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Brock graduate blazes a trail



Brock graduate Ron Lancaster shared his innovative teaching ideas with teachers in Hong Kong last summer.

Since graduating from Brock's Faculty of Education in 1977, Ron Lancaster has applied a creative touch to teaching mathematics

When Ron Lancaster decided to pursue a teaching degree at Brock University, it was on the advice of a friend.

As he looks back over 17 years of teaching, he can't help but wonder what might have happened had his friend suggested he pursue another career.

"I had an undergraduate degree from McMaster and I was studying for my Masters at Carleton," says Ron, a math teacher at St. Mildred's-Lightbourn School, an all-girls school in Oakville. "I wasn't sure if I wanted to stay in the program but I didn't know what to do. So, I asked a friend and he said go into teaching."

It's all worked out very nicely for Ron since graduating from Brock University's Faculty of Education in 1977.

"I had some very special moments at Brock. I came into contact with people who had a powerful influence on me. They were people who showed me this would be a very good profession to be involved in."

Ron is a three-time recipient of Hilroy Foundation awards, which recognize innovative and creative teaching.

His most recent award came this spring in recognition of his work in developing Math Trails, which he describes as "an integrated learning experience."

Math Trails, including two developed for downtown Toronto, are guided walks during which students answer mathematical questions

related to architecture, public art and other things they encounter along their way.

He thought of the idea while working on a series of mathematics programs for TVOntario.

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"We were shooting outside the studios and I was looking into the camera and started thinking, I should be out here with my students," said Ron.

"It's a wonderful experience to watch kids learn math from a different environment and away from a textbook.

"Kids like the creative touch and applying math to the world around us. They like the fact that I'm not at the front of the class, putting things on a chalkboard."

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A guiding force

For almost three decades, Politics professor Bill Matheson helped shape the future of Brock and many of its students

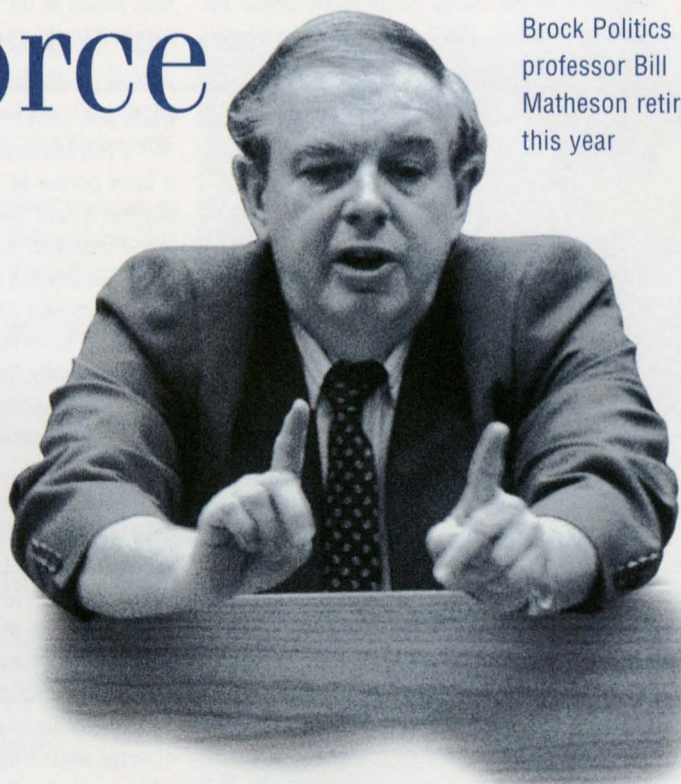
As a professor for 29 years and an administrator for almost as long, Bill Matheson has watched Brock University mature into a self-confident and respected undergraduate university.

To call it an eventful career would be an understatement.

It's not surprising then, to hear the Politics professor say he's ready to retire.

"It's time for me to enter a new phase in my life," he said while sitting in his office late April, a week after exams ended. "I want to give myself a year to do what I want. I plan to spend time reading, travelling and

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Brock Politics professor Bill Matheson retires this year

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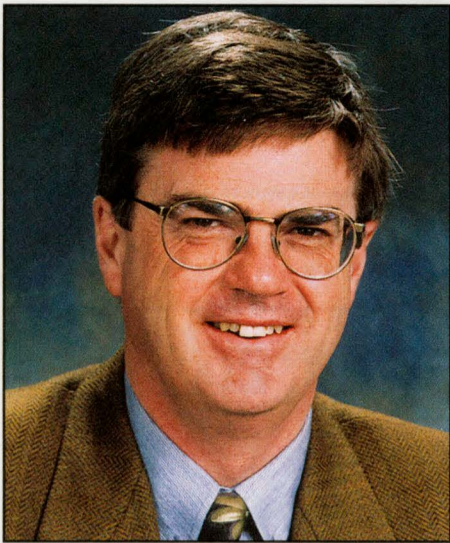
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Brock's success provides momentum for an exciting future



Brock University President David Atkinson

by David Atkinson

It would not be wrong to say that every new President initiates some sort of planning process. That he or she does so really has little to do with the individual involved; rather, it is what the appointment of a new President represents. It is a watershed — an opportunity to reflect on what the University has accomplished, and to determine where it should go in the future.

Any reflection on the last 35 years of Brock's history reveals that Brock is an institution ideally positioned for the future.

While firmly rooted in the Niagara region, Brock currently attracts 69 per cent of its students from outside Niagara, suggesting that its commitment to students has a broad appeal in Ontario. Brock has achieved a solid reputation for its research, and for its role as an educational, recreational, and artistic centre for the entire Niagara region. Despite a decade of underfunding, it has exercised sound fiscal management that has allowed the institution to remain debt free. This enviable financial position, which few Ontario universities enjoy, will allow us needed flexibility in meeting the challenges of the future. Brock's greatest strength remains, however, its people. The very real sense of community at Brock, which includes faculty, staff, and students, engenders commitment to improving on the excellence that already characterizes the University.

No university can stand still, especially in the current very competitive environment, where we must compete for students, funding, and research support. It is critical that Brock articulate a unique identity that positions it in relation to other Ontario and Canadian universities.

The University must use its resources in a way consistent with a clearly defined set of institutional priorities into which the entire University community has input. At the same time, we must be cautious in calling for change, and recognize Brock's already established traditions and values.

While the role of universities is changing rapidly, we must not embrace change without giving careful thought to what we are giving up. We must avoid change that is

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merely fashionable, and that has no long-term significance for the University.

With these concerns in mind, I called for the establishment of a President's Task Force on Planning and Priorities to develop an institutional plan for the next five years.

The Task Force was charged with examining and making recommendations on a wide range of issues crucially important to the University; these included: Brock's Student Focus, Curriculum and Programming, Research and Graduate Studies, Extension and Continuing Education, Revenue Generation, Staff and Faculty Development.

The Task Force, which was widely representative of the Brock community, began its work in October, 1997, by establishing a se-

ries of subcommittees to examine each of the above issues. We elicited input both from the University community, and from the community at large. It has been clear, from the very beginning, that the University took the exercise seriously.

The Task Force received 85 submissions, amounting to more than 1,000 pages of text. The Task Force also solicited views from its external community, and focus-group sessions were held with the various Deans' Councils, the Alumni Board, local teachers and principals, and the Board of Trustees. From this extensive input, a drafting committee has been busy writing a preliminary report, which will be circulated to the University in late May.

The University community will have two months to provide a response to this preliminary draft, which is still very much a "work in progress." This input will, in turn, contribute to the writing of a second interim report. Further response from the community will be requested, with the intention being that a final document should be sent to the Board and the Senate this September, for approval. Both bodies will need to give approval, as the final set of recommendations will have both academic and resource implications.

