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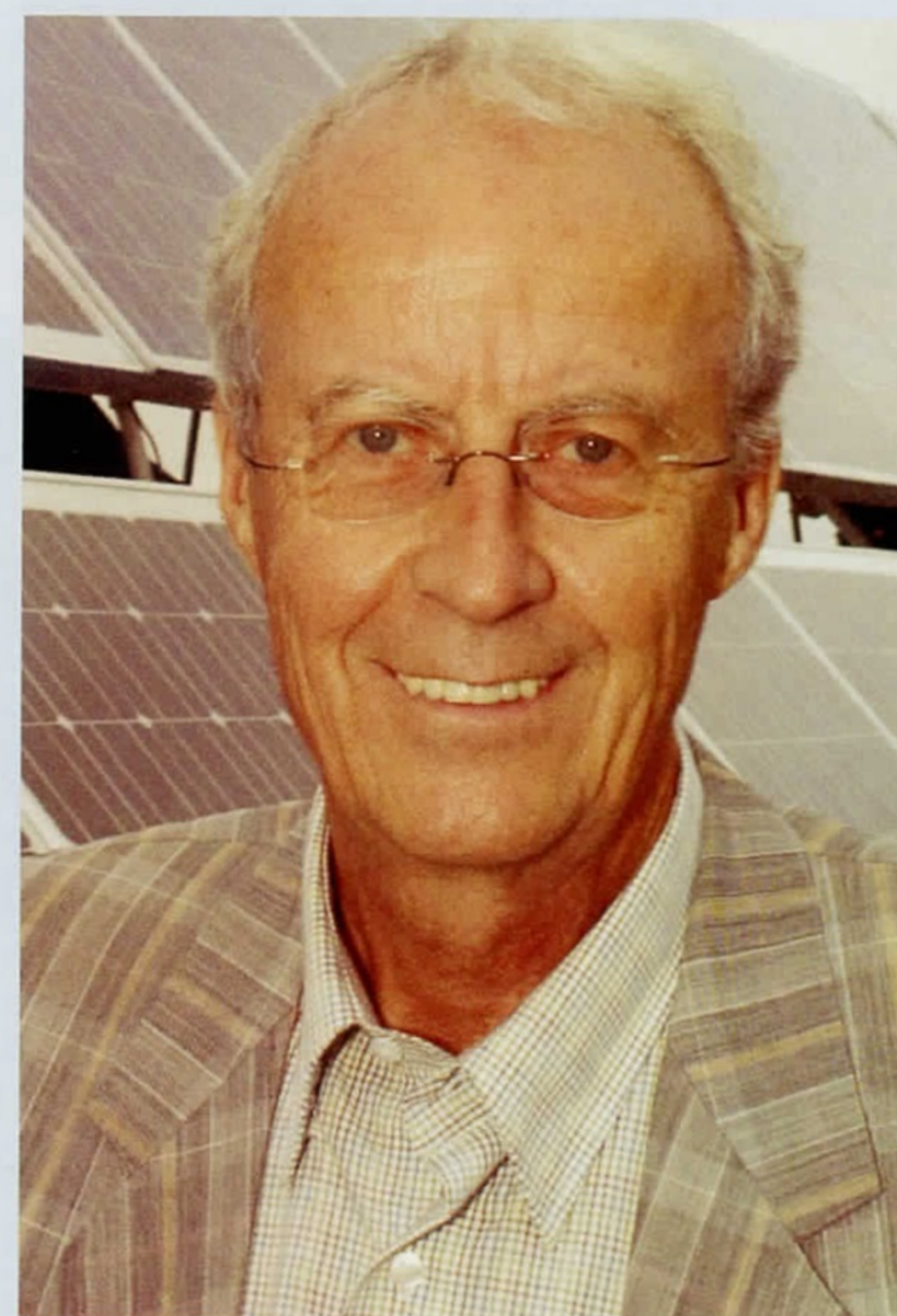
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You know that old saying, 'Be careful what you wish for, because you might just get it'? It's been tripping through my head ever since I learned that Alumni Relations would be added to my portfolio. When I recently mused aloud that I felt ready for some new challenges, I should have known that the universe was listening. I'm quickly finding just how much fun it can be, and the unique prospects it offers. The first of these was the opportunity to attend a Summer Institute for Newcomers to Advancement, held in August at McMaster University.

On the first day, at the first meal, I met an SLC alumnus! On many previous occasions I've been pleasantly surprised to run into our alumni in a myriad of circumstances, but this occasion was clearly serendipity. Turns out that John Hazelwood, (Computer Engineering Technology, 2003), now works in the Advancement Department of Mohawk College. It was delightful to share a meal and hear about John's meandering path since he left SLC. Having graduated in the year of our most intensive building and retro-fitting since the initial construction of the College back in 1967, John reminded me that he was not around to enjoy the newly renovated facilities once the dust had settled. He'd taken the time, though, to come back for a visit to check it all out – and he'd liked what he'd seen.

