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Links forged with Japanese University

Professors, students to make exchange visits

by Chuck Bridges

The world became a little smaller following a visit by educators from Hokkaido University of Education in Hakodate, Japan. During the visit an agreement was signed which will see an exchange of professors and students between the two universities. Dean Masayoshi Suzuki, and Mr. Toshiyuki Kaneko, Assistant Director of Administration, visited the campus in late January to learn more about Saint Mary's and to sign the agreement, which will be presented shortly to the governing bodies of the two universities.

The agreement will encourage exchange visits between the academic and administrative staff of the two universities and see teaching, research and joint projects develop over the next five years. The agreement will see students from both universities travelling to study language training, science, the social sciences and humanities, and teachers' education. (There will soon be a call for applications to study in Hakodate!)

The agreement is the first formal arrangement between Saint Mary's and a university in Japan, although during the 1989-90 academic year, two faculty members and five students from Hokkaido University are at Saint Mary's under an informal agreement. It also is another step in Saint Mary's growing international efforts. The Canada/China Language and Cultural Program continues to prosper and Saint Mary's has formed ties with a number of cities in the Peoples' Republic of China. The Faculty of Commerce is also working with business students in several locations in China.

Hokkaido University sent its two senior administrators to negotiate the agreement because of the



The Japanese visitors in front of the McNally Building. Left to right, front row: Dr. Roger Barnsley (Dean of Education), Mr. Kaneko (Hokkaido), Dean Suzuki (Hokkaido), Professor Tadashi Okudaira and Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon (President). Back row: Dr. John

Lee (Asian Studies), Mr. Ron Lewis (Chief Librarian), Dr. Michael Larsen (Dean of Arts), Mr. Greg Ferguson (Director of Admissions), Professor Yasuo Ueyama.

importance it places on the sister-university relationship. As Dean Suzuki told a luncheon audience which included the Minister of Advanced Education and Job Training, Joel Matheson, "...things are flourishing and developing...". Eight students from Hakodate plan to attend Saint Mary's in the fall now that the agreement has been initialled.

Hakodate, the home of the Hokkaido University of Education, is Halifax's twin city. During their visit, the Japanese educators met with several on-campus groups, and attended, a Halifax City Hall reception in their honour and a luncheon at Dartmouth City Hall. They spent some time with Joel Matheson in his office. Speaker of the House, Arthur Donahoe, also met with them in the Premier's office.

Dean Suzuki and Mr. Kaneko were joined on their visit here by Mr. Choichi Takahashi who is principal of a Japanese junior high school which is twinned with Fairview Junior High School in Halifax.

There is a different administration system in Japan. Dean Suzuki and Mr. Kaneko are the top ranking representatives of their university. While their official titles are "Dean" and "Mr.", they would be Vice-Presidents within the Canadian system. They are in fact, responsible for their university because in Japan the office of the president is largely ceremonial and he is elected by faculty.

Science faculty offers co-op study programs

Students majoring in Geology, Chemistry and Computing Science will soon be able to combine their academic studies with hands-on work experience in their chosen field. The Faculty of Science has set up co-operative programs in these three fields. Computing Science students will begin their first work terms in May 1990, while those in the other two disciplines will start in May 1991.

In the new programs, students will begin with the normal first year of academic study, then alternate semesters of academic instruction with five or six supervised four-month work terms in business and industry.

Computing Science offers its co-op program to major students, while Geology and Chemistry have programs for major and honors students.

Dr. Larry Hughes, who is co-ordinating the program for Computing Science, is delighted with the initial response from students. "We have received twelve

Alternate studies with work experience

responses," he says, "twice as many as expected." It seems likely six will be chosen to pioneer the program. Hughes is currently negotiating with potential employers to set up placements for the students. He says, "Initially it will just be the top students, but my long term goal is to have every student in Co-op."

Dr. Georgia Pe-Piper is Co-ordinator of the Geology program. She believes the new system is an excellent idea. "For students the advantage is that they get practical education in addition to academic," she says. "For universities it is an effective way of communicating with employers, and for employers there are two advantages. They can hire intelligent and motivated students for a short period, and if they have openings for permanent employees,

they can choose from these good students."

Dr. Clive Elson is co-ordinating the Chemistry program and he too is enthusiastic about the new system. "Students who have gone through these programs have been readily accepted by employers," he says, "because they pick up some maturity of judgement during the co-op program. They have the same academic skills, but also others associated with being in the workplace, having to deal with people, and having to meet industrial deadlines." He believes, however, the program is not for everyone. He says, "It is not for the academic, research oriented students; it is only designed for those who would like to have industrial experience. You can say we are diversifying to attract both types of students."

A final benefit to the students is that jobs at a reasonable wage are ensured during their university years, helping them with the cost of their education.

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Chuck Bridges
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One question we're afraid to ask

ED KOCH, who until recently was the Mayor of New York City, liked to ask everyone and anyone, "How am I doing?" Koch thought it was the best way of soliciting a quick and honest response to his mayoralty. He often received just that and it was often not what he wanted to hear. However, the off-the-cuff comments which were given helped him to gauge the pulse of his city and its huge population. It helped him return New York City to a level of prominence which for a while was lost. It was not that long ago that New York City was poised to fall into economic chaos. Bills were unpaid, debts were huge and its once busy and proud streets were unsafe and dirty. The dirt may still be there but New York now enjoys international stature and a healthy ego. Koch's earnest question eventually became more of a joke but it had accomplished its purpose.

It is a question which ought to be asked by more people and asked more often. Koch knew that it was most important to his success that the people he served felt that he cared about their impression of his record.

Most of us are afraid to ask the question. Most of us are afraid of the answer. We tell our children to listen and learn. Somewhere that is lost when we enter the workforce. Those lessons we were taught when we were very young don't ever change. (Remember, the story "Everything I Need to Know, I Learned in Kindergarten"?)

The input we receive from the answers should make us all that much better. The economies in which we work all demand better service. It doesn't matter whether it's at work, home, or with friends, it is terribly difficult to do well unless you know that those people like what you are doing for them.

Our job in Public Affairs often requires us to ask the question. It usually is painless. It is, as Ed Koch knew, an opportunity to improve.

Ask us. Ask more people, more often. Ask yourself.

Office workers flock to WTC classes

SAINT MARY'S at the World Trade Centre, the University's latest extension centre, is growing in popularity. Opened in September, it has already offered one successful semester of classes and the program is developing fast.

Manager Sheila Thompson says, "I think it is shaping up really well. We are starting to build awareness of the Centre."

The program at the WTC is designed to appeal to people working in the downtown core of Halifax and Dartmouth. "The credit courses are primarily commerce related," says Sheila, "and most of them at this point are entry level, for people who are just starting out. We are concentrating on introductory accounting and business management."

This approach seems to be working. Sheila says, "The testimonial I had from one lady was, 'Because the course was offered here, I was able to get a start back into university after several years of business.'"

Courses are mostly offered at noon hour and in the late afternoon and evening. This suits the students well, but means that Sheila and Karen Smith, who is Co-ordinator of the Professional Development Program, have to work staggered hours. Personal service is an important feature of the Centre. "Someone is always here to greet people, answer questions and take registrations," says Sheila, "and we have a coffee pot that is always on."

In addition to credit courses, the Centre offers non-credit courses under the heading Learning for Professional and Personal



Karen Smith (L) and Sheila Thompson at the World Trade Centre.

Development. These include such subjects as business writing, transforming stress into confidence, effective business meetings and effective presentations. Under the category Personal Development, the Centre offers courses on planning retirement, taxation issues and such aspects of the law as employment law for employees and women and the law.

An important feature of the Centre is its ability to co-sponsor courses with companies and organizations. So far courses have been presented in conjunction with

the Public Legal Education Association, the Institute of Canadian Bankers, and the Atlantic Entrepreneurial Institute. Sheila sees this as a growing trend. Saint Mary's can provide the faculty and the facilities to meet the educational needs of organizations which need courses for the general public and specific groups of employees.

25 people, as opposed to classes on campus with 125 to 140 people in them." The small class size and the nature of the students, all of whom have real experience to bring to the class, help make the courses rather different from those offered on campus. "Discussion is often centred on the relevance of the course material," she says.

Sheila will shortly be going out to businesses in the downtown core to make sure they know about the programs offered at the WTC. She is also writing to all alumni of Saint Mary's, inviting them to visit the Centre and see what it has to offer.

What more can be said about this new venture, except to quote the words of students on their way out of a lunch time course: "This is better than having to go out after work." "I just love the location." "It is a good course, and I am enjoying the fact that it is so close to my work."

THE UNIVERSITY'S Executive MBA program will take place at the WTC. In this new program, 20 to 25 hand-picked executives will spend Fridays and Saturdays over a two-year period acquiring the management skills that will take Canada into the 21st century.

The Certificate Program in Arena Management has also been moved to the WTC to relieve pressure on the campus and there are many other programs in the planning stages.

Class sizes are restricted by the size of the facility. This is a major plus for students and Sheila says, "We are looking at classes of 10 to

APPEAL

Paul Gouett

Many people on campus know Paul Gouett, who lives in the Loyola Residence and whose activities as a volunteer were featured in the October 1989 issue of The Times. The following letter from Paul is self-explanatory:



Paul Gouett

Increasingly over the past few years my multiple sclerosis has progressed on its course. That is one of the unfortunate effects of having a degenerative disease; it never stays in one spot.

Presently, I am unable to drive my electric wheelchair because my hands are no longer useful. To achieve any type of mobility independence I must move on to a very expensive type with head controls. These work on the principle of an electrical field and will allow me to type. That measure of freedom will cost from \$10 to \$17,000! Independence of any type exacts a tremendous price. This is no exception!

The bill for this wheelchair is prohibitive without help. I am therefore making this public appeal for your financial support. I'll gratefully accept any and all contributions.

Thank you
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Correction

The editor wishes to apologise for two errors which were contained in the obituary for Dr. Harold Beazley in the December issue of The Times and thanks Rev. Robert D. Walsh for drawing them to her attention.

