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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends:

*Saviour of the nations, come;
Show the glory of the Son!
Ev'ry people, stand in awe;
Praise the perfect Son of God.*

(Lutheran Book of Worship; LBW #28, Verse 1)

As I write this fall article, the season of Advent is upon us. The words above are the first verse of one of my favourite Advent hymns. In Advent, we now find ourselves in that liminal space between the despair of what is, and the hopeful anticipation of what is to come. In Advent, we thirst in hopefulness for the good news of the coming of a Saviour. It is the hopefulness and renewal of Advent that is the focus of this message.

While the pandemic has dragged on for almost two years, we are now hopefully and finally getting towards the latter stages of it. While we are all indeed tired of lockdowns and public health restrictions, we have also seen that relaxing the health restrictions too soon contributed to additional waves of infection that prolonged the pandemic.

At Luther, we have been working diligently to keep our community as safe as possible with ongoing precautions including masking, sanitization, and now vaccination requirements for in-person events. The good news is that these measures have largely allowed us to continue reopening the campuses to a more "normal" level of in-person activity, ensuring the best possible experiences for our students. Just like the theme for the season of Advent, we are in

this liminal space of the here and now, yet also in the space of "not quite yet." At the very least, we are hopeful that our reopening and recovery plans will continue without additional resurgence activity.

At the High School this fall, we were pleased to host a number of in-person events, including the Luther Invitational Volleyball Tournament, as well as our fabulous shortened musical production of *Disney's Frozen Jr.* We are making plans for a return to an in-person Candlelight Services this year, as well as early preparations for the 70th Annual Luther Invitational Basketball Tournament to be held February 3-5, 2022: I hope you can join us in person for that event!

At the University, our fall semester continued to align with the University of Regina's reopening plans, which found us operating still largely with remote operations for the semester. We are hopeful that with a continued increase in vaccinations we are planning a return to many in-person activities on campus beginning in January 2022. Although some of our courses will still have remote and hyflex (hybrid) delivery options, we are very much looking forward to now rebuilding our in-person community of care that Luther is so well known for.

I want to also make a special mention of our Truth and Reconciliation activities. On September 30, we had an opportunity to take our grade 12 students over to Government House, where there was a special pipe ceremony and the unveiling of a new monument to commemorate reconciliation and those affected by the residential school system in Saskatchewan. It was a meaningful activity for our students: they asked excellent questions

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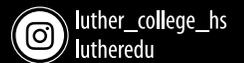
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and engaged in learning about this part of our province's history. On the university side, an Indigenization committee continues its work and post-pandemic plans under the leadership of Dr. Brenda Anderson.

During this winter semester, our focus will be on completing our new **Vision 2025: Strategic Plan**, which will outline our priorities for capital projects, programming, and growth over the next several years. I will be excited to share that work with you once it has been completed later in the year.

Finally, we cannot do this important work with our students without both your material and prayerful help! I invite you to generously *support us* today as we continue our mission and ministry as an educational institution: make your donation on our website www.luthercollege.edu and receive your charitable tax receipt for your gifts made before December 31, 2021. **Donate today** and support our ongoing mission to make graduates who will care for the world around us.

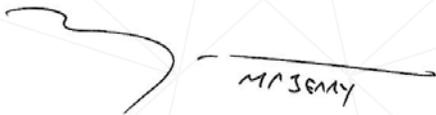
And so, in this Advent season we pray for hopefulness: hope for an end to the pandemic, in the same way that we pray for the hope of a Saviour:

Stir up the wills of your faithful people, Lord God, and open our ears to the words of your prophets, that, anointed by your Spirit, we may testify to your light; through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*(Evangelical Lutheran Worship;
Prayer of the Day, Advent 3B)*

May that hope sustain us as we emerge to new life post-pandemic!

Sincerely,



The Rev. Dr. Marc Jerry
President, Luther College

NEW PRESIDENTS' SCHOLARSHIPS ESTABLISHED AT LUTHER COLLEGE

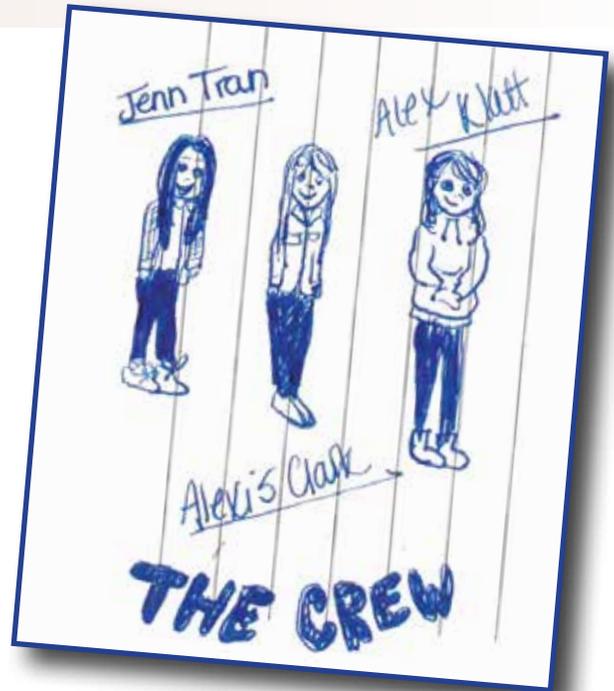
President Marc Jerry and his wife Marnie established the new Presidents' Scholarships this year. At the High School, the President's Entrance Scholarship is awarded to an international student entering Luther College High School for the first time. The scholarship is awarded to a student who is academically-minded, well-rounded, and who demonstrates distinction in arts, sports, leadership activities or other academic and personal pursuits. The scholarship was awarded for the first time to Amy Liao, a grade 12 international student from Jamaica.

At the University, the President's Scholarship is awarded annually to a student entering Luther College at the University of Regina with an admission average of 80% or higher. The student must indicate how they will use their time at Luther to discover their vocation and make a difference in the world. The scholarship was awarded for the first time to five students, thanks to the generosity of additional donors. The recipients were Chloe Beaupre, Robyn Kirwan, Kathleen Kreutzer, Chloe Schell, and Hayley Van Woert.

BONNIE AND MEL GATTINGER

REMEMBER **WHEN**

Mel Gattinger (HS'67) and **Bonnie Gattinger** are the couple featured in the Remember When photo from our last issue! On page 25 of the Spring 2021 Luther Story, there was an unidentified photo of a couple kissing at their wedding. We have since learned this is a photo of the Gattingers! Bonnie says, "My husband and I were stunned to see the photo as we have no idea how the photo got to Luther! My husband Mel and our kids, Sheldon Gattinger and Stacey Herperger, are alumni and I was the school nurse there from 2014 to 2018."



We found a drawing in the library this summer featuring three students from the Class of 2015 who are now alumni: **Jenn Tran**, **Alex Klatt** and **Alexis Clark!**

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PROOF OF VACCINATION

Luther College High School is committed to providing a safe work and learning environment for its employees and students, as well as a safe environment for visitors, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic.

As of November 22, guests 12 years and older are required to provide Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination or show a negative test result from a COVID-19 test taken no earlier than 72 hours prior to their visit on campus.

This policy applies to alumni who wish to visit or tour the campus, as well as spectators of athletic or cultural events, families and parents. **This will also apply to guests attending L.I.T. on February 4-6, 2022.** Guest vaccine information will not be recorded or stored by the school. Proof of vaccination policies have been in place at the university campus since October 1.



