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McNally Building: First snowfall of the season on Dec. 3, 2007 (kelly clark photography)

The Government of Canada Invests \$2 M in New Facility for Saint Mary's University



Left to right: Paul J. Dyer, Chair, Saint Mary's University Board of Governors; Paul Sobey, President and CEO of Empire Company Limited and Chair of the Hearts & Minds Capital Campaign; Mitch Gillingwater, President, Saint Mary's University Students' Association; The Honourable Peter G. MacKay, Minister of National Defence and Minister of the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA); and Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President, Saint Mary's.

The Government of Canada has announced funding for a new Atrium and Global Learning Commons at Saint Mary's University. At a special event on November 30, 2007, The Honourable Peter G. MacKay, Minister of National Defence and Minister of the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA), announced that ACOA will invest \$2 million in a new state-of-the-art facility for students, faculty, researchers, and policy developers. Additional funding is being raised by the University's *Hearts & Minds* Fund.

"Canada's Government is getting things done for Atlantic Canada's post-secondary learning community," said Minister MacKay. "Our investment in this facility will encourage greater collaboration between members of the academic and community development worlds, ultimately resulting in greater integration of efforts and helping to build a better sustainable future."

The Atrium and Global Learning Commons will be a place of academic study in a high-tech setting featuring wireless IT infrastructure, computer labs, and a video conference facility. It will also be the new home of several of the University's partners in economic development, including the Ocean Management Research Network, the Atlantic Metropolis Centre, and the Industry Liaison Office.

Housing these organizations together will allow the University to take on a more efficient and coordinated approach to its work with rural partners in economic development.

The building will also showcase some groundbreaking new architectural features including a "green roof" which will incorporate a greenhouse and demonstration and research areas. It will also feature a "bio wall" which will work as a natural air filter, cleaning air naturally without the use of artificial chemicals.

"We are looking forward to breaking ground on this exciting project," said Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President, Saint Mary's. "We are proud to be leading the charge in bringing new technology and new ideas to Atlantic Canada."

Paul Sobey, President and CEO of Empire Company Limited and Chair of the University's *Hearts & Minds* Capital Campaign, also spoke at the event. Paul J. Dyer, Chair of the Saint Mary's Board of Governors, and Mitch Gillingwater, President of the *Saint Mary's University Students' Association* (SMUSA) were also in attendance.

ACOA's support for this project was provided through the Innovative Communities Fund, a five-year \$175 million initiative to support economic development throughout Atlantic Canada in critical areas such as innovation, community development, training and improving the climate for business growth.

Seasons Greetings from the President

Dear Neighbours, Friends, Alumni, and Fellow Santamarians,

The holiday season is an opportune time for reflection on the events of the past year and the promise of the year ahead. Looking back at the achievements of the past twelve months, it is clear that 2007 has been an especially strong year for our University community. Together, we have celebrated many successes including an unforgettable performance by our football Huskies culminating in a Uteck Bowl championship and a trip to the Vanier Cup.

We have also made tremendous strides in our commitment to social health, wellness and support – most notably, thanks to the generosity of Dr. Richard Homburg who made an unprecedented gift to our *Hearts & Minds* Capital Campaign in September. The single largest donation in Saint Mary's 205-year history, Dr. Homburg's gift will support the Homburg Centre for Health and Wellness, a state-of-the-art facility which will consist of The Tower, a new Dauphinee Arena and a high performance training link connecting the two.

We have seen tremendous progress in our \$25.5 million *Science Building Renewal Project* which will be fully complete in 2008, and have also gained Board approval for a *Campus Master Plan* which involved an extensive consultative process. Both a vision and a planning tool, the Master Plan will help shape the physical evolution and development of our campus for the next 30 years while ensuring that the University continues to respond to change in a considered and positive way.

