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Surgite! /sur-gi-tay/ Latin for "Push on!" The inspiring last words of Maj.-Gen. Sir Isaac Brock

## HONG KONG

### China's alternative future

by Peter Goodspeed (BA, poli, '74)

Insecurity and uncertainty have always made life difficult in Hong Kong.

Near the fishing village of Shek O, on the rugged eastern shore of Hong Kong island, there are some 4,000 year-old rock carvings that appeal to the sea gods for good fortune.

Even now, the same sort of special pleading takes place daily, in hundreds of Hong Kong's twisting alleys and smoke-filled temples, as Chinese residents offer traditional gifts of fruit and meat to their

ancestral gods with prayers for guidance and prosperity.

Now that Hong Kong is, once again, part of China, its sense of vulnerability must be overwhelming.

Few people who live there have ever placed much trust in China's repeated claims it will honor the "One Country-Two Systems" agreement negotiated with Britain in 1984 to ensure Hong Kong's return to the mainland.

The tragedy of Tiananmen Square in 1989 and the tensions



Hong Kong Tourist Association

View of Hong Kong and Kowloon from Victoria Peak

that have plagued Sino-British relations right up to the July 1 handover this year have only deepened that distrust.

The conventional wisdom for the last decade has been that, economically, Hong Kong is too valuable to be harmed by China—its economic importance is so great (tiny Hong Kong's gross domestic product is one quarter that of China's) that Beijing will bend over

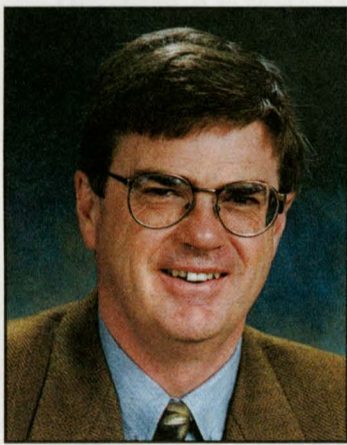
backwards to preserve the former British colony as China's window on the world.

But deep in their hearts, the people of Hong Kong know better. They know that their small thriving city state will be poison to China. And they know, that in a worst case scenario, they are too small and too powerless to prevent China from crushing them.

That conflict and the potential tragedy it contains is the main reason 6,000 foreign journalists descended on Hong Kong to cover its "glorious reunification with the motherland." And it's the main reason half a million Hong Kong residents have fled their homes to become Canadians during the last eight years.

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## David Atkinson appointed President of Brock University



David Atkinson was appointed President and Vice-Chancellor of Brock University at a meeting of the University's Board of Trustees held Thursday, March 13. The appointment concluded an eight-month process of ongoing consultation with the university community and

a search which attracted strong candidates from across the country.

Formerly Dean, College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Saskatchewan, Dr. Atkinson was responsible for 24 departments which provide instruction to 7,000 undergraduate students and 500 graduate students. The College has 350 faculty, an operating budget of \$33 million, and \$10 million in external research funding. Since his appointment to the University of Saskatchewan in July 1991, David Atkinson was a Professor of Religious Studies and Associate Member, Department of English.

Over the past 25 years, Prof. Atkinson has held increasingly senior academic appointments at the University of Calgary, the Uni-

versity of Lethbridge, and, since 1991, the University of Saskatchewan. His teaching has ranged from Chaucer to Milton and from Classical Buddhist Philosophy to Modern Indian Religions. During this period, he also undertook a range of administrative responsibilities.

The author of four books, David Atkinson has contributed chapters to 19 more. He has presented more than 50 conference papers and authored more than 25 refereed papers.

As a member of the Board of Directors of the Saskatoon Symphony Orchestra Society since 1992, Dr. Atkinson chaired several committees and served as President. He was General Editor and Member of the Editorial Board of Religious Studies and Theology

and Director of the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute. Among a number of additional external appointments, Dr. Atkinson was President Elect of the Conference of Deans of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences.

Prof. Atkinson earned his doctorate in 1975 from the University of Calgary. His PhD is in English with a specialization in Sixteenth and Seventeenth Century Religious Prose. Prior to earning both BA and MA degrees in English from the University of Calgary, David Atkinson studied at Indiana University. While studying in the United States, he was a member of the NCAA All American Cross Country Team. He was a member of the Canadian National Track and Field Team from 1967-69.

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Still, despite the entirely reasonable mass of predictions of impending political repression, I think there is more than a glimmer of hope for Hong Kong. After five years of living there and travelling extensively in China, I feel confident enough to predict Hong Kong's days of empire are far from finished.

In fact, they may have only just begun.

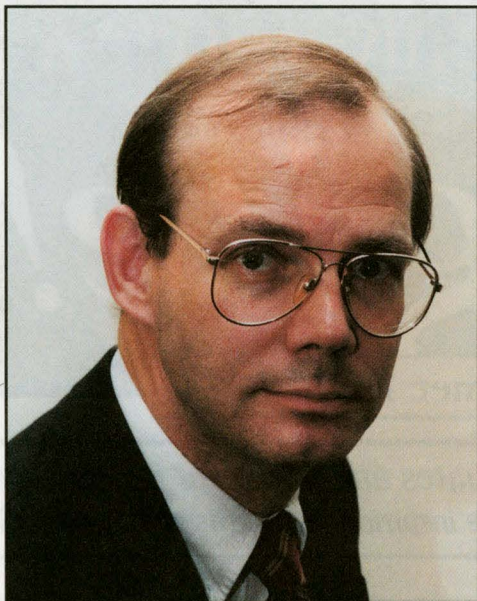
If you watch carefully over the next few years, I think you will find Hong Kong is going to quietly and subtly set out to conquer China.

The same spirit that turned a handful of barren resourceless islands into the world's eighth most dynamic economy is about to infect China in ways that its Communist masters never imagined—even in their wildest nightmares.

In the past, Hong Kong has always been a symbol of defeat and humiliation for China. Since it was ripped from the heart of the Middle Kingdom by Western barbarians 155 years ago in the Opium Wars, Hong Kong has remained an imperialist insult to Chinese nationalism.

Present day Hong Kong is equally alien to the mainland. It is a city of refugees, who fled Communism, and a bastion of unbridled capitalism, where the world's most avid entrepreneurs have successfully combined 19th century laissez-faire economics with 21st century high-tech wizardry.

It's not surprising, therefore, that China's leaders view the return of Hong Kong as a problem instead of an opportunity.



Brock graduate Peter Goodspeed

It's equally not surprising to realize that the same leaders who sent tanks to crush the students in Tiananmen Square are not going to tolerate much in the line of open political dissent in Hong Kong.

The people who live in Hong Kong know China's current leaders won't allow anything remotely approaching a semi-independent, democratic Chinese government to operate on Chinese soil. A dynamic, vocal and democratic Hong Kong can only show up all of mainland China's failings.

But then, Hong Kong has been doing just that for years. That's its great secret appeal

for the majority of mainland Chinese. Hong Kong is China's alternative future.

Seven years ago, as huge sections of Hong Kong's middle class fled overseas to escape the pain of Tiananmen Square, I encountered a new China in a back alley in the central Chinese city of Wuhan.

As I interviewed Xu Han Gao, a barber, who had abandoned his job in a state run barber shop to open his own business, the Best Beauty Hair Salon located in a dingy alley just off Wuhan's main business district, I saw the face of Hong Kong imperialism.

Xu's shop was filled with waiting customers and it throbbed to the sound of rock music squeezed from an expensive cassette player on a back counter. The music came from Hong Kong. The movie posters on the wall and the charts displaying the latest hairstyles, came from Hong Kong. Xu's ambition and his lingering lust for even greater improvements in China's living standards had a definite Hong Kong edge.

Consumerism had already conquered Communism. In hundreds of little ways, Hong Kong was already subtly changing the face of China through a combination of old hopes and new dreams.

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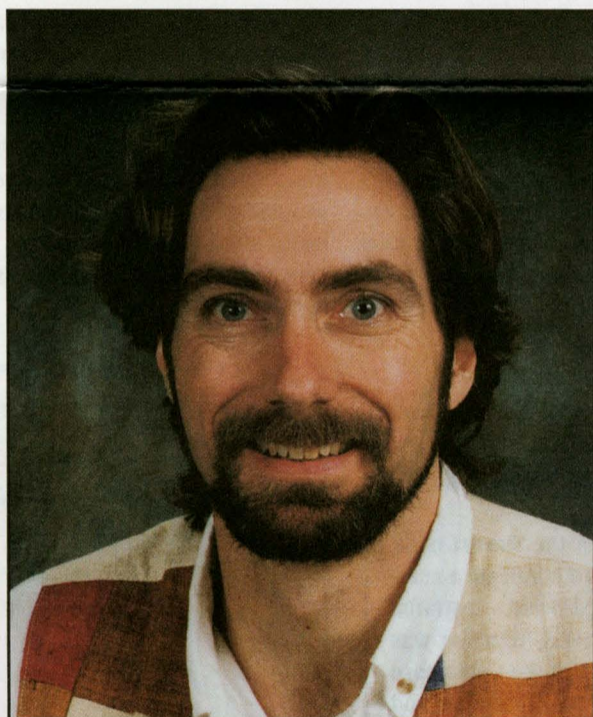
## Homecoming '97

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Watch your mailbox in late September for the Fall '97 issue of *Surgite!* which will include your Homecoming '97 schedule.