It was Pope Paul VI, not Pope John Paul VI who awarded Dr. Beazley the papal medal Pro Ecclesia et Pontifica. In addition, Dr. Beazley's service to Saint Mary's began under the Irish Christian Brothers and continued with them for four years, until the Jesuits took over in 1940.



Check-up

Dr. Anthony Farrell (Modern Languages) has his cholesterol level checked during Wellness Day at The tower.

Big turnout for Wellness Day

More than 125 faculty and staff members took advantage of Wellness Day to study ways of improving their health and lifestyles. On January 24 the Tower was the scene of workshops and demonstrations on many different aspects of physical and mental health. Keynote speaker Anthea Bellemare, Fitness Co-ordinator for the Department of Health and Fitness, posed the question, "Are you the best you can be?" and spoke about everyday alternatives that can help us get more out of our lives.

The Wellness Committee organized workshops on time management, cancer prevention, fitness, relationships, maintaining motivation, stress, heart smart cooking, back pain and other

common concerns. Many participants took advantage of the demonstrations which were available throughout the day. The most popular were booths which offered cholesterol testing, blood pressure checking, and massage.

Wellness Committee Chairperson, Kathy Mullane regarded

the day as a huge success and hopes it will be possible to continue to offer these support systems for the Saint Mary's community. The Wellness Committee hopes that the day has been of benefit to the participants and would like to thank Dr. Ozmon for his support of the Program.

Students with disabilities discuss funding crisis

Some of the 80 students with disabilities who study at Saint Mary's gathered recently for the first meeting of the University's Access Awareness Committee.

This Committee, which is chaired by student Tom MacSween, has been formed at a time when the University's services to students with disabilities are threatened by lack of funding.

The Committee plans to get all students with disabilities together in the near future and explain to them the crisis which has arisen over the funding of the Atlantic Centre of Support for Disabled Students. The Centre, which provides a wide range of services to help students with disabilities obtain post-secondary education and employment, was originally funded by the federal government. It was planned that funding would be taken over by the Province of Nova Scotia. Despite some provincial help, this has not happened.

Atlantic Centre Director David Leitch, made it clear that the University has reached the end of its ideas on how to obtain funding for the Centre, and that it is now up to the students themselves to tell the government how essential the Centre is to them. "There have got to be 50 to 60 students," said Leitch, "and they have got to be as mad as hell, or they might as well close it up."

The Committee, which includes Vice-chairman John Doucette, Secretary Donna Sutton and Treasurer Robert Hessian, will shortly sponsor a letter writing campaign in support of the Atlantic Centre.

Before the funding crisis arose, the Committee was planned as a vehicle to allow students with disabilities to decide for themselves how things are to be done and give them more input into decisions made for and about them.

Expect to hear more of this committee and be ready to support its campaign to save the Atlantic Centre!

Winter Carnival

January 26 and 27 saw a flock of pink flamingos descend on campus to help students celebrate Winter Carnival.



Photos

TOP: Yuka Kamazaki, Tomoko Kuroki and Yoko Kanda, founding members of the Mary's University Japanese Students Association, displayed their national costumes, flags and samples of Japanese script during the Pink Flamingo Carnival. They also sold charming examples of origami in an effort to make their culture better known to Saint Mary's students.

CENTRE: Members of AIESEC looked after the flamingos in the Colonnade. L to R: Krista McKluskey, Sean Ryan and Neil Williams.

BOTTOM: Members of the Caribbean Society created a little piece of home in the Colonnade during Pink Flamingo Days. L to R: Sandra Kasab, Sharon Green and Mona Nahaus.



Saint Mary's University Quality of Teaching Committee

Second Annual Innovative Grants Program
Applications from full- and part-time faculty will be accepted until 30 April 1990.
Applications should be addressed to Dr. Geraldine Thomas, Department of Modern Languages and Classics, Saint Mary's University.

The Father William A. Stewart, S.J. Medal for Teaching

Nominations are being accepted for this award. Each year the Alumni Association presents this medal to a faculty member who has made a special contribution to teaching at Saint Mary's. Selection is based on teaching ability and classroom performance, interaction with students and extra-curricular contributions to the life of the University.

The medal was established in 1983 to honor Father Stewart, who taught in the Philosophy Department at Saint Mary's for many years.

Deadline for nominations is Friday, 2 March 1990.
For further information contact Heather Brown, Alumni Officer, 420-5420.



Achievement Scholarships and Named Undergraduate Scholarships 1990-1991

Application packages may be obtained from the Financial Aid Office
4th Floor, O'Donnell-Hennessey Student Centre
after 14 March 1990
Deadline: 25 May 1990
Applications will not be accepted after the 25 May deadline

Publications

Geology

Dr. John Waldron published a paper, with Dr. Georgia Pe-Piper and Dr. D.J.W. Piper of the Geological Survey of Canada, entitled "Deformation of the Cape Chignecto Pluton, Cobequid Highlands, Nova Scotia: Thrusting at the Meguma-Avalon boundary in *Atlantic Geology*, Volume 25, pp 51-62.

Commerce

Dr. Atul Dar, (Economics) and Dr. J. Colin Dodds (Dean of Commerce), published "Interest rates, the emergency fund hypothesis and saving through endowment policies: some empirical evidence for the UK" in *The Journal of Risk and Insurance*, September 1989.

Economics

Dr. Ather Akbari published "The benefits of immigrants to Canada: evidence on tax and public services" in *Canadian Public Policy*, December 1989.

Dr. James Ahiakpor published "The economic consequences of political independence: the case of Bermuda" with the Fraser Institute, 1989. He also published an article entitled "Bank doesn't control interest rates," in *The Financial Post*, 17 October 1989, p 16.

English

The ECW Press, Toronto recently published a monograph by Dr. Terry Whalen. Entitled *Charles G.D. Roberts and His Works*, it is available in paperback and was also published in the Canadian Writers and their Worlds, fiction series, also published by ECW Press. The monograph is a study of Roberts' fiction. It contains sections on his biography, tradition and milieu, and critical reception, as well as a critical appreciation of his novels and short stories.

Biology

Dr. Alfonso Rojo's book *Archaeologist's Guide to Fish Osteology* has been accepted for publication by British Archaeology Research (BAR) in Oxford, England.

Management

Dr. Hari Das has published *Organization Theory with Canadian Applications*, which is the first Canadian book on this subject. The book is published by Gage Publications, Ontario.

Education

Dr. Donald Weeren recently published an article entitled "Hartshorne and May Revisited" in *Moral Education Forum*, Vol.14, No.4, Winter 1989, pp 16-19.

Astronomy

Dr. David Turner and Dr. Gary Welch published "Practical techniques for photographic iris photometry of mixed-quality plates" in the *Publications of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific*, Vol.101, pp1038-1045, 1989.

Dr. David Turner published "Comments on the cluster main-sequence fitting method. III. Empirical UB_v reddening lines for early-type stars," in the *Astronomical Journal*, Vol.98, pp 2300-2305, 1989. He also published an obituary of the Reverend Roger Leclaire, S.J. in *Journal of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada*, Vol.83, pp. 250-251, 1989.

Professor Mario Pedreros published a paper entitled "The open cluster NGC 2818 and its associated planetary nebula" in the *Astronomical Journal*, Vol.98, pp 2146-2155, 1989.

Geology

Dr. Georgia Pe-Piper and D.J.W. Piper published a paper on "The geological significance of manganese distribution in Jurassic-Cretaceous rocks of the Pindos Basin, Peloponnese, Greece" in *Sedimentary Geology*, 65, pp 127-137. They also published a paper on "Spatial and Temporal variation in Late Cenozoic back-arc volcanic rocks, Aegean Sea Region" in *Tectonophysics*, 169, pp 113-134.

Sociology

Dr. Jo-Anne Fiske published a paper on "Life at Lejac" in *Sa Ts 'E: Historical Perspectives on Northern British Columbia*, Thomas Thorner (ed), Prince George, British Columbia: College of New Caledonia Press, pp 235-272. This paper describes the experiences of the Carrier people in a residential mission school.

Geography

Dr. Peter Ricketts recently published "Integrated information systems: the key to coastal management," in *Coastal Zone 89*, No.5, pp 4138-4150, Proceedings of the Sixth Symposium on Coastal and Ocean Management, American Society of Civil Engineers, N.Y., 1989 (with A. McIver and M. Butler). He also published "Coastal erosion and community perceptions at Nye Beach, Oregon," in the same publication, pp 899-914.

History

Lt. Francis I.W. Jones CD RCN (Retd), an honors-equivalency student in History, has had accepted for publication in the *Mariner's Mirror*, a paper originally presented to Dr. G.F.W. Young's Modern History Seminar. It is entitled "The German Challenge to British Shipping, 1885-1914: its magnitude, nature and impact in China."



Saint Mary's students who spent last summer in Germany are, left to right, front row: Sonia Martin, Nancy Erhardt and Roseanne Augustus. Back row: Heather Howell, Ericka Turner and Christine DeWolf.

ACADEMIC NEWS

Students recount travels

On the last day of classes before Christmas the Modern Languages and Classics Department hosted an Open House which focused on its overseas study programs for students.

French, Spanish and German food and wines provided a festive note as slides were shown of Saint Mary's partner university in France, the Université Catholique in Angers.

A student who had spent a year in Spain gave a slide presentation on her experience and details of a six-week program planned for the Dominican Republic were explained to the students present.

The students who spent the summer 1989 semester at Cologne University were on hand and a video on their visit was shown. In addition Ericka Turner, who received the Goethe Institut scholarship last year, explained that program. Many of the students present had spent time abroad on Saint Mary's programs and were able to report on their experiences and answer questions.

People

Honorary degree recipient

Dr. Geraldine Kenney-Wallace, who received an honorary degree from Saint Mary's in 1988, has been named president and vice-chancellor of McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, effective July 1. She is the second woman to head an Ontario University.

