

## **Edward D. Bayda, Q.C., LL.D.**

Former Chief Justice of Saskatchewan, E.D. Bayda has provided long and distinguished leadership and service to the people of Saskatchewan and to the broader Canadian community.

Mr. Bayda was appointed to the Saskatchewan Court of Queen's Bench in 1972, served as a judge of that court until December 1974, when he was appointed to the Saskatchewan Court of Appeal. In 1981, he was appointed Chief Justice of Saskatchewan, a post he held for 25 years until retiring in 2006. He was the youngest Chief Justice ever appointed in Canada, the first born in Saskatchewan, the first of Ukrainian descent, and ultimately the longest serving provincial Chief Justice.

During his judicial career, he provided meaningful contributions to Canadian public policy, serving as commissioner for the Vancouver Port Grain Handling Industrial Inquiry, and as chair of the Cluff Lake Board of Inquiry which examined the social, economic and ethical implications of the development of Saskatchewan's uranium deposits. He played an important role in the work of the Canadian Judicial Council and the development of the standard against which the conduct of judges both on and off the bench should be measured.

Mr. Bayda served as a bencher of the Law Society of Saskatchewan, as a member of the Law Reform Commission of Saskatchewan, as a former president of the Regina Bar Association, and as past chair of the Civil Justice Section of the Canadian Bar Association. He played an important role in defining the protected fundamental rights of citizens which are enshrined in the Charter of Rights and necessary to sustain our free and democratic society. Mr. Bayda is a strong supporter of the Regina Symphony Orchestra, the Globe Theatre and the MacKenzie Art Gallery, and patron of Saskatchewan's arts communities.

He was appointed to the Saskatchewan Bar in 1954. In recognition of his service to the Province of Saskatchewan, he received honorary doctorates in law from the University of Saskatchewan in 1989 and the University of Regina in 2006. In 1995, he was chosen as the B'nai B'rith Citizen of the Year; in 2007, as one of the University of Saskatchewan's 100 Alumni of Influence; and in 2008, as a recipient of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress Nation Builders Award. The Honourable Ed Bayda is a recipient of the Canada 125 Commemorative Medal, the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal, and the Saskatchewan Centennial Medal.

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## **Dr. Eli Bornstein**

Wisconsin-born Eli Bornstein; artist, painter, sculptor, writer, editor and educator, moved to Saskatoon in 1950 to teach in the Art Department of the University of Saskatchewan. His contributions to the university included the introduction of a new course, Structure and Colour in Space, which became an area of specialty unique in North America. In 1963, he became Head of the Department and worked in that position through 1971 after which time he continued to serve as an art professor until retirement in 1990.

Dr. Bornstein is best known for the three-dimensional structurist reliefs which explore the interaction of forms and colors in space and light. His trademark medium is a synthesis of painting and sculpture. His previous drawings, paintings, prints and sculptures used impressionist, cubist and abstract techniques. His works reflect his interests in both natural and built environments.

He is known for his large public works, including *Tree of Knowledge*, a 15-foot high aluminium construction for the Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation. His commissions include *Structurist Relief in Fifteen Parts*, an abstract construction for the Winnipeg Airport; a four-part vertical construction for Regina's Wascana Centre Authority; *Hexaplane Structurist Relief No. 3*, for the Canadian Light Source building at the University of Saskatchewan; *Hexaplane Structurist Construction No. 1* for Jacobs University Bremen, Germany; and *Hexaplane Structurist Construction No. 2* for the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg.

Dr. Bornstein is represented in numerous public and private collections. They include the National Gallery of Canada, the Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, the Milwaukee Art Center and the Canadian Centre for Architecture in Montreal. Recently, an exhibit of twenty-five of his works was presented by the Forum Gallery in New York. His work has been shown in solo and group shows in Canada, the United States, and Europe.

In 1960, he founded the international art journal *The Structurist* that is distributed in over thirty-five countries that deals with light, color, space, transparency and structure in art and architecture and their relation to literature, music, science, technology and the environment.

