

## MASSEY UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Foundation is a trust and a registered charity.

A board of trustees heads the Foundation in a governance role. The members are appointed for two year terms (renewable up to a maximum of four terms) by the Vice-Chancellor, who is ex-officio a member. The Chair is elected by the board members annually.

This year the Foundation has seen the departure of two board members, Paul Bayly who left the board to take up an opportunity in Fiji as Permanent Secretary at Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport, and Brian Ward who departs the Foundation after the maximum eight year term. We must thank both Brian and Paul for their outstanding contributions and support over the years.

New Trustees who join John Harrison, current chair Russ Ballard and Vice Chancellor Steve Maharey are Tony Ryall, Bryan Mogridge and Dianne Kidd. The Foundation is grateful to its trustees who work hard to support the Foundation.

### MEET OUR NEW TRUSTEES



Tony Ryall

**Tony Ryall** is a former Member of Parliament (1990-2014), who served as Minister of Health, Minister of State Services and Minister of State-Owned Enterprises.

He is chair of nib NZ Limited, nib NZ Holdings Limited, and a chair of Transpower New Zealand Limited.

Tony graduated BBS (Accounting and Finance) from Massey University in 1986.

He is married to Kara, and has two children.



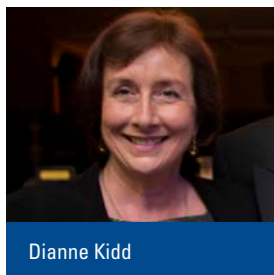
Bryan Mogridge

**Bryan** gained a degree in Biochemistry at Massey. He entered the wine industry as General Manager of Corbans in 1983 before being appointed in October 1984 as Managing Director and CEO of New Zealand's largest and publicly listed wine company, Montana Wines. In 1988 Montana was purchased by publicly listed Corporate Investments Limited (CIL) and during the 1990's Bryan was MD and CEO of CIL.

In 1985 he was elected the Chairman of The NZ Wine Institute (now New Zealand Winegrowers),

and became the inaugural Life Member in 1998. In the same year he was made an Officer of the New Zealand Order of Merit for his services to the wine industry. In 2008 he was inducted into the New Zealand Wine Hall of Fame. During his time as an industry leader, Bryan was instrumental in building a solid export base for all New Zealand wine.

Among his many business interests Bryan is currently a director of Mainfreight, chair of Rakon Limited, a director of Australian listed Adherium Ltd and BUPA ANZ.



Dianne Kidd

**Dianne** graduated from Massey University in 1977 with an Arts degree majoring in Geography.

She enjoyed a diverse career in education and the NZ funds management sector before turning her hand to a number of non-executive governance roles over the last decade.

With her husband Richard Kidd (also Massey University graduate B.Ag.Sc) they actively farm a 376 ha Helensville sheep & beef farm and are the 2016 National winners of the Ballance Farm Environment Awards & Gordon Stephenson Trophy.

Dianne is a Chartered Member of the Institute of Directors. She has recently served on the Board of AsureQuality and is a Director of The Co operative Bank Ltd and Deputy Chairman of Unitec.

Her extensive and continued involvement in primary health and community service in the South Kaipara was recognised in the 2016 Queen's Birthday Honours for her services to health administration.



Our student callers for the 2016 alumni appeal

### 2016 ALUMNI APPEAL

Our alumni appeal is currently underway and it's shaping up to be our biggest and most successful appeal ever. Over the course of five weeks we are reaching out to 84,381 alumni around the world, combining post, email and phone to raise money for the Refectory restoration project and student scholarships.

As part of the appeal, a team of 27 Massey students are working in our make-shift call centre in Tiritea house on the Palmerston North campus. Our student callers are tasked with calling a selection of our alumni to reconnect with them, update them on university news and invite them to make a gift. They will also be asking alumni about their time at Massey, where their careers have taken them since graduation and for advice which will be passed on to the next generation of students.

If you would like to participate but have not received an email, postal form or phone call – don't worry – you can still participate by donating online at [massey.ac.nz/2016appeal](http://massey.ac.nz/2016appeal)



Refectory building, circa 1960

### NEW STAFF



**Dr Liesl Nunn** joined Massey University Foundation in October. Liesl has joined us from the Royal New Zealand Ballet, where she was Philanthropy Manager for 5 years. Previously she worked in tertiary education, from student services and welfare to teaching and research. She is an alumna of Victoria University of Wellington and Oxford University. Liesl is based on the Wellington campus, and will be working on the Refectory refurbishment as well as projects connected to the College of Creative Arts.