Geology

Dr. Q.A. Siddiqui has had a new crustacean species *Pachycaudites Siddiqui*, named after him in recognition of his work on Tertiary ostracods from Western Asia. This ostracod (seed shrimp) species was found in the Lower Miocene (25 million years) of Kerala, India, by S.C. Khosla and M.L. Nagori. It is described in Memoir 14, Geological Society of India, pp 45-46, 1989.

Dr. John Waldron gave a talk entitled "Structure of the Acadian Deformation Front, Port au Port Peninsula" at the annual meeting of the Lithoprobe East working group in St. John's, Newfoundland. The talk was co-authored with Glen S. Stockmal of the Geological Survey of Canada.

Geography

Dr. Peter Ricketts presented a paper entitled "The Canadian experience in developing a marine and coastal GIS for the Gulf of Maine - a review of the FMG project" at a recent conference on The Gulf of Maine: Sustaining our Common Heritage, held in Portland, Maine. He also presented a poster and computer display on the FMG Project in conjunction with Claudette LeBlanc, Dave Salter and Lee McNeil of the Land Registration and Information Service, Amherst, N.S.

Vice-President

(Academic and Research)

Dr. Joseph Jabbar was recently elected to the College of Fellows of the International Association of Middle Eastern Studies. The College of Fellows has members from 57 countries and membership in it is restricted to those nominated and approved by the Executive Committee of the College.

Economics

Dr. James Ahiakpor presented two papers at the History of Economic Thought Workshop of the Economics Department, University of Toronto in November. One was entitled "On Keynes's mis-interpretation of 'capital' in the classical theory of interest," and the other "Keynes on the classical theory of interest: why Hicks's clarifications could not be successful."

Dr. Ahiakpor also presented a paper on "Can and should the central bank control the money supply as now defined?" at the Department of Economics Seminar, Dalhousie University, in November. Dr. Ahiakpor also participated in a panel discussion on Apartheid South Africa during the Africa Week activities held at Dalhousie in November. His topic was "Contemplating the quality of freedom after apartheid."

Dr. Ather Akbari presented a paper entitled "Do Third World Immigrants Impose a cost on the Canadian Public Treasury" at the sixth annual general meeting of the Pakistan Society of Development Economics in Islamabad, Pakistan, in January. Dr. Akbari recently completed a survey on "Economics of Immigration and Racism: A Literature Survey 1970-87" for the Canadian Department of Multiculturalism



Scott Maritimes Scholarship

Rhonda Fraser is the winner of the first Scott Maritimes Scholarship for Physically Challenged Students. She received her award from Scott Public Affairs Manager Jack Kyte recently. Rhonda is a second year English major from Pictou County. Left to right, Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, Rhonda and Jack Kyte.

Student Services

Keith Hotchkiss, Director of Student Services, is serving as the eastern representative on the executive of the Student Affairs Division of the Canadian Association of College and University Student Services. This year's CACUSS conference will be held at the University of Toronto.

Clay Fowler, Director of Residence, is serving as President of the Atlantic Association of College and University Student Services. AACUSS sponsors several professional development workshops throughout the year. This year's annual conference will be held in June at the Nova Scotia Agricultural College and is entitled "Enrichment and Enlightenment: Issues for the 90s."

Candace Bryson, Assistant Director of Residence, is serving as the housing representative on the executive of AACUSS.

Susan Shaw, Counsellor and Sexual Harassment Advisor, presented a paper on "The Representation of Women in University Publications" as part of a panel on Publications Development at a conference of the Canadian Bureau of International Education, in Toronto, in November. She also presented a paper on "The Formal Hearing Process" as part of a panel on The Legal Interpretations of Sexual Harassment" at the National Conference of Sexual Harassment Advisors in Windsor, Ontario, in November.

Sociology

Dr. Jo-Anne Fiske presented a paper on "The Political Status of Native Indian Women in Reserve Communities in Canada," at the annual meeting of the Canadian Ethnic Association in Calgary. She also presented a paper on "Gender and Education in Carrier Society" at the National Symposium on Aboriginal Women, Lethbridge, Alberta.

Dr. Ronald Cosper delivered a paper entitled "Rates of Lexical Change in Egyptian and Semitic" to the annual meeting of the Atlantic Provinces Linguistic Association in Saint John, New Brunswick.

Dr. Richard Hadden presented a paper on "Deviance and Ascription of Special Powers: Satanism, Witchcraft, and the Moonies" to the annual meeting of the Canadian Sociology and Anthropology Association, held in Quebec City. He also delivered a paper on "Artful Discourse and Adequate Discourse: Irony and Social Theories of Science" at the Workshop on Science and Technological Studies held at Mount Allison University, N.B.

Anthropology

George Heisler, who graduated last year with a major in Anthropology, is currently enrolled in the Master's program at Memorial University, Newfoundland and was awarded a full Fellowship (\$6,500) plus a teaching assistantship (\$3,000). He plans to continue his research, started at Saint Mary's, into the Late Pre-History of Nova Scotia. Tentative plans are underway to have a number of present Anthropology students involved in his excavation of sites near Wolfville.

Registrar

Ms Elizabeth A. Chard was recently re-elected to the Board of Directors and Executive of the Canadian Bureau for International Education, which has its annual meeting and conference for 1990 scheduled for Halifax in November. Ms. Chard is chairing the Organizing Committee, which will also include Keith Hotchkiss, Director of Student Services.

Management Science

Professor Terry Wagar received a Distinguished Paper Prize for his paper on "The impact of gender on attitude towards sexual harassment in a poisoned work environment" at the annual meeting of the Human Resource Management and Organizational Behaviour Association in Boston recently.

Committee grants teaching awards

Saint Mary's Quality of Teaching Committee recently gave ten grants totalling \$4,767 for innovative teaching at the University. The awards, which ranged from \$80 to \$800, went to the following professors:

- Professor Paul Bernard (Modern Languages and Classics): *Computer programs for communication in French.*
- Dr. Douglas Day (Geography): *Supercard, cartography and computer mapping.*
- Dr. Anthony Farrell (Modern Languages and

Classics): *Preparation of audio tapes recorded by native speakers of Spanish.*

- Professor David Gray (Finance and Management Science): *Computer software for creating interactive instruction.*
- Dr. Larry Hughes (Mathematics and Computing Science): *Lego for teaching introductory computing science courses.*
- Professor David Pigot (English): *Self-help computer programs for English 200.*
- Professor Francis Phillips (Education): *Exploration of remedial help methods for*

students in math and science.

- Dr. Emero Stiegman (Religious Studies): *Discovering secular surrogates to the religious imagery of the culture.*
- Dr. Linda Van Esch (Marketing): *Attend conference of Association for Business Simulation and Experimental Learning.*
- Dr. John Waldron (Geology): *Geological structure models using fine-textured polystyrene foam.*

The Committee believes this selection indicates computers are now a major factor in university teaching and that Saint Mary's faculty want to be part of this new world.

In selecting winners the Committee looked at

a number of criteria. These included the degree of teaching innovation in the project; whether the project benefits the student rather than the faculty member; whether it was of benefit over a long period, not just to a particular group of students over a short period; the usefulness of the idea to other faculty members, and the creativity of the idea.

The idea of small grants for innovative teaching was pioneered by the University of Waterloo.

The Quality of Teaching Committee is now accepting applications for the second annual program, for which the closing date is 30 April.

MBA student sponsored by African aid plan

MARGARET Waithaka is a long way from her home in Kenya, but her native land is rarely far from her thoughts. She is taking an MBA at Saint Mary's University under the sponsorship of Africa 2000, a federal government initiative to bring African women to Canada to study.

Margaret did her basic education in Kenya, then went to Leeds University in England to do a 3-year program in chemical engineering. She chose the program because, she says, "I wanted a career in industry and felt one way to get into it would be to have a professional engineering degree and be part of the manufacturing business."

Her overall goal, she says, is to "Make a contribution which could help develop my country by promoting the interests of business." Margaret believes strongly in the free enterprise system and says, "I believe the private sector is an engine of growth." She adds, "In any country the government can only do so much. If you can get individuals with enlightened self-interest to do things for the whole economy, it is best."

Once she qualified as an engineer, Margaret returned to her home and began work with a small company which is using a German-invented process to re-cycle lubricating oil. This job gave her hands on experience as a chemical engineer.

Are there many chemical engineers in Kenya? Margaret explains, "There are about 150 chemical engineers...the majority are employed in the oil industry; there are large cement plants which employ them and a number of small scale manufacturing industries." She recently helped to found a professional association for chemical engineers in Kenya.

After three years with this company, Margaret moved to the Kenya Association of Manufacturers (KAM), which she describes as "A private not-for-profit trade association with about 600 members in various manufacturing fields ranging from large multi-nationals to very small family owned industries." She describes this job as, "an excellent opportunity for me to get a real, in-depth appreciation of Kenyan industry."

Working for KAM she prepared policy position papers for government on such issues as price control, export incentives, and infrastructure requirements. She also helped organise a conference in 1986 that



Margaret Waithaka

"brought together private business, private non-government organisations and governments from Africa and the international community to address issues...about survival and development in Africa."

In 1988 Margaret went back into industry, again to widen her experience and move another step towards her objective to "become a well-rounded business woman with emphasis on manufacturing." She joined Esso Kenya shortly after the company was re-structured. Staff had been cut dramatically and the company slogan was "Lean and Mean." She describes her job as, "a baptism of fire," and says, "I had to learn the job during this trend towards lean and mean." It was tough going but she came to enjoy her work costing products for the refinery.

Despite her widening experience, Margaret had begun to feel the need for further education. She says, "With my engineering background I did not have exposure to formal economic theory, finance, or various aspects of human relations management. I was trying to learn as I went along-it was very difficult." In 1987 she took her GMATs, and several universities asked her to apply. Finance, however was a problem. It was not until 1989 when Dr. Colin Dodds, Dean of Commerce, offered her a place and said he had obtained financing from Africa 2000 that she finally realised the next stage of her program.

