



Senior Alumni News

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President David Naylor to Talk to Senior Alumni

On Thursday, May 11, 2006, at 1:30 p.m., Professor David Naylor, the new President of the University of Toronto, will talk to the Senior Alumni on the topic "Reflections on Health Care and Well-Being."

Professor Naylor, formerly Dean of the Faculty of Medicine and Vice Provost, became President of the University of Toronto on October 1, 2005. He is internationally recognized as a leader in the field of health services research and evidence based health and social policy, and has advised several governments on policy issues over the last 15 years. He has also co-authored over 300 scholarly publications, and received national and international awards for research and leadership in medicine. He is committed to leading the university as it completes its five-year academic plan, and its commitment to excellence, equity and outreach.



He joined the academic staff of the Faculty of Medicine in 1987-88. Prof. Naylor was founding Chief Executive Officer of the Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences (1991-1998), before becoming Dean of Medicine and

Vice Provost for Relations with Health Care Institutions of the University of Toronto (1999 - 2005).

Dr. David Naylor has been married for 20 years to Dr. Ilse Treurnicht, CEO of Primaxis Technology Ventures, and CEO of the MaRs Discovery District. They met at Oxford where she was a Rhodes Scholar from South Africa. The couple has four children, daughters Karli, 17, in first year at the University of Waterloo, and Melinda, 15, a student at University of Toronto Schools; and sons Sam, 13 and Max, 11.

David Naylor was born in Woodstock, Ontario in 1954 and received his MD from the University of Toronto's Faculty of Medicine in 1978 with scholarships in medicine, surgery, and paediatrics. He was a Rhodes Scholar in 1979 at Hertford College, Oxford University. Here he earned D.Phil. in 1983, for thesis work in the Department of Social and Administrative Studies. He trained in general internal medicine at the University of Western Ontario followed by a year in Toronto as an MRC fellow in clinical epidemiology.

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SENIOR ALUMNI VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Robarts Library Tours: We need seniors interested in becoming tour guides at Robarts Library. They must be comfortable spending one or two hours walking through the library and speaking to groups of up to 20 students. A plus is a complimentary U. of T. library card. Training is provided.

Mailings: Occasionally volunteers are needed to help with mailings at various locations. Volunteers are called a week or more in advance to check availability and inform them about time and location. A good project for those who would like to participate, but who don't want a regular shift.

If you would like to try one these projects or require further information about them, please call Kathy Parks at the Senior Alumni Office, phone 416-978-0544 or e-mail senior.alumni@utoronto.ca

The Department of Psychology at the University of Toronto still needs volunteers for paper based and computerized tasks (no previous computer experience is necessary). These are intended to answer questions about how we age. To volunteer, you must have graduated from high school, speak English as a first language, and provide your own transportation to the St. George campus. Participants will be paid \$10 per hour. Please call 416 978 0905 for details or visit web site www.psych.utoronto.ca/~adultpool.

The L.C. Campbell Cognitive Neurology Research Unit at Sunnybrook and Women's College Health Sciences Centre is conducting research on various types of dementia, such as Alzheimer's Disease. They are looking for healthy volunteers between the ages of 50 and 90 willing to undergo paper and pencil tests as well as brain imaging to serve as normal controls for comparison purposes. All information is confidential and parking costs are covered. For more information, contact Isabel Lam at 416-480-6100 x2317 or email Isabel.Lam@sw.ca.

The Annual General Meeting Of the Senior Alumni Association will be held on Thursday, May 11, 2006, at 1:30 p.m., in Room 179, University College. All members are urged to attend.

The Faculty of Dentistry, University of Toronto, Department of Periodontology needs volunteers to perform the following duties: (All senior alumni and not just dental alumni are welcome)

1. For the Graduate Periodontology Clinic two times per year for assistance with chart auditing. This involves reviewing charts to ensure all appropriate paper work and charting has been completed.
 2. For the Oral Reconstruction Clinic once every week to review dental implant charts to ensure they are up to date, i.e. to ensure all appropriate paper work and charting has been completed.
 3. To help establish a digital picture library, help in the collection and cataloguing of digital intra -oral photographs taken by the graduate residents. Requires basic knowledge in the use of computers and Microsoft programs.
 4. To establish a digital library of journal articles. This requires collecting, scanning and reformatting journal articles into PDF format. Requires basic knowledge in the use of computers and Microsoft programs.
 5. Volunteers interested in participating as subjects for periodontal research. Participation will depend on exclusion and inclusion criteria of the specific research project.
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SOLDIERS' TOWER STILL LOOKING FOR MEMORABILIA

The Soldiers' Tower Committee is still looking for military artifacts (not weapons) that will amplify the existing collection in the Memorial Room Museum. It wishes to honour the memory of U of T men and women who served Canada in the wars. Specific decorations and honours would be especially welcome. Small pieces for countertop display are preferred, but some larger items will be considered. While not all pieces can be accepted, as display space is very limited, we would like to hear from you. Income tax receipts from the University will be provided, subject to Canada Revenue Agency and university policy for gifts of this nature. If you have such an item that you would consider donating, please send a photo and a description of your artifact to: The Soldiers' Tower Committee, University of Toronto Alumni Association, J. Robert S. Prichard Alumni House, 21 King's College Circle, Toronto, ON M5S 3J3. Telephone: 416-978-0544
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PRESIDENT'S CORNER



This year 2006 the Senior Alumni has been growing for thirty years. In the newsletter of November '03 Robert Saunders wrote an article "Snapshots of Our Origins" in which he said: "Senior Alumni came to life in 1976 when a small group of about ten U. Of T. graduates came together under the leadership of Wilson Abernethy

(Eng.'23) to plan how to vol-

unteer their talents in projects around the University. All of them felt that seniors who had reached retirement age in their respective careers should remain active and should be able to make themselves useful at U. of T."