Brock University has never attempted an exercise of this sort previously, and while it has generated much excitement and interest, it has also produced anxiety about the future. So often one tends to associate words like "downsizing" and "restructuring" with planning exercises. While we wish to find a way of using our resources in the most effective and efficient way possible, there is no intention that we shall need fewer people to achieve our goals. Just the contrary is the case.

Brock's successes are the result of the efforts of everyone, both faculty and staff, and it can ill afford to lose anyone at such a crucial point in its history. One must recognize that developing a plan is only the beginning, and that it is the follow-up — actually making change happen — that is the hard part. This will require that everyone takes ownership of the process and be engaged in it. I expect the plan to be far reaching in its recommendations, as we position ourselves for the future. I have every reason to believe that Brock is up to the challenge, and I look forward to the exciting times ahead. ♦

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renewing friendships which have rusted over time."

In March, colleagues, friends, students and graduates celebrated his retirement at a dinner, with proceeds towards establishing the Bill Matheson Bursary. Although not all the details have been worked out, Prof. Matheson expects the award will be given annually to a student majoring or co-majoring in politics.

"The bursary is a wonderful thing," he said. "I hope it will help students over the financial rough spots so that they can continue studies without interruption."

It's a fitting and gratifying tribute to the man who, since coming to Brock in 1969, estimates he has taught as many as 15,000 students. He has received two major teaching awards at Brock. In 1980, Prof. Matheson received the first Brock Alumni Award for Excellence in Teaching, and 14 years later, he was chosen as the first recipient of a similar honour from Brock's Student Union.

"Teaching is something I do best," he said. "I don't know why. It's really something that seemed to come naturally to me," he said.

"When I came here I had never taught before, but I watched carefully. I spent a good deal of time being taught.

"You don't need students to love you, but you do need them to respect you and you can't give up on them. You have to take teaching very seriously and be prepared to deal with what comes before you, the good, the bad, the indifferent."

And sometimes even the unexpected as he recounted stories from the thousands upon thousands of hours he spent lecturing. One incident stands out, not only because it's unusual, but it's an indication of his unflappable personality.

"Years ago they allowed students to smoke in the classes," recalled Prof. Matheson. "I remember this one woman who would sit at the back and during my lectures she would smoke and read the Globe and Mail.

"One day she got careless with her cigarette and the newspaper caught on fire. I could see all this while I was lecturing and I watched her try to take control of the situation. I didn't miss a word of my lecture and somehow she managed to put the fire out."

Probably some of his greatest challenges came with his administrative responsibilities. Those began in 1976, when he was named the first Dean of Social Sciences,

while still an Assistant Professor.

Prof. Matheson was Acting President for a brief period in 1983 and went on to serve several years as Vice-President, and later Vice-President, Academic. He held that position until leaving administration in 1990.

"I enjoyed administration. It was always stressful. We were always behind the eight-ball financially. To help steer a new university was an opportunity I always appreciated and tried to make the most of. I was sorry to leave in 1990."

This year, he was involved in the Planning and Priorities Task Force established by Brock President David Atkinson.

When he leaves Brock at the end of Spring Session, he retires with the comfort of believing the University has a strong plan of action for its future course.

"My hope is that we remain basically an undergraduate university," he said. "That is what we do best. I think with the task force we have a pretty well thought out plan to follow for the next four to five years."

If anyone would like to contribute to the Bill Matheson Bursary, make a cheque payable to the Bill Matheson Bursary and mail it to: Office of Development, Brock University, St. Catharines, Ontario, L2S 3A1. ♦

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Brock graduate blazes a trail

Ron spends a lot of his own time giving presentations and conducting workshops throughout Canada, the United States and spent four weeks, last year, teaching in the Far East.

Math has always been Ron's strong suit.

"In all honesty it was the only thing I could do," says the 43-year-old Hamilton resident.

"Kids like the creative touch and applying math to the world around us. They like the fact that I'm not at the front of the class, putting things on a chalkboard."

His math skills helped him out of a few binds when it came to studying other subjects. He remembers taking a French exam in his second year at McMaster and staring down at the reading portion of it, knowing he could never pass. So, he decided to write an essay in French on how to make magic squares. He passed the course with 52 per cent.

It's that kind of thinking, and a passion for math, that has made him such a clever teacher.

As for his spare time, he is an amateur magician. It's something he's been doing since his days at Brock.

"Magic has opened up so many doors that might not have been open," he says.

Ron recently decided to take an unpaid sabbatical next year to work on some new projects, develop new Math Trails and do some consulting.

"I'm not sure what I'll be doing but I'm really looking forward to whatever possibilities present themselves."

And if he finds himself at loose ends as to how to spend his time, he can always ask a friend for advice. It's worked before.

Anyone interested in learning more about Math Trails is invited to contact Ron. His e-mail address is: ron2718@netaccess.on.ca

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The pursuit of excellence

At Brock, it's all about the student experience

by Dr. Bonnie Neuman

I am very pleased to join the Brock University community as the Associate Vice-President, Student Services. The many Brock students, alumni, faculty and staff who I've met in my first few months here have a wonderful enthusiasm for our University. Our goal in Student Services is to contribute to that ongoing enthusiasm with excellent service to students.

We want to keep and improve upon Brock's outstanding reputation as a truly student-centred university.

When Brock's administration reorganized and created this position, it was with a commitment toward providing leadership to the broad spectrum of student-related issues. That began with the addition of the Liaison and Recruitment Office, and the Registrar's Office, to the Student Services portfolio.

We're a large and diverse group of more than 80 dedicated staff, all sharing a common goal in our desire to provide excellent service to Brock students.

Our responsibilities include the Student Development Centre, Campus Ministries, Residences and Conference Services, Recruitment and Liaison, the Registrars Office, International Services, Health Services and Native Students Advisor.

I want to focus my attention on two main goals — quite simply, to enhance student service and student success at Brock. More specifically, that will involve new planning and review processes, developing a strategy for enrolment management, an expanded recruitment campaign and revitalizing orientation and support programs.

Graduates and community members will be pleased to know that, with the support of the campus community and great staff efforts, we've started on this path with several new initiatives this



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spring. Our admissions and recruitment offices are spearheading a new communications plan to provide applicants with more frequent information about Brock.

To provide more comprehensive financial planning assistance to our students, the OSAP office and the Scholarships and Bursaries office were combined under one manager. The new Student Awards and Financial Aid Office is still located on both the 3rd and 4th floors of the Schmon Tower. But we hope, by next spring, to consolidate the staff in one accessible location for students.

On other fronts, we're excited about a number of facility changes in the works. Our International Services Office now has an expanded international lounge and information centre at their location in the Decew Residence. This

will improve our ability to provide good information about exchange programs and to give support to the international students on campus. We're going full-steam-ahead on the design for a new building, which will house an expanded Student Health Services and Athletics Injury Clinic when students return in the fall. As well, new residences are going up in the Village Residence this summer. The Village is a very popular home for upper-year students and it will be great to have 180 more beds available this year. And there will be a brand new computer lab dedicated to student use in Room J202 this September.

I would like to hear your comments about the student experience at Brock and your suggestions on how to improve our student services. Please e-mail me at: bneuman@spartan.ac.brocku.ca

I look forward to hearing from you. ❖

Affinity program benefits graduates

There's no question, Brock University has a strong "affinity" for its graduates. And how does the University demonstrate that?

One of the many ways is through its Affinity Program, designed to offer graduates the advantage of group services and benefits. In today's employment market, many graduates are working on contract, starting their own business or working for smaller companies that do not offer these services.

With more than 33,000 graduates, Brock was able to negotiate contracts for Home and Auto Insurance, Term Life Insurance, Long distance, Internet service and a Brock MasterCard.

"This is a service we can offer to graduates in return for choosing to come to Brock," says Candy Tonellato, Alumni Officer.

Brock asks that companies cover all costs and the financial benefits returned to the University are put toward scholarships and events, such as Homecoming and convocation.

