

BrockNews

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

Brock's new president plans to be visible

Although recently appointed President and Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Jack Lightstone, doesn't officially take office until summer 2006, he intends to be visible in the Niagara region well before then.

"In some capacity, I expect that I will spend some time every month at Brock, particularly as the teaching semester comes to a close," says Lightstone. "While I've already had opportunity to meet with (Acting President and Vice-Chancellor) Terry Boak and (Vice-President, Administration) Steven Pillar, I would like to meet with wider circles of the Brock community in coming months."

The Board of Trustees announced the appointment of Lightstone as the new President and Vice-Chancellor during a special meeting held November 16. The appointment concludes a 10-month national search.

Lightstone is a Professor of Religion and Associate Chair in Quebec and Canadian Jewish Studies at Concordia University, in Montreal. He recently completed nearly a decade of service as Provost and Vice Rector (Vice-President) at Concordia. Serving as Brock's fifth President, he will take office effective July 1, 2006, for a five-year term.

"It is my intention to also get well acquainted with the Council of Ontario Universities, our local MPP, and the Mayor, among others," says Lightstone. "During the first while, I intend to do a lot more listening than talking."

Lightstone says he was attracted by the opportunity of providing leadership to Brock as it continues on its bold transformation to becoming a more comprehensive university offering more graduate programs and developing a greater research capacity.

"It gives me great pleasure to be part of the Brock University



Dr. Jack Lightstone, centre, was recently named President and Vice-Chancellor of Brock University. Lightstone is pictured with Professor Mohammed Dore, left, and Chancellor Dr. Raymond Moriyama, right, at a reception held Nov. 16.

community as it moves forward as a centre of undergraduate and graduate teaching and learning, and as a centre of research at the national and international levels," says Lightstone.

"I share many of the ideals and values of this University. In particular, I strongly support its direction of comprehensiveness. As the University looks to its future, it does not want to lose the many positive aspects of its historic mission. These include its connection to the local community and its strong tradition of being student centred.

"I look forward to working with many dedicated individuals and groups to continue Brock's proud tradition and to serve as an agent of change toward greater achievements."

A longtime Professor of Religion at Concordia, Lightstone was Chair of his department (1979-85) and graduate program director for the MA

in Judaic Studies and PhD in Religion. From 1989 to 1992, he served as Associate Vice-Rector, Academic (Research). He began his first term as Provost and Vice-Rector in June 1995, and led the academic sector through an extensive, ongoing academic planning process and a difficult period of budget restrictions. He graduated with a BA from Carleton University in 1972, and went on to complete an MA (1974) and PhD (1977) at Brown University in Rhode Island. He was a Visiting Research Graduate Fellow at Hebrew University in Jerusalem in 1974-75.

An expert on ancient and contemporary North American Judaism, he has written and lectured extensively. He remains an active scholar funded by external peer-reviewed grants. He is the author of six books and is widely published in

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Second phase underway for Brock's "front door"

Construction continues at Brock University to create a new highly visible "front door" on campus.

Plaza2006, a five-storey, 86,000-square-foot building, will house a diversity of "addresses" - student meeting areas, an expanded campus store, academic space, and the Lifespan Development Research Centre (LDRC), a facility that is unique in Canada.

Phase 1 of the project, which included roadway realignment and site preparation, was completed earlier. Located immediately adjacent to the east side of the Alumni Student Centre, the \$22.6 million complex is scheduled for completion in the fall of 2006.

The ground floor will contain a significantly expanded campus store and a direct link to the Alumni Student Centre. The second and third floors will house academic offices, computer labs, classrooms and seminar rooms. The upper two floors will contain LDRC research facilities.

2005-06 budget provides allowances for new faculty and staff at Brock University

The Brock University Board of Trustees recently approved a record \$175-million operating budget for the 2005-06 fiscal year. Included in this year's budget was the approval of 18 new faculty, one new librarian and 17 new staff positions, which will help the University meet the very high standards that students expect from an institution of higher learning.

This year's budget includes a \$13.3 million, or 8.2 per cent, increase in spending over last year to accommodate continued growth in programming, capital projects and salary and benefit costs at the University.

