



Maroon & White

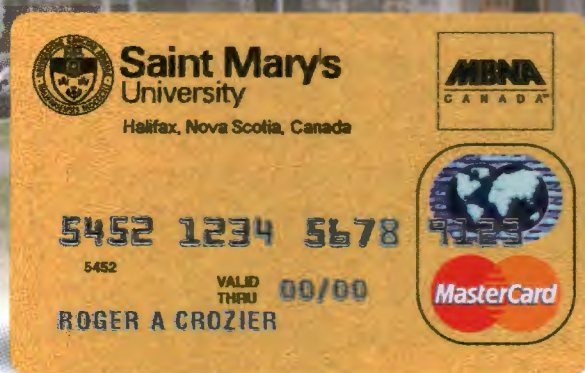
A MAGAZINE FOR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS OF SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY – WINTER, 2000

Saint Mary's celebrates its third century – proud of our past, focusing on the future



Show Your Pride

NO ANNUAL FEE



Introducing the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association MasterCard® credit card.

- 5.9% introductory annual interest rate on balance transfers and cash advance cheques†
- High credit line
- Around-the-clock fraud protection
- Credit line increase decisions in one hour or less
- Emergency cash and airline ticket replacement (subject to credit availability)
- Each time you use the card to make a purchase, MBNA Canada™ will make a contribution to support your alumni association

For more information, call now: 1-800-328-0535

Please mention priority code AENP



†The current annual interest rate for permitted cash advance cheques and balance transfers is 5.9% through your fifth statement closing date, commencing on the month after your account is opened. Thereafter, the annual interest rate for both new and outstanding cash advance balances (consisting of cash advance cheque and balance transfer transactions) will be 16.9%. For purchases and other cash advances, the annual interest rate is 16.9%. At a 5.9% annual interest rate, a \$100 balance would accrue a monthly interest charge of \$0.50. At 16.9%, the monthly interest charge would be \$1.44. Some transaction charges may apply. MBNA Canada may allocate your payments to different extensions of credit (including new transactions) with lower annual interest rates before extensions of credit with higher annual interest rates. MBNA Canada is a trademark of MBNA America Bank, N.A., used pursuant to license by MBNA Canada Bank. MasterCard is a registered trademark of MasterCard International Inc., used pursuant to license. ©1999 MBNA Canada Bank

AD-12-98-0140



Maroon & White

A MAGAZINE FOR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS OF SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY

Departments

- 2** President's Report
Greetings from Tim Westhaver
- 7** Director's Note
Greetings from Barry Gallant
- 10** Branch Events & Activities
News from Saint Mary's various branches
- 27** Snippets
Tracking the progress of Saint Mary's Alumni
- 30** In Memoriam
Remembering alumni and friends

Cover Some Glimpses of Saint Mary's Past

Recalling the history of Saint Mary's projects a vivid synopsis of faces, places and events. This issue's cover story looks at the successes of six alumni who received Honorary Degrees from Saint Mary's University – a testimony to the graduates we produce in our third century of existence.



- 3** Profiles Depth and Breadth of Student Body – Six High Profile Graduates Awarded Honorary Degrees
Saint Mary's Fall Convocation on October 17th was a cause for celebration, as close to three hundred students received their degrees and six former Saint Mary's graduates received Honorary Doctorates.

- 5** Homecoming '99 – Wrapping up the Century!
Weekend festivities kicked-off in style this year with alumni, students and friends coming back for the last Homecoming before the new millennium.

- 16** "Lets do this one for Larry"
Huskies vow to return to the "big one"
This is the end of the line, where two teams meet to play the game of all games – the Vanier Cup. Someone goes home a winner, and the other a loser.

- 19** Saint Mary's University Sets Milestone With New Ph.D. Program
Saint Mary's University has launched a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) program in Business Administration (Management), the first doctoral business program in Atlantic Canada.

- 21** Awards of Excellence
Select the award for which you wish to nominate someone: Distinguished Community Service Award, Father William A. Stewart, S.J. Medal for Teaching, Associate Membership and the Alumni Volunteer Award

- 25** Oakfield Golf and Country Club
was the venue for the 1999 Saint Mary's University Alumni Golf Tournament on Thursday, August 27th. A warm and sunny day brought 175 golfers to participate in the annual event.



LIBRARY

FEB 15 2000

SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY
HALIFAX, CANADA
B3H 3C3



We welcome your letters. Editing may be required due to limited space. Send your letters to: The Editor, Maroon & White, Alumni Office, Saint Mary's University, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3H 3C3 or e-mail: alumni@stmarys.ca

The Maroon & White is published three times a year by the Saint Mary's University Alumni Office and the Department of Public Affairs.

Director of Alumni Affairs:
Barry Gallant, BA '88, BEEd '89, MEd '93

Director of External Affairs:
Chuck Bridges, MBA '92

Editors: Chuck Bridges, Barry Gallant

Snippets: Betty Jean Frenette, Assc '92

Contributors this issue:
Paul Fitzgerald, BA '97, Ann Graham Walker, BA'70 (Vassar), MA'73 (University of California), Michael McCarthy BA'68.

Design: Chris Reardon Graphic Design

Photography: Chuck Bridges, Paul Fitzgerald

Printing: MacNab Print

Advertising: Barry Gallant
SMU Alumni Office (902) 420-5176

Front Cover Photos: Paul Fitzgerald, BA'97, Public Affairs Officer.

Mailed under Canada Post Publications
Mail Sales Agreement No. 1442031.

Front cover photos.

LEFT ROW: (L-R): 1. Dr. Owen Carrigan, who served as President of Saint Mary's during the 1970s; President Elect Dr. Colin Dodds and Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, OC, President of Saint Mary's University. 2. The students in The Gambia, West Africa, graduated with Saint Mary's degrees on their home soil. 3. The plaque unveiled for The Tower opening. Hon. Tom McInnis, N.S. Education Minister; Hon. John Buchanan, N.S. Premier; Mr. Ron Downie, Chairman of Saint Mary's Board of Governors; Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, Saint Mary's University President and the Hon. Alan Abraham, Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia. 4. A view of outer space from the University's observatory. CENTER: 1. Bob Hayes, Athletic Director with Fr. Hennessey over 30 years ago. 2. Chris Flynn accepts the Hec Creighton award in 1988. RIGHT: 1. The Sobey Building – a new state-of-the-art building for the new millennium. 2. Class photo from the fifties. 3. Tears of joy at the CIAU Championship. 4. Jamie Bone receiving one of his four medals during Paralympics in Seoul, South Korea.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Fellow
Santamarians,

As we stand on the brink of the new millennium, it seems the appropriate time to look back at our past and forward to our future at the same time. We can certainly be proud of our past. Most importantly we can also look forward with enthusiasm to Saint Mary's future.

On December 2, 1999, I was present as Saint Mary's launched its doctorate program in business. Certainly a long sought after dream of President Ozmon. This new program will shine an even greater light on Saint Mary's imminent position as a business school.

Congratulations are certainly in order for coach Blake Nill on our Vanier Cup finalist football Huskies. The team did everything it could, but fell short in the dying minutes. The university programs in hockey and basketball are receiving much national attention as of late, both of them ranked in the top ten. Alumni can certainly help all of their causes by going to the games and vocally supporting our teams. The ladies varsity programs are all contenders this year and I certainly wish them well in their future endeavors.

During Homecoming I was pleased to have attended the class of 1949 luncheon. I remarked to them at the luncheon, "I wager that many of the classes of the more recent era would be envious of their ability to know each and every one of their classmates." The obvious affection they all showed one another was a wonderful thing to see.

That feeling of camaraderie and fellowship is an important part of the Alumni Association. To that end, the local chapter under the direction of past president Rod Dorion, have established a regular gathering called "First Fridays." These gatherings will take place starting the first Friday of each month in February at the Split Crow in downtown Halifax from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Please mark this in your date book. Another date you should mark is May 27, 2000. The first Alumni dinner of the century. The dinner committee being chaired by Sherri-Lynn Murray is bringing it back to campus to honor Dr. and Mrs. Ozmon.

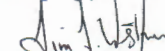
The gala event will take place in the Conference Hall with a reception in the foyer of the Sobeys building. An excel-

lent menu has been selected and an evening is being planned that all will enjoy.

In closing, I am extremely grateful for the opportunity of serving as your president. Although I have the responsibility of chairing the executive, I would like to point out there are many hardworking members

that serve on the various committees that organize the events and services that are available for all of us to enjoy. Working in tandem with the executive is the ever hard working staff of the Alumni Office. My job would be impossible without them.

Hoping you all have a great 2000


Tim Westhaver

"A Unanimous Decision" — Saint Mary's Appoints 33rd President

by Paul Fitzgerald

Saint Mary's University has positioned itself as a strong voice in the internationalization of education by selecting a new President who has already taken a lead in redrawing the boundaries - and possibilities - of the 21st century campus.

Dr. J. Colin Dodds was unanimously acclaimed by the University's Board of Governors on Wednesday, January 26, making him the successor to Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, OC, an internationally regarded university President for more than 20 years.

Robert Belliveau, QC, Chair of the Presidential Search Committee and Chair of the University's Board of Governors praised the efforts and dedication of the 11-person selection committee. "On behalf of the Board of Governors, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to the group of highly talented individuals who worked so diligently with the unwavering commitment over the past ten months," he says. The Presidential Search Committee consisted of faculty, student, board, alumni, and community members.

"Coupled with Colin's impeccable character and integrity, I believe his passion for this University and his total awareness of the entire Saint Mary's family are among his most valued assets," he says. "In his new role as President, Dr. Dodds will provide leadership and guidance in the community, academically and on-campus. He will also be responsible for building on the foundation established by Dr. Ozmon in the area of fundraising and external relations."

Dr. Dodds has been an effective player behind the scenes, both within Saint Mary's and beyond, since coming to the University in 1982. He is a man whose quiet

demeanor belies bold ideas and a dynamic track record during his 17 years at Saint Mary's.

"Our vision for Saint Mary's over the next number of years is to build on the past, but also to adapt to the changing global marketplace," says Dr. Dodds. "I want us to be recognized across Canada for what we espouse in our Mission Statement, which is excellence in teaching, research and the advancement of scholarship, outreach and service to our students."

Dr. Dodds has been a force behind the globalization of the Saint Mary's campus - making it one of the most internationalized campuses in Canada - and the establishment of The Frank H. Sobeys Faculty of Commerce, the leading business school in Atlantic Canada with the only Ph.D. program in Management in the region. He has pushed for the establishment of distinctive programs at Saint Mary's, such as the EMBA and the Graduate level Criminology Program, as well as programs within the Arts and Science faculties. He has helped build Saint Mary's solid academic reputation, with its low faculty-student ratio, its high percentage of professors with Ph.D.s, and its significant research endowments for a university its size.

Known to many as an integral player in making Saint Mary's a world-wide leader in education, and a keeper of the values and traditions of a University that is almost 200 years old, Dr. Dodds' appointment is well regarded by the community. His proven commitment to Saint Mary's is seen as important in a University that began in 1802 with a daring mission to make university education more accessible at a time when it was a jealously guarded elitist preserve.

Since 1991 Dr. Dodds has been the Vice-President, Academic and Research at Saint Mary's, a position that has allowed him to pursue the University's far-reaching goals such as the establishment of Saint Mary's programs in The Gambia, West Africa, the marketing of Saint Mary's education in every country and on nearly every continent around the world, and the establishment of the University as a consistently high performer in the Maclean's magazine Annual Rankings. Since 1982 the University has managed over \$40-million in academic initiatives and projects around the world.

A skilled and accessible communicator, he is frequently on radio, television and in print media, helping journalists grapple with issues that are changing our world, such as bank and grocery store mergers, NAFTA, and the future role of universities. He is also a widely known author with a long list of academic credentials and academic publications.

Dr. Dodds welcomes his new appointment as an opportunity to further build on the work he has begun. "I will infuse my Presidency with commitment, energy, passion and academic integrity, dedicated to ensuring that the University we all love prospers in our third century," says Dr. Dodds.

He believes in a Saint Mary's that will build on the past by adding new programs, both credit and non-credit in areas such as the Humanities. He plans to make strategic use of federal opportunities for funded Chairs, as well as building strategic alliances with other universities and the community colleges. He also wants to work with the private sector to ensure that students are able to gain a hands on approach to research and learning.

Dr. Dodds began teaching Finance at Saint Mary's in 1982. He then went on to become Chair of the Finance and Management Science Department, Director of the MBA Program and then Dean of The Frank H. Sobeys Faculty of Commerce, the leading business school in Atlantic Canada.

He holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree (Open University - U.K.), a Bachelor of Science in Economics (Honours) (Hull University), and a Master of Arts and Ph.D. (Sheffield University).

Dr. Dodds resides in Halifax with his wife, Carol, and two children, James and Elizabeth. Carol and James are graduates of Saint Mary's. He was made an Associate Alumnus of Saint Mary's by the Alumni Association in 1995. As the 33rd President of Saint Mary's University, Dr. Dodds' appointment takes effect July 1, 2000.

Profiles *Depth* and *Breadth* of Student Body

Six High Profile Graduates Awarded Honourary Degrees

Saint Mary's Fall Convocation on October 17th was a cause for celebration, as close to three hundred students received their degrees and six former Saint Mary's graduates received Honourary Doctorates.

Saint Mary's University President, Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, OC, addressed what was remembered as the last graduating class of the Millennium. He was delighted that this year's Honourary Degree recipients are "such exceptional role models for the new graduates."

"The six individuals who have been selected for this honour are a testament to what can happen when students take what they have learned at Saint Mary's as a springboard, combining knowledge with personal determination and creativity," says Dr. Ozmon.

"Today's graduates can approach the world with confidence and a sense of exciting, broad horizons," he continues, with his characteristic warm enthusiasm. "The opportunities awaiting them may be in our back yard – but they are perhaps even more likely to be half way around the world, in one form or another. I want to wish them all well."

The Honourary Degree recipients – Gao Shan, Grace White, A. Kevin Francis, Richard E. Franklin, Irwin D. Simon and Eligio M. Gaudio – have navigated very diverse lives and challenges, but they have important things in common. They have all demonstrated leadership in the dynamic world of international business, as well as in their communities. They all received their undergraduate education at Saint Mary's and made an impact on campus life while they were there. They will all receive Honourary Doctorate Degrees in Commerce from their alma mater.

GAO SHAN grew up in The People's Republic of China and served in the North Sea Fleet of the Chinese Navy from 1969 to 1975. A short time later he enrolled in the Beijing Institute of Foreign Trade (BIFT) where he graduated in 1981 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree with a major in Economics. While enrolled there as a student he was commissioned to assist the Canada/China Language Training Centre, a joint project of the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Trade and the Canadian Interna-



Front row (L-R): Honourary Degree Recipients: Eligio Gaudio, Richard Franklin, Irwin Simon, Grace White, Gao Shen.

Missing from photo: Kevin Francis.

Rear (L-R): Robert Belliveau, QC, Chair, Board of Governors; Dr. J. Colin Dodds, VP – Academic and Research; Dr. Elizabeth Chard, Registrar; Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, OC, President; Honourable J. James Kinley, Lieutenant Governor.

tional Development Agency (CIDA). This project was managed through BIFT and Saint Mary's. As a legacy of this program, Saint Mary's continues to be one of the best known Canadian universities in The People's Republic of China. Shan is the first Chinese student ever from The People's Republic to graduate with a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree from Saint Mary's in 1985.