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL/HEAD OF SCHOOL

By far the most common question alumni and friends of Luther College have been asking me since March 2020 is, “How is the school doing during the pandemic?” This is not to complain about the frequency of the question; rather, it is to emphasize the genuine concern with which it is asked by the many who are deeply invested in “Quality Education in a Christian Context.” How comforting to be reminded that we are never far from the thoughts, prayers and supports of Luther’s global family. Therefore, responding to this frequent question is not tiresome, but rather an opportunity to further bind an already close-knit community. And what better forum to do so than right here in the *Luther Story*.

The short answer is, “Luther is doing as well as could be hoped for in the midst of a pandemic.” I am grateful to our students, families, alumni and employees, all of whom have contributed in important ways to making this answer possible. Because they have patiently prioritized community safety, we have only had three positive cases – all of which have been fully contained – since last June; because they have been flexible and creative, we have been able to navigate together the new and ever-shifting COVID impacts. As Einstein once opined, “You can’t use an old map to explore a new world.”

There are so many other indicators that Luther continues to flourish despite the obvious challenges. For example, enrolment remains above 400 and even though international visas and travel restrictions have created numerous headaches for all involved, our dorms nonetheless are roughly half full. We had anticipated and planned that they would be closer to 30% capacity. Sometimes it’s good to be wrong. And early indicators suggest our numbers will remain solid next year too. While our first New Student Information Night had to be held on Zoom, we were pleased there was higher than average attendance.

Having students physically back on campus has re-energized the school. There is no substitute for in-person teaching and learning. Zoom opportunities are still available to students who test positive for COVID or who are deemed close contacts with positive cases and, therefore, must self-isolate. Masks are mandatory on campus, with a handful of exemptions for certain activities. We also have infrared thermometers at our Royal Street entrance, Plexiglas dividers between

students in their classrooms, and added sanitization schedules and equipment. (Teachers note that the masks and dividers not only stifle classroom discussions on occasion, but also make it more challenging to identify students and to read their facial expressions, though such was even more true when attempting to teach through Zoom in early spring 2020.) All employees and guests to our campus must provide POV or proof of a recent negative test.

After having to suspend virtually all co-curricular opportunities during the 2020-2021 academic year, we were excited to be able to resume most this fall, including LIVT, the musical, soccer, cross-country, volleyball and football, to name some. We also plan to proceed – with our fingers crossed – with our traditional Candlelight Services and LIT.

Parent-teacher interviews, Board meetings, Ministry meetings – indeed most meetings – continue to be held via Zoom. Chapel is too, though we have begun experimenting with the grade 12’s attending in person in the Belsher Heritage Center while other grades participate online from their period 3 classrooms. In what must be a first, the grade 12 students cheered when they learned that they would be returning to in-person chapels. I’m sure any of you who ever skipped chapel must be shaking your heads and smiling.

“How is the school doing during the pandemic?” The Luther mission and community have proven to be more persistent and adaptable than COVID. Once again, our people have put community safety and well-being ahead of personal interest. Most of all, we are thankful for our numerous blessings, not the least of which is that we have been able to continue teaching and learning with young people from all over the world.

The peace and anticipatory joy of the Advent season be yours,

Dr. Mark Anderson
Principal/Head of School

ALUMNI PROFILE

RORI LEE (HS'87, U'97)*By Sabrina Cataldo, BA'97, BJ'99*

"I didn't choose it; it chose me," is how Rori (Lawson) Lee responds when you ask her how she became a registered psychologist.

When she graduated from Luther College High School in 1987, Lee didn't plan on going to university. Instead, she went to SIAST (now

"My grades weren't good enough, but Steve went to bat for me. Because of that class, I felt like I could do university. I didn't realize how profound it was until later."

Saskatchewan Polytechnic) and took an administrative assistant course, working for law firms for a number of years and then doing clerical work in nutrition for the health district in Regina.

At this point she realized she needed "something more" and decided that university was her next step. But what would she study? One of the first professors she met at Luther College at the University of Regina was Paul Antrobus, who inspired her to major in psychology. She convocated with a Bachelor of Arts Honours in 1997.

Lee was instrumental in setting up the student-led Peer Support Program at Luther College. "A

group of us were talking about seeing students struggle with course work or personal issues. There were not a lot of options at that time to seek out counselling from a professional, especially on campus," she says. They approached Mary Hampton and Paul Antrobus to get the program up and running. "I know a lot of people who have come through Luther who have benefitted from it."

Knowing it's difficult to have a career in psychology with only a BA, Lee pursued a master's degree in education from the University of Regina, convocating in 2001.

After a few terms with Counselling Services at the U of R, she decided that traditional counselling wasn't for her. Working with kids appealed a lot more; she applied as a school counsellor in Yorkton, but there was also an educational psychologist position available. When they offered her both jobs, she chose the latter because it happened to have a higher salary. "I feel like I fell into it, but I think there was divine intervention. I have a skill set that meshes really well with this position. I've really grown into it, and this is where I'm supposed to be," she says.

In her current position as a psychologist with Regina Public Schools, Lee assesses students having learning issues. "We need

to understand the 'why?' in order to develop interventions specific to them that will hopefully change the trajectory of what they're feeling in terms of frustration," she says. She also supports students with behavioural challenges and teachers who need to adapt the curriculum to accommodate students' needs.

Lee's experience at Luther College helped set her up for success in her career. When she was disengaged with high school and bored with the English curriculum, Steve Haddad encouraged her to go into the English IB program. "My grades weren't good enough, but Steve went to bat for me. Because of that class, I felt like I could do university. I didn't realize how profound it was until later," Lee recalls.

Barb Wright was also instrumental. "Math is not my forte. Barb was one of the few teachers in terms of math that I actually understood. I never wanted to work with numbers, but now I work with stats in my job every day," Lee laughs.

And when she wrote her licensing exam to become a registered psychologist, Hampton was top of mind. "Mary's exams were always really hard, so the licensing exam wasn't the hardest exam I'd ever written. I was so thankful for that," Lee says.

Lee has been active in leadership roles with the Saskatchewan College of Psychologists, her profession's regulating body. She has served on its council for eight years, starting as secretary, and then moving on to president elect, president

and past president. She credits Antrobus, who was so generous with his time, for inspiring her to give back to the community. "I firmly believe in continuing to volunteer and support people coming into the profession," says Lee, who mentors new professionals and supervises practicum students and provisional members, who have to fulfil requirements before they can practise independently.

One of Lee's proudest accomplishments is the role she played in establishing the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Task Force for the Saskatchewan College of Psychologists. "We are addressing the calls to action and embracing reconciliation within the college," Lee says. The group's first meeting happened to be on the day that 215 Indigenous children's graves were discovered at a residential school in B.C. "It was very poignant, and there was a sense of urgency in moving forward. But it takes time, and we're trying to be very respectful and do it in the right way. We don't need to colonize this process, as well."

As a seasoned member of the profession, Lee is beginning to think about what she wants to leave behind. "I want to leave a legacy of moving forward in terms of

reconciliation. I feel we've inherited this issue – all of us have – and we have to be part of that solution. I hope it takes fewer generations to heal than it took to damage things."



Rori at her home office during COVID.

Homecoming

OCTOBER 2022

We are tentatively planning to host Homecoming on campus during October 2022. This would include an evening reception for all classes, followed by tours, chapel and a banquet the next day. We will follow all public health guidelines in place at the time.

