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"I was attracted to Saint Mary's because it has a well-established faculty of commerce. It is very aggressive about the future and extremely forward-looking in its desire to connect with the business community and take advantage of the training opportunities that are going to exist in the next decade." Thus says Dr. Scott Carson, whose appointment as Dean of the Frank H. Sobeys Faculty of Commerce was recently announced by Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, President of the University. Dr. Carson, who will join Saint Mary's in April, is Vice-President, Corporate Finance Division, of the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce in Toronto.

Describing these opportunities, Dr. Carson says, "A lot of large companies need training and development, but do not have the capacity in-house. It will be jobbed-out and represents a tremendous opportunity for business schools." He adds, "Some of the most



Dr. Scott Carson

successful North American and European business schools are those

that have offered a wide range of courses and executive updates to business. Saint Mary's is beautifully poised to go after these opportunities."

Dr. Carson believes, however, that there is still a definite place for a conventional business education and adds, "I am a supporter of a significant role for arts and sciences in business education at the undergraduate level and cannot conceive of a management education that is purely technical. One of the attractions of Saint Mary's is that its commerce faculty is part of an institution with a long and distinguished history in liberal arts education through the sciences, the arts and the humanities. I see those as crucial to success in the larger sphere of management."

Dr. Carson comes to the deanship from a background in which university teaching and business have been inextricably mixed. As a student of Economics and Accounting at Mount Allison University in the late 60s, he spent summers working in accounting and engineering while earning his BComm. He then moved to Toronto to work for the accounting firm Ernst & Young, (then Clarkson Gordon). Bitten by the academic bug, however, he returned to his studies first to Dalhousie for a BEd and MA, then on to the University of London for a PhD in Education and Philosophy.

In 1981, Dr. Carson joined the Mercantile Bank of Canada as an account manager, leaving to teach at Queen's University between 1982 and 1984, then returning to the bank. In 1985, he joined the Chemical Bank of Canada as Assistant Vice-President, and in 1987 moved to the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce as a general manager and then vice-president in corporate banking. In 1991, he became head of the bank's Corporate Finance Division. Recently, he has taught finance part-time in the MBA program at the University of

Saint Mary's student wins Sobeys Scholarship

Saint Mary's commerce student Tom Riley is one of five business students in Atlantic Canada to receive a scholarship from the Frank H. Sobeys Fund for Excellence in Business Studies for the 1992-93 academic year.

Riley, of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, is currently in his second year at the University and serves as president of the Saint Mary's University Commerce Society. He obtained a perfect 4.0 grade point average in his first year at Saint Mary's.

The awards, which were announced in early December, came at a great time according to Riley. "I was studying and writing my exams and the news that I won a scholarship really gave me that extra drive to do well."

Majoring in accounting and hoping to gain his CA designation after graduating, Riley believes that the support of corporations is vital to the success of business graduates. "It is great that organizations such as Sobeyes set up funds to encourage excellence in business studies. To be one of the five chosen for Atlantic Canada is very rewarding."

Mr. Edmund Morris, one of the administrators of the Fund, says "The quality of the applicants in the region reflects the high level of competence, both in teaching and learning, in Atlantic Canada business studies." He continues, "Scholarship winners are entitled to use the designation Frank H.

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Tom Riley

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Around campus



Snow scene

Snowball anyone?? Several students got together for a pick-up game of football on the snow-covered turf at Huskies Stadium in mid-February.

Atlantic Centre visit

Dr. Janet Halliwell who chairs the Nova Scotia Council of Higher Education visited the Atlantic Centre of Support for Disabled Students on February 4. She is seen here talking to student Karen Larsen.



Books for Vietnam:

When Dean of Education Dr. Terry Piper was in Vietnam recently, she discovered a serious shortage of English books for use in teacher training colleges. Master of Education student Debi Boutilier took up the challenge and worked with schools and education boards in Metro to collect books, which will be shipped to Vietnam. L to R: Debi Boutilier, Cang Tan, Ba Nguyen from Vietnam and Dr. Piper.



ECOSS recycling drive a success

Almost 750 pounds of recyclables including milk cartons, glass bottles, 2L plastic pop bottles, newspapers, aluminum and tin cans were collected on Friday, January 29 by the Environmentally Concerned Student Society (ECOSS) during their only recycling drive this year. ECOSS member Allison Cook (seated) is shown here with students Kim McInnis and Bob Pearson. Cook reported that 350 pounds of aluminum cans have also been collected from drop-off sites around campus this year.

Task force updates Role and Capacity Statement

Commitment to teaching, research and outreach confirmed

by Chuck Bridges

A joint meeting of the Board of Governors and Senate on March 8 considered Saint Mary's 1993 Role and Capacity Statement. The document, an update of the statement prepared in September 1989 at the beginning of the provincial government's university rationalization process, will be presented to the Nova Scotia Council on Higher Education later this month. The Council's new head Janet Halliwell requested the update to help her prepare an overview of the universities in Nova Scotia.

An internal task force including the deans of the Arts, Education, Commerce and Science faculties, the two vice-presidents and the president worked on the submission, which outlines Saint Mary's renewed commitment to Excellence in Teaching, Excellence in Research and Excellence in Community Outreach.

The document recognizes that Saint Mary's University has changed in response to the demands and needs of our society since 1989. The development of Saint Mary's into a metropolitan university with international linkages and contacts has brought the University a new set of responsibilities. The goals contained in Saint Mary's mission statement have remained the same, but expectations for the universities have changed. Gone are the days when any university could or should aspire to be all things to all people. Wise use of sparse resources, and a demand for accountability and responsiveness to the public require that all universities examine their individual roles and develop programs in which they have strength. Saint Mary's clearly plays a leadership role among Nova Scotia universities. With successful ventures into Eastern Europe and the Pacific Rim, Saint Mary's has been recognized as a university with standards which meet or exceed those required to participate in the global marketplace.

The statement makes it clear that Saint Mary's commitment to teaching excellence is primarily in the field of undergraduate education with graduate programs in selected areas of strength. Mounting graduate programs is expensive, so opportunities for co-operation with other universities will be sought. There have been a number of successful co-operative ventures in recent years including a recently concluded agreement between the Geology departments at Saint Mary's University and Dalhousie. Another example is the PhD program in clinical psychology involving Saint Mary's, Acadia, Dalhousie and Mount Saint Vincent universities.

The curriculum will continue to develop, particularly in fields in which universities can be the catalyst for economic development by both

producing graduates who are capable of competing internationally and by conducting research which has theoretical and practical applications. A particular strength of Saint Mary's is the way in which it involves undergraduate students in research. The commitment to research excellence will also assist in developing linkages with business, universities and other countries which will require education to foster their own development.

Another concern for the University is enrolment. The number of students projected for 1993-94 in the 1989 Role and Capacity statement has already been surpassed. At the same time the average marks of high school students entering the University have risen from 72.5 per cent (1988-89) to 75.7 per cent (1991-92). This is also reflected in the graduation rate for the University which sees 78 per cent of all full-time students graduate in four years. However, increased enrolment, coupled with the lowest government funding in the country has created a dilemma for Saint Mary's. It appears that, for the foreseeable future, full-time enrolment will have to be stabilized at its current level.

Finally, Saint Mary's will continue to reach out to the community and will work to maintain accessibility for groups not traditionally well-represented in higher learning. It will act as a resource to the community and also to provide a bridge between Nova Scotia and other areas of the world which may result in economic, social and educational opportunities.

