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From the Editor

Dear Rhodes Readers,

The year has flown by and we are once again preparing to send off another class of Canadian Rhodes Scholars to Oxford at this year's Sailing Dinner, quickly approaching on Saturday September 27th in Ottawa. You can register online at <u>https://canadianrhodessailingdinner2014.eventbrite.ca</u> and find the invitation on page 8. We hope that you will join us!

It's also the time to renew your Canadian Association of Rhodes Scholars (CARS) Membership. You can complete this process online at: http://tinyurl.com/CARSRenewal2014 or by returning the form on page 25. We hope you enjoy being part of this vibrant community. As a member, you will receive the newsletter and discounted tickets for Sailing Dinner and other CARS Events. Your dues cover the cost of Scholars-Elect attending the Sailing Dinner. They also help CARS to supplement the cost of these tickets for recently returned scholars and support the organization of local events throughout the year. We thank you for your ongoing support!

This edition of the newsletter is full of exciting news and pictures of the activities of Canadian Rhodes Scholars, both home and abroad! You can find a Letter from Oxford, penned by **Laura Pittman (Newfoundland & St. John's 2013)**, in which she reflects at the end of Trinity Term about her first year in Oxford. There are pictures of Canadian Scholars attending events hosted by the Rhodes Trust in North America (page 13) and in Oxford (page 14). Tillie Shuster, the Canada Campaign Director for the Rhodes Trust, provides us with an update on the development activities of the Trust (page 12). On page 18, we introduce you to the new class of Scholars-Elect with a link to a fantastic Globe and Mail article about all 11 Scholars and also links to articles about them written by their current universities. We toast the accomplishments of many other Scholars in our regular sections, starting on page 15.

While there is much to celebrate, we are saddened by the passing of two scholars - **Roberto Gualtieri (Quebec & Queen's 1957)** and **Bernie Adell (Alberta & Wadham 1961)**. **Eric Bergbusch (Saskatchewan & Exeter 1957)** has written a touching tribute to Roberto Gualtieri, which can be found on page 19, and Bernie Adell's obituary is on page 23.

If you have any feedback about the newsletter or would like to contribute an article, update or tribute, please contact me at:

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Sincerely,



Katie Sheehan, Ontario & Merton 2002

From the President of CARS

Dear Rhodes Community,

It's amazing how quickly the seasons change and that we're finally in the thralls of summer. Thinking of summer and Rhodes always evokes strong memories of garden parties, croquet lawns, and College balls. After what always felt like an interminable winter, suddenly the quads were alive with the sort of Oxford one had always dreamed of. I won't make it to Oxford this summer, but I have had a Pimm's or two to honour the memories!

The Canadian Association of Rhodes Scholars (CARS) is not spending the whole of the summer luxuriating, as we have been planning for our annual Sailing Dinner, which will take place on September 27th at the National Arts Centre in Ottawa. I do hope you will join us. This annual occasion is a wonderful moment for the Rhodes community from and in Canada to come together, make connections, honour our memories and inspire new projects, and celebrate the remarkable new entrants into the Rhodes family. I know it's a trek for many, but we would really love it if as many of you as can will join us for dinner in Ottawa.

I've been particularly struck by the growing sense of community within the Rhodes family. This spring, CARS was able to continue to host a number of events across the country and abroad, including a wonderful reception with the Warden in Montreal. That event, exceptionally well-organized by the Trust, **Richard Pan (Ontario & Balliol 1998)**, and **Bill** **Buxton (Alberta & St. John's 1971)**, was the first in a while, and continues CARS' goal of having an increasingly active regional presence. Should you wish to organize an event in your region, as casual as you would like, please do get in touch and we would be happy to help with both resources and contacts.

CARS was also happy to co-host a reception with our American cousins at the North American University of Oxford Reunion in New York City. The late-night drinks party was well-attended and brought together many generations, nations, and professions. It highlighted to me, yet again, how diverse our community is, the intriguing and interesting things people are up to, as well as the incredible connections that can be made when this grouping comes together. It was also fantastic to see Canada so well-represented and to recognize CARS alongside the American Association of Rhodes Scholars in the Warden's vision for a more connected Rhodes community.

Having said all this, I would like to see and meet with more of you and look forward to doing so at upcoming events, as the summer turns to autumn.

