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CHAIR'S REPORT by Evan Thomas

New Directors

For 2014, the LGAC canvassed all members for expressions of interest in open board positions. We were delighted by the number of people interested in joining the LGAC board and the tremendous qualifications of all who expressed interest. After considerable deliberations, the Nominations Committee, led by Kate McCrone, recommended eight individuals for election to the board, and they were unanimously elected at the June annual meeting. A list of our new directors is below, together with their current city of the residence and their years at the College:

Christine Liptay (Toronto, 1995-1996)
Daune MacGregor (Toronto, 1975-1976)
Brent Richards (Montreal, 2006-2007)
Trevor Zeyl (Toronto, 2009-2010)

Jane McGaughey (Montreal, 2004-2008)
Kathleen McManus (Halifax, 1988-1991)
Paul Zed (Toronto, 1980-1981)
Ireneus Zuk (Kingston/Montreal, 1987 & 1994)

At the October board meeting, the board also appointed Bill Gillespie of Calgary (1972-1973) as a director. These appointments can only strengthen the LGAC and position us for success for many years to come.

I wish to recognize Judith Adams, Brian Marley-Clarke, Stephen Pomedli, and Rachel Pulfer, who retired as directors of the LGAC effective as of the June annual meeting. Members present at the AGM unanimously passed a motion recognizing their efforts and expressing the LGAC's thanks to these Board members for their contributions to the LGAC.

Scholarship Program

The success of our Scholarship Program is in large part due to the efforts of our Scholarship Committee, consisting of Selena Beattie, Sylvia Berg, Norman Hillmer and Yohanna Loucheur and led by co-Chairs Greg Smith and Maureen Simpson.

For the 2014-2015 academic year, the Scholarship Committee considered approximately 60 applications. Based on the recommendations of the Scholarship Committee, the LGAC awarded Scholarships to five extraordinary young Canadians, brief biographies of whom can be found elsewhere in the Newsletter. This year the LGAC did not award a Molson Foundation Scholarship. While a francophone candidate was selected for first round of Scholarship offers, the candidate declined our offer to attend university in the United States. There was a very high acceptance rate for our other Scholarship offers, so we did not reach the next francophone candidate.

We are very proud that a number of this year's Scholarships were named as part of the Named Scholarship Program:

- Laura White is the recipient of the Judith Maclean Rodger through London Community Foundation Scholarship, which has been made possible by generous contributions to the LGAC from Judith through the London Community Foundation. Judith sponsored this Scholarship because she had the benefit of a scholarship during her time on Mecklenburgh Square and wished to afford a similar opportunity to another Canadian student, as well as to motivate others to support the studies of young Canadians.
- Courtney Thompson is the recipient of the Elizabeth Jane Magee Memorial Scholarship. Norman Hillmer, director of the LGAC and Professor of History and International Affairs at Carleton University, is the benefactor of this Scholarship.
- Gavin Tansley is the recipient of the Neil Black Memorial Scholarship, which was funded to a significant degree by the contributions of Robert Black and Judith Adams and named in recognition of Robert's late father, Neil, who encouraged Robert to study in London.

We thank the sponsors of these Named Scholarships for their generosity to our Scholarship Program.

As of this year, the LGAC has awarded over \$1 million in Scholarships to over 160 exceptional young Canadians. This tremendous milestone could only have been reached with the financial support of our many individual, corporate and foundation donors over the past 25 years. We are deeply grateful to all of our donors, who should be proud of the enormous contribution they have made to enhancing opportunities for Canadians pursuing graduate studies in the UK.

Events

We were very happy to have hosted the College's Director, Major-General Andrew Ritchie, during two separate visits to Canada this past year. In June, Director Ritchie made a whistle stop tour, attending over three days our annual general meeting and reception in Toronto, an Ottawa reception at Earncliffe hosted by the UK High Commissioner, and a reception and art tour hosted by former LGAC director Andrew Molson at the offices of his firm, NATIONAL Public Relations, in Montreal.

