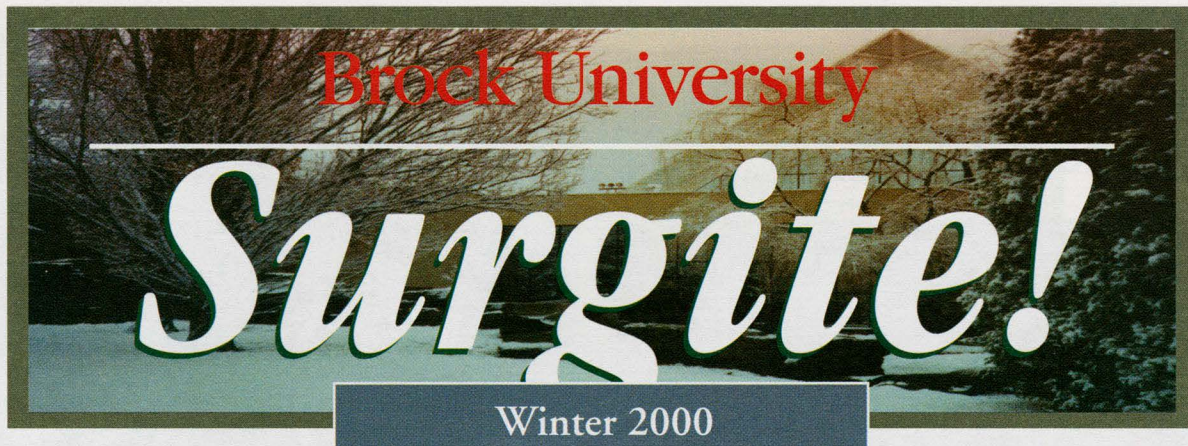




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A quarterly publication for graduates and friends of Brock University
Surgite!/sur-gi-tay/Latin for "Push on!" The inspiring last words of Maj.-Gen. Sir Isaac Brock

Watch us grow again!

No one needs a crystal ball to predict what kind of a year this will be at Brock University. It can be summed up in one word—exciting.

A number of significant developments will be under way this year—new buildings, new programs and the largest fundraising campaign in the University's history.

New construction includes a \$37-million project to build two new academic buildings and a Student-Community Centre for Health and Fitness. Designed by internationally renowned architect Raymond Moriyama, the buildings will transform the look of the campus. More importantly, the buildings will address needs for new learning, teaching and recreation facilities as Brock deals with an ever-increasing enrolment.

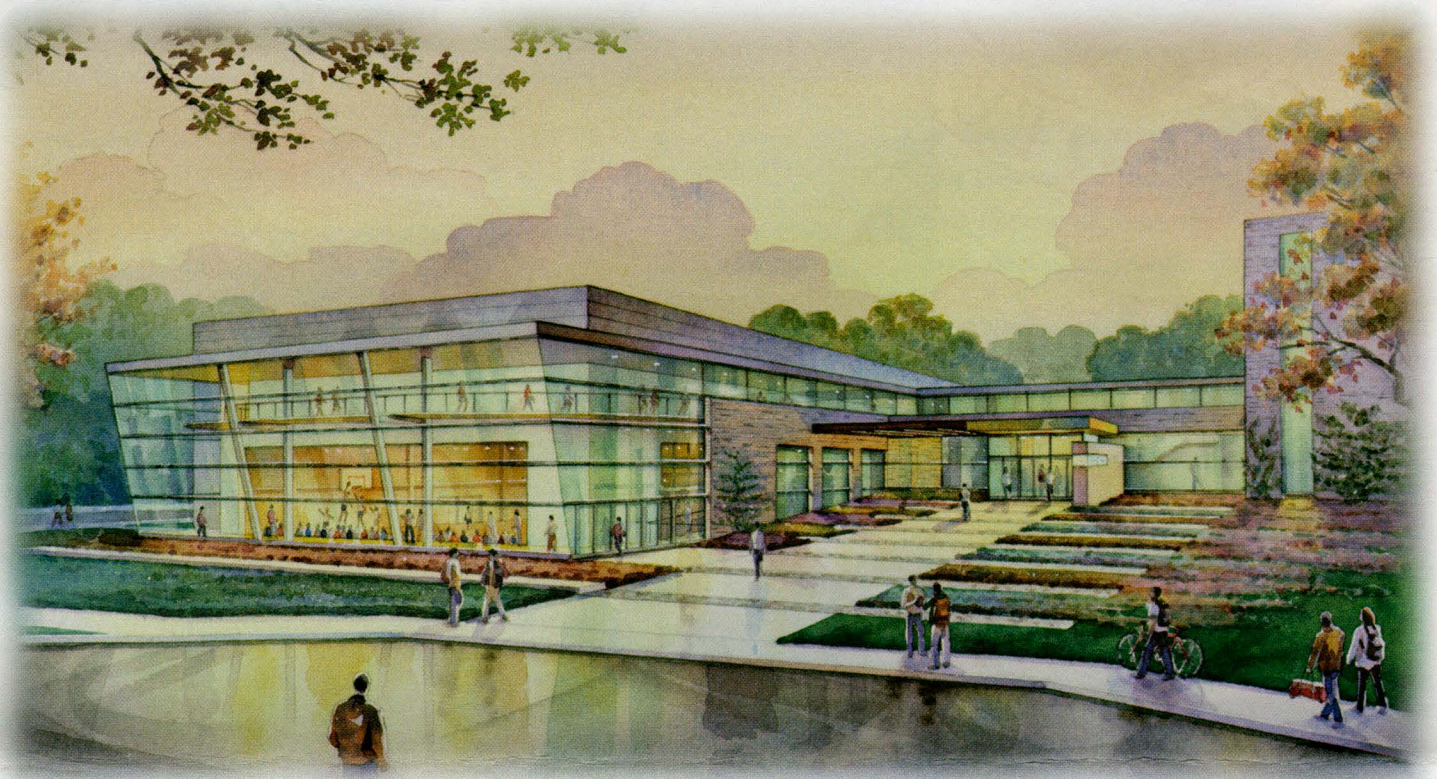
The University also has plans to build a 250-280 bed residence at a cost of \$8.3 million.

Construction on all of these projects will begin this spring. (For more details see the President's message on page 2.)

The academic buildings and the Centre for Health and Fitness are two of the priorities set for the University's \$21-million fundraising campaign. The campaign goals also include funds to establish new scholarships and to enhance teaching and library technology at the University.

The campaign begins with \$10.24 million already achieved through the private funding to support Inniskillin Hall, the 2-for-1 student awards program and the ATOP campaign for computer technology.

"This campaign is very important to Brock to raise funds to achieve the goals of planning and priorities," says Brock



This rendering shows the new Student-Community Health and Fitness Centre as designed by internationally renowned architect Raymond Moriyama.

President David Atkinson. "Through the campaign, Brock will become better known across the country as an excellent educational institution that can contribute a great deal to research and development in Canada."

The fundraising campaign already has momentum as a result of a student referendum held in November. Brock students voted to support a \$15 per full credit increase in enrolment fees, effective September 2000. The fee increase will provide \$5 million in funding to support the capital

costs of the Student-Community Centre for Health and Fitness as well as funding for renovations to the Alumni Student Centre and improvements to campus recreational programs. The success of the referendum also ensured funding for the Centre for Health and Fitness from the City of St. Catharines, and the Regional Municipality of Niagara. The City of Thorold is considering its financial participation.

The next step in the University's fundraising efforts begins in late February as Brock faculty and staff, past and present, will be asked to participate in the "Invest in Quality—Our students, our facilities, our learning environment" campaign. The Brock community's support will create further momentum for the broader campaign.

The University is also moving quickly to become a more comprehensive institution which is one of the key recommendations in the planning and priorities report, a *Vision for the Future*. A number of new graduate programs as well as co-op and experiential learning opportunities will be introduced over the next few years. For example, in January, Brock launched its Master of Accountancy program and this summer, the University will offer a PhD in Education, in partnership

with Lakehead, Western and Windsor. Some of the new co-op programs include Workplace Health, Computer Science, Oenology and Viticulture and Earth Sciences, to name a few.

There will be plenty to report on through the course of this year. *Surgite!* will keep readers informed of these and other exciting projects and events at the University.



The executive of the Brock University Students' Union (BUSU) and Brock President David Atkinson express their support for the yes vote. From left, Keesha Dorosz, BUSU VP Student Services, Kabir Abdurrahman, BUSU VP University Affairs, Brad Clarke, BUSU President, Atkinson, and Chris LeConte, VP Finance and Administration.

