Saint Mary's University Spring Convocation



Friday, 15 May 2015

O CANADA

O Canada! Our home and native land! True patriot love in all thy sons command.

> Car ton bras sait porter l'epee, II sait porter la croix!

Ton histoire est une epopee Des plus brillants exploits.

God keep our land, glorious and free! O Canada, we stand on guard for thee, O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

Convocation is a joyous yet solemn event, bound by traditions which have evolved over centuries. It is a continuum with a formal beginning and end. By being present here today, you have indicated your interest in being part of this academic tradition. Graduating students and their guests are therefore expected to remain in their seats until this formal ceremony has been completed in its entirety - the Chancellor of the University has officially closed Convocation and the stage party and graduates have recessed.

Order of Academic Procession Marshal of Convocation Graduates Guests Faculty Board of Governors Deans of Faculties Recipients of Honorary Degrees Vice-President, Academic and Research President Chancellor

The audience is requested to stand when the Academic Procession arrives, to remain standing until the close of the Prayer of Invocation, and at the close of Convocation, to remain standing until all of the Academic Procession has recessed.

Please note that names of graduates listed in this program are subject to revision.

Order of Proceedings

Processional

Welcome

O Canada

Morning Convocation - Lauren Acker, Bachelor of Arts student

Afternoon Convocation - Heather Fitzpatrick, B.P.R., Director of Development

Introduction of Special Guests

Invocation Father Rob Arsenault

Valedictory Address

Morning Convocation

Andrew Seth Jamieson

Afternoon Convocation

Dylan Alexander Finlay MacDonald

Presentation of Governor-General's Medals & Faculty Awards

Presidential Remarks

J. Colin Dodds, B.A., B.Sc., MA., Ph.D.

Conferral of Honorary Degrees

Morning Convocation

To be Doctor of Civil Law (honoris causa)
Terry O'Reilly

To be Doctor of Science (honoris causa)

John Sullivan

To be Doctor of Civil Law (honoris causa)
Julie Toskan-Casale

Afternoon Convocation

To be Doctor of Civil Law (honoris causa)
Taleb Abidali

To be Doctor of Commerce (honoris causa)

Monique F. Leroux

To be Doctor of Commerce (honoris causa)

John McArthur

Convocation Addresses

Morning

Terry O'Reilly

Afternoon

Monique F. Leroux

Conferring of Degrees, Diplomas, Certificates

Morning Convocation

Arts

Margaret Y. MacDonald. B.A. (Hons), D.Phil., Dean of Arts, will present the candidates for undergraduate degrees in Arts.

J. Kevin Vessey, B.Sc. (Hon.), M.Sc., Ph.D., Associate Vice-President Research, Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, will present the candidates for graduate degrees in Arts.

Science

Steven Smith, B.A. (Hon.), M.A., Ph.D., Dean of Science, will present the candidates for undergraduate degrees in Science.

J. Kevin Vessey, B.Sc. (Hon.), M.Sc., Ph.D., Associate Vice-President Research, Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, will present the candidates for graduate degrees in Science.

Afternoon Convocation

Business

Patricia Bradshaw, B.Comm., Ph.D., Dean of the Sobey School of Business, will present the candidates for undergraduate degrees in Business.

J. Kevin Vessey, B.Sc. (Hon.), M.Sc., Ph.D., Associate Vice-President Research, Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, will present the candidates for graduate degrees in Business.

Closing of Convocation

Recessional

Chancellor of Saint Mary's University

Paul D. Sobey, B.Comm., D.Comm.

Chairman of Convocation

David Gauthier, B.A., M.A., Ph.D. Vice-President, Academic and Research

University Orator

Alexandre Avdulov, B.A., M.A., Ph.D. Associate Professor of Japanese and Asian Studies

Marshal of Convocation

Donald J. Naulls, B.A. (Hon.) M.A., Ph.D. Associate Dean of Arts, Associate Professor of Political Science, and Chairperson of the Academic Senate.

Marshal of Students

Keith Hotchkiss, B.A. Director of Student Services

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Acknowledgement

The Administration and Faculty of Saint Mary's University gratefully acknowledge the generous assistance received during the past year from individuals and groups in the form of contributions of scholarships, bursaries, prizes, as well as numerous and varied services.

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MEDALS and AWARDS

Fitzpatrick Family Valedictorian Award Recipients: Andrew Seth Jamieson

Dylan Alexander Finlay MacDonald

Undergraduate Medals and Awards

Governor General's Silver Medal

Donor: Governor General of Canada Recipient: Roman Kenneth Burgess

University's Faculty and Division Medals

Bachelor of Arts

Recipient: Jonathan R. Godin

Bachelor of Science

Recipient: Christopher Thomas MacMackin

Diploma in Engineering

Recipient: Nikrooz Naserifard

Bachelor of Commerce

Recipient: Renee Annette d'Eon

Academic Subject Awards

Biology: The Dr. Brij M. Kapoor Memorial Award

Donor: The family of Dr. Brij M. Kapoor

Recipient: Kathleen Evelynn Hipwell

Environment: Environmental Studies Prize

Donor: Dr. Tony Charles
Recipient: Jodi-Ann Aera Francis

Environment: Environmental Science Prize

Donor: Dr. Tony Charles

Recipient: Jocelyn Consuelo Kickbush

Geology: The Centennial Medal

Donor: The Mining Society of Nova Scotia

Recipient: Isabel Chavez Gutierrez

Human Resource Management: Hermann F. Schwind Award for Excellence

Human Resource Management

Donors: Department of Management Faculty members, past and present

Recipient: Nevin Wahbi El Wardani

Irish Studies: Brian O'Brien Irish Studies Medal

Donor: Dr. Brian O'Brien Recipient: Sarah Catherine Griffiths

Modern Languages: Prize of the Ambassador of Switzerland

Donor: Ambassador of Switzerland to Canada

Recipient: Brittany L. Avery

Tax: The Edwin C. Harris Tax Prize

Donor: Atlantic Tax Conference Planning Committee

Recipient: Ryan Frederick Johnson

Graduate Medals

Governor General's Gold Medal

Donor: Governor General of Canada

Recipient: Magen Lilli Hudak

University's Faculty Medals

Master of Arts (International Development Studies)

