

Sankey memorial service Saturday

Family, friends and the community will pay tribute to Brock University's second chancellor this weekend.

A memorial service June 20 at the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre will commemorate Dr. Charles Sankey, who died April 29 at the age of 103. He was a local engineer and volunteer remembered as one of Brock's most active chancellors.

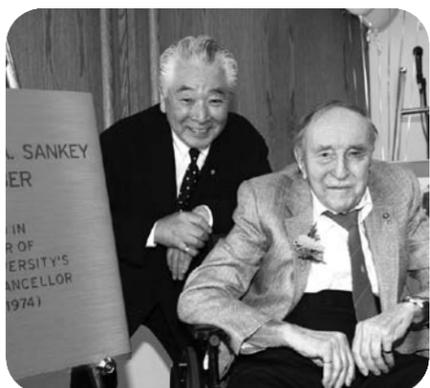
Dr. Sankey was born July 31, 1905 in a remote municipality in Manitoba. He was raised on a farm west of Belleville and attended Upper Canada College, the University of Toronto and McGill University, earning a PhD. He moved to St. Catharines in 1935 and worked at the Ontario Paper Company in Thorold, retiring as vice-president research.

His work resulted in many advances in the technology of pulp and paper and its byproducts. He served in various capacities with the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association. His love of education led him to become Brock's chancellor from 1969 to 1974, when he kept an office on campus and often knew students by name. A lover of music, he helped establish the Department of Music at Brock, and he and wife Winifred were involved in the St. Catharines Symphony and St. Catharines Youth Orchestra. He was also a founding member of the Church of the Unitarian Fellowship of St. Catharines, now the Unitarian Congregation of Niagara.

He was an active Mason and served on the Supreme Council. He was also Director Emeritus of the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation of Canada and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts, of the Chemical Institute of Canada and of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and a member of the University of Toronto Hall of Distinction. He received honorary degrees from Queen's University and Brock. In 1973, he was the St. Catharines Citizen of the Year.

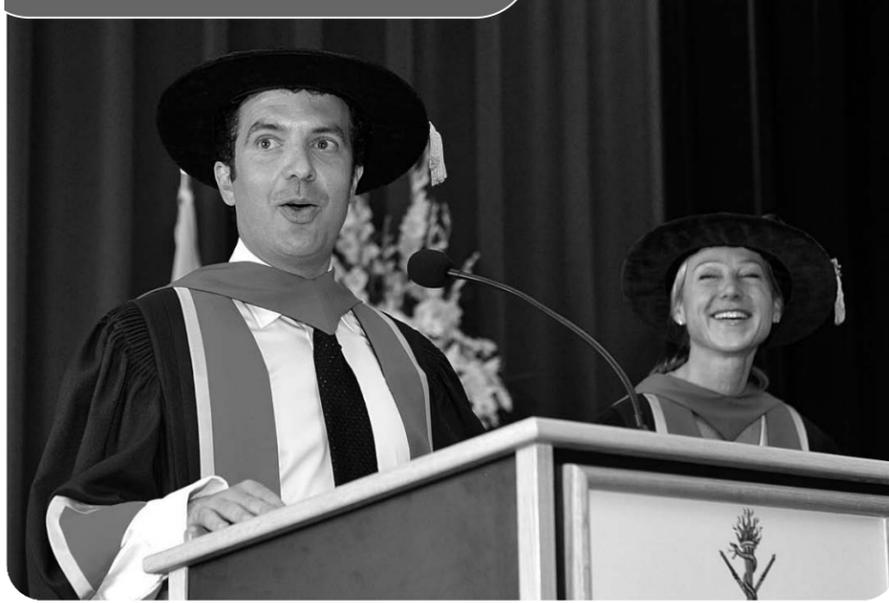
He is survived by four children, 10 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

The service will be held at 2 p.m., followed by a reception at Pond Inlet from 3 to 5 p.m.



Dr. Charles Sankey, right, poses with then-Chancellor Raymond Moriyama in 2007 at the commemoration of the Sankey Chamber.

This hour has many graduates



Comedian Rick Mercer and philanthropist Belinda Stronach address Convocation after receiving honorary Doctor of Law degrees June 9.

Spread the Net founders headline Convocation week

The week of annual ceremonies that saw some 3,500 students receive degrees from Brock was kicked off with some star power.

Rick Mercer, a comedian known for his CBC show *The Rick Mercer Report*, and Belinda Stronach, former member of Parliament and chair of the Belinda Stronach Foundation, were the first to receive honorary degrees and address Convocation last week. They became honorary Doctors of Law for founding Spread the Net, a charity that has seen about 370,000 bed nets distributed in Africa to slow the spread of malaria.

