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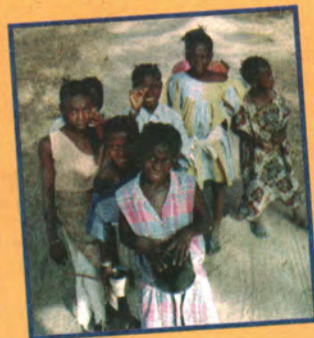
Show me the money!

Scientists and students from Saint Mary's have taken home almost \$900,000 in research grants from the Natural Science and Engineering Research Council (NSERC). Pictured here are a number of student winners: Patricia Irvine, Biology; James Windley, Engineering; Melissa Smith, Biology; Ivan Hemeon, Chemistry; Cedric Davies, Mathematics and Computing Science; Kyle Schmeisser, Mathematics and Computing Science; Kevin Kells, Chemistry; Joseph MacMillan, Astronomy and Physics; and Leanne Spracklin, Mathematics and Computing Science.

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There are all sorts of people to see and meet while traveling through The Gambia, West Africa.



Just ask the group of delegates from Saint Mary's who traveled there recently for the historic Convocation where 62 Gambians received degrees from Saint Mary's on their home soil. Pictured here are some children greeting the delegation in a small village along the river of The Gambia. See the full feature story on page 4.

Scientists Receive Close to \$900,000 for Research

by Paul Fitzgerald

The Science Faculty at Saint Mary's University has proved once again that they are at the forefront of science research in Atlantic Canada.

The Natural Science and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) recently announced the recipients of research grants and scholarships for professors and students from across Canada.

Ten professors from Astronomy and Physics, Biology, Chemistry, Geology, Mathematics and Computing Science, Finance and Management Science, and Economics will receive close to \$700,000 in grants. This adds to the 17 professors already receiving research grants from NSERC. Also, six graduate and 12 undergraduate science students at Saint Mary's have earned almost \$170,000 in scholarships from NSERC.

"I will now be able to hire student research assistants who will work on projects focusing on finding new drugs to treat cancer," says Dr. Keith Vaughan, a chemistry professor at Saint Mary's. For the past several years, he and his team have been researching different molecule structures to determine which have the best anti-tumour fighting potential. He will receive \$76,800 to continue this research over the next four years.

Dr. David Clarke, an astronomy and physics professor, will receive \$91,683 over the next four years for a more powerful computing system to replace the department's present system which is now becoming obsolete.

"The computing will be used to support research in a wide variety of astrophysical areas, including reducing data collected from the next generation of astronomical observatories, to generating intricate com-

puter models of astrophysical phenomena," he says. "Saint Mary's is at the cutting edge of many areas of astrophysics, and this computing system will help us continue to contribute in this way."

Dr. Michael West, also an astron-

omy and physics professor, will receive \$75,000, and says that the grant will be used to fund his research activities exploring the formation and destruction of galaxies.

"Most of the money will be used

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Searching for the Next President

A new millennium is approaching, and with it will be a new President at Saint Mary's.

Robert Belliveau, Q.C., who is the Chair of the University's Board of Governors, says that Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, will have served 20 years at the expiration of this present term, easily the longest tenure of any university president in Canada.

Belliveau, who is also Chair the Presidential Search Committee, says Dr. Ozmon will be very difficult to replace, given the standard which he set as President.

"The Committee felt that before moving forward through the search process, it would be very helpful to develop a presidential profile," he

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 Massachusetts Governor Paul Cellucci, Nova Scotia Premier Russell MacLellan and Summit Chairman Fred MacGillivray discuss the upcoming Nova Scotia Summit during the Premier's recent visit to Boston as part of Team Atlantic Canada. See story on page 3.



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Chemistry Professors give high school students that "extra edge"

It's the middle of the afternoon and Dr. Rob Singer makes a left-hand turn off a busy road and drives his small pick-up truck down the main driveway of Cole Harbour High School. From a distance, a group of students can be seen waiting out front. But they aren't there waiting to meet with friends or catch a ride. Instead, they are waiting for what Dr. Singer has in the back of his truck - computer equipment.

"It's all ours," exclaims one student as Dr. Singer opens the back of the truck, then passing out boxes full of computers and data loggers.

You see, he and Dr. John C.O.C. Young, who are both chemistry professors at Saint Mary's, are donating computer hardware and software to local high schools these days. It's all part of an initiative they've undertaken to help high school students combine computers and science, particularly in the area of chemistry.

"Cole Harbour is going high-tech," says Jeff Clark, a science teacher for the school. "Our various chemistry programs will benefit greatly from this generous gift."

Drs. Singer and Young have provided the school with four PCs complete with the hardware and

software which will enable students to duplicate labs and experiments that normally could only be completed at a university. These computers, like the ones they're providing to other local schools, have either been donated or purchased second hand.

"High school students will learn a great deal about chemistry through the use of computers in their laboratory," says Dr. Singer while watching a few students conduct an experiment on the computer.

For the last number of years, the use of computers as aids to data and information gathering and processing has been an area of deep interest for Dr. Young.

In the summer of 1995, his research group at the University was engaged in the development of hydraulic drag reducing additives for use in district energy systems. As part of the project his research team made extensive use of computerized data logging systems in a pilot evaluation of these additives in the air conditioning system at the University's Patrick Power Library. The project, in his view, was simply "fascinating" as the computers allowed his team to make predictions of the performance of the system and then to test them in "real time".

A short time later he decided to develop a novel computerized chemistry laboratory in The Gambia, West Africa using donated computer equipment. He taught chemistry there as part of the Saint Mary's University Extension Program, an innovative program that allows students in one of Africa's smallest countries to take courses and obtain Saint Mary's degrees on their home soil.

The "hands-on" computer-based approach to chemistry was so well received among his students in The Gambia that he decided to undertake a similar project on a much larger scale at Saint Mary's. All chemistry students at Saint Mary's are now using this new approach to learning science.

"Most of our students at Saint Mary's find the computer lab both challenging and interesting," says Dr. Young.

At Cole Harbour, students are thrilled with the fact that technology such as this is now available in their science laboratory.

"Using computer equipment in science class is something we thought we would only see at university," says Jamie Bain, a grade 12 student. "When all of us science



Dr. John C. O'C. Young, Chemistry professor at Saint Mary's (middle) shows how the computers work in the lab at Cole Harbour High School in Dartmouth.

students get to university this September, we will be one step ahead of everyone else."

Richard Sherring, a grade 12 student at the school, echoes his view. "The computers will give us that 'extra edge' in understanding chemistry," he says. "Saint Mary's has given my school a great donation, and it is a real privilege that we can learn from computers."

Dr. Young says that one significant benefit of having computers in the laboratory means that more experiments can be carried out in a

shorter period of time, allowing for more instructional time.

So, while the students and teachers at Cole Harbour High are busy working with their computers in the lab, Drs. Singer and Young will be out gathering more equipment to donate to local high schools. And one can bet that the teachers and students at other schools will be just as enthusiastic over receiving computers in their lab as Cole Harbour is. ♦

Mr. Basketball Passes Away

Known in Nova Scotia and Canada as Mr. Basketball, Frank Baldwin passed away on Friday, April 30. He was 78.

His coaching career in basketball started in the Halifax Church League around 1939. In 1949-50, he coached Queen Elizabeth High School to the juvenile championship. In 1952 he founded the Saint Mary's Huskies Basketball team, which ever since has been on the path of excellence. While at Saint Mary's he also worked at the University bookstore and canteen.

He left Saint Mary's in 1963 and took the position as Director of the Canadian Martyrs Parish Centre and in 1971 became the Nova Scotia Amateur Basketball Association's first provincial coach. He was co-founder of the Halifax Juvenile Boys Basketball League, and from 1972 until 1986 he was coordinator for basketball at Sport Nova Scotia.

Baldwin was the head coach of the 1971 and 1975 men's Canada Games teams, and assisted with the national team



on a South American tour in 1975.

His dedication to the game put him in the Canadian Basketball Hall of Fame in 1979, and in 1983 the Nova Scotia Heritage Centre inducted him into its Hall of Fame.

Saint Mary's has also had their turn in recognizing his efforts as they awarded him with an Honourary Doctorate in 1991, and six years later inducted him into the University's Sport Hall of Fame.

He touched the lives of many on campus and will be greatly missed. A memorial service will be held on campus in the near future. ♦

Scientists Receive Close to \$900,000

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to support graduate students, pay for trips to use various telescopes around the world, travel to conferences, publication charges, and small equipment purchases," says Dr. West.

For Dr. Stavros Konstantinidis, a professor in the mathematics and computing science program, his \$48,000 from NSERC will be used to conduct national and international collaborations, and for hiring and training students at Saint Mary's. His research interests include coding theory with applications in information transmission.

In biology, Dr. Zhongmin Dong, will use his \$44,815 from NSERC for a fluorescence microscope. "My research program aims at examining rhizosphere microorganisms, plant roots and the relationship between them," he says. "Rhizosphere is the region in the soil surrounding the roots of a plant. The slide preparation of anything from rhizosphere has a lot of particulate materials, such as sands, soil particles, and plant materials so observation is normally very hard, sometimes impossible by the ordinary microscopic optics. However the fluorescence microscope exposes a specimen to ultraviolet, violet, or blue light and forms an image of the object."

Dr. Victor Owen, a geology professor at Saint Mary's, will receive \$60,000 over the next four years to investigate high grade metamorphic rocks in Newfoundland. He will also supervise a student who will conduct kiln-firing experiments on magnesium-rich ceramic pastes, which will bring a better understanding of the mineral diopside in some 18th Cen-

tury British Porcelains.

