

# UBC Emeritus College

# **General Meeting**

#### Wednesday 12 February 2020

#### Jack Poole Hall, Robert H. Lee Alumni Centre

6163 University Blvd (North Parkade)

2:15 Business meeting

2:30 Speaker: Peter Ward, "A History of Habits: Personal Hygiene Habits Over the Last Two Centuries"

3:30 Wine and cheese reception & book display

4:00 Awards ceremony

**Peter Ward** (Emeritus, History) will talk about the development of modern personal hygiene habits, one of the great cultural transformations throughout the western world over the past two centuries. How men and women have cared for their bodies and the clothes they wore has been revolutionized since the late 18<sup>th</sup> century, and in the process the very meaning of cleanliness has been transformed. His talk will explore some of the main features of this transition and some of its broader implications. In particular he will discuss the histories of soap and water, of domestic space and household technology, of privacy and social relations, and of health and beauty.

He has worked on projects involving the social history of Canada and has written extensively on the history of birth weight as an index of maternal wellbeing during the industrialization of western Europe and North America. *The Clean Body* (Mc-Gill-Queen's), his just-published book on the history of personal cleanliness, draws on his experience as a social historian, combined with his interests in comparative history and the history of health.

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#### **Contributions to the Newsletter**

Please send the editor complete information about your recent publications in the citation format of your choice. Include your affiliation(s) (departmental and/or faculty). In future we will not list complete entries in the newsletter. However, we definitely want to acknowledge your work, add it to the College archive, and use it in the College's annual report. We will list your name and the journal or book title in the newsletter. News of keynotes and community work is also welcome. For awards, a description of the award, award citation, or link to the announcement is helpful. We may edit submissions for brevity or clarity.

Thanks to Don Blake for designing the front page and much more, and Carolyn Gilbert and Herbert Rosengarten for their advice and keen eyes for typos, errors and font size changes. All errors and bizarre layout features are the editor's responsibility.

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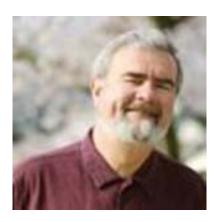
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The Emeritus College (formerly UBCAPE) could not function without the contribution of many past Presidents/ Principals who continue to provide their services. Their names are listed on the College website.

# Principal's Report

As we begin the 2020s, let me wish everyone a Happy New Year! I am delighted to announce that the College Council has now approved a new Emeritus award. The **UBC Emeritus College Award in the Innovative and Creative Endeavours of Emeriti** will celebrate the contribution of Emeriti since attaining Emeritus status. With the approval of Senate, one or more awards of \$1,000 will be offered on an annual basis. The first Award will be in 2020-2021.

The winner of the **2019-2020 President's Distinguished Service Award** will be announced at our General Meeting on February 12, 2020. President Ono will present the Award, and the presentation will be followed by a Wine and Cheese. If this is not enough to impel attendance then we have the added attraction of a talk by Peter Ward, Professor Emeritus, History.



At a recent meeting of the College Council we decided that we should try to capture part of the **history of UBCAPE** by interviewing, and where possible collecting, the papers of Past-Presidents of the Association. Herbert Rosengarten has kindly agreed to coordinate this project, and we are in the process of hiring a research assistant to do this work.

The preparations for the 2020 Annual Conference of the College and University Retiree Associations of Canada (CURAC) are well underway (May13-15, 2020). With the leadership of Carolyn Gilbert, the conference program committee has been able to confirm the participation of many leading scholars in the fields of **Brain Research**, **Ethics and** 

Artificial Intelligence, Gerontology, Healthy Ageing, Health Research and Well-Being (the relationship between Economics and Happiness), among others. These scholars are drawn from the three host universities, the University of British Columbia, the University of Victoria and Simon Fraser University (see p. 4 for more).

In December 2019, the College established an **Ad Hoc Committee to Examine Access to IT for the Emeritus College and its Members**. The purpose of the committee is to further the objective that the College and its members should have the same level of access to IT resources and services as other academic units and 'Active' members of faculty at UBC. Discussions to further this objective are ongoing with the Provost's Office.

Finally, let me draw your attention to the first gathering of a new interest group, **Poetic Odysseys** on January 21, 2020. The coordinators, Philip Resnick (Professor Emeritus, Political Science) and George McWhirter (Professor Emeritus, Creative Writing) welcome all who are interested in writing, reading or listening to poetry.

