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TD Bank Financial Group Provides \$400,000 In Bursaries To Saint Mary's



TD Financial Group supports Saint Mary's Forever: Paul Clark, Senior Vice President, Atlantic Region, TD Canada Trust (left) and Dr. Terry Murphy, Academic Vice President at Saint Mary's, present Korey Nixon with the TD Bank Financial Group Bursary. Nixon, who is a student in the Sobey School of Business at Saint Mary's, is the first recipient of this Bursary.

On Thursday, October 14, Saint Mary's University was the recipient of a \$400,000 pledge received from TD Bank Financial Group. The gift will be used to establish an endowment that will provide financial aid for students. It will generate seven annual bursaries in perpetuity with a value of \$2,500 each, making them the largest bursaries ever awarded at Saint Mary's.

The first recipient of the TD Bank Financial Group Bursary is Korey Nixon, a third year student at Saint Mary's Sobey School of Business. "It's an honour to be the first recipient of this gift," says Nixon. "This support allows me to focus on what matters most in my life right now, and that's obtaining my degree."

Nixon is earning a double major in Economics and Finance, and has been active in community outreach. He has been a contributor to *The Saint Mary's Journal* and volunteers with the West End Halifax Baptist Church. He is also an Assistant Coach for the New Minas Boys Soccer Team.

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Chief Justice Conducts Agnes Dennis Lecture At Saint Mary's



Rt. Hon. Beverley McLachlin, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, standing with Marion Christie, granddaughter of Agnes Dennis after the lecture on October 23 at Saint Mary's.

Beverley McLachlin, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, presented the Agnes Dennis Lecture on Saturday, October 23, 2004 to a full house in the Saint Mary's Sobey Conference Theatre.

The Chief Justice spoke about what women judges bring to the courts process and about equality on the Supreme Court of Canada.

The Halifax Local Council of Women and Nova Scotia Advisory Council on the Status of Women partnered to present the Agnes Dennis Lecture. This year, they are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Local Council House on Inglis Street in Halifax. They plan to hold a lecture each year honouring a distinguished figure in women's history, such as Agnes Dennis.

Also in attendance was Marion Christie, granddaughter of Agnes Dennis. ♦

NSERC Increases Saint Mary's Research Capacity

On October 20, the Honourable Geoff Regan, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans, on behalf of the Honourable David L. Emerson, Minister of Industry, announced that Saint Mary's University will receive a major boost in funding from the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) of Canada.

Our south end University will receive nearly \$1.5 million over the next five years in order to increase its research capacity. Saint Mary's already receives nearly \$1 million annually from NSERC. "This investment is important to the research community in Nova Scotia," says Minister Regan.

"It's important to make the most of Canada's research talent," says Minister Emerson. "This investment will create new options for professors and students, as well as help spread a culture of research and innovation across the country."

The funding is made available through the Research Capacity Development (RCD) in Small Universities Pilot Program, a new initiative of NSERC. A total of \$2.95 million has been awarded to a number of small universities in Nova Scotia.

"Even if they concentrate on just a few areas, small universities need help to provide the infrastructure needed for excellent research," says NSERC President Tom Brzustowski. "The RCD Pilot Program helps them to meet their particular

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We're Leaders In International Education: Saint Mary's President and Director of Student Services Recognized by CBIE

Two prominent members of Saint Mary's University have been acknowledged by the Canadian Bureau for International Education (CBIE) for their hard work and dedication in promoting international education.

Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President of Saint Mary's, has been appointed by CBIE to begin a one-year term as Chair-designate in November 2004-05 at the Annual General Meeting, followed by a two year term as Chair (2005-07) and one year as Past-Chair (2007-08). The Annual General Meeting will run from November 14 to 17 in Ottawa, Ont..

Dr. Dodds has an extensive background in international education. Through his leadership, the University has been successful in assisting Canada's international development initiatives in Asia, Africa, Central and Eastern Europe, and South America. International enrollment at Saint Mary's is now more than 11%, comprised of students from over 80 countries.

"Our focus is on access to education, for students from within our community and beyond our borders," says Dr. Dodds.

"It is vital that our graduates have the skills needed to thrive in this increasingly complex and changing world. They need the specialized knowledge that will make them global citizens. This is why we encourage international experience with study and work-based programs," he adds.

Students at Saint Mary's are encouraged to take courses and programs across the faculties. Several interdisciplinary programs are offered, including Asian studies and international development, among others.

Dr. Dodds currently serves as President of the Council of Nova Scotia University Presidents, and has been named one of Atlantic Canada's top CEOs by *Atlantic Business Magazine*.

At the same conference in November, Keith Hotchkiss, Director of Student Services at Saint Mary's, will be presented with the Exemplary Service to CBIE Award, which recognizes exceptional voluntary service.

Mr. Hotchkiss has extensive experience with CBIE. He was a member of the CBIE Board for six years from 1997 to 2003. During that time he chaired or sat on a number of sub-committees. This included the Executive Committee, the Membership Relations Committee, the Conference Program Committee, the Nomination and Elections Committee, as well as being one of the driving forces behind the development of CBIE's new Communication Plan.

Mr. Hotchkiss continues to be called upon for consultation and assistance by CBIE staff on a variety of issues that impact organization, international students, and international education.

Mr. Hotchkiss began attending CBIE conferences in the 1980s, when, in his role as Director of Student Services, he became responsible for advising international students on campus, in addition to serving as their voice with senior management and at Senate. He has driven to the airport at all hours to meet international students, and tirelessly supported the CBIE welcome service for as long as it has been providing service to the Halifax airport.

He helped establish the WUSC Refugee program on campus, has served on project and review committees, and worked on a volunteer basis with numerous organizations, such as the Atlantic Association of College and University Student Services, and the Canadian College and University Food Service Association, always working as an advocate for international students. He has been involved in projects in Bosnia, Eritrea, and the Gambia. He has served on internal University committees that were instrumental in bringing about changes to campus life (food services, residence, academic support services, scholarships, and the International Student Office).

The Canadian Bureau for International Education (CBIE) is a national not-for-profit, educational association made up of nearly 200 school boards, colleges, universities and associates. It is involved in both aid-supported and trade-related educational projects around the world.

