

BY-ELECTIONS APPROACH



Front Signage for the IPC and BUSU. Photo credit Ashlyn Pearce

Both BUSU and BUASC Look to Fill Spots on Councils

Logan Praznik and Ashlyn Pearce

After the general elections last academic year, the Brandon University Students Union (BUSU) council was still left quite bare. Over the summer months many new directors have been voted in by council, however they still need to have student approval to serve officially on council until the next set of general elections. Therein lies the purpose of the by-elections, to fill any gaps left in the council for the following academic year.

Krystal Kayne, who served as Returning Officer for BUSU's general election last spring, will return to the role once again

for the by-election. She also has experience as the president of the Brandon University Anti-Bullying Society, and served for several years prior with BUSU as a director.

The initial nomination period for the by-election will take place over the week of October 3rd to 7th, and a second nomination period will follow for any other potential candidates who missed the first period. This second period will take place October 11th to 14th, and will be the last chance for students to be nominated to run for council. After a week of campaigning by the various nominees,

students will go to the polls on October 20th and 21st to make their final selections for the 2016-2017 BUSU Council.

A number of positions are open for the by-election, including the Health Studies, Music, Womens', Indigenous Peoples', Sexuality and Gender-Based, and Racialized Directors, as well as two Students-at-Large each for the Knowles-Douglas Centre and SUDS, Directors for The Quill, and a Health Studies Student Senator.

BUSU president Nick Brown claimed there was "significant interest" in the vacant positions available, noting, "I've

heard from multiple students that they plan to run in the by-election."

Those interested in nominating themselves or someone else to run for a position on the council, or have any other questions, can contact Kayne at ro@busu.ca.

Along with the impending BUSU by-elections, the Brandon University Aboriginal Student Council (BUASC) is also in the process of conducting their annual by-elections. The initial nomination period for the BUASC by-elections took place from September 26th to September 30th. For more infor-

mation on how to get involved in BUASC's by-elections you can see Chris in the IPC, or go to their Facebook page "Brandon University Aboriginal Student Council (BUASC) News & Events".

BUASC is one of the collectives supported by BUSU, and aims to advocate on behalf of any and all Aboriginal students at BU. They provide services to students such as an Elders' Program, a Mentor Program, and social and cultural events.



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HAWKWEED LITERARY FORUM: PAUL DUTTON

Nathan MacKrieth, Reporter

Last Tuesday, September 27th, Toronto-born sound poet, writer and musician Paul Dutton was at Brandon University. He had a 1:40pm reading in the BU Library's Gathering Space, followed by a 3:00pm Sound Art Master Class in the Elephant Room of the Knowles-Douglas Center. Dutton was brought to Brandon University by the Hawkweed Literary Forum.

BAND 101

Ashlyn Pearce, Editor-in-Chief

This past Saturday, October 1st, saw a new event take place on campus, what has been dubbed Band 101. To quote from the press release sent out September 29th there were "47 flutes, 3 oboes, 3 bassoons, 39 clarinet, 42 saxophones, 39 trumpets, 12 horn, 33 trom-

bone, 12 euphonium, 9 tuba, 2 string bass, and 27 percussion" in attendance for a total of 268 participants. The event saw the Brandon University Symphonic Band join with all of the Brandon School Division band students in grades 9 through 12. The

day was designed to promote independence, leadership, and wellness in all participants. Starting at 8:30am the day was packed with events including full ensemble rehearsals, instrument specific sectional rehearsals, health and wellness presentations, sight-read-

ing activities, and concluding with performances for family, friends, and the public to showcase the work accomplished throughout the day. The Quill congratulates all participants of this great event.

WHAT'S GOING ON AT SUDS

Michael Henry, Reporter

With SUDS under the Interim management of Trevor Venn, The Quill wanted to look into what things have changed and what features will, or will not, be returning to our campus pub in the near future. **The Quill:** What is the menu like, will it be expanding, and will you be featuring daily specials?

Trevor Venn: With the renovations going on in the kitchen the menu is going to expand little by little. Right now what we have is really restricted so, we're kinda just making the best with what we have at the moment. I've been doing my best to try and make sure that our features are listed on the sandwich board and on the Facebook [page] every day. Our hope is that once we have all the equipment in and the renovations are complete we'll have a solid menu that people will be happy with.

TQ: What changes, if any, are you thinking of incorporating at SUDS?