**Donald Fisher** (Professor Emeritus, Educational Studies)

# Emeritus College General Meeting November 20, 2019

Professor George Hoberg, Professor of Public Policy at UBC, presented a fascinating account of the issues surrounding climate change initiatives in Canada, in particular the battle between oil-producing provinces such as Alberta and Saskatchewan versus



British Columbia and Quebec. British Columbia resists shipment via pipeline to the Pacific coast while Quebec opposes a pipeline through Quebec to the Atlantic coast. All this is happening in the context of the federal government's commitment to reduce carbon emissions to net zero by 2040, while championing expanded pipeline capacity between Alberta and the Pacific coast. He began his presentation by asking whether the current dispute qualifies as a "Crisis of Federalism", when intergovernmental conflict threatens the viability of the national unit. He compared the current situation to the 1980's

conflict between Trudeau senior's government and the province of Alberta over the National Energy Policy, when the federal government forced the province to accept a price for its oil markedly below international levels in order to protect industrial users, especially in Ontario and Quebec. The current conflict pits oil-producing regions, dependent on carbon-intensive resource development, against other jurisdictions with competing values—principally British Columbia. Hoberg did not see this as a "Crisis of Federalism", but pointed out that the federal government has a real dilemma—how can it continue to pursue exporting oil via pipelines while maintaining its commitment to emissions targets? Professor Hoberg did a masterful job presenting all sides of a complex issue.

**Don Blake** (Emeritus College, Political Science)

# Faces of Wellness and Well-being: 2020 CURAC/ARUCC Conference 13-15 May

The University of British Columbia Emeritus College, University of Victoria Retirees Association and Simon Fraser University Retirees Association are proud to host the 2020 CURAC/ARUCC conference and AGM on the UBC campus, May 13 to 15.

CURAC/ARUCC (College and University Retiree Associations of Canada/Associations de retraités des universités et collèges du Canada) membership includes retiree associations and retirees from many post-secondary institutions across Canada.

Come join us in beautiful British Columbia as retiree association members from across the country gather to share ideas and information and also to participate in a series of educational sessions geared to retirement life. This year's sessions focus on wellness and well-being, a major area of research strength at the three universities.

Speakers include Dr. Hugh Cartwright (UVictoria), Dr. Neena Chappell (UVictoria), Dr. Max Cynader (UBC), Dr. Gloria Guttman (SFU), Dr. John Helliwell (UBC), Dr. Anne Martin-Matthews (UBC) and Dr. Heather McKay (UBC).

For more information about the conference and how to register online, visit the website: https://www.emerituscollege.ubc.ca/CURAC2020

## From the College

#### Calling all Emeritus Authors for book display on February 12

At the Wine and Cheese Reception from 3:30 to 5pm on February 12, we will display books written by Emeriti *since retirement and not displayed last year*. President Ono will be present at the reception and we are really looking forward to showing off the things that emeriti do.

Please contact Christina by **Friday, January 31, 2020** either by e-mail (<u>assist@emerituscollege.ubc.ca</u>) or phone (604-827-6359) if you have a book that you would like to display.

#### Call for Art for General Meeting on March 25, 2020

We will hold a display of paintings, drawings, photographs, fabric art, pottery, novels, and poetry books at our General Meeting on March 25, 2020. We are arranging for display tables and poster boards. **Please let the office know by February 14** if you would like to exhibit at that meeting at 604-827-6359 or <a href="mailto:assist@emerituscollege.ubc.ca">assist@emerituscollege.ubc.ca</a>.

#### Grants

Researchers interested in applying for grants should look at the Emeritus College website, where notices will be posted about grants and awards from the office of the Vice-President Research.

#### Amplify your research impact with the UBC Knowledge Exchange Unit

Research is a powerful tool that can drive positive changes. The new Knowledge Exchange Unit within the VP Research & Innovation Office supports the sharing of knowledge to maximize impact through connections with communities, government, not-for-profit organizations and the general public. Collaborating with a rich network of partners, the Unit aims to mobilize research into policy, practice, public dialogue, and culture for the benefit of society. To learn more about our activities: <a href="https://innovation.ubc.ca/how-engage/knowledge-exchange">https://innovation.ubc.ca/how-engage/knowledge-exchange</a> Karine Souffez, Associate Director, Knowledge Exchange, Office of the VP Research & Innovation

**Reminder:** Hold onto your receipts for your scholarly activities. The College program for subsidizing the costs of scholarly activities will be available again for 2019–2020. More information on the procedures will follow in the next newsletter.

**Nominations for Emeritus College Council** The Nominations Committee is working to draft a slate of nominees for the position of Vice-President, 2020-2021, and three 3-year term Members-at-Large for College Council. Terms begin 1 July 2020. Please share your ideas about potential nominees for these positions and/or volunteers for our Standing Committees. We would be delighted to hear from you. Dianne Newell, Committee Chair.

