

# New members join Brock Board of Trustees



**Peter Partridge**

Brock is pleased to announce the election of new members to its Board of Trustees, effective immediately.

The new trustees include community members Peter Partridge, Vice-President of RBC Dominion Securities, and Bruce Wormald, a partner in the St. Catharines law firm of Lancaster, Brooks & Welch LLP. The appointments are for three-year terms ending June 30, 2007.



**Bruce Wormald**

Student trustees elected to the Board are Steven Latinovich, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2005, and Michael Sidenberg, for a two-year term ending June 30, 2006. Also elected to the Board of Trustees is staff member Bradley Clarke, Off-Campus Housing Officer, for a three-year term, ending June 30,



**Steven Latinovich**

2007. The Board also renewed the appointments of five trustees for three-year terms, also ending June 30, 2007. They are David Edwards, Willy Heidbuechel, Rudi Kroeker, Mark Steinman and Dr. Norris Walker.

Dr. Norris Walker, Director of Walker Industries Holdings Limited, in Thorold, will continue as Chair of the Board. He has been a member of the Board since 1993 and received an honorary degree from Brock in 2001 for his impressive record of community leadership in Ontario and in the Niagara region.



**Michael Sidenberg**

Re-elected as Vice-Chairs of the Board for a further one year term were David S. Howes, President and General Manager of Lincoln Fabrics Ltd. in St. Catharines, and



**Bradley Clarke**

Willy Heidbuechel, former President and CEO of Eurocopter Canada Limited, which has a plant in Fort Erie. Brock President David Atkinson, said the new trustees will bring a wealth of knowledge and business experience to the Board table. The 32-member Board handles matters pertaining to the administrative governance of the University.

"These appointments are important to the University at this time of unprecedented challenge and opportunity," Atkinson said. "The new Board members will play an integral part in building our future, and their varied backgrounds will strengthen the Board in a variety of important ways."

Atkinson said the reappointments of Edwards, Heidbuechel, Kroeker, Steinman and Walker are equally significant for the Board as it sets future directions and priorities for the University.

# Brock signs international agreement for communication disorders programs

An international articulation agreement was signed recently between Brock and Central Michigan University (CMU). The agreement will see up to three graduates from Brock's Department of Applied Language Studies admitted annually to the master's program in Speech Language Pathology at CMU.

Eligible Brock students will be nominated by faculty in the Department of Applied Language Studies based on their compliance with the approved curriculum, their major average, and other considerations. As a result, the successful students will be exempt from the normal CMU application process, including having the application fee waived. Students accepted through the program will also be offered tuition at the in-state rate typically reserved for Michigan residents.

"I am enormously pleased with this articulation agreement, particularly because of the academic opportunities it provides for our students," said Rosemary Hale, Dean of the Faculty of Humanities at Brock. "The partnership between Brock and the world-class graduate program at Central Michigan University confirms our dedication to seeing our students flourish in their academic careers."

Graduates of Brock's Speech and Language Sciences program have been successful in gaining offers of admission to graduate programs in Speech-Language Pathology both across Canada and throughout the United States. In 2002-2003, over 85 per cent of graduates of this stream who applied to graduate programs in Speech-Language Pathology received one or more offers of acceptance to graduate schools across Canada and in the United States.

Brock's Department of Applied Language Studies had a total of 241 students enrolled in four streams for 2003. Those streams include Applied Linguistics, Teaching English as a Second Language, Hearing Sciences, and the Speech and Language Sciences, in addition to a new Communication Disorders Assistant certificate program.

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# Brock news

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

## Dean of Brock's Faculty of Education recognized for lifetime achievement



**Michael Manley-Casimir**

Michael Manley-Casimir, Dean of the Faculty of Education at Brock, was honoured at the 2004 Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences

held at the University of Manitoba this past May. Professor Manley-Casimir a long-standing member of the Canadian Association for the Study of Educational Administration [CASEA] received the 2004 Distinguished Service Award for his lifetime contributions to the study and practice of educational administration in Canada. Beginning his career as a classroom teacher in Kelowna, BC, Manley-Casimir moved into school administration first as vice-principal and then principal of a secondary school in Ashcroft, BC. He later entered graduate studies at the University of British Columbia, completing his

MEd before proceeding to doctoral studies at the University of Chicago. In 1974, he joined the Faculty of Education at Simon Fraser University in British Columbia. After a distinguished career at Simon Fraser he was appointed as Dean of the Faculty of Education at Brock in 1998.

At the Meeting of the Canadian Society for the Study of Education, Professor Manley-Casimir also received the annual Mentorship Award from the Canadian Committee of Students in Education [CCSE]. This award recognizes the contribution of a faculty member whose work as a mentor with graduate students invites nomination and recognition.

Professor Manley-Casimir traveled to the meeting of the Canadian Society for the Study of Education, having just attended convocation at the University of British Columbia where he received the Master of Laws (L.L.M) degree that he had been working on since arriving at Brock.

