

2010 INDUCTEES



KEN KERNAGHAN (1953-58)

Ken Kernaghan, a distinguished Emeritus Professor at Brock University, is a leading national and international authority on public administration - the structures and processes by which public servants advise government and implement its programs. After graduating from McMaster, where he was President of the Student Union and recipient of the Chancellor's Gold Medal, Ken received graduate degrees from Duke University. He is one of Canada's foremost experts on ethics, accountability and the public interest and, more recently, he has examined the impact on government of advances in information and communication technologies.

In a book of essays in his honour, his academic colleagues described him as "one of the great scholars of his time". He received the Vanier Gold Medal in 1996, became a member of the Royal Society of Canada in 1997, the Order of Canada in 2009 and he has also won several teaching awards. He headed the Canadian government's task force on the disclosure of wrongdoing and his advice is sought by governments at home and abroad. Ken believes that Canadians should be proud of the fine work of public servants in sustaining the country's democratic institutions and fostering economic prosperity and social wellbeing.

ELAINE KLIMASKO (1963-65)

At a very early age, Elaine Klimasko showed unique talent as a violinist even at the age of four. While attending Delta, Elaine won many scholarships and awards while continuing to study on a full scholarship at the Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto. At the age of 19, she joined the National Arts Centre Orchestra of Canada, the youngest member ever hired by that acclaimed ensemble. Elaine, in addition to being a founding first violinist of the NACO, has also appeared as a soloist performing with such world renowned artists as Jamie Laredo, Anton Kuerti and Pinchas Zuckerman. Subsequently, she studied in the United States and Italy with world-renowned teachers. She also did a Sabbatical year at Indiana University. She has been the recipient of Canada Council grants and numerous other prestigious awards.



Although she suffers from dystonia, a medical condition affecting her eyes, she continues to perform nationally and internationally as well as leading a very active teaching career, not only with her private studio but also presenting master classes and training orchestra musicians worldwide. Many of her private students now have distinguished musical careers. In 2003, Pinchas Zuckerman asked her to found the pre-college division of the International Young Artists Programme. Elaine also appeared in the Canadian movie *House of Zuk*. Elaine Klimasko is a renowned musician, teacher and inspiration for future generations of musicians: a wonderful legacy for any individual.



DAVE MCFADDEN (1955-60)

David McFadden, a former Hamilton Spectator reporter, who started writing poetry while at Delta, was short-listed for the Governor General's 2009 Literary Awards. More than 1500 eligible books were submitted with only seventy books named on the short list. In 2008, his *Why Are You So Sad?* book of selected poems was on the short-list for the Griffin Poetry Prize. David McFadden acknowledged that he has been inspired by the American Beat Poet, Jack Kerouac who actually corresponded several times with the young Canadian writer. In 1962, he started at the Spectator as a proof reader working straight nights and eventually becoming a reporter covering police and the courts, city hall as well as a number of feature stories.

He has managed to pursue poetry as a full time vocation in the late 1970's, no simple task given the vagaries of a free lance existence. Nonetheless, he continues to add to an impressive list of books of poetry as well as a novel *The Great Canadian Sonnet* now available in both book and electronic forms. He even started his own literary magazine *Mountain* and served on the editorial board of a number of publications and wrote columns for *Hamilton This Month* and *Quill & Quire* magazine. He has served as writer in residence at the Hamilton and Toronto Public Libraries, Simon Fraser and the University of Western Ontario. In an age where literacy and the written word is under siege, it's heart warming to know that Delta's David McFadden is maintaining the fight for the beauty and significance of the written word through the evocative power of poetry.

LILY ODDIE (1951-55)

Since graduating from Delta's Commercial program in 1955, Lily Oddie has had a remarkable career culminating in a PhD in Educational Psychology, no mean feat for someone not following a traditional academic career path. In a wide ranging career always focused on community service and helping others to develop themselves, Lily also found time to serve 5 years as an MPP at Queens Park and as a Minister of the Crown with responsibilities for Citizenship and Culture, and Culture and Communication which included libraries, museums and art galleries. She also served on the cabinet committees dealing with socio-economic policy and planning, community development and Northern Affairs.

As Executive Director of the St. Catharines YWCA, Manager of Direct Services for the John Howard Society, Director of Continuing Education at McMaster University as well as Co-ordinator of Training & Development at Hamilton's Orlick Industries, Lily Oddie has devoted her whole life to helping individuals, groups and communities to understand and advance themselves. She has also served on the Canada Immigration and Refugee Board and The Council of the Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers. Wherever she has found herself, Lily Oddie has been committed to advancing the well being of others, a fine honour for any individual's career.

