



Holly Melanson, (far right) a graduate student in Saint Mary's International Development Studies program has been conducting research in Northern Thailand since May, 2000. Melanson received a \$10,000 Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) grant to examine the types of programs employed by non-governmental organizations along the Thailand-Burma border. She is an example of Saint Mary's students who are studying, working and conducting research around the world. For her story and profiles of other students' international work see page 7.

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Members of the Facilities Management team pose in front of the newly renovated Gerard Hall Residence.



The Path to the Presidency - Dr. J. Colin Dodds

By Lisa Legatto

In 1982, Dr. J. Colin Dodds and his wife Carol took a chance on Saint Mary's University. The Dodds, with their newborn daughter, Elizabeth and five year old son, James left the life they had built in England to come to Halifax. This was a pivotal move for Dr. Dodds, one that would ultimately lead to him becoming the 33rd President of Saint Mary's.

The Dodds' decision left their friends scratching their heads. Dr. Dodds remembers, "We had friends who could not even find Nova Scotia in their British atlas because it was lost in the crease between the pages." Nobody could relate to the idea that they would leave everything behind.

"Colin had a very good job," says Mrs. Dodds. "We had found the perfect house, our families were within 20 miles and suddenly we decided to come to Halifax." Dr. Dodds

had been offered a position as an Associate Professor of Finance and Management Science in the Faculty of Commerce.

The Dodds had previously lived in Ontario when Dr. Dodds was a visiting associate professor at McMaster University. They had a choice between moving to Singapore or Halifax. Dr. Dodds says, "What tipped the balance on the choice was the very welcoming atmosphere of Saint Mary's during and after the interview process."

They arrived at Saint Mary's a week after the September term had started and stayed at a Bedford motel. "Interest rates were very high and it was November before we could move into what became our home for 12 years." It was difficult, but within a very short period of time the Dodds say that they felt very much a part of the Saint Mary's and local community.

Dr. Dodds soon established himself at Saint Mary's. When he assumed his position as President on July 1, 2000 he had occupied

every possible academic role at the University. He became a full professor and the Chair of the Finance and Management Science Department and Director of the Master of Business

Administration program only two years after his arrival at Saint Mary's. Three years later, he was appointed the Dean of the Faculty of Commerce. In 1991, he was named the chief academic

officer, Vice-President Academic and Research.

Dr. Dodds learned a great deal in the job that he describes in military terms as 2IC - second in command. "When you've

been a V.P. Academic it's certainly not the same as being president but on the other hand you have the macro view of the whole university." No one could

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Facilities Management Teams Praised for a Remarkable Job

by Paul Fitzgerald and Lisa Legatto

"Let's not forget our second wind," is the expression Joe Aucoin, Residence Custodial Supervisor used while he walked through the halls of Gerard Hall last April. Gerard Hall is the residence that is currently housing over 300 Saint Mary's students while renovations are being made to the Loyola residence building on campus. An extensive amount of work was needed to renovate Gerard Hall, the for-

mer Halifax Infirmary nurses' residence that was abandoned for the last two years.

"None of us ever forgot that expression I used," Aucoin says with a smile. "We followed it, used it, and it sure worked for us." The University community is praising the entire Facilities Management crew for ensuring that the building, located near Halifax's downtown core, was ready in time for the students earlier this month. In fact, most of the facility was completed in time for Orientation Day, held in late July.

"We really enjoyed working together," says Wanda Burke, Facilities Management. "We are all really proud of it." "It was a lot of blood, sweat, and tears," Robert Foote of Facilities Management says with a laugh. "We all worked hard as a team to make sure we got the job done on time for the students." Janet Jollimore, who also spent a lot of time working at the twelve story facility, says that while the work was hard, everyone made it fun. "We had a lot of work to do," she says. "But we all made sure we did a good job, and we had

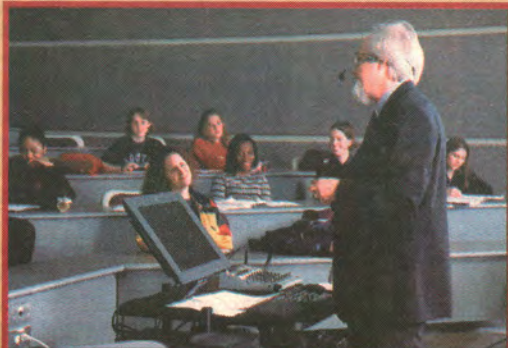
a ball doing it."

During the last three months of the project the Facilities Management staff had to spread their forces across campus and Gerard Hall. With a third of the staff at Gerard Hall, those remaining, including the summer students, had to deal with significant demands on their time. This meant long hours and personal sacrifices of summer vacation. Gary Schmeisser, Director of Facilities Management, received assur-

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The Liberated Learning Project has been launched at Saint Mary's offering an alternative to notetaking for students with disabilities. With the aid of speech recognition software (voice-to-text) students will not only hear but also see a lecture in real time. Dr. Robert Konopasky, Saint Mary's psychology professor, was one of the three volunteer professors who used speech recognition technology in a university classroom during the initial testing period in 1998. See story on page 2.



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Saint Mary's Prepares for FOIPOP

By Lisa Legatto

When the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPOP) is extended to universities on November 23, Saint Mary's will have to be prepared for a fundamental change in the way that information is collected, recorded and catalogued.

Chuck Bridges, Director of External Affairs says that it was a mistake to extend FOIPOP to universities because it treats them like another government agency or department. Saint Mary's now receives less than 35% of its funding from government. Bridges adds, "By including universities in the act, that clearly raises the spectre that universities have not been as accountable or forthcoming as they have been in the past and that is not the case."

In the spring, Saint Mary's hosted briefing sessions for all of the metro uni-

versities with the assistance of the Department of Justice, the department responsible for the act. A group of 12 representing a cross section of Saint Mary's faculty and staff were then asked to identify specific issues for the University including gaps in the legislation.

At the request of the president, External Affairs with its central role in governmental relations, has led the University through the implementation process to date. This summer, the Council of Nova Scotia University Presidents (CONSUP) appointed a group to work with the Department of Justice to clarify elements of the act and minimize any negative impact that might hurt the University or expose it to legal and financial difficulties. That group included Chuck Bridges, Director External Affairs, Royden Trainer, Executive Assistant to the VP Academic, Acadia University and Brian Crocker, legal counsel, Dalhousie University.

"The University is going to have to develop a record keeping program," says Bridges. "All documents that are in our control, some of which could date back 200 years will have to be catalogued."

Records, under FOIPOP are any written material whether it be an email, minutes from a meeting or notes made during a selection process. If the records are kept then they are subject to FOIPOP requests and could be made public. "Embarrassment is not a reason for withholding documents," says Bridges. Faculty and staff are advised to clearly define what is opinion and advice in written materials. FOIPOP also involves the protection of privacy, outlining what information must be protected such as personal information, research and fundraising.

Past experiences in health care and education suggest that the most requests will focus on budget and salary informa-

tion. Much of that information is already public, including departmental budgets, salary ranges and collective agreements.

There is a great deal of planning and staff training that still has to be done between now and the November deadline. "It will mean a significant amount of work, a significant training program and significant burden added to the daily operations of an already lean operation," says Bridges.