As a result of the new funding, many students will be hired by the University to work in an area that directly relates to their field of study. Many of these students will be at the undergraduate level, which is a rare opportunity at most other Canadian universities.

"It's an honour to be chosen to receive such an award from NSERC," says Ivan Hemeon, a chemistry student at Saint Mary's. He will be working with chemistry professor Dr. Rob Singer in the area of organic chemistry. "I think it's a great opportunity for students to obtain relevant research experience at a very low cost to the supervisor while making great strides forward in the field of science."

Ian McCarthy, a student in the astronomy and physics program, says he will be working with Dr. West this summer. "I am absolutely thrilled to have received the NSERC grant," he says. "It isn't very often that someone my age has the opportunity to get paid to do something they love. This grant will help me continue my education in astrophysics through both financial and academic means. I am also considering using the research I do this summer as the basis for my thesis next year."

"I am very honored to receive such a scholarship," says Patricia Irvine, a biology student, who will be conducting summer research with Dr. Dong. She knows that her scholarship has just opened up some new doors in her life as she plans to attend graduate school in the near future and continue conducting research in the biology field. ♦

Clarke, David <i>Astronomy and Physics</i> Parallel computing resource for astrophysics at Saint Mary's University with: Mitchell, George; Welch, Gary; Turner, David; Guenther, David; Butler, Malcolm; West, Michael	\$91,683
Dong, Zhongmin <i>Biology</i> Fluorescence microscope	\$44,815
Jutla, Dawn <i>Finance and Management Science</i> Development of a benchmark model for electronic commerce	\$20,000
Konstantinidis, Stavros <i>Mathematics and Computing Science</i> Aspects of decodability and synchronizability of codes	\$48,000
Lamoureux, Marc <i>Chemistry</i> Environmental speciation of metal and metalloids pollutants in solid state samples	\$44,000
Mitchell, George <i>Astronomy and Physics</i> Molecular clouds and star formation	\$180,000
Novkovic, Sonja <i>Economics</i> Sun workstation for genetic algorithm applications	\$3,000
Owen, John <i>Geology</i> Petrology of some synthetic and natural systems	\$60,000
Vaughan, Keith <i>Chemistry</i> Synthesis and study of novel bis-Triazines with potential antitumour activity	\$76,800
West, Michael <i>Astronomy and Physics</i> Galaxy formation and destruction	\$75,000

Around Campus

Agreement with Brazil



On March 26, Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, President of Saint Mary's and Wolfgang Schoeps, Dean of Business School Sao Paulo in Brazil, signed an articulation agreement between the two institutions. Under the agreement, stu-

dents will complete the first year of their MBA at the Business School Sao Paulo, and the remaining 50 per cent plus one credit of the program at Saint Mary's.

Canadian Ambassador to Chile Visits University



On March 26, Lawrence Lederman, Canadian Ambassador to Chile, visited with Dr. Ozmon and Dr. Dodds to discuss opportuni-

ties for Saint Mary's in Chile relating to student mobility programs and student recruitment.

Dr. Owen Carrigan Retires



The University community poured into the Sobey Lounge on April 27 for Dr. Owen Carrigan's retirement party. Dr. Carrigan served as the President of Saint Mary's from

1971 to 1979 and also taught history. A feature story on him will appear in the next issue of *The Times*. He is pictured with his wife, Florence.

Massachusetts-Nova Scotia Summit at Saint Mary's

Massachusetts Governor Paul Cellucci and Nova Scotia Premier Russell MacLellan have made all the plans for this week's Summit, which will be held from May 11 to 13 at Saint Mary's. The Governor will lead a delegation comprised of business, academic and

government leaders from Massachusetts, a follow-up to a meeting held last year at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government. The objective of the Summit is to more strongly tie the economics and learning models of Nova Scotia and Massachusetts.

Down in Mexico City



Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, President, Saint Mary's (far left) and Denis Leclaire, Director, International Activities, Saint Mary's, traveled to Mexico this past March. They are

joined here with Joan Landeros, Director for International Education, Universidad La Salle, Mexico City.

Take Our Daughters To Work Day



The fifth annual Take Our Daughters to Work Day at Saint Mary's was held on April 22. The Nova Scotia Advisory Council on the Status of Women sponsors the program. Pictured here are just a handful of daughters who came to work that day.

Dr. Snyder Retires



Dr. Kenneth Snyder of the English Department recently retired from the University. On April 22, a large number of faculty, staff, and students came out to recognize all his work since coming to campus almost 30 years ago. He is pictured here with Dr. Michael Larsen, Dean of Arts (left).

Saint Mary's Graduates in The Gambia

Make way for the new Halifax-Banjul highway

by Paul Fitzgerald

It's nighttime in Africa, and the Sabena flight from Brussels makes a sharp turn, then straightens out for the landing. There is little to see from the window of the 767 as it nears the runway — just a handful of lights down below. It's so dark that one worries the aircraft will never find ground. But it does.

The wheels hit the ground and a loud roar from the engine cooling is heard. "We're here. Welcome to Banjul, The Gambia," the pilot says, then repeating it in Flemish and French. And just after the plane parks at the end of the runway, a Belgian stewardess opens the front door. Within seconds the thick air from outside quickly rushes in. The smell that enters the plane reminds one of how it smells on a hot summer night in the Canadian woods.

Hundreds of passengers gather their carry-on luggage and make their way down a long set of stairs to the tarmac where they board shuttle buses. Even on the ground it's still very dark, with few lights beyond the airport, making it impossible to see what the landscape and buildings

look like in the distance. One's first impression is like that of traveling to outer space. It's dark, and the feeling of the unknown brings a roar of excitement from within.

The first introduction one has of the country is on the drive from the airport to the outskirts of Banjul, which is the capital city of The Gambia. It's an old dirt road, full of make-shift homes, and hundreds of people roaming the streets. From the front seat of an old European-style mini-van, everything outside seems noisy, and terribly confusing. But then again, as the driver explains, this is life in The Gambia.

It's Africa's smallest country's and one of the world's poorest. This past February, history was made there as 62 Gambian students crossed the stage to receive degrees from Saint Mary's University, making them the first to receive degrees on their home soil.

Joining Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, President of Saint Mary's, for the historic occasion were his wife Mrs. Elizabeth Ozmon; Dr. Elizabeth Chard, Registrar; Dr. Michael Larsen, Dean of Arts; Murray Wilson, Associate Registrar; Keith Hotchkiss, Director of Student Services; Heidi Taylor, Program Manager for International Activities; Trevor O'Brien, President of the Students' Association; and Paul Fitzgerald, Public Affairs Officer.

With a population of just over 1.5 million, the country has faced harsh economic conditions for years, and the dream of having their own

university seemed just that — a dream. But the country is now well on its way to making the University of The Gambia a reality and the first convocation in the country is a huge milestone in that process.

Four years ago, Saint Mary's began providing Gambian students with the opportunity to obtain a post-secondary education in their own country. Many professors from Saint Mary's have traveled to The Gambia to teach courses. Saint Mary's is also assisting the country in developing the University of The Gambia. Both projects have been carried out with the assistance of the Nova Scotia Gambia Association (NSGA).

"My whole life has changed since I became a Saint Mary's student," said one of Saint Mary's University's newest graduates Hassoum Cessay. He is now both a teacher in a rural area of the country and a news writer for the *Banjul Daily Observer*, which is the country's largest daily newspaper.

"Education is the key to the growth of our country," said The Gambia's President Yahya A.J.J. Jammeh in his convocation address

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to over 800 people who had crowded in to the downtown hotel hall in the capital city of Banjul, to witness this event which took place on February 16.

"Now with education, the sky is the limit," he said to a loud applause from the crowd. President Jammeh was awarded an Honourary Doctorate of Civil Law at the convocation.

Dr. Ozmon told the audience that the convocation is a momentous occasion for both The Gambia and Saint Mary's. "It is the first time your citizens will have completed degree studies in their own country, and it is also the first time Saint Mary's has awarded degrees outside Canada," he said.

He welcomed Saint Mary's newest graduates to the already 25,000 alumni of the University from around the world.

"Those countries, such as The Gambia, which have committed themselves to improving education at all levels will be the success stories of the 21st century, notwithstanding the sacrifices they may have to make in the 20th century in order to advance this important agenda," said Dr. Ozmon.

He acknowledged the support of the NSGA, in particular Burris Devanney, an alumnus of Saint Mary's, who has been the driving force behind the creation of the project in The Gambia.

Momodou Sabally, President of the Saint Mary's Students' Association in The Gambia, gave the



Graduates gather around Yahya A.J.J. Jammeh, President of The Gambia; Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, President, Saint Mary's; Mrs. Elizabeth Ozmon and Zeinab Jammeh following the convocation.

valedictory address. "It is indeed a laudable achievement that the ship of the University Extension Program has finally docked to unload its batch of 62 graduates after their arduous three-year journey," he said. "Our Canadian partners deserve special commendation for their confidence in The Gambia's educational system that led them to run an extension program here."

"To Dr. Ozmon and his team, we say 'Bravo'." A large cheer then filled the hall. And these students have a lot to cheer about. As the country's first graduates, they will have all sorts of doors open to them. Students like Alieu Saho, who has worked as a clerk for the Central Statistics Department of The Gambia for the past year. Upon receiving his degree in economics from Saint Mary's, he was promoted to a position as State Economist.

"I would never have landed this kind of job without a degree," he exclaimed.

Tears began to fill up his eyes. "Having a degree from Saint Mary's will take me to new heights in life."

Aminaka Ngie also received her degree in English and now has a job teaching high school students in a town just outside of Banjul. "I have a degree to teach young people of our great country," she said. "I can now pass all my knowledge along and of course someday be promoted to the position of principal at my high school."