To recognize the LGAC's milestone of \$1 million in funded scholarships, Director Ritchie presented the LGAC with a framed reproduction of the Canada crest that appears on the ceiling of the Great Hall in London House. We are most grateful to Director Ritchie and Goodenough College for this magnificent gift. Many thanks as well to LGAC directors Chris Wilkie, Selena Beattie, Yohanna Loucheur, Andrew Hammond and Ismail El-Hamamsy for their efforts to make the Ottawa and Montreal events a success.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND DIRECTOR'S TOUR



Rob Douglas, Maureen Simpson, Andrew Ritchie,
Kate McCrone



Attendees at the AGM in Toronto



Norman Hillmer & Evan Thomas
at Earncliffe



Evan Thomas and Andrew
Ritchie with London House
plaque



Evan Thomas, Lucia Liscio,
Trevor Zeyl

Director Ritchie returned to Toronto in October to attend a reception in celebration of the Molson Challenge, which was hosted by new LGAC director, Paul Zed, at the office of Cisco Canada. We were also joined at this event by Andrew Molson and Sir William Goodenough, great-grandson of the College's founder Frederick Goodenough and a current Governor of the College. We are very thankful to Paul and Cisco for the support of this event and to Andrew Molson for his continuing support of the LGAC and Goodenough College.

The Molson Challenge

Although London House has recently re-opened, the refurbishment and renovation of the College's facilities is ongoing. The LGAC is working closely with Goodenough College to support refurbishment projects that will provide meaningful and lasting benefit to the College's members. This ongoing refurbishment effort will no doubt solidify the College's position as the pre-eminent residence for international postgraduate students in London and one of the finest residences for students in the United Kingdom.

As part of this ongoing effort, the LGAC and College announced the Molson Challenge in November 2013. The Challenge is a three-year fundraising campaign to raise donations designated for the refurbishment of the College to match a grant of up to CAN\$400,000 from the Molson Foundation.

We have been delighted by the positive response to the Molson Challenge. Since November 2013, we have received donations or pledges totalling approximately CAN\$100,000. The generous support that we have received is crucial to our ability to support the ongoing refurbishment, and we look forward to building on this success over the next two years and beyond.

I thank all of our Directors, Executive members and our stalwart administrator, Brian Cardie, for their continuing service to the LGAC, and I also thank all of our members for their generous support of the LGAC. All members should feel free to contact me directly at any time by e-mail at chair@lgac.ca.

MOLSON CHALLENGE EVENT



Bernard Crotty, Sir William Goodenough, Paul Zed



Evan Thomas, Andrew Molson, Sir William Goodenough, Paul Zed, Andrew Ritchie



Andrew Molson, Paul Zed, Ed Greenspon



Malcolm & Carolyn Archibald, Ian McBurnie



Evan Thomas, Aaron Korman, Peter Harrison



Sean Williamson, Peggy Lucas, Andrew Ritchie

MEMBER NEWS

David Charters published his first novel in 2014, "Beneath the Rose: A Tale of Terror and Love."

Stefan Moores and his family have returned to Toronto after 14 years in the USA.

Emilie Sabor and **Andrew McAnerney** were married in 2012. They welcomed a son, Luc, in December 2013.

THE REOPENING OF LONDON HOUSE by Justin Bengry & Hannah Elias

Goodenough College recently re-opened London House after an extensive construction campaign that commenced last summer. This follows on renovations to William Goodenough House in 2011-2012. The newly refreshed and reinvigorated residences offer superb facilities for Canadian and other postgraduate students. Former LGAC Scholars Justin Bengry and Hannah Elias, who still reside in London, have provided the report below on the re-opened London House:

On 18 July we joined crowds of enthusiastic Goodenough alumni to have a sneak peek at the new London House following renovations before the official re-opening in the fall 2014 term. Escorted by construction crew in hard hats, there wasn't a "keep off the grass" sign to be seen – there was no grass to be seen. After acclimatizing to the sight of unfinished walls, scaffolding and upturned turf in the quad, we recognized enough of the London House we all remember to find the space welcoming and familiar. In some instances, these spaces have been improved by careful and historically sensitive restoration work.

The Great Hall in particular has retained its grand feel but has been refreshed with a new coat of paint, refinished floors, and a careful restoration of the original ceiling in new complimentary colours. The newly gilded crests surrounding the room pop out, and the Empire Clock, we were told, is receiving similarly careful attention befitting its status at the centre of the College.

Other areas too have benefited enormously from the long overdue renovations to the 1930s building. Like the Great Hall, the staircase between it and the library has been replastered and sympathetically repainted to make the ornate plasterwork jump out. We were told the Library is receiving similarly careful attention.

But it's not just the historical elements of the College that were renovated. Other spaces have been modernized, and some entirely new spaces have emerged. Freddie's, for example, has benefitted from a significant expansion opening up this space for even more socializing and collegiality that Goodenough fosters. Attention has been paid to the ways the College can be more accessible, with ramps and a convenient lift leading down to the revamped pub and social space. New butteries have been added to upper floors to promote further interaction and offer a convenient cooking space for the culinary or cost-minded. Bedrooms have been refurbished with new furniture and paint, though the historic parquet floors and their irregular layouts have been left intact. Bathrooms remain communal and have received upgrades.