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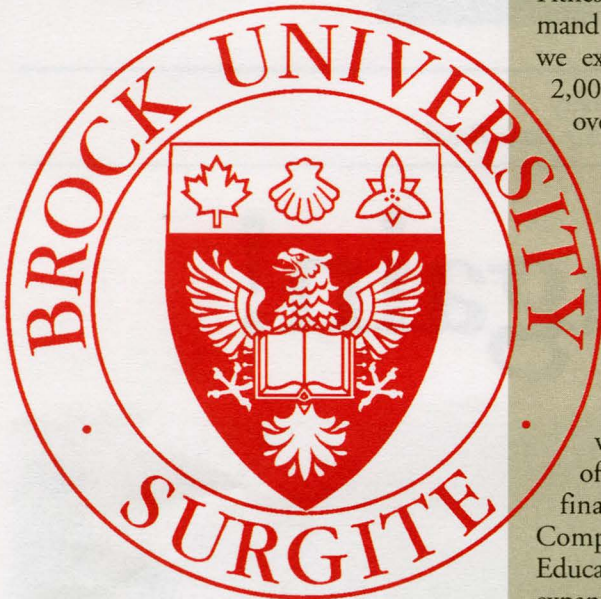
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A vote of confidence for Brock's future

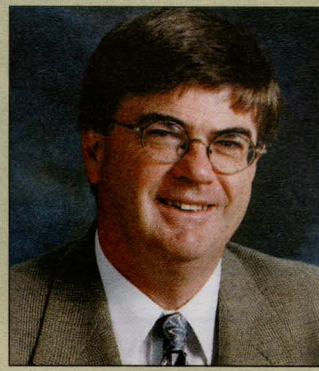
For some months now, we have been putting together the plans for a major new capital expansion on campus, which includes new academic buildings, renovations to current buildings, a new residence, and a new Student-Community Centre for Health and Fitness. Given unprecedented future demand for university space in Ontario, we expect Brock to grow by at least 2,000 full-time equivalent students over the next five years or so.

At present Brock has only 66.8 per cent of the academic space it should have according to the government's own space formula. There is simply no way we can grow without additional space. With this in mind, we are planning a major academic addition at the west end of the campus, which will add 80,000 square feet of academic space, and which will finally "link" the current Thistle Complex with the current Physical Education Building. As part of this expansion, we shall be renovating parts of Robert S.K. Welch Hall (formerly named the Faculty of Education building), and providing additional space to the library.

Very recently, the Ontario government announced a \$740 million fund for capital investment in the post-secondary sector, and we are optimistic that we shall be successful in our application to construct this major new academic complex, which has an estimated cost of \$25.5 million. We hope to hear from the government by mid-January.

Along with new academic space, we intend to begin construction in March, 2000 on a 250-280 bed residence east of the current New Residence. This will, I suspect, be only the first stage in what will be further expansion of our residences, necessary because of student growth. The new residence will cost about \$8.3 million, and will be entirely self-financed by the University. We receive no government support for the construction of residences, but must fund them through student residence fees, and whatever revenue we generate from conference activity.

While both these projects are exciting, they really do not match our plans for the Student-Community Centre for



Brock President David Atkinson

Health and Fitness, which will be also constructed at the west end of campus and which will cost \$11.8 million. Our new Faculty of Applied Health Sciences (formerly the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation) is the fastest growing faculty in the University, and one which has demonstrated considerable ingenuity in developing new programs in areas as diverse as Tourism Studies, Health Sciences, and Nursing. Along with the need for new academic space, we desperately need better recreational space for students, as well as space for our inter-university varsity teams. Finally, our current Physical Education facility has long been a community centre, offering programming each year to tens of thousands of Niagara citizens, young and old alike.

The need for a new facility was obvious; the question was how could we achieve our goal. In a truly creative partnership of the public sector, the private sector, the University, and Brock students, we have achieved what at first seemed unlikely, indeed even impossible. First, the City of St. Catharines has committed \$1.5 million over five years and the Regional Municipality of Niagara \$500,000 over the same period; the City of Thorold is currently considering a request for \$300,000. The University will provide \$2.5 million towards the project, and will cover the operating costs (approximately \$300,000 annually). We are currently conducting a fundraising drive to raise \$2 million from the private sector.

It is, however, the remaining part, the student part, which is most exciting. Our students, through a referendum in November, voted 70.9 per cent in support of a \$15 per full credit increase in enrolment fees for 10 years. Nearly 3,000 students voted, the largest turnout for

an election or referendum in Brock history. Ten dollars of this levy will go towards the Centre for Health and Fitness, while \$3 will assist in major renovations to the Alumni Student Centre, and \$2 will go towards improving recreational programming on campus. Students will contribute \$5 million towards the cost of the Centre for Health and Fitness. This vote of confidence in the future of Brock is truly overwhelming, and it certainly confirms, not only the quality of students at Brock, but also their commitment to their University.

The new Centre will be truly impressive. It will be about 60,000 square feet, of which 23,000 square feet will comprise a large open recreational space equivalent to four NCAA-size basketball courts. This space could be used as a single area or divided into four separate spaces. As well, the building will house a state-of-the-art Fitness Centre of about 6,000 square feet, which will contain the most current fitness equipment, a rock climbing wall, a 200-metre running track, a food court, and much needed leisure space for students. As well, we shall complete major renovations in the current Physical Education complex to add two aerobics/dance studios, new team rooms, and refurbished locker rooms, including a family change room, and a significant enlargement to the women's locker room.

The Centre will both improve the student experience at Brock, and provide much needed recreational opportunities for the community. The kind of partnership we have been able to put together shows that, even with the financial challenges Brock is facing, we can continue to move forward in what is an exciting period of change for the University. But above all, the financial commitment of our students is a very telling signal to everyone why Brock should be supported. While we hope to have construction on these projects finished by the end of 2001, the fact is that many students who will support the construction of the new Centre will not be at Brock when it opens. Their commitment is a powerful indication of why Brock deserves support from friends and alumni alike.

David W. Atkinson

FORUM

The gains and pains of working with nonprofits



Nichole Argo

By Nichole Argo and Pat Sewell

Work with nonprofit organizations in Canada and the United States, has become a popular choice of employment for university graduates. There are good reasons why this career direction appeals.

Nonprofits personify idealism, humanitarianism and altruism. They elicit higher motives while improving our communities. The satisfaction to be gained from meeting social or environmental needs entices recruits, especially when widespread political apathy prevails.

But nonprofits can also conceal pitfalls.

It's important that graduates evaluate a nonprofit prospect as critically as they would any profit organization.

Nonprofit work has many advantages. The experience gained through opportunities with nonprofits can confirm one's attraction to a vocation. Nonprofits offer a range of work that encourages individuals to develop new skills. As Patty Wilder, of St. Thomas University's Center for Nonprofit Management, in St. Paul, Minnesota, explains, staff involvement in each area of operations bespeaks "the expectation that everyone will be a Jack or Jill of all trades."

Nonprofits are generally thought to generate a more relaxed culture than profits. Since their employees work for reasons beyond monetary considerations, the organizational environment commonly becomes charged with enthusiasm. The challenges of nonprofit organizations occasionally prompt creative solutions to problems, encouraging participants to become confident and resourceful.

Yet nonprofits also share characteristic drawbacks. Rebecca Wolf Eckert, Coordinator of Community Impact in Palo Alto, cautions that nonprofits staff frequently remain untrained, having risen through the ranks without on-site models or mentors. High volunteer turnover thwarts management and, in turn, this can have a negative impact on the morale of workers.

Nonprofits are especially susceptible to inadequate program focus and insufficient resources for expanding operations. In profit organizations, cost-benefit analysis directs development. Thus the bottom line remains clear and financial necessities, along with competition and shareholder interests, serve to discipline program strategies. In nonprofits, decisions to meet society's claims can displace the kind of analysis forced upon profits by pressing economic demands. A nonprofit's mission may prove so open to change that it too easily accommodates added

programs and services. Because this dilutes finite materials, time and finances, it can cause problems.

Also, public expectations may grow, as observed by Milica Kovacevich, CEO, YWCA of St. Catharines. Nonprofits then are pressed to address gaps widened by need and governments' cutbacks. In any case, staff find themselves working more on new projects than may serve their well-being or the timely completion of previously initiated ones.

Volatility creates stress, with many attendant problems. If its "bottom line" remains unclear, a nonprofit likely will flounder.

Financing difficulties can misdirect program efforts. As Wilder puts it: "The fickle finger of funders plagues all nonprofits, causing them to retitile what they are doing to fit the current trends." The shift of programs to follow moving targets of opportunity disorients workers, fueling turnover and burnout.

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Greetings from Gaborone, Botswana!



Brock grad Martina Rett and her husband Peter Armbruster in Africa.

Since graduating from Brock in 1992, Martina Rett has had the opportunity of teaching and travelling in some interesting parts of the world. She spent a year in Mexico, then returned to Canada before taking a job in the Bahamas. Since 1998, Martina has been living in Africa. The following is an excerpt from a letter that Martina sent to *Surgite!*

Martina Rett, BA (chld) '89; BRLS '90; BEd '92

My husband, Peter Armbruster, and I (we were married in the Bahamas in 1996) moved to Botswana, in March 1998, when Peter was hired as the Senior Roads Engineer at the Ministry of Local Government, Lands and Housing. It has been interesting thus far. The weather is very dry, so even when it gets up to 35-40 degrees C it is bearable. In the winter (June to September), the temperatures go down to 0 degree C at night and up to 20-25 degrees C during the day.