That got me thinking more about the lifetime connections our alumni feel toward St. Lawrence College. Throughout the conference, I heard much about how that connection is truly at the heart of all successful alumni programs. Taking a break from the classroom ses-

sions, delegates were provided an opportunity to participate in McMaster's High Altitude Ropes Challenge, where we climbed, in harness, to the top of a 50-foot tower. It was quite remarkable what those few hours taught us about risk, challenge, setting goals and learning to trust. Seems to me those things have a lot in common with what Alumni Relations is all about, for both alumni and the institution.

Looking forward to the next decade, what is it that you, our alumni, want from your continued association with St. Lawrence? We can make some assumptions. Perks are always good – discounts, services and affinity programs are well received, based on participation rates. A recent survey tells us you're also very interested in lifelong learning – keeping educationally current and ready to take advantage of the next opportunity that comes along. And we know you want to stay up to date, getting the latest on career and personal moves – arrivals, departures and changes – in the lives of other alumni, faculty and staff and of St. Lawrence College itself. But hey, what do we know? Please consider dropping us a line at any time to tell us what you want – alumni@sl.on.ca.

I trust that this, the first edition of *Voyageur* that I've had the pleasure of compiling, will hold much of interest to you. It's my hope that the photos of orientation and residence move-in day will take you back to those feelings of excitement and anticipation (and ok – maybe a little fear) that made your first day at SLC a memorable one. When you turn to the staff and student Echoes sections, I want you to dive in and get

Editorial...

Looking for a former classmate?

Check out our online alumni directory at www.sl.on.ca/alumni/alumniontheweb.htm. If your name is not currently in the directory, send us an alumni record update and check the box that gives us permission to add your name to our web list.

caught up on the never-ending "people changes" flowing through our lives. Perhaps the final installment of our 'Reader's History' series will take you back to "the good old days". Need inspiration? Check out the Alumni Profiles honouring the outstanding citizens whose work we acknowledged this year with an Honorary Diploma, or read about where some of our international students wound up after graduation (It wasn't back home).

I've already learned that the best part of Alumni Relations is hearing your stories. The future of St. Lawrence College will be a reflection of what our alumni accomplish in the world when you leave the classroom behind. We know you'll do great things. While you're out there living your dreams, remember to drop us a line and tell us how it's all going – we can't wait to hear from you.

I do hope you'll find this issue lives up to the high standards of previous years. For our newest alumni, the Class of 2006, I hope we begin a new chapter in your relationship with St. Lawrence College on the right foot. I look forward to receiving your feedback!

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Gordon MacDougall



Gordon C. MacDougall
Vice President – Student Services,
CIO & Registrar

The career path from nursing professional/faculty member to vice president of a large information technology department may appear to some to be an unusual one, but not to Gordon MacDougall.

by Maris MacLellan

While engaged in the workforce in Brockville, Gord's decision to return to school in 1981 seemed to be a large step, and he credits the teaching staff at St. Lawrence College in Brockville for encouraging him to pursue a career in Nursing. He strongly believes in the college being the "community's college" and is convinced that if St. Lawrence had not had a campus in Brockville, things might have turned out significantly different for him. "My experience at St. Lawrence College gave me a huge amount of self-confidence. I didn't limit myself, and I wasn't afraid to go further," says Gord. "The College gave me the foundation that provided the opportunity to do any number of things." The positive experience at St. Lawrence encouraged him to continue on to the University of Western Ontario, in London, working towards a BScN degree.

While earning his BScN, Gord's work experience included psychiatry, emergency nursing, intensive care, and working as a nursing supervisor for the corporation of the City of London. He

returned to the Brockville Campus of St. Lawrence College in 1987, to take on the position of Nursing Professor. Gord's interest in computers began shortly after he began his employment at the college, when he was introduced to the concept of "Script". He had never turned on a computer before, but there was no turning back for Gord. "I was hooked on computers," he comments. He credits Terry Burgess and Marie Obress, two current employees of Education & Information Technologies, with introducing him to a PC.

In 1993, Gord assumed the position of Director of the newly created Learning Centre at Kingston Campus, a role that was expanded in 1994 to include the Brockville and Cornwall Campuses, under the name of "Educational Technologies." He became Vice President of Education & Information Technologies in 1995, and Vice President, Business Development and Technologies in 1998, when his portfolio was expanded to include responsibility for development and delivery of non-funded education and customized corporate training services. This was in addition to his continued responsibility