At Saint Mary's she finds that her MBA courses are bringing together all aspects of her training and giving her the theories she needs to round out her practical experience. Because she had already, "tried to learn on the

job and figure it out for myself," she finds she has a different purpose from students who come straight from undergraduate courses. Luckily many of her classes are in the evenings, where she meets part-timers. With their wider experience, she finds, "We speak the same language."

Margaret knew a little about Halifax before she arrived here because her father obtained his BSc from the Biology Department at Dalhousie in 1965. Now she is enjoying living in Vanier House and says, "I see my two years here as a sabbatical from work. This is probably the last opportunity I shall have to do that." She hopes to travel while she is in Canada, and also aims to become bilingual in French.

Admission standards raised

Saint Mary's University has raised its minimum requirement for admission from 60 to 65 per cent. Director of Admissions Greg Ferguson explains, "In an effort to control our numbers and the quality of new students entering Saint Mary's, the University has decided to officially raise its entrance standards. This will bring us more in line with current practices at other Maritime universities and improve the academic quality of the new student intake."

Saint Mary's prides itself on its accessibility for all qualified students, but Ferguson says, "This past year demand was such that on 1 June both the faculties of Arts and Commerce were officially closed by Dr. Ozmon." He adds, "This unprecedented step was taken in order to maintain the quality of academic programs."

Discussing the reasons for the decision, one of which is ever rising enrolment at Saint Mary's, Ferguson says, "Despite the fact that statistics indicate a decline in the number of high school graduates at the present time, we have not experienced this at Saint Mary's." The University believes it is going to have to deal with increased numbers of qualified students applying for admission.

Ferguson is just beginning the process of reviewing applications for 1990/91. He says, "It is premature to make predictions for the upcoming academic year, but based on current volumes and trends it appears as if Saint Mary's will continue to be viewed as a popular choice among many students contemplating university education." He believes that enrolment will remain at current levels or even higher.

Biology students help Child Care Centre

Biology Technician Mary Maloney grew lots of plants and the Biology Society sold them in Loyola to raise funds for Saint Mary's Child Care Centre. Seen here offering their wares are Paula Clarke (Vice President) and Randall Herman (President).



Enthusiasm for Executive MBA program

Dr. Colin Dodds, Dean of Commerce at Saint Mary's University has been swamped with enquiries since he announced the start up of the University's new Executive Master of Business Administration (MBA) program in December. 200 would-be students from New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island replied to advertisements about the new two-year course, which is designed to offer busy executives the fast track to success. Only 20 will be chosen to take part in the program when classes begin in September 1990. Eager executives are flocking to the information sessions which Dr. Dodds is holding in Halifax, Sydney, Moncton and Saint John.

Taught by members of the

Commerce Faculty at Saint Mary's and by experts brought in from Atlantic Canada and across the nation, the Executive MBA provides large and small companies, institutions and the public service with a way to train their most promising employees to face the new world of international competition which Canada must enter or fail. Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, President of Saint Mary's, says "People are our nation's greatest resource and at Saint Mary's we pride ourselves on educating the managers who will carry Canada to success in the twenty-first century."

The Executive MBA will take two years to complete and the Program is structured so that the participant and his or her sponsoring

organization will be able to meet common goals without major disruption to job assignments and home life. It covers four University semesters, and each semester consists of four 26-hour modules. Classes meet on alternating weeks on Fridays and Saturdays, with an additional week of residency each year.

Admission to the program will be based on consideration of the applicants academic record, scores on the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) and work experience. Because of the wealth of experience which will be found among the participants, course work will be a co-operative effort between skilled instructors and seasoned business people.

Varied reaction to Report

FACULTY, staff and students of Saint Mary's had an opportunity to comment on the report of the President's Committee on the Future of the University during an afternoon session on 12 January. Although classes were in progress, a wide cross-section of the University community attended the session and many expressed their hopes and fears for the future of our institution. These are some of their comments on the Report, which was distributed just before Christmas.

**Dr. Bernard Davis
(Education)**

Pointed out that statistics dating back to the 1940s indicate that the anticipated reduction in numbers of high school students in Nova Scotia may not materialise. If it does, he believes, such a drop will be offset by increased participation in post-secondary education by high school students. The result would be continued pressure on enrolment at Saint Mary's, which he feels should be taken into consideration in plans for the future.

Dr. Davis also expressed concern about changing the rules for withdrawal of graduate programs. He believes that the successful Master's Program in Education would not have come about under the rules proposed.

**Dr. Marty Zelenietz
(Anthropology)**

Spoke on behalf of part-time faculty members, and explained the financial and social difficulties they face through trying to teach at several institutions while also conducting research. He expressed appreciation for the Committee's comments on

the lack of "academic respectability" enjoyed by part-time faculty members and commended the University for making the improvement of the situation a priority.

**Dr. Guy Chauvin
(Political Science)**

Suggested that care must be taken in curtailing enrolment because accessibility has been pin-pointed in the past as a major problem, especially accessibility for such minorities as native people and immigrants. The problem, he said, is tied to the fact that Canadian participation rates in post-secondary education are half those of the United States, which we have recently entered into a trade agreement that increases competition between the two countries. He suggested funding be sought to maintain and improve accessibility.

**Dr. Helen Ralston
(Sociology)**

Reflected on the role of universities around the world, especially those in China, San Salvador and Eastern Europe. She suggested that recent events there and in Montreal should make us believe that universities must play an important role in society with respect to what our values are and how we should act on them.

**Dr. Kathleen Tudor
(English)**

Regretted the lack of mention of athletics in the Report and commented on the fact that it played an important part in the history of Saint Mary's.

She believes that the University needs to give special consideration to the quality of work life for women at Saint Mary's, especially in the residences. More emphasis should also be given to the needs of Canadian minority students and foreign students.

She also suggested that the requirement for science subjects for Arts students could be changed to allow them to study such things as art, music, the social sciences and economics.

**Mr. Doug Vaisey
(Library)**

Challenged the suggestion that hours of library service be extended because staff are already under extreme pressure. Dr. Earp assured him that the Committee intended that hours would only be extended if more staff are provided.

**Dr. Gillian Thomas
(Modern Languages and Classics)**

Expressed disappointment that the Faculty of Arts, the largest in the University, warranted so little mention in the Report. "We have some serious difficulties in Arts," she said. These problems result mostly from burgeoning enrolment.

Dr. Thomas also requested that the University consider eliminating one summer session and moving to a tri-semester system because the regular sessions have been compressed to the point where she can teach only about one half to two thirds of the material in a course that she did ten years ago.

**Dr. Jo-Anne Fiske
(Sociology)**

Congratulated the University on its support for the scholarship commemorating the victims of the Montreal massacre and on its positive action in hiring more women faculty. She suggested it might also seek to increase the number of women in administrative positions and set up programs to draw women from the MicMac, black and immigrant communities into the University.

She regretted that the Report did not deal with the problems faced by women in residence and the special problems faced by women part-time faculty members and asked that more recognition be given to women clerical staff.

**Rick Woodburn
(President, Philosophy Society)**

Regretted that so few students had an opportunity to read the Report and hoped that it would be made available to them.

**Dr. Harold McGee
(Anthropology)**

Believed the Report did not take a sufficiently dynamic view of the future and the many changes the University will have to adjust to. These include adaptation to new technology and the possible creation of new graduate

the role of SMUSA could have been included in the Report to its advantage.

**Dr. Peter Ricketts
(Research Officer)**

Felt that the role of research in the University should have received more coverage in the Report and would have liked to see some discussion of ways in which research can best be handled at an institution primarily devoted to undergraduate education. He mentioned the 1987 report of the Senate Research Committee, which declared teaching and research to have equal status at Saint Mary's.

Dr. Ricketts supported the Committee's recommendation that stressed the importance of involving undergraduates in research at Saint Mary's.

Dean Tozer (Treasurer, SMUSA)

Felt that problems in residence had not received sufficient attention in the Report.

Ian Morrison (V-P, SMUSA)

Reminded those present that the university experience is not just academic and suggested extra-curricular activities should also have been considered. He also suggested that students might receive credits for contributions to such aspects of university life as service on the Executive of SMUSA.

Dr. John Reid (History)

Felt that graduate studies did not receive adequate attention in the Report and strongly refuted the suggestion made that graduate

should develop a philosophy of education which considers whether students should be educated for the job market or graduate school, or whether they should be educated to think and meet the needs of society.

**Michael Shook
(International Briefing Centre)**

Supported the recommendation of the Committee that an international officer be appointed, presumably to support international students within the University and market the services of the University to students overseas. He felt that international programs at Saint Mary's have sprung up with little co-ordination and need liaison.

Margot Schenk (Library)

Said she was encouraged by most of the Committee's comments on the Library, but felt recommendations should address levels of staffing as well as considering acquisitions.

Louis Dursi (Physical Plant)

Supported the Committee's recommendation that institutionalised planning be set up to try and rationalise the needs for space.

As a parent, he expressed concern about current exam scheduling.

**Linda MacDonald
(Continuing Education)**

Appreciated the positive statements the Report makes about the role of mature and part-time students, but referred to adverse comments on these students made by some faculty members. She believes that although they may not have normal entrance qualification, what they have gained from experience of life more than makes up for this.

**Dr. Pat Fitzgerald
(Management)**

Endorsed earlier comments that the role of faculty has been expanded and said demands on them are increasing all the time. She believes more assistance is needed for faculty.

Frank Phillips (Education)

Regretted that the Report did not begin with a discussion of the philosophy of education. He believes it is important to declare that all people have a right to education, to offset comments about capping enrolment. In his opinion, the future of Saint Mary's is vulnerable in light of possible government cutbacks, and that it is essential to carve out a mission for the institution. He suggested this could be the task of another committee.

Dr. Phillips supported the Committee's recommendation that the University should get away from the lecture/seminar style of teaching and try new methods.

**Dr. Joseph Jabbara
(Vice-President, Academic and Research)**

Closed the proceedings by thanking Dr. Ozmon for setting up the Committee and Dr. Earp and his fellow members for producing the report. "It will help us make the right choices," he said, "eliminate our weaknesses, build on our strengths and make the choices we need to build on the future to continue to flourish." Thanking the participants at the discussion, he said, "With your help, nothing is impossible."



