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## From the Dean



DEAR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS:

Welcome to the Summer 2006 issue of our alumni magazine – *Nulli Secundus!* 

It is difficult to believe that I am concluding my sixth year as dean of the University of Windsor Law School.

Undoubtedly, one of the most satisfying events in the dean's year is watching the students graduate after three years of study and growth. Many people find convocation dull and boring – not me. I enjoy convocation immensely – it is exciting and affirming. I always look forward to the ceremony and, especially, greeting the family and friends of the graduates either at our traditional cocktail party before convocation or at the post-convocation reception.

In addition to convocation, one of the most pleasant aspects of my job is the time I spend with our alumni and friends. The vast majority of our alums are in Ontario – in Toronto, Windsor, Hamilton, Ottawa, and London – and, as a result, I am fortunate to be able to visit with them at class reunions, alumni dinners, alumni receptions which coincide with Special Calls to the Bar, on visits to law firms, and on those many and varied occasions when members of the Bar and Bench come together. I often get to touch base again with individual alums and friends when I call upon them for support during our Annual Giving Program.

Many of these events over the past year are chronicled in the pages of this issue of the *Nulli* – convocation 2005, dinners in Windsor and Ottawa (our first), Call to the Bar Receptions, class reunions, and so forth. There are wonderful pictorials of these events.

Of course, some of our alumni live at a much greater distance from Windsor. I have been fortunate to have visited with our alumni in Halifax, Calgary, Edmonton, and Vancouver. One of the features in this issue, "The Pacific Scene", takes a closer look at our alums in British Columbia. This follows other features on Hamilton, Ottawa, and Toronto. Two years ago, we

made our first visit to the major law firms in Vancouver. As we have an ever increasing number of Western Canadian students coming to Windsor, we feel it is important to call on the major law firms to tell them the "story" about Windsor Law. We always receive a very warm reception and I believe the firms understand more about our programs and attributes. We have excellent gatherings of our alumni – it is always great fun! When it is sunny in Vancouver – it seems like paradise.

Little did I realize that we actually do have alums in paradise. The difficult task of locating those alums fell to our director of Alumni and Fund Development, Karen Momotiuk. Leaving no stone unturned, Karen went off to the Turks and Caicos to find our alum, John Barker, Class of '74. Well, Karen got the story and you get to read about it here in the pages of the *Nulli*. As Karen said, "Locating our missing alumni is a tough job, but, hey, someone has to do it."

As always, there is more: faculty news, comings and goings at the Law School, and, as you would expect, many alumni achievements to document. Happy reading!

Bruce P. Elmen

BRUCE P. ELMAN DEAN OF LAW

P.S. Next year we will be holding an alumni dinner in the Turks and Caicos. Sign up early – spots are limited!



## Practice in Paradise

By Karen Momotiuk '96

or most lawyers, an early morning stroll

along the powder-white sand of Grace Bay Beach in Providenciales and a swim in the crystal clear turquoise water means one thing - a tropical vacation designed to leave the regular workweek behind. For Windsor Law alumnus John Barker '74, this is the most productive thing he can do to begin his workday. In July 2005, I decided to take one of those "muchneeded" vacations. Professor Emeritus John Whiteside Q.C. tells me Windsor Law has a lengthy history of alums in the Turks and Caicos Islands – from those who practise law to others whose interest is more of a "recreational" vocation. Windsor Law even held a reunion on the Islands several years ago. Before my trip, I scanned our alumni list to find an interesting interview subject for an article for Nulli.



John Barker '74 and Karen Momotiuk '96 reviewing the Summer edition of Nulli Secundus.

I came across the biography of John Barker '74, who practises law at McCollum & Newlands, one of the oldest established legal consulting firms in the Turks and Caicos Islands. The firm specializes in company law, finance, trademarks, immigration, insurance, conveyancing and litigation. John is still actively practising in these areas and when he e-mailed me back that we can have lunch, I was thrilled.

The morning I am scheduled to interview John, I headed down to the beachside bar and restaurant called Hemingways to edit the latest draft of our summer issue of Nulli Secundus. Here, the coffee gets warmer the longer I work.

When John arrives, he has an easy smile and knows everyone. It is a workday and I was expecting someone much less relaxed. Wearing an island-

print silk shirt and sunglasses, we talked about how Windsor Law has changed since he went to school here and about the "old haunts" like Syd's Bridge House and the DH.

I learned that John's workday typically begins with a walk on the beach and a swim in the ocean to collect his thoughts. He considers his office "low key" and says "wearing a suit or a tie is grounds for immediate dismissal." He considers khaki pants and Tommy Bahama shirts "as good as it gets when it is oppressively hot."

On a typical workday, he usually eats lunch in the office. Later, he confesses, "occasionally I sneak away to a restaurant overlooking Grace Bay which provides an instant reality check as to why I moved. I have a few beers and call in sick for the rest of the afternoon!" When he tells me this, I

have a feeling that our meeting is going to be one of those afternoons. I finished the coffee and ordered a pina colada. With all kidding aside, he says, "I work harder here than I ever did in Canada."

He was born in Kingston, did his undergraduate degree at the University of Western Ontario and attended Windsor Law from 1971 to 1974, "After graduating, I practised law in Niagara Falls for two long years. As winter approached, I decided to spend it skiing at Whistler and en route, secured a job (to commence at the end of the ski season) in Vernon, British Columbia." He practised there for 10 years in the areas of real estate, banking and corporate/commercial law.

I asked him about the move to Provo, and why he left Canada although the answer is hardly a surprise. "The rain and the taxes finally got to me..." His

## PRACTICE IN PARADISE

best friend had moved from Vernon, B.C., to Providenciales with his family two years earlier to practise law and was busy and content. John wound up his practice, packed his bags and relocated. His fiancée, the Kenyan-born Dee Agingu (educated at Dalhousie and the University of Victoria) followed him 18 months later. The two have never looked back. They married, and on August 31, 2004, they welcomed a gorgeous baby girl, Savanna.

Now I'm intrigued – since "new baby" stories were not what I expected after our 70's Bridge House discussions only a few minutes earlier!

I invited Dee, Savanna and John to go sailing later in the week. When they arrived, John was wearing the turquoise Windsor Law shirt I brought him. Dee and I have a terrific time with Savanna, and John appears to relax even more. Later in the week, we get together again for champagne and to watch the sunset from the balcony of their beachfront property. "Having a baby here connects you to this place," says Dee. "Living here was John's dream and I am delighted that we are sharing it together." John agrees, wholeheartedly. "The Turks and Caicos Islands are a wonderful place to live and raise a family."

