

Saint Mary's University

Fall Convocation



Sunday, 14 November 2004

O CANADA

O Canada! Our home and native land!
True patriot love in all thy sons' command.

With glowing hearts we see thee rise,
The True North strong and free!

From far and wide, O Canada,
We stand on guard for thee.

God keep our land, glorious and free!
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee,
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

Convocation is a joyous yet solemn event, bound by traditions which have evolved over centuries. It is a continuum with a formal beginning and an end. By being present here today, you have indicated your interest in being part of this academic tradition. Graduating students and their guests are therefore expected to remain in their seats until this formal ceremony has been completed in its entirety - the Chancellor of the University has officially closed Convocation and the stage party and graduates have recessed.

Order of Academic Procession

Marshal of Convocation

Graduates

Guests

Faculty

Board of Governors

Deans of Faculties

President, Deans, and Faculty Emeriti/ae

Recipients of Honorary Degrees

Vice-President, Academic and Research

President

Vice-Chancellor

The Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia

The audience is requested to stand when the Academic Procession arrives, to remain standing until the close of the Prayer of Invocation, and at the close of Convocation, to remain standing until all the Academic Procession has recessed.

Please note that names of graduates listed in this program are subject to revision.

Order of Proceedings

Processional

Welcome

O Canada

Heather Fitzpatrick, B.P.R.

Introduction of Special Guests

Invocation

Father Con Mulvihill, S.J., B.A., M.A., M.Div.

Valedictory Address

Max Haiven

Awards

The President's Award for Excellence in Research

J. Victor Owen, B.Sc., M. in Applied Sc., Ph.D.

Fellowship in the Royal Society of Canada

John G. Reid, B.A. (Hons.), M.A., Ph.D.

Symbolic Hooding and Presentation of Alumni Pin

Shu Da, B.Sc.

President's Remarks

J. Colin Dodds, B.A., B.Sc., M.A., Ph.D.

Conferral of Honorary Degrees

To be Doctor of Civil Law

F. Wayne Adams, C.M.

An outstanding leader and role model in the Black Community of
Nova Scotia.

To be Doctor of Science

George L. Barron

An eminent scientist and gifted teacher of undergraduates.

To be Doctor of Letters

Janet F. Kitz

A broadcaster and author whose research has enriched
Novascotiana.

To be Doctor of Civil Law

Chief Lawrence Paul

An extraordinary leader of the First Nations communities as well as
a most successful entrepreneur.

Convocation Address

Chief Lawrence Paul

Chief of the Millbrook First Nation and
Chairperson of the Assembly of Nova Scotian Chiefs

Conferring of Degrees, Diplomas, and Certificates

UNDERGRADUATE

Arts

Esther Enns, B.S.L., M.A., M.Ed., Ph.D., Dean of Arts, will present the
candidates.

Commerce

Alan Miciak, B.B.A., M.B.A., Ph.D., Dean of Commerce, will present
the candidates.

Science

David H. S. Richardson, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.A., D.Phil., Sc.D., will present
the candidates.

GRADUATE

Arts

Commerce

Science

William Jones, B.Sc., M.Sc., Ph.D., F.C.I.C., C. Chemistry,
Acting Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, will present the
candidates from the graduate programs in all faculties.

Induction to the President's Hall of Academic Excellence

Closing of Convocation

The Queen

Heather Fitzpatrick, B.P.R.

Recessional

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Vice-Chancellor of Saint Mary's University

Most Reverend Claude Champagne, O.M.I.

Titular Bishop of Sufasar and

Auxiliary Bishop of Halifax

Chairman of Convocation

Terrence Murphy, B.A., M.A., Ph.D.

Vice-President, Academic and Research

Marshal of Convocation

Donald J. Naulls, B.A.(Hons.), M.A., Ph.D.

Associate Dean of Arts, Associate Professor of Political Science and
Chairperson of the Academic Senate.

Marshal of Students

Heidi Taylor, B.A., C.T.E.S.L., M.Ed.

Program Manager, International Activities Office

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Appreciation

The Administration and Faculty of Saint Mary's University gratefully acknowledge the generous assistance received during the past year from individuals and groups in the form of contributions of scholarships, bursaries, prizes, and numerous and varied services.

Photography

To ensure that there is no interference with the conferring of degrees, diplomas, and certificates, and to comply with fire regulations, audience guests will not have access to the floor area in front of the stage or the aisles during the Convocation ceremony.

Fire Exits

Guests are asked to observe carefully the locations of all fire exits in the Port Royal Room

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Banks, Justin Michael	Moncton, NB
Barteaux, Stephen A.	Hampton, NB
Bengert, Charity Dawn	Cold Lake, AB
Bishop, Scott Llewellyn	Grand Falls-Windsor, NL
Brown, Stephen Curtis	North Sydney, NS
Burchall, Tara C. A.	St David's, Bermuda
Butts, Lindsey J.	Toronto, ON
Cameron, Cynthia M. (Hon. Psychology)	Dalhousie, NB
Cameron, Lisa Marie Christine	Lower Sackville, NS
Campbell, Robert Ian Micheal	St John's, NL
Christie, Jillien Rachelle	Sydney, NS
Cody-Cox, Peter Benjamin	Halifax, NS
Conrad, Michael Stewart	Dartmouth, NS
Copus, Adam M. C.	Cole Harbour, NS
Covin, Earl W.	Halifax, NS
Cox, Ryan James	Dartmouth, NS
Cromwell, Douglas A.	Saint John, NB
Cyr, Matthew Kirk	Halifax, NS
Daniel, Kwamena Gyasi	Accra, Ghana
Doucette, Katherine Ann	Fall River, NS
Doucette, Tara J.	Moncton, NB
Ehler, Thane Reginald (Hon. Atlantic Canada Studies)	Bayfield, NS
English, Jennifer L.	Woodstock, NB
Enman, Julie R.	Halifax, NS
Fawson, Craig Allan Robert	Lower Sackville, NS
Ford, Linda Anne	Halifax, NS
Frenette, Emily Etta	Amherst, NS
Garden, Jesse William	Halifax, NS
Gaudet, Ronald Auguste George (cum laude)	Nepean, ON
Gbarazia, Barineka Pius	Calgary, AB
Gillis, Jennifer Anne	Dartmouth, NS
Goddard, Christopher G	Oshawa, ON
Golding, Beth Catherine	Dartmouth, NS
Gouthro, Mary Catherine	Glace Bay, NS
Grant, Jamie (Hon. English)	New Glasgow, NS
Greeley, Ryan F.	Charlottetown, PE
Green, Joshua Trevor (Hon. Psychology)	Halifax, NS
Greer, Janice Erin	Oakville, ON
Haiven, Max Frank (Hon. Sociology: First Class)	Halifax, NS
Halliday, Jordan Hayden Paul	Moncton, NB