Mission Statement

THE COMMITTEE proposes that the overall mission of Saint Mary's University is defined by commitment:

- to excellence in teaching and research
- to concern for the individual student]
- to the tradition of an integrated, holistic liberal education with an applied orientation in Arts, Science, Commerce and Education
- to a broad and balanced undergraduate curriculum with selective programs of graduate study
- to the development of a university community that promotes the social, physical, moral and spiritual development of its members
- to a comprehensive program of university education for part-time students
- to promoting the development of the good citizen who is concerned with the cultural, social and economic welfare of the civic community
- to making the presence of the University felt through appropriate leadership and service in Nova Scotia and throughout Atlantic Canada

programs. He suggested programs to re-educate faculty members in new technologies and that their ability to adapt be considered in the hiring and promotion process.

**Sanjeev Chowdhury
(President, SMUSA)**

Believes international students should be offered more help in adjusting to Canada. He liked the Committee's suggestion that continuing education students should have a set 3 to 5 year plan for graduation and suggested this should apply to all students. He also suggested it would have been helpful to have a staff member on the Committee, and that discussion of

studies are potentially detrimental to undergraduate courses. He would have liked to see some discussion of remuneration for thesis supervision and other teaching duties associated with graduate studies, as well as more consideration of the overall role of graduate studies as a function of the University.

**Dr. Victor Catano
(Psychology)**

Felt that the Report was more of a prescription to remedy existing problems than a vision for the future. He believed it should contain a statement of the University's expectations of the roles of both students and faculty. He believes we

Minority report tabled

Dr. Donald Weeren, Religious Studies, was a member of the President's Committee on the Future of the University, but he decided to table a minority report on a point which he felt had not received sufficient attention from the Committee.

Dr. Weeren believes the University should provide an education in values which not only exposes students to an environment where values are practiced, but also invites them to engage in disciplined reflection on those values. He believes that this reflection should be supported by the resources of the intellectual and spiritual traditions that help define our humanity.

He believes such a decision would be in line with the statement contained in the University charter, which specifies among the objectives of the institution, that it should "Give special emphasis to the Christian tradition and values in higher education."

In his report, Dr. Weeren recommends that the University affirm its commitment to the practice and study of values and that it conduct an annual conference at which students and faculty could engage in discussion of significant values issues. He also recommends that the University continue to foster special projects which encourage research and education in values.

Report of the President's Committee

The future Of

Saint Mary's

A BRIEF OVERVIEW of the findings and recommendations of the President's Committee on the Future of the University

Demand

It is likely that full-time student enrolment will drop in light of projected high school graduation figures and that a higher proportion of the student body will be mature and part-time students.

Financial Resources

Money is likely to continue to be a problem for all Canadian universities and there will be a need for more effort to obtain private funding. New initiatives are most likely to succeed if they are self-funding. In the near future, however, Saint Mary's may receive a once only boost from the province, to compensate for years of under-funding. Spending this money should be based on considerations of enhancing the student experience.

Institutional size and composition

There is a general feeling that student enrolment has outstripped physical facilities and staff resources. The Committee believes further large-scale expansion should not be considered, but that it is unrealistic to think of reduction in numbers. It suggests efforts should be made to manage growth and restrict growth to sectors which can accommodate it. The Committee found no support for suggestions that Saint Mary's should abandon 'unprofitable lines.' It suggests that Commerce is in a position to be more selective in its enrolment program.

The Committee believes undergraduate teaching should remain the chief focus of the University and that the establishment of new post-graduate courses should be approached with caution.

The committee recommends a regular review of all existing programs as part of the University's renewed emphasis on quality.

Co-operative programs

The Committee suggests that co-operative programs be introduced as a way of attracting scholarship level students and strengthening links with the business community.

Co-operation with other universities

It is in the interests of Saint Mary's that a policy of co-operation be adopted and pursued between the universities in Halifax.

Admissions

The Committee believes the University should remain committed to a policy of accessibility, but that a new formula for admissions be based on determining the number of the students the University can accommodate. It recommends that entrance requirements be raised to an average of 65 per cent. In addition to English, students applying for admission should offer some of the subjects deemed necessary as an appropriate preparation for university.

Admissions mix

The Committee recommends the University actively encourage the enrolment of foreign students and students from other areas of Canada in order to provide the richest possible educational experience for all students.

Continuing Education

The Committee believes much of the future of Saint Mary's lies in the area of continuing education. It recommends that several administrative changes be made to accommodate the needs of part-time students. Efforts should be made to ensure that part-time students can obtain all the courses they need in the evening and to ensuring that the library and other administrative offices are open at hours suited to the needs of part-time students.

Extension centres

Although extension centres would appear to be a good way of offering additional courses without increasing the load on the main campus, new centres should be opened only after careful evaluation of the need for them. Sackville and Dartmouth are seen to offer opportunities in this field. The Committee sees non-credit courses offered on a cost-recovery basis as a good area of potential growth, but feels these should not be undertaken to the detriment of the degree programs which are central to the University's mission.

The quality of teaching and learning at Saint Mary's

Good teaching is seen as being of paramount importance in an undergraduate institution. The Committee recommends a review of methods of assessing student performance to ensure they really bring to light the strengths and deficiencies that define a valid university education. The present provisions for assessing teaching performance are not adequate and rely on a course evaluation system which should be complemented by other sources of information. Mechanisms should be put in place to provide professorial appraisals of teaching. The Committee also recommends that a review of teaching and learning strategies be put in place in order to

residences and their place within the University should be sought. It suggests the establishment of a special task force including students to discuss all aspects of residence.

Disabled Students

While commending the University for its special efforts on behalf of disabled students, the Committee believes that not all the special needs of these students are being met. The Library in particular has to try and carry a heavy burden of helping students with special needs. It comments that more money is needed for support of these students and that any growth in this area will require careful management. The University must avoid any chance that they may be ghettoized within the Atlantic Centre. The Committee recommends the formation of an advisory

that all space is fully utilised is recommended. Upgrading of space for both teaching and administrative needs is recommended and also better information for campus people about plans. It is recommended the University seek specialised advice on timetabling, scheduling and classroom utilisation. Space considerations should include continuing attention to needs of conference centre, which is a useful source of revenue for needed repairs. It also is recommended that the need for research space, quiet study and amenities should be borne in mind.

The influence of the Community on the future of the University

The Committee believes the University can only continue to flourish in its current form in a climate where public funding has become increasingly important, if it is publicly seen to perform services which are useful to the community. In addition to striving for a reputation for excellence in undergraduate teaching and research, the University must try to gain public recognition of its distinct institutional character and approach.

The Committee sees the University as being at a crossroads, on the one hand tight finances and changing trends in funding mean the continuance of the institution in its current form cannot be assumed, while at the same time Saint Mary's has never been better positioned to argue for its unique and growing role in Nova Scotia's post-secondary education system.

The Committee recommends that a communications strategy be created to articulate to the community what the University is and does in ways that will enhance broad public support.

Further considerations

- The Committee did not consider the implementation of a trimester system would bring advantages to Saint Mary's.
- The Committee recommends that the University alter its administrative and organizational methods to provide better conditions for part-time faculty. They should receive more encouragement and support than present practices and attitudes ensure.
- The University should create new staffing strategies, especially work to provide more effective staffing policies for honours teaching, graduate teaching and some interdisciplinary programs, and continuing education.
- A Senate committee on the status of women at Saint Mary's is recommended to review the present situation and report on issues and concerns as they develop.
- The problem of providing academic information and advice for students should be solved by the appointment of an Academic Advisory Officer.
- The Committee recommends that consideration be given to the development of special courses in science for non-science students, reflecting the underlying importance of scientific knowledge to our society.
- The provision of literacy courses should be shared by all departments of the University, not rest entirely on the shoulders of the English Department.
- Recommendation that a Quality of Work Life program be initiated.



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Wendy Katz (English), Dr. Stephen Davis (Anthropology), and Mrs. Margaret Anne Bennett (Graduate student and staff member).

Missing: Dr. James Ahiakpor, (Department of Economics) Dr. Clive Elson (Department of Chemistry) and Ms. Karen Larsen, student.

enhance the quality of teaching and learning at Saint Mary's. It believes that teaching and learning should be a collaborative venture, and one that is accountable to others besides the professor and the students themselves.

Research

The Committee made a number of recommendations based on its belief that continued excellence in research and the University's recognition of its importance as a valued intellectual pursuit of its faculty are critical to the future of Saint Mary's. Planning for additional research space is seen as important, as is the necessity to project a stronger image of Saint Mary's as a research institution to the outside world. Funds should be sought for donations and matching grants for the purchase of scientific equipment. The University must create a climate which fosters faculty-student collaboration in research.

Student Services

The Committee believes that services for students outside the classroom have not kept pace with increasing enrolment and that the personal touch which the University used to pride itself on has been lost. The Committee suggests a psychologist should be hired to provide additional counselling services. It also recommends the continued growth of peer counselling as a way of retaining the personal touch.

Residences

The Committee feels that some enhancement of residence life should be a goal of the University and suggests a better understanding of the

committee on the disabled, and a task force to review current concerns within this sector of the University's responsibility.

Support staff and services

The Committee acknowledges the way in which support staff have been expected to bear the burdens associated with the doubling of student enrolment and the subsequent shortage of space. It recommends that efforts be made to keep support staff informed and express appreciation for their essential role in contributing to the learning experience of students. The University should take a proactive role in occupational health and safety, career development and fitness and recreation for its staff.

International activities

While applauding Saint Mary's acquisition of an international dimension unusual in a university of its size, the Committee warns that the principle of consolidation should apply in this area. Any growth must be selective and accompanied by the necessary administrative structure. It recommends the development of clear policies for future undertakings and co-ordination of those already underway. The appointment of an International Liaison Officer is also recommended.

