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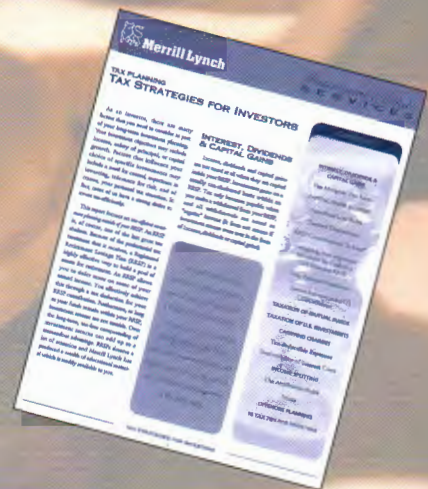
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Cover Photo: Alumni Chris Tzanteas and Costa Elles, co-owners of Opa - a restaurant that offers an authentic Greek dining experience in downtown Halifax.

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Editor's Homepage



As Editor, I've learned that perhaps the toughest part of the job is deciding what to include in the magazine. Have we room for the story or not? Story meetings are never dull - which is a good thing. But unfortunately it means we can never cover everything we want to. We do our best to give you a good sampling of alumni news, campus news, sports, branch happenings and so on. But it's a sampling. At best, we hope it is a good representation of our vibrant and active alumni and university community.

Our website helps tell a more complete story. Current and past editions of the Times - Saint Mary's official newspaper - offer a closer look at campus news and can be found on-line. Visit the athletics department pages for the latest scores, schedules and sports news. Our alumni pages are also a good source of information. So visit the Saint Mary's website and visit often.

Unlike a daily newspaper where news is typically the most current available, a magazine like this one has a much longer production time. Stories are normally written a month or two in advance of printing time. While the magazine was in the hands of our designer, an event happened in the news that affected one of our stories. Rather than change the story - Finding Peace In Africa (page 11), we decided to leave our story as it was originally written. In our story, alumna Shelly Whitman describes her role in the peace process of Africa's Congo region. We mention the leader of the Congo, President Kabila in our introduction.

I have since then learned through the newspaper that President Kabila was gunned down at his palace in mid January following 30 minutes of intense gunfire. Congo's Communication Minister stated that "Congo is in mourning. He gave entirely the best years of his life for the freedom of the Congolese people." His son is now the temporary head of government. He now has the difficult task of carrying on his father's work in a wartorn nation that has been thrown into even greater turmoil with his father's death. Read Shelly's story to learn more about the situation in Africa and what efforts are being made towards peace.

In this issue of the M&W, we also introduce you some ambitious and bright entrepreneurs who are not only successful in business but also passionate about what they do. Like Costa Elles and Chris Tzanteas (cover photo), best friends and co-owners of Opa, a Greek restaurant in downtown Halifax. They prove the adage "never do business with friends" doesn't always apply.

Meet Tanya Shaw-Weeks, a revolutionary in the garment business who has successfully integrated fashion and technology. And Suzanne Saul who has combined her artistic side with some business ingenuity, and is now co-owner of Attica Furnishings in Halifax.

We hope you enjoy this issue and as always we welcome your feedback and suggestions.

Penny Murrill

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Director's Note



Dear Alumni and Friends,

Welcome to the Winter 2001 edition of the Maroon and White.

This current issue of the magazine contains the latest news from Saint Mary's and information on events and activities featuring alumni around the world.

Congratulations to our newest members of the Alumni Association - the Fall 2000 graduates. Best of luck in your future endeavors and stay in touch with your alma mater. The Alumni Association is your voice on campus. I hope you will take the opportunity to stay connected to Saint Mary's.

The Alumni Association has recently launched a new and exciting Alumni communication system.

I would encourage you all to visit the Alumni web-site, (www.stmarys.ca/alumni) update your e-mail address and give us your feedback. Don't forget to bookmark the site for future visits!

Our cover story in this issue features two local entrepreneurs. Congratulations to Costa Elles and Chris Tzanteas on their successful restaurant - Opa. Should you have the opportunity, drop by the restaurant, you certainly won't be disappointed!

Congratulations to all alumni featured in this edition of the Maroon and White. Best wishes from your fellow alumni and friends.

Enjoy the magazine!

Barry Gallant, Director of Alumni

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of the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association magazine, *Maroon & White*, is to build and maintain relationships between alumni and the University community; to serve as an information arm of the Alumni Association; to promote the successes and achievements of our alumni; and to support the University in fulfilling its mission.

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Fantastic job on the Fall 2000 edition of the *Maroon & White*.

- Frank Gervais
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Truly enjoyed the latest alumni magazine. Thank you once again for a high quality edition, which can keep us home-sick Maritimers up-to-date.

- Mark Shupe
MBA'88

and

- Lana Shupe (nee Faye)
BA'87

Very "well done" on the best ever *Maroon & White* (not that any of the others were shabby either). Please convey my sincerest congratulations to all who contributed. Please note - I do read many business associated magazines - this one rates an A+.

- Robert Currie
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Live Shakespeare For Students

In the spring of 2001, students at Saint Mary's will have a one-of-a-kind learning experience in Shakespeare country.

Saint Mary's will be the first Canadian university to enroll students in a course at Stratford-upon-Avon, England as part of a new English program. They will have the opportunity to learn from leading scholars in the field, get a behind the scenes look at everything from the roles of speech coaches to costume designers and watch the Royal Shakespeare Company (considered the best theatre company in the world performing Shakespeare) perform.

This summer course is offered through Saint Mary's Division of Continuing Education. Dr. Goran Stanivukovic and Dr. Janet Hill, both professors in the English department at Saint Mary's and both passionate about Shakespeare, will lead English 401.1, a half credit course. The three-week course will begin in May.



“...a one-of-a-kind learning experience in Shakespeare country.”

Campus Renewal Now Includes Athletic Facilities

Saint Mary's has introduced a new initiative that could lead to the renovation of the 30 year-old Huskies Stadium and replacement of the Alumni Arena with a multi-million dollar sports and academic complex.

Larry Uteck, Saint Mary's athletics director says, "Preliminary plans are for a 2,500 seat arena/conference center in the first phase and a new field, track and combination 8,000 seat stadium, academic building and multi-use facility in later stages."

The first phase of the athletic renovations will involve the construction of a new rink made possible largely by fund-raising that will build on the \$2-million bequest from deceased alumnus Bob Dauphinee (see Sports). The rink would ideally be part of a larger convention center and include new classrooms, retail facilities, dressing and training rooms.

The next phases will involve Huskies Stadium where the artificial turf will be replaced and the track widened to 12 lanes enabling Saint Mary's to host international track meets. Each of the phases will begin as funding becomes available. Having Atlantic Canada's top university sports complex at Saint Mary's would provide a venue that could attract national sports events such as the Vanier Cup. The project is still in the early planning stages according to Uteck.

The athletic facilities fit into a larger plan of renewal at Saint Mary's. A \$25-million infrastructure project involving the renovation of the Loyola-Vanier residences is now underway. Strategic plans for the science and other buildings on campus will be unfolding as the bicentennial approaches in 2002.

RCMP and Saint Mary's Launch New Forensic Science Program

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) and Science Faculty from Saint Mary's University recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for a new Forensic Science Program - a first of its kind in Canada.

There are 25 students, including a number of RCMP officers now enrolled in the program, who are learning how to extract clues from crime scenes. The program is designed to give students and police officers a strong grounding in different science disciplines that form the techniques used in forensic investigations. "Criminal investigation is getting more and more complicated," says RCMP Assistant Commissioner Robert Goulet, who heads up the force's identification services branch in Ottawa. "Just 30 years ago, we investigated with fingerprints. Now we're looking at blood splats, DNA and other specialized issues."

Dr. Doug Strongman, biology professor and coordinator of the program, says that forensic science encompasses the methodology and interpretation of data collected in the investigation of deaths, or other events that could be criminal in nature.

RCMP Assistant Commissioner Dwight Bishop says the training and expertise gained through the program will help solve crimes. RCMP headquarters in Halifax has its own highly regarded forensic laboratory and regularly calls on Saint Mary's professors to assist in investigations. "This program will only bring better knowledge to bear on our investigations," says Bishop.

Saint Mary's Hosts the 2001 MBA Games

Close to 600 of the country's brightest MBA students gathered at Saint Mary's last month to participate in the 2001 MBA Games.

The three-day event is a mix of social and athletic events, as well as serious academic competition. It is Canada's largest annual gathering of MBA students. The highlight of the event was the rigorous two-day business case competition. Each team was given a business scenario and a limited time to analyze the case and present their findings to the panel of judges.

Some of the other events included an official gala dinner and awards ceremony, sporting events, a Halifax pub crawl that may be a contender for the largest pub crawl ever in the Guinness Book of World Records, and entertainment provided by the popular rock group "Signal Hill." Participants were led to each event by bagpipers.

The MBA Games are a wonderful opportunity to meet and network with other students from across the country. This is the first time the competition, organized this year by Saint Mary's MBA students, has been held in Nova Scotia and only the second time it has been held outside Ontario and Quebec.



Members of the MBA Games 2001 Executive Committee; (front row) Nicole Robinson, Jennifer Chisholm, Stacy Ridi, (back row) Todd Ernst, Jason Frew, Jamie O'Reilly and Justin Keyes

Our Newest Santamarians!

On October 22, over 300 students crossed the stage at The Tower and received their degrees in arts, commerce and science.

During the convocation ceremonies, Dr. J. Colin Dodds was installed as president and Dr. Henry Veltmeyer, professor of sociology, was presented with the President's Award for Excellence in Research. Three remarkable women were given honorary degrees. Dr. Ann Elizabeth Duggan received a Doctor of Science, The Honorable Constance R. Glube, Chief Justice of Nova Scotia Court of Appeal, received a Doctor of Laws, and Hanan Mikhail-Ashrawi received a Doctor of Civil Law. For more information on the lives & careers of all our distinguished recipients, visit "What's New" on the university's website at www.stmarys.ca.

Dr. Dodds Installed as President

On October 22, Dr. J. Colin Dodds officially became the 33rd president of Saint Mary's. He described the day that marked the symbolic beginning of his term as president as "truly remarkable" for his entire family.



Dr. Dodds (right) wearing the Medallion of Office, with Terry Donahoe (top left), his wife Lynn (bottom left) and Mary Eileen Donahoe (bottom centre).

The Presidential Installation that took place during convocation ceremony and the dinner held that evening, brought together presidents of post-secondary institutions, representatives of academic associations and government. Her Honour, Myra A.

First Nunavut EMBA Graduate

During fall's convocation, Helen Kimnik Klengenberg became the first graduate of Saint Mary's Nunavut EMBA program.

The program, a partnership between Arctic College and Saint Mary's allowed students in Nunavut to enroll in EMBA courses at home and at Saint Mary's. Faculty including Dr. Peter Secord, Dr. John Chamard, Dr. Sean Cleary, Dr. Harvey Miller and Dr. Eric Lee traveled to Iqaluit to teach specific modules.

Dr. Chamard, management remarked, "I am proud to have been part of the Nunavut EMBA program. It was a positive contribution to helping the people of Nunavut hone their skills for self-government. It also gave us a chance to develop our skills in delivering culturally sensitive teaching material. Finally, it was a wonderful personal experience to meet and work with some of the people of Canada's newest region."

Freeman, Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia was also in attendance at the Installation Dinner along with colleagues and friends of the Dodds. Saint Mary's had not installed a new president in more than two decades. It was a celebration that Dr. Dodds shared with his wife Carol and children James and Elizabeth.

Dr. Dodds received a surprise during the Installation Ceremony when he was presented with the Medallion of Office. Because Dr. Dodds had opted to wear his own academic robes from the University of Sheffield rather than the traditional robes of office, the Installation committee was faced with the task of creating a new symbol of office. That symbol took the form of a Medallion of Office designed and created by James Bradshaw and Bruce Babcock of James Bradshaw Jewelry Design Studio in Halifax.

The centre of the medallion is a University Gold Medal, traditionally awarded to the top graduating students. It symbolizes the University's deep commitment to academic excellence. The medal is surrounded by sterling silver, to represent the diversity of the University community and academic programs.

Mary Eileen Donahoe and her family presented the medallion as a memorial to the late Senator Richard A. Donahoe. "Dickie" Donahoe, as he was affectionately known, was one of the first members of the University's Board of Governors. The Donahoe family has a lengthy relationship with Saint Mary's.

A Unique Valedictory Voice

Tara Keleher's valedictory address not only revealed her creative spirit but was also an inspiring call for graduates to contribute to their global community.

Keleher, the valedictorian of the 2000 Fall Convocation, received a dual Bachelor of Commerce degree with a major in marketing and a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in International Development Studies. She has a special family connection to Saint Mary's. Her father, Donald Keleher, director of development and an alumnus, has been part of the senior administration team for more than 20 years.

She drew her idea for the speech from the Dr. Seuss book *All the Places You'll Go*. "I started to write a 'normal' speech and I wasn't inspired." Keleher's speech reflected the lessons that she has learned through her extensive travel across the far reaches of the world.

An excerpt from Keleher's valedictory poem:

"That's why the close future
depends on us youth!
We must be the risk takers,
not forgetting what's best
For this world and its people,
let's rise to the test.
We've inherited a responsibility,
we must respect mother earth
We must preserve our future,
may we value its worth.

For we've learned a great deal,
so of course we must act,
We must share what we've learned,
let's all make a pact.
To be kind to our neighbour,
help other humans grow,
To change a life for the better,
based on all that you know."



Opa Offers Authentic Greek Dining in Halifax

Alumni Find Success With Tastes of Homeland

Costa Elles and Chris Tzanteas

“We’ve been friends for a long time and there have been many times we disagreed but at the end of the day our friendship is what matters most.”