## Forum

# Ottawa funding critical to research



Doug Bruce

## by Doug Bruce

To understand the value in federal funding of university research, I believe it is necessary to take a closer look at the concept of research itself. As a human activity research is as varied as the problems investigated and as the individuals studying them. The common thread in all research is the posing of a question and the construction of a methodology designed to answer this question. The relative merit of the research depends on the skill of the investigator in both posing an unambiguous and testable research question and in addressing it with powerful and unambiguous techniques. Questions as diverse as "What is the most economical way to produce toothpicks?" or "What is the origin of our solar system?" can be approached with equal zeal by this "scientific method."

The two questions I've posed above exemplify two extremes in research. The optimization of a product or technology is an extremely popular kind of research that is often labeled as "applied research." The investigation of a phenomenon or elucidation of an unknown mechanism with no clear applicability beyond the question being asked is usually labeled as "basic research."

The merits of applied research are easy to understand. The reason for doing the research is based on a clear concept of improving something tangible that has immediate value beyond the question asked. In contrast, the only immediate value of basic research is in the progress made towards answering the posed question. The separation between applied and basic research is a simplification. The two can be intertwined and sometimes difficult to separate. Progress in applied research frequently depends on progress in basic research. Potential applications of basic research often take a long time to be realized. None of the technological marvels we currently take for granted could exist without the strong foundation of basic research they rest upon.

As expected most funding for applied research comes from sources with a vested interest in the immediate results of that research. In contrast, funding for basic research must come from sources with no immediate expectations beyond answers to the questions posed. Funding sources for applied research are quite varied. Industries, corporations, speculators and entrepreneurs can all see the value of applied research with its short-term payback. Funding for basic research must come from a source with a long-term vision. These sources are much harder to find. Who is willing to spend money to answer a question with no immediate profit?

This is where the concept of federal funding for research comes into play. By funding basic research, the federal government is responding to the public's desire to answer questions. The answers to these questions may well have no benefit other than the satiation of our shared human curiosity. It reflects the interest we have in our own existence and in the nature of our universe. The funding of basic research is also an investment in the future as the answers to basic research questions have often proven to be the keys to entirely new areas of science, technology and understanding and are always the cornerstones of applied research.

By its very nature, basic research must have no strings attached. It must be free from expectations for profit and short-term reward. Few environments allow this freedom. Although a number of corporations, industries and other institutions do support basic research, universities remain one of the strongest contributors. Support for basic research at universities is highly dependent on federal funding.

The critical importance of federal funding for research at universities thus lies in the freedom given the researcher to ask and answer basic questions. It is im-

portant to emphasize that the freedom required to nurture basic research does not mean that "anything goes." By virtue of the "scientific method," scientists are usually their own best critics. And if they are not, their scientific peers around the world are. Basic research is under a very tight control by peer review. Hypotheses must be testable, data must be strong, results must be reproducible and the questions themselves must be interesting. If shoddy work or ill-conceived ideas sneak past this review process and end up in the scientific literature, it is there for all to see and must stand the test of time. Future research will challenge most work and ultimately show any shortfalls.

Federal funding of basic research in natural science and engineering in Canada is controlled by the research grants program of the Natural Science and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC). The goal of the research grants program is to fund basic research of high quality. Grant applications are reviewed in a yearly competition by a panel of scientists familiar with the area of the application. Reviews by a number of Canadian and international experts in the area are also petitioned. Each application is discussed by the panel, and the funding level (ranging from the requested amount to nil) is decided upon.

My personal experience as a member of one of these panels has been enlightening. The amount of work put in by the panel members (all volunteer work!) is staggering. The level of interest in the review process and the seriousness with which the job is taken is also extremely high. I found the care with which the relatively small amount of money allocated to basic research in Canada is distributed to be truly amazing. The willingness of the scientific community to invest the time and effort required to do this job is another measure of the importance of these federal funds to basic research in Canada.

Humans are blessed or cursed with an insatiable curiosity, and basic research is a reflection of this. Basic research is the foundation which supports our modern technological society, as well as our current understanding of ourselves and our universe. But who will fund it? Where's the profit? Only sources with a very long-term vision will fund basic research. If we hope for anyone in Canada to hold a long-term vision of our future, it must be ourselves and our elected representatives, the federal government.

*Doug Bruce is a professor of Biological Sciences at Brock University.*

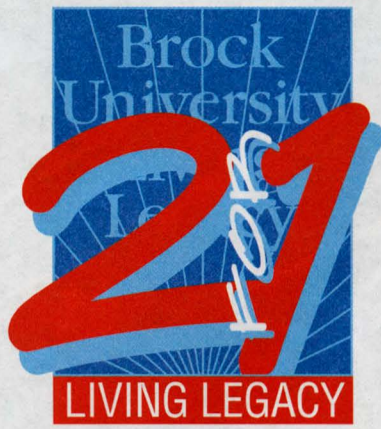


# Brock raises \$3.3 million and doubles endowment for student aid

Wrapping up a whirlwind 11-month campaign on March 31, Brock University announced \$3.3 million in funds raised for student awards. Matched by the Ontario government, these donations will double the University's endowment to more than \$12 million.

In May of 1996, the provincial government announced the Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund (OSOTF), an initiative that promised to match each dollar pledged by March 31, 1997 for student endowment. Brock reacted quickly to the government plan, launching the *2 for 1 Living Legacy Campaign*.

"When a donation is endowed, the University invests it and uses the interest earnings only to make student awards each year. Such awards, therefore, last in perpetuity. The government encouraged each university to apply its own policies in developing new awards through the OSOTF. They did require that each award developed with their matching funds go to students who are in financial need, and that recipients be



residents of Ontario for a minimum of 12 months, the same rule which applies to the Ontario Student Assistance Plan," explains *2 for 1 Campaign Director* and Executive Director of the Office of External Relations, Grant Dobson.

Pledges made prior to May 8, 1996 but paid by March 31, 1997 also qualified for matching in this campaign. Old pledges amounted to \$457,847, and when added to new cash and pledges of \$2,846,461, for a total of \$ 3,304,309 to be matched, the outcome equals \$6,608,619 to help build Brock's endowment, which itself had grown eight fold over the past 10 years. Graduates and parents of Brock students continued to demonstrate their generosity in this campaign as well; the TeleGrad program raised \$237,000.

"The opportunity to match dollars with the government, and in some ways therefore direct where your tax dollars go, has really caught the imagination of many in the University community and in the larger

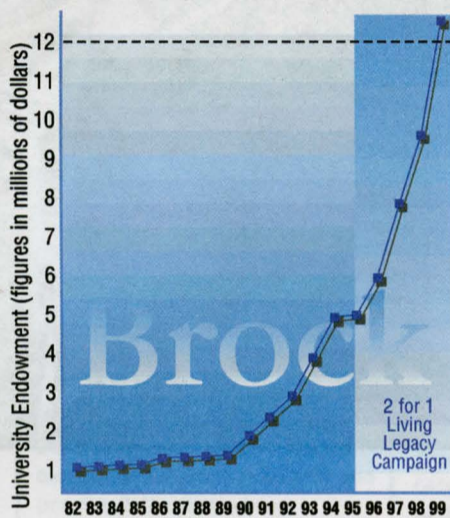
community, both Niagara and beyond," commented Acting President Susan Clark at a media conference on April 1. Dr. Clark noted that the campaign provided a unique opportunity for a young university like Brock to increase its endowment, which sat at \$6 million before the campaign began.

Board of Trustees Chair and *2 for 1 Chair*, Dr. Ken Fowler, thanked donors, volunteers and the local community for their outstanding

support of the campaign. "Our success with this important campaign reflects the community's faith in Brock University and its students," noted Dr. Fowler, adding that many donors recognized the immense potential in giving to a student award that would last forever.

More than 100 awards established through the *2 for 1* campaign will assist academically qualified students who are in financial need. ♦

**Brock University's Endowment Fund Growth**



## Message from the Alumni Association

Congratulations and many thanks to Brock graduates who supported the recent fundraising campaign to create a student bursary for the new Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute. This award, raised in commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the Brock University Alumni Association (BUAA), and in conjunction with the *2 for 1 Living Legacy* campaign, will create a \$12,000 bursary for an eligible student candidate entering the academic program offered through the Institute. In future years, we hope to build this fund into a full scholarship with the proceeds from alumni donations and annual alumni events. We appreciate your continued support.

