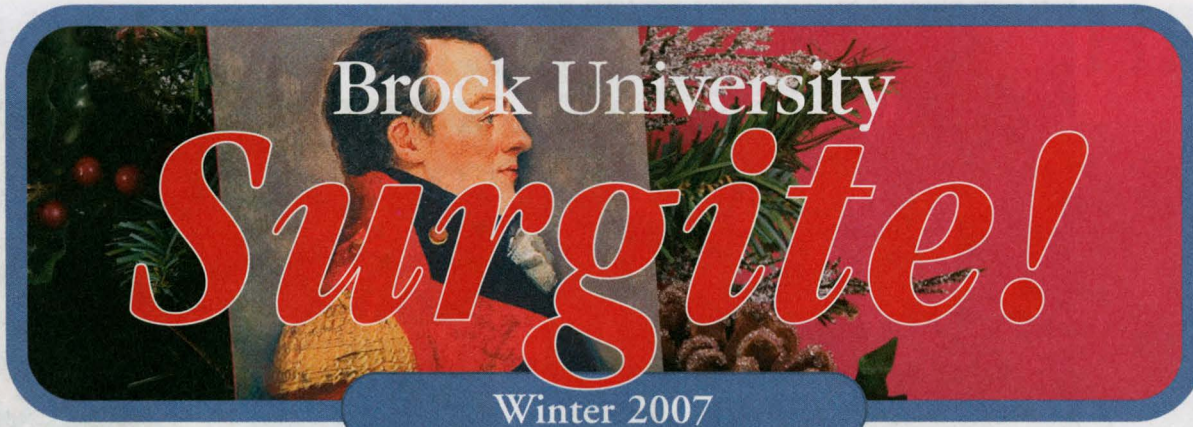




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# Lightstone installed as Brock's fifth President

In a ceremony rich in tradition, Dr. Jack N. Lightstone was installed as Brock University's fifth President and Vice-Chancellor on Oct. 20, the first day of Fall Convocation.

In the presence of his family, graduating students and their families, the Brock community, and dignitaries from the broader community, Lightstone officially accepted his new role. He took office on July 1 this year.

Calling it a momentous day in the evolution of the University, Chancellor Raymond Moriyama said during the ceremony that "Dr. Lightstone is the right president at the right time in the history of Brock."

On stage, Lightstone participated in a traditional ritual in which he was gowned in different robes to reflect his new position as President. His new robes — a gown made from aegean blue silk and trimmed with silver lace and worn with a round velvet cap with a silver tassel — replaced the robes he wore when he accepted his PhD in 1977 from Brown University in Rhode Island.

Following the re-gowning ceremony, Lightstone addressed the audience and focused on transitions faced by the University, graduating students, and society.

Speaking to students — 147 students received their master's and doctoral degrees and the remaining students received undergraduate degrees from the Faculty of Education — Lightstone recognized that they were at a pivotal



Dr. Jack N. Lightstone, newly installed as Brock's fifth President and Vice-Chancellor, congratulates graduates as they cross the Convocation stage.

stage in their lives.

"You are joining a privileged group of women and men with a higher education," he said. "That education will likely bring you personal advantage. However, know that your education also brings with it great responsibility for the betterment of society — economically, culturally and socially — in your home regions, in your nation, and in the

world."

The University, too, has a role to play in the betterment of society, he said.

The long-term future of any region in Canada is inextricably linked to its colleges and universities, working in partnership and in their respective spheres, he said. The nation and the region need populations with an increased proportion of women and

men with bachelor's degrees, and with many more persons with master's and doctoral degrees.

"Brock is poised to fully contribute to increasing the numbers of women and men with an undergraduate and a graduate education in a comprehensive array of disciplines," he said, "to producing cutting-edge research in an equally wide range of subject areas, to continue to internationalize its activities and its student body, and through all of this to serve the betterment of society and its region in novel and important ways."

Critical to the University's successful transition, he added, is the number of recently hired professors who account for about two-thirds of the faculty.

"Our hundreds of new professors represent our potential to do novel things as a university over the next 30 years, the average length of their careers. Realizing that potential in their pedagogy and research depends upon their professional development in the critically important first five to 10 years of their careers....So we must have a vision of what those careers can and should be, and be able to nurture, mentor and support them in this critical early stage."

The Fall Convocation ceremony on Oct. 21, in which 508 students received their degrees from Brock's remaining Faculties, also marked another transition — it was the final Convocation for Dr. Moriyama, who will be stepping down as Chancellor on March 31, 2007. He was installed as Brock's sixth Chancellor in June 2001.

During the ceremony, Dr. Moriyama was presented with a certificate of recognition in appreciation for his years of service at Brock.

The University is currently involved in a search process to find a successor for Dr. Moriyama, an internationally recognized architect who designed the recently opened Canadian War Museum in Ottawa.

## College presidents offer insights to Brock's new leader



Maureen Piercy

Brock graduate Maureen Piercy has a few words of collegial advice for Jack Lightstone, who was installed as Brock University's fifth President and Vice-Chancellor in the Fall

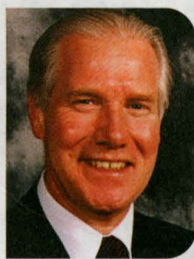
Convocation ceremony on Oct. 20. He took office on July 1, 2006.

"As one of the newer members of Ontario's university sector, Brock has a reputation for innovation and flexibility — in areas of study and delivery models," she says when asked for her insights. "I believe that is a tradition to be cherished and built upon."

Piercy (MEd,'90) is one of several Brock graduates who share a similar

profession as Lightstone: they head up post-secondary institutions in Canada.

Piercy was installed as president of Loyalist College of Applied Arts and Technology in Belleville in January 2005 and continues her studies through doctoral work at the University of Toronto (Ontario Institute for Studies in Education).



Paul Byrne

Paul Byrne (BA, soci/psyc, '75) is the 10-year president of Grant MacEwan College in Edmonton, Alta.

Byrne, who received his PhD in Educational Administration from the University

of Alberta, also has insights: "I would

encourage Dr. Lightstone to continue to focus on providing a quality learning environment that focuses on the needs of the learners."

Byrne and Piercy share different memories of Brock. Byrne says that "caring and talented faculty were engaging and available for consultation, and the small class sizes enabled me to get to know my fellow students and to interact with the professors." Piercy says that her experience as a part-time master's student "was a model for lifelong learning. Brock was one of the first Ontario universities to make full graduate programs available to working educators through off-campus delivery."

Piercy also remembers that Convocation "was a lovely ceremony which my family joined me to celebrate."

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## Computer breach update

Throughout our history, Brock University has been committed to the highest level of integrity with our computer and database operations.

The unauthorized access of the University's electronic files of alumni and friends, discovered on August 31, was a very serious and unfortunate occurrence both for the University and those whose information was breached.

We continue to work with the Niagara Regional Police (NRP) on their investigation into the breach. Significant steps were taken to notify all alumni with current contact information of the breach. As of the printing of *Surgite!*, NRP has seen no evidence of the information being used for illegal purposes.

Information Technology Services (ITS) took immediate measures to secure the system and are conducting an internal investigation with assistance from external IT security experts.

We truly regret this breach of our systems. The investigation, mitigation and notification measures will reduce the risk of any harm to those affected and the risk of future occurrences.

