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Here ya go! Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon (left), President, presents Walter Fitzgerald, Mayor of Halifax, with his personal hard-hat for when he visits the new Sobey Building. Dr. Ozmon made the presentation at the Irish Studies Fundraising Dinner at Saint Mary's on February 21. The annual dinner is expected to net nearly \$18,000. See the highlights on page 7.

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Two Deals Struck for Faculty

by Paul Fitzgerald

Following months of negotiations, collective agreements have been reached for full and part-time faculty at Saint Mary's University.

"We've come through a very trying time when our faculty, librarian, staff and administrative salaries have taken a real beating with the clawback and the wage freeze that has just ended," says Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, President. "We appreciate the fact that the Saint Mary's community has pulled together to maintain the quality of our programs in spite of the burdens that government cutbacks have imposed. It is a tribute to the indomitable spirit of our University that we have worked through these problems, and we look forward to meeting together the challenges ahead."

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The full-time faculty at the University will see a 10% increase in their contract, which means that they will receive an average salary amount of \$70,000 per year by the year 2000. Other highlights of the full-time contract include improvements in promotions and tenure.

"We covered many important issues," says Dr. Ozmon. "There were constructive talks throughout, and cordiality existed between the faculty and the University administration."

The University and the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) 3912 representing part-time faculty have also reached an agreement which provides salary increases as well as recognizing

seniority among part-time faculty.

Barbara Moore, President, CUPE, who is also a part-time professor in the Sociology Department, says that the University is the first in the province to reach an agreement on such a matter, and it simply demonstrates the professionalism of the University and its commitment in providing students with a quality education.

"The agreement shows a respect for the collective bargaining process that we have appreciated from Saint Mary's," says Moore.

Dr. Ozmon stresses that the University must be fair to its part-time faculty as they are a pool of talented professors who serve as an important asset to the thousands of students who attend Saint Mary's each year.

Since the government imposed wage freeze and roll-back, which expired on November 1, 1997, the University has been working to settle five collective agreements in addition to salary and benefits for non unionized employees. Dr. Ozmon says its important that those involved recognize their important contributions to the University, and the goal is achieve a agreements which are fair to both sides and within the financial limits of the University.

The University has also made a commitment to review salary structure and management systems that will address the anomalies and recognize the contributions on those in the administration. ▼



Check out our new school! Russell MacLellan, Premier of Nova Scotia (far right), tours the new building. He had a chance to see all the developments of the new facility with Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, President, and a number of students from the faculties of Arts, Commerce and Science. Dr. Ozmon informed Premier MacLellan that the new building will provide a top notch learning environment for all students at Saint Mary's. There will be state-of-the-art equipment in every classroom and every office. Professors will not only have the latest technology to assist their presentations in the classroom for students, but they will be able to access the internet, and have two-way communication from the classroom to anywhere in the world. Joining the Premier is John Francis, President, Saint Mary's University Students' Association (SMUSA), and Alyson Bailey, Astronomy and Physics student and a National Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) award winner. See our new school on page 4.



"Our Father Bill" Father William Stewart S.J. (sitting) has made lots of friends since arriving at Saint Mary's University in 1950. He's been an integral player in the University's growth, and people from the community deeply admire him for his genuine personality. Just a couple of close friends at his farewell party are Dr. Michael J. Larsen, Dean of Arts, and wife, Joan. See the story about Father Stewart's 47 year career at Saint Mary's on Page 2.

"Our Father Bill" Stewart

by Paul Fitzgerald

It was a typical day at the University in the early 1960s. A room full of students waited for Father Stewart to arrive and begin teaching philosophy class. He arrived, but started out the lecture on somewhat of a different note. He went over to his desk, picked up a book he was supposed to discuss that day, looked sourly at it, and then pitched it out the window.

"I crossed it off my must read list right away," laughs Dr. Michael J. Larsen, Dean of Arts, who remembers the story as if it happened only yesterday. He was one of Father Stewart's students.

There are lots of people who can tell you stories about Father William A. Stewart S.J.. After all he's been at Saint Mary's since 1950. That was the year that the Upper Canada Province of the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits) came to run the academic and administrative duties at Saint Mary's.

On January 9, a large group of Father Stewart's University friends attended an "At Home" farewell party. Father Stewart has gone to spend some time in the Jesuit home in Toronto.

"I'm going to miss everyone," says a humble Father Stewart, who sat and smiled as each person came over to shake his hand or give him a hug. At times he even held back tears, but maintained his warm smile. "I had a wonderful time at this University."

"He's a great man," says Dr. Shelagh Crooks, Philosophy Department, who also had him as a professor. "Willie, as he is also called, was a demanding, if not to say formidable teacher, who was a philosophical model, and had a wonderful sense of humour."

Dr. Larsen says that his sincere generosi-



Father William Stewart S.J. (front left) taught philosophy for a number of years at Saint Mary's. Some former and present professors from the Philosophy Department join him at his going away party earlier this semester. They are, from the left (back): Dr. Arthur Monahan, Professor Sheila Kindred, Dr. Rowland Marshall, and Dr. Richard Beis. Seated next to Father Stewart is Dr. Shelagh Crooks.

ty was a quality that made him a successful teacher and administrator. He held the major administrative positions at the University, sometimes several at the same time. At one point, he was Acting President, Acting Vice-President, and Dean - all at one time.

