

UBC Emeritus College Newsletter

GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 17 February at 1:30 pm

1:30 pm Business Meeting
1:45 pm Panel: Prospects for International Politics after Trump: Richard Price & Alan Sens
2:30–3:00 pm Q&A

You will receive a Zoom invitation with a link and instructions for joining the meeting.

PROSPECTS FOR INTERNATIONAL POLITICS AFTER TRUMP

The last four years have seen many of the norms of international politics disrupted by the outgoing American administration. What are the prospects for the future: a return to the status quo ante, more of the same, or the emergence of a new set of dynamics governing world politics?And how do Canada and Canada-US relations fit into this changing world?

In a discussion moderated by Professor Emeritus Ken Carty (Political Science), Professors Richard Price and Allen Sens (Political Science) will address these questions, considering the shape of international relations in the next decade and questions of security, conflict, and the future of NATO.



Allen Sens (PhD, Queen's) specializes in international relations, with a research and teaching focus on international security. He has a particular interest in armed conflict and conflict management, especially peace operations, nuclear weapons and arms control, European security, and Canadian foreign and defence policy.



Richard Price (PhD, Cornell) specializes in international relations. His research interests focus on the role of norms in world politics, particularly norms limiting warfare; constructivist international relations theory; normative international relations theory; the politics of international law; and ethics in world politics.





Contributions to the Newsletter

Please send the editor information about your recent activities and community engagements. Suggestions for stories are welcome. Space permitting, we will list publications in the newsletter in the citation format of your choice. For awards, a description of the award, award citation, or link to the announcement is helpful. We may edit submissions for brevity or clarity. Photographs suitable for publication are always welcome.

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.

The Emeritus College (formerly UBCAPE) could not function without the contribution of many past Presidents/Principals and Members-at-Large who continue to provide their services.

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Principal's Report

Writing this report as the long tunnel of the 2020 pandemic fades into the rearview mirror and the new year brings prospects of......several more months of COVID-induced restrictions and anxieties, I am brought to ask where the UBC Emeritus College stands in January 2021, and to contemplate the roles that it might play going forward.



These are troubling times. The coronavirus dominates many news channels. There is a morbid fascination with numbers: of cases, hospitalizations, deaths, vaccines "in arms." Understandably. The danger of COVID-19 is real and present, even if the data logging its presence are foggy, and both they and details about vaccination programmes are veiled by political considerations. Still, outstanding scientific work, coupled with a widespread sense of impending doom in this (pandemicinduced) time of gloom and Zoom -- that has driven governments and large numbers of citizens to decisive actions -- promises some relief from the pandemic scourge (at a date yet to be determined).

On other fronts, from climate change to the future of democracy, paths to resolution are less clear. As the January 12 Emeritus College Conversation on Climate Change revealed, outstanding science and high public anxiety do not always or easily come together to produce solutions. We know

the nature of the climate problem, and the risks it entails, but neither behavioural change nor scientific intervention can hope to "vaccinate" the world against its consequences for decades to come. The best we can mount is a holding action—and one that will demand far greater sacrifices than wearing masks, washing hands, and staying apart. Death and (carbon) taxes may be unavoidable, but prospects of the former concentrate minds and produce interventions far more decisively than the latter.

Meanwhile the assault on the US Capitol on January 6th has roiled our neighbours to the south and stirred concern worldwide. Whether the events of that day are properly termed an insurrection, a race riot, or a sorry manifestation of crumbling democratic institutions remains to be seen, but placed on a world stage they serve as a troubling reminder of the state democracy is in. Millions of South Africans have soured on the promise of their 1994 constitution and consider their democracy compromised or "empty." Populist, autocratic, nationalist politicians elsewhere have subverted democratic ideals, placed burrs under ideological and group saddles and nurtured anger and division. The growing contempt for civil society, civic unity, and the ties that bind people together is troubling.

Unfortunately, the UBC Emeritus College cannot alone arrest the pandemic, address the climate crisis, or solve the world's political problems. But we can remember our roots deep in communities committed to the pursuit of knowledge and recognize that by coming together to work for the larger good of our membership and our community, we can foster the sharing of ideas and friendships that is so integral to developing effective colleges **and** societies. Please read deeper in this newsletter to discover how you can help the cause.

Graeme Wynn, Professor Emeritus, Geography

From the College

NEW STRUCTURE — NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Graeme Wynn

It is important to the long-term vitality of the Emeritus College that we continue to offer our diverse membership a range of interesting programs and activities and that we encourage as many people as possible to benefit from what the College offers.