THIS INCLUDES:

- The Class of 1957 celebrating their 65th
- Homecoming would also be open to the classes of 1967, 1962, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002, and 2012
- The Class of 1972 celebrating their 50th

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ALUMNI PROFILE

ANDREW TRAN (HS'16) **JENNIFER TRAN (HS'15)** **KIM TRAN (HS'13, U'17)**

By Sabrina Cataldo, BA'97, BJ '99



ANDREW TRAN

The Tran siblings, Andrew, Jenn and Kim, have all followed very different career paths, but what they have in common is where those paths began: Luther College.

Andrew says, "When I was in grade 9, Jenn was in grade 10 and Kim was in grade 12. It was nice to know I had a support system when I had questions about classes or teachers. It was nice to know we had each other's backs. We still talk about Luther memories to this day. Luther has really shaped us to be the people that we are today."

Andrew originally thought he was destined to go into the medical field, but "it turns out my fear of blood and bodily fluids didn't help!" he laughs. Instead, he earned a bachelor of business administration degree from the Paul J. Hill School of Business at the University of Regina (2020) and now works in human resources at Farm Credit Canada. "HR was my calling, because it allowed me to use my values of helping people and it also allows me to interact with people, which is what I love to do," he says. "Luther definitely helped me with the competencies I use in my career now, such as my work ethic, time management, and analytical and communications skills."

Kim didn't have the same aversion to bodily fluids as Andrew, so she became a registered nurse after earning a bachelor's degree in science (psychology) at Luther College and a nursing degree through the Saskatchewan Polytechnic–University of Regina collaborative program (2020). Kim currently works at Regina General Hospital in the neonatal intensive

care unit. She recently worked on a medicine unit with people who have chronic illnesses. She is grateful for her psychology degree, as she is able to make a difference in patients' lives, mentally and emotionally as well as physically. "When you see a patient, who has been feeling down, with a smile on their face, that's one of the best feelings."

Kim believes that Luther prepared her not only academically for university, but also for life.

"Luther prepared us to understand the information we are receiving and taught us to have knowledgeable conversations regarding the issues, as well as to be an advocate."

"Something that is so amazing about Luther is the diversity we see among the students, paired with the contemporary teachings. Although we were a school that was Christian-based, we were also taught to be accepting of other religions, races and the LGBTQIA+ communities," she says. "With the societal issues coming to light in our world today, whether that be mental health issues, Black Lives Matter, et cetera, I feel as though Luther prepared us to understand the information we are receiving and taught us to have knowledgeable conversations regarding the issues, as well as to be an advocate."



JENNIFER TRAN



KIM TRAN

Since graduating from Luther, Jenn has made her way from Regina to Pennsylvania to New York to London, England. She convocated from the prestigious Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and now works as a private equity analyst. Her team deals with pension funds and private, public and sovereign wealth funds. Jenn enjoys learning about different sectors, how new companies are innovating and how that innovation drives value financially. "It's exciting that I'm working with these huge institutions – public pensions and big companies. It's great to have that exposure at this young age," she says.

Jenn notes that opportunities to play team sports at Luther helped her gain the skills needed to excel on her career path; team collaboration is a key skill that she has carried with her. One of her fondest memories was as a member of the Senior Girls Volleyball team: "We were the underdogs, and we went to the finals in the Luther Invitational Volleyball Tournament. I remember I had a big block during the game. We didn't win, but it was still amazing."

In addition to her career in finance, Jenn is a visual artist. Her talent was developed in an art class with Drew Hunter and through painting decorative murals for the Luther Invitational Tournament. She has since shown pieces in gallery shows, participated in community art projects and sold her art to people from around the world. While she has less time to make art these days, Jenn does have a blank canvas in her flat, just waiting for her next inspiration.

Kim says that, at almost every family supper, "We still talk about our days at Luther. We try to convince all of our cousins to go!" She goes on to say, "Luther impacted our lives tremendously and continues to make us want to push ourselves to be our best selves in life."



The Tran siblings at Homecoming 2013: Kim and Jenn played in an alumni volleyball game. Andrew was in grade 10.



Graduation 2016: The Tran family at the grad banquet.



ALUMNI PROFILE

NATHANAEL BERGBUSCH (HS'13, U'17)

By Sabrina Cataldo, BA'97, BJ'99

Had you told Nathanael Bergbusch when he was a teen that he was going to be a biologist someday, he would have laughed: "It was my worst subject in high school." Fortunately, he appreciated a challenge and was encouraged by Luther College teachers such as Dave Hall and Derek Frostad.

After graduating from high school in 2013 with Luther's highest accolade, the Principal's Gold Medal, Bergbusch went on to earn his BSc from Luther College in 2017, and his MSc from the University of Regina in 2020.

His master's thesis, *The Impact of a Nitrogen-Removal Wastewater Upgrade on Primary Producers in Phosphorous-rich Streams of the Northern Great Plains*, focuses on the impact of Regina's \$158-million wastewater treatment plant upgrade on the water quality of Wascana Creek

of Regina Service Award for his community involvement.

That community involvement began in high school, where he joined an Amnesty International club, which introduced him to the environmental justice movement. He says, "I feel I'm bringing the background I got from Luther into my PhD on environmental assessment and justice. We need to make sure water quality is good for everyone."

Bergbusch is pursuing his doctorate in social and ecological sustainability at the University of Waterloo. "I'm looking at how to ensure good governance for communities living within or near watersheds, so they can make decisions – through environmental impact assessment – to make sure they're benefitting," he explains. "I'm learning about new concepts that are really important to me, such as ecological grief – how we mourn ecosystems and the fact that future generations won't have the things we have. I want to make sure we are not a society that is grieving forest fires, water that's contaminated, the things we love that keep us going."

Another legacy of his time at Luther is Bergbusch's interest in a wide variety of disciplines. "Luther is an amazing place because it challenges you in a number of subjects. Now that I'm doing more interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary work, I'm returning to those roots," he says. He is passionate about making science more accessible to the public. In 2018, he spearheaded the University of Regina's

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Luther's engaging, interactive classrooms also helped. "In biology, we would go outside and do activities at Wascana Creek," he remembers. "I've always been interested in the natural world and how living things work. There are a lot of crises in the world, such as climate change and environmental pollution. I wanted to understand the biology behind them and help make the world more sustainable."

and the Qu'Appelle River. "Water quality is an issue that impacts us all. I find it fascinating what comes together to form this system – wastewater, agriculture, climate change. How do you manage that and improve the quality of water?" he asks.

When Bergbusch convoked with his graduate degree, he received the Governor General's Academic Gold Medal for his exemplary scholarship, as well as a United Nations Sustainable Education Award and a University

contribution to the annual Treaty 4 Gathering in Fort Qu'Appelle, where 700 kids came through their educational teepee. Bergbusch facilitated educational activities on freshwater science, organized speakers, and handed out wetland conservation native plants.

His scientific outreach can also be a bit unorthodox. In 2017, he used his background in improv theatre (which began at Luther under Kris Dueck) while serving as a host for Swamp Fest. The music festival takes place on Willow Island in Regina each summer and features the mascot T.A.B., or Toxic Algae Blob, a nod to the notorious water issues in Wascana Lake. Bergbusch took the opportunity to make jokes about how the water quality is a monster in some ways and to talk about how we can fix it together. "It was fun to be part of that festival," he says.

In his academic life, Bergbusch has published in multiple freshwater biology, oceanography and limnology journals and has spoken at national and international conferences. In 2019, he presented his master's research at the Association for Limnologists and Oceanography (ASLO) conference in Puerto Rico, where he also participated in the community's rebuilding efforts in the wake of the devastation caused by Hurricanes Irma and Maria.

After he completes his PhD, Bergbusch hopes to work with the Canadian Water Agency, the United Nations, and Environment and Climate Change Canada. He is also interested in teaching and research program development and working with non-government organizations and Indigenous Nations.

