

**"I can see for miles...  
and miles... and miles...  
and miles."**

Space buffs Stephen Goobie and Dr. David Turner are conducting research at the Burke Gaffney Observatory, a facility located on top of our twenty-two story Loyola Residence complex. From there, the two can see the planets and stars that are so far away from earth. Their voyage into space from the University's powerful telescope is on page 4.

Saint Mary's University, Halifax, Nova Scotia

# The TIMES



November, 1998 • Volume 30 • Number 2



**Irish President Receives Honorary Degree From Saint Mary's** See Story page 7

## Government Provides \$2.75-million for Saint Mary's

by Paul Fitzgerald

In the words of Senator Al Graham, Saint Mary's is a thinking University with a heart – a special place of deep intellectual commitment which has centred on the education of the whole person. It's a place where business administration and the arts, athletics, and the sciences are part of a deeper, richer landscape centered on community service and human values – one which not only has become an important outreach to the global community, but has become a microcosm of the planet here in Atlantic Canada.

He said these words recently to a large crowd of faculty, staff and students in the lobby of the new Sobeys Building at a news conference held to announce that the federal government will provide \$2.75 million in

funding for the new facility and the newly renovated Loyola Academic Complex. This significant contribution will be used to assist Saint Mary's in providing leading-edge business training to local entrepreneurs, managers and corporate leaders.

Senator Al Graham, Leader of the Government in the Senate and Minister responsible for Nova Scotia, on behalf of the Honourable Fred Mifflin, Secretary of State for the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency, delivered the news of funding under the COOPERATION Agreement on Economic Diversification on September 17. Joining Senator Graham were Saint Mary's President Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, O.C. and Student Union President Trevor O'Brien.

"This new facility at Saint Mary's is an invaluable tool for our region's economic development and dramatically expands the

University's ability to host meetings, conferences, seminars, workshops and other learning events for the business community," says Senator Graham. "Full and part-time students, visiting business leaders and local entrepreneurs will all find exciting new opportunities in these classrooms and meeting spaces."

He says that at this time, at the start of a new academic term, the campus overflows with energy and new commitments, with promise and with new beginnings. Nowhere is that energy and promise more evident than in the fully wired building, named in honour of Frank H. Sobeys, a leading Canadian businessman who passed away in 1985.

"Now Frank Sobeys learned about business from the sawdust of his father's butcher shop in Stellarton and at a very tender age started reading the *Financial Post* and grocery trade

magazines avidly," he says. "In fact, when he was still a boy he had already made a one hundred dollar profit buying shares of Canada Cement on margin."

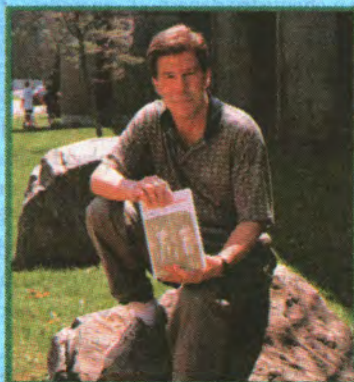
Senator Graham says that Frank Sobeys would be happy to spend time in the new facility on campus, and how intrigued he would be with words like "Internet" and "globalization."

The successful history of Saint Mary's has been built on leadership, vision, commitment and innovation. Our success is a tribute to our faculty, staff and students, says Dr. Ozmon. "Our continued growth as the region's leading business school along with our strong contributions from the faculties of arts and science will benefit not only Nova Scotia but the region and Canada. This new high-tech facility will erase borders and challenge conventional teaching and learning. It is a vision

Continued on page 7

## INSIDE BOX

Dr. Paul Erickson has teamed with one of his former students to write *The History of Anthropological Theory*. See story on page 5.

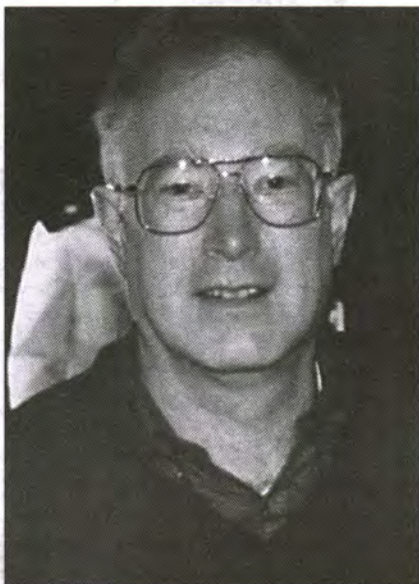


### What's Inside...

- The life and times of Dr. Jack Ginsburg.....page 2
- First mini-university in The Gambia .....page 4
- Meet Nova Scotia's new Archbishop.....page 4
- Commerce textbook is extremely popular .....page 5
- Our Field Hockey player from Barbados .....page 8



# As good as they get – Jack Ginsburg



by Paul Fitzgerald

The stale summer heat trapped in the walls of the old science building makes it feel like an oven, siphoning the energy out of its dreary inhabitants over the course of the past few months. Like a gust of cold wind, it's suddenly replaced with crisp autumn air that signals the beginning of another academic year in the life of the institution.

The stillness in the halls is suddenly taken over by the chatter of voices, and the hustle and bustle of people racing about as they go about their research and academic duties in time for the weekend. Yet there is a certain sense of order to it all. After all, it's just another Friday in September on the fifth floor.

But amidst the chaos, one can hear the gentle voice of a woman speaking to another woman as she sifts through her late husband's belongings.

As she goes through the boxes and stacks of paper, Louise Ginsburg reminisces about the good times her husband had as a chemistry professor for almost three decades. This summer, the Saint Mary's community lost one of their most respected and cherished professors, Dr. Jack Ginsburg.

"Jack Ginsburg personified the word 'integrity,'" says Dr. Keith Vaughan. They began their teaching careers at the University in 1969. And from the first moment they shook hands, they immediately became close colleagues and friends. "He loved chemistry and he loved teaching it," he says. "When Jack passed away I lost a personal friend, a colleague, and a confidante. He cannot be replaced."

These same feelings are being echoed by many since the sad news of his death hit the campus. Integrity, thoughtfulness,

intelligence, a good sense of humour, and a legendary wine lover, are all ways he has been described since he passed away in late August. His fiery red hair won't soon be forgotten either.

Just recently, his co-workers, former students, and other friends attended a service on campus to celebrate the life of Jack.

Born in Philadelphia, his love of science was evident early on. As a teenager, he developed a passion for chemistry after watching chemical company ads showing the marvels of organic chemistry. He received degrees from Temple University, Pennsylvania State University, Rutgers University, and McMaster University.

He arrived at Saint Mary's to teach the following year. Four other chemists were hired that same year.

Outside of the classroom and chemistry lab, he wore many hats at the University. He will go down in the Saint Mary's history books as one of the founding members of the University's Faculty Union. And, at the Union's first general meeting, he was made President.

He also served as Department Chair of Chemistry, Acting Dean of Science, Member of the Board and Senate, and as a member on numerous committees.

*"Jack was a very special person who touched the lives of many people and made them feel valued"*

In 1988 his ability to make students "think" and become more involved in the field of chemistry earned him the Father Stewart Medal for Excellence in Teaching – a highly prestigious award granted each year to a faculty member for their outstanding teaching performance and dedication to working with students outside the classroom.

"Jack was a very special person who touched the lives of many people and made them feel valued," his wife reveals. She sits at his office desk, peering over the books and papers, and then glancing at the rows of shelves filled with books. The emotions run deep, but her fondness for her husband brings a smile to her face. Her energy is contagious as she talks about her late husband. "There are just so many neat and interesting stories to tell about this special man," she says.

And how true. In a light-hearted tone, Dr. Rob Singer, another colleague of Jack's, describes the night he saved his life. You see, Dr. Singer was one of his students in the eighties. Following a chemistry department dart tournament held at a local downtown pub, the professor and student made their way home in the early hours of the morning. "I lived on Tobin Street and Jack lived on Maclean Street. So, we took the same route homeward together," he says. "As it was the middle of January, it was very cold. Since my place was along his way, Jack stopped by for a hot bowl of my famous suicide chili to get warmed up. I claim that bowl of chili saved his life that night, and that it thawed him out before he finished his trek home. He tended to

agree with this view," laughs Dr. Singer.