All students who received degrees from Saint Mary's have landed jobs with both the government and private sector in The Gambia.

The excitement over the convocation was contagious throughout the entire country. According to news reports, the ceremony was the most watched and talked about event in the country's history. In fact, more people in The Gambia tuned into the ceremony than any past World Cup Soccer matches.

"There is now a Halifax-Banjul highway that is full of promise," said Michelle Levesque, who is the Canadian High Commissioner to The Gambia. She spoke to a large audience at a post-convocation seminar held the next day after convocation. The seminar, Lessons Learned from the Saint Mary's University Extension Program (SMUEP) in The Gambia, was an activity of the project Capacity Building for Higher Education in the Gambia, funded by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA).

Those attending the seminar agreed that the convocation marks a first step in the educational sector in

The Gambia, and that the SMUEP makes optimal use of limited human, infrastructural and financial resources as well as a contribution to the internationalization efforts of both campuses.

A day later, thousands of citizens gathered in Banjul's stadium to celebrate the country's 34th Independence Day. Abdoulie Conteh, Chair of the City's Municipal Council, read a speech on Behalf of President Jammeh to an enthusiastic crowd of Gambians. A roar of applause filled the stadium when he acknowledged the efforts of Saint Mary's in delivering courses to Gambians.

Approaching the airport, one knew that it was really time to leave The Gambia. The sun quickly disappeared and everything became pitch black.

The engines of the large Sabena 767 loudly hummed as hundreds of passengers made their way up the long set of stairs. It was a natural instinct to turn and have one last look at The Gambia before entering the main door of the plane — just as natural that leads many of The Gambia's visitors to someday return. ♦



Dr. Michael Larsen, Dean of Arts with Yankuba Daizboe.



Graduates, their families and friends gather together following the convocation.



Yahya A.J.J. Jammeh, President of The Gambia; Mrs Elizabeth Ozmon, Zeinab Jammeh; and Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, President, Saint Mary's.

No Bad Memories is the Best Memory... After 46 years, Kevin Cleary retires

by Paul Fitzgerald

It's mid morning, and a wave of fog hovers over the campus. In a matter of seconds it moves closer, and then sits peacefully on top of the McNally building. The grey sky, mingled with the white haze that seems to enclose the south end from the rest of the city, blends perfectly with the grey wet bricks, and shiny wooden brown doors of the old McNally building. It's like a perfect black and white snapshot of when it was built almost fifty years ago, just around the time the Jesuits walked through the main doors to begin their teaching and administrative duties at the University.

Inside the old building, the damp air from the outside brings with it a distinctive smell of old wood. And just as the big, heavy wooden doors of the main entrance close, they quickly open again. A few students quickly rush in with their book bags in one hand and umbrellas in the other. Class is about to begin in a few minutes, so the main hallway is filling up with faculty and students.

In his office just off the main hallway, Kevin Cleary has both hands in his pockets, and he stands, staring out his window. His view is of the courtyard between the old building and the library. "How time flies," he says in a solemn tone.

He moves around his office slowly, taking it all in, and knowing full well that his forty-six years at the University have come to an end. This summer, he will walk out the doors of the McNally building with his belongings, and officially retire from his position as Secretary to the Senate.

At first he isn't sure how to describe his years at Saint Mary's. Then, he looks over and points to 38 volumes of Senate minutes, dating from May, 1963 to August, 1998.

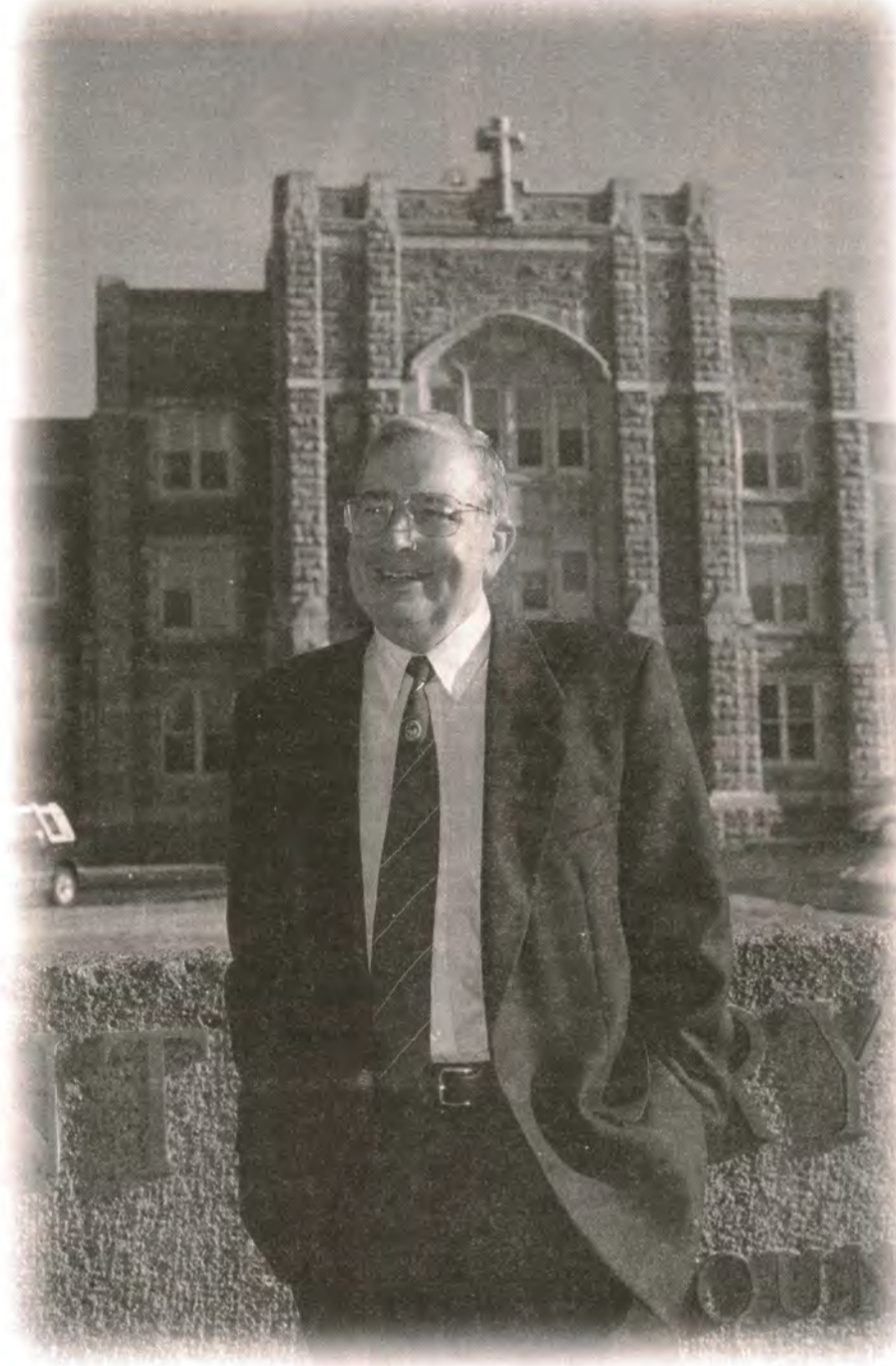
"Here is my life," he laughs. "It seems like yesterday that I first walked in the main doors of this school as a student, and now it's time to leave."

He heard all about Saint Mary's back in the summer of 1952 in his home in Bishops Falls, Newfoundland. A friend of the family, Mike Fitzpatrick, who graduated from Saint Mary's in 1941, dropped by the house for a visit. Fitzpatrick told Cleary all about his enriching educational experience and fun he had as a student at Saint Mary's.

"You just have to go to Saint Mary's. It's an experience you'll never forget," is all Fitzpatrick kept saying to me," says Cleary.

So, just a few months after their conversation, Cleary found himself on the front steps of the McNally building with his suitcase in hand, ready for classes, and excited to find the "experience" that made such an impression on him.

He certainly found what he was looking for. In fact, he got more than he bargained for. From that moment he walked up the



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stairs to the main doors, he never realized that he would remain a fixture here at the institution for almost five decades.

Armed with an Anglo Newfoundland Development Company Scholarship, a lucrative scholarship which allowed only two students from Newfoundland to study at any Canadian or British university, he began studying engineering.

But after attending a philosophy public lecture in the early part of first semester, he was convinced that he would be better off pursuing an Arts Degree, which he completed in 1957.

One year later he would graduate in the first Bachelor of Education class at Saint Mary's. An old picture of him and the three other graduates of the program sits in his office.

He then went on to teach in Grand Falls, Newfoundland for two years. Realiz-

ing the importance of continuing his education, he returned to Saint Mary's and completed a Master of Arts degree. However, just when he was making plans to head back to Newfoundland in 1961, Father William Stewart asked Cleary to stay on for a while as his assistant. The rest is history.

Shortly after, he took the job as Registrar for ten years, and then moved into the position as Secretary to the Senate.

"I was only going to be Father Stewart's assistant for a couple of years. Then I was only going to take the Registrar's job for a couple of years. And then I was only going to work in the Senate Office for a couple of years," he says. "What turned out to be a couple of years lasted a long, long time."

When he looks back over the years, he starts to laugh a little, remembering all the good times he had at Saint Mary's. But then he becomes quiet, and his eyes begin

to water up. "I think of so many things when I look back over the years," he says, wiping a tear that runs from his eye.

"It's hard to think back about my best memory of my time here," he says. "I remember the day that Fitzpatrick came by my house and told me to come to Saint Mary's. I remember my first graduation. And I remember all the great people I've met here over the years," he says. "My best memory of Saint Mary's is that there are no bad memories," he says now laughing.