TV: Well, one of the changes I've already done is that I've started having Jack Box Tuesdays instead of the Bingo Nights. The Bingo Nights were kinda slow last year and I thought that maybe having Jack Box games featured would be a fresh, new idea to try and interest the crowds [...] The idea is you come into SUDS, and

the game's playing on the TV; there's a code [that you can use to sign into the game on your phone, laptop, or any device connected to the internet, then] you just play with your [device] as the controller and anyone in the bar can join in and play this game.

Another thing I'm trying to look into is Wednesdays. As it stands right now we don't have the capacity to feature a Locals Live open mic night every Wednesday, but I'm looking into it. And we might have open mic once a month or so.

TQ: Is there any new food options you thinking of trying to bring in?

TV: Well, two food options we've already brought in are we've added regular pasta items to the menu. We have sub sandwiches now. Someone can either order an 8-inch or 12-inch variety and I'm hoping to, by the beginning of October, have actual menus where people can see what their options are with the pasta and the subs so they know exactly what it is they're ordering.

TQ: What kind of challenges do you have only being in an interim position at the moment?

TV: Well, people come with questions like, 'Hey, uh, can I book such and such event on such and such day' and it's like two or three months down the

line and I don't know when it is that the actual long term GM (General Manager) is going to come in and they might overrule anything that I've already told people, so the biggest challenge really is determining anything long term and informing people what it is that I can and can't do for them right now because I don't know how long until my term ends or is going to continue. As far as I know right now, it's until they've decided to hire a long term GM, and when they do, obviously they're going to take over and I'll have to step down.

TQ: What kind of beverage options do have alcohol-wise, has that changed?

TV: It has. At the start of the year we only had like three or four different selections for beer. I've increased that to ten, I'm still looking into more options in the draft, we still have one draft option that has not been filled yet. We'll still have the Palm Bay and the Rockstar Cocktails, we have more hard liquor, it's starting to feel more like a real bar where there's a lot more choices now as opposed to the start of the year where you really only had four.

TQ: What are your Deals of the Week?

TV: The Deals of the Week are basically, we have a lunch special and supper special the lunch special, after taxes, is

always going to come \$7.00 whereas the supper is a bigger meal comes to \$10.00 after tax. [...] as we get more items in and as more equipment becomes available for us to actually make items more of a selection will happen. So you'll be able to see burgers and stuff come back on the menu, and French fries as an option for a side instead of just soup or salad. So right now it's mostly just the sandwiches and wraps and whatever we can make for the supper special like quesadillas or adding meat to the pastas.

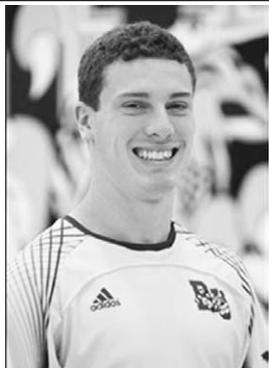
TQ: And that is more less until the renovations are finished?

TV: Yeah, and then we're hoping at some point to include some kind of a Wing Night where it's like \$0.69 wings [...] we've been making them in the oven right now so that takes a long time. So we haven't tried a wing night yet because of that, but once the Reno's are finished we should be able to have something like that.



MCAC

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Third-year Osian Edwards has been named MCAC Male Athlete of the Week for Week 3. Edwards led the pack this week with three goals, making him the top scorer. His contribution helped BU snag an 8-0 win over the ACC Cougars. This win puts the Bobcats at an early advantage in the third annual Prowler Cup. The Week 3 win over ACC also put Edwards and the Bobcats solidly into second place in the MCAC after beating Canadian Mennonite University and drawing with Red River Collegiate earlier this year. Before joining the Bobcats, Edwards played for Neelin High School in Brandon, MB, and stands out for his ability to continually track the plays on the pitch, as well as for his amazing speed. The Quill congratulates Edwards on this recognition, and wishes the Bobcats a successful season!

PROLER CUP UPDATE

Robert Killam, Senior Sports Reporter

Games played early last week included soccer matches on both Tuesday and Wednesday. Bobcat men and women played against the Cougars of ACC in an all out rivalry for the Prowler Cup.