"Luther really pushed me to learn and work hard. That drive is what stuck with me," he says. "It pushed me to see how I can help society on a larger scale and what my role could be."



Top and bottom photos: Nathanael in the field.

ALUMNI PROFILE

ANN JOHNSON (HS'92)*By Sabrina Cataldo, BA'97, BJ'99*

At the age of 30, Ann Johnson was eight years into her career at Luther College, where she taught physical education and math and coached girls' volleyball and basketball. "When I was a high school student, I loved playing sports! I was always angry that girl

you have full sensation, all five senses work, but you are locked inside a body where no muscles work. I learned to breathe on my own again, I now have full neck movement, my laugh returned, I can cry and read, and, over the years, my smile has returned, and I am able to wink and say a few words." Johnson communicates mainly by using a head mouse to type on a computer.

Thirteen years after her stroke, Johnson was deeply moved

time, my daughter, Gracelen, was in grade 9 [at Luther College] and being diagnosed with a processing disability. I decided to push through my fears and show her that disabilities don't need to stop us or slow us down," she writes.

In a paper she wrote for a 400-level psychology class, Johnson explains that there are four main events in her life that have contributed to her values, beliefs, attitudes and worldview. "From growing up on the farm, I learned the values of family, community, sharing and hard work. When I went to university, I learned the value of an active life. As a teacher, I learned the value of education and kindness. My stroke made me value empathy and choice. Having been a teacher and coach, I believe strongly that change is possible. I believe we as people do better when we know better and, because of this, I believe education is a human right."

"A big reason I want to participate in this study is because it's so cool! I get to train to be a Jedi and move things with just my thoughts. I think this is an amazing opportunity."

athletes didn't get to experience a Luther Invitational Tournament environment, so when I started teaching at Luther, I started Luther Invitational Volleyball Tournament with Mark Leupold. I made the whole school come out and cheer for those girls!"

Johnson was enjoying her life with a 13-month-old daughter, an eight-year-old stepson and a 26-month-old marriage, when she experienced a rare brainstem stroke. "Overnight, everything was taken away from me," she writes.

The stroke left her with Locked-in Syndrome (LIS). "LIS is just like it sounds. You're fully cognizant,

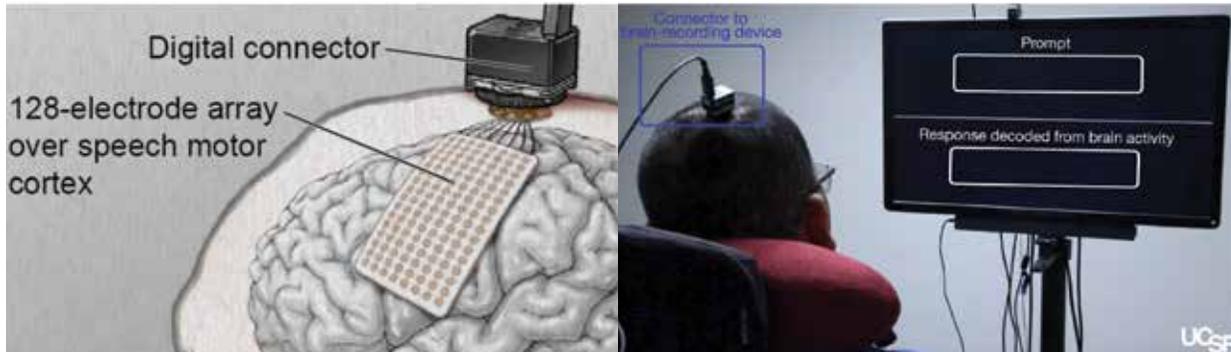
by the Humboldt Broncos bus crash. A few days after the tragedy, there was a call on the news for trauma counsellors. "It woke me up! I thought, 'That's something I can do,'" she recalls. She communicated her new plan to be a counsellor to her case worker, who suggested she find an introductory counselling class online to see if she liked it. Within a day, Johnson had found a course through Athabasca University and was in contact with its disability office.

"I had minimal computer skills and, being a math and science person, the thought of writing papers scared me. At the same

Johnson's intention was to take a graduate course and become a counsellor in a stroke ward at a physical rehabilitation hospital. But then she discovered a research study that could potentially change her life and make a difference in the lives of others with similar disabilities. She has recently been chosen to participate in a clinical trial offered by the Departments of Neurology and Neurosurgery at the University of California, San Francisco. The study will evaluate the impact of an Electrocochography Grid Neural Implant on long-term communication and movement restoration.

Neural Implant: Electrocorticography (ECoG) Grid

ECoG is a methodology that enables recording of neural activity from the brain surface using implanted electrodes



Neural Implant: Electrocoorticography (ECoG) Grid. Image credit University of California San Francisco.

"I always knew that my injury was rare, and living in Regina was remote. My kids were young when my stroke happened, and I knew participating in a study would mean leaving them. So, I waited until this summer to volunteer – my kids are now 25 and 17," she writes. "A big reason I want to participate in this study is because it's so cool! I get to train to be a Jedi and move things

with just my thoughts. I think this is an amazing opportunity." Johnson is one of only eight participants in the study and the only Canadian.

The research study will take place over the course of six years and requires that Johnson live in San Francisco. "The cost of living in the Bay Area is a high barrier. All medical costs are covered by the

study; I just need to cover my living costs," Johnson writes. She has started a GoFundMe page called "Ann's Medical Research Study" for this purpose. "There are no guarantees, but my hope is that my right hand will improve enough to run a power wheelchair. It will also allow me to feel like I'm giving back. Maybe one day, I will be able to make an ALS patient's life better."

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DONOR PROFILE **CORINNE NORBRATEN (HS'78, U'81)**

It was a given that Corinne Norbraten would attend Luther College. “My parents are both alumni. I just assumed I would have the privilege of going. That was how it was put forward to my brothers and I: ‘Isn’t it exciting? As soon as you’re old enough, you can go to Luther!’” she says. “Luther is our school just like the Riders are still my team. I’ve switched provinces several times but still wear green and white.”

Norbraten’s mother, Vivian (HS’51), was a Luther alumni director; her late father, Gerry (HS’50), served Luther through his architectural practice, and her brothers, Garth (HS’77) and Erik (HS’82), are also alumni, with Erik often doing graphic design work for the school.

Norbraten’s first memory of the high school is a fond one – attending the opening night of its first-ever musical, *Oliver*. “There was a live orchestra

and it was mesmerizing to watch my 14-year-old brother [Garth] and his friends on stage, looking so professional. I thought, ‘I hope I get to do that one day.’”

She did go on to be involved in every musical presented during her time at Luther, and she also sang in the school’s choirs. That experience serves her well today as a member of the acclaimed Elektra Women’s Choir in Vancouver, where she now lives. Norbraten is in her twenty-first season with the choir, which has travelled and performed internationally. “We weren’t on the marquee at Carnegie Hall, but we were invited to sing there, which was wonderful,” she says. “My Luther music background was the preparation for so many opportunities.”

Her other activities at the high school included serving as head of the cheerleading squads and

secretary of the student representative council, as well as being elected Miss Luther Lion in 1978. "It's fun to open a yearbook and find pictures of my 16-year-old self with braids, wearing black-and-gold plaid," she says.

