



Diane and I were surprised on May 30<sup>th</sup> last year when we met our family for a 63<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary dinner that the Achilles Clement Scholarship Committee secretly organized. Yes, it was a complete shock, as we were completely unaware that this group had raised over a quarter of a million dollars in three months to start a scholarship fund created as a legacy to our family.

2022 was a significant year for Diane and me. It marked our 86<sup>th</sup> and 89<sup>th</sup> birthdays, plus the “Big Surprise” wedding anniversary, and 58 years since founding the Achilles International Track and Field Society. Hundreds of outdoor and indoor track and field events as well as road races have been organized by Achilles during that time as well as founding the Vancouver Sun Run, which has attracted over a million participants seeking an active and healthy lifestyle.

**Clearly, our family supports the Clement Scholarship Committee's efforts to double the fund in the second phase of fundraising. Success will make the scholarships more impactful for UBC and SFU student-athletes and facilitate granting of more and more significant scholarships. We welcome your support.**