"Brock is well positioned to meet its goals for the upcoming academic year as the University continues its transition from a highly respected undergraduate institution to a broad-based comprehensive institution," said Acting President and Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Terry Boak. "While no single budget constitutes a solution to the underfunding of universities over the last decade, there is no question that the Ontario government has followed through on the recommendations of the Rae Report."

The basic operating grant from the Government of Ontario is estimated to be \$61,853,717 with total grants for the University valued at \$73,439,009.

To meet the growing demand for a Brock education, construction is currently under way on a \$22.6-million facility to house a new campus store, provide additional academic space and house the Lifespan Development Research Centre, a facility unique in Canada.

The University has already committed or commissioned more than \$87 million in campus expansion over the last five years with the construction of academic buildings, the Walker Complex - Niagara's largest recreational centre, student residences and other facilities.

Brock continues to be one of the leaders in the growth of applications among Ontario universities. As of September 2005, student enrolment is 17,000. In addition to the University's role as an educational and cultural centre for area residents, Brock has a significant and growing impact on the Niagara Region with an annual economic impact of \$265 million.

Brock News schedule

The final issue of Brock News for 2005 will be published on Wednesday, Dec. 14, with a submission deadline of Friday, Dec. 2.

The first Brock News issue of 2006 will be published on Wednesday, Jan. 11. The deadline for submissions to this issue is Friday, Dec. 16. Please continue to e-mail submissions to: campusnews@brocku.ca

Below are dates and submission deadlines for 2006:

Publication Date	Submission Deadline	Publication Date	Submission Deadline
January 11, 2006	December 16, 2005	July 12	June 30
January 25	January 13	July 26	July 14
February 8	January 27	August 9	July 28
February 22	February 10	August 23	August 11
March 8	February 24	September 6	August 25
March 22	March 10	September 20	September 8
April 5	March 24	October 4	September 22
April 19	April 7	October 18	October 6
May 3	April 21	November 1	October 20
May 17	May 5	November 15	November 3
May 31	May 19	November 29	November 17
June 14	June 2	December 13	December 1
June 28	June 16		

President's Holiday Celebration

All members of faculty and staff are cordially invited to attend the President's Holiday Celebration and Faculty and Staff Recognition, on Tuesday, Dec. 13, from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m., at the Pond Inlet Refectory.

Upcoming holidays

The University will be observing the following statutory holidays: Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day (New Year's Day Statutory holiday will be observed Monday, Jan. 2, 2006) and non-statutory holidays (3 days): Commencing at the end of regular business on Friday, Dec. 23, 2005 until regular morning opening on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2006.

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

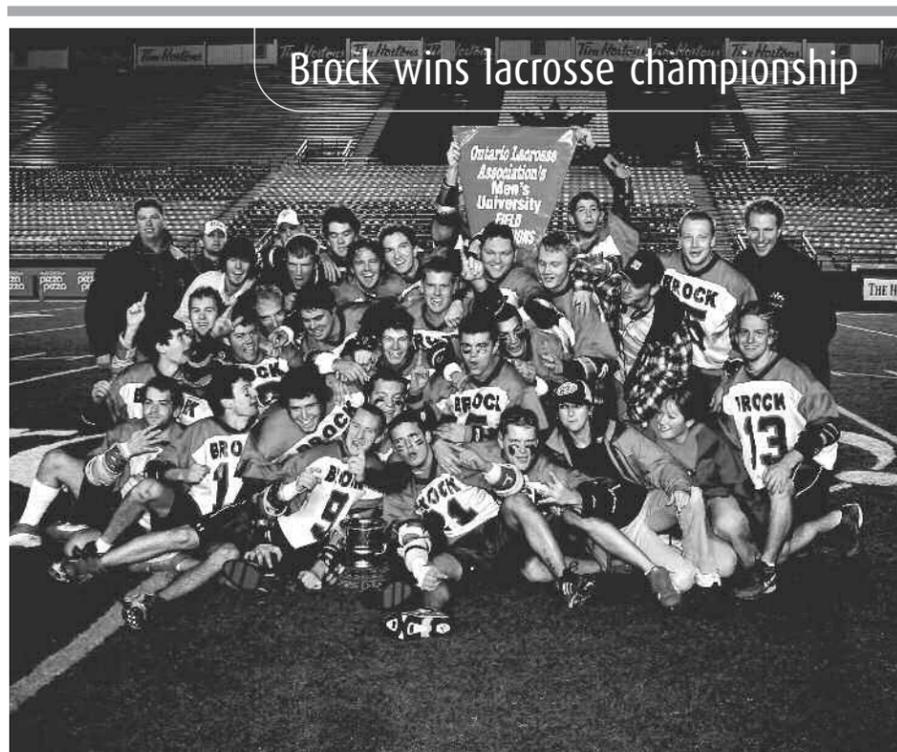
Voluntary work reduction for ongoing support staff

