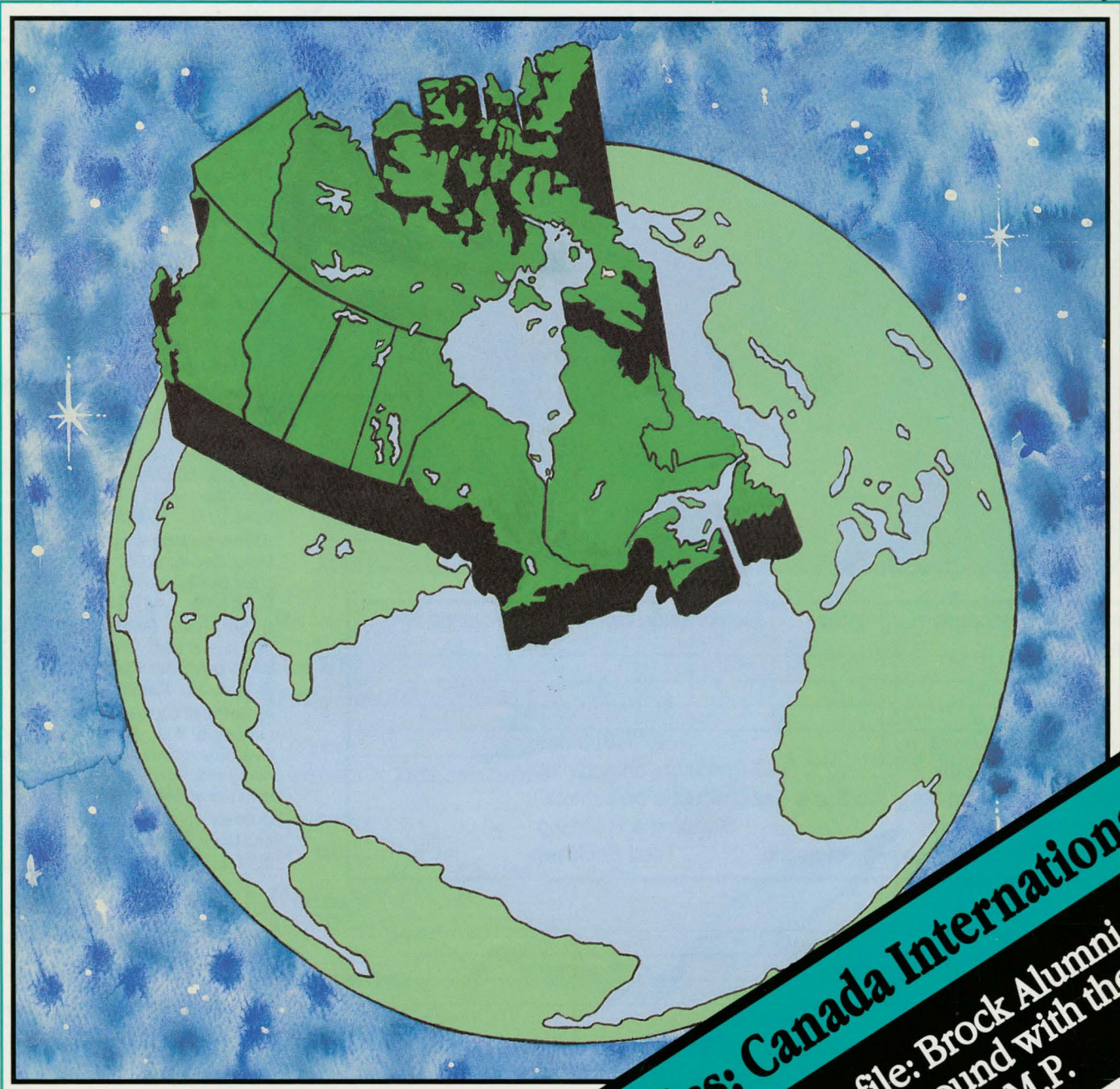


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## FORUM

# Status of Women – 20 Years Later

*The twentieth anniversary of the publication of the report of the Royal Commission on the Status of Women in Canada has been the occasion for considerable reflection by academics and activists. Has the status of women changed in Canada since 1970? And if so, how?*



Those of us involved in promoting changes for women since the resurgence of the women's movement in the late 60's find it hard to believe that improvements in women's position have not been significant. Indeed, we can point to the advancement of women in professions such as law and medicine, to pay equity and employment equity programs, and to an increased understanding of the fear and intimidation which women all too frequently experience in the home and on the streets. Women were successful in lobbying with others for equality sections in the Charter of Rights & Freedoms that can now be used to advance women's rights. Academic women can also point with some pride to the research they have spearheaded on women and their experiences which has led to the establishment of Women's Studies programs (Brock's Women's Studies Program begins in September). The understanding we now have about how all our behavior is mediated through gender is leading to the pursuit of very different strategies for change.

Yet we must still question how significantly women's status has improved. For instance, one of the most resistant areas of change is the labor force and, consequently, the economic security of women. After all, most women do not work in law, medicine or senior management. Employment opportunities continue to be highly segregated according to sex (how many male secretaries have you seen recently, or female plumbers?), women continue to earn less than men for comparable qualifications and work experience, and women still face barriers to career advancement. With high rates of divorce and increasing longevity, women now face greater dependence on their own earnings than in the past, quite apart from questions of fairness and equity.

It is increasingly difficult for most families to live on one income; but we haven't resolved how women are to have fair job access and compensation, and at the same time continue to bear primary responsibility for the care of young children and domestic chores. For women still perform most of the unpaid domestic work. Studies of Canadians' use of time show that, on average, the time men spend on household tasks and child care is increasing by only a few minutes per decade.

When the Royal Commission's report was published, most Canadians were shocked by the evidence of discrimination against women. Undoubtedly, we were naive in thinking that simply documenting the problem would lead to acceptable solutions. That naivete sprang from a number of sources. At one level we had only begun to explore why women's lives were so different from men's; without a thorough understanding of why things were (and are) the way they were, it is very difficult to change them significantly. On another level, we had yet to develop policies and programs to promote the changes we sought, a very complex task because in many areas women are

asking that new approaches be adopted as the traditional methods proved inadequate. Pay and employment equity programs, for example, are now part of our employment strategies because dependence on individual initiative by the employee or employer had resulted in very little change.

We have also had to convince politicians and policy-makers that our issues must be supported in the face of competing demands for tax dollars. Nor have women been unified in the changes they were seeking; it has not been clear who was speaking on behalf of Canadian women. Thus politicians could safely give lower priority to many of the issues feminists raised. The precarious funding for battered women's shelters and the continuing day-care crisis are eloquent testimony to where some women's issues rank on the political agenda.

Perhaps one of the important legacies of the past 20 years has been the increased political sophistication of women in pursuing the changes they seek. Virtually all action by women in the late 60's and early 70's was taken from outside the governing structures of the country, but this is no longer so overwhelmingly the case. While women are under-represented as elected politicians, there are more than in the past, and women are very involved in policy councils of all the parties. Women have, therefore, more options for promoting change today.

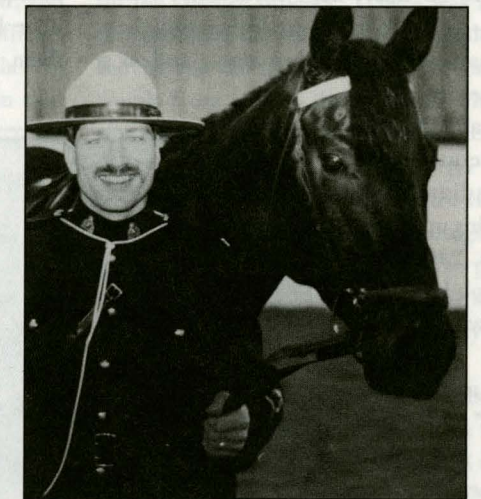
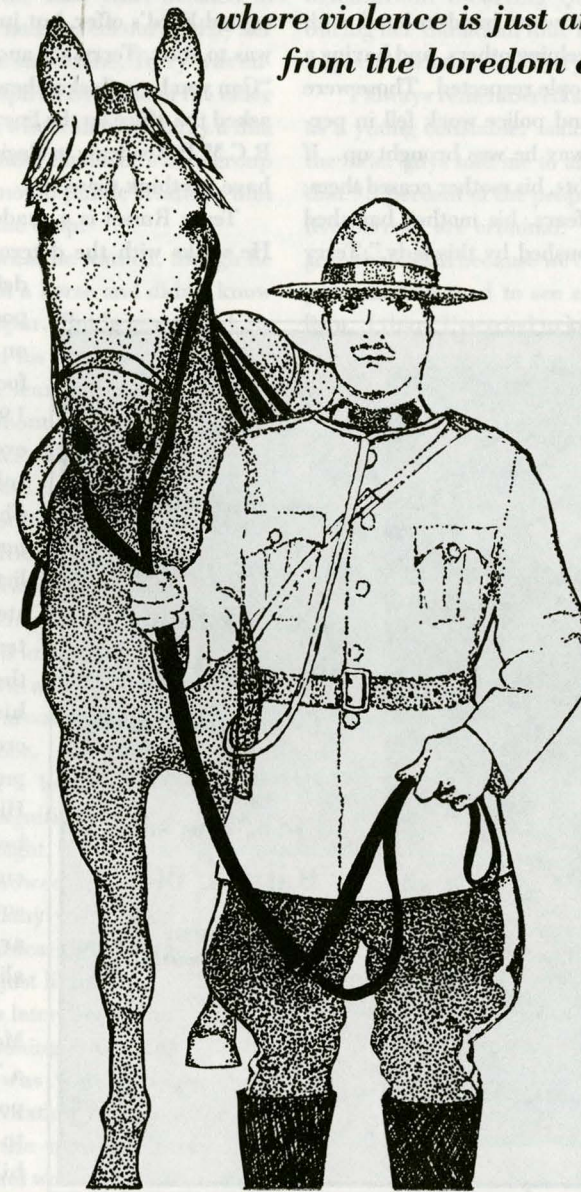
So what can we conclude? Women have advanced in the past 20 years, but not as far or as fast as it might seem. The need for further research and political activity is unquestionable if, in the words of the Royal Commission, "there should be equality of opportunity to share the responsibilities to society as well as its privileges and prerogatives."