If you have questions or concerns, please leave a message on our hotline, at 1-888-281-9634, and we will return your call.

## Other Convocation highlights

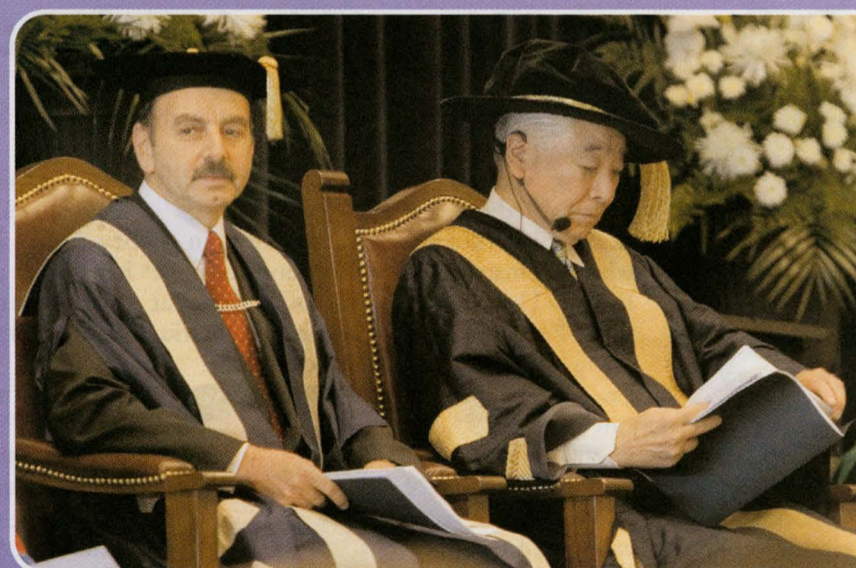
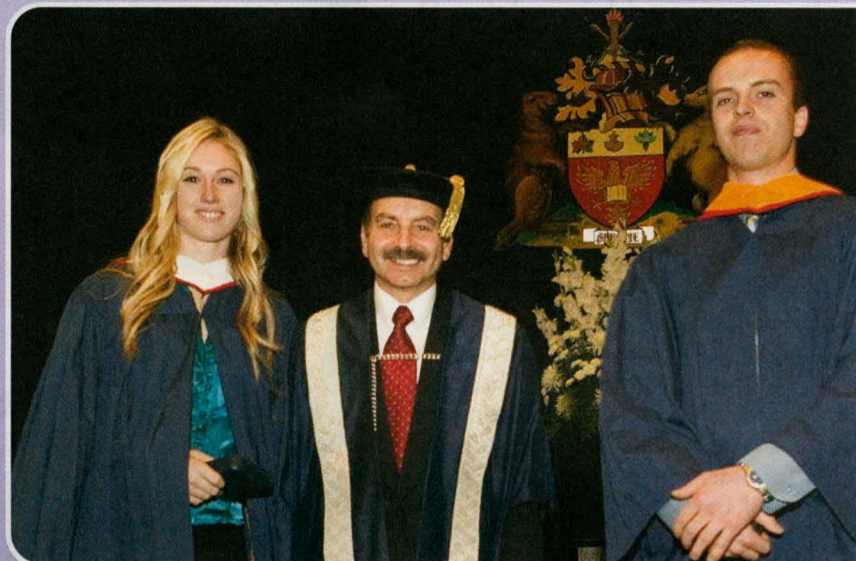
On Oct. 20 and 21, a total of 715 graduates received undergraduate, master's and doctoral degrees. They join the 55,245 alumni who have graduated since Brock opened its doors in 1964. Following are additional highlights:

- Professor Zopito Marini of the Department of Child and Youth Studies in the Faculty of Social Sciences, received the Brock University Award for Distinguished Teaching, the second major award for teaching excellence he has received from Brock this year. He also received the Faculty of Social Sciences Award for Excellence in Teaching at Spring 2006 Convocation.

- Professor Nota Klentrou from the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology and Professor John Hay from the Department of Community Health Sciences received 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.

- Julianne Tenhaaf and Thomas Farrar received the Governor General's Silver Medals, awarded to the top undergraduate students with the highest cumulative overall average for the academic year receiving their first honours degree.

- The institution conferred its first PhD in Chemistry on graduate student Kevin Finn. He has accepted a post-doctoral research position at Albert-Ludwigs Universität Freiburg in Germany beginning in January 2007.



### College presidents offer...continues from page 1

I recall the outdoor reception on a beautiful day, with renowned Canadian Karen Kain as our Convocation speaker."

Convocation ceremonies are also important to Byrne, for different reasons. He was unable to attend his own graduation ceremony at Brock, but as college president, "the convocation ceremony is the most rewarding aspect of my job," he said.

Piercy and Byrne also know that Brock's new President will face challenges in his new leadership role.

Piercy refers to chronic underfunding. "Despite many competing social and economic priorities, it is critical that the high level of investment continue in order to ensure the prosperity of our province and citizens," she says.

Byrne says the greatest challenge in

his working environment is "to ensure that MacEwan offers a quality learning environment that supports the needs of students and responds to the changing needs of the community we serve."

Byrne will also introduce Lightstone to Brock graduates in Edmonton on Nov. 16 as part of the President's Alumni Forum series. Please see page 5 in this issue of *Surgite!* for more information about the forums.



# New York banker named Distinguished Graduate by Faculty of Business

A Brock University graduate whose workplace symbol is a red umbrella has stepped onto the red carpet rolled out annually by the University's Faculty of Business.

Stephen Young, Managing Director of Accounting Policy, Citigroup's Corporate and Investment Bank (CIB), New York, N.Y., was awarded the 2006 Distinguished Graduate Award from the Faculty at a special reception held at the Four Points Sheraton on Oct. 12. The award recognizes a graduate who has earned prominence as a result of his or her exceptional professional achievements and service to society.

Young graduated from Brock at the top of his class in 1991 with a Bachelor of Accounting (Co-op) degree. He retained that No. 1 position when he received his Master of Accountancy degree in 1992 from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio. In 1997, he completed his PhD in Financial Economics, also from Case Western.

"My experience at Brock contributed significantly to my later successes. I am



Stephen Young and Dean Martin Kusy

honoured that the Faculty sees it as appropriate to grant me this award," said Young.

Martin Kusy, Dean, Faculty of Business at Brock, said "The Faculty of Business is indeed proud to name Stephen Young as our 2006 Distinguished Graduate. Stephen has

had an exceptional career and his outstanding success in the finance industry brings great honour to both the Faculty and the University."

Young maintains his ties to Brock. He recently returned to the University to work with the Faculty of Business and the Co-op Office to develop a relationship with the Citigroup Buffalo office.

Located at Citigroup's New York City office, Young is responsible for implementing and maintaining CIB's accounting policies; co-ordinating with and advising Citigroup's treasurers, CFO's transactors and their customers on structured finance and other accounting issues; and influencing the development of relevant accounting standards.

Citigroup Inc. is a pre-eminent financial services company, with about 200 million customer accounts in more than 100 countries. Its history dates back to the founding of Citibank in 1812, Bank Handlowy in 1870, Smith Barney in 1873, Banamex in 1884 and Salomon Brothers in 1910.