"In order to keep the paper work flowing, and in the interests of procedural correctness, he would send various recommendations up the line, to himself of course wearing different hats, until he had to make a final decision as Acting President," recalls Dr. Larsen. "As Acting President in these situations, he generally tended to accept the recommendations of his Acting Vice-President and Dean. But he didn't want it to be seen as a foregone conclusion."

Many people remember him as playing many roles during his time at Saint Mary's. One was being the backbone of the drama

society. For years he was involved in all aspects of drama - even down to building the sets. "It was no surprise to find him dressed in work clothes and hammering away in the final days before a play opened," says Dr. Larsen.

One distinct memory Dr. Larsen and many others have of Father Stewart is from the annual Saint Mary's Christmas party for the children of the University community. For years, he was Santa Claus, and through his passion for acting and theatre work, he played the role children love so much. Many people, both young and old, were convinced that Father Stewart was really Santa - that's how well he played the role.

"The Santa suit, the hat and beard, rouged cheeks, hearty laugh, everything was done to make the children feel that Santa was there and wanted them to have a wonderful Christmas," says Dr. Larsen.

"One Christmas, not too long ago, he couldn't find his beard, looked all over for it, but had to come without it. Well, he carried it off so well that most of the children didn't notice it until some sharp eyed youngster pointed it out. He confided that Mrs. Claus had asked him to shave it off temporarily, but that it would soon grow back."

Dr. Larsen's wife, Jean has also known Father Stewart most of her life. Her mother, Christine Gorman, was a member of the Jesuit Auxiliary for many years and during that time a close family friendship developed with Father Stewart. "Father Stewart has always been a source of great encouragement and support for us," she says. "His advice has been very helpful and his friendship very special."

Kevin Cleary, Secretary to Senate, says that after having Father Stewart as a teacher, he ended up being hired by him as his assistant 37 years ago. "He is first and above all a superb teacher who was equally enlightening for students on the Metaphysics of Aristotle as he was in instructing them in the art of set design for the drama society," he says. "In the 46 years I have been fortunate enough to know him as a professor, boss, colleague and most of all a friend, I can best describe him by quoting the words spoken by Robert Whittinton: 'And as time requireth a man of marvelous mirth and pastimes; and sometimes of as sad gravity a man for all seasons.'"

Even though Father Stewart has left Saint Mary's, a big part of him will remain. In fact, his presence will, in a sense, remain a distinct memory, frozen in time. And for all those alumni around the world, his move to the Jesuit home in Toronto doesn't change a thing. He is, and always will be Father Stewart, the one who made Saint Mary's what it is today - a first class institution. ▼

S.A.T.U.R.N. - Over 100,000 Hits!

They like it. They like it a lot. They like it so much that the new S.A.T.U.R.N. site has received well over 100,000 hits in just three months.

The Registrar's Office has developed a new site just for students at Saint Mary's. It is known as the Secure Access to University Restricted Network or just S.A.T.U.R.N., and students are praising it. The popular system, advertised through a poster campaign and word of mouth in the first semester, is now allowing thousands of students to obtain grades, course schedules and exam schedules on-line.

"It sure is a real hit," says Dave Peters, Coordinator of Registrar Services, who worked with Computer Services in designing the system. They depended mainly on Colin MacMillan, Computer Services, for making their computer concept a working reality.

"Once students receive their pin number to access the site, then they can enter S.A.T.U.R.N. and find out pertinent information, making everything obviously much more convenient," says Peters.

Dr. Elizabeth Chard, Registrar, indicates that Saint Mary's is moving further and faster on the technology front than a number of other universities. She says that information, such as grades and exam schedules go up on SATURN 24-hours after being entered into the system, a feature highly uncommon at other post-secondary institutions across the country.

"The S.A.T.U.R.N. site is yet another example that the University attends to students' needs - a philosophy that dates back to when we were a small school," she says. "Our University is much more inclined to give our students what they need. A lot of universities simply do not have this philosophy."

But students obtaining information on-line is only the first phase of S.A.T.U.R.N., says Dr. Chard and Peters. In fact, S.A.T.U.R.N. will continually grow. According to Peters, more features will be added to the system, which will allow students to register for courses, obtain course information, and order transcripts on-line.

"The first phase of S.A.T.U.R.N. consisted of assigning pin numbers, and then making certain information available to

students. In this next stage we want to get information back from students, which will make it easier for them to communicate with us," he says. "This means that we will allow a student, anywhere in the world, at any time of the day or night, to change their address, order their grades, and find out information about courses we offer." An additional feature of the next phase will be Faculty and Staff buttons on S.A.T.U.R.N., which will allow them to access course information.

"This is all happening so fast, and many people seem extremely pleased with what we are offering," says Dr. Chard, holding a stack of glowing comments sent to the Registrar's Office via email. She adds that the Registrar's Office, in conjunction with Computer Services, is strategically planning each move with the developments of S.A.T.U.R.N. so that it runs smoothly. "Everything needs to be carefully planned in order to allow this service to grow."

Peters says that the Web is opening a window of opportunity for everyone. Nowhere is this more true than in the day to day activities of the Registrar's Office.

The long line-ups at the Registrars Office are starting to fade into the past.