Saint Mary's believes that its role in the future, as in the past, is to be part of the solution, not the problem facing post-secondary education in Nova Scotia



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A student (I) talks with Dr. Tom Musial (c) and Thomas Nisbett at the first "Owning My Own Business" information session held at Saint Mary's on March 2.

SMU Alumnus plays key role

TV program for entrepreneurs

Have you always wanted to start your own business but didn't know how or were afraid to take the plunge? Well, "Owning My Own Business" could be the answer for you.

What is it? It is an English language, 13-program television series developed by the Atlantic Provinces Chamber of Commerce, along with the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA), Saint Mary's University, the Federal Business Development Bank and ASN. The project includes a 300-page textbook and exercise book, and a series of study sessions around Atlantic Canada.

The creators of the show have several goals: to promote entrepreneurship by increasing the number of people who have the motivation and competence to start a new business; to increase the rate of business formation; to increase survival and growth rates of existing businesses; and to enhance general economic growth through job creation and innovation.

Thomas Nisbett, a Saint Mary's alumnus currently on contract as a senior policy advisor with the Atlantic Provinces Chamber of Commerce, was one of the key initiators of the program. Why did he do it? "Atlantic Canada has a real history of entrepreneurship," says Nisbett. "We need to have people who are creating their own future at home. This program tries to promote and create awareness of entrepreneurship as a key employment tool."

Program host, Dr. Tom Musial, a Saint Mary's marketing professor and an entrepreneur, agrees. "The program was developed to stimulate and encourage the people of Atlantic Canada to follow their lifelong dreams of owning their own businesses. We interviewed 85-90 entrepreneurs from across the region to give students insight into starting a business." He continues, "The shows are meant to be informative without being instructive."

Saint Mary's provided advice on the choice of experts to appear in the television series and supervised program participants who registered for the course via the Department of Continuing Education.

The program is based on a French-language series entitled "Posseder mon entreprise" developed by the Faculty of Administrative Sciences of Laval University and the Conseil du Nouveau-Brunswick.

Appeal to the "talking classes"

by Anne West

In the first of the new Fisheries Forum seminar series, inshore fisherman from around Nova Scotia filled Theatre A in the Burke Education Building to ask academics, (described by one as "The Talking classes") for help in the current crisis in the Atlantic fishery. In addition, fishermen used the forum to send a clear message to the Eastern Fishermen's Federation and the Maritime Fishermen's Union, the two rival unions that represent them. "Amalgamate and speak with one voice, or we will find someone else to represent us."

Organized by Dr. Tony Charles of the Finance and Management Science Department, the seminar panel consisted of Randy Baker, president of the Eastern Fishermen's Federation, Michael Belliveau, executive director of the Maritime Fishermen's Union and Stephen Greene, assistant to the president of Clearwater Fine Foods Inc. It was moderated by Costas Halevrezos of the CBC's Maritime Noon.

In the absence of a representative of the deep sea fishery, consensus was that the ever-increasing size and efficiency of the trawler fleet has proved more than the resource can handle. Although not very scientific, arguments put forward by inshore fishermen that the fishery had existed for hundreds of years until the advent of these giant harvesting machines, seemed



Below: Theatre "A" during the Fishery Seminar
Right: Fishery panel (L to R) Stephen Greene, Michael Belliveau, Randy Baker and Costas Halavrezos



when it is at its peak, and move on to other species when the first one is not freely available. In this way, the economies of the coastal communities would be stabilized and the cycle of boom and bust minimized.

Government's recent decision to take away inshore ground fish licences that have not been used for several years was strongly denounced. Panel members claimed, all it indicates is that there are no fish to catch. When fish are harvested so efficiently offshore, the numbers reaching the mid-shore and inshore decline to the point where the groundfish fishery has become a purely academic subject in parts of Nova Scotia. When it comes to cod, hake and flounder, explained Michael Belliveau, "gradually the ground fish fishery became inaccessible to most inshore fishermen. This started to happen in the mid 1980s, when the fixed gear fishermen lost access to the resources." Describing one positive aspect of the current moratorium on the offshore fishery, Belliveau said, "A lot (of inshore fishermen) began to dream again, that they may see some ground fish."

Green also talked about future stock management. He said, "We won't be looking at cod or pollock or herring or clams in isolation. We will be looking at them all as part of the ecosystem, (in which they are) all dependent on one another. We will have a better understanding of how the food chain works." He suggested that in future, fishermen not government will manage the fish stocks, hiring scientists to help them do so.

However, Dalhousie University sociologist Marian Binkley, speaking during the lengthy question period, warned that following the American system where fishermen have control over stocks doesn't work because by nature of the industry, the small fishermen have to be out catching fish, so the big companies end up controlling stocks.

Stephen Green made a strong point that Atlantic fishermen are part of a world market. If their fish is unavailable or too expensive or not high enough quality, buyers for local supermarket chains can buy from all over the world. It is not possible to retreat into the past. "White fish is a global product, buyers' only allegiance is value for money," he said. "The fishery will prosper only when we have economic efficiency."

Building on strength campaign nearly halfway to goal

Major gifts are flowing into Saint Mary's \$24 million "Building on Strength" campaign and by the end of March expectations are that gifts from corporations, foundations and individuals will reach \$6 million, half of the private sector goal. Major donations received in the first two months of this year included those of McCain Foods and Nova Scotia Power Corporation, who have each pledged over \$50,000, while gifts ranging between \$10,000 and \$25,000 have been pledged from the Levesque Foundation, LASMO Nova Scotia, Maclean Hunter, Grafton Investments, McInnes Cooper Robertson and Eastern Canada Towing. Corporate gifts were also pledged by Campbell Soup, Midland Walwyn, F.C. O'Neill Scriven and Associates, Dominion Textile and Dineen Construction.

A number of major pledges to the campaign are on hold during the university rationalization process being undertaken by the provincial government, as is any capital contribution from the provincial government itself. Faculty and staff at

compelling.

Much was said about a "sustainable fishery" based on smaller boats and less rapacious gear. "We must get back to the roots of the fishery...harvesting should be left to the traditional inshore long line fishermen," said Randy Green. Describing his vision for the future of the Atlantic fishery, he said, "I think we will see a very different fishery in terms of the amount of government involvement. You will see the end of the UIC program for fishermen. You will see a more year-round fishery where possible, with more emphasis on multi-species licence holders." Such changes, he believes, will enable fishermen to catch a particular species

the University will be approached for donations this spring and alumni will be asked for help over a seven month period beginning this fall.

Director of University Advancement Don Keleher is pleased with progress and says, "This campaign is imminently winnable. It may take somewhat longer than we originally anticipated due to both the recession and rationalization, but it will succeed."

The campaign aims to raise \$24 million, of which \$20 million is to strengthen Saint Mary's physical resources by building a home for the Frank H. Sobey Faculty of Commerce and adding extra floors to both the Burke Education Centre and the Patrick Power Library. Two million dollars will be used to strengthen academic resources by purchasing scientific equipment and \$2 million will be used to build financial reserves to ensure the continuity of the Atlantic Centre of Support for Disabled Students, to endow scholarships and bursaries and help with travel grants for co-op students.

How to compile a 'teaching dossier'

Academics learn to showcase teaching skills

Papers on research achievements are easy enough for academics to list and present when applying for jobs or promotion, but teaching accomplishments are harder to pin down. Academics who wish to be judged on their teaching skills have a hard time documenting them.

On February 12, Dr. W. Alan Wright, founder of the Office of Instructional Development and Technology at Dalhousie University, conducted a seminar on how to construct a "Teaching Dossier" which reflects the philosophy, goals, responsibilities and contributions to teaching of faculty members. Forty-two faculty members from Saint Mary's, Acadia, Saint Francis Xavier, and Mount Saint Vincent universities and the Technical University of Nova Scotia attended.