Reply to Sandra van Ark, Administrator (admin@emerituscollege.ubc.ca)

# Ten Years of SpiNepal: From Teachers to Mentors to Senior Peers Peter C. Wing, M.B., Ch.B., M.Sc., FRCSC, & Claire Weeks, M.D., Ph.D., FRCPC

We have both been active members of the International Spinal Cord Society (ISCoS) for years. The stark contrast between outcomes of spinal cord injury (SCI) in better- and lesser-resourced countries inspired us to pursue international work in our fields after retirement (spinal cord injury, SCI, rehab for Claire, orthopaedic spine surgery for Peter). Through ISCoS, we received and enthusiastically accepted a request to spend a couple of weeks in 2009 teaching the young doctor recently hired to work at the Spinal Injury Rehabilitation Centre (SIRC), a free-standing rehab facility with 50 beds near Kathmandu, Nepal. Since inception, SIRC had been staffed by mostly aide-level physiotherapists, occupational therapists, nurses, a social worker and others, but without a dedicated physician. Morbidity remained high, however. Aware of this problem, the organization had recently hired Dr. Raju Dhakal.

Dr.Dhakal was a hard-working, energetic and enthusiastic recent medical school grad, the first disabled person in Nepal to do so (he is paraplegic due to polio contracted when he was two). SCI was new to him, and he absorbed information like a thirsty sponge. SIRC had made a good choice, but he clearly needed more education in SCI than we could hope to provide in short annual trips. To become Nepal's first rehab specialist, Dr. Dhakal wished to pursue residency training in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (PMR). Not only did we offer to sponsor him, but also Dr. Prakash Paudel, a keen and highly-motivated neurosurgical medical officer (= hospitalist), now a gold-medallist planning his spine surgery fellowship. Our focus was on training and mentoring two potential future medical leaders. Both have excelled in their studies and are becoming leaders in spine care. The costs to us? Primarily tuition and manageable cost-of-living stipends for both of them.

What began as a two-week teaching session for Dr. Raju evolved into establishment of the nonprofit Spinal Cord Injury Collaboration, also known as SpiNepal, operating within the UBC Development Office. This two-week commitment is now in its tenth year.

During the tragic 2015 earthquake, when SIRC admitted 117 people with spinal cord injury, we, with advice from colleagues, provided support via Skype. Our program has provided a small piece of Nepal's spine care network: SpiNepal arose from a humble beginning and only succeeds because of the dedicated and creative talent of our Nepali friends. For more information and to support the Spinal Cord Injury Collaboration, visit

spinepal.med.ubc.ca.

Peer counsellors Sonika Dhakal and Ram Bahadur Tamang lead exercises at SIRC Dec 2015.

Photo Peter Wing/Claire Weeks. Used with permission of SIRC.

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# Speakers' Programs

Senior Scholars' Series: The Passions that Drive Academic Life

# UNIVERSITIES AND THE SEARCH FOR TRUTH: THE UNANTICIPATED EDUCATION OF AN IDEALIST

Paul Marantz, Political Science

Coach House, Green College, UBC

Thursday, February 13, 2020, 5:00-6:30 pm with reception to follow

Born long ago, in a place far away (Brooklyn, to be precise), Paul Marantz went off to university to study physics but wound up specializing in Soviet politics and the Cold War. He arrived at UBC for what he assumed would be a short stay, but remained here for his entire career. Along the way, he came to appreciate the importance of collegiality, civility, and mutual respect; he shed some comforting illusions; learned much about the challenges of engaging in the fair-minded weighing of evidence; and witnessed the entirely unexpected demise of the Soviet Union and cessation of the Cold War. Over the years, academic fashions changed, and earlier ideas about truth and free speech are now widely contested.

# SINKING, SWIMMING, OR JUST TREADING WATER? MEETING THE CHALLENGES OF AN ACADEMIC CAREER IN THE HUMANITIES

Herbert Rosengarten, English

Coach House, Green College, UBC

Thursday, March 12, 2020, 5:00-6:30 with reception to follow

The son of refugees from Nazi Germany, Herbert Rosengarten grew up in a post-war Britain that saw radical changes to public health and education, and that offered new opportunities to the children of the working class through state funding.

A sound, if somewhat conventional education led him to Vancouver and the English Department at UBC, just at the time when universities in North America were experiencing the first stirrings of student challenges to traditional authority. Rosengarten experienced the impact of such unrest at UBC, both in the changing attitudes and expectations of students, and in the workings of his department, which became a battleground between liberal and conservative factions, each striving to impose its notions of academic governance. The latter part of his career has been spent largely in administrative posts, which have given him some interesting, if not always positive, insights into the intricacies of academic politics.

