

# The O'Brien Foundation News

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## O'Brien Foundation Alumni Attending Reception at Government House July 20, 2016



*Front Row. Left to right.* Van Burdon (1976), Elizabeth McDermott (1976), His Honour Ronald Vienneau, Her Honour, Lieutenant Governor Jocelyn Roy Vienneau, Lynne Gouliquer (1999), David Ogilvie (1976), Hilary Randall (2006), Alex Fancy (1981)

**Back Row,** David Miller (1978), Luke McNeill (2015), Peter Pacey (1979), Jason Hall (2015), Barry Miller (1977), Phil Parker (1981), Deborah Robichaud (1978), Sean Rogers (2001), Trevor Bringloe (2013).

## **THE O'BRIEN FOUNDATION** Dr. Terrence Montague (1975)

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#### **Congratulations! Order of Canada**

"I think the work of the O'Brien Foundation has been, and is increasingly, a fantastic accomplishment for New Brunswick and Canada. As an original recipient of an O'Brien Scholarship, I appreciate greatly its impact on my career and family. I want to give back to this institution which has aided me, and so many other New Brunswickers, to be the best they can be." - Terry Montague

Dr. Montague, a member of the Order of Canada, is a thought leader in patientcentered health social networks to close care gaps and improve outcomes for our increasingly aged population with chronic diseases.

A prolific author, his publications include many peer-reviewed manuscripts; and, health care texts, including: "Patients First - Closing the Health Care Gap in

Canada"; and "Patient Health Management for Dummies".

Currently, a principal in CareNet Corporation, a health management consulting company.

His leadership experience includes: Vice-President, Merck Canada Ltd; Professor of Medicine and Director of Cardiology, University of Alberta; Professor of Medicine and Director-General of the Center for Research in Disease Management, University of Montreal. He is also a retired Lieutenant Colonel, Canadian Army, and a veteran of service in Canada and overseas.



Kathryn Montague Shaw (Daughter), Dr. Terrance Montague (1975), Sgt. Chantal Farrah (Friend)

## **THE O'BRIEN FOUNDATION** Certificate of Appreciation



*Dr. Jennifer A. Wadsworth receives a Certificate of Appreciation from the O'Brien Foundation Left to Right: Dr. Tim Rolph, Jen's husband, Jen and her sons Billy and Stuart with her mother Ann Wadsworth* 

On August 15, 2016, Dr. W. Barry Miller, Executive Director of the O'Brien Foundation and his wife Carole Linda travelled to Campbellton, New Brunswick and met with Jen Wadsworth, her husband Tim, teenage sons Stuart and Billy, and Jen's mother Ann. The Wadsworth family is from Houston, Texas and Jen was home visiting her parents in Campbellton. Both Jen and Tim are geologists employed by British Petroleum (BP). Jen received her O'Brien Fellowship in 1992. Over the past three years, Jen has donated, with the support of Matching Grants from BP, \$20,000.00.

The Board of the O'Brien Foundation wanted to acknowledge this wonderful degree of dedication and commitment by presenting Jen with a Certificate of Appreciation. This was designed, signed by the Lieutenant Governor, Honourary President of the O'Brien Foundation, framed and presented to Jen at a lunch meeting.



### **Congratulations Jane!**

Jane Thomson

Jane was not able to attend the Reception as she was in hospital expecting the delivery of her second child.

Jane's mother Joanne accepted her Fellowship Certificate.

Jane is currently a Ph.D. candidate in law at Queen's University and a 2016



Vanier Scholar. She holds a Master of Laws from Harvard Law School and a Bachelor of Laws from Dalhousie University. She also holds undergraduate and graduate degrees in political science from Carleton University and Simon Fraser University, respectively.

Recently, Jane accepted a tenure track position at the University of New Brunswick's Faculty of Law commencing in 2017.



Joanne Thomson receiving the O'Brien Fellowship Certificate from Her Honour Jocelyn Roy Vienneau Lieutenant Governor



Avery David Bringloe Born January 28, 2016 with his proud Dad.

#### **Congratulations Trevor!**

Trevor Bringloe

Trevor grew up in Islandview, just outside of Fredericton, New Brunswick, where his passion for science developed at a young age. He pursued his interests in Biology and English Language Arts at the University of New Brunswick under the Concurrent Arts and Science Program, and graduated with a Bachelor of Science (honours in Biology) and a Bachelor of Arts (majoring in English) in April 2012.

Trevor was awarded a \$10,000 Fellowship in 2014 toward his studies leading to a Masters Degree in Biology at the Biodiversity Institute of Ontario (University of Guelph), studying biodiversity patterns of freshwater insects. His Masters work examined the relative importance of environmental factors versus competitive interactions governing species presence and co-existence, and has led to two recent publications in the journals Freshwater Biology and Genome. Today he

continues to study biodiversity at the University of New Brunswick, examining biogeographic patterns of marine algae in the Canadian Arctic. Recent scuba diving field trips have taken him to Baffin Island (NU), Haida Gwaii (BC), Alaska and Norway. Trevor hopes to eventually continue research and teaching as a professor, introducing students to research in our beautiful Bay of Fundy and other marine environments.



Trevor Bringloe and his wife Lauren with the O'Brien Foundation Certificate presented by J. Gordon Thomson, Chair Emeritus of The O'Brien Foundation 2014

## **THE O'BRIEN FOUNDATION** In Appreciation



### Van Burdon (1976) and William Simons

As guests arrive at Government House in Fredericton, New Brunswick for the Annual Reception of the O'Brien Foundation they are greeted with the wonderful sounds of live music by Van Burdon and William (Bill) Simons.

Van is one of the distinguished alumni who return each year to help celebrate with the current recipients of the O'Brien Foundation. Van received his Fellowship in 1976 to pursue Cello Studies at Guildhall School of Music and Drama in London, England.

Van and Bill reside in Clifton Royal, New Brunswick



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### **THE O'BRIEN FOUNDATION** Something New to Consider



There is a new way to make donations to the O'Brien Foundation. Rather than writing one cheque for a significant amount how about making donations on a monthly basis or bi-monthly? Here's how!

- 1. Go to any TD Canada Trust Branch with a void cheque (or direct deposit form). This has all your account details as a prospective donor.
- 2. Instruct TD Canada Trust to make periodic transfers from your account to The O'Brien Foundation account **5080 5236111.** This is done at the teller and they have a special form that you get a copy of for your records.

The frequency of the payments is very flexible and can be changed later at any branch (as can the donation amount). There is no charge by TD for the set up or transfers.

When you do this, send me an e-mail. (drbmillr@nbnet.nb.ca) I'll monitor our TD Canada Trust Account so I can send you an Income Tax receipt at the end of the year. I'll also send you notes as donations are made just to give you the confidence that everything is going as it should.

One of our Alumni Members, Glen Pugh (2000) is already doing this and is very satisfied with this new initiative. We are most appreciative of this kind of donation.

#### We gratefully acknowledge the support of our Alumni & Friends

The O'Brien Foundation is a humanitarian trust operated exclusively for educational purposes. Donations are welcome from any persons or organizations wishing to assist promising students and artists to develop their knowledge and skills through advanced study.

#### Donations to the O'Brien Foundation qualify for tax-exempt receipts. Please get in touch, Contact the O'Brien Foundation

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