The seminar was sponsored by the Quality of Teaching Committee at Saint Mary's. Dr. Geraldine Thomas,



Dr. Alan Wright teaching about the "Teaching Dossier"

who chairs this committee, notes in an article for *Teaching and Learning at Saint Mary's* that the teaching dossier is most often used as part of an

academic's curriculum vitae when seeking new jobs or promotions. She adds, "It also provides faculty members with an opportunity to reflect on their teaching activities in a systematic way. The reflection itself can have a beneficial effect on teaching."

Dr. Thomas also notes, "This is an item of particular interest to young faculty. They, more than most, recognize that the Teaching Dossier

concept is something which can enhance their own curriculum vitae as it quickly become standard in universities across North America."

What goes into a teaching dossier? Dr. Wright made it clear that no two are the same, but the items likely to be part of an academic's teaching dossier include student evaluations and lists of courses taught, with a description of each and notes of special material or technology used in the classroom. It can also include notes on how courses have been improved over the years, and statements from colleagues. Evidence of availability to students is important, as are examples of student work, or honors received by students. Lists of workshops attended or papers given on teaching and learning in higher education would also find a place in a teaching dossier as evidence of commitment to the subject.

Seminar organizer Margaret-Anne Bennett of Continuing Education says, "Participants' response and reactions to the workshop were very positive. Many made suggestions that the Quality of Teaching Committee follow up this introductory seminar with more in-depth sessions on the Teaching Dossier."

History Profs contribute to Atlantic Provinces history book

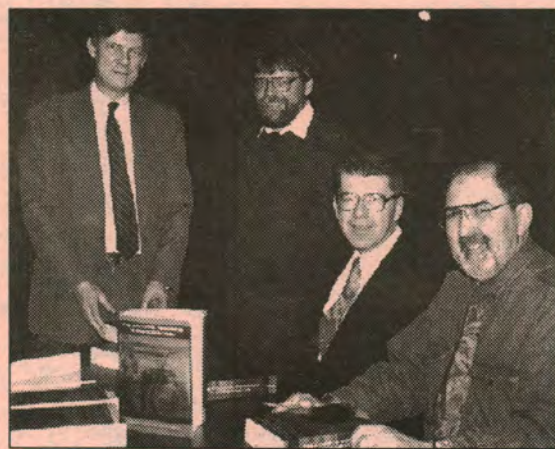
The Atlantic Provinces in Confederation

Edited by E.R. Forbes and D.A. Muise
University of Toronto Press \$29.95

Dr. John Reid and Dr. Colin Howell of the History Department, along with 1992 honorary degree recipient, Dr. Phillip Buckner of the University of New Brunswick, are among 13 historians who have researched the shifting tides of Atlantic Canada's history for a new book titled *The Atlantic Provinces in Confederation*. This book was launched at a reception hosted by the Gorsebrook Institute for Atlantic Canada Studies on March 1.

"This is the first comprehensive single-volume history on the Atlantic region, post-Confederation," explains co-editor Del Muise of Carleton University. "There were up to 1,000 students a year in the region and across central Canada who were taking a course on Atlantic Canada without a textbook. We filled this need."

The book begins with the union of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario and Quebec to form the Dominion of Canada in 1867. Continuing on through Prince Edward Island's entry into Confederation six years later and Newfoundland's entry in 1949, the historians take the story of Atlantic Canada up to the 1980s.



Dr. Colin Dodds (V-P Academic and Research) and Dr. Colin Howell (History), pose with editors Ernie Forbes and Del Muise

Each of the historians who contributed to this volume has previously conducted research in some major aspect of the region's history and each took responsibility for an individual decade. The editors, however, did not require them to write to a particular formula and they were free to highlight the aspects of their decade that they believed to be most important, using the approaches and methods they deemed most appropriate. The result is variety in both focus and method; a rich tapestry in which individual chapters emphasize and explore different aspects of the political, business, class, cultural and gender dimensions of the region's history, all presented against the backdrop of its relations with the rest of Canada.

Dr. Howell has been doing research on the period of Confederation to World War I since he came to Saint Mary's in 1970. His chapter is titled "The 1900s: Industry, Urbanization and Reform". Says Dr. Howell, "The last two decades have been very productive in research of Atlantic Canada, post-Confederation, and the book really provides a solid background of this period."

Dr. John Reid wrote the chapter, "The 1970s: Sharpening the Sceptical Edge" while Dr. Buckner, wrote "The 1870s: Political Integration".

CMA program flourishes at Saint Mary's

Since May 1988, Saint Mary's has been the university in Nova Scotia which offers the pre-professional syllabus for the Society of Management Accountant's Certified Management Accountant (CMA) designation. Over 200 students are currently enrolled at Saint Mary's in the 11-credit program. Last June, over 70 per cent of Saint Mary's BComm graduates were successful in writing the entrance exam to the professional program.

Both Saint Mary's and the CMA students have benefitted from the program. Increasing numbers of mature students with working experience bring their knowledge of "real world" practice to Saint Mary's classrooms helping other students to understand the working world. The Society has sponsored speakers for the University such as William Dimma who spoke on business ethics and Dr. Gordon Pollock, Executive Vice President with the Society of Management Accountants (SMA) in the Maritimes, who spoke to various groups on campus about the employment process. The SMA has also sponsored an audio cassette series entitled "Managing the Nineties: Issues Critical for Management Success" which is used by CMA students.

CMA students are exposed to a university setting and learn to interact with a wide variety of students as well as professors. The program gives

CMA students the option to choose between a classroom setting or distance education.

For Gary Osborne, a 1992 graduate of the pre-professional program now working as a corporate accounting clerk with Air Nova, there really was no choice between studying to be a CA or a CMA. "I took the CMA program because I saw the market shifting toward a focus on managerial accounting, not just audits. The program looks beyond the numbers. I'm able to combine the managerial information I have received from the professional program with the numbers information I received in my pre-professional program at Saint Mary's. I guess I really like the focus on real-world applications."

Says CMA student Sharon Oickle, "I like going to classes at Saint Mary's. I'm able to interact with other students, and I can be sure I'm interpreting the material correctly because I have professors that will set me straight if I start moving in the wrong direction. The courses offered at Saint Mary's are flexible, with a good variety offered in the evening."

The Society of Management Accountants is the professional organization responsible for the training, accreditation and continuing professional development of CMAs. It represents 40,000 Certified Management Accountants and CMA students nationwide, 800 in Nova Scotia, who are employed in business, industry and

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



Recipients of Canada Scholarships and other awards for science students pose with (Front row, R to L) University President Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, Anne Thompson (Industry and Technology Canada) and Science Dean Dr. David Richardson

Science sholarships presented

At a Saint Mary's science scholarship award ceremony on February 12, fourth year Biology student Dawn Gordon received one of only 25 Governor General's Canada Scholarships in Environmental Engineering and Environmental Sciences. These \$1,000 scholarships are for science students who have held Canada Scholarships throughout their undergraduate years and are now entering their final year. They must also have taken a significant number of environment-related courses or taken part in environment-related research. Dawn Gordon spent several co-op work terms working on a spruce budworm research project at the Maritime regional headquarters of Forestry Canada in Fredericton, New Brunswick.

Announcing these new awards in Quebec City on February 8, Governor General Ramon Hnatyshyn said, "Canadians recognize the need to safeguard our national and global environment, while meeting our social and economic goals. These Canada Scholars demonstrate the engineering and scientific excellence, as well as the personal commitment, that will be the key to building Canada as an environmentally-responsible nation in the 21st century."

