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A quarterly publication for graduates and friends of Brock University
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Brock launches largest construction project in its history

The Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities, the Honourable Dianne Cunningham, joined Brock University, on June 9, for the launch of the largest construction project in its history. More than 400 people including Brock University President David Atkinson and representatives from the City of St. Catharines, the City of Thorold, the Regional Municipality of Niagara, the Brock University Students' Union, faculty and staff were present for the groundbreaking.

"This is an extraordinary day for the University and our community as we embark on this ambitious undertaking," said Atkinson. "This project was made possible through a unique partnership and we are grateful for their support and for their belief in the future of this University. These new facilities will transform our campus and enable us to continue Brock's fine tradition of providing quality education for our students and exceptional service to our community."

The Brock University Board of Trustees recently gave the green light to \$50 million in construction projects on the campus. The approved projects include two academic buildings (\$22.57 million), a Health and Fitness Centre (\$11.487 million), a student residence (\$12.3 million), renovations to the Faculty of Education building (\$1.32 million) and upgrades to the Central Utility Building for heating and ventilation (\$2.237 million). The new buildings are designed by internationally renowned architect Raymond Moriyama. The economic impact on Niagara of the new projects, including a new residence, is estimated to be \$82,193,000 or the equivalent of 2,055 year-long, full-time jobs.

The provincial government announced on May 18 that Brock University would receive \$15.57 million in capital funding as part of the SuperBuild investment program for the post-secondary education sector. The funding will support the construction of the academic complex. The new academic buildings will allow for 1,700 new student spaces on campus.

"SuperBuild is making possible the largest capital expansion in post-secondary education in more than 30 years," said Cunningham. "A \$1 billion investment — \$1.8 billion with partnership funding — is creating more than 73,000 student spaces at Ontario's colleges and universi-



Left to right, Brad Clarke, Past President, Brock University Students' Union, the Honourable Dianne Cunningham, Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities, and David Atkinson, President of Brock University.



New Health and Fitness Centre



New academic complex

ties to ensure that every willing and qualified student continues to have access to a high-quality education."

The SuperBuild funding will assist Brock as it prepares to seek \$14.42 million in private sector support through its "Good, Better, Brock!" campaign. Norris

and John Walker, of Walker Brothers Industries, in St. Catharines, have made a commitment of \$1 million to the campaign. Norris Walker, a long-time supporter of the University and a member of Brock's Board of Trustees, will serve as
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University honours one of its own

Brock University honoured one of its own during the Spring Convocation ceremonies, held June 5 to 9. Brock graduate Ian Beddis was one of five distinguished Canadians to receive an honorary doctorate from the University.

The other honorary degree recipients were: Myer Horowitz, President of the University of Alberta from 1979 to 1989; Ron Lancaster, a former CFL all-star quarterback and now coach of the Hamilton Tiger-Cats; the Right Honourable Beverley McLachlin, who was sworn in as the first female chief justice of Canada in January; and Ann Medina, a veteran CBC journalist and broadcaster.

Beddis, Director and Branch Manager for Scotia McLeod in Calgary, is among a very special group of Brock graduates — the Silver Badgers, Brock's first graduating class. In his convocation address, he shared his deep sense of pride at being a Brock graduate. "My name is Ian, and I AM a Brock graduate," he said eliciting a round of applause from the audience which included many of his family and friends. Beddis received an Honours Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics as part of the University's first Honours graduating class in 1968. While at Brock, he was President of the Brock University Students' Union and a member of the Brock Senate. His academic excellence and extracurricular involvement earned him
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Brock to purchase Hamilton school

The Brock University Board of Trustees approved the purchase of Briarwood School in Hamilton allowing the University to continue delivering its Pre-Service Bachelor of Education program and additional qualification courses at the site.

Brock now offers the Pre-Service program to 300 students, provides additional qualification courses to 750 students and educates more than 100 Masters of Education students at Briarwood. Last year, the Hamilton-Wentworth and District School Board informed the University of its intention to sell the school as a surplus asset. Applications to Brock's Faculty of Education increased by 39 per cent to 5,268 for September 2000 enrolment.

"There is a great need for teacher education in the Hamilton-Oakville area and the Faculty of Education remains committed to offering our courses at the site," said Faculty of Education Dean Michael Manley-Casimir. "We see the purchase of this school as giving us great value for the dollar, while allowing us to deliver our programs to students in the area well into the future."

The cost for the facility is \$1.8 million, with an additional \$700,000 in renovations to be completed. Brock is acquiring the facility at less than \$40 per square foot. The replacement value of the building is approximately \$9 million. The University will finance the purchase through a long-term mortgage covered by revenue generated at the school.

The school, situated on 6.9 acres of land at 1842 King Street East in Hamilton, contains 21 classrooms, 18 offices, two computer labs, two lounges, a gymnasium, a cafeteria and a library. It was previously used by the school board as an adult education centre. Brock has rented space to offer programs at the school since 1996.

Brock grads near top in Ontario—97.8 per cent are employed

Brock University graduates rank near the top in employment among all of Ontario's 19 universities. Within six months of graduation, 94.4 per cent of Brock graduates are employed. Two years after graduation, Brock's employment percentage increases to 97.8 per cent. The statistics, from the Ontario University Graduate Survey, give new life to Brock University's positioning line: "Careers begin here!"

"Brock graduates have one of the highest employment rates of any Ontario university," states Brock President David Atkinson. "This is exceptional news, not only for our graduates, but for current and future Brock students. These figures clearly show that a university education leads to employment and that Brock is on the right track."

The results of the survey support Brock's plan for the future with its thrust to place a greater emphasis on career development programs that prepare students for the world of work.

"This is exceptional news, not only for our graduates, but for current and future Brock students."

The University is offering more and more Co-op options and developing internship programs to help students acquire valuable work experience during their academic studies.

Career development is one of several new directions set out for the University in Brock's Planning and Priorities report.

Brock is also moving quickly toward becoming a comprehensive institution offering a broad range of graduate and



By Christine Boyko-Head

Twenty years ago, Brock University introduced Accounting Co-op, its one and only Co-op program. Now, approximately 550 Brock students and graduates are working for Accounting firms right across the country.

Reflecting the new millennium and the expectations and needs of today's students, Brock is building on the success of its flagship Co-op program by expanding its Co-op offerings to eight programs within four faculties. Joining Accounting and Business Administration, which was initiated in 1997, the new Co-op programs include Sport Management, Computer Science, Business Communications, Theatre and Dramatic Literature, Business Economics, Workplace Health, Chemistry, and French Teaching Specialist. Other programs in development include Neuroscience, Physics, Computing and Solid-State Device Technology, Computing and Business, Communications, and Oenology and Viticulture. With such a wide range of Co-op offerings, Brock will be able to offer recruiters a multitude of talented students.

Obviously, the professionalism and job-readiness of Brock Co-op students are attracting an array of corporations to



EDUCATION

Brock wins Maclean's praise

Editor of magazine ranking which dumps on university says school can hold head high

By JENNIFER KENNEDY
Standard Staff

In the eyes of many Niagarans, her publication has dumped all over Brock University, but the editor of Maclean's magazine's annual ranking of Canadian universities is sensitive to local feelings. "Don't shoot the messenger," Ann Dowsett Johnston joked at Brock University Tuesday where she addressed an audience of university officials and secondary school guidance counselors from across Canada.

On this occasion, she carried another message, praising Brock for its "very good undergraduate program, calling the university 'vital to the Niagara Region' and describing it as 'student friendly'."

Her advice to Brock: it should toughen its entrance standards, slim down first- and second-year class sizes and provide more student services.

But, concluded Dowsett Johnston, "Brock has every reason to hold its head high."

Throughout her talk, Dowsett Johnston repeatedly warned that post-secondary education is at a

crossroads in Canada: it will either self-destruct or prosper.

"The major factor will be money, she said. "We cannot afford to underfund higher education," said Dowsett Johnston. Since 1992, she said, "extraordinary cuts" have totalled more than \$3 billion.

Dowsett Johnston said "quality education is being compromised" by spending cuts. And in particular, she raised concerns about the level of funding coming from the provincial government.

"I am really worried that the Harris government hasn't increased operating funds for universities," said Dowsett Johnston.

