



Hundreds of people attended the recent First Annual Best Practices in Teaching and Learning Symposium hosted by The Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies (CTLET) at Brock. Joining keynote speaker Dr. Stephen Brookfield, left, a renowned adult educator from the University of St. Thomas, is, from left: students Giulia Forsythe and Alejandro Tanaka and CTLET Director Maureen Connolly. Brookfield opened the day's events with a presentation entitled *Being a Critically Reflective Teacher*.

## Five distinguished Canadians to receive honorary degrees at Spring 2004 Convocation

Five distinguished Canadians, three of them Niagara residents, will receive honorary degrees from Brock University at its 2004 Spring Convocation ceremonies to be held June 7 to 10.

This year, Brock takes pride in awarding honorary degrees to: **Phil Fontaine**, Assembly of First Nations National Chief; **Gillian Dooley**, Executive Director of Women's Place of St. Catharines and North Niagara; Canadian advertising icon **Terry O'Malley**; **Donald Triggs**, President, Chief Executive Officer and a Director of Vincor International Inc.; and **Robert Giroux**, President of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada.

With an estimated 2,500 students receiving their degrees, the 2004 Spring Convocation will bring the total number of Brock graduates to more than 50,000.

All ceremonies will be held in the Walker Complex at the west end of campus, in the 23,000-square-

foot gymnasium. An outdoor reception for graduates, family members and other special guests will follow each ceremony.

The University will honour six faculty for their contributions to teaching as part of the Convocation ceremonies.

Recipients of the annual Faculty Award of Excellence for Teaching are chosen by a selection committee from each faculty that includes representation of faculty, staff and students. Nominees must have a reputation for superior teaching and be recognized for this quality by students and colleagues. Among other criteria, they must demonstrate creativity and excellence in the development of new course/program teaching materials, and they must set a high standard and successfully motivate students to attain such a standard.

This year's recipients of faculty awards of excellence for teaching are:

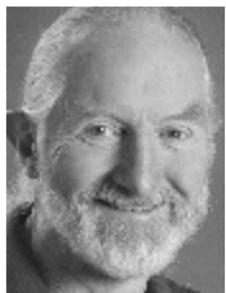
- **Professor Maureen Donnelly** of the Department of Accounting and Finance, in the Faculty of Business.
- **Professor Dr. Mei Ling Huang** of the Department of Mathematics and Science, in the Faculty of Mathematics and Science.
- **Professor Ken Kernaghan** of the Department of Political Science, in the Faculty of Social Sciences.
- **Professor Jane Koustas** of the Department of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures, in the Faculty of Humanities.
- **Professor Ruth McQuirter Scott** of the Pre-Service Department, in the Faculty of Education.
- **Professor Ryan Plummer** of the Department of Recreation and Leisure Studies, in the Faculty of Applied Health Sciences.

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# Brock news

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

## Geography professor named Thorold's Citizen of the Year



Professor Alun Hughes

Alun Hughes, an Associate Professor in the Department of Geography at Brock, has been named Thorold's Citizen of the Year by the

city's Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber selected Hughes for this prestigious community award mainly in recognition of his work in researching Thorold's unique past.

Hughes sifts through old newspapers, documents and records in libraries and archives, and shares his findings with the public through a regular newspaper column. Originally published in the Thorold News, the column is continuing with a broader regional perspective in the newly launched Niagara This

Week.

Hughes has also been involved in a number of societies and committees in the city. He is currently Past President of the Thorold and Beaverdams Historical Society, a member of Heritage Thorold LACAC and a member of the Lake Gibson Recreational Corridor Taskforce.

"I feel very honoured to receive this award," said Hughes. "Writing about Thorold's history is something I thoroughly enjoy doing, for the city has a rich and fascinating past, much of it unexplored. As a professor, I am delighted by the way my research has been received in the community."

Hughes first arrived at Brock in 1969. He specializes in geomatics, which includes cartography, surveying, remote sensing and geographic information systems.

He is a native of Wales and has lived in Thorold for seven years.

## President's Community Luncheon Series

A Brock professor will share his expertise on why seemingly intelligent business people engage in questionable business behaviour, while another professor will look at the changing face of Niagara's economy in the next two presentations of the President's Community Luncheon Series.