**Co-sponsors of the Senior Scholars' Series**: Emeritus College and Green College; organizer Emeritus Professor Ken Carty. For more, see <a href="www.greencollege.ubc.ca">www.greencollege.ubc.ca</a>. Come at 4:30 for tea and coffee in the Green College Piano Lounge and stay for refreshments after the talks. To attend dinner, please make a reservation no later than noon on the business day before the day on which you want to dine. Without prior reservation, we cannot guarantee that you will be served. Pay for your meal at the servery counter by cash, debit or credit (MasterCard, Visa). For reservations call 604-822-0912, or email <a href="kitchen@gcdining.ca">kitchen@gcdining.ca</a>.

# Interest Groups

### Philosophers' Café Friday 21 February 10:30–11:30 am

#### What do Canadians expect from democracy?

Democracy (rule by the people) is a "taken for granted" concept in Canada. But from Athenian democracy through Magna Carta to the Enlightenment the concept has evolved and continues to do so. Is there a process for updating the rules of democracy? Freedom of assembly and speech, inclusiveness and equality, equitable taxes, consent, voting, right of life and minority rights are all questions that need to be resolved in the public square. Even the question of who "the people" are and how authority is shared among us is controversial and bears directly on the kind of democracy Canadians deserve.

All Cafés are at Tapestry, 3338 Wesbrook Mall, starting at 10:30 am. After the Café join us for lunch at Tapestry by calling 604-225-5000 or by checking in at the front desk when you arrive to reserve a spot.

### Photography Friday 28 February 4-6 pm



Room: HA 135 main floor, Sauder building. The theme for this meeting is Getting Older. Meetings are a mix of showing member images and informal discussions of particular photographic issues. We welcome both newcomers and seasoned photographers. Everyone welcome whether you wish to submit images or just look and socialize. Contacts: Derek Applegarth (derek.jenny@shaw.ca) and Mike Whitfield

#### Travel Thursday 20 February 3pm

Room: Laserre 5C, 6333 Memorial Road

The Travel Group will meet three more times this winter at 3pm on the third Thursday in February, March and April. Members of the group usually talk about a trip they have made, but sometimes travel professionals or others who have interesting travel stories to tell, are invited to present. In addition to presentations, Travel Group meetings provide opportunities to share travel information and discuss questions with fellow travellers.

All emeriti, their partners and friends are welcome. Please check the Emeritus College website for more information about the next meeting of the Travel Group. Email richard.spencer@ubc.ca to be added to the mailing list.

#### Poetic Odysseys Wednesday, February 26 at 2:00 pm

Room: Ponderosa F, Room 201

All who are interested in writing, reading or listening to poetry are welcome. Please check the Emeritus College <u>website</u> for information about the next meeting. Contacts: Philip Resnick (Professor Emeritus, Political Science) and George McWhirter (Professor Emeritus, Creative Writing)

#### Film Artists on Film

Presenter John LeBlanc will give a short introduction to each film and lead a short discussion after the screening.

Screenings: Tuesdays: 28 Jan. 3:30pm; 25 Feb. 3:30 pm; 24 Mar. 2:00pm

**Room:** 28 Jan: CEME 1204, Civil and Mechanical Engineering, <u>6250 Applied Science</u> Lane; other rooms to be announced via Emeriti e-mail alerts

**Series Ten**: With their supposed idiosyncratic personalities, yet paradoxically broad-based fandom, artists (across all disciplines) have been frequent subjects of the popular cinema since its early days. For example, Vincent Van Gogh has had numerous films produced about his life, even in recent years. Because they seem above the ordinary, artists fascinate us: their specialness offers a glimpse of a more brilliant existence for ourselves. Such a glimpse, however, can be a trap not only for us, whose dreams of a more intense life are easily exploited by a consumerist society eager to fulfill them, but especially for the artists themselves, whose humanity as well as their artistic contribution can be cheapened.



Jan. 28 – Frida (2003), directed by Julie Taymor, presents the life of Mexican painter, Frida Kahlo. The film is problematized not only by Kahlo's continuing cult appeal, but also by its production within Harvey Weinstein's Miramax studio. Popular culture's growing fascination with Kahlo had led to pop figures such as Madonna eager to exploit her legacy. Weinstein's involvement raises issues of sexual exploitation, particularly given the film's female director and star, but also there is the context of Miramax's business plan: somewhat risqué topics and

treatments to enthral a more upscale audience seeking greater sophistication. Yet, Kahlo's life and art deserve to be better known and understood, and Taymor's abilities in creating vivid, baroque images deserve our attention.