She said the "Americanization" of Canadian universities, with schools becoming more elitist, may be an inevitable result of these spending cuts.

Dowsett Johnston defended Maclean's annual ranking of Canadian universities but admitted it has deficiencies.

The ranking is a "terribly blunt instrument" that shouldn't be used by students to determine which university has the best program in a certain area of study, she said. "No one chooses a campus for the ranking."

Rather, she said, it is an aggregate measure of how a university ranks against others across Canada.

The ranking, which first appeared in 1991, currently uses "input measurements," such things as class size, average enrolment grades and the number of tenured professors teaching students, to rank a university.

Brock president David Atkinson and others have criticized the ranking for not using "output measures," such as the percentage of graduates who have employment two years after graduation, which they believe are better measurements of a university's performance.

Dowsett Johnston said she would "love to use output measures," but the universities "voted down" using the output measurement currently available from Statistics Canada, called the National Graduate Survey.

She said she is currently researching other possible output measures.

She also defended the ranking, saying it is good publicity for post-secondary education.

Atkinson agreed, saying Johnston "probably has done more to bring it (education) onto a national platform than anyone else" in Canada.



DOWSETT JOHNSTON

professional programs, while continuing its commitment to providing student-focused, broad-based undergraduate education.

Under the direction of Jack Miller, the Associate Vice-President of Research and Dean of Graduate Studies, the University is committed to expanding upon its solid foundation of high quality Master's programs across all faculties. The University launched a new PhD program in Educational Studies in partnership with Lakehead University, University of Windsor and the University of Western Ontario. The program started July 1, and marks the first time in Ontario that a consortium of this kind has been developed for doctoral study.

In September, classes begin in Brock's new Nursing Degree Completion program designed to allow nursing professionals to complete a Bachelor of Science in

Nursing degree (BScN) within a 12-month period. The program permits students to continue working as they study and it also responds to the needs of the local health-care community and the increasing demand for nurses to upgrade their qualifications.

Brock is expanding an excellent selection of undergraduate programs that prepare students to meet the challenges of today's world. For example, this academic year, the University introduces a program in Workplace Health, the only undergraduate program in Canada. Our graduates will go on to meet the growing demand for health professionals who are capable of managing health issues in the workplace. Other new programs this September include: Drama and Theatre in Education, and International Political Economy.

FORUM

Co-op students our 'best ambassadors'

the campus for the purpose of recruitment. Before the end of the 2000 exam period, the Co-op Programs Office had a 100 per cent placement rate with students working in the regions of Niagara, Hamilton-Wentworth, Metro Toronto and in parts of the United States.

"Their jobs are diverse and challenging" says Cindy Dunne, Director of Co-op. "The students that are out on placement are our best ambassadors. Participating employers say that our students demonstrate the professionalism and maturity needed to succeed in today's job market."

Corporations such as Stelco, Dofasco, General Motors, BDO, PriceWaterhouseCoopers, Ministry of Transportation, Chateau de Charmes, Scotiabank, CIBC, CTAL, NorTel, Trajan Publishing, GO Transit, and Unisys are only some of the businesses that have not only hired students this year but have pledged to return to Brock for future employees.

Robert Yorki, Corporate Recruiter for OnX Incorporated, says: "Brock University has a multitude of talented, energetic and extraordinary students who would most definitely prove as future assets within our IT company."

Bruce Hutchinson, Harbourfront Centre's Marketing and Media Relations Manager, exclaims: "You have a GREAT bunch of students. They are genuine, unaffected and a pleasure to talk to!"

Recognizing the significant impact

that real work experience has on the future employability of students, the Co-op Office and participating departments are planning for certain success: success that will ultimately mean job security and rewarding career opportunities for Brock students.

As graduates of Brock, you can assist us in helping current students realize their full potential. Your leads can result in real experience, real rewards and real jobs for Co-op undergraduates, and new graduates. With your help, we are confident that we will find new employment opportunities for all our Co-op students in every industry sector.

Now, as when you were here, Brock is forging into the future with energy, confidence and gusto. The Co-op Programs Office is part of that winning force.

For more information about Brock's Co-op programs, contact the Co-op Programs Office, at 688-5550, ext. 4325.

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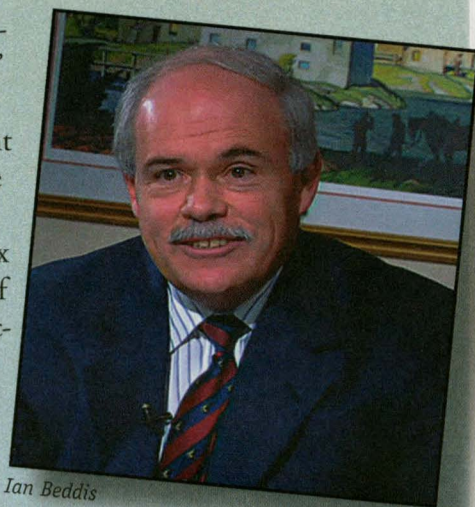
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New student recruitment video is golden



Denis Dyack

Brock University's new student recruitment video, "Your career begins here!" recently won a national award from the Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education (CCAIE). The video received the Gold Award as best audio, video or multimedia presentation for the 2000 CCAIE Prix D'Excellence awards program. The Office of External Relations and OMNI Media Productions produced the video for Recruitment and Liaison Services. The video features student Tara Powell, and Brock graduates Rick Campanelli, Ian Beddis, Theresa Maddalena and Denis Dyack.



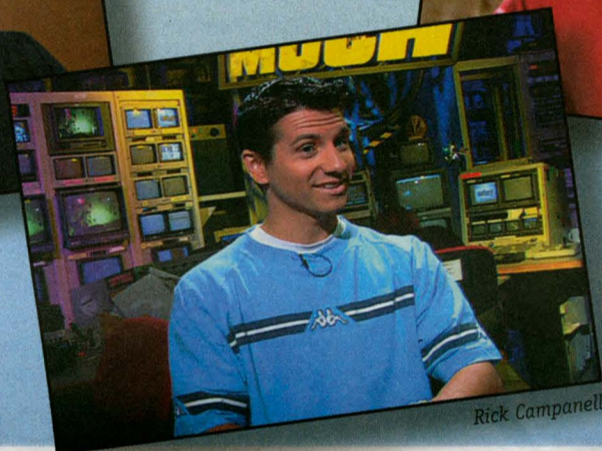
Ian Beddis



Theresa Maddalena



Tara Powell



Rick Campanelli

CCOVI partnership receives national award

Brock University, the Wine Council of Ontario and the Ontario Grape Growers' Marketing Board were recognized as one of the best business-education partnerships in Canada. In May, they received the Conference Board of Canada's 1999-2000 Daimler-Chrysler National Partners in Education Awards for Brock's Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute (CCOVI).

CCOVI was selected from 160 entries of business-education partnerships from across the country.

"This is truly an honour for the University and its partners to be selected, from such competitive entries, for establishing a world-class program that is meeting the research and educational needs of the cool climate grape growing and wine producing regions," said Brock President David Atkinson.

Atkinson and Grant Dobson, Executive Director of Brock's Office of External Relations, accepted the award at the Business and Education Awards ceremony, on Monday, May 1, in Halifax. While in Halifax, Dobson took the opportunity to meet with Brock graduates.

The National Partners in Education Awards program offers an opportunity to showcase business-education initiatives that work across Canada and to recognize the people who are making them succeed.

"The awards recognize and honour partnerships as a model of excellence in business-education partnership—ensuring that Canada's youth are learning the right skills for today's and tomorrow's world of work," according to the Conference Board of Canada.

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the chair of the Niagara division of the campaign.

The new Health and Fitness Centre is being funded by a unique partnership involving municipal, regional, student, private sector and University support. Last November, Brock students voted to provide \$5 million in funding to support the capital costs of the \$11.5 million Centre. As well, the City of St. Catharines, the City of Thorold and the Regional Municipality of Niagara have approved a total of \$2.275 million in funding over five years for the Centre (\$1.5 million, \$275,000 and \$500,000 respectively).