On **Friday, May 28**, Dr. Paul Dunn, Associate Professor in the Faculty of Business at Brock, will discuss Business Ethics: What makes successful corporate leaders cross the line? during a luncheon hosted by Brock President David Atkinson in partnership with the St. Catharines Chamber of Commerce.

The St. Catharines event will be held at the Rodman Hall Arts Centre, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., with lunch served at noon.

Dunn will explore recent cases of questionable business practices

reported in the media, including the Enron corporate fallout, and the recent Martha Stewart trial.

On **Tuesday, June 1**, Dr. Lewis Soroka, Professor in the Department of Economics at Brock, will present Sauvignon or Steel - Economic Development in Niagara during a luncheon held in conjunction with Canadian Tire Financial Services and Durwood Jones Barkwell & Company LLP.

The event will be held at The Welland Club, 1 Griffith Street (off King Street) in Welland, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., with lunch served at noon.

The public is invited to attend each of the events.

Tickets for the luncheons are \$25 each. To register, please call Julia Gottli, 905-688-5550, ext. 3245, or e-mail: [jgottli@brocku.ca](mailto:jgottli@brocku.ca).

## President's golf tournament, dinner raise funds for athletic student awards

Almost 150 golfers will join Brock University President David Atkinson at Legends-on-the-Niagara in Niagara Falls on Thursday, May 27, for the second annual President's Tournament in support of Brock Athletics.

Although the golf tournament is sold out, the Brock community is invited to attend the evening dinner and live auction. Tickets are \$100.

Participants in the golf tournament will contribute to the University's proud tradition of athletic excellence as proceeds from the tournament will provide

bursaries and scholarships for Brock's outstanding student athletes.

Last year's tournament netted \$65,000 for the athletic student awards program. This year, organizers, led once again by David Howes, Chair of the President's Tournament and Vice-Chair of the Brock Board of Trustees, expect to raise more than \$70,000.

With 30 men's and women's varsity teams in such sports as rowing, wrestling, hockey and basketball, Brock boasts the third highest number of teams among Ontario's 17 universities. Many of

the Brock athletes must use their own money to help cover their teams' costs of training camps, equipment and other expenses.

Legends-on-the-Niagara, located in Niagara Falls, is one of Canada's finest championship golf facilities. Participants in the President's Tournament will enjoy a challenging game of golf, an opportunity to renew acquaintances, a delicious meal and an entertaining evening.

Funds raised from the annual President's Tournament will be awarded each fall to continuing student athletes who have

successfully completed their first year of study.

Tickets for the dinner and live auction may be reserved by contacting Julia Gottli in the Office of University Advancement at Brock, at ext. 3245, [jgottli@brocku.ca](mailto:jgottli@brocku.ca)



THE Brock University  
PRESIDENT'S  
TOURNAMENT

# Public lectures on mysteries of Niagara's rivers, Great Lakes

The Department of Earth Sciences at Brock hosted two public lectures at the University last week featuring two of Canada's top experts in the areas of the Niagara Peninsula rivers and the Great Lakes.

On Tuesday, May 11, Brock's Keith Tinkler, a Professor of Earth Sciences and Geography, presented a lecture entitled Reading Niagara: three centuries of thought, five hundred metres of gorge.

Tinkler has actively researched the Niagara Peninsula rivers for the last 20 years. He participated in documentaries about Niagara made by the Discovery Channel (Canada and U.S.), PBS (U.S.), and Channel 4 (U.K.), and appeared in a five-minute spot in TVO Kids/Canadian Geographic. Niagara is viewed within the changing paradigms of theology, natural history and eventually geology, over a period of more than 300 years. Dichotomies of local observation and expert opinion, of catastrophism and uniformity, and of local regional perspectives have all been played out on Niagara's stage. Tinkler offered an interpretation within the dynamic worlds of ice age Canada and the human need for power.

On Friday, May 14, Steve Blasco presented a lecture entitled The Great Lakes: Unravelling the Secrets of the Lakebed. Blasco talked about submerged ancient waterfalls, river channels and beaches, drowned forests, ancient artifacts and fish habitats. Recent investigations of the lakebed using new technology have solved the riddle of why Niagara Falls almost stopped flowing for 5,000 years. Participants found out where the Niagara River water really went, why lake levels dropped 50 metres below present 7,500 years ago, and that these new geological findings match First Native oral history.

Blasco has been with the Geological Survey of Canada at the Bedford Institute of Oceanography in Halifax, N.S., for 25 years. His research focuses on marine environmental and engineering geology studies, seafloor scouring by ice keels, bottom sediment contamination, and the study of shipwrecks as scientific time markers. Blasco was chief scientist of the expedition to the Titanic wreck site to film the IMAX film *Titanica*. He also has the unusual distinction of being the centrefold in both *National Geographic* and *Canadian Geographic*. He has received numerous awards, and became a member of the Order of Canada in 2001.

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Equipment and furniture for the James A. Gibson Library's Data Research Office were purchased with a grant from the Southwestern Ontario Research Data Centre (SWORDC). Inspecting the facility recently are, from left: Moira Russell, Government Information and Data Specialist, James A. Gibson Library; Keith Warriner, University of Waterloo, Co-Director, SWORDC; Aba Ansah and Anjoli Raghunath, Research Assistants with the Department of Economics at Brock; and John Goyder, University of Waterloo, SWORDC Co-Director.

## Brock Briefs...

### Daycare Duffers Golf Challenge 2004

This year's golf tournament in support of the Rosalind Blauer Centre for Child Care will be held on Saturday, June 12, at Brock Golf and on Merrittville Highway in Thorold. Tee times will start at 1 p.m.

A dinner will follow at Dom's Restaurant, also on Merrittville Highway in Thorold.

There will be four options available to participants this year:

- Gold putter: 18 holes of golf and dinner for \$50.
- Silver putter: 9 holes of golf and dinner for \$40.
- Bronze putter: 18 holes of mini-golf and dinner for \$30.
- A dinner-only option is available for \$25 per person.

The event raised about \$500 last year with a small, enthusiastic group, and organizers are hoping to double the amount raised this year.

Please contact Norm Westbury at westbury@brocku.ca to register.

### Participants sought for law enforcement torch run

Scott McLean, Director of Campus Security Services at the University, is looking for members of the Brock community to participate in this year's Ontario Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics.

The St. Catharines leg of the annual province-wide event, to be held on Wednesday, May 26, will begin at the nearby Enbridge offices. Members of local law enforcement agencies, joined by members of the public, will carry the Flame of Hope past the University on the way to the downtown St. Catharines headquarters of the Niagara Regional Police Service.

Participants are required to purchase a T-shirt, with proceeds from T-shirt sales, as well as donations or pledges for runners, directed towards the Ontario Special Olympics in 2004 and 2005. The 2005 games will be hosted, in part, by Brock.

Anyone interested in participating in the run - inline skaters and cyclists are welcome to attend - should contact McLean at ext. 3585; smclean@brocku.ca

### MA thesis defence

A MA thesis defence for Cynthia Nyarko, Faculty of Social Sciences, will be held on Tuesday, May 25, at 10 a.m., in the Board Room, 13th floor. The title of her thesis is Canada/US Border Crossing: Facilitation and Constraint.

Thesis Supervisor: Dr. Jane Helleiner; External Examiner: Dr. Virginia Caputo, Carleton University; Committee member Dr. Anna Pratt; Chair: Dr. Dave Siegel.

### MSc thesis defence

A MSc thesis defence for Kent Bigrigg, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, will be held on Wednesday, May 19, at 1 p.m., in WH147.

The title of his thesis is: Carbohydrate Refeeding Rapidly Reverses the Adaptive Upregulation of Human Skeletal Muscle Pyruvate Dehydrogenase Kinase Following a High Fat Diet.

Thesis Supervisor: Dr. Sandra Peters; External Examiner: Dr. Martin Gibala, McMaster University; Committee Members: Dr. George Heigenhauser, Dr. Michael Pyley; Chair: TBA.

All are welcome.

### Neighbourhood Brock Is Just Around the Corner!

Dig into container gardening or discover do-it-yourself auto mechanics? Plunge into a scuba lesson or take the Teutloff art tour? Fly-fish for an hour or concoct delicious organic dishes? Not your typical day at Brock? You'd better believe it! This year's Employee Wellness Conference, "Neighbourhood Brock" is sure to be the best yet!

