



Chancellor's Chair recipient Professor Barry Grant of the Department of Communications, Popular Culture and Film explored the gendered implications of the science fiction genre in a recent lecture entitled "Where Very Few Men Have Gone Before: Science Fiction, Gender, and 2001: A Space Odyssey."

Build Our Future in Brock

Next month, faculty and staff will be invited to participate in a fundraising campaign organized by a team of volunteers representing the broad interests of the campus community.

Over the past decade, faculty and staff have donated over half a million dollars to Brock. In the most recent campus campaign, faculty and staff participated in record numbers and raised more than \$350,000 - an all-time high for the campus community.

As a prelude to the campaign launch, faculty and staff will be issued draw tickets for an opportunity to win a 12-month reserved parking pass and other daily prizes to be drawn during the week of February 23. The promotion is designed to draw

attention to the previous investments made through donations by the campus community. Further instructions will be delivered by inter-office mail.

Beginning March 1, faculty and staff volunteers will present the details of the "Invest in Brock - Build our Future" campaign. Information sessions will be organized to invite the Brock community to learn more about the campaign and how participation can make a difference for students as well as the teaching and learning environment at Brock. The campaign cabinet aims to maintain a high level of participation in this campaign by faculty and staff.

Look in the next issue of *Brock News* for further details on the campaign.

Federal task force chaired by Brock Professor releases report on whistle-blowing

A federal task force chaired by Professor Kenneth Kernaghan of Brock's Political Science Department has released a report on whistle-blowing and internal disclosure protection in Canada's public service.

The five-member working group was mandated by the Treasury Board of Canada last September to look at the issue of whistle-blowing - the disclosure of wrongdoing within the federal government.

Kernaghan's group sought to find ways to make sure that public servants can report unethical or illegal activity without suffering retaliation for doing so.

Among the group's suggestions are the creation of an established disclosure regime that would provide public servants with the tools and support they need to reveal and correct inappropriate behaviour within public institutions. The group suggests that this would also make a significant contribution to public service morale and conduct and to public confidence in government.

The report will be reviewed in the coming months.

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Brock news

A newsletter for faculty and staff at Brock University, St. Catharines, Ontario

Brock University enters into new partnership with Owl Children's Trust

Brock University has entered into a new partnership with the Owl Children's Trust to establish important new initiatives in child and youth research.

The partnership will see several projects initiated, including an annual conference on the study of children, youth and media; the establishment of seed funding for research projects and a department chair; and the creation of an endowment and fund-raising activities to provide stable and on-going funding for additional initiatives.

As part of the agreement, Owl Children's Trust will donate an initial \$110,000 to the University to fund the initiatives in the Brock Research Institute for Youth Studies (BRIYS) and the Faculty of Education. The Owl Children's Trust is a not-for-profit charitable foundation that creates and promotes quality media for children.

"This agreement will provide a lasting legacy for the Owl Children's Trust," said Annabel Slight, President of the Trust. "This partnership with Brock allows us to work with one of the top institutions for children's studies on a continual basis."

The proposed annual conference would be called the Owl Conference on Youth and Media. The event would be a showcase to attract leading researchers and

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Toronto Sun cartoonist Andy Donato to visit Brock

Well-known Toronto Sun cartoonist Andy Donato, who donated more than 300 original political cartoons to Brock last year, will visit the University on Thursday, February 12, to discuss his work with faculty members and students.

Donato will address a third-year political science class entitled Politics and the Mass Media in Canada, taught by Professor Juris Dreifelds. The presentation will take place from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in South Block 203.

Donato is a well-known Canadian cartoonist with a lengthy and distinguished career. He won a National Newspaper award in 1976, and in 1980 won Best Editorial Cartoon in the world from the Montreal Salon of Cartoonists. He is past-president of the Association of American Editorial Cartoonists, and past president of the Association of Canadian Editorial Cartoonists.

Donato's donated works are being used in both the Department of Political Science and the School of Fine and Performing Arts. The 305 works in the collection include cartoons in watercolour, colour pencil and ink, and date from 1999 and 2001. The donation has an appraised value of \$193,000. The works represent the artist's original drawings for his regular political cartoons appearing in the Toronto Sun.