As a first step in this direction the College Executive and Council spent the fall designing, discussing, and approving a new operational, or governance structure for the Emeritus College, discussed in the previous newsletter and now depicted schematically below. In sum, this new model (approved by the College Council in December) retains the Executive and Council (assisted by the office staff) at the administrative core of College operations, even as it seeks to cluster and establish higher levels of autonomy and participation / engagement in the important range of activities and services the College provides for its members.

All co-ordinator, convener and committee chair appointments will run on an annual basis, with initial appointments for one or two years, generally renewable. This means that new program conveners will be appointed as soon as possible, with responsibility for scheduling activities beginning in September (2021) and running through April (2022).

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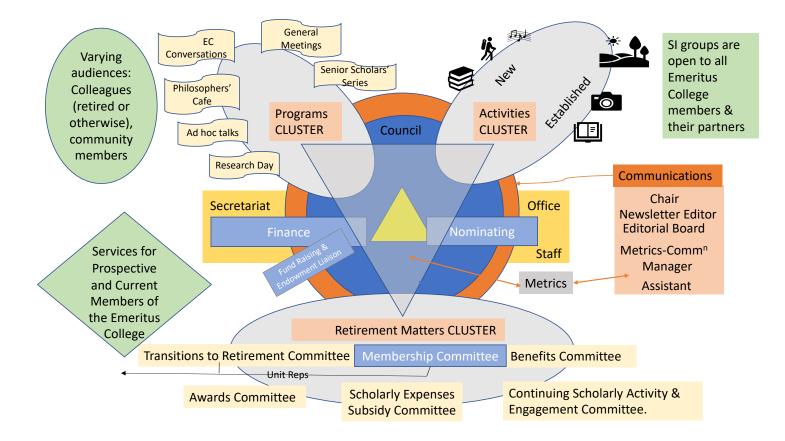
Expression of interest, and queries regarding further information can be directed to me, (wynn@geog.ubc.ca).

The UBC Emeritus College: Structure and Governance Model

We look to our membership – emeritus colleagues – to introduce new ideas, new energy, and new enthusiasm into the activities of the College.

Please be encouraged to step forward, in whatever capacity you feel you would like to contribute. Further, should you know of other Emeritus colleagues who might serve effectively in a particular way, please don't hesitate to suggest their names, and a word about what they might contribute, to me or the office staff.

Here, as we enter 2021, is an outline of the new opportunities associated with the new structure of the Emeritus College diagrammed below.



The UBC Emeritus College: Structure and Governance Model, cont'd

Three **CLUSTERS** - one co-ordinator or two co-ordinators for each

RETIREMENT MATTERS: This cluster deals with fundamental services provided by the College, from Transitions to Retirement Programs, to monitoring and improving benefits programs, and a range of other important matters, from the adjudication of College awards, the disbursement of financial subsidies for scholarly activity, and the identification and initial development of initiatives (in the manner of a "think-tank") to enhance the value of the College to its members, the university, and society. Each of these services is overseen by a committee comprised of members of the College and there is scope for several appointments as a committee member or committee chair. Important work is done by these committees — in a supportive and enjoyable environment — for the benefit of all Emeriti.

PROGRAMS: The College offers a variety of programs for varied audiences (colleagues, retired or otherwise, and the public at large). Most of these are well established, though there is room for innovation and there will be some evolution as we transition from COVID to post-COVID operating protocols. *We need convenors (who will serve initially for one or two years – and who may invite colleagues to assist them)* for each of the following programs:

Senior Scholars' Series — talks in current interview format, as in-person lectures at Green College, or as hybrid events. Three per term; total six. Convener identifies and schedules speakers in conjunction with <u>Green College</u>.

Emeritus College Conversations — developed for the Zoom-world of COVID. Three emeritus speakers and a moderator. Convener identifies topics, recruits speakers and schedules conversations in conjunction with College Office. Number per annum is flexible.

General Meetings — Four or five per year. Programming can vary, from single speaker to group performances. To be decided by convener in conjunction with Cluster co-ordinator and Emeritus College Office.

Philosophers' Cafe — held at Tapestry in pre-Covid times; open forum for discussion of a specified topic. Could be transitioned to Zoom or similar platform. Convener identifies topic and scheduling.

Emeritus Research Day — in abeyance during COVID-19. Previously held as a (half-) day event at PWIAS, with 3 to 5 emeriti presenting their ongoing research. Format open to adjustment. Convener identifies speakers, schedules with help of the College Office staff, and chairs the event.