If you build it, they will come. Kevin Costner’s character in the movie *Field of Dreams* tore up his cornfield and replaced it with a baseball diamond and sure enough baseball’s legends came to play. Costner’s character put his faith in these words and so did Costa Elles and Chris Tzanteas.

Saint Mary’s alumni Elles and Tzanteas had always envisioned the day they would be the owners of a Greek restaurant in downtown Halifax. And last June, they were convinced the timing was right and that if they could offer people an authentic Greek dining experience, people would come. And they did.

They had been mulling over the idea for many years but they knew the local market wasn’t ready. “The pubs were busy. The diner wasn’t as sophisticated as they are today and I don’t mean to insult anyone,” says Tzanteas. He explains that in today’s global economy, people are doing business all over the world and are being exposed to a much more diverse cuisine than in the past. “Today’s dining customer expects a lot more. They have traveled and experienced what other cities like Toronto, Montreal and New York have to offer. They’ve gone to Greece. People’s palettes are changing and they want more variety when they go out dining.”

It was time for Opa. Located on the corners of Argyle and Blowers streets in downtown Halifax, Elles and

Tzanteas couldn’t be happier with the reception Opa has received from customers. And with over 1500 customers coming through their doors every week, many of them more than once, that’s a good indication of customer satisfaction. In fact to top it off readers of *Coast Magazine* voted Opa the best new restaurant in Halifax. Not bad for their first year in business and as owners of a restaurant in a market where there is a staggering amount of restaurants and bars for customers to choose from.

Opa signaled not only the launch of a successful restaurant but it took Elles and Tzanteas’s friendship to a new level. Were they ever worried that charting new territory with their friendship might ruin what they had? Not for a moment they both reply without any hesitation.

“People asked us - ‘are you guys sure you want to do this and risk ruining your friendship?’ But that never concerned me at all,” says Tzanteas. “We’ve been friends for a long time and there have been many times we disagreed but at the end of the day our friendship is what matters most. Family and friends are what’s important and we share this philosophy.”

Calling their restaurant Opa was just one of the many decisions they eventually agreed on. Elles explains that there is no direct English translation, but that it is an expression that Greeks use when they are out for an evening with friends and having a good time.

Having a good time with friends is what their business is all about. The roots of this incredible friendship were formed at Saint Mary’s where Elles and Tzanteas first met. They are both from Toronto and came to Saint Mary’s in 1980 to play varsity sports - soccer and football respectively. Former football coach Al Keith is the reason they are here in Halifax today.

Keith lured Tzanteas to Saint Mary’s, while playing high school football in Toronto. Elles’s story is a bit less predictable. A year earlier, his father was posted to Halifax as minister of Halifax’s Greek Church. Elles had remained in Toronto to finish high school. While Keith was in Toronto recruiting Tzanteas, he phoned Elles after hearing from friends of his parents. “My parents were trying to convince me to follow them to Halifax at the time. So the football coach ended up recruiting me to play soccer at Saint Mary’s.”

But it was during their second year at Saint Mary’s that Elles and Tzanteas would become good friends. “During the first year, we pretty well kept to our own crowds - football and soccer,” says Elles. By second year, they were both working part-time at the Office (now the Argyle) as bartenders.

After graduating, Tzanteas returned to Toronto where he worked as a sales representative for Sleeman’s Brewery. A few years later, he received a call from a friend who gave him a reason to return to Halifax that was too good to pass up. The Office had burnt down and Tzanteas was asked to help re-open the

establishment. He was full of ideas from his time as a sales rep and only too pleased to return to Halifax. Eight years later, the Argyle is one of Halifax's most successful establishments.

Elles had a varied career before joining Tzanteas. He worked in a bank in Halifax, in marketing and sales for a fashion designer in Toronto and played professional soccer in Cyprus. But because he was born in Cyprus he was required to serve in the army for several years and that idea didn't appeal to him. So he returned to Halifax and enrolled in a stockbroker-training program, but the company went bankrupt before he finished and he was forced to find other work. He was eventually offered a job as a sales representative for Moosehead Breweries where he worked for 10 years.

Elles and Tzanteas remained good friends over the years and patiently waited for the day they would open their first Greek restaurant in Halifax.

"We were visiting Toronto all the time and one of the things we used to do was visit all the Greek restaurants while we were there. We'd go and have a great meal and then come back to Halifax and say it was too bad we can't get something like that here," says Elles. In late 1999, they felt the time had come.

"The biggest challenge was putting together a business proposal that the banks would accept and then lend us the money," says Tzanteas. "Gone are the days in this industry when you could open up by putting up a few tables and chairs and selling somebody a draft. People are now looking for a complete dining experience - the atmosphere, the food and the entertainment are all part of the package. We were confident we could do it."

They credit their business courses from Saint Mary's with teaching them how to put together an effective business plan. "The banks don't like lending money to this industry because for every 10 restaurants that open, eight of them close after a year. It's unfortunate that many people have this romantic notion of owning their own restaurant because you have to be prepared for everything else that goes into making it a success like the marketing and promotions, the management, and the accounting," says Tzanteas. They say that Peter Fitzner, BA'90, of the Scotiabank was instrumental in helping them get the financing they needed to go ahead.

Elles and Tzanteas both agreed that if they were going to make a go of it, then they had to think big. Space formally occupied by the Graduate had become available and could seat well over 100 customers comfortably.

While the space is large, they divided it into different areas creating several separate dining spaces. A large olive tree is the centerpiece of the restaurant. The uneven marble floors enhance the rustic outdoorsy feel. Blue and yellow paint is used to brighten several areas while large windows provide ample natural light in the main dining area. Working with the original character of the old building, they wanted to create an atmosphere that made you feel like you were dining in Greece.

"We are both passionate about this and I truly believe that under those circumstances it is difficult to fail," says Tzanteas. "I think it's a Greek thing - our entrepreneurial spirit is in our blood. I knew one day this

was going to happen."

But of course as with any new business, there have been a lot of personal sacrifices made. "You've got to be hands on to make it work as an independent restaurateur," says Tzanteas. "We are not like a chain that has all sorts of management and support, we have to be here to watch our operation. Customers want to be taken care of. They want the personal touch. It's not a turn-key operation."

They say that Greek cuisine is often misunderstood. "It's not just donairs and souvlaki," says Elles. In fact, donairs are a Halifax creation. Real Greek food is about making meals out of what's available from the land. They explain that lamb is popular in Greece because the heat makes it difficult to raise cattle. Seafood, chicken, goat and quail are also part of the Greek diet.

"Our food is not spicy, as in hot, as people often think, but it is full of herbs like oregano, basil and rosemary," says Tzanteas. "One thing we have a lot of in Greece is olive oil and of course it is also very beneficial to your health. We use only extra virgin olive oil in our cooking. There is a very Mediterranean feel to our food. And of course desserts are big."

Opa has been popular with Halifax's Greek community, which according to Elles and Tzanteas is the biggest compliment they could receive. But because the local Greek community is relatively small (about 1200), they knew they would need to design the restaurant with the non-Greek customer in mind. So they are gradually adding new items to their menu as the customers become more acquainted with the Greek cuisine.

And because Halifax is a relatively small market with lots of choices of where to eat, they needed to ensure that they had repeat business. "We have to see people back again and again and again. You can't get complacent and keep the menu and the wine lists the same. You have to be creative with your dishes and have lots of specials. People who have been here once will return looking for something more and we have to make sure we satisfy the customer," says Tzanteas.

This past September, Elles took a short break from the restaurant to get married. "The joke is that I now have a wife and a husband (Tzanteas)." Elles's wife Beth is an OR nurse and they both have hectic schedules but they make sure they find time for each other.

Elles and Tzanteas say they need to learn to walk first and then run, but they are already looking at some other business possibilities. "We're fine tuning this establishment and if we are going to grow we need to spend less and less time at each of our establishments, so we need to make sure we have good management programs in place," says Tzanteas. "This experience has shown us that Halifax diners want more and if you give it to them - good service and good food in a nice atmosphere, they are willing to try new things."

In other words, if you build it, they will come.

By Penny Murdock



Opa is located at the corner of Argyle and Blowers streets in downtown Halifax.

“Gone are the days in this industry when you could open up by putting up a few tables and chairs and selling somebody a draft.”

Attica Reinventing The Urban Classic

By Lisa Legatto

Suzanne Saul made a decision after she graduated from The Nova Scotia College of Art and Design (NSCAD) that she did not want to be a starving artist. That realization led her to Saint Mary's MBA program and the creation of Attica Furnishings, a Halifax store that is garnering national attention for its selection of contemporary urban designs.

The years in art school presented challenges for Saul and her husband, award winning furniture designer Christopher Joyce. "We lived in a bachelor apartment and shared a wash-

work on their art on the weekends. "I didn't want to have to make my living in art," she says. Whether it is through a commercial gallery or applying for grants, she believes that artists have to define themselves in the marketplace. "You really can't get away from the business side of it."

This was one motivation for Saul to pursue her MBA. She went into the program with a very specific idea of what she wanted out of it. This enabled her to target specific courses and major projects with practical applications to small businesses. In the summer of 1995, Saul and Joyce opened their

of people around here weren't interested in modern contemporary work," she says. "It was good for us because it allowed us to incubate our business." Most of the stock was handmade and much of it was one-of-a-kind pieces. "Even when we started we always had a clear vision of what we wanted the store to be... we had a big idea in our heads even though we had no money."

Attica was born out of their experiences with Artrage. In 1997, it was established with \$600 on Saul's credit card and a \$5000 line of credit - \$2000 of which had to go to track lighting. It was the sweat equity of

have become more receptive to their stock of modern contemporary furniture and household items. Saul says, "People are adopting a cleaner design sensibility for their homes."

Attica's motto, borrowed from William Morris, a 19th century designer is painted on the wall of the store. "Have nothing in your house that you do not know to be useful or believe to be beautiful." Saul says that this represents Attica's philosophy of a modern concept of beauty that can be defined in clean lines without unnecessary adornment.

The store and recently expanded furniture showroom carries the work of local, Canadian and international designers. This includes everything from everyday glassware to a metal wall sconce created by Joyce designed in the shape of a dragonfly with hand dyed silk organza wings.

The years of hard work are starting to pay off. CTV's House and Home recently aired a segment on Attica. Gourmet Magazine, Canadian Retailer and others have profiled their unique take on what they refer to as the "urban classic". National media regularly contact them to inquire about style and design trends in the Maritimes.

The question now is what direction the business should take. "That's the struggle, we've talked about opening another location in another province but at the same time we've been debating whether we want to have a life," Saul says and laughs. She may have managed to take her first vacation in years this summer but she has no intention of slowing down or spending too much time reflecting on how far they've come. Saul says, "We actually have to force ourselves to do that because we keep looking at where we want to go as opposed to where we've been."

room with four other apartments. I remember a couple of times we went through our winter coats in the summer looking for change," she says. "I just thought, I'm not doing this."

Saul says that it is a long hard road to pursuing art as a full time occupation. Many people have to work full time jobs and

first business, Artrage Studio. The store was located in Joyce's workshop on Gottigen Street, in the city's north end.

Saul worked full-time as a marketing manager down the street and would run over to cover lunch breaks during the week and Saturdays. "It was very small and humble beginnings because at the time a lot

Saul, Joyce and friends that made the renovation of the downtown location possible. For two and half months, Joyce would pick Saul up at 5 pm, after a full day at work, and they would work until midnight ripping up floors, carrying out garbage and preparing the space.

Since the store opened, people



Suzanne Saul and husband Christopher Joyce, co-owners of Attica Furnishings located on Granville Street in Halifax

Shaw-Weeks Revolutionizing The Garment Industry

By Lisa Legatto

Imagine not having to wander around the crowded malls looking for that perfect jacket, or having to try on different styles or having to ask a sales person if it comes in your size. Now imagine being able to shop for that perfect jacket online at home and seeing an image of yourself on the computer screen wearing each of the jackets that you "virtually" try on.

This is the future of online retail clothing. One of the masterminds behind the software making this possible is Halifax entrepreneur Tanya Shaw-Weeks.

"I really think that it's just where the future is going so we're thrilled to be on the ground floor," says Shaw-Weeks, the 29 year-old president and CEO of Virtually Yours. The Dartmouth, Nova Scotia based business will provide software for large retailers in the apparel industry, allowing customers to recreate their own image wearing the clothing for sale online. It will also allow customers to inquire about necessary alterations, what locations carry specific styles and sizes and even put items on hold. There is also an expert system that can offer advice about what someone should try on for their specific body type or what to wear on a particular occasion.

The customer will be able to do this by either using a photograph or creating a composite from a library of faces and then entering their measurements. Virtually Yours is in the process of developing a three-dimensional body scanner that would capture the customer's image in a store's dressing room. The information would then be entered on a database that could be accessed with a password.

The software was launched this fall and five major companies have already signed on. Shaw-Weeks says that most retailers say that they know this kind of technology is inevitable. "It won't be the only way that people shop but it will be a supplementary thing that people just expect."

This is not Shaw-Weeks' first great idea to spawn a successful business. In 1994 she established Unique Pattern Designs Ltd. After graduating from Dalhousie University's Costume Studies Program she started her own dressmaking and design business. In 1993, Shaw-

Weeks started taking commerce classes at Saint Mary's, primarily at the World Trade Centre. She continued to study part time for three years before her growing company put her studies on hiatus.

"It was so practical. I could just come back and relate it to my business," she says. "I learned organizational characteristics that I could really see were working in the workplace... that was just phenomenal."

