hockey pucks" and liver sandwiches we choose not to remember!)

Elisabeth Wagner (HS'71, U'74) retired in 2012 from a career in public service, serving in various program and policy roles in four provinces. She welcomes having more time for travel, golf and music. Now living in Victoria in recent years, Elisabeth has taken up singing and has written, produced and performed in three musical plays. She was in Regina, Saskatchewan in November 2013 to present *The Passionate Muse: The Life and Music of Pauline Viardot-Garcia* for the Regina Musical Club.

Melissa (Cain) Wilson (HS'88, U'92) and her family returned to Regina a few years ago just prior to Melissa's oldest son (Aidan) starting school so that both boys would be able to experience the joys of growing up surrounded by extended family. Heartbreakingly, Aidan passed away suddenly on 8 March 2013 at the tender age of 10 after experiencing a brain bleed. Melissa is currently taking an extended leave from her work as a launch specialist with iQmetrix so that she can focus all of her energy on helping her younger son, Isaac, and herself in adjusting to their new life. She has many special memories of Luther College, but the feelings of friendship, belonging and being connected to others are what stands out to her the most when she thinks about her time at Luther. She has lost

touch with most of her classmates that she had once felt so close to, but still think of them fondly and hopes that they'll be able to reconnect again someday soon!

Barbara Wright (teacher at High School from 1 February 1973 - 30 June 2007) would like to thank all the Toronto and area alumni who were able to get together at the beautiful home of Lloyd (HS'51) and Sandra Carlsen for the 100th Anniversary reception in June 2013. Also attending were Mrs Wright's daughter Christine (HS'90) and granddaughter Elliott!



Jim Zinkhan (HS'63, HSU'64) gave an update to the High School alumni office on Corinne (Seibel) Vogel (HS'60) and Roger Vogel. They live in Fairfield, California and have five children of their own and have adopted six more. They are foster parents and for the past 40 years have had 122 foster children, having as many as 13 children in their home at one time. They specialise in looking after medically fragile children and currently have a 10-month-old child who has already had two open-heart surgeries. The need for foster parents is great. Corinne says she loves what they are doing and is not ready to quit yet.

OBITUARIES

Frances (McKay) Bolton (HS'54) passed away on 8 April 2013. She is survived by her husband, David.

George Stewart Crawford (HSU'40) passed away peacefully on 27 October 2011 in Vancouver, British Columbia after a short illness. He was the only child of Kenneth and Jennie Crawford and grew up in Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan. He attended Luther College University, when it was still part of the High School campus, for one year in 1940.

He then went on to the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon where he studied engineering. His wife, Dorothy (nee Bell), and son, Donald, predeceased him. George is survived by his daughters, Deborah Greene (Garry) and Janet Nehera (John); his four grandchildren, Michelle Kurtz (Jason), David Greene, Heather Hehera, and Ian Nehera; and his great granddaughter Isla Kurtz.

Vera Olga (Wetstein) Fieseler (HS'46) passed away on 4 April 2013 at the age of 85. After graduating from grade 12 at Luther College High School, she trained as a nurse at the Regina General Hospital and was matron of the Langenburg, Saskatchewan hospital for 38 years until her retirement. She is survived by her husband Walter, two daughters, five grandchildren and her sister Mona (Wetstein) Leippi (HS'53).

Donna Hollinger (HS'58) passed away on 17 January 2013 at the age of 72 years. She will be lovingly remembered by her sisters, numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. She will be remembered for her warm friendship and mentoring abilities to those around her. As a result of this, Donna touched many lives.

Sandra (Schramm) Halyk (HS'62) passed away on 29 December 2012 at age 68. Sandra was a really great human being. Full of good fun, she had a keen sense of the truly important things in life and was always gracious and kind. She is survived by her husband, Jerry, daughter, Jennifer and brother, Randy Schramm. Having lived in Esterhazy, Saskatchewan for a number of years, interment was at the Esterhazy Town Cemetery.