Shan has enjoyed much success in the oil business over the years. In 1983 he became an Associate Professor at the University of Business and Economics and not long after took the leap in what would become an outstanding management career in the Chinese petroleum sector.

In the late 1980s he accepted a position as General Manager for the Oil Products Division of Sinochem, and in 1995 he became the Executive Vice President of the China National United Oil Corporation. That same year he was appointed General Manager and President of Sinochem International Oil Corporation, a subsidiary of Sinochem – a company mainly specializing in the

import, export and entrepot trade of crude oil, petroleum products and oil storage, processing, futures transaction, barter and contra-trade.

His friends and colleagues attribute his outstanding success to his charisma and stamina as a person.

GRACE WHITE grew up in Jamaica, where her mother raised three children by setting up her own home-based food brokerage business to distribute produce from the family vegetable farm. The family scrimped and saved to send Grace and her older sister Yasmine to Saint Mary's. Grace graduated in the late 70's with a Bachelor of Commerce degree, majoring in Business Administration. She began her life as an insurance agent, before taking the bold step of founding CanJam Trading Company from an office in her Dartmouth home. CanJam is now a successful international food trading house, dealing with low cost frozen food items that are salted or pickled. CanJam makes more than 35 different food products and gross sales have reached \$30 million dollars. The home grown company exports to every corner of the world, including the Carib-

Saint Mary's Convocation



bean, North America, South America, Asia, Africa, Europe and Australia.

Grace White is a widow with two children. She is an active member of the Board of Directors of the Export Development Corporation, and a frequent speaker and presenter in the Saint Mary's University Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA) program.

KEVIN FRANCIS, now the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Xerox Canada (a \$1.6 billion dollar Canadian company specializing in document management products and services), graduated from the Saint Mary's Bachelor of Education program before going on to an executive career in business. He has held a variety of leadership positions in Atlantic Canada, British Columbia, Ontario and in the United States, covering a broad range of professional areas strategic to successful corporations including sales, marketing, customer service, process re-engineering planning, administration, information systems, general management, customer satisfaction and quality assurance.

Mr. Francis is involved in a number of organizations including the Conference Bureau of Canada, the Business Council on National Issues, the Richard Ivy School of Business at the University of Western Ontario, the National Quality Institute, the Public Policy Forum, the Information Technology Association of Canada and the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business.

RICHARD FRANKLIN is perhaps best remembered by many Saint Mary's alumni as a former Captain of the Saint Mary's University football team and Chief of the Campus Police. His teachers will remember voting him Alpha Sigma Nu in the Jesuit Honors Society, before his graduation in 1969 with a Bachelor of Commerce degree. Franklin went on to graduate studies in business and has had a ca-

reer spanning a diverse range of challenges. He was a senior executive with the Seven-Up Company for ten years, he has held senior positions with Head Sport, Coors Brewing Company and Reebok International, and more recently has worked in the telecommunications and information technology field. He was a Senior Vice President for Telecommunications Inc., a major United States firm that runs cable and communications networks, and in February 1999 was appointed President and Chief Operating Officer for the Halifax-based Information Technology Institute (ITI). ITI has campuses across Canada and is now establishing schools across the United States, with an expansion plan of four schools per year.

Richard Franklin serves on numerous community and youth oriented voluntary agencies.

IRWIN SIMON graduated from Saint Mary's with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1979. He went on to a number of senior sales and marketing positions with prominent food companies, building a base of experience for a bold entrepreneurial move. Simon began acquiring under-managed specialty brand food companies, placing them under competent centralized management and high quality-control standards. He then went on to acquire the Hain Pure Food Company, a company founded in 1926 and one of North America's oldest and most prominent natural food businesses selling a variety of products which contain no artificial ingredients or preservatives. Other major acquisitions followed. Under Simon's leadership, Hain is now the nation's largest natural food business with 18 health food companies under its jurisdiction and annual sales revenues of over \$200 million.

Notwithstanding his multifaceted roles as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Hain Food Group Inc., Simon is Chairman of the New York City Gotham Chapter of the Young Presidents' Organization and sits on the board of two other public companies. Irwin Simon was awarded the 1997 Ernst and Young, Long Island "Entrepreneur of the Year" Award and was named by Business Week as one of the "Top Entrepreneurs" for 1998.

Born in Mangone, Southern Italy, **ELIGIO GAUDIO** is the eldest of six children and came to Canada when he was six. He graduated from Saint Mary's in 1981 with a Bachelor of Arts and a major in Economics. He demonstrated his broad-based talent early on. Gaudio was a varsity football player, the Co-Captain of the Varsity Rugby Team, one of the Editors of the Saint Mary's University Journal – a student publication. He received the Literary "M" Award for his contributions to campus media, the Gold "M" award (presented to the student



who has made the most outstanding contributions to extracurricular activities during their years on campus) and was the Arts representative on the student council before graduating and becoming a retail stock broker in Ontario. Gaudio has held a number of high profile positions in a range of areas, including investment, travel, marketing and software. He is currently the President and CEO of the FRI Corporation in Toronto, a position that involves promoting the Corporation globally as well as creating shareholder value, maintaining corporate vision, setting strategic direction and managing day to day operations. FRI's mandate is "to provide software information and services to the North American and International financial community." It is one of the largest suppliers of portfolio management systems in Canada.



Saint Mary's Convocation

Homecoming '99

October 15 - 17, 1999

- Wrapping up the Century!



Class of 1949: (L to R) Frank Arab, Frank Graves, Charlie Fahie, Donald Cummings, Al Driscoll, Jim Fitzgerald and William Ryan.



(L to R) Mary Ann Hotchkiss, Mary Jane Fumerton and Ann MacGillivray.

Weekend festivities kicked-off in style this year with alumni, students and friends coming back for the last Homecoming before the new millennium.

Friday, October 15, began with a Varsity Luncheon, "Golden Grad Luncheon" - honouring the Class of 1949 hosted by Dr. & Mrs. Ozmon, Alumni Women & Men's Basketball Games and Opening Reception.

On Saturday, October 16, the fun continued with the Sport Hall of Fame Induction ceremony. Inductees were: Elizabeth Chard, Bob Warner, Jamie Bone and the 1964 Football Team. Events also included the EMBA Brunch, "Luncheon Theatre" presented by the SMU Drama Society, Tailgate Party, Homecoming Football Game, Post Game Gathering topped off with a Huskies Hockey Game.

Homecoming '99 events concluded with Men's & Women's Soccer Games and Fall Convocation.

At the end of the Weekend, everyone went home tired but very excited and looking forward to Homecoming 2000!



(L to R) Tim Westhaver, Don Keleher, Barry Goieche and Mary Hellstrom.



(L to R) Mary Ellen Donovan, Mary Ann Hotchkiss, Ann White, Loly Crowley, Dennis Reardon (in back) and Keith Hotchkiss (in front).



(L to R) Fred Terrio, Terry Johnson, Rick Butler and Fred Perry, Sr.



(L to R) Ron Gomes, Bob Hayes and Mary Lou Gomes.

*Thank Your
Calendars Now!
Homecoming 2000
October 13, 14, 15
See you there!*

Homecoming '99

- Wrapping up the Century!



Some members of the Saint Mary's University Drama Society.



(L to R) Bob Hayes and Peter Halpin.



(L to R) Jennifer Warner, Rachele and Bob Warner and Lisa Warner. Missing from Photo is Marc Warner.

**Canadian
Fellowship of
Christian
Peace Officers**

presents

The International Retreat of Christian Law Enforcement Officers on August 20-23, 2000 at the Luthern Church Camp, Lunenburg County, Nova Scotia, followed by the Annual National Meeting and Conference of the Canadian Fellowship of Christian Peace Officers on August 24-27, 2000, taking place at the Wandlyn Inn, Bridgewater, Nova Scotia.

More Information on the conference can be obtained by contacting:

Ron Seney, BA'83

Bluenose Chapter, CFCPO

450 Lahave Street, Suite 207, Bridgewater, NS B4V 3T2

Tel: (902) 527-8727 • Fax: (902) 527-0003 • E-mail: rseney@hotmail.com

Canadian Federation of University Women Celebrates 80 Years

The Canadian Federation of University Women just celebrated its 80th Birthday! Founded in 1919, CFUW is a voluntary, nonpartisan, non-profit, self-funded, bilingual organization of approximately 10,000 women university graduates in 128 clubs across Canada.

CFUW members are active in public affairs, working to raise the social and legal status of women, as well as to improve education, the environment, economic, peace, justice and human rights. CFUW members represent a cross-section of Canada. We are business women, scientists, homemakers, health care professionals, engineers, lawyers and educators. We care about our country, our community, our families and ourselves, and as such have been active in public affairs for more than 80 years.

On the national level, we lobby the Federal government about our policies on education, the status of women, human rights, and the quality of life; we provide opportunities to network with members at local, regional, national and international meetings; and we support the CFUW Charitable Trust which 1) manages individual and club donations, and 2) manages funds for graduate awards and fellowships, an annual music award for a young Canadian composer, and grants to email regional libraries.

At the local level, clubs provide opportunities for fellowship and support, research and present resolutions, hold meetings on educational, cultural and social issues, promote qualified women as candidates for elected or appointed positions, offer scholarships and awards, and have special interest and study groups.

CFUW members have always been leaders in the struggle for equality for women and human rights. The Royal Commission on the Status of Women, for example, was set up largely because of the implacable determination of Dr. Laura Sabia, CFUW President

1964-67.

Since its founding in 1919, an estimated \$9 million has been raised by individual clubs and spent on academic awards, libraries, the arts, and a multitude of other local community projects across Canada. This figure does not include the many thousands of dollars given by the Federation itself.

CFUW encourages informed and active participation in public affairs through the education, advocacy and action. CFUW advocates dialogue between its members and governments at all levels as a positive means towards constructive change. CFUW policy addresses the political, economic and cultural realms, touching on education, environment, justice, health and social issues. We believe that our policy recommendations, developed through a grassroots initiated process, have and will result in improvements in government policy.

Since 1985 CFUW has had a permanent Head Office in Ottawa. CFUW meets annually to derive policy from resolutions of current concern, which are then presented to the relevant government officials. CFUW has gained a solid reputation for well researched resolutions and briefs. As a result, government departments are now asking for our input.

CFUW is the second largest of 67 national affiliates of the 180,000 member International Federation of University Women (IFUW) which has accreditation with the United Nations through ECOSOC, UNCHS, UNESCO, UNICEF and the ILO. Through IFUW, CFUW provides leadership and support to women around the world to participate in decision making at local, national and international levels.

If you would like more information about CFUW, please visit our website at www.cfuw.ca

DIRECTOR'S NOTE



Dear Santamarians,

Welcome to the new millennium and the latest edition of the Maroon & White, our first publication of the 21st century!

The past year has certainly been a busy one for Saint Mary's University with many accomplishments that we, as alumni, can be extremely proud of. As you will see in this issue of the alumni magazine, our graduates throughout the world are achieving high levels of success in the global marketplace and continuing to progress due in large part to their time spent at Saint Mary's. Congratulations on your many achievements from your alma mater and continued success.

The past twelve months have brought Saint Mary's University and its Alumni Association many special moments. The highlights include the launching of the Ph.D program in Business Administration (Management), the first of its kind in Atlantic Canada, new programs in Criminology (BA and MA), Convocation in the Gambia, the basketball Huskies CIAU National Championship, football Huskies Vanier Cup appearance, Homecoming'99 festivities, alumni events and gatherings held around the world and, of course, the addition of 1000 new alumni as a result of Spring and Fall Convocations.

Throughout the new year it is my hope that all alumni will continue to contribute and share in the success of Saint Mary's. Why not take the opportunity to get involved with your Alumni Association by joining or forming an alumni branch in your area. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet, network and socialize with fellow Santamarians and actively share in our success. The Alumni Association will greatly benefit from your participation.

As we work together at the beginning of this new century in promoting and celebrating our alma mater, I am confident that the 21st century will continue to be a period of growth and success for Saint Mary's University and its alumni.

Best Wishes for success during 2000. Enjoy the read!

Barry Gallant
BA'88, BEd'89, ME'92

A Johnson Incorporated Initiative – The Preferred Option Plan (POP)

Many Canadians are finding it increasingly difficult to find access to traditional Employer-sponsored benefit plans. Estimates are that as many as 50% of all Canadians are part-time, seasonal, temporary, substitute, contract, or retired Employees and these individuals normally do not meet the eligibility requirements of their Employers' Benefit Plan.

Another major contributor to the shortage of benefits is the swelling number of Canadians who are either self-employed, or working for a small business that does not provide benefits for their Employees.

Johnson Incorporated recognizes that the need for benefits such as life, health and dental insurance, for you and your family, is greater than ever. The desire to fill this growing void has led to the development of the Preferred Option Plan, known simply as POP.

The Saint Mary's University Alumni Association also recognizes the changing demographics of the Canadian workplace and therefore, in partnership with Johnson Incorporated, has now made the POP Plan available to all SMU Alumni. The benefits available include: life insurance, personal accident insurance, and two levels of health and dental coverage. All benefits can be offered independently of each other.

The POP Plan is administered by Johnson Incorporated. Details of the plan can be received by calling Johnson Incorporated toll-free at 1-800-453-9543. Trained Staff are available to answer any questions you may have or to send you a complete POP information and enrolment kit. If you need benefits, we hope you will look to the new SMU Alumni POP Plan to meet your requirements.

I Wonder Where They Are Now?

by Michael McCarthy

Several years ago, during the 1960's I was a student at both Saint Mary's University and Dalhousie University. Those were the days of student involvement in almost everything. It was the time when American Forces were heavily involved in the war in Southeast Asia, with Vietnam being only one theatre of operations. The violent student rebellions of the late part of the decade were a long way away but universities were beginning to gear up for protest marches with larger and larger followings. Society was about to fall apart. Some of us had been reading the literature of the futurists who were making dire predictions for the quality of our lives during the next two decades. It was the time to be involved in something; either causes in support of something or against. So rather than follow the queues of students through the streets of Halifax protesting Vietnam, I took another path.

At some point I had heard that the Sisters of Service were active in work among newly arrived immigrants. What they did I really did not know. But it was bound to be better than being against something. I do not remember who contacted whom but I eventually spoke with a Sister Liota.

She was a short lady, with dark hair and eyes who had her family roots planted in Italy. Her work within her religious community was to serve the immigrant population either in transit through Halifax or living in the area. She was most often the first contact Italian immigrants had with the Catholic Church in Canada. Her work was not to convert but in what we would later call Social Jus-

The violent student rebellions of the late part of the decade were a long way away but universities were beginning to gear up for protest marches with larger and larger followings.

tice," of being present to those who might need a person who could bridge the gap between life in Italy with living in Canada.

