

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY
SPRING CONVOCATION
June 11, 12, 13 and 14, 2013

Convocation Address
By Dr. Jack Lee and Dr. Terry Lee
World renowned bagpipers

An honorary Doctor of Fine Arts was conferred on Dr. Jack Lee and Dr. Terry Lee during the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences ceremony on Thursday, June 13, 2013. The following is the Convocation address:

Terry:

Madam Chancellor, Mr. President, honoured guests and graduands:

On behalf of my brother Jack and I, we are ~~extremely~~ grateful for the great privilege of receiving degrees from Simon Fraser University. We feel ~~honoured~~ and humbled to be here sharing this day with you. Our accomplishments are really ~~the~~ accomplishments of many. These would include our families, friends and the amazing members ~~of~~ the SFU Pipe Band over the past 32 years.

Jack and I had the good fortune to be born in a ~~pip~~ piping family. Our grandmother, who got us started on the bagpipes, passed away a few ~~years~~ ago and we had a wonderful service for her.

Today is an extra special day for our family. My daughter Fiona is also receiving a Bachelor's degree from Simon Fraser University in the Faculty of Arts. Jack and I have four sons between us. All four began learning the pipes here at SFU's Four kids program on Tuesday nights. They have now graduated and are strong pipers in the SFU Pipe Band.

These degrees today indicate that our lives have been appreciated and of some value to others. We trust and hope that your new degrees from Simon Fraser University will be exciting accomplishments for you and one that leads to many great moments in your lives.

Jack:

During our 32 years leading the SFU Pipe Band, the band has become one of the icons in the piping world. The band has travelled to Glasgow, Scotland each year for the World Pipe Band Championships. We have been fortunate enough to win the World Championships on six occasions. We also finished second nine times and third many times. Finishing in the top three nearly every year in the past 32 years has almost never been done. We have had the opportunity to perform in many of the World's great concert halls including Carnegie Hall, The Sydney Opera House, Toronto's Massey Hall, The Mon Tabernacle, The Glasgow Royal Concert