The Turks and Caicos Islands are actually an archipelago just south of the Bahamas, and just east of Cuba. They consist of 40 islands and cays, with the island of Providenciales (everyone calls it Provo) being the most popular tourist destination. Provo's development in recent years is moving at lightening speed, in stark contrast to the laid-back style of the islanders. Grace Bay beach is frequently listed as one of the 10 most beautiful beaches in the world, and it seems that this "undeveloped"

paradise isn't a secret anymore, creating even more work for transaction lawyers.

John says that "the Islanders are generally warm and friendly people, and tend not to take life too seriously, and most North Americans can learn something in this regard."

I asked John about the occasional inter-governmental discussions about Canada "acquiring" the Turks and Caicos Islands as a province, or some other arrangement between my country and his. John sloughs it off as impossible, since there is no income tax or property tax whatsoever.

He jokes that every New Year, he takes great pleasure in phoning his friends from Law School to wish them a "Happy Tax Freedom Day." He quips, "Surprisingly, most of them fail to find this humorous," adding that "one of the nice things about making a living here is when you earn it, it's yours."

"There are some frustrations living on a tropical island, but on balance it is a great lifestyle. I find that because we do not have the diversions and amenities of the city, that there is a greater sense of community amongst residents and more socializing. Of course we can go golfing, boating, swimming and waterskiing 365 days a year."

"What's not to like?"





If you know of a Windsor Law alumnus or alumna who has an interesting or unique story to be told, let us know at:

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## A New Career Direction

Windsor Law is proud to welcome Leeann Marchand back to Windsor Law, after a decade of her own career development, both in private practice and as an estate law specialist.

Leeann, called to the Bar in 1998, became our Director of Career Services in April.

She noted: "There are so many opportunities for students with a legal education that don't necessarily involve having a private law practice. Having experience in both a traditional and a non-traditional legal career, I am looking forward to introducing these opportunities to students and working with them to further their individual career goals - one student at a time."

Windsor Law is fortunate to have a diverse student population, some of whom come to the law school in pursuit of specific goals. For others, admission to the law school is the first step towards an eventual career path, perhaps one not envisioned initially. The Career Services Office is able to guide our students through the steps and decisions necessary to realize their dreams.

Leeann intends to break new ground with career services, including the introduction of customized software that will facilitate individualized student counselling.

An essential element in students' career development is access to the experiences of those already in the profession. We encourage you to stay involved with us! Volunteer as a mentor in our Job Shadowing Program, judge one of our moots, come speak to a class in your area of expertise or drop us a note regarding your own unique career path.

## Faculty News



## JEFF BERRYMAN

Professor Jeff Berryman taught a graduate course in remedies for the Faculty of Law, University of Auckland, and gave a series of lectures for the New Zealand Law Society on Damages for Breach of Contract. In November 2005, he gave a paper at the

Remedies Forum, Louis Brandeis Law School, titled "Ethnic Wars and Tort Law", and recently published an article: "Cross-Border Enforcement of Mareva Injunctions in Canada", (2005), 30 *Advocates' Quarterly* 413-438.

## RAY BROWN (RETIRED)

Professor Brown is celebrating the 20th anniversary of the publication of his book, *The Law of Defamation in Canada*.



## **BILL CONKLIN**

In addition to his efforts on behalf of the Faculty as editor-in-chief of the Access to Justice Yearbook, Conklin continued writing three books on the law of mass statelessness, Hegel and the blind spot in Anglo-American jurisprudence. The book on Hegel will

be published in early 2007 by Stanford University Press. He delivered a paper in October at a Conference on Rhetoric at Concordia University ("The Role of the Metaphor of the Body in the Rise of the Canadian constitutional state") and two papers in June at an international conference in BC on the Law's Empire ("Hegel's Theory of a Constitution" and "The Crisis of the Canadian Constitutional Order").

## TOM DENHOLM

Professor Denholm has begun a PhD in law at the University of London. Advised by Professor Peter Fitzpatrick of the Birkbeck School of Law, Denholm is examining the location and character of sovereignty, a foundational concept in constitutional and international legal regimes. Drawing on recent scholarship in allied disciplines, he will explore the degree to which sovereignty, in its various forms, may be seen as a "presence" that animates the text of law, in both positive and negative ways. This theoretical framework will be applied to the international law of

humanitarian intervention and the "responsibility to protect." Denholm also presented a paper at the Critical Legal Conference in Canterbury, England, in September 2005, entitled "Poststructuralism and Decentred Real Presence: The Elision of Parousia in Second Wave Legal Critique."



### AARON DHIR

Aaron Dhir, in Fall 2005, taught a new seminar of his own design, "Transnational Corporations and Human Rights." The course aims to introduce students to the normative and philosophical debate concerning the accountability of transnational

corporations that are complicit in rights-violating activities. Professor Dhir also chaired a panel on corporate governance and presented his research on social policy shareholder proposals at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Law and Economics Association at the University of Toronto's Faculty of Law. His paper on this topic was selected for publication in the American Business Law Journal and was presented at Brooklyn Law School in February 2006. Professor Dhir has a forthcoming book chapter, "Breathing Life into Economic, Social and Cultural Rights: the Suppression of Negative Clinical Trial Results as a Violation of the Right to Health" in Lee Ann Basser, Melinda Jones & Marcia Rioux, eds., Critical Perspectives on Human Rights and Disability Law (Leiden: Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, forthcoming 2006). Finally, his article, "The Maelstrom of Civil Commitment in Ontario" (published in the journal Health Law in Canada), was cited by the Ontario Superior Court of Justice in the case of Hsu v. Garfinkel, (Attorney General for Ontario).



## **BRIAN ETHERINGTON**

Brian Etherington is awaiting the release of several publications currently in press. "Weber and Almost Everything After: its Impact on Access to Justice for Organized Employees in the Area of Charter, Common Law and Individual Statutory Rights Claims," will be

published by the University of Toronto Press as part of a collection of papers delivered at the University of Western Ontario Conference on the *Charter at Work* late in 2004. He

co-authored (with Mort Mitchnick) a new treatise on labour arbitration law to be published by Lancaster House. Finally, at the invitation of the Government of France, he delivered a paper, "Grievance Arbitration in Canada" to a delegation of 45 labour lawyers, academics, union leaders, employer representatives, civil servants and politicians from France in September 2005 in Ottawa. The delegation met with Canadian labour law experts as part of a mission sponsored by the Government of France to learn about Canadian labour law.



## MARK HECHT

Mark Hecht '96 – Visiting Professor and Law Foundation of Ontario Access to Justice Fellow – completed a report for the United Nations Study on Violence against Children. The UN is conducting an inter-agency investigation, under the guidance of

Paulo Sérgio Pinheiro, on the state of violence against children around the world. Hecht was recruited through ECPAT International, an international non-governmental organization based in Thailand with ECOSOC and UNICEF Consultative Status, to act as Senior Adviser on an enquiry exploring violence committed to and by children in virtual spaces. The final report, "Violence against Children in Cyberspace: A contribution to the United Nations Study on Violence against Children" was submitted to the UN in September and will be included in the final outcome document to be delivered to the General Assembly in 2006.



