

# BrockNews

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

## Chancellor's Chairs for Research Excellence Announced

Brock University has named four 2007 Chancellor's Chairs for Research Excellence. They are Professor Michael Ashton from Department of Psychology, Professor Dirk DeClercq from the Department of Organizational Behaviour, Human Resources Management, Entrepreneurship and Ethics, Professor John Hay from Community Health Sciences and Professor Hans-Georg Moeller from the Department of Philosophy.

The Brock award recognizes individuals who demonstrate excellence in their scholarly research and creative abilities, and have made exceptional contributions to the advancement of their field. Successful nominees receive a three-year grant to undertake a specific program of research leading to a significant development in their scholarship. Recipients of the award will also present a lecture on their research to the Brock community during the upcoming academic year.

"This year's Chancellor's Chairs represent an investment in Brock's future as a comprehensive, more research-intensive University," says Michael Owen, Associate Vice-President, Research and International Development. "These awards acknowledge and support those faculty members with innovative ideas, great potential and a commitment to translating their research into programs and publications accessible to scholars, communities, and our economy."

Ashton is a social psychologist specializing in personality variations. His research will examine the political views that may be related to certain dimensions of personality and explore the possibility of predicting ethical decisions based on those traits.

From the individual to the corporate to the national level, De Clercq looks at the factors that motivate, inform and shape venture capitalism. His research will explore the impact of entrepreneurs on the innovation levels within a country.

Hay is an expert in pediatric health and exercise. Analyzing his existing research database on the health and physical activity levels of Niagara children, he will develop gender- and age-based tools to assess children's perceptions of their own physical activity. He will also evaluate interventions designed for children with Developmental Co-ordination Disorder.

Building on his recent book, *Luhmann Explained*, Moeller will examine current conceptions of civil society and the potential drastic effects of implementing the theories of the controversial German social theorist.

Created in 2001, the Chancellor's Chairs 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 University's transition from a primarily undergraduate to a comprehensive, research-intensive institution.

## Athletes still standing after 'Try a Triathlon' event



Competitors from across the campus came together recently to participate in the first ever "Try a Triathlon" hosted by Campus Security Services.

There were no podiums or national anthems at the end of Campus Security's first "Try a Triathlon", but participating athletes came away feeling like champions nonetheless.

On July 31 in blistering heat, 27 athletes of varying abilities swam, cycled and ran to complete the event. Thirteen individual competitors, four teams of three and one team of two gave their all in the exciting and personally rewarding challenge. There were a few laughs along the way and no one was injured.

The goal was not to be the first across the finish line, but to finish.

The race started with a 100-metre swim in the Eleanor Misener pool, followed by 12 km of cycling and then a three-km run to the finish line. The paved cycling course had enough straightaways for the road-racing cycle owners to get up some speed and enough twists and turns to allow those on mountain bikes, one complete with a baby seat, to keep pace.

Human dolphin Ian Young, Department of Recreation Services,

led the swim portion for his team, powering through the 100 metres in one minute, 21 seconds. Kevin Grout, University Advancement, who learned to swim just three weeks earlier, inspired onlookers with his tenacity.

Terry Boak, Vice-President, Academic, challenged student Matt Rocca for the lead through the cycling and running but it was Rocca who crossed the finish line first.

Student Erin Cox persisted despite the mechanical problems with her bike, and she finished the race holding to her mother's pre-race advice of "don't drown, don't get hurt, and don't cheat."

Everyone who participated met official "Try the tri" standards if the swim would have been lengthened by 275 metres.

Many thanks to volunteers, staff and students who came out to cheer and to Sodexo and Community Connections for their donations of food and staff. This sort of event is not possible without the strong support of the Brock community.

## More than \$1.2 million for research in the human sciences

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) recently awarded funding totalling \$1,260,974 to support 15 research projects at Brock in areas ranging from poetry and psychology to physical education and political science.

"We are excited by the research opportunities that this funding represents," says Michael Owen, Associate Vice-President, Research and International Development. "These awards recognize the high-quality research being conducted by Brock faculty - research that can have a real and significant impact, not only on the academic community, but on the daily lives of people in the Niagara region and beyond."