Harnum, Lorna Anne	Halifax, NS
Hinks, Leah Barbara	Lower Sackville, NS
Hollett, Michelle Lela (Hon. Anthropology)	Hackett's Cove, NS
Ibrahim, Nadia Lauren	Halifax, NS
James, Christopher M.	Cole Harbour, NS
Johnston, Michael James Topshee (Hon. Economics)	Sydney, NS
Jolley, Carolyn	Reserve Mines, NS
Jones, Jonathan W.	Foxboro, MA, USA
Kakamousias, Anastasia	Halifax, NS
Killom, Tess K.	Halifax, NS
LeBlanc, Derek J. (magna cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Levitt, Jeffrey Marc	East Freetown, MA, USA
MacDougall, Kathryn Jane	Brookfield, NS
MacEachern, Michelle Lynd	Sydney, NS
MacIsaac, Mark E.	Dartmouth, NS
MacIvor, Taylor Jordan	New Glasgow, NS
MacKinnon, Lana Matheson	Cole Harbour, NS
MacLean, Trevor David (Hon. English)	Sydney, NS
MacMillan, Donald Daniel	Halifax, NS
MacNeil, Elizabeth Ann	New Waterford, NS
MacSween, Brent Stephen	North Sydney, NS
Malaidack, Andrew Gordon	Dartmouth, NS
McCrea, Stuart Duncan	Halifax, NS
McCurdy, Michael William	Riverview, NB
McDonald, Erin Alexandra Melissa (Hon. Sociology)	Halifax, NS
McGlone, Anthony Earle (summa cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Melanson, Kenneth Michael	Halifax, NS
Michaelides, Rania R. M.	Cyprus
Mitchell, Jeffery J.	Prospect, NS
Moore, Lee D.	Dartmouth, NS
Mosher, William Richard	Halifax, NS
Mullins, Conrad C. P.	Corner Brook, NL
Neily, Angela Marie	Bridgewater, NS
Nelson, Paula Catherine (Hon. English)	Lower Sackville, NS
Newell, Kristy J. (Hon. Psychology)	Barrington Passage, NS
Palfreyman, Claire Elizabeth	Oakville, ON
Parker, Robert Louis	Enfield, NS
Penney, Krista Georgina Ann	Corner Brook, NL
Peters, Ross J.	Halifax, NS
Phillips, Ryan G.	Margaree, NS

Picketts, Bailey June
Pink, Julie Melissa
Power, Natasha Dawn (Hon. Int'l Development Studies)

Kensington, PE
Halifax, NS
Charlottetown, PE

Radcliffe, Christopher Mark
Rankin, Jodi D.
Rasmussen, Marie Micaela
Reddy, Paul Gordon
Ridesic, Haris
Roche, Ronda Lynn (Hon. English)
Ryan, Maria Cecile (magna cum laude)

Dartmouth, NS
Pictou, NS
Bay St Lawrence, NS
Corner Brook, NL
Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON
Dartmouth, NS
Riverview, NB

Sampson, Danielle Nichole
Sarty, Jesse Alexander
Sawlor, Johanna L.
Scanlan, Sonya Marie
Schnare, Allison D.
Seymour, Kelly Christina (Hon. Religious Studies)
Shea, Erika L.
Shearer, Shawn A.
Small, Siobhan Anna
Smith, Lori Elizabeth
Squires, Kelly Marie

Halifax, NS
Middlewood, NS
Sydney, NS
Cole Harbour, NS
Deep Cove, NS
Toronto, ON
Waterloo, ON
Bedford, NS
River John, NS
Truro, NS
Lower Sackville, NS

Taylor, Monique Sharon
Tourout, Lisa-Marie
Trueman, Michael Roderick

Middleton, NS
Mississauga, ON
Moncton, NB

Vanderlans, Daniel Robert J.
Vaughn, Erin M.

Truro, NS
Lower Sackville, NS

Walters, Dawn MacKay
Williams, Ghislaine Vivienne Anne-Marie
Wilmshurst, Nicholas E.
Wilson, Hannah
Wong, Tan

Dartmouth, NS
Dieppe Bay, St Kitts
Porter's Lake, NS
Kingston, ON
Hong Kong

Young, Charlotte Elizabeth
Youssef, Amira Nagy

Halifax, NS
Halifax, NS

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

Adams, Scott Keith Gilchrist
Allison, Robin Catherine
Amirault, Adam W.
Arabi, Omar Mohammed

Tide Head, NB
Miramichi, NB
Lower East Pubnico, NS
Halifax, NS

Bai, Jiajia	Xiamen, China
Bannister, Kurt Matthew	Sarnia, ON
Barker, Erin Nicole	Beaverbank, NS
Bell, Derek Christopher	Dartmouth, NS
Boutilier, Donna Lynn	Ottawa, ON
Branton, Christopher Patrick (Co-operative Education)	Bedford, NS
Bullard, Tamara V.	Nassau, Bahamas
Caines, Lionel Derrick	Basseterre, St Kitts
Caldwell, Jonathon Kenneth	Sydney Mines, NS
Callaghan, Matthew John	Halifax, NS
Cardoso, Jessica R.	Smith's, Bermuda
Compton, Leanne	Charlottetown, PE
Cottreau, Alyson Lynne	Yarmouth, NS
Cox, Matthew Donald	Halifax, NS
Desjardins, David W.	Nigadoo, NB
Earle-Beaubien, Allison Flora	Stephenville, NL
El-Batnigi, Heba Masoud	Palestine
Gaudette, Sean Brian Michael	Halifax, NS
Ge, Zixu	Beijing, China
George, Adlai Augustine	St John's, Antigua
Godinho, Burton S.	Halifax, NS
Gordon, David James	Bedford, NS
Gouk, Craig William	Mississauga, ON
Graham, Chad Michael	Mount Pearl, NL
Greenlaw, Yolanda Faye	Bedford, NS
Halliday, Eric Peter	Kitchener, ON
Harding, Justin Michael Raymond	Halifax, NS
Hasiuk, Helen Jayne	Halifax, NS
Hazlehurst, Steven Robert	Bedford, NS
Hebert, Catherine Mary	Dartmouth, NS
Henderson, Terrance D.	Halifax, NS
Holman, Shane M.	Truro, NS
Hurlbut, Blair Allen	Midland, ON
Hutchinson, Natalie Anne	Rothsay, NB
Ibrahim, Rema Ali	Jordan
Johnson, David Emile	Halifax, NS
Knott, Lee A.	Edmonton, AB