## Faculty of Education Professor receives award of academic distinction



**Professor Dolana Mogadime**

Professor Dolana Mogadime of the Faculty of Education recently received an award of academic distinction from the Canadian

Association for Curriculum Studies (CACS). The Association selected Mogadime's dissertation entitled "Making meaning of women teachers' life histories and political commitments in the classroom" for the CACS Outstanding Dissertation of the Year Award, 2004. The award is intended for students who defend doctoral dissertations at a Canadian University in the calendar year preceding the application deadline. Three short-listed finalists for the competition were asked to submit three copies of their dissertations for adjudication by a panel of three experienced researchers in curriculum studies at Canadian universities who are members of CACS. Submissions were judged on their overall quality, substance, distinctiveness and significance. As the winner of the CACS award, Mogadime received a plaque and \$500 for expenses to attend the CACS celebration at the Canadian Society for the Study of Education (CSSE) Congress at the University of Manitoba in Winnipeg, which was held May 29 to June 1.

## Opening of Term Dinner on Sept. 1

The Opening of Term Dinner will be hosted in the Residence Dining Hall on Wednesday, September 1, at 6:30 p.m., with dinner served at 7:30 p.m.

As in past years, tickets will be available from the Centre for the Arts Box Office, at ext. 3257. Tickets are \$30 each or \$240 for a table of eight. Individual tickets will be available with seating randomly assigned prior to the event.

Those wishing to reserve a table for eight should contact the Centre for the Arts Box Office and a table reservation form will be forwarded accordingly.

All reservations must be received by 4:30 p.m., on Friday, August 20.

## CIVIC HOLIDAY

The University will be observing the non-statutory Civic Holiday on Monday, August 2. Please note that depending on the operational needs of a Department/Division, it may require that the area be open on this day. If there are any questions, please contact Margo Carter in Human Resources: mcarter@brocku.ca or extension 3279.

## Brock Briefs...

### In Memory of...

I regret to announce the sudden death of Kathleen Jackson after a long illness from Alzheimer's disease. Kathleen, the wife of John N. Jackson, Professor Emeritus in the Department of Geography, arrived at Brock in 1965 from Manchester University in England, when Brock was small, very community oriented, and the small group of faculty knew each other, their respective spouses, and often their children. Though their numbers now steadily diminish, Kathleen always spoke with great enthusiasm about those early days, helping to create a new University. We thank those early members of the Brock Community who have phoned, sent cards of sympathy, or who attended the memorial service. We particularly thank John Mayer, Professor Emeritus from the Department of Philosophy, who organized the service of remembrance, and Josephine Meeker, retired Professor from the Department of Geography, who played the organ.

- John N. Jackson

### MEd thesis defence

An MEd thesis defence for John Hodson, Faculty of Education, will be held on Wednesday, August 4, at 10 a.m., in the Alumni Lounge

The title of his thesis is: Learning and Healing: A Wellness Pedagogy for Aboriginal Teacher Education.

Thesis Supervisor: Dr. Michael Manley-Casimir; External Examiner: Dr. Eber Hampton, First Nations University of Canada; Committee Members: Dr. Sybil Wilson, Dr. Sandra Bosacki.

### Brock's Verbeek wins gold at Canada Cup

In her final preparation before the 2004 Summer Olympics in Athens, Tonya Verbeek (Beamsville, ON) captured gold at the 2004 Canada Cup held at the University of Guelph defeating Japan's Hatsumi Nakanishi in the gold medal match. For her performance she was named the Outstanding Canadian Female Wrestler. Other top finishers for Brock were Saeed Azerbaijani (St. Catharines, ON) who won bronze at 60kg and Steve Snyders (Calgary, AB) who placed fourth at 120kg.

Verbeek advanced to the championship at 55kg after defeating Canadian Erica Sharp (U of Calgary) by the score of 6-1. During the preliminary rounds she defeated Canadian Brit Laverdure (U of Calgary) by pin. Verbeek was one of four Canadians to win gold as the Canadian women placed first in overall team standings with 61 points.

## Brock University

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# Brock community uses state of the art remote collaboration technologies

The Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technology (CTLET), in partnership with Information Technology Services (ITS), now provides Brock faculty and staff with an integrated solution that simplifies real-time collaboration with remotely located partners. The options provided by video and data conferencing permit Brock employees to work collaboratively with individuals or groups of colleagues at other institutions by using technology at their desktops, labs, classrooms or in Welch Hall 147. The cost effectiveness of remote collaboration provides a major incentive in these times of budgetary constraint and increased demands on time, enabling substantial savings in travel costs (e.g. airfare, hotels, meals) and a significant elimination of non-productive travel time.

To appreciate the advantages this highly reliable technology offers, reflect momentarily on a face-to-face meeting that is to be arranged between three colleagues who are located in Freiburg, Germany, Monterrey, Mexico, and St. Catharines. Consider the time required by them to synchronize their schedules, make travel arrangements, and coordinate coverage for their duties in order to achieve such a meeting. Alternatively, consider that ten minutes to complete an online booking request form and a subsequent exchange of emails are the substantial steps necessary to orchestrate a multi-point videoconferencing version of the same meeting. The process just became a hundred times easier and at an enormous cost reduction.