"We were told that the future lies within the web. How true," he says. ▼

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AROUND Campus

G.F. Handel's "Julius Caesar"



All dressed up to play the part in G.F. Handel's opera production of "Julius Caesar" is, from the left: Peter Wilson as Giulio Cesare; Peter MacDougall, Cellist; Deborah Fraser as Cleopatra; Daniel LeBlanc as Tolomeo; Dr. Wally Mills, History Department, Narrator; and Dr. George Young, History Department, Director. It was a sold out show for the opera on January 24 at the

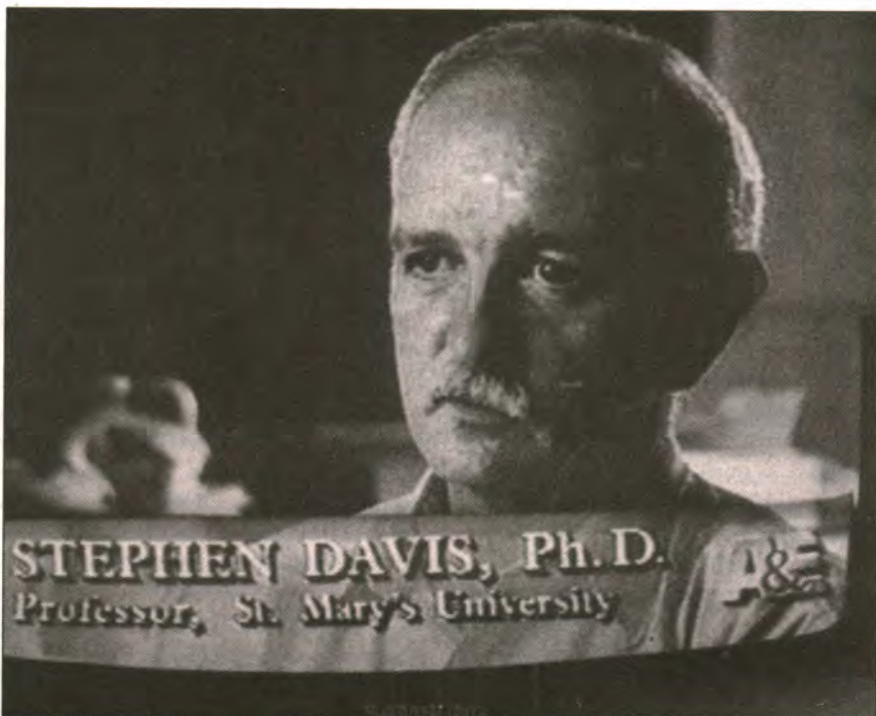
University's Art Gallery. According to Dr. Young the opera was first performed in London in 1724, and a number of times subsequently in both London and the continent, so that it could be said that it was a kind of a hit when he was alive. However, Julius Caesar was not performed again until the 1920's and most recently in 1997 by the Royal opera in London.

The Year of the Ocean

Elisabeth Mann Borgese, Honorary Chair, International Ocean Institute and Vice-Chair, World Commission on the Oceans, talks to a large crowd at Saint Mary's on January 27. There are a number of talks taking place this semester for the 1998 Fisheries and Coastal Seminar Series hosted by the University's Gorsebrook Research Institute.



Professor Appears on A&E



Goin' Hollywood!
Dr. Stephen Davis, Anthropology Department, was seen by millions of viewers across North America and the world as he appeared on the Arts & Entertainment (A&E) channel for the "Treasure: The Money Pit of Oak Island" documentary on Sunday night, January 18.



Japanese New Year

Yasayuki Nakagaha (left) and Makato Handa play the Taiko drums at the annual Japanese New Year celebration in the Student Union Building on January 18. A large number of

faculty, staff, students and members of the community attended the event which also included "kyudo," the Japanese form of archery, martial arts and the ritualized tea ceremony.

Using Insects to Solve Crimes

Gail Anderson, Canada's only forensic entomologist conducted a lecture at Saint Mary's on January 16. Anderson told the large audience that while insects may give some people the creeps, they play an important role in solving crimes. She told the audience at the University that insects colonize dead bodies at different rates which allows her to determine when the time of death occurred. She handles forensic cases across Canada and testifies as an expert witness in homicide and poaching cases.



Former Dean Passes Away

Earlier this semester the University community mourned the death of Dr. John Owen. He served as Dean of Arts at the University from 1974 to 1977 and Vice-President Academic from 1977 to 1980. Before coming to Canada he taught at Lincoln College, Oxford and returned there to finish his career after leaving Saint Mary's.

"He was a first class scholar, and an expert Historian," says Dr. Owen Carrigan, History Department. "He was a very efficient man, and was a first class administrator. He was also a real outgoing individual, who worked extremely well with others."

Dr. Stephen Davis, Chair, Anthropology Department, has not yet found a buried treasure. In fact, he is not sure if there even is one, at least on Oak Island anyway. But he was recently fortunate enough to appear on one of the American giant networks, Arts and Entertainment (A&E) for their new documentary, "Treasure: The Money Pit of Oak Island."

The documentary, which aired on Sunday night, January 18, investigated a number of theories that a treasure may be buried somewhere on Oak Island. The island, located just off the coast of Nova Scotia, has attracted a number of searchers over the past two-hundred years - all hopeful to cash in on the mysterious fortune. Some believe that Captain Kidd, a known pirate who roamed the waters back in the 1700s, buried the treasure. Others suggest that Prince Henry Sinclair, who traveled to Nova Scotia in 1398, left something on the island.