Specific University Exemptions N.S. Universities and FOIPOP

- In-camera meetings
- Research
- Peer Review
- tenure
- awards
- Examination questions
- admission
- research evaluation

FOIPOP Ramifications For Universities - November 23, 2000

- Open access practices may continue
- Disclosure denial: potential FOIPOP applications
- Unless excluded, all records subject to Act
- Not all records will require disclosure
- ID of records will be needed
- Existing information practices may need review e.g. privacy protection of personal information
- Disgruntled clients may seek FOIPOP route
- Faculty, students, employees will need information

Advice

- Prepare and take advantage of training
- Accept cultural change
- Communicate privacy/disclosure policies.
- Use web site to inform
- Have records organization/retention schedule
- Appoint a key person as administrator
- Link with all faculties/departments

The Liberated Learning Project is Launched



Keith Bain, Liberated Learning Project Manager, far left, with the Australian partners from the University of the Sunshine Coast. (L-R) top row, Phil Gorbet, Di Paez, bottom row, Phillip Waite and Bronwyn Stevens.

by Lisa Legatto

Saint Mary's Liberated Learning Project (LLP) is being implemented in classrooms for the first time this fall. The project, the first of its kind, will use IBM speech recognition technology to make university lecture content more accessible to students with disabilities. Saint Mary's students are being introduced to the LLP during the initial weeks of classes.

The Liberated Learning Project (LLP) was developed out of a pilot project in 1998. The project uses the latest voice-activated software to deliver class lecture notes to students with disabilities. Using cordless microphones during lectures, the software immediately converts the professor's voice to text, which will appear on a large screen at the front of the classroom. Students will then be able to obtain the text of the lecture on disk or download it later to either print or convert the text to Braille.

The LLP has been developed by Saint Mary's Atlantic Centre of Research, Access and Support for Students with Disabilities, a consortium of universities and industry partners. It has expanded into an international initiative, led by Saint Mary's, and in partnership with IBM, MTT, and universities in England, the United States and Canada. The LLP team led by Dr. David Leitch, Project Director and

Director of The Atlantic Centre met with four partners from the University of the Sunshine Coast, Queensland, Australia at Saint Mary's in June before traveling to New York for meetings with IBM researchers. The University of the Sunshine Coast, one of the Liberated Learning test sites is in the final preparation and testing stages of the project before implementing the LLP in the new year.

IBM has donated the latest voice recognition software, will assist in training faculty members and provide leading speech technology expertise and direction. "The New York meeting exceeded our best expectations and was a complete success," says Keith Bain, project manager. While in New York, a group which included Saint Mary's administrators, the LLP team and team members from the Atlantic Centre met with Dr. David Nahamoo, IBM's head of research. He spoke of the importance of the project and how privileged IBM feels to be partnering with Saint Mary's on such a potentially revolutionary concept. "We were a little overwhelmed by the show of support from IBM's most senior researchers," says Bain. "This project and our relationship with IBM puts Saint Mary's at the forefront internationally in this research stream."

This summer, The Liberated Learning Project received the continued funding from the J. W. McConnell Family Foundation's \$1.2 million dollar grant.

Dr. Dodds

be better prepared to take on the presidency than Dr. Dodds.

"Having come through the ranks as it were, I am very committed to the importance of teaching, research and service and the role the whole Saint Mary's community can assist in advancing these goals."

At home, Dr. and Mrs Dodds began to carve out a new life for their family. "We had to make our own traditions." Mrs. Dodds says, "So our family is a very strong family unit, the four of us." The family has significant ties to the University. Mrs. Dodds holds an M.Ed. in Curriculum and Administration and an M.A. in Teaching English as a Second Language from Saint Mary's. She has been an active member of the faculty women's association, helping to organize pot luck dinners, children's Christmas parties and hosting receptions at their South End home. Six years ago, she returned to work as an elementary school teacher. This year, she took on a new role as vice-principal of Inglis Street School.

James, 23, graduated with distinction from Saint Mary's in May 1995 with a B.A. and B.Comm. He was the Legislative Assistant to former Progressive Conservative M.P. and P.C. Finance Critic in the House Scott Brison. Since Brison vacated his parliamentary seat to enable party leader Joe Clark to run in the September federal by-election James is now working in the P.C. research office in Ottawa. Elizabeth, or Lizzie as she is known by family and friends, literally grew up at Saint Mary's. She was only 12 weeks old when the family moved to Halifax. "She has known nothing else," her father says. She recently graduated from The Halifax Grammar School with an International Baccalaureate Diploma and is now attending Mount Allison University.

All of Dr. Dodds' experience did not prepare him for people's reactions when he was announced as Saint Mary's next president. "It was very, very nice. It was embarrassing in a sense to get all of that attention - it was overwhelming," he says. "We received letters, messages and phone calls from every segment of Saint Mary's and every segment of Halifax. It was very gratifying." Mrs. Dodds was touched by the number of people who stopped her on the street to extend their congratulations.

Dr. Dodds isn't accustomed to attention being directly on him even though he is recognized for his media savvy and has been a favourite finan-



Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President of Saint Mary's served first year students at the annual President's Dinner.

cial commentator for years. "In my job as V.P. Academic one of the key things that I had to learn to do and I was pleased to do was to let other people shine," he says. "I like other people to get the credit for what they do." Dr. Dodds' modesty was evident when Mrs. Dodds was asked to describe her husband's greatest strengths. "He's tolerant, very good at listening and very much a person of integrity," she says. "Shall I carry on?"

"No." Dr. Dodds answered with a smile.

Dr. Dodds does enjoy drawing attention to Saint Mary's strengths. His genuine enthusiasm and animated description of some of his first priorities as president reveal how much he looks forward to the work ahead. It will include campus renewal, the renovations on the residences followed by the Science, Burke and McNally buildings as well as long term projects like Huskies Stadium. Another objective will be expanding the profile of the University. "We need to make people across Canada more aware of Saint Mary's," he says. Dr. Dodds is concerned not only with goals and big picture plans but he offers specific strategies about how to best use the World Wide Web, search engines and CD ROMs.

He also wants to utilize what he describes as the tremendous alumni base stretching across the world and generations. "We need to build on the relationship that we already have with our alumni." Dr. Dodds highlights the need for the University to become more proactive especially in recruiting students from specific areas like the American east coast and Ontario. "To invest in an education is a big decision for somebody and their parents. It's increasingly competitive."

Throughout his career at Saint Mary's Dr. Dodds has had clear visions for the future. Whether it be increasing

ties with the business community, globalizing the campus, the establishment of The Frank H. Sobey Faculty of Commerce or distinctive programs such as the EMBA, Dr. Dodds has consistently surpassed his goals. On January 26, 2000 he outlined his mandate and offered a glimpse of his personal feelings about the University. "My commitment to you is that we will meld the past and present with the future - a future that as we approach our bi-centenary I know belongs to the University we all love and are proud to be a part of."

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Research News...

Dr. Seana Kozar – One of Canada's Best New Researchers



Dr. Seana Kozar, SSHRC postdoctoral fellow.

In July, Dr. Seana Kozar was announced as one of the winners in the 2000 national competition for postdoctoral fellowships granted by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC).

Dr. Kozar, a folklorist and storyteller is among the country's most promising new researchers in social sciences and humanities to receive the SSHRC fellowship. The fellowship valued at \$28,428 per year, plus a \$5,000 allowance to cover direct research costs was granted to one in four applicants. It will enable Dr. Kozar to begin two years of full-time research work at Saint Mary's through the Gorsebrook Research Institute for Atlantic Studies.