## JULIE MACFARLANE

Julie Macfarlane has completed her three-year SSHRC/Dept. of Justicefunded project on collaborative family law. Her examination of the new practice of family lawyers working under "negotiation only" retainers for clients has created much interest and

has led to a variety of publications, speeches and keynote addresses and media interviews. Dr. Macfarlane is completing a book, *The New Lawyer*, for UBC Press and has developed a new course of the law school curriculum based on these ideas, which explore the changing role of lawyers in the 21st century as conflict resolvers rather than "warriors". She continues with her dispute resolution practice, serving a range of public and private sector clients with crisis interventions and systems design. This spring, Dr. Macfarlane hopes to commence work on a new empirical research project

examining the experiences of participants in sharing family law processes in Ontario.



## LEN ROTMAN

Len Rotman was appointed to the provincially-mandated Undergraduate Program Review for the Department of Philosophy, University of Windsor (with Dr. Steven Burns, chair of Philosophy, Dalhousie University and Dr. Patricia Rogers, dean of Education, University of

Windsor). In September 2005, Dr. Rotman presented a paper, "The Honour of the Crown: Past, Present and Future," at the Pacific Business & Law Institute conference "Canadian Aboriginal Law, 2005" in Ottawa. In December 2005, he was presented with a University of Windsor award in recognition of research and scholarship excellence for the publication of his book Fiduciary Law, (Toronto: Thomson/Carswell, 2005). The fall also saw the appearance of his annual review of developments in Aboriginal Law for the Supreme Court Law Review: (2005) 30 S.C.L.R. (2d) 1-41. He has just completed work on B. Welling, L. Smith, and L.I. Rotman, eds., Canadian Corporate Law: Cases, Notes & Materials, 3rd ed., (Toronto: Butterworths/LexisNexis, 2006), which includes a new chapter on partnerships law and updates to his chapters on corporate personality, constitutional issues, and minority protection. Dr. Rotman's current work includes revisions to J. Borrows and L.I. Rotman, eds., Aboriginal Legal Issues: Cases, Materials & Commentary, 3rd ed., (Toronto: Butterworths/LexisNexis, 2007) and the ongoing production of L.I. Rotman, B. Elman, and G. Gall, eds., Constitutional Law, (Toronto: Thomson/Carswell, TBA).



## DAVID TANOVICH

David Tanovich released his book on racial profiling, *The Colour of Justice: Policing Race In Canada* (Toronto: Irwin Law, 2006). Other publications included "Law's Ambition and the Reconstruction of Role Morality in Canada" in Volume 28 of the *Dalhousie* 

Law Journal; "Moving Beyond 'Driving While Black' In Canada: Race, Suspect Description and Selection" in Volume 36 of the Ottawa Law Review; and, Evidence: Principles and Problems (7th ed.) (with Professors Ron Delisle and Don Stuart). In 2005–2006, he was invited to present the F.B. Wickwire Memorial Lecture on Professional Responsibility and Legal Ethics at Dalhousie Law School; and, the Culliton

Lecture in Criminal Law at the University of Saskatchewan College of Law. He also presented his research at a Faculty Seminar at the Faculty of Law, Dalhousie University (Halifax); the Critical Race Theory and Human Rights Conference (Toronto); the Social Justice In-Action Community Discussion Series (Windsor); and, the Kathleen Lahey Feminist Speaker Series (Windsor). Professor Tanovich was awarded the 2005/2006 University of Windsor Award for Excellence in Scholarship, Research and Creative Activity. He also successfully coached the 2004-2005 Gale Cup team to a second-place finish at the competition in Toronto.



## MYRA TAWFIK

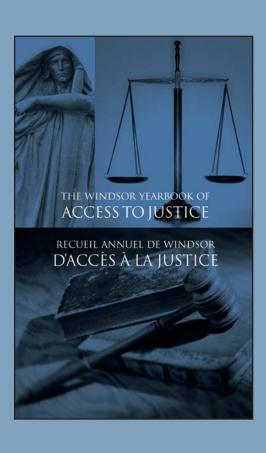
Myra Tawfik's most recent publication is "International Copyright Law: W[h]ither User Rights?, Chapter 3 in In the Public Interest: The Future of Canadian Copyright Law, Geist, M., ed., (Toronto: Irwin Law, 2005). She presented this paper at the Canada-

Australia Comparative IP and Cyberlaw Conference held at the University of Ottawa in October 2005. The Intellectual Property Legal Information Network (IPLIN), a student-run resource for the provision of legal information on IP and innovation law issues serving the Windsor-Essex County community, has been granted three-year stable funding from the Law Foundation of Ontario. IPLIN Interns, working under the supervision of Professor Tawfik, are developing a website and workshops on topics ranging from copyright to privacy.

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## Windsor Yearbook of Access to Justice

In the past months, the faculty-run Journal has published three issues with leading contributors from Canada, the USA, Australia and the UK. The issues have cutting-edge research regarding sexual abuse, the success of arguments by interest groups, the history of the judicial treatment of the equality rights provision of the Charter, sovereignty and access to justice, and law reform. For those readers in the public service, one should purchase issue two – an in-depth series of essays on perspectives of law reform in Canada, the UK and Australia. The editor-in-chief, Dr. Bill Conklin and the new co-ordinator, Vidya Balanchan, pursued an aggressive marketing of the journal during recent months throughout the UK, Australia, USA and New Zealand and will continue that into Asia and Africa. Through the marketing and the institutionalization of procedures that make for a high quality of scholarship, the editors aim to make a mark for Windsor Law throughout the world. Take a look at the web site: www.uwindsor.ca/wyaj

## Student News

## SPOTLIGHT ON WINDSOR LAW SPEAKERS SERIES

The STUDENTS' LAW SOCIETY SPEAKERS COMMITTEE, consisting of Michael Galego '06 (Chair), Shazin Karim '06, Virginia Nelder '06 and Ian Matthews, Law II, presented "OPEN FORUM WITH ONTARIO'S ATTORNEY GENERAL" in September 2005. Mr. Attorney General MICHAEL BRYANT spoke to students about his current position as Ontario's Attorney General and about several of his recent cases, including the debate surrounding pitt bull bans. In conjunction with the LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT LAW SOCIETY, the speakers' series presented a panel discussion, "WHEN BIG BUSINESS RESISTS: WAL-MART AND UNIONIZATION" in October 2005. The panelists included: Jim Hayes from Cavalluzzo Hayes Shilton McIntyre Cornish LLP, Dr. Allan Hall, George King from McTague Law Firm, and Windsor West MP Brian Masse.