"Andy Donato's collection provides a unique perspective on political issues and personalities," said Grant Dobson, Executive Director, Office of External Relations at Brock. "These satirical cartoons are a tremendous resource for our students and faculty to have for their research. We are extremely grateful for the donation and look forward with anticipation to Mr. Donato's visit."



Frank Liu, a student in the International Master of Accountancy program at Brock, plays the hulusi, a traditional Chinese flute, as part of the International Music Festival at Brock on February 5. The festival, held in the Senate Chamber, featured a variety of musical talents from a wide range of cultures. The Diversity Days event was organized by the Student Development Centre in partnership with International Services.

Brock Student Performers Present Oscar Wilde's The Importance of Being Earnest

"In matters of grave importance, style, not sincerity, is the vital thing."

- Gwendolen in *The Importance of Being Earnest*

Brock University's School of Fine and Performing Arts presents the Department of Dramatic Arts production of Oscar Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest* on Thursday and Friday, February 12 and 13, at 8 p.m., and on Saturday, February 14, at 2 p.m., in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre.

As Wilde himself said, *The Importance of Being Earnest* is a play "written by a butterfly, for butterflies." Its light and effervescent wit, however, has its own targets, skewering theatrical and social conventions (and above all, earnestness). Nothing is to be taken seriously, except style. A civilized tea becomes a vicious battleground and agitated young men stuff themselves with muffins ... but everything is always perfectly phrased.

The play opened on February 14, 1895, and was an instant success, a witty comedy of manners which was also a knowing critique of society. Here, the Brock student production is set in a contemporary world obsessed with design and style where the garden is as cool and modern as life in the city. Where Wilde's comedy of manners was a critique of 19th-century social conventions, in this production, it becomes an inquiry into constructions of gender and sexuality as the double lives of characters are explored. The play makes us ask, with Jack, "Lady Bracknell, I hate to seem inquisitive, but would you kindly inform me who I am?"

The production is directed by Brock professor Marlene Moser and designed by Dana Osborne.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for students and seniors. Call the Box Office, Centre for the Arts, to order at 905-688-5550, ext. 3257, Monday to Friday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday, noon to 4 p.m.

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Brock ad wins international accolade

The uncommon creativity of colleagues in the Office of External Relations and Faculty of Business has been recognized by a CASE Accolades award.

"The common thread of uncommon quality," a print ad celebrating Brock's accreditation by the AACSB received the CASE District 11 Accolades award. The Council for Advancement and Support of Education represents public relations, fundraising, alumni affairs and marketing professionals worldwide.

According to Queen's University graphic designer Greg Black, who chaired the CASE Accolades panel, the judges were particularly impressed by a clear statement of objectives and strong writing.

"Dean Kusy and the Faculty of Business did the hard work in satisfying the AACSB standards and earning this important accreditation," according to Grant Dobson, Executive Director, External Relations. "We saw a great opportunity for the University and the Faculty to identify Brock with

universities such as MIT, Queen's and Harvard. The ad itself was a collaborative effort which moved from first draft to approval in about two hours."

"Accreditation from AACSB is a milestone in the development of the Faculty of Business at Brock," explains Don Cyr, Acting Dean of Business. "We needed an ad that would convey the importance of this accomplishment and affirm the position of the Faculty as a major contributor to Business education in Canada. With the combined expertise of the Faculty of Business and the Office of External Relations, we were able to produce an exceptional ad that accomplished both goals."

The accolades continue, with two national awards from the Canadian Association of Communicators in Education (CACE). *Surgite!*, a quarterly publication for graduates, received an Award of Excellence, while the 2002-03 Annual Report was honoured with an Award of Distinction.

Judges needed for science fair at Brock

For over 40 years, the Niagara Regional Science and Engineering Fair (NRSEF) has encouraged students to develop an interest in science. Over 150 of the most curious and capable young science pioneers from more than 33 regional schools will come together at Brock on Saturday, March 27, to share ideas, showcase cutting-edge science and compete for over 600 awards and scholarships.

Organizers of the fair are looking for faculty members and graduate students interested in participating by volunteering a few hours to assist in judging.

One hundred judges are required to evaluate projects covering six scientific categories as well as other topics such as health, computer technology, electricity, environmental studies, energy applications and water studies.

The 150 participating students have won at their local school level and are now at the regional level.