Dr. Kozar will focus on the Literacy and Museum Project, a program that allows groups of adult literacy learners to conduct research in local museums as a way of building their com-

munication skills. The national project, known as the Learning Museum, is a collaboration between museums, literacy programs and universities. It began with three sites across the country with Dr. Kozar heading up the group in Nova Scotia. This year, she has three museum sites in Whitney Pier, Cape Breton, Bridgewater and the Annapolis Valley. "A lot of adult literacy students have a great love of community history," she says. "So I wanted to celebrate that in a way that would help people to achieve some of their educational goals." An example is the research literacy learners will conduct examining immigrant women's home health remedies through interviews with women in

Whitney Pier from different ethnic communities.

Before coming to Saint Mary's, Dr. Kozar completed her masters and doctoral work at Memorial University in Chinese narratives and popular culture. She says that the Gorsebrook Research Institute plays a number of roles in her research. "It provides me with an academic affiliation that is flexible enough that I'm able to go out and do this research." The fact that it is composed of diverse scholars is why Kozar says that she wanted to base her postdoctorate at Saint Mary's. "You have people from all kinds of different disciplines participating in the Gorsebrook and strengthening its research activities."

Dr. Marleau Joins Astronomy and Physics Department Through UFA

By Lisa Legatto



Dr. Francine Marleau has joined the Astronomy and Physics Department as the recipient of The National Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) University Faculty Award.

This fall, 22 of the most promising Canadian female researchers in the natural sciences and engineering will assume faculty positions in universities across the country through the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) University Faculty Awards. As one of the successful applicants to the UFA program, Saint Mary's University will welcome Dr. Francine Marleau, a dynamic researcher, to the Astronomy and Physics Department. Dr. Marleau is the first female faculty member to join the department.

Dr. Marleau is very excited about being chosen for the UFA. "It represents the opportunity to do great science and pursue my research in Canada," she says.

"Because of its special emphasis on research, having a UFA is an excellent bridge between full-time research at the postdoctoral level and a faculty position which may involve a large amount of teaching." The University Faculty Awards Program provides incentives for Canadian universities to appoint up and coming female researchers to tenure track positions in science and engineering. Each award recipient receives an annual salary for up to five years, as well as research grants. Dr. Marleau's total NSERC grant is valued at \$62,646.

She has spent the last two years as a research associate at Cambridge's Institute of Astronomy in the UK. After completing her graduate studies in astronomy at the University of Toronto in 1995, she was a postdoctoral fellow with the Department of Astronomy

at the University of California, Berkeley. Dr. Marleau's rising career could have taken her anywhere, she chose to spend the next five years at Saint Mary's University.

"Canadian astronomers have worked hard at getting excellent resources to do observational studies of the Universe and compete with the rest of the world. Saint Mary's is part of that endeavour and is a full participant in using these resources," she says. "I chose Saint Mary's because of its excellent research group and the excellent support and environment for the research program in astronomy."

Dr. Marleau plans to concentrate on a project aimed at studying the morphological properties of galaxies that are available today, called the Hubble Deep Fields. She says, "My plan is to analyze the properties of this unique sample of galaxy images, from very nearby to very distant, in order to reconstruct a scenario for their formation and evolution."

Saint Mary's Hosts CBCM Team Leader

Dr. Huasheng Hong, team leader for the Tier 1 Community Based Conservative Management Project (CBCM), was at Saint Mary's this summer working on developing course and program material for a new Sustainable Development MBA at Xiamen University, in Fujian, China.

Dr. Hong is a team leader of the \$7 million project being funded by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) Saint Mary's University and partner institutions. The program goal is to assist China and Vietnam in the development of expertise in sustainable management of natural resources and ecosystems, and in the conservation of biodiversity through community oriented field training and activities. The five-year



(R-L) Dr. Huasheng Hong, Xiamen University, China, team leader from Xiamen University on the tier 1 CBCM in China and Vietnam project with Katie Orr, Project Manager, International Activities.

program is developing institutional expertise in ecosystem health and conservation management in China and Vietnam.

Dr. Hong's focus at Saint Mary's was curriculum development. "What is most important about this program is education

and awareness." She is interested in creating opportunities for Chinese MBA students to specialize in sustainable development, link natural science with social science and create training opportunities for policy managers in China. "We need linkages

between scientists, policy makers and the public," says Dr. Hong. "I want to interface the environmental science with business... we need to link to the decision makers."

With assistance from Dr. Sanjay Sharma, Marketing, Director of the EMBA program Dr. Hong was able to assess what kinds of courses Xiamen University will need to develop. Dr. Sharma proposed resource people at Saint Mary's for meetings, recommended potential course materials, and provided advice on curriculum development. Other postdoctoral researchers and trainees from Xiamen University will come to Saint Mary's this semester to work with faculty. In November, Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President of Saint Mary's will be visiting Xiamen University.

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ances from his staff that there was never any doubt in their minds about the project. He was told at a monthly staff meeting, "At Saint Mary's we always come through. We always get the job done on time." He says that they were the key to the success of Gerard Hall, "I had a staff that worked independently and creatively to resurrect the building in an efficient and cost effective method." He says that they worked on the building as if their own sons

or daughters were going to be living there.

On August 25, the University hosted a party at Gerard Hall in honour of the accomplishments of the Facilities Management staff. Gabrielle Morrison, Vice-President Administration thanked them on behalf of the students and the University. She has words of high praise for the staff.

"They had a huge task, a tight timeline and a job tremendously well done."

Mathematics and Computing Science Department Hires More Summer Research Students Than Ever Before

This summer, every part-time office space in Saint Mary's Mathematics and Computing Science Department was occupied by summer research students.

Twelve undergraduates and recent Saint Mary's grads, double the number of students who have been hired in the

past, had the opportunity to help faculty conduct cutting edge research ranging from genetic statistical computations to data mining for Sobeys.

"It's one of the advantages that we're able to offer to students. It's normal for us to hire many of the top students from our computing science and

mathematics degree programs for the summer," says Dr. Paul Muir, Chair of the Mathematics and Computing Science Department. "They have one on one experience with professors doing hands on research in a variety of different areas." This is normally something that students would rarely have an opportunity to do

at the undergraduate level.

The benefits of this kind of experience are tremendous according to Dr. Muir. "I've heard from people at graduate schools to which our students have gone that Saint Mary's students are noticeably better prepared for research."

SPORTS

Wrap-Up

Huskies Ranked First in CIAU Football Poll

By Paul Fitzgerald

The season is now underway and the Saint Mary's Huskies football team is already No. 1 in Canada. The CIAU released its first poll, a vote of radio and print media, and the Huskies top the bill.

"This is a real feather in our cap," says Blake Nill, Coach of the Huskies football team. Nill led the Huskies to a 7-1 conference record last year, a win in the AUFC title game over Acadia and a win in the Atlantic Bowl over Waterloo. Saint Mary's then advanced to its first Vanier Cup since 1992.

"Being ranked the best means that we have to go out and work even harder than we did last year," says Nill. "We've got a great team full of young talent, and they are all ready to hit the field and play ball."