## New website launched

The Office of Alumni Relations has launched a new website designed to serve as a continuation of the Brock experience as it relates to graduates. It reflects Brock's commitment to give back to graduates and the community.

The new features of the site were designed by Courtois and Mather of St. Catharines to complement the alumni online community, Brockpeople.ca. The website features four information sections:

**Share** — Outlines the opportunities alumni have to share and participate through various alumni and University events.

**Learn** — Provides the tools and resources to learn about what's happening at Brock and with fellow graduates and how to maintain these relationships.

**Give** — Provides information on the impact that donations have on the University and its students as well as the ways to give back to maximize the tax advantages of charitable giving.

**Get back** — Communicates Brock's commitment to continue to give more to alumni well beyond the academic experience. This section details the entitlements, affinity programs, services and benefits available to any graduates who hold a degree or certificate from Brock.

Other features include helpful information and links on Life at Brock for graduates who are encouraging their sons and daughters and other family members and friends to consider Brock for their post-secondary education. Special event listings and alumni news will also be featured.

To access the site, please visit [www.brocku.ca/alumni](http://www.brocku.ca/alumni)

## Golf tournament raises about \$11,000

On Tuesday, Oct. 3, the Faculty of Business held its second annual golf tournament. More than 100 golfers enjoyed the outstanding hospitality of Angus Glen Golf Course — one of Canada's premier courses. Although the day started with a threat of rain, the skies soon turned sunny and the participants were treated to a beautiful, warm, summer-like day.

Expectations were exceeded with a tremendous turnout and the efforts of the many Brock Business students who volunteered their time, arriving at the course by 7:30 a.m., to ensure that everyone had a great day. Approximately \$11,000 was raised to assist Brock Business students as they represent Brock at various competitions

and conferences across Canada and around the world.

The tournament sponsors were Performance Mercedes-Benz, Hbc, Walker Industries, Château des Charmes, Credit Bureau Services Canada, Borden, Ladner, Gervais LLP, Durward, Jones, Barkwell & Company LLP and TD Bank Financial Group. RBC generously donated a new trophy for the tournament.

The winning team included Steven Pillar, David Howes, Harry Hatch and Patrick Little.

Tournament co-ordinators were James MacLellan (BAdmin '87), Anand Daté (BBA '96) and Susan LeBlanc and Professor Sharon Broderick acted as MC at the dinner.

## University appoints first Academic Integrity Officer

Brock University is pleased to announce the appointment of Troy Brooks (BA, comm/psyc, '00) as its first Academic Integrity Officer.

Brooks will be responsible for addressing the issues of student cheating and plagiarism and advancing academic integrity in workshops with faculty, teaching assistants and students. An academic integrity policy, which must be approved by Senate, is also being prepared.

"I am there as a support service and for clarification, to ensure that academic integrity guidelines are clear," said Brooks.

Kim Meade, Associate Vice-President, Student Services, said "academic integrity is a basic tenet of the University. Honesty, truth, fairness and responsibility are values we promote and what we expect of our students in general."

The appointment comes as a result of recommendations by the Academic

Integrity Task Force, which was formed in 2003 and included representatives of all facets of the Brock community. One of the fact-finding activities involved a 2004 survey of 3,660 students, faculty and teaching assistants about the prevalence of and attitude to academic cheating.

The results of the anonymous survey, submitted to the University Senate in February 2005, closely mirrored data from other North American campuses.

Safeguarding the reputation for high academic standards at Brock, which is a member of the Center for Academic Integrity at Duke University, is vital, said Brooks.

"Institutional reputation is highly important in academic circles. We promote positive values and high standards at the University," he said, "and we ensure that students who graduate from Brock have accomplished what their degrees indicate they have achieved."

## In Memoriam

### Professor René Eugene Victor Bismuth

Professor René Eugene Victor Bismuth (1918-2006), son of Victor and Camille Bismuth, passed away on July 23 at St. Paul's Hospital in Vancouver, B.C.

René had collapsed in May while visiting Seattle, subsequently surviving very difficult emergency surgery at the University of Washington Medical Center. Once stable enough, he was transferred to Vancouver, where he ultimately succumbed to pneumonia.

He is survived by his son Robert, daughter-in-law Cathi, granddaughter Esme and great-grandsons Casey and Dakota.

René left his native French Tunisia at the start of the Second World War to become a pilot in the Free French Forces. He was subsequently decorated several times and made an Officier de la Légion d'honneur for his bravery and unflinching heroism as a Halifax heavy bomber pilot while flying in the RAF. His last posting was to an airdrome in Wales where he met his beloved future wife Doris, his unflinching companion for the rest of his life.

As a university professor, René was widely recognized for his knowledge of languages and linguistics. Having lived all over the world, in 1965 he settled with his family in St. Catharines and became one of the earliest faculty members of Brock University.

Fluent in six languages, René was also an accomplished musician and a published poet. Over his lifetime he educated thousands of language students, published several books, served for many years as the President of the International Federation of French Professors and was made a commander of l'Ordre des Palmes Académiques by the French government — the highest possible recognition of his academic accomplishments.

At the age of 87, René was still active in his research and continued to receive invitations to speak at various academic events.

As per his request, René was laid to rest in Wales at the beginning of September. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that those so motivated make a donation to the Doris and René Bismuth Scholarship Fund for Modern Language Studies at Brock University. Donations can be directed to Brock University, Office of Development and Donor Relations.

### John Michielsen

On Sept. 29, 2006, Professor John Michielsen, Brock colleague in the former department of Germanic and Slavic Studies, passed away peacefully at his home in Montreal. He had just celebrated his 64th birthday.

In his scholarly career of more than 25 years at Brock University, John was an active teacher and researcher with acumen, clarity of thought and a finely honed sense of justice and fair play. His years of dedication to our community were reflected in his service as a Senator, his terms as Chair of Germanic and Slavic Studies and as Resident Director of the Freiburg Exchange Program on site in Germany. Not only did he contribute significantly to the field of Germanistik in his field of 19th-century literature (Theodor Storm and Fontane), he also embraced an acquired expertise in detective fiction (Jan van de Wetering). John was a founding member of the Canadian Association for the Advancement of Netherlandic Studies (CAANS). His learned contributions to the CAANS journal were balanced by his terms as president and as a member of the editorial board of the journal.

Professor Michielsen is survived by his wife, Dr. Trudy Michielsen, his children Emma, Dennis, Dan, and Dean, and his several grandchildren.



## 1975

**Ian Lowden** (BA, psyc) lives on Gabriola Island, B.C., and writes columns for the local paper. He operates a non-profit counselling program for the poor and is also writing the history of Gabriola. Ian has studied Zen for many years and has earned his Zen master standing. He would be glad to hear from any fellow graduates. You may contact him at [ian.lowden@shaw.ca](mailto:ian.lowden@shaw.ca)

## 1983

**Stephen Chin Ng** (BBE; BA, admi/econ, '84) is a certified management consultant based in Hong Kong for IT project management and software solutions selling in China.

## 1992

**Maurice Charbonneau** (MEd), principal of Denis Morris High School, has retired after 30 years in education.

## 1997

**Kathryn Hillier** (BSc, bchm) completed her PhD in the history and philosophy of science and medicine at the University of Sydney, Australia. She has accepted a position at the University of Sydney where she is working on a project investigating Australian involvement with chemical and biological weapons throughout the 20th century.