Some will proceed on to the Canada-Wide Science Fair later this year.

John D'Amico, Co-Chair of the NRSEF Judging Committee and Brock grad commented, "Brock has been very supportive of the fair for many years. Many of the judges are current or retired Brock profs who appreciate the need to cultivate the love of learning within youth at an early age. For that reason we see many faculty return year after year to assist us. But we would really benefit from the experience of an even larger judging pool."

To get more information or to volunteer, contact D'Amico at 905-684-7253 or johnd@plexisltd.com.

All faculty and staff are invited, along with the public, to bring their family to the Science Fair Open House on Sunday, March 28, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you have any further questions, contact Jeannine D'Amico at ext. 3120 or at jdamico@brocku.ca



Coffee cups were raised recently in recognition of the grand opening of The Daily Grind - Starbucks Coffee Lounge outlet in the Alumni Student Centre. Celebrating the February 5 grand opening, from left, are: Robert Pennetta, a Brock graduate of the Business Administration program and co-owner of The Daily Grind; Tony Tirabassi, MP for Niagara Centre; Steven Pillar, Vice-President, Finance and Administration, at Brock; Marika Kozachenko, Constituency Assistant for Walt Lastewka, MP for St. Catharines, and MBA student at Brock; and David Pennetta, co-owner of The Daily Grind.

BROCK CARES ...Food Drive

"Normally we can make it until March before we feel the crunch, but last year it started in late February. I expect it will happen sooner than that this year. It's easy for people to forget, especially after Christmas. Going to the community is a risk because you don't want people to think you are not serious. We are not crying wolf here!"

- Comments from Betty-Lou Souter of Community Care printed in the St. Catharines Standard on Friday, January 9, 2004.

Community Care needs our help! Healthstyles ...Wellness at Brock is appealing to the campus community to join this worthy campaign.

Bins for canned goods will be available in the Pond Inlet, Tower Lobby and Walker Complex (Food Court) for your convenience until Friday, February 13, at noon.

Cash and cheque donations will be accepted at the Welcome Desk in the Walker Complex (direct to Healthstyles) or in Human Resources (direct to Pat Miller).

Community Care is in need of baby food, baby formula, canned fruit and vegetables, and canned meat.

For more information, contact Healthstyles at healthst@arnie.pec.brocku.ca

Harpweaver presents author of books for all ages

The Harpweaver Reading Series presents Tim Wynne-Jones, renowned author of books for audiences of all ages, at Brock University on Wednesday, February 25.

Translated into many languages, Wynne-Jones's books for children and young adults have earned much critical praise. His most recent work, *Ned Mouse Breaks Away*, has been described as "funny, light, and deliciously different" (School Library Journal). This witty and subtle story of Ned Mouse's imprisonment - for the act of writing - and his attempts to escape from jail is "a touching tale about the need for freedom and the desire for relationships," according to Andrea Sears Andrews of *Children's Literature*.

Wynne-Jones has received numerous awards for his fiction, including the Governor General's Literary Award for Children's Fiction.

The reading begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Pond Inlet. A question-and-answer session and book signing will follow. Wynne-Jones's books will also be available for purchase at the event.

Adult tickets are \$8, senior tickets are \$5 and student tickets are \$2. Tickets can be ordered by calling the Brock Centre for the Arts Box Office at 905-688-5550, ext. 3257. Tickets can also be purchased at the door.

For more information about Wynne-Jones's literary accomplishments, please go to www.brocku.ca and click on "more news."

Sodexo honours its employees

On January 28, Sodexo was honoured to hold its Annual Service Awards Dinner at Rodman Hall.

The evening brought together Sodexo employees who have served the Brock community for five, 15, 20 and 25 years.

Recognized were: Colleen Sacco (talented baker) and Perry Sacco (Residence Dining Hall Chef) for their 25 years of service; Patricia Hands (Tim Hortons Main Lobby) for 20 years; Ed Abraham, Roger Gallagher, Brian Mitchell (Residence Dining Hall), Cecilia Winsor (Tim Hortons Main Lobby), and Melissa Warren (Walker Food Court) for 15 years, Vera Krmickova-Kandler and Andree Proteau (Walker Food Court) for their five years of service. Cathy McCann (General Manager) and Marianne D'Alessandro (Special Events Manager) celebrated their 15 years of service with Sodexo.