Bradley Johnson (HS'06) passed away suddenly on 26 July 2011 at the age of 23. He will be forever missed and lovingly remembered by his devoted parents, Dale Johnson and Rita Schiller and numerous family members. An only child, he cultivated a large and eclectic group of friends during his years at Hawrylak Elementary School, Luther College High School and at

the University of Regina, where he was enrolled in the Faculty of Arts. During his years as a student at Luther, Brad was a member of the Luther Lions football team and was thrilled to be on the team that won the provincial high school championship in 2006.

Betty (Small) Kish (HS'47) passed away on 4 February 2013 at the age of 84 years. She was born in Earl Grey, Saskatchewan on 11 September 1928. Betty is survived by husband, Paul Kish, son, Elton Beach, daughter, Coleen (Terry) Nimetz, grandchildren Noel, Derek and Kieran Nimetz, sister-in-law Evelyn Small, several nephews and their families.

Ken Korven (HS'87) passed away in May 2013 at the age of 45. Kenneth Garry Korven was born in Regina, Saskatchewan on 14 October 1968 where he lived until his family moved to Port Alberni, British Columbia in 1981. He attended Luther College High School in Regina, Saskatchewan and the University of Victoria, British Columbia graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics. Ken loved sports and was a good athlete. He was a lifelong learner and an avid reader and was always eager to seek and share knowledge and a good laugh. He worked as an industrial radiographer primarily in Cabri, Saskatchewan, Kindersley, Saskatchewan, Medicine Hat, Alberta and Weyburn, Saskatchewan. Ken's life revolved around his family and home; he was a devoted father and a patient soul, and his generosity and kindness drew people to him wherever he went.

Henry Y Lee (HS'63) suddenly passed away on 20 January at the age of 74. Henry was predeceased by his beloved wife Gloria in 2000. He is survived by his daughter, Darlene, Regina, Saskatchewan and his two sons: Allan, Cold Lake, Alberta and Michael (Jill), Regina, Saskatchewan and four grandchildren.

Robert (Bob) Malcovitch (HS'53, HSU'54) passed away on 5 March 2013 at the age of 59 at his home in Winnipeg, Manitoba with his wife and four daughters by his side. His wife, Lil, informed our office that he was diagnosed with a malignant brain tumour on 31 July 2012. Bob worked for TransCanada Pipelines for 32 years, retiring in 1988. He had fond memories and often talked of his days at Luther College.

Reinhold Sommerfeld (faculty member High School –1950-1972 and University –1972-1987) passed away on 27 September 2013 at Port Moody, British Columbia. Predeceased by his wife Ella in 1996; also by his parents Adolf & Wanda Sommerfeld, brothers Helmut (Medstead) and Oscar (Saskatoon). He is survived by sons Eric (Elma) of Port Coquitlam, Ralph (Tanis) of Victoria, daughter Ruth (Dan) Dempsey, granddaughter Stephanie (Brian) Kruger & great grandson Xavier of Victoria, grandson Jason Dempsey (Cold Lake), brother Elmer (Phyllis) of Moose Jaw, sister-in-law Martha (Saskatoon), nieces, nephews and a wide circle of friends. Reinhold is known by many for his 38 years of service to Luther College.

Dr Kent Sorsdahl (HS'82) passed away suddenly at his home in Sebringville, Ontario on 23 May 2013. Beloved husband of Jane (McHattie); loving father of Andrew (HS'10) and Madison; dear son of Larry and his late wife Sharon; brother of Carmen Brown (HS'80); and uncle to Brianna (HS'07) and Keely (HS'11) Brown. After graduating from Luther College High School in 1982, Kent went on to study medicine at the University of Saskatchewan where he graduated magna cum laude. He completed his residency in General Surgery in London, Ontario where he received awards for excellence in both teaching and research. For the last 17 years, Kent was a surgeon at Stratford General Hospital. He also served as the

Chief of Surgery and the Medical Program Director of Surgical Services at Huron Perth Healthcare Alliance. He was instrumental in establishing the Laparoscopic Colon Surgery Program, one of the first of its kind in a community centre like Stratford. Kent also held an adjunct appointment in the Department of Surgery at the Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry at the University of Western Ontario in London. He was, first, and foremost, a family man, and will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Grace (Ross) Streek (HS'51) passed away peacefully on 10 December 2012 at the age of 61 with her loving family by her side at the Credit Valley Hospital. She was the devoted wife of Bob Christie, the loving mother of Douglas, Robbie and the late Martin Streek. She will be cherished by many relatives in the south Saskatchewan area. Grace will be well remembered for her strong spirit, compassion and support for many charities.