After high school, Norbraten went on to get her BA in Fine Arts from Luther College at the University of Regina, a choice that opened doors for her. She is currently sales manager and partner for Ayrtyght Clothing in Vancouver. While attending university, she worked for the Hudson's Bay Company and, afterward, her degree enabled her to enter their executive training program, which launched her career in the fashion industry. Her degree, plus 30 years of experience, also led to her teaching as a sessional faculty member at Wilson School of Design at Kwantlen Polytechnic University.

In 1999, Norbraten's maternal grandmother passed away. She had been a teacher in a one-room schoolhouse who valued education greatly, so it made sense to donate to Luther in her memory. Norbraten started her monthly giving with \$25 a month.

Why support Luther and not some other educational institution? "It is the school that my family has such affection for. I realize, in hindsight, how many things I was able to try, advantages of being part of a smaller student body," she says. "I wouldn't have considered supporting a different educational institution. Luther is special."

In addition to being a consistent, long-term donor, Norbraten maintains her connection to the school by helping to arrange alumni events in Vancouver. Whenever she meets another Luther grad, she feels an affinity. "The Luther connection doesn't know borders; it's enough to have gone to the school to create something in common." Norbraten travels to Regina regularly to visit family and friends, always trying to plan a trip to align with the high school's Luther Invitational Basketball Tournament (LIT). "Sitting in the stands, feeling the same school spirit, and seeing so many others who have also come back brings such good memories."

Norbraten's philanthropy stems from her upbringing as well. "I remember a foundation of the church I grew up in, that we are invited to give of ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Over the years, my monthly donation amount has varied. Sometimes I've been able to give more, but sometimes it was my time that was more abundant, and I could help organize an event. Sometimes I've been able to be an ambassador, perhaps inspiring someone else to be supportive," she notes. "Life goes up and down, but over 22 years, even small contributions add up."



Miss Luther Lion 1978.



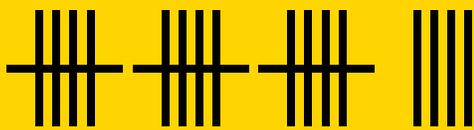
The Norbraten family in 1996: Garth, Vivian, Erik, Corinne and Gerry. Photo courtesy Don Webb

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STUDENTS ENROLLED

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE



19

48

DORM STUDENTS

STUDENTS FROM

33

countries of origin

37 ESL STUDENTS

There was **no musical** in 2020-2021 due to COVID. It was the **FIRST YEAR** there were **no formal arts or athletics in-person events.**



L.I.T #69 in 2021 was **cancelled** for the **first time in the history** of the tournament due to COVID restrictions.

8

WEEKS

of online learning due to **COVID**



INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE:

90% of **grade 11** and **47%** of **grade 12** students took at least one course. **20 students** participated in the diploma program.



77 GRADUATES
99% pursued
post-secondary

5

MOST POPULAR
post-secondary
universities:

- LCUR
- UofR
- UofA
- UofS
- UBC

Most *popular* fields of study after graduation:

- 1. SCIENCE**
- 2. MEDICINE**
- 3. BUSINESS ADMIN**



212
STUDENTS
WERE ON THE
HONOUR ROLL
(80-100% averages)

\$735,548

dispersed in **FINANCIAL**
AID and **BURSARIES**

24%

of students
received financial
aid and bursaries

114 **LCHS**
EMPLOYEES



The Luther Parents' Association held an online comedian fundraiser, raising **\$12,000** for pandemic expenses

463

Donors gave back over **1.7 million dollars** to **Luther College High School**: alumni, current faculty & staff, retired/past faculty & staff, current parents, past parents, board members, friends and foundations.

The **2020 Distinguished Service Award** recipient for the High School was posthumously awarded to Professor Paul Liefeld. This award recognizes members of the Luther community for ongoing loyalty, commitment, outstanding contribution and service.

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Total Enrolment



Luther College instructors taught **4,422** university and federated college students in **109** courses within **18** disciplines.

EST. 2021

The Luther College **PRESIDENT'S SCHOLARSHIP** was established for both the High School and University campuses.



DONORS GAVE BACK

\$48,000

to Luther College at the University of Regina.



DEAN'S HONOUR ROLL

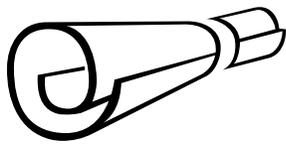
Fall 2020, Winter and Spring/Summer 2021:

193 students with a

GPA over 85%

We recognize members of the Luther Community for ongoing loyalty, commitment, outstanding contribution and service.

The 2020 Distinguished Service Award for the University campus was posthumously awarded to Professor Paul Antrobus and former Board Chair Harold Dietrich.



107 Spring 2021 graduates received **110** credentials:

- **98** degrees
- **1** diploma
- **11** certificates

13 Fall 2021 graduates received **14** credentials:

- **9** degrees
- **1** diploma
- **4** certificates

857



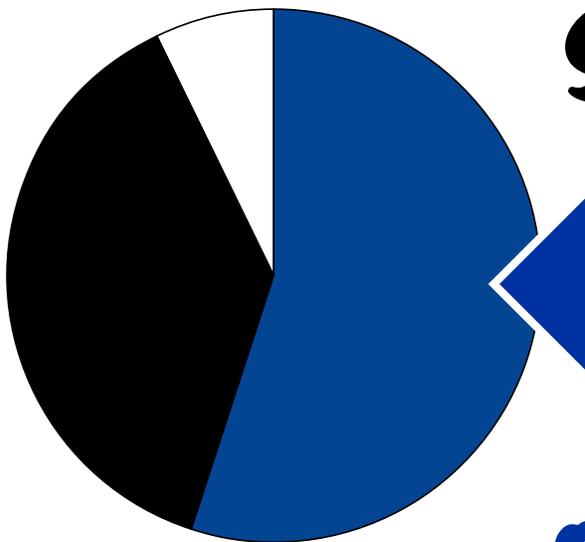
ONE-ON-ONE advising appointments

\$114,450

dispersed in **SCHOLARSHIPS** and **BURSARIES**

FUN FACT

Spring 2021 was the largest grad class Luther has had at a single ceremony!



96 NEW STUDENTS registered for Fall 2021

55% Faculty of Science

38% Faculty of Arts

7% Faculty of Media Art and Performance

123 LCUR EMPLOYEES

84% of new LCUR students came from Regina and area high schools:

- Lumsden High School
- Luther College High School
- Thom Collegiate
- Campbell Collegiate

OUR STUDENTS WERE ACCEPTED INTO PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS LIKE:

- ✓ Pharmacy at the University of Saskatchewan
- ✓ Law at Western University
- ✓ Optometry at the University of Waterloo, and Oregon
- ✓ Medicine at McMaster, and the University of British Columbia

On Campus HIGH SCHOOL

DISNEY'S FROZEN JR. - THE MUSICAL RETURNED!

October 2021 marked the resurrection of the annual musical production with the show *Frozen Jr.* in the Merlis Belsher Heritage Centre. This show was the first live music event since December 2019, and with anticipation, students and staff began the production process in May 2020. Over 80 students and staff were involved in the cast, pit orchestra, backstage crew, lighting and sound crews, costumes, hair and makeup teams and set design. Due to the COVID restrictions placed on performing arts, staff and students took utmost precautions to ensure that the safety of the performers and audience were a top priority. This included the use of masks for performers and audience members as well as reduced in-house seating. The production was also the first

ever livestream performance of the show, allowing the musical to be viewed across Canada.



Frozen Jr. tells the story of two sisters – Elsa, played by Jocelyn Heroux, and Anna, played by Angela Mari Dela Santa – and their journey of sisterhood.