If immigrants through the Port of Halifax cast their memories back in time they may fondly remember Sister Liota. She always had a smile on her face and in her eyes. I remember that she could switch from one Italian dialect to another with ease. With the warmth of a loving mother she approached people, hugged them, and consoled them. She checked rail tickets, addresses. She showed peo-

ple how to call relatives in some distant Canadian city. Because she was so tiny, she had to look up at almost every one. She rarely became angry, I remember one rather insolent man who had pushed her to her limit. Those dark eyes flashed and she got up on her toes and stuck a finger in this man's face. Her speech was like a machine gun. Her face became red with anger. In the end all that this man could mumble was: "Si Sorella, si." ("Yes, Sister, yes.") And I am sure much, much more.

This lady would act as a champion of the immigrant before anybody at 'The Port'. She knew Italy; she knew people, she had visited many of the cities these people were migrating to. The safe and calm arrival of immigrants was her life.

Those who stayed in Halifax could always count her as a friend.

I owe much to this little lady. She patiently corrected me as I learned Italian. She knew when things were bothering me and took me aside to just talk. For those who arrive through the Port of Halifax during these years, she was a calming, gentle advocate for them. Many never knew her name, but many will remember her small stature in the gray habit with a simple silver cross on her chest.

Sister Liota knew that I had a knowledge of



The 26th Annual Saint Mary's University Commerce Society Business Dinner And Introduces *Career Expo 2000*

The 1st Annual Career Expo unites with the Tradition of the Commerce Society Business Dinner.

For the first time ever the Commerce Society invites you to showcase your business at your alma mater and meet the brightest students Atlantic Canada has to offer.

~ Coming in March ~

Contact the Commerce Society for Expo booth and Dinner ticket information.

Space is limited. First come, first serve.

Phone: 902-496-8799 • Email: smu.commerce@stmarys.ca

Spanish and French. Italian was an easy leap for me, she reasoned because it was a romance language. If I agreed to volunteer, the most I would ever do was to offer a smiling face and a willingness to help confused people and to run errands when and where necessary. Language problems would be handled by herself and a core group of young men from the Italian community. (I truly wish I could remember their names.) When I had the time, she said, I could accept an invitation to meet an ocean liner and spend one or two hours at the immigration sheds to lend a hand. Nothing complex or nothing demanding a great deal of time. Well Sister, that simple act of saying yes got me hooked. And for the next several years I rarely missed a boat.

The real activity period at The Port was during the late fall to late spring months. Summer port of entry was Montreal until the St. Lawrence was closed for the season. Most of the passenger lists throughout the year were destined to Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa, Niagara and as far west as Edmonton. The people were primarily from Italy and Greece with a few from Germany and France. The larger percentage was Italian and Greek. As the year advanced, ocean traffic shifted from Montreal to Halifax. So we knew weeks in advance that such-and-such a ship would be due in, where she was from and a rough estimate of the passenger list. So the other volunteers and I could juggle our timetables to accommodate the arrivals. But so much for orderly timetables.

Numbers of people varied. There might be as few as three hundred, but over a couple of years the routine number was often around seven or eight hundred. The bulk of the people were working class Italians and a lesser number of Greeks. From time to time there was a family or two from France or Germany. Ages were all over the board. Young family groups with elderly relatives were most prominent. It seemed that if one generation decided to migrate to Canada then other generations followed. And since these cultures valued the extended family, that is what arrived. I often wondered what some of the communities back in the old country looked like after several voyages of people had left. I am sure that migration from Europe bled those countries of the innovators and potential leaders.

Winter months on the North Atlantic were not pleasant. Arrival dates were often put back one or two days because of bad seas. On the agreed date the vessel might arrive in port but have to sit in the stream for a number of hours until docking at the Pier was permitted. Sometimes, vessels would be hours steaming from Chebucto Head to the

Pier because of sea and wind conditions. Nothing was ever regular. I often remember expecting an arrival in the early afternoon and still waiting in the early hours of the morning for the ship.

Liners came to Halifax from an Italian line, a Greek Line and one out of Bremen in Germany. The Greek and Italian vessels made a triangular route: Piraeous in Greece, Palermo or Naples in Italy then on to Halifax and New York and back to Europe for the next cruise. I worked The Port when the Michelangelo made her maiden voyage. Our working area was at the bottom of the ramp leading from the holding areas on the upper level of the Pier, to the separate buildings above the baggage area and trains. To the left of our area was the Red Cross unit. They took nursing mothers, mothers with small children and the elderly into a hospitable place where they could relax before boarding the train.

Behind us to the left was the ramp down to the baggage area. When these spaces were empty little

Ages were all over the board. Young family groups with elderly relatives were most prominent. It seemed that if one generation decided to migrate to Canada then other generations followed.

noises rang out and bounced from all the hard sterile surfaces. When full with eight hundred or more persons of all ages the sound was interesting to say the least.

Other Halifax religious communities provided volunteers, but the Sisters of Service were always there and often the only non-functionary face these people had seen since leaving home. Arriving passengers came down the ramp and were met by us. Regardless of religious tradition, the Sisters and other volunteers offered advice in their own language. If the people were from other traditions, we directed them on to their representative group (Salvation Army or United Church) or continued to answer their questions.

The Sisters were not there for converts. Faith position of the newly arrived was second to extending a helping, compassionate hand to confused and often frustrated people.

This in a nut shell was the environment of my volunteering area. This is the clinical view of it. No arrival was ever typical. There were too many ships, too many people to ever say this was a typical arrival. But I will try to put some of my volunteering work into perspective.

It is a winter day. Crossing from Piraeous to Genoa and along the Mediterranean was calm. But like a big door the Straits of Gibraltar were another

thing. The North Atlantic crossing of seven days was about to be stretched into ten or eleven. The ship would be tossed so violently that the crew had to rig ropes around and across open spaces so that there was a handhold when the ship took a plunge into a trough. The elderly and children as most others soon became sick. Some would eat very little during the 'cruise'. Then Halifax. You see, in the mind of many, travelling was as you knew it from a European experience. Cities were minutes or a few short hours from each other. There you could climb on a train early in the morning and be most of the way across your country. So now they were in Halifax. They believed that the really difficult part of the trip was over. All of the goods permitted by the shipping line and Canadian officials were about to be reunited with their owners. A short trip and they would be in Toronto. But reality was never as imagined.

We at the bottom of the ramp really never saw too much of what happened in the reception area except when an interpreter was called to go up past the guard and see to a problem. When we did so, we were met with the noise of talking, the crying of children and adults, arguments between passengers and officials. We were met with the smells of Europe of Italy, Greece and Germany all gathered together in one large hall. We often saw people's luggage in pieces. Officials going through them, looking for food items and drink. Things that were gifts from the old country to relatives in Toronto, or maybe necessary ingredients to a meal that could never be duplicated in Canada because that spice did not exist here. We saw too where mishandling of luggage resulted in bottles being smashed and the liquid spilled over treasured clothing and linen. Twelve or more day old wine stains just do not come out.

Some people were as white as a sheet. The storms made eating impossible. Empty stomachs were made even more empty by vomiting. People were being told that certain goods were not allowed into this country and they were taken out into another room for disposal. Tempers were on edge. Officials who were fluent in English and mispronounced Italian of fifteen words often did not get much cooperation. I soon learned to speak Italian. With the help of the Italian volunteers and Sister Liota I acquired a dialect representative of nowhere but everywhere. It was enough for frightened people to see a smiling face, and an understanding voice and words in your own language. To be told that these things were not permitted, in Italian, was better than the same thing in a language you never understood. Sometimes people would remark, that

Continued on page 24

Branch Events & Activities

Trinidad Branch



Trinidad Alumni

Santamarians from Trinidad were invited to attend a reception held at the Ambassador Hotel in Port of Spain on Monday, November 15, 1999. The gathering provided a great opportunity for alumni from the 50's - 90's to meet and catch up. The event

was organized by Lucille Salloum, BComm'90. Many thanks to alumni who attended the event and donated prizes. As is the custom in Trinidad, a great time was had by all, reliving memories of Saint Mary's and enjoying good food and drink.

Alumni in Anguilla

Griffin Webster, DipEng'89 attended an alumni breakfast held in Anguilla on November 9, 1999 at the Anguilla Great House. Griffin briefed Saint Mary's University representatives attending an international recruiting fair in the country on the educational system and spoke warmly of his experiences while attending Saint Mary's. Griffin currently owns Web Links an Internet Service provider based in The Valley, Anguilla.

Ottawa

Alumni living in the nation's capital met on December 12, 1999 at Baxter's Restaurant in Ottawa to celebrate the season with a Christmas Brunch. As is the custom, seasons greetings were exchanged and a great time was had by all those in attendance. Special thanks to Jim Lovett, BSc'63, BA'64 for organizing the event.

Greeting from Grenada

Dr. Raphael Benedict How-Chung, BSc'71, Medical Officer for the Ministry of Health and the Environment in Grenada hosted Saint Mary's rep-

resentatives Keith Hotchkiss and Barry Gallant on a recent visit to Grenada. Thanks to Dr. How-Chung for providing such warm hospitality.



(L to R) Keith Hotchkiss, BA'73, Dr. Raphael Benedict How-Chung, BSc'71 and Barry Gallant, BA88, BEd'89, MEd'93

See You In St. Lucia



(L to R) Shermaine Glasgow, BSc'96, Lurline Cumberpatch, BComm'98, Barry Gallant, BA'88, BEd'89, MEd'93, Baldwin Taylor, BComm'95, Wayne Theobalds, BComm'77, Olaf Fontenelle, BComm'97

St. Lucian Alumni met on Saturday, November 13, 1999 at Spinnakers Restaurant. Barry Gallant, Director of Alumni and Keith Hotchkiss, Director of Student Services attended the Alumni Reception as part of an International Recruiting trip to St. Lucia. Alumni living in St. Lucia have been very active in assisting Saint

Mary's University in attracting students from various schools throughout the country. Once again, special thanks to Baldwin Taylor, BComm'95, Liotta Charlemagne, BComm'96 and Olaf Fontenelle, BComm'97 for their assistance during the Recruiting Fair.

Barbados Alumni Meet

Several alumni living in Barbados recently took the opportunity to get together at the Shak Shak Restaurant for an evening of fine dining (Bajan style), swapping Saint Mary's stories

and catching up with the latest news from Halifax. Thanks to Brian Robinson, BComm'83, Barbados Branch Coordinator for organizing the event.

Antigua



(L to R) Barry Gallant, BA'88, BEd'89, MEd'93, Roy Benta, BComm'87, Anthony Benta, BComm'83, Mr. Boulos, Mario Benta, BSc'84, DipEng'84, Donnie God, BComm'78, Edith O'Reilly, BComm'85, Joann Boulos-Callias, BA'82, BEd'83, MEd'89

Alumni living on the island of Antigua met on Saturday, November 6, 1999 at the beautiful home of Joann Boulos-Callias, BA'82, BEd'83, MEd'89. Everyone attending enjoyed a wonderful evening catching up on the latest news from the University, reliving memories of their days at

Saint Mary's and uniting with old friends for food and drink. Special thanks to Rudolph Davis, BA'84 and Joann Boulos-Callias for their assistance in the recruiting effort in Antigua. Special thanks also to Mr. and Mrs. Boulos and Didier Boulos-Callias for their wonderful hospitality.

Toronto Branch

Toronto and area Santamarians attended Alumni Receptions on Friday, November 26, 1999 and Saturday, November 27, 1999, to cheer on the football Huskies prior to Vanier Cup. Friday Night alumni met at the Royal York Hotel. The reception provided great opportunity to meet old friends and get ready for the big game! Head Football Coach Blake Nill and several assistant coaches made brief appearances at the reception to greet alumni.

Saturday, November 27, alumni gathered at Joe Badali's Bar for a pre-

game brunch and rally. Hundreds of alumni were on hand along with bus loads of students who made the trip from Halifax. Santamarians paraded along Front Street as the Maroon & White faithful headed for the Skydome.

Our Huskies played well and in the end were defeated in a hard fought contest by Laval University 14-10. Following the game alumni returned to Joe Badali's to greet the team at a post game reception. Congratulations to our Football Huskies and Coach Nill on a great season.



Alumni and Friends gather at Joe Badali's Bar for the Pre-Game Rally

New England Alumni Light It Up

Santamarians, past, present and future from the New England area gathered in Boston at the Tommy Leonard Room on Saturday, December 4, 1999 to celebrate the Christmas Season and the Annual Prudential Tree Lighting ceremony. The tree is a gift from the people of Nova Scotia to

Boston, given in thanks for the relief effort following the Halifax Explosion. Special thanks to the organizing committee consisting of Ron Gomes, BComm'65, Mary Lou Gomes, Kathleen Corey-Rahme, BA'81 and Cos Marandos, BA'66.



(L to R) Tom Riley, BComm'95, BA'96, Craig Bannon, BComm'93, Craig Fearon, BComm'93, Barry Gallant, BA'88, BEd'89, MEd'93 and John Francis, BComm'99



Santamarians' march down Front Street in Toronto to the Skydome for the Vanier Cup



New England Alumni



(L to R) John Francis, BComm'99, Tom Walton, BA'95, Heather Kernahan, Lisa Newton, BA'96 and Scott Purdie, BA'95



(L to R) Tim Lyons, BA'64, Maureen Cleary, Dr. Kenneth Ozmon, Assc'81, Mrs. Benson, Kalie Benson, BA'90, Joe Santosuosso, BA'64, Cos Marandos, BA'66, Judith David, BA'90, Tim Westhaver, BA'80, Blair Beed, BComm'77, Kathy Mullane, MBA'89, Jim Cleary, BA'65

Victoria Branch

Twos a few weeks before Christmas – the 29th of November to be exact, when the Victoria Alumni Branch did gather, at Spinnakers Brew Pub to feast on nachos and a yummy cheese ball platter!

It all got better, when new alumni dropped by! “Frosh Week” – Yes I was there! Two alumni discovered they lived in the same tower,

And then...

Stories of “do you remember when?”, and we all laughed. Alas the clock struck ten, but we all decided

to meet again. Early in the new millennium.

The next get together will be at Spinnakers on January 29, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. Future plans include a golf game and a beach party at the Lagoon. If you would like to help/join us/ know more alumni/ you can reach Karen Riedel at 391-1634 or glennandkaren@home.com.

Special thanks to Jennifer Paget, Keith and Fran Guinchard, Julie Buckler and Allen Noel, Robyn Quinn and Shannon Fitzpatrick.

Florida Alumni

What: Weekend Getaway and All Canadian Alumni Dinner hosted by the University of Alberta in St. Petersburg, Florida

When: Saturday, April 29, 2000

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Where: Renaissance Vinoy Resort, 501, 5th Avenue, NE, St. Petersburg, Florida

The Vinoy Resort is offering Canadian alumni a discounted price \$219.00 US per night the Weekend of April 28 and 29 but alumni must reserve their rooms prior to February 28/00. Alumni can make reservations at the Vinoy Resort by calling 1-800-HOT-ELSI. The Heritage Hotel is offering Canadian Alumni a discounted price of \$99.00 per night. Reservations must be made prior to February 29, 2000, by calling 1-800-283-7829 and mention code “UAA.”

**For information
on upcoming events in your area,
check our website at:
www.stmarys.ca
under Alumni & Friends.**

We Want You!