"We are currently reviewing proposals for health and dental, and an Internet job search program," adds Candy. "We receive many proposals each year but try to determine and limit our affinity partners as to what would offer the greatest benefits and service to our graduates. In making these decisions, we would welcome suggestions from graduates."

Candy assures graduates that their names and addresses are held in confidence by the University. All mail from an affinity partner must be approved by the University.

If you already have access to these programs through work or a spouse, and no longer want to receive affinity mailings, just inform the Brock alumni office at 688-5550, ext. 3816. The office will enter a code in your record to stop these mailings. However, it will not interfere with you receiving your *Surgite!* magazine. ❖

"Small School of the Year" gets better all the time

Brock University is building upon its distinction as "Small School of the Year" with an addition to its Village Residence complex.

By the time students arrive for fall classes, the University will have increased its residence occupancy by 180.

The new residence, being built by Kenmore Construction, will help the University accommodate an increasing number of students attending Brock from outside the Niagara region.

The \$4.1 million project is being built at no cost to taxpayers. Moderate construction costs and low interest rates are enabling the University to mortgage the addition. The student residence fees will finance the project.

The addition brings the total residence occupancy provided by the University to 1,620 students.

Brock operates four separate residences for its students, three on the campus and one next to the St. Catharines General Hospital.

"I am delighted that there is such tremendous demand to live in residence that we have needed to build more and more," says Jamie Fleming, Director of Residences. "Living in residence is an experience like none other. It is a place where you can work and play; you meet lots of people; you learn about yourself and about life."

The new residence coincides with Brock's honour of being named "Small School of the Year," last November, by the Great Lakes Affiliation of College and University Residence Halls.

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run organization in the world. It regularly evaluates the quality of services provided to students by more than 60 North American colleges and universities. ❖



Jamie Fleming, Director of Residences, points to a blueprint of the addition to the Village Residence. With him at the construction site are students, from left, Mike Greenwood, Andrea Palko, Marie Hackett and Darren Fox.

1971

Gary Schrobilgen (MSc, chem) received his PhD in 1975 from McMaster University. Gary also received a National Research Council of Canada Post-graduate Scholarship (1971-74) and a National Research Council of Canada Overseas Post-doctoral Fellowship tenured at Leicester University, England (1974-76). Gary held a Natural Sciences & Engineering Research Council of Canada University Research Fellowship at McMaster (1980-90). He also recently received the 1997 President's Award for Excellence in Graduate Supervision from McMaster, and has been named a Canada Council Killam Research Fellow for 1998 and 1999.

1972

David Wybrow (BA, poli) was recently appointed Director - Lender Programs of the First Canadian Title Company Limited. Prior to joining First Canadian Title, David held Vice-President positions on both the business development and servicing sides of the London Life mortgage divisions.

1974

Esther (Dyck) Dueck (BA, psyc) and her husband, Walter, are the co-authors of *Family Documents*, a practical resource book which people can use to organize all their personal information. The Duecks came up with the idea while preparing for a one-year educational assignment to Lithuania. The book is published by Waterside House Publishing, in Lewiston, N.Y.

1975

Walter Williams (BA, hist) lives in Woodstock, New Brunswick with wife Lorna and his three sons Evan, Andrew and Matthew. Walter was made a Canon of Christ Church Cathedral Fredericton in 1975 and has been Regional Dean of Woodstock for the past five years.

Alan Wyatt (MA, poli) is retired and living in Victoria, British Columbia. He recently completed a stint as President of the Victoria Men's Newcomers Club and has started a two-year term as President of the Naval Officer's Association of Vancouver Island. He is also a Director of the Naval Officer's Association of Canada.

1976

Gary Blazak (BA, geog) assumed the Senior volunteer position of President

of the Board of Directors of the London Chamber of Commerce for the 1997-98 term. Gary is Director of Planning in the London office of Cumming Cockburn Limited, Consulting Engineers and Planners.

1981

David Buck (BA, admi/poli) has been promoted to Major, and appointed the Chief Ammunition Technical Officer for the New Zealand Army. Anyone wishing to contact David may do so through the Alumni Office.

Glenn Holder (BA, geog) is Assistant Deputy Minister of the Science and Information Resources Division of the Ministry of Natural Resources in Peterborough. Glenn's former position with the ministry was Director of the Information Management Systems Branch.

1982

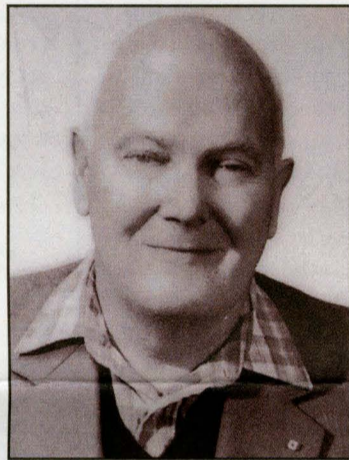
Stephen Dominick (BA, admi/econ) has relocated his studio to Orchard Drive, Niagara-on-the-Lake.

1985

John Smale (BSc, geol) would like to note that there was an error in his e-mail address which was published in the Winter issue of *Surgite!*. John's e-mail address is smalej@texaco.com.

1988

Brian Fleischman (BPhEd) is the owner of Heartbeats Health & Personal Fitness Studio in Aurora, Ontario.



Alan Wyatt (MA, poli '75)

1989

Marsha (Rice) Rankin (BA/BEd) lives on the family farm in Flesherton, Ontario with husband Paul and daughter Hannah. Marsha teaches at Macphail Memorial Elementary School in Flesherton.

1991

Tim Wilson (BA, Engl/hist) is about to finish his doctorate in English at the University of Ottawa and is a part-time professor in the English Department. Tim and wife **Kerry Barnes** (BA, psyc, '90) were married August 31, 1996, nine years after they first met at Brock. Kerry graduated from UNB with a Master's in Applied Psychology in 1995 and from the University of Ottawa with a BEd in 1996. She is presently working at Statistics Canada in the Census Operations Division.

1992

Ron Frey (BA, psyc/musi) has successfully completed his doctoral studies in psychology at the University of Toronto - OISE. Ron, who recently married Sonia Labonté, has relocated to the Ottawa region after having accepted a position at the Brockville Psychiatric Hospital.

1993

Derek Foote (BBA) has moved from Ottawa, Ontario to Sao Paulo, Brazil, where he is Vice-Consul, Administration, at the Canadian Consulate General. He will be in Brazil until the summer of 2000, when he will probably return to Ottawa, to work at the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade as a Management Officer.

Josephine (Muraca) Lettieri (BA, poli) completed a Masters degree in Science in the area of Criminal Justice and husband **Michael Lettieri** (BA, poli) completed his Master of Education degree. They would like to say a special hello to the politics department.

Ben Sharma (MEd) would like to say, "Thank you to the faculty at Brock; especially to my advisor, Dr. Ron Common, I will always be grateful."

1994

Heather (Simms) Debus (BPhEd) is teaching fulltime (Grades five and six) with the Durham Board of Education. Husband **Steve (Sal) Debus** (BA, admi/poli) takes on the world with his innovative pant "Mod. robes," colourful, loose-fitting, comfortable, lounge pants! Fun, travel, new people, university tours and Edgefest concerts, are all part of the job! Their new-concept shop at 329 Queen St., West awaits all Brock Grads. Both Heather and Steve play beach volleyball and snowboard to keep active.

Angie Klages Tower (BA/BEd) lives in Maple, Ontario, but teaches Kindergarten with the Grey County Board of Education in Dundalk, Ontario.

Angie says the commute is tough, but it is worth it.

Stephen Willson (BA, hist) and wife **Carolyn Willson** (BRLS, '95) have recently returned to Ontario from Halifax, Nova Scotia. Stephen is Education and Program Co-ordinator at the Farm Museum in Milton, Ontario. He would like all Brock grads who are now teaching, to call him at the museum, 1-888-307-3276, and ask about their special rate. Stephen would like past members of the fencing team to give him a call. **Sara Yablo** (BA, visa/dram) runs the Visual Arts department at St. Michael's High School in Niagara Falls.

1995

Colleen (Craig) Adam (BPhEd) is co-owner of A Glimpse of Radiance, a bridal store, in Oakville, Ontario.

Jackie Cheng (BA, econ/admi) is a teller with Cosmos Bank in Taiwan. Jackie would like to contact an old friend from Brock by the name of Merrisa. Jackie says that she lost contact with her friend when she left Canada after graduation. Is there anyone who can help find Merrisa? If so, please contact the Alumni Office.

Jennifer Gatecliffe (BA, chld) and **Andrew Lumsden** (BBE) were engaged on January 15 and are to be married August 22, in Hamilton, Ontario. Jennifer graduated from St. Bonaventure University in New York with her teaching certificate and is a teacher with the Hamilton-Wentworth Board of Education.

Thomas Hanser (BA, econ) received his MSc in economics from Bristol University, Bristol, England. He is assistant planning manager with Proctor and Gamble in Schwalbach, Germany. **Pamela Zavitsky** (BBA) now lives in Waterloo with husband Chris and daughter Kayla. Pamela is Manager of Mutual Funds Operations at Farm Mutual Financial Services in Cambridge.

1996

Danielle Marchese (BA, psyc) has accepted a position with Collette Tours in Rhode Island, U.S. Collette Tours is an American company with a Canadian head office. She will be a tour guide with them and her position will take her all over the world. Danielle has been in the Eastern U.S., Italy, British Columbia and Alberta. She is very excited about her new opportunity.

1997

Glenn Sinclair (BA, Engl) was promoted to Master Production Scheduler with Delta Faucet, Canada.

BIRTHS

Judy (B.J.) Armstrong (BA, dram, '77) and **Michael Robertson** (BBA, '92), a daughter, Aidan Margaret, January 12, 1998.

Peter Armstrong (BA, hist, '92), a son, Riley, June 20, 1997.

Laura Atherton (BSc, biol, '88), a daughter, Bronwyn Lee Greenalgh, November 11, 1997.

Anne-Marie (Hannah) Aylesworth (BA, chld, '89), a daughter, MacKenzie Hannah, December 11, 1997.

Linda Barbetta (BPhEd, '86), a daughter, Jennifer, November 17, 1997.

Lisa (Antonucci) Barzetti (BA, geoh, '93) and **Marco Barzetti** (BA, geoh, '93), a daughter, Julia, July 30, 1997.

Lee (Horley) Blue (BA, psyc/soci, '85) and **Matthew Blue** (BA, poli/psyc, '83), a son, Kyle, July 25, 1997.

Sara Bosnic (BA, chld, '91), a daughter, Leah, August 14, 1997.

Julie Boudreau (BEd, '92), a son, Brendan Joseph Boudreau Watson, June 13, 1997.

Jean (Troschinski) Brohman (BAdmin, '85), a son, Matthew, October 14, 1997. (other children are, Kevin, 3, and Alexandra, 5).

Pamela Brown-Wass (BPhEd, '88; MEd, '97), a daughter, Mackenzie Taylor, December 20, 1997.

Marcia (Thorner) Butler (BA, Engl, '92), a son, Trevor Nicholas, January 2, 1998.

Lorenzo Cherubini (BEd, '92), a son, Joshua Michael, December 1, 1997.

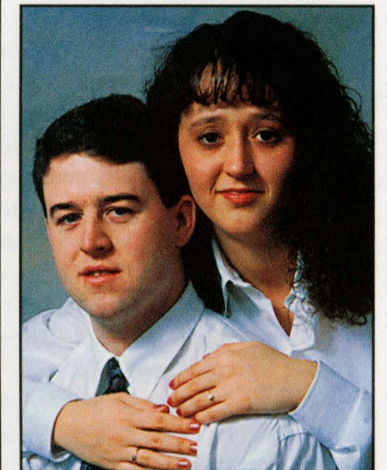
Alicia (Brancato) Chiarelli (BPhEd, '86), a daughter, Talia, May 25, 1995 and a son, Cameron, November 23, 1996.

Lesley (Hallett) Chiasson (BEd, '91), a daughter, Julia Elizabeth Kristen, November 12, 1997.

Carolyn (Bauer) Cormier (BRLS, '94), a son, Liam, October 23, 1997.

Lisa (Haick) Cosgrove (BA, chld, '95), a son, Braden, January 27, 1998.

Tamara Craig (BEd, '95), a son, Edward Connor Sweeney, November 18, 1997.



Jennifer Gatecliffe and Andrew Lumsden were engaged January 15.

Marlene (Bannerman) Daly (BRLS, '90) and **John Daly** (BPhEd, '91; BEd, '93), a son, Connor, August 24, 1997.

Cynthia (Holloway) Della Croce (BEd, '92), twins, Daniella and Stephanie, September 5, 1997.

Scott Dunn (BPhEd, '91), a son, John, March 23, 1998.

Janice Edwards (BBE, '87), a daughter, Sidney Elizabeth Ruth MacDonald, October 30, 1997.

Nancy (Becket) Esau (BA, chld, '93), a daughter, Alexandra Jean, February 13, 1998.

Sherri (Propper) Fitch (BRLS, '95), a daughter, Teagan Crystal, July 22, 1997. **Michele Halligan-Foley** (BA/BEd, '97), a daughter, Kaitlin Marie, May 27, 1997.

Lorna (Climenhage) Hilborn (BA/BEd, '92), a daughter, Katelyn, January 18, 1998.

Audrey Gommier (BA, chld, '87; BEd, '96), a daughter, McKenzie, November 3, 1997.

Mary (Montesanti) Gordon (BRLS, '92), a son, Jacob Damian, March 26, 1997.

Carmel Grant (BA, psyc/chld, '90), a daughter, Carly, October 4, 1997.

Karen (Randall) Gurnsey (BA/BEd, '95), a daughter, Charlotte Elizabeth, March 27, 1997.

Chris Hardy (BPhEd, '88) and **Peter Carfrae** (BA, admi/econ, '88), a son, Kevin Peter Carfrae, February 12, 1998.

Shelley (Beattie) Huctwith (BA, chld, '92; BEd, '93), a daughter, Amelia, October 30, 1997.

Brian Hume (BEd, '95), a daughter, Kara, January 6, 1998.

Susan (Johns) Johnston (BEd, '92), twins, Philip and Timothy, September 26, 1997.

Alana Keba (BA/BEd, '92), a son, Kyle, June 28, 1996.

Crystal Kimonos (BA, psyc, '94), a daughter, Annaleza, November 29, 1997.

Tricia Lewis (BRLS, '93), a daughter, Keristen Alexa May, July 21, 1997.

Debbie (Seliga) Long (BA, hist, '93), a daughter, Hope Alexandria, September 7, 1996.

Maria (Ruggi) Mancini (BA, psyc, '96), a son, Christopher Daniel, October 23, 1997.

Brenda (McLaughlin) Manning (BA/BEd, '86), a son, James John Jerry, September 16, 1997.

Cherie (Barnes) Maracle (BA, psyc/soci, '95) and **Aaron Maracle** (BSc, cosc, '95), a daughter, Teia, August 12, 1997.

Where are they now?

Brock University is planning the 25th/30th anniversary reunion for the classes of 1973 and 1968. The Alumni Office has lost touch with the following list of graduates and would like to contact them about the reunion, being held during Homecoming, November 7. If you have an address and/or phone number for any of these people, please contact the Alumni Office at 1-800-449-7901, (905) 688-5550, ext. 3251 or fax (905) 641-5216.

Class of '73

William Allcock • Gray Allen • Krystyna Beaver • Scott Bennett • Theresa Bennett • Jacqui Bernard • Carmen Bernardo • Michael Biro • Rita Bomberry • Susan Brazeau • Daniel Calmusky • Christina Carella • Robert Carpenter • David Chan • Shirley Chan • Terence Chan • Stephen Cheatham • William Cheng • Michel Chudzik • David Clark • John Cole • Charlotte Cottage • Anita Couvrette • Elizabeth Craig • Cornelius Culp • George Demeter • Eileen Devaney • Alice Devries • Darwin Dickson • Patricia Dobbie • Marilyn Druce • William Elliott • Robert Este • John Galley • John Garton • Lesley Gibson • Robert Hanley • Patricia Harper • Salter Hayden • Joyce Hughes • William Hunter • Michael Huntley • Colleen Ireland • Joanne Ivey • Wesley Jack • Trevor Johns • Mark Johnson • William Korince • Sylvanus Kpanabom • Carola Lane • Cheryl Lane • Richard Lawler • William Lechow • Agnes Lee • Victor Lee • Joseph Letwin • David Lewis • Dale Linton • Robert Loveman • Ronald Lurie • John Macbean • John Makin • Mary Milano • Chrystyna Mulkeywytch • Richard Ozolins • Anne Peace • Harold Penner • Edith Petersen • Thomas Petrie • William Powers • Audrey Reid • Freeman Reid • Danny Roy • Maureen Royle • Barry Scully • Robert Shaw • Jeremiah Sheehan • Kevey Sherman • Wayne Siebenga • Dorothy Siebert • Ernest Smith • Phyllis Smith • Danny Smolka • Kenneth Snider • Unni Soelberg Claridge • Gail Spear • Carol Stewart • Jatinder Tandon • Adriaan Ten Den • Chacko Thankachan • Len Turner • Sunny Vadakkanezhith • Sylvia Verde • Robert Waller • Stephen Walmsley • Michael Watts • Thomas Whamond • Christina Williams • Kathryn Willms • Helen Wockner • Tony Yu

Class of '68

Pasquale Biello • Anthony Fucile • Randolph Mazza • Anthony Morra • Rudolf Siemens

Heather (Kurtz) Matile (BPhEd, '91; BEd, '92), a daughter, Rachel Ann, August 28, 1997.

Sandra (Court) Maxwell (BA, adm/pol, '87) and **Scott Maxwell** (BA, poli/psyc, '88), a son, Matthew James, April 18, 1998.

Mary McDiarmid-Campbell (BE, '86), a daughter, Lisa, August 28, 1997.

Sandra (Durbiano) McDonald (BA, Fren/Ital, '78; BE, '79), a son, Jacob, August 3, 1996.

Annette (Bertrand) Menard (BA, Fren, '93), a daughter, Emily, May 26, 1997.

Stephanie Menicanin (BRLS, '90; BE, '95), a son, Nicholas, May 2, 1997.

Pamela (Clarke) Merenyi (BA, poli, '84), a son, Daniel, October 25, 1997.

Marilyn (Black) Mihelic (BA, visa, '93), a son, Luke, December 13, 1997.

Merdina (Price) Moses (BA, ling, '95; BE/TSL, '96), a son, Frobisher, December 8, 1997.

Leeanne (Laresen) Murray (BA, psyc, '94), a son, Travis, January 18, 1998.

Shahid Nacem (BBA, '93), a son, Roman, September 5, 1997.

Leanne (Trowhill) Oliver (BA, chld/psyc, '90; BE, '93), a daughter, Breanna, June 24, 1997.

Michelle Oliveira (BA, chld, '90) and **Kirk Merrett** (BBE, '89), a son, Kyle, January 2, 1998.

Kathryn (Kirby) Overstrom (BE, '92), a daughter, Chelsea, December 17, 1997.

Krista (Donaldson) Poole (BA, chld/psyc, '91) and **Terry Poole** (BRLS, '91), daughter, Taylor, September 14, 1995 and son, Tanner, October 21, 1997.

Marsha (Rice) Rankin (BA/BE, '89), a daughter, Hannah Cheryl, March 9, 1998.

Lisa (Mitterling) Redding (BA, chld/psyc, '91), a daughter, Klare Corin, October 28, 1997.

Rose (Fortino) Reynolds (BPhEd, '90) and **Michael Reynolds** (BPhEd, '90), a son, Samuel Robert, February 24, 1998.

Christine (Deutschlander) Rome (BRLS, '92) and **Kevin Rome** (BA, soci/psyc, '92), a son, Nathan, September 18, 1996.

Janet (Peterson) Scott (BA, Fren, '90; BE, '91), a daughter, Rachel Kathryn, October 29, 1997.

Christina (Brophy) Sriver (BSc, geol, '90; MSc, erse, '97), a son, Kyle, June 25, 1997.

Stacey Sutton (BA/BE, '93), a daughter, Karlee Helena, October 2, 1997.

Heather (Willis) Stephens (BPhEd, '92), a son, Mitchell Rielly, February 5, 1997.

Janet Stewart (BE, '90), a daughter, Georgia Dilar, September 30, 1997.

Rita (Scott) Vail (BA, Engl, '95) and **Jason Vail** (BA, geog, '94), a son, Mason Curtis Matthew, December 23, 1997.

Jackie (Kita) VanLankveld (BA, chld, '88) and **Frank VanLankveld** (BAdmin, '86), a daughter, Hannah, September 29, 1997.

Sally (White) Vince (BA, chld, '92; BRLS, '93; BE, '95) and **Tim Vince** (BA, poli, '87), a daughter, Elizabeth, April 1, 1998.

Corinna Visser (BRLS, '95), a son, Jacob, March 10, 1998.

Lisa (Agnew) Welgan (BA, chld, '89; BE, '93), a daughter, Anna Nicole, November 23, 1997.

Felicia (Ross) Woodcock (BSc, bchm, '89), a son, Cameron James, May 16, 1997.

Pamela (Lauber) Zavitsky (BBA, '95), a daughter, Kayla Catherine, December 24, 1997.

MARRIAGES

Tracy Abbs (BA, psyc, '95) and **Brad Hawkins**, October 4, 1997.

Timothy Anger (BA, geoh, '96) and **Christa Philippou**, May 9, 1998.

Victoria Arnold (BA, clas, '94) and **David Bergie**, May 3, 1997.

Stacy Arsenault (BA, psyc, '94) and **Tom Knepper**, September 27, 1997.

Meredith Babyk (BE, '97) and **Jayne Campbell**, May 31, 1997.

Allison Baird (BBA, '95) and **Brian Knipfel** (BBA, '95), September 28, 1996.

Kristine Barker (BA, hlst, '97) and **Greg McLean**, August 9, 1997.

Cherie Barnes (BA, psyc/soci, '95) and **Aaron Maracle** (BSc, cosc, '95), July 1, 1995.

Amy Beck (BA, psyc, '97) and **Jeffery St. Aubin**, August 18, 1997.

Andrea Bosman (BA, psyc/phil, '95) and **Adam Edwards**, October 18, 1996.

Elaine Brinkert (BRLS, '96) and **Allan DeKroon**, August 23, 1997.

Karen Brown (BE, '97) and **Gary Wilder**, May 10, 1997.

Elizabeth Cardillo (BA, Engl, '95) and **Bryn Keys**, July 27, 1996.

Michelle Casburn (BBA, '92) and **David Chambers** (BE, '97), May 28, 1994.

Sara Cheng (BA, hlst, '97) and **Nicholas Tapley**, August 8, 1997.

Melissa Cibic (BA, psyc, '94) and **Andrew Duguid**, September 20, 1997.

Catharine Ciurluini (BA, chld/educ, '93) and **Christopher Rogers**, October, 1997.

Jennifer Converset (BE, '97) and **Paul Lecelle**, July 19, 1997.

Colleen Craig (BPhEd, '95) and **Donald Adam** (BPhEd, '95), July 26, 1997.

Emily Cuglietta (BE, '93) and **Alain Thibodeau**, August 9, 1997.

Kevin Curiston (BE, '95) and **Marije Boetze**, March 16, 1998.

Karen Dalke (BA, chld, '96) and **David Gallas**, June 7, 1997.

Sandra Davidson (BA, Fren, '93) and **John MacDonald**, July 8, 1995.

Maria Futino (BA, soci, '95) and **Rock Vacca**, Summer 1997.

Lori Gibson (BA, Engl, '96) and **Jason Clark**, June 7, 1997.

Kristen Goegan (BA, soci, '95) and **Douglas Compisano**, September 20, 1997.

Suzie Goudreau (BA, psyc, '95) and **Todd Lupa**, September 5, 1998.

Jennifer Grass (BPhEd, '92) and **Daniel Brown** (BA, visa, '95), February 28, 1998.

Barbara-Ann Hicks (BE, '93; BA, chld, '95) and **Devin Eldridge**, October 18, 1997.

Matthew Hillier (BACC, '95) and **Paula Frank** (BA, psyc, '94), May 24, 1997.

Heather Hoffman (BE, '95) and **Orvie Bowman**, July 2, 1997.

Tara Hord (BE, '96) and **Stephen Ashley**, March 8, 1997.

Kevin Horner (BE, '96) and **Lori Brubacher**, July 20, 1996.

Dianne Horton (BA, visa, '97) and **Roland Barnsley**, December 24, 1997.

Jennifer Jay (BA, chld, '95) and **Patrick Kilburn**, June 29, 1997.

Tamera Johnson (BA, geog/wise, '95) and **David Ross** (BBA, '94), May 18, 1997.

Julie Johnston (BA, psyc, '94) and **Sean Sibbald**, August 17, 1996.

Julie Jones (BPhEd, '93) and **Chris Lamb**, July 1, 1997.

Lori Journeaux (BA, psyc, '93) and **Jim Borsodi** (BSc, biol/educ, '92), May 24, 1997.

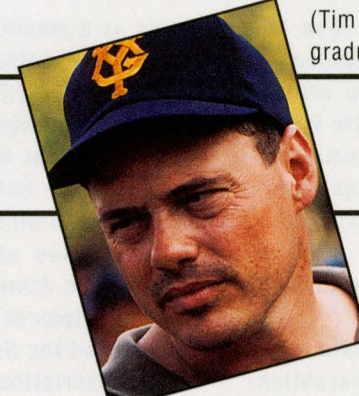
Erin Kelly (BA, recl/chld) and **Christopher Malkin**, December 27, 1997.

Emma Kemp (BA, clas, '95) and **Timothy Campbell** (BA, clas, '96), August 16, 1997.

Crystal Kimonos (BA, psyc, '94) and **Paul Quaranta**, June 8, 1996.

Angie Klages (BA/BE, '94) and **Brent Tower**, July 12, 1997.

Snapshot



Name: Tim Noonan
(Tim has organized a Brock graduate network in Hong Kong)

Brock Degree:
BA in English and Theatre 1991

Place of residence:
Hong Kong

Position: Journalist

What's great about your present job: Travel. I've been lucky enough to see a lot of Asia and Europe over the last seven years. It can get tiring though. I've been to Bangkok about 15 times. It's not exotic anymore, it's just polluted.

Claim to fame: None, really. I've interviewed people like Tiger Woods, Grant Hill and Nobel Peace Prize recipient Ang San Suu Kyi of Burma. But they're famous, I'm not.

Favourite memory of Brock: The theatre festival every March. It was March, wasn't it? For some reason it all seems to be a bit of a blur.

Greatest source of pride: Professionally, seeing pieces I wrote in publications like the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal and the International Herald Tribune. My life is still unfulfilled though, so I guess my greatest source of pride has yet to be achieved.

Childhood career goals: To make it out of the mean streets of Thorold unscathed and to have a career in sports journalism without ever having to write a single word about the Toronto Maple Leafs. So far, so good.

Source of inspiration: My family, my wife Yumi, the Chicago Black Hawks and the San Francisco Giants.

Tamara Koole (BE, '96) and **Vincent Kloosterman**, July 25, 1997.

Kathleen Lewis (BE, '95) and **Mark Prieur**, July 5, 1997.

Pamela Marks (BA/BE, '93) and **Don Schonewille**, August 30, 1997.

Bonnie Martin (BE, '97) and **Kevin Day**, July 26, 1997.

Tracy Masse (BA, soci, '95) and **Derek Hart**, August 23, 1997.

Darren Maurer (BAdmin, '88) and **Lynn White**, January, 24, 1997.

Rosanna Mauro (BA, adm/pol, '92) and **Randy Grims**, May 31, 1997.

Susan McCann (BRLS, '84) and **Marcel Oubin**, September 20, 1997.

Jane Mitchinson (BE, '96) and **Robert Krestiankova**, July 19, 1997.

Denette Moggach (BA, adm/psyc, '94) and **Kraig Anderson**, September 7, 1996.

Shannon Molson (BA/BE, '97) and **Rob Kuepser**, September 27, 1997.

Josephine Muraca (BA, poli, '93) and **Michael Lettieri** (BA, poli, '93), August 17, 1997.

Diana Piovesan (BE, '95) and **Darren Fletcher**.

Heather Rae (BA, psyc, '94) and **Christopher Cooke** (BBA, '92), October 18, 1997.

Julia Robinson (BE, '94) and **Paul McDonald**, December 7, 1997.

Peggy Ryan (BA/BE, '97) and **Terry Sloan**, August 8, 1997.

Heather Simms (BPhEd, '94) and **Steve (Sal) Debus** (BA, adm/pol, '94), August 6, 1995.

Glen Sinclair (BA, Engl, '97) and **Sarah Ruth Ellis**, April, 1997.

Catherine Sleno (BE, '95) and **Darryl Buchanan**, April 20, 1996.

Seana Speirs (BA, chld, '92) and **Shawn Tallon**, May 31, 1997.

Margaret Willans (BA/BE, '94) and **Brian Hildebrandt** (BA, soci, '92), July 22, 1995.

Cheri Wilson (BPhEd, '92) and **Paul (Szczyry) Barwinski** (BE, '93; MEd, '96), August 8, 1997.

IN MEMORIAM

Graeme Barrett (MEd, '80), February 28, 1998. ❖

Brock University Alumni Association Board of Directors 1997-98

The 1997-98 Alumni Association Board of Directors was elected at Homecoming last November. Michael B. Robertson was elected president succeeding Dr. Andy Panko. The Association welcomes three new directors to the Board, including Ted Squires, a member of Brock's first graduating class in 1967, as well as Jim Butko and Michael Zywicki. The Board met for their annual retreat on January 23, 1998.

This year, the Alumni Association was invited to participate in the Planning and Priorities Task Force initiated by Brock President David Atkinson.

"This is a unique opportunity and our contribution to the process can help make Brock a Niagara landmark which reaches far beyond the boundaries of the Niagara Peninsula," said Mr. Robertson.

In the fall, the Alumni Association will be making the first presentation of the CCOVI Student Scholarship. Watch *Surgite!* for details.



The new Alumni Association Board of Directors :

Front (L to R): Andy Panko, BSc, '75; Ted Squires, BSc, '67, MSc, '72; Gary Enskat, Vice President, BA, '78; Beth Natale, BA, '89; Melissa Vadicchino, BA, '92; Jan Robertson, Secretary/Treasurer, BA, '78.

Back (L to R): Scott Maxwell, BA, '88; Michael Robertson, President, BBA, '92; Joe Richardson, BA, '93; Heather Cairnie, BA, '80; Lorie Abernethy, BA, '82; Julie Cairnie, BA, '91; Gail Julie, BSc, '70; Jim Atkinson, BSc, '72; Jim Butko, BAdmin, '79; Michael Zywicki, BSc, '95.

Missing from photo Jay Fiocca, BA '86; Susan Wheler, BA, '83; Ann Crow, BA, '85, BAdmin, '87.

Stained glass wall a tribute to donors

The generosity of more than 100 Brock donors was recognized at the unveiling of a new stained glass wall in the Canadian Tire Bridge between Taro Hall and the Alumni Student Centre. Members of the Silver Mace and Sir Isaac's Table Gift Clubs, who gave major gifts from 1994 to 1996, gathered recently to view the tribute for the first time.

Many of the honoured guests chose to direct their gifts to the establishment of scholarships, bursaries and

awards as a means of ensuring that financial disadvantage is never a barrier to an otherwise gifted student.

With their support, Brock's endowment for student awards has grown by more than \$1 million. Other donors have chosen to direct their gifts toward the acquisition of art, journals and books for the James A. Gibson Library and for equipment for the Department of Music and the Sports Hall of Fame.

The inscription on the new stained glass wall reads: "Surgite! Press on!"

in honour of General Isaac Brock's famous final command to his men at Queenston Heights during the War of 1812.

In thanking those present for their outstanding generosity, President David Atkinson spoke on behalf of all the students, faculty, and staff at Brock, "We are honoured to recognize the generous men, women and organizations who have invested in both our facilities and our people."



Brock President Dr. David Atkinson, right, stands with some of the University friends who gathered March 15 for the unveiling of the new stained glass recognition wall in the Canadian Tire Bridge. From left, Rob Neill, (BSC '75), Pat Neill and Doug Whyte, of Durwood Jones Barkwell and Company.

Thank you for your CCOVI donation

Brock University would like to thank its major donors for the Cool Climate Oncology and Viticulture Institute (CCOVI) Capital Campaign. They include: Vincor International, Vineland Estates Winery, Ted Turner, Donna Lailey, Dr. Donald Ziraldo, Marriott Food Services, Onex Corporation, Scott Laboratories Limited and Lallemand Inc., Jacob and Katharine Hildebrand, Paul Clark, Dr. Raymond Lowes, David Bishop and Jim Warren.

Anyone interested in making a donation to CCOVI should contact Teanna Brown, Campaign Assistant, at 688-5550, ext. 4074.

Brock graduates excel in Canada-wide accounting examinations

Brock University was pleased to announce recently that three graduates Gal Ofir, Jeffrey Fluit, and Bryan Lillycropp placed within the top 15 of more than 1,000 Ontario graduates writing the 1997 Canada-wide Uniform Final Chartered Accountant's Examination.

"This showing clearly demonstrates the quality of our graduates in this program," says Accounting Professor Donald Brown. "We are extremely proud of all our graduates who continue to excel in this demanding program and in the workplace."

Brock's Accounting Co-op program is the second largest in Ontario, with more than 400 students and 80 graduates each year. The program is fully accredited by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario. To write the examination, graduates must be employed in the accounting field.

Completion of the examination is the final step in a unique and demanding program of education, experience and evaluation requirements.

Join us on our new web site

Internet users visiting the University's web site, will notice a new home page and several more web site additions.

The new design, created by the UNIX group in the Computing Services department, was in the works since last September. It is based on a book motif home page,

with the books serving as links to a variety of information sources such as the library, on-campus services, the Registrar's office, news and special events.

"We wanted something that could be downloaded fairly quickly," says Pat Beard, Executive Assistant to the President, who fa-

cilitated the new design. "We also wanted something clean looking that would put people two or three clicks away from where they wanted to go."

Plan to visit our web site at: www.brocku.ca

Memoriams

Warren Hartman

Warren Hartman, Associate Professor and former Chair of the Department of Film Studies, Dramatic and Visual Arts, died on February 11, several days after suffering a massive stroke.

Professor Hartman, who taught in the Department until the fall of 1996, came to Brock in 1970 to design a theatre production and returned in 1972 as Designer in Residence.

Generations of Brock students remember him as an outstanding, inspiring and innovative instructor, and as a warm, supportive presence, one of the most important in their undergraduate education.

Anyone interested can make a donation in his memory to AIDS Niagara or to the Warren Hartman Bursary fund, a matching-funds bursary the Department set up with Warren's help a year ago.

This can be done by cheque, payable to Brock University Warren Hartman Bursary, sent to the Development Office (External Relations).

John Malcolm McEwen

John Malcolm McEwen, BA, MA, PhD (1925-1997), Professor Emeritus in the History Department and former Dean of the Faculty of Humanities, died in Welland Hospital on October 6, 1997.

He came to Brock in 1966, after teaching at the University of Manitoba for several years.

Dr. McEwen was elected chair of the History Department a year after his arrival, until 1971. He served as a member of Senate (1969-1972) (1975-1980), as a Faculty member on the Board of Trustees (1971-1972) and as Dean from 1975-1980. He retired in 1990.

He is well remembered for his integrity, hard work and dedication, as well as a droll and infectious sense of humour.

Dr. Jaan Terasmae

Dr. Jaan Terasmae, Professor Emeritus, Earth Sciences, passed away on January 20.

Dr. Terasmae joined Brock University in 1968 to develop the Department of Geological Sciences with Drs. Peach and Miryneck. As the first Chair of the Depart-

ment, he was instrumental in formulating the undergraduate and graduate programs which focused on Quaternary and Environmental Geology.

In 1977, Dr. Terasmae was the first faculty member at Brock to be elected as a Fellow to the Royal Society of Canada.

He retired from active teaching in 1991.

Tony Biernacki

Tony Biernacki, former Supervisor of Technical Services at Brock University, died Friday, January 9.

Tony came to Brock in 1965, from the National Research Council, in Ottawa, to organize a Machine Shop for the Science Departments.

A competitive rower, Tony started Canada's first women's team at Brock in 1969. Two of his original crew members, Maureen Halpenny and Kathryn Ennor, wrote a letter to Tony in March, unaware he had died. In it they describe his contribution:

"Thanks Tony, your confidence and courage made great memories for us all ... You helped to build your sport — just look at the female Olympic results today."

Nominations open for Athletic Hall of Fame

The second induction of athletes and builders into the Badger Athletic Hall of Fame will take place on Friday, September 25.

As an alumnus, you have an opportunity to submit nominees for induction who satisfy the following criteria: graduates of Brock, student-athletes who competed with distinction for a minimum of two years, and who achieved athletic recognition provincially, nationally or internationally. Candidates shall be considered on athletic performance, sportsmanship and exemplifying the spirit and ideals of Brock University athletes.

Deadline for nominations is July 15.

Please forward nominations and supportive details to: R.M. Davis (Director), Department of Athletic and Recreational Services, Brock University, St. Catharines, Ontario, L2S 3A1.

For more information call 688-5550 and ask for Athletics and Recreation Services. ❖

Brock's Development Manager helps create the ties that bind



Christine Jones

On her business card you read the official title: Christine Jones, Manager, Development and Alumni Affairs. But, after spending a few minutes talking to Christine, there's really just one word to describe what she does. She's a matchmaker who puts a lot of energy into creating bonds between the University and its friends and graduates from the Niagara community, across Canada and other parts of the world.

A significant part of her role, which she assumed in January, is to develop the University's annual giving programs. "You have to match the needs of the donor and the needs of the University," says the former fundraising and communications director of the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority. "It has to be a relationship of mutual benefit."

It's a challenge she enjoys, and as she says, "a thrill to see donors delighted with their investment in the University." She describes the annual giving program as "the life-blood of the University." Annual giving solicitations create an awareness of the University's service to society and a desire among its constituents to support it, Christine adds.