**Feb. 25** – Chronicle of Anna Magdalena Bach (1967), directed by Jean-Marie Straub, decenters the story of the great composer by shifting the focus to his second wife through voice-over readings from her diary. Along with these readings (concerned with day-to-day activities from the composer's life) the film offers a wealth of Bach's music, presented "not as commentary [as it usually is in films] but as aesthetic material itself" as Straub himself explained. Further challenging convention, the music is exhibited unadorned, so as not to detract from its power.



**Mar. 24** – A Quiet Passion (2017), directed by Terence Davies, focuses on the 19<sup>th</sup>-century American poet Emily Dickinson, who (unlike the exotic Frida Kahlo) lived a mundane existence in Amherst, Massachusetts. Yet, Dickinson's singular personality still fascinates us and Davies and lead actor Cynthia Nixon try to do justice to her unique sensibility that powered her accomplished verse, unrecognized in her lifetime. Davies presents a strong evocation of 19<sup>th</sup> century New England, made even more interesting in relation to current America. The film is controversial as it sometimes plays loose with the facts, conflates some characters and invents new ones, and depicts her later years as quite dark.

#### Awards: Order of Canada

The Order recognizes those "whose service shapes our society, whose innovations ignite our imaginations, and whose compassion unites our communities."

**Donald Mavinic** (Professor Emeritus of Civil Engineering), an internationally recognized expert in water treatment, has been appointed to the Order of Canada. Mavinic joined the UBC Applied Science faculty in 1973 and has led numerous advances in the field of wastewater management over the course of his career. These include the development of a system that transforms harmful phosphates from municipal wastewater systems into a clean, continuous-release fertilizer known as Crystal Green®, which increases crop yields and minimizes nutrient leaching and runoff.

In addition to helping wastewater treatment facilities keep their pipes and equipment free of costly mineral build-up, the technology may prevent toxic algae blooms in natural waterways and reduce the need for carbon-intensive phosphate mining. The reactor system, which is commercialized by Vancouver-based company Ostara, is currently in use at 22 sites across North America and Europe.



# Awards: Order of Canada (cont'd)

James V. Zidek (Professor Emeritus of Statistics) has been honoured by his appointment as an Officer of the Order of Canada, an appointment granted to those Canadians who make extraordinary contributions to the Nation. The honour recognizes Dr. Zidek's leadership and influence in the advancement and application of the statistical sciences in Canada and internationally. Throughout his career, Dr. Zidek has shaped the very foundations of statistics, developing cutting edge techniques in a range of areas including Bayesian decision analysis, monitoring network design, and spatial prediction. He has applied his techniques to a striking array of areas to improve the health, welfare, and environment of Canadians. His impact is felt through his ground-breaking research, through the generations of students he has trained and inspired, and through his many leadership roles in the statistics community and in policy, in Canada and internationally.

Canada is admired throughout the world for the excellence of its national statistics



office and respected for the importance it places on evidence-based decision-making and policy formulation. Dr. Zidek's work has contributed to this approach. He has pioneered new statistical methods that inform policies in a range of areas, from air pollution levels and the assessment of their adverse effects on health to setting standards of wood products. Because of his internationally respected expertise, Dr. Zidek has served on a number of scientific advisory committees.

Dr. Zidek has devoted much of his career to shaping statistical science in Canada as a discipline encompassing both theory and applied collaborative work. We see this in his founding and heading of the Statistics Department at the University of British Columbia, in his work at NSERC, in his input to Statistics Canada, and in his leadership and service in the Statistical Society of Canada.

#### Other Awards

**Ian M. Franks** was awarded the inaugural Brawley and Elliott Award for Excellence in Supervision and Mentorship at the Canadian Society for Psychomotor Learning and Sport Psychology Conference, Vancouver, October 2019.

**Jack Taunton** (Sports Medicine) was just inducted into the Canadian Field Hockey Hall of Fame after 30 years as team physician during four Olympics as well as Pan Am games and world championships. Jack's daughter, Kristen Taunton, a UBC Medicine alumna and Orthopaedic Surgeon, played 10 years for the national team.

**Vicki Bernstein** received the valued award for Health and Wellness by the YWCA in 2014 in recognition of her many years in cardiology. She was the only woman in cardiology for 30 years in the division at VGH; she just received her 45-year pin.





Judith Plessis received a lifetime honorary award from CAUCE (Canadian Association for University Continuing Education) in June 2019 at the Association's annual conference, held at McMaster University. The honorary membership is awarded for outstanding regional and national contributions to continuing education and lifelong learning.