Ad hoc Lectures — scope for innovation or collaboration with Retirement Matters Cluster Committees or others to mount one or two, or a short series, of talks. Convenor has considerable flexibility. To date these have included lectures under the rubrics "My Health, My Responsibility," "Occasional Lectures by Emeriti," and "Emeritus Philanthropic Work."

Each of these programs offers a fine and satisfying prospect to put a significant stamp on the College's offerings. The rewards far exceed the work involved.

The UBC Emeritus College: Structure and Governance Model, cont'd

ACTIVITIES: This is a loose cluster of Special Interest Groups. Groups and conveners are largely self-identifying and substantially autonomous. They meet on their own schedule and on topics they decide. We currently have a handful of SIGs. Current leaders: Photography (Derek Applegarth, with Richard Spencer providing technical help); Travel (Paul Steinbok); Film (John LeBlanc); Poetic Odysseys (Philip Resnick and George McWhirter). Two more groups are primed to begin in 2021: Volunteerism (Nancy Gallini); Easy Riders— bicycling (Kay Teschke & Graeme Wynn).

We are keen to establish additional groups. Possibilities are almost endless: Urban exploration (walking); Hiking; Book club(s); Wine-tasting; Grand-parenting; Dining; Music Appreciation. If you have an interest or a passion that you would like to get together with others to share, please be in touch. We will do what we can to make setup straightforward and also assist in announcing meetings.

We have also established a **COMMUNICATIONS** node to complement the *Newsletter* in improving internal and external communication. Please *come forward if you have inclinations to assist with publicity, social media, etc.*

Finally we have established a small Committee for **Fund-Raising and Endowment Liaison**, that will link the College with the UBC Development Office in a spirit of mutual collaboration. The chair of this committee will also sit on the College Finance Committee – if you have an interest in philanthropy, "Advancement" and financial affairs please consider joining this new endeavour. Its work is important but not onerous.

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Nominations for Emeritus College Council

The Nominations Committee is working to draft a slate of nominees for the position of Vice-Principal 2021-22, and three 3-year term Members-at-Large for College Council. Terms begin 1 July 2021. 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. Please reply to Sandra van Ark, Office Administrator (manager@emerituscollege.ubc.ca)

Donald Fisher, Committee Chair.



Welcome Figure Credit: Paul Steinbok

Current Johnson Policy on Cancellation of MEDOC Insurance

Recently, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Johnson has modified its policy in regard to cancellation and subsequent re-application for MEDOC insurance. The previous policy wording, which required back premiums if rejoining MEDOC within a year of cancelling, has been removed for the policy year starting January 1, 2021.

If you have not yet renewed for 2021, or you cancel 2021 coverage before the **March 5 deadline** for doing so, and you subsequently decide to rejoin later this year, when your travel plans are clearer, you will only have to pay premiums for the remaining months until the start of the new policy year on September 1, 2021.

Benefits Committee



Special Interest Groups

Times and dates for upcoming meetings will be listed on the Emeritus College website.

POETIC ODYSSEYS

All who are interested in writing, reading or listening to poetry are welcome. Zoom link by request. Contacts: Philip Resnick (Professor Emeritus, Political Science – <u>philip.resnick@ubc.ca</u>) and George McWhirter (Professor Emeritus, Creative Writing). Contact meeting organizer for Zoom link.

TRAVEL GROUP Thursday 18 February - 4pm

We will continue with the cruising theme. Beverley Green and Paul Steinbok will talk about their individual experiences with cruising in the Galapagos. Beverley was on the National Geographic "Endeavor II," a luxury expedition ship with a maximum of 95 guests. She did the Eastern Galapagos circuit, while Paul was on the Coral 2, a luxury yacht with 12 passengers, which did the Western Galapagos circuit.

If you are currently not on the email list of the EC travel interest group and wish to receive our mailings, please contact Paul Steinbok at <u>psteinbok@cw.bc.ca</u>.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, 11 March at 4pm. Peter Wing and Claire Weeks will talk about a bike trip in Vietnam and Cambodia. A Zoom link will be sent out 2 days before each meeting.



PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP Friday 26 February 2021 - 4pm

The theme will be "Shape and Colour". Please submit three photos, plus (if you wish) "before and after" versions of one or two of them, to show how you changed the original to get the result you were looking for.