—Susan Wheler, Past President, BUAA

# Professor Josephine Meeker talks history

Retired professor of geography Josephine Meeker has initiated an interesting project that involves speaking to faculty, staff and students who have lived the Brock experience. She asks thoughtful questions and records engaging retrospection; she's "doing oral history."

Prof. Meeker is an ideal leader for such a project, having made many valuable contributions to the University. She was the first woman

professor, the first president of the Brock University Faculty Association, as well as a member of the Board of Trustees and Chair of Senate. Upon arrival at Brock in February 1965, she started the Geography Department and the continuing education program, known today as part-time studies. In addition to teaching, Prof. Meeker served as an academic advisor to students and a director of the Geography Department's internship

program. Her commitment to students also involved helping them draw on their experiences to develop effective resumes and job search skills.

After being trained in oral history through the Society of Women Geographers, an international interdisciplinary organization of approximately 500 members, Prof. Meeker decided to put her skills to work at Brock. Equipped with a new recorder, she approached Brock's

first President, Dr. James A. Gibson. This initial meeting resulted in five hours of anecdotal dialogue, captured on audio tape, about how and why Brock came to be and interesting details about the movers and shakers behind the University's inception.

There is a certain art to "doing" oral history, says Prof. Meeker, and many perspectives to a history. For example, she's interested in people—the lives of those who played an important role in the University's founding, and the recollections of individuals who have held terms of office at Brock. Prof. Meeker is also interested in events that marked Brock's history. In her interviews, she will explore the academic, cultural, political and social climate surrounding events on campus, and outside influences that precipitated these events as they occurred over the past 33 years.

Some of the events and circumstances that Prof. Meeker will include in the history: Governor General Roland Michener's visit to Brock in its early years; the design and opening of the first residence and the philosophy behind how it

came to be; the Schmon Tower and early stories about its construction from "bottom to top" (according to Prof. Meeker, it was originally set to be built from both ends, to meet in the middle); the bus from the lower campus to the upper campus; the official addition of the St. Catharines Teacher's College, known today as the Faculty of Education; the first convocations on campus; Brock's growth in construction and

in programs; and the University's increasing involvement and role within the community.

She admits that the project will be ongoing, as new questions and ideas continue to surface. Prof. Meeker would eventually like to train others in the art of oral history, a style of history, she says, that is taught in many graduate schools in Canada and the United States. Tapes and hard copy of the history will eventually be housed in the James A. Gibson Library archives.

Josephine Meeker would like to talk to early graduates, professors and administrators. If you have a story to tell and would like to participate in Brock's oral history, call Prof. Meeker at 227-7442. ♦

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## David Atkinson appointed President

Prof. Atkinson made a presentation to the Brock community on February 19, from which the following excerpts are taken.

### Regarding his candidacy

"My career was shaped in the liberal arts context of the University of Lethbridge, and it is to principles of broad-based undergraduate education to which I remain committed to this day. In this regard, coming to Brock would be in many ways like coming home."

### Regarding universities

"Universities are paradoxes in a number of ways. On the one hand, they are medieval institutions, and remain true to their original purpose of protecting and transmitting the best of our culture. One should not, then, be surprised that universities change slowly; to be responsive to every passing whim would erode the very foundation of what universities are. On the other hand, universities are places of new knowledge, of pushing back the boundaries of human understanding. In a world

where knowledge has truly exploded, the universities must be positioned to respond quickly to changing circumstances."

### Regarding Brock students

"... students must remain central in everything we do. Brock's reputation is built on this understanding, and it is the kind of institution which will always have a significant contribution to make in educating students. We must always remember that we live on in our students; their success is our success."

### Regarding Brock's future

"What of the future of Brock University? Brock is at a critical point in its history; there must be an empowerment of everyone at Brock to work together to determine what the institution will become over the next 30 years. I doubt whether anyone would have imagined 35 years ago that Brock University would be what it is today; a tremendous amount has been accomplished."

Dr. Atkinson assumed the office of the President on July 1. ♦



## Badgers' '96-'97 season wrap-up

# Hoops to shells, wrestling to curling

Brock Badgers finished the 1996-97 season on a high note, marking the following achievements among many individual and team accomplishments:

- Men's wrestling, OUAА champions and CIAU silver medalists
- Women's curling, OWIAA champions
- Lacrosse, OUFLA Champions
- Baseball, CUBC runners-up
- Rowing, OUAА silver medalists
- Cheerleading, CU Bronze medalists

Student athletes Todd Zavitz and Wendy Primeau were named Brock athletes of the year at the University's 30th Annual Awards Dinner on March 25. Todd was named an OUAА first team all-star for the second consecutive year and received an honorable mention as a CIAU All-Canadian. A former St. Catharines athlete of the year, Todd led the team in scoring with 14 goals and 36 assists for 50 points in 24 games. These scoring points ranked Todd fifth in OUAА scoring and seventh in the CIAU. Off the ice, Todd has for the past two years received the President's Award, achieving a 75 per cent average while competing as a varsity athlete. He graduated in June from the accounting co-op program.

Wendy captured six medals—three silvers and three bronze—at the OWIAA Championships in March. She led the women's swim team to an impressive fourth place overall finish and, for her efforts, was named an OWIAA all-star. Wendy qualified for the CIAU finals for the fourth consecutive year.

At this year's dinner the new Surgite Award was presented to Brock's student athlete of the year, Jane Lee, from the women's rowing team. Jane was the 1994-95 female athlete of the year, a gold medalist at the OWIAA championships, and has achieved an overall average in the high 80s as a physical education major. ♦



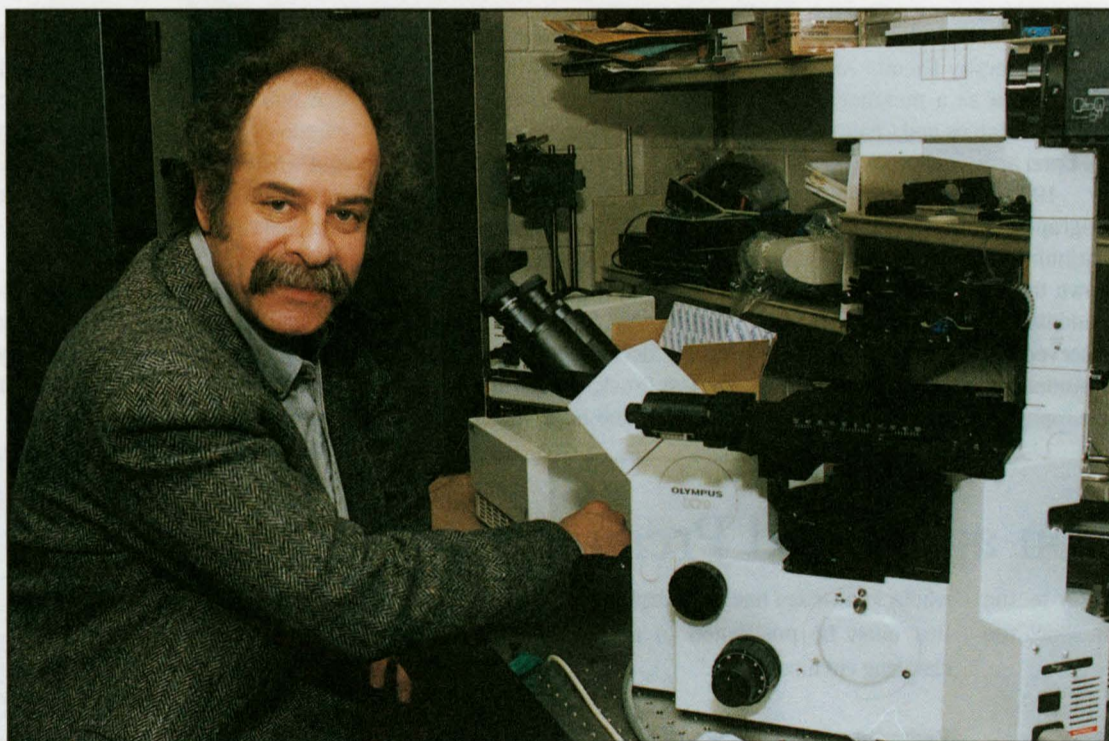
Peter Christopher

## New leads for research being developed at Brock

**R**ight on the Brock campus, software is being developed to assist in stroke research and to make new discoveries in the pharmaceutical industry. Neuroscience Prof. Peter Ramm's expertise lies behind the work being performed by Imaging Research Inc. (IRI), a company staffed by 30 people which develops instruments and software for image analysis. IRI has been located on campus since 1986 when Dr. Ramm arrived at Brock. The company has delivered more than 600 image analysis systems to corporate and academic labs all around the world. In fact, many researchers have become acquainted with Brock through IRI.