I obtained a job at an international school. It has been a great learning experience. The school is very modern and has excellent facilities and resources. In my Grade 6 class of 24 students, I have children from all over the world (Korea, India, Sweden, U.S., Malawai, Yugoslavia, Canada, etc.). The school also has an Olympic-size swimming pool and tennis courts. The school year starts in January and continues until

December, with five to six weeks off between terms.

Since being in Botswana, we have gone on several interesting and memorable trips including Chobe National Park in northern Botswana where we saw amazing wildlife (elephants, lions, giraffes, impala, kudu, zebra, hippos, buffalo, etc.).

We also spent a few weeks in Zimbabwe and Zambia while we visited Victoria Falls and went whitewater rafting on the Zambezi River. What a rush!

In October 1998, we went to Namibia and climbed some of the amazing red sand dunes in the Namib-Naukluft Park, as well as seeing an incredible amount of wildlife in Etosha National Park.

In December 1998, we went to the Cape Town area in South Africa and visited the Cape of Good Hope, Table Mountain and the Stellenbosch wine region (a reminder of my days in the wine region of Niagara).

Our most recent trip was to Kruger National Park in South Africa, which was also packed with wildlife and beautiful scenery.

We are expecting our first child in January 2000 and we are quite excited about it. We are planning on moving back to Canada (southern Ontario region) some time around May 2000.

From what I have seen and read about in *Surgite!*, it sounds like the Brock campus has expanded and changed a lot since I was last there some seven years ago. I look forward to seeing it again soon.

Four grads make Langley B.C. their home away from home



At the Trinity Western campus are, clockwise from bottom, Amy Stephenson, Brenda Anne Warkentin, Lynn Shatford and Nancy Boese.

When Brock grad Lynn Shatford was hired to teach at English as a Second Language International (ESLI) at Trinity Western University, in Langley B.C., she was pleasantly surprised to find out that she would be working alongside three other Brock grads Amy Stephenson, Nancy Boese and Brenda Anne Warkentin.

Lynn Shatford (nee Cretney), BA (soci) '97

During my interview for the job, the director said to me: "We like Brock graduates around here. If you are the one we hire for this job, you will be the fourth Brock grad to work in this office!"

I have been working at ESLI for more than two years and it has been great working with Nancy, Brenda and Amy. We have Brock paraphernalia everywhere — makes me feel a bit closer to home.

My time at Brock helped prepare me for this job. While studying Sociology at Brock, I gained some very valuable experience as a computer lab advisor (thanks, to Gloria, Brad and Geoff and the compsci guys who taught me innumerable things!) I was also a TA working as both a seminar leader and a lab instructor for SOCI 2F10.

As part of my job, I needed to evaluate and redesign curriculum for this program. It felt like Professor Ward's SOCI 4F10. I offer to meet my students for coffee just like Dr. Ursino did with me when I was in BIOL 1F25. As well, I try to keep my lectures interesting, fast paced and relevant — I'll never be as polished as Professor Baxter-Moore (Politics) but it's worth a try!

My time at Brock is something I remember with much thankfulness and fondness. I'd love to hear from my old friends.

My e-mail address is: shatford@twu.ca
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Amy Stephenson (nee McDonald), BA (ling) '93; BEdTSL '94

I was looking for a full-time job after graduation (April 1994) and that summer I heard that ESLI was looking for instructors for the Langley B.C. school. The director of the school happened to be in Toronto on business, and my husband, Bob, set up an interview for Nancy Boese and myself. We were nervous and unsure that we wanted to move to B.C. but our husbands were encouraging and supportive of the prospect. The interview seemed to go well and with a good word from Brenda Froese (now Warkentin), who was already an instructor in ESLI, we were hired within a week (mid-August, 1994).

I was met with great challenges to design and implement courses in such a new school. However, ESLI has a won-

derful work atmosphere that allows and encourages individual strengths. I am grateful for the experience and I have become a much stronger and more confident teacher over the past five years.

Nancy Boese (nee Almost), BA (2lan) '93; BEdTSL '94

It has been a very interesting time here at ESLI as we've watched the school grow and as we have been a part of creating and implementing a complete intensive academic English curriculum. We have gained wonderful teaching experience.

One of the best parts of my experience has been working with Brenda, Amy and Lynn and seeing how our common background and commitment to excellence has enhanced the program and the lives of the students.

On a personal note, my own life has been enriched by the birth of two precious sons — Luke ('96) and Ian ('98). My husband, Kevin (BA Music '95) is pursuing his own career in song writing and worship leading and together, we are loving life in B.C.

Brenda Anne Warkentin (nee Froese), BA (2lan) '92; BEdTSL '93

I moved to British Columbia one day after handing in my last take-home final for Dr. John Sivell, in April 1993. I was eager to get a jump on the ESL job market in the Vancouver area. I had fallen in love with British Columbia after visiting my two sisters who had moved to B.C. a few years earlier. I landed a summer teaching contract in Delta, B.C., within a month of arriving in the Lower Mainland. At the end of the summer, I had a full-time job with ESLI.

It has been five years of teaching, one year of school administration, four years of marriage, two years of parenting and months of planning for our newly built home.

Needless to say, the move to B.C. has been good to me. Thanks to all my professors for helping me reach my goals.

Brock grads — We want to hear what you are doing, where you are living and the places you have travelled. So send us a letter, postcard or e-mail: hjunke@spartan.ac.brocku.ca

Positive feedback for *Surgite!*

On a regular basis, the University surveys its graduating class from three years previous to determine their levels of satisfaction with the education and services received at Brock. The latest survey involved the graduating class of 1996. Graduates are also asked what they have done following graduation and what they think about this publication.

We will have more survey results for you in the next issue. For now, here's a brief summary of what was said about *Surgite!*

- Overall, the data shows that our alumni are pleased with *Surgite!* as their alumni publication.
- In terms of the overall quality of *Surgite!*, 86 per cent rated the publication good to excellent.
- With respect to content and subject matter, 73 per cent rated the content and subject matter as good to excellent.
- Eighty-nine per cent of the respondents said they were satisfied with the

frequency of the publication. *Surgite!* is published quarterly.

We are continuously working to improve *Surgite!* to meet the needs of our readers. Your comments are always appreciated.

Spring Open House

You're invited to attend our Open House, on March 26, from 1 pm to 4:30 pm. For information, contact Recruitment and Liaison Services at (905) 688-5550, ext. 4293, or e-mail: liaison@brocku.ca

Northern Alberta

Tom Bremner, (BA geog '70), and Christine Peake Bremner, (BA (Engl) '73)

Tom and Christine live in Edmonton — Tom works as Constituency Assistant for the Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton Highlands and Christine is a freelance writer. Tom's involvement with Brock's Alumni Affairs office dates back to the 25th Anniversary Homecoming for the Class of '67.

Despite our efforts over the last few years, we have yet to reach that 'takeoff event' which every group needs. There are over 100 alumni in northern Alberta, but this encompasses an area of half the province. Within the Edmonton area, we have 40 to 50 alumni at any given time. Over the next few years, we hope to turn this into an active group of alumni and families, and plan events in

which they will be interested.

Though Brock has changed dramatically since we graduated, and the Alumni Association has reached numbers which were only dreams a few years ago, we still feel a strong bond with the University and the Alumni Association.

We both have very fond memories of Brock, and we still maintain friendships formed 20 or 30 years ago. We both want to see Brock remain a vibrant institution — and one of the ways we can do that is by developing a strong local alumni network.

We'd like to strengthen the bonds of friendship between alumni, promote the name and reputation of Brock University — and just have a good time. If anyone has any ideas for events, we'd like to hear from you. If you've recently arrived in the Edmonton area, please give us a call. We'd like to make you feel welcome."

—Tom and Christine, (403) 426-4369

SNAPSHOT



Greg Grainger
Degree: BA (dram) '76;
MA (Eng) U of Toronto, 1997.
Place of Residence: Toronto
Career: Technician in the entertainment

industry (Stagehand and Grip).
Most recent jobs: Grip on the feature film 'Bless the Child' with Kim Basinger and Jimmy Smits which will be released sometime in 2000; tearing down the Toronto production of 'Phantom of the Opera.'

Favourite memory of Brock: There are too many to list. The drama department, residence, and the pub — they all have wonderful associations.

Greatest source of pride: I did my Master's in English at the University of Toronto while I was working full-time on Phantom of the Opera.

Childhood career goal: I wanted to be rich and famous, just like everybody else does as a child.

Future goals: Early retirement.

Source of Inspiration: All the bills that arrive every month.