*Susan Clark is Vice President, Academic at Brock University.*

BY SUSAN CLARK

## Duty Bound

*The call came into R.C.M.P. detachment headquarters around midnight. Domestic disturbance .... a drunken brawl in the part of North Vancouver where violence is just another diversion from the boredom of the night.*



Terry Russel

You had to get used to this kind of call, and the kinds of human ills that provoked them, if you wanted to keep your sanity and have a long career in police work. Constable Terry Russel had enough experience with the underbelly of life—from assault to theft to murder—to understand this. But somehow he was never really prepared for the indignities human beings inflict on each other.

That night, when he opened the apartment door to investigate the call, he saw a

woman on her hands and knees, crawling towards him. There was blood in her hair, blood on her face. She grabbed Terry's leg and just held on saying, "thank God, thank God," over and over.

"A few feet away was this tough guy, her boyfriend or husband, just standing there," said Russel. "He'd beaten her up pretty badly. This 'man'—what he'd done was in direct conflict with my morals and I wanted to make him pay then and there. But I had

to remain impartial, had to maintain my professionalism.

"One of the hardest things to do is to go into a situation with your adrenalin pumped, and then shut it down, act rationally. Physically, it's hard. Mentally, it's stressful," he explains. "But it's what we have to do."

The bonds of duty. Terry Russel accepted them with pride and with honor. If his role as an officer of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police meant a certain degree of impartiality, or subduing his emotions to get the job done, then Terry Russel would learn how to do that, and learn it well.

It was that same commitment and drive that would serve Terry well when he set his sights on joining the force's famed Musical Ride, despite the fact that he had never before ridden a horse in his life. It was that same sense of duty and practicality that kept his perspective on track, whether investigating a violent disturbance in Vancouver or keeping guard duty during last summer's riots in Oka, Quebec.

BY KATHRYN KORCHOK WAKULICH



## Duty Bound (cont.)

Terry never shied away from responsibility. In fact, he thrived on it. In the home where Terry grew up, hard work and responsibility was the family code.

Born and raised in St. Catharines, Terry and his older brother Gary were average Canadian kids who followed the usual route of small-town life—high school, football, part-time jobs (except Terry, who always had to be busy, kept three after-school jobs—at a garage, where he learned about mechanics, in a butcher shop, and as a cleaner in a pool hall) and the usual expectations of Canadian kids growing up in good times. “After high school I thought the world would beat down my door and give me a job,” he said. “But that didn’t happen.”

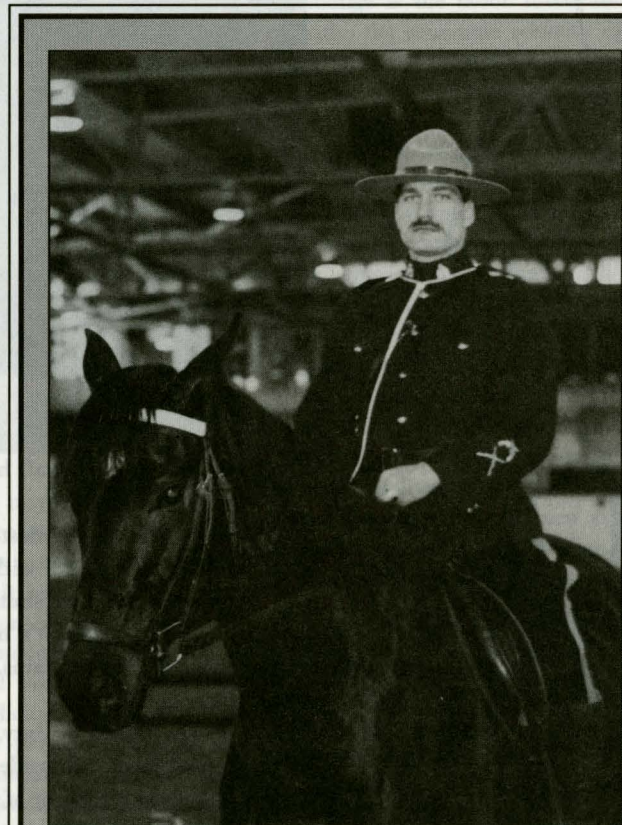
He became a laborer at the Port Weller Dry Docks and knew right away he was in the wrong place. His father always hoped one of his boys would go to university and do even better than he had done. Terry would fulfill that dream, along with his own.

Terry had always enjoyed his law classes in high school, and decided to pursue that interest, along with business courses, at Brock University. He was a good student and worked hard for his grades. During the summers, Terry worked just as hard in the local General Motors factory to earn his tuition.

It was at Brock where Terry discovered and nurtured his real love—the law. He wanted most of all to be a police officer, and had spent hours discussing this career with Chief Roberts, the head of campus police

and a retired R.C.M.P. officer, and Michael Terpack, another member of the campus police force.

The Russels had taught their children that a good life went hand-in-hand with working hard, helping others, and having a career which people respected. Those were Terry’s goals, and police work fell in perfectly with the way he was brought up. If he had any doubts, his mother erased them; if he had any fears, his mother banished them. “I was pushed by this lady,” Terry



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said. “She always told me I had five fingers on every hand, just like everyone else. And if everyone else can do it, I could succeed too. No excuses.”

So when Terry graduated in 1985 with a B.A. in business administration and politics, he not only applied for jobs at General Motors and Ford (so as not to close any doors), he also submitted his application to the Ontario Provincial Police and several regional police forces across the province. And he applied to the R.C.M.P.

When Ford called him with a job offer, Terry struggled with the decision. The law enforcement field was a tough one to enter, and his chance might not come. He accepted Ford’s offer, but just before his job was to start, Terry got another phone call. “Can you be in Saskatchewan in a month?” asked the office on the line, calling from the R.C.M.P. Academy in Regina. Terry didn’t have to think twice.

Terry Russel is a shade under six feet. He walks with the determined vigor of a defensive end, the position he played on his high school football team. His 190 pounds are evenly weighted, a solid and sturdy physique. Terry’s hazel eyes fix on a listener, a gaze as steady and as intense as his thoughts. He wears his dark hair cropped short, his mustache trimmed. His jaw might have been drawn and cut with a T-square, the angles are so perfectly aligned.

It is the face of a Mountie chosen for a Tourism Ontario poster, the face able to stare down a biker with intimidating coolness, the face that shines with pride—pride in the traditions behind the red serge he wears, and pride in the country that has given this son of immigrants such a chance, such a life.

Terry graduated from the R.C.M.P. Academy in May of 1987, on a Tuesday. That Friday, Terry and his fiancée Faye (Crerer, of Niagara Falls, a 1987 Brock graduate), were married. The newlyweds spent their honeymoon driving from St. Catharines to Vancouver.

The two kept each other sane through the rough initiation of a new career, new city, new life. Faye worked at a hospital laboratory for the first year, decided to study optometry and was encouraged by her husband. At the same time, Terry was encouraged and inspired by some of the older Mounties, one of whom showed Terry a film of the Musical Ride, the force’s elite group of riders, a top-notch public relations unit—the cream of the crop.

Terry knew what he wanted, though he had never ridden a horse and didn’t know a saddle from a spur. But he started taking riding lessons on his own, started hanging around stables, learning everything he could about feeding and caring for horses, about stable management, about riding. Three years later, he got his big break.

