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Cabinet "bullish" on business plan:

Minister to write concerns in letter

Since metro's seven universities presented their consortium plan to the Honorable John MacEachern, Nova Scotia's Minister of Education, in December 1995, the academic and administrative community have been as nervous as a student waiting to defend a thesis.

Word finally came at a briefing at the minister's office on February 6, 1995. Cabinet had reviewed the business plan and was generally "bullish" and impressed with the distance the universities had traveled to get to this stage.

"There are some around the cabinet table who are concerned about the lack of specificity on a number of issues," says Saint Mary's President Dr. Kenneth Ozmon, who attended the meeting, "for instance, the possible merger of Dalhousie and the Technical University of Nova Scotia, a single 'world-class' computing science program and a single school of business at the master and doctoral level."

The Minister told the university presidents that he will write to them to clarify

concerns. In turn, the consortium will meet in March to address them.

The business plan requires from government a financial commitment to the universities for three years. Although the Education Minister says he will soon reveal the level of funding institutions will receive for the next year, funding for the subsequent two years remains uncertain — as does the transitional support the plan requires.

"In the meantime," Dr. Ozmon says, "we will continue to work toward setting our budget for the coming year in context of our internal requirements outside the business plan."

At a news conference on December 6, 1995, consortium partners, including Saint Mary's University, Dalhousie, the University of King's College, the Technical University of Nova Scotia (TUNS), the Atlantic School of Theology (AST), Mount Saint Vincent, and the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design NSCAD), announced their blueprint for cutting \$17 million over three years — the amount the provincial government

plans to withhold from the institutions during that period. It calls for early retirement for some faculty, non-replacement of others, extensive academic collaborations, including consolidated training centres for business and computer science, on-site savings in operations, and an administrative partnership called Halifax University Services Limited (HUSL). HUSL will provide services in information technology, registration and admissions, financial management, human resources, payroll, physical plant, and some

aspects of library systems.

The genius of the plan is that this new federation of universities will, despite cutbacks, allow each institution to maintain its integrity, and recognize the rights and obligations of each school's board of governors and senates.

The Consortium grew out of the 1995 Partnership model, spearheaded by Saint Mary's and three other metro universities. □



On the Team Canada Tour of Indonesia, Pakistan and India, Saint Mary's President Dr. Kenneth Ozmon (from the left) met with Indonesia's Minister of Education His Excellency Dr. Wardiman Djojonegoro and Prime Minister Jean Chretien. Dr. Ozmon spoke to a number of high schools and visited the Canadian Education Centre which recently opened in Jakarta, Indonesia. For Saint Mary's, the trip's purpose was to build contacts in that part of the world in hopes of acquiring contracts and attracting new students.

The issue of fair and equitable funding, which remains pivotal to Saint Mary's future, will be addressed in a document by the Nova Scotia Council on Higher Education. It will also be the subject of a forum in April 1996

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Saint Mary's in The Gambia

A new deal between Saint Mary's and the Nova Scotia-Gambia Association (NSGA) will bring university education to The Gambia.

Dr. Kenneth Ozmon, Saint Mary's President, and Mr. Buris Devanney, Executive Director of NSGA signed an initial five-year agreement on January 25, 1996 to ratify an extension program which began in The Gambia in November 1995.

Because The Gambia has no university, its students must go abroad to study. The country's ministry of education has helped students do that, but it's becoming increasingly more expensive, and traditional international opportunities are decreasing. To remedy the situation, the Gambian government wants to deliver post-secondary education at home and has asked Saint Mary's to provide an interim solution.

While Saint Mary's and The Gambia have worked together informally since 1993, the new extension program will admit qualified Gambians as Saint Mary's students and allow them to register for the University's courses. Most professors selected to teach in the program will be from Saint Mary's, but professors from other

Nova Scotia institutions and West African academics will participate, as well. The hope is to create a nucleus of an academic staff for a future University of The Gambia.

The Gambia is one of the smallest and poorest countries in Africa. Since 1985, the Nova Scotia Gambia Association, a non-profit education and assistance organization, has sent some 280 Canadians from provincial high schools and universities to participate in more than 20 development projects. NSGA will be responsible for co-

ordinating the extension program.

In its initial stages, the program requires no new buildings or infrastructure but uses existing facilities in post-secondary institutions. The Gambian government and private sources will finance tuition fees. International donor organizations will likely help fund libraries, laboratories, and other resources, in the near future.

Key to the program's early success are small teams of Canadian and Gambian teaching assistants who help students cope

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The Hockey Huskies enjoyed another season at the Metro Centre. Team captain Roddy MacCormick (centre) and goalie Tyson Johnson (left) hosted the 5th Dartmouth Cub Pack and hundreds of other cubs, scouts and beavers on the season's final weekend. MacCormick coaches many of the boys pictured here in the summer at the Banook Canoe Club.



Acadian dialect retains 17th century French ties

by Renee Field

The reconstruction of a dialect is no easy feat. It takes years of study, interviews with descendants of the original speakers, and countless hours of listening to tape recordings — in short, much patience and love for the language.

Dr. Karin Flikeid of the Modern Languages and Classics Department has been enthralled with the Acadian dialect for 20 years, and is currently reconstructing the original 17th century French language that Acadians used. Although researchers from other Canadian universities are examining Acadian communities in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, Dr. Flikeid is the



In the Language Laboratory, from the left: Dr. Karin Flikeid, professor of French in the Department of Modern Languages and Classics, and two students who are helping her research Acadian dialects — Angelique Doucet, 21, who has conducted interviews in the Baie St. Marie area, and John Aucoin, 21, who has conducted similar research in Cheticamp.

only researcher studying the dialects of Nova Scotian Acadian communities through a comparative approach.

Acadian community fought to maintain its original language. Despite lack of schooling in the early years, little access to the written word, and scant contact with other francophones, Acadians were able to preserve a number of 17th century French traditions, and their language.

In 1755, the British expelled the Acadians from Nova Scotia for seven years. When the exiled were permitted to return, the government only allowed them to settle in small, isolated communities. Separated from fellow francophones, each

“Nova Scotian dialects go back to the 17th century and are the closest to the original language,” says Dr. Flikeid, who has already published several articles on the subject. The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council recently awarded her a grant of \$56,000 over three years to continue her research, called “Dislocation, Continuity and Change: The Evolution of the Acadian French Dialects.”

One component of her work is training students to conduct taped interviews

and transcribe collected material. This year, five students are conducting research in their home towns of Cheticamp, Isle Madame, Pomquet, Baie St. Marie and Pubnico. Since 1983, Dr. Flikeid’s students have interviewed more than 300 Acadians.