Liu, Qian	Kaifeng, China
Lu, Vivian Tsu-chi	Kaohsiung, Taiwan
Martin, Roxanne Arleen Aletha	St John's, Antigua
McKaig, Ryan E.	Wallaceburg, ON
Mostafa, Ahmed Mohsen	Cairo, Egypt
Neynens, Joel William	Halifax, NS
Nisbett, Alexis V. (cum laude)	Ottley's Village, St Kitts
Nutter, Brian K.	Lantz, NS
Orr, Daniel F.	Halifax, NS
Paris, Thane A.	Halifax, NS
Parkinson, Josh D.	Cornwall, ON
Plumridge, Leah Teresa (summa cum laude)	Ben Eoin, NS
Rhodenizer, Michael Gregory	Dartmouth, NS
Richards, Ayisha Amah	Roseau, Dominica
Riley, Carolyn Kathleen	Kensington, PE
Saad, Joseph H.	Beirut, Lebanon
Schofield, Adrienne O.	Brookside, NS
Sezer, Ahmet Sumer	Bursa, Turkey
Sidhom, Magued	Halifax, NS
Simon, Rodney E. A.	St John's, Antigua
Smith, Jaclyn Lea	Truro, NS
Spencer, Ryan Joseph	Lower Sackville, NS
Sutherland, Jay Donald	Hatchet Lake, NS
Sweetland, Lori L.	Clarenville, NL
Thomson, Jonathan Michael	Halifax, NS
Tobin, Crystal S. (Co-operative Education)	Fogo Island, NL
Vanderlans, Daniel Robert J.	Truro, NS
Whalen, Gillian Louise	New Minas, NS
White, Dawn Jo-Ann	Kippens, NL
Wu, Yingyi	Xiamen, China
Yang, Jing	Beijing, China
Young, Terri Dawn	Lower Sackville, NS
Zinck, R. Andrew C.	Plaster Rock, NB

CERTIFICATE OF HONOURS – COMMERCE

Neily, Jeremiah A. (Hon. Economics)

Middleton, NS

CERTIFICATE IN HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Amirault, Adam W.

Lower East Pubnico, NS

Andrews, Steven A.

Sydney River, NS

Barton, Tamara Rachael

Halifax, NS

Boutilier, Donna Lynn

Ottawa, ON

Burke, Wendy Jean

Sydney, NS

Caines, Lionel Derrick

Basseterre, St Kitts

Callaghan, Matthew John

Halifax, NS

Cottreau, Alyson Lynne

Yarmouth, NS

Cox, Matthew Donald

Halifax, NS

Dixon, Anita Annemarie

Dartmouth, NS

Earle-Beaubien, Allison Flora

Stephenville, NL

Frenette, Emily Etta

Amherst, NS

Gaudette, Sean Brian Michael

Halifax, NS

Godinho, Burton S.

Halifax, NS

Graham, Chad Michael

Mount Pearl, NL

Halliday, Eric Peter

Kitchener, ON

Hurlbut, Blair Allen

Midland, ON

Ibrahim, Rema Ali

Jordan

Jolley, Carolyn

Reserve Mines, NS

Kottegoda, Indika P.

Bedford, NS

Laing, Scott M.

Lower Sackville, NS

McCrea, Stuart Duncan

Halifax, NS

Murphy, Krista Marie Brown

Halifax, NS

Neynens, Joel William

Halifax, NS

Paris, Thane A.

Halifax, NS

Parker Kemp, Tisha

Bayside, NS

Reddy, Paul Gordon

Corner Brook, NL

Rhodenizer, Michael Gregory

Dartmouth, NS

Shearer, Shawn A.
Sidhom, Maged
Simon, Rodney E. A.
Skinner, Scott M.
Smith, Jaclyn Lea
Spencer, Ryan Joseph
Sutherland, Jay Donald

Taylor, Monique Sharon
Terpstra, Louise M.
Tobin, Crystal S.

Vanderlans, Daniel Robert J.

Whalen, Gillian Louise
White, Dawn Jo-Ann
Withrow, Laura-Katherine Jane

Young, Terri Dawn

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Andrews, Tanya Diane

Baldwin, Christopher Gregory (Hon. Geology)

Campbell, Jennifer Catherine
Cerezke, Amber Lauralee E.
Chaisson, Krista Gail (Hon. Biology)
Church, Ryan P.

Djogbenou, Nancy B. (Hon. Chemistry)

Gardiner, Kristen Ashley
Gould, Shane Anthony

Hurley, Michael V. (Co-operative Education)

Jain, Nitin (Co-operative Education)

Konesky, Andrew R.

Lawrence, Peter A.
Layne, Jamie Alexander (Co-operative Education) (cum laude)

MacDonald, Crista Lynn
MacDonald, Morgan Ernest
Maltby, Craig D.
McLeod, Jason Reid

Bedford, NS
Halifax, NS
St John's, Antigua
Dartmouth, NS
Truro, NS
Lower Sackville, NS
Hatchet Lake, NS

Middleton, NS
Goose Bay, NL
Fogo Island, NL

Truro, NS

New Minas, NS
Kippens, NL
Mineville, NS

Lower Sackville, NS

Halifax, NS

Bedford, NS

St John's, NL
Gairloch, NS
Pictou, NS
Windsor, NS

Halifax, NS

Dartmouth, NS
Lake Charlotte, NS

Cole Harbour, NS

Delhi, India

Halifax, NS

Halifax, NS
Dartmouth, NS

Lochkatrine, NS
Chester Basin, NS
Orillia, ON
Porters Lake, NS

Morash, Nancy M.	Cleveland, NS
Murphy, Kevin A. (Hon. Environmental Studies)	Bathurst, NB
Oickle, James Christopher	Ottawa, ON
Power, Brad John	Calgary, AB
Russell, John Vincent	Halifax, NS
Tripp, Conor D.	Riverview, NB
Vaughan, Aaron D.	Halifax, NS
Warren, Jason Edward	Saint John, NB
Wu, Tong	Tian Jin, China
Zimmo, Bandar J.	Palestine

DIPLOMA IN ENGINEERING

Ahmed, Omer G.	Kamlin, Sudan
Campbell, Ian M.	Halifax, NS
Doucet, Ghislain Stanislas	Meteghan Centre, NS
Drosch, Franz Davis	Goose Bay, NL
Quinlan, Mervin J.	Castries, St Lucia
SeifElNasr, Salma	Halifax, NS

DIPLOMA IN FORENSIC SCIENCES

Campbell, Jennifer Catherine	St John's, NL
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MASTER OF ARTS (ATLANTIC CANADA STUDIES)

Kierans, Kim Sandra Marie	Halifax, NS
Ludlow, Peter	Antigonish, NS
Miller, Kelly Kathleen	Cedar Falls, IA, USA
Nepean, Greg J.	Halifax, NS
Thompson, Peter James	Stellarton, NS

MASTER OF ARTS (INT'L DEVELOPMENT STUDIES)

Ampuero, Igor P.	Toronto, ON
Hayes, Peter J.	Halifax, NS
Malcolm, Gary Bruce Melanson, Holly Amberlea Lynne	Calgary, AB Winnipeg, MB
Rashid, Ahmed T. Rushton, Mark Ronald	Dhaka, Bangladesh Oxford, NS
Urbina, Maria	Burnaby, BC

MASTER OF ARTS (PHILOSOPHY)

Veinotte, Amy Marie	Mahone Bay, NS
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MASTER OF ARTS (WOMEN'S STUDIES)

Chowdhury, Farah Deebea	Rajshahi, Bangladesh
Selim, Nasheeba	Dhaka, Bangladesh

EXECUTIVE MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Rieksts, Janet Anne	Antigonish, NS
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MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