He says that being taught by the Jesuits was a different learning experience altogether. "The Jesuits had their rules, and they were all excellent professors" he says. "I lived on residence, and lights had to be out at 11:00 pm, and when exams were on lights had to be out by 12:30 am. The Jesuits were strict and they made sure we followed the rules."

He recalls his first experience of negotiating with a Jesuit. "The lights-out rule was always in effect," he says. "Me and some other guys wanted to hear the end of a CBC radio show one night, and we knew it would run past 11:00. So, since we each got a pint of milk with every meal, I gave mine to Father Mike O'Donnell, who was the then Dean of Men. My pint of milk allowed us to listen to that radio show. This was my first successful attempt at negotiating, something I wasn't sure would work with a Jesuit, but I gave it a shot anyway."

As a student he also enjoyed the international flavour of the campus, saying that this in itself was an educational experience. "I had men on my floor and professors from abroad. The more I spoke with them and got to know them, the more I became aware of the world around me."

He has certainly seen his share of change over the years at the University. The first computer on campus, night classes being offered, women enrolling in programs, the Jesuits departure from their teaching and administrative duties, and all the new undergraduate and graduate programs, are the changes he highlights.

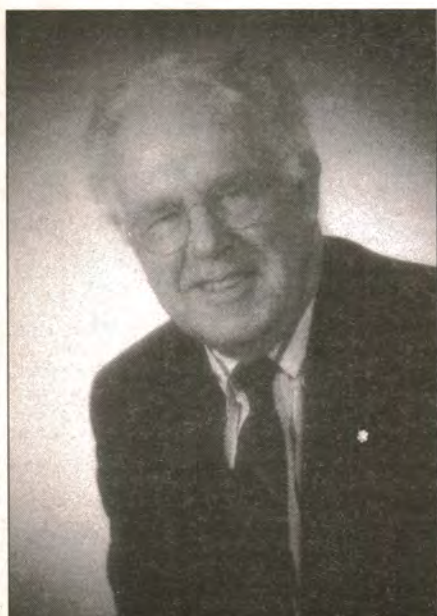
For the last ten years, he has also overseen the operations of the Drama Society on campus, a job that once belonged to Father Stewart. "When Father Stewart retired, he asked me if I would take on the responsibility to help out the society," he says. "In a fit of madness, I said I would do it for a while, and a decade later I am still helping them," he laughs.

Soon, he will finish packing his pictures and other memorabilia from his office into boxes, and will make his way out the same doors he entered as a young man.

By then, it will be summer, and the fog and damp air will have disappeared. The front of the building and the campus will be hit by the sunlight, just like it was when he first arrived here in the late summer of 1952.

And as Cleary always reminds us - "My, how things have changed." ♦

~ 1999 Honorary Degrees ~



Dr. C. William J. Eliot, O.C.

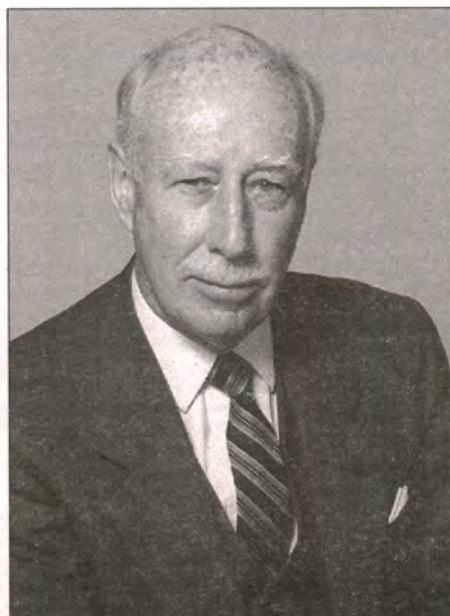
Dr. W. J. Eliot, known to friends and colleagues as 'Willie', has had a prolific professional career as a Classicist, especially in Greek History and Archaeology. After receiving his BA, MA and Doctor of Philosophy at the University of Toronto, he went on to the American School of Classical Studies in Athens to do graduate work between 1952 and 1957.

Since then, he has taught and held numerous positions at universities across Canada as well as in Athens, including UBC, Mount Allison and UPEI, where he also served as President. In PEI, he became an involved member of the community, serving on various committees and boards, including the Chairman of the Government House Committee, a position he still holds today.

An author of books and articles on Fifth Century Athens and 19th Century English Travelers to Greece, Dr. Eliot remains active in the Classical Association of Canada, an organization for which he served as President. His advice and counsel on academic issues is highly-valued and much sought-after. He continues to be a strong public voice as one concerned about the state of Canadian education and the plight of Canadian students.

For his involvement in so many aspects of Canadian life and his concern that we preserve our culture and history, in 1992 he was awarded the commemorative medal for the 125th Anniversary of the Confederation of Canada. In 1994 joined the prestigious ranks of the Order of Canada.

His accomplishments have earned him an Honorary Doctor of Letters which he will receive at the evening convocation.



The Honorable Justice Doane Hallett

The Honorable Mr. Justice Doane Hallett graduated from Saint Mary's University in 1952 with a Bachelor of Commerce degree, and three years later received a Bachelor of Laws degree from Dalhousie University.

In 1956, his 21-year career as a Corporate and Commercial law specialist began with Wickwire, MacInnes & Wilson, later to become MacInnes, Wilson & Hallett. During this time, he served in numerous capacities in a number of organizations, such as the Law Reform Commission of Nova Scotia and the Nova Scotia Division of the Canadian Cancer Society.

Highly respected by the Bar, Justice Hallett was appointed a judge of the Trial Division of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia in 1977, and by 1990 was elevated to the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal, where he now serves.

During his judicial career, he was an active member of various committees dealing with the administration of justice in the province, most often chairing those committees. He served on various national committees while representing Nova Scotia as a Director of the Canadian Judges Conference, including a term as Chair of the Independence of the Judiciary Committee.

Justice Hallett is a strong supporter of judicial education, and has lectured at conferences and seminars of the National Judicial Institute. He is currently the Chair of the Advisory Committee, set up to make recommendations for the appointment of Queen's Counsel.

His work and dedication has earned him an Honorary Doctor of Laws which he will receive at the evening convocation.



Martha L. Jodrey

After graduating summa cum laude from Dalhousie University with her Bachelor of Arts degree in 1964 and completing the qualifying year for a Master of Arts degree, Martha Jodrey seized the opportunity to own and operate her own business. In 1965, she purchased Miss Murphy's Business College and acted as Administrator and Owner until retiring and selling the business in 1982.

In 1983, Jodrey joined the Saint Mary's Board of Governors, first serving as Chair of the Finance Committee and from 1988 to 1998 as Chair of the Honorary Degrees Committee.

Bridgeway Academy, a private non-profit day school for learning disabled children, voted Jodrey as Chair of the Board as well as Chair of its Capital Campaign. In the latter capacity, she successfully raised the \$120,000 needed to implement the Bridgeway Academy High School Academic Program, which enables learning disabled students to graduate in increasing numbers.

Jodrey was also largely responsible for incorporating a special program which assists qualified learning disabled students through their academic studies at Saint Mary's Atlantic Centre for Disabled Students. Because of her efforts, the Centre is now able to assist upwards of 60 students annually.

Jodrey belongs to the Board of the Art Gallery of Nova Scotia, serving on the Acquisitions Committee, and the Special Government and Corporate Relations Committee, which she helped establish. She is also very involved in her local community of Windsor, Nova Scotia.

Her distinguished service has earned her a Doctor of Education which she will receive at the evening convocation.



Dr. Scott Duncan Tremaine

After graduating from McMaster University with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1971, Dr. Scott Duncan Tremaine went on to Princeton University to earn both his Master of Arts and Ph.D. in Physics. Since then he has held numerous positions at prestigious institutions in California, England, Massachusetts, New Jersey and Toronto. He is currently the Chairperson of the Department of Astrophysical Sciences at Princeton University.

Among the numerous fellowships and awards Tremaine has won are the Carlyle S. Beals Award of the Canadian Astronomical Society, and the Rutherford Medal in Physics offered by the Royal Society of Canada. He has also served on 23 major external committees in the last decade alone, including ones for the Carnegie Institution of Washington and the National Research Council (USA).

Tremaine has published in excess of 90 papers, as well as a book published in 1987 entitled 'Galactic Dynamics'. He has also been a major contributor at conferences which have resulted in a number of publications.

In 1996, in recognition of his accomplishments in his field, an asteroid was named after Tremaine. One of his outstanding research achievements was when the Voyager probe verified his prediction of the existence of ring-shepherding satellites on Uranus.

His dedication to the field of science has earned him a Doctor of Science which he will receive in the afternoon convocation.

Globe-Trotting With the Dean of Science

Submitted by Dr. David Richardson,
Dean of Science

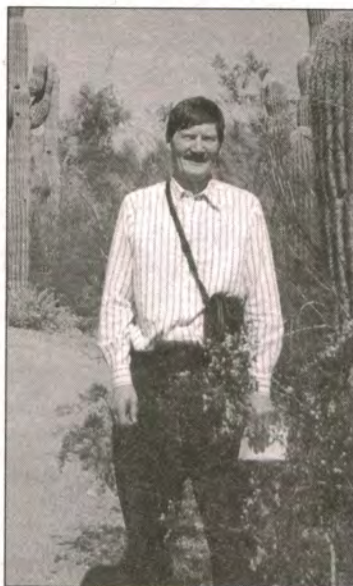
Dr. David Richardson, Dean of Science, has been on sabbatical since last summer. In July he visited England and Ireland, meeting colleagues in his research field and in August went to Israel where he gave a keynote address entitled War in the World of Lichens to the sixth International Mycological Congress attended by 1,000 delegates from around the world who study fungi and plant diseases.