"As a documentary, I thought they did an excellent job in outlining all the efforts in explaining the projects on Oak Island over the past number of years," he says. The documentary was made through Greystone Communications, and produced by Joshua Alper. "They outlined various theories as to what's been buried on the island, something which I thought was interesting."

Dr. Davis admits however that his comments were fairly negative in the sequence he

appeared in. He commented on one story about a late 19th century excavation in the "money pit." It is said that as searchers dug every ten feet, they found an oak platform. After digging 90 feet down, they found a large rock with inscriptions. At the time a professor from a Halifax University, who remained anonymous, translated the symbols as reading: "Forty feet below two-million pounds are buried."

"I simply explained that there is no solid evidence that we can study," he says. "There is neither oak platforms nor a rock indicating a message. It's hard to support a theory when there is no solid evidence." He is also skeptical that a treasure is even buried on the island.

One of the observations he made from the program is the sequence of digging on the island over the years. "There has been so much digging on the island that the actual location of where the treasure is supposed to be buried is lost."

Now that the island has been honeycombed with digs, he also feels it would be interesting to look at all the treasure hunting that has occurred on Oak Island over the years. "To study all the different excavations on the island would certainly be another interesting angle on the topic," he says.

So, for now Dr. Davis' advice is to keep on digging. And, if you should be so lucky as to find a buried treasure, you too could be featured on A&E.

Sobey Building Takes Shape!

Believe it or not, the Sobey building is nearly half finished, and in a matter of months, thousands of students will pour through the doors and into the classrooms of this high technology facility.

There are a number of people from the public and private sectors who have been on campus to see the progress of the new building, including Russell MacLellan, Nova Scotia Premier, and Susan Clark, the newly appointed Chair of the Nova Scotia Council on Higher Education.

Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, President, highlights the fact that students will be

learning course material in a top notch academic environment. "When our new Sobey Building is complete we will have state-of-the-art equipment in every classroom and every office," he says. "Professors will not only have the latest technology to assist their presentations in the classroom for our students, but they will be able to access the internet, and have two-way communication from the classroom to anywhere in the world."

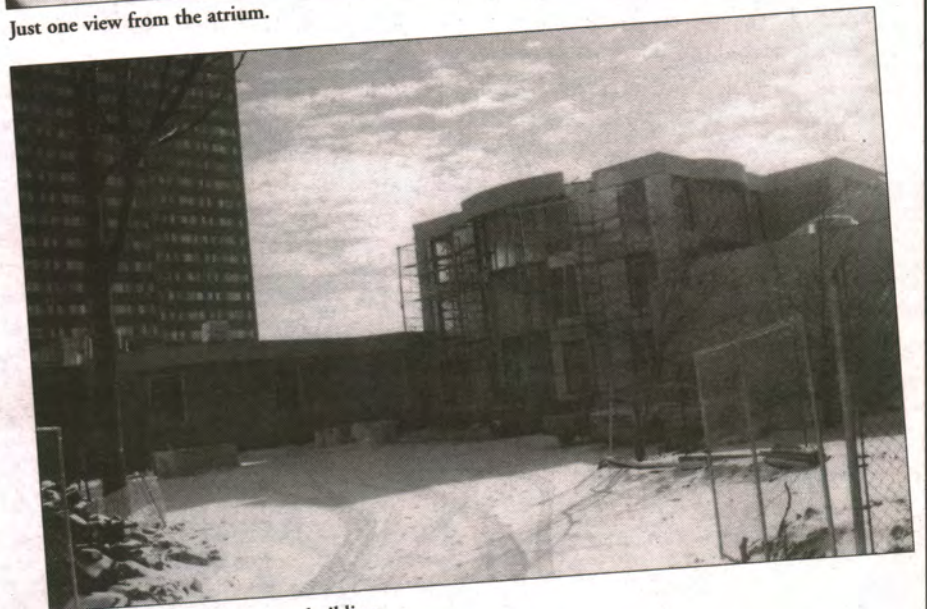
The building will mean 77,500 square feet of new space on campus. The University will also renovate 86,000 square feet of new space within the current Loyola Academic Complex. Upon completion, almost 75% of all academic classes will be held in the complex. ▼



Just one view from the atrium.



A view of the building from the back of Loyola.



The front entrance of the new building.

Saint Mary's Engineering Students Place First in Atlantic Region



A team of Engineering students take home the top award at the Atlantic Engineering Competition held at the University of New Brunswick (UNB) from February 6 to 8. The team won \$1,000, and each awarded certificates for their performance from Proctor and Gamble. From the front to back is: Steve Page, Warren Rodgers and Robert Ewing.

Engineering students at Saint Mary's University came in first place at the Atlantic Engineering Competition from February 6 to 8.

The mission impossible each team was asked to perform involved designing a unit that would carry an egg down a 30 foot ramp with a brick wall at the bottom, without as much as a crack in the egg.

Saint Mary's engineering students Steve Page, Warren Rodgers and Robert Ewing designed a small unit that resembled a bomber plane with marble wheels, that took the egg down the ramp in 3.2 seconds. Each team at the competition was given virtual money to purchase materials needed to build their units at a store set-up at the competition site.

"We had such a short amount of time to come up with an innovative idea," says Page. "We worked as a team, and our efforts proved to be very successful." Their invention took first prize at the competi-

tion. The team won \$1,000, and each awarded certificates for their performance from Proctor and Gamble.

"It was a real team effort, and this is what made the whole event really unique," says Ewing. "We all worked together, and the outcome proved to be positive as we took home the top award."