Another Saint Mary's student, W. Scott Furey, received one of 10 Merck Frosst Awards, industry-funded Canada Scholarships given to students in Chemistry and Biochemistry. He also received the Betty Cleary Memorial Scholarship for Chemistry, which was presented by Stephanie Cleary.

During the ceremony, 14 first-year science students received Canada Scholarships from Anne Thompson, Senior Development Officer, Environmental Industries, for Industry and Technology Canada. These scholarships, worth \$2,000 a year, continue through the student's undergraduate years, provided he or she maintains high marks. Saint Mary's currently has 42 Canada Scholars receiving support through this government initiative to encourage young people, especially women, to make their careers in science.

Mr. Bill Mundle, President of the Mining Society of Nova Scotia, presented the Mining Society Centennial Scholarship Medal to Anthony Atkinson, who graduated with a major in Geology in May 1992.

Shopping Centres Award

First year science student, **Natasha Spears**, a graduate of Hants East Rural High School, is the Saint Mary's recipient of a 1992-93 Atlantic Shopping Centres Award. This scholarship program is funded by Atlantic Shopping Centres and the merchants in its family of malls. Shown here left to right:

Paul McLean, manager, Penhorn Mall; Kathy Kelly, assistant manager, Penhorn Mall; Jim Pushie, general manager, Park Lane; winner **Natasha Spears**; Dave Cake, regional manager-Nova Scotia; Jill Burns, marketing



director, Park Lane; Verna Bulley, general manager, Downsview Mall and; Terry Doran, general manager, West End Mall.



Bill Mundle, President of the Mining Society of Nova Scotia, pins the society's medal on Anthony Atkinson



Scholarship winner Dawn Gordon with Dean of Science Dr. David Richardson



W. Scott Furey receives the Betty Cleary Memorial Scholarship from Stephanie Cleary

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Toronto.

Highlights of Dr. Carson's career as an administrator include the full range of management functions as a senior officer of CIBC and the arrangement of many international financial transactions. He acted as consultant to the government's Prosperity Commission on Canadian Economic Competitiveness, chaired the Graduate Studies and Research Committee of Queen's University's Faculty of Education and arranged seminars for the Financial Post 500 Senior Executives on adjustment to the free trade agreement with the United States.

In addition, Dr. Carson has published widely in the fields of management and education, and has presented papers on philosophy and education-related topics at seminars and conferences.

For Dr. Carson's wife, Miriam, the move to Nova Scotia will be a return home and he says the whole family is "absolutely delighted". About the family, he jokes, "We have unwittingly become completely middle class: a son (11), a daughter (10), a golden retriever, a family van and a house in suburbia".

Sobey's Scholarship

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Sobey Scholar (1992-93), which adds to the prestige of this award."

The primary qualification for the awards is academic excellence. Recipients must have completed one year of undergraduate or graduate business studies at an Atlantic Provinces university and be enrolled in full-time studies for the next year. Other 1992-93 winners are from Acadia, St. FX, TUNS and UNB. In the Fund's first three years of operation, Saint Mary's students have won three of the 12 scholarships awarded.

Towards Anti-Racist Teaching in Nova Scotian Universities

a one-day workshop



8:00 am to 5:30 pm

Saturday, March 27

The Multi-Purpose Room,
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What hope for A

West: I see that APEC devoted 1991-92 to the constitutional debate, to projecting the economic effects of revised federalism. It came out in favour of a "Yes" vote for the Charlottetown Accord. What do you feel will be the results of the "No" vote?

O'Neill: "It is too early to tell. It has been very calm since the referendum. It is therefore tempting to say that the "No" vote was the right thing. The Canadian electorate was not impressed by (the changes to the constitution proposed in) the package. We have already paid the price in an uncertainty that would probably have been there whatever the outcome. We may yet have negative consequences from the referendum result.

There are three unresolved issues; first, the alienation of the West about its lack of leverage at the federal level. Without a reformed senate to deal with that issue, one of the alternatives is to vote for the Reform Party and fragment parliament. The next election will be very important in that regard. The second issue, which is front and centre, is the place of Quebec in confederation. There is a calm about that right now and certainly Parizeau has been helping the cause of those who want to keep Quebec in Confederation. He is a very effective spokesperson for those who would oppose sovereignty. However, if a PQ government was elected provincially and if at the national level there was a strong Reform Party, it is not clear to me that the situation would remain calm.

The third unresolved issue is the place of the aboriginal community in the national polity. It seems to me that is going to be the most difficult one to deal with and potentially the most explosive one. We have had over 30 years trying to deal with and accommodate the sovereignty movement in Quebec and an even longer history of reacting to and accommodating Western alienation, but we have no real experience dealing with the anger and frustration and despair in the aboriginal community.

West: APEC spent a lot of time on the constitutional issues; was that wasted?

O'Neill: Our judgement on what was appropriate is obviously the stuff of history. The fact is that we had to spend time on it because whichever way the package went, there were going to be significant consequences for Atlantic Canada. I am extremely happy that so far our predictions of major negative consequences for a "No" vote were wrong.

West: What is APEC's position on inter-provincial co-operation?

O'Neill: APEC has been a supporter of co-operative initiatives since the Council was formed. In fact, APEC grew out of an explicit agreement between the four provinces and the private sector. Co-operation has been at the core of its existence and I think we have had a long-term impact there.

The economy is something that preoccupies most Atlantic Canadians, at least part of the time; it seems to be at the heart of our dissatisfaction with our position in Confederation. We watch with despair as industries come and go, layoffs take place and things never seem to get better. The Times recently had an opportunity to interview Dr. Tim O'Neill, an associate professor of Economics at Saint Mary's who is on leave of absence to serve as president of the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council.

APEC atlantic provinces economic council

What is APEC?

When radio, TV or newspaper journalists want a comment on the economy of the Atlantic Provinces, who do they turn to? When the governments of the four Atlantic Provinces want an opinion on something they plan to do, or advice on what its effects will be, where do they turn? For the last 39 years, they have turned to APEC, the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council, an independent non-profit research and public policy organization based in Halifax.

APEC's membership includes government bodies, labour unions and academic institutions; but the bulk of its over 250 members come from business and industry; the organizations that hold the key to the creation of the wealth that is the shaky foundation of our economy. APEC's mission is to be an advocate for the responsible economic development of the region, and its staff, including President Dr. Tim O'Neill, fulfil this mission by developing policy positions on current issues and advising all levels of federal and provincial governments. They also provide information and commentary to regional, national and international media, produce publications, and sponsor conferences.

West: Is inter-provincial co-operation going to become a reality?

O'Neill: It is already a reality, although more remains to be done. There are eight to 10 policy areas in which, if the four provincial governments got together, we would get 85 to 90 per cent of the benefit which is likely to come from closer

economic co-operation. We have never viewed political integration as a useful goal. There are so many barriers to its achievement that in the end it would not be worth the effort.

The campaign to make procurement a more open process within and between provinces is important because of the impact it will have on the cost of doing government. This should go down by opening it up to competition. Incidentally, this also removes one major area of potential patronage. If you open it up to wide public tender throughout the region, it is much more difficult to favour those whom a particular government might wish to favour. The procurement agreement has positive political and economic consequences.

The Atlantic tourism agreement signed with ACOA is an important step. It is a policy area in which joint promotion makes a great deal of sense by lowering the overall cost and increasing effectiveness.

West: Has much really been achieved in this field?