On the whole these renovations were much needed and welcome improvements to the physical spaces of the college. Unlike the William Goodenough House renovation, there has been a much more concerted effort to retain the character and feel of the building. The exception to this is the reception area, which feels more functional, but also more commercial and institutional. Perhaps, historians that we are, we recognize something changed. It will take time to rebuild the lived in feel the college had achieved, the sense that many generations of students had passed through its halls and passages.

Still, it must be said that alumni were waiting throughout the evening for tours to see the renovated London House, and most tours were full to capacity. If anything demonstrates the commitment of our fellow alumni to the College, and their investment in its physical fabric, surely this is it.

Justin Bengry (LH 2008-09) completed a PhD in British history and feminist studies at the University of California in 2010. He is currently an Honorary Research Fellow at Birkbeck College, University of London and Associate of the Raphael Samuel History Centre.

Hannah Elias (Chair of WGH 2009-10) works at St Paul's Cathedral in London, coordinating campaigns for gender and racial equality.

THE LGAC ONLINE

We continue to expand the LGAC's presence online, which we hope will provide new means of keeping in touch with our members and helping them keep in touch with each other. In addition to our web site, our Facebook page and our LinkedIn group, the LGAC is now on Twitter. All members are invited to follow @lgacalumni for information on events and news from other members. We also invite members to tweet @lgacalumni so we can follow you.

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LinkedIn: <http://www.linkedin.com/groups/London-Goodenough-Association-Canada-4656348>

2014-15 LGAC SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

ANDREW HARVEY (Mount Pearl, NL), Allan Hartley Memorial Scholarship winner, holds a BA (Honours) in French and Linguistics from Memorial University and an MA in Linguistics from the University of Dar Es Salam, Tanzania where he was a Commonwealth Scholarship recipient. He is pursuing a PhD in Linguistics at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), continuing his research into the minority language Gorwaá, spoken in a district of central Tanzania. Mr. Harvey expects his wide-ranging international travel experience to serve him well during his time at Goodenough College.

VICTORIA PROUSE (Sault Ste. Marie, ON), Richard Helmstadter Memorial Scholarship winner, completed a BA in History, Urban Studies and Geography at the University of Toronto and a Master of Planning at Dalhousie. She is enrolled in the MSc in Social Policy and Planning at the LSE, where she is continuing her research in urban development, revitalization and social justice. A Varsity figure skater and coach, Ms. Prouse also has contributed time and expertise to the Hart House Social Justice Committee, the United Way, the Canadian Urban Institute, and other causes. She looks forward to building links between the College and the residential community of Camden during her time on the Square.

Dr. GAVIN TANSLEY (Halifax, NS), Neil Black Memorial Scholarship winner, finished medical school at UBC and was a general surgery resident at Dalhousie University. While in BC, Dr. Tansley was involved in a number of community health initiatives promoting healthy active living. He has a number of research presentations, posters and published papers to his credit. To develop his academic interest in the area of international health, he is attending the LSHTM to complete a Masters of Public Health degree. As a College resident, Dr. Tansley expects to become involved with the various running and sports groups.

Dr. COURTNEY THOMPSON (Toronto, ON), Elizabeth Jane Magee Memorial Scholarship winner, completed a BSc at the University of Vermont before entering the MD program at the University of Ottawa. She worked as a postgraduate resident in Infection Diseases at the University of Toronto and is extending her research in this field through a Masters in Epidemiology at the LSHTM. Having worked in Malawi, Peru, Tanzania, and in Cape Town, South Africa, Dr. Thompson is hoping to experience new connections and enjoy new activities in the international community of Goodenough College.

LAURA WHITE (Lethbridge, AB), Judith Maclean Rodger through London Community Foundation Scholarship winner, earned her BSc in Nutrition and Food Science from the University of Alberta where she was active in student organizations, youth clinic work and in residence service learning. Ms. White was employed by the Blood Tribe Department of Health, on the largest First Nation Reserve in Canada, where she worked as a community nutritionist. She is pursuing an MSc in Nutrition and Global Health at the LSHTM in order to develop her interests in comprehensive public health training and malnutrition. Her extensive experience with residence life and programming has put her in a good position to contribute to the active residential life on Mecklenburgh Square.