Donor: Dr. James H. Morrison

Recipient: Meagan Monique Symington

Master of Business Administration: Dr. Harold G. Beazley Medal

Recipient: Patrick James Brennan

Executive Master of Business Administration

Donor: Bridges Family Recipient: Darryn E. Steeves

Master of Management - Co-operatives and Credit Unions: Pobihuschy Medal

Recipient: Roger E. J. Bouchard

Master of Science (Applied Psychology)
Donor: Aramark Canada Ltd.
Recipient: Aleka Maria MacLellan

Master of Science (Applied Science): The Georgia Pe-Piper Medal for Excellence

Applied Science

Donor: Applied Science Faculty members

Recipient: Emma Poirier

Faculty Awards

The Reverend William A. Stewart, S.J., Medal for Excellence in Teaching

In 1983, the Alumni Association, in cooperation with the Faculty Union and the Students' Representative Council, established the Reverend William A. Stewart, S.J., Medal for Excellence in Teaching. This award is open to faculty members who have made an extraordinary contribution to the education of Saint Mary's students through teaching in the University's tradition of quality undergraduate education.

The recipient of the Medal for 2015 is Dr. Ellen Farrell, Associate Professor in the Department of Management, Sobey School of Business. Her 20-year teaching mission is "to create a generation of students who have the vision and ability to build big ideas, and the capacity and the confidence to do it." Dr. Farrell's students are provided many opportunities to gain confidence throughout her courses and describe her classes as both demanding and rewarding. Ellen values the need for her students to practice new skills and allows them to learn how to do something new rather than expecting them to do it correctly the first time. Her students especially appreciate Ellen's teaching innovations including the Mini-Venture Trade Fair and Boardroom Presentations. Her teaching style is that of coach and mentor, and it is apparent that she sees the value in connecting her students with the community in which will work and live. Inspired by her enthusiasm and passion for what she teaches, students who take Ellen's courses put in effort and notice improvements in their work. Her teaching methods are obviously effective-she has coached her students to success at numerous national and international business competitions. Her outstanding teaching abilities have already been recognized locally, regionally, and nationally. She has received a number of student-selected teaching awards including the SMU Student Association's Excellence in Teaching Award and the Commerce Society's Professor of the Year Award. Dr. Farrell was a finalist in the 2014 Inaugural National Mentor of the Year Award (Canadian Youth Business Foundation and Business Development Bank of Canada), Best Professor 2nd runner up according to The Coast readers, and she has appeared in Maclean's Magazine as a "Most Popular Prof."

The Dr. Geraldine Thomas Educational Leadership Award

In 2007, the Quality of Teaching Committee (now the Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching) established an Educational Leadership Award to recognize the long-term commitment of faculty who develop, enhance, and promote the quality of teaching at Saint Mary's and beyond. The Committee gratefully acknowledges the support of the Saint Mary's University Faculty Union for this Award.

The Award is named for Dr. Geraldine Thomas, national teaching award winner and founding member of the Quality of Teaching Committee. Throughout her academic career, Dr. Thomas supported efforts to improve teaching and learning within the university, the Atlantic region, and nationally.

The recipient of the Award for 2015 is **Roxanne Richardson**, part-time faculty member in the Department of Environmental Science. As an Educational Leader, Roxanne has provided support to her colleagues in the Faculty of Science and across Saint Mary's campus. She has been an active member of the Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching, from 2007 to the present. During her 20-year career at Saint Mary's University, Roxanne also participated in a number of committee sponsored activities and led teaching workshops and communities of practice, with the Centre for Academic and Instructional Development, on topics that included first-year student success, best ways of engaging first-year students, and best teaching practices. She has provided mentorship to new faculty members, as well as organized and facilitated new faculty workshops. She has further shaped teaching and learning culture on campus by contributing to the Senate Committee on Literacy Strategy (2007-09) and the Science Task Force on Literacy (2008-09). Her colleagues have noted that "[Roxanne] is not afraid of trying new teaching and learning techniques and seeking feedback from her students. She acts as a model of how to teach effectively and as a mentor to her students. Her educational leadership begins in the classroom." Her students agree, and many of them describe her as genuinely caring, passionate about teaching, amazing, and "the best prof ever!" Roxanne takes the opportunity to share her love and practice of teaching with professors throughout the region and across Canada by presenting at teaching and learning conferences. Roxanne Richardson is considered the "go to" professor in her department for other faculty members who have questions about their teaching, and is well respected throughout the university.

MORNING CONVOCATION

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Samantha N. Adema (cum laude) Halifax, NS John S. Akin Halifax, NS Candice E. Albright (Hon. English: cum laude) Halifax, NS Halifax, NS Nicole Alexander (Hon. Psychology)

Chester, NS Emily Anne Margaret Anderson Dartmouth, NS Samantha Heather Antonio (cum laude) Sackville, NS Caitlin Jacklyn Arnold

Hammonds Plains, NS Brittany L. Avery (magna cum laude)

Dartmouth, NS Andrea Christine Ayoub

Scott Michael Babin Dalhousie, NB James S. Baker Halifax, NS Anila Balakrishnan Hvderabad, India Cole Harbour, NS

Samantha Taylor Banfield (Hon. Criminology: summa cum laude)

Keisha Katharina Barrie

Halifax, NS Emily Ruth Beasley (Hon. Psychology: magna cum laude) Mates Corner, NB

Nadia Stephanie Anna Becker

Halifax, NS Nicole Ashley Becket (Hon. Psychology: magna cum laude) Halifax, NS

Victoria Cecilia Bell (cum laude)