"I'm still trying to figure out how I got here," Mercer said. His greatest piece of paper marking achievement, he joked, was not his high school diploma, but a threatening letter from the lawyer of former Reform Party leader Preston Manning.

Stronach, who is executive vice-chair of Magna International, quoted the late Dr. June Callwood, a journalist and activist who received an honorary degree from Brock in 2006.

"If any of you happen to see an injustice, you are no longer a spectator, you are a participant," Stronach said. "And you have an obligation to do something."

Mercer, a former *This Hour Has 22 Minutes* cast member, advised graduates to see more of the country.

"Most of us stand at hockey games and sing about the true north strong and free, but most of us will go through our lives and never go there," he said. "I'm telling you, graduates, you have to go there. Dildo, Newfoundland is a place. You should go there."

Honorary degrees were also bestowed on Richard Howden Tomlinson and Roy Cairns. The former was lauded for his commitment to education, research, entrepreneurship and philanthropy. Cairns is a lawyer, businessman and longtime Brock supporter.

Cairns encouraged Faculty of Business graduates to get experience and become life-long learners.

"It is a tough market place out there today," he said. "But do not fear. If you start at the bottom of the business world and gain work place experience, that along with your

advanced education will greatly enhance your job marketability."

Other highlights:

Faculty of Applied Health Sciences

Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching — James Mandigo, Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology

Board of Trustees Spirit of Brock medals — Jennifer McCord (undergraduate) and Lisa Cotie (graduate)

Faculty of Education

Convocation speakers —

Wayne Joudrie, director, Halton District School Board; Warren Hoshizaki, director, District School Board of Niagara

Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching — Susan Tilley, Department of Graduate and Undergraduate Studies

Board of Trustees Spirit of Brock medals — Mubina Mohsinali Panju (undergraduate) and Kimberly Anne Maich (graduate)

Faculty of Humanities

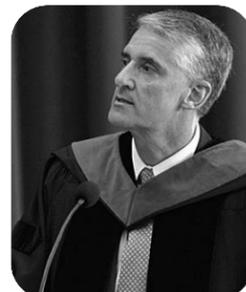
Convocation speaker — Andy Panko

Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching — David Vivian, Department of Dramatic Arts

Board of Trustees Spirit of Brock medals — Adam Shoalts (undergraduate) and Laura Marie Comfort (graduate)

Faculty of Mathematics and Sciences

Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching —



Joudrie



Tomlinson

Brock nets \$2 million in SSHRC grants

Brock researchers have been awarded more than \$2 million in federal funding for studies ranging from drinking water systems to weight loss programs.

Nearly 40 researchers are sharing \$2.25 million in grants through the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). That is double the amount of previous years.

The largest grants include Ryan Plummer, associate professor in Tourism and Environment, for the research "First Nations and source waters: understanding vulnerabilities and building capacity for governance." That project, in which Plummer is paired up with researchers from Waterloo and Laurier, received \$263,496.

Lorenzo Cherubini, principal investigator, and John Hodson and Michael Manley-Casimir, co-investigators, all from the Faculty of Education, received a \$202,749 grant for "Analyzing the impact of new education policy on Aboriginal youth in Northern Ontario schools: An Interdisciplinary and bi-epistemic approach toward building capacity." The project, with a McMaster University investigator, falls under the Special Call Northern Communities: Towards Social and Economic Prosperity initiative.

Mohammed Dore, principal investigator, and Khaleghi Moghadam, co-investigator, both from Economics, received \$171,499 for "Modernizing drinking water supply in small and rural communities: sustainability and risk."

Other recipients are:

- Chelsea Willness, Organizational Behaviour, Human Resource Management, Entrepreneurship and Ethics — \$31,847 for "Attracting job applicants: The role of organizational image and corporate social responsibility."

- John McNamara, Child and Youth Studies — \$24,316 for "Closing the summer learning gap for vulnerable learners: A pilot study."

- Tim Dun, Communication, Popular Culture and Film — \$28,506 for "Family communication at the start of a new generation."

- Gyllian Raby, Dramatic Arts — \$140,277 for "Devising theatre with youth in Niagara high schools."

- Nancy Cook, Sociology, and David Butz, Geography — \$84,200 for "Life in the fast lane: Road construction, accessibility and social change in Shimshal, Pakistan."

- Christine Daigle, Philosophy — \$42,873 for "Nietzsche as phenomenologist."

- Ann Duffy and June Corman, Sociology and the Centre for Labour Studies — \$99,567 for "Displaced workers and their communities."