De La Fuente Rossel , Rodrigo Dosunmu, Sherifat Olayinka	São Paulo, Brazil Lagos, Nigeria
El-Darahali, Said A.	Dartmouth, NS
Gonuler, Gokce Gregori, Juliana	Istanbul, Turkey São Paulo, Brazil
Ibrahim, Ahmed M.	Glace Bay, NS
Liao, Xiaohui	Beijing, China
MacAusland, Liane A.	Halifax, NS
Smith, Kevin Benjamin Spinney, Jonathan E.	Lunenburg, NS Yarmouth, NS

Weng, Weinan
Wilkins, David Wayne

Shanghai, China
Victoria, BC

Ximenes, Antonio Cassiano

Fortaleza, Brazil

Zhou, Yuwei

Shanghai, China

MASTER OF FINANCE

Bao, Weigang

Shanghai, China

Chen, Yan Ying
Chen, Zhe

Xiamen, China
Fuzhou, China

Da, Shu
Ding, Fei
Du, Meng

Nan Tong, China
Nan Jing, China
Jilin, China

Hou, Chunliang
Huang, Jiesi
Huang, Jin

Liao Ning, China
Xiamen, China
Suzhou, China

Li, Yong

Beijing, China

Meng, Yuan

Beijing, China

Sun, Hao

Dalian, China

Tu, Xiao Qiang

Beijing, China

Wan, Jie
Wang, Lei
Wang, Xiao Zhu
Wang, Youhua

Hangzhou, China
Nan Jing, China
Beijing, China
Zheng Zhou, China

Xu, Qi

Chang Zhou, China

Yan, Fang
Ye, Ying

Guangzhou, China
Fuzhou, China

Zhang, Jingjing
Zhang, Zhina
Zhou, Li

Shanghai, China
Beijing, China
Shanghai, China

MASTER OF SCIENCE (APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY)

Angelopoulos, Apostolos Paul Halifax, NS

Chamberlain, Trina Christie Winnipeg, MB

Gatien, Bernadette Marie Grand Bay, NB

Norris, Marie Elizabeth Manotick, ON

MASTER OF SCIENCE (APPLIED SCIENCE)

Savoie, Victoria Lynn (Co-operative Education) Bathurst, NB

Weir-Murphy, Shawna L. (Co-operative Education) Barton, NS

Xu, Hui Qingdao, China

Yan, Rui Jiang Xi, China

Honorary Degree Recipients

At this Fall Convocation, Saint Mary's University will confer four honorary degrees.

F. Wayne Adams, C.M.

Wayne Adams is credited with "amassing a tremendous life of combined service in both volunteering and professional careers. He is a life spirit, mostly self-made, filled with variety, woven with a high spirit of volunteerism to his fellow citizens covering some 40 years."

A Haligonian by birth, Wayne Adams became the first black person in the history of Nova Scotia to be elected to its Legislative Assembly and subsequently the first and only black Cabinet Minister to serve the Province of Nova Scotia. Elected in 1993 for the riding of "Preston" on a campaign message to stop the growth and future development of municipal dumps near low income families, he made a cleaner and safer environment his main platform plank. His vision was ultimately realized as he provided strong leadership and direction as Minister of the Environment with Nova Scotia experiencing its most sustained period of development of environmental growth since the creation of the Nova Scotia Department of Environment. He was the long-serving Minister of the Environment whose accomplishments included introducing of the first comprehensive Solid Waste Management Strategy in Canada as well as the newly-established Environmental Industries Sector. His legislative accomplishments also included the introduction of the Protected Spaces Act that preserved nearly 8,000 acres of environmentally significant land for the enjoyment of future generations. These initiatives have subsequently been copied by other provinces and indeed, countries around the world.

Undoubtedly one of the more interesting project in which he was engaged was to reactivate a 200 year old Trade Agreement between Nova Scotia and the Caribbean as he led trade delegations of environmental industries to Port of Spain, Trinidad, and to Barbados. As a result, Nova Scotia companies reported significant capital benefits, exporting technology, equipment, and service trade exchanges. This Barbados connection was a natural one for Wayne Adams, whose family routes can be traced back to Sir Grantley Adams, founder of the government referred to as the British West Indies.

One could argue that Wayne Adams' political career really began in 1962 when he was elected to the Students' Council. Then in 1979 he was elected to the Municipal Council of the former Halifax County and subsequently was re-

elected 5 times for a 15 year career in municipal politics, which included serving as Deputy Mayor (1982 to 1983).

Wayne Adams was a founding members of the Black Cultural Society of Nova Scotia and later became the Executive Director of the Black Cultural Centre from 1990 to 1993. Today he is an honorary member.

He has also had a distinguished career in broadcasting, including national and local coverage of Canada's very first Summer Games, the Opening Ceremonies for which were held at Saint Mary's University's Huskie Stadium in 1969. Currently, he conducts a Sunday Morning Gospel Hour on Community Radio, 94.7 FM, Eastern Passage and writes a weekly column for the *Daily News*.

He has served as a resource person on the topic of race, indifference, and racial equality to numerous schools throughout the Province as well as various service groups. Addressing some of the mass economic ills and unemployment problems in the Nova Scotia black community, he was also one of the driving forces behind the introduction of the American O.I.C. (Opportunities Industrialization Centres) programmed to the region. Using his O.I.C. experience, he was instrumental in the design and leadership which led to the creation of the "Preston Development Fund" which after two years evolved into the B.B.I. (Black Business Initiative) for Nova Scotia.

Always very well known for his deep involvement in the life of his own community, his public service today is demonstrated primarily through his membership and activities in the East Preston Baptist Church, the area's Lions Club, and the Board of Trade. He also serves as an Elder in his Church and was formerly an Executive Member of the Nova Scotia African Baptist Association as well as the Atlantic Baptist Convention. Not only is he a Director of the Halifax Citadel Amateur Boxing Club but also a Fundraiser and past Chairperson of the Nova Scotia Home for Colored Children which honoured him with a Life Membership.

One of his close friends indicated "when we look at the many firsts in the life career of Wayne Adams, it is not just in politics or broadcasting where he rose to the top, he was also one of the first minority persons to rise like a star in the local automotive trade". In this area, he was the Manager of Nova Scotia's first indoor service station (at Scotia Square for Shell Canada); the first black owner/operator of a Shell service station in Lower Sackville, Nova Scotia; and earlier in his career, while employed at a Halifax Chevrolet dealership, he

became a Service Sales Manager as well as the region's first black New Car Salesman and later, the Used Car Manager.

In light of his outstanding career, it is not surprising that he has been the recipient of many awards and citations for community leadership. These include the Harry Jerome Award for Black Community Leadership; the prestigious "Outstanding Young Canadian" Award; and in 1976, the coveted B'nai B'rith Award for Human Rights in Canadian Broadcasting for which he was chosen over the late Barbara Frum. In January 2004, the Order of Canada was presented to him.

Aside from his busy professional careers, he is a devoted family man, an avid gardener with cooking, woodworking and writing skills being listed as his hobbies.

