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# Welcome to the 43rd Annual Keyano Gala

presented by Bouchier

This is an exciting evening to celebrate the spirit of education through philanthropy, friendship, music, and food. The money raised at the Keyano College Gala is reinvested to provide further support towards academics, trades, athletics, theatre, and capital improvements with the goal of creating a more positive impact on students' lives.

Keyano College remains committed to excellence in teaching and learning, industry training, and applied research through the delivery of relevant and sustainable programs and services that maximize opportunities for our students.











# TRUSTED SERVICE PROVEN RESULTS





# *Message* From the Associate Vice President of Public Engagement



The Keyano College Gala is a cherished tradition that unites our community in support of education, creativity, and opportunity. This event plays a vital role in raising funds for critical areas, such as academics, trades, athletics, and the arts, ensuring that our students have the resources they need to thrive.

Tonight, as we gather to celebrate and give back, we are reminded of the incredible impact that philanthropy has on transforming lives. The contributions we receive allow Keyano College to continue providing high-quality education and fostering a spirit of excellence in the Wood Buffalo region.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to our sponsors, donors, and all of you attending this evening. Your generosity helps ensure that Keyano remains a cornerstone of learning and growth for our students and the broader community. Together, we are making a lasting difference, creating brighter futures, and strengthening the fabric of our region.

Thank you for your continued support and enjoy this memorable evening.

Chantal Beaver

Associate Vice President of Public Engagement Keyano College

# Message From the Board Chair



As Board Chair of the Keyano College Board of Governors, it is my pleasure to welcome you to this year's Gala. Tonight is a celebration and a testament to the generosity of our community and the belief in the transformative power of education.

The funds raised during this event will go directly to supporting scholarships, enhancing academic programs, and improving our facilities. Your contributions enable Keyano College to continue providing students with the tools they need to succeed in their studies and future careers.

We are immensely grateful to each of you—our sponsors, donors, and supporters—who share our vision of creating a brighter future for students and the entire Wood Buffalo region. Your generosity allows Keyano to thrive as a leading post-secondary institution in Alberta, and we could not achieve our goals without you.

On behalf of the Board of Governors, thank you for your unwavering support. Together, we are building the future of Keyano College and our community.

Enjoy the evening!

**Don Scott** Board Chair

Keyano College Board of Governors



# The voices of Indigenous youth matter.

Indigenous youth have an important role in Canada. That's why we're putting our energy into working with the Indigenous Youth Advisory Council. We understand the wisdom that today's young Indigenous leaders bring, and the power of their voices.

Through listening, sharing and reflection, we can work together to act on issues of mutual interest that are affecting communities and the lives of Indigenous youth.



# Distinguished Mummi Nominees



MELANIE ANTOINE

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Read the complete bios to learn more about the Distinguished Alumni Program

## SPECIAL THANKS TO THE DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI SELECTION COMMITTEE:

Jennifer Moore, Associate Director, Business Development Sarah Popowich, Alumni Association Committee Member Jason Smith, Alumni Association Committee President Rebecca Tait, Director, International Education & Student Life Pratik Tripathi, Executive Director, Keyano College Faculty Association

# Master of CEREMONIES



Brendan Toner is a dynamic leader and passionate advocate for education and athletics in Fort McMurray. As Vice Principal and Athletic Director at Westwood Community High School, Brendan brings over 25 years of experience in shaping student success both in the classroom and on the field. He is also the current Vice President of the

Alberta Schools Athletic Association (ASAA), where he plays a key role in promoting and supporting student athletics across the province.

A seasoned coach and sports enthusiast, he has built and led numerous athletic initiatives, fostering a culture of teamwork and resilience in young athletes. His contributions to education and sports have earned him prestigious accolades, including the HPEC Award of Merit and recognition as one of Fort McMurray Magazine's Top 50 Under 50.