Celebrating the SuperBuild announcement on May 18, from left, Rob Gilmour, BUSU President, Brock University Chancellor, Robert S.K. Welch, Bart Maves, MPP (Niagara Falls), Tim Hudak, MPP (Erie-Lincoln), Brad Clarke, former BUSU President, Norris Walker, Board of Trustees, and Brock President David Atkinson.

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the Vice Chancellor's Trophy in 1967 and 1968. He has continued a strong affiliation with the University. Beddis served for a number of years as President of the Brock University Alumni Association and he was the driving force in establishing Brock's Wall of Fame, in recognition of outstanding athletes. "This ceremony marks only the end of one of the learning chapters in your career," he said. "You have a whole lot of learning to do." He emphasized to the new graduates the impact that technological change is having on our lives and careers today. Keeping up with those changes, he said, is the key to personal and business success.

Beddis ended his address by listing the seven personal qualities he believes has contributed to his success in business and community service—"be appreciative, be flexible, be friendly to everyone, remember the power of positive thinking, health



Ian Beddis, left, receives his honorary degree from Brock President David Atkinson.

is paramount, work hard and have fun, it will keep the sparkle in your eyes."

Brock University conferred 1,387 undergraduate, 58 Master degrees, 36 Certificates and 533 Education Pre-Service degrees during the ceremonies, bringing the total number of Brock graduates to more than 39,000.

Faculty, staff and retirees raise \$355,000

Brock University raised \$355,000 during its recent internal fundraising campaign. Faculty, staff and retirees gave more than ever before to support the University through the "Invest in Quality" campaign. In addition, participation in the campaign increased by 85 per cent from previous efforts.

The campaign raised money for: academic scholarships and awards; new state-of-the-art academic facilities; a new Health and Fitness Centre; and new library and teaching technology.

Professor Barry Joe, Director of the Centre for Teaching and Learning, and Chris Critelli, Head Coach of the women's interuniversity basketball team, were campaign co-chairs and worked with many volunteers from across the campus.

The \$355,000 raised in the campaign was three-times more over previous campaigns.

First grape and wine grads

The Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute (CCOVI) in conjunction with the Departments of Biological Sciences and Chemistry celebrated the Oenology and Viticulture (OEVI) Class of 2000—the first graduates since the program's inception. The class also represents the first graduates of Canada's only university program in grape growing and wine making.

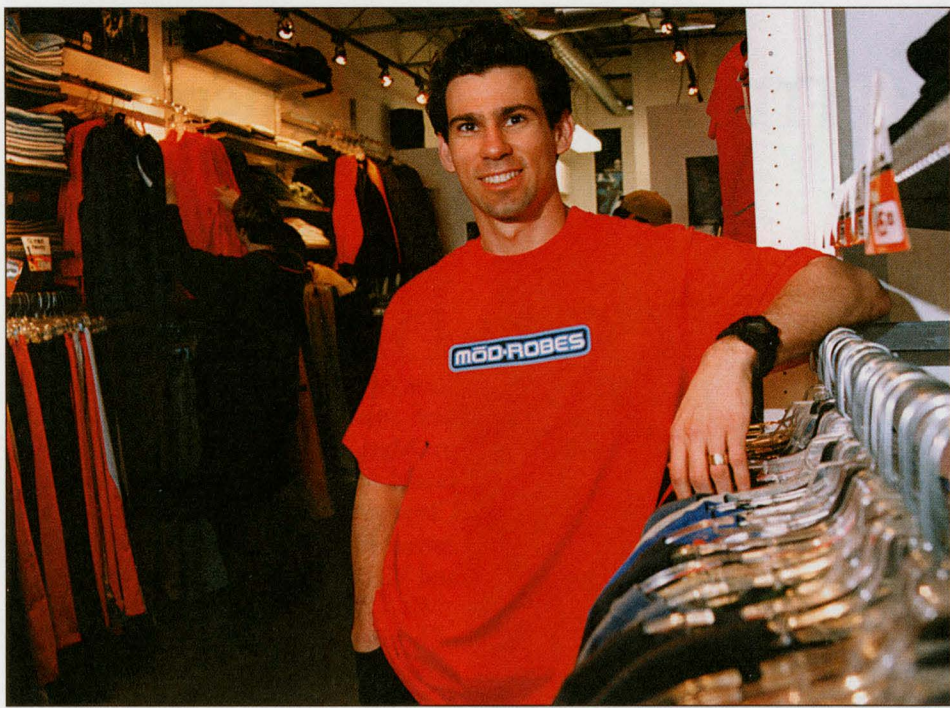
"These students have undertaken research projects and have studied techniques to cope with the unique Canadian environment and will make a valuable contribution to the grape and wine industry of Canada," says CCOVI's Director Dr. Ronald Subden.

The CCOVI Class of 2000: David Douglas, of Niagara-on-the-Lake, Elizabeth Grant-Douglas, of Niagara Falls, Wendy Huska, of Niagara-on-the-Lake, Nicole Mercier, of Welland, Robert Power, of St. Catharines, Megan Schofield, of St. Catharines, and David Sorokowsky, of Brampton.

Brock grads

We want to hear what you are doing, where you are living and the places you have travelled.

So, send us a letter, postcard or e-mail: hjunke@spartan.ac.brocku.ca



Brock grad Steve Debus at his Toronto store on Queen Street.

Modrobes success began at Brock

Steve Debus has always had a good idea where life would take him. He just never imagined he would get there so quickly.

In five short years, the Brock graduate has built a highly successful fashion business Modrobes Saldebus Lounge Clothing Inc. The Modrobes collection, comfortable clothing designed for students who spend hours in front of computers, began with the original Exam Pants. The collection has expanded to include skirts, jackets, hip bags and, new for next spring, shoes.

Debus, who designs the entire Modrobes collection, had an initial target of selling \$1 million in merchandise by the year 2000. He more than surpassed that target, recording \$7 million in sales going into this year. To get the business off the ground, Debus used a very grassroots marketing plan in which he travelled from campus to campus selling to university and college students. Modrobes are now sold in over 350 retail stores in Canada, including Modrobe Concept stores in Toronto and Vancouver.

The secret to his success is a combination of the 29-year-old's lifelong talent and love for fashion design with endless

energy and persistence.

"I lived the business for five years," said Debus over the phone from his Toronto office. "I've been doing this since I was 16. I'd do one business, see what worked, what didn't work and reinvent it for another idea."

The Modrobes concept began as a project for an entrepreneurship course Debus took at Brock. Debus credits his University experience with providing him valuable business training. He added that Brock also gave him the opportunity to learn about people, places and life in general — whether it was in the classroom or as player on five consecutive championship lacrosse teams.

He has spent the last year planning to introduce the Modrobes collection into the U.S. market. The planning started last summer with a trip to the Woodstock '99 Festival, in Rome, N.Y.

"No one had heard of us there," said Debus. "We sold a ridiculous amount of clothing — they just loved us."

This summer, he will open a store in a major U.S. market, likely in California. "We want to hit them the way we did here," he said.

Homecoming 2000: SEE YOU NOVEMBER 3 TO 5

Make plans now to be at Homecoming 2000, on November 3 to 5

• Class Reunions

This year, the following classes will hold reunions: Class of 1970 and Class of 1975. If you have lost contact with old friends from your University days but would like to reconnect and attend one of the above reunions, please contact: Vera Terpak, in the Alumni Office, at (905) 688-5550, ext. 3816 or: vterpak@spartan.ac.brocku.ca

• Brock Student Ambassadors 15th Anniversary Reunion

This year marks the 15th anniversary of the Brock Student Ambassadors and plans are under way to celebrate at Homecoming 2000. If you are a former Student Ambassador and wish to contact old friends, please call Lynne Irion in the Alumni Office, at (905) 688-5550, ext. 3251 or e-mail: lynirion@spartan.ac.brocku.ca. Suggestions for the weekend plans are welcome. It's going to be a great time!

• Biology grads invited to reunion

The Department of Biological Sciences invites grads to a special reunion on Saturday, November 4. This year, five faculty in the department will retire (Professors Manocha, Lewis, Morris, Rand and Ursino), and another, Professor Cade, leaves to become the President of the University of Lethbridge.