Among other successes, we distinguished ourselves as one of the few universities in Atlantic Canada to counter the trend of declining enrolments. Indeed, for the 2007-2008 academic year, we have seen a 5% increase in full-time, first-year student enrolment as well as a nearly 8% increase in international enrolments. Part of this success can be attributed to the launch of our innovative media-sharing site "SMUtube." If you haven't already done so, I encourage you to visit www.smutube.ca to see how Saint Mary's is leading the way in using new media as a communication and recruitment tool.

Finally, as always, our students have continued to serve as our preeminent ambassadors, earning national and international recognition across all disciplines. Thanks to all of our students, faculty, staff, alumni, friends and supporters who have helped elevate Saint Mary's to new heights in 2007.

On behalf of myself, my wife, Carol, and our children, James and Elizabeth, I wish each of you and your loved ones the very best of the season and the New Year.

Sincerely,

J. Colin Dodds
President

Saint Mary's Astronomer Wins Science Champion Award from Discovery Centre



David Lane (right), Astronomy Technician and High-Performance Computing Systems Administrator, accepts the 2007 Science Champion Award from Dr. Peter Gregson, Chair, Discovery Awards Gala Committee.

David Lane is a star. The Saint Mary's University Astronomy Technician and High-Performance Computing Systems Administrator is the recipient of the 2007 Science Champion Award. The award, which recognizes exceptional teaching and communication abilities in science and technology, is presented annually by the Discovery Centre, a not-for-profit charitable organization whose mission is to stimulate interest, enjoyment and understanding of science and technology through innovative, exciting, hands-on experiences for all Nova Scotians.

Lane was presented with the award at the 5th Annual Discovery Awards for Science and Technology gala. The event celebrates dedicated individuals from the fields of science and technology whose locally, nationally and internationally recognized work is being carried out in Nova Scotia. This year's gala, which brought together industry experts, students, educational leaders and policy makers, was held in downtown Halifax on November 29, 2007. Dr. Georgia Pe-Piper, Professor of Geology, was also nominated for the prestigious Professional Distinction Award. This marks the third consecutive year for which Pe-Piper has been nominated.

"I'm very honoured to be recognized by the Discovery Centre for my astronomy outreach work," said Lane. "When I joined Saint Mary's 15 years ago, I just continued a long tradition at the University by becoming the 'face of astronomy' in Nova Scotia that was started by Father Burke-Gaffney in the 1950s." Indeed, Lane is well-known for his expertise, with local, national and international media outlets regularly calling upon him for astronomy-related news reports and features.

"Astronomy outreach is inherently easy to do," said Lane. He explained, "Most people, especially children, already have a keen interest in the subject. There is nothing more fun than showing someone Saturn or the craters of the moon for the first time through a telescope. It is especially hard sometimes to pry a kid away from the eyepiece when their turn is up."

Dov Bercovici, President and Chief Executive Officer, Discovery Centre, stated, "It is very important to our future generations to know that innovations in science and technology are being researched and developed right here at home. Investing in youth and science is important to the provincial economy – we want young people to know they can excel in science and stay in Nova Scotia."

Since joining Saint Mary's, Lane has been bringing the excitement of astronomy to thousands of school children and community members throughout the Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM). For the past 15 years, he has consistently dedicated 1/2 day per week – accounting for 200-300 hours per year – to community outreach. Among other activities, Lane's outreach efforts include visits to K-12 classrooms and group tours at the Burke Gaffney Observatory (BGO). In fact, it is largely thanks to Lane that Saint Mary's has been able to offer its free Saturday evening observatory tours to the public for the past many years.

Lane's enthusiasm for his subject matter is evidenced by his eagerness to promote and explain astronomical events to the public. From eclipses to meteor showers, Lane embraces any opportunity to make astronomy accessible to the community. One such opportunity occurred during the complete solar eclipse of 1994 when he coordinated a public gathering of more than 1,000 people on the front lawn of Saint Mary's to take in the rare spectacle. A co-discoverer of several supernovas, Lane's leading work on supernova search and discovery was similarly communicated to the public via a June 2006 episode of "Maritime Magazine" which aired on CBC TV.

