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#### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

PAUL ZED

My name is Paul Zed and I'm very pleased to be the incoming Chair of the London Goodenough Association of Canada. Since taking on the role at the most recent Board meeting, I've spent time trying to reach out to members of the Board and becoming familiar with the workings of the Association. I intend to do more of this in the coming months and will provide a fuller update in a future newsletter.

My first job is to extend thanks to the outgoing members of the Board of Directors. Evan Thomas has served as your Chair since 2012 and has led the group through many developments and changes. His guidance through the leadership transition has been very valuable for me. Peter Harrison is stepping down as Treasurer after being in the role since 2013 and leaves our finances in a strong position.

The most recent news from London is Major General Andrew Ritchie's planned retirement from his role at the College in August 2018 after 12 years at the helm. A search for his replacement will begin in the New Year, but those are some large shoes to fill! I look forward to seeing you at a future social event.

#### **MOLSON CHALLENGE**

The Molson Challenge fund matching campaign continues to be successful, and the Molson Foundation has very kindly extended the deadline for matching funds to the end of December 2018. The College has recently completed an improvement to the Internet services, to prepare for the implementation of a 5G network, a project that was funded by donations from the LGAC and the Foundation. A job well done.

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our Annual General Meeting was held in the summer, so that the business of the Association could be transacted. There was no social event following as we have had in previous years, but we hope to return to that pleasant activity in the future.

#### **OTHER EVENTS**

In May, Andrew Ritchie and our membership were hosted at a reception in Earnscliffe by Deputy High Commissioner Tom Barry. Later in May, Andrew returned to Canada for a very special reception with Hugh Segal, Master of Massey College, to celebrate the beginning of a new partnership between the Colleges. This marks an exciting new opportunity which will have great benefits for our alumni.

As part of the same trip, Andrew travelled to Vancouver to meet alumni at our first event in the city for several years. It was a great opportunity to meet with fellow alumni and to hear at first-hand about recent developments at the College.

In October, we held a successful Port Talk that featured former Liberal MP for Don Valley West, John Godfrey, P.C., D.Phil., special advisor for climate change with the Government of Ontario. Held at Massey College, we thank Massey College Alumni Association and the Harold G. Fox Educational Fund for sponsoring this interesting and interactive evening. We look forward to bringing similar events to members in 2018 with our valued partner, Massey College.

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Our Scholarship Program for the 2018-2019 academic year is underway and is accepting application documents until January 26, 2018. Please encourage anyone you know to apply. Details are on our website at <a href="www.lgac.ca">www.lgac.ca</a>.

#### GOVERNOR'S REPORT MAUREEN SIMPSON

I was again in London in mid-October to attend the College Advisory Council and AGM. The meetings were earlier this year and my stay in the Square coincided with the first week of classes. As ever the College was abuzz with activity, with the first port talk of term given by Canada's High Commissioner! Clubs were starting, and members were meeting with each other, discovering new points of connection. We had a lovely coffee morning for Canadian members organized by Rani Suleman, one of our 2017-18 LGAC Scholars. It was the perfect good opportunity for them to connect and far ranging conversation ensued. Rani has been elected student Governor and represents the members on College Governing bodies, she has handed on responsibility for the Canadian Club to some of newly arrived members. At, 8%, Canadians are the largest international contingent at the College this academic year

Since the bricks and mortar renovations are almost complete, the College is most interested in completing the Canadian Molson Challenge fundraising.

The College is now focusing on fund raising for College scholarships and bursaries. Twenty-four percent of the College members will receive some funding from the College this year. There is also increased focus on member experience and support including the development of leadership skills, engagement with London institutions, study trips to the continent and a myriad of other opportunities.

In the past year the College has undertaken long term planning and forecasting. As a result, the existing mortgage that was taken out to finance the refurbishment of the College has been restructured on much more favourable terms that will put the College on a sustainable footing for the future.

## *IN MEMORIAM* **JOHN M. BEATTIE: 1932 – 2017** ROB DOUGLAS & GREG SMITH

John M. Beattie passed away on July 15, 2017 at the age of 85. Born in England, his family emigrated to California after WWII. He undertook his undergraduate studies at the University of San Francisco, obtained his MA from Berkeley, then returned to England to earn his Ph.D. in History from King's College, Cambridge. John joined the faculty of the History Department at the University of Toronto in 1961, the start of a 35-year career. His main field of study was crime and the administration of justice in 18th century England and his focus on Criminology led to a long and fruitful association with the U of T's Centre for Criminology where he served as Chair for two terms. Upon his retirement in 1996, he was made a U of T professor emeritus.