Send the photos to Richard Spencer at <u>richard@rhspencer.ca</u>. You can send them as email attachments, zip files, or downloads from an online site. If you include them in the body of an email, you should avoid letting your software reduce the size of the photos to any resolution less than about 1000 x 800 pixels (within reason, bigger is generally better!). You will receive a Zoom link a day or two before the meeting.



FILM GROUP

Series Eleven – Filmed Intellectuals

Hosted by John LeBlanc

The films can be screened <u>via the Kanopy streaming site</u> of the Vancouver Public Library; Zoom discussions of each film: Jan. 27, Feb. 24 and Mar. 31 at 4pm

Series Eleven: Films featuring intellectuals face serious difficulties in presenting such complex and unique individuals in a medium that often relies on formulaic structures within its standard two hour limit. Film director Margarethe von Trotta has addressed this problem by attempting to engage intimately with her subjects, requiring that she identify to some degree with them (for example, as a woman railing against male oppression) as well as trying to discover the real person through their letters, close associates and places they inhabited. The two hour time limit also requires identifying a representative moment in the individual's life. These three films, all by women directors, feature, in the first two films, internationally known intellectuals and, in the third film, a fictional thinker, offering an additional difficulty of creating what a contemporary intellectual might look like. All three films share a focus on intellectuals as figures of exile, not only mental because of their advanced ideas but also physical, suffering displacement that shows they are not merely mind but also flesh and blood. Jan. 27 - Hannah Arendt (2012) - directed by Margarethe von Trotta - is part of a trilogy of films by her on prominent women intellectuals, also including films about Rosa Luxembourg and Hildegard von Bingen. Von Trotta presents the life of this key 20th century intellectual (played, as in the other films of the trilogy, by German actor Barbara Sukowa) by focusing on her contentious response to the Adolph Eichmann trial in Jerusalem. A Reform German Jew, Arendt was forced into exile to France then the US by the rise of Nazism. Her attack on Zionism, crystallized in her Eichmann trial reports and book, made her a pariah of her own Jewish people and her conservative personal life has placed her outside of feminism.

Feb. 24 - Stefan Zweig: Farewell to Europe (2016) - directed by Maria Schrader focuses on this Austrian Jewish writer (very popular in the 1920s and 30s Europe), featuring his journey of exile from the Nazis that ends up in Brazil. For Zweig (played by German actor Joseph Hader), a cosmopolitan multi-lingual who did not identify with Zionism or even with Jewish heritage, Brazil, with its relaxed mixing of races, represented the possibility of and a model for a race-free transnational future. However, unlike Hannah Arendt, Zweig had difficulty engaging with the lived Brazilian culture of his exile there and it is speculated that he may have moved on to other harbours. Mar. 31 - Things to Come (L'avenir) (2016) - directed by Mia Hansen-Love - features a fictional philosopher, Nathalie (played by French actor Isabelle Huppert), teaching at a Paris high school, who finds herself in a life-altering moment as her publishing career declines and her family life falls apart. While her exile is not the result of sweeping historical developments that befell Arendt and Zweig, it nonetheless throws her into a space of profound doubt, best described by Pascal, one of her favourite philosophers. A re-connection with a former student has potential but exile seems permanent, perhaps even desirable.

Senior Scholars' Series: The Passions that Drive Academic Life

The next Senior Scholar's Series talk, with moderator **Jerry Wasserman**, will feature **Michael Klein**, Professor Emeritus of Family Practice Medicine and Pediatrics.

"Childbirth for Grandparents: Childbirth as a Metaphor"

Thursday, 11 February 2021 - 5:00pm to 6:15pm



Tree Ablaze–Japanese Maple, Vancouver, November Credit: Paul Steinbok

EMERITUS COLLEGE MEETINGS

All our meetings are held online on Zoom. You can find instructions on how to zoom at <u>https://emerituscollege.ubc.ca/events/how-to-zoom</u>. Contact the office if you need help to set up Zoom before a meeting. Some meetings are recorded and can be found online: <u>Videos of talks and events</u>

New Emeritus College Members 2021

Richard Beauchamp Clinical Professor Emeritus of Orthopaedics

Kenneth Brown Clinical Professor Emeritus of Orthopaedics

Hervé Curat Professor Emeritus of French, Hispanic & Italian Studies

Clive P. Duncan Professor Emeritus of Orthopaedics

Guy Fradet Associate Professor Emeritus of Surgery

Neil L. Guppy Professor Emeritus of Sociology

Peter D. James Administrative Librarian Emeritus

Philippe Kruchten Professor Emeritus of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Edwin Levy elected* Associate Professor Emeritus (Philosophy)