Even after Dr. Singer went on to pursue graduate studies at Simon Fraser University in British Columbia, he and Jack kept in touch. And eventually he too was hired as a chemistry professor at Saint Mary's.

Dr. Vaughan has his own "Jack story" – the day he wore a pair of mismatched shoes to work. "Yes, Jack wore odd shoes," he says. "This was amazing because although Jack dressed casually, he was a stickler for neatness. We were standing by the catwalk that connects the McNally building to the Science building, around morning coffee time. I looked down and I noticed he had odd shoes – one brown, one red-brown. I was so surprised I couldn't help exclaiming 'Jack, you have odd shoes on.' He looked down and said, 'My God, you're right.' He looked around furtively and took off in the direction of his office. I didn't see him until lunch, by which time he had been home and got his shoes matched. I kicked myself for not keeping quiet because I could have made a few bucks on bets with other faculty that Jack would never wear odd shoes."

Dr. John O'C. Young, arrived in the chemistry department around the same

time as Jack. He says that he instinctively turned to Jack for guidance on how to be a university professor, a role for which he was not prepared for as he came from a mainly non-academic industrial background. "I found Jack to be knowledgeable, influential and adept in human relations," he says.

Dr. Young remembers Jack as an effective leader during the stressful times that many faculty members experienced during the formation of the Faculty Union. "While circumstances then and subsequently, have occasionally placed faculty and administration in adversarial roles, the fact that our differences have been worked out in an atmosphere of civility and mutual respect owes much to the personal style and negotiating tone set by Jack."

When it came time to select a good bottle of cheap wine, Dr. Young could always count on Jack.

Elaine McCulloch, the campus Health and Safety Coordinator, and a former chemistry professor, says that her first memory of Jack is his great bush of fiery red hair when she met him in 1970. She says that he was a warm, fun-loving person with a keen intelligence, and was renowned for his sense of humour and his placid but strong personality.

"His contributions to Saint Mary's are too numerous to mention," she says. "He contributed at every level to the tremendous advancement of this University which occurred in the seventies and eighties."

Jack was a familiar face outside his department as well.

Dr. Milt Chew of the finance and management science department knew Jack for about 20 years. He knew him as a fellow faculty member on the University Senate and on the Faculty Union Executive. Jack was also a member of the "cribbage-playing gang" at lunch time in the faculty lounge.

"In my view, Jack played a major role in the growth and development of this University," says Dr. Chew. "I will surely miss him."

Dr. Richard Twomey of the history department also knew Jack for many years. "He was a special colleague and friend, and what struck me about him was a combination of qualities: his breadth of interests and concerns, his competence and reliability, and his sense of humour," he says. "He brought all these qualities to both his academic and personal activities, whether it was addressing an issue in Senate or in a Faculty Union meeting, or bantering over countless cribbage games with his friends and colleagues in the faculty lounge at lunch."

The chemistry department secretary, Chauna James, worked next door to Jack. "He was a great person," she says. "They don't come as good as Jack. Everyone liked him, and he always had a smile on his face. He's really missed around here."

No one knows that more than his wife Louise.

"I can hear you talk about my man," laughs Louise as her head peers through the doorway that connects both offices.

"Of course you can," smiles James. "And you always will."

The fifth floor moves onward with its daily routine on that fall morning. Louise continues to go through her husband's belongings. After his belongings are gone, the memories of Jack will remain at the University forever.

Even though the change of seasons takes place every year, it takes a while to get used to the sudden crisp of the fall air. The loss of Jack will take even longer. ♦



The Times is produced by the Public Affairs Department of Saint Mary's University. Submissions from faculty, staff, students and friends are welcome.

Telephone: (902) 420-5518  
Fax: (902) 420-5511  
E-mail: Chuck.Bridges@stmarys.ca  
E-mail: pfitzgerald@husky1.stmarys.ca  
E-mail: penny.murdock@stmarys.ca  
Internet: www.stmarys.ca

Director of External Affairs: Chuck Bridges  
Editor: Paul Fitzgerald, Public Affairs Officer  
Sports: Penny Murdock, Public Affairs Officer

Design: Chris Reardon Graphic Design

©Copyright by Saint Mary's University. All rights reserved. Contents may not be reproduced without permission.

*Donations in memory of Jack may be made to:*

**Dr. Jack L. Ginsburg  
Chemistry Scholarship Fund**  
Saint Mary's University  
Development Office  
923 Robie Street  
Halifax, NS, B3H 3C3



# AROUND Campus

How many people does it take to cook a meal?



Lots! On September 13, Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, O.C., President (front), hosted his annual President's Dinner for new students in the Residence Cafeteria. The event was a success as many students had the chance to meet Dr. Ozmon, senior administrators and faculty at the University.

## President's Neighbourhood Barbecue



Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, O.C., President, is always trying to recruit new students to Saint Mary's, no matter what age they are. Here he talks with Jonathon Lampier, and Mike Bridges at the President's Neighbourhood Barbecue, an annual event enjoyed by many.

## Welcome New Faculty



Just part of the new full-time and part-time faculty at Saint Mary's. The Quality of Teaching Committee hosted a lunch for the newcomers, where they were joined by Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, President, Dr. Colin Dodds, Vice-President of Academic and Re-

search. From the left (front): Dr. Paul Dixon, Dean of Commerce, Dr. Nancy Muise, Accounting, Dr. Keiko Aoki, Modern Languages and Classics, Dr. Barbara Petzen, Women's Studies, and Margaret-Anne Bennett, Director for the Office of Instructional Develop-

ment. From the left (back): Dr. Wesley White, Environmental Studies, Dr. Dale Hennigan, Accounting, Dr. David Guetter, Philosophy, Dr. Eric Sullivan, Chemistry, and Dr. Cathy Driscoll, Management.

## Chemistry Team at Queen's



Dr. Marc Lamoureux, Chemistry Department (far left), and Chemistry students Nadia Nizam, Kathleen Duggan, and Aaron Skelhorne presented posters at the 44th International Conference on Analytical Sciences and Spectroscopy (ICASS) which was hosted by Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario, and attended by nearly 250 conferees. The event was a unique opportunity for the students to discuss their research with other university students and professors. Nizam presented her work on the analysis of airborne particulate matters, Duggan showed her work on the

development of a novel method for the analysis of toxic metals in fingernails, and Skelhorne presented results from a novel pre-concentration technique for the analysis of metals in seawater. The team were the only undergraduate students presenting their research at the ICASS conference, and most participants thought these students were Ph.D candidates or postdoctoral fellows. Dr. Lamoureux was also invited to present an oral presentation at the ICASS conference on the team's latest results on solid state chemical speciation of environmental samples.

## Our student is now Miss Black Canada!



Tamara Tynes

The historic title of the first Miss Black Canada belongs to a Nova Scotian and a Santamarian! Tamara Tynes, a Truro native, competed with 34 other contestants from across Canada for the title in Toronto. Tamara is a first-year arts student who plans to major in criminology, and then go on to law school.

## "Dean of Arts Office... Joan Speaking."

It was a typical hot summer day back in the mid 1970s, and Joan Whitney went up on the roof of the Rice Residence building to sunbathe during her lunch break. Well, after an hour of soaking up the sun, she picked up her towel and other belongings, and made her way to the door on the roof. But to her surprise it was locked, and there she was, trapped 16 stories above the ground.

"Yes, I was very worried that day," laughs Whitney. She's the Secretary to Dr. Michael Larsen, Dean of Arts, and has lots of good stories to tell about her 25 year career at Saint Mary's.

She was locked on the roof all afternoon. It wasn't until well after 4:00 pm that a student went up there to also sun-tan, and found Whitney in a worried state. Since then, she has stayed grounded when sun tanning, and

found the back lawn of the Oaks on Gorsebrook Avenue a much more comfortable spot to soak up the rays.

"I'm surprised that no one missed me that afternoon," she says. "I went out for lunch and never came back, and I thought there would have been all sorts of people out looking for me. But then again, it was very quiet here on campus, so that's why I probably wasn't missed."