Image analysis is used in biological and biotechnology applications when quantifiable observations are sought. For example, to gather data about cells and their changes during disease or to assist pharmaceutical companies in developing new products. Specific functions in the image analyzers from Imaging Research include densitometry, analysis of gene expression, analysis of chemical reactions in cells and in non-living samples, cell counting and mapping, automated anatomical measurements, and three-dimensional reconstruction for visualizing the anatomy of optically or mechanically-sectioned tissue.

Though software development is the gist of the company's work, Imaging Research has also treated software as part of an entire technology development process. Most recently, IRI scientists are working on a low-light imaging system that has



Professor Peter Ramm, President of Imaging Research Inc.

the potential to speed up the process of finding new candidates (leads as they are called) in the pharmaceutical industry. "Pharmaceutical companies used to travel to areas of high biological diversity, like rain forests, to investigate compounds from plants or animals. Traditionally, small numbers of compounds are tested for biological activity, and those that are active form leads to the discovery of new drugs," explains Dr. Ramm. Today, however, there has been a revolution in the pharmaceutical industry. With advances in our understanding of the human genome and with new methods in chemistry, there are many new ways to generate potential lead compounds. As a

result, millions of new compounds are becoming available for testing. The availability of these compounds underlies the development of new testing technologies which can be used to screen very large numbers of compounds for potential leads. These screening tests can tell scientists whether the compound is toxic, inactive or potentially beneficial. Imaging Research is the first company to introduce imaging systems for screening. "Image-based screening allows you to screen many more compounds, so that a pharmaceutical company can develop leads more quickly" notes Dr. Ramm.

"Our image-based screening system uses unique camera and lens

components, developed by Imaging Research, to look at lead discovery in an entirely new way. Image-based analyses provide a fast and flexible method for measuring the potential of new leads," he comments.

In more traditional applications, anatomical imaging is being applied in stroke research to measure the volume of damaged areas in the brain. For example, during an occlusive stroke a clot lodges in blood vessels leading to the brain causing affected cells to die. "In looking at how to treat this condition," says Dr. Ramm, "we need to find ways to minimize the volume of the damaged area." Giving some treatments at an

early stage might actually prevent some of the damage from a stroke.

In evaluating the effects of various treatments, researchers use animal models of the stroke process or make measurements from human patients using CAT scans. IRI's imaging software is used to scan the film or tissue specimen, and to measure the volume and location of the infarcted brain area. "If a treatment has been successful, we should find that the area of the stroke is smaller than it would be without treatment, and that symptoms are less damaging."

Another typical application for Imaging Research's systems is in evaluating the actions of drugs on mental functions. For example, there is a hypothesis that schizophrenia results from an imbalance in the binding of specific brain chemicals to their target "receptors." Imaging systems are used to measure the extent to which specific agents (like the drug Haloperidol) affect the way in which these brain chemicals bind. Some of the most useful treatments for mental illness have come about through these types of binding studies.

"We're proud of our relationship with Brock and appreciate the opportunity to work within the University community," comments Dr. Ramm. "Brock has a very collegial attitude toward Imaging Research as a corporation and as a research entity. It is this collegial attitude that has led to our continued presence here, and we hope to continue the mutually beneficial relationship in the long term." ♦



## Alumnews

### 1971

**David Whitehead** (BA, geog/psyc) has been appointed Assistant Headmaster of St. Andrew's College in Aurora, Ontario. David has been a teacher, counsellor, Housemaster, and Head of the Junior School prior to this new position.

### 1972

**Barbara Buchanan** (BSc, chem) was elected to the Vancouver School Board in November 1996. Barbara continues working as the Occupational Health and Safety Coordinator with the Pulp and Paper Research Institute of Canada. She says life is busy and interesting.

### 1977

**Irene (Stephens) Taylor** (BA, hist) has now completed her third year as Director of Planned Giving at the Vancouver SPCA and is looking forward to retiring in 1998. Last year she became a grandmother again. Many grads may remember Irene as Brock's first Alumni Officer.

### 1980

**Gary Wagner** (BA, geog) has completed a Master of Environmental Studies at the University of Waterloo. He has a consulting firm that deals mainly with aboriginal communities in the Canadian Western Arctic which are implementing comprehensive aboriginal land rights settlements. The firm is also responsible for resource management, environmental assessment, community capacity-building, and organizational and procedural design. Gary is Chairman of the Old Badgers Rugby Club.

**Janet Watt** (BA, psyc) is self employed, providing consulting services to companies implementing global computer systems. She would love to hear from "old" grads even though she is rarely in Canada—her work takes her to Europe and, more and more, to South East Asia.

### 1981

**Frances Fraser** (BSc, geol) has been living in the Parry Sound area where she worked as a volunteer for a theatre group. Frances will be returning to the Niagara Peninsula and is considering returning to Brock to do a Master's degree in Earth Sciences.

### 1982

**Susan (Viktora) Belanger** (BED) and husband, Alain, live in Quebec with their three children.

### 1984

**Connie Elliott** (MED) has finally retired after 40 years in elementary education (two countries, three states, two provinces) and has settled near sand and water in Florida. Connie has three sons—all university grads!

### 1985

**Bill Smale** (BPhEd) and **Lisa Osborne** (BA, psyc, '87; BPhEd, '88; BED, '92) announced that after 13 years of friendship, they will be married July 1997 in Chippawa,

Ontario. Bill was instrumental in the implementation of the computer system at Casino Niagara. He is a squash fanatic, loves to cut grass, relax in his hot-tub, and take it easy with a cool beer while lying in his hammock. Lisa *finally* got out of the challenging work in special education and is currently teaching grades 4 and 5 in Beamsville. She loves her job, her students of course, and still coaches.

### 1986

**Mary Ann Christoff** (BA, adm/soci) is celebrating her 25th year in real estate sales in the Welland area.

**Heather MacLeod** (BRLS), having moved her practice from St. Catharines to Truro, Nova Scotia, is practicing Athletic Therapy (Certified Athletic Therapist), Acupuncture (Diploma of Acupuncture and Traditional Chinese Medicine), and other holistic therapies. Heather continues to work with the Canadian Amateur Wrestling Association and travelled to the Olympics last year. She sends greetings to BRLS grads '86. She is enjoying life in the Maritimes and says that visitors are welcome.

### 1987

**Robert Crofts** (BBE) is still living in Waterloo, Ontario with wife, Debbie, and their two children, Ashleigh, 7, and Andrew, 5. Rob and Debbie are about to celebrate their 10th wedding anniversary. During this period, Rob has enjoyed careers in the group insurance and pension fields with a large internationally based insurance company and a benefit consulting firm specializing in Ontario's education sector. Earlier this year, he assumed a partnership position in Corporate Benefit Analysts Inc., a pension and benefits consulting firm in the Waterloo Region. In this new capacity Rob works closely with fellow Brock graduate **Kevin Rome** (BA, soci/psyc, '92). For the past nine years the Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest has been a great way for Rob and Debbie to bring together their friends from Brock (the morning after gets tougher and tougher each year). The next celebration is only five months away—give him a call!

**Susan (Machan) Lucas** (BA/BED) completed her Master's of Education from OISE (University of Toronto) June 5, 1995. Susan teaches with the Northumberland/Clarington Board of Education.

**Robert Stodart** (BA, thea) lives in St. Catharines with wife, Kim, and their three wonderful children, Josh, 5, Desirea, 4, and Joel, 18 months.

### 1988

**Kevin Burr** (BSc, cosc) and wife, **Jenny (Ryan) Burr** (BA/BED, '84), have been married for eight years and live in the Ottawa area with daughters Tara, 6, and Kacie, 4. Kevin works for BNR (Nortel) and Jenny is teaching drama and pre-school crafts with Kanata & Gailbourn Townships.

**Deborah (Dunn) Pitblado** (BA,

soci) lives in Mississauga with husband, Scott, and their two sons Brodey and Riley.

### 1989

**Joseph Amodio** (MED) received his Doctor of Education in curriculum from University of Toronto, June 1996.

### 1990

**Edmund Lee Mun Leong** (BA, adm/econ) served two-and-a-half years in the army as an infantry officer after which he worked as a manager in a major department store in Singapore. Edmund is training with Singapore Airlines to become a commercial airline pilot. He would like to say hi to members of the Wilderness Outers Club ('86-'90), the gang from the Macintosh computer lab, and to Pat Hewitt for all the good times. He'd like to hear from his old friends and can be reached by calling the Alumni Office.

### 1991

**Stephen Young** (BBA, '91) received his MA in accountancy from Case Western University in Cleveland, Ohio in 1992, Certified Public Accountant in 1994, and PhD in finance from Case Western in 1997. Stephen is employed as a Research Manager in the Profession Standards Group of Arthur Andersen LLP at World Headquarters in Chicago, Illinois.