Facilities

The Committee believes that it is unlikely the University will ever have funds readily available to create the space it so badly needs. It recommends that overcrowding first be satisfied by making optimum use of space already available. In order to do this a new approach to timetabling to ensure

The USSR Connection

Offers management training

Commerce Dean visits Moscow

Saint Mary's could soon be providing management education to help the Russians move towards a free market economy.

Dr. Colin Dodds, Dean of Commerce, was part of a delegation which recently accompanied Prime Minister Brian Mulroney to Moscow. Only two other universities, the University of Toronto and York University, were on the trip. Explaining his reason for going, Dodds says, "I am concerned with the issue of management education, which is an infrastructure that is missing in Russia. They have institutes of management, which tend to be very technical. Finance is not of much importance, as long as you get a budget and work within it."

Saint Mary's may get involved in the process of "perestroika" as a result of the talks Dodds had with the heads of the institutes of management. He says, "I think what we will do is to create an intensive executive development program. The question is how much is done here and how much by us going there." As early as this spring, Saint Mary's will host a visit of officials from a Russian institute of fisheries to discuss setting up such a program. Above all else, Dodds says, "We are signalling that we can play a leadership role in the area."

With 200 people travelling, Dodds says, "This was the biggest trade delegation Canada has ever sent anywhere and the biggest single delegation that has ever visited the Soviet Union."

Does the emergence of nationalism within the Russian empire surprise Dr. Haigh? "No," she says, "but what has caught everyone by surprise is the speed with which the thing has manifested itself." She adds, "After the Revolution there were over 100 different languages in the Russian empire. There must still be pretty nearly that many, so nationalism is, I think, the great problem of the future."

The trip to Russia

The central focus of the visit was the inaugural meeting of the Canada/USSR Business Council, of which the Canadian chairperson is Albert Reichmann of Olympia York. The Reichmanns are known to be retiring by nature, and Dodds comments that when he stood up to speak in Moscow, Reichmann confessed it was the first public speech he had ever made!



Dr. Colin Dodds

What did Dodds think of Russia, its people and its economy? "The problems are horrendous," he says. "The economy is absolutely and utterly in a mess. They have got a tremendous budget deficit through financing activity for which they do not have the revenue base. The Russians themselves have a tremendous hoard of roubles, with nothing to buy."

Commenting on Canada's trade with Russia, Dodds says, "There are a lot of opportunities, and there are people who have been there for quite some time. IMP is an example (it is building a hotel in Moscow for Aeroflot), but there are opportunities in the fishing industry and in the construction industry." He adds, "We already do very well exporting to the Soviet Union. We export far more than we import."

Setting up trade ventures with the USSR is difficult because much of the necessary infrastructure is lacking. Dodds says, "Transportation systems are in desperate need of investment. They need investment in things like transportation, storage, warehousing, the fundamental things that we take for granted." He cited McDonalds as an example. "If you establish a McDonalds (in the West) you build it to a certain specification, and off you go. But in Russia, where do you get the beef from? Where do you get the buns, the ketchup, the pickles, the fries? You have to set up the whole structure; they are not geared to that. As examples of these problems, he also mentioned that the skilled labour with which IMP is building its hotel comes from Poland and is paid in US dollars. "Things are so desperate the Russians will permit that," says Dodds. He adds, "I stayed in a beautiful hotel built by Arnold Hammer of the United States. I walked into the bathroom and found American Standard fittings."

The delegation looked at the whole range of problems of doing business in a country that to a large extent has previously been closed to foreign investment. One of the major problems is the fact that the rouble cannot be converted into other currencies. Dodds says, "The Russians put some of their top economists into this round table session."

Everything is in short supply in Moscow, says Dodds, including such basics as toothpaste, soap and toilet paper. "I had heard that when it rains in Moscow, everyone stops to put their wiper blades on," says Dodds. "I started to do a check on this and it is true. Some of the less popular cars had blades on them, but the standard Ladas did not. Blades are so precious that they are an easy target for thieves."

What was Dodds' overall impression of the USSR? "I came away with an awareness that they were incredibly open in recognising the problems that they have. I think that is a healthy sign."

Russian history course throws light on current events

AS THE CHANGING shape of the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe unfolds each night on our TV screens, students in Dr. Elizabeth Haigh's courses on Russian History are getting an informed background to the drama.

Haigh, whose parents emigrated from Galicia or Western Ukraine in 1930, teaches two courses on Russian History, one which takes students up to the Revolution and a second which covers the Revolution and post-revolutionary USSR.

Haigh says, "In all my courses I bring in references to things that I presume the students are listening to and observing. I try to relate them to historic experience."

Describing the background to events Haigh says, "Many people don't seem to understand the important fact that the Soviet Union is in fact a Russian empire. People use the word Russian, which is wrong. Lithuania, Ukraine, and Azerbaijan; these are all part of an empire composed of 15 theoretically equal republics. All other European countries lost their empires, but... Moscow has maintained its empire through terror and repression."

Why has nationalism survived so strongly when both the Tzars and the Soviets tried so long to achieve the 'Russification' of this vast region? Haigh says, "The Tzars...supressed regional languages and literature and since the Soviet Union has been in existence, the whole empire has been maintained through sheer terror. Everybody in the Soviet Union learns Russian in school, but the decades of terror and supression

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HAIGH believes, "The greatest problem is that the whole thing is going to dissolve because it is not being maintained on any notion of mutual trust or agreement. It begins to look as if it will crumble quickly when the terror is lifted even a little bit."

Asked why the Azerbaijanis and the Armenians are feuding in such deadly fashion, Haigh says, "Religion is the reason. The Azerbaijanis are Muslims whose links are with Iranian Azerbaijan, while the Armenians are Eastern Orthodox Christians..." She adds, "Marxism and Leninism discounted and dismissed religion as 'the opiate of the people,' and thought its influence would fade away. In fact, the nationalism in

Economy the main Soviet problem

"The Soviets are less able to feed themselves than they were in 1917" says Dr. Elizabeth Haigh, explaining that the state of its economy is one of the major problems facing the USSR.

Describing Soviet socialism, she says, "It is the most dismally failed experiment in history. The theory is great; it just doesn't work."

"The Soviets can put rockets in space," says Haigh, "and build atomic weapons. In terms of high technology they are capable of doing stupendous things, but at the level of most people, they are a Third World economy; there is nothing to buy."

She believes it is essential for the Soviets to get back to some form of modified market force, and says people like Gorbachev, who do not want to give up the Soviet system, believe they should,

"Go back to something called the New Economic Policy which was the official policy between 1921 and the start of the first Five Year Plan in 1928." She says, "It is a modified socialism or capitalism which seemed to work reasonably well, at least in those years. The idea is that the commanding heights of the economy, such as the banks and steel mills, should be owned by the state, but people should be encouraged to have farms and small businesses."

This plan was designed to help the Russian empire recover after the destruction of World War I and the Civil War and Haigh says, "It seemed to work well until the first Five Year Plan was imposed by Stalin." Describing the system, she says, "Everything was



Dr. Elizabeth Haigh

Central Asia is strongly rooted in religion."

Revolution of course is spreading throughout Eastern Europe, not just the USSR itself. Dr. Haigh is also watching events in Soviet satellite countries; East Germany, Romania and others. She has been surprised by the speed and ease with which they have thrown off what she describes as, "The heavy bondage of their satellite status."

She describes how these states were positioned as buffers between East and West after the Second World War. They became mirrors of the Soviet administration and the communist party became the only political party allowed. She adds, "Obviously events in the last few months have shown us that this was not a situation in which these people were happy to live. They were not willing partners with the USSR. What we have now are provisional governments, all waiting to establish something permanent and, one hopes, democratic and constitutional."

Speaking of the present, Dr. Haigh says, "I admire Gorbachev. I am inclined to think that he is a 'good Tzar'. He is a very good politician and a very brave man and a very ambitious one and one must, I suppose, finally root for him. What he is facing are not problems of his own creation. This small show of liberalisation...has lifted the lid off something that has been seething for decades."

Looking forward Dr. Haigh says, "This is one of the most interesting areas in the world now to study and to become aware of. The next 20 years are going to be frightfully interesting in Europe because although the map is not going to be redrawn, relationships that have come to be normal since the Second World War are going to alter. We have no idea what is going to come out of these provisional governments. We do not know if the Soviet Union is going to hold together. It may have to come up with sovereignty association. The old relationship of Russians being supreme throughout the Russian empire is going to have to change, unless they want to suppress people's aspirations."

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Kold Kiddies



Children from Saint Mary's Child Care Centre are bundled up against the cold as they take some exercise along Gorsebrook Avenue.

Fall Convocation to be held in 1990

This year Saint Mary's will revive an old tradition and award degrees to its fall graduates at a special ceremony on campus.

Chemistry professor and student apply for patent

Dr. John O'Carroll Young of the Chemistry Department, and student Chris Murray have applied for patents to cover their invention of hydraulic drag reducing agents for use in hydronic space cooling systems. These compounds were developed by Young and his student group under a recently completed research contract with the International Energy Agency.

Registrar Elizabeth Chard sees the idea as relieving some of the pressure that growing numbers put on Spring Convocation each year. "We have a huge increase in the number of potential graduates this spring," she says, "and we have always given students who graduate in the fall the option of coming to next spring's Convocation."

She also believes such an event would be, "Very much within the Canadian university tradition."

In the past, convocations on campus were held in the rink or the theatre auditorium and prior to that they were held at hotels in the city. The Convocation Committee is discussing where this fall's event should be held and, says Ms. Chard, "how to make it as significant a ceremony for the students as possible."

Other universities in the area hold fall convocations and most of them report that between 45 and 50 per cent of the eligible graduates attend.

Soviet economy

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nationalised and the peasants were collectivized in a very brutal fashion. It led to a famine in which 11 million people died. The system simply has not worked. Collective farms do not produce as well as private farmers or free peasants and the nationalized economy does not produce either. Perestroika is attempting to tackle this terrible stagnation."

