

a year in review of 2014-2015

University of Lethbridge Students' Union

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The General Assembly

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BACK TO FRONT

(left to right)

(back): Danielle Adams, Julia Adolf, Bonnie Farries, CJ White Quills, Michael Gale, Brody Gordon, Jan Tuescher.
(middle): Megan Sutherland, Alyssa Andreachuk, Chris Hollingsworth, Sean Glydon, Michael Kawchuk, Riley Miller, Lisa Hildebrand, Brenna Scott, Cameron Howey.
(front): Kimberley Bose, Lisa Giovanetto.

MISSING

Jiaqi (Max) Guo, Lauren De Klerk, Shashi Kant Ghai, Hannah Benner.

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Introduction

President's Address

This was a very interesting year with many ups and downs along with unexpected surprises. I know that when I started the year, I was expecting something a little more low key than what we had experienced the previous year, I was certain that after a year of advocacy surrounding the budget cuts that things would have been a little quieter. Then, in mid-September, the Alberta government announced that they would be allowing institutions to submit proposals for market modifiers. We had to kick our government relations, our efforts with University administration and on the Board of Governors into high gear. This was compounded by a sudden contract and space negotiation with the Meliorist that we had to undergo over the course of several months.

Do not get me wrong though, this was still an amazing year. So much was added to the organization, and so

many incredible things were accomplished by the elected representatives and staff. The ULSU is now the proud owner of its own truck, we have finally reached a workable solution for the conundrum of the commissioner positions, and we have added and improved several events, which have been extremely successful for us, such as Mental Health Week, F#ck Cancer, and the Students' Union Food Bank fundraiser.

But for me, probably the best thing about this year was watching the new council come in with a bunch of fresh new ideas, new energy, watching them tackle their goals, succeed beyond their wildest expectations, and come together as a team in order to make things better for the students who attend this university. *Sean Glydon - 5th year B.Sc., Environmental Science major*



President - Sean Glydon



Executive Council

Left to Right: Riley Miller, Chris Hollingsworth, Lisa Hildebrand, Sean Glydon, Michael Kawchuk.



General Assembly Christmas Party

Top (left to right): Sean Glydon, Lisa Hildebrand, Julia Adolf, Michael Gale, Chris Hollingsworth, Riley Miller.

Middle: Nikki Stuart, Kimberley Bose, Jan Tuescher, Cameron Howey.

Bottom sitting: Lisa Giovanetto, Brody Gordon, Alyssa Andreachuk, Megan Sutherland, Danielle Adams.

Bottom: Michael Kawchuk.



Kevin Pearce Event

Left to Right: Shilo Zeller, Michael Kawchuk, Brenna Scott, Lisa Hildebrand, Kevin Pearce, Candace Cave, Riley Miller, Kimberley Bose.

Student Council & Staff

General Assembly of 2014-2015

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Sean Glydon
President



Lisa Hildebrand
VP Academic



Michael Kawchuk
VP Operations & Finance



Riley Miller
VP Student Affairs



Chris Hollingsworth
VP External



Julia Adolf
Board of Governors Rep



Brenna Scott
Arts & Science Rep



Brody Gordon
Arts & Science Rep



Cameron Howey
Arts & Science Rep



Megan Sutherland
Arts & Science Rep



Danielle Adams
Arts & Science Rep



Michael Gale
Arts & Science Rep



CJ White Quills
FNMI Rep



Jan Tuescher
Residence Rep



Alyssa Andreachuk
Education Rep



Lauren De Klerk
Fine Arts Rep



Lisa Giovanetto
Management Rep



Kimberley Bose
Health Sciences Rep



Hannah Benner
Calgary Campus Rep



Shashi Kant Ghai
Edmonton Campus Rep

New Temporary Staff



Jiaqi (Max) Guo
International Rep
(May - December)



Bonnie Farries
General Assembly Chair
Municipal Consultant

Permanent Staff

General Manager

Cheri Pokarney

Bookkeeper/Rockerman's Manager

Randy Ockerman

Operations Coordinator

Tracy Merrifield

Executive Assistant

Susan Curtis

Administrative Assistant

Maiko Ogita

Communications Coordinator

Marika Stevenson

Health Plan Administrator

Shelley Tuff

Zoo Manager

Shawn Mullen

Kitchen Supervisor

Scott Shillington

Zoo Server

Aleda Chapin

Positions Hired Annually

Brenna Scott - Volunteer Coordinator

Hi there! My name is Brenna Scott and I just finished my fourth year as an English major at the University. I am 22 years old and have a passion for reading, writing, volunteering, and the outdoors. When I came to the University I was sure that I wanted to go into journalism, but after getting involved with the Students' Union in my second year I found a new passion: student government and public relations. I love helping other students get involved in the campus community and see that there is much more to the university experience than just classes. Once I graduate I aspire to work for a non-profit organization such as the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation or the Make a Wish Foundation. When I am not in the Students' Union office you can most likely find me drinking coffee and curled up absorbed in a book somewhere. *Brenna Scott - 4th Year BA.Sc, English major*

Nikki Stuart - Constitution Analyst

Hi all! My name is Nikki, but you might remember me as "that girl who comes into the office looking for Mike." As I write this, I am enjoying the first day of the rest of my life (read – first day after finishing my last undergraduate exam ever!). What do I hope to do with my life? Well, like many political science graduates I would like to make the world a better place through large scale change. How am I going to do that? I don't know, but if there's one thing I have learned from my time with the Students' Union it's that bright young adults, together, make the greatest difference. If I don't accomplish this, you may come across me going back to school to get my commercial pilots license – something I've always wanted to do. *Nikki Stuart - 5th year B.A., Political Science major & Linguistics minor*



Constitution Analyst
Nikki Stuart

Missing Year in Review Submissions

- Chris Hollingsworth - advocacy reports
- Shashi Kant Ghai - Edmonton campus report
- CJ White Quills - FNMI report
- Hannah Benner - Calgary campus report
- Lauren De Klerk - twoonie theatre report

Advocacy & Representation

Notable ULSU Committee Activity

Active ULSU Committee List

1. Fresh Fest Committee
2. Legislative Review Committee
3. Student Engagement Committee
4. Zoo Management Liaison Committee
5. Awards Committee
6. Elections Committee
7. Transition Committee
8. Recognition Dinner Committee
9. Hiring Committee
10. Event Planning Committee
11. Advocacy Advisory Committee
12. Executive Accountability Committee
13. Health and Dental Appeals Committee
14. Full-time Employee Review Committee
15. General Manager Review Committee
16. Budget Committee

Student Engagement Committee

The Student Engagement Committee (SEC) was a great committee this year for students who were interested in getting involved with the Students' Union. To increase student participation we implemented many great event ideas throughout the year. We encouraged people to join a club by signing up during Club Rush Week and also to attend the monthly Clubs Council meetings headed by our VP Student Affairs, Riley Miller. We batted around ideas about events that were being held, such as the Scavenger Hunt; where we came up with many of the activities that were on our list of things to find or do. We also discussed decoration ideas for the Halloween Cabaret as an example of other things that we did during our meetings. We discussed how we could get more people involved with our volunteer core and, by association, our events, especially for those who were not as outgoing. We did have low attendance at a lot of our meetings but the ideas generated were interesting and creative. It will be interesting to see where this committee will go next year. *Danielle Adams - 4th Year B.A., English major*

Legislative Review Committee

The Legislative Review Committee spent many hours this year reviewing the bylaws and policies of the Students' Union to implement improvements. Some of the policies we changed included the honorarium advancement policy. This was altered so that no honorarium is advanced for the General Assembly members of the Students' Union. We also added some policies concerning club probation and de-ratification. In addition to these, a lot of small changes were made such as grammatical or wording changes to our policies.