Employees who retired in 2003 were also honoured and included Lucia Micoli, Edda Romanin, Sandra MacDonald and Sylvana Risi.

Collectively, this group has given over 260 years of dedicated service to Sodexo and Brock University.

Brock Briefs...

Make-up classes for Tuesday, January 27

Due to inclement weather, evening classes at the Brock University St. Catharines campus were cancelled from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Tuesday, January 27.

Please be advised that in accordance with the calendar of dates, classes will be made up on Wednesday, April 14, in the normal class time and room. This applies to all programs running at the Brock University St. Catharines campus.

Help for repetitive strain sufferers

Worried about repetitive strain? Wondering how to prevent aches and pains in your wrist, arms and shoulders?

The Centre for Labour Studies at Brock invites you to a presentation by Catherine Fenech on prevention and treatment of repetitive strain injuries. Questions are encouraged.

The presentation will take place on Thursday, February 26, from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., in Thistle 256.

For more information, please contact June Corman, Director of Labour Studies, at ext. 4205.

February 17 and 19 - Standard First Aid/CPR Training

Register now for the two-day Standard First Aid/CPR course scheduled for Tuesday, February 17, and Thursday, February 19, at Alphie's Trough.

Offered free to all Brock employees with benefits entitlement and with the permission of their supervisor, topics include: emergency scene management, first aid for choking, bleeding, artificial respiration, shock, unconsciousness, fractures, burns, medical conditions, resuscitation and CPR for adults, infants and children.

The course will run from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. both days with 30

minutes for lunch (not included). Enrolment is limited.

For more information or to register, please contact Pat Miller in the Office of Environment, Health and Safety at ext. 3123.

Career Fair 2004 - Career Connections

Brock University, in partnership with Niagara College, will be hosting Career Fair 2004 on Thursday, February 12, at the college's Glendale Campus, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This networking event is for all Brock and Niagara College students, graduates and alumni seeking full-time employment, summer jobs and co-op experiences.

For more information on Career Fair 2004 and exhibitors attending the event, please visit www.brocku.ca/career.

Invitation to visit OPIRG

The Ontario Public Interest Research Group (OPIRG) at Brock invites faculty, staff and students to take advantage of its resources. Feel free to drop by the OPIRG Resource Centre located in Symphony House.

OPIRG has a huge selection of alternative resources on issues like globalization, peace, militarism, food, queer issues and much more, that can be used for research and assignments. Books, videos and files are available to view or borrow.

For more information, call 905-688-5550, ext. 3499, e-mail opirgbu@spartan.ac.brocku.ca, check the Web site at www.brocku.ca/opirg, or just drop by.

Dissertation defence for PhD Psychology student

A PhD Dissertation Defence for Heather Chalmers, Department of Psychology, will be held on Friday, February 13, at 2:30 p.m., in the Senate Chamber. The title of Chalmers' dissertation is: "A Comprehensive Examination of Adolescent Gambling."

Dissertation Supervisor: Dr. Teena Willoughby; External Examiner: Dr. Gerald Adams, University of Guelph.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Applied Health Sciences student to present MA thesis defence

A MA Thesis Defence for Deanna Morris, who is in the Graduate Program in the Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, will be held on Monday, February 16, at 8 a.m., in WH284.

The title of her thesis is: "Quantitative Survey on Population Health Related to Lifestyle and Risk Factors of the Residents of the Town of Fort Erie, Ontario."

Thesis Supervisor: Dr. Heather Lee Kilty; External Examiner: Dr. Robin Williams, Medical Officer of Health, Niagara Public Health; Committee Members: Dr. Melanie MacNeil, Dr. Michael Pyley; Chair: TBA.

All are welcome.

Faculty of Education graduate student presents thesis defence

Education student Stephany Balogh will present her thesis defence on Thursday, February 26, at 2 p.m., in Scotiabank Hall 339.

Her thesis is entitled "Female Administrators and the Mentors Who Give Them Full Support."

Thesis Supervisor: Dr. Joe Engemann; External Examiner: Dr. Margaret McNay; Committee Members: Dr. Alice Schutz, Dr. Adele Thomas.

The Brock community is welcome to attend.