O'Neill: It has not been as fast as we would like to see. If you look at what might be considered the ideal result, we are a considerable distance away, but if you contrast the situation with three years ago, we have moved a long way from an almost complete absence of co-operation. Beyond that, I think these initiatives demonstrate some investment in risk taking by our political leaders. It is not ever going to be easy for provincial premiers or ministers to face the possibility that co-operative initiatives will lead to gains for other provinces (e.g. using outside contractors to build schools or roads). This will cause resentments among their constituents.

West: One of the things APEC has focused on in the past year is the link between education and productivity. Is this a reality?

O'Neill: We held an Atlantic Forum on this subject in the fall and it was quite a useful exercise. We are continuing with some background work on the links from learning to work and back to learning, we will focus on the transition from learning to the workplace and on the maintenance of links with the educational system. This is an essential issue if it is true that there



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is going to be a more intensive need for lifelong learning. There is no disagreement on the fact that minimum skill levels—literacy, numeracy, analysis, problem-solving—required for the labour force have risen, even in the most basic entry level jobs. For example, a farmer in Truro recently told me, "The people who work for me now have to be computer literate."

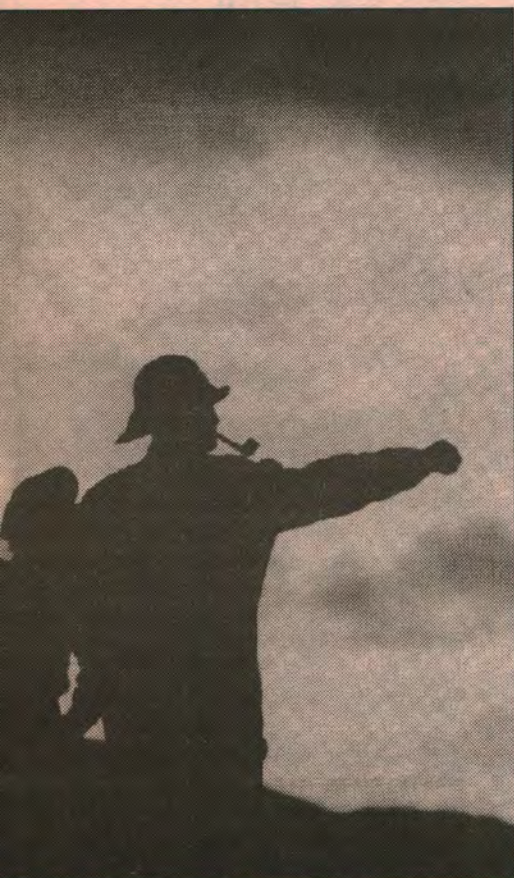
It is argued that the rate at which skills become obsolete has speeded up, therefore we have to have a workforce prepared for and capable of being retrained. The links between the workplace and the learning place have to be maintained and probably restructured.

There is a link between the education system...and how well an economy performs. I would not argue that education is the only answer to...our economic problems, but it is an integral part of economic development. Disadvantaged regions have a more acute problem because rural populations are facing restructuring in more intense ways than take place in urban areas. The decline in resource-based industries such as fishing and pulp and paper mean that the need for occupational and even geographical mobility that education enhances is even more intensive now.

West: The Atlantic Provinces lost 32,000 jobs between November 90 and November 92—isn't that a hopeless situation?

O'Neill: All economies lose jobs during a

Atlantic Canada?



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Economics prof out of the classroom, but still teaching

by Anne West

It is obvious from the carefully reasoned lecture which my questions provoked that Dr. Tim O'Neill believes deeply in teaching economics, whether to students, politicians, business people or journalists, and that he loves doing it.

How did the boy from Sydney, Nova Scotia become an economist? "I started in science at Saint Francis Xavier, then decided test tubes and inclined planes were not what I wanted to do in life," he said. "Then I moved into the humanities and social sciences and did a smattering of those. Economics being my highest grade and probably more like the sciences in the way it works, my path chose itself."

After obtaining a BA from St. Francis Xavier University in 1969 and an MA from the University of British Columbia in 1970, he went on to obtain a PhD from Duke University in 1979 with a dissertation on "The role of non-profit research organizations in policy formation." The sub-title of this thesis was "A case study of the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council and the Institute of Public Affairs" so it seemed almost inevitable that his career as an academic and a consultant lead to his present position, which he describes as "One of the most rewarding things that I have done." In fact, the wheel came full circle when a version of his thesis was published as a 25th anniversary background document for APEC.

Dr. O'Neill lectured in economics at the University of Prince Edward Island from 1970 to 1974, then spent two years at Duke University, and came to Saint Mary's in 1976. He spent 1985-86 on sabbatical leave teaching at the London School of Economics. His interest always leaned heavily towards the economy of the Atlantic region and he developed and taught courses on Atlantic Canada economy. He also took part in the development of the Atlantic Canada Studies program at Saint Mary's, while always maintaining strong links outside academe by serving on regional and national boards and acting as a consultant to government and the private sector.

Why does he believe so strongly in the work of APEC. Throughout his academic career, he says, "I had a very strong policy orientation and that is really the core of what goes on here. We do applied policy analysis focused on the region's economy or those events that would affect the region's economy." He has always been interested in how economic analysis gets turned into economic policy and says, "Here I have had an opportunity to have some influence on the process of translating economic analysis into economic policy." He believes "APEC has served as an educator and a very effective critic of policy."



Dr. Tim O'Neill

disadvantageous places you could find and were surprised and shocked when it did not stay. We learned some lessons from that. To the extent that deliberate attempts to expand the production base of the economy through government policy are worthwhile, the focus has shifted to helping indigenous firms to expand or to more selective attempts to attract outside firms. Firms must have a good reason to come and a good reason to stay.

There has been an attempt to shift the focus to the "front end" of development, away from capital investment assistance. Efforts are being made to facilitate marketing, and to develop human resources. I think that the approach that is being used in government is to become more a facilitator than a funding source.

One of the things we have looked at is infrastructure. Selective spending on infrastructure can be a powerful

development tool. It is a fact that infrastructure impacts on economic productivity and that is part of the argument to expand it. (It is argued that) productivity growth has declined because the amount of spending on infrastructure in the 50s and 60s has not been maintained.

West: APEC said in a recent publication that, "Government assistance has become an oxymoron," what does this mean?

O'Neill: The point is that in the macro economy, of the four major sectors—household spending, investment spending by business, government spending and foreign trade—the only two that seem likely to be a major source of rebound in the economy for the coming year are private investment and exports. Consumer spending is not going up and

governments are not in the game of using fiscal policy to expand the economy any more.

West: How has free trade with the United States affected Atlantic Canada?

O'Neill: Back in 1987/88, APEC determined on balance that free trade would be positive for Atlantic Canada, but not hugely so. What we have had in the intervening period is a major recession not brought on by free trade but by government monetary policy and by recessions elsewhere. Whatever benefits there were from free trade, we have not yet had an opportunity to see them because the Americans went into recession and now we have the Japanese and the Germans moving into recession, so we are likely to see a decline in overall international trade. I still think it will probably be marginally positive on balance.

West: What about the addition of Mexico?

O'Neill: This will probably have a fairly minimal impact on the Canadian economy. The focus of concern has been on low wages in Mexico, but when we were arguing about the Canada-U.S. agreement, we said the American economy is so productive, we cannot compete. Now we say Mexico's wages are so low, that we cannot compete. When talking about competition, we have to look at both relative productivity and wages. You can have an economy that is much more productive and has a higher wage structure and is not substantially more competitive. However, I think studies on both sides of the border indicate that the major beneficiary will be Mexico because it has the most to gain, it is the furthest behind. The Canadian and U.S. economies are pretty much comparable in terms of standard of living.