LGAC SCHOLAR'S REPORT by Laura White

First of all, I would like to again thank the LGAC for selecting me for one of their scholarships this year as it has made a huge financial difference.

I arrived in London the end of September and was pleasantly surprised by the room awaiting me at Goodenough College. I did not realize that this was the first year London House had been reopened to residents and it was wonderful to walk into a newly renovated room! Additionally, the space that I have is much more than I had anticipated and living on the fifth floor gives me an excellent view of not only London House courtyard but the London skyline! All the amenities available at the college are amazing and I've taken advantage of the meal plan that was offered this year. I find that eating my supper with other college members most nights has been one of the best ways to get to know other residents and it's very interesting to hear about others area of study and their home country.

As was made clear in my application one of the main reasons I was attracted to Goodenough was the amazing extracurricular life it seemed to offer, and I have not been disappointed! I've taken advantage of the fact I have a light workload this term to get involved in many college events. I attended many of the welcome period events including the boat cruise, welcome drinks evenings and the clubs and societies fair. I've also attended other events such as the Canadian reception which was hosted when the Canadian Governor Maureen Simpson was here to visit, the London House

reopening, Canadian thanksgiving, Oktoberfest, and Diwali celebrations. One of my favorite events was the 'Love thy Neighbor' event where my floor decided to have a wine and desserts midnight feast to get to know each other better. I'm humbled everyday by the amazing people I'm surrounded with at the college and look forward to meeting even more members as the year goes on.

I've already made some wonderful friends and together we have ventured to the National Gallery, many markets on the weekend, the Tower of London and many restaurants and pubs throughout the city. A group of four of us has just booked to go away to Berlin in early December which I am very much looking forward to as I've never been to Germany. It is such a unique experience to live with so many of your peers and it means there is always someone around to adventure around London with! Many of my classmates are envious of the social environment I have at Goodenough as most have just a few roommates.

I'm thankful to live in Goodenough as not only has it provided me with a wonderful place to stay, but a wonderful workplace too! I was hired on to work at GBar the beginning of the term and have very much enjoyed my shifts. I find it is a really good way to meet others and especially as I worked the Halloween Party I feel like it is has given me contact with the majority of members! Additionally, I was selected to be a caller on this year's alumni telephone campaign. I have been making calls for a few weeks now and hearing previous members stories has been one of my favorite parts of the campaign. It feels good to raise money for the college as I am able to pay forward the support that LGAC has given me.

Aside from my time at Goodenough I am thoroughly enjoying my course at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. The lecturers we have in my nutrition courses are absolutely amazing and it's so inspiring to be taught by the leaders in the field. I can't believe how fast time is going though and only five more weeks left until the end of term 1.

Once again, a huge thanks to the LGAC for providing their scholarships for Canadians living at Goodenough. Without this support I would not have been able to afford living at the college and would have to give up many of the extracurricular opportunities I've gotten involved with. My time at Goodenough has already been instrumental in making my time in London amazing and I couldn't imagine living anywhere else. I'm attempting to make the most of every minute of my time here as I know I will never again have the experience to live in such a wonderful environment where I am surrounded by so many interesting, passionate and inspiring people.

IN MEMORIAM: WILLIAM GREAVES (1935-2014)

Bill Greaves died in Toronto of multiple myeloma on September 27, 2014 at the age of 79. He was Professor Emeritus and Senior Scholar, English Language and Literature, at Glendon College, York University and a well-known scholar in the field of systemic functional linguistics (SFL). His experience at the Goodenough College was truly a family one. As a graduate student at UCL from 1963 to '67, Bill, his wife, Anne, and daughter Ellen lived in William Goodenough House and during this time, daughter Jane was born. They returned for Bill's sabbatical in 1972, this time with three children, including three-year-old William, and were the first tenants of the newly-opened Julian Crossley Wing. Over the following decades, Bill stayed in London House during academic trips and he and Anne have been frequent visitors to the Bilbrough Suite and the Club.

Robin Fawcett at Cardiff University wrote that Bill was instrumental in internationalizing SFL beyond the U.K. He highlighted several books and collections of academic papers Bill co-authored with his colleague at York, Jim Benson, starting with their introductory textbook *The Language People Really Use* (1973). Fawcett stated that Bill's "major individual contribution has been in the description and teaching of English intonation" and noted particularly his book *Intonation in the Grammar of English* co-authored with M.A.K. Halliday in 2008. He also cited Bill's exploratory work with others "in bringing the insights of SFL to the field of modeling discourse between humans and apes (bonobos)".