Lower Sackville, NS Megan Kathleen Best Cole Harbour, NS Rachel Lauren Betts

Caroline Sheila Bexfield Jasmine Bhomia (Hon. Psychology: summa cum laude)

F. Martin E. Bieber

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Ashley Donna-Marie Boulegon Katie Frances Bowman

Jamie Travis Boyd (Hon. Sociology)

Joellisa Shantel Boyd

Nicole Elizabeth Braniff (cum laude)

John Michael Brannen

Jonathon R. Bray (Hon. Geography)

Olivia Rae Brogan Hayley Kathleen Bryan Kyle Hubert Bullen

Kyoto Jamal Miyako Burchall Jordan Christopher Butler

Port Hawkesbury, NS Windsor, NS Falmouth, NS

Greenwood, NS

Toronto, ON

Halifax, NS

New Delhi, India

Guysborough, NS

Durham, NS Halifax, NS Halifax, NS Sydney, NS

Cole Harbour, NS Porters Lake, NS Smiths, Bermuda Halifax, NS

Lauren Ashley Butler

Nicholas Andrew Caissy

Tatiane Camargo (Hon. Political Science)

Jessica A. Campbell

Malcolm F. Capstick (Hon. Sociology)

Julieann Elizabeth Lea Cheverie

Stuart I. Cheyne (Hon. English: cum laude)

Jillian Faith Chisholm Allison Lee Churchill

Amson Lee Charenin

Erin Kathryn Clahane (Hon. Psychology) Duncan Michael Coady (cum laude)

Dylan John Colbourne (Hon. Geography)

Samantha Nicole Collier

Sarah Elizabeth Collins

Ashley Celine Comeau

Hajrija Conrad (cum laude)

Jessica Conrad

Cassandra Lynn Cooper

Meghan Ulilla Costello

Jessica Marie Cote (Hon. Criminology: cum laude)

Katelyn Danielle Cottreau (magna cum laude)

Sarah Ellen Coughlin (Hon. Psychology: summa cum laude)

Chelsea A. M. Craig (Hon. Sociology: cum laude)

Patricia Brooks Culbert (summa cum laude)

Kimberlea Dayle Curlett (summa cum laude)

Katherine Ellen Curran

Guillermo F. Dietrich Arthur Gerald Doggett

Ian C. Donald

Ashley Marie Dorey

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Samuel C. Drader (cum laude)

Emily M. Driscoll (summa cum laude)

Catherine Darlene Drover

Andrew Gerald Dunlop

James E. During (Hon. History)

Joshua M. E. Dyke (cum laude)

Benjamin L. Dykeman

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Tanya L. Everett (cum laude)

Jessica Nicole Ewing (summa cum laude)

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Halifax, NS

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Bridgewater, NS

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Liverpool, NS

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New Ross, NS

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Kentville, NS
Swindon, England
Newmarket, ON
Vancouver, BC
Porters Lake, NS
Argyle, MB
Orangedale, NS

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Sackville, NS Halifax, NS

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Sydney, NS

New Glasgow, NS

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Digby, NS

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Mount Uniacke, NS Odette Moussi

Cole Harbour, NS

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Jessica Catherine Murray

Joe S. Nguyen

Lindsey Rae Parker Michelle Katherine Paul (magna cum laude)

Hailiang Peng Mark Kenneth Peters

Taylor R. K. Pond

Kavita Laxmi Raju (cum laude)

Samantha Dawne Rioux

Collette Lucille Robert (Hon. Psychology) Rebecca Alice Robertson (Hon. Biology) Alexis Jamie Robinson (magna cum laude) Jenelle Linda Rogers (magna cum laude)

Katie Anna Ryan

Benjamin Michael Sabean

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Lindsay J. Varbeff

Heidi Elana Wambolt

Andrew Allison Watson (Hon. Chemistry: summa cum laude)

Alicia Marie Webster

Ashley Patricia Weir (Hon. Biology) Dillon C. White (Hon. Geology)

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HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS

At this year's Spring Convocations, Saint Mary's University will confer six honorary degrees: three in the morning and three in the afternoon.

MORNING CEREMONY

Terry O'Reilly: Doctor of Civil Law (honoris causa)

Canadian advertising personality Terry O'Reilly is best known as host of three CBC Radio One series: O 'Reilly on Advertising, The Age of Persuasion and Under The Influence. An award winning copywriter and director, he has become the 'voice of advertising'.

O'Reilly began his career in the early 80's as a copywriter, working for some of Canada's leading creative agencies to create winning campaigns for many top brands.

In 1990, he co-founded Pirate Radio & Television, a creative audio production company producing scripts, sound and music for radio and television commercials. Pirate grew to a staff of 50, with eight recording studios in Toronto and New York City.

When Terry O'Reilly isn't creating advertising, he's writing books about it, and talking about it as the host of the award-winning CBC Radio One/Sirius Satellite/WBEZ Chicago radio show, "Under The Influence," a follow-up to his hit series, "The Age of Persuasion"

A passionate presenter, he's also in great demand as a keynote speaker, and is frequently invited to share his insights about the power of advertising with companies and organizations in all sectors. Renowned as an expert in his field, he has served as the Canadian judge for the inaugural Year of Radio at the Cannes Advertising Festival in France, and Radio Chairman for both the International Clio Awards in Miami, and the London International Advertising Awards.

For his writing and directing, Terry O'Reilly has won a few hundred national and international awards, including three for lifetime achievement. The New York Radio Festivals awarded his show the Grand Prize as Best Radio Program in 2011, and again in 2012. iTunes chose it as "Best New Podcast of 2011".

He was also acknowledged with an Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from McMaster University in 2012, and an Honorary Bachelor of Applied Arts Degree from Humber College in 2014.

Terry O'Reilly has a wonderful wife and three lovely daughters.

He says they like some of his work.