**...No Matter Where You Live...
Make the Saint Mary's
Alumni Connection!!**

*The Alumni Association currently
provides support to 15 branches all over
the world.*

Interested in forming or joining a chapter or branch of Saint Mary's University Alumni Association in your area? If so, we want to hear from you. Please call the Alumni Office at (902) 420-5420, facsimile (902) 420-5140, or write to us at 867 Robie Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia to obtain information on joining or establishing a branch or chapter near you.

Saint Mary's Ranks With Harvard, MIT & Brown

by Paul Fitzgerald

Watching faculty and students in the computing science department hold-up their first place plaque from the APICS Programming Competition is just like watching a sports team cherish their trophy after a championship win. “We are the champions,” someone sings during a group photo with the big prize. The trio of students traveled to Memorial University in St. John's Newfoundland to pit their skills against nine universities in the annual competition. Cedric Davies, Cherno Jagne, and Roger Zhang took first place after months of practice with faculty members in the Math and Computing Science Department.

It was a team effort from start to finish. Drs. Pawan Lingras, Stravros Konstantinidis, Paul Muir and Porter Scobey were just some of the many faculty who helped coach the team. “Our students are the best, and they are extremely educated,” says Dr. Lingras. “We came in first place because everyone worked hard, and most of all worked together as a team.”

The accomplishment speaks volumes of how much the computing science department has grown since forming two years ago.

“Last year a team we sent to APICS came in third, and this year we won the whole thing,” says Dr. Scobey. “Our program is quickly growing, and we are attracting some great students.”

The team are humble about their win. “One from Canada, one from The Gambia, and the other from China,” laughs Davies. “All of us come from different countries – it is a perfect match-up. We all get along so well, and everything just clicked for us at the competition.”

They were the only team that got all the questions right on the first try. “We looked over and saw the other teams working on problems for a second and third time,” says Jagne. “The three of us were able to work together and come through with a correct answer each time.”

Zhang adds that the intense amount of practice they underwent before the competition certainly helped. “We worked together since last June,” he says. “The faculty really spent a lot of time working with us which is just another reason why we won.”

But this wasn't the end of the line for the dynamic trio. Their win at Memorial earned them a spot at the Northeast Regional Competition of the International Collegiate Programming Contest, held at Westfield State College in Westfield, Massachusetts. It was there that the team went up against some of the world's biggest and best universities.

When the results of the competition were announced the team learned that they ranked in sixth place – just behind MIT, Harvard, RIT, Middlebury, and Brown. “The teams from the Ivy League schools started talking about us right away because we were the first ones to hand in a problem,” says Davies. “I remember hearing them say: ‘who is Saint Mary's?’”

Jagne says it was a tough competition. “There were some tricky questions,” he says. “But we spent another weekend working with one another and ended placing right up there with the best schools.”

“You couldn't ask for a better team than us,” laughs Zhang. “Everyone now knows all about Saint Mary's, and we'll see them again at next year's competition.”

Chapter & Branch Contacts

MBA CHAPTER

Ray Roberts
Residence: (902) 434-2184
Office: (902) 453-7777

TORONTO BRANCH

Aysha Adhami
Residence: (416) 443-1109
Office: (416) 842-7864

OTTAWA BRANCH

Jim Lovett
Residence: (613) 446-6249

HAMILTON/SW ONTARIO BRANCH

Guido Kelly
Residence: (905) 387-4697
Office: (905) 548-5284

VANCOUVER BRANCH

Kevin Winsor
Residence: (604) 609-0445
Office: (604) 263-2454
Dwane Brosseau
Residence: (604) 261-2614
Office: (604) 257-7396

CALGARY BRANCH

Reg MacDougall
Residence: (403) 279-8990
Office: (403) 252-7541
Kevin Biggs
Residence: (403) 278-5345

NEW BRUNSWICK BRANCH

Tom Nisbett
Residence: (506) 857-3980
Office: (506) 585-2133
Alan Hill
Residence: (506) 832-3715

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY BRANCH

Ian Morrison
Residence: (902) 681-1779
Office: (902) 585-2122
Email: ian.morrison@acadiau.ca

CAPE BRETON BRANCH

Doug MacKenzie
Residence: (902) 564-5843
Office: (902) 563-3841

NEW ENGLAND BRANCH

Cos Marandos
Residence: (603) 888-1010
Office: (603) 882-9761

BERMUDA BRANCH

Marie Joell
Residence: (441) 238-8684
Office: (809) 295-5151

HONG KONG BRANCH

Hector Wong
Residence: (852) 28720105
Office: (852) 29967628

SINGAPORE BRANCH

T.C. Cheung
Residence: 001-65-469-1328
Office: 001-65-220-1033

TRINIDAD BRANCH

Lucille Salloum
Residence: (809) 633-6892

ST. LUCIA BRANCH

Baldwin Taylor
Residence: (758) 452-8144

GRENADA BRANCH

Dr. Raphael Benedict
How-Chung
(473) 440-4709

ANGUILLA BRANCH

Griffin Webster
griff@beachtech.ai

BARBADOS BRANCH

Brian Robinson
Residence: (809) 435-6629
Office: (809) 436-7000

ANTIGUA BRANCH

Joann Boulos-Callias
(268) 461-0453

Professor Solves Century-Old Riddle

“Chemical free” discovery improves crop growth by 10 to 30%

While putting on his long white lab coat, Dr. Zhongmin Dong takes a look out the window of his laboratory on the first floor of the science building. He sees the early morning bus stop on the busy street. Doves of students pour out its doors and onto the lawn of the campus. Not even a minute passes and many of them make their way through the halls and stairways of the science building.

It sounds like a parade. Hundreds of feet stomping up the stairs and down the hallways. But Dr. Dong is not at all effected by the morning routine. He is much too excited over a unique scientific discovery he's just made.

“This is big,” he says with a bright smile. You see, the biology professor and his team of researchers have found a simple way to increase crop plant growth by 10 to 30%, which could have a very significant impact on agricultural productivity.

For over a century, scientists have been trying without success to solve the puzzle of plant growth promotion associated with legume plant rotation practice. Only about 25% of the increase in the growth of the non-legume crop can be attributed to the nitrogen left over by legume plant. The remaining 75% of the effect have eluded explanation. After conducting countless hours of research with his team over the past years, Dr. Dong has finally found the answer to the age-old riddle - and it is surprisingly simple.

“What we have found is that legume plants release hydrogen gas into soil and the hydrogen stimulates certain microbial population to grow in the soil. When we treated soil with hydrogen in the lab we found that the lab treated soil can promote plant growth as well,” he explains. “To many it probably sounds strange to

treat soil with hydrogen. Well, in fact this happens in the many legume fields, such as soybean and alfalfa. For example, in the Canadian alfalfa crop alone, we have estimated that there may be as much as 2.4 thousand million litres of H₂ gas released to Canadian agricultural soils every year. If other legume crops are considered, the national H₂ production rate may be twice as high.”

Dr. Dong says that modern agriculture relies on extensive use of fertilizers and chemical pesticides to maintain high levels of production in the face of a rising world population, expanding urbanization and land degradation. Since widespread use of agriculture chemicals has led to many environmental problems, he set out to search for a more “chemical free” method of enhancing agricultural productivity.

The experimental results to date indicate that plant growth signifi-

cantly improved as indicated by the plant's ability to grow faster, larger or more vigorously relative to a plant in an untreated environment. With Spring wheat, growth of both roots and shoot were more than 30% greater in treated soil than untreated soil, and the head production was advanced by a few days. Similar growth results were obtained with barley, soybean and cannola. The natural substance seems to act by specifically enhancing one or more plant growth-promoting rhizobacteria which then enhanced plant growth.

“This is great news,” he says. “We not only have a better understanding of benefits from rotation with legume plants but also have a new, more environmental friendly way to promote plant growth. This could have a huge impact on agriculture of the entire world.”

While everyone will be in their regular mode in the halls and class-



Dr. Zhongmin Dong

rooms of the science building today, Dr. Dong will be on cloud nine for a while to come. But then again, with a big find like his, feeling good comes with the territory.

Looking to Relax After a Long Work Week?



The Halifax Chapter of the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association
presents

“First Fridays at the Crow”



- Where: Split Crow Pub, 1855 Granville Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia
- When: First Friday of each month commencing Friday, March 3, 2000
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm (April 7 - May 5)
- Why: Official gathering place for Saint Mary's Alumni and Friends



Mobility



From cellular, paging, and wireless data,
MTT Mobility is the wireless company that
provides you with the communications
solutions to enhance your work and life style.

For more information on any MTT Mobility service
or for the location of the dealer nearest you, just
call our Customer Service Centre.



From here. To everywhere.™

453 CELL (2355) in Halifax 1 800 222 7074 toll-free www.mttmobility.mtt.ca

For 54 years Ken Reardon, Sr, HS'48, has been playing Tennis.

Ken Reardon, HS'48, was 18 years of age when he first stepped onto the tennis court and has been in the sport for 54 years. He has played in numerous tournaments at the local and provincial levels. Ken has performed in many competitions on the national plateau, and has represented Canada in many world championship events.

At the age of 72, Ken is still as competitive as ever. He was recently in Vancouver for the national championships, attempting to qualify for the 70 and over age category for another experience in South Africa next spring. He says it will be extremely tough this year with two top players in Canada moving into the 70 age group. They automatically go into Ken's category because they have won several world championships at different levels. He has been at the world championships seven times, starting with the 55s category. Ken says he was extremely proud to go and represent Canada, particularly the first few times he went. Before he got involved in tennis,

Ken was in baseball, hockey, rowing and football. The tennis started when he was 18 years of age when the Northwest Arm Rowing Club put in tennis courts that year. His tennis was limited at first because he was still putting in a lot of time at rowing and paddling. As well, Ken was busy with his studies at Saint Mary's High School and Saint Mary's University and then on to Dalhousie and the Technical College where he obtained his engineering degree. He played tennis for Dal and Tech during his University days. Most of Ken's tennis was played in Nova Scotia but he did play in the nationals. He was successful provincially. Ken was provincial runner-up a number of times and won the doubles provincially a number of times. The last year the Eastern Canadian tournament was played, he won it. Reardon a long-time business man in the metro area, has enjoyed his many years in the game. He and his wife Joyce of 47 years and also a tennis player raised six daughters and two sons, who had all played tennis at one time or another.

Peter Murphy – “I love this work with a passion”

by Ann Graham Walker

“I love this work with a passion,” says Saint Mary's historian Peter Murphy. “Even when I was eight or nine years old, I would go straight from school to the library, where I was a regular part of the furniture. You could count on me being there, hour after hour, doing my research.”

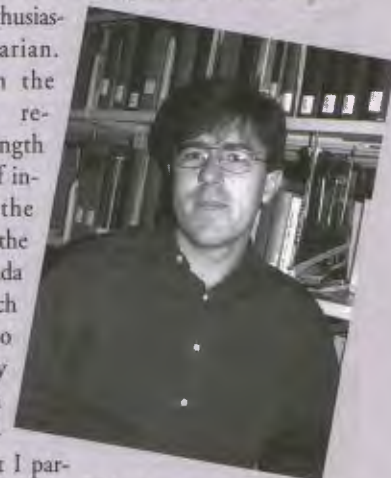
Not everyone who loves history gets to earn their living that way, but Murphy has never lost sight of his goal. After a Bachelor of Arts in History from the University of New Brunswick he pursued a Master of Arts in Atlantic Canada Studies, focusing on Irish immigration to Atlantic Canada – his lifelong interest. He has worked as an archivist and a historical researcher, earned a Governor General's Award for his Master's thesis, and has published two books. He is also an enthusiastic Santamarian.

“Aside from the university's renowned strength in my area of interest, and the flexibility of the Atlantic Canada program which allowed me to focus very closely on Irish immigration, what I particularly valued at Saint Mary's was the extraordinary degree of individual attention I received here,” he says. “I had not come across that in a university before.”

His research into Saint Mary's history has taken him to Ireland, to Toronto, not to mention the time spent in libraries and archives both here and in New England. “I'm finding the answers to some questions people have been asking for years.”

Piecing together history is not a job that comes with danger pay – but it certainly is challenging. Key parts of the puzzle can be lost in obscurity, only to pop forward unexpectedly where and when you least expect to find them. Some of the most interesting fragments are often not documented at all – and so goes the race to capture living memory before it is too late.

“Right now there are a lot of gaps in the history of this University,” he says. “My job is to make the picture complete.”



Key Dates In The History Of Saint Mary's

1802 Father Edmund Burke establishes a college for Catholic boys in the rectory of Saint Peter's Church, corner of Spring Garden Road and Barrington Street.

1820 Father Burke dies and the college ceases operation.

1839 A group of Catholic laymen revive Father Burke's college as Saint Mary's Seminary.

1841 “Saint Mary's College” is incorporated and given degree-granting powers.

1868-1876 Saint Mary's is administered by the Christian Brothers of Saint John the Baptist de la Salle.

1881 Saint Mary's College closes due to a lack of funding.

1903 The Archdiocese of Halifax reopens Saint Mary's College at Windsor Street and Quinpool Road.

1913-1940 The College is administered by the Irish Christian Brothers.

1940 The Upper Canada Province of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) assumes control of Saint Mary's.

1951 The college moves to the McNally Building on Robie Street.

1970 Administration of Saint Mary's transfers to a lay board of governors, and the Jesuits are replaced by secular staff.

1971 Loyola Academic and Residence Complex opens.

1976 The Patrick Power Library opens.

1987 The Tower opens.

1998 The Sobey Building opens.

“Lets do this one for Larry”

Huskies vow to return to the “big one”

by Paul Fitzgerald

The giant KFC bucket that sits high above Toronto’s Lamport Stadium blinks a bright red. There is a cold, icy breeze coming off Lake Ontario quickly reminding one that November will soon be over. No more regular season games for university football, nor play-off games for that matter. This is the end of the line, where two teams meet to play the game of all games – the Vanier Cup. Someone goes home a winner, and the other a loser.

Around the stadium are the old, abandoned Massey-Ferguson buildings that look as if they could almost fall apart at any minute. Their bricks are fading in colour, their windows dark from the brownish dust that has settled on them over the years. It’s a quiet part of town that seems so haunted with stories from a century gone by, and yet still rich with unique character.

For a minute the hustle and bustle of a city with over three million seems so far away. But look up – the bright lights from the downtown skyscrapers and CN Tower are in clear view just a stone’s throw away from Lamport Stadium, the place any university football club has to pass just days before entering the monstrous Skydome to play “the big one.”

“This is it,” says an enthusiastic Larry Uteck who walks out from the stadium’s main tunnel to have a look at the team. It is just three days until game time. “Not too many kids get the chance to play in the Vanier Cup. We are proud, and they should be proud.”

Under the bright stadium lights, and in clear view of the droves of film cameras on the sidelines are the players working on their strategic plays to employ against Laval. Their is an intense amount of emotion in the air during the first practice on the big city soil.

But the emotion for this team goes a little further than one may expect. You see, the Huskies have dedicated their entire season to Larry, who earlier this year announced that doctors had diagnosed him with ALS, or Lou Gehrig’s Disease. Many on campus, alumni around the world, and sports fans and athletes across Canada were shocked to learn that he would now be faced with such a challenge.