Bill was elected to the Board of the London House Association of Canada (LHAC) in 1970 as a recent returnee from London. He served as Hon. Secretary from 1977 to '82 and then as Membership Secretary until he retired from the Board in 1986. Along with Hartley Nathan, he was in the first group of new directors elected to the Board in a decade as the Board began to shift from non-alumni directors, concerned mainly with finances, to alumni directors who broadened the focus to member communications and alumni matters.

Michael Graham views that "we owe Bill big time" for his contribution to the London House/Goodenough College cause, both here as well as in London. "Without his enthusiasm and hands-on example we (the LHAC/LGAC) would not have got our impressive second wind in the 1970s." Michael has "the clearest memories of Bill appearing on the scene and putting his hand up to ask the right questions at a stage when the then LHAC was in gentle regression. And, further, that he was prepared to back his words with deeds". Michael remembers "several (if not many) discussion and planning meetings at the Greaves home on Bryce Avenue where much of our fundraising and recovery efforts of that period were planned".

Those meetings are also remembered by Bill and Anne's children, who lent their support by stuffing LHAC Newsletters into envelopes. "The record will show that Bill and Anne were regular participants at LGAC meetings and functions, showing their support both here and in London. There have been few more devoted believers in the Goodenough cause than Bill Greaves and he deserves our heartfelt gratitude"

Rob Douglas

IN MEMORIAM: RONALD ROMPKEY (1943-2014)



Ronald Rompkey died on July 31 of ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease) at the young age of 71. He lived in London House (1969-72) while a PhD student in English at King's College. This period, coincidentally, included the year that I lived there. My London memories of Ron mostly derive from the hour before 11 pm at the Blue Lion at a table near the back entrance off Brownlow Mews. The Blue Lion had a dark and somewhat dingy charm then, if you could see through the smoke, and the conversation with Ron was always lively. Ron became active in the LHAC/LGAC when he joined the Board as its St. John's rep in 1986. He was the LHAC's first regional rep as it began to expand the Board to have representation from coast to coast. He served on the Board for fifteen years, participating in meetings and, on occasion, attending AGMs and events in Toronto.

On a vacation in Newfoundland in 1997, I had the pleasure of dinner with Ron one evening in St. John's where I learned that he was the biographer of the British doctor, Sir Wilfred Grenfell, (*Grenfell of Labrador: A Biography (1991)*), who brought medical services to many parts of Newfoundland and Labrador that otherwise had none. I remember learning about Grenfell many years ago from my parents.

Ron had a notable career as a scholar, joining the English Department at Memorial in 1984 and maintaining a strong presence at the University for the next 30 years. His former teacher and the Department head at the time of his hiring, Dr. Patrick O'Flaherty, was quoted in the *Globe and Mail* saying that Ron turned out to be a "real find" for Memorial: "Ferociously industrious, a stylish prose writer, varied in his intellectual interests, and highly productive in print. He had a great sense of humour, enjoyed life immensely, and had real aptitude for friendship. His books on Wilfred Grenfell and Soame Jenyns are solid contributions to knowledge."

Ron contributions to life and literature in Newfoundland and Labrador took many forms. He was founding director of the J.R. Smallwood Foundation for Newfoundland and Labrador Studies, chair of the Newfoundland and Labrador Arts Council and a board member of the Canada Council of the Arts. He learned French as an adult, explored the French side of Newfoundland and Labrador history and taught at the University of Bordeaux. France honoured him with the Ordre National du Mérite to recognize his contributions to the French community of Newfoundland and Labrador. Ron was appointed an officer of the Order of Canada in 2003 and was elected to the Royal Society of Canada in 2006.

Rob Douglas

London Goodenough Association of Canada

2014 Membership and Donations Form

The LGAC will issue a tax receipt for all eligible donations and will forward to Goodenough College donations so designated that are within the LGAC's permitted charitable activities. Please support each of the areas below.

LGAC Annual Dues and Operating Fund Donation

These donations (*minimum \$45 for Sustaining Member status*) finance the LGAC's alumni(ae) activities, including the Newsletter, website and operating expenses of the Scholarship Program

My / our LGAC Annual Dues and Operating Fund donation is: \$.

LGAC Scholarship Fund Donation

Donations to the LGAC Scholarship Fund finance merit-based residence scholarships for Canadian students at Goodenough College.

My / our LGAC Scholarship Program donation is: \$.

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Donations to Goodenough College support the College's capital refurbishment program.

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