This year we accomplished a lot regarding bylaws. In particular, we removed the Board of Governors representative position. Rather than having a representative for this position, we decided that the VP Operations and Finance shall sit on this committee as they will be able to provide more input regarding finances and will be able to better understand what is going on in that committee. An additional General Assembly position was also added; the First Year Representative. This position is for an undergraduate student in their first year of study at the University of Lethbridge, and will be voted in at the time of a by-election in the fall semester. We believe that this position will enable students to get involved with the ULSU at an early stage, and will also allow us to represent and reach first year students better. *Lisa Giovanetto - 2nd Year B.Mgt., Marketing major*

Executive Accountability Committee

The Executive Accountability Committee (EAC) is an internal committee within the ULSU whose mandate is to conduct and organize an evaluation of the Executive Council. The General Assembly and staff members do the evaluation, with the Executive Accountability Committee creating the system of evaluation and analyzing the results. The system of evaluation we used this year was an online survey, which allowed us to collect anonymous reviews. This enabled us to collect results

that truly represent the honest opinion of each General Assembly and staff member regarding the executive's performance. The survey system has been used for the last three years and continues to be a useful and well-constructed tool for feedback. The object of collecting these reviews is to promote transparency within the ULSU and provide feedback for the Executive Council, enabling and promoting improved performance. This year's survey produced some overall excellent feedback including great comments toward the Executive Council's endeavors. The recommendations for change or improvement were to create clearer communication between the General Assembly and Executive Council, and to foster greater

bonding between the General Assembly and Executive Council. These results were discussed in one-on-one meetings between members of the General Assembly and the Executive Council. A report was also presented to the General Assembly during the November monthly meeting. The Executive Council did a spectacular job this year and their efforts in every aspect are well noted. Our results indicated a strong appreciation for this year's Executive Council. Any future incoming executive members have a great group to emulate and look to as examples.
Cameron Howey - 3rd year BA, Political Science & History double major



Executive Council

Sean Glydon, Chris Hollingsworth, Michael Kawchuk, Riley Miller, Lisa Hildebrand

University Affairs - Working Together

Fee Consultation with the U of L

There were a few notable fee changes that the University was looking to implement, such as the removal of the fee associated with applying to graduate. There was a provision for the assessment of a \$10 fee for every student per semester to be allocated to the Fine Arts Department, this will allow students free access to any Fine Arts productions. However, it is a worry that other departments will begin to look at implementing these blanket levies in upcoming years, which is definitely something to watch out for. Please refer to the market modifiers report on page 10 for additional mention of fees as we had several consultation sessions with the Administration regarding market modifiers. *Sean Glydon - 5th year B.Sc., Environmental Science major*

Alumni Association

2014-2015 marks the final year of the current University of Lethbridge Alumni Association (ULAA) President, Grant Adamson. I have gotten to know Grant very well over the past couple of years but especially this year through the Board of Governors and Senate. I have to say, you'd be hard pressed to find a nicer person. The Association will be in good hands as Randy Kobbert will be stepping into the role. The Alumni Association has always been one of our best partners when it comes to putting on events that benefit students' quality of life here on campus, and it has been exciting to discuss future possibilities with the ULAA over the course of the year. *Sean Glydon*

Multi-Faith Prayer Space

A multi-faith prayer space has been an ongoing project for the past year and a half. It has been the goal of the

ULSU to have a designated space allotted for students who wish to pray, meditate, or observe any religious practices that they so desire. Currently, Facilities is having a difficult time finding a room that is sufficiently under-utilized, and one that will provide the necessary space and resources for a multi-faith prayer space. I am hopeful, however that a temporary space (with the hope that a permanent home will be found once the second phase of the Destination Project occurs) will be allocated in the near future. *Sean Glydon*

Destination Project

One of the most important projects that the U of L has undertaken in recent memory, and in fact, the largest capital project that has ever been pursued, is the Destination Project. This includes a new Academic Science building, a power plant, and the renovation of University Hall. The project initially secured 212 million dollars in funding and was slated to be completed in the early 2020's. However, current economic realities in Alberta have resulted in a re-allocation of funds, which means that the project has less money at the outset, and likely will not be built as quickly as was expected. However, it is sorely needed, as the current lab space in University Hall has been out of date for decades, hopefully things will look better after the May 5th election. *Sean Glydon*

Outdoor Wellness Space

The Students' Union approved Quality Initiatives Program (QIP) funding in the amount of \$34,000 to create an outdoor wellness space that could be utilized for half-court basketball, field hockey, volleyball, badminton or tennis. The purpose of this initiative was to encourage healthy living and active sport participation on the part

of our students. Unfortunately, due to budget realities as well as the number of projects that Facilities is currently working on, the project has been moving at an extremely slow pace, and we have yet to have space allocated for it. However, I am hopeful that significant progress can be made this summer. *Sean Glydon*

alleviate concerns or avoid future issues. These talks with students also helped the VP Academic understand growing academic concerns that can later be turned into academic policies or initiatives. *Lisa Hildebrand - 5th year B.A. History major*

Grade Appeal Report

While this year I saw many students with regards to academic grievances, only two grade appeals took place to completion with the assistance of the Students' Union. Michael Kawchuk oversaw the first as it occurred during the summer when I had a time conflict. The second occurred later in the summer and into the fall where I participated in the committee. My general observations, if I can be so bold as to place them here, is that while many students were interested initially in pursuing a grade appeal, there were many reasons along the way that deterred them from completing the process. Some students were able to satisfy their need by talking to their professor, others were intimidated by addressing the dean or did not want to put in the extreme effort it would have taken to produce an appeal package. Overall, the process was intimidating; with little success for improved grades. It was understandable there were so few appeals. However, let it be understood, the Students' Union is only made aware of appeals when the student initiates that contact. It is feasible to assume that appeals take place by students who do not seek representation or guidance from the Students' Union. A large part of my role in grade appeals is not in the final appeal process itself, but to be a supporter of individual students who come to me with their concerns. I find often, I can be of greater help, to offer advice to help



Lobby Groups & Initiatives

Market Modifiers

One thing that we were not expecting to happen this year was the renewal of market modifiers. Several years prior, stakeholders in post-secondary were promised that market modifiers would be one-time adjustments. However, in the summer of 2014, the government reopened the conversation and 26 market modifier proposals were put forward by post-secondary institutions. Every single one of these were approved except for a blanket tuition increase at the University of Lethbridge. However, a per course market modifier for management courses was approved for the Faculty of Management at the University of Lethbridge. While it was disappointing that we were unable to prevent both market modifier proposals, after more than a month of fee consultation with the University administration, as well as very strong government lobbying, the proposals were submitted to government by the U of L's Board of Governors. Hopefully, this is something that the ULSU will not have to deal with for a very long time, if ever again, as this was quite a difficult process to go through, and frankly, one that I hope is not repeated. It was extremely disappointing to see the government go back on their word concerning the implementation of market modifiers.

Sean Glydon



Market Modifier Campaign

Lisa Hildebrand, Chris Hollingsworth, Cameron Howey, Brenna Scott

CASA - Strategic Plan

The CASA Strategic Planning committee was struck this year in order to update the 2012–2015 Strategic Plan. To be frank, the first few months of the committee's life, after being struck in July, were difficult, it was quite hard to get the members together, and work was not being accomplished according to the work plan timelines. However, a few sessions during the November Advocacy Week allowed the committee to catch up, and we were able to get on track, and complete the document by early March, so as to have it ready for CASA's AGM. The committee worked extremely hard, and was comprised of a number of very intelligent and able individuals, and I am so glad to have had the opportunity to have gotten to work with them.

Sean Glydon

Club Handbook

2014-2015

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| 2 | Accounting Club (Edmonton Campus) | 48 | K.O.M.O. Crew |
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| 4 | African Caribbean Student Association | 50 | Latter Day Saint Student Association |
| 5 | Agricultural Students' Society | 51 | Lethbridge Outdoors Club |
| 6 | Amnesty International Club | 52 | Live Action Role Playing Club |
| 7 | Anthropology Club | 53 | Management Student Society |
| 8 | Archaeology Club | 54 | Martial Arts Student Society |
| 9 | Arts Society | 55 | Medieval Club |
| 10 | Association of Political Science Students | 56 | Mixed Curling Club |
| 11 | Audio Engineering Society | 57 | Model UN Club |
| 12 | Bigfoot Club | 58 | Musical Theatre Society |
| 13 | BioChem Club | 59 | Muslim Student Association |
| 14 | Biology Club | 60 | Native American Students Association |
| 15 | Board Games Club - Disbanded | 61 | New Media Students Society |
| 16 | Board, Ski, and Surf Club | 62 | Nursing Student Club |
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| 21 | Chinese Culture Club | 67 | Philosophy Club |
| 22 | Climbing Club | 68 | Pre-Med Club |
| 23 | Co-operative Education Ambassadors | 69 | PRIDE Centre |
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| 25 | Dance Team | 71 | Public Health Students Association |
| 26 | Delta Eta Iota - Sorority | 72 | Rotaract |
| 27 | Design Club | 73 | Social Work Student Association |
| 28 | Economics Club | 74 | Sociology Club |
| 29 | Education Undergraduate Society | 75 | Spanish Club |
| 30 | Enactus Lethbridge | 76 | Spring Breakers Club - Disbanded |
| 31 | English Students' Society | 77 | Students Awareness for Mental Health |
| 32 | Environmental Science Club | 78 | Students for Choice |
| 33 | Finance Club | 79 | Students for Life |
| 34 | Freedom House Student Club | 80 | Super Smash Brothers |
| 35 | French Club | 81 | Swing Bridge Dance |
| 36 | G.E.E.K. Club | 82 | Synthetic Biology Club |
| 37 | Geography Club | 83 | Theatre Arts Society |
| 38 | Global Drums | 84 | Trolls Rugby Club |
| 39 | Headbangers Society | 85 | Uleth Legends |
| 40 | Historical Undergrad Society | 86 | Ultimate Frisbee Club |
| 41 | Inter Varsity Christian Fellowship | 87 | University Catholic Young Adults |
| 42 | International Students Association | 88 | Unscripted Theatre Society |
| 43 | Jazz Club | 89 | Vocal Harmony Singers Club |
| 44 | JDC West | 90 | Wind Orchestra |
| 45 | Kappa Pi Chi - Female Fraternity | 91 | Wrestling Club |
| 46 | Kappa Sigma - Male Fraternity | 92 | Yoga Club |