Past Saint Mary's University winners of CBIE Internationalization Awards are former President Dr. Kenneth Ozmon and the Director of International Activities, Denis Leclaire. ♦

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HONORARY DEGREES

Four Honorary Degree Recipients At Fall Convocation

There will be four distinguished individuals receiving honorary degrees from Saint Mary's at the Fall 2004 Convocation on November 14. This year, Dr. George Barron, Janet F. Kitz, the Honorable Wayne Adams, and Chief Lawrence Paul will be honoured for their contribution and leadership in their communities.

Dr. George Barron, a mycologist, will receive an Honorary Doctorate in Science. He is known as one of the most prominent scientists in Canada. In addition to winning numerous awards in his field and publishing a myriad of books, Dr. Barron has a legendary reputation as an educator. Saint Mary's is pleased to honour him for his commitment to teaching and research.

Ms. Janet F. Kitz will receive an Honorary Doctorate of Letters. She is a former Saint Mary's student. Born in Scotland, she arrived in Halifax in 1971, and graduated with a degree in Anthropology in 1980. She has since gained notability as an author and broadcaster. She has provided archival and academic research for over 20 years on the Halifax Explosion, contributing greatly to the Atlantic Canada Studies Program and Gorsebrook Research Institute at our university.

The **Honorable Wayne Adams** will receive an Honorary Doctorate in Civil Law. He has had a remarkable career in public service and is a role model for African Canadians and young people. His Order of Canada Citation refers to him as "paving the way for generations of young people." He is a former Municipal Councillor, MLA and Provincial Cabinet Minister. He has been a broadcaster and columnist, and a community worker. He is the founding member of the Black Cultural Society of Nova Scotia and former President of the Nova Scotia Home for Coloured Children.

Also receiving an Honorary Doctorate in Civil Law is **Chief Lawrence Paul**. He is the First Nations Chief of the Millbrook Band, in addition to Truro and satellite reserves at Sheet Harbour, Beaverdam and Cole Harbour. He is Chair of the Assembly of Nova Scotia Chiefs, a businessman and a community leader. In his community work he has dealt with issues such as social justice, education, health, and housing. He has been instrumental in making Millbrook a vibrant and growing community where economic development and social programs have flourished. Such projects include the Truro Power Centre and a new partnership with General Dynamics.

Atlantic Metropolis Atlantique (AMA) to Host the Conference:

Immigration and Outmigration: Atlantic Canada at a Crossroads

Leading university researchers, business leaders, policy makers from all levels of government and heads of immigration organizations from across Canada will gather in Halifax, Nova Scotia on November 18 to 19 to assess the factors responsible for Atlantic Canada's challenges in attracting and retaining immigrants and to determine what can be done to reverse this trend.

This will be the first pan-Canadian conference to focus on the issue of regional attraction and the integration of immigrants in Canada, and Saint Mary's is taking a lead role in organizing this two day event.

The conference will offer a comprehensive overview of immigration issues, both academic and practical, as they relate to Canada and, more specifically, to Atlantic Canada.

The two-day event, hosted by the Atlantic Metropolis Atlantique (AMA) and its partners, will feature plenary sessions and workshops as well as speakers who are leaders in their fields, including Jeffrey Simpson, columnist with the *Globe and Mail*; The Honorable Jamie Muir, Nova Scotia Minister of Education; Fariborz Birjandian, Alberta Association of Immigrant Serving Agencies; Tony Lampart, Business New Brunswick; and Barry Edmonston of Portland State University.

Immigration has helped maintain population growth for Canada as a whole, but has been uneven. According to the 1996 and 2001 censuses, the decrease in Atlantic Canada's population can be attributed to two key factors: a loss of native-born population and the region's inability to attract, and subsequently retain, more than a very small share of the new immigrants coming to Canada. Loss of both human and financial capital, as economists will tell us, is symptomatic of a declining economy.

The AMA is a consortium of academic researchers, representatives of government, and non-governmental organizations dedicated to pursuing policy relevant research related to immigration, population migrations and cultural diversity. It works with other Canadian and International Metropolis Centers.

For more information on the Conference, visit <http://www.atlantic.metropolis.net> ♦

Thank You, Madeleine Lefebvre!

The Canadian Library Association gratefully acknowledges the contribution of Saint Mary's University towards CLA's mission and values, during the presidency of its University Librarian, Madeleine Lefebvre for 2003/2004.



Saint Mary's Astronomer Helps Church Rediscover Secret In The Stars

By Kenneth Alexander-Greer, SPARK Writer (Via NSERC)

Dr. David Turner has used the power of technology to uncover a hidden secret at one of Canada's most historic churches.

On Thursday, October 7, 2004, the Saint Mary's astronomer revealed his discovery at St. John's Anglican Church in Lunenburg, as American Express handed over an \$80,000 (US) cheque to the restoration committee.

The support from one of the world's largest financial institutions will be used to restore decorative paintings and recreate murals on the wood-paneled chancel walls of the church that was destroyed by fire three years ago this Halloween. The cause of the fire is still unknown.

"I love a mystery as much as anyone," says Dr. Turner. Dr. Turner has walked through the grand doors of the church many times over the years; however, he never took notice of the array of gold leaf stars painted on the ceiling, which forms a curved canopy over the front of the church.

Known for his work in astronomy, Dr. Turner was asked by the restoration team to find out whether the stars represented anything significant. It was a request he could not turn down. As he thought about the stars painted on the

ceiling of the Lunenburg church, Dr Turner says he thought they might represent something in the 19th-century skies that would be of interest to mariners or the church.

The church was designed as a simple wooden meeting house in 1754. Gothic architecture was added in 1840, and the church was expanded again in the late 19th century. Dr. Turner looked at photographs of the original ceiling, but they didn't capture the entire domed ceiling.

"The star patterns appeared to be random," he says. "One constellation did look familiar, like Perseus, but it wasn't right. Its placement in the night sky and orientation were off," he says.

So he took some desktop planetary software and started running some tests. He put the constellation over Bethlehem, but it still wasn't right. Then he decided to look at what the sky would have been like 2,000 years ago on the date Christians celebrate as Jesus' birth. "It didn't work" he explains, "It was oriented wrong."

He then programmed the night sky of Lunenburg on Dec. 24, 1 BC — and he had a match. "That's how the sky would have appeared at sunset on Dec. 24, the beginning of Christmas Day, two millennia ago," he says. "I am delighted to have played a part in uncovering the special significance of the chapel ceiling stars."