Through sponsorship from TRILLIUM GIFT OF LIFE NETWORK and TORYS LLP, they presented a panel discussion on the medical, legal, and ethical issues surrounding organ and tissue donation. The panel was entitled, "DONATING THE GIFT OF LIFE THROUGH PRESUMED CONSENT" and addressed the viability of presumed consent as a method of improving Ontario's donation program. The panelists included: Honourable Justice T. David Marshall, Minister of Health for Canada Tony Clement, Brian Flood from Torys LLP, intensive care physician Dr. Neil Lazar, and the director of the Multi-organ Transplant Unit at Toronto General Hospital Dr. Gary Levy.

In conjunction with WOMEN AND THE LAW, and THE BLACK LAW STUDENTS'
ASSOCIATION, they presented Valerie Smith who spoke on "Hate rap and discrimination against women under the Ontario Human Rights Code" in November 2005.

The General Manager for the Toronto Maple Leafs, JOHN FERGUSON JR. also came to speak to students in November 2005.

As part of the BROWN BAG LUNCH SERIES, counsel to the LAW SOCIETY OF UPPER CANADA and Windsor Law alumna LISA OSAK (Manager of Intake and Case Management) and DAN ABRAHAMS (Counsel to the Director of Professional Regulation), along with Hershal Gross, spoke on behalf of the LSUC and its regulatory mandate. The event, "WHAT GETS NEW LAWYERS INTO TROUBLE?" was held in February 2006. The Brown Bag Lunch Series, sponsored by MCCARTHY TÉTRAULT LLP, was designed to address practical concerns relevant to all students. Other speakers discussed nutrition, financial planning, and stress management. In January 2006 Windsor Law alumni DEAN MASSE '97 and WENDI LOCKE '00 from MCCARTHY TETRAULT LLP spoke to students about their respective careers at an event entitled "THE REAL DEAL ABOUT BAY STREET."

THE CANADIAN-AMERICAN RESEARCH CENTRE FOR LAW AND POLICY ANNUAL SPEAKERS SERIES, presented DR. MATTHEW RIMMER of the Australian National University on "Google: Search or Destroy?" to discuss the benefits and drawbacks of the Google digitization project in January 2006. Dr. Rimmer also delivered a faculty seminar "The Jean Chretien Pledge to Africa Act: Patent Law and Humanitarian Aid" regarding the implementation of the WTO General Council Decision in 2003 which resolved that developed nations could export patented pharmaceutical drugs to member states in order to address public health issues such as AIDS/HIV, tuberculosis, malaria and other epidemics.



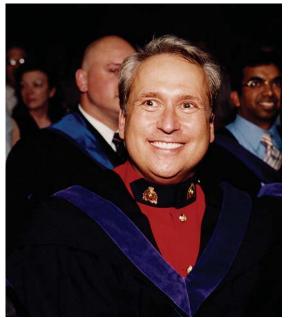
Attorney General Michael Bryant spoke to the law school as part of Windsor Law Speakers Series.



Dr. Matthew Rimmer of the Australian National University discusses the Google digitization project.

## Entering the Legal Profession:

Convocation 2005 and Call to the Bar Receptions





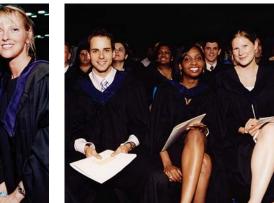












## WELCOMING ONTARIO'S NEWEST LAWYERS









indsor Law offers special congratulations to William Willis '04, who won the Treasurer's Medal for highest standing in the Bar Admission Course, the Ronald O. Daly Scholarship and the Edwin George Long K.C. Memorial Scholarship for the highest grades in the Bar Admission Course, the Osgoode Society for Canadian Legal History Prize for the top 25 students in the Bar Admission Course and a share of the William Belmont Common Q.C. Prize for the second-highest grade in Criminal Law.

Dina Mejalli '04 was also awarded the Osgoode Society for Canadian Legal History Prize, and the S.J. Birnbaum Q.C. Scholarship, and the prize for the third-highest grade in Estate Planning.

Lynda Levesque '04 also won the Osgoode Society for Canadian Legal History Prize.



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## Alumni and Friends Gala Dinners

WINDSOR LAW ALUMNI: COMMITTED TO STAYING CONNECTED

Windsor Alumni Dinner Committee

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Elizabeth Craig '94

Shannon Tomkins '91

Mary Jane Moynahan '94

Kaitlyn McCabe '94

David Robins '97

Phil Chandler '04

Zane Handysides '04

**Alumni Committee Members:** 

indsor Law hosted two alumni dinners in Fall 2005. Our first-ever Ottawa Alumni Dinner was held October 27, 2005, at the Rideau Club overlooking Parliament Hill. William Trudell '71 recounted his experience as a member of the first graduating class. He fondly remembered former Deans Walter Tarnopolsky and Mark McGuigan, and spoke of how his classmates are some of the most prominent lawmakers in Canada.

Our fourth-annual Windsor Law Dinner was held at the Caboto Club in Windsor, with Guest Speaker John Ottenheimer '82. Windsor Law Alumni Elizabeth Craig '94, Kaitlyn McCabe '94, and David Robins '97 were given Certificates of Appreciation for their involvement in alumni activities at Windsor Law.

We welcome your suggestions on how we can make these events meaningful to you. Please call (519) 253-3000, Ext. 2920 or e-mail karenm@uwindsor.ca

## Thank You

Windsor Law would like to thank the following alumni for the continuing success of our Alumni Dinners:

## Ottawa Alumni Dinner Committee

**Dinner Chairs:** 

Master Robert Beaudoin '79

Stuart McCormack '79

Tom Reaume '87

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Aly Alibhai '90

## **Alumni Committee Members:**

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## Vancouver: The Pacific Scene

By Liz Warwick



aybe it was just the impetuousness of youth.
Or perhaps it was the enduring and celebrated call of British Columbia's natural beauty.
Whatever the reason, Mary Buttery '91 found herself almost 10 years ago, sitting on Longhorn Patio at the Whistler ski resort, and making a life-changing decision. She would leave her Bay Street job, her family and friends, and move west. "It was completely a lifestyle decision," she says. The lure of the mountains, the possibility of being able to live an hour from Whistler, and the chance to enjoy a more outdoor life all conspired to make British Columbia her home.

"My then-boyfriend (now husband) and I came back to Toronto after the trip. It was March. We wrote our transfer exams (before the era of practice mobility between the provinces), found jobs and moved out to Vancouver by the end of July." After the initial shock and disorientation of leaving her family and friends in Ontario, Buttery began establishing new roots and connections to the place she now calls home.