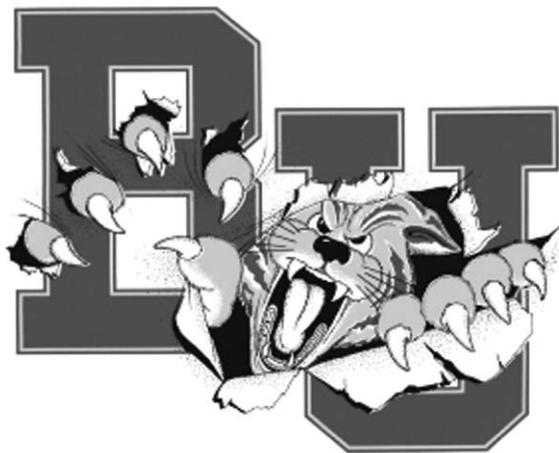
A local tournament, both teams played for bragging rights and the dominance in the community. The women Bobcats defeated the Cougars 7-0 and the men defeated the Cougars 8-0.

Aziza Kinnarath and Jaycee Castle each scored 2 goals for Brandon and were dominant forces on the field. The women played very well against the Cougars and never let them have a chance at victory.

Osian Edwards led the men with a hat-trick, setting

the pace early in the game, within the first two minutes. Osian would lead the men to victory and the Bobcats great teamwork would help set up many opening opportunities for the men.

The start of the Prowler Cup has begun and the edge so far goes to Brandon University. ACC has many challenges to face and issues to fix as they work their way back to the top of the MCAC league. The Cougars have yet to win the Prowler Cup for the past 2 years since its creation. Can Brandon win for a third year in a row? Please come out and check out the next head-to-head game when ACC and BU play on the 16th of October.



WEEKLY SPORTS SCOREBOARD

BOBCATS VS BISONS BASKETBALL - WOMENS 67 - 69	BOBCATS VS COUGARS BASKETBALL - WOMENS 68 - 75
BOBCATS VS EAGLES VOLLEYBALL - MENS SETS 3 - 0	BOBCATS VS COUGARS VOLLEYBALL - MENS SETS 3 - 0
BOBCATS VS WESMEN VOLLEYBALL - MENS SETS 2 - 3	BOBCATS VS VERT & OR VOLLEYBALL - MENS SETS 3 - 2
BOBCATS VS COUGARS VOLLEYBALL - WOMENS SETS 3 - 1	BOBCATS VS WESMEN VOLLEYBALL - MENS SETS 3 - 2
BOBCATS VS VARSITY BLUES VOLLEYBALL - WOMENS SETS 3 - 1	BOBCATS VS WESMEN VOLLEYBALL - WOMENS SETS 3 - 0
BOBCATS VS VARSITY BLUES VOLLEYBALL - WOMENS SETS 3 - 2	BOBCATS VS BLUE EAGLES VOLLEYBALL - WOMENS SETS 3 - 1
BOBCATS VS COUGARS SOCCER - MENS 8 - 0	BOBCATS VS LES ROUGES SOCCER - MENS 1 - 3
BOBCATS VS PILOTS SOCCER - MENS 2 - 3	BOBCATS VS COUGARS SOCCER - WOMENS 7 - 0
BOBCATS VS BLAZERS SOCCER - WOMENS 7 - 0	BOBCATS VS PILOTS SOCCER - WOMENS 7 - 1
BOBCATS VS LES ROUGES SOCCER - WOMENS 2 - 0	COUGARS VS PILOTS SOCCER - MENS 0 - 2
COUGARS VS PILOTS SOCCER - MENS 0 - 2	WHEAT KINGS VS REBELS HOCKEY - WHL 2 - 5
COUGARS VS BLAZERS SOCCER - MENS 0 - 4	WHEAT KINGS VS BRONCOS HOCKEY - WHL 2 - 3
	BLUE BOMBERS VS ESKIMOS FOOTBALL - CFL 26 - 40

PRE-SEASON VOLLEYBALL ACTION

Ashlyn Pearce, Editor-in-Cheif

Both of the Bobcats volleyball teams battled it out this past weekend in tournaments to show their strength before the regular season starts.

Off campus at the University of Winnipeg Unruh Realty Invitational the ladies' team played a total of five games, and won all of them. The games were against the University of Regina Cougars where they won 3 sets and gave up 1 (23-25, 25-18, 25-22, 25-16), the University of Winnipeg Wesmen where they won 3 sets and gave none up (25-16, 25-13, 25-18), the University of Toronto Varsity Blues where

they won 3 sets and gave up 1 (25-23, 16-25, 27-25, 26-24), the Université de Moncton Blue Eagles where they won 3 sets and gave up 1 (25-23, 16-25, 27-25, 26-24), and again against the University of Toronto Varsity Blues in the final, winning 3 sets and giving up 2 (28-26, 24-26, 21-25, 25-21, 15-13).