Who would have ever thought that a man who accomplished so much before age forty-five would now have to face life like this. It’s Larry – the well known American football athlete from Colorado State University, the CFL star football player in the late 1970s and early 1980s, and the one who’s been so instrumental in building a dynamic football program at Saint Mary’s. In fact during his days as coach for the Huskies, he took his boys to many Atlantic Bowls and even three Vanier Cups, achievements simply unheard of among university football coaches in Canada.

But despite his illness, Larry carries on like normal, making everyday count and always has a smile on his face. His wife Sue puts it best: “He’s Larry, always one to fight, and never one to ask for help.”

The players on Lamport’s turf are



Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, OC, President of Saint Mary’s, celebrates with Brian Carter and Paul Flemming.

grateful for what he’s done for them. Many acknowledge him in the stands, taking a moment to give a thumbs up or wave, and then quickly returning to their spot in practice. His eyes are glowing with joy.

He knows them all very well. After all he was the one who traveled across Canada to find most of them in their home towns, wearing their high school jerseys and curious as to what university they should attend to play ball. He convinced them to take their sport of passion to Saint Mary’s – probably the best words of advice they’ll ever receive in their entire careers. The odds of a university football player seeing a Vanier Cup are slim.

They admire him so much as both an athlete and person that just after

beating the Waterloo Warriors in the Atlantic Bowl the weekend before, they paraded the large trophy to him on the Tower Sports Complex steps.

“This is for you,” says football player Charlie Toth, handing the trophy over to a teary eyed Larry, so proud that his boys would win and think of him at the same time. “Thank you,” he says whipping the tears from his face. This moment was seen by millions across Canada on TSN. And during Vanier Cup week, television media across the nation repeatedly show this touching clip.

So much is now on the line for the team. The Huskies have not taken the Vanier Cup home since 1973, and to win the “big one” for Larry would be so sweet that they could just taste it.

“We’re going to win guys, there’s



Students are thrilled with the Atlantic Bowl win. Hundreds of them boarded buses, cars and airplanes to see their team in action at the Vanier Cup.



Just after winning the Atlantic Bowl, players paraded the large trophy to an emotional Larry Uleck on The Tower Sports complex steps.

just no two ways about it," shouts one player on the bus leaving Lampport Stadium. The entire team gives a loud roar in response.

It's only the first night in town and already the media have set up an impromptu media centre in the lobby of Toronto's Westin Harbour Castle. The bus parks out front of the hotel and the players, all exhausted from three hours of practice, are now under the bright lights from the TV cameras that want to feed the viewers at home with more about Saturday's game.

By the next morning the media are calling Saint Mary's the "underdogs," the team that will loose to Laval by 30 points, perhaps more. That afternoon the media cram into the Westin's press room to hear Huskies head football coach Blake Nill address the skepticism towards his team.

"We can go into Saturday's game being the underdog, I am totally fine with that," says Nill. "We have a superb team with a great offense and defense. We have a tremendous amount of talent. Everyone will see what we're all about come game time."

Soon after the team boards the bus to give Lampport Stadium some more wear and tear. For three hours Blake and his coaches have their players work on just about every play imaginable.

With his dark sunglasses and long overcoat, Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon,

OC, President of Saint Mary's walks around the stadium to see how the team looks. "I'm impressed," he says smiling. "I am just so pleased that we have made it to the Vanier Cup. This is one of the most exciting seasons we've ever had, and it's great to see these guys playing the 'big one.'"

The team also has an enormous amount of respect for Canada's longest serving president. "Hey, Dr. Ozmon, don't worry about a thing, we are ready for this game," shouts one player from mid field. Dr. Ozmon smiles, and gives a thumbs up in response.

Just after practice finishes, the team puts on their suits for the CIAU awards banquet to honour university football players from across Canada. The room is abuzz with talk about the game. "Is all the media speculation true: will Laval win by thirty points or more?" This was the million dollar question of the night.

"We didn't show up here to lose," says a confident quarterback, Ryan Jones just as dinner is being served.

The players put the talk aside to applaud Linebacker Josh Tavares who has made the CIAU First Team, and is a nominee for the Outstanding Defensive Player of the Year. Guard Josh Salmas made the CIAU Second Team, and Lineman Brad Chalmers is announced as a nominee for the Outstanding Lineman of the year.

But the excitement of everything is turned up a few notches just one



Blake Nill, Head Coach of the Huskies, is this year's recipient of the Frank Tindale Trophy as coach of the year by the CIAU. He is joined by his assistant coaches. They are: Andrew Conrad, Larry Stewart, Colin Bush, Steve Sumasah, Andrew Williams, Sean Marriott, Gordon Beattie, Ted MacLean, Steve Sarty, Paul Mason and Paul Frlan.

day before the "big one."

Today the team will not travel to Lampport. This is the last practice and the only one in the Skydome. The bus today won't be making any twists and turns around the streets where the grim Massey-Ferguson buildings stand. Instead they pass the gigantic glass skyscrapers and roads and sidewalks filled with Torontonians in their regular work routine.

The usual chitter-chatter on the bus is now gone. It's so silent that one could easily hear a pin drop. The feeling has finally sunk in that within hours the team will be putting on their jerseys and ready for play under the Skydome lights.

The bus drives slowly down the ramp and through the large doors of the 55,000 seat stadium. Many players are in awe at the size of the facility. Inside the Toronto Argonauts dressing room players get ready for practice. The large television on the dressing room wall shows a broadcaster providing a synopsis of tomorrow's game. "Many are predicting the Laval will walk all over Saint Mary's," says the broadcaster. A few players left in the room ignore the commentary. They charge out onto the Skydome's turf, full of confidence.

"Come on, lets win this whole damn thing," players shout to one another on the field.

"We are going to beat you... Come on Laval, we were ready to play you years ago," are more words echoed throughout the empty stadium.

The only other people there at the last practice were media from all across Canada on the sidelines, having one last look at the "underdogs."

And they look just fine.

"We're excited about tomorrow's game," Blake tells a packed room that afternoon on the CIAU's second awards banquet of the week. Nill just received the CIAU Frank Tindale Trophy as Coach of the year.

"Receiving this award is truly an honour," says Blake. "But I give full credit to my family, the entire team, and all the coaches. All of us have worked hard in making our football program one of the best in Canada."

But Larry, who sat with his wife Sue at the banquet, is given the biggest award of them all. It's at this banquet that the CIAU dedicates this Vanier Cup to Larry. Just seconds after the announcement is made, the entire room stands and applauds him. His wife Sue leans over to give him a big hug.

Soon the day turns into night, and it was time for the team to get some rest. The game was getting closer and the feeling of excitement, anxiety and pride are all seen in the players eyes.

But for hundreds of university

alumni, the night before a game like this means a cause for celebration on the top floor of Toronto's elaborate Royal York Hotel. Entering the grand-old facility, one quickly realizes that it's time to have fun, catch up with old friends and keep one thing in mind: It isn't too often that our football club goes to the "big one," so enjoy it while it lasts.

So cheers and beers are the main orders of the night. The long stream of alumni pouring into the room, giving their high-five's, are from all generations. People like Dr. Michael Larsen, David Sykes, Richard O'Hagan, Don Keleher, Chuck Bridges, Scott Purdie, Ron and Mary-Lou Gomes, James Dodds, Tom Riley, Paul Meek and wife Kelly (MacDonald), Perry Marchese, Allyson Bailey, Guido Kelly, Aisha Adhami, Vern Creighton, Cathy Mullane, Cindy Joe, Gus Karouzakis, Craig Fearon, Terry Klironomos and John Francis. Both Charlie Toth's and Steve Morley's parents even make it out to the pep-rally that lasts well into the evening.

But on game day, the regular flow of traffic and people on the streets of Toronto's downtown core are hit with a wave of Maroon and White colours, certainly something the uptight city isn't used to. Joe Badali's, a local watering hole just a few blocks from the Skydome is the meeting place for Santamarians.

Buses and car loads of students from Halifax have just arrived. Almost a full day on the road, rest was something for some other day. Today it's game day.

Even a large number of faculty and staff boarded planes to see the big game. Dr. Wayne Grennan, Dr. Colin Dodds, Gabrielle Morrison, Dan Stone, Kim Squires, Murray Wilson, Madeleine Lefebvre, Barry Gallant, BJ Frenette, and Lori Forbes are just a handful of excited fans.

A Saint Mary's parade forms down Front Street, and everyone makes their way into the Skydome. Flags and banners are held high, and the thousands of fans with maroon and white coloured

faces jump to their feet as the Huskies hit the field.

This is it. This is the "big one." The one we hadn't won since 1973, and most of all the one for Larry, who stands in a box watching his boys down below, just like he did at Lamport Stadium, and hundreds of times as coach of the team.

The team is razor sharp, and ready for an exciting ball game. The team's defense puts a lock on Laval, and the offense does just about everything to move the ball down field. It's the Huskies at their best.

Ryan Jones completes 20-of-32 for 251 yards and delivers the ball to seven different receivers. Jay Currie makes six catches for 79 yards. But Laval also plays tough. Both Dean Jones and Luis Perez just can't get their normal long runs. Perez manages 13 carries for 70- yards and Jones 48 yards on 10 tries.

But the massive clock in the Skydome hits zero, and the score is now final - 14 to 10 for Laval. No more chances to get the ball back and make a touchdown. It's final, the "underdogs" lost a squeaker of a game.

Quebec fans roar with excitement to see their team hold up the Vanier Cup. On the other side of the field Huskies players kneel



Alumnus Nina Skarstad and student Heidi Bennett at the alumni function in Toronto.

down, some crying, and others staring in disarray at the score that now flashes on the big jumbo-tron. The game is now over and there is nothing anybody can do to change things.

"People are writing us off, they might as well have handed out the trophy a few weeks ago," says Nill to a large group of reporters in mid field. "But we showed the rest of this country we are a quality football program, that we can play football with anybody in this country."

While Laval celebrates, Huskies players slowly make their way off the field, many devastated over the loss. Dr. Ozmon and his wife Elizabeth congratulate all of the players for a great season.

But take your eyes off the field and look up for a second. There's Larry. His smile is seen from way

down here. He gives a big, big long wave.

The team played the game for him and lost. One would almost swear that looking at him way up there that they won.

But you see Larry knows all about winning and losing. He's played and coached football for years, and today is just another game. He knows the Huskies will soon return to play the "big one."

It's young team, full of energy and hopes of winning it all.

And Larry will be there to see it all again. The old Massey-Ferguson buildings will sit quietly and wait another year for his return.

He'll be the first one to come out of Lamport Stadium's tunnel with that look of excitement in his eyes.

Next time he and the team will travel home with more than just memories. They'll have the Vanier Cup.



Melanie Steele, Cindy Joe and Tina Paterson join fellow alumni in a pep rally just an hour before the big game.

**Where in the world
have you been?**

Your WUSC friends
are looking for you.



World
University
Service of
Canada

Join us
to celebrate
IYV 2001
the International
Year of Volunteers

communications@wusc.ca
www.wusc.ca 1-800-267-8699

Knowledge for an equitable world

Saint Mary's University Sets Milestone With New Ph.D. Program

by Ann Graham Walker

Saint Mary's University has launched a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) program in Business Administration (Management), the first doctoral business program in Atlantic Canada.

Saint Mary's University President, Dr. Kenneth Ozmon, OC, welcomes the opportunity to address the worldwide need for superior business minds. "The new program will add a strong research component to the higher education of our next generation of business leaders," Dr. Ozmon says. "Saint Mary's is proud to take this bold step."

Nova Scotia Education Minister, the Hon. Jane Purves, calls the Ph.D. program in Business Administration a milestone for the institution and the region. "It's exciting that Atlantic Canada's first Ph.D. in Business Administration is here in Nova Scotia," says Minister Purves. "I'm confident that Saint Mary's new program will make significant contributions to management in both the private and public sectors."

The Ph.D. program will initially concentrate on human resource management and organizational behaviour. In the future, programs specialties may be added in other areas, such as accounting, finance, mar-

keting, international business and information management. Enquiries have already begun coming in from prospective students around the world and competition for the limited spaces is expected to be stiff.

Dr. John Chamard, Chairman of the Saint Mary's Department of Management, was the Acting Director of the Ph.D. program until the recent appointment of Dr. Kevin

"The addition of a Ph.D is a powerful investment in our human resources."

Kelloway. "The new program has been carefully planned with a balance of course work and independent research," says Dr. Chamard. "Candidates will have to free up their summers, but for the remainder of the year they will be able to pursue their regular jobs. We believe there is a global market for this type of program."

Saint Mary's has a track record of excellence in training business leaders, with the oldest and largest Commerce program in Atlantic Canada. The University offers programs at the Bachelor (B.Comm)

and Master (MBA) level – programs that have done much to raise the level of professional and executive development in the region. The addition of a Ph.D program will further enhance Saint Mary's reputation, as well as enabling talented students set the highest goals for themselves in a competitive world market.

The PH.D program is being welcomed by the corporate sector. "MTT is committed to excellence in the telecommunications industry," says MTT Vice-President of Sales, Joan Penney. "To achieve this level of excellence requires a highly educated workforce, particularly in the area of business and information technology. MTT congratulates Saint Mary's for its commitment to providing educational opportunities for business people to further develop in the areas of human resource management and organizational behaviour, and looks forward to the expansion of the Ph.D program in the future."

Peter O'Brien, the Vice President Atlantic of the Canadian Federation of Independent Business attended the Ph.D launching ceremonies. "A program such as this provides strategic options for business leaders in the region," he said. "The addition of a Ph.D is a powerful investment in our human resources."

Jack Keith, Senior Vice President for the Bank of Nova Scotia was very direct in his enthusiasm. "To attract new business to Nova Scotia, it is absolutely essential that we have Centres of Excellence in Business Education. Well done Saint Mary's!"

The Frank H. Sobe Faculty of Commerce is Atlantic Canada's Leading Business School. The Ph.D program will admit its first class of six students in the spring of this year.

1999-2000 Alumni Executive

President, Tim Westhaver, BA'80
Vice President, Sales, MacNab Print

Vice-President, Mike Burgoyne, BComm'93
Sales Representative, Pitney Bowes

Past President, Ann MacBilivary, BComm'71, MBA'95, Coordinator of Tourism & Hospitality Management Program, Mount Saint Vincent University

Johanne Caron, BEd'84
Human Resources Consultant, Dept. of Community Services

Ellen Farrell, MBA'88
Faculty Member, Saint Mary's University and President of Farrell Communications

Darcy Gray, DipEng'78, BSc'78
Darcy J. Gray & Associates

Christine Greening, BComm'92
Pharmaceutical Representative, Parke Davis

Heather Harris, BA'70, MA'72
Teacher/Writer

Kirk Higgins, BComm'83
Partner, White Burgess Langille Inman

Lisa Jackson, BA'88
Technological Support Section
Halifax Regional Police

Sherri-Lynn Murray, BA'84
Social Worker, QEII Health Sciences Centre

Jamie O'Neill, BComm'92
Chartered Accountant, KPMG

Frank Robinson, BSc'86
Director of Health & Safety, Stevens Group

Kyla MacDonald/Gavin Beck
Co-Presidents, SMU Ambassadors,
Student Alumni Association

Alumni Representatives on the Board of Governors

Brian Downie, BA'78
Partner, Cox, Hanson, O'Reilly Matheson

Pat Forbes, MBA'96
President, Forbes Group Ltd.