Among the Brock researchers receiving funding is Philip Sullivan, associate professor in the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology. Sullivan's research will investigate the impact of adult coaching in youth sport. "This is an extremely important issue for the health and development of Canada's youth," he says. Ultimately, he hopes the research will encourage Canadian youth to get and stay active in sport.

Comparing the Canadian "mosaic" and American "melting pot," Professor Garth Stevenson of the Department of Political Science will explore the ways cultural diversity have been experienced on both sides of the border. Stevenson's SSHRC award will enable him to travel to national archives in Ottawa and Washington, and to hire graduate students as research assistants, "which will expedite the research at the same time as it contributes to their development as young scholars," says Stevenson.

With his SSHRC research grant, Angus Smith, a professor in the Department of Classics, will be travelling to Greece to excavate an endangered Mycenaean cemetery. "As an ongoing international project incurring major equipment expenses and employing dozens of students and specialists, the need for generous financial support is crucial," he says.

The funding for Brock researchers was announced as part of a national SSHRC investment of more than \$77.8 million in research funding for more than 2,800 projects at universities across Canada.

SSHRC is an independent federal government agency that funds university-based research and graduate training through national peer-review competitions. SSHRC also partners with public and private sector organizations to focus research and aid the development of better policies and practices in key areas of Canada's social, cultural and economic life.

## Opening of Term

Celebrate the Opening of Term in style! Taking place on Wednesday, Aug. 29 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in Arnie Lowenberger Residence, the event will feature restaurants from downtown St. Catharines along with complimentary beverages from the Niagara Region. This event is a wonderful opportunity to meet the

many new faculty and staff who have joined us this past year as well as welcome the new academic year. President Jack Lightstone and his wife, Dorothy Markiewicz, hope you will join them for this casual evening of friendship and celebration. Tickets are \$20 each and available by calling the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257.

## Brock University – SSHRC Results 2007

**Stevenson, Garth, \$64,734**

Canadian and American approaches to ethnic diversity

**Mackintosh, Phillip G., \$52,344**

Toronto to the good: Bourgeois geographies in an English Canadian city before 1920

**Conley, Timothy J., \$50,059**

Burning city: an anthology of metropolitan modernity

**Volante, Louis M., \$97,589**

(Drake, Susan M.)

Exploring the development of assessment literacy: implications for educational policy, capacity building, and professional practice

**Klentrou, Panagiota, \$130,675**

(Gammage, Kimberley L.; Lu, Chunlei)

Socio-behavioural determinants of bone health in adolescent females

**Paul, Lissa, \$71,000**

Re-inventing Eliza Fenwick: an 18th century life for the 21st century

**Liu, Jian, \$100,000**

(Cairney, John, University of Toronto; Hay, John A.; Merchant, Anwar T., McMaster University; Wade, Terrance J.)  
The Impact of Early Life Experience and Parental Roles on the Development of Childhood Obesity

**Mack, Diane E., \$116,412**

(Crocker, Peter R.E., University of British Columbia; Kowalski, Kent C., University of Saskatchewan; Wilson, Philip M.)  
Health-enhancing physical activity: a means to eudaimonic well-being

**Hodson, Gordon, \$88,728**

Intergroup disgust and ideology as determinants of prejudice

**Ashton, Michael C., \$63,050**

(Lee, Kibeom, University of Calgary)

Fear- and greed-related traits and their relations with five- and six-dimensional models of personality

**Yurdakul, Gokce, \$82,250**

Jews and Turks in Germany: immigrant integration, political organization and minority rights

**Kronlund, Antonia, \$68,574**

The heuristic basis of consumer choice and brand preferences

**Larivée, Annie, \$45,990**

Vers une éthique du souci de soi: réappropriation contemporaine d'un concept philosophique ancien

**Willoughby, Teena, \$77,039**

A longitudinal study of academic achievement trajectories: factors associated with stability and change

**Smith, Robert Angus K., \$152,530**

Excavations of a Mycenaean cemetery at Ayia Sotira, near ancient Nemea, Greece

## SMART Start comes to a close

Having recently completed the SMART Start program for another year, our team has reached and exceeded our goal to provide an orientation that is unique, encompassing and informative to both students and their guests. The past seven weeks have been ones of growth as the Brock community welcomed well over 2,500 students in the 2007 SMART Start program. With the exception of the double cohort year, this figure represents the highest attendance numbers for the program since its inception in 2001. While we have raised the standards for the program and had a successful year, this accomplishment could not have been reached without the assistance and contributions of numerous faculty and staff within the Brock community.