Professor Emeritus, Dr. Bornstein received a Doctor of Letters degree from the University of Saskatchewan in 1990, the Allied Arts Medal from the Royal Architecture Institute of Canada, and is a recipient of the 1977 Queen's Silver Jubilee Medal.

Dr. Eli Bornstein

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Saskatoon

### **Dr. Elizabeth Brewster, C.M.**

One of the few Canadian women published in the 1940s, Dr. Elizabeth Brewster is a prolific author, poet, novelist and short story writer. Born in New Brunswick, Dr. Brewster earned degrees in both Library Science and English Literature. In 1972 she accepted a position in the University of Saskatchewan English Department where she taught for 18 years.

She has published more than twenty collections of poetry, five fiction books and several autobiographical volumes. Her clear direct style and thought-provoking themes captivate her readers. Her works have been recognized with numerous national and provincial literary honours. She is a founding member of the journal *The Fiddlehead* and long-time member of the Saskatchewan Writers Guild and, a lifetime member of the League of Canadian Poets.

Dr. Brewster has taken over the hosting of monthly poetry workshops, originally held by the late Ann Szumilgaski for over two decades. She continues to open her door to new and established poets in the Saskatoon community and host the city's longest standing poetry group.

She has mentored three decades of poets with informed and constructive feedback and encouragement. She continues to make substantial contributions to the artistic and cultural life of Saskatchewan as an academic and an active member of the writing community.

Professor Emeritus, Dr. Brewster is a recipient of the 1953 E.J. Pratt Award for Poetry (University of Toronto), the 1979 President's Silver Medal for Poetry (University of Western Ontario), the Saskatchewan Book Award for Poetry in 2003, and the Lifetime Award for Excellence in the Arts from the Saskatchewan Arts Board. She was short-listed for the Pat Lowther Memorial Award in 1991 and the Governor General's Award for Poetry in 1996. She is a Member of the Order of Canada, a recipient of the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal and the Saskatchewan Centennial Medal.

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Saskatoon

## **Elder Antoine (Tony) Cote**

Elder, Veteran and former Chief of the Cote First Nation, Tony Cote has been an active leader in the Saskatchewan First Nations community and a role model for First Nations youth. He held many senior positions with the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations and was an advisor for Human Resource Development Canada regarding employment services.

Elder Cote played an important role in the creation of many community, education, health and family services that increased the quality of life for band members, including assisting and supporting the formation of Project Safe Haven, a safe shelter for battered women and providing input into the document entitled "Indian Control of Indian Education". He was part of a visionary team of Chiefs that developed the Saskatchewan Indian Federated College now the First Nations University of Canada, the Saskatchewan Indian Cultural Centre and the Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies. He initiated the Yorkton Tribal Council Child and Family Services. In 1995, he was elected as the Yorkton Tribal Council Chief.

A member of the 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade, 81<sup>st</sup> Field Regiment, Royal Canadian Artillery, Elder Cote joined the Canadian Forces in 1952 and served in Korea. On his release from the Army in 1958, he worked as a Supervisor/Recreation Director at residential schools in Alberta. In 1968, he returned to Saskatchewan and became the first Welfare Administrator and Recreation Director for the Cote First Nation. He was elected Chief of the Cote Nation in 1970 and served for eight years.

During this time, the band flourished with the development of the Cote Recreational Complex, recreation programs for all ages, the first all-Indian Junior B Hockey Club, a minor hockey system, a girls' fastball team and a sport facility. In 1974, he founded the Saskatchewan First Nations Summer Games, a sporting event available to every First Nations youth in the province. The Games encouraged training, competition, and healthy life alternatives to young people and were later expanded to include winter events. The Games have provided opportunities for community development and relationship building between reserves and neighbouring communities. He was instrumental in providing additional employment for Cote Band Farm Ltd. and contributed to new housing programs, water, sewer and lagoon systems, and the expansion of the Cote Wood Industries to include a sawmill.

Elder Cote received the Tom Longboat Medal in 1974 and is a recipient of the Saskatchewan Centennial Medal.