Peter Halpin, BA'73
Vice President, Public Relations Division
Corporate Communications Ltd.

Larry Hood, BComm'70, CA
Partner, KPMG

William Edward (Ned) Kelleher, BComm'62
Associate Professor, Mount Saint Vincent University
Part-Time, Saint Mary's University

Gracey Southwell, BComm'80
Director of Finance & Corporate Services, MTT



WIN U99! WIN U99! WIN U99!

Krista Lettues never thought of herself as being particularly lucky. Happily married, yes, with a job she enjoys, and expecting her first child in May – but lucky? The only thing she had ever won before was a cheap plastic “sports car” on a gas station scratch card, and a telephone covered with Shell stickers. That was twelve years ago.

So when she and her husband Randy drove by the U99 house in Clayton Park on the weekend of her 31st birthday, and Randy bought her a birthday ticket, she didn't think much about it. No premonitions, or tingling feelings of certainty. Just a ticket stub in her purse, and a pleasant afternoon spent oohing and aahing over the large split-entry house, the whirlpool bath, the dark oak floors and central vacuum system. “It's nice to dream,” she smiles.

Then came Toni Croft's phone call. “Are you sitting down?” she asked before breaking the news. Krista had won the Saint Mary's U99 house – a \$250,000 dream home on a corner lot. “I didn't believe it!” Krista recalls. “I was trying to be cool.”

Krista and Randy are still trying to decide whether to move into their new mansion, or sell it. They have a home in Highland Park, not so luxurious, “but we really like our neighbours,” Krista says.

Krista and Randy Lettues are not the only winners in the U99 Lottery. The annual event raises hundreds of thousands of dollars for student scholarships and the Atlantic Centre for or Research, Access and Support for Students with Disabilities.

The two main benefactors of the House Lottery revenues are the Saint Mary's Atlantic Centre of Support for Disabled Students and the Athletics & Recreation Department. Each of these departments relies heavily on the House Lottery as one of their main sources of funding to meet their current needs.

Through the services provided by the Atlantic Centre, there are 120 students attending Saint Mary's who would not have had the opportunity to attend university. Saint Mary's is the only university in Canada with a full-time sign language interpreter and career placement assistance for disabled students.

Saint Mary's Atlantic Centre offers a variety of services for disabled students including, individualized counselling, academic support (ASL /English interpreting, notetaking, alternative exam accommodations, access to specialized technology, assistance from the tape library) and advocacy.



Krista Lettues with husband Randy.

FOUR YEARS AFTER GRADUATION,

PRESENTS ARE STILL ROLLING IN.

Even if you got your undergraduate degree up to **4** years ago, you still qualify for our Grad Rebates.

\$1000
CASH BACK
On any 2000 Toyota RAV4 or Toyota Tacoma.

Offer applies to graduates with an undergraduate degree or diploma who have graduated from college, university, nursing school or accredited community college within the last **4** years, or those who will graduate within four months. See dealer for complete details.

\$750
CASH BACK
On any 2000 Toyota Echo or Toyota Corolla.

A great opportunity to try our revolutionary new Toyota Echo

\$500 REBATE
CASH BACK
On all other new Toyota vehicles or Toyota certified used vehicles.



OREGAN'S
LEXUS TOYOTA
402 Windmill Road, Dartmouth
464-9550 or Toll Free 1-800-464-0222
www.oregans.com

TOYOTA
HALIFAX, NS EAST
3461 Kemport Road, Halifax
463-2331 Toll Free: 1-888-806-7077
www.toyotaeast.com

See them yourself...
at your Metro
TOYOTA
Dealers

Saint Mary's University

Alumni

Awards of Excellence



Call for Nominations

Distinguished Community Service Award...

This award is presented when merited to a member of the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association who has made an outstanding achievement and/or contribution in one of the following areas:

- his/her own community
- to Saint Mary's University
- his/her own discipline

Past Recipients include:

Senator Richard Donahoe, 1984
Edmund Morris, 1985
Harold Beazley, 1986
Elizabeth Chard, 1988
Paul Gouett, 1989
Ronald Downie, 1990
J. Philip Vaughan, 1991
Karen Henderson, 1992
Fred MacGillivray, 1993
Terry Kelly, 1995
Joseph Bishara, 1997
Paul Goodman, 1998
Terry Donahoe, 1999

Deadline for Nomination submission is April 14, 2000. Please submit a letter of recommendation and a biography of the nominee to:

Awards Committee
Saint Mary's University Alumni Association
867 Robie Street
Halifax, NS B3H 3C3
Tel: (902)420-5420 or Fax: (902)420-5140

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

The Father William A. Stewart, S.J. Medal for Teaching was established in 1983 by the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association and the Saint Mary's University Faculty Union. A gold medal and monetary award is presented to the winner of this highly respected award.

Previous Winners Include:

1983 - David Hope	1992 - Frank Phillips
1984 - Dermot Mulrooney	1993 - Janet Baker
1985 - David Perrier	1994 - Cyril Byrne
1986 - John Young	1995 - Nicola Young
1987 - Edward McBride	1996 - Ronald Landes
1988 - Jack Ginsburg	1997 - Paul Muir
1989 - Peter March	1998 - David Cone
1990 - Andrew Seaman	1999 - Robert Singer
1991 - Philip Street	

Each Nomination Must:

- be supported by the names of at least ten (10) people from among faculty, alumni or students
- include a statement of 100 words in support of the nomination
- include the names of two references which consists of a faculty member and a current or former student.

The award is open to faculty members who have completed at least five (5) years of teaching service at Saint Mary's University.

All Nominations Must be received by the Awards Committee no later than March 17, 2000.

Awards Committee
Saint Mary's University Alumni Association
867 Robie Street
Halifax, NS B3H 3C3
Tel: (902) 420-5420 or Fax: (902) 420-5140

Associate Membership...

Associate Membership to the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association is given to those individuals who have rendered significant service to Saint Mary's University and are not alumni of the University.

All nominations must be approved by the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association Executive. Successful candidates shall be announced at the Annual General Meeting in June, 2000.

Previous Recipients Include:

Owen Carrigan	Chris Larsen	Thomas A. Sweet
Elizabeth A. Chard	Jean Larsen	Larry Uteck
Roy W. Clements	Denis LeClaire	Fred Voeltz
Verdon Creighton	Dermot L. Mulrooney	Ann M. White
Ralph Curran	Guy L. Noel	Doug Wright
Paul Dixon	Kenneth L. Ozmon	Luigi Zavarella
Colin Dodds	Elizabeth A. Ozmon	
Frank P. Dougherty	Mary Sun	

Deadline for submissions is April 14, 2000

Nominations for Associate Membership along with supporting documentation must be sent to:

Awards Committee
Saint Mary's University Alumni Association
867 Robie Street
Halifax, NS B3H 3C3
Tel: (902) 420-5420 or Fax: (902) 420-5140

nominations

Award Nomination Form

Select the award for which you wish to nominate this person

- Distinguished Community Service Award
- Father William A. Stewart, S.J. Medal for Teaching
- Associate Membership
- Alumni Volunteer Award

Alumni Volunteer Awards

The Alumni Volunteer Award(s) is granted when merited to individuals who have provided outstanding service to the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association on a voluntary basis. The individuals recognized with the Alumni Volunteer Award are inspirations to Saint Mary's University and its Alumni Association.

The Award (s) is presented at the Alumni Association Annual General Meeting held in June.

Deadline for submissions is April 14, 2000.

Nominations and supporting documentation must be sent to:

Awards Committee
 Saint Mary's University Alumni Association
 867 Robie Street
 Halifax, NS B3H 3C3
 Tel: (902) 420-5420
 Fax: (902) 420-5140



Nominee Information

Please complete and return with supporting documentation.

Nominee's Name _____

Title _____

Business Address _____

Postal Code _____

Business Telephone _____

Home Address _____

Postal Code _____

Home Telephone _____

SMU Alumnus? _____ Year & Degree _____

Nominator Information

Nomination Submitted by _____

Address _____

Postal Code _____

Telephone (Business) _____ (Home) _____



Saint Mary's University
 Alumni Association

Alumni Dinner 2000
*Celebrating the
 Ozmon Years*

in honour of
 Dr. Kenneth Ozmon and
 Mrs. Elizabeth Ozmon
on their retirement from
 Saint Mary's University

Date: May 27th



**Saint Mary's
 University**

Saturday, May 27th, 2000

Reception 6-7pm Sobeys Building foyer

Saint Mary's University

Dinner 7 pm Conference Hall Loyola Building

Saint Mary's University

Post-Reception 10 pm Sobeys Building foyer

Saint Mary's University

Tickets: Individual \$42.50; Tables of 8 \$320.00



For tickets and more information
 check out our website:
www.stmarys.ca/administration/alumni
 or phone (902) 420-5420

I Wonder Where They Are Now?

Continued from page 9

Canadian officials did not behave like those back home. (Draw your own conclusion about that comment.) At the lower end of the ramp, we met family and answered basic questions. Where can I go to the washroom? Where can my wife feed our children? Where is the rest of our baggage? How much longer?

Imagine that your seven-day trip has been delayed by storms and your arrival is hours out of schedule? Imagine that you have spent hours in the hall up stairs and were searched. Imagine that you saw people being locked up for something, in a cage. Imagine now that you are being told by a young Canadian that there are a few more hours left before you can finally board the train. Imagine being told that a train trip from Halifax to Toronto is almost as long as the trip from home to Gibraltar. Or if you are going to Edmonton, that is like travelling back and forth across Europe.

We answered questions, gave directions or took people over to the Red Cross nursery. Everyone was grateful for the Red Cross. Their coffee was always available at the right time, as were their cookies. They had a large area for nursing mothers and the elderly. It was through the Red Cross that I met my first wife. She would often come out into the area where I worked and asked me to come back with her to interpret for an Italian lady who was in some need or the other. Inevitably this lady was Greek and my Greek was classical Greek, a far cry from the modern language. She never could tell the difference between the Greek language and the Italian. Everyone at The Port knew, liked and appreciated the care and contribution of the Red Cross.

From time to time we had to run interference between the newly arrived and some level of bureaucrat. "Why did they take my wine from me?" "I do not understand that my papers are not in order?" These were the questions we handled during the slow times at the ramp. We offered

our services to people as they first encountered their shipped luggage below us, which had just been landed from the holds of the ship. Straps had broken, or lengths of cord were strewn all over the floor. All the contents had to be examined. Some of it was confiscated. Many of these people had seen their hand luggage taken apart upstairs and now the same was taking place here again. Important sentimental items were found to be broken or coated with oil or wine. There is no way a person could ever

ported to some new place called Ottawa, or Brampton, or Niagara Falls. But even their nerves became frayed. It might have been a long difficult voyage where you could not really play in confined rolling spaces. Now strangers were probing into your belongings. If only you could just lie down in bed for a good sleep so that tomorrow you could head into the street to kick a ball.

Depending on the size of the passenger list, CNR might lay on one complete train for the immigrants.

Most of that time for me was on my feet, trying to learn a new language or using my other languages. Hearing new dialects was often more than a challenge. But through the years we were a team.

forget the look on people's faces when they saw the contents of their baggage. They had left friends, communities and a way of life. They had left familiar smells of cooking and sounds of business. Now everything was totally unfamiliar. Precious things, remembrances of home were destroyed or partially ruined. Sometimes, people learned that dishonest stevedores or others had gone through their belongings in the old country. Truly, they were starting anew. Most of the old way of life was lost. The very old knew that they might never see Italy or Greece again. Where were they going? Why was it taking so long?

Children on the other hand looked at things as a new adventure. Naivete told them that Canada was very different and that for the moment the excitement of new surroundings was almost too much to bear. When they got to their new home it would be much like the old. Depending on how old they were nothing was about to change. A village in Sicily was imaginatively trans-

ported to some new place called Ottawa, or Brampton, or Niagara Falls. But even their nerves became frayed. It might have been a long difficult voyage where you could not really play in confined rolling spaces. Now strangers were probing into your belongings. If only you could just lie down in bed for a good sleep so that tomorrow you could head into the street to kick a ball.

Depending on the size of the passenger list, CNR might lay on one complete train for the immigrants.

That train might be split into two sections, one on either side of the baggage hall. The train itself was divided into groupings. Some cars remained together until Montreal, while others went to Toronto. That prevented confusion on embarkation and debarkation. I do remember moving through the early trains and watching people stow hand luggage in wooden racks above slatted wooded seats. (We called these cars the Colonial Cars or the Immigrant Cars.) Things were falling and getting lost. People were crying because some parts of their baggage never arrived in Halifax at all. Children were crying for a place to sleep. I can only imagine the trip after the train was joined together south of the shed and dragged along Terminal Road to the main line and a new home.

As a volunteer I often put in more than an hour or two here or there. There were long hours waiting for the vessels to dock. Sometimes we would just leave to come back tomorrow. Five or more hours were not atypical. Most of that time

for me was on my feet, trying to learn a new language or using my other languages. Hearing new dialects was often more than a challenge. But through the years we were a team. Each and every ship was met by almost the same group of people. I might have considered cutting a class or two for the sheer enjoyment of talking with people who had stories to tell.

There is nothing I would have given up doing this 'work'. But I still wonder where some of those children are now. What happened to some of the old people who had tears in their eyes from the very beginning to the very end? What of the newly born? Yes, some children were born in the Red Cross nursery on Pier 21.

This building holds countless stories. People who came here to make a new life, helped create a new definition of this country. Pier 21 undoubtedly was the first welcoming sight for some of Canada's future leaders. New York has its Statue of Liberty. That steel structure was a welcoming sight to the immigrant and was to be a symbol of life in the United States. Pier 21 was Canada's door to the new world for many. I never worked at 'The Port' during the Hungarian migration, but was it not much the same?

Any time I get back to Halifax, I have to drive along Terminal Road to just take a look. Some of the tracks are gone. The buildings are not the same anymore. But the historian in me, I was trained in history at Saint Mary's, sees back to the time when there were three lengths of passenger coaches around the buildings. Of seeing swarms of people milling about the roadway, undoubtedly saying: "So this is Canada." Of seeing the upper bridge work of the passenger liners with steam coming from their stacks and the House Flags flying in the yards. I remember seeing these sights each and ever time I visit. I wonder, where are all these people now and what kind of a contribution each made to this nation?

Oakfield Golf and Country Club

was the venue for the 1999 Saint Mary's University Alumni Golf Tournament on Thursday, August 27th. A warm and sunny day brought 175 golfers to participate in the annual event.

A Pre-Tournament reception was held at noon behind the Oakfield Golf & Country Clubhouse. A number of door prizes were handed out. Lunch was provided by Great Canadian Bagel and Hostess Frito Lay.

Special thanks to our Premier Sponsor Merrill Lynch, Event Sponsors Pepsi Cola Canada and The Daily News.

Thanks to our Hole Sponsors:

- Bank of Montreal
- Bank of Nova Scotia
- Canadian Airlines
- Great Canadian Bagel
- Grand & Toy
- Hostess Frito-Lay
- Meloche Monnex
- Oland Breweries
- Peter Mielzynski Agencies Ltd.
- Saint Mary's University Alumni Association
- Saint Mary's University Athletics & Recreation Dept.
- White Burgess Langille Inman
- Wood Motors Ford
- Xerox Canada

Many thanks to our prizes sponsors.