West: When are we going to see an improvement in the Nova Scotia economy?

O'Neill: Last year I predicted the economy would turn around on August 23, but I refused to name the year!

West: Isn't the prediction game a dangerous one? Don't you influence the economy simply by making negative predictions?

O'Neill: One premier castigated me for economists not being optimistic enough and said this was causing the malaise. My argument was that consumer confidence is much more influenced by how many dollars people have in the bank and how likely they are to continue to have a job than by what I or any other economist says. Besides, we have to maintain the credibility and integrity of APEC. We would look pretty foolish if I predicted eight per cent growth and a two per cent decline occurred.

recession, that is what a recession is. We define a recession as loss of output and when you have that, there is inevitably employment loss. This recession has been different for this region than previous ones. It began in Nova Scotia about five to six months later than in other provinces...we have also not gone through the bottom of that cycle yet, where other provinces have. New Brunswick went in at the same time as the rest of the country and came out sooner.

West: What about Newfoundland?

O'Neill: Newfoundland is very different (from the other provinces) because of critical events in the fishery. (The problem with fish stocks) is on a scale that we have before experienced. The fishery has come back in the past, and may do this time, but probably with a much smaller employment base than before the downturn. The Newfoundland economy is faced with some profound restructuring.

West: How do you feel about the way government has in the past bribed employers to come to the region. Is this a good way to boost the economy?

O'Neill: There have been substantial changes in the way this kind of activity is carried out in the region. We went through a period when we attracted any company that would move, bribed it to move and put it in some of the most

Africa nite



Main picture: Ethiopian students from Saint Mary's and Mount Saint Vincent University who danced and put on a fashion show.

Right: Guests from Swaziland
Centre: Lorraine Ferguson, SMUSA's newly-elected Vice-President, Student Affairs, with her son Ronald
Far right: David Moholo worked hard to ensure the success of the evening
Bottom: L to R: Catherine Adesanya, Phil Okeke and Rose Tchwenko



What can I say about Africa Nite? It was wonderful. Somehow or other the members of the African Students' Association cooked enough delicious food for the almost 300 people who attended. Sure, the entertainment program was a little slow to start, but mistress of ceremonies Kike Bello ad libbed with such charm and vivacity that nobody minded. When they did begin, the dances, songs, fashion parades, poetry and drama were well worth the wait. For non-Africans who attended, what was special was the variety of nations represented, the wonderful costumes and the vitality of the people. We felt very pale and boring by comparison.

Photographs by Anne West

African Students' Association stands out in crowd

Every year, one student society seems to stand out in the milling throng that occupies the Colonnade. This year, the recently formed Saint Mary's University African Students' Association is it.

Association President Dominic Adesanya explains its formation. "There used to be a Metro Association of African Students' Societies, which is now defunct. This created a vacuum...so we decided to start one at SMU to take care of SMU students." But its purpose is wider than that. "The main concern of most of us is that too many people know too little about Africa. They only know what they see on the news, so they get a lopsided view of what Africa is."

Dominic himself has worked for the International Education Centre's Speakers Bureau and has been surprised by "how little the average high school student knows about Africa."

The events that have given the association its high profile include a night of African music in the Gorsebook Lounge, a Valentine's Day fund-raiser which saw members delivering little packets of chocolates dangling from helium balloons, and Africa Nite on February 27.

Is Dominic satisfied with the progress of



Members of the Fundraising Committee for the African Student Association sold chocolates and balloons on February 12 in the Loyola Colonnade. Lorraine Ferguson makes a sale while Isaac Monolani ties balloons to chocolates. The students were raising funds for African Nite.

the association? "We have been around for less than a year and so far, so good, but there are still a lot of things to be done." He adds, "We don't want to be seen as an association that only loves partying. We want to be involved in serious and topical issues and we

have lined up a couple of workshops and conferences in September." In fact, the association hopes to sponsor a speaker each month in the next academic year, perhaps bringing people in from embassies and consulates in Ottawa. On a lighter note, Radio Saint Mary's will air two hours of African music and news each week, starting in April.

Dominic himself is from Nigeria and completes his MBA this year. After receiving a degree in accounting from the University of Lagos, he did a year's national service, then worked for five years in the treasury department of the United African Company. He describes this as a large Nigeria/U.S.-owned manufacturing, trading and service company. How did he and his wife Catherine get to Saint Mary's? He explains, "I wanted to see the world and get some formal education. We did not want to go to Europe, that was kind of archaic. We did not want to go to the United States...so my next choice was Canada. I finally narrowed things down to Saint Mary's or Dal, then I learned that Saint Mary's has the best commerce program in the eastern part of Canada and it offers a very strong finance and banking department." Smiling, he says, "I opted for Saint Mary's, and I have no regrets so far."

World-wide competition

Saint Mary's Commerce students compete in Winnipeg

Fifteen teams from Canada, Germany, Malaysia and the United States met in Winnipeg to compete in the 1993 Manitoba International Marketing Challenge in February.

Kim Doherty, Sim Chua, Glen Mclearn and Barry Colpitts were selected to represent Saint Mary's at the Challenge. After working between 20-30 hours a week since September, the students were able to present the annual report and products of a fictitious company to a panel of judges, better known as the shareholders.

Ravi Tangri, advisor and initiator of Saint Mary's participation in the Challenge says, "It was an incredible week. Canadian teams have always done well at this international challenge. Though we didn't win this year, the team performed very well."

"The diversity of people and cultures was interesting. We saw how different people handled the same problem, which gave us a broader outlook," said team member Barry Colpitts. Added Sim Chua, "The whole competition was based on thinking skills and planning strategies. This team



Barry Colpitts, Glen Mclearn, Kim Doherty and Sim Chua pose with their advisor, Ravi Tangri.

process was beneficial in promoting self-motivated learning, independent thinking and gave me freedom to improve myself."

Team members admit that although this competition was an excellent opportunity for them, it is a process that each student has to look at independently to see if it is the best learning method

for them. The students, all in their fourth year of Commerce, will receive a half-credit in Marketing for their work.

The students were sponsored by Halifax Office Products, Saint Mary's University, Saint Mary's University Student Association, Corporate Communications Ltd. and Tangri and Associates.



Team members Caroline Wolfe, David Seviar and Kevin Smith. Missing from photo, Steven Forgeron

Students visit Far East firms

Ten Saint Mary's international marketing students had the chance to practice what they learned in class when they visited South Korea and Taiwan from February 18-March 6. The students represented Nova Scotia companies on this trip, which was organized by Saint Mary's under the sponsorship of the International Trade Centre of Industry Science and Technology Canada, the Asia-Pacific Foundation of Canada and local companies.

In South Korea and Taiwan, the students met potential customers who had been selected by Canadian government officials and evaluated the market possibilities for the companies they



L to R: Dr. T.S. Chan, Director, MBA Program, Bonnie Kirby, Manager, EMBA Program, with Samuel Liu of H.H. Corporation, one of the companies met by the trade mission, and MBA student Marc DeBellefeuille

represented.

Upon their return, these students will report to their sponsors on pricing in the Far East and whether local products have to be altered to meet that market's requirements. According to Bonnie Kirby, manager of the executive MBA program at Saint Mary's, "The students will experience first-hand the opening

of a trade relationship with a company in the Far East, and their local sponsors will get a foot in the door." Bonnie Kirby and MBA director, Dr. T.S. Chan accompanied the students on their trip.

Students at Business Beyond Borders conference

Four second year Saint Mary's MBA students, Caroline Wolfe, Kevin Smith, Steven Forgeron and David Seviar, attended a conference from March 11-14, designed "to enhance graduate management education beyond the classroom, and to provide insight into our rapidly changing business world."