In addition to his extensive work with students, media, and the general public, Lane has spent many years as a leader in the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada (RASC) and is a founding board member of the Atlantic Space Sciences Foundation. As a science technology professional, Lane has expanded his position as an Astronomy Technician at Saint Mary's to become one of the leading high-performance computing technicians in the region. He has been the Astronomy and Physics network administrator at Saint Mary's since 1993 and, more recently, was one of the founding technical architects of the ACEnet project, Atlantic Canada's high-performance "grid computing" project which connects "nodes" across Atlantic Canada. All the while, Lane has been instrumental to the success of the Burke-Gaffney Observatory, using his vast knowledge of astronomy to ensure that it remains a modern, relevant science destination-of-choice for both Nova Scotians and visitors.

FACULTY OF ARTS HOLDS FALL COLLOQUIUM "Ecology Across the Disciplines"

Submitted by Dr. Renee Hulan
Associate Dean (Research), Faculty of Arts

The Faculty of Arts held its Faculty Colloquium on November 15, 2007. The colloquium began with Professor of English and award-winning poet, Dr. Brian Bartlett, reading a report written for Nova Scotia Birds. Dr. Bartlett commented on the way that genre shapes literary expression before reading the *haiku* sequence, "Brier Island, Spring Weekend." Dr. Bartlett explained that, because *haiku* are three-line poems with a limited syllable-count, they are thought to have a highly condensed, precise form. Yet, they are sometimes written in long sequences that develop larger ideas, such as the poet's eye transforming the birders' scientific purpose in this *haiku* by Dr. Bartlett:

4 bobolinks, 8 goldfinches
jotted down – but I find
more than the sum.

Dr. Cathy Conrad, Associate Professor in Geography, discussed "Linking Community-Based Environmental Monitoring to Decision-Making" using examples from her work in Atlantic Canada. Dr. Conrad conducts research in the fields of fluvial geomorphology, natural hazards, community-based environmental monitoring and watershed management, and has been actively involved in projects in Canada and around the world through CIDA. Dr. Conrad spoke about her experiences as founder and Research Director of the community-based *Environmental Monitoring Network* in Atlantic Canada and described several examples of community-based conservation management projects.

In her research, Dr. Anne Marie Dalton, Associate Professor in Religious Studies, examines the interconnections between religion, science, environment, women, and international development. Having participated in a number of overseas projects dealing with environmental and gender issues in China, Vietnam and, at present, in Mongolia, Dr. Dalton brings a broad, comparative perspective to the subject. In her presentation, "Ecology in the Social Imagination: The Role of Religion," Dr. Dalton discussed research conducted for her new book, which is soon to be completed, entitled *Ecology and the Practice of Hope* (in the Religion and Ecology series published by State University of New York Press). It follows her earlier book, *A Theology for the Earth* (University of Ottawa Press, 1999). In her recent work, Dr. Dalton shows how environmental awareness is both deconstructing the hierarchy of humans and nature in most world religions and reshaping the very idea of what it is to be human.

In her presentation, "Crossing Avon: Ecosystem Response to Human Disturbance," Dr. Danika van Proosdij, Associate Professor in Geography, described the results of her research on the impact of human activity on the geomorphology of the Avon River in Nova Scotia and the Petitecodiac River in New Brunswick. Dr. van Proosdij studied "the spatial and temporal variability in intertidal morphodynamics of the Avon River Estuary in order to assess the resilience of the system to the influence of tidal barrier construction" and quantified intertidal features "using historical charts, aerial photo mosaics and satellite imagery" in order to understand the impact created by the Windsor causeway. Dr. van Proosdij concluded that the impact of the causeway has been local, including the development of "an extensive salt marsh and mudflat ecosystem."

The Faculty of Arts Colloquium, held twice annually, was established to celebrate research conducted by scholars working in the Faculty of Arts.