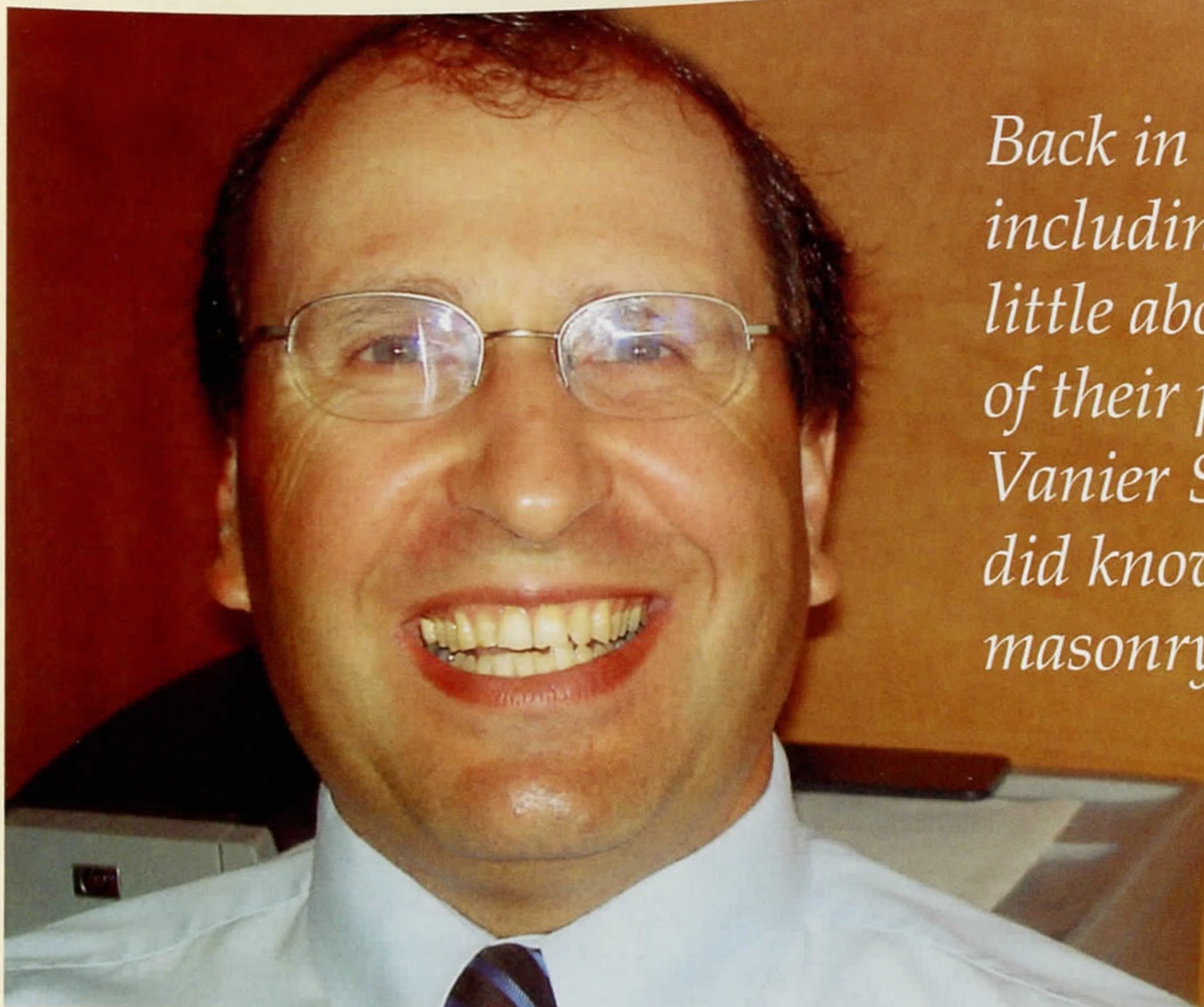
for strategic and operational planning and management of the college's education, information and telecommunications services. Gord's present position of Vice President – Student Services, CIO & Registrar, includes the role of Registrar, added in 2004 and more recently – Student Services, in 2006.

As a member of the college's Executive Committee, Gord participates as a senior staff member on the college's Board of Governors. He serves as a governor on the Patient Care & Quality Assurance Committee for the Board of Governors of the Kingston General Hospital and has been on the Board of Directors of the Kingston Technology Council since 1999. He is presently serving his 3rd year as the Council's chair. He is also the current Eastern Region Vice-Chair of the Committee of Registrars, and was a key organizer of the Eastern Region Fall conference held in Kingston in 2005. He has been an invited speaker and presenter at many conferences and workshops over the past decade.

Over the years Gord has received recognition and numerous awards for
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Joe Spagnolo



Back in 1983, mainstream society, including Joe Spagnolo, knew very little about computers or the magnitude of their potential, but the General Vanier Secondary School graduate did know one thing for certain - that masonry was probably not his calling.

By Roxanne Delage

In 1987, computers were just starting to make their way into homes; there was a buzz that something was happening. Computers seemed to be the “thing” to get into.

Joe took a chance and enrolled in the fledgling Micro Computer Engineering Technology program at St. Lawrence College’s Cornwall campus. “He had a knack for it; it came easily to him,” says his former software development professor Gordon MacKay, now coordinator of the Computer Engineering Department. MacKay says that although Joe had no knowledge of computers at first, he learned quickly, and was considered an “excellent student, a whiz kid.” “He took the skills he’d learned at St. Lawrence College and ran with them in a very unique direction,” says MacKay, who is still in touch with his former student.

After graduation in 1987, Joe began work developing software for federal government clients at Software Kinetics Ltd. in Ottawa,

where he had completed his internship while at college. The software development house exposed him to the technologies that drove the Internet at a time when nobody really knew anything about it, or about the unimaginable potential of interconnecting millions of computers all over the globe.