# MASSEY UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER NO.10

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**7 November – 13 December:** Massey University Foundation Alumni Appeal

**30 November:** Thank you to our donors function, The Northern Club, Auckland

**1 December:** Thank you to our donors function, The Wellesley Boutique Hotel, Wellington

**7 December:** Thank you to our donors function, Tiritea House, Massey University, Palmerston North

**27 January 2017:** Opening of Wildbase Hospital

### ALUMNI DINNER DANCE

Join us at the Alumni Dinner Dance on the Manawatū campus next March. Saturday 10th of March will be a fabulous evening of great food, drinks and entertainment. Held on the oval outside the Refectory building, all proceeds from the evening will go towards the Refectory restoration. Tickets are \$100. To pre-purchase tickets or find out more information please email [alumni@massey.ac.nz](mailto:alumni@massey.ac.nz)

### KIA ORA TATOU

It's hard to believe that the end of year is once again looming, and what a year it is shaping up to be!

We are heading towards a record number of donors to the Foundation and we hope to see many of you at our end of year donor functions which will be held in Auckland, Wellington and Palmerston North during December. These functions are an opportunity for the University to say thank-you to you for the support you have given over the years and for you to meet and mingle informally with like-minded people who are committed to helping Massey remain at the forefront of education and research.

When you are involved in fundraising you are continually looking forward, trying to achieve the next goal. It is sometimes easy to forget what we have achieved and these newsletters are a great opportunity to stop and reflect on what the Foundation has achieved and difference the gifts we receive are making to the University. Reading the stories, the growing role that philanthropy is playing here at Massey is increasingly evident.

In an effort to increase alumni participation this year we have added a phone component to the annual alumni appeal which is normally conducted only by post and email. While we had some reservations about phoning our alumni, I'm pleased to report that we are having an amazing response, and I am hopeful that this might be our most successful alumni appeal to date with the highest ever participation rates. A huge thanks to those of you that have taken the time to talk to our student callers, I can tell you that they are an absolutely delightful bunch! Calling will continue until the 13th December.

As many of you are aware, Vice Chancellor Steve Maharey steps down this December after eight years in the role. Steve has been a member of the Foundation board over this time and has been instrumental in transforming the Foundation from a passive receptacle for gifts into the proactive fundraising organisation that it is today. Steve will be replaced on the board by incoming Vice Chancellor Professor Jan Thomas. Professor Thomas is currently Vice-Chancellor and President of the University of Southern Queensland in Toowoomba, Australia. The Foundation and board are looking forward to working with Professor Thomas next year.

As I type we are experiencing yet another tremor here in Palmerston North and storm clouds are gathering over the Manawatū campus again. Our thoughts are with friends and colleagues on Massey's Wellington campus and of course in the South Island where it is hard to imagine what people are going through. It is at times like this that the generosity of Kiwis is perhaps most evident as we all pull together to help friends, family and neighbours.

It remains for me just to say, for those of you that I don't see at the donor functions, thank you for your support of Massey, and have a happy and safe holiday season.

Mitch Murdoch, Director Development and Alumni Relations



MITCH MURDOCH

### PALMERSTON NORTH COUNCIL DONATES TO REFECTORY APPEAL

The Palmerston North City Council has donated \$150,000 towards the restoration of the University's historic Refectory building.

City Mayor Grant Smith says the refurbished Refectory will be an iconic asset, not only for the university but for the city and wider region, and will become part of the Palmerston North City Heritage Trail.

Mr Smith visited the Manawatū campus this week to meet some of the students who have been employed by the Massey Foundation to run the telephone aspect of this year's appeal, which is fundraising for the Refectory.

"It's important that Palmerston North City and the University grow closer together," he said. "They have always been close; the city donated some of the land the campus is on and the University donated to the city for the restoration of the Regent on Broadway Theatre."

Built in 1931 in the same era as the recently-restored Sir Geoffrey Perren building, the Refectory was the original dining hall and social space shared by staff and students. It was converted into teaching space when a larger dining hall was opened for the growing student population. The building has been empty for several years as it needs seismic strengthening as part of the restoration, which is expected to cost \$5.3 million.

Both buildings were designed in the Spanish mission style by noted architect Roy Lippincott and built by Fletcher Construction. The University is seeking to fundraise \$3.6 million from various sources including alumni (graduates and former staff).