All best wishes on behalf of CARS,



Mark Schaan, Manítoba & New 2002

The Canadian Association of Rhodes Scholars cordially invites you to attend

Sailing Dinner 2014



Saturday September 27nd 2014 Ottawa, Ontario

Reception at 6.30pm Dinner at 7.30pm National Arts Centre, 53 Elgin St, Ottawa, ON

In addition to the usual festivities, we hope that the 2004, 1994, 1984, 1974, 1964, 1954, and 1944 matriculation years will take the opportunity to celebrate their 10th, 20th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 70th reunions!

Sailing Dinner 2014

The Canadian Association of Rhodes Scholars cordially invites you to the 2014 Sailing Dinner. All current and past Rhodes Scholars and their guests/partners are most welcome to attend. This annual dinner provides an opportunity to meet the 2014 Rhodes Scholars-Elect and help send them off to Oxford in style.

The dinner will be held on Saturday September 27th 2014 in the Salon at the National Arts Centre in downtown Ottawa. The cash-bar reception will begin at 6:30 pm and dinner at 7:30 pm. The cost of the dinner and reception (including wine with dinner) will be \$80.00 for members of the Canadian Association of Rhodes Scholars, \$90.00 for non-members and guests/partners of members, and \$40.00 for those who have gone down within the past four years. The cost for any Scholars currently in residence and on stipend will be borne by the Association. Dress for the dinner is business attire.

Please register as soon as possible and pay online at: <u>http://canadianrhodessailingdinner2014.eventbrite.ca</u>

Please pass along this invitation to any other Scholars (Canadian or otherwise) who may be in Canada during this time.

If you would prefer to not register online, please call Mark Schaan at 613-327-5463.

Letter from Oxford

While reflecting back on this past year of my life, I recognize that it has been a time of great change and personal growth. As the next class of Rhodes Scholars is preparing to arrive I can't help but think that I will soon become one of the "older" scholars, who is expected to know the ins and outs of the city and who should be able to answer all the questions posed by the arriving class. Although I didn't initially recognize it, I now realize that I do now fit the description of the "older" scholar. I have learned so much over the last year about this wonderful town, the uniqueness of the University of Oxford and myself.

I'm sure you can all vividly recall that Oxford is stunningly beautiful. It has a richness and uniqueness that can only be held by places with such historic roots. Although Oxford now feels like home, it wasn't always that way. Similar to all unfamiliar cities it took some time to adjust. However, adjusting to Oxford life was actually an extremely refreshing experience. It was truly wonderful to explore the city, and I've discovered that it's something you have to experience firsthand.

For me, the real beauty of Oxford is the first view of Port Meadow on a sunny day, the elegance of Magdalen Tower illuminated at night, the grandeur of the colleges, the quiet of the gardens, the discovery of the surrounding villages and the hustle of students that creates a certain energy in the air. The town is inspirational in so many ways, not only in its beauty but in the knowledge that the streets you roam were once roamed by amazing and inspiring people: Nobel Prize winners, scientist, poets, politicians and even saints. I can't help but wonder who among us will become the next generation of historic figures!

Understanding the university is an education on its own, but eventually you learn to navigate the system. The most important thing I've discovered is that an education from Oxford isn't confined to the lectures you attend within the walls of a classroom or from researching a paper. It is far more outreaching. The real education comes from the experiences you have: the internal desire and freedom to explore different subject areas and the opportunities to engage in conversation, travel the world, compete in sports and express creative interests.

Although the city itself and the university have greatly impacted my life, the best part of this experience, and the most influential on my education and personal growth, has been the people that I have had the pleasure to meet. The entire Rhodes community is passionate, diverse and amazingly talented! I am humbled in a new way every day as I get to know more of my peers and their stories, but I also find it to be an amazing source of inspiration and drive.

This community has stretched and challenged my views and opinions, taught me an endless amount and forced me to reflect more about the person I am and who I want to become. I arrived at Oxford 10 months ago hoping to gain a global perspective for both my personal and professional life. In addition to that, this experience has also developed lasting friendships and a greater respect and understanding of cultural diversity. I am thankful every day that I have been fortunate enough to be given the opportunity to meet incredible individuals, become part of a remarkable community and live in this magical place that is Oxford!



Laura Píttman, Newfoundland & St. John's 2013

Rhodes Trust Development Update

It's hard to believe it's now been a year since I joined the Rhodes Trust as our Canada Campaign Director. And what an eventful year it has been - from my first visit to Oxford and Rhodes House, to our 110th Anniversary celebrations, to the Sailing Dinner where I was delighted to meet our newest Scholars, to the Going Down Dinner where I joined staff and Trustees in congratulating our graduating Scholars.