## 1999

**Meaghan Murta** (BA, csmc) has transferred to the Starwood Divisional Office in Singapore in the position of Manager Brand Loyalty & Partnership Marketing for the Asia Pacific Division. Her primary responsibilities include managing internal Starwood loyalty program (Starwood Preferred Guest) and leveraging the relationships between Starwood and the airline industry.

**Steven Urquhart** (BEd) and his wife **Wendy (Andrews) Urquhart** (BEd) have started their new positions in Lethbridge, Alta. Steven is the assistant professor of French at the University of Lethbridge and Wendy is a French consultant with Holy Spirit Catholic School.

## 2001

**Christopher Dekker** (BPhEd) has graduated from the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program at the State University of New York at Buffalo. He has accepted a physiotherapy position at Niagara Physical Therapy in Lewiston, N.Y.

## 2002

**Julie Hicks** (BRLS) is the new conservation education specialist for the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority.

**Matthew Lindsay** (BA, chsc) completed his chiropractic education in Bournemouth, England, and is working in a private practice in Scotland.

## 2005

**Bonar Bell** (BKIn) returned to Canada after spending five months working in the area of medical outreach with Youth With A Mission in the Philippines and New Zealand. He is attending a graduate studies program, International Project Management, and co-leading a volunteer initiative in Bulgaria. For more information, visit [www.brockpeople.ca](http://www.brockpeople.ca)

## 2006

**Jaclyn Couchman** (BScN) is currently working as a registered nurse at the St. Catharines General Hospital.

**Laura Douglas** (BA, psyn) has been selected out of hundreds of applicants to go to Roseau, Dominica, on a youth international internship for eight months where she will be working with REACH (Reaching Elderly Abandoned Citizens Housebound).

**Sarah Healy** (BBA) has accepted a position with TD Canada Trust in Toronto, Ont.

**Tara Matthews** (BA, dath) has started her career in theatre as apprentice stage manager at the Port Dover's Lighthouse Festival Theatre.

**Christina (Scott) Baird** (BA, csbc, '95), sons, Michael, April 3, 2004, and Benjamin, April 25, 2006.

**Jennifer (Kwasnik) Baird** (BA, hlst, '99), a daughter, Courtney Richelle, March 1, 2006.

**Arun Bhatia** (BAcc, '96) and **Crystal (Baldwin) Bhatia** (BAcc, '97), a daughter, Shanti, Jan. 9, 2006.

**Katherine Chaffe** (BSc, sced/biol; BEd, '04), a son, Carson Alan, Aug. 20, 2005.

**Douglas Coope** (BA, chld/psyc, '86; BEd, '89), a son, Benjamin, March 25, 2006.

**Neil Culp** (BA, psyc, '04; MBA, '06), a son, Owen, July 2, 2006.

**Jennifer (Frlan) DiDomenico** (BBA, '93), a daughter, Rachel, April 4, 2005.

**Franco Di Folco** (BSc, ench, '99), a daughter, Mia, May 28, 2006.

**Tina Handley** (BPhEd, '98), a son, Aiden Joshua, Feb. 1, 2006.

**Catherine (Worrall) Homeniuk** (BA, chld, '95), a daughter, Sarah, Sept. 21, 2005.

**Tamara (Matota) Irvin** (BSc, biol/envp, '99), a daughter, Csenia Emilia, April 27, 2006. Visit [www.brockpeople.ca](http://www.brockpeople.ca) for more information.

**Minhuey Khoo** (BBA, '98), a daughter, Caitlynn, May 24, 2006.

**Timothy Lacey** (BA, csbc, '00), a daughter, Madelynn, Jan. 17, 2006.

**Andrea (Palko) Larocque** (BA/BEd, '99) and **Mike Larocque** (BBA, '96), a daughter, Catherine Rose, Aug. 25, 2005.

**Andrew Lloyd** (BBE, '96), a son, Ewan, June 28, 2006.

**Heather (Paterson) Ma** (BA, chld, '96), a son, Peter, June 2, 2005.

**Stephen McKetsy** (BSM, '99) and **Robyn (McComb) McKetsy** (BRLS, '90), a daughter, Ashley, June 23, 2006.

**Karie-Ann (Freeman) Nafziger** (BA, chld, '94) and **Michael Nafziger** (BA, geoh, '93), a son, Isaak Alfred Irvin, Aug. 25, 2005.

**Anna (Mejлумova) Parsons** (MA, lesl, '05), a daughter, Ariel Eileen, March 2, 2006.

**Karen Pittens** (BAcc, '98), a daughter, Hayleigh Mae, July 31, 2005.

**Michael Pryzmant** (BA, admi/cosc, '95), a daughter, Melissa Janeen, May 3, 2006.

**Steven Urquhart** (BEd, '99) and **Wendy (Andrews) Urquhart** (BEd, '99), a son, Tristan, Oct. 15, 2005.

**April (Nelson) Wachel** (BSc, geop, '92) and **Philip Wachel** (BA, chld, '96), a daughter, Eva Grace, May 31, 2006.

## Marriages

**Michele Campbell** (BA, csmc, '01) and **Mike Pawlak**, Aug. 19, 2006. Visit [www.brockpeople.ca](http://www.brockpeople.ca) for more information.

**Gillian Witter** (BPhEd, '05) and **Daniel Lumsden**, Aug. 12, 2006. Visit [www.brockpeople.ca](http://www.brockpeople.ca) for more information.

## In Memoriam

**Rebecca Goertz** (BSc, btech, '00), Aug. 6, 2006.

**Lindsay Hay** (BA, chys, '04), Aug. 16, 2006.

**Dale Linton** (BA, geog/uest, '73), Sept. 30, 2000.

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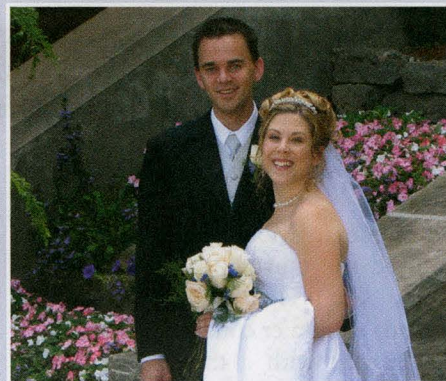
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James Fraser (BA, phil, '03) and Andrea Looy (BA/BEd, '03), married March 11, 2006.



Christy (Ellert) Richardson (BA, hist, '98; BEd, '99), and Adam Richardson (BSc, btech, '99) with son Joshua Adam, who was born on May 30, 2005.



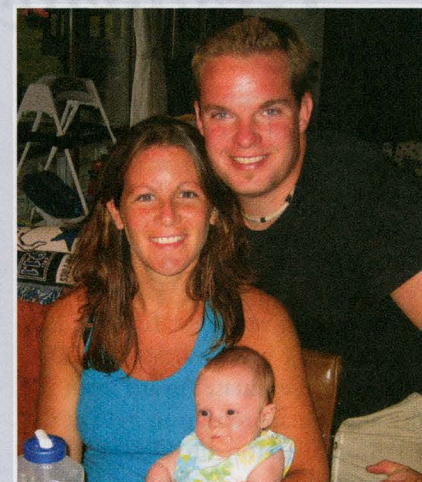
Stephanie Schott (BA, hist/Engl, '03; BEd, '04) and Andy Morris, married July 23, 2005.



