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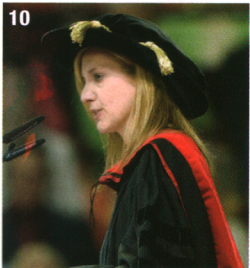
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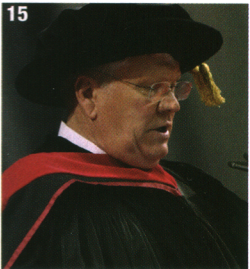
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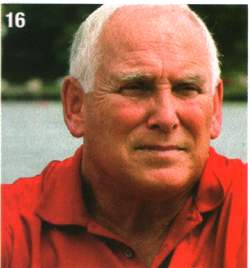


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President's Message



I'd like to take this opportunity to once again welcome the new crop of Santamarians to our Alumni Association. I had the pleasure of meeting many of you at the Spring Convocation ceremonies, and it is my hope that you will Stay Connected with us, whether you attend Alumni events, sign up for our new Outreach Program, enter our Stay Connected Contest, or join our new Facebook Page – visit www.smu.ca/alumni for details on how you can stay involved.

This issue of Maroon & White puts a spotlight on some members of the Class of '09, including an old friend – CBC's Steve Armitage (BA '68, DCL '09), who was presented with an Honorary Doctor of Civil Law at this year's Convocation. We'll also take a look at a few other alumni who are making a splash, both in the water (page 16) and on the silver screen (page 18).

To the greater Alumni community, I hope that you will enjoy this issue, and that you will warmly welcome our new members, whether it be at a football game, through our Outreach program, and especially at Homecoming 2009, which runs from September 24-27 – a perfect meeting ground to meet old friends and make new ones!

During Homecoming Weekend, we will be hosting our Annual General Meeting (September 25, 6:00-6:30 pm, McNally Boardroom), which will lead into the President's Wine & Cheese and presentation of the 2009 Alumni Awards. Not only are these great opportunities to find out what the Alumni Association has in store for 2009-2010 and beyond, but it's your opportunity to have a say in the adoption of new amendments to our Constitution – which you can view on our aforementioned website.

This new proposed Constitution reflects a concerted effort to better define the role of the Alumni Association, and working with the Board of Governors towards the overall enhancement of Saint Mary's University. I would to personally like to acknowledge the team who worked diligently on your behalf.

Ultimately, it's your Alumni Association, so we welcome your thoughts on what we're doing and where we're heading. Please let us know what you think – (902) 420-5420 / alumni@smu.ca.

Yours truly,

Stephen Kelly
President
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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION • CONSTITUTION UPDATE

The Alumni Association will be voting on proposed revisions to its Constitution at our Annual General Meeting, to be held Friday, September 25, 2009, 6:00-6:30 pm, McNally Board Room, Saint Mary's University.

Please visit www.smu.ca/alumni to view the revised document.

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Greetings to alumni everywhere!

It's an exciting time to be back at Saint Mary's. Some things are new; the Science Building and the Atrium signal an era of new research facilities and new learning centres. Even the McNally Building is undergoing renovations.

And some things don't change. While it's been several decades since I sat in my first Anthropology class, I still feel drawn to the adventures that await students at the start of each academic year. And as I hear about archeology students who have the opportunity to spend part of their summer excavating a Roman villa, I am torn between amazement and envy.

I arrived on campus in July from Nova Scotia Power where I was Manager of Public Affairs. My public affairs career spans the provincial government where I worked in various departments, and in the Premier's Office under then Premier Russell MacLellan.

I clearly loved attending university classes as I have a Bachelor of Arts, Honours (Classics) from Dalhousie and a Master of Arts (Journalism) from the University of Western Ontario. If I was not already on campus working for Saint Mary's, I'd be coming back to take continuing education courses as a lifelong learner.

I look forward to working with the Saint Mary's Alumni Association during this exciting time of renewal. I hope to meet many of you during

Homecoming and would be happy to give you a sneak preview of our new Atrium and Global Learning Commons.

My office door in the External Affairs House at 5907 Goresbrook Avenue is always open. You can contact me directly by phone at 902.420.5517 or e-mail margaret.murphy@smu.ca

Sincerely,

Margaret Murphy
Associate Vice President, External Affairs



THE ATRIUM TO OPEN THIS FALL

The much-anticipated Atrium is set to open later this fall. This \$17.5 million "green" building built to Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification standards couldn't have been built without the generous support of the Saint Mary's community that includes our alumni, faculty, staff and students as well as donations from businesses, foundations and the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency.

The Atrium's green attributes include a three-storey "living wall" that helps purify the indoor air and an experimental green roof where native plants growing on the rooftop help insulate the building. These green features are a living example of the University's Sustainability Strategy.

The Atrium's main focal point is the **Global Learning Commons**, a student-centred open learning environment that offers learning resources and services to help learners transform information into knowledge. The Global Commons serves as a gateway to the Patrick Power Library and the Centre for Academic and Instructional Development and connects learners to other learning support service on campus such as the Writing Centre, the Atlantic Center of Research, Access and Support for Students with Disabilities and the Information Technology Den.

Special sneak previews of the Atrium will be held during Homecoming. If you are interested in a guided tour of this fabulous new addition to our campus, contact Amy at 902.420.5518 or amy.kennedy@smu.ca to register.

McNally gets a Facelift!

The McNally Building has seen many changes over the years. Completed in 1952, this recognizable landmark will receive major upgrades and renovations over the next 18 months thanks to the federal government's Knowledge Infrastructure Program. This \$26 million McNally – North Campus Infrastructure Project also includes renovations to the Burke Building and the Patrick Power Library.

These major renovations will provide many new learning opportunities for Saint Mary's undergraduate and graduate students and significantly improve our research capacity. To follow the progress of this project, visit www.smu.ca for details.



Get onboard the Saint Mary's bus!

The Huskies are getting a new sled.

Saint Mary's University has signed a four-year lease with Ambassatours for the use of a 48-seat cruiser. The bus features leather seats, a rear kitchen galley (with coffee maker, fridge and microwave), two sets of reversing seats with tables, Wi-Fi internet, power receptacles for laptops, eight-channel seat-back audio systems, tray tables, and of course, a washroom. It also has three-point seat belts for each seat, the first bus of its size in Atlantic Canada to provide such a safety feature.

Huskies teams will use the bus to travel to games throughout Atlantic Canada and to interlock in Quebec and Ontario – maybe even to the Vanier Cup at Laval. Beyond that, it will be open to other groups on campus and to the Alumni Office.

For example, the Faculty of Science plans to use the bus for field trips. Likewise, the bus will play a key role in helping recruit students to Saint Mary's. According to Dr. Paul Dixon, Associate Vice President (Enrolment) and Registrar, plans are already in place to use the bus for things like bringing high school counsellors and students from across the province to campus. The maroon and white bus has a full wrap, meaning that it is covered with images representing student life at Saint Mary's. These images include Huskies athletes in action as well as students studying, relaxing, working in labs, and exploring an archaeological dig. Key to the design is the prominent placement of the question "Where will you go?" – the centerpiece of the University's current award winning advertising campaign.

Dr. Dixon sees the bus as a dynamic way to promote Saint Mary's in the community and throughout the province. "Whether the bus is parked or rolling down the highway, people will



Saint Mary's students check out the new bus. From L-R: Cory Chipman, Taylor Comeau and Omar Lodge.

be given a sense of the excellence of our programs, our sports teams and the opportunities that Saint Mary's offers," he said.

Steve Sarty, Director of Athletics and Recreation, agreed the bus will be a valuable recruiting tool, a good marketing vehicle for the University, and added it will also help get Huskies teams ready for action after long hours of travel.

"It's going to make the athletes aware that they are playing at the top level – which is what we want the athletes to feel," said Sarty. "It gives them a sense of pride when they show up at a game in a bus that looks good and feels good. Picture pulling onto a competitive campus in the Saint Mary's bus – everybody will know the Huskies are here."