STUDENT CLUBS



Pre-Med Club



Kappa Pi Chi



Pre-Med Club



Management Student Society



Vocal Harmony Singers



Campus Roots



K.O.M.O



Campus Roots



Management Student Society



MSS



Pre-Med Club



Pre-Med Club



Greek Life



Management Student Society



English Student Society



Vocal Harmony Singers



Chill'n 4 Charity - ULSU Executives

CLUB PHOTOS

Year-end Report

Clubs & Greek Life Year-end Report

The clubs and Greek life did an absolutely amazing job this year with their events, campus engagement and their service to the community. The level of fundraising initiatives I witnessed this year by Rotaract, MSS, African Caribbean Student Association, ORS, Cancer Awareness Committee, Kappa Sigma, Kappa Pi Chi, Delta Eta Iota and so many others was astounding. We also ran out of club funding this year in February, which I only see as a strong indication that we have a very active body of clubs and Greek life here on campus. I found that with the separation of Greek life from club life, they were no longer recognized for any Students' Union awards. So, along with the awards committee, we developed an award that distinguished the Greek life organization that truly stood out in their efforts to shape campus life and the community for the better. Along with that, I also helped fine tune the club probationary policies and allow clubs a friendlier reapplication process should they ever fall into club probation. The last item that is still in development is the Greek life constitution updates, as per the Greek Life Council support. I think a lot of strong new clubs were ratified this year, and those veteran clubs only developed themselves more fully. I am really looking forward to seeing what surprises are in store for next year. I'm also excited to work alongside Danielle Adams as she kicks off her VP Student Affairs role in undoubtedly the next top level year for events and student life on campus. *Riley Miller - 5th year BFA, New Media major and Marketing minor*



Rotaract Fundraiser Event

Riley Miller, Chris Hollingsworth, Lisa Hildebrand, Lisa Giovanetto, Alyssa Andreachuk, Megan Sutherland



MSS Fundraiser - 5 Days for the Homeless

Kingsley Eze, Sean Glydon

Events of 2014-2015

List of Events

- Hokkai Gakuen Exchange Dinner - August 2014
- Project Paint Brush - August 2014
- Farmers Market- August 2014, September 2014
- Fresh Fest 2014 - September 2014
- Club Rush Week - September 2014, January 2015
- Wes Barker, Stunt Magician - September 2014
- Karaoke in the Zoo - September 2014 - April 2015
- Open Mic in the Zoo - September 2014 - April 2015
- Dirty Bingo in the Zoo - September 2014 - March 2015
- Colour Run - September 2014
- Westside Saturdays - October 2014, November 2014, January 2015
- ULSU Garage Sale - October 2014
- F*ck Cancer Fundraiser - October 2014
- Imaginus Poster Sale - October 2014, February 2015
- Trevor Boris & Sabrina Jalees, Speakers - October 2014
- Trick or Eat Food Drive - October 2014
- Halloween Cab - October 2014
- Market Modifier Protest - October 2014
- Volunteer Fair - November 2014
- Wine & Cheese Mixer - November 2014
- Electronic Music Workshop with Jaiprim - November 2014
- Kevin Pearce, Speaker - November 2014
- Ender Bender - December 2014
- Frostbite - January 2015
- Craig Cardiff, Singer Songwriter & Show - January 2015
- Mental Health Week - January 2015
- ULSU General Elections - February 2015
- Constitutional Referendum - February 2015
- Piggy Bank Foodbank Fundraiser - February 2015
- Dodgeball Tournament - February 2015
- Sexy Week - February 2015
- St. Patty's Day Party - March 2015
- Scavenger Hunt - March 2015
- EUS/ULSU Clothing Drive - April 2015
- ULSU Recognition Dinner - April 2015
- The Last Lecture & Teaching Excellence Awards - April 2015
- Last Class Bash - April 2015

New & Recurring Initiatives

Dodgeball Tournament

On January 30, 2015, we held our second annual "ULSU Dodgeball Tournament" in the 1st Choice Savings Center. Arts & Science representative, Megan Sutherland and I planned, organized, and hosted the event. However, this event would not have been possible without our General Manager, Cheri Pokarney's hard work and dedication. This year we had over 120 students participate in the tournament, creating fierce competition throughout the whole event. This was by far the largest turnout this event has experienced and hopefully this trend continues in future years. The tournament was structured into a round-robin warm up section, followed by a bracket style elimination play-off round. An awards ceremony including

food and beverages hosted in the Zoo completed this event. Thankfully, due to the generosity of our sponsors, we were able to give out tons of swag and other prizes, in addition to our awesome 3rd, 2nd and 1st place prizes. This year's grand prize was a limo package, including 2 hours service, no lines and no cover at many establishments and a champagne allowance. The dodgeball tournament engages a large body of students to participate in physical activity, teamwork, friendly competition, and fun. It is an event designed to promote physical health and enable students to blow off steam. All revenue generated at this year's dodgeball tournament has been donated to the ULSU Food Bank. *Cameron Howey - 3rd year BA, Political Science & History double major*

Team Building Initiative

There were two events this past term that allowed the General Assembly and executives an opportunity to get to know each other better and to allow us an opportunity to improve our Students' Union teamwork. The first event took place around Halloween where we started out in the Zoo to enjoy food, drinks, and chatting with one another in a comfortable setting. After this concluded, we all went down to the conference room to carve pumpkins and eat candy. The pumpkins were carved in a tremendous fashion ranging from creative, to more "creative". We all put candles in them and admired our teamwork.

Our second event was a Christmas gift exchange. This was an endearing event as each member of the team really seemed to bring a little bit of their holiday spirit to the event. Everyone was happy, gifts were stolen, and good times were had by all. Over all it was a good year and it was nice to have opportunities like this to get to know the other General Assembly members and see them less as coworkers and more as people. *Brody Gordon - 4th year, BA, Psychology*

ULSU/EUS Clothing Drive & Sale

A few years ago a clothing drive in conjunction with the Education Undergraduate Society (EUS) was started. This drive raised money for a Professional Semester III (PSIII) student scholarship. During PSIII, students are at a school all day and often are unable to work. This scholarship therefore helps them greatly. To prepare for the clothing drive, donation boxes were set up around campus to collect gently used clothes. These clothes were then sorted and sold in the ULSU ballrooms during the weeks of April 7th-10th and 13th-15th. I would like to greatly thank Brenna Scott, Riley Miller, and all of the volunteers for their help with this event. We raised a few hundred dollars which we will combine with last year's total to create a scholarship for a student next year. *Alyssa Andreachuk - 5th year BEd, Science Education major, and Science student, with Biological Sciences major.*

LethCamp 2015

LethCamp is an "un-conference" in which educators come together to discuss educational topics in an open



Team Building - Christmas Event

Lisa Hildebrand, Brenna Scott, Alyssa Andreachuk, Nikki Stuart.



Dodgeball Team

Top row: Sean Glydon, Shilo Zeller, Lisa Hildebrand, Bailey Osberg, Lisa Giovanetto, Brayden Gill, Brenna Scott, Bottom row: Alyssa Andreachuk, Michael Kawchuk, Shelby Ost.



Clothing Drive

discussion manner. I helped plan this event as part of one of my General Assembly initiatives. At this event, educators gathered in the ULSU ballrooms where the topics for the day were chosen. Throughout the rest of the day, educators cycled through different rooms and discussions based on their interest. Some topics included: parent communication, flipped classrooms, first job interviews, and anxiety in students. This was the second annual LethCamp and it went very well. About 40 participants came out this year. We hope to see the event continue to grow next year! Thank you to Johannah Wirzba, Meagan Fullerton-Lee, Andrea Ziel, the LethCamp committee, and the Education Undergraduate Society for helping this event become such a success! *Alyssa Andreachuk*

F*ck Cancer

This event was a personal accomplishment and I am happy that it was such a success. Thanks to the support of the Students' Union, Blueprint events, the Zoo, and the overwhelming support of the Bookstore, we were able to raise

\$6,000.00 to the local Jack Ady Cancer Treatment Centre. *Riley Miller - 5th year BFA, New Media major and Marketing minor*

Wes Barker

Wes was hilarious and put on some incredible tricks that I, to this day, am still quite confused about. He was a great addition to our programming, and I have no doubts that Wes would be happy to come back with a whole bundle of new tricks up his sleeves. *Riley Miller*

Craig Cardiff

I was blown away with the level of support Craig delivered to the students who attended his workshops. He put on an amazing evening performance in the Zoo. The songs that came out of the studio sessions the following day were put together amazingly by the Digital Audio Arts students. *Riley Miller*