A special thank you must be extended to Dr. Lightstone for his dedication to the program, encouraging words to the staff and involvement with the incoming

students.

A distinguished recognition is owed to Kevin Kiss, who prepared the team to advise students in the lab and to deliver professional and entertaining presentations.

In addition, our thanks is presented to all those within the Brock community who have dedicated their time and efforts to enhance our program and reach our goals for the team. This university is privileged to have a faculty and staff that cares, gives, and embraces the true meaning of community.

With the support and encouragement of the Brock Community, SMART Start will continue to push on to raise the standards of academic orientation.

In closing, we are extremely grateful to the faculty and staff who have helped us deliver and enjoy the SMART Start program of 2007.

– Cindy Nogradi, SMART Start Co-ordinator

## BrockDays 2007

Brock Days will take place over 10 days from Sept. 20 to 30 and will feature a wide range of events taking place on and off campus. The traditional kick-off barbecue and Grape Stomp will be held on Friday, Sept. 21 and will feature a barbecue lunch for \$3 and some great music by Flat Broke. Flat Broke specializes in the classic rock hits of the '60s, '70s, '80s and today. They have been wowing audiences all over southern Ontario for more than 10 years. With a repertoire of more than 300 songs from The Beatles, Stones to Bob Marley, The Police and countless others, Flat Broke is sure to please.

On the evening of Sept. 21, a very special event will take place on campus – Tribute! A new Brock Days tradition will recognize the achievements, in seriousness and in jest, of one of our long-standing staff members – Jamie Fleming, Director of Residences. Friends, colleagues and

family will share stories about Flemming that will no doubt be more jest than serious. Join us for dinner and this celebration as we forge a new Brock Days tradition. Tickets are \$40 each and available by calling the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257.

CCOVI will host three wine seminars on various wine-related topics in its Cellar Tasting Room and the Music at Noon Concerts will return from Sept. 24 to 27 with various musical talents – composed mostly of Brock faculty and staff – playing to delighted audiences around campus. On Sept. 28, BUSU will host a band in Isaac's to lead us into the big weekend featuring the Grande Parade, Brock Days in Montebello Park and a number of scheduled reunions. For more information on these events and others, please visit [www.brocku.ca/brockdays](http://www.brocku.ca/brockdays)



On Saturday, July 28 members of the Brock community joined together to form the Brock Paddleheads team in the eighth annual St. Catharines Dragon Boat Festival. The weather was beautiful and the team had a blast participating in the races and relaxing in the sun. In total, the team contributed over \$800 in pledges to Wellspring Niagara and placed 11 out of 33 teams. For information on how to get involved in other great events like this one, please contact Lauryn in Community Connections at ext. 4000 or e-mail [community@brocku.ca](mailto:community@brocku.ca).

## Message from the Vice-President, Advancement

Since my first visit to Brock University in May of this year, I have been greatly impressed with the enthusiasm of all those that I have met. I am awed with the University's strengths and accomplishments and am energized by the future that is before us with an invigorated vision, new relationships and partnerships with our constituents, and new programs and initiatives.

In order for the Office of University Advancement to assist our university take full advantage of the new opportunities that exist, and on behalf of my fellow search committee members, I am pleased to announce the appointment of Martha Nelson, B.A., M.A., CITP as the new Director of University Communications effective Sept. 4, 2007.

Martha has extensive experience in strategic communications and marketing with over 15 years experience in the private sector, government and academia. Most recently she has played a key role in assisting the University of Guelph strengthen their brand image and strategic marketing communications.

As part of our team, Martha will lead our communications, public relations, and strategic marketing initiatives as we continue to move forward and develop those defined and new partnerships that will assist our collective success. Martha will be located in the Office of University advancement. Please stop by in September to welcome her to the University.

Sincerely,

David M. Petis,  
Vice-President  
Office of University Advancement

*CCOVI presents  
the 2007  
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International  
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Vinifera Lecture  
Series*



Featuring: Alain Sutre, Viticultural and Winemaking Consultant, Boureaux, France.

Wednesday, Aug. 29: Vineyard Visits/Technical Workshops

Thursday, Aug. 30: Public Lecture, "Optimizing Vineyard Performance: The Road to the Future," Academic South 204, 7:30 p.m. Reception to follow.

For information, please visit [www.brocku.ca/ccovi](http://www.brocku.ca/ccovi)

# Welland Canal survey maps now online

In the late 1980s, fifty-three survey maps detailing the second Welland Canal from Port Dalhousie to Port Colborne were destined to be pitched in the trash. Fortunately, the historical value of these maps was not lost on Dr. John N. Jackson who rescued these treasures and transferred them to the Brock University Special Collections and Archives. These maps have been digitized and are now available for viewing at: <http://images.ourontario.ca/brock/>. Use the word "Welland" in the search field to see all the maps.

These maps were most likely created in the 1860s in an effort to keep track of the land and structures associated with the canal. The layout of the canal is recorded with incredible detail – even the surveyor's notes and measurements in pencil and ink are visible. Remnants of the first Welland Canal are noted where appropriate. But the maps go much further to document some local businesses, homes, landmarks, property owners, and streets.

The maps have been mounted onto a digital cultural content portal called OurOntario. The portal is designed as

a one-stop site where digitized materials from all over Ontario can be viewed by researchers anytime. The OurOntario website has a number of features to help visitors utilize the records through simple and advanced text searches. The website also links to Google Maps which displays modern views of the maps either as a satellite image, road map or a hybrid of both.

OurOntario takes the user experience one step further. It allows you to be an active contributor to the presented history. If you have particular insights into a feature on a map, you can add a comment for future users to read, learn from and explore further. You can even create and submit an essay (complete with photos) that can be linked to the map collection. To spark a historical dialogue, we have included one or more "Mystery Questions" to accompany each map. It would be great to have these questions answered and to see new questions posed. Whatever interests you about these maps is up for discussion.

Please contact David Sharron at [dsharron@brocku.ca](mailto:dsharron@brocku.ca) with any questions or comments.

## "Get (and Give) A Little Respect" this fall

Brock University was pleased to introduce its new Respectful Work and Learning Environment Policy in July 2006. The goal of this policy is to ensure the promotion and maintenance of a workplace where faculty, staff and students show respect and tolerance towards each other, celebrate our diversity and differences, and build effective and productive working relationships. A respectful work and learning environment provides many benefits: a more satisfied workforce, increased productivity, better classroom environments, increased creativity, better communication, decision making, problem solving and conflict resolution among members of our community, excellent customer service, and decreased costs relating to absenteeism and illness. In times of growth, working in a fast-paced, rapidly changing environment may increase our stress levels. Such conditions can make it challenging to maintain a positive and respectful work and learning environment. It is therefore important to ensure that faculty and staff have the skills and tools necessary to navigate today's busy workplace and to build a respectful work and learning environment.

To assist community members in developing these critical skills, the Office of

Human Rights and Equity Services is continuing to deliver "Respect" workshops this fall. This fun and interactive workshop will introduce Brock's new Respectful Work and Learning Environment Policy and what it means. Participants will learn about the following:

- What is a respectful work and learning environment?
- Tools and techniques for creating a respectful work and learning environment.
- How to take responsibility for your own power, privilege and behaviour.
- What are discrimination, harassment and bullying?
- How to respond to discriminating, harassing or bullying behaviour.
- Rights, responsibilities and procedures under the new policy.
- The role of the Office of Human Rights and Equity Services.

To see a full listing of workshops, please register through the Focus on Learning website: [www.brocku.ca/hr/training/focus/](http://www.brocku.ca/hr/training/focus/)

For more information, please contact the Office of Human Rights and Equity Services at ext. 5657 or [humanrights@brocku.ca](mailto:humanrights@brocku.ca)

Thank you for your support of this important initiative.

## Experience Learning! Fall 2007 Learning & Leisure Guide is out

Experience art, photography, music or a language! Dig in and get into a class that will keep you stimulated, learning and growing. Discover health and nutrition tips in "Live Longer the Mediterranean Way". Have you ever wanted to develop your singing abilities? Take your song out of the shower and bring it to our new "Sing it" class. If you are planning a winter vacation and want to brush up on your Spanish, French or Italian – we have a class just for you! We have many fun and hands-on courses offered through the Continuing Education department this coming term. Take advantage of the early-bird five per cent discount and register before Friday, Sept. 7. Fall guides will be distributed on campus the middle of August or visit us online at [www.brocku.ca/conted](http://www.brocku.ca/conted) Call ext. 4775 to register or for more information.

## Take a swing with the Alumni Association

The Brock University Alumni Association (BUAA) is once again hosting its Annual Alumni Golf Tournament. Join us on Saturday, Sept. 15 at Lochness Links (formerly Hunters Pointe) for a day of golf, fun, and prizes. We welcome golfers of all skill levels. The registration fee for the scramble tournament is \$400 for a foursome and includes use of practice facilities, shotgun start at 1:30 p.m., 18 holes of golf with cart, lunch and dinner, and a \$25 gift certificate to the clubhouse. In addition, there will be raffle prizes and competition prizes along the way, including an opportunity to win \$10,000 in a hole-in-one contest. There are more prizes and contests than ever before! The tournament is filling fast so be sure to book your foursome soon space is limited. Register online at [www.brockalumni.ca](http://www.brockalumni.ca) or phone the BUAA at ext. 4502

## I N M E M O R I A M



Professor Danielle Parks

Professor Danielle Parks of the Department of Classics died quietly at her home on Tuesday, July 31 after battling Leukemia for two-and-a-half-years. She was 41 years old. Her death is a great loss to us all and to academe worldwide.

Danielle was dedicated to her research and teaching, and especially to her students. She set high standards for herself and for all whom she encountered. She inspired many of her students to attend graduate school. At Brock, she was instrumental in the establishment of our graduate programme and was Graduate Program Director for the first year of the programme. Danielle loved being in the field and included many of our students in her work overseas on Cyprus. She spent many of her summers training undergraduate students in our field school

there. She was also active in the local community, serving on the executive of the Niagara Peninsula Chapter of the *Archaeological Institute of America*.

Danielle was a scholar of international stature. Her research focused on the Roman to late Roman Amathus Gate Cemetery at Kourion, Cyprus. While still a PhD student, she became director of the excavation. Her recent work there has focused on processing the remains and using the material to investigate the transition from paganism to Christianity on Cyprus. She recently published *Roman Coinage of Cyprus* (Cyprus Numismatic Society, Nicosia 2005), which looked at how coinage types and distributions clarify issues of provincial relations, trade and economy. She is also the author of numerous articles and chapters in books relating to both areas of interest.

Danielle continued to be active in the department with teaching and service and continued her involvement in field projects, conferences and publishing throughout her illness. She never lost her zeal for life. She had much more to offer and contribute, but there is much to celebrate about the life she had. She was a dear friend and colleague and will be greatly missed.

*Michael Carter and Allison Glazebrook, Department of Classics.*

For more information on Danielle's accomplishments and the memorial service visit [www.brocku.ca/classics](http://www.brocku.ca/classics)

## Mediatalk People in the news

**Deboarh Zinni**, Assistant Professor of Organizational Behaviour, Human Resources, Entrepreneurship and Ethics was recently interviewed by *Canadian HR Reporter* magazine for a July 16 story about provincial employment standards for work hours and overtime. In the article, entitled "Plenty of exceptions to overtime rules," Zinni notes that "While employment standards have similarities, there are nuances. It really depends on the party in place, lobby groups that are active at the time and needs of the province. It's a very tough balancing act for government, keeping in mind the employee and employer, small or large, and the ability to pay."

**Cathy Mondloch**, Associate Professor of Psychology and Director of the Infant and Child Development Lab at Brock, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a July 23 article – "Visual cues" – about research that she is conducting in collaboration with the University's Lifespan Development Research Centre on how young children distinguish faces and facial cues. The article about her research, which has implications for children testifying in court as eyewitnesses, was also published in the following newspapers: *Timmins Daily Press* (July 31, "University attempts to solve mystery of visual recognition"); *Belleville Intelligencer* (July 30, "How children distinguish faces"); *Sault Star* (July 28, "Face to remember"); *North Bay Nugget* (July 28, "Researchers examine face recognition"); *Kirkland Lake Northern News* (July 25, "Researches find adults rarely forget a face"); *Sarnia Observer* (July 24, "How children remember faces"); *Niagara Falls Review* (July 23, "Visual cues"); and *Welland Tribune* (July 23, "Visual cues").

**Jim Papple**, Speaking Co-ordinator for the Intensive English Language Program (IELP) and IELP students from the University were interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a July 24 story – "Queer quirks" – about the challenges and idiosyncrasies of learning English as a

second language. The article was picked up by the Canadian Press (CP) news service and reprinted in various Canadian newspapers, including:

*The Fredericton Daily Gleaner* (July 30, "Foreign students tackle idiosyncrasies of English"); *Medicine Hat News* (July 30, "English language holds many meanings"); and *The Corner Brook Western Star* (July 30, "Foreign students").

**David Siegel**, Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences and Professor of Political Science was interviewed by *Pulse Niagara* magazine for a July 26 article about the Region of Niagara and Brock joining forces to study the concept of a Niagara Observatory at the University, entitled "New research institute at Brock?" which would provide a forum for bringing the community together to explore issues affecting the region.

**Ann Marie Guilmette**, Associate Professor of Recreation and Leisure Studies, was recently interviewed by the *Toronto Star* for a July 28 article about how advances in technology are making it impossible to get away from it 'all' while on vacation. In the article, "Working holidays," Guilmette notes that "There isn't quite the distinction between work and play that there might have been during a more industrial-age mentality." The article was also reprinted in the July 30 issue of the *Ottawa Metro*, "Technology keeps us from getting away from it all."

**Paul Hamilton**, Assistant Professor of Political Science, was interviewed by the *Hamilton Spectator* for an Aug. 3 article about a recent study authored by the federal government that examined the issue of dual-citizenship in Canada, entitled "Dual citizenship no recipe for lack of loyalty."

**Maureen Connolly**, Director of the Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies (CTLET) and Professor of Physical Education and Kinesiology was interviewed by *Niagara This Week* for an Aug. 3 story about the 10 year anniversary of the Ontario Appeal Court's decision granting women the right to expose their chests in public places, "Breast of intentions."

# Brock Briefs

## MSc thesis defence

Applied Health Sciences student Sarah Braid will present her thesis defence entitled "Bone Properties and Skeletal Maturity in Adolescent Males, as Assessed by Quantitative Ultrasound." It will be held on Thursday, Aug. 16 at 2 p.m. in WH 147. Supervisor: Bareket Falk; External Examiner: Joe Blimkie, McMaster University; Committee Members: Nota Klentrou; Phil Sullivan; Chair: Rene Vandenboom. All are welcome!

## Fall Recreation Services guide now available

For all the fall programs, visit the Recreation Services website at: [www.brocku.ca/recserv](http://www.brocku.ca/recserv)  
Registration for fall programs began Aug. 1.  
Fall swimming lesson registration for children and adults begins Saturday, Aug. 25 at 9 a.m.  
To register for programs, please call ext. 4060.

## You're invited...

Come out to one of the following three sessions to learn about the annual campus campaign in support of the Learning Commons.

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| <b>Monday, Aug. 20</b>     | 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. | E-Classroom     |
| <b>Thursday, Aug. 23</b>   | 12 noon to 1 p.m.        | E-Classroom     |
| <b>Wednesday, Sept. 12</b> | 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.       | Sean O'Sullivan |

Coffee and lunch will be provided. Goody bags for all. Expert speakers & so much more. Please contact Christine Vint ext. 3590 to book your date so we have lunch and treats for you!

Presented by the Campus Campaign Co-Chairs: Greg Finn, Kithio Mwanzia and Karen McAllister-Kenny, and the Office of Development and Donor Relations.

## TAP program merges Canadian and Caribbean cultures



Students from Brock University's Department of Dramatic Arts became global citizens this summer as they participated in TAP (Turn Around Project), an interdisciplinary applied theatre research project in Port Antonio, Jamaica. Professor Jane Leavitt from the Department of Dramatic Arts, and Michael St. George, an arts educator and renowned Dub poet, led eighteen Brock students in an intensive Applied Theatre project. The overall goal of TAP is to offer Jamaican children a free arts program for five years in order to contribute to a movement to inspire lives and communities. Pictured is Brock student Zachary Smith interacting with some of the Jamaican student participants.

