



November 2014

# President's Report to Board of Governors



**Lakehead**  
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## Office of the President



### New Varsity Golf Team represents Lakehead at OCAA Tourney

Congratulations to the members of our inaugural varsity golf team, who successfully competed at the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) Golf Championships in September. Orillia Campus student golfers competed against golf teams from 16 other OCAA colleges and universities at the Wildfire Golf Club in Douro-Dummer, Ontario, hosted by Fleming College. Thanks to a partnership with the Orillia's Hawk Ridge Golf & Country Club, the team was able to train at the nearby course in preparation for the tournament.

*Lakehead's new Orillia Campus varsity golf team, (left to right): Nolan McMechan, Taylor Ham, Jerry Hinds (Coach), Steven Ashbridge, Matthew Campbell, and Nick Ryan.*

## 3 New Art Galleries Unveiled in Thunder Bay

Lakehead University is opening three new gallery spaces on the Thunder Bay campus, featuring art by faculty, staff, students, alumni and research project affiliates.

The three new gallery spaces are:

**In Other Words**  
Education Library

**The Junction** — Where Science Meets Art  
ATAC 6th Floor

**The LAIR** (Lakehead Arts Integrated Research)  
Bora Laskin Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

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*Students, staff, faculty and others attend the grand opening of art galleries.*



# Achieve Excellence in Teaching, Learning, and Research

## Orillia Campus Education Faculty Achievements

### New Online Journal

Assistant Professors Sonia Mastrangelo and Katherine Becker have received start-up funding through Lakehead's Strategic Research Opportunity Grant to develop a new online journal, entitled *The International Journal of Holistic Early Learning and Development*.

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### 2015 Conference in Orillia

In conjunction with the new journal, *The International Journal of Holistic Early Learning and Development*, Drs. Mastrangelo and Becker are organizing the first annual *International Conference on Early Childhood Development and Learning*, Friday, May 1, and Saturday May 2, 2015 at Lakehead Orillia.

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### Ministry of Education Publishes Orillia Professor's Research

Associate Professor Ruth Beatty's research, *Exploring the Power of Growing Patterns*, was featured in a recent issue of *What Works? Research into Practice*, an Ontario Ministry of Education publication that highlights promising teaching at the classroom level.

[Click here to see Beatty's research as featured in What Works? Research into Practice...](#)



## Lakehead University Research Ranks 2<sup>nd</sup> in Ontario; 3<sup>rd</sup> in Canada

Lakehead University has been ranked in the top three Research Universities of the Year in the undergraduate category of *Canada's Top 50 Research Universities*, released annually by Re\$earch Infosource.

Re\$earch Infosource ranks Lakehead second among Ontario's undergraduate universities, and third among Canada's undergraduate universities.

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## Lakehead Rises Two Spots to #8 in Maclean's Top 10 Universities

Maclean's magazine's 2015 University Rankings places Lakehead University second among Ontario's primarily undergraduate universities. When compared to all Canadian universities in this category, Lakehead rose two spots from last year to rank eighth.

For the second consecutive year, Lakehead leads Ontario's undergraduate universities in Total Research Dollars, Social Sciences and Humanities Grants, and Library Expenses.

Also for the second year in a row, Lakehead is second among Ontario's undergraduate universities when it comes to Student/faculty ratio, Student awards, Scholarships and bursaries, Library acquisitions, Operating budget, and Faculty awards.

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## Extend Community Engagement and Outreach

### Lakehead hosts Lake Couchiching Water Quality Research Discussion

Researchers from Lakehead University's Orillia campus offered the public an opportunity to learn about the water quality of Lake Couchiching — including past, present, and future research studies. The presentation and discussion that took place on September 26 featured two Lakehead professors and a special guest.

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### Growing Relations in Orillia

This summer, LUSU, Orillia Campus Faculty, and community members came together to construct two campus gardens: a pollinator garden by the cafeteria and a three sister's garden on the south side of campus.

The initiative is tied into a broader food movement in Orillia associated with the Orillia Community Gardens Committee and the growing Orillia Food Council.

### Lakehead hosts Ontario's Engineering Faculties' *Go ENG Girl*

On October 18, Lakehead University hosted the 10<sup>th</sup> annual *Go ENG Girl*, a free event encouraging girls in grades 7 and up, and their parents, to meet engineering alumna, faculty and students and enjoy hands-on activities as they learn about current programs of study and careers in engineering.

*Go ENG Girl* participants experience the creativity, imagination and teamwork involved in engineering design. The event is sponsored by Ontario's 16 Faculties of Engineering & the Ontario Network of Women in Engineering.



*Myself speaking with Orillia donor, as well as faculty and students at Orillia Report to Community Luncheon.*

## 2013-2014 Annual Reports to the Community

Invited guests from communities across Central and Northwestern Ontario gathered at our Orillia and Thunder Bay campuses on Nov. 11 and 13, respectively, to celebrate the release of our 2013-14 Annual Report.

This year's Annual Report focuses on Lakehead's achievements in the spheres of economic, social, and environmental sustainability.

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