While the girls were away the men defended their home turf in a home tournament. They played a total of 5 games, winning 4 of them. The games were against King's University Eagles where they won 3 sets and gave up none (25-12, 25-

18, 25-20), University of Regina Cougars where they won 3 sets and gave up none (25-15, 25-17, 25-18), University of Winnipeg Wesmen where they lost the game giving up 3 sets winning 2 (25-21, 17-25, 19-25, 25-23, 15-12), Université de Sherbrook Vert & Or where they won 3 sets and gave up 2 (12-25, 25-19, 25-21, 12-25, 15-9), and again against the University of Winnipeg Wesmen in the final winning 3 sets and giving up 2 (25-21, 22-25, 26-28, 25-21, 15-13).

Both teams performed admirably in their tournaments and have proven their strength

for the season already. The Quill wishes them all the best in the coming regular season.

Sports and HLC Calendar

Tues. Oct. 4 th	Wed. Oct. 5 st	Thurs. Oct. 6 nd	Fri. Oct. 7 rd	Sat. Oct. 8 st	Sun. Oct. 9 nd	Mon. Oct. 10 rd
		Basketball: Bobcats vs Thunder Wolves at 7:00pm	Walk-in clinic 9:00am - 1:00pm Hockey: Wheat Kings vs Broncos in Westman Place at 7:30pm		Basketball: Bobcats vs Golden Hawks at Noon	

GLOBAL VIEW: ADJUSTING TO THE DISTANCE

Karina Valenzuela, Columnist

I have been living here, in Brandon, for 6 months. I am from Chile (that long narrow country in South America) and in Chile people leave their houses when they finish college. They save enough money to buy their own house, or they start filling up their parents' home with grandchildren. I wasn't the exception. I left my home when I was 26, already with a job and a boyfriend. But I was actually never away from my family.

At first Brandon did not seem so far, I was meeting

new people, doing new things, finding a place to live, getting used to speaking English 24/7. Everything seems strange and different when you first arrive. Time freezes in a way because you are busy doing so many things and then one day all those little differences become unbearable and frankly depressing. So when I heard my mother was coming to see me I felt glad I would have a little bit of home here in Canada for a few days.

My mother came to visit during the first week of classes

for nine days. She was supposed to come the week before the semester started, but instead she came when she wanted to. I was very disappointed with her timing, but could not say that to her. My original plan was to go to every activity, free meal, gathering, concert, and party the university had to offer; meet new people and make a lot of friends, but that did not happen. Of course I could not say to my mother that she was inconvenient, and I actually felt guilty for thinking that way, and did my best to spend as

much time as I could with her and make her have an amazing time.

Usually when families meet everything is lovely for about five minutes until they remember how much they dive each other crazy, my case is no different: my mother and I argue all the time when we are together. After 9 days we were still getting along surprisingly well, both of us trying not to ruin the moment, and that made me realize I was not ready to let her go. We didn't do anything extraordinary during her stay.

We went shopping, ate out, visited friends, but it made me appreciate my family in a new way, how much we rely on each other, and how far they really are.

I was raised to think that family is the most important thing in life so, hopefully, here in Canada I will meet people who will become as important in my life as my family is and through them this country will feel like home.

MITACS: A COLLABORATIVE INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY

Krista Murray, Web Content Coordinator

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Currently Mitacs is accepting applications for the Globalink Research Award which supports collaboration between Canada and a select few partner countries including Brazil, China, France, India, Mexico and Tunisia. Students within all disciplines are encouraged to apply, and are open to all Graduate students, with certain

destinations open to senior undergraduates as well.

Applicants cannot undertake research at an institution they have worked for or graduate from, or in a country in which they hold citizenship. Undergraduates must have completed their second year of studies, and have a B average in their two most recent semesters.

Exclusively for graduate students is the Mitacs-Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) internship, which supports student mobility between Canadian and Japanese Universities and research institutes. This 10 week program will run during the summer of 2017. The internship is open to

all fields of humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences.

JSPS will provide round-trip airfare, insurance as well as a maintenance allowance and a research support allowance.

These are excellent research and travel opportunities for undergraduate and graduates alike. For those who are interested in applying visit the Mitacs website mitacs.ca for more information on eligibility

and how to apply. The application deadline for both of these

opportunities is November 9th, 2016 at 5:00PM.