Local artist J.J. Coolen of Lunenburg will now complete her work placing the gold stars onto the blue-domed ceiling.

The St. John's Anglican Church in Lunenburg has been named one of the 100 most endangered sites in the world by World Monuments Watch, a non-profit group funded by American Express. In May, the program announced the church would be one of 10 projects around the world to receive money to help rebuild. The announcement puts the Lunenburg church in the same ranks as the Great Wall of China, temples in Egypt, French cathedrals, Indian palaces and Russian synagogues.

Two-thirds of the restoration of the church is now completed.

The next major effort is to restore the pews. The first church service will be held June 12, 2005. ♦



Saint Mary's astronomer, Dr. David Turner, is one of the stars in the restoration project of St. John's Anglican Church in Lunenburg, NS — a site that has been named to the same ranks as the Great Wall of China, temples in Egypt, French cathedrals, Indian palaces and Russian synagogues.

Santamarians Shine At 15th Annual "Women Of Excellence" Awards

Two distinguished Santamarians were recognized by the Canadian Progress Club Halifax-Cornwallis' 15th annual Women of Excellence Awards on Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2004. Sarah Dennis, member of Saint Mary's University Board of Governors, and Tanya Shaw Weeks, a Saint Mary's graduate, were honoured for their respective contributions to the business community.

Sarah Dennis was recognized in the Corporate Management & The Professions category. She graduated from Saint Mary's with an MBA in Marketing in 1997, and currently serves on the Board of Governors. She is Vice-President of Brand and Content for the Halifax Herald Ltd., publishers of The Chronicle Herald and The Sunday Herald.

In addition to her pivotal role at the Halifax Herald Ltd., Ms. Dennis has been an active volunteer on the Boards of the VON, The Canadian Newspaper Association, and The Canadian Press. She currently serves on the Board of APEC (The Atlantic Provinces Economic Council), and the IWK Health center, where she was chair of the board for the past two years.

Ms. Dennis also volunteers for The Canadian Cancer Society and the Nova Scotia Cystic Fibrosis Association.

Tanya Shaw Weeks was recognized in the Entrepreneur/Innovator category as an example of entrepreneurial spirit, tenacity, and dedication. A respected Saint Mary's University graduate, she is now the CEO of Unique Solutions, which she founded in 1994 with a vision that has revolutionized the sewing and apparel industry.

Unique Solutions provides world-wide custom-fit patterns drafted specifically to an individual's measurements. It offers world-wide patterns throughout Unique Patterns the world's largest custom-fit pattern company, and the "bodyscanner," a technology that scans the body in less than a minute for accurate measurements.

Tanya Shaw Weeks has been the recipient of numerous awards, including Canada's Top 40 Under 40 in 2003, and the Sara Kirks Award in 2004.

Saint Mary's University, which now has over 30,000 alumni world wide, is known for graduating global citizens. ♦

Salt Marsh Geomorphology: Physical And Ecological Effects On Landform

Saint Mary's University hosted the 2004 Chapman Conference from October 9-13th. The overall purpose of this meeting was to gain a better understanding of the interactions between biotic and abiotic components of the environment affecting the development and subsistence of salt marsh ecosystems.

Salt marshes are found around the edges of coastal bays that flood with seawater during high tide and are covered primarily by grasses. Coastal salt marshes are some of the most biologically productive ecosystems in the world. In addition to supporting high commercial and recreational fisheries yield, marsh-dominated systems provide a buffer against intense coastal storms, affording protection to economically vital urban environments on adjacent uplands.

The intertidal marshes and mudflats are fragile ecosystems however, and they are severely impacted by a combination of anthropogenic activities, sea level rise and global climate change. If we are to successfully manage and sustain these vital elements of the coastal landscape, it is essential that we understand the combination of geological, biological and hydrodynamic factors that shape their overall level of productivity and geomorphology.

A Chapman Conference, sponsored by the American Geophysical Union, was convened in Halifax to discuss the many factors threatening coastal marshes and to determine what courses of action can be taken to save them.

Dr. Danika van Proosdij, an assistant professor in the Department of Geography at Saint Mary's, was one of four conveners for the meeting. Over 75 people including university scientists, graduate students, and coastal resource managers, attended. Canada, the U.S. and several countries in Europe were represented.

Chapman Conferences are small conferences with a focused agenda that provide significant time for discussion and interaction among the participants. This is critical because the expertise required to understand and manage the threats to coastal salt marshes is extremely varied. Thus the conference included scientists and managers from many different disciplines, including biology, geology, ecology, physics, chemistry and mathematics.

A series of short, provocative presentations were delivered each day followed by extensive discussions between the participants. The overall goal of the meeting was to update our understanding of the processes that occur in salt marshes, including those that increase their long-term stability as well as those contributing to their degradation. This increased understanding should lead to new solutions for preserving this critical component of the Earth's biosphere.

The Conference wasn't all work however. Two field trips were made to salt marshes in the Bay of Fundy and along the Atlantic East Shore during the conference week. The Bay of Fundy has one of the largest tidal ranges in the world. Experiencing these extreme tides and seeing the marshes that develop in macrotidal systems was a first for most of the attendees. Following one of the field trips the meeting convened at Acadia University, then returned to Saint Mary's the following day for more presentations and final discussions.

More information on the Conference can be obtained by visiting <http://www.geol.sc.edu/chapman/> ♦

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challenges in developing their strengths."

The RCD Pilot Program is one of the new initiatives NSERC has launched to fill some significant gaps in Canada's innovation system. These initiatives are designed to help Canada become a nation of discoverers and innovators.

NSERC is a key federal agency investing in people, discovery and innovation. It supports both basic university research through research grants, and project research through partnerships among post-secondary institutions, government and the private sector, as well as the advanced training of highly qualified people. ♦

Alumni 2004: Celebrating The Global Spirit Of Saint Mary's

Honouring The Past, Present, And Future

October was a month of celebration at Saint Mary's. This year's Homecoming Weekend, which ran from Oct. 14-17, showed that Santamarian spirit is stronger than ever. Alumni from across Canada and around the world returned to bond with the current generation of students and celebrate the international side of Saint Mary's.