Voluntary unpaid time off (up to the equivalent of 20 days for full-time staff) will again be offered in 2006 to ongoing support staff members. For permanent staff, the additional time off and corresponding salary reduction will occur over the 2006 calendar year and time off may not be carried over into subsequent years. Specific leave arrangements (similar to vacation) must be discussed and approved with supervisors in advance and taken at a mutually agreed-upon time. Interested staff members should initially submit their proposals to their immediate supervisor, providing details, if known, of when the time off will be taken. Approval of proposals must recognize the 2006 operational requirements of the Department/Division. Issues to be considered are the impact such arrangements will have on other staff, customer service, alternative staffing and so on. All service areas are to be maintained for your internal and external customers. Questions regarding this program should be directed to Margo Carter in Human Resources, at ext. 3279; e-mail: mcarter@brocku.ca. Approved proposals, signed by supervisor(s) and Dean/Division Head, should be sent to Human Resources by Friday, Dec. 9, with approval confirmed in January 2006.

Top scholars recognized at the Annual Dean's Honours Dinners

The Faculties of Applied Health Sciences, Business, Mathematics and Science and Social Sciences each hosted their annual Dean's Honours Dinners this November to celebrate the students who were placed on the Dean's Honours List. This year saw another successful series of events, with 640 students, faculty and staff members in attendance.

Over a series of several evenings, the top student scholars in each faculty were honoured for their academic achievements, having attained an average of at least 80 per cent in the previous year. Collectively, a total of 1,541 of students achieved the Dean's List distinction.



For the second straight season, the Brock men's lacrosse team (10-1 CUFLA) were crowned Canadian University Field Lacrosse Association National Champions as they defeated the Guelph Gryphons 14-7 at Ivor Wynne Stadium. This was their fourth straight Baggataway Cup and 15th in the past 19 years.

Eleanor Misener Aquatic Centre Winter term swim registration

The Eleanor Misener Aquatic Centre will hold its Winter Term Community Swimming Registration beginning Monday, Dec. 12, at 9 a.m. Registration will continue until all programs are full.

To register, visit the Welcome Desk in the Walker Complex, or call 905-688-5550, ext. 4060. Payment by MasterCard or Visa accepted.

Courses include the New Lifesaving Learn to Swim, Skill Development and Fitness Program for Children and Adults, Masters Swimming, Competitive Swimming, Diving, Synchronized Swimming, Snorkeling,

Scuba (provided by Dan's Dan Shop), Red Cross and Lifesaving Society Safety and Leadership Training, Canoeing, BOAT Operator Accredited Training, First Aid and CPR Courses, and AquaFit.

Eleanor Misener Aquatic Centre All-Ages Fun Swims

Bring the family to All-Ages Fun Swims on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays throughout the year.

Call ext. 3787, or check the Brock University Aquatics website at www.brocku.ca/aquatics/pool/index.php for more information.

What's up at CCOVI?

The University community along with CCOVI's industry partners are invited to attend its first annual presentation of programs, activities and research on Friday, Dec. 2 from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Pond Inlet. Join CCOVI's Director, Dr. Isabelle Lesschaeve, along with the CCOVI team for updates on the OEVI program, Continuing Education and Outreach initiatives. The afternoon will focus on research from "Bugs, Baco and Bitterness" to "The Latest Dirt on Terroir." There is no charge to attend, but an RSVP is required if you wish to attend lunch. Call ext. 4949, e-mail: ccovi@brocku.ca or visit www.brocku.ca/ccovi/ for more information.

Senate News

The 532nd meeting of the Brock University Senate was held on Nov. 16. During the meeting, Senate approved:

- a proposal for a new PhD graduate program in Chemistry and that the proposal be forwarded to the Ontario Council on Graduate Studies (OCGS) for review and approval;
- a proposal for an Articulation Agreement between Durham College and Brock University for a four-year undergraduate degree in Psychology-Human Services Counsellor Diploma
- a proposal for an Articulation Agreement between Niagara College and Brock University - Niagara College Computer Programmer/analyst Diploma Program and Brock University Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science;

- the establishment of the Centre for Healthy Development through Sport and Physical Activity (CHDSPA);
- that the University structure the academic year for undergraduate programs to include 36 minimum contact hours per half credit and 72 minimum contact hours per full credit (adjusting for existing patterns of seminars, labs, studio time, and tutorials). This would normally constitute 12 full weeks in Fall and Winter terms with current Spring and Summer terms being adjusted accordingly. The Senate also received, in camera, a report from the Committee on the Presidency. For details and other matters considered by Senate during the meeting, go to: www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate/index.php

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In Memoriam

Professor Judith Blackwell, a former Chair of the Department of Sociology and a past member of the Brock University Senate, passed away suddenly on Nov. 22 from complications arising from a respiratory infection. She was 61.

Blackwell held a doctorate from the London School of Economics and was best known for her publications on the use of illicit drugs. She also served as an advisor on drug laws and drug policy in Canada and in England. In Sociology, she taught Social Policy, Law and Society, Psychiatric Sociology and Medical Sociology. She also co-taught a Women's Studies course on feminist theories and research strategies. Her most recent major publication was a book, co-authored with two sociology colleagues, entitled *Culture of Prejudice: Arguments in Critical Social Science* (2003).

Blackwell was a dedicated teacher, a staunch supporter of the women's studies program, and an active contributor to the University community. She will be sadly missed by her many friends and colleagues at Brock.

A memorial service will be held in the Rita Welch Meditation Centre on Thursday, Dec. 1 at 4 p.m.

Congratulations Brock from the United Way!

Congratulations to the employees at Brock for once again giving their support to the United Way. This year's campaign has once again exceeded the campaign goal. More than \$78,000 has been raised for the United Way, with some events still to be completed. Many thanks to all who supported this year's campaign!

- Your 2005 Campaign Executive

Brock nursing students benefit from funding

Nursing students at Brock University will soon be able to work with state-of-the-art equipment to enhance their education.

The Ontario government recently awarded \$550,500 to the University for the purchase of several anatomically correct, computer-run mannequins known as clinical simulation equipment.

The simulators are designed to exhibit human-like signs and symptoms of injury and responses to treatment.

"Clinical simulation equipment is invaluable in helping nursing students to learn clinical and patient assessment skills," said Health and Long-Term Care Minister George Smitherman. "These simulators enable students to mimic a real-life situation while learning to work their way through a clinical problem."

The funding is part of \$10 million being provided by the government to nursing schools across the province. The schools will use these funds to purchase equipment for simulation labs, which will be used to teach clinical and patient assessment skills to nursing students.

The initiative is part of the Ontario government's plan to build a health-care system that provides better access to doctors and nurses and reduces wait times.

Brock Briefs

Recruitment and Liaison seasonal celebration

Recruitment and Liaison Services invites the Brock community to celebrate the season with them at a Holiday Open House event as thanks for all the support they've received throughout the year. The event takes place Wednesday, Dec. 14 in TH261 from 2 to 4 p.m. Join Recruitment and Liaison staff for refreshments and holiday cheer! For more information, please contact Melissa Coleman, ext. 4685.

Influenza vaccination correction notice

Recently the Public Health Unit of Niagara publicized their planned Influenza Vaccination Clinics for the community for the fall. Please be advised that the inclusion of a clinic at Brock University on Dec. 7 was an error. There will be no vaccination clinic at the University on that day. Please contact the Public Health Unit at 905-688-8248 for information on upcoming clinics.

Let Continuing Education help you beat the winter blues

If you are looking for a way to stay active throughout the winter months, consider spending some time expanding your fiction writing skills, learning to speak Italian, examining how to detoxify your body, exploring Italian opera, studying the Niagara Region's Black history and Underground Railroad stories, discovering how scotch is made (with weekly sampling!), or learning how to communicate effectively in small groups. These are just a few of the many interesting courses offered through the Continuing Education department this coming

term. Browse our courses in the Winter 2006 Learning and Leisure Guide, and call ext. 4775 for further information or to register for the course of your choice. Since courses fill quickly, register early to avoid disappointment!

MA thesis defence

A Master of Arts thesis defence for Casey Gray, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, will be held on Thursday, Dec. 15 at 1 p.m. in WH147. The title of her thesis is "Organizational Commitment and Perceived Relatedness as Correlates of the Intention to Continue Officiating in Track and Field." Thesis Supervisor: Dr. Philip M. Wilson; External Examiner: Dr. Craig Hall, University of Western Ontario; Committee Members: Dr. Kim Gammage, Dr. Joanne MacLean; Chair: Dr. Michael Plyley. All are welcome!

"C.S. Lewis Across the Curriculum"

Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary and Brock University will be hosting a symposium entitled "C.S. Lewis Across the Curriculum," on the life and work of C.S. Lewis from March 19 to 21, 2006. A call for papers has gone out and both major presentations and sectionals will focus on the significance of Lewis's works in literature, education, ethics, theology, music, cinema, philosophy and other related areas. Sessions begin on the evening of Sunday, March 19, 2006, at 7 p.m., and continue through until Tuesday, March 21, 2006, at 12 noon. A banquet with Lewis-inspired entertainment will be held on the Monday evening. All presentations and sectionals will be held in spaces at Brock and the Seminary. For more information or to inquire on the submission process for papers, please contact concordia@brocku.ca or phone 905-688-2362.



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Day-care Fundraiser

The Rosalind Blauer Centre for Child Care will hold its Annual Penny Sale and Silent Auction on Tuesday, Dec. 6 and Wednesday, Dec. 7, in A Block of the Mackenzie Chown Complex. The hours of sale are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. There will be plenty of items to bid on to help you with your Christmas shopping. This is the Centre's biggest fundraising event of the year and we look forward to the continued support from the Brock community.

International Day of Disabled

Brock celebrates International Day of Disabled on Friday, Dec. 2, with guest speaker John Draper, who will present "Pioneers Rock: Building an Inclusive and Accessible University" in the Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. To pre-register, contact Joe Henry, Accessibility Co-ordinator, at ext.5226; e-mail: joe.henry@brocku.ca. This event is barrier free and sign language interpretation will be available.

"Elemental" exhibit opens in Niagara-on-the-Lake

Arnold J. McBay of the Department of Visual Arts recently launched the exhibition "Elemental" at the Niagara Pumphouse Visual Art Centre in Niagara-on-the-Lake. The exhibition, which runs from Dec. 4 to Jan. 29, features recent relief sculptures and drawings by McBay and the work of master raku potter Susan Wintrop. A special reception will be held on Dec. 4 at 2 p.m. at the Niagara Pumphouse Visual Art Centre, 247 Ricardo St.

Faculty and Staff

CHEMISTRY

Costa Metallinos presented a talk entitled "Approaches to Chiral Benzimidazolidenes Derived from Phenanthrolines," at the Canadian Society for Chemistry Conference in Saskatoon, Sask.

Brianna Slater and **Melanie Pilkington** attended the UK-molecular magnets network in Cambridge this September. Slater presented her work as a poster contribution during the four-day intensive workshop, entitled "Exploring Pentadentate Macrocycles as Useful Building Blocks for the Self-Assembly of Molecule-Based Materials."

EARTH SCIENCES

John Menzies gave an invited lecture entitled "Hydrodynamics at the Ice-Bed Interface - implications for Hydrocarbon reserves in Ontario," on Nov. 9 in London, Ont., at the 44th Annual Ontario Petroleum Institute Conference.

EDUCATION

John Novak was an invited speaker at the International Academy of Humanism World Conference at the State University of New York at Buffalo on Oct. 28. The title of his address was "Educational Living and the Quest for Reasonable Values."

Sharon Abbey attended the International Conference on Theorizing and Representing Maternal Subjectivities in Brisbane, Australia, from Sept. 29 to Oct. 1, where she presented a paper, entitled "The Maternity Factor for Young Women in School Administration." Abbey is co-founder and a board member of the Association for Research on Mothering (ARM) that sponsored the conference.

Ann-Marie DiBiase made a presentation, entitled "Pedagogical Practices of a Psychoeducation Program: EQUIP for Educators - Teaching youth (Grades 5-8) to Think and Act Responsibly," on Nov. 5 at the Harvard Graduate School of Education/ Association of Moral Education in Cambridge, MA.

Lissa Paul is one of two associate general editors (along with Lynne Vallone) of *The Norton Anthology of Children's Literature* published earlier this year. Jack Zipes is the General Editor, and Peter Hunt and Gillian Avery, Editors. This is the first Norton publication in children's literature. The Anthology has recently been positively reviewed in the New York Times, the Boston Globe, and the LA Times.

HISTORY

Tami J. Friedman presented a paper entitled, "Public Policy Confronts Capital Flight: Business, Labour, and the 'Business Climate' Debate in New York State," at the Researching New York 2005: Perspectives on Empire State History conference. The event was held at the University at Albany-State University of New York, in Albany, N.Y., from Nov. 17 to 18.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

Mike Laurence recently delivered an online webcast presentation, Sharing Expertise Through Videoconferencing, to a worldwide audience via Innovate Journal of Online Education and U LiveandLearn.

MATHEMATICS

Hichem Ben-El-Mechaiekh was the external referee for the very first PhD thesis to be submitted by a student at the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science of the Royal

Military College of Canada, Kingston, Ont. The successful thesis defence took place on Wednesday, Nov. 9, at the RMC. The topic of the thesis was on the applications of viability theory and optimal control to Lanchester models for military conflicts.

POLITICAL SCIENCE

David Siegel presented a paper at the biennial conference of the Association of Canadian Studies in the United States on "Assessing the Consequences of Municipal Amalgamations in Ontario," Nov. 16 to 20, in St. Louis, MO.

PSYCHOLOGY

On October 25, **John Mitterer** delivered a virtual guest lecture to an introductory psychology class at Georgian College. He was able to display PowerPoint overheads, graphics and digital video as well as his own voice and image. He was also able to interact with students at Georgian College. Thanks go out to Mike Laurence of Information Technology Services for the use of the videoconferencing equipment in WH147 and for his excellent technical support.

RECREATION AND LEISURE STUDIES

Glenn Stalker delivered a paper entitled, "Trends in the Location of Social Contact that Occur During Leisure Time," at the annual conference of the International Association for Time-use Research (IATUR), which was held in Halifax, N.S., from Nov. 2 to 4.

VISUAL ARTS AND GREAT BOOKS/LIBERAL STUDIES

Sally Hickson presented a paper, entitled "The Sincerest Form of Flattery: Margherita Paleologa, Bishop Ercole Gonzaga and copies after devotional drawings made by Michelangelo for Vittoria Colonna," at the annual Universities Art Association of Canada Meeting (UAAC) on Nov. 12 in Victoria, B.C.

Diane Borsato was a guest at the MFA studios at the University of Western Ontario, and delivered an artist talk on her own work, and that of other artists working in performance, interventionist practices, and sculpture. The presentation was part of the Visiting Lecturer Series in the department of Visual Arts at UWO on Nov. 11.

Publications

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Events



Centre for the Arts 2005/2006 Professional Entertainment Season: Tickets for the following events, unless sold out, are available at the Box Office, ext. 3257. **Jimmy Rankin with guest Gordie Sampson**, December 2, 7:30 p.m., Sean O'Sullivan Theatre; **The Maritime Marionettes: Rumpelstiltskin** (for ages 4+), December 4, 2:30 p.m., David S. Howes Theatre; **Cherish the Ladies: A Celtic Christmas**, December 7, 7:30 p.m., Sean O'Sullivan Theatre; **Michael Burgess** (Sold Out), December 10, 7:30 p.m., Sean O'Sullivan Theatre; **The Moscow Boys Choir** (Sold Out), December 15, 7:30 p.m., Sean O'Sullivan Theatre.



Brock University Film Society (BUFS): All films are shown Sunday evenings in the David S. Howes Theatre at 7 p.m. Annual BUFS membership is \$22; two for \$44. Membership provides reduced admission of \$6 to each screening and a reduced parking fee of \$3.

Members receive discounts from numerous local sponsors. Non-member admission for individual films is \$8. Non-member parking (pay lot D) is \$5. Memberships may be obtained at the door or from the Box Office, Centre for the Arts, 905-688-5550, ext. 3257, Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Dec. 4 - Yes (Sally Potter, UK/USA, 2004, 98 mins.) Starring Joan Allen (*Pleasantville*, *The Upside of Anger*, *The Contender*).

2005 Biological Sciences Fall Seminar Series: Thursday, Dec. 1: Dr. Belinda Chang, Department of Zoology, University of Toronto, will be speaking on "Shades of Jurassic Park: reconstructing ancestral visual pigments in the lab."

Thursday, Dec. 8: Dr. Robert R. Reisz, Department of Biology, University of Toronto at Mississauga, will be speaking on "Embryos of an Early Jurassic Prosauropod Dinosaur and their Evolutionary Significance."

All lectures take place every Thursday at 3:30 p.m. in MC H313. For more information, contact Dr. Adonis Skandalis at ext. 3399; e-mail: adonis.skandalis@brocku.ca

Department of Classics lectures: Sunday, Dec. 4, at 3 p.m., in Academic South 215, Professor **Robert Angus K. Smith**, Department of Classics, will present a public lecture, entitled "The Case of the Missing Kylikes: Life and Death in a Late Bronze Age Minoan Town." This event is co-sponsored by the Niagara Peninsula Society of the Archaeological Institute of America. Please contact the Department of Classics, at ext. 3575, for more information.

Christmas in Niagara: Join the Department of Music for an evening of seasonal favourites with selections by Percy Grainger and Leroy Anderson performed by the University Wind Ensemble on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 7 p.m., Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Tickets are available through the Box Office, ext. 3257. \$10/\$8 students and seniors.

Carol, Creche and Christmas Pops: The Department of Music's Choral Series continues on Sunday, Dec. 11 featuring The Niagara Vocal Ensemble - Harris Loewen, conductor. This elite ensemble of singers performs Conrad Susa's Spanish Christmas suite *Carols and Lullabies* (sung in English) and a selection of popular Christmas songs. St. George's Anglican Church, 83 Church St., St. Catharines, 3 p.m. Tickets available at the door, \$10/\$8 students and seniors.

Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW): The Canadian Federation of University Women St. Catharines is holding a Holiday Festival Dinner and Silent Auction with musical interlude and sing-a-long on Tuesday, Dec. 13 at 6 p.m., at the Four Points Sheraton Schmon Parkway. For information, please call 905-935-4115.

Niagara Symphony: The Niagara Symphony presents Holiday Pops on Saturday, Dec. 17 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 18 at 2:30 p.m. featuring Kim Selody as narrator and Darlene Jussila, contrabassoon. The event also features special guest percussion ensemble, the Malleheads. Tickets for this event range from \$25 to \$37. Tickets are \$10 for all students and there is a 10-per-cent discount for Brock staff, faculty and alumni. To order, please go online at www.niagarasymphony.org or call the Centre for the Arts Box Office, at ext. 3257.

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For rent: Four-bedroom house in the Village of Queenston. Renovated historic house, large living/dining and kitchen area, one full and one two-piece bathroom, five appliances, central air in beautiful area. Available immediately. \$1,200 per month, plus utilities. Call 905-262-4118 for more information. Please leave a message.

For Rent: Quiet, one-bedroom condo in mature building, Geneva Street location near the Fairview Mall. Available Jan. 1 or Feb. 1. \$700 inclusive (heat, hydro, parking). Large balcony, all appliances, partially furnished, secure entrance, laundry in building. Call 905-688-3192 for more information.

Dr. Jack Lightstone appointed new President

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scholarly and professional journals. He is fluent in English, French and Hebrew.

Lightstone has broad administrative experience demonstrated throughout his nine years as Concordia's Provost and Vice-Rector and other administrative assignments. He was involved in almost all bodies of the University's central governance - chair of the Senate Committee on Academic Plans and Priorities, Senate Research Committee, Senate Academic Programs Committee; member ex officio of Senate and the

Senate's Steering Committee as well as the Board of Governors.