- Thomas Farrell, Applied

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Brock Briefs

THESIS DEFENCES

• A Master of Arts thesis defence for **Ryan Howard**, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, will be held Wednesday, June 17 at 2 p.m. in WC 204A. The title of his thesis is "A Case Study of the Ottawa Valley Whitewater Rafting Industry: Standards and Risk Management." Supervisor: Dr. Tim O'Connell; External Examiner: Dr. Brent Cuthbertson; Lakehead University; Committee Members: Dr. Mary Breunig; Dr. Erin Sharpe; Chair: TBA. All are welcome.

• A Master of Arts thesis defence for **Sandy Kovacs** will be June 19 at 2 p.m. in WH147. The title of her thesis is "Weathering a Hidden Storm: An Application of Andersen's Behavioral Model of Health, and Health Services Use for Those with Diagnosable Anxiety Disorder." Thesis supervisor: Dr. Glenn Stalker; External examiner: Dr. Jiri Zuzanek, University of Waterloo; Committee Members: Drs. Ann Dunphy and John Cairney; Chair: TBA. All are welcome.

• **Katarzyna Zygmunt** will defend her Master of Science thesis "Effects of naringenin on glucose transport in L6 skeletal muscle cells" on June 19 at 11 a.m. in WC204A. Thesis Supervisor: Dr. Evangelia Tsiani; External Examiner: Dr. Carol Rodgers, University of Saskatchewan; Committee Members: Drs. Huidi Wang and Phil Bilan; Chair: TBA. All are welcome.

• Master of Science thesis defence for **Laura Fitzgibbon**, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, will be Wednesday, June 24 at 9:30 a.m. in WC204B. The title of her thesis is "Autonomic Regulation and Blood Pressure in Children." Thesis supervisor: Dr. Panagiota Klentrou; External examiner: Dr. Maureen MacDonald, McMaster University; Committee members: Drs. Deborah O'Leary and Brian Roy; Chair: Dr. Phil Sullivan. All are welcome.

• Master of Science thesis defence for **Timna Merion**, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences will be Friday, June 26 at 9:30 a.m. in WH147. The title of her thesis is "Vitamin D status and latent tuberculosis infection: a preliminary study in a group of healthy Mexican agricultural workers." Thesis supervisor: Dr. Ana Sanchez; External examiner: Dr. Wendy Ward, University of Toronto; Committee members: Drs. Paul LeBlanc and Evangelia Tsiani; Chair: TBA. All are welcome.

Library joins national association

After a rigorous application process, the James A. Gibson Library has joined the Canadian Association of Research Libraries (CARL).

CARL is the leadership organization for the Canadian research library community. Its members, who voted for Brock's admission, consists of 27 (now 28) academic research libraries, plus Library and Archives Canada, the Canada Institute for Scientific and Technical Information and the Library of Parliament.

Distinguished alumni nominations needed

The Alumni Association needs nominees for the Brock Alumni Association Distinguished Alumni Award.

The award is presented annually during Brock Days to a graduate who makes exceptional contributions to his or her profession and community.

If you know of any Brock alumni who exemplify these characteristics, send his or her name and a brief statement about why the person is deserving to alumniassociation@brocku.ca, or call ext. 4502.

Farmers' market starts

The annual Brock University Farmers' Market has opened its doors for the season.

Every Friday from June to September, at least a dozen farmers will sell produce in the Jubilee Courtyard at Brock. The market, administered by Brock University Community Connections, is 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.



John Hodson, right, research officer with the Faculty of Education, chats with Amos Key, Haudenosaunee language expert, at the recent Tomorrow is Mine conference at Brock. The conference, held by the Tecumseh Centre for Aboriginal Research and Education, drew teachers from across the District School Board of Niagara to discuss Aboriginal education. "This conference highlights Brock's commitment to the improvement of all Aboriginal students," centre director Michael Manley-Casimir said.

Klentrou teaching gymnastics in Namibia

A Brock University professor was recently in Namibia as part of her international program to teach children gymnastics.

Nota Klentrou, chair of the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology, conducted her third International Gymnastics Coaching course June 6 to 15. Her goal is to improve the health, safety and fitness of children in developing countries.

Klentrou taught a course in Italy last September, and another in Malaysia in December. She is responsible for curriculum

development and Age Development Program guidelines for rhythmic gymnastics with the International Gymnastics Federation.

Her involvement in gymnastics began as a world-class rhythmic gymnast, and continued with coaching and judging. She is a recognized world expert in sport science and coaching education, and acted as a results supervisor at the Athens 2004 Olympic Games. Her research is in the area of pediatric exercise physiology with a focus on the healthy development of young athletes.

Notice of application of larvicide for mosquito control

From June 4 to Sept. 30, 2009, Brock University will conduct a larviciding program under the authority of the Medical Officer of Health, Regional Municipality of Niagara, to control larval mosquitoes in order to prevent their development into vectors of West Nile virus.