In 1992, with two other colleagues, Joe co-founded NRNS Incorporated, which he still runs today. Described as an information technology solutions company that focuses on network infrastructure and information security, their client base is the federal government, with National Defence and the RCMP as their biggest single clients. Joe is very satisfied with the direction and success of his business and especially its multi-faceted nature, which keeps him current and challenged — a priority for him. Of course, there is a down side, such as dealing with the tangles of governmental red tape, the long hours, and the liability of working for yourself — “the buck stops here,” he says. But Joe remains motivated by these challenges as well. As both a manager and a consultant, he juggles the responsibilities that this presents.

A major accomplishment for Joe in his career so far, and validation for his hard work have been the two papers (“Practical Protection for Public Servers” and “Dynamic Virtual Private Networks for Coalitions”) that he wrote and co-wrote respectively, and that were chosen for presentation at the NATO Information Systems Technology (IST) symposiums in France and Italy. He credits St. Lawrence College and work experience at Software Kinetics with his success. Joe believes that although good technical skills are necessary, strong communication skills are equally as important — something that he admits he did not fully appreciate earlier in his career.

A great inspiration and model for Joe has been a Professor from London England he has dealt with as part of his international work. Considered one of the “fathers of the Internet in the UK,” the Professor, who at 70 “is as sharp as a needle,” still does international work. “To be able to keep that level of relevance at his age and still be at the top of his game is really impressive,” says

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Sarah Windsor



Photo: Bob MacCallum

A few years ago Sarah Windsor felt the same way that many young adults do these days – confused and unsure about which career path to take.

By Leisa Price-Storey

"I was kind of stuck in a rut, had done dead-end jobs for a long time," Sarah admits. Then she saw an ad in the newspaper for a brand new course that was being offered at the Kingston campus of St. Lawrence College: Culinary Management Co-Op Diploma Apprenticeship.

"I'd been cooking since I was a little kid. It was always a hobby of mine. I decided that since I didn't know exactly what I wanted to do, I would take this course and see if it was the right path for me. It turns out it was!" she says confidently.

Originally from Cornwall and Ottawa, today, this busy 23-year-old Kingston resident is an Entremetier (a First Cook), at the Brown's Bay Inn on Wolfe Island, who tremendously enjoys her job and its many responsibilities.

"We're really pleased with Sarah," says the Inn's General Manager, Tammy McIntyre-MacDonald. "The skills that she brought with her have certainly made it easier for us to train her." She explains that Sarah's

understanding, knowledge and skill level of food preparation are "solid," and that she adapted very quickly from a learning environment to a commercial kitchen.

Sarah started her SLC course in September 2004 and admits that her first year was a big challenge. "I had been out of school for a couple of years, so to go back again was a little bit hard. But it was fun!" These challenges didn't stop her from achieving top honours that first year with a remarkable 4.0 G.P.A. and earning two prestigious awards as well: the Culinary Excellence Award, an academic accolade that included a \$750 bursary, and the Executive Director's Academic List Award for the highest G.P.A. in first year studies. Sarah graduated from her second year with an impressive 3.952 average.

Sarah credits a lot of her success to the dedicated faculty members who guided her through the course, stating: "These people cared so much about our personal success. They are amazing at motivating their students."

Thomas Elia, Executive Chef and Co-Ordinator of Culinary Programming for the School of Skilled Trades

and Tourism and the founding Chef of the program, was "our mentor," says Sarah. "He was hilarious, down-to-earth, really personal with every single one of his students. I've never seen a teacher like that. Not just him – his entire staff was like that!" she adds.

"We're very proud of her success," comments Thomas. "Sarah was an exceptionally good student and it's very gratifying for us to see a student move into a successful position. That's what we're here for," he adds with a smile.

Sarah says that the Kingston campus has "amazing" kitchen facilities and she enjoyed the practical lab. "Every meal that we made we got to eat!"

A portion of the course includes placement for paid apprenticeship. Sarah apprenticed at Briar's Resort on Lake Simcoe at Jackson's Point near Toronto from May to October 2005. "They taught me a lot. I learned large menu planning," she says, noting that the staff accommodations during her apprenticeship – over a dozen people

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St. Lawrence College President is on the Move

By Andr  a Cole

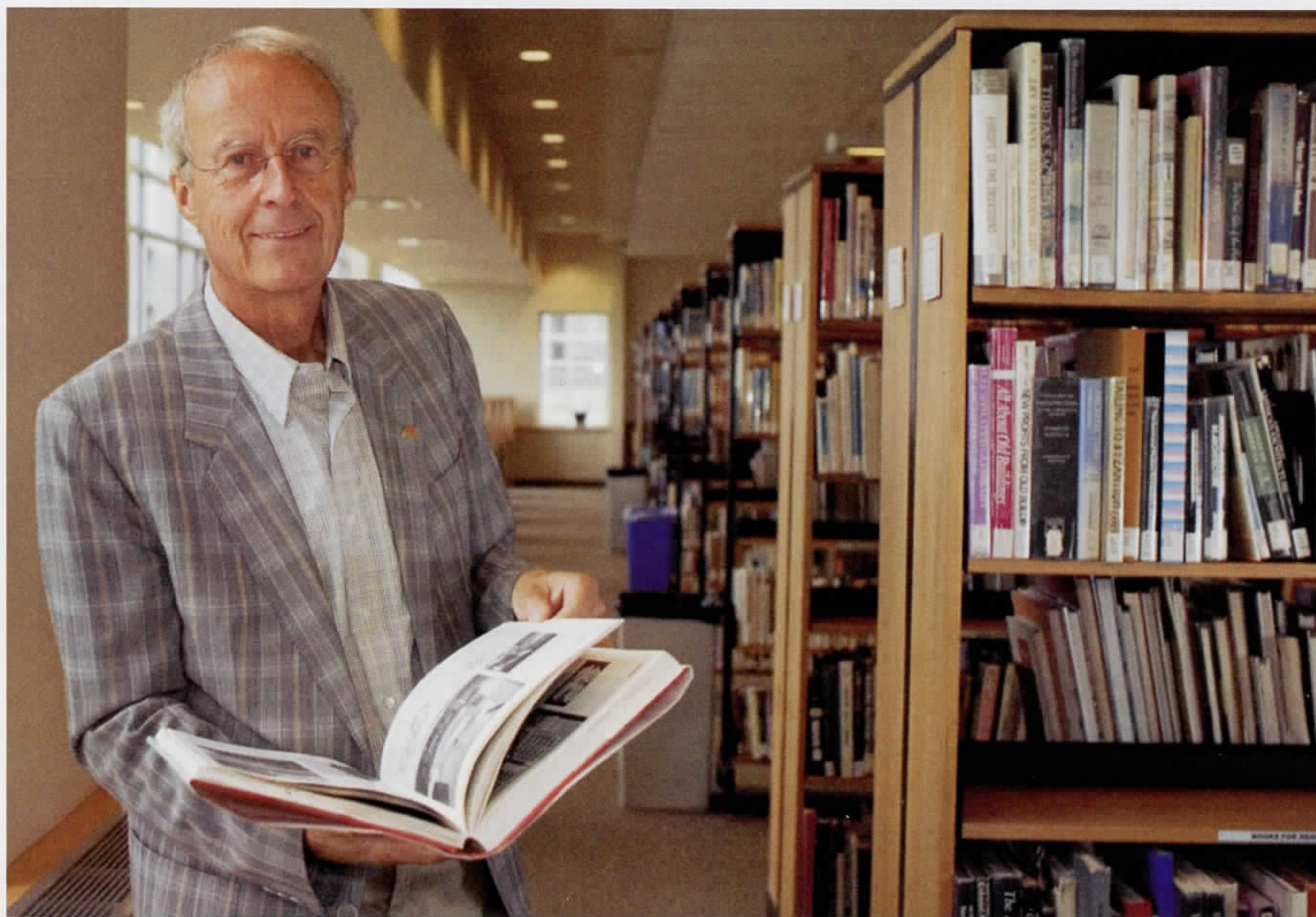
"To lead is to serve," says Volker Thomsen, President & CEO of St. Lawrence College.

Service to St. Lawrence College, its students, and communities, the province, and the country has been at the forefront of all of Volker Thomsen's efforts.

Mr. Thomsen envisions the world as a global community, interdependent in every way. His passion for the development of human prosperity is fundamental to everything he does. He believes that every child must have the opportunity to achieve success, starting at the kindergarten level.

Mr. Thomsen's leadership has helped to secure the cooperation and collaboration of the school boards, other college presidents and the Ministries of Education and Training, Colleges and Universities in ensuring educational access to age 18 and beyond for every young adult in Ontario.

World leaders in sustainable energy from five continents recently gathered on the Kingston Campus to establish the World Wind Energy Institute, co-initiated by Mr. Thomsen. The Institute's mandate will include the development of a world exchange for students to further their education in the many fields of sustainable energy, including wind energy, international collaboration on technology transfer, and



research on renewable energy, conservation and efficiency.

Mr. Thomsen is also a relentless advocate for apprentices and apprenticeship training. With his help, the provincial government has increased the support of apprenticeship training significantly. Perhaps as importantly, Mr. Thomsen has influenced basic apprenticeship training to enable colleges to run diploma programs that provide simultaneous apprenticeship and diploma accreditation.

Highly successful leaders never lose sight of their goals. Mr. Thomsen's passion is demonstrated in his book, *Canada, Enroute to Prosperity*, authored and published during his tenure at St. Lawrence College. This book has challenged, provoked and inspired many of the country's leaders. Mr. Thomsen's philosophy on educational reform for the province and country, which is outlined in his book, helped to inform and stimulate many discussions

during the recent Rae Review of postsecondary education. Mr. Rae's report has been highly acclaimed by many of the country's educational leaders and has led to a \$6.2 billion increase in education spending by the Ontario provincial government.

As in life, there are many twists and turns in the pathway of innovation. As Mr. Thomsen

prepares to take on new challenges that have captured his imagination, he will leave his formal position as President and CEO of St. Lawrence College effective July 31st, 2007.

