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New Dean of Social Sciences appointed

Terry Boak, Brock University's Provost and Vice-President, Academic, is pleased to announce the appointment of Thomas Dunk as the school's new Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, effective July 1.

Dunk comes to Brock from Lakehead University, where since May of 2007, he has served as Dean of Social Sciences and Humanities. Prior to assuming the position of Dean at Lakehead, he was Chair of the University's Department of Sociology for eight years.

"I am very pleased with the appointment of Dr. Dunk and know that he is well suited to meet the challenges and opportunities that the Faculty of Social Sciences at Brock has to offer," said Boak. "Deans have a key role to play in terms of setting examples and creating environments that encourage collegiality, consistency and clarity, and it is with great confidence and delight that I welcome him to the University."

With a doctorate in anthropology from McGill



Thomas Dunk

University, Dunk began his career first in the Interdisciplinary Centre for Northern Studies and then the Department of Sociology at Lakehead University. An active researcher, he has studied various topics, from dimensions of social inequality and spatial/regional identities to political economy and cultural studies.

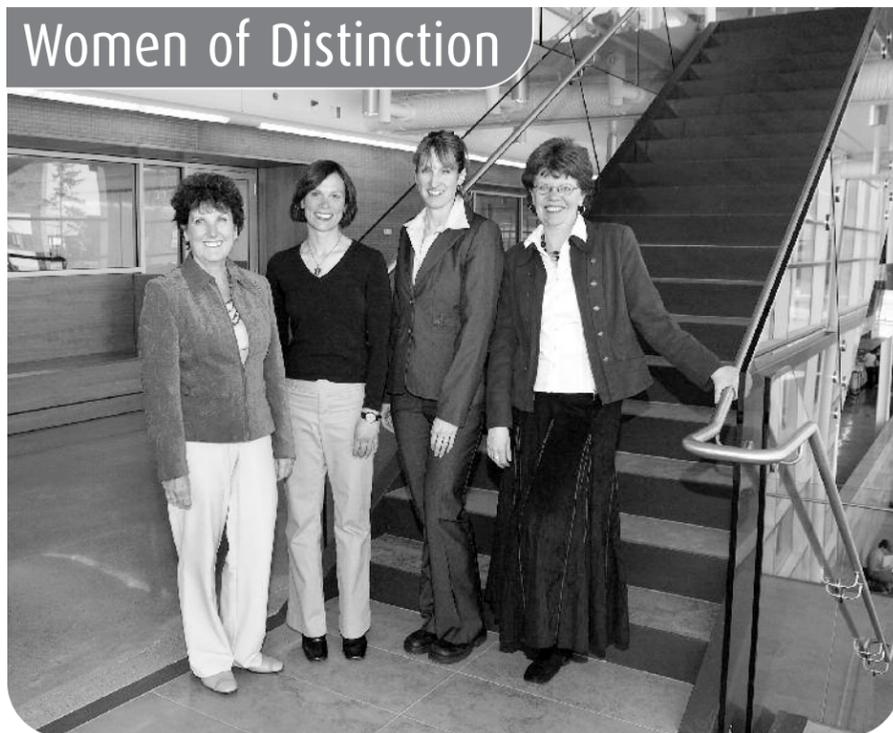
Dunk has been an exceptional and popular teacher in subjects such as sociological theory and masculinities, as well as environmental sociology, and brings many years of experience in university and professional administration to his new position at Brock University.

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Women of Distinction



YWCA Niagara Region Women of Distinction Award nominees with ties to Brock include, from left, Debra McLauchlan, Karen Natho, Jenny Brown and Joan Wiley.

Brock nominees stand out

Four out of 14 women nominated for the YWCA Niagara Region Women of Distinction Awards have a Brock connection.

The four have been given the nod by their peers because of personal achievements, community commitment and their contribution to the advancement of women, but they have done so by bringing diverse skill sets and life experience to the table.

One person will be awarded in each of six categories during a gala tomorrow night, May 8, at John-Michael's Banquet & Conference Centre in Thorold.

The categories, judged by a jury panel made up of past recipients and community members, are: Trades, Professions and Entrepreneurship; Education, Training and Development; Health and Wellbeing; Public Affairs and Communication; and Public and Community Service.

Brock's nominees include:

• **Debra McLauchlan**, Education, Training and Development

As Associate Professor in the Faculty of Education, McLauchlan is a champion of lifelong learning opportunities for teachers, specifically in the areas of drama, visual arts and music. She has fostered many community-based partnerships between education and arts organizations and shared her research and workshops at conferences to challenge and inspire teachers. Together with Carousel Players, she helped to launch the annual Norah Morgan Award to celebrate the contributions and achievements of Niagara Region educators in memory of local drama educator Norah Morgan. She is a mentor to the many teachers who start their careers as elementary school teachers every year.