Business Beyond Borders was the theme of the international conference hosted by students of the Faculty of Administrative Studies at York University. International speakers were Dr. Lawrence Summers, Chief Economist of the World Bank and Marshall Cohen, Chair and CEO of the Molson Companies Ltd. Invitations for the conference were extended to MBA programs and leading corporations in over 75 countries.

Student Business Conference a success




Bringing Business and Students Together was the theme of this year's Atlantic Business Conference (ABC) held February 4-7. Organized and hosted by Saint Mary's business students, the weekend event proved very popular with the almost 100

students registered. Members of the ABC Executive took time out between their sessions to pose for a photo. (l to r) Heather Shirritt, Craig Bannon, Bruce MacDonald, Steve MacDonald, Jody MacIsaac and Terri Beazley.

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CAROL HOORN FRASER

Gallery opening pays tribute to artist's memory

An estimated 270 friends and admirers visited the Saint Mary's Art Gallery on February 10 to see the work of Carol Hoorn Fraser (1930-1991) and honor her memory. Mimi Cazort, Curator of Prints and Drawings at the National Gallery of Canada, opened the show with a tribute which included the words, "When she exhausted one way of painting, she had the courage and nerve to move on to the next..."

The works, including a few from private collections, cover a wide range of topics including landscape and the human body

with its concealed layers beneath the skin. They are done on paper, canvas and linen, with pencil, oil, ink wash, graphite and enamel. They include oils, woodcuts and watercolours and range from sombre black and whites to brilliant colours. They pay a fitting tribute to her memory. The show runs until March 21.

Photos by Claudine Laforce

Below: The Equilibrists 1977-1985, oil on linen 129.5 cm X 103.5 cm



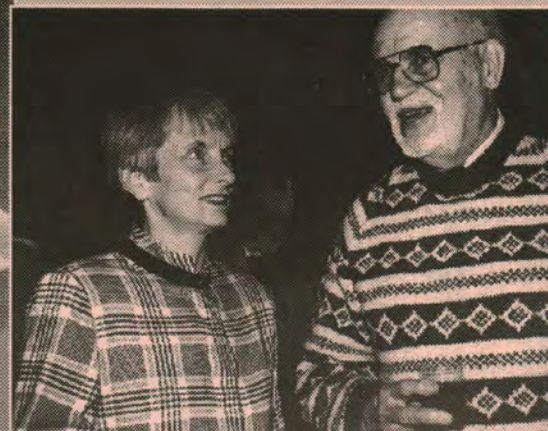
L to R: Betty Moore, Nancy O'Brien and Charlotte Lindgren.



Mary Sparling (L) and Milly Engberg discuss the show.



L to R: Kathy and Murray Brown discuss the works in the show with Saint Mary's Artist-in-Residence, Leighton Davis.



Pat Langmaid and Dr. Fred Matthews chat at the opening.



Maude Rosinski (L) and Renata Deppe take advantage of a couple of chairs for a quick rest during the opening.



Ian Langlands and Lesley Armstrong admire *The Man*, an enamel and ink on paper painted between 1979-83.



Shelagh MacKenzie and Andrew Terris look at *The Guardians*, an oil on linen painted in 1976.



Jane Shaw Law and Anne Stanton



John Fraser discusses his late wife's work with Mimi Cazort of the National Gallery of Canada. In the background is *Moon Alley*, an oil on linen from the collection of Nita Graham.



INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION CENTRE OPEN HOUSE



The International Education Centre hosted an open house on February 3 for members of the Saint Mary's Community. Its purpose was to tell guests about the centre's resource collection, its school and the community programs, its research, its publications and the activities of its Briefing Centre.

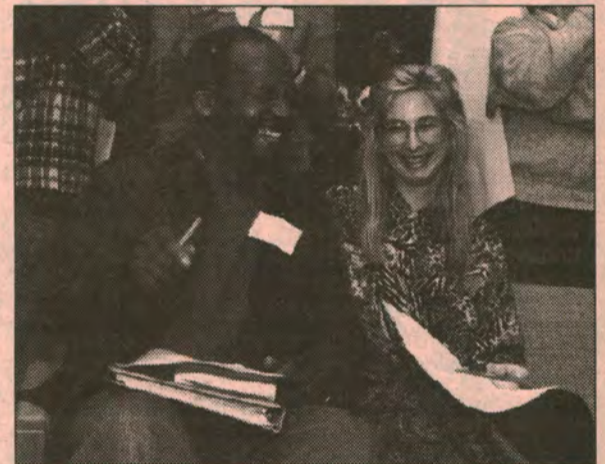


TOP LEFT: Ivy Kusinga (L) talks to IDS student Shawna O'Hearn



LEFT: L to R: IEC Assistant Director Wayne Hamilton talks to IDS student Shawna O'Hearn and Dr. Robert Sargent of the Faculty of Education

TOP RIGHT: L to R: IEC Director Joy Woolfrey talks to Administrative Assistant Loretta Bell and Dr. Jim Morrison of the History Department, Director of the Asian Studies Program



BOTTOM RIGHT: David Moholo, a student from Lesotho, enjoys a joke with Geography student Janice Cavell Hudson

Winter Sport Roundup

Hockey

The Hockey Huskies placed third in their division. They increased their points and wins over last season and finished with a 12-13-1 record. Highlights included beating top-ranked Acadia in Acadia 5-2.

Five players will be graduating this year. According to coach Norm McCauley, five-year veterans Jon Fargo and Willie Allanach both progressed into excellent players during their university careers. Richard MacKenzie, a four-year veteran, came to play every game, worked hard and had some key goals. Joel Cousins was the reason the team had a consistent second half season. He played with depth and consistency and was the team's best face-off man. Brian Himmelman put in two solid defensive seasons, playing an

aggressive game.

Next year's team will be a strong one. According to McCauley, "We have a decent core of returning players. This year's playoffs were tough but it should spur the players on to train hard over the summer and come back strong." About his team's loss to Dalhousie in the playoffs, McCauley says, "We should be able to beat them. Sometimes you have to be knocked down to reach greater heights."

On a side note, a special goodbye to coach Norm McCauley who will be moving back to Ontario in June with his wife and daughter. He hopes to land a coaching job in the Ontario Major Junior League.

Volleyball

1993 was the best year-to-date for the Volleyball Huskies. Their 9-7

record put them solidly in fourth place. Though they were knocked out in the first play-off round, their year held several highlights. Marlene Ouellette was named an AUAA All-Star for the 1992-93 season. For the first time in the team's history, the squad took a match from Moncton.

The team will lose three five-year veterans including three-year team captain, Ann O'Neill, Marlene Ouellette and Monique Rafuse. Says coach Joan Matheson, "They've set a standard that others can aspire to."

There are eight players eligible to return. Strong contenders for the starting line-up next season are Tracy Clinch, Julie Gow, Dawn Tingley and Jocelyn Wade. Several hot recruits are in the wings.

Women's Basketball

This season was a rebuilding year for the basketball Huskies. With five rookies, coach Jill Healy concentrated on developing the team into a cohesive unit. According to Healy, "No matter what the score, the team always gave the effort and intensity. They show a lot of promise for future years."

Three players will be graduating this year including two key guards. Suzanne Muir and Tina Creelman capped off their five years with Saint Mary's with a very strong year while post Christina Chadwick matured as a player during her time with the Huskies, according to Healy.