She soon realized that it was difficult to expand a business that was so dependent on her. She also discovered that a lot of her customers who enjoyed sewing were frustrated by the fact that patterns often needed to be sized. Shaw-Weeks decided that she wanted to develop software that would automate the process.

"I think that in some ways, if you're naïve enough and believe that you can do anything you're not scared to go ahead." With the assistance of programmers at TUNS (now DalTech), Shaw-Weeks started developing the software. She did this without any computer experience.

The process took a couple of years before development of the product was complete in 1996 and Unique Pattern Designs began to gain recognition. It got a huge boost in

1997 when Kathy Ruddy, a 30-year veteran of the sewing and garment industry, became the company's vice-president. Last year,

they formed a partnership with Butterick Vogue Patterns, the 120 year-old American pattern giant. Now Unique Patterns customers can order selected patterns custom made to their measurements. Unique Patterns is based on memberships purchased by customers for \$39.95. Unique Pattern has over 10,000 members providing the company with the largest database of women's measurements in the world.

Shaw-Weeks describes her companies as both visionary and traditional. "We come from roots of being in the garment industry where you're counting how much each button costs," she says. "You can't help but stay pretty grounded." The journey from the dressmaking business in her parents' house to brokering deals with major companies in the pattern and retail business is not lost on her.

"I'd never really ever worked for anyone else and now I've got all these people working for me, instead of participating in a stock option plan I'm administering one, I've never been a shareholder and now I have shareholders. I haven't had the chance to do these things from the other side before just going and diving in the deep end."



Struggle With Cancer Gives New Meaning To Life

By Paul Fitzgerald

Angela Vecchio-Ozmon has had to face some tough choices in life.

"I had to choose whether I wanted to be positive or negative when faced with a diagnosis of cancer," she says in a serious tone. Then she gives a big smile. "Besides, who would have wanted to be around me

Tower. She hasn't much time before she has to run off to look after her two children and square a few things away with some other business. Looking at her, one would never guess that the Saint Mary's alumna battled a potentially fatal disease.

"February 25th of '99 is a date I'll never, never forget," she says. She sits back in a chair in the Tower's Courtside Lounge and reminisces about her fight with breast cancer, a disease that kills hundreds of women across Canada each year.

Vecchio-Ozmon, daughter of former Saint Mary's President Dr. Ken Ozmon and Elizabeth Ozmon, graduated with a Bachelor of Arts from Saint Mary's in 1985. She says she discovered a lump in her breast in the fall of 1998, just after she took a fundraising job with the QEII Health Sciences Centre in Halifax.

Coincidentally, her first assignment in her new job was to work on "Head for the Hills," a ski event aimed at raising thousands of dollars for a digital stereotactic core biopsy machine - a specialized piece of equipment that assists doctors in detecting breast cancer.

"Talk about a coincidence," she says. "I took a job and began meeting all sorts of people who either had breast cancer or were involved with breast cancer research. And then within no time I found a lump in my breast."

But the coincidences didn't end there. Her husband, Simon Roberts, is a pharmaceutical representative, specializing in breast cancer drugs. "I remember when my doctor gave me the diagnosis of ductal carcinoma in situ," she says. "I didn't know what she was saying. But when I looked over and saw my husband in tears, I knew that I had cancer."

From there the news would only get worse. Following the surgery to remove her breast, her doctor told her that the cancer had spread to her lymph nodes. Fourteen had been removed, but doctors still advised that she undergo aggressive chemotherapy and radiation to eliminate any chances of the cancer returning.

"I've never been through anything so horrible in my life, and I just hope to God that I never have to go through anything like that again. I had to make changes to my will, my hair was falling out, I felt sick everyday, and I couldn't eat."

But despite it all, she managed to keep a positive attitude. "It was a really tough time. But you know, I just knew that if I kept fighting and doing whatever it took to remain strong, then my chances of beating cancer would be that much greater."

Her family and friends were also extremely supportive during her battle. "My husband, father, mother, and my two children and many others were by my side from the time I was diagnosed. They've all been cheering for me, each step of

the way. They are very special people."

The experience has changed her life. "After all the pain, I feel like I have learned what my purpose is in life," she says. "Some people I talk with who don't look after themselves always ask me: 'Angela, how did you get cancer and not us?' I don't look at getting breast cancer as getting the bad end of the stick in life. Instead, I see myself getting the illness to be a kick in the butt. My mission is to increase awareness about breast cancer and how women can detect it before it's too late."

And early detection through monthly breast self-exams and mammograms is the best way to beat the illness. Vecchio-Ozmon says it only takes a few minutes once a month for women to perform self-examinations. "I tell all women, especially young women, that it only take a few minutes to save your life."

Over the past year she's been out in the community raising awareness and funds for breast cancer research and education. In the summer of 1999, she organized "Put a Price on Your Head" at Saint Mary's, an event that raised over \$35,000. She was a keynote speaker for Titz & Glitz, and she is a spokesperson for the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation.

She is currently working with her other alma mater, Mount Saint Vincent University, as creator, producer and host of a television series, The Breast Health Show. She is hopeful that a national broadcaster will pick up the series and fund additional episodes. "If my message gets across to just one woman who finds a breast lump early enough to not require extensive treatments, my mission has been accomplished," she adds with a big smile.



Photo: Keith Vaughan

when I was negative and sick" she asks with a laugh? This wave of emotions clearly depicts the roller coaster ride this 34 year-old breast cancer survivor has been on over the last few years.

It's early morning and she has just finished her workout at the

Finding Peace In Africa

Whitman Plays Pivotal Role

Tantallon, Nova Scotia native Shelly Whitman graduated from Saint Mary's in 1993 with a BA in political science and was a member of the women's varsity soccer team. She continued her education at the University of Hull in England, where she earned an MA in Contemporary International Studies and then pursued a PhD in International Law and Human Rights, specializing in the area of the prevention and punishment of the crime of genocide.

She is currently a research analyst in the Office of the Facilitator for the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) Peace Process. The facilitator is the former president of Botswana, Sir Ketumile Masire. Whitman is now located in Botswana. Her job is primarily to conduct research and analysis on issues related to the war in the DRC that allow the facilitator's office to keep abreast of the latest issues to assist in decision making.

Africa's seven-nation war has President Kabila (representing the DRC government side), as well as Zimbabwe, Angola and Namibia pitted against a Congolese rebellion backed by Rwanda, Uganda and Burundi since August of '98. A cease-fire agreement was signed by all major players in July of '99 in Lusaka, but one main rebel group refuses to sign the agreement and war continues as a result. One of the key provisions of the Lusaka Agreement is the initiation of a Congolese National Dialogue intended to lead to a new political dispensation in the DRC. And it is the role of the facilitator to help bring the Congolese parties to the negotiating table for dialogue that will hopefully bring peace to the region.

In her work, Whitman travels throughout Africa and the world meeting with various governments and heads of state and international organizations. She adds that, "no matter where in the world I have worked or studied, I know that a great deal of who I am today has to be attributed to my time at Saint Mary's University."

Prior to this she worked with UNICEF at the UN headquarters in New York on the OAU (Organisation for African Unity) report on the Rwanda Genocide. President Masire was the chairman of this report, and Whitman was working for former Canadian Ambassador Stephen Lewis, who was an appointed panelist of the report. When the Office of the Facilitator was



Shelly Whitman with former president of Botswana Sir Ketumile Masire and currently Facilitator for the DRC peace process on board the Botswana Presidential Jet.

established Mr. Lewis recommended Whitman be part of the project.

She describes for fellow alumni the situation in the DRC and hopes that the international community will make a commitment to the African peace process and support regional efforts in doing so.

"Life in the DRC is extremely difficult. The Congolese people have never enjoyed democracy or responsible government and as a result their leaders have raped the riches of the country for over 30 years. The DRC is a beautiful country, filled with all the mineral resources God could give: cobalt, diamonds, gold and copper. However, these resources have been used to line the pockets of irresponsible leaders and not to benefit the people of the DRC.

Currently, food shortage, fuel shortage, and lack of medical care, all as a result of the conflict, have devastated the humanitarian situation. In the Eastern part of the Congo it is estimated that over 1.7 million people are unaccounted for due to malnutrition, disease and war. Human rights are regularly violated; women and children suffer the grossest violations of human rights.

However, because the people of the DRC have always struggled for survival they have a wonderful sense of humor and vivacity. Peace is so

difficult for many reasons, but largely the blame can be attributed to the international community for their lack of will to put serious time, effort and resources into putting an end to this war. All of the major powers of the world have their own interests at stake, and yet are unwilling to properly commit to saving the DRC. At the same time there are over 15 armed groups involved in the conflict (the country is bordered by nine countries all of which have a stake in this war and have their own internal problems), and everyone wants to have a piece of the pie.

The important question is not whether peace is attainable, but rather how can we let the 50 million people of the DRC, and Africa as a whole, suffer any longer?

The work we are doing is to try to bring peace to the DRC. To help the Congolese develop responsible institutions of government, to think of how to reconstruct society, the economy, the judicial system, the electoral system, to improve human rights, etc. It is easy to give up on peace, but we must persevere despite the difficulties, for "all it takes for evil to triumph is for a few good men to do nothing".

Sabbatical Yields Major Discovery in Ending Drug Addictions

By Paul Fitzgerald

Ask any person hooked on drugs what they want most in life and chances are they would wish for an end to their painful addiction. A discovery made by an alumnus means that some addicts may in fact have their wish come true.

"Talk about a successful sabbatical," laughs Dr. Singer. "I went to Australia to conduct intense research, but never dreamed I would stumble across such a finding. This could have a huge impact right across the world. Addiction to morphine and heroin has been a huge problem in society for years, and I am absolutely thrilled to know that this finding may in fact help to fix this social problem."

During his recent sabbatical, Dr. Rob Singer patented a new process that produces thebaine, a major opiate precursor to such drugs as Naltrexone. Naltrexone is used in the treatment of morphine, heroin, codeine, and even alcohol addiction. Morphine, heroin and codeine fall into the same drug family, known as opiates, and are all highly addictive. Millions around the world suffer from addiction to these powerful drugs, and quitting for many is next to impossible.

Dr. Singer graduated from Saint Mary's with an honors degree in chemistry in 1986.



He then went on to pursue graduate work at Simon Fraser University in British Columbia, and shortly after conducted a Post-Doctoral Fellow in Marburg, Germany while holding an Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellowship. Soon after receiving his PhD he became a full-time chemistry professor at Saint Mary's. Since then, Dr. Singer has become increasingly fascinated with research involving ionic liquids - a new

class of solvents that are recyclable and non-volatile and hence have growing popularity for use in "Green Chemistry".

While on sabbatical at Deakin University in Australia last year, he and a fellow chemist Dr. Peter Scammells put their organic chemistry research to the test. The two chemists discovered that simple oxidation of a derivative of codeine, a kissing cousin of morphine, could be performed in

unprecedented high yields in ionic liquid solvents to produce thebaine. Thebaine can be subsequently transformed into such useful drugs as naltrexone, naloxone, and buprenorphine that see wide use in treatment of pain and of morphine and heroin addicts.

When Glaxo Wellcome Australia, a pharmaceutical company that produces about 25 percent of the world's legal opiate needs, heard about their discovery, they told Dr. Singer and Dr. Scammells to patent the technology right away.

Dr. Singer says that the discovery could not have come at a better time. The aging population means more people are in the hospital relying on morphine to ease the pain from their sickness and heroin abuse has also been increasing in recent years. "The more people using morphine and heroin only means more addiction problems," he says. "Big pharmaceutical companies such as Glaxo Wellcome and others literally need several tons of this stuff every year, and natural sources cannot meet worldwide demand." he says. "Efficient and economical industrial production thebaine to meet this demand could be a major break through that results in the cheap availability of otherwise expensive drugs used to fight addiction."

SMU Alumni Active in HRM Politics

The recently elected Halifax Regional Municipality Council exemplifies Saint Mary's dedication to community outreach when you consider that seven of the council members hold at least one degree or certificate from Saint Mary's.

Leading the list is Peter Kelly, MBA '96, who was elected overwhelmingly as mayor during the October election. Long serving Woodlawn (D-7) councilor

Condo Sardo, MA'78 has served on municipal council for 21 years including a term as deputy mayor. Sue Uteck, BA '86, represents the Northwest Arm-South End (D-13). Dawn Sloan, the new Halifax Downtown (D-12) councilor is currently completing Saint Mary's Information Technology Solutions Certificate.

Len Goucher, Bedford (D-21) who played a key role in the election of Mayor Kelly, received his

Bachelor of Commerce degree in 1971. John Cunningham, BA'65, BEd'66, Dartmouth Centre (D-10) who had a successful broadcasting career is a 13-year veteran of municipal councils. Cunningham has also served as deputy mayor of HRM.

Harry McInroy, BA'69, representing Eastern Passage-Cole Harbour South (D-5) is in his 19th year of municipal politics. Keith Colwell, a cabinet Minister and former

MLA for Eastern Shore, attended Saint Mary's University and now represents Preston-Porters Lake (D-3) on HRM Council.

There are also numerous alumni serving in the provincial government including several deputy ministers as well as Finance Minister Neil Leblanc, BComm'77, and Liberal Leader Wayne Gaudet, BEd'78.

Alumni Association Launches New Communication System



Alumni Secretary Tanya Landry and Alumni Officer Betty-Jean Frenette, Assc'92, get ready to launch the new alumni communication system - APEC.

In keeping with the tradition of promoting Saint Mary's and providing a voice for all alumni, the Saint Mary's Alumni Association is pleased to announce a new and innovative communication system. The new system known as Alumni Personalized E-mail Connection (or APEC) is geared towards member retention and acquisition using the latest Internet technology.