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Scientifically Yours challenges teen girls

An interest in future employment in science and mathematics brought more than 80 Grade 11 girls from the Golden Horseshoe to Brock this week for Scientifically Yours, the 19-year-old conference aimed at increasing interest in these fields for young women.

During a three-day period on campus, delegates of Scientifically Yours engaged in science projects, met many women in the varied fields of employment related to science and math, and enjoyed perhaps the first experience of university life.

"We have linked this year with the Student Development Centre's First Generation program, so these are not just girls with the highest academic standing, but these are girls who may not have considered math and science for a career path," noted Gail Higenell,

Scientifically Yours co-ordinator, and senior laboratory demonstrator, Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute.

"They could be great achievers, if only they have that exposure."

Higenell noted the Grade 11 students are chosen because they are mature enough to handle the packed schedule – which includes fun activities such as swimming and trail exploration – and they are just on the verge of deciding what to do after high school.

While other years have featured a plenary speaker, this year's version offered a Junior Café Scientifique instead. This gave the young women a chance to talk to each other about the assumptions that have been built into their lives regarding future career paths.

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Convocation plans set

Thousands of Brock students will participate in what is anticipated to be the biggest-yet convocation with nine ceremonies over five days in June.

From Tuesday, June 10 to Saturday, June 14, the Walker Complex's Ian D. Beddis gymnasium will be taken over with this year's Spring Convocation.

For 2008, Brock takes pride in awarding honorary degrees to the following distinguished Canadians:

• **Robin C. Williams**, Medical Officer of Health and Commissioner of Public Health, Regional Municipality of Niagara, for her professional contributions in raising awareness of children's health and welfare issues through educating parents, families, professionals, communities and provincial governments about child development.

• **Roberta Jamieson**, CEO of the National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation and First Nations Leader, for her distinguished achievements and career of service for all Canadians, and worldwide acclaim for developing and promoting non-adversarial methods of conflict resolution to advance democracy through institutional change.

• **Marilyn Walker**, artist, teacher, mentor and award-winning author, for her extraordinary advocacy and support of the arts, and in recognition of her meritorious contributions and service to the Niagara and Brock communities.

• **Paul House**, Chairman, CEO and President of TDL Group Corporation (Tim Hortons), for his visionary leadership in developing the Tim Hortons brand and organization to iconic levels, outstanding humanitarian contributions, and distinguished service to the growth and advancement of the University.

Ceremonies include:

- Tuesday, June 10, 10 a.m. – Faculty of Applied Health Sciences
- Tuesday, June 10, 2 p.m. – Faculty of Applied Health Sciences
- Wednesday, June 11, 10 a.m. – Faculty of Education
- Wednesday, June 11, 2 p.m. – Faculty of Education
- Thursday, June 12, 10 a.m. – Faculty of Social Sciences
- Thursday, June 12, 2 p.m. – Faculty of Social Sciences
- Friday, June 13, 10 a.m. – Faculty of Humanities and Concordia Lutheran Seminary
- Friday, June 13, 2 p.m. – Faculty of Mathematics and Science
- Saturday, June 14, 2 p.m. – Faculty of Business

All ceremonies will be held in the Walker Complex in the Ian D. Beddis gymnasium. An outdoor reception for graduates, family members and other special guests will be held after each ceremony.

Information about the recipients of this year's Faculty Award of Excellence for Teaching, Governor General's Gold and Silver medals, Dean's medals for academic excellence, and Board of Trustees Spirit of Brock Medals will be featured in future issues of *Brock News*.

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• **Karen Natho**, Education, Training and Development

Throughout Natho's career, she has worked tirelessly to make a difference in the lives of disabled children, often sharing her expertise with teachers and coaches both locally and internationally to help ensure they have the skills, knowledge and attitudes to ensure all children are provided equal opportunities. She spent six years directing the Easter Seals Camp Merrywood, a leading residential camp for children and youth with physical disabilities. She started the Brock Niagara Penguins in 2006 as a volunteer in collaboration with the University and the Brock Niagara Aquatics Club. "Attitudinal and awareness barriers, often so subtle, yet still prevalent in our society in 2008, are erased through Karen's efforts and young adults and leaders living with disabilities emerge with confidence," noted Margaret Sanderson, Accessibility Co-ordinator at Brock.

• **Jenny Brown**, Health and Wellbeing

Over the years, Brown has been instrumental in encouraging people to overcome barriers to physical activity and move on to healthier lifestyles and levels of fitness. In 1997, she founded "Reactivated," which helps people overcome barriers to physical activity such as car accidents, injuries, blindness, sports injuries, mental illness, asthma and more. She created H.O.P.E. (Healthy Outcomes for Personal Excellence) in 1999 with St. Joseph's Hospital in Hamilton to facilitate special needs, and injury recovery. In 2002, she recognized the need for a supportive environment for female racers and cyclists in a male-dominated sport, so she formed the Sunflower Squad, which encourages riders to reach their highest potential. She is currently a cycling coach and instructor with Brock's Continuing Education program.