Correction

In the Snapshot feature in our last issue, some names were misspelled. We apologize for the errors. Here are the correct spellings: Michael Hornyansky, Ed Mirynech.

Grads invited to Career Fair 2000

Brock University and Niagara College will co-host Career Fair 2000, to be held in the spring and fall.

The first event will take place on Wednesday, March 15, from 10 am to 3:30 pm, at the Glendale Campus of Niagara College. Representatives from a wide variety of sectors will be in attendance to speak with graduates about career opportunities within their organizations.

On Monday, October 23, Brock will host the second Career Fair 2000, in Gym 1, of the Physical Education Complex.

For more information, contact Brock's Career Services, ext. 3242.

Daniel Livermore, (BA hist/poli '69), is working with countries around the world to implement the Ottawa Treaty, a pact to eliminate landmines around the globe. As Canada's ambassador for mine action, Livermore's responsibilities also involve working in Canada with domestic companies involved with landmines and treating victims of landmines. In October, Livermore was in St. Catharines to meet with a local company which is developing a prosthetic foot that may be suitable for use as a mass-produced prosthetic in Third World countries. Prior to his current positions, Livermore was Canadian ambassador to Guatemala.

David William Orders, (BA geoh '94), has produced the Niagara-on-the-Lake Road Map and Tourist Guide. This comprehensive and historical guide includes hotel and restaurant locations, services, recreational and cultural attractions, his-

torical sites and winery information. Orders, who is from Niagara-on-the-Lake and runs his own company Upper Canada Topographics, released the map last August. The text for the map was written and edited by Brock professor Alun Hughes.

Dr. Heather Hagerman, (BA Engl '94), of St. Catharines, recently received the ChiroMaster '99 Award Winners Top Web Site Award as the best chiropractic Web site on the WWW in 1999. Professor John Mitterer, of Brock's Psychology department, assisted in the development of the Web site. The Web site can be viewed at: www.spine.on.ca

Gord Paynter, (BA dram '77), is one of Canada's most popular stand-up comedians. The blind comedian likes to spend his spare time on the golf course. Last August, he aced a 184-yard shot for a hole-in-one at Brantford's Northridge golf course. In an interview with the local media, he said: "All the years I've been playing that course, I've hardly ever been on the green."

Greta Hildebrand, (BA visa/Cana '94; BA Cana/visa '99), was the curator of the exhibit, "Medicine Wheels," at the Niagara Artists' Centre, in St. Catharines, from June 12 to July 10. The exhibit was Hildebrand's thesis project which she completed under the direction of Professor Marilyn Rose. "Medicine Wheels" featured the work of four artists and was dedicated to the memory of Ann Pineault, an aboriginal artist and Brock graduate. The other artists who were featured in the exhibit included Linda Hankin and Saima Khan, both Brock graduates, and William Cooper. Hildebrand also curated two exhibitions which Rodman Hall mounted in conjunction with the World Rowing Championships, held in St. Catharines, last August. She is currently co-teaching in the Centre for Canadian Studies, at Brock.



Brock grad Greta Hildebrand

Alumni Award winners



The Brock University Alumni Association recognized two individuals for their achievements and contributions to the University. Dr. Roberta E. Robb, left, is the recipient of the 1999 Alumni Association Excellence in Teaching Award and Savino Mazzuocco, right, is this year's recipient of the Badger Award for student leadership. Gail Julie, Chair of the awards committee, presented the awards.

Nominations for the Alumni Association Award for Excellence in Teaching are invited annually. Nominees must be full-time members of faculty who hold regular faculty rank and must have completed at least three years of teaching at Brock. Nomination forms and guidelines are available from the Alumni Office. Deadline for receipt of nominations is March 31. For information, please call the Alumni Office, at (905) 688-5550, ext. 3816, or e-mail: vterpak@spartan.ac.brocku.ca

Ottawa Event set for February 11

All Brock University graduates in the Ottawa area are invited to the annual Ottawa Network gathering to be held, on **Friday, February 11**, in conjunction with Winterlude. The Honourable Gib Parent, Speaker of the House of Commons, will host the event at **Parliament Hill, from 5 pm to 7 pm**. Ottawa area graduates will receive further information in the mail.

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1985

Susan Edwards-Thompson (BRLS) was among 28 Canadians to be selected to work with the United Nations Assistance to East Timor (UNAMET) last summer. They were selected to be the Electoral Officers for the external voting operation for the East Timor Popular Consultation. They were stationed in Indonesia, Portugal (Portugal was withdrawing from East Timor when Indonesia staged its coup d'etat; therefore, most of its refugees live in Portugal or in Australia), Macau and Mozambique. Susan's duty posting was in Portugal. They were the only registration centre for all of Europe and Susan was the project leader.

1986

Charlie Hyndman (BA, econ) after a 22-year career with General Motors has been appointed the Director of Processing for GM Service Parts Operations headquartered in Grand Blanc, Michigan. Some people have already begun calling him Charlie Goodwrench! Charlie joined General Motors in 1977 as an hourly employee in St. Catharines. Since then, he has worked in Toronto, Ingersoll and the Janesville plants.

1989

Kathryn Kirkpatrick (BA, visa) is in her third year at the Faculty of Law, University of Western Ontario. She has accepted an articling position with Borden & Elliot in Toronto. Kathryn will be moving to Toronto, in June, with daughters Aubrey, Reghann, Keenan and Ryan. She would like to say hello to Yvonne, Tim Siemens and Nick Manns (where are you guys anyway?)

1990

Janet Vanderschee (BA, psyc) and husband Mark live in Strasbourg, France where Janet is studying French, at the Université des Sciences Humaines de Strasbourg. Mark is a design engineer in Rastatt, Germany. Janet and Mark were married on September 7, 1996, in the Muskokas. She would like to say hi to Paula, Linda, Konnie and Heather and would like to hear from Leslie Raymore. Janet can be reached at: jvanderschee@hotmail.com.

1991

Rodney Corkum (BEEd) since graduating from Brock says that he has taught all over the place, including across Niagara as a substitute and in Indian reserves in northern Ontario. He moved to Malaysia with his wife Regina but had a hard time dealing with the heat. He now teaches Grades 4/5 in Qikiqtarjuaq, Nunavut. Rodney says that he is learning the customs with the help of the students and is forever trying to cope with the cold. They spent last summer back home in Port Colborne. He says the first thing they did was visit Red Lobster and watch an Austin Powers movie!

1992

Anita (Gerkema) Duncan (BA/BEEd) is a kindergarten teacher for Simcoe County District Board.

1993

Tammy (Hill) Chassé (BA, psyc) after graduation worked as a child and youth worker with emotionally and/or behaviourally disturbed teenagers. She has recently changed careers and is now a Grade 8 teacher with the Northeastern Catholic District School Board. She now lives in North Bay with husband Jean and is expecting her first child. She would love to hear from her roomies from Tubman—Sarah, Jennifer, Kerri and the rest of the gang who were live-ins at their place. **Janet (Swain) Westbury** (BPhEd; MEd, '99) and Norm Westbury celebrated their second wedding anniversary on October 10, 1999 and are looking forward to becoming first-time



Samantha Thiessen (BA, hlst '96), centre, was married August 28, 1999. Attending the wedding were fellow Brock graduates, from left, Michelle Janssens (BA, Ling '97) Christina Larmer (BA chld '97, BEEd '98), Samantha, Deb Wallace (BPhEd '97), and Sarah Thompson (BA chld '96).

parents in May, 2000. Janet and Norm would like to say hi to all of their many friends from Brock.

1994

David Orders (BA, geoh) is the owner of Upper Canada Topographics. David has produced a comprehensive historical road map and tourist guide to the old town of Niagara-on-the-Lake that includes a second map and information guide to local wineries. David says there really isn't anything else out there that has all this information available at one source. He says it serves tourists well as a guide as well as a listing of interesting things to do. There are other Niagara-on-the-Lake maps, including one produced by the town's Chamber of Commerce, but none was to his liking.

1995

Laura Woodhead (BACC) recently obtained her designation as a Certified General Accountant and has joined Crawford Smith & Swallow. Laura provides the firm's St. Catharines clients with a variety of accounting and tax services.

1996

Juliana Stojkic (BA, thea) has received a role in a feature film called Ghetto Superstar. It releases sometime in the new year. She says this is a fantastic experience and hopes this is the beginning of a fabulous and exciting career. **Samantha Thiessen** (BA, hlst) completed a nutrition degree at Ryerson Polytechnic University and is currently working as a clinical dietitian for five nursing homes in and around the Hamilton area.

1997

Stephanie Niven (BACC) recently obtained her designation as a Certified General Accountant and has joined Crawford Smith & Swallow. Stephanie provides a full range of accounting and tax-related services to a variety of clients with an emphasis on the local tourism and hospitality industry.