Shanghai, China. Photo Credit Krista Murray.

OP/ED: I AM AFRAID

Ariele Kehler, Assistant Editor-in-Chief

I moved to Brandon in 2011. I chose Brandon University specifically because I was from a small town, and Brandon seemed a lot less scary than Winnipeg, and I wanted to remain in the province to be closer to my parents. I got an apartment with some friends, and everything was fine. I went to class, and despite having an evening class once a week, I was unafraid to walk to and from the university alone.

I moved a total of four times in four years to different housing units, and until I moved into the apartment I've been in for the past two years, I've been very close to the school. I'll be the first to admit that my current neighbourhood isn't the best. I live very near the hospital in the East End. It's not the worst neighbourhood by any

means, and I wouldn't go so far as to compare it to Winnipeg's North End, but I am personally not comfortable walking down the street alone after 9:00pm.

I would never walk to the school, or home from it at night. It's not safe for anyone, but particularly women, to walk by themselves after dark. Reports of sexual assault from around the Downtown area – an area I would unavoidably have to walk through to get from Point A to Point B – have been plastered all over social media for the past month and a half. If this weren't terrifying enough, it's not even necessarily safe for the solitary woman to call a cab or wait for the public transit to transport her to where she needs to be – many of the bus stops in Brandon are not very well lit, and can therefore be

dangerous.

The threats of sexual assault chill me, but thankfully I have wonderful friends who are willing to provide me with a way to get home safely when I work late or have an evening class and my vehicle is in need of repair. I am concerned with late-night strolls, but always take one or more friends to discourage unwanted attention, and have so far been fine.

I've always felt safe in my own home, despite the "sketchy" neighbourhood I live in. Recently, events in Brandon have made me question my safety. On Sunday, September 25th, shortly after I returned home from work, my boyfriend heard a noise outside and stuck his head out into the kitchen where I was wearing headphones, listening to music

while doing dishes.

"Were those gunshots?" He asked.

I replied that it was more likely kids in the back lane playing with fire crackers, and we both went about our business. About an hour later, our roommate came in from work and informed us that the house at the end of the street was all taped off and two police vehicles were blocking off the entrance to the back lane. It turns out, approximately thirty bullets were fired into the home just meters from ours. According to police reports, it is believed to be in connection to a home invasion that occurred on Park Ave. that same day.

I no longer feel 100% secure in my own house. Both of the entrances to my apartment come with automatic locks, but

I now deadbolt both when I am home. I jump at random noises in the night, even if it's just my asshole hamster running on his squeaky wheel. I am afraid.

I fear for the future of this city, and of humanity in general. I ask myself if I want to eventually bring children into this world if I am afraid of it now. I hope for a better tomorrow, but I look at our neighbours to the South; at the election currently going on there, and think, "if they're willing to give a man who doesn't know a damn thing about politics control over nuclear missiles, is there going to be anywhere safe?"

I am afraid.



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"Stanning"

Do you just love a certain celebrity, musician, YouTuber, or even a really cool class mate? Not the kind of love where you actually talk to them, oh no, this is much more covert. Stanning is when you stalk someone you're a huge fan of, and FYI it's super creepy. My advice: if it's a celebrity then calm down. If it's a real person that you know: talk to them.



Dear Glow Cloud,

Now that SUDS has reopened, do you plan on going up to mingle? Also, aren't their soups die for?