# Auctioneer



Mike Hull was born and raised in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. In 2010, he relocated to Fort McMurray, Alberta, where he soon found a sense of belonging and met his wife. Together, they are the proud parents of two daughters, and Mike is an active and dedicated father. In addition to his teaching career, Mike has been a strong advocate for local sports, currently serving

as Vice President of the Wood Buffalo Sport Hall of Fame. His influence extends to coaching, where he has led numerous high school teams and spent two years as the head coach for the Women's Keyano Huskies Soccer Team.



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# Evening HIGHLIGHTS

7:00 P.M. Hors d'oeuvres & Dessert (available untill midnight)

7:30 P.M. Formal Program

7:50 P.M. Distinguished Alumni

8:00 P.M. Opening Artist - Derina Harvey Band

8:30 P.M. Live Auction

9:30 P.M. Trans-Canada Highwaymen

11:00 P.M. Raffle Draws (50/50, Glitz & Glamour, Lock & Key)

12:30 A.M. Last call for Drink Tickets

12:45 A.M. Last call for Drinks

Times are approximate and subject to change

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



## PRESTIGE

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#### MAIN BUFFET

Miniature Nova Scotia Lobster Rolls

Montreal Smoked Meat Slider

Bacon Wrapped Scallops with Spicy Lemon Aioli (dairy/gluten free)

Broccoli Slaw Cups (vegetarian, gluten free)

Alberta Beef Steak Bites with Sesame Sauce (dairy/gluten free)

Shredded Beef Stew & Bannock

#### **DESSERT**

Nanaimo Crumble Cups Saskatoon Berry Cheesecake (*gluten free*) Apple Pie Butter Tart Wild Berry Crumble Bar (*vegan*)

#### **POUTINE BAR**

(Late Night Snack)

Maple Aioli
Bacon
Green onion
Vegetarian poutine gravy
Cheese curds
Dressing (stuffing)



# Opening Artist

### DERINA HARVEY BAND

Derina Harvey leads the award-winning Celtic Rock group, the Derina Harvey Band (dHb). With a show that offers a fresh take on traditional folk songs as well as a few originals, Derina's vibrant personality takes center stage with humour, storytelling, and, of course, her powerful vocals. dHb has been likened to a "rockier" version of Canada's Great Big Sea, if fronted by Adele, and has earned a reputation as a high-energy live show that leaves many an audience out-of-breath and hollering from their seats!

The band has three albums to their credit, with the most recent being "Waves of Home" (2023). They were also recently the recipients of a 2024 East Coast Music Award in the "Fans' Choice Entertainer of the Year" category.



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# Raffle items



### 50/50

- Get your tickets for your chance to take home half the pot!
- One for \$20, three for \$50 and six for \$75



### Glitz and Glamour

 One lucky winner will bring home a ring from Prestige Jewelers



## Lock & Key Raffle

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### **Dinner & Show**

Provided by The Regional Recreation Corporation of Wood Buffalo and Keyano Theatre & Arts Centre

- Enjoy a specially curated dinner with wine pairings for 8 people at MacDonald Island!
- 8 Tickets to see the Wizard of Oz at the Keyano Theatre
- Transportation to get you around!
   February 2025



### **Oilers Experience**

Provided by Konica Minolta

- 4 tickets to see the Oilers take on the New York Islanders on Tuesday Nov 12th at 7pm.
- These seats are located in the lower bowl so you can be up close to all the action!



### Market your Biz

Provided by Balsom Communications

- Double-page spread editorial
- Full-page ad in 2025 of the winner's choice
- 3 months of YMM Weekly Banner Ad advertising
- Written content & design support included



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## **Custom Party Package**

Provided by Cass & Nat Event Planning, Wildrose Catering , and Cindy-rella Cleaning

- Host a group of 20 people for a party of your choosing
- Full décor services provided
- Buffet of finger foods or appetizers
- Cleaning services to help you after the party



### Hit the Links

Provided by Fort McMurray Golf Course

- 2025 Seasons membership with cart seat
   or
- 30 Individual green fee passes with cart seat (valid for the 2025 season)



# Canadian Fairmont Experience

Provided by Keyano College

- Enjoy a 4-night stay in a junior suite at your choice of participating Fairmont Hotels and Resorts in Canada
- Package is for 2 people in one room and daily breakfast is included!
- Complimentary booking & concierge service to make it easy on you