At a recent meet-and-greet at the Tower, Nill had the opportunity to put his players and team of assistant coaches under the spotlight. He says his players are all-stars on the field, as well as academic achievers and leaders in the community. A number of players this year are academic scholarship recipients, and his team plans to continue the tradition of introducing youths to the importance of education and sport. Fourth year quarterback Ryan Jones will be counted upon to take the Huskies deep into the post season again in 2000. "I like being in that role where I am the No. 1 guy," says Jones. "And I think I play a lot better when I am in that role. A prime offensive line averaging more than 300 pounds has Karoly Toth at centre surrounded by All-Canadian John Salmas, Jean-Michel Sylvain, Kelly Ireland and sophomore Steven Morley. Tailbacks



Blake Nill, Huskies football coach at a recent pre-season meet and greet.

Luis Perez and Dean Jones have capable help in fullback Erico Hakim, Receivers Jay Currie, Patrick Thibeault, Paul Fleming, Travis Tyler and Cartier Shields. Chris Breckenridge will be the team's kicker.

On defence Veterans Kyle Morrison, Mark Irwin and Doug Borden are joined up front by newcomer Erik Lyman, a 26-year-old Pennsylvania native with football experience from Boston College. "I have a good motor as far as being an intense guy on the field," says Lyman. "As far as leadership, there are guys who have been here a few years, but play dictates leaderships and I believe I can help out." Lyman played at Boston College from 1992 to 1994 and was the No. 2 man on the depth chart behind Detroit Lions draft pick Stephen Boyd. Huskies Linebackers are Joe Barbat, Anthony Brown, Mathieu Demers and Pierre-Paul Huet. Defensive backs are Josh Labucki, Denis Arruda, Philippe Roberge, Steve Marques and Curtis Nash.

We have lost one of our best

His teammates said he always made everyone feel important and was a player who demanded respect because he left everything on the field. James MacPherson, B.Comm '97, died on July 19, 2000 in an aircraft accident. He was only 27 years old.

He played for then head coach, Larry Uteck from 1992-96 and was a remarkable student-athlete and well loved friend. James is the only member of the Huskies football team to rush for more than 300 yards in a single game. He accomplished that in the 1993 AUAA Conference final when he ran the ball 302 yards and scored a pair of touchdowns in an overtime victory. His best season was in 1995 when he racked up 818 rushing yards and five touchdowns. He was named the University's Male Athlete of the Year and won the Block and Tackle Award in the 1996-97 academic year.

James, while shining as one of

the all-time great running backs for the Huskies also played where the team needed him. He was an AUAAU All Star running back in 1994-95-96 and in his final year he also played slotback and defensive back.

He was a well-respected flight instructor employed by the Shearwater Flying School. James received his high school education at the Cobequid Education Centre in Truro where he was Athlete of the Year in 1990, playing basketball and as an all star running back in football. He was an avid sailor, participating in the Charlottetown/Shediac race numerous times and taught sailing at several clubs.

His father Ian, who saw nearly every high school and university game in which James played, described him during his eulogy, as a "gifted athlete, a beloved son and brother and my best friend."

His ashes have been scattered on Shediac Bay where he loved to sail with his friends and family.

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Sports Schedule



Football

Sept. 10	SMU @ MTA (35-17)	2:00 p.m. (X)
Sept. 16	SMU @ SFX (41-7)	2:00 p.m.
Sept. 23	ACA @ SMU	2:00 p.m.
	Kick-off Classic	
Sept. 30	SMU @ SFX	2:00 p.m.
Oct. 7	MTA @ SMU	2:00 p.m.
Oct. 14	SFX @ SMU	2:00 p.m.
	Alumni Weekend	
Oct. 21	SMU @ ACA	2:00 p.m.
Oct. 28	SMU @ MTA	1:00 p.m.
Nov. 4	ACA @ SMU	1:00 p.m.
Nov. 11	AUS Championship	1:00 p.m.
Nov. 18	Atlantic Bowl	12 noon
Dec. 2	Vanier Cup	Skydome, Toronto

Field Hockey

Sept. 8, 9, 10	Toronto Blues Invitational (X)	
Sept. 23	UPEI @ SMU	5:00 p.m.
Sept. 24	UPEI @ SMU	1:00 p.m.
Sept. 29	UNB @ SMU	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 30	UNB @ SMU	1:00 p.m.
Oct. 13	SMU @ UPEI	4:00 p.m.
Oct. 14	SMU @ UPEI	11:00 a.m.
Oct. 20	SMU @ UNB	4:00 p.m.
Oct. 21	SMU @ UNB	12:00 Noon
Oct. 27/28	AUS Championships @SMU	
	Semi Final	12 Noon
	Final	1:00 p.m.
Nov. 2-5	CIAUs @ Univ. of Victoria	

Cross Country

Sept. 16	SFX	12 Noon & 12:45 p.m.
Sept. 30	UNB	12 Noon & 12:45 p.m.
Oct. 14	@ Halifax	12 Noon & 12:45 p.m.
Oct. 28	AUS Championship @ UNB	
Nov. 11	CIAUs @ Toronto	

Men's Hockey

Fri. Sept. 29	DAL vs SMU @ Dal	7:30 p.m. (X)
Sat. Sept. 30	SMU vs ACA @ Acadia	7:30 p.m. (X)
Sun. Oct. 1	SFX vs SMU @ Acadia	2:00 p.m. (X)
Fri. Oct. 6	SMU @ UdeM	7:00 p.m.
Sat. Oct. 7	SMU @ STU	7:00 p.m.
Fri. Oct. 13	SMU @ ACA	7:30 p.m.
Sat. Oct. 14	SFX @ SMU	7:00 p.m.
Fri. Oct. 20	SMU @ SFX	7:30 p.m.
Sat. Oct. 21	ACA @ SMU	7:00 p.m.
Sat. Oct. 23	UPEI @ SMU	7:00 p.m.
Sun. Oct. 29	UNB @ SMU	2:00 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 3	SMU @ UPEI	7:00 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 4	SMU @ UNB	7:00 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 10	STU @ SMU	7:00 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 11	UdeM @ SMU	7:00 p.m.
Tues. Nov. 14	SMU @ DAL	7:00 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 17	ACA @ SMU	7:00 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 24	UND @ SMU	7:00 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 25	UPEI @ SMU	7:00 p.m.
Fri. Dec. 1	DAL @ SMU	7:00 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 3	SMU @ ACA	2:00 p.m.
Fri. Dec. 29	@ Univ. of Alberta (X)	
Sat. Dec. 30	@ Univ. of Alberta (X)	
Fri. Jan. 5	SMU @ UNB	7:00 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 6	SMU @ UPEI	7:00 p.m.
Fri. Jan. 12	UdeM @ SMU	7:00 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 13	STU @ SMU	7:00 p.m.
Fri. Jan. 19	THD Cup Weekend	TBD
Fri. Jan. 26	SMU @ DAL	7:00 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 27	SFX @ SMU	7:00 p.m.
Fri. Feb. 2	SMU @ UdeM	7:00 p.m.
Sat. Feb. 3	SMU @ STU	7:00 p.m.
Fri. Feb. 9	SMU @ SFX	7:30 p.m.
Sat. Feb. 10	DAL @ SMU	7:00 p.m.
Feb. 7-17	Quarterfinals begin	
March 22-25	CIAU @ Kitchener-Waterloo	

Women's Rugby

Sept. 9	SFX @ SMU	TBA
Sept. 16	SMU @ DAL	TBA
Sept. 17	SMU @ WAND	TBA
Sept. 23	SMU @ ACA	TBA
Sept. 29	ACA @ SMU	TBA
Oct. 1	SMU @ SFX	TBA
Oct. 14	SMU @ DAL	TBA
Oct. 21/22	AUS teams determined	
Oct. 28/29	AUS Championship @ East	
Nov. 2-5	CIAUs @ Bishops	
Sept. 9, 16, 17, 29 and October 14	@ Graves Oakley Field, Spryfield.	