Sexy Week

For this year's Sexy Week, leading up to Valentines Day, we kicked things off with an afternoon of classic movies. The Students' Union provided free popcorn and pop and had planned to show the movies Casablanca, the Princess Bride and Top Gun, but due to the Super Bowl on the same day, we cut the evening short. Karaoke for the week had a valentines theme, and we held a draw at the front desk for any students who entered to win a large box of chocolate truffles. On Friday we held our dirtiest bingo of the year, featuring valentine themed prizes, as well as a Date Auction where dates with volunteers were auctioned off to

raise money for the ULSU Foodbank. *Kimberley Bose - 4th year BHSoc Addictions Counselling, Health Science major*

Scavenger Hunt

I was very hard pressed to find a time that worked best for this event. Unfortunately the timing never truly lined up and it made it difficult for students to commit to. However, I have a huge thank you to the committee for helping set up the event, as far as a first run for the event goes the execution of it went smoothly and was super fun! *Riley Miller - 5th year BFA, with New Media major & Marketing minor*

Notable ULSU Academic Events

Academic Speaker - Trevor & Sabrina

Trevor Boris and Sabrina Jalees were the first speakers in this year's ULSU Academic Speaker Series. The event took place at 7:00 pm on October 22, 2014 in the ULSU ballrooms, to an audience of about 150. In an effort to promote different views of academic discussion, Trevor and Sabrina provided a discussion on the diversity in sexuality, with the incorporation of a stand-up comedy portion of their talk. They engaged audience members by tweeting questions and facilitating discussion on the views of homosexuality in society and in their personal lives. Feedback from audience members was very positive, and with the use of humour I think a message of openness and understanding of diversity within sexuality was established. On a purely financial and administrative perspective, attendance was much lower than anticipated, and that resulted in a larger fiscal loss than projected. Tabling for promotions and sales was done 6 weeks in advance so I felt that I contributed the maximum effort for advertising this event. For future events, I recommend a lower estimate of attendance as successful events are often had with less than 100 students in attendance. My personal efforts in promotion was time consuming and stressful, and this can be attributed to the projected numbers being much higher (400) than was clearly feasible. Overall this was a successful event and I would recommend this sort of event in the future.

Lisa Hildebrand - 5th year B.A. History major

The Last Lecture

For me, perhaps the most enjoyable of all the ULSU Academic Speaker Series is the Last Lecture, which was hosted April 15, 2015 at 7:00 pm in the University Theatre. This year Dr. Aaron Taylor (New Media) and Dr. Jo-Anne Fiske (Women and Gender Studies) gave their rendition of their "last lecture" to an audience of nearly 100. As a film studies professor, Dr. Taylor spoke to the misconceptions and necessity of being a "critic" within cinema and its implications within our own lives. Dr. Fiske portrayed a beautiful narration of family life growing up testing the boundaries that surround our lives and the fulfillment she herself has received from doing so. Within this event, students were able to present the award recipients of the Teaching Excellence Awards between the speakers. The speeches that both students and professors gave created a wonderful moment to appreciate the splendid learning that goes on at this university. While support for the event was easy to come by, attendance was lower than in the past, but that could be contributed to a more modest promotion campaign, and that the professors themselves did not overly promote it within their classes. Overall the event was a huge success, and as we were able to video record the lectures others will be able to view and share this fantastic event. *Lisa Hildebrand*

Student Speaker Challenge

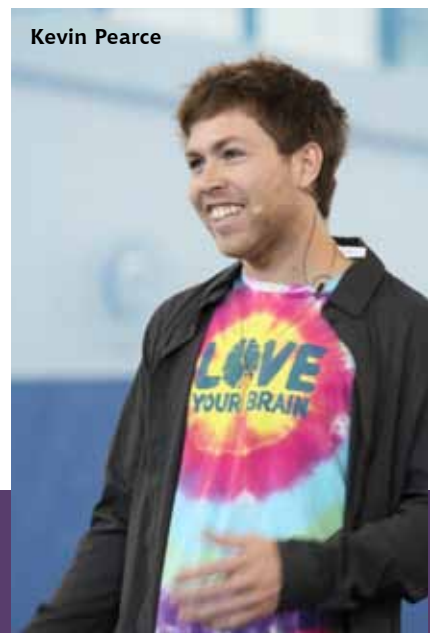
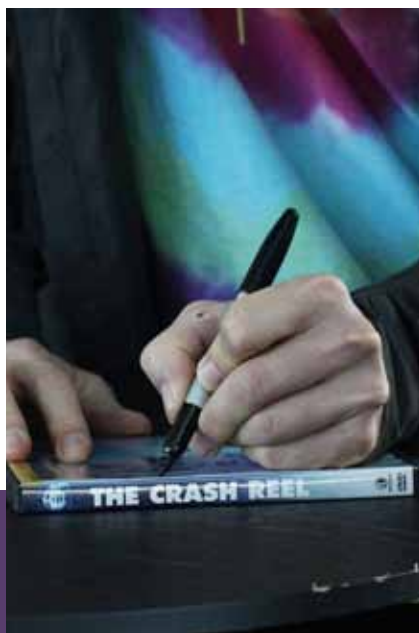
With the partnership between the Southern Alberta Council on Public Affairs (SACPA), the Lethbridge Public Interest Research Group (LPIRG) and the ULSU we hosted the Student Speaker Challenge January 27, February 3, and February 10, 2015. With eight contestants, the three rounds eliminated half of the speakers each time. The three judges representing students, faculty, and community worked diligently to give accolades to the top speakers. In their discussion of civil liberties, each speaker touched on a number of different topics from transgender identify, to freedom of speech in Mexico, to aboriginal civil liberties in Lethbridge. This event took place each week in Markin Hall atrium at 7:00 pm, and attendance was between 20-50 audience members. These numbers seem low, and that is because marketing for this event was focused primarily on the contestants and not the participation of watching the event. This was due to a worry that we would not get enough applications and therefore not be able to run the event. As I share with you now, this is no longer the concern, and future efforts should be given to promoting the interest for students to come and engage in the discussion as audience members. This event will continue to be a success on campus, and I only see its popularity growing.

Lisa Hildebrand

Academic Speaker - Kevin Pearce

Kevin Pearce presented his talk on November 18, 2014 as the second installment of this year's ULSU Academic Speaker Series. His talk took place at 1:00 pm in the gymnasium and was attended by around 100 students. In a continuation of the Speaker Series to promote academic discussion around new topics, Kevin discussed his story of traumatic brain injury and his rehabilitation process after a life changing crash while training for the 2010 winter Olympics for snowboarding half-pipe. As an influential member of the snowboarding community there were many supporters of Kevin in attendance who were thrilled to get their various pieces of snowboard gear signed by the legend himself. While the students in attendance were supportive and spoke positively of the experience, the venue cost was too high for the amount of people who attended. Very similar circumstances that occurred with Sabrina and Trevor were also concerns for this event, promotion and sales happened 4 weeks prior to the event and still attendance was around the 100 mark. I am happy with the event itself, but my advice going forward to future events would be to choose smaller venues, the ballrooms in the Zoo would have been ideal.

Lisa Hildebrand



Kevin Pearce

FRESH FEST 2014



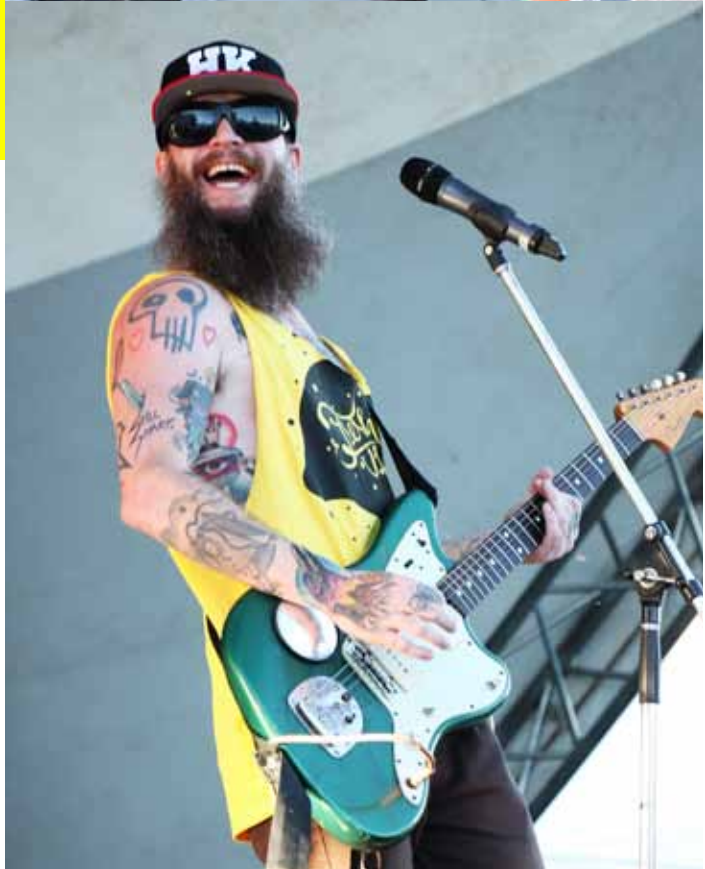
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FRESH FEST REVIEW

I could not be happier with how well Fresh Fest went this year, I'm so proud to see where it has come from and how hard my team worked this year to push the limits in what we could make possible. This year was the first year we've ever hit max capacity for our Jamboree event, and it goes without saying that we had an awesome line up of performers to draw a crowd. From every volunteer we had helping to the finest details on the marketing, our Fresh Fest team this year had the event dialed into a well oiled machine. The implementation of the After-Jam this year was also very well received, it provided students an avenue to continue their festivities in a safe environment on campus and I can only see areas for more to be done with that event in the future. I look forward to seeing what Fresh Fest will branch into next year, and can only anticipate bigger and better things to come.