Rodgers echoes their sentiments, and says that the experience will certainly be a highlight of his university days. "This competition was a special moment for the whole team," he says. "We used our academic and real world skills that we continually learn at Saint Mary's, and of course we came out as the best team."

The team also emphasizes the strong support from the professors in the Faculty of Engineering, in particular Dr. Andrew Seaman, Chair, Engineering Department.

Dalhousie University placed second, UNB third, St. Francis Xavier fourth, and Acadia University fifth. ▼

Commerce Students Shine Nationally and Internationally



The MBA Team is, from the left (back): Dr. Kathy Driscoll, Management Department, Douglas Churchill, Aaron Taylor and Ashwin Joshi. From the left (front): Marc Leonard and Michael Sangster.

Commerce students at Saint Mary's University know how to get the job done when it comes to competing in the real world.

Last month, three teams from the Faculty of Commerce showed their unique expertise of business skills as they competed in competitions across the country at the national and international level.

Master of Business Administration

(MBA) students Doug Churchill, Marc Leonard, Mike Sangster and Aaron Taylor competed at the Concordia Case Competition, the biggest North American Competition. There were 33 teams from around the world competing.

Saint Mary's students beat the University of Massachusetts, Texas A&M (one of the top 25 teams in the USA), Memorial University and the University

of South Carolina. They made it to the semi final but were defeated by Western University. They beat 11 of the 14 Canadian teams.

"This particular group gelled well as a team. They are bright students and they were individually very motivated to do well, but they really worked together well as a team," says Dr. Cathy Driscoll, Management Department, who coached the team. "For the past three years that I have been involved in coaching this team,

all three groups of students have commented that this was the best learning experience for them in the MBA program and one of the highlights of their time spent at Saint Mary's."

A team of undergraduate commerce students from Saint Mary's beat out 20 other schools at the most prestigious undergraduate competition in Canada – Queen's Intercollegiate Business Competition. The team of Nicole Godbout, Lisa MacDonald and Aaron Stephenson competed against five other finalists in busi-

ness policy event at Queen's University.

Dr. Barry Gorman, Accounting Department, and coach of the team, says that the students had some tough competition, but had the skills to come out on top. "They did a superb job," he says. "The opportunity to meet the brightest students from across Canada, and to compete in front of national and internationally ranked judges, is an invaluable experience for our Commerce students."

In the west, Saint Mary's came in third out of 15 teams at the Manitoba International Marketing Competition.

Students Mike DeCoutere, Jennifer Vail, Gordon MacDougall, Colin MacNeil and Paul Isenor traveled to Winnipeg to compete against teams from all over the world. The team's captain was Dr. Linda Van Esch, Marketing Department.

"Our program continually promotes a student culture where students have more of an active involvement in case competitions, where high quality work is valued," says Dr. Van Esch. "Our team demonstrated that they can produce high quality work at the Manitoba Case Competition."

Student Has Bug to Solve Crimes

by Paul Fitzgerald

Hélène Leblanc wants a career working with bugs. This by itself may not sound all that unusual. Only she wants to use bugs to try and solve murders and poaching cases.

Forensic entomology involves using insects to provide clues in a murder or poaching investigation. It is a highly specialized and relatively unknown field in Canada. In fact, Canada has only one forensic entomologist, but it may soon have two.

Leblanc is a fourth year student in the Honours, Biology program at the University, and her area of study is researching insects. A field trip to the United States last summer introduced her to the career path she is now on.

She hopes to work alongside Dr. Gail Anderson, Canada's forensic entomologist, who is also a professor at Simon Fraser University. Dr. Anderson was at Saint Mary's recently to draw attention to this specialized field and hopefully secure funding for similar work in Nova Scotia.

Dr. Anderson has initiated and is overseeing forensic entomology studies in provinces across Canada. She hopes data will be collected from all provinces in order to provide accurate information that is geographically specific. Even the slightest climate differences can affect insect evidence.

Leblanc and other graduate students could be part of a special project in the Atlantic Region that deals with collecting

data for use in our province. Funding for the project is still being sought at this time, and those involved hope to have it up and running shortly.

Dr. Doug Strongman, Associate Professor, Biology Department, will co-supervise the project with Dr. Anderson. Inspector Lee Fraser of the RCMP will be involved in the setting up the experiments as well as advising on procedures for investigations of crime scenes.

Dr. Strongman says that insects, particularly species that visit decomposed bodies, can be useful in determining time of death of a human or an animal. Such information can be extremely important in homicides and poaching investigations. The project will provide scientific data on species composition, succession and colonization time for dead bodies and animals over three seasons in the Atlantic region.

Dr. Strongman says that pig carcasses will be used in this project as they are prime models for the study of carrion insect colonization. The study will be conducted at a site near Halifax by students at Saint Mary's.

"We are using pigs as humans and this is where we will get the insects from," he says. "The project is designed in a very scientific fashion. For instance, we will not just place the pigs anywhere. We are going to have selected sites, and at each of those sites we will have replication in order to have a solid scientific basis on what we conclude."



Hélène Leblanc (left) a fourth year Honours Biology student has a bug to solve crimes using insects. Joining her is Dr. Doug Strongman, Associate Professor, Biology Department.

Leblanc is fascinated with this area of study, and can't wait to begin on the project. "The study of forensic entomology is a very important tool for our society in solving murders and in poaching cases," she says. "There will be a lot of ground to cover, but there will be enormous results from such a project."

