



A Year in Review of 2010-2011

University of Lethbridge Students' Union

General Assembly of 2010-2011

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VP Academic

Keith McLaughlin



Executive Council at their finest



VP Internal
Nathan McCowan



President
Taz Kassam

VP Operations & Finance
Allan Hall



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Welcome

Introduction

Taz Kassam



President's Address

The University of Lethbridge Students' Union (ULSU) is an organization that exists to serve the interests of undergraduate students in Lethbridge, as well as our satellite campuses in Edmonton and Calgary. Within these pages, you will find a great deal of information with respect to a variety of events, interesting statistics and fun anecdotes from the 2010-2011 term.

Certainly, the ULSU has a great deal to be proud of and none of that can be recognized without the acknowledgment of the wonderful staff and council that have helped lead this organization to success. A great deal of work has been accomplished throughout the year, and although it may be difficult to sum up an entire year into a few paragraphs, it is worthy to note that despite challenges, the ULSU was still able to excel. From introducing new events, such as Meltdown, to informing the government on key post-secondary issues, to passing the fee increase referendum, to ensuring the sustainability of the ULSU for years to come, a great deal of this year's achievements could not have been done without all of you!

On behalf of the Students' Union, we would like to thank everyone who contributed to this year's successes. The 2010-2011 General Assembly was an excellent governing body and their dedication, commitment and forthright attitude were greatly appreciated. To the community members who have supported our organization from its inception and who continue to support the efforts of our students, we value this positive relationship and hope this continues for years to come. To the staff, thank you for being so positive and supportive – without you, this organization would not be what it is. To the students, thank you for supporting the ULSU and our endeavors – without you, there would be no organization.

I could not have asked for a better team of people to work with and I am deeply humbled by this experience. A great foundation has been built by previous years' council members and it is important that future years continue this process to ensure the ULSU is always working dutifully and diligently at serving our students. Enjoy the 2010-2011 Year in Review! *Written by Taz Kassam – 5th year B.A./B. Mgt – Economics and Marketing major*

Taz Kassam
Tyrell DaSilva



Taz Kassam



How it Began

Once the election results were in, the incoming General Assembly members were invited to join the outgoing members and numerous other stakeholders from the University community to enjoy the annual Recognition Dinner. This dinner was to thank individuals for their hard work over the year, and to welcome the incoming Council. Everyone enjoyed the evening which also gave them the opportunity to meet various stakeholders that they would be working with in the up-coming year.

The incoming and outgoing members also went on a weekend retreat to Waterton National Park. This included important workshops to learn more about the Students' Union, how it operates, and what the new General Assembly members could expect for the upcoming year. Presentations were given on a brief history of the Students' Union, the budget, legislation, the Council of



Jeremy Passes Nordie to Taz
Taz Kassam, Jeremy Girard

Alberta University Students (CAUS), and the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA). Everyone had a chance to ask questions, where they developed some of their initiatives and goals for the upcoming year. This retreat provided an amazing experience for the incoming General Assembly members where they developed bonds with the individuals they would be working closely with throughout the year. This was crucial, because cooperation and collaboration between members of the General



Changeover Retreat - Waterton National Park

Top Row - Left to Right: Shane Groarke, Cayley Rauw, Alex Massé, Alecia Fraser, Tyrell DaSilva, Zack Moline, Middle Row: Stephanie Kiraly, Andrew Williams, Kyle Hammond, Jeremy Girard, Cole Schneider, Lisa Rodych, Bottom Row: Keith McLaughlin, Taz Kassam, Nathan McCowan, Allan Hall.

Assembly allows the Students' Union to provide the best possible experiences for the students.

After these two events, and some informal meet and greets, the incoming General Assembly members were prepared to represent their fellow students for the 2010-2011 school year. Once the academic year began, the experiences working with the Students' Union were very different, but much better, than expected. *Written by Lisa Rodych - 5th year B.Sc Mathematics and B.Mgt Marketing*



Student Council & Staff

General Assembly

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Taz Kassam
President



Keith McLaughlin
VP Academic



Allan Hall
VP Operations & Finance



Nathan McCowan
VP Internal Affairs



Eric Hawthorne
Board of Governors Rep



Dominic Mudiayi
International Rep



Armin Escher
Education Rep



Ryan Phillips
Health Sciences Rep



Kyle Hammond
Residence Rep



Rachelle Thompson
Fine Arts Rep



Jamie Patrick
Management Rep

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Stephanie Kiraly
Edmonton Campus Rep

Allan Tam
Calgary Campus Rep

Student Council & Staff



Andrew Williams
Arts & Science Rep



Zack Moline
Arts & Science Rep



Cole Schneider
Arts & Science Rep



Melodie Little Bear
First Nations, Métis & Inuit Rep



Lisa Rodych
Arts & Science Rep



Shane Groarke
Arts & Science Rep



Tyrell DaSilva
Arts & Science Rep



Jon Oxley - Chair of the
General Assembly

Commissioners

Commissioner to the President - Zack Moline

Commissioner to the VP Academic - Tyrell DaSilva

Commissioner to the VP Internal - Lisa Rodych

Commissioner to the VP Operations & Finance - Cole Schneider



Student Council & Staff

Incoming and Permanent Staff



Jenna Nahnybida

Incoming Staff

Jenna Nahnybida - Administrative Assistant

Born in Saskatchewan but raised in Red Deer, Jenna moved to Lethbridge in 2005 to pursue studies in the field of marketing. After finishing her Business Diploma at the Lethbridge College, she welcomed her son into the world and took time to care for him while completing her Marketing Degree through the University of Athabasca. Upon completing this program Jenna took a position serving in the restaurant at the Lethbridge Lodge and was soon promoted to a Sales and Catering Coordinator where she worked for two years before being hired as the Administrative Assistant for the University of Lethbridge Students' Union.

Abby Groenenboom



Tracy Merrifield, Jenna Nahnybida, Shelley Tuff

Permanent Staff

General Manager - *Cheri Pokarney*
Bookkeeper/Service Centre Manager - *Randy Ockerman*
Operations Coordinator - *Tracy Merrifield*
Executive Assistant - *Susan Curtis*
Administrative Assistant - *Jenna Nahnybida*
Communications Coordinator - *Abby Groenenboom*
Health Plan Administrator - *Shelley Tuff*
The Zoo Manager - *Ben Giesbrecht*
Kitchen Supervisor - *Gary Ouellette*



Edmonton Campus Visits

On July 16, 2010 I travelled to Edmonton, AB to visit our University of Lethbridge Edmonton Campus Representative, Stephanie Kiraly. There I had the opportunity to meet with the staff of the Students' Union, tour classrooms, view the common student spaces, and visit the Students' Union representative office. Unfortunately, the room was not in the best of shape insofar as it was lacking identification, a functioning telephone and a computer, among other things. This information was taken back to the main campus and a second trip was made to install a new computer, a printer and other office necessities. In addition, a Students' Union sign was also installed. These additions and improvements have aided in greater productivity, and have allowed for a more presentable atmosphere where students not only feel encouraged, but also welcomed to stop in for a visit. *Written by Taz Kassam - 5th year B.A./B. Mgt. with an Economics and Marketing major*

Calgary Campus Visits

In January 2011, ULSU President Taz Kassam and Vice-President Academic Keith McLaughlin visited the University of Lethbridge's Calgary Campus located at Bow Valley College. During this visit the ULSU representatives listened to concerns from the students at the Calgary Campus. This gave us the opportunity to better inform them of ULSU programs and services. *Written by Keith McLaughlin - 5th year Political Science major*



*University of Lethbridge Building
Edmonton, AB*



Events & Activities

Fresh Fest

Zack Moline, Eric Hawthorne,
Allan Hall and students



Tyrell DaSilva



Students gather for
up-coming entertainment

“This year’s Fresh Fest was the biggest and best yet, featuring **more** students, **more** swag, **more** fun, and the introduction of The Grove!”



After members of the ULSU Fresh Fest Organizing Committee lobbied the University Administration and department heads, the ULSU approved the funding for the Grove development. The creation of this new green space on campus was put onto the fast track, and it proved to be the ideal place to host Fresh Fest 2010.

Fresh U Jamboree was the crown jewel of Fresh Fest with 1300 students in attendance. We set up two stages on the Grove for 10 performing bands which offered fresh times for all. Fresh Fest as an entire package sold out for the third year in a row with over 450 participants. This was due to support from Recruitment and Student Life, as well as the Organization of Residence Students demonstrating the value that our University community sees in Fresh Fest. With unfortunate weather on the evening of the outdoor movie event, as well as the slip ‘n slide, there were some hiccups and changes in the location of these events, but both events were still well attended.

Fresh Fest has continued to bring out the best in our student community, engaging and introducing new students, while encouraging returning students to become involved and passionate about their campus and culture. With growing support from the University community as well as the City of Lethbridge, next year’s Fresh Fest promises to be even bigger and better. Fresh Fest has become a unique part of the University of Lethbridge culture and a highly anticipated event of both new and returning students. Fresh Fest has been and will continue to be a great opportunity to meet new people and to develop new friendships. *Written by Tyrell DaSilva - 4th year combined, B.A. Philosophy, B. Mgt. Marketing*

Events & Activities

Thank You
Fresh Fest 2010
Sponsors



Fresh Fest Activities

- 360°
- Backstreet West
- Beans and Books
- Big Johns
- Bigrock Brewery
- Blue Print Entertainment
- BMO
- BOB Headquarters
- Castle Mountain
- Cherry Ice Tanning Studio
- Coke
- Community Links
- Dave Copithorne
- deJourdan's Photography
- Don't Be A Tosser
- Merle Norman
- Earls
- Eastside Marios
- Essies
- Esquires
- Firestone
- Future Shop
- Galaxy Cinema
- Galaxy Bowling
- HIV connection
- HMV
- Infamous Board Shop
- KFC
- Lethbridge Health Unit
- Lethbridge Lodge
- Marble Slab
- Mars
- Mocha Cabana
- Old Dutch
- One Tooth
- Osho's
- Pasta Fresco
- Panago
- Park Place Mall
- Penny Coffee House
- Pita Pit
- Pizza 73
- Quizno's
- Ric's Grill
- Republik
- Scores Thirst & Grill North
- Servus Credit Union
- Shark Club
- Slice Bar & Grill
- Staples
- Starbucks
- Studio 54
- Taco Bell
- Telus
- The Scene
- Tony Roma's
- Tourist Information Centre
- U of L Athletics
- Yo-Yo's



Events & Activities

Event List



Ender Bender



Hokkai Gakuen Exchange



Daniel Wesley - Meltdown

- Hokki Gakuen Exchange Dinner - *August 2010*
- Fresh Fest - *September 2010*
- Club Rush Week - *September 2010*
- IVCF Used Book Sale - *September 2010*
- ULSU By-election - *September 2010*
- WACKO Activities & Concert - *September 2010*
- Mayoral Candidates Forum - *September & October 2010*
- Flames Games - *October 2010 - April 2011*
- Movie in the Zoo - *October 2010*
- Peter Mansbridge Lecture - *October 2010*
- 3rd Annual John Gill Memorial Run - *October 2010*
- Humans vs. Zombies - *October 2010*
- Imaginus Fine Print & Poster Sale - *October 2010 & January 2011*
- Trick or Eat Food Drive - *October 2010*
- Halloween Cabaret - *October 2010*
- Volunteer Fair - *November 2010*
- Trailer Park Boys - *November 2010*
- Grad Photos by deJourdan's - *November 2010 & February 2011*
- Open Mic Night in the Zoo - *November 2010 - April 2011*
- Campus Food Drive - *November - December 2010*
- Ender Bender Cabaret - *December 2010*
- IVCF Used Book Sale - *January 2011*
- Club Rush Week - *January 2010*
- Canada's Role in the Trial of Omar Khadr - Lecture - *January 2010*
- Global Justice Student Speaker Challenge - *January - March 2011*
- Meltdown - *January 2011*
- ULSU General Election - *February - March 2011*
- ULSU Referendum - *February - March 2011*
- SACPA on Campus, Speaker Series - *February 2011*
- ULSU Teaching Excellence Award - *February 2011*
- ULSU/EUS Fashion Drive & Used Clothing Sale - *March 2011*



- Big Rock Beer Tasting in the Zoo - *March 2011*
- "The Union" Film Screening - *March 2011*
- ULSU Karaoke Shenanigans Cabaret - *March 2011*
- Volunteer Tax Program - *March – April 2011*
- Last Lecture Speaker Series - *April 2011*
- Last Class Bash - *April 2011*

Notable Social Events

WACKO

WACKO featured free fun and games for participants during the day, and a concert by Whale Tooth at night to cap off the event.