After giving a lichen workshop in Maine in September, he has been working on the manuscript for a second edition of his book "Pollution Monitoring with Lichens" at the Nova Scotia Natural History Museum where the province's lichen and plant collections are housed.

Dr. Richardson has just returned from a tour of the centres of lichen research in the Western USA. First he visited Dr. Larry Saint Clair of Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. This University has some 20,000 students and is nestled against impressive snow-capped mountains that surround the valley and Great Salt Lake. The museum

contains the plant and animal collections and is open to the public. It has colourful displays of plants and large animals with various dioramas that rival those in the Museum of Nature in Ottawa. Dr. Saint Clair studies metal uptake in lichens as monitors of the steel mill and copper smelters. He also does research on the lichen that make up spoil crusts which stabilize the soils in the drier areas.

The next stop was with Dr. Tom Nash at Arizona State University. Dr. Nash has a large research group studying the effects of gaseous pollutants on lichens including sulphur dioxides, ozone and aldehydes from traffic exhausts. One student examining the impact of pollution from Mexico City on the lichens in nearby forests. Tempe is near Phoenix, one of the most rapidly growing cities in the USA. It is in the Arizona Desert which is the location of the famous Desert Botanical Garden with its unrivaled display of giant cacti. These were just coming into flower and provide nectar for humming birds and a wide variety of insects. Arizona State University has a new biology building conjoined to a museum



Dr. David Richardson, Dean of Science, in the Desert Botanical Garden, near Phoenix, Arizona.

housing a big collection of lichens from the southwest USA and the Sonoran desert.

The third stop on the trip was Bozeman, Montana which is a cattle rearing and wheat growing area again surrounded by mountains. The University of Montana was originally an agricultural college which accounts for the strong biological program and new plant sci-

ence building. Dr. Sharon Eversman studies the effects of air pollutants on lichens and the role of lichen crusts in soil stabilization. Yellowstone Park is located close to Bozeman and Dr. Eversman organized a field trip to see the elk which eat lichens during the winter. Other animals included deer, antelope and bison. Nineteen wolves were re-introduced from Canada five years ago and now there are several pack with over 100 animals. It is hoped that the wolves will control the growing elk population that threaten to overgraze the park. Also visited was the Missouri Headwaters Park where colourful and widespread lichen soil crusts are found together with prickly pear.

The final stop on the tour was San Francisco, the centre for the California Lichen Society that has over 100 members. Dr. Richardson gave a talk on lichens to the Society in the Museum building at Berkeley University. Rather than a land-based field trip, the former president of the society and her husband took Dr. Richardson on their sailboat and they saw the lichen communities on some of the small islands in the bay.

Dr. Richardson made arrangements for a visit by the Eastern American Lichenologists. They hold a Tuckerman Lichen workshop twice a year in various parts of the eastern and central USA. From May 6 to 11, they came to Canada for the first time. The lichen field workshop was based at White Point Resort. The participants surveyed the new Thomas Raddall Provincial Park with its rich lichen flora and also visit Kejimikujik National Park and a number of old growth forest sites in southern Nova Scotia. The group of 35 experts, mostly from the USA, included five leading Canadian lichenologists. Among them were Dr. Ernie Brodo from Ottawa who with Steve Sharnoff of the California Lichen Society is completing the new lichen flora of North America. Dr. Ted Ahti, a world authority on reindeer lichens also traveled from Finland to attend. The group made a list of lichens from the new park and provided information to the Nova Scotia Natural History Museum. The data should assist to make Nova Scotia a mecca for visits by other scientists interested in lichens. ♦

EMBA Students Learn Tricks of Trade in Brazil



by Crystal Oickle

Not even the worst flood Sao Paulo, Brazil has seen in 100 years could dampen the spirits of Saint Mary's Executive MBA students. They were on a mission — a trade mission, that is.

From February 26 to March 7, 14 international marketing students from the EMBA program visited Brazilian companies to gain a better understanding of how business is actually conducted across national borders. Bonnie Kirby, Manager of the EMBA program and Gabrielle Morrison, Vice President, Administration also traveled with the group.

Using Brazil as an example offered practical experience as to

what sort of problems a Canadian business might have when exploring international markets. For example, problems faced when working in Brazil include the country's economic crisis, language barriers, the currency crisis, and government interference in business and import restrictions. But the bigger message relayed to students was that Brazil is a resource-rich country with great potential for Canadian businesses.

The students, who hold senior level management positions within each of their respective companies, visited with representatives from Nortel Networks, a cellular phone company; Brascan Brazil; EMBRAER, an aircraft factory; and a General Motors plant. The group also visited Business

School Sao Paulo and University Mackenzie, where they sat in on economics classes and briefings regarding the country's economic crisis.

James Thompson, EMBA student and principal management consultant with DMR Group Inc., was thoroughly pleased with the trip's outcome. "I'm happy to say that the trip accomplished a number of key objectives for me," he says. "I was looking for an experience that was educational, cultural and business oriented. The trip accomplished all three." He hopes the international trip will become a requirement for the Executive MBA.

While students sat in on classes,

Gabrielle Morrison met with the schools' leaders.

"A very important part of internationalizing universities is to make sure that there is both administrative and academic commitment," says Morrison. "The latest commitment we've made with Brazil is an MBA articulation agreement between Saint Mary's and Business School Sao Paulo."

Under the agreement, students will complete the first year of the program at Sao Paulo; the remaining 50 per cent plus one course will be delivered at Saint Mary's. Dr. Ramesh Venkat, Saint Mary's MBA Director, created the initial proposal for the agreement and oversees its administrative structure. ♦

Taking home the top award in Atlantic Canada



This semester Nicole McLearn, an Honours Biology graduate (front), won first place for her oral presentation on nitrogen fixing bacteria at the Atlantic University's Undergraduate Biology Conference (AUUBC). According to one AUUBC judge, her win was a unanimous decision by the committee, which is very uncommon at such a competitive event. She is pictured here with Dr. Zhongmin Dong, a biology professor at Saint Mary's, who she conducted research with during the academic year. ♦

~ Scholarly and Professional Development ~

Accounting

At the Annual General Meeting of the Institute of Internal Auditors (Maritime) held in April, **Dr. Thomas Cheng** was elected President of the chapter for 1999-2000. The Maritime Chapter covers the provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island. The Institute of Internal Auditors is a global organization with total membership exceeding 70,000, about half from the U.S. and Canada and the other half from the rest of the world.

Marketing

Dr. Sanjay Sharma, Marketing Department was one of the 10 academics world-wide invited to the Annual Leaders Conference jointly hosted by the Boston College Center for Corporate Community relations and the Aspen Institute for Corporate Leadership in Orlando, Florida in March. The 10 academics facilitated knowledge building and dissemination of cutting-edge research in social innovations and competitiveness to over 300 corporate presidents and vice-presidents of the world's largest companies. The participant companies included MCI WorldCom, Intel, Honeywell, EDS, Exxon, Prudential, Scotiabank, Nortel, Royal Bank, Microsoft, Merrill Lynch, ABB, Royal Dutch-Shell, UPS, Bell South, Anheuser-Busch, Merck, McDonalds, Burger King, Walt Disney, Chevron, Eli Lilly, Bank of Boston, Universal Studios, British Aerospace, and Hewlett-Packard. Also, around half-a-dozen articles from management journals worldwide are picked every year for research translations into the Academy of Management Executive. The purpose is to make cutting-edge research accessible to business leaders. This journal goes to all the top executives of companies worldwide. This year, Dr. Sharma's article (with Harrie Vredenburg, Calgary) "Proactive corporate environmental strategy and the development of competitively valuable organizational capabilities" published in the *Strategic Management Journal*, has been chosen.

Management

This semester **Dr. Albert Mills** conducted a talk, "Organizational Culture and Gender Aspects in Management," at the International Business and Technology Summer Programme at Lappeenranta University of Technology in Finland. He was invited to be an external Ph.D. reviewer for a candidate defense at the University of Western Sydney Macarthur. At the end of March he found out that he and his co-investigator (Professor Jean Hatfield of Mount Allison University) had been awarded a \$58,000 SSHRC-grant to study gender and organizational change in the Canadian airline industry. In August of 1998 Dr. Mills was an International Visiting Professor at the invitation of the business school of Lappeenranta University of Technology in Finland, where he lectured students at an international summer school on 'Gender and Organizational Culture. In November he co-chaired (with Alex Kondra of Acadia) the HRM/OB division of the Atlantic Schools of Business annual conference, where he was also the co-organizer (with Deb Hurst of Acadia) of a new session on Alternative Approaches to Organizations. In December his article "Organizational Analysis Goes to the Movies" (co-authored with Peter Chiaramonte of Chapman University of California) was published in the *US Journal of Management Systems*. In January of this year Mills' co-authored (with Jean Hatfield of Mount Allison University) "From Imperialism to Globalization: Internationalization and the Management text" in English and Spanish versions of the book, *Global Management*, edited by Clegg et al.

Chemistry

Dr. John C. O'C. Young Recently gave a talk at the annual meeting of the Solar Energy Society of Nova Scotia on computerized monitoring of the performance of buildings.

Astronomy and Physics

Dr. Michael West had three successful proposals in the latest competition for telescope time using the Hubble Space Telescope. He has been awarded a total of 27 Earth orbits of time (approximately 25 hours) for these projects. These Space Telescope observations will be made between July 1999 and July 2000, and will also come with approximately U.S. \$135,000 in funding to Dr. West and his co-investigators. Dr. Michael West has been appointed head of the Canadian Time Allocation Committee of the Canada-France-Hawaii Telescope for 1999. This committee, which consists of six astronomers from across Canada, has the task of choosing which of the approximately 150 requests each year shall be awarded telescope time at the CFHT.