DR. JOHN A. SULLIVAN: Doctor of Science (honoris causa)

Dr. John A. Sullivan is a Cardiothoracic Surgeon, a Professor in the Department of Surgery at Dalhousie University, and President for Doctors Nova Scotia. He is renowned for performing the first heart transplant in eastern Canada in 1988 and has since performed heart surgeries for countless Nova Scotians.

Born and raised in Halifax, Dr. Sullivan graduated from St. Mary's University with a Bachelor of Science in 1969 and from Dalhousie University's Medical School in 1974. After a one-year internship, he went on to general practice in Inverness, Cape Breton, returning to a General Surgery Residency at Dalhousie in 1976. Following the completion of residency training in Cardiothoracic Surgery, Dr. Sullivan spent a year as a Fellow in Cardiovascular Surgery at the Victoria General Hospital (Halifax) and completed n additional fellowship in Vascular Surgery at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston.

Since 1983, Dr. Sullivan has been an academic clinician at Dalhousie University. He served two terms as Division Head of Cardiac Surgery (1995-2005), during which time he was actively involved in the administrative, academic, research and clinical aspects of the division. Under his leadership, Dalhousie established an accredited residency training program in Cardiac Surgery.

Dr. Sullivan is a Director for the Maritime Heart Centre (a registered charity). A prolific writer with more than 50 research publications, he is the founding member and Past-President of the Atlantic Vascular Society and Past President of the Canadian Cardiovascular Society. In addition to serving as President of the QEI1 Health Sciences Centre Medical Staff Association, Dr. Sullivan was President of the District Medical Staff Association

Contributions to Dalhousie University and the Nova Scotia Health Authority have earned Dr. Sullivan many awards, including Dalhousie's 1999/2000 Excellence in Teaching Award, the 1999 Halifax Regional Municipality Community Recognition Award, the Peri-MP Award for resident teaching in 1999-2000, the 2002 Medical Staff Achievement Award and the Clinical Scholar Award in 2006.

For outstanding service to his province, Dr. Sullivan received a 2002 Commemorative Medal for the Queen's Golden Jubilee and a 2013 Commemorative Medal for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. A proud Santamarian, he received a University Alumni Distinguished Community Service Award in 2010 for his many contributions to Saint Mary's University and the medical community.

JULIE TOSKAN-CASALE: Doctor of Civil Law (honoris causa)

A committed philanthropist and Canadian business success story, Julie Toskan-Casale believes in the unlimited potential of individuals and collective communities. Since founding the Toskan Casale Foundation, she has directed her strengths and resources towards nurturing positive change for individuals in local communities across Canada.

In 1985. Ms. Toskan-Casale worked alongside Frank Angelo and her brother Frank Toskan as the two co-founded M-A-C Cosmetics Ltd., one of the cosmetic industry's biggest success stories. During her time with M-A-C, Ms. Toskan-Casale headed up the global marketing and public relations division. She was instrumental in the creation of the M-A-C AIDS Fund, which she also oversaw during her time with the company.

When Estee Lauder purchased M-A-C in 1998, Julie chose to continue with the aspect of life at M-A-C she had found most rewarding. She dedicated herself to the practice of engaged and informed philanthropy, determined to build a philanthropic venture with a strategic underpinning. In 1999, Julie became the first Canadian to graduate from the Rockefeller Foundation's Philanthropy Workshop. In 2001, along with Frank Toskan and Victor Casale, she established The Toskan Casale Foundation - a family foundation dedicated to supporting and strengthening community-based social programs and organizations.

In 2002, Julie created the Youth and Philanthropy Initiative (YPI), which combines inclass learning with community development experience to give high school students tools for understanding and engaging in philanthropic activity. YPI teaches the fundamentals of philanthropy while enhancing school curriculum to build students' presentation, research, writing, communication and consensus-building skills, while also increasing advocacy for, and funding grants to, local charitable organizations. Since its launch, the program has enabled young philanthropists to donate over \$10 million to community-based social service charities. YPI is currently run in over 200 schools across Canada, the UK and New York City.

Julie has been honoured as the recipient of the Hadassah-Wizo Organization of Canada's Woman of Achievement award (2007), the Association of Fundraising Professionals Greater Toronto Chapter's Outstanding Foundation award (2008), the Institute for Canadian Citizenship's Canadian Best Practice in Civic Education award (2010), the Premier's Award for Philanthropy in Education (2011), and the June Callwood Outstanding Achievement Award for Voluntarism (2014). Most recently, The Honourable Elizabeth Dowdeswell, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, awarded Julie Toskan-Casale the 2014 Ontario Medal for Good Citizenship.

AFTERNOON CONVOCATION

TALEB ABIDALI: Doctor of Civil Law (honoris causa)

Born in Iraq, Taleb Abidali has a long history in the construction field. He is one of the key players in the Halifax development industry and an influential leader in the city's Muslim and Arab communities.

Prior to settling in Canada, Mr. Abidali worked in Iraq as a Physical Education teacher and a school Principal. After achieving great success as the owner of a construction company in Kuwait, he established a food production company in Turkey, with distribution throughout the Middle East.

Motivated by the desire for something more, Mr. Abidali moved to Halifax in 1992 with his wife, a dentist. Two years later, he joined Cresco, working alongside his partner, Hossein Mousavi, to grow the business into one of the region's major developers.

A strong community advocate, Mr. Abidali has been involved with a number of organizations that promote Halifax abroad and support newcomers to Canada. He has been a member of the Bedford South Advisory School Board, Halifax Region Immigration Leadership Council, and the School Advisory Committee for Rocky Lake Junior High School. As well, he currently serves on the Board of Directors of Cobequid Community Health Centre and is the Chair of the Alrasoul Islamic Society. He has been instrumental in raising significant funds for both organizations.