Mark your calendar for Wednesday, June 16, a day of wellness and discovery. For upcoming details about Neighbourhood Brock, go to: www.brocku.ca/oehs. We're looking forward to seeing you at Neighbourhood Brock!

### Education professor receives fellowship award

Dr. Dolana Mogadime, Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Education, is the recipient of the Canadian Society for the Study of Education/Council of Ministers of Education, Canada New Scholar Fellowship Award 2004.

The CSSE New Scholar Advisory

## One of Brock's founding professors passes away

Dr. Edward Mirynych, one of Brock's founding professors who passed away recently, is being remembered by the University community for his many contributions to the institution and to the Niagara region.

At Brock, Mirynych helped found the Departments of Geography, Physical Education and Geology. He also served on Senate.

He was instrumental in setting up the Brock University Rowing Club, in which he remained a lifetime member.

Mirynych's life outside of the University was also busy and fulfilling. He thrived on spending time with his family and friends, and serving his community. Among his many community associations, he was a director of the Canadian Red Cross, the Niagara South Federation of Agriculture and the Grape Growers Marketing Board.

Mirynych retired from Brock in 1985. A bursary he started in 1984 continues to be awarded each year to students in Earth Sciences.

Committee and the CSSE Board of Directors selected the research paper which Mogadime submitted entitled *The Personal, Historical and Lived Experiences Shaping Women Teachers' Identities* for this distinguished academic award.

On Sunday, May 30, Mogadime will present the paper along with two other Fellowship recipients as part of the CSSE's annual conference in Winnipeg, Manitoba. She will receive the award and a framed certificate on Monday, May 31.

### Physics department hosts speaker

Dr. James B. Anderson of the Departments of Chemistry and Physics at Pennsylvania State University visited Brock on May 17 as the external examiner of the MSc thesis of graduate student Ivana Bosa, supervised by Professor Stuart Rothstein.

Anderson also presented a lecture, entitled *Direct Simulation Monte Carlo: Chemical Kinetics Without Differential Equations*.

The visit was hosted by the Department of Physics at Brock, and the Office of the Dean, Mathematics and Science.

### Brock's Verbeek and Ncube named Senior National Championships outstanding wrestlers

The Brock Wrestling Club captured four individual golds, and placed first on the men's side, at the recent senior freestyle wrestling championships in Fredericton, N.B.

Earning Most Outstanding Wrestlers for the men and women were Brock's Cleo Ncube and Tonya Verbeek.

For the men, Brock placed first overall, capturing three gold, one silver and two bronze medals. Winning gold were Jamie Macari, Saeed Aberbayjani and Cleo Ncube. Ryan Weicker captured a silver, losing his lone match to Brock teammate Ncube in the championship final. Winning bronze were Mike Neufeld and Steve Snyders.

For the women, Olympian Tonya Verbeek went undefeated, earning her gold. Megan Dolan and Jessica Bondy both placed third in their respective weight classes as the

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Brock women placed third overall in the team standings.

### **Student named Media/Sports Coordinator for Canadian baseball team**

A fourth-year Sport Management student at Brock has been named the Media/Sports Information Coordinator for the Canadian team that will compete at the 2004 FISU World University Baseball Championship in Tainan, Chinese Taipei, July 23 to August 1.

Mike Tucker serves as Brock's Sports Information Assistant and as General Manager of the Badger baseball program.

He has media relations experience with the Niagara Stars, of the now defunct Canadian Baseball League, the National Amateur Baseball Federation World Series, and the Toronto Blue Jays.

### **Kawai Piano Sale**

Kawai Canada Music Ltd. and Brock University are hosting a piano sale at the Seaway Mall in Welland.

More than 30 pianos will be available, including grands, uprights, and digitals. Brand names include: Kawai, Heintzman, Technics, Rischler, Baldwin and Suzuki. Some pianos are new, some are less than one year old and others have been reconditioned.

The sale will be held on Thursday, May 27, and Friday, May 28, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and on Saturday, May 29, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information or to make an appointment, call 905-651-7268.

Delivery and warranty are provided by Fletcher's Piano Ltd., St. Catharines.