Dr. Malcom Butler has just completed a two-year term as chair of the Atlantic Provinces Council of the Sciences (APICS) Physics and Astronomy Committee. In parallel, a two year term as a Canadian Association of Physicists (CAP) regional councillor for Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island finishes in June. He also spent reading week at the Institute for Nuclear Theory at the University of Washington, Seattle as an invited participant at The Second INT Workshop on Effective Field Theory.

Dr. William Lonc, Prof. Emeritus, had an article entitled "Meteors by Radio: Getting Started", published in the February issue of *The Physics Teacher*. He also attended the annual Atlantic Provinces Undergraduate Physics and Astronomy Students Conference at University of Prince Edward Island (UPEI) and served as one of the judges.

Sociology

In November and December, **Dr. Linda Christiansen-Ruffman** participated in workshops in both Ujung and Jakarta, Indonesia which were associated with the Community Partnerships and Women's Studies Project. In January, she presented a paper at an international workshop organized jointly by the International Sociological Association and the South African Sociological Association. The paper was entitled "Principled Pragmatic Politics: Feminist Reflections in Remembrance of Galina Starovoirova." While in South Africa she also attended meetings of the Executive Committee of International Sociological Association.

Dr. Ishamel Okraku's article "Tavern-Going in America: A Casual Analysis" was published in *Leisure Sciences* Vol. 20, No. 4, 1998. In November of last year, he presented a paper entitled "Marital Status and Social Contact Among the Elderly: A Time Budget Perspective" at the 51st Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontology Society of America in Philadelphia, PA.

In November of last year, **Dr. Madine VanderPlaat** presented a paper entitled "The Role of the Evaluator in a Participatory Action Research Evaluation" at the 1998 American Evaluation Association Conference in Chicago.

Student Services

Theresa Emberly, Counseling Services, is now the representative for Saint Mary's with the Atlantic Association of College and University Student Services (AACUSS).

Sarah Morris, Coordinator of Counseling Services, has been appointed to the board of the Canadian University Counseling Centres Association. Morris is the Eastern Representative for a two year term. She has also been re-appointed to the Executive of the AACUSS as Secretary.

The 14th Annual Psychology Conference a Success



Droves of students made presentations at this year's annual psychology conference.

Almost 200 students attended the 14th annual psychology conference at Saint Mary's on April 3. Attention deficit disorder, job training in the food service industry, learning disabilities, child witness testimony, and stress among undergraduate students were just a handful of the topics students presented.

"I think it was a fantastic conference," says Dr. Veronica Stinson, a psychology professor from Saint Mary's and a key organizer of the event.

"Students get a taste of what a psychological conference is like as they make poster presentations and present their work, and some students get a chance to practice their public speaking skills," she says.

Another highlight of the day was

a lecture by Dr. Marilyn Smith from the University of Toronto. She spoke about psychological research on repressed memories of childhood abuse.

Psychology Professor Faizal Junus is one of the founders of the event which was first held in April, 1986.

"Personally, it is a great feeling for me to see my students beaming with pride as they display their work at the conference," he says. "The conference will continue for many years bringing academic pride to many students of psychology at Saint Mary's University."

Dr. Stinson and Professor Junus attribute the success of the event to the hard work of the students and also the administration. ♦

In the News...

Dr. Thomas Rand, Biology, was interviewed by the *Toronto Star* about how black slimy mold can pose a danger to health. He also appeared on Marketplace and talked about indoor air quality in schools.

Dr. Jamal Badawi, Management, was recently interviewed by CKDU, Global TV, the *Daily Columbian* (Columbia, Missouri), the *Time Magazine* and *Voice of America* (the Arabic section).

Chris Fletcher, Anthropology and **Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon**, President were interviewed by ATV during the celebrations on campus marking the debut of Canada's newest territory.

Dr. Leonard Preyra, Political Science, spoke to Global TV about the accuracy of reports from the war going on in Kosovo. He also spoke to Global about the Liberal annual meeting held recently in Halifax.

Dr. George Rigakos, Sociology & Criminology, spoke to CBC's *Information Morning* in Sydney after the Cape Breton Regional Municipality Police Chief suggested that crime rates will rise as the economy worsens in Cape Breton and especially after the Devco layoffs.

Dr. Owen Carrigan, History, spoke on the CJCH Radio Hotline about youth crime.

Dr. Vince Tobin, Modern Languages and Classics, spoke to the *Halifax Herald* about the Orthodox Easter.

Dr. Peter March, Philosophy, appeared on Global's *Maritimes Today* to talk about the idea of requiring parents to have licenses to parent.

Dr. Cyril Byrne, Irish Studies, was photographed in the *Halifax Herald* drowning the shamrock on St. Patrick's Day.

Dr. Padraig O Siadhail, Irish Studies, spoke to an ATV reporter about the Irish culture during the St. Patrick's Day celebrations on campus on March 17.

Dr. Colin Dodds, Vice-president Academic and Research, was interviewed by Global news about the proposed telephone merger announcement in Atlantic Canada and how it will effect employees and consumers.

Dr. Andrew Harvey, Economics, spoke to ATV about his recent study which took a look at the time spent doing domestic duties and the value given to this work.

Dr. Jamal Badawi, Management, was interviewed by Global about the why the organization of a union for workers at Michelin Tire has failed so far. He also spoke to Global about the death of King Hussain of Jordan and how his death will affect politics in the Middle East.

Chuck Bridges, Director of External Affairs, spoke to CBC Radio's George Jordan about recruitment of new students in Mexico.

Dr. Michael Larsen, Dean of Arts, was interviewed from The Gambia on CBC Radio in Halifax's *Information Morning* on the day of the country's first university graduation. ♦

Saint Mary's First University to Hire Recruiting Firm for Students

by Penny Murdock

The distance between a degree and desirable employment for Saint Mary's University students just got shorter thanks to a new initiative – the first of its kind in Canada.

The University has partnered with one of the top recruitment companies in Atlantic Canada to come to the campus and work with the MBA students. Not only do students work one-on-one with a trained professional in career development and placement on their home turf, but they get to work with recruitment experts who have intimate knowledge of the job market and high-profile client relationships.

In January, Saint Mary's hired Gerald Walsh Recruitment Services to help develop a successful career development and placement service that will result in more and better job opportunities for MBA students and giving the University a higher profile in the business community.

"It has been very well received by the students particularly those going on interviews," says Mr. Walsh, BComm '76. "They are going out much better prepared for interviews and with effective resumés. This means they are not just representing themselves well, but also the University."

Most universities hire an indi-

vidual who then becomes a university employee to work on campus developing job opportunities for students and preparing students for the work world.

By outsourcing the job to a recruiting firm, the students will have better access to better jobs. What Gerald Walsh Recruitment Services provides could never be found on campus alone. They offer unique access to senior level managers and human resource professionals through existing client relationships, extensive expertise in the job search process, first-hand knowledge of the trends and issues in the job market, and professionalism and credibility in the marketplace.

Two days a week, Gerald Walsh and his Consultants come to their on-campus office where they meet with the students. Each MBA student is assigned a Career Consultant, based on the student's area of specialty. They provide students with individual career guidance as required and conduct practice interviews.

Over the next few months, they will be contacting national employers and encouraging them to build Saint Mary's into their fall recruiting circuit. "We have to convince them why they should visit us," says Mr. Walsh. But this shouldn't be a problem. "The view of Saint Mary's



Gerald Walsh meets with first year MBA students Suwanna Arunsawatwong and Wendy Wang in the Sobey Building.

MBA grads is very favorable by employers. The students become agents of the University so it's important that they are well prepared when meeting with potential employers. That's our job."

Some other features of this unique program include a web site that employers and students can

access, networking events, liaising with recruiters and on-campus interviews, summer internships and consulting projects, meeting with prospective MBA students, and workshops on everything from tapping the hidden job market to defining your ideal job. One of the goals of this program is

to ultimately give the University a competitive advantage when recruiting students.

The program is currently only in place for MBA students, but it has been so successful that plans are to expand it to include other programs in the Arts, Science and Commerce faculties in the future. ♦

NEWS Briefs

Presidential Search

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says. "This profile should be developed with input from all segments of the University community. The Committee would like to have input from students, staff, faculty, and alumni in an effort to develop the background, experience and personal qualities which would be considered desirable in the new President. The Committee is encouraging everyone to participate in this process of developing the profile."

He says that once input has been obtained from all segments, the Committee will then draft the ideal profile of the President which will form the model or basis of the search.

While this is going on, a Request For Proposal will go out to consulting firms. The successful firm will assist the Search Committee in its endeavours.

The next stage will then move forward with the seeking of candidates, both externally and internally.

The Committee will then decide on how to proceed from there. Bel-

lieveu anticipates that the normal process will be to direct the consultant to develop a short list, ultimately leading to interviews of the top candidates.

He says that once the Search Committee has its final candidates, a process will be developed to provide input and exposure from the University community.

"The challenge is to ensure that Saint Mary's is able to find a leader who is ready to meet the challenges facing the University as we start the next millennium, having in mind what Saint Mary's is all about," he says. "Our motto is 'Where Tradition Meets the Future.' There is a lot of meaning in that phrase when you actually analyze the qualities which the new University President must have in order to advance the University's interests for the new millennium. With everyone's help and support, I am sure that we will have a very successful search, resulting in an excellent choice for President." ♦

Employment Equity Plan at Saint Mary's Passes Compliance Review

On March 25, Mustafa Chowdhury (HRDC Ottawa) and Rick Sider (HRDC Halifax) were on campus to conduct a compliance review. They met with the EMG, Senior Administrators and the Employment Equity Committee and toured the campus to assess accessibility.