“The people I’ve been interviewing have had a good response to the research,” says John Aucoin, 21, a third-year Modern Languages and Classics student, who has been working with Dr. Flikeid for a year. Aucoin has interviewed several people in Cheticamp, his home town. “As an insider, people talk freely to me about anything in the community,” he says. “At home I spoke English. I didn’t appreciate French the way I do now. Doing this research has helped.”

The project has revealed that Acadians use less English in their speech than people had thought. When Acadians do, it’s mainly among themselves when community norms make it appropriate.

“What surprises me most is that despite the distance that separates Acadian communities, there is enormous continuity,” Dr. Flikeid says. “Each community has preserved so much.”

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From the left: Buris Devanney, Executive Director of the Nova Scotia-Gambia Association, and Dr. Kenneth Ozmon, President of Saint Mary’s, exchange gifts of art in celebration of the University’s new extension program in The Gambia.

Last fall, Dr. Jim Morrison, Saint Mary’s History Department, spent seven weeks in The Gambia teaching Global History to 45 students. “I had not taught in West Africa for almost 20 years,” Dr. Morrison says. “Much has changed since then. Some things haven’t — namely the complete commitment, intense motivation and relentless curiosity of West African students. With a mixture of lessons, quizzes and discussion papers, we traced Global History... Without question these Gambian students were plugged in and already tuned in to the world around them.”

Saint Mary’s program in The Gambia is part of the University’s mandate to work within the local and global community. The project will not only broaden the University’s links but will also provide an innovative international opportunity to faculty.

Advancement

The Saint Mary’s Department of University Advancement is constantly challenged to find new sources of private funding for the University.

“In addition to traditional fundraising programs such as the ongoing Building on Strength Capital Campaign and the Annual Fund Appeal to alumni and parents,” says Edmund L. Morris, the University’s Planned Giving Consultant and a honorary degree recipient, “the department has initiated a three-part Planned Giving program in hopes of supplementing and increasing gift opportunities for donors.”

The Planned Giving program offers the following options:

Bequests:

“The good things in your life can go on living” with a bequest by will, whether cash, residual interest, securities or real property. There are attractive estate tax benefits. Donors may designate specific University uses and names for bequests. Funding is especially sought for scholarships, bursaries, Patrick Power Library, Atlantic Centre of Support for Disabled Students, Art Gallery, Burke Gaffney Observatory, regional and international development studies, and departmental funding. When the University receives bequests, it invests them and spends only earnings from the resulting endowment fund, thus ensuring continuance of the purpose designated by the donor.

Life Insurance:

Saint Mary’s appreciates gifts of new or existing life insurance policies. Receipts are issued for the net cash surrender value of existing policies and for donors’ premium payments on new or existing policies



Caron Rambeau, wife of the late Leonard Rambeau, reviews a brochure for the Leonard Rambeau Memorial Scholarship with Don Keleher, Director University Advancement (left), and Dr. Kenneth Ozmon, President of Saint Mary’s. Mr. Rambeau, a Saint Mary’s alumnus and Anne Murray’s manager for 25 years, died of cancer in April 1995. When Murray received the Governor General’s Performing Arts Award recently, she contributed her \$10,000-prize to the fund. The University will award the scholarship annually to a full-time student who has achieved above average academic standing and displays leadership in extra curricular activities.

contributed to the University. The tax savings can be substantial.

Any licensed life insurance counsellor will arrange life insurance gifts to Saint Mary’s. Donors may designate a specific University use for such gifts and may designate gifts in perpetuity with their own name or another’s.

Gift Annuities:

With a simple deed of agreement, the University will pay the total premium for a joint or single lifetime annuity on your behalf from your lump-sum contribution of \$10,000 or more. Annuity benefits are guaranteed for life by the licensed insurance company you designate. The amount of

your annuity will depend on the amount of your contribution, the age(s) of the beneficiary(ies) you designate, and annuity rates in effect at the time of your gift.

How does this gift annuity program differ, tax-wise, from direct investment income? Because Saint Mary’s is a registered charitable institution, that portion of each annuity benefit that represents a return of capital to you becomes tax-free. In many cases, after-tax income will increase.

The Department of University Advancement will gladly respond on behalf of Saint Mary’s to requests for more information or assistance concerning these or other Planned Giving vehicles.

AROUND Campus



Phony monkey bones show evolutionary links

"If a picture says a thousand words," says Dr. Paul Erickson, Anthropology, about his latest acquisition in the Physical Anthropology Lab, "a model says a thousand pictures." He wheels in a life-like skeleton of *Pan troglodydes*, better known as chimpanzee, mounted on a wooden dolly. "This cast brings distinction to the collection," says Dr. Erickson about the lab's bony artifacts, which consists of real and synthesized remains from animals and humans. "I will use this model to illustrate human evolution. It will be great for comparative studies. We're now well set up to interpret the fossil records."

The replica, which France Casting in Colorado crafted for \$1750 US, still needs a name. Dr. Erickson invites the University community to create one that is humorous but "not too disrespectful." Send your submission, and your name and telephone number to Dr. Erickson c/o the Saint Mary's Anthropology Department, and you could win a sweatshirt. Deadline: April 30, 1996.

Note Bene: During the school year, the Physical Anthropology Lab (room 209 in McNally Main) is open to the public on Fridays from 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.



Astronomer for a day

Dr. Michael West, Astronomy and Physics, (right) explains the equipment in the Burke-Gaffney Observatory to Raully Brant, 18, of Hants East Rural High, who visited the University recently on a "job-shadowing" stint. "We're trying to get Raully excited about astronomy," Dr. West said, "so he'll enroll at Saint Mary's."

Indonesian academics learn about networking

Twenty academics from nine Indonesian universities recently completed a week-long training session in "academic networking" at Saint Mary's. Participants examined how Canadian institutions establish networking systems and the professional and personal benefits to those who use them. The course is part of an eight-week program co-ordinated by World University Service of Canada.

During their busy schedule in Halifax, participants met with The Honorable John MacEachern, Minister of Education, and Saint Mary's President, Dr. Kenneth



Ozmon, and Vice-President Academic and Research, Dr. Colin Dodds, as well as with many professors. Besides seminars on campus, the Indonesian visitors attended sessions at Dalhousie, the Technical University of Nova Scotia, the Nova Scotia Community College, the Nova Scotia Agricultural College and Mount Saint Vincent University. Participants were impressed by the openness and co-operation of the educational community in the province. Many made contacts here they hope to nurture after they return to Indonesia.