Hungry for Conversation

Dear Conversation,

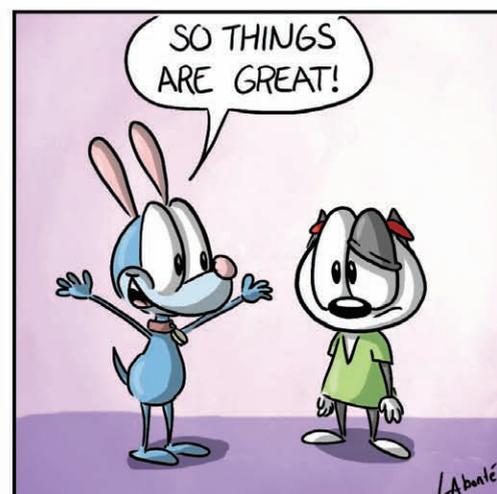
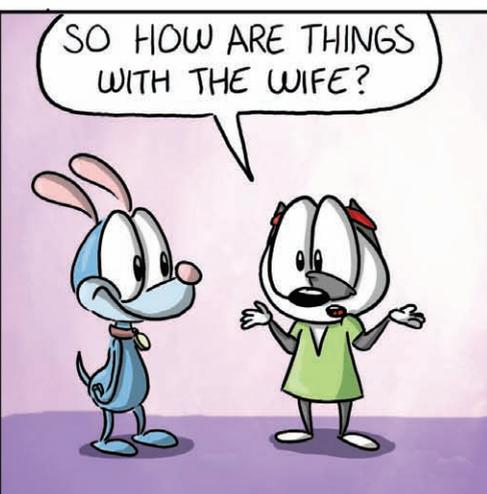
While I have long yearned for release from the dankness of the underground, being surrounded by all the noise of a bar is entirely unappealing to me. I think I'd much rather something more refined, and definitely something less populated. Perhaps I'll go there after it's closed, just to say I've been there without the hassle of having to interact with people.

Now that Brandon University is mine to roam, I will likely install myself somewhere that affords me a view of the campus, as well as leave me near enough to use mind control to get that damned Quill editor to do my bidding. With any luck she actually puts my piece in the paper this week, and doesn't just shunt me off to the side.

As for soup, I am incorporeal. I do not eat. However, if I did eat, I doubt it would be something that kills me. Why would anyone choose to eat something that would kill them?

All hail,
Almighty Glow Cloud

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FEATURED CLUB: THE BIOLOGICAL SOCIETY ON CAMPUS

Trevor Poole, Biology Club Secretary/Treasurer

The biology club is located in Room BB 3-48, better known as The Nucleus. The biology club, officially the Biological Society on Campus, seeks to provide information to students, advocate for students, and foster new relationships between students.

The biology club's current

push is the BUSU Hallowe'en food drive this October where they hope to wrest "pile o'food" victory from the clutches of their dreaded rivals: the VCF and Enactus. In addition, the club offers peer help with studying and answers to any biology questions. Lastly, the biology club is all about

student comfort, involvement, and fun. The club hosts socials like Chemology with other clubs where test tube shots can be enjoyed by science students and their less-sciencey brethren, puts on Darwin Days in February where free cake and a spaghetti sale are part-in-parcel, and plans to play host

to a series of student seminars from medical professionals in Brandon and beyond. The biology club is any biology student's one stop shop of creature comforts and camaraderie. Need a biology textbook – the Nucleus has a shelf full. Need to heat up or store food – the Nucleus has a microwave and

fridge. Need a nap – there is a couch and fuzzy blankets aplenty. Need to vent about your friends in Arts that have afternoons free while you are stuck in lab trying to count corn kernels – join the club!

STUDY TIPS: GRAMMARLY AND GOOGLE DICTIONARY

Krista Murray, Web Content Coordinator

Grammarly is a free Google Chrome extension that was created by a group of linguistic and language-lovers. Not all of us write great papers on the first, second, or even fifth draft (whatever that is), Grammarly helps you out with that by calling you on your terrible grammatical errors. Similar to Microsoft Office, when you see an underlined word all you have

to do is hover over it and voila, your correction is there. Easy peasy. Speaking of Microsoft Office, Grammarly also offers a free add-in for when you are using Word or Outlook. However if you're more partial to writing papers in Google Docs, you're out of luck. At present time Grammarly's extension does not work in Google Docs' platform.

If you prefer it there is also an Online Editor option. If you are wondering if I checked this article using Grammarly, I can assure that I did. Issues with this article include "passive voice misuse" and "punctuation in compound/complex sentences." As with most of these apps and extensions you can upgrade to a premium version for the low monthly pay-

ment of \$29.95, or just use the free version. Grammarly can be downloaded from the Chrome webstore.

Hand in hand with grammar comes the question of "what does that word mean, and how do I use it?" Fear not, once again Google has you covered. Google Dictionary is another free Chrome extension that is student budget friendly.

When you come across a word you don't know all you have to do is copy it and then simply paste it into the Google Dictionary extension and it will provide you with the definition. Google Dictionary is a lightweight alternative to lug-ging around that paper dictionary and is available from the Chrome webstore.

