

March 2018



President's Report to Board of Governors



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Accounting students win national competition

Lakehead University accounting students Dylan Paxton, Matthew Etrene, Ryan Ferguson, and Sabeera Azhar earned first place in the case competition at this year's ACHIEVE Conference, February 1-2.

ACHIEVE is Canada's premier undergraduate accounting conference, hosted by one of the most distinguished and largest business schools, the Ted Rogers School of Management. This year's case competition dealt with persevering in the face of pressure from superiors to bend the rules. Sixteen teams from across Canada participated in the two-day conference at the Marriott Downtown Eaton Centre Hotel in Toronto, which included an accounting-based case competition, guest speakers, and networking events.

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Nurturing Scholarship

New Environmental Sustainability certificate program launched

On February 15, Lakehead University introduced a new certificate program that will prepare students to address the complex and interconnected environmental challenges facing society today. The new *Certificate in Environmental Sustainability* is a five-course, online program for professionals and practitioners alike who want to enhance their skills, knowledge base and expertise in the field of environmental sustainability. The program, offered through Lakehead Orillia's Department of Sustainability Sciences, can be completed within one year.

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Community Engagement

Lakehead kicks off Research & Innovation Week 2018

The theme of this year's Research & Innovation Week is *Connections*. Several public talks will highlight how we make our world a stronger place when we connect our knowledge, our curiosity, and our findings. With events at Lakehead University, the Intercity Shopping Centre and other Thunder Bay locations from March 2 to 9, R & I Week is an annual showcase of the exceptional research being undertaken at the University.

Please visit lakeheadu.ca/ri for information about all of R & I Week's events.

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Lakehead Vice-President (Research & Innovation), Dr. Andrew P. Dean, hosted the opening ceremonies, March 2.

Faculty of Law hosts *Revitalizing Indigenous Law through Language* lecture

On March 1, Lakehead University's Bora Laskin Faculty of Law hosted a lecture by John Borrows, Canada Research Chair in Indigenous Law at the University of Victoria Law School in British Columbia, entitled *Revitalizing Indigenous Law through Language*.

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Bora Laskin Faculty of Law hosts Aboriginal Justice Systems Conference

On March 2, our Faculty of Law hosted an Aboriginal Justice Systems Conference, an informative and timely event on justice forums for Aboriginal Peoples. Presentations were provided by the Akwesasne Court, Provincial Court of British Columbia – First Nation Court, Penobscot Nation Judicial System, and Indigenous Peoples' Court of Thunder Bay, among others.

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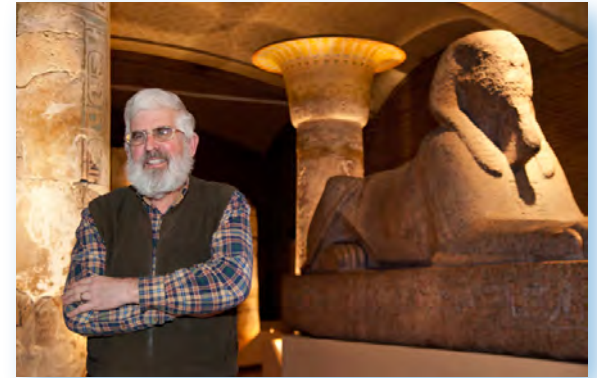


Lakehead University hosts tasty talk on ancient beer

Lakehead University's Dr. Carney Matheson participated in a thirst-quenching Research & Innovation Week discussion about ancient beer at the Prince Arthur Waterfront Hotel on March 3.

The talk, called *Ancient Brews Rediscovered and Re-created*, was hosted by **Dr. Patrick McGovern**, a chemist with the University of Pennsylvania Museum who has travelled around the world to re-create ancient ale.

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Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada Conference 2018

On March 5, as part of PDAC 2018, I had the pleasure of hosting Lakehead's annual PDAC Alumni & Friends Breakfast at the InterContinental in Toronto to 120 invited guests.

I used the occasion to welcome guests and provide them with updates on pertinent Lakehead University activities from the past year.



Other speakers included the Honorable Michael Gravelle, the Honorable Bill Mauro, and Lakehead GTA Alumni Chapter Vice-President Karen Boz. Our emcee, Lakehead Geology Chair and Director of the Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Mining and Exploration (CESME) Dr. Pete Hollings shared news about CESME, and keynote speaker Dr. Amanda Diochon (Associate Professor and Water Resource Science Program coordinator) spoke of the exciting new program she's launched called "Building Bridges Over Water".

The annual PDAC conference offers an exceptional opportunity for Lakehead University to attend mining and exploration industry events, reconnect with our Alumni, meet with industry partners and promote the Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Mining and Exploration to new audiences.