Physics 2004 winter seminar series

The Brock community is invited to attend the Department of Physics 2004 winter seminar series. All talks will be held in South Block 217, starting at 12 noon, with the exception of the March 18 talk, which will be held in South Block 215, beginning at 3:45 p.m. The seminars are as follows:

February 24: Eeuwe Zijlstra, Department of Physics, Brock University, "Atomic and Electronic Structure of Quasicrystals: An *Ab Initio* Study"

March 2: Rachel Wortis, Department of Physics, Trent University, "NMR and the Vortex State of Cuprate Superconductors"

March 18: Dr. Stephen Morris, Department of Physics, University of Toronto, "Physics in the Sandbox"

April 6: Dr. Shantanu Basu, Department of Physics, University of Western Ontario, "Star Formation"

For more information about the seminar series, please contact Dr. David Crandles in the Department of Physics at ext. 3539. Crandles can also be reached at dcrandle@brocku.ca.

Biological Sciences winter seminar series

The Biological Sciences 2004 winter seminar series continues with the following lectures, which will be held in MC H313, starting at 11:45 a.m.:

February 12: Dr. Wen-Hsing Cheng, Laboratory of Molecular Gerontology, National Institute of Health, Baltimore, Maryland, "Altered DNA strand-break response in Werner's premature aging syndrome"

February 26: Dr. Normand Brisson, Department of Biochemistry, University of Montreal, "The 'Whirly' protein *AtWhy1* is a critical component of the salicylic acid-induced plant defense response in *Arabidopsis*"

March 4: Dr. Joel Shore, Department of Biology, York University, "Molecular genetics and evolution of distyly in *Turnera*"

March 11: Dr. Brian Jeynes, Department of Community Health Sciences, Brock University, "The possible role of microvasculopathy in the pathogenesis of Alzheimer disease"

For more information about the seminar series, please contact Dr. Adonis Skandalis in the Department of Biological Sciences at ext. 3399; askandal@brocku.ca

Boaters Get Carded

The Eleanor Misener Aquatic Centre is offering anyone interested in acquiring their Pleasure Craft Operator (PCO) card the challenge of taking the Boat Operator Accredited Training exam. The exam can be taken by members of the Brock community and their families.

As of 2002, anyone operating a boat under four metres in length, including personal watercraft, must have a PCO card by law.

Those with a strong knowledge of boating rules may participate directly in the challenge exam on Saturday, February 28, between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Walker Complex. The fee is \$25 for the exam. There are study manuals available for purchase at the

Welcome Desk, Walker Complex, for \$10. Please register at the Welcome Desk in person or by phone, ext 3387.

Certification is Coast Guard-approved through the Lifesaving Society.

A full course is also available on Saturday, March 6, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Please check www.brocku.ca/aquatics for further information.

Faculty Development Workshop Series

Professor David DiBattista, Associate Dean in the Faculty of Social Sciences, will share his research and experiences using the Immediate Feedback Assessment Technique (IFAT), a multiple-choice testing form that provides immediate corrective feedback on each test item.

Research suggests that use of the IFAT actually enhances students' learning, allowing the multiple-choice test to serve not only as an assessment tool for the instructor but also as a learning tool for students.

DiBattista's presentation will take place on Wednesday, February 11, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Senate Chamber. All are welcome.

For more information, call the Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies at ext. 3933.

Teaching Assistant Awards 2003-2004

The Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies is calling for nominations for CTLET TA Awards for 2003-2004. Two awards are available.

A nomination form and guidelines are available online at http://www.brocku.ca/ctl/TA_Awards_Guide.php or from the CTLET at ext. 3933.

The deadline for nominations is Friday, March 12.

Award recipients will be recognized at the annual reception for the recipients of the TA Certificate, held on Friday, April 2.

MA in Social Justice and Equity Studies sponsoring two lectures

The interdisciplinary MA program in Social Justice and Equity Studies is sponsoring two exciting lectures this month.

On Wednesday, February 11, faculty members Martha Nandorfy and Daniel Fischlin of the School of English and Theatre Studies at the University of Guelph will speak about their acclaimed research, "Eduardo Galeano: Through the Looking Glass."

The presentation will take place in South Block 427 from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.