The launch of the new VIP email service means Saint Mary's

alumni can now receive personalized information on campus activities and general university news of interest delivered directly to their email basket.

APEC will enhance the existing alumni support services that have been the cornerstone of the association's success. Now students and graduates can visit the alumni association website and specifically indicate what type of information they would like to receive. Students and graduates will be able to update,

edit, and delete the types of information they receive on an ongoing basis.

The alumni association initiated the new system because it saw the potential technology offered in strengthening relationships with alumni community. "We believe that personalized e-mail messaging will open a communication channel that will allow our staff to stay in closer, more personal contact with alumni, as well as assist us in locating former graduates" says Barry Gallant, director of alumni at Saint Mary's.

"We believe that today and in the future, for any association to be successful they need to leverage the power of information within their organizations to better serve and retain existing members, and acquire new ones. A key objective of the association was to be able to not just segment but to "individualize" pertinent information and to be able to create and market alumni services, customized for the individual, based on their preferences. To put it another way, the

association wanted to bring the right service to the right person, through the right channel at the right time."

In a world of proliferating claims on people's attention, current and past students will continue to want, more than ever, the sense that Saint Mary's has a "heart and soul", and that it understands them well enough to offer them consistently what they really need. That, after all, is the foundation of a meaningful relationship," he says.

In addition to our permission based marketing strategy, the association is reconstructing their existing website. The new and enhanced website will be designed completely dynamically. This innovative type of website construction allows staff ability to regularly add, edit and refresh the sites content.

The website and APEC are in their final stages of development and will be available to all Saint Mary's students and alumni shortly.

Best Seat In The House

Alumnus David Flemming, BA'66 and former chair of the Saint Mary's Hall of Fame committee, had perhaps the most envious viewing spot of all Tall Ship watchers in Halifax last July. As commentator for CBC Newsworld's coverage of Tall Ships 2000 he didn't miss a thing. Flemming shared the spotlight with CBC's own Peter Mansbridge.

"It was great fun, especially to work with a real pro like Peter Mansbridge and a great way to say farewell to Halifax," says Flemming. Three days after the Tall Ships event Flemming moved to Ottawa.

In addition to graduating with an honors degree in history, Flemming was a member of the second last graduating class of Saint Mary's University High School in June 1962. Since his retirement as director of the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic in 1997, he had been working as a heritage consultant, specializing in projects relating to marine

and general Nova Scotia history.

His role as Tall Ships commentator involved providing background information on the visiting ships and focusing on Canada and Nova Scotia's rich nautical heritage. "What surprised me the most about the whole thing was how relaxed I felt during the three and a half hours of coverage ... I was worried that I would not have enough information to fill the time allotted, however when it was over, I realized that I could have easily gone on for another two hours."

The coverage wrapped up at about 1:30PM on July 24 and two hours later the movers arrived to relocate the Flemming family to Ottawa. His wife Teresa had taken a job in Ottawa with the Department of Canadian Heritage. Sons Matthew and Michael remained in Halifax with their father to finish the school year and "The Tall Ships show was a great way to say au revoir to Halifax and Nova Scotia."



Peter Mansbridge and David Flemming on the Halifax waterfront.

Fall Sports Highlights

Field Hockey

Saint Mary's women's field hockey team won their first conference title since 1988, ending an 11-year reign by UNB's Varsity Reds. After winning the AUS championship, the team headed to the CIAU finals in Victoria, BC in November. They faced top teams from the University of Victoria, University of British Columbia and York University. There were three AUS All-Stars on this year's team: Alyson Jenkins, Tara O'Reilly, also first team All-Canadian, and Lisa Bonin, 2nd team All-Canadian.

Huskies Football Team

The Huskies dominated the Conference All-Star list of the Atlantic Universities Football Conference, taking 16 of 29 spots. The team finished with an 8-0 record this regular season before a heartbreaking loss at the 39th Atlantic Bowl, held at Huskies Stadium to the Canada West Champion, the Regina Rams. The team swept all the major Atlantic University Sport Football awards. Fourth year quarterback, Ryan Jones won Most Valuable Player. Jones, led the Conference Champions record and finished the regular season ranked second in the CIAU. Coach Steve Sumarah won Volunteer Coach of the Year, defensive end Kyl Morrison won Lineman of the Year, linebacker Matt Demers won Sport Defensive Player of the Year, and Bruce Nelson was named Rookie of the Year.

Men's Soccer

Saint Mary's men's soccer team won the AUS title for the first time since 1990. The CIAU men's soccer championships were held at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ont, in November. The team won their game against the host team, McMaster 5-0 and then went on to win over McGill, considered the top team in Canada, 3-1. Saint Mary's lost to Laurier on a penalty kick shoot-out in the national final. Three members of the team were named by the CIAU as all-tournament: Mesut Murt, Matt Boulton, and Tim Mullen, also 2nd Team All-Canadian. Jay Robinson was 1st team All-Canadian.

Head of Huskies' Hockey to Coach Team Canada

Huskies' Hockey Coach Trevor Stienburg will coach Team Canada in the World University Games, a competition that is held every two years. The World University Games will be held February 7 to 17 in Zakopane, Poland. For the first time ever, Atlantic University Sport will be the sole supplier of players, coaches and support staff for the Team Canada hockey entry.

"As a coach, this is a very unique opportunity and I am honored to be selected to lead Team Canada in our quest to bring the gold medal back to Canada," says Stienburg. In 1999, Canada won a silver medal in Slovakia with a team comprised of players from the Ontario University Association.

Stienburg is in his 4th season as head coach at Saint Mary's. For two consecutive years, Stienburg was selected as the AUAA Coach of the Year he was also selected as the CIAU Coach of the Year. Originally from Moscow, Ontario, Stienburg played eight years of professional hockey in the AHL and NHL.

Cantor Wins His Third Grey Cup Victory

Former Huskies football player and All-Canadian Noah Cantor, captured his third Grey Cup ring when his BC Lions defeated the Montreal Alouettes in a 28-26 victory in Calgary this past November.

The 6'4", 264 pound, defensive tackle, has been in the CFL for the past six years and with the BC Lions for the past three. The 29 year-old, Ottawa native was a member of the Huskies' football team during the early 90s but never won a Vanier Cup. But he does have three Grey Cup victories. He won in 1996 and 1997 with the Toronto Argos.

With an 8-10, one OT loss record this season, the Lions were considered the underdogs. But they managed to win their second Grey Cup in six years as they foiled a potential tying two-point conversion attempt with 44 seconds to play

Bob Dauphinee Leaves Legacy

Last May, Saint Mary's lost a very dear friend when Bob Dauphinee passed away but his legacy will live on for many years to come at the University.

In 1960, Dauphinee graduated from Saint Mary's with a Bachelor of Commerce. The Halifax native was captain of the Huskies' hockey team where he was a scoring sensation. He also played football at Saint Mary's and served as assistant coach in his final year. An avid and accomplished curler, golfer and sailor, he continued to support Saint Mary's athletics over the years and was a regular at hockey games.



Dauphinee owned Eagle Security and was a partner in Active Working Group, a diversified company specializing in printing, microfilming, engineering supplies, computers and real estate. In 1997, Saint Mary's established Bob Dauphinee Award which is given annually to the player who best combines offensive talents with sportsmanship.

The entire university community is extremely grateful to Dauphinee for the very generous legacy he provided in his will. The \$2 million gift will go towards student-athlete scholarships and the construction of a new arena facility on campus.

The Latest Scores and More

Find game times and keep up to date on how your favorite Saint Mary's Huskies' teams are doing by visiting the Saint Mary's website for regular updates at: www.stmarys.ca

Joe Namath Football Camp Celebrates 30 Years -

Former Huskies Football Player is Co-founder

By Penny Murdock

At the age of 19, John Schneider summoned the courage to cross the Canadian-US border and try his luck at Canadian football. His destination was Saint Mary's and it was former Huskies' football coach and Athletic Director Bob Hayes who convinced him to take the leap of faith.

The Fairfield, Connecticut native remembers arriving in Halifax without having seen the school or city and feeling a bit scared. "I was met by Bob Hayes, Father Hennessey and some of the other players and immediately felt that I would come to enjoy my experience at SMU," says Schneider. And he did. In 1965, he graduated with a Bachelor of Commerce, majoring in economics.

Over 35 years later, football is still in his blood. But these days football finds him in a different capacity - as mentor and coach, as opposed to player.

He is co-founder of the Joe Namath Camp, a football camp held during the summer months for boys ages 8-18. This summer will mark the 30th anniversary of the camp and it will be held at Nichols College in Dudley, MA (where it has been held for the past five years). Previous locations were in Hamden, CT, and Wilmington, VT.

Joe Namath and Schneider have been friends since John Dockery, a former teammate of Namath's, introduced the two. Dockery and Schneider approached Namath with the idea for the camp and he agreed to lend his time and name to the program. Namath was playing for the New York Jets at the time and the plan was to continue with the camp until Namath's playing career was over - "that was 1976. As it was such an exciting experience for all involved, we decided to keep it going."

Schneider and Dockery are the camp's directors. The camp focuses on teaching player technique. College, high school, youth coaches, as well as many NFL players serve as camp instructors. NFL camp instructors have included football greats like Phil Simms, Lawrence Taylor, Mean Joe Green, Terry Bradshaw and Larry Csonka, to name a few. New Orleans Saints head coach Jim Haslett was a counselor at one time, as well as Saint Mary's Athletics Director Larry Uteck (former Huskies' football coach).



John Dockery, John Schneider, BComm'65, and Joe Namath celebrate the anniversary of a football summer camp for boys they began together 30 years ago.

Former CFL player Doug Flutie will be at this year's camp, along with many current NFL players. About 400 boys are expected to take part coming from all over the United States and beyond.

"Through the camp I have developed many friendships with the players and coaches. The camp has a strong football network throughout the US," says Schneider. "We have also been able to assist many campers in their future endeavors in both education and the workplace. This may involve personal contacts, letters of recommendation, financial assistance or simply a consultation with the individual."

One of the players they are currently assisting is Jamaal Edwards from Hamden, CT. Jamaal plays football with prosthetic legs and is applying to several colleges and will either be a player or assist with the football team. "He was most impressive at camp and

received the Outstanding Camper award last summer - it was quite an emotional moment for the more than 700 people that were at the awards ceremony.

Schneider draws on his own football career in his role as a camp director. He no doubt has helped instill in them a love of and respect for the sport; a love that was strengthened by his days playing on the Huskies' squad. After graduating from Saint Mary's, Schneider played in several American football leagues and coached at the semi-professional level. He returned to Saint Mary's in the early 70s for a short coaching stint with then coach Al Keith.

For the past 25 years, he and his wife Mary Ellen have lived in Newton, CT. They have three children, Mary Kate, Dan and Anne. During this time, he has worked in the Contracts Department of Perkin-Elmer located in Danbury, CT. The company is now part of BF Goodrich, and they are primarily involved in the development of the Elector Space Telescope for many US and international customers. NASA's Hubble Space Telescope was fabricated in Schneider's facility. He says it has been exciting supporting this program from the early design phases through to its current orbiting operations.

He still follows Huskies' football, mostly through the Maroon & White, and is impressed by the program. "As Larry Uteck coached at our camp for several years, I was particularly impressed with the success of his teams."

Where Are They Now?

With Saint Mary's 200th anniversary coming up in less than a year now, we thought it would be neat to check up on the whereabouts of some of our athletes from the past. It was 20 years ago this spring, that Dianne Chiasson was chosen Female Athlete of the Year. From Auburn, NS, she had already received Rookie of the Year Athlete of the Year three years in a row, by the time she graduated and was once again named the Saint Mary's Athletics highest honors.

Chiasson played both basketball and field hockey during her four years at Saint Mary's and was selected to the All-Conference field hockey team once and the basketball team twice. She was a member of the All-Canadian field hockey and basketball teams. She led the league in scoring in field hockey, and was the leading rebounder and scorer in basketball. In addition to sports, she excelled in academics as well, receiving an academic scholarship for all four years she was at Saint Mary's and she was interviewed for a Rhodes scholarship. These days, she resides in Halifax and for the past 14 years she has worked in the

Auditor General's Office as an accountant. She graduated from Saint Mary's with a BA in



Dianne Chiasson, Female Athlete of the Year 1980-81

political science and relocated to Calgary where she worked for an oil and gas company. The company was small with only a president, a vice-president and herself for employees. She describes herself as jack-of-all-trades in this company. "Whatever they didn't do, was given to me." Eventually, a larger company bought out her company and she returned to Halifax.

As for sports, she recently began running marathons. Just

last year she took a running clinic and competed in her first marathon in Ottawa and completed the 26.2 miles in her target time of three hours, 37 minutes. "It was a tough run, but I made it."

Last fall, she returned to her Valley roots and competed in the Valley Harvest Marathon where she was able to cut ten minutes off her Ottawa time and as a result qualify for the famous Boston Marathon this spring. She trains five days a week with eight to ten kilometer runs and a longer one on Sunday.

She recalls fondly her time at Saint Mary's. "We (the team) went on great road trips to Boston and New York," she says. She runs into her former basketball and field hockey coach Kathy Mullane at the Tower where she plays squash. "It was great seeing Kathy inducted in to (Saint Mary's) Hall of Fame last fall," where she also had the opportunity to catch up with some of her old teammates.

The highlight of her athletic career at Saint Mary's was winning the Atlantic Division title in Field Hockey in 1977. "We raised money and went to England to play. They have very strong teams there. We sold a lot of chocolate bars to get there."