HOMECOMING AT MOSAIC STADIUM

All Luther alumni events came to a halt with the COVID pandemic. But, finally on Friday, September 24, we held an alumni reception at Mosaic Stadium while the Luther Lions played on the field. It was a great chance to reconnect in a safe way! We celebrated the alumni who would have had a reunion in 2020 as well as those celebrating in 2021.



Some members of the Class of 1985 – Back row from left: Randy Brooks, Jeff Mann, Darick Forbes, Dave McHattie, Doug Laird, Darren Dyck, Jim Slinn. Front from left: Karen Mallory (Strong), Shawn Silzer, Andrea Wagner

LIVT RESUMED IN SEPTEMBER 2021

The annual Luther Invitational Volleyball Tournament (LIVT) returned this year after a COVID-induced hiatus last year. As the first major event in the school calendar, LIVT took on special significance this year as an indication that school life was slowly returning to “normal”. Students were so excited to be able to host once again this year, and signed up for committees in record numbers.

To keep numbers manageable, the tournament was limited to eight teams participating this year. From Regina, invitees were Campbell, LeBoldus, Miller; from outside the city, the tournament also included teams from Greenall, Oxbow, Lumsden and Lanigan. Congratulations to the 2021 champion Greenall Griffins! We look forward to hosting this tournament again next year, hopefully at full capacity.



Oxbow takes on Luther at LIVT.

NEW UNDERGRAD RESEARCH JOURNAL

A small group of students, many from Luther College at the University of Regina, are behind the new *University of Regina Undergraduate Research Journal (URJ)*. The journal is a student-led interdisciplinary initiative at the U of R to share undergrad research in an open-source, peer-reviewed journal. This project provides an important opportunity for students to learn how to prepare, submit, and revise their work for publication. Those students involved in the production of the journal are gaining a wide range of valuable skills and experience as well.



The *URJ* editorial board has over 15 students from across campus, with seven students from Luther, four of whom are on the executive, including Kiegan Lloyd, the journal's Editor-in-chief. Two of the three faculty advisors are also from Luther: Dr. Yvonne Petry and Dr. Scott Wilson.

Sarah Nakonechny, Luther student and *URJ*'s Executive Administrator, says undergrad journals aren't as common in Western Canada as they are in places like Ontario and Quebec. "The first few months were spent researching undergrad journals at other Canadian and American universities." The group saw an opportunity within the University of Regina community to give undergrad students the opportunity to participate in the publication process. "Submissions can be work students have written for existing courses – it doesn't have to be new work. Once students have made their submission, we have graduate students who can help with rejections or revisions. It's a learning process for students."

The *URJ* will accept undergraduate research on all topics from any discipline. The current call for submissions is open until December 22, 2021. Find more information at www.ureginaurj.ca.

VIRTUAL LUTHER LECTURE

The Luther Lecture returned virtually this fall, and featured Dr. Azza Karam, Secretary General of Religions for Peace. "Religions and the Pandemic: Sobering or Hopeful?" was her topic, and she shared with us her message of post-pandemic recovery – that building back better should really be building back together as a community regardless of faith background. Even in a digital space, it was wonderful to gather as a community. We are grateful to our sponsors, Canadian Lutheran World Relief, Faith Life Financial, and the James Kurtz Memorial Trust Fund.

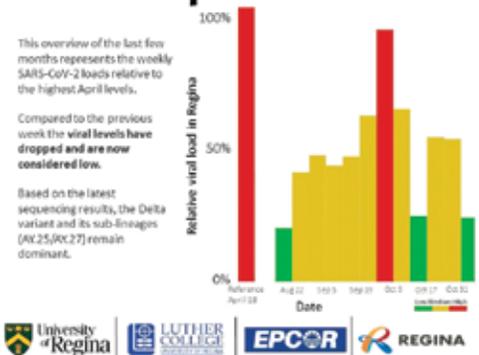


WASTEWATER RESEARCH TO DETERMINE SARS-COV-2 PRESENCE

Luther College is proud to support high-impact research that better our community. Dr. Nicole Hansmeier, an Assistant Professor of Biology at Luther College, is part of a team of researchers at the University of Regina analyzing Regina wastewater streams to determine the presence of the virus that causes COVID-19.

Since August 2020, the researchers have been surveying Regina's wastewater streams for SARS-CoV-2 (the virus causing COVID-19), in collaboration with the City of Regina and EPCOR, to support the Saskatchewan Health Authority. People with COVID-19 shed the virus in their stool, regardless of whether they have symptoms or get tested. Shedding also continues for awhile after recovery. Since everyone uses the washroom, wastewater analysis provides an overview of current COVID-19 infections.

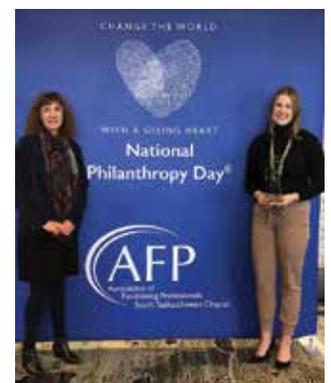
Regina Wastewater Update



LUTHER STUDENT NAMED OUTSTANDING YOUTH PHILANTHROPIST

Emily Lints, a Luther College at the University of Regina student received the Outstanding Youth Philanthropist award from the Association of Fundraising Professionals – South Saskatchewan chapter. The award was in recognition of National Philanthropy Day 2021.

Emily received this award because she founded the Non-Profit Youth Leadership Network. The organization's mission is "To connect and educate both youth volunteers and employees through one nation-wide network, fostering effective youth engagement in non-profit organizations across Canada." Emily now serves as the Executive Director.



Dr. Yvonne Petry, Dean, with Emily Lints

50th ANNIVERSARY

OF LUTHER COLLEGE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA



Online Store NOW OPEN!

In celebration of 50 years at the University campus, we have launched a new online merchandise store. You can pick your item, customize the colour and placement of the logo, order it, and it ships directly to you (free shipping in Canada for purchases over \$85).

After \$1,000 in sales, Luther College starts to receive 10% of the profits, so not only will you look good in your new gear, but you are also doing good by supporting Luther financially!

<https://luthercollegeuofr.entripyshops.com/>
Start shopping TODAY!



Contribute to our special anniversary issue!

The Spring 2022 issue of the *Luther Story* will be a special 50th Anniversary issue and we want to FILL the pages with stories and memories from our alumni and past/retired faculty and staff from each decade – the '70's, '80's, '90's, 2000's and 2010's

We want to hear from you – tell us your treasured memories of your time at Luther College, whether that was in the classroom or living in the residence. Share your stories about friendships, laughter, learning, and growth. Send your submission (and a photo) to lutherstory@luthercollege.edu by February 14, 2022.

Calling ALL Volunteers!

Luther College at the University of Regina will be ending its year-long 50th Anniversary festivities with a bang by hosting a celebration in June 2022 to welcome alumni and past/retired faculty and staff back to the University campus to commemorate this milestone in Luther's history.

We need volunteers to:

- Reconnect with their fellow alumni – preferably one from each quad/decade
- Someone to collect any archival items and pictures from over the decades
- Decorating a classroom for each decade with items from that time period
- Help with registration tables and info booths

We are looking for volunteers to help in the planning and hosting of this momentous celebration. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Michelle Clark (U'04) at michelle.clark@luthercollege.edu.

I AM
~~NOT GOOD~~
ENOUGH

from THE PULPIT

I'm Diane Nokonechny, a fourth-year Lutheran Theological Seminary student, and I am currently on internship at both Luther College High School and Trinity Lutheran Church here in Regina.