The larvicide Methoprene (ingot formulation, PCP No. 27694), under the federal Pest Control Products Act, will be applied by direct hand application into catch basins at Brock University-owned and leased properties within the Region of Niagara.

The biological larvicide B.t.i. (granular formulation, PCP No. 26863) may be placed by direct hand application into selected bodies of surface water such as ditches and ponds, depending on the results of testing for the presence of mosquito larvae. Signs will be posted at surface water locations where B.t.i. is applied. All larvicides will be applied by Ministry of the Environment licenced applicators.

For details on the exact locations and dates of treatments, please contact Brock University at 1-905-688-5550, ext. 3717 (collect calls will be accepted).

Medieval mystery



Examining the parchment are, from left, University Archivist David Sharron, chaplain André Basson, History/Medieval Studies professor Andrew McDonald and Angus Somerville, associate professor in English Language and Literature.

Medieval land document causes a stir

One of the oldest documents in Ontario has been found in a drawer in Brock University's Special Collections.

University archivists initially thought a land document – and its accompanying seal and quill sharpener – dated back to the 15th century. But experts studying it now believe it dates back as far as 1216.

"We're used to thinking in terms of 1812, so to find something that dates back to the 1200s is quite remarkable," said Margaret Grove, University librarian.

No one knows how the parchment, written in Latin on animal skin, ended up in Special Collections. It sat safely curled in a box in a filing cabinet until last year, when staff cleared drawers for more microfilm storage space, said David Sharron, head of Special Collections. The note taped to the box said it was from the 15th century.

Sharron mentioned the find while having a cup of coffee with Andrew McDonald, professor of History and director of the Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies.

McDonald contacted Angus Somerville, an associate professor of English Language and Literature, and chaplain André Basson.

The researchers know it involves the negotiation of land between Robert de Clopton and his son William in England. They have been scouring medieval archives to identify the eight witnesses mentioned on the undated document. The text facilitates the transfer of about 30 acres – probably one parcel in a larger land grant – between members of a family of "lower-to-mid-level nobility" near Stratford-upon-Avon, Somerville said. Some members of the de Clopton family are buried in the same cemetery as William Shakespeare.

The parchment is a "once in a career" find, Sharron said. It is the oldest document he knows of in an Ontario university collection.

Rosemary Hale, dean of Humanities, called the parchment "an absolutely wonderful find, and it's terrific, the mystery surrounding it."

Grants double last year's total

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Linguistics — \$53,673 for "Professional development through reflective practice."

• Ann Howey, English Language and Literature — \$29,285 for "Trapped ladies and dead lily maids: The Lady of Shalott/Elaine of Astolat in popular culture."

• Rene Kirkegaard, Economics — \$30,057 for "Manipulating auctions with many heterogeneous bidders."

• Jane Koustas, Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures — \$47,432 for "Robert Lepage in Toronto: Transforming translation/theatre practice."

• Cheryl McCormick, Psychology — \$90,000 for "Situational factors, personality traits, physiological markers and their relevance to aggressive behaviour."

• Michelle Webber, Sociology — \$133,951 for "The New Scholarly Subject: Academic work, subjectivities and accountability governance."

• Julian Kitchen and John Hodson, Faculty of Education — \$30,290 for "Aboriginal teachers in Northern Nishnawbe Nations: Learning and enacting Aboriginal pedagogy."

• Adam Dickinson, English Language and Literature — \$13,515 for "The Science of Skins: Pataphysics, Biosemiotics and Environmental Poetics."

• Danny Cho, Finance, Operations and Information Systems, and Tomson Ogwang, Economics — \$31,500 for "A conceptual framework and analysis for developing alternative global purchasing managers' indices."

• Hemantha Herath, Accounting — \$27,334 for "A study of Copula functions in real options."

• Mark Julien and Deborah Zinni, Organizational Behaviour, Human Resource

Management, Entrepreneurship and Ethics — \$8,104 for "Evaluating the effectiveness of Aboriginal network groups."

• Maxim Voronov, Marketing, International Business and Strategy, and Dirk De Clercq, Organizational Behaviour, Human Resource Management, Entrepreneurship and Ethics — \$85,024 for "Creating symbolic value in commercial cultural production: The Ontario wine industry."

• Lianxi Zhou, Marketing, International Business and Strategy — \$66,194 for "Consumer responses to negative brand publicity: The role of informational characteristics, risk perception, and perceived degree of control."

• Mary Breunig, Recreation and Leisure Studies — \$24,944 for "Evaluating the impact of integrated environmental studies programs in Ontario."

• Miya Narushima and Jian Liu, Community Health Sciences — \$75,867 for "Community-based lifelong learning for active aging: A case study of public continuing education programs for seniors in Toronto."

