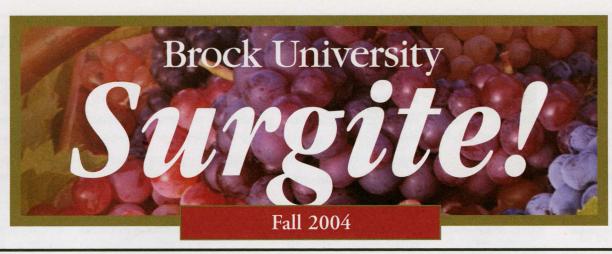


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A quarterly publication for graduates and friends of Brock University Surgite!/sur-gi-tay/Latin for "Push on!" The inspiring last words of Maj.-Gen. Sir Isaac Brock

# Celebrate Brock Days 2004! A community and homecoming celebration

Be a part of the Brock Days tradition! Mark your calendar and plan to join the festivities as the University holds its annual Community and Homecoming Celebration on September 24, 25 and 26. To add to the excitement, the University will be celebrating its 40th anniversary. There are also several events scheduled as a warm-up to the Brock Days weekend.

There will be something for everyone during Brock Days with wine events, a great kick off, an afternoon of activities and grad reunions in Montebello Park, a reception and concert for graduates with Jim Cuddy of Blue Rodeo fame, a Grape Stomp Extravaganza, an alumni pub night, live entertainment, the Alumni Association Golf Tournament, varsity athletic competitions and more.

Come back for the celebration and enjoy the best Brock and Niagara have to offer as once again the University partners with the award-winning Niagara Wine Festival.

See the Calendar of Events on pages 4 and 5 and read about the many events offered for you this year.

For the latest information and updates about all Brock Days events and activities go to: www.brocku.ca/brockdays or call Tom Arkell, Director of Community Services: 905-688-5550, ext. 3749. Graduates should keep checking www.brockpeople.ca for updates and special offers.



Several Brock graduates recently gathered to celebrate the coming of Brock Days this September. They were joined by Sir Isaac Brock and Boomer to invite everyone to attend and to join in the festivities. Seen are, seated, Luaine Hathaway (BA, soci, '96 and BEd, adult ed, '04) and Bill Rickers (BA, indp, '77). From left, standing, Dave Derry (BA, phil, '75 and BRLS, '84), Kristen Smith (BA, chld, '98), Brad Clark (BA, chld, '00), Rob Neill (BSc, math, '75), Katy Elgie (Bkin, '04) and Dave Picton (BA, hlst, '95). For information on all of the events and activities, see the Brock Days schedule on pages 4 and 5.

# Brock Professors honoured with Teaching Award



Professor John Mitterer

Two Brock University professors, one who is known for his exceptional achievements in integrating technology another who empowers his students by

personalizing their learning experiences, are recipients of one of Canada's most prestigious national teaching awards.

John Mitterer, Professor in the Department of Psychology, and Lorne Adams, Professor in the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology, are recipients of 2004 3M Teaching



Professor Lorne Adams

Fellowships from 3M Canada and the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (STLHE). A maximum of 10 awards are presented nationally each year

among the 35,000 professional academics across Canada who are eligible. This is the first time that two Brock faculty have received 3M awards in the same year.

The 3M Teaching Fellowship is the only national teaching award for postsecondary education in Canada. It is

given to individuals who not only excel in the teaching of their own courses but also demonstrate an exceptionally high degree of leadership and commitment to the improvement of university teaching across disciplines.

"Brock University is fortunate to have faculty of the calibre of Dr. Mitterer and Dr. Adams, and we are pleased to see them recognized with such a prestigious award," said Brock President David Atkinson. "These professors are widely respected in their individual fields for their commitment to excellence in teaching, and their desire to see students flourish."

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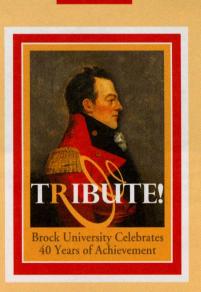
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Brock University maintains a database of contact information for each of its graduates in accordance with all legislative requirements protecting privacy. The contact information retained is used to deliver services and to keep you informed and up to date on the alumni activities of Brock University, including programs, services, special events, funding needs, opportunities to volunteer or to give, open houses and more through periodic contacts. All records are maintained by the Office of University Advancement and cannot be released without the permission of the individual(s) concerned. The Advancement Office does not sell, trade or give away mailing lists to other organizations. However, in the interests of serving its graduates and generating revenue for the University, the Advancement Office does contract with a number of companies to provide a range of services that offer competitive rates and personal assistance to alumni. Any contractors of the Advancement Office are also required to keep information about you confidential and limited to carrying out the service they provide us. Should you wish to have your contact information removed from our database contact the Office of University Advancement at 905-688-5550, ext. 3816.



Brock University invites graduates and friends to be part of a very special evening to mark the University's 40th anniversary.

On Saturday, October 16, Brock will hold Tribute! Brock University Celebrates 40 Years of Achievement to be held at the fabulous Table Rock, overlooking the Horseshoe Falls.

This Black Tie event will feature a six course dinner with each course paired with a Niagara VQA wine. Guests will be entertained by students from Brock's Department of Music, and you will be able to dance throughout the evening.

Proceeds will be matched to support student bursaries. Tickets are \$150. To reserve, please call the Office of University Advancement at 905-688-5550, ext. 3245.

# New Mission Statement reflects our commitment to excellence

"Brock University flourishes through the scholarly, creative, and professional

achievements of its students, faculty and staff. Offering a range of

undergraduate and graduate programs, Brock fosters teaching and research of

the highest quality. As a diverse and inclusive community, we contribute

positively to Canada and beyond through our imagination, innovation



Dr. David Atkinson President and Vice-Chancellor

Senate and the Board of Trustees

and commitment."

of Brock University approved a new Mission Statement for the University. On the surface of things, creating a Mission Statement seems a relatively straightforward task. After all, Brock's new Mission Statement is only three sentences long. As the Long Range Planning Committee discovered, however, finding consensus on these three sentences was not something easily achieved.

Those who work and study at Brock are passionately engaged in the life of the institution, and they all have individual ambitions for the University. The Planning and Priorities Report of 1999 and the recent Final Report of the Long Range Planning Committee are intended to achieve consensus about these ambitions for the next five to 10 years. Distilling these goals to a mere three sentences was a special challenge.

The process for deriving a new Mission Statement was a broadly consultative one. The challenge was to evoke the distinctiveness of the institution without being unnecessarily clever, and to be consistent with Brock's traditions, even while we recognized that there is much that Brock shares with other Canadian universities.

The process of determining a new Mission Statement was as inclusive as the Planning Committee could make it. A Web site was established, and a call was sent out asking members of the University community to submit what they thought should be included in a Mission Statement. From this input, the Committee developed a draft Statement, and asked for comments. As must remain cognizant of the well, the document was brought to both contributions of those who are leaving Senate and the Board of Trustees asking the institution, for without their efforts for input. The Committee then drafted there would not be the foundation on excellence — to being the very best.

Very recently the the final Mission Statement approved by which Brock's future depends. The the Senate and the Board.