Mr. Abidali's commitment to education, health and cultural diversity has had a strong impact on his business ethic. Cresco gives generously as an organization, sponsoring many minor sports teams and cultural organizations; and supporting a wealth of events, including the Prismatic Festival, the Cedar Festival, the Greek Festival, and Bedford Days. Cresco has been a multiple IWK Children's Miracle Telethon Sponsor, and has raised over \$50,000 for 'Bowl For Kids Sake' for Big Brothers Big Sisters.

For his many contributions to business and the community, Mr. Abidali has received a variety of honours, including the Business Person of the Year Award (2013) from the Halifax Chamber of Commerce, the Volunteer Distinguished Service Award (2013) and the Distinguished Business Person Award (2013), both from the Bedford Business Association.

Mr. Abidali and his wife live in Halifax. They have six children and three grandchildren.

MONIQUE F. LEROUX: Doctor of Commerce (honoris causa)

Monique F. Leroux is the Chair of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer of Desjardins Group, the leading cooperative financial group in Canada. As the first woman to lead a Top 10 financial institution in Canada, she is a champion for diversity in the financial industry and a role model for women.

Ms. Leroux holds several honorary doctorates, including one from Universite du Quebec a Chicoutimi, her alma mater. A member of the Order of Canada, officer of l'Ordre national du Quebec, and Fellow of the Institute of Corporate Directors, she has received the title of Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur, and been recognized with the Woodrow Wilson Award as well as an Outstanding Achievement Award from CPA Quebec. A true visionary and strategist, Ms. Leroux contributes her talents and energy as a member of the Canadian Council of Chief Executives, the Founders' Council of the Quebec Global 100 network, the Governing Board of Finance Montreal, the Advisory Committee on the Canadian Public Service, the Economic Advisory Council of the Minister of Finance of Canada, the Advisory Council on Women Entrepreneurs and Business Leaders, the Catalyst Canada Advisory Board, and the Trilateral Commission.

She is currently a member of the board of directors of the International Co-operative Alliance, the European Association of Co-operative Banks, the International Confederation of Popular Banks, and Credit Mutuel's subsidiary, CIC. From 2012 to 2015 she also chaired the Conseil quebecois de la cooperation et de la mutualite and was a member of the board of Co-operatives and Mutuals Canada.

Ms. Leroux co-founded the Quebec International Summit of Cooperatives, a biennial international economic and cooperative forum. She co-chaired its first two editions in 2012 and 2104 and will return in 2016.

A passionate advocate and mentor for women, she has been instrumental in establishing scholarships and internships for young women interested in finance. President of the Desjardins Foundation, she also lends her time to a host of not-for-profit organizations such as the Canada Summer Games - Sherbrooke 2013 and Montreal's 2014 United Way Campaign.

Monique F. Leroux lives in Montreal, where she was born and raised, with her husband and their daughter.

DR. JOHN H. MCARTHUR: Doctor of Commerce (honoris causa)

Dr. John H. McArthur is a trusted advisor to the Canadian government and sought-after consultant in the public and private sectors. As Dean of the Harvard Business School from 1980 through 1995, he expanded theoretical research, developed multidisciplinary approaches, and introduced important new fields of study.

Dr. McArthur has been a member of the Harvard Business School's faculty since 1962, teaching courses in corporate finance and related fields while also engaging in research and course development in Europe and North America. In 1973, he was appointed the Sylvan C. Coleman Professor of Financial Management, and in 1980, the George F. Baker Professor of Business Administration.

A native of Vancouver, British Columbia, Dr. McArthur earned a Bachelor of Commerce degree in Forestry from the University of British Columbia in 1957. At the Harvard Business School, he completed an MBA in 1959 and a doctorate in business administration in 1963.

Dr. McArthur currently chairs the Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada and in the past has held numerous corporate directorships, committee memberships, and consulting posts. In addition to a decade of service as Senior Advisor to the President of The World Bank, he was Trustee in Bankruptcy of Penn Central Transportation Company; a founding board member of the Canada Development Investment Corporation; a member of the Task Force on the Future of the Canadian Financial Services Sector; and chair of the Brigham and Women's Hospital. Following the affiliation of Brigham and Women's and Massachusetts General Hospital, he was founding co-chair of the Board of Trustees of Partners HealthCare System, Inc.

For his many contributions to business, government, education and health care, Dr. McArthur has received honorary doctorates from Middlebury College, Queens University, Simon Fraser University, the University of British Columbia, the University of Western Ontario, and the University of Navarra in Spain. Other honours include a Management Achievement Award from McGill University, a Harvard Statesman Award, and a Canadian Business Leadership Award. He also received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the U.S. National Association of Corporate Directors in 2010.

The citation for Dr. McArthur's 2013 appointment as an Officer of the Order of Canada lauded him for helping to invent the modern business school. His influence is evident at Harvard University in the John and Natty McArthur University Professorship and the Business School's McArthur Hall; and at Brigham and Women's Hospital in the John H. McArthur Fellowships in Medicine and Management.

PROFESSOR EMERITUS

ANNE MARIE DALTON

Dr. Dalton became a member of Department of Religious Studies at Saint Mary's University in 1993. She holds an M.A. in Theology from Fordham University and a Ph.D. in Religion and Culture from The Catholic University of America. Dr. Dalton has had a distinguished scholarly career at Saint Mary's. In summary. Dr. Dalton is a scholar with an international reputation whose career includes significant contributions as a researcher, teacher, and administrator

Dr. Dalton's two books reflect pioneering research in the areas of Religion and Ecology and Religion and International Development. She has an extensive publication record which includes articles in such important journals as the *Canadian Journal of Development Studies* and the *European Journal of Science and Theology* and chapters in various edited collections. In addition to being an active conference presenter. Dr. Dalton is frequently sought out as an invited speaker, especially in relation to her work on Religion and Ecology.