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### Signed Acoustic Guitar

Provided by LaPrairie Crane

- Fender Paramount Guitar
- Signed by all members of the Trans-Canada Highwaymen



### Ultimate Super Bowl Experience

Provided by Keyano College

- 2 upper-level end zone tickets to the 2025 Super Bowl at Caesars Superdome in New Orleans
- Take in the half-time entertainment by Kendrick Lamar
- Enjoy a 3-night stay in hotel accommodations in New Orleans
- Only 2% of Super Bowl tickets are left, take advantage of this opportunity while you can!

# Headline Performer

### TRANS-CANADA HIGHWAYMEN

The Trans-Canada Highwaymen (TCH) is a super group (your words - not mine) consisting of Moe Berg (TPOH), Chris Murphy (Sloan), Craig Northey (Odds) and Steven Page (Ex-BNL). Four guys who have known each other for (ahem) decades now all of whom have written songs that have contributed to Canadian culture.

They started playing shows together as TCH in 2017. At the shows, each take turns singing their

own hit songs and whoever is not singing lead becomes the backing band for whoever is singing.

With all four bringing their A material, it's a set list full of bangers.

Everyone who has seen the show has been knocked out. Audiences get the opportunity to hear a setlist full of Can-Rock Classics and it also gives Moe, Chris, Craig and Steven a opportunity to hang out together, laugh their heads off and put that energy into the TCH live shows.

In keeping with their credo, "Play the hits!", TCH have recorded an album of Canadian classics from 1969-1975 called The Trans-Canada Highwaymen Explosive Hits Vol. 1. The songs from that era and the packaging they've created are an homage to the K-Tel complain records of the 1970's.



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



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SCHEDULE

#### **BASKETBALL**

OCT 31 | 6 P.M. (F) & 8 P.M. (M)
VS. RED DEER POLYTECHNIC

NOV 1 | 6 P.M. (F) & 8 P.M. (M)
VS. OLDS COLLEGE

NOV 22 | 6 P.M. (F) & 8 P.M. (M)
VS. LETHBRIDGE POLYTECHNIC

NOV 23 | 6 P.M. (F) & 8 P.M. (M) VS. SAIT JAN 10 | 6 P.M. (F) & 8 P.M. (M)

VS. CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

OF EDMONTON

JAN 11 | 1 P.M. (F) & 3 P.M. (M)
VS. CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY
OF EDMONTON

JAN 24 | 6 P.M. (F) & 8 P.M. (M)
VS. LAKELAND COLLEGE

JAN 25 | 1 P.M. (F) & 3 P.M. (M)
VS. LAKELAND COLLEGE

FEB 14 | 6 P.M. (F) & 8 P.M. (M)
VS. THE KING'S UNIVERSITY

FEB 15 | 1 P.M. (F) & 3 P.M. (M)
VS. THE KING'S UNIVERSITY

#### VOLLEYBALL

OCT 25 | 6 P.M. (F) & 8 P.M. (M)
VS. NAIT

OCT 26 | 1 P.M. (F) & 3 P.M. (M) VS. NAIT

NOV 8 | 6 P.M. (F) & 8 P.M. (M)
VS. AMBROSE UNIVERSITY

NOV 28 | 6 P.M. (F) & 8 P.M. (M) VS. BRIERCREST COLLEGE NOV 30 | 6 P.M. (F) & 8 P.M. (M) VS. MEDICINE HAT COLLEGE

JAN 17 | 6 P.M. (F) & 8 P.M. (M)
VS. NORTHWESTERN
POLYTECHNIC

JAN 18 | 1 P.M. (F) & 3 P.M. (M)
VS. NORTHWESTERN
POLYTECHNIC

FEB 7 | 6 P.M. (F) & 8 P.M. (M)
VS. U OF A - AUGUSTANA

FEB 8 | 1 P.M. (F) & 3 P.M. (M)
VS. U OF A - AUGUSTANA





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