Times will be posted on website when they are confirmed.

Women's Hockey

Sun. Oct. 8	@ DAL	8:30 p.m.
Sat. Oct. 14	@ STU	TBA
Sun. Oct. 15	@ UNB	TBA
Wed. Oct. 25	vs ACA	7:00 p.m.
Fri. Oct. 27	@ DAL	3:30 p.m.
Sun. Oct. 29	@ ACA	TBA
Sat. Nov. 4	vs UNB	5:00 p.m.
Sun. Nov. 5	vs SFX	7:00 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 10	UdeM Tournament	
Sat. Nov. 11	UdeM Tournament	
Sun. Nov. 12	UdeM Tournament	
Sat. Nov. 18	vs DAL	5:00 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 25	vs SFX	TBA
Sat. Dec. 2	vs UdeM	5:00 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 3	@ SFX	2:00 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 6	vs STU	5:00 p.m.
Sun. Jan. 7	vs DAL	5:00 p.m.
Fri. Jan. 12	Dalhousie Tournament	
Sat. Jan. 13	Dalhousie Tournament	
Sun. Jan. 14	vs ACA	5:00 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 27	@ SFX	TBA
Sun. Jan. 28	@ ACA	TBA
Sat. Feb. 3	@ UdeM	TBA
Feb. 16-18	AUS Championships	TBA
Feb. 22-25	CIAU Championships @ Calgary	

Women's & Men's Soccer

Wed. Sept. 13	DAL @ SMU	4:00/6:00 p.m.	Sun. Oct. 1	SMU @ ACA	2:00/4:00 p.m.
	Women's - SMU-1, DAL-1		Fri. Oct. 13	SMU @ DAL	4:00/6:00 p.m.
	Men's - SMU-2, DAL-2		Sun. Oct. 15	UPEI @ SMU	100/300 p.m.
Sat. Sept. 16	SMU @ UdeM	2:00/4:00 p.m.	Wed. Oct. 18	MTA @ SMU	6:00/8:00 p.m.
	Women's - SMU-1, UdeM-1		Sun. Oct. 22	ACA @ SMU	300/500 p.m.
	Men's - SMU-6, UdeM-0		Sat. Oct. 28	SMU @ MUN	12/2:00 p.m.
Sun. Sept 17	SMU @ UNB	1:00/3:00 p.m.	Sun. Oct. 29	SMU @ MUN	12/2:00 p.m.
	Women's - SMU-2, UNB-0		Nov. 3, 4, 5	Women's AUS Championship	
	Men's - SMU-5, UNB-0		Nov. 3, 4, 5	Men's AUS Championship	
Sat. Sept 23	SMU @ SFX	1:00/3:00 p.m.	Nov. 9-12	Women's CIAUs @ Acadia University	
Fri. Sept. 29	SMU @ UCCB	2:00/4:00 p.m.	Nov. 9-12	Men's CIAU @ McMaster	
Sat. Sept. 30	SFX @ SMU	4:00/6:00 p.m.			

See more schedules in the October edition of The Times.

Students Find Accommodations With the Help of The Off Campus Housing Office



Saint Mary's students used the Off Campus Housing Office, the interactive website, maps and other resources to locate accommodations.

In January 2000, the Off Campus Housing Office (OCHO) was established as a temporary service to help students find off campus accommodations during Saint Mary's Renovations and Renewal Project. The office exceeded expectations. The staff are receiving accolades from students and landlords for creating a service that not only successfully helped students find

accommodations for the academic year but provided an interactive website, detailed listings, and educational workshops and materials.

Seana Dunphy, OCHO coordinator, started organizing the office in December. "The response to the OCHO has been very positive. Students have been able to find apartments from their hometowns by using the web site." Dunphy says

that the website had hits from 26 different countries. There were over 11649 hits from March 28, to August 30, 2000.

The OCHO listed 1100 apartments and rooms. Landlords reported that they were able to fill their vacancies sooner than ever before. "One of the benefits of having a full time office is that you can effectively manage the database and keep it as up to date as possible," says Dunphy.

The OCHO contacted property owners and landlords through meetings, posting, newspaper, pamphlets and posters. As a result, close to 100 property owners listed either apartments or rooms in private homes with Saint Mary's. Students also used the service to list sublets and search for roommates.

The OCHO delivered workshops on living off campus to prepare students who were moving out of residence. "Students who were living in residence were able to find a place because we encouraged them to look early through posters and workshops," says Dunphy. The office also provided onsite resources, city maps, bus schedules, tenant – landlord information and hints about how to look for an apartment. "They were able to use the web site to check listings that traditionally are not posted until much later." The Off Campus Housing Office will be closed at the end of September.

SMUSA – Larry Uteck Scholarship

Andrea Shakespeare is the first recipient of the SMUSA – Larry Uteck Scholarship. Shakespeare, a graduate of Queen Elizabeth High School, is an outstanding student and athlete excelling in volleyball, tennis and squash. She will play for the Varsity Women's Volleyball team in the upcoming academic year.



The Hokkaido Musashi Junior Women's College



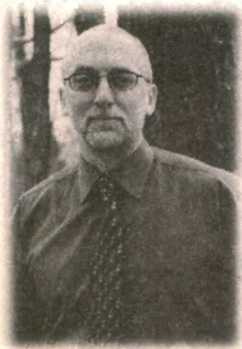
The Hokkaido Musashi Junior Women's College sent a group of 32 participants to attend the English Language and Culture Program – July 31st to August 18th. The stu-

dents attended English classes and participated in cultural activities such as learning to dance traditional Cape Breton Tap at Halifax Dance.

**Paying Too Much Tuition?
Facing Daunting Student Loans?
Want More Books In The Library?
Part-Time Work Competing With Your Studies?
Have Friends Who Decided They Couldn't
Afford University?**

A major national postcard campaign is underway to lobby Prime Minister Chretien to restore core funding to Canadian universities. Postcards are available at several locations across the campus – the Sobey information desk, the library information desk, Luigi's Barber Shop – and through SMUSA, the Commerce Society and your instructors. You don't even have to pay for the stamp. Drop boxes have been set up in the Student Centre, the McNally Information Desk, the library and Luigi's. If you're worried about post-secondary education, sign a postcard and take several home to concerned friends and relatives. Remember, to create the future you want, you have to participate. The postcard campaign is sponsored by CAUT, the Canadian Association of University Teachers.

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Our faculty, known for their excellence in teaching and research, are at the heart of what makes Saint Mary's a quality university.

Dr. Eric Lee, professor of Finance & Management, exemplifies the calibre of faculty at Saint Mary's. He is this year's recipient of The Reverend William A. Stewart, S.J., Medal for Excellence in Teaching. He was also awarded the Full-Time Undergraduate Professor of the Year, Frank H. Sobey Faculty of Commerce, Atlantic Canada's Leading Business School.

Dr. Lee brings great energy and enthusiasm to his classroom, where he teaches statistics and research methods. A nominating student described Dr. Lee's commitment best: "He should be recognized for the difference he has made in my life and the lives of countless other Saint Mary's University students."