Riley Miller - 5th year BFA, New Media major and Marketing minor



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Vivint, Boarderline

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FROSTBITE REVIEW

This year the second installment of Frostbite was held during the spring semester welcome-back, and I was very keen to build upon last year's momentum as much as possible.

The plan was to emulate all of the positive assets we had with Fresh Fest and meshing those key elements into Frostbite. We created a Frostbite Facebook page, a Frostbite Volunteer Facebook page, changed "Lemon Sacks" to "Cold Packs", switched lemon stress balls to snowball stressballs, made tall promotional banners to hang in the Fine Arts building, designed event schedules with a timeline and a campus map on the back. One key detail I've come to realize is that, even though we drew parallels to successful features of Fresh Fest, our challenge greatly rests on student engagement where we are limited in the time and power to do so. In principle, and in execution, the Rail Jam was a great success. With many thanks going out to the efforts of Facilities,

our volunteers, Brenna, Cheri, Tracy and the immense time and effort Ian from the Boarderline funneled into this project. The greatest cost on our allotted budget were unexpected costs and poor calculations on revenue from ticket sales to offset those initial costs. Given the time crunch and a smaller break to build anticipation, there was less buy in on the "Cold Packs" which set our estimates way back. I can't speak more highly towards the time and effort put forth by all the aforementioned parties, with their support we were able to make some memories this past January. My only advice moving forward would be doing a full budget revision and weed out the areas that cost us the most last year so that this event can thrive and grow in the environment we've planted it in. I have high hopes for the third installment of the Rail Jam, it's unique personality distinguishes our campus and gives us ample cool points in comparison to other campus events. *Riley Miller*





POSTBIRTH 2015

Campus Community Events

Elephant in the Room Campaign

In partnership with Mood Disorders Canada, during our Mental Health week we launched the Elephant in the Room campaign on campus. The aim of this campaign was to remove the stigma associated with mental illness. The campaign placed small blue elephants around the University in order to provide safe spaces for those suffering from mental illness to talk about what is ailing them, and where they can seek the help that they need. The campaign was very successful, with roughly a dozen University departments participating, as well as ORS taking on 30 elephants to hand out to residence assistants and Housing. *Sean Glydon - 5th year B.Sc., Environmental Science major*

Mental Health Week

This year marked the first annual ULSU Mental Health Week, held January 19th - 22nd. There were a number of things that happened during this week, they included:

- A number of University Departments involved in student mental health being present in the Uhall Atrium during the week, such as the Student Success Centre, and Counselling Services.

- The Elephant in the Room launch.
- Free Zumba, done in partnership with Sports and Recreation Services.
- Burpees for Mental Health, which raised \$500 for the Southern Alberta Self Help Association.

While there are changes that could be made in subsequent years, it was well received by the student body, and filled a critical gap in terms of mental health aid and resources.

Sean Glydon

List of University Events Attended

- Chancellor's Dinner
- Spring Convocation
- Summer Orientation
- Senate Dinner
- John Gill Memorial Tournament
- University of Lethbridge Alumni Association AGM
- New Student Orientation
- Fall Convocation
- IGEM Dinner
- Office of the President's Annual Christmas Mixer
- Career Fair
- Spring New Student Orientation
- University of Lethbridge Donor's Gala

Sean Glydon



Initiatives in the Lethbridge Community

ULSU Car Wash

The ULSU car wash was held in the beginning of August, and this year we tried something new, we held it in partnership with the Lethbridge College Students' Association (LCSA). This allowed us to raise more funds than we could do alone, and also improve our presence in the Lethbridge media scene. We raised money for the ULSU Food Bank, and the LCSA raised money for the Canadian Breast Cancer Society. The event ran very well, it was our second year in a row at Murray GMC, and as always, they were amazing hosts, and provided us with all that we needed, and more.

Sean Glydon

Bright Lights Festival

On November 21, 2014, the 14th annual Bright Lights Festival took place in the Galt Gardens where I represented the Students' Union by volunteering. This annual festival was put on by the Downtown BRZ and marks the lighting up of

the park with thousands of lights. Santa welcomed more than 2,000 people to the park who enjoyed sleigh rides, hot chocolate and movies on a giant screen. Sponsors of the event included London Road Neighbourhood Association, Express Coffee, Premier, and Esquires Coffee, among many more. Local businesses stayed open late for Midnight Madness to help kick off the holiday shopping season.

Michael Gale - 6th year B.Sc. streaming in Neuroscience, Biology, and Geography

Colour Run

On Saturday, September 20th the Students' Union and Volunteer Lethbridge collaborated on hosting our first annual Colour Run. The event consisted of a 5km run around the U of L campus that started and ended in the Grove. After the run, participants were treated to a barbecue and music. Approximately 75 runners signed up for the race and everyone involved had a great time. The ULSU and Volunteer Lethbridge will be hosting this event again in the fall of 2015.

Cheri Pokarney - ULSU General Manager



General Assembly Reports

Non Faculty Year-end Reports

Board of Governors Report

The University of Lethbridge is a bicamerally governed institution. The Board of Governors serves as the upper governing body of the institution, responsible for all the administration and financial concerns of the University. The Board features two undergraduate student representatives, currently consisting of the ULSU President and a separate Board of Governors representative. The manner in which students will be represented on the Board was altered this year during a referendum vote to change the ULSU Constitution. The Board of Governors Student Representative position was removed from the General Assembly and one of the Executive Council members will now take on the role along with the President.

There were several issues of pressing concern to students that were seen during my time on the Board. Certainly the most pressing of these issues were the market modifiers presented during the fall of 2014 to the Management Faculty and an overall undergraduate tuition increase, and the budget cut that the University received in the spring of 2015.

Just shortly before Christmas, the Board received news that the Government of Alberta had accepted the market modifier for the Faculty of Management to start in the fall of 2015, but had declined the overall modifier to tuition. The approval was one of 26 market modifiers approved across all the institutions in the province. Late in the spring of 2015, the Board received news that our operating grant would be cut by 1.4% for 2015-2016 and 3.1% for 2016-2017 by the provincial government. Both of these decisions will undoubtedly have negative long term effects on the quality of education, finances, and student fees at our institution. These cuts and faculty tuition increases also cast a shadow of worry with respect to the tuition cap as it is currently not regulated. This has been a hot topic during the provincial election campaigns during the spring of 2015 to see whether or not it will be removed.

A second major student concern at the Board level was

student representation on the Board's Finance Committee. Student representation was re-examined again this year, and the Board decided to allow the students to have a non-voting member sit on the committee. This inspired the change of having a student on the Board with more of a financial background, a second Executive Council member, the Vice President Finance and Operations. This will give us more pull to have a student sit on the Finance Committee, a change we have been striving for during the past few years.

The Destination Project, which will see the addition of a new major science building on campus and a major overhaul of U-Hall, has been a major priority for the Board throughout the year as the Government of Alberta was announcing a new budget in the spring of 2015. It was announced that we would be given less funding than originally thought, and the timeline for the project has been pushed back. The University had been instructed to come up with additional funds in the ballpark of eighty-thousand dollars in order for the project to continue. I hope that the Board continues in many of the positive directions that I have witnessed this year, while continuing to improve in incorporating the student voice. *Julia Adolf - 6th year Science Education major*

Residence Report

Over the past academic year I was given the honour of serving as president of the Organization of Residence Students (ORS), with its 39 members on Club Council and over a thousand residence students. ORS has demonstrated outstanding efforts and dedication over the past year in regards to supporting the residence community, the University of Lethbridge, and the broader community of Lethbridge. Within residence, ORS has shown great new initiatives this year to improve the quality of our residence community by developing and fostering inclusion and support through social and educational events, social programming, learning and resource opportunities, and everyday interactions with residents.

Some of the social programming that brought residents together this year included: cabarets and RezWars; residence-wide events, such as the 'Superbowl Party' and the 'Oscars Night'; a 'Movie Mill event' to get residents off-campus; a 'Talent Show' to provide opportunities for sharing of talents and confidence building; the 'Success 101 event' for introducing first year residents to learning, coping and study strategies; an 'Ed2500/PSI/II/III' orientation event; Academic Advising and Learning Strategist sessions to support residents in their educational planning; multiple 'Therapy Dog' and 'Health & Wellness' sessions as stress busters during examination periods.