Jeff Pelletier (BBE) is in his third year with KPMG Canada, and his second in the KPMG consulting group. Based out of their Toronto office, Jeff has been working in Dallas, Texas for the last year. He has recently been promoted to Senior Consultant. His client, Southwestern Bell Corporation, is one of the largest telecommunications companies in the world. After spending 12 months implementing a Point of Sale system for SBC, he is now leading a System Test Re-Engineering project on their billing system. Jeff can be contacted at JAPelletier@kpmg.ca.

Lynn (Cretney) Shatford (BA, soci) lives in British Columbia's Fraser Valley where she

teaches computer to students who are learning English as a second language.

1998

Jeff Chesebrough (BA, econ) has joined BDO Dunwoody & Associates Ltd., where he will be responsible for the implementation of ISO based management systems for organizations in the Hamilton-Niagara area. Jeff completed the ISO quality auditing course at Niagara College in 1999. Prior to joining BDO, Jeff was employed as a Quality Control Technician.

Nicole DeMers (BA, hlst) has accepted the position of Events Co-ordinator with the Heart and Stroke Foundation in Windsor, Ontario.

Darren Jolley (BBE) is an Economic Policy Analyst in the Department of Finance of the LCBO.

Jamie McMahon (BRLS) after graduation moved to Lindale, Texas, a small town about 80 miles east of Dallas where he worked with Teen Mania Ministries which specializes in "Acquire the Fire" youth conventions in Canada and the United States. Jamie says that he gained valuable, hands-on experience in facilitating youth conventions. Jamie has recently returned to Haliburton to start a community-based youth ministry called Edge Ministries (Effective Discipleship for Greater Evangelism)—for youth in Grades 7-12 and young adults.

Marco Mucciarelli (BA, econ) has accepted a position with the Ontario Ministry of Finance, Fiscal Policy and Planning division.

Sherri (Mathewson) Rossi (BA, psyc) has accepted a position in San Jose, California.

BIRTHS

Lisa (Kamphuis) Allen (BSc, bchm, '95; MSc, biol, '97), a son, William Carter, August 3, 1998.

Shelley (Brohm) Buitenwerf (BA, adm/soci, '95) and **Chris Buitenwerf** (BACC, '95), a son, Matthew Jordan, November 29, 1998.

Kathryn (Richardson) Greczkowski (BA, soci, '93), a son, Bram Victor, August 28, 1999.

Janet (Redding) McLeod (BA, psyc, '96), a son, Colin Joel, October 15, 1999.

April Moon (BA, labr/soci, '95), a daughter, Ruby, October 6, 1999.

Chris Pinczel (BA, adm/pol, '94), a daughter, Sophia Elizabeth Nell, July 28, 1999.

Melanie Price (BACC, '96), a daughter, Cadence Jordyn Price Johnson, February 17, 1999.

Pamela (Alway) Savage (BA, Fren, '93);

BEdTSL, '94; Bed, '95) and Jim Savage (BBA, '93), a son, Luke James, August 18, 1999.

Kate (De Decker) Smith (BA, geog/uest, '95), a son, Levi, April 18, 1999.

Jennifer (Keith) Taciuk (BPhEd, '90) and **Mark Taciuk** (BA, adm/pol, '93), a son,

Michael Edward, September 26, 1999.

Roxanne (Lukas) Wilson (BA, psyc, '90) and **Mark Wilson** (BA, poli, '89), a son, Blake

Renwick, February 19, 1999.

MARRIAGES

Deborah Clarke (BA, soci wise, '99) and **Matthew Strong** (BA, genl, '98), July 31, 1999.

Lynn Cretney (BA, soci, '97) and David Shatford, July 26, 1997.



Lynn Cretney (BA, soci, '97) married David Shatford, on July 26, 1997, in St. Catharines, Ont.

Anita (Gerkema) Duncan (BA/BEEd, '92) and Jason Duncan, July 24, 1999.

Tanja Hahn (BA, csmc, '95) and **Rudy Jankovich** (BBA, '95), July 4, 1998.

Kevin Kaposy (BBE, '89) and Annie Lavoie, June 5, 1999.

Sharon Komsa (BA, psyc, '94) and Rod Coupland, May 1, 1999.

Carol Krueger (BBA, '93) and Brian Halford, October 10, 1998.

Angela Lazenby (BA, psyc, '93) and **Dan Sajkowski** (BA, poli, '93), September 26, 1998.

Julie Macintyre (BA, psyc, '93) and Jayson Hunt, July 24, 1999.

Sherri Mathewson (BA, psyc, '98) and Michael Rossi, July 3, 1999.

Christine Mitchell (BACC, '96) and **Brian Kerr** (BACC, '97) September 18, 1999.

Fiona Newman (BA, chld, '93) and **Matthew Hall** (BRLS, '94), December 19, 1998.

Martina Sladeczek (BA, psyc, '98) and Jeremy Felps, August 28, 1999.

Michelle Smith (BBA, '92) and Bill Easton, June 12, 1999.

Michelle Smithson (BA, soci, '94) and Shawn Nogueira, November 1, 1999.

Nathalie Lynn Soini (BA, Germ/Spn, '98) and **Jeremy Heil** (BA, hist/visa, '97), May 21, 1999.

Samantha Thiessen (BA, hlst, '96) and Andrew Booter, August 28, 1999.

Christina Turner (BA, wise/soci, '95) and **Mark (Woody) Woodfield** (BA, chld, '94; BEEd, '95), August 14, 1999.

Carrie Van Ede (BEEd, '98) and Jeff Lamont, July 10, 1999.

Tammy Vineski (BBA '96) and **Darren Kwok** (BBA, '96), October 16, 1999.

Dayna Watford (BA/BEEd, '98) and **Travis Morrison** (BA, soci, '98), August 7, 1999.

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Front: (L to R) Terence Scheltema, BBE, '96; Hanna Gibbons, BEEd, '76, Admin Cert, '82; Gary Enskat, BA, poli, '78; Pamela Savage, BA, Fren, '93, BEdTSL, '94, BEEd, '95; Andrew Panko, BSc, geol, '75 Back: (L to R) Jan Robertson, BA, dram, '78; Gail Julie, BSc, math, '70; Jim Grant, BAdmin, '80; Mamdouh Abdel Maksoud, BBE, '98; Michael Robertson, BBA, '92; Kiron Ghosh, BBA, '98; Mike Zywicki, BSc, phys/math '95; Jim Butko, BAdmin, '79; Heather Cairnie, BA, psyc/Spn, '80

ALUMNI MAILBOX

Joe Kenny, manager of Brock's Athletic Therapy Clinic shares this piece of news from grad Chera Jarrett Amidon (BPhEd '96)

I thought I would drop you a line to give you an update on my life. I recently accepted a new position as the Head ATC at a private Ivy League prep school in Connecticut. It is an all-boys school with 21 varsity sports.

I am a full-time assistant and look forward to working with such a great crowd! My summer was spent working Olympic Development athletic camps, and although it was long and very hot, I loved the atmosphere.

Since completing my National Athletic Trainer's Association (NATA) certification almost two years ago, I have had a ton of orthopedic surgical exposure and I attend rehab seminars about four times a year. None of my joy and enthusiasm would have been possible without my awesome experience at Brock and more especially in the Athletic Therapy Clinic.

My husband, Kurt, is doing really well and his engineering firm was given the contract to construct the new Patriots' Stadium. Needless to say, we are both very busy!

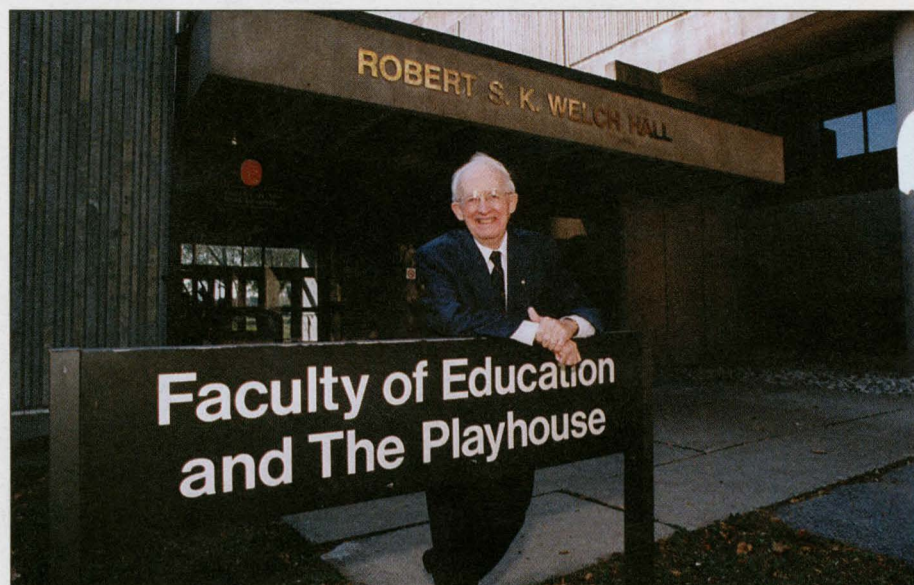
My best to all,

Chera Jarrett Amidon, BPhEd '96

Chancellor recognized: The University honoured the contributions of Chancellor Robert S.K. Welch by dedicating its education building as Robert S. K. Welch Hall. Welch, a St. Catharines resident, received an Honorary Doctorate of Laws degree (LL.D.) from Brock, in 1971, and from McMaster University, in Hamilton, in 1984. He became Chancellor of the University in 1985, and was appointed an Officer of the Order of Canada in 1994.