And the benefit for the Huskies doesn't stop on the sports fields, arenas and courts. Thanks to the wireless capability that will provide

high-speed Internet access to passengers throughout the coach, the Huskies will be able to keep up with their studies while away. Sarty noted Wi-Fi capability is vital to today's student athletes. He said the reality for many student athletes is that being on the road takes time away from studies.

"Now they will be able to get access to the Internet and do homework on the bus," said Sarty. "We are sensitive to the time involved with participating in athletics at this level. Finding a balance between sport and academics is vital to moving forward."

The University will begin using the bus this fall. Until then – and throughout the year when it isn't in use by Saint Mary's – the bus will be part of the Ambassatours fleet, available for use by outside groups. For example, if a cruise ship books a tour of Peggy's Cove, passengers might go aboard the Saint Mary's Ambassatours bus.

The Historic Oaks Gardens to Bloom Again

By Joel Jacobson

If the Oaks on Gorsebrook Avenue could talk, the almost two-century-old, two-storey building would tell tales of its construction in the mid-1800s, of the military residing there, and the magnificent gardens dressing its property. It would tell you of its circa 1945 purchase by Robert L. Stanfield, long-time Nova Scotia premier and one-time national Progressive Conservative party leader. It would proudly say how it was acquired by Saint Mary's University in the 1960s and became a fraternity and residence for almost a decade. Then for 15 years, it was rented to the Maritime Conservatory of Music as a training ground for young artists.

At one time, the grounds at the Oaks were cultivated and retained by the military. According to a landscape plan prepared in 1984, the grounds had been "elaborately designed and well-thought out." There was a woodland plant garden, foundation plantings and a "nearly monumental" formal garden, all a rare example of estate gardening in Nova Scotia.

By 1984, maintenance of the once beautiful gardens had waned with the formal gardens and foundation plantings overgrown. When Mr. Stanfield visited the property that year, he confirmed the gardens were both old and extensive and worth rehabilitating.

The Oaks is now home to the International Activities Office of Saint Mary's University.

In summers, people flock to the property for the President's annual neighbourhood barbecue and other events.

Now, a segment of the University community wants to restore the historic Oaks sunken garden that abuts Gorsebrook Avenue to its once magnificent state.

Six years ago, in conjunction with the 200th anniversary of the University, a group of women gathered for a social reunion. They were among the first co-eds to attend Saint Mary's between 1968 and 1974.

"Elizabeth Chard (late University administrator) and Carol Dodds, the wife of Saint Mary's University President Dr. J. Colin Dodds, spearheaded the events," recalls Mary Ann Hotchkiss (BSc'72), who fondly remembers living in residence in 1969. "At our first reunion, we decided to call ourselves the Belles of Saint Mary's, after the name of the women's sports teams in those early years."

In 2008, they formed the Friends of the Oaks Historic Gardens.

"Elizabeth died in spring 2007," says Carol, Chair of the Friends of the Oaks Historic Gardens committee. "Part of her legacy was for the University to hold an annual fund-raising dinner called Touching Lives, from

which the proceeds would support the Saint Mary's Sport Hall of Fame, the Quarter Century Club honouring 25-year members of the University staff and faculty, a scholarship program, and projects coordinated by the Belles."

"When we met in 2008, we knew re-developing the garden was the appropriate thing to do (in Elizabeth's memory)," says Heather Harris (BA '70, MA '72), a lifelong friend of the seemingly-forever registrar.

Carol says the committee wants to restore the entire sunken garden area. "We're looking for volunteers to help, whether alumni, businesses, neighbourhood residents and the community. Doing this project is the perfect match of the Belles and Elizabeth's love of gardening."

Mary Jane Fumerton (BA '73) remembers passing the Oaks as a youngster walking to Tower Road School. "It's extremely important we preserve the past," says Mary Jane.

Carol says the long-range project could possibly take up to five years to finish. "We want to make it one of the best gardens in Halifax. It's an unknown treasure." She foresees the Chard memorial section, with a bench and special plantings, complete within two years.

"It won't happen overnight unless..." and Carol smiles, "we find people to provide us with the expertise and funds to help."

To assist in any way, please contact Mary Jane Fumerton at mjfum@hotmail.com

"Belles of Saint Mary's" in front of the Oaks' gardens. From L-R: Heather Harris, Carol Denyar-MacDonald, Carol Dodds, Mary Jane Fumerton and Mary Ann Hotchkiss. Missing from photo: Ann MacGillivray



Saint Mary's leaders leave a legacy for students

In the past few months Saint Mary's has lost three of its great leaders. Although we mourn the passing of Jesuit fathers and educators William Stewart and George Leach, as well as legendary athletic director, Bob Hayes, we celebrate the legacy that they left our Saint Mary's students. Scholarships and bursaries have been set up in their names to carry on the work of these great educators.

Father William Stewart, S.J. was a part of Saint Mary's University for nearly fifty years. He died in Pickering, Ontario on March 5, 2009 at the age of 93, in his 60th year as a Jesuit priest. While at Saint Mary's, Father Stewart served in many capacities from Professor of Philosophy, University Librarian, Dean of Arts and Science, and finally Academic Vice-President. In 1983, he was awarded an honorary doctorate and the Alumni Association set up the Father William A. Stewart, S.J. Medal for Excellence in Teaching, which recognizes faculty members for their outstanding teaching.

After his death, the Father William Stewart, S.J. Memorial Scholarship was established to carry on his legacy of helping students and is open to students who are studying Philosophy or Religious Studies.

Father George Leach, S.J. came to Saint Mary's to study engineering in 1952. He was a

competitive athlete who excelled in many varsity sports. After graduating, he went on to pursue a Doctorate in Divinity from the University of Toronto.

As well as directing missions in Canada and overseas, Father Leach served many communities in the Maritimes and Ontario. He was the Superior of the Jesuit Community in Halifax and Director of the Halifax Jesuit Centre of Spirituality. He was also the author of two books on St. Ignatius Loyola. Father Leach was inducted into the Saint Mary's University Sports Hall of Fame for his athletic accomplishments in 2007 and in 2008 as a member of the 1956 Huskies Football Team. He died on April 12, 2009 at the age of 71, in his 40th year as a Jesuit priest.

The Jesuit Development Office has established the Rev. George P. Leach, S.J., Memorial Scholarship. For information on how to contribute to Father Leach's legacy visit: www.jesuits.ca.

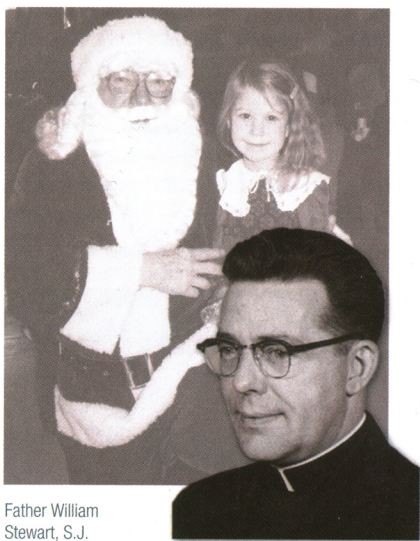
Bob Hayes came to Halifax in 1950 as an electrical technician with the Royal Canadian Navy. He was a superb athlete and played for the navy in the Nova Scotia Football League. Bob was recruited to play for the Ottawa Rough Riders but couldn't get a discharge, so he settled into coaching the fledgling Saint

Mary's Huskies Football team. When Bob finally left the navy in 1958, he accepted a position as Director of Athletics with Saint Mary's University. And the rest is history.