Dr. George L. Barron

Born in Grangemouth, Scotland, in 1928, George Barron earned a Bachelor of Science degree with First Class Honors in Botany at the University of Glasgow followed by a Master of Science in Plant Pathology from the University of Toronto and two doctoral degrees – a Ph.D. in Mycology from the Iowa State University in 1958 and a Doctor of Science in Mycology from the University of Glasgow in 1984. He is a retired Professor of Environmental Biology at the University of Guelph.

Regarded as one of the most prominent scientists in Canada, his reputation for exceptional work in mycology is world-wide and has resulted in him being regarded as Canada's leading mycologist. He has published on almost every group of fungi, including three notable books, the last of which was *Mushrooms of Ontario and Eastern Canada*, 1999. In completing this latter book, he visited Saint Mary's University, gave an outstanding seminar, and went on field exercises with Saint Mary's University mycology students and local naturalists. The specimens and records he collected from Nova Scotia provided valuable data that aided in the completion of his book. He is known internationally not only as a mycologist but also as a photographer of fungi and his illustrations are to be found not only on his website and in numerous publications of other authors, but even on calendars.

Dr. Doug Strongman, Professor of Biology at Saint Mary's University, and a former student of Dr. Barron, remarked that his "reputation as an educator is no less renowned than his recognition as a world-class mycologist. Unlike other

professors at large institutions, he focused his attention on undergraduate students to the extent that students who passed through his course in mycology 20 years ago still mark the experience as one of the most memorable in their careers”.

It is not surprising that Dr. Barron has been the recipient of a significant number of awards and honors. These include Goldsmiths Company of London Travel Fellowship; Nuffield Foundation Travel Fellowship; George Lawson Medal from the Canadian Botanical Association; and in 1998 the Distinguished Mycologist Award. In addition, he has published widely and been a source of significant inspirations to decades of students.

Now retired from the University of Guelph, he has been married to Mae Thomson since October 1953 and they have four children – two girls, Lesley and Laurie and two sons, Scott and Stuart together with seven grandchildren.

Janet F. Kitz

Born in Scotland, Janet Kitz’s academic qualifications include a Scottish Higher Leaving Certificate, earned while a student at Lanark Grammar School and a Teaching Certificate from Jordanhill College. Her early career was that of a teacher in Scotland, London, Switzerland, St. Margaret’s and St. George’s, Edinburgh. She also served as a British Red Cross Welfare Officer in Davos, Switzerland.

In 1971 she immigrated to Canada on her marriage to Leonard A. Kitz, Q.C., former Mayor of the City of Halifax. She soon immersed herself in the life of the city, serving as a Board Member on the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals; the Women’s Auxiliary of the Isaac Walton Killam Hospital for Children; and perhaps is best known for her deep commitment to the Point Pleasant Park Commission which she served as chair; and also as a member of the Halifax Explosion Memorial Bells Committee.

The latter was a logical outcome of her interest in Anthropology. She credits Dr. Harold McGee, Department of Anthropology at Saint Mary’s University, with sparking her interest when she took a course from him in 1980. What followed was a long period of archival and academic research on the Halifax Explosion using documented boxes of mortuary artifacts which had been in storage since 1917. As a result of this detailed research and the collection of additional materials, she proceeded to interview and record information from those who had actually survived this explosion. It was not a huge step from that

to using her background as a broadcaster to be directly involved with several explosion-related television programmes and videos. She also created slide presentations on the explosion for both school children and for adults and has given many talks and lectures based on various aspects of this Halifax Explosion.

In her research, she served with the late Edmund Morris and Dr. Colin Howell, Chairperson, Department of History and Executive Director of the Gorsebrook Research Institute, and others in developing a book of remembrance of the Halifax Explosion which is now on display at the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic. In this latter organization, she is a research associate and has been a consultant for two of their exhibits.

Several major awards have been presented to Janet Kitz in recognition of her outstanding work with both Point Pleasant Park and also the Halifax Explosion. These include being made a Fellow of the Nova Scotia Historical Society and a recipient of Canada 125 Medal. She is also a Paul Harris Fellow.

In addition to significant newspaper and magazine articles, she has published three books – *Shattered City* (1989); *Survivors, Children of the Halifax Explosion* (1992); and most recently with Gary Castle, *A History of Point Pleasant Park* (1999).

She and her husband Leonard reside in Halifax.

Chief Paul Lawrence

Chief Lawrence Paul was born in Saint John, New Brunswick in 1934 and at the age of 8 moved to Nova Scotia. As a youth, he grew up in a community which did not have running water or indoor toilets. It was at that juncture that he pledged that someday he would make life better for his family and his community. He has more than fulfilled that pledge.

In the period from 1984 to the present, he has been serving as the elected Chief of the Millbrook First Nation, which comprises not only the Millbrook Band in Truro, but satellite reservations at Sheet Harbour, Beaverdam, and Cole Harbour. He is also the Chairperson of the Assembly of Nova Scotia Chiefs. In the area of community leadership, he is or has been the Co-Chairperson of the Atlantic Policy's Congress of First Nations; the Co-Chairperson of the Mikmaq Taxation Committee and the Aboriginal Title Project as well as a board member of the Confederacy of Mainland Mikmaq; as well as a committee

member of the Premier's Innovation and Technology Committee. Not only the members of the First Nations, but also many in the business community from across Canada, have been inspired by Chief Lawrence Paul's ability to build up his community from a poverty stricken backwater to a thriving area with a fast-growing business development, including new housing and inclusion in corporate relations with many non-native private business partners. He firmly believes self-sufficiency means eradicating poverty, building wealth, and creating jobs not only for natives but for everyone in society. He has made his community a true model of economic development for other First Nations and indeed other communities across Canada. A few of the many entities which he has spearheaded include a 400 acre Business Park and Lifestyle Centre, whose tenants include Tim Horton's, Sobey's Express, Empire Theatre, Aquatic Agriculture Facility and Green House, and Leon's Furniture to name but a few; a new \$2.5 million band administrations building; a new health centre; a fleet of 14 offshore fishing boats with a new \$1.8 million wharf in Sheet Harbour and also one in Joggins. Then on 19 April 2004, General Dynamics Canada and the Millbrook First Nation announced a joint teaming agreement to pursue opportunities to work together on the Maritime Helicopter Project for Canada. These are but a few examples of the many which could be cited for the leadership and vision of this man who has made such a significant contribution in shaping his aboriginal community and in so doing, his country.

A number of significant awards and recognitions have been bestowed on Chief Lawrence Paul, including being ranked in the top 50 CEO's in Atlantic Canada; being the Business Person of the Year as selected by the Truro and District Chamber of Commerce; awarded the Queen's Jubilee Award; and selected as one of the Doers and Thinkers for the New Era (the Atlantic Progress Magazine) as well as the Aboriginal Inclusion Award for Private Partnering (the Atlantic Economic Summit).