The day of golf was concluded with a Steak BBQ and all golfers walked away with a prize.

Register Early!
Next year's tournament will be held on Thursday, August 31, 2000 at Oakfield Golf & Country Club.



Right: The Winning Team. (L-R) Mark Dodge, John Keizer, Brian Bradbury, Mark Clarke and Brian White.



1999 Alumni Golf Tournament Committee. (L-R) Mike Burgoyne, Chris Matheson, Frank Robinson, Kelly Shannon, Al Jenkins and Kirk Higgins. Missing from photo: Barry Gallant, Jamie Welsh and Dave Sexton.



Premier Sponsor – Merrill Lynch Team – Peter Lynch, John Brodie, Brent Locke, Scott Fowler and Gord Halley.



Alumni golfers practice for the Big Tournament!



Above: Colin MacMillan, Craig Mulcahy, Chris Tait, Mark Ozon, Susan Grandy.

Above right: Alumni golfers enjoy the Pre-Tournament Reception.

Below left: Alumni golfers enjoy the Awards Banquet after a great day of golf.

Below right: Bruce Reardon, Gerald Reardon, Doug Mullenger, Tom Boudreau, Rakesh Jain.



TOWER

sports ▲ fitness ▲ energy.

Start the Millennium off right - Saint Mary's Alumni receive a 25% discount on One Year and Four Month Fitness Memberships.

See what The Tower has to offer:

- Treadmills • Stairmasters • Elliptical Crosstrainer • LifeCycles
- Personal Training • Squash/Racquetball • Studio Cycling
- Active Living Programs (Yoga, Tai Chi, Self Defense for Women)
- over 30 fitness classes/week • and more!

420-5555 • 920 Tower Rd.
Towering Above the Rest!

Snippets

Edited by
Betty Jean Frenette, Assc '92
Acting Alumni Officer

Please send us your baby or wedding photos to include in your Snippets!



'47

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"
Clifford Banks, DipEng'47

'59

Jack Flemming, DipEng, is president and CEO of Ocean Contracting, a Halifax asphalt and concrete construction company. He was presented with the 1999 APENS gold medal. This medal is awarded to a professional engineer in Nova Scotia who has excelled in his or her career and made significant contributions to the province. Jack is past president of the Nova Scotia Road Builders Association, the Construction Association of Nova Scotia and the Engineering Association.

'62

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"
Gary Baker, DipEng'62
J.A. Earle, MEd'62

'63

Camille Nadeau, DipEng, and his wife Maritalena Maramanhchinamara were recently married in Fiji.

'64

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"
Thomas D'Entremont, DipEng'64

'65

Jack Radford, BComm, is executive director of the Office of University Advancement at Ryerson University. He has been appointed interim Dean of the Faculty of Business. His term takes effect on September 27 and will extend to June 30, 2000. Jack's combination of industry and Ryerson experience along with his personal capabilities suit him very well to the task of guiding the Faculty of Business through the next several months and sustaining and supporting the four schools and their administrators as they continue along the development path that they have established over the past three years.

'66

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"
Joseph H. Callaghan, BA'66, BEd'69

'68

Paul Puma, BComm, BEd'69, was a major factor when the Saint Mary's Huskies scored their first Atlantic Bowl win in 1964. He returned to campus 35 years later to be inducted into the university's Sports Hall of Fame on October 16, 1999 during Homecoming Weekend. He spent 26 years at J.L. Ilesley High School, the last four as principal before retiring two years ago. Paul and his wife Donna have three children Dana, 30, Danny, 29 and Lea, 27.

'69

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"
John Callaghan, BA'69

John L. Murray, BA, BEd'70, was elected agent chairman of Clarica's (formerly Mutual Group) Sales Force Council, representing 3,000 agents across Canada. This position ran in 1999. The Sales Force Council celebrated its 50th year anniversary.

Wally Kozak, '69, is dealer sales manager for Univercell Airwaves, Toronto, Ontario. He is a former Huskies football player and recently attended the Vanier Cup Alumni Events in Toronto.

After graduation, **Wayne Edgar, BEd'70**, taught in Hants County for a year, but then moved on to do community development work in northern Nova Scotia until 1976, when he came back to Halifax and took the job of Executive Director of the North End Community Health Clinic. In the mid-1980s, he did part-time child welfare work and health care research while studying for a Master's degree in Public Administration at Dalhousie University. In 1989, he was field worker at St. Francis Xavier University. In 1997, he took a leave of absence from the university to serve what was to be a brief stint as Executive Director of Tatamagouche Centre, a residential

learning centre owned by the United Church of Canada. A few months later, he was offered the job permanently, and he's now been there for more than two years.

'70

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"
Jeannette M. Adair, BA'70

'71

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"
Barbara L. D'Orsay, BA'71

'72

Estelle Theriault, Q.C., BA, and her husband Richard were married in April 1999. She is public trustee for Nova Scotia. Estelle is currently the President of the NS Barristers Society 1999/2000. Richard practices law in Bridgewater at the firm of Coughlan & Coughlan. He was president of the NS Barristers Society in 1995/96.

'73

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"
Conrad J. Eidt, BComm'73

'75

Bruce J. Richards, BComm, has been elected a Fellow of The Society of Management Accountants. This prestigious national honour is awarded to CMAs, who, through their outstanding achievements, bring distinction to the management accounting profession and serve as role models for others. He is the city treasurer for the City of Saskatoon. Bruce attained his CMA designation in Saskatchewan in 1982, where he currently resides with his wife Margaret and two children, Jason and Tracy.

'76

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"
Mary C. Acres, BEd'76
Mark Badma, BA'76
Kerry L. Daigee, BA'76

'77

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"
Terence Daisley, MA'77

Neil J. LeBlanc, BComm, was re-elected MLA for Argyle on July 27, 1999. He is Minister of Finance and Minister for Business & Consumer Services.

'78

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"
Elizabeth A. Bailey, BA'78
A.E. Cameron, BComm'78

Alan J. Edwards, MBA'78
Anthony P. Eiuwen, BComm'78

'79

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"
Dane Abbott, BSc'79
Diane Cairns, BA'79
John T. Callaghan, BComm'79

Laurence DeWolfe, BA'79, was inducted as the new Minister at the Presbyterian Church of Saint David, Halifax on September 8, 1999. After leaving Saint Mary's, he graduated from the University of Toronto School of Divinity and is currently completing doctoral studies on a part-time basis in Chicago. He came to Halifax from Petrolia, Ontario where he and his wife also a Presbyterian Minister, both had congregations. They have one daughter, Meghan.

'80

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"
Jutta Dale, BA'80

'81

Peter Scriven, DipEng, and his wife Wendy (nee Connors) were married on October 16, 1999 at St. Agnes Church in Halifax. He is employed with E.C. O'Neill, Scriven and Associated Consulting Engineers, Halifax.

Gavin Giles, BA, is a partner with Green Parish Barristers and Solicitors, Halifax, NS. He received his law degree from Dalhousie Law School in 1995. Gavin was admitted to the Nova Scotia Bar in 1986 and has carried on a litigation practice since then. Since 1994, he has also served as a Chairman of the Nova Scotia Regional Assessment Appeal Court and as an Adjudicator of the Small Claims Court of Nova Scotia.

'82

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"
Veysi A. Baki, BSc'82
Jennifer Y. Camacho, BComm'82

Sharon Glynn, BComm, and her husband Chris Bennett were married on June 28, 1998. They reside in Clayton Park, Halifax, NS. Sharon established her own business in 1999 "The Web Zone" (www.thewebzone.ns.ca) specializing in website development, e-commerce and technical writing. She can be reached at sharon@thewebzone.ns.ca

'83

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"
Yvette L. Edwards, BComm'83

Janice Boyd-Drummond, BA, and her husband Kelly along with their daughters Chelsea and Sasha are now living in Aurora, Illinois. Kelly is a lineman with Henkels and McCoy and Janice is a stay-at-home Mom.

Ron S. Seney, BA, is associate chaplain and national vice president of Fellowship of Christian Peace Officers. He was elected national vice-president of FCPO Canada at their annual meeting in Toronto in September 1999.

'84

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"

Deborah Baigent, BComm'84
Christopher R. Dalley, BSc'84

After 15 years in Calgary, **Peter Richards, BSc.**, his wife Carolyn and family have relocated to Newfoundland. He is a senior consultant, Atlantic Canada Operations for Landmark Graphics Canada (a Halliburton Company). They are happy to be back in Atlantic Canada.

'85

Donna Melnick-Cipolla, is employment development consultant with the Department of Social and Public Health Services. She has been with Social and Public Health for 14 years. Donna and her husband have two children Olivia who is four and a half and she has a new baby sister Catherine Rubianne who is 22 months.

'86

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"

Miriam I. Calliste, BA'86
Dale A. D'Entremont, MA'86

'87

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"

Basil A. Abdul-Ghani, DipEng'87

Barry Fader, BComm, and his wife Jodi, daughter Marlee and son Mitchell recently moved to Windsor, Ontario. They opened a Tim Horton's franchise at 2540 Ouellette Avenue on October 5th. He said he was proud to see the Huskies in the Vanier Cup.

'88

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"

Youssef Abdul-Masih, DipEng'88
Woodrow Bailey, CCP'88
Arthur J. Ebrahim, BComm'88

H. Peter White, BSc, is now residing in Ottawa. He is engaged to Melanie K. Vindum but have not set a wedding date yet. They would like to hear from friends from SMUCAPS.

Angela Jones-Schweers, BA, and her husband Joe have two sons, Brock, 14 months and Jake, 4 years. She is an ESL teacher for Calgary Separate School Board. Joe is a pilot with Air Canada.



(L to R) Brock Schweers, 14 months and big brother Jake, 4 years.

'89

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"

Angela M. Abbott, BA'89

Griffin Webster, DipEng, currently owns Weblinks, an Internet Service provider in Anguilla, West Indies. He is currently in Trinidad where he and his wife just had a new baby girl, Amanda Lauren. She was born on November 16th and is 3.55kg and 51cm long.



Amanda Lauren Webster

'91

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"

Esape J. Ekolo, BA'91

'92

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"

Adnan Abuhajar, BSc'92
Heidi A. Achenbach, BComm'92

Peter A. Grant, BComm, and his wife Marla (nee McCutcheon) were married on June 5, 1999 in Regina, Saskatchewan. There was a small "maritime crowd" amongst the numerous western "in-laws." The couple vacationed in Alaska for three weeks with a stop over in San Francisco and Vancouver Island.

Jon Fargo, BA and his wife **Kimberly (nee Fraser), BA'93**, were married August 14, 1999 in Pictou County, NS. Members of the wedding party were fellow Santamarian Jodi Nickerson, BA, BSc and Daily News reporter Andrea MacDonald. Jon was formerly captain of the Huskies Hockey Team '91-'92, '92-'93 seasons and he played for the team for five years. They reside in Don Mills, Ontario. Jon works for Manulife Financial, Toronto as a licensing specialist and Kim is a reporter/photographer who had been working at the Pictou Advocate, Pictou, NS.



Jon Fargo and his wife Kimberly Fraser-Fargo.

'93

Colin MacMillan, BA, has ventured out from Saint Mary's where he has been working as a Computer Systems Analyst and teaching since graduation. In September, he accepted a newly created position of Web Architect with Northern States Power in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Colin says the decision to leave Nova Scotia was a difficult one, but notes that the challenges of this leading edge posting were very enticing. He sends a big hello back home and an open invitation to all his friends to visit.

Mark Grant, BA, BComm, is engaged to Heather Stewart, former part-time psychology student and Admissions Employee. He is pursuing a broad aviation career as both maintenance engineer and pilot in Vancouver. Heather is a benefits administrator for QEII hospital. The wedding is planned for August 9, 2000.

Marlene P. Swim, BA, works for the Boston Communications Group, Moncton, NB in the billings and activations department. Her husband is district manager for Nationwide/Grand Furniture.

Kenzie MacDonald, BComm, is vice president investment for Colliers International (Atlantic) Inc., Halifax, NS. He has extensive experience in the commercial real estate industry, specializing in investment sales.

Craig Bannon, BComm, is manager, international services for the Royal Bank Fi-

ancial Group which covers Atlantic Canada and Eastern Ontario. He resides in Ottawa but will be visiting Halifax about four times per year. Craig would like friends to call him at (613) 795-8701 or email him at craig.bannon@royalbank.com.

'94

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"

Therese Abouhaidar, BA'94
Elise M. Adam, BComm'94
Bimbo A. Barga, MED'94
Adama Dabo, BComm'94

'95

"We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!"

Richard M. Balan, BComm'95
Sean Cairney, BA'95

Trevor Allen, BA, and his wife Nadine (nee Grady) were married in Chester, NS on August 28, 1999. They reside in New Hazelton, B.C. where Trevor is with the RCMP. Nadine is with the Royal Bank as a sales support officer.

Paula Carmichael (nee Chabassol), BSc, and her husband Stephen were married in St. Columbia Chapel, Atlantic School of Theology, Halifax on October 2, 1999. She is the daughter of the late William Chabassol, BComm'69. Following the wedding ceremony a reception and dinner was held at the Prince George Hotel, Halifax. The couple currently reside in Calgary, Alberta where Paula is completing her residency in family medicine and Stephen is practising dentistry.

'96

Claret Marian Carvalho, BComm, is senior network engineer for MCI WorldCom in Fairfax, Virginia. She designs and troubleshoots some of the MCI WorldCom's high profile dedicated customers in its internet subsidiary Uvnet Technologies.

'97

K. Mark Nash, BComm, and his wife Tina (nee Thewaldt) of Montreal, Quebec were married on July 3, 1999 in Bermuda. The couple honeymooned in Hawaii.

Terry Buchanan, BA, is account manager for Arqana Technologies Inc., Waterloo, Ontario. He is a former Huskies football captain and recently attended the Vanier Cup game in Toronto. His wife Colleen is working at the University of Waterloo, as an Office of Research Financial Administrator. In his spare time, Terry is coaching football as a Defensive Coordinator for the Guelph Bantam (ages 17 and under) Football Team. Colleen is advisor for Guelph Junior Achievement.

In July 1998, **John Webster, BComm**,

joined The Morse Team of Merrill Lynch as an associate financial consultant. Prior to this position, he spent 7 months in Merrill Lynch's International Private Banking Group based out of London, England.

'98

Scott A. MacDonald, BSc., graduated from ITI-Information Technology Institute in April 1999. He works in Charlottesville, Virginia for a computer consulting company FDM Group Inc.

Ryan Richter, BA, is GIS specialist for DC - Development Consultants, Doylestown, Pennsylvania, USA.

Colleen Buchanan (nee Warford), BComm, is a research financial administrator at the University of Waterloo.

'99

Paul Isenor, BComm, has accepted a position in the marketing department of Great-West Life Insurance Co., Halifax.

Derek D. Stone, BComm, is owner of a computer consulting company D. Stone Computer Consulting. He has also started his own internet-based e-commerce business Stone Virtual Enterprises. You can email him at stone.enterprises@netcom.ca.

Kimberly Stright, BComm, is accounts manager with Xerox Canada Limited in Toronto.