The Musical Ride was touring, scheduled to appear in Vancouver. The sergeant in charge of stabling the outfit was transferred just before their arrival and Terry was the only person around with any stabling experience. He got the job and turned a local hockey arena into a magnificent stable practically overnight. “When the touring unit showed up, they asked me how many years I had been with the Musical Ride,” said Terry. “My face just lit up.”

Several weeks later, Terry and Faye were vacationing in California. A letter was waiting when they returned—an invitation to try out for the Ride. It was the moment Terry had dreamed about and worked towards for the past three years. Now it was time to put his money where his mouth was. “I had the chance to be part of a national symbol, and it was suddenly inconceivable to me,” said Terry. “It was the biggest challenge I’d gone after in my life.”

The year of Terry’s tryout, over 400 applications to the Ride were screened and pared down to 24. After a nine-week trial in Ottawa, there were 15 candidates left. Terry was among them. In April, 1990, the successful candidates embarked on an intensive, six-month training program—

riding, deportment, choreography, arms display. In Ottawa, “hill duty” for assignments on Parliament Hill were part of the orientation: escorting Queen Elizabeth during her Canadian tour last summer was a special moment for Terry.

“I always remembered some advice I got as a young constable,” said Terry. One of the older guys told me to always remember that 95 percent of the people are good, and five percent are criminal. A lot of officers get a thick skin because we deal with the five per cent and tend to see everyone in that light. I think I’ve tried to keep my perspective and to remember the 95.

“A lot of the time though, we took our riot helmets off and walked the line in forge caps (soft hats) and just talked to the people and listened to their complaints. They weren’t very different from you or me. They were just put into this situation.”

“I strive for that—you have to keep sane. The R.C.M.P. expects so much out of their people, and I’ve seen lives destroyed because of that. I’ve seen guys go through divorce, or kill themselves. That’s why you have to keep everything in perspective

“The Ride has really helped. To be five feet from the Queen of England is so powerful. Suddenly, you don’t have the burdens you had before and once again you’re seeing the 95 percent, the good people you haven’t seen for awhile.”

Even his duty last summer let Terry see the 95 percent more clearly than the five percent. For two weeks he was stationed at Chateauguay, Quebec, where his unit was sent to maintain peace and order. Terry also

did a week-long tour at Regis Reserve, near Cornwall, Ontario, where the Mounties manned checkpoints at the U.S.-Canadian border.

At Chateauguay, the Quebec police had their barricades, the native Canadians theirs. The Mounties’ job was to maintain the line between the barricades, separating the townspeople from the natives, and back up the Quebec officers. “There was never any problems between the townspeople and the natives, but there seemed to be younger people from outside the situation, with no stake in either side, who became crowd agitators,” said Terry. “I’d never seen molotov cocktails thrown, or ball bearings from slingshots, until then. One night the police had to use tear gas, and seeing that in the air made everything look like a war zone.

“The strange thing was that people brought their kids there in strollers, or they’d pull up in their cars eating ice cream cones and watching molotov cocktails being thrown at the police and watching the police toss tear gas. I couldn’t understand that; it became a real spectator sport.

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This was to be the year Terry would tour with the Musical Ride. The Ride was cancelled when Canada joined the Allied Forces in the war against Iraq, and Terry was called to embassy duty in Ottawa. Faye continues to study optometry at the University of Waterloo, where she is in her third year.

As usual, Terry takes the re-assignment in stride. He once explained his devotion to this career, though demanding and challenging, and how much he loved it. It still holds true. “If the lifeblood of the force didn’t run through my veins, I wouldn’t be there. But it does. And I’m ready and willing to make the sacrifices.”

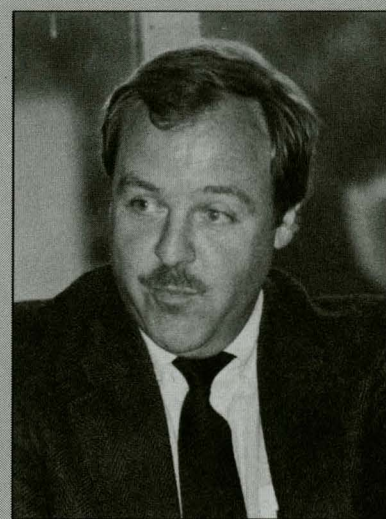


## COVER

# Canada's future in the international arena

*As part of the celebrations surrounding the 25th anniversary of Brock University's Politics Department, a series of lectures and discussions is being held on the subject of Canadian Politics: Past, Present and Future. Last November, a forum was held to launch the series. One of the participants was Brock alumnus Dan Livermore, who discussed Canada's situation from an international perspective. Surgite! presents highlights of his presentation.*

**D**an Livermore received a degree in History and Politics from Brock in 1969, then went on to complete a Masters in History at Carleton University and a Ph.D. at Queens University. Since 1975, Dr. Livermore has held various positions with the Department of External Affairs and is currently Minister-Counsellor for Political Affairs and Head of the Political Section of the Canadian Embassy in Washington, D.C.



Dan Livermore

**Canada has led a relatively sheltered life as a nation. We are finally facing the cruel reality of an adulthood in a very difficult world. The easy years of almost unquestioned economic growth are now behind us, and the security issues inherent in a more diffuse world are now impinging on us in the Gulf and elsewhere.**

"Canada is an international player. Our participation in the Economic Summit, NATO, the OAS, the Commonwealth, Francophonie, the UN, as well as the strong links we have with a number of key bilateral partners, gives us a foreign policy reach which is unique in the world. Without pretensions of global aspirations and without an imperial past, we have become a global figure with global interests. Forty-five years ago Canadian policy was anchored in North America and Europe. To a considerable extent, commerce, immigration, security, political relations, indeed all the elements of the young country's external affairs, were essentially subsumed under the doctrine of Atlanticism and all that word implied.

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and the security issues inherent in a more diffuse world are now impinging on us in the Gulf and elsewhere. Asserting our role in Europe is more difficult as our easy access based on historic ties fades. The international environment will also be more difficult in the years ahead. Economic competition will intensify and there will be difficult choices over how to deploy limited financial resources. Western countries in general will be able to rely less upon the willingness of the United States to defend collective interests.

The future will belong to those countries able to build consensus about what type of country they want to be, what interests they want to promote and how they intend to promote them. If we want a role in Europe, we will have to argue the case in terms of


interest, not in terms of our record in two world wars. If we are serious about security commitments, we will need to demonstrate both the capacity and the willingness to involve ourselves in security issues, including the deployment of Canadian forces in potentially controversial circumstances within or perhaps beyond the range of the United Nations. If we intend to build upon foreign trade we will need to make hard choices about the multilateral rules of the game. We need at least that minimal level of consensus in Canada if we expect a better future. We're in for a shock if we believe that our old partners are interested in our problems, and we deceive ourselves if we believe American friendship will cushion us from the worst of the bad news ahead.

Canada has to carve out its own national consensus while we have the luxury of time. We need as a start to increase the awareness among Canadians of the importance of the international arena. We will need to frame certain of our domestic policies to make the most of international opportunities. Forging a consensus also means equipping Canadians to get on with the international job which lies ahead. It means a more significant commitment to research and development, broader marketing strategies for international activities beyond the U.S. market and a long term commitment to teaching Canadians languages in addition to French.

The consensus I am advocating goes beyond the technical issues of education, language and awareness. Like it or not, the communications revolution will make attitudes and image an issue in international relations. Those countries capable of projecting a strong, confident image, who have the ability to define themselves before the international community, or are able to place an identifiable stamp on their policies, will be the successful countries who see their views carry weight. It should be our goal to ensure that Canada is one of those countries.

To accomplish this we need a fundamental rededication of our national energy, and we need to overcome our perpetual inferiority complex - the product, it seems to me, of an unduly prolonged adolescence. We have to focus on our national strengths rather than moan about our frailties (our problems pale in comparison with other parts of the world). Canada has infinite strengths as a country; we have an equally infinite capacity to project a strong, confident foreign policy. We have the potential to build on our past and present foundations.

Such a policy requires effort and long term commitment. It requires more than bureaucratic planning; it means securing a broad consensus of Canadians who have an interest in the international arena, and the commitment to devote energies and ideas to carrying their view forward.

This is the future of Canadian foreign policy - if we have the vision, the will, and the capacity to make it happen." 

## The Great Outdoors

Brock Recreation and Outing Club (B.R.O.C.) was founded in January 1988 to bring Brock alumni and their friends together to enjoy good company and great outdoors. All ages are welcome.