• Philip Wilson and Diane Mack, Physical Education and Kinesiology — \$163,067 for "Understanding behavioural persistence in weight-loss programs: An application of self-determination theory."

• Lynn McCleary, Nursing — \$20,000 to make a formal application for "Engaged scholarship: Evaluating community care for older adults," through the Community-Universities Research Alliances (CURA).

"We greatly appreciate the support of the federal government in research," said Liette Vasseur, Vice-President Research. "Brock has increasingly taken a greater place in Canadian research over the past few years and these results demonstrate the research excellence housed at Brock."



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Faculty of Education graduates cheer on their peers at the Convocation ceremony for the Hamilton campus.

Convocation honoured faculty, students

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Andrew Reynolds, Department of Biological Sciences

Board of Trustees Spirit of Brock medals — Tamara Foster (undergraduate) and Amy Blake (graduate)

Faculty of Social Sciences

Convocation speakers — Kenneth Kernaghan, Zopito Marini

Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching —

Paul Tyson

Board of Trustees Spirit of Brock medals — Ashley Millar (undergraduate) and Lindsay Adams (graduate)

Faculty of Business

Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching — Mohamed Ayadi

Board of Trustees Spirit of Brock medals — Jordan Harding (undergraduate) and Russell Alex Evans (graduate)



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Roy Cairns, above left, receives an honorary degree from University President Jack Lightstone at Convocation on June 13. Andrew Reynolds, far right, from the Department of Biological Sciences receives the Faculty of Mathematics and Science Award for Excellence in Teaching from the Faculty dean, Ian Brindle, on June 12.



Student headed to U.S. conference

A Brock psychology student is the only Canadian to win a spot in a prestigious National Science Foundation (NSF) summer school this month.



Morrissey

Mark Morrissey, 23, is one of 10 students accepted into the U.S. government agency's Summer School of Behavioural Neuroendocrinology. For one week, he will study the impact of hormones on behaviour with researchers from American universities like the Georgia Institute of Technology and the University of Massachusetts.

Morrissey submitted a two-page paper about his career goals and letters of reference to earn the placement.

The son of a business owner and

elementary school teacher, Morrissey originally attended Brock with an eye on law school. But in his third year, he took Professor Cheryl McCormick's course about hormones and behaviour. McCormick, a Canada Research Chair in Behavioural Neuroscience, became his faculty supervisor. Graduate students Justin Carré and Iva Mathews became mentors.

"When people hear about hormones, they think of puberty. They don't realize how much of an impact hormones have on our day-to-day lives, our health, our decision making and our general social interaction," Morrissey said.

The placement will give the undergraduate student rare exposure to top researchers, McCormick said.

"My graduate students and I recruited Mark to our lab because we spotted his potential," she said.

The Summer School will be June 17 to 23, followed by a meeting of the Society for Behavioural Endocrinology.

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People in the news

Michael J. Armstrong, associate professor, Faculty of Business, published an op-ed article about the impact of the USA's country of origin labeling (COOL) food law in the *Hamilton Spectator*, the *Edmonton Journal* and the *Halifax Chronicle-Herald*. He also appeared on *AM 680 Winnipeg*, *AM 770 Calgary*, *FM 91.9 Moncton* and *FM 93.1 Prince George*.

Ellen Robb, president of the Graduate Students' Association, appeared in the May 9 *St. Catharines Standard* article "Brock student gets \$150,000 grant to study health benefits of red wine." Robb was interviewed about receiving a Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship. The story was reprinted in the *North Bay Nugget*. She also appeared in *Niagara This Week*.

Debbie Slade, director, Centre for the Arts, appeared in a May 22 *St. Catharines Standard* article entitled "Boyz II Men headline Brock's new season." The article also appeared in the *Welland Tribune*.

Jack Lightstone, president, appeared in the May 23 issue of the May 23 article "Arts Centre a go" in the *St. Catharines Standard*, when he discussed future plans for the Marilyn I. Walker School of Fine and Performing Arts.

Justin Henhawk, a business administration finance student, received more media coverage as a winner of Brock University's Aboriginal Achievement Award. In "Through adversity came success" in the *St. Catharines Standard* May 23, Henhawk discussed his turbulent past and the triumph of post-secondary

education. The story also appeared in the *Brantford Expositor* and the *Red Deer Advocate*, among others.

Leah Bradshaw, associate professor, Political Science, published a letter in the *St. Catharines Standard* entitled "A vibrant city requires a pedestrian-friendly downtown core," in which she supported two-way traffic.

David Sharron, University Archivist, and Andrew McDonald, professor, History, appeared in "Bottom of filing cabinet yields top-drawer discovery" in the May 30 edition of the *Globe and Mail*. The *St. Catharines Standard* ran two articles on the subject. The story also appeared on *CP24* and *AM 610*, and in several newspapers nationwide, including the *Hamilton Spectator* and the *Calgary Sun*.

David Siegel, professor, Political Science, appeared in a May 28 *Guelph Mercury* article entitled "Become a 'global city.'" The article outlines Siegel's talk to Guelph city councillors and staff.

Charles Burton, professor, Political Science, was interviewed for the May 13 article "Tories restart Chinese rights dialogue amid skepticism" for *Embassy*. He also published a June 4 opinion piece, "Tiananmen: 20 years later, suppression still reigns," in the *Halifax Chronicle-Herald*. On that same subject, he was quoted in *Le Devoir* and interviewed for the CBC's *Radio Canada International Chinese Service* on June 2.

Gary Pickering, professor, Wine Science appeared the June 8 *Philadelphia Inquirer* in "Science's toast to wine-in-a-box." He discussed how one type of cardboard packaging reduced an unpleasant "green" taste in wine. An article on the subject also appeared in the *New Scientist*.

Local student wins Lou Cahill award

A St. Catharines student has been named the 2009 winner of the Lou Cahill Scholarship in Communications.

Michelle Idzenga was awarded for her academic excellence, community involvement and participation in charitable activities. The award is in the name of Dr. Lou Cahill, a public relations icon who died in November at the age of 94. He also held a honorary doctoral degree from Brock.

"Michelle's tireless commitment to her community and education certainly would have made Lou Cahill proud," said Barbara Fox, president and CEO of OEB Enterprise, a public relations firm Dr. Cahill founded.

"Michelle is one of those rare students who exhibits a real desire to make a

difference in her community, whether it is in the classroom or beyond the University," instructor Sharon Broderick said. "Her focus, energy and dedication contribute to her student legacy."



Idzenga

The Lou Cahill Scholarship funds are managed by the Communications and Public Relations Foundation.

The scholarship, valued at \$1,250, is for graduating students from the Department of Communications, Popular Culture and Film at Brock.

Three questions with... Peter Somerwil



Peter Somerwil went from purchasing at St. Catharines Hydro to head coach of the Brock University Rowing program about five years ago. He has more than 30 years of rowing experience, including a 1993 gold medal win at the World Championships on the Canadian lightweight men's eight team.

What do you like about your job?

I like working with the athletes. They're at a critical juncture in their lives where it's about more than just rowing.

What do you do for fun?

A lot of my spare time is involved in rowing. I'm involved with the Leander Boat Club in Hamilton, and the South Niagara Rowing Club in Welland, as well as the St. Catharines club. I'm also working on a brand new regatta. It's not a 9-to-5 job.

What was the last good book you read?

One book I found interesting was Dr. (Raymond) Moriyama's book on the war museum. I also liked *Outliers* by Malcolm Gladwell, which is an interesting book to look at from a rowing perspective.

"Three questions with..." is a new feature allowing faculty and staff to get to know their co-workers. Suggestions for the next profile can be made via campusnews@brocku.ca or by calling ext. 4420.

Faculty and Staff

APPLIED LINGUISTICS

Veena Dwivedi presented a paper "Semantic underspecification and anaphora" (with student Matthew Goldhawk) for the Canadian Linguistic Association conference, part of the 2009 Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences at Carleton University on May 25. She and Goldhawk also presented "The role of semantic context in quantification and anaphora" at the first Meeting of Semanticists Active in Canada workshop at the University of Ottawa.

Thomas S. C. Farrell gave the keynote address at the Korea TESOL National Conference: Professional Development through Reflective Practice in Chungju, Korea on May 16. He also gave two workshops in Korea on May 17 and May 19 on Reflective Practice for Language Teachers.

David Hayes presented "English as a global language: Perspectives from university students in Thailand" at the annual conference of the Canadian Association of Applied Linguistics Conference at Carleton University on May 27 to 29.

H. M. McGarrell presented "From theory to practice: student teachers implement teacher response strategies" at the Canadian Association of Applied Linguistics Conference, May 27 to 29 at Carleton University. McGarrell also presented "What happens when student teachers engage in peer feedback for their own writing?" with C. Danforth and S. Burger.

COMMUNITY HEALTH SCIENCES

Ana Sanchez, graduate student Angela Duarte and Honduran scientist Gustavo Fontecha participated in a three-day seminar in Biosafety Management Systems and attended the 8th Annual International High Containment Biosafety Workshop on May 6 to 15. Both were held at the National Microbiology Laboratory, Canadian Centre for Animal and Human Research in Winnipeg.

ECONOMICS

Steven Renzetti gave an invited presentation entitled "Economic and/or Market-Based Instruments to Allocate Water and Promote Conservation: Water Pricing" at the Alberta Water Resources Institute symposium "WATER: How Alberta Can Do More With Less!" in Calgary on March 4 and 5. He was also an invited participant at the "Change and Adaptation in Water Resources Governance in Canada" workshop sponsored by the L. R. Wilson Centre in Canadian History at McMaster University on April 24. Also, he was recently appointed to the expert advisory panel for the National Roundtable on Environment and Economy's two year study "Charting a Path: Water and Canada's Natural Resource Sectors."

EDUCATION

Kate Cassidy (Youth University and PhD candidate, Faculty of Education) and **Wendy Laslo** (Continuing Education) presented "What's the Master Plan? Emerging Trends and Planning For Continuing Education in a New Era" at the Canadian Association for University Continuing Education in Vancouver on May 22. Cassidy also presented "Higher Education and Strategic Change in the Wake of a New Era" at the Canadian Society for the Study of Higher Education Conference during the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences in Ottawa on May 26.

HISTORY

Barnett Singer presented "Questioning Gaullian Religion: The Impact of the Algerian Denouement on French Army Officers" at the 35th Annual Meeting of the French Colonial Historical Society, San Francisco on May 28 to 30.

ITS

Andreas Paulisch co-presented "Multi-factor authentication" at the Ontario Universities Computing Conference at Ryerson University on May 24 and 25. He also co-presented a

talk on the same subject at the Canadian Higher Education IT Conference at the Université de Montréal on June 8 to 10.

LIBRARY

Karen Bordonaro presented "Recursive and Reflexive: The Intersection of Information Literacy and Second Language Writing for International Students" at the WILU Conference (Workshop for Instruction in Library Use) at Concordia University in Montreal on May 26.

MATHEMATICS

Keeping with a well-established tradition of involvement in mathematics education, the Department of Mathematics attended the Ontario Association for Mathematics Education (O.A.M.E.) annual meeting in Ottawa on May 14 to 16. Some 1,000 mathematics high school and elementary school teachers attended. **Chantal Buteau** and **Dot Miners** represented the department at the exhibition booth. Buteau also presented a scientific popularization paper entitled "Mathematics and Music."

Thomas Wolf gave a talk "Numerical Computer Go" at the SharcNet Research Day at the University of Waterloo on May 21.

MUSIC

Harris Loewen conducted the Avanti Chamber Singers in a program of a cappella repertoire entitled "Sing We and Chant It" on April 25 in St. Catharines. The program consisted of Renaissance madrigals as well as 19th and 20th century choral settings of Elizabethan texts. Solo artists included Brock instructor Jonathan Earp, guitar, and Brock alumna Melissa Shriner, soprano.

Harris Loewen also conducted the Niagara Vocal Ensemble and pianist Karin di Bella in a program entitled "A Woman's Voice" in Fort Erie and Toronto on April 26 and May 3 respectively. The repertoire for this program consisted of treble-voice choral settings of poetry by female poets. The May 3 concert included solo flutist and Brock alumnus, Matthew Tran-Adams. Loewen also conducted the NVE in selections from this program for a concert entitled "A Gift of Music" in St. Catharines on May 2. Solo artists included Brock alumni Shelley Passfield, mezzo-soprano, and Matthew Therrien, piano, as well as current student Gary Forbes, piano.

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Leah Bradshaw presented the paper "Aesthetics and Politics" at the annual meeting of the New York State Political Science Association in New York City on April 26.

Charles Burton spoke on "What the Rise of China Means for Canada" to the Saskatoon Branch of the Canadian International Council at the Saskatoon Club on May 21. He also spoke (in Mandarin Chinese) on "China's Road to Democracy" at the forum From Tiananmen '89 to Charter '08 at the University of Toronto on May 31. On June 1, he spoke (in French) on "China's Attitudes to Citizenship and Democracy" at the forum "Tiananmen, 20 ans plus tard" at the Centre d'archives de Montreal sponsored by the Centre international des droits de la personne et du développement démocratique.

Matthew Hennigar and James Kelly presented their paper, "'An Unnecessary and Most Unwise Move?' Separating the Attorney General from the Minister of Justice in Civil Law Matters," to the Canadian Political Science Association at the Congress of Humanities and Social Sciences in Ottawa on May 27 to 29.

Larry Savage presented a paper entitled "The Shifting Landscape of Local Politics in Ontario" at the annual meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association at Carleton University in Ottawa on May 29.

David Siegel made a presentation to

councillors and senior staff of the City of Guelph on "Opportunities and Challenges Facing Municipal Government" on May 27.