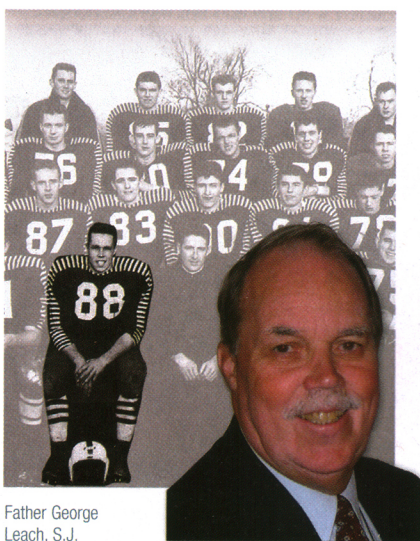
During the next three decades, Bob Hayes transformed the Huskies athletics program into one of the best varsity programs in Canada. Under his leadership, Huskies won 30 regional and four national championships. His contributions to the University included establishing training camps for young athletes, and bringing the Tower and Huskies Stadium to campus. Bob Hayes was inducted into the Nova Scotia Sports Hall of Fame in 1980 and the Saint Mary's Sports Hall of Fame in 1995.

Two scholarships carry on Bob Hayes' legacy. The Bob Hayes Football Scholarship provides support to Huskies football players that excel both on and off the field, and the Robert George Hayes Memorial Scholarship, set up in Bob's son's name, supports English majors, who are interested in creative writing.

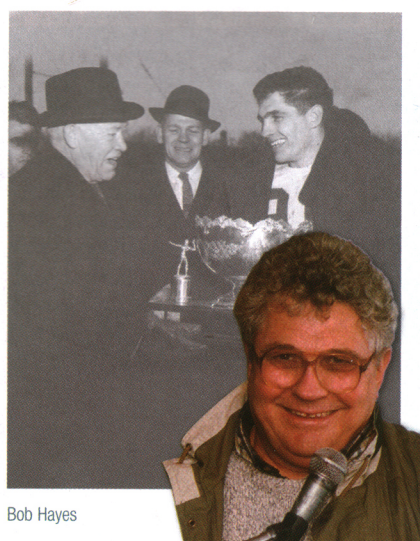
Those who fondly remember Father Stewart and Bob Hayes can contribute to scholarships in their names by contacting the Saint Mary's University Development Office at: www.smu.ca/administration/development/memoriams.



Father William Stewart, S.J.



Father George Leach, S.J.



Bob Hayes



Left: More than 215 people attended the Turning Points in Leadership Dinner on April 16, 2009.

Centre: Barbara Capes, winner of the 2008 Turning Points in Leadership Award for students, addresses dinner guests.

Right: Carol Dodds (MEd '90, MA '95), Michele Wood-Tweel (BComm '83) and Christopher Moore (BComm '04) meet at the Turning Points dinner.

Turning Points in Leadership 2009

On April 16, the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association hosted the fourth annual Turning Points in Leadership dinner. This unique event brought some of Canada's top business leaders together with our brightest and best graduating students to celebrate excellence in leadership.

This year's host and keynote speaker of the Turning Points dinner was Claude Mongeau, Executive Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer of CN, a leading North American transportation company. Mr. Mongeau delivered an inspirational speech about the importance of leadership, particularly in hard economic times.

"Navigating through the current economic storm requires a steady hand," he said. "It requires leaders who can keep their bearings, even if it is hard for us to see over the crests of the big waves that are buffeting us. For some people, uncertainty, complexity, and difficult choices produce inertia. For true leaders, uncertainty and difficult choices provide opportunity – a way forward. These leaders become agents of change. They know how to motivate and make people rise to the challenge."



Turning Points Hall of Leadership Award recipient, Dr. Michael "Mickey" MacDonald (DComm '05), with Claude Mongeau, President and CEO of CN.

Fittingly, just days after Mongeau spoke at Saint Mary's, another turning point in his career happened – he was named incoming President and Chief Executive Officer of CN.

The Turning Points in Leadership dinner provides an opportunity to honour individuals who exemplify an outstanding leadership commitment to Saint Mary's University and their community. This year's Turning Points Hall of Leadership Award was presented to local entrepreneur **Dr. Mickey MacDonald** (DComm '05), whose business interests stretch across many sectors from automotive leasing and retail businesses to residential land development.

Dr. MacDonald is also a winner of numerous business and personal awards, including the 2008 Nova Scotia Humanitarian of the Year, 2005 Nova Scotia Philanthropist of the Year, 2004 Newfoundland Philanthropist of the Year, Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the Year and Halifax Chamber of Commerce Business Person of the Year. He has also been rated as one of the Top 50 CEO's in Atlantic Canada for five years in a row.

Dr. MacDonald joins previous Turning Points Hall of Leadership Inductees **Dr. David Sobey** (DComm '91), **Paul Sobey** (Assoc '07), and the late **Robert (Bob) Shaw** (BComm '68).

This year's Turning Points dinner raised more than \$35,000 in support of the Turning Points in Leadership Award for students. These funds will help build an endowment award that will support full-time undergraduate students who show high academic achievement while demonstrating financial need.

Last year's recipient of a \$2,000 Turning Points Leadership Award was Barbara Capes, a fourth year French student from Guelph Ontario. Barbara is on the Dean's List and an Academic All-Canadian for combining her academic accomplishments with her athletic ability playing for the Huskies Women's Basketball team. She is also an active team tutor and member of SMU PALS, a mentoring program that helps disadvantaged youth.



Turning Points in Leadership 2009

could not have happened without the hard work of its organizing committee. *From L-R:* Erin Dorey (BComm '07), Jon Bruhm (BA '03), Sara Thomas (MBA '07), Pat Crowley (BA '72), Tammy Milbury (MBA '06), Paul O'Hearn (BComm '82) and Wendy Levy.

The Saint Mary's University Alumni Association would like to thank everyone for making this another successful event!

alumni events



From L-R: Frank Gervais (DIPEGN '58), Fr. Jim Richards (BA '67), Fr. Dan Kelly, Joe Power (BA '58), Fr. Jean-Marc Laporte, Fr. Louis Caissie (BA '58) and Fr. Charles Burke (BA '58) at the Memorial Service for Frs. William Stewart and George Leach (May 20, 2009)



Above: Student Services staff show their Santamarian Pride on Maroon & White Day during **SMUFEST 2009** (February 2, 2009)



Left, from L-R: Alumni Council member Dean Jones (BComm '03) hands new alumni Gina Beth Roberts (BA '09) her newly-framed diploma after **Spring Convocation 2009** (May 22, 2009)



Above, from L-R: Huskies Football Alumni Joel Lipinski, Tim St. Pierre (BA '09), and Jeff Zelinski during a preseason **CFL Football game in Edmonton** (June 17, 2009) photo credit: Emily Kennedy (BA '08)

Below, from L-R: Julie Slaunwhite, Amanda Slaunwhite (BComm '09), Jamie Stubbert (BComm '06), Erika McMahon (BComm '09), Dave Stewart (BComm '09), and Travis Slaunwhite at the **Welcome Reception for New Alumni** (May 21, 2009)





Alumni Events at Home and Away

Left: Alumni cheer on the **NBA's Toronto Raptors** in a Skybox at the Air Canada Centre (March 27, 2009)



Left: The Saint Mary's Community Rocks The Block during **SMUFEST 2009** (January 28, 2009)



Left, from L-R: Alumni Council members Michael McKenzie (BComm '80) and Karen Ross (BComm '77) help out during the **Alumni Diploma Framing at Spring Convocation 2009** (May 22, 2009)



From L-R: Pat Crowley (BA '72) and Cos Marandos (BA '66) at the **Tory Marandos 2nd Annual Foundation Golf Tournament** in New Hampshire (June 28, 2009)

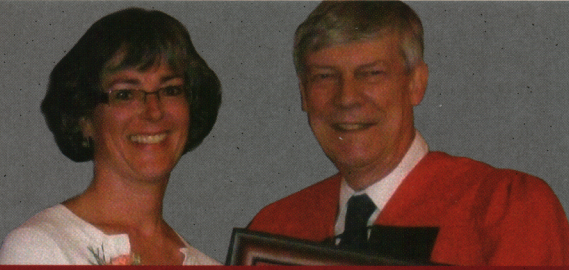
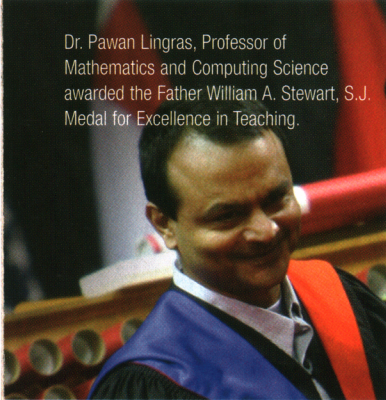