Open Mic Night

Open Mic Night in the Zoo featured talent from U of L students. The event started in November and was such a success that it continued throughout the academic year.

Humans vs Zombies

Zombies first invaded the U of L campus in October and again in April. This campus-wide game of tag saw humans fighting for survival against Zombies, while trying to complete daily missions.

Trailer Park Boys

Randy and Mr. Lahey from the Canadian television show, Trailer Park Boys, delivered hilarious stand up comedy for U of L students.

Meltdown

Meltdown was designed to be a welcome back event for students in the Spring semester. The two day event featured a Mission Meltdown party and a concert in the Zoo. Daniel Wesley, Broken Host and Bent 8 entertained students during the event.

WACKO



Open Mic Night



Humans vs Zombies



Events & Activities

Notable Academic Events



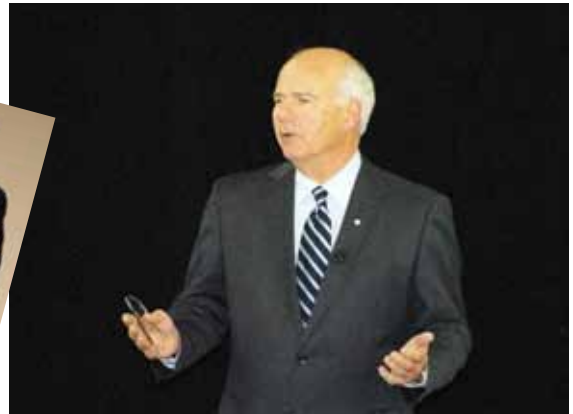
Paul Viminiz



Dayna Daniels



Bruce Thurston



Peter Mansbridge

“The ULSU strives to provide engaging and thought provoking academic events to improve the out-of-classroom academic experience for its students.”

The Last Lecture

In the spring of 2011, the ULSU continued a growing tradition by hosting the fourth annual Last Lecture series in the University Theatre. The Last Lecture is an event that allows three distinguished and popular U of L professors the opportunity to share their life's wisdom with students beyond the classroom. Professors Bruce Thurston - Management, Paul Viminiz - Philosophy, and Dayna Daniels - Women's Studies participated in this year's Last Lecture. Each spoke to a packed university theatre about; life, love, war, vulnerability - just to name a few. The Last

Lecture was also the venue for the presentation of the first ever ULSU Teaching Excellence Awards. The awards were presented to three U of L professors who were nominated and selected by students. The winners were Hans-Joachim Wieden - Chemistry and Biochemistry, Jay Gamble - English, and Leslie Brown - Kinesiology. *Written by Keith McLaughlin - 5th year Political Science major*

Peter Mansbridge

In the fall of 2010, the ULSU presented the famed CBC News anchor and correspondent Peter Mansbridge to the University of Lethbridge community. Tickets were sold for \$1 to students and \$5 to the community with all proceeds going to the ULSU Food Bank. Over \$3000 was raised to help the ULSU purchase food for students in need. Peter Mansbridge spoke about what it means to be Canadian in a changing world and took questions from the audience. The event was one of the most successful academic events in ULSU history in terms of attendance, as over 700 students, faculty, and community members attended the event. *Written by Keith McLaughlin - 5th year Political Science major*



SACPA on Campus

In 2008 the ULSU formed a partnership with the Southern Alberta Council on Public Affairs (SACPA), the Lethbridge Public Interest Research Group (LPIRG), and the University of Lethbridge. Together these groups constitute SACPA on Campus, an organization that presents an array of academic events throughout the year. Some notable SACPA on Campus events and initiatives included Dennis Edney and the Student Speaker Challenge. *Written by Keith McLaughlin - 5th year Political Science major*



Nathan McCowan, Allan Hall, Peter Mansbridge, Taz Kassam, Cole Schneider, Ryan Phillips

Dennis Edney

In January 2011, SACPA on Campus presented Dennis Edney, the Edmonton based lawyer for Omar Khadr, the Canadian teenager who was captured in Afghanistan later to be tortured and held in the Guantanamo Bay prison for nine years (and counting). The event was entitled "You Don't Like the Truth: The Omar Khadr Story". During the lecture Dennis Edney recounted the trials and tribulations of Omar Khadr's time in American custody, and his foray into the biased world of US military tribunals. *Written by Keith McLaughlin - 5th year Political Science major*



Dennis Edney

Student Speaker Challenge

SACPA on Campus hosted their annual Student Speaker Challenge where eight students competed in a series of one on one speech competitions about a particular question. After every match, one student moved on to a subsequent round and after two months of competing speeches and theses, a winning student was selected by a panel of judges in the final round. The winner of the Student Speaker Challenge won a \$500 cash prize. "What is global justice and how can it be achieved", was the topic for the 2011 Student Speaker Challenge. Thomas Fox, an Environmental Science major placed first in the competition and Channing Stenhouse, a Music major, placed second. *Written by Keith McLaughlin - 5th year Political Science major*



Winner of the Student Speaker Challenge and the Student of the Year Award
Thomas Fox



Events & Activities

Campus Community Initiatives

John Gill Memorial Run
*Taz Kassam, Zack Moline,
Keith McLaughlin*



Jump the Line

On June 11th and 12th, University Student Life and Recruitment hosted an annual event called Jump the Line. High School students who were contemplating which university to attend were invited to the University of Lethbridge for a tour of the campus, and to visit an informational booth fair. The booth fair gave a preview of the various services the University has to offer. The University of Lethbridge Students' Union had a booth set up and was given the chance to speak with many prospective students about the role of the ULSU and benefits of attending this university. *Written by Nathan McCowan, 5th year - Bachelors of Management, Finance major*



Chill'n for Charity
*Nathan McCowan,
Allan Hall*

Power of 25 Fundraising - Faculty of Management

In recognition of the Faculty of Management's 25th anniversary, University alumni started a unique initiative in 2007. This initiative was to recruit 25 Management alumni who would donate a minimum of \$25,000 each to support the construction of Markin Hall – the new Management and Health Science building.

In its first two years, the project gained the support of 17 alumni, and on September 24, 2010, I attended the Power of 25 Campaign Dinner, which recognized the success of this initiative. Enthusiasm continued to grow and since then eight more alumni have committed to the project, bringing the total to 25. In the end, more than \$2 million was raised, including matching dollars and additional contributions from the participants.

This idea started as a vision and a goal to assemble a group of like-minded individuals to support a capital campaign, but it exceeded even the expectations of those involved. In uniting a group of successful alumni who share the same passion, appreciation and pride for the University of Lethbridge as our students do, the University created an additional building and support services for its students. *Written by Taz Kassam - 5th year B.A./B. Mgt with a Economics and Marketing major*

Poverty Rally

*Leyland Bradley, Alex Masse, Taz
Kassam, Nathan McCowan, Allan Hall*



ORS/ULSU Meet & Greet

On August 28, 2010 VP Academic, Keith McLaughlin, VP Operations and Finance, Allan Hall, VP Internal Affairs, Nathan McCowan and I were part of a Meet 'n Greet with the Organization of Residence Students (ORS). We spoke with resident assistants and other members of ORS and Housing Services on the importance of the ULSU, the services they provide, and how the ULSU can improve the quality of student life.

This was a great opportunity for both organizations to have a healthy discussion on the benefits of continuing their teamwork atmosphere and how they could maintain and build upon their current relationship. Further, it allowed for questions to be asked by both organizations, as well as discussions on vacant ULSU council positions. *Written by Taz Kassam - 5th year B.A./B. Mgt with a Economics and Marketing major*

Convocation Ceremony

I had the opportunity to kick-off the month of June by participating in the Convocation ceremonies for the class of 2009-2010. This was a two day event consisting of four ceremonies. There were over 1000 graduates and many happy families. Jodie Black, Convocation Coordinator, and her team, did a fantastic job representing the University of Lethbridge and encouraging the success of each student.

A farewell video was made for President-emeritus, Dr. Bill Cade, which was very well received. After a decade at the University of Lethbridge, it was unfortunate to see Dr. Cade leave, however, we are confident that he and his wife, Elsa, and their family will be successful in their future endeavours. The ULSU would like to extend a big "Thank You" to Dr. Cade and his family for the work they have done for the ULSU and wish them nothing but the best for the future. *Written by Taz Kassam - 5th year B.A./B. Mgt - Economics and Marketing major*

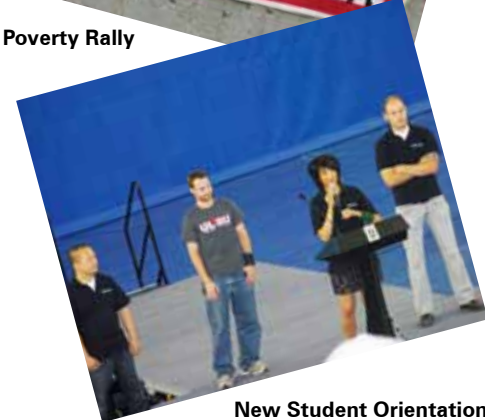
New Student Orientation Booth Fair

During the Fall and Spring New Student Orientation (NSO), the ULSU was actively engaging new members by introducing them to our many Students' Union services. *Written by Keith McLaughlin - 5th year Political Science major*

Markin Hall Opening
Taz Kassam



Poverty Rally



New Student Orientation
*Allan Hall, Nathan McCowan,
Taz Kassam, Keith McLaughlin*



Events & Activities

Relay for Life

Allan Hall, Nathan McCowan,
Taz Kassam, students



ORS Rez Wars: Coulee Clean Up

On Sunday, September 26, 2010, VP Operations and Finance, Allan Hall, VP Academic, Keith McLaughlin, and I took part in the annual Rez Wars: Coulee Cleanup competition. Rez Wars was a yearlong initiative that included several competitions. After each competition the winning team received points and the team with the most points at the end of the year was deemed the winner. In this event, the team who collected the most garbage received the points. Coulee Clean-up was a competition between different floors of on-campus residence in an effort to promote pride within the University community, as well as a sense of unity among the groups. The goal of this event was to pick up as much garbage in the coulees as possible. This year's clean-up was extremely successful with high student involvement. This was a great way for Council to participate in an ORS activity and meet new students. *Written by Taz Kassam - 5th year B.A./B. Mgt., with an Economics and Marketing major*



Presidential Installation

Nathan McCowan, Allan
Hall, Keith McLaughlin

Presidential Installation

On October 15, 2010, President Michael Mahon was installed as the sixth President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Lethbridge. This was a wonderful celebration to be a part of as Dr. Mahon relayed the "student centered" vision. The Presidential speech also included maintaining a sense of community, both on and off campus, as well as building upon this commitment in a meaningful way by providing students with a personal attachment to the University of Lethbridge within their first year.

Dr. Mahon was a Dean of Physical Education at the University of Alberta and was recommended by the previous years' committee for his outstanding contribution to community endeavours, outstanding academic achievements, and his student-oriented demeanour.