Players to watch for next season are 6'2" post, Monica Miller who came on strong at the end of the season, guard Sammy Eaton, and Rookie All-Canadian Lori Messer who is expected to set the tone for the team in coming years.

Men's Basketball

The men's basketball season was incredibly competitive this year with several top level teams competing for playoff spots. Saint Mary's qualified for a playoff spot in their second-last game. Their season began slowly with a 1-5 record. According to coach Ross Quackenbush, this could be partially attributed to six rookies joining the squad, and veteran players striking a new balance while redefine their roles on the court.

The Huskies were 11-3 during the remainder of the season with their three losses coming in very close games. Quackenbush credits this turnaround to team members learning what they had to do to win and really believing in each other.

The team will only graduate one player, Jason Darling, a five-year veteran of the squad. According to Quackenbush, he had a great career and was instrumental in a lot of games. The size of the returning squad bodes well for the future of the basketball Huskies and Coach Quackenbush can be very selective in his recruiting, which means the team should be even stronger next season.

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Football Husky makes national bobsled team

In 1990, Jeremy Stewart entered his first bobsled race and placed second in the Ontario provincial championships. Three years later, he has a junior world championship medal and is a member of the Canadian Bobsled team.

How did it happen? "Actually, I was recruited at the Ontario provincials. I was approached by a guy who said he was interested in having me try out for the national team. I didn't really believe him but he called me shortly after and I started going to training camps," explains Jeremy.

His training has been off and on since that point. In 1991-92 he attended Kentucky State and didn't hear anything from the team. "I thought at that point that it was over for me." In 1992, he came to Saint Mary's and made the football team. Says Jeremy, "We didn't have a great football day at the Vanier

Cup, but one of the national bobsled team scouts was at the game. He heard my name called out and contacted me soon after, and in January, I met up with Brad Elberg (running back for Queen's University) and we went to the bobsled nationals in Calgary as part of the Ontario team. We ended up seventh in the two-man and eighth in the four-man bobsled. I was the brakeman in both."

The brakeman, as the last man to jump into the sled, is usually the fastest and strongest runner. Jeremy's training continued and he ended up qualifying as the fastest brakeman on the team. In February, he headed to the junior world championships; stopping in Ingles, Austria to watch a World Cup race then moving on to Corina, Italy for the Junior Worlds. "At this point, I figured I would be in the four-man bobsled because there were only eight of us there (two sleds)." Jeremy continues, "They had me training with Pierre Lueders (a member of the national team from Edmonton) in the two-man sled. I thought it was just part of the training but I ended up racing for Canada in the two-man bobsled and we came third out of 18 countries. It was really exciting for me and the whole Canadian team. It was Canada's first medal in a world championship since 1965!"

Soon after, Jeremy found out he would also be the brakeman for the 4-man bobsled. In practice runs, the team continually placed second, and there were high hopes for another Canadian medal. More practice runs were held the next day, the day before competition. "It didn't feel good from the start," Jeremy explains. "I think the team must have been tired. We started off slow and on turn four, we flipped." Jeremy and a teammate had concussions; all four members suffered burns. "We were supposed



Jeremy Stewart

to do another run later that day but one of the guys ended up in the hospital and I wasn't doing too well. The next day, I had bruises all over and pulled muscles in my legs. There was just no way I could compete."

Back in Halifax writing the exams he missed and catching up on his schoolwork, Jeremy now knows that he has been chosen for the national team. "I plan on being a member of the 1994 Olympic team," he states confidently. With his commitment and work ethic, he will be.

SPORTS

WITH CLAUDINE LAFORCE

Truro Athlete of the Year from Saint Mary's

Brian Johnson has been to the Vanier Cup three times. He has also been a nominee for Truro Male Athlete of the Year three times. Though he wasn't able to take home a Vanier Cup during his years with the Huskies, he has won the Truro Athlete of the Year Award for the first time this year.

A graduate of Cobequid Education Centre in Truro, a school recognized for its student athletes, Brian came to Saint Mary's in 1988. He went to the Vanier Cup for the first time that year. "It was really a learning experience for me, knowing I was part of a great tradition."

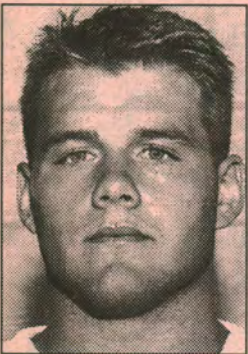
In his second year, Brian broke into the starting line-up in a linebacker position. Though the team lost to Western in the Atlantic Bowl, he was pleased for the opportunity to play. 1990 was one of the hardest years for the team, losing to Saskatchewan in what was Chris Flynn's last season.

1991 had its highpoints and its lowpoints. Losing to Mount Allison in the AUAA Championships put the team out of the Atlantic Bowl, a definite lowpoint. But the Hamilton Tigercats helped Brian forget a little of the pain when they chose him in the CFL draft.

This year was his fifth and final year with the team. "We had something to prove as a team and things went well from the start. We were ranked number one in the country from halfway through the season and went all the way to the Vanier Cup before our first loss," explains Brian. "When you play undefeated football all season, you know you'll have a loss sometime. Unfortunately, it came at the wrong time."

Winning Truro Athlete of the Year was a good way to end off his amateur football career according to Brian. "It was nice to be recognized both within the football community and my hometown community. Some of the guys on the team were there with me: David Sykes, André Williams and Steve Sarty. I guess it was their way to say goodbye."

Brian hopes to play professional football with a CFL team or a semi-pro team in Europe. If neither works out, he will fall back on his education and work in sales.



Brian Johnson

Saint Mary's basketball player named Rookie All-Canadian

At 6'0", Lori Messer stands out in a crowd, but not just among her classmates and friends. Lori, a member of the women's basketball team, has been named AUAA Rookie of the Year and to the Rookie All-Canadian team.

"Lori is the key to our program," comments coach Jill Healy. "With half of our squad being rookies this

year (five out of 10 players), she is an excellent player to build a program around." But Lori is not just a star on the basketball court. In her first year of Commerce, she had a 3.6 GPA at Christmas, making her one of the best student athletes ever for the basketball team.

Lori came to Saint Mary's in September from Colonel Bye High School in Ottawa after being heavily recruited in the States and across Canada. Why Saint Mary's? "I came to Saint Mary's because I knew they were in a rebuilding year and I wanted to be a part of that rebuilding. I also really liked Coach Healy and I wanted to play for her."

And play she did. Lori had an impressive rookie season, finishing fifth in AUAA scoring with an average 15.3 points per game and was 10th in rebounding.

Says Lori, "Coming to Saint Mary's, my goal was to be the AUAA Rookie of the Year. Being named an All-Canadian Rookie was really a bonus."

"Lori has a strong work ethic and even more importantly, she has the drive," says Coach Healy. "She sets high goals for herself and continues to work steadily to reach them. It is great for the AUAA to have players of this strength. I really believe Lori has national team potential."

What can Lori see in her future? "We have another rebuilding year next season to develop the team into a strong core of players. After that, there will be no stopping us."



Lori Messer

Hockey Husky named League MVP

Hockey Husky Steve Kluczkowski took home AUAA MVP, Kelly Division All-Star and All-Canadian honours for his performance this season. With 33 goals, he broke the AUAA goal scoring record of 29 set in 1981 by Darren Pickrem. He is the division nominee for the Sullivan Trophy given to the most outstanding player in the country.

Says Coach Norm McCauley, "Steve has really developed during the three years he has been with the team. Each year he has increased his point total by 10. He is aggressive and tough around the puck. What really makes him stand out is the fact that he has scored these points with three different lines, showing us that he is a very versatile player."



Steve Kluczkowski