As a lifelong advocate of St. Lawrence College, Mr. Thomsen will continue his role with the World Wind Energy Institute and in the field of renewable energy, as well as pursue his passion for continued educational reform and support for the development of a robust apprenticeship system.

"Volker Thomsen has provided stellar, visionary leadership during his six years as President of St. Lawrence College! Under Volker's stewardship, the College has increased enrolment and program offerings at each of our three main campuses despite funding barriers. The secret of his success has been his ability to bring people together, through local and international partnerships, to support the delivery of accessible, educational opportunities for

students in Brockville, Cornwall, and Kingston. Eastern Ontario is indebted to Volker and his staff for propelling St. Lawrence College into the top performing college in the province." says Don Fairweather, Executive Superintendent of Education, Upper Canada District School Board, and Chair of the St. Lawrence College Board of Governors.

During Volker Thomsen's leadership, St. Lawrence has created many new programs that benefit the campuses' students, employers and communities. Nurturing the development of a highly skilled workforce for the province of Ontario and increasing access for students to education have been at the forefront of growth within the College. Degree programs in Nursing and Behavioral Psychology have been created, and a new Business degree will be launched in the fall of 2007. New diploma programs, just to name a few, have created broad new opportunities for students in Energy Systems Engineering, Carpentry, Digital Arts for Musicians, Environmental Technician, Music-Theatre Performance, and Autism and Behavioral Psychology. Under the new apprenticeship co-op diploma format, students also have the exciting opportunity to pursue careers in the fields of motive power (automotive), and culinary management, and as millwrights and electricians.

With campuses in Brockville, Cornwall and Kingston, with 5,000 full-time students, over 20,000 part-time and continuing education registrants, 3,000 Job Connect participants, 1000 apprentices, and more than 1,000 full-time and part-time employees, St. Lawrence College has no shortage of fascinating challenges each and every day for its leaders in their service to the college.

The Board of Governors will now commence a search for a new President and CEO for St. Lawrence College, who will take the helm August 1st, 2007.

"My time at St. Lawrence College has been and still is one of the most fulfilling and rewarding of my entire life," says Thomsen, "I have been fortunate to have a brilliant and reliable team of colleagues, a very high calibre Board of Governors and the support of local, provincial, and federal business and political leaders. Together we have moved St. Lawrence College out of a depressed phase into a dynamic period of innovation and leadership. Before my departure in July 2007 (after seven exciting years), we have many more tasks to complete. I am looking forward to my continuing roles in the varied areas of the World Wind Energy Institute, renewable energy, apprenticeships, and supporting St. Lawrence College, together with our school boards, on an innovative strategy that will enable every student to become a successful member of our society and also to develop and propose government policies in all these areas."

Thomsen is already at the beginning of yet another ambitious task, which he speaks of with his characteristic infectious enthusiasm. "I have just delivered a paper on '*Integrating Solar Energy Systems into the Home: Affordable Energy Self-Sufficiency and Year Round in House Food Production for the Average Canadian Family*' (see www.volkerthomsen.com) for the Solar Energy Society of Canada at their 2006 Conference at Concordia University in Montreal," he says. But of course I believe in showing the way...the house I'm building is my own!"



College Appoints New Acting Dean

Dr. Bob Tester has been appointed to the position of Acting Dean, School of Business, effective July 31st, 2006. Bob has been with the college since 1999, serving as Coordinator and Professor in the Civil Engineering Technology program on the Kingston Campus. Prior to joining St. Lawrence, Bob was President and Director of Concord Engineering and previously served as Project Engineer with several other firms. Bob is a professional engineer, having graduated from McMaster University; he received his Ph.D. in Civil Engineering from Queen's. During his one-year appointment as Acting Dean, Bob will provide academic leadership to the School of Business, supporting the development of several key initiatives and ensuring the continued success of Business programs in Kingston. His experience and background as a faculty member will ensure a continued focus on learning and student success.

Coming Soon: Diploma Opportunity in the Fine Arts in Brockville

Building on the popularity of the Fine Arts Certificate offerings on the Brockville Campus, development is underway for a Fine Arts Diploma program. The plan is to offer the diploma

both as full time and as continuing education options starting in September 2007. The initial response to the program needs assessment has been very positive. So if you have been wait-

ing for the opportunity to hone that artistic talent, keep an eye on our website for details of this exciting new program.

Global Citizens – St. Lawrence College's International Alumni

By Helen Chadwick

Takuro Oba graduated in 2005 from the Electronics Engineering Technician program and was successful in finding a job in Kingston with a local computer diagnostic and repair firm. After ten months, he returned to Japan to begin the process of formally emigrating to Canada.

St. Lawrence College's international alumni are increasingly deciding to stay in Canada to gain work experience and continue improving their English language skills. Citizenship and Immigration Canada allows graduates of full-time programs – other than English or French as a second language – to stay in Canada and work in their area of study for up to two years. (Some restrictions apply.)



Kena Li on graduation day - June 2006

After graduating from the Esthetician Program in July 2005, Kena Li found a position at one of Kingston's

top spas. She attributes her success to the professional training she received at St. Lawrence College. It made her stand out during her work placement, which in turn led to her full-time position. She continued to work hard and in a short time moved up in the company. Her education and work experience have given Li a new level of confidence.

"My personal skills improved a lot during my time at the College and work – especially my English," she says. She would be happy to either stay in Canada, which she finds very beautiful, or to return home to China with her new-found career.

Jun Ni, a citizen of China, successfully completed the Post-Graduate Business Administration Human Resources program in April, 2006. This one-year program has a lot of appeal to international graduates. They can come to Canada, improve their English during the academic year, and stay for another year to work in their respective field of study. Jun hasn't decided yet if she will apply for a skilled worker visa after her one year or return to China.

"Since China is booming, I believe if I go back with my overseas education, work experience, and good English language skills, I will have very good opportunities," she says.

Either way, Ni credits her St. Lawrence College education in helping her get her current position in Vancouver as an assistant manager, where she is required to recruit and train employees in a fast-paced service industry environment. She also feels that the education helped her gain information about employment in Canada in general.

Ying Liu, who has just finished the Practical Nurse program in Cornwall, has already been offered a job in London, Ontario. Like the others, Liu praises St. Lawrence College, citing the great

teachers and the practical experience for contributing to her success. She feels that these have been the best years of her life and that Canada is a second home to her now, in addition to her native China.

The International Education Department continues its recruitment efforts worldwide, currently focusing on China, India, Japan, Mexico, the Caribbean and Latin America. With a goal to increase the number of international students to 5% of the student body, approximately 250 students, Barry Keefe, Director of Recruitment and International Education is kept busy.

"We are grateful that the Board of Governors remains committed to our goals and sees the necessity of international education – both inbound and outbound – in this day and age," Keefe says.

As well as recruiting, Keefe is simultaneously charged with creating partnerships that will enable Canadian students to complete a semester or a year of their studies overseas. Currently, a St. Lawrence business graduate for example, can continue his or her studies in Australia, completing a bachelor's degree program in as little as 18 months.

Choosing to move far away from home to study and pursue dreams is a big decision for all young people. To move to the other side of the world takes courage and an adventurous spirit.

It is a credit St. Lawrence College that their international alumni feel so positive about their experience in their adopted country that they choose to remain after graduation. By working in Canada, they will continue to learn about our culture and become the global citizens needed to forge international diplomatic and trade relations in the future.



Ambassador Licona
and Campus Executive Director Pat Finucan

Guatemalan Ambassador visits Cornwall campus

On Wednesday, August 23rd, H. E. Carlos Jiménez Licona, Ambassador of Guatemala to Canada, visited our Cornwall campus.

Ambassador Licona toured the campus and the St. Lawrence River Institute of Environmental Sciences. Intended primarily to forge closer ties between SLC and the Universidad del Valle de Guatemala in Guatemala City, the visit provided Pat Finucan with the opportunity to highlight our partnerships with the River Institute and Laurentian University and to share information on our Computer Engineering, Environmental Technician and Tourism Management-Eco-Adventure programs.

Following the tour, Finucan hosted a luncheon, where MPP Jim Brownell and MP Guy Lauzon were in attendance, as well as representatives from the offices of the Mayor and Cornwall & Seaway Valley Tourism.

"We felt privileged that the Ambassador would visit us. We're very committed to recruiting more international students, as well as providing opportunities for local students to study abroad. His support for our activities is most welcome," said Finucan. The campus currently has 24 international students, coming mainly from China.

St. Lawrence College and Brown's Fine Food Services Celebrate new Partnership

By Laurel Harrison

Following an extensive public tender process, Brown's Fine Food Services was once again selected as St Lawrence College's food service provider.

This renewal is particularly gratifying for Brown's; as a regional business they recognize that St Lawrence is the 'Community's College'. It's also the alma mater of many Brown's employees and the future for many of their team members' children. The SLC/Brown's partnership now extends more than fifteen years and has been a truly rewarding one for both parties. We are celebrating with many exciting facility renovations and menu innovations in the dining facilities on each campus.

Some highlights

It's on the House!

Who says there is no such thing as a "free lunch"? It's no joke, lunch is on us....Brown's has loaded up each new full-time student card with a \$5.00 introductory gift. Use it at any campus food outlet and enjoy cashless convenience.



Brown's has teamed up with The Pita Pit on all three campuses. The Pita Pit is a great fit for SLC. A fantastic Canadian franchise with its roots in Kingston, The Pita Pit offers great variety, quality, and lots of nutritious food choices.

Cornwall & Brockville

The Garden Street Café concept has been introduced at the Brockville and Cornwall campuses where students and staff can enjoy fabulous food and a refreshing atmosphere.

The Garden Street Café is all about fresh - fresh ideas, fresh ingredients, and freshly prepared food, celebrating healthy choices, the goodness of whole grains, fresh fruits and vegetables, and quality ingredients.



Kingston Campus

Tim Hortons

Yes, the rumours are true! Tim Horton's has finally arrived at SLC. Brown's is now serving up Tim's world-famous coffee and their complete line of delicious hot and cold beverages and scrumptious pastries on the Kingston campus.