Teaching Peace in Northern Ireland



For the third consecutive year, a group of students from Saint Mary's University will travel to Belfast, Northern Ireland where they will work with students and teachers in the development of conflict resolution skills. Saint Mary's is the first university in the world to have met the criteria for membership in Peaceful Schools International by virtue of its internal Conflict Resolution Program, a benefit for faculty, staff and students alike. The Saint Mary's team will travel to Northern Ireland from February 14-26, 2008. Front Row (l-r): Jen Schwartz, Bridget Brownlow, Conflict Resolution Advisor; Erin Garner, Shayne Russell, Lorah Jensen, Back Row (l-r): Laura MacIntosh, Allyson Marsh, Dr. Hetty van Gorp, Kathryn Bliss, Zachary Reid, Jeff Lohnes, Chris MacDougall, and Becky Murray.

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Scholarly Professional DEVELOPMENT

ANTHROPOLOGY

Dr. Stephen Davis presented the paper, "Green Power and Backlands Settlement in Nova Scotia" at the ESSENCE Research Symposium; University of Stirling, Scotland, September 28-30, 2007.

COMMUNICATIONS

Dr. Valerie Creelman presented a paper entitled "Ryght worchepful mastresse: Servants' Scripting of Margaret Paston's Social Self" during the 2007 Congress of the Canadian Society of Medievalists held at the University of Saskatchewan, May 27-29, 2007.

ENGLISH

Dr. Sean Kennedy presented the paper, "Memory and Mourning in Beckett's *Texts for Nothing*" at the Rocky Mountain MLA annual conference in Calgary on October 4, 2007. Dr. Kennedy also presented "Ireland/Europe ... Beckett/Beckett" at the Irish Modernism conference in Trinity College, Dublin on October 21, 2007.

Dr. Mark Barr presented a paper entitled "Trial by Aphorism: Justice in William Blake's Proverbs of Hell" at the 2007 NASSR/BARS conference held from July 24-27 at the University of Bristol, UK. His article, "Practicing Resistance: Blake, Milton and the English Jury," was also published in the July 2007 issue of *European Romantic Review*.

On October 7, 2007, Dr. Janet Hill presented the paper, "The Post-Salad Days: Body and Voice in Shakespeare's Older Women" at *Ageing Femininities: Representations of Age and Women*, a conference held at the University of West of England, Bristol, UK.

FINANCE, INFORMATION SYSTEMS & MANAGEMENT SCIENCE

Dr. George Ye was recently invited to speak at the 2007 International Finance and Investment Forum: Exchange Rates and Capital Markets, at Wuhan, China. The title of his speech was *RMB Exchange Rate Risk and Derivatives*. Dr. Ye also co-authored, with Xinhua Chen of Shanghai University, the book, "Financial Derivatives: Angels or Devils?" (in Chinese) published by The Shanghai University of Economics and Finance Press.

GEOGRAPHY

Dr. Cristian Suteanu gave an invited lecture at the UNESCO Chair of Geodynamics and the "Sabba S. Stefanescu" Institute of Geodynamics of the Romanian Academy in Bucharest, entitled, "Looking from Inside: Geosystem Change Identified in Dynamic Fingerprints." Dr. Suteanu also participated in the Fifth International Conference on *New Directions in the Humanities*, Paris, with an oral presentation entitled, "Identical, Similar, or Self-Affine - Exploring Changes of Information Manifestation." He also presented the paper, "The Geography of Scale-Free Landscapes and the Implicated Informational Processes" at the *Conference of the Atlantic Division of the Canadian Association of Geographers* in Moncton, NB.

HISTORY

Dr. Blake Brown authored the article, "That privilege ... of having Grand jurors from our towns: Grand Juries, Municipal Reform, and Responsible Government in Nova Scotia," which was published in the most recent issue of the *Journal of the Royal Nova Scotia Historical Society*. He has also been appointed the inaugural Fulbright Visiting Research Chair at Vanderbilt University.