Photo taken at the awards ceremony. Dr. Judith Plessis with the 2019 CAUCE President, Carolyn Young of Western University

**John Coope,** an emeritus professor of chemistry for more than 21 years, has won the **2019 Nature Inspiration Award for Lifetime Achievement** from the Canadian Museum of Nature for his "retirement" project in Jericho Park. He applied his interest in botany as founder of the stewardship group that maintains Vancouver's Jericho Beach Park. He has doggedly helped remove plant species that had overrun this well-loved urban park—starting with purple loosestrife, then moving to Japanese knotweed and wild chervil, which he reduced from about 30 000 plants to virtually none. His weekly patrols of the park inspire others to join in. He has kept detailed records, compiling an inventory of the park's 300 plant species and training much younger volunteers about the local plants. His 20 years as a volunteer are an inspiration—proving that we can all make a difference to the conservation of nature, regardless of age. For more, click here.



Photo by Roy Saunders of the Emeritus College Photography Group

Randy Gascoyne (Medicine), a clinical professor at BC Cancer, retired in 2016. In 2014 he made Clarivate Analytics list of the most influential scientific minds in the world and made it again in 2019, staying on the list for 6 years in a row. The citation analysis identifies influential researchers as determined by their peers around the globe – those who have consistently won recognition in the form of high citation counts over a decade. The *Web of Science* serves as the basis for the regular listings of researchers positioned in the top 1% by citations for their field and year.

## Other Awards (cont'd)



(L to R): Dr. Sultan Karim, Professor John Climax, and Dean of Medicine, Dermot Kelleher

Professor John Climax honoured **Sultan Karim** (Pharmacology) by founding the Sultan Karim Fellowship in Clinical Pharmacology at the UBC Faculty of Medicine. The fellowship is part of a new transatlantic partnership between UBC and Oxford University to create a global network for training in clinical pharmacology.

**Paul Wright** (Medicine) was named the 2019 British Columbia Photographer of the Year by the Professional Photographers of Canada. He also received this award in 2010.

# What Are They Up to Now?

On September 13, 2019, more than 300 of UBC's **School of Audiology and Speech Sciences** academic, clinical, and emeritus faculty, staff, students, and alumni gathered to celebrate its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a full day of events: an open house at the Friedman Building, discipline-related lectures by eminent scholars, a panel discussion and poster session, followed by a gala dinner with entertainment. Founding Director, Professor Emeritus **John Gilbert** spoke at the symposium and gala dinner. Emeritae **Barbara Bernhardt** and **Carolyn Gilbert** participated in planning the celebration. Starting with a cohort of seven students, the School now enrols 48 students each year in a 2-year M.Sc. program.



# What are They up to Now? (cont'd)

**Rick Pollay** from the Sauder School of Business leads a shanty crew, The Lazy Jacks, in this wintertime musical treat: Gwen Martin's "The Snowplow Buccaneer," which took the first prize in the *Geist* 2018 Work Shanty Writing Contest. Gwen Martin is from Yoho, NB.

Here's the chorus: With my coffee mug and my rum-filled jug,

It's a renegade career
I can travel afar
I can wreck your car

I'm a snowplow buccaneer.

Hear and see them singing (and waving their mugs) on <u>You Tube</u>: Read the complete lyrics here: https://www.geist.com/contests/shanty/snowplow\_buccaneer/

For more of the Lazy Jacks Shanty Crew: <a href="https://lazyjacksorg.wordpress.com/">https://lazyjacksorg.wordpress.com/</a>

**Ralph Matthews** has been re-elected as Treasurer of the Dunbar Lawn Bowling Club. The club offers a series of 4 weeks of Saturday morning instruction in May for those who wish to learn more and potentially join the Club. The cost of the lessons is deducted from first-year membership fees for those who join.

He has also joined the Board of Directors of **ASK Fellowship Society**. ASK has been operating for over 43 years providing adult day-care services 5 days a week in a supportive setting for living-at-home and often alone seniors. Emeriti who might wish to serve on the ASK Board or assist in other ways should contact Ralph.

**John Allan** (Counselling Psychology, Education), gave a presentation on "Use of Psychedelics in Psychotherapy " at the "Care of the Souls" Conference in Tacoma, Washington, 2019.

**Linda Siegel** (Education) has been appointed as a consultant to the Ontario Human Rights Commission Right to Read, a public inquiry into human rights issues that affect students with reading disabilities in Ontario's public education system. (photo credit Roger Brooks)



**W. Craig Riddell** (Economics) was Visiting Scholar, Center for Labor Economics, University of California, Berkeley, Fall 2019; a panel member, Expert Panel on Modern Federal Labour Standards, 2019; a member, Statistics Canada's Advisory Committee on Labour and Income Statistics and a member, Board of Directors, Centre for the Study of Living Standards, Ottawa, Ontario.