It was an action-packed weekend, with sporting events, ceremonies, reunions, the Golden Grad Luncheon and the Annual Alumni Dinner and Dance. Saint Mary's has a proud tradition of drawing great students from all over the world, and the 2004 Alumni celebrations provided the perfect opportunity to acknowledge this heritage.

Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President of Saint Mary's, paid tribute to the University's ethnic and cultural diversity throughout the weekend. Some of the guest speakers this year came from abroad to recount their university days at Saint Mary's.

Décor at the Annual Alumni Dinner and Dance completed the spirit. Flags from a host of nations hung from the rafters at Pier 21, and ethnic decorations were displayed throughout. Mr. Guido Kelly, a native of Trinidad who received his Diploma in Engineering in 1970, gave the toast. In his response to the toast, Dr. Dodds recounted his days in England, and his experiences at Saint Mary's.

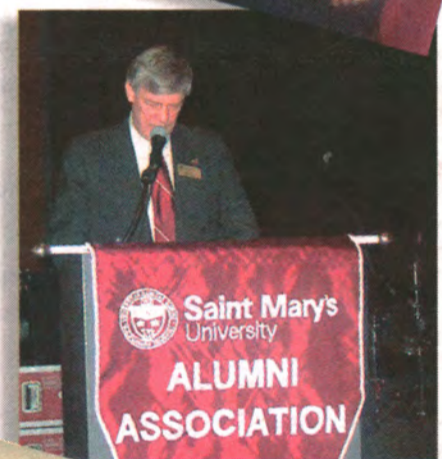
Alumni Weekend & Homecoming 2004 was also about special reunions. The classes of '54, '79, and '94 were honoured. Four distinguished Santamarians were inducted into the Sport Hall of Fame, three of whom appeared at the Induction Ceremony to regale the crowd with stories and memories.

Yet the focus of these events wasn't entirely directed at the past. At the Golden Grad Luncheon a plaque was unveiled in honour of Gilbert Bento Correia (Class of '54), and his wife Claire L. (Murphy) Correia, both of whom have made an exceedingly generous donation of funds towards a future seminar room in the Department of History.

The Correia Seminar Room will be a flexible teaching and meeting place, fully wired for up-to-date electronic and audio/visual use, yet conducive to discussion and seminar learning.



(From L to R) Dr. David Murphy, Director of Athletics and Recreation; Sue Dunbrack-Beazley, Sport Hall of Fame 2004 Inductee; Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President of Saint Mary's; and Kathy Mullane, Athletics and Recreation Department, at the 2004 Sport Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony.



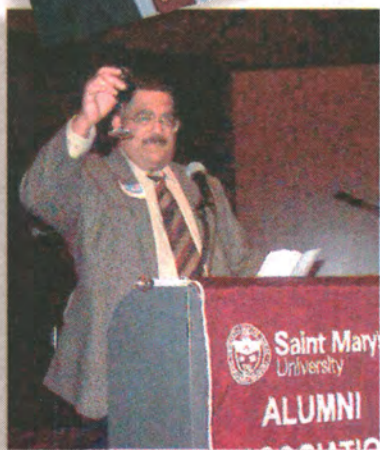
Dr. Dodds: Cricket at Saint Mary's? Not likely, though Dr. Dodds did mention it at the Annual Alumni dinner...



Class of '54 (From L to R) Gilbert Correia, "Spike" Mathews, John Granville, and Eric Duggan, sharing memories at the Golden Grad Luncheon.



Gilbert Bento Correia (Class of '54), and his wife Claire L. (Murphy) Correia, beside the plaque that was unveiled in their honour. The Correias have generously donated funds towards a new seminar room in the History Department.



Guido Kelly, DEng'70, delivering the toast at the Alumni Dinner. Originally from Trinidad, Mr. Kelly is one of countless Saint Mary's graduates from around the world.

Huskies Football Team Suffers Loss For United Way

The launch of the annual United Way Campaign on Wednesday, October 13, at Saint Mary's University was a success. Drove of students, faculty and staff turned out for the tug of war and barbecue which was held at The Tower. The community is giving generously. As of Nov. 5, 90% of the targeted funds had been raised. But the United Way still needs our help. It's not too late to donate, and the United Way encourages all to contribute. The campaign is running to Nov. 19.

The goal of this year's campaign is to raise \$26,000.00. This year the Saint Mary's Business Development Centre is heading up the campaign. "Saint Mary's faculty, staff, students, and alumni have contributed to the well being of our community for over 200 years, and it is in this spirit that we continue to support the United Way Campaign," says Chuck Bridges, Vice-President (Assoc.) of External Affairs at Saint Mary's.

One of the big highlights from the October 13 launch was the Tug-of-War match between the Huskies Football Champions, captained by University President, Dr. J. Colin Dodds, and the student, faculty and staff team, captained by the Huskies Mascot. The students, faculty and staff team won the match. All participants celebrated the kick-off with a variety of grilled foods and desserts. ♦



Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President of Saint Mary's, and members of the Huskies Football Team in action during the Tug-of-War match.

Is Poverty a Crime?

Saint Mary's University, with the Law Commission of Canada, co-sponsored a colloquium focusing on the contemporary issues around poverty in urban centres across Canada, including Halifax.

"Criminalizing Poverty," which was held on November 8 and 9, 2004, attracted a large number of academics, policy makers, government officials, community workers, activists, and the general public. The event took place at Brunswick Street United Church in Halifax, NS.

The unique two day event was organized by Drs. Diane Crocker and Val Marie Johnson. Both are assistant professors in the Department of Sociology and Criminology at Saint Mary's, and both work in the fields of law and social issues.

"The colloquium will create a diverse and dynamic dialogue to address how government policies are changing in ways that over-regulate people with severely limited economic resources," says Dr. Crocker.

Dr. Johnson states, "The event will draw attention to, and allow debate on, recent trends toward criminalization in urban policy, cut-backs in publicly-funded services, shrinking public and publicly supported spaces, and diminished socially-shared commitments to human dignity and mutual responsibility."

On November 8, the colloquium presented two key note speakers. Joe Hermer is a sociology professor at the University of Toronto who is active on poverty issues. Grant Wanzel is President of the Creighton-Gerrish Development Corporation and Dean of the School of Architecture and Planning at Dalhousie University. Joe Hermer's talk focused on the effects of regulating poverty as a "crime" problem rather than as a social question. Grant Wanzel spoke about how urban design and planning can prevent or contribute to the impoverishment of public space in cities.