Bank of Montreal donates \$30,000 at Irish Studies Dinner

At the D'Arcy McGee Chair of Irish Studies Dinner on November 25, 1995, from the left: Dr. Kenneth Ozmon, President of Saint Mary's; Premier John Savage; Mrs. Carol Snider, Vice-President (Dinner Sponsors), Bank of Montreal; Premier of Newfoundland Brian Tobin (fisheries minister at the time) who was honored as Irish Canadian of the Year; and keynote speaker

Dr. Cyril Byrne, co-ordinator of Irish Studies at Saint Mary's.

More than 200 guests attended the sixth annual fund-raising event for the dinner and entertainment, which included Irish dancers and singers, and a Celtic band and harp. The Bank of Montreal announced a three-year \$30,000-donation to the chair. In addition, the dinner raised \$10,000.



Montreal Massacre Memorial Service

The Women's Caucus of Saint Mary's University organized a memorial service on December 6, 1995 in memory of 14 women who were killed by a gunman at McGill University on the same day in 1989.

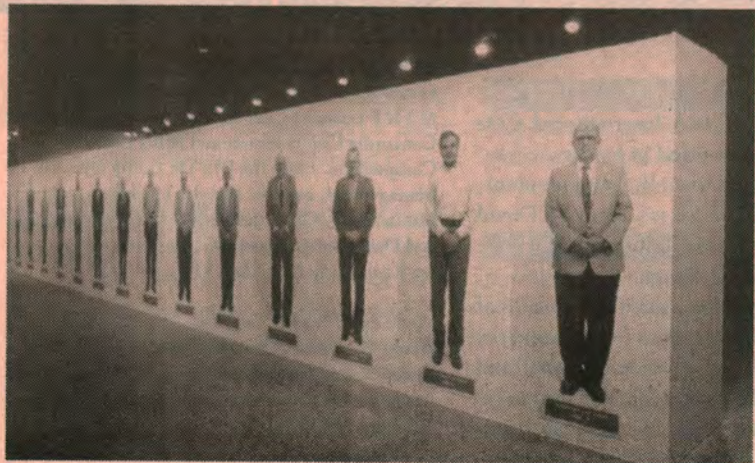
Saint Mary's students and faculty delivered messages and poems about the

importance of fighting violence toward women, and sharing the national and communal grief of the Montreal Massacre.

From the left: Avril Holden-Bell, Nadia Stuewer, Nisa Tummon, Marianne Parsons, Lesa Doucette, Kimberly Stacey and Jo Stern.



Saint Mary's employees raised \$345 for I.W.K. Children's Hospital. From the left: Elaine McCulloch, Safety Co-ordinator, Ann MacDonald, Conference Assistant, Wanda Jewers, child life worker at the hospital.



ART GALLERY

exhibitions

February 21-March 22
Micah Lexier: *Together by Circumstance*

March 27-April 28
Barbara Berry & Terri Robin Vernon

May 15-June 23
Anthony Law & Jane B. Shaw
60 Years of Painting from Nature

performances

March 29, 8 pm
Clarinet / Piano Recital
John Rapson, Clarinet
Peter Allen, Piano

April 12, 13, 8 pm
Thunder, a play with music
Alan Williams, playwright / performer
Paul Cram, composer / saxophonist

Atlantic Centre of Support for Disabled Students

From the left: Karl Kinsman, student; Fred McAvoy, staff; M.J. Nault, student; Michael Osmond, student; Barry Abbott, staff; Chris Noul; Darcy, attendant for Kevin Penny (in wheelchair); Clare LeBlanc, staff; Jane Bagnell, staff; and Chris Grace, staff.



For more than 25 years, Saint Mary's University has spearheaded efforts in making higher education accessible to qualified students with disabilities. In 1968, the University constructed a residence with 21 units specially designed for students with mobility impairments. In 1975, Saint Mary's established a tape library, which continues to expand, to serve visually-impaired students. In 1980, we directed our efforts towards accommodating hearing-impaired students and establishing a formal program of educational support services for increasing numbers of students with moderate to severe disabilities who seek university

education.

When the University officially established the Atlantic Centre of Support for Disabled Students in 1985, it could meet the needs of 10 to 15 students. Today, it serves more than 120 people with moderate to severe disabilities. The screening programs, counselling, sign language interpreting, notetaking, assistive devices, equipment loans, and staff visits to high schools have enabled Nova Scotians with disabilities to participate in the post-secondary education system. Through the centre, people can access the system, and succeed within it.

Alumni Geoff Woodworth and Steven Estey did just that.

Taking control of your life

Fifteen years ago, a car accident left Steven Woodworth physically disabled. That's when he started going places

by Renee Field

Around midnight, on rainy August 6th, 1981, life changed dramatically for Geoff Woodworth, then 17. He was driving along the old Kentville Road, in Nova Scotia, when he swerved his car to avoid a dog.

He can still recall the scene — how many times the car flipped, how on the last roll, it smashed into a telephone pole, leaving him half in the front seat, half in the back.

He survived the accident with all his mental faculties. That good fortune helped ease the pain of a horrific fact: he would never walk again.

After four months in the Victoria General Hospital and nearly three months at the Rehabilitation Centre, Woodworth was ready to re-enter the world. Although he had dropped out of high school the year before, he always planned to return. As soon as he was able to get around in his wheelchair, affectionately called "the chair," he returned to high school. But he felt out of place: he was older than the other

students and in a wheelchair.

He decided he wanted to earn money. In 1986 he started working in Acadia University's Von Library. There he received work experience, and he met his future wife, Pat.

When his job was cut due to funding shortages, Woodworth and Pat moved to Halifax. She found work immediately. Woodworth was jobless for three months. Just when he was beginning to feel discouraged, he met Dr. David Leitch, the director of the Atlantic Centre of Support for Disabled Students at Saint Mary's University.

Dr. Leitch saw in Woodworth a prospective diligent employee. He hired the young man to work on the Innovations project, a government-sponsored initiative which aimed to find employment for trained disabled students. His main responsibility was collecting and inputting research into a database. On his first day of work, March 21, 1988, a winter storm blanketed the

Maritimes. But Woodworth, who lived in Clayton Park, a 20-minute drive to downtown Halifax, would not be barred from his new job. He was the last person to show for the "meet and greet" between government officials, disabled students and the media. After he completed that project, he worked on the Three Centres of Excellence initiative, and, later, the Visual Learning Interpreter Program. "David was a mentor for me," Woodworth says of Dr. Leitch.

Woodworth wanted to earn more money to support his family. To do so, he needed more education and to improve his credentials. He took the General Education Diploma, and a refresher course in math and writing skills at Saint Mary's. Then, while he worked full time, he studied part time for an Arts degree. He later changed to Commerce, "because there were more employment opportunities," he says.