After graduating from Shaw's College in Toronto, she came to work as a secretary in the commerce department at Saint Mary's in 1973. Shortly after arriving, she became the first secretary for the economics department.

By 1976, she received a call from the Personnel Office, indicating that Father William Stewart wanted to interview her for a position in the Dean of Arts office. It



Joan Whitney,  
Secretary for the Dean of Arts.

was during this time that Father Stewart was the Acting Dean of Arts. She got the job, and has enjoyed it so much that she just couldn't picture herself working anywhere else.

"I learned so much from

Father Stewart," she says. "He was a terrific man who is still very special to my heart."

Whitney says that Father Stewart was there for her family when she gave birth to her first child, Meredith, who at the time suffered heart complications. "I was terrified to go down and see my daughter in such a state, and I was very worried," she says. "Well, the doctors and nurses finally got me down there to see Meredith, and there was Father Stewart washing his hands and putting on a gown to go in and see her. When I saw this, I just knew that Meredith would be a healthy girl, and live a long life."

He had such an impact on her life that when her son was born, she of course had to name him Stewart.

For the past nine years she has worked closely with Dr. Larsen.

"He's just terrific," she exclaims.

She says that it was an extremely busy time at the University when Dr. Larsen arrived. "It was the summer, and I remember that we had to compile a report to the provincial government outlining the roll of the University," she says. "It was good training for Dr. Larsen and me, and we got to know each other very quickly."

She says that he works just as hard today as he did when first arrived here as Dean of Arts. "Dr. Larsen is dedicated to his job, and he is just great to work for."

She is the kind of person that doesn't talk much about herself. Instead, she only has good things to say about others. But if you ask just about anyone on campus about Joan, they'll have only good things to say about her too. ♦



# A Voyage Into Space

From page 1

The first thing Stephen Goobie does when he enters the Burke-Gaffney Observatory is look out the window in the computer area. He's been up there lots of times, especially during the summer months, and yet the view still remains breathtaking. The clear blue water filled with sailboats well over 100 feet below fits in like a charm with the prestigious South End homes.

But there is another view that Goobie can't seem to get enough of either – outer space and the clusters of stars that seem to go on forever.

He's a student enrolled in the astronomy and physics program and spent the summer months researching stars from the observatory, a facility located on top of the 22 story Loyola residence building on campus.

The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) and Nova Scotia Links funded the project, which was overseen by Dr. David Turner, a professor in the astronomy and physics program.

The technology used in the Observatory is up to date. Attached to the 16" reflecting telescope is a camera that feeds pictures into computers one-level below.

"All of the stars observed were in the Milky Way," he says while hitting a key on the computer that brings up an image of stars.

He says that the research deals with stars called Cepheid variable stars. They are stars between 3 and 30 times the mass of the sun, and so they evolve very fast and are very hot and bright. These stars are not burning hydrogen in their center's like our sun, but instead are either burning hydrogen in the shells around their center, helium in the center, or

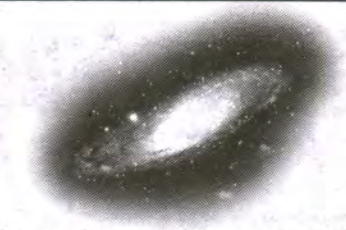
helium in the shells, depending on the mass of the Cepheid and how old it is. So, at some point in their lives, the surface of the Cepheid star becomes unstable and starts to expand and contract like a spring, growing hot and then cool. These changes can be detected from observatories by measuring changes in the brightness of the star.

He says that Cepheids have periods – time between being bright, then dim, then bright again – of between 2 days to 50 days. This length of time makes them a good object for a summer project.

"The most important thing about Cepheids is that their periods are related to something called their luminosities," he says. "What this means is that if we see a Cepheid with a certain period on Earth, we will expect a certain brightness. We won't see this brightness, because the amount of

light reaching our eyes or cameras depends on how far away the star is. So, comparing what brightness we would expect from the period, and what brightness we see, we can determine the distance to the Cepheid. And if the Cepheid is in some distant galaxy, we can also know the distance to the galaxy. A godsend for astronomers."

He says that as Cepheids evolve and get older, burning up all of the fuel inside the star, the periods begin to change. So, a star's pulsation will either speed up or slow down. "If we compare the period we observe now to a period observed in 1930 or 1940, we can find this rate of period increase or decrease," he says. "Knowing this explains what is happening at this point in the star's evolution." ♦



## Saint Mary's Holds First Mini-University in The Gambia

Saint Mary's University is no stranger to Mini-University programs. Over the years, the University has invited youth aged 10 to 15 to spend time on campus where they can learn about university life and begin to consider future academic options. This past summer, however, Saint Mary's put a spin on the program when it conducted a Mini-University exchange with The Gambia.

During July, two Gambian students, Isatou Ndow and Demba Ceesay, came to Saint Mary's to teach in a two-week Mini-University program. In August, they

returned to The Gambia with two Saint Mary's students, Tyler Waugh and Allison Hines, where they all taught Gambian high school students at the first-ever Mini-University in the country. Student teachers were selected on the basis of faculty recommendation as well as their interests, qualifications and personalities.

Tyler Waugh, a commerce student, taught business during Saint Mary's Mini-University 1997, and acted as coordinator for the 1998 in-Canada program. His interest, enthusiasm and hard work in the project earned him an unexpected trip to

The Gambia in August. Tyler taught two, two-week training sessions to grade 11 and 12 students on essential university skills such as researching, presenting and developing papers. He was thrilled with the opportunity and says he would definitely go back. "I learned a lot in The Gambia and really enjoyed the people," he says. "The students were motivated, optimistic and very pleasant to teach."

This exchange of students is part of a Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) project, "Capacity Building for Higher Education in The Gambia."

This year was the first of the five-year program; over the next four years, the Nova Scotia Gambia Association (NSGA) and Saint Mary's will continue to collaborate to offer Mini-Universities in The Gambia.

High school students in The Gambia weren't the only ones attending summer school. Gambian students involved in Saint Mary's University Extension Program (SMUEP) continued their Saint Mary's University education for credit during the summer months as well. In 1996, Saint Mary's began teaching courses in The Gambia, and is currently helping the country set up its first university through the CIDA project. In February 1999, 76 Gambian students are expected to graduate with Bachelor of Arts degrees from Saint Mary's University under the SMUEP.

Saint Mary's professors Kathy Mullane, Manager of Facilities & Programming of Athletics and Recreation, and Dr. Terry Day, Director of the Atlantic Canada Centre for Environmental Science, taught courses in The Gambia this summer under the SMUEP. Mullane says the students were the best part of her adventure in The Gambia. "The students I taught worked so hard," says Mullane. "They really were the highlight of my trip." Students' feelings towards Saint Mary's professors must be the same. This year, two Gambian students in the program have come to Saint Mary's as full-time students. In the meantime, a lot of letters are being sent across the Atlantic Ocean. ♦

## "Taking this position is like coming home again," says new Archbishop

It's just before 9:00 am, and Terrence Prendergast makes his way through the office of the Catholic Centre like a figure skater on ice. With his coat and briefcase in one hand, he grabs a stack of mail with the other, and then begins for his office, saying his pleasant morning hellos, and maneuvering his way around those moving from office to office. A pro he is, but it's just part of getting started as the day begins.

He's Halifax's newest Archbishop, and says he's honoured to take the job. Just recently, his Holiness Pope John Paul II named Most Rev. Terrence Prendergast, SJ, to the position. He replaces Most Rev. Austin E. Burke, who retired earlier this year.

"It's awesome to take such a position," he says. "Halifax is the place where I did my first work as a priest, so it's like coming home again."

Born in Montreal in 1944, he joined the Society of Jesus in 1961, and was ordained to the priesthood in 1972. He had been Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Toronto since February 1995.