Focusing on a Mission Statement may seem to be making much from very little. But the fact remains that this new Mission Statement, which clearly and succinctly defines the University's mandate, also constitutes an important milestone in the University's life. It is true that the University has its Mission Statement of 1991, which currently appears in the front of the University Calendar. But this Mission Statement, which has also served the University as an institutional planning document, does not reflect the Brock University of

Brock is going down an exciting new path, one which leads comprehensiveness and a new sense of place. It is at once Niagara's university and aspires to being both national and international. Brock is committed to inclusivity, even as it celebrates diversity, and it aspires to achieving and maintaining the highest standards in both teaching and research. It is not a stretch to say that Brock's goal is to be the best mid-sized comprehensive institution in Canada. For us to have this aspiration signals a true coming of

Brock celebrates its 40th anniversary in the Fall. In this connection, we can sense the change that is upon us. Many of the faculty and staff who were here at the beginning either have retired or are retiring. Many of our new departments are made up of faculty members the majority of whom have arrived in the last few years. Much the same thing can be said of our staff.

As we reflect on the last 40 years, we

future is an exciting one — indeed change is exciting. But we must not forget those things that are a core part of the University — teaching and learning, our sense of community, despite the over use of this word, and the centrality of collegial decision making.

There is something special about the way universities operate. It is because universities are not "ordinary" that they are communities of possibility — they are innately institutions of vision. Some might say that universities are cautious and change ever so slowly; I would suggest that the very reverse is the case. Yes, there must be a careful stewardship of principles and values. But universities exist to allow for new ideas, to be places for the life of the mind and imagination.

Universities are not closed down to change; indeed their very nature suggests the opposite. Universities do not change cataclysmically; they change incrementally. But these increments add up. Think about Brock, and how it has changed over the last six or seven years. Universities are not confined by the box; they are always outside it. Universities survive because they remain open and are never closed down by dogmatic

We must not be mistaken: there are challenges ahead. Brock, like so many other institutions, struggles in the face of inadequate resources. And higher education is still insufficiently recognized as an investment in all our futures. Despite challenges, however, Brock should celebrate its coming of age, to being an institution which has much to celebrate in its 40 years, and much to achieve in the next 40. We have a new Mission Statement, one which signals our unwavering commitment to

# Brock's President's Tournament raises \$77,000 for student athletic awards

The second annual President's Tournament in support of Brock athletics raised \$77,000 for bursaries and scholarships for the University's outstanding student athletes.

More than 140 golfers, including PRESIDEN many Brock graduates, contributed to the financial success of the May 27 tournament at Legends-on-the-Niagara in Niagara Falls, by purchasing foursomes and participating in a live auction, which itself raised more than \$20,000.

"We are extremely grateful to local residents and businesses for their outstanding support of athletic excellence at Brock," said Brock President David Atkinson. "Our student athletes make a tremendous contribution to the University and to the community."

"The money raised through the tournament will help our student athletes excel academically," Atkinson said. "David Howes and his team of organizers worked hard to make this event such a success, and we look



forward to next year's tournament."

Howes is Chair of the President's Tournament and Vice-Chair of the Brock Board of Trustees. Under his leadership, last year's inaugural tournament netted \$65,000 for the athletic student awards program.

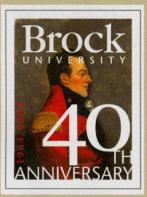
With 30 men's and women's varsity teams in such sports as rowing, wrestling, hockey and basketball, Brock boasts the third highest number of teams among Ontario's 17 universities. Many Brock athletes must use their own money to help cover their teams' costs of training camps, equipment and other expenses.

Brock's athletes have won 17 national

and 35 provincial championships since 1967, and the student athletes are a vital part of the many successes Brock enjoys today. Many of them maintain overall academic averages of 80 per cent while juggling athletics, studies and part-time

Major sponsors of this year's tournament were Algoma Central, Canadian Tire Financial Services, Durward Jones Barkwell & Company LLP, Heart of Niagara Hospitality, Kenmore Construction, Lakeshore Inc., The Landmark Consulting Group, Lincoln Fabrics, Lupine Properties, Moriyama & Teshima Architects, Rankin Construction, RBC Investments, Rose, Horne & Stevenson Group, Scotiabank, Sodexho, Sullivan Mahoney LLP, and Whiting Inc.

Organizers also express their thanks to those who donated auction items, including Critelli Fine Furniture, Dr. Donald Ziraldo, Dr. Ken Fowler, David and Terry Atkinson, Dell Computers, and the Brock Bookstore.



# Happy anniversary

Brock University proudly celebrates its 40th

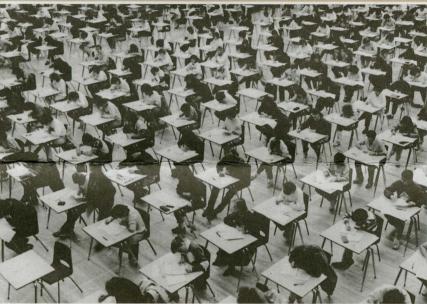
To mark this occasion, *Surgite!* presents a retrospective of the University's history with a series of photo features. Here we present, "They Worked at Brock."

The photos were provided by: Special Collections and Archives, James A. Gibson Library; Divino Mucciante, University Photographer; and the Office of University Advancement.

More photos from the past decade can be found at: www.brocku.ca/anniversary.



Brock administrative staff, 1978. Kneeling, from left, Ken Boyle and Bob Anderson. Front row, from left, Roger Reynolds, Cindy Paskey, Bill Narin, Terry Varcoe, Don Edwards, Betty White, Nancy Gordon, Marg Murdough, Barb Marriage, Chris Loucks, and Louise Wilding. Back row, from left, Al Ganton, Al Tomson, Al Pedler, Dave White, Ken White, Pauline McCormack, Bernie Clarmont, Carmella Maddalena, Gary Johnson, Sharon Odell, Martina Gibbons, Bill Loveman, Ray Woodfield, Dorothy Witte and Amanda Turner.



Exam time.



Directors, coaches and staff of Athletics in a photo dated September 25, 1970. Back row from left, Ed Davis, General Manager, hockey; Les Korchok, basketball coach; Tom Kearney, trainer; Terry Bishop, curling coach; Al Kellogg, hockey coach; John McNeil, soccer coach; Dave Freeman, scuba instructor; Tony Biernacki, rowing coach; Al Pedler, cross country and track coach; George Louth, golf coach. Front row, from left, Jennifer Wilson, fencing instructor; Dr. A.G. Lowenberger, Director of Physical Education and Recreation; Bob Davis, Assistant Director, Physical Education and Recreation; Nancy Powell, secretary, Physical Education and Recreation.

# Request for proposal home and automobile group insurance

The Office of University Advancement, Brock University is reviewing partnership proposals to offer a group home and automobile insurance affinity program to its 50,000 graduates and members of the Brock community.

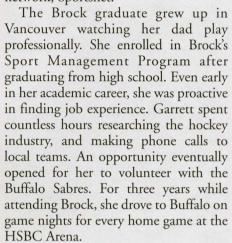
Currently, Brock University has several recognized affinity partners — companies chosen for the quality of their products and integrity of their services. Our affinity partners offer

distinct benefits that relate directly to the interests and needs of the Brock family while providing generous support to the University for alumni advancement programs.

Proposal packages are due no later than 3 p.m. on September 17, 2004. For a copy of the Request for Proposal, contact Lynne Irion at 905-688-5550, ext. 3251, or see brockpeople.ca.

# Brock grad drinks success from Lord Stanley's Cup

Sarah Garrett always knew she wanted to be in a public relations role within a hockey organization. Sarah grew up around hockey. Her father, John Garrett, is a former NHL goalie with the Hartford Whalers, the Quebec Nordiques, and the Vancouver Canucks, and currently works as a hockey analyst for the all-sports network, Sportsnet.



Cheri Bradish, Assistant Professor in the Department of Sport Management, described Garrett as being "a very energetic, engaged student who had her sights clearly set on working in the professional hockey industry."