Michele May (Negrey) Watson (attended Luther High School) passed away on 6 April 2013 at the age of 60. Michele will be sadly missed and remembered by her loving husband of 25 years, Kenneth; her parents, Michael and Ruth Negrey; sister Angela Negrey (Mike), nephew Dallas Crick (Holly), sister Kristine Lacroix (Dave), nieces Shea and Autumn, step-daughters Barbara (James) Mc Allister and Tammy; grandchildren: Austin and Harrison and many family members and friends. Michele was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba and attended Luther College in Regina, Saskatchewan. Michele was one of the first female bus drivers in Edmonton ETS. She also drove transit bus in Kelowna,

British Columbia, shuttle driver for Denny Andrews. Michele was a strong and loving woman that will be greatly missed by all. We are happy she is in God's hands now.

Alma Paulina Yee passed away on 26 July 2013, having lost a valiant battle to cancer just two days after her 92nd birthday. Predeceased by her loving husband, Moon, they operated Aintree Grocery across the street from Luther College High School Campus for 22 years. Many of Alma's nieces and nephews loved to go to the store on Saturday and help out doing whatever they could. Alma and Moon were supporters of Luther's community of students and staff over the years and into their retirement. Alma was very excited to recognise her doctor as a former student. In her later years, Alma took great pleasure in her needlework and created many beautiful doilies, tablecloths, and sun-catchers. Friends and family continually added to her incredible collection of butterflies in every imaginable size and colour.



2013 President's 100th Anniversary Tour

By Lisa King (HS'83)



1. David Sotropa (HS'83), Barb Wright (former faculty), Pat & John Raymer, parents of alumni David (HS'80) and Bruce (HS'86)
2. Edmonton Group
3. Warner Fyfe (HS'45) and wife Marg at the Victoria Reception
4. Celebration Cake at Qualicum Beach

In the spring of 2013, President Bryan Hillis (U'78) hosted a series of receptions across Canada in celebration of the 100th Anniversary. The receptions were an opportunity to connect with alumni, showcase the 100th Anniversary, and update alumni on new initiatives for students at Luther University as well as the construction project at Luther College High School. There was also some mention of the capital campaign, *A Time To Build*, which supports the construction project.

Thank you to all the alumni, former faculty, parents and friends who joined us and thank you to our hosts at each reception!

Edmonton, Alberta, (8 April) at Rawlco Radio Station, co-hosted by Kelly Butz (HS'99), Board of Regents Chair Stacey Cattell (HS'84) and Karl Tiefenbach (HS'73, U'76)

Calgary, Alberta, (10 April) at the Calgary Petroleum Club, co-hosted by Duane Schellenberg (HS'96), Board of Regents Chair Stacey Cattell (HS'84) and Karl Tiefenbach (HS'73, U'76)

Vancouver, British Columbia, (11 April) at the home of alumnus and former teacher, Russ Husum (HS'72, U'76)

Victoria, British Columbia, (12 April) at the Oak Bay Beach Hotel, hosted by Soren Oberg (HS'88) with his father Larry in attendance

Qualicum Beach, British Columbia, (14 April) at the Crown Mansion Hotel, hosted by former President Don & Pat King

Ottawa, Ontario, (31 May) at the Westin Hotel, hosted by Dr Bryan (U'78) and Joanne Hillis

Toronto, Ontario, (4 June) at the home of alumnus Lloyd Carlsen (HS'51) and his wife Sandra

Thank you!