**Sneja Gunew** delivered the keynote address, "Recollections of the Future: The Uncomfortable Cosmopolitanism of Migrant Histories," to Migration Histories Now – A Workshop. Australian Migration History Network. Australian National University, 29 Nov. 2019. Listen at: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G5TaVZK99E4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G5TaVZK99E4</a>.

**William T. Ziemba** was keynote speaker at the Insurance Mathematics Conference in Munich, Germany, speaking on the stochastic programming approach to asset liability and wealth management. He also was visiting scholar at The Swiss Banking Institute, University of Zurich, and at The Systemic Risk Center, London School of Economics, in the summer of 2019

# Recent Publications by Emeriti

Brauer, Fred, Carlos Castillo-Chavez, and Zhilan Feng, *Mathematical Models in Epidemiology*. Springer Verlag, 2019.

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lan M. Franks, with M. Hughes and H. Dance, edited *The essentials of performance analysis*, (3<sup>rd</sup> ed. London: Routledge/Taylor and Francis, 2020) and wrote (with others) three chapters, "Video-Based Technologies," "The Importance of Feedback to Performance," and Notational Analysis of Coaching Behaviour," in the same volume.

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#### In Memoriam

Joanna Bates 1950 - 2020 Professor Emerita, Family and Community Medicine and Founding Director, Centre for Health Education Scholarship UBC Service 1997-2019

Joseph F. Belanger 1940 - 2019 Associate Professor Emeritus of Language and Literacy Education University Service 1979 - 2005

Diana Cawood 1943 - 2020 Elected Member of the Emeritus College (Sauder School of Business) University Service 1980 - 2019

William Robert Cullen 1933 - 2019 Professor Emeritus of Chemistry University Service 1958 - 1998

Gerald Albert Feltham 1938 - 2019 Professor Emeritus of Commerce and Business Administration University Service 1971 - 2004

Luis de Sobrino 1929 - 2019 Professor Emeritus of Physics University Service 1960 – 1995

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William Logan 1931 - 2019 Associate Professor Emeritus of Curriculum Studies University Service 1960 - 1996

Edward Joseph Matte 1933 - 2019 Associate Professor Emeritus of French University Service 1968 - 1993

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Jack Pomfret 1922 - 2019 Associate Professor Emeritus of Physical Education and Recreation University Service 1946 - 1988

Alan Richardson 1932 - 2019 Professor Emeritus of Clinical Dental Science University Service 1968 - 1994

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#### Around Campus and Off

The School of Kinesiology's assistant professor and Canada Research Chair in Physical Activity and Health Dr. Eli Puterman invites emeritus professors to participate as collaborators for his upcoming graduate course: *Killam Connection: Healthy Aging from Cells to Societies*. This course will tackle the complexities of healthy aging across the lifespan and support the training of future scientists in developing practical skills in translating scientific knowledge to successfully engage the public. In this graduate course and seminar series, healthy aging will be explored through these lenses – through an examination of the ground-breaking research on cellular, social, cultural, behavioural, structural, and environmental factors that intersect to predict how long and well we live, both physically and mentally. See below for the Speaker Series.

For more information check the Kinesiology website or contact eli.puterman@ubc.ca

Killam Connection presents
Healthy Aging from Cells to Societies
A Public Lecture Series

Vancouver General Hospital
For more information visit https://healthyaging.eventbritestudio.com/
5:30 sign-in; 6 pm start on all dates

**28 January 2020** 'Leaving No-one Behind?' Winners and Losers in Global Action on Aging. **Norah Keating**, PhD, FCAHS, FGSA, Director of Global Social Issues on Aging at International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics Vancouver General Hospital, Jim Pattison Pavilion, South Room, 1891

**11 February 2020** Self-Determination as We Age and Indigenous Ways of Knowing. **Evan Adams**, MD, Chief Medical Officer for the First Nations Health Authority Vancouver General Hospital, Gordon and Leslie Diamond Health Care Centre, Room 1020

**10 March 2020** The Environment and Our Health: Novel Approaches, New Discoveries. **David Rehkopf**, PhD Associate Professor of Medicine and Health, Research and Policy at Stanford University

Vancouver General Hospital, Jim Pattison Pavilion, South Room, 1891

**24 March 2020** Stepping into Later Adulthood: The Importance of Walking and Walking Well. **Catrine Tudor-Locke**, PhD, FACSM, FNAK, Professor and Dean of the College of Health and Human Services at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte Vancouver General Hospital, Jim Pattison Pavilion, South Room, 1891

The **UBC Faculty Women's Club** invites the UBC Emeritus College members and their spouses/partners to attend our next events. Come out to meet us and learn more about our club – we'd love to have you join us as a new member! See below and click <u>here</u> for more information.