• **Joan Wiley**, Public Affairs and Communication

Wiley's journey began when the daughter she'd loved for 18 years gathered up astonishing courage to disclose that she identified as a man. As a result of her son's revelation, Wiley founded TransParent Canada, an organization that supports and provides resources to parents of transgender and transsexual children. Wiley writes locally and nationally on these issues, eliciting responses from as far away as Ireland and Idaho as well as in St. Catharines. She maintains a website which allows anyone, anywhere in the world to become informed about gender-variant issues. Her many commitments include: founding director of Pride Network of Niagara; founding director of OUTniagara; executive editor of the quarterly newsletter *The OUTbox*; member of St. Catharines chapter of PFLAG Canada; ally of Transgender Niagara; board member and workshop facilitator on Brock's Positive Space Campaign committee; member of Justice at Brock committee. Wiley has been recognized locally and nationally for her advocacy work, including being one of three Canadians to receive the 2007 National Champion Against Homophobia Award by PFLAG Canada. She is writer/editor in Brock's Office of University Communications.

Women of Distinction Awards have been held by YWCAs across Canada since 1977, and in the Niagara Region since 1985.

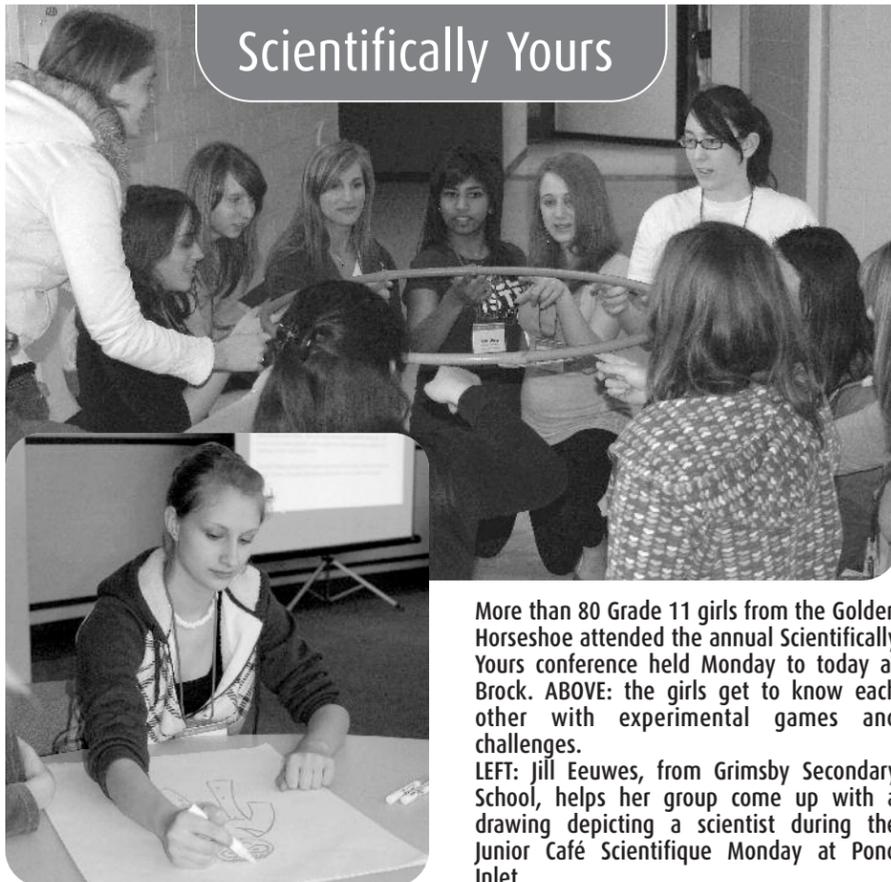
Eleanor Lancaster, this year's Honorary Chair, received the Public Affairs and Communications Women of Distinction Award in 1991.

Thank you to custodial staff

The staff of Conference and Event Services and the Department of Residence would like to send out a big "thank you" to our colleagues in Custodial Services for their hard work during the turnover from residences to conference season. We appreciate what you do.

Wendy Laslo
Acting Associate Director
Conference and Event Services and
Edutravel

Scientifically Yours



More than 80 Grade 11 girls from the Golden Horseshoe attended the annual Scientifically Yours conference held Monday to today at Brock. ABOVE: the girls get to know each other with experimental games and challenges.

LEFT: Jill Eeuwes, from Grimsby Secondary School, helps her group come up with a drawing depicting a scientist during the Junior Café Scientifique Monday at Pond Inlet.

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With facilitation from graduate students, they were asked to visualize themselves in scientific careers, and to discuss whether or not that felt comfortable, and if not, why not.