The compliance officers were pleased with the University's Plan.

The University's challenge now is to put the plan into action. The University's first Employment Equity Work Plan was submitted to the Federal Government in November 1998.

Saint Mary's Leaps Forward for the Metro United Way

This year, employees of Saint Mary's have helped in building a stronger and healthier community. Under the Leadership of Dr. Patricia Fitzgerald, Management Department, and Larry Corrigan, Chief Financial Officer, an amazing \$18,141 was raised for the 1998 Metro United Way Annual Workplace Campaign.

This represents a 48% over 1997 contributions. This year's success can be attributed to the strong team of approximately 30 volunteers who dedicated their time to canvas their fellow co-workers.

In recognition of the wonderful contribution by the staff of Saint Mary's, the Metro United Way presented the University with a "Quantum Leap Award." This award recognizes those organizations that achieve at least a 25% increase in donors or donations over the previous year.

From the classroom to boardrooms!

This semester, Professor Ellen Farrell's Strategic Management class hit the road. Students of Management 489 visited companies throughout the province to make their final course presentations and tour facilities.

This year the students visited the Sobey Executive Offices in Stellarton and saw the Canadian investment art collection housed in the original home of Frank Sobey; went on board a ship owned by Secunda Marine and attended the site of the largest capital project in the province, Stora Forest Industries in Port Hawkesbury.

At each location, the students presented their final strategic cases in the morning. The sponsoring company for the day provides

lunch for everyone, and then the students spent the afternoon taking a tour of the companies facilities, plant or location.

The innovative class is intended to make the final oral presentations experience a more realistic event by presenting in a real corporate boardroom. Students sometimes presented with the company's executives in the room.

"When students recognize that they will be presenting outside the classroom, it heightens everyone's expectations of their work and they consequently do a better job than they would have done in the classroom," says Professor Farrell. "Students love it, and they had to give up each Friday in the month of March to attend the tours and presentation."

The funding necessary to transport the students was supported by Atlantic Towing, Pepsi, Appleton Rum, the Saint Mary's University Student's Association (SMUSA), Student Services, the Faculty of Commerce, the Academic Vice-President's office, and the efforts of all 35 students who contributed by organizing bake sales, ticket sales, fund raising and raffles. ♦

Correction Notice

We would like to apologize for an error in the Year at a Glance section of the Special Edition of *The Times*, April 1999.

The information on Hall of Fame inductees should have read: Saint Mary's Hall of Fame inductees: Jim Pineo, hockey; Bob Boucher in the Builder category; and the 1973 football team. Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame inductees: Dr. Elizabeth Chard and the 1973 basketball team. ♦



1998/99 Athletic Award Winners



Members of the Women's Hockey Team gather for a picture before the Big Dinner and Awards.

Huskies' Hockey Coach Top University Coach in Canada

In just his second season with the Huskies, **Trevor Stienburg** was named the Canadian Inter-university Athletic Association (CIAU) Coach of the Year.

The Huskies had a strong '98/99 season finishing regular season play with a 13-11-2 record, losing to Acadia in the playoffs. The series went three games, with the first game ending in double overtime, the second game the Huskies won 6-3 and they lost the final game 1-0.

Player **Jim Midgley** was named AUAA Rookie of the Year and was also named to the CIAU All-Rookie Team. Captain **Bob MacIsaac** was named to the AUAA All-Star team. Goalie **Mike Weatherbie** was second in the league in goals against average and also picked up Team MVP honours.

Only five players will not be returning next season which leaves the Hockey Huskies with a strong core of returning players for '99/2000 season.

Women's Volleyball

The Volleyball Huskies finished the regular season in 5th place with a 10 and 8 record. In AUAA playoff quarterfinal action they dropped three games to UNB to end their playoff hopes. The team was led by 5th year setter, captain and team MVP, **Nadine Sinclair**. Nadine was named to the AUAA All-Star team for the 2nd year in a row and teammate **Barbara Brown** was named a 2nd team All-Star.

Volleyball also picked up honors at the annual athletic awards banquet with **Ruth Wilkins** being honored with the President Trophy for academic and athletic achievement and Nadine Sinclair being named Female Athlete of the Year.

Women's Basketball

The Huskies posted an 8 and 12 record for the '98/99 season and grabbed the 5th playoff spot. In the AUAA Championship, hosted by Saint Mary's, the Huskies lost to their cross-town rivals, the Dalhousie Tigers. The Huskies lead scorer was 5th year forward **Jennifer Reid** who finished 6th in AUAA scoring with 14.7ppg and was named to the 2nd team All-Star. **Lisa Ward** was also named to the 2nd team All-Star team and led the AUAA in rebounds with a 9.8rpg average.



Coach Roy Clements and Vern Creighton at the Athletic Awards reception held in the Theatre Auditorium. Hockey Manager John Gilhen won the Manager of the Year Award named after Mr. Creighton.



Paula MacNeil was awarded Women's Rugby Most Valuable Player Honours by Assistant Coaches Frank Yakimchuck and Tom Purcell.



Huskies' Football Coach presents Kyl Morrison with team MVP Honours.



Athletics Director Larry Uteck awards Basketball Player Jonah Taussig with Male Athlete of the Year Award. He also won the award in 1998.



Cross Country runner Andrew Pepper is awarded Most Valuable Player by Coach Kevin Heisler.

Individual Awards ●●●●●●●●●●

- John Jones Memorial* – Lloyd Thomas, Men's Basketball
- Bob Hayes Award* – John Patterson
- Vern Creighton* – John Gilhen, Manager, Men's Hockey
- Dr. David Petrie Award* – Lesley Jordan

Team MVPs ●●●●●●●●●●

- Men's Hockey* – Mike Weatherbie
- Men's Basketball* – Jonah Taussig
- Field Hockey* – Roxanne Jagosh
- Track & Field* – Lee Myrick
- Women's Ice Hockey* – Stephanie Wilson
- Women's Basketball* – Lisa Ward, Jennifer Reid
- Men's Soccer* – Chris Harrison

- Cross Country* – Andrew Pepper
- Football* – Kyl Morrison
- Volleyball* – Nadine Sinclair
- Women's Rugby* – Paula MacNeil
- Women's Soccer* – Lynn Wright

Major Awards ●●●●●●●●●●

- President's Award, Male* – Charlie Toth, Football
- President's Award, Female* – Ruth Wilkins, Volleyball
- Female Rookie of the Year* – Erin Keating, Soccer
- Male Rookie of the Year* – Jim Midgley, Hockey
- Female Athlete of the Year* – Nadine Sinclair
- Male Athlete of the Year* – Jonah Taussig

Saint Mary's is Number One!

Huskies take national basketball title

The siren that signalled the end of the final game at the Canadian Inter-university Athletic (CIAU) men's basketball championship could barely be heard over the deafening sound of 9,000 cheering fans. But everyone at the Halifax Metro Centre had a good reason to celebrate on Sunday, March 21 as the Huskies' walked away with a 73-69 win over the top seeded Alberta Golden Bears.

There was little doubt in anybody's mind that this was one of the most exciting and memorable games in Canadian university sports. The score was neck-in-neck through the whole game, but the Huskies' displayed an immense amount of talent on the court which gave them the victory in overtime. And as the clock hit zero, the Huskies' bench leaped to the centre of the floor. Seconds later the stands emptied as the players were joined by hundreds of their admirers who had believed in them from the beginning. Tears rolled down the faces of players, their parents, and their die-hard fans who spent the past 48 hours on the edge of their seats.

It had been 20 years since the men's basketball Huskies had captured a national title, and the emotion of the moment was overwhelming.

It was a victory not just for the team but for the entire province. Huskies' pride was rampant. And it will be for years to come.

The Halifax Regional Municipality honoured the team two nights later at their council meeting when one by one each player was presented with a congratulatory scroll from the Municipality and a standing ovation from all those present. The following night, it was the University's turn to celebrate its team. Over 300 people jammed into the University's Theatre Auditorium to cheer for their national champs. The next day the province honoured the Huskies when players were presented with gifts from Premier Russell MacLellan, who afterwards introduced them to members of legislative assembly. A round of applause broke out following the introductions.

"It was a great feeling to win," says coach Ross Quackenbush. "I am proud of our team, real proud as they worked extremely hard as a team to be number one. It was a great basketball game. The tension was so thick you could cut it with a knife, but we never lost our focus."

For Quackenbush, it was his

third crown, this one as coach, the other two coming in '78 and in '79, as a player with the Huskies.

Alumnus Mickey Fox who played for the Huskies when they won the national title in '73 and '79 calls the wins the most memorable moments of his life.

"I was only 19 at the time. It was Saint Mary's first ever championship and we won it on the road at the hostile grounds of Water-

a minute left in the game, Mick (Mickey Fox) and I looked at each other and we just knew we won the game," says Gallinaugh. They were greeted at the airport by a gathering of loyal fans, and a homecoming parade for the team followed.

"It was that moment in time that we knew we had just achieved everything we had been working towards," says Gallinaugh.

The emotions stirred up by the '99 championship haven't changed. "I can't even describe how it feels to win," says Cory Janes, a forward for the Huskies from Nictaux Falls, Nova Scotia. He was awarded the Most Valuable Player (MVP) for the Final Eight Tournament. "We worked all year to bring

this team together and we beat three tough teams to get where we are."

There is no doubt that the friendships that have been formed between these 12 players of this year's team will last a lifetime. Fox and Gallinaugh can vouch for that.