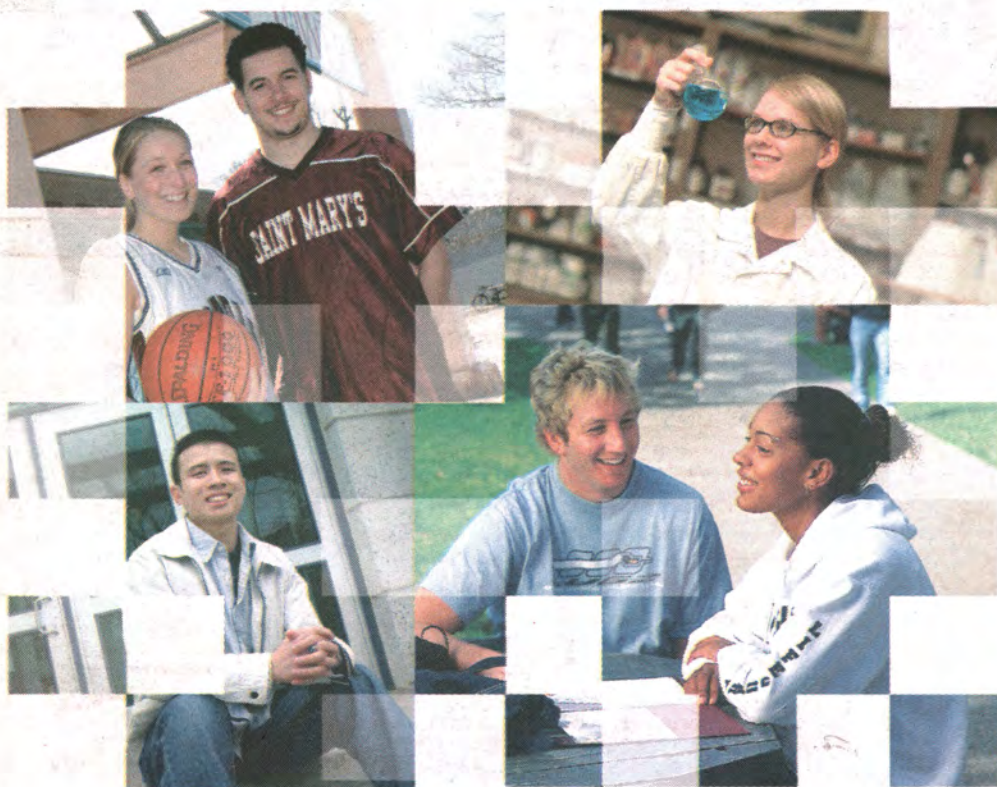
On November 9 the colloquium presented panels on issues such as homelessness, homeless shelters, social policies and community dynamics. They included academics, community workers and activists.

The Colloquium closed that evening with a Town Hall moderated by Costas Halavrezos of CBC Radio. This provided the community with an opportunity to discuss the criminalization of poverty, and address the central questions: Is poverty a crime? If so, what are the implications of this for social policy and our social fabric?

Drs. Crocker and Johnson are confident that the colloquium served to help bring together community, academic and political representatives, and will help contribute to solutions that minimize the use of criminal law or intense statutory regulations as ways of dealing with poverty in our city. ♦

Fall Preview Day

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Computer Science Huskies Make History

Saint Mary's University has shown yet again that its Computer Science (CS) Huskies are a force to be reckoned with.

The CS Huskies finished second overall in this year's APICS Programming Competition, held on October 15 at the University of New Brunswick in Saint John — a performance that continues an astounding string of successes.

There were 26 teams from across Atlantic Canada that competed in this year's event. The key players in this year's competition were Saint Mary's students Stuart Crosby, Andrew Doane, and Kate Patterson. The coaching team included Dr. Pawan Lingras, Dr. Sageev Oore, Blair Doyle, and Owen Smith, all of whom work in the Mathematics and Computing Science Department at Saint Mary's.

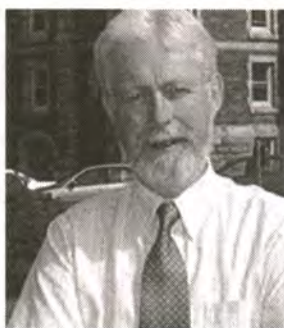
While Saint Mary's is known as an athletic powerhouse across Canada, the CS Huskies have now set an Atlantic record by reaching the regional championships seven years in a row. In that time they have been Atlantic champions four times (1999, 2000, 2002, and 2003), finished second twice (2001 and 2004), and finished third in 1998.

"Making it to the regional championships for seven straight years, including four Atlantic championships, is an indication of a strong program," says Dr. Lingras.

"The program has helped five or six generations of students, starting with those graduating in 1999, to current ones who will be graduating in 2005/2006 and beyond. Our long term planning allows senior students to mentor newcomers, and everyone benefits in the process."

APICS is a forum where math and computing scientists in the region share research and compete annually. The next competition for the CS Huskies will be at the Rochester Institute of Technology, in Rochester New York on November 13. There will be a large number of schools competing at this event, including MIT, Harvard, Brown, and the Rochester Institute of Technology among others. Canadian schools will include McGill, Concordia, UNB, and Mount Allison.

SMU Prof Elected To Royal Society Of Canada Fellowship



Dr. John Reid

The Faculty of Graduate Studies at Saint Mary's hosted a symposium in honour of Dr. John Reid on his election to Fellowship in the Royal Society of Canada on Friday, October 22 in the Sobeys Building. The event, "Eighteenth-Century Nova Scotia: Change and Continuity," attracted a large number of faculty, students and staff.

This past summer, the professor of history and Atlantic Canada Studies (ACS) was named a 2004 New Fellow with the prestigious organization, which is one of the most sought-after academic accolades. The Royal Society consists of scholars and scientists from all disciplines, who are dedicated to achieving excellence in their endeavours, thus enhancing Canada's competitiveness on a global basis.