Mandy Tonellato (BPhEd, '01; BEd, '03) and Dave Falardeau (BSc, geop, '01) married Aug. 12, 2006. Brock graduates in the wedding party were Mike Gordon (BA, Cana/hist, '00), Carla (Scocchia) Chininea (BA, Fren, '00), Colette Beaulieu (BPhEd/BEd, '02), and Justin Parapally (BSc/BEd, '98).



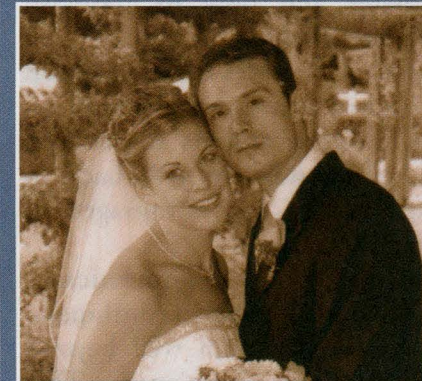
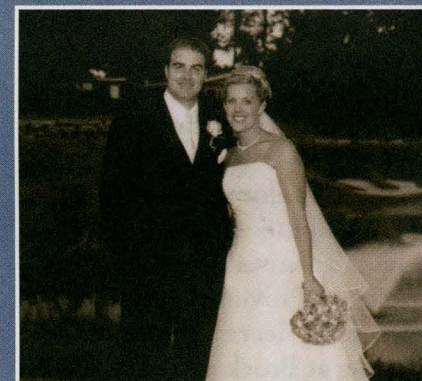
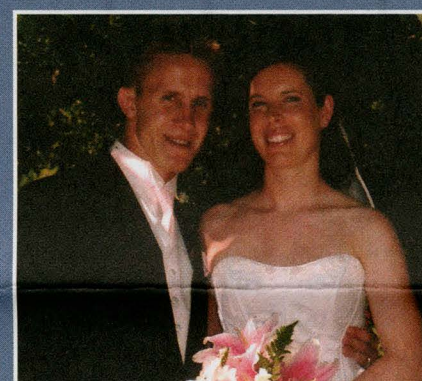
Dixon Edwards (BSc, geol, '72) married Barbara Martin on April 5, 2006, in a shipboard wedding out of San Francisco.



Amanda (Coles) Leeming (BA/BEd, '99) and Craig Leeming (BA, chys, '00), with daughter, Chelsea Elizabeth, born on May 9, 2006.



Brock Graduates attended Jayme Kirk and Adrian Cammaert's wedding on Aug. 16, 2006. From left to right are Susan Jones (BA, csmc, '03), Sabrina Gobbi (BA, licd, '03), Jayme Kirk (BA/BEd, '03), Adrian Cammaert (BA, geog, '03), Jennifer Stolz (BA, csmc, '03), Natalie Gardos (BA/BEd, '03).



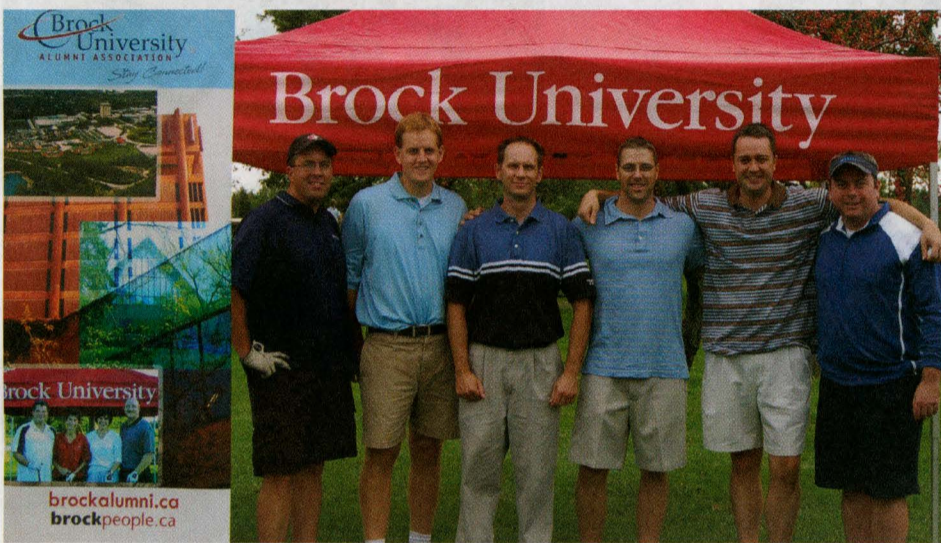
Brock graduates Julia (Noble) Pernal, Dianne (Head) Armstrong and Jennifer (Ward) Romualdi met in their first year, 1997, at Brock as they played on the University field hockey team. They played for four years and have remained great friends since. From top to bottom: James Pernal (BPhEd, '02) and Julia (Noble) Pernal (BPhEd, '01; BEd, '02) married July 2005; Matt Armstrong (BSM, '02) and Dianne (Head) Armstrong (BA, chys, '01) married Aug. 2005; and Jennifer (Ward) Romualdi (BPhEd, '01) and Rodney Romualdi married July 2004.

## Births





The Brock University Alumni Association Board of Directors gathers outside the historic Keefer Mansion after the Annual General Meeting on October 1. Pictured, from left to right, are: Back row: Cam Hathaway (BPHEd '80); David Betzner (BSc, cosc, '85), Toronto Network rep.; Bert VenderPerk (BAdmin '77); Marcie Lewis, Brock Student Ambassadors rep.; Rena Posteraro (BA, fren, '98, MEd, edad, '05); Middle row: Terry Cockerline (BA, comm, '97), Executive Director; Christine Jones, Director, Alumni Relations; Ashley O'Brien (BA, csbc, '06); Stephanie Sugamori (BBA, hmrs, '05); Front row: Brad Clarke (BA, child '00), Vice President Alumni Affairs; Richard Knabenschuh (BA, psyc, '90), President; Lynne Bubic (BA, psyc, '91), Vice-President Finance and Administration; Ruth Ellen Wilson (BSc, ersc, '95). Board members not pictured are Cynthia Roberts (BRLS '88); Scott Moore (BA, csbc, '01); Ildi Wiley (BA, soci, '92).



It was another banner year for the annual Alumni Golf Tournament, once more with an increase in graduate participation. Pictured are Steve Lunn (BBA, mgmt, '96), Mike Boucher (BAcc, '96), Rob Harris (BBA, admn, '97), Wayne Pender (BBA, admn, '96), Paul Habkirk (BBE, beco, '96) and Rob Cumming (BBE, beco, '97). The 2007 tournament will be held on Saturday, Sept. 15.