Congratulations to Dr. Mahon and his wife, Maureen Mahon, in the appointment. The ULSU has thoroughly enjoyed working with Dr. Mahon over the past year and offer good wishes for the future. *Written by Taz Kassam - 5th year B.A./B. Mgt., with an Economics and Marketing major*

Presidential Installation
Taz Kassam



In the Lethbridge Community



Project Paintbrush
Nathan McCowan

Project Paintbrush

On August 20, 2010, the Executive Council donated time to Volunteer Lethbridge: Project Paintbrush. This event was done in an attempt to interact and spend some time away from the office, as well as help our community members. The project included painting the exterior of an elderly woman's home, including the trim, fence, doors, shed and garage. This was an excellent project that Volunteer Lethbridge has initiated throughout the summer months. All together, the organization has renovated eight homes for those who are physically and/or financially unable to maintain the exterior of their homes.

The highlight of that afternoon was witnessing how grateful the homeowner was after looking at the days accomplishments. It was pretty amazing how something so simple would result in such appreciation. As a team, we strengthened our relationship and it was a great way to spend some time away from the office.

Written by Taz Kassam - 5th year B.A./B. Mgt, with an Economics and Marketing major

Whoop Up Days Dunk Tank

On August 28, 2010, University of Lethbridge President, Mike Mahon and I took part in the Whoop Up Days Dunk Tank for Volunteerism! This was a great way to raise awareness for Volunteer Lethbridge and raise money for the organization. Volunteer Lethbridge is an organization that serves volunteers and provides different avenues for community members and students to give back. A number of community members came out in support of the organization. Over the course of three days, the dunk tank event raised close to \$3000.

Written by Taz Kassam - 5th year B.A./B. Mgt, with an Economics and Marketing major



Project Paintbrush
Taz Kassam



Project Paintbrush
Keith McLaughlin, Allan Hall



Events & Activities

Mayoral Forum
Keith McLaughlin



Mayoral Forum

On September 30, 2010, the ULSU hosted a Mayoral Candidates Forum in the University Hall Atrium. Over 200 people attended this event. The purpose of the forum was for the six mayoral candidates to relay their platforms to the campus community and answer any questions from our students, faculty and staff. Overall, this was a successful event as each candidate relayed their platforms to the University of Lethbridge and the community. The forum lasted approximately two hours and was videotaped by our ULSU Applied Study student for those students who were unable to attend. *Written by Taz Kassam - 5th year B.A./B. Mgt, with an Economics and Marketing major*



Mayoral Forum
Candidates

Municipal Shuttle for the Election

In an attempt to allow for more efficient access on voting day, the ULSU offered a volunteer shuttle service. The program allowed for students to be shuttled to and from City Hall so they could cast their votes in the election. Only a handful of students participated in the service but it was great to see such an active group wanting to take part in their right to vote. *Written by Taz Kassam - 5th year B.A./B. Mgt, with an Economics and Marketing major*

Volunteer Fair 2010

The ULSU hosted the second Volunteer Fair on November 4, 2010. The Volunteer Fair was put together by the ULSU in order to raise awareness of various organizations located in and around Lethbridge. There were approximately 25 participating organizations and a reasonable amount of student attendance. It would be great to see this event take place each year, perhaps tied alongside the September Career Fair. *Written by Taz Kassam - 5th year B.A./B. Mgt, with an Economics and Marketing major*



Volunteer Fair
Taz Kassam



CKXU Radio Promo

In 2010-2011, the ULSU's VP Internal Nathan McCowan, and VP Academic Keith McLaughlin, took to the airwaves to promote upcoming ULSU events and initiatives on CKXU 88.3. The two VP's paired up numerous times in often comedic fashion to promote events like Fresh Fest, the John Gill Memorial Run, and the ULSU Elections among others.

Written by Keith McLaughlin - 5th year Political Science major

Electronic Media

The use of electronic media for advertising events and creating awareness of student issues increased in the 2010-2011 academic year. The continued use of the ULSU Events Facebook group created in the previous academic year to advertise events has been as successful, if not more, as in its inaugural year of use. It has served its purpose to inform many students of services and events put on by the Students' Union with some events showing more than 200 attendees and few showing below 100.

Also notable is the creation of ULSU's own Vimeo account. Videos detailing the roles and responsibility of each Executive Council member and the Mayoral Candidates Forum have been a unique way of distributing information about the ULSU.

The ULSU previously attempted to create an account on the popular video viewing site YouTube in the Fall of 2007 with their first video receiving over 6,000 views in the years since then, but little was done with this site since the first video was posted in October of 2007. Very few viewers have been drawn to the page in the years following with the next videos being posted in March of 2009, receiving 209 views.

While some of the videos on Vimeo were not viewed as much as we may have hoped this year, the simple fact that this account has been regularly updated with new and informative videos is a step in the right direction for the Students' Union and gives next year's council a platform on which to build a stronger online presence. *Written by Andrew Williams, 4th year Physics major*



Arts & Science Rep
Andrew Williams



Events & Activities

Media Tracking

DATE	SUBJECT	MEDIA OUTLET
Aug. 3, 2010	ULSU President	Lethbridge Herald
Sept. 11, 2010	Fresh Fest	CTV, Meliorist
Sept. 14, 2010	Club Rush Week	Lethbridge Herald
Sept. 21, 2010	Mayoral Candidates Forum	Lethbridge Herald
Sept. 30, 2010	Mayoral Candidates Forum	CTV
Oct. 1, 2010	Mayoral Candidates Forum	Lethbridge Herald
Oct. 14, 2010	John Gill Memorial Run	Lethbridge Herald
Oct. 20, 2010	Peter Mansbridge	Lethbridge Herald, Shaw TV, CJOC the Lounge
Oct. 22, 2010	John Gill Memorial Run	Global TV, CTV
Oct. 27-28, 2010	Humans vs. Zombies	CTV, Shaw TV
Nov. 4, 2010	Volunteer Fair	B93, CTV
Dec. 7, 2010	Non-Instructional Fees	Lethbridge Herald
Jan. 11, 2011	SACPA on Campus	Lethbridge Herald
Jan. 12, 2011	Club Rush Week	Lethbridge Herald
Mar. 2, 2011	ULSU/EUS Fashion Drive Clothing Sale	Lethbridge Herald, CTV, Shaw TV



Notable Initiatives

Building & Grounds

Zoo Improvements

This year saw quite a few changes in the ballrooms, some more noticeable than others, but all were equally important. New blinds were installed in all three ballrooms, which are considerably easier to use than the previous ones. New carpet was installed in the ballrooms as well, which looks professional and is much more durable than the previous carpet. The Point of Sale System in the Zoo was replaced with a more current version, which has improved the ability for staff to conduct business. Lastly, a new mural was painted over the summer, which gave the Zoo a new look. *Written by Nathan McCowan, 5th year - Bachelors of Management, Finance major*



The Zoo Mural

The Zoo



The Grove

*Shawn Demoline,
Mike Solberg,
Tyrell DaSilva,
Zack Moline*



The Grove

Shawn Demoline, Zach Moline

The Grove

In May 2010, the ULSU put forward a capital project proposal to be approved by the University of Lethbridge and ULSU General Assembly. This project involved turning the old tennis court area east of Markin Hall into a newly developed green space. Among other purposes, the site would serve as a new spot for the 2010 Fresh U Jamboree. It was imperative for Council to follow through on this initiative and to ensure that all stakeholders involved with the planning and executing process were on board. The new green space would also aid in mitigating the drawbacks of hosting a concert on campus; for example, the noise would be contained, the space would provide a safe area for students to enjoy a live concert and overall, serve as an aesthetically pleasing area to showcase a beautiful part of campus. The cost of the project was \$22, 000 and the funding came from the Quality Initiatives Program (QIP). We would like to extend a sincere thank you to the University, the ULSU General Assembly and staff for aiding in the success of this initiative. *Written by Taz Kassam - 5th year B.A./B. Mgt, with an Economics and Marketing major*



Notable Initiatives

Service & Programs



Clothing Drive
Drop-off Box

ULSU-EUS Fashion Drive

The ULSU/EUS Fashion Drive was a slightly altered form of the Fashion & Food Drive organized by Sara Ritchie (Education Rep 2009-2010) in the fall semester of 2009. For two weeks, clothing was collected at various locations around campus and then it was sorted and sold for under \$5 to raise money for the ULSU Emerging Teacher Award. This \$500 scholarship was for education students in their last year of study who were often too busy teaching full time to have a part-time job and support themselves. At the end of the day, we raised \$521 which will allow this scholarship to be given out for an additional year as it is funded solely by donations.



Clothing Sale
ULSU Ballroom A

This event would not have been possible without the help of the ULSU staff with organization and advertising this event. The Education Undergraduate Society and the ULSU General Assembly also contributed by providing volunteers to help out during the collection, sorting and selling of clothes.



Clothing Sale
ULSU Ballroom A

The remainder of the clothing was donated to the Salvation Army and the Catholic Charities Clothing Bank here in Lethbridge. I found this event to be a great success as we reached our goal of \$500, we gave students a chance to purchase clothing for an extremely reasonable price, and we helped out our community as a whole. As much work as it was, I am very happy with the outcome and I hope that future councils will undertake similar endeavours. *Written by Armin Escher, 4th year B.Sc./B.Ed. Science Education*



Compost Program

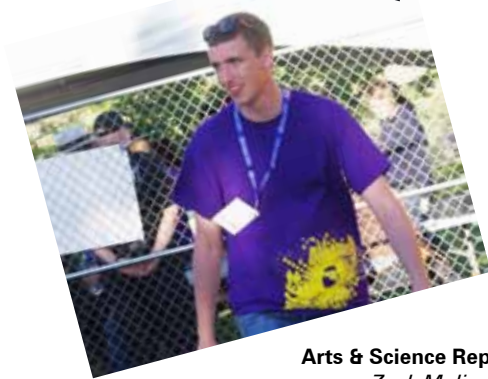
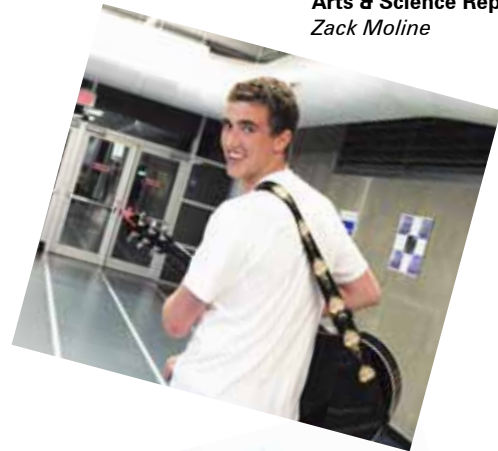
Beginning in the fall semester of 2010 the Campus Compost Program began its first wave of expansion. After reaching an agreement with Caretaking, the ULSU Food Court vendors and the Zoo, we began composting. Under the agreed upon system, fruits, vegetables, tea bags, and coffee grinds are all compostable, while other materials such as meat, egg shells, and sauces are not. They were given their own compost bins and were responsible for emptying them on a daily basis into the Garbage Room on level two of the Students' Union Building. From the Garbage Room, Caretaking transported the compost to the open pile compost pit in the Boneyard on the southern end of campus. The finished compost was used by Facilities for various projects around campus.

After this initial expansion, the project hit a roadblock; it needed more support and coordination from the University before being able to expand. In order to secure this, a new and revised campus composting proposal was drawn up and presented to members of the U of L Senior Administration. From the proposal, a meeting was scheduled between representatives from the ULSU, Senior Administration, Caretaking, Housing, and Sodexo to discuss the future of composting on campus. The meeting was ultimately a success as Tim Hortons soon began composting, and hard commitments were received to begin expanding into Residence. Caretaking will be looking into the feasibility of composting in lunch rooms across campus.

After a follow up meeting between the ULSU, Housing and ORS, plans were finalized for the expansion of composting into Residence with a pilot project in Piikani House. The ULSU provided the bins and promotional materials, ORS provided support through different incentives and encouragement from RA's. Finally, Housing and Caretaking has agreed to ensure that the compost will make it from Residence to the Boneyard.

