

# BrockNews

A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## First Generation program receives \$150,000 for student 'pioneers'



Jesse Barraza

The Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities has earmarked \$150,000 for Brock University's 2006-2007 First Generation program.

First Generation students are academic pioneers, the first in their immediate families to attend university. The initiative, developed by Student Services, ensures these students experience a smooth transition into their university academic careers.

The ministry provided seed funding of \$85,000 for the 2005-2006 program. The University also received funding to award 10 First Generation students with bursaries of \$2,500 each.

"This important investment will make it easier for these students to receive the kind of education that their families had not experienced in the past," said St. Catharines MPP Jim Bradley. "I know that this funding, along with the excellent learning environment and support services at Brock University, will make their transition to post-secondary education and future employment that much smoother."

Jesse Barraza, First Generation Coordinator, said the overall purpose of the program will be further advanced with the additional ministry funding: "We are here to help ease first generation students into Brock and to create a community where the students feel comfortable and supported."

At Brock, 460 students have self-identified as first generation students. Jill Brindle, Senior Learning Skills Instructor, Student Development Centre, said the additional funding strengthens existing First Generation academic programs.

Among the planned initiatives are:

- Hiring Learning Skills Instructors to provide academic support in the form of one-on-one coaching;
- Organizing small study groups for first generation students;
- Offering assistance in time management or academic pursuits such as essay writing;
- Developing coping strategies for possible academic setbacks;
- Strengthening established partnerships, such as with Services for Students With disABILITIES, Aboriginal Student Services, International Services, SMART Start, Community Connections, the Faculty of Mathematics and Science, and others.
- Reaching out to Niagara high school students to provide information about life at university.

## Human rights advocate named to Order of Ontario



Professor Dorothy Griffiths and Lt.-Gov. James K. Bartleman

Professor Dorothy Griffiths, a recognized leader in services for persons with intellectual disabilities and mental health concerns, was one of 29 people invested into the Order of Ontario by Lt.-Gov. James K. Bartleman at an investiture ceremony on Dec. 20 at Queen's Park.

"It is humbling to receive an award for doing work for which I have great passion. Persons who have an intellectual disability and a mental health challenge represent a neglected group of individuals," said Griffiths, Department of Child and Youth Studies. "I am only one of many individuals and organizations who have been creating awareness for the need for expanded research and changed practice within the social service and mental health fields to better support individuals with this dual challenge."

She added: "I am so honoured that my students and colleagues from the

University and the community would choose to recognize my work by nominating me for such a prestigious award, and further honoured by this recognition from the Province. Many of my colleagues share this recognition with me, for it is our collective efforts that have made a difference."

Frances Owen, Chair, Department of Child and Youth Studies, said: "Dr. Griffiths is a passionately committed scientist practitioner whose work has influenced countless community professionals, people with disabilities, policy makers and students. She is an international pioneer who has never lost sight of local needs. Her commitment to human rights protection and education continues to have a profound influence on the quality of life for people with disabilities."

Adding her congratulations was Marilyn Rose, Dean, Graduate

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## Brock achieves Gold Healthy Living Award

Brock University was honoured on Nov. 29 with a Gold Workplace Health Award from Healthy Living Niagara. The Healthy Living Niagara Workplace Awards Program were established in 1999 to recognize Niagara workplaces that create an environment that encourages, supports and sustains healthy choices for their employees. Brock was recognized for excellence for health and well-being initiatives that meet the needs and interests of employees.

Human Resources and Environment, Health and Safety and Recreation Services collaborated on the submission of the comprehensive application that was developed by the Health and Well-being Advisory Committee. The committee documented the promotion and support of physical activity, healthy eating and smoke-free programs and policies at Brock.

"Brock University is committed to providing leadership and resources to assist its employees in the achievement of their personal health, the development of healthy lifestyles and the maintenance of a vital community by promoting spiritual, emotional, social, intellectual, physical, occupational and environmental health," explained Pauline McCormack, Executive Director of Human Resources and Environment, Health and Safety. "We are thrilled to be recognized for our efforts in the ongoing pursuit of this goal."

The Health and Well-being Luncheon series, one of the many wellness programs available to employees at Brock, continues this year on Wednesday, Jan. 31 in Pond Inlet. For more information about this free event or health and well-being programs at Brock, please go to [www.brocku.ca/oehs/health\\_wellbeing](http://www.brocku.ca/oehs/health_wellbeing)

## 2007 Edutavel Information Night - tonight

An information session on the Edutavel learning vacations planned for 2007 will be held this evening, Wednesday, Jan. 17, at 7 p.m. at Rodman Hall.

All those interested can come and be transported, at least for the evening, to the game reserves and spectacular wildlife of Africa; to magnificent temples of Thailand; to the City of the Tsars, St. Petersburg; and to some of the great cathedrals of Europe, including Westminster Abbey and Westminster Cathedral, among others.

Attendees will have opportunity to meet the trip hosts, fellow travel enthusiasts and enjoy refreshments as information about four of the 2007 trips is offered. Trips being showcased at this session include the *Baltic Cruise*, hosted by Professor Leslie Boldt-Irons, *European Cathedrals* hosted by Professor Hugh Gayler, *Tanzania* hosted by Professor Kojo Saffu and *Thailand and Hong Kong*, hosted by Professor David Brown. Bring a friend - all are welcome!

For more information, please call the Edutavel office at ext. 5188; e-mail: [edutavel@brocku.ca](mailto:edutavel@brocku.ca) or visit [www.brocku.ca/edutavel](http://www.brocku.ca/edutavel)



Below are dates and submission deadlines for Brock News for 2007. Please continue to e-mail submissions to: [campusnews@brocku.ca](mailto:campusnews@brocku.ca)

Publication Date	Submission Deadline	Publication Date	Submission Deadline
Jan. 31	Jan. 19	July 18	July 6
Feb. 14	Feb. 2	Aug. 1	July 20
Feb. 28	Feb. 16	Aug. 15	Aug. 3
March 14	March 2	Aug. 29	Aug. 17
March 28	March 16	Sept. 12	Aug. 31
April 11	March 30	Sept. 26	Sept. 14
April 25	April 13	Oct. 10	Sept. 28
May 9	April 27	Oct. 24	Oct. 12
May 23	May 11	Nov. 7	Oct. 26
June 6	May 25	Nov. 21	Nov. 9
June 20	June 8	Dec. 5	Nov. 23
July 4	June 22	Dec. 19	Dec. 7

## New film resource available at Library

The James A. Gibson Library has recently acquired a copy of the four-volume *Schirmer Encyclopedia of Film*, thanks to the generosity of Professor Barry Grant, Department of Communications, Popular Culture and Film.

Grant served as editor-in-chief of this major work (and also contributed several entries) published by Thomson Gale in 2006. The A-Z encyclopedia is a comprehensive reference set devoted to film studies, with relevance to interdisciplinary studies in areas such as art, literature, history and the social sciences. The work contains 200 topic entries and more than 230 career profiles, and is richly illustrated with 500 images, 150 of which are in colour. More than 100 scholars from 20 countries contributed to the publication. The *Schirmer Encyclopedia of Film* is available in the Reference Collection on the main floor of the Library under the call number PN 1993.45 S35 2007.

## Biology graduate students tops at conference

Graduate students Dawn Hall (Biology) and Dylan Levac (Biotechnology), who work under Professor Vincenzo DeLuca, along with Amanda Rochon (Biotechnology) and Patrick Boyle (Biotechnology), who work under Professor Charles Després, attended the Eastern Regional Meeting of the Canadian Society of Plant Physiologists at McMaster University on Dec. 2. PhD candidate Rochon was awarded the prize for the best oral presentation by a panel of professors from various universities. Her work explains the molecular mechanisms required for the activation of defence genes when plants are exposed to disease-causing micro-organisms. PhD candidate Hall was awarded the honorary mention for her presentation on the production of health-promoting resveratrol found in grape berries and wine.

MSc candidate Levac was awarded the prize for the best poster presentation for his work describing how the rosy periwinkle of Madagascar produces valuable anti-cancer molecules.

## New year, new event for Career Services

Career Services will host the first annual Career and Summer Job Fair on Tuesday, Jan. 23 at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel (located across from the University). This event will host recruiters from various companies and government organizations to showcase their employment and program opportunities to Brock University students and alumni. The Career and Summer Job Fair will provide students with the opportunity to connect with essential employers and gather valuable information required to start discovering and planning a career, and/or to obtain a valuable summer position in the hopes of further developing their résumé.

Opportunities are available in most provinces as well as within the Niagara Region.

For more information please visit <http://www.brocku.ca/career/events/> or contact Career Services at ext. 3242.



Simulated patients now available for students

St. Catharines MPP Jim Bradley touches the chest of a simulated male patient during an open house held on Dec. 18, 2006 to showcase the computerized, human-like simulators purchased by Brock University's Nursing Department. Late in 2005, Brock received funding of \$550,000 from the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care and was able to purchase one infant simulator, a neonatal model, two adult males for critical care and trauma exercises, a nursing mother, and one child. A control room with two-way mirrors was installed to house the computer equipment. Brock also acquired a life-support system, crash cart, drug cart, virtual IVs and other equipment designed to enhance the medical skills of Brock's nursing students in a realistic patient-care environment.

## Unity (1918) – mainstage production



The Department of Dramatic Arts mainstage production will feature *Unity (1918)* by Kevin Kerr. The production is directed by Gyllian Raby, with design by David Vivian, Trevor Hughes and Matt Flawn. Winner of the 2002 Governor

General's Award for Drama, *Unity (1918)* offers audiences insight into a forgotten chapter of Canadian history – the 1918 flu pandemic that killed more people than the First World War. This extraordinary play refuses to bend to sentimentality, revealing instead a dark humour that transcends cynicism to celebrate life in the midst of a small Saskatchewan community facing imminent death. The production will run Feb. 15 and 16 at 7:30 p.m., and Feb. 17 at 2 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Call the Box Office for tickets at ext. 3257 or e-mail [boxoffice@brocku.ca](mailto:boxoffice@brocku.ca)

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Studies. "Professor Griffiths' award is richly deserved. Her work in supporting the human rights of those with developmental disabilities represents a profound contribution to our society."

Rose added, "I am especially respectful of her work with our graduate students in Applied Disability Studies and Child and Youth Studies. The importance of her success in training students who will take the lead in implementing social change in this sector cannot be overstated."

Griffiths has extensive experience in working on clinical issues regarding dual diagnosis – persons who have an intellectual disability and a mental health need. She is a researcher, instructor and mentor who has initiated groundbreaking therapeutic programs such as positive therapeutic approaches for treating persons with severe challenging behaviour.

She is currently involved in research related to the human rights of persons with intellectual disabilities as a leading member of the 3Rs Community-University Research Alliance team from Brock University and the Community Living Associations in Niagara, spearheaded by Community Living Welland Pelham. Griffiths was also one of the founders of Brock's new graduate

program in Applied Disabilities Studies, which has enrolled 60 students in its inaugural year.

Griffiths has been a member and advisory member of three board of directors for associations serving persons with developmental disabilities and mental health challenges: Community Living Welland Pelham, the National Association for Dual Diagnosis and its Ontario chapter. She also serves on the editorial boards for the *Journal of Developmental Disabilities and Developmental Disabilities Bulletin*.

She has co-authored/co-edited several books, including: *Changing Sexually Inappropriate Behavior: A Community-Based Approach for Persons With Developmental Disabilities (1989)*; *An introduction to the mental health needs of person with developmental disabilities (2002)*; *Ethical Dilemmas: Sexuality and Developmental Disabilities (2002)*; *Demystifying Syndromes (2004)* and *Practice Guidelines for Diagnostic, Treatment and Related Support Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities and Serious Behavioral Problems (2006)*.

The Order of Ontario is the province's most prestigious official honour and was created in 1986 by the Government of Ontario to recognize the highest level of individual excellence and achievement in any field.

## Saturday morning robotics program for children

Youth University is once again offering a Saturday Morning Robotics Program for children in Grades 4 to 8. This year's theme is "Medieval Robots."

This six-week motivating program provides a wonderful opportunity for children to engage in a variety of building challenges to address concerns in a medieval society using the Lego Mindstorms™ robots. This series will include five different learning sessions in a University computer lab and the final session will culminate with the students showing off their creations in the Medieval Robotics Fair on Saturday, March 3.

The program runs on Saturday mornings from Jan. 27 through March 3, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. The inclusive cost of \$180 includes lessons, materials, a T-shirt and exciting awards and prizes at the robot fair.

For more information or to register for the program, please contact Youth University at ext. 3120 or [youthuniversity@brocku.ca](mailto:youthuniversity@brocku.ca)

## Focus on Learning Workshops

Sign up today for these free Focus on Learning Workshops by going to: [www.brocku.ca/hr/training](http://www.brocku.ca/hr/training)

### Pension and Benefits 101

Thursday, Jan. 25, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Facilitated by Wanda Fast and Marg Skeoch, Human Resources and Environment, Health and Safety.

If you have questions, we have answers! Bring your queries to this session and leave with the benefits coverage and retirement information you have been looking for.

### Time Management

Monday, Feb. 7, 12 noon to 2:45 p.m.

Facilitated by Jon Eben Field, Student Development Centre

Learn some practical techniques for managing your time for both short-term and long-term goals, including steps on how to approach and realize your goals. Other concepts relating to time, including time-wasters and procrastination, will also be explored.

## Society in Transition series continues Feb. 7

The Faculty of Social Sciences concludes the 2006/07 Society in Transition Lecture series on Wednesday, Feb. 7, with Roberta Jamieson, who will present "Realizing Canada's Promise: Shaping Diversity Into an Inclusive Society," at 8 p.m. in the David S. Howes Theatre. Jamieson is the CEO of the National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation, and former Ombudsman for Ontario. As a Mohawk who has experienced colonialism first hand, and as an ardent activist for an inclusive society that thrives on diversity, Jamieson illustrates the challenges that Canada must face and the fundamental institutional changes required if we are to respond to our changing demographics. This lecture is presented in co-operation with Brock's Tecumseh Centre for Aboriginal Research and Education.

Free tickets are required for this event and can be obtained from the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257.



## Mediatalk

### People in the news

Associate Professor of Chemistry **Jeffrey Atkinson** and fellow members of the department provided calculations for the answer to a *St. Catharines Standard* reader's question: "Tim Hortons' holiday-themed cups show two snowmen holding hot, steaming coffee. Wouldn't their hands melt off? Or would the coffee get cold before that happened?" The question and answer appeared in the "Search Engine" column of the Dec. 9 issue of the newspaper.

Brock men's basketball coach **Ken Murray** was interviewed by the *Hamilton Spectator* for a Dec. 9 story, entitled "Rules change slammed." The article provided reaction from members of the Canadian men's basketball coaches association who object to the adoption of international rules by Canadian Interuniversity Sport men's basketball beginning in the 2007-08 season.

Research on the way that accountants are portrayed in the movies, featuring Associate Professor of Accounting **Sandra Felton** and Tony Dimnik from the Queen's School of Business, recently appeared in the Dec. 11 issue of *Maclean's Magazine* - "Boring No More" - and the Nov. 15 issue of *The Bottom Line* - "Lights, camera,

stereotypes when depicting accountants in movies."

Associate Professor **Atsuko Hashimoto** of the Department of Tourism and Environment was interviewed by The Canadian Press for a wire story about the increasing number of Canadians travelling abroad during the Christmas holiday season. The article was published in numerous newspapers, including: *Victoria Times-Colonist*, "Canadians seeking holiday stress relief heading for the sun"; *Kitchener-Waterloo Record*, "Canadians heading south to avoid holiday fuss"; and *Halifax Daily News*, "Christmas in the Sunshine."

The Dec. 12 issue of the *Welland Tribune* featured an in-depth feature about Faculty of Education Professor Emeritus **Anthony Mollica** receiving the honour of Commander of the Star of Solidarity by the Italian Government, entitled "Molto Bene!" Mollica, who taught methodology courses for French, Italian and Spanish from 1984 to 2003 in the Faculty of Education, received this prestigious award in recognition of the work he has done to promote the Italian language and culture in this country and in North America.

Child and Youth Studies Professor **Dorothy Griffiths**, a recognized leader in services for persons with intellectual disabilities and mental health concerns, was interviewed by the *Welland Tribune*

for a Dec. 15 article about her appointment to the Order of Ontario - "Desire to try." Griffiths was also a guest on the Dec. 22 episode of local radio station 610 CKTB's "Morning Drive" program and interviewed by *Niagara This Week* for a Dec. 22 story - "Order of Ontario 'an enormous honour'."

Professor **Garth Stevenson** from the Department of Political Science was interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a Dec. 16 story about federal Liberal leader Stéphane Dion's pledge to field at least 103 women candidates in the next election, entitled "Local Liberals want top candidate - male or female."

Assistant Professor **Dawn Prentice** from the Department of Nursing was a guest on the Dec. 21 episode of 610 CKTB's "Drive at Five" program where she discussed the results of a Statistics Canada report that says Canadians are living longer and that combined life expectancy for men and women climbed past 80 in 2004.

Professor **Zopito Marini** of the Department of Child and Youth Studies was interviewed by Osprey Media reporter Cheryl Clock for a story about teaching thankfulness to young children, entitled "Being Thankful" that appeared in the Dec. 19 issue of the *St. Catharines Standard* and the Dec. 21 issue of the *North Bay Nugget*.

Department Chair and Associate Professor of Physical Education and Kinesiology **Nota**

**Klentrou** was recently interviewed by the *Toronto Star* for a Dec. 27 article, entitled "Firming up the student body." The article examines how universities and colleges are launching health-promotion campaigns to fight inactivity on campus, ranging from health-focused floors in dorms to wellness fairs to introductory lessons in sports and activities.

**Charles Burton**, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science, recently participated in the following media interviews and appearances:

- Interview with Helen Mann of CBC radio "As It Happens" on Dec. 29 about the White Paper on China's Defence issued by the Government of China.
- Interviewed by Bill Tieleman on Vancouver Radio Station CKNW's "Nightline BC" followed by calls from listeners about the B.C. Government's Pacific Gateway Policy and Human Rights in China broadcast on Dec. 27.
- References to his work quoted on page A6 of the Dec. 6 issue of the *Globe and Mail* for a story, "Yearly talks with China vital, officials say" by Alex Dobrot.

For more in-depth information of Burton's media appearances, including audio clips and links to online articles, please visit: <http://spartan.ac.brocku.ca/~cburton>

## Brock Briefs

### Chancellor's Chair for Research Excellence lecture

Professor Kirill Samokhin, Department of Physics, will present his Chancellor's Chair for Research Excellence lecture on Monday, Jan. 29 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at Alphi's. The title of the lecture is "Exotic Superconductivity: Heavy Fermions, HTSC, and All That." All are welcome to attend. For more information, call ext. 4315.

### MEd theses defences

Master of Education student, Kerry Marsh, will present her thesis defence, entitled "An Exploration of Gifted and Highly Able Adolescents' Experiences with Stress and Coping," on Tuesday, Jan. 30 at 10:30 a.m. in WH 147. Thesis Supervisor: Sandra Bosacki; External Examiner: Maurice

Feldman, Brock University; Committee Members: Michelle McGinn and Alice Schutz; Chair, Examining Committee: Joe Engemann.

Master of Education student, Jane Lemke, will present her thesis defence, entitled "An Exploratory Study of Nurses' Perceptions of their Action Learning Experience," on Wednesday, Jan. 31 at 2 p.m. in WH 147. Thesis Supervisor: Alice Schutz; External Examiner: Lynn Rempel, Brock University; Committee Members: Patrick O'Neill and Denise Paquette-Frenette; Chair, Examining Committee: Mary-Louise Vanderlee. All are welcome to attend.

### MSc thesis defence

Physics student Sara Sadeghi will present her thesis defence, entitled "Order and membrane organization in chlorhexidine-lipid mixtures," on Wednesday, Jan. 17 at 3 p.m. in AS 217. Examining Chair, Examining Committee: Fereidoon Razavi; External Examiner: Klaus Gawrisch, Section Chief,

National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, National Institutes of Health; Thesis Supervisor: Ed Sternin; Committee Members: Steve Hartman, Kirill Samokhin.

### Graduate student addresses obesity

Sally Baerg, an Applied Health Science graduate student, recently delivered a talk related to the dangers of obesity-related health problems encountered by adolescents. Entitled "Healthy Lifestyles and Obesity," Baerg's presentation was addressed to fellow AHSC 5P00 students, AHS faculty members, as well as to the Grade 7 class at Port Weller School via interactive video and data conference. District School Board of Niagara senior officials were in attendance and lauded the initiative.

### Walk@Brock

This campus-wide walking program is available to faculty, staff and students. Participants are encouraged to walk daily on or off campus and report monthly totals. A graph identifying personal distance is compared to other participants in the program. Group walks are scheduled throughout the winter months.

To register, drop by the Welcome Desk in the Walker Complex on Wednesday, Jan. 17 or 24 between 12 noon and 1 p.m. Registration includes a log sheet to track distance, Brock University walking maps (indoor and outdoor) and information on warming up and cooling down.

For more information contact [walkatbrock@brocku.ca](mailto:walkatbrock@brocku.ca)

# Rock opera *Tommy* on stage at Brock

An amazing journey will be taken as Brock's Student Musical Theatre Troupe (BSMTT) presents *The Who's Tommy* at the David Howes Theatre. Performances will run from Jan. 18 to 21.

Winner of five Tony Awards, Pete Townsend's electrifying and enthralling tale of a young boy's journey from tragedy to triumph turns one of rock's timeless albums into an unforgettable musical experience. This exhilarating story of hope, healing and the human spirit is filled with hit songs like "Pinball Wizard," "See Me, Feel Me," "I'm Free," and many more.

The BSMTT is a student organization committed to bringing quality musical theatre

to Brock University and the Niagara Region. This is its second production following the success of *Jesus Christ Superstar* (2006). Proceeds from *Tommy* will benefit the Mike Holmes Heron Memorial Scholarship Fund. For more information about BSMTT, visit its website at [www.brockmusical.com](http://www.brockmusical.com)

Performances will run Thursday, Jan. 18, Friday, Jan. 19 and Saturday, Jan. 20 at 8 p.m. Matinee performances will be held on Saturday, Jan. 20, and Sunday, Jan. 21 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$9 for students and seniors, and are available for purchase at the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257, or online at [www.brockmusical.com](http://www.brockmusical.com)



Members of the 2006 United Way campaign committee gathered in the lobby of the Schmon Tower for a closing celebration in December. Pictured, from left, are: Rosemary Hale, Al Ross, Beth Natale, Mike Farrell, Karen Merritt and Kevin Lawr.

We would like to thank the many people who supported this year's United Way campaign. Your caring and generous donations have made the campaign a success, with a total of \$88,250 raised for the United Way!

The amount that we have raised, when combined with the amounts raised in many workplaces throughout the community, will enable a great

many of our friends and neighbours to surmount the difficult challenges they may encounter during the coming year.

Once again, thank you everyone for your support!

Your 2006 United Way Campaign Co-Chairs,

- Rosemary Hale and Al Ross

## Faculty and Staff

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

**Elizabeth Sauer** co-organized and co-chaired "The New Milton Criticism" with Peter Herman at the Convention of the Modern Language Association, Philadelphia, Penn., in December 2006. Sauer delivered "Milton Criticism and the Poetics of Nationhood" in this special session.

### GEOGRAPHY

**Christopher Fullerton** delivered an invited presentation, entitled "Quality Matters: Promoting Community Revitalization in Rural and Remote Settings," at the Economic Developers Council of Ontario Regional Update in Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. on Oct. 12, 2006.

### MATHEMATICS

**Chantal Buteau** participated in the 17th International Commission on Mathematical Instruction (ICMI) Study, entitled "Digital Technologies and Mathematics Teaching and Learning: Revisiting the Terrain," from Dec. 3 to 8 at University of Technology of Hanoi, Vietnam. Based on the paper, entitled "Evolving technologies integrated into undergraduate mathematics education," **Eric Muller** and Buteau received an invitation to participate in study conference. Buteau took part on behalf of Muller, and gave a presentation "Examples of Undergraduate Student Achievement in a Technological Learning Environment" about the innovative and successful use of technology in mathematics instruction at Brock.

**Buteau** also gave a presentation, entitled "Mathematics Summer Camps at Brock University," in the monthly Fields Mathematics Education Forum that took place at the Fields Institute, Toronto, on Nov. 25, 2006 at the thematic day "Mathematics outside the classroom."

### MUSIC

**Timothy White** was trumpet soloist in a performance of Handel's "Messiah" at St. Patrick's Basilica, Ottawa, Ont. in December 2006. Prior to that, he played with the Durham Philharmonic Choir in a performance of "Bach's Magnificat" at St. George's Anglican Church in Oshawa, Ont.

**Harris Loewen** performed as baritone soloist in two recent seasonal events; the first was a program of early music (12th to 17th centuries) entitled "In Nativitatem," directed by Holly Gwynne-Timothy and presented at Ridley College, St. Catharines, on Dec. 22, 2006; the second event was a performance of solo works by Peter Cornelius at an epiphany service at St. George's Anglican Church, St. Catharines, on Jan. 7.

### ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOUR, HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND ETHICS

**Kojo Saffu** was invited to speak at the Caribbean Women's Enterprise and Entrepreneurship Conference at the Crowne Plaza, Port of Spain, Trinidad, from Nov. 16 to 17, 2006. The title of Saffu's paper was "Women Entrepreneurs: The Ghanaian Experience."

### PRE-SERVICE, FACULTY OF EDUCATION

**Ruth McQuirter Scott** was a featured expert in a recent Curriculum Services Canada webcast focusing on reading comprehension. As a result of the work she shared through this webcast, the Literacy and Numeracy Secretariat of the Ontario Ministry of Education has invited McQuirter Scott to write and present a paper for an upcoming research and policy forum. This paper will further explore the strong, positive association that has been found in the relationship between word study and reading comprehension.

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## Events

**Centre for the Arts:** All performances begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise noted. For tickets and more information, please call the Box Office at ext. 3257, or visit [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca)

Upcoming performances include: Second City Theatricals: Sex and The Second City (SOLD OUT!), Jan. 17; Songwriters' Circle with Andy Kim, Tal Bachman, Joel Kroeker and Jamie Oakes, Jan. 20; The Blind Boys of Alabama with Tomi Swick, Jan. 24; Colin James and The Little Big Band 3 with Michael Kaeshammer (SOLD OUT!), Jan. 31; Classic Albums Live: The Beatles - Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band, Feb. 1; The Arrogant Worms with The Polyjesters, Feb. 21.

**Brock University Film Society (BUFS):** The BUFS program continues on Jan. 21 with one of the most talked-about movies of the year, *Death of a President* (aka DOAP), winner of the International Critics Award at the 2006 Toronto International Film Festival. On Jan. 28, take another look at Truman Capote in Douglas McGrath's *Infamous*. The star-studded and award-winning cast includes Toby Jones, Sandra Bullock, Daniel Craig, Jeff Daniels, Gwyneth Paltrow and Sigourney Weaver. On Feb. 4, acclaimed documentary filmmaker Barbara Kopple teams up with Cecilia Peck for *Shut Up and Sing*, a film about the ramifications of Dixie Chick's singer Natalie Maines' infamous remark: "We're ashamed that the President of the United States is from Texas." For updates on the screenings for Feb. 11, March 4, 11, 18, and 25, and April 1, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/cpcf](http://www.brocku.ca/cpcf) and click on "links." Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance through the Brock Centre for the Arts Box Office. Prices are \$6 for BUFS members and students, \$8 for non-members. Memberships are also available through the Centre for the Arts. Call Amanda Bishop at ext. 3553 for more information.

**ENCORE!** The Department of Music's Professional Concert Series continues on Friday, Jan. 19 with "The Beethoven Experience" featuring Jonathan Crow, violin and Jane Coop, piano who will collaborate in examples from this magnificent set of Beethoven's chamber music masterworks - the 10 Sonatas for Violin and Piano. Sean O'Sullivan Theatre, 7:30 pm. Tickets available through the Box Office, ext. 3257.

**Department of Classics:** Professor Nicola Terrenato, Department of Classics, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, will present a public lecture on Sunday, Jan. 21, at 3 p.m., in AS 215, entitled "The making of Roman landscapes in Central Italy. An appraisal of the new evidence." This event is free of charge and everyone is welcome to attend. The lecture is sponsored by the Department of Classics and the Niagara Peninsula Society of the Archaeological Institute of America (AIA). For more information, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/classics](http://www.brocku.ca/classics), or contact Fran Meffe in the Department of Classics, at ext. 3575.

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**For Sale:** Ladies golf items. Datrek taupe golf bag; Tee Mate Turfrider pull cart (gold/black); Three Brooks medium shirts; black head-covers; titanium driver. Excellent condition (used one season). A \$500 value for \$175. Call 905-732-1885 for more information. Please leave message.

**For Rent:** Basement bachelor apartment, located four minutes from Brock in Confederation Heights/Thorold area. \$550 per month includes cable/utilities/washer/dryer use and parking. Call 905-680-7895 for more information.



# BrockNews

A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## Construction of Plaza2006 in final phase

Plaza2006, Brock University's new "front door," is nearing completion.

Many offices are furnished and ready for occupation, concrete floors are polished, wood cladding hugs the interior walls and light pours in through massive windows even during a bleak winter day.

At the same time, dust blankets surfaces and the sounds of construction fill the air as tradespeople work to complete the unfinished areas by the end of February.

Plaza2006 is a \$22.6-million complex under construction on the east side of the Alumni Student Centre. The five-storey, 86,000-square-foot building will redefine Brock's front entrance and house a diversity of "addresses."

The ground floor will contain a significantly expanded University Bookstore and a direct link to the Alumni Student Centre. The second and third floors will house the departments of Economics and Political Science, computer labs, classrooms and seminar rooms, and also will link to the student centre on the second floor. The upper two floors will contain research facilities for the Lifespan Development Research Centre (LDRC), a complex unique in Canada.

Terry Boak, Provost and Vice-President, Academic, said Plaza2006 "sets a high standard for buildings and provides another vision of how space can be developed."

The facility's design pays attention to the fact that students today have different learning styles from in the past, said Boak. "In my day, students went to the library and worked in private. Today, many students enjoy learning in social environments. Plaza2006, with its emphasis on inviting and stimulating spaces for student gatherings, accommodates learning in both group interaction and individual pursuits."

The LDRC is a collaborative effort between various academic departments, providing a centralized location of expertise to study how development occurs across the human lifespan. It will bring together more than 50 faculty members and 40 community organizations to better understand issues ranging from infant development and teen gambling to questions of changes in cognition and health in aging.

"The building is coming along very quickly now," says Professor Sid Segalowitz, Psychology, one of the driving forces behind the LDRC project. "The initial move or occupancy is planned for late February, although the process of setting up the new labs may continue after that for a few weeks. We have been taking Lifespan researchers through during the construction to see the centre, and there is a lot of excitement about the new facilities."

Trudy Lockyer, Director, Bookstore Operations, says the key to a successful move to the new facility is to be well organized.

"Each section in the current Bookstore will be packed and labelled and then taken to the new site's corresponding section, which will have been labelled well in advance of the move," she says.

Lockyer estimates it will take about two weeks to organize the new site before the actual transfer takes place.

The new home of the Bookstore and LDRC showcases structural components such

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## Brock students bring home wine tasting honours



From left, students Jakub Lipinski, Rhiannon Plant, Amy Blake and Barclay Robinson

The results for the third annual Wine Tasting Challenge have just been released and Brock University students in grape and wine studies have taken four of the top eight placements. In a competing field of almost 200 of the top sommeliers, wine professionals and amateur wine enthusiasts in Canada, Brock's contingent came through strong.

In the very competitive professional category, Jakub Lipinski, Brock University business major and Canadian Association of Professional Sommeliers (sponsored by CCOVI) sommelier student, came in second. Lipinski, in addition to his current wine studies, comes from a local wine family and completed the Brock University, "Introduction to Wine" course with honours.

In the newly introduced spirits round, Brock oenology and viticulture student and professional sommelier Barclay Robinson took top honours with a first-place finish. The spirits round was especially challenging as it came at the end of the hour-long test. Due to his excellent training and experience, Robinson was able to keep his palate fresh throughout the challenge.

In the special amateur category where up-and-coming wine professionals are allowed to compete, two Brock students placed second and

third. Amy Blake, oenology and viticulture graduate student in Professor Gary Pickering's lab, garnered second place. Blake's studies at Brock are a continuation of her academic work, which included top honours in the grape and wine studies program. Securing a strong third-place finish was oenology and viticulture undergraduate student Rhiannon Plant. She was thrilled by her placement and is already looking forward to next year's competition.

"We are so proud of our students' placements," said Isabelle Lesschaeve, Director of the Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute at Brock. "As the administering and auditing body of this very important competition, we at CCOVI ensure a rigorous and equitable challenge. It was wonderful to see our students rise above the stiff competition. I believe that these results once again reflect the strength of our grape and wine studies program."

The Wine Tasting Challenge took place on Nov. 27, 2006 in the Air Canada Club of the Air Canada Centre in Toronto, Ont. The total purse is more than \$80,000 in cash and prizes. For more information on the Wine Tasting Challenge and a complete listing of all the winners, please visit: [www.winetastingchallenge.com](http://www.winetastingchallenge.com)

## Advisory Committee, reappointment of Dean, Mathematics and Science

Dr. Ian Brindle is in the final year of his current appointment as Dean of the Faculty of Mathematics and Science. An Advisory Committee has, therefore, been struck, comprising the following:

Terry Boak, (Chair) Provost and Vice-President, Academic  
 Jeffrey Atkinson, Chemistry  
 Doug Bruce, Biological Sciences  
 Stefan Brudzynski, Psychology  
 Branden Fonovic, Student (Biochemistry)  
 Martin Head, Earth Sciences  
 Gail Higenell, (Staff) CCOVI  
 Sheridan Houghten, Computer Science  
 Yuanlin Li, Mathematics  
 Maureen Reedyk, Physics

Dean Brindle has indicated that he wishes to stand for reappointment for another term (normally five years), effective July 1, 2007. Accordingly, the Advisory Committee is proceeding to evaluate the performance of the incumbent pursuant to the Review Process outlined in the *Brock University Handbook* I: 6.3.3. For this purpose, members of the University community are invited to make submissions in writing to the Office of the Provost and Vice-President, Academic, c/o Ms. Lise Laroche, by Friday, Feb. 16. No anonymous submissions will be accepted. However, all submissions will be edited to remove any information, which might identify the writer, before they are provided to the Advisory Committee for review. The Advisory Committee looks forward to receiving your submissions.

In addition, members of the community are welcome to meet with the Advisory Committee to make personal presentations. If you wish to meet with the committee, please contact Lise Laroche (ext. 4121) by Feb. 12 so that a specific appointment can be scheduled.

Dean Brindle's CV is available for review through the Office of the Vice-President, Academic, and is on reserve at the James A. Gibson Library.

The next five years will continue to be challenging ones for Brock University as it addresses in a comprehensive way the growth and changes experienced at the University. The Dean of the Faculty of Mathematics and Science will be expected to provide critical leadership to the Faculty during this period. Particular challenges include addressing the need for research space for faculty, the recruitment and retention of faculty and staff, the promotion and support of scholarly activities of faculty, the recruitment of students to Faculty programs at both the undergraduate and graduate levels, the advocacy of the academic and support needs of students, and the ongoing development of the overall strategic directions of both the Faculty of Mathematics and Science and the University.

The deliberations of the Advisory Committee are strictly confidential and only the Chair is authorized to answer questions about the Committee's proceedings. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding confidentiality or any other matter involving the Committee.

- Terry Boak, Provost and Vice-President, Academic

## President's Community Luncheon in Welland

President Jack Lightstone will address members of the Welland/Pelham Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, Feb. 28, as part of a series of community visits. The luncheon meeting, also open to the public, will be held at Hunter's Pointe Golf Course, 289 Daimler Parkway, in Welland. Reservations (\$25 per person) are available by contacting Christine Alic at ext. 3245 or e-mail: [calic@brocku.ca](mailto:calic@brocku.ca)

## Proposal deadline looming for research event

The deadline to submit proposals for oral presentations and posters at a leading research event at Brock is fast approaching.

Brock graduate students and faculty wishing to participate in the second-annual Mapping the New Knowledges conference, which will be held Tuesday, April 10 and Wednesday, April 11 at Pond Inlet, must submit their proposals by Monday, Feb. 5, 12 noon.

Marilyn Rose, Dean, Graduate Studies, said the conference is a tremendous opportunity to showcase and celebrate Brock's research initiatives and to familiarize graduate students with a professional process by which knowledge is disseminated.

Brock President Jack Lightstone will deliver the keynote address at 7 p.m. on April 10 and Dr. Noreen Golfman, president of the Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences, will deliver the plenary address at 9 a.m. on April 11.

Last year's conference highlighted the cutting-edge research of more than 80 Brock graduate students and faculty members, and featured topics that varied from workplace well-being to politics and the pharmaceutical industry.

The cross-disciplinary event features research from all six of the University's academic Faculties: Applied Health Science, Business, Education, Humanities, Mathematics and Science, and Social Sciences.

To submit a proposal online, please go to [www.brocku.ca/gradstudies/](http://www.brocku.ca/gradstudies/) and follow the links.

## Graduate students to be surveyed

On Monday, Feb. 12, more than 1,200 Brock graduate students will be invited to participate in a survey that asks them about their activities and what they feel they are gaining from their university experiences overall. The Canadian Graduate and Professional Survey (CGPSS) is being conducted across Canada at many major universities (including all of the Ontario institutions) with the expectation that this study will result in improved educational experiences for both current and future students.

The web-based survey takes approximately 20 minutes to complete and all responses will be kept confidential. Once the data are returned to Brock, all identifying information will be removed before any analyses are done.

This exercise is part of the continuing efforts to assess and improve the quality of the educational experience at Brock. Last year, the National Survey on Student Engagement (NSSE) was implemented to assess the undergraduate experience.

For more information about these surveys, contact Patrick Beard in the Office of Academic Reviews and Planning at [pbeard@brocku.ca](mailto:pbeard@brocku.ca) or ext. 4082.



Scott Walker, Facilities Management, stands in the new Plaza2006 building last week.

### Construction of Plaza2006...continues from page 1.

as ductwork, a visible element of the design. Integral to the project are the exterior materials: copper cladding, Niagara Escarpment stone, and the liberal use of glass. The interior of the building features wood, a warming element, in social gathering places, polished concrete floors and more escarpment stone.

Project design architect Brian Mackay-Lyons of Mackay-Lyons Sweetapple Architects Ltd. in Halifax has described Plaza2006 as a systems facility of "frugal beauty."

The contractor for Plaza2006 is Merit Contractors Niagara, which is headquartered in St. Catharines.

## 2007 Holiday Schedule

The University will be observing the following statutory and non-statutory holidays in 2007:

Monday, Jan. 1, 2007	New Year's Day (statutory holiday)
Friday, Feb. 23	President's Holiday (non-statutory holiday)
Friday, April 6	Good Friday (statutory holiday)
Monday, May 21	Victoria Day (statutory holiday)
Friday, June 29 & Monday, July 2*	Canada Day (non-statutory holiday)
Monday, Aug. 6	* Substitute day for statutory holiday
Monday, Sept. 3	Civic Holiday (non-statutory holiday)
Monday, Oct. 8	Labour Day (statutory holiday)
Commencing Friday, Dec. 21, 2007 at the end of regular business (i.e. 4:30 p.m.) until regular opening on Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2008 (i.e. 8:30 a.m.)	Thanksgiving Day (statutory holiday)
	Christmas and New Year's Day Holiday Period
	Three statutory holidays and four Non-Statutory Holidays

Please note that depending on the operational needs of a Department/Division, it may require that the area be open during the above-mentioned days. In these cases and/or if there are any other questions, please contact Margo Carter in Human Resources and Environment, Health and Safety at ext. 3279; e-mail: [mcarter@brocku.ca](mailto:mcarter@brocku.ca)

An electronic copy of the holiday schedule may be found and printed from the Payroll Section (Holiday Information Subsection) of the Human Resources and Environment, Health and Safety Departmental webpage at: [www.brocku.ca/hr](http://www.brocku.ca/hr)

## Honouring Sodexo employees



On Jan 24, Sodexo honoured its employees at the 14th annual Service Awards Dinner at Pond Inlet. The evening brought together Sodexo employees who have served the Brock community for five, 10, 15, 20 and 25 years. Recognized for their years of service were: 20 years - Rosella Auger; 10 years - Victoria Mitchell; Five years - Jadwiga Sabljic, Costanza Riselli, Phyllis Keenan, Maria Savoia, Ewa Konarzewska, Michelle Rondeau, Tammy Winger, Adam Wood, Margaret Miller, Rosalind Phillips, and Angela Pye.

## African Heritage Month celebrations

The following keynote events are taking place in February as part of African Heritage Month celebrations:

- "Pan-Africanism Today: Pedagogical Possibilities and the Implications for African/Black Education"  
Dr. George J. Sefa Dei  
Monday, Feb. 12, 12 noon to 1:30 p.m.  
Pond Inlet  
Dr. George J. Sefa Dei is Professor and Chair, Department of Sociology and Equity Studies at OISE/University of Toronto. He was the first Director of the Centre for Integrative Anti-Racism Studies. Dr. Dei's published works include: *Anti-Racism Education: Theory and Practice* and the co-authored books *Inclusive Schooling; A Teacher's Companion to 'Removing the Margins'*, *African Education and Globalization: Critical Perspectives*, and *Schooling and Difference in Africa: Democratic Challenges in Contemporary Context*. Along with countless awards, he is also the recipient of the 2006 Planet Africa Renaissance Award.

- "We're Standing on Their Shoulders: Black Women in History"  
Evelyn Myrie  
Wednesday, Feb. 7 from 1 to 3 p.m.  
The Norval Johnson Heritage Library, 5674 Peer St., Niagara Falls

Myrie is a columnist at the *Hamilton Spectator*, a social development consultant, an art collector and an active co-chair of the Rev. John C. Holland Awards. She is a woman who encourages equality and justice around her community. Myrie also owns her own Art Store in Hamilton, "Eman Fine Arts & Accents," which has a range of collections from Ghana, Nigeria, Ivory Coast, Togo and South Africa.

For a full listing of events, including cooking demonstrations, film presentations, and other celebrations, visit: [www.brocku.ca/brockinternational](http://www.brocku.ca/brockinternational)

## New resource explores history of the Centre for the Arts

A new resource entitled "The Centre for the Arts, Brock University fonds 1969-2007 finding aid" is now available from the Special Collections page of the James A. Gibson Library at [www.brocku.ca/library/spcl/centreats.pdf](http://www.brocku.ca/library/spcl/centreats.pdf)

The "Centre for the Arts, Brock University fonds" is an important addition to the Brock University archives as it documents not only the history of a cultural venue but the growth of a region-wide cultural institution.

The fonds consists of many interesting items from the earliest performances held on the stage of the former Thistle Theatre, now the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre, to current glossy and professionally produced publicity items and promotional material. It also includes more than 200 posters that were used to promote performers and performances, scrapbooks, programs, correspondence, photographs, video and more.

Centre for the Arts staff have been diligent in forwarding their archival material to Special Collections and Archives on a regular basis. Without their care and attention to saving this valuable material, this resource would not be available to the Brock community.

For more information, visit Special Collections and Archives on the 10th floor of the James A. Gibson Library.



## Mediatalk People in the news

**Keith Tinkler**, Professor and Chair of the Department of Earth Sciences, was interviewed for a story that appeared in the December 2006 issue of *Reader's Digest*. The story, entitled "My Children Saved My Life" recounts the details of an incident where a woman fell through the ice on the Welland River. In the article, Tinkler comments on some of the factors affecting the temperature of the water, which may have accounted for it not freezing over.

Associate Professor of Psychology, **Kimberly Cote**, was recently interviewed by Toronto-based *Glow Magazine* for a story, "Sleeping Beauty," that appeared in the publication's December 2006 issue. In the article, Cote discusses some of the drawbacks associated with poor sleep and sleeping habits.

Associate Dean of Graduate Programs in the Faculty of Business, **Don Cyr**, recently published an opinion piece, entitled "In Defense of the MBA: 100 years later the MBA still makes sense," in the December 2006 issue of *Business Niagara Magazine*.

**Elizabeth Horseley**, Nursing Learning Resource Centre Co-ordinator; **Lynn Rempel**, Assistant Professor and Chair of the

Department of Nursing; and Dean of Applied Health Sciences, **John Corlett**, were interviewed by *Niagara This Week* for a story about the department's new computerized human-like clinical simulators at its open house on Dec. 18. The article, "New Brock 'patients' bring medicine to life," appeared in the Dec. 29 edition of the newspaper.

Research conducted by Assistant Professor of Psychology **Cameron Muir** and graduate student Justin Carre on the testosterone levels in hockey players was featured in the January 2007 issue of *Psychology Today*. The article, "The Home Team Advantage," is available online at: [www.psychologytoday.com/articles/pt-20061227-000001.html](http://www.psychologytoday.com/articles/pt-20061227-000001.html)

Dean of Applied Health Sciences **John Corlett** was interviewed by *University Affairs Magazine* for a story about pandemic planning on university campuses, entitled "Preparing for the Pandemic," which appeared in the publication's January 2007 issue. The article is available online at: [www.universityaffairs.ca/issues/2007/january/pandemic\\_01.html](http://www.universityaffairs.ca/issues/2007/january/pandemic_01.html)

**Kate Cassidy**, Director of Community Adventure Training initiatives (CATI) and Youth University, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Jan. 2 feature story, "Simply Inspiring," in which creative individuals from Niagara were

asked to share their simple, inspirational ideas for making life better.

Professor of Economics **Mohammed Dore** was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a story about December 2006 being the warmest on record for the region, shattering a 24-year-old record set in 1982. The Jan. 3 article, entitled "December warmest on record in Niagara," was also published in the *Welland Tribune*, "Confusing Time," and *Niagara Falls Review*, "Light winter surprises weatherman."

Dean of Business **Martin Kusy** was a guest on the Jan. 6 edition of CHTV's *Niagara Express* program (repeated on Jan. 7). Kusy was interviewed about the growth of Brock's business school and its growing reputation.

Assistant Professor of Nursing **Heather Lee Kilty** was interviewed about her experience hiking the Himalayas to celebrate her 50th birthday for a story, "Climb the Mountain," which was published in the *St. Catharines Standard*, *Welland Tribune*, *Niagara Falls Review* and *Brantford Expositor*. The article also highlighted Kilty's lecture, "Emotional Energy in your 50s," which was presented at the second annual Women's Wellness Speaker Series, a fundraiser for the St. Catharines General Hospital Foundation, on Jan. 22.

Associate Professor **Mohamed Ayadi** from the Department of Finance, Operations, and Information Systems was interviewed by the *Globe and Mail* for an article that appeared in the Investing section of the newspaper's Jan. 16 edition, entitled "Foreign market funds are back on investors' radar screens."

Assistant Professor of Sport Management **Craig Hyatt** was interviewed by the *National Post* for a Jan. 20 article, "Marketers crazy for Crosby's wild side," in which he discusses the marketability of the Pittsburgh Penguins' all-star rookie player Sidney Crosby.

**Charles Burton**, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science, recently gave the following media interviews and appearances:

- Authored a letter, "Confucius confusion," which was published in the *Globe and Mail* on Jan. 2, on page A12.
- References to his work and views quoted in an article, "No More Mr. Nice Guy: The federal government's hard line on human rights in China incites pro-democracy friends and business foes," published in the Dec. 18 issue of the *Western Standard*.

For more in-depth information of Burton's media appearances, including audio clips and links to online articles, please visit: <http://spartan.ac.brocku.ca/~cburton>

## Society in Transition series continues Feb. 7

The Faculty of Social Sciences concludes the 2006/07 Society in Transition Lecture series on Wednesday, Feb. 7, with Roberta Jamieson, who will present "Realizing Canada's Promise: Shaping Diversity Into an Inclusive Society," at 8 p.m. in the David S. Howes Theatre. Jamieson is the CEO of the National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation, and former Ombudsman for Ontario. As a Mohawk who has experienced colonialism first hand, and as an ardent activist for an inclusive society

that thrives on diversity, Jamieson illustrates the challenges that Canada must face and the fundamental institutional changes required if we are to respond to our changing demographics. This lecture is presented in co-operation with Brock's Tecumseh Centre for Aboriginal Research and Education.

Free tickets are required for this event and can be obtained from the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257.

## Brock Briefs

### Focus on Learning Workshops:

A workshop, entitled "Respect: How to Give it and Get it" will be offered on three different dates: Thursday, Feb. 1 from 1 to 4 p.m.; Monday, Feb. 5 from 1 to 4 p.m.; and Tuesday, Feb. 13 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. All sessions will take place in the After Hours Lounge, Earp Residence.

This interactive workshop will introduce Brock's new Respectful Work and Learning Environment Policy and what it means. Participants will learn:

- What is a respectful work and learning environment?
- Tools and techniques for creating a respectful work and learning environment
- How to take responsibility for your own power, privilege and behaviour
- What are discrimination, harassment and bullying?
- How to respond to discriminating, harassing or bullying behaviour
- Rights, responsibilities and procedures under the new policy
- The role of the Office of Human Rights and Equity Services

To register for this workshop, and to find out about others that are offered in the coming weeks, please go to [www.brocku.ca/hr/training/focus/](http://www.brocku.ca/hr/training/focus/)

### Food! Food! Food!

The Office of International Services cordially invites all faculty and staff to cooking demonstrations from the following countries during the month of February:

- Feb. 1 from 12 noon to 1 p.m. - Ghana (African Heritage Month)
- Feb. 5 from 1 to 2 p.m. - Honduras (International Development Week)
- Feb. 13 from 1 to 2 p.m. - Cayman Island/ Jamaica (African Heritage Month)
- Feb. 26 from 1 to 2 p.m. - Congo (African Heritage Month)

Please note that enrolment is limited to 10 people. Please call ext. 3163 to make a reservation, or visit: [www.brocku.ca/brockinternational](http://www.brocku.ca/brockinternational) for more information.

### Research participants wanted

The Family Relations Lab is looking for participants for a project that examines the types of help and support that are

exchanged between older mothers and adult daughters. Interviews take 2.5 hours and each woman is paid \$40. Daughters must live within 100 km of their mother. Mothers must be at least 65 years of age and living alone in their own homes. Please contact the lab (ext. 4996) for further information. This project has been cleared by the Brock Research Ethics Board (File #04-294).

### MA thesis defense

An MA thesis defence for Erin Kaipainen, Social Justice and Equity Studies Program, will be held on Monday, Feb. 12th, at 10 a.m. in WH 147. The title of the thesis is: "Graffiti, Memory and Contested Space: Mnemonic Initiatives following Trauma and/or Repression in Buenos Aires, Argentina." Thesis Supervisor: Michael Ripmeester; External Examiner: Roger Simon, OISE/ University of Toronto; Committee Member: Ana Isla. All are welcome.

### New photography exhibit at Rodman Hall

Rodman Hall Arts Centre is currently hosting a collection entitled "Iain Baxter&: Passing Through: Photographs, 1958-1983." Baxter& has recently changed his name to include the ampersand.

The exhibition is curated by James Patten and organized and circulated by the Art Gallery of Windsor. The exhibition, which runs until March 24, will feature a panel discussion with Art Gallery of Windsor curator James Patten, Brock University Professor Derek Knight and Iain Baxter&, on Friday, March 2 at 1 p.m.


This exhibition has been made possible in part with the support of the Alice Gooch Fund.

For more information, visit [www.brocku.ca/rodmanhall](http://www.brocku.ca/rodmanhall)

### Philosophy conference coming up

The Brock University Philosophy Society, Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary and Campus Ministries are presenting a two-day conference entitled "World Religions: A conversation about the idea of the Holy and/or the Sacred." The event runs Feb. 13 and 14 in Pond Inlet. For more information, call 905-892-4987 or e-mail: [dgoicoec@brocku.ca](mailto:dgoicoec@brocku.ca)

Unity (1918) - mainstage production



unity (1918)

by Kevin Kerr

The Department of Dramatic Arts mainstage production will feature *Unity (1918)* by Kevin Kerr. The production is directed by Gyllian Raby, with design by David Vivian, Trevor Hughes and Matt Flawn. Winner of the 2002 Governor General's Award for Drama, *Unity (1918)* offers audiences insight into a forgotten chapter of Canadian history - the 1918 flu pandemic that killed more people than the First

World War. This extraordinary play refuses to bend to sentimentality, revealing instead a dark humour that transcends cynicism to celebrate life in the midst of a small Saskatchewan community facing imminent death. The production will run Feb. 15 and 16 at 7:30 p.m., and Feb. 17 at 2 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Call the Box Office for tickets at ext. 3257 or e-mail [boxoffice@brocku.ca](mailto:boxoffice@brocku.ca)

## Faculty and Staff

### APPLIED LINGUISTICS

**David Hayes** visited South Korea from Dec. 3 to 10 as part of collaborative work with colleagues at the Korea Institute of Curriculum and Evaluation (KICE) on a research project concerned with revisions to the country's foreign language curriculum for primary schools. Hayes' role in the project has been to conduct a review of international experience regarding the introduction of foreign languages at early grades in elementary schools, to advise on the design of research questionnaires investigating the impact of curriculum reforms in experimental schools, to assist Korean colleagues in conducting classroom observations and interviews with foreign language teachers, and to edit the project's final research report. Hayes' visit to Seoul was sponsored jointly by KICE and the British Council, Korea.

### ECONOMICS

**Felice Martinello** presented a paper, titled "Faculty Salaries and Alternative Forms of Representation," at the Centre for Industrial Relations and Human Resources at the University of Toronto on Jan. 17.

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

**Martin Danahay** gave a presentation, entitled "Reworking Work: Industrial vs. Postindustrial Labor, or from Isambard Brunel to Bill Gates" in the Victorian Division session at the Modern Language Association, Philadelphia, Penn. on Dec. 29, 2006.

### MUSIC

**Harris Loewen** conducted the newly formed Avanti Chamber Singers in its debut concert on Jan. 28 at St. Paul Street United Church, St. Catharines. The new choir, whose membership includes Brock alumni, staff and former faculty, was accompanied by Brock instructor **Lesley Kingham** who also performed as organ soloist. In addition, the program featured solos and duets by Brock alumni and staff, including **Maureen Chamberlain**, **Laura Henderson**, **Liz Kaethler**, and **Melissa Shriner**.

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND KINESIOLOGY

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### PRE-SERVICE, FACULTY OF EDUCATION

**Peter Vietgen** presented a workshop as part of the "Gallery Praxis" conference, held at the Ringling Museum of Art (Florida State University) in Sarasota, Fla. from Jan. 11 to 13. Geared towards the study of museum/gallery practice, the presentation, entitled "The Ca d'Zan: A Bridge Between Art, Architecture and Fashion," focused on the Venetian Gothic inspired home (today a museum) of the circus/entertainment magnate John Ringling and his wife Mabel. Introducing the workshop participants to the Visual Arts curriculum currently being used in Ontario public schools, Vietgen developed an educational tour experience for potential middle school students, bridging the fields of museum education theory and practice.

### VISUAL ARTS

**Diane Borsato** recently published a review of the performance "Deer Heads," by Hazel Meyer for YYZ in Toronto, in its catalogue for the WADE series of contemporary art events from the summer of 2006. Borsato will soon be presenting an artist talk, and performing a new work entitled "The Practical Applications of Math" at The Power Plant gallery of contemporary art in Toronto on Thursday, Feb. 8.

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## Events

**Chemistry Department Fall Seminar Series:** Friday, Feb 2: Roger Gumbau Title: TBA. Friday, **Feb 9:** Dr. Nick Tolti. Lilly Analytical Research Labs (Eli Lilly and Company) topic "Pharmaceutical Research: Combining Drug Development, Process Improvement, and Applied Research"  
The location for all talks is MC H313 at 12 noon.

**ENCORE!** Winner of the 2004 National Jazz Awards (Vocalist of the Year), the Heather Bambrick Quintet will perform on Friday, Feb. 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. More than just a vocalist, she is the brilliant combination of natural stage presence, a beautiful and versatile voice, intelligent musical arrangements, poignant interpretation and delivery, witty and comfortable audience rapport, and some of the best music ever written. Presented by the Department of Music. Tickets available through the Box Office, ext. 3257.

**Music@Noon:** The Department of Music presents a faculty recital featuring Lesley Kingham, organ, on Tuesday, Feb. 6; and performance students on Tuesday, Feb. 13. Both recitals take place at 12 noon in the Concordia Seminary Chapel (on campus). Free and open to the community.

### Department of Visual Arts Speaker Series

The Department of Visual Arts and the School of Fine and Performing Arts is pleased to announce guest artist Shawn Micallef who will be delivering a lecture on Thursday, Feb. 1, at 2 p.m. at 573 Glenridge Ave., Room AS 217. Community members are welcome to attend his talk.

The talk is co-hosted by the Department of Visual Arts and the Department of Geography.

**Centre for the Arts:** All performances begin at 7:30 p.m., in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise noted. For tickets and more information, please call the Box Office at ext. 3257, or visit [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca)

Upcoming performances include: Classic Albums Live: The Beatles - Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band, Feb. 1; The Arrogant Worms with The Polyesters, Feb. 21; Unforgettable... Brothers of Song, Feb. 22; Public Songwriting Workshop with Aengus Finnan, Feb. 27 at 7 p.m. at Niagara Artists' Centre; Aengus Finnan with special guest Lynn Miles, Feb. 28; New Zealand Maori Body Percussion and Poi Workshop with WAI Feb. 28 at 6:30 p.m. at Robertson Hall.

**Brock University Film Society (BUFS):** The BUFS program continues on Feb. 4, when acclaimed documentary filmmaker Barbara Kopple teams up with Cecilia Peck for *Shut Up and Sing*, a film about the ramifications of Dixie Chick's singer Natalie Maines' infamous remark: "We're ashamed that the President of the United States is from Texas." For updates on the screenings for Feb. 11, March 4, 11, 18, and 25, and April 1, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/cpcf](http://www.brocku.ca/cpcf) and click on "links."

Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance through the Brock Centre for the Arts Box Office. Prices are \$6 for BUFS members and students, \$8 for non-members. Memberships are also available through the Centre for the Arts. Call Amanda Bishop at ext. 3553 for more information.

## Classified

**For Sale:** 2004 Ford Explorer NBX, Black. 30,000 kms., 4 dr, well-maintained, clean vehicle with trailer package. Fully loaded, rust checked annually (warranty transferable) asking \$23,500. For more information, please call 905-650-2281.

**For Sale:** House for sale on quiet crescent in Glenridge. Three plus one bedrooms; two and half baths. In-ground pool. \$279,000. Pictures at [www.privaterealestate.ca](http://www.privaterealestate.ca) 7 Rivercrest Dr. Open house on Sunday, Feb. 4 from 2 to 4 p.m. Call 905-988-9954 for more information.

## Opportunity to promote clubs

Are you an enthusiastic member of a club on campus or in the broader community? As part of the Wellness Wednesday program presented by the Health and Well-being Committee at Brock, we are looking for members of the Brock community to share information about the clubs or organizations they are part of on campus or in the community. The event is open to all faculty and staff and will

take place on Wednesday, Feb. 28 from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Pond Inlet. If you are interested in sharing your interests, meeting new friends and gaining exposure for your club, please contact Justine Alsop, (ext. 3234, or e-mail: [jalsop@brocku.ca](mailto:jalsop@brocku.ca)) or Kristen Smith (ext. 3845 or e-mail: [skristen@brocku.ca](mailto:skristen@brocku.ca)). If you are interested in starting a new club on campus, give us a call and maybe we can assist!



# BrockNews

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2007

A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## Brock to offer two new master's programs

Marilyn Rose, Dean, Graduate Studies, is pleased to announce that the Ontario Council of Graduate Studies has approved Master of Arts programs in the Departments of History and Geography.

The programs will begin in September 2007.

The MA Program in Geography is designed to train students broadly in geographical approaches to understanding social and human/environment relations, with emphasis on how contemporary processes affect spatial relations across the range of scales from the local to the global.

"My colleagues and I are delighted to be adding a master's in Geography to the University's growing complement of high-quality graduate programs," said Professor David Butz, Graduate Program Director, Geography. "The recent appointment of several excellent new scholars gives our program the breadth and depth of scholarly competencies needed to help students develop a sophisticated and rigorous understanding of geographical processes through an examination of current theoretical perspectives and research methodologies, as well as exposure to diverse empirical material.

"We are eagerly anticipating the opportunity to supervise graduate students' major research paper and thesis research, and to involve them in our own diverse programs of research," Butz added.

Students in this new program will be trained to develop a sophisticated and rigorous understanding of geographical processes through an examination of current theoretical perspectives and research methodologies, as well as exposure to diverse empirical material.

For more information about MA program in Geography, please see [www.brocku.ca/geography](http://www.brocku.ca/geography) and click on "MA program in Geography."

Professor Mark Spencer, History, said "We are thrilled and very excited to soon be welcoming our first graduate students to the History Department. Our program offers a high-quality master's degree in History consistent with the excellence and dedication of the faculty who teach it."

The program, he said, is distinctive in that it emphasizes theme rather than geographical region or historical period. Those themes are intellectual history, gender, empire, revolutions, labour systems, migration/ethnicity/identity, history of science and/or medicine, and history and computing.

The MA program in History provides students with training, through course work and research experience, in diverse fields of history. It focuses on the critical analysis of both primary and secondary sources. Students will study historiography and methodology and will be encouraged to engage with vibrant theoretical debates in the study of history.

For more information about the MA program in History, please see [www.brocku.ca/history/graduate/](http://www.brocku.ca/history/graduate/)



On Jan. 23, the Business Career Development Office (BCDO) held its annual Make the Connection event for the Faculty of Business. Business graduates took time to share their career experience with current students. This year's panelists included Brad Grabham (BBA, co-op, '05); David Cullen (BBA, co-op, '05); Julie Trudeau (BAcc, co-op, '05); Dan Good (BBA, co-op, '04); and John Pryde (BBA, co-op, '04). The keynote speaker was Karen Trudell (BAdmin, accounting, '87) who is the Chief Financial Officer for Lakeport Brewing Income Fund. Pictured at the event with Trudell, centre, are students Matt Gillis and Jaspreet Kaur.

## trade mission to india results in agreement



Dr. Jack N. Lightstone

As part of its efforts to establish and expand international academic partnerships and relationships, Brock University President Jack Lightstone signed an agreement with one university and initiated discussions with others during an Ontario trade mission to India in January.

Lightstone was one of about 100 delegates, representing educational, research, business and cultural interests, who travelled to the country regarded as one of the world's leading emerging markets.

"Just about everyone acknowledges that India is the new China," said Lightstone. "That India is a world economic power is absolutely evident, and if we are to understand our place in a global context, we have to understand India."

He added: "In this globalized world, with exchanges of goods, services and information, we have to learn how to get along with our neighbours."

The agreement was signed with YCM Open University in Mumbai, the heart of a major wine-producing area of India. Brock and YCM are interested in partnering in and developing programs in respect to wine making and wine tasting, and jointly developing business programs oriented to grape growers and wine producers. A joint interest in biotechnology could produce future partnerships.

Lightstone said he also had opportunities to speak to representatives at the University of Delhi about an exchange of faculty and graduate students in the field of biotechnology. Maharshi Dayanand University near Delhi also expressed interest in partnering in the areas of

biotechnology, bioscience and education.

Representatives of Jawaharlal Nehru University in New Delhi, primarily an institution for graduate students, expressed a great deal of interest in establishing partnerships and exchanges in Brock's Social Justice and Equity Studies program and Canadian Studies, plus in areas of biotechnology, biochemistry, and the environment, said Lightstone.

He added that there were initial discussions about negotiating with Panjab University a two-plus-two arrangement (undergraduate students complete two years of study in India and their final two years at Brock) in the areas of biotechnology, microbiology, biochemistry, and computer science. Panjab University is also interested in partnerships in the area of business education.

The advantage of "piggybacking" as a delegate on the trade mission, said Lightstone, is the implicit and explicit support of the provincial government.

"We have a right to call on the Province to facilitate these exchanges and relationships," said Lightstone. "The academic delegates have requested a group debriefing with the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities to see how to make these exchanges easier and how to better market Ontario universities."

Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty, who led the mission, urged delegates at the beginning of the tour to promote the province's diversity when seeking partnerships.

"Our diversity gives us every opportunity to succeed, especially when it's combined with our competitive business costs and our highly skilled, highly educated and highly motivated workforce," said McGuinty.

Ontario is home to 500,000 Ontarians of Indian descent, said McGuinty, "people who have found success in every walk of life, and that is a real source of strength for us as we compete for new investment and jobs in India."

## Town Hall Meeting

Brock President Jack Lightstone invites faculty and staff to attend a Town Hall Meeting, on Wednesday, March 7, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre.

President Lightstone will give a 20-minute presentation followed by an open question-and-answer session. His presentation will focus on Brock's opportunities to work in partnership with the community to drive the economic, social and cultural developments of Niagara.

Please obtain tickets for this event, at no charge, through the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257.

## President's Community Luncheon in Welland

President Jack Lightstone will address members of the Welland/Pelham Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, Feb. 28, as part of a series of community visits. The luncheon meeting, also open to the public, will be held at Hunter's Pointe Golf Course, 289 Daimler Parkway, in Welland. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. and the lunch starts at 12 noon. Reservations (\$25 per person) are available by contacting Christine Alic at ext. 3245 or e-mail: [calic@brocku.ca](mailto:calic@brocku.ca)

## E-mail privacy statement

A Privacy Statement will soon be tagged to all e-mails sent from Brock's faculty and staff campus computers. On Friday, Feb. 23 the following Privacy Statement will automatically be appended to all sent e-mails: *Confidentiality Warning: The information contained in this message may be privileged and confidential and protected from disclosure. If the reader of this message is not the intended recipient, or an employee or agent responsible for delivering this message to the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any dissemination, distribution or copying of this communication is strictly prohibited. If you have received this communication in error, please notify us immediately by replying to the message and deleting it from your computer.*

For those who already have an e-mail privacy statement, please delete it.

If you have any questions about the above, or other privacy and access questions, please contact Marion Hansen, Freedom of Information and Privacy Co-ordinator, at [mhansen@brocku.ca](mailto:mhansen@brocku.ca), or by phone at ext. 5380.

# Canadian Graduate and Professional Student Survey Help Us

Build a Better Brock



This past Monday, all of Brock's graduate students were invited to participate in a survey that asks them about their graduate university experience. The Canadian Graduate and Professional Survey (CGPSS) is being conducted across Canada at many major universities and it is intended that the study will result in improved educational experiences for current and future students.

Those who agree to participate will be asked to complete a web-based survey that will take about 20 minutes. All answers will be kept confidential and, once the data are returned to Brock, all identifying information will be removed before any analyses are done.

Participation in the study is completely voluntary. Students may refuse to participate, refuse to answer any questions or withdraw at any time. The survey will be available from Monday, Feb. 12 until Friday, March 23.

All participants will automatically be entered into a draw to win one of three \$200 gift certificates from the University Bookstore.

For more information about the survey, contact Patrick Beard in the Office of Academic Reviews and Planning at [pbeard@brocku.ca](mailto:pbeard@brocku.ca), or ext. 4082.

## Brock's Open House 2007

Brock's annual Open House will be held on Sunday, March 4 from 12 noon to 4 p.m. This event is held for prospective students, parents and the general public. Open House is a critical part of the recruitment process, as it occurs just before prospective students determine which university they will attend. Melissa Coleman in Recruitment and Liaison Services is organizing the event, and can be reached at ext. 4685 or by e-mail at [mcoleman@brocku.ca](mailto:mcoleman@brocku.ca) if you have questions or if you would like to become involved.

Registration is recommended. For more details, visit [www.brocku.ca/prospective](http://www.brocku.ca/prospective) and click on "Open House."

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PRESENTS

# The Terry O'Malley Lecture in Marketing and Advertising

The 2007 presentation of the Terry O'Malley Lecture in Marketing and Advertising will feature Janet Kestin and Nancy Vonk, chief creative officers at Ogilvy & Mather. The pair will present "Evolution" Revolution... on Wednesday, March 7 in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre at 7:30 p.m.

It's been said that "Ads are over." So what's next? This means a media-neutral starting point, and indeed, the best solutions may not be ads at all. Using the Dove "Evolution" film as a case study, seen as a landmark in the advertising industry this year, Vonk and Kestin will discuss how ad agencies are moving away from making traditional ads to becoming problem solvers

for their clients.

The Terry O'Malley Lecture in Marketing and Advertising has become a sell-out event on the Brock University campus since its launch in 2002. Established by Terry O'Malley, former chairman of the Toronto-based ad agency Vickers and Benson Advertising (now Arnold Worldwide), the annual lecture focuses on advertising, marketing, and the mass media, examining the role they play in modern society. O'Malley, who spent more than 30 years in advertising, was inducted this year into the Canadian Marketing Hall of Legends.

Tickets are free, but reservations must be made through the Centre for the Arts.

## Brock researchers study exercise and osteoporosis

Members of Brock's Osteoporosis Prevention and Research Group from the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology are currently leading a study examining the effectiveness of an exercise program designed for older women with osteoporosis.

Professors Allan Adkin, Kimberley Gammage and Nota Klentrou are studying the impact of a specific exercise regimen on balance confidence, mobility, strength, body image, quality of life and fall risk.

"The main goal of this project is to design and evaluate the usefulness of an exercise program, incorporating balance training, strength, and cardiovascular activities in order to reduce the risk of falling in older women with osteoporosis. The outcomes of this study are especially critical to provide strategies to enhance quality of life in this population," says Gammage. "It is well-known that physical activity contributes to improved bone health. However, no studies have examined the effectiveness of a physical activity program to address balance confidence,

body image, postural stability and falls."

Falling is a significant issue for individuals with osteoporosis. As the result of a fall, significant physical complications, such as fractures, can occur. Furthermore, psychological complications, such as fear of falling or low balance confidence, can result from a fall or even the threat of a fall. Other psychological changes from osteoporosis, such as poorer body image, may also result.

These physical and psychological consequences can modify behaviour, presenting a considerable challenge for maintaining mobility, independence, and quality of life in older women with osteoporosis.

The Osteoporosis Prevention and Research Group is still inviting women who fit the criteria to take part in this new research project examining the effectiveness of exercise in postmenopausal women with osteoporosis.

For more information, please contact Kimberley Gammage, Associate Professor, Physical Education and Kinesiology, at ext. 3772; e-mail: [kgammage@brocku.ca](mailto:kgammage@brocku.ca)



## Senate News

The 545th meeting of the Brock University Senate was held on Jan. 24. During the meeting, Senate:

- approved that the election of representatives to fill Senate vacancies occurring at the end of Spring Convocation, with the exception of student representatives, take place on Friday, March 30, 2007;
- received an oral Report from the Chair during which Chair Sadava requested that the Senate Budget Advisory Committee and other relevant Senate Committees examine the implications of the proposed budget reductions on the academic program and to report back to Senate at its next meeting in February;
- received an oral Report from the Vice-President, Academic and Provost during which Dr. Boak advised Senate, as per FHB I: 6.3.1 (B) that following consultation with the Chairs of the Departments/Centres in the Faculty of Social Sciences, the term of office of Dean Siegel had been extended for a period of one year (to June 30, 2008);
- received a Report from the Undergraduate Student Affairs Committee which contained information regarding the revised Mathematics Curriculum for 2008 and the subsequent changes made to the admission requirements;
- received a Report from the Graduate Studies Committee during which Senate approved the proposed changes to the Graduate Calendar and approved the addition to the Graduate Studies section of the Faculty Handbook III: 14.2 The Calendar Year;
- received a Report from the Undergraduate Program Committee during which Senate approved numerous changes to the Undergraduate Calendar;
- received a Report from the Governance Committee during which Senate approved revisions to FHB II: 9.6.1 Graduate Studies Committee Terms of Reference, accepted the Draft Response to the UPRAC Report, appointed Senators Mary Louise Vanderlee and Rick Cheel as scrutineers for the Senate election to be held March 30, 2007; approved an amendment to Faculty Handbook II: 5 regarding the Undergraduate Student Senator Election Timelines, and approved, in camera, honorary degree nominations.

Full details of Senate meetings are available at: [www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate](http://www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate)

## New measures enforce campus speed limit

Inspector John Trevisonn of Brock's Campus Security Services has two words for drivers around campus: "Slow down."

"We've had a significant increase in complaints of speeding vehicles on campus, particularly in the area of the Rosalind Blauer Centre for Child Care," he adds.

Of primary concern are times when children are being dropped off and picked up, says Trevisonn. As the University has grown, traffic flow throughout the campus has increased - including on evenings and weekends. Compounding the congestion are the number of public transit and service vehicles on campus.

One method being used to help combat speeding vehicles is a new radar speed monitor. Last year, Campus Security personnel, with the assistance of Parking Services, used a trial machine that flashed the current speed of vehicles to drivers. Studies have shown that most drivers will respond to unattended radar speed monitors by slowing almost immediately.

Determining that there is a legitimate concern of speeding vehicles on campus, a proactive approach was taken to curtail speeders when a radar speed monitor was purchased by Campus Security late last year.

The "SpeedMinder" unit, which will be moved among several locations around campus, will also be a constant reminder to everyone who frequents or visits the University to monitor his or her speed.

"I would strongly suggest that drivers accustom themselves to operating their vehicles within the campus posted speed limit of 40 km/h," says Trevisonn. "Obey the speed limit, be part of the solution."

With the assistance of Parking Services, speed monitoring will occur at different locations at different times of the day, year round. Registered owners will be notified of multiple infractions.

## Help needed in reducing vandalism

Campus Security Services is asking for the assistance of the Brock community in helping to eliminate vandalism on campus. In the past two years, damage to buildings, lighting, windows, and doors has been reported.

Anyone with information about these or any other crimes occurring on the Brock Campus is asked to call Campus Security at ext. 3200 for an incident that is in progress, or ext. 3811 to leave confidential information. Campus Security can also be contacted at [security@brocku.ca](mailto:security@brocku.ca)

Campus Security has also recently teamed up with Crime Stoppers of Niagara. Any information regarding vandalism, or any other crime on or off campus can be referred to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). All tips are eligible for a cash reward and remain anonymous.

For more information, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/campussecurity](http://www.brocku.ca/campussecurity)



## Library Resources In...Workshops

Come learn about the best library resources available in your subject area. Subject specialist librarians will provide an introduction to major resources and will offer tips on how to make the most effective use of them. These workshops are open to any interested person. Sessions will be held in the e-Classroom (TH 253).

Psychology – Thursday, Feb. 15, 11 to 11:50 a.m. (Carol Gaspari)  
 Biology – Friday, Feb. 16, 12 noon to 12:50 p.m. (Marcie Jacklin)  
 Applied Health Sciences – Monday, Feb. 26, 11 to 11:50 a.m. (Laura Banfield)  
 Sociology – Tuesday, Feb. 27, 11 to 11:50 a.m. (Laura Banfield)  
 Political Science – Wednesday, Feb. 28, 11 to 11:50 a.m. (Gabe Boldt)  
 Education – Thursday, March 1, 11 to 11:50 a.m. (Jennifer Thiessen)  
 Visual Arts – Tuesday, March 6, 11 to 11:50 a.m. (Laurie Morrison)  
 Geography – Wednesday, March 7, 11 to 11:50 a.m. (Ian Gordon)  
 English – Thursday, March 8, 11 to 11:50 a.m. (Justine Alsop)  
 Applied Linguistics – Tuesday, March 13, 11 to 11:50 a.m. (Karen Bordonaro)  
 Foreign Languages and Literatures – Wednesday, March 14, 11 to 11:50 a.m. (Laurie Morrison)

## Upcoming arts and culture workshops at Centre for the Arts

Brock's Centre for the Arts is pleased to offer opportunities for the community to share in a creative process that enhances the performance experience. This season, as part of their commitment to community arts outreach, Centre for the Arts and the St. Catharines and Area Arts Council (together with workshop partners Folk Arts Council of St. Catharines, Niagara Artists' Centre and CFBU 103.7 FM, and the support of Brock University and the Department of Canadian Heritage) are presenting unique workshops by some of the artists and companies that will be performing as part of the 2006/2007 Professional Entertainment Season.

### Songwriting Workshop with Aengus Finnan

Tuesday, Feb. 27 from 7 to 9 p.m., Niagara Artists' Centre, 354 St. Paul St., St. Catharines.

Are you an aspiring songwriter or musician with a song that is almost complete but you can't quite finish? Are you having trouble deciding whether to repeat a verse or remove a chorus or add a bridge? Join award-winning singer-songwriter Aengus Finnan for this exciting songwriting workshop. Participants should be prepared to share a song (if they are inclined) or to bring a recorded copy

of their song (if available) to be used as sample songs for discussion. Feel free to bring your instrument(s) too!

### Family Workshop on the Maori instrument of poi with musical group WAI

Wednesday, Feb. 28 from 6:30 to 8 p.m., Robertson Hall, the Folk Arts Council of St. Catharines, 85 Church St., St. Catharines.

WAI will present a workshop for families on the Maori instrument of poi. Poi is a little cotton ball on a

string used as a body percussion instrument and dance prop used in the ancient aboriginal Maori culture of New Zealand. Workshop participants will have the opportunity to make their own poi as part of the workshop and be instructed on the basics of using poi. Led by the members of the group WAI, participants will then learn to use it as part of a song. Note: Recommended for ages 7 and up.

The cost for each workshop is \$5 for students, \$7 for members and \$10 for the general public. Note: There is a special family price of \$25 (maximum six people) for the Poi Workshop only. To reserve your place in any or all of these workshops or to purchase tickets for the performances, call the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257 or online at: [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca)



## Bobby Noble to speak at Brock

The Positive Space Campaign Committee, Department of Sociology, Social Justice and Equity Studies Program, and the Office of Human Rights and Equity Services are pleased to host Dr. Bobby Noble, presenting "Sons of the Movement: FtM Transsexual Men and the Politics of Incoherence."

The presentation, which is open to the public, will take place Friday, March 2 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. in Academic South 215. It is presented free of charge thanks to sponsorship of the Department of Sociology and the Social Justice and Equity Studies Program.

Noble is an Assistant Professor of sexuality and gender studies in

the new Sexuality Studies Minor, housed in the School of Women's Studies at York University. He completed his doctorate at York in 2000, and after teaching at the University of Victoria, he returned to join the faculty at York in July 2006. His areas of research focus on sexuality, gender, anti-racist whiteness, and popular culture through feminist cultural studies. In particular, his work looks at the intersections of masculinity, embodiment, and sexuality in the fields of transsexual/transgender studies, queer theory and cultural studies.

For more information, please contact Lynne Bubic, Human Rights and Equity Services, at ext. 4019.

## Mediatalk People in the news

Mary Jane Miller, Professor Emerita, Dramatic Literature, Studies in Canadian Television, was recently interviewed by Thibault Lanta, a French journalist and director of a new magazine about TV series called *Générique(s)* (revue mensuelle sur les séries TV), for a special issue about Canadian television productions and the TV industry in Canada.

Aquatics Manager Herb de Bray recently wrote an article that appeared in December, 2006 issue of *Pool & Spa Marketing* magazine, in response to a previously published article, "Newspaper article relates asthma to indoor public swimming pools."

John Jackson, Professor Emeritus from the Department of Geography, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Niagara Landmarks article about Mountain Locks Park in south St. Catharines, entitled "Parks has a lock on Niagara's canal history." In the article, Jackson notes "As a geographer, I want to understand the environment and the changing environment. In Niagara, the Welland Canal is where you begin."

BUSU President Kithio Mwanzia and Career Services Plus Programs Manager Pauline Dawson were recently interviewed about BUSU's petition urging the federal Conservative government to reconsider its plan to cut \$55 million this year in funding to youth employment initiatives, including the Summer Career Placement program. The article, "Brock students' union tackles funding cuts," was published in the Jan. 20 issues of the *St. Catharines Standard* and *Welland Tribune*.

Associate Professor of Physical Education and Kinesiology James Mandigo was interviewed for an article, entitled "Students stickhandle their way through class", about students from Blessed Trinity Secondary School in Grimsby earning high school credits for playing hockey. In the article, Mandigo notes, "We need to give kids more than the traditional activity that they got all through elementary school. Building on a sport they really enjoy is one of them." The article was published in the Jan. 20 issues of the *St. Catharines Standard* and *Welland Tribune*.

Professor of Earth Sciences Uwe Brand was interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a Jan. 20 article, "City Dump – Is sewage threatening our water?", which

closely examines the City of Niagara Falls' practice of dumping sewage into city waterways and the Niagara River during heavy rainstorms.

Professor David Fennell from the Department of Tourism and Environment was interviewed by the *Globe and Mail* for a Jan. 20 article about the rise of 'controlled-edge' and 'safe-danger' tourism, entitled "And on your left, note the poverty," which appeared on page T1 of the newspaper. In the article, Fennell notes that growth in this type of tourism is driven by two factors. The first is the Western tourist's hyper-inflated sense of entitlement, and the second is a basic aspect of human nature, albeit a "somewhat perverse" one.

David Sharron, University Archivist and Head, Special Collections, was recently interviewed for an article, "Old maps of Falls donated to Brock University's special collection section," that appeared in the Jan. 23 issues of the *Niagara Falls Review*, *St. Catharines Standard* and *Welland Tribune*.

Lisa Kuiper, Employer Development/Events and Marketing Coordinator in Career Services, was interviewed for an article about the Department's Jan. 23 Career and Summer Job Fair at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel in St. Catharines, entitled "University students look to kick-start their careers." The article appeared in the Jan. 24 issues of the *St. Catharines Standard* and *Welland Tribune*.

Maurice Feldman, Professor in the Department of Child and Youth Studies, was interviewed by the *Ottawa Sun* for an article about the newly created graduate program in Applied Disability Studies at Brock – the first of its kind in Ontario. The article, "Opening doors for behavioural analysts," appeared in the newspaper's Jan. 24 issue.

Brock Accessibility Co-ordinator Margaret Sanderson was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Jan. 27 Access Niagara article, entitled "New accessibility co-ordinator has big plans for Brock."

Peter Chanthanakone, Lecturer in 3D animation in the Department of Visual Arts, was recently interviewed by Texas-based Studio Upstairs podcasts ([www.studioupstairs.net](http://www.studioupstairs.net)) about his short film Winston's Shuttle, which is currently playing in film festivals in the U.K. and United States. The interview is currently available online. For more information about Chanthanakone's short film, please visit [www.pixade.com/winstonsShuttle](http://www.pixade.com/winstonsShuttle)

## Brock Briefs

### Library appoints new Data and Government Information Librarian

Kevin Manuel was appointed to the position of Data and Government Information Librarian, effective Jan. 15. Manuel also serves as the subject specialist librarian for Political Science and Labour Studies. In addition to his MLIS degree from the University of Western Ontario, Manuel holds an MA in Sociology from the University of Windsor. Manuel's office is located in Reference Information Services (ST 201G), and he can be reached at ext. 3232 or by e-mail at [kmanuel@brocku.ca](mailto:kmanuel@brocku.ca)

### Research Services offers workshops

The Office of Research Services is offering several free workshops and open forums during the month of February and March:

- March 6: "Intellectual Property Workshop," from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in

the Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber. Current issues related to intellectual property, technology transfer and commercialization. Guest Speakers.

- March 8: "Human Ethics: An Introduction to the Research Ethics Board Review Process at Brock." From 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber.

To register, please contact the Office of Research Services at ext. 4870 or e-mail: [orsadmin@brocku.ca](mailto:orsadmin@brocku.ca)

### Using Archival Records

Scissor-cutting art, wrestling cards from the 1950s, and Sir Isaac Brock's signature are among the many unique records that you can find in the Special Collections and Archives on the 10th Floor of the James A. Gibson Library. How can you use these and other materials in your research? The University Archivist will host an information workshop on getting access to and using archival records on Monday, March 5 from 11 to 11:50 a.m. in the e-Classroom (TH 253). This workshop is open to all interested persons.

## Faculty and Staff

### COMMUNICATIONS, POPULAR CULTURE AND FILM

Professor **Barry Keith Grant** has been reappointed for a fourth consecutive three-year term as an Adjunct faculty member in the Faculty of Graduate Studies (Graduate Program in Film) at York University.

### GEOGRAPHY

**Ebru Ustundag** delivered an invited presentation, entitled "Governing Citizens in Istanbul" at Public Istanbul – Die Stadt und ihre Räume der Öffentlichkeit," (Public Istanbul: Spaces and Spheres of the City) held Jan. 19 to 21, in Weimar, Germany.

### MUSIC

**Harris Loewen** participated in the fourth annual Ontario University Choral Festival hosted by Guelph University on Feb. 3 and 4. As clinician, Loewen led a mini-workshop on Dvorak's choral suite Songs of Nature. As conductor, he led the Brock University Chamber Choir in a performance of the Dvorak suite and prepared the choir for their participation in the festival mass choir's performance of several large-scale works by Healey Willan, conducted by Marta McCarthy (U. of Guelph).

In a separate event, Loewen also conducted the Etobicoke Centennial Choir in a performance of selected light repertoire and prepared the choir for participation in a mass performance of selected works by Copland, Handel and Shaw at the newly formed Festival of Friends, hosted by the Mississauga Festival Choir, on the evening of Feb. 3 in Mississauga.

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

**David Siegel** spoke to a meeting of the councillors and staff of the Region of Niagara and the area municipalities on the topics "Effective Municipal Governance: Roles and Responsibilities," at Niagara College, Niagara-on-the-Lake, on Jan. 25.

### PRE-SERVICE EDUCATION

**Julian Kitchen**, with Dona Matthews, presented a paper titled "Allowing idiosyncratic learners to thrive: School-within-a-school gifted programs" at the National Association for Gifted Children conference in Charlotte, N.C. in November 2006.

Kitchen was also one of the co-chairs of the Teacher Induction, Mentoring and Renewal Conference at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education in Toronto, Ont., in November 2006. He also presented two papers:

- **Kitchen, J.** (2006). "Learning the key aspects of teaching in a pre-service program and beyond."
- **Second, Beck, C., Kosnik, C., Kitchen, J. and McClure, A.** (2006). "Teachers' induction needs: A report on ongoing research on new teachers."

Also presenting papers at the Teacher Induction, Mentoring and Renewal Conference were **Joe Engemann** and **Lorenzo Cherubini** who presented "Teacher induction programs: Impact on teacher efficacy and professional practice."

**Douglas Karrow** presented a lecture, entitled "The Poetics of Ritual," to a graduate class at The Ontario Institute for Studies in Education of the University of Toronto on Jan.23.

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**Mitchell, C., & Sackney, L.** (2006). "Building schools, building people: The school principal's role in leading a learning community." *Journal of School Leadership*, 16(5), pp. 627-640.

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## Events

**Centre for the Arts:** All performances begin at 7:30 p.m., in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise noted. For tickets and more information, please call the Box Office at ext. 3257, or visit [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca)

Upcoming performances include: *The Arrogant Worms with The Polyesters*, Feb. 21; *Unforgettable...Brothers of Song*, Feb. 22; *Public Songwriting Workshop with Aengus Finnan*, Feb. 27 at 7 p.m. at Niagara Artists' Centre; *Aengus Finnan with special guest Lynn Miles*, Feb. 28; *New Zealand Maori Body Percussion and Poi Workshop with WAI*, Feb. 28 at 6:30 p.m. at Robertson Hall; *WAI*, March 1; *Simian Theatre: 3...2...1*, March 2; *The Chucky Danger Band*, March 8; *The Standard Orchestral!* Emmett Does Clapton featuring *Rik Emmett, the Jeans n' Classics Band and Niagara Symphony*, March 10; *Little Bear & The Enchanted Wood* (for ages 4+), March 11 at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

**Brock University Film Society (BUFS):** The BUFS Winter series continues after Reading Week. On March 4, BUFS presents *The History Boys* (Nicholas Hytner, UK, 2006, 109 mins. 14A), based on Alan Bennett's hit play, in which unruly Yorkshire teenage boys in pursuit of sex and sport are pressured to get into elite universities. On March 11, join us for the dramatic story of a woman and her lover being spied upon by government agents in the former East Germany. *The Lives of Others* (Florian Henckel von Donnersmarck, Germany, 2006, 137 mins. 14A) is a Golden Globe and Oscar nominee for Best Foreign Language Film.

For more information, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/cpcf](http://www.brocku.ca/cpcf) and click on "links."

Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance through the Brock Centre for the Arts Box Office. Prices are \$6 for BUFS members and students, \$8 for non-members. Memberships are also available through the Centre for the Arts. Call Amanda Bishop at ext. 3553 for more information.

**Chemistry Department Fall Seminar Series:** Friday, Feb 16: Dr. Derek Pratt, Canada Research Chair in Bioorganic and Physical Organic Chemistry, Queen's University. Title: TBA. The location for all talks is MC H313 at noon.

**Music@Noon:** The Department of Music presents a Visiting Artist Recital featuring Maureen Yuen, violin and Karin Di Bella, piano on Tuesday, Feb. 13, 12 noon, Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. All are welcome. Admission is free.

## Classified

**For Sale:** Add value and luxury to your home with an antique roll brim cast iron tub. This gleaming white beauty is 60" long X 21" high X 30" across. \$200 negotiable. Please call 905-984-2175 (evenings) for more information.

## Lightstone interview on TVCogeco

President Jack Lightstone was recently interviewed for a segment of *Taking Niagara By Storm* with host John Storm on TVCogeco. The interview will air on Monday, Feb. 19 at 6 p.m. with repeats on Thursday, Feb. 22 at 6 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 24 at 12 noon. In the segment, Lightstone discusses his recent trip to India, how the world has changed and what Niagara has to do to stay competitive.



Students Shannon Lahaie and Beth Moores are featured in the Department of Dramatic Arts upcoming mainstage production of *Unity (1918)*. Winner of the 2002 Governor General's Award for Drama, *Unity (1918)* offers audiences insight into a forgotten chapter of Canadian history - the 1918 flu pandemic that killed more people than the First World War. This extraordinary play refuses to bend to sentimentality, revealing instead a dark humour that transcends cynicism to celebrate life in the midst of a small Saskatchewan community facing imminent death. The production will run Feb. 15 and 16 at 7:30 p.m., and Feb. 17 at 2 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Call the Box Office for tickets at ext. 3257 or e-mail [boxoffice@brocku.ca](mailto:boxoffice@brocku.ca)

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A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## International experts in creative arts therapies coming to Brock

As Canadians face the challenge of maintaining healthy communities within ever-growing costs to health care, increasing attention is given to the role of the arts in fostering wellness. Brock is considering developing a program in Creative Arts Therapies, and from Wednesday, March 28 to Saturday, March 31, the University will bring together leaders in this field for a public symposium.

A joint initiative of the Faculty of Humanities and the Faculty of Applied Health Sciences with the support of Rodman Hall Arts Centre, the symposium will offer the opportunity to explore potential benefits for the Niagara region. As the chair of the organizing committee, Professor David Fancy explains, "In this early phase of investigating possibilities, it is critical that the people of Niagara - both healing professionals and the general public who care about the future of their communities - engage in this exploration with Brock University."

The opening keynote address on March 28, at 8 p.m., in Academic South 216, will feature Dr. Philip Richard Jones, an internationally recognized leader in creative arts therapies. Jones will discuss his research into practice and theory. His presentation will stimulate questions among members of the general public as well as professionals from healthcare, mental healthcare, youth programming, special populations programming, and other related communities. Admission for this presentation is free.

On March 29 at Rodman Hall Arts Centre, there will be a day-long series of workshop demonstrations and a panel discussion, exploring the potential application of Creative Arts Therapies in a wide variety of Niagara's institutions. Registration for the day, including lunch, is \$20 (students \$10) and must be pre-booked by contacting David Fancy at [dfancy@brocku.ca](mailto:dfancy@brocku.ca)

On March 31, students will have the opportunity to explore "How do I become a Creative Arts Therapist?" in a discussion

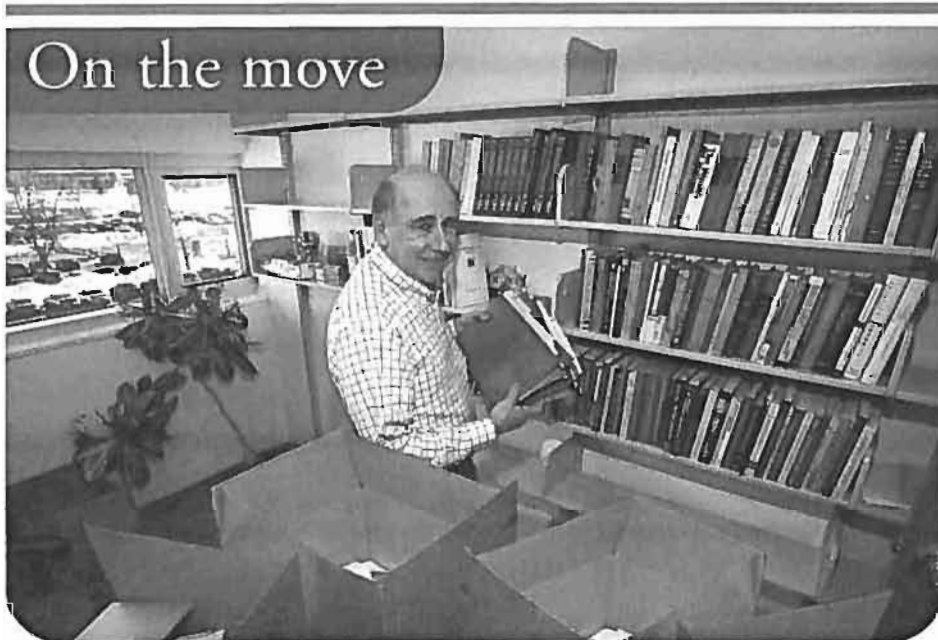
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## Brock's Open House 2007

Brock's annual Open House will be held on Sunday, March 4 from 12 noon to 4 p.m. This event is held for prospective students, parents and the general public. Open House is a critical part of the recruitment process, as it occurs just before prospective students determine which university they will attend. Melissa Coleman in Recruitment and Liaison Services is organizing the event, and can be reached at ext. 4685 or by e-mail at [mcoleman@brocku.ca](mailto:mcoleman@brocku.ca) if you have questions or if you would like to become involved.

Registration is recommended. For more details, visit [www.brocku.ca/prospective](http://www.brocku.ca/prospective) and click on "Open House."

## On the move



There was a lot of heavy lifting on campus over Reading Week as the departments of Economics and Political Science, and researchers with the Lifespan Development Research Centre, moved into their new spaces in Plaza2006. Professor of Economics, Joe Kushner, is pictured unpacking in his new office.

## Faculty of Business receives \$50,000 donation from Meridian Credit Union

Brock University's Faculty of Business is teaming up with Meridian Credit Union to help demonstrate that doing good can also be good for business.

The Faculty announced on Feb. 12 that Meridian Credit Union will donate \$50,000 over the next three years to the Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability Initiative it launched in 2005.

"This donation will help ensure that Brock is a leader in exploring the role of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) in corporate governance, public policy, and the media," said Don Cyr, Associate Dean, Graduate Programs and Research in the Faculty of Business.

The program will be known as the "Brock University Faculty of Business/Meridian Credit Union Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability Initiative" and will be led by Gillian Kemp, recent graduate of Brock's MBA program.

"Businesses in Canada are weighing the pros and cons of making a difference in the world, not just earning a profit. This program will integrate experiential learning, business case studies and articles to encourage our students to examine business decision-making in the context of environmental, community and ethical impacts," said Kemp.

Martin Kusy, Dean, Faculty of Business, said he is "pleased and grateful" that Meridian is playing a lead role in the Initiative.

As a result of Meridian's support, the Faculty will once again offer Summer Internship Grants to not-for-profit organizations in the community.

"These internships are focused on providing a great work experience for students and increasing the capacity of the organization in achieving their mandate," said Kusy. "I look forward to engaging the business community with Meridian. I believe that together, we can provide Brock students with a leading-edge knowledge of CSR while helping both not-for-profit organizations and the business community."

Meridian President and CEO Sean Jackson said that the initiative is a perfect fit with Meridian's core values as an organization founded on cooperative principles.

"Our members and our organization strongly believe that businesses and other organizations must be responsible and proactive in dealing with social issues, the environment, their employees and the communities they serve," Jackson said.

For more information, go to [www.brocku.ca](http://www.brocku.ca) and click on "News."

## President's Town Hall Meeting

Brock President Jack Lightstone invites faculty and staff to attend a Town Hall Meeting on Wednesday, March 7, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre.

President Lightstone will give a 20-minute presentation followed by an open question-and-answer session. His presentation will focus on Brock's opportunities to work in partnership with the community to drive the economic, social and cultural developments of Niagara.

Please obtain tickets for this event, at no charge, through the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257.

## Terry O'Malley Lecture in Marketing and Advertising

The 2007 presentation of the Terry O'Malley Lecture in Marketing and Advertising will feature Janet Kestin and Nancy Vonk, chief creative officers at Ogilvy & Mather. The pair will present "Evolution" Revolution... on Wednesday, March 7, at 7:30 p.m., in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre.

It's been said that "Ads are over." So what's next? This means a media-neutral starting point, and indeed, the best solutions may not be ads at all. Using the Dove "Evolution" film as a case study, seen as a landmark in the advertising industry this year, Vonk and Kestin will discuss how ad agencies are moving away from making traditional ads to becoming problem-solvers for their clients.

"This is the most exciting time in advertising," says Vonk, a leading figure on both the domestic and international advertising scenes. "The rules are going out the window and it's a time when fresh thinking and breakthrough ideas are being demanded by even conservative clients."

Vonk and creative partner Kestin have shared the podium at virtually all the major Canadian and international shows; awards include One Show Pencils, CLIOs, Communication Arts and a Gold Lion at the Cannes Advertising Festival. Vonk writes an advice column "Ask Jancy" with Kestin and in 2005, their book, *Pick Me* was published by Adweek Books to wide acclaim.

The Terry O'Malley Lecture in Marketing and Advertising has become a sell-out event on the Brock University campus since its launch in 2002. Established by Terry O'Malley, former Chairman of the Toronto-based ad agency Vickers and Benson Advertising (now Arnold Worldwide), the annual lecture focuses on advertising, marketing, and the mass media, examining the role they play in modern society. O'Malley, who spent more than 30 years in advertising, was inducted this year into the Canadian Marketing Hall of Legends.

Tickets are free, but reservations must be made through the Centre for the Arts.

For more information, go to [www.brocku.ca](http://www.brocku.ca) and click on "News."



TERRY O'MALLEY LECTURE  
IN MARKETING AND ADVERTISING

## Conference submissions exhibit diversity of research

Graduate students and researchers from all six academic Faculties submitted abstracts to the second annual Mapping the New Knowledges Conference to be held Tuesday, April 10 and Wednesday, April 11 in Pond Inlet.

Ninety-five abstracts, a significant increase from last year, were submitted to the Conference Program Committee by the Feb. 5 deadline. Of the submissions, 82 are from graduate students and 13 are from faculty members. There will be 53 oral presentations and 42 poster presentations.

Research topics show a great range in diversity, including presentations about active living and public leisure services, the social implications of Alfred Tennyson's *Idylls of the King*, female risk-taking behaviours, new approaches in mortuary archaeology in the Bronze Age, a transdisciplinary approach to understanding dominant autism discourses, potential applications to liquid laundry formulations, the impact of inhaled corticosteroids on bone properties in children and adolescents, and the impact of childhood obesity on bone strength.

Marilyn Rose, Dean, Graduate Studies, said the conference is a tremendous opportunity to showcase and celebrate Brock's research initiatives and to familiarize graduate students with a professional process by which knowledge is disseminated.

"These research papers and posters are an indication of great strides Brock has made in its transformation to a research-intensive university," said Michael Owen, Associate Vice-President, Research. "The close connections between teaching, mentoring and research emerge from these collaborations between our faculty and our graduate students."

Brock President Jack Lightstone will deliver the keynote address at 7 p.m. on April 10 and Dr. Noreen Golfman, president of the Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences, will deliver the plenary address at 9 a.m. on April 11.

New this year are adjudicated prizes for both oral and poster presentations, and many of the student presenters have indicated a desire to have their research submissions judged by an adjudication committee.

Of the 34 graduate students whose research will be judged, 19 are oral presentations and 15 are poster presentations.

The conference is sponsored by Graduate Studies and the Office of Research Services.

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at 4 p.m. in the Fireplace Lounge at Alan Earp Residence. That same day, professional practitioners will have the unique opportunity to participate in a one-day Master Class with Jones, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., in Pond Inlet. Registration for the day, including lunch, is \$20 and must be pre-booked by contacting David Fancy at [dfancy@brocku.ca](mailto:dfancy@brocku.ca)

For more information about the Creative Arts Therapies symposium visit [www.brocku.ca/CAT](http://www.brocku.ca/CAT)

## Alumni Association recognizes 30 outstanding grads

With more than 56,000 graduates to date, Brock University alumni are leaving their mark on Canada and beyond. The Brock University Alumni Association, which was started in 1967, was officially incorporated in the 1976-77 school year. To mark the 30th anniversary of incorporation, the Alumni Association is honouring 30 Brock graduates from any graduating year with the "Thirty from the Past Thirty" Awards.

The purpose of these awards is to acknowledge those graduates who are the epitome of Brock University's core values - imagination, innovation, and commitment - and who exemplify these values through their scholarly, creative, humanitarian, or professional contributions to Canada and abroad.