A partner at Fraser, Milner, Casgrain LLP, Buttery specializes in commercial insolvency and restructuring as well as general commercial litigation. Collegiality and balance are the two words she mentions most often when talking about law practice on the Pacific coast. "Vancouver has a very social, tight-knit bar. It is extremely collegial, and very helpful and welcoming to people just starting their career, or like I was, people moving into the jurisdiction," she says. Buttery has come to know many lawyers in her area of specialty, and other lawyers through activities such as her work with the Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia.

As the mother of twin six-year-old boys, Buttery appreciates the balance she can achieve between work and family time. Her firm made her partner just three months after she came back from maternity leave. "I really feel like I can have it all here," she says. "It's a very balanced place to practise law. Lawyers are happy being lawyers here, but at the same time, it is not what defines us. There is a recognition that we have more interests in life than just practising law." Those other interests include lots of skiing and hiking. Her boys ride their bikes all year round, play in the family's backyard under 75-foot trees and yet she is just 10 kilometres away from her downtown law office. Over the years, "We've met a lot of great people who are active and community-minded, and with whom we enjoy spending time. It would be hard to live anywhere else now."

A deep attachment to the area where he was raised convinced Jim Barbour '88 to return to his native British Columbia after his years at Windsor Law School. While he jokes that he moved east to become a law student "because someone told me it doesn't get cold in Windsor in the winter," he had deeply appreciated his experience. "The Law

School provided me with a well-rounded legal education and a solid base from which I could learn more about the law as I advance through my career," he says. "I feel that the smaller class sizes at Windsor at the time I went there contributed to me getting a more concentrated form of education. I felt that I was getting four years of legal education rolled into three."

Upon graduation, he took an articling position with a sole practitioner in his hometown of Surrey, eventually becoming Crown Counsel in Abbotsford, doing prosecutions at both the Provincial and Supreme Court levels. "I deal with cases ranging from chocolate bar thefts to murder. There is never a dull moment."

Barbour says he benefits from the strong sense of community among lawyers in the Vancouver area. "The Vancouver-area Bar Associations have a strong sense of community. There is also a diversity of employment, he notes, so it is easier for people to find work they love. "Vancouver is big enough to allow a law graduate to find work in a large firm in almost any area of the law. At the same time, if a person wishes to be involved with a smaller firm, the suburbs offer those opportunities in abundance. There is something for everyone."

And when it comes time to turn off the office lights and call it a day, the British Columbia offers unsurpassed recreational opportunities. "Anyone who has an interest in the outdoors does not have to go far to enjoy it. You have a choice of three ski locations just 15 minutes out of downtown Vancouver. Or you can go boating from downtown. Or maybe do both on the same day." The area's mild – albeit wet – climate makes walking, biking and hiking easy all year round, he adds. "Most of these outdoor activities are easy on the budget and you can participate in most of them at the spur of the moment as well. No need for long-term planning just in order to have a little bit of fun."

The call of the Pacific Coast has even been heard – and heeded – by natives of Windsor. Dale Pope Q.C. '79, born and raised in Windsor, chose Windsor Law despite offers from other schools. "I became a member of the first graduating class to occupy the new law building and to spend our entire three years there," he says. "It was quite a time at Windsor Law. There was a camaraderie that we all shared and, although my moving west has distanced me from most of my graduating classmates – the majority of whom decided to stay in Ontario – I have maintained several valuable and close relationships with alumni from my graduating year."

Upon graduation, Pope's sense of adventure led him to Calgary for about six years. Then, he moved to Vancouver in 1979 to live in what he calls "arguably the most beautiful city in Canada, if not the world." Today Pope is a partner at Davis and Co., and a senior member of the firm's Litigation and Alternate Dispute Resolution group and Public Affairs group.

His expertise includes defense and prosecution of major commercial and construction litigation and arbitration, extraordinary relief measures and criminal defense.

Pope notes that, in addition to the city's natural beauty, there is a palpable sense of energy, optimism and hope for the and knowing that I'd likely come back to Vancouver for my career, I took advantage of the opportunity to move away to study law."

After graduation, Mondin considered working in Toronto but gravitated back to her family and friends on the west







future: "This feels like a city that is on the verge of greatness with the coming of the 2010 Olympics, the vibrant economy and the Pacific Rim opportunities." Pope also commends the congeniality of both the bar and the larger business community. "The city itself is large enough to feel that you are in a 'big' city with the result that our files are as good as any in the country." In addition, with the now interjurisdictional practice ability, one can live on the West Coast and work throughout the country.

The area's beauty that drew him west in the first place hasn't lost its appeal: "The ability to leave the big city and become involved in outdoor activities at a moment's notice is an obvious plus," says Pope. "Whether one is a boater, hiker, skier, snowboarder, mountain biker or other fitness fanatic, the city and its environs are a Mecca for those activities."

The offer of an articling position brought Allison Crane '96 to Vancouver. She considers herself lucky to have linked up with a fellow Windsor Law graduate who was originally from Vancouver and was able to help Crane get used to the new city. "It was nice to have someone outside my firm to share articling stories with," says Crane.

Now, ten years after her move to the West Coast, Crane wouldn't live anywhere else. She is senior legal counsel for Weyerhaeuser Company, a forest products company and is President of the BC Corporate Counsel/CCCA chapter.

The pleasures of the west coast begin when you leave the office. "There is a good balance here. People respect the fact that you have other activities and priorities outside of work," says Crane. "Vancouver is also a very active city, and firms encourage that – we even have annual law ski races at Whistler in March!"

Even BC natives who left the area for schooling or work find themselves coming back. Rosy Mondin '96, born and raised in Vancouver, chose to attend Windsor Law School to experience other areas of Canada. "Being from Vancouver, coast – a decision she most certainly does not regret. "The lifestyle here is incredible," Mondin says. "Although Vancouver has a very laid-back West Coast attitude – you can easily find many Vancouverites strolling the seawall with a latte in hand) – Vancouver has a strong work ethic. People here have busy lives." For those interested in Pacific Rim commerce, she adds, the West Coast is an important hub.

Mondin works as an in-house counsel for Global Financial Group Inc., which is launching an "e-globe X-change". It will allow the listing and trading of real estate-backed securities and instruments. She does both solicitor work and litigation. Given the specialized nature of her work for a venture company, Mondin says she doesn't have as much contact with the larger legal community as do those in more traditional practice. However, she too finds the law community to be open and helpful. "There are many resources for lawyers here and, if you have an issue and need to turn to someone, there's always someone willing to help out."