After graduating last year, and with three years of volunteering in a public relations capacity, Garrett found that there were no full-time positions available with the Sabres. She was however, made aware of an internship opening with the Tampa Bay Lightning. Sensing an opportunity, and willing to take a chance, Garrett made the move to Florida for a year-long internship last August. Her duties with the Lightning included writing media releases, dealing with player fan mail, acting as a liaison between NHL officials and the media, as well as delivering and researching statistics. She also was responsible for



Sarah Garrett (BSM, '03), poses with Tampa Bay Lightning goaltender John Grahame at the St. Petes Times Forum, after the Lightning defeated the Calgary Flames in Game 7 of the Stanley Cup

garranging player interviews with the g media on game nights.

What Garrett did not expect, was for the Lightning to have an outstanding season and an incredible playoff run that resulted in them winning the first Stanley Cup championship in franchise history. She was on the ice and in the locker room following Game 7

when the Lightning defeated the Calgary Flames in Tampa to win the Cup.

"Who would have thought when I moved to Florida that I would be holding the cup at the end of the year?" said Garrett.

Garrett is very forthcoming about how her Brock experience has benefited her so far in her career. "My Brock education has been an enormous help to me. I remember one lecturer in particular, Chris Chard (Department of Sport Management), always stressed the importance of being professional in everything that you do," said Garrett. "I learned the important skills of building interpersonal relationships and communicating effectively, which are so vital when working in public relations."

Garrett is continuing to develop her career and gain further experience. This month she will move to Texas to begin work with the Wildcatters of the East Coast Hockey League. She intends to continue her career in hockey public relations, and hopes to expand her duties to gain more experience in hockey operations, dealing directly with the players.

"My future goal is to obtain a full time public relations position with an NHL team," said Garrett. "I am looking forward to the challenges my new role will present in Texas, and hopefully, one day I will end up back in Vancouver working with the Canucks."

# Brock Professors honoured Continued from page 1

Professor John Mitterer is highly regarded for his expertise in the innovative use of educational technologies for teaching. He has cotaught Brock's first-year Psychology course for 20 years, which means that he has instructed some 20,000 Brock students the fundamentals of psychology. He has ensured, however, that his approach to the course remains innovative.

"Canada is becoming a knowledge society, where deep learning is our most precious national asset and strong teaching is our surest means of securing our common future," said Mitterer. "I have long been profoundly appreciative of the opportunity to work with so many of the fine students in our country. For my work to be recognized with this prestigious national award is truly icing on the cake!"

Professor Lorne Adams takes a unique approach to connecting with his students. A student who enrols in his classes receives a copy of his "human rights code for the classroom" and his "bill of rights for group work." These documents signal two of the many ways that Adams puts his principles of student empowerment and engaged pedagogy into practice.

"The 3M Fellowship is a testimony to the many good teachers and the thousands of students who have shaped my progress and development as a teacher," said Adams. "I have often told students that I learn far more from them than they could ever hope to learn from me. This award is an indication that I was listening."

Mitterer and Adams are the sixth and seventh Brock Professors to be named a 3M Teaching Fellow, respectively. Last year, Professor Maureen Connolly, Director of Brock's Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies, was recognized with a 3M Fellowship. Brock Professor Anna Lathrop, Chair of the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology, was the recipient of a 3M Teaching Fellowship in 2001. The year before, Brock Professor Barry Joe, the current Director of the Centre for Digital Humanities and a professor of Communications as well as of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures, received a Fellowship. The others include Professor Don Ursino, now retired from the Department of Biological Sciences, in 1991, and Professor Clarke Thomson, now retired from the Department of Geography, in

For more information, please go to www.brocku.ca and click on "News."

# Mark your calendar for Brock Days 2004 - www.brocku.ca/brockdays

Saturday, September 18
9th Annual Alumni Association Golf
Tournament

Shotgun start at 1:30 p.m., Links of Niagara at Willodell, Niagara Falls

The tournament features a scramble format, use of practice facilities, 18 holes of golf, cart, prime rib dinner, prizes, raffle and silent auction items. The fee also includes a \$10,000 hole-in-one opportunity and several golf skill contests. Registration fee for the tournament is \$340 for a foursome or \$85 individual. Register by contacting the Centre for the Arts Box Office at: 905-688-5550, ext. 3257. Sponsorship and prize donations are appreciated.

# Tuesday, September 21 From Vine to Wine Seminar 7:00 - 9:30 p.m., Pond Inlet, Brock Campus

Taste the Grape; Taste the Wine; Meet the Grower; Meet the Maker! An evening that traces from harvest to the glass one of the world's most noble grape varieties. Meet the men and women who make it all happen! Tickets are \$25. For tickets, contact the Centre for the Arts Box Office at: 905-688-5550, ext. 3257, or online at: www.arts.brocku.ca

### Thursday, September 23 Alumni Pub Night at Isaac's 7:00 p.m., Skybar for Brock Graduates 9:00 p.m., Isaac's Pub opens for Brock Students

Isaac's is the place to be! Start Brock Days off right by joining in the celebration with fellow alumni, faculty, staff, and varsity coaches. Brock graduates are invited to meet at the Skybar Lounge (Isaac's mezzanine) for a Thursday Night Pub. Drop in for a quick drink or relax by the bar and catch up with old friends, while reliving the memories of those great days at Brock. Visit http://brockpeople.ca/forum.php Brock People Forums for a list of former faculty and staff who will also be attending. Tickets are no longer required for this event! For additional information, contact Brad Clarke at 905-688-5550, ext. 3721.

### Friday, September 24 Brock Days Kickoff

## Noon - 1:30 p.m., Jubilee Courtyard, Brock Campus

Celebrate the beginning of Brock Days in '60s-style! All members of the Brock community are invited to this Brock Days 2004 kickoff event. We will celebrate Brock's 40th anniversary by bringing back the '60s with a Beatles tribute performance by the Caverners and a few classic 1960s cars parked nearby. Of course, food and drink will be served in '60s-style! Bring all your friends — and meet hundreds more friends!

# The Grape Stomp Extravaganza! 12:30 p.m., Jubilee Courtyard, Brock Campus

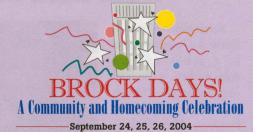
Come out and celebrate Brock Days in the 4th Annual Grape Stomp Extravaganza — everyone's invited. Grab some friends, dive in, get your feet wet, and stomp away! This event is always a favourite. You won't want to pass up this unique opportunity! Enjoy the atmosphere, be prepared to participate in the fun and festivities, or simply come and witness the Grape Stomp Extravaganza! To register a team or for more information, please contact Jenna Anderson or Kristen Smith at: 905-688-5550, ext. 3845.

# Fourth Annual - Fine Food, Fine Wine, Fine Arts!

7:30 p.m., Rodman Hall Arts Centre
Dining excellence now set in Rodman Hall!
Be part of this extraordinary taste
experience. Meet the artists who blend the
art of wine and food with the art of music,
painting and performance in the magic of
this magnificent historic setting. Tickets \$85
per person. For tickets, contact the Centre
for the Arts Box Office at: 905-688-5550,
ext. 3257.

## Isaac's Grape' In Big Bash Doors open at 9:00 p.m., Isaac's Pub, Brock Campus

Join Brock students at Isaac's Bar & Grill for a reunion party with special guests Moose and Carl. Relive good times and old memories as Brock students join together in celebration of the Niagara Wine Festival. Please call 905-688-5550, ext. 5069, for more details and ticket information.