Dixie Mager Professor Emeritus of Medical Genetics **Cynthia Mathieson** Professor Emeritus of Psychology UBCO

Robert McCormack Professor Emeritus of Orthopaedics

William McKellin Assistant Professor Emeritus of Anthropology

Karen Meyer Associate Professor Emeritus of Curriculum & Pedagogy

Diane Miller Associate Professor Emeritus of Obstetrics & Gynaecology

Pat Mirenda Professor Emeritus of Education and Counselling Psychology, and Special Education

Jetha Nasir Clinical Professor Emeritus of Pediatrics

John R. O'Kusky Associate Professor Emeritus of Pathology

Brian Rasmussen Associate Professor Emeritus of Social Work UBCO

Michel Roberge Professor Emeritus of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology New Emeritus College Members 2021, cont'd

Leslie Sadownick Associate Professor Emeritus of Obstetrics & Gynaecology

Charles Sammis elected* University of Southern California (Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences)

R. Robert Schellenberg Professor Emeritus of Allergy and Immunology

Harold Schubert Clinical Associate Professor Emeritus of Emergency Medicine

Malcolm Scoble Professor Emeritus of Mining & Engineering

Lynn Smith elected* BC Supreme Court; (Law)

Robert Smith elected* Emeritus Chancellor, University of Ballarat (Geography)

David Sweet Professor Emeritus of Oral Biological & Medical Sciences Laurence Turner Clinical Professor Emeritus of Surgery

Dirk Jacobus A. Van Zyl Professor Emeritus of Mining & Engineering

Marcello Veiga Professor Emeritus of Mining & Engineering

Gregory Wetterstrand Associate Professor Emeritus of Education UBCO

Sandra Lee Wilkins Administrative Librarian Emeritus

John Wu Clinical Professor Emeritus of Pediatrics

Barbara Zeigler Professor Emeritus of Art History, Visual Art & Theory

*For more on election to the College, see the Membership section of the College website.



Honours and Achievements

Recent Inductees of the Order of Canada

Created in 1967, the Order of Canada is one of our country's highest honours. Presented by the Governor General, the Order honours people whose service shapes our society; whose innovations ignite our imaginations; and whose compassion unites our communities.

The Order's motto is Desiderantes melioarem patriam, "They desire a better country."

B. Lynn Beattie, C.M.

For her pioneering contributions to the field of geriatric medicine in Canada and abroad.

B. Lynn Beattie is Professor Emerita, Division of Geriatric Medicine, Department of Medicine. In the past she started and was the first Head of the Division of Geriatric Medicine at UBC. She was Director of the Clinic for Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders from its inception until 2005, and again from 2009 to 2013. She is Past President of the American Geriatrics Society and the Canadian Geriatrics Society.

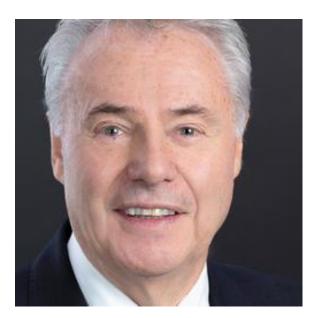




Izak Benbasat, C.M.

For his role in the development of the field of management information systems (MIS) and for his mentorship of generations of MIS scholars.

Isak Benbasat is Professor Emeritus, Accounting and Information Systems Division, Sauder School of Business. He was granted Doctorat Honoris Causa, Université de Montréal, in 2009, received the LEO Award for Lifetime Exceptional Achievements in Information Systems from the Association for Information Systems, and is a Distinguished Fellow of the INFORMS Information Systems Society. He was awarded the Killam Research Prize in 1998 and the Killam Teaching Prize in 1996. He received the Senior Research Prize of the Sauder School of Business in 2003 and 2015.



John Challis, C.M.

For his seminal contributions to the field of obstetrics and gynaecology, and to health research and innovation in Canada and abroad.

Dr. John Challis is an elected member of the UBC Emeritus College. At the University of Toronto, he is University Professor Emeritus in the Departments of Physiology and Obstetrics and Gynaecology in the Temerty Faculty of Medicine. Challis previously served as Chair of the Department of Physiology and as the University of Toronto's Vice-President, Research and Associate Provost.

Priscilla Edson (Cindy) Greenwood, C.M.

For her contributions to the fields of statistics and mathematics, and for her pioneering work in probability theory.