Another devastating effect of Stalinism was to remove the initiative of Soviet people. Haigh says, "since the Five Year Plans of the 1930s, people have learned not to take initiatives because it gets them into trouble and is resented. While Stalin was alive, to take initiative was downright dangerous, taking your life in your hands. There are no incentives to work in a society where the state owns everything. There is no need or obligation to excel." She adds, "One of the standard jokes in the USSR is 'We pretend to work and they pretend to pay us.' Perestroika is intended to try and change workers attitudes and make them interested in productivity.

The great space dilemma

Everyone knows that the University is over-crowded, but for Administrative Vice-President Guy Noël this is more than just a nuisance. One of his responsibilities is to create more space to relieve the pressure on people and buildings at Saint Mary's.

"The squeeze is everywhere," he says. "There are very few departments of the University, particularly academic ones, which are not into some problems because of inadequate space to carry out their functions."

The University has an insatiable appetite for space. The opening of McNally East in September brought 12 new classrooms and labs into being. It is already used to capacity and Noël says, "I don't know how we ever did without it."

Rapid growth in enrolment has led to a situation where it will take a major building program to provide enough space for current needs, let alone further growth. Future plans include the extension of the Burke Education Centre, the addition of two new floors to the Patrick Power Library and the construction of a new building for the Commerce Faculty.

The completion of these projects, says, Guy Noël, "would bring us up to the space levels we need to cope with our current programs and activities."

Noël is faced with a dilemma. Should the

University try and move departments into spaces that will meet not only current needs, but allow room for some future expansion? "Or," says Noël, "do we conclude that the problems are so severe in so many areas that we have to compromise what we would like to be able to do in order to provide as much relief for as many departments as we can?"

The library is a major problem. Not only is the building running out of room to house its collection of books and other reference material, but study space is also short. The standard for university libraries is that they should provide study space for one quarter of their student population at any time. Saint Mary's is only providing ten per cent!

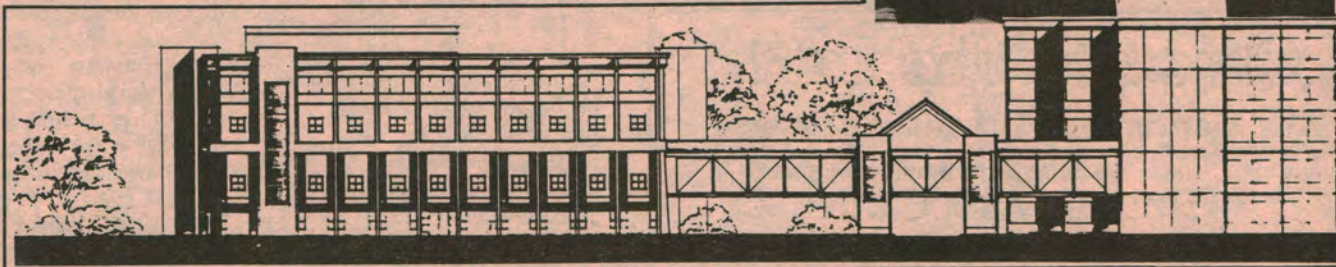
Unlimited supplies of money would solve

all these problems in the twinkling of an eye, but unfortunately the problem coincides with a time of fiscal restraint. Guy Noël and his staff have to perform an eternal juggling act to get the most out of every dollar that becomes available. They are about to undertake a major assessment of the space needs of every department in the University.

In addition, the University plans to set up a separate capital fund, not only for new buildings and equipment, but to maintain existing facilities, many of which will need heavy expenditure before long.

"A more planned approach" is Guy Noël's dream, but it seems unlikely

that the money to put such plans into action, no matter how good they are, will ever flow freely.



Architect's drawing of expansion to Burke Education Centre. Above, Administrative VP, Guy Noël.

\$6.6 million expansion for Burke Education Centre

Plans are ready for the construction of an additional two floors on top of the Burke Education Centre and an elevated pedway to connect it to the Science Building. When this plan becomes a reality depends on the University obtaining the \$6.6 million it will cost to construct.

The Centre was constructed as a library in 1964, but its use as a library was brief and by the early 1970s it had undergone minimum renovation for use as classrooms and offices. The original window-free library design made lack of light a problem in many areas.

Guy Noël, Vice-President Administration, explains the University's latest plan to relieve the pressure on space created by burgeoning enrolment at Saint Mary's. The design is by Halifax architect David Rickard, who also

planned The Tower. It includes an imaginative renovation of the two existing floors of the building which would bring in more light and do away with the tiny mezzanine rooms on the second floor.

The drawings include the addition of three outside stairwells, new elevators, and the provision of offices, computer labs and teaching spaces on each floor. Noël says, "We would fill the building with departments currently there, the International Education Centre, Education Faculty and Geography Department. The remaining space would probably be occupied by two academic departments, although it is not yet definitely decided which these will be."

Even the walkway to the Science Building would be used to create working space. It

would contain eight or nine offices and Noël says, "Normally pedways do not include offices, but we felt that our need for space was so bad, why not!"

The plan is wonderful, but when will it become reality? Noël says, "When we start depends on what the government agrees to give. The University has made a firm representation to the provincial government for funding for the whole project and is optimistic it will receive support." He adds, "However, we cannot determine the level of funding or the time when it will be available."

Asked when he would like to see work begin, Noël says, "My dream is that government would approve funding, with some provision for capital funds for 1990/91,

so that we can start dealing with the design details in the early spring and start construction in the fall, and try to get it ready within 12 to 18 months."

Asked whether the building could be shut down while the project is carried out, Noël explains, "Because of the lack of space we are going to have to carry out the project around the people now using the building. I see constructing the two top floors first, while minimizing the effects of construction on existing operations. We would then move people into the new area and renovate the existing floors." He adds, "There could be inconvenience to the existing people, but the University will do everything possible to minimize this."

Saint Mary's community art show

These photographs were taken at the opening of the 10th Annual Faculty, Alumni, Student and Staff Art Exhibition 10 January. The exhibition contained many interesting works by members of the University community and their families.



ABOVE: Former Art Gallery curator Anthony Law and Walter Alward admire "Gilgamesh dives deep beneath Euphrates," a painting by David Haigh.
BELOW: Diane Switzer and Tom Tasse inspect "Enchanted Bird," a wood carving by Benoit Oullette.



The Chair of Irish Studies
Poetry Reading in
Irish and English
by
Nuala Ni Dhomhnaill
Alumni Lounge
O'Donnell-Hennessey Student
Centre
Saint Mary's University
Monday, 12 March, 7:30 p.m.

Marketing students aid Food Bank, Veith House, with campaigns

Students in Professor Julia Sagebien's Marketing Communications and Promotions course recently prepared

promotional campaigns for two non-profit organizations. Both campaigns are destined to become reality in the near future.

One group of students prepared a plan by which the Metro Food Bank will appeal to the 10,000 people who work in the Burnside Industrial Park for help. The campaign involves letter-writing, distributing boxes, obtaining radio and newspaper publicity and awarding certificates to generous companies. It is designed not only to ask for food, but also to make the people who work in Burnside more aware of the plight of those who work nowhere. In June the Food Bank will hire someone to put into effect the plan which the students are just now completing.

Another group in the class included student Inez Caldwell, who is also administrative assistant at Veith House, a non-profit social agency in the North End of Halifax. Inez enrolled in the class specifically to learn the best method of mounting a membership campaign for Veith House and she got some help with her project from other students in her group. She says, "I found the course immensely helpful. It really helped me develop a good campaign, and I am going to implement it next week."

Coach does double duty

by Libby Brown

Joan Matheson is not new to Saint Mary's - she has been coaching the women's volleyball team since last fall. But in her new position as Co-ordinator of Marketing and Promotions for Athletics and Recreation, she is here much more than she used to be. "I am thrilled to be here," she says. "It certainly goes well with the coaching!"

As an account executive with the public relations firm of McArthur Thompson and Law she found life was hectic and it was difficult to give the team the hours it needed. "It is great to work in a job that is more flexible," she says.

Joan is a native Nova Scotian who attended Acadia University before spending ten years in Western Canada. After working in the oil business in Calgary, she moved to Vancouver to work with the Expo '86 marketing group. That was followed by working in marketing with Sport BC. "That is when I knew I wanted to focus my career on marketing and public relations," she says.

It eventually came time for Joan to come home again. "You can have the West," she says. "The



Joan Matheson

Maritimes is ten times better; the lifestyle and reality are better." She joined McArthur Thompson and Law in May, 1989 and became Saint Mary's volleyball coach in September.

Joan has always been involved with volleyball, playing for Acadia and senior teams here and out west. She also enjoys skiing and sailing and her own fitness program which involves running and weights. She says this job will combine her love of sports and her interest in marketing. "I'm sure this position will evolve but for now I can take a bit of everything I enjoy and throw it all into one job."

As Co-ordinator of Marketing and Promotions, she looks after The Tower and Varsity Athletics. She says The Tower is close to full capacity membership and she would like to see it concentrate on providing more services and maintaining the superiority of the services and the facility. "People come here because the equipment is good and the place is clean and well-maintained," she says. "We have to continue that."

She also sees ways to raise the profile of all the varsity teams and encourage more support for them. "Athletics are very important to university morale," she says. "Saint Mary's is fortunate to have a stable athletic program where academics are emphasized as well."

Although she has been here for less than a month, she says "the university environment was made for me."

Huskies fight on

Volleyball

In its second year, the Women's Volleyball team is maintaining a solid sixth position in the league. It's a young team this year, made up of mostly first and second-year students. Coach Joan Matheson says they have shown tremendous growth this season, with many of them performing better than they expected.

Women's basketball

The Women's Basketball team is in sixth place halfway through the season. Team highlights include Alison Cushing leading the league in rebounding and Christina Chadwick and Kim McLeod are second and third in free throws. Cindy Flynn has the leading game high of 35 points.

Men's basketball

The Men's Basketball team, under first year coach Ross Quackenbush, has had a strong start, sitting in third place. This is another young team, with most players in their first or second year. Brian Thompson is leading the league in scoring, with 188 points or 26.9 per game and Chris Rowarth is third.