Below: Ottawa Alumni gather for the **ICAN Curling Bonspiel** (April 18, 2009)



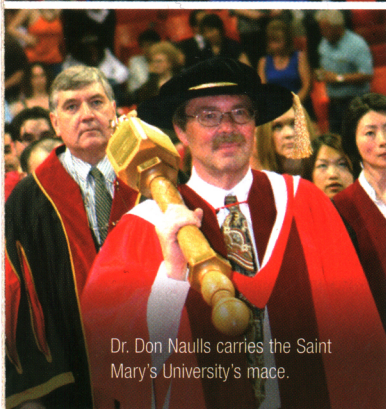
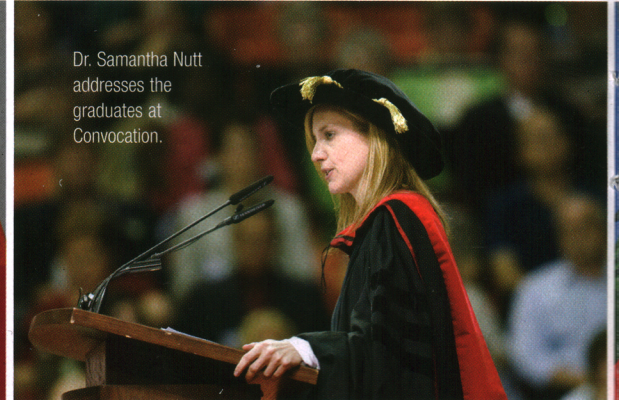
Saint Mary's graduates citizens of the world

Dr. Pawan Lingras, Professor of Mathematics and Computing Science awarded the Father William A. Stewart, S.J. Medal for Excellence in Teaching.

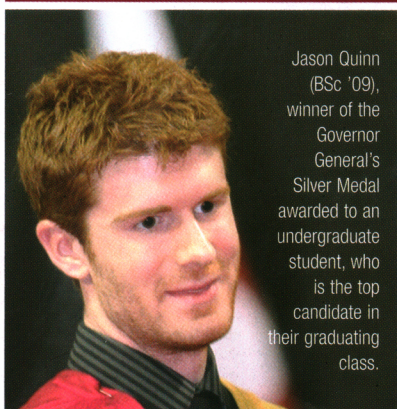


Margaret Cynthia McKee (PhD '08), winner of the Governor General's Gold Medal and Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President of Saint Mary's University. This prestigious medal is awarded to a graduate student, who is the top candidate in the graduating class.

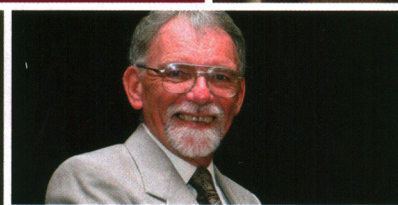
Dr. Samantha Nutt addresses the graduates at Convocation.



Dr. Don Nauells carries the Saint Mary's University's mace.



Jason Quinn (BSc '09), winner of the Governor General's Silver Medal awarded to an undergraduate student, who is the top candidate in their graduating class.



Three faculty members were recognized as Professor Emeritus during Spring Convocation. *Clockwise:* Dr. Colin Howell, Professor Emeritus of History, Dr. Gillian Thomas, Professor Emeritus of English and Dr. Janet Hill, Professor Emeritus of English.



Congratulations to more than 1,030 aspiring citizens of the world who graduated from Saint Mary's University on May 22, 2009. They received their parchments from the University's

Chancellor, Dr. David F. Sobey, at morning and afternoon ceremonies held at the Halifax Metro Centre.

"The time for self interest is over"

The morning ceremony graduated more than 400 students from the Faculty of Arts and 100 students from the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research. In addition, three students graduated from

the Sobey School of Business with Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degrees in management. They were Wendy Carroll and James Grant of Halifax, and Amy Mae Warren from St. John's, Newfoundland.

Jen Schwartz of Hubbards, NS, was the valedictorian for the morning ceremony and Claron Rolle of Eleuthera, Bahamas was the hooding candidate.

In the afternoon ceremony, more than 300 students graduated from the Sobey School of Business and over 100 students graduated from the Faculty of Science. Kareem O'Keiffe of St. John's, Antigua, was the valedictorian for the afternoon ceremony and Myra El-Bayoumi of Fredericton, NB was the hooding candidate. In addition to degrees granted to students, Dr. Sobey presented honorary doctoral degrees to Wadih M. Fares, James S. Kinnear, and Dr. Samantha Nutt at the morning ceremony and Steve Armitage, Sister Dorothy Moore and Dianne Swinemar at the afternoon ceremony.

At the morning ceremony, Honorary Doctorate of Civil Law degree recipient, Dr. Samantha Nutt, addressed the graduating class. She was

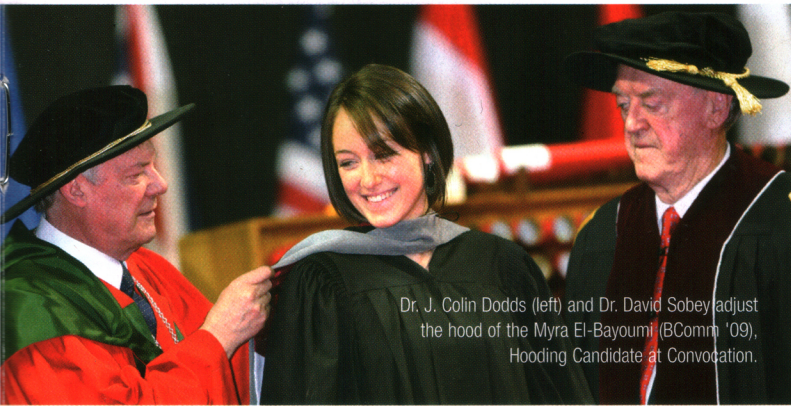
introduced by Dr. Hetty van Gorp, the President of Peaceful Schools International, who is also an Honorary Degree recipient.

Dr. Nutt is the Founder and Executive Director of War Child Canada, an award-winning charity that provides humanitarian assistance to war-affected children in some of the most devastated regions in the world.

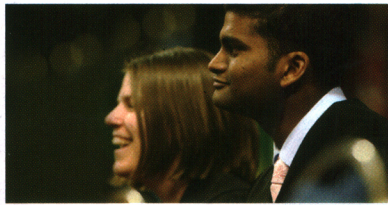
Her speech to the graduating class was more than inspiring, as Dr. Nutt told graduates to redefine their success in "human terms" not in economic terms.

"The time for self interest is over," said Dr. Nutt. She told graduates that they need to channel their energies and education into a lifetime of meaning. She spoke of her work in war-torn sub-Saharan Africa where "people just didn't lose their jobs, they lost their families." She stressed that the western world

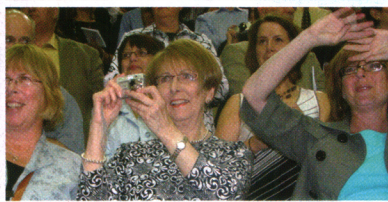




Dr. J. Colin Dodds (left) and Dr. David Sobey adjust the hood of the Myra El-Bayoumi (BComm '09), Hooding Candidate at Convocation.



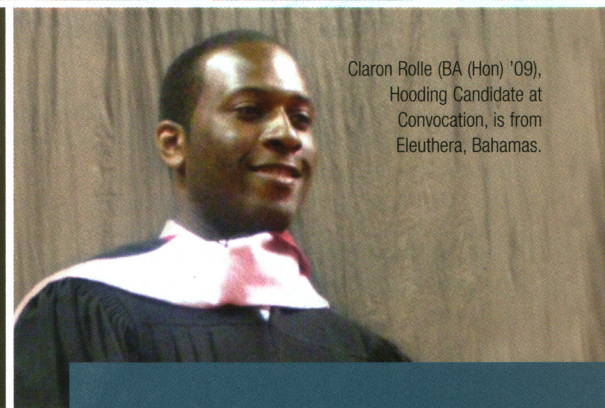
Michelle Wood-Tweel (BComm '83), Chair of the University's Board of Governors, addresses the graduates.