Awards

President's Award for Excellence in Research

Established in 1989, this annual award honours outstanding research conducted by a full-time faculty member who has been employed at the University for at least three years. Presentation of the award takes place at Convocation. A detailed nomination procedure has been delineated whereby each Dean of Faculty may select one member of his Faculty who has been nominated by the 15th October, and whose candidacy he is prepared to support. Other sponsors must be researchers, at least two of whom must be from outside Saint Mary's

University. The award is now adjudicated by the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research's Research Committee, which has the authority to decide which nominee, if any, is deserving of the award. The selection criteria consists of two component parts, namely productivity, whereby the nominee must have a record of continued exceptional contribution to research/scholarship; and secondly, recognition. The nominee must have attained national or international recognition as an authority in a major field of knowledge. The President's Award for Excellence in Research consists of a framed certificate presented traditionally at Fall Convocation together with a cheque for \$1,500. Previous winners of this significant award are:

- 1989 Dr. George Mitchell (Astronomy)
- 1990 Dr. John Chadwick-Jones (Psychology)
- 1991 Dr. John Reid (History/Atlantic Canada Studies)
- 1992 Dr. Jaroslav Dostal (Geology)
- 1993 Dr. Arthur Monahan (Philosophy)
- 1994 Dr. Michael Zaworotko (Chemistry)
- 1995 Dr. John C. O'C. Young (Chemistry)
- 1996 Dr. Terry H. Wagar (Management)
- 1997 Dr. David G Turner (Astronomy and Physics)
- 1998 Dr. Colin D. Howell (History/Atlantic Canada Studies)
- 1999 Dr. Georgia Pe-Piper (Geology)
- 2000 Dr. Henry Veltmeyer (Sociology/Int'l Development Studies)
- 2001 Dr. Bert Hartnell (Mathematics and Computing Science)
- 2002 Dr. Andrew S. Harvey (Economics)
- 2003 Dr. Stephen A. Davis (Anthropology)

This year's recipient of the President's Award for Excellence in Research is **J. Victor Owen**, B.Sc., M. in Applied Sc., Ph.D.

Prior to joining Saint Mary's as an Assistant Professor of Geology in 1987, Dr. Owen earned the following degrees – a Bachelor of Science (Concordia); M. App. Sc. (Quebec); and Ph.D. (Memorial). Currently, he is serving as the Chairperson of the Department of Geology.

At the time of his appointment, the then Dean of Science, Dr. Douglas Williamson, declared that “while we now have highly sophisticated analytical tools at our command, it is important to remember that rocks of the earth's crust ‘grow’ outside, which require all the skills of a field geologist to unravel”. A colleague wrote of him, “I know of no-one who is more competent as a

petrographer and field geologist". This early promise has borne fruit resulting in Dr. Owen being promoted to Full Professor in 2000 in recognition of a sustained career of outstanding research, teaching, and contributions to the University. Since coming to Saint Mary's University, he has been continuously funded by the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) and has published over eighty peer-reviewed research papers; about two thirds concern studies on the formation and composition of metamorphic and igneous rocks. His other publications stem from innovative research started about a decade ago which has been supported by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council and also by NSERC. This involves studies on historical, porcelain pottery and glass which have shed light on the technology used in their manufacture, and have culminated in the ability to confirm the authenticity of wares attributed to particular factories. The research has led to collaborations and consultations with museum curators in both Europe and North America.

Dr. Owen is married and has three children, the eldest of whom plans on attending Saint Mary's University after completing high school.

Fellowship in the Royal Society of Canada (F.R.S.C.)

Dr. John G. Reid

Earlier this autumn, Dr. John Reid, a member of the Department of History at Saint Mary's University, was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada (FRSC). This marks the first time that a member of the Saint Mary's University faculty has been elected to fellowship in the Royal Society of Canada while employed at the University.

Dr. Reid holds a Bachelor of Arts' degree with honours from Oxford University; an M.A. from the Memorial University of Newfoundland; and a Ph.D. from the University of New Brunswick. He is a Full Professor at Saint Mary's University.

Since completing graduate training, he has worked primarily in the History of Northeastern North America in the 17th and 18th centuries. He has published books and articles in this area including *Acadia, Maine, and New Scotland: Marginal Colonies in the 17th Century* in 1981 followed by *The New England Knight: Sir William Phips, 1651 to 1695* which he co-authored with Emerson W. Baker in 1998. Most recently, he has co-authored *'The Conquest' of Acadia, 1710: Imperial Colonial and Aboriginal*

Constructions with Morris Basque, Elizabeth Maneke, Barry Moody, Geoffrey Plank, and William Wicken. This was published by the University of Toronto Press earlier this autumn. He has also contributed to the history of higher education and is currently completing a biography of the historian Viola Florence Barnes to be published by the University of Toronto Press in 2005.

With respect to the recently-published book *The Conquest of Acadia*, it is already receiving local, national, and international attention. “The authors have provided a wide range of perspectives on the period before the conquest, the events of 1710, and the variety of responses after 1710 for the full range of actors in and around Nova Scotia/Acadia/Mi’kma’ki, remarked Dr. Mark Robinson, Professor of History at the University of South Carolina. “This book sets a high bar for others to meet in terms of the wide range of methodologies applied to a single event and its thoroughness in addressing the local, regional, and imperial import of the subject”.

Valedictorian

Max Haiven

Max describes himself as “an academic, an artist, and a social activist. In his 23 years, he has lived in Toronto, Edmonton, Saskatoon, Leamington Spa (Great Britain), and Halifax. He entered Saint Mary’s University in January 2001 as a transfer student from the University of Saskatoon. He will graduate today with a Bachelor of Arts degree with honors in Sociology. While a student at Saint Mary’s University, Max won Dean’s List Placement and Achievement Awards in each of his years of study.

At Saint Mary’s University, he was a founding member of, and committed participant in, the Saint Mary’s University’s Activist Coalition, a student-based group dedicated to issues around social justice and human rights. He was also a member of Food and Non-Corporate Treats, which promoted healthy and low cost food as an alternative to campus fare.

From 1998 to 2001, he was the Co-ordinator of *December Fifth Young Musician’s* Cooperative in Saskatoon. He has also had a variety of work and volunteer experiences. For example, while at the University of Saskatchewan, was a student Audio/Video Technician in the Division of Audio Visual Services; worked as the Cultural and Administrative Assistant at Saint Mary’s University’s Teaching English as a Second Language Centre in 2002; and in the 2003-2004 academic year, was a writing tutor at Saint Mary’s University’s Writing Centre.

Currently, Max is a student at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, in their Interdisciplinary Master's program in the study of Globalization and the Human Condition. He is studying there on a SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarship for Master's Students and in 2005 will become a Teaching Assistant in McMaster's University Labour Studies program.

His proud parents are Drs. Judy and Larry Haiven, both full-time members of the University's Department of Management.

Candidate to Be Hooded & Presented With Alumni Pin Shu Da

After receiving a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Computer Science from Sun Yat-Sen University (ZhongShan University) (China) in June 2003, Shu Da entered the Master of Finance graduate program at Saint Mary's University from which she will graduate with a cumulative quality point average of 3.93.

In a summary of her skills, she indicates that she is proficient in corporate accounting and financial analysis as well as in using Office and financial software packages; has good interpersonal and communication skills; and displays an excellent teamwork spirit.