Fall 2000, Dianne Chiasson completes the Valley Harvest Marathon and her time qualifies her for the Boston Marathon this spring. Good luck Dianne!

SMU Alumni Travel Program Ireland 2002



In celebration of the 200th anniversary of Saint Mary's University in 2002, the Alumni Association invites you to join an intimate and unique tour of Ireland. The tour will be led by Dr. Cyril Byrne of Saint Mary's University (Chair of Irish Studies).

Highlights include visits to Ennis, where you will see Bunratty Castle and discover the Ireland of the Medieval era. Travel west to Galway and visit Galway Bay,



Galway Cathedral, Kellarney and the scenic splendor of the Dingle Peninsula, tour the Ring of Kerry, visit Blarney Castle and kiss the famous stone, stroll around Cork City. Visit famous Waterford and tour the

Waterford Crystal Factory. Discover the Medieval town of Kil Kenny. Visit county Wicklow, considered the Garden of Ireland. Explore the Book

of Kells and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Say farewell with a final cabaret and dinner show!

The tour is provided by Aquila Tours, a leading specialist in educational travel.

Tentative Dates:
May 25 - June 7, 2002

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Putting It on Ice: Hockey in Historical and Contemporary Perspective

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Now is your chance! We invite you to join Montreal Canadiens' hockey legend, Hall of Fame inductee, 10 time Stanley Cup winner, and honorary chairperson, Mr. Jean Beliveau, and our hard-working conference team as we go about

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Jean Beliveau

Honorary Co-captains

John Paris

Stacey Wilson

(Others to be confirmed)

Team

Colin Howell

Sandi Galloway

Bob Warner

Geoff Howell

Mike Vance

Stephen Coutts

Allan Turowetz

Chris Fletcher

Peter Twohig

Barry Gallant

Putting it on Ice: Hockey in Historical and Contemporary Perspective

This conference, hosted by the Gorsebrook Research Institute at Saint Mary's University, will bring together hockey people, academics interested in the study of sport and society, as well as volunteers, parents and children involved in hockey at the community level. A number of issues require serious analysis. Among them are questions related to community identity and the globalization of the game, gender and race issues, ethics and fair play, hockey injuries and sport medicine, hockey and education.

The first major conference of its kind will be held at the Westin Nova Scotian Hotel in Halifax from October 3-7, 2001. Already we have commitments from 100 speakers from across North America, and from representatives of the international hockey community in Sweden, Finland and the Netherlands, with more to come.

Your support is valuable to us. Assist us in sponsoring luncheons, autograph signings, special high profile public events, and we will insure your organization's prominence in our advertising and promotional materials.

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The *Checking Line* - \$500 - your firm's name on the conference program and on related publicity

Become a *conference booster*! Personal donations in any amount are encouraged and will be greatly appreciated. A separate list of individual donors will be made available to everyone attending the conference.

For further information, contact the Gorsebrook Research Institute at Saint Mary's University by phone (902) 420-5668, by fax (902) 496-8135, or email gorsebrook@stmarys.ca

Check the schedule

<http://www.stmarys.ca/administration/gorsebrook/welcome.htm>



Gorsebrook Research Institute
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Saint Mary's
University

Call For Nominations

Distinguished Community Service Award

This award is presented by the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association the individual who has made an outstanding achievement and/or contribution in one of the following areas:

- (a) his/her own community
- (b) to Saint Mary's University
- (c) his/her own discipline

Past Recipients Include:

Senator Richard Donahoe, 1984
Edmund Morris, 1985
Harold Beazley, 1986
Elizabeth Chard, 1988
Paul Gouett, 1989
Ronald Downie, 1990
J. Philip Vaughan, 1991
Karen Henderson, 1992
Fred MacGillivray, 1993
Terry Kelly, 1995
Joseph Bishara, 1997
Paul Goodman, 1998
Terry Donahoe, 1999
Dr. & Mrs. Kenneth Ozmon, 2000

Deadline for submission is April 14, 2001. Please submit a letter of recommendation and a biography for the nominee to:

Awards Committee
Saint Mary's University Alumni Association
867 Robie Street
Halifax, NS B3H 3C3
Tel.: (902) 420-5420 or Fax: (902) 420-5140

Father William A. Stewart Medal for Teaching

Reverend William A. Stewart, S.J., Medal for Excellence in Teaching was established in 1983 by the Alumni Association and the Saint Mary's University Faculty Union. A gold medal and monetary award is presented to the winner of this highly respected award.

Previous Winners Include:

1983 - David Hope	1992 - Frank Phillips
1984 - Dermot Mulrooney	1993 - Janet Baker
1985 - David Perrier	1994 - Cyril Byrne
1986 - John Young	1995 - Nicola Young
1987 - Edward McBride	1996 - Ronald Landes
1988 - Jack Ginsburg	1997 - Paul Muir
1989 - Peter March	1998 - David Cone
1990 - Andrew Seaman	1999 - Robert Singer
1991 - Philip Street	2000 - Eric Lee

Each Nomination Must:

1. be supported by the names of at least ten (10) people from among faculty, alumni or students
2. include a statement of 100 words in support of the nomination
3. include the names of two references which consists of a faculty member and a current or former student

The award is open to faculty members who have completed at least five (5) years of teaching service at Saint Mary's University.

All Nominations must be received by the Awards Committee no later than March 30, 2001.

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Associate Membership

Associate Membership to the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association is given to those individuals who have rendered significant service to Saint Mary's University and are not alumni of the University.

All nominations must be approved by the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association Executive. Successful candidates shall be announced at the Annual General Meeting in June, 2000.

Previous Recipients Include:

Owen Carrigan	Chris Larsen	Thomas A. Sweet
Elizabeth A. Chard	Jean Larsen	Larry Uteck
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Verdon Creighton	Dermot L. Mulrooney	Ann M. White
Ralph Curran	Guy L. Noel	Doug Wright
Paul Dixon	Kenneth L. Ozmon	Luigi Zavarella
Colin Dodds	Elizabeth A. Ozmon	Mary Lou Gomes
Frank P. Dougherty	Mary Sun	Nicola Young

Deadline for submissions is March 30, 2001

Nominations for Associate Membership along with supporting documentation must be sent to:

Awards Committee
Saint Mary's University Alumni Association
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Halifax, NS B3H 3C3
Tel.: (902) 420-5420 or Fax: (902) 420-5140

Alumni Volunteer Awards

The Alumni Volunteer Award(s) is granted when merited to individuals who have provided outstanding service to the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association on a voluntary basis. The individuals recognized with the Alumni Association Award are inspirations to Saint Mary's University and its Alumni Association.

The Award(s) are presented annually at the Annual General Meeting, held in June.

Deadline for submission is March 30, 2001

Nominations and supporting documentation must be sent to:

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Award Nomination Form

Select the award for which you wish to nominate this person:

Distinguished Community
Service Award

Father William A. Stewart, S.J.
Medal for Teaching

Associate Membership

Alumni Volunteer Award

Nominee Information

Please complete and return with supporting documentation.

Nominee's Name _____

Title _____

Business Address _____

Postal Code _____

Business Telephone _____

Home Address _____

Postal Code _____

Home Telephone _____

SMU Alumnus? _____ Year & Degree _____

Nominator Information

Nomination Submitted by _____

Address _____

Postal Code _____

Telephone (Business) _____ (Home) _____

President's Note



"We looked after one another, we cared about each other, we loved Saint Mary's."

Words that make an alumni president's heart sing. To paraphrase Roger LeFrank's, class of 1950, sentiments from a group of people who typify true Santamarians, living proof that an educa-

tion can be and should be so much more than marks on a piece of paper.

These moving words from the Golden Grad luncheon during homecoming makes Saint Mary's "tag line" - where tradition meets the future - a sentiment that is like a good education, more than words on paper, it is an axiom that we can all live by, honoring the tradition that join us all as Santamarians.

As your alumni president, I have the great fortune of meeting so many alumni from all walks of life. Many of these people have the same concerns; always about the future, size, debt, etc, of their alma mater. They trust the university for its stewardship of its educational programs. It is the other segments of university life that they want to preserve. It always amazes me how strongly they feel. Saint Mary's is an anchor in their memory, a comfortable place that they don't want to change. I tell them the University is always willing to welcome them back. I encourage them, inform them that their input is needed.

To that end, please consider the nomination section of this edition of the Maroon and White. The alumni executive needs representation from all segments of our University's alumni. The future of a strong alumni relies on the input of people who are willing to give something back to their alma mater. Take it from me, it is as rewarding as it is challenging.

On Nov. 11, as many of us are enjoying a long weekend, a second year student of Saint Mary's, Thomas Whitty, was killed in a single car crash on the Cabot Trail near his home in Ingonish Beach. I have had the great honor and privilege to have known Thomas, a truly good person, who touched everyone he met with his kindness. A gentle spirit whose time came too early.

He often talked to me of the value of an education, how he wanted to be a teacher. He'll never know how much his spirit has taught me. His determination to accept life for what it is and to always see the good has left a mark on me that I will never forget.

This year, I was present at the Boston tree lighting of a (49 ft.) Nova Scotia Fir from Petite Rivere. A traditional gift to the people of Massachusetts from Nova Scotia for their kindness during the horrific events of the Halifax Explosion.

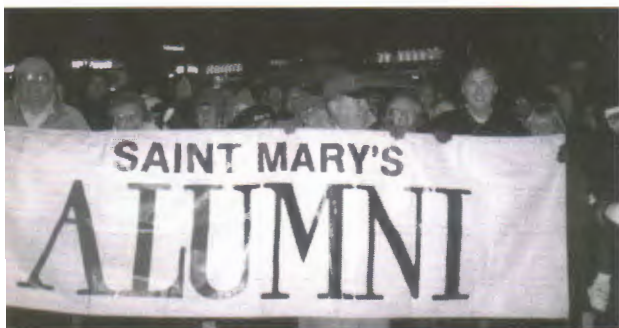
Somewhere in our family picture album is a photograph of my father then six, wrapped in a Red Cross of Massachusetts blanket as the explosion destroyed their home and belongings. That link with Boston is one all Halagonians in particular should share. As part of our alumni network we have strong ties to our New England Branches. During the event every year we have an alumni gathering.

These alumni always turn out in force to share memories and concerns for the future. Which brings me back to the beginning of this column. We looked after one another, we cared about each other...

There's a message we all can aspire to.

Tim Westhaver, Saint Mary's Alumni Association President

New England Alumni Celebrate The Season



Alumni on parade to the Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Prudential Centre.

Alumni and friends of Saint Mary's University met on Saturday, December 3, 2000 in Boston, Massachusetts to celebrate the beginning of the holiday season with the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony. The event was held at the Bar Code Restaurant on Boylston Street where alumni and friends were welcomed by Tim Westhaver, alumni association president, Barry Gallant, director of alumni, and Ron Gomes, BComm'65 and Mary Lou Gomes, Assc'00, from the New England Branch. Following a reception, alumni were invited to attend the Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Prudential Centre, complete with a forty foot Christmas Tree, donated by the Province of Nova Scotia to the people of Boston. A post-Tree Lighting dinner for alumni and friends allowed plenty of time for conversation, drinks and door prizes.

Mark Your Calendars Florida Alumni!

What:
All Canadian Universities
Alumni Event

When:
Saturday, March 10, 2001

Time:
6:00 pm

Where:
The Biltmore Hotel,
Coral Gables, Florida

Bermuda Alumni Help Recruit

Greg Ferguson, director of Admissions and Centre for New Students, represented Saint Mary's in Bermuda this past October promoting the University. The recruitment event provided Ferguson with an opportunity to meet with prospective students and to strengthen University ties with local school officials. Saint Mary's continues to attract a significant number of Bermudian students to the campus each year, with 52 registered students currently, representing one of the largest enrollments of Bermudian students in the Atlantic Region.

A highlight of the trip was the Parent and Alumni Reception, held at the Hamilton Princess Hotel. Marie Joel, local alumni president, played an invaluable role in ensuring that the event was a success. About 50 alumni and parents of the currently registered students attended.



Alisa DeSilva, BA'97, Kerry Judd-Todd, BComm'97, Richard Todd, Marie Joell, BA'88, Mark Nash, BComm'97, Paul Boorman, BA'77, Greg Ferguson, BComm'74, Jim Kaulback, MBA'90, Oneia Trott, BComm'98, Sherieka Gomes, BComm'99, Jennifer Silva, BComm'99, Jeffrey Abbott, BComm'99

Ferguson provided an update on the appointment of Dr. J. Colin Dodds as president and other news items of interest. He also informed them of the University's recent purchase of the building located at 980 Tower Road and that it is the new home for the Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL) Centre.

Parents watched a video, prepared with the assistance of public affairs officer Paul Fitzgerald. The video contained a message from Dr. Dodds as well as brief comments from a significant number of first year students. The students indicated that they were enjoying their time at the University and many appealed to their parents to send money! A number of parents, as well as alumni, requested a copy of the tape. All agreed that the Parent and Alumni Event was a success.

Alumni Gather In Bahamas

This past November, Jim Dunn, assistant director of admissions, represented Saint Mary's in the Bahamas at the annual College and Student Fairs. The Fairs were held in Nassau and Freeport. During the Nassau trip, Jim and eight alumni got together for dinner at the Sheraton Grand, Paradise Island.



Attending the dinner were: Daphne Stuart, Gina Williams, Shakira Rolle, Samantha Watson, Cleora Farquharson, Marjorie Scavella, Kenris Longley and Frank Smith. Presently there are 33 Bahamians studying at Saint Mary's.

St. Lucia Santamarians Meet



Baldwin Taylor, BComm'95, Lurline Cumberbatch, BComm'98, Liota Charlemagne, BComm'96, Keigan Cox, BA'96, Shermaine Glasgow, BSc'96, Barry Gallant, BA'88, BEd'89, MEd'93, Wayne Theobalds, BComm'97.