Dr. James H. Morrison was recognized for 30 years of service to the Federation of Nova Scotian Heritage at the 2007 AGM "What's the Story" held in Truro, NS from April 26-28, 2007. Dr. Morrison also organized and chaired the panel discussion, "Arriving, Settling in and Being Canadian" at Pier 21, Halifax, on May 5, 2007.

Dr. James H. Morrison presented the paper, "Heritage Task Force Waits for Decisions" at the Atlantic Canada Studies conference at Saint Mary's University on May 4, 2007. He also presented the paper, "Oral History-Archives and You" at *Archives and You!* Conference sponsored by the Canadian Council of Archives, Halifax, on May 12, 2007.

Dr. James H. Morrison chaired a session and served as commentator for "Equality, Advocacy and Identity" at the conference, *Town and Country: Exploring Rural and Urban Issues in New Brunswick*, Saint Thomas University, Fredericton, NB. He was also part of the organizing committee for *Commemoration 2007: Slavery, Anti-Slavery, the Road to Freedom International Conference*, marking the 200th anniversary of the abolition of the slave trade, held in Halifax from June 25-30, 2007.

Dr. James H. Morrison conducted a panel presentation on Simon Schama's *Rough Crossings: Britain, Slaves, and the American Revolution* at the NorthEast British Studies Annual Conference held at Dalhousie University on October 12, 2007.

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

Dr. Walden Bello, Distinguished Visiting Professor of International Development Studies, gave the Mellon-Sawyer Public Lecture at Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, on October 2, 2007, entitled "The Environmental Movement in the Global South: The Pivotal Actor in the Fight against Global Warming?", and delivered a talk to the Duke University Interdisciplinary Seminar entitled "The Post-Washington Dissensus: the Unraveling of a Doctrine."

Dr. Saturnino M. Borrás Jr., Canada Research Chair in International Development Studies published a book, *Pro-Poor Land Reform: A Critique*. Ottawa: University of Ottawa Press/University of Toronto Press distribution.

From September 28 - October 5, 2007, Dr. Borrás was a resource person at the global workshop on "rural social movements and democratization" at the Transnational Institute (TNI) in Amsterdam. From August 1 - August 20, Dr. Borrás organized and hosted at Saint Mary's a "writeshop" on comparative study on "peasant movements and rural democratization in Indonesia and the Philippines" with colleagues from these two countries.

MODERN LANGUAGES & CLASSICS

Dr. Rohini Bannerjee has been named the Faculty Advisor for SMU-WUSC (World University Service of Canada).

POLITICAL SCIENCE

On September 20, 2007, Stella Gaon delivered a public lecture at the University at Buffalo, State University of New York. Her talk, "For What May We Hope? Democracy, Rule, and the Critical Provocation of Alterity," was part of a lecture series entitled "Just Theory," sponsored by the Department of Comparative Literature. Dr. Gaon also attended the "Immigration, Minorities and Multiculturalism in Democracies" conference in Montreal from October 24-27, 2007 where she presented a paper entitled "Re-evaluating the Value of Difference: Democracy as the Praxis of Critique."

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

On September 22, 2007, Dr. Nancie Erhard served on a panel for a public forum on religion, politics, and human rights organized by the Truro Pride Group in response to the mayor and council's decision to not fly the rainbow flag.

SOCIOLOGY & CRIMINOLOGY

Evangelia Tastsoglou was a visiting professor for the duration of her sabbatical at the Institute for Urban Sociology, National Centre for Social Research (EKKE), Athens, Greece (January 1 to June 30, 2006). While at the Institute, she was invited to give lectures and workshops at the University of Crete, University of the Aegean, University of Macedonia, Goethe University of Frankfurt, New University of Lisbon, and University of Piraeus. She also co-organized the conference, *Women and Citizenship in a Local / Global World* (May 31-June 1, 2007) which was co-sponsored by the International Sociological Association / RC 32 and the National Institute for Social Research (EKKE), Athens, Greece, under the auspices of the General Secretariat for Gender Equality of the Greek Government (<http://www.isa-sociology.org/rc32.htm>). Her edited book, *Women, Gender and Diasporas: Labour, Community and Identity in the Greek Diaspora*, is forthcoming (Lexington Press, 2008).