The first endeavour was to organize a lecture series in the fall of 1976. Canadian Perspectives was offered as a service to senior graduates. This offered a benefit to the University. It attracted graduates, who had lost interest in the University while developing their own careers, back to campus. For the new Senior Alumni Association it provided a potential source of volunteers.

"The first major volunteer project was to update the card records for some 200,000 graduates and get them ready for staff to input into the University's new databank. Twenty-five volunteers worked on this for four years."

Now we have increased our membership to over five hundred and we include friends of the University who need not be alumni. Our lectures have grown in popularity but are constrained by room availability. The volunteer aspect of our work has changed with the times also. Many of our projects are done on an individual basis, such as donating time for research studies in the Department of Psychology, or working in Victoria or UC Archives, or giving tours of Robarts Library. The opportunity to socialize has been limited to tours to Stratford Festival, walking tours on campus. New social events are being explored.

As of May I will retire and it is likely that Doug Philp our Vice-president will be elected as President at the Annual Meeting on May 11. Doug has served on the Executive for about nine years and has chaired the Publicity, History and Events Committee most of that time.

I have enjoyed my time as President primarily because it gave me an opportunity to meet many interesting people. We seniors are inclined to sell ourselves short. I like the attitude of a six-year-old girl who said one day, while I was braiding her hair "You are so very old, you must have learned so many things." Let's keep on learning and making ourselves useful.

Bev Coburn

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NOMINATIONS

John Corkill, chair of the Nominating Committee, has informed me that slate of nominations for the officers has been firmed up, but that there are still some uncertainties about the Chairs of the Standing Committees. Bev Coburn will complete her two terms as President and will move to Past President. Doug Philp will move up to President and Gloria Buckley will be nominated for Vice President. Dorothy Sedgwick will continue as secretary and Betty Carter will continue as Treasurer.

Members who would like to join the executive will be welcomed. Just let us know. Should anyone wish to challenge the election he or she should be aware that our Bylaws state: "Any additional nominations must be made by at least three voting members in writing with the consent of the nominees and must be in the hands of a Secretary not later than one week prior the Annual Meeting."

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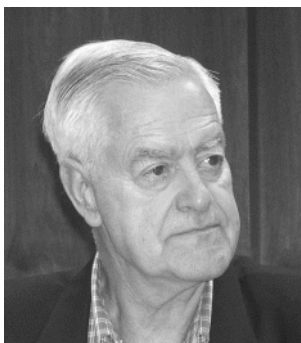
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EDITORS NOTEBOOK



Please mark May 11 on your calendar ---Why?! Because that's the date of the SAA Annual General Meeting. We encourage you to attend ---Room 179 ---at University College. This, our April issue, highlights this important event. We are looking forward to meeting and having Dr. David Naylor, our new U of

T President, as our guest speaker. Hopefully, nothing critical will prevent his being with us, so be there!

Our lecture series are well underway with some 500 attendees ---this certainly indicates that our members continue to enjoy and explore our very informative and novel Canadian Perspectives lecture program.

The need for volunteers continues for several projects, some of which we highlight in this issue. Volunteerism has always been a key component of "Senior Alumni" endeavours. If you can help --- please contact Kathy Parks at the SAA office (416) 978-0544. She eagerly awaits your call!

I'm pleased to report that our treasurer, Betty Carter, is recuperating from surgery and is now back on the road to recovery. Betty hopes to be back when we resume board meetings in September. During her absence, John Corkill has agreed to handle the treasury responsibilities, once again.

Your executive offers special thanks to Sybil Geller, Chair of the Senior Alumni Volunteers, for her dedication and service for several years. She will be stepping down as chair in June of this year.

"Hats off" to Barry Laibovitz for taking over as the Canadian Perspectives Lectures Chair, following the very sudden passing of Chair Howard Pentland. Barry will continue with lectures at the Ramsay Wright Location.

Hope to see you at the AGM on May 11 --- to meet and hear Dr. David Naylor.

That's all for now ---

Doug Philp

THANKING SENIOR ALUMNI VOLUNTEERS

Each year at this time we take time to thank our volunteers. In 2004/05, 70 volunteers collectively worked on 17 projects for a total of 1808 hours. We are very proud to continue this connection with our University and would like to thank our many active volunteers who made this possible.

Since 1996, we have recognized Senior Alumni Volunteer for their services by presenting pins to active volunteers at our Annual Meeting. Alumni and friends who had joined our band of volunteers during the past year are given U of T pins. Members who have served for five or more years or for ten or more years are given service pins. This year we will present pins to those volunteers attending the AGM on Thursday, May 11. Pins will be mailed to those unable to attend.

This year we have seven new volunteers, six volunteers, who will get five year service pins and three volunteers, who have served for ten or more years.

Seven New Volunteers get U. of T. pins

Maurice Cooke, Richard Cousland, Paul Fischer,
Val Gee, Keith Moles, Cynthia O'Beirne
& Ingrid Hoffarth Paquette.

Six long term volunteers get Five Years Service pins

Betty Carter, Sybil Geller, Eva Kent, George Mann,
Edward Pearl & Eberhardt Schwantes.

Three long term volunteers get Ten Years Service pins

Margaret Home, Alice Kurtesi & Dorothy Sedgwick.

This year we have newly designed five year service pins, shown below, which no longer refer to ATU, the old name of our volunteer committee.