Woodworth says the Atlantic Centre was a place where he could talk to staff about his concerns and plans. "Just having a place



Top: Geoff Woodworth outside his office at the Herring Cove Road Branch of the Royal Bank.



Bottom: Xerox Canada Limited donated two laptop computers each worth \$6,800 to the centre. The computers are designed to help disabled students who have trouble taking notes. Andrew Fuller, a fourth-year Commerce student, C. Wayne Paddock, Systems Manager, Xerox Canada Ltd., and Michael Osmond, a fourth-year Arts student, who is visually impaired, take a laptop for a test drive.

AWARD WINNERS

Young, Gouthro win accounting case competition

For the second time in three years, Saint Mary's students walked away with top honors at the Doane Raymond Atlantic universities accounting case competition. Mark Young and Natalie Gouthro, both fourth-year Bachelor of Commerce students, won first place at the sixth annual competition held in November 1995 at the University College of Cape Breton, Sydney. Students from eight universities entered the competition, which entailed presenting the best analysis and response to a challenging accounting case. In this year's case, students determined whether one company should purchase another in the aquaculture industry, in light of uncertainty surrounding the valuation of its inventory.

"It was pretty in-depth," Gouthro says. "We found out later that it was an actual case."

"We were skeptical about the inventory evaluation," Young adds, "and concerned about what would happen if the evaluation was wrong." Doubts aside, the team won over the judges with their technical expertise and presentation skills.

Dr. Barry Gorman, Chair, Department of Accounting and the team's coach, believes the case method is a good learning tool. "It allows students to get out of rather sterile textbooks and into a bit of uncertainty."

Winners received a cash prize and an engraved silver tray to display at Saint Mary's until the 1996 competition to be held this fall.

MBA team faces highs, lows at fierce Concordia contest

Four Saint Mary's Master of Business Administration (MBA) students beat university teams from Moncton, Windsor and Uppsala, Swe-



den, but lost to Memorial and Western at the 15th Concordia MBA International Case Competition in Montreal in January.

Dr. Cathy Driscoll, Management, coached the Saint Mary's team of David Farquharson, Gloria Jollymore, Deirdre Huskilton, Michael Waugh.

The competition, which attracted 28 of the best and brightest teams from around the world, helps MBA students develop social and professional relationships. Senior business executives judge the cases. ▀

Above left: Saint Mary's MBA students competed in two recent case competitions: Dalhousie-MT&T Business Case Competition; and the Concordia Cup International MBA Case Competition. From the left: Dr. Cathy Driscoll, Management, coached Deirdre Huskilton, John McCullough, Gloria Jollymore, Michael Waugh, and David Farquharson. Missing from the photo are Rania Guindi and Leo Villegas.

Above right: Natalie Gouthro, left, and Mark Young, both fourth-year Bachelor of Commerce students, won first place at the Doane Raymond Atlantic universities accounting case competition in November 1995.

Alumni finds mission through Atlantic Centre of Support

Steven Estey and the Atlantic Centre of Support for Disabled Students share a common goal: make education accessible to everyone

When 32-year-old Steven Estey was 12, he discovered he had lost 50 per cent of his hearing and had to wear a hearing aid. "I was self-conscious about wearing the thing," Estey recalls. "Thank goodness it was during the '70s when boys had long hair."

The device's benefits outweighed its cons. Estey's grades rose. His successes spurred him to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree from St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, Nova Scotia.

In 1985, he volunteered for service in Canadian Cross Roads International and spent four months in Sri Lanka. The exposure to a new culture inspired him to continue his studies. "I was keen to find a way of understanding issues related to relations between Western and developing countries," says Estey, who was born in Newfoundland. "The program at Saint Mary's offered the best opportunity for finding these answers." In 1989, he enrolled in the University's graduate International Development Program.

During his second year at Saint Mary's, September 1990, he discovered the Atlantic Centre of Support for Disabled Students. The centre's director, Dr. David Leitch, wanted a student representative to accompany him to a conference hosted by the National Educational Association of Disabled Students (NEADS) in St. John's, Newfoundland. Estey vol-

unteered. He was so impressed by the discussions and so concerned about the issues that he joined NEADS, helped plan the next conference (with help from staff at the Atlantic Centre), and became president of the association.

"This brought me into contact with many people involved in issues related to access to post-secondary education for students with disabilities," Estey says about his work for NEADS and his affiliation with the Atlantic Centre. "The centre helped students like me find jobs and assess our career options." For many years, the centre ran an office called the Employment Connection devoted to this aim.

Despite his disability, Estey has excelled. He has traveled to many countries, including Jamaica and many Caribbean islands, to work and conduct research. In his travels, he has been moved by average people who make the most of their lives. While he was working on his thesis in Jamaica, he met a woman who sold pineapples by the roadside to support her three children. They lived in a house of scrap wood and tin.

"That woman put all her energy into making enough money to feed her children and send them to school," he says. "To me, she's a hero."

Estey is currently creating a media literacy and organizational development program for Barbados and Trinidad. He also works for the University of British Columbia as an advisor in the Disability Resource Centre. Like Saint Mary's Atlantic Centre, he strives to make education accessible to all. That aim makes Estey a hero, too. ▽

to go and talk to people helped," he says. Moreover, he could complete his exams there and use the computer lab.

In May 1994, after five years of study, Woodworth completed his Bachelor of Commerce with a double major in Human Resource Management and Management. It was a crowning achievement. His parents, grandparents, aunt and uncle and wife attended convocation to watch him receive his degree.

"I couldn't believe the day had come," Woodworth says. "I had accomplished something. My parents thought it was great."

A year before graduation, he began hunting for a job in banking. In January 1993, the Royal Bank interviewed him. A couple of months later, it offered him the position of personal banking officer at the Herring Cove Road Branch. Today, just two things hang on his office wall: a painting and his Commerce degree from Saint Mary's.

University was tough for Woodworth. Like many students, there were days when he wanted to quit. The 31-year-old alumni credits much of his success to tenacity, determination, independence, the support of friends and family, and the Atlantic Centre. ▽



Top left: Brian Levangie, a Commerce student who is visually-impaired, explains how devices at the centre help him study.

Above: On a visit to the centre in February 1996, the Honorable Dr. Jim Smith, Minister of Community Services (left) witnessed demonstrations, including this one by Kevin Penny, seated, and Dr. David Leitch, Director.

NEWSMAKERS

Dr. Sandra Bell was a guest panelist for "Crime and Punishment" on the Maritimes Today in October 1995.

Denis Leclaire, International Activities, was in Israel during the aftermath of the assassination of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin. He spoke to Sally Cummings, ATV Saint John, from Jerusalem on November 6.