"The guys on the team are my best friends in the world," says Fox. "I hope the players on the '99 team realize what a championship means to them, the city and the province. And all those they have inspired along the way. It's an unbelievable feeling."

Gallinaugh is impressed with this year's team. "I have never seen a team like that ('99 team). When I saw them, I was just amazed by their talent."

Fox's advice to the players is to work hard over the summer and do it all again next year. He says this year's CIAU championships allowed him to live his national wins with the Huskies all over again. "The expression on Ross' (Quackenbush) face was priceless. He worked hard to develop a first class program at Saint Mary's and deserves this win more than anyone I know."

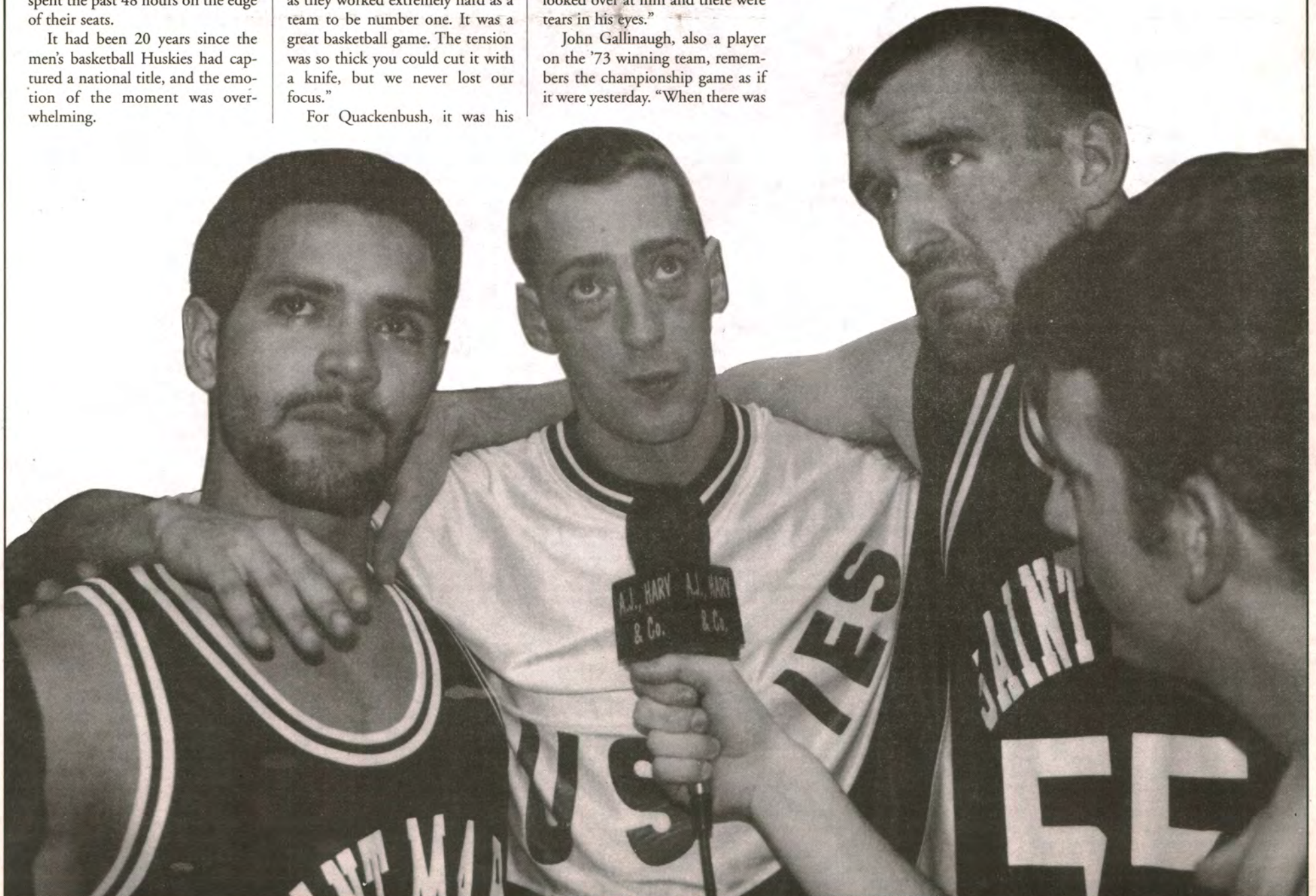
Saint Mary's beat the Western Mustangs, and the McMaster Marauders to advance to the final game.

And if you ask any team members what's in store for next year, they'll all tell you one thing: *another win!* ♦

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loo," says Fox. "I kept calling my parents to give them updates on the games, and little did I know they were in the stands all along. Father Hennessey kept shaking his cane at us, and threatening us if we didn't win. I remember at the end of the game when we had won, I looked over at him and there were tears in his eyes."

John Gallinaugh, also a player on the '73 winning team, remembers the championship game as if it were yesterday. "When there was



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Hoop Magic in Halifax

Even after 20 years, Ross Quackenbush had no trouble remembering the feeling of winning back-to-back national titles.

It was fresh enough in his mind, and warm enough in his heart, that he could nag about it, a little bit each day, to the young men under his guidance in the Saint Mary's Huskies' varsity basketball program.

You can get there, you can do it, he told them.

Even after they'd lost seven of their 11 games in the first half of the season.

Even after their league record lurched to a mediocre 12-8 before the playoffs began.

Even after they walked into the Halifax Metro Centre as the seventh-ranked team in a field of eight, dismissed in the national media as the token Atlantic conference team that wouldn't live to see daylight.

Coach was right, again.

In scratching their way to a 73-69 overtime victory over the Alberta Golden Bears on Sunday, the Huskies provided storybook endings on a couple of fronts.

To Quackenbush, who becomes the first men's basketball coach to win a Canadian Championship at the school where he also won as a player.

To Huskies' forward Cory Janes, the Middleton product who clawed his way back from academic suspension last year, to become a more successful student, and, by the way, tournament MVP.

Janes, showing the class that his entire team exemplified throughout the CIAUs, dismissed his individual honours by saying he's just "a good player on a great team."

And speaking of teams, a second unit also had a lot at stake,

and pulled off a major victory, at the weekend tournament.

The CIAU organizing committee, chaired by Peter Halpin (a member of the 1973 SMU national champs), fought its own battle in 1998 to keep the Final Eight in Halifax. Once again, with a proven track record for attendance and organization, the committee convinced CIAU officials that Halifax deserves to remain the hometown of hangtime for college hoop, at least through the 2001 championships.

With the Huskies staying alive to reach Sunday's final, an attendance record of 36,000 was set for the three-day event, topping the 1993 mark of 31,000. That year, St. Francis Xavier X-men brought the Atlantic conference its last title.

The Huskies fed off the crowd, and the crowd fed off the Huskies. The love-in level climbed a little higher with each game as the stakes went up. And when the final buzzer blasted, the building broke down into a seething, screeching mass of tears and sweat, relief and euphoria. Then, the party was on.

There were, again, the disappointingly predictable complaints from the other teams about the referees (who, after all, came from across the country) favouring the Huskies with fewer fouls.

Alberta coach Don Horwood said he didn't want to preach sour grapes, but then went on to do just that, noting the Huskies had seven fewer fouls and 18 more free throws than the Bears.

Perhaps he should look instead to the Huskies' stellar performance on the boards, where they completely dominated with 58 rebounds compared to 33 for Alberta. That, in fact, is where the



The team at City Hall.

gritty defensive battle was won.

The Huskies brought their talent, they brought their legs, they brought their smarts, but most of all, they brought their hearts. It made the difference in a game that was a couple of points within dead

even almost from start to finish.

Quackenbush, who said after the game that it's more special to win as a player than as a coach, gave his team a gift not all coaches can provide.

He made them believe in them-

selves, and believe the title was within their reach. Hadn't he'd lived it himself, in what probably seemed like only a heartbeat ago?

It was enough to bring the hoop magic back for the Huskies, and for Halifax. ♦



Senate of Canada

The Honourable Wilfred P. Moore, Q.C.

Tuesday, March 23, 1999

Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union Basketball Championships 1999 Congratulations to Saint Mary's University Huskies on Winning

Hon. Wilfred P. Moore: Honourable senators, I rise today to make a statement in recognition of the achievement of the men's varsity basketball team of Saint Mary's University of Halifax, NS.

This past Sunday afternoon, the basketball Huskies, ranked number seven in the nation, won the Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union championship in a thrilling 73-69 overtime victory over the number one ranked Alberta Golden Bears in a tournament played before a crowded Metro Centre in Halifax. This marked the first time such title has been decided in overtime.

Saint Mary's last won this national title 20 years ago. Ross Quackenbush, coach of the Huskies, was a member of those 1978 and 1979 teams. It should be noted that Cory Janes of Middleton, Nova Scotia, who plays centre with the Huskies, was named most valuable player of this year's tournament.

As an alumnus and one serving on the board of governors of Saint Mary's University, it is with grace and pride that we savour this gutsy victory, a victory that also speaks well of the strength and spirit of our Atlantic Universities Athletic Association. This win is also a confirma-

tion of the balancing of academic and athletic excellence at Saint Mary's, founded in 1802, and a university where tradition meets the future. We heartily congratulate Coach Quackenbush, his team and their legion of supporters.

We also extend our thanks and gratitude to Peter Halpin, a former varsity basketball player at Saint Mary's and a member of the Huskies 1973 national championship team, and his crew of unselfish volunteers for their commitment and hard work in organizing and convening this first-class national athletic event. ♦

Premier MacLellan congratulates Huskies team members.

Jonah Taussig celebrates the victory with his parents.