"Girls still lag behind in some areas, such as physics and engineering," Higenell explained, "but they are increasingly found studying in the life sciences, in areas such as biology, so we just want to encourage them to pursue careers in science and math."

About 10 faculty and staff, and another eight to 10 senior students, volunteer their time to put together the conference, which included a multitude of science projects, from which the girls chose six to complete.

A number of areas support the conference through services and donations, including the Faculty of

Mathematics and Science, and the Student Development Centre, which this year offered 10 bursaries to be drawn at random. Those 10 bursaries mean 10 young women attended the conference at no cost.

Although recruitment is not a major goal for the conference, encouraging the delegates to pursue post-secondary education is, Higenell noted, while informal statistics show about 10 per cent of those who attend Scientifically Yours end up pursuing post-secondary studies at Brock.

As the conference evolves, the organizers would like to see more follow-through for the students, by offering open dialogue after the event is over.

Science projects this year included everything from CSI-type exercises to studying water, fungus, laser holography, the sun, slime and DNA fingerprinting.

CCOVI engages global audience by streaming lectures online

With topics ranging from vineyard technology to wine marketing, the first annual Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute's (CCOVI) Fellows and Professional Affiliates Lectures Series served up something for all facets of the Canadian grape and wine community.

The series kicked off in mid-February with Pat Bowen, CCOVI Fellow (CF), discussing the use of geographic information systems to study terroir, followed by Karl Kaiser, CCOVI Professional Affiliate (CPA), on confronting the savagery of Pinot Noir; Tony Shaw (CF), who shed light on the climate of Ontario's wine regions; Linda Bramble (CPA), who gave a history lesson on the Ontario wine industry; and Carman Cullen (CF), who made sense of how to market sparkling wine to Generation Y. Ralph Brown (CF) wrapped up the series with his talk on remote sensing and precision viticulture.

Several of the lectures in the series were streamed online in live video, marking the first time CCOVI has live broadcasted events to a potentially global audience over the Internet.

"I love this (live streaming video) and think it has a great future for extending CCOVI's network of learners," Bramble said.

Cullen said that "having people watch

you on the Internet is a little bit frightening" to someone of his generation, the Baby Boomers, but that broadcasting live online was a relevant and important means of communicating with Generation Y.

Viewers, who - due to geographic situations - wouldn't have been able to see the lectures, were able to tune in to the CCOVI website, watch the presentation and interact with other viewers through online chat.

"This live presentation is much appreciated by those of us not in Niagara," noted Iabela Bembem, a 2007 CCOVI graduate and winemaker at

Aleksander Estate near Leamington in southwestern Ontario, in an online post.

Archived videos, photos and slides of the lectures can be viewed by going to www.brocku.ca/ccovi and clicking "CCOVI Lecture Series" on the left side of the page. The high resolution video and audio streaming was made possible with the support of Brock's Multimedia Production and Innovation Centre. This service, along with the archiving options, is available to all members of the Brock University community.

If you are interested in live streaming your event, contact Mike Laurence at ITS, by calling ext. 4812, or by e-mail at mike.laurence@brocku.ca



Ralph Brown

Call for staff representative

The advisory committee being created to find a new Provost and Vice-President, Academic, is in need of a staff representative.

Terry Boak will complete his term as Provost and Vice-President, Academic, on June 30, 2009. As a result, the Advisory Committee on the Appointment of the Vice-President is being struck to work with an Executive Consultant to search for his replacement. Members of the committee will engage with the search process from May 1, 2008 until Jan. 30, 2009, when it is anticipated that a successful candidate will be selected.

Reporting directly to the President, the Provost and Vice-President, Academic provides leadership in the co-ordination and development of academic programs and projects in the University, as well as maintaining the highest standards of excellence and quality. Working closely with the President and various academic units - Faculties, Library, Student Services, including the Registrar - he/she is responsible for guiding and enhancing Brock's academic mission through excellent teaching, graduate programs and research activities.

A staff representative is needed in order to fill out the slate of advisory committee members. If you are a permanent University staff employee and you are interested in filling this important role, please call Luaine Hathaway at ext. 3322, or e-mail lhathaway@brocku.ca for further information.

Brock's Azarbayjani joins Verbeek at 2008 Summer Olympics

Defeats three-time Olympian Sissaouri

Saeed Azarbayjani from the Brock Wrestling Club defeated three-time Olympian and former World Champion Guivi Sissaouri from Montreal for the first time in his career April 26 to win the 60-kilogram Olympic Team Wrestle-Off. Azarbayjani joins 2004 Olympic silver medallist and Brock University graduate Tonya Verbeek, who also will represent Canada at the 2008 Olympics this summer.

As Olympic Trials Champion, Azarbayjani came into the Toronto wrestle-off one match up in the best two-of-three challenge format. Sissaouri came in as challenger and had to win two straight matches to make the Canadian Olympic Team.