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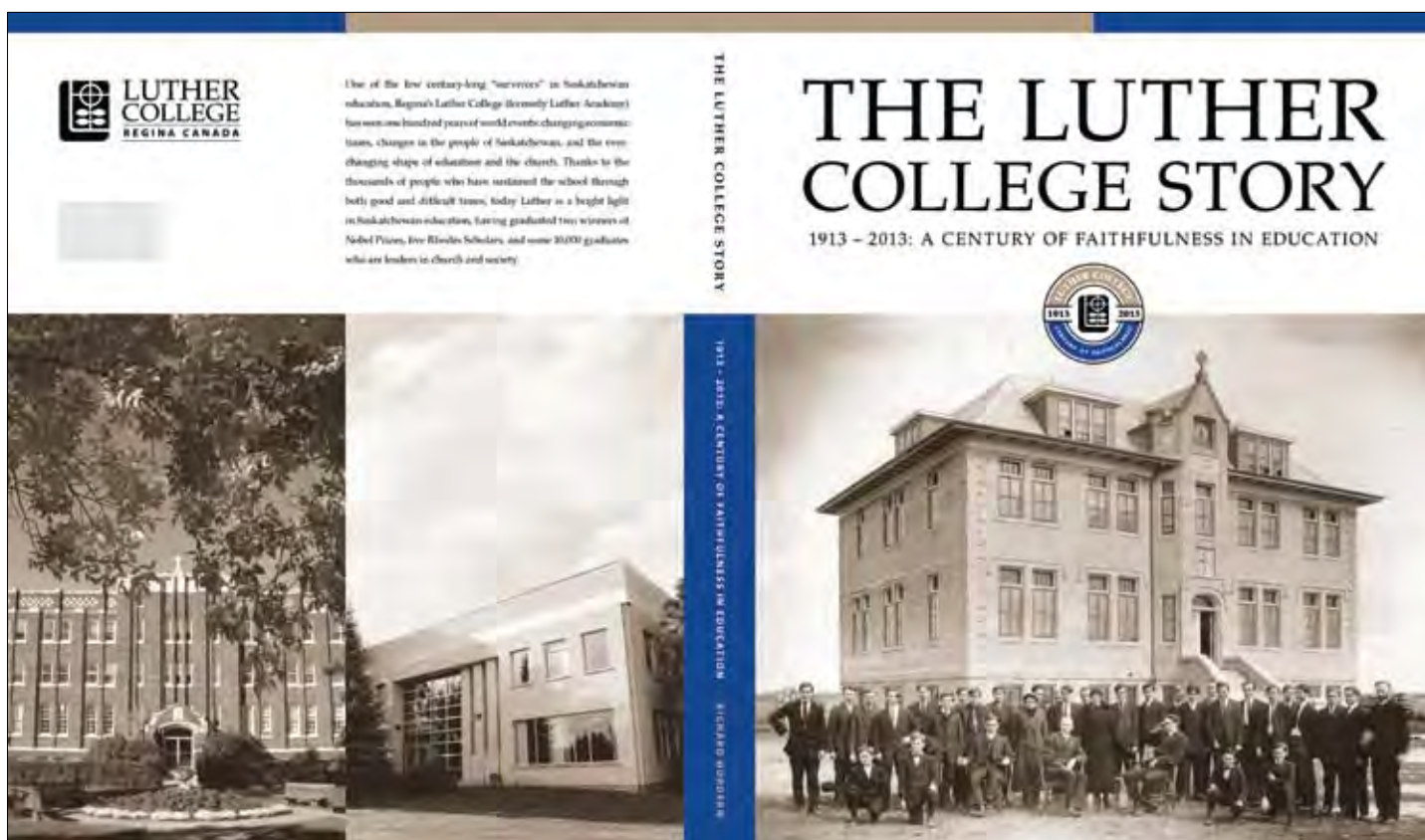


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Follow the forty-year journey of the founding generation prior to the doors opening at Luther Academy in 1914. Find out the favourite delicacy at the Tuck Shop. Learn the "rules" for playing Muckby. Hear memories from students who followed the Academy to Regina, Saskatchewan when the school relocated in 1926. Discover which faculty member received a ride home from then premier Tommy Douglas. Catch a glimpse of days gone by from nearly 500 photographs including some never-before-seen.

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