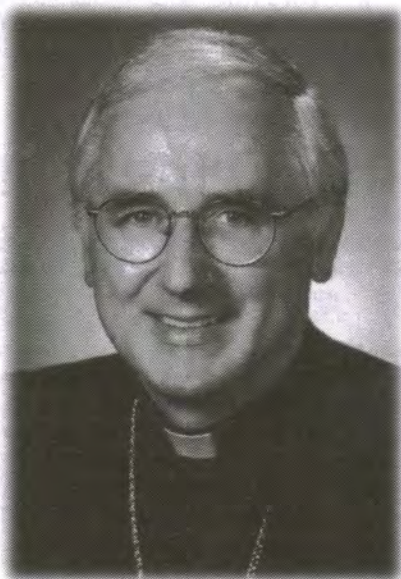
He's never worked on the campus of Saint Mary's, but yet he has the only

earned Doctorate from the University. From 1958 to 1978, Regis College in Toronto was affiliated with Saint Mary's. This meant that he and others studied in Toronto and their degrees were granted from Saint Mary's. He also holds a Bachelor of Arts from Fordham University, New York, and a master's and licentiate in technology from Regis College at the University of Toronto (also granted through Saint Mary's). In addition, he taught from 1981 until he was named Bishop, and served for three years as the Dean of Regis College.

Archbishop Prendergast lectured in New Testament studies at the Atlantic School of Theology in Halifax where he also served as Director of Priestly Formation from 1975 to 1981.

"In this role, I have to build on what Archbishop Hayes and Archbishop Burke have left behind," he says. "I knew both of these people well, and building hope in the church is a strong thing for me."

He says that the biggest challenge facing him, as Archbishop is to staff the parishes. "I need to go on a recruitment drive, and I need to encourage young men that this is a future worth opening them-



Archbishop Prendergast

selves to," he says. "We also need to encourage women to dedicate themselves to the church."

He was installed as Chancellor at the Saint Mary's Convocation Ceremony on October 25. His successor Most Rev. Burke is recovering from a successful colon cancer operation.





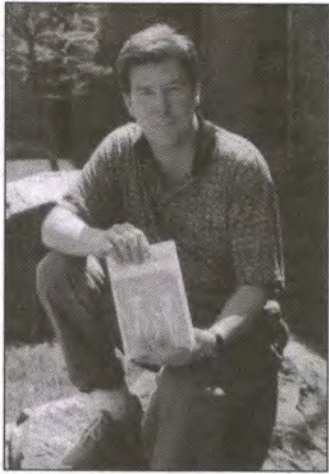
## Professor and Alumnus Team Up to Write Popular Book

After learning that there was a real desire for a comprehensive textbook that explores anthropology throughout the years, Dr. Paul Erickson and Liam Currie didn't waste anytime getting down to work.

The anthropology professor at Saint Mary's and his former student have just released *The History of Anthropological Theory*, a popular book not only on campus but at other prominent post-secondary institutions in North America, such as the University of Berkeley California. This well known University has ordered a large number of books so that their students can learn more about this field of study. Other institutions are expected to pick up the book soon.

Dr. Erickson came up with the idea, and began writing the book in the Fall of 1996. When he needed a second set of eyes during the editing phase, he called on Currie, who received his Honours degree from Saint Mary's in 1992. He is now a graduate student at Yale University.

It turned out that Dr. Erickson liked his edits and suggestions so much, that he asked him to assist in the writing the book.



Dr. Paul Erickson, Anthropology Department, teamed up with a former student to write *The History of Anthropological Theory*.

"It was great to team up with one of my former students who has a great deal of knowledge in anthropological theory," says Dr. Erickson. "There was a need for such a text, and we made sure that we would be the ones to get the job done."

The book is based on a senior-level undergraduate courses that Dr. Erickson has been teaching at Saint Mary's for more than 20

years. He says that much like the course, the book adopts the North American framework for anthropology as a general discipline with specialized sub-disciplines of linguistic anthropology, archeological anthropology, physical anthropology, and cultural anthropology.

He says that unlike many comparable texts, which begin in the eighteenth or nineteenth century, this book begins in Antiquity, in the understanding that all sub-disciplines of anthropology are deeply rooted in Western experience.

Currie says that it feels "terrific" to have been part of the project. "I would like to draw attention to how well rounded the book is. By that I mean the way in which we try to incorporate many different aspects of the history of anthropology," he says. "We do not discuss anthropology merely in terms of its history as an academic discipline, but attempt to frame it as part of the history of ideas, originating in Antiquity and developing in the context of over 2000 years of European civilization."

Dr. Erickson says he has only received positive feedback from those who have already read the book. ♦

## In the News...

Dr. Jamal Badawi, management, appeared on *Global TV's Maritimes Today* to talk about the appeal of the human rights tribunal ruling to pay millions of dollars in back pay to civil servants.

Dr. Leonard Preyra, political science, was a talk show guest on *Global TV's Maritimes Today*. The topic was Quebec sovereignty. He talked with ATV about federal-provincial co-ordination on the Halifax's bid to become a superport. He spoke with *Global* about the implications for Canada of Clinton's political difficulties. He commented on *Global TV* on the APEC demonstrations and Chretien's role in handling them. He delivered a "report card" on Chretien's second term as PM. He spoke to the *Toronto Star* about the NS legislature's Fall sitting. He spoke to *Coast* magazine about Election contributions in the 1997 and 1998 federal and provincial elections, and about changes in Nova Scotia's political culture. He did an interview with ATV on the PC leadership selection process. He spoke with *CBC TV (First Edition)* about Votes of non-confidence and the legislative agenda in Nova Scotia. He spoke with *Maclean's* magazine about Premier McLellan's leadership and the possibility of a Spring election. "Fighting Words", the very successful political program on Channel 10 is on the air again this season.

Therese Arseneau, political science, took part in a political discussion about the fall sitting of the House, on CBC's *Information Morning*.

The conferring of a honorary degree on Irish President Mary McAleese appeared in many of the local media, as well as the *Globe and Mail*, *Ottawa Citizen*, *Vancouver Sun*, *Telegraph Journal* (St. John), the *Cape Breton Post* and several Irish media.

Ellen Farrell, management, was interviewed by CBC radio's *Information Morning* about business angels - those who invest in new business when the banks won't.

Dr. Anne Marie Dalton, religious studies, talks about the role of grief counseling in the *Chronicle-Herald*.

Dr. Patricia Fitzgerald, management, was quoted in the *Globe and Mail* about men entering the nursing profession.

Dr. Michael West, astronomy and physics, was interviewed by the *Herald* about his course "Life in the Universe," now being offered on the Web.

Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, President, appeared on *Breakfast Television* during frosh week. His comments at the news conference announcing the ACOA funding of The Sobey Building appeared in the *Herald* and the *Daily News*. Dr. Ozmon's appointment to a new federal board set up to promote Canadian education abroad appeared in the *Herald*.

Barry Soper, economics, appeared on *Global's Maritimes Today* to talk about the economic implications of the aging baby boom and the shrinking population of younger people.

Dr. Hermann Schwind, management, was quoted in the *Herald* about the phenomenal success of *Canadian Human Resource Management - A Strategic Approach*, the textbook he and colleagues Dr. Hari Das and Dr. Terry Wagar have authored.

Trevor Stienburg, Huskies' hockey coach, appeared on *The View's A.J., Harv and Company*, along with football coach Blake Nill.

Dr. Paul Erickson, anthropology, spoke to *CBC's Midday* about Halifax's Northend - the first planned community in the country.

Dr. Laura Methot, psychology, was featured in an article in the *Herald* about workplace behavior.

Dr. Kenneth Hill, psychology, was quoted in the *Herald* in a story about the need for stress counseling for search and rescue volunteers.

David Lane, astronomy and physics, was interviewed by the *Herald* for a story about a meteor storm in November.

Joe Murphy, Irish Studies, was interviewed by the *BBC's Scottish Gaelic* radio stations in Inverness and again in Stornoway on the Isle of Lewis in connection with the loss of the Swissair 111 flight.

Bonnie Kirby, Manager for the Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA) program, was interviewed by *Atlantic Progress Magazine* about etiquette during important business dinners.

## Honourary Degree - Tadashi Okudaira

Todashi Okudaira is known as being a well respected scholar in the field of geography both at Saint Mary's and at the Hokkaido University of Education, Japan.