The 110th Anniversary was a wonderful opportunity to meet so many Canadians and their spouses, partners and families. I continue to be based in Toronto but am committed to regularly visiting all our regions and to meeting as many of you as I can. Over the past months, I've been able to visit Scholars in various parts of Ontario, as well as trips to British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Quebec. I'm looking forward to my visits to the Maritimes, Newfoundland and a further trip to the Prairies. We've also been privileged to have our new Warden, **Charles** **Conn (Massachusetts & Balliol 1983)** visit Canada three times this past year and hosted receptions in Vancouver and Montreal.

I know Scholars in various regions are also planning separate events and please do let me know if you do get together and, if at all possible, I would love to join you and bring the latest Rhodes House updates.

Thank you also to everyone who has contributed so generously to the campaign. Your support has made an enormous difference. The campaign has been an enormous success thus far; we've raised £96 million towards our total goal of £150 million. John McCall MacBain's wonderful gift has meant we are able to match all our Canadian gifts 1:1 so it immediately doubles your support. I look forward to sending an update in the coming weeks on our efforts to fully endow our 11 Canadian Scholarships.

Thank you to for so warmly welcoming me to the Rhodes community. If you would like any further information on the campaign, have any questions or ideas on how we can better serve our community, please do contact me. The most delightful part of any day is always personally connecting with Scholars!



Tillie Shuster, Canada Campaign Director

Team Canada at Rhodes Trust Events in North America

Photo credit: Rhodes Trust



The Warden of Rhodes House, Charles Conn (Massachusetts & Balliol 1983), meets with Canadian Rhodes Scholars in Montreal (April 2014)



Karlee Silver (Prairies & Magdalen 2002), Katie Sheehan (Ontario & Merton 2002), Dwight Newman (Prairies & St. John's 2001) and Naana Jumah (Ontario & Jesus 2001) at the Rhodes Trust Breakfast in New York (April 2014)

Team Canada at Rhodes Trust Events in Oxford

Photo credit: Rhodes Trust



The Honourable Justice Rosalie Abella of the Supreme Court of Canada, and member of the Ontario Rhodes Selection Committee, meets with Canadian Rhodes Scholars-in-Residence (May 2014)



John McCall MacBain (Quebec & Wadham 1980) at this year's Going Down Dinner at Rhodes House (June 2014)

Honours, Appointments and Awards

Salim Yusuf (India & St. John's 1976) was one of the winners of the <u>2014 Canada Gairdner Wightman Award</u> for his significant contribution to the field of medicine. According to the <u>CBC</u>, Dr. Yusuf's epidemiological and clinical research has had a global impact, shaping the treatment and prevention of cardiovascular disease.

Eric Hoskins (Ontario & Balliol 1986) was named Minister of Health and Long Term Care, following the election of the Liberal Party in Ontario.

Both **Peter Gill (Alberta & Magdalen 2009)** and **Samir Sinha** (Manitoba & New 2001) were recognized by the <u>Canadian</u> <u>Medical Association</u> as outstanding young physicians leaders. Peter won the student award for his innovative research and clinical dedication to the field of pediatrics, while Samir was awarded the early career award for his advocacy and policy work in geriatrics. Peter was also awarded a <u>CIHR Rising Star</u> <u>Award</u> for excellence in research and the potential of his work to make an impact in the field of health services and policy research.

David Goldbloom (Nova Scotia & Exeter 1975) was appointed Officer of the <u>Order of Canada</u>.

Ilse Treurnicht (South Africa-at-Large & Balliol 1979) was named one of <u>Canada's Most Powerful Women</u> by the Women's Executive Network. She was also inducted into the Network's Hall of Fame, in recognition of her longstanding contribution to Canadian innovation.

Over the last year, Ian Macdonald (Ontario & Balliol 1952) was recognized for three different phases of his public career. First, the **Ouarter Century Club of the Ontario Public Service** created a celebratory quilt known as The Legends of the OPS Ouilt in honour of "eight legendary figures of the Ontario Public Service", where Ian served as a Deputy Minister for a decade. This was placed outside the Ontario Legislature. Second, he was included as one of the 110 "Alumni of Influence" from graduates of University College, University of Toronto over the College's nearly two century history. Third, in a ceremony at the Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto, York University acknowledged his contributions to their men's icehockey programme and his service as the former chair of Hockey Canada (responsible for Canada's Olympic and International Ice Hockey Programmes). Ian also retired after 35 years as a corporate director of the AFG Funds and 30 years on the Board of McGraw-Hill Ryerson publishing company, including 18 years as Chair. He will continue to conduct international workshops on public management in the Commonwealth and teach at York University.