The recipients of the "Thirty From the Past Thirty Awards" are:

- Leonard Bishop, BA '67, Niagara Falls, Ont., teacher and educational administrator
- Marty Calder, BPhEd '92, Thorold, Ont., wrestling coach and olympian
- Rick Campanelli, BPhEd '94, Hamilton, Ont., entertainment reporter and former MuchMusic VJ
- David Civiero, BA '90, Glen Williams, Ont., founder of Link-Line Group of Companies and Accu-Link Call Centres
- Dr. Linda Crabtree, BA, '87, LL.D. (hon.) '94, St. Catharines, Ont., advocate for people living with disabilities
- Dr. Richard Denton, BSc '71, medical practitioner and former Mayor of Kirkland Lake
- Christina Doyle, BEd '78, Richmond Hill, Ont., teacher, entertainer and cancer survivor
- Dr. Roberta L. Flemming, BSc '85, mineralogist and advocate for careers in science
- Dr. Dorothy Griffiths, BA '73, Welland, Ont., professor and mental health advocate
- Dr. Mary Guerriero Austrom, BA '81; BEd '80, Indianapolis, IN, expert in the field of Alzheimer's disease
- Dr. Brian S. Helstrom, BSc '87, Burlington, Ont., expert in the field of computer science and information technology
- Alfred Ilukena, BA '88, BEdTSL '89, senior official with the Namibian Ministry of Education
- Robert (Rob) Jennings, BA '68, Calgary, Alta., founder of Jennings Capital Inc.
- Dr. Xiao-chun (Chris) Le, MSc '89, Edmonton, Alta., researcher in the field of environmental toxicology and health sciences

- Dr. Antoon Leenaars, BA '75, Windsor, Ont., psychologist specializing in suicide
  - Donald A. MacIntosh, BA '76, Toronto, Ont., war crimes prosecutor
  - David MacKenzie, BA '74, Ridgeville, Ont., actor, director and playwright
  - Ken Murray, BPhEd '76, Dundas, Ont., Brock Badgers men's basketball coach
  - Susan Pedler, BA '97, Windsor, Ont., journalist
  - Maureen Piercy, MEd '90, Trenton, Ont., President, Loyalist College
  - Dr. Amy C. Plint, BSc '87, Ottawa, Ont., pediatrician
  - Dr. Ronald B. Rogge, BSc '87; MSc '90, Deep River, Ont., material scientist with the National Research Council Canada
  - Debi Rosati, BAdmin '84, Ottawa, Ont., venture catalyst
  - Yuri Rubinsky, BA '72, (deceased), publishing visionary
  - Prof. Gary J. Schrobilgen, FRSC, MSc '71, Greensville, Ont., international expert in inorganic chemistry
  - Dr. Barbara L. Sherriff, MSc '84, Winnipeg, Man., geologist and professor at the University of Manitoba
  - John Suk, BSc '73, St. Catharines, Ont., president and CEO, ALTANA Pharma Inc.
  - Dr. Garry W. Timco, BSc '73, Orleans, Ont., geophysicist with National Research Council Canada
  - Tonya Verbeek, BRLS '00, BEd '03, MED '06, Beamsville, Ont., Olympic Silver medalist in women's wrestling.
  - Doug Wilkinson, BBA '91, Greenwood, Ont., chartered accountant and partner at Deloitte
- "By honouring a sample of the excellence that has been developed at Brock, we are showcasing our entire alumni community," says Richard Knabenschuh, BUAA President. "These awards are not necessarily intended to identify Brock's top 30 grads, but rather display the diversity of Brock University and showcase the wonderful ambassadors who exemplify Brock's core values."
- The 30 graduates selected for the awards will be honoured at a gala to be held on Saturday, March 3, which will be hosted by 91.7 GIANT FM Morning Show hosts Brian Salmon and Rita Fornier. All nominees, graduates, and community members will be welcome to attend this event. Tickets are available through the Brock University Centre for the Arts at ext. 3257.

For more information about the Alumni Association or the "Thirty from the Past Thirty" Awards, please contact Terry Cockerline, Executive Director, Brock University Alumni Association, at ext. 4502.

## Students represent Brock at International Leadership Forum

From Feb. 8 to the 11, Business students Adam Pappas and Scott McKay attended the Student Leadership Forum in St. Louis, Mo. The Forum was hosted by the International Honors Society, Beta Gamma Sigma. Membership in Beta Gamma Sigma is awarded to the highest achieving students enrolled in institutions accredited by AACSB International (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business). Pappas and McKay represented Brock and Canada at this four-day international conference, which brought together 60 students from across North America and Great Britain.

The Forum included many prestigious speakers, including a keynote address from Bernard J. Milano, President of KPMG Foundation; Donald F. Parker, past President of Beta Gamma Sigma; Cheryl Morley, Senior Vice-President

at Monsanto; and S. Alyssa Groom, a senior account planner for MARC USA. Students participated in seminars and lectures that focused on developing personal leadership abilities, with a strong focus on work-life balance and corporate ethics.

Pappas and McKay are members of Brock's Beta Gamma Sigma Chapter, which is awarded to the top seven per cent of third-year undergraduate students, 10 per cent of graduates from BBA and BAcc programs and the top 20 per cent of graduate students in the Faculty of Business. More information on the Brock Chapter of Beta Gamma Sigma can be found at [www.bus.brocku.ca/current/bgs](http://www.bus.brocku.ca/current/bgs)

Pappas and McKay extend their gratitude to Dean Martin Kusy in the Faculty of Business for affording them the opportunity to represent Brock University.

## Coming Soon... The Learning Commons

Planning for the Brock Learning Commons has gained considerable momentum in recent months. With input from students, the learning commons partners and various advisory groups, Diamond & Schmitt Architects Inc. completed a major feasibility study in late 2006, and produced an exciting design layout that incorporates and transforms the upper level of the former University Bookstore and the main floor of the James A. Gibson Library. Floor plans and artist renderings will be on display in the Library in the near future.

The successful BUSU referendum outcome last November marked a significant milestone for the Learning Commons. In that referendum, students provided a strong endorsement of the Learning Commons by approving a proposal to commit \$1 million to the project over the next five years.

In developing an architectural design for the Learning Commons, the major focus has been on the creation of academic space that will promote and facilitate informal learning (the learning that takes place outside the classroom). Planning has been informed by site visits to learning commons at other universities and by the developing body of research related to the relationship between design and independent learning. It is clear that a number of elements are critical for such a space to be successful:

- it should be welcoming, comfortable, and inspiring - this involves physical comfort (furniture, ambience and proximity to food), as well as display space to celebrate the accomplishments of learning;
- it must provide group study space in support of collaborative learning, as well as areas for individual study, with appropriate zoning for noise;
- it must offer a robust technology infrastructure where students may use provided equipment or their own wireless devices; and it must afford ready access to an array of learning support services. With respect to this last requirement, the Brock Learning Commons incorporates a Writing Centre, thereby providing increased emphasis on services that will help students improve their writing skills.

The design of the Learning Commons will facilitate the integration of learning support services provided by the Learning Commons partners (Library, Student Development Centre, Career Services, and the Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies.) Collaborative programming will provide students with opportunities to acquire basic essential skills, and will help them to establish connections among processes such as critical thinking, studying, reading strategies, information seeking and essay writing. Student peers will play a vital role in the delivery of Learning Commons programming, and will serve as important role models to other students. Referrals to additional support services on campus, such as academic advising, also will be an important aspect of service delivery.

Regular updates on the Learning Commons project will be provided over the next few months as the pace of development increases.



# Brock Student Ambassadors have another "outstanding" year

Once again, the Brock Student Ambassadors have brought home a coveted award. At this year's CASE/ASAP District II conference, held at Philadelphia University, Penn., the Brock Student Ambassadors received the prestigious Outstanding External Program Award. They were competing against 20 schools from Canada and the United States. The award was granted for their Brock Student Ambassador Bursary Award. The Ambassadors created the bursary by donating \$10,000 through the Ontario Trust for Student Support (OTSS) program. Their donation was matched by the government and realized a sum in excess of \$23,000 for the bursary.

The Ambassadors also won the coveted Spirit Award. This is given to the school that not only shows spirit for their own school but encourages spirit in students from other schools.

The recent "apple juice war" challenge between the Ambassadors and staff members of the Office of Alumni Relations, Development and Donor Relations and University Communications generated approximately 100 large cans of apple juice, which Ambassadors donated to the Out of the Cold Program where they volunteer weekly.

The Touch of Home program continues to be the main fundraiser for the group. The latest addition to the program is the Plan of the Year. At the beginning of the school year, parents place an order for gift items which are delivered to their students each month throughout the school year.

For information about the Brock Student Ambassadors, contact Lynne Irion at lynirion@brocku.ca or ext. 3251.

# Bobby Noble to speak at Brock

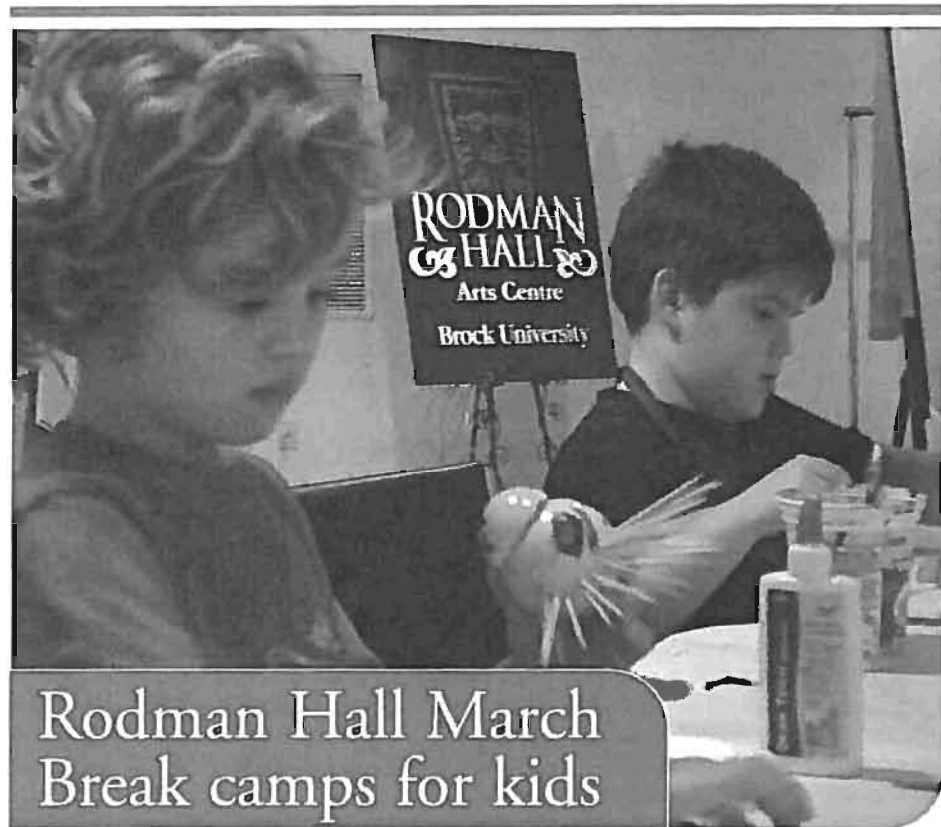
The Positive Space Campaign Committee, Department of Sociology, Social Justice and Equity Studies Program, and the Office of Human Rights and Equity Services are pleased to host Dr. Bobby Noble, presenting "Sons of the Movement: FtM Transsexual Men and the Politics of Incoherence."

The presentation, which is open to the public, will take place Friday, March 2, from 1 to 2:30 p.m., in Academic South 215. It is presented free of charge thanks to sponsorship of the Department of Sociology and the Social Justice and Equity Studies Program.

Noble is an Assistant Professor of sexuality and gender studies in the new

Sexuality Studies Minor, housed in the School of Women's Studies at York University. He completed his doctorate at York in 2000, and after teaching at the University of Victoria, he returned to join the faculty at York in July 2006. His areas of research focus on sexuality, gender, anti-racist whiteness, and popular culture through feminist cultural studies. In particular, his work looks at the intersections of masculinity, embodiment, and sexuality in the fields of transsexual/transgender studies, queer theory and cultural studies.

For more information, please contact Lynne Bubic, Human Rights and Equity Services, at ext. 4019.



Looking for a place to let your kids and their creativity run wild during March Break?

Rodman Hall Arts Centre offers week-long March Break camps for ages 5 to 12.

- **Art Blast!** is a fun-filled camp for children ages 5 to 8. Your young ones will embark on an adventure in art as they explore painting, drawing, sculpture, and more in a week of unexpected creative surprises.
- **Art Break!** is a chance for budding artists ages 9 to 12 to explore different methods of painting, drawing, printmaking and sculpture. They will learn all about artists past and present while they

work, and then have a chance to test their skills in an Art Trivia party at the end of the week.

Taught by local artists Wendy Bering and Nancy Zimmerman, Rodman Hall March Break Art Camp runs March 12 to 16, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost per child is \$165 (plus GST), or \$155 (plus GST) for members of Rodman Hall. Space is limited!

Register by phone at 905-688-5550, ext. 4775, or in person at our new Welcome Centre at Rodman Hall, 109 St. Paul Crescent, St. Catharines. For more information and full course listings, visit us on the web at [www.brocku.ca/rodmanhall/education](http://www.brocku.ca/rodmanhall/education)

## Mediatalk People in the news

**Adam Dickinson**, Assistant Professor in the Department of English Language and Literature, was interviewed by the *Bracebridge Examiner* for an article that appeared on Jan. 3. In the article, entitled "Author Examines the Science of Poetics," Dickinson discusses aspects of his research and how it connects to his teaching.

**Gordon Hatt**, Director/Curator of Rodman Hall Arts Centre, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Feb. 2 article, entitled "New Life for a venerable building." The article highlights a number of changes under Hatt's direction that have made Rodman Hall more presentable and connected to the community.

Associate Professor of Visual Arts **Derek Knight** was interviewed by the *Oakville Beaver* about his role curating the current exhibition on display at Oakville Galleries, for a Feb. 2 article, entitled "Art exhibit examines clash between culture and nature." The exhibition, *Re-Envisioning Habitat*, features the work of 12 artists from Oakville Galleries' permanent collection that investigate everything from consumption and industry to environmental stewardship and picturesque scenery.

Assistant Professor of Child and Youth Studies and Criminologist **Voula Marinou** was interviewed on local radio station AM 610 CKTB's "Drive at Five" program on Feb. 5 about the significance, challenges and implications of the Stephen Truscott appeal.

**Gyllian Raby**, Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of Dramatic Arts, was recently interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for an Feb. 7 article about the free video sharing website YouTube, entitled "The oddball, online world of YouTube." Raby was also interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Feb. 9 article about her role directing the Department of Dramatic Arts' main stage production of *Unity (1918)*, the Governor General's Award-winning play by Kevin Kerr.

**Rosemary Hale**, Dean of Humanities, was a guest on radio station AM 610

CKTB's "Six O'clock News Hour" program on Feb. 9, where she discussed the proposed performing arts centre in downtown St. Catharines.

**Isabelle Lesschaeve**, Director of the Cool Climate, Oenology and Viticulture Institute was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a feature profile story that appeared in the newspaper's Feb. 10 Spectrum section, entitled "A taste for fine local wine."

Professor Emeritus of Philosophy **David Goicoechea** was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for its "15 minutes with..." column about his ongoing research project that looks at 2,000 years of Christian love, entitled "Research goes back 2,000 years." The article appeared in the Feb. 12 edition of the newspaper.

Professor Political Science **Garth Stevenson** was interviewed on AM 610 CKTB's "Drive at Five" program on Feb. 15, where he discussed the possibility of a spring federal election.

**Charles Burton**, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science, recently conducted the following media interviews and appearances:

- Interviewed by Toronto's Online Chinese Community website (torcn.com) for a Feb. 16 article (in Chinese), entitled "Interview with Chinese Spring Festival Show Foreign Host Huang Cheng'an" about his role hosting and performing a Chinese New Year comedic dialogue (xiangsheng) with the Mainland Chinese media personality Jin Dong on-stage at the Toronto Centre for the Arts on Feb. 10. Huang Cheng'an is Burton's Chinese name.
- Interviewed by *Sing Tao Daily* for a Feb. 10 article (in Chinese), "Seeking to Save Huseyin Celil Harper Does not Stint Sacrificing Trade."
- Interviewed about the impact of the Huseyin Celil case on Canada-China relations on the Feb. 9 edition of the Radio Canada International program "The Link."
- References to his views on the Huseyin Celil matter in the Feb. 6, *Globe and Mail* article, "PM irked as diplomats miss activist's hearing," published on page A1 of the newspaper.

For more in-depth information of Burton's media appearances, including audio clips and links to online articles, please visit: <http://spartan.ac.brocku.ca/~cburton>

## The Department of Visual Arts

P R E S E N T S . . .

**Life Takes VISA:** On display from Thursday, March 1 to Sunday, March 25, at Rodman Hall Arts Centre, 109 St. Paul Crescent, St. Catharines. Opening reception: Thursday, March 1, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Once a year, students from the Department of Visual Arts submit their best artwork in a competition for inclusion in an annual exhibition juried by professional artists. This year's juried exhibition showcases the diverse range and depth of talent that exists in the dynamic and growing art program at Brock. Life Takes VISA will be juried by two well-respected Niagara artists, Tobey Anderson and Carolyn Wren.

Rodman Hall Arts Centre Gallery hours are Monday through Thursday from 12 noon to 9 p.m., and Friday through Sunday from 12 noon to 5 p.m. Admission is free and everyone is welcome.

**Fragments (one of us has rabies):** On display from Monday, March 5 to Saturday, March 17, at The Gallery, Sean O'Sullivan Theatre, Brock University. Opening reception:

Monday, March 5, from 5 to 7 p.m.

Seventeen artists from the Department of Visual Arts will showcase their work in this impressive exhibit that includes a selection of drawings with a diversity of approaches, subjects, and techniques. The drawings also vary greatly in size, and they were created in response to specific assignments, or as part of each student's individual body of works realized over the term.

Participating artists include: Gustavo Cerquera, Dania Chaarani, Candace Couse, Erin Crawford, Shauna Daley, Brian Durocher, Nijah Emery, Jane Gold, Jessica Hay, Kristina Jessome, Clayton Letourneau, Heather Lokstet, Felix Ma, Andrea Melicherikova, Melody Mitchell, Will Postma, Alana Schultz.

The Sean O'Sullivan Theatre Gallery hours are Monday to Friday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, 12 noon to 4 p.m. Admission is free and everyone is welcome.

For more information, please contact Marie Balsom, Co-ordinator, School of Fine and Performing Arts, at ext. 4765; e-mail: [mbalsom@brocku.ca](mailto:mbalsom@brocku.ca)

# Renowned documentary filmmaker to screen new film at Brock



Alanis Obomsawin

Alanis Obomsawin is a member of the Abenaki Nation and one of Canada's most distinguished documentary filmmakers. Her new National Film Board of Canada feature documentary, *Waban-Aki: People from Where the Sun Rises*, was launched in the fall of 2006 and will be screened at Brock University on Monday, March 5, from 8 to 10 p.m., in the David S. Howes Theatre. Obomsawin will be available after the screening for discussion with the

audience.

Admission is free for this event and everyone is welcome to attend. This event is co-sponsored by the Aboriginal Education Council, Aboriginal Student Services, Department of Communications, Popular Culture and Film, Tecumseh Centre for Aboriginal Research and Education, Faculty of Social Sciences and the Humanities Research Institute at Brock.

In what may be her most personal film, *Obomsawin* returns to her roots with this intimate look into the Abenaki culture. Through a series of interviews, she crafts a vivid portrait of a people: from a young artist determined to continue the tradition of birch bark canoes to the damning legacy of the Indian Act. Obomsawin traces the roots of her people from modern New England, through the Maritimes and to Québec. A film of history and hope, *Waban-Aki* is a moving addition to the legacy of one of Canada's greatest filmmakers.

For more information, go to [www.brocku.ca](http://www.brocku.ca) and click on "News."

## Brock Briefs

### "Making A Difference" Awards Luncheon

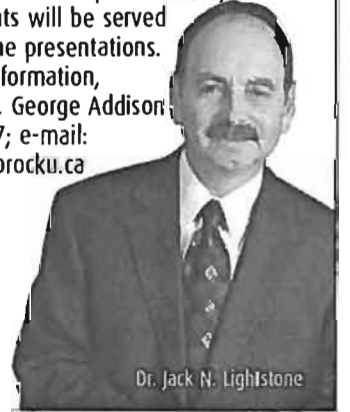
Services for Students with disabilities is proud to sponsor the seventh Annual "Making A Difference" Awards luncheon featuring guest speaker, Dr. Mark Nagler, author and internationally renowned motivational speaker, on Thursday, April 5, in Pond Inlet from 12 noon to 2 p.m. The luncheon will provide an opportunity to recognize members of the Brock community who have made a significant contribution to the successful academic lives of students with disabilities. Reserve your complimentary ticket by contacting the Student Development Centre Office at ext. 4225, by March 29. When confirming your ticket, please advise of any accessibility or dietary needs.

### Alphie's website – now live!

Alphie's Faculty and Staff Club website is now up and running at [www.brocku.ca/alphies](http://www.brocku.ca/alphies). Check out daily lunch specials, after work events, booking and reservation information, view menus and contact us with your suggestions and comments.

### Faith Fair 2007

Brock President Jack Lightstone will be the keynote speaker at the fourth annual Faith Fair, today from 7 to 10 p.m., in Pond Inlet. The event celebrates the diversity of faith traditions at the University, and includes displays and literature tables from a number of campus and community faith groups. Lightstone's address will be followed by three responses that will centre on the theme of this year's fair: "Love in the Religious Traditions from Different Religious Points of View." The Fair will also feature spiritual music sung by soprano Melissa Shriner, accompanied by Leslie Kingham. Faith Fair 2007 is sponsored by Campus Ministries, Faculty of Humanities, Student Services, BUSU, Brock Diversity and the Brock Philosophical Society. Refreshments will be served following the presentations. For more information, contact Rev. George Addison at ext. 3977; e-mail: [gaddison@brocku.ca](mailto:gaddison@brocku.ca)



Dr. Jack N. Lightstone

## Faculty and Staff

### EDUCATION

**Lorenzo Cherubini** delivered the following presentation, "The complexities of ethical decision-making: Prospective teachers' critical awareness," at the 10th annual meeting of the American Association of Behavioral and Social Sciences, in Las Vegas, Nev., on Feb. 8.

**Lorenzo Cherubini** and **Julian Kitchen** delivered a presentation, entitled "The collective cogency of professional susceptibility: A content analysis of student-teachers' critical reflections," at the 10th annual meeting of the American Association of Behavioral and Social Sciences, in Las Vegas, Nev., on Feb. 9.

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

**Adam Dickinson** was recently invited by Laurentian University in Sudbury, Ont., to read from and talk about his new book *Kingdom, Phylum*. He read as part of the University's "Luminaries" series which presents "names to watch in Canadian poetry."

### MATHEMATICS

**Thomas Wolf** gave a talk, entitled "Parallel sparsening and simplification of systems of equations" at the Mathematical Sciences Research Institute (MSRI) at the University of California, Berkeley, at the workshop "Interactive Parallel Computation in Support of Research in Algebra, Geometry and Number Theory," in February 2007.

## Publications

**Amprimo, Alexandre L.** "Prince de l'Alef : I-V" *LittéRéalité*. (Automne-Hiver 2006). 53.2. Pp. 49-53.

**Amprimo, Alexandre L.** "Sur le premier poème de Germain Nouveau: 'Sonnet d'été'". *Les Lettres Romanes*. LIX, 3-4. Pp. 233-7.

**Ditor D. S., John S.M., Roy J., Marx J., Kittmer C., Weaver L.C.** "The effects of polyethylene glycol and magnesium sulphate administration on clinically relevant neurological outcomes after spinal cord injury in the rat." *Journal of Neuroscience Research* (In press).

**Ditor D. S., Bao F., Chen Y., Dekaban G.A., Weaver L.C.** "A therapeutic time window for anti-CD11d monoclonal antibody treatment yielding reduced secondary tissue damage and enhanced behavioral recovery following severe spinal cord injury." *Journal of Neurosurgery: Spine* 5: 343-52, 2006.

**Kitchen, J.** (2006). "Setting the Stage for a Narrative Inquiry: Negotiating Relationships and Understanding School Landscapes". *Alberta Journal of Educational Research*, 52(4), pp. 251-264.

**Malleck, Dan.** (2006). "Pure Drugs and Professional Druggists: Food and Drug Laws in Canada, 1870s-1908." *Pharmacy in History*, Vol 48 (3):103-115.

**Singh, R. Raj.** "Heidegger, World and Ground." *Existential: International Journal of Philosophy*, Vol. XVI (2006): 393-404.

**Stevens, J.** (2006). "Women's Hockey in Canada: Going for Gold." In D. Whitson and R. Gruneau (Eds.) *Artificial Ice: hockey, commerce and Canadian culture*. (pp. 85-100). Aurora, Ont.: Garamond Press.

## Events

**Centre for the Arts:** All performances begin at 7:30 p.m., in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise noted. For tickets and more information, please call the Box Office at ext. 3257, or visit [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca)

Upcoming performances include: Aengus Finnan with special guest Lynn Miles, Feb. 28; New Zealand Maori Body Percussion and Poi Workshop with WAI, Feb. 28 at 6:30 p.m. at Robertson Hall; WAI, March 1; Simian Theatre: 3...2...1, March 2; The Chucky Danger Band, March 8; The Standard OrchEXTRA! Emmett Does Clapton featuring Rik Emmett, the Jeans n' Classics Band and Niagara Symphony, March 10; Little Bear & The Enchanted Wood (for ages 4+), March 11 at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.; David Usher with Dala, March 15 at 7:30 p.m.; Gordie Sampson with special guest Andy Stochansky, March 17 at 7:30 p.m.; Barrage (SOLD OUT!), March 23 at 7:30 p.m.; Classic Albums Live: Pink Floyd - The Wall, March 29 at 7:30 p.m.; Samarabalouf!, March 31 at 7:30 p.m.

**Music@Noon:** The Department of Music presents a recital featuring piano students on Tuesday, March 6 and a recital featuring voice students on Tuesday, March 13. Both recitals begin at 12 noon in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Admission is free. All are welcome.

**Tri-University Women's Chorus Festival** featuring the Brock University Women's Chorus, the University of Windsor Women's Choir and the University of Guelph Women's Choir "Siren" on Saturday, March 10, at 7:30 pm, at St. Thomas Anglican Church, located at 99 Ontario St., St. Catharines. \$15 tickets through the Box Office, ext. 3257, or at the door. Presented by the Department of Music.

"**Spaces**" is an exhibition designed to illustrate the many different spaces such as physical, mental and spiritual that surround us. The exhibition is curated by three fourth-year art students, Shauna Madden, Amanda Terra, and Natalie Zammit. The exhibition will be on display until March 3 at the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre.

**Brock University Film Society (BUFS):** The BUFS Winter series continues after Reading Week. On March 4, BUFS presents *The History Boys* (Nicholas Hytner, UK, 2006, 109 mins. 14A), based on Alan Bennett's hit play, in which unruly Yorkshire teenage boys in pursuit of sex and sport are pressured to get into elite universities. On March 11, join us for the dramatic story of a woman and her lover being spied upon by government agents in the former East Germany. *The Lives of Others* (Florian Henckel von Donnersmarck, Germany, 2006, 137 mins. 14A) is a Golden Globe and Oscar nominee for Best Foreign Language Film. For more information, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/cpcf](http://www.brocku.ca/cpcf) and click on "links." Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance through the Brock Centre for the Arts Box Office. Prices are \$6 for BUFS members and students, \$8 for non-members. Memberships are also available through the Centre for the Arts. Call Amanda Bishop at ext. 3553 for more information.

**Department of Biological Sciences 2007 Winter Seminar Series:** Friday, March 2: Dr. Dean Della Penna, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Michigan State University. Title: "Tocopherol Synthesis and Function in Plants (or 'Is it possible to do well and good in your research at the same time?')." Thursday, March 8 – MC H313: Dr. Albrecht Schulte-Hostedde, Department of Biology, Laurentian University. Title: "Sexual selection and ejaculate investment – empirical tests of theory." Friday, March 9: Dr. Ralph Brown, School of Engineering, University of Guelph. Title: TBA. Unless specified otherwise, all seminars are at 12 noon, in H313

**Brock University Archaeological Society (BUAS) 18th Annual Scholarly Symposium:** Come and hear six guest speakers present papers on this year's theme: "Beyond the Grave: Ancient Death and Ritual". The symposium will take place on Saturday, March 3, from 12 noon to 5:30 p.m., in the Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber. This event is co-ordinated by BUAS, and everyone is welcome. A light luncheon will be served during the break period. Registration fees are \$10 and are payable on the day of the symposium. For more information, please visit [www.brocku.ca/buas](http://www.brocku.ca/buas)



# BrockNews

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2007

A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## Niagara Interactive New Media Incubator

The recent announcement of the Ontario government's \$1.8-million investment in support of Ontario's creative industries is good news for the proposed Niagara Interactive New Media Incubator (NINMI), Brock University and its community partners, which include Niagara College, the City of St. Catharines Economic and Development Department and the New Media Business Alliance.

Brock and its partners received \$50,000 to conduct a feasibility study for an incubator portal in Niagara that will provide access for new and existing digital media entrepreneurs to a network of expertise and media technologies. The incubator will be virtual and physical, providing services and programs for digital entrepreneurs at various stages of development.

"I am especially excited about this award. It's a first step in creating an incubator in the area of new media, an industry that has enormous potential for future economic development in the region," says Rosemary Hale, Dean, Faculty of Humanities. "And, with our program in Interactive Arts we will be providing, along with our partners, an outstanding talent pool for the success of those participating in the incubator project."

For more information, go to [www.brocku.ca](http://www.brocku.ca) and click on "News."

## Brock Niagara Penguins receives funding

Brock Niagara Penguins, administered through the Centre for Healthy Development through Sport and Physical Activity at Brock University, was recently presented with \$30,500 from the Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) Grant Program.

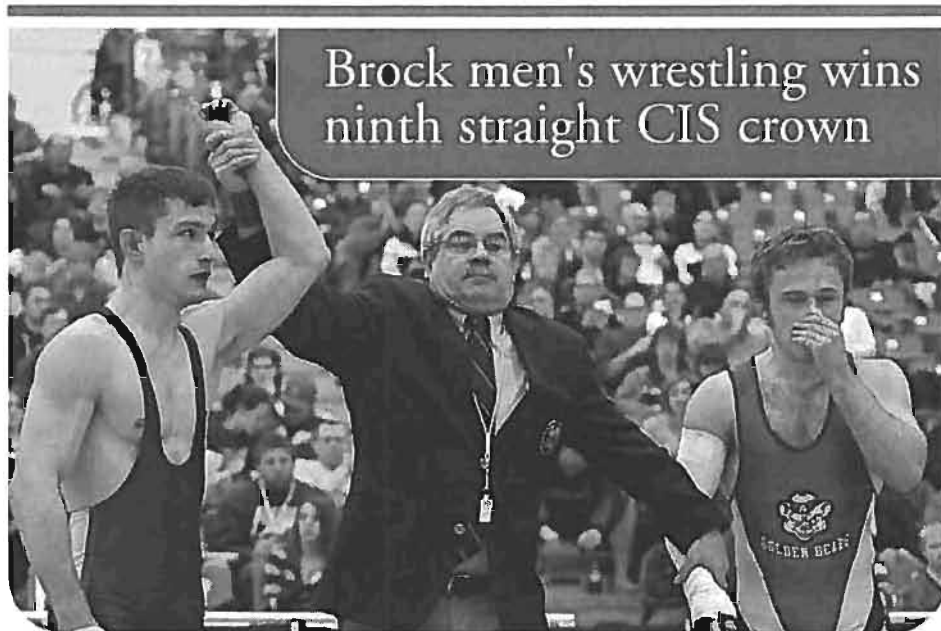
Brock Niagara Penguins is Niagara's premier competitive swim and gym program for athletes with physical disabilities. Brock Niagara Penguins is one of the programs offered through Recreational Services at Brock University.

"Through the generous support of Ronald McDonald House Charities, these funds will be used to purchase an accessible pool lift, indoor sport wheelchairs, and indoor sledges," says Dr. James Mandigo, Co-Director of the Centre. "This equipment will provide Niagara residents with disabilities to take part in recreational programs that promote a healthy and active lifestyle."

The mandate of RMHC is to assist registered charities whose programs are community-oriented, and focus on improving the quality of life for children and families of children with serious and/or life-threatening illnesses or disabilities.

Registration is now open for the Spring session scheduled to take place from April 3 to June 9. Brock Niagara Penguins will host a special event on Monday, April 2, at Stonechurch Vineyards in Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont. World-record marathon swimmer Vicki Keith will join 15-year-old Jenna Lambert as the keynote speakers. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased in advance by calling 905-359-6283.

For more information about the Brock Niagara Penguins and to register, please contact [www.niagarapenguins.org](http://www.niagarapenguins.org)



Brock men's wrestling wins ninth straight CIS crown

Brock wrestler Jamie Macari with his hand raised in victory after defeating the University of Alberta's Anthony Kulak by technical superiority in the 54 kg final at the Canadian Interuniversity Sport Wrestling Championship on March 3 in Saskatoon, Sask.

The Brock University men's wrestling team captured their ninth straight Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) Wrestling Championship on March 3 at the University of Saskatchewan. Brock and Simon Fraser University (SFU) tied with 53 points each, but the tiebreaker was determined by total gold medals; Brock had two golds to SFU's one. The host Huskies placed third with 51 points.

Fifth-year student Jamie Macari (St. Catharines) made history, becoming the first wrestler to finish his varsity career with five straight OUA and CIS individual titles. He

ended his University career with a perfect 35-0 record at OUA and CIS championships. In the championship final at 54 kg, Macari won by technical superiority over University of Alberta's Anthony Kulak. Macari also was named the CIS Most Outstanding Wrestler of the Year and was the recipient of the R. W. Pugh Award for Fair Play. Macari was the original CIS Male Rookie of the Year in 2002-03.

The highlight match came in the 90 kg category where Brock rookie standout Alex Brown-Theriault (Ottawa) defeated top

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## Brock will help Niagara to move forward: Lightstone



Dr. Jack N. Lightstone

Gone are the days when Niagara thrives largely on a manufacturing-based economy; the region's future success lies in knowledge and knowledge-based activities.

This was one of the messages delivered by Brock President Jack Lightstone at a Town Hall Meeting to the Brock community on March 7.

No institution is in a better position than Brock to help move Niagara forward economically, culturally and socially, Lightstone told the audience gathered in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. With its cutting-edge research initiatives and its rapid and diverse growth in graduate education, the University will be able to provide the

knowledge critical to the region's growth.

Niagara and Brock are both at crossroads, said Lightstone. The region, as it overcomes its over-reliance on traditional industrial manufacturing, will look to Brock as an important partner in its efforts to compete in an increasingly global economy. While there is a limit to how quickly or how hard people can work, there is no limit to new and bright ideas.

Brock is poised to work with the region to become an incubator for these creative solutions and innovations, he said, "to ensure that students' ideas fly here rather than somewhere else."

The University is also at a crossroads, he added. Student enrolment has reached a plateau, faculty has greatly increased and research is pervasive throughout the campus. And now is the time, he said, to discard the aloofness associated with an "ivory tower" image by taking knowledge to the region, to Canada and to the world.

Hindering Brock's progress at present, said Lightstone, is an insufficient operating budget and the fact that the University has the most under-spaced campus in Ontario.

Lightstone also fielded audience questions on issues ranging from the importance of information technology on campus, morale, building maintenance and student involvement.

He said he has experienced a deep sense of family and community at Brock.

"Families hang together, they see themselves through the tough times and the good times, and they really gather strength from one another," he said. "And that's what we'll do."

## Review of weather criteria underway

Over the next several weeks, the University will conduct an evaluation of the criteria for basing decisions on the cancellation of classes during weather-related conditions.

This evaluation comes in the aftermath of the Feb. 14 snow conditions and the Brock community's reaction to the University's decision to hold morning classes.

Steven Pillar, Vice-President, Finance and Administration, says as part of a review of criteria, the University will be proposing a shift in its approach toward winter class cancellations.

"In the past there has been a reluctance to cancel classes unless absolutely necessary and the inclination from the community, based on recent experience, is for us to be less rigid in this regard," he says. "If the University is to become more inclined to cancel because of weather, then Brock will need to offset the lost class time by increasing the number of snow days at the end of semester. There is somewhat of a balancing act to this and we want to be sure people understand that before we proceed."

"Overall, it is important that we take this opportunity to establish effective criteria that we can implement consistently in order to address the concerns of our community and, at the same time, accommodate the requirements of the academic program."

Pillar says the review will involve collecting information and feedback in a number of ways. The University will look at the processes and criteria in place at other institutions. A memo will be sent out to Faculties, administrative departments, union representatives, the Brock University Students' Union and the Graduate Students' Association to ask for input. The Brock community is invited to provide feedback in writing. Comments can be e-mailed to [universitycom@brocku.ca](mailto:universitycom@brocku.ca) by March 30.

The assessment of weather-related criteria and guidelines will be applied in accordance with policy and procedures currently in place for the interruption of normal operations.

"Once the input stage is completed, we will share with the Brock community a proposal for new criteria to be considered as we work toward finalizing our position," says Pillar.

**Brock men's wrestling...continues**  
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seeded Ali Al-Rekabi from SFU. After losing 6-0 in the first round, Brown regrouped and won the next two rounds by scores of 2-1 and 3-2 for his first CIS individual title.

The Brock men's wrestling dynasty has won 12 national championships in total, including a CIS record nine straight.

For more information on how the women's and rest of the men's wrestling teams performed at the 2006-07 CIS Wrestling Championship, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/athletics](http://www.brocku.ca/athletics)

## 2007 Niagara Parenting Conference



Registration is now open for Brock's ninth annual Niagara Parenting Conference "It's not the Simpsons or the Cleavers," taking place Saturday, April 21, at Denis Morris High School in St. Catharines. The keynote speaker for this year's conference will be Dr. Jean Clinton, a child and adolescent psychiatrist and an Assistant Clinical Professor, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Neuroscience at McMaster University.

Clinton is an inspiring speaker with an interest in early child development, parenting and asset building. She is an advocate for children's issues and her community involvement includes serving as the Ontario Director of the Council for Early Child Development and Chair of the Hamilton Early Learning Partnership – Best Practice Evaluation Committee.

Afternoon workshops include:

- Where is Nanny 911? Setting Limits without Losing It!
- Off Balance? Feeling Busy but Not Productive?
- Let's Talk World!
- Fostering Positive Body Image and Preventing Disordered Eating in Our Children
- Promoting Self-Esteem in Children and Teens: What Parents and Families Can Do
- Preventing Bullying Involvement: How Parents Can Help

The conference will also host an extensive marketplace of commercial and non-profit organizations providing books, toys, crafts and unique parenting services. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged for this conference, and is on a first-come, first-served basis. Cost: \$25 single, \$40 couple. Some bursaries are available.

For more information on conference registration and costs, please contact the Niagara Parenting Conference at 905-688-5550, ext. 4070, [npc@brocku.ca](mailto:npc@brocku.ca) or visit the website: [www.brocku.ca/niagaraparentingconference](http://www.brocku.ca/niagaraparentingconference)



The Brock University Alumni Association honoured recipients of its "Thirty From the Past Thirty" Awards on March 3 at a gala held at the Quality Inn in St. Catharines. Those honoured were recognized for their scholarly, creative, humanitarian and professional contributions to Canada and abroad. Pictured are 25 of the 30 award recipients. For a list of those honoured and photos from the celebration, please visit the Alumni Association's website at [www.brocku.ca/alumniassoc](http://www.brocku.ca/alumniassoc)

## Students resoundingly support Learning Commons – BUSU

The Brock Learning Commons is a fantastic opportunity to provide the community and academic space that students have wanted and needed for so long. It will provide a combination of quiet and comfortable lounge and study space, long overdue for Brock students.

In what has been described as a major turning point for the level of service provision offered at the University, students resoundingly supported a BUSU referendum to contribute \$1 million to establish a Learning Commons on campus. The creation of the strategic expansion fund in the 2005/2006 academic school year allowed the Students' Union to make this investment in space and new facilities without additional fees to students. BUSU is hopeful that their contribution to the Learning Commons has put them one step closer to having their academic and service-based needs met at Brock.

Students indicated that the Learning Commons would have a direct correlation on increasing the quality of student life and level of

service at the University. The proposed Learning Commons will provide students with comfortable lounge and study space, support an increased laptop loan program, provide writing and multimedia support as well as career development. Additional learning resources will include a writing centre to assist students with essays and reports, multimedia resource rooms where students will be able to practise multimedia presentations and get assistance and more group study space where students can discuss group projects and assignments without distractions. All of these are valuable assets for Brock students.

While students fully recognize that their contribution is a valuable one, they are cognizant of the fact that there is further fundraising needed before the Brock Learning Commons dream can be realized. They are committed to being leaders in demonstrating the need for this very important space on our campus.

- *Kithio Mwanzia, President, BUSU*

## Bacchus website ready to receive online registrations

The time for the third bi-annual and international interdisciplinary Bacchus at Brock Conference is growing near and the Bacchus website is now ready to receive online registrations. As this is the wine conference not to be missed, mark your calendar for June 7, 8 and 9, go online at [www.brocku.ca/bacchus](http://www.brocku.ca/bacchus) and click "Register Now" in the upper right of the headline banner.

Highlights of the 2007 Bacchus at Brock include:

- Three disciplinary tracks of Science and Technology, Business and Culture featuring distinguished speakers such as:
  - **Dr. Hildegard Heymann**, Professor of Enology and Sensory Science, University of California at Davis
  - **Dr. David Howes**, Department of Anthropology, Concordia University, Montreal
  - **Dr. Isak (Sakkie) Pretorius**, Managing Director of The Australian Wine Research Institute
  - **Antonio Rocha-Graca**, Director of ADVID, Enologist, Research and Development,

SOGRAPE Vinhos, S. A. Portugal  
- **Dr. Dominique Valentin**, Centre Européen des Sciences du Gout and University of Burgundy, France

- Afternoon integrative sessions on wine and food, regional exploration (Niagara and Napa), and the language of wine
- Experience Niagara East and West Dinners - two evenings of magnificent food and wine events at eight spectacular sites in Niagara (optional)

Closing the conference will be the most talked-about event of the year: "Party the Night Away" dinner and dance in the vineyard and under the stars - featuring both live music and food with memorable "local flavours." This will be a true Bacchanalia!

The online registration is easy to navigate and there are two payment options (cheque or online credit card) available. Credit card transactions are processed through Moneris Secure Online Payments. For more information, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/bacchus](http://www.brocku.ca/bacchus)



## New Brock course will focus on public health and the HIV/AIDS pandemic

A new course offered by the Department of Community Health Sciences – CHSC 4V51, "Current Public Health Issues of the HIV/AIDS Pandemic" – will be offered this Spring term, taught by Dr. Eduardo Fernandez, Visiting International Professor from a partner institution in Honduras. This topic is of pressing concern to health scientists and population health professionals and should be of particular interest to students who hope to pursue careers in international health.

Department Chair Dr. John Hay emphasized "we strive to view health in a global context and this topic is of particular importance – certainly a major health concern in Canada and an even greater one in the developing world. This course will significantly expand our present course offerings in the area of infectious diseases and global issues... it will address the single most pressing health concern today facing the global community."

CHSC 4V51 will examine the multifactorial causality of HIV/AIDS with the ultimate goal of increasing understanding and awareness of the ongoing pandemic. A trans-disciplinary model will be used to analyze the biological, physiological, environmental, and behavioural factors involved in transmission and persistence, as well as to study the epidemiological patterns and individual and societal factors that determine the occurrence and impact of HIV/AIDS in different populations.

The International Course Support Fund (ICSF) and Department of Community Health Sciences and Faculty of Applied Health Science made this new course possible. For more information on applying for funding from the ICSF, please visit the Brock International website [www.brocku.ca/brockinternational](http://www.brocku.ca/brockinternational) or e-mail Sheila Young, Associate Director and International Liaison Officer, Brock International, at [syoung@brocku.ca](mailto:syoung@brocku.ca)





## Senate News

The 546th meeting of the Brock University Senate was held on Feb. 28, 2007. During the meeting, Senate:

- received a Report from the President and Vice-Chancellor during which Dr. Lightstone related that, in light of experiences gained during the recent snowstorm, the University would be assessing the basis on which future decisions would be made regarding holding or cancelling of classes;
- approved the first calendar entry for the newly approved MA in Geography graduate program, the first calendar entry for the recently approved MSc in Management graduate program, and changes to degree requirements and course bank for the Popular Culture graduate program;
- received the *Undergraduate Retention Strategy* dated Feb. 13, 2007;
- was notified that, following its investigation, the Room Modernization Committee (a campus-wide advisory committee) had endorsed the percentage of distribution of chalkboards/whiteboards as 10 per cent chalkboard and 90 per cent whiteboard;
- approved the termination of the Independent School Teachers program;
- accepted the Academic Program Review of the Centre for Adult Education and Community Outreach;
- received, for information, the Department of Psychology Academic Program Review Action Plan;
- approved that the Undergraduate Student Affairs Committee review the current distinction between a four-year major degree and an honours degree and to recommend to Senate any changes to Faculty Handbook III: 6.4 B;
- received, for information, the 2007-08 Academic Session - Schedule of Dates; and,
- faculty were encouraged to think about alternatives to scheduling three-hour blocks between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. for their lectures and for exams due to the critical shortage of physical space and in the spirit of co-operation.

Full details of Senate meetings, including the minutes, are available at: [www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate](http://www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate)

## Inquiry Across the Disciplines: Integrating Teaching and Research

The Centre for Teaching, Learning and Education Technologies will be hosting a full-day event "Inquiry Across the Disciplines: Integrating Teaching and Research" on Tuesday, April 10 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., in Thistle 253 (e-classroom).

Inquiry, which is at the heart of both good teaching and good research, forms a wonderful connection between learner and teacher. It fosters knowledge acquisition, skill development and student-centred learning. It can also create learner anxiety.

What is inquiry and why do we want to use it? This event will explore what it means to engage in inquiry and will showcase examples and inquiry-based practices from

across the institution. Concurrent workshops and many opportunities for collegial discussions will hopefully provide some answers and undoubtedly more questions. We will conclude our explorations with a celebration of teaching, featuring presentations by Brock Distinguished Teaching Award recipients Ernest Biktimirov, Faculty of Business (2005) and Zopito Marini, Faculty of Social Sciences (2006). Please join us for a day of discovery and a celebration of excellence in teaching! Members of the Brock community interested in attending can RSVP at ext. 3933 or register online at [www.brocku.ca/ctlet/teachingdevelopment](http://www.brocku.ca/ctlet/teachingdevelopment)

University; Supervisor: Dr. Garth Stevenson; Member of Supervisory Committee: Dr. Matt Hennigar; Chair's designate: Dr. Juris Dreifelds; Chair of the defence and Dean's designate: Tony Shaw, Department of Geography.

### Spring Swim Registration

Brock University's Eleanor Misener Aquatic Centre will hold its spring swim registration for all levels beginning on Monday, March 26, at 5 p.m. Registration continues until classes are full. Program starts Saturday, April 7. Special reduced parking vouchers available with lesson purchase. Please check the Aquatics website at [www.brocku.ca/aquatics/](http://www.brocku.ca/aquatics/) for additional detail. For more information, call 905-688-5550, ext. 4060.

### Department of Visual Arts presents...

**bugs in my head:** an exhibit of painted works by 18 students from Brock University's Department of Visual Arts. This show represents a selection of art that examines analytic, narrative and expressive concepts of acrylic painting. Written between the lines of the stories we tell are the stories we are. In the telling/retelling the voice leaves a mark and conflates with a dream life that is not so very secret after all. On display from Monday, March 19 to Friday, March 23, at The Gallery, Sean O'Sullivan Theatre, Brock University. Opening reception: Monday, March 19, from 5 to 7 p.m.

### School of Fine and Performing Arts presents...

**Showcase:** A Celebration of Artist Expression, Thursday, March 22, Sean O'Sullivan Theatre,

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## Mediatalk

### People in the news

Assistant Professor of Classics **Katharine T. von Stackelberg** was interviewed by Capital News Service of Annapolis and Maryland on the History of the Rose, for a Feb. 9 Valentine's Day article, entitled "Roses on Valentine's Day, Of Course. But Why?"

Professor of Economics **Mohammed Dore** was interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a Feb. 16 article about public awareness of the importance of safe, clean drinking water, entitled "Cities, towns struggle with cost of keeping up." In the article, Dore, an expert in water pricing and management issues, noted that "There isn't an adequate appreciation of the cost of clean water."

Professor **Dorothy Griffiths** from the Department of Child and Youth Studies was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for its "15 minutes with..." column about her work helping professionals better understand the challenges faced by people with intellectual disabilities. The article - "Helping those who need it most" - was published in the Feb. 19 issue of the newspaper.

Griffiths was also featured in the January 2007 issue of *Breaking Through* - the newsletter of the University of Ottawa's Institute of Medical Health Research - about being appointed to the Order of Ontario for her work. She is a research collaborator with the Institute's Forensic Research Unit.

Professor of Communications, Popular Culture and Film **Barry Grant** was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an article on how to make an Academy Awards party a blockbuster, entitled "And the award for Best Oscar party goes to..." In the Feb. 20 article, Grant provided some suggestions on how to best enjoy the annual celebration of film.

**Joe Engemann**, Assistant Professor in the Department of Graduate and Undergraduate Studies, Faculty of Education, was featured on Cogeco TV Cable 10 and was a guest on AM 610 CKTB where he spoke about the Brock Mentorship program. The program offers senior high school students an opportunity to pursue a scientific investigation under the supervision of a faculty member within the Faculties of Mathematics and Science and Applied Health Sciences at Brock.

During the week of Feb. 19 - 23: Associate Professor **Mohamed Ayadi** from the Department of Finance, Operations and Information Systems was interviewed on AM 1130 CKWX News in Vancouver, B.C., about mutual funds, and **Gillian Kemp**, MBA graduate and co-ordinator of the Corporate Social Responsibility Initiative in the Faculty of Business, was interviewed about the Initiative on St. Catharines-based radio station AM 1220 CHSC.

**Michael Owen**, Associate Vice-President, Research and International Development, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a story about the proposed Niagara Interactive New Media Incubator. Brock and its partners received \$50,000 to conduct a feasibility study for an incubator portal in Niagara that will provide access for new and existing digital media entrepreneurs to a network of expertise and media technologies. The article - "Grant money to test waters for business incubator" - was published in the

newspaper's Feb. 22 edition.

Owen was also interviewed by *The Business Link Niagara* about the St. Catharines Economic Development and Tourism Services department's business plan to integrate the efforts of both Brock University and Niagara College into a strategy to diversify the Niagara economy through skill development and youth retention.

**Rev. George Addison** from Campus Ministries at Brock was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Feb. 27 story, entitled "No faith in findings," about the documentary, *Lost Tomb of Jesus*, which claims to have found the remains of Jesus and his family. In the article, which was also published in the *Niagara Falls Review* and *Welland Tribune*, Addison comments that every few years, someone comes along claiming to have found archaeological evidence to prove or disprove a Bible story and that the film is just another theological letdown in the making.

Addison was also recently interviewed by the *Standard* for a Feb. 24 article about 777 - July 7, 2007 - and the religious significance of the number seven. In the article - "Couples rush to marry on the lucky 'day of angels'" - Addison notes that numbers play an important role in ancient texts and where's there's a number, there's symbolism.

Dean of Business, **Martin Kusy**, was interviewed by *Cayman Net News* for a Feb. 26 article, "UCCI and Brock University sign 'historic' agreement" and *Caymanian Compass* for a Feb. 28 article, "UCCI, Brock University sign memorandum" about the recent signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the University College of the Cayman Islands (UCCI) and Brock. The agreement covers the development of a student exchange program for Business students and allows students from both universities to gain exposure to an international educational environment by attending each other's campus for four- or eight-month periods.

**Kate Cassidy** and **Susan McGlynn** from Community Adventure Training Initiatives and Youth University were both interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for their March Break programs special feature. The Feb. 27 article, entitled "Making Science Fun," notes that at Youth University, elementary school-age kids can learn everything from how to make fake blisters and bodily secretions to engineering a bridge to making and programming a robot.

Dean of Social Sciences, **David Siegel**, was interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a March 1 article - "A Penny for our Cities" - about Toronto Mayor David Miller's plans to launch a national grassroots campaign to force Ottawa to give one per cent from GST back to local governments. In the article, Siegel notes that "What local governments really need is the authority to make their own taxing decisions rather than relying on funding from other levels of government."

Associate Professor of Communications, Popular Culture and Film **Marian Bredin** was interviewed on AM 610 CKTB's "Six o'clock News Hour" program on March 5 about the screening of Alanis Obomsawin's new National Film Board (NFB) of Canada feature documentary, *Waban-Aki: People from Where the Sun Rises*, at Brock.

**Charles Burton**, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science, was interviewed by *Macleans Magazine* for a March 5 article, entitled "Go on, take a stand: It's possible to criticize China on human rights and do business with it." For more information please visit: <http://spartan.ac.brocku.ca/~cburton>

## Brock Briefs

### Brock's Table Cookbook Still Available

From stuffed mushrooms and zucchini soup to teriyaki steak and tiramisu, you'll find tried-and-true recipes in the *Brock's Table* fundraising cookbook. Favourite recipes were submitted by Brock faculty, staff and friends, and have been compiled into a beautiful cookbook ideal for gift giving. *Brock's Table* cookbooks are still available for \$10 per copy, with 100 per cent of the proceeds now going toward the 2007 United Way campaign. To purchase copies, contact Wendy Laslo at ext. 5188.

### MEd thesis defence

Master of Education student, Sawako Akai, will present her thesis defence on Thursday, March 29, at 12 noon, in the Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber. The title of her thesis is "Enhancing Teaching and Learning Speech Acts: Action Research of Japanese as a Foreign Language." Thesis Supervisor: Dr. Dolana Mogadime; External Examiner: Dr. Jamie-Lynn Magnusson, OISE/UT; Committee Members: Dr. Xiaobin Li and Professor Andrew Short; Chair, Examining Committee: TBA. All are welcome to attend.

### MA thesis defence

Master of Arts thesis defence for the Department of Political Science. Dan Lafferty will defend his thesis on Friday, March 30, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in PL 324. The title of the thesis is: "Rights Jurisprudence and the Charter: Evaluating the Changing Structure of Canadian Federalism." External Examiner: Dr. James Kelly, Concordia

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8 p.m., pay what you can. This is the School of Fine and Performing Arts' annual event that presents the diversity of our students through their creative endeavours. This evening of interactive performance profiles students from the Departments of Dramatic Arts, Music, Visual Arts, and the Centre for Studies in Arts and Culture, as well as Dance/Movement courses in the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology.

Everyone is welcome. For more information about School of Fine and Performing Arts events, please contact:

Marie Balsom, Co-ordinator, at ext. 4765 or mbalsom@brocku.ca

## James K. A. Smith Conference

The Brock University Philosophy Society, Brock Campus Ministries, Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary, Humanities Research Institute and Office of the Associate Vice-President of Student Services present the James K. A. Conference on Who's Afraid of Postmodernism (Taking Derrida, Lyotard and Foucault to Church) and Jacques Derrida: Live Theory, from Friday, March 23 to Saturday, March 24, in the Dr. Charles A. Sankey

Chamber. This event is free of charge and everyone is welcome to attend. For more information, please contact David Goicoechea, dgoicoec@brocku.ca, or André Basson, abasson@brocku.ca

## Open House a Success!

Special thanks to all Brock faculty, staff and students who helped make Open House 2007 a great success! Open House is a very important event, as it occurs when prospective students are determining which university they will attend. The participation of the Brock Community is a key part in

making this event a success. Recruitment and Liaison Services greatly appreciates your support. Our next recruitment event, Fall Preview Day, will be held on Sunday, Nov. 4, 2007. Thanks again for your continuing support.

- Melissa Coleman,  
Open House Coordinator



## Faculty and Staff

### APPLIED LINGUISTICS

**Thomas S. C. Farrell** recently delivered a series of lectures and workshops in Singapore, China, at the Nanyang Technological University, the National University of Singapore and South East Asian Ministries Organization, Regional English Language Center. He also gave an invited featured talk at Thailand TESOL/PAC conference in Bangkok, Thailand.

### EDUCATION

**Lorenzo Cherubini** delivered a presentation, entitled "A Collaborative Approach to Induction: Building Beginning Teacher Capacity," at the Association of Teacher Educators Conference in San Diego, Calif., on Feb. 19.

**Xavier Fazio** presented the following papers at the 2007 Association for Science Teacher Education (ASTE) International Conference: Character, Critique and Controversy in Science Teacher Education, in Clearwater, Fla., in January 2007:

- Fazio, Xavier (2007). "Pre-Service Science Teachers? Perceptions of the Classroom Learning Environment: Perspectives From Their Field Experiences."
- Fazio, Xavier and Melville, W. (2007). "Analysis of the Perceptions of Pre-Service Teachers to Inquiry-Based Science Education."
- Bartley, A. and Fazio, X (2007). "The Scientific Method and Science Teacher Education: Explorations in Authenticity."

Professor Emeritus **Anthony Mollica** was recently invited to give the keynote address on "Recreational Linguistics" and three two-hour lectures at the Dante Alighieri Society in Rome, Italy. The occasion was the XV annual conference attended by teachers from Uruguay, Russia, Jordan, Italy, Argentina, Serbia, Mexico and Brazil. Founded in 1889 by the poet Giosuè Carducci, the Dante Alighieri Society promotes the Italian language and culture with more than 500 associations throughout the world. It has an enrolment of more than 200,000 students at various levels of instruction. He was also invited to deliver two four-hour lectures to teachers of Occitan and Albanian (considered minority languages in Italy) at the Università della Calabria.

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

**Angela Mills** delivered an invited plenary address to 1,300 participants at the 20th Annual Grove Park Arts and Crafts Conference in Asheville, N.C., on Feb. 18. The title of her talk was "Mistress and Manager: Alice Hubbard of Roycroft."

### LIBRARY SERVICES

**Karen Bordonaro** delivered a presentation, entitled "Language Learning in the Library: Exploring How ESL Students Use Academic Libraries," at the Ontario Library Association's Super Conference held in Toronto on Feb. 2.

### MATHEMATICS

Professor Emeritus **Eric Muller** delivered a presentation at the Research Day of the Mathematics Education Forum of the Fields Institute for Research in the Mathematical Sciences in Toronto on Jan. 20. He spoke about three projects: his six-month experience with mathematics departments at two-year colleges in Hawaii and Micronesia, and his work with **Chantal Buteau**, Assistant Professor of Mathematics at Brock, focusing on different aspects of student work in Brock's Mathematics Integrated with Computing and Applications courses that had been reported at the Espace Mathématique Francophone conference in Sherbrooke, Que., and at the International Commission on Mathematical Instruction Study 17 in Hanoi, Vietnam.

### MUSIC

Over the past few weeks, pianist **Karin Di Bella** collaborated in a series of four recitals with violinist Maureen Yuen from SUNY Fredonia. The tour began in SUNY Fredonia on Feb. 23, which also included work with American virtuoso tuba player Ray Stewart. This performance was followed by a benefit concert for the Niagara Falls Branch of the Ontario Registered Music Teachers' Association on Feb. 24. A Brock "Music at Noon" performance was next on Feb. 27, and after a break the pair resurfaced at Ohio Northern University (Ada) for a final performance on March 11 and a student master class on the 12.

**Harris Loewen** conducted the Brock University Women's Chorus and the mass choir of the Tri-University Women's Chorus Festival during the final festival concert in Guelph, Ont., on March 11. The concert was a repeat of the previous evening's festival concert in St. Catharines, Ont.

### RESEARCH SERVICES

**Frances Chandler**, Associate Director of Research Services, has been appointed as Review Editor of the *Journal of Research Administration*. In the fall of 2006, she published a book review and has been invited to submit another for the publication's Fall 2007 edition.

## Publications

**Conley, Tim.** "All loose inside." *Snow Monkey* 18 (2007): 33.

**Grant, Barry Keith.** "Toronto Film Festival 2007." *Film International* 5:1 (2007): 91-95.

**Hyatt, C. G.** (2007). "Who do I root for now? The impact of franchise relocation on the loyal fans left behind: A case study of Hartford Whalers fans." *Journal of Sport Behavior*, 30(1), 36-56.

**Johnston, Russell**, with Nowakowski-Dailey, Lindsay; Preston, Michelle; and Sweeting, Jaime. "The Book in Advertising," *History of the Book in Canada, Vol. III*. Eds. Carole Gerson and Jacques Michon. Toronto and Montreal: University of Toronto Press/Presses de l'Université de Montréal, 2007.

**Martinello, Felice.** "University Revenues and Faculty Salaries in Ontario: 1970/71 to 2003/04." *Canadian Public Policy*, Vol. 32, #4, (December 2006), pp. 349-372.

**Menzies, J., and Brand, U.** (2007). "The internal sediment architecture of a drumlin, Port Byron, New York State, U.S.A." *Quaternary Science Reviews* 26, 322-335.

**Segalowitz, S. J.** (2007). "Whose free will is it anyway? Or, The illusion of determinism." In H. Cohen and B. Stemmer (eds.), *Cognition and consciousness: Fragments of mind and brain* (pp. 163-170). Amsterdam: Elsevier.

**Wilch, John R.** *Ruth, Concordia Commentary: A Theological Exposition of Sacred Scripture*, St. Louis: Concordia Publishing House, 2006, 418 pages.

## Events

**Centre for the Arts:** All performances begin at 7:30 p.m., in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise noted. For tickets and more information, please call the Box Office at ext. 3257, or visit [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca)

Upcoming performances include: David Usher with Dala, March 15 at 7:30 p.m.; Gordie Sampson with special guest Andy Stochansky, March 17 at 7:30 p.m.; Barrage (SOLD OUT!), March 23 at 7:30 p.m.; Classic Albums Live: Pink Floyd - The Wall, March 29 at 7:30 p.m.; Samarabalouf!, March 31 at 7:30 p.m.; The Funk Brothers, April 5 at 7:30 p.m.; Decidedly Jazz Danceworks: Magnetic Consequences, featuring Jackie Richardson, Thursday, April 12 at 7:30 p.m.; Jesse Cook, April 14 at 7:30 p.m. and April 15 at 2:30 p.m.; Rising Tide Theatre: No Man's Land, April 18; Nnenna Freelon, Blueprint of a Lady - Sketches of Billie Holiday, April 26 at 7:30 p.m.; The Standard OrchEXTRA!, featuring The Celtic Tenors with the Niagara Symphony, April 27 at 7:30 p.m. and April 28 at 7:30 p.m.; Storytime with Robert Munsch (for ages 4+), April 29 at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

**Brock University Film Society (BUFS):** The BUFS Winter series program continues on March 18, with another Oscar nominee for Best Foreign Language Film, *After the Wedding* (Susanne Bier, Denmark, 2006, 122 mins. rating N/A), a riveting drama on the muddy moral ground between good intentions and human failings. On March 18, BUFS is also proud to present the Genie-nominated and Oscar winner for Best Short Animation, *The Danish Poet* (Torill Kove, Norway/Canada, 2006, 14 mins. G). On March 25, see John Curran's film adaptation of W. Somerset Maugham's novel, *The Painted Veil* (US, 2006, 125 mins. PG), which features nuanced performances from a stellar cast including Edward Norton (*Fight Club*), Naomi Watts (*King Kong*), and Liev Schreiber (*The Manchurian Candidate*). BUFS' season closer on April 1 will be announced later in March.

For more information, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/cpcf](http://www.brocku.ca/cpcf) and click on "links." Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance through the Brock Centre for the Arts Box Office. Prices are \$6 for BUFS members and students, \$8 for non-members. Memberships are also available through the Centre for the Arts. Call Amanda Bishop at ext. 3553 for more information.

**Music@Noon:** The Department of Music presents a recital of instrumental students along with students from the Percussion Ensemble on Tuesday, March 20; and piano students on Tuesday, March 27, at the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre, at 12 noon. Admission is free and all are welcome to attend.

**Department of Biological Sciences 2007 Winter Seminar Series:** Friday, March 16: Dr. Arthur Retnakaran, Great Lakes Forestry Centre, Natural Resources Canada, Sault Ste. Marie. Title: "Diapause: Suspended animation in insects." Friday, March 23: Dr. Mark Bernards, Department of Biology, University of Western Ontario. Title: "Structure, function and biosynthesis of Suberin."

Unless specified otherwise, all seminars are at 12 noon, in TH256.

**History Department Speaker Series:** Friday, March 23: Dr. Sébastien Peyrouse, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, will present a lecture, entitled "The Post-Soviet States of Central Asia, 1991-2006: Political Trajectories Fifteen Years after Independence," at 573 Glenridge Ave., Room 201, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. All are welcome.

**St. Catharines Canadian Federation of University Women - 33rd Annual House Tour, May 6,** 12 noon to 5 p.m. Spend an enjoyable Sunday afternoon in the heart of Niagara Wine Country, touring six beautiful and varied homes in the St. Catharines area. Fascinating details of history and decor will be provided by informed guides. Contact [niaghouses@yahoo.ca](mailto:niaghouses@yahoo.ca) or call 905-934-5002. [www.vaxxine.com/cfwstcatharines](http://www.vaxxine.com/cfwstcatharines)

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PhD student from Eastgate Mall area in Stoney Creek seeking carpool partner to alternate driving, M-F, 8:30-4:30 (or similar schedule). If interested, please contact [brockcarpool@gmail.com](mailto:brockcarpool@gmail.com)



# BrockNews

NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## DiBattista honoured with prestigious national teaching award



David DiBattista

A professor known for inspiring students and his dedication to quality scholarship has been named as a recipient of one of Canada's most prestigious national teaching awards.

David DiBattista, Professor in the

Department of Psychology, is a recipient of the 2007 3M Teaching Fellowship from 3M Canada and the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (STLHE).

The 3M Teaching Fellowship is the only national teaching award for post-secondary education in Canada. It is given to individuals who not only excel in the teaching of their own courses but also demonstrate an exceptionally high degree of leadership and commitment to the improvement of university teaching across disciplines. A maximum of 10 awards are presented nationally each year among the 35,000 professional academics across Canada who are eligible.

"David is an outstanding classroom teacher and has dedicated himself to the further development of both his own and the institution's scholarship of teaching," said President Jack Lightstone.

As a past recipient of Brock University's Chancellor's Chair for Teaching Excellence, DiBattista has embarked on a program of scholarship that examines assessment issues such as the way in which multiple choice test questions can encourage critical thinking and the impact of the Immediate Feedback Assessment Technique. In addition to his commitment to both excellence in teaching and the scholarship of teaching, DiBattista also exercises educational leadership at Brock in his role as the Associate Dean of Social Sciences.

"I couldn't have received this award without the people who have helped me to become the teacher that I am, and that includes faculty, students and the Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies," says DiBattista. "I spend a lot of time focusing on my teaching and my presentations because I value the learning of my students. I frequently ask myself 'How can I make my presentations more effective? How can I reach more students?'"

Students have recognized DiBattista as a student-friendly and extraordinary teacher. One student indicated that he "undoubtedly has had a remarkable impact on my career and my life," while another indicated that "David loves teaching and it shows."

DiBattista is the eighth Brock Professor to be named a 3M Teaching Fellow.

Previous Brock University 3M award winners are: Lorne Adams (2004), John Mitterer (2004), Maureen Connolly (2003), Anna Lathrop (2001), Barry W. K. Joe (2000), Donald Ursino (1991), and Clarke Thomson (1989).

## End of Term mixer

Faculty and staff are cordially invited to attend the annual End of Term Mixer as well as Faculty and Staff Recognition on Monday, April 9 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in Pond Inlet.

## Researcher receives \$1.5-million international grant



Angela Duarte, left, a first-year master's student in Applied Health Sciences, assists Professor Ana Sanchez in a Brock lab.

The Global Health Research Initiative (GHRI) has awarded a grant valued at \$1.5 million to Professor Ana Sanchez, who will be working in collaboration with stakeholders in Honduras to help combat infectious diseases within the country.

Sanchez, from the Department of Community Health, and her co-investigator Lourdes de Madrid of the Department of Microbiology, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Honduras (UNAH), have been awarded one of 13 Teasdale-Corti Team Grants, which was selected following a stringent peer-review process among more than 250 proposals submitted in 2006 to the GHRI from across the globe.

The title of Sanchez's four-year program of research and capacity strengthening is "Increasing Capacity to Achieve Millennium Development Goal #6 in Honduras: Combating Infectious Diseases." The Millennium Development Goals (MDG) are eight targets that 191 United Nations member states have agreed to try to achieve by the year 2015.

"Honduras has one of the highest Central American rates for AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria and it is also affected by ancient infectious diseases including zoonoses that not only affect people's health but also their livelihood," says Sanchez. "Furthermore, the potential for emerging problems such as avian influenza, bioterrorism, and bovine spongiform encephalopathy, as a result of globalization, cannot be overlooked."

The main objective of the program will be the creation of a local graduate master's program open to a wide array of

professionals that will function in collaboration with current public health and epidemiology programs. The program will address infectious disease not only from a biomedical perspective, but also considering broader determinants of health, health behaviour change and community participation.

In Honduras, the third-poorest country in Latin America, poverty and inequality are primary determinants for the occurrence and impact of infectious diseases and zoonoses, but these diseases are also a major obstacle to recovery and growth.

"The project will help foster in Honduras the development of a multidisciplinary research environment and of a national network of stakeholders needed to tackle new emerging threats, including those of animal origin," says Dr. Francois-Xavier Meslin, Co-ordinator, Zoonoses and Veterinary Public Health, World Health Organization.

GHRI is a collaborative health research partnership between the Canadian Institutes for Health Research, International Development Research Centre, Health Canada and the Canadian International Development Agency - with input from the Canadian Health Services Research Foundation and Canadian and developing country partners.

The Teasdale-Corti Team Grants honour the legacy of Canadian researchers Dr. Lucille Teasdale and her husband Dr. Piero Corti who dedicated their lives to improving health care in Africa.

## It's official: Brock announces a new Faculty

In a unanimous vote, the Brock University Senate endorsed the creation of the Faculty of Graduate Studies at its March 22 meeting.

"The creation of Brock's Faculty of Graduate Studies is a wonderful step forward for the University," said Marilyn Rose, Dean, Graduate Studies. "The new Faculty will bring graduate faculty and graduate students together across the disciplines and will definitely enhance the profile of research and graduate studies at Brock University."

Terry Boak, Vice-President, Academic and Provost, said the new Faculty will be of tremendous value to students and faculty in that it will improve the profile of the University, a mature and complex institution, as one that prizes graduate education.

"Over time, we will see continuing growth of graduate work at Brock and the other six Faculties will benefit from the

support of the Faculty of Graduate Studies," he said.

Boak added he was also "extremely pleased that Senators supported so strongly the formation of the Faculty of Graduate Studies."

Brock offers 37 graduate programs, including six PhD programs. From 2000-06, there was a 106 per cent increase in graduate programs, a 92 per cent increase in graduate degrees awarded, a 55 per cent increase in graduate scholarship applications, and a 1,250 per cent increase in workshops offered to graduate students and faculty by Graduate Studies.

The full report to Senate surrounding the formation of the Faculty of Graduate Studies can be found at [www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate/agendae/2007-03-21/agenda.php](http://www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate/agendae/2007-03-21/agenda.php)

A more complete story about Brock's newest Faculty will appear in the Wednesday, April 11 edition of Brock News.

## Working towards campus-wide accessibility

A thorough accessibility audit of Brock University has yielded recommendations into how the campus can become more accessible for those persons living with disabilities and it also noted where the University has already successfully removed physical barriers.

Conducted by the Herrington Group Team of St. Catharines in 2006, the accessibility audit reviewed each building at the St. Catharines main and east campuses, Rodman Hall and the Hamilton campus to determine the following: what barriers exist and where they exist; how those barriers can/should be removed; resources necessary to undertake action; and cost projections.

Brock undertook the audit of its publicly accessed areas to further its commitment to persons with disabilities and to ensure compliance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act.

"Undertaking the outside audit demonstrates Brock's pro-active and continued commitment to persons with disabilities," said Margaret Sanderson, Accessibility Co-ordinator, Office of the Associate Vice-President, Student Services. "We now know what type of physical barriers exist on campus, and we also know what we're doing well."

Sanderson is the only designated Accessibility Co-ordinator at any university in Ontario.

Tom Saint-Ivany, Executive Director, Facilities Management, said the accessibility audit recommendations "provide a long-range planning tool for the identification of and removal of existing physical barriers in academic and administrative areas at all Brock sites by 2025."

He has put in place processes that will allow prioritized needs to be implemented through annual operating and capital project budgets.

Standards used in the audit assessment tool were taken from the Canadian Standards Association, the National Building Code, the Ontario Building Code and various disability-related organizations, including the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, the Canadian Hearing Society and the Canadian Learning Disabilities Association.

A hefty binder contains the recommendations that are ranked one-to-four in priority:

- Priority 1 considerations are simple and maintenance related, such as installing new light bulbs to ensure appropriate lighting levels or lowering sign;
- Priority 2 changes are urgent and need immediate consideration and action;
- Priority 3 changes are not urgent but will assist in more effectively meeting the access of needs of people with disabilities;
- Priority 4 changes are suggestions for consideration in future planning.

Sanderson facilitates Brock's Barrier-Free Working Group comprised of faculty, staff, students and representatives from organizations and individuals in the Niagara community.



The 547th meeting of the Brock University Senate was held on March 21, 2007. During the meeting, Senate:

- acknowledged the end of the Chancellor's term on March 31, 2007, and passed the following motion: "That Senate expresses its sincere thanks and gratitude to Dr. Raymond Moriyama for his outstanding service, dedication and commitment to Brock University during his tenure as Chancellor since 2001. Senate recognizes his many contributions, passionate support of education, vision and absolute integrity which made him ideally suited to provide guidance and vision during a period of tremendous growth and change. We wish Dr. Moriyama and Mrs. Sachi Moriyama continued health and joy in their lives and welcome them to visit Brock University as our honoured guests at any time";
- received a Report from the President and Vice-Chancellor during which Dr. Lightstone reviewed the preliminary results of the budget exercise for 2007-08;
- approved the creation of a Faculty of Graduate Studies, headed by the Dean of Graduate Studies, consistent with the governance model outlined in the attachment to the Report;
- supported Brock University investigators who conduct research with animals, in which the research is conducted within guidelines established by the Canadian Council on Animal Care and the Brock Animal Care and Use Committee, and the right to conduct their research free from harassment;
- approved the establishment of the Lifespan Development Research Institute;
- received, for information, the Office of Research Services Review;
- approved that the three individuals appointed by Senate to the Committee on the Presidency be given clear expectations about their role and the need to keep Senate informed during the process, within the limits of confidentiality and in camera procedures; and that a special meeting of Senate be held for a structured consultation to hear the report of the Committee on the Presidency regarding the chosen candidate in which all members of the Committee would be invited to attend; and, that the special meeting of Senate be held at least two days before a recommendation is to be presented to the Board of Trustees by the Committee on the Presidency;
- approved amendments to Faculty Handbook II: Sections 6, 7, 8 and 9 regarding Committee Chairs, Vice-Chairs and Secretaries.

Full details of Senate meetings are available at: [www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate](http://www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate)

## From Bibles to bullies, conference features diverse research



Master's student Clair Meldrum displays children's illustrated Bibles to Leslie Boldt-Irons, Graduate Program Director, MA in Studies in Comparative Literatures and Arts.

An opportunity to receive feedback on her research is one reason that master's student Claire Meldrum will participate in the second annual Mapping the New Knowledges conference on April 10 and 11.

Meldrum, a student in the Comparative Literatures and Arts program — she has a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from York University — also welcomes the chance to build connections at the University, enjoy other research initiatives featured at the conference "and put faces to faculty and other graduate students."

The student, who juggles motherhood, research and teaching responsibilities as a teaching assistant, has explored the interplay between iconography and narrative in 20th-century illustrated children's Bibles and the resulting messages that are conveyed to children through religious socialization. "I've discovered there's a lot of 'do what I say, not what I do' in the children's Bibles," Meldrum observed.

Carrie Kelly, who will finish the requirements for her Master of Business Administration this year, has

entitled her oral presentation "The Devil Wears Prada — Bully Bosses."

"Employees are protected by law from sexual and racial harassment" said Kelly, "but research has shown that non-sexual and non-racial harassment may be much more common and just as damaging to a person in the long term."

In addition to the 53 oral presentations, there will also be 42 poster presentations.

Research topics show a great range in diversity, including presentations about active living and public leisure services, the social implications of Alfred Tennyson's *Idylls of the King*, female risk-taking behaviours, new approaches in mortuary archaeology in the Bronze Age, and the impact of childhood obesity on bone strength.

Marilyn Rose, Dean, Graduate Studies, said the conference is a wonderful opportunity to showcase and celebrate Brock's research initiatives and to familiarize graduate students with a professional process by which knowledge is disseminated.

"These research papers and posters are an indication of great strides Brock has made in its transformation to a research-intensive university," said Michael Owen, Associate Vice-President, Research. "The close connections between teaching, mentoring and research emerge from these collaborations between our faculty and our graduate students."

Brock President Jack Lightstone will deliver the keynote address at 7 p.m. on April 10 and Dr. Noreen Golfman, president of the Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences, will deliver the plenary address at 9 a.m. on April 11.

The conference is sponsored by Graduate Studies and the Office of Research Services.

## Canadian Olympic Committee CEO delivers guest lecture

Chris Rudge, who was named CEO of the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC) in January 2003, stopped by Brock University on March 19 to deliver a guest lecture in Pond Inlet to more than 120 students from first-year Sport Management class "Understanding Sport Industry Sectors" taught by Professor Joanne MacLean. Rudge began his discussion with a DVD presentation of Canadian Olympic highlights and then proceeded to speak about the structure of sport in Canada and how the COC is facilitating success for Canadian athletes on the international stage.



## Attorney General speaks about human rights reform in Ontario

The Department of Child and Youth Studies and Applied Disabilities Studies Program at Brock welcomed Ontario Attorney General Michael Bryant to the University on March 8 to speak about human rights in Ontario. Bryant spoke to and answered questions from a capacity crowd of more than 110 students, faculty and staff members in Thistle 245 about legislation he introduced in April 2006 to bring about changes to Ontario's human rights complaints system. His visit to the University was part of a cross-province tour to discuss and solicit feedback on Bill 107, which received royal assent last December.

Bryant spoke about the history of the act, noting that Ontario has a distinguished legacy when it comes to human rights. It was the first province in Canada to establish a Human Rights Commission and to legislate human rights by adopting such acts as *The Racial Discrimination Act* (1944).

But Bryant also explained to the audience in attendance why it needed change. One of the main criticisms of the existing system, which has been in place for 45 years, is that it can take years for a case to move from filing with the commission to resolution before the tribunal. According to Bryant, most claims take up to three to five years to resolve, and in some cases the process takes seven to eight years. He noted that "justice delayed is justice denied."

The new human rights system in Ontario will be a "direct access system" and will strive to resolve claims fairly, effectively and quickly. It will consist of the Ontario Human Rights Commission, the Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario and a new Human Rights Legal Support Centre. The Tribunal will now deal with all claims of discrimination filed under the Human Rights Code and will establish new processes that are open, accessible and provide effective resolution of cases.

"No claim should take more than a year," he said. "That's the goal."

For more information about human rights reform in Ontario, please visit: [www.attorneygeneral.jus.gov.on.ca/english/about/ohrc.asp](http://www.attorneygeneral.jus.gov.on.ca/english/about/ohrc.asp)

## Paper plate strategy vaults team to top

An emotional appeal to environmental responsibility in a marketing campaign for paper plates won top prize at a case competition for Brock students.

Fourth-year Business Communications students Sarah Lloyd, Jay Ferguson, Polina Stupinskaya and Jeff Nicolls earned top marks from a field of five teams at the second annual case competition held in conjunction with the sixth annual Terry O'Malley Lecture in Marketing and Advertising held March 7.

The three judges were Mark Smyka of Cossette Communication, and lecture keynote speakers Nancy Vonk and Janet Kestin, the Chief Creative Officers for Ogilvy & Mather, the agency behind the Dove: Campaign for Real Beauty. Observing was O'Malley, a native of St. Catharines and former creative director and partner in Toronto-based Vickers & Benson Advertising (now Arnold Worldwide in Canada). In more than 30 years at Vickers & Benson, O'Malley helped build the agency into one of the leading brands in the Canadian advertising industry.

Each team had 15 minutes to pitch its case for Royal Chinet, a disposable paper plate. Team members were required to create a message, goals, communication tactics and a theme around the tag line that "Life is Too Short to Wash Dishes." Students had several weeks to prepare their marketing strategy.

The winning campaign encouraged Royal Chinet consumers to feel like they were participating in a movement to help alleviate waste management concerns.

## Looking for a few good women

Youth University is seeking female volunteers to assist with the delivery of the Teen Esteem mentoring program.

The Teen Esteem program recognizes that not all girls have role models from whom to learn or the encouragement and financial resources to reach for a dream. The aim of this program is to help young girls realize the scope of careers available to them so that they aim for goals that will make these jobs possible.

In this program, girls in Grades 6 to 8 enjoy hearing the personal stories of the workshop presenters. Presenters speak for approximately 10 minutes on one of the following topics: focus on the future, career

choices, self-esteem, and goal setting.

Youth University is proud to be partnering with the Business Education Council, District School Board of Niagara and Niagara Catholic District School Board to offer this program to two local schools. The program takes place over four weeks in March and April. Presenters are asked to commit to one lunch-time session during which they will deliver a 10-minute presentation, participate in activities and chat informally with a group of girls.

For more information, or to get involved, please contact Susan McGlynn at ext. 4380 or e-mail: [smcglynn@brocku.ca](mailto:smcglynn@brocku.ca)

## Campus Security Services launches new plan

Faculty, students, and staff are cordially invited to attend the Campus Security Services opening kickoff of the new "Community-based Policing Plan" being held in Pond Inlet on Tuesday, April 3, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Come out and meet members of the Campus Security Services team, and learn about these new initiatives.



# Brock graduates win gold at Cuvée Wine Awards!

Congratulations to graduates of the Oenology and Viticulture Program at Brock University, who, along with their talented and dedicated teams, brought home seven gold awards at this year's prestigious Cuvée Wine Awards.

"The Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute (CCOVI) would like to take this opportunity to congratulate and acknowledge the accomplishments of our graduates," says Isabelle Lesschaeve, Director of CCOVI. "We are very proud of their contributions to the grape and wine community."

The following are the winners from the event:

**Limited edition red wine**  
Creekside Estate Winery Broken Press Shiraz 2004

Winemaker: Rob Power (Class of 2000), Assistant Winemaker: Geoff Taylor (Class of 2003)

**White wine**  
Thirty Bench Wine Makers Riesling 2005

Winemaker: *Natalie Reynolds* (Class of 2001), Assistant Emma (Lee) Garner (Class of 2004)

**Cabernet Sauvignon**  
Creekside Estate Winery Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2002

Winemaker: Rob Power (Class of 2000), Assistant Winemaker: Geoff Taylor (Class of 2003)

**Merlot**  
Herder Estates Winery Merlot 2004

Winemaker: Lydia Tomek (Class of 2004)  
**Red hybrid**  
Lakeview Cellars Estate Winery Baco Noir Reserve 2004  
Managing Winemaker, Tom Green (Class of 2001), Assistant Winemaker Jason Roller (Class of 2004)

**Sauvignon blanc**  
Peninsula Ridge Estates Winery Fume Blanc 2005  
Assistant Retail Manager, Natalie Gorejko (Class of 2004)

## Experts' Tasting 2007

Wine writers, media, wine makers, LCBO product consultants, sommeliers and wine educators alike came out on March 3 for the annual Experts' Tasting co-ordinated by the Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute (CCOVI). Thirty-five VQA wines were shown over the course of five flights and five guest speakers at this by-invitation-only tasting designed for experts in the wine trade who promote VQA wines through education and/or promotion. Each wine was selected from more than 100 submissions by a judging panel in three blind tastings prior to the event. The selected wines were then

poured for the 140 participants at the Experts' Tasting. Jean-Daniel Lafond, documentary filmmaker and husband of Governor General Michaëlle Jean, was in attendance at the event, as was a delegation from Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada, along with members of the Rideau Hall Wine Working Group. Media coverage of the event included *The Standard*, *Food & Drink*, *Wine Access*, *the National Post*, *The Globe and Mail* and others. For a full list of showcased wines, go to [www.brocku.ca/ccovi](http://www.brocku.ca/ccovi) and click on "Experts' Tasting."

## Advisory committee: Review of Associate University Librarian, Services

An Advisory Committee has been struck to conduct a five-year performance review of Deb Kalvee, Associate University Librarian, Services, pursuant to the review process outlined in the Faculty Handbook 11.3.3. (Kalvee's position is without term, but is subject to review every five years). The Advisory Committee is comprised of:

- Margaret Grove, (Chair) University Librarian
- Karen Bordonaro, Information Literacy Co-ordinator, Library
- Ian Gordon, Science Librarian
- Pat Longo, Head, Cataloguing Services, Library
- Maureen McCart, Copying and Printing Services, Library
- Barbara Whittard, Systems/Circulation, Library
- Corrado Federici, Associate Dean, Humanities
- Pauline McCormack, Executive Director, Human Resources
- Damien O'Brien, Student Senator

Members of the University community are invited to make submissions in writing to the Office of the University Librarian, c/o Fatima Noorbhai, by April 4, 2007. No anonymous submissions will be accepted; however all submissions will be edited to remove any information which might identify the writer before they are provided to the Advisory Committee for review.

Kalvee's CV is available through the Office of the University Librarian and is on reserve in the University Library.

## First annual Food for Fines

Students, faculty, staff and special borrowers are invited to participate in a one-day "Food for Fines Campaign" in the James A. Gibson Library. The event takes place on Wednesday, April 4, when library patrons can donate non-perishable food items in lieu of paying current overdue library fines. Donated food will be taken to Community Care St. Catharines and Thorold.

Donors will receive a \$1 fine reduction for each item donated (to a maximum of \$20). Alternatively, cash donations will be accepted if delivering food items is not feasible.

Food donations will be received at the Stack Circulation Desk on the main floor of the Library.

It is important to note that the fine waiver applies only to current overdue fines for items returned to the Library prior to April 5. It does not apply to charges for lost or damaged items and cannot be used for future fines.

### Suggested donations:

baby food	canned juice
rice or pasta	crackers
cereals	canned fruit
pasta sauce	canned vegetables
soup	peanut butter
dried beans	

### Items which CANNOT be accepted:

junk food	homemade food
dented cans	packages with
rusted cans	expired dates
open packages	

For additional information, please contact Robert Rossini at ext. 3727.

## Mediatalk

People in the news

Assistant Professor and Chair of the Department of Nursing Lynn Rempel was interviewed by the *Welland Tribune* for a Feb. 28 article - "Keeping Nurses in Ontario" - about the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care's program that will guarantee that all 4,000 graduating students from Ontario nursing schools will have full-time jobs for at least seven-and-a-half months. The program, first announced in 2006, will see the province spend \$89 million to cover the cost of paying full-time wages to nurses for a six-month period. In the article, Rempel noted that "It's quite exciting because so often students cobble together part-time positions in order to try and get that first full-time position."

Rempel was also interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard*, along with Brock nursing student Jeff Biletski, for a March 15 article about the same announcement, entitled "Program gives shot in arm to nursing students." Biletski, who graduates this year, has already secured a position in the surgical unit at Greater Niagara General Hospital in Niagara Falls.

Dean of Mathematics and Science Ian Brindle was interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a March 2 story - "Public credited for Niagara River rebirth." - about the ongoing cleanup of the Niagara River.

Brindle was also recently interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a March 10 story about the release of the inventory of chemicals that were in the warehouse of Clean Harbours Canada Inc., in Port Robinson, when it was destroyed during a Feb. 19 explosion. The article, which was also reprinted in the *Niagara Falls Review* and *Welland Tribune*, noted that the blast was primarily fuelled by 83,000 kilograms of lithium batteries.

Associate Professor of Recreation and Leisure Studies Ann Marie Guilmette was recently interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a March 3 Niagara Closeup article about the proliferation of young gamblers. In the article, entitled "Youths the target of gambling boom," Guilmette notes that "to make a successful prediction is very empowering. It's very empowering at a time when their identities are forming.... Gambling is a perfect opportunity for them to receive that kind of powerful confirmation and affirmation of success."

Director of International Services John Kaethler was interviewed by the

*St. Catharines Standard* for an article - "Brock celebrates its international flavour" - about the fourth annual Celebration of Nations that took place at the University in Pond Inlet on March 7. The event featured student displays from 35 of the 84 countries represented at Brock.

Professor and Chair of the Department of Geography Hugh Gayler, who specializes in urban planning, was interviewed by local media about the release of population and dwelling statistics from the 2006 census by Statistics Canada. His comments appeared in the March 14 editions of the *Niagara Falls Review* - "Census reveals growth surge across the region" - and *Welland Tribune* - "Welland breaks through psychological barrier; Population tops 50,000." Gayler's comments were also featured in an editorial, entitled "Managing Growth," that appeared in the March 15 issue of the *Welland Tribune*.

Professor of Economics and Director of the Brock Centre for Social and Economic Research on Niagara Lewis Soroka was also interviewed about the release of the 2006 census data. Soroka's comments appeared in a March 14 *St. Catharines Standard* article - "'Landlocked' St. Catharines below national growth rate" - and he was also a guest on AM 610 CKTB's "Six O'clock News Hour" program on March 13.

Assistant Professor of Communications, Popular Culture and Film Dale Bradley was recently interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a March 13 article on how to cope with e-mail overload, entitled "You've got (too much) mail". In the article, Bradley, whose teaching areas include technology and culture, and social history of information technology, elaborates on the benefits and drawbacks of e-mail. The article was also reprinted in the *Kingston Whig-Standard* (March 14), *Sarnia Observer*, *Lindsay Daily Post* (March 15) and *Kirkland Lake Northern News* (March 16).

Associate Professor of Applied Linguistics Thomas Farrell was interviewed in the March 2007 issue of *Essential Teacher*, a magazine published by the Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL). The article, entitled "The Teacher is the Method," is available online at [www.tesol.org/s\\_tesol](http://www.tesol.org/s_tesol). Farrell, who is editor of TESOL's *Language Teacher Research Series*, also published an article, "A Place for Teachers in Research," in the print edition of the March 2007 issue of the magazine.

## Brock Briefs

### On-campus student and staff accommodation - May through August

Online applications are now being accepted for students and visiting faculty who will be requiring accommodation on campus during the period of April 29 to August 25. Rooms and unit rentals are available in Quarry View Residence for this purpose. For more information, visit our website at [www.brocku.ca/summerres](http://www.brocku.ca/summerres) or contact Conference and Event Services at ext. 5303.

### MA thesis defence

Applied Health Sciences student Kendra Willard will present her thesis defence, entitled "Gendered Attitudes and Family Planning Decision-Making in Honduras" on Thursday, April 5 at 11 a.m. in WC 284. Thesis Supervisor: Terrance Wade; External Examiner: Ivy Bourgeault, McMaster University; Committee Members: Susan Arai and Ana Sanchez; Chair: Dawn Prentice. All are welcome.

### Student art exhibit in Sean O'Sullivan Theatre lobby

*What were we thinking?* is an exhibition of works by students from Brock University's Department of Visual Arts that runs from March 26 to April 6 in the lobby of the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. A dynamic show featuring drawings by 16 students who work with a diversity of approaches, subjects, and techniques. The drawings vary greatly in size, and they were created in response to specific assignments, or as part of each student's individual body of works realized over the term.

### Faculty of Education presents graduate conference

The Graduate Department of the Faculty of Education will host its 25th annual Graduate Conference on Saturday, May 5. The theme of the event is "Showcasing Student Success: Invitational Learning Communities in Action." Guest speaker is Dr. William Purkey from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

For more information, call Lynn.Duhaime at ext. 3340 or e-mail: [Lynn.Duhaime@brocku.ca](mailto:Lynn.Duhaime@brocku.ca)

# 2007 Niagara Parenting Conference

Registration is now open for Brock's ninth annual Niagara Parenting Conference "It's not the Simpsons or the Cleavers," taking place Saturday, April 21, at Denis Morris High School in St. Catharines. The keynote speaker for this year's conference will be Dr. Jean Clinton, a child and adolescent psychiatrist and an Assistant Clinical Professor, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Neuroscience at McMaster University.

Clinton is an inspiring speaker with an

interest in early child development, parenting and asset building.

Pre-registration is strongly encouraged for this conference, and is on a first-come, first-served basis. Cost: \$25 single, \$40 couple. Some bursaries are available.

For more information on conference registration and costs, please contact the Niagara Parenting Conference at ext. 4070, npc@brocku.ca or visit the website: www.brocku.ca/niagaraparentingconference

# Turntablism course for youth at Rodman Hall

Does your child want to be a DJ? In this course students will learn all about DJ culture: history, mixing and scratching records, collecting and presenting music, remixing songs, audio production, microphone use and getting work as a DJ. The focus of the lessons will be hands-on DJ work using two turntables and a mixer, as well as CD mixing equipment, MP3 mixing software, microphones and audio production software. Students will have a chance to show off their techniques at the end of the course in

a collectively organized all-ages event.

This four-week course for youth ages 12 and up is offered on Wednesdays, from April 4 to 25, from 7 to 9 pm. Cost: \$109/\$100 (member)

Instructor Marinko Jareb, aka DJ \$tink\*\$ki the machine, has been a DJ and event promoter for 16 years. Register by phone at ext. 4775, or in person at Rodman Hall Arts Centre, 109 St. Paul Crescent, St. Catharines. For more information, visit us on the web: www.brocku.ca/rodmanhall/education

## Faculty and Staff

### APPLIED LINGUISTICS

**David Hayes** was invited to present a plenary paper at the "Primary Innovations: Supporting change in primary English language teaching" international conference in Hanoi, Vietnam, held March 7 to 9. Hayes' paper was entitled "English language teaching and systemic change at the primary level: Issues in innovation". He also gave a presentation on his experience in Sri Lanka prior to joining the faculty at Brock: "Making a difference: The experience of the Primary English language Project, Sri Lanka."

### COMMUNICATIONS, POPULAR CULTURE AND FILM

At the annual conference of Society for Cinema and Media Studies held in Chicago, Ill. from March 8 to 11, **Barry Keith Grant** delivered a paper, entitled "Bringing It All Back Home: Peter Jackson's Films and New Zealand National Cinema," as part of a panel on Blockbuster Revisionist: The Films of Peter Jackson. He also served as a respondent to a panel on "Genre Mapping, Genre Optics" and gave a presentation as part of a workshop on "Scholarship and Consulting in the Expanded Media Domain."

### COMMUNITY HEALTH SCIENCES

**Miya Narushima** was invited by the Body, Medicine, and Culture Research Project at Keiko University in Japan to present at its "Culture and Aging" Conference. She delivered a paper, entitled "Loss, Rage and Discovery: A search for the meanings of old age," at Keiko University, Yokohama, Japan, on March 2.

### MUSIC

**Harris Loewen** conducted the Etobicoke Centennial Choir and guest artists in a program consisting of Handel coronation anthems (*Zadok the Priest, Let Thy Hand Be Strengthened, My Heart is Inditing and The King Shall Rejoice*) and Mendelssohn Psalm cantatas (*Hear My Prayer and Lass, O Herr, mich Hilfe finden*) on March 24, in Etobicoke.

**Karin Di Bella** presented a lecture-recital, entitled "Traditions Defined and Defied: The Solo Piano Works of Jack Behrens," at the Collaborative Conference 2007 of the Canadian Music Teachers' Association, the Music Teachers' National Association (U.S.) and the Royal Conservatory of Music, on March 27 in Toronto.

### PRE-SERVICE EDUCATION

**Darlene Ciuffetelli Parker** and **Louis Volante** presented "Promoting Reflection on Assessment within a Learning Faculty: A Collaborative Self-Study" at the Ontario Association of Deans of Education/Ontario Federation of Teachers Forum on Jan. 27.

**Louis Volante, Darlene Ciuffetelli Parker, Xavier Fazio, and Lorenzo Cherubini** presented a paper entitled "Fostering school-university partnerships within teacher education programs," at the Association of Teacher Educators Annual Meeting, San Diego, Calif. on Feb. 19.

### SOCIOLOGY

**Gokce Yurdakul** was invited by the Friedrich Ebert Foundation to give a talk, entitled "Jews and Turks in Germany: Immigrant Integration, Political Representation and Minority Rights," at the Center for European Studies at New York University. The talk was presented at the conference "Immigration and Cultural Exchange: German Jewish Presences in the U.S. and Post Cold War Germany," co-organized by New York University and Leo-Baeck Institute, held March 25 to 27.

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## Events

**Brock University Film Society (BUFS):** BUFS completes the Winter 2007 season on April 1 with *Notes on a Scandal* (Richard Eyre, UK, 2006, 92 mins. 14A). This chilling drama about a beautiful teacher caught in an affair with a 15-year-old student features explosive performances from Academy Award nominees Judi Dench and Cate Blanchett. Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance through the Brock Centre for the Arts Box Office. Prices are \$6 for BUFS members and students, \$8 for non-members. Call Amanda Bishop at ext. 3553 for more information.

**Centre for the Arts:** All performances begin at 7:30 p.m., in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise noted. For tickets and more information, please call the Box Office at ext. 3257, or visit [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca)

Upcoming performances include: Classic Albums Live: Pink Floyd - The Wall (SOLD OUT), Thursday, March 29; Samarabalouf! Saturday, March 31; The Funk Brothers, Thursday, April 5; Decidedly Jazz Danceworks: Magnetic Consequences, featuring Jackie Richardson, Thursday, April 12; Jesse Cook, Saturday, April 14 (SOLD OUT) and Sunday, April 15 (limited tickets still available); Rising Tide Theatre: No Man's Land, Wednesday, April 18.

**ENCORE!** The Department of Music concludes its 2006-07 ENCORE! Series with the enchantment of Mozart's *The Magic Flute (Die Zauberflöte)* in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre, Brock University, on Friday, March 30 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$28.50 adults; \$22.50 students/seniors, and are available at the Centre for the Arts Box Office, ext. 3257.

**DUO CHORI II:** The Department of Music presents DUO CHORI II, their second joint choral concert of the season, on Saturday, March 31. Under the direction of conductor Harris Loewen and accompanist Lesley Kingham, the 84 voices of the University Chamber Choir and Women's Chorus, along with student soloists, present an inspiring collection of choral works by both Canadian and international composers of many eras. Enjoy DUO CHORI II on Saturday, March 31, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Thomas Anglican Church, 99 Ontario St., St. Catharines. Tickets are \$10, and are available at the Centre for the Arts Box Office, ext. 3257, or at the door.

**Department of Classics:** Professor Martin Millett, Laurence Professor of Classical Archaeology, Cambridge University, UK will be presenting a guest Kress Lecture, entitled "From Iron Age to Roman in Britain: A Regional Study of Romanization" on Sunday, April 15, at 3 p.m. in AS 215. This event is sponsored by the Department of Classics at Brock University and the Niagara Peninsula Society of the Archaeological Institute of America. The event is free of charge and everyone is welcome to attend.

**Biological Sciences seminar series:** All seminars take place at 12 noon in the specified rooms.

• Friday, March 30, in TH 256: Lisa Teather, Department of Biology, Wilfrid Laurier University, will present "Platelet-activating factor (PAF) mediates pain processing via distinct anatomical and cellular sites of action." Host: Joffre Mercier.

• Friday, April 13, in MC H313: James Ballantyne, Department of Integrative Biology, University of Guelph, will present "Membranes and metabolism: Environmental considerations." Host: Jeff Stuart.

• Friday, April 27, in MC H313: Susan R. Abrams, Plant Biotechnology Institute, Saskatoon, will present "Targeted Profiling of Plant Hormones." Host: Grad Students.

## Classified

**Accommodations wanted:** Retired couple seeking a house or condo to rent in St. Catharines area for July and August. Please contact: [intheson@verizon.net](mailto:intheson@verizon.net)

**For rent:** Lower one-bedroom apartment available. Located in area behind Pen Centre. Separate entrance, recently renovated, with large living area, kitchen with fridge, freezer, gas stove and fireplace and renovated bathroom with shower. Shared laundry. Monthly rent is \$700 which includes all utilities, heat, hydro, water. Call 905-562-1712 for more information.



# BrockNews

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A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## 'New and grand commitment' to graduate studies

With the creation of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Brock University sends a strong signal about its "new and grand commitment to graduate studies and research," says Professor Miriam Richards, Chair, Senate Graduate Studies Committee.

The University Senate unanimously endorsed the creation of Brock's seventh Faculty on March 21. Graduate Studies joins the Faculties of Applied Health Sciences, Business, Education, Humanities, Mathematics and Science, and Social Sciences.

"I think this represents a major philosophical change, because in the past, graduate studies and to some extent research, have been 'add-on' to the primary enterprise of the University, which was undergraduate education," says Richards. "Now undergraduate and graduate education, and teaching and research can be integrated into a larger academic enterprise that really is about 'higher learning'."

"The creation of Brock's Faculty of Graduate Studies is a wonderful step forward for the University," says Marilyn Rose, Dean, Graduate Studies. "The new Faculty will bring graduate faculty and graduate students together across the disciplines and will definitely enhance the profile of research and graduate studies at Brock University."

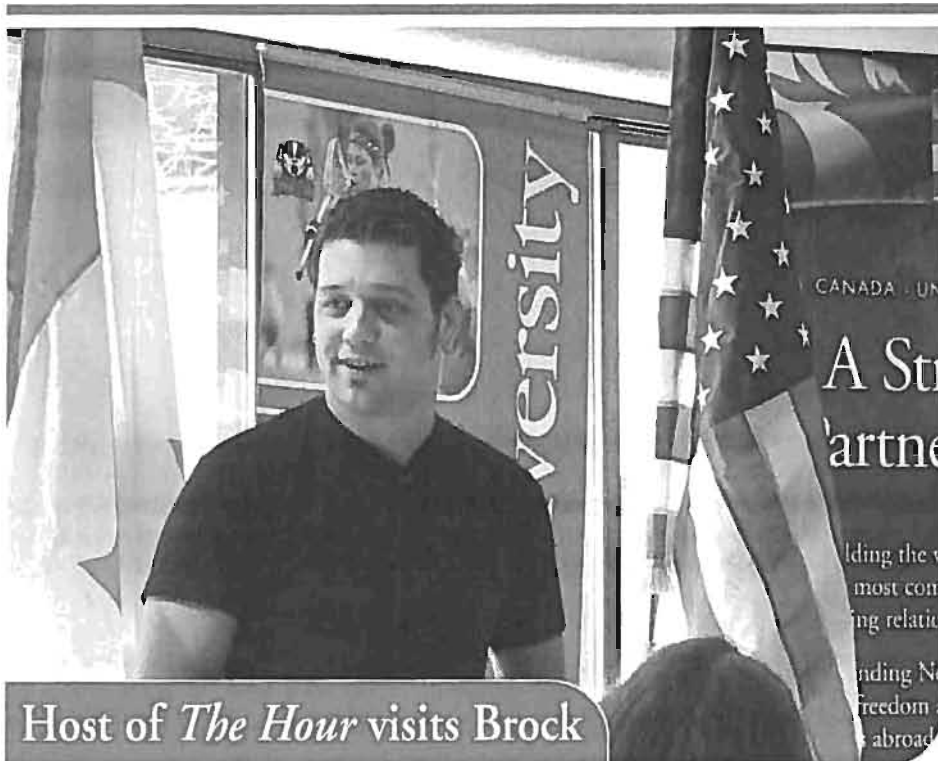
Brock offers 37 graduate programs, including six PhD programs. From 2000-06, there was a 106 per cent increase in graduate programs, a 92 per cent increase in graduate degrees awarded, a 55 per cent increase in graduate scholarship applications, and a 1,250 per cent increase in workshops offered to graduate students and faculty by Graduate Studies.

A report to the University Senate, presented by Richards, said "this commitment must be made clear both externally, to government, to other institutions, and to the Niagara community, and internally, to all sectors of the University, both academic and administrative."

In addition to promoting and supporting graduate education and research, a dedicated Faculty will also help to attract top national and international graduate students, formalize a collectivity of members who have a common voice, join other Ontario, North American and European universities that also have a Faculty of Graduate Studies or equivalent, and advocate for students.

Calling it a step in the right direction, Ashleigh Miatello, President, Graduate Students' Association, said that "by recognizing graduate students as a collective at Brock, we will be able to foster a sense of community and inclusion on campus."