His scholarship concerning the social geography of the Donan region of Hokkaido is respected, he has served his own institution as well as Chairperson of the Geography Department, Chairperson of the International Exchange Committee, and most recently as Dean of his College, a position that is equal to that of a Vice-President Academic and Research at Saint Mary's and other Canadian universities. He has

been instrumental in the internationalization of Hokkaido University through providing Japanese research opportunities to faculty and facilitating exchange of students and faculty between Hokkaido University and Saint Mary's University.

He was a Visiting Scholar to Saint Mary's in 1989, where he taught two and one half courses on Special Topics on Japan.

His hard work and dedication in the field of geography has earned him an Honourary Doctor of Education at the Fall Convocation on October 25. ♦



Todashi Okudaira

## Commerce Textbook Enjoys Phenomenal Success

When half of the universities and colleges in Canada are using a textbook you've written, you know you've got a good thing going.

Just ask three professors from Saint Mary's University. Hermann Schwind, Hari Das and Terry Wagar, all from the Department of Management couldn't be happier about the success their human resource management textbook is having.

Over 130,000 copies of Canadian *Human Resource Management - A Strategic Approach* have been sold in Canada alone. It is a book intended to be used in the Canadian market, but it is also used in Canadian management programs in Hong Kong. There are 65 universities and colleges in Canada using the textbook for the 1998/99 academic year - that covers about 50 percent of the market.

No other human resource management textbook even comes close to the success of the Saint Mary's professors' textbook. The other 50 percent of the

market is shared by five other human resource management books.

One of the reasons for the success of the book is the manner in which the material is presented. "The feedback we get from instructors and students is that our book is very readable," says Dr. Schwind. "We made a great effort to illustrate theoretical concepts with practical examples, to show students how the concepts work in practice. In each chapter, we make many references to actual Canadian company events, again illustrating the practical side of HRM."

The textbook also features "spotlights on HRM," written by a practitioner and highlighting aspects of issues from the practitioner's point of view. The book contains the regular textbook features and several new ones, including world wide web addresses of relevant sources of additional infor-

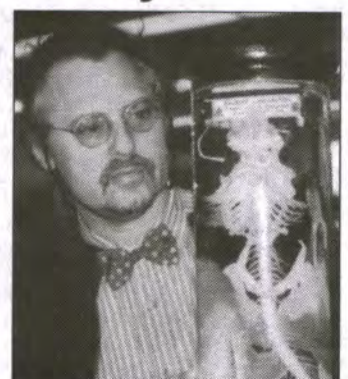
mation and word and picture definitions in the margins of the pages.

Teaching aids are another feature of this textbook. "The usual overhead transparencies are offered, as well as a full Powerpoint slide presentation for each chapter, a disk with interactive cases for students, a computerized test bank, and a video package with integrated cases relating to different chapters," says Dr. Schwind. There is also a separate home page for the book with additional teaching aids and other support on the publisher's, McGraw-Hill web site.

"As authors we were under tremendous pressure to meet the deadline so the book could come out in time for the fall semester," says Dr. Schwind. "We met all deadlines, but it meant sacrificing evenings and weekends. But when you see the success we have had with our book, it makes it all worthwhile." ♦

## Searching for a Cure for Big Blue at Saint Mary's

First there was Free Willy, and now we've got Big Blue. And Big Blue has an infection that needs to be cured before she can move into her new home in the Tennessee Aquarium. Dr. David Cone, a biology professor at Saint Mary's University is working on a strategy to eradicate the pesky parasite affecting Big Blue. Pictured here is Dr. George Benz, Chief Research Scientist at the Aquarium and Director of the Southeast Aquatic Research Institute, who recently visited Saint Mary's to discuss Big Blue's problem with Dr. Cone. Dr. Benz was also featured in last



Dr. George Benz

month's issue of *National Geographic* for his work with the Greenland Shark. ♦



# ~ Scholarly & Professional Development ~

## Marketing

It is notoriously difficult to get a paper accepted at the Academy of Management Meetings. However, **Dr. Sanjay Sharma** has had papers accepted every year since 1993. Only 5% of the papers accepted at the Academy are included in the *Best Papers Proceedings*. His paper was included in the 1997 Best Paper proceedings: "A longitudinal investigation of Environmental responsiveness: Strategies, Antecedents and Outcomes." In August he presented "The biotechnology industry and strategies of biodiversity preservation" paper at the Academy of Management meeting in San Diego (co-authored by Oliver Nguan). That same month he also ran a workshop on "Internet Based Teaching for Web-Shy Faculty" at the Academy of Management meetings. This workshop was nominated for the most innovative workshop category at the Academy meetings. Dr. Sharma has also had two articles published. The first is "The influence of risk propensity and managerial interpretations on biodiversity preservation strategies" (co-authored with Oliver Nguan), and appears in the *Journal of Business Strategy and the Environment*. The *Journal of Applied Behavioral Science* published a second article he wrote, "Corporate environmental responsiveness strategies: The role of issue interpretation and organizational context."

## Management

**Dr. Albert Mills'** latest journal article, "Cockpits, Hangars, Boys & Galleys: Corporate masculinities and the development of British Airways" appeared in the May edition of *Gender, Work and Organization*. In June he co-organized (with Deb Hurst from Acadia University) and chaired a session on Critical Approaches to Organization at the annual meeting of the Canadian Sociology and Anthropology Association, meeting in Ottawa in June. In early July he presented and co-authored a paper with Dr. Sonja Novkovic, Economics Department at Saint Mary's on "The Impact of Employee Ownership on Organizational Control and Decision-Making in a Competitive Market Economy: A gender sensitive perspective" at the 16th International Colloquium of the Standing Conference on Organizational Symbolism meeting in Guarujá, Brazil. In mid-July he co-presented a paper (with Dr. Jean Hatfield, Mount Allison University) on "A Shock to the System: Re-engineering the Culture. A case study of BPR in a Canadian Utility Company" at the 14th International Colloquium of the European Group for Organization Studies, meeting in Maastricht, Holland. In August his article, "Toward an Agenda of Radical Organizing" appeared in a special edition of the *Canadian Review of Sociology and Anthropology*, an edition that he also edited. Just last month saw the appearance of the second edition of his co-authored book, *Reading Organization Theory* (with Tony Simmons, Athabasca University).

## Finance and Management

**Dr. Harvey Millar** recently published the following journal articles: Millar, H.H. and M. Kiragu, (1997) "A time-based formulation and upper bounding scheme for the selective traveling salesperson problem," in the *Journal of the Operational Research Society*; Millar, H. H. and M. Kiragu, (1998) "Cyclic and Non-Cyclic Scheduling of 12-Hour Shift Nurses by Network Programming," in the *European Journal of Operational Research*; and Millar, H.H. (1998), "Using rolling planning horizons to plan fishing trips under uncertainty," in the *Computers and Operations Research*. He also presented papers at conferences. His paper with Yanqun Cai of DalTech entitled "Lagrangian Schemes for Capacitated Multi-Item Lot Sizing with Setup Times" was presented at the Joint Information and OR Society and the Canadian OR Society conference in Montreal. And Dr. Millar recently delivered a lecture at the National Council of Black Educators Conference in Montreal. The workshop was entitled "Can Technology Improve the Performance of African Canadian Learners: A Critical Examination."

## Chemistry Department

**Dr. John C. O'C. Young** presented a paper on "Computer Mediation of a First Year Chemistry Laboratory Program" at the 15th Biennial

Chemical Education Conference of the American Chemical Society at the University of Waterloo.