### 1992

**Michael J. Kiss** (MA, poli) graduated from the University of Calgary, Faculty of Law, in the Spring of 1995. Michael was called to the bar in the Province of Alberta on October 11, 1996 and has recently joined the law firm of Faber Gurevitch Bickman as an independent associate. He has a general practice with focus in the areas of personal injury, civil, and criminal litigation.

**Scott (AKA Howie) Manery** (BA, thea) is still alive and kicking, lives in Sarnia, and is the Inside Sales Representative for Ranson Industrial and Safety Supplies. All those who put up with his guitar playing at Queenston Residence and the Village, especially Court 1, will be pleased to know that "Howie" is playing in two bands, *The 88's* and *The Humbucker's*. His playing days may be numbered though; he married Lisa Goring in August 1995 and is pleased to announce the birth of their son Keith, January 15, 1997.

### 1993

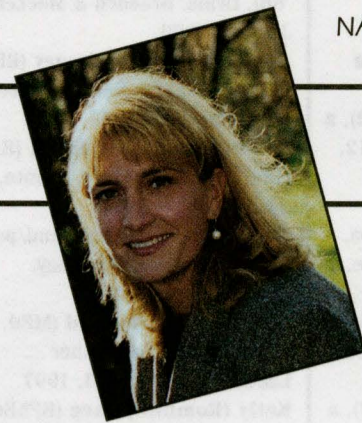
**Michelle Dell'Oro** (BA, Fren) received her BED from the University of Windsor in 1995 and has been working as an FSL teacher for the Kent County Separate Board for two years.

**John Enns-Wind** (BA, list/poli) has his own business, Brock Dialectic, a consulting firm examining different policy alternatives for government and non-government organizations. John spent a month in the eastern Arctic, and says aside from being dark and cold, it was very enlightening. The Inuit are torn between two cultures and, in that sense, it was a little discouraging.

**Peter Leyser** (BA, geog/uest) is presently working as a Traffic Technician Assistant with the City of Brampton. This is the first of three co-op terms in the transportation engineering technology program at Mohawk College.

**Jessica (Dubrowsky) Moore** (BA, clas) is a Registered Massage Therapist and works in Markham with husband, Pete, who is a chiropractor.

## Snapshot



NAME: Krys Nowicki

BROCK DEGREE: BPhed, '89

PLACE OF RESIDENCE: Fenwick, Ontario—relocating to Toronto.

POSITION: Senior Manager, International Marketing, National Football League (NFL)

WHAT'S GREAT ABOUT YOUR PRESENT JOB: As the only NFL employee in Canada, I'm involved in all aspects of their business, from licensing and broadcasting to special events. Overall, the dynamics of professional sport are always exciting—and attending SuperBowl isn't bad either!

CLAIM TO FAME: I'm still working on it.

FAVORITE MEMORY OF BROCK: The close-knit group in the Physical Education Department and playing varsity volleyball.

GREATEST SOURCE OF PRIDE: My four year old son.

CHILDHOOD CAREER GOAL: To become a nurse.

REASON FOR SWITCH: Couldn't stand the sight of blood!

### 1994

**Angela Buchanan** (BA, chld/visa) is currently enrolled in the Institute of Child Study at the University of Toronto. It is a two-year program that provides graduates with their teaching certificate, diploma in child study, primary Level I, and special education Level I.

**Loren Busato** (BPhEd) is the first female firefighter to be hired by the Guelph Fire Department.

**Edward Fernandes** (BA, psyc; MED, '95) has moved to North Carolina where he is a sexologist in private practice. He is also an organizational behavior consultant. Edward was a goalkeeper/coach of men's and women's varsity soccer teams at Brock.

**Greg Johnston** (BA, geoh) is enjoying his position as a Project Manager for a GIS mapping firm. Greg recently oversaw a municipal parcelling project.

**Marilyn (Sanders) Smith** (BA, adm/econ) and **Mark Smith** (BA, adm/econ) live in Mississauga with their two cats Willy and Jasper. Marilyn works for the Bank of Nova Scotia and Mark is with Altimed Pharmaceutical. Mark achieved the Accreditation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers of Canada and is studying for the GMAT in March. He will start his MBA in the fall.

**David Thomas** (BA, soci) and wife, **Jody (Hayter) Thomas** (BA, soci, '95), live in Houston, Texas where they both teach. David is teaching special education and Jody teaches pre-Kindergarten.

**Lisa Wamboldt** (BPhEd) graduated from the Faculty of Education at Queen's University in May 1996 and is currently supply teaching with both York Region and North York Boards of Education. Husband, **Michael Lount** (BPhEd, '94), graduated from the Canadian College of Massage and Hydrotherapy in June 1996 and has joined a multidisciplinary therapy clinic as a Registered Massage Therapist practicing Swedish

massage, myofascial release, reflexology, and pre-natal and infant massage.

### 1995

**Eric Lehmann** (BED) teaches at Cardinal Newman High School, a private Roman Catholic High School, in West Palm Beach, Florida.

**Darcy Scheers-Mottier** (BA, Fren/soci) and **Pierre-Francois Mottier** were married in Delhi, Ontario on April 11 and then in LEtiaz, Switzerland on April 19. Darcy would like to extend a big hello to all of the former cheerleaders from 1991-1993 and extends a big welcome to all of those travelling to, or through, Switzerland to visit her in the Alps. She also adds a note to the French Department: "I was told to go to France to learn French, but I would suggest that Switzerland is a better place to go!"

### BIRTHS

**Dawn Andrews** (BRLS, '88), a son, Jamie, March 13, 1997.

**Lindell (O'Neill) Annan** (BA, psyc, '89), a son, Alexander, July 26, 1996.

**Paul Aquilina** (BRLS, '93), a daughter, Abigail, August 22, 1996.

**Melanie (Lipsit) Arthur** (BA, chld, '90; BED, '93), a daughter, Emma Catherine, December 31, 1996.

**Ronald Bartleet** (BA, adm/poli, '88) and **Veronica Yeager-Bartleet** (BA, adm/poli, '89), a daughter, Erin Gabriella, August 22, 1996.

**David Bell** (BPhEd, '90), a son, Joseph Benjamin, May 15, 1996.

**Jennifer (Kneeshaw) Brock** (BA, soci, '89) and **Detlef Brock** (BA, adm/econ, '89), twins, Guergen and Bianca, August 8, 1996.

**Nathalie Brown** (BA, psyc, '96), a daughter, Kathleen Marie, October 8, 1996.

**Jane Cadman-Dean** (BA, adm/Fren, '92) and **Jonathan Dean** (BPhEd, '93), a son, Jack James Robert, October 5, 1996.

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## Second annual alumni association golf tournament

Join fellow graduates at the second annual golf tournament at Sawmill Golf Club on September 20, 1997. Call Lynne in the Alumni Office by September 9 to register. Be prepared to provide your name, address and telephone number. The fee is \$40 (credit card payments are welcome). A light snack and refreshments will be provided. Alumni Office: (905) 688-5550, ext. 3251, 1-800-449-7901, lynirion@spartan.ac.brocku.ca.



## Alumnews

**Shelly Cahill** (BA, chld, '90), a daughter, Rachel, January 25, 1994, and a son, Mitchell, September 13, 1996.

**Kim (Ammerman) Carscadden** (BA, psyc, '92) and **Scott Carscadden** (BA, soci/psyc, '92), a daughter, Loren Nicole, March 12, 1997.

**Pauline Class-Atkins** (BPhEd, '90) and **David Atkins** (BA, thea, '91), a daughter, Hannah Pauline, October 13, 1996.

**Marie (Moran) Coates** (BA/BEd, '93), a daughter, Brenna Elizabeth, July 25, 1996.

**Julie (Burke) Conn** (BRLS, '89), a daughter, Autumn Emilee, October 15, 1996.

**Joanne (Marten) Day** (BA/BEd, '91), a son, Jesse Marten, June 20, 1996.

**Kathryn Dickie** (MED, '95), twins, Brianna Wilson and Mitchell Wilson, May 13, 1996.

**Louise (Kirchner) Faubert** (BA, soci, '89), a son, Michael, March 19, 1997.

**Beverly Fiddler** (BA, soci, '93), a daughter, Francis Fanny Irene.

**Anne Flynn** (BA, ling, '96), a son, Luke Joseph Alvoeiro, October 13, 1996.

**Mary (McLaughlin) Goodfellow** (BA, adm/poli, '86) and **Robert Goodfellow** (BAdmin, '86), a daughter, Juliana Laura, October 3, 1996.