## Grads represent Brock at cross-country ceremonies

While the Brock community celebrated the installation of Dr. Jack N. Lightstone as President and Vice-Chancellor during a special ceremony on Friday, Oct. 20, other university campuses were also celebrating significant appointments. One university chancellor and three university presidents were installed this fall at universities across Canada, and a Brock graduate was in attendance to represent the University. The following graduates presented a citation offering best wishes on behalf of Brock:

Dr. Ian Beddis (BSc, math, '68), at the installation of Joanne Cuthbertson, chancellor, University of Calgary, on Sept. 19. Dr. Beddis is a Silver Badger, Distinguished Alumni Award recipient (2000) and recipient of an honorary degree from Brock (2004).

Natalie Cook Zywicki (BA, cssp, '91), at the installation of Stephen Toope, president and vice-chancellor, University of British Columbia, on Sept. 29. Cook is acting director, External Relations, at UBC.

Rev. Herbert Hilder (BA, hist, '75), at the installation of Donald Cozzetto, president and vice-chancellor, University of Northern British Columbia, on Oct. 28. Hilder is the minister at Cook's Presbyterian Church in Chilliwack, B.C.

William Bean (BPHEd, '79), at the installation of Kathryn E. Laurin,

president and vice-chancellor, Mount Saint Vincent University, on Oct. 22. Bean is the executive director of the QE II Foundation (Queen Elizabeth Health Centre) in Halifax.

Last year, other alumni represented the University to present a citation of congratulations. They are as follows:

Dr. Christopher Earle (BSc, biol, '75; MSc, biol, '80), at the installation of Harry Fernout, president, King's University College, on Sept. 24, 2005. Earle is a professor of Biology and Environmental Science, Concordia University College of Alberta.

Deborah Wallace (BPhEd, '97), at the installation of Brandt Louie, chancellor, Simon Fraser University, on Oct. 6, 2005. Wallace is president of The Finer Details, a special event management company in Vancouver.

Jeffrey Pfeifer (BA, psyc, '87), at the installation of Robert Hawkins, president and vice-chancellor, University of Regina, on Oct. 15, 2005. Pfeifer is the Saskatchewan Law Foundation Chair in Police Studies and professor of Psychology at the University of Regina, Sask.

Shelley Watson (BA, child, '97, MEd, '02) at the installation of Indira Samarasekera, president and vice-chancellor, University of Alberta, on Sept. 25, 2005. Watson is a researcher at the University of Alberta.

## Upcoming Alumni Association events



### Thirty from the Past Thirty Awards Gala - Saturday, March 3, 2007

The nominations are in and the final selections are underway. Be a part of an illustrious night celebrating the accomplishments of 30 Brock graduates and celebrating 30 years of an incorporated alumni association. The event takes place at the Quality Hotel and Parkway Convention Center. Tickets are available by calling the Centre for the Arts Box Office, 905-688-5550, ext. 3257. Everyone is welcome.

### The Brock Rock Curling Tournament — Saturday, March 31, 2007

Save this date for the annual Brock Rock Curling Bonspiel! This fun day of curling is for curlers of all experience levels. Perfect for non-curlers, but challenging enough for those with experience. Teams compete for prizes for "Best Dressed Team" and of course the coveted Brock Rock trophy! Register your team now by e-mailing [alumniassociation@brocku.ca](mailto:alumniassociation@brocku.ca) or calling 905-688-5550, ext. 4502.

### Renaissance at Rodman — Thursday April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 17

The Alumni Association's annual spring lecture series returns for another round of thought-provoking topics, from some of Brock's finest faculty members. Lectures run for five consecutive Thursday mornings at Rodman Hall from 10 a.m. to 11a.m. This year's schedule will be out early in the new year. Contact the Alumni Association for tickets.

### Volunteer Opportunities

If you are a Brock grad wanting to stay connected with Brock and your University friends, why not consider getting involved as an Alumni Association volunteer? There are a number of volunteer opportunities that range in responsibility from participating in focus groups, helping with Alumni Association events or sitting as a director on the alumni board. For more information on getting involved, contact Terry Cockerline, Executive Director, at [tcockerline@brocku.ca](mailto:tcockerline@brocku.ca) or call 688-5550, ext. 4502, or fill out the volunteer form online at [brockalumni.ca](http://brockalumni.ca)

## Brock's President to host President's Alumni Forums

The Office of Alumni Relations will gather graduates for a President's Alumni Forum creating an opportunity for Brock's new President, Dr. Jack N. Lightstone, to discuss the growth and change at Brock University and to share personal thoughts and respond to questions on the vision and future plans for Brock.

Mark your calendars with the one of the dates below and watch for your invitation or visit [Brockpeople.ca](http://Brockpeople.ca) for further details.

- Ottawa and surrounding area — Feb. 5, 2007
- Hamilton and surrounding areas — Feb. 13, 2007
- London and surrounding areas — March 26, 2007
- Kitchener/Waterloo and Guelph area — March 28, 2007
- Greater Toronto — April 25, 2007

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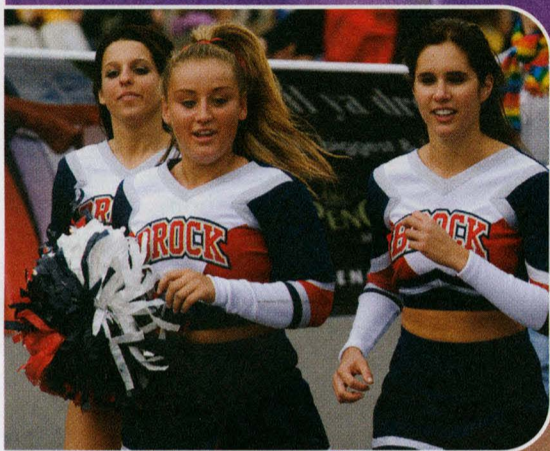
Kara Kelly (BA, poli, '98)



# BrockDays 2006



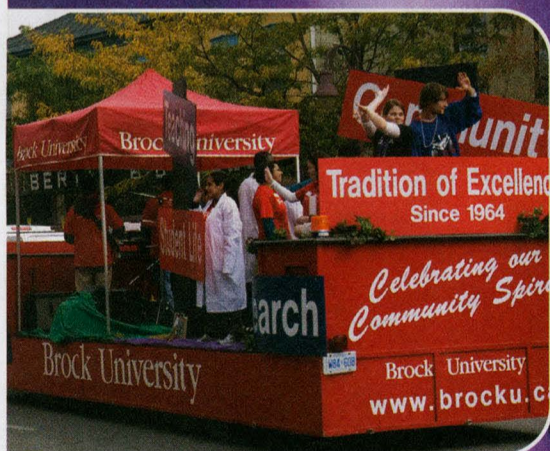
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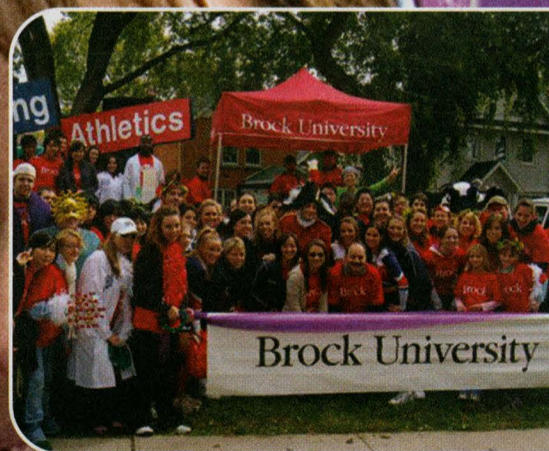
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1. Grade 12 program graduate Art Weibe (BSc, biol,'71) left, shares his memories of a special time at Brock with his fellow classmates Helen Gillespie (BA, Germ/hist,'71) and Garnet Ord (BSc, phys,'72).