Although Angela Folino '06 graduated a decade after Rosy Mondin, the two women share a common feeling about the Pacific coast. A native Vancouverite, Angela wanted to study elsewhere in Canada. At Windsor Law, she found an atmosphere that encouraged student participation. "The size of the school is ideal for getting to know fellow students and faculty," she says. "The school provides an environment that allows students to get involved in activities beyond their studies. Student participation is encouraged at all levels, which allows students to develop their interpersonal and communication skills while cultivating friendships and professional ties that will last a lifetime."

Folino had been considering working in Toronto, but between her second and third year at Windsor, she returned to take a job in Vancouver. By the end of the summer, she says, "With the fresh air, the mountains, the water – I knew that that was where I needed to be."

## Alumni News

CLASS OF 1996 10TH ANNIVERSARY REUNION







## Alumni Achievements

If you have an update for our Alumni Achievements section, or if we have inadvertently omitted someone, please contact the editor at *Nulli Secundus* (nulli@uwindsor.ca) to ensure we recognize our alums and their successes!

### 1970s

**John Kingsmill '71** is counsel at Identec Solutions in Kelowna, British Columbia.

William Wright '73 is the president of the University of Windsor Alumni Association.

Donald Dobkin '75, (LL.M. Northwestern '76) formerly the senior partner of Dobkin & Associates P.C. of Farmington Hills, MI, has retired from the practice of law. He is currently pursuing a PhD in Political Science at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland.

Robert Nuttall '75 and Judyth Rekai '77 practise law together at Nuttall, Rekai in Toronto.

**Kenneth McKay '78** is director of the newly amalgamated corporation MedX Health Corp. Kenneth practises at Sim, Hughes, Ashton & McKay LLP in Toronto.

**Linda Lamoreux '79** is chair of the Health Professionals Appeal Review Board.

## 1980s

David Bertschi '83 has joined with colleagues to form the firm Bertschi Orth Smith LLP. He was previously chair of the Insurance Litigation Practice Group with Lang Michener LLP in Ottawa. Windsor Law's former director of the JD/LL.B. program, Virginia Shea '02, has joined Bertschi Orth Smith LLP as an associate.

**Tory Colvin '83** was appointed to the Superior Court in London, Ontario.

**Stephen Firestone '86** is the consulting editor of the 2006 edition of the *Ontario Motor Vehicle Insurance Law and Commentary* and practises at Lackman Firestone in Toronto.

**Jeffrey Hoffman '86** is an associate with Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP where he practises commercial litigation.

Brian Manarin '86 is an assistant Crown Attorney in Windsor. He has taught as a sessional instructor since 2002 in both the University of Windsor School of Social Work and the Faculty of Law. In September 2005, he was named "Lawyer of the Year" by New Beginnings Youth Group Homes for his volunteer work in the Windsor Community.

**Jerry Kovacs '88** was honoured with the Canadian Peacekeeping Services Medal presented by the Government of Canada.

Janet Bobechko '89 is chair of the Ontario Bar Association program on "Environmental Liability and Bill 133: What You Need to Know." She is a partner at Blaney McMurtry LLP in Toronto.

### 1990s

**Winfield Corcoran '90** is a member of the Health Professionals Appeal Review Board in Toronto. He practises in Hamilton.

**Corina Kelly '90** is counsel at Public Works and Government Services in Gatineau, Ouebec.

**Dora Nipp '90** is undertaking her master's degree in Dispute Resolution at the Institute for Dispute Resolution at the University of Victoria. She is counsel with the Ontario Human Rights Commission.

**lan Mackenzie '90** is vice-chair of the Public Services Labour Relations Board in Ottawa.

Tom Atkinson '91 is the president and CEO of Market Regulation Services Inc. (RS). Successfully launching RS in March 2002, he was instrumental in creating Canada's first independent stock market regulator.

**Justin de Vries '91** has joined the law offices of Hull & Hull LLP, in Toronto.

**Lisa Abe '92** is a partner at Fasken Martineau DuMoulin LLP practising in the Intellectual Property and Information Technology area.

**Glen Jennings '92** has joined Hunt Partners LLP in Toronto.

**David Beckett '94** is serving a three-year appointment as a member of the Grant Review Team with the Ontario Trillium Foundation.

**Gary Indech '94** and his wife Ilana Fine-Indech of Ottawa and New York City welcomed their first child, Shoshana, on February 24, 2005.

Beverly Jacobs '94 was elected in October 2004 for a two-year term as president of the Native Women's Association of Canada. She is recognized as a national Aboriginal leader advocating on behalf of Aboriginal women.

**Stephen Kines '94** is a member of the New York, D.C., Ontario and Czech Republic bars and a former equity partner and head of TMT in CEE at a top global law firm. He is listed by

Chambers Global and Legal Business as one of the top TMT lawyers in the Czech Republic.

**Pauline Rietta '94** is vice president, Legal, at Ford Credit Canada Limited in Oakville.

Tedd Betts '95 is a partner at Blake Cassels & Graydon LLP. In June 2005, he and his wife, Nathalie Foy, and their son Griffin, welcomed their second son, Rowan. Ted was instrumental in organizing the Class of 1995 reunion and encourages classmates to contact him at ted.betts@blakes.com

**Carol Bresgi '95** is the founder of the Canadian Men's Clinic, and is expecting baby number three, with husband Neil Yack, in early 2006.

Ling Xia '95 travelled to Shanghai, China, to launch the Chinese edition of *Two Innocents in Red China*, a book written by former Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau and former Senator Jacques Hebert. Ling acted as the literary agent and co-translator. Ling practises Canadian and US trademark law in Toronto.

Salima Alibhai '96 welcomed her daughter Fatima Sarah Kassim Lakha. She was recently promoted to Senior Consultant with ZSA Legal Recruitment.

David Zaritzky Brown '96 has moved to Lincoln, Nebraska in March 2005, after practising in San Francisco for four years. Dave has been admitted to the New England bar and is counsel to the Immigration Practice of Harding, Shultz and Downs. On May 26, 2005 David and his wife Jenni welcomed their first child, a daughter, Parker Finley Brown.

**Katherine Byrick '96** is a partner at Borden Ladner Gervais LLP.

**Sander Grieve '96** is a partner at Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP. In April 2005, Sander and his wife Tierney welcomed their first child, James Edward "Jed" Alexander Grieve.

**Kerry Jameson '96** and her husband Alan McCormack and daughter Piper welcomed their second child, Jack, on February 7, 2005.

**Susan Nickerson '96** is a partner at Hicks Morley LLP, in the firm's pension and benefits group, in Toronto.

**Dave Singh '96** is a lawyer for the Department of Justice, Aboriginal Affairs Portfolio.

J. Bradley White '96 is a partner at Osler Hoskin and Harcourt, in Ottawa, practising in the Intellectual Property department. Keith Bird '97 has been selected as co-lecturer for the 2005 Patent Law Course at Windsor Law along with Peter Wells and Don MacOdrum of Lang Michener LLP. He is a Patent and Trade Mark agent in the Intellectual Property Law Group.