Sujit Choudhry (Quebec & University 1992) was named <u>Dean of the University of California, Berkley, School of Law</u>. He is an expert in comparative constitutional law.

Fr. Robert Barringer (Ontario & University 1967) was appointed Master of Scholastics and Director of Studies for the Basilian Fathers in Colombia.

Scholars in the News

The Globe Debate section seems to like Canadian Rhodes Scholars these days:

Karlee Silver (Manitoba & Magdalen 2002) and her colleague Peter Singer wrote about Canada's contribution to maternal and child health on Mother's Day in their article, *The best Mother's Day gift: A child who reaches full potential*.

David Goldbloom (Nova Scotia & Exeter 1975), with fellow

psychiatrist Dr. Paul Kurdyak, discussed the demand for mental health services and the supply of psychiatrists regionally in Ontario in their piece, <u>Can't Find a Psychiatrist?</u> <u>Here's Why</u>.

Prabhat Jha (Prairies & Magdalen 1987) and John McArthur (British Columbia & Brasenose 1998) jointly

published <u>a piece</u> exploring how Canada can best contribute to maternal, newborn and child health internationally.

Scholars in Print

David Jones (Alberta & Balliol 1970) and his colleague Anne S. de Villars published the text, <u>Principles of Administrative</u> <u>Law, 6th Edition</u>. According to Carswell, the publisher, "rather than attempting to discuss the abundance of case law emanating from every Canadian jurisdiction, this work provides a conceptual framework for understanding the principles of administrative law, which readers may then apply to specific fact situations".

Class of 2014 Canadian Rhodes Scholars-Elect

The entire of class of 2014 Canadian Rhodes Scholars-Elect was featured earlier this year in the <u>Globe and Mail</u>. You can meet them in person at this year's Sailing Dinner!

Dylan Collins – British Columbia, University of Victoria

<u>Aravind Ganesh</u> – Prairies, University of Calgary <u>Yan Yu</u> – Prairies, University of Calgary <u>Jonathan Pedde</u> – Prairies, Dartmouth College

<u>Joseph Singh</u> – Ontario, Dartmouth College <u>Saumya Krishna</u> – Ontario, University of Western Ontario

<u>Suzanne Newing</u> – Quebec, McGill University <u>Simon-Pierre Chevarie-Cossette</u> – Quebec, Université de Montréal

<u>Michael Mackley</u> – Atlantic, Dalhousie University <u>Kylie de Chastelain</u> – Atlantic, Mount Allison University

Anthony Payne – Newfoundland, Memorial University

In Memoriam



Roberto Domenico Gualtieri Quebec & Queen's 1957

1937-2014

Tribute by Eric Bergbusch (Saskatchewan & Exeter 1957)

One early recollection of Roberto Gualtieri is of an elegant, young foreign service officer bursting out of an adjacent room in the oak-lined East Block, waving a piece of paper and shouting "The bastards! They have killed him!" It was a wire service report about the fate of Patrice Lumumba during the UN's Congo operation. There was little doubt about who the perpetrators were, but few of us took it as personally as Roberto did. Even as he rose in the ranks and became a leading policy analyst in the public service of Canada, his passionate commitment to a reasoned and ethical approach to public policy remained undiminished.

Roberto chose a quotation from Plato as an epigraph for his obituary: "Good actions give strength to ourselves and inspire good actions in others". Philosophy - the study of ethical action - was a central concern in his university studies at McGill and later, as a Rhodes Scholar, at Oxford (PPE & The Queens College). He valued the steady base in reason which analytical philosophy brought to the examination of questions which we all face in private and public life. An 'examined life' was for him, as for many others, a useful counter-weight to a naturally passionate nature.

Robero Domenico Gualtieri was born in Niagara Falls, Ontario, on 5 December 1936, the son of immigrant parents. His father Domenico was from the south of Italy, his mother Teresa (née Omodeo) from the north – a blend he found in his own character. A precocious student and university athlete, he won all the prizes at school and at McGill, before gaining one of the Rhodes scholarships for Québec at 19 and going up to Oxford, in 1957, at 20. He would recall wryly in later years that he had had the gall to assist his father, a Protestant pastor, by himself serving immigrant parishes around Montréal as a teenager during the summers. His life later moved in a different direction, but that sense of engagement with what was good and worthy and beautiful remained.