John's academic focus on the history of crime and the records of the administration of the law in eighteenth-century England brought him many times to London for summers and sabbaticals and life at Goodenough College. He joined the Board of the London House Association of Canada in 1985 and became Board Chair in 1988, during which time he was instrumental in establishing the LHAC's Scholarship Program. John was an original member of the Scholarship Committee (known then as the Fellowship Committee) and became the Committee's Chair in 1991, serving as Chair, and later as Co-Chair, until his retirement from the Board in 1997. Most of the Program's features and procedures were established during these initial years, the foremost being the rigour and fairness he brought to the Committee. He will be remembered well for these traits, as well as for a fine sense of humour, by his LGAC contemporaries and by former students, many of whom were encouraged to live at Goodenough College and a few of whom were successful in becoming Scholarship winners.

John is survived by Susan, his wife of almost 59 years, three children and five grandchildren. In September, a celebration of life was held in the Great Hall at Hart House in the University of Toronto where many friends, neighbours, golfing buddies, academic colleagues and former students gathered along with his family to honour a remarkable friend and deeply respected scholar.

#### LGAC RECEPTION AT EARNSCLIFFE

MAY 2017 – CHRISTOPHER WILKIE

British High Commissioner to Canada Howard Drake, OBE, once again graciously hosted LGAC at his residence "Earnscliffe" for a reception on May 11. Deputy High Commissioner Thomas Barry offered welcoming remarks.

On behalf of Goodenough College Director Andrew Ritchie, LGAC Vice Chair Christopher Wilkie noted the visit of HM the Queen to Mecklenburgh Square on Dec. 1, 2016, a highlight for all associated with Goodenough College that a number of Canadians were able to share (among them LGAC Board member Lucia Liscio and her daughter). Also noted on behalf of Goodenough College were Canadian comings and goings at the Square, including "Canadian Cultural Week", and the fact that Canadian contributions – both financial and otherwise – are treasured. LGAC happenings were shared, amongst which was a toast of congratulations to LGAC Board member Prof. Norman Hillmer on being appointed a Member of the Order of Canada. And it was also a pleasure to convey LGAC Scholarship winner information (in a diverse number of fields), and the fact that Molson Challenge-related donations were up – but also to stress that there was still important work to do through the remainder of the now-extended matching donation eligibility period).

Finally, thanks were repeated to High Commissioner Drake and all High Commission staff for their hospitality. "Earnscliffe" is a national historic site and a former home of Canada's first Prime Minister Sir John A. McDonald, and the annual reception has been a much-valued and much-anticipated event on the LGAC calendar. This year, immediately upon their return from India, one LGAC family immediately jumped in their car for the drive from Toronto to Ottawa expressly for the reception – and loved it! Regrettably, High Commissioner Drake's posting to Canada ended in July. His welcome has been appreciated by all LGAC members and guests at these annual receptions, the 2017 version of which was particularly convivial.







#### More Earnscliffe Reception Pictures





#### LGAC SCHOLAR'S REPORT TESSA CORNELISSEN

It is with great pleasure that I write you to extend my gratitude for being awarded the LGAC scholarship, and to provide you with an update on my life in London. As I reflect, I am overwhelmed by memories. I have heard some amazing speakers at the college, including Her Excellency, the High Commissioner for Canada, Janice Charette, who spoke about Canada's relationship with the U.K., and the importance of supporting women's leadership. I also attended a lecture by the Right Honourable Iain Duncan Smith, who provided me with a perspective on Brexit that I would have otherwise never heard. What is remarkable to me is not that I engaged with high profile professionals in an intimate context, but that the topics they touched on directly relate to what I have been learning about. This, for me, is the essence of life at Goodenough.

I am the Co-Chair of the Goodenough Canadian Society. Our first event was a Thanksgiving gathering. Future events that we have planned include ice skating, a Canadian themed 'bake-off', celebrations at the college for Canada Day, and watching this year's Winter Olympics. I am grateful to be a chair of the Canadian Society, as it has provided me with the opportunity to understand the college better and the chance to give back to the community that has given me so much.