Join them on November 4, along with other faculty, staff and students, to share your memories of the department and the University. Further details about this reunion will be published in upcoming issues of Surgite! Any former students interested in helping to plan the event are invited to contact Don Ursino, at (905) 688-5550, ext. 3391, e-mail: dursino@spartan.ac.brocku.ca

• Calling all past CATI facilitators!

We are currently planning the first-ever CATI reunion, during Homecoming weekend. But, we have lost touch with a lot of you. Please contact the CATI office, at (905) 688-5550, ext. 3120, or e-mail to cati@brocku.ca to update your information. Looking forward to seeing you in November!

• Old Badgers Alumni Rugby 30th Anniversary Reunion

Have you ever mauled or rucked someone with malice aforethought? Do you know the difference between a rugby hooker and a wing three-quarter? If you have ever been involved with Brock Rugby, and lived to tell the tale, you are already an Old Badger.

This year marks the 30th anniversary of Brock Rugby, and the Old Badgers are once again hosting a world-class reunion during Homecoming weekend. For further information visit the Web site at: www.brocku.ca/extrel/develop/rugby/ or contact rugby@spartan.ac.brocku.ca and we'll add your name to the mailing list.

• Do you wish to organize a group reunion at Homecoming 2000?

If you participated in one of the many clubs or groups on campus during your stay at Brock and are interested in hosting a reunion, please contact Lynne Irion, in the Alumni Office, and she will help you locate old friends. Lynne can be reached at (905) 688-5550, ext. 3251 or e-mail: lynirion@spartan.ac.brocku.ca

• Computer Science 25th Anniversary Reunion

There will be a reunion for all Computer Science graduates on Friday, November 3, at The University Club/Alphie's Trough. For more information, contact Debbie Shiers, at (905) 688-5550, ext. 3513 or debbie@cosc.brocku.ca

• Centre for the Arts reunion

The Centre for the Arts is hosting a reunion, Saturday, November 4, for all former full-time and part-time staff and students who worked or volunteered at the Centre as ushers, concessionaires, front-of-house managers, theatre technicians, box office clerks, co-op students, administrators, or managers. The event will be held from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., at The Gallery (lobby), Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Cash bar and finger foods will be available.



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Spread the word! For more information contact: BCA Reunion 2000, Centre for the Arts Box Office, Brock University, 500 Glenridge Avenue, St. Catharines, Ont. L2S 3A1, (905) 688-5550, ext. 3257, Fax: (905) 688-4277, e-mail: boxoffice@spartan.ac.brocku.ca

• Were you a 1970 Grade 12 summer student?

Monica Gemeinhardt and Doug Falkner are planning a reunion — Monica will reveal the secrets of mnemonic memory devices and Doug Falkner will do a soft shoe (his patent leathers are all shined and ready). If you are, or know of anyone who is, a Grade 12 summer entrant from 1970, please contact Monica at: glen.gray3@sympatico.ca or Doug at: dfalkner@seglaw.com For more information, contact Lynne Irion, in the Alumni Office, at: lynirion@spartan.ac.brocku.ca or (905) 688-5550, ext. 3251.

• Dons' reunion

If you were a don in the 1970s or 1980s (up to and including 1989/90), plan to return to Brock for a reunion on Saturday, November 4. Enjoy dinner at The University Club/Alphie's Trough and then we'll help you connect with other grads for the entertainment at Isaac's later that evening. More detailed information to follow by mail. If you have questions, suggestions or want to help please contact, Jamie Fleming, (905) 688-5550, ext. 3594; fax: (905) 688-0797; e-mail: jfleming@brocku.ca

Note: There are plans for a 1990/91-1994/95 Dons' Reunion in 2001 and a 1995/96-1998/99 Dons' Reunion in 2002.

• Conclusion of 10 Years Exploration of Love

The Brock Philosophical Society invites you to join them for their three-day conference "The God that is Love — The Love that is God." There will be 18 papers presented at the conference plus an art exhibit. For more information, contact David Goicoechea, at (905) 688-5550, ext. 3315.

• Alumni Swim Meet

All former Badger swimmers are invited to the Annual Alumni Swim Meet, on Saturday, November 4, 6 p.m., at the Eleanor Misener Aquatics Centre. For more information, please contact Herb deBray, at (905) 688-5550, ext. 3596.

Golf tournament Sept. 16

Sign up now for the alumni association's annual golf tournament.

The date for this year's scramble tournament is Saturday, September 16, at Sawmill Golf Course in Fenwick. The cost will be \$80 if you register before August 15 and \$90 afterwards. Proceeds from the event will go toward scholarships for the Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute.

Included in your entrance fee are your green fees (18 holes), a light meal after nine holes, a golf cart (per two people), a great meal after your round and a guaranteed prize.

Spaces are limited so entrants are asked to register early through Vera Terpak, in the Office of External Relations, (905) 688-5550, ext. 3816. Payment using VISA or MasterCard will be expected at the time of registration.

Additional information on the golf tournament, as well as previous winners of the tournament, can be viewed at the Alumni Association Web page: www.alumniassociation.brocku.ca

Due to the success of the tournament, the Alumni Association is also asking that entrants or members of the Brock community who may know of potential prize donations, to please contact Scott Maxwell, at 988-6085 (smaxwell4@home.com) or Gary Enskat (enskat@martinshep.com) at 354-1611 or 354-6243.

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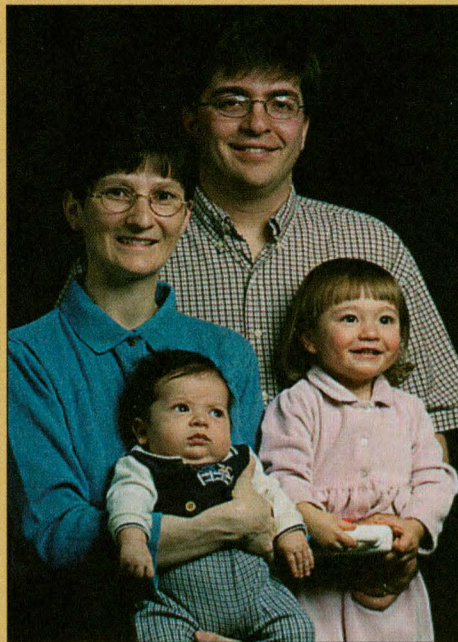
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O.P.P. Provincial Constable Natalie (Gayos) Majer (BA, geog '93).



Kim Mark-Goldsworthy (BPhEd, '93) a daughter, Gillian Meredith, December 11, 1998.



Robert Wein (BBA, '93) with his wife, Susan Chalmers, daughter, Jeris, 2, and son, Connor, two months.



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

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Barry Munro-Viglianti (BA, musi/hist) President and founder of Expressive Solutions Inc., a software company in Atlanta, has announced the release of their new product "EasySpeech" version 2.0, www.easyspeech.com Easyspeech is a software package designed for executives, speakers and communicators. It helps produce more exciting speeches, presentations and articles, faster and much easier. This product follows their Java product release, "The Quotation Library." Barry is also the author of the 1994 book "Smart Salespeople Sometimes Wear Plaid," published by Prima Publishing.

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Fred Dainard (BA, admi/poli) after graduation obtained employment with the Alymer/Del Monte canning plant in St. David's, Ontario, now owned by Nabisco. He moved from Production Supervisor to Plant Superintendent and now is Plant Manager. He is proud to announce that his daughter Laura is in her first year at Brock.

1979

Jacqueline Aird (BA, indp) received a Prime Minister's Award for Teaching Excellence, Science, Math and Technology. This is a national award. After 35 years of teaching, she is now retired.

1980

Donald Bruce Downey (BA, psyc) was involved in a work exchange in New Zealand in 1998-99 and also travelled the South Pacific. "Warmest regards to all Brock Grads."

1984

April (McGinnis) Cullen (BA, poli) recently started working at Tribute Communities as a Community Events Co-ordinator. Tribute Communities is a leader in home building in The Greater Toronto Area, promoting "The New Urbanism." Communities are carefully designed with an emphasis on creating miniature villages. April produces a quarterly newsletter for all purchasers, in addition to planning social and informational events. The newsletter also promotes activities such as fundraising for local charities, and environmental clean-up days. She is also a proud parent of Jesse, 15, who is a lead singer/guitarist of a band called IMRU. She would like to say hello to all members of the Politics Club 1983-84.