Needing just one match victory, Azarbayjani scored a single point late in the first round to take a 1-0 lead. In the second round, Sissaouri scored on a three-point under over and added a single to win the round 4-0, tying the match 1-1. In the third round, it was Azarbayjani battling Sissaouri's pressure countering on his under-over throw attempt and catching Giuvi on his back for two points. With less than 20 seconds remaining, Azarbayjani scored on a cross ankle to win in dramatic fashion against one of the top wrestlers in Canada for the past 15 years.

"We had a good strategy going in against Sissaouri," said head coach Marty Calder. "Saeed battled hard throughout the match and did the right thing in the third round that worked in his favour. He has worked very hard for the past four years and is well deserving of this victory and a place with the Olympic Team."

Dual business program getting ready to welcome January start students

Brock's brand new dual business degree program is expecting its first students in January 2009.

Launched in April, the program between the Faculty of Business at Brock University and the European Business School, International University Schloss Reichartshausen (EBS) gives students the opportunity to receive two degrees: The Bachelor of Business Administration, International Business concentration degree from Brock and a Bachelor of Science in General Management, Track International Business Studies degree from EBS in Germany.

Students from Brock will be at Brock for 2.5 years and before going to EBS for 1.5 years. Students pay Brock tuition fees and are therefore always a registered Brock student.

While the program welcomes five students in January, there will be an intake of likely 10 students per year after that, Brock officials say, while Brock expects to send one student to EBS in January.

The program marks the first of its



Pictured at the launch of the dual degree program are, from left: Jack Lightstone, Brock President; Petra Weiler, Academic Director International Business Studies, Undergraduate and Graduate Education, European Business School; Barbara Sainy, Associate Dean, Undergraduate Programs; and Catrine Stibbe, Vice-Consul Cultural Affairs, German Consulate, Toronto.

kind for Brock University and the first North American venture at the undergraduate level for EBS, which has eight such programs worldwide.

stewardship and earn cash rewards for their efforts. Think Recycle, the recycling company with which the ambassadors have partnered, will award \$500 to the organization that submits the most qualifying cellphones. With your help, the ambassadors hope to win the \$500 which they would add to their existing Brock Student Ambassador bursary.

If you have old cellphones at home or in your desk, send them to the ambassadors, c/o the Office of Alumni Relations (TH265) before May 30. The ambassadors are also grateful to staff for their continued support of their ink cartridge recycling program. The bursary currently stands at approximately \$27,000.

Brock, Niagara College libraries develop reciprocal borrowing agreement

Niagara College students, faculty and staff are now able to borrow books from the James A. Gibson Library, as well as the Instructional Resource Centre and the Library at the Hamilton Campus, thanks to a new reciprocal borrowing agreement. Brock students, faculty and staff will have similar borrowing privileges at Niagara College libraries.

Members of the Brock community may borrow books from both the Welland and Niagara-on-the-Lake campus libraries. A Brock ID card and one additional piece of photo ID are required to register for borrowing privileges. DVDs/videos, journals, reserve and reference materials, and laptops are excluded, as is remote access to e-resources. Books may be borrowed for a two-week period with one renewal.

The agreement between the James A. Gibson Library and the Niagara College Libraries is an important example of the institutions' increasing collaboration.

Thesis Defence

A Master of Arts thesis defence for Jennifer Fresque, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, will be held on Tuesday, May 13 at 1 p.m. in WH 147. The title of her thesis is "The Evolution, Experience and Drivers of Collaboration: Case Studies from Non-Profit River Based Organizations in New Brunswick, Canada." Supervisor: Ryan Plummer; external examiner: Ben Bradshaw, University of Guelph; committee members: David Fennell; David Brown; chair: Michael Plyley.

Accounting education awarded with funds

The CMA Brock Accounting Research and Education Centre (CMABAREC) has received \$30,000 from the Society of Management Accountants of Ontario (SMAO). The funds will be used to support accounting research and education, and to promote Brock's undergraduate and graduate accounting programs. In 2007, the SMAO provided \$25,000 in support of the CMABAREC activities.

Brock Briefs

SPMA to hold alumni event

Brock University's Department of Sport Management has organized a special evening in conjunction with the upcoming North American Society of Sport Management conference, to be held May 27 to 31 in Toronto (see related story Page 4).

The social SPMA event for Sport Management Alumni will take place Thursday, May 29 at the Ultra Supper Club (www.ultrasupperclub.com), located in downtown Toronto. The event is from 8 to 11 p.m., following which the club will be open to the public. The night, with no cost for alumni, includes appetizers, a cash bar, and giveaways. It will also provide an outlet and opportunity for all attendees to network with other graduates, reunite with old friends, and share a few drinks with Brock professors. For information, contact Kirsty Spence at kspence@brocku.ca or Eric Sinker at es04ay@brocku.ca

Linguistics hosts poster presentation

The Department of Applied Linguistics hosted a Faculty and Student Research Poster Presentation April 8 at Pond Inlet. Several students in Applied Linguistics, as well as others in allied Faculties, presented their work alongside faculty members in the department. The event was well attended by the Brock community, who munched on snacks and talked about language, linguistics, the brain, second language teaching, communication disorders, and other interesting topics.