Linda Christiansen-Ruffman (Sociology/ Women's Studies/ IDS) and Azza Anis (Women's Studies) organized and participated in a seminar/workshop of global women leaders with an interest in curriculum development for the International Feminist University Network. This South African seminar/workshop, "Another World is Possible in Our Lives," took place in Kleinmond, near Cape Town, South Africa from September 17 to 28, 2007, and was funded by the Ford Foundation and three other international donors.

SOCIOLOGY & INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

Dr. Henry Veltmeyer received a grant (\$113,000) from IDRC to advance the Global Network for Alternative Development. Dr. Veltmeyer also delivered the opening address at the Third International Symposium of Agrarian Geography - Transformação Agrária e Resistência na Nova Ordem Mundial: Campesinato em Movimento, in Londrina, Paraná, Brazil, on October 10, 2007.

Dr. Henry Veltmeyer just published: *Multinationals on Trial: Foreign Investment Matters* (London, Ashgate. Coauthor James Petras); *Illusions and Opportunities: Civil Society in the Quest for Social Change* (Halifax, Fernwood); *Neoliberalism and Imperialism in Latin America: Dynamics and Responses*, *International Review of Modern Sociology*, Vol. 33, Special Issue; and *Maquiladoras, Capital Movement and Migration*, *International Encyclopedia of Organization Studies* (Sage, Thousand Oaks CA; London UK).



In the News...

Chuck Bridges, Vice-President (Assoc.), External Affairs, was quoted in the *Daily News* after the University posthumously awarded Raella Haines with her degree. The 22-year-old forensic science student was killed on May 27, 2007 in a three-vehicle collision on Highway 103 near Mahone Bay.

Dr. Vic Catano, Psychology Department, was busy working with the mass media following the release of his study on workplace stress at universities in Canada. Media outlets that reported on his study included: the *Calgary Herald*, the *Edmonton Journal*, the *Hamilton Spectator*, the *National Post*, the *Vancouver Sun*, the *Regina Leader Post*, the *Ottawa Citizen*, and the *Montreal Gazette*.

Dr. John Chamard, Management Department, was interviewed by CTV News, CBC Radio (Nova Scotia) and the *Daily News* about issues facing retailers and consumers in December.

Dr. Sean Cleary, Finance, Information Systems & Management Science Department, was interviewed on many occasions this semester by CBC Radio (Halifax), CBC National, CTV News (Atlantic and National), the *Chronicle Herald*, and the *Daily News* about the rise in the Canadian dollar.

Dr. Diane Crocker, Sociology Department, was interviewed by CJB (1270 AM) and the *Chronicle Herald* about the restorative justice meeting in Nova Scotia that she organized in collaboration with a number of professors.

Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President, Saint Mary's University, was featured in the *Daily News* and the *Chronicle Herald* where he discussed campus renewal initiatives and the importance of attracting international students to Nova Scotia universities. In addition, he was quoted in the *Daily News*, and the *Chronicle Herald* following the announcement of the Government of Canada's \$2 million support for a new Atrium and Global Learning Commons at Saint Mary's. CTV News (Atlantic), CBC TV, CBC Radio (Nova Scotia), and the Canadian Press (CP), also covered the story. This semester, Dr. Dodds has also contributed a regular column to the *Daily News* in which he addresses various finance-related issues as they relate to the global economy.

Dr. Judy Haiven and Dr. Larry Haiven, Management Department, were interviewed by the *Chronicle Herald* and the *Cape Breton Post* on several occasions regarding their recent study on health care workers' right to strike. The study appeared in the *Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives*. Dr. Judy Haiven was also interviewed by the *Chronicle Herald* about charities in Nova Scotia.