She says the benefits include training in entomology for graduate students, and of course having professionals in the Atlantic region who can be used as consultants when needed.

While funding for the project remains a key issue, Dr. Strongman is confident that the project will become a reality. He says that he's done a fair amount of beating the bushes for money. "I've sent 18 letters, highlighting the project, to a number of governmental departments in all four Atlantic provinces, and world wildlife groups."

He also says that he and Dr. Anderson will be submitting a letter for funding from the National Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC). ▼

Scholarly & Professional Development

International Development Studies

Dr. Krishna Ahooja-Patel was invited by UNICEF to participate in the Regional Workshop on the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) and the Convention on the elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) that was held in Zanzibar from October 13 to 17, 1997. Dr. Ahooja-Patel gave two presentations; a general one outlining the principles of the CEDAW treaty and the work of the Committee, and the other on the complementarity between CRC and CEDAW. Dr. Krishna Ahooja-Patel was invited by the United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW) to a Brainstorming/Coordination Session on "Global Trends in Gender and Development Research" at INSTRAW's headquarters in Santo Domingo from November 23 to 25, 1997. Also Dr. Ahooja-Patel was selected as a consultant to meet for this three-day brainstorming session in order to assist INSTRAW in identifying emerging trends and gaps in research on women/gender and development issues.

Anthropology Department

Dr. Stephn Davis wrote "Archeological Evidence for Pre-Contact Fishing in the Maritimes," in a new book, *How Deep is the Ocean? Historical Essays on Canada Atlantic Fishery* (1997, University College of Cape Breton Press).

Geography

During early 1997 Dr. Hugh Millward offered two half-courses in The Gambia (Urban Land Use, and Map and Air Photo Interpretation). In August he presented a paper, "Retailing as an Indicator of Downtown Viability: A Comparative Study of Halifax and Kitchener," jointly with Dr. Turdi Bunting (University of Waterloo) at the meeting of the Canadian Association of Geographers. He co-edited with Dr. James Morrisison *Japan at Century's End: Changes, Challenges and Choices* (Halifax: Fernwood Press and Saint Mary's University, 260 pp.), and also published (with Lorna Winsor) "Twentieth-

Century Retail Change in the Halifax Central Business District," in *The Canadian Geographer*, 41 (1997), 194-201.

Management Department

Dr. Albert J. Mills' article, "Organizational Analysis Goes to the Movies: Inserting Humanities into the Management Curriculum," has been accepted for publication by the (U.S.) *Journal of Management Studies*. Remarkably, this is the sixth paper that has either accepted for publication or actually published by an academic journal in the last six months – including two U.S. journals: *Journal of Management Education* and *Journal of Management Systems*, two international journals – *Studies in Cultures, Organization and Societies*, and *Gender, Work and Organization*; a Canadian journal – the *Canadian Review of Sociology and Anthropology*, and a Finnish journal – the *Finnish Journal of Administration*. In the same period of time, Dr. Mills has also been asked to contribute chapters in two edited collections.

Astronomy and Physics

Dr. William Long participated in the recent meeting of AUPAC (Atlantic Undergraduate Physics and Astronomy Conference) held at Mount Allison University. He gave a presentation entitled "Simple Home-built ESR Spectrometer," and then took part in the judging of student papers.

Sociology

Last November, Dr. Ishmael Okraku presented a paper, titled, "Residential segregation of the elderly in Canadian cities: The effect of marital statuses," at the 50th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

English Department

In December, Dr. Deborah Kennedy presented a paper "Benevolent Historian: Helen Maria Williams and Her British Readers," at the Annual Conference for the Northwest American Society for 18th Century Studies, Boston Massachusetts. She also has an article, "Introducing Felicia Hemands in the First-Year Course," in *Approaches to Teaching British Women Poets of the Romantic Period* (1977). ▼

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Irish Flavour at Saint Mary's

This year's annual Irish Studies Fund Raising Dinner proved to be another success for Saint Mary's University.

The 7th annual event, held at Saint Mary's on February 21, attracted over 250 guests, and is expected to net close to \$18,000. The events combined over the last ten years has raised almost \$300,000, with the Chairs endowment approaching \$1.3-million.

The guest speaker at the event was Alban Maginness, the Lord Mayor of

Belfast. Dr. D'Arcy McGee, Chair, Irish Studies Department, announced the 1998 recipient of the Canadian Irish-Person of the Year - Mr. Ted McConnell of Toronto. McConnell also addressed the guests that evening.

The entertainment was plentiful throughout the evening. Provided by talented Irish musicians and dancers. A "Riverdance" type performance was one of the highlights during the dinner.



The Dinner Committee at the pre-dinner President's reception. From left to right: Dr. Cyril Byrne, Co-ordinator of Irish Studies; Joe Gillivan, dinner Committee Chairman; Denis Ryan M.C.; and Don Keleher, Director, University Advancement.



Dr. Cyril Byrne, Chair, Irish Studies Department, presents the Canada's Irish-Person of the Year Award to Ted McConnell of Toronto.