A QIP proposal has been put forward to purchase the bins and promotional materials needed to expand composting into Residence. Ideally, the stakeholders would like to see the current composting system established residence wide by the Fall of 2011. To date, the current system has been widely successful as the University vendors are diverting mass amounts of waste from the landfill, and Caretaking is having little trouble handling it. The ultimate goal of the composting project is to see a campus wide and fully participatory system. I am happy to say that the project is well on its way to reaching that goal. *Written by Zack Moline, 3rd Year Economics/Political Science double major*

Arts & Science Rep
Zack Moline



Arts & Science Rep
Zack Moline



Clubs

Club Affairs



VP Internal
Nathan McCowan

Club Report

This academic year reached a new high with over 70 ratified clubs. Beginning with Club Rush Week in September, clubs have remained strong throughout the year with many holding notable events. Such events as 5 Days for the Homeless, the Rotaract Silent Auction and PANiC sleeping in the Quincee, have raised funds and awareness for charitable causes. There were also many member oriented events such as Shred Nights being hosted by the Surf Club and the Rooted on Campus weekly prayer meetings. There is unfortunately not enough room to congratulate every club on their successes, but this year the club community was very strong.

Behind the scenes of clubs, there were also some changes for the ULSU legislation that was discussed during Clubs Council meetings. There was the generation of a ULSU Club De-ratification Policy and discussion on how to handle club absenteeism during Clubs Council meetings. These changes made it into the 2011-2012 legislation once approved by the General Assembly. This policy was written because of the sections in the legislation that cite circumstances in which a club could be de-ratified, but no protocol as to how this should be done. Clubs Council was consulted on ways to handle this and their comments were taken into consideration when drafting the policy. *Written by Nathan McCowan, 5th year - Bachelors of Management, Finance major*

Club of the Year

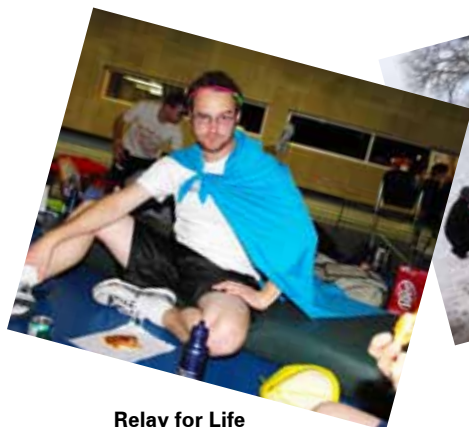
The PRIDE Centre, formally GALIA, won the 2010-2011 ULSU Club of the Year award. PRIDE Centre has been very active on campus, continually engaging students and the Lethbridge community with the intent to both inform and include. The second annual Outspoken event was put on by the PRIDE Centre in conjunction with GALA/LA. This event featured workshops, performers and speakers, which were all well received by the community. *Written by Nathan McCowan, 5th year - Bachelors of Management with a Finance major*



Relay for Life BBQ
Canadian Cancer Society Club

5 Days for the Homeless
Management Students' Society





Relay for Life
Canadian Cancer Society Club
Nathan McCowan



Snow Tunnel Fundraiser
PANiC



Relay for Life
Canadian Cancer Society Club
Allan Hall & student



Agricultural Students Society

Ratified Club List

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| 1 Agricultural Students Society | 25 Improv Club | 48 Photography Club |
| 2 Lethbridge Campus Accounting Club | 26 Inter Varsity Christian Fellowship | 49 Pre-Med Club |
| 3 Accounting Club - Edmonton | 27 Japanese Animation & Manga Society | 50 Pre-Vet Club |
| 4 Amnesty International | 28 Jazz Singers | 51 PRIDE Centre |
| 5 Association of Political Science | 29 KinPhyEds | 52 Pronghorn Field Hockey |
| 6 Campus Roots Cooperative Garden | 30 Latter Day Saints Students Assoc. | 53 Public Health Students Assoc. |
| 7 Canadian Cancer Society Club | 31 Lethbridge Students' for Life | 54 Right Brain Club |
| 8 Canadian Students for Sensible Drug Policy | 32 Liberal Association | 55 Rooted on Campus |
| 10 Car Club | 33 Literature Club | 56 Rotaract |
| 11 Chemistry & Biochem | 34 Management Students' Society | 57 Singer's Club |
| 12 Chess Club | 35 Medieval Club | 58 Sociology Club |
| 13 Climbing Club | 36 Mixed Curling Club | 59 Spanish Club |
| 14 Crochet & Knitting Club | 37 Model UN | 60 Student Skeptics Society |
| 15 Biology & Environmental Club | 38 Music Society | 61 Surf Club |
| 16 Education Undergraduate Society | 39 Musical Theatre Society | 62 Synthetic Biology of Lethbridge |
| 17 Film Club | 40 Muslim Students' Assoc. | 63 Table Top Games |
| 18 Fire Spinning Club | 41 Native American Student Assoc. | 64 Tech & Design Club |
| 19 French Club | 42 New Democrats | 65 Theatre Arts Society |
| 20 Global Drums | 43 New Media Students' Society | 66 Trolls Rugby Club |
| 21 Greek Life Club | 44 New Student Club | 67 Ultimate Club |
| 22 Headbangers Society | 45 Organization of Residence Students | 68 University Catholic Community |
| 23 Health Sciences Undergrad Assoc. | 46 PANiC | 69 Vegetarian Society |
| 24 History Undergraduate Society | 47 Philosophy Club | 70 Wind Orchestra Club |
| | | 71 Yoga Club Lethbridge |



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Committees



Executive Council

Keith McLaughlin, Allan Hall, Nathan McCowan, Taz Kassam

on a thorough review of ULSU service offerings and engagement strategies. The committee studied enduring challenges and future opportunities for the ULSU and in the end, developed a comprehensive strategic plan for the ULSU that will help the organization better serve its students in the future.

The SEC was co-chaired by VP Internal, Nathan McCowan and VP Academic, Keith McLaughlin. This committee was responsible for creating and planning new ULSU events, some of which included; Meltdown in January and a St. Patrick's Day Cabaret in March. *Written by Keith McLaughlin - 5th year Arts & Science with a Political Science major*

Importance of Student Representation on U of L Committees

Under bylaws set forth by the University, many committees require student representation. While any student can volunteer to sit on a committee, as elected members of the ULSU, each General Assembly member is obligated to sit on at least one. These committees are made up of professors, University Administration, and other stakeholders on campus. These committees are vital in the operation of the University. This is where advancements, changes, and, ultimately, the future of the University is decided.

It is very important for students to participate in this unique process as it is crucial in insuring that students' voices are being heard. By advocating and expressing the needs of students, student committee members can express ideas and concerns to the proper channels, which can effectively lead to a positive change.



Cole Schneider, Keith McLaughlin



Notable U of L Committee Activity

So for those who wish to express their belief in student advocacy, and want to take a proactive approach in bringing about change for the betterment of students, please check out the various committees which need student representation on the ULSU website, or contact the VP Academic, to see how you can get involved! *Written by Cole Schneider - 4th year Sociology major*

U of L Spirit Committee

The Enhancing Community and School Spirit Committee (ECSS) was formed with the intention of evaluating and improving the sense of community and school spirit that exists at the University of Lethbridge. This committee was composed of various members of the University of Lethbridge community, from staff to students.

The ECSS began working in September to determine the best way to evaluate different kinds of activities and events that were already occurring on campus that promoted school spirit. This discussion led to the realization that a basic understanding of what defined community and school spirit was required. The committee determined that in addition to more traditional concepts of community and school spirit, we needed to look at other areas such as how Fine Arts can build community or how school spirit can be built upon academic activities.

These discussions led to the formation of a survey that was distributed campus wide during exam period in the Fall semester. The survey was brief and sought to collect direct responses from students regarding their current experiences and thoughts about school spirit, their desires, and wishes for this campus. The goal of the survey was to determine how the University of Lethbridge as an organization could better promote the development of community school spirit.

Over 1000 responses were collected, and the results are still being compiled and analyzed for trends and significant patterns. As the committee continues to work through the significant volume of results, the goal was that at the end of the academic school year, a recommendation would be made to help the University of Lethbridge support and develop community and school spirit. *Written by Eric Hawthorne - 7th year English major*



School Spirit
U of L Students



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Chancellor Search Committee

Throughout the fall semester, the Chancellor Search Committee met on several occasions to review candidates. The role of Chancellor ensures proper representation of the University of Lethbridge to the public. In addition, the Chancellor chairs the Senate, confers all degrees, acts as an ex-officio member of the Board of Governors, and represents the University at ceremonial functions.

Dr. Shirley McClellan, an advocate for education, veteran Alberta politician and former Deputy Premier of the province of Alberta, was selected on February 5, 2011 by the University of Lethbridge Senate to serve as the Institution's 12th Chancellor. Chancellor-elect McClellan succeeds current Chancellor Richard Davidson, whose four year term will conclude on March 15, 2011.

Congratulations to Dr. Shirley McClellan in the appointment, and all the best from the University of Lethbridge Students' Union. *Written by Taz Kassam - 5th year B.A./B. Mgt., with an Economics and Marketing major*

Grade Appeals

VP Academic
Keith McLaughlin



Grade Appeals

Each year the ULSU VP Academic counsels students on various academic issues – notably grade appeals and academic processes. Under University of Lethbridge legislation, grade appeals can only commence if there is proper evidence to suggest that a student's grade has been "improperly determined."

"Improperly determined" grades can be a result of any number of specific factors, however formal appeals are rare as many cases are resolved without going to appeal, while others do not warrant grade appeal status.

The following is a breakdown of the number of inquiries about grade appeals from students per faculty. In 2010-2011, only seven cases out of 30 went to formal appeal stage.

- Arts and Science: 12
- Education: 4
- Fine Arts: 4
- Health Sciences: 5
- Management: 5

If students have questions or concerns about grades or academic policies and procedures, they are encouraged to visit the ULSU VP Academic for information and advice. *Written by Keith McLaughlin - 5th year Arts & Science with a Political Science major*

Conferences

Conference Trips

TYPE	DATE	PLACE
CASA Western Transition	May 2010	Calgary, AB
CAUS Changeover	May 2010	Canmore, AB
AMICCUS	May 2010	Niagra Falls, ON
AMICCUS	October 2010	Vancouver, BC
CASA Policy & Strategy Conference	June 2010	Charlottetown, PEI
COCA	June 2010	London, ON
Leaders Hall Conference	June 2010	Calgary, AB
CASA Lobby Con	November 2010	Ottawa, ON
CASA AGM	March 2011	Vancouver, BC
CAUS Lobby Con	March 2011	Edmonton, AB



CAUS



CASA



Advocacy

Provincial Lobby Group



Legislative Building in Edmonton, AB

CAUS Involvement

The ULSU, the University of Alberta Students' Union (UASU) and University of Calgary Students' Union (UCSU) make up the Council of Alberta University Students (CAUS) which represents the interests of over 70,000 students to the Alberta government. ULSU President, Taz Kassam and VP Academic, Keith McLaughlin served as the ULSU delegates to CAUS in 2010-2011. McLaughlin served as Vice-Chair of the organization. CAUS pursues initiatives that are designed to make post-secondary education in Alberta more affordable, accessible, and of a higher quality. CAUS advanced a number of priorities to the provincial government in 2010-2011 including:

- Regulating non-instructional fees
- Increasing base operating grants to universities
- Increasing grants and bursaries to students in need
- Making elections more accessible to students

Throughout the year, CAUS met with a number of government representatives including the Premier of Alberta, the Minister of Advanced Education and Technology, and various Members of the Legislative Assembly in order to advance CAUS' priorities. CAUS also met with all of Alberta's opposition parties. While CAUS did not get all of its goals accomplished, it made strides to ensure that moving forward, future Students' Union executives in Alberta would have a strong foundation to build upon with the government to advance affordable, accessible and high quality post-secondary education in Alberta. *Written by Keith McLaughlin - 5th year Arts & Science with a Political Science major*



Back row left to right: Aden Murphy, Hardave Birk, Keith McLaughlin, Zack Moline

Front row left to right: Andrew Williams, Taz Kassam, Duncan Wojtaszek, Greg Weadick, Lauren Webber, Premier Stelmach, Nick Dehod

CASA Involvement

Overall, the ULSU was very happy with the work that it accomplished with Canadian Alliance of Student



Federal Lobby Group

Associations (CASA) this year. The ULSU was one of the most active members of CASA. Allan Hall served as a member of the CASA Bylaw Committee, Policy Committee, Finance Committee, Interim National Director/Chair Review Committee and the National Director Search Committee. Hall rewrote CASA's policy on tax credit and provided feedback on all of the policies written by the Policy Committee. Hall was also heavily involved with the work done on CASA's new constitution and operating procedures.