Over the next four weeks a team of 27 students will be calling alumni throughout the world to reconnect them with the University and find out if they are interested in supporting the appeal.



Palmerston North Mayor Grant Smith with student callers India McJarrow-Keller, James Gilroy, Jesse Brennan, Nicola Johnston, Kanwal Zaidi and Alex Simmons

Foundation director Mitch Murdoch says the idea of employing students to make the fundraising calls had been very positively received.

"We started this week and we've had an amazing response. We know our alumni are passionate about the University and particularly the older ones who all studied at the Manawatū campus. They care a lot about our heritage buildings. They love talking to our young students too and we've had some lovely notes and letters already.

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## NEW NZ GRANTS

Last month the Foundation was pleased to offer 28 Massey students a new New Zealand grant of up to \$5000 each. The grants, totalling \$92,000, come from a fund established in 2010 by the students of Massey University from a student levy charged by the University. The money from the student levy went into an account dedicated to supporting Massey students.

That amount was entrusted to the Foundation for investment and distribution, and over the past six years has grown to a level where it can now be paid out each year. This year the grants were given out to students who showed evidence of furthering their education with the money, or to students who were in financial hardship.

Congratulations to all recipients of the 2016 new New Zealand grants!



### 2016 GRANT RECIPIENT – TOMMY CUSHNAHAN

One of the 2016 new New Zealand Grant recipients was Tommy Cushnahan, a PhD student from Massey's Institute of Agriculture and Environment. Tommy's research involves using hyperspectral imagery to classify and categorise hill farming pasture. Currently in the final year of his PhD project, Tommy will use the grant to visit a world-leading expert in hyperspectral imagery in the United States.

Dr Kurt Lawrence is the Research Leader at the United States Department of Agriculture's Quality and Safety Assessment Unit. His team of scientists undertake research in food safety and quality, working in a similar field of hyperspectral imagery classification as Tommy's PhD research. Dr Lawrence kindly offered to host Tommy at their laboratory in Atlanta to observe their work and partake in discussions with his team.

Tommy's visit to the lab will accelerate his learning of this emerging area of research and allow him to immerse himself in the techniques used by Dr Lawrence and his team. Tommy will use the two week visit to compare and review his own PhD research and generate alternative solutions for his classifications.

Tommy is very thankful to the Foundation for giving him this opportunity and is looking forward to travelling to the States in late 2016.

## DONATION SAVES LIVES AT VET TEACHING HOSPITAL

A very generous donation from Richard and Sue Ousey following the successful treatment of their wire-haired miniature Dachshund, Declan, has enabled Massey's Veterinary Teaching Hospital to upgrade a vital piece of equipment.

A brand new pulse oximeter machine was purchased to treat critically ill patients in the hospital's Intensive Care Unit. A pulse oximeter measures the proportion of oxygenated haemoglobin in the blood in pulsating blood vessels by being placed on a thin part of the animal's skin. Senior Lecturer in Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care, Dr Janelle Wierenga, says donations to the veterinary teaching hospital have a very direct and real impact on the patients and staff.

"Our previous pulse oximeter machines were unreliable and took up significant staff time troubleshooting problems to get them to work properly. The new machine is always accurate so it works perfectly for our critical patients that need it most."

"It's also fantastic for our extra fluffy patients as we now don't need to worry about finding enough suitable skin contact to get an accurate reading".

The donation from the Ousey family also contributed towards the Veterinary Teaching Hospital's 'Not So Lucky' Fund which helps provide the highest standard of medical care to sick and injured pets whose owners would not otherwise be able to afford the treatment they require. Massey's 'Not So Lucky' Fund has helped many pet owners pay for life-saving medical treatment for their beloved animal.

If you would like to find out more about donating to the Veterinary Teaching Hospital please contact Kylie Gibbard at k.gibbard@massey.ac.nz.

## STAFF GIVING SUPPORTS BUSINESS STUDENTS

The Massey Business School is paving the way for staff philanthropy by establishing a staff-funded student bursary for promising students.

The bursaries will come out of the Massey Business School Development Fund, which is one of the most popular funds for staff involved in the Foundation's Direct from Salary Giving (DSG) programme. There are currently 85 Massey staff involved in the DSG programme, donating directly from their salaries each fortnight to 20 separate funds held in the Foundation.