Through annual giving, Brock is developing a strong connection with its graduates. That means focusing on Brock's alumni networks which stretch across the country, as well as around the world — Hong Kong, Singapore and Trinidad and Tobago.

A lot of time is spent reaching out to communities where Brock has grads. "We are asking them to define what role they wish the University to play in their future," Christine says. "We are encouraging them to network and to counsel prospective students who wish to explore what Brock has to offer."

Brock has a life-long interest in the success of its graduates. As for graduates, they can derive long-term benefits from the successful growth of their alma mater.

"It is a relationship well worth our investment," she adds.

Give me 30 seconds of your time!

There are those who say most people simply skim newspapers and other publications and very few read word for word. A reader first looks to photos, headlines and captions. A person may then begin to read some articles. The chance to engage a reader slips away, as the seconds pass.

In this over-communicated environment in which we live, many people are 30-second readers. Half a minute is all you get for all of that hard work — the edits, rewrites, layout adjustments, and struggles over the use of a single word.

I believe that people will spend more time reading a publication if they view the content as important to their information needs. Content is the most critical element to a publication's success as information must be relevant and interesting to the intended audience. As well, an engaging layout will make the material easier to read.

Surgite! is your publication and we hope you enjoy reading each issue.

It is our intention to provide relevant and interesting information for Brock graduates and the wider community we serve. We want to continue to improve *Surgite!* and to better serve our readers. To do this, we need to hear from you. We need to know what's important to you.

To this end, we plan to include a readership survey in the next issue of *Surgite!* Now don't wait for the readership survey, contact me anytime with your comments. Call (905) 688-5550, ext. 3756, or e-mail: mfarrell@spartan.ac.brocku.ca

Be honest, be open and be helpful. I've got to go. My 30 seconds are up.

Mike Farrell
Communications Manager

Pedal power at Cardio Fitness Centre

Olympic medalist Steve Bauer joined Brock President David Atkinson earlier this year to open the new Cardio Fitness Centre.

Located in the physical education complex, the centre features 12 Schwinn "Spinning Cycles," four Tectrix stepping machines, and an upper body egometer with wheelchair accessibility.

"We acquired the new equipment to provide a serious training tool for students and other facility members," said Brian Ker, co-ordinator of fitness and instructional programs.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Château des Charmes' 20th anniversary gala

Château des Charmes holds its 20th Anniversary Gala Dinner on Friday, July 17, at The Château, Niagara-on-the-Lake. Cocktails and Silent Auction are at 7:30 pm, with dinner to follow at 8:30 pm. Tickets are \$125 per person. Proceeds from the gala will go to benefit Brock University's Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute. A tax receipt can be issued for a portion of each ticket sale. Tickets are available by calling Château des Charmes at 262-4219. Further details are available by contacting Brock University, Office of External Relations, 688-5550 (ext. 4320).

Have a swinging time

Join fellow graduates at the Third Annual Golf Tournament, at Sawmill Golf Club, on September 19. Call Lynne in the Alumni Office, by September 8, to register. Be prepared to provide your name, address and telephone number. The fee is \$45 (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.

Register now for a day of fun, a chance to re-acquaint yourself with other graduates and win some excellent prizes.

Alumni making a splash

If you are looking to make a big splash at Homecoming, consider participating in the Second Annual

Badger Swimming Alumni Fun Meet, Saturday, November 7, beginning at 7 pm, at the Eleanor Misener Aquatic Centre. The event is open to former members of Brock's swim team.

For more information contact Herb deBray at: 685-5550, ext. 3596 or e-mail hdebray@arnie.pec.brocku.ca

Two-day Art Symposium scheduled for September

With the generous support of a President's grant and organized by Professor Derek Knight, Director of the Visual Arts Program, Brock University hosts a symposium on public art and site-specific sculpture, September 25 to 26.

The two-day event, which recognizes the contribution of Lutz and Hannelore Teutloff who have donated 10 major sculptures to Brock, features a keynote speaker on the evening of Friday, September 25, and a symposium on the afternoon of Saturday, September 26. Invitations have been extended to prominent members of the arts community, including Ilan Averbuch of New York, who has four works installed on campus. The discussion will focus on the questions associated with public art — a topic of some relevance in Canada.

For more information, please contact Derek Knight, Visual Arts Program, 688-5550, ext. 3214, or 3754, e-mail: dknigh@spartan.ac.brocku.ca

Small world for Brock grads



photo by Kevin Argue

Brock University graduates Patrick Crocco and David DeRose stand outside the Canadian High Commission, at Grosvenor Square, in London, England.

Patrick works in the immigration department of the High Commission, while David is the first secretary in the foreign service. Patrick, a native of Niagara Falls, graduated from Brock in 1991 with a BA in history and politics. David is originally from Thorold and received an Honours BA from Brock in 1982.

Alumnews

Have you moved, received a promotion or changed careers? Do you have other news you want to share? We'd like to hear from you. Tell us where you are and what you are doing!

Name: _____
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Alumni Awards recognize outstanding contributions



The recipients of this year's Brock University Alumni Association awards, from left, Janine Sproul, Joanne Garratt, Leslie Boldt-Irons. They are standing with Gail Julie, chair of the awards committee.

The Brock University Alumni Association recently honoured two students and a professor with awards for their achievements and contributions to the University. The recipients were: Janine Sproul, winner of the Silver Badger Award, for her contribution to Brock's Campus Recreation Program, volunteer work and high academ-

ic standing; Joanne Garratt received the Alumni Association Student Award for her contributions to residence life and student government; and Leslie Boldt-Irons was awarded the Alumni Association Excellence in Teaching Award for her unique ability to motivate students, and her love of both learning and teaching her subject.

Western Canada trip builds upon University's contact with graduates

Two Brock students accompanied President David Atkinson out west this spring to meet with alumni networks as well as students planning to study at the University.

Brock Ambassadors, Maxine Maw and Jennifer Benner had a busy four-day trip that included stops in Victoria, Vancouver, Calgary and Edmonton. It was the first time either student had been to western Canada.

"It was a wonderful experience, just to see Brock graduates and find out where they have taken their lives," they said. "And we met some prospective students and had a chance to tell them that coming to Brock is like being part of a small community — it's like a family."

The Ambassadors play an active role in the University's student alumni program,

which sees undergraduate students working closely with the Office of External Relations on campus services and events. Many continue to work with the office after graduation to bring others together through networking activities.

Brock currently has former Ambassadors sitting on the Executive of the Alumni Association Board and volunteering as network representatives in Ottawa and London.

The University supports networks of graduates in Ottawa, London, Trinidad Tobago, Hong Kong and Singapore. Graduates interested in organizing networks in their area are encouraged to contact the Office of External Relations Alumni Affairs at: (905) 688-5550, ext. 3816.



Brock President David Atkinson, during his visit to the Edmonton network. Front row from left, Dixon Edwards, Shirley Sask, Joanne Edwards, David Atkinson, Roberta Millard, Jen Benner and Ian Dymock. Back row from left, Tom Bremner, Ian Darling, Tara Vida, James Bremner, Guijin Zhang, Teanna Brown and Maxine Maw.

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Don't miss Homecoming '98

Brock University has a variety of events planned for Homecoming '98, November 7. **See you there!**

REUNIONS

- Conference Assistants Class of '68 and '73
- 25th/30th Anniversary Dinner
- BUSAC

EVENTS/HIGHLIGHTS

- Alumni Association Annual General Meeting and election of Board of Directors
- Alumni Hockey
- Alumni Pub
- Basketball Coaching Clinic - Ken Murray
- Co-Ed Volleyball Challenge
- Eleanor Misener Aquatic Centre - Alumni (Family) Fun Swim
- Homecoming Lunch, Alumni Student Centre
- Information Desk, Schmon Tower Lobby
- Men's Basketball Invitational Tournament
- Men's Rugby
- Philosophical Society Symposium