Jen Schwartz (BA '09) was Valedictorian at the morning ceremonies.

Kareem O'Keiffe (BComm '09) from St. John's, Antigua was Valedictorian at the afternoon ceremonies.

Claron Rolle (BA (Hon) '09), Hooding Candidate at Convocation, is from Eleuthera, Bahamas.



International students graduate with pride

One hundred and thirty-five international students graduated from Saint Mary's University at the spring convocation. These students came from diverse locations including: the Sudan, Iran, Nigeria, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Trinidad and Tobago, the Bahamas, Bermuda, Antigua, Brazil, South Korea, Jordan, China, Colombia, Turkey, Antigua and Barbuda, Venezuela, the United States, Kenya, Russia, St. Lucia, Mexico, Zambia, Gaza, and the British Virgin Islands. International students make up a large percentage of the Sobey Business School graduates with 75 international students graduating with a Bachelor of Commerce and another seventeen graduating with Master Degrees.

needs to step up and help this part of the world where two million people have been forced from their homes.

Dr. Nutt told graduates that "today is a day of transition," and advised them to "not surrender to complacency." She pointed out that today's uncertain times bring opportunity and choices. "Today's graduates can choose between apathy and leadership." Dr. Nutt was confident that Santamarians would choose leadership.

At the afternoon ceremony, Steve Armitage, Honorary Doctorate of Civil Law degree recipient, addressed the graduating class of his alma mater. He was introduced by Paul Dyer, the Regional Vice-President, Eastern, Scotiatrust and the immediate past chair of the Saint Mary's University Board of Governors. Armitage is a CBC sports broadcaster with more than forty years of experience covering hockey, football and soccer matches and

thirteen Olympic Games. (For more on Steve Armitage read page 15)

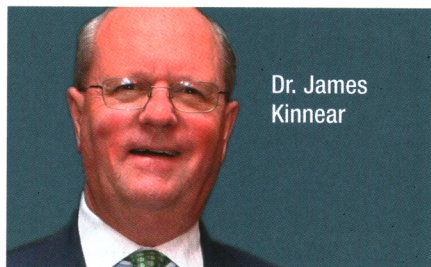
This year's convocation served to recognize three of Saint Mary's foremost faculty members. The title of professor emeritus was bestowed on English professor Dr. Janet Hill, History professor Dr. Colin Howell and English professor Dr. Gillian Thomas.

Also, Dr. Pawan Lingras of the Mathematics and Computing Science Department was presented with the Father William A. Stewart, S.J., Medal for Excellence in Teaching. The medal is awarded annually to a faculty member who has made a significant contribution to teaching and service at Saint Mary's.

For a complete list of spring 2009 graduates, visit: www.smu.ca/registrar. Congratulations to this year's graduates and award winners!

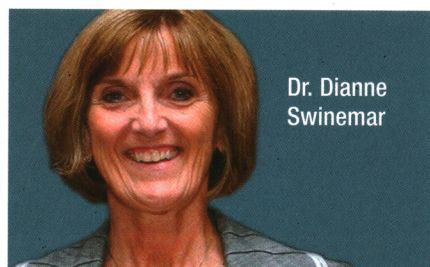
Saint Mary's Honours Outstanding Canadians

Saint Mary's University honoured six outstanding individuals with honorary doctoral degrees at Spring Convocation. These exceptional individuals show leadership in every aspect of their lives and serve as role models for our new grads as they step out into the world as "global citizens."



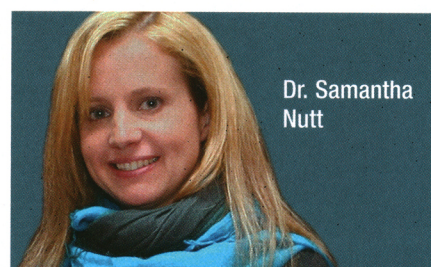
Dr. James
Kinnear

Dr. James Kinnear is founding President and CEO of Pengrowth Energy Trust. He is committed to post-secondary education and established the Pengrowth Nova Scotia Energy Scholarship and Pengrowth Innovation Grant that has benefited dozens of Nova Scotia students. Dr. Kinnear has also established the Pengrowth Nova Scotia Professorship Program that helps fund two positions in petroleum financial management at Saint Mary's.



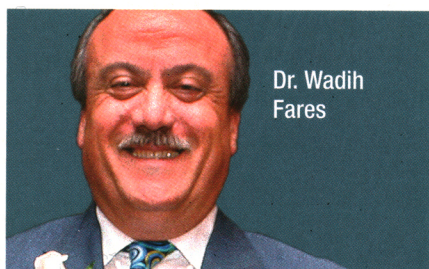
Dr. Dianne
Swinemar

Dr. Dianne Swinemar has been with FEED NOVA SCOTIA since its inception more than 18 years ago. As Executive Director, she oversees an organization whose services continue to grow. Last year FEED NOVA SCOTIA distributed 1.8 million kilograms of food through its 150 member agencies. Dr. Swinemar's leadership in championing social causes has earned her many awards including the Governor General's Golden Jubilee Medal.



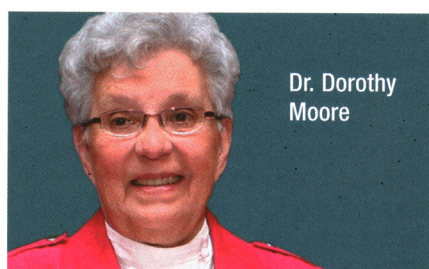
Dr. Samantha
Nutt

Dr. Samantha Nutt is founder and Executive Director of War Child Canada, a charity that provides humanitarian assistance to children in war-torn regions of the world. She is a medical doctor, who specializes in community medicine and women's health. Dr. Nutt has received considerable recognition for her commitment to global peace, human rights and social justice and was the keynote speaker at the Saint Mary's University 2009 Convocation.



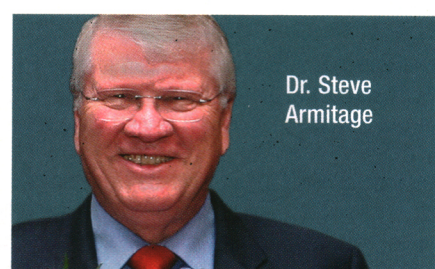
Dr. Wadih
Fares

Dr. Wadih Fares is President and CEO of the W.M. Fares Group, a firm he established in 1983. As a building design and property management and development full-service firm, W.M. Fares builds residential and commercial buildings. Dr. Fares is active in a variety of professional and volunteer roles in the Halifax community. He is Honorary Consul of Lebanon for the Maritime Provinces, Chair of the Pier 21 Society and member of many boards and commissions.



Dr. Dorothy
Moore

Dr. Dorothy Moore, D.S.M is a distinguished educator and member of the Mi'kmaq First Nation. For over four decades, Dr. Moore has educated children and youth in the public school system and at Cape Breton University as well as serving as Director of Mi'kmaq Services with the Department of Education. She has received numerous awards, including the Order of Canada, for her work with youth and First Nations' communities.



Dr. Steve
Armitage

Dr. Steve Armitage is a Saint Mary's alumnus and well-known sports broadcaster, who has spent over forty years covering memorable sporting events including 13 Olympic Games. Dr. Armitage has been honoured with two Gemini Awards for his sports broadcasting features. He was the keynote speaker at the Saint Mary's University 2009 convocation ceremony and is featured in the Santamarian Profile on page 15.