These awards attest to Dr. Lee's dedication to his students, and reflect the high quality of a Saint Mary's University education.



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Association of Atlantic Universities 5th Annual Teaching Showcase

**Saint Mary's University
October 28, 2000**

Saint Mary's faculty are invited to join colleagues from other Atlantic universities for an exciting day of presentations, demonstrations and discussions on many aspects of teaching and learning. There are over 45 presentations scheduled by faculty from universities in the Atlantic region representing a variety of disciplines and covering a wide range of topics.

For presenters and participants, the AAU Teaching Showcase provides an opportunity to share and discuss 'good practice' with colleagues from across the region.

The Showcase schedule of events and program abstracts are available on the AAU web site HYPERLINK <http://www.dal.ca/~aau> <http://www.dal.ca/~aau> or from links on the Office of Instructional Development web site at HYPERLINK <http://www.stmarys.ca/administration/oid> www.stmarys.ca/administration/oid.

View the interesting array of topics and presenters (ten are your Saint Mary's colleagues), then register for the Showcase. The registration form is also available from the Office of Instructional Development web site.

Please note, Saint Mary's faculty do not have to pay the registration fee, however for planning and catering purposes, you must submit a registration form.



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In the News...

Breakfast Television made two visits to Saint Mary's. Camp leaders and participants taking part in the Mini University were interviewed earlier in the summer. *BTV* broadcasted its program from campus on the first day of frosh week and interviewed students and university president, **Dr. J. Colin Dodds**.

Chuck Bridges, Director of External Affairs, was interviewed by *The Daily News* about how the Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union's (CIAU) decision to boost the limit for athletic awards could affect universities like Saint Mary's ability to attract top student athletes.

Dr. J. Colin Dodds' official beginning of his term as President of Saint Mary's was covered in an article in *The Chronicle Herald*.

Seana Dunphy, Off Campus Housing Coordinator, appeared on CBC Radio, *The Chronicle Herald*, and *The Daily News* about the University's Residence Renovation Project and the overall situation of student housing in metro.

Paul Fitzgerald, Public Affairs, appeared in *The Chronicle Herald* and King's College's newspaper, *The Transcript* about the success of the University's Residence Renovation Project.

Saint Mary's Art Gallery Director, **Gordon Laurin** was mentioned in an article in *The Globe and Mail* about the Halifax Exhibition of International Contemporary Art (HX).

Lisa MacDonald, coach of the women's hockey team was interviewed by *BTV* about the women's hockey camp at the University.

Joe Murphy, Irish Studies, was interviewed on SBS Radio in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia about the Gaelic events in Nova Scotia this summer. He also spoke with *BBC Air a' Ghaidhealtachd* (BBC Scottish Gaelic service) in Stornoway, Isle of Lewis, Scotland about some proposed changes to the teaching of Canadian history in high schools in the Maritimes and Nova Scotia's "No Scents Makes Good Sense" policies.

Blake Nill, Head Coach of the Huskies Football Team, was featured in *The Daily News* about the strength of his 2000/01 team.

Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon's retirement after 21 years as President of Saint Mary's was reported in feature stories in *The Chronicle Herald* and *The Daily News*. *Global Television*, *ATV News*, *CJCH AM*, *First Edition* and *ATV Live at Five* also reported his retirement. Dr. Ozmon, OC, President Emeritus, has also received coverage on *ATV*, *Global*, *CBC Radio*, *The Halifax Herald*, and *The Daily News* since his announcement that he was going to run for Mayor of HRM in the upcoming October 21 Municipal Election.

Dr. Leonard Preyra, Political Science, was interviewed on *CBC Radio's Information Morning* in Halifax and Sydney about the NDP election and the impact of the party's new leader, Helen MacDonald. Dr. Preyra was also interviewed on *CBC's First Edition*. He commented on Prime Minister Chretien's announcement that \$750 million dollars will be spent in the region on *Global Television*. Dr. Preyra's comments about the Canadian Alliance Party leadership were picked up by radio broadcasts across the region. He was also interviewed by *CBC Radio*, *ATV*, *Global*, *The Halifax Herald*, *The Daily News* about the Canadian Alliance running in the Kings-Hants bi-election.

Ross Quakenbush, men's basketball coach, commented on the CIAU decision to more than double the money available to individual student athletes on *Maritimes Tonight* and *First Edition*. **Jill Jeffrey**, sports coordinator and coach of the women's basketball team, was also interviewed about the CIAU decision by *ATV Evening News*.

Karen Reedman, Benefits Officer, Human Resources, was interviewed by *The Canadian Human Resources Reporter* about full-time employees at Saint Mary's receiving tuition discounts.

Dr. Sanjay Sharma, Marketing, Director of the EMBA Program, was interviewed in *The Canadian Human Resources Reporter*, about how the University's Master of Business Administration (MBA) program and Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA) program are making changes to meet the needs of the business world.

Scholarly & Professional Development

Library

Madeleine Lefebvre, participated in a formal debate, "By the year 2110, paper books will only be purchased by academic libraries for archival collections" at the Canadian Library Association's 2000 Conference. Her article "E-Content: Are Librarians Being Overtaken on the Information Highway?" was recently published in *Library Hi Tech News*.

Office of Instructional Development

Margaret-Anne Bennett, Director, Office of Instructional Development has been elected to a two-year term as Nova Scotia's representative on the national steering committee of the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (STLHE).

Marketing

Dr. Sanjay Sharma, Director of the EMBA program, was the chair of the professional development workshops (preconference activities) for the Organizations and the Natural Environment Division at the Academy of Management Annual Meetings in Toronto in August. In addition to administrative and organizing responsibilities at the Academy of Management meetings, Dr. Sharma presented two research papers at two workshops entitled, "Different Strokes: Differences in Regulatory Styles and Environmental Strategy in the Canadian and U.S. Oil Energy Sectors" and "Sustainability Strategies in the Canadian Forest Products Industry: an Exploration."

He has been elected Program Chair for the main program for one division of the Academy of Management Annual Meetings in Washington D.C. in August 2001. Dr. Sharma has also been elected to the All Academy Taskforce on the Greening of the Academy for 2000-2003. He made presentations in the *Junior Faculty and Doctoral Students Consortium* and *The Academy of Management Journal Special Research Forum on the Management of Organizations in the Natural Environment*.

Dr. Sharma's article "Managerial Interpretations and Organizational Context as Predictors of Corporate Environmental Strategy" was published in the August 2000 issue of *The Academy of Management Journal*. *The Academy of Management Journal* is considered the best journal for empirical research in management.

Management

Dr. Cathy Driscoll, attended the Academy of Management's annual meeting in Toronto. She presented two papers, "Environmental Performance and Multistakeholder Process Participation: The Case of the Canadian Forest Products Industry" (co-authored with L. Patriquin) and "Time to Rethink Legitimacy Management and the Qualified Good Neighbor: The Case of Nova Nada and JDI". She also coordinated and chaired a panel session entitled, "A New Time - Is there enough time - for organizations and the natural environment?"

Astronomy and Physics

Dr. William Lonc, Emeritus Professor of Physics in the Astronomy and Physics Department, recently published a paper entitled "Magnetic Deflection Demonstrator", co-authored with Mario Capitulo of Bellarmine Prep. High School in San Jose, California, in a recent issue of *The Physics Teacher*. In August, he attended the summer meeting of the American Association of Physics Teachers, held at the University of Guelph, and gave a paper entitled "Undergraduate Observational Projects in Radio Astronomy". He also published a translation of Lucien Campeau's "Jesuit Mission Among the Hurons". The translation had been started by the late Father George Topp, who taught at Saint Mary's.