Advisor awarded by national association

Penni Lafleur, the Academic Advisor in the Communication, Popular Culture and Film Department, has been recognized with a 2008 National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) Outstanding New Advising Certificate of Merit. The NACADA award is open to academic advisors from across North America who have demonstrated qualities associated with outstanding academic advising of students, and who have served as an advisor for fewer than three years. Lafleur, a Brock graduate with a BA in Communications Studies and Women's Studies, who holds a master's in Work & Society, Labour Studies, has been in her current role for two years.

Student Ambassadors need your cellphones

The Brock Student Ambassadors continue to celebrate Earth Day by participating in a Cellphone Collection Campaign. This campaign is an initiative for the ambassadors to realize their commitment to recycling potentially hazardous e-waste, practise environmental

Mediatalk

People in the news

Sharilyn Ingram, School of Fine and Performing Arts Director, was interviewed for an April 11 article in the *St. Catharines Standard* entitled "Beyond the notes," in which she discusses the value of symphony orchestras as educational tools for children and the role of symphonies as social indicators.

Charles Burton, Professor, Political Science, was interviewed for an April 11 article in the *Globe and Mail* entitled "China spins protests to buttress support at home." Burton was also interviewed for CBC Radio One's *Sunday Edition* as part of a panel on "China, Tibet and the Olympics;" by Linda Tse on the Dalai Lama's recent statement to the Chinese media for Fairchild TV *National News* on April 15; and in a live interview with Zhao Li for the Radio Canada International Chinese Service about Tibet, the Olympics and Canada-China relations. Burton's testimony to the Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade on "The Rise Of China, Russia and India in the Global Economy and Implications for Canadian Policy" was reported in the April 16 issue of *Embassy Magazine* under title "No Progress on Democracy." Burton was also interviewed for the April 23 edition of *Embassy Magazine* in an article entitled "Embattled Chinese Ambassador Lu Shumin to Return Home."

James Cooper, Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute communications co-ordinator, was interviewed for an April 14 article in the *Times of India* entitled "Old wine offers new opportunities," in which he talks about the oenology and viticulture opportunities at Brock.

David Fennell, Professor, Tourism and Environment, was interviewed for an April 11 news article posted online with Bayshore Broadcasting Corporation entitled "Learn more before you travel," in which he talked about learning as much as possible about one's travel destination before departing. Fennell was also quoted in the *National Post* April 12 in an article entitled "How the other half lives," in which he talks about the exploitation factor involved in slum tourism.

Stephen Cheung, Professor, Physical Education and Kinesiology, had an article posted April 15 entitled "Toolbox: Time trial pacing strategies" on the *Pez Cycling News* website (<http://www.pezcyclingnews.com/?pg=fullstory&id=5816>)

Ian Brindle, Associate Vice-President, Research, was quoted in the *Niagara Falls Review* April 17 in an article entitled "Ridding shelves of bisphenol products will be challenging," in which he noted the dangers of bisphenol A particles from plastic bottles. The article also appeared in the *St. Catharines Standard* and *Welland Tribune*.

Robert Dimand, Professor, Economics, was interviewed for an April 14 article in *Canada Business* entitled "Different this time?" in which he discusses the economic theories of Irving Fisher and how they relate to today's financial climate.

David Siegel, Dean of Social Sciences, was interviewed for an April 12 article in the *Guelph Mercury* entitled "Can Guelph and Wellington County ever get along?" in which he noted that clashes between closely aligned municipalities can occur over minor issues.

Kevin Kee, Professor, History, was featured in the *St. Catharines Standard* April 19 in an article entitled "Teaching history through cyberspace," about his development of educational video games to help teach history and his plans to lead a team to create a War of 1812 tourism video game.

Felice Martinello, Professor, Economics, was interviewed for an April 26 feature in the *St. Catharines Standard* entitled "Search Engine," in which he talked about the consequences of raising minimum wage.

Antonia Mantonakis, Professor, Marketing, International Business and Strategy, was interviewed for an April 26 article in the *Niagara Falls Review* entitled "Gas or food?", in which she noted the rising cost of gasoline is making people change their transportation habits. Mantonakis was also interviewed, along with **Isabelle Lesschaeve** and **Erika Neudorf** of the Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute, for an April 18 article in *Wines & Vines* entitled "Researchers consider factors of wine selection," regarding CCOVI's new Consumer Perception and Cognition Laboratory. The two were also interviewed for an article in the *St. Catharines Standard* April 25 and in the *Calgary Herald* April 29.