Dr. David Perrier, Sociology, Criminology, spoke to ATV's Jonathan Kay on November 8 about using psychics to help solve crimes. On January 30, he spoke to ATV's Dan MacCallum about the right to use surveillance cameras versus the rights of people being monitored.

Dr. Wayne Grennan, Philosophy Department, talked to Merle McIsaac of Parent Today on November 15 about the ethics, pros and cons of getting involved in children's rights.

Dr. Therese Arseneau, Political Science Department, provided commentary on Canadian unity to CBC Information Morning on November 21.

Dr. Leonard Preyra, Political Science Department, spoke to CBC's Information Morning on November 22 about disclosing campaign contributions. On November 28, he spoke to ATV about the situation in Quebec and on December 10 about Prime Minister Jean Chretien's proposed consti-

tutional changes. In January, Dr. Preyra spoke to Ward Smith from Global TV about the legislature's new "nicety" resolution which requires all members to act in a civil manner to other members of the legislature.

Dr. Jamal Badawi, Management Department, spoke on various religious and political issues on MITV, Voice of America, and CBC's Tapestry, and in the Halifax Herald in December.

Dr. Scott Carson, Dean of Commerce, provided background information for the Pictou County Chamber of Commerce life awards to the Sobey family on December 4.

Dr. Kenneth Ozmon, President of Saint Mary's, spoke to CBC National correspondents on January 19 about international students and the opportunity for universities to broaden their markets. On the 24th, Dr. Ozmon told Kelly Ryan of CBC

Radio's Information Morning about the trade mission to Indonesia with Prime Minister Jean Chretien.

Dr. Peter March, Philosophy Department, appeared on MITV's Maritimes Today on January 22 to discuss euthanasia, the act of causing death painlessly to end suffering.

Dr. Andrew Harvey, Economics Department, spoke with Elizabeth Chu of CTV's National News on January 30 about people who moonlight in order to make ends meet.

Dr. Michael West, Astronomy and Physics Department, told CBC Radio's Information Morning on January 19 about the recent discovery of new planets around distant stars. On January 31, CBS Radio in New York interviewed Dr. West about the existence of invisible matter in the universe. ▽

Scholarly & Professional Development

Astronomy and Physics

■ Dr. George Mitchell spent part of his December break at Owens Valley in California observing using a millimetre array. This instrument, consisting of six antennae, each 10.4 metre in diameter and separated by distances up to 250 metres, provides the highest available resolution at millimetre wavelengths. The result of these observations was a picture of outflowing gas from an accretion disk seen in unprecedented detail. After the observing run, Dr. Mitchell spent several days visiting his collaborators at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena.

■ Dr. William Lonc recently assembled a tutorial type radio telescope at Bellarmine College Prep. High School in San Jose, California.

Economics

■ Dr. E.J. Doak made a presentation and participated in a roundtable at the Halifax Meeting of the House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance in November 1995 — all part of the process leading up to the government's next budget.

English

■ Dr. Margaret Harry took over as president (two-year term) of the Atlantic Provinces Linguistic Association at the 19th Annual Meeting in Charlottetown in November 1995. The association elected Dr. Elissa Asp Member-at-Large to the Executive for a two-year term.

Geology

■ Dr. J. Dostal recently published two book reviews in *Canadian Minerologist*, (33): Volcanism Associated with Extension at Consuming Plate Margins by J.L. Smellie. Geological Society London, Special Publication, 1995. pgs. 703-704; and, Ore Elements in *Arc Lavas* by R.L. Stanton. Oxford University Press, 1995. p. 1156. In February, Dr. Dostal conducted an academic review of the Department of Earth Sciences at the University of Windsor, Ontario.

History

■ Dr. James Morrison's book *Alfred Fitzpatrick: Founder of Frontier College* was recently published by Four East Publications Ltd. "It is aimed at the 12- to 15-year-old age group," Dr. Morrison says. "I hope it will help awaken an interest in history at a young age. Each chapter begins with a short fictional encounter to draw the reader in to the factual material about Fitzpatrick's life."

Institutional Research and Planning

■ Judith Murray, Director Institutional Analysis and Planning, was elected president of the Canadian Institutional Research and Planning Association in November 1995.

Library

■ The library has promoted Darrell Yates and Greg Hilliard, both previously level one acquisition clerks, to Clerk II positions, and hired Allan MacPherson and Michael Greer in term Clerk I positions.

Management

■ Dr. Jamal Badawi recently published the following papers (with Dr. Muhammad Jamal): "Job Stress and Quality of Working Life of Self-Employed Immigrants: A Study in Working Diversity" in the *Journal of Small Business & Entrepreneurship*, vol. 12, no. 1, Jan.-March 1995; "Non-Standard Work Schedules and Work and Non-work Experiences of Muslim Immigrants: A Study of a Minority in the Majority," in the *Journal of Social Behavior and Personality*, vol. 10, no. 2, June 1995; "Moonlighters Among Immigrants in North America: A study in Workforce Diversity in the *International Journal of Management*, vol. 12, no. 2, June 1995. American Trust Publications in Indianapolis recently published Dr. Badawi's new book *Gender Equity in Islam: Basic Principles*.

A joint paper by Dr. Hari Das and M. Mahoney called "Volunteer Motivation: Are all volunteers solely motivated by altruism?" won best paper at the Atlantic Schools of Business Conference held in November 1995. The Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute in Calgary has nominated Dr. Das for a two-year term on its India Studies Committee (ISC). Besides making policies governing all research in the Indian Studies area, ISC funds more than 60 researchers, scholars, and students who travel to India each year to conduct research or pursue studies. The appointment is a recognition of Dr. Das's scholarly research in Indian management.

Modern Languages & Classics

■ Dr. Paul Bernard was a member of the organizing committee for the annual conference of the *Association canadienne des professeurs d'immersion* at the World Trade & Convention Centre in Halifax in November 1995. The convention attracted 700 participants from Canada, the United States and Europe. Speakers of note were Robert Scully from CBC's *Venture*, and the Acadian author Antonine Maillet. Dr. Bernard will publish the conference proceedings in a future issue of *Le Journal de l'association canadienne des professeurs d'immersion*.

Philosophy

■ Dr. Rowland Marshall attended two conferences in fall 1995: in September, at the Northeast American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies conference in Ottawa, he presented the paper "The Place of the 18th Century in the Development of Modern Human Rights: Promulgation of Intent to Implement;" in October, he presented the paper "William Blake Sought to Open the Boundaries of Freedom" to the Canadian Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies conference in Windsor, Ontario.

Public Affairs

■ Kimberley Dunn has joined the department as Public Affairs Officer. Dunn holds a Bachelor of Design in Communication Design from the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design. She has extensive experience in the communications industry and is a professional member of the Society of Graphic Designers of Canada.

Religious Studies

■ Dr. Emero Stiegman's new book *Bernard of Clairvaux On Loving God: An Analytical Commentary* is now available through the CF (Cistercian Fathers) series, number thirteen B, from Kalamazoo: Cistercian Publications Inc. (Univ. of W. Mich.), 1995. ISBN 0 87907 1141. "Bernard of Clairvaux has had the not altogether-undeserved reputation," Dr. Stiegman says, "of an intellectual villain, the reactionary 'heavy' at the time when universities were forming. It is easy to understand why modern scholars would not have suspected him, of all people, of transmitting to modernity an understanding of the human struggle which is the most liberal — in a sense, the most philosophical — of all currents in the Christian tradition."

Sociology

■ The London School of Economics invited Dr. John McMullan to speak in February 1995. He presented "The Policing Past: Communal, Private and State Dimensions." Dr. McMullan also presented a paper entitled "Law, Disorder, and Legal Profiteering," at the 32nd

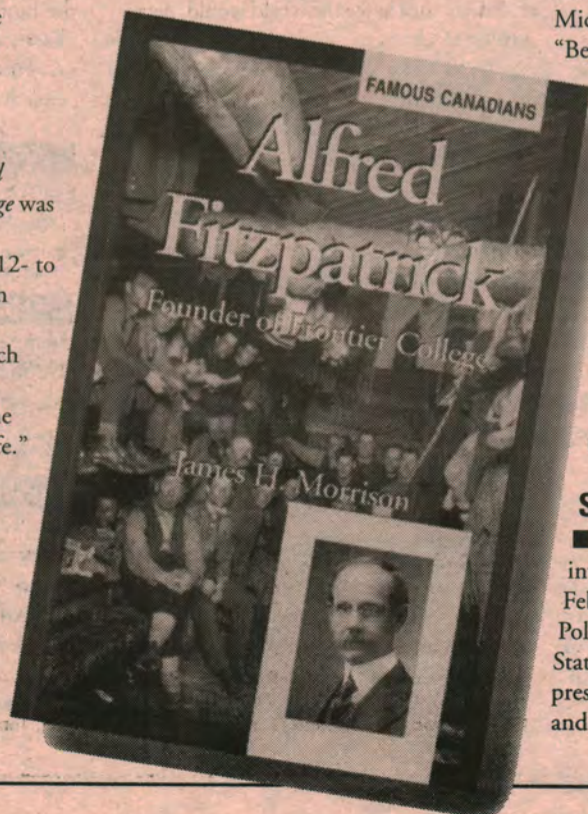
International Congress of the International Institute of Sociology in Trieste, Italy last July. He published two articles in 1995: "The Political Economy of Thief-Taking" in *Crime, Law and Social Change*. An International Journal, vol. 23, 1995; and "Policing, Lawlessness and Disorder in Historical Perspective" in *Post Critical Criminology*, Toronto, Prentice-Hall.

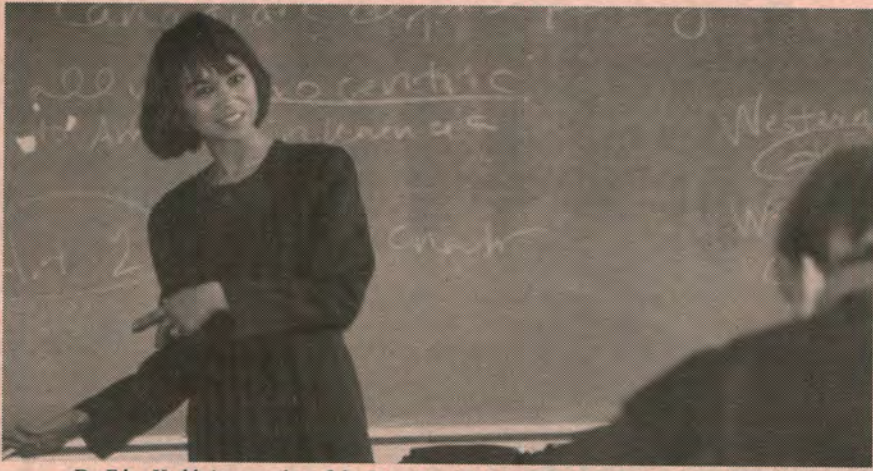
The Genesis Lifeline Society has appointed Dr. Sandra Bell chair of its Atlantic Board of Directors for 1995 / 1996. In October, Dr. Bell presented her paper "An Evaluation of the Impact and Effects of a Criminology Certificate Program on Graduates," at the Conference on Criminal Justice Education at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York.

In November, Dr. Gene Barrett spoke at "Environmental Issues and Canadian Communities," a lecture series presented to the Canadian Studies Program, Meiji University, Tokyo, and the Annual Canadian Studies Conference, Kwansai Gakuin University, Nishinomiya, Japan. In July 1995, Dr. Barrett, Bonnie McCay and Svein Jentoft presented "Global Fishing Villages in Crisis: Embeddedness and Community Development on the North Atlantic Rim" at the XVI Congress of the European Society for Rural Sociology in Prague, Czech Republic. With Tadashi Okudaira, Dr. Barrett published "The Limits of Fishery Co-operatives? Community Development and Rural Depopulation in Hokkaido, Japan," in the publication *Economics and Industrial Democracy. An International Journal*, vol. 16, no. 2, 1995.

Dr. Madine VanderPlaat published her article "Beyond Technique: Issues in Evaluating for Empowerment," in *Evaluation: The International Journal of Theory, Research and Practice*, vol. no. 1, July 1995.

Dr. Andrea Doucet spoke at the Atlantic Association of Sociology and Anthropology in Fredericton in October 1995. She presented her paper "Gender Equality and Gender Differences in Household Division of Labour: Issues of Data Collection and Listening." In November 1995, Dr. Doucet spoke at the Dutch national conference on Time Allocation and Gender: The Relationship Between Paid Labour at the University of Amsterdam. Her paper? "Time Allocation and Gender Identity in Home and Work Life: The Netherlands, Sweden and Britain." She published two articles in 1995: "Encouraging Voices: Towards More Creative Methods for Collecting Data on Gender and Household Labour" in *Gender Relations in the Public and the Private*, London: Macmillan; and "Gender Equity and Gender Differences in Household Work and Parenting" in *Women's Studies International Forum*. ▀





Dr. Edna Keeble is a member of the Saint Mary's University Quality of Teaching Committee.