Alumni from St. Lucia gathered together at the Eagles Inn Restaurant in Castries, St Lucia on Friday, November 3, 2000 for this year's reunion. Graduates enjoyed reminiscing and an evening complete with great food, fun and friendships.

Greetings From Barbados

Nico's Restaurant was the place to be on Wednesday, November 8 as alumni from Barbados met with Alumni Director Barry Gallant. The evening included an update on the latest news from Saint Mary's and a wonderful opportunity for alumni to mix and mingle. Special thanks to Nicole Brome, BComm'94, and Brian Robinson, BComm'83, for coordinating the event.

Congratulations to Anna Layne, BComm'98, on her marriage in December 2000 and to Peter Sandiford, DipEng'92, on his recent nuptials.

Kavita Sandiford, Peter Sandiford, DipEng'92, Barry Skinner, BComm'90, Arlene Fong, BComm'90, Barry Gallant, BA'88, BEd'89, MEd'93, Anna Layne, BComm'98, Nicole Brome, BComm'94, Brian Robinson, BComm'83.



Toronto Alumni Golf Tourney 2000

By Lisa Newton

It was a great day for a friendly game of golf. Toronto alumni headed out to the links on Sunday, August 20th for the Third Annual Toronto SMU-Alumni Golf Tourney. Thirty-six golfers...some playing a full 18 holes, others playing four holes and socializing the remaining 14...had a great day.

Once everyone made their way back to the clubhouse, we all settled in for a round of prizes and dinner. There were prizes for the first, second and third place, longest drive and closest to the pin, as well as best dressed. Many were confident that they would walk away with the best-dressed award, Don

Keleher, DipEng'69, BSc'70, Mark Preyma, BA'97, and Scott Purdie, BA'95, included. However, Tom Riley, BComm'95, BA'96, was voted the day's best-dressed player. Surely he will face some fashion competition next year.

First place trophies went to Team One, Bill Gunter, Bill Purcell, Basil Voinou and Fred Laphen, Assc '87. We look forward to them defending their title next year.

A special thanks goes out to Greg Mackan. Greg reminded us all of the importance of friendship as he passed out #34 stickers to wear so that we could keep or dear friend, James MacPherson, in our thoughts.

MBA Alumni Assistance Required

On Wednesday, November 1st, I had the pleasure of meeting 30 MBA alumni who now live and work in the greater Toronto area. We met at a downtown pub after work and had a fun time getting reacquainted and making new friends. I saw a lot of business cards being passed around which is great networking. There were graduates from the 80s, 90s and even a few freshly minted in the year 2000. See if you recognize these names (my apologies to those I have left out): Fadey Abi Daoud, David Cluff, Jeff Corcoran, Marcela Cortes, Tim Dolan, Steve Foerster, Amatus Fonge, Gavin Grennan, Robert Harris, Brian Hutchison, Victor Leung, Rania and Sean Llewellyn, Tim MacGillivray, Jacklyn and Shawn Mercer, Nicole Methven, Michael O'Connor, Alex and Luciana Oliveira, Rozmin Patel, Jason Prole, Paul Reddick, Lisa

Stevenson, Tom Sullivan, and Eric Thoms.

When I asked if I could pass their names on to current MBA students embarking on their job searches, everyone was enthusiastic and wanted to help. Which brings me to my big question - are you interested in supporting current MBA students in their job search? Would you be willing to act as a mentor to students who are inquiring about job opportunities in your company or industry? If so, I'd love to hear from you. Please drop me a line at mba@stmarys.ca. Every year we have a great deal of talent in our graduating class. If you would like to know what we're doing in the MBA Program these days, please check out our website: <http://www.stmarys.ca/mba>

- Jennifer Johnson,
MBA program manager



Luciana Oliveira, MBA'00, Alex Oliveira, Gavin Grennan, BA'83, BComm'86, MBA'86

Trinidad Alumni Meet

Saint Mary's graduates and spouses attended an alumni gathering in Port of Spain, Trinidad, on November 11, 2000. The evening provided a wonderful opportunity to meet with fellow Santamarians and enjoy an evening of fine dining and friendship. Special thanks to Lucille and Roger Salloum for their hospitality and to Guido Kelly from Hamilton, Ontario, for attending the event.



Photo: John Archer, DipEng'67, BSc'68, Christine Warrington, Roger Salloum, BComm'94, Guido Kelly, BSc '70, DipEng'70, Lucille Salloum, BComm'90, Darlene Greeley, Barry Gallant, BA'88, BEd'89, MEd'93, Dave Horsham, DipEng'74, Mrs. Roger Henderson, Roger Henderson, BA'64, Mrs Stuart Henderson, Stuart Henderson, BA'68, Patrick Flook, BComm'85, Robert Lim Choi, BComm'98, Christian Tom-Yew, BComm'96.

Help Recruit Internationally

The International Activities Office at Saint Mary's University is requesting assistance of alumni in recruiting students internationally. Should you be interested in volunteering, please contact Kemale Pinar, Project Manager, International Activities Office, Saint Mary's University.

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Fax: (902) 420-5530
Email: kemale.pinar@stmarys.ca

HOMECOMING 2000

Highlights

Alumni and friends came back to campus from across Canada and around the world to celebrate Homecoming 2000 from October 15-17.

The festivities began with the increasingly popular Golden Grad Luncheon, honoring the class of 1950 hosted by Dr. J. Colin & Carol Dodds. The highlight of the luncheon was the telling of humorous stories by members of the class of 1950 reminiscing about their days at Saint Mary's.

Friday evening brought about the annual Alumni Men's Basketball Game followed by the opening reception attended by over 200 alumni. Saturday, October 16 began with the Saint Mary's Sport Hall of Fame Induction. This year's inductees were Roy Clements, Kathy Mullane and Mickey Fox. Other events on Saturday included the EMBA reunion brunch, alumni pre-game warm-up party at the Gorsebrook Lounge, family fun for the kiddies with the SMU Ambassadors (student alumni association), and of course, the Homecoming football game (SMU vs. St FX).

After the game, alumni and friends gathered for refreshments and entertainment at the post game gathering in The Tower. Saturday events concluded with the SMU Hockey Huskies taking on St. FX. On Sunday, October 15th activities included "Meet the New President's Brunch" with Dr. Dodds and Carol Dodds, held in the Soby Building.

Rounding off the weekend of events were women and men's soccer games. As always, the public affairs paparazzi were out capturing the highlights of the weekend on film and we have included a few of those fine moments.

Thanks for the Memories - Saint Mary's University Alumni Association



Alumni Association President Tim Westhaver takes part in the ceremonial kick-off at Homecoming 2000 football game. He is accompanied by David Gray, BComm'75, the Honorable Jane Purves, NS Minister of Education, and Saint Mary's President Dr. J. Colin Dodds.



Roger LeFrank, BA'50 and Jack Hallisey, BSc'50



Homecoming 2000 - opening reception: Hugh MacDonald, Bill Bridgeo and Charles Reardon, DipEng'46



Ed Murphy, BComm'50, Shirley Murphy, Roger LeFrank, BA'50, Jack Hallisey, BSc'50, Dennis Biggs, BComm'50, Theresa Driscoll and Al Driscoll, BComm'49



President Dodds does the ceremonial puck drop at the Homecoming 2000 Hockey Game.



Alumni Basketball Team



SMU Sport Hall of Fame Inductees: Roy Clements, Assc'74, Kathy Mullane, MBA'89, Assc'75 and Mickey Fox, BA'76, BEd'77.



Edited by
Betty-Jean Frenette, Asse'92
Alumna Officer

Snippets

'46
Frank "Tusker" O'Neil, DipEng, recently visited the Jesuit Retirement House in Pickering, Ontario to see his brother Neville O'Neil, S.J., DipEng'34. While there he met Father Stewart and Father Malone who asked to say hello to all at Saint Mary's.

'54
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Chris E. Jones, BComm
Robert Leddy, BA

'55
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
James M. MacCaffrey, BSc, DipEng

'56
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Yamil Kuri, DipEng
Flora M MacIsaac, BA

'63
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
William K. Bertch, BA, BEd'64

'64
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Chun Yin Chong, BSc

Roger Henderson, BA, is corporate manager sales and marketing of Scotiabank Trinidad and Tobago Ltd. He recently handed over a cheque for \$15,000 to David Farrell, president of the Trinidad and Tobago Table Tennis Association. The money will be used to offset expenses in this year's table tennis tournament at the Jean Pierre Complex, Trinidad.

'65
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Leslie Fenty, BA

'68
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Manuel Varela, BComm
Anthony G. Quick, BA
Paul D. Wayland, BComm

'70
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Juan A. MacPhail, BA

D.J. (Donn) Peters, DipEng, BSc, is president and chief executive officer for South-East Health Care, Moncton, New Brunswick.

'71
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Douglas Livingstone, BA
Gregory L. McNeill, BA

'72
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Mary P. Moran, BA

'73
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Frank L. Dixon, BA, BEd'74
Barry W. Rutledge, BComm
Leslie M. Clare, BSc
Douglas J. Dixon, BA
Brian K. Holland, BComm
John Kennah, BSc
Evelyn Robinson, BA
Joanne Beaton, BEd
Allana MacDougall, BEd

Dean of Arts, BA'66, Leads National Group

Saint Mary's Dean of Arts and alumnus, Dr. Michael Larsen, BA'66, was recently elected president of the Canadian Conference of Dean of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences (CCDAHSS). The organization serves as a forum for discussion and cooperation among the deans, promotes teaching and scholarship in the humanities and social sciences in the universities, and represents the deans in interactions with governments, granting agencies, and the public. Saint Mary's will host this year's Annual General Meeting of CCDAHSS in April.

As well, Dr. Larsen is currently serving as president of the Charitable Irish Society of Halifax, one of the oldest charitable societies in North America. Also on the Executive of this organization are former Saint Mary's alumni presidents Ann MacGillivray and Terry Donahoe.

'74
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Alphonse T. Jeddry, BEd

'75
William (Bill) Linton, BComm, is the president and chief executive of Call-Net Enterprises, the parent of long-distance phone company Sprint Canada. He has an extensive background in corporate leadership. Bill was previously chairman and chief executive of Prior Data Science Inc. and executive vice-president and chief financial officer of SHL Systemhouse Inc. He also was vice-president and CFO for Rogers Cantel Inc., a cell-phone operator called Rogers AT&T Wireless.

Robert Kelly, BComm, is chief financial officer for First Union Corp., USA. He recently retired from the Toronto Dominion Bank. Robert held several senior positions, during his 19-year tenure, most recently vice-chairman of the group office. Before joining the

Toronto Dominion bank in 1981, he worked as an accountant for major firms.

'76
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Molly A. Smith, BA
V.H. Brooks, BComm
Janie A. Doucette, BA, BEd'79
David J. Miller, BA
Maryanne O'Brien, BA
John Anderson, BEd

Gerald J. Walsh, BComm, MBA, CMA, FCMA, is chair of the Board of Governors for the Certified Management Accountants of Canada, 2000-2001. He is executive search consultant and president of his own Halifax-based firm, Gerald Walsh Recruitment Services Inc., which he started in 1990. Gerald has extensive experience in strategic planning, finance, human resources and business development, having worked in the manufacturing professional services and banking sectors. He has been involved in CMA Canada, since 1984. He served on the governing council of the Nova Scotia Society of Management Accountants for a number of years, and later completed two terms as the Society's president. Subsequently elected to the CMA Canada Board of Directors, Gerald has served on the executive committee for the last three years. An active member of the local community, he has served as director of the Metropolitan Halifax Chamber of Commerce, on numerous committees of the Archdiocese of Halifax, and on the Board of Governors of Saint Mary's.

Michael (Mickey) Davison, BComm, and his wife Janice (nee Hurry) are owners of a luxury beach villa in Costa Rica. Located on the North Pacific coast, the villa overlooks the beach, has three bedrooms, three bathrooms, is completely equipped for six persons, with swimming pools, jacuzzi, restaurants in the same complex. An ideal place to stay when visiting this beautiful country. Alumni who are interested, can visit our website at: www3.ns.sympatico.ca/mjdavison/villadavison.html.

Michael Wilson, BComm, his wife Nancy (nee Alderson), BComm'81, and their two sons Bradley and Ian, recently located to Yarmouth, NS. Michael is call centre manager for Telesis Communications Inc. and Nancy is employed as a library assistant with the Nova Scotia Community College, Burridge Campus.

Max Beaton, BEd, is acting as the training advisor with the CIDA project in Jablapur, Madhya Pradesh, India. He is the grandfather of six (three girls and three boys).

'77
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Gloria J. MacLean, BA, BEd'78

'78
Paul Kent, BSc, is vice president for DMR, New England and Atlantic Canada Consulting firm. He has been working in their Halifax Office for the past eight years. Paul and his wife Barbara continue to spend lots of time on the soccer field with their two children Julie, 12 and Jessica, 9. Their leisure time is spent at the cottage in Mooseland, Nova Scotia or at their home "on the lake" in Dartmouth, NS.