Professor Greenwood (Professor Emerita, Department of Mathematics) is conducting research into neural dynamics to advance the understanding of the nervous system through modelling of interactions of populations of neurons using ideas from stochastic dynamics. She has also studied phenomena wherein the character of a process changes abruptly and reaches a critical point, such as in the recurrence of a disease posing a major new threat, groundwater pollution reaching a level where it threatens our water supply, or the collapse of a currency or market.



Stanley Hamilton, C.M., O.B.C.

For his contributions to business education in Canada and abroad, and for generously supporting Vancouver's arts scene.

Stanley Hamilton (Professor Emeritus, Sauder School of Business), has conducted research and influenced policy on property tax reform. He has contributed to planning development commissions and to industry governance and regulation. After retirement, he volunteered his business and project management acumen to help transform the arts landscape. spearheading such projects as, for example, securing Vancouver's Stanley Theatre and the BMO Theatre Centre, home of Bard on the Beach and Arts Club Theatre Company. As a board member and chair of the BC Arts Council, he ensured its stabilization and the commitment of unprecedented funding for artists.





Carol Pearl Herbert, C.M.

For her contributions to the fields of clinical and academic medicine, as a family physician, medical educator, researcher and administrator.

Dr. Carol Herbert is internationally known for her leadership in primary care research, and for her work in clinical health promotion, patientphysician decision-making, and participatory action research with Indigenous communities, focused on diabetes and on environmental effects on human health. She was formerly Head of the Department of Family Practice, founding Head of the Division of Behavioural Medicine, and a founder of the UBC Institute of Health Promotion Research.

Robert Krell, C.M.

For his contributions to our understanding of mass ethnopolitical violence, and for his advocacy on behalf of Holocaust survivors.

Dr. Krell treated Holocaust survivors and their families as well as Dutch survivors of Japanese concentration camps. He established a Holocaust education program for high school students in 1976, an audio-visual documentation program recording survivor testimony in 1978, and he assisted with the formation of child survivor groups starting in 1982. Dr. Krell also founded the Vancouver Holocaust Education Center, which opened in 1994 and which teaches 25,000 students and teachers annually.





John H. McNeill, C.M.

For his contributions to cardiovascular pharmacology and for his pioneering research that linked cardiac disease and diabetes.

Professor McNeill worked as Associate Professor and Chairman in the Division of Pharmacology & Toxicology (1972–1975). Dr. McNeill became a professor in the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences at UBC in 1975, and served as the Faculty's Dean for 11 years (1985–1996).

The Honourable Lynn **Smith**, C.M., Q.C.

For her extensive and pioneering contributions to the Canadian legal system as a lawyer, academic and judge.

Lynn Smith was appointed to the Supreme Court of British Columbia in 1998. She served as a Justice of that Court until her retirement in September 2012. She taught law at the University of British Columbia from 1981 to 1997 in areas including Constitutional Law, Evidence, Civil Litigation, and Real Property. She has published books and articles in the fields of Charter equality rights, civil litigation and evidence, human rights, administrative law, and women's equality. She was Dean of the U.B.C. Law Faculty from 1991 to 1997.





Reflections of the Cosmos Credit: Paul Steinbok

Honours and Achievements, cont'd

Jess H. Brewer was recently declared a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) for "*his pioneering work developing muSR, in which muons are used to probe quantum materials, with critical applications ranging from high-temperature superconductivity to solid-state chemistry.*" Brewer is a TRIUMF affiliate researcher, a UBC professor emeritus, and a member of the team that developed the laboratory's <u>Centre for Molecular and Material Sciences</u> (CMMS),



Joanne Weinberg (Professor Emeritus, Cellular and Physiological Sciences) and fellow PIs Tamara Bodnar and Charlis Raineki have had their grant from NIH / National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism renewed for five years. The grant title is Prenatal Alcohol and Neuroimmunity.

Philip Resnick (Professor Emeritus, Political Science). The latest issue (#48) of the journal *Inroads* contains a dozen of his recent pandemic-related poems, as well as a review of his memoir, *Itineraries*.

In December 2020, the <u>Jewish Book Festival</u> awards were announced. **Rhea Tregebov** (Associate Professor Emerita, Creative Writing) won the Nancy Richler Memorial Prize for Fiction for her novel *Rue des Rosiers*.

Donald Maxwell Brunette (Professor Emeritus, Dentistry) received the 2018 International Association of Dental Research (IADR) Distinguished Scientist Award in Research in Prosthodontics and Implants.