Teaching and Critical Self-reflection

by Edna Keeble

What critical lenses do we as teachers use to reflect on our teaching so that we can become more effective in the classroom? Stephen Brookfield, Distinguished Professor, University of St. Thomas, in his keynote address to the Professional and Organizational Development Network (POD) conference held in North Falmouth, Massachusetts in October 1995 identified four sources, or opportunities, on which we can reflect: students; colleagues; theory; and self. But while many educators will consider heartfelt comments from students and well-meaning contributions from colleagues, or delve into workshops and books

on innovative teaching and active learning, few use critical self-reflection to hone their teaching skills.

Brookfield believes that by putting ourselves in situations where we are learning an unfamiliar and difficult subject, in which, likely, we are less interested and less capable, we appreciate the struggles some students experience in the classroom. For example, imagine learning how to swim, but being afraid of the water, or learning how to use the internet, without ever having touched a computer. Not everyone is a naturally motivated learner or a gifted student in every subject. We must remember

we are professors of political science, management, mathematics, chemistry or English because we are interested in, and good at, those disciplines. When we were students, there were other students who were less inclined. Similarly, now that we are teachers, there are students who are less inclined.

When we're asked to think critically about our teaching, Brookfield says, we experience feelings of "impostorship," "lost innocence," and "cultural suicide." We begin to question our capabilities as teachers. We feel exposed, that our limitations will be discovered, that we're impostors. We say to ourselves, "There has been a mistake. I don't deserve to be here." Lost innocence comes from realizing that there are no easy answers or solutions to our teaching woes. This uncertainty is unsettling. Our cultural suicide occurs because we *do* learn and grow by thinking critically about our teaching. We find it difficult to admit to this transformation, however, for fear of being seen by our colleagues as different, or outside the norm. These feelings of impostorship, lost innocence and cultural suicide erode our self-confidence as teachers. But by recognizing them, Brookfield says, we can overcome them.

In the classroom, we should push ourselves to try innovative ideas and methods, even if they're unsettling at first. After all, whatever helps students become better learners is a signal that we are becoming more effective teachers. ▢



Hard times on hardwood

The men's Huskies basketball team has played a year of tough wins and tougher losses. Many games were lost in the last minutes — even at the buzzer.

At press time, the Huskies had secured a playoff spot. The team plays the University of Prince Edward Island in the quarterfinals of the Atlantic University Basketball Conference (AUBC) on March 8.

Rookie Jordan McCormack broke the AUBC-record on February 8 by scoring 10 three-pointers against St. Francis Xavier University.

"We've played some good basketball throughout the year," Coach Ross Quakenbush says. "It's simply a matter of being more consistent and developing some confidence."

Hockey Huskies make playoffs

The Hockey Huskies charged into the New Year with grit and determination. Road wins helped turn the team around. They ended the regular season with a 10-15-1 record, which secured third spot in the Kelly Division and pitted them against the Acadia Axemen, conference champions for the past four years. Game One in the Metro Centre ended in a narrow 3-2 win for Acadia. At Game Two at Acadia, the Huskies lost 10-2.

The Acadia Axemen went on to defeat the Dalhousie Tigers in three games. They won the 1996 Kelly Division.

Volleyball Huskies dig deep

The Volleyball Huskies may have had a great season, but they're not resting on their elbow pads. This young varsity team posted the best record ever for volleyball at Saint Mary's with 12 wins and 4 losses. (1995 was 10-6.) (see Volleyball next page)

Putting women in the forefront

Religious intolerance, human rights abuses, poverty, genocide, war, the quality of health care, and education — these are some of the issues that concerned participants at the fourth United Nations Conference on Women, held in Beijing, China last year.

Dr. Helen Ralston and Dr. Linda Christiansen-Ruffman of the Saint Mary's Sociology Department participated in two inter-related conferences on women: the official one, the Fourth World Conference on Women: Action for Equality, Development and Peace from September 4 to 15, 1995; and the non-governmental organization (NGO) forum from August 30 to September 8. The goal of the official conference was to reach consensus on a platform of action on equality, development and peace.

For Dr. Christiansen-Ruffman, the events provided a chance to discuss women's issues from a comparative perspective. She

represented both the Women's Global Alliance for Development Alternatives (WGA) and the International Sociological Association.

She and Dr. Ralston participated in a session organized by an ISA research committee called "Challenges and Promises of Comparative and Collaborative Research: Toward Global Partnership." They also helped organize planning meetings and discussions about proposed policy changes to official conference documents.

The human rights discussions were an enlightening part of the NGO forum and official conference as women from around the world reported atrocious abuses.

"This was a UN conference for China. China wanted to prove they could organize. This was their chance," Dr. Ralston says. Many women who tried to go to the conference encountered problems registering for hotel rooms and obtaining Visas in time. "We

considered these problems part of our 'immunization for frustration,' given the many logistical problems," Dr. Christiansen-Ruffman says. "Yet nearly everyone who went learned a great deal and found it worthwhile."

"At the United Nations, the universities and scholarly associations such as ISA are considered to be part of the NGO sector," says Dr. Christiansen-Ruffman. "We worked closely with grassroots organizations and with researchers from around the world to discuss contemporary issues and to describe the world through women's eyes. Unfortunately, through their eyes they see injustice, inequality, violence, greed and ecological destruction. The challenge is to create a more just world."

Although both professors say the Beijing-born platform for action falls short of this challenge, they agree the world would, nevertheless, be a better place if it were put in motion, and that it's time for governments and the UN to live up to their promises. ▢

COMINGEVENTS

Saint Mary's University Commerce Society 22nd Business Dinner
Tuesday, March 12, 1996, 6 p.m. for 7 p.m.
Port Royal Room, World Trade and Convention Centre. Keynote Speaker Tom Gray, Vice-President Finance, IBM Canada Ltd. Students \$29 Staff/Alumni \$39 Businesses \$49
For more information call: (902) 422-6206

Environmentalist Mr. Jon Grant, "Environmental Stewardship — the right thing to do!"
Presented by the Visiting Speakers Committee

Wednesday, March 6, 1996
7:30 pm, Theatre Auditorium, McNally Main Administration Building

George Elliot Clarke, Nova Scotian critic, poet and educator, "Historiography, Poetry and the Question of 'Africadia.'"
Monday, March 11, 1996
7:00pm, Theatre A, Burke Education Building
Presented by the English Department and the Visiting Speakers Committee. For information, call Uzo Esonwanne, 420-5595. ▢



Four Huskies suited up for the Tim Horton's Cup Atlantic Universities Hockey Club all-star game on February 2. From the left: Jared Steenbakkers, Sean Redmond, Bruce Hopkins, Saint Mary's Athletics Co-ordinator, J.P. Bordeleau, Tim Horton's franchise owner, Tony McCabe, and Dave MacIntyre.

