

Remembering Helen Mo

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Helen Mo, Junior Fellow at Victoria College and PhD candidate in the Department for the Study of Religion. Helen died in her sleep during the early morning hours of April 11, 2017. Her death was unexpected, but peaceful and painless. A brilliant scholar and public intellectual at the heart of several communities across campus, Helen was 33 years old.

Helen had a promising career ahead of her as a scholar of religion in the public sphere in multicultural North America. She held a Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Doctoral Fellowship, an Ontario Graduate Scholarship, and was a Junior Fellow and House Captain at Massey College. Helen was a regular at Vic's High Table, enlivening the conversation with stories of her dissertation fieldwork. Entitled "Evangelicals in the Ethnoburbs: Chinese Christian Imaginaries and the Landscape of the Canadian Dream," Helen's dissertation project was supervised by Pamela Klassen, Fellow of Victoria College, together with her Department for the Study of Religion colleague Simon Coleman, and Ju Hui Judy Han of the Department of Geography & Planning.



Helen graduated from Queen's University with an M.A. in History in 2008 and a concurrent B.A./B.Ed. in 2007. Before commencing her Ph.D. in 2013, she taught English at Kennedy Collegiate Institute in Windsor, where she sponsored the school's first Gay-Straight Alliance, organized the annual Multiculturalism Assembly, and oversaw the school newspaper. Questions of the challenges and promises of religion, multiculturalism, and justice were at the center of Helen's scholarship. She worked closely with Pamela Klassen on an international collaborative research project funded by Germany's Humboldt Foundation, entitled "Religion and Public Memory in Multicultural Societies." A founder and editorial board member of several online publications, including *The Ethnic Aisle, The Elements Experiment*, and *The Sunday Morning Salon*, Helen conveyed her eloquence and insights to broad public audiences.

Helen was a beloved member of the Department for the Study of Religion, and renowned for her warmth, integrity, and unflinching intellectual boldness. An excellent and dedicated teacher, Helen had high expectations and compassion for the undergraduate students she worked with as a teaching assistant. A published poet and a Big Sister, Helen's energy for positively engaging the world with her words and her actions was legendary.

Helen's memory is cherished by her husband, Terrence Liu, her parents, Jane and Sam Mo, her sister Allison, her brother Anthony, and Terrence's family, Pius Liu, Wendy Wu, and Garry Liu.

A Service and Community Celebration in remembrance of Helen will be held at Alumni Hall at Victoria University from 2:00 — 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 23, 2017.

In lieu of flowers or other gifts, donations can be given towards a City of Toronto tree planted in Helen's name, as well as a scholarship created in Helen's honour at the Department for the Study of Religion at the University of Toronto. Further details will be available at http://www.rememberinghelen.ca/

Call for Nominations for Honorary Degrees

Victoria University awards honorary degrees to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of graduates of Victoria College and Emmanuel College and to honour the exemplary lives of others who have made extraordinary contributions to society. Nominations from the Victoria Community are welcome and must be submitted by **January 6, 2017 (now extended to April 21, 2017)**. Further information and the nomination form is available here.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEWS



Margaret Ray and Florence Pratt Award Recipient for 2017

A message from Helen Zias (Manager, Human Resources)

We are very pleased to advise Pasquale Malfara is the recipient of the Margaret Ray and Florence Pratt Award for 2017.

The Margaret Ray and Florence Pratt Award is created with income from a bequest of the late Margaret V. Ray, a retired Victoria University Librarian who died in 1982. This unique and prestigious annual award provides one long service Victoria University employee with a paid leave of absence or money, to travel, pursue vocational interests, attend conferences, study elsewhere or simple retreat from everyday pressures for private reflection. The intention and goal of the award is to provide a long service staff member with time to recreate their energies and revive their spirits.

We sincerely thank Pasquale for over three decades of service to the Victoria University community. Please join me in congratulating Pasquale!

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (416) 585-4558, if you have any questions or comments regarding the Margaret Ray and Florence Pratt Award.



Re-Imagining the Human Story: An Inter-generational dialogue on what it means to be human In Celebration of Lois Wilson's

90th Birthday



Saturday, April 22, 2017

9:30—5:00 p.m.