My internship started in December of 2020, but because of the pandemic I was unable to be on campus with the students. My connection to the community came through chapel via Zoom, which was not ideal but better than nothing. I am now on campus two days a week and am absolutely loving it! It has been such a blessing to get to know the students and the staff. I have this unique relationship with the students because I am not their teacher or their principal or their dorm supervisor... I get to just be Pastor Diane to them, and that has opened up space to have some great conversations with students, whether over lunch in the cafeteria, at sports events or in the Commons.

When I arrived on campus, I was told that the students refer to more traditional church-type chapels as "Jesus-y" chapels, so I've claimed that name for the chapels I lead. Because the Luther community has students from many different faith traditions, it's important to me that everyone feel welcome to be a part of Jesus-y Chapel. Simple words, such as beginning prayer with "God who is known by many names," using inclusive language for God, and putting images in my PowerPoints that are reflective of the diversity of the community are just some of the ways I'm trying to do this. A few weeks ago, a student asked if I would use a prayer

that is important to him from his Muslim faith. It was a beautiful prayer and I suggested that he say it in Arabic and I would say it in English. To my surprise and delight, he sang his part.... It was an amazing way to start off a Monday morning!

Although it's been a while since I was a teenager, I still remember what it was like... trying to figure out who you are and what your place in the world is, all while dealing with pressures from peers and a society that has no shortage of messages to tell us we are not enough... not smart enough, not pretty enough, not skinny enough. I am humbled to proclaim the Gospel to these young people each day in a million small ways, by reminding them that they *are* enough – that they are loved by God, just as they are, and that nothing will ever change that. And the best way I know how to do that is to simply be present with them. Francis of Assisi is quoted as saying, "Preach the Gospel at all times. Use words if necessary." Perhaps that's exactly what campus ministry is all about.



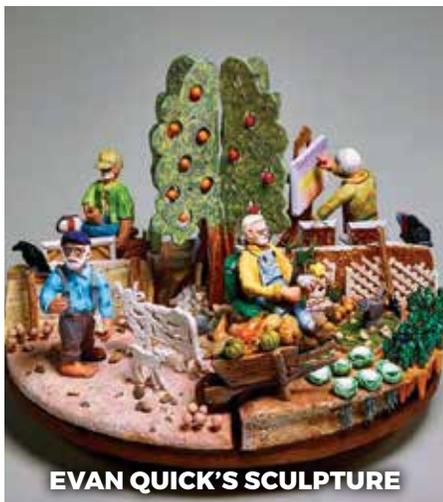
CLASS NOTES

1950's

Crystal (Dunning) Frisk (attended 1956–58) was inducted into the Regina Sports Hall of Fame 2021. Crystal was the Saskatchewan women's curling champion in 1977, and later won five provincial senior titles. Between 1977 and 2017, she competed in 37 provincial championships at different levels.

1960's

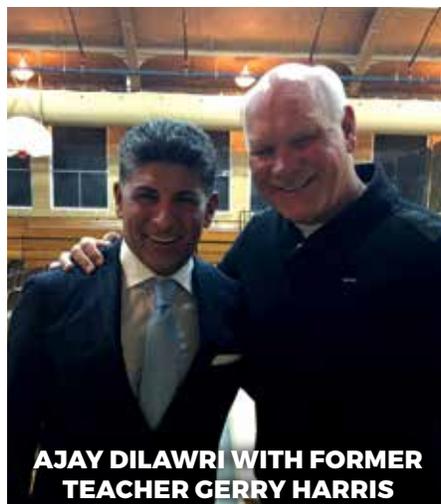
Evan Quick (HS'69) retired from 35+ years with Air Canada and has resumed his career as a ceramic artist. He recently won the Excellence in Clay award in the Saskatchewan Craft Council Dimensions 2021 juried art exhibition.



1980's

Ajay Dilawri (HS'87) was a recipient of the Order of British Columbia in 2021. Ajay was recognized as a leading entrepreneur whose vision, perseverance, leadership, and social conscience continues to improve the lives of many people.

Ajay and his brothers, Kap and Tony, are the founders of the Dilawri Group – the largest automotive group in Canada. With 24 dealerships in B.C. alone, he supports more than 2,000 employees and their families in his home province. His significant investment in electrical vehicle development is also helping address climate change and contributes to a greener economy.



With a focus on children and healthy outcomes, the Dilawri Foundation has donated tens of millions of dollars to help charitable causes in health care, mental health, education, autism, and public safety. Ajay believes that by giving children a solid foundation early in life, they are infinitely more likely to thrive in the future. Luther College High School is a proud benefactor of the Dilawri Foundation.

Speers Funeral and Cremation Services was named the 2021 Regina Business of the Year and won the category for Customer Service Excellence at the recent Paragon Business Excellence Awards. The President of Speers is Todd Lumbar, a member and supporter of the Luther

community, as all three of his children are alumni, **Drew (HS'14)**, **Brock (HS'16)** and **Luke (HS'19)**, Alumnus and former Board member **Jeff Christianson (HS'84, U'90)**, is the Vice President of Operations at Speers as well.

1990's

Lyndsay Duncombe (HS'96) has returned to Canada after 10 years in the United States – including time as a producer in Los Angeles and the Senior Editor in Washington. She'll be reporting from Vancouver on CBC Television, radio and online. "I'm thrilled to be one flight (and no closed borders!) away from family and am excited to apply all I've learned to telling stories in Canada." You can follow her on Twitter @lyndsaid.



2000's

Charles Anderson (U'03) has published a poem in the *New York Times*. Under his pen name Rolli, the poem "Brooklyn, 1:10 a.m." was published in both the print and online editions, accompanied by a drawing by veteran *Times* illustrator Agnes Lee. Also, *The Saturday Evening Post* published

his short story "Pyle and the Lion," accompanied by one of his original drawings. This is his fifth short story for the *Post*. You can follow him on Twitter @rolliwrites.



(Brooklyn, 1:10 a.m.)

Dear Diary:

Someone was singing,
and our hearts,
for one decimal
of time, broke open.

Men stepped in-
to windows,
and women, listening.

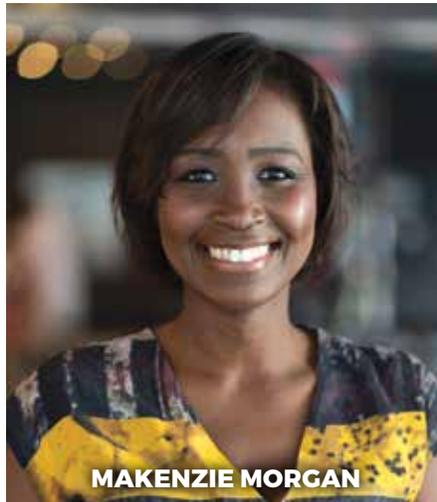
For there is
for so few
any pleasure —
for even rich men.
For anyone.

I leaned
on a lamppost,
listening and listening.

I did not dare stir
until the singer finished.

— Rolli

Makenzie Morgan (HS'02, U'06) is the new Director of Community Partnerships and Programs for the Canadian Opera Company – a prestigious position in the opera world.



MAKENZIE MORGAN

Derrick Emsley (HS'08), CEO and co-founder of tentree, recently created an accounting system – veritree – to make tree planting programs more accountable. Emsley has said he hopes it will form “an operating system for the restoration economy.” tentree sells sustainable apparel as a vehicle to plant trees, planting 10 trees for every item sold.