David Lane, Astronomy and Physics, was interviewed by *CBC Canada Now*, and CBC National, and CTV News (Atlantic and National) about bright lights that appeared in the night sky in mid-December as a result of rocket fuel that was dumped in space. The *Chronicle Herald* also highlighted the fact that Lane is the recipient of the 2007 *Science Champion Award* from the Discovery Centre.

Dr. Jeremy Lundholm, Biology Department, was featured in the *Vancouver Sun* regarding his "green roof" research.

Dr. Madine VanderPlaat, Sociology Department, was interviewed by the *Chronicle Herald* about the importance of attracting more immigrants to Nova Scotia.

SMU's Erik Glavic Wins Hec Crighton Trophy

By Danny Carew



Erik Glavic Photo: Joe Chrvala

Erik Glavic has been named the 2007 winner of the *Hec Crighton Trophy*, an award recognizing the CIS outstanding player of the year. The last Saint Mary's player to claim the crown as the "King of Canadian Football" was quarterback Chris Flynn who won the award for three consecutive years from 1989 through 1990.

Erik edged out Bishop's running back Jamall Lee, University of Ottawa quarterback Joshua Sacobie, and University of Regina quarterback Teale Orban.

Glavic, a 6'6" passer from Pickering, Ontario, led the Huskies to a regular season mark of 7-1. Glavic is equally as lethal throwing the ball as he is running it, as evidenced by his impressive numbers. Glavic threw for 1,995 yards, 17 touchdowns, and five interceptions on the season, and ran the ball for 478 yards on only 62 carries, good for an average of 7.7 yards per carry. Glavic administered the number one offense in CIS football, a team which averaged an impressive 529 yards per game. Glavic toyed with defenses all season long; he was only sacked twice on the season and his completion percentage of 64% was good for second in Huskies history behind Chris Flynn's percentage of 66.3%.

While Erik is flattered to be considered the best in Canada, he values victories over personal accolades. "I wouldn't put this award over championships; winning is everything, not winning awards. It's definitely special. I'm very honoured. We need to put the award aside and go and win championships," says Glavic, who was unable to play in the Vanier Cup due to a torn ACL which he sustained in a stunning victory over the Rouge-et-Or in the Uteck Bowl. "It hurts 100% not to be able to play. I'd trade this in 100% to be able to play."

Erik has been a quarterback since he was eight-years old. He's a natural leader, a characteristic essential for a player who conducts the offense. Despite being in obvious pain sitting on the sideline for the second-half of the Uteck Bowl, Erik stayed upbeat and optimistic, cheering on his teammates and relaying that he would in fact play in the Vanier. Despite being in crutches during the awards ceremony, Erik would drop them and jump into action for the Vanier if doctors deemed he was eligible for action. Erik knew he wouldn't be able to play. "The injury is unfortunate, but you just have to support the team. We're a tight-knit group. I have all the confidence in the team." Spoken like a true hero, more importantly, a true player.

While Ted Abraham led the charge against the Bisons, expect Erik to be back next season in an attempt to lead the Huskies to back-to-back Vanier Cup appearances. "Hopefully we can win two more Vanier cups. I just want to win, and hopefully we will."

How did Saint Mary's land a *Hec Crighton* winner? Well, Erik says the Business program and the history of the Huskies' success in football were the chief reasons as to why he came to Halifax. "I'm happy to win the *Hec Crighton*, but I want a Vanier," he says. While the Huskies did not win the Vanier this year, Erik will have every opportunity to get another chance at the national title.

Erik is the epitome of a champion and a great ambassador for Saint Mary's University. Thank you, Erik, for electrifying the fans and making us all proud to be a part of Saint Mary's.

Chrysler Canada Gives Saint Mary's a \$100,000 'Lift'



Left to right: Mitch Gillingwater, President of SMUSA; Paul J. Dyer, Chair, Saint Mary's University Board of Governors; Steven J. Landry (BComm '82), Executive Vice-President - North American Sales, Chrysler LLC; and Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President, Saint Mary's.

On November 28, 2007, Steven J. Landry (BComm '82), Executive Vice-President - North American Sales, Chrysler LLC, presented a \$100,000 gift to the Saint Mary's *Hearts & Minds Capital Campaign*.