**Lesley (Derkach) Haibach** (BEd, '92), a daughter, Kayley, June 26, 1996.

**Steven Hall** (BEd, '95), a son, Benjamin James, June 6, 1996.

**Susan Hallett** (BA, soci, '84), a son, Garret Armstrong, April 2, 1997.

**Anne (Marks) Hebert** (BA, thea, '94), a son Dalton, December 24, 1996.

**Michele Hilchey** (BPhEd, '86), a son, Spencer James Edgson, November 7, 1996.

**Catherine (Wismer) Hodson** (BA, chld, '93; BEd, '94), a daughter, Zoe Marie, July 9, 1995.

**Ian Holman** (BA, geog/phed, '93), a daughter, Jarah Anne, February 7, 1997.

**Susan (Jones) Holman** (BPhEd, '92), a son, Austin, July 28, 1996.

**Valeri (Joseph) Irvine** (BA, psyc, '93), daughter, Sarah.

**Kelly Judge-Caldwell** (BEd, '93), a daughter, Taylor Anne, January 26, 1997.

**Cynthia (Fader) Kramer** (BEd, '90), a son, John Paul Stephen, November 30, 1996.

**Jodi Kuran** (BA, chld, '87), a daughter, Tatum Bedard, March 7, 1995.

**Jane La Palme** (BA, chld, '88), a daughter, Emma, February 21, 1997.

**Kelly (Craig) Lange** (BPhEd, '86) a son, Patrick Joseph, November 20, 1996.

**Diane (Sokoloski) Lapointe** (BA, musi, '84), a daughter, Rosey, November 6, 1995.

**Michelle (Husband) Lea** (BPhEd, '86; BEd, '88), a daughter, Samantha Lauren, February 7, 1996.

**Timothy Leon** (BAdmin, '88), a son, Dominic William, October 10, 1996.

**Brian Levy** (BEd, '89), a son, Mark Todd, May 20, 1996.

**Kenneth Lougheed** (BEd, '95), a daughter, Olivia Anne, October 17, 1996.

**Susan (Machan) Lucas** (BA/BEd, '87), a son, Samuel, August 29, 1996.

**Patricia (Shannon) Lynn** (BA, chld, '92), a daughter, Nicole, September 29, 1996.

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**Darin MacDonald** (BSc, geog/geol, '86), a son, Jake Riley, July 1, 1996.

**Jacques Martel** (BA, adm/Fren, '88), twins, Braeden & Mackenzie, July 19, 1996.

**Jayne (Weiler) McCreary** (BPhEd, '92), a daughter Kathryn Eileen, December 20, 1996.

**Sandra (Knott) McMillan** (BA, chld, '85), a daughter, Bronte, July 24, 1996.

**Michael Mullen** (BA, adm/poli, '91), a daughter, Courtney, December 21, 1996.

**Christine Mulholland** (MED, '90), a son, Kevin Christopher Leathorne, January 3, 1997.

**Kelly (Romhild) Pace** (BPhEd, '90), a son, Tyler, February 6, 1997.

**Aruna (Sharma) Pasta** (BA, psyc, '91), twins, Tyler and Anjali.

**Lisa (Clutterbuck) Pauze** (BRLS '91), a son, Braeden, November 7, 1996.

**Gail (Morris) Pellow** (BA, chld/visa, '89) and **John Pellow** (BPhEd, '88), a daughter, Kaitlyn, August 10, 1995.

**Patricia Pohlman** (BA, psyc/chld, '94), a son Zacharia, April 25, 1996.

**Toni Marie (Bugiardini) Poirier** (BPhEd, '87), a son, Mitchell George Philip, March 7, 1997.

**Pamela Powell-Holt** (BPhEd, '85), a daughter, Katharina Anne, February 20, 1997.

**Jeffrey Puckett** (BPhEd, '88), a daughter, Emily Lottie, March 12, 1997.

**Jane Ramsay Adams** (BA, geoh, '91), a son, Drew, December 20, 1996.

**Robert Ramuscak** (BAdmin, '90), a daughter, Allysa Victoria, June 11, 1996.

**Kellie (Tone) Reed** (BEd, '93), sons, Bryant, December, 1994 and Garret, November, 1996.

**Bonnie (MacKinnon) Sackrider** (BRLS, '89), a son, Dylan James, January 11, 1997.

**Terril-Lynn (Rankin) Shaw** (BA, psyc/soci, '90), a daughter, Beth, September 1994 and a son, Brett, June 1996.

**Christina (Anestakis) Skiada** (BA, psyc/2lan, '90), a daughter, August 10, 1996.

**Luigi Sposata** (BA, phil, '93; BPhEd, '91), a son, Michael Carmen, April 4, 1995.

**Janine (Smalley) Stodulski** (BPhEd, '90) and **Edward Stodulski** (BA, adm/poli, '90), a son, Mitchell, May 3, 1996.

**Carol Suggitt** (BBA, '93), a daughter, Melissa, October 20, 1995.

**Jacqueline (Tod) Sullivan** (BPhEd, '86), a daughter, Maggie Christina, March 6, 1996.

**Sherry (Thrower) Tebworth** (BA/BEd, '91), a daughter, Sydney Rose, August 21, 1996.

**Janice (Nagata) Totoros** (BSc, cosc, '87), a son, Lambros Tadashi, October 21, 1996.

**Cynthia (Stewart) Thibert** (BRLS, '84), daughters, Emily, November 23, 1994 and Claire, June 3, 1996.

**Mary (Schankula) Turner** (BA, adm/psyc, '87), twins, Kathleen and Stephen, January 17, 1997.

**Gina (Prantera) Vanderhoeven** (BA, psyc, '95), a daughter, Julia Sarah, June 18, 1996.

**Nicola Velluso** (BA, cssp, '91; MA, poli, '94), a daughter, Katherine, May 19, 1996.

**Corinna (Tesligte) Visser** (BRLS, '95), a daughter, Samantha, May 26, 1995.

**Crystal (Leonard) Walker** (BA, soci, '96), a daughter, Roberta, June 13, 1996.

**Susan (Currie) Walkinshaw** (BRLS, '94), a daughter, Laura, February 20, 1996.

**Patricia Wehr** (BA, visa, '87), a son, Zachary Matthews, July 26, 1996.

**Lisa (Agnew) Welgan** (BA, chld, '89; BEd, '93), a daughter, Melinda, July 25, 1996.

**Russ White** (BAdmin, '87), a son, Mark Russell, February 7, 1997.

**June (Eade) Wolbert** (BA, chld, '91), a daughter, Andria, February 8, 1996.

**Grace (Belgrado) Zarowski** (BRLS, '84), a son, Colin, December 2, 1996.

**Sonia Zolis** (BA, Fren, '95) and **George Zolis** (BBA, '91), a daughter, Mikayla Alexis, November 8, 1996.

## MARRIAGES

**Serafina Altmarl** (BA, chld/psyc, '92) and Paul Sabiano, August 10, 1996.

**Christina Anestakis** (BA, psyc/2lan, '90) and Mario Skiada, April 23, 1995.

**Allison Baird** (BBA, '95) and **Brian Knipfel** (BBA, '95), September 29, 1996.

**Jeffrey Ballin** (BAdmin, '90) and Amme Maria Lococo, October 7, 1995.

**Kelly Bennett** (BA, chld, '92) and **James Yuhasz** (BA, soci/labr, '95), **Gerry Bergin** (BA, uest/econ, '94) and **Alyson Cuthbert** (BACC, '95), June 14, 1997.