The club has organized skiing, canoeing, camping and other trips and with an annual membership of only \$10, today has over 150 members. If you would like to join, or would like more information, please contact Membership Chairman, Dr. Lorne Stobbs, 186 Cushman Road, No. 80, St. Catharines, Ontario L2M 6Z2. New members will receive a list of coming events and our current newsletter. Do it! You'll meet interesting people and see more of Canada's beauty.



One such upcoming B.R.O.C. event will be held on August 30 - September 2 (Labor Day Weekend). Everyone (members and non-members) is invited to White Pine Island, Lake Kawagama (near Dorset). The island contains private beaches, one hundred canoes, war canoes and kayaks, and some sail boats (as well as instruction in canoe and kayak-use), cabins and private rooms, dining hall, fireplace and chef-cooked meals. Access is by water taxi.

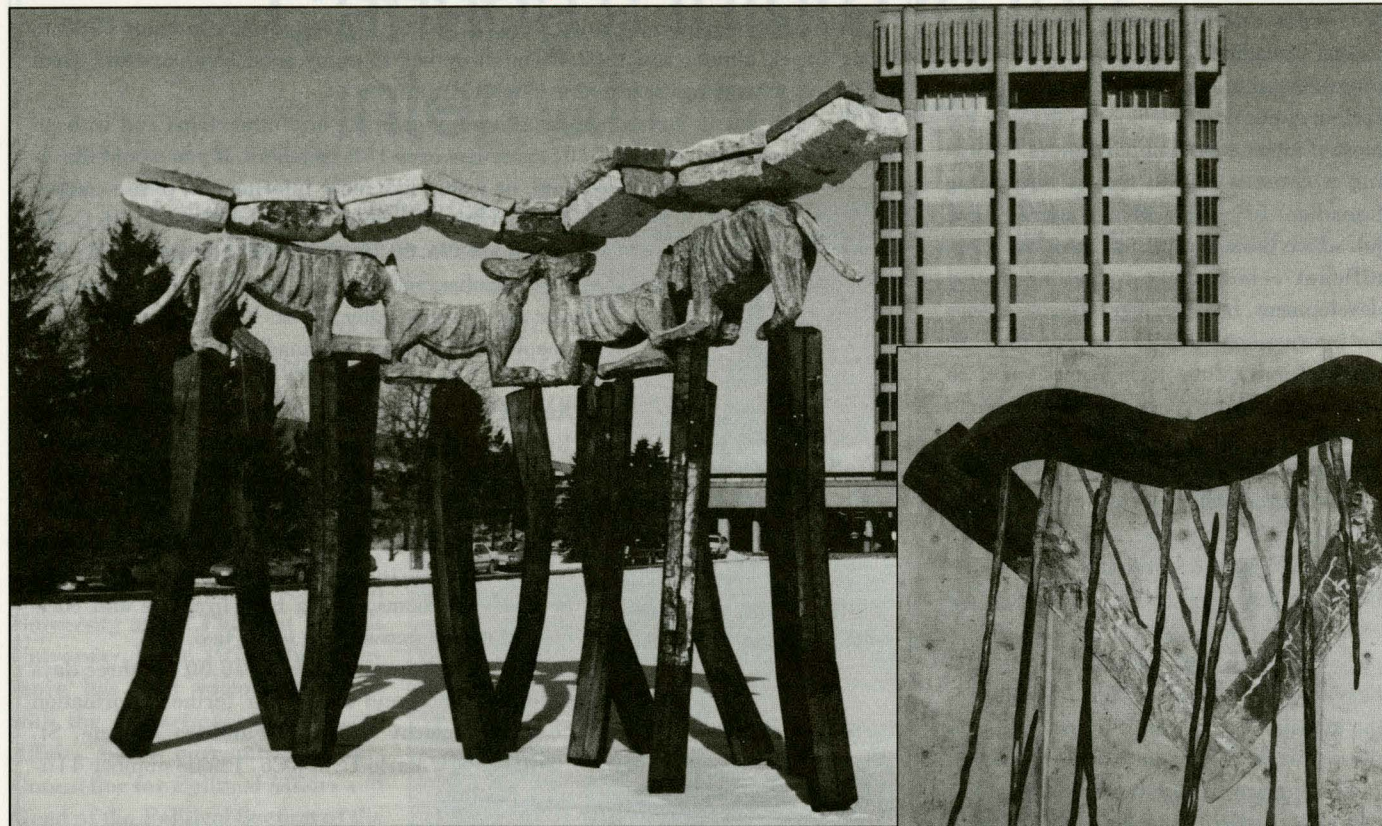
The cost? Approximately \$100.00 for three days accommodation and meals. For further information contact Dorothy Witte, 3 Famingo Avenue, St. Catharines, Ontario L2M 3C6. Phone number 416-935-7600.

## Alumni Events

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| <b>May 4</b>            | Saturday: Brock University<br>Student Centre Campaign Donor Recognition Event<br>(by invitation only) 7:30 pm   |
| <b>May 11</b>           | Saturday: Brock University<br>Alumni Pub Night at ISAACS in the new<br>Student Centre 8 pm - 1 am   |
| <b>June 13</b>          | Thursday: Toronto<br>Pub night at Porkers Stern 5:30 pm to midnight   |
| <b>August</b>           | To be scheduled: Toronto<br>An evening at the Skydome to see the Toronto Blue Jays  |
| <b>September 28</b>     | Saturday: Grape & Wine Festival Weekend<br>An evening at the Shaw Festival in Niagara-On-The-Lake   |
| <b>November 1&amp;2</b> | Friday and Saturday<br>Homecoming Weekend: Brock University<br>Friday - Dan Hill in concert - Brock Centre for the Arts<br>Saturday - Pat Hewitt - in the pub |
| <b>December</b>         | To be scheduled<br>Christmas at Casa Loma, tour and reception: Toronto<br>Christmas at Dundurn Castle, tour and reception: Hamilton                           |



# New Sculptures Reviewed



Above: Path of Possibilities

Right: Bleeding Harp

Students in Professor Viki Soady's Classics 3F20 class were asked to critique the new sculptures on campus—"Path of Possibilities" and "Bleeding Harp," by Israeli sculptor Ilan Averbuch. Two of the essays from the class—briefly excerpted here—offer some insight into these contemporary works of art.

Like the sculptors of ancient times, Averbuch is telling us a story, laying out a path we can follow to complete his narration. If one takes the artist at his word, the title "Path of Possibilities" literally suggests the existence of a number of possible interpretations.

The unity of the sculpture with its well-defined balance and proportions suggest an architectural structure. Perhaps it is a Greek temple. The timber could be read as

columns supporting frieze-work which celebrates the glory of the hunt.

Has Averbuch created a visual equivalent of Maslow's theory of the hierarchy of human motivations—the trees and animals representing the physiological needs of safety and hunger which must be met before man can climb onto the elevated path which leads to the psychological goal of self-actualization? If the latter interpretation is correct, Averbuch's pleasure with, and the appropriateness of, a university setting as an exhibition site is easily understandable.

—Dawn Fisher

"Bleeding Harp" is a wall-mounted sculpture of wood and metal by contemporary Israeli sculptor Ilan Averbuch. Its setting near the Theatre is most fitting, since one theme of Averbuch's work would seem to be the power of art to transform and give meaning to human experience.

His "harp" is mounted on the wall, as the ancient Israelites hung up their harps in the days of their captivity in Babylon. "How shall I sing the Lord's song in a strange

land?" laments the Psalmist. No longer viable as a musical instrument, the harp is silenced—an object of curiosity rather than a bearer of culture.

Uniquely personified among musical instruments, harps have been so identified with the shamanistic magic of the poet/bard that legends say they sing of their own accord, and grant them prophetic powers. It is not surprising that Averbuch's harp, as the title of his piece indicates, has metamorphosed into the human heart whose shape it so resembles. We say that something "tugs at our heart-strings"—so why should a harp not bleed? This harp cannot contain the burden of its humanity. Under the pressure of its knowledge of human joy and sorrow, the heart/harp has burst. Its strings, much patched, have snapped. Without the transforming imagination, Averbuch seems to say, human history is as crude and meaningless as a bleeding heart nailed to a wall.

—Fiona McMurran

# The Battle for Lake Erie

Robert Malcomson (BA Psych '75; MEd '80)

and his brother Thomas (Honors BA Psych '80) are the authors of the recently released book, *HMS Detroit. The Battle for Lake Erie. Surgite!* asked Brock University's resident War of 1812 expert, Prof. Wesley Turner of the Faculty of History, to review this work.