Numerous examples could be given of Dr. Dalton's excellence in teaching. Her contributions include innovative approaches in the classroom, development of many cross-appointed courses, and participation in teaching mentorship programs. Most notably, she has won a number of teaching awards, including a Templeton Award for Science and Religion. Dr. Dalton is well known in the University for building bridges between Religious Studies and various interdisciplinary programs. This has involved the supervision of students in these programs. Her work at the graduate level, for example, has included the supervision of ten MA students in International Development Studies.

Dr. Dalton is truly an exemplary university citizen and has consistently served the wider community in a variety of ways. In particular, she has been involved in many international projects at the University. She has played a leadership role with respect to the establishment of the joint MA in Theology and Religious Studies in partnership with Atlantic School of Theology (AST). In addition to being a member of several important University committees and serving her profession in various ways, Dr. Dalton has been active in the community especially with respect to initiatives related to ecology and climate change. There is no doubt that she has contributed extensively to building Saint Mary's reputation in positive ways.

RETIREMENTS

SAMAD AMIRKHALKHALI

Dr. Samad Amirkhalkhali joined the Department of Finance, Information Systems, and Management Science in September 1988. Dr. Amirkhalkhali has been an active researcher, and his research efforts have resulted in presentations in many national and international conferences. His work has been published in numerous conference proceedings, several book chapters, as well as articles in respected scholarly journals. including Canadian Journal of Economics, Economic Modeling, Empirical Economics, International Journal of Management & Information Systems, Southern Economic Journal, the Statistician (published by the Royal Statistical Society), Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation, International Business and Economics Research Journal, Journal of Business & Economics Research, and American Journal of Health Sciences. During his long career at Saint Mary's University, he has played a key role in the education of thousands of students in the Sobey School of Business. He helped develop and deliver core courses in business quantitative methods and statistics in the Bachelor of Commerce, MBA, and Master of Finance programs. Looking back over his time at SMU, Dr. Samad Amirkhalkhali is going to miss teaching, especially, first-year students, both in undergraduate and graduate programs.

DAVID CONE

The University Community respects Dr. Cone's request that no special recognition be made of his retirement

ANNE MARIE DALTON

See Professor Emeritus entry above.

ADAM PIORKO

Adam was born, raised, and educated in Poland. His education beyond the elementary level included five years in Chemistry Department at the Silesian Scientific Technical Institute, and five years at the Silesian Technical University. This education culminated in 1971 in both Professional Engineer license, and M.Sc. degree in Chemical Technology. After a period of work as an engineer in the industry, Adam decided to return to academia, and in 1979 defended his Ph.D. Thesis in Chemistry at Silesian University in Katowice, Poland. He arrived in Canada in 1981, and in his new homeland worked initially at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon. In September 1990, he joined the Department of Chemistry at Saint Mary's University. Adam's research includes studies on organic chemistry of iron complexes, as well as on chemistry and biochemistry of lipids, marine and fungal natural products. His real passion was teaching, and he taught since 1975 at three different universities, including nearly 25 years at Saint Mary's. He is proud and happy of his contribution to education of students, who now enjoy successful careers in wide range of professions, most of them in health sciences and in academia

VALEDICTORIANS

MORNING CONVOCATION

ANDREW SETH JAMIESON

Andrew Seth Jamieson was born in Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia, and is the middle sibling among four brothers and one sister. Today he is graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in Honours Psychology, *summa cum laude*. Andrew hopes to use his undergraduate degree from Saint Mary's to eventually become a lawyer. He is also a local musician and songwriter, and plans to take his music around the world, as traveling is always a part of his future planning.

Andrew credits much of his success in the undergraduate program to the support he received from various faculty members in psychology. He says the professors here are uniquely interested in each student, which provides a sense of empowerment. Further, he attributes his positive experience at Saint Mary's University to the overall sense of community and belonging that Saint Mary's provides.

AFTERNOON CONVOCATION

DYLAN MACDONALD

Dylan Alexander Finlay MacDonald came to Halifax from the village of Inverness, Cape Breton Island in the Fall of 2011. Dylan is the youngest of five siblings, and the last son of David and Sandra MacDonald. He came to Saint Mary's University from this small village to pursue his Bachelor's Degree of Commerce. Today, Dylan will be graduating from Saint Mary's University, with a Bachelor's Degree of Commerce in Human Resource Management and Industrial Relations, *magna cum laude* as well as with a Certificate in Human Resource Management.

He has been seen in a variety of capacities around campus: as a Residence Assistant, a frequent volunteer, a connoisseur of libraries, an audio technician, and most recently as the host of the Gorsebrook pub's weekly Open Mic. These different roles have helped him to develop a reputation as an avid musician, a dedicated academic, and most of all, a welcoming individual. Throughout his Undergraduate career at Saint Mary's, Dylan also owned and operated a small business in the audio technical field. He played in many of the bars in the chy of Halifax and beyond; with some of the best musicians this city has to offer. In conjunction with his running of an independent small business, Dylan has maintained a more than competitive grade point average, putting him on the Dean's list for the majority of his academic journey.

With a successful four-year academic career behind him, Dylan will be moving on to study Law, at the University of New Brunswick where he will earn his Juris Doctor. Dylan attributes his success to friends, family, his significant other, and most certainly the faculty at the Sobey School of business and the academic community of Saint Mary's University at large.

HISTORY OF SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY

Saint Mary's University was founded in 1802 to provide opportunities for higher learning to young Catholic men. Its founder, the Reverend Edmund Burke, had meagre resources to work with, but on later being named Bishop with responsibility for Nova Scotia, he continued to support the college as essential to the development of the Catholic community. In 1841, the Nova Scotia House of Assembly gave formal recognition of its academic role. Its legal status was confirmed in perpetuity by enactment in 1852.