'79
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Paul E. Cox, BComm
Stephanie Hunte, BEd

'80
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Robert H. Bayne, DipEng, BSc, MEd'84
Suzanne L. Hastings-James, BA
Karen Moland, BA'80, BEd

Lorne Martin, DipEng, worked as project engineer with the Cape Breton Development Corporation where he was involved in civil and structural design and construction administration for mine surface facilities. In 1984, he joined CBCL Limited, Consulting Engineers, as manager of their Sydney, NS office, and in 1990 he became principal and director of the firm. He was elected a vice president of CBCL Limited in 1995. Lorne has been active in APENS affairs since 1983. Recently, APENS awarded him with the J.D. Fraser Service Award 2000. In his community, he has served on the building and grounds committee of St. Joseph's Parish Church in Sydney and was actively involved in the fund-raising process for the Cape Breton Regional Hospital. Lorne represented the engineering profession on the Urgent Agenda Committee, an organization established to prepare economic renewal plans for Cape Breton.

'81
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Wanda F. Lawrence, BA
Catherine A. Green, BA, BEd'82
Mary E. Peckenhams, BEd
John J. MacNeil, MA
Guan Chan Yeoh, BSc

Keith L. Oickle, CA, BComm, has joined the firm of White Burgess Langille Inman. He obtained his Certified Chartered Accountants designation in 1983. Keith is experienced in taxation matters. He also has 10 years of management and administrative experience. Keith specializes in taxation, consulting on corporate income tax, professionals and incorporated practices, estate planning, personal tax planning and corporate reorganizations. He has been active throughout the community and currently is a member of the Legal Information Society of Nova Scotia and the Canadian Tax Foundation.

'82
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Timothy P. Daly, BComm

'83
We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Anne T. McManus, BA
Laurie R. Anderson, BA
Christa M. Selka, BA

Donald T. West, BA, is director of the provincial crown corporation, Nova Scotia Resources Limited. He has strong experience in running an international oil company. Donald has more than 40 years experience in the petroleum sector. His most recent position was president and CEO of Rigel Energy, a position he held from 1991 to 1999. His involvement in the company, an intermediate oil and gas producer, began in 1979 when he assumed the position of exploration

vice-president with Rigel's predecessor, Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd. In 1985, the company appointed him vice-president and general manager. He held that role until his promotion to president six years later.

'84

We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Deborah P. Mansour, BComm
Thomas H. Forrest, BA

Gary Herbert, BComm, works for IIG - Impressions Incentive Group, Corporate Apparel/Incentives/Merchandise, Bedford, Nova Scotia.

'85

We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Sylvia C. Chauvette, BA
Rozena Ghany, BComm

'86

We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Arnold E. Mosher, DipEng
Jacqueline J. Stringer, BComm
Kelvin Kong, BComm
Norma Manship, BA
Moreri Seamolo, DipEng

'87

We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Robert B. Jones, BComm

'88

We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Man-Yee Yung, BSc
Geraldine Kenny-Wallace, Hon

H. Peter White, BSc, would like to say thanks to the Department of Physics and Astronomy for their help and support during his BSc. He was recently honoured by receiving the CASI-CRSS (Canadian Remote Sensing Society). Peter received the best thesis award in 1999-2000. This award was possible in part due to the great support he received during his undergraduate years at SMU. Peter says it was the assistance, advice and efforts of the faculty and fellow classmates in the department with whom he was able to evolve his academic and research interests.

'89

We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Kathleen M. Job, CCP
Michael M. Williams, BSc

Michele Burt, BComm, is a health sector corporate account manager with MIT. She has been employed in various sales and marketing roles, since graduation. In 1999, Michele was recognized as one of the Top Performers for outstanding achievements in Information Technology sales. She spent some time travelling throughout Europe and the British West Indies this past year. Michele is pursuing a Masters of E-Commerce at Dalhousie University.

Eric Millsom, BA, and **Maureen Doucette-Millsom** were married in Halifax on September 15, 2000, surrounded by their children and family. Maureen's daughters Caitlin and Erin, and Eric's daughters Elisha and Adelia, along with several friends helped to give the couple a bubble salute. Eric is employed at the QEII Health Sciences Centre, Halifax Infirmary site and his wife is in the Women's Health Program at the IWK/Grace Health

Centre. They reside in Halifax.

'90

We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Sandy C. Woo

Chuck Healy, BA, is manager of channel marketing, Maritimes for Molson Canada. He has over 10 years experience in the beer beverage industry including his most recent position as field marketing manager, Molson Canada. Chuck will be working out of the Molson Canada Sales and Marketing office in Halifax.

Arlene L. Fong, BComm, CA, is manager, finance and administration for Biovail Laboratories Incorporated, Barbados, West Indies.

Rob Brennan, BA, is second to the Solicitor General's office doing a quality assessment of the Ministry. His most recent position was a business planner. Rob was instructor for the last four years teaching firearms and defensive tactics. His wife Renee is a flight attendant for Air Canada. Rob did a stint as a professional kickboxer after fighting for Canada in 1995 at the world amateur championships. Rob and his wife Renee have a rotweiler name Reggie. Rob is a former member of the Huskies Football Team.

'91

We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
James R. Ayliward, BEd

Denise LeBlanc, BSc, is manager of client relations, at Staffing Strategists International, Halifax, Nova Scotia. This firm is an executive retention and recruitment firm that helps employers find and keep the best people. You can email her at: dleblanc@staffingstrategists.com.

'92

We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Allison F. Goebel, MA
Elizabeth M. Brown, BA, BEd '93
Denise J. Julian, BEd

Greg O'Brien, BComm, is Atlantic regional manager for Lock & Associates, Halifax, Nova Scotia. Prior to this, he spent three years as senior consultant in their Vancouver office. Greg is responsible for all the recruitment efforts throughout Atlantic Canada, including Medical/Pharmaceutical Consumer Products, IT, Industrial, and Business Products and Services accounts.

Redmond Curtis, BComm, is project manager for KorTrack Solutions Inc., a software developer, Ottawa, Ontario. Prior to this he worked for IMP Group for seven years. Redmond is working on completing a MBA from the University of Ottawa.

Brian Thompson, BComm, CFP, is manager, CIBC Global Private Banking and Trust for Atlantic Canada in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Angela Jones-Rieksts, BSc, BEd '94, and **Mark Rieksts** were married on July 8, 2000 at St. Peter's Church, Dartmouth, NS. Concelebrants were Rev. Peter Larisey, SJ and Angela's former professor Rev. Lawrence Murphy, SJ, MA'62. Reception, dinner and dance followed at the Wardroom, CFB Halifax. Mark is a lawyer with Russell Piggott Jones in Dartmouth and

Angela is a lawyer for the Halifax Regional Municipality.



Angela Jones-Rieksts and husband Mark Rieksts

Peter Sandiford, DipEng, is an architect with Habitats Architectural Designs, St. Thomas, Barbados, West Indies.

Captain Nicole Lougheed (nee MacNeil), BA, and her husband **Dion** were married on July 15, 2000.

'93

We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Sadik Abbas, BSc
Leia A. Dunn, BComm
Gary D. Sweet, BComm
Diane Fitzgerald-Large, MEd
Jarret Pazahanick, BComm
Robert G. Boutilier, BSc

Terri Beazley, BComm, and **Don MacVicar** were married on April 11, 2000 in Runaway Bay, Jamaica. She is currently employed with CIBC as an IT business analyst. They reside in Toronto, Ontario



Terri Beazley and husband Don MacVicar on their wedding day

'94

We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Travis W. Oickle, BComm
Derek S. Fraser, BA
Melina J. McNeil, BEd

Emily Burton, MA, has been a lecturer in the Spanish Department at Dalhousie University for the past six years and she is Assistant Dean External.

Leonard MacGillivray, BSc, has been appointed to the Department of Chemistry at the University of Iowa.

Maple Rizzato-Penrose, BComm, and her husband **Chris** were married on July 29, 2000. She is financial manager for Bell Canada. They reside in Whitby, Ontario.

'95

We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Takuiji Yoshida, BA
Kathryn L. Lowe, BA
Carol C. MacMillan, MEd
Leanne M. Dorge, MEd

John Hagen, BComm, and **Wendy (nee Davis)** were married in July 2000 at their home in Calgary, Alberta. He is a database administrator with Sollectron Ltd. John can be reached by

email at: johnhagen@email.com.

Jason Miller, BA, obtained a Criminology Certificate in 1996. He is a police officer with the Brantford Police Service, Brantford, Ontario. Jason played three seasons for the Huskies football from 1990-1993 and was part of the 1990 Vanier Cup team.

Bruce S. Lusby, BComm, and **Heidi Elizabeth (nee Jenkins)** were married on September 2, 2000 at Spring Park United Church, Charlottetown, PEI.

Lori Ann Dort, BA, has been accepted at Chulalongkorn University to do graduate studies at the Thai Studies Centre. She indicates that if any one from Saint Mary's is travelling to Bangkok to get in contact with her.

Baldwin Taylor, BComm, is marketing officer for the National Commercial Bank, Saint Lucia, West Indies.

David Welch '95, is sales manager at Carib Brewery Ltd., Trinidad. He is responsible for managing and overseeing selling and distribution activities, including the functions of area sales managers, key account managers, customer service representatives and merchandises. David has many years of experience in sales and distribution. Most recently, he was employed as sales manager for the Trinidad subsidiary of a major multi-national corporation.

'96

Matthew Robinson, BSc, completed an MA in Creative Writing at UNB, Fredericton, NB in May 2000. He is now a doctoral candidate in Canadian Literature at UNB. Matthew won the 1999 Petra Kenney Memorial International Poetry Competition, which included a journey to Canada House in London, England to accept the \$2000 prize at an Awards gala. His first book-length collection of poetry, "A Ruckus of Awkward Stacking" was released in October, 2000 by Insomniac Press. Recently, Matthew got engaged to Marissa Allison of Mississauga, Ontario.

Charity Sampson, BA, graduated from the RCMP Academy, Regina, Saskatchewan on August 8, 2000. She has been posted to North Battleford, Saskatchewan.

Veronica Gorin, BComm, and her fiancé **Russell Walters** would like to announce their recent engagement and the purchase of their new home. Russell is a chief engineer in the Canadian Navy.

Keigan Cox, BA, is an economist with the Government of Saint Lucia, Ministry of Finance & Economic Affairs, Office of the Budget, Castries, Saint Lucia, West Indies.

Liota Charlemagne, BComm, is data & records officer II for the Government of St. Lucia, West Indies.

Shermaine Glasgow-Chung, BSc, is a technical officer for the Caribbean Environmental Health Institute, St. Lucia, West Indies.

'97

We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!
Jeffrey D. Davis, BComm

Wayne Theobalds, BComm, is sales and marketing manager for Peter & Company Ltd., Castries, Saint Lucia, West Indies.

Mark Bellefontaine, BComm, is an analyst for The Canadian Venture Exchange (CDNX), Toronto, Ont.

'98

Neil Morley, BComm, and **Tammy (nee Crowell), BComm'91**, were married on June 17, 2000 at St. Agnes Church, Halifax, Nova Scotia. A reception followed at the Westin Nova Scotian. The couple honeymooned in Iceland and London. Neil recently received the second highest mark in Nova Scotia and placed 12th nationally in the Uniform Final Examinations, Chartered Accountants of Nova Scotia. Neil received the HE Crowell Silver Medal, and will also be named to the CICA Honour Roll.

Claudette Green, BSc, and **Curt MacKenzie, BA'98**, were married on December 29, 2000. They are currently residing in St. John's, Newfoundland. Curt is a service manager with Maloney Enterprises Ltd. and Claudette is a second year nursing student at Memorial University.

Lori Saunders (nee Ballard), BComm, and her husband **Chris** were married on June 24, 2000 at St. Stephen's Church in Halifax. Reception, dinner and dance was held in the Officer's Mess at the Halifax Armouries. In attendance were the following Santamarians: **Kamaldeep Sekhon, BComm'98**, **Deanne Mayo, BSc'98**, **Brenda Wentzell, BComm'98**, **Steve Feltham, BComm'98**, **Dwayne Henri, BA'99**, **Lynette Stevens, BA'00**, **Kavita Ramadhar (current SMU student)**, **Pat Murphy, BComm'97** and **Greg Cole, BA'91, MSP'94**.



Lori and Chris Saunders on their wedding day.

Saint Mary's University Annual Fund Staff in attendance were: **Toni Croft, Assc'96** and **Gwyn Hardiman**. Lori is employed in the Development & Alumni Affairs Office at the Halifax Grammar School. Chris is an army recruiter for the Princess Louise Fusiliers. Lori and Chris can be reached at saunders@supercity.ns.ca. Congratulations to **Brenda Wentzell** and **Steve Feltham** on their May 20th wedding.

Lurline Cumberbatch, BComm, is a major accounts executive for Cable & Wireless, Castries, Saint Lucia, West Indies.

Buffy Skinner, BA, graduated with her Bachelor of Education from Acadia in October, 2000. She is in the process of obtaining her teaching license and a teacher position out West. Buffy is also looking for a friend, **Amanda Dawn Mason**, a former roommate at Saint Mary's.

'99

We've lost contact with you but haven't forgotten you!

Danny J. Deneau, BA
Hoon L. Chin, BComm

Ebou Jallow, BA, was part of the first group of graduates from the SMU international project in The Gambia (University Extension Program). After graduation, he worked as a part-time teaching assistant for the UEP for three months before taking up full-time employment as a research officer at the National Population Commission Secretariat (office responsible for Population Affairs) of the Gambia Government. Ebou's responsibilities were monitoring and evaluation of population projects under the country's National Population Programme. He is currently in The Netherlands pursuing a MSc in Health Services Research at the Netherlands Institute for Health Sciences of Erasmus University, Rotterdam. Ebou's motivation is to gain advanced training in research methods in the health and social sciences both for his job and a stepping stone to eventually pursue academic research. His ambition is to become a university academic.

Gillis Boyd, BComm, is employed with Computer Science Corporation, Boston, MA. He recently obtained an Applied IT certificate.