While a student at Saint Mary's University, she undertook an internship as a Financial Analyst Assistant with Acadian Securities, Halifax, and wrote an industry research report for them.

Prior to coming to Canada, she served as the Vice Director of the Network for the Department Public Relations Society at the Sun Yat-Sen University and also the Vice Director of the Women's Society at the Information and Technology Institute of Sun Yet-Sen University.

Upon graduation, Shu Da intends to return to China in the hopes of finding a position in either a fund management company or investment bank. She also intends to continue to work towards her goal of becoming a Financial Analyst as she has already passed Level II in the Certificate Financial Analyst (C.F.A.) program.

History of Saint Mary's University

Saint Mary's University was founded in 1802 to provide opportunities for higher learning to young Catholic men. Its founder, the Reverend Edmund Burke, had meagre resources to work with, but on later being named Bishop with responsibility for Nova Scotia, he continued to support the college as essential to the development of the Catholic community. In 1841, the Nova Scotia House of Assembly gave formal recognition of its academic role. Its legal status was confirmed in perpetuity by enactment in 1852.

In 1913, the Christian Brothers of Ireland, a teaching order, were invited by the Archdiocese of Halifax to direct the college and its academic program. During the ensuing years, Saint Mary's University became more widely known for the quality of its undergraduate teaching and continued to develop new instructional programs, most notably within its Faculty of Commerce. In 1940 the Upper Canada Province of The Society of Jesus was invited to succeed the Christian Brothers as administrators and teachers in the University, and for thirty years until the enactment in 1970 of the new act of incorporation, the college remained under Jesuit supervision. The long-standing emphasis on liberal arts and commerce was extended to include new programs in science, engineering, and teacher education. Extension courses became an important part of the University's commitment to an active educational role in the community. The newest building on campus, The Sobey Building, opened in the fall of 1998 and houses the Frank H. Sobey School of Business and provides meeting rooms as well as state-of-the-art classrooms for all three faculties of the University.

In 2002, a year long series of events marked the institution's 200th anniversary. Included in these was the official launch on 15 May 2002 of our very own postage stamp. Three cairns were unveiled to mark two former sites of Saint Mary's, namely, the Glebe House Campus (corner of Spring Garden Road and Barrington Street) and the Windsor Street Campus (now the site of St. Vincent's Guest Home). On 5 June 2002, the final cairn, unveiled on the present campus on Robie Street, marked the end of the official Bicentennial year activities.

The Academic Plan: Framework Document

Recently, a major undertaking has been the development and articulation of an ambitious Academic Plan which essentially outlines the University's future. Supporting existing programs, protecting the University's core values, and providing clear strategic directions are central elements of this document entitled *Academic Plan: Framework Document*. The University's motto: "What you do, do well" was the guiding principle of the Plan.

The Academic Plan is the result of over a year of planary sessions, research, and consultations with all levels of the University's many constituencies. The dimensions of Saint Mary's activities are highlighted under four sections:

- History and Character
- Key Success Factors
- Building on Strength
- Meeting Challenges and Opportunities

"The plan describes the scope of activities which comprise our institutional agenda and emphasizes the mutually reinforcing nature of these endeavours," says Dr. Terry Murphy, Saint Mary's Vice President, Academic and Research, who led the process of developing the Academic Plan. "Working with a clearly articulated sense of academic priorities was crucial to the development of the Academic Plan," he says. "We wanted to ensure that academic concerns would drive, rather than be driven by, the process." Dr. Colin Dodds, President of Saint Mary's says, "Academics are at the core of what we do, research, teaching, service and everything else has to support that."

Dr. Dodds further describes the Academic Plan as a partnership within the Saint Mary's community. "Through a consensus in the academic areas on direction, in consultation with other areas of the University we have ended up with a shared vision and will share in the implementation of the plan." Dr. Dodds says that the Academic Plan will provide a roadmap for the future. "The Academic Plan outlines what we will need to sustain us along the journey, our direction and how long it will take." He says that it will also establish markers of the University's progress and help to assess performance. "To simply say that we have a plan is not enough, as implementation moves forward we will be revising the plan and continue to go back to it," says Dr. Dodds. "What we are doing is strategizing and not being rigid so that we can deviate from the plan. It requires a fluidity because things can change. The dynamism and flexibility of the plan will allow us to fine tune it as we go along."

An Explanation for our Guests: The Convocation Ceremony

(a) The Procession

The ceremony starts with the procession — the entering of the members of Convocation, beginning with the Marshall of Convocation and the students who will be presented with degrees, diplomas, and certificates during the service. As the students fill up the chairs in the Port Royal Room, they will give the impression that today's ceremony really is, as convocations traditionally were, a meeting of the whole University. (The word "convocation" means "calling-together".) Indeed, the Gymnasium could not hold all the individuals who are part of Saint Mary's — the students, the professors, the administration, the staff, and a large number of alumni around the world — not to mention their families and friends.

Next in the procession are special guests, the Members of Faculty, the Board of Governors, and the Deans of the Faculties.

They are followed by the honorary degree recipients. In addition to "earned" degrees awarded to students who have studied and met the stipulated requirements, annually the University confers several "honorary" degrees on individuals who have been designated by the University's Board of Governors and Academic Senate as deserving special honour. To symbolize the degrees, they will receive hoods trimmed with specially designated colours. The person receiving this honour will be introduced during the Convocation ceremony and a brief text is read to explain why he/she merits the award. Details are found in the earlier in this program.

The final members of the academic procession are the Vice-President, Academic and Research (who presides over Convocation), the President, and the Chancellor of the University. Frequently, the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia and her husband join the procession.

Many will have colourful gowns and hoods of institutions from across Canada, the United States, and many nations of the world.

(b) The Ceremonial Mace

The ceremonial mace, which is carried by the Marshall of Convocation at the head of the academic procession, was presented to Saint Mary's in April 1980

and used for the first time at the Spring Convocation of that same year. It symbolizes the University's authority to grant degrees. It was made and presented to the University by Maritime Command in recognition of Saint Mary's alumni killed in both world wars and also serving members of the Canadian Armed Forces who have been students at the University.

The mace is made of oak with a cast brass crown and brass plates carrying traditional ceremonial engravings. The plates represent the contribution to Saint Mary's by the Jesuit Fathers, the Christian Brothers of Ireland, the Archdiocese of Halifax, the LaSalle Christian Brothers, the Lay Teachers, and the Armed Forces.

(c) Degrees and Diplomas Awarded with Distinctions

At Saint Mary's University in the general undergraduate degree and diploma programs, academic distinctions are awarded to successful candidates on the basis of the following cumulative quality point averages of all courses taken at Saint Mary's University. Students must have taken a minimum of 75% of their courses at Saint Mary's University to qualify for a distinction. There are no distinctions awarded in the Bachelor of Education program, nor in graduate and certificate programs.