**Robyn Grant '98** is a partner at Borden Ladner Gervais LLP.

Omer Ozden '98 was invited by the Canada China Business Council and Lu Shumin, the new ambassador of China to Canada, to a private round table of China experts in Toronto to discuss ways China and Canada can increase business together. The round table was hosted by the CCBC and held in Toronto on May 25, 2005. It consisted of 12 participants from Toronto and China including executives and representatives from various Canadian financial institutions, industries operating in China and local law firms. Omer's firm, Hodgson Russ LLP is one of the few law firms with full-time offices in Toronto exclusively practising U.S. law. Omer is a member of Hodgson Russ's Corporate & Securities and International/Cross-Border Practice Groups. His practice focuses primarily on international financial transactions relating to the US, Canada and Asia.

Rita Chadda '99 is legal counsel and director of Legal Affairs, Multi-Health Systems Inc. She was named one of "The Top 40" in a list of house-lawyers 40 and under by the *National Post*.

**Ian Hull '99** has launched his own company, Hull Estate Mediation Inc.

**Daniel Jeon '99** has joined Bennett Jones as an associate specializing in Corporate Securities and Mergers and Acquisitions.

## 2000s

Sarah Rimmington '00 recently obtained her Master's Degree in International Affairs (Human Rights and Development Policy) from Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) in New York City. She lives in Washington, D.C. and is the communications and advocacy fellow at Jubilee USA Network, working on the campaign for international debt relief.

Timothy Sullivan '00 married Lauri Emery in Perth, Ontario, April 16, 2005. Alumni in attendance were Lorrie Stonji '00 and Tom Meehan '00. He practises civil and family litigation at Menzies & Coulson in Ottawa. He wrote us at nulli@uwindsor.ca to encourage his classmates to keep in touch, particularly if they have the opportunity to spend some time in Ottawa.

Amanda Magda (Iwasiw) '01 married Brian Magda on May 14, 2005 in Dundas, Ontario. She is in-house counsel for The Personal Insurance Company and Certas Direct Insurance.

Jennifer Armstrong '02 and Mark Hayman '98 married December 31, 2005. Jennifer is practising at Stikeman Elliott LLP and Mark is practising at Chitiz Pathak LLP in Toronto.

Margaret Forbes '02 is an associate with McCarthy Tetrault LLP in Business Law.

**Murugha Sundararajan '02** is a tax consulting manager for Transaction (M&A) Advisory Services at Ernst & Young LLP in New York.

**Fernand Vartanian '02** has completed his LL.M. at NYU.

Angela D'Alessandro '03 is an associate with Miller Canfield Paddock and Stone LLP in Windsor.

**Christine Dear '03** is an associate at Chitiz Pathak practising in the Business Law Group.

Ryan Jacobs '03 is an associate in the Financial Restructuring Group at Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP in New York.

Jennifer Mathers '03 is practising Commercial Litigation & Dispute Resolution Law, Tax Law and Constitutional Law at Lerners LLP in Toronto.

**Liliana Ripandelli '03** was sworn into the New York Bar in May 2005.

**Angelina Whiteman '03** joined the firm of Maples & Calder, George Town, Cayman Islands.

**Keith Bannon '04** and **Karen Willans '03** married on August 27, 2005, in Inglewood, Ontario.

**Sherri Altshuler '04** is an associate with Aird & Berlis in the corporate finance group.

Jane Bullbrook '04 is trademark counsel for RIM in Waterloo.

**David Contant '04** has joined the firm Pallett Valo LLP in its Commercial Litigation division in Mississauga Ontario.

Jan Gandhi '04 is an associate with the law firm of Aronovitch Macaulay and Rollo LLP practising Insurance Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution.

**Patricia Garcia '04** practises as an associate at Carranza law firm in Toronto.

**Heather Gillespie '04** has joined the firm of Kitchen Kitchen Simeson McFarlane as an associate lawyer practising in the area of Family Law.

**Danielle Goose '04** is an associate with Reisler Franklin LLP in Toronto.

**Matt Grant '04** practises with the Business Law section of Ogilvy Renault in Toronto.

Angelika Heim '04 is an associate with Goodman and Carr LLP in the Business Law Group.

**Fariborz Haghighatjou '04** has established his own law practice in the Yonge/Finch area of North York.

**Trenton Johnson '04** has joined the Waterloo office of Miller Thomson LLP.

**Corinne Kulyk '04** practises civil litigation and privacy law at Pitblado LLP in Winnipeg.

**Thalia Lidakis '04** is an associate of Forbes Chochla LLP in Toronto.

**Dina Mejalli '04** is legal counsel at the Children's Aid Society in Windsor.

**Stephanie Moore '04** is an associate at Miller Canfield Paddock & Stone PLC in Windsor, working with the Canadian Law group.

Patty Robinet '04 has accepted a research and writing position at Lancaster House, a legal publishing company.

**David Silver '04** is practising Bankruptcy and Insolvency law at Gardiner Roberts LLP.

Amber Sinclair '04 is in Clermont-Ferrand, France teaching American law to French students through an exchange program with University of Detroit Mercy.

**Karen Smith '04** is practising with the Business Law section of Gowlings in Ottawa.

Jennifer Stanton '04 is pursuing a graduate degree at the University of Auckland,
New Zealand

Jayne Westlake '04 is an associate with Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP in Toronto working in the Business Law area.

**Claudine Wilson '04** is obtaining her LL.M. at Georgetown University.

**Robert Wright '04** is an associate with Epstein Cole LLP practising Family Law.



Michael Van Eesbeek '04 and Janie Lin '04 married in Scarborough, Ontario, October 22, 2005. He has joined the firm of Ridout Maybee LLP in Toronto.

Mark Crane '04 practises in the Advocacy section, and David Cummings '04 is in the Corporate Finance section, of Gowlings in Toronto. Michelle MacGillivray '04 is in the Advocacy section of the Waterloo offices.

Lukasz Petrykowski '05 is the president of the Toronto Chapter of the Catholic Civil Rights League.

Joe Vernon '05 was called to the Michigan Bar in November 2005.

Richard Roth '04 is an associate with the law firm of Dutton Brock LLP in Toronto. He practises with Windsor Law alumna Anna-Marie Musson '02.

Siyoung Park '05 passed the New York State and the New Jersey state bar examination in July 2005.

## New Members of Government

Windsor Law has added five alumni to the House of Commons in the recent federal election. Joe Comartin '70 and Joe Comuzzi '80 both retained their previous seats. Alums Robert Nicholson '77, Lloyd St. Amand '77 and recent graduate Patrick Brown '04 were also elected. Congratulations!