Dr. David Turner, attended the General Assembly of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada (RASC) over the July 1st weekend to present a paper on "Observational Astronomy without a Telescope." He also used the occasion to step down formally as editor of the *Journal of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada* (JRASC), Canada's only research periodical in astronomy and astrophysics. The RASC used the event to make a formal presentation of a plaque to Dr. Turner in recog-

ognition of his six and half years of service to the Society. Mounted on the plaque, in addition to a formal thank you from the Society, were copies of the RASC crest along with cover pages from the first and last issues of the *Journal* edited by Dr. Turner.

Dr. Turner has been awarded a small research grant from the American Astronomical Society for a project entitled "Archival Information on Cepheid Period Changes." The award, for US\$5000, will be used by Dr. Turner and his Russian collaborator Leonid Berdnikov (Sternberg Astronomical Institute, Moscow) to access the Harvard College Observatory photographic plate collection in search of archival information from the past century for period variations in a sample of pulsating cepheid variables located in our Milky Way Galaxy.

Public Affairs

Lisa Legatto and **Colin Sutton**, Public Affairs Officers, and **Pat Bishara**, Information Officer attended The Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education's 2000 Summer Institute for Newcomers to Advancement. The conference was held at the University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario.

Chemistry

Dr. Cory Pye, Chemistry presented a paper on "First Time Teaching - One Professor's Experience" and Dr. John Young, Chemistry, presented a paper on "Our Computer-Mediated First Year General Chemistry Laboratory Program - A Work in Progress" at the annual meeting of the Chemistry Institute of Canada (Atlantic Division).

Finance and Management Science

Dr. Harvey Millar presented 5 papers this summer, 4 of which were refereed and published in the proceedings of the respective conference. "A Simulation Study of a Multi-period Fish Procurement Problem with Random Demands and Random Supply Yields" was presented at the proceedings of the Third Annual North American Research Symposium on Purchasing and Supply Chain Management, in London, Ontario, May, 2000. "Simulation of One Versus Two Suppliers in Raw Fish Procurement Under Demand and Supply Yield Uncertainty" was presented at the proceedings of The Food Simulation Symposium in Nantes, France, June, 2000.

"A Computational Study of Three Formulations for the Batch Sizing Problem in Production/Supply Inventory Decisions" was presented at the proceedings of the Annual ASAC Conference in Montreal, Quebec, July, 2000.

"An Alternate Formulation and Lagrangian Relaxation Heuristic for the Traveling Salesman Problem" was presented at the proceedings of the Annual ASAC Conference in Montreal, Quebec, July, 2000. "The Anatomy of Value and its Impact on Employee Performance" was presented at the Annual Caribbean Management Development Association Meeting, in St. Lucia, June, 2000. In August, Dr. Millar launched a national internet-based survey, to study outsourcing practices in Canadian organizations. The research is being funded by the Canadian Purchasing Research Foundation (CPRF).

Continuing Education

Wendy C. Fletcher, program development coordinator for the Department of Continuing Education published, "Certified Information Technology Sales Consultant Program" in the *Canadian Association For University Continuing Education's Yearbook of Exemplary Practice 2000*.

Student Scholarly Achievement

Nick Warner, a Saint Mary's B.Sc. double honours student in Chemistry and Environmental Studies won first prize as "Best Poster" overall at the 2000 Atlantic Student Chemistry Conference held at UNB, Fredericton, NB. The poster entitled, "Chemical Characteristics of Airborne Particulate Matter" describes the University's recent progress in understanding the distribution of metal pollutants like lead in airborne particulate matter. Warner worked with Verna MacKinnon, a student at St. Francis Xavier University.

Saint Mary's Students Around the World...

Hameon Down Under



(L-R) Ivan Hameon, Saint Mary's fourth year student, with Australian graduate research students at Deakin University. Also pictured is Dr. Rob Singer, Chemistry Saint Mary's, (second from right) and Dr. Peter Scammells, (third from right) the project supervisor who worked with Dr. Singer and Hameon.

By Lisa Legatto

Fourth year honours chemistry student, Ivan Hameon wanted to work

with Dr. Rob Singer, Chemistry during his honours year. He was so interested that last fall, he followed his supervisor all the way to Australia.

Dr. Singer was leaving for a six month sabbatical at Deakin University in Geelong, 70 km southwest of Melbourne. One day in the lab, he suggested the possibility that Hameon could work with him in Australia. "It was a carrot that I held out in front of him so he would work hard and he did."

Not only would this be an opportunity to complete his honours thesis with the supervisor of his choice and visit Australia but Hameon would also be contributing to a collaborative research project with Dr. Peter Scammells and Dr. Singer. The work involved synthesizing analogs of adenosine agonists that can be used as therapeutic aids for fast heart rates and high blood pressure. Dr. Singer says, "Ivan was using some of the methodologies that we are developing here at Saint Mary's in our labs into the synthesis of these potential pharmaceuticals"

"The work was challenging in a lot of respects," says Hameon. "I was trying to get more done than a normal honours student would

because I wanted to take advantage of the opportunities there." Hameon was the first Saint Mary's student to complete his honours research under such unique circumstances.

Dr. J. Colin Dodds then, Vice-President Academic and Research now President of Saint Mary's University and Dr. David Richardson, Dean of Science ensured that there was funding with the assistance of the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) and Senate Research. "As a lot of us around here know, Saint Mary's likes to promote students in any way they can and whenever they can," says Dr. Singer. "Getting the funding from the various people was no problem at all."

For the sake of convenience, Hameon lived in a nine bedroom house with the Singer family and a number of other students. Hameon says of the living arrangement, "It was good motivationally. We didn't talk chemistry at home but we did discuss how great the project was

and where it could lead." "It was a learning experience for me too," says Dr. Singer. "Especially when I had my family there." The household spent Christmas together and took advantage of a number of tourist destinations.

Dr. Singer says that he is proud of the work Hameon did in Australia. The two are still working together as Hameon completes four final credits. After he finishes his honours he plans obtain an NSERC and continue graduate research.

The Department of Chemistry at Saint Mary's University has been granted Full Accreditation for its Major in Chemistry and for its Honours in Chemistry degree programs by the Canadian Society for Chemistry. The Society is a national organization that grants accreditation to departments that meet a number of minimum criteria. The accreditation, which is valid for the next five years, will bring national and international recognition to the department.

CIDA Awards \$20,000 to Saint Mary's Students

Paul Fitzgerald

Two Saint Mary's University graduate students have accepted highly competitive Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) awards to support thesis-related field research. Since the inception of the IDS graduate program, Saint Mary's students have done very well in garnering more than the program's anticipated share of the CIDA awards. This year, four students in the department were offered CIDA grants. Two students, conducted international research this summer after accepting the grant.

Holly Melanson, a student in the Master of International Development Studies (IDS) program, received a \$10,000 grant to examine the types of programs non-governmental organizations (NGO) employ along the Thailand-Burma border. During the summer, Melanson started living in a camp in Northern Thailand with 8,000 Burmese refugees. Almost 120,000 refugees live in the area, just a few miles from the border. To get in and out of the camp to conduct research, she had to cross a maze of paddy fields to avoid

the Thai Military checkpoint.