1988

Paul M. Bauerle (BA, hist) has been admitted to The Partners of Chown, Cairns, Barristers & Solicitors. After graduating from Brock, he earned a Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of Windsor. He will continue to practice in the areas of family law, criminal law and civil litigation.

Deborah Voth (BAdmin) Corporate Controller of Jeffery's Greenhouses has recently obtained her designation as a Certified General

Accountant. She has recently expanded her financial responsibilities by assuming the role of Management Team Leader.

1990

Sheila Bouman (BA, chld) would like to say "hello to the Campus Rec Crew!"

1991

David Kelly (BEd) has recently joined the SkillzEdge Learning Centre as the Sales and Program Manager. David was an instructor for Niagara College and other private industry clients. SkillzEdge Learning Centre specializes in corporate software training services. With modern learning facilities in Hamilton and Burlington, SkillzEdge can assist organizations in making productive use of their technology.

1992

Joseph Paull Simmons (BA, Engl) after graduating from Brock attended Nipissing University to receive his BEd, '93. He began his teaching career in September 1993. On August 17, 1996, he was married to Carol Bramston and the couple are now residing in Pickering, Ontario. Joseph received his MEd from York University, June 2000. Currently he is the Visual Arts Department Head, within the Faculty of General Studies at The Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto, in North York, Ontario.

1993

Gary C. Hyde (BBA) is the Operations Manager and owner of (ABH) Oversize Direct Ltd. in Flamborough, Ontario. This company is an International Freight Forwarding firm specializing in the movement of project cargo (large, oversized freight, ie. industrial machinery) around the world. Recently, he had the honour of moving British American Racing's 2000 model Formula 1 car into Brazil for a trade exposition during the Grand Prix. His company has been incorporated for two and a half years. His wife, Angela, is the President and First Director of the company, located in Waterdown, Ontario.

Natalie (Gayos) Majer (BA, geog) started with the Ontario Provincial Police as a Provincial Constable in 1994. In 1995, she married Nathan Fielding Majer of Niagara Falls who is also a Provincial Constable. They transferred to New Tecumseth O.P.P., in Beeton, Ontario, in 1996. Natalie and Nathan are proud parents of daughter, Christine.

Robert Wein (BBA) and Susan Chalmers are proud parents of their second child, Connor. Robert has also accepted a new position with PriceWaterhouseCoopers on their E-Commerce Team. His new e-mail address is: rwein@home.com

1996

Kelly Liachomsky (BA, thea) is currently working for Princess Cruises Entertainment as Assistant Production Manager aboard the Grand Princess, the largest ship in the fleet. Kelly is the ship's lighting technician and

works with the most modern equipment in the world. The lighting rig in the main theatre costs over two million dollars (U.S.) She travels eight to 10 months a year, mostly in the Caribbean and Mediterranean.

Kerri Niven Palumbi (BACC) has recently obtained her designation as a Certified General Accountant. She joined Crawford, Smith and Swallow in 1992 and provides accounting and tax-related services to a variety of clients.

Richard Phillips (BA, soci) will be completing his two-year teaching contract in Tongren, Guizhou Province, China, in June 2000. During his stay, he has travelled to some interesting places such as Beijing, Shanghai, Xian, Hong Kong and Thailand. He has enjoyed most of his time in China but he feels it's time to return to the land of maple syrup. When he attended Brock, he was a student and assistant instructor of the Brock Kung Fu Club. In China, Richard continued training in Chinese Martial Arts studying Shaolin Wushu, Chen-style Tai Chi, Praying Mantis and Drunken Fist. He will be returning to the Toronto area, in August 2000, to rest and find work. He is looking forward to getting home and visiting Brock again. Old friends may contact him anytime at: vso_peasant@hotmail.com

1997

Lisa Hall (BA, dram/thea) moved back to Niagara in September 1999. She would love to hear from THEA students '95-'97.

1999

Hugh Hasan (BBA) manager of customer service at the Royal Bank in Dunnville has currently accepted a position with Sears Canada Inc. Head Office in Toronto, in the Finance Department. He is currently pursuing the CMA designation and will be writing the entrance exam in June 2000.



Michelle (Hamilton) Snow (BPhEd, '95) and Rod Snow, December 4, 1999.

Births

Tasha Brooks-Martin (BA, soci, '99), a son, Mark Brooks, March 21, 2000.

Sheila (Richardson) Bouman (BA, chld, '90), a daughter, Dannika Lola Makenzie, March 10, 2000.

Joni (Brown) Bowman (BA/BEEd, '94) and **Hugh Bowman** (BA, admin/poli, '94), a daughter, Bella Grace, February 22, 2000.

Cathy (Gauvin) Courville (BA, psyc, '95), a daughter, Breanna Jeannine Mary, November 12, 1999.

Tom Fournier (BPhEd, '88), a daughter, Hailey Lauren, January 31, 2000.

DeeAnn (Obidowski) Gonsalves (BA, csmc, '87), a son, Kevin Michael Anthony, April 12, 2000.

Lisa Hall (BA, dram/thea, '97), a son, Jacob Alexander Hall, March 8, 2000.

Natalie (Gayos) Majer (BA, geog, '93) a daughter, Christine, September 2, 1999.

Julie (Waugh) McDiarmid (BA, psyc, '94) and **Eric McDiarmid** (BA, geog, '94), a son, Aidan, April 20, 2000.

Kim Mark-Goldsworthy (BPhEd, '93) a daughter, Gillian Meredith, December 11, 1998.

Susan (Bradt) Montague (BRLS, '92), a son, Duncan Allen, January 12, 2000.

Lisa (Mitterling) Reddick (BA, chld/psyc, '91) a daughter, Kate Krista, March 9, 2000.

Joseph Paull Simmons (BA, Engl, '92) a daughter, Stephanie Paige, August 31, 1997.

Robert Wein (BBA, '93) a son, Connor, February 22, 2000.

Marriages

Theodora Balis (BA, soci, '96) and Chris Tsakopoulos, July 4, 1999.

M. Ethel Bennett (MEd, '83) and Rene J. DeMeerleer, February 17, 2000.

Colleen Blacklock (BEd, '93) and Terry Morgan, August 7, 1999.

Kimberley Blain (BEd, '99) and Richard Paolini, July 10, 1999.

Joni Brown (BA/BEEd, '94) and **Hugh Bowman** (BA, admin/poli, '94), July 1995.

Donald Bruce Downey (BA, psyc, '80) and Joan Knox, September 18, 1999.

Patricia Dunnet (BA/BEEd, '87) and Edward Roszczka, July 23, 1999.

Kathleen Ferris (BA/BEEd, '92) and Shawn Bough, October 9, 1999.

Cathy Gauvin (BA, psyc, '95) and Brian Courville, October 10, 1998.

S. Michelle Hamilton (BPhEd, '95) and Rod Snow, December 4, 1999.

Hugh Hasan (BBA, '99) and Sharon Lovery, October 1, 1999.

Katherine Layne (BEd, '99) and Ray Herrow, June 5, 1999.

Joyce McEachern (BEd, '98) and Christopher Gmach, August 7, 1999.

Heather Mitchell (BA, soci, '99) and Jamie Smith, October 23, 1999.

Joseph Paull Simmons (BA, Engl, '92) and Carol Bramston, August 17, 1996.

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

In Memoriam

Hazel Meryle Berge (BA, Psyc, '90) became an environmental activist after being diagnosed with cancer in 1992. Meryl passed away on February 14, 2000.

Counselor of the Year: Dr. Nancy Johnston, a professor in the Department of Psychology, received the Canadian Counselor of the Year Award from the Niagara University College of Education. Johnston was one of three Canadian educators to be honoured by the university. Johnston, a senior psychologist at Brock, helped create the Child Studies Program, now the Department of Child and Youth Studies. In addition to supervising and mentoring doctoral students and practicing psychologists within her community, she provides a wide range of psychological services for children and adults as a clinical psychologist in private practice. She focuses on play therapy for children who have experienced sexual abuse.