Hockey

The Hockey team is also under new direction with Norm McCauley. Last year's all star player, Wayne Morrow is continuing to show his scoring strength with 11 goals in 11 games. The team is in fifth place in its division.

Indoor soccer tournament coming

March 23-25 Saint Mary's will host the Eighth Annual International Indoor Soccer Tournament. Soccer Coach Peter Wicha says there will be 20 men's and women's teams representing the Atlantic Provinces, the Eastern United States, and perhaps Ontario and Quebec.

The first place men's team will take home a prize of \$1,000, while the first place women's team will pocket \$300. A pass for the entire tournament is \$4.

Cities to the Left: The Maritimes in Urbanizing Canada

a public lecture by
Dr. Larry McCann

Director of the Centre for Canadian Studies
Mount Allison University

8 p.m., Wednesday, 7 March 1990 Theatre B, Burke Education Centre Saint Mary's University



Cowboy-Caruso

Works by Moncton artist Daniel Dugas

Saint Mary's Art Gallery

8 February to 11 March 1990

An exhibition of four large, interactive electronic sculptures. These works seem ordered and still until activated by the viewer, when they come alive with sound, lights and motion.

University reacts to Montreal killings

by Libby Brown

On Wednesday, December 6, 1989 a man walked into a classroom at l'École Polytechnique in Montreal, murdered 14 women, injured several others, then shot himself. The country's response to that event ranged from standard condolences to outrage that violence against women pervades our society.

The immediate response at Saint Mary's was to lower the flags to half mast, send a letter of condolence to the President of l'École Polytechnique and dedicate the following Sunday's evening mass to the victims. As the impact of what had happened was felt across the campus, the Women's Caucus at Saint Mary's was approached by President Dr. Kenneth Ozmon to do more than that. The Caucus planned a three-part approach. It organized a

‘If men don't speak out against violence, we are silently condoning what goes on’

public forum, a memorial service and a scholarship in memory of the 14 women.

Dr. Grace Pretty of the Psychology Department chaired the public forum on Tuesday, January 9, and addressed the issue of violence against women. Four guest panelists, Tom Regan, Sharon Fraser, Susan Shaw and Blye Frank spoke to a group of about 120 women and men, about the interactions between the sexes today and the violence that so many women face on a regular basis. Their presentations were followed by questions from the floor and discussion.

The forum was at times emotional, angry and confused. It was also positive in recognizing the role that both women and men must play to continue to work towards true equality. Tom Regan said that if men don't speak out against violence, "We are silently condoning what goes on". One young man stood with tears in his eyes to say "Not all men are like this, some of us do care."

On Wednesday, January 10, the University cancelled classes and closed offices for half an hour to allow people to attend a Memorial Service. The Theatre Auditorium was packed to pay tribute to the Montreal victims. Debi Forsyth-Smith,

President of the Nova Scotia Advisory Council on the Status of Women, addressed the gathering, calling the event "an isolated incident but not an isolated sentiment".

At this service the Montreal Women's Memorial Scholarship was established. It will be given to a top female engineering student each year. Donations can be sent to the Development Office.



Photos Dr. Grace Pretty, above left, speaks during memorial service before a packed crowd in the Theatre Auditorium. Panelists below are, left to right, Tom Regan, Sharon Fraser, Dr. Grace Pretty, Susan Shaw and Blye Frank.



No more 'Early Registration'

Early Registration is a thing of the past at Saint Mary's. Although the August and September registration periods will remain the same, the title "Early Registration" will be replaced by "August Registration," to differentiate it from "September Registration."

Registrar Elizabeth Chard explains, "early Registration as a label was misunderstood as some sort of pre-registration or preliminary one." She believes the title led to students having trouble getting loans negotiated before what was considered to be official registration in September. With 70 per cent of students registering in August or by mail, the title was also felt to be misleading for students who wait until September and are disappointed to find many courses already closed.

There will still be a small late registration period to help students who were unable to attend either of the regular registration sessions, such as international students who have problems with immigration.

Health minister visits

Provincial Health Minister David Nantes recently visited the Atlantic Centre of Support for Disabled Students. Here he watches student Brian Levangie work with a large print reading device.



Awareness Day protest

Student Tracey Stone eats a serving of the symbolic macaroni and cheese served by SMUSA executive members Sanjeev Chowdhury and Christian Flynn on National Awareness Day. This event was aimed to raise awareness of the difficulties students have in managing on existing grants.



APBR fights tax on books

The December issue of the Atlantic Provinces Book Review devoted its front page to an article by Elizabeth Eve in support of the "Don't Tax Reading Coalition." The Coalition is dedicated to preventing the imposition of the 7 per cent Goods and Services Tax on published material.

The main thrust of the

Coalition's campaign is to state that "The GST would raise the cost of reading and writing." It has presented a brief to government expressing the many reasons why it considers taxing books, newspapers and periodicals would be unwise and unjust.

Among many other negative results, the Coalition points out

that the imposition of the GST contradicts the government's literacy campaign and its recent emphasis on education. In addition, the taxation of newspapers would give other media an unfair advantage.

Many enterprising techniques are being used by Coalition members to draw attention to the tax on reading.

Firefly Books have printed "stamps" with pictures of Brian Mulroney and Michael Wilson on them. Users are encouraged to "Lick it," "Stick it." (to them) and thereby "Stamp out GST."

The Coalition has nine member organisations, including the Association of Canadian Publishers, the Canadian Daily Newspaper Publishers Association, and the Canadian Magazine Publishers Association.

Freshman Conference at Saint Mary's

Saint Mary's University is co-hosting the Freshman Year Experience Conference from July 22-25, 1990, in association with the University of South Carolina, the University of Prince Edward Island, and the University of Victoria.

Approximately 400 academic and student services professionals are expected to attend this international conference. Keith Hotchkiss, Director of Student Services, is serving as Saint Mary's representative on the organizing committee.

Obituaries

Ryan

Dr. James Lambkin Ryan died on 23 January. He is survived by his wife, the former Margaret Dockrill of Halifax, and a sister, Sister Eileen, Mount Saint Vincent Mother House. He received a B. Eng from the Nova Scotia Technical College in 1935 and a BSc from Saint Mary's in 1943. He taught engineering at Saint Mary's from 1942 to 1973 and served as Dean of Engineering for many years. He was appointed Dean Emeritus after his retirement and received an honorary Doctor of Letters degree at Convocation in 1972. Dr. Ryan was a mechanical engineer who devoted his life to teaching. He fostered closer co-operation between the Technical College (now TUNS), Saint Mary's and the other institutions which sent diploma students to the College. He was known affectionately to his students as "Pinky" and is remembered with gratitude by those students, many of whom are now working as professional engineers in Nova Scotia.

Dr. Ryan is also remembered as a true Christian gentleman, whose values permeated his teaching and administration at Saint Mary's. During his long service to the University he served on all the major administrative committees and on the Board of Governors and Senate. He was also commanding officer of the Canadian Officer Training Corps (COTC) for many years, retiring in 1965.

Dr. Ryan was involved with the Engineering Institute of Canada and the Association of Professional Engineers of Nova Scotia. Throughout his retirement he remained a loyal and generous supporter of the University.

Mahen

Lori Jean Mahen died recently. She graduated summa cum laude in 1984 with a major in English. She had suffered from muscular dystrophy for many years, but despite this she brought to life a vitality and energy which will be long remembered by her teachers and fellow students.

Lori is referred to by Dr. Janet Baker, who taught her, as "One bright, intelligent and creative student, certainly a model for us all." Lori was a creative writer as well as a scholar and wrote many poems.

The English Department is setting up a scholarship in memory of Lori Mahen. Contributions may be sent to the Development Department, Saint Mary's University.



Tom Reeves of T & D Nurseries was one of the speakers at a seminar on entrepreneurship for the disabled sponsored by the Innovations Project in December. He is seen here with (L to R) interpreter Lynne

Turcotte and partner Debbie Oickle. The well-attended seminar aimed to make the point that creating your own employment is an option that has been successfully adopted by a number of disabled people.

V-P appointed to drug task force

Dr. Joseph Jabbar, Vice-President (Academic and Research) of Saint Mary's, has been appointed a member of the Mayor of Halifax's Task Force on Drug Awareness.

The mandate of the committee is to mobilise the Halifax Community against drug abuse. It will review government and non-government programs related to the prevention and treatment of drug abuse; estimate the human and economic costs of drug abuse in the City of Halifax, and identify the needs and concerns of the community as they relate to drug abuse. The Task force will also prepare recommendations for further action for the Mayor.

Fisheries Seminar gains sponsors

The 1989-90 Fisheries Seminar series is sponsored not only by the Gorsebrook Institute, but also by the Centre for Resource Systems Analysis, a new Halifax-based organization which is dedicated to the use of modelling and quantitative methods in analysing resource industry problems. The series also receives financial support from National Sea Products and the Maritime Fishermen's Union.

There will be 16 seminars in this academic year, ten of them in the Winter 1990 series. This series deals with methodologies for analysing and understanding fish stocks and fishing industries, including such subjects as the groundfish trade, fishing capacity, and fish stock assessment.

The seminars take place weekly, on Tuesdays at 4 pm and run until the end of March.

New building for Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute

In August 1989 former Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi laid the foundation stone for new headquarters in New Delhi for the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute. On the same day, a new agreement was signed by the Secretary of the Indian Department of Education and Professor Ratna Ghosh, President of the Board of Directors of the Institute.

The Institute, which was founded 21 years ago, promotes international co-operation by funding research, procuring books for Canadian and Indian university libraries, and sponsoring lectures, conferences, educational tours and special publications. The Institute has 22 member institutions in India and Canada, and Saint Mary's has been a member for the past several years.



November 29 saw the signing of a contract between the University and Local 966 B of the International Union of Operating Engineers. Seen here from L to R are: Dan Stone,

Stewart Auld, Charlie Weir (Business Agent for the union), Victor Hubley Jr., Louis Dursi and Ken Anderson. Signing are (L) Sheldon Glick and Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon.