

Salvadoran delegation collaborating with Brock faculty

Three delegates from El Salvador paid a three-day visit to Brock on Oct. 16 to speak about the role of physical activity in the healthy development of their country.

The delegates included Professor Julian Marrero, Director of Teacher Training of Pedagogica University; Professor Roberto Hernandez, Career Advisor for Physical Education of Pedagogica University; and Licenciado Luis Mario Pineda Velasquez, President of the Association of Physical Education Professors from Santa Ana.

They joined John Corlett, Dean of the Faculty of Applied Health Sciences; James Mandigo, Assistant Professor of Physical Education and Kinesiology; and Gemma Barreda, Project Co-ordinator for Centre for Healthy Development through Sport and Physical Activity, to deliver a presentation, entitled "Physical Education in El Salvador: Its Role in the Reconstruction and Healthy Development of the Country." The three delegates from El Salvador are also participants in Brock International's Visiting International Scholar program.

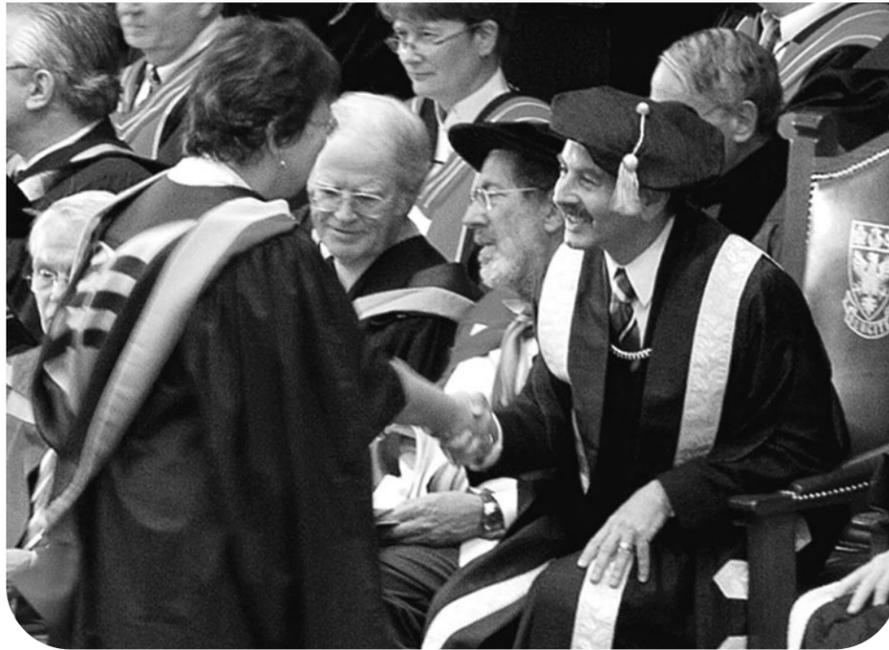
Since 2005, the Faculty of Applied Health Sciences at Brock has been working in collaboration with Scotiabank, Pedagogica University and the Ministry of Education in El Salvador to develop a national child development strategy that involves training teachers to become health and physical education experts.

The Centre for Healthy Development through Sport and Physical Activity at Brock works with local partners in the Caribbean and El Salvador towards building the infrastructure necessary to actively engage and empower physical educators as part of their nation-building process.

Interruption of Normal Operations

With winter approaching, faculty, staff and students are urged to review the "Interruption of Normal Operations Policy" that can be accessed by a link on the Brock homepage. The policy guides decisions to cancel classes and other activities due to inclement weather and otherwise. It also advises how to access information about the University's status in a timely way. Faculty members are reminded that if they should cancel a class while scheduled classes continue, they are responsible for the timely notification of students.

Lightstone installed as Brock's fifth President



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The long-term future of any region in Canada is inextricably linked to its colleges and universities, working in partnership and in their respective spheres, he said. The

nation and the region need populations with an increased proportion of women and men with bachelor's degrees, and with many more persons with master's and doctoral degrees.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Brock researcher awarded 2006 Polanyi Prize for Literature



James Allard

James Allard, Assistant Professor in the Department of English Language and Literature at Brock University, has been awarded the 2006 Polanyi Prize for Literature.

Allard, who specializes in British Romantic literature and culture, was recognized for his research on "patient narratives." This project examines writings, by and about medical patient narratives, and seeks to explore the creation of the idea of the "patient" in the late-18th and early-19th centuries. The award presented to Allard on Oct. 25, at Massey College in Toronto, also celebrated the 20th anniversary of the Polanyi Awards. The presentation of the 2006 awards was attended by King Carl XVI Gustaf and Queen Silvia of Sweden; Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty; and University of Toronto Chancellor David Peterson.

In honour of the achievement of Canadian scientist John Charles Polanyi, recipient of the 1986 Nobel Prize in Chemistry, Ontario established the fund to provide annually up to five prizes to outstanding researchers in the early stages of their career who are continuing to post-doctoral studies or who are on faculty of an Ontario university.

The prizes have a value of \$15,000 each and are available in the areas broadly defined as Physics, Chemistry, Physiology or Medicine, Literature and Economic Science.

For more information, go to www.brocku.ca and click on "more news."

President to address Chamber of Commerce

President Jack Lightstone will address members of the St. Catharines and Thorold Chambers of Commerce on Thursday, Nov. 30, as part of a series of community visits. The luncheon meeting, also open to the public, will be held at the Quality Hotel Parkway Convention Centre, 327 Ontario St., in St. Catharines. Tickets, \$25, are available by contacting Christine Alic at ext. 3245 or e-mail: calic@brocku.ca

Mark Your Calendar!

Brock's annual Fall Preview Day will be held on Sunday, Nov. 5 from 1 to 4 p.m. This event is held for prospective students, parents and the general public. Fall Preview Day is a critical part of the University's recruitment process, as it occurs just before prospective students will be determining to which universities they will apply. If you have any questions about your role in Fall Preview Day, or how you can become involved, please contact Melissa Coleman at ext. 4685 or via e-mail at mcoleman@brocku.ca

Update on Sept. 20 incident

Over the past several weeks, the University has held debriefing sessions on the emergency response incident that took place on Sept. 20, 2006.

The debriefing sessions involved members of the University's Crisis Management Group and Emergency Response Team as well as the police and fire commanders who led the response and investigation into a suspicious postcard delivered to the 12th floor of Schmon Tower and the subsequent discovery of suspicious white powder in the Walker Complex.

The debriefing discussions have helped the University gain clarity on the day's developments given the circumstances of a quick moving and complex response as the University exercised its due diligence in the matter. The incident involved three campus locations (the 12th floor of Schmon Tower, the mailroom in Mackenzie Chown Complex and the Walker Complex), the quarantine of a total of 16 staff people and a joint decision by NRP and Campus Security to lock down approximately 100 people in an area of the Walker Complex.

The Brock community was caught up in a response that involved personnel from the Niagara Regional Police Service, St. Catharines Fire Department, Niagara Regional Hazardous Materials Management Team, Niagara Emergency Medical Services and the Niagara Region Public Health Department. As well, the ordeal attracted national media attention.

The incident had the best conclusion possible in that tests determined neither the postcard nor the powder contained harm-causing agents. However, the concern and inconvenience to many faculty, staff, and students during the course of the approximately four-hour incident was regrettable.

The activation of the University's new Emergency Protocol, early in the incident of Sept. 20, resulted in many necessary and important decisions being made that may not have otherwise been taken throughout the incident. Emergency planning at the University has been in development for the past year. It provides an operational framework for managing emergency response and recovery with the overriding theme of ensuring "safety first" for all members of the Brock community.

However, the incident of Sept. 20 has served to clearly identify areas for improvements to our plan. Most specifically, one of our greatest priorities is to address processes and resources necessary to manage all communications — from the operational information sharing at the Command Post, to the

distribution of accurate and timely details to the Brock community, general public, and media. Also, we must review the demands for University personnel, as well as the training involved, to support emergency operations.

Here are several considerations in support of the plan's ongoing development:

- Adequate and reliable communications systems are critical to our success in managing these events.
- Appropriate linkages between external and internal command groups are essential for quality decisions.
- Providing the external media with timely, accurate information reduces the opportunity for misinformation being reported.
- The University Emergency Warden System personnel must be properly trained and prepared to support emergency operations.
- Deans and department heads must be informed early in an event to allow for timely reports to staff and students and reduce apprehension and speculation.
- Timely production and dissemination of internal messages are essential for reduced anxiety and appropriate direction.
- Internal education regarding a website available for timely updates may offer the best information solution.
- Threat assessment training and knowledge about Emergency Services operations should be available to department heads.
- Crowd control mechanism and support staff should be available to reduce need for assigning trained security personnel.

There is no question that the experience of Sept. 20 provided a critical learning opportunity. That learning experience is invaluable as we move forward in developing annexes — specific action plans — to support the existing operational framework.

The University's Emergency Management Protocol is available on the web at: www.brocku.ca/campussecurity/em/mp/em_protocol.pdf. As well, comments about emergency management planning at the University can be directed to Mike Agnew, Emergency Life Safety Officer, ext. 5335, magnew@brocku.ca

Events of an emergent nature may and will occur — each having their own unique set of circumstances. The University is confident that our plan will continue to provide actions and measures to protect the life, health, safety and welfare of faculty, staff, students and visitors.

Steven Pillar
Vice-President, Finance and Administration and Chair, Crisis Management Group

Advising the Faculty of Humanities



Rosemary Hale, Dean of Humanities, recently hosted a meeting of the Humanities Advisory Council at the Keefer Mansion Inn on Tuesday, Oct. 10. The group, representing the interests and needs of the community, meets three times a year to advise the Faculty, through the Dean, on issues that have the most significant impact on the accomplishment of the Faculty's mission and strategy and to assist in the development of long-term planning and special initiatives in the Humanities at Brock.

Pictured, from left, Milan Plentai, Hannelore Hedley, Anne McPherson, Marilyn Walker, David MacKenzie, Colleen Blake, Rosemary Hale, and Judy Casselman. Absent from the photo are Council members Thomas Pennacchietti and Del Daignault.

School of Fine and Performing Arts presents...

Dramatic Arts

The Department of Dramatic Arts presents their first main stage student production of the 2006/07 season: "Ring Round the Moon (L'invitation au château)," by Jean Anouilh, adapted by Christopher Fry, directed by Virginia Reh, with set and costume designed by David Vivian. The production will be held in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre, from Nov. 16 to 18 at 8 p.m.

Comic antics in the gardens of Madame Desmortes' chateau. Can her cynical nephew Hugo save his gentle twin brother Frederic from marriage to the wealthy sophisticated Diana? A comedy of manners about a society on the brink of extinction.

Tickets for "Ring Round the Moon" are \$10 for adults, \$7 for students and seniors, and are available for purchase by contacting the Centre for the Arts Box Office, at ext. 3257.

Music

Brock Department of Music is proud to present internationally acclaimed baritone Anthony Brown in an afternoon of Afro-American Spirituals on Monday, Nov. 6, at 1 p.m. in the Concordia Lutheran Seminary Chapel, Brock University.

Visual Arts

The Department of Visual Arts is pleased to announce that guest artist Linda Duvall will be delivering a lecture on Wednesday, Nov. 15, at 5 p.m., in the GLN 162 Studio (across from the main campus). Duvall's work takes the form of installation, performance, video projection, multichannel audio, and the appropriation of commercial technological devices. For more information on Linda Duvall, please visit her website at www.lindaduvall.ca

For more information on any of these events, please visit www.brocku.ca/finearts

Society in Transition series continues Nov. 23

The Faculty of Social Sciences continues its 2006 Society in Transition Lecture series on Thursday, Nov. 23, with Alan Borovoy, one of Canada's best-known social activists. Borovoy will present "Civil Liberties 2006: Current and Growing Danger."

Borovoy is the General Counsel of the Canadian Civil Liberties Association (CCLA). In standing up for the underdog, Borovoy and the

CCLA do battle with anyone, or an institution, that put at risk freedom of expression, equality, and procedural fairness.

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

The lecture will take place in the David S. Howes Theatre, starting at 8 p.m.

Nursing program continues to innovate through accreditation process

It has been six years since the inception of the Nursing program at Brock University and Loyalist College. The program is now undergoing the first full nursing accreditation process with the Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing (CASN) which will take place sometime in March 2007.

In order to prepare for the process, the faculty accreditation co-ordinator, Janet Matthews, led a successful Brock University/Loyalist College Accreditation Focus Group Day on Sept. 27, in St. Catharines. A wide representation of nursing professionals were invited to attend for their valued input and discussion in the focus groups. Participants included the Niagara Region's public health and seniors programs, West Lincoln Memorial Hospital, Niagara Health System, Heart Niagara, VON, Niagara College, Alzheimer's Society, Community Care Access Centres, Hotel Dieu Shaver Rehab Hospital, Centre for Addiction and Mental

Health, Humber River Regional Hospital-Toronto, North Hamilton Community Health Centre, Hamilton Health Sciences, Loyalist College, Wellspring Niagara, independent practice, adjunct faculty and Brock faculty members.

The four focus groups concentrated discussion and program review on the following:

1. Contextual issues for the present and future education of nurses in Niagara
 2. Curriculum discussion for the education of nurses in Niagara
 3. Outcomes of our program for individual nurses and the workplaces of nurses in Niagara
 4. Partnering in nursing in Niagara
- The information gathered from the meetings is currently in the process of being collated and will be used in the accreditation documents.

Brock Briefs

MA thesis defence

English student Andre Cormier will present his thesis defence, entitled "Disabled Legislators: Disability and Irish Colonial Pathology in 'Ulysses'," on Friday, Nov. 3, at 2 p.m., at 573 Glenridge Ave., in GL 201. Supervisor: Tim Conley; External Examiner: Michael Groden, University of Western Ontario.

Flower Sale for United Way

Show your appreciation for only \$2 per stem, all proceeds going to the United Way campaign. The third annual flower sale will be held Friday, Nov. 3. Call Jeanette Davis at ext. 3163 for more details.

Child and Youth Studies Careers Night

On Wednesday, Nov. 8, the Department of Child and Youth Studies will hold its annual Careers Night, in South Block, Room 216, from 7 to 9 p.m. Students will have an opportunity to hear what career decisions some of Brock's Child and Youth Studies graduates have made and discover where they are now.

Contact Alison Lahn, at ext. 4299, or e-mail alahn@brocku.ca for further information.

Walk@Brock

With the inclement weather approaching, Walk@Brock will once again provide faculty and staff with an opportunity for getting away from the desk and/or work area and be physically active. Research indicates that walking has many benefits including:

- helping to prevent heart disease and stroke by improving cholesterol levels, blood flow, and heart function,
- reducing blood pressure and preventing adult-onset diabetes by reducing body fat,
- helping to prevent bone loss and osteoporosis.

Join Marilyn Chute, a master race walker, on Wednesday, Nov. 8, at 12 noon, at the Welcome Desk in the Tower for a guided tour of Brock's walking routes. Registration forms for participation in this program will be available. For further information, please e-mail: walkatbrock@brocku.ca or contact Lynn Hunter-Hope at ext. 3482

Honours Information Session

On Monday, Nov. 13, the Department of Child and Youth Studies will hold an Information Session for Child and Youth Studies students interested in applying for Year

4 Honours for September 2007. This event will be held in South Block, Room 204, from 4 to 5 p.m. Contact Alison Lahn, at ext. 4299 or e-mail alahn@brocku.ca for further information.

National Ballet School auditions

On Monday, Nov. 6, the National Ballet School of Canada will hold day-long auditions in the Brock Dance Studio starting at 8:30 a.m. This is the first time that the Ballet School has conducted auditions at the University. The Ballet School will also conduct a two-hour workshop for Brock PEKN students from 12 noon to 2 p.m. For more information about this event, please contact Barbara Kennedy, Movement Specialist in the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology, at ext. 4143; e-mail: bkennedy@brocku.ca

Dance students recreate Cinderella

Barbara Kennedy's PEKN 3P16 and 2P06 dance classes participated in a special workshop on Oct. 27, in the Brock Dance studio, delivered by principal dancers from Ballet Jörgen, Canada's fifth largest ballet company. The guest artists and students re-created the ballroom scene from the ballet "Cinderella," which was also presented by the Company in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre the following evening. During the guest lecture, students had the opportunity to learn the Grandma Dance, a stylized theatrical version of the waltz and the mazurka.

Privacy and information learning sessions

Staff and faculty are invited to learn about best practices, and their responsibilities under the new privacy legislation. Sign up for an information session offered by Brock's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Office. These interactive sessions will introduce the five key areas of privacy information management and answer frequently asked questions such as posting student marks, collecting personal information, and proper storage of records.

Two sessions will be offered: Tuesday, Nov. 7, from 9 to 10 a.m., in the Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber; or Thursday, Nov. 9, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon, in AS 201. The facilitator for the sessions is Marion Hansen, Freedom of Information and Privacy Co-ordinator at Brock. Sign up for one of these information sessions, at www.brocku.ca/hr/training/focus/

Brock Days success

This year's Brock Days was a fabulous success, with unprecedented

participation from graduates, students, staff and faculty. I would like to congratulate and thank the hard working members of the Brock Days Committee: Kabir Abdurrahman, Graeme Billingham, Brad Clarke, Terry Cockerline, Jamie Fleming, Luaine Hathaway, Lynne Irion, Marilou Iusi, Christine Jones, Heather Junke, Kithio Mwanzia, Sara Palmieri, Shelley Pooley, Kristen Smith and Barb Tatarnic.

I would also like to thank Printing Services, Food Services, the Brock Bookstore and the Office of University Communications for their contributions to our committee and the events. There are many others not mentioned who also contributed their time and efforts to the committee; we thank everyone for your support.

It has been a pleasure working with all of you and I look forward to next year!

- Amy Elder,
Chair, Brock Days Committee

Fair trade lecture

Stacey Toews will be speaking at Brock on Tuesday, Nov. 7, from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m., in the Alumni Lounge, on Fair Trade and the Global Impact of Consumption. Toews is the co-founder of Level Ground Trading and founder of Fair Trade Concepts. For more information, contact the Office of International Services.

10,000 Villages crafts

10,000 Villages will be at Brock from Nov. 6 to 10, in The Gallery. This is a fair trade organization which sells crafts from many countries. A part of the proceeds goes towards the annual sponsorships of our WUSC refugee students. For more information, contact the Office of International Services.

International students share stage with Walter Ostanek

Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary is proud to present "Dancing with the Students: An Evening of International Dance" on Friday, Nov. 17, at Club Heidelberg, located at 569 Lake St., in St. Catharines.

This year's seminary students come from a wide variety of ethnic backgrounds including Russian, Sudanese, Somali, Chinese, Pakistani, Taiwanese, Korean, Scottish, and German. In an effort to give them the opportunity to share their cultures with one another and the community at large, the seminary is hosting an event designed to showcase ethnic dances performed by the students.

Health Fair 2006

The Brock community is invited to have fun while learning about current health issues when Health Services hosts its annual Health Fair on Monday, Nov. 6, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the Ian D. Beddis Gymnasium.

For more information, please visit www.brocku.ca/healthservices/healthfair.php or contact Student Health Services, at ext. 4136.

Second annual Career Expo

Career Services will host its second annual Career Expo on Tuesday Nov. 7, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the Ian D. Beddis Gymnasium.

Career Expo encompasses four distinct areas of opportunity for Brock students and graduates including: full- and part-time job opportunities, post-graduate educational information, volunteer opportunities and professional development.

For more information, please visit www.mycareerexpo.com, or contact Lisa Kuiper at ext. 3376 or lkuiper@brocku.ca

2007 Edutravel Information Night

Opera Italia, Great Cathedrals of Europe and a Baltic Cruise - these are just some of the exotic trips that will be offered by Brock University's Edutravel program in 2007.

On Monday, Nov. 6, at 7:30 p.m., at the Rodman Hall Arts Centre, Brock's Continuing Education Department will hold an information session for those people interested in learning about three of next year's Edutravel excursions. Guests will have opportunity to meet the trip hosts, fellow travel enthusiasts and enjoy refreshments. For more information, please visit www.brocku.ca/communityservices/continued/edutavel.php

Events

Music@Noon: The Department of Music presents the following Faculty recitals: Patricia Dydnansky, flute and Dr. Erika Reiman, piano on Tuesday, Nov. 7; and Timothy White, trumpet and Lesley Kingham, piano on Tuesday, Nov. 14. All performances take place in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre, 12 noon to 12:50 p.m. with free admission.

Department of Physics and Earth Sciences: Dr. Gary Timco, Brock graduate and group leader, Cold Regions Technology, Canadian Hydraulics Centre, National Research Council of Canada, will present "Ice Loads on Arctic Structures: Where's the Physics in That?" on Friday, Nov. 3, at 2:30 p.m., in AS 202.

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

Upcoming events for November: Juan de Marcos Afro-Cuban All Stars, Nov. 2; The Philosopher Kings with James Bryan, Nov. 3; *An Evening with Groucho* (David S. Howes Theatre), Nov. 25; Chantal Kreviazuk with Raine Maida, Nov. 29; Classic Albums Live: Led Zeppelin - *Led Zeppelin II*, Nov. 30.

Brock University Film Society (BUFS): On Nov. 5, *Riding Alone For Thousands of Miles*, directed by Zhang Yimou (*Hero*, *The House of Flying Daggers*) will be presented. *Half Nelson*, winner of the Grand Jury Prize at the 2006 Sundance Film Festival, stars Ryan Gosling (*The Notebook*) and shows on Nov. 12. On Nov. 19, BUFS is very pleased to present Jennifer Baichwal's documentary, *Manufactured Landscapes*, named the Best Canadian Feature at the 2006 Toronto International Film Festival. This screening is generously co-sponsored by the Department of Visual Arts. Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance through the Brock Centre for the Arts Box Office. Prices are \$6 for BUFS members and students, \$8 for non-members. Memberships are also available through the Centre for the Arts. Call Amanda Bishop at ext. 3553 for more information.

Chemistry Department Fall Seminar Series: Friday, Nov. 3: Dr. Judith Storch, Rutgers University, New Jersey, will be speaking on "Structural and Functional Analysis of Intracellular Lipid-Binding Proteins." Friday, Nov. 10: Dr. Rob Batey, University of Toronto, will be speaking on "Recent Advances in the Synthesis of Alkaloids and Nitrogen Heterocycles." The location for all talks is MC H313 at 12 noon.

Faculty and Staff

APPLIED LINGUISTICS

Thomas S.C. Farrell has published an edited book: *Language Teacher Research in Asia* (Alexandria, VA: TESOL Publications) in which he also authored two chapters. Farrell is also the series editor of *The Language Teacher Research Series*, which has six volumes covering Africa, the Americas, Asia, Europe, the Middle East, and New Zealand/Australia. Each account of research presented in the series documents how individual language teachers at all levels of practice systematically reflect on their own practice.

CHEMISTRY

Jeffrey Atkinson recently made the following invited presentations:

- "Chemical Investigations of Tocotrienols," presented at the Sixth Confederation of Scientific and Technological Associations in Malaysia/Society for Free Radical Research: Workshop: Micronutrients, Oxidative Stress, and the Environment, held in Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia, from June 29 to July 4, 2006.
- "Bioorganic Chemistry of Tocopherols and Tocotrienols," presented at the Department of Environmental and Occupational Health, University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health, in Pittsburgh, Pa., on May 25, 2006.
- "Bioorganic Chemistry of Tocopherols and Tocotrienols," presented at the School of Medicine, University of Alabama at Birmingham, in Birmingham, Ala., May 18, 2006.
- "An Introduction to Biotechnology," presented to non-technical employees of Amgen, Canada, in Mississauga, Ont., on Nov. 8, 2006, through the Biotechnology Human Resource Council of Canada.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

Four Brock faculty members: **Greg Betts** (English), **Tim Conley** (English), **Terrence Cox** (Music), and **Adam Dickinson** (English) participated in "Transmissions: An Anti-Symposium," an event held at the Niagara Artists' Centre on Oct. 6. The event featured readings and performances by a variety of artists and writers. The event was organized by Andre Cormier and Laird Barrett, two MA students in the English Department.

GEOGRAPHY

Ebru Ustundag presented a paper, entitled "'Safe City' as a 'Democratic City': The Paradox of Europeaness in Istanbul" at the 13th Annual Critical Geography Mini-Conference, hosted by the Department of Geography at the Ohio State University, from Oct. 13 to 15.

ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOUR, HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT, ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND ETHICS

Kojo Saffu recently presented the following papers at the 51st World Conference of International Council of Small Business in Melbourne, Australia in June 2006:

- "Strategic Value and E-Commerce Adoption: An Empirical Study of SMEs in Ghana," with **John Walker**
- "A Study of the Performance Factors of Small Tourism Ventures," with S. Aporih and A., Mensah
- "Strategic Planning and Business Practices and Firm Performance in Arabian Gulf Region," with A. Yusuf

John Walker and **Kojo Saffu** presented a paper, entitled "Country of Origin Effect and Consumer Attitudes to a Buy Local Campaign: A Comparison of Slovakian Consumer Groups," at the Sixth International Conference on Knowledge, Culture and Change in Organisations" held in Prato, Italy in July 2006.

PHILOSOPHY

R. Raj Singh presented the following research papers in international academic events:

- "Gandhi and World Peace," at the 16th Symposium of the Academie du Midi, held at Alet-les-Baines, France, June 8, 2006.
- "Heidegger on World and Death," at the University of Madras, Chennai, India, Aug. 24, 2006.
- "Schopenhauer and Vedanta," at the Univeristy of Tirupati, Tirupati, A.P., India, Aug. 25, 2006.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND KINESIOLOGY

Kelly Lockwood presented at the inaugural SPIN Summit: Powering Sport Performance with Science and Technology in Victoria, B.C., from Oct. 2 to 4. The title of the presentation was "Plastic Ice: Yet another sexy training device."

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Ingrid Makus presented a paper on "Nietzsche's Criticism of Socratic Reason" at the 10th meeting of the International Society for the Study of European Ideas, held at the University of Malta in July 2006.

PRE-SERVICE EDUCATION

Peter Vietgen was invited by the Department of Integrated Studies in Education at McGill University to present a lecture on Sept. 21. The title of his lecture was "Exploring Issues of Violence, Gender and Diversity through the Visual Arts Curriculum."

SOCIOLOGY

On Oct. 7, **Dennis Soron** presented a paper, entitled "Driven to Drive: Cars and the Problem of 'Compulsory Consumption'" at *autoConsequences: Automobiliation and its Social Implications*, a conference held at Simon Fraser University in Vancouver, B.C.

VISUAL ARTS

Duncan MacDonald recently travelled to Paris, France to oversee the installation of a collaborative performance/installation artwork with French artist Emmanuelle Raynaut. The artwork, entitled *ma botte secrète*, was exhibited in the historical courtyard of Bibliothèque Forney as part of the citywide art event Nuit Blanche.

A recent video art work completed in a residency at La Cité Internationale des Arts (Paris, France) by MacDonald, *several attempts at crying on demand* (2005), was recently purchased by Oakville Galleries. Duncan wishes to express sincere gratitude to the Canada Council for the Arts in funding this residency and production.

Recent drawings by MacDonald will be exhibited in Toronto's International Art Fair from Nov. 10 to 13 by pm gallery (visit: www.pmgallery.ca for more information).

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