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## Host of *The Hour* visits Brock

George Stroumboulopoulos, Host of CBC's *The Hour*, was at Brock on March 30 to deliver a keynote address for a binational conference. "Crossing Borders" is an undergraduate research conference focusing on Canada-U.S. issues, including popular culture, history, politics and language and literature. More than 80 students from Canadian and U.S. universities and colleges presented the outcomes of their research and scholarship. The event was presented jointly by Brock University, the Canadian Consulate in Buffalo, N.Y., and the U.S. Consulate in Toronto.

## Awards handed out to top athletes

At the 2007 Brock Athletics Annual Awards Dinner held last month men's wrestler, Jamie Macari (St. Catharines) and women's soccer player Melanie Mol (St. Catharines) took home top honours as the 2006-07 Brock Male and Female Athletes of the Year.



Jamie Macari

Macari earns Brock Male Athlete of the Year honours for his second consecutive year. He ended his university career on a high, leading the men's wrestling dynasty to its ninth straight Canadian Intersport (CIS) and 13th straight Ontario University Athletics (OUA) Championship. At the 2007 CIS Wrestling Championships, Macari made history becoming the first wrestler in CIS history to capture five straight OUA and five straight CIS championships. In five OUA and CIS Championships, he posted a perfect 35-0 record. For his performance, he was named the CIS Outstanding Wrestler and was the recipient of the Bob Pugh Fair Play Award for sportsmanship.

Male Athlete of the Year finalists were men's basketball player Brad Rootes and men's rugby player Jarod Selby.



Melanie Mol

Melanie Mol becomes the first women's soccer player to receive Brock Female Athlete of the Year honours. She ended her university career as an OUA First Team All-Star for her fourth straight season as well as earning team MVP honours for the third time. Mol's defensive presence helped goalkeeper Tiffany Scriver finish tied for third in the CIS

in shutouts (9) while the team as a whole allowed only eight goals during the 2006 regular season. In her career she was also a three-time team captain and a CIS Second Team All-Canadian. In five seasons, the Badgers posted a 28-14-12 overall record (.630 winning percentage), including four straight winning seasons and two OUA regular season division titles.

Female Athlete of the Year Finalists were women's wrestler Michelle Fazzari and figure skater Kaylyn Pecaric.

Other winners for 2006-07 were:  
**Brock Team of the Year:** men's curling and women's figure skating.  
**Director's Award:** Stan Lapinski, Pat Doherty and Kithio Mwanzia; **Winning at Life Co-ordinators** Dallas Beaton and Becky Gallant; and **IMPACT Program coordinators** Heather Goemans, James Fielding and Brenden Cooper.

**Coach of the Year,** presented by Josten's: Brock men's lacrosse head coach Dan Pilon.

Men's soccer player William Gott received the **R. M. Davis Surgite Award**, which goes to the athlete that best combines academics and athletics.

Marcy Hadgraft received the **Tom Kearney Award** for the top student athletic therapist.

Paul Piscitelli was the recipient of the **Brock Athletics Professional Development Award** while Amanda Kennedy received the **Sports Information and Marketing Award**.

Retiring coaches Bill Payne (cross country) and Jenn Howe (women's lacrosse) received gifts from the Department of Athletics for their hard work and dedication as coaches at Brock.

Brock University Chancellor Dr. Raymond Moriyama and his wife Sachi received a special going-away gift from Brock University Director of Athletics Lorne Adams.

Serge Gigliotti, a Brock University employee, received a special award for his hard work behind the scenes within the Walker Complex and specifically for Brock Athletics.

## Brock teams up with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Niagara to create annual student award

A new partnership between Brock and Big Brothers Big Sisters Agencies of the Niagara Region to create a student award will benefit two students entering the University next Fall.

The Brock University Big Brothers Big Sisters of Niagara Award will be presented to two high school students affiliated with Big Brothers Big Sisters attending post-secondary education at Brock next academic year. Each of the two awards is valued at \$8,000.

Applications for the annual award, which include components to be filled out by the student as well as his or her big brother or big sister and case worker will be available from the Student Awards and Financial Aid Office at Brock.

"Brock is pleased to partner with Big Brothers Big Sisters to support the work they do throughout Niagara," says Rico Natale, Director, Student Awards and Financial Aid. "The University recognizes the importance of working with community agencies to recognize the achievements of its members and to promote the value of a post-secondary education."

"We're excited and 'over the top' about the opportunities this award program will present for the young people of the Region that we serve. At Big Brothers Big Sisters, we know that mentorship works and has a positive life-long impact on a child," says Dale J. Davis, Executive Director on behalf of Big Brothers Big Sisters Agencies of the Niagara Region. "A grant of this kind enables the young people in our programs to continue their education, make their dreams come true and reach their full potential."

Brock commits in excess of \$5 million annually for undergraduate student awards and financial aid. In 2006-07, the University provided scholarships, bursaries and work study opportunities to more than 4,800 undergraduate students.

Big Brothers Big Sisters agencies across Niagara work hard to ensure that every child who needs a mentor, has a mentor. There are currently 1,200 children across the Region involved in Big Brothers Big Sisters programs. There are more than 450 children waiting for an opportunity to welcome a mentor into their lives.

Complete information about the Brock University Big Brothers Big Sisters of Niagara Award can be found on the Student Awards and Financial Aid website at: [www.brocku.ca/studentawards](http://www.brocku.ca/studentawards)

## Research conference wraps up today

Today is the final day of the Mapping the New Knowledges conference, which showcases and celebrates leading-edge research by Brock's graduate students and faculty.

The conference is being held at Pond Inlet, although breakout sessions will be held in various rooms throughout the day.

Ninety-five presentations — 53 oral and 42 poster — explore areas as diverse as active living and public leisure services, the social implications of Alfred Tennyson's *Idylls of the King*, children's illustrated Bibles, workplace bullies, female risk-taking behaviours, new approaches in mortuary archaeology in the Bronze Age, a transdisciplinary approach to understanding dominant autism discourses, and the impact of childhood obesity on bone strength.

Of the submissions, 82 are from graduate students and 13 are from faculty members.

Brock President Jack Lightstone delivered the keynote address yesterday and Dr. Noreen Golfman, president of the Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences, delivered the plenary address this morning.

The conference begins to wrap up at 5 p.m. with the presentation of awards and the draw for conference prizes.

## Election of a staff representative to the Board of Trustees

The General Bylaws of the Board of Trustees specifies that three members from the permanent staff, elected by the permanent staff members of the University, serve staggered three-year terms on the Board. Permanent staff members who are managers reporting directly to the President or to a Vice-President are not eligible to serve.

Effective June 30, 2007, there will be one permanent staff vacancy on the Board. Therefore, an election of one representative from the permanent staff for a three-year term commencing July 1, 2007, will be held on Friday, May 18, 2007. The poll will close at 4:30 p.m. on that date.

Nomination forms are available from the Secretariat Office (ST 1107) and must be signed by at least three members of the permanent staff and the nominee, and submitted to the Secretary to the Board of Trustees no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, May 4, 2007.

If an election is required, ballots will be distributed to all members of the permanent staff on or before Wednesday, May 9, 2007. Completed ballots are to be returned to the Secretary to the Board of Trustees, sealed in the envelope that will be provided. Ballots not returned in this manner and by the close of the poll at 4:30 p.m. on May 18 will not be counted.

The candidate leading the poll will be declared elected to the three-year term.

Please contact Mike Farrell, Secretary to the University, ext. 3335, if you have any questions.

## Learning Commons: Looking forward

*Planning for the Learning Commons has gained considerable momentum in recent months. With input from students, the Learning Commons partners and various advisory groups, a major feasibility study has been completed that provides an exciting design layout that incorporates and transforms the upper level of the former University Book Store and the main floor of the James A. Gibson Library. Floor plans and artist renderings are now on display in the Library. A series of profiles will appear in upcoming issues of Brock News explaining the benefits that the new Learning Commons will provide to various constituencies around the University.*

Heather Hudson and Amy Gradwell provide vital services to students, even though they are students themselves.

For many, the transition to post-secondary studies or first jobs may seem ominous. Hudson and Gradwell help take out that fear of the unknown for many Brock students.

Hudson is a Studywrite Assistant for mathematics and science and Gradwell is a Learning Skills Assistant, both with the Student Development Office. Their job is to help students succeed. They provide help with grammar, time management, exam techniques, components of essay writing and the promotion of good study skills. They conduct writing clinics, workshops on procrastination avoidance, and "how to ace tests and exams" clinics.

In addition to completing their own studies, they see 15 to 40 students per day in their role as peer assistants. Some students cite the benefits of talking to a peer helper —

the peer helper is closer in age and has been through the same experience more recently or the student might not want to alert the professor that there is a problem.

Hudson and Gradwell hold workshops and do one-on-one consultations in various spaces across the University, moving from room to room. Due to space restrictions on campus, students requiring assistance may have to search to find out where they might find help on any given day.

Both students are looking forward to the completion of the new Learning Commons where there will be space dedicated to learning support. There will be space for collaborative and individual study. There will be information technology help and Career Services. There will be computers, wireless access and tables and comfortable chairs. There will be coffee. Students will have a convenient, comfortable, welcoming and inspiring space — a space that will help them succeed.



### Mark your calendar for Wellness Day

Every June, the Brock University Annual Employee Wellness Conference is a day for faculty and staff to pause, connect and focus on their personal and professional health and well-being. Be sure to mark your calendar for Wednesday, June 20, for this year's event entitled, "For You." Keep watching your mailbox and the conference website: [www.brocku.ca/wellnessconference](http://www.brocku.ca/wellnessconference) for details as they unfold. If you have any questions, please e-mail: [oehs@brocku.ca](mailto:oehs@brocku.ca)

## Library sponsoring contest for undergraduate students

The James A. Gibson Library is sponsoring a contest for a \$500 library research award for undergraduate students.

To qualify for this contest, a student must submit an application, a copy of a paper written for a Brock course, and a 500 to 750 word essay describing how he or she used library sources to write the paper. The selection criteria will include looking at what types of sources were consulted, how well the searching process was described, and what evidence of learning is present in

the essay. This contest is open to any undergraduate currently enrolled in either a half or full course at Brock University.

The application form and more information can be found at: [www.brocku.ca/library/researchaward.htm](http://www.brocku.ca/library/researchaward.htm)

The deadline for submissions is Sunday, April 15. One winner will be chosen by Monday, April 30.

For further information or any questions, please contact Karen Bordonaro at [kbordona@brocku.ca](mailto:kbordona@brocku.ca)

## Professor to receive professional recognition award

Frances Owen, Chair, Department of Child and Youth Studies, will be recognized tomorrow for her professional leadership and achievement by the Ontario Association for Developmental Disabilities (OADD).

Owen and Barbara Vrostko, Executive Director of Community Living Welland Pelham, will share the Professional Recognition Award for 2007 at the annual conference of OADD for their work with Rights, Respect and Responsibility — Community University Research Alliance (3Rs — CURA), a program for persons with intellectual disabilities.

Ten years ago, Community Living Welland Pelham invited researchers from Brock University to assess its abuse prevention program. As a result of that invitation, 3Rs — CURA was formed. The community director of the program is Vrostko and the University lead is Owen.

The two women have worked to ensure that there is a culture of rights that protects even the most vulnerable. The program is a multi-tiered approach to rights protection: training for individuals in rights and self-advocacy, training for staff, education of medical and legal professionals, an empowered planning approach and an arbitration procedure for rights restrictions. They have created a culture in which rights can be exercised with respect and responsibility.

Their efforts have also received provincial and federal recognition and funding to continue and extend this model throughout Niagara and beyond.

Persons with intellectual disabilities are twice as likely to experience abuse and 150 per cent more likely to be sexually abused. Abuse is the greatest mental health risk for persons with intellectual disabilities. It was discovered that persons with intellectual disabilities did not know they had the right to say "no", even to abuse. It was also found that abuse was a symptom of a larger issue — the denial of the rights.

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"I am excited about the new graduate culture that will inevitably develop on Brock's campus," she continued. "Working together, the Graduate Students' Association and the new Faculty of Graduate Studies will have the opportunity to enhance the graduate student experience at Brock University."

Another key component in the Faculty's formation is improved competitiveness in obtaining government funding, said the report.

"The creation of a Faculty of Graduate Studies is of paramount importance to the current climate of Ontario university funding," said the report. "Funding for both operations and capital expansion is now tied to increases in graduate enrolment."

Specifically, the report noted, the province has recently announced funding to add 12,000 graduate spaces to the Ontario university system by 2009-10. It will only fund graduate studies growth, and capital investment will only follow graduate enrolment growth.

"Universities have no choice but to attempt to meet these aggressive expansion targets," said the report to Senate. "To fail to do so will be to lose both operating and capital project funds — the only source of increased funding that will be available to the universities for the foreseeable future."



## Brock plays host to high school students



Brock students Natalia Mioduszewska and James van den Brink present information on university life to students from Thorold Secondary School at a recent shadow day program.

Nine students from Thorold Secondary School (TSS) visited Brock on March 22 as part of a shadow day program where they were partnered with current Brock students.

The program was conceived through ongoing discussions between various Brock partners (including the Office of Recruitment, the Registrar's Office, SMART Start, Student Awards and Financial Aid, the Student Development Centre and the First Generation program) and representatives from Thorold Secondary earlier in the year.

What initially resulted was a question-and-answer period for Grade 12 students at the school informing them about university life.

On March 7, Jesse Barraza of the First Generation program, Kevin J. Kiss, Deputy Registrar, and five Brock students – Jordan Taylor, Susan Abou Fadel, Mary Gray, Santy Restrepo, and Kate Pettypiece – provided a 45-minute informal discussion to students at TSS who planned to attend a university. The five students discussed academic life, social involvement, athletics, working on campus, balancing time, being successful at university, living away from home, living at home and going to school locally, services that are offered on campus, First Generation and enjoying the university experience.

"The biggest visible benefit is that the students hear about the experiences from their peers — students who have faced the same challenges and the same scenarios," says Irene Gibbins, Head of Student

Services at TSS.

"The impact of experiencing a lecture and taking in a class provides a real context for these students in advance of their full-time university studies."

The goal of the session was to make students aware that high school is very different than university and the expectations are much greater. The Brock contingent wanted to impress upon the high school students that they can be successful. Part of the university experience is to take advantage of all the services and events that a university has to offer. Much of the learning at university takes place outside the classroom.

At the question-and-answer period, the high school students were offered the opportunity to attend Brock for a day to spend on campus with Brock students.

"We want to give the students a chance to see their new university community, connect with students, take part in seminars and lectures, eat on campus, take a tour and get a feel for university life," said Kevin J. Kiss. "This type of program is an innovative way for us to get students thinking about university early enough to ensure their success."

Some other pilot projects that are ongoing with TSS include a question-and-answer session with Grade 11 students. Also a parent question-and-answer session is being planned for later this month.

"The more prepared we can make our incoming students, the more positive experience they will have," says Kiss.

Visual Arts at Brock. Her art combines the curiosity of the scientist with the vision of an artist. In this exhibition she treads the fine line between careful planning and then letting a process take over – often with serendipitous results! There will be an opening reception in The Gallery on Monday, April 16, from 7 to 9 p.m. All are welcome! This exhibit is supported by the Dean of Humanities.

### Couples wanted for research on health, trauma and intimacy

Couples who have been together for at least six months and have access to the Internet are invited to participate in a study of health, trauma and intimacy. Each member of the couple will complete an online questionnaire (approximately 45 minutes). This research has been approved by the Research Ethics Board (File # 04-392). Anonymity and confidentiality are assured. Each couple will be paid \$50. For more information or to participate, please contact Stephanie at Brockcouples@hotmail.com

## Mediatalk

### People in the news

**Larry Savage**, Assistant Professor of Labour Studies and Political Science, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a March 16 story about his role in helping the St. Catharines and District Labour Council organize a protest outside Club Roma during a private appearance by Liberal leader Stéphane Dion in St. Catharines on March 17. The Council is protesting the Liberals' plan to withdraw support for proposed anti-scab legislation in Bill C-257. The article, entitled "Pickets prepare for Dion's Niagara visit," also appeared in the *Niagara Falls Review*.

**Garth Stevenson**, Professor of Political Science, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an article about the 2007 federal budget. In the March 17 article, entitled "Tories promise middle-income tax cuts," Stevenson commented on the Bloc Québécois' proposal to vote against the budget if Quebec did not receive a massive increase in equalization payments. Stevenson was also interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a March 29 article about the Quebec provincial election, "Quebec election means no referendum: Local MPs."

**Jean Bridge**, Director of the Centre for Digital Humanities Studies in Arts and Culture and Professor of Visual Arts, and Barry Joe, Associate Professor of Digital Humanities, were recently interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a March 17 article about current cellphone trends, entitled "Teens use cells for more than just talk."

**David Fancy**, Assistant Professor of Dramatic Arts, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* about the creative arts therapy conference that took place at Brock at the end of March, organized by the Faculty of Humanities and Applied Health Sciences. The March 19 article, "Healing through art," was also reprinted in the *Niagara Falls Review* (March 19) and the *Brantford Expositor* (March 23).

**Teresa Menzies**, Professor of Organizational Behaviour, Human Resources, Entrepreneurship and Ethics, was interviewed on AM 610 CKTB's "Drive at Five" program on March 21 about three fourth-year Business Administration students competing in the national Nicol Entrepreneurial Award competition, held in Ottawa on March 27.

**Tanya Martini**, Associate Professor of Psychology, was recently interviewed by *Niagara This Week* about her four-year

study examining the help, advice and support mothers and daughters give and receive from one another and how each feels about it. The March 21 article, entitled "Mother-daughter bond subject of Brock study" also notes that Martini is looking for between 30 and 40 mother-daughter pairs to complete her study. Mothers must be over 65 and living independently while daughters must live within a one-hour drive (about 100 kilometres).

**Janet Westbury**, Movement Specialist in the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology, was featured in a March 23 *St. Catharines Standard* news brief, "Brock University instructor will shave head to raise money for hungry children," about her pledge to shave her head if the community helps her raise \$2,000 for Children's Hunger Fund Canada. The head-shaving took place on March 28 at Issac's Pub on campus.

**Dale Bradley**, Assistant Professor of Communications, Popular Culture and Film, gave an interview on March 13 with the *St. Catharines Standard* on how to cope with e-mail overload – "You've got (too much) mail." It was recently reprinted in the following newspapers: *Owen Sound Sun Times* (Mar 21), *Peace River Block Daily News* (March 23), *North Bay Nugget* (March 24), *The Kitchener Waterloo Record* (March 27), *Niagara Falls Review* (March 29), *The Fredericton Daily Gleaner* (March 30), *Sault Star* (March 31), *Sudbury Star* (March 31).

**David Fennell**, Professor of Tourism and Environment, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a March 24 story about couch surfing, an online network of travellers from all corners of the world who help each other save money by offering a place to crash. The article, entitled "Couch Surfers," was also reprinted in the March 26 issue of the *Welland Tribune*.

**Jane Koustas**, Professor of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures, was interviewed by AM 610 CKTB on March 30 about the "Crossing Borders" undergraduate research conference focusing on Canada-U.S. issues that took place at Brock on March 29 and 30.

**Charles Burton**, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science, was recently interviewed by Diana Dai about the impact of Quebec election on Canadian politics broadcast on Omni-2 Mandarin TV on March 31 (re-broadcast April 1 and April 2). For more in-depth information of Burton's media appearances, including audio clips and links to online articles, please visit: <http://spartan.ac.brocku.ca/~cburton>

## Brock Briefs

### On-campus student and staff accommodation – May through August

Online applications are now being accepted for students and visiting faculty who will be requiring accommodation on campus during the period of April 29 to August 25. Rooms and unit rentals are available in Quarry View Residence for this purpose. For more information, visit our website at [www.brocku.ca/summerres](http://www.brocku.ca/summerres) or contact Conference and Event Services at ext. 5303.

### Art exhibit features work by Diane Eaton

Diane Eaton, Senior Lab Co-ordinator and an instructor in the Department of Biological Sciences, will present an exhibition of her artwork, entitled "The Art of Process – Recent work by Diane Eaton" in the lobby of the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre from April 16 to May 6. Eaton is an accomplished artist and has a BA in

### 2007 Niagara Parenting Conference



Registration is now open for Brock's ninth annual Niagara Parenting Conference "It's not the Simpsons or the Cleavers," taking place Saturday, April 21, at Denis Morris High School in St. Catharines. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged for this conference, and is on a first-come, first-served basis. Cost: \$25 single, \$40 couple. For more information on conference registration and costs, please contact the Niagara Parenting Conference at ext. 4070,

[npc@brocku.ca](mailto:npc@brocku.ca) or visit the website: [www.brocku.ca/niagaraparentingconference](http://www.brocku.ca/niagaraparentingconference)

### Men with health problems wanted for online study

Earn \$15 for only 20 minutes of your time. If you are dealing with arthritis, asthma, diabetes, prostate problems or digestive problems, and would like more information, or to participate, please contact Stephanie at [sw03sd@brocku.ca](mailto:sw03sd@brocku.ca). This research has been approved by the Research Ethics Board (File # 04-392). Anonymity and confidentiality are assured.

### Jack Layton appearance today

Jack Layton, leader of the federal New Democratic Party, will be at Brock later today to speak on educational issues and host an open forum with the Brock community. The event, hosted by the Brock University Students' Union, will take place at 2:30 p.m. in AS 216. For more information, visit [www.busu.net](http://www.busu.net)

## Faculty and Staff

### APPLIED LINGUISTICS

**Hedy McGarrell** and Michael Fitze delivered a paper entitled "Teacher Talk in Two Prewriting Conference Conditions" at the 41st annual TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) Convention, held in Seattle, Wash. from March 21 to 24. McGarrell also gave an invited presentation as part of a workshop entitled "Getting Started, Getting Published With TESOL Publications."

### CHEMISTRY

**Tomas Hudlicky** recently visited several maritime universities, giving a lecture at Dalhousie University, St. Francis Xavier University, Mount Allison University, and St. Mary's University entitled: "Chemoenzymatic synthesis of morphine and amaryllidaceae alkaloids: Progress report."

### CLASSICS

**Michael Carter** delivered the keynote paper entitled "Undressed to Kill: Views of the Retiarus" at the first Annual Classics Conference at the University of New Brunswick on March 16.

### EARTH SCIENCES

**John Menzies** gave an invited lecture on March 16 to the Niagara Peninsula Geological Society on the topic of Global Warming and the recent Al Gore Movie, *An Inconvenient Truth*. The lecture was entitled "An Inconvenient Truth or An Inconvenient Paradigm: Global Warming: Is it Too Hot to Handle?"

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

**Ann Howey** delivered a paper entitled "Changing Self, Changing Other: Patricia McKillip's *The Changeling Sea* as Feminist Fairytale" at the 2007 International Conference on the Fantastic in the Arts in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., on March 16.

### HISTORY

**Behnaz Mirzai** recently participated in the official opening of the Harriet Tubman Institute by Canada's Governor General Michaëlle Jean at York University. This event marked the 200th anniversary of the British abolition of the slave trade.

### MATHEMATICS

**H. Ben-El-Mechaiekh** presented a talk on "Extensions of the Intermediate Value Theorem to Non Convex Set-valued Maps of Neighborhood Retracts in Infinite Dimensions" at the Department of Mathematics' Seminars Series at Ryerson University, on March 15.

**YuanLin Li** recently organized an algebra workshop held March 14 at Brock. The workshop dealt with several areas of algebra including non-commutative rings, group algebras, and combinatorial number theory, and featured four guest speakers, including two international professors.

### MUSIC

**Harris Loewen** conducted the Avanti Chamber Singers in a performance of Henry Purcell's *Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis* during a special evensong service at St. Mark's Anglican Church, Niagara-on-the-Lake, on April 15. The event marked the dedication of a new carillon (bell chimes) for the parish.

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND KINESIOLOGY

**Barbara Kennedy** recently co-choreographed a contemporary dance-drama composition entitled "Windmills Of Your Mind" with her daughter Adrienne (fourth-year, Dramatic Arts major). The presentation for Showcase 2007 in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre on March 22 united dancers from Physical Education and Kinesiology, Dramatic Arts, and Concurrent Education.

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

**Leah Bradshaw** delivered the 2007 Pacey Memorial Lectures on "Tyranny: Ancient and Modern" at the University of New Brunswick, on March 20 and 21. The Annual Pacey Lectures in the Humanities and Social Sciences were established in 1981 to honour the late Desmond Pacey, a scholar of Canadian literature.

### PRE-SERVICE EDUCATION, FACULTY OF EDUCATION

**Louis Volante** presented a paper at the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development Annual Conference, held in Anaheim, Calif. in March. The paper is entitled "Strategies for reducing bias in classroom assessment."

### VISUAL ARTS

**Arnold McBay** recently exhibited his work at Thielsen Galleries in London, Ont. The exhibition was entitled "Minimal Marks" and also featured the work of Doug Dolman and Gerald Pedros.

## Publications

**Bell, H.** and **Li, Y.** "Duo group rings," *Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra*, 209 (3), pp. 833-838.

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**Elcombe, Tim.** (2007). "Olympic Ideals: Pragmatic Method and the Future of the Games." In Gerald P. Schaus and Stephen Wenn (Eds.) *Onward to the Olympics: Historical Perspectives on the Olympic Games*. Waterloo, Ont.: Wilfrid Laurier University Press.

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On March 23, President Jack Lightstone was introduced to the 170 employees at Canadian Tire Financial Services (CTFS) in Welland by company president Marcoe Marone.

Lightstone spoke about the opportunities for the University and corporate Niagara to develop new models of engagement and partnership as part of a long-term vision to ensure their respective success and vitality.

Prior to the presentation, the two Presidents congratulated the first student recipients of the CTFS Business Scholarships (Tammy Zhang and Brian Frid). Pictured at the event are, from left: Don Cyr, Associate Dean, Brock's Faculty of Business; Blair Pollard, VP Human Resources, CTFS; Marone; Frid, Zhang; Lightstone; and Mary Turner, VP Credit Risk Management and Chief Operating Officer, Canadian Tire Bank.

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**Kitchen, J., Smyth, E., Thompson, S., and Lemoire, J.** (2007). "Promoting equity, diversity and social justice school-wide." In Carol Rolheiser (Ed.), *Schools-University Partnerships: Transformation of Teacher Education*, pp.18-20. Toronto: Ontario Institute for Studies in Education of the University of Toronto.

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**Mirzai, Behnaz.** (2006). "Le commerce des esclaves africains dans l'Iran du XIXe siècle." *De l'Afrique à l'extrême Orient*, Nantes: Les Cahiers des Anneaux de la Mémoire, pp. 29-40.

**Ritchie, Ian.** (2007) "Sociological Theories of Sport." In Jane Crossman (editor) *Canadian Sport Sociology* (second edition), Toronto: Thomson/Nelson, pp. 21-39.

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## Events

**Department of Classics:** Professor Martin Millett, Laurence Professor of Classical Archaeology, Cambridge University, UK, will be presenting a guest Kress Lecture entitled "From Iron Age to Roman in Britain: A Regional Study of Romanization" on Sunday, April 15 at 3 p.m. in AS 215. This event is sponsored by the Department of Classics at Brock University and the Niagara Peninsula Society of the Archaeological Institute of America. The event is free and everyone is welcome to attend.

**History Department Speaker Series:** Dr. Wladimir Berelowitch, University of Geneva, will present a lecture, "Educating Elites in Eighteenth-Century Russia," on Friday, April 13, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at 573 Glenridge Ave., Room 212. All are welcome.

**Centre for the Arts:** All performances begin at 7:30 p.m., in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise noted. For tickets and more information, please call the Box Office at ext. 3257, or visit [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca)

Upcoming performances include: Decidedly Jazz Danceworks: Magnetic Consequences featuring Jackie Richardson, Thursday, April 12; Jesse Cook, Saturday, April 14 (SOLD OUT), Sunday, April 15 (limited tickets still available); Rising Tide Theatre: No Man's Land, Wednesday, April 18; Nnenna Freelon featuring Fusion Vocal Jazz Ensemble, Blueprint of a Lady - Sketches of Billie Holiday, Thursday, April 26; The Celtic Tenors with the Niagara Symphony, part of *The Standard OrchEXTRA!* Series, Friday, April 27 and Saturday, April 28; Storytime with Robert Munsch (for ages 4+), Sunday, April 29 at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. (BOTH SHOWS SOLD OUT!).

**The Niagara Symphony:** Romantic Secret Garden: Brahms Violin Concerto featuring guest artist Jonathan Crow, violin, on Sunday April 22 at 2:30 p.m. (Pre-concert talk at 1:45 p.m.) at the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Call the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257 or visit [www.niagarasymphony.org](http://www.niagarasymphony.org)

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**Lease takeover:** 2004 Chevrolet Aveo 5 (hatchback, base model) available. Short-term lease remaining: eight months and 30,000 km left at \$237/month with \$250 down. Great student or second car. For more information, call 905-684-4982.



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A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## Layton visits Brock to speak on education issues



PHOTO: JIMMY COOPER

The Brock University Students' Union (BUSU) and the Brock New Democratic Party welcomed federal NDP leader Jack Layton to the University on April 11 to speak about education issues with more than 100

Jack Layton

students, faculty, staff, local labour leaders and members of the public.

Layton, who was introduced by BUSU President Kithio Mwanza, showed up for his speaking engagement 20 minutes late and thanked the crowd for waiting, noting that he "got tied up in the Tim's [Hortons], which is where politics is done in this country, when it's not being done in the pub or elsewhere."

Layton, who studied political science at McGill and York Universities and was a professor at Ryerson University, has been leader of the federal NDP party since 2003. His 45-minute presentation addressed two specific topics: post-secondary education and the environment.

With respect to education, Layton spoke about reductions in student access and the quality of education on university campuses across the country as a result of larger classes and increasing student-teacher ratios. He also addressed the issue of the rising cost of post-secondary education, noting that "students used to carry about 20 per cent of the cost of post-secondary education. Well it's now over 40 per cent."

Layton elaborated on the consequences of these trends, noting that students now have to work more while pursuing their studies and have to incur greater financial debts than ever before. He noted that "we need to make this basic principle of fairness of access to education a fundamental in Canadian society and that means a proactive role for a national government, especially when it's got a great big surplus."

Layton stated that the NDP has proposed a Canada Post-Secondary Education Act to help reduce tuition, enhance quality and protect Canada's public post-secondary education system.

On the subject of the environment, Layton noted that Canadians are fed up after years of inaction on climate change. He pointed out that the NDP's comprehensive changes to the Conservative's Clean Air Act with Bill C-30, which will re-commit Canada to its Kyoto Protocol obligations, is the "best environmental bill in Canadian history."

After his initial discussion in which he remarked, "I'm here as much to listen as I am to speak to you," Layton opened up the floor and responded to questions from the audience.

## \$6.6 million from province will aid infrastructure upgrades



President Jack Lightstone shakes hands with Chris Bentley, Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities as Jim Bradley, MPP St. Catharines, looks on.

A recently announced multi-million dollar investment in Brock University from the provincial government will support quality improvements at the University.

On April 10, Chris Bentley, Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities, and Jim Bradley, MPP St. Catharines, were on campus to announce that the institution would receive \$6.6 million in one-time year-end provincial funding.

Speaking to 50 invited guests and media, Bentley highlighted the importance of investing in post-secondary education and its impact on regional and provincial prosperity.

"Record numbers of students have found opportunity in our colleges and universities – 86,000 more than when we started," added Bentley. "Ontario's new economic strength depends upon access to quality postsecondary education and training – which is why we're helping students gain skills that will last a lifetime."

"Now students at Brock University will benefit from even higher quality education," added Bradley. "This investment will also deliver economic benefits to St. Catharines by supporting projects at Brock."

As announced in the 2007 budget, the McGuinty government is providing an additional \$365 million to create a better learning environment for students in college

and university, including support for new classrooms, modernized lab equipment and greater energy efficiency. This builds upon the government's \$4.2-billion investment in new faculty, library acquisitions and student services at colleges and universities this coming year. Under the \$6.2-billion Reaching Higher plan, funding to colleges and universities is increasing by 35 per cent over five years.

Brock President Jack Lightstone expressed his thanks to Bentley and Bradley for their commitment to post-secondary education at Brock.

"It goes without saying that we are pleased and grateful to receive these additional funds to support our core infrastructure as we strive to develop further along our chosen path," said Lightstone. "We are grateful to the Ontario government for their investment these last several years in Ontario's colleges and universities. It is among the wisest investments any government can make in the future welfare and development of the population it serves."

The funding to Brock will be put towards infrastructure needs such as the replacement of the 40-year-old fire alarm system for Schmon Tower and Thistle corridor as well as classroom modernization projects, including upgrading audio-visual equipment.

## Ned Goodman elected as new Chancellor



PHOTO: SUPPLIED  
Ned Goodman, one of the country's most significant investment industry leaders and Canadian business builders, has been named Chancellor of

Ned Goodman

Brock University. The announcement was made recently following Mr. Goodman's election by the University Senate, acting on the advice of the select Advisory Committee and with the full support of the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Goodman will succeed Dr. Raymond Moriyama who completed his term at Brock on March 31, 2007. Dr. Moriyama served as Chancellor since 2001.

As Chancellor, Mr. Goodman will assume a leadership role in advancing the University, and will play a vital role in the educational welfare of Brock students. The Chancellor confers all degrees and diplomas.

Through a career that started as a geologist and reaches back for more than 40 years, Mr. Goodman is today widely regarded as a key influence in Canada's investment management industry. His role as a securities analyst and portfolio manager has underpinned his success and delivered consistent performance to investors over many years. Goodman's Dynamic Funds, the fund family that traces its origins back to a small investment club begun 50 years ago and is now managed by his son, David, was a multi-award winner in the "fund of the year" category at last month's prestigious Lipper Awards.

As founder and chief executive officer of both Dundee Corporation and Dundee Wealth and as chairman of Goodman and Company, Ned Goodman continues to shape an impressive offering of financial services and investment opportunities into a widely diversified enterprise committed to shareholder value and investor success. Brock's ambition to remain at the forefront of business and other education connects easily with the lifelong interests of the man who today oversees such a broad range of investment activities. So do the University's ambitious plans for expansion.

"In welcoming Ned Goodman as Chancellor of Brock University, the institution will be continuing its legacy of growth by inviting an individual with incredible professional achievement and community involvement to help lead it into the future," says Brock University President Jack Lightstone. "Mr. Goodman brings experience, knowledge and an established presence that will assist Brock in providing a student-centred environment that focuses on exceptional teaching, research and scholarly activities."

Mr. Goodman will serve as Chancellor-Elect until his formal installation as Brock University's seventh Chancellor during Fall Convocation ceremonies to be held October 13, 2007. The appointment is for a three-year term.

For more information please visit [www.brocku.ca](http://www.brocku.ca) and click on "News."

**What's next?  
Watch for it  
next month**

### Brock Campus Store has moved

The Brock Campus Store has now officially moved to its new location on the ground floor of Plaza2006 next to the Student Centre. For more information please visit [www.brockstore.brocku.ca](http://www.brockstore.brocku.ca)

## Conference celebrates multidisciplinary research



Marilyn Rose, Dean of Graduate Studies, and graduate student Toran Sanli took in the activities at the recent Mapping the New Knowledges conference.

Graduate student Toran Sanli said he learned at the Mapping the New Knowledges conference that research at Brock has taken on a robust life of its own.

"My eyes were opened to the magnitude and diversity of research at Brock," said Sanli, who has completed his first year of a two-year Master of Science program in the Faculty of Applied Health Sciences. "Even in my own research, I have been guided by faculty to look outside the boundaries and to take a multidisciplinary approach."

Sanli was showcasing his research — "Resveratrol, a Red Wine Polyphenol Reverses Fatty Acid-Induced Insulin Resistance in Rat L6 Skeletal Muscle Cells" — at the second annual conference held April 10 and 11 in Pond Inlet and other campus sites.

Ninety-five presentations — 53 oral and 42 poster — explored areas as diverse as active living and public leisure services, the social implications of Alfred Tennyson's *Idylls of the King*, children's illustrated Bibles, workplace bullies, female risk-taking behaviours, new approaches in mortuary archaeology in the Bronze Age, a transdisciplinary approach to understanding dominant autism discourses, and the impact of childhood obesity on bone strength.

The winners for the poster session were Kendra Thompson (Social Sciences) for "Why are 4-Year-Olds Poor Eyewitnesses?" and Katarzyna Zygmunt (Applied Health Sciences) for "Naringenin, a Grapefruit Flavonoid, Stimulates Glucose Uptake in L6 Muscle Cells."

The winners for the adjudicated papers were Cindy Lee Scott (Classics, Humanities) for "Life, Death and the Late Bronze Age: New Approaches in Mortuary Archaeology at Ayia Sotira, Nemea, Greece" and Angela Duarte (Applied Health Sciences) for "Waiting Patiently: The Strategy of Latent Tuberculosis."

Brock President Jack Lightstone officially opened the conference. He said that working with graduate students and supervising their research greatly enhances any faculty member's own research endeavours, and that graduate students and faculty are true partners in the research enterprise. He also explored the importance of

multidisciplinarity, which helps researchers to think beyond disciplinary categories and constraints. These new perspectives "twist the kaleidoscope" and often lead scholars into new and productive ways of thinking. He added that this multidisciplinary approach had broadened and deepened his own understanding as a historian of religion, and that it is one of the great advantages of an interdisciplinary conference such as Mapping the New Knowledges.

Noreen Golfman, president of the Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences and Associate Dean of Graduate Studies at Memorial University of Newfoundland, re-titled her plenary presentation (with apologies to the Dixie Chicks, she added) to "Shut up and teach: the perils of the public intellectual."

She described the firestorm that resulted when, as an academic, she critiqued in the St. John's newspaper *The Independent* the "relentless sympathetic reporting" of Canada's involvement in Afghanistan, including the soft coverage by Newfoundland native and entertainer Rick Mercer.

Mercer's rebuttal letter, which she described as a hard-core assault, was posted on the Internet, and for the next three weeks, said Golfman, she was assailed "24 hours a day with a steady torrent of hate mail." When the written attacks escalated to phone calls, she arranged for security.

"I was demoralized by the anti-intellectualism and the misogyny," she said. "It became an opportunity to dump on university research and culture."

Debate must be encouraged by universities, concluded Golfman, although in the age of the Internet and post-9/11, speaking out is not without risks.

She said universities must make research accessible beyond campus borders, to create a world where people are educated in language and thought as they strive for tolerance, diversity and respect for human rights. She also urged faculty to participate in public debates as "public intellectuals" who can raise the kinds of questions that may otherwise remain unspoken.

## Learning Commons: Looking forward

Planning for the Learning Commons has gained considerable momentum in recent months. With input from students, the Learning Commons partners and various advisory groups, a major feasibility study has been completed that provides an exciting design layout that incorporates and transforms the upper level of the former University Book Store and the main floor of the James A. Gibson Library. Floor plans and artist renderings are now on display in the Library. A series of profiles will appear in upcoming issues of Brock News explaining the benefits that the new Learning Commons will provide to various constituencies around the University.

Many staff members at Brock University take advantage of the tuition benefit to further their own education and some have children enrolled at Brock. Julia Gottli (Child and Youth Studies) and Al Ross (Parking Services) each have children attending Brock. Gottli is also pursuing her degree in sociology.

In discussing the value of the new Learning Commons, Gottli and Ross felt that one of Brock's continuing strengths is the seminar system, where students learn in small group settings. Currently, beyond the seminar system, it's difficult to find space on campus for groups to meet and many end up at off-campus coffee shops. Building on Brock's reputation for group learning, the Learning Commons' variety of group discussion and

study areas and coffee bar will increase the opportunities for small group discussions and learning for all students, Teaching Assistants and faculty. The Learning Commons will also have an increased number of computer stations and laptop loans to help students who do not have daytime access to their computers.

Gottli noted that many mature students take evening classes and have difficulty locating services they require. With service areas in the Learning Commons including Career Services, the Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies, the James A. Gibson Library and the Student Development Centre, resources will be available throughout the evening with staff and peer helpers on hand to serve all Brock students.



## Distinguished service awards

On April 9, Brock recognized three employees with the Distinguished Service Award at the End of Term Mixer held in Pond Inlet. The awards are presented to staff who go beyond the call of duty in their workplace, performing at a high level and contributing to the overall culture at Brock. This year's recipients, pictured with Susan Mifsud, Assistant Director for Human Resources, left and President Jack Lightstone, right, are: Sergio (Serge) Gigliotti, Custodial Services; Colleen Catling, Assistant to the Dean of Applied Health Sciences; and Patti Froese, Telecommunications and Networking Services. Also recognized at the event were faculty and staff who have provided 25 years of service to the University: Mohammed Dore, Economics; Eunice Douglas, Library; Juris Dreifelds, Political Science; Joe Kenny, Athletics; Candace Kramer, Earth Sciences; Barb Lemieux, Information Technology Services; Bill Liddell, OBHREE, Faculty of Business; Shelley Martin, Campus Bookstore; George Melvin, Biological Sciences; Brian Metcalfe, MIBS, Faculty of Business; John Mitterer, Psychology; Fran Nickel, Financial Services; Linda Rose-Krasnor, Psychology.

## Athletics set to welcome 2007 Hall of Fame inductees

Lorne Adams, Director of Athletics, is pleased to announce the Brock Badgers 2007 Hall of Fame inductees. The Hall of Fame dinner will take place on Saturday, June 9 at the Lowenberger Residence Dining Hall.

The 2007 inductees include builders Mike Pelino and Al Pedler, women's basketball player Wendie (Nutt) Praakel, men's wrestler Aaron Pomeroy and men's track/basketball athlete Terry Rigg. The three championship teams being honoured are Men's Rowing (1967-68), Men's Curling (1971-72) and Women's Fencing (1984-85).

"This year's induction ceremony is the culminating event celebrating 40 years of excellence in Badger athletics," said Lorne

Adams. "It is fitting that we conclude the celebrations by honouring those exceptional athletes, builders and teams that formed the foundation for the pursuit of excellence that characterizes the athletic program here at Brock. We are grateful for their contribution and pleased to welcome them as the newest members of the Hall of Fame."

Ticket prices for the 2007 Hall of Fame Dinner are as follows: Adults \$50, children 12 and under \$20 per person. Tickets are available at the Brock University Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257 or online at [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca). For more information, visit the Brock Athletics website at [www.brocku.ca/athletics](http://www.brocku.ca/athletics)



## BACCHUS AT BROCK

Bacchus at Brock, an international/interdisciplinary conference on wine, will be held on campus on June 7, 8 and 9.

Highlights of the 2007 Bacchus at Brock include three disciplinary tracks of Science and Technology, Business and Culture featuring distinguished speakers such as:

- Hildegard Heymann, Professor of Enology and Sensory Science, University of California at Davis
- David Howes, Department of Anthropology, Concordia University, Montreal
- Isak (Sakkie) Pretorius, Managing Director of The Australian Wine Research Institute
- Antonio Rocha-Graca, Director of ADVID, Enologist, Research and Development, SOGRAPE Vinhos, S.A. Portugal
- Dominique Valentin, Centre Européen des Sciences du Goût and University of Burgundy, France
- Afternoon integrative sessions on Wine and Food, Regional Exploration (Niagara and Napa), and the Language of Wine will also be offered.

Early-bird registrations are available up until Tuesday, May 1. To take advantage of the special rates, or for more information, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/bacchus](http://www.brocku.ca/bacchus)



## Aboriginal students recognized

This year's Aboriginal Achievement Award Luncheon was held on April 4 in Pond Inlet. Brock University and Aboriginal Student Services honoured one graduate Aboriginal student, Tanja Steinbach, and undergraduate Aboriginal student, Joslyn Jamieson, who showed high levels of achievement in their academic studies, community leadership, and campus involvement.

The goal within each of these areas of achievement is not to simply become a leader or a successful individual, but rather to become a student, engaged in an enriching personal educational experience.

## Brock offers youth an opportunity to go to university this summer

Youngsters from Niagara and beyond will have the chance to go to university once again this summer with Summer Enrichment Camps for Kids run by Youth University at Brock.

Youth University offers more than 40 different programs in two age groups for youth finishing Grades 3 to 5 and 6 to 8. Programs provide students with opportunities to dissect owl pellets, study projectile vomiting, build and program a moving robot and much more. There is something for everyone at Youth University with topics ranging from robotics and science to media and business.

"We strive to get youth excited about learning, build their self-confidence, help them develop social skills and provide a safe, inclusive and comfortable educational environment," says Susan McGlynn, Youth University's Enrichment Programs Manager. "Our adventurous recreational activities also encourage all camp participants to be healthy and active."

A typical day at camp combines activities such as swimming, high ropes climbing and team-building games with hands-on educational sessions. All learning takes place in Brock's state-of-the-art classrooms and labs.

"Our programs give Brock an opportunity to extend facilities and resources into the community by providing young students a chance to experience university life first hand," says Kate Cassidy, Youth University Director. "Youth University has an enormous impact on students and encourages them to consider how their interests and abilities might connect with post-secondary education."

Youth University also offers a volunteer development program for high school students to develop their employability skills. Teens participate in an interview and training workshop and practise their leadership and team skills in a supportive environment. Personal mentors guide students through the curriculum and all participants leave the program with a well-developed portfolio.

Summer Day Camps for Kids run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily every week from July 3 to Aug. 24. The cost is approximately \$150 weekly per child.

Complimentary extended hours are also available from 8:10 a.m. to 4:50 p.m.

To register for the camps and to find out more information, please call ext. 3120; or visit the website at [www.brocku.ca/youthuniversity](http://www.brocku.ca/youthuniversity)



The 548th meeting of the Brock University Senate was held on April 11, 2007. During the meeting, Senate:

- approved that the Aboriginal Adult Education and Bachelor of Education program be removed from the Undergraduate Calendar and that the new program proposal Bachelor of Education be accepted in the Tecumseh Centre for Aboriginal Research and Education;
- approved changes to the course bank for the Philosophy graduate program; approved the first calendar entry for the new MA in History graduate program; and approved proposed changes to the Graduate Studies section of Faculty Handbook III: 14.5, as amended;
- approved an amendment to Faculty Handbook III: 19 Awards;
- received an oral report from the President and Vice-Chancellor during which Dr. Lightstone expanded on the recent announcement by the provincial government of an additional \$6.6 million in funding to Brock through an infrastructure grant;
- received an oral report from the Vice-President, Academic and Provost during which Dr. Boak recognized two exceptional events recently held on campus: The Curriculum Planning Workshop organized by the Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies, and the Mapping the New Knowledges 2007 second annual Graduate Students and Faculty Research Conference organized by Graduate Studies and Research Services; and,
- received a report from the Committee on University Infrastructure, during which it was noted that the University will be formally recognized by The Royal Architectural Institute of Canada for its efforts in creating an architecture policy "Shaping Our Future - A Guide to the Planning, Design and Architecture of the Natural and Built-Environments" to direct future development and buildings at Brock during the 2007 Festival of Architecture in May.

Full details of Senate meetings are available at: [www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate](http://www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate)

## Sixteen faculty elected to Senate terms

Congratulations to the following faculty who were elected to Senate for the terms indicated. Sixteen nominations were received for the 13 positions available. Their term of service as members of the 2007-08 Senate begins on the day after Spring Convocation 2007. For a complete listing of the 2007-08 Senate go to: [www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate/SENATE-ELECT.pdf](http://www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate/SENATE-ELECT.pdf)

### For a three-year term (ending Spring Convocation, 2010)

Shyamal Bose (Physics)  
Maureen Connolly (Physical Education and Kinesiology)  
Christine Daigle (Philosophy)

Murray Kropf (School of Fine and Performing Arts – Visual Arts)  
Dan Malleck (Community Health Sciences)  
Carol Merriam (Classics)  
Tom O'Neill (Child and Youth Studies)  
John Sivell (Applied Linguistics)  
Garth Stevenson (Political Science)  
Michelle Webber (Sociology)

### For a one-year term (ending Spring Convocation, 2008)

Tansu Barker (Marketing, International Business and Strategy)  
Brian Roy (Physical Education and Kinesiology)  
R. Angus Smith (Classics)

## Mediatalk

### People in the news

**Ana Sanchez**, Associate Professor of Community Health Sciences, was interviewed by *Niagara This Week* for a March 30 article about receiving a \$1.5-million Global Health Research Initiative grant to work with stakeholders in Honduras to help combat infectious diseases within the country. In the article, entitled "Brock researcher gets grant to fight diseases in Honduras," Sanchez notes that the grant will be used to study why infectious disease is so prevalent in Honduras and then work with people there to develop local solutions. She notes: "You identify problems, you work locally with the community or populations that are affected, and then you come up with feasible, reasonable strategies."

**Mary Jane Miller**, Professor Emerita, Department of Dramatic Arts, was interviewed by e-mail with online magazine *Generique[s]: Revue mensuelle des series TV* about Canadian television drama and other aspects of Canadian television. The article, entitled "Canada: Exister Malgre Tout," appears in the latest edition of the magazine, which includes reviews of various drama specials and series from several countries. [www.nxtbook.fr/newpress/generiques\\_magazine/gm0702\\_01/index.php](http://www.nxtbook.fr/newpress/generiques_magazine/gm0702_01/index.php)

**David DiBattista**, Professor of Psychology and Associate Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for its "15 minutes with" column about receiving a 2007 3M Teaching Fellowship from 3M Canada and the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education. In the article – "He can actually make statistical analysis enjoyable" – DiBattista notes, "I think it's important that teaching is recognized in Canada. Research is an important part of what any university is about, but it's easy to forget excellent teaching makes an incredibly important contribution to society."

**Sheng Deng**, Professor of International Business and Marketing, was interviewed by *Niagara This Week* at a St. Catharines-Thorold Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Speaker Series luncheon for an April 4 article, "China has untapped potential for Niagara." In the article Deng explained how the astounding growth in the world's most populous nation is opening up doors for Niagara businesspeople.

**Ken Murray**, Brock Badgers Men's Basketball Coach, was interviewed by the *Hamilton Spectator* about the Florida Gators winning the 2007 NCAA men's basketball championship – "Gators' season started here." The Gators opened their 2006-07 season on Labour Day weekend

against the Badgers in an exhibition game at the University.

**David Siegel**, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an April 5 story about how much money mayoral candidates spent on their campaigns in the last municipal election, entitled "McMullan top spender in campaign." In the article, Siegel notes that "there aren't too many people who can afford to spend \$30,000 or \$40,000 for a job that pays about \$70,000. Most of us couldn't spend it, we don't have that, and that is going to limit the people who are going to run for office."

**Aaron House**, Manager, Student Awards, was interviewed on radio station 91.7 Giant FM about the newly created Brock University Big Brothers Big Sisters of Niagara Award, which will be presented to two high school students affiliated with Big Brothers Big Sisters attending post-secondary education at Brock. The taped interview was broadcast as part of the station's regular news cycle for the week of April 9 to 13.

Stories about the award, featuring comments by **Rico Natale**, Director, Student Awards and Financial Aid, were featured in the April 6 issue of the *Welland Tribune* – "Brock partners with Big Brothers Big Sisters" – and April 3 issue of the *St. Catharines Standard* – "Award targets students in need".

**Gregory Betts**, Assistant Professor of English Language and Literature, was featured on Toronto website [www.torontoist.com](http://www.torontoist.com) on April 10 about winning the site's Toronto poetry contest – "Torontoist Poetry Contest Winner: Betts is Best." He was presented with the award for his poem, "Eatons Effluviad". The article is available online at: [www.torontoist.com/archives/2007/04/how\\_is\\_nationa.php](http://www.torontoist.com/archives/2007/04/how_is_nationa.php)

**Charles Burton**, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science, recently participated in the following media interviews and appearances:

His views were quoted in an April 9 CBC article entitled "China hoped to thwart CRTC bid, defector alleges: Embassy allegedly wanted to enlist help of Chinese students."

He conducted an April 9 radio interview with Bill Gillespie on CBC Radio 1 and Radio 2 about allegations that the Chinese Embassy to Canada encouraged Canadians of Chinese origin to lobby the CRTC over the application of New Tang Dynasty TV for a licence to broadcast over Canadian cable networks. The interview was also broadcast as an item on the morning news program World Report.

For more in-depth information of Burton's media appearances, including audio clips, transcripts and links to online articles, please visit: <http://spartan.ac.brocku.ca/~cburton>

## Election of a staff representative to the Board of Trustees

The General Bylaws of the Board of Trustees specifies that three members from the permanent staff, elected by the permanent staff members of the University, serve staggered three-year terms on the Board. Permanent staff members who are Managers reporting directly to the President or to a Vice-President are not eligible to serve.

Effective June 30, 2007, there will be one permanent staff vacancy on the Board. Therefore, an election of one representative from the permanent staff for a three-year term commencing July 1, 2007, will be held on Friday, May 18. The poll will close at 4:30 p.m. on that date.

Nomination forms are available from the Secretariat Office (ST 1107) and must be signed by at least three members of

the permanent staff and the nominee, and submitted to the Secretary to the Board of Trustees no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, May 4.

If an election is required, ballots will be distributed to all members of the permanent staff on or before Wednesday, May 9. Completed ballots are to be returned to the Secretary to the Board of Trustees, sealed in the envelope that will be provided. Ballots not returned in this manner and by the close of the poll at 4:30 p.m. on May 18, will not be counted.

The candidate leading the poll will be declared elected to the three-year term. Please contact Mike Farrell, Secretary to the University, ext. 3335, if you have any questions.

# Dini Petty scheduled to speak at the June Wellness Conference



Dini Petty

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Canadian media personality Dini Petty will be among the workshop presenters at this year's Annual Employee Wellness Conference on June 20. Petty is

best remembered for her talk shows CityLine and The Dini Petty Show, where she became widely known as Canada's answer to Oprah.

Petty has been praised for openly

discussing her challenges with depression and menopause. In her workshop, "Menopause Makeover," participants will hear her light-hearted stories on her struggles with menopause and how she overcame them.

Many other excellent workshop offerings are in the works, including some old favourites and some exciting new additions. For planning updates, be sure to check out the Wellness Conference website at [www.brocku.ca/wellnessconference](http://www.brocku.ca/wellnessconference). If you have any questions, please send an e-mail to [oehs@brocku.ca](mailto:oehs@brocku.ca)

## President of SSHRC visits Brock

Chad Gaffield, President of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC), visited Brock April 12 to meet with faculty and students involved in various disciplines of research. In the morning, he met with students during an informal forum to discuss the benefits of SSHRC funding, and also to discuss some of the challenges of the program. Last year, Brock researchers received more than \$2 million in SSHRC funding.



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## Faculty and Staff

### ECONOMICS

**Robert Dimand** recently carried out the following activities:

He spoke on the history of game theory at Laurentian University, Sudbury, on Jan. 31; presented a paper "Tobin's Keynesianism" at the University of Toronto, March 2, and at a conference on Keynes at Sophia University, Tokyo, March 15; was a discussant at a conference on "Marshall, Schumpeter, and Social Science" at Hitotsubashi University, Tokyo, March 17; and presented a paper "What Keynesian Revolution?" at Waseda University, Tokyo, March 22, and at Buffalo State College, April 12.

### FINANCE, OPERATIONS AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS

**Mohamed Ayadi** was invited to present a paper entitled "Performance of Canadian Fixed-Income Mutual Funds" at the one-day conference on professional asset management at Erasmus University in Rotterdam (The Netherlands) on March 9.

### MODERN LANGUAGES, LITERATURES AND CULTURES

**Professor Emeritus Leonard Rosmarin** was invited by the Département de langues anciennes et modernes of the Université de Perpignan, France, to present a lecture on March 1 on the following topic: "L'Esprit fin de siècle dans les oeuvres d'Anatole France et Jules Massenet." On March 30, he accepted an invitation from the Département d'études pluridisciplinaires at the Glendon Campus of York University to give a lecture titled "Les rapports ambivalents entre barytons et sopranos dans l'opéra du 19e siècle." These two lectures came after a 12-day opera excursion that he led in Northern Italy under the auspices of Brock's Edutravel program. Opera houses visited included Milan's Teatro alla Scala and Venice's Teatro della Fenice.

### MUSIC

**Harris Loewen** conducted the Avanti Chamber Singers, accompanied by Lesley Kingham, in a performance of music by Henry Purcell, Keith Bissell and St. Catharines composer John Butler, during a special evensong service at St. Mark's Anglican Church, Niagara-on-the-Lake, on April 15. The event marked the dedication of a new 18-bell carillon recently completed for and installed by the parish.

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND KINESIOLOGY

**Paulette Côte** was invited as Visiting Professor at the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts, Feb. 5 to 9. She instructed the course Dance Teaching and Learning, part of the Academy's new Master of Fine Arts in Dance Program.

Last November, at the 2006 combined annual meeting of the Canadian Society for Exercise Physiology and the Canadian Society for Psychomotor Learning and Sport Psychology in Halifax, N.S., Brock's Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology (PEKN) had the largest delegation among all kinesiology departments across Canada. With 25 delegates, PEKN faculty (**Allan Adkin, Bareket Falk, Kim Gammage, Carla Geurts-Cole, Nota Klentrou, Diane Mack, Michael Pyley, Jae Patterson, Sandra Peters, Brian Roy, Rene Vandenboom, Philip Wilson**) and graduate students, together with colleagues from the Department of Community Health Sciences (**Brent Faught, Paul LeBlanc, Debbie O'Leary**) presented 20 scientific papers, ensuring Brock was well represented.

### VISUAL ARTS

Visiting Artist **Amanda Burk** is participating in "The Drawing Exhibition," curated by Barry Lorne for Arthouse Gallery in Calgary, Alta. The exhibition of contemporary work runs until May 4.

**Duncan MacDonald** has recently taken part in the following activities:

- A recent video artwork by Duncan, *Several attempts at crying on demand* (2005), was recently selected and nominated for an award by the All Canadian Film Festival in North Bay.
- he has been invited to present a new audio artwork as part of a contemporary art conference and exhibition during the week of June 11 in Paris, France, entitled *Relations entre arts plastiques et cinema: la question de la narration*.
- Recent video artworks by Duncan will be exhibited in the international contemporary art fair, MACO, in Mexico City from April 25 to 29. As well, Duncan will be exhibiting at *pm Gallery* in Toronto this May to July. Visit [www.pmgallery.ca](http://www.pmgallery.ca) for details.
- He will be exhibiting new drawings and one public sound sculpture, *White Picket Sound Fence*, throughout the month of August at the Andrew and Laura McCain Gallery in Florenceville, N.B.

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**Wolff, David; Marks, Steven G.; Menning, Bruce W.; Schimmelpenninck van der Oye, David; Steinberg John W. and Shinji, Yokote.** (2007). *The Russo-Japanese War in Global Perspective: World War Zero*. Vol. II. Leiden: Brill.

## Events

**The Niagara Symphony:** The Niagara Symphony presents A Night at the Proms... and More! Join us as we bring our 2006/07 Concert Season to a close while celebrating the rousing spirit of the "promenade," and clap, whistle and sing along with the orchestra. Saturday, May 5 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, May 6 at 2:30 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Pre-concert talks 45 minutes prior to curtain. Call the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext.3257 or visit [www.niagarasympphony.org](http://www.niagarasympphony.org)

**Centre for the Arts:** All performances begin at 7:30 p.m., in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise noted. For tickets and more information, please call the Box Office at ext. 3257, or visit [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca)

**Nnenna Freelon** featuring Fusion Vocal Jazz Ensemble: Blueprint of a Lady - Sketches of Billie Holiday, Thursday, April 26; The Celtic Tenors with the Niagara Symphony, part of The Standard OrchEXTRA! Series, Friday, April 27 and Saturday, April 28; Storytime with Robert Munsch (for ages 4+), Sunday, April 29 at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. (BOTH SHOWS SOLD OUT!)

## Classified

**For sale:** 1997 Jeep TJ, automatic, hard-top, 160,000 km. Excellent condition, asking \$4,500. For more information, please call 905-262-1212 after 5 p.m.

**Free to a caring home:** Two gentle, clean and affectionate guinea pigs who are unable to stay in their current home due to allergies. Come complete with an extra large cage, bedding, a how-to book and a starter kit of food. If you love animals and have room in your home, please call 905-984-2175 for more information.

**Accommodations wanted:** Retired Florida couple seeking a house or condo to rent in St. Catharines area for July and August. Please contact: [intheson@verizon.net](mailto:intheson@verizon.net)

## Correction

In the April 11 issue of Brock News, Canadian Tire Financial Services President Marco Marrone was incorrectly identified.



# BrockNews

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2007

A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## Revisions to weather policy and procedures

In March, the University invited the Brock community to share feedback as part of an evaluation of criteria for basing decisions on the cancellation of classes during weather-related conditions.

This feedback has provided the University with a better understanding of the Brock community's concerns and issues during times of inclement weather. Based on the responses, the University will work toward revising its policy and procedure to reflect a less-stringent approach toward winter class cancellation.

"We want to thank everyone who took this opportunity to provide feedback," says Steven Pillar, Vice-President Finance and Administration. "It is clear from the community's response that the University must shift its approach and, in particular, recognize the impact that closures in the region, including the school boards, have for our faculty, staff and students."

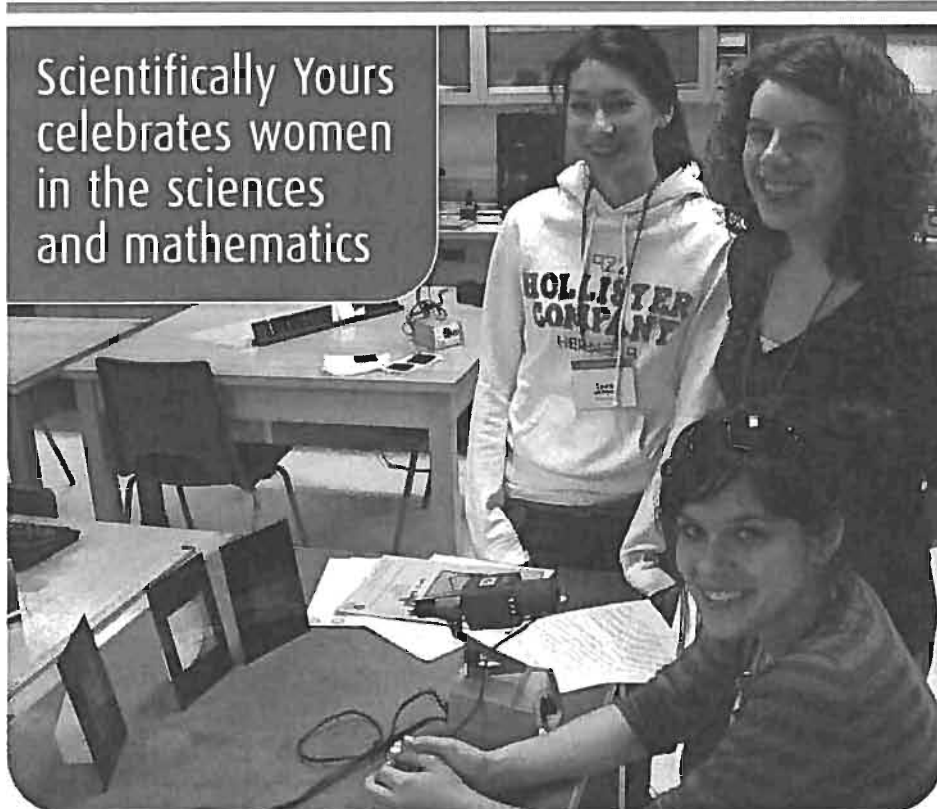
Concerns over safety will be paramount to the University's review of current policy and procedures. In addition, the review will take into consideration other feedback from the community, such as:

- child-care implications for members of the Brock community with school-age children when schools close for the day
- lack of public transportation for faculty, staff and students who live outside of city bus routes
- the need to address the confusion created when some individual classes are cancelled
- the impact on academic programming for faculty and students as a result of low class attendance
- improving communications of weather-related announcements
- changing the procedure to declare that the University is open or closed rather than continuation or cancellation of classes
- providing a clearer understanding of "essential staff"

As part of this consultative process, the University will share proposed changes to policy and procedures with the community prior to finalizing its position. It is intended that new policy and procedures will be in place for the beginning of the academic term in September.

What's next?  
Watch for  
it soon

## Scientifically Yours celebrates women in the sciences and mathematics



Ivana Komljenovic, standing right, works as a teaching assistant with high school students in the hologram workshop during the Scientifically Yours program. Komljenovic is a third-year student in Physics.

Scientifically Yours, a three-day program in which girls in Grade 11 live on campus and experience the sciences hands on, welcomed close to 100 high school students to the campus from April 30 to May 2. The program offers workshops designed to encourage young women to pursue studies in the sciences and mathematics.

In the 17 workshops and projects, students had the opportunity to learn what coffee cups, DNA and slime all have in common and investigated a heinous crime and identified the perpetrator as a member of CSI Brock.

Exciting new projects this year included: "Sunprints: where science meets art," an interdisciplinary project where students learned how to make cyanotypes, some of the earliest photographic processes; "Measuring the Mind," which teaches students about neuropsychology and how a brain functions; and "Take a Calcoolus Tour" - featuring interactive games developed by Brock math professors.

During the 18<sup>th</sup> annual conference, students also had the opportunity to view the night skies as telescopes were set up on campus by volunteers with the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada - Niagara Centre.

## BACCHUS AT BROCK HAS MUCH TO OFFER

The three-day interdisciplinary wine conference that begins June 7 here on campus has something for everyone. From the grape and wine research scientist, to the business academic, to the cultural scholar, even to curious wine enthusiast, there is programming to interest and inspire all during Bacchus at Brock. Visit [www.brocku.ca/bacchus](http://www.brocku.ca/bacchus) to



review the conference schedule and lecture highlights. There is an amazing diversity and depth to the offerings provided.

In addition, food and wine is a key component of the conference. On the Thursday and Friday nights there are special winery dinners featuring local food specialties in the caring hands of Niagara's  
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## Largest convocation ever to feature nine ceremonies

An estimated 4,000 students are expected to receive their degrees at this year's Spring Convocation, which will take place during nine ceremonies from Tuesday, June 12, to Saturday, June 16.

This year, Brock takes pride in awarding honorary degrees to the following distinguished Canadians:



Barbara Vyrosto

• **Barbara Vyrosto**, executive director, Community Living Welland Pelham, for her visionary leadership in service innovation and human rights education for people with intellectual disabilities;



Brian Tobin

• **Brian Tobin**, senior business advisor, Fraser Milner Casgrain and former Premier of Newfoundland and Labrador, for an outstanding career of

public service and meritorious contributions towards improving Canada's innovation performance and competitiveness in the knowledge economy;



Bluma Appel

• **Bluma Appel**, philanthropist of the arts, for her dedication and distinguished contribution to the arts in Canada through the development of the cultural sector as a volunteer, board member, fundraiser and philanthropist; and



Anthony R. Graham

• **Anthony R. Graham**, president and director, Wittington Investments Limited, for his outstanding achievements in business and community leadership in the arts in the Niagara region as well as the province of Ontario.

The dates, times and Faculties graduating will be as follows:

- Tuesday, June 12, 10 a.m. — Faculty of Applied Health Sciences
- Tuesday, June 12, 2 p.m. — Faculty of Applied Health Sciences
- Wednesday, June 13, 10 a.m. — Faculty of Social Sciences
- Wednesday, June 13, 2 p.m. — Faculty of Social Sciences
- Thursday, June 14, 10 a.m. — Faculty of Education

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## Surgite! going green

The Office of Alumni Relations is rolling out a new plan for its alumni publications that includes an environmentally friendly approach. By next spring, two (of the four) printed issues of *Surgite!* will be replaced with an electronic newsletter once every two months to provide more timely information on University and alumni news and events to graduates and members of the Brock community. A contest will be held next month to name the new electronic publication and to register subscriptions for electronic delivery.

The next issue of *Surgite!* will be published in mid-August 2007 followed by a second issue in Winter 2008. For information, contact Christine Jones, Director, Alumni Relations, at ext. 4320.

## Brock Care for Our Community Weekend

Community Connections is excited to be leading Brock University at the Brock Care for Our Community Weekend on May 26 and 27. We will be participating in four great events and everyone is welcome to join in!

**May 26 – Rankin Cancer Run** – 9 a.m. – Join us as we walk along the Welland Canal and raise money for cancer care in the Niagara Region.  
**Pull for Kids** – 10 a.m. – Here's your chance to pull a fire truck and support the Lung Association.

**May 27 – Walk to Cure Diabetes** – 9:30 a.m. – Come join our walk to help support Juvenile Diabetes.  
**Vineyard Cycle Tour** – 8:30 a.m. – Cycle through the vineyards of Niagara and help support Heart Niagara.

For more information, please contact Lauryn Richardson in Community Connections, at ext. 4000 or visit [www.brocku.ca/communityconnections](http://www.brocku.ca/communityconnections)

## E-mail confidentiality

On Monday, May 14, an e-mail confidentiality notice will be appended automatically as text, and not as an attachment, to all e-mail messages sent from a brocku.ca address, as follows:

*Confidentiality Notice: This e-mail, including any attachments, may contain confidential or privileged information. If you are not the intended recipient, please notify the sender by e-mail and immediately delete this message and its contents. Thank you.*

Including the notice is a good business practice and is in support of the University's Electronic Mail Policy, which states that e-mail users must make reasonable efforts to ensure that messages are directed to the correct recipient; and where individuals receive information that is obviously not intended for them, they should treat the information as confidential and return it to the sender or inform the sender and delete the e-mail.

For more information, contact Marion Hansen, Freedom of Information and Privacy Co-ordinator, at ext. 5380; e-mail: [mhansen@brocku.ca](mailto:mhansen@brocku.ca)

## New energy and water conservation initiatives announced

Brock has recently announced a series of wide-ranging energy and water conservation initiatives that are intended to lower the University's greenhouse gas emissions while allowing it to redirect the financial savings to academic and non-academic programs. The initiatives support planning and design guidelines for future savings as well as measures intended to achieve immediate results.

One of the most visible indicators of Brock's commitment to energy and water conservation is the recently completed Plaza2006, a \$23-million, five-storey, 86,000-square-foot building that houses the new Campus Store, classroom and lab space, and research facilities for the Lifespan Development Research Centre.

Plaza2006 was designed to achieve the Silver Certification of the Canada Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) green building rating system and is expected to use 43.5 per cent less energy annually than a building designed to the National Energy Code of Canada for Buildings.

Last month, Brock's Board of Trustees approved the use of the University's new "Guide to the Planning, Design, and Architecture of the Natural and Built Environments" that endorses and promotes the use of green-building technology.

"Our planning for both new and renewed buildings will now actively consider sustainable sites, water efficiency, energy and the atmosphere, materials and

resources, and indoor environmental quality," says Scott Walker, manager, Campus Planning, Design and Construction Services.

Immediate measures include adjusting thermostats, turning off lights in offices, classrooms, and laboratories, and turning off powered devices and equipment, such as computers, printers, monitors, and copiers, when not required to be in use. The University will also be looking at where and when parking lot lights are required to be turned on, along with emerging LED parking lot lighting technology.

"The most noticeable aspect of the new conservation program will be that the familiar ribbon of white lights around the top of Schmon Tower will no longer be turned on at night," says Thomas Saint-Ivany, Executive Director, Facilities Management.

Water conservation measures will see certain grassed areas of the University's Main Campus receiving less water through the irrigation system. Overall savings from this and other initiatives will enable the purchase and installation of replacement fixtures and devices such as water-efficient toilets with the goal of achieving a 54 per cent water savings.

"A number of initiatives have been identified by consulting with the University community, in particular with the trades and custodial staff of Local 1295 of the Canadian Union of Public Employees," says Saint-Ivany.

## Healthcare workers benefit from Nursing and Alzheimer Society workshop

The Department of Nursing, in partnership with the Alzheimer Society of Niagara Region, held a P.I.E.C.E.S.(tm) for Educators workshop on April 18. P.I.E.C.E.S.(tm) is a framework that supports nurses' providing holistic care for older persons with complex health challenges. Most nurses need specialized knowledge of geriatric nursing. "Students and nurses need to know they are geriatric nurses, no matter where they work," said workshop facilitator Marge Dempsey, Director of Client Services, Alzheimer Society of Niagara Region. Seniors are three times as likely as younger Canadians to be admitted to hospital and once in hospital they spend more time there than younger patients.

Facilitator Ann Tassonyi, Psychogeriatric Resource Consultant from the Alzheimer Society of Niagara Region and the Niagara Geriatric Mental Health Outreach Program, described assessment approaches for older

persons with mental and physical health challenges including delirium, dementia, and depression. Participants practised using a tool that promotes teamwork and problem solving when faced with these complex health challenges.

"This workshop helps us by providing more tools that support students' critical thinking and learning to lead in our community," said workshop organizer and Nursing faculty member Lynn McCleary. The 15 workshop participants commented that the workshop will help them in their teaching and in their nursing practice.

Nurses in long-term care across the province have been trained as P.I.E.C.E.S.(tm) resource nurses and it is being implemented in Niagara. Brock is the first university to provide P.I.E.C.E.S.(tm) education for faculty and clinical instructors, with funding from the Ontario Alzheimer Knowledge Exchange.

## The Learning Commons: Anything but common

*Planning for the Learning Commons has gained considerable momentum in recent months. With input from students, the Learning Commons partners and various advisory groups, a major feasibility study has been completed that provides an exciting design layout that incorporates and transforms the upper level of the former University Book Store and the main floor of the James A. Gibson Library. Floor plans and artist renderings are now on display in the Library. A series of profiles will appear in upcoming issues of Brock News explaining the benefits that the new Learning Commons will provide to various constituencies around the University.*

With the Brock University Students' Union endorsement and investment of \$1 million for the Learning Commons, coupled with the University's own commitment, the Board of Trustees recently approved a fundraising effort to support the Learning Commons initiative. The fundraising target is \$1 million in private gifts from the Brock community of alumni, parents, faculty, staff, University friends, foundations and corporations.

With this in mind, this year's campus campaign will focus on the Learning Commons. The campus community campaign is expected to be launched in August. Three Brock community volunteers will serve as

co-chairs: Greg Finn, Karen McAllister-Kenny, and Kithio Mwanzia. The community includes all faculty, staff and Board Trustees.

To date, parents, alumni, and other individuals have started the groundswell of support. Each group has recognized the importance of what the Learning Commons can mean for students, faculty and staff: much needed space for studying and the social aspect of learning; a "one-stop-shopping" concept for many services currently spread throughout the campus; and the role that trained peer helpers play in assisting fellow students with writing, exam preparation, and study skills.

Let's match the students' \$1 million pledge!

## Women in Science session

A half-day session for secondary school girls interested in the sciences will be hosted by Brock and the Business Education Council of Niagara on Wednesday, May 23.

The program, entitled "Look Beyond the Lab Coat," will include guided tours of some of Brock's science laboratories and a panel discussion with some of Brock's female researchers. It is open to secondary school girls in Grades 10 and 11. For more information, contact Jeannie Mackintosh, Office of Research Services, at ext. 5024; e-mail: [jmackint@brocku.ca](mailto:jmackint@brocku.ca)

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top chefs. The unique settings, stellar wines, creative cuisine and engaging company will make the evenings very memorable.

Not to be missed is the closing dinner for Bacchus at Brock 2007 where again our local chefs will show what Ontario can do on the bar-be-que. This laid back closing celebration will be held in this year's Grape King's vineyard (Matthias Oppenlaender) under the stars. As a special treat delegates will also enjoy the world premier of "Chefs Without Hats," a new, wine-special-event, local rock and roll band created from the professional musical talent from the "back of the house." To register for Bacchus and secure your spot for the party visit [www.brocku.ca/bacchus](http://www.brocku.ca/bacchus)

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- Thursday, June 14, 2 p.m. — Faculty of Education
- Friday, June 15, 10 a.m. — Faculty of Humanities and Concordia Lutheran Seminary
- Friday, June 15, 2 p.m. — Faculty of Mathematics and Science
- Saturday, June 16, 2 p.m. — Faculty of Business

All ceremonies will be held in the Walker Complex at the west end of campus, in the 23,000-square-foot Ian D. Beddis gymnasium. An outdoor reception for graduates, family members and other special guests will be held after each ceremony.

Stay tuned to future issues of Brock News for more information about the recipients of this year's Faculty Award of Excellence for Teaching, Governor General's Gold and Silver medals, and the Dean's medals for academic excellence.



# Freedom of Information policies and procedures now online

Brock's Freedom of Information policies and procedures are now online and can be accessed at: [www.brocku.ca/accessandprivacy/](http://www.brocku.ca/accessandprivacy/)

These policies include the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Policy, and the Access to Student Records and Disclosure of Information Policy.

Procedures found on the site include Handling Personal Information and Posting Grades, and

Returning Student Exams and Assignments.

Frequently asked questions and answers have been developed to supplement the above policies and procedures and are also available on the website.

For more information, contact Marion Hansen, Freedom of Information and Privacy Co-ordinator, at ext. 5380; e-mail: [mhansen@brocku.ca](mailto:mhansen@brocku.ca)

# Graduate Students' Association welcomes new executive

The Graduate Students' Association is saying farewell to the group of graduate students who have led the association for the past year. Conversely, five new students are being welcomed who will lead the association in a continued time of change. Over the past 12 months, considerable progress has been made to increase the presence of the GSA in addition to Graduate Studies on Brock's campus.

Listed below are the new executive members for 2007-08 with contact information for future reference:

Claire Meldrum, GSA President	<a href="mailto:gsapresident@brocku.ca">gsapresident@brocku.ca</a>
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GSA office	<a href="mailto:gsoffice@brocku.ca">gsoffice@brocku.ca</a>

# Virginia Tech thanks Brock for messages of solidarity

The staff of the War Memorial Chapel at Virginia Tech have acknowledged the messages of support and condolence from Brock University. Iris Cabatit, representing the Chapel, wrote Chaplain George Addison on April 23, saying:

"The VT community would like to sincerely thank you and your University for your continued support throughout these trying times. Your thoughts and prayers will be heard and can hopefully help us in the

healing process."

The Brock response to the April 16 Virginia Tech tragedy included messages from President Jack Lightstone, Brock University Students' Union President Kithio Mwanza and the Brock Chaplains, as well as a memorial service on April 20. A Book of Condolence, signed by many Brock students and faculty, has been sent to the VT War Memorial Chapel, where it will be displayed along with similar messages from around the world.

# Mediatalk

People in the news

**Brian Roy**, Associate Professor of Physical Education and Kinesiology, was interviewed by *Homemaker's* magazine for an article on burning calories, entitled "Calorie Cruncher." In the story, Roy notes that individuals burn calories at an elevated rate when resting for some time after activity.

**Barb Davis**, Registrar, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an April 16 article - "Davis running in Boston second time out" - about her participation in the 2007 Boston Marathon. In the article, Davis notes that "It's such a rush and a very personal accomplishment."

**James Mandigo**, Associate Professor of Physical Education and Kinesiology, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an April 17 story about Healthy Living Niagara, an initiative launched by Niagara Region's public health department, calling for the province to make it compulsory for all high school students to take a second physical education credit. In the article, Mandigo notes that school-based physical education courses give students equal access to information and skills they need to make healthy choices and adopt active lifestyles.

**Christine Tardif-Williams**, Assistant Professor of Child and Youth Studies, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an April 18 story about the 2007 Niagara Parenting Conference. The article, entitled "Teens talk," looked specifically at the conference workshop "Let's Talk World," which featured a panel of six high school students from Niagara Falls who addressed how teens want to talk and be talked to. In the article, which also appeared in the *Niagara Falls Review* and *Welland Tribune*, Tardif-Williams notes that the conference is a way for parents to get information and ask questions, or at least find out where to find help and information in the community.

**Mohamed Ayadi**, Associate Professor of Finance, Operations and Information Systems, was a guest on the April 19 segment of "Stars & Dogs" on ROB TV.

**David DiBattista**, Professor of Psychology and Associate Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, was featured in the April 2007 issue of *Maclean's* magazine that announced this year's recipients of the 3M Teaching Fellowship from 3M Canada and the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education.

**Terrance Wade**, Associate Professor of Community Health Sciences, was recently interviewed by the *Welland Tribune*, for an April 21 article on the subject of poverty -

"The high cost of poverty" - which is part of a three-part series on the topic. Wade, who is extensively quoted throughout the article, notes that "poverty really is something that sort of sets people on a trajectory limiting their access to resources for all sorts of things. These things generally lead to poor health outcomes, they lead to higher rates of mortality and all sorts of negative occurrences. Poverty just sort of sets a lot of other stuff in motion."

**Thomas Mulligan**, Associate Professor of Organizational Behaviour, Human Resources, Entrepreneurship and Ethics, recently had an editorial published in the April 23 edition of the *Toronto Star*, entitled "Not from Canada. Pity." The editorial, written in response to an April 21 article, "Target Canada," in which federal Finance Minister Jim Flaherty says that foreign business ownership levels in Canada are acceptable, notes that "globalization means Canadians face a future where foreign interests will have an increasing say in every issue that affects the distribution of wealth and societal behaviour."

**Michelle Lea**, Director of Admissions, was recently interviewed by the *Welland Tribune* for an April 26 article - "destination NIAGARA" - about Brock University and Niagara College drawing more students from outside the region. In the article, Lea notes that at Brock there is a lot of interest in pursuing a career in education, business, as well as the sciences or applied sciences which leads to careers in medicine or medical school.

**Charles Burton**, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science, recently participated in the following media interviews and appearances:

- Interviewed about Foreign Affairs Minister Peter MacKay's upcoming trip to China in the April 24 issue of *Sing Tao Daily*.

- Interviewed by Lynn Desjardins on Radio Canada International's "Canada Today" program on April 20 about the sentencing of Canadian Huseyin Celil in Urumqi.

- Featured in an April 20 *New Epoch Times* article, "TV Network Calls on Canada to Expel High-Ranking Chinese Official Over Interference," which quotes his views from an April 9 CBC Radio interview.

- Interviewed about the Celil case in the April 20 issue of *Sing Tao Daily*.

- Interviewed on CBC NewsWorld's "Canada Today" program from Calgary on April 19 about the Celil matter live from the lawn in front of the Schmon Tower.

For more in-depth information of Burton's media appearances, including audio clips, transcripts and links to online articles, please visit: <http://spartan.ac.brocku.ca/~cburton>

# Hockey Badgers announce annual awards

The Brock University Badgers men's hockey team officially concluded the 2006-07 season by announcing its team award winners at a reception held at the Lookout Lounge in the Seymour-Hannah Centre.

Third-year assistant captain Ryan Delmonte was recognized as the team's Most Valuable Player, as he received the Ed Davis Award. The team's Rookie of the Year and Best Defenceman award went to Paul Holder. Thorold native J. J. Martin was the recipient of the Most Gentlemanly Player award. Chris McLean earned the award for being the Hardest

Hitter. The award for the team's hardest-working and most-dedicated player, the 212 Degree Award, went to Pat Selin.

"The 2006-07 season was one we hope has set the foundation for success next year and beyond. Our goal is to win a national championship and all of this season's award winners will be

returning to help our team achieve that goal," said Brock coach Murray Nystrom.

The Badgers will open their second season at the Seymour-Hannah Centre when the eighth annual Steel Blade tournament will take place, Sept. 28 and 29, 2007.



# Brock Briefs

## Mathematics presentation to be given by Florida professor

The Department of Mathematics welcomes guest speaker, Professor Ravi R. Agarwal, from the Florida Institute of Technology, on Friday, May 11, at 11 a.m. in TA 262. Agarwal will be presenting "Singular and Nonsingular Boundary Value Problems on Infinite Intervals." All are welcome to attend. Any questions can be directed to Hichem Ben-El-Mechaiekh, at [hmechaie@brocku.ca](mailto:hmechaie@brocku.ca) or at ext. 3107.

## Wellness Conference sneak peek

Your day to pause, reconnect and invest in your wellness is only a few weeks away! This year's Wellness Conference, entitled "You First," is scheduled for Wednesday, June 20. Your copy of the Wellness Conference Workshop and Registration Guide will be arriving in your mailbox soon.

In the meantime, visit the Wellness Conference Website at: [www.brocku.ca/wellnessconference](http://www.brocku.ca/wellnessconference) for a sneak peek at the wonderful workshops being offered this year.

For more information about the Wellness Conference, please email [oehs@brocku.ca](mailto:oehs@brocku.ca)

# Health researchers receive more than \$130,000 in funds

Two projects by researchers in the Department of Community Health Sciences have recently been awarded more than \$140,000 from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR). The two projects were included in an announcement recently of 589 health research grants worth \$217 million for a wide range of projects across Canada.

Professor Ana Sanchez will receive \$39,784 over two years for a project that is part of a program jointly managed and funded by the Health and Social Security Sectorial Research Fund of Mexico (Fondo Sectorial de Investigacion Salud y Seguridad Social) and the CIHR. Its aim is to promote collaboration between Canadian and Mexican researchers in the area of tuberculosis in regards to health research, research training and knowledge translation, and to help develop sustainable networks of researchers in this area. Sanchez's project will specifically look at issues surrounding

pulmonary tuberculosis in Mexican agricultural workers in Canada.

Professor Terrance Wade will receive \$93,608 over two years to study mental health issues surrounding the heads of single-parent families. The project will examine the prevalence of mental health problems and mental health service utilization (access to care) among single-parent fathers and mothers in relation to married fathers and mothers.

"Promoting groundbreaking health research is a crucial component of our government's plan to build a healthy, prosperous and innovative Canada," said Health Minister Tony Clement. "The funding highlighted is helping to enhance the health research capabilities of our institutions across Ontario, which will benefit all Canadians."

For more information, please visit [www.brocku.ca](http://www.brocku.ca) and click on "News."

# Laughter really is the best medicine

Go ahead – chuckle, giggle, guffaw, roll in the aisles, split your sides. It's good therapy for you.

Humour can achieve emotional well-being, and this was the message offered by Professor Ann Marie Guilmette, Department of Recreation and Leisure Studies and the Women's Studies Program, at a free presentation last night, part of the 2007 Mental Health Week events on work/life balance.

The session was a collaborative event between the Office of the Accessibility Co-ordinator at Brock and the Niagara branch of the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA). Interest in the conference was so great that the session had to be moved to a larger venue on campus.

"We were very pleased to partner with CMHA to present this free and informative session to the Brock community and the broader Niagara community," said Margaret Sanderson, Accessibility Co-ordinator at Brock. "It was a very successful event and we look forward to partnering with CMHA

and other Niagara organizations for future events. The aim is to create awareness, remove barriers and build a more caring inclusive community."

During her presentation, Guilmette said that a community that laughs is a community that cares. Humour builds a sense of camaraderie and reduces the judging of other people's lives.

"Laughter and humour remove barriers, and we listen to each other more," said Guilmette. "As a society, we need to invoke strategies where we care about people and not just for people. It's not enough to train caregivers to do that; the whole community must be involved."

She cited the seven steps to healthier emotional lives as described by the Menninger Clinic, a centre in Houston, Tex., that offers psychiatric treatment, research and education: adapt to change, control anxieties, consider others, give of yourself, face reality, curb hostility and learn to care.

## Faculty and Staff

### CHILD AND YOUTH STUDIES AND APPLIED DISABILITY STUDIES

**Maurice Feldman's** research on parenting and disabilities is part of an *Amici Curiae* brief recently presented to the U.S. Supreme Court on a case involving parenting rights of people with disabilities.

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

**Adam Dickinson** was invited by Trent University in Peterborough on March 29 to read from and speak about his new book *Kingdom, Phylum*. He was a guest in the "Writers Reading" series sponsored by Peter Gzowski College and the Canada Council.

### FACULTY OF EDUCATION

**John Novak** delivered an invited address entitled "The Evolution of an Educational Theory" to the Honors Program at St. John Fisher College in Rochester, N.Y., on March 23.

**Lorenzo Cherubini** and **Louis Volante** presented "Beginning teacher sustainability: An examination of induction into the profession," on April 9 at the American Educational Research Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, Ill.

### MARKETING, INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND STRATEGIES

**Bulent Menguc** and **Seigyoung Auh** received the Best Conference Paper Award at the 2007 KAMS (Korean Academy of Marketing Science) Spring International Conference, held on April 21.

### MUSIC

**Harris Loewen** conducted the Niagara Vocal Ensemble, accompanied by pianist Lesley Kingham, in two concerts of partsongs on April 25 in Fort Erie and on May 6 in St. Catharines. All selections were choral settings of texts by major poets from Shakespeare to e. e. cummings. Terrance Cox served as special guest mc for the second date, which was the concluding concert in this year's University choral series.

**Karin Di Bella** was one of two piano adjudicators for the Stamford Kiwanis Music Festival in Niagara Falls, Ont., April 19 to 21. From April 23 to 26 she also adjudicated the entire piano division of the Renfrew Rotary Music Festival.

### NURSING

On April 21, first-year nursing student Nathan Kelly was elected to the executive of Nursing Students of Ontario (NSO), an interest group of the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario. The NSO is a provincial non-profit group representing undergraduate nursing students from across Ontario. Their mission is to promote, support and empower the full participation of Ontario nursing students as a powerful voice within society. Kelly will serve on the NSO executive as Student Liaison Officer.

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND KINISEOLOGY

**Paulette Côté** was appointed as the AAHPERD/National Dance Association (NDA) Research Chairperson and NDA Representative to the Research Consortium Executive Board for 2007-2010 at the recent AAHPERD Convention in Baltimore, Maryland, March 14-17, 2007. She also presented two posters entitled "Bilateral Transfer of Motor Skills in Dance" (with M. Kimmerle, University of Windsor, and J. Patterson, Brock University), "Children's Natural Rhythmic Abilities: Departure for Divergent Thinking in Dance", and conducted a workshop entitled "Musical Training for Dance Educators."

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

**Ingrid Makus** presented a paper entitled "The Politics of Recognition: Culture, Diversity and Constitutionalism" at a conference on Negotiating Diversity: Transatlantic exchanges between Canada and Europe at the Goethe-Universitat in Frankfurt, Germany, on April 20.

### PSYCHOLOGY

On April 23, **John Mitterer** delivered a colloquium entitled "Communication, Cognitive Apprenticeship, Technology, and Teaching" to members of the Psychology Department at Milwaukee Area Technical College.

### SPORT MANAGEMENT

**Craig Hyatt** gave a presentation entitled "A Breakdown in the Norm of Reciprocity: Examining Oiler Fan Reaction to Chris Pronger's Trade Demand from a Gift-Giving Perspective" at the 2007 Canada and the League of Hockey Nations Conference: Critical Perspectives on Hockey in Canada and Beyond, held in Victoria, B.C. in April.

### VISUAL ARTS

**Diane Borsato**, Department of Visual Arts at Brock University participated in in there, an experimental process-based collaborative project involving two other Toronto artists working with 12 students from the dance, music, and theatre departments of York University. Borsato's video *Snowbank: A work for a large group of dancers, and one trumpet* showed a troupe of "dancers" moving a snow bank across town by means of the TTC to the Art Gallery of York University (AGYU). The video is on display in the AGYU until June 24.

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## Classified

**For sale:** Antique crockery butter churn, \$40. For more information, call 905-937-4541.

**For sale:** Kenmore air conditioner with fan and dehumidifier, 12,000 BTU on wheels with remote control. Used one season \$900, asking \$500 or best offer. Call 905-680-2511 for more information.



## Professors to be honoured for teaching excellence

Brock University will honour six faculty members for their contributions to teaching as part of the Spring 2007 Convocation ceremonies to be held from Tuesday, June 12 to Saturday, June 16.

Recipients of the annual Faculty Award of Excellence for Teaching are chosen by a selection committee from each of Brock's six Faculties. Represented on the committee are Faculty members, staff and students. Nominees must have a reputation for superior teaching and be recognized for this quality by students and colleagues.

This year's recipients of Faculty awards of excellence are:

**Professor Gail Frost, Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences:**

Professor Gail Frost knows that students learn well when they are given the opportunity to apply their knowledge in contexts that relate to their chosen profession. Her effective teaching strategies include problem-based learning opportunities that guide student learning both inside and outside of the classroom.

Through her commitment to student-centred teaching and assessment strategies, Professor Frost provides students with confidence in their own abilities so that they may continue to learn and apply their knowledge after graduation.

**Professor Dorothy Griffiths, Department of Child and Youth Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences:**

Professor Dorothy Griffiths is the complete teacher. She is excellent in the classroom and as a mentor of other faculty members, but she has taken her love of teaching outside the conventional classroom to work with community associations.

Professor Griffiths has employed her teaching skills in being a mentor to new faculty and students. She is not only a good teacher, but she is instrumental in developing the teaching skills of others.

**Professor Joe Engemann, Department of Graduate and Undergraduate Studies, Faculty of Education:**

Professor Joe Engemann demonstrates an unflinching commitment to teaching that fosters critical thinking in his students. He is enthusiastic about his teaching and has the ability to spark that same passion and excitement in students who study with him.

Longevity in academic excellence, instructional innovation, and enthusiasm keeps Professor Engemann's classes, whether in person or in the cyber world, intellectually stimulating and personally challenging. He is committed to discovering new opportunities in practice and theory that encourage students to explore their roles as teachers and expand their knowledge of teaching principles.

**Professor Andrew McDonald, Department of History, Faculty of Humanities:**

Professor Andrew McDonald not only inspires his students with his own passion for history, but he also motivates some to follow in his footsteps and pursue their academic studies further.

In his 13 years of teaching, Professor McDonald has developed an approach to teaching guided by several fundamental principles. One of these is embodied by the quotation attributed to W. B. Yeats:

"Education is not filling a bucket, but

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Students Quentin Blasingame (Political Science), Ashleigh Miatello (Community Health Sciences) Iva Mathews (Psychology), Anna Lisa Domanski (Social Justice and Equity Studies) and Justin Carré (Psychology) were among the winners of various graduate awards presented at a recent reception hosted by the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

On May 14, the Faculty of Graduate Studies celebrated the many graduate fellowships, scholarships, awards and prizes earned by Brock's graduate students over the past year, while acknowledging the generosity of donors who have helped to establish more than 30 graduate awards.

Among the awards were the Dean of Graduate Studies In-Course Scholarships granted to graduate students in the Faculties of Business and Education, 56 Ontario Graduate Fellowships, 19 Social Science and Humanities Research Council awards, 13 Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council awards, and one Canadian Institute for Health Research award.

Dawn Hall, a student in Biological

Sciences, was recognized as a recipient of an NSERC post graduate doctoral fellowship for her work on the functional characteristics of various genes found in grapevines. She hopes her research will contribute to improving the quality of wine produced in the Niagara region.

President Jack Lightstone, who spoke to an audience of nearly 100 people gathered in Pond Inlet, emphasized the way modern society benefits from the creative and innovative contributions of those undertaking research in our universities. Marilyn Rose, Dean of Graduate Studies, suggested that Brock's high success rate in external competitions was a reflection of the increasing vitality of the University's research culture.

## National scholarship foundation facing sunset in 2009

A national foundation that has offered financial support to 6,505 Brock University students since 1999 will wind down in 2009 — that is, unless the federal government steps in to address the situation.

The Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation has awarded Brock students \$19,383,156 in scholarships and bursaries since an act of Parliament established the incorporated arm's-length foundation in 1998 in response to mounting student debt. The federal government contributed \$2.5 billion in seed funding to the organization.

"The foundation has been an important source of financial support for Brock students and for students all over this country," said Brock President Jack Lightstone. "It will be a serious detriment to students to have this support lapse."

Agazi Afewerki, who has completed his second year in Business Communications, received a foundation bursary of about \$1,200.

"Tuition, residence and food costs total about \$12,000 for the entire year, so the foundation scholarship is very helpful and it is awarded without any additional applications," Afewerki said. "It's always nice to know that I'll have additional cash coming my way to help pay off such an immense cost. This scholarship has

definitely helped me a lot by easing my worries about getting in debt."

According to the foundation's website, its objectives "are to improve access to post-secondary education for all Canadians, especially those facing economic or social barriers; to encourage a high level of student achievement and engagement in Canadian society; and to build a national alliance of organizations and individuals around a shared post-secondary agenda."

Norman Riddell, executive director and CEO of the foundation, said the last awards will be made in the 2008-09 academic year. Once that happens, about 30 per cent of non-repayable financial assistance currently available to students will disappear.

"This is a matter of considerable concern for the students and for the provinces with whom the foundation partners," said Riddell from the organization's headquarters in Montreal.

The current federal government is expected to make major funding announcements about its role in providing student financial assistance in its 2008 budget next spring, he said, and two recent government-commissioned reports have been favourable to the foundation.

Between 1999 and 2006, Brock students

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## Brock to host summer transition program for students with learning disabilities

Brock's Student Development Centre will host the second annual STRATEGIES conference at the University this summer. The conference-style transition program will be offered twice during the summer, from July 10 to 12 and July 24 to 26. The conference is a three-day program designed to help incoming Brock students with learning disabilities make a smooth transition to university life.

"The conference is an opportunity for students with learning disabilities to address any questions and concerns they have regarding their fast-approaching university career," says Amy Graham, STRATEGIES Co-ordinator. "Attending this program will help students know what to expect, feel more prepared, minimize fear and anxiety and gain enthusiasm for becoming university students."

The conference will include a series of hands-on interactive informative seminars and discussions. Some of the many topics to be discussed include understanding your learning disability, time management, study skills, using assistive technology, self advocacy and budgeting tips. The program will equip students with the know-how required to accomplish both academic and personal success at university.

The conference, which takes place at various locations across the University, includes all snacks and meals, an opening dinner featuring a motivational guest speaker, and overnight accommodations with residence-orientation activities.

The program is designed specifically for students with a diagnosed learning disability who have been accepted and will be entering their first year of study at Brock in Fall 2007. The event is free for all qualified applicants.

Advance registration is required for this conference as a limited number of spaces are available. For more information on registration for STRATEGIES, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/sdc/disABILITYES/strategies](http://www.brocku.ca/sdc/disABILITYES/strategies)

The application deadline is Friday, June 15.

## Faculty and students promoting healthy education in British Virgin Islands

Ten students from Brock are working at schools in the British Virgin Islands (BVI), thanks to the Scotiabank Champions for Health Promoting Schools project, now in its fourth year. The students are currently volunteering in more than 10 schools across Tortola, Virgin Gorda, and Jost Van Dyke. This project is an opportunity for educators from Canada and the BVI to celebrate and promote the importance of healthy development for children and youth. Working side-by-side with teachers from the BVI, the student-teachers from Canada help to deliver physical education programs that focus upon the development of important life skills such as co-operation, problem solving, critical thinking, and personal and social responsibility.

In addition to their daily teaching activities, the students are also involved in a number of community-based events throughout their five-week visit. For example, students who have a background in lifeguarding are volunteering with the Department of Youth Affairs and Sports "learn to swim" program in Carrot Bay, Cane Garden Bay, and Nanny Cay. Students are also busy planning the third annual Unity Games scheduled to take place today. The theme for this year's event is "Care for Self - Care for Others," and the focus will be on teaching children how to make healthy choices. Students from schools across the BVI will be taking part in a variety of games and activities that teach them about important health concepts such as nutrition, self-esteem, co-operation, respect, and safe practices. These health concepts are directly in line with helping to achieve the United Nation's Millennium Development Goals by 2015.

"This project promotes a cultural exchange of ideas related to best practices in education. It is an opportunity to expose teachers in the BVI with the current research and effective teaching practices related to education," says Angel Smith, Chief Education Officer. "It is also an opportunity for teachers in the BVI to share their expertise with student-teachers from Canada and to develop a mutual partnership between our two countries."

Educators in the BVI will also have the opportunity to take part in a series of workshops delivered by Brock Professor James Mandigo, Community Health Sciences, who is the co-director for the Centre for Healthy Development at Brock University. These workshops will provide teachers throughout the BVI with an opportunity to learn and experience new and innovative teaching techniques that have been supported by current research and endorsed by organizations such as UNICEF and UNESCO.

## Wellness Conference registration opens May 29

Do something "For You" on May 29 and sign up for the 2007 Brock University Annual Employee Wellness Conference. This year's conference, taking place on June 20, is sure to be bigger and better than ever! All Brock faculty and staff are invited to log on and sign up for a variety of fun, informative workshops. Online registration will be activated on the Wellness Conference website on May 29 at 1 p.m. sharp. Until then, check out [www.brocku.ca/wellnessconference](http://www.brocku.ca/wellnessconference) for details on workshop speakers, lunchtime entertainment and all the need-to-know info.

For staff without computer access, please deliver your manual registration form found in the Wellness Conference Registration Guide to Human Resources/Environment, Health and Safety (ST 1240) on or before May 29 at noon. For more information, please e-mail: [oehs@brocku.ca](mailto:oehs@brocku.ca).

## Students get a SMART Start to their futures at Brock

While many students are just gearing up for summer, some will be preparing themselves for the next step of their academic career at Brock University. This summer, from Monday, June 25, to Friday, Aug. 10, Brock's academic orientation program, Students Making A Realistic Transition (SMART Start), will welcome new students and their families to the Brock community.

The program is designed to ease the transition from high school to university by providing incoming Brock students and their families with an in-depth look at university life through interactions with staff, faculty, and students.

Students set to start their first year at Brock are able to attend the full-day session that will offer them a chance to register for classes, obtain their student ID cards, tour the campus, learn about various student services, interact with upper-year students and

faculty members, and enjoy a meal in the DeCew Residence Dining Hall. There will be a special program for parents and guests of students.

"The SMART Start program has proven to be very effective in assisting our new incoming students," says Cindy Nogradi, SMART Start Co-ordinator. "The program also benefits the parents and families of students who may have their own questions about the university experience."

SMART Start sessions will be held every day, Monday to Friday, until the program ends on Aug. 10. Registration begins daily at 8:15 a.m., in the Walker Complex, and sessions finish at 4:30 p.m. For more information about the day's agenda, registration and directions, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/smartstart](http://www.brocku.ca/smartstart)

Students interested in registering for the SMART Start program can do so themselves online at [www.brocku.ca/smartstart](http://www.brocku.ca/smartstart)



**New BUSU executive takes office**  
The new Brock University Students' Union executive is ready to get to work. Pictured from left: Adam Smith, Vice-President Finance and Administration; James O'Brien, President; Laura Grouchy, Vice-President Student Services; and Damien O'Brien, Vice-President University Affairs.

As the current academic year comes to an end, a new executive is now residing at the Brock University Students' Union (BUSU), having officially taken office on May 1.

New BUSU President James O'Brien is looking forward to moving ahead to the opportunities and challenges that the coming year will bring. The fifth-year political sciences student explains that the Oct. 10 provincial election "is very high on our radar."

"We want to make sure that the student population is well prepared and ready to make an informed decision that is in their best interests," says O'Brien. "Our goal is to ensure that education remains accessible, affordable and of high quality."

Another key event that has BUSU's focus is Orientation Week.

"Students often get their first real taste of university during that week," says O'Brien. "There is plenty of planning and

co-ordination that goes into the events to ensure we meet our goals."

O'Brien replaces outgoing president Kithio Mwanzi. He is joined on the executive by Laura Grouchy, Vice-President Student Services; Damien O'Brien, Vice-President University Affairs; and Adam Smith, who reprises his role as Vice-President, Finance and Administration.

Already planning for the coming year, O'Brien has clear goals for BUSU. His tenure will oversee the BUSU corporation which is worth more than \$7 million.