Elder Antoine (Tony) Cote

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Regina

## **L. Irene Dubé, LL.D.**

Through her entrepreneurial spirit, community service and philanthropy, Wynyard-born Irene Dubé has set an inspiring example for business and charitable leadership in the Saskatoon community.

Along with her husband, Les Dubé, she made her first private sector investment in 1961 when they purchased a piece of land in Saskatoon. In 1969, they opened an office to manage their growing company. Starting with only three original employees, the Concorde Group of Companies has grown into a diverse company with extensive holdings. Mrs. Dubé provided general management and accounting services for their many business endeavours applying social consciousness along with sound business practices.

Mrs. Dubé served the University of Saskatchewan on its Board of Governors from 1987 to 1989. Her philanthropic efforts in Saskatoon have contributed to a new wing at St. Paul's Hospital, provided financing for several other unmet needs in the areas of surgery, urology and renal care, the establishment of the Breast Health Centre at Saskatoon City Hospital and the Les and Irene Dubé Community Service Learning Program at St. Thomas More College, a style of learning that combines classroom education with volunteer service in the Saskatoon community.

She helped to establish a scholarship fund at St. Therese College for people wishing to further their religious education, and she has taken in young unwed mothers whose parents would not allow them to live at home, and provided them with a home environment until their babies were born.

Most recently, the Dubé's donation of \$3 million – the largest ever received by a Saskatchewan hospital – contributed to the current construction of a mental health centre to replace both inpatient units at Royal University Hospital and Saskatoon City Hospital. The centre will be named after Mrs. Dubé and her husband and is expected to open its doors in 2010.

Mrs. Dubé was recognized during the City of Saskatoon's Centennial as one of *100 Who Made a Difference* and was inducted into the Saskatoon Achievement in Business Excellence Hall of Fame. In 2007, she received an Honorary Doctor of Laws from the University of Saskatchewan.

L. Irene Dubé

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Saskatoon

## **Leslie D. Dubé, LL.D.**

Wynyard-born Leslie Dubé is a community role model whose philanthropy, community service and social investment have enriched the lives of many.

Along with his wife Irene, Leslie has seen their Concorde Group of Companies grow into a large company with diversified business interests across western Canada including motels, apartments, warehouses, strip malls, and fresh fruit and vegetable distribution. He has been involved with a number of charitable organizations, including the Knights of Columbus, the Saskatchewan Diabetes Association, Holy Family Parish Council, the United Way and the James P. Mahoney Institute of the Family.

Mr. Dubé has contributed to a new wing at St. Paul's Hospital, funding the only lithotripter for pulverizing kidney stones in Saskatchewan, the Surgical Special Care Units and the Urology Centre of Health at St. Paul's, the establishment of a Breast Health Centre at Saskatoon City Hospital and the Les and Irene Dubé Community Service Learning Program at St. Thomas More College.

Most recently, he and his wife contributed \$3 million – the largest ever received by a Saskatchewan hospital – to the Irene and Leslie Dubé Centre for Mental Health. The centre will replace both inpatient units at Royal University Hospital and Saskatoon City Hospital. It is currently under construction and is slated to open in 2010.

Mr. Dubé has held a number of leadership positions with charities and non-profit organizations in Saskatchewan and served on the inaugural board of the Saskatoon Economic Development Authority, now SREDA. He chaired the St. Paul's Hospital Board of Management and was a founding member of the Saskatoon Health Authority. He also served as Director and Executive Council Member of the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce, and as a member of the Board of Governors of St. Thomas More College.

Mr. Dubé is a member of the Saskatoon Achievement in Business Excellence Hall of Fame and received an Honorary Doctor of Laws from the University of Saskatchewan in 2007. He received the Congressional Medal of the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Canadian Confederation in 1993 and the Saskatoon B'nai Brith "We are Proud of You" Award in 1994. Mr. Dubé was recognized during the City of Saskatoon's Centennial as one of *100 Who Made a Difference*.

Leslie D. Dubé

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Saskatoon

## **Bob Ellard**

Community builder, master athlete, architect, and business leader, Bob Ellard's leadership has made a substantial impact on his community. His inspiration and encouragement has mobilized hundreds of volunteers for many projects and events.