## In Memoriam

Gary Peacock '74 passed away in November 2005. He was a partner in the firm McCague, Peacock, Borlack, McInnis & Lloyd LLP in Toronto. His colleagues remember him for his legal acumen, his graciousness and collegiality. A mentor to many, he set the highest standards of professionalism and integrity.

Ivan Fernandes '86 passed away in November 2005, after a battle with cancer. He was a Justice of the Ontario Court of Justice in Toronto. Born to Indian parents in Uganda, who were forced to flee to Canada with only the items they could carry, he attended Windsor Law and made Canada his home. At his swearing-in ceremony, he said "I have been sworn in to uphold the laws of Canada, the country that gave hope, refuge and promise to my family and to myself, and to an entire generation of Ugandans."

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## **Golden Memories**

Retired Professor John G. W. (Ted) Manzig and his wife, Sandra Manzig, celebrated their 50th anniversary this past year, after marrying on August 27, 1955. The Manzigs are usually remembered by alums from an earlier era of Windsor Law, for the large dinners they would host for law students and their families. Professor Manzig began teaching at Windsor Law in 1970 and officially retired in 1994. Congratulations Ted and Sandra!

## Townley wins Department of **Justice Award**

Danielle Townley '05 won the Department of Justice's Dispute Resolution Award in Law Studies. The paper, entitled "Competitive Mooting and Adversarial Advocacy: A Draft Model for Change" argues that the current model of competitive mooting fails to prepare today's law students for real-life advocacy practice, emphasizing "winning" in the traditional style of adversarial advocacy, rather than servicing the client's needs and other approaches promoted by alternative dispute resolution mechanisms. She is an associate with Torys LLP in Toronto.

## A Monumental **Achievement**

Windsor Law alumna Leisha Nazarewich '88 co-chaired the committee for the erection of a Holodomor monument. commemorating over seven million men, women and children who starved to death in Ukraine in 1932-33 under the Stalinist regime.

The dedication and blessing of the monument was attended by over 200 individuals from the Windsor Ukrainian community and dignitaries from across Ontario.

The new monument in Windsor is the only one of its kind in Ontario, and the third in Canada. It is located in the Oueen Elizabeth II Gardens in Windsor, Ontario.



Above: Member of Parliament Joe Comartin '71, Windsor Mayor Eddie Francis '02, Karen Momotiuk '96 and chairperson Leisha Nazarewich '88 attend the memorial dedication.

## From the Editor



## **DEAR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS:**

Nulli Secundus has always provided Windsor Law with an opportunity to recognize creative contributions to the legal profession. In this issue, we bring you a glimpse into legal life in some great destinations for unique applications of our program.

I hope you enjoy the article "The Pacific Scene" on alums practising on

Canada's west coast. This article on Vancouver alumni, two of whom were classmates of mine back in 1993, reminds us of what a diverse group of alumni we have. We have everincreasing numbers of students heading for this important centre, and you might enjoy reading their perspectives on why Vancouver calls to them after graduation.

I always love visiting Ottawa, and after much planning we held our first gala dinner in October. William Trudell's speech was one of the high points of our year. He spoke about the tremendous and principled growth of our Law School from its humble beginnings in 1968. When Bill graduated in 1971, he and his classmates went out and forged ahead, becoming influential members of Canada's legal landscape. He remembered fondly men from Windsor Law's past – Walter Tarnopolsky, Mark McGuigan, Ed Ratushny, John McLaren, and Ron Ianni. Our gala dinner will hopefully be just the beginning of a rekindled connection with our alumni in Ottawa.

For all our recent graduates, particularly the Classes of 2004 and 2005, you will see some familiar faces in our convocation and Call to the Bar pictorials. I encourage you to keep in touch as your careers develop. It is always a pleasure hearing about your successes. You're missed!

We also travelled back in time for three reunions – the 10th Anniversary of the Graduation of the Classes of 1995 and 1996, and the 25th Anniversary for the Class of 1980. For the tenth anniversary reunions we have been inviting the graduating class, and the classes immediately before and after to join in. We have had fabulous turnouts.

In September, we hosted the 25th anniversary reunion for the ever-youthful Class of 1980. Rumor has it that this class was the youngest group ever admitted to Windsor Law. Classmates Lon Hall, Norm Grosman, Tim Buckley, Patty Simpson and Bill Gale brought such enthusiasm to the task that they've inspired the Class of 1981 to hold their own reunion this fall. Please keep in touch with us for more details.

Ten years after graduation, my own class of 1996 gathered at the Bier Markt in Toronto (after the fabulous precedent set by the Class of 1995, last year). We barely came up for air catching up on everyone's news - new jobs, new partners, new babies, new career directions! It was amazing to see everyone and, quite frankly, everyone looks much better now than they ever did in the nineties. Our class's gift is a speakers' series directed to the Law IIIs regarding what we know now, that we wish we knew when we graduated. I personally want to thank everyone for attending and making the evening memorable!

Of course, the highlight of my year was spending some time with alumnus John Barker '74 and his family while on vacation in Providenciales in the Turks and Caicos Islands. I would also like to thank Sail Provo and its owner, alumnus Bill Chapman '76, for their hospitality in hosting us. Transaction law, real estate practice and offshore ventures never seemed so interesting! Just the thought of combining such a stunning place to vacation with a highly specialized law practice inspired me to take on a writer's role for this issue. That's the greatest part about this job – how it constantly presents new applications for law, learning, and life in general!



KAREN MOMOTIUK '96

**EDITOR** 

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## Windsor Law Events

## Class of 1976 30th Anniversary Reunion: WINDSOR

Friday September 15 through Sunday September 17th, 2006 For Further Information Contact: Carole Curtis '76 @ (416) 340-1850 carolecurtis@carolecurtis.com

## Class of 1981 25th Anniversary Reunion: WINDSOR

Friday October 27th through Sunday October 29th, 2006 For Further Information Contact: Susan Adam Metzler '81 @ (416) 595-8500 smetzler@millerthomson.com

## Windsor Law Gala Dinners Celebrating the 35th Anniversary of our 1st Graduating Class:

### Ottawa Gala Dinner

Tentative Date: November 2, 2006

## Windsor Gala Dinner

Tentative Date: November 9, 2006

## **Hamilton Gala Dinner**

November 16, 2006

### Toronto Gala Dinner

Tentative Date: November 23, 2006

## Alumni Receptions Honouring New Members of the Ontario Bar:

### Ottawa

July 11, 2006 - Fairmont Chateau Laurier: L'Orangerie Room

### London

July 17, 2006 - London Hilton: Queen Victoria Room

### Toronto

July 20, 2006 - Sheraton Centre Toronto: Waterfall Garden

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