I have also witnessed how ORS has excelled this year in respect to contributions to the U of L community. This year, ORS has had the greatest turnout of students to the Fresh and Breezy Luau during Fresh Fest as ever before, which helped to bring students together in celebration of the new school year. With every member of ORS sitting on a Food Advisory Committee, we achieved improvements of the food services for our U of L community, such as the expansion of gluten-free and vegetarian options at Urban Market, the implementation of more vending machines around campus, and some revisions of the sanitary regulations in food centres to ensure exceptional health standards. Knowing that the ULSU's food bank is a valuable support to hundreds of students and residents alike, ORS members successfully initiated food collection projects that added over 300 items in support of their peers. A used book sale was held by ORS at the beginning of the spring semester that was open for any student at the U of L to re-sell their books to peers. Knowing that the final exam period in December can have serious mental health effects on students, with the support of the ULSU, ORS hung up Christmas lights in various areas around campus to brighten up the mood for students and spread the feeling of community, family, and warmth to the general community. ORS also planned a coulee clean-up event, where residents in teams picked up garbage and helped clean up our campus.

ORS has also showed a great involvement in the broader Lethbridge and Alberta community by delivering various events in support of community services. In the month of October, ORS and residents, in cooperation with the Canadian Blood Services, held a residence-wide blood drive. The event was attended by almost 100 residents and not only got residents to donate blood, but also spread awareness about the current scarcity of blood supplies and the importance of donating. ORS also initiated fundraising and community involvement by entering a team in the 'Relay for Life' event hosted on campus, raising over \$1,000 in support of the Canadian Cancer Society. Numerous members of ORS stayed overnight to show support. In December, ORS and residents, in cooperation with the YWCA, held a residence wide Christmas event that supported the YWCA Harbor House, aiding families in distress. This event involved residents donating to get a Christmas picture taken and supported the YWCA's Stockings of Hope program. This event was highly attended by residents where they delivered over 50 stockings to families and created a great sense of giving to those in need. ORS also participated in the '5 Days for the Homeless' campaign on campus, which supports the Woods Homes Youth Homeless Shelter in downtown Lethbridge. Working with Aramark Catering services, ORS arranged for free coffee to be donated to the U of L community in return for their monetary donation to the campaign. Furthermore, multiple ORS club members participated as 'guest sleepers' for this fundraising event, with one ORS member staying during the whole 5-day campaign raising funds.

In summary, I'm genuinely proud of what the Organization of Residence Students has accomplished this year and am looking forward to what it will become in future years. I have never witnessed a club showing such dedication and passion to improve the quality of life for its members, the U of L, and Lethbridge community. I wish each and every member, whether they are returning to the organization or leaving it to do greater deeds, a successful future filled with moments where they can apply their experience gathered with ORS. *Jan Tuescher - B.Sc., Biochemistry major*

Students' Union Awards

Award Winners

John Brocklesby Students' Union Award of Excellence

2014-2015 Award Winners: Megan Sutherland & Cameron Howey - Arts & Science Representatives

This award was presented to the General Assembly members who have made the most significant contribution to the Students' Union, students, and the University community.

Bill Chapman Students' Union Certificate of Distinction

2014-2015 Award Winner: Lauren Crazy Bull

This award was presented to the University of Lethbridge student who had shown the most innovation in the area(s) of student affairs, wellness, or another notable field over the past year.

Employee of the Year

2014-2015 Award Winners: Shawn Mullen - Zoo Manager & Scott Shillington - Zoo Kitchen Supervisor

This award was presented to the Students' Union employees who had made the most outstanding contributions to the organization over the past year, and best displayed the values of the Students' Union.

Student Employee of the Year

2014-2015 Award Winner: Brenna Scott - Volunteer Coordinator

This award was presented to the Students' Union student employee who demonstrated the most exceptional contribution to our organization over the past year.

Helping Hand Award

2014-2015 Award Winner: Leanne Elias

This award was presented to a University of Lethbridge faculty or staff employee that had made the most significant and lasting contribution to the University of Lethbridge Students' Union over the past academic year.

Outstanding Dedication Award

2014-2015 Award Winner: Sheila McManus

This award was presented to the University of Lethbridge employee in special recognition for outstanding dedication and support to the students of the University of Lethbridge.

Continued Support Award

2014-2015 Award Winner: Murray GMC

This award was presented to the community organization for continued support of the University of Lethbridge Students' Union.

Student of the Year Award

2014-2015 Award Winner: Sara-Lynn Pelegrin

This award was presented to the student(s) 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 and/or student organizations, community, and volunteerism.

Club of the Year Award

2014-2015 Award Winner: Management Student Society

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.

Outstanding New Club

2014-2015 Award Winner: Student Awareness for Mental Health

This award was presented to the Students' Union ratified club that had demonstrated the most outstanding, creative and new endeavours over the past year.

This club was a newly ratified club for the 2014-2015 academic year, they have held numerous successful events/activities and were in excellent standing with Clubs Council.

Greek Organization of the Year

2014-2015 Award Winner: *Kappa Sigma*

This award was presented to the Students' Union ratified Greek organization who had exhibited the most community and campus involvement and support. The nomination for this award came from a third-party, accompanied with a formal letter of recommendation.

Volunteer Award

2014-2015 Award Winners: *Shelby Ost, Honorable mention to Candace Cave*

This award was presented to the most dedicated and enthusiastic student volunteers, specifically for Students' Union events and initiatives.

Legacy Award

2014-2015 Award Winners: *Sean Glydon - President & Michael Kawchuk - VP Operations & Finance*

This award was presented the Students' Union Executive Council members who have exhibited the most outstanding leadership, ethics and dedication during their term.

Teaching Excellence Award

2014-2015 Award Winners: *Wayne Lippa - Chemistry, Abigail McMeekin - Modern Language, Janay Nugent - History*

The University of Lethbridge Students' Union formally recognized and honoured teaching excellence at the University of Lethbridge. We accomplished this by offering students an avenue for nominating a professor, sessional staff or lab instructor who had shown outstanding efforts to increase the learning experience of their students. The award selection was based solely on teaching excellence. The winners were formally recognized as part of the ULSU Last Lecture event in April 2015. The 5th annual Teaching Excellence Awards were awarded to three professors.

1. Wayne Lippa - a chemistry professor who was awarded this year's Teaching Excellence Award for his dedication to

learning and diversifying his teaching to reach as many students as possible. For always making himself available to help students through difficult problems at all times of day.

2. Abigail McMeekin - a modern languages professor teaching Japanese who was awarded this honour for her continued support for students and of her own department following the sudden loss of her colleague. Rising to the challenge to take on the work far greater than expected, she carried on with grace and poise. Always showing enthusiasm for a difficult task, and instilling her students with the determination to strive for better.

3. Janay Nugent - a history professor who was awarded this Teaching Excellence Award for her phenomenal support of her students. Her diverse and inclusive class structure challenges modern perspectives and always encourages her students to find the hidden answers within history. She is a phenomenal support in classroom discussions, and one who truly looks out for her students' success. Her teaching philosophy goes a long way, as she looks to cultivate not only university graduates, but well rounded, engaged world citizens. *Lisa Hildebrand - 5th year B.A. History major*

Laurence Decore Awards

2014-2015 Award Winners: *Frazer Sloan, Alyssa Andreachuk, Brooke Mackay, Braden Beler, Raeesa Jiwa, Sarah Roston*

The Laurence Decore Award for Student Leadership is to recognize post-secondary students demonstrating outstanding dedication. Recipients are selected on the basis of involvement in either student government, student societies, clubs, or organizations. In addition, candidates may be involved in student organizations at the provincial or national level or in non-profit community organizations.

This award recognizes that being a student is being part of a larger learning community. Student leaders are giving something of themselves to the community and the government of Alberta recognizes that these accomplishments are important just like academic, athletic or creative excellence.

Financial Matters

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- Alcohol Awareness
- Case Competition with Faculty of Management
- Chancellor's Dinner
- Clothing Drive with EUS
- Club and Student QIP Applications
- Colour Run
- Edmonton Campus Graduation
- Elephant in the Room Campaign
- EUS Anti-bullying Week
- Final Re-fresh
- Five Days for the Homeless
- F*ck Cancer
- Hokkai Gakuen Exchange
- iGEM - Brick by Brick Dinner
- International Christmas Dinner
- John Gill Memorial Golf Tournament
- LethCamp 2015
- L.P.I.R.G. - Student Speaker Challenge
- MSS Gala
- ORS Christmas Lights Initiative
- Pronghorn Scholarship Breakfast
- Relay for Life
- Rotaract Dinner & Silent Auction
- Round Dance
- Student Art Award
- U of L Library Stress Free Zone
- Volunteer Fair



Fresh Fest Volunteer Recognition Dinner
*Charlie Helmer-Smith, Mike Kawchuk, Alex Glydon,
MJ Vergara, Sean Glydon, Brenna Scott*

External Sponsorship to the ULSU

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Quality Initiatives Program



Quality Initiatives Program (QIP)

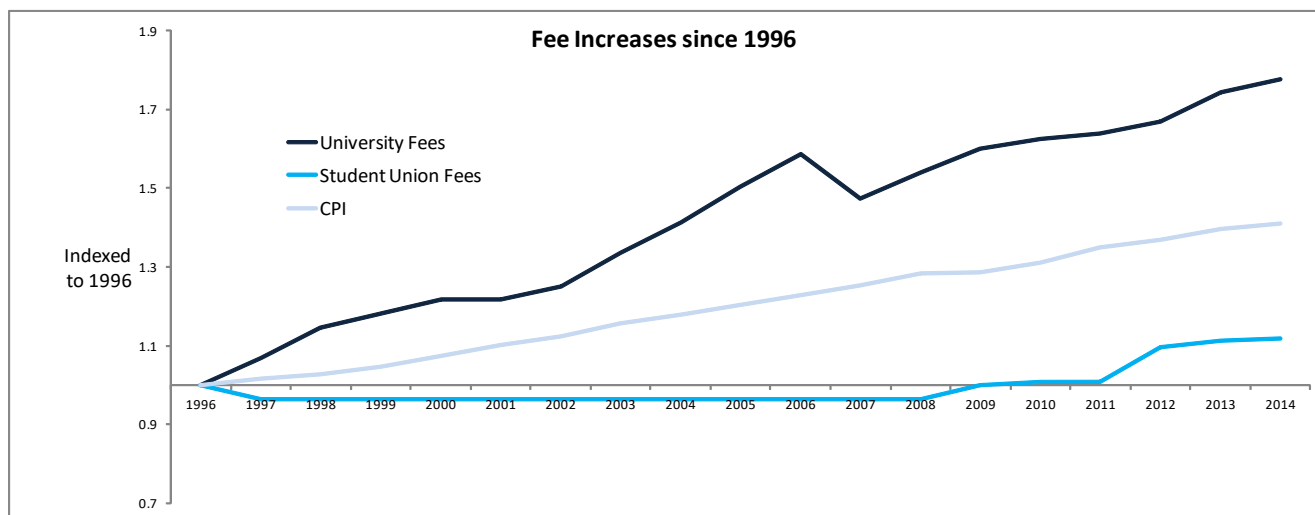
QIP funding was reduced this year from \$437,000 to \$415,000 which meant that we had to do more with less. Funding from QIP made it possible for some great events to happen this year. Fresh Fest was one of the most successful ever and we did it with less funding than in previous years. Space for an outdoor wellness area was allocated to be built on campus and we have begun the process of construction for the space. Many groups utilized QIP to host events throughout the year and we have begun to discourage groups applying for QIP for travel as this has a marginal impact on the student body as a whole. I am concerned about the future of QIP with continued cuts to post-secondary.

Michael Kawchuk - 4th year, B.Mgt, Finance major

QIP Expenditure List

| QIP EXPENDITURES FOR 2014-2015 | AMOUNT |
|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Undergraduate Research | \$75,000 |
| Scholarships and Bursaries | \$210,000 |
| Tutoring | \$5,000 |
| Fresh Fest | \$37,177 |
| Doctors Without Borders | \$2,000 |
| Meliorist Web Site | \$3,500 |
| Outdoor Wellness Space | \$36,000 |
| NASA Food Cupboard | \$2,745 |
| Chinese Culture Club Event | \$4,200 |
| Frostbite 2.snOw | \$9,028 |
| JDC West | \$4,000 |
| Student Speaker Series | \$1,000 |
| Spanish Club | \$3,000 |
| Round Dance | \$2,315 |
| Global Drums Proposal | \$5,895 |
| Last Clash Bash | \$12,875 |
| Additional Grants | \$1,500 |
| TOTAL | \$415,235 |

Student Fee Increase



Funding

Summary for May 1, 2014 - April 30, 2015

| 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 |
| Cardtronics Bursary | 3 | \$500 | \$1,500 |
| QIP Bursaries | 104 | \$1,000 | \$104,000 |
| AWARDS | | | |
| Campus Sustainability Recycling Award | 6 | \$1,000 | \$ 6,000 |
| TOTAL | | | \$226,500 |



Grants for May 2014 - April 30, 2015

| NAME | NUMBER OF APPROVED APPLICATIONS | AMOUNT GRANTED |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Travel & Conference Grants | 72 | \$23,685 |
| Club & Start-up Grants | 59 | \$14,280 |
| Emergency Grants | 12 | \$ 5,800 |
| TOTAL | 104 | \$43,765 |

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 |
| 2011-2012 | 92 | \$24,561 |
| 2012-2013 | 104 | \$32,860 |
| 2013-2014 | 99 | \$32,752 |
| 2014-2015 | 104 | \$43,765 |

Changes & Improvements

ULSU Truck

This year we purchased our first vehicle! The truck has been incredibly useful for hauling items for our events and running errands in town. Before, everything was done with personal vehicles and it was sometimes a difficult process if nobody owned a truck to move larger items. I am happy we purchased one and we have been getting a great deal of use from it. *Michael Kawchuk - 4th year, BMgt, Finance major*

Zoo Improvements

The Zoo had a number of improvements done to it this year. We made some changes in the kitchen to be able to serve food faster. We updated the look with painting and redoing the booth upholstery. Finally we purchased a new speaker system allowing us to save money on renting speakers for our events. These changes kept the Zoo vibrant, something I hope will continue into the future. *Michael Kawchuk*

Meliorist/GA Space

The Meliorist decided to have more autonomy this year. With the changing of their publication from weekly to monthly they decided to limit our ability to publish pieces in their newspaper. Originally the room space was given to the Meliorist in exchange for ULSU publishing pages. With the Meliorist's refusal to negotiate on the publishing of Students' Union pieces in their paper, we moved them to a smaller location in the building so it was more affordable for them. The smaller space was our General Assembly office where we simply traded rooms with them. This provided our General Assembly with additional space to perform their work and the utilization of this space has definitely increased. I am happy to see the Students' Union with space which it can allocate in the future if it sees fit. *Michael Kawchuk*

New Part-time Positions

This year instead of having Assistant Vice Presidents positions we hired a Volunteer Coordinator and a Policy Analyst. This worked very well and I am happy to see two fantastic employees come into the role who are dedicated to the position. Rather than hire someone from the General Assembly, these positions are open to the entire student body and provide 20 hours a month of work. The Volunteer Coordinator, Brenna Scott, performed a number of roles this year as she transitioned to learn more about the organization. She really came into the role giving the executive team a large number of volunteers to help run events. One of the biggest struggles we had last year was getting enough volunteers for our events. This year it was great and really helped with getting the ULSU's name out to the campus community.

Nikki Stuart, our first Policy Analyst, performed a fantastic job learning the complicated structure of the organization. She was tasked with helping the executives write succinct policy for operations of the organization. As the role developed, Nikki performed a number of duties in supporting the executive in their roles. The policy we delivered at the end of the year will help the organization for years to come. *Michael Kawchuk*

Volunteer Core


It was an honor to be hired as this year's Volunteer Coordinator for the Students' Union. Having been the Volunteer Coordinator for Fresh Fest for the past two years I found that I was able to take on this new job quite easily. I started in September by completely revamping the volunteer core list. In the past we have simply used the previous year's list of volunteers but I found this list to be outdated with many of the members having already graduated or no longer wanting to be on the list. Therefore, at Club Rush Week I held a brand new volunteer sign up and thus formed a very successful volunteer core. In the course of the week I had about 80 new volunteers and as the year progressed I managed to get that number up to 120



volunteers. I used my resources as a previous member of the Fresh Fest team to also gain volunteers. Throughout the year I e-mailed the volunteers whenever the Students' Union was looking for help. This included events such as our Academic speakers, the Colour Run, Frostbite, our Food Bank Fundraiser, etc. I also held two volunteer appreciation nights (one in September and one in January) to welcome all new volunteers, gave an update on what events would be taking place, and provided free food and drink. In December, Riley and

I also held a Christmas Gala where we invited all volunteers to dress up, indulge in our free desserts, and get into the Christmas spirit. During this night we also awarded two volunteers a Christmas present to thank them for their incredible amount of hours put into the Students' Union. I hope that we are able to sustain our strong volunteer core with our new incoming council. *Brenna Scott - 4th Year BASe, English major*

Health & Dental Plan

| Health & Dental Plan September 1, 2014 - August 31, 2015 |
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| Fall enrollment: Health 3665, Dental 3663 Family Fall add on: Health 412, Dental 148 |
| Spring enrollment: Health 244, Dental 248 Family Spring add on: Health 6, Dental 3 |
| Health & Dental Plan underwritten by RWAM Prescription plan underwritten by Greenshields Accident Coverage underwritten by Chartis Travel Assist serviced & administered by Alliance Global Assist Plan arranged by C & C Insurance |
|  RWAM Insurance Administrators INC. |

This year the USLU made a few additions and adjustments to the plan, including adding acupuncture benefits and increasing the dental plan coverage. *Shelley Tuff - ULSU Health and Dental Plan Administrator*



Food Bank Donation List

- Ahmadiyya Muslim Community
- Alberta Health Services Train Station Staff
- Angela Fischer
- Aramark
- Ben Giesbrecht
- U of L Bookstore
- CCBN
- CKXU
- D. Hollingsworth
- Dori Rossiter & the Weathermen
- Facilities Department
- Faculty of Management
- Financial Services
- Galt School of Nursing Alumni Association
- Guy Vervoort
- H & H Smith
- Human Resources
- IT Services
- Jim Gunther
- Murray's Chevrolet Cadillac
- ORS
- Pre-Med Club
- Rachel Chamberlain
- ROSS
- Rotary Club
- Sara Yamamoto
- Security Lost & Found
- Starbucks
- Suzanne Lavoie
- Sylvia Oishi
- T Shillington
- U of L Art Gallery
- U of L Board of Governors
- U of L Health Centre
- U of L Senate
- Many other donors

Food Bank Report

The ULSU Food Bank was in high demand this year. We handed out 50 more hampers than last year making it a total of 273 hampers which helped more students than ever before. With the increase in usage we really rely on all the generous donors out there who have helped out the food bank and the students who use it.

The University campus has generously helped us out again this year. Whether it be a campus challenge that pits departments against one another to see who raises the most food, the clubs that host events and donate food or funds collected, the Art Department having an exhibition

with the entrance fee being a donation to the food bank, or the Registrar's Office peanut butter collection. There is simply no end to the generosity of the University of Lethbridge staff, faculty, administration and students.

There were also a lot of donors beyond the University community who donated to the ULSU Food Bank. Thank you to all those donors for their generosity and for thinking of the U of L students in need. Thanks to everyone who donated, big or small, we appreciate everything we are given and your thoughtfulness and generosity make a real impact on the students who are struggling. *Shelley Tuff - Health & Dental Plan Administrator*

Room Bookings & Tenants

Room Booking Summary

| ROOM | ULSU & U of L BOOKINGS | CLUB BOOKINGS | EXTERNAL BOOKINGS | TOTAL BOOKINGS |
|------------------|------------------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Galileo's | 30 | 70 | 1 | 101 |
| Ballrooms | 189 | 216 | 49 | 454 |
| Council Chambers | 86 | 0 | 22 | 108 |
| Table Space | 114 | 151 | 70 | 335 |

ULSU Food Court Tenants

- The Coffee Company
- Smoothie Hut
- Tivoli
- Hiroba
- Subway
- Icy's
- Baadshah Café
- U of L Bookstore
- Rockerman's Service Centre

Elections & Referendums

Spring 2015 Elections & Referendum

Constitution Referendum

QUESTION

"Do you approve of amending the Constitution of the University of Lethbridge Students' Union (ULSU) as proposed by the ULSU General Assembly with the changes coming into effect on May 1, 2015?"

RESULTS:

YES votes: 963 votes - 78.29%
NO votes: 267 votes - 21.71%

Voter turnout: 19.28% (1322 of 6858 voters)



ULSU General Election

The ULSU general election process began February 2, 2015 and ended on March 6, 2015. There was a lot of candidacy interest this year which created a lot of buzz throughout the campus community. There were some positions with no candidates which will result in a September by-election for a Health Sciences Rep, Education Rep, International Rep, First Year Student Rep, and an FNMI Rep.

Overall, we had 1322 of 6858 eligible students who participated in voting. That is a 19.28% voter turnout. The numbers were up from last year's turnout of 19.04%. *Susan Curtis - Executive Assistant*

Constitution Referendum Summary

Summary of Changes:

- Addition of a First Year Representative
- Re-assign the Board of Governors Representative position from the General Assembly to be placed under the Executives responsibility
- Tie breaking vote on all internal committees and elections is placed with the President unless a conflict of interest exists.

STUDENTS' UNION ELECTIONS
vote online:
WWW.ULSU.CA
Tuesday, March 3 @ 9 a.m. - Friday, March 6 @ 3:00 p.m.

Incoming Council

Incoming Council for 2015-2016



Incoming Executive Council for 2015-2016

Chris Vokey, Virginia Brickley, Charlie Helmer-Smith, Danielle Adams, Brenna Scott

Executive Council

President - Brenna Scott
VP Operations & Finance - Chris Vokey
VP Academic - Charlie Helmer-Smith
VP Student Affairs - Danielle Adams
VP External - Virginia Brickley

General Assembly

Arts & Science Reps - Cameron Howey
- Sandeep Parmar
- Jessica Jones
- Cody Ciona
- Hailey Babb
- Kieran Brennan

Residence Rep - Landry Forand

Management Rep - Tye Cusack

Fine Arts Rep - Stephanie Wickham

Calgary Campus Rep - Sadat (Sid) Anwar

Edmonton Campus Rep - Shashi Kant Ghai

Education Rep - No candidate

Health Science Rep - No candidate

International Rep - No candidate

First Nations, Métis, & Inuit Rep - No candidate

Past Presidents

List of Past Presidents



Sean Glydon



Armin Escher, Shuna Talbot, Sean Glydon



Shuna Talbot



Armin Escher



Zack Moline



Taz Kassam



Jeremy Girard



Adam Vossepoel

2014/2015 - Sean Glydon (48th)
 2013/2014 - Shuna Talbot (47th)
 2012/2013 - Armin Escher (46th)
 2011/2012 - Zack Moline (45th)
 2010/2011 - Taz Kassam (44th)
 2009/2010 - Jeremy Girard (43rd)
 2008/2009 - Adam Vossepoel (42nd)
 2007/2008 - Kelly Kennedy (41st)
 2006/2007 - Dustin Fuller (40th)
 2005/2006 - Tyler Tanner (39th)
 2004/2005 - Lorelee Edwards (38th)
 2003/2004 - Paul Daniels (37th)
 2002/2003 - Melanee Thomas (36th)
 2001/2002 - Matthew McHugh (35th)
 2000/2001 - Dezmund Belzeck (34th)
 1999/2000 - Bonnie Androkovich (33rd)
 1998/1999 - Ryan Dunford (32nd)

1997/1998 - Jon Wescott (31st)
 1996/1997 - Jason Shriner (30th)
 1995/1996 - Arthur Wong (29th)
 1994/1995 - Humberto Aspillaga (28th)
 1993/1994 - Poul Mark (27th)
 1992/1993 - Justin Penny (26th)
 1991/1992 - David Legg (25th)
 1990/1991 - Terry Whitehead (24th)
 1989/1990 - Jon Oxley (23rd)
 1988/1989 - Jon Oxley (22nd)
 1987/1988 - Jason Slemko (21st)
 1986/1987 - Dan Laplante (20th)
 1985/1986 - Aaron Engen (19th)
 1984/1985 - Tracy Hembroff (18th)
 1983 ----- - Mike McPhail (17th a)
 -----1984 - Larry Glazer (17th b)
 1982/1983 - Chuck Cosgrove (16th)

1981/1982 - Barry Weintraub (15th)
 1980/1981 - Rudy Peters (14th)
 1979/1980 - Alan Murray (13th)
 1978/1979 - Pat Dortch (12th)
 1977/1978 - Howard Reid (11th)
 1976/1977 - Wayne MacKay (10th)
 1975/1976 - Lee Ens (9th)
 1974/1975 - Darryl Ross (8th)
 1973/1974 - Khym Goslin (7th)
 1972/1973 - Jesse Snow (6th)
 1971/1972 - Ken Runge (5th)
 1970/1971 - Robin Dann (4th)
 1969/1970 - Lamont Nielson (3rd)
 1968/1969 - Richard Wutzke (2nd)
 1967/1968 - John Brocklesby (1st)



Kelly Kennedy



Dustin Fuller



Tyler Tanner



Lorelee Edwards



Paul Daniels



Melanee Thomas



Outgoing Executive Council of 2014-2015
Chris Hollingsworth, Riley Miller, Lisa Hildebrand, Sean Glydon, Michael Kawchuk



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Dezmond Belzeck



Bonnie Androkovich



Ryan Dunford



Jon Wescott



Jason Shriner



Executive Council 2007-2008
Adam Vossepoel, Kelly Kennedy,
Jason Pan, Richie Evans



Past Presidents
Taz Kassam, Jeremy Girard, Adam Vossepoel,
Kelly Kennedy, Dustin Fuller



Executive Council 2008-2009
Adam Vossepoel, Brody Pattenden, Eric Hawthorne, Jen Prosser



Executive Council 2004-2005
Jason Rumor, Clay Campbell,
Loralee Edwards, Kelly Andres



Executive Council 2011-2012
Zack Moline, Andrew Williams, Leyland Bradley, Lisa Rodych



Executive Council 2009-2010
Allan Hall, Jeremy Girard, Alex Massé, Cole Lehto

MISSION

The mission of the University of Lethbridge 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 complements 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.

VISION

The ULSU and 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.

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