MBA

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Morgan P. Ross, MBA'93
Gianfranco Fanciulli, MBA'91
Elizabeth N. Mutunga, MBA'93

Garry Pye, MBA'92, is now chair of District Health Authority #4, for Colchester County and East Hants Municipality. He is past chair of the Colchester-Regional Hospital Foundation and a board member of the General Motors Dealer Training Advisory Board.

Dorothy Spence, MBA'95, is president CEO and co-founder of Tecknowledge. Her company specializes in the design, implementation and management of tele-health programs. Tecknowledge was the recent recipient of \$500,000 from InNovacorp. Dorothy says this money will help her company pursue further tele-health opportunities across Canada. The financing will also strengthen the company's position within the Canadian tele-health industry, providing the financial platform and support to explore innovative IT growth opportunities. InNovacorp provides a variety of business resources to help Nova Scotia entrepreneurs commercialize technology-based products and services.

Congratulations to the following alumni on obtaining the CMA Canada designation: **Michael P. Melanson, BComm'92, CMA**, Cost Accountant, Bowater; **Ross Tulloch, BComm'91, CMA**, Manager, Accounting, Information Technology Institute(ITI); and **Ernest A. Lewis, BComm'83, CMA**, Senior Accounts Administrator, Bank of Bermuda Limited.

Congratulations to the following alumni on obtaining the CGA designation from the Certified Accountants' Association of Nova Scotia: **Krista D. Langley, BComm'95, CGA**, Sisters of Charity and **David W. Penney, BComm'89, CGA**, Central Regional Health Board.



Announcing

Congratulations to the following alumni on the new additions to their families.

David Beattie, BSc'81, and his wife **Kristina**, a daughter, **Kelly Marie** on October 5, 1999. A sister for **Matthew, 8** and **Michael, 6**. The Beattie family reside in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Bonnie Bebbington, BComm'92, a daughter, **Ava**, on November 2, 2000, weighing 7 lbs. 12 ounces.

Terry Buchanan, BA'91, and his wife **Colleen**, a son, **Riley John Harrison Buchanan**, on September 13, 2000 at the Guelph General Hospital, Guelph, Ontario, weighing 9 lbs. 10 oz., length at birth 22 in.
Riley John Harrison Buchanan

Ken Byron, BA'93 and his wife **Tara-Lynn, BA'93**, a son, **Matthew Kenneth**, on October 27, 2000, weighing 8 lbs. 8 ozs.

Margaret Crook, BA'82, and her husband **Captain James Simiana**, a daughter, **Olivia Robyn Jean**, on July 16, 2000 weighing 8 lbs. 1 oz. at the Montfort Hospital in Ottawa. A little niece for **Jim Crook, BA'79**.



Olivia Robyn Jean

Tim Houston, BComm'92, and his wife **Carol**, a daughter, **Paget Houston**, on September 2, 1999, weighing 8 lbs. 5 oz. The Houston family reside in Bermuda.

Karl Fuller, MBA'90 and his wife **Kimberley Anderson-Fuller, MBA'90**, a second son, **Edan Christopher**, on February 4, 2000. Karl & Kimberley now have two sons, the eldest **Jacob** born in 1996. They reside in Muncie, Indiana.

Mary Lee Fultz (nee Kalbhenn), BA'89, and her husband **Peter, BA'89**, a fourth child, **Tabitha Marie** on October 18, 2000. A sister for **Caleb, 5**, **Noah, 3 1/2**, and **Luke, 2**. Mary is a stay home mom, but is an elementary teacher. She recently graduated with her MEd. Peter is a high school teacher with the Roman Catholic School Board in Yellowknife, NWT, while taking a two year leave of absence from King's County School Board in Nova Scotia. He is currently taking his MEd, while on their Yellowknife adventure!

Glen V. Gorveatte, DipEng'91 and his wife **Susan E. Gorveatte (nee Grantham), BComm'92**, a daughter, **Hope Avalon Rose Gorveatte**, weighing 7 lbs. 13 oz. in Windsor, Ontario on November 24, 1999. Glen is spindle product manager at Colonial Tool

Group in Windsor, Ontario and **Susan** has started her own professional training/consulting corporation specializing in ISO/QS-9000 quality initiatives.



Hope Avalon Rose Gorveatte

Deanne Kelley (nee Oickle), BComm'92, and her husband **Craig**, a daughter, **Mariah Grace** on January 5, 2000, weighing 8 lbs. 1 oz. A sister for **Hannah** (who started school in September, 2000). Deanne has returned to work at Service Nova Scotia & Municipal Relations, Assessment Services in Bridgewater, as secretary to the regional manager.



Mariah and Hannah Kelley

Michelle Klus, BSc'92, and her husband **Darren**, a daughter, **Olivia Erin** on June 10, 2000.

Gordie Lawlor, BSc'88, CA, and his wife **Diane**, a daughter, **Julia Elizabeth** on May 19, 2000. A sister for **Robyn**. Gordie is corporate tax manager with the NS Power and Diane is Diabetes Case Management Coordinator at the QEII Health Sciences Centre. The Lawlor's reside in Tantallon, NS.

Danny Wai Yip Leung, BComm'88, and his wife **Lilian Ho**, a son, **Nicholas Leung**, on August 27, 2000, weighing 8 lbs at Brisbane, Australia. He is employed as a leasing sales manager for Leasetec Asia Ltd., Hong Kong.



Nicholas Leung

Peter MacDonald, BComm, and his wife **Peggy (nee Todd)**, triplets, **Megan, Genevieve** and **Todd** on July 2, 2000 in Calgary, Alberta. Peter was transferred to Calgary in 1996 and is the regional sales manager for Western Canada for Yoplait Yogurt. Friends can reach them at macdfarm@cadvision.com.

Mark Shupe, MBA'88 and his wife **Lana (nee Faye), BA'87**, a daughter, **Amy Faye** on April 10, 2000. Amy is a much adored little sister for **Kent, 5** and **Ryan, 3**. Lana provides private programming for families with young children with various needs. Mark is controller for Imperial Oil's Nanticoke Refinery in southwestern Ontario.

They can be reached at mlshupe@kwic.com and would love to hear from old friends.

In Memoriam

The Saint Mary's University Alurani Association would like to convey our sincere condolences to the families of the following alumni and friends.

Wilfred D. Aubut, BSc'70, died on October 25, 2000. He was an architect and a member of the Nova Scotia Association of Architects where he participated actively on the Continuing Education Committee and the Environment Committee. He was the Manager of Architecture and Interior Design Branch in Atlantic Region, Public Works and Government Services, Canada. He had a strong personal interest in sustainable development and provided leadership at the regional and national levels. Wilfred was a gourmet cook and wine maker, an amateur water color painter and avid swimmer at Dalplex.

Daniel J. Janigan, BA'39, died December 2, 2000 in Ottawa, Ontario. He served in the Canadian Army overseas during the Second World War. Daniel remained in the army until 1965, following which he worked in the Public Service with the Department of Trade, Industry and Commerce, where he was Director-General of Fairs and Missions. He retired in 1980.

Dennis James Flinn, '43, died on August 22, 2000. He attended Saint Mary's High School where he was active in local sports. Dennis was involved with the automotive industry for most of his career. He retired after 25 years service with Tilden Rent-A-Car as District Manager of Atlantic Canada. Dennis was a former member of the Halifax Executive Club, Skat Club International, Ashburn and Hartlen Point Golf Clubs and a generous contributor to many charities.

Ronald James Mansour, DipEng'57, died on August 19, 2000. He graduated from the Nova Scotia Technical College with a degree in mechanical engineering. He retired from the federal Department of Public Works in 1995. Ronald was a great outdoorsman, a kind and gentle man and a special uncle to many nieces and nephews.

Evelyn McKnight, BA'73, died on October 17, 2000 in the New Halifax Infirmary, QEII. She was an elementary teacher for many years, teaching in Sydney, East Bay, Halifax and Halifax County. Evelyn was an active member of the CWL as well as in many other church related activities.

G. Gerard Moriarty, BComm'77, BEd'78, died on September 22, 2000 in Kingston, Ontario. He made a significant contribution during his 22-year career with Royal Bank. Gerard held a variety of positions serving cus-

tomers and staff in Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Southern Ontario, most recently as Area Manager in Kingston-Quinte, Ontario. He served his community through minor hockey, Special Olympics and the Knights of Columbus.

Leo Raftery, died on November 17, 2000, after being ill for a year, at the Mass General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts. He was a family member and personal friend of **Mary Lou Gomes, Assoc'00** and **Ron Gomes, BComm'65**. Leo was an avid sailor. He is survived by his wife Gay, his son Brent, his daughter and son-in-law Courtney and John Cole and their new daughter (his first grand child) Shane.

A. Janine Taylor, MBA'91, died on October 28, 2000 in the QEII Sciences Centre, Halifax, NS. She educated her children at home and was often called upon as a representative of home schooling in Nova Scotia. In 1995, she appeared before the committee of the Nova Scotia Legislature reviewing changes to the Education Act on behalf of the Nova Scotia Home Education Association and edited the association's newsletter from 1994 to 1996. She was an avid reader and wrote a regular column for the Sunday Herald on romantic fiction called *Romantic Leads*. Janine owned and operated *Writers' Syndication Services*, which syndicated her column and those of other writers to various news-

papers across Canada. She was a former leader of *First Westphal Brownies* and former president of the *Dartmouth Toy Library 1993-94*.

Thomas Munroe Blair Whitty, died suddenly on November 11, 2000, as a result of a motor vehicle accident. He was a second year student at Saint Mary's University, Halifax, NS. Thomas was a special friend to many. He enjoyed golf, tennis, skiing and TV. Thomas was an active member of the Highlands Link Golf Club and a dedicated junior ski racer at Cape Smokey. He was a level one instructor and enjoyed facing new challenges.



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Dynamic Duane!

Interview by Penny Murdock

Duane Lowe, BComm'81, geography major
Hometown: Amherst
Now resides: Dartmouth, NS

Can you describe your current job?

This is my sixth year as Producer/Host for the afternoon talk show *Maritimes Today* on Global Television. I research issues and topics Maritimers want to talk about, find the appropriate guests to appear on the show and host it. Basically that means interviewing the guests, sometimes moderating and keeping the conversation going and encouraging viewers to call in and e-mail.

What led you to a career in broadcast?

While finishing off my degree I held a variety of part time jobs - secretarial, promotions and professional modeling. My work with the model agency led me to CHNS Radio for full time work as traffic reporter, late night host, and assisting in sales and promotions.

I was then hired by ASN (television) as weather anchor with their sign-on news team. Within a year I began producing features and went on to host their public affairs show, *Atlantic Afternoon*. Ten years ago I moved to MITV (now Global) as weather anchor and lifestyle features reporter, and now host of *Maritimes Today*.

What is the most difficult part of your job?

That varies but mostly it's getting the right people to speak to an issue when you're facing a deadline. Making camera shy people feel comfortable about speaking on a live, hour-long show can be a challenge. Sometimes their fear is so strong, they decline, and I'm on the hunt again. 'Hot potato' topics can also deter people from appearing on the show.

Where do show ideas come from?

Topics come from life in the Maritimes. Viewers send suggestions through letters, e-mail and phone calls. I keep up with what's happening in the news and have my ear to the ground for emerging trends, issues and interesting people visiting the region.

How many shows do you normally do in the course of a year?

205 original fresh shows every year. We show 55 "the best of/encore" shows during Christmas break and the summer months.

Who were some of your most memorable interviews with?

Author/ philosopher John Ralston Saul's intelligence astounded me! A young lady known as Donna Goler had a profound effect on myself and viewers. She endured incredible emotional and physical abuse as a child, yet grew up to be a productive member of society and a compelling voice against child abuse and for legislative change.

I had always admired Pamela Wallin, so to

interview her was wonderful. She holds two qualities that don't always go together - intelligence and charm. I also found Rita McNeil fascinating. Her persistence in "fighting the odds" is incredible.

My all-time favorite interview was with Blues Great, BB King. "Blues Boy" has endured prejudice and injustice most of his life. For decades he spent at least 300 days a year on the road. It's amazing that he has only really profited from his efforts since the nineties. That hasn't made him callous or cynical. He's a true gentleman, kind, unassuming, a terrific talent...and so funny! I felt honored to speak with him.

Can you tell us about an embarrassing moment on camera?

Broadcasters learn to get over their embarrassments quickly. Most of my moments were from my weather reporting days. A bad cold once took my voice away completely during a cast. My mouth was working but nothing was coming out!

Toward the end of my pregnancy with my daughter, I had to reposition myself and move around a lot because I was literally covering up the weather map - and once to my astonishment I heard "Hell of a lot of cloud cover" come from my mouth. Do you suppose anyone one noticed?

What are the perks of the job?

The human interaction and the beautiful letters from viewers telling me how they appreciate the show and the information. We sometimes discuss tough personal issues. *Maritimes Today* has been the impetus for important positive change for some.

When you are not working, how do you spend your time?

Time with my family is number one, particularly my adolescent daughter. We like to read, go to the movies, do crafts, go swimming and skating.

In a world where technology is constantly changing the way we do everything, including watch television, what do you think the future holds for people in your line of work?

A very complex question. Sometimes we don't know how the technology will affect us until it has been in use for while, and the changes are just beginning.

I do believe all forms of techno-communication - tv, radio, internet and the phone system will combine so we can, for instance, watch TV using our cell phone. (Beam me up Scottie!) I also believe broadcasters will have the ability to know who's watching what, when, and will be able to adjust their programming in a matter of minutes. It could mean more viewer power and viewer interaction.

It's going to be important for people in my field to understand the newer technology, be versatile with their skills and flexible in their thinking.



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