September 24 - 26

Celebrate Brock Days Around the World

Brock is celebrating its 40th anniversary and to commemorate this event we are encouraging our international and Canadian graduates living or working abroad to hold their own Brock Days celebrations. Events can be organized in and around September 24 to 26. If you are interested in organizing a Brock Days Around the World event, please e-mail: brockint@brocku.ca. To help you with your celebrations, big or small, and to thank you for your participation, we will assist you by providing Brock materials and merchandise for the event.

## Saturday, September 25 Brock's Parade Float

11:00 a.m., Downtown St. Catharines

Join Brock University as it participates in the 53rd Annual Niagara Grape and Wine Grande Parade themed "Hockey Homecoming: The Pride is Back." We are pleased to have Canadian singer/songwriter Gregg Lawless on our float to entertain the crowd. Brock students, staff, faculty and graduates are invited to join us along the route. Don your Brock wear to show your school pride! For more information, contact Kristen Smith at: 905-688-5550, ext. 3845.

## Brock Days Reunion Celebration in the Park Noon - 6:00 p.m., Montebello Park, St. Catharines

Brock Days 2004 will be an exciting time for alumni reunions, which will take place in Montebello Park. For further details and times of reunions, please contact the organizers for each event. Reunions already planned include:

- Grade 12 summer of '70
   contact Monica Gemeinhardt at: 416-233-6083 or glen.gray7@sympatico.ca
- Class of '74

   contact Joe Engemann at: 905-688 5550, ext. 3943 or engemann@brocku.ca
- Math and Physics, Class of '74

   contact John Orth at jorth@cogeco.ca;
   Phil McCann at
   Phil.McCann@smithmoorelaw.com;
   Or
   Henry Nur at henry.nur@hrsdc-rhdcc.gc.ca
- Class of '79 & Rowers from '76 '79

   contact Bill Bean at William.Bean@qe2-hsc.ns.ca
- Computer Science
- contact Gord Dunkley at: 905-688-
- 5550, ext. 3157 or gdunkley@brocku.caDons' Reunion (photograph session at 2:00 p.m.)
  - contact Jamie Fleming at: 905-688-5550, ext. 3594 or jflemming@brocku.ca
- CTLET Production Team (ELRDL)

   contact Mike Laurence at

   905-688-5550, ext. 4812 or

mike.laurence@brocku.ca.

For information on any of the above reunions see brockpeople.ca or www.brocku.ca/brockdays or to add your name to the list of those attending, see brockpeople.ca forum. If you would like to organize a reunion for your class or group, contact former faculty, or merely get in touch with old friends and classmates, please contact Lynne Irion, at: 905-688-5550, ext. 3251, or e-mail: lynirion@brocku.ca. If you wish to contact faculty members, Lynne will be pleased to contact them on your behalf.

Note: Paul Baker, (BA, geog, '71), will be organizing foursomes for the Brock University Alumni Association's golf tournament being held on Saturday, September 18, (non-golfers will be joining the group for dinner after the game). For more information contact Paul at: pbaker@brockpeople.ca or call 705-476-4120.

## Pre-show meet and greet for graduates 6:30 - 7:15 p.m., Alphie's Trough, Brock Campus

Graduates will not want to miss the opportunity to meet Jim Cuddy, singer and songwriter of the popular Canadian band, Blue Rodeo. The Blue Rodeo star performer

will drop by Alphie's Trough at 6:30 p.m. to meet graduates and their guests in advance of his Centre for the Arts concert. Reserve your free Pre-Show Reception ticket now, as space is limited to 100. Visit brockpeople.ca to obtain your alumni coupon code and receive a 10-per-cent discount on the performance (\$36 per ticket with discount) when you order your tickets from the Centre for the Arts Box Office at: 905-688-5550, ext. 3257, or online at: www.arts.brocku.ca

## Centre for the Arts Presents Jim Cuddy with guest Jim Bryson 7:30 p.m., Centre for the Arts - Sean O'Sullivan Theatre, Brock Campus

The Centre for the Arts is proud to present Jim Cuddy with guest Jim Bryson for a very special Brock Days event on Saturday, September 25, at 7:30 p.m. Renowned as one half of Canada's most popular song writing teams, Jim Cuddy is as impressive as a solo artist as he is with Blue Rodeo. His brilliant song writing and familiar voice have made him a Canadian musical icon. Hailed as a superb and infectiously gifted singersongwriter, Jim Bryson will open for Jim. Tickets are \$40 each. Brock graduates receive a 10-per-cent discount on tickets. Visit www.brockpeople.ca for your coupon code before you order your tickets. Contact the Centre for the Arts Box Office at: 905-688-5550, ext. 3257, or online at: www.arts.brocku.ca

Brock Days Philosophy Conference September 25-26, Brock Campus

On September 25-26, the Brock Philosophy Society will host a conference on Professor Harry Hunt's book on Secular Mysticism. North America's foremost expert of Shamanism, Stanley Krippner, will give the keynote address. The question of a mystical core (or cores) expressed in a variety of metaphors will be discussed in such writers as Emerson, Thoreau, Nietzsche, Heidegger and Jung. For more information, please contact David Goicoechea at: 905-892-4987.

Sunday, September 26

### Alumni Association AGM 11:30 a.m., Rodman Hall Arts Centre

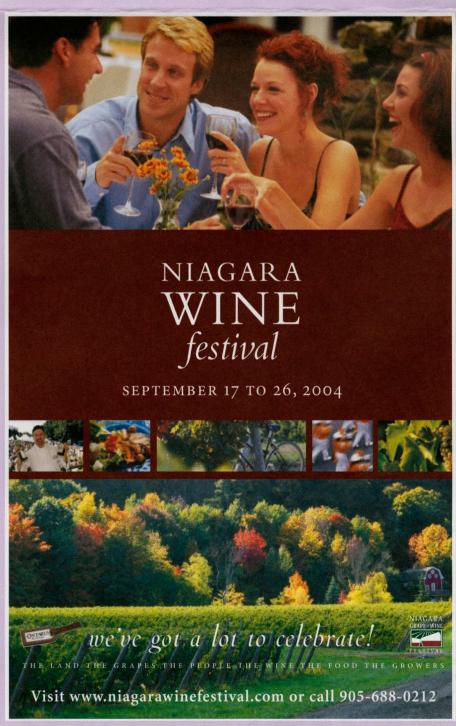
All alumni are encouraged to attend the new and improved Brock University Alumni Association (BUAA) Annual General Meeting. The meeting will be held on Sunday, September 26, at 11:30 a.m. at Brock's newest facility, Rodman Hall.

Join us for brunch and see what your Alumni Association is doing for you. The AGM will feature a report from the BUAA executive, visioning and direction for the upcoming year and a special presentation of several distinguished graduating student awards. Tours of Rodman Hall will be offered following the meeting.

The agenda and directions to Rodman Hall are posted on the BUAA Web site under AGM, www.brocku.ca/alumniassoc/Alumni and guests are welcome.