2. Cheerleading Brock students were part of the University entry in the Niagara Wine Festival's Grande Parade.

3. A class photo kindled memories for Debbie (Geary) Hodgkinson (BPhEd,'77), Sheila Gayman (BPhEd,'78) and Sherry Altoft (BPhEd,'78) of their time at Brock.

4. The Brock University float was a crowd pleaser in the Niagara Wine Festival's Grande Parade.

5. Jubilee Courtyard was full of excitement for the Brock Days kickoff barbecue.

6. Students really got into the thick of it - stomping in celebration of Brock Days.

7. Youngsters from the Rosalind Blauer Centre for Child Care stomped up a storm.

8. Staff, faculty and students enjoyed the cool sounds of Lock 8 at the kickoff barbecue.

9. Brock University friends gather at Montebello Park in downtown St. Catharines during Brock Days.

10. Rob Power (BSc, oevi, '00), winemaker for Creekside Estates Winery in Jordan, Ont., participates in the Alumni Winemakers event in Montebello Park in St. Catharines.

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## Physics graduate recipient of NRC award

Brock graduate Garry Timco (BSc, phys, '73), recipient of the Governor General's Award for academic excellence, was recently presented with an Outstanding Achievement Award by the National Research Council (NRC) for his contributions to ice engineering.

Timco, who received his doctorate in geophysics in 1977 from the University of Western Ontario, is a Principal Research Officer at NRC and is group leader at the Canadian Hydraulics Centre of NRC.

NRC president Pierre Coulombe said the award was given for the "superior quality of research and the relevance of the problems that you (Timco) have both tackled and solved."

Timco has travelled extensively in the Arctic doing research on ice interaction with offshore drilling platforms and icebreaking vessels. Among other achievements, he has been published extensively, chaired several international committees and working groups, and was recently appointed editor of the *Journal of Cold Regions Science and Technology*.

# Brock grad explores the High Arctic

Brock graduate Marsha Grout (BEAED, '96) recently experienced the "trip of a lifetime" as she, her husband and friends participated in a recent Edutravel cruise to the High Arctic, hosted by Brock Chancellor Dr Raymond Moriyama.

Grout, along with 106 other travellers, flew north and boarded a former Russian science vessel turned cruise ship to explore the far reaches of Canada's North. Travellers had the opportunity to get up close and personal with polar bears, bearded seals, hundreds of beluga whales, musk ox, Arctic fox and a variety of bird life.

"The history of the north was something we lived and breathed each and every day," said Grout. The search for the North West Passage, the Franklin Expedition, the graves at



Marsha Grout kayaks during her adventure in the High Arctic.

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went way beyond our wildest hopes and expectations," she said. "It was visual, physical, emotional and an incredible amount of fun. I would say it was a trip of a lifetime; however, it has made me want more adventures. Travelling with Brock, on a trip organized by Quest, under the auspice of Peregrine meant we got it all, and then some."

Brock's Edutravel program offers unique trips that are available to faculty, staff, alumni and community

members. Trips planned for 2007 include Opera Italia, a Baltic cruise, great European cathedrals, Tanzania and Thailand and Hong Kong.

For information on these and other trips, please contact the Edutravel office at Brock University by calling 905-688-5550, ext. 5188 or visit the web at [www.brocku.ca/edutavel](http://www.brocku.ca/edutavel)

Beechey Island, the remains of Thule settlements and the visits with our Inuit citizens affected us most deeply. We could not help but have a profound awe and respect for the courage and skill of these earlier adventurers."

Grout said that she "absolutely hoped" the trip had changed her.

"I have not been able to get the High Arctic and this trip out of my mind. It

## CCOVI students uncork top honours

A prestigious \$14,000 Sensory Science Scholarship was awarded for the 2006-2007 academic year to support Martha Bajec (BSc, neur, '00), PhD candidate, in her studies and research here at the Cool Climate Oenology and viticulture Institute (CCOVI) at Brock University.

This scholarship is awarded in honor of the memory of Professor Rose Marie Pangborn, who initiated the scholarship fund to encourage the education of sensory scientists intending to pursue academic careers. This year, the award was supported by GlaxoSmithKline Consumer Healthcare.

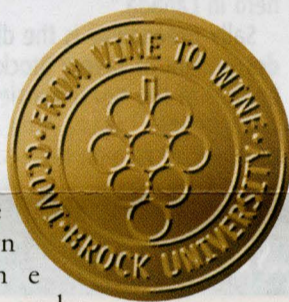
As well, three grape and wine studies graduate students took top honours at an American Society of Enology and Viticulture- Eastern Section Conference held in July in Rochester, N.Y.

Stephanie Martin (BSc, neur,

cbsilo@brocku.ca '00), a PhD candidate specializing in Ice wine fermentation under the supervision of Dr. Debbie Inglis, won the award for best student paper in oenology. Martin's paper focused on some of the results of her thesis project "Yeast Osmoadaptive Response during Icewine Fermentation."

"We are very pleased by the top-place showing of our graduate students at the conference this year," stated Dr. Isabelle Lesschaeve, director of CCOVI.

Jim Willwerth (OEV, '04), master's candidate, and Amy Bowen, PhD candidate, both under the supervision of Dr. Andy Reynolds, received \$1,000 US scholarships.



## Players inducted into Brock Baseball Hall of Fame

Former standouts Fabio Del Rio of Ottawa and Raul Borjas (BPhEd, '04) of Maracay, Venezuela, were inducted into the Brock Baseball Hall of Fame in September.

"It is a great honour to induct both Raul and Fabio into the Brock Baseball Hall of Fame," said head coach Jeff Lounsbury. "Both of them not only had great playing careers at Brock but were team leaders and have given back to the program."

Del Rio played for the Badgers from 1996-98, leading them to their first CIBA National title in 1998. In three seasons he received three major awards at Brock.

Borjas played for the Badgers from 1999-2003, leading them to an OUA title in 2002. He was awarded the Brock

top hitter award three times (1999, 2000, 2002) and team MVP in 2002. Borjas was the second Brock player to play professional with the Niagara Stars of the Canadian Baseball League in 2003 and in the summer of 2006, he led the Brantford Red Sox to the Intercounty Baseball League title.

Del Rio and Borjas join former Brock players Andrew Tinnish (BRLS, '99; BSM, '01), Matt Fletcher (BA, pols, '00), Grant Giffin (BPhEd, '00), Colin Tyler (BRLS, '98), Mark Cheeseman (BPhEd, '00), Chris Ebel (BA, hlst, '98) and Greg Arbour (BSM, '01) and builders Mike McRae (BA, psyc, '76), Mike Poelman, Jess Dixon (BSM, '99), Bob Davis and Randy Foster (BPhEd, '90) in the Brock Baseball Hall of Fame.

## Teachers learn to be "that child"

"I never felt so totally illiterate."