Celebrated in song, story, paintings, medals, monuments and commemorative events, the Battle of Lake Erie has never been allowed to fade from memory in the United States. This naval battle lasted not quite four hours, engaged only fifteen vessels (six British, nine American) and took place on the smallest of the Great Lakes, yet articles and books continue to be published in the interests of both popular and scholarly readers. For Americans there is the heroic, clean-cut Master Commandant Oliver Hazard Perry, whose report after the battle began strikingly: "We have met the enemy, and they are ours...." The enemy in this case was a British squadron, totally defeated and captured, at a time when British naval supremacy on the world's oceans seemed unassailable. This victory was also one of the few bright moments for the United States forces in a war that had seen defeat after defeat of American armies (often by numerically smaller opposing armies) and bitter divisions within American society.

There are other reasons why this naval clash has escaped oblivion. One is that it changed the direction of the war in the region surrounding Lake Erie. Bolstered by the security of naval control of that lake, an American army advanced to win at Moraviantown (near London, Ontario) and to seize southwestern Upper Canada (Ontario) with the ultimate consequence that Indian resistance to the westward movement of American pioneers was suppressed. A great deal of humiliation was thus undone.

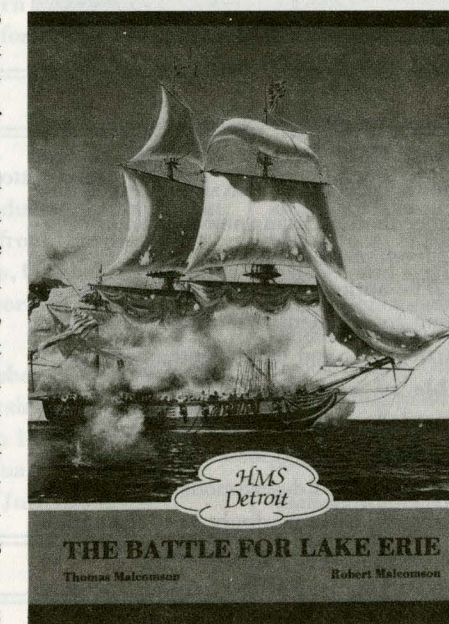
As well, the story is simple and complete: a short, sharp clash on sun-dappled water with no doubt as to who won

and who lost. There was the reckless heroism of war as Perry transferred from his battered flagship to his second large brig, making the journey in an open boat at the height of the battle. He emerged unscathed but his unfortunate opponent, Commander Robert Barclay, was terribly wounded. However, Perry displayed an untypical sense of chivalry in war by afterwards treating Barclay with compassion and arranging his speedy return to Canadian territory.

"September the tenth, full well I ween,  
In eighteen hundred and thirteen,  
The weather mild, the sky serene,  
Commanded by bold Perry,  
Our saucy fleet at anchor lay  
In safety, moor'd at Put-in-Bay;  
'Twi'x sunrise and the break of day,  
The British fleet  
We chanced to meet;  
Our admiral thought he would them greet  
With a welcome on Lake Erie."

—Old Song

(B. J. Lossing, *The Pictorial Field-Book of the War of 1812*. N. Y., 1869, p. 518)



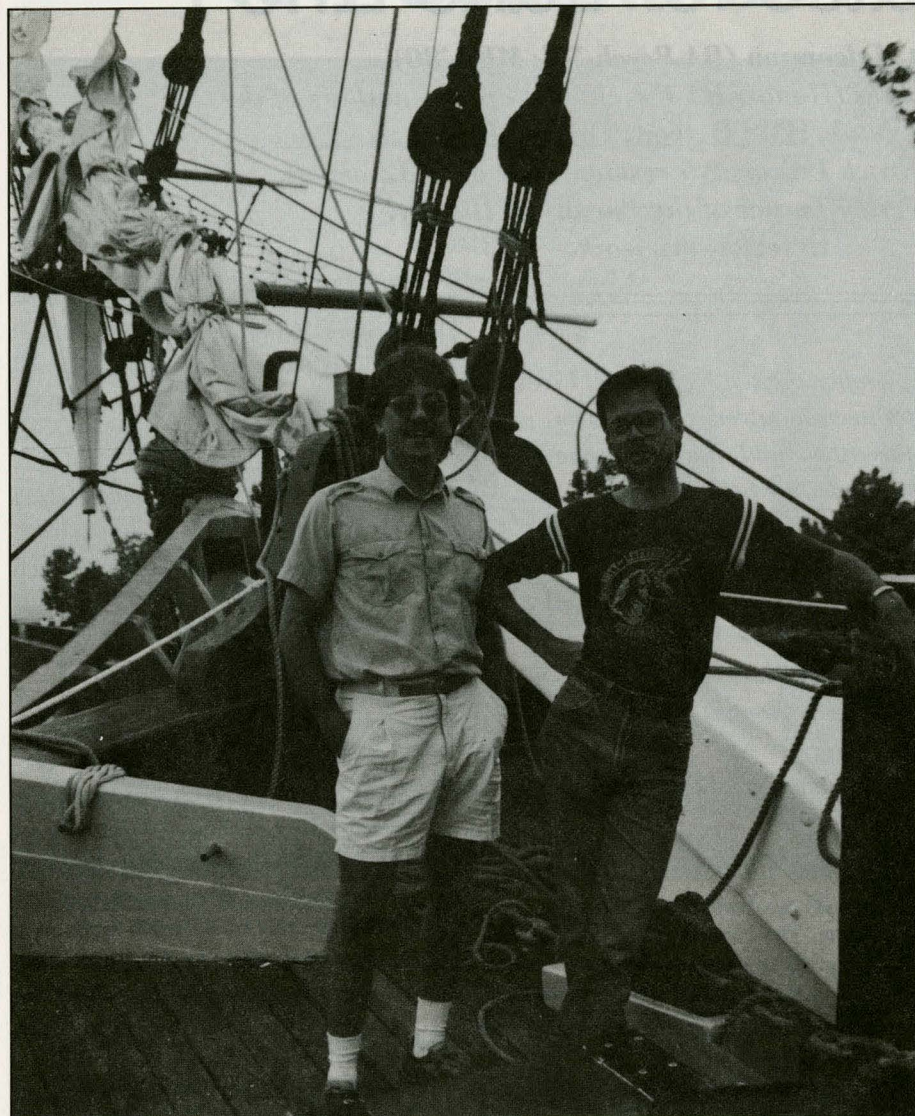
They learned about a project in Canada to build HMS Detroit, flagship of the British squadron. From their interest in this undertaking, which they hope will lead to a "re-creation of HMS Detroit... moored at Amherstburg someday," they began to investigate the battle of Lake Erie. Robert and Thomas Malcomson, two experienced and skillful writers, determined to set this event in its wider context of "the fight for control of Lake Ontario... how the American supply train underlay Perry's success,[and]... how military command decisions determined the effectiveness of naval operations."

While seeking to present "a balanced account of the men, the ships and the events involved in the battle of Lake Erie," they want to bring more attention than in previous accounts to the men and ships of the British squadron. They

BY W.B. TURNER



## The Battle (cont.)



Bob (left) and Tom Malcomson on board the HMS Bounty in 1989

devote the greater part of six chapters (out of eleven) to the British side of the war, the efforts to control Lakes Ontario and Erie, and Commander Barclay's little fleet. Master Commandant Perry is given one chapter and American preparations are touched on in four other chapters. The battle occupies one chapter and the final two discuss the aftermath for officers, men and ships of both sides.

The book explains with admirable clarity the difficulties that both sides faced in building fleets on Lake Erie, the more serious weaknesses in Barclay's squadron, and the events of the battle on 10 September 1813. Readers need not be familiar with sailing vessels, for the text is supple-

mented by clear diagrams, maps and pictures. *HMS Detroit* ... adds to our knowledge of the British side of this conflict rather than breaking new ground or offering fresh insights.

The authors add immediacy to this account by frequently quoting the words of participants and other contemporaries. A table of casualties—135 killed and wounded on the British side, 123 on the American—suggest losses on a small scale, but a couple of descriptions of the battle's aftermath leave no doubt as to the appalling human suffering it inflicted. Jesse Eliot, an American officer, wrote: "I went on board the *Detroit*, to take possession, and such was the quantity of blood on the deck,

that in crossing it, my feet slipped from under me, and I fell; my clothing becoming completely saturated and covered with gore!" Assistant Surgeon Usher Parsons described conditions on board the *American Lawrence*: "The battle was won and he [Perry] was safe, but the deck was slippery with blood, and strewn with the bodies of twenty officers and men, some of whom had set at table with us at our last meal, and the ship resounded everywhere with the groans of the wounded."

**"I went on board the *Detroit*, to take possession, and such was the quantity of blood on the deck, that in crossing it, my feet slipped from under me, and I fell; my clothing becoming completely saturated and covered with gore!"**

Historians of the war continue to see the battle of Lake Erie as significant to the wider course of the conflict, a judgement which this specialized study supports. It falls just short of being the definitive account because of gaps in the treatment of Daniel Dobbins, Isaac Chauncey, Perry's later career and the omission of references to manuscript material on Perry and Chauncey. Curiously, Henry Eckford's name has been changed to Charles. These few flaws do not seriously detract from a well-researched and skillfully-written account of a small naval battle that had widespread consequences.