#### Tuesday, February 4th 2020, 11:00am - 1:00pm

Cecil Green Park House, UBC

Speaker: Prof. H.K. Chang, Former President, City University of Hong Kong

Topic: Silk Road - Yesterday and Tomorrow



With expeditions of Alexander the Great and westward expansion of China's Han Dynasty, the trade routes between Europe and Asia, named the "Silk Road" by a 19<sup>th</sup> century German geographer, were formally opened. Subsequently, merchants, soldiers and monks of various ethnic and linguistic groups traveled on the Silk Road, exchanging not only merchandise, but also religious beliefs, art and writing systems. The most influential group was the Mongols, who in the 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> centuries, ruled over the largest empire the world has ever known. However, the Silk Road declined sharply in the 16<sup>th</sup> century, when naval forces from Western Europe arrived in the Indian Ocean. Today, with land, sea, air, space and internet connections, the ancient Silk Road is poised to enter a new era of Eurasian communication.

#### **UBC Opera Ensemble**

Symposium | 75th Anniversary of the Liberation of Auschwitz | Jan. 27–29, 2020 Pasażerka (The Passenger) | Jan. 30-31 & Feb. 1-2, 2020

The Singer Behind the Song | Jane Archibald | Mar. 11, 2020

### Tickets & subscriptions

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#### **Opera Box Office**

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Dr. **Jennifer Marshall Graves** will present a seminar for the Department of Medical Genetics, entitled *Sex Determination by Genes, Chromosomes, and the Environment*. A recipient of numerous international awards, Dr. Graves is Distinguished Professor and Vice Chancellor's Fellow at La Trobe University, a member of the Order of Australia, and the 2018 recipient of Australia's Prime Minister's Prize for Science.

Interested Emeritus College members are invited to attend the seminar.

Monday Feb. 10 4:00 pm Room 128, Life Sciences Centre 3



#### "Super Seniors" Healthy Aging Study

BC Cancer (Dr. Angela Brooks-Wilson, PI) is recruiting volunteers **85 years of age or older** for a study to identify metabolic and genetic factors associated with age-related diseases, including heart disease, cancer, diabetes, pulmonary disease and dementia. Volunteers will be asked to participate in an interview asking about their health, lifestyle and family history, have some physical measurements taken, and provide a blood sample (around 2 tbsp). **No travel involved.** 

If you meet or someone you know meets the above criteria and would like to learn more about the Healthy Aging Study, please contact the Research Coordinator, Amy Williams, at 604-675-8151 (toll free at 1-888-675-8001 ext. 8151) or at <a href="mailto:study.coordinator@bcgsc.ca">study.coordinator@bcgsc.ca</a>

## Save the Date: Celebrating Emeritus Research

Monday, March 2; Lunch: 11:45; Seminar begins 12:30. University Centre, Peter Wall Seminar Room (upstairs). Peter Suedfeld, with speakers George Bluman, Mathematics; Susan Barr, Food, Nutrition, and Health; Richard W. Unger, History. **More information on registration at:** https://emerituscollege.ubc.ca/research-day-2020

#### The Vancouver Institute https://globalreportingcentre.org/vancouver-institute/

All lectures on Saturdays at 8:15 pm in Woodward Instructional Resources Centre Lecture Hall 2, 2194 Health Sciences Mall

January 25 Dr. Daniel J. Levitin

James McGill Professor Emeritus of Psychology and Neuroscience McGill University

SUCCESSFUL AGING: THE NEUROSCIENCE OF THE NEW LONGEVITY

February 1 Ms. Catherine Porter Canada Bureau Chief The New York Times

BREAKING THE RULE OF OBJECTIVITY: A JOURNALIST IN HAITI

February 8 George W. Poling Lecture

Dr. Gary Hinshaw

Department of Physics and Astronomy University of British Columbia

WHAT IS THE UNIVERSE MADE OF? MAPPING THE COSMOS WITH CHIME

February 22 Dr. Daniel Kalla, MD.

Clinical Associate Professor Faculty of Medicine University of British Columbia

PLAGUES...THEN AND NOW

February 29 Mr. lan Weir

Award-winning screenwriter, playwright and author

ADVENTURES IN THE STORY-TELLING TRADE: TRUTHINESS IN AN AGE OF MYTH

March 7 Mr. Grant Hayter-Menzies, Biographer

IN SEARCH OF EMILY CARR'S WOO: MONKEY, MUSE, MYSTERY