Unable to make sense of the written, spoken, or body language facing him, multilingual Professor Tony DiPetta (MEd, '93) couldn't even ask to use a washroom. He, along with nearly 100 others participating in an internship program in China, purposely put himself into this vulnerable position for the sake of learning.

The Faculty of Education offers the compelling and "life-altering" approach for teachers to earn their English as a Second Language (ESL) Part I, II and Specialist teacher qualifications.

This experience-based program is offered each summer for those who want to understand what it feels like to be that child — the child who is totally competent in his or her own language but is completely vulnerable in the classroom.

"You learn to appreciate the challenges that newcomers to Canada face through traditional ESL programs," says Don Dworet, Director, Centre for Continuing Teacher Training. "But you understand these challenges on a completely different level when you learn in an environment where you become that child: totally vulnerable."

The Brock program combines learning and pleasure. Students participate in workshops in advance of arriving in China in July. There are several days of sightseeing before heading to

host cities where accommodations are in local hotels (class meetings are often at night in the hotel dining room) or school residences. Participants teach English as a second language with a native instructor.

The cross-cultural learning between Canadian and Chinese teachers is truly enriching, and insights into Chinese culture and Chinese education are also gained from the experience. A Brock instructor member supervises each placement. Rounding out the program are tours and events within the host towns and opportunities to extend the stay and explore China further at the end of the course.

In addition to earning ESL Additional Qualification credits, Heather Rapp (BE, '06) learned to be far more flexible, even spontaneous, in her teaching.

"I couldn't anticipate how students would react," she said, so she learned to quickly change her approach to a subject to meet the learner's needs.

Another participant, Pauline Faubert-MacCabe, cites an unexpected benefit.

"I returned a better teacher because good second language teaching strategies translate into good teaching strategies for all students."

For more information on this and other additional qualifications programs for certified teachers, please visit [www.brocku.ca/continuing](http://www.brocku.ca/continuing)



## Graduate students have more than a million reasons to smile

Brock student Matthew Mulligan (BKin, '06) has been named the recipient of the prestigious Julie Payette-NSERC Research Scholarship, which is awarded to the 24 most outstanding master's degree applicants across Canada. The award is named in honour of Canadian astronaut Julie Payette.

Mulligan was one of 73 Brock graduate students who recently received a combined total of \$1,609,900 in national and provincial awards and scholarships in recognition of their academic excellence.

The awards are sponsored by the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC), the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC), the Ontario Graduate Scholarship Program (OGS), the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario, and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR). The value of awards ranges from \$15,000 to \$35,000 per year with some of the granting agencies renewing awards from two to four years.

"Our hats are off to these very fine students. In winning such prestigious external awards, they have been recognized as among Canada's very best young scholars," said Marilyn Rose, Dean of Graduate Studies at Brock.

She adds that Brock's success in competitions for external awards is a sign of the University's maturing Graduate Studies sector: "We are

attracting excellent students to our 33 graduate programs, and they are clearly prospering under the direction of our very committed graduate faculty."

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) is an arm's-length federal agency that promotes and supports university-based research and training in the social sciences and humanities. SSHRC offers Canada Graduate Scholarships (CGS) that provides financial support to the most outstanding eligible scholars pursuing master's or doctoral studies in a Canadian university.

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) postgraduate scholarships provide financial support to high-calibre scholars who are engaged in master's or doctoral programs in the natural sciences or engineering.

The Ontario Graduate Scholarship (OGS) program is designed to encourage excellence in graduate studies at the master's and doctoral levels. The recipients of an Ontario Graduate Scholarship must have maintained an overall average of at least 80 per cent on their last 10 full credits.

The Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario Master's Studentship Award is awarded to highly qualified candidates who have completed or are in the last year of a baccalaureate degree, and who have achieved a minimum of 80 per cent on course work in the last two years of study.

## Sir Isaac's descendants visit University



Sally Greenaway

Representatives of two families, separated by half a world but linked by one of Canada's most famous historical figures, connected at Brock University on July 31.

Sally Greenaway, great-great-great-great niece of Major General Sir Isaac Brock, after whom the University is named, met Rev. George Addison, whose great-great-great-great uncle, Rev. Robert Addison, performed the funeral services for the military leader who was felled by a musket ball on Oct. 13, 1812, during the Battle of Queenston Heights in the War of 1812.

Greenaway and her husband, Alan, who are from New Zealand, arranged to visit the University while on the Canadian leg of a lengthy expedition. Addison is one of the chaplains at Brock's Campus Ministries.

During the visit, the Greenaways also met with Jack L. Lightstone, President and Vice-Chancellor of the University, and shared with him a copy of the family tree, land deeds and a copy of a miniature portrait of Brock. The visitors were amazed to discover the original portrait in Special Collections and Archives in the James A. Gibson Library.

Lightstone commented that Niagara is steeped in War of 1812 history and added that Brock was the "first true blue war hero in Canada."

Sally Greenaway is the direct descendant of Savery Brock, younger brother of the never-married Isaac.

"Ever since I was a little girl, I have dreamed of coming to Canada and

exploring the connections with Sir Isaac Brock," said Sally Greenaway. "He put enormous energy into convincing people that Canada could be a country in its own right."

"Of all of the tributes to Isaac, I believe he would have been most honoured by having a university named after him. He placed a very high value on education."

Rev. Robert Addison, who was Isaac Brock's chaplain and the only (and first) Anglican minister in Niagara, performed the funeral service for Brock and his aide-de-camp, also killed in battle.

"I am directly descended from Robert Addison's brother, William," said Rev. George Addison. "So my position as chaplain at the University is ironically fitting."

An eyewitness account by Lieut G. Ridout remembered the funeral ceremony: "The burial was the grandest and most solemn I ever witnessed or that has been seen in Upper Canada. ... The whole distance between Government House and the Garrison ... was lined by a double row of militia and Indians resting upon their arms reversed. Mr. Addison read the service in a very impressive manner."

Robert Addison died in Niagara in 1829 and his bones were later interred in the wall of St. Mark's Church in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

There are conflicting reports that Brock's horse Alfred, after whom the campus building Alphonse's Trough is named, also died during the Battle of Queenston Heights. The University's motto is *Surgite!* (pronounced sur-gi-tay, Latin for Push On!), considered by many to be the general's last words.

## Two online Library resources available free to graduates

The James A. Gibson Library is pleased to announce free alumni access to two of its electronic resources: Project MUSE and Early Canadiana Online.

Project MUSE, an online collection of more than 250 journals in the arts, humanities and social sciences, is now available to Brock alumni. Articles in these journals cover diverse subject areas including literature, history, political science, economics, education, film, philosophy, religion and women's studies.

Early Canadiana Online provides the full text of Canadian historical documents from the first European contact to the late 19th century. Subject areas include history, literature, women's history, native studies and the history of French.

Graduates interested in accessing these resources should bring their alumni card (which may be obtained at the Office of Alumni Relations) to the Library's circulation desk for activation.

## Interlibrary loan annual fee waived for graduates

The James A. Gibson Library will no longer charge Brock graduates the \$50 annual fee for Interlibrary Loan/Document Delivery (ILL/DD) privileges. Charges from the lending library will still apply.

Reminder: Alumni are eligible to borrow up to 15 items from the open stacks of the James A. Gibson Library at no charge. The borrowing period is two weeks, with one renewal.

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