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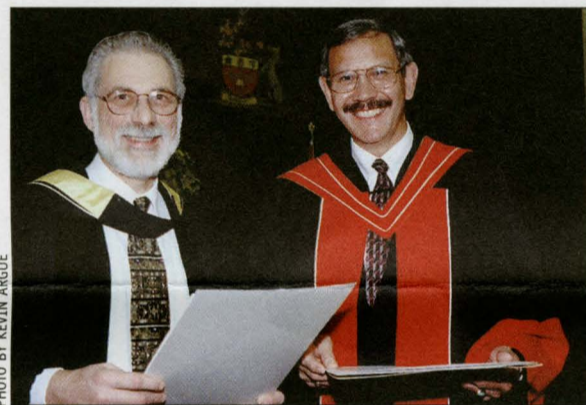
New members: Brock recently appointed three new members to its Board of Trustees, Donald Triggs, President and Chief Executive Officer of Vincor International Inc.; Shirley Carr, President Emeritus of the Canadian Labour Congress; and Tom Rankin, President of Stephens and Rankin, a St. Catharines engineering firm.



Chancellor Robert S.K. Welch at the entrance to Robert S.K. Welch Hall.

Happy anniversary: Brock's Centre for the Arts celebrates its 30th season this year. Last year, the Centre set a number of season records—39 events and performances, 17 sold-out performances, and higher box office revenues. Also, Debbie Slade, the Centre's Managing Director, was elected as National President of The Canadian Arts Presenting Association/L'Association canadienne des organismes artistiques (CAPACOA).

Teaching excellence: Dr. Barry W.K. Joe, of the Department of Germanic and Slavic Studies and the Department of Communications, Popular Culture and Film, and Director for the Centre for Teaching and Learning, received the 1999 Brock University Award for Distinguished Teaching. This award recognizes significant commitment to providing and developing quality learning experiences for students in addition to valuable contributions in curriculum development and mentoring of colleagues.



Barry Grant, left, and Barry Joe were honoured at fall convocation.

Research award: Dr. Barry K. Grant, of the Department of Communications, Popular Culture and Film, received the 1999 Brock University Award for Distinguished Research and Creative Activity. This award recognizes a faculty member who demonstrates outstanding research achievements, contributions toward the training of future researchers and consistency in scholarly or creative performance.

Three years running: Brock University is the winner of an international award in recognition of an outstanding residence life program for the third consecutive year. The Great Lakes Affiliate of College and University Residence Halls (GLACURH) selected Brock University as the Small School of the Year in competition with 19 universities and colleges from across Canada and the United States. Brock won this award in 1997. Last year, Brock won the Most Spirited Mid-Size School award. The winning bid was prepared by Brock's Residence Action Council (RAC), a student group made up of 17 executive members and 99 general members.

New degree offered in Aboriginal Adult Education: The Faculty of Education and the Aboriginal Council at Brock, in collaboration with the Wildfire Circle and TVOntario, are pleased to announce the new Bachelor of Education Degree in Aboriginal Adult Education (BEd) program. The program is designed for people currently working with, or who have a desire to work with, Aboriginal adults in education, training, health or community development.

For more information, please call (905) 688-5550, ext. 4757, or e-mail: jhodson@ed.brocku.ca or visit the Web site at: www.nativeadulted@brocku.ca. The application deadline is April 15. Classes begin mid-September.

New library resources: The University has significantly expanded its electronic library resources with a recent agreement with Elsevier Science, publisher of authoritative scholarly journals in science, technology, medicine and social sciences. The agreement will enable 24-hour access for students, faculty and staff to the full text of Elsevier's entire suite of 1,100 journals dating back to 1995.

In the spirit: Brock joined with the Niagara community to celebrate this year's Grape and Wine Festival, held last September, by being one of the 125 entries in the annual parade. Joining in the festivities aboard the Brock float were many students, including members of the Residence Life Staff and the loveable Boomer the Badger.



Brock University joined the parade to celebrate the Grape and Wine Festival.

Academic excellence recognized at 1999 convocations

Below is a list of Brock graduates who were recognized for their academic excellence at the University's 1999 spring and fall convocation ceremonies.

- Martin Snajdr, (Physics) of Slovakia—the Governor-General's Gold Medal for the highest standing in a Master's degree;
- Shari Leitch, (Accounting and Finance) of St. Catharines—the Governor-General's Silver Medal for the highest standing of all graduates in a first honours Bachelor's degree;
- Tyrone Nicholas, (Honours Computer Science) of Welland,— the President's Medal for the highest overall average in a first honours degree and who is graduating at the Fall Convocation ceremony;
- The Deans' Medals for academic excellence:
 - Shannon Smith, of Grimsby, (Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation);
 - Shari Leitch, of St. Catharines, (Faculty of Business);
 - Ann-Liesa Lapinski, of St. Catharines, (Faculty of Mathematics and Science);
 - Janette Auer, of St. Catharines, (Faculty of Humanities);
 - Gabriella Nagy, of Fonthill, (Faculty of Social Sciences);
 - Tracey Abraham, of Hamilton, (Faculty of Education).

Honorary degree: At Fall Convocation, Brock recognized Canada's Ambassador to the United States Raymond A.J. Chrétien with an honorary degree for his outstanding contribution to Canadian public life and to Canada's role in the international community.

Teutloff collection: Brock officially unveiled the sculpture, "Two Thousand Years on the Edge," by Reinhard Reitzenstein, of Grimsby, Ont. The sculpture



Brock President David Atkinson, left, and Hannalore Teutloff, right, assist Grimsby artist Reinhard Reitzenstein with the official unveiling of his sculpture, "Two Thousand Years on the Edge."

is the most recent addition to The Lutz Teutloff Collection at Brock. The collection includes sculptures by international artists who were commissioned by German art dealer Lutz Teutloff. Mr. Reitzenstein is the first Canadian artist to contribute a sculpture to the collection.

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Eckert refers to a gritty attitude of "we'll get it done no matter what," or "we'll make do," leading unfortunately to sub-standard procedures and results while exasperating an overworked staff. Those employees who come from the profits world cannot understand how nonprofits operate without what they consider standard office resources. ("What do you mean, do an insert and mailing for 1,300 people with no folding machine, paper cutter or stamper?!")

The process of nonprofits' decision making often becomes a source of frustration. Says Wilder, "The time it takes to make decisions can increase due to an inclusive decision-making model." Yet inclusiveness also offers important benefits by extending participation and aiding self-governance.

The final drawback is compensation. Salaries range 25 to 50 per cent lower than those of corporate positions, according to Amy Kincaid. Despite this, many oppose equal compensation on grounds

that employees of nonprofits derive "psychic" rewards. Still, as Wilder notes, society unhelpfully views nonprofits workers "as less competent because... we associate pay and value and competence when... no correlation... should be drawn."

Work in nonprofits can be incredibly fulfilling, and great experience, too. Take care to recognize differences in profits and nonprofits along with the difficulties that each tends to present. Good luck!

(Nichole Argo graduated in 1999. She has worked in several nonprofits, most

recently as Program Officer for the Immigrant and Citizenship Program, James Madison Foundation, Berkeley, California. Pat Sewell is Professor Emeritus.)

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Green Chemistry



Professor Bert Holland in his lab. Holland's research is supported by the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council and by the American Chemical Society.

Bert Holland heads a team of Brock researchers looking for the greener side of the chemistry lab. Green chemistry, just as it sounds, is an environmentally friendly science.

Holland is investigating scientific processes that don't involve nasty chemicals, such as strong acids. Instead, one possibility for green chemists is to use a biological catalyst, such as fungi, bacteria or yeast to produce the necessary chemical reactions.

"It is environmentally sustainable," explains Holland. "It doesn't produce any end products that are harmful to the environment."

"In terms of green chemistry, it's non-polluting and it's much faster than most traditional chemical catalysts."

Holland says green chemistry also raises possibilities for producing more environmentally friendly products. He also points out that it can lead to reducing the need for animal testing as part of

research into human metabolic processes as fungi and bacteria can be used to mimic human metabolism

There are few researchers in this particular area of green chemistry in Canada, says Holland, with only about a dozen scientists studying this aspect of green chemistry throughout North America.

"It has become a growing science, particularly in the last five years in Europe, more so than in North America," he says. "It has been designated a priority area."

As a very "politically relevant science," green chemistry is gaining attention from governments, as well as the traditional chemical industries that are faced with increasing costs for waste disposal.