In 1913, the Christian Brothers of Ireland, a teaching order, were invited by the Archdiocese of Halifax to direct the college and its academic program. During the ensuing years. Saint Mary's University became more widely known for the quality of its undergraduate teaching and continued to develop new instructional programs, most notably within its Faculty of Commerce. In 1940, the Upper Canada Province of The Society of Jesus was invited to succeed the Christian Brothers as administrators and teachers in the University, and for thirty years until the enactment in 1970 of the new act of incorporation, the college remained under Jesuit supervision. The long-standing emphasis on liberal arts and commerce was extended to include new programs in science, engineering, and teacher education. Extension courses became an important part of the University's commitment to an active educational role in the community. The last two decades have seen a complete transformation of the facilities on campus. Loyola Academic and Residences, the Science Building and most recently, the McNally Building, have been totally rebuilt. Expansion began with the Sobey Building in 1998 and has accelerated in recent years: the Science Building addition in 2008, the Atrium in 2010, the Homburg Centre for Health and Wellness in 2012 and the Northeast Campus facility in 2013.

In the year 2002-2003, the University celebrated its 200th Anniversary in a yearlong series of celebratory events. The celebration provided a marvelous retrospective of our past and set the stage for the University's significant role in the 21 st Century. This has been guided by the Academic Plan, most recently updated for 2012-2017.

In December 2005, a new focus on the image of Saint Mary's University was unveiled. "SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY. ONE UNIVERSITY. ONE WORLD. YOURS. This powerful statement captures the fundamental nature of today's Saint Mary's". "It encompasses our strategic directions and our vision to be the University of Choice for aspiring citizens of the world". Each of the three elements of rallying cry has a significant and thoughtful meaning:

One University: Our singular vision and commitment

One World: Unlimited possibilities

Yours: The challenge and the responsibility for all Santamarians

AN EXPLANATION FOR OUR GUESTS: THE CONVOCATION CEREMONY

The Procession

The ceremony starts with the procession — the entering of the members of Convocation, beginning with the Marshall of Convocation and the students who will be presented with degrees, diplomas, and certificates during the service. As the students fill up the chairs in the Scotiabank Centre, they will give the impression that today's ceremony really is, as convocations traditionally were, a meeting of the whole University. (The word "convocation" means "calling-together".) Indeed, the Scotiabank Centre could not hold all the individuals who are part of Saint Mary's — the students, the professors, the administration, the staff, and a large number of alumni around the world — not to mention their families and friends.

Next in the procession are special guests, the Members of Faculty, the Board of Governors, and the Deans of the Faculties.

Next are honorary degree recipients. In addition to "earned" degrees awarded to students who have studied and met the usual requirements, annually the University confers several "honorary" degrees on individuals who have been designated by the University's Board of Governors and Senate as deserving special honour. To symbolize the degrees, they will receive hoods trimmed with specially designated colours. The person receiving this honour will be introduced during the Convocation ceremony and a brief text is read to explain why he/she merits the award. Details are found in the earlier portion in this program.

The final members of the academic procession are the Vice-President, Academic and Research (who presides over Convocation), the President, and the Chancellor.

Many will have colourful gowns and hoods of institutions from across Canada, the United States, and many nations of the world.

The Ceremonial Mace

The ceremonial mace, which is carried by the Marshall of Convocation at the head of the academic procession, was presented to Saint Mary's in April 1980 and used for the first time at the Spring Convocation of that same year. It symbolizes the University's authority to grant degrees. It was made and presented to the University by Maritime Command in recognition of Saint Mary's alumni killed in both world wars and also in recognition of serving members of the Canadian Armed Forces who have been students at the University.

The mace is made of oak with a cast brass crown and brass plates carrying traditional ceremonial engravings. The plates represent the contribution to Saint Mary's by the Jesuit Fathers, the Christian Brothers of Ireland, the Archdiocese of Halifax, the LaSalle Christian Brothers, the Lay Teachers, and the Armed Forces.

University Crest

Designed in the 1940's by the Reverend Daniel Fogarty, S.J., then Dean of Education, each symbol in the crest has significance relevant to the various phases and history of the University.

On the outer portion of the crest, the name and location of the University are inscribed in Latin and, in Roman numerals (1841), the date the University received its charter authorizing it to grant degrees.

The book shown above the shield represents learning and knowledge. The inscription on the page of the book is in Latin — "Age Quod Agis". This is the motto of the University which exhorts all those connected with the University to strive to do their best in everything that they do. This quotation is from the Irish Christian Brothers and symbolizes their contribution to the development of the institution.

The upper part of the shield has the official seal of the Jesuits with I.H.S. being the Greek initials for Christ's name. Below these initials are the three nails which represent the Crucifixion, and surrounding these is the Crown of Thorns. The two crowns represent a dual loyalty - to the then Dominion of Canada and to the British Commonwealth. Below these crowns is the thistle, which stands for Nova Scotia's Scottish heritage.

The Presidential Medallion of Office

On 22 October 2000, a Medallion of Office was officially presented to the University and used for the first time that same day at the installation of Dr. J. Colin Dodds as President. Designed and crafted by James Bradshaw and Bruce Babcock of James Bradshaw Jewelry Design Studios, Inc., Halifax, its centre is a University Gold Medal, traditionally awarded to the top graduating students. It symbolizes the University's deep commitment to academic excellence. It is surrounded by contrasting sterling silver, representing the diversity of the institution's students and of its academic programs. It was generously presented by Mary Eileen Donahoe and her family as a memorial to the late Senator Richard A. Donahoe, Q.C., K.S.G., LL.D. (Hon.), a member of one of the University's earliest Boards of Governors, in recognition of his career of public service and his love of Saint Mary's.

The Hooding Ceremony

As you will observe, all the graduates and members of the academic procession are attired in the basic elements of formal academic dress, which at Saint Mary's follows the general guidelines established at Oxford and Cambridge Universities in England. Formal attire consists of academic robe, hood and mortar board, although at Saint Mary's the latter is limited to Master's graduates only. The academic dress worn by each participant depends upon that academic level attained. There is special attire for the Bachelor, Master, and Doctoral level candidates. While tradition has dictated the style or cut of the academic attire, each post-secondary institution, for the most part, will amend certain details of the attire to suit its own particular tastes and traditions.