Bernie Shizgal (Professor Emeritus, Chemistry) was selected for a **UBC Science Co-op Supervisor Recognition Award** for the mentorship of an undergraduate student with whom he co-published a paper.



Emeritus News

"Avoiding Egregious Bean-Counting": List of Top 2% of the World's Most Highly Cited Scientists

Stanford University has created a ranking of 2% of the most highly cited scholars in the world (the list includes some now-deceased scholars). The database of over 100,000 names uses a composite indicator based on standardized citation metrics, including the number of citations, h-index and co-authorship. The study covered approximately 7 million scientists in 22 major fields and 176 subfields.

Although literary scholars do not think of themselves as scientists, they too are included: Judith Butler is listed as the top-cited literary theorist for 2020.

This list includes over 600 researchers from UBC, including quite a few emeriti (actually, a few too many to count!)

John P.A. loannidis and his co-authors explain how and why they constructed the list:

We hope that the availability of standardized, field-annotated data will help achieve a more nuanced use of metrics, avoiding some of the egregious errors of raw bean-counting that are prevalent in misuse of citation metrics. Citation metrics should be used in a more systematic, less error-prone and more relevant, context-specific, and field-adjusted way and also allowing for removal of selfcitations and detection of citation farms.

If you don't know what a citation farm is, read more here from Nature.

For the list, click here.

Judy Hall (Professor Emerita, Pediatrics) is claiming a larger readership than usual with her article, "Continuing Contributions of Older Academics," October 2020 American Journal of Medical Genetics

DOI: 10.1002/ajmg.a.61946 (for access, go to UBC Library site).

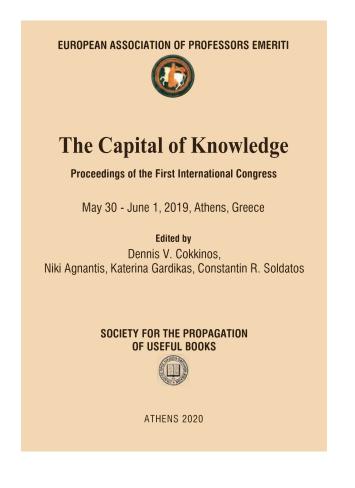
ABST: Academics go through many stages. Perhaps the most challenging is retirement. This article summarizes some of the challenges and opportunities that await. Now that we are all living longer and healthier, it seems a waste of human capital not to utilize the hard-won skills of academia during our later years in new and creative ways. Although health and memory cannot be taken for granted, most older academics continue to evolve, gain wisdom, and make new types of contributions to society.

Emeritus News, cont'd

William T. Ziemba (Professor Emeritus, Sauder School of Business), has been a columnist for <u>Wilmott Magazine</u> for many years, most recently writing on topics such as Lotto 6/49, NFL playoffs, horse-racing and financial portfolios.

Jesse Read (Professor Emeritus, School of Music) gave a talk to the Vancouver branch of the Jane Austen Society of North America, "Harmony and Melody in Jane Austen's World," on the occasion of the 245th anniversary of Austen's birth, which also happens to be the 250th anniversary of Beethoven's birth (December 12th). Fittingly, he had just finished his 6-lecture series on Beethoven for the SFU 50+ Program,

The European Association of Professors Emeriti has published the *Proceedings* of its first meeting. **Don Fisher** (Past Principal of the Emeritus College) and **Dianne Newell** (Past President of UBC APE) attended on behalf of UBC Emeritus College. It includes short papers on our Emeritus College by each of them. The collection can be found on the <u>EAPE website</u> under Publications.



Emeritus News, cont'd

Trevor D. Heaver and Christoph Rohner, "Is Bill C-250 the solution for tackling too many ships at anchor?" <u>Vancouver Sun.</u> The number of ships at anchor waiting to berth at terminals in Vancouver has risen dramatically in the past decade, resulting in a spillover of anchorage to the Southern Gulf Islands and along the east coast of Vancouver Island.

Trevor D. Heaver is Professor Emeritus, Centre for Transportation Studies, Sauder School of Business. Christoph Rohner, PhD, is on the board of directors of the Centre for Marine Affairs, Southern Gulf Islands.



Freighter in English Bay in fog. Credit "RoamingthePlanet" Flickr, cc-by-nc-nd-2.0

Another reason not to fly in an airplane?

"We are slowly being poisoned: How Toxic Fumes Seep into the Air You Breathe on Planes." Los Angeles Times. Christiaan van Netten, a toxicologist and Professor Emeritus (School of Population and Public Health) designed the samplers for the tests.