Student Wins Second Sobeys Scholarship

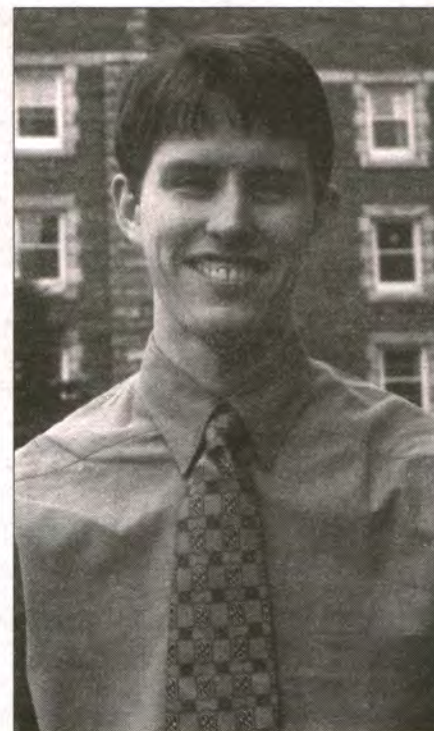
Sean Riley is no stranger to winning big awards.

He's a student in the Commerce program, Honours, Economics, and just received news that he is the Atlantic Canada Recipient of The Frank H. Sobeys Scholarship, a prestigious award valued at \$6,000. This is not the first time he's picked up the award. Last year he also took it home, which was then valued at \$5,000.

A large number of students from across the Atlantic Region apply for the award each year, and must possess an exceptional grade point average to win it.

"I am absolutely honoured to win the Sobeys Scholarship," says Riley. "It is certainly a big surprise to win such an award, especially when competing against a large pool of students from all universities in the region."

His older brother Tom, who now studies at the London School of Economics, also won the award on three occasions while at Saint Mary's. "He was really excited to hear that I won for the second time in a row. He is most of all proud that I, as his younger brother is following right in his footsteps," he says.



Sean Riley, Honours, Economics, has just taken home his second Frank H. Sobeys Scholarship, valued at \$6,000.

He says that a number of professors from the University showed their support in the application process. They included professors from Economics and Finance Department, and in particular Dr. Therese Arseneau, Political Science Department. ▼

In the News

Dr. Colin Dodds,

Vice President Academic and Research, was quoted in the *Herald*, about the Nunavut Arctic College where Saint Mary's will train individuals for the new territorial government. He was interviewed by the *Herald* about the proposed merger of the Royal Bank and Bank of Montreal. He also appeared on CTV's News One, ATV's Evening News and CBC's Information Morning about his reaction to the planned merger. He participated on a CBC First Edition panel after the budget came down.

Dr. Jamal Badawi,

Management, was interviewed by Global News about the crisis in the Gulf. He was also interviewed by Information Morning about the current labour disputes in the province.

Dr. Lora Bethard,

Psychology, appeared on CBC's Maritime Noon to speak about the pros of having a national holiday in February.

Dr. Therese Arseneau,

Political Science, discusses the provincial election campaign on CBC's Information Morning, CBC's First Edition and CBC Toronto's The Morning Show.

Dr. Greg MacKinnon,

Finance and Management Science, spoke to Global News about buying RRSPs.

Dr. Kenneth Ozmon,

President, was interviewed by CBC's First Edition, about the impact the market unrest in Asia is having on local universities.

Dr. Edna Keeble,

Political Science, spoke to Global News about the fascination with the American presidency that exists, even here in Nova Scotia.

Denis Leclaire,

International Activities, spoke to CBC's Information Morning about his international recruitment efforts.

David Lane,

Astronomy and Physics, talks about amateur astronomy on CBC's Information Morning.

Chuck Bridges,

Director of Public Affairs, is quoted in *Currents, Council for Recruitment, Advancement and Support of Education*, about the award winning "Lunch with the Huskies" program.

Dr. Paul Dixon,

Dean of Commerce, spoke to CHFX Radio News about the Saint Mary's involvement in training individuals for the new government of Nunavut.

Linda Chen,

a student at Saint Mary's from Taiwan, was quoted in *The Wall Street Journal*, about why she chose a university in Canada over the U.S.

Dr. Harold McGee,

Anthropology, was quoted in the *Daily News* about Japanese New Year celebrations at Saint Mary's.

Dr. Leonard Preyra,

Political Science, spoke to CBC-TV and ATV about the Nova Scotia legislative committee's meetings regarding the Calgary Declaration. He spoke to the *Herald* and ATV about the political implications of the resignations of Sandra Jolly and Richie Mann from the Legislative Assembly. He spoke to Global News about Premier MacLellan and the upcoming election and Canadian Press about the issues that shape Nova Scotia elections. He spoke to CBC's Mainstreet and Global's Maritimes Today about the situation in the Gulf. He appeared on ATV's Evening News to talk about the budget. He spoke about the NDP election platform on CBC's First Edition and CBC Radio about the NDP and the union vote. He was interviewed by CBC's Newsworld and CBC's The National about Nova Scotia's changing party system. He was quoted in *Herald* in regard to collective bargaining and its impact on the election.



A Golden Year



Jad Crnogorac (second from left) will not leave the team unnoticed. Joining her just before a game is, from the left: Kate Little, Jennifer Reid, and Melanie Johnson.

When the women's basketball team's season came to an end this Spring, so did the varsity career of Jad Crnogorac. In her five years with the Huskies' her contributions have been invaluable and her presence on the team will be sadly missed.

She finished first in scoring in the QUAA league and third in the country, she was named CIAU Second Team All-Canadian MVP of the AUAA and she holds the record for most three pointers in a game. But she has meant a lot more to the team than her national rankings. "She sets the tone in practices and games, she is fiercely competitive and every year she has a better understanding of the game," says coach Jill Healy.