"I think it is very important for BUSU to continue to play a role in the University community, and the community at large," says O'Brien. "That community focus will help strengthen our overall presence and enable us to be more successful in our initiatives."

For more information on BUSU, visit [www.busu.net](http://www.busu.net)

## Clubs provide opportunity to develop math problem-solving skills

Brock invites the public to have fun while further developing mathematical and problem-solving skills with two clubs:

**Brock Brain Benders:** Tuesdays, 7 to 9 p.m.

The Brock Brain Benders is a mathematics club for Niagara region high school students led by professors from the Department of Mathematics at Brock. The club aims to provide an enjoyable and supportive environment in which students can advance their mathematical problem-solving skills. The focus of the club is to help students prepare for mathematical contests such as those offered by the University of Waterloo. For more information:

[www.brocku.ca/mathematics/brainbenders](http://www.brocku.ca/mathematics/brainbenders)

**Brock Go Club:** Wednesdays, 5 to 8 p.m.; children (age five and up) 5:30 to 7 p.m.

The Brock Go Club has many different

levels of players, from beginners with a few weeks experience, to those who have been playing for more than 20 years. The game was developed in China about 4,000 to 4,500 years ago and is based on strategy and tactics. The rules are simple and can be learned in 15 minutes. Beginners are welcome to attend. For more information: [www.brocku.ca/GoClub](http://www.brocku.ca/GoClub)

Both clubs run weekly on the days specified (check websites for weekly details) and there is no cost or registration required to attend.

Both clubs take place in MC J434 (Math Help Center). Thanks to the Niagara Peninsula Children's Centre, free parking is available in its parking lot on the east side of Glenridge Avenue.

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lighting a fire." Another is unattributed: "Education is only a ladder to gather fruit from a tree of knowledge, not the fruit itself."

**Professor Doug Bruce, Department of Biology, Faculty of Mathematics and Science:**

Professor Doug Bruce is very enthusiastic and excited about the many topics in biology. He carries this love of learning into the classroom. Professor Bruce creates a safe environment for learning by posing questions to students in a gentle and fun manner while still stressing rigour and critical analysis.

He is a gifted teacher and an innovator. He is an expert in his field of research, and he brings his expertise to students, both in lectures and in his laboratory.

**Professor Carman Cullen, Department of Marketing, international Business and Strategy, Faculty of Business:**

Professor Cullen enjoys teaching as much as he enjoys his research, and it is this dedication to his students that has earned him a reputation as an exemplary instructor. He believes he has a responsibility to not only provide relevant lessons in his marketing classes, but also to provide opportunities to improve and develop the academic skills of his students through participation and collaboration.

In his 22 years at Brock, he has consistently scored very highly on teaching evaluations, and he has been actively involved in curriculum development and renewal.

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received funds from two of the foundation's three main programs:

- The Millennium Bursary Program that is intended for students in greatest financial need. Brock students were awarded 6,378 bursaries worth a total of \$18,876,956.
- The Millennium Excellence Awards are presented to students earned on the basis of academic merit, community involvement, leadership and innovation. Brock students received 119 excellence awards for a total of \$482,200 since 1999.

The third program is the World Petroleum Council Millennium Scholarships, which offers petroleum industry-sponsored scholarships for students in related programs.

## Griffiths recognized by YWCA of Niagara

Professor Dorothy Griffiths from the Department of Child and Youth Studies was recently recognized with one of the prestigious Women of Distinction awards by the YWCA Niagara. Winners were selected from among nominees in various categories. Griffiths was recognized in the category of Public and Community Service. With nearly 30 years of experience, Griffiths is an acknowledged international expert on therapeutic services for people who have a dual diagnosis of both intellectual disabilities and mental health concerns. In December 2006, she was awarded the Order of Ontario for her sustained level of excellence and achievement in ensuring that Ontarians with disabilities are able to live with human rights and dignity.



## Conference explores "Immersive Worlds"

On June 4 and 5, Brock's Interactive Arts and Science Program will host the inaugural "Interacting with Immersive Worlds Conference." Focusing on the growing cultural significance of digital interactive media, the conference will feature more than 50 academic papers on theory, practice, education and entertainment.

The conference will also feature world-class keynote speakers, including "Flow" theorist Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi (Director of the Quality of Life Research Center at the Drucker School, Claremont Graduate University), James Paul Gee (Tashia Morgridge Professor of

Reading, University of Wisconsin at Madison), Chris Csikszentmihalyi (Director of the Computing Culture group at the MIT Media Lab), and Denis Dyack, president of Silicon Knights in St. Catharines.

"We are delighted to host such world-renowned scholars and practitioners of digital media," says Kevin Kee, chair of the Immersive Worlds organizing committee. "The conference marks an outstanding start to the Interactive Arts and Science major program at Brock."

For more information, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/iasc/immersiveworlds](http://www.brocku.ca/iasc/immersiveworlds)



As part of the 2007 Sodexo Servathon, Brock University Dining Services teamed up with Community Care of St. Catharines and Thorold to help the fight against hunger. A food drive was organized in order to meet the needs of Community Care. Brock students and Sodexo staff were encouraged to support our cause. To create awareness, the staff wore Caring Cans T-shirts which proved successful as 578 lbs. of food donations were collected. Pictured, are Neil Nijma, Sodexo unit manager and Nancy McIntosh, Fund Development Officer of Community Care of St. Catharines and Thorold.

## BACCHUS AT BROCK

Time is running out to register for Bacchus at Brock, the three-day interdisciplinary wine conference that runs from June 7 to 9. Everyone from the food and wine enthusiast to the grape and wine research scientist will find many sessions of interest. The science, business and culture of wine will be main themes throughout the conference, which began at Brock in 2002. The interdisciplinary nature of the conference has been enhanced with the recent announcement of Brock's Faculty of Business as a gold sponsor of the conference in addition to being an ongoing organizing partner within the overall Bacchus group.

Concurrent sessions include multiple topics on science, business, culture, and wine tasting. From titles like "Consumer Behaviour" to "Food and Wine on Voltaire's Table" to "Understanding Riesling Terroir in Ontario," the conference truly has a wide appeal. Sessions with champagne, Riesling, and wine and

cheese-pairing tasting will also appeal to the senses. With more than 25 concurrent sessions going on over the three days, the choices are abundant.

Bacchus is also pleased to announce a new student poster and student oral presentation competition for 2007. This competition will give students the chance to display their work and compete for first place in each of the three tracks – science, business and culture. Student oral presentations are also to be considered within each track. All approved posters will be displayed during the entire conference and will be judged on the first day. Awards, sponsored by the Ontario Centres of Excellence in the amount of \$300, will be given in each of the three tracks. Winners will be announced and awards presented at the "Party the Night Away" event at the conclusion of the conference.

Please visit [www.brocku.ca/bacchus](http://www.brocku.ca/bacchus) for full details and to register.



## Mediatalk

People in the news

**Christine Tardif-Williams**, Assistant Professor of Child and Youth Studies, was interviewed by *Niagara This Week* for an article about the 2007 Niagara Parenting conference, and children and self-esteem. In the April 27 article, "Parents should challenge their children: expert," Tardif-Williams notes that parents can protect their children from many troubling things including peer pressure by fostering positive self-esteem early on in their young one's life.

**James Allard**, Assistant Professor of English Language and Literature, was featured in an April 28 *St. Catharines Standard* Spectrum feature article, entitled "I knew I couldn't leave." In the article, Allard discusses his academic career, literature, medicine and his move to Brock.

**Tony DiPetta**, Assistant Professor in the Pre-Service Department of the Faculty of Education, was recently interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for an April 28 article about the social networking website MySpace. In the article, "wide open SPACES," DiPetta discusses the educational and classroom potential of the website, noting that "in MySpace, you can create who you are. And as long as it's not an outrageous characterization, it's probably a good thing."

**Cathy Van Ingen**, Assistant Professor of Physical Education and Kinesiology was interviewed by the *Toronto Star* for an April 28 story about women's boxing. In the article, entitled "Sport is a knockout", Van Ingen, who is currently researching aggressive sport and women, notes that "Women get these messages over and over to be as small as you can, to fit into the smallest clothes, eat the smallest portions. This boxing thing is about living large, being strong."

**Ann Marie Guilmette**, Associate Professor in the Departments of Recreation and Leisure Studies and Women's Studies, recently participated in the following media appearances to promote her keynote address "Using Humour to Achieve Emotional Well-being" at a May 8 Mental Health Week presentation hosted by the Office of the Accessibility Co-ordinator at Brock and the Niagara branch of the Canadian Mental Health Association.

• Interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an April 30 Spectrum feature article, "Have a laugh. It's good for you." The article was also reprinted in the April 30 editions of the *Niagara Falls Review* and *Welland Tribune*, and the May 2 editions of the *Chatham Daily News* and *Timmins Daily Press*.

• May 2 interview on local radio station AM 1220 CHSC.  
• Interviewed by the *Fart Erie Times* for a May 5 article, "Laughing all the way to emotional well-being."  
• May 7 interview on local radio station AM 610 CKTB program, "Niagara at Noon."

• May 7 interview on Hamilton radio station AM 900 CHML.

**Tom Saint-Ivany**, Executive Director, Facilities Management, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a May 2 article about the University's recently announced wide-ranging energy and water conservation initiatives. In the article, entitled "Brock learns lessons on saving energy," Ivany discussed the numerous initiatives being implemented at Brock, including the Board of Trustees' recent approval of a guide to use green-building technology on campus.

Ivany was also interviewed by *The Standard* for a May 10 article, "Not just another hedgerow" about the line of Osage orange trees located at the south end of Brock's campus, which were planted by early Niagara pioneers as living fences to control cows. In the article, Ivany notes that "we recognize the interest in, and sensitivity to (the trees). We're committed to maintaining and sustaining examples of our natural heritage such as the Osage orange." For more information about the trees, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/facilitiesmgmt/SER\\_GROUNDS.htm](http://www.brocku.ca/facilitiesmgmt/SER_GROUNDS.htm)

**Zopito Marini**, Professor of Child and Youth Studies, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a May 3 article about a presentation on bullying he made to parents at St. Denis School on May 2, entitled "Parents can empower kids to end bullying." In the article, Marini comments on the recent rise in incidents of cyber-bullying, noting that "this is the new menace. We are seeing all the stuff people used to do on the playground now happening while they are hiding behind a screen."

**Matthew Hennigar**, Assistant Professor of Political Science, and colleagues from the University of Guelph and Boise State University were recently featured in a CanWest News service (canada.com) story about a recently published study examining 15 years of federal judicial appointments. The article, entitled "It pays to grease the right palms, appointment study shows," was published in the May 4 editions of the *Edmonton Sun* and *Ottawa Citizen*. Another article about the group's research – "In support of patronage for the good of the nation" – was also published in the May 7 *Guelph Mercury* and *Kitchener-Waterloo Record*.

**Don Dworet**, Director and Associate Professor of the Faculty of Education's Centre for Continuing Teacher Education, was interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a May 5 feature article about Brock education graduate Vince Anania – the only male junior kindergarten teacher working in Niagara Catholic District School Board. In the article, which was also reprinted in the *Welland Tribune* ("A rare gem"), Dwoert notes that male primary teachers are positive role models for young children, particularly for boys.

## Senate News

The 549th meeting of the Brock University Senate was held on May 16, 2007. During the meeting, Senate:

- received a report from the Vice-President, Academic and Provost that included information regarding the Aboriginal Education Council's Terms of Reference and Aboriginal Education programs;
- passed a motion directing the Governance Committee to strike a sub-committee, consisting of a Senator from each Faculty, to provide consultation to the Provost and Vice-President, Academic on the appointment of a Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President, Academic;
- approved the Spring Convocation 2007 degrees; received a report from the Undergraduate Student Affairs Committee and
  - approved an amendment to FHB III:15 *Academic Misconduct* to include section 15.3 *Penalties*;
- received a report from the Undergraduate Program Committee that contained information regarding changes to the course bank;
- received a report from the Graduate Studies Committee, and
  - approved the proposed amendments to FHB III: 14 *Graduate Studies*;
- received a report from the Teaching and Learning Policy Committee that included information regarding the University's "students-at-risk protocol" that is embedded within the Code of Student Conduct and Disciplinary Procedures in Non-Academic Matters policy available at: [www.brocku.ca/secretariat/admin/](http://www.brocku.ca/secretariat/admin/)
- and, for information, received recommendations for best practice in the evaluation of teaching;
- received a report from the Governance Committee, and
  - approved proposed changes to FHB II: 8.2 *Amendments to the Faculty Handbook*, as amended;
  - approved the renaming of the Senate Committee on University Infrastructure to the Information Technology and Infrastructure Committee;
  - discussed a proposed recommendation to authorize the creation of the Centre of Excellence for Applied Disability Studies; consideration of the motion would continue at the May 30 meeting of Senate.

Full details of Senate meetings are available at: [www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate](http://www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate)  
Also received was a report from the President and Vice-Chancellor that included information on recent meetings held to discuss Brock's space issues with Chris Bentley, Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities, and Sandra Pupatello, Minister of Economic Development and Trade. President Lightstone also indicated that he recently received an invitation to meet with Finance Minister Greg Sorbara.

The President also spoke on issues of funding for the University, in addition to the challenges faced by the 2007/08 budget process. The full report is available by visiting: [www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate](http://www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate) and clicking on "#549 - May 16, 2007" under the agendas heading.

## Faculty and Staff

### APPLIED LINGUISTICS

Lynn Dempsey and Wenonah Campbell (UWO) presented a paper entitled, "SLI, the ICF, and you: How new conceptualizations of disability may change the way you work with children with language impairment" at the annual conference of the Canadian Association of Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists (CASLPA) on April 26 in Moncton, N.B.

### EDUCATION

Rodger Beatty, Associate Dean, Education, was adjudicator for school choral music, school vocal music and community choral music classes in the Grey County Kiwanis Festival of Music from April 10 to 13 held in Owen Sound, Ont. As well, Dr. Beatty adjudicated school choral music and recorder classes in the Niagara Catholic District School Board's "Niagara Catholic Celebrates Music — Festival 2007" held May 1 and 2 at Sean O'Sullivan Theatre.

Doug Karrow and Xavier Fazio presented a workshop entitled "Teaching and Learning About Climate Change" at the Ontario Society for Environmental Education's annual conference, April 28, Kawartha, Ont.

Xavier Fazio and Doug Karrow, in collaboration with Heather Andrachuk of Environment Canada, hosted an in-service demonstration of the NatureWatch suite of ecological monitoring and assessment network (EMAN) protocols for several teachers of the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board, May 2, at the Hamilton Campus. The in-service is part of an ongoing pilot project evaluating the effectiveness of EMAN programs within an elementary school.

### CHEMISTRY

Ian Brindle delivered two talks on March 21 and 22 at Jawaharlal University in Delhi, India, entitled "Trace element analysis: the challenge of sample introduction" and "Opportunities in biotechnology at Brock University."

On April 9, Brindle delivered a talk at the U.S. National Institute for Standards and Technology in Gaithersburg, Md. entitled "Recent results in hydride generation: Arsenic speciation in less than five minutes?"

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION & KINESIOLOGY

Barbara Kennedy choreographed a dance composition to a medley of songs for the second annual Brock Active Living Conference held on April 2. The dances were performed by senior women involved in the NIA 'dance fusion' classes held at Brock. Several of her students from PEKN 2P06 and tiny tots from the Rosalind Blauer Day Care Centre as part of PEKN 2P93 were also part of the entire "Dance Spectacular" that highlighted dance throughout the lifespan.

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

Patrick Robson was invited to speak and provide mentorship at the Peer Exchange conference of the PLUS (Partners for Long-term Urban Sustainability) Network in Vancouver and Kelowna, April 17 to 20. The focus of the speaking engagement was understanding the process and related challenges of planning for long-term community sustainability. Mentoring was provided to three African communities embarking on the process of sustainability planning -

Dakar (Senegal), Dar es Salaam (Tanzania) and Durban (South Africa). The Peer Exchange included (in addition to the African cities) representatives from Curitiba (Brazil) and Calgary, Edmonton, Regina, Whistler and Niagara.

Kenneth Kernaghan recently made the following presentations:

- "Online Political Campaigning" at the Institute of Public Administration Conference, held in Toronto, Ont. on Feb. 21.
- "Politics and New Technology" at the Public Policy Forum Conference, held in Ottawa, Ont. on Feb. 23.
- "Integrated Service Delivery and Identity Management" at the Intergovernmental Task Force on Identity Management and Authentication, held April 30.

### PSYCHOLOGY

John Mitterer delivered the conferenced opening keynote address to TEL@York 2007: Partnerships to Enhance Student Engagement at York University, May 1 to 2. The title of his presentation was "Teaching, Communication, and the Effective Use of Technology to Enhance Student Engagement." Mitterer also participated in a conference panel entitled Student-Powered Learning: Social Networking and Collaboration in the Digital Age.

The following papers were presented at the recent Cognitive Neuroscience Society meeting in New York, from the Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience Laboratory at Brock University:

- Xin Zheng and Sid Segalowitz: "Early components of word reading: A high-density ERP study of lexical access."
- William Tays, Sid Segalowitz, Karen Mathewson, and Jane Dywan: "Topographical Variability of ERP Response in Older Adults is Inversely Related to Interference in a Working Memory Task."
- Sid Segalowitz, William Marshall, Karen Mathewson, William Tays, and Jane Dywan: "Cross-Cortical Communication in Healthy Human Aging: A Mutual Information Analysis of EEG."

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## New sculpture greets visitors to Inniskillin Hall

Michael Owen, Associate Vice-President Research and International Development, right, accepts the donation of a sculpture entitled "Steel Wine-ing" from artist Mykl, left. The local artist donated the sculpture to the Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute to honour the history and the future of the grape and wine industry in Niagara. The sculpture is housed in the lobby of Inniskillin Hall in the Mackenzie Chown Complex.



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A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## Honduran delegation visits as part of research initiative

Five delegates from Honduras were at Brock recently to take part in the first training activity for a \$1.5 million project headed by Professor Ana Sanchez, Community Health Sciences. Earlier this year, the Global Health Research Initiative (GHRI) awarded a grant valued at \$1.5 million to Sanchez and her co-investigator Lourdes de Madrid, Professor and Chair of the Department of Microbiology, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Honduras (UNAH) to combat infectious diseases in Honduras. This is one of 13 Teasdale-Corti Team Grants that was selected following a stringent peer-review process among more than 250 proposals submitted in 2006 to the GHRI from across the globe. As one of the first project training activities of this project, the five delegates from UNAH and the National University of Agriculture in Honduras, including Dr. Lourdes, were invited to visit Brock for two weeks from May 14 to 25.

While at Brock, the delegates joined a formal reception to recognize the Teasdale-Corti Team Grant. They also participated in a series of workshops as part of a two-week research management training program delivered by Brock faculty and staff.

The title of Sanchez's four-year program of research and capacity strengthening is "Increasing Capacity to Achieve Millennium Development Goal #6 in Honduras: Combating Infectious Diseases." The Millennium Development Goals are eight objectives that 191 United Nations member states have agreed to try to achieve by the year 2015. The main objective of the program will be the creation of a local master's program, open to a wide array of professionals that will function in collaboration with current public health and epidemiology programs. The program will address infectious disease not only from a biomedical perspective, but also considering broader determinants of health, health behaviour change and community participation.



Brock's Care for Our Community Weekend was a great success! Many thanks go to everyone who showed their Brock spirit on Saturday, May 26 and Sunday, May 27 in support of three great charities - the Rankin Cancer Run, the Lung Association and the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Community Connections collaborated with ESL Services and Campus Security to field team members for the various community events, raising more than \$3,500.

## Faculty awarded more than \$2 million in NSERC grants

Researchers at Brock were recently awarded more than \$2 million in grants for 24 projects ranging in topic from aging, memory and attentional control to the algebraic structures of group rings.

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) awarded grants to Brock faculty members totalling \$2,126,699 over five years, all of which are for new or renewed projects. Of that amount, \$308,264 was awarded for six equipment grants. Brock students also received 34 NSERC scholarships totalling \$587,300 in the latest round of funding.

"These funds help to provide the resources that enhance the University's research capacity," said Michael Owen, Associate Vice-President, Research and International Development at Brock. "Our faculty are continuing to create a robust and dynamic teaching and learning environment for our graduate and undergraduate students."

The latest grants will fund research projects in the fields of biological sciences, chemistry, community health sciences, computer science, mathematics, physics, psychology, and marketing, international business and strategy.

Examples of the recently funded NSERC projects at Brock include:

- Professor Michael Bidochka, Department of Biological Sciences, has been awarded a research grant to study natural pathogens of insects that can be used for biocontrol. He is particularly interested in the virulence factors by which certain biocontrol fungi kill insects, and is seeking out the best way to genetically manipulate these factors for widespread use. This research will contribute to the development of an environmentally friendly alternative to chemical

pesticides.

- Professor Martin Head, Department of Earth Sciences, received a research equipment grant to purchase a vitrinite reflectance and fluorescence microscope workstation in association with co-applicant Professor Andrew Miall from the University of Toronto. The equipment is used to evaluate source rocks and will be used to conduct research and analysis on the oil sands of Alberta and the Western Desert of Egypt. This is the only equipment of its kind in central Canada.

Parliamentary Secretary Colin Carrie, MP, on behalf of Minister of Industry Maxime Bernier, and Suzanne Fortier, president of NSERC, recently announced the results of the national 2007 Grants and Scholarships awards, which will see \$583 million disbursed to 10,000 professors and students across Canada.

NSERC is a federal agency whose role is to make investments in people, discovery and innovation for the benefit of all Canadians. The agency invests in people by supporting some 23,000 university students and postdoctoral fellows in their advanced studies. NSERC promotes discovery by funding more than 11,000 university professors every year and supports innovation by encouraging about 1,300 Canadian companies to invest in university research and training. Over the past 10 years, NSERC has invested \$6 billion in basic research, university-industry projects, and the training of Canada's next generation of scientists and engineers.

For more information, visit [www.brocku.ca](http://www.brocku.ca) and click on "More News."

## President's Tournament a success for student athletes

On Thursday, May 24, the fourth annual President's Tournament in support of Brock athletics raised \$75,000 for bursaries and scholarships for the University's outstanding student athletes.

One hundred and forty-four golfers, including many Brock graduates, contributed to the financial success of the tournament at Legends-on-the-Niagara in Niagara Falls by purchasing foursomes and sponsorship packages.

Canadian Tire Financial Services was this year's presenting sponsor and the major sponsors were Algoma Central, Beatties Basics, Durward Jones Barkwell, Ernst & Young, Janet Wright & Associates, Lincoln Fabrics, Brock Plaza Corporation, Rankin Construction, Partridge Wealth Management-RBC Dominion Securities, Scotiabank, Sodexo, Tim Hortons-St. David's Road, and Whiting Inc. Other sponsors include Urban Strategies, The Pen Centre, and Hub International.

Many Brock athletes must use their own money to help cover their teams' costs of training camps, equipment and other expenses. More than 50 Brock athletes will directly benefit from this year's tournament.

## Affinity programs a bonus to faculty and staff

The Office of Alumni Relations is pleased to offer faculty and staff the same group affinity advantage our graduates enjoy with Brock's affinity partners TD Meloche Monnex, MBNA Canada, Canadian Tire Auto Club and Primus.

All faculty and staff members are entitled to exceptional service and preferred group rates for home and auto insurance, low annual interest rates on Brock's official credit card, roadside assistance and valuable in-store coupons for your vehicle's maintenance, exceptional savings on long-distance phone service, and many other benefits that are part of these outstanding programs.

Participation in the group affinity programs helps support student and alumni programs, communications, networks, awards and other initiatives.

For information on any of Brock's affinity programs, please contact Lynne Irion, ext. 3251; or e-mail: [lynirion@brocku.ca](mailto:lynirion@brocku.ca)

## 2007 Spring Convocation at Brock

An estimated 4,000 students are expected to receive their degrees at Brock University's 2007 Spring Convocation, which takes place during nine ceremonies from Tuesday, June 12, to Saturday, June 16.

All ceremonies will be held in the Walker Complex at the west end of campus, in the 23,000-square-foot Ian D. Beddis gymnasium. An outdoor reception for graduates, family members and other special guests will be held after each ceremony.

Spring Convocation timetable

**Tuesday, June 12, 10 a.m. — Faculty of Applied Health Sciences**

- **Dr. Robin C. Williams**, Medical Officer of Health and Commissioner of Public Health, Regional Municipality of Niagara, will address Convocation.

**Tuesday, June 12, 2 p.m. — Faculty of Applied Health Sciences**

- **Professor Lorne Adams**, Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences and Director of Athletics, will address Convocation.

- **Professor Gail Frost**, Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, will be presented with the 2007 Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching.

**Wednesday, June 13, 10 a.m. — Faculty of Social Sciences**

- **Professor Dorothy Griffiths**, Department of Child and Youth Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, will be presented with the 2007 Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching, and she will address Convocation.

**Wednesday, June 13, 2 p.m. — Faculty of Social Sciences**

- An honorary degree will be presented to **Barbara Vrostko**, executive director, Community Living Welland Pelham. Brock is recognizing Vrostko for her visionary leadership in service innovation and human rights education for people with intellectual disabilities.

**Thursday, June 14, 10 a.m. — Faculty of Education**

- **Professor Joe Engemann**, Graduate and Undergraduate Studies Department, Faculty of Education, will be presented with the

2007 Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching, and he will address Convocation.

**Thursday, June 14, 2 p.m. — Faculty of Education**

- **Professor Ruth McQuirter Scott**, Pre-service Department, Faculty of Education, will address Convocation.

**Friday, June 15, 10 a.m. — Faculty of Humanities and Concordia Lutheran Seminary**

- An honorary degree will be presented to **Bluma Appel**, patron of the arts. Brock is recognizing Appel for her dedication and distinguished contribution to the arts in Canada through the development of the cultural sector as a volunteer, board member, fundraiser and philanthropist.

- **Professor Andrew McDonald**, Department of History, Faculty of Humanities, will be presented with the 2007 Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching.

**Friday, June 15, 2 p.m. — Faculty of Mathematics and Science**

- An honorary degree will be presented to **Brian Tobin**, senior business advisor, Fraser Milner Casgrain and former premier of Newfoundland and Labrador. Brock is recognizing Tobin for an outstanding career of public service and meritorious contributions towards improving Canada's innovation performance and competitiveness in the knowledge economy.

- **Professor Doug Bruce**, Department of Biological Sciences, Faculty of Mathematics and Science, will be presented with the 2007 Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching.

**Saturday, June 16, 2 p.m. — Faculty of Business**

- An honorary degree will be presented to **Anthony R. Graham**, president and director, Wittington Investments Limited. Brock is recognizing Graham for his outstanding achievements in business and community leadership in the arts in the Niagara region and Ontario.

- **Professor Carman Cullen**, Department of Marketing, international Business and Strategy, Faculty of Business, will be presented with the 2007 Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching.

## Brock professor receives prestigious teaching award



Professor Zopito Marini

Brock Professor Zopito Marini, Child and Youth Studies, is one of six recipients of the Ontario-wide 2006 Teaching Award from the Ontario Confederation of University Faculty Associations (OCUFA).

The professor, who is highly regarded for his research into and understanding of bullying, will receive the award for outstanding achievement in teaching at a ceremony in Toronto on Friday, June 8.

Marini is praised by students and colleagues as a dedicated and enthusiastic professor who cares deeply about his students and courses.

"I am delighted to receive this award from OCUFA," said Marini. "I want to express my deepest thanks to my students and to so many colleagues here at Brock and in the community for their passionate support. This award is not only a celebration but also a reminder as to why teaching our next generation is so important."

OCUFA President Michael Doucet said the OCUFA Awards Committee noted Marini's ongoing efforts to develop the use of

technology in university teaching, which have resulted in a book chapter, manuals, videos, journal articles and presentations at pedagogical conferences and workshops. Marini, the recipient of the 2006 Brock University Award for Distinguished Teaching, has been a major player in encouraging professional development at Brock and he has contributed to the scholarship of teaching by presenting at conferences and by publishing on issues related to the humanization of technology in instructional settings.

He consistently receives one of the top rankings for teaching evaluations in his department and he was also listed as one of Brock's favourite professors in The Student's Guide to Canadian Universities. Marini compares good teachers to Sherpa guides: "We help point the way for students, support them and provide them with the organizational learning tools so that they are able to critically and reflectively consider information and put it into context."

OCUFA has been celebrating outstanding achievement in teaching and academic librarianship at Ontario universities since 1973. The awards committee selects up to six teaching award recipients and one academic librarianship award recipient each year.

## Get involved with Community Connections this summer

Community Connections invites all members of the Brock community to join in several exciting summer events. Three great events will be happening throughout the duration of the summer - take a look, and see what interests you:

Sunday, June 10 - Rick Hansen Wheels In Motion - This event takes place on the Brock University campus. Proceeds support the Rick Hansen Foundation and the Niagara Peninsula Children's Centre.

Friday, June 22 and Saturday, June 23 - Relay For Life - Brock University will be hosting this annual event for the Canadian Cancer Society. Join the Community Connections Team or enter your own team! If you are not able to join a team, you can still participate by purchasing a luminary. Luminaries are candles that are placed in

special bags that bear the names of cancer survivors and loved ones who have lost their battle with cancer. Luminaries can be purchased online, at the Welcome Desk in the Schmon Tower Lobby or on the day of Relay For Life.

Saturday, July 28 - St. Catharines Dragon Boat Festival - Join us for a day of fun at Henley Island as we paddle a dragon boat against other teams in support of Wellspring Niagara, a group that provides cancer support programs to people of the Niagara Region. We are looking for paddlers and a drummer!

For more information on any of these events, please contact Lauryn in Community Connections, ext. 4000, or at [community@brocku.ca](mailto:community@brocku.ca)

## Brock offers summer hockey camps

Summer hockey camps, for boys and girls, are once again being offered by Brock University.

For the past nine years, Brock Athletics has been providing St. Catharines, and Niagara, camps for the development of skills in youth hockey players. On the ice, experienced instructors help progress each student through the curriculum based upon the individual player's need and abilities. Brock ensures a 4:1 student:coach ratio.

The 2007 summer camps are held at the Seymour-Hannah Centre, in St. Catharines. There are six different camps being offered: AAA Conditioning Camps, August Skills Camp, Hockey Introduction Camp, the Elite Defenceman Skills Camp, Girls Intro Camp, and a Girls Conditioning Camp.

For full details on the camps, including dates and pricing, please visit [www.brocku.ca/hockeyschools](http://www.brocku.ca/hockeyschools), or call ext. 4060.

## Notice of application of larvicide for mosquito control

From Monday, June 4 to Sunday, Sept. 30, Brock University will conduct a larviciding program under the authority of the Medical Officer of Health to control larval mosquitoes in order to prevent their development into vectors of West Nile Virus. The larvicide Methoprene (ingot formulation, PCP No. 27694) under the federal Pest Control Products Act will be applied by direct hand application into catch basins at Brock University owned and leased properties within the Region of Niagara.

The biological larvicide(s) B.t.i. (granular formulation, PCP No. 18158, liquid formulation PCP No. 21602) may be placed by direct hand application into selected bodies of surface water such as ditches and ponds, depending on the results of testing for the presence of mosquito larvae. Signs will be posted at surface water locations where B.t.i. is applied. All larvicides will be applied by Ministry of the Environment licensed applicators. For details on the exact locations and dates of treatments, please call ext. 3717.

## CCOVI Creates New "Fellows" and "Professional Affiliates" Designations

The Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute (CCOVI) has recently developed two designations that will help to expand the opportunities for researchers at Brock University, leading researchers outside of Brock and influential individuals associated with the grape and wine industry.

CCOVI Fellow and CCOVI Professional Affiliate designations allow recipients to be formally associated with CCOVI and will add to the integrity of the institute's research and teaching programs. These individuals will also present seminars and workshops in addition to sitting on advisory committees at the institute. Fellows and professional affiliates are also expected to carry the CCOVI message forward to the community (both locally and internationally) and encourage research related to the Canadian grape and wine and associated industries.

The first inductees to these prestigious posts with a renewable three-year term are (by category and alphabetical order):

### CCOVI Fellows

#### Pat A. Bowen

Plant Physiologist, Viticulture, Pacific Agri-Food Research Centre, Summerland, B.C.

#### Ralph Brown - Professor

School of Engineering, College of Physical and Engineering Science, University of Guelph

#### Carman Cullen - Associate Professor of Marketing

Faculty of Business, Brock University

#### Anthony B. Shaw - Associate Professor

Department of Geography, Brock University

### CCOVI Professional Affiliates

#### Linda Bramble

Wine educator, wine writer and broadcaster, tour guide and former professor in wine appreciation at CCOVI and past grape and wine industry liaison, St. Catharines

#### Dr. Karl Kaiser

Co-founder and retired winemaker for Inniskillin Wines, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont.

#### Richard Smart

Smart Viticulture (the "vine doctor") Launceston, Tasmania

#### George Soleas

Vice-President, Quality Assurance LCBO, Toronto, Ont.



# World Class Entertainment... In Your Own Backyard!

## 2007/08 Centre for the Arts lineup announced

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On May 23, the Centre for the Arts (CFTA) held its most exclusive event of the year for Front and Centre members, sponsors and special guests – Sneak Preview 2007 – an invitation-only celebration to announce the Centre's upcoming 2007/2008 Professional Entertainment Season.

Front and Centre members were treated to a spectacular evening of mini-concerts featuring artists from the upcoming season – Comedian Jon Dore, guitarist-vocalist Matt Andersen with harmonica virtuoso Mike

Stevens, blues singer Ndidi Onukwulu with guitarist Madagascar Slim, local jazz pianist John Sherwood with special guest Carol McCartney and contemporary pianist Stephan Moccio.

The Centre for the Arts is also offering fun and educational performances for children and selected performances with special family and children's rates. The CFTA is also continuing the eyeGO to the Arts program for high school students, which offers \$5 tickets to all of the performances during the 2007/2008 season (available as of Sept. 4).

Tickets for the 2007/2008 Professional Entertainment Season are currently on sale to Front and Centre members only and go on sale to the general public on Tuesday, Sept. 4, at 11 a.m.

For more information regarding Front and Centre membership or any of the great shows in the 2007/2008 season, please contact the Box Office at ext. 3257, or visit [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca)

## Centre for the Arts, Brock University's 2007/2008 Professional Entertainment Season Listing

All performances start at 7:30 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre, unless otherwise stated.

### SEPTEMBER 2007

Classic Albums Live: Bruce Springsteen – Born to Run, Sept. 27.

### OCTOBER 2007

Colin James – Up Close, Personal and Slightly Unplugged, Oct. 4; High Steel – Directed and Co-Written by Mary Walsh with music by Ron Hynes, Oct. 10; James Devine's TAPEIRE – Driven by Rhythm, Oct. 17; Manteca Reunion!, Oct. 19; Dave and Ian Thomas – Brothers Forever!, Oct. 20; Tower of Power – We Want the Funk!, Oct. 24; The Barra MacNeils – 20th Anniversary Tour, Oct. 31.

### NOVEMBER 2007

Paul Taylor Dance Company – Taylor 2, Nov. 3 (David S. Howes Theatre); Blackie and the Rodeo Kings with Luke Doucet, Nov. 21; International Guitar Night, Nov. 28; The Standard OrchEXTRA Series – Shower the People: The Music of James Taylor featuring the Niagara Symphony and the Jeans 'n Classics Band, Nov. 29.

### DECEMBER 2007

Denzal Sinclair and Stephan Moccio, Dec. 1; John McDermott, Dec. 2, 2:30 p.m.; Jose Feliciano – One Night Only!, Dec. 6; Alpha YaYa Diallo, Dec. 7; Irish Rovers – Wasn't That a (Christmas) Party!?, Dec. 9, 2:30 p.m.; Celebrate Christmas with The Nylons, Dec. 12; Classic Albums Live: The Beatles – Abbey Road, Dec. 13.

### JANUARY 2008

The Standard OrchEXTRA Series – Papa Duke with the Niagara Symphony Daniel Swift, Musical Director and Conductor, Jan. 10; The Comedy Lounge featuring Sean Cullen, hosted by Jon Dore, Jan. 17; Marc Jordan and Amy Sky, Jan. 19; The East Village Opera Company, Jan. 23; Rubberbanddance: Elastic Perspective, Jan. 26 (David S. Howes Theatre); DK Ibomeka with Kellylee Evans, Jan. 30; DRUM!, Jan. 31.

### FEBRUARY 2008

The Spirit of Harriet Tubman starring Leslie McCurdy, Feb. 19; Tommy Douglas: The Arrows of Desire starring John Nolan, Feb. 20; Connie Kaldor with Eve Goldberg, Feb. 21; Black Umfolosi, Feb. 28; The Czech Boys Choir, Feb. 29.

### MARCH 2008

The Mayhem Poets, March 5; Lesley Gore – It's Still Her Party!, March 6; Women of the World featuring Kiran Ahluwalia, Ndidi Onukwulu and Tanya Tagaq, March 8; John Sherwood Toronto's Jazz Scene, March 14; Corb Lund and the Hurtin' Albertans with Danny Michel, March 15; Al Stewart with special guest Dave Nachmanoff, March 20; Les Boréades – Beatles Baroque, March 28; Boygroove...Boy-band lovers and haters rejoice! March 29.

### APRIL 2008

The Standard OrchEXTRA Series Higher Ground featuring the Niagara Symphony and the Jeans 'n Classics Band, April 3; Los Pinguos, April 4; Acoustic Roots featuring Matt Anderson, Mike Stevens and Dave Gunning, April 5; "Spirit and the Blues" The Campbell Brothers with special guest Eric Bibb, April 9; Matt Dusk, April 15; Gregg Lawless: Lawless Duets Etc., April 18; The Just For Laughs Road Show, April 19; Classic Albums Live: The Eagles – Hotel California, April 24; Sophie Milman, April 26.

### The Wee Ones Wiggle Series sponsored by Niagara This Week

(Purchase tickets to three show series only. Single tickets for individual shows on sale Oct. 1, subject to availability.)

Faustwork Mask Theatre: Little Big Frog, Oct. 21 at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.; The Big Comfy Couch: Molly's Fool Moon Festival, Jan. 13 at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.; Growing with Fred Penner! April 20 at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

### Theatre in Education Series (school performances for Grades K-12)

TAPEIRE – Driven by Rhythm, Oct. 18 at 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; Chris McKhool: Celebrate! Holidays of the Global Village, 10 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.; The Spirit of Harriet Tubman starring Leslie McCurdy, Feb. 18 and Feb. 19 at 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; Ballet Creole: Drummatix, Feb. 27 at 10 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.; Black Umfolosi, Feb. 28 at 12:30 p.m.; The Mayhem Poets, March 5 at 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; Mike Ford: The Great Canadian Songbook, March 26 (English) and March 27 (French) at 10 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.; Les Boréades – Beatles Baroque, March 28 at 12:30 p.m.

## Mediatalk People in the news

**Julian Kitchen**, Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Education's Pre-Service Department, participated as the online expert for TVOntario's Parents/Special Kids Q&A page. Kitchen, who has extensive experience as a teacher, teacher educator and researcher in gifted education, answered the questions parents often ask when trying to determine if their child is gifted, and how to enrich learning experiences of their gifted child both in and outside of school.

**Phillip Sullivan**, Associate Professor of Physical Education and Kinesiology, was interviewed by the *Globe and Mail* for a May 13 article about an Ontario high-school rugby player who died after being thrown to the ground by another player, entitled "Coaches work to keep aggression in check."

**Antonia Kronlund**, Assistant Professor of Marketing, International Business and Strategy, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a May 14 story about the latest pre-teen toy craze Webkinz – a toy plush pet that comes with a secret code that allows kids to access an online world where they can care for their virtual pets using Webkinz currency. In the article, "Kids caught up in web-toy craze," Kronlund notes that access to the website and the customization of the toy forges a relationship with kids, which could mean that this latest trend sticks around a little longer than most. The article was also published in the May 14 issue of the *Welland Tribune*.

**Katrina Brudzynski**, Adjunct Professor in the Department of Biological Sciences, was recently interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a May 16 story, "Myer senior competing at national science fair," about her involvement with a science mentorship program at A. N. Myer Secondary School in Niagara Falls that pairs high school students with faculty members.

**Kim Post**, Conference Services, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a May 18 story, "Easing the Grade 9 nerves," about her involvement with a program called Teen Esteem at Power Glen

School in St. Catharines that brings local businesswomen into the classroom to talk to the girls about their life experiences.

**Debbie Slade**, Director of the Centre for the Arts at Brock, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a May 24 story – "Star-struck" Debbie Slade finally lands her idol," – about the launch of the Centre's 2007-08 professional entertainment season, which will feature her musical idol Lesley Gore, the most commercially successful solo artist of the 1960s Girl Group era.

**Laura Cousins**, Assistant Professor of Sport Management, was interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a May 24 article about a provincial strategy aimed at increasing physical activity throughout Ontario, entitled "Niagarans urged to get active."

**Ian Brindle**, Dean, Faculty of Mathematics and Sciences, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a May 24 story about the Ontario government's decision to order 36 communities, including St. Catharines, to begin testing residential tap water for lead. In the article, entitled "Lead in water no surprise to Brock prof," Brindle discusses the findings from a drinking water study he conducted in the city several years ago. He notes that "About 15 years ago, we did a study and found quite high levels of lead in the water. It's not the water supply but the delivery system."

**Gyllian Raby**, Chair and Associate Professor of Dramatic Arts, and **Scott Henderson**, Lecturer in the Department of Communication, Popular Culture and Film, were both recently interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a May 25 article about politicians using the social networking website Facebook to reach out to voters, "The Politics of Facebook." The article was also published in the May 26 issue of the *St. Catharines Standard* ("Facebook: 'e-mail on steroids'").

**Stan Sadava**, Professor of Psychology and human rights expert, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a May 26 article, entitled "Revoking citizenship sends message," about the federal cabinet's decision to strip a 97-year-old St. Catharines man of his citizenship after he was found to have collaborated with Nazis during the Second World War.

## Attention workaholics – this day is For You too

Stop what you're doing, open [www.brocku.ca/wellnessconference](http://www.brocku.ca/wellnessconference) and register now for another day of fun, fellowship and learning on June 20 at the For You! Wellness Conference. Participation can actually improve your health and your productivity!

Workshops are filling up fast, but there is lots of room for everyone. Topics include art, fitness, finance, food, wine, relationships, health, safety and so much more. Whatever your interests, there's sure to be a workshop "For You!" Also, check out the plenary speakers, lunchtime entertainment and even a choice of food. Don't miss out on the energy, and excitement of this special day at Brock. Do it For You!

For further information, e-mail [oehs@brocku.ca](mailto:oehs@brocku.ca), or call ext. 3023.

## Library undergraduate research award winner announced



Amanda Greaves

Amanda Greaves of Georgetown, Ont., has been named the winner of the first annual \$500 undergraduate library research award. The award was given for the essay she wrote that described how she used library resources

and services in the writing of her paper "The Effects of Ozone Depletion on Asian Soybean Rust in the United States." Essays were ranked on sources consulted, the description of the search process, and evidence of learning. Greaves clearly demonstrated the principles of information literacy in her essay by showing that she could evaluate information critically, discern the relevant from the superfluous and incorporate selected information into her knowledge base.

Honourable Mention goes to Candice Bogdanski for the library essay accompanying her paper on "Keeping Up Appearances: Pirate Imagery and Symbolism in the Golden Age" and to Ryan Kwan for the library essay accompanying his paper on "Water Scarcity and its Effect on Aggregate Economic Activity in Nevada."

# Brock Briefs

## Thank you

Thanks to many members of the Brock community for their good wishes on the occasion of my retirement, including those who attended my retirement luncheon and/or contributed to the gifts. Special thanks to Elizabeth Ilnicki-Stone for putting together the unique bound "thesis" summarizing my career, and to Chris Skorski and Heather Gordon for organizing the luncheon. I have fond memories of the many fine people who have made Brock such a friendly and supportive academic environment for the past 39 years. I'll still be around next year, continuing a research project and teaching a half course, as I approach the end game of my plan of gradual retirement.

— Steve Hartman

## Parking permit registration for employees

The first day of parking permit registration for the Fall 2007/08 permits will take place on Tuesday, June 26. Please note that employee permits are not automatically

renewed, and each employee must register annually to receive their new permit. Student permit registration will occur later in July.

## Brock University Pension Plan General Meeting

A general meeting of the members of the University Pension Plan hosted by members of the University's Pension Committee will be held on Tuesday, June 19, from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. in Academic South 202. David Service of Towers Perrin (the plan's investment consultant) will provide a review of fund manager performance and market conditions. Ted Nixon of Mercer Human Resource Consulting (the plan's actuary) will provide an overview of the impact of the elimination of mandatory retirement on Brock pensions and the new Pension Income Splitting legislation. The presentations will be followed by a question-and-answer period.

If you have questions that you would like to have addressed at the general meeting, please contact Wanda Fast at ext. 4898; e-mail: wfast@brocku.ca by Monday, June 11.

All plan members are welcome.

## Gadula named new cross-country coach

Director of Athletics Lorne Adams recently announced that Curtis Gadula has been named the new head of the Brock Men's and Women's Cross-Country program. He takes over from Bill Payne who retired after 10 seasons at the helm.

Gadula, a 29-year old native of St. Catharines, brings a wealth of experience both as a coach and athlete at the NCAA Division I level.

## Board of Trustees staff representative election result

Congratulations to Wanda Gilmore, Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies, on her election as a representative of the permanent staff to the Board of Trustees. Gilmore will serve a three-year term, effective July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2010, and joins continuing staff representatives Mitzi Banders and Beth Natale.

A special thanks to all who allowed their names to stand for election. There is an opportunity each year for the election of a

permanent staff representative to fill one of the staggered, three-year term vacancies.

## MEd thesis defenses

Education student Sonja Upton will defend her thesis entitled "How Can I Improve My Practice and Contribute to the Professional Knowledge Base Through Narrative-autobiographical Self-study?" today at 2 p.m. in WH 147.

Thesis Supervisor: Susan Drake; Committee Members: Sandra Bosacki, Adele Thomas; External Examiner: Jacqueline Delong; Chair, Examining Committee: Lissa Paul. All are welcome to attend.

Education student Mary Marshall will defend her thesis entitled "Developing and Nurturing Professional Learning Communities: Principles Used by Elementary Administrators" on Friday, June 15, at 10 a.m. in WH 147. Thesis Supervisor: Coral Mitchell; Committee Members: Xiaobin Li, Ruth McQuirter Scott; Chair, Examining Committee: TBA. All are welcome to attend.

## Faculty and Staff

### APPLIED LINGUISTICS

**Veena Dwivedi** presented a paper entitled "An ERP Study of Noun Phrase Interpretation" (in collaboration with N.A. Phillips, S. Einagel and S. Baum) at the Cognitive Neuroscience Society 14th annual meeting, held May 5 to 8 in New York City.

### CAREER SERVICES

**Kara Hammond** was invited by Monsignor Clancy Elementary School in Thorold, Ont. to speak about her role as Resource Co-ordinator and Faculty Liaison in Career Services at its annual Grade 8 Career Day held May 3. The event helped young students become more aware of different careers available in the community.

### ECONOMICS

**Marilyn Cottrell** was named the inaugural winner of the Brock University Students' Union Teaching Excellence Award in April. The award is meant to recognize faculty who consistently enrich the undergraduate experience for the students of Brock University and are based on submissions from students.

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

**Robert Alexander** presented a paper entitled "Journalism and its Double: Subjectivity, Objectivity, and the Uncanny in *Joe Gould's Secret*" May 18 at the second International Conference for Literary Journalism Studies, Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po), Paris, France.

### GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES, FACULTY OF EDUCATION

**Lissa Paul** recently presented the following papers:

- "Rubrics: Murdering Children's Literature . . . the saga continues" at the Modern Critical Approaches to Children's Literature Conference in Nashville, Tenn. on March 31.
- "Learning to Read in Ontario: Crunching the Numbers," at the Acts of Reading Conference, Cambridge, England on April 19.
- "The Beat Goes On" at the American Literature Association Conference in Boston on May 25.

### INTENSIVE ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM

**Joan Dundas** and **James Papple** presented a workshop titled "Engaging Students with Learning-Directed Portfolios" at the Spirit of Inquiry conference at Concordia University, May 15.

### JAMES A. GIBSON LIBRARY

**Linda Lowry** and **Eun-ha Hong** (Wilfrid Laurier University) presented a paper entitled "Business data: issues and challenges from the Canadian perspective" at the annual conference of the International Association for Social Science Information Services and Technology (IASSIST) on May 16 in Montreal, Que.

### MUSIC

**Harris Loewen** conducted the Etobicoke Centennial Choir and guest artist, St. Catharines jazz pianist John Sherwood in a program of selections from the "Great American Songbook," entitled *Some Enchanted Evening*, on May 25 and 26, in Etobicoke, Ont. On this program, Loewen performed a number of selections as vocal soloist, accompanied by Sherwood at the keyboard. He also conducted the Avanti Chamber Singers, performing works by Elgar, Mulholland, Purcell, Thompson and others, in the final concert (Choral Spring) of their inaugural season, on June 2 in St. Catharines.

**Brian Power** was re-elected to the executive board of the Canadian University Music Society/Société de musique des universités canadiennes for a second three-year term (Treasurer) at the 2007 Congress, Faculté de Musique, Université de Montréal, May 12, where he presented several reports. As Chair of Brock's Music Department, he also participated as a member of the Standing Committee of Institutional Members of the Society, an advisory body on curriculum, degree structure and faculty workload for Departments and Faculties of Music across Canada.

### NURSING

**Lynn McCleary** was elected to a two-year term as chair of the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario Nursing Research Interest Group.

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

**David Siegel** spoke at a strategic planning meeting attended by the councillors and senior

staff of the City of Vaughan on the topic of "Building a Model City: External Opportunities and Constraints," on May 15.

### PRE-SERVICE EDUCATION

**Gail Phillips** chaired the first Golden Horseshoe "French as a Second Language" symposium at Brock's Hamilton Campus in April. This project involved the Faculty of Education and 12 regional school boards. One-hundred-and-thirty teachers participated in the interactive learning experience. Evaluations of the project were very positive with teachers expressing their desire to make this event an annual event.

**Julian Kitchen** and **Lorenzo Cherubini** presented a case study in teacher education: "A Collaborative Self-study" at the American Educational Research Association in Chicago, Ill., in April, 2007. Kitchen was the lead author for "Marisa's induction: A life history study of a new teacher."

### PSYCHOLOGY

**Cheryl McCormick** recently presented the following posters at the Canadian Association for Neuroscience conference held May 23 to 25, Toronto, Ont.:

- Wilton, A.; Harrison, A.; Tourountzas, E.; **McCormick, C. M.** (2007). "Different effects of age and of chronic stress in behaviour in the forced swim test in female and male rats."
- Mathews, I. Z.; **McCormick, C. M.** (2007). "Differences between adolescent and adult female and male rats in amphetamine-induced locomotor activity and conditioned place preference."
- Smith, C.; Mathews, I. Z.; **McCormick, C. M.** (2007). "Chronic social stress in adolescence decreases anxiety-like behaviour, or increases risk-taking behaviour, in the elevated-plus maze in females, which lasts into adulthood."

### VISUAL ARTS

**Natalie Zammit**, graduating student from Brock's Honours Visual Arts program, is hosting the exhibition *Wrapped*, which consists of a series of process-based sculptural works created for her honours tutorial. Zammit has worked under the supervision of Judy Marquis, Department of Visual Arts, for the last five months. *Wrapped* will be on display at Rodman Hall Arts Centre until Saturday, June 9.

## Publications

**Alsop, Justine.** (2007). "Regaining a Lost Love." *American Libraries*, May 2007, pp. 40.

**Amprimoz, Alexandre L.** (2007). "Sommeil noir," "Vautours," "Espoir sans nom." *Les Cahiers de poésie*. 10 (June 2007): pp. 163-67.

**Drake, S. M.** (2007). "Discovering an Identity as a Teacher Leader." *Voice*, 9 (4), pp 12-13.

Grieshaber, E.; Schmahl, W. W.; Neuser, R.; Pettke, T.; Blüm, M.; Mutterlose, J.; and **Brand, U.** (2007). "Crystallographic texture and microstructure of terebratulide brachiopod shell calcite: an optimized materials design with hierarchical architecture." *American Mineralogist*, vol. 92, pp. 722-734.

Munro, G. E., **Dywan, J.** Harris, G. T., McKee, S., Unsal, A., and **Segalowitz, S. J.** (2007). "Electrophysiological evidence of response inhibition in psychopathy," *Neuroscience Letters*, 418, pp. 149-153.

**Tardif-Williams, C. Y., and Williams, S. D.** (2007). "Cross-cultural differences in authoritarian parenting practices between nonimmigrant and Chinese-Canadian immigrant mothers: Conceptual and methodological considerations." In D. Zinga (Ed.), *Navigating Multiculturalism: Negotiating Change*, pp. 352-374. Cambridge Scholars Press: Newcastle, U.K.

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**For rent:** Glendale area, cute one-bedroom, newly renovated apartment. Lower level, with study, furnished, in quiet neighbourhood. Includes: heat, hydro, water. \$595/month. Call Brenda at 905-227-9938 for more information.



## Convocation celebrates the Class of 2007



Dr. Jack N. Lightstone

The most degrees and certificates ever conferred in Brock University's 43-year history took place at this year's Spring Convocation, where an estimated 4,000 students graduated during nine ceremonies from June 12 to 16.

At each commemoration, graduates and guests listened to inspiring advice from Brock President Jack Lightstone, four honorary degree recipients, two 2007 Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching recipients and three guest speakers.

"Graduates, today is also a momentous day for your parents, wives, children, other relatives and friends. Were it not for their support and encouragement, you graduates would not be here today. Their pride in you and their joy shines in their eyes and in their smiles," said Lightstone during his Convocation address. "In the end, however, dear graduates, it is principally by your own efforts and hard work that you have arrived at this convocation to receive your diplomas. You have managed to complete hundreds of readings, assignments, papers, presentations, research projects, tests, examinations, and discussions. You have deepened and broadened your understanding of the complex world in which we live."

The following is a sampling of the messages guest speakers shared with graduates:

**Dr. Robin C. Williams, Medical Officer of Health and Commissioner of Public Health, the Regional Municipality of Niagara:**

"Finally, on this life journey, this path, this roller coaster ride you're on, today you're just at the top of one of the peaks on your ride – where there is an instant of pause to reflect and look around. And although I don't know how many hills or valleys, or curves your ride will include, or how many times you'll go round the track, or who will get on or off your train, I do know you'll be thrown around a bit – life's like that. And I also know that you're not on this ride alone; life's a team sport so I ask that you have a look at who's on the train with you, your friends, your teachers and mentors, and of course your parents and family."

**Professor Lorne Adams, Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences and Director of Athletics:**

"Change is unsettling, change is scary, change is anxiety inducing. That is why we have phrases like, 'That's the way we've always done it.' It's known its safe, it's familiar. Clasp your hands together. Notice which thumb is on top. Pull your hands apart. Now put them together again, but put the other thumb on top. It's uncomfortable. It will require courage when there are lots of thumbs out there and they all want to be on top."



Barbara Vyrostko

**Barbara Vyrostko, executive director, Community Living Welland Pelham, honorary degree recipient:**

"My message to you graduates who are here

today — you are our future policy makers, teachers, politicians, business leaders, community leaders — is to think about your work and look at the

barriers that are there. Then, take another look at yourself and question how you can actively include people with disabilities. Your actions will create the environment that will support people in exercising their rights."

**Professor Joe Engemann, Graduate and Undergraduate Studies Department, 2007 Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching, Faculty of Education:**

"For those of you who have successfully completed your studies and teaching practica within our pre-service education program, you are about to proceed along a professional career path that provides boundless opportunities to support and nurture our children's natural love for learning and inquiry. This applies to all domains, disciplines, subjects, topics. It is amazing how much you can engender an enthusiasm within children for learning about anything."

**Professor Ruth McQuirter Scott, Pre-Service Department, Faculty of Education:**

"Much has changed about teaching since the class of 1930. Today's teachers are expected to know vastly more about every subject they teach than my mother's generation; to address the needs of every student in the room, not just the ones who learn easily; to embrace technology that even the dreamers could not have imagined 80 years ago. But with all the changes, one thing remains constant. The heart of teaching is in the relationships you establish with your students."



Bluma Appel

**Bluma Appel, patron of the arts, honorary degree recipient:**

So here I am today – the product of what you different generations continue to teach me. My life is

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## Students who exemplify spirit of Sir Isaac Brock honoured at Convocation

Leadership, courage, innovation, inspiration and community involvement — these qualities that best represent the spirit of Sir Isaac Brock also determined the inaugural recipients of the new Board of Trustees Spirit of Brock Medal at Spring Convocation.

"The Brock University Board of Trustees created this award in order to pay special recognition to the outstanding achievements and contributions of Brock students graduating at Convocation," says David S. Howes, Chair, Brock University Board of Trustees. "The qualities that these students represent exemplify the best and the brightest that Brock has to offer."

The medals were presented to one undergraduate student from each Faculty based on the recommendation of the Deans, and one graduate-level student (master's and PhD) from each Faculty on the recommendation of the Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies in consultation with the other Deans.

The Chair of the Board of Trustees, or designate, presented the medals at convocation to students who exemplify any one or more of the following qualities: leadership, courage, innovation, inspiration and community involvement.

The recipients of the 2007 Board of Trustees Spirit of Brock Medals are:

- Undergraduate students:**
- **Joel Dembe** of Lynden, Ont., Honours Bachelor of Sport Management, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences
  - **Michelle Leece** of St. Catharines, Ont., Honours Bachelor of Business Administration with a Concentration in Human Resource Management, Faculty of Business
  - **Keith Tait** of St. Catharines, Ont., Pre-Service Education, Faculty of Education
  - **Christina Le Rose** of Niagara Falls, Ont., Honours Combined Bachelor of Arts Music/French with a minor in Italian, Faculty of Humanities
  - **William Marshall** of Welland, Ont., Honours Bachelor of Science in Mathematics Integrated with Computers and Applications with a Concentration in Statistics, Faculty of Mathematics and Science
  - **Victoria Tasker** of Stoney Creek, Ont., Honours Bachelor of Arts in Human Geography with a minor in English, Faculty of Social Sciences

- Graduate students:**
- **Laura MacPherson** of Courtright, Ont., Master of Science in Applied Health Science, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences
  - **Ying (Angela) Shen**, Master of Business Administration, Faculty of Business
  - **Spogmai Akseer** of St. Catharines, Ont., Master of Education, Faculty of Education
  - **Andre Cormier** of Kingston, Ont., Master of Arts in English, Faculty of Humanities

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Please Note: The next issue of Brock News will be published on Wednesday, July 18, with a submission deadline of Friday, July 6.

# Courtyard renovation would provide social space

A new initiative that will see a refurbishment of most food service facilities on campus over the next two years is being contemplated by the University.

The first, and largest, component of the plan to be executed is a renewal of the Tower Cafeteria, including the development and enclosure of the adjacent 12,000-square-foot outdoor courtyard.

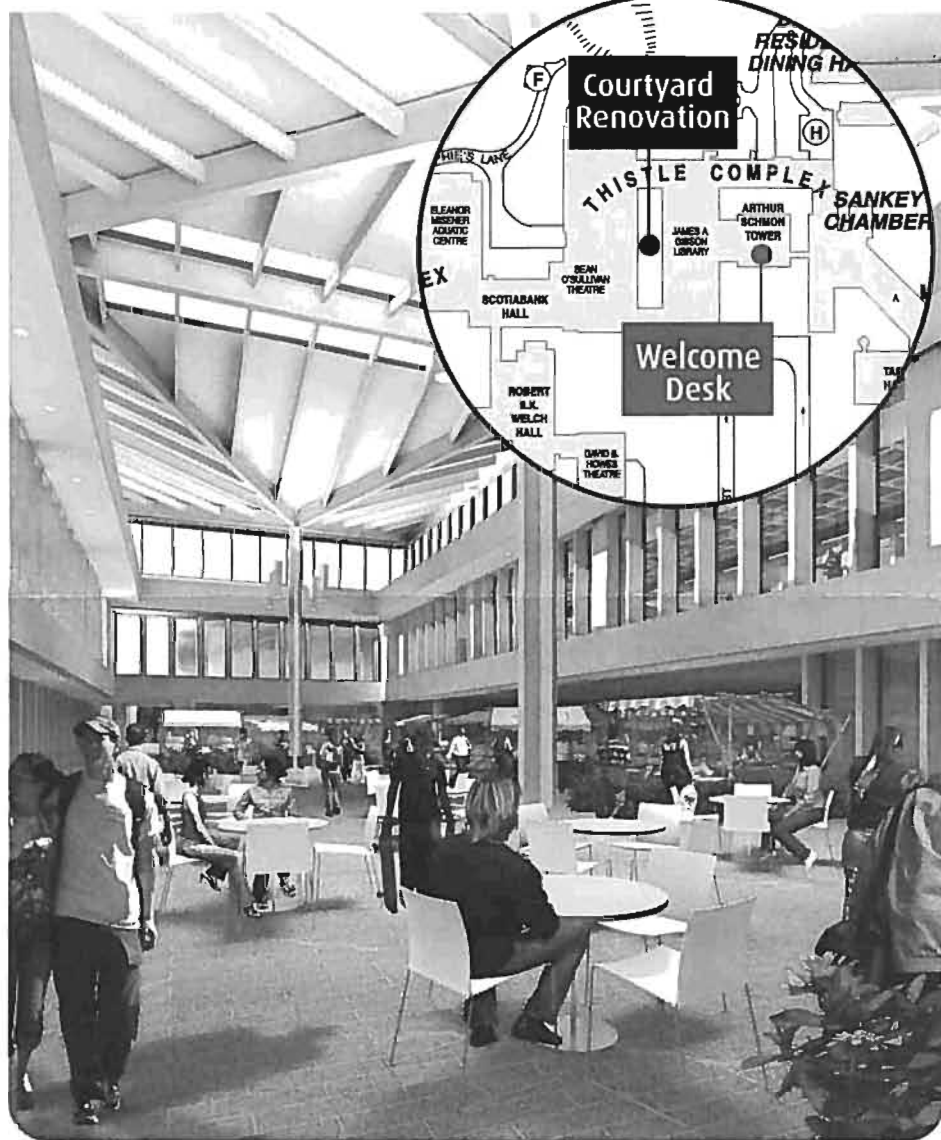
"This exciting project has the opportunity to utilize underused space for the benefit of the entire Brock community," says Tom Arkell, Director of Community and Ancillary Services. "In addition, the transformation and expansion of the food service facilities will provide greater choice and service for patrons."

The plan would see the courtyard enclosed, and the new space will

accommodate a 4,500-square-foot marché, a 1,000-square-foot fresh food marketplace, and will triple the amount of available seating currently being offered. As an added bonus, the space will provide much-needed social space for students, staff and faculty, immediately adjacent to the new Learning Commons.

"The Learning Commons facility will be greatly enhanced by this adjacent development," says Kim Meade, Associate Vice-President, Student Services. "Prospective students, parents, faculty, staff, students, alumni and community members will benefit from the additional features being offered in the courtyard."

The cafeteria and courtyard projects will be self-financed through revenues from the University dining program.



# The CFI awards more than \$125,000 to Brock researchers

The Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) announced recently that it has awarded \$127,514 to Brock University to support two projects led by Professor Isabelle Lesschaeve of the Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute (CCOVI), and Georgii Nikonov of the Department of Chemistry.

"Knowledge-intensive economies and societies of the 21st century will be characterized by innovative research, and a highly educated and skilled workforce," says Dr. Eliot Phillipson, president and CEO of the CFI. "Over the past 10 years, the CFI's investments have been a major factor in enabling Brock University to attract some of the world's best researchers. Today's investment will ensure that this trend continues."

Lesschaeve's work will focus on consumer behaviour and preference, by gaining an understanding of sensory and non-sensory factors affecting Canadian consumer perception of wine quality. Lesschaeve, Director of CCOVI, intends to establish a consumer behavioural laboratory to conduct both qualitative and quantitative measurements of consumer liking, purchase intent and consumption in simulated contexts. She has been awarded \$68,922 in this round of CFI funding.

Nikonov's research interests focus on hydride chemistry, including applications to molecular catalysis. This approach is designed to meet the growing demands of chemical manufacturers, including pharmaceutical companies that seek more efficient and "greener" (less waste-producing) chemical processes. He will receive \$58,592 in CFI funding for the project.

For more information, visit [www.brocku.ca](http://www.brocku.ca) and click on "More News."

Students who exemplify spirit  
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- Gary Pigeau of Webwood, Ont., PhD in Biotechnology, Faculty of Mathematics and Science

- Lorraine Pannett of Guernsey, British Isles, U.K., Master of Arts in Social Justice and Equity Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences

The best of the Class of 2007 was also recognized as part of Brock's Spring Convocation. Students with the highest standing in either a first Honours (four-year) or pass (three-year) degree in each Faculty received a Dean's Medal for academic excellence.

In the Faculty of Education, the graduating student who best exhibits academic and professional excellence in the Pre-Service program, as selected by the Faculty of Education, received a Dean's Medal. In the Faculty of Business, only one medal is awarded for the Honour's degree as all programs are a minimum of four years.

The students receiving Dean's Medals are:

- Faculty of Applied Health Sciences
  - Honours Degree: **William Gott** of Feversham, Ont., Physical Education and Kinesiology
  - Pass Degree: **Ariel David Garcia**, Sport Management
  - Faculty of Business
  - Honours Degree: **Julie Lynn Swan** of Hamilton, Ont., Accounting Co-op
  - Faculty of Education
  - **Tara-lea Beaudoin** of Hamilton, Ont., Pre-Service Education
  - Faculty of Humanities
  - Honours Degree: **Christina Le Rose** of Niagara Falls, Ont., Combined Music/French with a minor in Italian
  - Pass Degree: **Robert Hayes Knight** of Niagara Falls, Ont., History
  - Faculty of Mathematics and Science
  - Honours Degree: **Colin Phipps** of Jordan, Ont., Mathematics integrated with Computers and Applications with a Concentration in Pure Mathematics
  - Pass Degree: **Alec James Yarascavitch** of St. David's, Ont., General Studies
  - Faculty of Social Sciences
  - Honours Degree: **Sherri-Lynn Vervaeke** of Grimsby, Ont., Child and Youth Studies
  - Pass Degree: **Jason Lawrence Ostafichuk** of Ancaster, Ont., Psychology
- In addition, 53 students received Distinguished Graduating Student Awards for obtaining the highest average in their major.

# Shallaway brings *Ann & Séamus* to Brock

The international award-winning choir, Shallaway – Newfoundland & Labrador Youth in Chorus – will bring *Ann & Séamus – A Chamber Opera* to Brock on Thursday, July 5 as part of a five-city tour that includes stops in St. John's, Ottawa, Toronto, St. Catharines, and Washington, D.C.

Based on the book *Ann and Seamus* by Kevin Major, a Newfoundland poet and author of national acclaim, *Ann & Séamus – A Chamber Opera* has a uniquely strong pedigree. The words and music have been created by globally celebrated composer Stephen Hatfield. It is directed by highly regarded Siminovitch Award winner Jillian Keiley.

*Ann & Séamus* tells the story of an extraordinary act of heroism that occurred nearly two centuries ago by the unlikelyst of heroes. In 1828, on the southwest coast of Newfoundland, 17-year-old Ann Harvey and her family, sole occupants of the community of Isle aux Morts, used a simple fishing dory to rescue 163 Irish immigrants from the *Despatch*, a ship impaled on the rocky shores during a raging storm. For 11 days after their rescue, Ann and her family kept the survivors alive, fed and cared for.

"Our young artists have worked

extremely hard preparing for this production," says Susan Knight, Artistic Director for Shallaway. "We have a talented group, and we are excited to tell the amazing story of Ann Harvey."

Kathleen Allan, Shallaway Chorister, says, "The opera is very inspirational. We have created a unique and significant production about an amazing young girl. We are so proud to be sharing her story and our history with the world."

Shallaway was honoured to have descendants of *Despatch* survivors and of the Harvey family attend the premiere of *Ann & Séamus* in June 2006 and it is anticipated that these and other descendants will attend this summer's performances in Ontario and Washington, D.C.

For tickets to the *Ann & Séamus* performance, to be held at the David S. Howes Theatre, Brock University at 8 p.m. on Thursday, July 5, please contact the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257, or online at [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca). Prices are as follows: Adult: \$22.79; Children/Seniors \$17.49, and a family of four is \$59.36.

For further information about *Ann & Séamus*, please visit [www.annandseamus.com](http://www.annandseamus.com)

# SWAT members wanted for Orientation Week

The Brock University Students' Union (BUSU) is in the beginning stages of planning the 2007 Orientation Week.

Because it takes many hands to pull events together, students, staff and faculty are being called upon to spread the word about BUSU's Student Welcoming Awareness Team (SWAT). Volunteers who join SWAT will play a large role in carrying out the events during O-Week.

Each SWAT member is invited to take part in a free training weekend that is designed to assist in acquainting team members with one another. SWAT members are provided with two free T-shirts and free access to most events during the week. SWAT members will also be provided with complimentary meals while they are volunteering.

The hours volunteered during O-week can also be tracked through Brock University's Experience Plus program, offering an excellent resumé-building opportunity.

BUSU is also beginning to plan several summer fundraisers for Shinerama! Brock and the surrounding communities are invited to take part in the events which provide funds to help fight Cystic Fibrosis.

Faculty and staff can refer students to [www.busu.net](http://www.busu.net), where anyone can access and print a copy of the application for SWAT and submit it to the BUSU office no later than Aug. 1, 2007.

Any questions or concerns can be directed to Brittany McLeod, BUSU Volunteer and Charities Co-ordinator, at ext. 3195.



## Brock welcomes its first Fulbright scholar

The Centre for Teaching, Learning and Education Technologies (CTLET), Brock International and the Office of the Associate Vice-President Research and International Development are pleased to announce the arrival of Brock University's first Canada-U.S. Fulbright scholar, Richard L. Lanigan.

Lanigan is an acclaimed professor and researcher from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale (SIUC). As Director and Fellow of the International Communicology Institute and a Fulbright Senior Specialist, he specializes in intercultural communication and semiotics, focusing mainly on Asian culture. His research interests include sign, symbol, and representation theory; semiotics; social code theory; the philosophy of communication; as well as intercultural and cross-cultural communication.

Lanigan will give an open public lecture, entitled "*The Home-World Model of Culture and Communication*", on Monday, June 25, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Pond Inlet, followed by a wine and cheese reception.

Michael Hawes, executive director of the Foundation for Educational Exchange Between Canada and the United States of America, will also attend the lecture and will give a brief overview of opportunities for Brock scholars (both professors and students) to participate in Fulbright. The foundation, based in Ottawa, is responsible for administering the Canada-U.S. Fulbright program in Canada. Their programs aim to give

scholars more opportunities to share their research with relevant audiences in both countries and participate in various national and binational debates.

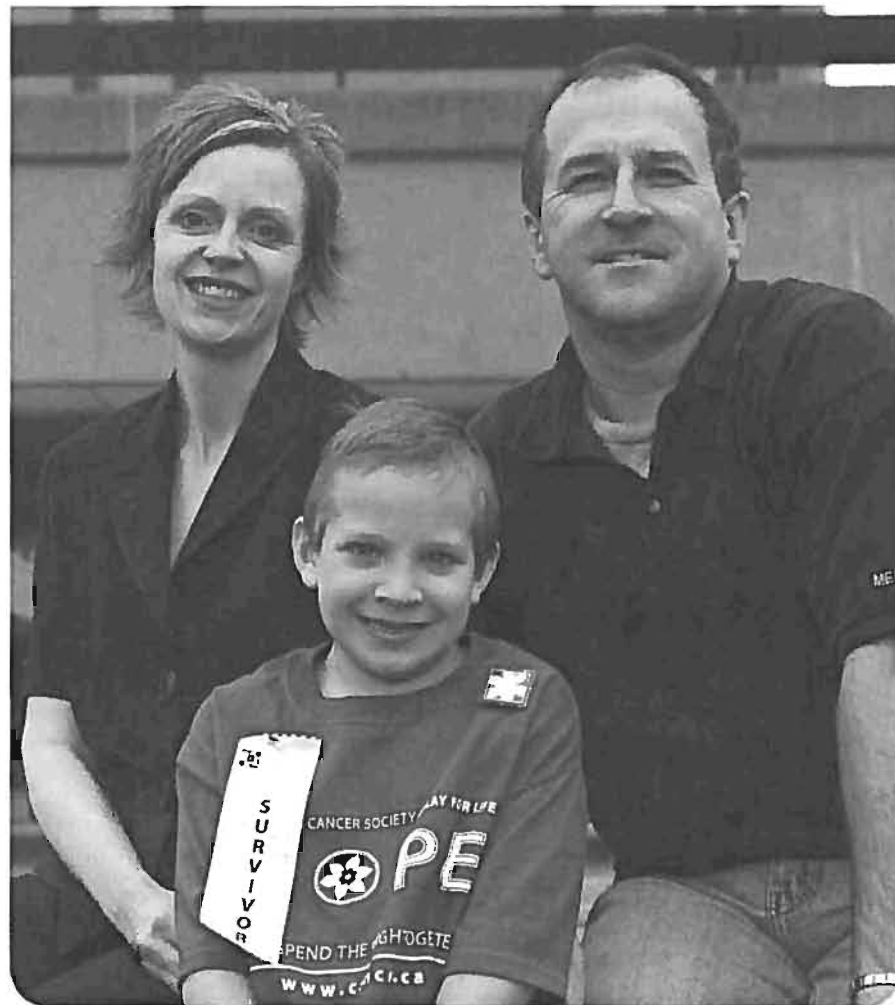
Lanigan will be at Brock for a little more than one month. During his visit, Lanigan will collaborate closely with his academic colleague and host, Maureen Connolly, Director of CTLET, and with the Office of the Associate Vice-President Research and International Development.

In addition to joint research with Connolly, Lanigan will be delivering a series of workshops and tutorials for interested participants at Brock, including teaching assistants, graduate students, faculty and staff. Session topics will range from non-verbal communication and east-meets-west culture systems, to interviewing techniques and small group dynamics, to qualitative research methods, academic publishing, and visual culture.

The Fulbright Scholar Sessions will take place between Thursday, June 21, and Friday, July 20. To register, please visit [www.brocku.ca/ctlet](http://www.brocku.ca/ctlet). Lanigan has met with all Deans and various senior administrators, and welcomes any other appointments or meetings during his brief tenure at Brock. He can be reached directly at [rlanigan@brocku.ca](mailto:rlanigan@brocku.ca)

For further information about Lanigan's participation at Brock or any of the above-mentioned events, please contact the Brock International office at ext. 4404 or 4088.

## Nine-year-old cancer survivor ready for relay



Brock Taraba is linked to Brock University by more than his first name. The nine-year-old boy is an example of the connection that the institution enjoys and encourages with the broader community.

Last year, Brock completed the Survivor Lap at the Relay for Life, an annual fundraiser for cancer research that was held at the University through its Community Connections program. He will participate again at this year's event, which takes place Friday, June 22 on the University campus.

Brock's mother, Lori Synes-Taraba, who graduated last week with an Honours degree in Child and Youth Studies, says "that first lap with my son was one of the most emotional walks I have ever had."

Brock was diagnosed with high-risk acute lymphoblastic leukemia at the age of 10 months. Synes-Taraba and her husband Stephen (BA, adm/soci, '96) were told their baby had 20 days to live.

After intensive treatment, including radiation therapy, the little boy was given

the "all clear" in November 2005. Brock is now a patient of the After-Care Clinic at McMaster Children's Hospital for post-treatment and growth and development checkups.

"Brock University has been tremendous in its support for allowing the Relay for Life to take place," says Synes-Taraba, who sits on the Relay for Life committee. "It was extra special that Steve and I met there, that we named Brock to represent our beginnings as a couple, and that Brock was able to walk his first Survivor Lap there."

"As a whole, Brock University has been there for all of our family accomplishments," she continues. "It was so fitting that Brock took his first Survivor steps at a place that means so much to our family."

The active boy with the winning smile sums things up best: "It's great to be here."

For more information, visit [www.relayforlife.ca](http://www.relayforlife.ca) or [www.brocku.ca/communityconnections](http://www.brocku.ca/communityconnections)

## TAP offers students opportunity to become global citizens

Students from the Department of Dramatic Arts will become global citizens as they participate in TAP (Turn Around Project), an interdisciplinary applied theatre research project in Port Antonio, Jamaica, this summer.

On Thursday, June 28, Professor Jane Leavitt from the Department of Dramatic Arts, and Michael St. George, an arts educator and renowned Dub poet, will lead 18 Brock students in the intensive applied theatre project.

Fifteen students enrolled in DART 3F99, an Advanced Tutorial in Dramatic Arts, are required to co-ordinate and run workshops as well as prepare and analyze data for 110 children.

Two students from Brock's Film Studies program will create a documentary about TAP that will be used in presentations at academic conferences, and Ryan Burke, President of the Black Students' Society from Brock University, will also accompany the group on the trip.

During this project, Brock students will face social, cultural and educational issues that have important ramifications for personal, professional, and intellectual growth.

"By equipping students with cultural knowledge, artistic and analytical skills, and by offering an international teaching

experience, we help students become global citizens," says Leavitt.

The goal of TAP is to offer Jamaican children a free arts program for five years in order to contribute to a movement to inspire lives and communities.

Educators from the University of the West Indies in Kingston, Jamaica, and from the College of Agriculture Science and Education in Port Antonio, Jamaica, will work with TAP examining relevant social issues through drama, music, art, storytelling and dance. The data and research acquired in this year's pilot project will assist in the design of subsequent years.

The arts project will be held at Titchfield High School in Port Antonio. Children participating in TAP will come from three primary schools and Titchfield High School, all in Port Antonio, and from the August Town community in Kingston. This area of Jamaica is considered challenging because of the difficult conditions that many children live with every day.

Professor Leavitt's research project is supported with grants from Brock's Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Internal Grant and the Office of International Services. For more information, please visit: [www.turnaroundproject.com](http://www.turnaroundproject.com)

## Summer art camp at Rodman Hall Arts Centre

Rodman Hall is the place to be this summer for budding artists! Led by a talented team of instructors, young artists embark on an art adventure like no other. Combining a variety of traditional and non-traditional materials and techniques with lots of imagination, children create extraordinary projects in the studios and on the grounds of Rodman Hall.

Cost: \$175 full day (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) or \$89 half day (9 a.m. to 12 noon or 1 to 4 p.m.)

**Ages 6 – 8**

3...2...1...Art Blast Off! (July 9 to 13)

Fables and Fairy Tales \*FULL\* (July 16 to 20)

Animal Antics (Aug. 13 to 17)

Toy Troopers (Aug. 20 to 24)

**Ages 9 – 12**

Cartoon Capers (July 9 to 13)

Sculpture Skills (July 16 to 20)

Paint Like a Master (Aug. 13 to 17)

Planet eARTh (Aug. 20 to 24)

If your young ones are drawn to computer design, then Digital Art Lab summer camp is for them. Exploring the basics of Photoshop, Illustrator, Flash and Dreamweaver on Apple eMacs, students can learn to draw with the computer, edit and manipulate photographs, create short animations and build their own websites.

For more information on Digital Art Lab summer camp and full course descriptions, check out our website: [www.brocku.ca/rodmanhall/education](http://www.brocku.ca/rodmanhall/education)

To register, please phone the Welcome Desk at ext. 4775, or visit in person at Rodman Hall, 109 St. Paul Crescent, St. Catharines. Brock University families receive a 10 per cent discount on course registrations.

## Partnership with Meridian offers opportunities to students



From left: Sean Jackson, President and CEO, Meridian Credit Union; Brock President Jack Lightstone; Gillian Kemp, Program Director, Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability Initiative, Faculty of Business; and Don Cyr, Associate Dean, Graduate Programs and Research, Faculty of Business.

The Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability Initiative (CSRI) project was initiated through the Graduate Studies and Research Office in the Faculty of Business at Brock University. The initiative endeavours to provide service-learning opportunities to Brock University students. Students are matched with non-profit organizations to provide expertise and receive work experience. The non-profits benefit not only from the work accomplished through student placements but also from a transfer of skills and knowledge. The students gain work experiences as well

as a new network of contacts in the non-profit sector, including the community-minded business people who sit on the boards of the non-profits. Students learn how their own skills add value to community organizations and impact on the population they serve.

The support of Meridian Credit Union will allow for the provision of three paid internships for students over the summer months and will also support the establishment of an online library of CSR resources and the development of a speaker series.

## Nationalism book by Brock professor receives national award

Professor Garth Stevenson, Department of Political Science, has been awarded the 12th annual Donald Smiley prize for his book *Parallel Paths: The Development of Nationalism in Ireland and Quebec*.

Every year, the Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) awards the Smiley Prize for the best book published on Canadian government and politics. Stevenson is the first Brock faculty member to win the award.

"This prize is a significant accolade for me and for the Department of Political Science at Brock University, where I have been happily employed for 20 years," says Stevenson.

*Parallel Paths: The Development of Nationalism in Ireland and Quebec* compares the results of independence

movements in the two societies. The book contrasts the different ways the two groups rebelled against British rule – from armed resistance and partition in Ireland, to the Quiet Revolution and eventual rise of the independence movement in Quebec.

"It's fitting that the Smiley Prize would be awarded to someone like Professor Stevenson who has contributed so much to the understanding of Canadian politics over the years," says David Siegel, Dean of Social Sciences at Brock.

The prize was established in honour of the late Donald V. Smiley, an internationally renowned professor of Canadian government and politics.

For more information, visit [www.brocku.ca](http://www.brocku.ca) and click on "More News."

## Brock Briefs

### Koustas named Associate Dean

Jane Koustas, Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures, has accepted the position of Associate Dean, Graduate Studies and Research, in the Faculty of Humanities. She begins a three-year term on July 1, 2007, succeeding John Sainsbury, Department of History. Koustas' responsibilities will include directorship of the Humanities Research Institute as well as overseeing the graduate programs in Humanities. "We are very fortunate to have someone of Jane's ability and experience in this important position, and I look forward to working with her closely in promoting research and graduate studies in the

Humanities," says Rosemary Hale, Dean, Faculty of Humanities.

### Youth University thanks Teen Esteem volunteers

Youth University extends thanks to all the women from the Brock community who donated their time and talents to the Teen Esteem Program. The program recognizes that not all girls have role models from whom to learn or the encouragement and financial resources to reach for a dream. The aim of this program is to help young girls (in Grades 6 to 8) realize the scope of careers available to them through the personal stories of the workshop presenters.

Congratulations to all the speakers on a job well done!

## Mediatalk

People in the news

**Gillian Kemp**, program director of Brock's Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability Initiative in the Faculty of Business, was interviewed by *Niagara This Week* for a June 6 article - "Brock business program gets boost from Meridian" - about a \$50,000 donation from Meridian Credit Union to support the initiative over the next three years.

**Dale Bradley**, Assistant Professor of Communication, Popular Culture and Film, was interviewed by the *Simcoe Reformer* for a June 4 story about the social networking website Facebook. entitled "Meet the giant face of social networking."

**Craig Hyatt**, Assistant Professor of Sport Management was interviewed by Bloomberg news services (Bloomberg.com) for a June 4 online story about the poor television ratings for this year's NHL playoffs, "Canada Yawns as Ottawa Senators Fight Ducks for Hockey Title."

Hyatt was also cited in other playoff news stories as a result of a case study he recently co-authored, entitled *The Invention of Tradition: Building Oiler Nation*, which explains how sports organizations build a "fan nation" not restricted to a particular location. The articles published on June 3 appeared in the following newspapers: *Victoria Times Colonist* ("No 'fan nation' for Sens"), *Edmonton Journal* ("Senators struggle to construct 'fan nation'") and *The Ottawa Citizen* ("Sens nation purely academic").

**Garth Stevenson**, Professor of Political Science, was interviewed by the *Vancouver Sun* for a June 2 story about the federal government's bill aimed at injecting fairness into parliamentary representation, entitled "Harper's zeal for rep by pop is open to question."

**Adam Dickinson**, Assistant Professor of English, Language and Literature, was recently interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a June 1 Spectrum feature article about the nomination of his book, *Kingdom, Phylum*, for the prestigious Trillium Book Award for poetry. In the article, entitled "A man of words", Dickinson notes: "We make categories to make meanings and these are useful and productive for us. But they can also be damaging at times - like when we slot people into categories and we forget they're just like other objects in the world."

**Kimberly Cote**, Associate Professor of Psychology, was recently interviewed by Hamilton-based newspaper *Forever Young* for a June 1 story about the long-term consequences of poor sleep, entitled

"Sleep tight."

**Martin Head**, Professor of Earth Sciences, and **Karen Arnell**, Associate Professor of Psychology, were both interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a May 31 article about the most recent round of NSERC funding received by University researchers. The article, entitled "Grant cash helps Brock land rare microscope," provided brief descriptions of the projects that both researchers received funding for.

Business students **Laura Riccutto**, **Martin Bartosek** and **Jennifer Baker** were interviewed on AM 1220 CHSC on June 7 about the Brock MBA Business Consulting Service.

**Marla Portfolio**, Co-ordinator, Med Plus Program, was interviewed about Med Plus students' involvement in co-ordinating Rural Medicine Week activities in Fort Erie on May 28 on AM 610 CKTB's "Drive Home" program.

**Charles Burton**, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science, recently gave the following media interviews and appearances:

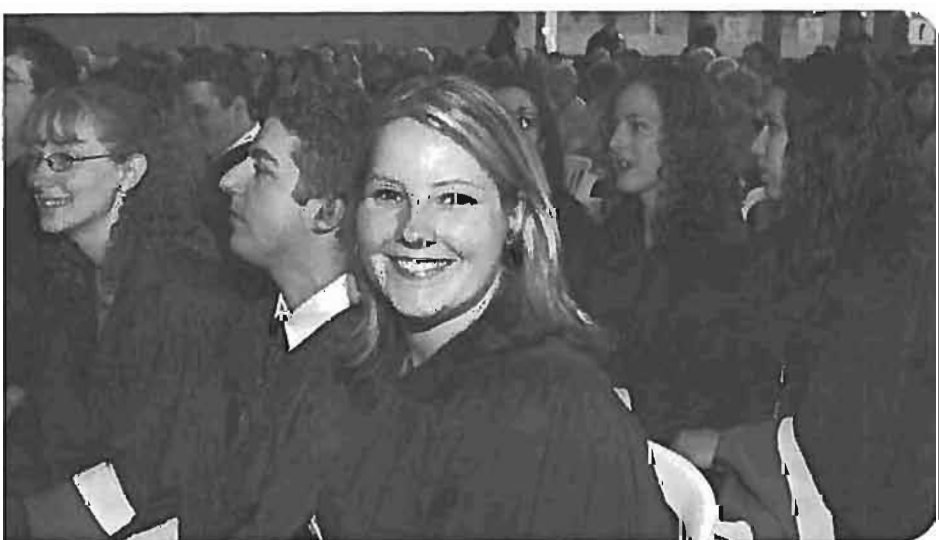
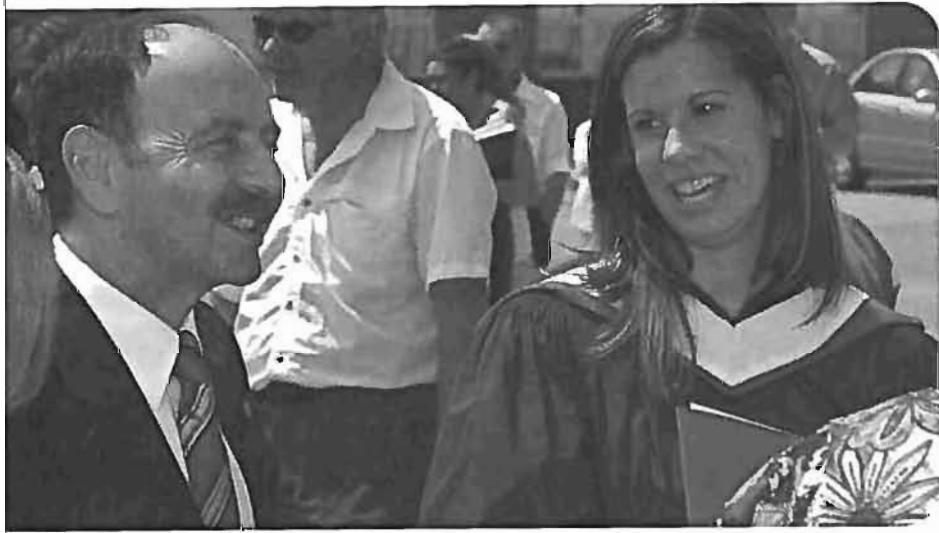
- interviewed on Radio Canada International's (RCI) "The Link" program on June 11 about his report for the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT) on Canada's human rights dialogue with China.
- interviewed by the *Globe and Mail* for a June 11 article that discusses his report for DFAIT, "China wanted cash to discuss human rights."
- interviewed by Chinese language newspaper *Singtao Daily* for a May 12 article, "Parliamentary report on human rights in China recommends transfer of funding to focus on religious rights," which quotes his views.
- a characterization of his views on Canada-China relations appears in a May 5 *Globe and Mail* article, "Chinese whispers: the Maple Leaf's weakening sway in Beijing. Canada can bluster, but China's not listening. Why should they?"
- interviewed by *Singtao Daily* for a May 1 article, "The Canada-China human rights dialogue shelved last year, Ottawa stresses reform of the existing mechanism," which quotes his views.
- interviewed on RCI's "The Link" program on May 1 about the impact of the Huseyincan Celil case on Canada-China relations.
- interviewed by *Singtao Daily* for an April 26 article, "Parliamentary Subcommittee adopted report on human rights in China," which quotes his views.

For more in-depth information of Burton's media appearances, including audio clips, transcripts and links to online articles, please visit: <http://spartan.ac.brocku.ca/~cburton>



The PALS (Positive Active Living for Students) program is in its 13th year of providing a spring activity program for elementary school classes. This year, more than 3,500 children will take part in daily programs featuring rowing, archery, flag rugby, tennis and aquatics activities. The program is coordinated by the Department of Recreation Services (Les Gilson - coordinator) and employs 13 Brock University students.





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me. My life is still an adventure in learning – exciting and fulfilling. And for that, I thank you. But to be perfectly honest, I am concerned about your future. In my time, social programs were introduced. Labour established its place. Women found their voice. Democracy thrived and Medicare was born. It is imperative to have knowledge of the past and know what it took to build our great country. If you don't play a part in the present there might not be much of a future. How many of you are interested in politics? How many of you vote? If you don't like what's going on, don't just complain and criticize. Get involved! There was never a better time."



Brian Tobin

**Brian Tobin, senior business advisor, Fraser Milner Casgrain and former premier of Newfoundland and Labrador, honorary degree recipient:**

"As Brock alumni, you belong to an institution whose capacity to excel across the many disciplines of research strengthens every year. This is important progress for Brock and as you take up your places in the broader Canadian community, remember to keep coming back and to give back to this Niagara-based institution whose

presence is not only felt here on the peninsula but increasingly, all across Canada and around the world."

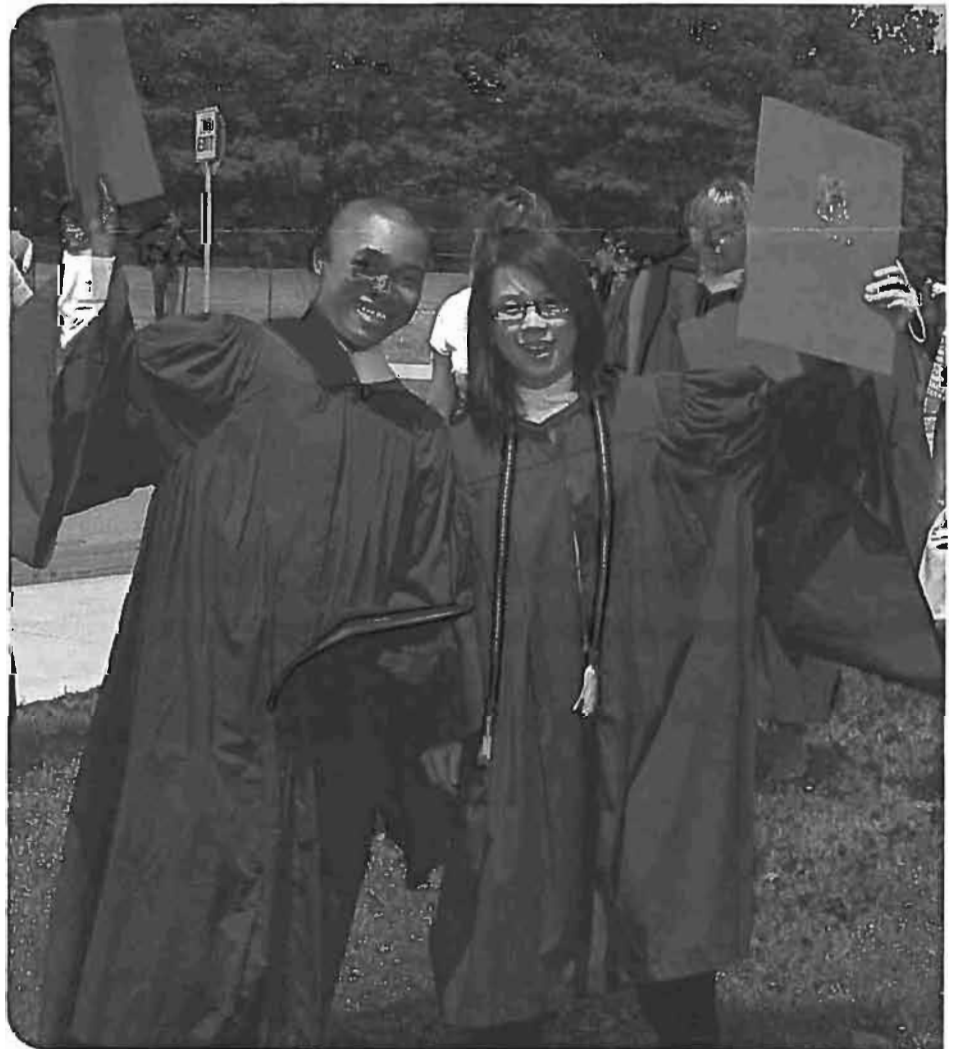


Anthony R. Graham

**Anthony R. Graham, president and director, Wittington Investments Limited, honorary degree recipient:**

"One of the great skills you can never learn too much about is planning for change. In these days especially. Change can come from far off or pop up on your computer screen. And believe me, the whole world will change. To prepare for change you need to be smart, entrepreneurial and flexible. But you'll need to adapt to changing circumstances. When change is coming faster and faster at you ... one thing doesn't change at all — what's that one thing? — it's your integrity, adhering to ethical principles, being honest. It sounds simplistic, but hear me out. In all my years of business, I learned a very simple lesson. Honesty is the best policy. Honesty is always the best policy. Not sometimes, not when you need it, but always."

The convocation address of Professor Dorothy Griffiths, Child and Youth Studies, was not available at the time Brock News went to press.



## Third Bacchus Wine Conference a sparkling success

Nearly 300 passionate grape and wine delegates descended upon Brock University for three days of lively discussions, addresses, wine tastings and culinary events at the third international and interdisciplinary Bacchus Wine Conference. This diverse gathering looked at wine from all angles, disciplines and social points of view. There were many scholarly presentations from

international authorities, lively panel debates, practical workshops, unique wine tastings and food and wine dinners that showcased the best of Ontario.

The most current research (and proposed research) was revealed at the conference, that will have significant effects on decisions in the tasting room, board rooms, dining rooms, vineyards and wine production cellars.

"I am so proud of our Bacchus team that delivered such an outstanding program," commented Isabelle Lesschaeve, director of Brock's Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute and Conference Chair. "International delegates from as far away as New Zealand, France, and Australia were all very impressed by the depth of the offerings in addition to the sheer

beauty, and 'great taste' of Niagara itself. I believe a number of our guests will be returning very soon to work with us at CCOVI and capture more of the Niagara spirit. It was also wonderful to see our oenology and viticulture students mingling and chatting with some of the most influential and best international minds in grape and wine."

## Faculty and Staff

### APPLIED LINGUISTICS

**Hedy McGarrell** presented a paper entitled "Teacher Talk in Two Different Prewriting Settings" (in collaboration with Michael Fitze) at the Canadian Association of Applied Linguistics (ACLA/CAAL) Conference, May 31 to June 3, 2007, held during the Social Sciences and Humanities Congress, in Saskatoon, Sask.

### ATHLETICS

**Joe Kenny**, Head Athletic Therapist, Department of Athletics, recently presented two workshops on Athletic Taping and Support techniques at the 2007 OFSAA Coaching Conference held at Brock on May 3 and 4.

### CHEMISTRY

**Costa Metallinos** delivered a talk entitled "Partially Reduced Heterocycles in the Synthesis of Benzimidazolylidenes and Aminoferrocenes" on April 19 at the Université de Montréal, and on April 16 at the University of Ontario Institute of Technology.

### CHILD AND YOUTH STUDIES

**Zopito Marini** presented the following posters at the biennial conference of the Society for Research in Child Development held March 2007 in Boston, Mass.

- **Marini, Z. A.**, Kennedy, R., Kingston, S., Busser, D. & YLC-CURA (2007, March). Emotional dysregulation in adolescent bully/victims: The relationship between temperament and parental monitoring.
- Leenaars, L., Dane, A. **Marini, Z. A.**, & YLC-CURA. (2007, March). Indirect victimization in adolescence as a function of attractiveness, dating and sexual behavior: *An Evolutionary Perspective*.

**Zopito Marini** also made an invited presentation titled, "Enhancing the role of parents in bullying intervention" at the PREVNet's Second Annual Conference held May 18 at McGill University, Montreal, Que.

### COMMUNITY HEALTH SCIENCES

From May 28 to 31, undergraduate and graduate students and faculty (listed in bold) from the Department of Community Health Sciences presented research papers in the Canadian Society for Epidemiology and Biostatistics 2007 Conference in Calgary, Alta.

- Tyler Zimmer, **Jian Liu**, Darren Brenner: Physical activity, body mass status, and sleeping hour among university undergraduate students.
- Marina Stegne, **Martin Tammemagi**, R. Krajenta, C. Neslund-Dudas: A reliability study of a comprehensive abstraction tool for the study of the impact of comorbidity on cancer outcome
- **Jian Liu**, **Terrance Wade**, **Brent Faught**, **John Hay**: Physical inactivity in Canada and its association with hypertension and diabetes
- Carma Lynn Wylie Wylie, **Terrance Wade**: The relationship between ethnicity and hypertension in Canada
- Divya Joshi, **Jian Liu**: Impaired fasting glucose and cardiovascular risk factors among adolescents
- Nadia Akseer, **Jian Liu**: Relation between Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) levels and obesity among different ethnicities
- Darren Brenner, **Martin Tammemagi**, David Nerenz, Richard Krajenta, David Nathanson: Symptoms as a predictor of survival in breast cancer patients

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

**Tim Conley's** book, *Whatever Happens*, was recently shortlisted in the category of Short Fiction for the ReLit Awards. Full details on the awards can be found at: <http://therelitawards.blogspot.com>

### ESL SERVICES

**Leigh Pritchard** presented a paper entitled "Developing a forum for fostering and modelling critical thinking and metacognition" at the annual International Cultural Research Network Conference at Glasgow University, May 4.

### GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES, FACULTY OF EDUCATION

**Kenneth McClelland** was recently invited to the University of Calabria in Cosenza, Italy, to deliver a paper at the World Conference on John Dewey. The theme of the conference was "Reconstructing Democracy." McClelland's paper, entitled "The Pragmatism of John Dewey and Richard Rorty: Education for the Aesthetic Imagination," was the sole Canadian representative at the conference. The proceedings will be published in book form later this fall. The conference was hosted and sponsored by Dr. Giuseppe Spadafora, Dean of the Faculty of Pedagogy, at the University of Calabria.

### LABOUR STUDIES

**Larry Savage** recently made the following presentations:

- "Working Hard or Hardly Working? Organized Labour and the Charter of Rights and Freedoms" presented at A Living Tree: The Legacy of 1982 in Canada's Political Evolution, held at the Saskatchewan Institute of Public Policy, in Regina, Sask. on May 24,
- "From Class Struggle to Collaboration: A Comparative Analysis of Quebec Labour's Approach to the 1980 and 1995 Referendums" presented to the Canadian Political Science Association Congress, in Saskatoon, Sask., on May 30.

### MARKETING, INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND STRATEGY

Antonia Kronlund recently presented the following academic papers:

- **Wudarzewski, Amanda; Kronlund, Antonia;** Clifasefi, Seema; Bernstein, Daniel M. and Loftus, Elizabeth F. (2007). "Remembering the Taste of the Wine: Constructed Wine Preferences from Suggestion" at Bacchus: An International Interdisciplinary Conference on Wine, held at Brock University, June 6 to 8.
- **Kronlund, Antonia,** and Hughes, Andrea. (2007). "Retrieval-Induced Forgetting in Brand Recall: Inhibition or Interference?" at the Southern Ontario Behavioral Decision Conference, Ivey School of Business, London, Ont., in May.

- **Kronlund, Antonia;** Yoon, Carolyn; and Wagner, Leanne. (2007). "Illusory Recollection of High Share Brands: The Delineation of a Phenomenon of Memory, but not Evaluation or Choice" at the Mid-Northwestern Consumer Behavior Winter Carnival Research Camp, Ivey School of Business, London, Ont., in January.

### MATHEMATICS

**Hichem Ben-El-Mechaiekh** has been appointed Associate Editor for the *Journal of Fixed Point Theory and Applications* published by Birkhäuser, Basel - Boston - Berlin

### NURSING

**Lynn McLeary** presented a poster at the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario International Conference on Evidence Based Best Practice Guidelines, held June 7 and 8 in Markham, Ont.: Buchanan, D., Burne, D., Malach, F. M., Moore, S. L., Wilson, K. J., Hirst, S., Jackson, F., **McLeary, L.**, McGilton, K., Spanjevic, L. (June, 2007). "The Canadian Coalition for Seniors' Mental Health: Development and knowledge transfer of new evidence based, national best practice guidelines."

### PHILOSOPHY

**Christine Daigle** presented the paper " 'The Mother of Us All': Simone de Beauvoir as Initiator" as part of the special joint panel "Continental Feminist Philosophy: Constructive Revisions of the Canon" hosted by the CPA (Canadian Philosophical Association) and CSWIP (Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy) at the Annual Meeting of the CPA, Saskatoon, Sask., May 29. She also co-facilitated with Sergio Tennenbaum (University of Toronto) the workshop "Hitting the Job Market. A Workshop for Current and Future Job Seekers [in Philosophy]" at the same conference.

**Christine Daigle** also presented the paper "Nietzsche as Phenomenologist. A Re-Assessment of the Middle Works" as a special guest speaker at the Annual Meeting of the CSCP (Canadian Society for Continental Philosophy), Saskatoon, Sask., May 30.