Handsomely produced by the local publishing firm of Vanwell, *HMS Detroit* should be of interest to the general reader as well as to students of war.

**HMS Detroit. The Battle for Lake Erie** is published in St. Catharines by Vanwell Publishing Ltd.

### 1970

**Valerie (Beard) Patterson** (BA, Hist) now has her own business dispensing hearing aids (with the able assistance of husband Wayne, and the tolerance of their three sons). This is a far cry from the history teacher she had planned to be!

### 1973

**Linda (Korneev) Johnston** (BA, Fren/Germ; DIPLD, '74) is the owner of her own theatrical company, 'Murders Made to Measure', in Niagara-On-The-Lake. Linda acts, produces, writes, and directs.

### 1974

**Dorothee Marie (Hewko) Komangapik** (BA, Psych) is a Community Adult Educator for Iqaluit and also co-ordinates extensive and continuing education courses. Dorothee is in her second year of a Masters of Adult Education degree distance program from St. Francis Xavier University and has a fifteen year old son and an eleven year old daughter. "We love Iqaluit," she reports.

**Peter Sanci** (BA, phil) has been teaching at St. Joseph Morrow Park school in Toronto. He would like to hear from Steve Sacher and Chris Smith.

**Alfred Wenham** (BA, BEd) has finally landed a teaching position with the Hornepayne Board of Education after 12 years in social services. He sends greetings

and best wishes to all his Brock friends - keep in touch.

### 1975

**Jane (Kelly) Taylor** (BA, Fren) married Paul Taylor in 1987 and is now teaching for the York Region Separate School Board.

### 1976

**James A. Black** (BEd; MED '82) is on secondment to the Faculty of Education at Nipissing University College in North Bay where he is Intern Supervisor of the Native Teacher Certification Program. During his free time, James writes a weekly column, "Crime in Canada," for the Thunder Bay Chronicle Journal.

**John Laing** (BSc, cosc/math; BEd '77) and wife Patricia are happy to announce the birth of their son Cody Matthew, born Sept. 11, 1990, a brother for daughter Tegan.

### 1977

**Lynn Scott McCarty** (MSc, biol) graduated with a PhD in Biology from University of Waterloo, October, 1990, and is now working for CanTax Inc.

**Christopher Richardson** (BA, geol) obtained his CGA designation in 1990. He and his wife Diana are expecting a baby in July 1991.

### 1978

**Stanley Alan Szymkow** (BA, admi/soci) is a music teacher

with the Niagara South Board of Education. He would like to say hello to Fran, Tash, Sticks, Mario and Sully, the best card players in the world!

### 1980

**Ron Caldwell** (BPhEd) and wife Cheryl are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, Marissa Leigh on November 26, 1990.

**Emidio Corvaro** (BEd) is now married with four sons ranging in age from 9 months to 5 years. In 1989 he was promoted to Department Head at Lord Elgin High School in Burlington.

**Elinor Tuer** (BAdmin) and husband Eric are now the proud parents of two boys, Adam, born April, 1986, and Mark, born February, 1990.

**Brian Parker** (BSc, geol) died January 25, 1991 as a result of injuries sustained in a car accident. He is survived by his wife Catherine and sons, Matthew and Stephen.

### 1981

**David Buck** (BA, admi/poli) is a Captain serving with the Department of National Defence and is currently the Acting Commanding Officer at Canadian Forces Ammunition Depot, Angus, Ontario. He is also serving as an Explosive Ordnance Disposal (bomb disposal) operator.

**Michael Imort** (BEd; MEd, '89) was married to **Debora (Van Nijnatten)** (BA, Euro, '90) October 26, 1990.

Michael came to Brock as an exchange student in 1986 and

emigrated to Canada after receiving his MSc in Forestry from Freiburg University, Germany.

**Susan (D'Amoise) Salvas** (BA/BEd) and husband Marc have a new baby girl, Kaitlyn Marie, born Sept. 25, 1990, a sister for Kristen. Susan is teaching with the Lincoln County Board of Education.

### 1982

**Mario Arcuri** (BPhEd; BEd, '83) and wife **Tammy (Skuta) Arcuri** (BPhEd, '85) have two sons, Stephen, 16 months, and Julian, 1 month. Tammy is enjoying a long maternity leave! Mario is a musician working on an album in Toronto.

**Clara (Grof) Suba** (BA, Fren/poli; MA, phil, '85) and husband Sandor, would like to announce the birth of their second child, Daniel, born June 19, 1990. A brother for Angela. Clara is an assistant in the Language Learning Centre at Brock University.

### 1983

**Scott Anderson** (BPhEd; BEd '89) and **Barb (Davis) Anderson** (BA, Psych) announce the birth of their son, Cameron Davis, on February 7, 1991.

**Susanne (Lukasik) Barton** (BEd) and husband Paul announce the arrival of Andrew Robert, born Feb. 28, 1990, a brother for Sarah.

**Maria La Tassa** (BEd) and husband Cosmo are proud and happy to announce the arrival of their son, Vincent



## Alumnews (cont)



**Bill Wade (BA, geog/uest) 1985**

Robert, born August 16, 1990, a brother for Frankie.

**Bob Wright (BPhEd)** is a trainer with the Canine Unit of the Niagara Regional Police. He and his wife Sharon are happy to announce the birth of their son, Liam James, on December 9, 1990.

### 1984

**Mary (Fiello) Antaya (BA, adm/pol)** is a self employed nursery school teacher. She and her husband Chris would like to announce the birth of their second daughter, Melissa Elizabeth on Oct. 3, 1989, a sister for Amanda.

**Andy Brand (BE)** and his wife Wendy are thrilled to announce the birth of their son, Tyler Patrick, born October 1990. Andy and his family are living in Kitchener.

**Jim Doak (BA, adm/econ)** recently passed the Chartered Accountants Uniform final Examination. He would like to hear from Dawn and Murray ("Muh").

### 1985

**Lynn Howarth-McCoe (BA, BE)** would like to announce the birth of her first child, Rebecca Sarah, born October 26, 1990

**Cindy Jantos (BA, BE)** has moved from Banff, Alberta and is now living in Woodstock. She is teaching with the Oxford City Board of Education. Cindy and husband Henry are happy to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Leanne, born in February 1990.

**Michael LoSchiavo (BE)** is teaching with the Wentworth County Board of Education. He was married, to wife Nancy, on July 28, 1990.

**Andrea M. Rae (BSc, geol)** has been living in West Africa for three years where her husband is Planning and Exploration Manager for Goldenrae Mining Company. Andrea's third son was born in September, 1990.

**Christopher Tatarnic (BA, adm/econ)** left Hayes-Dana in Sept. '89 and is now a Micro-computer Consultant at Brock University. He and wife Rose are the proud parents of 2 children, Christina, 3, and Kelsey, 1.

**Bill Wade (BA, geog/uest)** is now in his fourth year of teaching in Fort Albany, an isolated Indian Reserve on the West Coast of James Bay. He and his wife Ghislaine were married December 28, 1990 and are expecting their first child July, 1991.

**Glenn Woodger (BAdmin)** died December 12, 1990 of

an aneurysm. He is survived by his wife Susanne.

### 1986

**Fred Barzyk (BBE; BAdmin, '88; BA, econ, '89)** is living in Ottawa and is an Economist with Statistics Canada. He graduated from Queen's University, Kingston, with a MA in economics.

**Cheryl (McWilliams) Berchem (BE, jr)** and **Tony Berchem (BE)** are the proud parents of a daughter, Natalie Marie, born November 16, 1990. They are both teaching with the York Region Board of Education.

**Barry Goldberg (BPhEd)** was married on August 19, 1989. Barry and his wife Elsa became the parents of a son, Mickey Samuel, on December 14, 1990.

**Lori (Schmidt) Golding (BA, hist)** teaches grade 7 geography with the Haldimand Board of Education. Lori and husband Dave have a baby girl, Olivia Nicole, born December 8, 1990.

**Lisa Cormier-Wilson (BA, Fren)** was married to Todd Wilson on Sept. 8, 1990. She is working as a translator.

**Gina (Luciano) Coyne (BA, adm/soci)** married Michael Coyne on August 25, 1990, in Islington, Ontario. Gina is working in the marketing department of the UCS Group. She sends a special hello to Jacqui Cooln, and hopes to see you soon.

**Steve Lorenz (BAdmin)** and wife Judy are pleased to announce the safe arrival of their

daughter, Alicia Lynn, on November 7, 1990. Steve is a manager with Ernst & Young, Chartered Accountants.

