

Alumni

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Cohos Commons: kickin' around atop SAIT's new parkade

Trades and
Technology
Complex
takes shape

PLUS
Prominent Alumni
speak out about
SAIT's future



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2000s

Walter Angelo Mussi (*Business Administration – Accounting '02*) went on to complete a Bachelor of Management degree at the University of Lethbridge. In 2005 he started working for PricewaterhouseCoopers in Calgary as an auditor. During his stay with the Calgary firm, he completed the Masters of Professional Accounting program at the University of Saskatchewan and module six of the CA School of School of Business which enabled him to challenge the 2007 UFE — one of the most difficult and challenging exams in his profession — and passed. From there, he decided to explore other career opportunities that led him to Italy where he accepted a position with PricewaterhouseCoopers Rome.

Blaine Trout (*Civil Engineering Technology '03*) is currently working as a project manager for TransCanada Pipelines.

Kaella Carr (*CTSR '03*) started her career in broadcasting at CKBI in Prince Albert before moving to CTV in July 2004. She has been with CTV ever since and now works as a reporter/back-up anchor for CTV in Lethbridge, Alberta. ▼



Megan Wilson (*CTSR '03*) took the editing option while studying at SAIT which led her to a job in Thunder Bay, Ontario shooting and editing wedding videos. She is no longer doing this full time, except occasionally for friends' weddings. However, while shooting videos, she found her true passion in event planning.

Paul Hern (*Computer Integrated Design '03*) started Replicate Designs Inc. along with two partners almost five years ago. Their company specializes in model making, props and prototypes. Through hard work, dedication and the diverse backgrounds of Hern and his partners, their company has grown to be a fully self-sustained and technologically advanced model shop. They were even featured in the May issue of Avenue magazine and the July issue of Elemente magazine. Check them out at www.replicatedesigns.com. ▼



Stephan Laurent Lyonnais (*Civil Engineering Technology '05*) just bought a house and has a lovely two-year old daughter.

Suzy Thompson (*Journalism Arts '07*) has been hired as the new editor of the Nanton News in Nanton, British Columbia. Suzy, who comes from a family of journalists, always knew that she wanted to be in the profession even when she was studying Political Science at the University of Calgary. Her mom, dad, brother and sister are all journalists working in the trade.

1990s

Chuck and Lori Johnson (*Culinary Arts '92*) have led challenging and enriching careers since graduation, including working as chefs at the Rosebud Dinner Theatre in Rosebud, Alberta, cooking at the Pioneer Ranch Camp in Sundre, Alberta, and opening the Eyed Giraffe Café that was chosen as a Treasure of Alberta. The Johnsons are grateful for the training and education they received at SAIT but they say the time has come to “stop and smell the roses.” They now spend their time RV-ing and building memories with their grandchildren. ▼



Ed Bourassa (*Marketing '96*) left Calgary two years ago for a more relaxed lifestyle. He now lives in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan with his wife, Sherry. Ed currently works as the General Manager of Moose Mountain Bus Lines Ltd. He is also the president of the Rotary Club of Moose Jaw and serves on the board of Regina Tourism.

Gwen Rosentreter (CTSR '97) went on to work at CHAT-TV in Medicine Hat for four months before moving to CTV in Lethbridge in October of 1997 to become a writer/producer. She had the pleasure of working with the lovely and talented Ms. Carr (see Class Note from Kaella Carr above) prior to leaving CTV near the end of 2008. She is now the communications specialist for Lethbridge College.

Nicole Leclair-Dodd (Business Administration '99) along with her husband, Cam Dodd, opened their own grocery store in Kimberly, B.C. Sprout Grocery, specializes on locally grown, organic and specialty foods. ▼



1970s

Paul Miller (Journalism Arts '74) has been appointed as the department head for the faculty of English Language Arts at Kyoto International University Academy in Kyotanabe, Japan. He has also had some poetry published in the literary journal, Silver Leaves. He



says he is grateful to his journalism instructors at SAIT for passing on their passion for language.

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1980s

Fred Boheli (CTSR '88) spent a few years in radio after graduation before moving on to becoming a freelancer for just about anything in show production. Today he is the head of technical services for a major entertainment firm and employing RTBN students part time. In one day, he could go from stage, to control room, backstage, or tech repair — he's never quite sure what hat he's going to wear on any given day and that's just the way he likes it.

In Memoriam

SAIT notes with sorrow the passing of the following alumni and former students, and our thoughts go out to their family and friends.

Brian Johnson

Electrical and Electronics '77

Bruce Wilburn Hill

Mechanics

Donald H. Cowan

Welding '73

John Biasotto

Retail Meat Cutting '01

John Martin Buck

SAIT Instructor '89

Kelvin "Jody" Black Horse

Continuing Education '95

In the spring 2009 issue of Alumni LINK, we published the name of Lennox Curle in our In Memoriam section in error. We sincerely apologize for any difficulty this may have caused Mr. Curle.

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Have you moved? Have you changed cities? Do you want to reconnect with former classmates? We can help! Do you have an idea for an alumni event? We want to hear about it! Just call Leanne Makinson at 403.210.4010 or send her an email at alumni@sait.ca.

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