From an advocacy perspective, CASA had a satisfactory year with its annual Lobby Conference in Ottawa. Over the course of the conference, CASA arranged 112 different meetings, with several high profile Ministers and party leaders such as Michael Ignatieff, Gilles Duceppe, Jim Flaherty, James Moore, Rob Moore, Peter MacKay, Steven Fletcher and Rona Ambrose. A majority of the MPs, Senators and civil servants that we met with during the week were very receptive to the recommendations that CASA made.

This was a very significant year for CASA from an internal perspective. Arati Sharma, the previous National Director, announced to the CASA membership that she would be resigning from her position effective April 1, 2010. At CASA's Policy and Strategy Conference in June, we received in-depth presentations from four well-qualified candidates. After a lengthy discussion



Heading to the Parliament Building

in plenary, we elected Zachary Daylor as the new National Director for CASA, and he has done an excellent job thus far in his role as National Director.



Lady Democracy

Taz Kassam, Lauren Webber (U of C)

At the CASA Annual General Meeting, the members voted to implement a new voting structure, fee structure and a new constitution. The new voting structure will require a two-thirds majority of full members to pass motions. For special resolutions, it requires a two-thirds majority of the full members and at least 50% plus one of the full-time equivalent (FTE) students to pass this type of motion. CASA also voted in favour of a new fee structure system that will be based on a progressive FTE student model (kind of like the Canadian tax system but with FTEs instead of income) rather than being tied to the annual gross revenues of the student association. This will be a better system for the ULSU. Lastly, we voted in

favour of a new constitution for the organization. Due to an organizational hiccup, we have been using the 2002 CASA constitution. Over the course of the year, the Bylaw Committee worked very diligently to craft a constitution that better reflects the practices of the organization and what the membership wanted in its governing documents. *Written by Allan Hall, Open Studies student*



Reports

Intercampus Reports & Events



Edmonton Campus Rep
Stephanie Kiraly

Edmonton Campus Report

This year was a great year for the Edmonton campus. We welcomed our new Director, David Keast, to the campus, and forged a great relationship between office staff and the Students' Union in hopes to gain student involvement. Another great addition to the campus was the University of Lethbridge Accounting Club Edmonton (ULACE). The Edmonton Students' Union and ULACE have formed a vital partnership which in turn helps with planning events and passing along important information to students on campus. We reintroduced a separate link on the ULSU website strictly for the Edmonton campus where we post upcoming events for students held both on and off campus. Classroom visits have been another important aspect of promoting the Students' Union on the Edmonton campus. Students are becoming more familiar with the Students' Union and more aware of the opportunities and benefits they can enjoy while being part of a satellite campus. There were also a few events that were held this year on the Edmonton campus to encourage social networking between students, clubs, and staff. We started the year off with having a student mixer to help students get to know one another and forge relationships that would be beneficial both inside and outside of the classroom. Throughout the year there were events put on by both the Students' Union and ULACE that were great stress breakers from exams and provided social networking opportunities. There were also events held at the end of the school year that were well attended and helped make the school year

go out with a bang and to congratulate those students who will be graduating this year. It has been a great pleasure to serve as the 2010-2011 Edmonton Campus Representative and to be able to have the opportunity to meet some amazing people along the way.

Edmonton Campus Events

Student & Faculty Mixer - September 25, 2010

This event was held on campus as an opportunity for students to meet one another as well as to be introduced to faculty members. Food and beverages were provided.

Introduction of ULACE - December 6, 2010

ULACE held an on campus event to promote Edmonton's only club and to recruit membership.

Stress Relief Event - December 8-9, 2010

This was an on-campus event and provided Tim Horton's coffee and cookies to students as a stress break while studying for exams. The event was sponsored by CGA.

CA Info Session - February 5, 2011

Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants was on campus to host an info session for those students interested in becoming chartered accountants.

Fernie, B.C. Ski Trip - April 8-10, 2011

This event was for Edmonton campus students.

End of Year Social Activity - April 23, 2010

This was a casual get together for any student who wanted to simply relax and unwind.

End of Year Networking Dinner - April 30, 2010

Edmonton companies gave informative presentations to students. This was well attended and the event provided opportunities for students to make important business contacts. *Written by Stephanie Kiraly - 3rd year Bachelor of Management Accounting major*



Calgary Campus Report

The 2010-2011 year was a milestone for the U of L Calgary campus, it moved from SAIT in Northwest Calgary to downtown. The new office is located in the Rocky Mountain Plaza and the classrooms are located at the Bow Valley College. Finally, Calgary campus has its own office and the ULSU has use of an unoccupied room where I held regular office hours. This has increased the presence of the ULSU on the Calgary campus.

The key focus for this year was the campus re-location. Students have to be comfortable with the new campus, new facilities, and the new services. With the help of Lorne Williams, Calgary Campus Director, an Open House and a student orientation was organized to inform students about what the new campus has to offer and the current changes. Follow-ups have been made to ensure students voices are being heard and then directed back to the faculty. Relationships with other Students' Unions have been forged especially with the Bow Valley College and the University of Calgary. Each week, Monday through Saturday, I offered as much time as possible to talk to students and address their concerns.

It was a pleasure to work with the Calgary campus staff and the ULSU Executive Council. Without their support, along with the ULSU staff, this year would not have been as successful as it was. *Written by Allan Tam - 3rd year Management with an Accounting major*

Calgary Campus Events

New Office Open House - Nov 30 & Dec 3, 2010

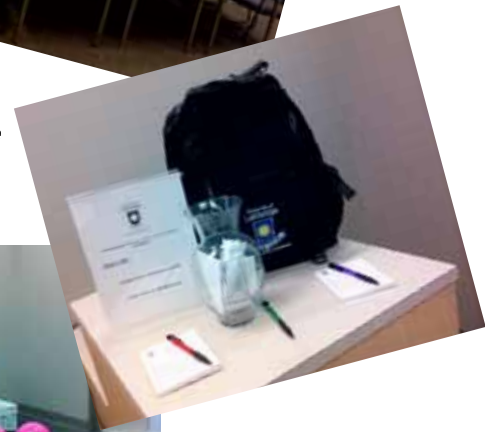
The Open House was organized after mid-term week. There was also a door prize to attract students to attend the event.

Calgary Campus Rep
Allan Tam



Calgary Campus Board Room

Open House Door Prize Draw



Desk of the Calgary Campus Rep



Reports

Board of Governors Rep Report



Board of Governors Rep
Eric Hawthorne

Board of Governors Rep Report

The Board of Governors at the University of Lethbridge has been concerned with many issues during this academic year. The biggest, most significant issue that we dealt with was the installation of our new President, Mike Mahon. However, "issue" is definitely not the correct word to describe the amazing

presence and benefit that President Mahon will bring to the University of Lethbridge as a whole. President Mahon has brought a unique, but focused set of values to the University that will undoubtedly help students and staff alike as they work towards a bright future. Specifically, President Mahon is looking to direct the University towards a "student first" focus, making the University a destination school for Canadians, enhancing the University's status as a comprehensive research institution, and a more sustainable organization.

Along with President Mahon's new vision for the University, there is a renewed drive to realize and revitalize the University of Lethbridge's Strategic Plan. The Board of Governors are looking to re-open the Strategic Plan and make it more accessible and better suited to the demands that the University is facing now, compared to when the document was released. No sweeping changes will be made, but at the same time the Strategic Plan will not simply be left on a shelf to be consulted infrequently. The Strategic Plan will be relevant and active in the way the University is run.

Finally, as both a part of President Mahon's personal interest and a specific concern of the Strategic Plan, the Board of Governors has been looking at sustainability as an over-arching concern that must be dealt with at our university. The notion of sustainability must be expanded beyond the limitations of just environmental concerns to also include financial sustainability and social sustainability. Together, these items encapsulate the broad issues that the Board of Governors has worked through during the academic year of 2010-2011. *Written by Eric Hawthorne - 7th year English major*

General Assembly

*Allan Hall,
Jamie Patrick,
Tyrell DaSilva,
Eric Hawthorne*



Board of Governors Rep
Eric Hawthorne



International Rep Report

Representing international students at the University of Lethbridge was a big honour. Having been successfully elected to do this in the 2010-2011 year, I was looking forward to ensuring that the voice of my constituents was heard at all monthly General Assembly (GA) meetings. My goal was to continue to build upon the accomplishments of my predecessors whose steadfastness and perseverance was the reason that this position was created. I am forever indebted to those individuals who instigated the



General Assembly Meeting

From left: Andrew Williams, Kyle Hammond, Rachele Thompson, Dominic Mudiayi

filling of this void in the chambers of the Students' Union GA, such that the ULSU would reflect the comprehensive and diverse view of students at the University.

Each month end during the academic year, there was an event called the "International Café", which served the purpose of providing a relaxing atmosphere for international students from the world over to meet and celebrate their birthdays or important holidays observed in their countries. These monthly gatherings were kindly organized by Charlene Janes and others at the International Centre for Students. Personally, this vital event provided a platform to interact with my constituents but more importantly, it gave international students the grand opportunity to share their experiences and challenges faced in Canada.

The 3rd annual International Christmas Dinner was held on December 3, 2010 and it was a great success! Over 150 international students attended and we were graced by the presence of Dr. and Mrs. Mahon. At this event



3rd Annual International Dinner

From left: Fwanyanga Mate, Craig Rumano, Dominic Mudiayi, Dr. and Mrs. Mahon, Duncan Chibanda, Charlene Janes (Event Organizer), Bolaji Akinbobola.



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even Santa Claus mysteriously appeared to distribute gifts and treats to all the children in attendance. This was a splendid evening indeed, kindly organized by the individuals at the International Centre who have a true passion for helping international students find a balance and integrate into the Lethbridge community.

The year 2011 came with a renewed excitement in anticipation for the inaugural "Cultural Expo" which was held during the International Week (February 14-18, 2011). International students showcased their cultures and countries in the form of trifolds depicting a personalized view of their countries that are rarely seen on television. This unique perspective helped other university students to learn about other countries and their rich history from an individual who was born and raised there. The "Cultural Expo" preceded the 18th Annual International Dinner which was headlined by Justin Lukach, the host of popular TV show "Departures". Mr. Lukach shared many of his adventures and lessons learned during his travels around the world and emphasized the need for individuals to always look beyond their country's borders and discover the diversity that is ever present in the world. I encourage you all to keep your eyes open for all the above mentioned annual events and in future, plan to attend!

As a fourth year Biology major at the University, this unique opportunity to serve and actively represent international students has been a true blessing. The position of "International Student Representative" is very significant as it is a constant reminder to students at this university that we must promote and continually embrace diversity. Throughout the year, I echoed these sentiments on behalf of my constituents. It is my hope that the position will maintain its role as a vehicle for international students to learn about and benefit from

the Students' Union and further, to ensure that there remains an international perspective within the Students' Union. *Written by Dominic Mudiayi - 4th year, with a Biology major*

First Nations, Métis, Inuit Report



First Nations, Métis, Inuit Rep
Melodie Little Bear

Mayoral & Candidate Forum

On October 6, 2010 I attended the Lethbridge Mayoral and Candidate Forum at the Lethbridge Human Resource Shelter where all candidates had the opportunity to present their platform along with a question and answer period. Affordable housing, employment, education and homelessness were the main topics of concern. Communication, equality and inclusion were discussed as

possible strategies to networking with the Aboriginal Community in Lethbridge.

U of L Presidential Installation

On October 15, 2010 the University of Lethbridge formally installed Dr. Mike Mahon as President. I participated in the procession that was inclusive of the First Nations, Métis, Inuit (FNMI), Alumni, Native American Student Association (NASA) Executive, and Native American Studies (NAS) Faculty and Elders. Dr. Mahon was treated to a Blackfoot ceremonial

"Welcome" Song and Prayer provided by Dr. Leroy Little Bear and Alumni member Billy Wadsworth. There were numerous speeches given by the various distinguished guests and attendees along with a performance that was nothing short of spectacular with a cultural component that best suited the event. Dr. Mahon continues to support the NAS Faculty and FNMI student initiatives while engaging with and embracing the Aboriginal Community in Southern Alberta.

Blackfoot Confederacy and Native Wellness Conferences

Aside from my duties as ULSU – FNMI Representative, I am a member of the Kainai Board of Education (KBE) – Saipoyi Community School PAC Chairperson. I was selected to attend both conferences during the month of November as a board representative of the KBE Organization. The focal point of the conferences surrounded the notion of "holistic healing" and the many traditional methods and strategies available when coping with issues pertaining to education, land and housing. Renewal and retention of the indigenous culture continues to remain an active force within the Aboriginal populations in North America, therefore the idea of land studies becomes more crucial to sustaining a culture and its practices viable for the next generations.

Native Awareness Week Celebration

February 28 – March 4, 2011

We recently celebrated the Annual Native Awareness Week (NAW). Festivities filled with cultural activities and events that promote the Aboriginal traditions and practices. Each day consisted of a scheduled activity or

program such as the fashion show held in the University atrium formed by Professor Linda Many Guns and her NAS 3850 class. The dresses were so elegantly designed and incorporated the beautiful bead work and stitching used by the Aboriginal designers Pauline Dempsey and Gerri Many Fingers. Dance and drum performances by the students of Holy Spirit School Division were also included with the week of events. The NASA Club hosted an "Out of the Box" presentation that included an information session regarding the "Fracturing" issue that has recently become a great concern to the Blood Tribe. Aside from the politics there was an open mic inclusive of Aboriginal talent where indigenous artists were encouraged to showcase their perspective talent. To end the eventful week was a premiere of "Circle of the Sun" along with smaller films created and developed by Aboriginal artists.

FNMI Alumni, SET Committee, GA and KBE Meetings

Throughout my term as the FNMI Representative I attended the above mentioned meetings; their main focus – generally speaking surrounds the notion of "education". How to improve certain programs while providing support to Aboriginal students is usually the focal point. They aspire to recognize the student and the social barriers they face when seeking an education whether it is elementary or post secondary – the challenges are similar. It is a continuous struggle with the Federal Government where funding is concerned, therefore I encourage all First Nation students to actively get involved with governance and politics at any level because the Aboriginal people require your knowledge and wisdom to guide them into the future! *Written by Melodie Little Bear, 3rd Year Arts and Science, with a Native American Studies major*



Reports

Residence Rep Report



Residence Representative
Kyle Hammond

Residence Rep Report

The 2010-2011 year was phenomenal in residence; building upon the success of last year Rez Wars. There was more programming this year in terms of quantity and quality than in any of the last four years. Residents had a chance to participate or attend plays, Stampeders games, two separate Flames games, Hurricanes games, a

ski trip to Castle Mountain, various cabarets, and nine different Rez Wars events just to name a few! This year the Organization of Residence Students (ORS) made a significant impact in our local community through fundraising and philanthropy. This year Residence Assistants (RAs) ran the annual Coulee Cleanup, raising \$700 for Lethbridge Adopt-a-Family, \$380 for Muscular Distrophy, over \$5000 for World Vision in the 30 hour Famine, and the Underwear Affair Run.

Not only have the residents had access to top notch events, but they have also received substantial upgrades to common and working spaces; P100 was rearranged to contain the main common space. This space has so far served to centralize the building and was the direct result of a hardworking and dedicated team. The Piikani study centre, (K111), the Hive and the Den all received various upgrades as well. ORS was also fortunate enough to establish its own council chambers and storage area in Tsu t'ina.

Being that ORS and residence as a whole has been confirmed in its identity as a fun place to be, ORS Executive along with Housing Services and our own Academic Committee tried to improve student academic life on campus. There have been many presentations from groups such as Arts & Science Advising, professors from different faculties and student run sessions on how to succeed. Along with the improvements to the P300 study centre, the Airport Lounge also received extra tables and chairs in order to create more workspace for the students living in University Hall.

There will be a significant amount of physical change in residence space in the years to come with University Hall and Kainai expansions, as well as the potential for a new building in Aperture Park. This means that it will be important for next year's Residence Representative to work to maintain the current community, while showing the flexibility and understanding needed to embrace the change. *Written by Kyle Hammond - 4th year Sociology major*



Residence Christmas Party 2010



Arts & Science Rep Report

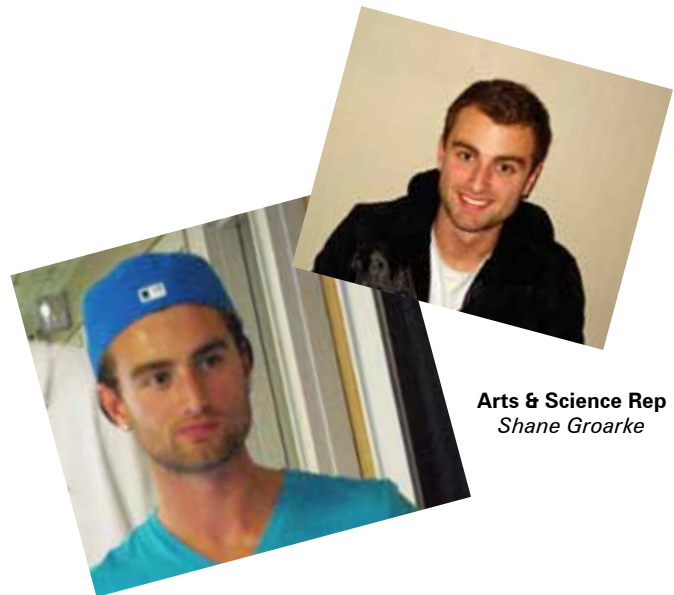
The University of Lethbridge Students' Union (ULSU) is a non-profit organization for undergraduate students at the University of Lethbridge. The work done by student representatives is faculty specific. Arts & Science representatives are responsible for students enrolled in the Faculty of Arts & Science - the largest faculty at the University of Lethbridge.

As an Arts & Science representative, it is entirely possible to make a difference through the facilitation of ideas, opinions and concerns to the University of Lethbridge about post secondary education. My committee involvement included representation on the Arts & Science Committee and General Faculties Council Special Needs Committee. Both these committees are essential for the smooth operation of the University of Lethbridge, as well as that of the ULSU.

There are two initiatives of which I feel would be greatly beneficial to both students enrolled in the Faculty of Arts & Science as well as any other student currently attending the University of Lethbridge. The first initiative is to implement a tutor database. This initiative was originally advocated by the VP Academic candidate and current Arts & Science representative, Andrew Williams. A tutor database would consolidate the currently unsystematic information regarding available academic student aid.

The second initiative is to accomplish a way in which students are made more aware of the importance behind responsible academic undergraduate planning. This initiative is linked to criticisms made by many Arts & Science students who feel the academic advising at

the University of Lethbridge is sub-par. Not surprisingly, many of these frustrations are voiced by students who wait until their final two years to setup their first appointment with an academic advisor, only to find they are behind with respect to graduation. I feel the Faculty of Arts & Science could do a better job of encouraging students to meet with academic advisors earlier in their undergraduate career and on a more consistent basis. All in all, my experiences with both the ULSU and the University of Lethbridge have been rewarding. I would sincerely encourage any student interested in becoming involved in the ULSU to put his or her best foot forward in helping the organization continue to make positive changes in the campus community. *Written by Shane Groarke - 4th Year Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy*



Arts & Science Rep
Shane Groarke



Reports

Education Rep Report

The Faculty of Education and the quality of the teacher program at the University of Lethbridge continues to be a large factor for students from all over Alberta and Canada to attend this institution. Not only does the program offer high quality education but also offers many events and aspects of the program outside of the classroom.

In the first week of October, the Education Undergraduate Society held its 3rd Annual Anti-Bullying and Cyberbullying Awareness Week. There were three lunch time sessions and one evening session aimed at Practical Semester One (PSI) students who entered the classroom for the first time later that semester. It was a huge success and there were over 80 attendees for each session, much higher than previous years.

Also during the fall semester, PSI Students collected and donated school supplies in an event called "Bust the Backpack" which aims to donate basic supplies to schools across Southern Alberta. In the end, over 25 backpacks were filled and donated.

Each year in January, the Faculty of Education organizes a Teacher Job Fair for upcoming graduates in order to



Education Rep
Armin Escher

begin their search for employment. Over 40 school boards and other educational organizations came to campus on January 19th and some even had interviews right on campus. This job fair is one of the reasons the Faculty of Education can boast a 97% employment rate for the graduates of the B.Ed. program.

During Reading Week, our campus was invaded by teachers from all over South Western Alberta for the South Western Alberta Teachers' Convention Association (SWATCA). The teachers were joined by over 200 of our U of L students currently in their PSII who were invited to participate and attend many of the professional development sessions held on campus. Our keynote speaker was Craig Kielburger, a children's rights activist and founder of the "Free the Children" organization.

Overall, I am very glad to have been given the opportunity to represent my faculty to the ULSU General Assembly

and I would like to thank the Executive Council for their continued support. I hope to continue my involvement with the ULSU into the next year and I hope that this year has been as enjoyable to everyone else, as it has been for me. *Written by Armin Escher, 4th Year B.Sc./B.Ed. Science Education*





Fine Arts Rep
Rachelle Thompson

Fine Arts Rep Report

As always, the Faculty of Fine Arts was one of the most talked about faculties at the University of Lethbridge! I was proud to have represented the high quality performances that were put on this year, as well as the beautiful artwork that lined the halls of the University buildings. The concerts that the music students hosted were outstanding. There was controversy over some of the artwork and shows that were chosen to be performed

but the quality was undeniable. It was great to see the number of Fine Arts clubs that re-ratified this year, such as, the Musical Theatre club as well as some new clubs that were formed, for example, the Tech & Design Club. Having clubs within the faculty was a great way for them to meet new people as they became closer to those with similar interests.

Throughout the year I spent many hours sitting on various committees within the University and learned a lot about how the University operates. Sitting on the Fine Arts Faculty Committee gave me the opportunity to learn about new initiatives that were being implemented within the faculty. This allowed me to be more informed so I could give better answers to questions that students asked.

Part of the responsibility of being a ULSU representative was to attend as many ULSU events as possible, and thank goodness I did! I have never seen such a great variety of events within the University. I had a lot of fun attending everything from Fresh Fest to Open Mic Nights, to even just having a chill night in the Zoo with my friends. I have really enjoyed being a part of the University of Lethbridge Students' Union and I am grateful for all the opportunities it has given me. This year has been life changing and I hope the Students' Union will continue to grow and make the U of L the best place to be. *Written by Rachelle Thompson, a third year Drama Education major*



Dr. Mahon's Presidential Installation
Rachelle Thompson, Nathan McCowan



Reports



Women in Business Conference - Boston, MA
Left to right: Kayley Fulton, Jamie Patrick, Amanda Miller, Maggie Kwok

Management Rep Report

The faculty of Management had a very exciting year with the grand opening of the new Markin Hall building. This building houses faculty offices, case rooms, breakout rooms, and the trading room; a Western-Canada exclusive. The Faculty held an exceptional Donor Gala in early

February to showcase the features of the new building.

A group of eight women, including myself attended the Harvard Intercollegiate Women in Business Conference in Boston, Massachusetts. The University of Lethbridge was the only school from Western Canada to be represented at the conference where the women learned important lessons from speakers such as Kate White, Cosmopolitan Magazine Editor-in-Chief, and Marissa Meyer, Vice President Search Products and User Experiences at Google.

Fifty-some delegates competed in the JDC West Business Competition in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan this past January. The University of Lethbridge team raised just over \$30,000 for the United Way of Southern Alberta and Area for the charity aspect of the competition. The Marketing and Social teams both won first place at the competition.

The Management Students' Society hosted the Etiquette Dinner, which gave students an opportunity to learn proper etiquette during meals. The 5 Days for the Homeless campaign, hosted by the Management Students' Society, began in mid-March to raise money and awareness for the Wood's Homes Lethbridge Emergency Youth Shelter. Volunteers lived the life of a homeless person on campus for five days in order to raise awareness for the major issue of youth homelessness. The Management Students' Society has also helped send many students to a variety of conferences throughout Canada and hopes to send more students in the years to come. *Written by Jamie Patrick - 4th Year General Management*



Management Rep
Jamie Patrick



Health Sciences Rep Report

The 2010-2011 academic year was one which presented both challenges and opportunities for the Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of Lethbridge. As with many other faculties and public institutions, the Faculty of Health Sciences faced increased budgetary challenges coupled with continuing pressure to expand program offerings.

These challenges were met head-on by Dean Chris Hosgood, whose leadership and managerial ability allowed the Faculty to not only develop, but to thrive. During the Fall semester, Dean Hosgood was the subject of a committee tasked with reviewing his eligibility for a subsequent five year appointment as Dean. The committee was multidisciplinary, including representation from the University of Lethbridge Students' Union. We reviewed statements from faculty members and community partners, and held discussions with Dean Hosgood about his vision of future challenges and opportunities for the Faculty. It was unanimously decided to approve his eligibility for another five years as head of the Faculty of Health Sciences.

Another significant milestone for the Faculty of Health Sciences this year was the move to the newly-constructed Markin Hall. Jointly shared with the Faculty of Management, Markin Hall provides a permanent home for the Faculty. Unique on campus are an Addictions Counselling Lab and Simulation Health Centre, both of which work to ensure Health Sciences students are equipped to make significant contributions to their fields. The ULSU, represented by President, Taz Kassam, was present for the official Grand Opening of Markin Hall with University of Lethbridge President, Dr. Mike Mahon, and Premier Ed Stelmach on October 21, 2010.

An ongoing challenge in any faculty remains engaging the students who comprise such a vital part of the ULSU. This semester was no exception, and finding unique and effective ways of motivating the general student population to get involved will remain a challenge for incoming USLU Executive and General Assembly members.

It has been an honour to serve this diverse and dynamic faculty, one which will surely realize its tremendous potential for growth in the coming years. *Written by Ryan Phillips - 3rd Year Bachelor of Nursing*

Health Science Rep
Ryan Phillips



Peter Mansbridge &
Ryan Phillips



Students' Union Awards

Award Winners

Employee of the Year

2010-2011 Award Winner: Cheri Pokarney - ULSU General Manager

This annual award was presented to the Students' Union employee who has made the most outstanding contributions to our organization over the past year, and best displays the values of the Students' Union. Although Cheri has only been with the organization for a relatively short time, she has come into her position with strength and dedication. She is always willing to help the Executive Council with any questions or concerns, and acts as a driving force for the entire office. As the incoming council will find, she will be the one answering most of your questions this summer, and she still helps outgoing Council. Cheri demonstrates the core of what the Students' Union is; dedication to students.

Nathan McCowan,
Armin Escher, Lisa Rodych



John Brocklesby Students' Union Award of Excellence

2010-2011 Award Winner: Armin Escher - Education Rep

This award was presented to the General Assembly member who has made the most significant contribution to the Students' Union, students, and the University community. As anyone in this room who has met Armin, knows, he is extremely passionate and determined. He is never one to be shy during General Assembly meetings and has kept this entire organization accountable. Armin has sat on numerous committees for both the Students' Union and the University, always ready to be the voice of the students. He also organized the second annual Fashion Drive to raise money for student scholarships. We are so pleased to have had him on the General Assembly this year, and we know he will do great things as the incoming Board of Governors Representative.

Bill Chapman Students' Union Certificate of Distinction

2010-2011 Award Winner: Eva Gorny - Student

This award was presented to the University of Lethbridge student who has shown the most innovation in the area(s) of student affairs, wellness, or another notable field over the past year. Eva has been an extremely active student in many ways, especially with the Rotaract Club. She has volunteered at many events, and was always looking for new ways to raise awareness for causes she feels strongly about. This year she organized the first ever 12-hour Relay for Life, which raised money in support of the Canadian Cancer Society. Eva also received the 2010 Leaders of Tomorrow Volunteer Excellence Award, given on behalf of Volunteer Lethbridge. She has gone beyond expectations of the average student, and we are so glad that she is part of our community.

Eva Gorny, Lisa Rodych



Students' Union Awards

Students' Union Helping Hand Award

2010-2011 Award Winner: Karol Budny - University of Lethbridge Building Maintenance

This award was presented to the University of Lethbridge employee who has made the most significant and lasting contribution to the University of Lethbridge Students' Union and its members over the past academic year. I am sure you can all agree that Karol has always been willing to help out the Students' Union in any way he can. Whether it means lending a hand or a ladder, he eagerly serves the ULSU any way possible. Karol always has a positive attitude and is very polite to everyone he interacts with. Karol has always been quick to respond to any requests the ULSU has. Any task that this individual takes on has been completed thoroughly and promptly, and he regularly exceeds expectations.

Outstanding Dedication Award

2010-2011 Award Winner: Robert Cooney - University Advancement, Communications Officer

This award was presented to the University of Lethbridge employee in special recognition for outstanding dedication to the students of the University of Lethbridge. Students are the heart of the University, and Robert has consistently sought to make sure the heart was strong. He attended almost every student event and has always been ready with a camera to capture the memories. Robert somehow knows where the students are. Any time a student or a club wants help with promoting an event he has been eager to help out in ways that surpass his job description. He has even dedicated time to help the Executive Council learn how to properly handle the media.

Continued Support Award

2010-2011 Award Winner: Calvin Toth - Curriculum Re-Development Centre, Audio Visual Production

This award was presented to the University employee for continued support to the Students' Union of the University of Lethbridge. Calvin put all of his effort into helping the students. He has spent nights, weekends and even lunch hours assisting students with putting on their events. Almost every club has had Calvin working behind the scenes for them, and he's always been willing to help with any last



Nathan McCowan & Karol Budny



Lisa Rodych
Robert Cooney



Nathan McCowan
& Calvin Toth



Students' Union Awards

minute considerations. Calvin never gives up and he has been consistent with delivering quality service. He has helped the ULSU staff learn how to use the Smart Board at least three times, and I know he will be there to teach us again. Calvin has won this award so many times, to the point that we may actually have to rename this award after him.

Students' Union Student Employee of the Year Award

2010-2011 Award Winner: Dukagin Berisha - Service Centre Clerk

This award was presented to the Students' Union student employee who demonstrated the most exceptional contribution to our organization over the past year. Dukagin personified the values of the University of Lethbridge Students' Union in all his endeavors and was enrolled as a full-time student at the University of Lethbridge. He was hard working, and always looked for more ways to help out. He went above and beyond expectations and was extremely reliable and consistently positive. Dukagin was mindful of the little things and has provided great customer service with his polite and conscientious demeanor.

*Lisa Rodych &
Dukagin Berisha*



*Lisa Rodych &
Thomas Fox*

Students' Union Student of the Year Award

2010-2011 Award Winner: Thomas Fox - University of Lethbridge Student

This award was presented to the student who embodied leadership, commitment, and contributed to the betterment of U of L students; this may have been exemplified by involvement in clubs, non-profit &/or student organizations, community, and volunteerism. Thomas has taken on enough activities for an entire committee and still manages to find time for more. He was president of two clubs this year, Amnesty International and the Chess Club, participated in the Student Speaker Challenge, and even had time to serenade the masses at the occasional Open Mic Night. Thomas has worked closely with the Lethbridge Public Interest Research Group to promote important causes to the student community, such as the Bring Your Own Bag movement, and much more.

Students' Union Club of the Year Award

2010-2011 Award Winner: PRIDE Centre

This award was presented to the Students' Union ratified club that demonstrated the most outstanding effort and dedication in its endeavors over the past year. The PRIDE Centre held numerous successful events and was in excellent standing with Clubs Council.

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They have attended every Clubs Council meeting and were always coming into the ULSU office with new ideas. The PRIDE Centre was constantly looking for ways to positively spread their message to the community, and bring a sense of belonging to the students. They were a pleasure to work with since their events have always turned out amazingly well. They are one of the most active clubs on campus, and probably the most persistent. A note to this, they convinced Allan Hall, Zack Moline and Nathan McCowan to pose for a picture while wearing dresses.

Legacy Award

2010-2011 Award Winner: Taz Kassam - ULSU President

The Legacy Award was presented to the President of the University of Lethbridge Students' Union. It symbolizes the hard work put in by the outgoing council, under the guidance of the President. This year was quite dynamic, seeing a lot of new events and great incentives. Speaking as one of the outgoing executives, I know that this council came together to support each other, and a lot of it had to do with the drive and optimism of our President. Taz's great communication skills proved valuable as she devoted countless hours of work to ensure her constituents were well represented. Our President was unbelievably organized, if you had the opportunity to visit her office you could tell it was the polar opposite of others. However, that's what we needed to keep us all together, someone who could keep everything together in her own life.

Nathan McCowan,
Allan Hall, Zack Moline



Taz
Kassam

Teaching Excellence Award

2010-2011 Award Winners: Jay Gamble - Department of English, Hans Joachim Wieden - Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry, and Lesley Brown - Department of Kinesiology.

This was the inaugural year for the ULSU Teaching Excellence Award. The ULSU created this award to formally recognize and honour teaching excellence at the University of Lethbridge. This was a student run and driven teaching award. Only undergraduate students were eligible to nominate instructors, and the committee that decided the award was composed solely of undergraduate students.

Laurence Decore Awards

These awards were established in 2001 by the Government of Alberta, in honor of the Provincial Liberal leader Laurence Decore. This scholarship recognizes post-secondary students who have demonstrated outstanding dedication and leadership in student clubs, student government, college/university life, and community involvement.

2010-2011 Award Winners: Thomas Fox, Sara Ortiz Ospina, Erin Strilchuk, Kristina Larkin, Samantha Gilbert, Tina Hall



Financial Matters

Sponsorship

External Sponsorship to the ULSU

Bursaries/Scholarships/Awards

- University of Lethbridge - QIP
- Coca-Cola Bottling Company
- C & C Insurance Consultants
- Bill Chapman
- Mr. Cash

General Sponsorship

- Coca-Cola Bottling Company
- Old Dutch
- Zoom Media

Food Bank Donations

- Anonymous donations
- Christmas in the Park
- H & H Smith
- Janice Varzari
- Peter Mansbridge
- U of L Book Store
- Physical Plant
- Frank Klassen
- Rooted on Campus
- Rotaract Club

- Curling Club
- Kappa Sigma
- Financial Services
- Registrar's Office
- Individuals - Students, Faculty, Staff, & Community
- University of Lethbridge - QIP

Fresh Fest

- Please see the Fresh Fest report for a full list of sponsors (page 9)

Sponsorship From the ULSU

- U of L Library Stress Free Zone
- Five Days for the Homeless
- Student Art Award
- Boys & Girls Club - Anti Bullying
- Exhibit on Femicide
- Muscular Dystrophy Association - ORS
- Mike Mahon's Movember Campaign
- PRIDE Centre
- Relay for Life
- John Gill Memorial Golf Tournament



Quality Initiatives Program

Quality Initiatives Program (QIP)

The QIP is a proposal based funding system used to benefit and enhance the students' overall experience at the University of Lethbridge. The U of L allocates 12% of the annual tuition fee increases to the ULSU, to be used to develop quality initiatives. These funds are provided on a continuing basis, with a three year term of notice, should the allocation be discontinued.