### **Book discussion: *Women in the Canadian Academic Tundra***

The BUFA Status of Women committee invites all faculty, librarians, staff, and students to attend a brown-bag lunch and book discussion on Thursday, May 27, from 12 noon to 1 p.m., in the Alumni Lounge.

The book, *Women in the Canadian Academic Tundra* (Elena Hannah, Linda Paul, and Swami Vethany-Globus, Eds.; McGill-Queen's Press ISBN 0-7735-2280-8), presents narratives from 48 contributors regarding their experiences in Canadian academic settings.

The book is available at a 20 per cent discount from the campus bookstore. One copy is also on reserve in the library.

### **Researchers in need of Scruples**

Researchers in the Department of Psychology would like to borrow the game *Scruples*, which was popular some years ago, for use in their research.

The game will be returned promptly.

For more information, please contact Dr. Stan Sadava at ext. 3462; ssadava@brocku.ca

## **FACULTY AND STAFF**

### **EDUCATION**

**Dolana Mogadime** presented a paper entitled *Memory as healing: recreating self in social and political history during the post-apartheid era*, on February 24, at the Association for Research on Mothering (ARM) monthly meeting. Invited by: Dr. Andrea O'Reilly (York University, Atkinson College, Undergraduate Studies).

**Dolana Mogadime** presented *Studying teachers' life histories and emancipatory practices at Connections in Research*, a Brock University Graduate Conference, on May 1.

**Dolana Mogadime** presented the paper *Dangerous memories, border crossing identity and antiracist practice: the study of one teacher's life history*, on April 30, at the Life History Symposium, University of Toronto, King's College. Invited by Dr. Naomi Norquay (York University, Faculty of Education, Graduate Studies).

**Dolana Mogadime** presented a paper entitled *South African women reclaiming revolutionary storytelling through grandmother's warrior eyes*, at the Association for Research on Mothering (ARM) Conference at York University in Toronto, April 30 to May 1.

### **MUSIC**

**Harris Loewen** conducted the Niagara Vocal Ensemble in a program entitled *A Choral Bouquet* at St. Denis Church, St. Catharines, on May 8. The program included Dvorak's complete Moravian Duets song cycle as well as settings of floral-themed poetry by Canadian, American and British composers. Loewen also conducted his final concert with the Voices of Unity in a program entitled *Music for the Spirit* at the Burlington Art Centre on May 16.

### **PSYCHOLOGY**

**John Mitterer** delivered a conference-opening plenary presentation entitled *Cognitive apprenticeship, hybrid learning and large class instruction* at the George Brown College and McGraw-Hill Ryerson Teaching, Learning & Technology Day, George Brown College, Toronto, April 21. While there he also delivered an invited presentation entitled *Engaging students in the classroom*.

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## EVENTS

**Concordia Lutheran Seminary:** This Friday, May 21, presents a not-to-be-missed opportunity. Outstanding Hungarian-born Clarinetist Zoltan Kalman presents the season's final Concordia Chamber Concert. Formerly principal clarinetist with the Hungarian State Orchestra and the Budapest Opera Orchestra, he is currently the principal clarinetist with both the Niagara

Symphony and Symphony Hamilton. He will be accompanied by Cecile Desrosiers. The concert is in the chapel of Concordia Seminary and begins at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10 (student/senior, \$8) and may be reserved in advance by phoning 905-688-2362.

**Niagara New Vintage Festival - June 12 to 27:** Join more than 35 internationally acclaimed Ontario wineries at one of Canada's premier spring events, as we present the first taste of Niagara's award-winning wines. Kick off the celebrations with an outdoor Garden Party offering the best selling Ontario wines paired with Canada's top cheeses at a casual tasting. A spectacular gala wine evening begins the second weekend with the first taste of Ontario's 2002 and 2003 vintages, paired with wine country cuisine. On the final weekend, the inaugural New Vintage Winemakers, Dinner takes place. Included in the celebrations is the CENew Vintage, Winery Touring Passport program with special events, tours and tastings at Niagara wineries, June 12 to 27.

For tickets and complete information, please visit [www.niagarawinefestival.com](http://www.niagarawinefestival.com) or call 905-688-0212.

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