Crnogorac has started every game she has played at Saint Mary's - a sure sign of the confidence this coach has in her player. "She has matured into a great player. She is very calm, very smart and the game is coming to her much easier," says Healy.

She also has her teammates' respect. "Jad is very consistent. It will be a big loss to the team when she leaves at the end of the season," says fourth year player Jennifer Reid who joined the Huskies line-up this year.

But this year also marked a change in the team. "A lot of the pressure was taken off Jad this year because we have a team with incredible depth," says Healy. "We can come off the bench with anybody. Everyone is prepared to step in."

Only two names will be dropped from the team's roster next season. Crnogorac and fifth year varsity player Melanie Johnson who joined the team this year after four seasons with St. F.X. University. While the team is losing two of its key leaders, Johnson is confident the team will rebound without a problem. "They are a very talented and multi-skilled group of players who are a threat in all positions," she says. "They'll be fine."

In fact, Healy already has a player in mind to take over the vital role that Crnogorac will leave open. "There is a young rookie that we are grooming. She is the one that we will build the program around," she says. Kate Little from Harvey New Brunswick, is the rookie she has in

mind. "She has a huge amount of potential and she will be stepping into Jad's huge shoes next season."

With some more experience and discipline, Healy is convinced that Little is ready for the challenge. Reid agrees with her coach. "Kate has had a big impact on the team this year and it is only her rookie year," she says. "She is very aggressive, a go-getter who wants to win. With more experience she will do even better."

So what does Little think of being groomed as the next Crnogorac? "Jill (Coach Healy) was honest with me from the start when she was recruiting. Sure it's a scary role and a lot of pressure comes with it. I have thought about it a lot and I have decided to take it one year at a time," says Little.

Part of her confidence comes from knowing that she won't do have to do it alone. "This was probably the most exciting team we have ever played," says Healy. "There is more fan support than ever."

Fan support has likely played a role in the team's record - 14 wins, six losses. Three losses came in January much to the disappointment of the team. Reid tries to explain what happened during their first loss. "When we all come together, we play wonderful basketball like in the first half of the game against UPEI. The maybe we became a little over confident," she says. Coach Healy adds that "PEI was chipping away at us and then I think we panicked. We never recovered from that before we played Memorial." They lost two games to Memorial.

So the team learned from their mistakes and refocused on the positives. Positives like enthusiasm, showing some emotion, staying focused and playing to win. "It's a matter of pride," says Johnson. "We knew our record - we were waiting for the wins to come to us. We stopped working and getting excited about basketball. We had to step back and have fun again."

Johnson says it was a matter of regrouping and they managed to do it very quickly. They went on to beat Dalhousie.

The team has worked hard and made a lot of sacrifices all season, unfortunately, it didn't pay off in an AUAA title. They lost their first game to Dalhousie at the championships. But that won't dampen the spirit of the team for long. Just wait until next year. ▼

Great Expectations for Women's Hockey

The Huskies' Women's Hockey Team vaulted from a relatively unknown club sport at Saint Mary's to national status over the course of one short weekend. They were the team from the Maritimes competing at the CIAU's held at Concordia late last month.

The team won the right to advance to the Nationals after capturing the first ever AUAA title. "It's a huge development in women's hockey to be the first winners,"

says coach Lisa MacDonald. "To lay claim to the first ever championship." It was also the first time a CIAU championship was played in women's hockey.

Even though the Huskies' didn't capture a national title, nothing could dampen the spirit of this team of women who clinched the Atlantic title after playing just nine games during their regular season. What makes this accomplishment even more remarkable is that the women's hockey program at

Saint Mary's operated as a club sport under the recreation program up until the championship series. They declared varsity status only recently in order to compete at the AUAA's.

The women received team uniforms just prior to leaving for the Nationals. They had been wearing old jerseys from the men's program. "They (the University) didn't want to send us to a national competition looking like the Bad News Bears," says MacDonald.

The old jerseys couldn't have been that bad though, they won an Atlantic title in them. Maybe the jerseys even brought them a little luck in each of their four games played at the AUAA's held at UNB

in January. Three of their four games went into overtime, but the Huskies' still managed to win all four.

"We were very surprised. Things were looking bleak," says MacDonald. "We were short on the bench and the girls were running out of gas. But we had decided to make Saint Mary's the hotbed of women's hockey in the Atlantic provinces. That was our driving force."

MacDonald was realistic about her expectations for the team at the national level. "We are a very, very young team," she says. Many of the teams they faced have 10 and 15 years of experience at the varsity level. What she does hope came out of the tournament is some national attention to women's hockey in the Maritimes.

MacDonald, who played five seasons with the program at Concordia, feels that support of women's hockey at the university level has increased overall in the past few years. "The exposure at the Olympics certainly

helped. We will continue to build on the momentum of the Olympics. There has also been an increase in the enrollment of young girls in hockey," she says.

As for the future of women's hockey at Saint Mary's, the program will likely return to club status next year because there just isn't the funding to support another varsity program right now. But Larry Uteck, Director of Athletics and Recreation, hopes to increase the funding the team receives over the next few years.

"We are very pleased to know that the women's hockey team has done so well in their first year. It will certainly help us recruit for the program in the future," he says. "We are very proud of them." ▼

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