QIP EXPENDITURES FOR 2010-2011	AMOUNT
Scholarships	\$210,000
Research Grants	\$ 80,000
Fresh Fest	\$ 45,000
Food Cupboard	\$ 2,445
Rookie Camp	\$ 6,676
Green Space	\$ 22,000
Peter Mansbridge	\$ 26,135
Graduate Student Association	\$ 32,900
Laptops	\$ 11,601
JDC West	\$ 10,400
Meltdown	\$ 4,081
Model UN Grant	\$ 5,600
Travel and Conference	\$ 5,000
ULSU Food Bank	\$ 7,500
OutSpoken	\$ 8,000
Leadership Conference	\$ 3,358
Composting Project	\$ 854
Management Student Society Grad Gala	\$ 4,350
Last Class Bash	\$ 12,078
TOTAL	\$497,978



Financial Matters

Student Funding

Student Funding for May 1, 2010 - April 30, 2011

NAME	NUMBER OF APPROVED APPLICATIONS	AMOUNT GRANTED
Travel & Conference Grants	31	\$14,874
Club Matching Grants	15	\$2,897
Club Start-up Grants	9	\$1,800
Emergency Assistance Grants	7	\$3,500
TOTAL	58	\$23,071

Travel & Conference Grant Breakdown:

NAME	NUMBER OF APPROVED APPLICATIONS	AMOUNT GRANTED
Overseas Applications	4	\$1,799
USA Applications	8	\$7,284
Canadian Applications	14	\$5,791
Individual Applications	17	\$4,847
Student Group Applications	4	\$2,214
Ratified Club Applications	5	\$7,813
Amount Transferred from QIP		\$5,000

Previous Year's Funding Comparison:

TOTAL APPROVED GRANT APPLICATIONS T & C, Matching, Start-up, & Emergency	NUMBER OF APPROVED APPLICATIONS	AMOUNT GRANTED
2007-2008	70	\$15,520
2008-2009	96	\$21,518
2009-2010	48	\$16,583
2010-2011	62	\$23,071



Scholarships, Bursaries & Awards

Summary For May 1, 2010 - April 30, 2011

NAME	NUMBER AWARDED	SINGLE AWARD VALUE	TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED
SCHOLARSHIPS			
Community Service Award Scholarship	1	\$500	\$500
ULSU Part-time Scholarship	1	\$500	\$500
ULSU International Travel Scholarship	1	\$500	\$500
ULSU Scholarship	1	\$500	\$500
ULSU Coca-Cola Scholarships	2	\$500	\$1,000
ULSU Coca-Cola North Scholarships	2	\$500	\$1,000
QIP Scholarships	106	\$1,000	\$106,000
BURSARIES			
ULSU Bursary	3	\$500	\$1,500
ULSU Emergency Bursary	1	\$500	\$500
ULSU Placement Bursary	2	\$500	\$1,000
ULSU Coca-Cola Bursary	2	\$500	\$1,000
Student Wise Bursary	2	\$500	\$1,000
Mr. Cash Bursary	3	\$500	\$1,500
QIP Bursaries	104	\$1,000	\$104,000
AWARDS			
Campus Sustainability Recycling Award	9	\$1,000	\$ 9,000
Emerging Teacher's Award	1	\$500	\$500
TOTAL			\$230,000

NOTE: QIP = Quality Initiative Program



Students' Union Operations

Health & Dental Plan

Enrollment breakdown for the Health & Dental Plan

SEPTEMBER 1, 2010 - AUGUST 31, 2011

Total Health Plan Enrollment = **4033**
Total Dental Plan Enrollment = **4060**



RWAM Insurance
Administrators INC.

SEMESTER ADD-ON SUMMARY

HP = Health Plan --- DP = Dental Plan

Accident Coverage underwritten
by Chartis
Travel Assist serviced &
administered by Mondial
Plan arranged by C & C Insurance

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Total Add-ons	
HP Family Add-on	53	HP Family Add-on	11	HP Add-on	115
HP Single Add-on	27	HP Single Add-on	24	DP Add-on	112
DP Family Add-on	51	DP Family Add-on	10		
DP Single Add-on	27	DP Single Add-on	24		

ULSU Food Court

The Red Fort Cafe

The Students' Union is pleased to welcome a new tenant to the ULSU Food Court! The Red Fort Cafe officially opened in February 2011 with grand success, offering great Indian cuisine at affordable prices. Indian cuisine in the ULSU Food Court is a first, and we are excited about the diverse food choices available to students. We wish the Red Fort Cafe continued success in the upcoming year! *Written by Tracy Merrifield - ULSU Operations Coordinator*

ULSU Food Court Tenants

- The Coffee Company
- Juice Fare
- Tivoli
- Hiroba
- Subway
- Icy's
- Red Fort Cafe
- U of L Bookstore
- Rockerman's Service Centre



Students' Union Operations

Food Bank

ULSU Food Bank Statistics

# OF NEW CUSTOMERS	# OF FAMILY HAMPERS GIVEN OUT	# OF SINGLE HAMPERS GIVEN OUT
60	36	113

With each hamper a \$25 gift card to Safeway was given out; upon availability.

Food Bank cash donations = \$7,164.34

Thanks to all our donors! Your generosity is very much appreciated by everyone!
(please see the sponsorship donation list on page 48)

Clubs were invited to participate in the annual ULSU Trick or Eat Food Drive. Beginning October 25, 2010 continuing until November 1, 2010, clubs were encouraged to collect donations for the ULSU Food Bank. This year six clubs participated, with a cash prize going to the winning team with the most food donations.

ULSU Room Bookings

Room Booking Summary

ROOM	ULSU & U of L BOOKINGS	CLUB BOOKINGS	EXTERNAL BOOKINGS	TOTAL BOOKINGS
Galileo's	28	84	7	119
Ballrooms	74	106	27	207
Council Chambers	117	16	15	148
Table Space	97	116	87	300



Elections & Referendums

Referendums

In the summer of 2010, the ULSU Executive embarked on a review of its fee structure upon learning of acute budgetary strains within ULSU budgets that threatened student services with future cutbacks. The Executive learned that ULSU fees on average were 18% below the national average of schools of a comparable size. Recognizing this and the needs of students, the Executive Council chose to ask students via referendum to approve a fee increase in order to sustain and enhance student services.

QUESTION #1 - ULSU FEES TIED TO CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI)

Whereas the University of Lethbridge Students' Union (ULSU) fees currently do not account for annual increases in inflation. And whereas this will inevitably result in cutbacks and reductions of current student service offerings, the ULSU wishes to pose the following question to its membership:

"Do you authorize the University of Lethbridge Students' Union to tie the annual student fees it collects to the Consumer Price Index (CPI), as determined by Statistics Canada, using 2011 as the base year for calculation, in order to account for annual inflation?"

RESULTS:

YES votes: 919 vote - 54%
NO votes: 781 votes - 46%

The ULSU made the unenviable choice to ask students to increase fees because the existing fee structure was not sustainable and threatened student support such as club funding, travel and conference grants, along with several other services. Rather than face future cutbacks to student services the ULSU asked its students to vote on the referendum questions.

In the end, a majority of students voted in favour of

sustained and improved student services, ensuring that in the future all students at the University of Lethbridge can continue to access extraordinary services.

QUESTION #2 - ULSU FEE INCREASE

Whereas increased enrollments at the University of Lethbridge, and increased membership of the University of Lethbridge Students' Union (ULSU), has produced strain on the ULSU Operations Budget, and whereas the ULSU favours increasing levels of student services, the ULSU wishes to pose the following question to its membership:

"Effective Fall 2012, do you authorize the University of Lethbridge Students' Union to implement a one time increase in the annual fees it collects for operations to result in the following charge:

Full Time Students
From: \$47.44/year (\$23.72/semester) to: \$57.44/year (\$28.72/semester)

Part Time Students
From: \$23.86/year (\$11.93/semester) to: \$28.86/year (\$14.43/semester)?

RESULTS:

YES votes: 982 votes - 58%
NO votes: 723 votes - 42%

General Elections

The ULSU General Election process began February 7, 2011 and ended on March 11, 2011. The total voter turnout was 25%, with the Residence students having the highest participation of 63%. *Written by Keith McLaughlin - 5th year Political Science major*



Elections & Referendums

Winning Candidates

Incoming Council Members for 2011-2012

Executive Council

President
Vice President Academic
Vice President Operations & Finance
Vice President Internal Affairs

General Assembly

Arts & Science Representatives

Residence Representative
International Representative
Board of Governors Representative
Calgary Campus Representative
Edmonton Campus Representative
First Nations, Métis, & Inuit Representative
Education Representative

Fall 2011 By-election will take place for:

Fine Arts Representative
Health Science Representative
Management Representative
3 Arts & Science Representatives

Incoming Executive Council
Andrew Williams, Zack Moline, Lisa Rodych,
Leyland Bradley



Zack Moline

Zack Moline
Andrew Williams
Leyland Bradley
Lisa Rodych



Julia Adolf
Maxine Saretsky
Tanner Watt

Matt Racine
Olanrewaju Paulissen
Armin Escher
Shahd Mohamad
Stephanie Kiraly
Germaine Wells
Eva Gorny



Outgoing &
Incoming Council



Past Presidents of the ULSU

List of Past Presidents

We have just completed 45 years of student representation at the University of Lethbridge. As each Council begins their term, it's evident that they are filled with enthusiasm and vigor as they plan and execute their year long goals. 2010-2011 has been a year of unwavering dedication to the students by offering quality programs, events and services to the University of Lethbridge student body.

The following is a list of past Students' Union Presidents since the beginning of the Students' Union at the University of Lethbridge.

2010/2011	Taz Kassam	1987/1988	Jason Slemko
2009/2010	Jeremy Girard	1986/1987	Dan Laplante
2008/2009	Adam Vossepoeel	1985/1986	Aaron Engen
2007/2008	Kelly Kennedy	1984/1985	Tracy Hembroff
2006/2007	Dustin Fuller	1983/1984	Mike McPhail
2005/2006	Tyler Tanner	1984	Larry Glazer
2004/2005	Loralee Edwards	1982/1983	Chuck Cosgrove
2003/2004	Paul Daniels	1981/1982	Barry Weintraub
2002/2003	Melanee Thomas	1980/1981	Rudy Peters
2001/2002	Matthew McHugh	1979/1980	Alan Murray
2000/2001	Dezmond Belzeck	1978/1979	Pat Dortch
1999/2000	Bonnie Androkovich	1977/1978	Howard Reid
1998/1999	Ryan Dunford	1976/1977	Wayne MacKay
1997/1998	Jon Wescott	1975/1976	Lee Ens
1996/1997	Jason Shriner	1974/1975	Darryl Ross
1995/1996	Arthur Wong	1973/1974	Khym Goslin
1994/1995	Humberto Aspillaga	1972/1973	Jesse Snow
1993/1994	Poul Mark	1971/1972	Ken Runge
1992/1993	Justin Penny	1970/1971	Robin Dann
1991/1992	David Legg	1969/1970	Lamont Nielson
1990/1991	Terry Whitehead	1968/1969	Richard Wutzke
1989/1990	Jon Oxley	1967/1968	John Brocklesby
1988/1989	Jon Oxley		



Vision & Mission Statement

Our Vision & Mission

VISION

The Students' Union, the University of Lethbridge will deliver extraordinary service, facilities, programs and opportunities that exceed the expectations of our students. The Students' Union will be recognized locally, provincially and nationally as a dynamic and innovative leader in the Canadian University Community.

MISSION

The mission of The Students' Union is to provide our students, as well as faculty, staff, and alumni a portal to the unique University of Lethbridge experience. The Students' Union compliments the academic programs and enhances the overall educational experience and quality of campus life for students and other members of the U of L family.

As the heart of the student community, we are committed to student success by delivering a diverse program of cultural, educational, social and recreational services. We strive to surpass the needs of our multi-cultural student community, create a positive learning experience, and maintain a healthy balance between academic and leisure activities.



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