I have also gotten involved at Goodenough through various activity clubs. I have re-ignited my love of Zumba and have discovered yoga. I also had the opportunity of going horseback riding, something I had not done in over ten years!

Finally, the cultural experiences that I have engaged with at Goodenough College have been truly valuable. I have learned how to make pasta from scratch with the Italian Society and how to brew the perfect cup with the Coffee Society. One of my favourite events was the Diwali Celebration. I have found that cultural exchanges are not always so formal. I learned how to cook a spicy, vegetarian soup from a Nigerian neighbour while making dinner in the buttery!

I also want to tell you how I am doing in my MSc in Public Health at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM): I am enjoying the course and am finding my modules engaging and challenging. As anticipated, I am enjoying economics and have decided to specialize my degree in Health Economics. In my seminars, I engage in discussions with students from all over the world, which has allowed me to more critically examine Canadian public health. I have been elected as a Tutor Group Representative at the LSHTM. In this role, I sit on committees and present student feedback to faculty members and the student council. I also attend the school's plethora of global health talks, which have given me access to global health leaders, and has provided me with inspiration for my own career path.

Again, I would like to express my gratitude for being given the opportunity to live at Goodenough College. It is such an amazing experience and I am thankful for this supportive, engaging community.

#### IRENEUS ZUK SCHOLAR REPORT

ALIAYTA FOON-DANCOES

The financial aid awarded by your organization made it possible for me to move to London where I have been taking full advantage of the opportunities available. I am a violinist working towards a Master of Arts at the Royal Academy of Music. There are practice spaces, and larger performance venues at Goodenough that allow me to practice my art, and host concerts. I arranged a concert a few weeks ago featuring two string quartets by Bela Bartok, and Schubert. In March, I am organizing a concert to mark the 100th anniversary of Debussy's death. It will feature his string quartet, violin sonata, and yellow sonata.

Being in London and attending one of the most prestigious institutions in the world has allowed me to study with Mr. György Pauk, an outstanding teacher and musician. He has already helped me elevate my technique and playing.

My main focus in my time at Goodenough has been chamber music. I am playing in a string quartet that auditioned successfully for the prestigious Poznansky Chamber Music Scheme at the Royal Academy. Since, we have been awarded the St. Eaton Square Peter's Prize and will be performing there twice in the New Year, as well as recently being asked to have a residency in France where we would perform three times.

Another focus for me in my first few months was my LSO Scheme audition. With the help of my teacher I was able to present a successful audition and will be performing with the LSO a couple times in their next season. I am so excited-I idolized orchestras like the LSO. It is an absolute honour to play with one of the best orchestras in the world.

Opportunities of this scale are only available through institutions like the Royal Academy, and I am hugely grateful for your support in making this new and exciting phase in my life possible.

#### 2017-2018 LGAC SCHOLARS

- **SIMON ALTMAN** holds a B.A. from McGill with a double major in Economics and Political Science. Mr. Altman's strong record at McGill included playing a part in the winning team at the 2016 PRIMA International Risk Management Challenge, an international team competition that included graduate finance students. While at McGill, Mr. Altman also experienced a semester abroad at the National University of Singapore and was a member of both the Varsity ski team and the sailing team.
- **TESSA CORNELISSEN** completed an Honours BSc in Global Health and Physiology at the University of Toronto prior to completing a BScN in Nursing there. After obtaining her RN and working in the Emergency Department of Mount Sinai Hospital, Ms. Cornelissen chose to pursue advance studies in the UK, specifically at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. She is now enrolled in the MSc in Public Health at LSHTM, where she is studying the interactions between public health and health policy, especially among vulnerable populations.
- **ALIAYTA FOON-DANCOES** (The Ireneus Zuk Scholar) completed a MFA at the University of Victoria specializing in Violin Performance. Her interests lie in chamber music, music history, and contemporary work. She has performed with a number of professional ensembles from small chamber orchestras to the Victoria Symphony. Foon-Dancoes is now attending the Guildhall School of Music where she is pursuing an MA in Violin Performance and hopes to become involved with the vibrant music scene at Goodenough College.
- **ISAAC GAZENDAM** holds a BA from Mount Allison University with a double major in Commerce and Economics. Mr. Gazendam was an active member of the Mount Allison student community and maintained an excellent academic record. He took part in a summer institute in Oslo, Norway, in pursuit of his commerce degree, had has also spent time with host families in France. For his postgraduate studies, he is pursuing an MA in Sustainable Cities at Kings College London.
- JORDAN JARVIS (The Jackman Foundation Scholar) holds a BSc (Hons) in biology from Western University, an MSC in Medical Biophysics from the University of Toronto and is currently a candidate in the Doctor of Public Health (DrPH) program at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. Ms. Jarvis has held previous visiting fellowships at Harvard Medical School and Duke University. Ms. Jarvis is interested in cardiovascular disease (CVD). Her research will focus on access to essential medicine and therapies for CVD among the poor in Kenya and Uganda.

CARLEIGH NICHOLLS began her studies in history at Camousun College and then the University of Victoria where she completed an Honours B.A. She then moved to Montreal to pursue an MA in History at McGill and is currently a doctoral candidate there, working on a dissertation in seventeenth-century British history. Her SSHRC-funded research seeks to examine representations of legal violence in Scotland during the reign of James VII. Her time in London will be spent conducting research at the British Library, the National Archives at Kew, as well as other UK archives.

**RANI SULEMAN** is completing a PhD in Accounting at the LSE where she is researching issues of governance and financing of NGSs within the United Kingdom. Ms. Suleman holds a BA (Hons) from the Ivey Business School at Western, and an MSc in Accounting from the LSE where she was a Chevening Scholarship holder. Ms. Suleman is already well ensconced with Goodenough life, serving as Chair of the Canadian Club last year and as Student Governor this year as well as being a central part of social and cultural activities on The Square, including HM The Queen's recent college visit.

# LGAC TORONTO EVENT A Port Talk with John Godfrey: Climate Change in the Time of Trump LEIGH ALLEN

On October 20th the LGAC, Harold G. Fox Education Fund and Massey College Alumni Association hosted a Port Talk at Massey College in Toronto featuring the Honourable John Godfrey, P.C., D.Phil, former member of Parliament for Don Valley West, and the current Special Advisor for Climate Change with the Government of Ontario.

We were pleased to have about 45 people in attendance for John's interesting talk on "Climate Change in the Time of Trump" followed by canapés and cocktails in the lounge afterwards.













#### THE LGAC ONLINE

We continue to expand the LGAC's presence online. To this end, we have redesigned our website (<u>www.lgac.ca</u>). Please look! We welcome your suggestions.

Please also continue to connect with our Facebook page and our LinkedIn group, and Twitter account. 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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Website: <a href="http://lgac.ca/">http://lgac.ca/</a>

#### **MEMBER NEWS**

#### **KRISTINE ALEXANDER** (PhD York University)

Published her first monograph, Guiding Modern Girls: Girlhood, Empire, and Internationalism in the 1920s and 1930s, through UBC Press in November 2017. Kristine is an assistant professor of history and Canada Research Chair in Child and Youth Studies at the University of Lethbridge. She lived at Goodenough College from 2006 to 2007 while doing research for her doctoral dissertation at archives in and around London, including the British Library. This work formed the basis for her monograph.

#### **AILISH CAMPBELL** (D.Phil University of Oxford)

Joined Global Affairs Canada in March 2017 as Canada's Chief Trade Commissioner and Assistant Deputy Minister for International Business Development. As Canada's Chief Trade Commissioner, Ailish leads a global team of trade experts who support and provide advice to Canadian exporters. Ailish lived at Goodenough College from 1997 to 1998 while completing an M.Sc. in Economics (International Relations and International Political Economy) at the London School of Economics. She is also a Young Global Leader of the World Economic Forum.

#### **PETER MCGOVERN** (Birkbeck College, University of London)

Was appointed Assistant Deputy Minister of the Summits Management Office at Global Affairs Canada in February 2017. In this role, Peter leads coordination of all logistics related to preparing, organizing and implementing the 2018 G7 and G20 Summits in Charlevoix, QC. Peter also led coordination of the G7 and G20 Summits in Muskoka in 2010. He lived at William Goodenough House from 1977 to 1981 with his wife, Sharon, while studying Anglo-Canadian relations during WWII.



### **London Goodenough Association of Canada Membership and Donation Form**



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