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Tour speaker: Professor Ian Brindle, of the Department of Chemistry, has been selected by the Spectroscopy Society of Canada (SSC) to be the 2000 National Tour Speaker from Canada. In this role,

Brindle will be speaking at several local sections of the U.S. Society of Applied Spectroscopy (SAS). His first presentation was to the SAS Nevada section, Las Vegas, in May. This is an honour reserved to top Canadian scientists and past selections include Drs. Ralph Sturgeon (NRC) and Gary Horlick (U. of Alberta).

Biomechanics lab: David A. Gabriel, Assistant Professor Biomechanics, received \$76,684 from the Canada Foundation for Innovation and the Ontario Research Development Challenge Fund-II (CFI Match). The money will be used to purchase infrastructure for Brock University's new Biomechanics Laboratory. Funded projects will be directed at understanding how the nervous system controls the rate of tension development during muscle contraction. The application of this work is the development of resistance exercises that will help prevent falls in the elderly.

Cystic fibrosis research: The Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation has awarded \$149,943 to John Hay, of Brock University's Department of Community Health Sciences, Allan Coates and Marey Corey, of Sick Children's Hospital, and Larry Lands, of Montreal Children's Hospital, to investigate the question: "Does physical activity make a difference to lung health in cystic fibrosis?" This study will have major implications for the treatment of children with cystic fibrosis and will investigate a challenging and poorly understood aspect of the disease.

International award: Sarah Tiffin, a graduate student in Earth Sciences, was awarded the 1999 Lucy Cranwell Award by the American Association of Stratigraphic Palynologists Awards Committee. The committee received 11 applications from six nations, and rated them on the student's qualifications, the originality and imagination of the proposal, and likelihood of a valuable scientific contribution of the final results. Sarah's thesis is on the Miocene palynostratigraphy of the Atlantic Coastal Plain.

Funding support: Brock University recently received \$91,785 in funding from the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities under the Aboriginal Education and Training Strategy. The funding will support start-up and development projects for an Aboriginal Students Advisor/Counselor, an Aboriginal Learning Centre and the Native Teacher Education program. This funding will allow the University to make the advisor position full time and to increase its level of support to aboriginal students on campus.

Retirements: Several faculty members will be retiring this year. They include: Velmer Headley, Mathematics, Frans Koffyberg, Physics, John Larsen, Recreation and Leisure Studies, Mohan Manocha, Biological Sciences (all effective June 30, 2000); and Don Ursino, Biological Sciences (effective Dec. 31, 2000).



Brock dedicates Gordon and Betty Vallée Residence

Faculty, staff, students and members of the community joined Gordon and Betty Vallée at the official dedication of The Gordon and Betty Vallée Residence, formerly the New Residence. The Vallée's gifts and commitments to Brock University exceed \$1 million and they are the University's largest individual donors. Their donations have been endowed to provide scholarships for Brock students.

Presenting grant: For the fifth consecutive year, the Canada Council has awarded a \$10,000 Presenting Grant to the Centre for the Arts. Earlier this year, the Centre received a \$15,000 Specialized Theatre Presenting Grant, also from the Canada Council. Both grants are for the upcoming 2000/2001 season.



Centre for the Arts
Brock University

The Centre also announced that the Ontario Arts Council has awarded a Touring Initiatives Innovative Project Grant in the amount of \$15,000 to be shared jointly by the Centre for the Arts, Mississauga's Living Arts Centre, Kitchener's Centre in the Square, Chatham's Kiwanis Theatre and Peterborough's Showplace Theatre. This grant is to be used towards a project which will develop creative partnerships between community presenters, Ontario-based professional artists, students, teachers and local businesses through residency and workshop activities.

New appointment: Brock University is pleased to announce the appointment of Margaret Grove as University Librarian. Grove was selected as the result of a nationwide search to find a replacement for James Hogan who recently retired from the position.

Grove, a recipient of the Governor General's award upon graduation from Brock in 1970, has worked in many capacities in the University Library. She became Associate Librarian in 1996 and in September 1999, she was named University Librarian (Pro Tem).

Grove recently negotiated an agreement, in partnership with the University of Toronto, to provide students and faculty at Brock University with online access to journals published by Elsevier Science, the world's largest database of scientific, technical and medical research. The Brock Library is one of the first libraries in Ontario and the fourth library in Canada to introduce this very impressive and powerful service. Donations made through Brock's TeleGrad program have assisted developments of Brock's library technology.

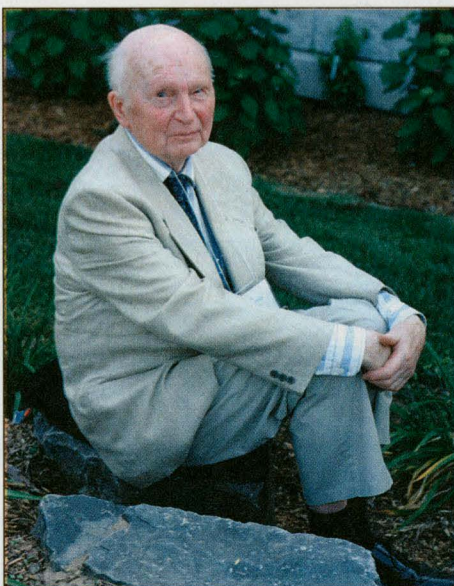


Margaret Grove



Official portrait of Terry White

Dr. Terry White, who served as Brock University's President and Vice-Chancellor from 1988 to 1996, stands next to his official portrait after the unveiling ceremony held in March. Dr. White is joined by his wife Sue White and daughter Chris White, who is a Brock graduate. "It was a privilege for me to work with so many people and to be part of the success of Brock University," said Dr. White, who is currently President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Calgary. "It's a great honour to have this portrait serve as a continuing link with such a wonderful University."



Dr. James Gibson

Dr. Gibson participates in historical video for Parks Canada

On a recent visit to Ottawa and a return visit after nearly 50 years to Laurier House, Dr. James Gibson (President Emeritus) had the interesting experience of recording, on video for Parks Canada, a running account of what it had been like to work with the Prime Minister/Secretary of State for External Affairs on the top floor of Mackenzie King's Ottawa residence.

Literally 20 minutes after joining External Affairs at the East Block in July, 1938, Gibson was seconded to the Prime Minister's

Office for six months, intended to be on rotation. The onset of war the following year meant that he was "frozen" as a civilian (ostensibly in Intelligence, though he continued as an "accomplished generalist").

In May of 1940, he was ordered to Laurier House, with the apparently simple instruction "to be useful to the Prime Minister."

Though King didn't deal in "titles," for establishment purposes the newest recruit was described as Officer i/c War Records; subsequently enlarged to External Affairs Liaison Officer. Gibson resigned to return

to active academic pursuit in 1947. The post was left vacant as King gave up his External Affairs responsibilities.

The video recording will serve as "authentic background" with an historical emphasis for the Parks Canada staff who conduct increasing numbers of visitors tours through this historic house.

Gibson was very interested in participating in the video as he is now the sole survivor of the six staff officers who worked regularly with King at Laurier House.

Brock researchers awarded more than \$1.5 million in grants

Researchers at Brock University have qualified for more than \$1.5 million in funding grants. The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) recently announced grants totalling \$1,076,062 of which \$302,200 are for new projects. NSERC also awarded three equipment grants totalling more than \$130,000. In addition, the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) awarded grants totalling \$455,846 of which \$111,591 are for new studies.

"Brock's commitment to enhancing its role as a centre of research and creative activity is evident by our faculty's success in winning awards from Canada's major funding agencies," says Jack Miller, Associate Vice-President, Research and Dean of Graduate Studies. "Research projects make an important contribution to our teaching and learning environment. As well, our research success, further establishes the University as a leader in research and development for the Niagara area and beyond."