The academic hood which each graduate is wearing symbolizes the degree into which the student will be or has been admitted. The hood itself traces its tradition back to the Middle Ages, when its prototype, with a cowl-like appendage and tail, was used to cover the shoulders in the cold and draughty medieval buildings or in inclement weather. Gradually this garment was modified and the hood assumed an academic rather than functional significance. The hood has two basic elements: the trim on the outer edge and an inner satin lining. Each hood has its outer edge trimmed with a colour to indicate a particular faculty and degree: white symbolizes Arts; gold. Science; grey, Commerce; and in 2013 we introduced a new hood with green trim for Environmental Studies. The hood for the Master's candidates is essentially the same as the Bachelor's hood except that the trim is usually an inch or two wider. All the Bachelor level hoods are lined with satin in the colours of the institution granting the degree. Hence at Saint Mary's the hood is lined with maroon satin with a white chevron. The Master's hood at Saint Mary's is lined with maroon satin only to give it added distinction from the Bachelor's.

A symbolic hooding ceremony has become a traditional feature of all Convocations at Saint Mary's.

Flags on the Stage

Each year Saint Mary's has a number of international students. The flags which you see displayed on the stage for Convocation are from some of the countries from which these students come, not necessarily graduating students, but those in any year of study. The globalization of the Saint Mary's University community is a feature of justifiable pride which contributes markedly to the growth and understanding of both Canadian and non-Canadian students.

Also included in the University's permanent collection of flags is one from the International Year of the Disabled signifying the University's permanent commitment to people with disabilities. Also part of this collection is that of the Mi'kmaqs' in recognition of their First Nation's Status. For the first time at our Spring 2002 Convocations the University's Bicentennial flag has taken its rightful place in our permanent collection.

Graduation Alumni Pins

The Alumni Association of Saint Mary's University has generously provided an Alumni Pin again this year. This is a tradition which started with the 1990 Spring Convocation. Graduates are encouraged to wear theirs with pride and to consider becoming an active member of the Association.

A symbolic presentation of an Alumni pin to the Hooding Candidate by the President of the Alumni Association has become a traditional feature of all of our Convocations.

Degrees and Diplomas Awarded with Distinctions

At Saint Mary's University in the general undergraduate degree and diploma programs, academic distinctions are awarded to successful candidates on the basis of the following cumulative grade point averages of all courses taken at Saint Mary's University. There are no distinctions awarded in graduate and certificate programs.

B.A., B.Comm., & B.Sc.	Grade Point Average	Diploma in Engineering
summa cum laude	4.00 - 4.30	with greatest distinction
magna cum laude	3.85 -3.99	with great distinction
cum laude	3.70 - 3.84	with distinction

The President's Hall of Academic Excellence, located in the main hallway of the McNally Building, directly outside the President's Office, displays the names of all students who earned one of these distinctions. The Hall also includes the names of students who won academic medals at graduation.

Beta Gamma Sigma

Beta Gamma Sigma is the international honor society serving business programs accredited by AACSB International - The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. The Mission of the International Honor Society Beta Gamma Sigma is to encourage and honor academic achievement in the study of business, to foster personal and professional excellence, to advance the values of the Society, and to serve its lifelong members. Membership in Beta Gamma Sigma is the highest recognition a business student can receive in a business program accredited by AACSB International. Invitations to join BGS are extended to the highest achieving student in AACSB-accredited programs: undergraduate students with academic standing in the top 10% of their class, Master students in the top 20% of their class, and to all doctoral students completing the requirements for their degree.

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The University's symbols and traditions reflect its roots as well as looking to its future and the ritual of Convocation looks to the roots of the University as well as being a beginning for the students who now enter a new stage in their lives. Indeed, both the symbols and the Convocation look back far beyond the beginning of this University to the centuries of academic life in western civilization. Today the University dresses in clothes which are symbolic, not functional, and goes through the 600-year-old ritual of a convocation for the conferment of degrees, diplomas, and certificates.

We thank you for being present to share in it with the Saint Mary's University community.

Refreshments

The concession stands on both sides of the Scotiabank Centre on the concourse level will be open for an hour preceding each Convocation. They will NOT be open during the Convocation ceremonies.

Photography

The floor area immediately behind the boards has been left clear for the convenience of members of the audience who wish to take photographs during the ceremony. You may come to this area when it is close to the time that the parchment is to be conferred on the graduating student whose picture you wish to take. In order to ensure that there is no interference with the conferring of degrees, diplomas, and certificates, please note that the audience guests will not have access to the floor area.

Stage trappings will be left in place for approximately one half hour at the conclusion of each Convocation for students who wish to have photographs taken by family and friends against the backdrops on the stage.

There will also be photo backdrops of the University at the back of the floor area for pictures after the ceremony.

GradImages is the official photographer for our Convocation. Proofs will be sent to your home and via email within three to five days after graduation. Pictures can be ordered online, by phone or by mail. Graduation Images can be contacted at 800-372-3686 or via email at www.gradimages.ca.

Since photographs will be available, family members and guests are encouraged to remain in their seats, relax and enjoy the ceremony.

Framing of Parchments

Bookstore Diploma Framing Service available at the Scotiabank Centre in the Sports Bar on the Concourse Level, behind Section 10 (Harbour Side), following each Convocation ceremony. Three frame styles available from \$79.99 to 139.95 plus tax, as well as a variety of Saint Mary's branded memorabilia. Payment by Credit or Debit cards, and cash accepted.

Flowers

Fresh flowers are available for purchase on the Brunswick Street concourse before and after the ceremony, but not during the ceremony.

DVD

Convocation Blu-ray and DVD discs may be ordered online at: http://www.bigaro.ca/Saint-Marys-University-Halifax-Convocations.html