## Faculty and Staff

### CHEMISTRY

**Tomas Hudlicky** recently presented the following lectures:

- "Environmentally benign methods of oxidation and reduction for organic compounds," at the Symposium on green chemistry for organic synthesis, 90th Canadian Chemistry Conference, Winnipeg, Man., in May 2007.
- "Efficient approaches to morphine and amaryllidaceae alkaloids via Biocatalysis," at the University of Vienna, Austria, in July 2007.
- "Chemoenzymatic synthesis of morphine and amaryllidaceae alkaloids," at Universita CA'FOSCARI, Venice, Italy, in July 2007.

**Art van der Est** gave a lecture entitled "Using Light-Induced Electron Spin Polarization To Unravel The Photochemistry Of Substituted Porphyrin Complexes" at the 10th International Symposium on Spin and Magnetic Field Effects in Chemistry and Related Phenomena, Venice, Italy on June 19.

Brock Chemistry graduate students, **Hannes Leisch** and **Jon Collins** gave invited lectures at the Symposium on Biocatalysis and its impact on asymmetric synthesis at the 90th Canadian Chemistry Conference in Winnipeg, Man.:

- Hannes Leisch, Tomas Hudlicky. "Chemoenzymatic strategies for natural product synthesis."
- Jon Collins, Tomas Hudlicky. "Chemoenzymatic synthesis of 7-deoxypancratistatin via intramolecular aziridine opening."

### COMMUNITY HEALTH SCIENCES

**Jian Liu** recently presented the following papers:

- "Another way to evaluate the impact of maternal smoking on foetal nutrition status" with Christopher Sempos at the Society for Pediatric and Perinatal Epidemiologic Research, 20th Annual Meeting, Boston, Mass., held June 18 to 19.
- "Is lipid profile among adolescents with and without impaired fasting glucose different by gender?" with Maurizio Trevisan at the Society for Epidemiologic Research, 40th Annual Meeting, Boston, Mass., held June 19 to 22.
- "Relationship between energy expenditure and prevalence of metabolic syndrome in adolescents and adults," with graduate student Divya Joshi at the International Conference on Physical Activity and Obesity in Children, Toronto, Ont., held June 24 to 27.

### ECONOMICS

**Robert Dimand** recently made the following presentations:

- "The Corridor of Stability in Tobin's Keynesian Model of Recession and Depression" (joint with Ryan Bruno) at the annual meeting of the Canadian Economics Association, held in Halifax, N.S., on June 2.
- "Edmund Phelps and Modern Macroeconomics" at the annual meetings of the History of Economics Society, held in Fairfax, Va., June 9; and at the European Society for the History of Economic Thought, held in Strasbourg, France, on July 6;
- "Tobin's Keynesianism" at a conference on the History of Recent Economics, at University of Paris X, Nanterre, France, on June 23.

### FINANCE, OPERATIONS AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS

**Anthony Halog** has recently written a new paper on "Towards Development of Sustainable Value Chain Networks: An Efficiency Approach." This paper has been accepted for oral presentation on the Eight International Conference on Operations and Quantitative Management (ICOQM-8), Bangkok, Thailand, Oct. 17 to 20, 2007.

### MATHEMATICS

**Thomas Wolf** gave a talk on July 19 entitled "Classification of 3-dimensional scalar discrete integrable equations" at the International Conference for Discrete Differential Geometry in Berlin, Germany.

## Publications

**Dimand, Robert.** (2007). "Irving Fisher and Financial Economics: The Equity Premium Puzzle, the Predictability of Stock Prices, and Intertemporal Allocation Under Risk," *Journal of the History of Economic Thought* 29:2 (June 2007), pp. 153-166.

**Dimand, Robert.** (2007). Review of Altruistically Inclined? The Behavioral Sciences, Evolutionary Theory, and the Origins of Reciprocity by A. J. Field, *Journal of Socio-Economics* 36:3 (June 2007), pp. 495-501.

**Dimand, Robert.** (2007). Review of *Louis Bachelier: Aux origines de la finance mathématique*, ed. J.-M. Courtault and Y. Kabanov, *History of Political Economy* 39:2 (Summer 2007), pp. 318-320.

Hanshar, Franklin T. and **Ombuki-Berman, Beatrice.** (2007). "Dynamic Vehicle Routing using Genetic Algorithm," *Applied Intelligence*, (August 2007), 27(1): pp. 89-99.

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