On Friday, February 13, Ajay Heble, Director of the Guelph Jazz Festival, will deliver a lecture at Brock entitled "Radicalizing Public Understanding: Human Rights, Hope, and the Politics of Music Making." Heble is author of *Landing on the Wrong Note* and is currently writing a book with Fischlin on human rights and improvisation.

A former student of world-renowned scholar Edward Said, Heble is a faculty member in the School of English and Theatre Studies at the University of Guelph.

Heble's presentation will take place in South Block 427, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

FACULTY AND STAFF

CENTRE FOR TEACHING, LEARNING AND EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGIES

Mike Laurence, Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies, and Denise Stockley, Queen's University, delivered an invited presentation on November 24, 2003, entitled BUILD: A Multi-Faceted Approach to Electronic Resource Design at the Ryerson University Technology and Learning Conference.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

Elizabeth Sauer delivered the following invited colloquium paper on January 16: "Civilizing Conquests," Homeland Security, and the *Great Case of Transplantation in Ireland Discussed*, "Civilizing Conquests? Colonial Effects from the Early Modern to Postmodern Periods," Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo.

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

David Siegel made a presentation at the annual conference of the Ontario Library Association on the topic of the Role of Library Boards on January 29.

JAMES A. GIBSON LIBRARY

Brock librarians were active participants in the recent Super Conference of the Ontario Library Association, held in Toronto from January 29 to 31. **Phyllis Wright** presented a paper on the integration of information literacy into the curriculum using WebCT, and demonstrated the capabilities of a CEDspace-like, repository of information literacy teaching and learning objects/resources that will soon be available to Ontario academic instruction librarians. Using the James A. Gibson Library as an example, **Deb Kalvee** was one of three speakers who presented their institutions' initiatives to address the challenges of creating new, re-designed, and re-purposed library spaces. **Candice Dahl** offered a poster session on the Library's highly effective SMART Start Library initiative, a student-centred program that introduces first-year students to library services, its physical layout and the basics of searching for resources. **Jennifer Thiessen**, who acted as a convenor for a session on Canadian electronic theses, was the recipient of a scholarship that included full conference registration, accommodation and travel expenses.

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EVENTS

Music@Noon: The Department of Music presents a faculty recital featuring Rob D'Orante, oboe, and Lesley Atreo, piano, on Tuesday, February 24, at 12 noon, in The Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Admission is free. All are welcome.

Niagara Symphony: Pops! Series - Saturday, February 28, at 8 p.m., and Sunday, February 29, at 2:30 p.m., The Great Symphony Gumbo: Down the Mississippi into the Bayou. Guest artists, Swamperella. Revel in the traditional Cajun sounds of melancholy waltzes and driving two-steps. Let the good times roll! Pre-concert talk by Terrance Cox, author and Instructor of Popular Music at Brock University, and members of Swamperella. Sponsored by Casino Niagara Cares. Pre-concert talk by Laura Thomas and a member of Swamperella 45 minutes prior to concert, in the lobby. Niagara Symphony is orchestra in residence at Brock. Tickets \$36 / \$32 senior / \$10 students. Brock faculty and staff get a 10 per cent discount. Call 905-688-5550, ext. 3257; www.niagarasympphony.org



Centre for the Arts
Brock University

O'Sullivan Theatre; Jory Nash and Aengus Finnan, March 6, 7:30 p.m., *Alphie's Trough*; Fingers and Toes, March 11, 7:30 p.m., Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Tickets can be purchased by calling the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257 or online at www.arts.brocku.ca.



Brock University Film Society: February 29: *The Republic of Love* (Canada, 2003), directed by internationally acclaimed Deepa Mehta (*Fire*, *Bollywood Hollywood*), an adaptation of Carol Shields' novel offers a wry look at romance in the 21st century (starring Bruce Greenwood, Edward Fox, Martha Henry, Claire Bloom and Gary Farmer). March 7: *Casa De Los Babys*, writer-director John Sayles (*Lone Star*) employs an all-star cast including Daryl Hannah, Marcia Gay Harden and Mary Steenbergen in the dramatic story of six desperate American women looking to adopt children in Central America. March 14: *Barbarian Invasions* (Canada, 2003), Quebecois director Denys Arcand (*Jesus of Montreal*), revisits the characters of *The Decline of the American Empire* 17 years later, turning his cynical wit on contemporary social mores. All screenings are held in the David S. Howes Theatre, beginning at 7 p.m. Membership fee (January to April) is \$11 or two for \$20. Membership provides reduced admission, \$5, to all screenings and the reduced parking fee of \$3. Members who display a valid Brock parking pass will be able to park free. Non-member tickets for individual films are \$7. Memberships may be obtained at the door or from the Box Office, Centre for the Arts, 905-688-5550, ext. 3257.