Publications

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Events

Community Connections

Join Brock University's team in this year's Canadian Cancer Society Relay For Life. It will be on Brock's campus from 7 p.m. on Friday, June 19 to Saturday, June 20 at 7 a.m. To pledge or participate, contact Jessica at jc06cn@brocku.ca or visit www.cancer.ca/relay

Department of Athletics

Brock Badgers Summer Sports Camps will be offered all summer for children and youth ages six to 14. Camps include Sports School, volleyball, basketball, soccer and hockey. For all the details on all of our camps, visit www.brocku.ca/athletics/sportscamps.php

International Speaker Series

Tamer Thabet will present "Computer games as storytellers," discussing the potential of game fiction. Thabet is a PhD All But Dissertation (ABD) in computer games and literary theory at the University of Antwerp, Belgium. The event will be Tuesday, June 23 from noon to 1 p.m. at Decew Residence R208.

Youth University

Bring family, neighbours and friends for an afternoon of climbing at our high ropes course. No experience or athletic ability is needed. Let our friendly staff help you learn to climb together safely. The family and friends climb is a great day for those looking to try something new together. Call 905-688-5550, ext. 3120 to register. Dates available are July 11, Aug. 8 or Sept. 19.

Classifieds

Seeking January rental: Professor seeks rental for Winter 2010 semester or longer. Must be quiet and in St. Catharines. primarustica@earthlink.net

For sale: Beautiful and custom built by award-winning John Boldt Builders Co. two-storey house in St. Catharines, north of QEW. 3,000+ sq. ft. (5 BR, 3.5 BTH, 2 car garage), walking distance from school, shopping, parks, and trail. 15 minutes from Brock and three minutes from QEW. For information please see the web site <http://web.mac.com/alex2010> or inquire 716-697-1695. Also available for rent.

Unique House for sale: Close to Brock in

Fonthill. Private, spacious, sun room, fire places, hot tub. Must be seen. (905)892-3966.

For rent: Available Sept. 1, fully furnished spacious and bright main-floor bachelor apartment; professionally managed, newly renovated unit with hardwood flooring, minutes from Brock on bus route. Shared laundry facilities, deck and outdoor pool. Parking and additional storage available. \$975/month, utilities, digital cable and high speed Internet included. Four month minimum lease. Ideal for a visiting academic or graduate student. Please contact: 905-941-5115.

For rent: Available immediately, \$550 - \$650/month/room; minutes from Brock on bus route. Two fully furnished bedrooms featuring your choice of bed style; study area with desk and chair, book shelf, in-room bar fridge and ample wardrobe and lighting solutions. Furnished common areas, appliances, hydro, heat, water, digital cable and high speed wireless Internet included. Shared laundry facilities, deck and outdoor pool. Parking and additional storage available. Eight month minimum lease. Ideal for a visiting academic or graduate student. Please contact 905-941-5115.

For rent: Available immediately, \$475/month/room. Only five-minute commute to Brock! Two newly renovated furnished bedrooms and common areas, private laundry, appliances, hydro, heat, water, cable and high speed wireless Internet included. Parking and additional storage available. Twelve month lease preferred. Female applicants only. Please contact 905-941-5115.

House or apartment wanted: Brock faculty member and husband looking for furnished house or apartment in St. Catharines, from Aug./Sept. 2009 to May 2010; exact dates negotiable. We are quiet non-smokers with no pets. House/petsitting and garden care okay too. Please e-mail bburrell@brocku.ca or call 513-556-1944 (weekdays) or 513-861-0809 (evenings).

House for sale: Grapeview bungalow - 1,500 sq. foot, two bedrooms, two baths, kitchen with dinette, formal dining room, gas f/p, double garage with concrete drive, asking \$269,900; call 905-938-0796.

Quiet apartment in St. Catharines Heritage District. Top floor of a charming residence on Yates Street. Hardwood floors in large bedroom, living room, hallway and the office/study overlooking ravine; eat-in kitchen; a good-sized bathroom with clawfoot tub/shower; walk-in storage. \$825 inclusive. Available Aug. 1. Contact Mark or Barbara at 905-684-6386.

Family seeking new pet: Our family of four would love a small dog to join our family forever. We have been looking for a dog that will stay quite small as an adult - maltese, miniature poodle, yorkie, westie, bichon, (crossbreed or pure) - could be a new puppy or young-adult dog. If you know of any for sale or adoption, please contact Sheila at 905-401-1440.

Brand New You Wellness Conference: a reminder

There will be advance registration confirmation today (June 17) from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in ST1215 for the Brand New You Wellness Conference June 18. If you are not participating in the conference, you can still enjoy the lunch hour music in the Walker Courtyard, the Share Our Wealth charity penny sale in Bob Davis Gym and the used book sale next to the Red Wall in the Walker Complex.