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Steve Armitage (BA '68, DCL '09) Bringing the world's athletes to you

By Richard Woodbury (BA Hons '04)

It may sound like a cliché to call something a “once in a lifetime event”, but that’s exactly what Steve Armitage’s address to the 2009 graduates was like at the Spring Convocation held on May 22. The legendary CBC sports broadcaster captivated the audience with tales from his days at Saint Mary’s to covering some of the biggest sporting events in history. He’s covered 13 Olympic Games (summer and winter), 27 Grey Cup finals, and countless world cups and championships.

Armitage said he came to Saint Mary’s “to play football and have a good time.” But something changed in him during his four years here. “I discovered learning wasn’t so bad after all.”

Describing what it felt like to be receiving the honorary doctorate, Armitage was reminded of a recent diving event he covered. He was struck by the phrase the young divers used about winning medals and competing internationally for the first time. “The phrase was ‘It’s totally cool,’” he said. “That’s how I can describe the feeling today for me. This is totally cool.”

Armitage’s life-changing experience happened at the beginning of his second year in the spring of 1965 when his football coach, Bob Hayes, asked him if he was interested in working for the CBC. The job was writing the CBC late night sportscast. (At the time, he was digging graves at the Dartmouth Memorial Gardens.) The pay with the CBC would be \$35 per week, but there was a catch, did he know how to type? “Fortunately for me, I had taken

typing in high school,” said Armitage. “Two guys and 39 girls. I wasn’t very good at math, but I liked the odds.”

“Who knew it would be the one skill I’d be using 40 plus years later? The lesson there – you never know which skill you pick up along the way that will open the door down the road.

The door that opened for me allowed me to travel the world and have the best seat in the house at some of the biggest sporting events of the past few decades.”

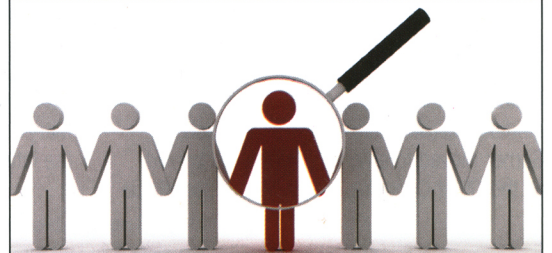
When he first started working for the CBC in Halifax, the camera had just switched to colour. “There was no such thing as a cell phone or a personal computer,” he said. Armitage guaranteed the 2009 grads would also see plenty of technological changes. “Imagine what you will see in the next 40 years, once you commerce grads dig us out of this economic mess that we put you in,” he said. “Good luck with that.”

He said he’s often asked what makes a champion. “I’ve interviewed some of the best in their respective sports,” counting Wayne Gretzky, Muhammad Ali and Michael Phelps among them. He summed up his answer in one word – Work!

“God-given talent will take you only so far. Hard work and more hard work will do the rest. All truly great athletes have that in common. They all work hard to achieve their goals.”

He said it’s now up to the graduates to apply their education. “Saint Mary’s has provided you with a first-class launching pad. It’s now up to you how far you’re willing to go.” Regardless of how well prepared one is, the world will challenge you, Armitage said. “Trust me, it will get harder and that’s your challenge.”

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Paddling for the Worlds

By Darcy Rhyno (BEd '85)

A thousand athletes from 79 countries converged on Lake Banook in Dartmouth this August for Canoe09, A.K.A., the World ICF Canoe Sprint Championships. A Santamarian was at the forefront of one of the largest sporting events to come to Nova Scotia – Frank Garner (BA '69) was the General Manager for the event.

For almost 40 years, Frank Garner has lived by his mantra, “If you can dream it, you can do it.” A shortlist of his most remarkable achievements reads like a history of sport in Nova Scotia. From 1998 to 2006, Garner worked as the Executive Director of Events Halifax. The 1997 Senior World Canoe Championships, the 2003 IIHF World Junior Hockey Championships, the 2004 IIHF World Women’s Hockey Championships and even the World Lacrosse Championships all came to Nova Scotia under Frank Garner’s watch.

Early on in his career, Garner served as canoe coach for Canada at the 1976 and 1980 Olympic Games. Then as National Head Coach for the 1984 games, his Canadian team won six Olympic medals. Under his leadership, Canadian athletes won over 50 international medals. Following his career as a coach, Garner moved to officiating where he served as the Chief Canoeing Official at the past three

Olympic Games and will serve as an official at the upcoming London Olympics in 2012.

Oddly, Frank Garner’s stellar career in canoeing started with football and hockey. Although he is now a fiercely loyal Nova Scotian, Garner grew up in Port Credit, which is now part of Mississauga, Ontario.

“I started canoeing when I was 15. Canoeing is an upper body sport. I was canoeing to improve myself for football and hockey. It became my summer job after a while. I started coaching to make some money so I could go back to school.”

Garner was recruited by legendary Huskies football coach, Bob Hayes.

“Bob Hayes is the only man I ever called Coach, and I called him Coach for the rest of his life. He taught me mental toughness. You had to play with injuries. The other thing was creativity. He was always thinking how he could win that game. Not many people know it, but he invented the single goalpost.”

Garner made other lifetime friends at Saint Mary’s. He names Paul Puma, Red O’Brien and the late Al Keith among them.

“Steve Armitage was my best man. We lived together for a couple years at Saint Mary’s,” says Garner. Armitage, who went on to be a well-known CBC sportscaster and one of this year’s honorary degree recipients, played under Garner, who was the team captain. “Football was king in those days,” Garner reminisces. Of his years at SMU, Garner says, “You know what? I’ll never give them back. They were some of the best years of my life.”

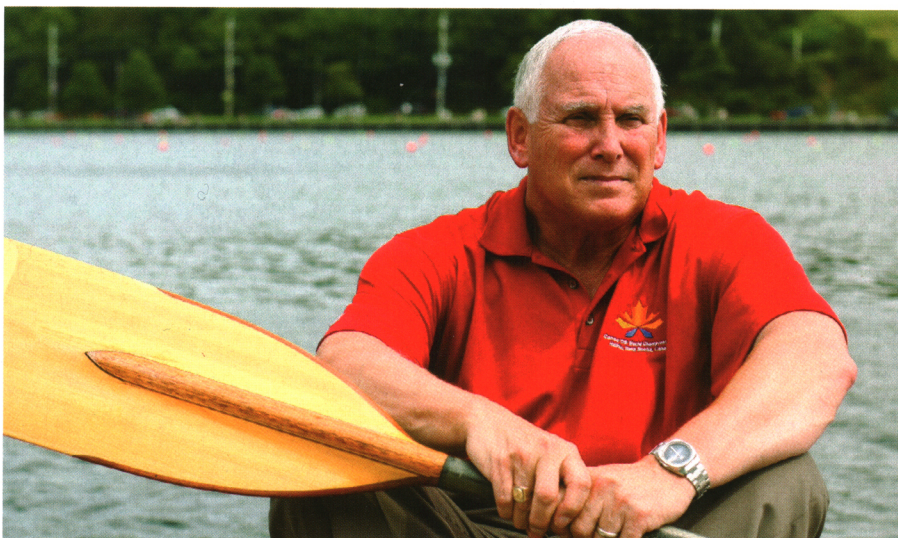
After he graduated, Garner decided to stay in Nova Scotia. “I was treated so well by the local people. That’s the reason I stayed. I embraced this area and it embraced me.” Garner completed his Bachelor of Education and taught physical education in Dartmouth.

During his spare time, he became the first coach at the Cheema Aquatic Club in Waverley. “We had some success early on so it helped my career.” Helped indeed! The Canadian Canoeing Association came knocking to offer him a full-time coaching position and he soon left teaching.

Something else came out of Garner’s time at Cheema – his family. He met his wife Paula there where she was a swimming instructor. They had three daughters who all live in Nova Scotia. When asked which of his many achievements is most important to him, Garner answers, “This is corny, but my family is the most important.”

Frank Garner has nurtured his family and his career side-by-side in Nova Scotia. Very soon, the two will come together in a way that couldn’t be more satisfying for him. “My youngest granddaughter and her brother are going to start at Cheema this year.” When they do, the Garners will be the first to send three generations to the club.