**Dr. Marc Lamoureux** was selected to be the 1998 Spectroscopy Society of Canada (SSC) Tour Speaker. This award allows a Canadian Spectroscopist to travel to the United States to present his/her research to local sections of the Society of Applied Spectroscopy (USA). As the 1998 SSC Tour Speaker, he presented an Invited Paper at the 13th Lake Arrowhead Conference, California. He was also involved in the organization of the EnviroAnalysis '98 Conference which took place in Ottawa in May. Research in analytical and environmental chemistry was the prime activity in his lab. In July, some research was carried out at the Stanford Synchrotron Radiation Laboratory, California, where the chemical nature of airborne pollutants and contaminated sediments were probed using an intense x-ray source. Canada does not have such a facility, so his team felt very fortunate to have access to this first class synchrotron x-ray research facility. In late August, he was invited to present an oral contribution at the 15th International Congress on X-Ray Optics and Microanalysis (ICXOM) in Antwerp, Belgium. This allowed him to initiate a research collaboration with Professor Freddy Adams of the University of Antwerp to do microanalysis of environmental samples at the particle levels using electron microscopy. He presented an Invited Paper and a Mini-Course on "New Trends in Chemical Speciation" at the Federation of Analytical Chemistry and Spectroscopy Societies (FACSS), Austin, Texas in mid-October. Lastly, the National Executive Committee of the SSC nominated him to the position of Director of the Atlantic Region of the SSC. His role will be to promote spectroscopy in the Atlantic region and to coordinate activities relevant to spectroscopy.

## Sociology

**Dr. Madine VanderPlaat** had two journal articles published recently: "Empowerment, Emancipation and Health Promotion Policy" in the *Canadian Journal of Sociology* 23(1); and "Emancipatory Politics, Critical Evaluation and Government Policy" in the *Canadian Journal of Program Evaluation* 12(2). This summer she also attended two conferences and presented two papers. At The Society for the Study of Social Problems, 48th Annual Meeting in San Francisco this past August, she presented "Health Canada: Negotiating Relationships Among and Within Academia, Government and Community." At the Canadian Evaluation Conference (CE98) in St. John's in June, she presented "Empowerment Evaluation in Practice: Lessons from the Atlantic Regional Evaluation of CAPC" (with Pauline Raven, Yolande Samson and Lynne Vivian-Book).

**Dr. Gene Barrett** (with R. Apostle, P. Holm, S. Gentofte, L. Mazony, B. McCoy, and K. Mikalsen), just had their book published. It's titled, *Community, State and Market on the North Atlantic Rim. Challenges to Modernity in the Fisheries* (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1998).

**Dr. John McMullan** has published the following articles in academic journals. "The Arresting Eye: Discourse, Surveillance, and Disciplinary Administration in Early English Police Thinking" in *Social and Legal Studies*, an international journal; "Social Surveillance and the Rise of the Police Machine" in *Theoretical Criminology*, an international journal; and "Policing Reform and Moral Discourse: The Genesis of a Modern Institution" in *Policing: an international journal of police strategies and management*. This summer he presented "Social Surveillance and the Rise of the Police Machine" at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and also presented "Visions of Westray: The Press, Ideology and Corporate Crime" at the American Criminology Society, San Diego, California.

**Dr. Linda Christiansen-Ruffman** participated in the World Congress of Sociology in Montreal from July 26 to August 1. There she was re-elected to a four year term on the executive of the International Sociological Association (ISA), in the organized session and presented a paper in its research committee on women in society

(WISISA). She was a featured speaker on one of the numerous symposia of the Congress and also participated as a panelist at a pre-congress symposium.

**Dr. Richard Hadden** organized the annual meetings of the society for Social Studies of Science in Halifax and at Saint Mary's. This is the second time that the meetings have been held in Canada. Previous meetings have been held at MIT, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, University of Ghent, Belgium, and University of Virginia. At this Conference he presented "Use and Exchange: Reckoning nature and Society in the Work of Sir William Petty." In early October he presented "The Accountant General's Nature: Political Economy, Technology, and Natural Philosophy in the Work of Sir William Petty," at the meetings of the European Association for Studies of Science and Technology, Lisbon, Portugal.

## International Development Studies

**Dr. Krishna Ahojja-Patel** was invited to participate in the International Conference "Beijing Follow-up Seminar on the Platform of Action" that was held in Shanghai, China from June 18 to 22. While in China, Dr. Ahojja-Patel visited ten projects in community development, women's political participation and children's rights.

## Astronomy and Physics

In June, **Dr. David Turner** was re-appointed as chairman of the National Research Council's Herzberg Institute of Astrophysics Advisory Board, to serve until the end of March 1999. He is also completing his fifth year as the Editor of the *Journal of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada*. This past May he and S. Shorlin presented a paper entitled, "The Discovery of an Open Cluster Associated With Two Wolf-Rayet Stars," at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Astronomical Society in Quebec. At that same meeting, he, along with A.J. Horsford, and J.D. MacMillan presented "Monitoring Cepheid Period Changes from Saint Mary's University." He also presented a paper entitled, "Comments on the Distance Scale in our Galaxy," at the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada General Assembly in Victoria last June. He has had a number of papers published since May. They include the following: Turner, D.G., Ibrahimov, M.A., Mandushev, G.I., Berdnikov, L.N., and Horsford, A.J. "A Search for the Parent Cluster of the Cepheid SU Cygni," in the *Journal of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada*; Turner, D.G. "A Search for Stars Physically Associated With the 16-Day Cepheid X Cygni. II. Clusters in the Field," in the *Astronomical Journal*; Turner, D.G. "Photoelectric Observations of Southern Cepheids in 1996," in the *Astronomy and Astrophysics Transactions*; Turner D.G. "Photoelectric Observations of Southern Cepheids in 1997," in the *Astronomy and Astrophysics Transactions*; Berdnikov, L.N., and Turner, D.G. "Photoelectric BVIC Observations and New Elements for the Cepheid CU Orionis," in the *IAU Information Bulletin on Variable Stars*; Berdnikov, L.N.; Turner, D.G. "II Carinae, A 65-Day Classical Cepheid in the Southern Milky Way," in the *IAU Information Bulletin on Variable Stars*; and Turner, D.G. "Photoelectric V(R)IC Observations and New Classification for V641 Centauri," in the *IAU Information Bulletin on Variable Stars*.

**Dr. Michael West** has been invited to serve on the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Canada-France-Hawaii Telescope. This committee sets policy and plans future changes for Canada's premier telescope. His term runs from 1998 to 2000. He also continues to serve on the Time Allocation Committee for this same telescope. In July, at the request of the National Research Council, Dr. West served on the Herzberg Institute of Astrophysics (HIA) Peer Review Committee. This committee, which consisted of four astronomers from across Canada plus two international participants, was charged with assessing the present and future role of the HIA in Canadian astronomy. On-site visits and staff interviews were conducted at HIA facilities in Victoria and Penticton. In September, Dr. Michael West hosted the annual meeting of the Canadian Gemini Science Steering Committee (CGSSC) here at Saint Mary's. This committee, of which

Dr. West is a member, is charged with the important task of representing Canada's interests in the Gemini Telescope project, a partnership between the U.S., Canada, the U.K., Brazil, Chile, Argentina and Australia to build two of the world's largest telescopes. These telescopes will be located in Hawaii and Chile. The CGSSC consists of a dozen astronomers from across Canada. Dr. West has been invited by the Universidade de Sao Paulo, Brazil, to give a series of lectures there in May 1999. The title of his lecture series will be "A Hierarchical Universe: from Globular Clusters to Super-clusters." This is a follow-up to a series of invited lectures he gave at the Observatorio Nacional in Rio de Janeiro in November 1996. In May and June 1998, Dr. Michael West taught two astronomy courses ("Life in the Universe" and "Stars and Galaxies") in the Gambia (West Africa) as part of the University's Extension Program there. Earlier this month he was invited to serve on the science organizing committee for the upcoming Kingston Meeting on theoretical astrophysics, which was held at McMaster University. In July, he published a paper titled "The Formation of Giant Elliptical Galaxies and Their Globular Cluster Systems" in the *Astrophysical Journal*. This paper was co-authored with Drs. Pat Cote (Caltech) and Ron Marzke (Carnegie Institution of Washington).