### PRE-SERVICE EDUCATION, FACULTY OF EDUCATION

**Douglas D. Karrow** recently made the following presentations at various forums held by the Canadian Society for Studies in Education in Saskatoon, Sask.:

- "A Response to, *Texturing one's lifeworld through Technology: The in-between of the textured*," by Dr. Stacey Irwin, at the Society of Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture, May 30.
- "Paul Shepard: His influence in thought, word and deed" with **Jeanne Kentel** for the Environmental Studies Association of Canada, on May 30.
- "Reconceiving Teacher Education Through the Nuance of Mystery and the Body," with **Jeanne Kentel** for The Canadian Association for Teacher Education, on May 29.

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Dorogov K. Y., Yousufuddin M., Ho N. N., Churakov A. V., Kuzmina L. G., Schultz A.J., Mason S. A.; Howard J.A.K., Lemenovskii D.A., Bau R., Lledos A., **Nikonov G. I.** (2007). "Syntheses and structures of asymmetric bis(silyl) niobocene hydrides" *Inorganic Chemistry*, 46, pp. 147-160.

**Hartman, J. Stephen;** Narayanan, Arjun; Rigby, Suzie S.; Sliwinski, David R.; Halden, Norman M. and Bain, Alex D. (2007). "Heterogeneities in Sol-Gel-Derived Paramagnetics-Doped Forsterites and Willemites. Electron Microprobe Analysis and Stretched-Exponential silicon-29 MAS NMR Spin-Lattice Relaxation Studies", *Canadian Journal of Chemistry*, volume 85, pp. 56-65.

**Li, Yuanlin**, "Strongly clean matrix rings over local rings", *Journal of Algebra*, 312 (2007), pp. 397-404.

**Marini, Z. A.** (2007). "Review of E. Elliott & R. Gordon (Eds.), *New Directions in Restorative Justice: Issues, Practice, Evaluation*." Cullompton, UK: Willan Publishing (2005). *Canadian Journal of Criminology and Criminal Justice*, 49(1), 127-128.

**O'Sullivan, Michael** and Vetter, Diane. (2007). "Teacher-initiated, student-centred global education in a K-8 school", *Journal of Teaching and Learning*, 4 (2), pp. 13-28

Stemmer, B., **Segalowitz, S. J.**, **Dywan, J.**, Panisset, M., & Melmed, C. (2007). "The error negativity in non-medicated and medicated patients with Parkinson's disease." *Clinical Neurophysiology*, 118, 1223-1229.

**Tossutti, Livianna S.**, Osvaldo Croci and Amy Verdun (May 2007) "National Threat Perception: Survey Results from Canada," in Emil Kirchner and James Sperling (eds), *Global Threat Perception: Elite Survey results from Canada, China, the European Union, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Russia, the United Kingdom and the United States*. Garnet Working Paper 18/07. Available at: [www.garnet-eu.org/fileadmin/documents/working\\_papers/1807/2%20Canada.pdf](http://www.garnet-eu.org/fileadmin/documents/working_papers/1807/2%20Canada.pdf)

## Classified

**For sale:** 1994 RV, Fleetwood Southwind 37y, Flagship Limited Edition. Fully loaded, excellent condition; 40,000 miles. Valued at \$36,000, asking \$32,000 obo. Call 905-356-3360 for more information.

**Housing wanted:** Two women faculty who reside in Toronto are looking for housing for the 2007-08 academic year within easy commute to Brock (walking, cycling, transit) to live several days during the week. Furnished or semi-furnished would be ideal, with access to garden, patio or view, and neighbourhood amenities. Space could be self-contained or in a shared house. We are looking for a place to share but could also go our separate ways. A house-sitting arrangement would be our dream! If you have a space to rent or share for one or both of us, please call: Janet Conway at 416-535-3218 or Margot Francis at 416-536-2203.



# BrockNews

WEDNESDAY, JULY 18, 2007

A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## Lightstone gears up for another year

A synchronized meshing of gears will move Brock University and the Niagara region forward in the next year, says Jack Lightstone, Brock President and Vice-Chancellor.

Reflecting on his first year in office — he was named to the position on Nov. 16, 2005, and was officially appointed on July 1, 2006 — Lightstone said a significant challenge facing the University is the development of strategies in which Brock's partners work in concert to reach shared objectives.

"I'm struck by the extent to which Brock, the Region of Niagara and Niagara College have to be understood as key to the cultural, social and economic well-being of the region," said Lightstone. "The gears have to mesh. Part of the gears belong to Brock, part to the community and part to Niagara College."

To create this 'transmission', said Lightstone, meetings have been taking place, and will continue indefinitely, with Terry Boak, Vice-President, Academic; Kim Meade, Associate Vice-President, Student Services; and their counterparts at Niagara College.

Their task, said Lightstone, is to find new ways to collaborate.

"The level of Brock's engagement in the community is now more fully understood by ourselves and our partners, and over the next year we'll see the mechanisms develop to move us forward," he said.

Looking into the future, Lightstone said a critical challenge is to address Brock's space deficit.

"We need better and more academic space, and we know this will not happen overnight," he said. "A great deal has been accomplished, though, to lay the groundwork to address the problem."

Brock, he explained, is lobbying the provincial government "with persistence and rigour, and we are making headway."

Fundraising will be another part of the financial solution. David Petis, newly appointed Vice-President, Advancement, will play a major role in this arena, he said.

Brock's budget exercises, Lightstone continued, will be tough again this year.

"By not allowing the University to slip into debt on the operational side, Brock will be in much better shape to use future government funding to develop instead of using it to pay off debt."

Lightstone concluded that the strength of Brock lies in its people— faculty, staff and students.

On the matter of faculty, Lightstone said he was struck, upon his arrival at Brock, by the reality of how many new faculty had been hired in the past six years.

"This represents tremendous transformative potential for Brock in the long term," said Lightstone. "It is very exciting and very energizing."

## Wellness Conference 2007



Brock faculty and staff enjoyed many aspects of the 2007 Wellness Conference — including the beautiful weather that accompanied the day.

## Grateful 'For You'

It was another terrific turnout at Brock University's 2007 Wellness Conference on June 20. The warm, sunny day was a perfect backdrop for staff and faculty to enjoy and learn from speakers, performers and each other. The new skills plus ideas generated that day are sure to resonate with each participant throughout the year.

An event like this takes months of planning and organizing by people and departments from across the University. Many thanks to all who worked so hard to ensure a successful and positive experience for their colleagues and co-workers. Special thanks to Custodial Services, Centre for the Arts, Tele-Communication and Network Services, Subcetera, Printing Services, Sodhexo, Parking Services, Facilities Management, Recreation Services, Research Support and Web

Services, HR/EHS and to Senior Administration for continued funding in support of this initiative.

The University is fortunate to have a wealth of knowledge and expertise available to us. While many of the workshop presenters came from off-campus, just as many were Brock staff and faculty willing to share their time and skills. To all of the presenters, thank you! Without your participation, such a tremendous selection of workshops would not have been possible.

Finally, whether it was your first Brock Wellness Conference or your eighth, thank you for taking the time to enjoy a day that was meant just FOR YOU! Check out the conference slideshow at [www.brocku.ca/wellnessconference](http://www.brocku.ca/wellnessconference). Hope to see you next year!

## Brock partners with Japanese universities

In a demonstration of its strong commitment to international collaboration, Brock University signed an agreement of co-operation with two universities in Tokyo, Japan, in early June.

Kim Meade, Associate Vice-President, Student Services, and Glen Irons, Director, International Market Development, represented Brock on the overseas mission.

"Exciting opportunities for faculty, students and administrators present themselves with these agreements," said Meade. "They will provide a basis for promoting international and intercultural understanding and will enrich the educational environments of all parties."

Brock and the two Japanese institutions — J. F. Oberlin University and Hosei University — agreed to pursue and promote the following initiatives:

- Exchange of faculty and staff for teaching, research and professional development
- Student exchange for academic programs, language and cultural experience
- Exchange visits of administrators

- Exchange of teaching and research resources
- Long-term English as a Second Language (ESL) students will receive academic credit at the home institution for each semester they study full-time ESL at Brock
- Further avenues of co-operation, such as short-term group exchanges, student internships and other related initiatives, as agreed upon by both parties

Irons said the intake of students from Oberlin University for long-term ESL programs will begin in Fall 2007, and the second intake arrives in May 2008. September and May will be the intake months in subsequent years.

The first intake of Hosei students, said Irons, will be in September 2008, with May and September intakes of about 20 to 30 students thereafter.

Brock already has an agreement with Hokkai-Gakuen Education Consortium in Sapporo, Japan. Groups of high school and university students have been arriving in March and September for the past seven years.

## Brock names new Vice-President, Advancement



David M. Petis

Brock University has announced that an established authority in campaign development has been named the University's new Vice-

President, Advancement. The announcement was made at the Board of Trustees annual general meeting in June.

David M. Petis will take over the newly created position early in August. As Vice-President, Advancement, he will oversee an integrated program of communications, services to alumni and friends of the University, and development and donor relations.

"Brock has developed very rapidly on many fronts in teaching, research, and community engagement," says Jack Lightstone, President and Vice-Chancellor of Brock. "Consequently, our needs for more material support for our activities and for our students are significant. David Petis brings his considerable experience to Brock to help us meet these challenges. I look forward to him joining our community."

Petis brings with him 16 years of development, institutional advancement, external relations and fundraising experience. He has held increasingly senior positions at the University of Western Ontario, York University, the University of British Columbia, and the University of Alberta where he has been the Assistant Dean of Engineering (External Relations) for the past seven years.

At the University of Alberta, he oversaw a team that raised \$90 million in private funds towards Faculty of Engineering initiatives, including infrastructure, student support, and building intellectual capacity through professor recruitment and retention. The impact of these efforts was multiplied through the receipt of leveraged federal and provincial funds, allowing the development of more than one million square feet of new engineering facilities.

Petis is enthusiastic about the move and notes: "Brock University is poised to bring together the considerable opportunities before it to move to a new level of interaction between its internal community and its alumni, donors, and corporate partners, as well as the people of the St. Catharines/Niagara region and beyond. I'm very excited about the challenge this new role presents."

## Spotlight on hygiene science

On June 21, approximately 120 public health professionals attended the "First Canadian Symposium on the Hygiene Profession and Science: An Integrated View," at Brock's Hamilton campus, hosted by the Stanier Institute at Brock and organized by Dawn Prentice, Assistant Professor of Nursing, Brock University and Dave Young, Manager of Health Protection and Promotion, Niagara Region Public Health.

Hygiene topics discussed at the symposium covered three main areas of concern: food and water quality, toxic materials in the environment and pathogen transmission and prevention. These subjects were presented from the viewpoint of education, research and practice involving manufacturers, service providers, public and environmental health inspectors, as well as hospital and clinical professionals.

Presentations delivered at the day-long

conference included, among others: Bjorn Christensen, Director of Health Protection and Promotion, Niagara Region Public Health, "Food and Water Safety"; Dr. Neil Rau, Halton Health Care Services, Oakville, Milton and Georgetown Hospitals, "Top Five Priority Areas for Hospital Infection Prevention"; Roger McLaughlin, Lecturer, Department of Chemistry, Brock University, "The Challenge of 'Arsenic Speciation' and the Determination of Lead"; and Dr. Syed Sattar, Centre for Research on Environmental Microbiology, University of Ottawa, "Using Microbicidal Chemicals in Infection Control."

For more information about upcoming lectures on hygiene science hosted by the Stanier Institute, please visit [www.stanier.ca](http://www.stanier.ca), or contact Dr. Morris Goldner, Visiting Professor in the Department of Community Health Sciences at [mgoldner@brocku.ca](mailto:mgoldner@brocku.ca)

## New software will be used to manage student recruitment

Brock recently announced that it has selected EDge Interactive, a leading provider of Constituent Relationship Management (CRM) solutions for higher education, to manage the University's undergraduate and graduate recruitment via their ezRecruit™ CRM web-based enrolment management software, which helps to streamline communication processes and workflows.

Using ezRecruit™, Brock staff will be able to create and deploy targeted recruiting campaigns and build one-to-one relationships with prospective students, applicants, high school counsellors, parents, and current students.

Built on proven best practices and using the latest in CRM technology, the EDge software will allow the University to identify highly qualified prospects, easily target, track and automate communications with various target segments and effectively manage workflows associated with the school's recruitment activities.

Key features of Brock's ezRecruit™ CRM system include: Undergraduate Student Portal, Graduate Student Portal, Admin Portal for staff with powerful back-end workflow automation and content

management tools, Career Services and Employer Portal for current students and prospective employers, and communications and portal functionality for parents and counsellors.

"ezRecruit™ will help us effectively manage the prospective student relationship at the undergraduate and graduate levels and substantially enhance our communication with students, parents and counsellors," says Kim Meade, Associate Vice President, Student Services. "The system's ability to allow us to communicate with and manage multiple audiences across multiple channels was an important reason for choosing ezRecruit™."

"Brock is one of our first clients to extend full system functionality to graduate students. We are very excited to be working with Brock and its experienced implementation team," says Chris Wilkins, President and CEO, EDge Interactive. "We are confident that our CRM solution will help Brock attract and nurture students from Canada and from around the world."

The ezRecruit™ CRM system at Brock will be launched this summer.

## The Learning Commons: Anything but common

*Planning for the Learning Commons has gained considerable momentum in recent months. With input from students, the Learning Commons partners and various advisory groups, a major feasibility study has been completed that provides an exciting design layout that incorporates and transforms the upper level of the former University Book Store and the main floor of the James A. Gibson Library. Floor plans and artist renderings are now on display in the Library. A series of profiles will appear in upcoming issues of Brock News explaining the benefits that the new Learning Commons will provide to various constituencies around the University.*

Imagine a quiet casual area where you can:

- Relax for a few moments, away from your office, where you can read your e-mail or browse the latest journals while you sip on a cup of coffee;
- Get help with that nagging tech question on your laptop;
- Meet informally with a student who needs writing help and introduce him or her to the Writing Center;
- Meet with colleagues over a cup of coffee to discuss projects or research
- Arrange a small meeting room to work with a study group of colleagues or graduate students;
- Arrange a meeting room with computer capabilities for your training session of 20 people;

Imagine a space that affords professors the ability to work in the face-to-face environment much in the same way that Web 2.0 is influencing our online learning capabilities — a shift from static information warehouses to an

emphasis on conversation and teamwork, building critical thinking skills through collaboration, and creating learning experiences in which user participation determines the content under discussion. Instruction in the 21st century will shift — and has already shifted — from the "stand and deliver" mode of instruction to "facilitating" student learning with tools that provide constant access to information resources. With readily available support for those tools, experts in locating information with those tools, and flexible accommodations for working together in small communities, the Learning Commons will provide professors with the facility to adapt our teaching methods to capture what is best about learning communities and match that to the learning needs of our 21st century learners!

To learn more about the Learning Commons, to view floor plans, or to read about library services during the renovations, please visit: [www.library.brocku.ca/learningcommons/](http://www.library.brocku.ca/learningcommons/)

## Historical Niagara digitized

Map Library staff have created web access to two popular collections: Niagara historical maps and 1921 air photos. As part of a collection development project to increase Niagara map content, a collection of maps acquired from Library and Archives Canada has been made accessible with zoom and pan viewing. The 1921 air photos series, an existing paper collection that focuses on the old canal, was scanned and also converted for web viewing. Both projects can be accessed from the Map Library web page at [www.brocku.ca/maplibrary](http://www.brocku.ca/maplibrary)

The Map Library is offering two information sessions that will demonstrate these projects, and also provide an overview of its collections and services including other web features; a demonstration of geospatial data resources; and Geographic Information Systems use in teaching and research across campus. Anyone interested is invited to attend either Thursday, July 26, 10 to 11 a.m. or Tuesday, July 31, from 2 to 3 p.m. in the Library e-classroom, TH 253.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR FALL 2007 REGISTRATION

#### Tuition waiver changes are coming

Previously, all tuition calculations for education waivers have been done manually. Brock's ITS department has been working on automating the tuition waiver process and hopes to have it completed for Fall/Winter 2007 registration. Once it is completed, the system will automatically deduct the tuition fees and leave only the ancillary fees for all students marked with a "tuition waiver" code on their account.

Tuition Waiver forms are available in Human Resources.

- How will these changes affect you? Your account should be marked for tuition waiver before you register
- Tuition waiver requests should be submitted to Human Resources at least one week prior to registration to ensure processing is completed in time
- You will be expected to follow the same payment guidelines as all other students
- Ancillary fees should be paid by Aug. 22 for all courses in which you registered
- You will face the same financial consequences of non-payment as other students
- Deferral charge of \$75 may be assessed to students who have not paid in full by Aug. 22
- Interest charges of 1.5 per cent per month will be charged monthly beginning Nov. 16
- Deferral, interest and late registration charges will not be reversed
- You will need to opt out of BUSU Health and Dental Insurance by their deadline
- BUSU charges will apply to all students who do not opt out by the deadline

Will I be able to tell if my dependant has paid on time?

- Privacy regulations allow staff to release information to the student only
- Your dependant can complete an Authorization for Release of Information form which you can find on the Student Accounts page of the Financial and Administrative Services website:

[www.brocku.ca/finance/studentfinance/](http://www.brocku.ca/finance/studentfinance/)

## Professor's book explores gaming in the classroom

*Playing to Learn: Video Games in the Classroom*, one of first practical resources that helps teachers integrate the study of video games into the classroom, was recently released by Teacher Ideas Press.

Written by David Hutchison, an Associate Professor in Brock's Faculty of Education, the 256-page book features more than 100 video game activity ideas appropriate for Grades 4 to 12. Numerous subject areas are addressed in the book, including language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, history, geography, health and physical education, drama, music, visual arts, computers, and business.

The book is augmented with several discussion articles contributed by scholars, journalists, and bloggers who routinely write about video games.

Also included are dozens of activity modification and extension ideas, Web links, data tables, and photos.

The book's official website ([www.playingtolearn.org](http://www.playingtolearn.org)) features summaries of every activity, sample pages from the book, plus a regularly updated list of additional activity ideas.

## Partners provide enhanced learning opportunities for MBA students

Certified Management Accountants (CMA) of Ontario recently announced on June 27 that the Master of Business Administration degree (MBA) offered by the Faculty of Business at Brock is now a CMA combined program. This is the 10th combined Masters/MBA program offered by CMA Ontario with leading universities in the province.

Brock students will now be able to fulfil the CMA "Strategic Leadership Program" component of the designation, when they complete all CMA-required courses offered within the University's MBA program. To earn their CMA designation, Brock MBA graduates will then need to complete the CMA entrance and case exam, CMA board report and presentation, and meet the two-year work experience component.

"I have seen over the past couple of years a huge growth in the number of MBA students looking to do the CMA designation, as they recognize its importance in a competitive marketplace," says Jean MacKinnon, Regional Director of Marketing and Communications, CMA Ontario.

On June 27, CMA Ontario also announced its accreditation of Brock's Bachelor of Accounting program.

The program's success in meeting the demanding program requirements set out by CMA Canada is a testament to the exceptional ability of the Faculty of Business. As one of only nine universities to hold the CMA accreditation status, Brock joins an exclusive group of universities.

Students who complete their university degree and successfully pass the CMA Ontario course requirements offered by the Faculty are now be eligible to be exempt from the CMA entrance exam. This select group of students will now enter directly into the "Strategic Leadership Program", the fourth and last step required to obtain the CMA designation.

"We are delighted that CMA Ontario has accredited our Bachelor of Accounting program, because a growing number of our graduates are deciding to pursue the designation after graduation," says Martin Kusy, Dean, Faculty of Business. "This recognition will speed that process to the benefit of our graduates and employers alike."

For more information, please visit the Certified Management Accountants of Ontario or the Faculty of Business website: [www.cma-ontario.org](http://www.cma-ontario.org) or [www.bus.brocku.ca](http://www.bus.brocku.ca)



# Mediatalk

People in the news

**Zopito Marini**, Professor of Child and Youth Studies, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a June 9 Spectrum feature article, "Moulding minds; Zopito Marini sees himself like a Sherpa, helping his students scale new academic heights." The extensive article touches upon Marini's development as an academic and university instructor, as well as his receiving a 2006 Teaching Award from the Ontario Confederation of University Faculty Associations.

**David Brown**, Associate Professor of Tourism and Environment was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a June 12 story about environmental sustainability and reducing the carbon footprint, entitled "Save energy, save the climate," which is part of the newspaper's ongoing "Footprint on Niagara" environmental series.

**Maxim Voronov**, Assistant Professor of Marketing, International Business and Strategy, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a June 12 article, "Wine Industry star power: who you gonna call?," about comedian/actor/musician Dan Ackroyd's plans to establish a new estate winery in Niagara bearing his name. In the article, which was also reprinted in the *Niagara Falls Review* ("From Ghostbuster to wine taster") and *Welland Tribune* ("Ghostbuster wine?"), Voronov notes that attaching a celebrity to a product or company can be a double-edged sword.

**Ann Marie Guilmette**, Associate Professor of Recreation and Leisure Studies, conducted 11 telephone interviews on June 15 with CBC Radio stations in Thunder Bay, Victoria, Charlottetown, Whitehorse, Cape Breton, Vancouver, Toronto, Regina, Montreal, Windsor and Winnipeg, and an interview with CBC Radio in Sudbury on June 16 on the topic of children's play. Guilmette was also interviewed about the same topic in the following Brazilian publications: *Vega Magazine* (February 2007 - "Crianca feliz, feliz a brincar,") and *Claudia Bebê* (April 2007 - "Brincadeira".)

**Tony Volk**, Assistant Professor of Child and Youth Studies, recently participated in the following media interviews about his research on parenting and infant facial

cues, with all but the AM 900 CHML interview emphasizing fathers in connection with Father's Day: *Toronto Star* (June 12 - "Who's Your Daddy?"); *St. Catharines Standard* (June 16 - "When Being A Dad Just Comes Naturally"); AM 900 CHML Hamilton (June 15 - "Morning Show"); AM 610 CKTB St. Catharines (June 15); and CHTV News Hamilton (June 15 - "CH Live".)

**Alun Hughes**, Associate Professor of Geography, was interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a June 14 article about the first published sketch and eyewitness account of Niagara Falls contained in the book - "A New Discovery of a Vast Country in America" - published in 1698, which chronicles the voyage of Father Louis Hennepin, a French missionary and adventurer who explored the Great Lakes region of Canada in the 1670s. In the article, Hughes notes that while it is not certain who first discovered Niagara Falls, Hennepin was certainly the first to write about it and use the modern spelling of "Niagara" in his book. The article was picked up by the Canadian Press and published in newspapers across the country.

**Antonia Kronlund**, Assistant Professor of Marketing, International Business and Strategy, was recently interviewed by the *Globe and Mail* for a June 20 story about funding that she and fellow researcher Isabelle Lesschaeve, Director, CCOVI, received from the Canadian Foundation for Innovation to study consumer behaviour and preference, by gaining an understanding of sensory and non-sensory factors affecting Canadian consumer perception of wine quality. The article - "Why you drink what you do (apart from the obvious reason)" - focuses on the creation of the new consumer behaviour laboratory at Brock and notes: "Part psychology lab, part focus-group boardroom and part stage set, the facility, which was launched last week with a \$69,000 federal grant, will enable researchers to create a variety of ambiances, including a barrel-cellar tasting room, candle-lit restaurant and liquor store."

Kronlund and Lesschaeve were also previously interviewed by the *Hamilton Spectator* for an article on the same topic that appeared in the newspaper's June 12 issue, "New lab tests wine theory: taste vs. label."

**Dale Bradley**, Assistant Professor of Communication, Popular Culture and Film, was interviewed by the Canadian Press

for a news story about depictions of cyber-technology and computers in movies and television, entitled "Cyber-tech at home in Hollywood storytelling." The article was published in various Canadian newspapers, including: the *Timmins Daily Press* (June 22); the *Grand-Prairie Daily Herald-Tribune* (June 22); the *Manctan Times & Transcript* (June 23); and the *Kelowna Okanagan Sunday* (June 24).

**Catherine Chaput**, Assistant Professor of English Language and Literature, was interviewed by the *Calgary Herald* for a June 17 story, "War of the Words; Why polemics are taking over the publishing world," about the growing trend of political debate in popular culture. The article was also printed in the June 22 edition of the *Edmonton Journal*, "Rabble-rousers find a ready market."

**Dawn Zinga**, Associate Professor of Child and Youth Studies, was interviewed by the *Welland Tribune* for a June 23 article - "Brock research looks at kids' perception of multiculturalism" - about a study that she is currently conducting in conjunction with other researchers at the University's Lifespan Research Development Centre.

**Charles Burton**, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science, recently participated in the following media interviews and appearances:

- interviewed by *Macleans* (July 9) - "Talking to a Great Wall: Canada's human rights dialogue with China has yielded nothing"
- interviewed by *Singtoo Daily* (June 12) - "Request for financial aid in exchange for sensitive topics, China's human rights have a price, Canada plans to suspend the Dialogue" and *The Australian* about June 11 *Globe and Mail* article that discusses his report for the Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, "China wanted cash to discuss human rights."

**Gary Pickering**, Chair and Associate Professor of Biological Sciences/Wine Science was interviewed by the *Globe and Mail* for a June 27 story about the best temperature at which to serve wine, entitled "Refined by degrees." In the article, Pickering provides useful tips on how to get the most out of your wine-sipping experience by adjusting the temperature, depending on the type and quality of the wine - "If you have a flabby red wine, cool it."

## In memoriam



Bluma Appel

One of Brock University's greatest supporters, Bluma Appel, passed away on Sunday, July 15, 2007. Appel was a former member of the Brock Board of Trustees, from 1988 to 1994, and was recently presented with an honorary Doctor of Laws degree at the University's 2007 Spring Convocation.

She was recognized for her dedication and distinguished contribution to the arts in Canada through the development of the cultural sector as a volunteer, board member, fundraiser and philanthropist.

During her convocation address to graduates from the Faculty of Humanities and Concordia Lutheran Seminary, she noted: "Enter every door that is open to you. You can always walk out. And it might never open again. I spent my life looking for doors. Some I entered tentatively - others enthusiastically. A locked door particularly intrigued me so I never gave up looking for the key. Behind every door I found some kind of treasure that added up to the mosaic of my life."

It is hard to imagine the arts in Canada without the contributions of Appel. She was an inspiration to all who value culture and aspire to the level of commitment and engagement in the arts that she demonstrated. She will be sadly missed.

## Brock Briefs

### Master of Education thesis defence

Georgia Georgiou, Master of Education student, will present her thesis entitled "The Landscape of Work Engagement in Brain Injury Rehabilitation" on Tuesday, July 24, at 2 p.m. in WH 147. External Examiner: Frances Owen; Thesis Supervisor: Coral Mitchell; Committee Members: Xiaobin Li and John Novak. Chair of the Examining Committee: TBA. All are welcome to attend.

### MA thesis defence

Psychology student Kendra Thomson, will defend her thesis entitled "Sensitivity to differences between posed and genuine facial expressions: Are children easily fooled?" on Thursday, July 26 at 10 a.m. in Plaza room 600F. Thesis supervisor: Cathy Mondloch; External Examiner: Mel Rutherford, (McMaster University). Everyone welcome.

### Thanks from Pat Docherty

Thank you to my many friends at Brock University for their good wishes and generous gifts on the occasion of my retirement, and a special thanks to all who went out of their way to attend my party at the Cat's Caboose. Also a special thanks to all my colleagues in Recreation Services for organizing the party, the T-shirts were awesome!. I have great memories of my years at Brock, but as time moves on, so must I.

Thank you, Sincerely Pat Docherty

### Bob Rossini retirement

After 34 years of dedicated service as Head, Circulation Librarian in the James A. Gibson Library, Bob Rossini is retiring. Please join his colleagues in wishing Bob a fond farewell on Wednesday, Aug. 1, in Pond Inlet from 2 to 4 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 and include contribution to a gift and a reception (\$15/food, \$5/gift).

If you wish to attend, please contact Diane Bateman at ext. 3964, or Elaine Jaeger at ext. 3963.

### New exhibit at Rodman Hall

A new exhibit entitled "Death Is In Trouble Now: The Sculpture of Mark Adair," curated by Patrick Jenkins, runs from July 8 to Sept. 16 at Rodman Hall Arts Centre, 109 St. Paul Crescent. For more information, visit [www.brocku.ca/rodmanhall](http://www.brocku.ca/rodmanhall)

## Events

**Niagara Symphony:** Welland Recreational Waterway Arts and Culture Series presents *Luminoqua* - featuring the Niagara Symphony. A musical celebration combining the elements of fire and water, in commemoration of the City of Welland's 150th anniversary. Pods of fire will float in a laid-out design along the recreational waterway, while the sweet strains of music fill the air, compliments of the Niagara Symphony Orchestra. Performances take place on Friday, July 20, and Friday, Aug. 17, at 8:30 p.m., in Merritt Park, Welland. Full orchestra under the musical direction of Daniel Swift will perform. Concerts begin at dusk. Grandstand Seating: Reserved Seating: \$20 FREE Admission to Grass Seating Areas Tickets available at:

- The Niagara Symphony Administration Office, 31 James St., St. Catharines, telephone 905-687-4993
- Welland Pelham Chamber of Commerce,
- Seaway Mall Customer Service and Venture Niagara

For more information, please call 905-735-1700, ext. 2777 or visit [www.Luminoqua.com](http://www.Luminoqua.com)  
Brought to you by the Welland Recreational Canal Corporation.

## Classified

**Lease transfer:** 2007 Volkswagen Golf City, black, standard. KM allowed: 20,000 km per year (current: 13,000 km). Monthly payment: \$230.71 (before taxes). Lease due date: Jan. 15, 2010. Financed through VW Finance. Call 905-734-9834 (evenings) for more information.

**For sale:** 2003 Mazda Miata, driven only during the summer, approximately 40,000 km. For more information, contact Michael at 905-353-1338.

**For rent:** Beautiful, century character home situated in prestigious downtown St. Catharines. Three bedrooms with full walk up, finished third-level attic. Fully landscaped, walking distance to Montebello Park, seven kms from Brock, transportation steps away, with easy access to hiking and mountain biking trails. Ideal for visiting and/or relocating Brock employees. If interested in a longer-term lease agreement, please call Tammy at 905-641-0188.

**For rent:** Quiet apartment in downtown St. Catharines' Yates Street heritage district. Hardwood floors in bedroom, living/dining room, and winterized sun-room/study; spacious eat-in kitchen; claw-foot tub in bathroom. The apartment is a character home on a tree-lined street and is minutes from Montebello Park. \$840, some utilities included; air-conditioning extra. Available Sept. 1 (or earlier). Please call 905-684-6386 for more information.

**Wanted to rent:** New postdoctoral research associate requires one bedroom with livingroom apartment starting in September 2007. For more information, e-mail: [mhaque@uark.edu](mailto:mhaque@uark.edu) or phone (479) 251-1520 or (479) 575-3287.

## Co-op has moved

New reception location in  
MacKenzie Chown A Block Room 336  
[www.brocku.ca/co-op](http://www.brocku.ca/co-op)

# Faculty and Staff

## APPLIED LINGUISTICS

**Richard Welland** presented a paper entitled "Amer-Ind gesture comprehension by older adults with Alzheimer disease" at Integrating Gestures, the third international conference of the International Society for Gesture Studies (ISGS). It was held at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. from June 18-21. Attendees at the conference represented a number of countries, including Canada, France, Germany, Holland, Italy, Japan, and the U.S.

## CAREER SERVICES

**Lisa Kuiper**, along with Janet Forfar and Monique Morin of Niagara College, gave a presentation entitled "Is There Life After Career Fairs? Meeting Employer and Student Needs in a Mid-Sized Market" at the Canadian Association for Career Educators and Employers held at Queen's University, in Kingston, Ont., on June 4.

## CLASSICS

**Fanny Dolansky** returned to Trent University (her alma mater) in Peterborough, Ont., on March 6 to deliver the annual Alumni Lecture. Dolansky spoke on "Women, Religion, and the Welfare of the Roman Family." The lecture was hosted by the Trent Alumni Association.

**Danielle Parks** presented a paper jointly with Tom Davis entitled "Kourion Mapping Project," on June 23 at the Annual Cyprus American Archaeological Research Institute Workshop, in Nicosia, Cyprus.

## COMMUNITY HEALTH SCIENCES

**Martin Tammemagi** was an invited speaker at the Cancer Disparities Symposium held at Georgetown University June 11, in Washington, D.C. His presentation was titled "Co-morbidity and Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Cancer Outcomes: Part of a Complex Problem."

**Dan Malleck** presented a paper entitled "Deviance, Disorder and Drunks: Liquor Control and the Reconceptualization of Drinking: 1927-1944" at the annual meeting of the Canadian Historical Association, in Saskatoon, Sask. on May 30.

## ECONOMICS

**Steven Renzetti** was recently appointed to a three-year term as Associate Editor of the *Journal of Great Lakes Research* and was appointed to the Council of Canadian Academies' Expert Panel on Groundwater. The CCA was created in 2006 by the Royal Society of Canada, the Canadian Academy of Engineering and the Canadian Institute of Academic Medicine.

**Steven Renzetti** also recently presented the following papers:

- "Micro-economic analysis of the factors influencing water recirculation decisions by Canadian manufacturing firms" at the 60th annual Canadian Water Resources Association conference, Saskatoon, Sask., on June 28 (joint with Joel Bruneau and Michel Villeneuve).
- "Alternative strategies for modelling irrigation water demands and their implications for water management" at the seventh annual "Water, Agriculture and Climate" Symposium, Brace Centre for Water Resources, McGill University, Montreal, Que., on May 24.

## GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES, FACULTY OF EDUCATION

**John Novak** was an invited presenter to the Stafford Headteachers in Stafford, England. In addition, he also presented to the Lincolnshire Heads and the Lincoln Minster School and the Specialist Schools and Academies in London. His presentations dealt with creating, sustaining, and surpassing inviting schools.

## MARKETING, INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND STRATEGY

- Maxim Voronov** and **Dirk De Clerq** recently presented the following academic papers:
- "Re-Writing Entrepreneurship as a Set of Discursive Practices" at the second Conference on Rhetoric and Narratives in Management Research," held in May at ESADE Business School, Barcelona, Spain.
  - "Symbolic Value Creation in Wine Industry" at Bacchus: An International Interdisciplinary Conference on Wine, held at Brock in June.

## MATHEMATICS

**H. E. Bell** attended the Workshop on General Algebra at the Tampere University of Technology, Tampere, Finland, from June 7-10. He presented a paper entitled "Extremely noncommutative elements in rings."

A number of representatives from the Department of Mathematics were present at the Ontario Association for Mathematics Education (OAME) Annual Meeting held in Barrie, Ont., from May 3 to 5. More than 800 high school and elementary school mathematics teachers attended the meeting. **Chantal Buteau**, **Dot Miners** and two senior MICA students heading for a teaching career represented the department at the exhibition booth. **Buteau** also presented a scientific popularization paper entitled "Mathematics and Music."

The Department of Mathematics also hosted the OAME Golden Section Annual Meeting on April 26. The event brought together some 100 high school mathematics teachers for plenary conferences and hands-on workshops around the theme "Visualizing Mathematics." In addition to overseeing the local arrangements, the Department contributed with two workshops entitled "x = Art (Images From Encoded Mathematical Systems)" by **Bill Ralph** and "Recreational Maths Activities: Let's Play!" co-ordinated by **Chantal Buteau** and Jennifer Corbett. These events reinforce the Department of Mathematics' involvement in mathematics education.

**Thomas Wolf** gave a talk at the Computer Games Workshop 2007 on June 16 in Amsterdam, which took place along the 15th World Computer-Chess Championship, and the 12th Computer Olympiad. He presented the joint paper "Checking Life-and-Death Problems in Go" co-authored by undergraduate student Lei Shen.

**Henryk Fuks** presented an invited talk entitled "Enumeration of number conserving cellular automata" at the first Canadian Discrete and Algorithmic Mathematics Conference on May 28, in Banff, Alta. The talk was a part of the mini-symposium "Discrete Dynamical Systems over Graphs."

## NURSING

**Linda Ritchie** and **Janet Matthews** presented a poster entitled "Smoking Cessation and Health Promotion: Implications for Nursing Curricula" at the 19th International Union for Health Promotion and Education Conference, held June 10 to 15 in Vancouver. B. C.

## PHILOSOPHY

**Christine Daigle** presented the paper "The théâtre de Sartre: Morale de la liberté, morale nietzschéenne" at the annual meeting of the GES (Groupe d'études sartriennes), in Paris, Sorbonne, on June 22.

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND KINESIOLOGY

The following papers were recently presented at the Canadian Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Conference, held in Moncton, N.B., in May:

- "Comprehensive School health in Canada: What's the CATCH"? by co-authors C. Costas-Bradstreet, **K. R. Lodewyk** and **Nancy Francis**.
- "'Children who drill, seldom are ill': Fitness, movement and sport: Historical binaries since 1930 in Ontario elementary physical education curriculum" by **Nancy Francis**, co-authored by **Anna Lathrop**. The paper was presented as part of a forum entitled "Conflicting discourses in physical education: Binaries and mergers," led by **N. Francis**, **T. Hopper**, **J. Kentel**, **K. R. Lodewyk** and **Chunlei Lu** at the Council of University Professors' Researchers.

**Nancy Francis** also presented a paper co-authored with **Anna Lathrop** entitled "'Here we go round the mulberry bush' - From singing games to hip-hop: Problematizing 'progress' in the dance curriculum from 1900 to the present," at the National Dance Association Pedagogy Conference, held in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., in May.

**Kelly Lockwood** was a keynote speaker at the National Hockey League's 2007 SPHEM/PHATS Annual Meeting in Phoenix, Ariz., held June 20-25. The title of her presentation was "Skating Mechanics and Beyond: Changing the Landscape of Hockey Development." **Lockwood** was also invited to present at the 2007 National Sports Training Camp on June 13 in Toronto. She presented an overview of skate sharpening research conducted in the On Ice Performance Laboratory at Brock University. The title of her presentation was "Skating Mechanics and Beyond: How Important is the Point of Contact?"

## POLITICAL SCIENCE

**Patrick Robson** presented on the topic "Sustainability Planning in a Bi-national Region" at the International Joint Commission's 2007 Great Lakes Biennial Meeting and Conference in Chicago, Ill., on June 8.

## PRE-SERVICE EDUCATION, FACULTY OF EDUCATION

**Rodger Beatty** was guest conductor and workshop clinician with the George Kennedy Public School Junior Choir from Georgetown (Halton District School Board), Winger Public School Junior Choir (District School Board of Niagara), and massed choirs held on June 7 at Winger Public School, Winger, Ont.

## PSYCHOLOGY

**Sid Segalowitz** and graduate student **Xin Zheng** presented their work "Even lowest level semantic challenge alters cortical activation in lexical decision: A High-Density ERP Study of Lexical Access" at the TENNET meeting on neuropsychology in Montreal, Que. from June 21 to 23.

**Carolyn Hafer** presented an invited talk entitled "From victims to villains: Research on the functions and manifestations of the need to believe in a just world" at the University of Auckland, New Zealand, in February; and at Victoria University in Wellington, New Zealand, in April.

## RESEARCH SERVICES AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

**Michael Owen** was an invited speaker to the Second International Symposium on Clinical Trials, held at the Samsung Medical Center, Seoul, Korea, from June 7-8. His paper was on "Issues for Institutional Review Boards: An International Perspective."

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# BrockNews

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2007

A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## South Africa graduate student first in partnership



Anitha Jacobs and Oolana Mogadime, Associate Professor, Graduate and Undergraduate Studies

North-West University in South Africa has been one of Brock's partner institutions since 2005. Although a relatively new partnership, it certainly has been a very active one in terms of student and faculty participation.

For the past two years, senior administrators, faculty members and students from both universities have participated in institutional visits, research collaboration, project development and academic internships. In 2006 and 2007, two Master of Education students from Brock were able to take part in rewarding 16-week internships at North-West University, through the Student for Development Program funded by Canadian International Development Agency.

Most recently, in February 2007, Anitha Jacobs, a Master of Education student, was selected as the first student from North-West University to come to Brock for a 16-week internship experience. Her internship was made possible by a pilot project launched by Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada (DFAIT).

The goal of the pilot project *Commonwealth Africa Graduate Students Exchange 2007* was to encourage universities to develop or expand their graduate level exchange programs involving African Commonwealth countries and to provide opportunity for developing-country students to participate in existing exchange programs.

As the counterpart Canadian study to that which was conducted by a Brock student during their internship at North-West University in South

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## University of Buffalo administrators visit Brock



President and Vice-Chancellor of Brock University, Jack N. Lightstone, and Associate Vice-President, Research and International Development, Michael Owen, recently met with representatives from the University at Buffalo (UB), The State University of New York, to discuss opportunities for collaborative research and scholarly initiatives between the two universities. Pictured, from left: Stephen Dunnett, Vice Provost for International Education, UB; Munroe Eagles, Associate Dean for Graduate Studies, UB; Jack N. Lightstone; John B. Simpson, President, UB; and Michael Owen.

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## Brock Works will be a real picnic

All members of the Brock community are invited to come out and enjoy some sunshine, fun and friendship at the Brock Family Picnic being held in Jubilee Court on Thursday, Aug. 16 from 12 noon to 2 p.m. The Brock Works New Faculty and Staff Orientation culminates with the Brock Family Picnic open to all Brock faculty, staff, retirees and their families. Come and connect with friends old and new while you enjoy a delicious barbecue lunch. Show your ticket stub and swim for FREE from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Eleanor Misener Aquatic Centre in the Walker Complex.

Buy your tickets in advance to enjoy the food, entertainment, and chance to win some fantastic prizes. Tickets are available for \$5 per adult and \$4 per child at the Centre for the Arts box office from August 1 to 15.

This event is hosted by the Brock University Health and Well-being Advisory Committee and sponsored by Human Resources/Environment, Health and Safety.

For more information on the New Faculty and Staff orientation, please visit [www.brocku.ca/oehs/safety/2007\\_orientation.php](http://www.brocku.ca/oehs/safety/2007_orientation.php)

## 2007-08 tuition fee structure amended

Brock University has amended the school's recently approved 2007-08 tuition fee structure so that it will now only apply to new incoming Year 1 students for the 2007-08 academic year.

The implementation for continuing students is postponed until 2008-09. The delay in implementation will provide continuing students at the University with the opportunity to plan their program of study and assess any potential financial impact a year before the fee change takes effect.

In March, the Brock University Board of Trustees approved changes in the tuition fee structure that would take effect during the 2007-08 academic year. Similar to full-time tuition fee policies and models at other Ontario universities and colleges, the flat fee is a full-time fee equivalent to the rate of 5.0 credits for all undergraduate students taking a credit load of 4.0 to 5.0 credits in the Fall/Winter session.

Undergraduate students would continue to pay on a per-credit basis for credit loads less than 4.0 or more than 5.0 and those in the Spring/Summer session as the typical credit load is less than 4.0 credits. The "flat fee" terminology was adopted to avoid confusion with the full-time enrolment definition of 3.0 credits.

Further details regarding tuition fee information are included in the undergraduate web calendar and the online registration guides. Frequently asked questions have been developed and are available on the Registrar's Office and Student Accounts Finance Office websites - [www.brocku.ca/finance/studentfinance/undergraduate/faq.php#](http://www.brocku.ca/finance/studentfinance/undergraduate/faq.php#) TuitionFees [www.brocku.ca/registrar/feesfacts.php](http://www.brocku.ca/registrar/feesfacts.php)

## BrockDays 2007

### A community and homecoming celebration

Plan to be part of the Brock Days tradition as the University holds its annual community and homecoming celebration. Enjoy the best Brock and Niagara has to offer as once again the University partners with the award-winning Niagara Wine Festival.

Get an early start on Brock Days by playing in the 12th annual Brock University Alumni Association Golf Tournament on Saturday, Sept. 15. Fine Food, Fine Wine, Fine Arts, will take place on Thursday, Sept. 20 at Rodman Hall and will feature some of the region's finest cuisine and wines. The annual Kick-Off BBQ and Grape Stomp will be held on Friday, Sept. 21 in Jubilee Court and beginning Sept. 25, CCOVI presents three Lunch 'n' Learn opportunities.

Brock's Centre for the Arts presents "Classic Albums Live" ... Bruce Springsteen - *Born to Run* - note for

note, cut for cut on Thursday, Sept. 27 and BUSU will host a concert in Isaac's on Friday, Sept. 28 during the lunch hour.

Of course Montebello Park will once again be the venue for a number of activities for Brock alumni and friends to reconnect and a number of reunions have also been planned for grads. This year, a very special event will occur on Friday, Sept. 28 - Tribute! A Brock Days Tradition will recognize Jamie Fleming, Director of Residences at Brock University for 25 years. Be a part of this fun evening as we recognize Jamie's contributions to Brock - in seriousness and in jest.

There are many other events planned throughout the 10-day celebration - visit [www.brocku.ca/brockdays](http://www.brocku.ca/brockdays) for updates on events and activities.

## Welch Hall expansion scheduled for construction

Internationally acclaimed architects Diamond & Schmitt of Toronto are proceeding with design development of an addition to the south side of Welch Hall for the Faculty of Education. There will be four floors of faculty and administrative offices surrounding an atrium with student lounge space. Design

priorities will be naturally lit amicable spaces, low energy consumption and an enhancement to the existing building. The gross floor area will be 19,000 square feet and the project budget is \$8 million. Construction will begin in the spring of 2008 with occupancy planned for August 2009.

**Save the date!**  
Opening of Term will take place on Wednesday, Aug. 29. Watch your mailbox for your invitation.

## CTLET offers resources for faculty and instructors

Throughout August, the Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies (CTLET) will be offering a variety of WebCT workshops. Faculty and Instructors can register online by visiting [www.brocku.ca/ctlet](http://www.brocku.ca/ctlet) or by calling ext. 3933.

### Introduction to WebCT Tools

This hands-on session combines an overview of the available tools in WebCT and lots of practice time to build your course at your own pace and according to your own learning objectives. Become familiar with basic WebCT tools such as file uploads, discussions, mail, and the WebCT calendar. If you're new to WebCT, or have been considering using it for a while, now is the time to discover how you can enhance your course by using the web.

### \*Using WebCT

WebCT is a complex and powerful tool that can enhance your teaching and boggle your mind. This workshop will help you move on from the basics of adding files and e-mail towards new ways to interact with students, create assignments, and use your time more efficiently.

### Working with Marks and Markers

The recent introduction of Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act to Brock has many instructors thinking about how they handle and distribute marks. This workshop will provide an opportunity to get your related privacy questions answered by Brock's privacy officer, Marion Hansen, and about working with marks and marker/graders/TAs in WebCT. This workshop will demonstrate how the WebCT Grade Book can be used as a simple and robust way to collaborate on marking and distribute marks in a secure and private manner. Please bring your Brock e-mail username and password and any relevant course content with you. \*The latter half of the workshop will provide a hands-on opportunity for you to build your course.

### Summer Instructional Skills Workshops-Faculty and Teaching Assistants

This summer, both Brock faculty and TAs will have an opportunity to learn about the theory and practice of teaching learners in a supportive collegial environment by participating in an Instructional Skills Workshop (ISW). The ISW is a 25-year-old, peer-based, experiential instructional development program, designed to enhance the teaching effectiveness of both new and veteran instructors through teaching practice and feedback in small groups. The summer sessions are three full days and will be held on the following dates:

Brock Faculty ISW: Aug. 27 to 29

Brock TA ISW: Sept. 5 to 7

An additional faculty and teaching assistant ISW will be scheduled in December 2007.

For more information or to register, please call ext. 3933.

For full information on additional resources for teaching and learning at Brock, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/ctlet](http://www.brocku.ca/ctlet)

## Scholarship established in appreciation of professor's dedication



Professor Mohammed Dore and Roelof Makken

A Brock University graduate has shown his gratitude to one of his former professors with the establishment of a scholarship named after him. Roelof Makken (BA, economics/BAdmin, '85), principal of his own firm Tern Analytics Inc. and a member of Brock's Board of Trustees, has established the Mohammed Dore Graduate Scholarship, named for Professor Mohammed Dore, Economics.

"I was surprised and almost shocked when I was informed of the scholarship at a special lunch with Dr. (Terry) Boak (Vice-President, Academic)," said Dore. "But as my Dean (David Siegel, Faculty of Social Sciences) says, it provides a capstone to my long teaching career. It is good to know that my teaching made such a difference to one bright student, who has decided to thank me in this special way. The scholarship is in perpetuity and so it will be there for students long after I am gone."

The first scholarship will be presented in 2008 to a graduate student who is actively involved in research and other activities in the fields of economics or business. If there are multiple candidates, preference will be given to a bilingual student.

Dore encouraged Makken to attend graduate school after he earned his undergraduate degrees instead of leaving academia to enter the workforce. Dore even picked out the graduate school — the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven in Belgium.

"My education at Brock had me well prepared for Leuven," said Makken. "Since graduating from university, I have had a fantastic professional life. I realized if it hadn't been for Professor Dore, all this might not have happened."

"I have a tremendous admiration for people who go out of their way to make a difference," he continued. "I felt that Professor Dore's extraordinary lectures, mentoring and enthusiasm should be recognized."

The endowment to fund the scholarship is \$50,000. Makken contributed \$25,000, an amount that was matched by the Ontario government.

"I hope that others who have had an extraordinary time at Brock and have reaped the benefits of a terrific education will also contemplate helping the University," said Makken.

## 2007 Lou Cahill Scholarship winner announced

Jeff Nicholls of Ridgeway, Ont., is the 2007 winner of the first Lou Cahill Scholarship in Communications, awarded by Brock University. The scholarship is awarded to a communications student in the final year of undergraduate study for academic excellence, community involvement and participation in charitable activities.

The scholarship was established by OEB Enterprise, Toronto, to honour Lou Cahill, the founder of OEB International, Canada's longest-operating public relations firm and a subsidiary of the Enterprise Canada Group. In his early 90s, Cahill is an icon in the Canadian public relations industry and continues to act as a mentor to the staff of OEB on a regular basis.

"We are delighted that Jeff Nicholls is the first recipient of the Lou Cahill Scholarship in Communications," says Barbara Fox, OEB Enterprise President and Chief Executive Officer. "Jeff exemplifies the values of academic excellence, commitment to community and voluntarism that are so important to Lou and to this company."

Nicholls was the recipient of a number of awards, including the Distinguished Graduating Student Award and the Bohdan Szuchewycz Prize in Communications Studies. He

was also a member of the winning team in this year's Terry O'Malley Advertising Competition. He holds the highest grade average over his four years in the Communications, Popular Culture and Film Studies Program.

He has served as President of the Brock University Communications, Popular Culture and Film Society, overseeing finance, advertising, fundraising, membership recruitment and community service for the Society. He co-founded the 24-hour film project, an event in 2007 that featured 11 films and more than 200 guests. Nicholls has also served as a volunteer in a public relations capacity with Wellspring Niagara where he developed a two-day campus wide fundraiser, *Wishing Well for Wellspring*, a cancer treatment center. He has also served as a public relations/marketing assistant for 'dream', a non-profit student mentoring foundation in Dunnville, Ont.

"Jeff responded to the demanding pace of an organization in launch mode with great enthusiasm and professionalism," says Colleen Pielechaty, 'dream' development consultant. "He provided communications and fundraising support to a unique cultural exchange program between the youth of Dunnville, Ont., and Ek Balam, Mexico."

### South Africa graduate student continues from page 1.

Africa last Fall, Jacobs participated in a larger research project titled "Women across races who have aspired to educational administration in Canada and South Africa". Kobus Mentz, North-West University, and Denise Armstrong, Brock University, are the co-investigators. Professor Dolana Mogadime, from Brock's Faculty of Education, the lead investigator, has been the champion and driving force for the ongoing collaboration with North-West University, and also served as Jacobs' internship supervisor and mentor. Together, they conducted many interviews with women taking leadership roles in the field of education in Ontario. "This has been an experience of a lifetime..." said Jacobs, reflecting on her internship. She gained both professionally and personally from this academic and research experience over the past four months.

The DFAIT internship provided an opportunity for Jacobs to attend the largest national educational conference in Canada entitled, the *Canadian Association for the Study of Education (CSSE)* at the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, May 26-29, 2007.

CSSE is the major national voice for those who create educational knowledge, prepare teachers and educational leaders, and apply research in the schools, classrooms and institutions of Canada.

After exploring the literature by Canadian scholars on women in administration, Jacobs commented that her experiences of the Canadian educational research literature "was enriched" by meeting those same scholars at CSSE.

"This has been an invaluable opportunity to explore new research areas related to women, social equality, and democracy from international contexts."

He will be working with Niagara Public Works following graduation and, for the summer, works as Information and Public Relations Assistant for the Niagara Region.

Lou Cahill holds an honorary doctoral degree from Brock University and has been the recipient of the Canadian Public Relations Society (CPRS) Philip A. Novikoff Award for advancing the public relations profession. He was appointed to the CPRS College of Fellows in 2000.

The Lou Cahill Scholarship monies are managed by the Communications and Public Relations Foundation. The Foundation promotes the advancement of communications and public relations as vital functions in society, is dedicated to the public interest, and is committed to increasing public knowledge and awareness of the role of communications and public relations in daily life. The Foundation accepts individual and corporate contributions towards research and educational initiatives nationwide.

Applications for the annual Lou Cahill Scholarship in Communications, valued at \$1,250 for eligible graduating students from the Department of Communications, Popular Culture and Film at Brock University, are available from the University's Student Awards and Financial Aid Office.



## Brock Briefs

### Dorothy Griffiths appointed Associate Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences

As of July 1, Dorothy Griffiths is the new Associate Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences. She will have responsibility for student matters such as retention, academic integrity, and advising, as well as serving in a general advisory capacity to the Dean.

Griffiths comes to this position with particularly good credentials. She was Chair of the Department of Child and Youth Studies. She was also this year's recipient of the Faculty of Social Sciences Award for Excellence in Teaching, and she previously received the "Making a Difference" award from the Students with DisABILITIES Office.

She can be contacted at ext. 4069; e-mail: griffith@brocku.ca

### MSc thesis defence

Applied Health Sciences Student Sandy Dupuis will present her thesis defence entitled "The Impact of Tobacco Control Policies of University Students' Smoking in Ontario" on Tuesday, Aug. 14, at 10

a.m. in WH 147. Supervisor: Kelli-an Lawrence; External Examiner: Pam Kaufman, University of Toronto; Committee Members: Terry Wade; Martin Tammemagi; Chair: Lynn Rempel.

### MA thesis defences

Applied Health Sciences Student Larkin Lamarche will present her thesis defence entitled "The Exercise Leader's Gender and Physique Salience: Effects on Self-Presentational Concerns in an Exercise Context" on Tuesday, Aug. 14 at 10 a.m. in WC 284. Supervisor: Kim Gammage; External Examiner: Catherine Sabiston, McGill University; Committee Members: Diane Mack; Philip Sullivan; Chair: Allan Adkin.

Applied Health Sciences Student Angela Alexander will present her thesis defence entitled "Linking Stress Offset Score (SOS), Work Satisfaction, and Organizational Commitment to Intentions to Quit" on Thursday, Aug. 16 at 1 p.m. in WC 284. Supervisor: John Cairney; External Examiner: Martin Shain, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Toronto, Ont; Committee Members: John Yardley; Joanne MacLean; Chair: TBA.

## Mediatalk

People in the news

**Nancy Francis**, Associate Professor of Physical Education and Kinesiology, recently provided expert advice to *Canadian Living* for an article, entitled "School's out: Six experts share playful tips on how to keep your kids active - and outdoors - all summer long," which appears in the magazine's July 2007 issue.

**John Corlett**, Dean, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences and **James Mandigo**, Associate Professor of Physical Education and Kinesiology, were interviewed recently about their involvement with the Scotiabank Champions for Health Promoting Schools program in the Caribbean and El Salvador:

- Mandigo was interviewed by the *British Virgin Islands StandPoint* for a May 14 story, "Health promoting schools project underway."
- Mandigo was interviewed for an article, "Gov't hosts Brock University interns to assist with games," that was published in the *British Virgin Islands Platinum News* (May 18); *British Virgin Island News* (May 18); and *BVI Island Sun Newspaper* (May 26).
- Corlett was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a July 3 article, "Brock professors fight cycle of violence in El Salvador."

**Kimberly Cote**, Associate Professor of Psychology, was interviewed by *Niagara This Week* for a July 4 story about insomnia and her ongoing sleep study looking at the differences in brainwave activity between good and poor sleepers, entitled "Peer into the brain of an insomniac."

**Scott Walker**, Manager, Planning, Design and Construction, Facilities Management, was interviewed by *Business Niagara Magazine* about Plaza2006 and its Silver Certification under the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) green building rating system for an article, "It pays to be green," in the publication's July/August 2007 issue.

**Deborah M. Zinni**, Assistant Professor of Organizational Behaviour, Human Resources, Entrepreneurship and Ethics, was recently interviewed by *The Business Executive* for an article about changing management trends in the workplace, entitled "Balancing a workplace that is no longer a one-size-fits-all," which appears in the magazine's July 2007 issue.

**Garth Stevenson**, Professor of Political Science, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a July 7 story about the upcoming Oct. 10 election and referendum in Ontario in which voters will decide to maintain the current system at Queen's Park or select a mixed-member proportional (MMP) representation system that will see the number of party seats in the house linked to the popular vote. In the article, "Power to the people: Reforming government is in your hands," Stevenson notes that "Germany, for instance, uses something very similar (to MMP) and it has worked well for them for some time. It does increase the chance of minority or coalition governments, but I don't think that is a bad thing at all."

**Charles Burton**, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science, recently participated in the following media interviews and appearances:

- interviewed by the *Globe and Mail* for a July 11 article about the Huseyin Celik case and Canada-Chinese relations, "Canadian's appeal summarily dismissed."
- interviewed by *Maclean's* (July 9 - "Talking to a Great Wall: Canada's human rights dialogue with China has yielded nothing".)
- interviewed by *Singtao Daily* (June 12 - "Request for financial aid in exchange for sensitive topics, China's human rights have a price, Canada plans to suspend the dialogue") and *The Australian* about June 11 *Globe and Mail* article that discusses his report for the Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs and international Trade, "China wanted cash to discuss human rights."

**Dawn Prentice**, Assistant Professor of Nursing, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a July 18 article about recently released Statistics Canada data on the age of Canada's population taken from the 2006 census, entitled "We're getting older, census shows." Prentice spoke about the impact of Canada's aging population on the health system in this country.

**Phillip Mackintosh**, Assistant Professor of Geography, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a July 20 story about how public playgrounds have become safer over the years, resulting in a decline in the number of serious injuries, "Playing it safe."

**Andrew McDonald**, Associate Professor of History and Director of the Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, was interviewed on a recent trip to the Isle of Man by *Manx* newspaper and radio about his forthcoming book on "Manx Kingship in its Irish Sea setting, 1187-1229", due from Four Courts Press in Dublin in September ([www.fourcourtspress.ie](http://www.fourcourtspress.ie)).

## The Learning Commons: Anything but common

*Planning for the Learning Commons has gained considerable momentum in recent months. With input from students, the Learning Commons partners and various advisory groups, a major feasibility study has been completed that provides an exciting design layout that incorporates and transforms the upper level of the former University Book Store and the main floor of the James A. Gibson Library. Floor plans and artist renderings are now on display in the Library. A series of profiles will appear in upcoming issues of Brock News explaining the benefits that the new Learning Commons will provide to various constituencies around the University.*

## Graduate students to benefit from Library transformation

The Learning Commons is the James A. Gibson Library's answer to the changing informational and technological needs of today's students at both the graduate and undergraduate levels. The Learning Commons will integrate technological and instructional elements typically found outside the Library, including technology, writing, and career assistance.

This integration will provide students with a comprehensive learning space in which they can research, analyze, and process information into a presentable format, and it will create a tighter bond between the Library and the rest of the University, and ultimately, a seamless learning environment that promotes self-direction in learning.

## What will the Learning Commons do for graduate students? It will:

- Provide them with a comfortable, informal learning environment in which they can compile, compose, and complete papers and other assignments;
- Offer them spaces in which they can study quietly, work with a group, meet with a professor, or obtain research help from a librarian;
- Offer them plenty of computers fully loaded with productivity software;
- Provide pervasive wireless access;
- Make available library and technology experts who can help them resolve any issues they encounter;
- Create a versatile on-campus space that removes barriers to learning and facilitates their scholastic success;
- Provide access to programs offered by the Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies which will assist them in their role as Teaching Assistants;
- TA's can refer their undergraduate student to the resources available to assist them in their learning;
- Provide additional employment opportunities to gain teaching experience;
- Allow access to programs offered by Career Services and the Student Development Centre;
- Better serve students who are completing their degrees on a part-time basis or in a non-traditional time frame.

## CCOVI presents the 2007 Triggs International Premium Vinifera Lecture Series

Featuring: Alain Sutre, Viticultural and Winemaking Consultant, Boureaux, France.

Wednesday, Aug. 29: Vineyard Visits/Technical Workshops

Thursday, Aug. 30: Public Lecture, "Optimizing Vineyard Performance: The Road to the Future," Academic South 204, 7:30 p.m. Reception to follow.

For information, please visit [www.brocku.ca/ccovi](http://www.brocku.ca/ccovi)



## Faculty and Staff

### APPLIED LINGUISTICS

**David Hayes** presented a paper entitled "Articulating Contexts: Life History Research and English Language Teaching" at the fifth Asia TEFL (Teaching English as a Foreign Language) International Conference held from June 8 to 10 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He also delivered the closing plenary entitled "Exploring 'Unknown Worlds': The Lives and Careers of Non-Native Speaking Teachers of English in Asia" at the second Biennial International Conference on the Teaching and Learning of English in Asia held in Langkawi, Malaysia, from June 14 to 16.

### CHEMISTRY

**Roger McLaughlin** gave a talk at the first Canadian Symposium on the Hygiene Profession and Science: An Integrated View, held at the Brock University Hamilton campus on June 21. The talk was entitled "The Challenge of Arsenic Speciation and the Determination of Lead".

### CHILD AND YOUTH STUDIES

**Richard C. Mitchell** was recently appointed to the editorial board of *The International Journal of Children's Rights*. The IJCR is peer reviewed and published by Martinus Nijhoff with a focus on critical leadership and practical policy development that reflects the broad range of disciplines contributing to the human rights of young people, and their impact on the concepts and development of childhood and youth.

### COMMUNICATIONS, POPULAR CULTURE AND FILM

**Bohdan Y. Nebesio** has been awarded the 2007 Shklar Research Fellowship in Ukrainian Studies at Harvard University. He will spend his sabbatical leave in Cambridge, Mass. working on the project titled "Ukrainian Film Culture of the 1920s." He was also elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Canadian Association of Slavists for the term 2007-2010. Nebesio also presented a paper titled "Leonid Skrypnyk's Futurist Theory of Culture" at the Annual Conference of the Canadian Association of Slavists at the University of Saskatchewan on May 26.

### COMMUNITY HEALTH SCIENCES

Baker, G. Ross, Jeffs, L., Law, M. and Norton, P. (2007). "Improving the Safety and Quality of Health Care in Canada." In N. MacKinnon (Ed.), *Safe and Effective*, Ottawa, Canada: Canadian Pharmacists Association.

### COMPUTER SCIENCE

A number of papers were presented by faculty and students at the Computational Intelligence 2007 conference, held in Banff, Alta., from July 2 to 4. The paper presentations were:

- "A Comparison of Evolutionary Algorithms for Finding Optimal Error-Correcting Codes" by **Wolfgang Haas** and **Sheridan Houghten**;
- "Waste Collection Vehicle Routing Problem with Time Windows using Multi-Objective Genetic Algorithms" by **Beatrice M. Ombuki-Berman**, Andrew Runka, and Frank Hanshar;
- and "Using Genetic Programming to Synthesize Monotonic Stochastic Processes" by **Brian J. Ross**.

**Brian Ross** also presented the paper "Evolutionary Learning and Stochastic Process Algebra" at the First International Workshop on Induction of Process Models, in Corvallis, Ore., on June 24.

### FINANCE, OPERATIONS AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS

**Anthony Halog** attended the Teaching of Management Science Workshop at the Georgia Institute of Technology, in Atlanta, Ga., from July 26 to 29. This workshop was organized by the Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences. His participation was partially sponsored by the Canadian Operational Research Society.

**Maxim Voronov** and **Dirk De Clerq** (Organizational Behaviour, Human Resource Management, Entrepreneurship and Ethics) presented a paper entitled "Waltz of the Entrepreneur: From Path Dependencies to Practical Coping" at the 23rd EGOS Colloquium, held in Vienna, Austria in July.

**Mikhail Permyakov**, **Danny I. Cho** and **Tomson Ogwang** (Department of Economics) presented a paper entitled "Structural Changes in the Demand for Wine in Ontario and Canada: A Kalman Filter Approach," which won the Best Paper Award for the Business of Wine Track at the third International Wine Conference, held at Brock University from June 6 to 8.

**Danny I. Cho** recently made a keynote presentation to the group of 85 top managers from various subsidiaries of Samsung Corporation located throughout the world. The presentation titled, "Managing the Global Business Environment: Challenges and Opportunities," was made at the Annual Samsung Global Strategy Meeting, held in Niagara Falls, Ont., from July 9 to 10.

### MATHEMATICS

Professor Emeritus **Eric Muller** attended the Canadian Mathematics Education Study Group in Fredericton, N.B., from June 8 to 12. At the group, Muller and Véronique Hussin, Chair, département de mathématiques et de statistique, université de Montréal, co-lead a working group on Outreach in Mathematics - activities, engagement and reflection.

### MUSIC

**Harris Loewen** served as choral adjudicator from July 10 to 13 for the National Music Festival, sponsored by the Federation of Canadian Music Festivals in collaboration with the Université de Moncton. He and co-adjudicator Leonard Ratzlaff (U. of Alberta), reviewed recorded entries from across Canada in order to select winners to be announced at a Grand Award Competition ceremony in Moncton, N.B. on Aug. 11.

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND KINESIOLOGY

**Barbara Kennedy** presented a paper, entitled "Pedagogical approaches to teaching dance to university educated women over 40 to enhance self-esteem and motivation," at the National Dance Association (NDA) Conference in Saratoga, N.Y., celebrating its 75th Anniversary on June 17.

## Publications

**Cho, D. I., and Ogwang, T.** (2007). "A Conceptual Framework for Computing U.S. Non-Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Indexes," *The Journal of Supply Chain Management*, Vol. 43, 3, pp. 43-52.

**Croci, Osvaldo and Tossutti, Livianna S.** (2007). "That Elusive Object of Desire: Canadian Perceptions of the European Union," *European Foreign Affairs Review* 12(3): pp. 287-310.

**Matthews, D. and Kitchen, J.** (July 2007). "School-Within-a-School Gifted Programs: Perceptions of Students and Teachers in Public Secondary Schools," *Gifted Child Quarterly*, 51(3), pp. 256-271.

**McGarrell, H. M. and Courchène, R.** (Eds.) (2007). CONTACT (Special Research Symposium Issue). Refereed Proceedings of TESL Ontario Research Symposium, November 2006. Vol. 33, No. 2, pp. 156.

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**Sperling, James and Tossutti, Livianna S.** (May 2007) "National Threat Perception: Survey Results from the United States," in Emil Kirchner and James Sperling (eds), *Global Threat Perception: Elite Survey results from Canada, China, the European Union, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Russia, the United Kingdom and the United States*. Garnet Working Paper 18/07. Available at [www.garnet-eu.org/fileadmin/documents/working\\_papers/1807/11%20US.pdf](http://www.garnet-eu.org/fileadmin/documents/working_papers/1807/11%20US.pdf).

## Events

**School of Fine and Performing Arts: Theatre Beyond Words**, Brock's resident theatre company, is performing as part of THE QUILT: A Breast Cancer Support Project from July 5 to Sept. 30. The shows take place at THE QUILT'S Performance Space, 55 Downie St., Stratford, Ont. For a complete performance schedule, visit [www.hermione-presents.com](http://www.hermione-presents.com). For more information on THE QUILT, visit: [www.thequilt.com](http://www.thequilt.com).

## Classified

**For sale:** Two black, antique Windsor chairs for sale. Purchased at Christie Classic Antique Show in 1999, never been used. Asking \$500 for the pair. Contact Debbie after 5 p.m. at 905-262-1212.

**For sale:** Evenflow double stroller with stadium-style seating. Has large underbasket for ample storage, but also folds very flat, doesn't take up much room in the trunk. It's very clean and comes from a smoke-/pet-free home. \$125. For more information, call 905-684-4982.

**For sale:** New interior reversible six-panel door with frame package, 78" x 30", pre-drilled, comes with hardware. Instructions included. Never used. Bought at Home Depot for \$90. Make me an offer. Call Betty at 905-984-6549.



Brock's Intensive English Language Program (IELP) hosted a spelling bee students on July 9. The words for the spelling bee were carefully selected from the Academic Word List, which represents the 5,000 most important words for academic learning. The winning word was "hoolligan" and the winner was from the IELP program's intermediate level. Pictured from left to right are: advanced spelling bee winner Ko, Eun-Bi (Karen) and Associate Director Jackie Sanders.



## Chancellor's Chairs for Research Excellence Announced

Brock University has named four 2007 Chancellor's Chairs for Research Excellence. They are Professor Michael Ashton from Department of Psychology, Professor Dirk DeClercq from the Department of Organizational Behaviour, Human Resources Management, Entrepreneurship and Ethics, Professor John Hay from Community Health Sciences and Professor Hans-Georg Moeller from the Department of Philosophy.

The Brock award recognizes individuals who demonstrate excellence in their scholarly research and creative abilities, and have made exceptional contributions to the advancement of their field. Successful nominees receive a three-year grant to undertake a specific program of research leading to a significant development in their scholarship. Recipients of the award will also present a lecture on their research to the Brock community during the upcoming academic year.

"This year's Chancellor's Chairs represent an investment in Brock's future as a comprehensive, more research-intensive University," says Michael Owen, Associate Vice-President, Research and International Development. "These awards acknowledge and support those faculty members with innovative ideas, great potential and a commitment to translating their research into programs and publications accessible to scholars, communities, and our economy."

Ashton is a social psychologist specializing in personality variations. His research will examine the political views that may be related to certain dimensions of personality and explore the possibility of predicting ethical decisions based on those traits.

From the individual to the corporate to the national level, De Clercq looks at the factors that motivate, inform and shape venture capitalism. His research will explore the impact of entrepreneurs on the innovation levels within a country.

Hay is an expert in pediatric health and exercise. Analyzing his existing research database on the health and physical activity levels of Niagara children, he will develop gender- and age-based tools to assess children's perceptions of their own physical activity. He will also evaluate interventions designed for children with Developmental Co-ordination Disorder.

Building on his recent book, *Luhmann Explained*, Moeller will examine current conceptions of civil society and the potential drastic effects of implementing the theories of the controversial German social theorist.

Created in 2001, the Chancellor's Chairs for Research Excellence recognizes high-quality research, scholarly and creative achievement by providing a three-year grant to support an individual's research program. Building on the Canada Research Chair Program, the Chancellor's Chair Program is a key element in Brock University's transition from a primarily undergraduate to a comprehensive, research-intensive institution.

## Athletes still standing after 'Try a Triathlon' event



Competitors from across the campus came together recently to participate in the first ever "Try a Triathlon" hosted by Campus Security Services.

There were no podiums or national anthems at the end of Campus Security's first "Try a Triathlon", but participating athletes came away feeling like champions nonetheless.

On July 31 in blistering heat, 27 athletes of varying abilities swam, cycled and ran to complete the event. Thirteen individual competitors, four teams of three and one team of two gave their all in the exciting and personally rewarding challenge. There were a few laughs along the way and no one was injured.

The goal was not to be the first across the finish line, but to finish.

The race started with a 100-metre swim in the Eleanor Misener pool, followed by 12 km of cycling and then a three-km run to the finish line. The paved cycling course had enough straightaways for the road-racing cycle owners to get up some speed and enough twists and turns to allow those on mountain bikes, one complete with a baby seat, to keep pace.

Human dolphin Ian Young, Department of Recreation Services,

led the swim portion for his team, powering through the 100 metres in one minute, 21 seconds. Kevin Grout, University Advancement, who learned to swim just three weeks earlier, inspired onlookers with his tenacity.

Terry Boak, Vice-President, Academic, challenged student Matt Rocca for the lead through the cycling and running but it was Rocca who crossed the finish line first.

Student Erin Cox persisted despite the mechanical problems with her bike, and she finished the race holding to her mother's pre-race advice of "don't drown, don't get hurt, and don't cheat."

Everyone who participated met official "Try the tri" standards if the swim would have been lengthened by 275 metres.

Many thanks to volunteers, staff and students who came out to cheer and to Sodexo and Community Connections for their donations of food and staff. This sort of event is not possible without the strong support of the Brock community.

## More than \$1.2 million for research in the human sciences

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) recently awarded funding totalling \$1,260,974 to support 15 research projects at Brock in areas ranging from poetry and psychology to physical education and political science.

"We are excited by the research opportunities that this funding represents," says Michael Owen, Associate Vice-President, Research and International Development. "These awards recognize the high-quality research being conducted by Brock faculty - research that can have a real and significant impact, not only on the academic community, but on the daily lives of people in the Niagara region and beyond."

Among the Brock researchers receiving funding is Philip Sullivan, associate professor in the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology. Sullivan's research will investigate the impact of adult coaching in youth sport. "This is an extremely important issue for the health and development of Canada's youth," he says. Ultimately, he hopes the research will encourage Canadian youth to get and stay active in sport.

Comparing the Canadian "mosaic" and American "melting pot," Professor Garth Stevenson of the Department of Political Science will explore the ways cultural diversity have been experienced on both sides of the border. Stevenson's SSHRC award will enable him to travel to national archives in Ottawa and Washington, and to hire graduate students as research assistants, "which will expedite the research at the same time as it contributes to their development as young scholars," says Stevenson.

With his SSHRC research grant, Angus Smith, a professor in the Department of Classics, will be travelling to Greece to excavate an endangered Mycenaean cemetery. "As an ongoing international project incurring major equipment expenses and employing dozens of students and specialists, the need for generous financial support is crucial," he says.

The funding for Brock researchers was announced as part of a national SSHRC investment of more than \$77.8 million in research funding for more than 2,800 projects at universities across Canada.

SSHRC is an independent federal government agency that funds university-based research and graduate training through national peer-review competitions. SSHRC also partners with public and private sector organizations to focus research and aid the development of better policies and practices in key areas of Canada's social, cultural and economic life.

## Opening of Term

Celebrate the Opening of Term in style! Taking place on Wednesday, Aug. 29 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in Arnie Lowenberger Residence, the event will feature restaurants from downtown St. Catharines along with complimentary beverages from the Niagara Region. This event is a wonderful opportunity to meet the

many new faculty and staff who have joined us this past year as well as welcome the new academic year. President Jack Lightstone and his wife, Dorothy Markiewicz, hope you will join them for this casual evening of friendship and celebration. Tickets are \$20 each and available by calling the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257.

## Brock University – SSHRC Results 2007

### Stevenson, Garth, \$64,734

Canadian and American approaches to ethnic diversity

### Mackintosh, Phillip G., \$52,344

Toronto the good: Bourgeois geographies in an English Canadian city before 1920

### Conley, Timothy J., \$50,059

Burning city: an anthology of metropolitan modernity

### Volante, Louis M., \$97,589

(Drake, Susan M.)

Exploring the development of assessment literacy: implications for educational policy, capacity building, and professional practice

### Klentrou, Panagiota, \$130,675

(Gammage, Kimberley L.; Lu, Chunlei)

Socio-behavioural determinants of bone health in adolescent females

### Paul, Lissa, \$71,000

Re-inventing Eliza Fenwick: an 18th century life for the 21st century

### Liu, Jian, \$100,000

(Cairney, John, University of Toronto; Hay, John A.; Merchant, Anwar T., McMaster University; Wade, Terrance J.)  
The Impact of Early Life Experience and Parental Roles on the Development of Childhood Obesity

### Mack, Diane E., \$116,412

(Crocker, Peter R.E., University of British Columbia; Kowalski, Kent C., University of Saskatchewan; Wilson, Philip M.)  
Health-enhancing physical activity: a means to eudaimonic well-being

### Hodson, Gordon, \$88,728

Intergroup disgust and ideology as determinants of prejudice

### Ashton, Michael C., \$63,050

(Lee, Kibeom, University of Calgary)

Fear- and greed-related traits and their relations with five- and six-dimensional models of personality

### Yurdakul, Gokce, \$82,250

Jews and Turks in Germany: immigrant integration, political organization and minority rights

### Kronlund, Antonia, \$68,574

The heuristic basis of consumer choice and brand preferences

### Larivée, Annie, \$45,990

Vers une éthique du souci de soi: réappropriation contemporaine d'un concept philosophique ancien

### Willoughby, Teena, \$77,039

A longitudinal study of academic achievement trajectories: factors associated with stability and change

### Smith, Robert Angus K., \$152,530

Excavations of a Mycenaean cemetery at Ayia Sotira, near ancient Nemea, Greece

## SMART Start comes to a close

Having recently completed the SMART Start program for another year, our team has reached and exceeded our goal to provide an orientation that is unique, encompassing and informative to both students and their guests. The past seven weeks have been ones of growth as the Brock community welcomed well over 2,500 students in the 2007 SMART Start program. With the exception of the double cohort year, this figure represents the highest attendance numbers for the program since its inception in 2001. While we have raised the standards for the program and had a successful year, this accomplishment could not have been reached without the assistance and contributions of numerous faculty and staff within the Brock community.

A special thank you must be extended to Dr. Lightstone for his dedication to the program, encouraging words to the staff and involvement with the incoming

students.

A distinguished recognition is owed to Kevin Kiss, who prepared the team to advise students in the lab and to deliver professional and entertaining presentations.

In addition, our thanks is presented to all those within the Brock community who have dedicated their time and efforts to enhance our program and reach our goals for the team. This university is privileged to have a faculty and staff that cares, gives, and embraces the true meaning of community.

With the support and encouragement of the Brock Community, SMART Start will continue to push on to raise the standards of academic orientation.

In closing, we are extremely grateful to the faculty and staff who have helped us deliver and enjoy the SMART Start program of 2007.

– Cindy Nogradi, SMART Start Co-ordinator

## BrockDays 2007

Brock Days will take place over 10 days from Sept. 20 to 30 and will feature a wide range of events taking place on and off campus. The traditional kick-off barbecue and Grape Stomp will be held on Friday, Sept. 21 and will feature a barbecue lunch for \$3 and some great music by Flat Broke. Flat Broke specializes in the classic rock hits of the '60s, '70s, '80s and today. They have been wowing audiences all over southern Ontario for more than 10 years. With a repertoire of more than 300 songs from The Beatles, Stones to Bob Marley, The Police and countless others, Flat Broke is sure to please.

On the evening of Sept. 21, a very special event will take place on campus – Tribute! A new Brock Days tradition will recognize the achievements, in seriousness and in jest, of one of our long-standing staff members – Jamie Fleming, Director of Residences. Friends, colleagues and

family will share stories about Flemming that will no doubt be more jest than serious. Join us for dinner and this celebration as we forge a new Brock Days tradition. Tickets are \$40 each and available by calling the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257.

CCOVI will host three wine seminars on various wine-related topics in its Cellar Tasting Room and the Music at Noon Concerts will return from Sept. 24 to 27 with various musical talents – composed mostly of Brock faculty and staff – playing to delighted audiences around campus. On Sept. 28, BUSU will host a band in Isaac's to lead us into the big weekend featuring the Grande Parade, Brock Days in Montebello Park and a number of scheduled reunions. For more information on these events and others, please visit [www.brocku.ca/brockdays](http://www.brocku.ca/brockdays)



On Saturday, July 28 members of the Brock community joined together to form the Brock Paddleheads team in the eighth annual St. Catharines Dragon Boat Festival. The weather was beautiful and the team had a blast participating in the races and relaxing in the sun. In total, the team contributed over \$800 in pledges to Wellspring Niagara and placed 11 out of 33 teams. For information on how to get involved in other great events like this one, please contact Lauryn in Community Connections at ext. 4000 or e-mail [community@brocku.ca](mailto:community@brocku.ca).

## Message from the Vice-President, Advancement

Since my first visit to Brock University in May of this year, I have been greatly impressed with the enthusiasm of all those that I have met. I am awed with the University's strengths and accomplishments and am energized by the future that is before us with an invigorated vision, new relationships and partnerships with our constituents, and new programs and initiatives.

In order for the Office of University Advancement to assist our university take full advantage of the new opportunities that exist, and on behalf of my fellow search committee members, I am pleased to announce the appointment of Martha Nelson, B.A., M.A., CITP as the new Director of University Communications effective Sept. 4, 2007.

Martha has extensive experience in strategic communications and marketing with over 15 years experience in the private sector, government and academia. Most recently she has played a key role in assisting the University of Guelph strengthen their brand image and strategic marketing communications.

As part of our team, Martha will lead our communications, public relations, and strategic marketing initiatives as we continue to move forward and develop those defined and new partnerships that will assist our collective success. Martha will be located in the Office of University advancement. Please stop by in September to welcome her to the University.

Sincerely,

David M. Petis,  
Vice-President  
Office of University Advancement



Featuring: Alain Sutre, Viticultural and Winemaking Consultant, Boureaux, France.

Wednesday, Aug. 29: Vineyard Visits/Technical Workshops

Thursday, Aug. 30: Public Lecture, "Optimizing Vineyard Performance: The Road to the Future," Academic South 204, 7:30 p.m. Reception to follow.

For information, please visit [www.brocku.ca/ccovi](http://www.brocku.ca/ccovi)



## Welland Canal survey maps now online

In the late 1980s, fifty-three survey maps detailing the second Welland Canal from Port Dalhousie to Port Colborne were destined to be pitched in the trash. Fortunately, the historical value of these maps was not lost on Dr. John N. Jackson who rescued these treasures and transferred them to the Brock University Special Collections and Archives. These maps have been digitized and are now available for viewing at: <http://images.ourontario.ca/brock/>. Use the word "Welland" in the search field to see all the maps.

These maps were most likely created in the 1860s in an effort to keep track of the land and structures associated with the canal. The layout of the canal is recorded with incredible detail – even the surveyor's notes and measurements in pencil and ink are visible. Remnants of the first Welland Canal are noted where appropriate. But the maps go much further to document some local businesses, homes, landmarks, property owners, and streets.

The maps have been mounted onto a digital cultural content portal called OurOntario. The portal is designed as

a one-stop site where digitized materials from all over Ontario can be viewed by researchers anytime. The OurOntario website has a number of features to help visitors utilize the records through simple and advanced text searches. The website also links to Google Maps which displays modern views of the maps either as a satellite image, road map or a hybrid of both.

OurOntario takes the user experience one step further. It allows you to be an active contributor to the presented history. If you have particular insights into a feature on a map, you can add a comment for future users to read, learn from and explore further. You can even create and submit an essay (complete with photos) that can be linked to the map collection. To spark a historical dialogue, we have included one or more "Mystery Questions" to accompany each map. It would be great to have these questions answered and to see new questions posed. Whatever interests you about these maps is up for discussion.

Please contact David Sharron at [dsharron@brocku.ca](mailto:dsharron@brocku.ca) with any questions or comments.

## "Get (and Give) A Little Respect" this fall

Brock University was pleased to introduce its new Respectful Work and Learning Environment Policy in July 2006. The goal of this policy is to ensure the promotion and maintenance of a workplace where faculty, staff and students show respect and tolerance towards each other, celebrate our diversity and differences, and build effective and productive working relationships. A respectful work and learning environment provides many benefits: a more satisfied workforce, increased productivity, better classroom environments, increased creativity, better communication, decision making, problem solving and conflict resolution among members of our community, excellent customer service, and decreased costs relating to absenteeism and illness. In times of growth, working in a fast-paced, rapidly changing environment may increase our stress levels. Such conditions can make it challenging to maintain a positive and respectful work and learning environment. It is therefore important to ensure that faculty and staff have the skills and tools necessary to navigate today's busy workplace and to build a respectful work and learning environment.

To assist community members in developing these critical skills, the Office of

Human Rights and Equity Services is continuing to deliver "Respect" workshops this fall. This fun and interactive workshop will introduce Brock's new Respectful Work and Learning Environment Policy and what it means. Participants will learn about the following:

- What is a respectful work and learning environment?
- Tools and techniques for creating a respectful work and learning environment.
- How to take responsibility for your own power, privilege and behaviour.
- What are discrimination, harassment and bullying?
- How to respond to discriminating, harassing or bullying behaviour.
- Rights, responsibilities and procedures under the new policy.
- The role of the Office of Human Rights and Equity Services.

To see a full listing of workshops, please register through the Focus on Learning website: [www.brocku.ca/hr/training/focus/](http://www.brocku.ca/hr/training/focus/)

For more information, please contact the Office of Human Rights and Equity Services at ext. 5657 or [humanrights@brocku.ca](mailto:humanrights@brocku.ca)

Thank you for your support of this important initiative.

## Experience Learning! Fall 2007 Learning & Leisure Guide is out

Experience art, photography, music or a language! Dig in and get into a class that will keep you stimulated, learning and growing. Discover health and nutrition tips in "Live Longer the Mediterranean Way". Have you ever wanted to develop your singing abilities? Take your song out of the shower and bring it to our new "Sing it" class. If you are planning a winter vacation and want to brush up on your Spanish, French or Italian – we have a class just for you! We have many fun and hands-on courses offered through the Continuing Education department this coming term. Take advantage of the early-bird five per cent discount and register before Friday, Sept. 7. Fall guides will be distributed on campus the middle of August or visit us online at [www.brocku.ca/conted](http://www.brocku.ca/conted) Call ext. 4775 to register or for more information.

## Take a swing with the Alumni Association

The Brock University Alumni Association (BUAA) is once again hosting its Annual Alumni Golf Tournament. Join us on Saturday, Sept. 15 at Lochness Links (formerly Hunters Pointe) for a day of golf, fun, and prizes. We welcome golfers of all skill levels. The registration fee for the scramble tournament is \$400 for a foursome and includes use of practice facilities, shotgun start at 1:30 p.m., 18 holes of golf with cart, lunch and dinner, and a \$25 gift certificate to the clubhouse. In addition, there will be raffle prizes and competition prizes along the way, including an opportunity to win \$10,000 in a hole-in-one contest. There are more prizes and contests than ever before! The tournament is filling fast so be sure to book your foursome soon space is limited. Register online at [www.brockalumni.ca](http://www.brockalumni.ca) or phone the BUAA at ext. 4502

## I N M E M O R I A M



Professor Danielle Parks

Professor Danielle Parks of the Department of Classics died quietly at her home on Tuesday, July 31 after battling Leukemia for two-and-a-half-years. She was 41 years old. Her death is a great loss to us all and to academe worldwide.

Danielle was dedicated to her research and teaching, and especially to her students. She set high standards for herself and for all whom she encountered. She inspired many of her students to attend graduate school. At Brock, she was instrumental in the establishment of our graduate programme and was Graduate Program Director for the first year of the programme. Danielle loved being in the field and included many of our students in her work overseas on Cyprus. She spent many of her summers training undergraduate students in our field school

there. She was also active in the local community, serving on the executive of the Niagara Peninsula Chapter of the *Archaeological Institute of America*.

Danielle was a scholar of international stature. Her research focused on the Roman to late Roman Amathus Gate Cemetery at Kourion, Cyprus. While still a PhD student, she became director of the excavation. Her recent work there has focused on processing the remains and using the material to investigate the transition from paganism to Christianity on Cyprus. She recently published *Roman Coinage of Cyprus* (Cyprus Numismatic Society, Nicosia 2005), which looked at how coinage types and distributions clarify issues of provincial relations, trade and economy. She is also the author of numerous articles and chapters in books relating to both areas of interest.

Danielle continued to be active in the department with teaching and service and continued her involvement in field projects, conferences and publishing throughout her illness. She never lost her zeal for life. She had much more to offer and contribute, but there is much to celebrate about the life she had. She was a dear friend and colleague and will be greatly missed.

Michael Carter and Allison Glazebrook,  
Department of Classics.

For more information on Danielle's accomplishments and the memorial service visit [www.brocku.ca/classics](http://www.brocku.ca/classics)

## Mediataalk People in the news

**Deboarh Zinni**, Assistant Professor of Organizational Behaviour, Human Resources, Entrepreneurship and Ethics was recently interviewed by *Canadian HR Reporter* magazine for a July 16 story about provincial employment standards for work hours and overtime. In the article, entitled "Plenty of exceptions to overtime rules," Zinni notes that "While employment standards have similarities, there are nuances. It really depends on the party in place, lobby groups that are active at the time and needs of the province. It's a very tough balancing act for government, keeping in mind the employee and employer, small or large, and the ability to pay."

**Cathy Mondloch**, Associate Professor of Psychology and Director of the Infant and Child Development Lab at Brock, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a July 23 article – "Visual cues" – about research that she is conducting in collaboration with the University's Lifespan Development Research Centre on how young children distinguish faces and facial cues. The article about her research, which has implications for children testifying in court as eyewitnesses, was also published in the following newspapers: *Timmins Daily Press* (July 31, "University attempts to solve mystery of visual recognition"); *Belleville Intelligencer* (July 30, "How children distinguish faces"); *Sault Star* (July 28, "Face to remember"); *North Bay Nugget* (July 28, "Researchers examine face recognition"); *Kirkland Lake Northern News* (July 25, "Researches find adults rarely forget a face"); *Sarnia Observer* (July 24, "How children remember faces"); *Niagara Falls Review* (July 23, "Visual cues"); and *Welland Tribune* (July 23, "Visual cues").

**Jim Papple**, Speaking Co-ordinator for the Intensive English Language Program (IELP) and IELP students from the University were interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a July 24 story – "Queer quirks" – about the challenges and idiosyncrasies of learning English as a

second language. The article was picked up by the Canadian Press (CP) news service and reprinted in various Canadian newspapers, including:

*The Fredericton Daily Gleaner* (July 30, "Foreign students tackle idiosyncrasies of English"); *Medicine Hat News* (July 30, "English language holds many meanings"); and *The Corner Brook Western Star* (July 30, "Foreign students").

**David Siegel**, Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences and Professor of Political Science was interviewed by *Pulse Niagara* magazine for a July 26 article about the Region of Niagara and Brock joining forces to study the concept of a Niagara Observatory at the University, entitled "New research institute at Brock?" which would provide a forum for bringing the community together to explore issues affecting the region.

**Ann Marie Guilmette**, Associate Professor of Recreation and Leisure Studies, was recently interviewed by the *Toronto Star* for a July 28 article about how advances in technology are making it impossible to get away from it 'all' while on vacation. In the article, "Working holidays," Guilmette notes that "There isn't quite the distinction between work and play that there might have been during a more industrial-age mentality." The article was also reprinted in the July 30 issue of the *Ottawa Metro*, "Technology keeps us from getting away from it all."

**Paul Hamilton**, Assistant Professor of Political Science, was interviewed by the *Hamilton Spectator* for an Aug. 3 article about a recent study authored by the federal government that examined the issue of dual-citizenship in Canada, entitled "Dual citizenship no recipe for lack of loyalty."

**Maureen Connolly**, Director of the Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies (CTLET) and Professor of Physical Education and Kinesiology was interviewed by *Niagara This Week* for an Aug. 3 story about the 10 year anniversary of the Ontario Appeal Court's decision granting women the right to expose their chests in public places, "Breast of intentions."

# Brock Briefs

## MSc thesis defence

Applied Health Sciences student Sarah Braid will present her thesis defence entitled "Bone Properties and Skeletal Maturity in Adolescent Males, as Assessed by Quantitative Ultrasound." It will be held on Thursday, Aug. 16 at 2 p.m. in WH 147. Supervisor: Bareket Falk; External Examiner:-Joe Blimkie, McMaster University; Committee Members: Nota Klentrou; Phil Sullivan; Chair: Rene Vandenboom. All are welcome!

## Fall Recreation Services guide now available

For all the fall programs, visit the Recreation Services website at: [www.brocku.ca/recserv](http://www.brocku.ca/recserv)  
Registration for fall programs began Aug. 1.  
Fall swimming lesson registration for children and adults begins Saturday, Aug. 25 at 9 a.m.  
To register for programs, please call ext. 4060.

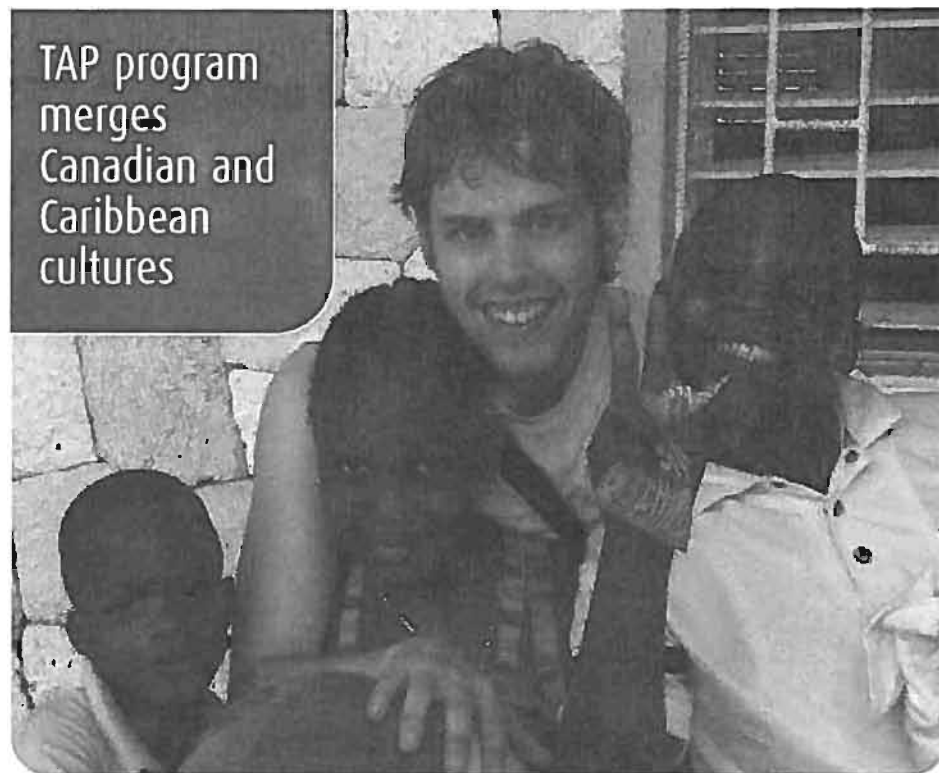
## You're invited...

Come out to one of the following three sessions to learn about the annual campus campaign in support of the Learning Commons.

<b>Monday, Aug. 20</b>	11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	E-Classroom
<b>Thursday, Aug. 23</b>	12 noon to 1 p.m.	E-Classroom
<b>Wednesday, Sept. 12</b>	12:30 to 1:30 p.m.	Sean O'Sullivan

Coffee and lunch will be provided. Goody bags for all. Expert speakers & so much more. Please contact Christine Vint ext. 3590 to book your date so we have lunch and treats for you!

Presented by the Campus Campaign Co-Chairs: Greg Finn, Kithio Mwanzia and Karen McAllister-Kenny, and the Office of Development and Donor Relations.



Students from Brock University's Department of Dramatic Arts became global citizens this summer as they participated in TAP (Turn Around Project), an interdisciplinary applied theatre research project in Port Antonio, Jamaica. Professor Jane Leavitt from the Department of Dramatic Arts, and Michael St. George, an arts educator and renowned Dub poet, led eighteen Brock students in an intensive Applied Theatre project. The overall goal of TAP is to offer Jamaican children a free arts program for five years in order to contribute to a movement to inspire lives and communities. Pictured is Brock student Zachary Smith interacting with some of the Jamaican student participants.

## Faculty and Staff

### CHEMISTRY

**Tomas Hudlicky** recently presented the following lectures:

- "Environmentally benign methods of oxidation and reduction for organic compounds," at the Symposium on green chemistry for organic synthesis, 90th Canadian Chemistry Conference, Winnipeg, Man., in May 2007.
- "Efficient approaches to morphine and amaryllidaceae alkaloids via Biocatalysis," at the University of Vienna, Austria, in July 2007.
- "Chemoenzymatic synthesis of morphine and amaryllidaceae alkaloids," at Universita CA'FOSCARI, Venice, Italy, in July 2007.

**Art van der Est** gave a lecture entitled "Using Light-Induced Electron Spin Polarization To Unravel The Photochemistry Of Substituted Porphyrin Complexes" at the 10th International Symposium on Spin and Magnetic Field Effects in Chemistry and Related Phenomena, Venice, Italy on June 19.

Brock Chemistry graduate students, **Hannes Leisch** and **Jon Collins** gave invited lectures at the Symposium on Biocatalysis and its impact on asymmetric synthesis at the 90th Canadian Chemistry Conference in Winnipeg, Man.:

- Hannes Leisch, Tomas Hudlicky. "Chemoenzymatic strategies for natural product synthesis."
- Jon Collins, Tomas Hudlicky. "Chemoenzymatic synthesis of 7-deoxypancratistatin via intramolecular aziridine opening."

### COMMUNITY HEALTH SCIENCES

**Jian Liu** recently presented the following papers:

- "Another way to evaluate the impact of maternal smoking on foetal nutrition status" with Christopher Sempos at the Society for Pediatric and Perinatal Epidemiologic Research, 20th Annual Meeting, Boston, Mass., held June 18 to 19.
- "Is lipid profile among adolescents with and without impaired fasting glucose different by gender?" with Maurizio Trevisan at the Society for Epidemiologic Research, 40th Annual Meeting, Boston, Mass., held June 19 to 22.
- "Relationship between energy expenditure and prevalence of metabolic syndrome in adolescents and adults," with graduate student Divya Joshi at the International Conference on Physical Activity and Obesity in Children, Toronto, Ont., held June 24 to 27.

### ECONOMICS

**Robert Dimand** recently made the following presentations:

- "The Corridor of Stability in Tobin's Keynesian Model of Recession and Depression" (joint with Ryan Bruno) at the annual meeting of the Canadian Economics Association, held in Halifax, N.S., on June 2.
- "Edmund Phelps and Modern Macroeconomics" at the annual meetings of the History of Economics Society, held in Fairfax, Va., June 9; and at the European Society for the History of Economic Thought, held in Strasbourg, France, on July 6;
- "Tobin's Keynesianism" at a conference on the History of Recent Economics, at University of Paris X, Nanterre, France, on June 23.

### FINANCE, OPERATIONS AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS

**Anthony Halog** has recently written a new paper on "Towards Development of Sustainable Value Chain Networks: An Efficiency Approach." This paper has been accepted for oral presentation on the Eight International Conference on Operations and Quantitative Management (ICOQM-8), Bangkok, Thailand, Oct. 17 to 20, 2007.

### MATHEMATICS

**Thomas Wolf** gave a talk on July 19 entitled "Classification of 3-dimensional scalar discrete integrable equations" at the International Conference for Discrete Differential Geometry in Berlin, Germany.

## Publications

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## Classified

**Available for Rent:** Two bedrooms up and two down in beautiful bungalow in desirable family area near Club Roma. Master has walk-in and four piece ensuite. Kitchen has new appliances and is open concept to very large dining room and living room. Main-floor laundry and walk-out to quiet covered patio in large fenced backyard. Basement newly professionally finished with three piece bath and large family room. \$1,695 plus utilities. Available Sept. 1 or sooner. Call Karen at 905-988-9478.

**For sale:** Turn your world upside down! Teeter Inversion Table available, in pristine condition. \$250. Instructional CD and all instructions included. For more information, call Jon at 905-984-5135 after 6 p.m.

**For sale:** Horse Power shallow well jet pump with 24-litre tank system - Home Plumber Professional Series. Never used or removed from the box. Purchased a year ago for \$300, asking \$225. Call David at 905-684-5355.

**For sale:** Colonial hard wood sofa and chair in excellent condition: \$95 or best offer; Executive desk, 8 drawers, solid wood, like new: \$95. Call 905-682-2347.

**For sale:** Toronto Blue Jays tickets - 100 Level, for various games: Sept. 18 (2) behind home plate vs. Red Sox; Sept. 19 (2) behind home plate vs. Red Sox; Sept. 29 (2) half-way between home and first (row 15) vs. Tampa Bay; Sept. 30 (2) half-way between home and first (row 20) vs. Tampa Bay. \$62 Tickets for \$30 each. Call Bill at 905-685-1670 for more information.



# BrockNews

## Brock awarded Silver designation for going green

Brock University is celebrating its membership in an exclusive environmental club.

The Plaza Building, formerly known as Plaza2006, is the third post-secondary building in Ontario and the seventh in Canada to earn the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver certification. The award recognizes energy conservation and environmentally responsible construction such as construction waste disposal, healthy indoor environment for occupants, site selection, and other initiatives.

LEED certification is awarded by the Canadian Green Building Council (CaGBC) once stringent environmental expectations have been met and the environmental and resource impact has been reduced.

To earn the Silver designation, Brock accomplished the following:

- High thermal efficiency of boilers
- High thermal resistance of the walls and roof
- Double-glazed, argon-filled, low e-coating windows with thermally broken aluminum frames
- Lowered lighting power density
- Reduced indoor potable water use by 60 per cent with dual-flush toilets, low-flow urinals and lavatories
- Rainwater collection
- Used more than 30 per cent regional material
- Provided superior indoor environmental quality for the tenants with construction indoor air quality management, low-emitting materials, indoor chemical control and thermal comfort.

The energy cost performance is almost 43 per cent better than the Model National Energy Code for Buildings.

The Plaza Building officially opens on Tuesday, Sept. 18.

The five-storey, 86,000-square-foot building, which has redefined Brock's front entrance, houses a diversity of "addresses", including the Lifespan Development Research Centre (LDRC). The ground floor contains a significantly expanded campus bookstore and a direct link to the Alumni Student Centre. The second and third floors house academic offices, computer labs, classrooms and seminar rooms and the upper two floors contain the LDRC research facilities. A key feature is the social space now available to students for out-of-the-classroom discourse.

LDRC, a facility unique in Canada, is a collaborative effort between various academic departments and community organizations providing a centralized location of expertise to study how development occurs across the human lifespan.



## Brock professors recognized by province for classroom leadership



From left: Professors Barry Joe, Anna Lathrop and Ernest Biktimirov

Three professors from Brock University have been recognized by the Province of Ontario for their outstanding classroom skills and ability to stimulate students to think creatively and critically.

This evening at the Opening of Term celebration, Brock will recognize **Professor Ernest N. Biktimirov**, Finance, Operations and Information Systems, **Professor Barry W. K. Joe**, Digital Humanities, and **Professor Anna H. Lathrop**, Physical Education and Kinesiology, who have each been awarded one of the province's inaugural Leadership in Faculty Teaching (LIFT) awards.

The LIFT award was developed by the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities to recognize and encourage teaching excellence at colleges and universities in Ontario. One hundred LIFT awards were awarded to faculty who influence, motivate and inspire students as well as demonstrate leadership in teaching methods.

Winners will receive \$20,000 over two years to encourage continued excellence in the classroom setting.

**Professor Ernest N. Biktimirov** joined Brock University in July 1999. He teaches both undergraduate and graduate finance courses, and conducts research in the areas of investments and financial education.

He has been the recipient of the University and Faculty of Business Distinguished Teaching Awards. He is also a holder of the Brock Chancellor's Chair for Teaching Excellence. In 2006 he won the inaugural Teaching Excellence Award competition at the Academy of Finance conference in Chicago.

Biktimirov has published many papers in the area of finance and financial education. Several of his educational papers won the best paper award at the Financial Management

Association International (2002), International College Teaching Methods and Styles (2005), and Administrative Sciences Association of Canada (2006) conferences.

"It is a great honour to be recognized among the distinguished teachers of Ontario's colleges and universities," says Biktimirov. "As a recipient of this prestigious award, I feel increased responsibility to advance teaching excellence in academia."

**Professor Barry W. K. Joe** has taught at Brock University since 1980 in three departments across two faculties. He was originally appointed to the Department of Germanic and Slavic Studies, was later cross-appointed to Communications Studies, and most recently became the first fully appointed faculty member of Digital Humanities, where he teaches in the innovative Interactive Arts and Sciences program.

He was Director of the Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies from 1998 to 2002, during which time he was also Special Advisor to the President on Teaching. In 2003, he became the founding Director of the Centre for Digital Humanities.

Joe was the recipient of the Brock University Distinguished Teaching Award in 1999, and in 2000 he was honoured with Canada's national post-secondary teaching award, the 3M Teaching Fellowship Award.

"The Leadership in Faculty Teaching Award from the Province of Ontario demonstrates the importance that the government has placed on post-secondary teaching, as universities help shape the future citizens of Ontario," says Joe. "I share this distinction with my students, past, present, and future, for their intellectual growth is the ultimate teaching award."

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## Centre for Applied Disability Studies receives Behavior Analysis Certification Board accreditation

With the recent approval of its Applied Behaviour Analysis graduate course sequence by the Behavior Analysis Certification Board (BACB), the Centre for Applied Disability Studies is positioning itself to help meet the growing demand for qualified behaviour analysts in Ontario.

Students obtaining a Master of Arts in Applied Disability Studies, Master of Applied Disability Studies or the Graduate Diploma and who specialize in the Applied Behaviour Analysis (ABA) field will now be eligible to apply to become a Board Certified Behaviour Analyst.

Brock's master's programming in Applied Disabilities Studies, which offers specialization in ABA, is the only graduate program of its kind in the province, and only the third in Canada, to offer an approved course sequence to become a BCBA-certified behaviour analyst.

"This is big news for the disabilities community because there is a tremendous need for well-trained and accredited behavior analysts in Ontario," says Maurice Feldman, Director of the Centre for Applied Disability Studies. "The BACB qualification is becoming increasingly important for many positions involving interventions for persons with a variety of disabilities, including autism, intellectual disabilities and acquired brain injury."

Many of Brock's Applied Disabilities students are part-time students who are employed full time in the community. Hence, the Centre offers the BACB-approved course sequence at times and places convenient to working students, including week-long and weekend courses in some cases. Courses have been offered in Toronto and Hamilton, as well as in St. Catharines, and there are plans to offer a satellite program in the Ottawa area in the near future.

"This is welcome news for our organization, since BACB-certified staff are needed to supervise Intensive Behavioral Intervention (IBI) programs in the province's nine regions currently serving more than 1,000 children with autism," says Margaret Spoelstra, Executive Director, Autism Ontario. "Parents of children receiving IBI will be very pleased to know that this certification has been granted to Brock University - right here in Ontario; and that the bar has been raised for professional qualifications and standards. Parents want to know that their children with autism are receiving treatments and educational supports based on the most current and respected evidence, and that the people responsible for implementing those programs have received the best possible training, with clear professional accountability."

ABA is also the treatment of choice for persons with developmental disabilities and acquired brain injury,

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## Two sessions held in support of Learning Commons

Two lunch-and-learn sessions were held last week for faculty and staff to learn about the campus campaign in support of the Learning Commons.

Those in attendance met campaign co-chairs Karen McAllister Kenny, Greg Finn and Kithio Mwanzia and they heard from experts speaking from faculty, staff and student perspectives. The campus community was also able to see the floor plans and artist renderings for the new space.

If you were unable to attend the August sessions, please contact Christine Vint at ext. 3590 to reserve your spot for the last session scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 12.

The undergraduate students have already committed \$1 million through their recent referendum. The Board of Trustees and senior administration have heartily supported the project.

All faculty and staff will be given the opportunity in early September to join the growing numbers in support of this project that has campus-wide appeal and far-reaching positive effects. Once all of the Brock community has had a chance to show its support, the campaign will go public. The extended community will be pleased and encouraged to hear of the University's enthusiastic internal support.

The construction contract for the Learning Commons has been awarded to T. R. Hinan Contractors Inc. of St. Catharines, Ont., and construction is expected to begin in late August/early September.

The Learning Commons is one of the University's most important projects for 2007-08. Designed by Diamond & Schmitt Architects Inc., the project will transform the entire main floor of the James A. Gibson Library, including the area formerly occupied by the University Bookstore, and will encompass more than 20,000 square feet. When completed, the Learning Commons will provide an array of learning support services in a vibrant academic space designed to promote informal learning.

## Blogging in higher education

Since the arrival of the first weblog on the Internet in 2000, this online communications technology has played an increasingly significant role in higher education courses, administrations and student life.

More commonly called blogs, they resemble personal journals or diaries housed in an online setting, encouraging self-expression and creativity, and supporting the evolution of online communities. They provide an excellent opportunity for instructors to advance literacy development through dialogue and storytelling, or for institutions to engage current students to reflect upon their experiences and prospective students to share their expectations.

Readers are invited to read a more complete version of this story at the Ed Tech Channel, accessed via the [my.brocku.ca](http://my.brocku.ca) portal, where they can learn more about blogging, particularly collaborative blogs, podcasts and vodcasts, and administrative blogs. As well, this site provides links to several outstanding higher education blogs currently deployed across Canada.

## The Brock blitz — thousands of students move into residence

Six hours, 2,400 students and their families, more than 100 volunteers — it must be residence move-in day at Brock University.

In its traditional one-day blitz, Brock University will welcome thousands of students in one-hour increments, beginning at 9 a.m. and ending at 3 p.m., to its six residence complexes on Labour Day Monday, Sept. 3. Six hours and thousands of boxes and bags later, students will have moved into their rooms and parents will have made their goodbyes. At 4 p.m., residence students will gather for meetings for the start of Orientation Week.

Jamie Fleming, Director, Residences, has missed only one move-in day in his 25 years at Brock, and that was to move his son into an out-of-town university residence a few years ago.

Co-ordinating the marathon moving day is Cindy Chernish, Manager, Residence Facilities and Finance. Preparation and training begin months in advance.

In July, several pages of useful information (Where do I get my keys? Can I bring or rent a fridge?) and the moving-day schedule is sent to students, giving them and their families a few months to plan their arrival.

A small army of student volunteers and Brock staff help to ensure that the day moves along as quickly as possible.

Head Residents, eight students who are the senior members of the Residence Life Staff, began intensive training July 29. They will oversee their buildings and will help to train the residence dons (44 students), activity co-ordinators and academic programmers (14 students) who began their training Aug. 26. Responsibilities range from directing traffic to team building, mediation, event planning and risk

management. The Residence Action Council executives began training Aug. 26 and they will also help with move-in day activities.

About 50 student volunteers from Brock University Students' Association will do the heavy lifting of belongings at each residence on moving day and also join in the pep rally on the holiday Sunday.

Staff departments also pitch in to help families. Conference Services provides a golf cart/van and safety vests; Sodexo serves dinner to all 2,400 students Monday night and keeps three outlets open for the day; SMART Start staff operate the key pickup tables; IT/Communication Services assist with internet/phone problems and provide ID cards for those who haven't yet received them; Parking Services provide sign boards and access to locked gates; Facilities Management provides a locksmith and carpenter to handle emergencies; Custodial staff arrange for extra bins and help to keep things looking tidy; and Campus Security maintain a helpful presence throughout O-Week.

"For some of our volunteers and staff people, this is one of the most exciting days of the year," says Chernish. "There is a vitality and excitement in the air as the students, and their parents, enter a new stage in their lives. A sense of celebration permeates the whole day."

"Brock has an advantage over other universities in that move-in day is a very well co-ordinated team effort requiring the involvement of several departments, most of which have been participating in the Labour Day move for many years," says Fleming. "Also, the residences are geographically well-spaced and there are different entrances to the campus from different roads, which relieve some of the congestion."

## Brock professors recognized

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Professor Anna H. Lathrop is the Associate Dean, Undergraduate Affairs, in the Faculty of Applied Health Sciences. She was hired as a faculty member in the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology in 1989, and has formerly served as Chair of this Department and the Chair of the Department of Recreation and Leisure Studies.

Lathrop's areas of research include the history of physical education and sport, youth sport, and children and physical activity. She has consistently taught large, first-year courses and has published in the areas of Teaching Assistant facilitation, small group learning and effective large class delivery. She has also developed strategies for students at academic risk, and has offered leadership in the University's policies that relate to student retention, academic integrity and student engagement.

Her distinctions and awards include Brock University's Female Athlete of the Year (1978); the Brock University Distinguished Teaching Award (2000); the OCUFA Award for Outstanding Contribution to University Teaching (2000); and the 3M Teaching Fellowship Award (2001).

"I am delighted and honoured to be selected as one of three Brock University recipients of the Leadership in Faculty Teaching Awards," says Lathrop. "It is indeed a privilege to contribute to Brock's academic mission of student-centred learning, and to know that the University's reputation as a centre of excellence in undergraduate and graduate education continues to be affirmed through the outstanding efforts of all members of the school's community."

## Centre for Applied Disability Studies

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and the Ministry of Education recently announced that ABA will now be used in Ontario schools to assist students with special needs.

"The Centre for Applied Disability Studies at Brock is the only academic unit of its kind in Canada focusing on applied disability studies and ABA at the graduate level," says Marilyn Rose, Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies, Brock University. "The fact that our students can take courses leading to certification as part of their degree programs is a very positive outcome and an indication of our University's determination to develop applied programs of study that serve the larger community in exciting and productive ways."

For more information, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/disabilitystudies](http://www.brocku.ca/disabilitystudies)

## Online mental health resource developed for teachers

Over the past 12 months, Brock's Multimedia Production and Innovation Centre (MPIC) has supported a team of mental health professionals associated with Toronto's Hincks-Dellcrest Centre in the development of a highly innovative web-based resource entitled The ABC's of Mental Health.

MPIC multimedia production specialists Jayson Peterson, Jake Romphf and Mark Neufeld have worked together with consultants Brock Professor John Mitterer, Psychology, and Dr. Lynne Beal, a Toronto-based psychologist, towards the development of this online resource for teachers of Grades SK to 8.

Drawing on information from expert advisors, the ABC's of Mental Health content is designed to respond to teachers' most pressing concerns about children's mental health and behaviour problems in the classroom.

The information, in accessible, easy-to-use formats, helps teachers to recognize behaviours that cause them concern. It provides prevention and early intervention strategies to promote learning and mental health, and tips on finding help for children with mental health problems.

The ABC's of Mental Health will soon be released to educators via the Hincks-Dellcrest website.

## Appointment of Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President, Academic



Dr. Greg Finn

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Greg Finn to the new position of Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President, Academic.

Greg is currently Associate Dean in the Faculty of Mathematics and Science and an Associate Professor in the Department of Earth Sciences. He joined Brock University in 1985 as a lecturer in the Department of Geological Sciences, and after completing his PhD at Memorial University of Newfoundland in 1989, he was appointed Assistant Professor.

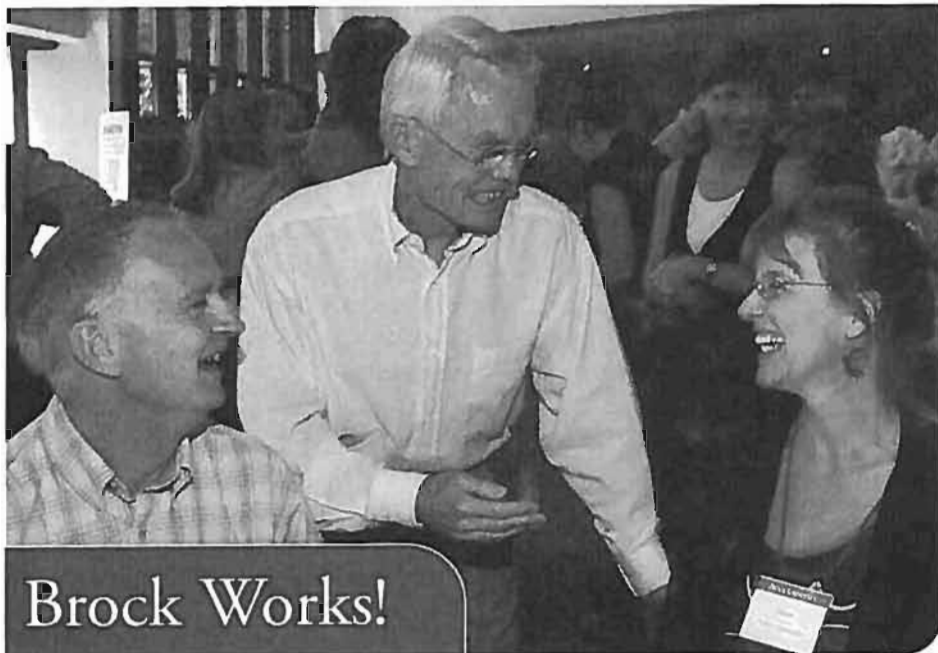
Greg has not only a strong teaching and research record but also has been extremely active in department, Faculty and University academic affairs during his time at Brock. He has been involved in education issues outside the university environment, including President of the Science Teachers' Association of Ontario, Vice President of the Association of Professional Geoscientists of Ontario and Councillor of the Geological Association of Canada.

The responsibilities of Greg's position will primarily focus on matters related to undergraduate students and their academic programs. He will sit on a number of Senate committees as a representative of Senior Administration. He will also provide general support to the Office of Provost, and in the absence of the Provost, will act on his behalf.

I want to thank the members of the Advisory Committee for their assistance in the search for the Vice-Provost.

Terry Boak  
Vice-President, Academic and Provost





## Brock Works!

From left: Greg Finn, Department of Earth Sciences, Terry Boak, Vice-President, Academic and Provost, and Dianne Dutton, Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures, get acquainted during an orientation event for new faculty and staff.

Fifty new faculty and staff attended various workshops and information sessions as an introduction to the University and its operations - or "works". Hosted by Human Resources/Environment, Health and Safety (HR/EHS), the Office of Research Services (ORS) and the Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies (CTLET), the event featured guest speaker Robert Malcolmson, a local historian and author, who provided new employees with an informative and interesting historical background on Sir Isaac Brock. In addition, workshops and information sessions provided essential employee information, including professional development and safety training. An Information Marketplace gave participants the opportunity to learn about the resources and services

available to them at the University.

"In conjunction with ORS and CTLET, the Human Resources Department is pleased to provide this introduction to new staff and faculty to assist them as they embark on their careers at Brock," noted Pauline McCormick, Executive Director, HR/EHS. "We believe that the University's strength is its people, and we are committed to supporting them in a positive, healthy and safe environment in which to learn and grow."

Thank you to new faculty and staff who took time out of their busy schedules to participate in the orientation. As well, special thanks to staff and faculty members who offered their expertise and insight as presenters of workshops and information sessions.

## Brock Edutravel excursion to England will explore Jane Austen and the Romantic poets

Join Professor Barbara Seeber from the Department of English Language and Literature on this May 2008 tour of England - "Jane Austen and the Romantics" - where literature will come to life.

This 10-day tour begins in Chawton where Austen wrote her major novels, and the cathedral city of Winchester where she died, then explores the historic city of Bath (*Northanger Abbey*, *Persuasion*), the seaside town of Lyme Regis (*Persuasion*) and the famed Chatsworth estate (*Pride and Prejudice*).

The trip continues to the scenic Lake District where some of the Romantic poets lived and wrote. Accommodation in delightful country inns, pub meals and in situ readings from the works of Austen and the poets make this trip stimulating and informative.

This trip is part of the University's

2008 Edutravel lineup that also includes: Ireland, "Its Land and Culture"; Vietnam and Cambodia, "From Hanoi to Siem Reap"; Tuscany, "Renaissance and Ramparts"; and a four-day trip to the art galleries of New York.

All Edutravel programs involve two to three pre-trip presentations where you will meet the Brock University trip host and fellow travellers, and learn more about your chosen destination. While on the trip, your host will team up with a travel guide and local destination guides to provide authentic learning experiences.

Trips are open to all adults and free information sessions will be planned for early fall. Space is limited.

For more information, please visit [www.brocku.ca/conted/edutavel](http://www.brocku.ca/conted/edutavel), or contact Wendy Laslo, Edutravel Co-ordinator, at 905-688-5550, ext. 5188; e-mail: [wlaslo@brocku.ca](mailto:wlaslo@brocku.ca)

## New program gets provincial funding

The Ministry of the Attorney General Victim Services Division recently awarded funding totalling \$75,000 to support a new and innovative one-year research project to assist women recovering from violence. "Shape Your Life" is a collaborative partnership between Assistant Professor Cathy van Ingen, Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology, and three Toronto-based organizations - Jessie's Centre for

Teenagers, Opportunity For Advancement, and the Toronto NewsGirls Boxing Club, Canada's only all-female boxing club. The project offers women who are survivors of violence an opportunity to build and enhance their self-confidence and increase their participation in their communities through a structured boxing project. Over the course of one year, 120 women aged 16 to 30 will take part in the program.

## Mediatalk People in the news

**Miriam Richards**, Associate Professor of Biological Sciences, was recently interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an Aug. 7 feature story on wasps, entitled "Unwelcome guests."

**Derek Foster**, Assistant Professor of Communications, Popular Culture and Film, was interviewed on AM 610 CKTB's "Drive Home" program on Aug. 8 about *The Simpsons Movie*. Foster was also interviewed by the *National Post* for its "Question Mark" column - "What does it mean to be Simpsonized?" - which appeared in the newspaper's Aug. 14 issue.

**Anthony Bogaert**, Professor and Chair of the Department of Community Health Sciences, was interviewed by the *Wall Street Journal* for an Aug. 10 story about how research by social scientists is derived from studying a narrow population: college students. In the article, "Too many studies use college students as their guinea pigs," Bogaert notes that "If you think all people have the same attitudes as introductory psychology students, that's really problematic."

**Gordon Hatt**, Director/Curator of the Rodman Hall Arts Centre, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an Aug. 10 article, entitled "Under the radar," about the Riverbrink Art Gallery in Queenston, which houses the Weir Collection, one of Niagara's finest collection of historical art.

**Garth Stevenson**, Professor of Political Science, was interviewed about Prime Minister Stephen Harper's cabinet shuffle on AM 610 CKTB's "Six o'clock News Hour" program on Aug. 13.

**Paul Hamilton**, Assistant Professor of Political Science, was interviewed on AM

610 CKTB's "Niagara at Noon" program on Aug. 16 about the under-representation of women in Prime Minister Stephen Harper's new cabinet.

**Antonia Kronlund**, Assistant Professor of Marketing, International Business and Strategy, was interviewed about the numerous recalls of China-related goods and their impact on consumer confidence on AM 610 CKTB's "Niagara at Noon" program on Aug. 16.

**David Sharron**, Head, Special Collections and University Archivist, and John Bonnett, Assistant Professor of History, were recently interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an Aug. 17 article about the digitization of 53 survey maps detailing the second Welland Canal from Port Dalhousie to Port Colborne. The article, entitled "Canal maps saved from trash now on Internet," notes that the maps were saved by John Jackson, Professor Emeritus of Geography, in the late 1980s. The maps are available for viewing at <http://images.ourontario.ca/brock/> - use the word "Welland" in the search field to see all the maps.

**Charles Burton**, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science, recently participated in the following media interviews and appearances:

- interviewed on CH TV's "Morning Live" program on Aug. 17 about the impact of the China recalls, short term and long term, on the country's reputation and economy.
- interviewed by the *Globe and Mail* for an Aug. 8 article, "Canada backs Taiwan's push for role in WHO: Move will annoy China, experts predict"

**Terrance Wade**, Canada Research Chair in the Department of Community Health Sciences, was interviewed by CTV National News for a segment on the diagnosis of hypertension in children. The segment initially aired on Aug. 21 on CTV National News with Lloyd Robertson, and was subsequently repeated on CTV Newsnet.

## Create a Positive Space this fall

The Positive Space Campaign Committee is pleased to announce new workshop dates for the Fall 2007 term at the St. Catharines campus:

- Monday, Sept. 10: 5 to 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, Sept. 19: 10 a.m. to 12 noon
- Friday, Sept. 28: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Tuesday, Oct. 2: 3 to 5 p.m.
- Wednesday, Oct. 17: 5 to 7 p.m.
- Monday, Oct. 29: 9 to 11 a.m.
- Thursday, Nov. 15: 4 to 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, Nov. 27: 12 noon to 2 p.m.

Positive Space workshops are free of charge and all interested Brock community members are welcome to attend - faculty, staff and students! This two-hour, interactive workshop will provide participants with the knowledge and comfort to become a "positive space" on campus and earns a postcard and/or button to designate oneself as a Positive Space. Please register in advance as seating is limited! Register by e-mail at [positivespace@brocku.ca](mailto:positivespace@brocku.ca)

The Positive Space Campaign at Brock University is an initiative intended to raise the visibility and number of respectful, supportive, educational and welcoming spaces for lesbian, gay, bi, trans, two-spirited, queer and questioning

(LGBTQ) students, staff and faculty. It is intended to help create a campus that is free of discrimination on the basis of sexual and gender identities and aims to foster a welcoming atmosphere on campus for people of all sexual orientations and gender identities.

This campaign is part of Brock University's commitment to promoting a respectful work and learning environment for all community members. For more information, please contact the Office of Human Rights and Equity Services at ext. 5657 or visit [www.brocku.ca/positivespace](http://www.brocku.ca/positivespace). Workshops for Hamilton Campus will be announced at a later date.

# Brock Briefs

## MA thesis defences

Social Justice and Equity Studies student Cheryl Athersych will present her thesis defence entitled "On the Edge: Exploring Homeless Women's Social Networks" on Friday, Aug. 31 at 10 a.m. in WH 147. Supervisor: Kate Bezanson; External Examiner: Ester Reiter, York University; Committee Member: June Corman; Chair: Karen Arnell

A Master of Arts thesis defence for Amy Patrick, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, will be held on Friday, Aug. 24 at 9 a.m. in WH 147. The title of her thesis is "Youth's Experiences of Motivation in School Physical Education and Sport." Supervisor: Jamie Mandigo; External Examiner: Enrique Garcia Bengochea, McGill University; Committee Members: Phil Sullivan, Lisa Kikulis; Chair: Diane Mack. All are welcome!

## Faculty and Staff

### CHEMISTRY

**Tomas Hudlicky** recently presented the following lectures:

- "Chemoenzymatic synthesis of morphine and amaryllidaceae alkaloids" at Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic, July 2007
- "Biocatalytic synthesis of morphine and amaryllidaceae alkaloids" at Yeditepe University, Istanbul, Turkey, June 2007.
- "Chemoenzymatic synthesis of alkaloids". Plenary lecture at the International Conference on Organic Chemistry, Erzurum, Turkey, June 2007

**Tomas Hudlicky** also gave a week-long short course entitled "Design for Organic Synthesis" at Zentiva, Inc., Prague, Czech Republic, in October 2006.

### COMMUNITY HEALTH SCIENCES

**Dan Malleck** presented a paper entitled "Women Behind Bars: Myth, Reality, Gender and Drinking in Post-Prohibition Ontario, 1927-1944," at the American Historical Association Pacific Coast Branch Conference, Honolulu, Hawaii, on July 26.

**Dan Malleck** also presented a paper entitled "Community action, public drinking and liquor regulation in Ontario" at Global Approaches: The Fourth International Alcohol and Drug History Conference at the University of Guelph, on Aug. 12.

### FINANCE, OPERATIONS and INFORMATION SYSTEMS

The "Sustainability Assessment of Emerging Technologies in the Oil Sands Industry" research paper of **Anthony Halog** has been accepted for oral presentation in the "Sustainable Operations" session of the 57th Canadian Chemical Engineering Conference, Edmonton, Alta., to be held Oct. 28 to 31, 2007.

**Anthony Halog's** research paper, "An Eco-efficiency Approach for Assessing Sustainable Value of Supply Networks," has been accepted for oral presentation at the 2007 International Conference on Business and Sustainability - "Sustainability in the Supply Chain," to be held Nov. 2 and 3, 2007, in Portland, Ore. This year's conference features leading industry practitioners and academic scholars in the area of sustainability in the supply chain. This international meeting is co-organized by the Centre for Sustainable Processes and Practices, and the Design and Innovation for Business and Sustainability Centre, Portland State University.

### GEOGRAPHY

**Christopher Fullerton** presented two papers at the 42nd Annual Conference of the Canadian Transportation Research Forum in Winnipeg, Man., June 3 to 6. The first paper was entitled "Maintaining and Expanding Public Transit Ridership Levels: Findings and Research Implications of an Ottawa Commuter Survey." The second paper, "Exploring the Impacts of a Universal Transit Program: A Case Study of Brock University," was co-authored with three current and former Geography undergraduate students, **Kathryn Gold**, **Katie Hemsworth** and **Amy Ward**.

**Fullerton** also presented a paper, entitled "Quality Matters: Promoting Community Revitalization in Rural and Remote Settings," at the Sixth Quadrennial Conference of British, Canadian, and American Rural Geographers, held in Spokane, Wash., from July 15 to 20.

### HISTORY

**Elizabeth Neswald** recently presented the following papers:

- "'The Benefits of a Mechanics' Institute and the Blessings of Temperance.' Science and Temperance in mid-nineteenth-century Ireland," at the meeting of the Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science, Saskatoon, Sask., May 2007.
- "Hydrography in Cork," at the meeting of the British Society for the History of Science, Manchester, UK, July 2007.
- "Cultural Geographies of Scientific Itinerancy in nineteenth-century Ireland," at the conference "Varieties of Cultural History. Mapping the Terrain," Aberdeen, Scotland, July 2007.

### MARKETING, INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND STRATEGY

**Maxim Voronov** presented a paper entitled "OD as a Dominated Field" at the Annual Meeting of the Academy of Management, Philadelphia, Pa., August 2007.

### MATHEMATICS

**Thomas Wolf** recently made the following presentations

- "Computer algebra challenges from the search for 3-dimensional scalar discrete integrable equations" in the session "Symbolic Symmetry Analysis and Its Applications" and a talk "About a Computer Algebra-Based Online Mathtest" in the session "Computer Algebra in Education" at Oakland University, Rochester, Mich. at the International Conference on Applications of Computer Algebra, held July 21 to 22. (<http://www2.oakland.edu/aca/sessions.cfm>)
- "About parallelizing the search for 3-dim. scalar discrete integrable equations" at the PASCO'07 conference on Parallel Symbolic Computing, held July 27 and 28 at the University of Western Ontario, London, Ont.

**Chantal Buteau** delivered a paper, co-authored with John Viperman, entitled "Melodic Clustering Within Motivic Spaces: Visualization in OpenMusic and Application to Schumann's *Träumerei*," at the Mathematics and Computation in Music International Conference held in Berlin (Germany) from May 18 to 20. At this event, Buteau also participated in the Comparative Computational Analysis sessions in which she contributed two talks entitled "Computational Analysis Workshop: Comparing 4 different Approaches to Motivic Analysis" (C.

## Fall Recreation Services Guide is now available

Register early for Fall programs at ext. 4060 with Visa or MasterCard. Don't be disappointed. For details, visit our website at: [www.brocku.ca/recserve](http://www.brocku.ca/recserve)

Personal training, fitness, spinning, dance, yoga, pilates, first aid/CPR, and more available.

## Technology in university mathematics instruction

*Mathematicians' views on technology use in university mathematics teaching* will be presented by Zsolt Lavicza from the University of Cambridge. It will take place on Thursday, Sept. 20 at 4 p.m. (room TBA on website). The talk is jointly sponsored by the Department of Mathematics and the Pre-Service Department of the Faculty of Education. For more information, see [www.brocku.ca/mathematics/comingevents/](http://www.brocku.ca/mathematics/comingevents/)

Buteau, K. Adiloglu, C. Anagnostopoulou, O. Lartillot) and "Topological Model of Motivic Analysis: Approach and Application to Schumann's *Träumerei*" (Buteau).

**Prof. H. E. Bell** was a main speaker at the International Conference on Near-rings and Near-fields held at Johannes Kepler University, Linz, Austria, from July 23 to 27. His title was "Commutativity results: a tasting menu."

**Hichem Ben-El-Mechaiekh** has been nominated as an Associate Editor on the editorial board of the journal *Fixed Point Theory and Applications*, Hindawi Publishing Corporation.

### SOCIOLOGY

**June Corman** recently gave the following presentations:

- "Gendered Segregation in the Teaching Labour Force: A Century of Change," at the American Sociology Association, in New York, N.Y., on Aug. 12.
- "Support Systems in Farm Communities," at the International Sociology Association, Family and Health Section, held May 11, in Toronto

The Brock Sociology Department was well represented at the Society for the Study of Social Problems, which was meeting in parallel with the American Sociological Association in New York, N.Y.

At the Society for the Study of Social Problems conference, **Dan Glenday** presented a paper titled "Want to Float My Boat: Gay Men's Pro Wrestling Sexual Fantasies".

At the American Sociological Association, the following presentations were made:

- **June Corman** presented "Gender Stratification in the Teaching Workforce of Saskatchewan from 1905 to 2005."
- **Ann Duffy** presented "Midlife Women and Paid Employment: The Right Place and the Right Time."
- **Jane Helleiner** presented "Serving Americans: Tourism, Money and Canadian Nationalism at Niagara."
- **Mary Beth Raddon** co-presented with former undergraduate sociology students, Caleb Nault and Alexis Scott, on their innovative teaching strategies in a paper titled "Learning by Doing: Teaching Qualitative Methods through a Complete Research Project". Scott will be entering the MA in Social Justice and Equity Studies at Brock University. Both students were involved in the researching and editing of the BUSU publication, "Knowing Students," a collection of undergraduate essays on student life.

### WORKPLACE HEALTH AND RESEARCH LABORATORY

**John Yardley** was a teaching faculty at the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario Creating Healthy Work Environments Summer Institute at the Delta Pinestone Resort, in Haliburton, Ont. He co-taught two sessions with Caroline Brereton, V.P. People and Corporate Support Services, Trillium Health Centre, entitled: "Creating Healthy Work Environments: Steps to Making it a Reality" and "Creating Healthy Work Environments: Strategic Planning Framework for Workplace Revitalization."

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**Yuen, W. K.**, Farrar, T. J., and **Rothstein, S. M.** (2007). "No-compromise reptation quantum Monte Carlo," *Journal of Physics A: Mathematical and Theoretical*, 40 F639-F646.

## Events

**Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW):** On Tuesday, Sept. 11, CFUW St. Catharines will hold its September meeting: members' and guests' Reception at 7 p.m., Mountainview United Church, 150 Glendale Ave. New members are welcome. For more information call 905-935-5674 or visit [www.vaxxine.com/cfuwstcatharines](http://www.vaxxine.com/cfuwstcatharines)

## Classified

**For rent:** First floor of a raised bungalow, immaculate condition, by the escarpment, close to Brock. Available Sept. 1, \$750/month with all utilities included. Ideal for a couple. For more information, call 905-321-4523.

**For sale:** Kenmore Super Capacity Plus washer and dryer (electric). Good condition! \$350 or best offer for both! Call Tim or Mary at 905-892-1416.

**For sale:** (1) Bar fridge, excellent condition \$100; (2) Drop-leaf desk and chair, solid maple \$100; (3) Futon frame, wooden, single \$50; (4) Drapery track, expandable to 14 feet \$50. Call 905-892-8377.



# BrockNews

A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## Administrative shuffle results from Owen's departure



Michael Owen

Michael Owen, Associate Vice-President, Research and International Development, will leave Brock later this month to take on the role of Vice-President,

Research and Graduate Studies, at the Ontario College of Art and Design.

After seven years at Brock, including three as Associate Vice-President, Research and International Development, Owen is pleased with how far the University has come.

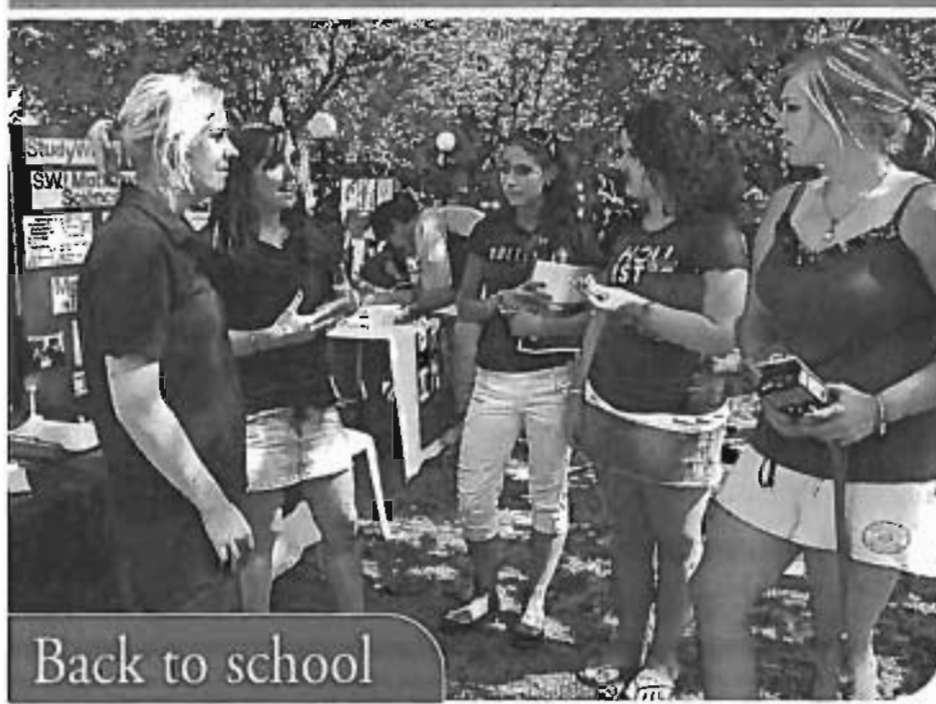
"While our sponsored research funding has certainly grown (\$1.5 million in 2000 and now in excess of \$13 million)," Owen noted that research intensity is measured by more than dollars. "It is more an attitude of faculty members for whom research, scholarship and creativity are integral components of their lives. The growth of research funding and the transformation of the University can be attributed to the influx of faculty who see research and scholarship as a wall-to-wall activity."

"Moreover, we have also made significant strides in our capacity to support researchers — from the idea through to the innovation," he says. "The in-depth nature and the quality of the research that our faculty are able to do has been increased through several factors, including the significant growth of graduate programs."

With Owen's departure, a shift in responsibilities will occur in the Faculty of Mathematics and Science. Ian Brindle, currently Dean of Mathematics and Science, will become Interim Associate Vice-President, Research and International Development on Oct. 1.

Joffre Mercier, Department of Biological Sciences, will take on the role as Interim Dean of Mathematics and Science. Rick Cheel, Department of Earth Sciences, has been elected to the position of Associate Dean, Mathematics and Science.

"These administrative changes will help Brock continue its forward movement in the areas of research and international development," says Terry Boak, Provost and Vice-President, Academic. "The appointments of Joffre (Mercier) and Rick (Cheel) will also assist the Faculty of Mathematics and Science to maintain its level of excellence in providing quality leadership for students and faculty."



Back to school

Students are back on campus as the Fall semester gets underway. New students have a lot to take in, from getting informed about available academic services to learning to find their classrooms.

## CFI awards \$83,884 to Brock professor in support of language processing research

The Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) has awarded \$83,884 to Brock University to support a research project led by neurolinguist and Assistant Professor of Applied Linguistics Veena D. Dwivedi.

According to Dwivedi, her CFI-funded project, "A Neurophysiological Investigation of Language Processing" will examine "the real-time processing of language - what your brain is doing on a millisecond per millisecond basis during language comprehension, and how the different subcomponents of language, syntax and semantics interact in this process."

Dwivedi directs the Psycholinguistics and Neurocognition of Language Lab, the only language processing lab of its kind in southern Ontario. The funding provided by CFI for Dwivedi's research will greatly complement the existing critical mass of research expertise in electrophysiology that already exists at the University, including the newly constructed Jack and Nora Walker Canadian Centre for Lifespan Development Research.

"This is probably the best place in Canada to conduct this kind of research," says Dwivedi, "because we have the technical expertise here, as well as the collegial environment that is special to Brock, in order to conduct studies in language comprehension that also examine where in the brain processing is happening, as well as how this process changes as we age."

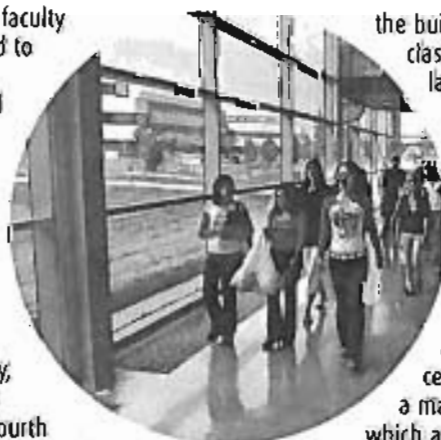
"I am very pleased that the CFI recognizes Brock University as a leader in this type of cutting-edge research," says St. Catharines MP Rick Dykstra. "By this investment in Dr. Dwivedi's work, the CFI is supporting the types of innovative projects that will produce tangible benefits for our society."

The Brock award was part of the latest round of CFI funding, which awarded \$26 million to fund a total of 136 projects at 40 institutions across Canada.

For more information visit: [www.brocku.ca](http://www.brocku.ca) and click on "More News."

## Plaza Building official opening

Brock University faculty and staff are invited to celebrate in the official opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony of the new Plaza Building and the Jack and Nora Walker Canadian Centre for Lifespan Development Research on Tuesday, Sept. 18 from 11 to 11:45 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Plaza Building. The Plaza Building, generously supported through private donations and government funding, is an 86,000-square-foot environmentally friendly building home to the Campus Store, the Jack and Nora Walker Canadian Centre for Lifespan Development Research and the Departments of Economics and Political Science. With an emphasis on inviting and stimulating spaces for student gatherings,



the building also provides classroom space, computer labs and seminar rooms. The Jack and Nora Walker Canadian Centre for Lifespan Development Research is a multidisciplinary collaborative effort dedicated to studying human development across the lifespan. The centre, unique in Canada, is a major initiative at Brock in which approximately 50 faculty members - from Social Sciences, Applied Health Sciences, Education, Humanities, Education, Business, Mathematics and Science - and 40 community and government agencies, collaborate to investigate psychological, social, health, neurophysiological and educational aspects of life from infancy to old age.

An open house of research laboratories will also be held from 1:30 to 4 p.m.

## BrockDays 2007

Plan to be part of the Brock Days tradition as the University holds its annual Community and Homecoming Celebration from Sept. 20 to 30. Enjoy the best Brock and Niagara have to offer as once again the University partners with the award-winning Niagara Wine Festival.

Everyone is invited to the official Brock Days Kick Off beginning at noon on Friday, Sept. 21. Enjoy a free performance by Flat Broke, a barbecue for \$3 and the annual grape stomp. Flat Broke specializes in the classic rock hits of the '60s, '70s, '80s and today with a repertoire of more than 300 songs from The Beatles, Stones to Bob Marley, The Police and countless others. Tickets for the barbecue are available through the Centre for the Arts Box Office.

This year, our Lunchtime Music Series expands to include an entire week of music during the lunch hour and features many of our very own Brock faculty and staff. We'll kick off on Monday, Sept. 24 with Vince Wilson, Sept. 25 will feature Michael Chess, Sept. 26 will feature the Lunchtime Jammers, Sept. 27 will feature Jonathan Earp and we will end the week in Isaac's on Sept. 28.

CCOVI will once again host a series of lunch-and-learn wine sessions for faculty and staff beginning the week of Sept. 24. Tickets are \$10 each and available by calling CCOVI directly at ext. 4652. Get your tickets soon - these sessions are limited to 16 participants and are sure to be sold out!



On Thursday, Sept. 27, Centre for the Arts presents Classic Albums Live: Bruce Springsteen - Born to Run. This performance is a live note-for-note recital of the breakthrough album from "The Boss" followed by a showcase of his hits. Note for Note. Cut for Cut. Tickets went on sale to the general public on Sept. 4 and can be purchased through the Centre for the Arts Box Office.

On the evening of Sept. 28, a very special event will take place on campus. Tribute! A new Brock Days tradition will recognize the achievements, in seriousness and in jest, of one of our long-standing staff members - Jamie Fleming, Director of Residences. Tickets are \$40 each and are available by calling the Centre for the Arts Box Office. Following the Tribute event, the annual Brock University Alumni Association pub night will take place in Isaac's.

Saturday, Sept. 29, downtown St. Catharines is the place to be - the Grande Parade will take place in the morning and the Brock tent will be in Montebello Park in the afternoon as part of the Niagara Wine Festival. There are lots of activities, giveaways and reunions planned for the afternoon. We hope to see you there!

For information on the full list of Brock Days events please visit: [www.brocku.ca/brockdays](http://www.brocku.ca/brockdays)



# Brock rolls out welcome mat for off-campus students

Roughly 8,000 off-campus students are attending Brock University this year, and new and existing initiatives are available to welcome them to Niagara and to encourage engagement in their neighbourhoods.

Brad Clarke, Off-Campus Housing Officer, says that Brock's focus on off-campus living is a strong indicator of the University's commitment to the overall student experience while being a strong community partner in Niagara. Brock is one of a handful of colleges and universities in Canada that has an office that focuses on off-campus student living and neighbourhood relations. The office was initiated in 2003 in recognition of the importance of fostering student success off-campus and the role which Brock can play in helping students to become positive and engaged citizens.

Some of the new initiatives for off-campus students include:

- Student welcome kits that will be delivered to 1,000 student households in September. The kits include information about issues that relate to student housing, waste management, volunteering, shopping, responsible partying and much more.
- Project Badger, in which students are hired to patrol the neighbourhoods around Brock University and identify property standards violations such as grass that is too long or garbage that is strewn on the lawn. The students, trained by St. Catharines and Thorold bylaw officers, contact the landlords to report violations.
- The Student Civic Pride campaign that starts in September and encourages students to become engaged citizens and positive community members. Key messages will be delivered through advertising and public relations initiatives that will feature graduates and community and student leaders.
- Welcome Wagon, where student, University and community representatives go door to door to welcome students to their new neighbourhoods and answer questions the students or residents may have.

## Some of the existing initiatives include:

- The Brock Off-Campus Society, an organization run through the Brock University Students' Union with the goal of providing social programming and supports for students living off-campus. Members also participate in a variety of community events and charitable initiatives throughout the year.
- The Good Neighbour Guide that is distributed to 45,000 homes in St. Catharines and Thorold during Orientation Week and at other events throughout the year.
- Great Neighbour Week, which takes place in mid-October. Off-campus students are encouraged to meet and offer to help their neighbours and clean up their properties, activities that are encouraged year round.
- Community Connections, which is dedicated to fostering, promoting and providing engagement opportunities for Brock students that encourage personal learning experiences and enrich the Brock and Niagara communities. Launched in September 2006, the program had 1,800 registrants in its first year. It is estimated that 35 per cent of these were off-campus students. Some of the events and organizations in which students participated were Shinerama, Brock Days, Walk for Heart, United Way, CIBC Run for the Cure, Adopt-A-Road, graffiti cleanups, dragon boat races, Walk for Juvenile Diabetes, Out of the Cold program, and many others.

Clarke said that the majority of students today prefer to live in smaller groups rather than in environments made famous by such movies as *Animal House*. He credits that with the fact that many students come from smaller families and are accustomed to fewer people in a household, and that they want to focus more on their studies. Landlords, he added, have tailored the length of their leases, offering four-month leases for co-op students and eight-month leases for the academic year, instead of the standard year-long lease.

# Recruitment already underway for 2008-09

The 2007-08 academic year has barely begun, and Brock University is already busy recruiting students for 2008-09.

One of the events that University representatives will be attending is the Ontario Universities' Fair at the Metro Convention Centre in downtown Toronto on Sept. 28 to 30. About 100 volunteers — faculty, staff and students — will be on hand to field questions about Brock from prospective students and their families.

"This is a huge event for us," says Beth Natale, Director, Recruitment and Retention. "There have been close to 80,000 attendees at the fair in previous years and having a strong Brock contingent allows us to address all of the questions that students may have."

Future students will be able to speak directly with faculty members about academic programs, gain a student's perspective about life at Brock, or talk to staff

professionals about topics as varied as admissions, scholarships and financial aid, residence options, varsity athletics, clubs, and recreation.

"This will be a one-stop shopping environment," says Natale, "and our aim is to generate excitement about all that Brock has to offer."

For more information about the Ontario Universities' Fair, please visit [www.ouf.ca](http://www.ouf.ca)



## Faculty and staff campaign

This year's campus campaign for the new Learning Commons was launched in August with two lunch-and-learn sessions. A final lunch and learn is being held today, Sept. 12. Solicitation letters have been sent out to all faculty and staff and if you have not yet received your package, please contact Sheila Morrison at ext. 4190.

To date, parents, graduates, senior administration and Trustees

have already started the groundswell of support. All faculty and staff who contribute to the annual campus campaign by the end of September will be eligible to win a prize package. The grand prize includes a 7.2 mega pixel Sony digital camera with an added 1 GB memory stick and a Sony colour photo printer. Watch for the winner to be announced early in October.



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## Mark your calendars for the following Community Connections Events!

### Brock Adopt-a-Road Cleanup

Join students, staff and faculty in our Super Saturday Cleanup! Brock has adopted the roads around the University as part of the Region's Adopt-a-Road Program. Please join us on Saturday, Sept. 22, from 1 to 3 p.m. as we work together to clean up our local neighbourhoods (Glenridge Avenue and St. David's Road areas). Volunteers are asked to meet in Jubilee Courtyard at 1 p.m. All supplies will be provided and long pants and running shoes are recommended. If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information, please contact Kristen Smith, Community Connections, at ext. 3845.

### CIBC Run for the Cure

Please join the Brock University Team for the CIBC Run for the Cure on Sunday, Sept. 30 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at Grantham Lions Park in St. Catharines. The walk/run will take place along the canal. Bring a colleague, friends or family to this great community event! If you are interested in joining Brock's Team, please contact Community Connections at ext. 4000 or e-mail us at [community@brocku.ca](mailto:community@brocku.ca). Not able to attend but want to support the cause? Please visit [www.cibcrunfortheure.com](http://www.cibcrunfortheure.com) to sponsor the Brock University team.

### World record-breaking walk

Mark your calendars to break a world record! On Wednesday, Oct.

3, at 12:30 p.m. participants from all over Ontario will be walking to break a world record. Brock University will be one of more than 3,000 sites across the province that are taking part, so grab your running shoes, join in the 1 km walk and help us break the record! The current record was set in September 2006 by Western Australia, with 100,915 participants. Meet in front of the Schmon Tower at 12:15 p.m., bring your friends and colleagues — there are prizes to be won and records to be broken!

For more information, contact Kristen Smith at ext. 3845 or [skristen@brocku.ca](mailto:skristen@brocku.ca)

### Shop for Jobs 2007

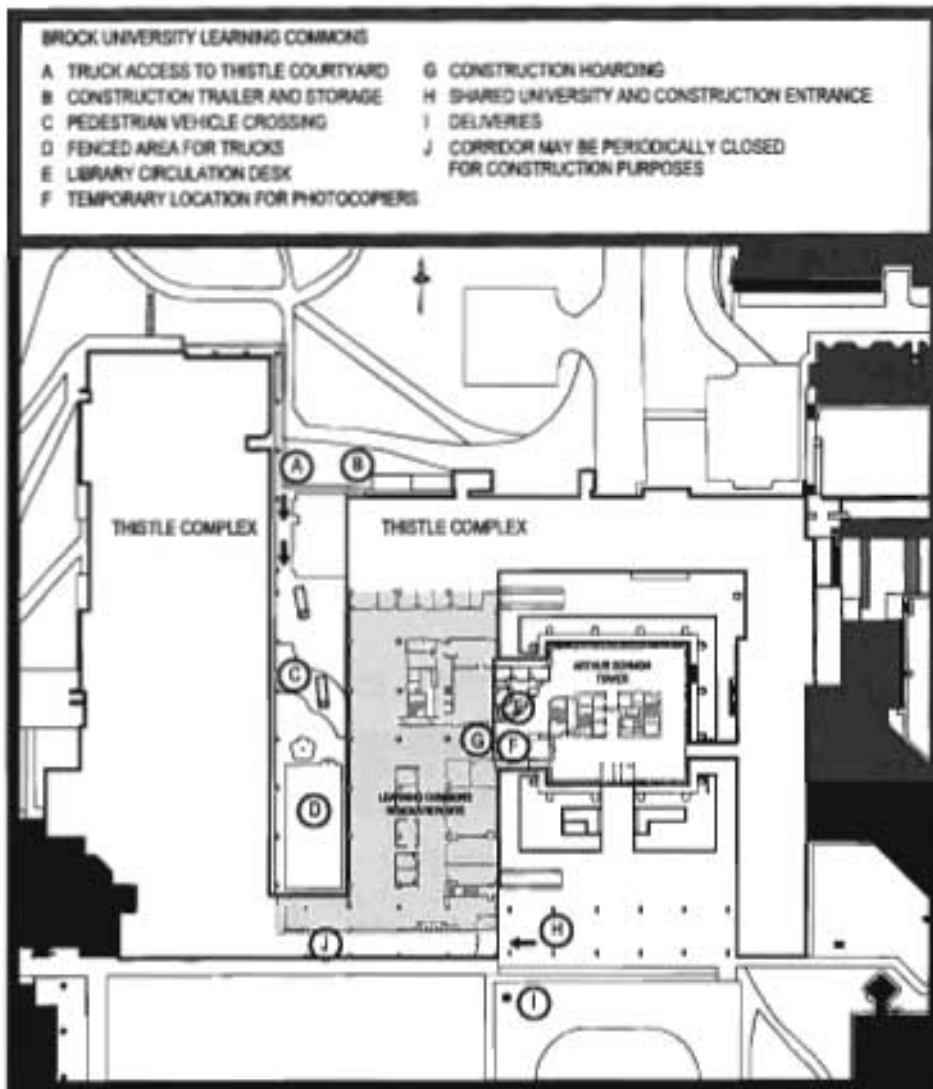
On Tuesday, Sept. 18, Brock University will collaborate with Niagara College and the Pen Centre to host their annual part-time "Shop for Jobs" fair at the Pen Centre. The event will take place from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Students from Brock University and Niagara College will have the chance to visit the Pen Centre, résumés in hand, to speak with representatives of participating retail stores. This event provides students the opportunity to meet with store managers face to face, introduce themselves and display their skills to potential employers.

For more information on this event, please contact Lisa Kuiper, Employer Development Co-ordinator at [lkuiper@brocku.ca](mailto:lkuiper@brocku.ca) or visit [www.brocku.ca/careers](http://www.brocku.ca/careers)



# Renovation for the Learning Commons now underway



The Learning Commons renovation has begun. Completion is expected in April 2008. The plan above shows the construction site and identifies surrounding areas where you may encounter construction personnel and vehicles. Please stand aside or take an alternate route if asked to do so by workers. Your safety and the successful completion of our new facility are their priorities. The fire alarm

replacement in the Schmon Tower and Thistle Complex is part of the same project and will run until August 2008. Over this period electricians may be encountered working in every space of these buildings.

If you have any questions about the project or interaction with the construction process, please contact Scott Roper, ext. 4778, or [sroper@brocku.ca](mailto:sroper@brocku.ca)

## Library service maintained during Learning Commons construction

The James A. Gibson Library has moved many of its main floor resources and services to upper floors in an effort to minimize disruptions and maintain service during the Learning Commons construction period. The Learning Commons will encompass the upper level of the former Book Store and the entire main floor of the Library.

The Research Help Desk and reference collection are now housed temporarily on Floor 6. Computers, printers, study tables and carrels have been dispersed throughout Floors 5, 6 and 7. Interlibrary Loan staff are working temporarily in Sound and

Video on Floor 5, and the reference librarians have moved permanently to offices on Floor 11.

In order to accommodate the essential main floor services on the upper floors, some of the Library's print journals have been moved into temporary storage. Most of these journals are available electronically and can be accessed from any remote location. Full details are available on the Library's home page at [www.library.brocku.ca/](http://www.library.brocku.ca/)

Loan services (circulation, reserves, interlibrary loan) will continue to be delivered from the main floor during the construction period.

## Luso-Hispanic Cultural Week

The Department of Modern Languages and Cultures and Brock International are pleased to present Luso-Hispanic Cultural Week from Sept. 24 to Sept. 29. This event aims to celebrate two ancient and influential cultures in the world: the Portuguese and the Hispanic cultures.

The Luso-Hispanic Cultural Week will include a great variety of events such as a multilingual reading marathon, academic colloquiums and musical performances.

Representatives from the Mexican and the Portuguese consulates in Toronto will participate in the academic colloquiums and other events.

Students, faculty and staff are invited to participate in all activities.

If you have additional questions about these events or the Luso-Hispanic Cultural Week, please contact Professor Irene Blayer at [blayer@brocku.ca](mailto:blayer@brocku.ca) or Professor Felipe Ruan at [fruan@brocku.ca](mailto:fruan@brocku.ca)

## Mediatalk

People in the news

**Mohammad Ayadi**, Associate Professor of Finance, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an Aug. 17 article about the so-called global "credit crunch" affecting world markets, "Credit being repriced." Ayadi was also interviewed by the *Hamilton Spectator* for an Aug. 17 story on the same topic, entitled "Diversity will help stabilize mutual funds."

A study conducted by **Tony Shaw**, Associate Professor of Geography, on the energy efficiency of structural insulated panels (SIPs) used in the construction of houses, was referenced in an Aug. 18 *Toronto Star* article, "Insulation innovation holds promise for true efficiency."

**Barry Grant**, Professor of Communications, Popular Culture and Film, was interviewed for a story about drive-in movie theatres that was published in the Aug. 18 issue of the *Globe and Mail*, entitled "Movie paradise by the dashboard light." In the article, Grant notes that "Drive-ins are the Tim Hortons of cinema."

**Yusef Haj-Ahmad**, Professor of Biological Sciences, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an Aug. 22 news brief — "Bio-tech company moves to new quarters" — about the relocation of his Niagara-based biotechnology company, Norgen Biotech, to a 22,000-square-foot building containing eight laboratories on Schmon Parkway in Thorold.

**Charles Burton**, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science, recently published a letter in the Aug. 24 issue of the *National Post*, entitled "Just say no to 'Made in China'."

**Kimberly Cole**, Associate Professor of Psychology and Director of the Sleep Research Laboratory at Brock, was interviewed by *Business Edge* magazine for an Aug. 24 article about power naps and workplace fatigue, entitled "If I sleep on the job, will I get more done?"

**John Middleton**, Associate Professor in the Department of Tourism and

Environment, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an Aug. 24 article about bottled water, "Debate flows over bottled water; is it really any better for you?" In the article, Middleton notes that the trend of choosing bottled water over tap could be detrimental to the current water system. He says "If we allow ourselves to think that tap water isn't safe, then we risk losing a safe, drinkable water system." The article was also reprinted in the Aug. 24 issue of the *Niagara Falls Review*, "Drink of choice."

**Lorenzo Cherubini**, Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Education's Pre-service Department, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an Aug. 25 article about the challenges that new teachers face in landing a full-time teaching job, entitled "Speaking the language of learning."

**Kathryn Belicki**, Professor and Chair of the Department of Psychology, was a guest on the Burlington-based television station CTS's program "On the Line" on Aug. 29, where she discussed her research on forgiveness.

**Veena Dwivedi**, Associate Professor of Applied Linguistics, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an Aug. 30 news brief about her Canadian Foundation for Innovation (CFI)-funded project "A Neurophysiological Investigation of Language Processing." In the article, "\$84K grant will go toward language study," Dwivedi notes that "What I want to know is: How do people understand language? What is the brain doing?"

**James Heap**, Dean of the Faculty of Education, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a "Niagara Landmarks" feature article about the history and evolution of the Faculty of Education, entitled "Teachers college once housed in old factory." In the article, Heap notes that the Robert S. K. Welch Hall will be renovated and four storeys will be added directly to the south of the building. He says: "The centre of all this expansion work and of renovation is consistent with our effort to be a learning faculty and that means putting learning at the centre of everything we do."

## Glass named new Managing Director of Dining Services



Iain Glass

has been appointed Director responsible for Food Services on campus. Glass will join Tom Arkell in working with the Department of Dining Services (formally Sodexo) to manage the day-to-day affairs, focus on increased level of service and quality, and to pursue the

development of new food services facilities on campus. Iain will also be responsible for the University's bar services and the Pepsi contract. Glass has extensive experience in the food industry at various institutions, most recently as Food Manager with McMaster University, prior to joining Brock in 1999 as Associate Director of Conference and Event Services.

In relation to this move, Wendy Laslo has accepted a one-year appointment as Acting Associate Director of Conference and Event Services.

## Fall Swim at Brock University

Register for Brock's Fall Swim Lesson Program in person at the Walker Complex or by telephone at ext. 4060.

Fall swimming program registration for children, students and adults is underway and registration will be

taken until classes are full. The program starts Saturday, Sept. 15.

For programs and schedules, please visit [www.brocku.ca/aquatics](http://www.brocku.ca/aquatics)

For more information, please call ext. 4060 or 3787.

## Faculty and Staff

### CHEMISTRY

**Costa Metallinos** presented a lecture entitled "Reduced Heterocycles in the Synthesis of Benzimidazolylidenes and Aminoferrrocenes" at the International Conference on Organic Chemistry (Erzurum, Turkey) and Yeditepe University (Istanbul, Turkey) in June 2007.

**Paul Zelisko** made the following presentations in recent months:

- "Enzyme-Mediated Silicone Chemistry" (co-authored with Karen R. Arnelien, Heidi Stanisic, Travis Dudding) at the 40th Silicon Symposium, held in Victoria, B.C., from May 31 to June 2.
- "Enzyme-Mediated Cross-Linking of Silicone Polymers" (co-authored with Karen Arnelien, Travis Dudding, Razvan Simionescu, and Heidi Stanisic) at the 234th ACS National Meeting, Polymer Division held in Boston, Maine, from Aug. 19 to 23.
- "Silicones and Proteins: A Tale of Two Polymers," at the Dow Corning Corporation, Midland, Mich., on June 21.
- "Protein-Silicone Interactions," at State University of New York at Buffalo on Feb. 21.

### COMMUNICATIONS, POPULAR CULTURE AND FILM

In August, **Barry Keith Grant** was a William B. Evans Visiting Fellow at the University of Otago in Dunedin, New Zealand. As a Visiting Fellow, he presented a public lecture ("Crisis!? What Crisis?: Masculinity in American Genre Films"), delivered the keynote address ("Children of the Day: New Sexual Horror Films") during a one-day symposium on genre and culture, offered a workshop for faculty and postgraduate students on publishing their work, taught classes for the Department of Communication, Media and Film Studies and the Department of Music, and consulted with faculty on curriculum development in the field of Popular Culture. He also presented the public lecture at the Power Institute, University of Sydney, Australia, and hosted a workshop for faculty and students on gender and genre for the Department of Art History and Film Studies.

### HISTORY

**Elizabeth Neswald** recently spoke on: "Divine Machines" at the research colloquium of the Department of Physics, University of Oldenburg, Germany, June 2007.

**Elizabeth Neswald** also presented a paper on "Science, Temperance and the Improvement of Ireland", at Global Approaches: Fourth International Conference on the History of Alcohol and Drugs, Guelph, August 2007.

### MATHEMATICS

**Hichem Ben-El-Mechaiekh** presented an invited lecture entitled "Strong Approximation for Set-Valued Maps and Equilibria Without Convexity" at the International Conference on Nonlinear Operators, Differential Equations and Applications, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, held July 4 to 8.

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## Events

**Special presentation:** "Islands," a talk by Professor Juergen Kramer, University of Dortmund will be held on Friday, Sept. 14 at 3 p.m. in GL 201 (573 Glenridge Road). This lecture is sponsored by the Humanities Research Institute, Studies in Comparative Literature and Arts and the English Department.

**ENCORE!** The Department of Music presents its first professional concert of the 2007-2008 series with An Evening of Chamber Music featuring three members of Brock's Music faculty and two members of SUNY Fredonia's Music faculty. This performance features an eclectic mix of fun contemporary pieces with uplifting classical works, highlighted by the Brahms Horn Trio performed with tuba. Tickets available through the Centre for the Arts Box Office, ext. 3257.

**Brock University Film Society (BUFS)** is pleased to announce the opening of the 2007-2008 season. Once again, BUFS will bring to the region contemporary independent, international and Canadian films. Films are screened Sunday evenings in the David S. Howes Theatre, Brock University at 7 p.m.

The first of our 22 presentations is *Introducing the Dwights (Clubland)* (Cherie Nolan, Australia, 2007, 109 mins. 14A). This coming-of-age dramedy was a hit of the Sundance film festival, and stars the luminescent Brenda Blethyn as a standup comedienne with less-than-perfect timing.

Other early season highlights include the Canadian satire *Fido* (Andrew Currie, Canada, 2007, 96 mins. 14A), a zombie film like you've never seen before, and Christian Bale's much heralded performance in the POW drama *Rescue Dawn* (Werner Herzog, 2007, U.S., 120 mins. 14A), based on a true story. On Oct. 28, BUFS is very proud to present *Waitress* the acclaimed comedy starring Keri Russell and Andy Griffith, which is known not only for its charm and wit, but also for the tragic death of the writer and director, Adrienne Shelly, before the film's breakthrough at Sundance.

To see the complete early fall lineup, please visit the BUFS website [www.brocku.ca/cpcf](http://www.brocku.ca/cpcf) and click on the links.

The annual BUFS membership fee is \$22 or two for \$40. Membership provides reduced admission, \$6 to each screening and the reduced parking fee of \$3. Members also receive discounts from numerous local merchants. The cost of non-member tickets for individual films is \$8. Non-member parking (Lot D) is \$5. College and university student tickets are \$6. High school students can purchase \$5 tickets in association with the eyeGO To The Arts program. See our website for details.

Memberships may be obtained at the door or from the Brock Centre for the Arts Box Office, Centre for the Arts, ext. 3257 (hours 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday to Friday).

For more information, please contact Amanda Bishop, Operations Manager, ext. 3553.

### Centre for the Arts: 2007/08 lineup

Tickets for the 2007/2008 Professional Entertainment Season are currently on sale to the general public.

For more information regarding Front and Centre membership or any of the great shows in the 2007/2008 season, please contact the Box Office at ext. 3257, or visit [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca). All performances start at 7:30 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre, unless otherwise stated.

#### SEPTEMBER 2007

Classic Albums Live: Bruce Springsteen - Born to Run, Sept. 27.

#### OCTOBER 2007

Colin James - Up Close, Personal and Slightly Unplugged, Oct. 4; High Steel - Directed and Co-Written by Mary Walsh with music by Ron Hynes, Oct. 10; James Devine's TAPEIRE - Driven by Rhythm, Oct. 17; Manteca Reunion!, Oct. 19; Dave and Ian Thomas - Brothers Forever!, Oct. 20; Tower of Power - We Want the Funk!, Oct. 24; The Barra MacNeils - 20th Anniversary Tour, Oct. 31.

#### NOVEMBER 2007

Paul Taylor Dance Company - Taylor 2, Nov. 3 (David S. Howes Theatre); Blackie and the Rodeo Kings with Luke Doucet, Nov. 21; International Guitar Night, Nov. 28; The Standard OrchEXTRA Series - Shower the People: The Music of James Taylor featuring the Niagara Symphony and the Jeans 'n Classics Band, Nov. 29.

#### DECEMBER 2007

Denzal Sinclair and Stephan Moccio, Dec. 1; John McDermott, Dec. 2, 2:30 p.m.; Jose Feliciano - One Night Only!, Dec. 6; Alpha YaYa Diallo, Dec. 7; Irish Rovers - Wasn't That a (Christmas) Party!? Dec. 9, 2:30 p.m.; Celebrate Christmas with The Nylons, Dec. 12; Classic Albums Live: The Beatles - Abbey Road, Dec. 13.

#### JANUARY 2008

The Standard OrchEXTRA Series - Papa Duke with the Niagara Symphony Daniel Swift, Musical Director and Conductor, Jan. 10; The Comedy Lounge featuring Sean Cullen, hosted by Jon Dore, Jan. 17; Marc Jordan and Amy Sky, Jan. 19; The East Village Opera Company, Jan. 23; Rubberbanddance: Elastic Perspective, Jan. 26 (David S. Howes Theatre); DK Ibomeka with Kellylee Evans, Jan. 30; DRUM!, Jan. 31.

#### FEBRUARY 2008

The Spirit of Harriet Tubman starring Leslie McCurdy, Feb. 19; Tommy Douglas: The Arrows of Desire starring John Nolan, Feb. 20; Connie Kaldor with Eve Goldberg, Feb. 21; Black Umfolosi, Feb. 28; The Czech Boys Choir, Feb. 29.

#### MARCH 2008

The Mayhem Poets, March 5; Lesley Gore - It's Still Her Party!, March 6; Women of the World featuring Kiran Ahluwalia, Ndidi Onukwulu and Tanya Tagaq, March 8; John Sherwood Toronto's Jazz Scene, March 14; Corb Lund and the Hurtin' Albertans with Danny Michel, March 15; Al Stewart with special guest Dave Nachmanoff, March 20; Les Boréades ~ Beatles Baroque, March 28; Boygroove...Boy-band lovers and haters rejoice! March 29.

#### APRIL 2008

The Standard OrchEXTRA Series HIGHER GROUND featuring the Niagara Symphony and the Jeans 'n Classics Band, April 3; Los Pinguos, April 4; Acoustic Roots featuring Matt Anderson, Mike Stevens and Dave Gunning, April 5; "Spirit and the Blues" The Campbell Brothers with special guest Eric Bibb, April 9; Matt Dusk, April 15; Gregg Lawless: Lawless Duets Etc., April 18; The Just For Laughs Road Show, April 19; Classic Albums Live: The Eagles - Hotel California, April 24; Sophie Milman, April 26.

#### The Wee Ones Wiggle Series sponsored by Niagara This Week

(Purchase tickets to three show series only. Single tickets for individual shows on sale Oct. 1, 2007, subject to availability.)

Faustwork Mask Theatre: Little Big Frog, Oct. 21 at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.; The Big Comfy Couch: Molly's Fool Moon Festival, Jan. 13 at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.; Growing with Fred Penner! April 20 at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

#### Theatre in Education Series (school performances for Grades K-12)

Tapeire - Driven by Rhythm, Oct. 18 at 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; Chris McKhool: Celebrate! Holidays of the Global Village, 10 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.; The Spirit of Harriet Tubman starring Leslie McCurdy, Feb. 18 and Feb. 19 at 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; Ballet Creole: Drummatix, Feb. 27 at 10 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.; Black Umfolosi, Feb. 28 at 12:30 p.m.; The Mayhem Poets, March 5 at 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; Mike Ford: The Great Canadian Songbook, March 26 (English) and March 27 (French) at 10 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.; Les Boréades ~ Beatles Baroque, March 28 at 12:30 p.m.

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**For Sale:** Quality, like-new white wicker furniture: Chair with arms, two-drawer side/night table, six-drawer tall chest. For more information, please call Rose at 905-295-6430



# BrockNews

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2007

A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## Does Brock have Ontario's best lecturer?

Who's Ontario's best lecturer? TVO is once again asking students and alumni from the province's colleges and universities to have their say, as Big Ideas, TVO's televised lecture series, kicks off the third edition of the Best Lecturer Competition, sponsored by TD Meloche Monnex.

Nominations will be accepted at [www.tvo.org](http://www.tvo.org) until Tuesday, Oct. 2.

A panel of judges will choose 10 finalists from the nominee list to deliver complete lectures on Big Ideas in March 2008. Viewers will be invited to grade each of the finalists and cast their vote for Ontario's next Best Lecturer. The winner's institution receives a \$10,000 TD Meloche Monnex Scholarship.

Full information is available at [www.tvo.org](http://www.tvo.org)

## New Edutravel trips offered

Are you dreaming of exploring the beautiful Tuscan countryside, the spectacular ruins of Angkor Wat, or being wowed by the incredible rural landscapes of Ireland? Then you won't want to miss the new and exiting travel adventures offered in 2008 through Brock's Edutravel program. Join Brock faculty as they explore worldwide destinations while sharing their knowledge and experiences with you and fellow travellers. Trips for 2008 include Vietnam and Cambodia (with host Glen Irons), Tuscany (with Corrado Federici), Ireland (with Hugh Gayler), and Jane Austen and The Romantics (with Barbara Seeber). A shorter art-themed trip to New York City is also planned for October 2008, where travellers will visit several art galleries and museums under the guidance of Rodman Hall Curator Gordon Hatt. For more trip details, please contact Wendy Laslo at ext. 5188 or by e-mail at [edutrael@brocku.ca](mailto:edutrael@brocku.ca), or visit [www.brocku.ca/edutrael](http://www.brocku.ca/edutrael)

  
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## Brock Days 2007



Plan to be part of the Brock Days tradition as the University continues its annual Community and Homecoming Celebration over the next couple of days. Enjoy the best Brock and Niagara has to offer as once again the University partners with the award-winning Niagara Wine Festival.

Tomorrow, Brock's Centre for the Arts presents Classic Albums Live...Bruce Springsteen - Born to Run - alumni can purchase discounted tickets! Friday, Sept. 28, the festivities will continue with a tribute dinner to Jamie Fleming, Director of Residences and the evening will wrap up at Isaac's for the annual Alumni Association Pub Night. On Saturday, Sept. 29, be sure to look for the Brock tent in Montebello Park - it's your place to connect with old friends! Join us for Brock Days 2007 - there's something for everyone!

## Brock officially opens Canadian Centre for Lifespan Development Research

A Brock University research centre that explores development of the entire range of the human lifespan, making it a one-of-a-kind facility in Canada, officially opened last week.

The Jack and Nora Walker Canadian Centre for Lifespan Development Research is unique because it brings together in a central location 62 faculty members from all seven of Brock's Faculties, and more than 40 not-for-profit community organizations, to study human development from early childhood to old age.

The research centre is located on the top two floors of the \$22.6-million, five-storey Plaza Building, which also officially opened on Sept. 18. The bottom three floors of the Plaza Building include the Departments of Economics and Political Science, academic space, computer labs, informal gathering spaces for students and an expanded Campus Store.

Jack N. Lightstone, President and Vice-Chancellor at Brock, said the Canadian Centre for Lifespan Development Research is a reflection of the University's thoughtful, passionate and continuing commitment to pervasive leading-edge research throughout the entire campus.

"Brock's faculty and graduate students will be able to address and research quality-of-life aspects of the human lifespan from the perspectives of many disciplines in a state-of-the-art facility," he said. "As a result of our

community partnerships, families in Niagara, Canada and internationally will benefit from the innovative and important research that is taking place between these four walls."

Lightstone added the Plaza Building begins to address the serious shortage of academic space as the University continues to expand in student enrolment, number of faculty members, and in research.

The multidisciplinary research centre is the first of its kind to have been funded by the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI), the major federal agency supporting new infrastructure initiatives at Canadian universities.

The centre was funded by a combined \$5.2-million grant from CFI, the Ontario Innovation Trust and Ontario Ministry of Research and Innovation, and \$1.3 million in private donations from the Walker family, Brock Plaza Corporation, E.S. Fox Ltd., Jacob and Katherine Hildebrand and others.

"Our community donors and funding agencies recognize the importance, the uniqueness and the mandate of the Canadian Centre for Lifespan Development Research," said Lightstone. "As a result, they have been generous to this University. Their contributions to groundbreaking lifespan research will unquestionably advance the quality of human life."

The facility encompasses more than 15,000 square feet of custom-designed lab and meeting space and houses

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## Mark your calendars for Fall Convocation

The 2007 Fall Convocation ceremonies will be held on Friday, Oct. 12 and Saturday, Oct. 13, as follows:

### Friday, Oct. 12 - 3 p.m.

Installation ceremony for Chancellor Ned Goodman and Convocation The Faculties of Graduate Studies and Education, graduate and undergraduate degrees.

### Saturday, Oct. 13 - 2 p.m. Convocation

All undergraduate degrees and certificates from the Faculties of Applied Health Sciences, Business, Humanities, Mathematics and Science, and Social Sciences.

Convocation ceremonies will be held in the Walker Complex at the west end of campus, in the 23,000-square-foot Ian D. Beddis gymnasium. A reception for graduates, family members and other special guests will be held after each ceremony.

## 2007-08 Viewbook now available



The Viewbook is an annual publication used by the team in Recruitment and Liaison Services to provide educators and prospective students with an introduction to the many facets of the Brock experience. It is hoped that the information, design and photography blend well to illustrate the exceptional quality and experience that students can expect at Brock.

Many University faculty, students and staff lend their expertise in developing this resource, including the Office of University Communications, Printing Services, and Divino Mucciante, Brock's photographer.

Please recycle your remaining copies of the 2006-07 edition, and contact Linda Steele at ext. 4293, if you would like a supply of new Viewbooks.

## Youth University reaches 5,500 students during a successful summer

This past summer, the staff at Youth University introduced more than 5,500 pre-university aged youth to the world of higher education while fostering curiosity and a love for lifelong learning. In school classes during May and June, and with friends during July and August, young people from the Niagara region and beyond had the opportunity to learn from hands-on programs in science, technology, engineering, business, humanities, and leadership. These programs helped connect the Niagara community, and the youth of Ontario, with the unique skills and resources of Brock University.

Youth University spring and summer programs not only served as a wonderful opportunity for young people who will soon have to make choices about future careers and furthering their education, but also for the 45 University student instructors from all Faculties who were able to apply, and extend, their Brock education.

This valuable opportunity would not have been possible without the support and encouragement of the Brock community. A very special thanks is extended to staff and faculty who shared space, time, and resources to help make Youth University enrichment programs happen over the course of the year.

### Brock officially opens *continues from page 1.*

state-of-the-art interview and observation rooms for naturalistic studies of human behaviour and assessment. New computer labs for very large databases, as well as

workspace for post-doctoral students and visiting scholars working with Brock faculty, are also key aspects of the research centre.

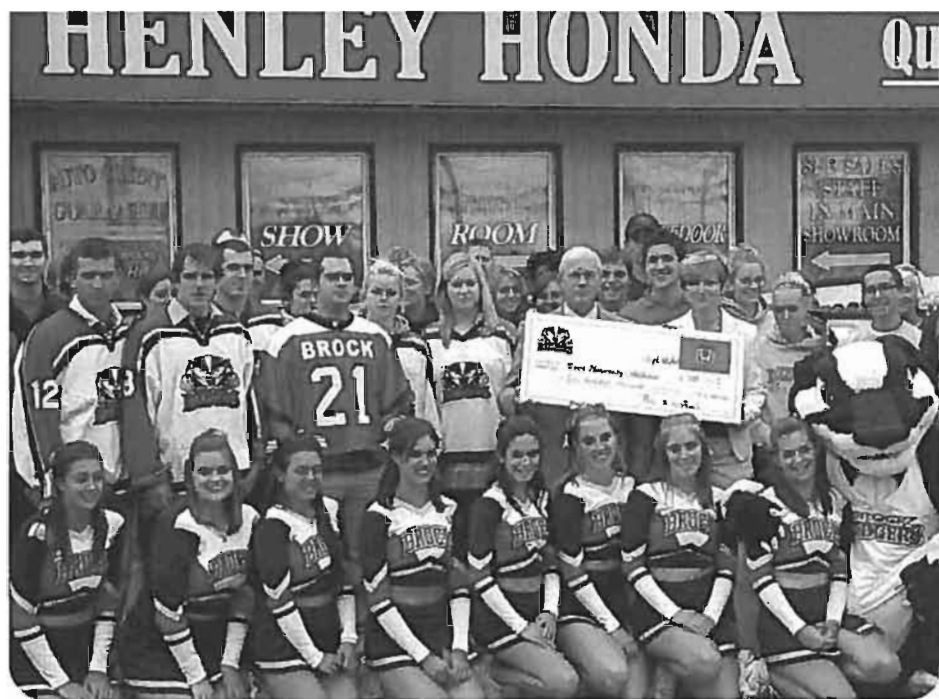
"This centre clearly positions Brock University at the forefront of innovation in research," said David Siegel, Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences. "Multidisciplinary research institutions of this kind are very rare across North America, yet the kind of research they produce is being demanded by more and more funding agencies."

National and international collaborative opportunities are rich and unique components of the research facility, said Centre Director and Psychology Professor Sid Segalowitz. Researchers from differing disciplines will be working alongside one another in adjacent physical locations, facilitating a 'knowledge spillover', he said.

"The participation of the many not-for-profit organizations that meet the needs of the people in the community will allow the research to have a direct and more immediate impact on the community than traditional research," he added.

The 86,000-square-foot Plaza Building is the third post-secondary building in Ontario and the seventh in Canada to earn the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver certification. The award, presented by the Canada Green Building Council, recognizes energy conservation and environmentally responsible construction such as construction waste disposal, healthy indoor environment for occupants, site selection, and other initiatives.

## Athletics secures \$100,000 sponsorship from Henley Honda



Many members of Brock's athletic teams were on hand at Henley Honda for the announcement of a five-year partnership valued at \$100,000.

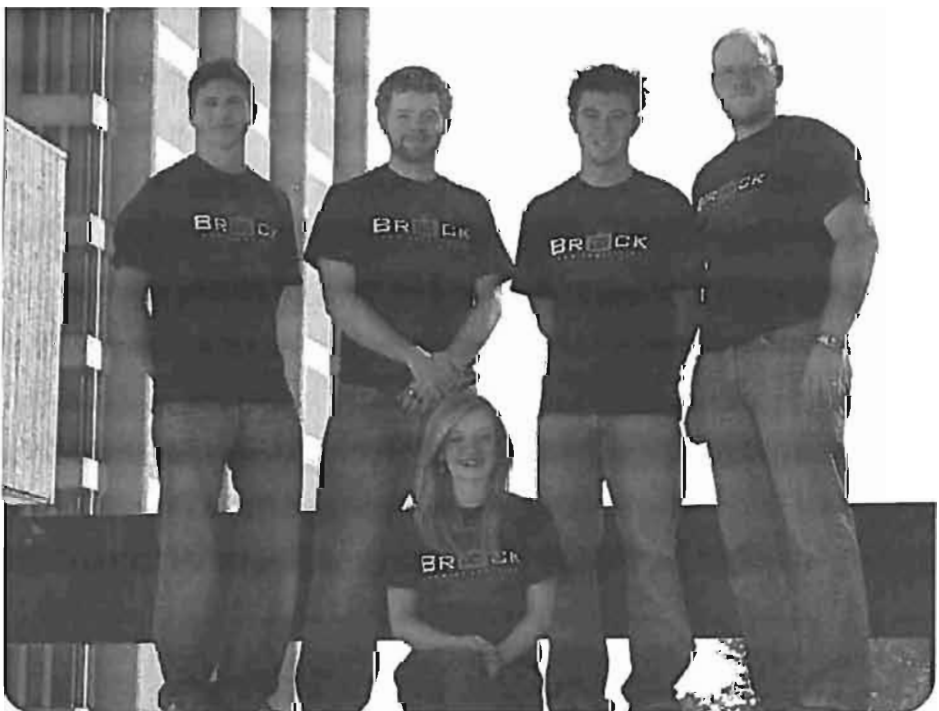
On Sept. 12, Henley Honda of St. Catharines committed \$100,000 over five years to support athletic scholarships at Brock, the largest donation in the history of the Department of Athletics.

"We are delighted to partner with a company that shares our values in terms of community involvement," said Lorne Adams, Director of Athletics. "The \$100,000 commitment represents a significant investment in athletes and athletic excellence. We are grateful to Henley Honda for their confidence and support."

"We at Henley Honda are excited and proud to be embarking on this new innovative partnership with Brock University Athletics," said Henley Honda President and CEO Reni de Verteuil. "It signifies a new era for Henley Honda and Brock University Athletics in the Niagara community. Investing in athletes, primarily through scholarships, assists them in their visibility in the community, and promotes positive role models for our young people. We are proud to be the official automotive corporate sponsor of Brock Athletics."



The Office of Research Services recently hosted an event to celebrate research excellence at Brock. Ian Brindle, who takes over from Michael Owen as Interim Associate Vice-President, Research and International Development at the end of this month, addressed a number of Brock's top researchers. Pictured at the event are, from left, John Corlett, Dean of Applied Health Sciences; Professor Debbie O'Leary, Community Health Sciences; Professor Frances Owen, Child and Youth Studies; and Frances Chandler, Office of Research Services.



Brock TV is gearing up for a new season, which officially kicked off on Sunday, Sept. 16. Episodes from the 2007-08 season can be viewed at [www.brocktv.ca](http://www.brocktv.ca) and new episodes are uploaded every Sunday night. BrockTV episodes can also be viewed on residence television Channel 10 every night at 10 p.m.

## Brock Briefs

### MA thesis defences

Psychology student Narnia Worth will defend her thesis entitled "Psychopathy and Self-Monitoring: Additive and Interactive Effects on Self-Presentation Tactics" on Thursday, Oct. 11, at 9:30 a.m. in Plaza (PL)600F. Thesis supervisor: Angela Book; External Examiner: Kenneth Cramer, University of Windsor.

Psychology student Brian Smith will defend his thesis entitled "A Dose-Response Investigation of the Attentional Blink During Sleep Restriction" on Tuesday, Nov. 6, at 9:30 a.m. in PL600F.

Thesis supervisor: Kimberly Cote; External examiner: Kevin Peters, Trent University. Everyone welcome.

Interdisciplinary MA in Popular Culture candidate Jennifer Testa will defend her thesis entitled "You Get What You Pay For: Independent Music and Canadian Public Policy," on Wednesday, Oct. 3, at 2 p.m. in PL312. External Examiner: Will Straw; Supervisor: Nick Baxter-Moore; Second Reader: Barry Grant; Director: Jim Leach. All are welcome to attend.

Social Justice and Equity Studies student Heather Maguire will present her MA thesis defense entitled "Citizen Jane: Exploring The Relationship Between Gender and Cellular Phones in Societies of Control" on Wednesday, October 10, 2007 from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm in room AS427. Supervisor: Catherine Nash, External Examiner: Catherine Middleton, Supervisory Committee Members: Dale Bradley and David Butz.

### MSc thesis defences

Physics student Gary Fekete will defend his thesis entitled "Phonon spectra and thermodynamic properties of rare gas solids based on empirical and semi-empirical (ab initio) two-body potentials: A comparative study" on Tuesday, Oct. 2, at 2:30 p.m. in PL410.

Thesis supervisor: S. K Bose; External Examiner: Michael Cottam; Associate Dean (Research), Faculty of Science, and Professor of Physics, University of Western Ontario; Chair: D. Crandles; Committee members: D. McCarthy, K. Samokhin.

Physics student Shahab Jamali Gharetape will defend his defense "Electric and magnetic properties of LaV1-xO3" Thursday, Oct. 4, at 3 p.m. in WH206.

Thesis supervisor: F. S. Razavi; Chair: S. K. Bose; External Examiner: Guenter Scholz, University of Waterloo; Committee members: A. G. Reynolds, M. Reedyk.

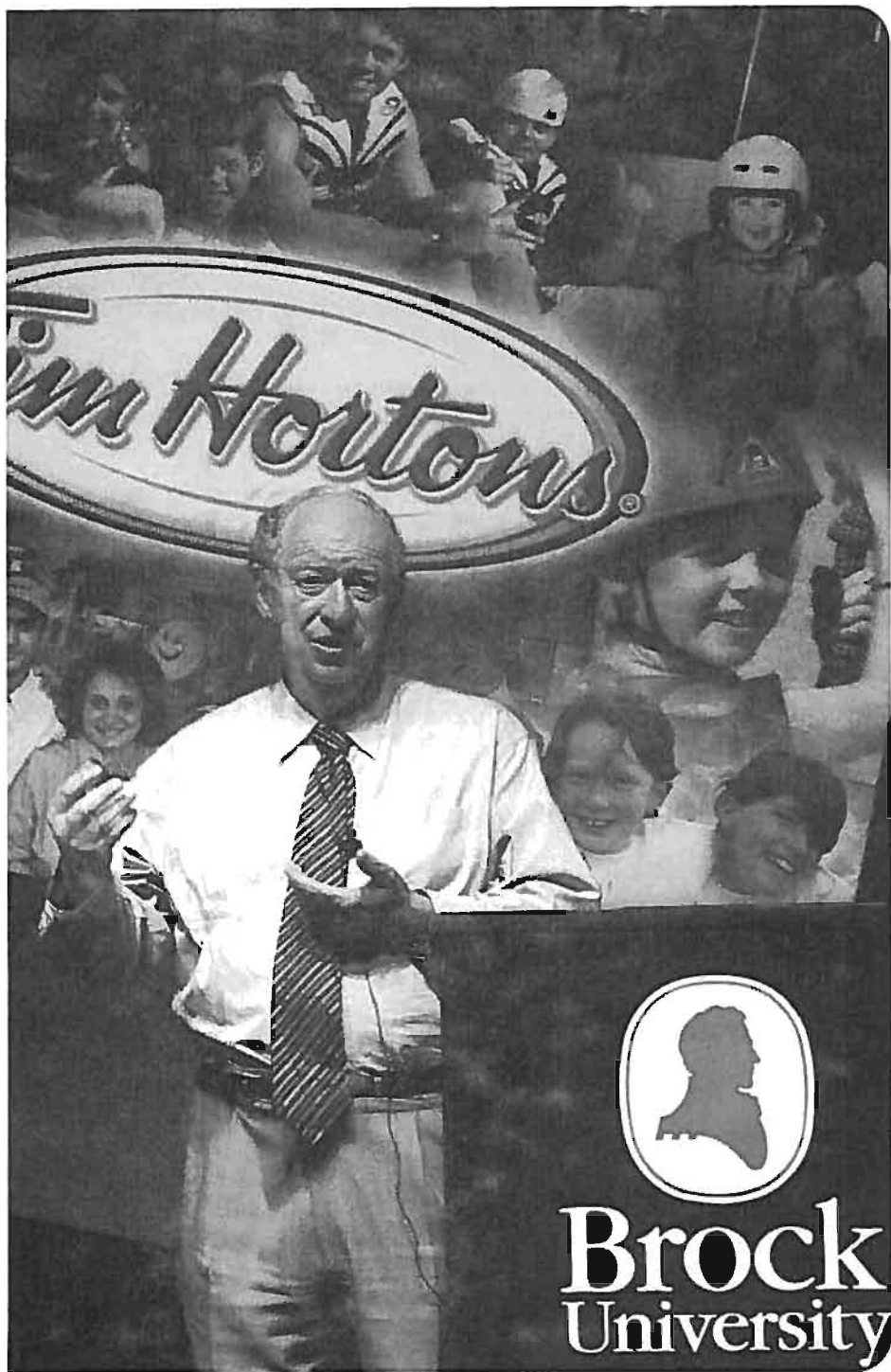
A Master of Science thesis defence for Ryan Boyd will be held on Friday, Oct. 5 at 10 a.m. in WC 284. The title of his thesis is "Expression of Endothelin Receptors in Vascular Adventitial Fibroblasts." Supervisor: Huidi Wang; External Examiner: David Kwan; McMaster University; Committee Members: Evangelina Tsiani, Paul LeBlanc, Sheng Jun Au; Chair: TBA. All are welcome!

### Thank you from Eleanor Snider

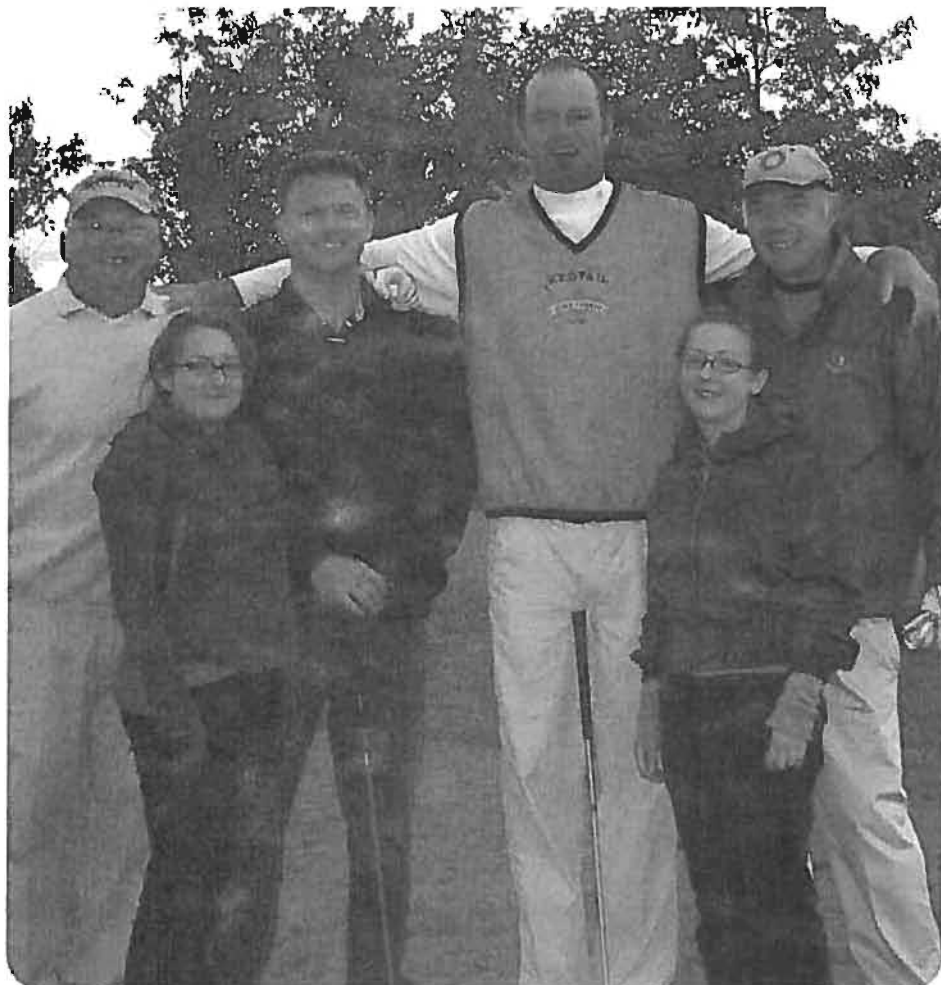
*Thank you so much for almost 27 years of working in the Office of the Registrar, the fantastic bosses, co-workers and life-lasting friendships made along the way! Words escape me for my thankfulness of the never-ending farewells - the Registrar's party; to all of you who came to Fresco's; the night at Pow Wow, etc. The gifts were generous and the loving wishes overwhelming! We're loving every minute of the retirement journey and have settled in quite nicely. Love you Brock - forever grateful!*

- Eleanor - Let the dancing begin!





Paul House, Chairman, CEO and President of TDL Group Corp., better known as Tim Horton's, was recently named the Faculty of Business's inaugural Distinguished Leader. House was on campus on Friday, Sept. 14, and spent the day with the Faculty of Business visiting a class of third-year students in the morning and speaking to a full house of students, faculty and members of the Brock community in the Sean O'Sullivan theatre in the afternoon. The Distinguished Leader Award recognizes outstanding business leaders. House is also a member of the Faculty of Business's Dean's Advisory Council.



Brock Student Ambassadors, Elyse and Rachel Graf (front), huddle with Mike McNiven (BA, '74) (back row, left) and the rest of his foursome at the Annual Brock Alumni Golf Tournament, held Saturday, Sept. 15. More than 120 golfers braved the less-than-ideal temperatures at Lochness Links for the 12th Annual Tournament. Elyse and Rachel, who assisted at the tournament, must have provided some luck to the foursome who went on to have the best score of the day. Next year's tournament is set for Sept. 13 at Lochness Links.

## Mediatalk

People in the news

**Alun Hughes**, Associate Professor of Geography, was interviewed by *Niagara This Week* for an Aug. 31 story, "String interest in Sunday's heritage walk," about his involvement with the first City of Thorold Heritage Walk that took place on Aug. 26. Hughes acted as a tour guide along with **John Burtiak**, retired head of Special Collections at Brock for the group of close to 100 people who showed up to attend the guided walk.

**Larry Savage**, Assistant Professor of Labour Studies and Political Science, was interviewed by the *Port-Colborne Leader* for an Aug. 31 article about the historical significance of Labour Day, "Labour Day not just a long weekend."

Savage was also interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Sept. 1 story - "Book charts history of local union movement" - about the recent publication of *Confrontation, Struggle and Transformation: Organized Labour in the St. Catharines Area*, a book that he and Carmela Patrias, Associate Professor of History, co-authored. *Niagara This Week* also interviewed Savage for a Sept. 7 story about the publication of the book, "New book looks at history of local labour."

**Russell Johnston**, Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of Communications, Popular Culture and Film, was interviewed by the *Hamilton Spectator* for a Sept. 1 article about current trends in Canadian advertising, entitled "So many ways to get the message out."

**Yousef Haj-Ahmad**, Professor of Biological Sciences, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Sept. 1 "Niagara Closeup" story about his Niagara-based biotechnology company, Norgen Biotek. Although Norgen creates a device used to extract DNA, Haj-Ahmad wants to create a company in Niagara that would extract DNA en masse. In the article, "Silent Revolution," Haj-Ahmad notes: that "There is no company in the world dedicated to producing large quantities of DNA. That could be here in the Niagara Region." **Lewis Soroka**, Professor of Economics was also interviewed as part of the story.

**John McNamara**, Associate Professor of Child and Youth Studies, was interviewed by CanWest News Service in early September for an article on the advantages and disadvantages of holding kindergarten-bound children back a year. The article was published in the following newspapers: *Calgary Herald* (Sept. 3, "Held back to excel"); *Ottawa Citizen* (Sept. 3, "Giving pupils the 'gift of time'"); *Edmonton Journal* (Sept. 3, "When holding

kids back moves them ahead"); *The Province* (Sept. 3, "Parents, teachers debate 'redshirting' kids"); and *Montreal Gazette* (Sept. 4, "Holding kids back can push them forward; Being oldest in class is beneficial: experts").

**Veena Dwivedi**, Assistant Professor of Applied Linguistics, was interviewed by *Niagara This Week* for a Sept. 7 story about her recent CFI-funded project, "A Neurophysiological Investigation of Language Processing." The article, entitled "Brock project to study changes in how we process language," featured a photo of Professor Dwivedi and St. Catharines MP Rick Dykstra who visited the University on Aug. 30 to congratulate and speak with Dwivedi about her language comprehension research.

**Lisa Buckland**, Facilities Supervisor for South Campus Residences at Brock, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Sept. 4 story about the University's residence move-in day - "Move-in day at Brock is 'down to a science'" - which took place on Labour Day.

**Kelly Daniels**, Part-Time Instructor in the Department of Dramatic Arts' Theatre program, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Sept. 7 article, "Taking it to the street," about her role in organizing the inaugural James Street Reading Festival, which took place from Sept. 12 to 15 in downtown St. Catharines.

**Virginia Reh**, Assistant Professor of Theatre in the Department of Dramatic Arts, was interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a Sept. 7 story about the death of legendary Italian tenor Luciano Pavarotti. In the article, "Niagara opera lovers mourn maestro," Reh recalls seeing Pavarotti perform at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York City.

**Glen Stalker**, Assistant Professor of Recreation and Leisure Studies, was interviewed by the *Hamilton Spectator* for two separate articles published on Sept. 13 - "The nuclear family isn't so typical anymore" and "Leaving nest not easy for half of the city's young adults" - about the release of Statistics Canada 2006 Census data on the make-up of Canadian families.

**Lorne Adams**, Director of Athletics at Brock was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Sept. 13 story about the \$100,000, five-year commitment from Henley Honda to fund scholarships for varsity athletics at the University. In the article, entitled "Brock athletics scores with funding boost," Adams notes: that "It's a huge recruitment tool. It raises the profile of our department. It is a significant amount of money and (many) other schools don't have the type of corporate investment."

## Art education at Rodman Hall

Rodman Hall Arts Centre offers art classes for all ages. Whether you are interested in learning how to create digital art projects or traditional crafts, we offer a wide selection of courses for you and your family.

Rodman Hall members, Brock University families, and families registering two or more children or for multiple classes receive a 10 per cent discount on course registrations.

For more information, please call Rodman Hall Arts Centre at ext. 5808; e-mail: [rodmanhall@brocku.ca](mailto:rodmanhall@brocku.ca), or visit [www.brocku.ca/rodmanhall/education](http://www.brocku.ca/rodmanhall/education)

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**For sale:** 2005 Honda Civic SE, four-door sedan, five-speed, great mileage, power locks, remote entry, CD player, 96,000 km. Asking \$12,500. Call 905-892-5926 for more information.

**For sale:** Tickets on IODE-sponsored bus trip available to the One of a Kind Christmas Show and Sale in Toronto, Saturday, Nov. 24. Depart from St. Catharines or Grimsby. Cost is \$35 including admission to the show. Contact Margaret at 905-934-7825 for more information

**For sale:** Love Seat Couch. Clean. Good condition. \$60 O.B.O. Cash only. Also, adult bicycle. Challenger-Supercycle. 18 speed. \$30 O.B.O. Cash only. Call 905-682-2347 for more information.

## Faculty and Staff

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

**Martin Danahay** has published an edited volume entitled *Victorian Animal Dreams: Representations of Animals in Victorian Literature and Culture* (Ashgate Publishing, Aldershot, Hants, 280 pages). Co-edited with Professor Deborah Denenholz Morse of the College of William and Mary, the collection of essays also includes his article "Nature Read in Hoof and Paw: Domestic Animals and Violence in Victorian Art."

**Elizabeth Sauer** recently presented "Milton and Geography" at the Triennial Conference of the International Association of University Professors of English, in Lund, Sweden. Sauer also delivered a plenary address on "Milton, Bunyan, the Holy Nation, and the Trials of Toleration," at the Fifth Triennial Meeting of the International John Bunyan Society, "Early Modern Religion in Old and New England," held at Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H.

### FACULTY OF EDUCATION

**Rodger Beatty** recently took part in the following events:

- He presented and led a three-day professional development Summer Institute for elementary music teachers for the British Virgin Islands (BVI) Department of Education held in Road Town, Tortola, BVI from Aug. 22 to 24. Beatty's presentation was entitled "Inspiring Artistry: Enhancing Choral Music Education."
- He served as Artistic Director for the Niagara International Music Festival held in St. Catharines and Grimsby from July 4 to 7. Four children's and youth choirs from Monaco, Virginia, Manitoba and Ontario joined in making music in the festival.
- He was a juror in the 2007 Dr. Franklin Churchley Graduate Essay Competition and the 2007 Kenneth Bray Undergraduate Essay Competition sponsored by the Canadian Music Educators' Association.
- Co-presented a paper with Shelley Griffin entitled "Hitting the trail running: Reflections on new faculty mentorship experiences," at the Pan-Canadian Music Education Think Tank II, held June 25 to 27 at Memorial University, St. John's, N.L.

### FACULTY OF EDUCATION – PRE-SERVICE DEPARTMENT

**Debra McLaughlin** recently attended the annual American Alliance of Theatre and Education conference, held in Vancouver, B.C., where she presented two papers and served as a juror on the Distinguished Dissertation Committee. Her papers were titled "Keeping Kids in School: What the Drama Class Tells Us," and "Travelling Upstream without a Paddle: Teaching Drama Pedagogy to Primary-Junior Teacher Candidates."

### JAMES A. GIBSON LIBRARY

**Ian Gordon** has been appointed to the position of Head, Loan Services effective Sept. 1. Loan Services, the new name for the former Circulation Department, comprises circulation, reserves and interlibrary loan services.

### MATHEMATICS

**M. L. Huang** gave a presentation "On Orthogonal Series Estimation Methods," at the fifth International Conference on Multiple Comparison Procedures held in Vienna, Austria, from July 8 to 12.

**Yuanlin Li** participated in the International Conference on algebraic and combinatorial methods in concrete classes of algebra and groups, in Alden-Biesen, Belgium, from Sept. 2 to 7. He also presented a paper entitled "On duo group rings" at the conference.

### PHILOSOPHY

**R. Raj Singh** recently presented the following research papers at various international academic events:

- "Gandhi and the Fundamentals of World Peace" at the seventh World Congress of the International Society for Universal Dialogue in Hiroshima, Japan, on June 1.
- "The Pivotal Concept of Bhakti" (El papal de la Bhakti en las cosmovisiones hindues) at the Pontificia Universidad Catolica del Peru, in Lima, Peru, on June 14.
- "Heidegger and Schopenhauer on the World Concept" (Heidegger y Schopenhauer sobre el concepto de mundo) at the Pontificia Universidad Catolica del Peru, in Lima, Peru on June 18.

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

**Livianna Tossutti** and **Osvaldo Croci** presented a paper entitled "That elusive object of desire: Canadian Perceptions of the European Union," at the fourth annual General Conference of the European Consortium for Political Research in Pisa, Italy, from Sept. 6 to 8.

### RECREATION AND LEISURE STUDIES

**Glenn Stalker** recently presented the paper "Multinational Trends in Family Activities: Late Modern Change and New Diversity in Family Life," at the 2007 British Leisure Studies Association (LSA) Conference, held in Eastbourne, U.K., from July 3 to 5.

### WORKPLACE HEALTH RESEARCH LABORATORY

**John Yardley** was an invited panel discussant at the Canadian Council on Healthcare Standards Accreditation Annual Surveyors Conference held Aug. 27. At the conference, he twice presented a session entitled "CCHSA Worklife Standards and Measuring Healthcare Quality of Worklife."

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## Events

**Department of Physics:** Professor Hoi-Kwong Lo, University of Toronto, will speak on the topic "From Quantum Security to Quantum Hacking" Tuesday, Oct. 2 at 12:30 p.m. in MC H313.

**Canadian Federation of University Women:** CFUW Welland and District will host its 37th annual book sale on Saturday, Oct. 13 at the Niagara Regional Exhibition Grounds, 1100 Niagara St., Welland, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Great bargains on books, CDs and DVDs, children's books, games, puzzles and special collections. Proceeds to university scholarships for female graduates of eight local secondary schools and to local charitable organizations. To donate items, please call 905-732-2840, 905-892-9360, 905-892-3828 or 905-835-2291.

**Centre for the Arts:** Brock's Centre for the Arts 2007-08 Professional Entertainment Season will be underway soon. All performances start at 7:30 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise stated.

Tickets are on sale now! Visit [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca) or call ext. 3257, or toll free 1-866-617-3257.

### SEPTEMBER

Classic Albums Live: Bruce Springsteen – Born to Run, Sept. 27.

### OCTOBER

Zucchero with Giorgia Fumanti (Hot Ticket Added Event!), Oct. 3; Colin James – *Up Close, Personal & Slightly Unplugged*, Oct 4 (Second Show Added at 9:30 p.m.); The world's fastest dancer James Devine's TAPEIRE – *Driven by Rhythm* featuring Ashley MacIsaac, Oct. 17; Manteca *Reunion!*, Oct. 19; Dave and Ian Thomas – *Brothers Forever!*, Oct 20; Tower of Power – *We Want the Funk!*, Oct. 24; Matthew Good (Hot Ticket Added Event – SOLD OUT!), Oct. 25; The Barra MacNeils – 20th Anniversary Tour, Oct 31.

### NOVEMBER

Paul Taylor Dance Company – *Taylor 2*, Nov. 3 (David S. Howes Theatre); Blackie and the Rodeo Kings with Luke Doucet, Nov 21; *International Guitar Night*, Nov. 28; The Standard Orchestral: *Shower the People: The Music of James Taylor* featuring the Niagara Symphony and the Jeans 'n Classics Band, Nov. 29.

**Department of Classics:** Professor Mary Lefkowitz, Mellon Professor in the Humanities Emerita, Wellesley College, will present a public lecture entitled "Archaeology and the Politics of Origins: The Search for Pyramids in Greece" on Sunday, Oct. 14 at 3 p.m in AS 215. This event is sponsored by The Department of Classics at Brock University and the Niagara Peninsula Society of the Archaeological Institute of America. For further information, please contact the Department of Classics at 905-688-5550, ext. 3575, or visit [www.brocku.ca/classics](http://www.brocku.ca/classics) or [www.niagaraiaia.net/firms.com](http://www.niagaraiaia.net/firms.com)  
This event is free and everyone is welcome to attend.

**ENCORE!** The Department of Music presents its first professional concert of the 2007-08 series with An Evening of Chamber Music featuring three members of Brock's Music faculty and two members of SUNY Fredonia's music faculty. This performance features an eclectic mix of fun contemporary pieces with uplifting classical works, highlighted by the Brahms Horn Trio performed with tuba. Tickets available through the Box Office, ext. 3257.



# BrockNews

A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## University partners with municipalities to address off-campus housing issues

Brock University has partnered with the Cities of St. Catharines and Thorold, committing \$25,000 to each City to help strengthen bylaw enforcement practices in order to alleviate the pressures in student residential areas.

In addition the University will undertake a review of the Code of Student Conduct and its scope with respect to off-campus residents. This process will be initiated in early October but will take several months to conclude.

Brock will continue to be proactive in educating students about their responsibilities as residents and neighbors in our community.

"Brock has undertaken many initiatives to address the issue of off-campus student behaviour and we are committed to working with our community partners to find solutions," says Brock President Jack Lightstone.

"This is a new era in co-operation between Brock University and the City of St. Catharines," Brian McMullan, Mayor of St. Catharines, says. "Brock's decision to make this offer is indicative of the positive relationship developing between the University and the City. I hope we can continue to build on this co-operation in the future."

"The City of Thorold appreciates Brock University's ongoing commitment to build the community-University relationship. This financial support will greatly assist our bylaw enforcement efforts in the area of student housing," says Henry D'Angela, Mayor of Thorold. "We commend Brock University for this proactive initiative."

"In addition to these ongoing programs, the funding provided by the University to the Municipalities will help to strengthen bylaw enforcement practices in an effort to alleviate pressures in student residential areas," says Lightstone.



**Brock rocks the parade**

Brock University was once again well represented in the 56th annual Pen Centre Grande Parade held Sept. 29 during the Niagara Wine Festival. The Brock entry won the Vintage Award for Best National Non-Profit Float and was one of the most enthusiastic parts of the parade.

## Fall Convocation will honour teaching and research excellence

Brock students benefit from the commitment and expertise of faculty who provide a high-quality student-centred education at the University. Their influence engages students to think creatively and critically about the socially and culturally diverse and inter-related world in which we live.

Brock University will honour five faculty members for their contributions to teaching and research as part of the Fall Convocation ceremony taking place on Saturday, Oct. 13, at 2 p.m., in the Ian D. Beddis Gymnasium, located in the Walker Complex.

"These professors are all widely respected on both the national and international stages for their work in their respective fields, and for providing quality learning experiences for students," says Terry Boak, Vice-President, Academic and Provost. "Their exceptional teaching, research and leadership skills reflect well on the overall tradition of teaching excellence and research for which Brock University is well known."

**Dorothy Griffiths**, Professor of Child and Youth Studies and Applied Disability Studies, will receive the Brock University Award for Distinguished Teaching, the second major award for teaching excellence she has received from Brock this year. She also received the Brock University Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching at Spring Convocation.

The Award recognizes a faculty member who has made a significant commitment to providing and developing quality learning experiences for students, in addition to making valuable contributions in curriculum development and the mentoring of colleagues.

**Stefan Brudzynski**, Professor of Psychology, will receive the Brock University Award for Distinguished Research and Creative Activity. This award recognizes faculty members who demonstrate outstanding research achievements, contributions toward the training of future researchers, and consistency in scholarly or creative performance.

Three Brock professors, recently

recognized by the province with Leadership in Faculty Teaching (LIFT) awards for their outstanding classroom skills, will also be recognized at Fall Convocation: **Ernest N. Biktimirov**, Professor of Finance, Operations and Information Systems; **Barry W. K. Joe**, Professor of Digital Humanities; and **Anna H. Lathrop**, Professor of Physical Education and Kinesiology.

The LIFT awards were developed by the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities to recognize and encourage teaching excellence at colleges and universities in Ontario. Winners are awarded \$20,000 over two years to encourage continued excellence in the classroom setting.

An estimated 850 students are expected to receive their degrees at Brock University's 2007 Fall Convocation. All ceremonies will be held in the Ian D. Beddis gymnasium and a reception for graduates, family members and other special guests will be held after each ceremony.

For more information, visit [www.brocku.ca](http://www.brocku.ca) and click on "More News."

### Brock to install seventh Chancellor during Fall Convocation

Ned Goodman, who was appointed Chancellor-Elect of Brock in April 2007, will be officially installed as the University's seventh Chancellor at this Friday's Fall Convocation ceremony.

All ceremonies will be held in the Walker Complex at the west end of campus in the Ian D. Beddis gymnasium. A reception for graduates, family members and other special guests will be held after each ceremony.

Dates, times, details and Faculties graduating at each ceremony will be as follows:

• **Friday, Oct. 12, 3 p.m.**

Installation ceremony for Chancellor Ned Goodman and Convocation for graduate and undergraduate degrees from the Faculties of Graduate Studies and Education.

• **Saturday, Oct. 13, 2 p.m.**

Convocation for undergraduate degrees

## High-profile accreditation a feather in Brock's nursing cap

As a result of a rigorous review process, nursing programs offered by Brock's Department of Nursing have earned the maximum seven-year accreditation from the Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing (CASN).

Loyalist College in Belleville, which collaborates with Brock's Nursing Department, also received the accreditation.

"We are extremely pleased with this national recognition of excellence," said Lynn Rempel, Chair, Department of Nursing. "Accreditation not only raises the profile and stature of current nursing students, it also adds value to the degrees of our nursing graduates. Awards of seven years are very prestigious and demonstrate an extremely high level of excellence in nursing education."

Many of Brock's nursing graduates continue to work in Niagara and Ontario after graduating, helping to make up for the serious shortfall of trained nurses.

"Recruiting nurses to the Niagara Health System after they graduate from Brock University is one of the key elements of our nursing recruitment strategy," said NHS President and CEO Debbie Sevenpifer. "Our nurses have an opportunity to develop solid working relationships with the Brock nursing students as mentors and colleagues during the students' work placements with the Niagara Health System. Our nurses tell us how impressed they are with the students' knowledge, skills, professionalism and compassion for our patients and their families."

"The calibre of nurses graduating from Brock University is second to none, and Brock's Nursing Department is well deserving of this recognition of excellence from the Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing," said Sevenpifer.

Brock established its Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN) program in 2000 as a degree completion program for registered nurses who already had a college diploma, followed a year later by a four-year BScN program in which students complete two years at Loyalist and two years at Brock to earn their degree. The option of completing all four years at Brock was first offered in 2005.

Members of the Department of Nursing prepared for accreditation for almost two years. The lengthy process involved a comprehensive self-study of the department and a review of the educational support provided by Brock for the nursing programs, the curricula, and the student outcomes of each of the three programs. Input from partners and stakeholders was gathered and graduates were surveyed.

Community partners include NHS, Hotel Dieu Shaver Health others.

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# GSA seeks autonomy and higher profile



Many of Brock's 1,300 graduate students recently gathered for the opening-of-term barbecue sponsored by the Graduate Students' Association. From left: William Tays (PhD candidate, Psychology), GSA representative on Brock's Board of Trustees; Natalie Elms (PhD candidate, Psychology), GSA Vice-President, Internal; Iva Mathews (PhD candidate, Psychology), GSA representative on Brock's Senate; Aynsley Thielman, (PhD candidate, Biology), Vice-President, External; and Claire Meldrum (MA designate, Comparative Literature and Arts), GSA President.

To help enhance the Brock experience for graduate students and to raise its profile, the Graduate Students' Association has embarked on a series of important milestones, including its official incorporation and the creation of its first five-year plan.

The GSA, the official voice of graduate students on campus, assists its members with all aspects of graduate life at Brock University. Its mandate is to promote academic, professional and social student development, create opportunities for interaction between students from all departments, and act as an advocate and lobbyist for student concerns and issues.

More than 1,300 graduate students are involved in the research opportunities that exist on campus. Brock offers 38 graduate programs, including six PhD programs, with more in development.

GSA president Claire Meldrum, a master's student in the Comparative Literature and Arts program in the Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures Department, said

incorporation is part of the move to make the GSA more professional and to give it greater autonomy.

"As we grow as an organization and our membership diversifies, we need to insure that we are representing the interests of graduate students in the best way possible," she said, "and our incorporation is an important step towards that goal."

A five-year plan is a necessary procedure, she said, to ensure that the momentum of the GSA is maintained from year to year, as the rapid transition of membership is a reality as graduate students complete their education and move on.

Short- and medium-term objectives will be mapped out and answers to some of the following questions will be pursued: What does the GSA want to look like in a few years? What services should be added, removed and maintained? What does the Brock administration, community partners and Faculty of Graduate Studies expect of the GSA and what should the GSA expect of them? How can the GSA raise its profile?

How can revenues be diversified so that the financial burden of running the organization isn't borne disproportionately by the students, and how can the GSA best serve its membership?

William Tays is a PhD candidate in psychology and the GSA representative on Brock's Board of Trustees. He said the level of dedication is the biggest change when moving from an undergraduate to graduate program. Full-time graduate students often clock almost 60 hours a week in academic pursuits, he said, and in addition, many also work or TA.

The social events held by the GSA are necessary to periodically break the intensity of studies. An opening-of-term barbecue at Alphonse's attracted close to 200 graduate students, and a monthly appetizer hour is also planned (the GSA will pick up half the appetizer tab). An annual social during the winter festive season is also planned.

For more information about the GSA, please go to [www.brocku.ca/gsa](http://www.brocku.ca/gsa)

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and certificates from the Faculties of Applied Health Sciences, Business, Humanities, Mathematics and Science, and Social Sciences.

Goodman is one of the country's most significant investment industry leaders and Canadian business builders. As Chancellor, he will assume a leadership role in advancing the University, and will play a vital role in the educational welfare of Brock students. The Chancellor is the titular head of the University and presides over all Convocations.

Through a career that started as a geologist and reaches back for more than 40 years, Goodman is today widely regarded as a key influence in Canada's investment management industry. His role as a securities analyst and portfolio manager has underpinned his success and delivered consistent performance to investors over many years.

As founder and Chief Executive Officer of both Dundee Corporation and Dundee Wealth and as Chairman of Goodman and Company, Goodman continues to shape an impressive offering of financial services and investment opportunities into a widely diversified enterprise committed to shareholder value and investor success.

Goodman has translated much of his professional success and business acumen into sustained leadership in other areas of business academics, most notably as the founder and benefactor of the Goodman Institute of Investment Management, a graduate school providing an MBA degree and a CFA charter that was established at Concordia University in Montreal. Goodman serves there as an Adjunct Professor and as a member of the Associates of the Chancellor.

In addition, he connects widely with the community as Chairman Emeritus of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, a Governor of Junior Achievement of Canada, a Vice-Chair of the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario and as a member of the Toronto Society of Financial Analysts and the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. He is a founding director of the Roasters Foundation, the Jodamada Foundation and the Dynamic Fund Foundation.

Goodman completed his undergraduate studies in Science at McGill University and graduate studies in Business Administration at the University of Toronto. He achieved a Chartered Financial Analyst from the University of Virginia in 1967. A Doctorate of Laws, honoris causa, was conferred upon him by Concordia University in 1997.

## Surprise donation at Brock Rowing boat christening

The Brock University rowing team recently received a surprise donation of new boats worth close to \$100,000 from a supportive Brock alumni and Board of Trustees member.

Roelof Makken attended the University's annual reunion row and boat christening on Sept. 30 at Henley Island, where he announced he would donate five convertible pair/doubles and one convertible four/quad boats to the Brock rowing fleet.

"The pairs are key boats for training and teaching technique and the four is also a welcome addition to the fleet as some of the existing fours are more than 12 years old," says Peter Somerwil, Rowing Head Coach, Brock Athletics.

The weekend christening of three boats was organized by the Brock rowing team to recognize successful rowing alumni from the University.

- A single was christened the "E. Berkhout" in honour of Fraser Berkhout, the latest of many Brock rowers to represent Canada at a world championship.
- An eight was christened in honour of Winston Cook, who has been affiliated with the Brock program for 20 years as a coach

and assistant co-ordinator of regattas.

- An eight was christened in honour of Joe Dowd, the most successful rowing coach in Brock history, who coached from 1993 to 2004 and won five OUA Team Championships and three National University Championships. Many of Dowd's former athletes donated to the fundraising campaign to purchase the boat.

Also, Dan Livermore, representing the Brock Hall of Fame crew from 1967, presented two framed plaques to the rowing program, one showing the history of their crew and a second honoring their coach and long time head coach of Brock University rowing, Tony Biernacki. The 1967 crew also made a donation to start a scholarship fund in memory of Biernacki.

"The rowing program at Brock could not exist without the support of its alumni as it is a very cost-intensive sport," says Somerwil. "Rowing enhances the University experience and I feel it is important that the sport remain accessible to all who want to strive for excellence."

## Volunteer to make a difference in a teenage girl's life this fall

This school year, Youth University and the Business Education Council will be supporting a unique, school-based program called Teen Esteem. The Teen Esteem program offers a series of four school-based lunch sessions to teens (girls this fall, boys in the winter) in Grades 6 to 8, at a time when their self-esteem is most vulnerable.

Youth University is currently seeking female volunteer presenters from the Brock community who will be willing to talk about their career and life choices at a Niagara school this fall. Volunteers will arrive as a group and speak for five to 10 minutes each.

This prevention program focuses on the development of self-esteem and competencies among teens who face economic, social, recreational and academic disadvantages. Teen Esteem is designed to:

- Present positive role models;
- Promote school retention and career planning;
- Broaden career horizons;
- Foster self-esteem and confidence as career choosers, goal setters, decision-makers and problem solvers.

Teen Esteem will begin on Monday, Oct. 15. For more information on how to become involved, please call ext. 4380 or e-mail: [sgoodfellow@brocku.ca](mailto:sgoodfellow@brocku.ca)

## Do you know a Grade 9 student?

Brock University is pleased to once again participate in the annual national Take Our Kids to Work Day on Wednesday, Nov. 7. Hundreds of thousands of Grade Nine students from across Canada will spend a day at work job shadowing a parent, relative, friend or volunteer host. The experience assists students in understanding the importance of staying in school, helps them to gain an appreciation for making a living and supporting a family, and helps students make links between education and their future.

Brock's involvement in the program is a great way to highlight the diversity of roles at our University, and to develop connections with these future Brock students. Human Resources and Environment, Health and Safety is currently planning an interesting and informative day of programming that includes mandatory health and safety training, a morning of campus tours and planned activities, followed by an afternoon of job shadowing with their Brock parent or sponsor.

If you know a Grade 9 student and you would like to be his or her host, please contact Lori Sather at ext. 3023; e-mail: [lsather@brocku.ca](mailto:lsather@brocku.ca). For more information and a full schedule of events, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/oehs](http://www.brocku.ca/oehs)



## University to commemorate General Brock

The Brock 1812 Bicentenary Committee, comprised of Brock faculty and members of the local community, will host a "General Brock Commemoration Day," on Friday, Oct. 12 at the University. Maj.-General Sir Isaac Brock died on Oct. 13, 1812 during the Battle of Queenston Heights in the War of 1812.

The event will feature the Fort George Drum and Fife Corps, uniformed re-enactors, the University's Chaplain, President Jack Lightstone and student representatives. All are welcome to attend. The service will conclude with a brief flag-lowering ceremony at 11 a.m. in front of Schmon Tower by a small detachment from the Lincoln and Welland Regiment. Hot cider will be served immediately after the ceremony in Isaac's at 11:15 a.m.

## Documentary focuses on student project in Jamaica

A documentary film by Brock students on a unique project in Jamaica will be shown on Monday, Oct. 15, at 5 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. This is a free community event.

In July 2007, Professor Jane Leavitt, Department of Dramatic Arts, and arts educator and dub poet Michael St. George, accompanied 18 Brock students to Port Antonio, Jamaica, to run TAP (Turn Around Project) — an integrated arts program. More than 100 Jamaican children participated in TAP, 18 of whom were bused in from August Town, one of Jamaica's poorest communities.

Fifteen Drama in Education and Society students developed and ran TAP for these children. Ryan Burke, President of Brock's Black Student's Society, participated in this program, and two students from Brock's Communications, Popular Culture and Film Department filmed a documentary on the program.

Within the challenging realities that many Jamaicans face every day, Brock students experienced a life transformation. They came away with a broader cultural vision that embraced an interconnectedness and a greater personal potential about life and the world in which we live. As one student remarked, "It's not what we did for them... it's what they did for us."

## Niagara Symphony Orchestra set for 60th season

The Niagara Symphony's 60th anniversary season gets underway later this week with a stirring performance. "From the Moldau to the Danube: Dvořák's Violin Concerto" will be performed on Sunday, Oct. 14, at 2:30 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre at the Brock Centre for the Arts.

"From the Moldau to the Danube" features guest violinist Stephen Sitariski playing one of the most expressive violin concerti of the repertoire, Antonin Dvořák's Concerto for Violin in A Minor, Op. 53. This moving and lyrical work was written for celebrated violinist Joseph Joachim but never performed by him.

Audience members are invited to join Associate Conductor Laura Thomas in the auditorium 45 minutes prior to curtain for a pre-concert talk.

Tickets (\$37, \$33, \$25, \$10 students, \$5 high-school students with student card) are available at the Centre for the Arts Box Office, ext. 3257.

## Greenscapes ~ Sense and Meaning: "The Garden in the City"

An academic and community event will explore social, cultural, and historical aspects of gardens in human societies at Brock University. Greenscapes ~ Sense and Meaning, which takes place Oct. 18 to 20, has attracted scholars, landscape architects, urban planners, and artists from as far away as Germany, New Zealand, and California.

Garden space is increasingly recognized not only for its horticultural interest, but as an expression of ecological and environmental awareness, a venue for social interaction, and a vehicle for communicating and disseminating cultural information. This year's theme, "The Garden in the City," has resulted in more than 35 presentations examining the historical and contemporary relationship between the garden and urban identity.

The two days of papers are framed by opening and closing keynote speakers. On Thursday, Oct. 18 at 8 p.m., Lorraine Johnson will present "Tending the Earth" - a reflection on changing the world one garden at a time.

On Saturday, Oct. 20, the closing dinner features Richard V. Piacentini, Executive Director of the Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens and past-president of the American Public Gardens Association, speaking on "The Reverse Greenhouse Effect." He questions whether the 19th century giant glasshouses, symbols of domination over nature which gave their name to global warming, can serve as a catalyst for change.

Information on the full program and registration is available at: [www.brocku.ca/greencapes](http://www.brocku.ca/greencapes)

Tickets for keynote speakers only are available through Brock Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257.

Symposium organizers Keri Cronin (Visual Arts), Sharilyn J. Ingram (School of Fine and Performing Arts), Leah Knight (English), Katharine T. von Stackelberg (Classics), and David Galbraith (Royal Botanical Gardens/McMaster) gratefully acknowledge the support of the Humanities Research Institute and the Brock University Advancement Fund.

## Margaret Trudeau to speak at Brock

The Niagara Branch of the Canadian Mental Health Association presents former "First Lady of Canada" Margaret Trudeau for a presentation entitled "Break the Silence on Mental Illness." The event takes place on Thursday, Oct. 18 in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre.

Doors open at 6 p.m., with the presentation getting underway at 7 p.m. There will also be time for a question-and-answer period at 7:45 p.m.

Tickets for the event are \$30, and are available by calling the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257, or online at [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca)

## Mediatalk People in the news

**Glenn Stalker**, Assistant Professor of Recreation and Leisure Studies, was a guest on a one-hour National Public Radio broadcast on July 31 on FM 90.7 WFAE from Charlotte, N.C., on the topic of "cocooning."

**Tony Bogaert**, Professor of Community Health Sciences, was interviewed by *Elle Canada* magazine about his research into asexuality for an article, entitled "A-Sexomatic," which appeared in the magazine's July 31 issue.

**John Yardley**, Managing Director of the Workplace Health Research Laboratory at Brock, was interviewed by the CBC for the program "White Coat, Black Art," on the topic of difficult doctors and difficult patients which aired on Aug. 15 and 19.

**Jamie Fleming**, Director of Residences, was interviewed by CHCH TV (Hamilton) and City-TV (Toronto) about the University's residence move-in day which took place on Labour Day, Sept. 3.

**Charles Burton**, Professor of Political Science, was quoted in two recent *Singtao Daily* news stories on Sept. 7 that were based on documents obtained from the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade through an Access to Information request: "Ottawa hoped to use the Olympics to encourage Beijing to improve human rights" and "Chinese Department downgraded, Canada-China human rights dialogue takes an unexpected turn."

**Kathy Belicki**, Professor of Psychology and **Nancy DeCourville**, Associate Professor of Psychology, were interviewed about their research on forgiveness, forgiveness-seeking and apology by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Sept. 18 feature story, entitled "The power of forgiveness." The article was also reprinted in the *Niagara Falls Review* on Sept. 24.

**Lewis Soroka**, Professor of Economics, was interviewed by the *London Free Press* for a Sept. 20 story about the rising Canadian dollar, "High-flying loonie levels off." The article was also reprinted in the *Edmonton Sun*, *Ottawa Sun* and *Calgary Sun*.

Soroka was also interviewed by *Niagara This Week* for a Sept. 28 story on the same topic, "Consumers benefit, industry dreads."

**Donna Moody**, Director of Campus Security, was interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a Sept. 20 story about using text messaging technology to respond to emergencies on campus,

"Texting could be new tool in school safety."

The article was also reprinted in the *St. Catharines Standard* and *Welland Tribune*.

**Barry Grant**, Professor of Communications, Popular Culture and Film, was interviewed by the *Ottawa Citizen* for a Sept. 29 story about the popularity of the Western genre in film during times of war, entitled "Tough times, so the West gets won... again."

**David Sharron**, University Archivist and Head of Special Collections in the James A. Gibson Library, was interviewed by *Niagara Magazine* about the University's Masonic Collection for a story about Freemasonry, entitled "An Open Secret?," which appears in the magazine's October/November issue.

**Tony Volk**, Assistant Professor of Child and Youth Studies, had his research on the importance of child resemblance to men and women featured in the October 2007 *Cosmopolitan* magazine Hot Sheet, "Who's Your Daddy?."

The following media coverage was generated by the official opening of the Plaza Building and Jack and Nora Walker Canadian Centre for Lifespan Development Research which took place on Sept. 18:

- **Sid Segalowitz**, Professor of Psychology, Zopito Marini, Professor Child and Youth Studies, and Frances Owen, Associate Professor of Child and Youth Studies, were all interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Sept. 19 article, "Brock lifespan researchers now under same roof."
- **Jane Dywan**, Professor of Psychology, and Professor Segalowitz were interviewed by *Niagara This Week* for a Sept. 21 story, "'One-of-a-kind' Lifespan centre opens at Brock."
- **Jack Lightstone**, Brock University President, and Professor Segalowitz were interviewed by TV Cogeco Niagara for "The Source."
- President Lightstone, **Michael Ashton**, Professor of Psychology and **Sharon Lawler** from the Department of Community Health Sciences, were interviewed by CBC Radio-Canada for a news segment that appeared on the Ontario edition of "Le Telejournal," on Sept. 18.
- **Cheryl McCormick**, Professor of Psychology, was interviewed by French CBC Radio out of Toronto (AM 860) on Sept. 14.
- **Teena Willoughby**, Professor of Psychology, was interviewed on AM 610 CKTB's "Drive Home" program on Sept. 18.

## Positive Space announces Hamilton workshops

The Positive Space Campaign Committee is pleased to announce new workshop dates for the Hamilton campus:

- Wednesday, Dec. 5: 1 to 3 p.m.
- Tuesday, Jan. 15: 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Remaining dates for the St. Catharines campus (Fall term schedule) include:

- Friday, Sept. 28: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Tuesday, Oct. 2: 3 to 5 p.m.
- Wednesday, Oct. 17: 5 to 7 p.m.
- Monday, Oct. 29: 9 to 11 a.m.
- Thursday, Nov. 15: 4 to 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, Nov. 27: 12 noon to 2 p.m.

Positive Space workshops are free of charge and all interested Brock community members are welcome to attend — faculty, staff and students. This two-hour, interactive workshop will provide participants with the knowledge and comfort to become a "positive space" on campus and earn a postcard and/or button to be designated as a Positive Space. Register by e-mail at [positivespace@brocku.ca](mailto:positivespace@brocku.ca)

This campaign is part of Brock University's commitment to promoting a respectful work and learning environment for all our community members. For more information, please contact the Office of Human Rights and Equity Services at ext. 5657 or visit: [www.brocku.ca/positivespace](http://www.brocku.ca/positivespace)

## Brock Briefs

### MEd thesis defences

Michelle Schmid, Master of Education student, will present her thesis entitled "The Only Child Grows Up: Exploring Adult Only-Child Educators" on Thursday, Oct. 18, at 10 a.m. in WH147. External Examiner: Tanya Martini, Brock University; Thesis Supervisor: Vera Woloshyn; Committee Members: Mary-Louise Vanderlee and Arlene Grierson; Chair of the Examining Committee: TBA. All are welcome to attend.

May Al-Fartousi, Master of Education student, will present her thesis entitled "Implementing a Question-Generation Strategy with Bilingual Students: Exploring the Perspectives of a Beginning Teacher" on Friday, Oct. 19, at 12:05 p.m. in WH147. External Examiner: Lisa Korteweg, Lakehead University; Thesis Supervisor: Vera Woloshyn; Committee Members: Joe Engemann and Tiffany Gallagher; Chair of the Examining Committee: TBA. All are welcome to attend.

## Faculty and Staff

### APPLIED LINGUISTICS

**Hedy McGarrell** presented a paper entitled "Teacher Language Functions in Electronic and Face-to-Face Teaching Contexts" at the 40th British Association of Applied Linguistics (BAAL) Meeting at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, held Sept. 4 to 8.

### GEOGRAPHY

**David Butz** recently gave the following presentations:

- "Bearing the White Man's (Other) Burden: Portering Labour Relations in Shimshal, Pakistan." Invited lecture for the Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies Seminar Series, Seattle, Wash., Jan. 30, 2007.
- "Sustainable Tourism and Everyday Life in Shimshal, Pakistan." Invited lecture for the University of Washington South Asia Centre Seminar Series, Seattle, Wash., Jan. 31, 2007.
- "Tourism and Portering Labour in Shimshal, Northern Areas, Pakistan," paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, San Francisco, Calif., April 17 to 21.
- "Burnin' and Lootin' across the Black Atlantic (Leeds, 1973): Trans-local associations of identity and experience," paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Association of Geographers, in Saskatoon, Sask. from May 30 to June 2.

**Marilyne Jollineau** was recently awarded a three-year research grant, valued at \$275,000, from the Ontario Centres of Excellence for a project entitled "Integration of Remotely Sensed Data into a Precision Agriculture System for Improved Vineyard Management." Further financial and in-kind support has also been received from Hillebrand Estates and Coyotes Run wineries and Environmental Geosolutions, Inc.

### MATHEMATICS

**Henryk Fuks** organized (together with A. Lawniczak of University of Guelph) the 13th International Workshop on Cellular Automata, AUTOMATA 2007, which took place in the Fields Institute for Research in Mathematical Sciences in Toronto from Aug. 27 to 29. The workshop, held for the first time in North America, attracted the largest number of participants in the history of AUTOMATA conferences. A special issue of the *Journal of Cellular Automata* devoted to the workshop's proceedings will be published, with the organizers serving as guest editors.

### ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOUR, HUMAN RESOURCES, ETHICS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

**Kojo Saffu** recently made the following presentations:

- presented the paper "The contribution of human capital and resource-based view to the performance of small to medium-sized tourism ventures" with S. Aporih and Angela Mensah at the eighth International Academy of African Business and Development Conference held at the London Metropolitan University, London, U.K., from May 29 to June 2.
- presented the paper "The impact of human resource management (HRM) practices on performance: An analysis of small and medium size tourism enterprises" with S. Aporih and Angela Mensah at the International Council of Small Business Conference held in Turku, Finland from June 1 to 15.
- presented the paper "A Comparative Study of the Attitudes of Russian and Slovakian Consumers toward a "Buy Local" Campaign" with John Walker at the seventh International Conference on Knowledge, Culture and Change in Organizations held at the Singapore Management University, Singapore, from July 24 to 27.

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

**Livianna S. Tossutti** presented a paper entitled "A Typology of Urban Approaches to Immigration and Diversity," at the 19th biennial conference of the Canadian Ethnic Studies Association, held in Winnipeg, Man., from Sept. 27 to 30.

### PSYCHOLOGY

**Stan Sadava** recently attended the European Congress of Psychology in Prague, Czech Republic, July 2007, where he presented the following papers:

- **Sadava, S. W.**; Busseri, M.; Molnar, D. S.; Perrier, C.; and **DeCourville, N.** "Attachment orientation and health."
- **Sadava, S. W.**; Busseri, M.; Molnar, D. S. and Perrier, C. "Notes towards a positive psychology of health."

### RECREATION AND LEISURE STUDIES

**Trent Newmeyer** recently presented the paper "Knit One, Stitch Two, Protest Three! - Leisure, Crafts and Resistance" at the 2007 British Leisure Studies Association (LSA) Conference, held in Easbourne, U.K., from July 3 to 5. Palgrave-Macmillan has expressed interest in publishing a book on his work on 'craftivism'.

### SOCIOLOGY

**Nancy Cook** presented the paper "Gendered Globetrotting: Mapping Development Travels to Northern Pakistan" in a session entitled "Gender and Mobility" at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, San Francisco, Calif., April 2007.

**Michael K. Palamarek** presented a paper entitled "Alienation or Utopia? Adorno's Critique of Foreign Words," at Re-Thinking the Frankfurt School, a conference held at the Canadian Centre for German and European Studies, York University, Toronto, September 2007.

**Michelle Webber** attended the Gender, Work and Organization International, Interdisciplinary Conference at Keele University, England (June 2007), where she presented her paper "Cultivating Miss Congeniality: Contingent Female Faculty and the Dilemmas of Feminism."

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## Events

**Department of Physics:** Dr. Jan Veizer, Ottawa-Carleton Geoscience Center, University of Ottawa, will present "Climate, water cycle and CO2: a geological perspective" on Tuesday, Oct. 16 at 12:30 p.m. in PL 409. Everyone is welcome.

**Department of Classics:** Professor Mary Lefkowitz, Mellon Professor in the Humanities Emerita, Wellesley College, will be presenting a public lecture entitled "Archaeology and the Politics of Origins: The Search for Pyramids in Greece" on Sunday, Oct. 14 at 3 p.m. in AS215. This event is sponsored by the Department of Classics and the Niagara Peninsula Society of the Archaeological Institute of America. For further information, please call ext. 3575, or visit [www.brocku.ca/classics](http://www.brocku.ca/classics) or [www.niagaraiaia.netfirms.com](http://www.niagaraiaia.netfirms.com) This event is free of charge and everyone is welcome to attend.

Dr. Ingrid Holmberg, University of Victoria, will present a public lecture on Wednesday, Oct. 24 from 4 to 5 p.m. in TA307, entitled "Helen's Web of Words" which looks at Helen's speech acts, particularly her statements of self-blame, with a second focus on the Homeric texts' handling of the problem of female speech/language. This event is free of charge and sponsored by the Department of Classics and the Classical Association of Canada. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Conference:** The Department of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures and the Humanities Research Institute present a conference entitled "Starting the Processes: First Drafts, Sketches, and Experiments", on Saturday, Oct. 27, in the Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber. A copy of the program may be found at: [www.brocku.ca/modernlanguages/UpcomingWebpage.php](http://www.brocku.ca/modernlanguages/UpcomingWebpage.php)

**Music@Noon:** The Department of Music presents a faculty recital featuring Zoltan Kalman, clarinet, and Lesley Kingham, piano, on Tuesday, Oct. 23, from 12 noon to 12:50 p.m., in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Treat yourself to a mid-day music break. Free admission. For more information, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/music](http://www.brocku.ca/music)

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# Celebrating BrockDays 2007



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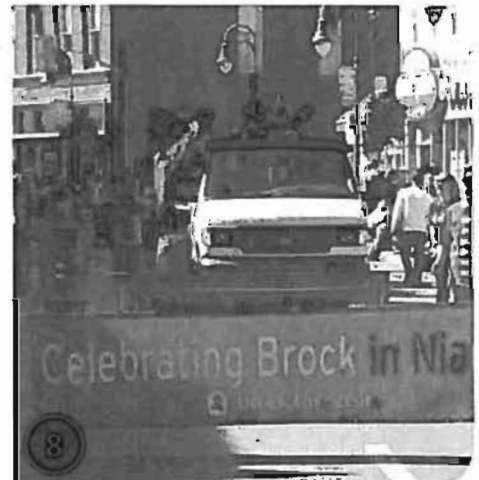


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1. CCOVI once again had a presence in Montebello Park, offering wine tasting seminars enjoyed by the public.

2. Fine Food, Fine Wine, Fine Arts, a taste experience featuring Niagara's finest chefs and wineries at Rodman Hall, welcomed many distinguished guests. Among them were, from left, Terry Boak, Provost and Vice-President, Academic; Ned Goodman, Brock's Chancellor-Elect; and Anita Goodman.

3. CCOVI also hosted three "Lunch and Learn" series in the wine cellar tasting room where faculty and staff learned about various wine pairings and local wineries.

4. The Brock Café, set up in Montebello Park, welcomed alumni and friends to sit back and enjoy after the Grande Parade.

5. The Lunchtime Jammers were one of several acts that entertained faculty, staff and students in performances around campus.

6. Jamie Fleming, Director of Residences (pictured with his wife, Liz Fleming), was the guest of honour for Tribute! A Brock Days Tradition. Fleming was recognized for his contributions to Brock - both in seriousness and in jest - during during a fun evening.

7. Students once again got down and dirty during the Brock Days Kickoff Barbecue and Grape Stomp. The stomp soon turned to a grape war when the fruit started flying.

8. Brock showed its community spirit during the Niagara Wine Festival's Pen Centre Grande Parade held in St. Catharines.



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A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## Researchers working in collaboration with major pharmaceutical company

A Brock University professor world-renowned for his work in green chemistry was recently presented with a \$30,000 cheque from Noramco Inc., a subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson, for new methods he and his team of researchers developed to manufacture pain relief medication.

Tomas Hudlicky, Canada Research Chair and Professor in the Department of Chemistry and Centre for Biotechnology, received the license fee for his team's work in developing new analgesic compounds and the processes for producing them. This is the latest financial contribution in a two-year relationship between the researchers and Noramco Inc. and marks the first licensing agreement between Brock and a pharmaceutical company.

"Professor Hudlicky's research illustrates the importance of combining a profound understanding of the art of chemical synthesis with green science," says Ian Brindle, Acting Associate Vice-President, Research and International Development.

Until now, manufacturing of analgesics and various antagonists used in addiction treatment relied on a potentially toxic class of substances. Noramco was challenged to either reduce or eliminate the amount of the potentially toxic substance used in production.

Hudlicky's work focuses on the development of shorter and more environmentally benign methods of synthesis by combining chemical and biological methods. His research meets the needs of Noramco because it is aimed at redesigning those steps in the manufacturing process of analgesics that use or produce toxic substances. In addition, new derivatives of known analgesic compounds are being developed and tested.

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## Fall Preview Day - Nov. 4

Brock's annual Fall Preview Day will be held on Sunday, Nov. 4 from 1 to 4 p.m. This event is held for prospective students, parents and the general public. Fall Preview Day is a critical part of the recruitment process, as it occurs just before prospective students will be determining to which universities they will apply.

If you have any questions about your role in Fall Preview Day, or how you can become involved, please contact Melissa Coleman in Recruitment and Liaison Services at ext. 4685, or e-mail: [mcoleman@brocku.ca](mailto:mcoleman@brocku.ca) Registration is recommended. For more details, visit [www.brocku.ca/prospective](http://www.brocku.ca/prospective) and click on "Register for Fall Preview Day".

## United Way Kickoff

Come out on Wednesday, Oct. 31 at 12 noon in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre lobby to help celebrate the launch of the 2007 United Way Campaign. Mark your calendars!



## Fall Convocation

An unidentified student makes a last-minute call just prior to the start of the Fall Convocation ceremony on Saturday, Oct. 13. More than 800 students graduated over the weekend, which also included the installation of Brock's seventh Chancellor, Ned Goodman.

## New Chancellor urges students to make mistakes — and learn from them



Ned Goodman

Raymond Moriyama who was present in the audience.

Speaking before graduating students, their families and friends, Goodman said that though he has four degrees, "none gives me more honour than the one that has been bestowed today."

As Chancellor, Goodman assumes a leadership role in advancing the University and plays a vital role in the educational welfare of Brock students. The Chancellor is the titular head of the University and presides over all Convocations.

Goodman, founder and CEO of Dundee Corporation and Dundee Wealth and Chairman of Goodman and Company, acknowledged he's made "many, many mistakes" and he encouraged graduates to do the same. If one learns from mistakes, he said, one progresses.

As an example of moving forward because of mistakes, he cited Niagara's success as a premium wine-producing area. The first mistake, he said, was the reluctance of wineries to shift to different grape varieties. Once they did, their sales and reputation grew. Icewine was also discovered by mistake, he said, and is now the region's signature wine.

He also urged graduating students

to pursue their dreams "because the pursuit of a dream rarely leads to regret." And like hockey great Wayne Gretzky, he advised them to "go where the puck is going, not where it is."

Goodman also encouraged his audience to be "works in progress", have fun, be curious, and live with a sense of humour and humility.

"What we receive, we must share," he said. "We learn what we can, we improve what we can, and we pass it on."

Goodman is the founder and benefactor of the Goodman Institute of Investment Management, a graduate school providing an MBA degree and a CFA charter, which was established at Concordia University in Montreal. He serves there as an Adjunct Professor and as a member of the Associates of the Chancellor.

In addition, he connects widely with the community as Chairman Emeritus of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, a Governor of Junior Achievement of Canada, a Vice-Chair of the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario and as a member of the Toronto Society of Financial Analysts and the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. He is a founding director of the Roasters Foundation, the Jodamada Foundation and the Dynamic Fund Foundation.

Goodman, completed his undergraduate studies in Science at McGill University and graduate studies in Business Administration at the University of Toronto. He achieved a Chartered Financial Analyst from the University of Virginia in 1967. A Doctorate of Laws, honoris causa, was conferred upon him by Concordia University in 1997.

## Flags lowered, muskets fired to commemorate Sir Isaac



Hundreds of onlookers gathered on Oct. 12 to commemorate the death of Maj.-Gen. Sir Isaac Brock on the campus of the University for which he is named. The ceremony is to become an annual event.

Felled during the Battle of Queenston Heights on Oct. 13, 1812 by a musket ball fired by an American sharpshooter, Sir Isaac was remembered as a hero who was instrumental in the shaping of Canada.

The ceremony took place in front of the Schmon Tower on the brisk autumn day and was hosted by the Brock 1812 Bicentenary Committee. Uniformed re-enactors from the fife and drum corps from Fort George and Fort Erie began the event. They represented the 49th and 41st regiments and native allies and also fired muskets following the remarks of dignitaries. Professor David Schimmelpenninck, Chair, Department of History, welcomed the onlookers and guest speakers.

"We are fortunate that the battles of that war ended all war in this region," said Brock University President Jack Lightstone, who called war a terrible business. The victory was a turning point in the war, he said, and without that victory, "Canada would not have come into existence."

He added that almost 200 years of peace on Canadian soil have followed the War of 1812 victory.

Following Lightstone's remarks, the crowd observed the lowering to half staff of the three flags that traditionally fly on campus — the Ontario provincial flag, the Canadian Maple Leaf flag, and the Brock University flag.

Rev. George Addison, Campus Ministries, is a descendant of Rev. Robert Addison who presided at the funeral of Sir Isaac. Rev. George Addison honoured those who gave their lives before and during the War of 1812 and those who have sacrificed their lives since. Addison also noted that Sir Isaac rose to his military position by dint of hard work and talent, rather than by wealth or family position. He also praised the significant contributions of the British army's native allies.

Speakers also included Damien O'Brien, Vice-President University Affairs, Brock University Students' Union, and Claire Meldrum, President of the Graduate Students' Association. After the ceremony, hot cider was served at Isaac's.





Professor Tomas Hudlicky, third from left front row, holds a cheque from Noramco Inc., surrounded by senior administration, members of his research team, and representatives from the Office of Research Services.

### Researchers working continues from page 1.



Dr. Phillip Cox

Scientist for Noramco, Inc.

The Hudlicky research team includes postdoctoral associate Dr. Robert Carroll and graduate student Hannes Leisch.

The Johnson & Johnson company through its Pain and Worldwide Narcotics Franchises actively pursues safer, more effective and less expensive medications and treatment strategies for the reduction of pain and chemical dependency.

As part of this program, the company enlists the aid and financially supports skilled researchers in the academic sector in research programs which benefit the community at large as well as the

"We congratulate Dr. Hudlicky and his team on his achievements to date and continue to look for mutually beneficial ways to encourage this collaboration," says Dr. Phillip Cox, Chief

researchers and students who are engaged in these projects.

Since 2006, the Hudlicky research team has received more than \$350,000 in support from Noramco Inc. and submitted three patent applications.

"The relationship between Dr. Hudlicky and Noramco fits well with Brock University's goal of making an impact in the world of research," says Brindle. "We look forward to ongoing developments in collaborative research with Noramco."

The potential financial impact of the discoveries is considerable. The market for pain analgesics is expected to reach \$75 billion by 2010 as companies try to satisfy public demands for effective relief from acute pain. The multibillion-dollar market for pharmacotherapies is expected to continue to grow with the increasing prevalence of alcohol, nicotine, and narcotic dependencies, as well as the need for treatments for methamphetamine, phencyclidine, and gambling addictions.

Noramco, a subsidiary of healthcare giant Johnson & Johnson, makes active pharmaceutical ingredients used in a number of pharmaceuticals manufactured by Johnson & Johnson subsidiaries, including Ortho-McNeil Pharmaceutical and Janssen Pharmaceutica.

## What does health and well-being mean to you?

Whether it means achieving a state of physical fitness, a feeling of emotional and intellectual fulfilment, or a balance of many elements, here is your chance to make a difference.

The Health and Well-being Advisory Committee advises Human Resources/ Environment, Health and Safety on employee health issues and recommends programs and activities that promote the elements of wellness and foster individual health and well-being. There are currently two vacancies in the Admin/Professional Exempt group. Your participation on this committee is a chance for you to share your ideas and contribute to Brock's goal to assist its employees in the achievement of their personal health, the development of healthy lifestyles and the maintenance of a vital community.

Nominations or volunteers for this position are now invited and should be submitted to Human Resources and Environment, Health and Safety by Friday, Nov. 2. Nominations should be agreed upon and signed by the person you are nominating.

Ballots will be distributed to all eligible voters on or before Friday, Nov. 9. Please direct any questions to Lori Sather at ext. 3023.

Make a difference — get involved. Information on the committee can be found at

[www.brocku.ca/oehs/health\\_wellbeing/](http://www.brocku.ca/oehs/health_wellbeing/)

## Mediatalk

People in the news

MEDIAtalk will return in the next issue of Brock News

## Tecumseh Centre supports Native Mexican researcher

Eva Arellano, a Native graduate student at the Department of Education Universidad de las Américas at Cholula Mexico, spent two days in the Niagara region this summer interviewing a number of Native people for her thesis. Her work was supported by faculty, staff and students at Brock's Tecumseh Centre for Aboriginal Research and Education.

Arellano's research involves a comparative study of the barriers experienced by Native people in Mexico and Canada because their first language is not English.

"It is important for Indigenous scholars and researchers from many countries to share their experiences and stories at this time in history," said Michael Manley-Casimir, Acting Director of the Tecumseh Centre. "The Tecumseh Centre has the opportunity to support and participate in that dialogue and this is an example of that work."

## Brock partners with University of Buffalo on new international initiative

Brock University has established a major new exchange partnership with the University of Buffalo (UB) that calls for a variety of co-operative research and educational initiatives, with a particular focus on the shared border region of Southern Ontario and Western New York.

A major feature of the new agreement is a commitment to jointly establish a binational Institute on Border Studies that would be the first joint institute of its kind established by Canadian and U.S. universities.

The agreement calls for Brock and UB to offer cross-listed and team-taught courses, and for faculty from each campus to develop jointly new courses and curricula that will strengthen programs of shared interest.

The agreement was signed on Oct. 1 by UB President John B. Simpson, who hosted a delegation of 10 senior administrators and faculty from Brock, including Brock President and Vice-Chancellor Jack N. Lightstone.

Brock and UB share the distinction of being major universities in close proximity to their respective sides of the Canadian-American border. Border issues, including border security, trade and investment, regional economic development, and tourism, will continue to be among the key areas of shared interest between the two institutions.

The partnership will build on and formalize Brock's longstanding ties to UB. These include a continuing collaboration between Brock and the Urban Design Project of the UB School of Architecture and Planning on regional and public policy planning for the binational region.

Brock is currently developing a regional policy institute and is drawing on the example and expertise of the UB Regional Institute. Brock's institute, provisionally named the Niagara Observatory, will gather, analyze and interpret data about the Niagara Region of Ontario for the benefit of scholars and policymakers.

The agreement also makes provision for student and faculty exchange between the two universities and commits the partners to providing significant seed funding to support joint research activities by Brock and UB faculty across a range of disciplines.

"Our shared commitment to exercising a leadership role in the future development of our surrounding communities will help strengthen and advance all of the collaborative activities that Brock and UB undertake, and will help promote increased understanding and co-operation between the leaders and communities on both sides of our shared border," Simpson said.

Lightstone noted, "Brock University and the University at Buffalo share a common commitment to partner with their respective communities in order to spur economic, social and cultural development."

"We have many complementary strengths and our communities face similar challenges in an age of globalization and similar opportunities as gateways of trade between our nations. Therefore, both the universities and our host regions have much to gain by deepening co-operation between Brock University and the University at Buffalo," Lightstone added.

Also attending the signing ceremony were representatives from the Consulate General of Canada in Buffalo and the U.S. Consulate General in Toronto. Officials from both consulates have expressed strong support for the new UB-Brock agreement.

The University at Buffalo is a premier research-intensive public university, the largest and most comprehensive campus in the State University of New York. UB's more than 28,000 students pursue their academic interests through more than 300 undergraduate, graduate and professional degree programs. Founded in 1846, the University at Buffalo is a member of the Association of American Universities.

## University to host community health fair next month

The community is invited to Brock on Monday, Nov. 5 to have fun while learning about current health issues at the annual Health Fair hosted by the University's Health Services Department.

Participants at Health Fair 2007 can evaluate their level of health, assess their stress management skills, learn about the positive impact of physical activity and test their knowledge about nutrition. A variety of other information will be available to help people examine their health and to encourage them to lead a healthy lifestyle.

Health Fair 2007 is a free event, open to all members of the community and will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Ian D. Beddis Gymnasium, which is located in the Walker Complex.

Medical staff from Student Health Services, faculty, staff and students from within the University, as well as professionals and representatives from area organizations, will provide more than 90 interactive displays on current health issues. Some of the additional topics include massage therapy, smoking

cessation, hand hygiene, sports injuries, physical activity, personal safety, substance abuse and relaxation technique.

The Niagara Regional Police will also be partnering with several other agencies in a live field sobriety testing with the assistance of the centre of forensic sciences (11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.).

For more information, visit [www.brocku.ca/healthservices/healthfair.php](http://www.brocku.ca/healthservices/healthfair.php) or contact Melodie Shick-Porter, Director of Clinical Services, Student Health Services, at ext. 4136; email: [mshick@brocku.ca](mailto:mshick@brocku.ca)

**Please note:** Niagara Region Public Health Department will not be hosting their flu clinic at Brock University this year, but will be hosting this near-by clinic, with the objective of testing the mass immunization plan of our Regional pandemic influenza plan, providing for members of the community to participate and receive their annual flu shot. The clinic will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 6 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Niagara Region Headquarters, Campbell East building (entrance off Schmon Parkway).

## Third annual Career and Post-Graduate Expo fast approaching

Career Services will be hosting the third annual Career and Post-Graduate Expo on Tuesday Nov. 6. The event will be hosted from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Ian D. Beddis Gymnasium.

Career Expo encompasses four distinct areas of opportunities for Brock students and graduates, including full- and part-time job opportunities, post-graduate educational

information, volunteer opportunities and professional development. Students and alumni must register for the event online at [www.mycareerexpo.com](http://www.mycareerexpo.com) for their chance to win various prizes and to receive a list of exhibitors attending this event. Also new this year, students and alumni will be required to show their student and alumni identification at the door.

To ensure the success of the Career and Post-Graduate Expo 2007, faculty and staff are requested to inform students and alumni of this venue. For more information, please visit [www.mycareerexpo.com](http://www.mycareerexpo.com) or contact Lisa Kuiper, Employer Development/Events and Marketing Co-ordinator at [lkuiper@brocku.ca](mailto:lkuiper@brocku.ca), or call ext. 3376.

## Senior academic administrative search/reappointment committees

The following people have agreed to participate in the following four Advisory Search Committees taking place this year. One committee is for the reappointment of John Corlett, Dean of the Faculty of Applied Health Sciences and the other three committees are for the positions of Vice-President, Research; Dean of Social Sciences and Dean of Business. Deans David Siegel and Martin Kusy are stepping down from their decanal positions, and Michael Owen has left the University to take up a position at the Ontario College of Art and Design.

All searches will take place in the coming months.

### Vice-President, Research and International Development

Board of Trustees: Joy Rogers and John Suk  
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Languages, Literature Cultures  
Mathematics and Science: Jeff Atkinson,  
Chemistry

Social Sciences: Cheryl McCormick,  
Psychology

Graduate Studies: Miriam Richards, Biological  
Science

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Graduate Students' Association President  
BUSU Representatives: Damien O'Brien, Vice-  
President University Affairs; James  
O'Brien, President

### Decanal search - Faculty of Social Sciences

Terry Boak, Provost and Vice-President,  
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Frances Owen, Child and Youth Studies  
Mohammed Dore, Economics  
Mike Ripmeester, Geography  
June Corman, Labour Studies  
John Sorenson, Sociology  
Leah Bradshaw, Political Science

Carolyn Hafer, Psychology  
John Middleton, Tourism and Environment  
Russell Johnston, Communications, Popular  
Culture and Film

Carol Penner, Staff, Child and Youth Studies  
Merijean Morrissey, Other Faculty, Visual  
Arts/Women Studies

Natalie Elms, Graduate Student, PhD  
Psychology; Vice-President Internal, GSA

Damien O'Brien, Undergraduate Student,  
Vice-President University Affairs, BUSU  
Decanal appointment/reappointment -  
Faculty of Applied Health Sciences

Terry Boak, Provost and Vice-President,  
Academic, Advisory Committee Chair  
Linda Ritchie, Nursing

Danny Rosenberg, Physical Education and  
Kinesiology

Kelli-an Lawrance, Community Health  
Sciences

Lucie Thibault, Sport Management  
Tim O'Connell, Recreation and Leisure Studies

Mike Fawkes, Staff, Recreation and Leisure  
Bob Carlone, Other Faculty, Biological  
Sciences

Aynsley Thielman, Graduate Student; Vice-  
President External, GSA

Laura Grouchy, Undergraduate Student; Vice-  
President, Student Services, BUSU

### Decanal search - Faculty of Business

Terry Boak, Provost and Vice-President,  
Academic, Advisory Committee Chair

Darlene Bay, Accounting  
Rafaat Roubi, Accounting

Dirk De Clercq, Organizational Behaviour,  
Human Resources, Ethics and  
Entrepreneurship

Carman Cullen, Marketing, International  
Business and Strategy

Mohamed Ayadi, Finance, Operations and  
Information Systems

John Walker, Finance, Operations and  
Information Systems

Lainie Wagner, Staff, Faculty of Business  
Tomson Ogwang, Other Faculty, Economics

TBD, Graduate Student

## This fall, help to make the world a better place

Earlier this month, the UN International Day was held for the Eradication of Poverty. To raise awareness of hunger and poverty, on both a local and global level, Brock Diversity has partnered with several groups on campus, including OPIRG, Community Connections, Brock Christian Fellowship, Residence Life Staff, Faculty of Education Student Liason Council, and Stumanity to hold: "Trick or Can" — a campus and community food drive. Last year 1,805 pounds of food were collected — this year, the groups hope to surpass this accomplishment!

On Wednesday, Oct. 31, volunteers will travel around the community to "trick or can" and collect any non-perishable or canned goods that community members might have to donate.

You can also help to spread the word

about ending poverty by joining Canada's Make Poverty History Campaign — log on at [www.makepovertyhistory.ca](http://www.makepovertyhistory.ca)

In addition, OPIRG is leading a campus food drive that ends Oct. 31. Bins for donations are located at many locations across campus, including the Information Desk (Tower Lobby), South Service Desk (Lowenberger Residence), North Service Desk (DeCew Residence), the Campus Store, the Walker Complex Service Desk, and the Alumni Student Centre. Faculty, staff and students are asked to donate non-perishable food items and/or toiletry items.

Financial donations can also be made to Community Care of St. Catharines and Thorold through its website at [www.communitycare.ca](http://www.communitycare.ca)

All donations will go to Community Care of St. Catharines and Thorold.



### Outdoor classroom experience results in cleanup of Decew Gorge

Students from the Department of Recreation and Leisure Studies' Environmental and Ecological Literacy course recently took their in-class learning outside and hiked from the Brock campus along the Bruce Trail to the Morningstar Mill at Decew Falls. The field-based activity was organized to expose students to the different ways of becoming environmentally literate.

As part of the experience, students engaged in a cleanup of the Decew Gorge to help keep it pristine for others to enjoy. In total, students carried five bags of trash, half of a computer, a car tire, and an old bicycle out of the gorge.

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## New centre offers students a glimpse into medieval history

This past September, the Faculty of Humanities launched the new Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies. The Centre offers an innovative BA program that uses an interdisciplinary approach to study the Medieval and Renaissance periods. Understanding Medieval and Renaissance culture(s) illustrates their legacy, and their importance in shaping who and what we are.

The program offers students the opportunity to delve into these periods in more detail than is possible through any single discipline. About one dozen professors from Classics, Drama, Music, Literatures and Cultures, History, Modern Language, and English are contributing to the program. With interests ranging from medieval Icelandic literature to Renaissance Italy to British history, many of these professors will lecture in the first year course.

To officially celebrate the launch of the program, the Centre is hosting a special lecture by Patricia Sutherland from the Canadian Museum of Civilization in Ottawa, Ont.

Sutherland, curator the museum's of Eastern Arctic Archaeology, will present a

lecture entitled "Norse/Native Contact in Arctic Canada" on Friday, Oct. 26 from 4 to 6 p.m. in Academic South 216.

Her past Arctic research has included studies of the Inuit and pre-Inuit occupation of the High Arctic and the Mackenzie Delta. Her recent projects focus on early European/aboriginal contact in the Eastern Arctic.

Andrew McDonald, Director of the Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, says students and faculty will gain much from the presentation "Dr. Sutherland's exciting work is reshaping the way we think about the relationship between the aboriginal peoples and the Europeans who met in the Arctic in the centuries after 1000 AD," says McDonald. "Her work shows sustained contact hundreds of years before Columbus's voyages."

Everyone is welcomed to this free event sponsored by the Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, the Humanities Research Institute and the Brock University Students of History.

For more information, please contact Andrew McDonald at ext. 3569; e-mail: [amcdonal@brocku.ca](mailto:amcdonal@brocku.ca).

## Brock Briefs

### Announcement from the Dean of Social Sciences

Jo Stewart is moving from the Department of Psychology to the Office of the Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences in the newly created position of Administrative Officer. She will continue to have responsibilities for developing and administering collaborative agreements, and for initiating applications for awards for faculty and staff. She will also have some responsibilities for general administrative duties including budgeting and finance. Her new office will be ScotiaBank Hall 323.

**Nostalgic Futures Comparative Literature Conference:** Members of the Brock community are invited to "Nostalgic Futures Conference: Yesterday's Comparative Literature in Tomorrow's World," to be held Friday, Nov. 9 in the Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Hosted by the graduate program for Studies in Comparative Literature and Arts, this exciting one-day conference will see graduate students from North America and Europe exploring issues facing the discipline of comparative literature in the 21st century. Everyone is welcome. The full conference schedule is available on the SCLA website, at [www.brocku.ca/modernlanguages/scla/conference.php](http://www.brocku.ca/modernlanguages/scla/conference.php)

### Ontario Universities' Fair

Thank you to all students, staff and faculty who represented Brock at the Ontario Universities' Fair, Sept. 28 to 30.

About 92,000 people went through the doors of the Metro Toronto Convention Centre over three days — a record for this event. Brock had an outstanding showing, with more than 85 volunteers present. More than 20,000 Brock viewbooks were distributed, 800 prospective student names were collected at the laptop stations, and more than 1,000 people attended Brock presentations.

All volunteers are reminded to submit their expense forms to Linda Steele in TH261. If you haven't yet completed an evaluation, we'd appreciate hearing from you.

— Recruitment and Liaison Services  
Office of the Registrar

### MA thesis defence

MA in Popular Culture candidate Joy Poliquin will defend her thesis, "Heroes on the Home Front: Heroism and Virtue in Post 9/11 American Cinema," this afternoon at 1 p.m. in WH 204. External Examiner: Bruce Jackson (SUNY Buffalo); Supervisor: Darrell Varga (Nova Scotia College of Art and Design); Second Reader: Nick Baxter-Moore; Director: Jim Leach; Committee Chair: Gordon Hodson. All are welcome to attend.

**Demonstration cooking from Japan and India**  
Tired of cooking the same meals all the

time? Come learn from our international students about their traditional home cooking. On Tuesday, Oct. 30, Vinny and Rina will be demonstrating a lunch packed in a traditional Japanese bentou (lunch box), and on Thursday, Nov. 15, Prateek will be demonstrating an Indian vegetarian meal. These free events take place in the Allanburg Lounge in DeCew Residence. Please e-mail the Office of International Services at [intlserv@brocku.ca](mailto:intlserv@brocku.ca) to reserve a space.

**Register for Take Our Kids to Work Day**  
Brock University is once again pleased to participate in the annual national Take Our Kids to Work Day program on Wednesday, Nov. 7. Human Resources and Environment, Health and Safety is organizing a morning program of tours and other activities including mandatory health and safety training beginning at 8:45 am. To register your Grade 9 student, please visit [www.brocku.ca/hr/training/](http://www.brocku.ca/hr/training/). If you are interested in being a volunteer host for a Grade 9 student, please contact Lori Sather at ext. 3023.

### IFRS seminar a success

On Sept. 21, more than 100 participants attended a public round table on the international Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) at Brock. The seminar was very successful and provided valuable information on the 2011 deadline for the transition to IFRSs. Samir Trabelsi, who chaired the session, wishes to thank everyone for their participation.

### Thank you Day for United Way

The Office of International Services presents the fourth annual Thank You Day Flower Sale for the United Way. A carnation costs \$2 and will be delivered on your behalf to anyone on campus. (Flowers can also be sent anonymously.)

This is your opportunity to say thank you to your many friends and co-workers, and also to the special people at Brock who do that little bit extra throughout the year.

Order forms will be delivered via inter-office mail and are also available online at [www.brocku.ca/international](http://www.brocku.ca/international). The deadline to order flowers is Thursday, Oct. 25.

### Celebration to recognize international visitors

Brock International's Fall 2007 We Welcome the World reception will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 30 from 3:45 to 5:15 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge, 13th floor of the Schmon Tower. At the reception, this term's participants in the Visiting International Professor, Visiting International Scholar, and University Mentorship programs will be formally recognized. Participants are from Australia, China, Columbia, France, Germany, Korea, Oman, Pakistan, Puerto Rico and Thailand.

For more information, please RSVP to Cassidy Gong at [cgong@brocku.ca](mailto:cgong@brocku.ca) as soon as possible.



## Faculty and Staff

### ACCOUNTING

**Samir Trabelsi** was invited to present a paper entitled "Incremental Voluntary Disclosure on Corporate Websites and its Determinants" at the first Continuous Reporting Symposium at Rutgers School of Business in New Jersey on Sept. 28, 2007.

### DEAN OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

**David Siegel** spoke to a professional development session for secondary school teachers from the Niagara Catholic District School Board on the topic of "Requirements for Writing a Paper at the University Level," on Oct. 5.

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

**Adam Dickinson** did a reading of his poetry at the St. Catharines Public Library as part of the "Niagara Reads" series on Oct 10. He also read his poetry at the Harbourfront International Festival of Authors in a special satellite reading in Hamilton held Oct. 23 at Gallery on the Bay. Other writers at this event included Barry Callaghan, Michael Winter, D. R. MacDonald and Robert Hough.

### FACULTY OF EDUCATION – GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

**Denise Paquette-Frenette** co-presented a session with Jennifer O'Rourke at the 12th Cambridge International Conference on Open and Distance Learning, held in Cambridge, U.K. from Sept. 25 to 28. The session was entitled "Building footpaths where people walk: how to enhance community in distance learning contexts."

### MATHEMATICS

**Chantal Buteau** delivered a keynote presentation, entitled "Going from CAS to MICA: Integration of Technology in Brock Curriculum," at the first Canadian Computer Algebra System and Dynamic Geometry Systems in Mathematics Education Conference, held at Nipissing University, North Bay, Ont., from Sept. 28 to 30.

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

**Charles Burton** spoke on "Human Rights Education, Citizenship, and Social Cohesion" at the Chinese Communist Party Central Committee Party School in Beijing on Sept. 26. On Sept. 27, he spoke on "Constitutional Guarantees of Human Rights Protection and Civil Society" at the Chinese Communist Party Sichuan Provincial Committee Party School in Chengdu.

**Carl Baar**, Professor Emeritus, made a presentation, "Evaluating Mediation in Diverse Contexts: Alternatives to What?" to a gathering of Justice Department officials and researchers in the Scottish Government, on Sept. 24 at St. Andrew's House, Edinburgh, Scotland.

### PSYCHOLOGY

**John Mitterer** delivered a workshop presentation to a Cengage National Learning Event in Austin, Tex., held Oct. 4 to 6. The title of his presentation was "Fostering student engagement with technology."

**Sid Segalowitz** gave a keynote presentation at a workshop hosted by the Research Center on Conflict in Intelligent Systems of Humboldt University and the Max Planck Institute Center for Lifespan Psychology on "The Meaning of the MFN: Learning from Individual Differences", held in Binz, Germany, Sept 21 to 23.

### SOCIOLOGY/WOMEN'S STUDIES

**Margot Francis** and Karle Herle (Director, First Nations Studies, University of Western Ontario) received a three-year Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Strategic Grant for a project entitled "Memory and History Through Performance at Garden River First Nation." The \$226,000 award was presented in June 2007.

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## Events

**Centre for the Arts:** The 2007-08 Professional Entertainment Season is now underway. All performances start at 7:30 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise stated. Tickets are on sale at [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca) or by calling ext. 3257.

**October 2007:** Tower of Power – *We Want the Funk!*, Oct. 24; Matthew Good (*Hot Ticket Added Event – Sold Out!*), Oct. 25; The Barra MacNeils – 20th Anniversary Tour, Oct 31.

**November 2007:** Paul Taylor Dance Company – *Taylor 2*, Nov. 3 (David S. Howes Theatre); Blackie and the Rodeo Kings with Luke Doucet, Nov. 21; *International Guitar Night*, Nov. 28; The Standard OrchEXTRA: *Shower the People: The Music of James Taylor* featuring the Niagara Symphony and the Jeans 'n Classics Band, Nov. 29.

**December 2007:** Stephan Moccio and Justin Hines, Dec. 1; John McDermott, Dec. 2, 2:30 p.m.; Jose Feliciano – *One Night Only!*, Dec. 6; Alpha YaYa Diallo, Dec. 7; The Irish Rovers – *Wasn't That a (Christmas) Party!?* Dec. 9 at 7:30 p.m. (*New Time*) and Dec. 10 at 7:30 p.m.; *Celebrate Christmas* with The Nylons, Dec. 12; Classic Albums Live: *The Beatles – Abbey Road*, Dec. 13.

**Department of Sociology:** Friends, colleagues, and interested parties are invited to attend a book launch to celebrate recent publications by Kate Bezanson, Nancy Cook, and Michael Palamarek. The launch will be held from 12 noon to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 30, in AS 427. A light lunch and refreshments will be served.

### School of Fine and Performing Arts:

**Dramatic Arts:** *Marat/Sade (The Persecution and Assassination of Jean-Paul Marat as performed by the inmates of the Asylum of Charenton under the Direction of the Marquis de Sade)* by Peter Weiss, directed by Virginia Reh, and designed by David Vivian. Nov. 15, 16, and 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Call the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257 for tickets. Adults \$12. Students \$9.

**Music@Noon:** Recital featuring Performance students on Tuesday, Oct. 30, in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre.

Faculty recital featuring Patricia Dydnansky, flute, and Dr. Erika Reiman, piano, on Tuesday, Nov. 6, in the Concordia Lutheran Seminary Chapel.

Both recitals are from 12 noon to 12:50 p.m. Treat yourself to a mid-day music break.

**ENCORE! Professional Concert Series** presents classical concert pianist Sara Buechner. Her performances and recordings have garnered acclaim on four continents. "Buechner has it all...intelligence, integrity and all-encompassing technical prowess," *The New York Times*. Held in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre, Friday, Nov. 2, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets available through the Box Office, ext. 3257.

**The Choral Series** presents *A New Day: Songs of Peace* featuring The Strata Choir (former semifinalists in CBC choral competitions) on Saturday, Nov. 10, at 7:30 p.m., at Concordia Lutheran Seminary Chapel. Tickets available through the Box Office, ext. 3257 or at the door.

**Visual Arts:** Guest Artists Series presents *Marla Hlady: Playing Piano*. An artist talk will be held on Thursday, Nov. 15, at 7 p.m. at Rodman Hall Arts Centre, 109 St. Paul Crescent. The exhibit runs from Nov. 11 to Dec. 30. Presented in collaboration with Rodman Hall Arts Centre, YYZ Artists Outlet and Ratdrifting Records.

**First Aid/CPR Training at Hamilton Campus:** A two-day Standard First Aid/CPR training course will take place at the Hamilton Campus on Thursday, Nov. 15 and Friday, Nov. 16, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Register on Focus on Learning at [www.brocku.ca/hr/training/](http://www.brocku.ca/hr/training/) or call ext. 3023. All employees on benefits are welcome to attend.

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**Housing wanted:** Brock couple looking for accommodation for May to December, 2008. Non-smokers, no pets, no children. Close to Brock preferred. Please call George at 905-650-1898.

**For sale:** Solid oak coffee table (56" x 22") and end table (23" x 25"). Excellent condition. \$75 or best offer for both. Call 905-468-4578 for more information.

## Edutrail information night

Where will you be going next year? Join the Brock trip hosts and fellow travel enthusiasts for a fun and informative evening where you will learn more about the exciting destinations and educational travel opportunities offered by Brock's Edutrail program in 2008.

Explore the heart of Italy with Professor Corrado Federici (Tuscany); take an Indo-China adventure with Glen Irons (Vietnam and Cambodia), under the guidance of Associate Professor Barbara Seeber; tour the beautiful and inspiring parts of England where literature comes to life (Jane Austen and The Romantics) and ramble through sophisticated Dublin to the marvelous landscapes of southwest Ireland with Professor Hugh Gayler (Ireland).

The Edutrail Information Night will be held on Thursday, Oct. 25, at 7 p.m. at the Rodman Hall Arts Centre. Seating is limited, so please RSVP your attendance by calling the Edutrail office at ext. 5188 or e-mail: [edutrail@brocku.ca](mailto:edutrail@brocku.ca). For trip details, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/edutrail](http://www.brocku.ca/edutrail)

# BrockNews

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER, 7 2007

A NEW LETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## Remembrance Day Service

Brock's annual Remembrance Day Service will be held outdoors in the Walker Complex Courtyard, on Friday, Nov. 9 beginning at 10:45 a.m.

Representatives of Brock administration and the Brock University Students' Union will speak, along with veterans and chaplains.

This year's service will have a multi-faith character, with Gathering Thunder, the First Nations drum group, participating. There will also be brief readings from the Jewish, Muslim and Christian religious traditions.

While Brock, founded in the 1960s, is too young to have an Honour Roll to read, students, staff and faculty of Canadian universities played a huge role in the Canadian war effort in the First and Second World Wars. After each war, veterans returned to the campuses with the hope that future generations would not have to repeat what they had endured.

"Remembrance Day is not a time to glorify war," Chaplain George Addison said. "It is rather a time to reflect on the sacrifices and losses of the past wars, including the World Wars and more recent conflicts, and to rededicate ourselves to work and pray for peace and justice."

The event is sponsored by Brock Campus Ministries. It will be relocated to the Walker Food Court Area in the event of bad weather.

Please contact Chaplain George Addison, ext. 3977, or e-mail: gaddison@brocku.ca for more information.

## Willmot Lecture Series presents Deirdre McMurdy



Deirdre McMurdy

and it will be held in the David S. Howes Theatre.

McMurdy was the business editor on CTV's morning program, *Canada AM* for five years before co-hosting Global Television Network *MoneyWise* with Peter Kent. She also produced and hosted *Prime Business with Deirdre McMurdy* on Global's Prime network. She now co-ordinates Ottawa area, government and business news for local market television stations across the Global Television Network. She became the Chief Political Columnist for the *Ottawa Citizen* in 2006 and writes weekly columns for the *Citizen*, the *National Post* as well as pieces for MSN's financial website, *MSN Money*.

Admission is free, however tickets are required. Tickets are available through the Centre for the Arts Box Office, ext. 3257.

On Thursday, Nov. 8 at 7:30 p.m., the Faculty of Business will welcome Deirdre McMurdy, leading Canadian journalist in business and politics, as the 2007 D. G. Willmot Distinguished Lecturer. The title of her lecture is, "Beyond the Headlines of Canadian Business"

## Professor and graduate student travel to Mexico to film CBC documentary



Professor Ana Sanchez, in Puebla, Mexico, is interviewed by a CBC film crew.

Ana Sanchez, Professor of Community Health Sciences, and graduate student Angela Duarte travelled to Puebla, Mexico, from Oct. 9 to 16, to film a CBC documentary on invasive parasites and collaborate with colleagues at the Benemérita University of Puebla.

Sanchez was invited by the CBC program *Nature of Things* to take part in filming for a science documentary, entitled "Project X". The documentary will be comprised of several episodes and one of them will examine the topic of invasive parasites, an area of expertise for Sanchez. Puebla was selected as a location because of its similarities with Honduras, the country where Sanchez has done most of her research on parasites.

Episode director David New, program host Jennifer Gardy and their production crew, accompanied by Sanchez and Duarte, filmed footage at endemic communities, local hospitals

and research laboratories. The footage illustrated the significance of the invasive tapeworm parasite *Taenia solium* and its affects on humans and swine. This important global health issue is an ongoing area of research for Sanchez. The documentary is scheduled to air on CBC in January 2008.

While in Mexico, Sanchez and Duarte were also guests at the Benemérita University of Puebla where they presented preliminary results of the collaborative study they conducted over the summer months, "Latent Tuberculosis in Mexican Migrant Workers in the Niagara Region".

Duarte also delivered an invited talk for microbiology students at the University, entitled "Diagnostic Application of the Interferon-gamma Release Assay QuantiFERON for latent Tuberculosis".

## Films explore faith, sexual diversity

The Que(e)rying Religion film festival, which explores the relationship between different faith traditions and sexual diversity, will take place on campus Friday, Nov. 23 and Saturday, Nov. 24.

"We hope this film festival will help open a conversation about religion and sexuality," said Chaplain George Addison, Campus Ministries. "Too often we have been constrained by ancient taboos to even talk openly about sexual orientation. The result has been exclusion and much pain. Each of these films offers an opportunity for a different outcome and deeper understanding."

On Nov. 23 at 7 p.m., the independent film *The Business of Fancydancing* (Native American) will kick off the festival with a screening in Academic South (STH) 204 following

an hour-long reception.

On Nov. 24, the following films will be shown, also in STH 204:

- *Chutney Popcorn*, 10 a.m., Hindu
- *When Night is Falling*, 1 p.m., Christian
- *Trembling Before G-D*, 3 p.m., Jewish

A panel discussion will follow each screening. Light refreshments will be provided from 12 noon to 1 p.m. on Nov. 24.

The event is co-organized by Brock Ecumenical Chaplaincy, Brock Pride and the Office for Human Rights and Equity Services, and several off-campus organizations, including OUTniagara and TransParent Canada.

Other sponsoring groups are OPIRG and the Tecumseh Centre for

## International program celebrates culture, friendship and learning

Three Brock students were among more than 100 students from around the world who participated in an International Summer Program (ISP) in China hosted by one of Brock's Chinese partner institutions, Wuhan University.

Troy Woodworth, a fourth-year undergraduate student majoring in Tourism and Environment, Christina Skorobohacz, a graduate student and teaching assistant in the Faculty of Education, and Ray Borland, a graduate student specializing in Chinese Philosophy, all took part in either a two- or four-week summer program experience at Wuhan this past summer.

Sponsored by Wuhan, the participation of these three students was co-ordinated through the Brock International Office. The program aims to promote the existing inter-institutional exchange and collaboration between Brock and Wuhan, as well benefit the many student participants from Wuhan's partner institutions all over the world.

Borland applied to take part in the summer program for several reasons.

"Although I am studying Chinese Philosophy at Brock, the opportunity to travel to China will give me additional cultural information and a truer sense of the country today," he said. "I have considered the possibility of doing future philosophical and language study there."

The Wuhan program included daily lectures on topics such as ancient and modern Chinese history, the Chinese economy and development, Chinese law and the legal system, the Chinese educational system, and language and cultural classes and tours.

"I will always remember the professor who shared his life story, describing the impact of the Cultural Revolution on his family," says Skorobohacz. "Another lasting memory will forever be of the cultural mosaic we formed in our program - spirited international students from all over the world, alongside Chinese students and volunteers who made us feel so welcome and comfortable. We came together for a common purpose: to unite in friendship, learn from each other and immerse ourselves in a rich and extraordinary culture."

Next week is International Education Week at Brock. Along with a presentation by the Wuhan ISP student participants at 12 noon on Thursday, Nov. 15, other events will be offered, including an Indian cooking demonstration and a workshop on "The Art of Crossing Cultures".

All are welcome and invited to join in any or all of the activities throughout the week.

For more information, visit: [www.brocku.ca/brockinternational](http://www.brocku.ca/brockinternational)

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## Reappointment/ appointment of Dean of Applied Health Sciences

Dr. John Corlett is in the final year of his current appointment as Dean of the Faculty of Applied Health Sciences (FAHS) and has indicated that he wishes to stand for reappointment for another term (normally five years), effective July 1, 2008.

The Advisory Committee is requesting feedback from Brock University faculty, staff and students, regarding Dean Corlett's performance, during his first term as Dean. Members of the Brock Community are invited to make submissions in writing to the **Office of the Provost and Vice-President, Academic, c/o Ms. Lise Laroche**, by Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2007. No anonymous submissions will be accepted. All submissions will be edited to protect the writer's anonymity before they are submitted to the Advisory Committee for review. (For terms of Reference for the Appointment/Reappointment of the Dean, please refer to the Faculty Handbook (located on the Brock website), under article 6.3.

The FAHS has grown significantly during the past five years. The number of new faculty, as well as the expansion of its undergraduate and graduate programs, have created an exciting and increasingly complex environment. Challenges ahead include space and equipment needs required to support expanding program enrolment and innovative research programs that new faculty bring to the University.

In the next five years the Dean will be required to address space and equipment challenges as well as continue to recruit and retain faculty, to support the needs of students, the advancement of research and the ongoing strategic directions of the Faculty and the University. A leadership role in faculty advancement and fundraising will be a crucial role for the Dean to undertake.

The deliberations of the Advisory Committee are strictly confidential and only the Chair is authorized to answer questions about the Committee's proceedings. Please contact Lise Laroche, ext. 4121, if you have any questions or concerns regarding confidentiality or any other matter involving the Committee.

## Library Workshops for Faculty

Interested in learning more about Library resources and services? Attend one of the Workshops for Faculty. These hands-on, practical sessions are held on Wednesday mornings from 10 a.m. to approximately 11:30 a.m. Contact Laurie Morrison at [lmorrison@brocku.ca](mailto:lmorrison@brocku.ca) for more information.

Register at:  
[www.library.brocku.ca/faculty\\_workshops/](http://www.library.brocku.ca/faculty_workshops/)

**Impact Factors and Journal Citation Reports**  
**Wednesday, Nov. 14, 10 a.m.**

Are you choosing a vessel for

## Faculty and staff campaign for the Learning Commons



Faculty and staff campaign co-chairs Greg Finn and Karen McAllister-Kenny are joined by James O'Brien and Kim Meade as they draw the winner in the Campus Campaign participation draw in the Learning Commons construction zone. Absent is co-chair Kithio Mwanzia. Sandra Grusso, Office of International Recruitment, was the winner.

Faculty and staff who made donations during the Learning Commons campaign that began last month were eligible for the campaign draw, which was held on Oct. 26. The campaign had strong support from the University's senior administration as well as the Board of Trustees. Parents and alumni also supported the fundraising efforts for the new Learning Commons. Many faculty and staff demonstrated confidence and pride in

Brock by supporting the University through the campus campaign. The Office of Development and Donor Relations will keep up the momentum of the campus community by encouraging the external community to participate in this exciting new project. Faculty and staff may still contribute by contacting the Office of Development and Donor Relations at ext. 4190.



The 552nd meeting of the Brock University Senate was held on Oct. 17, 2007. During the meeting, Senate:

- approved the following amendment to Faculty Handbook III: 6.4B - General Degree Requirements:  
"A BA with Major, a BSc with Major, a BPhEd with Major, a BRLS with Major, a BSM with Major, a BKin or a BBA degree will be awarded upon the successful completion of 20 credits with a minimum major average of 60 per cent and a cumulative average of 60 per cent. At least 12 of the 20 credits must be at the 2(alpha)00-level or above, at least six of these must be at the 2(alpha)90-level or above, and at least 1.5 to 3.0 of these must be at the 3(alpha)90-level or above as specified by individual department and program requirements."
- referred the following motion to the Committee of Academic Deans for further consideration:  
"That Senate approve that the designation of any new context course (whether a humanities context course, a science context course, or a social science context course) be first approved by the dean of the related faculty (thus the Dean of Humanities for any new humanities context course, the Dean of Mathematics and Science for any science context course, or the Dean of Social Sciences for any social sciences context course)."
- approved that a time-limited discussion be held at the next meeting of Senate to elicit advice with respect to what, if any, policy items the Teaching and Learning Policy Committee should pursue and then present to Senate from the Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technology's *Recommendations for Best Practice in Evaluation of Teaching*.

Full details of Senate meetings are available at: [www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate](http://www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate)

publication? Do you want to know how often a particular journal is cited compared to other journals in the field or which are the "hottest journals"? In this hands-on session geared towards all disciplines, learn how ISI's Journal Citation Reports, Cited Reference searches, and Google Scholar can provide you with some very useful information for grants and publishing.

Location: e-classroom (TH 253)  
Instructors: Marcie Jacklin,  
Jennifer Thiessen

**ARTstor**  
**Wednesday, Nov. 21, 10 a.m.**

ARTstor is a repository for more than 500,000 digital images, including photographs, paintings, architecture, and sculpture and more. Come to this session to learn how to use images with lectures or enhance presentations.

Location: e-classroom (TH 253)  
Instructors: Laurie Morrison,  
Keri Cronin

**Government e- Documents**  
**Wednesday, Nov. 28, 10 a.m.**

This workshop will provide an overview of how to access Canadian federal and Ontario provincial electronic documents. Areas to be covered include parliamentary, departmental and justice-related web resources. Come and improve your skills in using digital government documents!

Location: e-classroom (TH 253)  
Instructor: Kevin Manuel

**Special Collections**  
**Wednesday, Dec. 5, 10 a.m.**

Looking for primary records or rare books for your research? Discover strategies and databases that can help

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Aboriginal Education.

Funding for this event was received from the Department of Sociology; the Office of Associate Vice-President, Student Services; the Department of Communications, Popular Culture and Film; the master's program of Social Justice and Equity Studies; the Faculty of Humanities; Campus Ministries; the St. Catharines chapter of PFLAG Canada; TransParent Canada, and OUTniagara.

## Nominations for Honorary Degrees

Nominations for Honorary Degrees may be submitted by any member of the University community or the public on an ongoing basis throughout the year.

Nomination forms and guidelines are available at:  
[www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate](http://www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate) or by contacting the Office of the University Secretariat at ext. 3334 or 4307.

The Senate Governance Committee reviews, in confidence, all nominations received and forwards its recommendations to Senate for approval. Due to confidentiality, Senate does not report on its deliberations. Nominees will remain eligible for up to three years.

In order to ensure that nominations are considered for the June 2008 Convocation, nomination forms must be submitted to the University Secretariat, ST1107, by Friday, Jan. 4, 2008.

Honorary Degrees are normally awarded at both Spring and Fall Convocations.

## Nominations for the Board of Trustees

The Governance/Nominating Committee of the Board of Trustees invites suggestions from the Brock community of names of individuals for consideration to serve as lay (community) members on the Board of Trustees. The Governance/Nominating Committee meets throughout the year to discuss Board membership and will accept nominations at any time. All nominations will remain confidential.

The Board of Trustees currently comprises 21 lay members, three faculty members, three staff members, three students, and the Chancellor and the President and Vice-Chancellor, ex officio.

Lay members of the Board are expected to have the leadership qualities required to effectively oversee the activities of a multimillion-dollar educational institution. Suggestions for lay members received by the Governance/Nominating Committee will be considered in light of the desired mix of skills, knowledge, geographic location, constituency representation and gender.

To submit a nomination, please complete the Board Membership Nomination Form located at: [www.brocku.ca/secretariat/board](http://www.brocku.ca/secretariat/board)

you find these unique resources and learn what materials are available at Brock University. (Coffee will not be served at this session).

Location: Special Collections, 10th floor (Library)

Instructor: David Sharron, Head of Special Collections and Archives

**Search Alerts and Journal Alerts**  
**Wednesday, Dec. 12, 10 a.m.**

Do your research while you sleep! Keep up with journal articles in your research area by having your favourite searches and table of contents of journals sent to your inbox or feed reader.

Location: e-classroom (TH 253)  
Instructors: Justine Cotton,  
Jennifer Thiessen

## Brock Briefs

### United Way campaign underway

The third annual Souper Star Lunch will be held on Monday, Nov. 12 at 12 noon in Pond Inlet. Tickets are available at the Centre for the Arts Box Office for \$7.

*Brock's Table* cookbooks are also on sale at the Welcome Centre in the tower lobby for \$10 each. All proceeds from the sale of this cookbook and the lunch will be donated to Brock's United Way Campaign.

### New CCOVI Communications Officer appointed

Isabelle Lesschaeve, Director of the Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute at Brock University, is pleased to announce the appointment of James Cooper to the new role of CCOVI Communications Officer.

Cooper is coming back 'home' to CCOVI after graduating from Brock's Oenology and Viticulture program in 2001. Since then he has worked in the wine industry, completed graduate studies in Science Communication at Laurentian University and interned with the Discovery Channel as a science news writer. Cooper is looking forward to working with the CCOVI team to advance the Institute's communications at local, national and global levels. Cooper can be reached at ext. 5222; or e-mail: james.cooper@brocku.ca

### Thanks from Al Ross

Thanks to the many friends at Brock who offered their support and condolences during our recent time of sorrow.

Your caring and kindness has been a true source of strength for us and is very much appreciated.

- Al Ross and family

### MA thesis defence

Applied Health Sciences student Milaina Lagzdins will defend her thesis entitled "The Coach-Athlete Relationship in University Female Team Sports: Perceptions of Moral Agency and Ethical Considerations" on Monday, Nov. 19 at 9 a.m. in WH 147. Supervisor: Danny Rosenberg; External Examiner: Sheryle Dixon, Alma College; Committee Members: Anna Lathrop; Cathy van Ingen; Chair: Diane Mack. All are welcome.

### Child and Youth Studies careers night

The Department of Child and Youth Studies (CHYS) will hold a careers night on Monday, Nov. 12 from 6 to 8 p.m. in AS 201. Plan to come out and listen to former CHYS graduates talk about their career experiences. This is a fun and helpful event that all CHYS students should attend.

### Rotary Club recognizes David S. Howes

The Rotary Club of St. Catharines has recognized Chair of Brock University's Board of Trustees, David S. Howes, with a Paul Harris Fellowship award for contributions that exemplify the humanitarian and educational objectives of the Rotary Foundation.

The Paul Harris Fellowship acknowledges individuals who demonstrate a shared purpose with objectives and mission of the Rotary Foundation. The award recognizes Howes in appreciation of tangible and significant assistance given for the furtherance of better understanding and friendly relations at an international level.

## Mediatalk

### People in the news

Lewis Soroka, Professor of Economics, was interviewed for a story about the rising Canadian dollar, "Consumers benefit, industry dreads." The article was printed in the Sept. 28 issues of the *Port Colborne Leader* and *Town Crier Niagara*.

Soroka was also interviewed by Business Niagara for an article about the state of the Niagara economy, entitled "Making the grade? Niagara's economic report card," which appears in the magazine's October/November issue.

Dan Malleck, Assistant Professor of Community Health Sciences, was interviewed by the *Welland Tribune* for a Sept. 29 story about the privatization of health care, "Health Care Solutions." The article was part of the Tribune's Ontario Decision 2007 coverage.

Charles Smith, lecturer in the Department of Political Science, was interviewed for a story about the Ontario electoral reform referendum that took place on Oct. 10, "One ballot, two votes." The article was printed in the Oct. 5 issues of *Niagara This Week* and the *Port Colborne Leader*.

Mark Julien, Assistant Professor of Organizational Behaviour, Human Resources, Entrepreneurship and Ethics, was interviewed by CanWest news for a story about people in the service sector becoming increasingly stressed out by customers. In the article, Julien notes, "This is a microcosm of a larger problem in society. The norms around civility have declined in all facets of Canadian life." The article was published in the following Canadian newspapers: *Nanaimo Daily News* (Oct. 6, "Bad day? Yell at the waitress"); *Halifax Daily News* (Oct. 6, "Server abuse all the rage"); *Vancouver Province* (Oct. 7, "Would you like some rage with that?"); *Ottawa Citizen* (Oct. 7, "The customer is always angry"); *Victoria Times-Colonist* (Oct. 7, "Service employees say abuse is all the rage"); *Calgary Herald* (Oct. 7, "Service without a smile"); *Montreal Gazette* (Oct. 9, "Server abuse all the rage"); and *Edmonton Journal* (Oct. 10, "When the customer is definitely not always right").

Barry Grant, Professor of Communications, Popular Culture and Film, was interviewed by the *Ottawa Citizen* for a Sept. 29 story about the popularity of the Western genre in film during times of war, entitled "Tough times, so the West gets won... again." The article was reprinted in the *Victoria Times-Colonist* (Oct. 9 "Wild west a more ambivalent place today") and *Vancouver Sun* (Oct. 11, "In a grey world, the appeal of Westerns endures").

Grant was also interviewed for a story about the audience's experience to horror films, which was published in the *Vancouver Province* (Oct. 17, "The horrible pleasures") and *Windsor Star* (Oct. 10, "Fraidy cats' no more frightened than horror fans").

Derek Foster, Assistant Professor of Communications, Popular Culture and Film, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an Oct. 9 story about the popularity of The Simpsons and the appeal of Homer Simpson, "Flawed, but noble." In the article, Foster notes, "They use humour to expose the ridiculousness of everyday life."

The article was published in the following newspapers across Canada:

*Welland Tribune* (Oct. 11 "Life Lessons from Homer Simpson"); *The Sault Star* (Oct. 12, "Homer Simpson teaches life lessons"); *Fredericton Daily Gleaner* (Oct. 12, "Homer's odyssey peruses meaning of life, beer"); *Prince George Citizen* (Oct. 12, "Doh!"); *Halifax Chronicle Herald* (Oct. 13, "We can all relate to homer"); *Sudbury Star* (Oct. 13, "The Wisdom of Homer"); *Corner Brook Western Star* (Oct. 13, "Homer Simpson: He has life lessons to teach us, says professor"); *Charlottetown Guardian* (Oct. 19, "Lessons learned"); *Kamloops Daily News* (Oct. 13, "The world according to Homer"); and *North Bay Nugget* (Oct. 20, "Favourite doofus offers lessons in life").

Tim Heinmiller, Assistant Professor of Political Science, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an Oct. 9 story about the Ontario electoral reform referendum that took place on Oct. 10, "Spreading the word about the other vote."

Heinmiller was also interviewed by the local press for post-election news stories about the results of the referendum: *Niagara Falls Review* (Oct. 12, "Electoral reform 'failed spectacularly'"); *St. Catharines Standard* (Oct. 12, "Green party candidate vows to continue referendum fight") and the election results in *Niagara: Niagara This Week* and *Town Crier Niagara* (Oct. 19, "Voters across region elected to stay the course").

David Siegel, Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an Oct. 12 post-election story about what the election results mean for Niagara, "Niagara in 'good position' after vote."

Siegel was also interviewed by the *Standard* for an Oct. 17 story about the federal throne speech, "Speech could be election campaign blueprint: prof."

Siegel was also interviewed by the *Fort Erie Times* for an Oct. 19 story about municipal politics and conflict-of-interest guidelines, "New job may clash with council duties."

Assistant Professors of Pre-Service Education, Douglas Karrow and Xavier Fazio co-authored an Oct. 15 *Hamilton Spectator* story in response to a recent announcement by the federal Environment Ministry to reduce the Ecological Monitoring and Assessment Network's operating budget by 80 per cent, "Ecological monitoring cuts hurt us all."

Jane Leavitt, Assistant Professor of Dramatic Arts, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an Oct. 16 story about the Turn Around Project (TAP), an artistic outreach that exposes Brock students to another culture. In the article, entitled "Students encourage Jamaican kids to explore their creativity", Leavitt notes that, "TAP will soon be a non-profit charitable organization, with planned annual trips to various countries."

Professors of Community Health Sciences, John Hay and Debbie O'Leary, were interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a story about Brock's Bod Pod — one of six devices in Canada which measures a subject's body composition by tabulating displaced air within an oval-shaped container. The Oct. 19 article was entitled "Mork from Ork-like spacecraft actually high-tech science tool."

Lynn Rempel, Chair of the Department of Nursing, was interviewed by *Niagara This Week* for a story about the Department receiving the maximum seven-year accreditation for its nursing programs from the Canadian Association

of Schools of Nursing. The Oct. 19 article was entitled "Brock's nursing program receives high-profile accreditation."

Sheila Young, Director of Brock International, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for an Oct. 20 story — "Brock, Buffalo schools to share students, ideas" — about Brock's new exchange partnership with the University of Buffalo that calls for a variety of co-operative research and educational initiatives.

Mike Pihura, part-time faculty member of the Department of Applied Linguistics, was interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for an Oct. 22 story, entitled "Fans, musicians of loud music 'plugging' in." The article about the Canadian Academy of Audiology's 10th annual conference, which recently took place in Niagara Falls, was also reprinted in the Oct. 22 issue of the *St. Catharines Standard*, "Audiology conference plugs use of hearing protection."

Voula Marinos, criminologist from the Department of Child and Youth Studies, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for story about the Conservative government's crime bill now before Parliament, which calls for tougher mandatory sentences, changes to bail rules and stiffer penalties for repeat offenders. The Oct. 23 article was entitled "Brock prof calls crime bill ineffective."

Lucas Hodgson, Advancement Services Assistant in the Office of Development and Donor Relations and coach of the Brock women's volleyball team, was recently featured in numerous local media outlets for his involvement with the launch of the Regional Niagara Road Safety Committee's 15-month campaign Think and Drive at St. Paul High School in Niagara Falls, which targets drivers who live and work in Niagara.

Articles were published in the following local newspapers: *Niagara Falls Review* (Oct. 17, "Community groups fight dangerous driving"); *St. Catharines Standard* (Oct. 17, "Think and Drive program launched"); *Port Colborne Leader* (Oct. 19, "Students learn the importance of Think and Drive"); *Niagara This Week* (Oct. 19 "Carnage on Niagara roads target of Think and Drive"); *Town Crier Niagara* (Oct. 19, "Think before you drive"); and *Niagara News* (Oct. 24, "Think and Drive campaign launches").

President Jack Lightstone was interviewed by the *Ottawa Citizen* for an Oct. 24 story about the Council of Ontario Universities' 20-member expert panel, chaired by Lightstone, that was appointed to study ways to improve emergency preparedness. In the article, "Ontario panel to study ways to boost security, response," Lightstone notes "If we can come up with some suggestions about what might be most effective at the most reasonable cost, then we would be prepared to ask government to help us with a special grant to upgrade security systems on our campuses." The article was also published in the *Windsor Star* (Oct. 24, "Universities form safety panel").

Stefan Brudzynski, Professor of Psychology, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a story about his research on the brain mechanisms of vocalization in rodents. In the Oct. 27 *Niagara Closeup* feature article, entitled "Rat repartee," Brudzynski notes "It's this kind of basic research that leads to other kinds of answers. Virtually all of the important scientific breakthroughs don't come from targeted research. They come from a basic discovery."

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For sale: 1995 Roadtrek Versatile, Dodge 3500 camper van, 155,000 kms, air conditioning, cruise control, microwave, fridge (runs off either electric/propane/12v), stove, sink, furnace, hot water tank, shower, toilet, double bed at back converts to dinette, awning, lots of storage, well-maintained. Drives and looks great. \$24,500 with safety and e-test. Call Cathie at 905-871-1265 evenings after 5:30 or weekends.

For sale: Four Michelin X-Ice snow tires, size 205 70 R15, with approximately 60 per cent tread remaining. Best offer. Call 905-682-6576 for more information.

For sale: Large collection of vinyl records, mainly classical music: symphonies, operas, concerti, etc., many of very high quality. Make an offer. Please call 905-682-2347.



## Faculty and Staff

### COMMUNICATIONS, POPULAR CULTURE AND FILM

**Derek Foster** and **Sarah Matheson** presented papers at the Narrating the Nation: Television Narratives and National Identities Conference held in Reus, Spain, held Oct. 4 and 5. Foster's paper was entitled "Canada's National Public Broadcaster and the Controversy over Reality TV" and Matheson presented "Television, Citizenship and the Situation Comedy in Canada: Cultural Diversity and 'Little Mosque on the Prairie'".

### COMMUNITY HEALTH SCIENCES

**Jian Liu** was invited to give a keynote presentation entitled "Cardiovascular risk factors and anthropometric measurements of adolescents body composition," at the third annual Micronesian Medical Symposium held at Hyatt Regency Guam, U.S., from Oct. 19 to 21.

### EARTH SCIENCES

**Martin Head** was recently elected as a full member of the Stratigraphy and Chronology Commission of the International Union for Quaternary Research.

### ECONOMICS

**Diane Dupont** recently gave the following presentations:

- "Canadian water valuation and demand modelling: state of the art and future directions" with co-author, **Steven Renzetti** at the Mathematical Modelling of Water Resource Allocation Strategies at the Banff International Research Station, Banff, Alta., from Sept. 8 to 9.
- "Choice Set Awareness and Ordering Effects in Choice Experiments" at the annual Canadian Resource and Environmental Economics association meetings, held in Ottawa, Ont., from Oct. 12 to 14.
- an invited address to the National Academy of Science, Institute of Medicine's workshop entitled "Global Environmental Health: Research Gaps and Barriers for Providing Sustainable Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Services," in Washington, D.C. on Oct. 18. The title of her presentation was "Drinking Water Valuation: Challenges, Approaches, and Opportunities".

**Felice Martinello** presented a paper entitled "Tracking Student Transitions in Post-Secondary Education" at the Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation, Measuring the Effectiveness of Student Aid (MESA) conference "All in the Family? Evidence from the YITS on PSE Access and Persistence" held Oct. 19 in Montreal.

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

**James Allard** presented "Communicable Dis-Ease: Wordsworth's 'Discharged Soldier'" at the annual Canadian Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies Conference, held in Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 17 to 20.

**Barbara K. Seeber** presented "Francis Coventry's *The History of Pompey the Little: A dog's life*" at the Annual Conference of the Canadian Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies held in Winnipeg, Oct. 17 to 20.

### LABOUR STUDIES

**Larry Savage** presented a paper entitled "Organized Labour and Local Politics," at the New Voices in Labour Studies conference organized by McMaster University's Labour Studies Program, in Hamilton, Ont., held Oct. 19 and 20.

### MATHEMATICS

**H. E. Bell** attended the meeting of the Mathematical Association of America Seaway Section at Monroe Community College, Rochester, N.Y., held Oct. 19 and 20. He gave a talk entitled "Polynomial endomorphisms of rings".

### MODERN LANGUAGES, LITERATURES AND CULTURES

Professor Emeritus **Leonard Rosmarin** was honoured by the Alliance Française de Toronto with a book launch on Oct. 23. He presented his translation of *Les Mers Rouges/The Red Seas*, a play by the great Franco-Jewish writer, Liliane Atlan. Scenes from the play were then performed by the same actors who had participated in the production when it was mounted by Toronto's Fringe Festival in the summer of 2005. This was followed by a book-signing session. A film for television is planned based on his translation.

### PSYCHOLOGY

**Jane Dywan** and **Sid Segalowitz** recently attended the 47th annual meeting of the Society for Psychophysiological Research in Savannah, Ga., from Oct 17 to 21, and made several presentations with their students and colleagues:

- Capuana, L., Tays, W. J., Mathewson, K., **Segalowitz, S. J.**, and **Dywan, J.** "Respiratory Sinus Arrhythmia (RSA) and the N450 in Younger and Older Adults."
- Mathewson, K. J., **Dywan, J.**, Tays, W. J., Snyder, P. J. and **Segalowitz, S. J.** "Heart Rate Variability and Maze-Learning Performance in Older and Younger Adults."
- Munro, G. E. S., **Dywan, J.** and **Segalowitz, S. J.** "Subclinical Psychopathy (SRP-III) and ERP Responses to a Visual Oddball Task."
- Tays, W. J., **Dywan, J.**, Capuana, L., and **Segalowitz, S. J.** "General Proactive Interference and the N450 Response."
- Zheng, X., and **Segalowitz, S. J.** "A High-Density ERP Study on Word Frequency and Neighborhood: Lexical Status Effects in the P100."
- Gavin, W. J., **Segalowitz, S. J.** and **Davies, P. L.** "ERP Measures of Efficiency During Error Processing in Children."
- **Segalowitz, S. J.** and **Dipoce, M.** "Eliciting Early VEP Components: A Comparison of Paradigms."

### RECREATION AND LEISURE STUDIES

**Sanghee Chun** presented two papers at the 2007 SPRE Leisure Research Symposium, held in Indianapolis, Ind., from Sept. 26 to 29. The abstracts were published as follows:

- **Chun, S.**, and **Lee, Y.** (2007). "I'm actually becoming better": Experience of growth through meaningful engagement in leisure." Abstracts from the Proceedings of the 2007 SPRE Leisure Research Symposium, pp. 32-24.
- **Chun, S.**, and **Lee, Y.** (2007). "Take the good out of the bad": The experience of posttraumatic growth for people with spinal cord injury." Abstracts from the Proceedings of the 2007 SPRE Leisure Research Symposium, pp. 171-175.

### VISUAL ARTS

**Duncan MacDonald** recently participated in the following events:

- exhibited at pm gallery in Intramural League, an exhibition curated by St. Catharines' own Kyle Bishop. The exhibition ran from Sept. 6 to Oct. 6.
- travelled to Paris, France to exhibit a new collaborative artwork with Emmanuelle Raynaut at Musée Cluny, Musée Nationale du Moyen Age. The performance/installation, entitled "J'étais comme une pierre, j'étais comme un arbre," was presented in conjunction with Nuit Blanche, an all-night art event throughout the entire city of Paris on Oct. 6.
- From Oct. 25 to 29, exhibited new work at the Toronto International Art Fair. For more information, please see: [www.pmgallery.ca](http://www.pmgallery.ca)

**Lorene Bourgeois** has a solo exhibition entitled "le linge, le geste, l'ardoise" currently running at the Galerie du Nouvel Ontario (GNO) in Sudbury, Ont. The exhibition, a series of paintings on slate and drawings on paper exploring the representation of "clothing" and the relationship of "cloth" to the human body, runs until Thursday, Nov. 22.

**Donna Szoke** recently had an exhibition entitled "The Lotus Eaters: New Vancouver Video Art" run at The Western Front in Vancouver, B.C. The exhibit was curated by Alissa Firth-England.

**Arnold McBay** and **Susan Wintrop** have an exhibit entitled "Intro spective" on display until Nov. 30 at the Jordan Art Gallery in Jordan, Ont.

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**Conley, Tim.** (2007). "Review of Annotations to *Finnegans Wake* (3rd ed.), by Roland McHugh." *James Joyce Quarterly*, 44.2, pp. 363-65.

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**Rosmarin, Leonard.** (2007). *The Red Seas*, translation of *Les Mers Rouges* by Liliane Atlan. Toronto: Les Éditions du GREF. 297 pp.

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## Events

### Welland/Pelham speaker series

The Welland/Pelham Chamber of Commerce, Brock University, and Niagara College will present a speaker series entitled "Mayor Dave's 'Take time and think about different issues.'" The first session will be held on Friday, Nov. 23 at the Old Town Hall, 491 Canboro Rd. (at Centre Street), in Ridgeville from 7 to 9 p.m. Guest speaker is **John Middleton**, Associate Professor, Department of Tourism and Environment, Brock University, who will speak on "Sustainable Development, and Biodiversity Conservation." To reserve your space for this informative evening of lively discussion, please reply to: The Welland/Pelham Chamber of Commerce, 905-732-7515, or e-mail: [chamber@iaw.on.ca](mailto:chamber@iaw.on.ca) This event is free thanks to the generosity of Venture Niagara.

**Brock University Film Society (BUFS):** BUFS is pleased to announce the remaining films in the Fall season. On Nov. 11, we are proud to present Paul Haggis' *In the Valley of Elah*, starring Tommy Lee Jones and Charlize Theron, in which a Vietnam veteran searches for his son, just returned from a tour in Iraq. On Nov. 18, Julie Oelpe and Adam Goldberg star in *2 Days in Paris*, a comedy of manners directed by Delyp. The Department of Tourism and Environment joins BUFS to present the Nov. 25 film, Leonardo DiCaprio's environmental documentary, *The 11th Hour*. The season closes on Dec. 2 with a special pre-release screening of this year's closing gala at the Toronto International Film Festival, *Emotional Arithmetic*. Based on Matt Cohen's novel, this film tells the story of three survivors of a Nazi transit camp who are reunited late in life. Max von Sydow, Susan Sarandon, Christopher Plummer, Gabriel Byrne, and Roy Dupuis star in this powerful Canadian film directed by Paolo Barzman. BUFS screens Sunday nights in the David S. Howes Theatre. Tickets are available in advance or at the door. Ticket prices are \$6 for members and students, \$8 for non-members, and \$5 for high school students, thanks to the eyeGO to the Arts program. For more information, please contact Amanda Bishop at ext. 3553 or [amanda.bishop@brocku.ca](mailto:amanda.bishop@brocku.ca)

**Centre for the Arts:** The 2007-08 Professional Entertainment Season is now underway. All performances start at 7:30 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise stated. Tickets are on sale at [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca) or by calling ext. 3257.

**November 2007:** Blackie and the Rodeo Kings with Luke Doucet, Nov. 21; *International Guitar Night*, Nov. 28; The Standard Orchestral Ensemble: *Shower the People: The Music of James Taylor* featuring the Niagara Symphony and the Jeans 'n Classics Band, Nov. 29.

**December 2007:** Stephan Moccio and Justin Hines, Dec. 1; John McDermott, Dec. 2, 2:30 p.m.; Jose Feliciano - *One Night Only!*, Dec. 6; Alpha YaYa Diallo, Dec. 7; The Irish Rovers - *Wasn't That a Christmas Party!?* Dec. 9 at 7:30 p.m. (New Time) and Dec. 10 at 7:30 p.m.; *Celebrate Christmas* with The Nylons, Dec. 12; Classic Albums Live: *The Beatles - Abbey Road*, Dec. 13.

### SCHOOL OF FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS (SFPA)

#### DRAMATIC ARTS

**Marat/Sade** (*The Persecution and Assassination of Jean-Paul Marat as Performed by the Inmates of the Asylum of Charenton under the Direction of the Marquis de Sade*) by Peter Weiss, directed by Virginia Reh, and designed by David Vivian. November 15, 16, 17, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. Held at the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre, call the Centre for the Arts Box Office, 905-688-5550, ext. 3257 for tickets. Adults \$12/students \$9.

#### MUSIC

Music@Noon presents a student recital featuring Instrumental students on Tuesday, Nov. 13, Concordia Seminary Chapel; and Voice students on Tuesday, Nov. 20, in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Both recitals run from 12 noon to 12:50 p.m. Treat yourself to a midday "music break". Admission is free.

Choral Series presents *A New Day: Songs of Peace* featuring **The Strata Choir** (former semifinalists in CBC choral competitions) on Saturday, Nov. 10, 7:30 p.m., Concordia Seminary Chapel. Tickets available by calling ext. 3257 or at the door.

#### VISUAL ARTS

Guest Artists Series: **Marla Hlady: Playing Piano**

Artist Talk: Thursday, Nov. 15, at 7 p.m. at Rodman Hall Arts Centre, 109 St. Paul Crescent, St. Catharines. Exhibit runs Sunday, Nov. 11 to Sunday, Dec. 30. Presented in collaboration with Rodman Hall Arts Centre, YYZ Artists Outlet and Ratdrifting Records. This event is free and open to the community.

# BrockNews

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A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## Can icewine be too sweet for its own good?

It may be hard to believe, but icewine juice can be too sweet for its own good, says a new study by a researcher at the Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute.

Debra Inglis, Associate Professor of Biological Sciences and lead author of the study, stressed the value of the research for Canada's role as the global leader in icewine production. "It's an important step toward setting icewine quality standards so that we can continue to lead the international market." And, by identifying chemical and sensory markers of the product, the research is aimed at protecting the authenticity of Canadian icewine. "We're starting to define what truly makes Canadian icewine unique," says Inglis.

Inglis and her team used chemical and microbial analyses of icewine fermentations to show that raising the sugar level of icewine juice above 42 °Brix (i.e., 42 per cent sugar by weight in solution) hinders yeast growth, fermentation rate and alcohol production. The researchers also found that yeast produce more acetic acid – the primary source of volatile acidity (VA), a wine fault – as a response to greater stress imposed by super-sweet icewine juice.

In fact, say the scientists, icewine juice in excess of 42 °Brix is so stressful for yeast that they have extreme difficulty producing a minimum of 10 per cent alcohol by volume – the industry standard for icewine. And the researchers advise that, in excess of 52.5 °Brix, icewine juice is theoretically non-fermentable by yeast.

Along with finding ideal conditions for icewine fermentations, Inglis and her team are working to better understand yeast metabolism as it relates to acetic acid production. "Over the past eight years, we have started to unravel the yeast metabolic pathway used to produce acetic acid during icewine fermentation and defined ways to reduce its production," says Inglis. "We are also in the process of screening different yeast strains at the genetic level to identify which ones are best suited for icewine fermentations."

The study and a related one by Inglis appear in the latest issue of the *Journal of Applied Microbiology*. Both studies were funded by the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada.

## Mark your calendar

All faculty and staff are cordially invited to the President's Annual Holiday Celebration and Faculty and Staff Recognition on Tuesday, Dec. 4 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in Pond Inlet.

## Youth University and partners make a difference in the lives of Niagara youth



Participants in the Teen Esteem program check out literature and resources provided during one of the sessions.

This fall Youth University, in conjunction with the Business Education Council, has supported a unique, school-based volunteer program called Teen Esteem. The Teen Esteem program addresses the fact that not all children have role models to learn from, or the encouragement to reach for their dreams. This fall, 41 Brock volunteers from 18 faculties and departments and 110 Niagara children participated in this program.

The Youth University Teen Esteem program was based on four in-school lunch sessions for females in Grades 6 to 8. Each lunch session was co-ordinated by a Brock student, while volunteers associated with Brock University shared their own career

and life choices. The lunch sessions culminated with an education and career event held at Brock University on Nov. 9, where session leaders and other volunteers presented hands-on career-based activities to the participants and answered questions about education and career possibilities.

Youth University will be involved in this project once again this winter but for young boys this time. All males – staff, faculty and students – who are willing to give up an hour of their time to make a difference in the lives of young people are encouraged to contact Youth University at ext. 3120 for more information.

## Two professors awarded \$81,500 from the Canada Foundation for Innovation

The Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) announced today that it has awarded \$81,514 to Brock University to support two projects in the Faculty of Humanities led by Professor Elizabeth Greene, Department of Classics, and Professor Kevin Kee, Department of History.

Professor Greene's project will excavate, record and conserve cultural artifacts from a ship that sank off the coast of Turkey during the Iron Age. This is the first ancient shipwreck in the Mediterranean to be excavated by a Canadian university.

Professor Kee focuses on the creation of simulations and "serious games" to teach Canadian students about Canada's past. His project will bring together history and education researchers, computer scientists, software developers and graphic designers to develop and evaluate new digital media to support best practices

in history education.

"We can say with conviction that Canada has become a place where world-class researchers want to be," says Dr. Eliot Phillipson, President and CEO of the CFI. "This CFI investment will further develop Brock University's global reputation as a place where outstanding research and training is being conducted."

Ian Brindle, Acting Associate Vice-President Research at Brock welcomed the CFI's investment: "This support for the Faculty of Humanities confirms that cutting-edge research is happening at Brock. We are justifiably proud of our faculty members who are breaking into new and exciting research fields."

"This award by the CFI continues the establishment of Brock University as a research leader in the very best tradition of expanding human

## "Two worlds" highlighted in innovative teaching partnership

A ribbon was cut in Sioux Lookout, Ont., on Friday, Nov. 9, to open the Bachelor of Education Program office, marking a significant milestone for First Nations education in the region.

Assisted by representatives from the Northern Nishnawbe Education Council (NNEC), Brock University Vice-President, Academic and Provost Terry Boak, and other partners, two elementary students from Mishkeegogamang First Nation cut the ribbon – opening the program office and officially launching this groundbreaking initiative in educational self-determination.

The official opening, emphasizing the "two-worlds" approach of this innovative program, began with a traditional ceremony and prayers offered by two Elders. The program, which places a strong emphasis on the linguistic and other cultural gifts of the Anishnawbek, is a partnership between the NNEC and Brock University's Faculty of Education and endeavours to reflect both Anishnawbek and mainstream ways of knowing.

Twenty-three new teacher candidates from 24 communities in the Sioux Lookout District began classes on Oct. 22, 2007. Over five years, these students will earn 22 credits, graduating with a Bachelor of Education (BEd) degree from Brock University. The program has been accredited by the Ontario College of Teachers.

The NNEC is incorporated pursuant to the federal laws of Canada and is an Aboriginal secondary and post-secondary education, training and research institution and operates to increase the overall skill levels of students in the Sioux Lookout District. The goal is to provide youth with a successful future including a viable and meaningful role and rightful place in society.

The Tecumseh Centre for Aboriginal Research and Education, located in the Faculty of Education at Brock, was established to encourage a research focus at the University that connects Aboriginal and mainstream scholars, researchers, post-doctoral, graduate and undergraduate students to Aboriginal peoples and communities in a culturally appropriate manner. The centre's vision is to further the understanding of the complex educational, health, socio-economic and socio-cultural realities of Aboriginal peoples, and to create new and innovative educational programming that promotes and encourages the transformation of those same realities.

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## Positive Space Campaign workshops

The Positive Space Campaign Committee is pleased to announce new workshop dates for the Winter 2008 term at the St. Catharines campus:

- Monday, Jan. 14, 2008: 1 to 3 p.m.
- Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2008: 5 to 7 p.m.
- Thursday, Feb. 14, 2008: 10 a.m. to 12 noon
- Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2008: 9 to 11 a.m.
- Friday, March 14, 2008: 12 noon to 2 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 25, 2008: 4 to 6 p.m.

There will be workshops at the Hamilton Campus on the following dates:

- Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2007: 1 to 3 p.m.
- Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2008: 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Workshops are free of charge and are open to all interested Brock community members – faculty, staff and students! Please register in advance as seating is limited. Register by e-mail at [positivespace@brocku.ca](mailto:positivespace@brocku.ca) or see [www.brocku.ca/positivespace](http://www.brocku.ca/positivespace) for more information.



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### Co-op students learn that membership has benefits

On Monday, Oct. 29, the Co-op Programs Office hosted Associations Night in Pond Inlet. The night was dedicated to undergraduate students as part of their ON90 Workshop Series. Various representatives from different Associations, including the Institute of Public Administration of Canada, the Human Resources Association of Canada, Statistical Society of Canada, as well as many others, presented information to students about the benefits of association membership within their institutions. Students listened attentively during their presentations and had opportunity to interact and network with the representatives after their presentations.

## Trick or Can campus and community food drive was a huge success

Human Rights and Equity Services and Brock Diversity wish to thank all members of the Brock community who participated in the Trick or Can campus and community food drive in October. More than 50 students volunteered their time to collect donated food from neighbourhoods in St. Catharines and Thorold on Oct. 31. Donations were also collected on campus with the help of OPIRG, the Campus Store and Community Connections. Eighteen bins were filled with food, which surpassed last year's total. On behalf of all who were involved, we want to extend a big thank you to Brock Christian Fellowship, Faculty of Education Student Liaison Council, OPIRG, Stumanity, Community Connections, Brock Campus Store, First Generation Program, and everyone who generously donated food. Without your help, we would not have had such a successful event. We know Community Care of St. Catharines and Thorold and the many families they assist will greatly appreciate this kindness.

## 2008 Santa Claus Parades

Brock University will showcase a version of "A Charlie Brown Christmas" at a number of Santa Claus parades in the Niagara Region this year. All faculty, staff and students are invited to participate in the parades by either being on the float or watching along the parade route. If you are interested in being on the float, please contact Marie Reimer at ext. 3860. Parade dates and times are as follow:

Thorold: Saturday, Nov. 24 at 5 p.m.  
 St. Catharines: Sunday, Nov. 25 at 2:30 pm  
 Grimsby: Saturday, Dec. 1 at 5:15 p.m.  
 Niagara-on-the-Lake: Saturday, Dec. 8 at 11 a.m.  
 Hope to see you there.

## Mediatalk

People in the news

**Carl Baar**, Professor Emeritus of Political Science, was interviewed by Vancouver radio station AM 980 CKNW on Oct. 2, as part of their afternoon show about criminal justice reform issues.

**Martin J. Head**, Professor of Earth Sciences, was interviewed by the science magazine *Nature* for an Oct. 18 feature article, "Atlantic Invaders", about a recent study that had documented the invasion of Pacific phytoplankton into the North Atlantic.

**Brad Clarke**, Off-Campus Housing Services Officer, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Nov. 1 story about the University's Community Connections poster campaign in 30 bus shelters throughout the city, "Mayor pushes community spirit to Brock students." The poster campaign, which aims to help students feel welcome in their new hometown, features St. Catharines Mayor Brian McMullan, Thorold Mayor Henry D'Angela, Order of Canada inductee Lind Crabtree and Brock President Jack Lightstone. In the article, Clarke notes that "This is really an educational initiative designed to help show students the importance and the value of being part of the broader community and encourage them to go out and make a difference."

**Margaret Grove**, University Librarian, James A. Gibson Library, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Nov. 1 update on the construction of the \$4.5-million Learning Commons. In the article, "Big renovations taking shape at Brock University's library," Grove notes that the Learning Commons will reflect, "the changing way in which students learn."

**Lewis Soroka**, Professor of Economics, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Nov. 2 story about the Christmas shopping season, cross-border shopping and the strength of the Canadian dollar. The article, entitled "Retailers dropping prices," was also published in the *Welland Tribune* (Nov. 2, "Area prices coming into line with U.S. prices").

**Michael Manley-Casimir**, Director of the Tecumseh Centre for Aboriginal Education and Research, was interviewed by the *National Post* for a Nov. 3 story about the issue of sexual relationships and romantic liaisons between teachers and students, "Trysts between teachers and students persist." In the article Manley-Casimir, who is an expert in education and law and has co-authored a book, entitled *Teachers in Trouble: An Exploration of the Normative Character of Teaching*, notes that problems occur when teachers forget that the role of the teacher must prevail above all else.

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knowledge," says St. Catharines MP Rick Dykstra.

The CFI announced a total of \$28 million in new funds to support 149 projects at 35 institutions across Canada. The investment was approved by the CFI's Board of Directors following a rigorous merit review process.

A total of \$23.3 was awarded under the Leaders Opportunity Fund, a program designed to provide infrastructure to attract researchers to

**Melodie Schick-Porter**, Director of Clinical Services, Student Health Services, was a guest on AM 610 CKTB's "Niagara at Noon" program on Nov. 5 to speak about the department's 2007 Health Fair which took place at the University.

**Charles Burton**, Professor of Political Science, published a letter, entitled "China's 'soft diplomacy'," in the Nov. 7 issue of the *Globe and Mail*. Burton's work on human rights dialogue with China was also referenced in a letter by Albert Roman published in the Oct. 10 issue of the *Pasadena Star News*. For more information, please visit his webpage at: <http://spartan.ac.brocku.ca/~cburton>

**Rico Natale**, Director of Student Awards and Financial Aid, was interviewed by *Niagara this Week* for a Nov. 7 story about the University's Fall Preview Day 2007, "Potential students check out Brock at annual open house."

**Pierre Lizee**, Professor of Political Science, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Nov. 7 story about the political turmoil in Pakistan, "Local man disturbed by chaos in homeland." In the article, Lizee notes "This is a typical dictator [Pervez Mushraf, Pakistan's President], who believes order can only exist if he imposes it, trying to save his own skin."

Lizee was also interviewed by the *Globe and Mail* for a Nov. 9 story about the changing social, economic and political landscape in Vietnam, "The new Vietnam: open to foreign investors, closed to wartime past."

**Rodger Beatty**, Associate Dean in the Faculty of Education, was interviewed by AM 610 CKTB's "Six o'clock News Hour" program on Nov. 8 about the Sioux Lookout District Bachelor of Education Program. The program, which places a strong emphasis on the linguistic and cultural gifts of the Anishnawbek, is a partnership between the Northern Nishnawbe Education Council and Brock University's Faculty of Education.

**John Hodson**, Research Officer with the Tecumseh Centre for Aboriginal Education and Research, Faculty of Education, was also interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Nov. 8 article about the program, "Brock aims to educate First Nations students."

**Alun Hughes**, Associate Professor of Geography, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for its Nov. 10 "Search Engine" column for the question: "Why is there an 's' at the end of St. Catharines? Is St. Catharines a plural? Was the city named after more than one St. Catharine? Or is it possessive and should there be an apostrophe before the final 's,' as in St. Catharine's?"

Canadian institutions at a time of intense international competition for knowledge workers, as well as to retain the very best of today and tomorrow's leading researchers for Canada. The remaining \$4.6 million was awarded under the Infrastructure Operating Fund, an accompanying program, which assists universities with the incremental operating and maintenance costs associated with new infrastructure projects.

A complete list of the projects awarded, by university, can be found at: [www.innovation.ca](http://www.innovation.ca)

## Brock Briefs

### Fall Preview Day a success

A very large 'thank you' is extended to all students, staff and faculty who contributed to Fall Preview Day on Nov. 4. The event was a tremendous success, with more than 2,400 guests participating in the day.

### The Children's Movement Program - Winter 2008

Does your child like to jump, climb, explore, dance and play games? This Saturday morning program is based on Brock's Movement Education program, incorporating problem-solving and decision-making skills. Educational gymnastics, creative dance and developmental games are used to challenge children to be active and try new skills. University student volunteers are available to assist children with a special need should they require some extra help.

The program runs for eight Saturday mornings beginning Jan. 12, at 9 a.m., 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. The cost is \$51 per child.

Register in person at the Welcome Desk in the Walker Complex, or call ext. 4060.

### Wellness Wednesday

The next Wellness Wednesday lunch series is on Wednesday, Nov. 28 from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Pond Inlet. A presentation will be given by Mary Elsie Wolfe, Grapeview Methodist Church, entitled "Soul Reflections."

Listening to others and visualizing walking in their shoes provides a connection that rewards your soul. Come and share the feeling.

Lunch is beef on a bun, salad, cookies, coffee and tea. Price is \$5 per ticket, available from the Centre for the Arts Box Office, ext. 3257. Donations of food items for Community Care would be appreciated.

### United Way penny drive

The United Way is holding a Penny Drive for the month of November. There is a jug placed at the Welcome Desk in the Tower Lobby, so please bring your pennies and help the United Way.

### Graduate bursary nominations now being accepted

Nominations for the Ralph D. Morris Graduate Bursary are now being accepted. This is an annual award for first- or second-year

graduate students that recognizes commitment and involvement in both university and extracurricular activities that enhance the University's role in the community. Students must be nominated by a member of the University faculty. The deadline for nominations is Friday, Nov. 23. Details and nomination forms are available on the Graduate Students' Association website, [www.brocku.ca/gsa](http://www.brocku.ca/gsa)

### Graduate students welcome

The Graduate Students' Association will hold its November Social today from 5 to 8 p.m. at Alphonse's Trough. All graduate students are invited to get together with friends and enjoy light refreshments, a special "After Hours Menu" and more.

### PhD thesis defence

Curtis Russell, a PhD candidate in the Department of Biological Sciences, will present his thesis defence on Wednesday, Nov. 28 at 11 a.m. in MC H313. The title of his thesis is "Analysis of the Feeding Behaviour of the Mosquito *Culex pipiens* L. (Diptera: Culicidae) in Relation to West Nile Virus." Chair: Jean Richardson; External Examiner: Edward D. Walker, Michigan State University; Supervisor: Fiona Hunter; Committee members: Michael Winter, A. Joffre Mercier.

### MSc thesis defence

Biological Sciences student Nwamaka (Amaka) Iku will present her thesis entitled "Activity of Brainstem Cholinergic Neurons during 22 kHz Ultrasonic Vocalization in Rats," on Thursday, Dec. 6 at 10 a.m. in MC H313. Chair: A. Joffre Mercier; External Examiner: Janet Menard, Queen's University; Supervisor: Stefan Brudzynski; Committee members: Brian Ross, Robert Carlone.

### Brock professors participating in UN discussions

Richard Mitchell and Shannon Moore, from the Department of Child and Youth Studies, have been invited to attend the United Nations in New York next month to participate in various non-governmental organization discussions on the rights of the child. Both faculty members are actively involved with UNICEF and their partners regarding the "World Fit for Children" initiative.

### National champions for the sixth straight time...



The Brock University men's lacrosse team recently captured their sixth straight national championship, the Baggataway Cup, with a 13-10 victory over the Guelph Gryphons at Michael's School College in Toronto.

### Provincial champions for the first time...



The Brock University men's rugby team captured the 2007 Ontario University Athletics (OUA) Championship as they defeated the Queen's Golden Gaels by the score of 22-6 in the Gold Medal game on Nov. 9. This is the first time in school history that Brock has captured the gold.



The "Soup-er Star" Lunch, held Nov. 12, was a great success for Brock's United Way campaign. Remember that today is the second annual Time and Talent Auction which runs from 12 noon to 1 p.m. at Issac's. Visit [www.brocku.ca/unitedway](http://www.brocku.ca/unitedway) for regular updates.

### Nominations for Honorary Degrees

Nominations for Honorary Degrees may be submitted by any member of the University community or the public on an ongoing basis throughout the year.

Nomination forms and guidelines are available at [www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate](http://www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate) or by contacting the Office of the University Secretariat at ext. 3334 or 4307.

The Senate Governance Committee reviews, in confidence, all nominations received and forwards its recommendations to Senate for approval. Due to confidentiality, Senate does not report on its deliberations. Nominees will remain eligible for up to three years.

In order to ensure that nominations are considered for the June 2008 Convocation, nomination forms must be submitted to the University Secretariat, ST1107, by January 4, 2008.

### Nominations for members of the Board of Trustees

The Governance/Nominating Committee of the Board of Trustees invites suggestions from the Brock community of names of individuals for consideration to serve as lay (community) members on the Board of Trustees. The Governance/Nominating Committee meets throughout the year to discuss Board membership and will accept nominations at any time. All nominations will remain confidential.

The Board of Trustees currently comprises 21 lay members, three faculty members, three staff members, three students, and the Chancellor and the President and Vice-Chancellor, ex officio.

Lay members of the Board are expected to have the leadership qualities required to effectively oversee the activities of a multi-million dollar educational institution. Suggestions for lay members received by the Governance/Nominating Committee will be considered in light of the desired mix of skills, knowledge, geographic location, constituency representation and gender.

To submit a nomination, please complete the Board Membership Nomination Form located at: [www.brocku.ca/secretariat/board](http://www.brocku.ca/secretariat/board)

## Classified

For sale: 2000 Ford F150 pickup truck. 6-cyl. 2WD. Manual transmission. Regular cab, full box. 130,000 km. Two owners. \$8,500 or best offer. Call (416) 619-0850 for more information.

Lease takeover: 2006 Chevrolet Malibu for lease - low mileage and payments. This as-new vehicle has less than 14,000 kms. Has 32 months left on a 48-month term and monthly payment inclusive of taxes is \$262.20. Allowed kilometers: 20,000 per year, 80,000 over the life of the lease (48 months). Call 905-682-7838 for more information.

For sale: Four-burner almond electric stovetop unit; Kitchen Aid sink disposal; Two-sink almond acrylic sink Moen tap; Bubblejet printer; JVC VCR; JVC receiver and turntable; Phillips portable turntable. Best offer. Call 905-892-8338 for more information.



## Faculty and Staff

### ACCOUNTING

**Hemantha Herath** was invited to the Robert H. Smith School of Business, University of Maryland, to present a paper titled "Joint Selection of Balanced Scorecard Targets and Weights in a Collaborative Setting" co-authored with Wayne Bremser and Jacob Birnberg, on Nov. 2.

### CLASSICS

**Elizabeth Greene** was invited to speak at a symposium, Tradition and Transition: Maritime Studies in the Wake of the Byzantine Shipwreck at Yassiada, Turkey, held in College Station, Tex., from Nov. 2 to 4, in honor of George F. Bass and Frederick van Doorninck. She delivered a paper titled, "Why does amphora standardization matter? The case of the 6th-century BCE shipwreck at Pabuç Burnu."

### COMMUNICATIONS, POPULAR CULTURE AND FILM

**Derek Foster** presented a paper entitled "The Public Problem of Factual Entertainment and the CBC" at the Association for Canadian Studies Annual Conference "Is Canadian Culture 'popular': Examining the Paradoxes of Canadian Popular Culture", held Oct. 27, in Gatineau, Que.

**Sarah Matheson** presented a paper entitled, "The Cultural Politics of Wife Swap: Taste, Lifestyle Media and the American Family" at the annual Canadian Association of Cultural Studies Conference, held Oct. 25 to 27 in Edmonton, Atla.

### EARTH SCIENCES

**Uwe Brand** recently gave the following presentations at the annual meeting of the Geological Society of America, held in Denver, Col. from Oct. 27 to Nov. 1:

- "Gondwanan superglaciation (Carboniferous) – Glacial II (GSG-II): Integration of strontium, oxygen and carbon isotope seawater records", with co-authors G. Jiang (UNLV), K. Azmy (Memorial Univ.) and D. Buhl (Ruhr Universität). GSA Abstracts, vol. 39, p. 355.
- "Tropical cyclones and aquatic wetlands of the Late Chesterian Battleship Wash Formation (Great Basin, Arrow Canyon, Nevada)", with co-authors G. Jiang (UNLV), and H. W. Pfefferkorn (Univ. Pennsylvania). GSA Abstracts, vol. 39, p.84.

### EDUCATION

At the annual Council of Drama and Dance Educators' (CODE) conference, **Debra McLaughlan** served on an invited panel to discuss "What do we mean by 'character education'?" and also presented a workshop for high school teachers titled "Dr. Wizard's Crystal Ball". The conference was held at Blue Mountain in Collingwood, Ont., from Oct. 26 to 28.

**Peter Vietgen** was invited to deliver a workshop entitled "Connecting to the Ontario Curriculum" to the Education Division of the McMaster Museum of Art in Hamilton, Ont., on Oct. 23. In his talk, Vietgen focused on the exhibition "The First Tourist", a selection of Inuit art from the museum's permanent collection, as well as the Roman Vishniac photography exhibition which will be on view starting January 2008. The Vishniac exhibition, "Children of a Vanished World", is a photo documentation of the lives of children from numerous Eastern European Jewish communities taken during the years 1936-39, just prior to the Holocaust.

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

CHOICE has named **Elizabeth Sauer**, editor of *Milton and the Climates of Reading: Essays by Balachandra Rajan* (University of Toronto Press, 2006) as one of their Outstanding Academic Titles of 2006.

**Adam Dickinson** presented a paper entitled "The Matter of Chance: An Ecocyberpoetics" on Oct. 26 at Nature Matters: Materiality and the More-than-Human in Cultural Studies of the Environment, a conference held in Toronto at York University. He also gave a reading of his poetry on Oct. 27 as part of the conference banquet.

Dickinson was also invited to read from his poetry at Bookfest Windsor 2007, an international literary festival held at the Art Gallery of Windsor from Nov 2 to 4. His reading was supported by the Canada Council for the Arts.

### LABOUR STUDIES

**Larry Savage** was elected President of the St. Catharines and District Labour Council on Nov. 7.

### NURSING

**Lynn Rempel** gave an invited presentation entitled "Putting research into practice: Myths & Magic" to the Niagara Chapter of the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario on Oct. 24.

Rempel was also elected to the board of directors of the Canadian Association on Gerontology at the November Annual General Meeting. She will serve as the Health and Biological Sciences Division Representative.

The following were presented at the Canadian Association on Gerontology conference in Calgary, Alta., last week:

- McCleary, L.; Virani, T.; McGilton, K.; McAuslan, D.; Prentice, D.; Ritchie, D.; Logan-Stephens, J.; Crandall, J.; Harwood, L.; Lawrence-Murphy, J. A.; Ridley, J.; Tigert, J.; and Wilson, B. "Shaping the landscape of nursing care of older persons: Researcher-research user partnerships building evidence about implementing best practice guidelines." (Symposium)
- McCleary, L. "When the rubber hits the road: Evaluating real life implementation of the Client Centred Care Nursing Best Practice Guideline in community hospital settings." (Paper)
- McGilton, K.; McCleary, L.; Guse, L.; Donnelly, M.; Forbes, D.; O'Connor, D.; and Calabrese, E. "Establishing core gerontological competencies for students in nursing, medicine, and social work." (Paper).

### SOCIOLOGY

**Tamari Kitossa** presented his paper "Police, the State, and our Gangster Society" at the 31st Canadian Congress on Criminal Justice in Toronto, Oct. 31 to Nov. 3. The Congress was sponsored by the Canadian Criminal Justice Associations and the Ontario Association of Corrections and Criminology. Kitossa also presented "Racial Profiling, Governmentality, and Administrative Criminology" at the Immigration, Minorities, and Multiculturalism in Democracies conference, held in Montréal, from Oct. 24 to 27. The conference was sponsored by the Ethnicity and Democratic Governance organization.

### VISUAL ARTS

**Derek J. J. Knight** recently presented the following lectures and papers:

- Sept. 26, "Global Positioning Art: Mapping Kassel, Münster and Venice," Oakville Galleries.
- Oct. 19, "The Highline Park: Permeable Borders and Edgeless Perimeters," Session on

Exploding the Boundaries, Greenscapes: Sense and Meaning, inaugural conference, Brock University.

- Nov. 2, "Revisiting an Exhibition: Re-Envisioning Habitat", Session on Land Claims and Real Estate: Post-Centennial Development of the Canadian Landscape, Universities Art Association of Canada, University of Waterloo.

## Publications

**Ayanso, A.; Lertwachara, K.; and Vachon, F.** (2007). "Diversity or Identity Crisis? An Examination of Leading IS Journals," *Communications of the AIS*, 20, pp. 660-680.

**Ben-El-Mechaiekh, Hichem; Buteau, Chantal; and Ralph, Bill.** (2007). "MICA: A Novel Direction in Undergraduate Mathematics Teaching." *Canadian Mathematics Society Notes*, V.29 (no.6), pp. 9-11.

**D'Agostino, Santo.** (2008). (co-author) *Principles of Mathematics 9*. Toronto: Nelson.

**Dimand, Robert W., and Veloce, William.** (2007). "Charles F. Roos, Harold T. Davis and the Quantitative Approach to Business Cycle Analysis at the Cowles Commission in the 1930s and 1940s," *European Journal of the History of Economic Thought*, 14:3 (September), pp. 519-542.

**Dickinson, Adam.** (2007). "Review of Strike/Slip, by Don McKay." *Canadian Literature*, 193: p. 170.

**Dickinson, Adam.** (2007). "Other Minds: The Poetics of Teaching and Writing Poetry." *Imagination in Action*. Ed. Carol Malyon. Toronto: The Mercury Press, pp. 14-17.

**Grant, Barry Keith.** (2007). "The Odessa Steps Sequence (Battleship Potemkin)." *In The Little Black Book of Movies*, ed. Chris Fujiwara, London: Cassell, p. 48.

**Herath, H. S. B. and Kumar, P.** (2007). "On Simple Binomial Approximations for Pricing Options," *Advances in Quantitative Analysis of Finance and Accounting (New Series)*, Volume 5, pp. 163-179

**O'Neill, Tom.** (2007) "'Our Nepali Work is Very Good': Nepalese Domestic Workers as Transnational Subjects." *Asian and Pacific Migration Journal*, 16(3): pp. 301-321.

**Radice-Neumann, D.; Zupan, B.; Babbage, D. R.; and Willer, B.** (2007). "Overview of impaired facial affect recognition in persons with traumatic brain injury." *Brain Injury*, 21(8), pp. 807-816.

**Ribaric, Tim.** (2007). "It's Time to Use a Wiki as Part of Your Website." *Computers in Libraries*, 27(10), pp. 24-29.

**Savage, Larry.** (2007). "Organized Labour and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms," *The Supreme Court Law Review*, 36, pp. 175-199.

## Events

### Department of Biological Sciences Seminar Series:

Friday, Nov. 23: Dr. Jörg Bohlmann, Department of Botany, University of British Columbia, "Terpenoid Chemical Diversity in Conifer Defense".

Friday, Nov. 30: TBD

Friday, Dec. 7: Dr. Susan Bertram, Department of Biology, Carleton University, "Understanding Variation in Sexually Selected Traits: A Cricket Model."

**Centre for the Arts:** The 2007-08 Professional Entertainment Season is now underway. All performances start at 7:30 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise stated. Tickets are on sale at [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca) or by calling ext. 3257.

**November 2007:** Blackie and the Rodeo Kings with Luke Doucet, Nov. 21; *International Guitar Night*, Nov. 28; The Standard Orchestral: *Shower the People: The Music of James Taylor* featuring the Niagara Symphony and the Jeans 'n Classics Band, Nov. 29.

**December 2007:** Stephan Moccio and Justin Hines, Dec. 1; John McDermott, Dec. 2, 2:30 p.m.; Jose Feliciano – *One Night Only!*, Dec. 6; Alpha YaYa Diallo, Dec. 7; The Irish Rovers – *Wasn't That a (Christmas) Party!?* Dec. 9 at 7:30 p.m. (new time) and Dec. 10 at 7:30 p.m.; *Celebrate Christmas* with The Nylons, Dec. 12; Classic Albums Live: *The Beatles – Abbey Road*, Dec. 13.

### Department of Dramatic Arts

Guest Speaker Duncan Stewart, Director of Casting for the National Artists Management Company (NAMCO) will be giving an audition workshop for Dramatic Arts students on Nov. 23, 2007 in Studio ST107, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

### Department of Music

**Music@Noon:** Recital: Piano Students, held at Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Recital runs from 12 noon to 12:50 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 27. This is a free community event.

**The University Wind Ensemble** with Conductor Zoltan Kalman will perform on Tuesday, Nov. 27 at 7:30 p.m. The University Wind Ensemble enjoys a rich heritage of musical excellence, attracting talented brass, woodwind, and percussion performers from both the University and the Niagara community. This free community event will be held at the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre.

**The Brock University Choirs, DUO CHORI I** with Conductors Brent Fifield and Lesley Kingham on Saturday, Nov. 24 at 7:30 p.m., at St. Thomas Anglican Church, 99 Ontario St., St. Catharines. Tickets at the Centre for the Arts Box Office, ext. 3257, or at the door, \$10.

### Department of Visual Arts

**BGL Art Collective**, presented in collaboration between the Department of Visual Arts in and Rodman Hall Arts Centre. An open discussion around the collective creative process related to their exhibit will take place on Friday, Dec. 7 at 2 p.m. The exhibit runs Dec. 13, 2007 to Feb. 24, 2008. Opening reception: Thursday, Dec. 13 at 7 p.m. at Rodman Hall Arts Centre, 109 St. Paul Crescent, St. Catharines.

**Rodman Hall: Memorable Music and Decadent Desserts** featuring the music of Glissandi: A Celebration of the Season. Thursday, Nov. 29 at 7 p.m. Deborah Braun, David Braun, and Doug Miller have been performing together for more than 14 years and have recorded three CDs as Glissandi. Featured regularly in Niagara's finest venues, they are established freelance musicians and members of the Niagara Symphony. Top off the evening by indulging in some very decadent desserts.

To purchase tickets (\$25), or for more information, please contact Patricia Hodge at ext. 5803 or [phodge@brocku.ca](mailto:phodge@brocku.ca)

# BrockNews

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2007

A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## Nursing students participate in Emergency Trauma Training Day

On Nov. 30, students from the Department of Nursing at Brock participated in a unique training initiative involving the Niagara Health System's (NHS) Emergency Department (ED) nursing staff at its St. Catharines General location. ED nurses delivered hands-on training on how to handle emergency trauma situations to more than 20 third- and fourth-year Brock nursing students.

The daylong initiative began with classroom presentations in the morning by ED nurses. In the afternoon, students were divided into three groups and presented with three simulated emergency patients. The 30-minute scenarios included an elderly pedestrian who suffered internal injuries after being hit by a vehicle, a construction worker who had fallen four storeys and a young stabbing victim with multiple wounds. ED Registered Nurses played the role of the patient in each case, while their colleagues guided students through the full gamut of clinical emergency triage, assessment, diagnostic/lab tests and treatment interventions.

The ED Trauma Training Day was a first for Brock and the NHS and was a rare offering for students who do not usually experience the hospital nursing environment until their formal clinical placement. The training day was part of the NHS's ongoing nurse recruitment strategy. Brock, which was recently awarded seven-year accreditation from the Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing, is a natural catchment area for NHS nurse recruitment efforts. Initiatives such as this benefit students as well as both organizations, which are working together to address the nursing shortage in Niagara.

### Help Brock Spread the Net!

A group of Brock students, faculty, staff and alumni are hoping to be the campus to raise the most money for UNICEF's Spread the Net campaign to combat malaria in Africa. The campaign, chaired by CBC comedy show host Rick Mercer and outgoing Liberal MP Belinda Stronach, buys insecticide-treated bed nets that protect sleeping African children from nighttime mosquito bites. Mosquitoes are the primary way malaria is spread.

Brock has one month to out-fundraise 72 other schools across Canada. Mercer will visit the campus that raises the most money to tape a three-minute segment for his CBC program, *The Mercer Report*.

Donations to Brock's campaign can be made online at [www.brocku.ca/communityconnections](http://www.brocku.ca/communityconnections) or [www.busu.net](http://www.busu.net)

For more information about the Spread the Net campaign, please visit [www.spreadthenet.org](http://www.spreadthenet.org)

## Icewine: Extreme Winemaking book launched at CCOVI



Pictured from left at the Nov. 23 book signing in the Fairmont Hotels & Resorts Wine Cellar at the Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute (CCOVI) is Professor Vincenzo DeLuca, Biological Sciences and Plant Biochemistry, CCOVI; Donald Ziraldo; and Professor Isabelle Lesschaeve, Director of CCOVI.

Canadian wine icon Donald Ziraldo recently launched his co-written book *Icewine: Extreme Winemaking* at CCOVI on Nov. 23.

"I couldn't find a lot of research, other than what's being done at Brock University. There isn't a big, broad overview. I started to research and was astounded by how little there is," says Ziraldo.

The book's co-writer is his

longtime partner Karl Kaiser. Professors Debbie Inglis, Isabelle Lesschaeve and Gary Pickering of CCOVI are each acknowledged in the book for their knowledge and expertise. Inglis worked closely with Kaiser on the "Scientific Icewine-Concepts and Facts" chapter of the book. *Icewine: Extreme Winemaking*, listed at \$50, is available at the Campus Store.

## Celebrate the sounds of the season with Noel Niagara



On Sunday, Dec. 9, at 3 p.m., the Niagara Vocal Ensemble will showcase its remarkable range and quality of sound with engaging works of the season at the Concordia Lutheran Seminary Chapel at Brock University.

Under the direction of founding conductor, Dr. Harris Loewen, the 13 female voices of the Niagara Vocal Ensemble have gained a reputation as one of Niagara's leading vocal choirs. All works performed are written or arranged by Niagara composers, complemented with a number of lyrics by Niagara poet-lyricists - thus the title *Noel Niagara: Works by Niagara Composers*.

The program includes works by composers Anne Adams, Matthew Tran-Adams, Prina (Penny) Blake, John Butler,

Harris Loewen, Timothy Phelan, Laura Thomas, Ronald Tremain, as well as others. The character of the program ranges widely from sentimental to joyful with works performed both a cappella and accompanied by local pianist, Lesley Kingham, and guitarist, John Kott.

This concert is part of the Brock University Choral Series, a relatively new series that has emerged over the last few years. Former semifinalists in the CBC National Amateur Choir Competition and a regular guest ensemble in the Stratford Festival of Canada concert series, the Niagara Vocal Ensemble has been closely connected with the Choral Series and with Brock's Department of Music.

Tickets are \$15 and are available at the Centre for the Arts Box Office, 905-688-5550, ext. 3257, or at the door.

## Faculty of Business names 2007 Distinguished Graduate



Jim Ryan

The Faculty of Business is pleased to announce that Jim Ryan has been selected as the 2007 Distinguished Graduate. Ryan studied at Brock University, graduating as a member of the

first Co-op Accounting class in 1984. He earned his Bachelor of Business Administration with First Class Honours and received his Chartered Accountancy designation in 1985.

Ryan has had a very successful career in the software industry culminating in his current position as CEO of St. Minver, a Gibraltar-based company, which is one of Europe's largest online gaming network operators.

"We are pleased to add Jim Ryan to our growing list of Distinguished Graduates," says Martin Kusy, Dean, Faculty of Business. "His many accomplishments are impressive and his ongoing enthusiasm for Brock is appreciated."

"I am sincerely grateful to have been selected as the 2007 Distinguished Graduate," says Ryan. "My education at Brock University provided me with a solid foundation for my business career. I have enjoyed the continued association with Brock and I am honoured by the recognition that this award provides."

Previously in 2004, Ryan launched Excapsa Software Inc., a Toronto-based developer of online gaming software applications. He took Excapsa from its inception as a three-person startup to an extremely profitable, growing organization with more than 200 employees and an initial public offering on the AIM market of the London Stock Exchange prior to its being sold in the fourth quarter of 2006. During the short three-year period, Excapsa grew to \$120 million in annual revenues, with \$32 million of annual profits and operations around the globe.

Following the extraordinary success of Excapsa, St. Minver Ltd. actively recruited Ryan to take on his current position as CEO. Ryan has embraced the new challenge of working within the regulated online gaming environment found within the European community and has grown St. Minver Ltd. to include a full portfolio of online skill- and non-skill-based games. St. Minver Ltd. prides itself as being the preferred provider of gaming solutions to leading brands such as Yahoo, Virgin, Littewoods and Woolworths, to name a few.

Ryan has also held a number of senior positions with various technology-based firms including Chief

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# Microfilm goes digital in the Library

The ability to digitize microfilm and microfiche is now available in the James A. Gibson Library. The Library has recently purchased and installed two microform readers with all of the traditional capabilities of a reader/printer, plus the hardware and software to scan the images on the screen. Now information on film or fiche can be easily examined, cleaned up and placed into presentations from the comforts of your home or office.

The Canon Microfilm/Scanner 350 greatly increases the output options for researchers. Using Capture Perfect 1.0 software, images can be saved to a USB memory stick, a network drive or e-mailed to your Brock account. Scans can be done individually or in batches and saved in JPEG, TIFF, bitmap or PDF formats. The PDF images include an OCR (Optical Character Recognition) option that allows you to search the PDF images. If you prefer hard copies, you are still able to pick up a print at one of the nearby printing stations in the Library. The price to print is 10 cents per page. There is no charge for scanning and saving to a memory stick or attaching to an e-mail.

The microform readers are located on the fifth floor of the Library among the microform collection near the Copying and Printing Services office. The Library's microfilm collections include those on the fifth floor, as well as those in the Special Collections and Archives on the tenth floor.

Contact Maureen McCart, Copying and Printing Services, James A. Gibson Library, at ext. 3263, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or drop by the office for more information.

## Winter 2008 swimming lesson registration

The Eleanor Misener Aquatic Centre at Brock will hold its Winter Term Community Swimming Registration beginning Monday, Dec. 10, at 5 p.m. Registration will continue until all programs are full. Lessons start Saturday, Jan. 5, 2008.

To register, visit the Walker Complex Welcome Desk at Brock, or call 905-688-5550, ext. 4060. Payment by MasterCard or Visa accepted.

Courses include the Lifesaving Learn to Swim, Skill Development and Fitness Program for Children and Adults, Masters Swimming, Competitive Swimming, Diving, Synchronized Swimming, Red Cross and Lifesaving Society Safety and Leadership Training, First Aid and CPR Courses, and AquaFit.

## Eleanor Misener Aquatic Centre – Holiday Fun Swims

Saturday, Dec. 22 – Monday, Dec. 24  
1 to 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 27 – Monday, Dec. 31  
1 to 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 2 – Sunday, Jan. 6  
1 to 4 p.m.

For more information, please call 905-688-5550, ext. 3787, or visit: [www.brocku.ca/aquatics/pool/index.php](http://www.brocku.ca/aquatics/pool/index.php)



The Brock Centre for Healthy Development through Sport and Physical Activity was proud to partner with Pedagógica University in El Salvador to help deliver the first Unity Games in El Salvador on Oct. 19. More than 500 boys and girls from 25 schools across El Salvador participated in co-operative game-like activities at the Olympic Stadium in the capital city of San Salvador. Pictured is former Brock student Joanna Sheppard with students in El Salvador at the Unity Games. Sheppard is a graduate of Brock's Physical Education and Kinesiology undergraduate program ('02) and master's program ('05), and is currently pursuing doctoral studies at OISE/UT.

## Toast the Holidays with Brock Alumni Association wine



This private labelling of Creekside Estates wine has been hand crafted by winemaker Rob Power (BSc, '02) one of the first graduates from the Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute at Brock. Both VQA

wines are available for purchase online at [www.brockalumni.ca](http://www.brockalumni.ca), or by contacting Creekside Estate Winery. Proceeds will be directly used to benefit Brock students and support Brock University Alumni Association activities, such as support for the construction of the Learning Commons.

**2006 VQA Sauvignon Blanc (\$14.95):** This intensely refreshing wine showcases grapefruit, gooseberry, and starfruit with hints of lemongrass on the nose. A focused, intense palate driven by racy grapefruit acidity with grassy, lemon/lime flavours and a crisp mineral note on the finish. A phenomenal aperitif wine, but also a great match for classic summer fare.

**2006 VQA Cabernet (\$14.95):** Ruby red verging on purple in colour. The nose is an aromatic blend of intense red berry fruits such as cherry and currant accented by cedar and oak spice in the background. The palate is rich and full with jammy red-berry fruit and hints of cassis and leather spice. Well-rounded palate with excellent length. Drinking well now with optimum aging between 2007 and 2010.



## Region hosts National Child Day poetry celebration

Every year, the Regional Municipality of Niagara hosts National Child Day celebrations on Nov. 20 to commemorate the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child and promote child and youth citizenship. This year, students from local elementary schools presented original poetry, with such titles as "Children of the World," "In Our Great Country," and "Our Right to Survival," to municipal councillors at Regional headquarters in Thorold. Pictured from left are Dr. Robin Williams, Chief Medical Officer, Regional Niagara Public Health Department; Katie Mackett, St. Ann School; Jessica Stones, St. Joseph School; Victoria Arca, St. Theresa School; Professor Richard Mitchell, Child and Youth Studies, Brock University and Johnny Williamson, Caistor Central School.

## Faculty of Business names... continues from page 1.

Financial Officer of Cryptologic, Chief Financial Officer of SXC Health Solutions, Inc., Chief Financial Officer of Procuron Inc., Vice President of Business Development for Metcan Information Technologies Inc., and Chief Financial Officer of Epson Canada Limited.

Ryan currently sits on the boards of St. Minver Ltd., and Big Stick Media Corporation. Up until very recently, he was a member of the board of SXC Health Solutions, Inc., having spent 10 years working as an active member of the leadership team driving SXC to become one of Canada's technologies success stories. Other previous directorships include Excapsa Software Inc., NuContex Corporation and Alan A. Lampert Stadium. In addition, Ryan has been active in Junior Achievement, the Stephen Leacock Foundation for Children's Charities and the Juvenile Diabetes Association.

## Fantasy Fractions/Fractions Fantastiques Learning Object

Students from École Nouvel Horizon in Welland gathered at Brock University on Oct. 26 to celebrate the design and implementation of a mathematics learning object based on their ideas.

Fantasy Fractions/Fractions Fantastiques Learning Object is the result of a collaborative project between Brock and the elementary school. The creation of the project involved the participation of all Grade 5 students, school principal M. Kamel Kodil, and Grade 5 and 6 teachers Mme Michelle-Elise Lacroix and Mme Stacey Savignac. The object can be viewed online at [www.brocku.ca/mathematics/studentproj](http://www.brocku.ca/mathematics/studentproj)

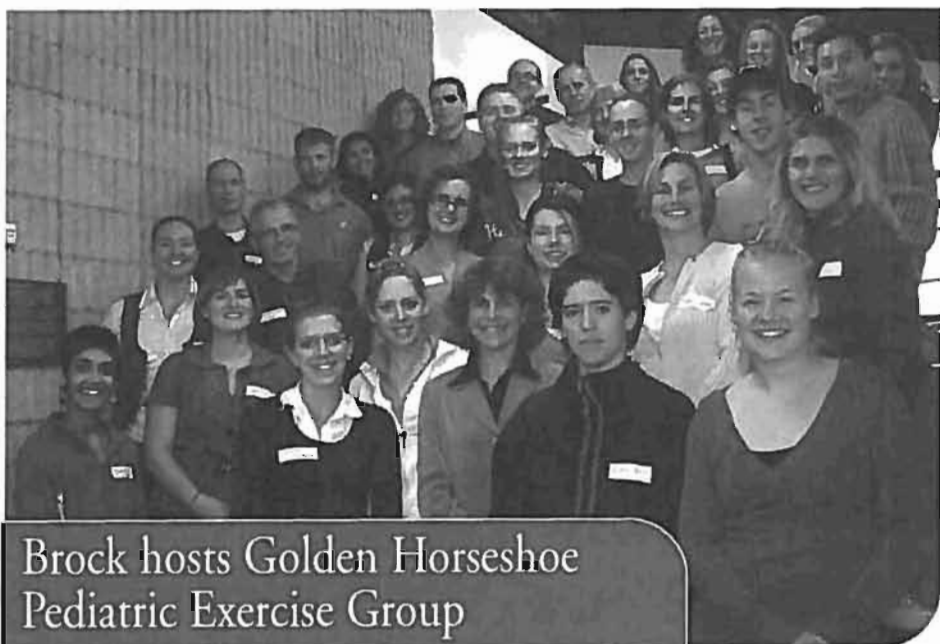
Collaborating directly with the elementary school was Brock Mathematics honour's student Sarah Camilleli, who carried out her thesis project around designing and implementing the learning object and whose work was co-supervised by Professor Chantal Bureau, Department of Mathematics, and Professor Joyce Mgombeo, Pre-service Department, Faculty of Education.

While at the University celebration, the students, who are now in Grade 6, toured campus and played mathematics games that were planned and facilitated by Brock students.

Professor Sheila Bennett, Chair, Pre-service Department, and Professor Hichem Ben-El-Mechaiekh, Chair, Department of Mathematics, presented certificates to the students in recognition of their involvement in the project.

Fantasy Fractions guides users through three big ideas of fractions: equivalent fractions, mixed and improper fractions, and comparing fractions. The participating Grade 5 students designed the interactive lessons, games, story lines and characters. Details such as blue apples and the smiley face on one of the character's T-shirt were all integrated to faithfully reflect the students' design.

The report of this project was presented at Fields Institute mathematics education forum on Nov. 24. As well the report will be submitted to *Mathematics Gazette*, journal of the Ontario Association for Mathematics Education.



## Brock hosts Golden Horseshoe Pediatric Exercise Group

On Oct. 26, the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology hosted the second annual meeting of the Golden Horseshoe Pediatric Exercise Group. Professor Bareket Falk arranged the scientific program for the event. Twenty faculty, staff and graduate students from the Faculty of Applied Health Sciences attended and presented their research. The guest speaker was Dr. Dianne Ward, from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, N.C. The purpose of the Exercise Group is to promote research, exchange of ideas, and practice in pediatric exercise science. Brock plays a leading role in this group that holds tremendous potential for the enhancement of pediatric exercise science in Ontario.

## 2008 RESPECT: Give It, Get It workshops

This winter, Human Rights and Equity Services will continue to offer the "RESPECT: Give It, Get It" workshops for faculty and staff. Workshop dates are:  
 Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2008, 1 - 4 p.m., Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber  
 Thursday, Jan. 17, 2008, 9 a.m. - 12 noon, Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber  
 Monday, Jan. 21, 2008, 1 - 4 p.m., Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber  
 Thursday, Jan. 24, 2008, 9 a.m. - 12 noon, Pond Inlet  
 Monday, Feb. 25, 2008, 1 - 4 p.m., Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber  
 Friday, March 7, 2008, 9 a.m. - 12 noon, Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber  
 Monday, March 10, 2008, 1 - 4 p.m., Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber  
 Thursday, March 13, 2008, 9 a.m. - 12 noon, Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber  
 Thursday, March 20, 2008, 9 a.m. - 12 noon, Pond Inlet  
 Wednesday, March 26, 2008, 9 a.m. - 12 noon, Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber  
 Tuesday, April 1, 2008, 1 - 4 p.m., Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber  
 For more information and to register, please visit the Focus on Learning website: [www.brocku.ca/hr/training/focus](http://www.brocku.ca/hr/training/focus), or contact Human Rights and Equity Services at ext. 5657.

## Brock Briefs

### Brock Go Club places third at tournament

The Brock University Go Club took part in the third annual "High School and University Go Tournament" at the University of Toronto, Scarborough Campus, on Nov. 24. The Brock team placed third out of eight teams, which included competitors from the University of Toronto, University of Waterloo, and local area high schools. The game Go was developed in China about 4,000 to 4,500 years ago and is based on strategy and tactics. The Brock Go club meets every Wednesday evening at the University. For more information, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/GoClub](http://www.brocku.ca/GoClub)

### Community Health Sciences spreads Christmas cheer

For the past three years the Department of Community Health Sciences has supported Community Care's Adopt-a-Family Program. This year it has extended its charitable efforts to Women's Place as well. Faculty, staff and students from the Department have to date raised \$1,565.07 in cash donations. The money will be used to purchase gifts for each of the families adopted by the Department. A special thank you goes out to the students within Community Health Sciences for their generous contributions and to the faculty and staff members for their efforts and personal contributions.

### MA thesis defences

A Master of Arts thesis defence for Nicole Bergman, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, will be held on Friday, Dec. 7, at 9:30 a.m. in WH 147. The title of her thesis is "A Phenomenological Exploration of the Relationship Between Home-Centred Older Adults' Leisure and the Home Environment." Supervisor: Colleen Hood; External Examiner: Jerry Singleton, Dalhousie University; Committee Members: Glenn Stalker, Suzie Lane; Chair: Shalini Singh.

A Master of Arts thesis defence for Jennifer Gasparotto, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 12, at 10 a.m. in WC 284. The title of her thesis is "Cues to Action: Do They Result in Belief and Behavioural Change in Women." Supervisor: Diane Mack; External Examiner: Jennifer Irwin, University of Western Ontario; Committee Members: Philip Wilson, Bareket Falk; Chair: David Gabriel.

A Master of Arts thesis defence for Maria de Carvalho, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, will be held on Friday, Dec. 14 at 9 a.m. in Plaza 308. The title of her thesis is "The Implications of Being an International Medical Graduate (IMG) in Canadian Society: Qualitative Study of Foreign-Trained Physicians' Resettlement, Sense of Identity and Health Status." Supervisor: Heather Lee Kilty; External Examiner: Theresa Anzovino, Niagara College; Committee Members: Sue Arai, Ana Sanchez; Chair: TBA.

A Master of Arts thesis defence for Emily Johnson, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 19 at 10 a.m. in WH 147. The title of her thesis is "The Essence of a Tacit Intersection: A Heuristic Inquiry into Nature-Based Leisure and Personal Transformation." Supervisor: Colleen Hood; External Examiner: Bob Henderson, McMaster University; Committee Members: Mary Breunig, Shalini Singh; Chair: Suzie Lane.

### MSc thesis defence

A Master of Science thesis defence for Ian Smith, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, will be held on Friday, Dec. 14 at 10 a.m. in WC 284. The title of his thesis is "Force Potentiation in the MDX Mouse." Supervisor: Rene Vandenboom; External Examiner: Dennis Claffin, University of Michigan; Committee Members: Russ Tupling, Brian Roy; Chair: David Gabriel.

## Mediatalk

People in the news

**Debra Inglis**, Associate Professor of Biological Sciences from the Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Nov. 23 story about a new icewine study conducted by her research team, "Study sets limits on icewine's sweetness." The study found that if the sugars in the chilly, newly pressed grape juice are too high, yeast cannot properly turn the liquid into wine. For more information, please visit: [www.brocku.ca/ccovi](http://www.brocku.ca/ccovi)

**Richard Mitchell**, Assistant Professor of Child and Youth Studies, was interviewed by *Niagara This Week* about his involvement with the "Join The Revolution - Go Green" youth symposium that took place at Club Italia in Niagara Falls as part of National Child Day. In the Nov. 23 article, "Healthy environment a right, kids told," Mitchell notes that it is crucial that today's youth do not become cynical or convinced they can't make a difference, the way most adults usually become, because kids have a natural enthusiasm.

**Kate Cassidy**, Executive Director of Youth University, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Nov. 20 story - "Grade 5, 6 students headed to Brock" - about an essay contest that they held this past Fall for Grade 5-8 students from across Ontario. The contest invited students to write an essay exploring the characteristics of a classroom community. Cassidy and other representatives from Youth University were on hand at Mother Teresa Elementary School in St. Catharines on Nov. 19 to present the junior grand prize winner with a gift certificate, and his class with their free trip to Youth University.

**Voila Marinos**, Assistant Professor of Child and Youth Studies, was interviewed on the Rutherford Show, on AM 770 CHQR in Alberta on Nov. 20, about the purpose and effectiveness of the government's proposed bill to toughen the Youth Criminal Justice Act in the areas of sentencing and pre-trial detention.

**Vincenzo DeLuca**, Professor of Biological Sciences and Canada Research Chair in Plant Biotechnology, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Nov. 19 story about research he is conducting on periwinkles in order to find ways of increasing the alkaloid content of the plants. The research has the potential to pave the way for making cancer drugs out of common field crops. In the article, "Playing the field to fight cancer," DeLuca notes that "Research on the periwinkle was initially to find its anti-diabetic properties, but instead of anti-diabetic properties they found anti-cancer properties. There's a really bright future ahead for producing these types of compounds." The article was also reprinted in the Nov. 20 issue of the *Welland Tribune*.

**Zoltan Kalman**, Part-time faculty member in the Department of Music, was interviewed on AM 610 CKTB's "Niagara at Noon" program on Nov. 19 about the University Wind Ensemble event that took place at Notre Dame high school in Welland on Nov. 20. Kalman was also interviewed by the *Welland Tribune* about this event for a Nov. 17 story, "Brock musicians visit Welland for concert."

### The Children's Movement Program - Winter 2008

Does your child like to jump, climb, explore, dance and play games? This Saturday morning program is based on Brock's Movement Education program, incorporating problem-solving and decision-making skills. Educational gymnastics, creative dance and developmental games are

**Garth Stevenson**, Professor of Political Science, was interviewed by the *Vancouver Sun* for a Nov. 17 story about the possibility of Justin Trudeau running for leader of the federal Liberal Party, "Trudeau son joins ranks of dynastic material."

**Terry Boak**, Vice-President, Academic and Provost, was interviewed by the *Sioux Lookout Bulletin* for a Nov. 14 story about the official launch of the Sioux Lookout District Bachelor of Education Program, "NNEC, Brock create a lasting partnership in education." The program, which places a strong emphasis on the linguistic and other cultural gifts of the Anishnawbek, is a partnership between the Northern Nishnawbe Education Council and Brock University's Faculty of Education.

**Rodger Beatty**, Associate Dean, Faculty of Education, was interviewed by the University of Ottawa student newspaper *The Fulcrum* for a Nov. 14 story about a provincewide lack of spaces available for education students to complete their in-class practical studies, "Aspiring teachers struggle to find classroom placements."

**Jane Leavitt**, Assistant Professor of Dramatic Arts, was a guest on the CHTV program "Niagara Express" on Nov. 4, where she discussed T.A.P. - an integrated arts program that she and Brock's Dramatic Arts students ran this past summer in Port Antonio, Jamaica. *Mosaic Edition*, a multicultural newspaper published in St. Catharines, also interviewed Leavitt about the T.A.P. project.

**David Sharron**, Head, Special Collections and University Archivist in the James A. Gibson Library, was interviewed by *Wine East* magazine for a story about the establishment of the Niagara Wine and Grape Archives at Brock University - "Niagara Wine and Grape Archive Founded" - that appeared in the publication's July-August 2007 issue. The archives are looking for records that chronicle the history of oenology and viticulture in the Niagara Region. For more information, visit: [www.brocku.ca/library/spcl](http://www.brocku.ca/library/spcl)

**Charles Burton**, Professor of Political Science, recently participated in the following media interviews:

- interviewed by *Singtao Daily* for a Nov. 20 article, "Possibly in retaliation for receiving Dalai Lama, China Cancels Meeting of the Canada-China Strategic Working Group";
- cited in an open letter to the Commons Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Development signed by Amnesty International and 10 other NGOs that urges the release of the Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Development's China Study Report;
- published an op-ed piece in the Nov. 14 issue of *Embassy: Canada's Foreign Policy Newsletter*, "A 'Principled' Approach, Quiet Diplomacy and Harper's Message to Beijing";
- published a letter in the Nov. 13 issue of the *National Post*, "Mulroney's \$300,000";
- interviewed by CBC Radio New Brunswick on Nov. 7 about the Chinese government-funded Confucius Institute opening in Moncton, N.B. this fall.

For more information, please visit his webpage at: <http://spartan.ac.brocku.ca/~cburton>

used to challenge children to be active and try new skills. University student volunteers are available to assist children with a special need should they require some extra help.

The program runs for eight Saturday mornings beginning Jan. 12 at 9 a.m., 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. The cost is \$51 per child. Register in person at the Welcome Desk in the Walker Complex, or call ext. 4060.



## Faculty and Staff

### APPLIED LINGUISTICS

**Thomas S. C. Farrell** was the guest speaker at the TESL Hamilton-Wentworth Annual General Meeting in October 2007.

**Barbra Zupan** recently delivered the following presentations at the American Speech, Language and Hearing Association (ASHA) Convention in Boston, Mass., held from Nov. 15 to 17:

- "Affect Recognition Treatment Programs: Parallels Between Autism and TBI." Barbra Zupan, Dawn Neumann and Barry Willer.
- "Does Therapy Approach Affect Modality Preference in Children with Cochlear Implants?" Barbra Zupan and Joan Sussman.

### ATHLETICS

**Joe Kenny, Jim Bilotta** and Physical Education and Kinesiology graduate student **Alison Longo** presented a workshop to the Niagara Catholic District School Board's physical education teachers at a recent Professional Activity Day. Kenny presented therapeutic exercises that can be used everyday in class warm-ups to help students mitigate overuse injuries and facilitate balance and joint stability. Simple tests to evaluate common sports injuries were also demonstrated and key rehab exercises. Bilotta and Longo demonstrated advanced taping and support techniques. The teachers and coaches had opportunities to apply their new skills in this interactive practical workshop.

### CHILD AND YOUTH STUDIES

**Jan Frijters** and **Dorothy Griffiths** from the Department of Child and Youth Studies and Centre for Applied Disabilities Studies were recently honoured along with two former Brock students Shelley Watson and Stephanie Willison, and Yona Lunsky from the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, at the Australasian Society for the Study of Intellectual Disabilities National Conference in Freemantle, Australia on Nov. 7. They were awarded the 2007 JIDD Editor's Prize for their article, "Sexual knowledge and attitudes of men with intellectual disability who sexually offend," published in the *Journal of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities* 32(2).

**Zopito Marini** was invited by Hamilton Public Health Services to be the keynote speaker at its annual Family Home Visitors Conference held in Ancaster, Ont., on Nov. 9. The title of the presentation was "Fostering Attachment in an At-Risk Population."

**Zopito Marini** and **Patti Andrews** delivered a presentation, entitled "Strengthening the Principal-Parent Partnership to Prevent Bullying," at the Annual Conference of the Ontario Principals' Council, held in Toronto on Nov. 17.

**Shauna Pomerantz** recently presented a paper, entitled "Why Girls' Style Matters: Social Skin and School Identities," at the Redefining Student Engagement Symposium, held at the Centre for Urban Schooling, Hart House, University of Toronto, from Nov. 8 to 9.

### CLASSICS

**Fanny Dolansky** was invited to participate in a panel on "Children and Childhood in Antiquity" at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature/American Academy of Religion in San Diego, Calif. She delivered a paper on Nov. 19, entitled "Children at the Saturnalia."

### COMMUNICATIONS, POPULAR CULTURE AND FILM

**Greg Gillespie**, delivered a presentation, entitled "Pissed Tae Th' Gills: The Real McKenzies, Robert Burns' Day, and the Discourse of Highlandism," to the International Conference on National Days, at Glasgow-Caledonian University, Glasgow, Scotland, held from Nov. 29 to 30.

### ECONOMICS

**Marilyn Cottrell** delivered a presentation entitled "Utilizing Animated Vignettes to Reinforce Basic Microeconomics Principles" at the Third Annual Economic Teaching Conference in Austin, Tex., held Nov. 1 to 2.

### EDUCATION

**Rodger Beatty** facilitated and chaired the Research Paper sessions held at the 2007 Trillium conference of the Ontario Music Educators' Association in Huntsville, Ont., from Nov. 1 to 3.

**Rodger Beatty** was re-elected to the 2007-08 Board of Directors of the Canadian Music Industry Education Committee.

### MUSIC

**Harris Loewen** performed as a jazz soloist at an afternoon concert in Niagara Falls on Sept. 21. He also performed as a classical soloist in a performance of the Eleanor Daley Requiem, presented by the choirs of St. George's and St. Barnabas Anglican Churches in St. Catharines on Nov. 11. Lesley Kingham from the Department of Music prepared the St. Barnabas choir and former Brock instructor John Butler conducted the performance. Other soloists included Brock graduates Nancy Secord and Jody Wieler.

**Matthew Royal** presented a paper, entitled "The Rhythms of Francisco de Salinas: A True Rebirth of Greek Musical Thought," at the 30th annual meeting of the Society for Music Theory, held in Baltimore, Md., from Nov. 15 to 18.

### NURSING

**Lynn McCleary** gave an invited presentation, entitled "Putting research into practice: Myths and Magic" to the Niagara Chapter of the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario on Oct. 24.

**Lynn McCleary** was also elected to the board of directors of the Canadian Association on Gerontology at the November annual general meeting. She will serve as the Health and Biological Sciences Division representative.

### PHILOSOPHY

**Christine Daigle** presented the paper "The Mother of Us All: Beauvoir as Initiator. Towards an Ambiguous Identity" at the 46th Annual Conference of SPEP (Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy) in Chicago, Ill., on Nov. 8.

**Brian Lightbody** recently presented the following papers:

- Sept. 25, "Four Theories of Determinism: Physical, Christian, Psychological and Karmic," St. Catharines Public Library.
- Oct. 21, "Foucault and Religion," Unitarian Congregation of Niagara.
- Nov. 1, "The Idea of Canada: Bridging the Multi-Solitudes," at the Two Days of Canada Conference, "Visions and Visionaries: Religion in Canada," Brock University.

- Nov. 17, "Bodies as Material and Political Machines: Going Beyond the Anatomico-Metaphysical Reading of Descartes' Discourse on Method," at the Clocks, Machines and Automata in the 17th Century Conference, Dominican University College, Ottawa.

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND KINESIOLOGY

The Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology had a strong presence at two of the largest national exercise science meetings in Canada.

This year's meeting of the Canadian Society for Psychomotor Learning and Sport Psychology (SCAPPS) was hosted by the University of Windsor in downtown Windsor, Ont. The meeting ran from Nov. 7 to 10, with six faculty members and 10 graduate students from Brock's department in attendance.

A week later, Nov. 14 to 17, the University of Western Ontario hosted the 2007 meeting of the Canadian Society for Exercise Physiology (CSEP) in downtown London, Ont. Brock had one of the largest delegations at the meeting, made up of 11 faculty, two staff and 21 graduate students, who presented 14 papers.

## Publications

**Anco, S. C., Bland, J., and Eastwood, M.** "Some Penrose transforms in complex differential geometry," *Science in China Series A: Mathematics* (2006) Vol. 49 No. 11, pp. 1599-1610.

**Anco, S. C.** "Hamiltonian curve flows in Lie groups G in U(N) and vector NLS, mKdV, sine-Gordon soliton equations," in *IMA Volumes in Mathematics and its Applications*, Vol. 144, *Symmetries and Overdetermined Systems of Partial Differential Equations* (2007), pp. 223-250.

**Beatty, R. J.** (2007). Review of *Peggy's Violin: A Butterfly in Time*. *The Recorder*, 50(1), pp. 46-47.

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**Conley, Tim.** "Seeing Reproductions." Review of *My Own Places: Poems on John Constable*, by Don Kerr, and *Predicting the Next Big Advertising Breakthrough Using a Potentially Dangerous Method*, by Daniel Scott Tysdal. *Canadian Literature* 193 (2007): pp. 144-46.

**Farrell, T. S. C.** (2007). *Reflective Language Teaching: From Research to Practice*. London: Continuum Press.

**Gillespie, Greg.** *Hunting for Empire: Narratives of Sport in Rupert's Land, 1840-1870*. Vancouver: The University of British Columbia Press, 2007.

**Savage, Larry.** (2007). "Organized Labour and Constitutional Reform Under Mulroney," *Labour/Le Travail*, 60, pp.137-170.

## Events

**Department of Biological Sciences Seminar Series:** Friday, Dec. 7: Dr. Susan Bertram, Department of Biology, Carleton University, "Understanding Variation in Sexually Selected Traits: A Cricket Model."

**Centre for the Arts:** The 2007-08 Professional Entertainment Season is now underway. All performances start at 7:30 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise stated. Tickets are on sale at [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca) or by calling ext. 3257.

Jose Feliciano - *One Night Only!*, Dec. 6; Alpha YaYa Diallo, Dec. 7; The Irish Rovers - *Wasn't That a (Christmas) Party!?* Dec. 9 at 7:30 p.m. (*New Time*) and Dec. 10 at 7:30 p.m.; *Celebrate Christmas with The Nylons*, Dec. 12; Classic Albums Live: *The Beatles - Abbey Road*, Dec. 13.

**The Office of Human Rights and Equity Services** wishes to share an exciting upcoming multicultural community event with the Brock community! The City of St. Catharines Mayor's Committee on Community and Race Relations is hosting a multicultural, multifait holiday celebration on Thursday, Dec. 20, at 7 p.m., at Robertson Hall, Folk Arts Building in downtown St. Catharines. "Recognize, Respect, Rejoice" will celebrate the spiritual festivals of Christmas, Eid, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa and Diwali. Tickets are \$5 and can be ordered by e-mailing [tsorbookings@gmail.com](mailto:tsorbookings@gmail.com), or by calling 905-682-7247. This season, take the opportunity to celebrate diversity and learn about others!

## Classified

**House For Rent:** Well-maintained character house in West Port Colborne, three bedrooms, 1.5 baths, five appliances new in 2005, large garage/workshop and large yard. \$825/month, available Feb. 1, 2008. Call 289-897-9143.

**For sale:** Solid oak dining room suite, 42" x 60" table with two 18" leaves, two captain's chairs, four side chairs, buffet and hutch with leaded glass. \$2,500 or best offer. Call 905-937-2813 after 5:30 p.m.

## 2008 Brock News Schedule

Publication date	Submission date	Publication date	Submission date
Jan. 16	Jan. 4	July 16	July 4
Jan 30	Jan. 18	July 30	July 18
Feb. 13	Feb. 1	Aug. 13	Aug. 1
Feb. 27	Feb. 15	Aug. 27	Aug. 15
March 12	Feb. 29	Sept. 10	Aug. 29
March 26	March 14	Sept. 24	Sept. 12
April 9	March 28	Oct. 8	Sept. 26
April 23	April 11	Oct. 22	Oct. 10
May 7	April 25	Nov. 5	Oct. 24
May 21	May 9	Nov. 19	Nov. 7
June 4	May 23	Dec. 3	Nov. 21
June 18	June 6	Dec. 17	Dec. 5
No issue	July 2		

## Environmental ergonomics the focus of Brock's newest Canada Research Chair

Brock University Professor Stephen Cheung, who joined the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology earlier this summer, has been appointed a Canada Research Chair for his innovative research on the effects of extreme temperatures on human physiology and performance.

His research looks at the interactions between protective clothing, heat stress and exercise performance, and it has the potential to impact the design and development of enhanced technology, training and occupational safety for those who risk their lives to protect the rest of us.

"The appointment of Professor Cheung to a Canada Research Chair contributes to Brock's development as a research intensive institution," says Ian Brindle, Associate Vice-President, Research. "His work is vital for many reasons. Whether for clothing Canadian peacekeepers in conditions of severe cold and heat, or keeping arctic workers safe in harsh climates, this research will provide crucial insights into protecting people and making them more effective in extreme environments."

The Canadian Foundation for Innovation also awarded Cheung \$82,541 from its Leaders Opportunity Fund to establish a Thermal Physiology Research Facility at the University.

As a Tier 2 Research Chair, Brock will receive funding of \$500,000 over the next five years. Tier 2 positions are awarded to researchers who are acknowledged by their peers as having the potential to lead in their field.

"As demonstrated in Mobilizing Science and Technology to Canada's Advantage, the Government of Canada is committed to improving Canada's international reputation for research excellence," says Jim Prentice, Minister of Industry and Minister responsible for the Canada Research Chairs Program. "By investing in the Canada Research Chairs Program, we are helping universities recruit and retain the most brilliant and promising researchers, and contributing to enable these institutions to become leaders in the fields of advanced science and technology."

## Brock's graduate students to benefit from \$1-million matched gift



From left: President Jack Lightstone; Yue Wang, graduate student in the MSc in Management (Finance) program; Hilary Brown, graduate student in the joint PhD program in Educational Studies; Dr. Raymond and Mrs. Sachi Moriyama; and Hannes Leisch, graduate student in the PhD in Chemistry program.

Dr. Raymond Moriyama, an internationally acclaimed architect who designed many of the buildings on Brock University's campus, continues to build on his own legacy.

Moriyama, who received an honorary degree from Brock and is the University's former Chancellor, donated a gift of \$500,000 on Dec. 14 that will be matched with another \$500,000 by the Ontario Graduate Fellowship Program (OGFP). The award, to be known as the Dr. Raymond and Mrs. Sachi Moriyama Graduate Fellowships Award, will be presented to exemplary students entering graduate programs at Brock.

"I am honoured to support graduate students and graduate students at Brock, an institution with which I've enjoyed a warm relationship of more than 30 years," said Moriyama. "I'm confident that the diverse and important research that Brock's graduate students are undertaking will benefit the world in many ways."

The revenue from the fellowship will be shared by the University's six academic Faculties — Applied Health

Sciences, Business, Education, Humanities, Mathematics and Science, and Social Sciences — to recruit the best and brightest graduate candidates.

"Attracting outstanding graduate students is a top priority," said Brock President Jack Lightstone. "Dr. Moriyama's thoughtful and generous support of our graduate programs is key to enhancing the social, economic and cultural lives of communities around us in the Niagara region, Ontario, Canada and beyond."

Marilyn Rose, Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies, said Moriyama's gift represents an acknowledgement of the growing reputation and value of Brock's graduate programs and "will provide an opportunity for graduate students to undertake new and enhanced research in areas of great social significance."

In attendance at the cheque presentation were representatives from Brock University and the Graduate Students Association. The event also featured poster presentations of graduate students who were on hand to discuss their respective fields of research.

## New Inclement Weather Policy in place

A new Inclement Weather Policy has been developed to guide Brock's communications to faculty, staff, students and the broader community when severe weather threatens to interrupt normal university operations. (The new policy replaces the former Interruption of Normal Operations Policy.)

Using suggestions brought forward by faculty, staff and students following last February's severe winter storm, the new policy defines "essential services" and what it means for the university to be "closed", Closing the University is defined as:

- Classes are not held;
- Meetings and other scheduled community events are cancelled. Any exceptions will be communicated via the Brock website and/or local radio stations;
- All areas and operations not defined as "essential" are closed;
- Examinations scheduled on the day or evening of a closing are cancelled, and rescheduled;
- Deadlines for assignments and other submissions are postponed until the same hour of the next academic day on which the University is not "closed."

As the home of 2,400 students living in campus residences, the University is responsible for maintaining essential services throughout emergency closing. The "essential services" to be kept in operation during weather-related closings include:

- Food service in the residences
- Campus security services
- Facilities management
- Animal care
- Residence and conference services
- Emergency repair and maintenance
- Telecommunications
- Communications

Staff providing essential services are designated by the department heads responsible for those services.

Individual faculty, staff, and students are responsible for checking the Brock website, portal, and/or telephone switchboard, and to listen for local radio station announcements of closures at the University.

In the absence of a communicated decision to close, the University remains open and all activities continue as planned. At all times, individuals should assess their personal safety in deciding whether to come to work or class.

It is the responsibility of faculty to inform their students of class cancellations in the event they are unable to attend and the University is open.

The new Inclement Weather Policy will be available on the front page of the Brock website at [www.brocku.ca](http://www.brocku.ca)

All faculty, staff and students are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the policy as the season of winter hazards is now upon us.

## Menorah's flame pierces the darkness

About 75 people gathered outside the front entrance of the Schmon Tower on Dec. 6 to celebrate Hanukkah, the Jewish festival of lights. It was the first time Brock University celebrated the traditional lighting of the menorah as a campus-wide event.

The large menorah was moved from the tower lobby to the outdoors for the official ceremony. The light bulbs were removed and replaced by oil lamps.

Rabbi Eliyahu Courante, Campus Ministries and a Rabbi of St. Catharines, said the ceremony was initiated by Campus Ministries and organized in cooperation with the Jewish Students' Association at Brock and Rabbi Zalman Zaltzman of Chabad Niagara in Niagara Falls. Participating in the ceremony were Zaltzman and Jack Miller, Building and Space/Chemistry, representing Brock

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## Services over the Holiday Season

Brock University offices will be closed at 4:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 21, 2007 and will reopen at 7 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2008.

The Walker Complex will be open to the public Dec. 17 to 21 from 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., December 22 to 24 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Closed Dec. 25 and 26, open Dec. 27 to 31 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., closed Jan. 1, open Jan. 2 to 4 from 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Regular hours will commence Sunday, Jan. 5, 2008.

From Saturday, Dec. 22, 2007 to Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2008 (inclusive), Campus Security Services will unlock the Schmon Tower's main entrance doors from 9:30 to 10 a.m. and from 1:30 to 2 p.m., for faculty and staff who do not possess an exterior door key and have a legitimate reason to enter the University. We request that all faculty and staff accessing 573 Glenridge and Academic East also sign in at the Information desk located on the main floor of the Tower lobby.

For one's own personal safety, **anyone entering** the University during this period should sign in and out.

Faculty and staff do not need a pass to gain access providing they have their own keys for access and can produce ID. Anyone else wishing access to the University must notify Campus Security Services, via an e-mail from their administrative assistant, Dean or Department head, sent to security@brocku.ca advising of his or her impending visit.

This e-mail notice must be received prior to Dec 20, 2007 by 4 p.m. and must specify times and dates of the visits. Brock University ID must be produced on the day of the visit.

In the event of a building or grounds-related emergency during the period of Dec. 22, 2007 to Jan. 1, 2008 (inclusive), please call Campus Security Services at ext. 3200 which, in turn, will inform the applicable Facilities Management staff that can best address the emergency. Heating setbacks will be in effect when the University is closed.

Custodial Services will be provided at the Walker Complex during hours of operation over the holiday season.

There will be no food service on campus other than vending machines during the holidays. There are a number of food outlets on the east side of Glenridge Avenue, immediately opposite the main campus.

Should a significant snowfall occur, major campus roads will be cleared, including lots D and P. These are the parking lots that should be utilized by all visitors, faculty, staff and students. There will be no charge to park in these lots over the holiday period.

If you have further questions regarding this notice, please contact Campus Security Services at ext. 3200 or by e-mail at security@brocku.ca

## Residence workers helping the community



For about 20 years, the students on the Residence Life Staff (RLS) at Brock have purchased gifts and clothing for local "adopted" families. Most recently, the families have been identified through Community Care's "Adopt-a-Family" program. At a recent End-of-Term at Rodman Hall, Residence Life Staff and their colleagues enjoyed food and refreshments, but also took time to reflect on the warm feeling associated with the gift of giving.

## Brock professors among semifinalists for Ontario's Best Lecturer

Nominations came in from colleges and universities across the province, and TVO has now selected 38 semifinalists to compete for the title of Ontario's Best Lecturer in the 2008 *Big Ideas* Best Lecturer Competition sponsored by TD Meloche Monnex.

Included in the semifinals are Brock professors Tim Conley, Department of English Language and Literature, and John Mitterer, Department of Psychology.

*Big Ideas* is TVO's televised lecture series. A panel of independent judges will review video submissions of lectures from the semifinalists, and produce a shortlist of 10 finalists. The judges – former teacher, school

principal and politician Zanana Akande; author, poet and award-winning journalist Barry Callaghan; and actor/writer/producer Tony Nardi – will look for lecturers who engage their listeners with passion, flair and clarity, conveying their knowledge with genuine conviction.

The 10 finalists will deliver complete lectures on *Big Ideas* over five weeks beginning March 1, 2008. The viewers will then vote and ultimately decide who will be Ontario's next Best Lecturer. The winner's institution will receive a \$10,000 TD Meloche Monnex scholarship.

## Paul-André Bosc joins forces with business students

The Brock Business Students' Association (BSA) is pleased to announce Paul-André Bosc of Château des Charmes Wines as the honorary president of the association for the 2007-08 academic year.

Bosc has been a long time supporter of the Faculty of Business and sits on the Dean's Advisory Council. In his role as honorary president, Bosc will be working with Faculty of Business students to raise awareness of the valuable student resources available through Brock.

As an avid promoter of long-term economic growth in the Region, Bosc sees this relationship as an opportunity to enhance the networking opportunities for local employers and Brock business students with the ultimate goal of encouraging Brock graduates to stay in the Niagara Region.

"We are thrilled to have someone of Mr. Bosc's calibre as the inaugural honorary president of the Business Students' Association," said Bryceson Dodge, president of the BSA.

"I am looking forward to working with the students from the Faculty of Business. Together we can encourage economic growth and prosperity in the Niagara Region,"

said Bosc.

Bosc's current position is Vice-President of Administration, Marketing and Export Development for Château des Charmes in Niagara-on-the-Lake, a family business established by his father, Paul Bosc Sr. in 1978. He is very active in the Niagara community, holding a wide range of positions, including:

- Vice-Chair of the Canadian Vintners Association (the Canadian wine industry's national trade association)
- Board of Directors, the Wine Council of Ontario
- Dean's Advisory Council for Brock University's Faculty of Business
- Board of Directors, Niagara Economic Development Corporation

Bosc has volunteered his time and resources in support of many local causes, including the St. Catharines General Hospital Foundation, the Niagara Wine Auction Foundation, Brock University and Niagara College, to name a few. He is also a past recipient of the Easter Seal Society of Ontario Distinguished Service Award (2001).

## Menorah's flame pierces... continues from page 1.

President Jack Lightstone, James O'Brien representing Brock University Students' Association, and St. Catharines Mayor Brian McMullen.

Chaplain George Addison, Campus Ministries, said he and others were delighted with the attendance at the event, which fell in the middle of exams.

"The ceremony added depth to our seasonal celebrations," he said, "and celebrates the multi-faith aspect of Brock."

Courante said winter's cold and darkness is broken by the ceremonial beam of light "and there is not a more appropriate and symbolic place for that than a place of study."

Dancing, music and an offering of food and drink followed the ceremony.

Hannukah celebrates the rededication of the Temple of Jerusalem after it was desecrated by the army of Antiochus IV and then later destroyed by the Babylonians and Romans. Although tremendously outnumbered, Jews revolted and fought for their religious freedom and rights, defeating their oppressors. After cleaning and restoring the temple, it was discovered that there was only enough oil to light the eternal flame for one day. In what is considered to be a miracle in the Jewish tradition, the flame remained lighted for eight days.

## Academic advisors' conference

Brock hosted the 2007 Ontario Academic Advisors' Conference on Nov. 30, with more than 140 advisors from academic institutions across the province. This was the first Ontario-wide conference in more than a decade. The theme for the event was "The Advisor's Role in Retention." Nearly every university and college in Ontario was represented at the conference where participants took in a series of workshops on a variety of topics. The keynote speaker was Charlie Nutt, Executive Director of the National Academic Advising Association. A number of members of the Brock community and facilitators from other institutions hosted the workshops throughout the day. The organizers of the event wish to thank all who helped to make this a very successful day for all involved.

## Another Grammy nomination for Klose

Heidi Klose has been here before, but she hopes this time turns out differently. For the second time, a song she has written is included on a Grammy-nominated album from polka artist John Gora.

Klose, Administrative Co-ordinator in the Department of History, wrote the lyrics to the song called "Hectic World," which appears on the album *Bulletproof Polkas* by John Gora and Gorale. The album was announced as a nominee in Field 17 for Best Polka Album on Dec. 6.

The album faces some tough competition in the category, as three-time Grammy winner and St. Catharines resident Walter Ostanek and multiple Grammy-winner Jimmy Sturr are also nominated.

This year marks the 50th anniversary for the awards gala, which will be held at the Staples Center in Los Angeles, Calif. on Feb. 10, 2008, and will air at 8 p.m. on CBS.

## 2008 University holidays

The University will be observing the following Statutory and Non-Statutory holidays in 2008, including the new provincial Family Day in February:

Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2008	New Year's Day	Statutory Holiday
The University opens for regular business on Wednesday, January 2, 2008.		

Monday, Feb. 18, 2008 & Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2008	Family Day  President's Holiday	Statutory Holiday  Non-Statutory University Holiday
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\*\* Please note that the non-statutory President's Holiday will be changed from Friday to Tuesday of Reading Week. In the event that operational needs require that an area be open on either Monday and/or Tuesday, substitute arrangements may be possible (similar to other holidays). Please contact HR/EHS to review these arrangements. \*\*

Friday, March 21, 2008	Good Friday	Statutory Holiday
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Monday, May 19, 2008	Victoria Day	Statutory Holiday
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Monday, June 30, 2008 & Tuesday, July 1, 2008	Canada Day	Non-Statutory University Holiday Statutory Holiday
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Monday, Aug. 4, 2008	Civic Holiday	Non-Statutory Holiday
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Monday, Sept. 1, 2008	Labour Day	Statutory Holiday
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Monday, Oct. 13, 2008	Thanksgiving Day	Statutory Holiday
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Commencing Wednesday, Dec. 24, 2008 at at 12 noon until regular University holidays opening on Friday, Jan. 2, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.	Christmas & New Year's Day & Holiday Period	3 Statutory Holidays  3.5 Non-Statutory
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Please note that depending on the operational needs of a Department/Division, it may require that the area be open during the above-mentioned days. In these cases and/or if there are any other questions, please contact Margo Carter in Human Resources and Environment, Health and Safety: mcarter@brocku.ca or ext. 3279.

An electronic copy of the holiday schedule may be found and printed from the HRNews Section or the Payroll Section (Holiday Information Subsection) of the Human Resources and Environment, Health and Safety Departmental webpage at [www.brocku.ca/hr](http://www.brocku.ca/hr)

## Brock Briefs

### MEd thesis defences

Barbara Harrison, Master of Education student, will present her thesis defence on Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2008 at 2 p.m. in WH 147. The title of the thesis is "Quality Time: Exploring Meaningful Mandatory Community Involvement Programs in Secondary Schools." External Examiner: Kim Meade, Brock University; Thesis Supervisor: Susan Drake; Committee Members: Jeanne Kentel and John Novak; Chair of the Examining Committee: Michael O'Sullivan. All are welcome to attend.

Christa Love, Master of Education student, will present her thesis defence on Thursday, Jan. 24, 2008 at 10 a.m. in WH 147. The title of the thesis is "Teaching Media Literacy Skills About Commercials: A Comparative Analysis of Media Literacy Instruction." External Examiner: Paul Nesbitt-Larking, University of Western Ontario; Thesis Supervisor: Joe Engemann; Committee Members: Vera Woloshyn and Nicholas Baxter-Moore; Chair of

the Examining Committee: Dolana Mogadime. All are welcome to attend.

### Lightstone to speak at philosophy lecture

President Jack Lightstone will be the guest lecturer at a session hosted by the Brock Philosophy Society and Campus Ministries in the new year. Lightstone will present a lecture entitled "The tension between the mosaic covenant and the Davidic promise in early Judaism (Two conceptions of history)" on Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the David S. Howes Theatre. The event is co-sponsored by the Dean of Humanities; the Humanities Research Institute; the Office of the Associate Vice-President, Student Services; and the Office of Alumni Relations. Admission is free, but tickets are required. Tickets are available at the Centre for the Arts box office, ext. 3257. A followup discussion is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 22 in the Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber.

## Classified

**For rent:** Three-bedroom, two-bathroom sabbatical house available from May to December 2008 in lovely heritage district of St Catharines. Call Maureen at 905-685-7462 for more information.

**For rent:** Small two-bedroom home. Four appliances, central air, gas furnace, garage, nice back yard. Centrally located and close to QEW. Available Jan. 15/08. \$800 per month plus utilities. (Rainbow friendly). Call Ketu evenings (5:30-9:30) and weekends at 905-871-1265.

## Mediatalk

People in the news

**Barry Grant**, Professor of Communications, Popular Culture and Film, was interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a Dec. 8 story, "Which way to turn on Golden Compass?" about the controversy surrounding the release of the film *The Golden Compass*, which some are saying promotes atheism. The article was also reprinted in the *St. Catharines Standard* (Dec. 8, "In film furor, educator prefers conversation over controversy").

**Lissa Paul**, Professor of Education and Associate Editor of *The Norton Anthology of Children's Literature*, was also interviewed by CanWest News Service for a Dec. 6 story about the release of *The Golden Compass*, entitled "No damsel in distress". The article was also published in the *Victoria Times-Colonist* (Dec. 7, "Golden Compass charts new territory") and *Vancouver Sun* (Dec. 8, "Compass has rare heroine in world of boy heroes").

**Elspeth Cameron**, Adjunct Professor in the Department of English Language and Literature and Canadian Studies, was interviewed by the *Ottawa Citizen* for a Dec. 6 story, "Bringing back The Girls", about the recent publication of her joint-biography of pioneering Canadian sculptresses Frances Loring and Florence Wyle, entitled "And Beauty Answers."

**Chaplin George Addison** from Campus Ministries at Brock was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Dec. 6 story, "Keeping faith as numbers dwindle", about church closures and the fall off in attendance affecting many mainstream religious denominations in Canada.

**David Siegel**, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, was interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a Dec. 6 story about whether or not citizens should be permitted to record public council meetings in response to a Fort Erie resident posting clips of town council on YouTube. The article, entitled "Mayor not ready for his closeup", was also reprinted in the *Welland Tribune* (Dec. 6, "To record, or not to record"). Siegel was also interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a Dec. 1 story about a proposed pay hike for Niagara Falls city councillors, "Do city councillors deserve a raise?"

**Garth Stevenson**, Professor of Political Science, was interviewed by a *Vancouver Sun* columnist for a story about Stephen Harper's performance during the latter half of Parliament's fall session. The Dec. 4 article, "Missteps start to mount for usually astute Harper", was also reprinted in the *Ottawa Citizen* (Dec. 6, "Harper takes popularity lessons from the Grinch"), and *Saskatoon Star Phoenix* (Dec. 6, "Harper's missteps begin to mount at wrong time").

**Larry Savage**, Assistant Professor of Labour Studies and Political Science, appeared as a guest pundit on the CTS program "On the Line with Christine Williams" on Dec. 4.

**Stephen Cheung**, Canada Research Chair in Environmental Ergonomics and Associate Professor of Physical Education and Kinesiology, was interviewed about his research on the effects of extreme temperatures on human physiology and performance on AM 610 CKTB's "Niagara at Noon" program on Dec. 4.

**Charles Burton**, Professor of Political Science, was interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review* for a Dec. 4 story about the challenges facing Canada's tourism industry in attracting tourists from China because of the arrest of one of the country's most wanted criminals in Niagara Falls in 2000. In the article, "Cracking the China market" Burton notes that the Lai (Changxing) case has been the "major sticking point" preventing China from granting Canada "approved destination status," a designation that would allow millions of Chinese travellers to come to Canada each year. The story was also published in the *Welland Tribune* (Dec. 4, "Chinese criminal main obstacle to tourism industry") and *St. Catharines Standard* (Dec. 4, "One man, one roadblock").

**Susan Arai**, Associate Professor of Community Health Sciences, was interviewed by the *Welland Tribune* for a Dec. 1 story, "Poverty looms large in Port", about the release of the regional report, "A Legacy of Poverty? Addressing Cycles of Poverty and the Impact on Child Health in Niagara."

**Sandra Micsinszki**, Practicum Coordinator in the Department of Nursing, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Dec. 1 story about the Emergency Trauma Training Day that students from the Department participated in on Nov. 30. The unique training initiative was organized in conjunction with the Niagara Health System's Emergency Department nursing staff and took place at St. Catharines General Hospital.

**Lewis Soroka**, Professor of Economics, was interviewed by *Business Niagara Magazine* for a story about Niagara's aging workforce and impending labour shortage. The article, entitled "Chronologically challenged" appears in the latest issue of the magazine.

**Cindy Dunne**, Director of Co-op Programs, was interviewed by *Niagara Life Magazine* for a story about professional work attire, entitled "Tie one on", which appears in the publication's holiday issue.

**Brad Clarke**, Off-Campus Housing Services Officer, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a Nov. 28 story about the University's involvement in the UNICEF Spread the Net campaign to combat malaria in Africa.

**David T. Brown**, Associate Professor of Tourism and Environment, was interviewed by the *Hamilton Spectator* for a story about the city's proposal to implement a one-container garbage limit, entitled "Bag limit costs nothing to start."



The Faculty of Humanities recently hosted their 2007 Awards Assembly recognizing student award winners and donors of awards in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. From left, Patrick Beard, donor; Thomas Benito Dimartino, first-year music student and winner of the Ruth and Horace Beard Award in Music, the Janet Murray MacKenzie Memorial Bursary and the Bertha and Bernard Harrison Living Legacy in Humanities Scholarship; David MacKenzie, donor; and Linda Beard, donor.



## Faculty and Staff

### CHEMISTRY

**Thomas Hudlicky** recently made the following presentations:

- "Biocatalytic total synthesis of morphine and amaryllidaceae alkaloids" at the University of Guelph and Queen's University, both in October 2007.
- "Checking out terpenes, alkaloids and enzymes: little did I know," a symposium in honor of R. Daniel Little's 60th birthday, University of California at Santa Barbara, October 2007.

Three of Hudlicky's students also participated at the Quebec Ontario Mini-Symposium of Biorganic and Organic Chemistry 2007, held at Université de Montréal, from Nov. 9 to 11:

**Bradford Sullivan** presented "Formal Enantiodivergent Synthesis of Balanol."

**Hannes Leisch** presented "Chemoenzymatic Total Synthesis of (+)-Codeine."

**Jonathan Collins** presented "Total Synthesis of 7-Deoxypancratistatin-1-carboxaldehyde and Carboxylic Acid via Solvent-free Intramolecular Aziridine Opening."

### CLASSICS

**Katharine T. von Stackelberg** was invited to speak at the Annual General Meeting of the St Catharines Horticultural Society on "Roman Gardens: A Journey from Past to Present", on Nov. 26.

### COMMUNICATIONS, POPULAR CULTURE AND FILM

**Derek Foster** delivered a paper titled "Understanding the Love Hotel: Sex and anthropology in modern-day Japan" on a panel on The Themed Space: Reflections on Culture and Materiality at the annual conference of the American Anthropological Association, held from Nov. 28 to Dec. 2 in Washington, D.C.

### DRAMATIC ARTS

**Virginia Reh** recently participated as a workshop leader for the Mother's Union (Niagara Diocese) Retreat at Crieff Hills. The event, entitled "Mirrors and Voice," explored strong women in the Bible (specifically the Hebrew Bible). The lives of Miriam and Deborah were particularly examined through participation in visual art and dramatic art workshops. Various parts of their stories were staged with role-playing and other activities.

### ESL SERVICES

**Jim Papple** recently presented "Exploring teaching metaphors between native and non-native ESL teachers" with co-presenter **Phoebe Kang** and "Engaging writing students with Turnitin.com" at the annual TESL Ontario conference, held in Toronto from Nov. 22 to 24.

### JAMES A. GIBSON LIBRARY

**Karen Bordonaro** recently gave a talk at the TESL Ontario Conference in Toronto on Nov. 24 entitled "Connecting University Libraries and ESL Students."

### MATHEMATICS

**Chantal Buteau** gave a presentation, entitled "Brock Students Learning Mathematics by Designing Learning Objects", in the monthly Fields Mathematics Education Forum that took place at the Fields Institute for Research in Mathematical Science, Toronto, on Nov. 24, 2007 at the thematic day "Learning Objects". Buteau showed original individual Brock student projects completed in the MICA courses (MATH 1P40, 2F40, 3F40) and that can be viewed on [www.brocku.ca/mathematics/studentprojects](http://www.brocku.ca/mathematics/studentprojects)

### ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOUR HUMAN RESOURCES ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND ETHICS

**Kojo Saffu** presented a paper titled "Women tourism venture owners: motivation, challenges and success factors" at the 30th Institute of Small Business and Entrepreneurship Conference in Glasgow, Scotland from Nov. 7 to 9.

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

**Ingrid Makus** presented a paper entitled "Nietzsche and Rousseau on Death and Pity" at a conference on "Challenging Cultures of Death: Mercy Not Sacrifice" held at Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland from Nov. 2 to 4.

**Ken Kernaghan** was recently appointed to the Advisory Committee to Canada's National Librarian and Archivist on the newly established LAC Forum on Canadian Democracy. As well, he was appointed to Advisory Committee to Canada's Auditor General on Human Resource Management Audit.

He also recently made the following presentations:

- "Making Connections in the Digital State; Consulting and Serving Citizens," at the Institute of Public Administration of Canada Annual Conference, held in September.
- Paper on "Putting Citizens First: Service Delivery and Integrated Public Governance," at the Conference on Public Administration In Transition, University of Guelph, Sept. 21.
- Inaugural address to seminar series on "Conversations with ...." Ontario Ministries of Education and Training, Universities and Colleges - "Public Service: Rediscovering the Value of an Essential Institution," Oct. 23.
- Presentation to Executive Committee of Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities on "Integrated Public Governance: The Service Delivery Dimension," Nov. 7.
- Keynote address at founding meeting of the Conference Board of Canada's new Centre for Public Sector Service Delivery, held Nov. 30. Presentation on "Integrated Public Governance: The Service Delivery Dimension."

### PRE-SERVICE EDUCATION, FACULTY OF EDUCATION

**Joyce Mgombelo** organized and chaired a mathematics education forum on *Learning Objects and Mathematics Education*, as part of the monthly Fields Mathematics Education Forum that took place at the Fields Institute for Research in Mathematical Science, Toronto, on Nov. 24, 2007. Mgombelo together with **Chantal Buteau** (Mathematics Department), Sarah Camilleri (Mathematics student), Kamel Fodil and Michele-Elise Lacroix (École Nouvel Horizon) and Ian Yacobucci (Pre-service student), were also invited at the same event to present *Fantasy Fractions Learning Object: A collaborative Project with École Nouvel Horizon Elementary School and Brock University*. Fantasy Fractions can be viewed at: [www.brocku.ca/mathematics/studentprojects](http://www.brocku.ca/mathematics/studentprojects)

**Debra McLaughlan** presented a paper titled "Teachers as TYA Audiences" at the American Society for Theatre Research in Phoenix, Ariz., on Nov. 16.

### RECREATION AND LEISURE STUDIES

**Garrett Hutson** recently presented the following papers:

- "Conducting a followup study on place meanings: Elaboration of P and Q," at the International Society for the Scientific Study of Subjectivity Annual Conference, held at the National Library of Science, Bethesda, Md. on Oct. 4.
- "Deep-spirit and Nature-emotion place connection among outdoor leaders: A Q-method inquiry," at the Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education Conference held in Asheville, N.C. on Nov. 5.

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## Events

**Centre for the Arts:** Brock University's 2007/2008 Professional Entertainment Season continues in January. All performances start at 7:30 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise stated.

Tickets are on sale at [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca) or through the Box Office at ext. 3257.

The Standard OrchEXTRA: Papa Duke with the Niagara Symphony, Jan. 10; The Comedy Lounge featuring Sean Cullen and hosted by Jon Dore, Jan. 17; Marc Jordan and Amy Sky, Jan. 19; The East Village Opera Company, Jan. 23; Rubberbandage: Elastic Perspective, Jan. 26 (David S. Howes Theatre); DK Ibomeka with Kellylee Evans, Jan. 30; DRUM!, Jan. 31; The Spirit of Harriet Tubman starring Leslie McCurdy, Feb. 19; Tommy Douglas: Arrows of Desire starring John Nolan, Feb. 20; Connie Kaldor with Eve Goldberg, Feb. 21; Black Umfolosi, Feb. 28; The Czech Boys Choir (Boni Pueri), Feb. 29.

**Brock University Film Society:** BUFS continues in 2008 season. Films are screened Sunday evenings in the David S. Howes Theatre, Brock University at 7 p.m. Memberships and tickets may be obtained at the door or from the Brock Centre for the Arts Box Office, Centre for the Arts, ext. 3257

- Jan. 6, *My Kid Could Paint That* (Amir Bar-Lev, USA, 2007, 82 min. PG). This captivating documentary raises complex questions about art, media, family, and the nature of documentary filmmaking itself. Screened to great acclaim at the 2007 Toronto International Film Festival.
- Jan. 13, *Control* (Anton Corbin, UK/USA/Australia/Japan, 2007, 121 min. 14A). An outstanding biopic on Ian Curtis (Sam Riley), the lead singer of the late '70s British band Joy Division. Based on a memoir by his wife, Deborah Curtis (Samantha Morton).
- Jan. 20, *Lars and Girl*, (Craig Gillespie, USA, 2007, 106 min. PG). Ryan Gosling (The Notebook, Half Nelson) gives a dazzling performance as an awkward young man with "issues." Life in a small midwestern town changes when Lars orders a full-sized doll complete with an elaborate back-story.
- Continuation of BUFS listing:
- Jan. 27, *Breakfast with Scot* (Laurie Lynd, Canada, 2007, 90 min. PG). A closeted former hockey player (Tom Cavanagh - TV's Ed, Scrubs) tries to straighten out a nephew (Noah Bernet), an expert knitter addicted to boas, makeup, and show tunes.

## 2008 Brock News Schedule

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