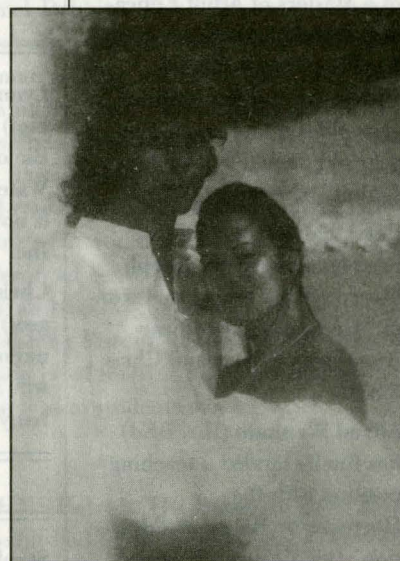
**John Robinson (BA, adm/pol)** and **Julie (McMenemy) (BA/BE)** were married August 6, 1988. Their first child, Sarah Jean, was born May 19, 1990.

**Ardith Sarenchuk-Bridge (BA, geog)** was married to Geof Bridge September 29, 1990. They are now living in Milton.

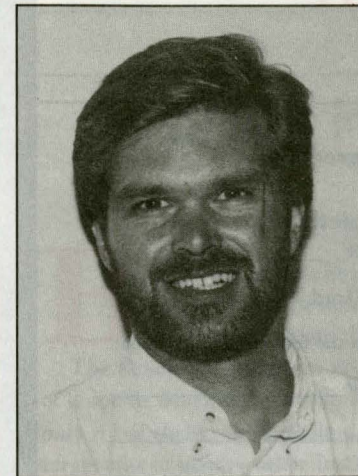
### 1987

**Kent Andrews (BBE)** is living in Mississauga and has been promoted to National Operations Manager for I.T.T. Commercial Finance.

**Jeff Domanski (BAdmin)** is a manager with Massachusetts Indemnity and Life Insurance Company. Jeff completed the Insurance Industry Life Office Management Associate Program and has received the Fellow Life Management Institute award, with distinction.



**Lisa Cormier-Wilson 1986**



**Randy Friesen (BA, adm/pol) 1988**

**Tom Koperwas (BA, phil)** is in his third year of teaching at Netsilik School, Spence Bay, N.W.T. for the Kitimeot Board of Education.

**Bruce Morrice (BSc, biol/chem)** is a medical sales representative in the Niagara Peninsula for Burroughs Wellcome.

**Cheri (Busch) Murphy (BPhEd/BE)** and husband Dave are the proud parents of a son, Brock David James, born on October 18, 1990, weighing in at 6lb. 12oz. Cheri is teaching with the Niagara South Board of Education.

**Lesley Penwarden (BA, psyc)** is extensively involved in volunteer work, she is currently a board member with the Niagara Injured Workers Advisory Centre and is Ontario's first representative on the National Steering Committee.

### 1988

**Judith (O'Neill) Bressette (BA, psyc)** was married to Darrin Bressett on December 28, 1990.

**Leanne Campbell (BA, adm/pol)** has recently been

promoted; she is working for the Dominion Automobile Association, in London, Ontario.

**Randy Friesen (BA, poli)**, is living in Waterloo and is a Director with Young Mission Canada for a national summer leadership program for college students sponsored by the Canadian Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches. The program takes teams of students into inner city areas

to work with street kids and the urban poor.

**Marianne Kond (BPhEd)** is in her second year of teaching with the Lincoln County Board of Education in St. Catharines.

**Mary (Hart) Prytulka (BA, psyc)** would like to hear from her old roommate, Mary Alice Wever.

### 1989

**Rhonda Lynn (Maeckelbergh) Bell (BRLS)** and **Thomas Bell (BA, poli, '89)** were married September 22, 1990. They are both working in Toronto, Thomas is a Recreation Supervisor, and Rhonda is an Assistant Media Executive.

**Diana (Newton) Brouwer (BAdmin)** was married to Eric Brouwer on October 6, 1990 and began her new job with Ernst & Young, Chartered Accountants, Newmarket.

**Diane (Goetz) HelmKay (BA/BE, Chst)** and **Owen HelmKay (BA, psych)** would like to congratulate Christine Jones and Mike Hoekstra on their March 9, 1991 marriage.

**Christine Jones (BA/BE, Chst)** married Mike Hoekstra on March 9, 1991.

**Claudette Losier (BA, visa)** will be having a solo art exhibition April 14, 1991 at the Bowmanville Art Centre. She is a board director of Niagara Artists' Centre and the St. Catharines Art Association.

**Rod Shaver (BSc, geol)** is working for Altech Environmental Consulting, in Toronto and is presently taking Business Administration, part time, at York University.

**Kelly Silver (BA/BE)** and **Kevin Kernaghan (BAdmin '88)** are engaged to be married on August 17, 1991.

**Gary Wilton (BRLS)** is home again after spending 13 months travelling & working overseas. Gary travelled through the South Pacific, Australia, Southeast Asia and Europe. On returning to Canada he took a seasonal position as a Park Ranger in Killarney Prov. Park, and is now working for a sporting goods company.



**Diana (Newton) Brouwer (BAdmin) 1989**

### 1990

**Shelley Blahut (BSc, biol/uest)** is now working for the Ministry of the Environment in Hamilton as an Environmental Officer.

**Elaine Carver (BA, chld)** is living in Burlington and has been teaching Philosophy of Education at Sheridan College since November, 1990.

**Craig D. Larmour (BA uest/geog)** is working as a Development Planner for the Town of Dunnville.

**Lisa Morgan (BA soci/uest)** added a new member to her family in the fall of 1990—a German sheppard/Collie puppy named "Isaac". Guess where she got the name!

**Jeffrey Richardson (BA, hist/uest)** was married to Sandra Lawrence in July 1990. He is currently studying Law at Queens University, Kingston.

**Monique (Mietkiewicz) Weiss (BA, chld)** married Allen Weiss, in Hamilton, July 21, 1990.



## SHARE YOUR NEWS WITH

# ALUMNEWS

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## Nurses get relief at Brock

Niagara registered nurses seeking a post-diploma BScN through McMaster University can now satisfy some of their degree requirements at Brock University.

The province will soon require all new nurses to hold the Bachelor of Science in Nursing. This has posed a

problem to nurses in eastern Niagara holding the RN diploma and seeking career advancement. They have been forced to commute to Hamilton for a strenuous two-year program of nursing, health science and elective courses, if they wished to complete the BScN. Now they may register in the McMaster pro-

gram, but take all their electives and some other selected courses at Brock - about 40 percent of the required 109 credits. Says Brock Professor David Di-Battista, "We can take some heat off nurses who were adding hours of commuting time to their work and family commitments."

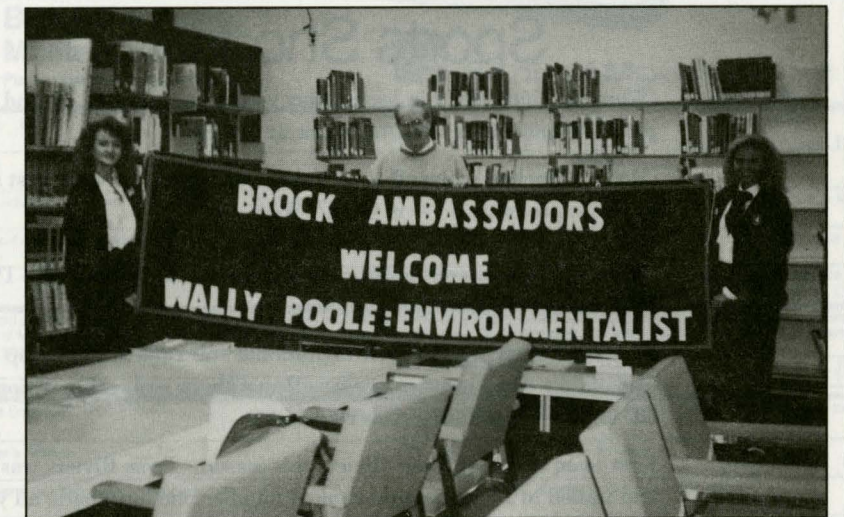
# Brock Briefs

## Brock Hosts First National Student/Alumni Conference

Brock University's Student Ambassadors hosted Canada's first National Student/Alumni Association Conference, February 1st and 2nd. Seventy representatives from 12 universities and four colleges gathered on the Brock campus to exchange ideas and promote the concept of student/alumni interaction.

The Brock Ambassadors are part of an international organization of student/alumni groups devoted to increasing the affinity of students for their institution and its alumni office. While the international student/alumni organization has many members, only six of them are Canadian. According to Lori Kasprick, the Conference Chairperson and third year Brock student, "Our target was to inspire other institutions to form their own student/alumni groups, and I feel we succeeded." Delegates such as Rodney Payne, a student from Memorial University in St. Johns, Newfoundland agreed. "I'm 500 miles away from another university" he said, "so to have the opportunity to discuss alumni/student matters with universities and college members from all over Canada was exciting."