# Don't miss the action during these Brock Days varsity athletic events

| Date          | Contest        | Time           | Sport        | Location        |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Fri, Sept. 24 | Durham College | 5:30 p.m.      | Baseball     | Community Park  |
| Sat, Sept. 25 | Alumni         | 10:00 p.m.     | Baseball     | Community Park  |
| Sat, Sept. 25 | Waterloo       | 1:00/3:30 p.m. | Baseball     | Community Park  |
| Sat, Sept. 25 | Laurier        | 6:40 p.m.      | Hockey (W)   | Merritton Arena |
| Sat, Sept. 25 | York           | 1:00/3:00 p.m. | Soccer (M&W) | Brock Fields    |
| Sun, Sept. 26 | Waterloo       | 2:10 p.m.      | Hockey (W)   | Merritton Arena |
| Sun, Sept. 26 | Carleton       | 3:00 p.m.      | Rugby (M)    | Brock Fields    |
| Sun, Sept. 26 | Toronto        | 1:00/3:00 p.m. | Soccer (M&W) | Brock Fields    |
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Niagara Wine Festival Friday, September 17, to Sunday, September 26 11:00 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Join our "Wine Country" celebration of Niagara's internationally acclaimed grape and wine industry the last two weeks of September. More than 100 events including winery tours and tastings, concerts, Niagara cuisine, artisan shows, wine seminars, family entertainment and one of Canada's largest parades. Selected as Ontario's Cultural Event of the Year for three years in a row and as one of North America's Top 100 Events by the American Bus Association in 2003. Location: Montebello Park, **Downtown St. Catharines** vidal@niagarawinefestival.com Web site: www.niagarawinefestival.com Phone: 905-688-0212 Fax: 905-688-2570 Brock Days is held in partnership

**Badger Weekend featuring** Pat Hewitt -Nov. 12 - 14, 2004

with the Niagara Grape and Wine

Festival.

Join the 2nd annual celebration of Brock Badger Athletics during the Badger Weekend November 12 - 14. Cheer on the Badgers at the many sporting events being held both on and off campus. Don't miss the action at the following Badger Weekend events!

Friday, November 12 6:00 p.m. Women's Basketball vs York 7:30 p.m. Men's Hockey vs Windsor 8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball vs York

Saturday, November 13 9:00 a.m. Fencing, Brock Invitational 2:00 p.m. Women's Basketball vs

4:00 p.m. Men's Basketball vs Laurentian 4:00 p.m. Men's Hockey vs Windsor 6:40 p.m. Women's Hockey vs York 7:00 p.m. Women's Volleyball vs RMC

8:00 p.m. Pat Hewitt in Isaac's

Sunday, November 14 9:00 a.m. Fencing, Brock Invitational 2:00 p.m. Women's Volleyball vs Queen's

For information on scheduled games call 905-688-5550, exts. 3384/4398 http://www.brocku.ca/athletics/.

Pat Hewitt - Back by Popular Demand

Many asked for it, and now Pat is back on Saturday, November 13, at Isaac's

Pat has been Brock's most popular entertainer to date, having played to packed audiences on campus for over two decades. To prove that you can never get enough of a good thing, Pat will entertain with an abundance of rock'n'roll classics and favourites such as "The Wild West Show," "Gracie," and of course no party would be complete without "Puff the Magic Dragon.'

To make this Pat's greatest performance yet, why not get your friends together and join Pat in Isaac's on Saturday, Nov. 13. If you require assistance locating old friends call Lynne in the Alumni Office at 905-688-5550, ext. 3251, or e-mail lynirion@brocku.ca.

Four tickets per person maximum. Reserved seating for advance ticket sales held until 9:00 p.m. only. For ticket information call Brock Centre for the Arts at 905-688-5550, ext. 3157.

# Brock celebrates the Class 2004

More than 2,500 Brock students graduated at Spring Convocation with degrees and certificates in recognition of their hard work and academic commitment.

The Spring 2004 graduating class was the University's largest, bringing the total number of graduates in Brock's 40-year history to more than

The following is a sampling of the messages the honorary degree recipients shared with graduates in their Convocation addresses:



Dr. Phil Fontaine, Assembly of First Nations National Chief: "I have dedicated my life to reaching out to all Canadians to re-build and re-

Dr. Phil Fontaine

invigorate our historic partnership, to work together people-to-people, government-to-government, and nation-to-nation. The honour you have bestowed on me today is a humbling acknowledgement of my efforts. But I believe it is just as much a magnificent testament to you for recognizing the importance of



Dr. Gillian Dooley, Executive Director of Women's Place of St. Catharines and North Niagara: "You have worked hard to reach this milestone in your life, and you

should be very proud of your achievements. You have learned not only to ask questions, but also which questions to ask and how to search for the answers. You have learned how to teach others to do the



Dr. Donald Triggs, President, Chief Executive Officer and a Director of Vincor International Inc.: "What looks like a curveball may in fact

Dr. Donald Triggs be the best pitch you will ever get. You need to play it to find out ... You must follow your instincts. Chase your dreams.



Nobody else will do it for you. Dr. Robert Giroux, former President of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada:

"In this room, we have the decision-

makers, the innovators and the leaders of tomorrow. You and all of your colleagues graduating at Brock and across Canada are key to the success of the global economy. I am privileged to be with you today and I thank you for this great honour.'

Due to personal circumstances, Canadian advertising icon Terry



Brock's first two PhD students. Heather Chalmers of St. Catharines, right, graduated with the University's first PhD in Psychology, while Candace Panagabko, also of St. Catharines, graduated the same day with the first PhD in Biotechnology.

O'Malley was out of the country and unable to attend Convocation to receive his honorary degree.

English Professor John Lye, who is Chair of Senate at Brock, delivered the Convocation address, offering graduates three key points of guidance: It's your world to make; it only takes one person to change someone's life for the better; hone your skills and be positive, there will always be a place for your talents.

Students achievements recognized

Kelly Campbell of Cape Breton, Nova Ścotia, received the Governor-General's Gold Medal, which is awarded to the student with the highest standing of all graduates in a Master's degree. Campbell, who graduated with a Master's degree in Psychology, is now a PhD student in Psychology at Brock.
The Governor-General's Silver

Medal, for the undergraduate student with the highest standing of all graduates in a first honours Bachelor's degree, was awarded to Rahul Shukla of Thorold. Rahul majored in Health Sciences.

The following students received Dean's Medals:

Faculty of Applied Health Sciences Honours Degree: Rahul Shukla of Thorold (Health Sciences).

• Pass Degree: Sabrina Sonia Ciotti of Brantford (Community Health Sciences).

Faculty of Business

• Honours Degree: Jeremy Doan of Beamsville (Accounting Co-op). Faculty of Education

• Brenda Nicholls of Hamilton (Pre-service Education).

Faculty of Humanities

Honours Degree: Jordan Diacur of St. Catharines (History).
Pass Degree: Steven Zaporzan of St. Catharines (History).

Faculty of Mathematics and

• Honours Degree: Kevin Arthur Bayne of St. Catharines (Mathematics).

· Pass Degree: Wolfgang Haas of Niagara Falls (Computer Science). Faculty of Social Sciences

 Honours Degree: Marie Louise Good of St. Catharines (Child and Youth Studies).

• Pass Degree: Allison Nicole Clift of Brights Grove, Ontario (Child and Youth Studies/Education).

# Teaching excellence honoured

Brock University honoured six faculty members for their contributions to teaching as part of the Spring 2004 Convocation ceremonies:

• Professor Maureen Donnelly of the Department of Accounting and Finance, in the Faculty of Business

• Professor Ken Kernaghan of the Department of Political Science, in the Faculty of Social Sciences

• Professor Jane Koustas of the Department of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures, in the Faculty of Humanities • Professor Mei Ling Huang of the Department of Mathematics, in the Faculty

of Mathematics and Science • Professor Ruth McQuirter Scott of the Pre-Service Department, in the Faculty

• Professor Ryan Plummer of the Department of Recreation and Leisure Studies, in the Faculty of Applied Health Sciences

For more information, please go to www.brocku.ca and click on "News."

# Brock approves largest budget in its history

The Brock University Board of Trustees recently approved a record \$156-million operating budget, which contains significant spending increases for the 2004-05 fiscal year. The budget includes an \$11.5 million or 8 per cent increase in spending over last year to accommodate continued growth in salary and benefit costs, programming and capital projects.