2010's

Austin Josephson (HS'10, U'15) has been working as an Office Assistant with the Dept. of Literacy and Adult Education at Saskatchewan Polytechnic Regina Campus for the past three years. His job allows him the opportunity to assist students, colleagues, and community members in a variety of ways. He says, “I feel part of an incredible team of instructors, program heads, and fellow admin staff. The work we do allows adult learners

the opportunity to achieve their grade 12 in a positive learning environment.” Austin’s special memory of Luther College is “singing in Senior Choir at the Candlelight Service in December 2009 – my grade 12 Year. Being directed by Dr. Melissa Morgan was truly an incredible experience, and I got to spread joy through song, alongside my best friend, Thomas Fahlman.”



AUSTIN JOSEPHSON

Jasmine Gemmell (HS'15) was a finalist in the YWCA Regina Women of Distinction awards in the category of Entrepreneurship and Trades. She is an entrepreneur and owner of Bellezza Moda Beauty and Fashion, with locations in Regina and Saskatoon.

Wil Norton (HS'17) and **Megan Turluck (HS'19)** are part of a team of University of Regina students designing a prototype of an airlock that could one day serve as a bridge between different atmospheric conditions in space. They were recently featured in a CBC news story after winning a national design competition with it.

CLASS NOTES

Zane Clifford (HS'15) is in the new Netflix film *There's Someone Inside Your House*. Zane's character is Macon Bewley, a young high school football athlete who is dealing with the sudden murders in his small town of Osborne, Nebraska.

Zane says working on this film is a very large accomplishment early in his acting career. Like many industries affected by the pandemic, the film industry had gone into shutdown in early 2020, but was able to slowly come back in the summer of 2020. Since then, Zane has been blessed with the opportunity to be cast as Timmy Ryan, a recurring character on the CW network's *Superman and Lois*.

Zane has now lived in Vancouver for over five years. He initially moved there in October 2016 to attend the Vancouver Film School's 12-month intensive course on acting for film and television. However, he got an agent shortly after graduating and has been taking weekly acting classes with various coaches for the past three years.



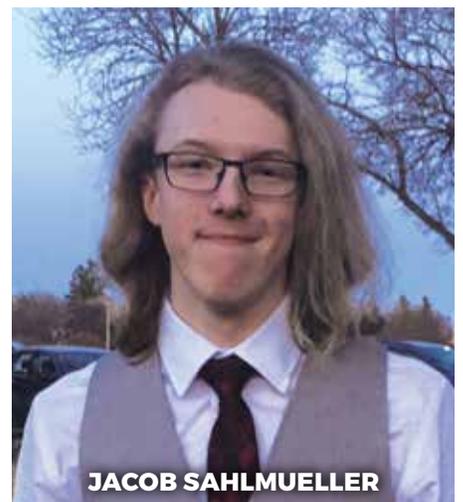
Jennifer Kemp (HS'15) is a funded academic at Cumming Medical School at the University of Calgary in the Hotchkiss Brain Institute. She has almost completed her master's degree in Neuroscience and plans to obtain her PhD. Her work has been published in two publications, one of which will come out in *The Clinical Child and Family Psychology Review*, special edition in 2022. Jennifer uses MRI to study associations between parental depression severity and offspring brain structure. She credits much of her success to Luther IB, which provided a strong study base.



Lauren Schenher (HS'18) graduated with a Bachelor of Social Work from the University of Calgary in June 2021. She is now enjoying working as a Community Outreach Worker. Her Luther IB diploma allowed her to finish her university studies in three years.



Jacob Sahlmueller (HS'18) was named a Dean's List Scholar in the Faculty of Arts & Science at the University of Toronto. Jacob earned this designation "along with a small, outstanding group of Faculty of Arts & Science students who have a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or higher after completing 11 credits." He has also been accepted into the U of T's Technology Leadership Initiative program with the Department of Computer Science.



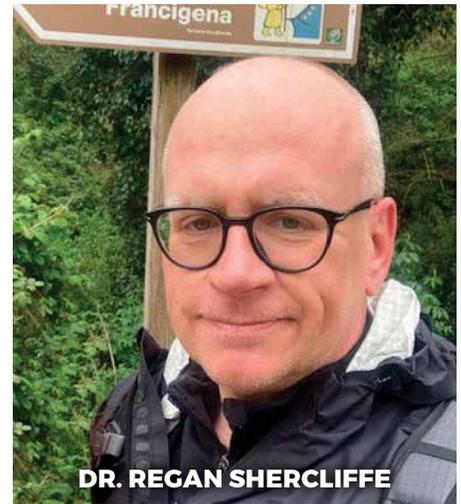
If you have an
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FACULTY & STAFF

Pastor Larry Fry, former High School Vice Principal, Chaplain, and teacher has been diagnosed with a rare combination of lymphoma and leukemia. Pastor Fry has begun chemotherapy that will hopefully result in a remission. Many of you will also know and remember his wife and former Luther teacher, **Gail Fry**, and their children who are alumni, **Michael (HS'01)**, **Johanna (HS'03)** & **Rob (HS'06)**. If you would like to write some words of encouragement, or

share a fond memory or a prayer, email them to wendy.sauer@luthercollege.edu.

Dr. Regan Shercliffe, former Associate Professor of Psychology at the University campus, is part of a team that received the 2020 Nobel Peace Prize. The Prize was awarded to the World Food Programme (WFP) for their work combatting hunger in the poorest countries in the world. Shercliffe is currently the Chief of Staff Counselling at the WFP and has worked with the UN in various capacities.



In Memoriam

With sorrow, we remember these Luther College alumni and community members on their passing.

Marion (Mitchell) Tocher (attended from 1944–1947)

– Her daughter, Colleen Mitchell, says, “Mom loved Luther. It was the best time of her life, in many ways. There was much turmoil in the world at that time, and her mother had tuberculosis so was not able to raise her. Her father worked for the railroad, so he was never home, so Luther brought immense comfort and a sense of belonging to her. I would like to thank the school for that.”

Irene (Domes) Collings (HSU'45)

Norman Bray (HS'51)

Margaret (Schmidt) Klein (HS'46)

Don Ketcheson (attended 1947–48)

Eileen (Guenther) Miller (HS'48)

Margaret (Schrader) Wilson (attended 1952–53)

Lorne Vinge (HSU'52 and former Board member 1980–1993)

Paul Timm (HS'53)

Harvey Lammer (HS'53, HSU'54)

John W. E. “Jack” Ford (attended 1953–54)

Lorne Schemmer (HS'54, HSU'55) – Lorne was also a former faculty member from 1958–1964, teaching history and psychology. He was Dean of Men from 1958–1962 and LIT Tournament Director from 1961–1965.

Joan (Black) Trytten (HS'55)

Ruth (McKerracher) Robinson (HS'57)

John Baker (HS'57, HSU'58)

Raymond Scheske (HS'59)

Gary Renner (attended 1960–61)

Rodney Schick (HS'61)

Derek McCall (HS'88, U'92)

Floyd Manz (former Board member, 2001–2007)

Tara Gish (former Board member, 2009–2011 and LCHS staff 2011–2014)

Jill Whitmore (friend of Luther College)

Roger Nostbakken (friend of Luther College)

CORRECTIONS FROM SPRING 2021 ISSUE

- The two ladies in the “Remember When” photo are Margorie Tiefenbach on the top of the photo and Aggie Kurtz on the bottom.
- In the Donor Profile, Stacey Cattell was Board Chair from 2012–2015 not 2011.
- The school secretary mentioned in Daun Daum’s profile was Erna Huget, not Erma.

Luther College apologizes for the errors and appreciates the eagle eyes of our readers!



Attention all students K-8

Your future is
at Luther

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