"I am honoured to be named a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada," says Dr. Reid. According to the Royal Society of Canada, Dr. Reid was named a 2004 Fellow on the basis of his rich academic career, which reflects his work on the history of northeastern North America in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, as well as on the history of Atlantic Canada. He has combined meticulous archival research with a broad knowledge of new historical thought. As a result, he has made an original contribution to the study of history of the northeastern region of both Canada and the United States. This has led to his participation in international research projects, linking scholars in Europe and North America.

Dr. Reid is among sixty New Fellows named to the Royal Society of Canada this year. Gilles Paquet, President of the Society, states, "The Society is proud to celebrate the accomplishments of the New Fellows. They add in a meaningful and significant way to the extraordinary wealth of talent, expertise and experience of the society."

Paquet adds that Canadians have directly benefited from research conducted by these individuals, from extra-galactic work to the study of cultural synergies, the development of new medical devices and groundbreaking work on the Canadian political economy. The members of the Royal Society of Canada are among those who, today, build the world we live in tomorrow.

Dr. Reid will also take part in the Society's New Fellows induction ceremony in Ottawa on November 20. ♦

Saint Mary's History Professor Launches New Book

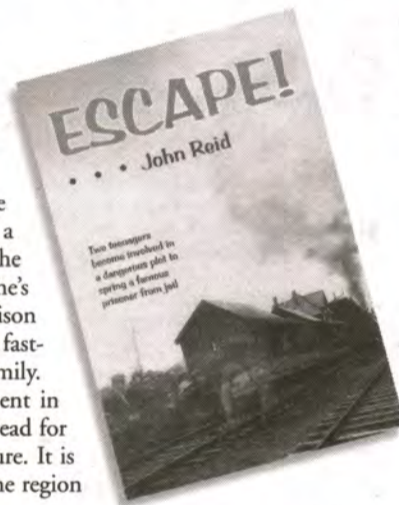
Dr. John Reid, a professor of history and Atlantic Canada Studies (ACS) at Saint Mary's, launched his new book, *Escape*, on Tuesday, October 27, 2004 in the Fourth Floor Lounge, Sobeys Building, Saint Mary's.

Escape is about a series of events that begin in the spring of 1917. Thirteen-year-old Alexi Gertoff meets a mysterious boy on the streets of Amherst, Nova Scotia. The boy, Lev, turns out to be the son of Leon Trotsky, and he's come to town to spring his father from the wartime prison camp. Together, Alexi and Lev become involved in a fast-paced and dangerous plot to reunite Trotsky with his family.

This book is based on Trotsky's real-life imprisonment in Amherst. It's rich in historical detail and an absorbing read for young adults with an appetite for suspense and adventure. It is anticipated that *Escape* will be a hit among readers in the region and world wide.

The Royal Society of Canada recently elected Dr. Reid to its ranks. He has been named a 2004 New Fellow with the prestigious organization, which is one of the most sought-after academic accolades. The Royal Society consists of scholars and scientists from all disciplines, who are dedicated to achieving excellence in their endeavours, thus enhancing Canada's competitiveness on a global basis.

Dr. Reid has also co-authored a number of other well known books, including *The Conquest of Acadia, 1710: Imperial, Colonial and Aboriginal Constructions* (University of Toronto Press, 2004), which is now on sale in bookstores across the nation and around the world. ♦



Saint Mary's Chemist Receives Major Award From Destination Halifax

Dr. Marc Lamoureux, a chemistry professor at Saint Mary's, has been recognized for playing a role in showcasing Halifax, Nova Scotia to the world.

On October 21, Destination Halifax officially announced the 2004 Ambassador Club Achievement Award Honorees. These honorees have been nominated in recognition of their individual effort, which resulted in Halifax being chosen as the venue for a meeting, conference or special event for 2004.

In August, Dr. Lamoureux organized the International Conference of Analytical Science & Spectroscopy, which was held at Saint Mary's. A large number of scientists from Canada, France, Japan and the USA, attended the week long event.

"It's really nice to win this award," says Dr. Lamoureux. "It's also neat to know that the conference at Saint Mary's attracted people from all over the world, many of whom will soon return and continue investing in our economy."

Nicholas Carson, Chair of the Destination Halifax Board of Directors, states, "The staging of National and International meetings and conventions provides a forum in which to showcase the world class developments taking place in our own backyard. Pride of place is a critical and fundamental element of our promotional platform, and as a result our residents are an effective extension of our sales force. The Ambassador Club identifies these individuals and celebrates their outstanding contributions to the prosperity of Halifax."

Dr. Albert Mills, Management, and Dr. David Richardson, Dean of Science, have also been recognized by Destination Halifax. ♦

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"TD strongly believes that supporting education is one of the best ways to make a difference in communities here in Nova Scotia and across the country," says Paul Clark, Senior Vice President, Atlantic Region, TD Canada Trust. "We are pleased to provide a gift that will assist Saint Mary's students in meeting their educational goals, and this donation will provide bursaries to students for many years to come," he adds.

Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President of Saint Mary's, applauds this donation. "Saint Mary's is extremely grateful for the generous support that TD Bank Financial Group has provided," says Dr. Dodds. "For over 200 years, Saint Mary's has been an institution of higher learning that is committed to making education accessible for all students. This wonderful contribution from TD Bank Financial Group will help to ensure that we continue this commitment through our third century and beyond."

Saint Mary's now offers almost \$3 million in scholarships to students at the undergraduate and graduate levels of study.

The TD Bank Financial Group Bursary is available for full or part-time students in all fields of study.

TD Bank Financial Group's Community Giving program supports education, health and the environment, with a focus on children and youth. TD Bank Financial Group sponsors four flagship programs: TD Canadian Children's Book Week, TD Canada Trust Scholarships for Community Leadership, the Children's Miracle Network and TD Friends of the Environment Foundation, as well as a host of national, regional and local children's programs across Canada. ♦

Can We Afford Medicare?

Dr. Robert G. Evans, University of British Columbia, conducted this year's annual "Donald Higgins Lecture" on Wednesday, October 20, 2004, in the Saint Mary's Sobeys Conference Theatre, Sobeys Building. His talk focused on the issues encompassing the costs associated with Medicare in Canada.

His talk was free and open to the public and attracted a large gathering. Dr. Evans is a distinguished health researcher. He is an Institute Fellow of the Canadian Institute for Advanced Research and currently holds a Senior Investigator award from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research. He is a member of the Department of Economics and the Centre for Health Services and Policy Research, University of British Columbia.