Coast to coast:



Tower member goes the distance

In motion: John Webb at Black Rock Beach, Point Pleasant Park, Halifax

by Virginia Jackson

Run 4,000 miles — the distance between Halifax and Vancouver — that's what John Webb aimed to do. It would have been an ambitious goal for anyone, let alone someone carrying 45 extra pounds and puffing two packs of cigarettes a day.

But in 1973, Webb, then 27, decided to take control of his life. The smoking went first, then the weight. Health and fitness became an obsession. He started walking at lunch time. He increased his speed to jogging, then to short-distance runs.

When Webb joined the Tower in 1987, he was running four to six miles, five days a week. He increased his distance to eight, then 14 miles, five to six times a week. Like the other serious runners, he recorded his miles on the chart provided for members.

"The Tower is close to Point Pleasant Park which offers miles of roads and paths, all geographically unique," says Webb, who is also a photographer. He runs several different routes and keeps his eye out for great photo opportunities. Often, Webb will complete his run and then return to the park to photograph a scene which caught his eye during his workout. That's how he captured "The Runner," his award-winning photo of a runner passing through woods bathed in rays of light and rising ground fog.

"While on vacation on Vancouver Island, I went for a run and dipped my foot into the Pacific Ocean. I vowed that when I reached the 4,000-mile mark (the distance across Canada) I would do the same on the East Coast." This became Webb's main reason for charting his miles.

Webb has suffered setbacks. Years ago, he discovered he had a knee problem. When he switched his warm-up to yoga exercises, it seemed to abate. Then there was that scuffle with an automobile. As he approached the 3,000-mile mark of his 4,000-mile goal, a car struck him as he ran through an intersection. "I took a tumble, but I got up and kept running," Webb says. "There didn't seem to be any damage." He later discovered the accident injured his lower back and left hand. For eight months, he had to hang up his running shoes and undergo physiotherapy.

Webb finally stuck his toe in the waters of Black Rock Beach on June 1, 1995. He had run 4,000 miles. It had taken him seven years and three months, and a lot of determination.

His other accomplishments? "I ran the Michelin Marathan sponsored by Saint Mary's in just over four gruelling hours," Webb says. "It was a fantastic accomplishment and I'm glad I did it." He also carried the Olympic torch outside Sheet Harbour on its way across Canada in 1987.

These days, Webb runs for maintenance and stamina — 30 minutes, three to four times a week, followed by hour-long workouts in the weight room. He's 60 pounds lighter, a non-smoker and proud to be able to go the distance. ♡

The Department of Astronomy and Physics will host the 12th "Kingston Meeting" on Theoretical Physics — this year on computational astrophysics — on October 12-19, 1996.

The department has established a WWW homepage for the meeting where people can register, submit papers, contribute links to interesting simulations, and reserve hotel rooms. The address? <http://apwww.stmarys.ca/kingston/>

The McKinley Group's professional editorial team has given the site "3-Star" rating, in Magellan, its comprehensive Internet Directory of more than 1.5 million sites and 40,000 reviews. Congratulations! ♡

Tower

WINTER ACTIVE -Fitness Class Schedule - Monday, Jan. 8 to Sunday, Mar. 31, 1996

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
9:15 - 10:15 am "Dynamite" Low Jane	9:30 - 10:15 am Hips, Abs & Thighs Helen	9:15 - 10:15 am "Total Conditioning" Jane	9:30 - 10:15 am Hips, Abs & Thighs Pat	9:15 - 10:15 am Step & Pump Pat	9:15 - 10:30 am "Eye Opener" High/Low & Shape Shari	10 - 11:15 am "Cardio Combo" Cathi
12:05 - 1 pm Step "Struck" Helen	12:05 - 1 pm Step & Pump Helen	12:05 - 1 pm High/Low Connection Pat	12:05 - 1 pm Step & Pump Helen	4:10 - 5:10 pm Step "Struck" Cathi	10:30 - 11:30 am Step "Struck" Cathi	3 - 4 pm Aqua-Fitness Erin
4:10 - 5:10 pm Step & Pump Pat	4 - 4:55 pm High/Low Connection Jan	4:10 - 5:10 pm Step & Pump Jan	4 - 4:55 pm High/Low Connection Shauna	5:15 - 6:15 pm Challenge Aerobics Delores	4 - 5:15 pm "Tower of Power" Aerobics Delores/Jan	4 - 5:15 pm Step & Sweat Delores
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Volleyball continued

"We have been playing steadily all year," says Laurie Welsh Hawley, Coach of the Volleyball Huskies. "But the pressure won't be on our team to win the title."

The Huskies failed to beat Moncton Blue Eagles in the first round of playoffs (15-5, 15-12, 15-2). Despite the loss, they have proven themselves to be contenders for the 1997 championship.

Team's zest for camp undampened by foul weather

The Huskie Women's Basketball team spent last summer fund-raising for its winter training camp in Florida, and besides low temperatures, frost, fog and a tornado warning, the trip was worth the effort. "We've been trying to put this together for several years," Huskies Coach Jill Healy says. "The players put a lot of work into fund-raising. We couldn't have gone otherwise."

"But it's a good thing we didn't go down just for the sun," she continues. "We couldn't see the New Year's Eve fireworks through the fog."

At the 10-day camp, which began on December 27, 16 Huskies trained, honed their skills, defined team roles and shot hoops with other visiting Canadian college teams. Healy says the trip allowed the team, which recruited seven new players in September and is suffering growing pains this year, to get to know each other. There were few opportunities before the first game in November to find out what made each player tick. The Huskies hoped some Toronto Blue Jays-style training down south might heat up the team for a strong second half of the season. Training entailed daily runs on the beach and three-hour practices at the Long Fitness Centre in Clearwater.

In St. Petersburg, the Huskies met four other women's basketball teams from the University of Manitoba, Ryerson Polytechnic University, and the University of Alberta. "Scrimmaging and practising against Manitoba, the top-ranked team in the CIAU (Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union), was intense and gave our players a good sense of their abilities at playing tough against top teams," Healy says. During the week, the Huskies entered two teams into round-robin play against the three schools, which allowed every player full game time.

Coach Healy says the team's biggest asset is the players' belief in themselves. "We've had a long, hard struggle all year," she says. "It's just a matter of time before we put things together. If not this year, we'll have to be reckoned with next year. Our goal was to work harder than anyone else in the conference."

The Huskies secured the fifth playoff spot after winning their last six games of the regular season. In their final league game against the University of Prince Edward Island, Jad Crnogorac led the team, with 43 points, to a 84-74 win. On March 1, the team tipped off against host St. Francis Xavier but lost (73-66) during overtime. ♡