Maureen Connolly, Professor, Physical Education and Kinesiology, was interviewed for an April 25 article in *Niagara This Week* entitled "SNAP program helps special needs students developing motor, social skills and friendships," in which she talked about the pilot SNAP project at the MacBain Community Centre in Niagara Falls.

Terrance Wade, Professor, Community Health Services, and **Deborah O'Leary**, Professor and Director, Brock University Heart Institute, were interviewed for an April 23 article in the *Welland Tribune* entitled "Findings not surprising: Brock researchers," in which they discuss research that shows obese and inactive children can have hardened arteries by the age of nine.

Ana Sanchez, Professor, Community Health Sciences, was interviewed on location in Honduras by CBC's *Radio Noon* (Montreal edition) on April 18 regarding her involvement in the Global Health Partnership funded by the International Development Research Centre.

Lecture focuses on social justice issues

Carolyn Hafer's research in the area of social justice will be in the spotlight May 8 for the Chancellor Chair for Research Excellence Lecture.

The researcher from the Department of Psychology will present "From Victims to Villains: Manifestations of a Need to Believe in a Just World." The lecture is from 3:30 to 5 p.m., with a reception to follow, in Plaza 600F.

Created in 2001, the Chancellor's Chair for Research Excellence recognizes high quality research,

scholarly and creative achievement by providing a three-year grant to support an individual's research program.

Building on the Canada Research Chair Program, the Chancellor's Chair Program is a key element in Brock's transition from a primarily undergraduate to a comprehensive, research-intensive institution.

In compliance with the terms of the award, each Chancellor's Chair agrees to present a lecture to the University community. This is one of those lectures.

Sport Management team to host North American conference in Toronto

Firmly established in its second decade with more than 750 graduates, Brock's Department of Sport Management has come of age by being selected to host the 2008 North American Society of Sport Management conference, May 27 to 31 in Toronto.

The event's organizing committee, headed by professors Cheri Bradish and

Joanne MacLean, has identified a socially significant theme for this year's conference – Good Sport Makes Good Business – which will focus on the role of philanthropy in sport.

The keynote speakers for the conference include:

- **Beckie Scott**, athlete ambassador with Right to Play and member of the IOC and board of directors for the Vancouver 2010 Winter Games, former member of the Canadian national cross country ski team, and a gold and silver medallist at the 2002 and 2006 Olympic Winter Games.

- **Mark Cohon**, the Canadian Football League's 12th Commissioner, former director of corporate and game development with Major League Baseball and vice-president of

business development with the National Basketball Association.

The conference will also include a special full-day workshop May 28 presented in partnership with the Sports Philanthropy Project group, which will feature representatives from major philanthropic sport groups. Panellists from Right To Play, Toronto Blue Jays Foundation,

Lance Armstrong Foundation, Raptors Foundation, NHLPA, and CIBC Run for the Cure will share their expertise and insights on how sport organizations can give back to their communities and serve as important vehicles of social change.

The main site for the conference is the Holiday Inn on King Street in the heart of the city's sports and entertainment district. This central location was chosen to showcase Canada's thriving sport sector to the international sport management community and to provide a central venue for sport industry members – including Brock graduates – to attend the conference.

For more information, go to www.nassm.com/NASSM2008



Art classes spring to life at Rodman Hall

Whether you're looking for evening classes or weekend workshops for yourself, or after-school classes or summer camps for your kids, Rodman Hall is the place to be this spring and summer.

All classes are instructed by local professional artists, and enrolment is kept small, so you can benefit

from individual instruction. Small classes mean space is limited, so register early. For course listings, please see the website at www.brocku.ca/rodmanhall/education

To register by phone, contact the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257, or register online at www.arts.brocku.ca

Update on Search for Vice-President, Research

The Advisory Committee is pleased to announce the names of the three candidates for the position of Vice-President, Research:

- Dr. David A. Gauthier, Acting Vice-President (Research and International), University of Regina
- Dr. Liette Vasseur, Associate Vice-President, Research, Laurentian University;
- Dr. Daniel J. Weeks, Chair, Department of Psychology, Simon Fraser University

The candidates have been invited to Brock to meet with the Advisory Committee, Senior Administration, the Senate Research and Scholarship Policy Committee and Faculty. Each candidate will be making a public presentation to the Brock community on the following dates:

- Dr. Vasseur: Thursday, May 22 at 2 p.m.
- Dr. Gauthier: Tuesday, May 27 at 2 p.m.
- Dr. Weeks: Thursday, May 29 at 9 a.m.

All three presentations will be held in the E-Classroom.