She says that ethnic minorities from Burma experienced forced relocation and labour. Students were taken out of school at the orders of the military to build roads. Civilians, including children, were forced to carry bullets for the army with no pay and minimal food for months at a time.

"Any attempt to escape entailed running through mined areas of jungle," she says. While she was there a village was attacked and burned to the ground by Burmese troops. The continuing occurrences of systematic atrocities have resulted in a continuing flow of refugees into Thailand. The first influx occurred in 1988 with the bloody crackdown on the democracy movement and continues today.

Melanson's days have been spent conducting interviews with camp leaders, NGO workers, and refugee trainees. She has also taken part in training workshops organized by various NGOs, and attended planning meetings by refugee-run NGOs. "Conducting this research taught me a great deal about the situation in this country," she says. "I felt a strong sense

of responsibility to conduct quality research that will be useful to others involved in this struggle and those attempting to help them deal with it."

Trina Lasch, a student in the Master of International Development Studies (IDS) program, received \$10,000 to conduct research in Nepal. Over the next five months she will work in the Ilam District of Eastern Nepal, just across the border from Darjeeling, India. "The Nepal Community Development

Centre, an organization devoted to community development, asked me to assist them in creating a gender policy for their development projects and programs," she says. "I will also be devising a specific strategy for increasing gender equality in a major environmental planning project." She will walk anywhere from two to six hours a day to conduct interviews with members of NGOs and those living within the area. "This is an opportunity of a

lifetime," she says. "This work will be extremely beneficial and interesting."

Marian Pelletier was offered a CIDA grant to examine "Self-help Groups and Women's Empowerment: the Kenyan Experience" and Darcy Tetreault, who also won an Organization of American States award was offered a grant by CIDA for his research on "Building Sustainable Communities in Mexico".

Glasgow Exchange Leads Saint Mary's Student to Graduate Scholarship

Karly Kehoe says that taking part in the Saint Mary's University of Glasgow exchange changed the path of her life. This fall, Kehoe will return to Glasgow, this time to complete an M.Phil in History with a \$10,000 scholarship awarded by the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and principals of the United Kingdom Universities.

Kehoe spent the fall term in Glasgow in 1998 the first year of the exchange program organized by Dr. Michael Vance, a professor in Saint Mary's History Department. She says of the experience, "It gave me opportunities that I didn't even know existed."

The exchange program developed out of Dr. Vance's research interest in Scottish history. He and Professor Ted Cowan of Glasgow's Scottish History Department came up with the idea to create a single semester exchange program involving undergraduate arts students. The program has remained small, it is limited to four students per year. Seven Saint Mary's students have studied at Glasgow and the University has hosted one graduate and one undergraduate Glasgow student so far. The students involved pay Saint Mary's tuition. Although, the program is on hiatus this year, it will be expanded in 2001 to include faculty exchanges. This spring, Dr. Anthony Farrell, Modern Languages and Classics will be a visiting professor in Glasgow's



Recent Saint Mary's graduate, Karly Kehoe, will be attending the University of Glasgow in Scotland to begin her graduate studies with the help of a \$10,000 scholarship. Kehoe is pictured at MacDougall Castle during her exchange semester in Scotland in 1998.

Spanish Department.

Dr. Vance says that Kehoe's scholarship, "reflects a significant scholarly accomplishment." Kehoe will be studying Catholic immigrant women in Glasgow. "I was always the one looking in on their history and this allowed me to visit new perspectives and look at their history through their interpretations."

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Clare Biddulph (L) with Dr. John Chamard, MBA Professor of the Year.

Our faculty, known for their excellence in teaching and research, are at the heart of what makes Saint Mary's a quality university.

Dr. John Chamard, Chairperson of the Management Department, exemplifies the calibre of faculty at Saint Mary's. MBA students honoured him with the 2000 MBA Professor of the Year Award.

Clare Biddulph, an MBA 2000 graduate, and winner of the CIBC-Ivey MBA National Business Plan Competition, says "Dr. Chamard taught me how to achieve my business goals, and to ignore those who say it can't be done."

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to his students, and reflects the high quality of a Saint Mary's University education.

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Around Campus

Saint Mary's First PhD Candidates



The first candidates enrolled in Saint Mary's PhD program in Business Administration – Management began their studies this summer. It is the first business doctoral program to be offered in Atlantic Canada. (L-R) Dov Bercovici, Elizabeth Kelly, Gina Grandy, Dr. Albert Mills, Management, Jules Fauteux and Caroline O'Connell.

Faculty Women's Association



The faculty women's association presented Dr. Dodds with a silver tea service that originally belonged to the Saint Mary's Women's Auxiliary at a luncheon in August. The service will be used in the President's dining room. Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President of Saint

Mary's, (L-R) is pictured with the original members including Mrs. Carol Dodds, Margo Marshall, Ann MacCormack, Krishna Murty, Nancy Weeren, Catherine Dalton and Margo Sabean.

International Students' Orientation



Saint Mary's new international students gathered for a group photo during their orientation week.

Saint Mary's Opens Centre for New Students



(L-R) Greg Ferguson, Director of Admissions, Adam Dennis, first year Saint Mary's student, Amy Smith and Heather Maxwell, Admissions.

Saint Mary's has opened a Centre for New Students. The Centre, located in the Admissions Office will assist first year students with course scheduling, provide an essential link for new and prospective students to Saint Mary's administrative programs and facilities, provide helpful suggestions, referrals and information.

"The Centre for New Students demonstrates the University's commitment in meeting the needs of students," says Greg Ferguson, Director of Admissions. "University is a big step in life for many graduating from high school and we want to ensure that new students are provided with the best service."

Coordinator of Irish Studies Guest on Irish Tall Ship



Dr. Cyril Byrne (l), Coordinator of the D'Arcy McGee Chair of Irish Studies at Saint Mary's University chats with Dr. Barra O'Meara (r), Ship's Surgeon of the Asgard II Tall Ship.

Dr. Cyril Byrne, Coordinator, D'Arcy McGee Chair of Irish Studies, was a special guest aboard the Asgard II Tall Ship from Ireland during the Tall Ships Festival in Halifax. The Asgard II completed the Boston-Halifax leg of the international race in the fastest time. While onboard, Dr. Byrne presented copies of the publications of the Chair of Irish Studies,

Poor Ignorant Children by Saint Mary's historian Peter Murphy and *The Proceedings of the 2nd North American Congress of Celtic Studies* to Dr. Barra O'Meara, and Captains Tom McCarthy and Michael Coleman. Dr. Byrne was presented with a book about Asgard II and the history of Irish sailing which he has donated to the Patrick Power Library.

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From July 12th to July 26th Saint Mary's hosted a University Transition Program for Students from Nunavut. The program provides the students with an opportunity to attend university level classes on a wide variety of topics and become familiarized with university life and acquainted with Halifax. The Honorable Peter Irniq, Commissioner of Nunavut attended the Farewell Luncheon and congratulated the par-

ticipants on completing the program. In attendance at the luncheon were (L-R) Wayne Adams, Bob Moody, Deputy Minister of Education, Nunavut, Margaret Macpherson, Brad Johnson, TESL, Bob Moody, Deputy Minister of Education, Nunavut, Pat Fitzgerald, Management, Chris Fletcher, Gorsebrook Research Institute.