Lightstone has made valuable contributions to post-secondary education in Quebec. He served on, and for a two-year period chaired, the Academic Affairs Committee of the Conference des Recteurs et Principaux des Universites de Quebec (CREPUQ, the Quebec parallel of the Ontario Council of Universities).

Lightstone, 54, was born and raised in Ottawa, Ont. He is married to Dorothy Markiewicz, PhD. They have two children.

Brock's Miller honoured at Women of Influence Luncheon



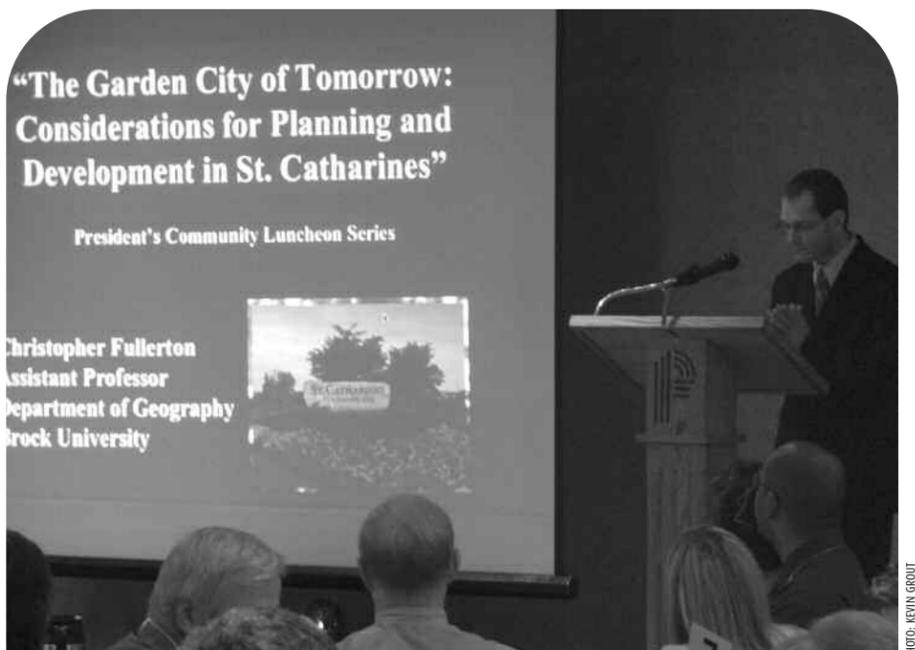
Melissa Miller with Brock Women's Hockey head coach Todd Erskine at the OUA Women of Influence Luncheon.

Brock student Melissa Miller was one of several scholar-athletes honoured by the Ontario University Athletics (OUA) on Nov. 1 at the third annual Women of Influence Luncheon at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto. The event honours female student-athletes who have excelled in their chosen sports and fields of study.

Entering her fifth season in the Badgers' women's hockey program, Miller has been a key contributor to the Brock team. In 22 games last season, the Enterprise, Ont. native set a career high of nine points, scoring one goal and adding eight assists. Miller's biggest contributions come in the defensive end where she is widely recognized as one of the most reliable

and consistent players in the OUA at her position, evidenced by her second team all-star status for the past two seasons. She ranks first on Brock's all-time games-played list with 85 and is normally called upon to play 30 minutes per game. Miller, an assistant captain for the past three years, has been the recipient of both the Brock Hockey Leadership Award and Brock President's Award from 2003 to 2005. Her accomplishments in the classroom are equally impressive. The former Physical Education major and current Education student is a two-time Academic All-Canadian and has been an OUA Academic Achievement award winner in each of her first four years at Brock.

PRESIDENT'S COMMUNITY LUNCHEON



Geography Professor Chris Fullerton spoke to more than 100 guests at the Nov. 23 President's Community Luncheon, held in partnership with the St. Catharines Chamber of Commerce. In his presentation, entitled *The Garden City of Tomorrow: Considerations for Future Planning and Development in St. Catharines*, Fullerton explained why the Official Plan Review represents an excellent opportunity for local residents to express their opinions about community planning matters, and proposed some big picture issues that should not be forgotten as part of this process.

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