Program:	Quality Point	Distinction:
B.A., B.Comm., & B.Sc.	Average	Diploma in Engineering
summa cum laude	4.00 - 4.30	with greatest distinction
magna cum laude	3.85 - 3.99	with great distinction
cum laude	3.70 - 3.84	with distinction
Honours: First Class	4.00 - 4.30	-

Traditions

Traditions form a very important component of a University. A number of these are associated with Convocation, including the six described in the following paragraphs.

(a) University Crest

Hanging above the centre of the stage is a replica of the University crest, designed in the 1940s by the Reverend Daniel Fogarty, S.J., then Dean of Education. Each symbol in the crest has a significance relevant to the various phases and history of the University.

On the outer portion of the crest, the name and location of the University are inscribed in Latin and, in Roman numerals (1841), the date the University received its charter authorizing it to grant degrees.

The book shown above the shield represents learning and knowledge. The inscription on the page of the book is in Latin — “Age Quod Agis”. This is the motto of the University which exhorts all those connected with the University to strive to do their best in everything which they do. This quotation is from the Irish Christian Brothers and symbolizes their contribution to the development of the institution.

The upper part of the shield has the official seal of the Jesuits with I.H.S. being the Greek initials for Christ’s name. Below these initials are the three nails which represent the Crucifixion, and surrounding these is the Crown of Thorns. The two crowns represent a dual loyalty — to the then Dominion of Canada and to the British Commonwealth. Below these crowns is the thistle, which stands for Nova Scotia’s Scottish heritage.

(b) The Presidential Medallion of Office

On 22 October 2000, a Medallion of Office was officially presented to the University and used for the first time that same day at the installation of Dr. J. Colin Dodds as President. Designed and crafted by James Bradshaw and Bruce Babcock of James Bradshaw Jewellery Design Studios, Inc., Halifax, its centre is a University Gold Medal, traditionally awarded to the top graduating students. It symbolizes the University’s deep commitment to academic excellence. It is surrounded by contrasting sterling silver, representing the diversity of the institution’s students and of its academic programs. It was generously presented by the late Mary Eileen Donahoe and her family as a memorial to the late Senator Richard A. Donahoe, Q.C., K.S.G, LL.D.(Hon.), a member of one of the earliest Boards of Governors, in recognition not only of his career of public service but also his love of Saint Mary’s.

(c) The President’s Hall of Academic Excellence

In May 2002, the President’s Hall of Academic Excellence was officially opened. Located directly outside the President’s Office on the main corridor of the McNally Building, its purpose is to provide a permanent, visible record of all students who earned their academic credentials with a distinction and/or won a Governor-General’s or University Gold Medal. The University is extremely proud of the

academic achievements of its top students and wanted to ensure that all who visit the McNally Building will know who these students are. This is one of many Bicentennial Projects initiated during this very special year in our institution's history.

At this year's Fall Convocation, six of the top students will be presented with a framed parchment during the actual Convocation Ceremonies.

(d) The Hooding Ceremony

As you will observe, all the graduates and members of the academic procession are attired in the basic elements of formal academic dress, which at Saint Mary's follows the general guidelines established at Oxford and Cambridge Universities in England. Formal attire consists of academic robe, hood and mortar board, although at Saint Mary's the latter is limited to Master's graduates only. The academic dress worn by each participant depends upon the academic level attained. There is a special attire for the Bachelor level candidates, for the Master's, and the Doctorate. While tradition has dictated the style or cut of the academic attire, each post-secondary institution, for the most part, will amend certain details of the attire to suit its own particular tastes and traditions.

The academic hood which each graduate is wearing symbolizes the degree into which the student will be or has been admitted. The hood itself traces its tradition back to the Middle Ages, when its prototype, with a cowl-like appendage and tail, was used to cover the shoulders in the cold and draughty medieval buildings or in inclement weather. Gradually this garment was modified and the hood assumed an academic rather than functional significance. The hood has two basic elements: the trim on the outer edge and an inner satin lining. Each hood has its outer edge trimmed with a colour to indicate a particular faculty and degree: white symbolizes Arts; gold, Science; grey, Commerce; and white with pale blue, Education. The hood for the Master's candidates is essentially the same as the Bachelor's hood except that the trim is usually an inch or two wider. All the Bachelor level hoods are lined with satin in the colours of the institution granting the degree. Hence at Saint Mary's the hood is lined with maroon satin with a white chevron. The Master's hood at Saint Mary's is lined with maroon satin only to give it added distinction from the Bachelor's.

A symbolic hooding ceremony has become a traditional feature of all Convocations at Saint Mary's.

(e) Graduation Alumni Pins

The Alumni Association of Saint Mary's University will generously provide an Alumni Pin to each member of the Fall Class of 2003. This is a tradition which started with the 1992 Spring Convocation. Graduates are encouraged to wear theirs with pride and to consider becoming an active member of the Association.

A symbolic presentation of an Alumni pin to the Hooding Candidate by the President of the Alumni Association has also become a traditional feature of all Convocations at Saint Mary's University.

(f) Flags on the Stage

Each year Saint Mary's has a number of non-Canadians in its student body. The flags which you see displayed on the stage for Convocation are from some of the countries from which these students come, not necessarily graduating students, but those in any year of study. The globalization of the Saint Mary's University community is a feature of justifiable pride which contributes markedly to the growth and understanding of both Canadian and non-Canadian students. Also included in the University's permanent collection of flags is one from the International Year of the Disabled signifying the University's permanent commitment to people with disabilities. Also part of this collection is that of the Mi'kmaq's in recognition of their First Nation's Status. In May 2002, a flag symbolizing the University's 200th Anniversary celebrations was added to the permanent collection.

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The University's symbols and traditions reflect its roots as well as looking to its future. The ritual of Convocation looks to the roots of the University as well as being a beginning for the students who now enter a new stage in their lives. Indeed, both the symbols and the Convocation look back far beyond the beginning of this University to the centuries of academic life in western civilization. Today the University community dresses in clothes which are symbolic, not functional, and goes through the 600-year-old ritual of a convocation for the conferment of degrees, diplomas, and certificates.

We thank you for being present to share in this special event with the Saint Mary's University community.

Alumni Framing Service

The Saint Mary's University Alumni Association, in conjunction with the University's Bookstore, is pleased to provide an on-site, instant framing program following graduation ceremonies. (Please note: This service is **NOT** available during the Convocation ceremony.)

Simply present your diploma at the designated area in the Cornwallis Room which is located on the lower level of the World Trade and Convention Centre. In seconds it will be professionally framed in a high quality, Canadian-made frame, complete with a mat emblazoned with the official crest of Saint Mary's University.

The Board of Governors, The Academic Senate, and
The Graduating Class

of

Saint Mary's University

cordially invite you to attend a

RECEPTION

Convocation Day
Sunday, 14 November 2004
immediately following Fall Convocation

Mariner Suites
Main Level
World Trade and Convention Centre

This informal setting will provide an opportunity for the graduates and their guests to meet Faculty, Administrators, and Staff of Saint Mary's University.

Light refreshments will be served.



GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

God save our gracious Queen,
Long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen!
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us;
God save the Queen!