The keynote speaker was Brock Education Prof. Wally Poole, who discussed what universities and individuals can do on campus to preserve the environment. But for delegates from Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan and Manitoba the highlight of the weekend was a tour of Niagara's famous Festival of Lights that was arranged by our Brock Ambassadors.



## Far East Visit

In the fall of 1990, Brock's External Relations office sent Dr. Bill Matheson on a fact-finding visit to Hong Kong, Singapore and Malaysia. His mission? To look into the feasibility of developing Brock alumni chapter activity throughout the Far East and to raise the visibility of the University.

There are approximately 400 Brock graduates now living in Hong Kong, Malaysia and Singapore; Hong Kong alone is home to 118 alumni and 70 current Brock students. Dr. Matheson visited alumni in Penang, Kuala Lumpur, Singapore and Hong Kong. In each location, Dr. Matheson was kindly and enthusiastically greeted. "All the alumni I met

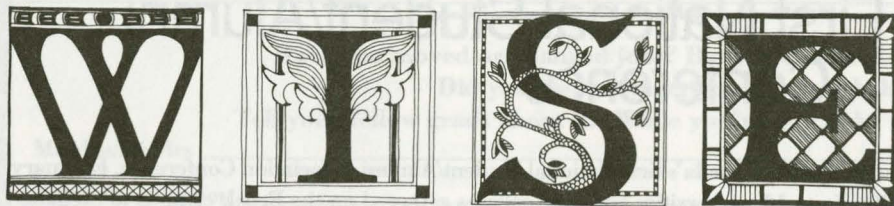
have very fond memories of Brock and spoke in glowing terms about their experiences here," he says.

An alumni chapter already exists in Malaysia and, as a result of this visit, the Alumni Board is now in the process of establishing alumni chapters in Hong Kong and Singapore.

**SURGITE!**



## Women's Studies Program Approved



**A** Women's Studies program will begin at Brock this fall. The program's first director, Prof. Cecilia Reynolds (Education), describes it as "an interdisciplinary program of study that looks at the ways gender influences

both women and men. It encourages students to look at institutions, ideologies, history, human nature, science, language and culture from a new perspective. Women's Studies is an alternative to the traditional curriculum which tends to describe and analyze things from a male viewpoint. One of the strengths of the program is that it offers many ways to examine both theories and real-life issues. Its ultimate aim is to further human understanding through exploring and respecting differences."

## Sports Shorts

**Volleyball:** (Women) Undefeated in league play with a record of 12-0 and in first place. Qualified for OWIAA Finals at Queens.  
(Men) Clinched a playoff spot and are on course for their best season in years; presently 6-4 in OUAA West.

**Basketball:** (Women) Winners of the Brock Invitational and hosts for the 1991 Final Four OWIAA Championships.  
(Men) Winners of the Brock Invitational and ranked in the top 10 in Canada for 6 consecutive weeks. Presently in a playoff position in the OUAA West with four games remaining.

**Hockey:** First team to defeat Trois Riviers this season. Trois Riviers was unbeaten and untied in 27 games and ranked number one in Canada all year until the Badgers won 6-5 in overtime. Team also won at Western 4-3 and are presently fighting for a playoff spot with 5 games remaining.

**Wrestling:** Team is ranked number 2 in Canada. Brock's wrestlers have won a number of gold medals at prestigious competitions this season. Brock is hosting the OUAA Finals.

**Swimming:** (Women) Placed fifth at the OWIAA's in Laurentian with four swimmers qualifying for the CIAU's and for five consecutive weeks have been ranked in the top 10 in Canada.  
(Men) Presently ranked in the top 10 in Canada. QUAA Finals coming up at Toronto.

**Curling:** (Women) Curlers won the OWIAA Gold Medal. Brock finished with a record of 4-1 in the Finals and 11-3 overall. McMaster was second and Guelph third.

**Fencing:** (Women) Epee team and Foil team have qualified for the OWIAA finals at McMaster.  
(Men) Epee team has qualified for the OUAA finals at McMaster.

**Waterpolo:** (Women) Team placed second at the McMaster Tournament and has qualified for the OWIAA finals at Carleton.

## Brock Offers BSc/BEd Program

**B**rock has one answer to Canada's growing shortage of math and science minds: the BSc/BEd program, now in its first year with 27 students enrolled.

Says Director Don Ursino, "The program is unique in that it seeks people who have an interest in and aptitude for mathematics and sciences and want to teach the lower grade levels. Most other programs are geared to the high school level. We offer a junior/intermediate certificate, qualifying graduates to teach grades four through 10. We hope in time they'll take a leadership role in their schools, become resource people for math and science. Taking the seven science courses this program requires gives people a valuable breadth, and sufficient depth that they can be imaginative in the classroom and remain vitally interested in the sciences."

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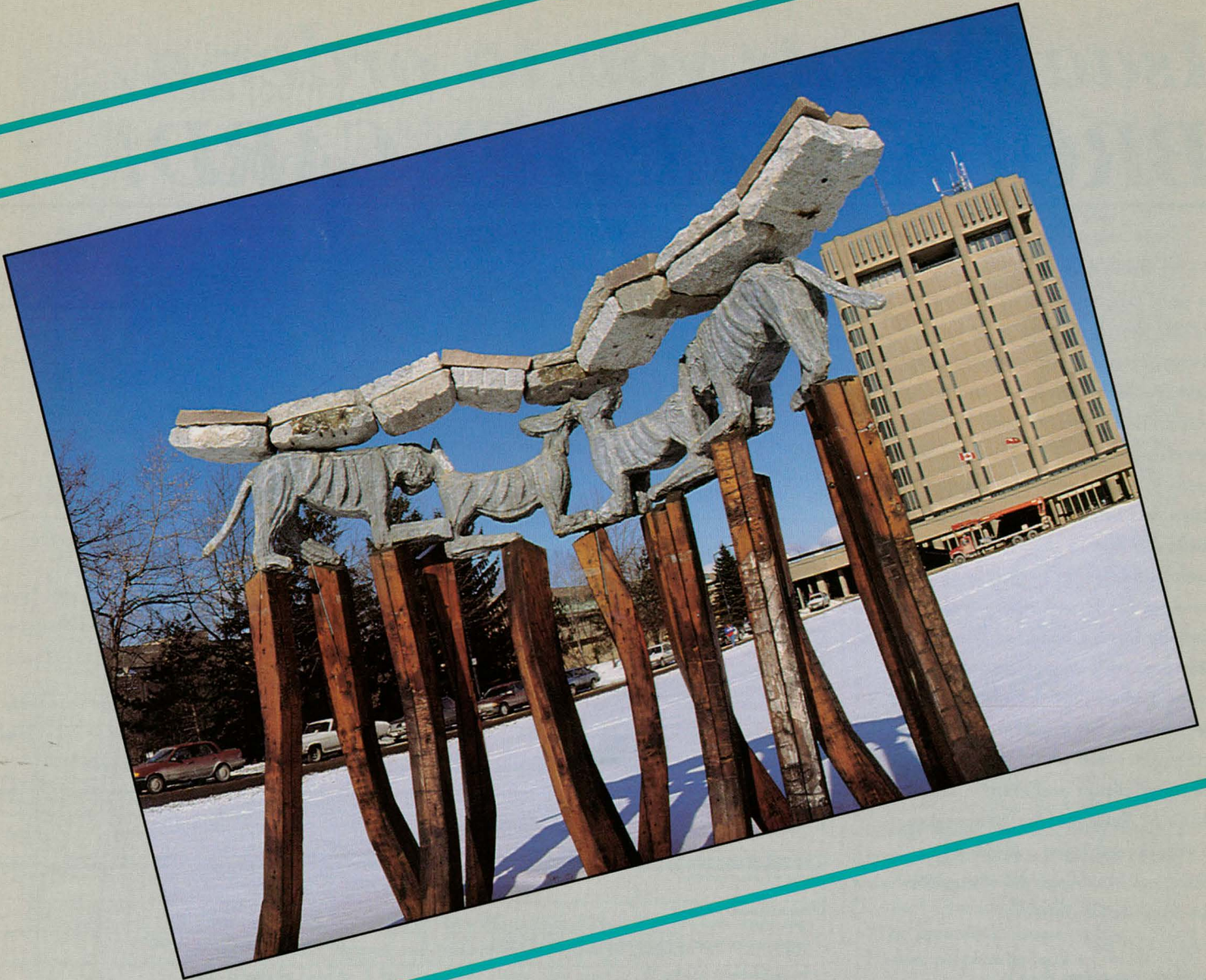
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