**Dr. Gary Welch** and colleagues from Waterloo and University of Washington, Seattle have used a state-of-the-art radio camera on the James Clark Maxwell telescope in Hawaii to make the first detection of widespread dust clouds in an elliptical galaxy. This discovery is expected to allow more to understand the stellar aging process in other galaxies, especially how it may differ from that in our own galaxy. At present, the James Clark Maxwell telescope is the only one in the world with such a camera. He and collaborators from University of Maryland, Sweden, and Germany have been awarded large blocks of observing time at two of the world's premier radio telescopes: the 30-metre telescope in Spain, which is operated by a European consortium, and the 12-metre telescope at Kitt Peak Observatory, operated by the U.S. National Radio Astronomy Observatory. These generous awards, on two highly competitive telescopes, will be used as part of the first census of interstellar gas in nearby SO galaxies. These telescopes are specialized for detecting interstellar molecules, which make up about 1/3 of the gas between the stars in the Milky Way galaxy. His group is in the process of requesting blocks of time on the world's largest telescope, the Arecibo radio telescope in Puerto Rico, and also on the Very Large Array radio telescope in New Mexico. These instruments are specialized for observing atomic gas - the other major component of interstellar material. When they add up the results from studying the molecular and atomic gas, they will have the first accurate picture of how much gas these kinds of galaxies have, which should tell them a great deal about their future prospects for producing stars (which form out of the interstellar gas). Dr. Welch presented a paper at the Guanajuato Meeting on Star Formation in Early-type Galaxies, held in Guanajuato, Mexico at the end of June. The paper presents observations made by colleagues and himself using the 12-metre radio telescope at Kitt Peak.

**Dr. William Lonc**, Professor Emeritus, read an invited paper, *Undergraduate Observational Radio Astronomy Projects*, at the summer meeting of the American Association of Physics Teachers, held at the University of Nebraska in early August.

## Chief Financial Officer

**Larry Corrigan** has been awarded a Fellowship Designation by the certified General Accountants of Canada (CGA Canada). The award is the highest honour granted by the Association and requires exemplary service to both the accounting profession as well as the community. Corrigan is on the Board of CGA Canada, an organization that represents over 50,000 members and students across Canada, overseas in Bermuda, the Caribbean and Asia. ♦



# President of Ireland Receives Honourary Degree

From page 1

Saint Mary's honoured its Irish heritage when it granted an honorary degree to the President of Ireland. An Honourary Doctorate of Civil Law was awarded to President Mary McAleese during a special convocation ceremony at the University.

"I can only thank Saint Mary's for granting me with a Doctorate in Civil Law," she said during the ceremony on October 9.

In her address to the large audience that day, she indicated that her country is presently enjoying phenomenal economic success. She pointed out that providing more people with an education in Ireland is a reason for such significant growth.

She also indicated that while the country is enjoying a booming economy, it's also working to secure peace. "We now stand on the threshold of a very important era in Ireland, a golden era, one of economic prosperity as we have never known it. The historic Good Friday Agreement however gives us cause to believe that the circle of conflict will soon be closed. We have learned how to close that circle, and sustain peace from the experience here in Canada. As we attempt to end a culture of conflict, put it behind us and to build a culture of consensus, we naturally look to Canada as a place to which many of our people have come."

Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, O.C., President of Saint Mary's, said that President McAleese is committed to building bridges between the north and the south in Ireland, and it is these qualities of leadership, vision and commitment that she represents, which are the foundation of the University.

"A distinguished academic, champion of the rights of people with disabilities, builder of bridges, person of great faith. A person, par excellence to joining Saint Mary's roll of distinguished honorary graduates," he said.

Dr. Cyril Byrne, Professor of Irish Studies, told the audience that granting an honorary degree to President McAleese marked a significant occasion for the University.

"It is especially significant for this University, founded by the Irish almost 200 years ago, that the President of Ireland is now amongst us," he said, adding that Atlantic Canada is the most authentically Irish region in Canada.

After graduating from Queen's University Belfast, President McAleese was called to the Northern Ireland Bar and practiced primarily in criminal and family law. In 1975 she was appointed Reid

Professor of Criminal Law, Criminology and Penology at Trinity College, Dublin, a position she held until 1979. She worked for two years as a television reporter before returning to teaching at Trinity.

In 1987, President McAleese was appointed Director of the Institute of Professional Legal Studies which trains barristers and solicitors for the legal profession in Northern Ireland. In 1994, she was appointed a Pro-Vice Chancellor of Queen's University Belfast. On November 11, 1997, she was inaugurated as the eighth President of Ireland. She succeeds Mary Robinson, who was the Republic's first woman president.

In a book titled Who's Who in Ireland: The Influential 1,000, President McAleese was described as a "highly articulate, intelligent woman" and a "down to earth, approachable academic." It is for these reasons, and many others, that Saint Mary's awarded President McAleese with such a high honour.

Saint Mary's is home to the only Chair of Irish Studies in Canada. The University was founded by the Irish of Halifax in 1802. The D'Arcy McGee Chair of Irish Studies was established in 1986 to continue the University's ties to its Irish heritage. In 1985, an honorary degree was granted to the then Prime Minister Garret Fitzgerald.

The Chairholder of the program for the last eleven years is Dr. Pdraig O'Siadhail, a Gaelic scholar whose work is well known in Ireland. Author of two prize-winning novels and a pioneering study of Irish language theatre, Dr. O' Siadhail has been

central to the array of courses being offered by the Irish Studies program."

The infectious good will, which the program has generated, has percolated through the whole community in Halifax, throughout the Province and indeed throughout Canada. From an initial \$600,000, the trust fund has grown over the last ten years as the result of some innovative and imaginative fund-raising lead by Dr. Byrne. Today the fund is aiming at its second million.

Dr. Byrne has been the chief fund-raiser for the Chair for over the last decade. Don Keleher, Director of University Advancement, has also been a key player in raising funds.

"I believe that our program is a first-rate undergraduate academic program," says Dr. O Siadhail. "We provide a sound grounding in Irish Studies for those who wish to go on to graduate studies in the field. Saint Mary's University has the one Chair of Irish Studies in Canada. Saint Mary's University is the one Canadian University to offer a minor and a major in Irish Studies. We are now attracting students not just from throughout Canada."

For his efforts in establishing the Chair, Dr. Byrne was awarded the Order of Canada in 1993. And on the tenth anniversary of its establishment, the bank of Montreal presented the Chair of Irish Studies with a stunning tapestry representing the symbols of the Four Evangelists from the Book of Kells. Made by Acadian artist Yvette Muise who now works out of Montreal, the Tapestry now hangs in the Patrick Power Library at Saint Mary's above a treasured copy of the Book of Kells, presented to the Chair in 1991 by the Charitable Irish Society of Halifax. ♦

## Government Provides \$2.75-million for Saint Mary's



The federal government provided Saint Mary's with \$2.75-million. A large number of faculty, staff and students attended the announcement which took place in the main lobby of the new Sobeys Building. From the left to right are: Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, O.C., President, Saint Mary's; Senator Al Graham, Leader of the Government in the Senate and Minister responsible for Nova Scotia; Trevor O'Brien, President, Saint Mary's University Students' Association (SMUSA); and Chuck Bridges, Director, External Affairs.

From page 1

which we are pleased the Governments of Canada and Nova Scotia have endorsed." Other unique features include a Conference Theatre, and facilities for a seminar activities program and conference trade display area. The new building is fully wired for the latest technology, including computer hook ups in all classrooms and meeting areas.

"The University's vision of higher education is one which involves its students. This is apparent in this new and renovated complex," says O'Brien, adding that the Students Association represents the 8,500 full and part-time students at the University. "They asked us what we needed and then responded with a teaching and learning facility which is not only world class but the envy of students everywhere in Canada."

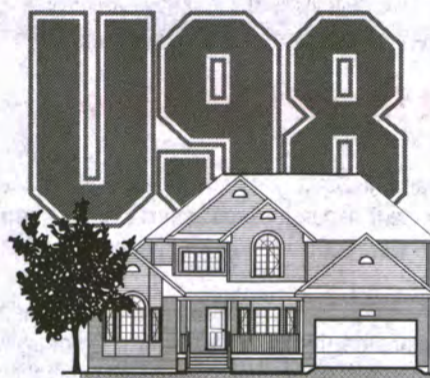
The Canada/Nova Scotia COOPERATION Agreement on Economic Diversification is managed by the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency and the Nova Scotia Department of Economic Development and Tourism.