The gift will create two annual scholarships at Saint Mary's, valued at \$2,500 each. Starting next year, one will be awarded to a student enrolled in the Sobey School of Business and the second to a student in the Division of Engineering.

"The gift from Chrysler Canada will ensure that Saint Mary's continues to grow and provide access to education for students in commerce and engineering," said Landry during the cheque presentation that was held in the Main Lobby of the Sobey Building.

"We at Chrysler are proud to support higher education while helping future leaders of tomorrow achieve their goals of earning an education at one of Canada's leading universities, Saint Mary's," he added.

More than 100 people — students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends of the University — attended the special event. Landry also had the opportunity to meet with students from the Sobey School of Business and the Faculty of Science. Later in the evening, he made a presentation to the Board of Governors at Saint Mary's.

The *Hearts & Minds Capital Campaign* has been an exciting ride for Saint Mary's since it was launched over one year ago. The University has now reached 87% of its \$40 million goal with the recent gift from Chrysler Canada. The campaign is expected to wrap-up at the end of this year.

Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President, Saint Mary's, noted that the gift from Chrysler Canada represents the kind of fuel that Saint Mary's needs to remain a strong leader in higher education at the global level. "Chrysler Canada's gift ensures that we as a university remain on the road of success and continue growing while attracting the best and brightest students from around the world," said Dodds. "The widely known automotive company's generosity benefits those we care about most at Saint Mary's: the students," he added.

Saint Mary's University Career Development Centre Opens its Doors!

Submitted by Carmen Burke, Career Information Specialist



At the ribbon-cutting ceremony, left to right: Carmen Burke, Career Information Specialist, Career Development Centre; Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President, Saint Mary's University; Keith Hotchkiss, Director of Student Services; and Donnie Jeffrey, Counsellor, Career Services.

Career Services at Saint Mary's University is pleased to announce that the Career Development Centre has officially opened its doors. The Centre is located on the third floor of the Student Centre and is open Monday through Friday from 10:00 am until 4:30 pm.

The Centre's philosophy is to provide a comprehensive service to future Saint Mary's University students looking to make decisions about programs, current first and second year students deciding on their major, and to graduating students who are researching what career and graduate school options are available to them. In addition, we offer services to all alumni for up to one year after their graduation.

The Centre is taking a modern approach to delivering information to students with respect to its cafe style atmosphere and electronic mode of communication. Students can work on-line at one of five new computer stations or relax and research in the soft seating section of the Centre.

On-line folders for all majors offered at Saint Mary's have been compiled and include related websites and resources. The '101 Series,' a very popular career information tool, details what jobs are

directly or indirectly related to the major, industry statistics, and current outlooks for employment.

CareerCruising.com, a Canadian web-based program, provides information on all academic programs and their respective institutions. It offers occupational information including interviews with industry professionals allowing a realistic view of the occupation. Career Cruising permits you to assess certain aspects of a student's interest in relation to occupations. The Centre also offers workshops to faculty, students, student societies, and staff on a variety of career-related topics.

Whether applying for a part-time, summer or full-time job, the Centre can assist students. We provide valuable information, via online and hardcopy resources, on resumes, cover letters and interviewing. We also offer resume/cover letter critiques as well as mock interviews.

The majority of resources and information within the Centre are online so students can access it whether they are in the Centre, at home, in a different province, or out of the country. This comprehensive approach to providing career-related information to students from pre-registration to post-graduation will mean students are making informed decisions when selecting programs, majors or careers.

The Centre is staffed by our full-time Career Information Specialist, Carmen Burke, and by our part-time Career Assistant, Vivienne Edward, who is a graduate student at Saint Mary's. In addition, the Career Development Centre has student volunteers working with us. The Centre is overseen by Donnie Jeffrey, Counsellor, Career Services.

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For more information on the Career Development Centre or Career Services, please stop by or visit us at www.smu.ca/career.

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