

Important Dates

Thursday, December 4

Finance Candidate

2:30 p.m. Presentation

4:15 p.m. Reception

Friday, December 5

International Business Candidate

10:00 a.m. Reception

1:30 Presentation

Friday, December 5

Children's Christmas Party

4:30-6:00 p.m. in ED-514

Saturday, December 6

Teaching Workshop

9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. in ED-619

Saturday, December 6

EMBA End-of-Semester
Celebration (Cohort #3)

5:00-6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 10

Deadline for Claims Reimbursements
prior to Holiday break

Friday, December 12

Academic Staff Meeting

10:00 a.m. – 12 noon in ED-514

Topic: Faculty Mission Statement

Wednesday, December 24

University closes at 12 noon

Friday, January 2

University re-opens

Monday, January 5

First Day of Classes

Friday, January 9

Faculty Council Meeting

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. in ED-514

Business Deans Meeting Last Week

On Thursday, November 27 **Anne Lavack** attended the semi-annual conference of the Canadian Federation of Business School Deans (CFBSD) in Montreal. The agenda focused on three main topics: entrepreneurship education, executive education, and advisory boards.

The session on **Entrepreneurship Education** reinforced the importance of this area in Canadian business schools, and highlighted four business schools that have included an entrepreneurship course as part of their core course requirements. It also focused on the extremely small number of Ph.D. graduates in entrepreneurship over the past ten years, highlighting an important need in this area.

The session on **Executive Education** discussed programs offered by various universities, including corporate universities in China and elsewhere. The trend over the last decade has moved away from offering standardized courses to members of the general business community, toward focusing instead on creating customized courses for companies and organizations. This latter method depends on building relationships with organizations, which is the method that our own Centre for Management Development has been using very successfully.

The session on **Advisory Boards** discussed several models for effective advisory boards and associates programs. Discussion points included the pros and cons of various models, as well as the associated benefits and challenges.

Crowning Achievement Awards

On November 13, 2008 at a special dinner celebration held at the MacKenzie Art Gallery, two of our alumni from Business Administration were honoured at the University of Regina *Crowning Achievement Awards*.

Greg Swanson BAdmin'76 received the Dr. Robert and Norma Ferguson Award for Outstanding Service to the University of Regina and the University of Regina Alumni Association. He is a Regina lawyer who has been very involved with the Alumni Association for many years.

Sheenah Ko BBA'06, along with two others, jointly received the Award for Distinguished Humanitarian and Community Service for their efforts to transport medical and educational supplies to developing nations.

Both of these award winners graciously agreed to be guest speakers:

- Greg Swanson spoke in **Hilary Horan's** BUS 306 Ethical Issues in Business course.
- Sheenah Ko spoke in **Jean-Marie Nkongolo-Bakenda's** BUS 308 International Business course.

Congratulations to these two award winners!

Important Dates

January 16, 17, & 18

JDC West Practice in Moose Jaw

January 23, 24, & 25

JDC West Competition - Edmonton

Friday, February 13

Faculty Council Meeting

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. in ED-514

Friday, February 13

Charity Fashion Show

Business Students' Society

Saturday, February 14

C.A. Convocation in Saskatoon

Tuesday, March 3

CEO Advisory Circle

12 noon – 2 pm in ED-562/ED-514

Friday, March 13

Faculty Council Meeting

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. in ED-514

Thursday, March 19

UR Business Showcase

4:30-6:30 p.m.

Friday, April 3

12 noon – 2:00 p.m.

Keg-A-Rama

Thursday, April 9

Last Day of Classes

Thursday, April 9

Spring Gala

6 p.m. Cocktails / 7 p.m. Dinner

Thursday, April 16

Levene Luncheon Event

Location: TBA

Friday, April 17

Faculty Council Meeting

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. in ED-514

Birth Announcement

- Congratulations to Janèle and Sylvain Charlebois on the birth of their third child, Judith Lyse Nicole Charlebois, born November 29, 2008 at 12:31 a.m., weighing 6 lb., 8 oz. with a length of 20½ inches.

Congratulations!

Raelynn Moorhead has been appointed to fill the half-time term position of *Marketing, Recruitment & Events Coordinator*. Rae will be dividing her time between the General Office duties and the Marketing, Recruitment & Events Coordinator duties until the end of April 30, 2009. Be sure to congratulate Raelynn when you see her!

Calendar – Change of Dates

The list of *Important Dates* in this newsletter has been updated to include dates throughout the Winter 2009 semester. Please update your personal calendar to include the dates relevant to you.

Please note that we have changed the date of our January Faculty Council meeting from January 16 to January 9, in order to accommodate the JDC West practice weekend. We have also changed the date of our March Faculty Council meeting from March 20 to March 13.

Sabbaticals

Congratulations to the following faculty members who have been granted a sabbatical in 2009-2010:

Bill Bonner	6 months	Jan. 1-June 30, 2010
Ronald Camp	6 months	Jan. 1-June 30, 2010
Magdalena Cismaru	12 months	July 1, 2009-June 30, 2010
Jean-Marie Nkongolo-Bakenda	6 months	July 1-Dec. 31, 2009
Arturo Rubalcava	12 months	Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2010
Sandra Steen	6 months	Jan. 1-June 30, 2010

We wish our colleagues a productive and successful sabbatical, and we look forward to hearing about their research and travels on their return.

In the News...

- **Sylvain Charlebois** (with co-author Richard Pedde) published an Op-Ed article in the *Regina Leader-Post* on Tuesday, November 25 about the Canadian Wheat Board (“Farmers need better CWB accountability”). He also published an article about country-of-origin labeling for food products in the *National Post* on Thursday, November 20 (“Will COOL hurt Canadian food exporters?”).

Guest Speakers

- **Alan Levy's** Executive MBA class on Saturday, December 6, 2008 (Negotiation & Conflict Resolution, 1:00-2:45 p.m.) will feature guest speaker Justice Noel S. Sandomirsky from the Saskatchewan Court of Queen's Bench. Faculty members are welcome to attend.

Textbook Publication

- Congratulations to **Sandra Steen** on the publication of *Canadian Organizational Behaviour 7th Edition* (by Steven L. McShane & Sandra L. Steen), McGraw-Hill Ryerson.