**Kimberley Bolger** (BA, hist, '90) and Louis Galvao, June 29, 1996.

**Fatima Conceicao** (BA, adm/poli, '92) and Augusto Ferreira, August 5, 1995. (Correction from last issue)

**Geraldine Fleischmann** (BBA, '94) and **Alex Colic** (BA, hist, '93; BEd, '96), October 5, 1996.

**Peggy Fournier** (BA, chld/psyc, '92) and Richard Breithaupt.

**Liz Guillemette** (BA, adm/Fren, '92) and **Bryan Ramsammy** (BA, adm/poli, '92), September 7, 1996.

**Nancy Haney** (BA, geoh, '93) and Jeffrey Wood, August 23, 1996.

**Kersten Hauke** (BEd, '94) and Charles Marschuetz, July 6, 1996.

**Jody Hayter** (BA, soci, '95) and **David Thomas** (BA, soci, '94), September 21, 1996.

**Trena Henderson** (BA, adm/econ, '94) and Tonnie Debrun, September 21, 1996.

**Doreen Holmes** (BA, psyc/chld, '96) and James Wagenaar, November 23, 1996.

**Lynda Janes** (BA, adm/poli, '94) and Brian Pikkert, October 5, 1996.

**Valeri Joseph** (BA, psyc, '93) and John Irvine, September 18, 1993.

**Patricia Kelly** (BPhEd, '91) and Jeff Rideout, June 29, 1996.

**Kathryn Knox** (BPhEd, '92) and Greg Wignall, April 26, 1997.

**Ingrid Langhorst** (BEd, '90) and **Ian MacCallum** (BEd, '90), July 8, 1995.

**Angela Lezano** (BACC '95) and **Brian Houle** (BRLS, '95), May 18, 1996.

**Eric Lehmann** (BEd, '95) and Shivaun Saunders, October 12, 1996.

**Crystal Leonard** (BA, soci, '96) and Robert Walker, December 2, 1995.

**Darin MacDonald** (BSc, geog/geol, '86) and Marisa, July 8, 1995.

**Susan Machan** (BA/BEd, '87) and Stephen Lucas, July 29, 1995.

**Tammy MacIntyre** (BPhEd, '93) and David Morningstar, May 11, 1996.

**Jonathan Martin** (BBE, '93) and Christine, October 26, 1996.

**Vincent Martinello** (BAdmin, '88) and Nancy Johnson.

**Mary McCauley** (BA, ami/poli, '90) and John Sinclair, September 21, 1996.

**Susan McCracken** (BACC, '95) and Kelly Stayzer, September 7, 1996.

**Carrie McLellan** (BA, chld, '94) and Paul Kieswetter, November 2, 1996.

**Bethanie Milroy** (BPhEd, '92) and Donald Wartman, September 21, 1996.

**Brenda Morrison** (BA, psyc, '94) and Todd Harrower.

**Danielle Nunn** (BA, comm/soci, '94) and Gary Donkers, January 18, 1997.

**Debbie Macedo** (BA, adm/poli, '95) and Chris Demarest, May, 1996.

**Anne Marks** (BA, thea, '94) and Doug Hebert, January 1996.

**Natalie Mercier** (BA, Fren, '95) and **Yann Marais** (BA, Fren, '95) April 22, 1995.

**Maria McIlroy** (BA, Engl, '93) and **Thomas Wall** (BA, hist/Engl, '93) January 18, 1997.

**Gail Morris** (BA, chld/visa, '89) and **John Pellow** (BPhEd, '88).

**Dierk Mueller** (BA, psyc, '88; BEd, '92) and **Aurelia Spadafora** (BA, psyc, '87), May 4, 1996.

**Tracy Peterson** (BPhEd, '91) and Darryl Snyder, July 27, 1996.

**Louisa Pivato** (BPhEd, '93) and John Silveri, July 20, 1996.

**Karla Raymer** (BA, psyc, '93) and **William McCaules** (BPhEd, '92) July 13, 1996.

**Martina Rett** (BA, chld, 89; BRLS '90; BEd, '92) and Peter Armbruster, November 30, 1996.

**Lesley Richardson** (BPhEd, '91) and **Bruce Williamson** (BA, psyc, '90; BPhEd, '90) August 10, 1996.

**Tania Rusnov** (BA, hlst, '94) and Eric Edwards, December 31, 1996.

**Marilyn Sanders** (BA, adm/econ, '94) and **Mark Smith** (BA, adm/econ, '94) August 17, 1996.

**Rita Scott** (BA, Engl, '95) and **Jason Vail** (BA, geog, '94) July 20, 1996.

**Patricia Shannon** (BA, chld, '92) and Bruce Lynn, August 26, 1995.

**Heather Simms** (BPhEd, '94) and **Steve Debus** (BA, adm/poli, '94) August 1995.

**Gillian Smith** (BA, soci, '94) and Steve Snider, October 21, 1995.

**Susan Sproule** (BA, chld, '93; BRLS, '94) and **Chad Brownlee** (BPhEd, '94) June 28, 1997.

**Mark Squire** (BBE, '89) and Donna, April 20, 1991.

**Jennifer Stacey** (BBE, '96) and David Perlock, November 9, 1996.

**David Stuive** (BA, geog, '85) and Beverley Winkle, December 28, 1996.

**Renee Thiessen** (BRLS, '94) and Scott Holloway, May 31, 1997.

**Leslie Tkac** (BA, psyc, '90) and Steve Thomas, September 7, 1996.

**Shannon Tully** (BA, adm/poli, '95) and Brad South, February 22, 1997.

**Lisa Wamboldt** (BPhEd, '94) and **Michael Lount** (BPhEd, '94) August 2, 1996.

**Kylie Wright** (BA/BEd, '95) and Dave Burns, March 1, 1997.

## IN MEMORIAM

**Delbert Davidson** (BA, psyc, '80) passed away February 12, 1997. Delbert is survived by wife, Lois, son Barry, daughter Debi, two grandsons, two granddaughters and one great granddaughter.

**Moria Campbell** (BA, econ/poli, '76), September 25, 1996 after a two year struggle with breast cancer. Moira is survived by her husband, Tim Ranger, parents William and Agnes Campbell of St. Catharines, and sister Fiona Campbell of Toronto.

**Colette (Firc) Fortin** (BA, Fen, '74) May 1996.

**Marilyn Smith** (BA, educ/soci, '80; BEd, '85), February 27, 1997 after a two and a half year battle with cancer. Marilyn is survived by her husband, Ted; daughters Lee Ann, Cory, Tami and Jodi; son Jeff; mother Margaret Raycroft; sister Barbara Murphy; grandchildren Chris, Kyla and Brianne. Marilyn taught cosmetology at Lord Elgin Vocational School in Niagara Falls, Eastdale Secondary School in Welland and Fort Erie Secondary School. ♦

## NETWORKS UPDATE

### Calgary

George Pastirik, our Calgary representative, worked with representatives from Canadian universities on the Fourth Annual Pan Alumni Skate held at the University of Calgary on March 23, 1997.

### Ottawa

Winter rain during Winterlude didn't stop Ottawa area Brock graduates from catching up with former classmates, enjoying food, and sharing ideas for events. Watch your mail for the announcement of future events in Ottawa or call Wendy Alexander at (613) 231-6084.

### Kitchener-Waterloo

Local graduate Rob Crofts is helping to organize an event during Oktoberfest. So put a circle around October and get out your lederhosen. Further information should be available in July.

## Reunions

### Class of '67 & '72 reunion

Join us at Homecoming when Brock University will host a reception and dinner on Saturday, November 1, 1997, to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Class of '72 and 30th anniversary of the Class of '67. Information will be in the mail shortly. (If you know of someone who does not receive an invitation, call the Alumni Office at (905) 688-5550, ext. 3251, 1-800-449-7901, or fax us at (905) 641-5216.)

### Calling all Tour Guides!

We are planning a tour guide reunion at Homecoming 1997. To ensure you receive an invitation to the party, please make sure we have your name listed

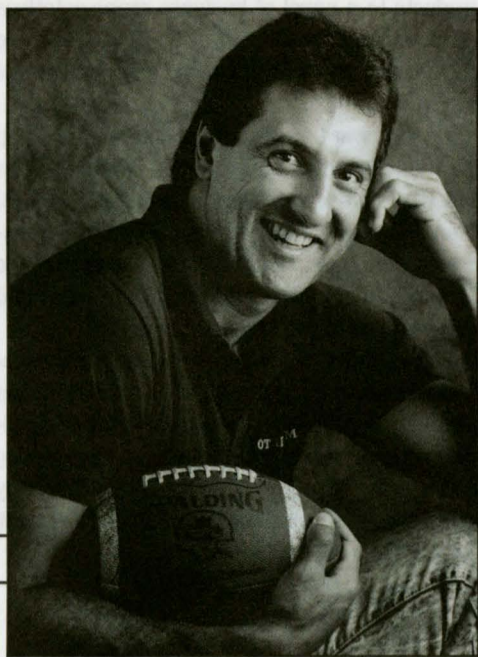
as a past Office of External Relations employee. Call the Alumni Office at (905) 688-5550, ext. 3251, 1-800-449-7901 or fax us at (905) 641-5216.

### Hunter House '87-'88

Alumni Affairs along with Andrew Carruthers (Don of Hunter House '87-'88) will be hosting a reunion in the fall of '97. If you were a resident of Hunter House at this time watch your mail for your invitation and the fall issue of *Surgite!* for more information. (If you know of anyone in this group who may have lost contact with the University, please contact the Alumni Office at (905) 688-5550 ext. 3251 or 1-800-449-7901.)



## Brock Briefs



### Brock grad set for CFL Hall of Fame

**B**rock graduate Rocky DiPietro (BPhed, '82; BEd, '83), former Hamilton Tiger-Cat for 14 seasons, will be inducted into the Canadian Football League (CFL) Hall of Fame in September 1997. Originally from Sault Ste. Marie, Rocky was the CFL's all-time leading pass receiver with 709 catches for 9762 yards and 45 touchdowns, a record which stood until 1994. He was also a member of the Ti-Cats Grey Cup Champion team in 1986.

Rocky retired from professional football in 1991, and today is a teacher and coach at Notre Dame College School in Welland, Ontario. He will be inducted into the Hall of Fame September 19-21.