"The Donald Higgins Lecture" was co-sponsored this year by the Canada Research Chair in Atlantic Canada Studies and the Sobeys School of Business.

Dr. Donald Higgins, a professor at Saint Mary's University from 1973 until his death in 1989, was an internationally recognized specialist in the area of Canadian local and urban politics. The Donald Higgins Memorial Fund was founded in 1989 by the Saint Mary's University Faculty Union. It is used to support the annual lecture series and to provide the Donald Higgins Memorial Scholarship each year to a graduate student in Atlantic Canada Studies.

In the News...

Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President of Saint Mary's, and **Dr. Terry Murphy**, Academic Vice President, appeared in a Canadian Press Story and the *Halifax Chronicle Herald*, following the launch of the TD Bank Financial Group Bursary at the university. Dr. Dodds will also be appearing in an upcoming *Atlantic Business Magazine* story about his leadership in graduating global citizens.

The Liberated Learning Project via the University's Atlantic Centre for Research, Access and Support for Students with Disabilities was highlighted in *Madean's Magazine's Leaders and Dreamers Guide* — a popular issue that hit the news stands late last month.

Dr. Robert Deupree, Saint Mary's Canada Research Chair in Astronomy and Astrophysics and Director of the Institute for Computational Astrophysics (ICA), was featured in *Madean's Magazine's Leaders and Dreamers Guide* about the work he is doing with the ACEnet: the Atlantic Computational Excellence Network.

Dr. Leonard Preyra, Political Science, appeared in the *Globe and Mail*, the *Halifax Herald*, and the *Toronto Star* where he discussed the recent Liberal Leadership Race.

Madeleine Lefebvre, University Librarian, was interviewed on CBC Radio (*Nova Scotia Mainstreet*) about her book on romance in libraries.

Paul Fitzgerald, Public Affairs, appeared in the *Halifax Herald* where he spoke about access to Internet Services on campus.



Saint Mary's University and Nova Scotia Government Employees Union (NSGEU) Local 79 Reach Agreement

Back, from left to right: Valerie Dubois, Saint Mary's Project Analyst; Ken Clare, Head of Access Services, Patrick Power Library; Kathleen Jewell, Assistant, Residence Office; Deborah Keema, Assistant, Religious Studies; Annette Wright, Assistant, International Development Studies; Gabrielle Morrison, Vice President Administration; Kim Squires, Director, Human Resources; and, Norm Latimer, Financial Services. Front, from left to right: Joan Jessome, President of the NSGEU; and, Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President of Saint Mary's.



Saint Mary's and CUPE 4388 (Boiler Operators) Sign Contract. Pictured at the signing ceremony are Vic Hubley, Facilities Management, and Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President of Saint Mary's.

A Policy Workshop on Early Venture Capital - International Perspectives

A Policy Workshop on "Early-Stage Venture Capital — International Perspectives," was held at the Sobeys School of Business, Saint Mary's University, Halifax, N.S. on November 8 and 9, 2004. The intent of the two day workshop was to explore international perspectives and solutions to early-stage venture capital issues.

The conference boasted distinguished speakers from around the globe who are experts in the field of early stage venture capital. The notable international guests included, Gordon Murray, University of Exeter, Rudy Aernoudt, from the Belgian Government, Colin Mason, University of Strathclyde, David Grahame, LINC Scotland, and Jeffery Sohl, University of New Hampshire.

WHAT'S NEW With Our Huskies

NOVEMBER BRINGS THE end of the regular season of play for our Huskies teams and the start of playoffs. Men's Soccer travelled to UNB and won the AUS Championship. The Women's Soccer Huskies travelled to Dalhousie. Congratulations to men's soccer Ryan Devereaux who finished first in AUS and CIS scoring with 13 goals. The Saint Mary's Field Hockey team also posted their 5th consecutive conference title. SMU's Sarah White, received the conference most valuable player award. Saint Mary's was also the proud host of the 2004 Cross Country Championships on October 30th. SMU placed 3rd in team scoring and will send 5 athletes to CIS Nationals.

The Football Huskies host the Football Conference Championship at Huskies Stadium on Saturday, November 13th, vs Acadia. Game time is 1 p.m.

November also means that our winter sports are in full action and here is a lineup of upcoming games:

Friday, November 12th
Men's Hockey vs UPEI, 7 p.m. (Halifax Forum)
Women's Hockey vs McGill, 7 p.m. (Alumni Arena)

Saturday, November 13th
Football Playoff Game, 1 p.m. Huskies Stadium
Men's Hockey vs UNB, 7 p.m. (Halifax Forum)
Women's Hockey vs McGill, 7 p.m. (Alumni Arena)

Sunday, November 14th
Basketball - Home Opener vs Dalhousie, women's game 1 p.m., men's game 3 p.m.
Women's Hockey vs Concordia, 1 p.m. (Alumni Arena)

Check out all the upcoming Huskies Action and scores at www.smuhuskies.ca

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Sobey School Profs Enlist Cultural Icons for Production Study

By Paul Fitzgerald

British Pop Icon Billy Bragg and Cape Breton Singer Nipper MacLeod Help In Showing Link Between Cultural and Economic Production

There is emerging evidence from both Canada and the United Kingdom (UK) that cultural production can boost the economies of post industrial communities, according to a team of researchers from the Sobey School of Business at Saint Mary's University.

Drs. Judy and Larry Haiven, who both teach in the Management Department at one of Canada's leading business schools, are currently researching how cultural capital accrued through tradition and maintained by performance, festival and exhibition, can breathe new life into economically depressed communities.



Mining for cultural production (from left to right): Pop icon Billy Bragg; former Cape Breton Island miner and member of the Men of the Deepes Choir, Nipper MacLeod; and Drs. Judy and Larry Haiven, both professors from the Sobey School of Business at Saint Mary's who are working to find ways to revive post industrial communities in Nova Scotia.

The Haivens are involved in a three-year research project entitled, "Culture and Regeneration in Former Mining and Steelmaking Communities: A Comparison of Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia, Canada and County Durham, UK." Other partners in the project include David Wray and Dr. Carol Stephenson, both professors at Northumbria University in Newcastle, UK. "We're mining for cultural production — literally," says Dr. Larry Haiven. Dr. Judy Haiven states, "The goal of our research is to explore the extent to which life in economically struggling communities can be improved through the use of cultural production."