"Due to sound financial planning, the University is well positioned to meet its goals, as it continues to experience significant expansion," said Brock University President David Atkinson. "Although the budget is balanced, the University will be under financial pressure for the coming year. We are looking forward to the outcome of the Rae Commission on post-secondary education in response to chronic underfunding of Ontario universities."

The basic operating grant from the Government of Ontario is estimated to be \$55,346,454, an increase of \$3.1 million, with total grants at \$63,304,452. The consequences of the latest provincial budget have left little room for new initiatives. As a result, no new faculty or staff positions have been

approved for 2004-05. To meet the growing demand for a Brock education, the University is continuing with its capital expansion program. A part of the 2003 SuperBuild initiative, the Ontario government awarded Brock \$3.82 million. The funding is allocated for the Taro Hall Academic Expansion, a \$10million project which includes the construction of a three-storey building, also housing a new campus store. As well, plans are underway for the development of a Lifespan Development Research Centre. The Centre will provide a centralized location for 40 faculty members to study how development occurs across

the human lifespan. The University has already invested more than \$100 million in campus expansion over the last five years with the construction of academic buildings, the Walker Complex, which is Niagara's largest recreational facility, student residences and other facilities.

For more information, please go to www.brocku.ca and click on "News."

# Edutravel destinations for 2005

Tuscany, Provence, Japan...where will they be going next? Brock's Continuing Education Department has planned five exciting new Edutravel trips for the coming year. Destinations for 2005 include Northern India, Italy, France, Peru and a unique look at the two cities of London and Paris.

Discover the history, traditions, techniques, recipes and style of Italian cooking while residing in a luxurious country villa in Italy. Visit virgin Amazon forests; experience the majestic heritage of the Inca civilizations and the magnificent ruins of the "Lost City" of Machu Picchu on a trip to Peru.

Brock Geography professor Hugh Gayler leads A Tale of Two (very different) Cities in June 2005, which will offer travellers the opportunity to explore the European cities of London and Paris by going beyond the usual tourist sites.

For more information on these trips, contact Brock's Continuing Education department at 905-688-5550, ext. 4775 or visit their Web site at www.brocku.ca/conted/edutravel

## 1971

Chhiu-Tsu Lin (MSc, chem) wins Northern Illinois University's top prize for research. Chhiu-Tsu is a veteran professor of chemistry and biochemistry and has won all three of NIU's major faculty awards including the Presidential Teaching Professorship (2001) and the Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award (1999).

John Sheffield (BA, hist; MEd, '83) has retired from teaching after 31 years with Halton District School Board. He began his career at Maple Grove in Oakville in 1972 and completed his career at Tom Thomson in Burlington on June 30, 2003.

## 1981

Gord Cumming (BA, soci) works in Rich Products' world headquarters in Buffalo, N.Y. and oversees the employees in both the U.S. and Canada. He is the director of Associate Services. Gord was recently named head of Rich's campus food operations. Four years ago he earned his pilot's licence and spends his spare time flying a single-engine Cessena from the Welland Ontario airport.

### 1982

Brian Jobb (BSc, biol/uest) was elected Chair of the Ontario Water Works Association (OWWA). Brian has been active in both the drinking water and waste water sectors since graduating from Brock University, Environmental Biology. His career has included several years with the Ontario Ministry of the Environment's drinking water research group and more recently in the private sector as a technical service representative with suppliers of products and equipment designed to ensure safe drinking water. He currently is Vice-President, Sales and Marketing with MS Filters Inc.

## 1987

Yolande Bissonnette (BA, Fren) received the Niagara College Student Administrative Council's (SAC) Educator of the Year award.



Peter Vietgen

Peter Vietgen (BA, geog/visa) after receiving a BEd from the University of Toronto taught with the Education Department of Harbourfront Corp, taught Visual Arts with the Toronto Board of Education, and then became an Art Consultant

for the Toronto District School Board (the new amalgamated board). Whilst consulting, Peter completed his MEd at OISE/UT in Arts Curriculum. He is currently completing his PhD in Art Education in the Faculty of Fine Arts at Concordia University in Montreal. Peter has accepted the position, Lecturer in Art Education at the Faculty of Education, Brock University. Vietgen says, "I am very excited to be returning back to my 'alma mater' in this exciting time of growth and change for Brock! I am especially looking forward to working in close contact with Rodman Hall Arts Centre, a new jewel in Brock's crown"!

Denis Dyack (BPhEd/BSc) the owner of St. Catharines computer game designer Silicon Knights has a hit with its latest Nintendo GameCube title Metal Gear Solid: The Twin Snakes. Silicon Knights was founded in 1992 by Denis and friend Rick Goertz (BSc, cosc, '90; BEd, '91) who both studied Computer Science at Brock University. The company started with two people and has grown to about 70.

James Zettler (BPhEd), sergeant with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police force has served across B.C. for 13 years. His postings have included Hope, Lytton, Alert Bay, Squamish, Takla Landing, and Baker Lake, Nunavut.

# 1991

Astrid Goodman (BBA) has opened a practice in Fonthill, Ontario. Working from the offices of Ironwood Wealth Management Group, Astrid will offer residents of the Niagara region financial services and products. She has more than 11 years of experience in the financial services sector

and has overseen portfolios of more than \$145 million in investment assets while employed as a senior financial consultant at a firm assisting medical professional clients. The Ironwood Wealth Management offices are at 200 Highway 20 East, Suite 4 in Fonthill. You can reach Astrid at 905-892-7568 or 1-877-892-7568.

### 1994

Dale Andrews (BA, geoh; BEd, '95) released the first interactive CD-ROM textbook for teaching Communications Technology and Video Production in North America. It includes over 700 pages of theory and tutorials as well as 90 minutes of video that has been created to enhance the topics being taught. The theory pages include additional learning opportunities in the form of pop-up definitions, weblinks, graphics, audio and full motion video. Information videos have been created on directing, cinematography and storytelling to make this a multimedia experience that students will enjoy using and want to use.

Sheryl Johnston (BA/BEd; MEd, '96) is volunteering with the Peel Committee on Sexual Assault (PCSA) as a member of their Community Advisory Group (CAG).

Doug MacDougall (MEd) has been appointed principal of St. Michael School, Oakville, Ontario for September 2004.

Chris Bodnar (BACC) was appointed a tax partner with Crawford Smith & Swallow Chartered Accountants LLP. His specialized areas of practice include estate planning, corporate reorganizations and U.S. taxation.

Lise Cloutier (BA, hlst) graduated with a Master's degree in Physical Therapy from D'Youville College on May 22, 2004.

Tom Wylie (BACC) has joined the team of professionals at R.K. Shaver Chartered Accountants. He earned his Chartered Accountant designation in 2001 and has continued to develop his professional services skill set with a focus on ownermanaged businesses.

# 2002

Simon Rosa (BA, csmc) graduated from D'Youville College where he obtained a Master of Science degree in Elementary Education.

Rob Steven (BACC; MACC, '03) has joined the team of Crawford Smith & Swallow Chartered Accountants LLP. He specializes in the field of taxation, providing services for personal and corporate clients in Canada and the U.S. Rob is currently pursuing a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) designation.

James Little (BACC) has successfully passed the required examinations of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants to achieve his C.A. designation. He is now employed with Deloitte & Touche (St. Catharines).

Cindy Therrien (BA, psyc) is the Welland Tribune's advertising assistant. She provides clerical and sales support in the retail advertising department as well as serving local advertisers in a variety of ways.

Laura Tolhoek (BA, csbc) is heading to Sheridan College in the fall, but currently heads up the summer employment program at the Human Resource Centre of Canada for Students. The St. Catharines office, on the third floor of the federal government building at 43 Church St., is a resource centre for youths looking for work and businesses looking to employ them. As an employment officer, Laura helps job hunters with résumés, cover letters and any other job issues.