### Celebrating a milestone

**M**aggs Barrett, Executive Vice-President of Operations & Services for ACC TelEnterprises, presented Terry Varcoe, Brock's Vice-President, Administration, with a David Bennett sculpture titled "Partners" at a reception to celebrate the \$150,000 milestone in contributions from ACC to Brock University.

## Have we got it right? Let us know!

All 31,000 Brock University graduates were recently notified of our upcoming new Alumni Directory and asked for their input. If you have not already done so, please return your questionnaire today. This will ensure that your personal information will be accurately included in this reference book.

Within two to three months, the verification phase of this project will begin. Graduates will be receiving a telephone call from Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company Inc., the official publisher of the directory. Please give the representative who calls you a few moments of your time to verify your listing.

To place a reservation for the Brock University Alumni Directory, please advise the Harris representative during the conversation, since this will be the only opportunity graduates will have to order the book.

Scheduled for release in January 1998, the Brock University Alumni Directory promises to be the definitive reference to over 31,000 graduates. Don't miss the opportunity to be part of it!



Alumni Association student award winners L to R: Ranjit Thiara, Judy Austin

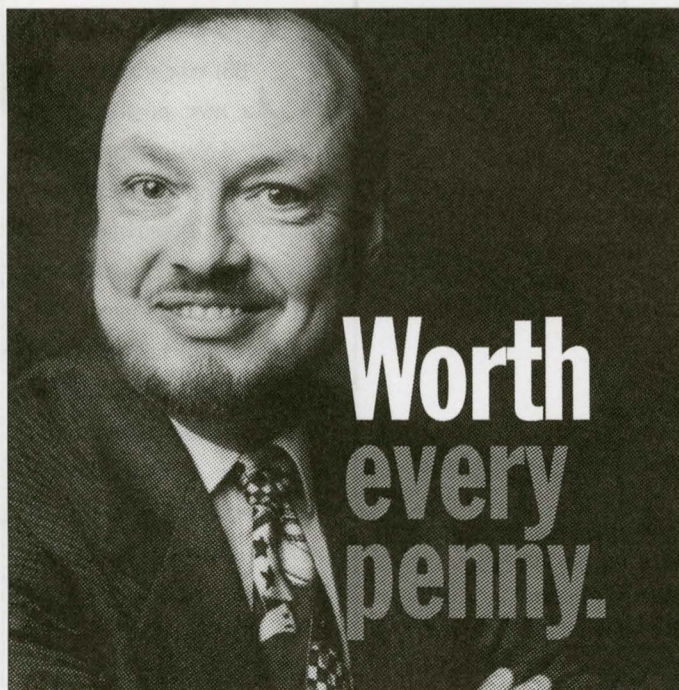
### Alumni Association student award winners

Winners of the 1997 Alumni Association student awards were Judy Austin and Ranjit Thiara.

Silver Badger Alumni Award recipient Ranjit Thiara, a fourth-year Teaching English as a Second Language major, is described as a model residence student who is cheerful, helpful and approachable. Past and present participation on campus includes the DeCew and New Residence Program Committee, Residence Life Staff, Residence Action Committee and Foot Patrol. Ranjit is a tour guide for the Office of External Relations, a note taker for the Student Development Centre, and a Campus Recreation volleyball official. The recipient of the Silver Badger Award must demonstrate meaningful contribution to the development of extra-curricular life within the community, be registered full time at Brock and have successfully completed five or more credits in the previous fall or winter session, and have achieved a B average.

Judy Austin, a third year BSc/BEd student, is the winner of the Alumni Association Student Award. Judy is a member of Brock University's cross country team, an instructor for Brock's summer science camp, and active in Athletes in Action, a Christian athletic association at Brock. She is described as a student who has an open-minded attitude and an eagerness to learn. Her involvements off campus include volunteering for the Niagara South Learning Disabled Association, Elmvale Community Church Youth Group, and the Tojo's Christian Compound. Judy has also volunteered at the Rosalind Blauer Day Care Centre. To fulfill requirements for this award, a student must have demonstrated a meaningful contribution towards the enrichment of extra-curricular life both on and off campus, completed a minimum of 10 credits, and achieved a minimum B average.

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## Brock Briefs

### Working with the Niagara community

Thousands of supporters gathered outside the Schmon Tower on the Brock campus to cheer Niagara's bid for the 2001 Canada Games the morning of April 30. Brock faculty, students and staff were joined by students from local schools and members of the community to welcome members of the Canada Games Council.

Clad in Canada Games t-shirts, supporters lined Sir Isaac Brock Boulevard, stretching almost to St. David's Road. Members of the committee received a warm welcome throughout the Niagara Region, as residents chanted, clapped, and sang their enthusiasm for the Games.

Upon arriving on campus, Council members were treated to a song by the Grey Gables School Choir under a 30 by 60 foot Canadian flag. The committee then proceeded to tour the Brock campus before heading to events scheduled throughout Niagara.

Site selection visits were also made to two other locations chosen as finalists for the Games: Ottawa on Monday, April 28, and London on Thursday, May 1. A decision was scheduled to be handed down by the federal government in late June.



### Brock students demonstrate ingenuity and entrepreneurship

Four Brock business students have pooled their expertise to create and market the International Vegetarian Cookbook CD-ROM, which garnered \$500 and an award for best presentation at the 1997 National Queen's Entrepreneurs' Competition held at Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario in March.

Entrepreneurship major Angela Corke is the team leader; fellow team members, making up Microverse, include finance major Frank Lin, business communications major Kara Zuercher, and international business major Andrew Suggitt.

High school students Michael Corke (Angela's brother) and Christina Quinlan worked with Angela to develop the project starting two years ago. Taking the next step, Angela completed a business plan for the CD-ROM as a major assignment in New Venture Planning, a third-year entrepreneurship course.

Close to 50 teams submitted plans to the first round of competition; nine were invited to present

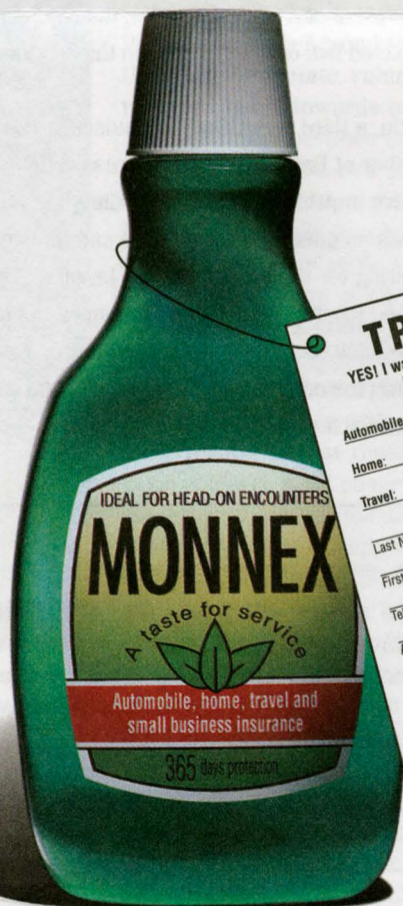
their products to a panel of business representatives from Coopers and Lybrand, Royal Bank, Deloitte and Touche, *Canadian Business Magazine*, and the Bank of Nova Scotia.

To win the award for best presentation, the group presented an infomercial and served various dishes from the CD-ROM menu. They also delivered a 30 minute presentation, followed by a 15 minute question-and-answer period. The group plans to market the product, which is already on sale in 10 computer and health food outlets in the Mississauga area.

The CD-ROM offers over 650 international vegetarian recipes, uniquely encased in colorful gourmet pasta. Some of the products attributes include nutritional and measurement information, a vegan option button, glossary of terms, a shopping list, and a handy print option. The International Vegetarian Cookbook CD-ROM retails for \$34.99.



L to R: Angela Corke, Frank Lin, Kara Zuercher, Andrew Suggitt, Prof. Teresa Menzies, Dean of Business Ronald McTavish



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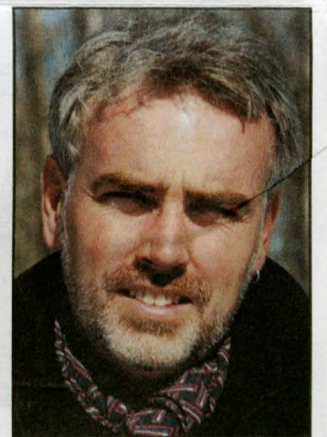
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### Brock grad at the UN

Chris Cushing (BA, poli, '85) recently accepted a new position with the United Nations Staff College in Italy, where he will head the Department of Peacekeeping, Peacemaking and Crisis Management.

Chris will initially be in charge of hiring faculty, designing curriculum, and teaching courses offered in Turin. According to Chris, the UN is planning workshops in the field before, during, and after crisis situations, and parallel training workshops to educate donor governments in New York and Geneva. The overall objective of the College is to train and certify all senior management staff within five years.