Mr. Ellard has made countless contributions to the sport of rowing in Regina. He was instrumental in the rebuilding of the Regina Rowing Club and established an annual regatta on Wascana Lake. He redeveloped the Regina Rowing Club, making the sport accessible to a wide range of people and founded the Canadian Masters Summer Sports Festival. He continues as an athlete, official and coach. He has coached at all levels including having coached several of Canada's National Team and Olympic rowers. He served as President of the Regina Rowing Club, the Saskatchewan Rowing Association and Rowing Canada Aviron. He was a founder of the Prairie Rowing Association, and the Vice President of High Performance for Canada at the 1984 Olympics.

He was the Saskatchewan coach at four Western Canada Summer Games and three Jeux Canada Games. As President of the 2005 Canada Summer Games, he was instrumental in the development of the Wascana Lake Revitalization Project, better known as "The Big Dig." He has represented Canada at the Federation Internationale Society d'Aviron Congress and four World Championships.

He was the President of the 1995 Grey Cup committee and went on to become President of the Saskatchewan Roughriders in 1998. He was also Chairman of the 2003 Grey Cup Committee. He has served as Co-chair of the capital campaign for the Regina Palliative Care Inc., Vice-Chair Alpine Canada, President and Chair of the Board for the 2005 Canada Summer Games, Governor and Chair of the Canadian Football League, and Past-President of Rowing Canada Aviron. He was a board member of the Regional Economic Development Authority, and the Hospitals of Regina Foundation, and is currently a board member of Communities of Tomorrow, and Golden Opportunities Corporation.

Mr. Ellard was named to the SaskSport Volunteer of the Year Award in 1988. He was recognized by Rowing Canada Aviron in 1981 as Coach of the Year and in 1988 as Executive of the Year and with the Centennial Medal. Moreover, in 1989, Rowing Canada Aviron recognized him with the President's Award and, in 1990, with the Award of Merit. He is a member of the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame, a member of the Saskatchewan Association of Architects and a Fellow of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada. Mr. Ellard is a recipient of the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal and the Saskatchewan Centennial Medal.

Bob Ellard

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Calgary

## **Gavin Semple**

Gavin Semple began his career with Brandt Industries as a salesman in the 1970's. Since then he has made significant contributions to the well-being of our province through entrepreneurial and insightful leadership. As owner and President of the Brandt Group of Companies, he has turned a small agricultural equipment business into the largest privately held company in Saskatchewan, employing 1,300 people in 25 locations across Canada, with revenues approaching \$1 billion.

Under Mr. Semple's direction, the Brandt Group has increased not only in terms of capital investment and job numbers, but expanded its scope into national and international ventures increasing the quality of employment opportunities for Saskatchewan people.

He has served on several Boards including Saskferco, Doepker Industries, Canada Post Corporation, Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce, Prairie Implement Manufacturers Association, Saskatchewan Research Council, Regina Regional Economic Development Authority, the Saskatchewan Safety Council and others. Mr. Semple serves as Deputy Chair of Enterprise Saskatchewan.

In 2005, Mr. Semple's company partnered with the Regina Exhibition Association (IPSCO Place) and committed annual funding for improvements to the Brandt Centre, formerly the Regina Agridome, and to supply equipment and services required to improve events held in the facility. Through this partnership Brandt supports athletes including the Regina Pats of the Western Hockey League and has made Regina an attractive venue for concerts, conventions and tradeshow.

He also actively supports community organizations such as the United Way, Canadian Cancer Society and the Regina Food Bank. He has contributed to Luther College's efforts to raise funds in order to rebuild their gymnasium.

Mr. Semple received the Rotary Harris Fellowship and was inducted into the Canadian Professional Sales Hall of Fame. Under his leadership, Brandt has received many awards for sales, management and entrepreneurship excellence, including being named one of Canada's 50 Best Managed Companies for seven consecutive years. He is a recipient of the Canada 125 Commemorative Medal, the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal, and the Saskatchewan Centennial Medal.

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