GET YOUR ASS IN THE CHAIR AND WRITE

Nathan MacKrieth, Reporter

On Monday, September 26th, internationally acclaimed storyteller and writer Richard Van Camp was all over Brandon University's campus with a 10:40am reading in McKenzie 003 and a 3:40pm workshop in Clark Hall 104. The dual event was a part of the annual Winnipeg International Writer's Festival which ran from September 23rd to October 1st. In his writing workshop Van Camp

challenged attendees to write a piece of writing in any genre and send it to him by October 26th. He said that he would read anything submitted to him and would advise as to what sort of publication the work should be submitted to in order for it to have the greatest chance of being published. His only conditions were that A) the writing must be new, not something that has been hiding in the bot-

tom of your closet for years, and B) the writing must be innovative and take literary risks.

Van Camp went on to say that 90% of writing involves just sitting your ass down and starting to write. He advises writers to allow stories to develop in their own way and on their own timeline. Van Camp has written stories that took him a period of five years to write, like his 1996 novel *The Blessed*. He has

also written narratives that took him a total of two minutes to

write, like his 2013 children's book *Little You*.

For more information on

Van Camp, check out his website at richardvancamp.com.

RESIDENCE OLYMPICS

Ashlyn Pearce, Editor-in-Chief

Each year the students living in McMaster Hall, Darrach Hall, and Flora Cowan take part in the Residence Olympics, which are organized and put on by the Inter-Residence Committee.

all of the events, with a special team of participants made up by the Residence Assistants named "We R.A. Team". Residence Director Kristin Smart commented that the Residence Assistant's enthusiasm "was extremely special [...] showing us that they are just like us".

The Milk Chug, Poker, Trivia, Slip n' Slide, Capture the Flag, and a Frozen T-Shirt Contest. The series of events concluded with the Toga Social on September 23rd, which included a Toga Dance-Off.

nated by the BU Bookstore, SUDS, and BUSU.

Some of the events that took place over the week was

The winning team for the whole week was "We R.A. Team", and the victors have been given prizes which were do-

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Campus Calendar

Tues. Oct. 4 th	Wed. Oct. 5 th	Thurs. Oct. 6 th	Fri. Oct. 7 th	Sat. Oct. 8 th	Sun. Oct. 9 th	Mon. Oct. 10 th
Pro-Series in the Lorne Watson Recital Hall at 8:00pm	Giving-Thanks Potluck in IPC for all students who identify as First Nations, Metis, Aboriginal, or Inuit at 5:30pm		Science Seminar Series in BB 4-47 at 3:00pm Captain Fantastic at The Evans at 7:30pm	Eckhardt-Gramatte Solo Recital in the Lorne Watson Recital Hall at 1:00pm Captain Fantastic at The Evans at 7:30pm	Captain Fantastic at The Evans at 7:30pm	Thanksgiving: No Classes!

BRANDON UNIVERSITY ALUMNI AWARDS FOR HOMECOMING 2016

Aleca Antonakis, Reporter

Each October on the week-end after Thanksgiving, Brandon University (BU) hosts Homecoming, which consists of reunions for different graduated class years. With Homecoming comes the annual Alumni Awards that are presented to former graduates who for having outstanding achievements in their fields or in the community, as well awards for distinguished members of faculty. Nominations

for the Alumni Awards are submitted by April 1st of the current year, and any member of the community is eligible to nominate an Alumni or member of faculty. This year's award winners are as following: Whitney Kreller-Lamont (Distinguished Young Alumni Award); Barbara Martin (Distinguished Alumni Award For Community Service); Mitch Taylor (Alumni Award For Career Achievement); Dr. Al-

lan J. Ryan (Alumni Award For Career Achievement); and Dr. Cheryl J. Craig (Wall Of Fame Award).

This year's winner of the Distinguished Young Alumni Award, Whitney Kreller-Lamont, graduated in 2007 with a Bachelor of Science, and then with a Bachelor of Education in 2009.

The Distinguished Young Alumni Award is presented to Brandon University Alumni,

35 years of age or younger, in recognition of their significant achievements in their profession, sport, or community service.

"Whitney is a teacher at Ecole Secondaire Neelin High School in Brandon since 2009. She continues to follow her passion for learning and now teaches the International Baccalaureate Mathematics Program at Neelin. Whitney is involved with many of the

school's extra-curricular activities and was co-founder of the Neelin High School Triathlon Team, co-founder of the Students Working Against Tobacco program, and has served as the coordinator of the Graduation Committee," said Rob Henderson, Marketing Communications Officer at BU in a press release.