The NSERC grants will fund 46 research projects at the University in the field of biology, chemistry, computer science, earth sciences, geography, math-

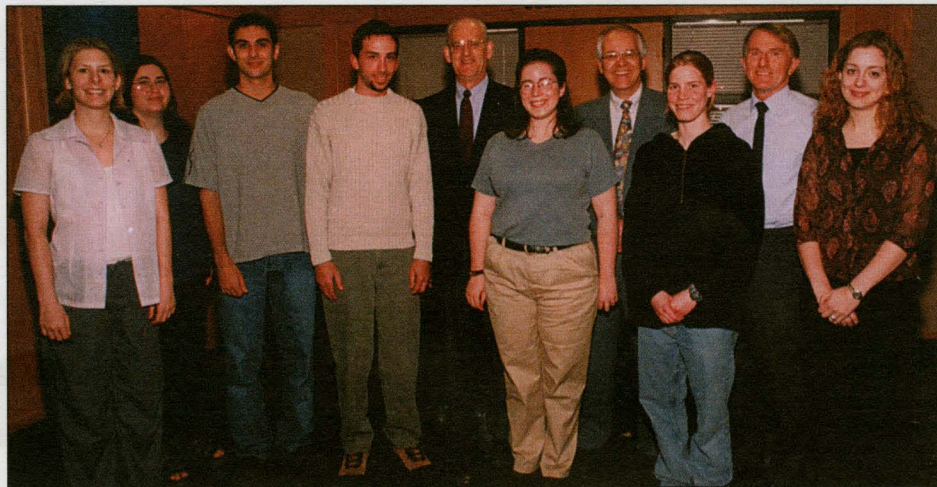
ematics, physics and psychology.

Biology professor Doug Bruce received an equipment grant of \$84,095 toward acquiring a YAG laser. Chemistry professor Heather Gordon was awarded \$22,420 to acquire computer equipment to use in protein structure determination. Biology professor Miriam Richards received \$23,529 to purchase microscope equipment for her studies of social bees.

Richards was one of 23 researchers from across Canada selected by NSERC for the University Faculty Award program. The goal of the program is to encourage greater representation of women in faculty positions in the natural sciences and engineering by encouraging Canadian universities to appoint very promising women researchers to tenure-track or tenured positions in science and engineering. NSERC contributes \$40,000 per year for three years (possibly renewable for an additional two years) to her salary and fringe benefits. She also received \$27,300 for research costs for each of the next four years as part of the award.

The SSHRC grants will fund 13 studies at Brock in the areas of teaching, learning, children, family and sustainable agriculture.

Fifteen Brock students receive national and provincial awards



From left, Kristin Newman, Tammy McKenzie, Jay Szule, Paul Barnfield, Ron Brown, Dean, Faculty of Mathematics and Science, Amy Jones, Will Webster, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Sarah Overduin, Robert Kerr, Dean, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, and Wendy Belbin. Not available when the photograph was taken were Steven Neely, Ripinjit Multani, Christopher Marrs, Martha Bajec, Ken Lo, Jane Lee, Christopher Somers, and Marcia McKenzie.

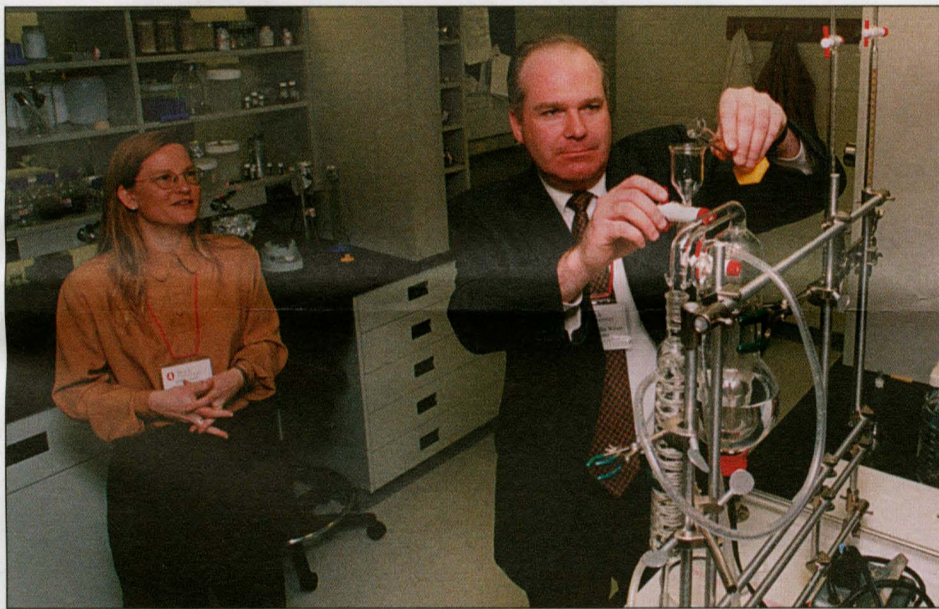
Brock University recently honoured 15 students who received national and provincial grants and scholarships in recognition of their academic excellence.

The awards are sponsored by the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC), the Ontario Graduate Scholarships (OGS), and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). Recipients of NSERC scholarships receive an award valued from \$17,300

to \$19,100 each year for two years; recipients of OGS awards receive \$11,859 for one year; and recipients of SSHRC awards receive \$66,680 for four years (\$16,670 per year).

"The University is very proud of the accomplishments of these outstanding students," said Dr. Jack Miller, Associate Vice-President, Research and Dean of Graduate Studies. "These awards recognize their dedication and hard work. They make a valuable contribution to Brock's teaching and research environment."

Minister tours Inniskillin Hall



Dr. Debbie Inglis, of Brock's Department of Biological Sciences, with the Honourable Jim Wilson during a tour of Inniskillin Hall.

The Honourable Jim Wilson, Minister of Energy, Science and Technology, visited the University recently for the official announcement of the Ontario Research and Development Challenge Fund Project. Also on hand was David Bogart, Executive Director of the Ontario Innovation Trust (OIT) to announce Brock's first OIT Award.

The Ontario Research and Development Challenge Fund capital grant of \$1.54 million supported the construction of Inniskillin Hall, the home of the Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute, and the purchase of research equipment for the new facility.

"Provincial investments in research at Brock will help Ontario's wine industry gain a greater share of domestic and international markets," said Wilson.

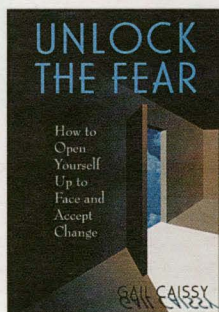
The Ontario Innovation Trust Award involves a grant of \$74,000 to purchase important equipment for Brock's electron spin resonance (ESR) spectrometer in the Department of Chemistry. The ESR spectrometer is essential in the advancement of plant research.

"This investment is a tribute to the innovative spirit of Brock University and its researchers," said Bogart.

The project's lead researcher, Professor Art van der Est, is conducting cutting edge research in the field of photosynthesis, a science that seeks to determine how plants and algae use sunlight to supply their energy needs.

"This equipment is essential to the special techniques that he uses in his studies and work," said Dr. Ron Brown, Dean of Brock's Faculty of Mathematics and Science.

Author, Author!



• Gail A. Caissey (BA, geog/soci '75, BEd '78) is the author of *Unlock the Fear: How To Open Yourself Up To Face and Accept Change*, Insight Books. The book offers an informative and comprehensive look at how individuals deal internally with change, how they adapt to it, and how they integrate it into their lives on a personal level.

(Brock grads interested in having their latest book publishing achievement highlighted in *Author, Author*, should send information, and if possible, a copy of the book jacket to: hjunkte@spartan.ac.brocku.ca)

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The Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute (CCOVI) at Brock University

Established in 1996, this world-renowned and unique Oenology and Viticulture Institute is a leading centre of grape and wine related research and study. CCOVI was recently recognized by the Conference Board of Canada as one of the best business education partnerships in the country.



More than 400 guests, including representatives of grape growers, wineries and others officially opened the new home of CCOVI – the \$6.1-million state-of-the-art Inniskillin Hall. It's designed to meet the research and educational requirements for Canada's grape and wine industries and is the first facility in Canada devoted solely to cool climate grape growing and wine making.

Business@Brock

The best in Canada for the second straight year! Brock University student entrepreneurs received, for the second year in a row, the highest national award at the Annual CIBC Campus Enterprise Challenge. In addition to the "Chapter of the Year," ACE Brock also won for "Best Awareness Program." Brock was the only university in Canada to be honoured in two categories. The competition included over 40 business schools and colleges across Canada. The panel of judges included representatives from corporate sponsors Bell Canada, CIBC and Magna International. This year, Brock celebrates the 20th anniversary of its co-op program in Accounting. With more than 400 students, the Accounting co-op program is the second largest in Ontario and is fully accredited by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario.