Victoria College Chapel 2nd Floor Old Vic

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A DAY OF CONVERSATION, EXPLORATION, FUN AND CELEBRATION

Registration for the day is \$25+HST & includes lunch. Detailed agenda and on-line registration at www.emmanuel.utoronto.ca

You can also mail a cheque made out to Emmanuel College, to Betsy Anderson, Emmanuel College, 75 Queen's Park Cres., Toronto, Ontario, M5S 1K7 Contact betsy-anderson@utoronto.ca or 416-813-4096 for questions or concerns or if cost is a barrier to attending.

Your presence is a gift. If desired you may also honour Lois with a donation to the United Church of Canada's Mission and Service Fund, designated for overseas partners. 3250 Bloor St. W., Suite 300, Toronto, M8X 2Y4.

You can also add to "Lois Wilson Lore" in a Book of Remembrances on April 22 or send your best wishes to betsy anderson@utoronto.ca.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

April 19 11:45am (for 12:00 noon)

VWA Annual Luncheon

Guest Speaker, PROF. KEN BARTLETT: "This Most Perfect Paradise: The Papal Palace in Rome". A cheque for \$35 payable to the VWA may be dropped c/o The Victoria Alumni Office, 150 Charles St. W., Toronto, Ont., M5S 1K9. Tickets must be purchased by April 11. Vegetarian and gluten-free lunches must be ordered also by April 10. Unfortunately, we can only accommodate those with luncheon tickets. The VWA Annual General Meeting follows.

Organizer: Victoria Women's Association (VWA)

Location: Alumni Hall

April 20 2:00 pm

IHPST Colloquium: "Constructing the Sheltered Childhood"

Speaker: Dr. Jennifer Light, MIT

More Information: 416-978-5397 or email: ihpst.info@utoronto.ca

Organizer: IHPST

Location: Victoria College Chapel, 2nd floor, Room 213

April 22 9:30-5:00pm

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Organizer: Emmanuel College

Location: Victoria College Chapel, Old Vic 2nd floor

WHAT'S NEW AT VIC?

Please contact vic.principal@utoronto.ca with any news, announcements, honours & awards, scholarly activity or event updates for the Albert Memo by

Friday at 5:00 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

May 1 4:00pm

Victoria College Council (VCC) Meeting

Location: EM119

May 11 4:00pm

Victoria University Convocation: Installation of the 14th Chancellor Carole Taylor and Emmanuel College Graduation

Chancellor Carole Taylor will address convocation.

Members of the academic procession are asked to gather in VC115, Victoria

College Building, no later than 3:30 pm Location: Isabel Bader Theatre



JUNE

June 15 4:00pm

Victoria College Convocation

- 10:15 a.m. Faculty members taking part in the academic procession for the Graduating Awards Ceremony should gather in VC212 with academic costume.
- 10:30 a.m. Victoria College Graduating Awards Ceremony, Isabel Bader Theatre.
- 11:30 a.m. Luncheon in the quad. Everyone is welcome.
- 2:30 p.m. Convocation Hall. Please assemble with academic regalia at the front entrance of the Old Victoria College Building at 1:40 p.m. for departure in the procession to Convocation Hall at 1:50 p.m.

NED'S CAFÉ MENU

Week 4 Apr 17 —Apr21 2017	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Ned's Breakfast sandwich - Served from opening to 10:30am					
Always There Breakfast Choices - Juices, yogurt, milk, yogurt parfaits, fruit salad, whole fruits					
Entrée (Served from 11:00—3:00 pm)	Octoberfest Sausage Scalloped Potato	Jerk Chicken & Rice with Side Salad	Macaroni & Cheese with Side Salad	Beef or Veggie Chili with Garlic Bread	Fish & Chips with Coleslaw
Feature Hot Sandwich (Served all day from 11:00am onwards)	Veggie or Tuna Cheese Melt	Meat Ball Sub	BLT Sandwich	Beef or Veggie Burger	Sesame Chicken or Veggie Wrap
Feature Cold Sandwich Grab and Go (Served all day from 11:00am onwards)	Turkey Avocado	Brie & Spiced Apple	Sesame Chicken Wrap	Roast Beef	Italian Cold Cuts
Feature Salad Bowl Grab and Go	Chef's Salad	Fruit Salad	Protein Salad	Arugula and Goat Cheese Salad	Protein Veggie
Other Salads and Snacks - Daily choices in small containers in cold display					
Soup 1	Smoked Tomato basil	Indian Red Lentil	Cuban Black Bean	Vegan Spinach & Lentil	Woodland Mushroom
Soup 2	Turkey Chili	Minestrone	Chicken Mulligatawny	Canadian Split Pea & Pork	Thai Chicken