While they have been busy visiting former mining and steelmaking communities in Nova Scotia, they recently traveled to County Durham, which in its heyday boasted hundreds of coal mines and many steel mills. Nipper MacLeod, former Cape Breton Island miner and member of the Men of the Deepes Choir, also joined them on the trip overseas. Funding for Nipper's trip was provided by The Nova Scotia Department of Tourism, Culture and Heritage.

During their visit, they also participated in "The Miners' Strike 20 Years On: Challenges and Changes Conference," a week long event hosted by Northumbria University. The international Conference focused on the issues that grew out of the famous Miners' Strike of 1984 in England, and the changes in employment that have occurred since then.

Also attending the Conference was pop star Billy Bragg, who is considered a national treasure in the music industry. Bragg and Nipper — both on guitar — played together in a fundraising gala in the historic city of Durham.

Drs. Judy and Larry Haiven and Nipper had the unique opportunity to meet with Bragg. In the two decades of his career, Bragg has made an indelible mark on British music as he is known as perhaps the most stalwart guardian of the radical and dissenting tradition of folk music laced with

progressive politics. The Conference held special importance for Bragg, as it did for Drs. Judy and Larry Haiven, and Nipper, too.

Bragg recalls the 1984 Miners' Strike and the impact it had on him and his song writing. After seeing how the Conservative government of Margaret Thatcher was changing the fabric of British society, particularly with the decimation of the mining communities, Bragg's songs became more overtly political. He became a fixture at political rallies and benefits, particularly during the 1984 Miners' Strike.

"It really took the Miners' Strike in 1984 to make me more into sort of an ideological songwriter, in the sort of traditional, Woody Guthrie sense," says Bragg during an interview.

"In the 1980s there was a huge titanic struggle going on between the Thatcher government and more progressive forces that had come to a head in the Miners' Strike... Doing benefits for the miners, I had met a lot of other like-minded musicians and we said: 'Well, what can we do about this?'"

Nipper is also familiarized with the Miners' Strike in 1984 and of course the closure of the mines in Cape Breton, where he once worked. These events have influenced his music career, to a large degree. "I was surprised at how massive the layoffs in the British mines were and how devastating they were to the mining communities in the UK," he says. "I experienced what happened in Cape Breton and the closures in Britain were just as painful, but had an even larger impact. The miners over there are fighting for a lost generation."

He says that meeting Bragg was neat, and so was taking in the conference, along with touring County Durham. "The exchange was wonderful. I found out from this trip that miners are the same all over the world. There's a mining culture that's similar: They are hard-working; they enjoy living; they enjoy culture."

The closure of the mines in Nova Scotia during the twentieth century has also caused its share of unrest and anxiety among citizens, according to Drs. Judy and Larry Haiven, both of whom have studied labour issues in Canada extensively.

"Our three year project aims to identify the responses of post-industrial communities, in Canada and the UK, to unemployment, social exclusion and poverty. Our work will also assess how community identity, culture and tradition can be used as a resource to combat social exclusion and aid economic regeneration," says Dr. Larry Haiven.

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will assist participating communities to reflect on their origins, and determine their future needs. We hope to help identify possible ways to rebuild communities shattered by the loss of industries such as mining, steel-making and fishing."

Both professors indicate that in Nova Scotia, preliminary research suggests that some post-industrial communities are attempting to revive local economies through the production of culture. Here, cultural production, once on the margins, is coming to play a major part in the economic activity in places such as in Cape Breton, and in other parts of the region where mining and fishing communities once flourished.

"Following the closure of the mining industry, many cultural enterprises have emerged from strong communities, nourished within family, neighbourhood, co-operative and communal networks," says Dr. Larry Haiven. "Where once there were working mines there are now mining museums, miners' choirs, and plays and novels about mining. Tourism, now seen as key to the economic regeneration of these communities, will be strengthened by the 'production of culture' and the consequential emergence of the 'cultural tourist.'"

Dr. Judy Haiven explains that in the now defunct coal-field of County Durham, the cultural regenerative process appears to be social rather than economic, with emphasis placed on maintaining the industrial heritage of the ex-mining communities.

"This is being achieved through attempts to ensure that this unique heritage, grounded in solidaristic and inclusive social networks, is not lost to succeeding generations," she says. "Through participation in the annual Durham Miners' Gala; the creation of small and community based and managed museums and internet web sites; the refurbishment of old community Banners; and the purchase and replacement of lost Banners, some communities are seeking to use their cultural and traditional heritage as a form of emotional regeneration, which is very interesting."

Unlike many other research projects in post-industrial societies, the researchers at the Sobey School of Business at Saint Mary's and at Northumbria University are interested not primarily in the regeneration of capital, but in the regeneration of people. This is clearly an under-researched area, and an international collaborative and comparative research project into the experiences of such communities will offer insights into the effectiveness of cultural and emotional regeneration in maintaining social cohesion and social inclusion, and how cultural and emotional regeneration can assist, even drive, local economic and social regeneration.

Drs. Judy and Larry Haiven are organizing a conference entitled "Mining Culture: A Symposium on Mining, Music, Film, Literature, Art and Museums." The event, planned for early June of 2005, is expected to attract a large number of academics and the general public alike. For more information on the Symposium, visit: http://husky1.smu.ca/~lhaiven/mining_culture_proposal.htm

This project is one component of a larger project, "Restructuring Work & Labour in the New Economy," which examines how cultural production supplants older industries and its impact on economic growth

and social well-being in Nova Scotia. The research alliance has received \$900,000.00 for various projects from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) of Canada and under SSHRC's "Initiative on the New Economy Research Alliance Programme." Dr. Larry Haiven has already been awarded \$20,550.00 for his research via the alliance. Other supporters of the trip by the Haivens and Nipper to the UK include: Saint Mary's University; The British Academy; The Nova Scotia Department of Tourism, Culture and Heritage; the Canadian Labour Congress (Atlantic Regional Office); the Cape Breton District Labour Council; and, the Sydney & District General Workers Union, Local 1509, CLC. The Cape Breton Regional Municipality is also supporting the research into Cape Breton Island. ♦

Dr. Judy Haiven states, "Additionally, our research