The Quill congratulates Kreller-Lamont, as well as her fellow award recipients.

SCHOOL OF MUSIC PRO-SERIES

Aleca Antonakis, Reporter

Two professional pianists, Drs. Ning Lu and Jie-deng Lu performed a piece of music at Brandon University in the Lorne Watson Recital Hall on September 20th at 8:00pm. Dr. Ning Lu performed a solo piece in the first act before the intermission. He performed the Piano Sonata in B flat major, and another piece in D 960 by F. Shubert. Dr. Jie-deng performed with Dr. Ning Lu in the second act. They performed Fantasy for One Piano, Four Hands in F Minor, and in D 940, also by F. Schubert. They played the long, classical

pieces wonderfully. Unlike the popular radio song that lasts 3-4 minutes, the classical piece will last much longer, sometimes as long at 20 or more minutes for a single song.

Dr. Ning Lu was born in China and started playing piano at the age of nine. He began his studies at the Central Conservatory of Music in Beijing. He was then awarded the performance Diploma in 1986. From 1989 to 1994, he advanced his music education at the University of Utah, School of Music, where he received both his Bachelor and Master's

degrees. He then served as an adjunct piano faculty member at the University of Utah until 1996, when he then began to work on his doctoral degree. He was the recipient of two major scholarships- the Frank and Gina Day Performance Scholarship, and the Norma Ekstrand Performance Scholarship. He completed his doctoral study in three years at the University of Colorado in Boulder.

Dr. Jie-deng Lu began her studies at a very young age at the Wu Han Conservatory of Music in Wu Han, China. She

was the only music student in 1998 to receive a full-scholarship award from the University of Colorado in Boulder, where she studied with Angela Chen, Larry Graham, and Robert Spillman while continuing her studies. She then worked on her doctoral degree at the University of Illinois.

Drs. Lu are a husband-and-wife duo who are first generation Chinese-born Americans, and both are currently on faculty at the University of Utah.



Plaque outside the Music Building. Photo Credit Ashlyn Pearce.

SARGENT & VICTOR & ME

Nathan MacKrieth, Reporter

Winnipeg playwright, director, and actor Debbie Patterson was in Brandon last

week to give a talk at Brandon University and to perform her one person play *Sargent & Victor & Me*.

Paterson's talk "Writing From the Body: Disability Art and the Physical Nature of Theatre" took place on Tuesday September 27th in Clark Hall Room 104, and focused on her own personal experiences as an actor and artist living with Multiple Sclerosis. She spoke on the kinds of challenges she faces daily and how she has been and continues to learn how to overcome them through creativity and ingenuity. Patterson's talk was part of the continuing Brandon University Faculty of Arts Speakers Series.

Patterson's performances of her play *Sargent & Victor & Me* was performed on Wednes-

day September 28th at 7:30pm, and Thursday September 29th at 12:00pm, at the Park Community Center. According to promotional materials, the play is a tatterdemalion cast of colourful characters, with the central focus being on the character Gillian, who "is being brought down by an incurable, progressive, debilitating illness. Her brother Bob is coping with muggings, home invasions, and police brutality in his core area home. A visit with her brother leads Gillian on a series of encounters with people who live, by choice or necessity, in the

worst part of town. In the crucible of an inner city foodbank violence, poverty, and disability are transformed into love, generosity, and the enduring strength of the human spirit."

Debbie Patterson was brought to Brandon University with support from the Dean of Arts, the Rowe Fund, the Department of English and Creative Writing, and the Hawkweed Literary Forum.

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Sisters in Spirit Walk starting in the courtyard at 4:00pm	SERC Open House 2:00 - 6:00pm	Light Up The World Purple Walk meeting in Down Under at 6:30pm Karaoke at Double Decker	Live music at The 40, Double Decker	Live music at The 40, Double Decker		

HOW GOOD ARE BU'S WASHROOMS?

Ashlyn Pearce, Editor in Chief

Brandon University, and other universities around the world, are primarily places of higher learning. But in between classes, for different people, at different times, they are also places to do your business.

Despite its relatively small stature compared to other campuses across Canada, Brandon University can still be dauntingly large in terms of the options available for someone in search

of a washroom. This week's online-exclusive article, while nowhere near exhaustive, attempts to demystify the process of choosing an optimal place to go about your business. We compiled

this review for you, reader, so that you know what to expect when you open that bathroom door. Read it, as well as all of The Quill's other articles, at thequill.ca.



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