The BRIDGIT data-conferencing system is CTLET's new and easy way to share information. Brock ITS has assigned this application to a powerful server that enables employees to collaborate with anyone, anywhere in the world. Faculty and staff can now quickly and easily connect from their PC workstations to remotely located partners, share a desktop instantly, share control of desktops, write on top of displayed material, view each others' webcams, and keep their data secure.

Numerous Brock faculty members, administrators and students have already engaged in remote collaborations and acknowledge the power of both BRIDGIT and Videoconferencing to facilitate remote collaboration. Dr. Michael Owen, Brock's Associate Vice President, Research, joined with Brock colleagues Drs. Jack Miller and Mary Jane Miller to attend a three hour research meeting with a team of colleagues at the University of Calgary, without ever leaving the Brock University campus. Professor C. Michael Hall, Senior Research Fellow of the New Zealand Natural Heritage Foundation, recently delivered, from Dunedin, NZ, a highly interactive lecture to 25 Brock University students enrolled in Professor Micha Lueck's Strategic Management in Tourism course, lecturing, sharing viewpoints, highlighting components of his presentation media, and engaging in an interactive discussion with Brock students.

Brock Professors Marlene Moser and Gillian Raby, along with University of Waterloo Professor Gerd Hauck, engaged twenty of their third-year Drama students in an innovative and robust three hour interactive theatre-sports session that demonstrated the wide ranging capabilities of Brock's videoconferencing technologies.

Dr. Jing Ping Wang, Mathematics Research Associate (Post-Doc), recently successfully interviewed, via video and data conference, resulting in a position with Kent University (UK). Mike Laurence, CTLET Educational Technology Consultant, employed BRIDGIT technology from his desktop workstation to present the Brock Interactive Lesson Design tool to a remote gathering of university directors of continuing education (OCULL) located across Ontario.

Further information is available by contacting Mike Laurence at ext. 4812 or via email at: mike.laurence@brocku.ca Watch for scheduled BRIDGIT training sessions to be scheduled this Fall.

To obtain further information on

videoconferencing services at Brock University, or to request booking, please visit: <http://www.brocku.ca/videoconferencing>

Faculty members are also invited to utilize the array of remote collaboration technologies available at CTLET's Smartroom (Welch Hall 147). Smartroom booking requests can be made online at:

<http://www.brocku.ca/ctlet/booking/>  
BRIDGIT desktop collaboration technology presentations will be regularly delivered by CTLET staff over the coming months to enable staff to enjoy the convenience and power of this innovative approach to remote collaboration. Contact CTLET at extension 3933 or visit the CTLET website for more details at: <http://www.brocku.ca/ctlet/>

## FACULTY AND STAFF

### EDUCATION

**Debra McLauchlan** attended the 5th IDEA (International Drama/Theatre and Education Association) International Congress, in Ottawa, Canada, July 2-8, where she presented a paper entitled Same Roadmap, Different Destinations; sat on an international panel entitled From Parts to Whole: The Role of Teacher Education in Promoting Innovation, Creative Expression, and Empowerment; and served as co-leader in a special interest group of international tertiary drama educators. She has been invited to co-edit a book of papers emerging from the conference proceedings.

### LIBRARY

**Phyllis Wright** gave a presentation on the Cooperative Online Repository for Information Literacy (CORIL) at the Canadian Library Association Pre-Conference session Information Literacy: A National Forum in Victoria, BC on June 16.

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND KINESIOLOGY

**Margarita Vikander** presented the following invited presentations at Smolensk Institute of Physical Culture (Russia) in June:

- Psycho-Pedagogical Aspects of University Physical Education in Canada.
- Educational Dance as an Alternative to Traditional Dance Education in Russian University Aesthetic Movement Programs.
- Another Way of Teaching Physical Education.

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## EVENTS

**Niagara Symphony:** The Niagara Symphony and Château des Charmes Wines present Strings in the Vineyard, Sunday August 8, 2 p.m., at Chateau des Charmes, 1025 York Road, Niagara-on-the-Lake. Tickets: \$30. Tune your ears to the fine chamber orchestra music of the Niagara Symphony. Music Director Daniel Swift leads his string ensemble through a performance of light classics amidst the vines of the St. David's Bench Vineyard. Enjoy a Sunday afternoon of acoustic and visual harmony. Call 905-262-4219 for tickets.

**Ribfest:** The St. Catharines Rotary Ribfest will be held on July 30 through August 2, noon - 11 p.m. at Montebello Park. Admission is free. Try ribs from all over North America. Live bands every night including: Blush; Harvest Moon; The 905 Band; Tribute to Elvis; Downchild Blues Band; Odyssey Blues Band; Trick Bag; Steve Strongman. Enjoy beer, wine, coolers, with your ribs and support Rotary's projects in the community. All are welcome. See you at the Ribfest on Civic Holiday Weekend.