Dr. Martin Kusy, Dean, Faculty of Business, celebrates ACE Brock's success with students, Emanuele Giunta, Jackie Olsen, Adam Kozak, Kristine Dawson and Ryan Boese.

Careers begin here!

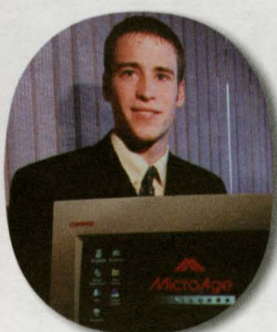
With an exceptional record of achievement in research, one of the highest employment rates among graduates in Ontario, a wealth of unique co-operative education programs, an unrivalled grape growing and viticulture institute, and a commitment to producing outstanding graduates in a range of disciplines; it's apparent that at Brock University, careers begin here!

Top Ten reasons why great careers begin at Brock:

- 1. Our grads get jobs!** The employment success of Brock grads is the fourth highest for Ontario's 17 universities at 98 per cent.
- 2. Co-operative Campus.** We've added many new co-op programs this year, more are planned for 2000-01.
- 3. We're No. 1!** Brock won the Most Spirited School award for two straight years against U.S. and Canadian colleges and universities.
- 4. Coming up ACEs.** Brock's student entrepreneurs, ACE Brock, have won national awards for business ventures, two years running.
- 5. The Unique Pre-Med Experience.** Med Plus is distinct in North America, offering students first-hand health-care experiences.
- 6. Careers Begin Here!** Brock's ExperiencePlus! Program is unique in Canada for providing students with career-related jobs on campus.
- 7. Focus on Tomorrow.** The Faculty of Applied Health Sciences educates health-care professionals for the 21st century.
- 8. Vine to Wine.** North America's only Institute for the study of cool climate grape growing and wine making.
- 9. Value-added Education!** One of the 10 best in Canada in Maclean's ranking for "value-added".
- 10. Fine Balancing Act.** We balance our chequebook and remain one of Canada's best-run universities.

Innovative career-related programs

Brock University provides unmatched hands-on opportunities for students to begin their careers – right here! The University has added many new co-op programs over the last year and is developing more internships in its academic programs. Services such as Brock's ExperiencePlus! and Med Plus are recognized as two of the most innovative career-related programs being offered in Canadian universities today.



"Careers Begin Here" reflects Brock University's commitment to prepare students for the world of work and to be active and involved citizens. A co-operative education placement provides benefits to both the employer and the student. Our students become contributing members of your team from day one as they complete two full years of business programming and participate in 22 weekly job readiness workshops prior to their first work term.

Left, is co-operative education student David Rust seen at his placement with MicroAge.

Brock has developed many exciting partnerships

The Wellness Institute, at Brock, and the National Quality Institute (NQI) have launched NQI's Employee Feedback System. This is a strategic human resource management tool used to measure internal organizational processes, quality and culture. Companies from across Canada are showing interest in the survey as a means of improving their productivity and performance in the global market.

Right, are Barry Malmsten, Vice-President, Program Development, NQI (left) and Professor John Yardley, Director of the Brock University Wellness Institute.



Meet the leaders of the future – Brock's award-winning students

Students are an important part of the fabric of Brock University. As individuals and as part of campus organizations, their initiative and leadership provide valuable contributions to the University and the broader community.

Brad Clarke looks back to the fall of 1999 with a great deal of fulfillment. As President of the Brock University Students' Union, Brad applied his leadership skills to guide Brock's student body in making a crucial decision on the future of the University. In what was one of the highest student voting turnouts ever on campus, Brock students voted overwhelmingly to provide \$5-million in funding to support the capital costs of the Student/Community Health and Fitness Centre as well as funding for two other major projects on campus.

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- Brad Clarke -
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Verbeek, Tinnish top athletic award winners

The University recently held its 33rd annual Athletic Awards Banquet, to celebrate this year's athletic achievements. Team achievements included national titles in men's wrestling, men's baseball and men's rowing.

Winning Brock's top athletic honours were:

- Male Athlete of the Year: Andrew Tinnish (Nepean, Ont.), a member of the Brock men's baseball team which won the 1999 national championship;
- Female Athlete of the Year: Tonya Verbeek (Beamsville, Ont.), 1999-2000 OUA and CIAU women's wrestling champion;
- Surgite! Award (for highest academic average while competing in a Brock University sport): Patrick Boyle (St. Catharines, Ont.), of the men's rugby team, carries a 92 per cent average as a student in the Faculty of Mathematics and Science;
- Director's Award: Elisabeth Walker, a paralympic swimmer, set four world record times at the OUA swimming championships and has qualified for the 2000 paralympic swimming trials.
- President's Cup: The men's baseball team was selected the "Team of the Year" after winning its second consecutive national championship.



Terry Varcoe, Vice-President, Administration, congratulates Andrew Tinnish, Male Athlete of the Year.



Terry Boak, Vice-President, Academic, congratulates Tonya Verbeek, Female Athlete of the Year.

Shells christened in honour of graduates

The Brock University Rowing Club recently christened four new rowing shells, one pair and three new singles.

The singles were christened in recognition of Brock athletes Iain Brambell, Ross Beattie and Jacqui Cook.

Iain Brambell is a graduate of the Health Studies program at Brock. He competed at four OUA championships while at Brock and won gold medals in each year. Brambell has competed for Canada in the 1997 and 1998 in the lightweight men's double and in 1999 in the lightweight men's four. He has been named to the Olympic team for 2000 and will compete in the lightweight men's four.

Ross Beattie is a graduate of the Biology program at Brock. Beattie is a five-time gold medalist at the OUA championships. He was Canadian University Champion in the Open Men's Pair in 1997 and was part of the National Champion team of 1999. Beattie was a bronze medalist in the lightweight men's eight at the 1996 World Championships. Beattie will compete for Brock University in the Visitors Cup race for university fours at the 2000 Henley Royal Regatta in England.

Jacqui Cook is a graduate of the Physical Education program at Brock. Cook won gold medals for Brock at the 1997 and 1998 OUA rowing championships. She competed in the 1999

World Rowing Champion-ships in the women's four. This year, Cook qualified for the 2000 Olympic Selection Camp.

The pair was christened Worlds '99, Brock Welcomes the World in honour of Brock's success in hosting the Athletes' Village for the 1999 World Championships, held in St. Catharines, last August.

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Critelli at Shock training camp: Women's basketball coach Chris Critelli spent the month of May as part of the coaching staff at the WNBA's Detroit Shock training camp.

Critelli was involved in all aspects of coaching, from the on-the-court exercises to strength and conditioning workouts. She also assisted in the selection of the squad and helped coach during exhibition games against Phoenix and Sacramento.

Ticats return: The Hamilton Tiger-Cats, reigning CFL champions, set up shop at Brock for their 2000 training camp, from June 12 to 25. This is the 26th year that the Ticats have used Brock's facilities for training camp.

"I'm a great believer that if things are going to end right, they have to start right and what's a better way to start than right here at Brock University," said Ticat coach Ron Lancaster during a pre-camp luncheon and press conference. "Brock has great facilities."

Off to Sydney: Elisabeth Walker, a third year Brock Physical Education student, has qualified for the 2000 Paralympic Games, in Sydney, in October. At the recent Olympic trials, Walker was selected on the basis of her gold medal performance in the 50-meter butterfly which was second in time only to her own world record.

This is the third time that Walker has competed at the Paralympic Games. Herb de Bray, Brock's Manager of Facilities and Aquatics and Head Swimming Coach, will join Walker at the games as her performance coach. He is one of five coaches selected to accompany the 24-member team.

Return to Elementary Teaching program

The Faculty of Education will offer a Return to Elementary Teaching course, July 17 to 28, 2000. Topics will include: New Ontario Curriculum and Curriculum Planner, Working with School Councils, Education Quality and Accountability Office, Ministry Report Cards, Special Education Reforms, Interview and Résumé Refresher and Pupil Assessment and Evaluation. For more information, please contact Brock's Faculty of Education Continuing Studies Centre at: (905) 688-5550, ext. 3342, or e-mail: pam@ed.brocku.ca

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