Official dedication of Arnie Lowenberger Residence

All staff, faculty and students are invited to attend the official dedication of the Arnie Lowenberger Residence on Tuesday, February 24, from 3 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The formal ceremonies will take place in the Lowenberger Dining Hall, and will be followed by a reception and tours.

Students moved into the Arnie Lowenberger Residence in September 2003. Lowenberger Residence accommodates 311 students in single and double rooms. The building includes a 300-seat dining hall, common lounges for each hall, study rooms, laundry facilities, and main floor service desk and office.

High school students to take business challenge

More than 150 Niagara-area high-school students and their teachers will attend the first annual District School Board of Niagara (DSBN) Business Challenge on Wednesday, February 11, in the Pond Inlet on the Brock campus. Hosted by ACE Brock (Advancing Canadian Entrepreneurship), the program was developed at the request of the business department heads at DSBN to get high school students interested in business studies at Brock. The event will run from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Brock students Matthew Petre, Vice-President, Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE), and Jocelyn Chedore, Vice-President, Fair Enterprise, ACE Brock, created the interactive workshops and will chair the event. The activities include a presentation on ACE Brock and the importance of extra curricular involvement while in school, a comprehensive SIFE program

involving a business simulation game, and a forum focused on discussing the benefits of operating in a free market economy. Prizes will be awarded to the winning team.

Keynote speaker Gene Luczkiw, Director of the Institute for Enterprise Education and Adjunct Professor with the Faculty of Education at Brock, will discuss the importance of entrepreneurship and following one's aspirations. Brock Business Ambassador Bryan Clancy will speak about the transition from high school to university, Andrew Gnoinski from Undergraduate Business Games will address the importance of networking and Sean Chamberland and Nigel Corish of the Business Students Association will discuss their efforts to advance the Faculty. Other speakers include Katie O'Dell, Manager of Secondary School Programs, CMA, Ontario, and Don Cyr, Acting Dean, Faculty of Business.

New research partnership...Continued from page 1



Brock University's position as a leader in research in the area of child and youth studies is strengthened by a new partnership with The Owl Children's Trust, an internationally-renowned children's organization. Those instrumental in forming the partnership are, from left: Jennifer Canham, Publisher of The OWL Group; Dr. Vera Woloshyn of Brock's Faculty of Education; Goody Gerner, Director, Owl Children's Trust; David Atkinson, President of Brock; Don Duprey, Chair of the Board, Owl Children's Trust; Michael Manley-Casimir, Dean of the Faculty of Education at Brock; Annabel Slight, Founder and President of the Owl Children's Trust; and Michael Owen, Director of the Office of Research Services at Brock.

practitioners in the field of youth and child studies to promote collaboration on research projects and multidisciplinary alliances.

"We are very pleased to be partnering with a renowned organization such as the Owl Children's Trust," said Michael Owen, Director of Research Services at Brock. "This opportunity allows us to continue in our dedication to excellence in teaching and research in the fields of child and youth studies."

Attracting students from across Canada, Brock University's Faculty of Education has a distinguished reputation for its pre-service teacher education, continuing education, and graduate programs.

The Brock Research Institute for Youth Studies (BRIYS), the only one of its kind in Ontario, involves multidisciplinary alliances among 34 professors from five academic

faculties at Brock, including social sciences, business, humanities, applied health sciences and education. Research at the Institute targets youth from birth to late 20s, and focuses on areas such as resilience, lifestyle choices, media, aggression, gambling, smoking and literacy.

The Owl Children's Trust, founded in 1975, supports the development of multiple media activities that nurture the potential of children by encouraging their interest in and enjoyment of the world around them. The Owl Children's Trust created OWL, Chirp, and chickaDEE magazines, the latter of which is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. The Trust has also been involved in the creation and production of television series such as OWL/TV, Hello Mrs. Cherrywinkle and The Big Comfy Couch.