Garner says, “I believe if my family is doing well, then I’m doing well.” Frank Garner – member of the Canadian Olympic, Nova Scotia and Saint Mary’s Sports Halls of Fame, father of three and grandfather of three with one more on the way – is doing very well indeed.





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The Boys in the Trailer Park

By Richard Woodbury (BA Hons '04)

Trailer Park Boys has become one of Canada's best comedic exports. Much like Bob and Doug McKenzie were in the 1980s, the Boys are the present day equivalent. The Nova Scotia connection to the show is well documented, but what isn't well-known is the Santamarian connection.

The show starred Robb Wells as 'Ricky' and Pat Roach as 'Randy'. Both are 1993 Saint Mary's commerce grads. Also, Mike Volpe, one of the show's executive producers, is a 1989 political science graduate.

Long before Wells and Roach got their degrees at Saint Mary's, they were friends with John Paul Tremblay, who played Julian on the show. "We've all been pretty close buddies over the years," says Roach, who played a shirtless assistant trailer park supervisor on the show.

"The only difference is I was skinnier then," says Roach, whose character 'Randy' is known for his fondness of cheeseburgers. He attributes his weight gain to not working out at the Tower anymore.

While still a student, Roach worked for Sparkling Springs driving trucks and doing accounts receivable and office work.



Robb Wells in character as the infamous 'Ricky'



Pat Roach as 'Randy'

When he graduated, he was hired on full-time. "It was kind of neat. I had a job and a company car before I even graduated from Saint Mary's."

He worked his way up through Sparkling Springs, eventually becoming Regional Manager. He used to film the Trail Park Boys during his vacation.

"So I was the business guy by day using my commerce degree and the cheeseburger eater on the side."

Roach left Sparkling Springs in July 2004 to focus on his acting and comedy career. "It was never meant to be my full-time gig," he says. "But eventually I got so busy, that acting is what I ended up doing."

He now tours across the country with actor John Dunsworth, who played trailer park supervisor Mr. Lahey, doing comedy shows at universities and comedy clubs. This summer, the two are MCing at some music festivals. "We're very lucky guys," says Roach.

Robb Wells agrees. "We didn't set out to become celebrities," he says. "We never planned on it ever happening."

Wells is now working on a couple of potential TV series, and a future film project. "Now that I've been acting for almost 10 years, I'm starting to manage some of my money and investments and using my BComm again. It's funny how that comes full circle," he says.



Mike Volpe is president of Topsail Entertainment.

When Wells was a student, he figured he'd start a business after graduation. He eventually opened a pizza joint in Charlottetown with Tremblay, as well as a pub in Charlottetown with Roach and Tremblay. He had thought of getting an MBA or even going to law school.

Law school is where Mike Volpe went after his Saint Mary's days. In 1993, he became the in-house legal counsel for Citadel Communications. The firm was looking for someone to provide legal advice and he wanted to learn how to produce, so it was a natural fit. He later became the Vice President of Business Affairs for the television and film division of Citadel. Then in 1996, he became the president of Topsail Entertainment, which was an offshoot of Citadel. Topsail handles the development, production and distribution of various television projects.

After seven successful television seasons, the show is done, but on September 25, the movie "Trailer Park Boys: Countdown to Liquor Day" will be released.

"It's crazy, funny and dark" says Volpe, adding it's a return to the show's earlier 'mockumentary' roots.

Besides the new film, Topsail is working with comedian Gerry Dee on a pilot for CBC.

Now if one of the Boys was interested in pursuing a higher education at Saint Mary's, who would it be? Roach says Mr. Lahey. He'd be interested in taking courses to maintain better accounting records for the trailer park. He also thinks Julian might be interested because he once expressed an interest in going to community college. "I don't know if he has got the grades to get into SMU," notes Roach.

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2007

Khalid Alkhdair (BComm) is the Assistant Marketing, Manager at KPMG in Al Khobar, Saudi Arabia. He has earned high praise from his CEO for initiating a recycling program in three KPMG offices located in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Recently he had an article about KPMG's recycling program published in *The Gulf Marketing Review*.



Lin Ge and Arup Ganguly (both MBA) were married on May 19, 2009 in Shanghai, China. They celebrated their wedding with family, friends and more than 250 guests. Lin and Arup first met at

Saint Mary's where they were both international students. They currently live in Toronto, ON.

2006

John Vo (BComm, CER HRM) is currently working with TD Canada Trust as a Mobile Mortgage Specialist in Halifax, NS. He can be reached at www.johnvo.ca.

2005



David (BComm) and Alix (CER HRM) Hillman are pleased to announce the

birth of their second child, Travis, who was born on May 30, 2009. Their daughter Mya (born in 2007) is delighted to have a little brother.

2004

Bryan Arthur (BComm) recently co-created BluEra, a Calgary, AB based executive search and team building firm. More information about Bryan's company can be found at www.bluera.ca

2003

Jaclyn Flemming (BSc) graduated from Dalhousie Medical School in May 2009. She graduated as Class Valedictorian and was presented with the "Silver D" for commitment and dedication to student life, as well as the Frank G. Mack Award for Excellence in Urology.

2001

Ken Chernin (BComm) is a Special Situations Analyst with Jennings Capital Inc. in Halifax, NS. Prior to returning to Nova Scotia, he worked as a research associate for a Toronto, ON based brokerage firm and also specialized in risk management with a Canadian funds management firm.

Trevor Heisler (MBA) would like to invite those interested in Canadian wines to follow his Wine Tweets at: www.twitter.com/winewetcanada.

2000

Pamela Winsor (MBA) has been appointed the Director of Health Systems Strategies and Chief Marketing Officer of Metronic of Canada Ltd.

1999



Laura (MacInnis) MacEachen (BA) graduated from the University of Maine Presque

Isle in 2001 with her BEd. Surrounded by friends and family, Laura married Darren MacEachen on March 28, 2008 in the Dominican Republic. They have been living in Fort McMurray, AB since January 2006, where Laura is a high school social studies teacher. Laura will begin a new position as an Off Campus Coordinator with her school district this fall.

Judith Richardson (BA, BEd, MA '01) is the Chief Executive Officer and Principal of PONO Consultants International Inc., whose Voluntary Planning Phase 1 report titled *Our Common Ground: The Future of Nova Scotia's Natural Resources* was released on April 17, 2009. PONO Consultants worked to create and

implement a citizen engagement process that allowed Nova Scotians to voice how they value natural resources in the province. For more information, please visit www.ponoconsultants.com.

1997

Paul Fitzgerald (BA, MA '06) recently launched *Thursday Night Magazine*, an online magazine geared toward audiences in Canada, the United States and the United Kingdom. Its focus is on topics ranging from crime, politics, power, sex, arts and entertainment, style and design. The magazine has already featured exclusive interviews with Noam Chomsky and Rolling Stones' guitarist Ron Wood to name a few. Five per cent of the publication's advertising revenue will go towards scholarships for journalism students. Visit the magazine's website at www.thursdaynightmagazine.com.



Tara Timms (BComm) and Jeff Larsen (son of former Dean of Arts Michael Larsen) were married on December 20, 2008.

1996



Boris Mirtchev (BSc, MBA '99), his wife Soula, and daughter Karina (born November 19, 2007) are pleased to welcome Julian Boris Veli, who was born on March 9, 2009. The Mirtchev family lives in Halifax, NS.

1995

Major Gordon A. "Sandy" Watson, CD (BA, BComm '96, CER HRM '97, MBA '07) has been appointed Commanding Officer of 3 Intelligence Company, a Primary Reserve Army Unit of the Canadian Forces. Sandy and his wife **Sonia (Pike) (BA '95, BComm '98)** live in Dutch Settlement, NS with their two children Rhys and Teaghen. Sonia is a controller at Shaw Resources in Milford, NS.

1994

Rania Llewellyn (BComm, MBA '96) is the Vice President of Multicultural Banking at Scotiabank in Toronto, ON. Her rise from working at Tim Hortons in Dartmouth to being a teller at Scotiabank and now to holding a senior management position was profiled in *The Financial Post* in March 2009.