"The new facilities will also allow the university to play a greater role in attracting new businesses and jobs to the region," says

Economic Development and Tourism Minister, Manning MacDonald. "Nova Scotia has earned a reputation for its educated, quality workforce, and this centre will strengthen that message."

Over the past few years, the University has seen its share of financial support from government and businesses within and outside of Halifax. In 1996, the provincial government contributed \$6-million for the new Sobeys building and the newly renovated Loyola Academic complex. This past March, the University celebrated the completion of the Capital Campaign Project that raised well over \$16.4-million from the private sector. The money for this project was not only used to fund the new building and other changes, but it will also be used to support other areas of Saint Mary's.

Everyone on campus is excited to see the University undergo such rapid growth, and Dr. Ozmon contends that such growth will only continue into the next millennium. ♦



## It's a lotto house and a lotta help!

### Win a \$300,000 home!

- Only 5,500 tickets available ■
- Tickets: \$100 each ■
- Draw Date: November 24, 1998 ■

Helps purchase equipment for the Atlantic Centre and fund student leadership awards

### Tickets: Call 496-8123

Or visit our open house at  
2 Kingsley Close, Clayton Park West  
Monday-Wednesday (4:00 pm-8:30 pm)  
Thursday-Sunday (11:30 am-8:30 pm)

### ROYAL BANK



Saint Mary's University  
House Lottery '98





## NEWS Briefs

### Huskies Auction a Great Success

Hats off to the organizers of the first ever Huskies' Super Auction '98 held on October 7 at the World Trade Centre. More than 250 people attended the event and close to \$30,000 was raised to support the hockey and football programs at Saint Mary's. "It was a great time. We will definitely be doing it every year from now on," says Hockey Coach Trevor Stienburg. Exciting auction items included travel packages, golf packages, electronics and home entertainment products and services, and Celine Dion and Lord of the Dance concert packages. The sports memorabilia proved to be very popular including a Green Bay Packers Helmet, Colorado Avalanche Helmet, a Joe Sakic game jersey, and an autographed Wayne Gretzky game jersey. Congratulations to the Hockey and Football teams on their success.

### Huskies' Football Goes Live on the Web

This year's Huskies' Homecoming football game against the X-Men marked the beginning of a new era of sports broadcasting. For the first time in Atlantic Canada, a varsity sports game was broadcast live on the World Wide Web.

There were over 600 hits from fans around the world in the first half of the game. Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, O.C., President of Saint Mary's, was interviewed at half-time by SMU alumni Bill Maden. On November 7th, the Huskies' will host the X-Men, which will also appear on the Web. The Web site address is [www.andara.com](http://www.andara.com).

### Take Me Out to the Ball Game

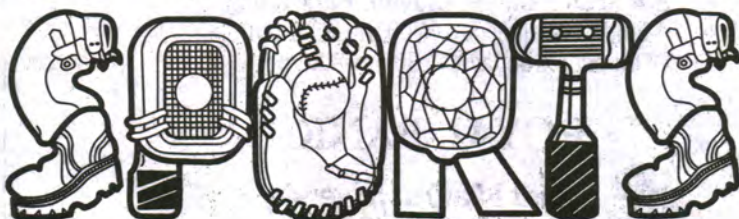
Whether they win or lose, the Saint Mary's Huskies' Baseball Team has come along way since it began just four short seasons ago.

At press time, they were ranked fifth in the country in the Canadian University Baseball Association and at one point in the season they were first in the province. The Atlantic championships are scheduled to take place on the third weekend in October, with the winning team to compete at the national championships the following weekend in Kentville.

Saint Mary's first entered a team in the Atlantic league in 1994. The first team uniforms were bought in 1996 with proceeds from the alumni golf tournament. This year the team has new black and maroon uniforms. A fundraiser auction was held at the Oasis recently to raise money to pay for the uniforms.

"The team is a lot stronger this year," says John Sullivan, past alumni president and a huge baseball fan. "It has been exciting to watch the team grow from the ground up and to actually have a chance at the nationals in our own backyard."

Sullivan attributes much of the team's success to the team's new coach. Paul Arsenault, BSc '75 and past president of Baseball Nova Scotia, was recruited to coach the team. "He's a great coach and a baseball fanatic," he says. "And it's nice to have an alumni coaching the team."



## 1998 Football Huskies



Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, O.C., with the Saint Mary's 1998 football team.

## Our Field Hockey player from Barbados

A requirement at Kristina Hinds' high school in the Barbados was that every one had to play a sport. So she thought she would try something new.

"I tried it and I liked it," she says. "Field hockey is a very popular sport in my country." Each summer in the Barbados, a field hockey festival is held with teams from around the world competing in tournaments. "It's a fun competition that involves mixed teams, women's teams and men's teams. And prizes are given out for the best uniforms, best spirit and so on. It's great exposure for the sport."

Hinds is now hoping to increase the exposure of the sport at Saint Mary's. She discovered the University while at a university fair in the Barbados where she met Keith Hotchkiss, Director of Student Services at Saint Mary's. "Nothing at the universities at home interested me," she says. "I'd like to work in international affairs one day,



Kristina Hinds

so the international studies program at Saint Mary's seemed like a good place to start."

She admits that it was difficult leaving her family and friends. "But I figured that I'd eventually have to leave home to do what I want to do. The United Nations sounds interesting," she says.

While having lunch in the Tower on her first day here as part of an orientation day for

international students, she saw the field hockey team out practicing on the field. "Keith Hotchkiss was with us and I told him that I play field hockey so he took me out to meet Sharon" (Rajaraman, the coach of the team), says Hinds. "I went to practice that same evening."

She quickly caught on to the Canadian style of the game. She compares field hockey to soccer, describing them both as very active sports. But she says field hockey requires more coordination because the ball is controlled by a stick. Goalkeeping for the team is even more of a challenge for Hinds. "It takes a lot of thinking and hard work because you have a large area to protect from a very small ball."

Another challenge she faces here is the different style of dribbling. "They move much faster so it's much harder to defend your goal post," she says. But she is having a great time trying. "The team is very friendly and supportive. It's a good team." ♦

## Saint Mary's Reigns in Hall of Fame

Saint Mary's will be very visible at this year's Nova Scotia Hall of Fame induction ceremonies.

University Registrar Dr. Elizabeth Chard and the 1973 Saint Mary's Huskies basketball team will inducted into the Hall of Fame for their valuable contributions to the Nova Scotia sports world. Dr. Chard will be recognized in the builder category for a number of roles she has played over the years. She served as President of both the Atlantic Universities Athletic Union (AUAA) and the Canadian Inter-university Athletic Union (CIAU), one of the few times a non-athletic department official has held these posts.

She was chef de mission of Team Canada at World University Games in Zagreb, Yugoslavia in 1987 after serving as assistant chef in Kobe, Japan two years earlier. She was a member of organizing committees of major events in Halifax, including the Pan American Wheelchair Games

in 1982 and the Gold Cup of Men's Wheelchair Basketball in 1983, Atlantic Bowl, Canadian Women's Field Hockey Championships or National Wheelchair Basketball Championships.

It is also in recognition of her tireless efforts she has spent as chairman of Nova Scotia Special Summer Games, chairman of the national summer games and as president of Nova Scotia Special Olympics.

In March 1973, a talented but underrated Saint Mary's Huskies team surprised basketball aficionados across Canada by pulling two major upsets at the Canadian University Championships in Waterloo and capturing the first national championship ever by a SMU squad.

After shocking perennial national contender Windsor Lancers 91-84 in an overtime first round game, the Huskies whipped Lakehead University by a dozen points to capture the title before 5,000 fans and a national

television audience.

Eight members of the team remained in Halifax after their graduation a few years later, contributing to the development of basketball in the province as coaches, minor team and league executives and referees.

Members of the Huskies 1973 team were: Coach Brian Heaney, Brian Burgess, Arts Waters, Otha Johnson, Fred Perry, Greig Redding, Mickey Fox, Don Gallagher, John Gallinaugh, Peter Halpin, Bob Taboski and Lee Thomas. Managers were John Landry (still manager of the team today), Terry O'Neill and Peter MacAllister. ♦