In the past, explains Holland, industries would move productions to Third World countries where environmental standards are more lenient. As these countries develop stricter environmental policies, industries will have to look at alternative methods of production.

"The solutions are there," says Holland. "It's just a matter of convincing the chemical industries that they have to invest in new plants to do things in a new way."

Holland's work in biological catalysts is just one of the many directions being taken inside Brock's biotechnology labs. Brock is in the process of adding a PhD program in biotechnology that would be the first of its kind in Canada.

"The textbook definition for biotechnology is the use of biological systems to produce goods and services," says Holland. "There is an enormous range with that definition, from genetically modified corn and potatoes to the production of new pharmaceuticals."

"Here at Brock, we are working in a number of different areas. The field of biotechnology is growing. There is a lot of exciting work being carried out."

This story is reprinted from the fall issue of Brock Research. If you would like to receive a copy of our latest research publication, please e-mail: hjunke@spartan.ac.brocku.ca

Record turnout for annual alumni golf tournament



Brock grad Scott Maxwell (BA poli/psyc '88), second from right, presents the winning foursome with their trophy at the annual alumni golf tournament dinner. From left, Dave McGillivray, Gary Enskat, President of the Brock University Alumni Association (BA '78 poli), Dave Maxwell, Paul Maxwell, Scott Maxwell and Rob Kreuk.

A record number of participants and beautiful weather helped make the Fourth Annual Brock University Alumni Association Golf Tournament a huge success. Close to 80 golfers got in the swing of things on Saturday, September 18. Brock President David Atkinson led the way as one of the first foursomes off the tee.

The tournament, which was held at Sawmill Golf Course (owned by Brock graduate Gail Julie and her husband, George Julie), raised more than \$2,500 for the Alumni Association Cool Climate Oenology

and Viticulture Institute Scholarship Fund. To date, the alumni association has raised a total of \$30,815 for the fund.

"It is a great occasion to get together with people who have a mutual interest in supporting the University," said Gary Enskat, the 2000-2001 President of the Brock University Alumni Association.

Organizers would like to thank all of the participants and sponsors of the tournament. Information on this year's tournament will be published in a future issue of *Surgite!*

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Brock welcomed the world!

Congratulations to all the athletes who competed in the recent 1999 FISA World Rowing Championships, held in St. Catharines, Ontario.

More than 1,000 rowers from 59 countries came to realize their dreams and, as proud representatives of their country, claim the honour of being the best in the world.

During eight days of exciting competition, the athletes shared with us a spirit of friendship and international community that will long be remembered.

We celebrate your pursuit of excellence now and in the future.

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Homecoming '99 HIGHLIGHTS

Grads celebrate anniversaries

Graduates rediscovered their connection to Brock during the 1999 Homecoming reunion. This year, we celebrated the Class of '69 and the Class of '74. For many, it was the first trip back to campus in more than 25 years. Guests gathered in the Pond Inlet to unite with friends, colleagues, faculty and students.

They were welcomed by several members of the Alumni Association and Brock President David Atkinson who took a few minutes to share some of the exciting developments taking place at the University.

The dinner was an opportunity to honour the 1999 Alumni Association award recipients for their outstanding teaching, academic achievement and community leadership.

Following the dinner, graduates hit the dance floor at ISAAC's for the rock'n'roll classics

performed by Pat Hewitt. The sociable entertainer, who has packed the student pub consistently for more than 20 years at Homecoming, performed non-stop in front of 400 graduates.

Plans are already under way for next year's anniversary reunion that will celebrate the Class of '70 and '75.

Old Badgers return

By Gary Wagner

David Underhill, Esteemed Founder of the Brock rugby team and Associate of the Worshipful Company of Farriers, travelled from Devon, England to participate in the Old Badger (OB) alumni events at Homecoming '99. Several OBs had David attend to their cleats on the sidelines as the Badgers narrowly defeated the Old Badgers 10-8.

"Those old warhorses need all the help they can get," said Underhill. "I switched their heavy working shoes for racing cleats, and it made quite a difference at half-time."

Underhill was prohibited by The Laws of Rugby Farriers from tending the footwear of the Old Badger women, who were stomped by the Badgers 27-0 in an earlier match.

"The last time I knelt at the feet of a women's rugby team I nearly ended up on an altar, so I was too scared to risk it today," he admitted.

When questioned more closely, Underhill explained that they had playfully tried to sacrifice him as an old goat, but he escaped by drinking a pint of draft beer and munching a pickled egg—at the same time. "It's an old Farrier's trick that saved many a man from the sacrificial altar, I'll tell you."

As for the action on the field, although it was by no means a cakewalk, the win by the women's

varsity rugby team avenged last year's loss.

Congratulations to varsity try scorers Ashley Brunette and Trisha Huque, with one each, and to Meghan Morrissey, who had two tries in the second half. Alumni kudos to Kathryn Nuyten for her pressure-relieving kick late in the game when the Badgers were threatening again, to Heidi Anderson for a solid performance at fullback, to LeeAnn Naporkowski for powerful bursts from the scrum, and to Sherry Trumbull for consistently getting the ball out to the backs.

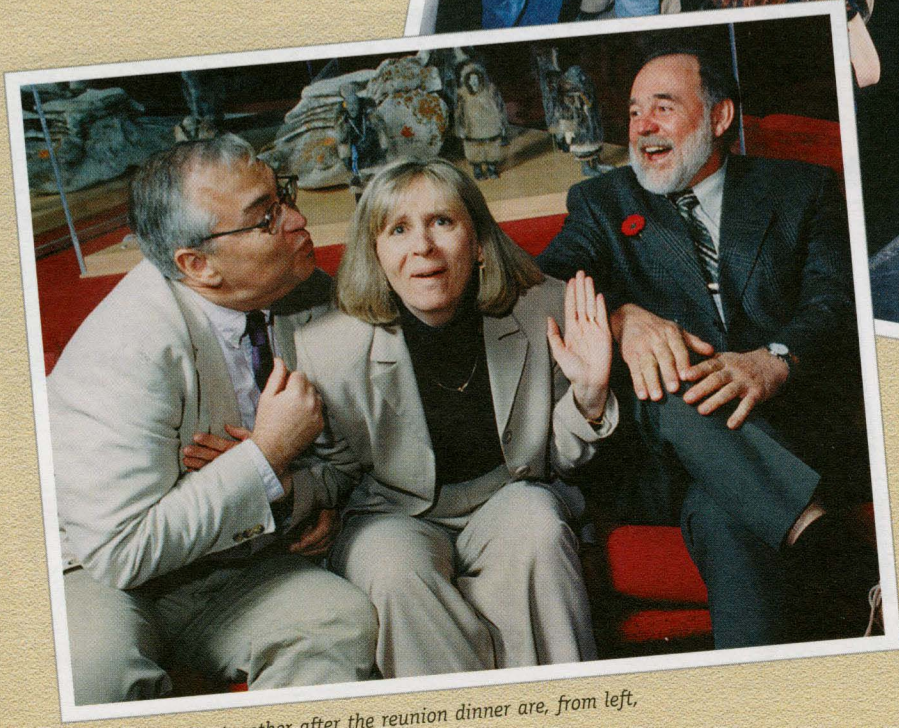
The Old Badgers wish to thank the many players and supporters from the St. Catharines Tigers RFC who came out to play or cheer, and especially those alumni who could not play but attended anyway, including Lisa, Dayna, and Shannon. We hope to see you all next year, when the women's team celebrates its fifth season of varsity rugby competition.

See over

Pat Hewitt rocks on in front of a packed dance floor during the Saturday night pub at ISAAC's.



Julia Mascio and Mamdouh Abdel Maksoud, who was the 1998-99 President of the Brock University Students' Union.



Having some fun together after the reunion dinner are, from left, Brian Carty, Patti Ambrous and Bill Wilhelm.



From left, Cathy Boak, Terry Boak, Brock's Vice-President, Academic, Domenica Panko, Andy Panko and Heather Cairnie during the reception at Pond Inlet.

Homecoming '99 HIGHLIGHTS

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Following the games, over 100 rugby players and fans enjoyed the hospitality at ISAAC's and a post-match pub tour to round out the Old Badger festivities. Visit www.BrockU.CA/extrel/develop/rugby/ for incriminating photos, more stories about Homecoming '99, and plans for next year's 30th anniversary extravaganza.

Geography class reunites

The Geography Class of '79 celebrated Homecoming with a 20-year reunion in the University Club (better known to graduates as Alphie's Trough, or The Pub). There was plenty of time to catch up with old friends during a wine and cheese on Friday night. Then,

on Saturday, about 40 alumni, faculty, and spouses turned up for dinner and a great get-together. There was much reminiscing over albums full of photos, as hits from the '70s played in the background. There were even a few rounds of full-body-contact euchre!

"It was wonderful to see so many friends again, and to relive the great times that we had at Brock," said Alan and Cathy Nursall who organized the reunion.