Immediately after taking his degree in 1960, Roberto entered the Canadian Foreign Service. Following one overseas posting to Belgrade, he moved to a trade policy post in Industry, Trade & Commerce, heading the GATT division from 1967 to 1970. Between 1971 and 1973, he became deeply involved in the study of foreign direct investment in Canada – one of the hot issues of the day – and contributed to the Gray Report which led to the creation of the Foreign Investment Review Agency. That period of intense work earned him a sabbatical year at St. John's College, Cambridge, where he pursued studies on related topics. On his return, he coordinated a number of special policy reviews in Treasury Board and the Privy Council. That work brought him to Assistant Deputy Minister positions in the Privy Council (1978-84) and the Ministry of State for Science & Technology (1984-88). Then, from 1988 to 1992, he was responsible for Science & Technology in Industry, Trade and Commerce. When he took responsibility for that sector, one of his friends remarked that he would surely do splendidly, but given his wide interests why not add Poetry and Music?

In truth, Roberto Gualtieri's life was never confined to his professional roles in government or later in business. He believed in, practised, and enjoyed the good life: the riches and stimulation of the arts, the pleasures of cycling, skiing, trekking and travel, the art and science of making and sampling wine (and the rewards of doing so), and, best of all, good company. In retirement, he remained active in these, in philanthropy, and in the discussion of public policy, having advised Liberal and Conservative ministers in a variety of fields for over 15 years. Not all the developments in government during those years pleased him. He thought the centralization of power and control in the Privy Council Office during that era had done a disservice to Canada's parliamentary government. The trends in government since 2007 which have arbitrarily narrowed options and constricted debate alarmed him even more and brought him out to more than one public protest in his retirement years.

Roberto Gualtieri's commitment to good government in Canada was strong, but he also pursued outside interests. Among other things, he served as President of the Canadian Association of Rhodes Scholars from 1989 to 1991. He later acted as International Coordinator of the Council of Ministers in Bosnia-Herzegovina (1998-99) where he revived some of the Serbo-Croat he had learned for his first overseas assignment almost four decades earlier. He was also a stalwart of the Green Door Gang – friends drawn mainly from his own generation – which meets periodically to dissect the past and present, both critically and humorously.

Roberto faced with courage and equanimity the trials of declining health in his final months, and the prospect of his own demise. Lovingly cared for by Margot (née Peters), his wife of 50 years and other members of the family, he died at home on 20 April 2014, leaving in addition to Margot, his children Eric (Linzi), Inger, and Dominic (Dasha), and five grandchildren. He will be well remembered by those who worked, enjoyed life, and laughed at the world's follies with him.



Bernard (Bernie) Adell Alberta & Wadham 1961

1939-2014

Died peacefully of natural causes on July 24, 2014, in Sasebo, Japan, while visiting his youngest daughter and her family. Beloved father of Simon Adell, Rebecca Adell MacNeely (Paul) and Elena Adell Smith (Kyle), and beloved step-father of Nathan Baron (Alison) and Eric Baron (Jillian). Also dearest friend of Jochebed Katan. Born in Edmonton, Alberta, in 1939, Bernie attended the University of Alberta and subsequently Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar. From 1964 until his death Bernie was an integral member of the Law Faculty of Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario, in the area of labor and employment law, serving as its Dean from 1977 to 1982. His work as a professor of law, labor arbitrator and scholar took him around the world throughout his career and his contributions to his field of study were extraordinary. He was also an avid hiker, climber and skier and a long-time supporter of Frontenac Park, one of his most loved places in the vicinity of Kingston. Bernie will be sadly missed by his family, colleagues and friends in all parts of the world.

> Obituary published from the <u>Globe and Mail</u> Picture from <u>Queen's University</u>

CARS Membership Renewal for 2014-2015

If you would like to renew your membership online, please go to: <u>http://tinyurl.com/CARSRenewal2014</u>

To renew your membership by post, please use this form.

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Oxford College:	
Year of Matriculation:	_
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Please list information you would like to be included in the Newsletter's *Celebrations* Section. *For example, engagements, weddings, births, and any other pieces of good news.*

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