In Memoriam

Dominique Baudouin

Professor Emeritus of French 1927 - 2020 University Service 1962 - 1991

Laurence Louis (Larry) Bongie Professor Emeritus of French 1929 - 2020 University Service 1953 - 1992

Anna Celler Professor Emeritus of Radiology 1951 - 2020 University Service 1993 - 2017

Donald John Egleston Senior Instructor Emeritus of Law 1943 - 2020 University Service 1975 - 2003

Rob Hill

Professor Emeritus of Pediatrics 1926 - 2021 University Service 1971 - 1992

Helen Shore Associate Professor Emerita of Nursing 1925 - 2020 University Service 1965 - 1990

Richard Earl Pincock Professor Emeritus of Chemistry 1935 - 2020 University Service 1960 - 1999

Gary Wedeking Assistant Professor Emeritus of Philosophy 1941 - 2020 University Service 1990 - 2003



Colours of Spring–Magnolia Bloom. Credit: Paul Steinbok

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Emeritus News, cont'd

RESEARCH STUDY OPPORTUNITY

Surveillance of Adverse Events Following Immunization among Individuals Immunized with the COVID19 Vaccine By Dr. Julie Bettinger, Principal Investigator



We need your help! This is an advance notice that we are going to be monitoring the safety of COVID-19 Vaccines in Canada. To do this, we need to monitor health events in people who have not (yet) had a dose of COVID-19 vaccine (controls). You can participate as a control if you **HAVE NOT** been given a COVID19 vaccine. Even if you are planning to get the COVID-19 vaccine you can participate as a control until you are vaccinated.

In February we will have the Emeritus College administration send out an email with a link to the research study site. To take part we need you to complete an online survey. The survey will measure the amount of illness in your community (background illness) when COVID-19 vaccines are being used. We need to measure the background illness because it helps us better measure any increase in illness that may happen after getting a COVID-19 vaccine.

This study has UBC Research Ethics Board approval. It is funded by the Canadian Institute of Health Research *Canadian Immunization Research Network*. The purpose of the study is to monitor the safety of COVID-19 vaccines as they are administered to the public. This will be done by comparing health effects of those who have received a COVID-19 vaccine and those who have not. The principal investigator, Dr. Julie Bettinger, PhD, MPH, is based in the Vaccine Evaluation Center at the BC Children's Hospital Research Institute. The investigation team welcomes the support of UBC Emeritus College members to contribute to better information about COVID-19 vaccines in older people.

Around Campus

UBC Faculty Women's Club

The **UBC Faculty Women's Club** invites members of the UBC Emeritus College and their spouses/partners to attend our next Zoom speaker event.

Date: Tuesday, February 2nd 2021, 11:00am – 12:00pm Speaker: Professor Bonny Norton Topic: Global Storybooks: From Arabic to Zulu - free digital tales in 50+ languages

Zoom meeting: request access link from ubcfwcpresident@gmail.com

Professor Bonny Norton is a member of the Faculty of Education. She was recently awarded the Ehor Boyanowsky Academic of the Year Award for the Global Storybook initiative.



For more information on Professor Norton, please visit https://lled.educ.ubc.ca/profiles/ bonny-norton/

Vancouver Institute

Check for upcoming lectures on Saturday evenings at 8:15—no membership fee required — (although always appreciated).

View their page on <u>Facebook</u> and their website at <u>https://globalreportingcentre.org/</u> vancouver-institute/



Hosted for Green College by **Michelle Good**, author of *Five Little Indians* (Harper Perennial, 2020), this series brings into sharp focus the structural and systemic colonialism that is slowing but cannot stop the wave of Indigenous resurgence now transforming the Canadian cultural and political landscape. The presenters offer critical perspectives on the challenge of reconciliation and the factors standing in its way. With **Kateri Akiwenzie-Damm**, writer; **John Borrows**, legal scholar and author; **Waubgeshig Rice**, journalist and author; and **Jessica McDiarmid**, journalist and author.

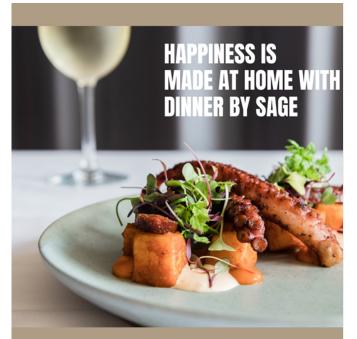


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