The Massey Business School fund provides a vehicle for staff and alumni to support initiatives that are not funded by student fees or the Government; initiatives such as student bursaries, student leadership programmes and modern teaching facilities.

The bursary has a value of up to \$1500 per year and may be awarded to either an undergraduate or postgraduate student in any study mode. It is hoped that six bursaries can be awarded each year, with at least one bursary intended for a Māori or Pasifika student. The first round of MBS Promising Student Assistance Bursaries will be awarded this month.

Massey Business School Pro Vice-Chancellor Professor Ted Zorn is delighted with the number of staff who give through the DSG programme making this bursary possible saying, "Our staff donors are making a significant difference to the future of the Massey Business School and the lives of our students. Without their generosity, many promising students would not reach their potential.

"These bursaries are the perfect example that even a small contribution each fortnight can have a big impact."

In an effort to encourage more Business School staff to sign up to the DSG programme, the school has agreed to match-fund all DSG contributions from staff, at least until the end of 2016.

## BIOLUMIC RECOGNISED IN TECH AWARDS

Agri-tech start-up BioLumic picked up an award at the launch of the 2016 TIN100 Report and Annual Awards event last month placing second in the list of most promising early-stage companies in New Zealand. The Palmerston North-based company was founded in 2012 by chief scientific officer Jason Wargent, who is a Massey University-based expert on the effect of light on plant growth and development.



The Massey Foundation was involved in the early stage development of the company, donating \$15,000 to the start-up from the Innovation Fund in 2012. It's wonderful to see a pioneering Massey start-up do so well in market, and know that the Foundation had an impact at the beginning of its journey. Congratulations to Dr Jason Wargent and his team on their success!



Final year Veterinary Science student Emily Lewis using the Pulse Oximeter on a greyhound patient.



Participants of the One Health fellowship programme along with programme staff in Bhutan.

## FOUNDATION SUPPORTS ONE HEALTH FELLOWS

This month marks the end of a two-year One Health Fellowship programme for 24 health professionals from some of the world's poorest countries. To round-off the programme, the Massey University Foundation is providing funding for the fellows to attend the Fourth International One Health EcoHealth Congress in December.

The Fellowship programme, delivered jointly by Massey University and collaborating institutions in each of the participating countries, includes doctors and veterinarians from Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan and Nepal. The five day Congress will give participants the opportunity to meet and network with more than 1000 global health experts from 75 countries. Funding from the Foundation has also made it possible for the fellows to partake in a short study tour around New Zealand prior to the congress.

The One Health Fellowship programme is funded by the European Union and provides postgraduate education and applied epidemiology training to strengthen capacity to combat emerging disease threats in developing countries.

Dr Peter Jolly, who leads the International Development Group in the Institute of Veterinary, Animal and Biomedical Sciences at Massey University and is responsible for Massey's One Health Fellowship programme, believes the opportunity to attend the congress and study tour will be hugely beneficial for both the fellows and their countries.

"The aim is to inspire and connect these future leaders from countries facing enormous challenges with global leaders, expertise and initiatives, and to provide an outstanding opportunity for them to gain a global perspective," says Dr Jolly.

"These future leaders completing Massey's One Health Fellowship programme would not be otherwise able to attend the congress or come to New Zealand for the study tour without the support of the Massey Foundation."

The Roger Morris Sub Trust, a separate trust managed by the Foundation, is also providing funding for Massey University to be a sponsor of the Congress which takes place December 3-7 in Melbourne.



### MOVING DAY FOR WILDBASE

Moving day is looming for the Wildbase Hospital Team at Massey's Tūritea campus. They have begun packing all non-essential items ready for the short move at the end of November to their brand new, purpose-built facility on the western side of the Veterinary Teaching Hospital.

The official opening of the new Wildbase Hospital will take place on Friday 27th of January with a mix of special guests, staff and donors expected to attend.

Te Radar, New Zealand comedian and Wildbase hospital ambassador, visited the building site during October to see the progress for himself. He was impressed by the great work the Wildbase hospital team continue to do for our native animals.

As the building process draws to a close so does the fundraising programme for the

Wildbase building with final grants being received from Central Energy Trust and an outstanding \$1,288 from the pupils at Tūritea School.

Once the building work is complete, all donations received for the Wildbase Hospital will go towards funding a Wildbase-specific scholarship for a veterinary student.

If you would like to find out more about this fund please contact Kylie Gibbard at k.gibbard@massey.ac.nz