Bev McCollom award presented

At a post-game social, over 75 Brock Hockey Alumni, supporters, parents, current players and coaches celebrated Brock's 4-2 victory over the University of Toronto, in the annual Homecoming hockey game, at Thorold Arena.

Returning graduates included Dave Burt, of Elgin, Ont., Rich

Heeley, of Carlisle, Ont., and Rick Morton, of Peterborough, Ont. They joined many Niagara region alumni such as Al Kellogg, Lorne Adams, Bruce Wormald, Kevin Hill, Bob Davis, John Nickerson, Dick Overholt and Tim Hausser.

The gathering was also an opportunity to honour two Badger players, Tim Rivest and Chris Jackson, who are the first recipients of the Bev McCollom Memorial Award.

The award is in memory of the program's longtime equipment manager, Bev McCollom, who died in 1998.

McCollom's daughter, Jackie, presented the awards to Rivest, of Comber, Ont., and Jackson, of Milford Bay, Ont.

"Not only did these two young men meet the academic requirements of this award but they both give to the hockey team, through their play, in a similar fashion to that of Bev McCollom," said Paul Jackson, a former coach of the Badgers.

A real pool party

For the third year in a row, former Badger swimmers returned to the pool for the annual alumni meet. The meet was held with the true spirit of fun as everyone had a great time. Here are the results:

Swimming:

Badger Alumni 15-Badgers 8

Inner Tube Water Polo:

Badger Alumni 8-Badgers 3

Congratulations to the winners of the Homecoming draw

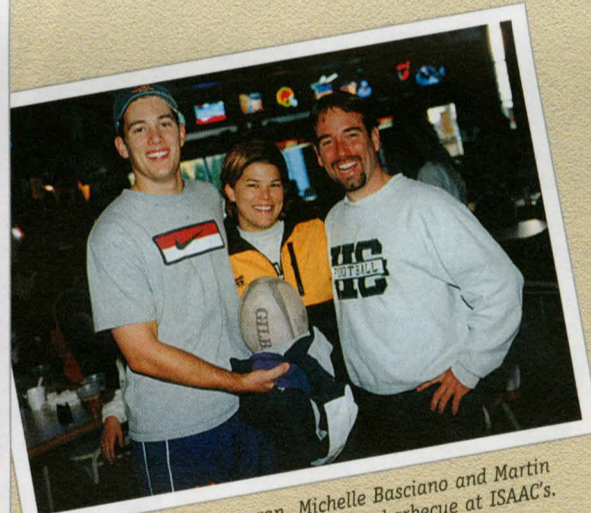
- **Heidi Anderson**, BA, hist, '95 — A pair of tickets to see the Toronto Raptors, donated by Meloche Monnex
- **Mike Pfeifer**, BA, hist/pol, '96 — Six months of free internet service, donated by Primus Canada
- **Kathryn Nuyten**, BPhEd '92 — Brock University Sweatshirt donated by Development and Alumni Affairs



Kelly Grace pulls down a rebound during the Badger Basketball alumni game. In the background facing the camera are Allen MacDougall (dark jersey) and Kevin Moore.



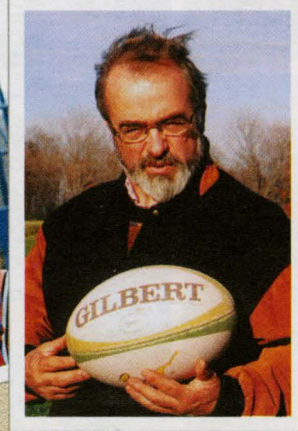
The Geography Class of '79 celebrated its 20th reunion during a dinner on Saturday.



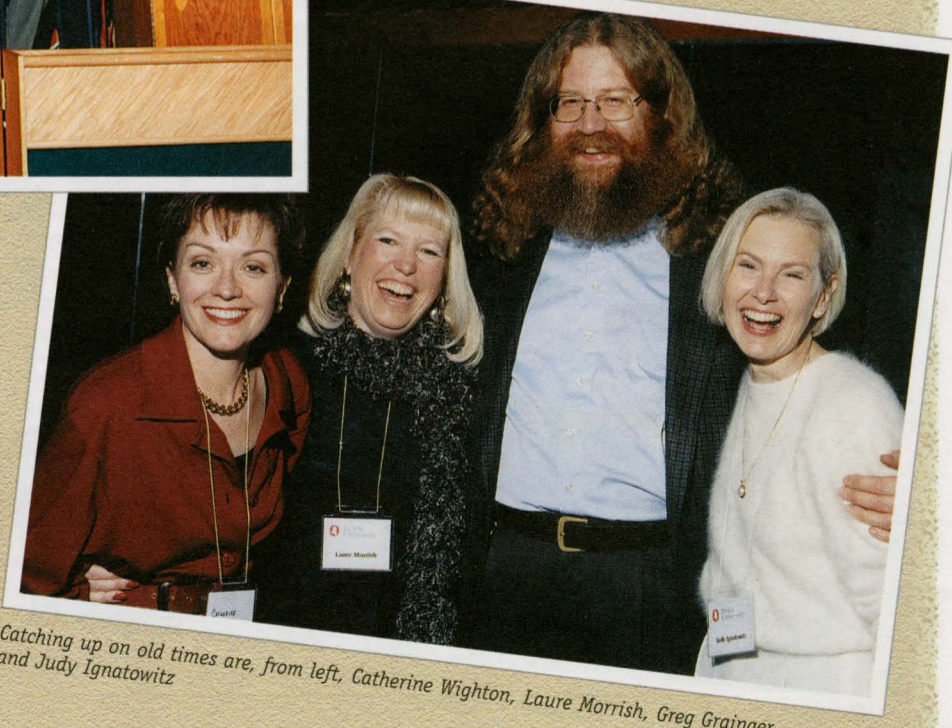
From left, Sean Corcoran, Michelle Basciano and Martin Race enjoy the Saturday afternoon barbecue at ISAAC's.



Once again, past and present Badger rugby players got into action at Homecoming.



Old Badger David Underhill



Catching up on old times are, from left, Catherine Wighton, Laure Morrish, Greg Grainger and Judy Ignatowitz

Brock celebrates Canadian titles in rowing and baseball



Brock rowers fatigued but elated with success at the finish line.

Two new championship banners have found a home at Brock. The men's baseball team claimed their second consecutive Canadian Intercollegiate Baseball—Association crown while the men's rowing team captured their first Canadian University Rowing Championship.

As hosts of the championship tournament, the Baseball Badgers defended their title in front of a home-town crowd on October 24.

In the final game, the Badgers defeated

the University of Toronto Blues 9-2.

Badger Matt Fletcher was selected as the most valuable player of the tournament. Fletcher and teammates Andrew Tinnish and Jeremy Walker were named to the tournament all-star team.

In the rowing finals, also held in St. Catharines, the Badger crew edged out the University of Western Ontario and the University of Victoria, at the November 6 and 7 regatta.

Brock crews medalled in all of the five men's events winning bronze in the



Brock's baseball team celebrates its second straight Canadian title.

lightweight men's double and heavy men's single, silver in the lightweight men's single and gold in the heavy men's pair and heavy men's eight.

A week earlier, the men's rowing team earned their second Ontario University Athletics Rowing Championship. Brock medalled in seven out of eight men's events at the Ontario

finals, winning a total of three gold, three silver and one bronze. The team edged out Western and Queen's to place first overall in total points.

The Brock women's rowing team placed third at the Ontario finals behind Queen's and the winner Western. Brock won gold in the lightweight women's eight and coxed four.

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Hockey rivalry: Last fall, Brock's Hockey Badgers hosted the first "Steel Blade" showdown between Brock and a U.S. college or university. The game against the Niagara University Purple Eagles ended in a 5-5 draw. Brock donor Ed Werner, a big hockey fan and local history buff, initiated the annual rivalry. Werner and his family donated the "Steel Blade," a sword from the War of 1812, as the official trophy for the game. They have also set up a scholarship to go along with the annual event.

Alumni score big-time: The Brock Hockey Alumni raised \$32,828 for the Bev McCollom Memorial award, surpassing the \$30,000 target that was set to be achieved over the next few years. The award is in memory of McCollom, a longtime equipment manager with the team, who died in 1998. The alumni plan to continue raising funds to build the endowment to support more awards.

This year's fundraising events include the Bev McCollom Memorial hockey game, on Saturday, February 12, against Laurentian University. Game time at Thorold Arena is 7:30 pm. For more information, or to make a donation to the Bev McCollom Memorial award, please contact Brock hockey coach, Murray Nystrom, at (905) 688-5550, ext. 4368.

All-Canadian: Brock's Sheila Brown was honoured as an All-Canadian in women's rugby for the second consecutive year.

Brown, a Physical Education student from Lindsay, Ont., is a fourth-year player at the centre position. Last year, she was named Brock's Female Athlete of the Year.



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