1989

Nancy Duxbury (BComm) has accepted a position as Researcher in the "Cities and Urban Cultures" research group of the Centre for Social Studies, an Associate Laboratory of the Department of Economics at the University of Coimbra, in Coimbra, Portugal. Her research will focus on cultural planning practices in European cities with a focus on integrating cultural considerations within urban sustainability initiatives. Nancy, who earned a PhD from Simon Fraser University, also continues as an Adjunct Professor at the Centre for Policy Studies on Culture and Communities and the School of Communication at Simon Fraser University in Vancouver, BC.

1988

Mary-Lou Donnelly (MEd) was recently appointed to the Board of Directors of ParticipACTION, the national voice of physical activity and sport participation in Canada. She is also the President-Designate of the Canadian Teachers' Federation and Past-President of the Nova Scotia Teachers Union.

1986

Pat Galipeau (BComm, MBA '02) was recently appointed Regional Manager, Asset and Facilities Management, Atlantic Region with Public Works and Government Services Canada. Pat and his wife Jan (Verge), recently celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary. Jan was a former Saint Mary's student and is now an Office Manager with National Defence. Their daughter, **Julie (BSc '03)**, a former basketball Huskie, is in her 4th year of Naturopathic Medicine in Toronto. And daughter, **Johanna**, also a former Saint Mary's student, recently celebrated the 2nd anniversary of her Sweet Pea Boutique dress shop, located on Queen Street in Halifax, NS.

1983



Brian Robinson (BComm) is a Partner with PricewaterhouseCoopers in Barbados, and is the proud grandfather of Jack Stone Pipe, born May 7, 2009 to his daughter, Carlie Robinson. His oldest son, **Matthew (BComm '07)** is working at PricewaterhouseCoopers in Halifax, NS and is currently working toward his CA Distinction. The family tradition of attending Saint Mary's continues, as his nephew and godson Kirk Robinson begins his studies this fall.

1982

Alexandra Kennedy (BA) is living in south east Palm Beach County, FL and is working as a Registered Nurse at Good Samaritan Medical Center in West Palm Beach. She would love to hear from her fellow Santamarians and can be reached at sunshiners@aol.com.

1977

Nil d'Entremont (BSc, BEd '78) recently became Chief Financial Officer of Genome Atlantic, a non-profit organization that invests in and manages large-scale genomic research projects. Nil was also recently appointed President of the Nova Scotia Nature Trust, the largest private land conservation trust in Nova Scotia.

1976

Clay Fowler (BA) retired on June 30, 2009 after a 32 year career at Saint Mary's University. After a brief stint with the Department of Athletics, he moved over to the Residence Department in 1977, where he served as the Assistant Director and later Director of Residence.

Duncan Perry (BComm) has retired from the Public Service of Canada after serving 32 years in various Human Resources specialties. He is now operating HRM Consulting, a Human Resource Management consulting company located in Dartmouth, NS. Duncan can be contacted at HRMC@hrmconsulting.ca.

1975

Dominic Boyd (BA) has returned to the Maritimes after 19 years in Ontario, and is working as an Early Response Clinician with Cumberland Mental Health in Amherst, NS.

Kenneth Howard (BComm) is living in Doha, Qatar and teaching banking at The College of the North Atlantic-Qatar after spending 22 years with the Bank of Montreal and 10 years with Allstate Insurance. His wife Marilyn is also working at the College and his son Brandon is currently studying Engineering at Saint Mary's. Kenneth can be reached at ken-howard57@gmail.com.

Robert Kelly (BComm, DComm '97), Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Bank of New York Mellon Corp., was listed as one of America's Best CEOs in *Institutional Investor Magazine's* seventh annual ranking of top business executives.

1968

James Daniels, was enshrined into the 2009 Linden Athletic Hall of Fame. A Huskies great on the court, James was honoured for his achievements playing high school football and basketball in Linden, NJ.

1958

Dennis Cato (BA) is sad to announce the passing of his brother, **Ian (BComm '54)** on June 27, 2009 in Kingstons, ON. Ian excelled in basketball and football, representing Saint Mary's at the intercollegiate level. He subsequently pursued a career in business in the Toronto, ON area.

1956

Pat Hickey, former Huskie and National Hockey League player, is a sports columnist with *The Montreal Gazette*. Over his 44 year career, he has worked at the *Montreal Star*, *Vancouver Sun*, *The Globe and Mail*, *Toronto Sun* and *Toronto Star*.

Special Recognition

Lisa Jordan, Head Coach of the Saint Mary's Women's Hockey team, has been named Assistant Coach of the Canadian National Women's Under-18 Team for the 2009 – 2010 season.

Santamarians elected to the Nova Scotia Legislature

The province of Nova Scotia held its 38th Provincial General Election on June 9, 2009 which resulted in the election of province's first ever New Democratic Party government. Two Santamarians were appointed to the incoming Cabinet – **John MacDonell** (BEd '83) was named Minister of Agriculture and Natural Resources and **Percy Paris** ('74) was named Minister of Economic and Rural Development, Tourism, Culture and Heritage, and African Nova Scotian Affairs.

In addition, five Santamarians were elected to the Legislature – Interim Progressive Conservative Party Leader **Karen Casey** (MEd '88), Liberal **Wayne Gaudet** (BEd '78), and New Democrats, **Rebecca Kent** (BA '85), **Leonard Preyra** (Political Science Professor at Saint Mary's) and **Mat Whyntott** (Political Science student).

In Memoriam

George MacLellan

BA '91
June 28, 2009

Ian Cato

BComm '54
June 27, 2009

Robert Hayes

BA '73
June 25, 2009

Robert Jones

BComm '87
June 25, 2009

Craig Chenell

'04
June 24, 2009

Mark Connolly

BA '74
June 20, 2009

Capt. Anthony Woods

BSc '79
June 15, 2009

Rev. Thomas Berry

DLitt '97
June 1, 2009

George Somers

DIPEGN '42
May 26, 2009

George Moffatt

BA '46
May 25, 2009

Walter Nolan

HS '52
May 19, 2009

Gregor Sperry

BComm '89
April 30, 2009

Lloyd Robertson

BA '48
April 13, 2009

Father George Leach, S.J.

HS '54
April 12, 2009

David Driscoll

BSc & DIPEGN '79
April 6, 2009

Agnes Parker

BA '76, BEd '77
April 4, 2009

Thérèse Moriarty

BComm '78
March 26, 2009

Maj. Anthony Hynes

BSc '78
February 17, 2009

Andrew Rae

DCL '07
January 4, 2009

Marietta Stanley

BEd '74
January 1, 2009

Frank Graves

BComm '49, BEd '72
December 18, 2008

With Sympathy

Paul Baxter

June 15, 2009

James Little

June 14, 2009

Peter Doherty

June 10, 2009

Dr. Richard Twomey

May 28, 2009

Kathleen Connolly

May 20, 2009

Mary Ann McBride

May 18, 2009

Murray McIntyre

January 13, 2009

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September 24–27, 2009
Event Schedule

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Dr. Elizabeth A. Chard Dinner
Alumni Touching Lives
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Loyola Conference Hall

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Golden Grad Luncheon
12:00 noon – 2:00 pm
McNally Theatre Auditorium

Alumni Annual General Meeting
6:00 pm – 6:30 pm | McNally Boardroom

Presidents' Wine & Cheese
and Alumni Awards
6:30 – 8:30 pm
McNally Theatre Auditorium

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Sports Hall of Fame
Induction Ceremony
Reception 9:30 am | Ceremony 10:00 am
Courtside Lounge, The Tower

Football Pre-Game Reception
1:30 pm | Courtside Lounge, The Tower

Football Game
2:00 pm | Huskies Stadium

SMU Sociable
7:00 pm | Mosaic, 1584 Argyle Street
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Huskies 5k Fun Run
Run with your pack!
9:00 am | Huskies Stadium
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spouse, kids, co-workers
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