Erin Delaney, BA and **Katie Delaney, BA**, are living & working in Dublin, Ireland. Katie works for the Bank of Ireland and Erin for the Institute of Engineers of Ireland. Katie has just returned from Venice and will be travelling to South Africa for Christmas, on to South East Asia (Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia and Singapore) en route to Australia for the Olympic Year. Erin is benefiting from her major in Irish Studies as she travels throughout Ireland. Before returning to Halifax next summer, Erin will include France, Italy, Spain and Greece to her travels.

Congratulations to the following alumni on obtaining The Certified General Accountants' Association of Nova Scotia designation. They were recognized for their achievement at the annual graduation ceremony held on October 2, 1999 in Halifax: **Nancy Lobban, BComm'88**, CGA, Overington Associates Ltd; **Michael Marquis, BComm'90**, CGA, Certified General Manager, NS Technology & Science Secretariat; **Kendall Miller, BComm'89**, CGA, Revenue Canada and **Kirk Rowe, BComm'90**, CGA, IMP Group.

MBA

After teaching at SMU for one year and receiving her MBA. **Nancy Knowlton, MBA'78**, joined Touche Ross in Calgary as an articling student. She received her CA designation in 1982. In 1987, Nancy left ToucheRoss to start SMART Technologies Inc. with her husband, David Martin. Their head office is in Calgary where they sell products throughout the world. They spend a significant amount of time travelling throughout North America as well as Asia and Europe. Nancy is director of the SMARTer Kids Foundation, a non-profit focus on education.

Earlier this year, **Brian Seamone, MBA'90**, his wife **Liz** and their son **Andrew** relocated from Vancouver to Sweden on a two-year expatriot assignment with **Boliden, AB**. Having worked in the marketing/transportation arm of the BC Mining Industry for several years, Brian is currently a senior manager in the marketing and sales department in Boliden's Stockholm office responsible for operations in several countries. His email is: brian.seamone@boliden.se

Mike Hingston, MBA'96, is an environmental engineer for the Nova Scotia Department of Environment. He did part-time oceanic research while doing his MBA, and his work required him to be at sea for 3-4 months out of the year. It was during the oceanic research that Mike played badminton at the North Pole. After graduation, there were very few jobs in chemical engineering, therefore Mike taught badminton for a year full-time in Oakville, Ontario. When he moved back to Halifax, he taught at Mount Saint Vincent coaching the co-ed badminton team starting in 1991. Mike became head coach in 1993-94. He works full time, coaches badminton at the Mount and is preparing lectures for a business course, he is teaching next term at Saint Mary's.

Linda Moxsom, EMBA'92, is executive director of the Youth Alternative Society - a non-profit organization dedicated to ensuring community based justice for youth in conflict with the law. She is also president and owner of ForceTen Direct Inc.

Michael Donelle, EMBA'99, is director of finance and administration for the National Sea Division. Since joining High Liner Foods in 1979, Michael has held increasingly senior positions in the area of finance most recently as Corporate Controller. He is a member of The Society of Management Accountants of Canada (CMA).

In July 1998, **Shawn Cleary, MBA'97**, joined the Progressive Conservative Research Office as an Economic Policy Analyst. In November 1999, he became the manager, research and caucus services for PC Research-Office of the Leader of the PC Party of Canada.

What's New?

Please help us update our records.

Are you planning a move or have you been promoted? If it's important to you, it's of interest to us. Please print clearly when you fill in this form. Feel free to include any other news items that we can share with your fellow alumni.

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____

Record # (see mailing label) _____

Maiden name _____

Student# (if applicable) _____

Address _____

Residence Telephone: _____ Office Telephone: _____

Graduation year(s) & degree(s) _____

Spouse's name _____

Residence Telephone: _____ Office Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Personal News for Snippets: _____

I would like to volunteer for Alumni activities in my area

Write, fax or email your news to us.

HOW TO REACH US

SMU What's New Line, Call Toll-free: 1-800-SMU-ALUM

Fax: (902) 420-5140 • Telephone: (902) 420-5420

Email: alumni@stmmarys.ca

Address: Saint Mary's University Alumni Office
 867 Robie Street, Halifax NS B3H 3C3

Send us your news!

Announcing...

Congratulations to the following alumni on new additions to their families.

A. Brad Benjamin, BComm '93, and his wife Sonya (nee Beaton), a daughter, Bradisha Helen, on March 21, 1999 weighing 7 lbs 4 oz. Bradisha is named after her daddie and grammie. The Benjamin family reside in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Brad is a pilot for Ministic Air. They invite friends and family to email them at: bandsbenjamin@sprint.ca.



Bradisha Helen



Khalid Morton and Mohamed Michael Diop, July 1999

Yves Bouchard, BSc'92, BA'94 and his wife **Mishelle (nee Greening), BSc'92**, a daughter, Alexandra Beth on November 10, 1999 at the IWK Grace Hospital Halifax, NS. He is a social worker with Family and Chil-

dren's Services of Lunenburg County. Mishelle is an Early Childhood Educator at Allegro Child Care Center in Halifax.

Karen Burke (nee Fleming), BComm'87, and her husband Norman, a son, Patrick James, on October 2, 1999. A brother for Matthew, 6 and Alexander, 5. Norman is employed with Jacques Whitford and Associates as a corporate accountant.

Dan Coffin, BComm'98, and his fiancée Tracy Chassion, BComm'98, a son Brian B. Coffin. The couple will be married in August 2000. They reside in Fredericton, New Brunswick.

Carol Small Diop, BA'87, and her husband Moustapha, a son Khalid Morton Diop, was born in Dakar, Senegal, on February 22, 1999 weighing 4 kg 200 g. A brother for Mohamed Michael who was born on January 16, 1996. Carole and Moustapha are still working in Dakar. Moustapha has obtained his MCSE (Microsoft Engineer) degree. Carol continues to translate in the development field. They would like to hear from old friends by email: tapha@sonatel.senet.net.

Brian R.F. Lugar, BComm'84, and his wife Donna, a daughter, Maia Elizabeth, on October 6, 1999. He is a general manager for Oxford Atlantic, a division of Oxford Properties Group, one of Canada's largest property management firms. The Lugar family reside in Bedford, NS.

Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada Become a Financial Planner

Sun Life of Canada a major Canadian Financial Corporation is looking for enthusiastic individuals to join our expanding team in NB, PEI and NS. Previous experience would be an asset however full training and development will be offered to the suitable candidate.

Competitive income.

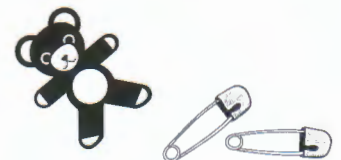
This position is suited to attract those who are serious about building a career in the Financial Services Industry.

Forward resumes to:

Sun Life of Canada, Attn: Liette Hebert
1077 St. George Blvd. Suite 101, Moncton, NB E1E 4C9

For further information, please:

Phone: (506) 857-4247 ext 226 or Fax: (506) 857-0124



IN MEMORIAM

The Saint Mary's University Alumni Association would like to convey our sincere condolences to the families of the following alumni and friends.

BRIAN ARCHIBALD KING, BA'71, died on October 4, 1999, in Roseway Hospital, Shelburne. When he graduated in 1971, from Saint Mary's University, he received the Gold "M". He found great enjoyment in his work at the Islands Park, Shelburne, NS and in other employment which allowed him to make many friends and pursue his interests in local history and photography.

JOHN FRY, attended Saint Mary's High School in 1936, died on September 1, 1999. Prior to the Second World War he was employed by Fry's Bakery Ltd., a family owned business, and Arnold's Bakery Ltd. Following the outbreak of war he was commissioned in the Canadian Army Service Corps. He served six years overseas in England, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. Mr. Fry was executive director of the March of Dimes in Nova Scotia.

BRENT GARNETT, BCOMM'95, died on September 29, 1999 in the VG Site, QEII. He was employed with Atlantic Wholesalers, Burnside office as a merchandise manager. He was involved with the Children's Wish Foundation. Brent was an avid sports enthusiast. He enjoyed playing many sports such as hockey, baseball, golf and seadoing among other things.

ANNE E. HAWKINS, BSC'76, died on October 11, 1999, at home. A strong community worker, she was for many years actively involved with the Girl Guides of Canada. Anne was an avid gardener and taught sewing at home.

GORDON DOUGLAS MADER, DIPENG '42, BSC'43, died on August 13, 1999, in St. Vincent's Guest House, at the age of 73 following a courageous battle with cancer. Following several years of employment with E.G.M. Cape & Company and Atlas Construction Company Ltd., Gordon joined the Nova Scotia Power Commission, in 1950. Starting as a construction engi-

neer, he became chief engineer in 1956, director of engineering and thermal production in 1968, and vice president in 1972. He retired as senior vice president in 1985. Gordon created G.D. Mader & Associates to provide consulting services to the electrical utility and other industries. He remained active with his company until this year.

Paul William McNeil, BComm'89, died on December 6, 1999 in the QEII. He was a member of St. Joseph's parish, Reserve Mines. At the time of his death, he was living in Halifax and was employed with Revenue Canada. He was actively involved in baseball and hockey.

Laurie Robert Patterson, BComm '72, died after a lengthy illness. He was president of Laurie Patterson Sales, he

had travelled the Maritimes and Newfoundland extensively for close to 30 years. In his early career he served as a director and sales representative with Patterson Broadcasters (CFDR and Q104), Dartmouth. An outstanding paddler in his youth he paddled and coached with Mic Mac A.A.C. crews for many years. With partner Allison Mitchell he twice won the prestigious Dartmouth Lakes ten-mile canoe race. He also served as a captain of the Dartmouth Boy's Club. With a lifelong interest in paddling he in recent years created a Paddler's Hall of Fame in his rumpus room. Photos dating back 75 years are on view.

James Richard Soy, BSc'51, DipEng'54, died on August 20, 1999. He enjoyed his life moving throughout Canada while working in

the management of heavy construction. He took special pride in his flower garden and bountiful vegetable garden. He cherished his time with his family and friends.

Joseph Volney Streeter, '48, died at the St. Joseph's Hospital in Saint John, New Brunswick on October 8, 1999. He was a lifetime resident of Saint John and Rothesay. A prominent business executive, community leader and sports enthusiast, he played an active role in the life of the city and the province for many years as the head of numerous public service organizations. At the time of his retirement in 1997, as a Vice-President of RBC Dominion Securities, he had been the company's most productive investment advisor in Atlantic Canada for over two decades.

Saint Mary's University where tradition meets the future

Where there's a Will...

After providing for the needs of loved ones, you can continue helping to build better lives and communities by including Saint Mary's University in your will. Saint Mary's will designate your bequest in your name or in another of your choice. Receipts for income tax purposes are provided.

Consider a bequest to Saint Mary's in your will...
leave a lasting legacy.

To obtain more information,
contact the Saint Mary's Development Office:
tel: 902.420.5496
fax: 902.420.5140
web: www.stmary.ca

"The good things in your life can go on living!"



**Saint Mary's
University**

Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada

Patrick Wells is TOPS in Teaching

SMU Alumnus receives Certificate of Excellence from Prime Minister

by Paul Fitzgerald

Patrick Wells is being hailed by Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien as a "hero" in education.

He is among 19 school teachers from across Canada who recently received Certificates of Excellence from the Prime Minister for outstanding work with Canadian students. According to the Prime Minister, the recipients have helped turn around 'at risk' kids, bridged gaps to learning and used information technology and other tools to connect with students.

"The teachers honoured are true heroes," says the Prime Minister. "Because they have inspired a love of learning in their students, a gift that will stay with them the rest of their lives. They have helped open doors of opportunity that might have been closed and helped set young Canadians on the path to a successful future."

Wells, who graduated from Saint Mary's with a Bachelor of Science in 1990, is head of the science department at Bishops College in St. John's, Newfoundland. He also teaches secondary and advanced placement biology.

"It was an honour to represent our school at the Prime Minister's event, something I will never forget as long as I live," says Wells. "I love teaching. I like to lead students and fellow teachers to integrate technology into the school curriculum, and I like to create and use interesting, relevant lab activities and visual learning to encourage excitement and comprehension."

He's a real hit among most of his students. "I actually look forward to biology each day. His enthusiasm and excitement is absolutely contagious."



Patrick Wells with Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien.

says one student.

"Mr. Wells' use of the Internet is exceptional. His biology page is a great source of information and entertainment," says another student.

He says that because he works in such a great school with a super staff, his use of technology in the classroom has been recognized at both the provincial and national level. Along with the Prime Minister's Award, he was also a recipient of the Online Learning Award two years ago for the project

Bishops College Intertidal Zone Field Trip. As a result, he was extended an invitation to an international technology education conference, "Tel-Ed 98" in New Orleans.

He says his life has been full of helpful people who have guided him along. People like his parents, his wife and children. He says he was also lucky to have a few more mentors along the way, one being Dr. David Cone, his former biology professor at Saint Mary's.

Johnson Incorporated, in conjunction with St. Mary's Alumni Association, is pleased to introduce to you the very latest concept in flexible Group Benefits coverage.

POP

**Preferred
Option Plan**

The **POP Plan** provides Members an excellent choice of flexible, economical and portable Benefits.

The number of people in Canada's workforce who are employed in seasonal, temporary, part-time, casual, self-employ, or contract positions is increasing each year. The Plan has been developed with the needs of these Canadians in mind. **POP** may also be appropriate as a supplementary option for full time employees and early retirees.

POP Benefits include:

- *Personal Accident.*
- *Life and Dependent Life.*
- *Health Care (Basic and Broad Coverage).*
- *Dental Care (Basic and Broad Coverage).*

And because all Benefits can be chosen independently of each other, **POP** provides you the unique opportunity to customize the Plan that's perfect for your (and your family's) needs.

Call today for more information or a
no-obligation quotation:

1-800-453-9543

Johnsons is proud to serve you, with 50 Branches at over 30 Locations across Canada. Your call will be directed to the Branch office nearest you.



Johnson Inc.
Insurance • Benefits • Administration



**Saint Mary's
University**
Alumni Association





free your mind

... while you stay in the driver's seat, with
Meloche Monnex insurance solutions.

- Automobile and home insurance
- Friendly and knowledgeable personnel
- Emergency service that never lets you down, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year
- A free personalized client card giving you access to an international assistance network
- Competitive rates and discounts along with superior product quality
- All part of Meloche Monnex insurance solutions. All designed to set you free.

Life can still be simple... You can still be free.



Win a Mercedes-Benz

4X4 ML320 Elegance. You could also
win 1 of 4 trips to Germany*.



Mercedes-Benz

NEW!

Request a no-obligation
auto insurance quote at

www.melochemonnex.com

Call 1-888-589-5656

Free your mind today.

Endorsed by:

 **Meloche Monnex**

A Canada Trust Company



**Saint Mary's
University**

Alumni Association

*For complete contest rules, please write to "free your mind... and win!"
c/o Meloche Monnex, 50 Place Crémazie, 12th Floor, Montréal H2P 1B6.

If undeliverable, return to
Saint Mary's University
Alumni Association
Halifax NS
Canada B3H 3C3

Periodicals Section, Patrick Power Library
Saint Mary's University
Halifax Nova Scotia
B3H 3C3

Bulk Rate
U.S. Postage
PAID
Calais, ME
PERMIT NO. 20