The CVs of the applicants are available for review through the Office of the VP Academic and are also on reserve in the James A. Gibson Library. Members of the Brock community are encouraged to attend each of the presentations and are invited to make written submissions with respect to the suitability of each candidate for the position of Vice-President, Research. Anonymous submissions will not be accepted. Submissions will be confidential to the advisory committee and will be shredded on completion of the committee's work. Please direct submissions to: Terry Boak, Chair of the Advisory Committee, Re: Vice-President, Research, Office of the Provost and Vice-President, Academic, 13th Floor, Schmon Tower.

For further information, please contact Patrick Beard at pbeard@brocku.ca, or at ext. 4082; or Terry Boak at tboak@brocku.ca, or at ext. 4121.

The deadline for submissions is Thursday, June 5 at 4:30 p.m.

Faculty and Staff

CHEMISTRY

Prashanth Poddutoori presented a lecture entitled "Photoinduced Electron Transfer in AxialBis(Terpyridoxy)Phosphorus(V)Porphyrin: Towards Artificial Photosynthesis" at the 25th Eastern Regional Photosynthesis Conference in Wood's Hole, Mass., April 18 to 20.

Andrey Moiseev presented a poster entitled "A New Artificial Photosynthetic System: Two Zn(II) Porphyrin Donors joined via a Bis(dipyrromethane) metal Unit with Pyridyl Naphthalene Diimide Acceptors" at the same conference, while **Art van der Est** presented a poster entitled "Redox Potential Dependence of Forward Electron Transfer from A1 to Fx in Photosystem I."

CHILD AND YOUTH STUDIES

Shannon A. Moore and **Richard C. Mitchell** presented the paper "Rights-based restorative praxis: evaluating compliance with international standards" during the Youth Justice 2008: Measuring Compliance with International Standards conference at University College Cork, Ireland Centre for Criminal Justice and Human Rights on April 4 and 5.

COMMUNITY HEALTH SCIENCES

Deborah O'Leary and **Terrance Wade**, the latter who is also a Canada Research Chair in Youth and Wellness, provided an update on results from their Heart and Stroke Foundation Ontario-funded research, entitled "Keeping a Finger on the Pulse of Children: The Future Heart Health of Our Community" during the HSFO volunteer appreciation night in Vineland April 21.

HISTORY

Tami J. Friedman presented the paper "'If We are Pushed We Will Have to Leave': Capital Flight as a Corporate Anti-Labour Strategy in Postwar New York State," at the Business History Conference in Sacramento, Calif., on April 12. Friedman also presented the invited paper, "The 1950s: Era of Affluence, or Decade of Despair?" to the Economic History and Development Workshop, Department of Economics, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, on April 23.

MATHEMATICS

Two Statistics courses: MATH3P82 Regression Analysis, MATH5P84 Time Series Analysis and Stochastic Processes have been approved by VEE (Validation by Education Experience) Administration Committee of the Society of Actuaries for years 2007-10. To receive credit, candidates will need a grade of B or better in each of associated course.

The Department of Mathematics hosted the annual OAME Golden Section Spring Conference on Thursday, April 24. The topic was "Math: Just for the Fun of it." There were 80 mathematics educators attending the event, which was co-ordinated by Dot Miners.

MODERN LANGUAGES, LITERATURES AND CULTURES

Felipe Ruan presented the paper "Moriscos and Mestizos: Mapping Intermediate Identities in the Early Modern Hispanic World," at the Renaissance Society of America Annual Meeting in Chicago, on April 3. Ruan also co-organized, with Tracy Crowe-Morey, and chaired a panel session, "Early Modern Spanish and Colonial Latin American Identities: Literary and Historical Representations," at the Northeast Modern Languages Association Annual Convention in Buffalo, N.Y., on April 12.

MUSIC

Harris Loewen conducted the Niagara Vocal Ensemble and accompanist Lesley Kingham in a program entitled "A Folk Song Fiesta: Songs of Global Village" on April 20 in St. Catharines, as part of the Brock University Choral Series, and on April 23 in Fort Erie, as part of the Fort Erie Public Library's Adult Program Series. Pianist Karin di Bella and percussionist Devon Fornelli served as guest artists in the April 20 performance.

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Charles Burton made a statement and was questioned by the House of Commons Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Development on China policy for 90 minutes on April 17 as part of the Standing Committee's study on Canada-China Bilateral Human Rights Dialogue. Earlier the same day, he spoke to the Asia-Pacific Working Group of the Canadian Council for International Co-operation Spring Symposium on "Canada-China Relations." On April 16, Burton gave a public address at the University of Ottawa entitled "China in the World: Implications for Development."

PSYCHOLOGY

John Mitterer delivered a colloquium entitled "Only Connect: Some Reflections on Teaching" to the Psychology Department at the Northwest Mississippi Community College on April 10. Mitterer also delivered a colloquium entitled "Teaching Psychology Well" to the Psychology Department at the University of Mississippi (Ole Miss) on April 11.

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