# Births

Nancy (Wells) Atrill (BA, FREN, '95) and Steve Atrill, a son, Benjamin Ryan, January

Rob Axiak (BRLS, '97), a daughter, Megan Laura, October 2, 2003.

Jennifer (Kwasnik) Baird (BA, hlst, '99), a daughter, Avery Jaelyn, January 28, 2004.

Melinda (Toffolo) Bilotta (BA, hlst, '98) and Jim Bilotta (BPhED, '94), a son, Breenen James, February 17, 2004.

Leah Champagne-Guitard (BA/BEd, '95), twins, Andrew James and Daniel Emmett, April 10, 2004.

Trevor Chapman (BA, admi/math, '93) and Natalie (Brunetta) Chapman (BA, admi/math, '95), a daughter, Adrianna, February 14, 2004.

James Cook (BA, Cana/hist, '95), a daughter, Zara, March 2, 2004.

Heidi (Oud) Dunn (BBA, '98), a son, Braedyn, February 3, 2004.

Mark Goveia (BA, admi/poli, '94), a daughter, Isabella Anna, June 26, 2004.

Dana Guthrie (BPhEd, '97), a son, Tyler, May

Tracy (Masse) Hart (BA, soci, '95), a son, Aidan, August 26, 2003.

Shelly (Hull) Jeffery (BBA, '98), a son, Kieran Clayton George, January 22, 2004.

Carrie Johnstone-Terrey (BA, hist/poli, '97), a son, Keegan Spencer, December 1, 2003.

Karen (Oderkirk) Jolley (BACC, '99) and Darren Jolley (BBE, '98), a son, Nathaniel Frederick, April, 14, 2004.

Christine (Hatton) Keith (BA, hist, '95; BSc, cosc, '97) and Kevin Keith (BSc, cosw, '97), a son, Carter Richard, March 19, 2004.

Darren Kwok (BBA, '96) and Tammy Vineski (BBA, '96), a daughter, Megan, March 16, 2004.

Feng Lin (BBA, '97), a son, Sean, November

Michelle (Gallo) Nelson (BPhEd, '97), a daughter, Emilie Marion, May 19, 2003.

Andrew Raymer (BBA, '01), a son, Nicholas, May 15, 2004. Sarah Rush (BPhEd, '99), a son, Reid, March

7, 2004. Karen Siple Lavergne (BA, psyc, '95), a son,

Adam Thomas, February 10, 2004.

Shannon (Tully) South (BA, admi/poli, '95), a son Brandon James, November 15, 2003.

Laura Toal-Mino (BBA, '99) and Brian Mino (BACC, '00), a son, January 16, 2004.

David Wiebe (BA, poli, '95), a daughter, Zoe Grace, February 13, 2003.

# Marriages

Lisa Drake (BA, clas, '94) and David Parkes, August 1, 2002.

Paul John Hildebrand (BA, film, '94) and Maryanne Elizabeth Hoekstra (BA, Fren, '96), October 11, 2003.

Erin Silmser (BA, chld, '97; BEd, '98) and James Beattie, July 12, 2003.

# In Memoriam

Harry Ash (BA, admi/econ, '85), April 14, 2004.

Doug Loggie (BBE, '86), September 2, 2000.

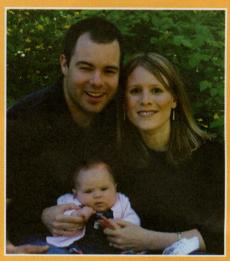
Rose Marie Masley (BEdRT2, '85), May 7,

Jeff Puckett (BPhEd, '88), March 6, 2004.

Rob Stokes (BSc, biol, '98), July 5, 2003



Scott Young (BA, hlst, '99) and Jaime K. Leasa (BPhEd, '00; BEd, '01), June 28, 2003.



David Bradacs (BSc, ersc, '99) and Christie (Luke) Bradacs (BA/BEd, '99), a daughter, Emma, February 2, 2004.



David Lafleur (BAdmin, '90) and, shown above, Kristi (Groover) Lafleur (BA, Engl, '90) twin girls, Meagan Dorothy and Karly Carmin, June 4,



Violetta Goumas (BEdAED, '02) and Elias Sevaptisdis, November 1, 2003.

# **AlumNews photos**

Brock graduates are invited to submit photos for publication in the AlumNews section of

Electronic photos are preferable. High quality print reproduction requires that electronic photos be 300 dpi and submitted in JPEG format. Please e-mail photos to vterpak@brocku.ca

Photos will be published in Surgite! based on the quality of print reproduction and if space is available due to the number of submissions received. Photos that are not published will be posted on www.brockpeople.ca

For more AlumNews, go to: brockpeople.ca

# brockpeople.ca is your portal to Brock Days

# **Alumni Pub Night**

Thursday, September 23 Visit brockpeopleforum for a list of former and current faculty and staff who will be joining the party.

# Afternoon in the Park

Saturday, September 25 Visit brockpeopleforum for a complete list of reunions at Montebello Park and who will be there.

## Jim Cuddy Live at the Brock Centre for the Arts

Saturday, September 25 Alumni receive a 10% discount through brockpeople.ca

# Jim Cuddy pre-show meet and

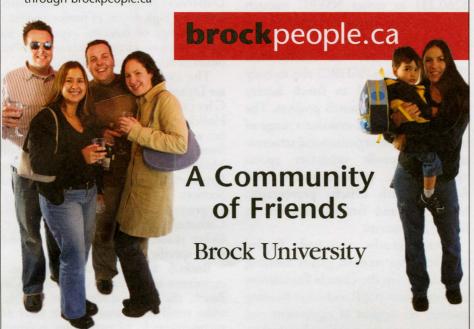
Alumni tickets available through brockpeople.ca

## **Accommodation Discounts**

Check brockpeople.ca for Alumni discounts at area hotels during Brock

## **Enter to WIN two tickets** to Jim Cuddy's performance at Brock Centre for the Arts

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Visit www.brockpeople.ca. Enter your former student ID# (your login) and your birth date (your password yyyymmdd). Contact the brockpeople administrator at brockpeople@brocku.ca or the Office of University Advancement at 905-688-5550, ext. 3816, if you require assistance.

For more news and events please go to: www.brocku.ca

# Return your AlumNews to the Office of University Advancement, Brock University, St. Catharines, Ontario L2S 3A1 or fax it to: 905-641-5216 or e-mail: vterpak@brocku.ca or share it online at: www.brockpeople.ca

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# **Alumni Association news and events** www.brockalumni.ca

# **Board of Directors nominations**

The Alumni Association Board of Directors is seeking enthusiastic and energetic Brock grads to serve on the Board of Directors. As advocates for all Brock grads, the board is looking for alumni of all ages and experience in order to accurately represent the Brock alumni body.

Nominations can be submitted via the Alumni Association Web site at www.brockalumni.ca or by contacting Terry Cockerline at 905-688-5550, ext. 4502. tcockerline@brockpeople.ca. Nominations are due Saturday, September 11, 2004.

## Get involved!

Interested in volunteering on a Alumni Association Committee, helping out an event, or attending an event? To sign up visit www.brockalumni.ca or contact Terry Cockerline at 905-688-5550, ext. 4921.

## Ninth Annual Alumni Association Golf Tournament - September 18

A great reason to get together with your Brock pals. Foursomes are still available for the tournament. This year's golf tournament will feature a best ball format with a few twists along the way, including a \$10,000 hole-in-one

competition sponsored by Rose, Horne and Stevenson. Reserve your foursome today; \$85 for a single or \$340 per foursome. Dinner only - tickets are \$30. Register by contacting the Centre for the Arts Box Office at 905-688-5550, ext. 3257 or www.arts.brocku.ca.

To be a hole sponsor or make a prize donation, please contact Terry Cockerline at 905-688-5550, ext. 4921 or tcockerline@brockpeople.ca.

# **Annual General Meeting**

All alumni are encouraged to attend the new and improved Brock University Alumni Association (BUAA) Annual General Meeting. The meeting will be held on Sunday, September 26, at 11:30 a.m. at Brock's newest facility, Rodman

Join us for brunch and see what your Alumni Association is doing for you. The AGM will feature a report from the BUAA executive, visioning and direction for the upcoming year and a special presentation of several student awards. Tours of Rodman Hall will be offered following the meeting.

The agenda and directions to Rodman Hall are posted on the BUAA Web site, www.brocku.ca/alumniassoc/ under AGM. Alumni and guests are welcome.

Visit the BUAA Web site at www.brockalumni.ca for full event details and reports.

# Historic agreement



Brock University and the First Nations University of Canada (FNUC) entered into an agreement which marks a historic moment in Aboriginal education. Through the agreement, Brock University will bring the Bachelor of Education in Aboriginal Adult Education (ABADED) program to FNUC in Regina, Saskatchewan. Brock's ABADED program is unique in North America and this is the first agreement of its kind.

Celebrating this historic occasion, from left, back row, were: Dr. Merle Richards, Brock Professor of Education; Dr. Eber Hampton, President of FNUC; Marie Bowering, Brock graduate and member of Gathering Thunder; Audra Sewell, Aboriginal Education Council Co-Chair, Brock graduate and member of Gathering Thunder; Dr. David Atkinson, Brock President; Dr. Michael Manley-Casimir, Dean of the Brock Faculty of Education; John Hodson, Aboriginal Coordinator in the Faculty of Education at Brock and member of Gathering Thunder; and Janie Hodson, Administrative Assistant in the Faculty of Education and member of Gathering Thunder. Kneeling in the front row are, left, Mark Chindemi, (BA, thea, '01) Brock graduate and member of Gathering Thunder, and Steve Baranyai, a Brock student and member of Gathering Thunder. The Drum 'Wiinimkiikaa' (Gathering Thunder in English) is considered a grandfather in Aboriginal tradition.

For more information, please go to www.brocku.ca and click on "News."

# BROCK Briefs

Citizen of the year

Alun Hughes, an Associate Professor in the Department of Geography, was named Thorold's Citizen of the Year by the city's Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber selected Hughes for this prestigious community award mainly in recognition of his work in researching Thorold's unique past.

"I feel very honoured to receive this award," said Hughes. "Writing about Thorold's history is something I thoroughly enjoy doing, for the city has a rich and fascinating past, much of it unexplored. As a professor, I am delighted by the way my research has been received in the community."

## **OUA honours Davis**

Bob Davis, the former Athletic Director of Brock University, was honoured recently at the 2004 Ontario University Athletics (OUA) Annual General Meeting as the recipient of the J.P. Loosemore Award, which is awarded to an individual whose administrative contribution, dedication and commitment has made a significant impact on university sport.

# National awards

At the 2004 ACE Edge of Opportunity National Exposition held May 9 to May 12 in Toronto, ACE Brock had another impressive showing. Out of 43 competing teams, ACE (Advancing Canadian Entrepreneurship) Brock placed second in Ventures, third in SIFE, and in the top 10 in Fair Enterprise. In addition, ACE Brock also placed first with its student business owner support program. ACE Brock member Alicja Konefal was one of five students from across Canada to win a prestigious John Dobson ACE Founder's Bursary.

# Surgite! Fall 2004

# Coming soon to a community near you!

Brock University Liaison Officers will be travelling extensively this fall, giving presentations about Brock to prospective students and their families. Please check in with the Guidance Department of your local high school or e-mail us at liaison@brocku.ca to learn when we will be visiting your area.

# Celebrating 40 Years of Excellence - Come see how we've grown!

Brock University Campus Tours are conducted Monday to Friday, twice daily at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. and select Saturdays at 12 noon. Reservations are appreciated and can be made at www.brocku.ca/prospective or by calling 905-688-5550, ext. 4293.

## Fall Preview Day: Sunday October 17, 2004

Fall Preview Day is an excellent event for prospective Brock students to attend. The day provides a terrific opportunity to tour the campus and visit with professors, staff, and current students representing the wide range of university programs and services. Please register for this exciting event at www.brocku.ca/prospective.

# Research funding continues to grow at Brock

Science and Engineering Research Canada (NSERC) recently awarded grants to Brock faculty members totalling \$1,880,762 over five years, all of which are for new projects. Of that amount, NSERC awarded \$136,382 for five equipment grants. The total value of new grants for 2004-05 is \$562,294. All of these awards are in addition to the \$260,231 in earlier NSERC research and equipment grants for projects that are ongoing in 2004-05.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Canada (SSHRC) also recently awarded \$378,772 to Brock faculty members for six research projects. The funded projects will examine a range of topics, from the organizational structure of not-for-profit volunteer sports organizations, to osteoporosis risk factors, health beliefs, preventative behaviours, and familial influence in female adolescents.

Two recently recruited faculty members also received grants totalling \$118,000 from the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) and other funding partners in support of equipment and infrastructure costs associated with their research programs. The grants were awarded as part of the CFI New Opportunities Fund in June 2004.

# Brock MBA students offer consulting service

Students in the Master of Business Administration program at Brock University are offering a variety of consulting services to the community in the areas of marketing, human resources, financial forecasting and planning, and business strategy.

The Brock MBA Business Consulting Service, which officially opened in May, employs MBA candidates from the University's program. These consultants provide a high degree of professionalism and a range of business experience to help clients cost-effectively solve

business-related problems.

The two MBA student consultants are Danny Chiu of Thornhill, Ont., and Christopher Schutz, (BSc, biol/chem,'90), of St. Catharines. Chiu has worked in Toronto as a Pension and Benefits Administrator with the Bank of Montreal and as a Commodity Sales Representative with Enbridge Home Services. Schutz is President and Lead Programmer with front9 systems in St. Catharines. He has a PhD in Biology. Other students may become involved when specific skills are needed.

Backed by the knowledge and experience of the Faculty of Business at Brock, the MBA students are able to assist small businesses in such areas as survey research, telemarketing, training programs and manuals, cash flow analysis, budgeting and financial planning, business plans and strategy

eviews.

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# Brock appoints Director/Curator of Rodman Hall Arts Centre

An art historian with extensive experience in a variety of capacities in the public art gallery field is the newly appointed Director/Curator of the Rodman Hall Arts Centre, Brock University.

Gordon Hatt comes to Brock from Cambridge Galleries where, as Curator, he oversaw an annual schedule of approximately 15 exhibitions at two locations. These exhibitions were a mix of work by developing regional artists and provincially and nationally significant mid-career artists. The exhibitions Hatt developed and curated have all emerged from the motivation to develop a larger audience for contemporary art.

Hatt joined Brock in early August.

"This appointment is an important next step for the Rodman Hall Arts Centre as the University continues to enhance programming and build community relationships," said University President David Atkinson. "Gordon Hatt brings an impressive range of experience to this position as both a curator and exhibition manager.

At Brock, Hatt will be responsible for curating exhibitions, developing art education and programming related arts events and activities at Rodman Hall. In addition he will be teaching Approaches to Curatorial Practice for the Department of Visual Arts.

For more information, please go to www.brocku.ca and click on "News."