Da Vinci's, a new display cooking kiosk, has been added to the Kingston Food Court, showcasing funky pasta creations, featuring an array of delicious sauces, noodles and wonderful extras.

Commitment

SLC and Brown's have a shared vision and commitment to success - for our students and the communities we both serve. We look forward to an exciting future working together to achieve it.

Expanding Opportunities At Work

by Lorraine Carter

Hammers were ringing in the halls of Brockville Campus again this summer. The Musical Theatre program's facilities have been enhanced with the addition of a second dance studio and a second drama room, as well as new student change rooms — all conveniently located in the same area on the second floor, giving new meaning to "Step 1-2-3".

These renovations displaced the previous health sciences lab, which in turn moved to its bigger and better location across from the gym. The new health sciences complex will include a special area for the growing family of 'simulator' patients — complete with room for all the high-tech equipment that keeps these Jetson-era learning tools doing their magic. This new lab offers enhanced opportunities to the existing Personal Support Worker and Registered Practical Nurse programs, as well as providing the necessary resources to support the new Bachelor of Science in Nursing program, which is entering its second year of delivery.

The space previously occupied by the Motluk's restaurant facility has been converted into a dedicated lab for the highly successful Pre-Service Firefighter program. Complete with scaled-down kitchen, equipment storage and a place to practice specialized skills with ropes and hoses, the new 'Fire House' offers a significant enhancement to the delivery of this program.

All of these renovations owe their existence to the monies raised in the local community through SLC's *Expanding Opportunities* campaign. The students and staff of the campus applaud the fabulous people whose generous donations made such a huge difference to the life of the campus and its students. If you're in the neighbourhood, do stop in — we'd love to give you a tour around our 'new digs.'



Able Sail Kingston coup!

On July 29th & 30th in Montreal, the local Able Sail group, described as a small but mighty fleet, competed at the Coupe de Quebec 2006. One of the competitors was St. Lawrence College faculty member Elizabeth Woudsma. In her first competition at this level and having only recently overcome harrowing challenges, Elizabeth put on a stellar performance, placing **FIRST in the Silver Fleet**. In this competition she faced many other novice sailors from much larger sailing clubs.

Able Sail Kingston is a member of

a network of more than 20 sailing clubs across Canada offering recreational and competitive sailing instruction for persons with a disability. The volunteer committee of Able Sail Kingston provides accessible sailing programs locally through the Kingston Yacht Club. For more information on the program and volunteer opportunities, visit their website at

www.kingstonyachtclub.com/ablesail

Congratulations to all the Able Sail Kingston competitors and especially Elizabeth, from your SLC fans!

Attention all Veterinary Technology Graduates from 1997

Plans are being made for a 10-year reunion celebration in June 2007. You should have received a letter from the alumni office via e-mail recently with some details. If you didn't, it's because we don't have your current e-mail address, so please contact us and update your record.



For more information on the reunion, contact organizers

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Fall Season Performances from SLC's Musical Theatre Program

by Chris Coyea & Wayne Dailey

The first production of the season featuring our third-year music theatre students will be *Ten Lost Years*. Based on the book by Barry Broadfoot, this musical is about the memories of Canadians who lived during the 1930s depression. The production includes songs by *Road To Avonlea* star Cedric Smith in collaboration with Terry Jones of the band Perth County Conspiracy, as well as familiar standards of the period. It is described as a folk opera. "I think *Ten Lost Years* is an important piece of Canadian theatre," Cedric commented. "It incorporates a cross-the-country vision."

This is history told in the first person, at times heartbreaking and dramatic, while also highlighting the

strength of Canadians who endured that difficult decade. *Ten Lost Years* will play in Brockville at the Arts Centre on October 27th and 28th and in Cornwall at the Aultsville Theatre on November 2nd and 3rd.

The St. Lawrence College Music Theatre Performance Program is proud to present Disney's first musical, *Beauty and the Beast*. Our very talented second- and third-year students will bring to life this beloved "tale as old as time" with a burst of theatrical magic.

Already a legend as the sixth-longest-running show in Broadway history, *Beauty and the Beast* was nominated for nine 1994 Tony® Awards including Best Musical. This eye-popping spectacle has been wowing audiences worldwide.

We are thrilled to offer an original production of this musical extravaganza, filled with technical wizardry, special effects and illusions, as well as dazzling production numbers and memorable songs. Brockville and Cornwall audiences will be amazed with our originally designed sets and costumes, and, as with all of our S.L.C. stage productions, *Beauty and the Beast* will feature a live orchestra.

Performances are December 1-3 in Cornwall at the Aultsville Theatre and, December 7-10 at the Brockville Arts Centre. Be our guest and bring someone you love to experience the enchantment of an unforgettable performance of this spectacular Broadway musical!



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"Triple Play" High School Students Start College Early

By Cam McEachern

This past winter term, fourteen high school students from Limestone District and Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School Boards completed a "Triple Play" at St. Lawrence College. The students enrolled in a college course, also completing a high school co-op course with work experience.

"Triple Play" was one of several provincially funded initiatives piloting ways for high school students to champion a better learning and career path. The triple play is: college/school/work. In this case, high school co-op students enrolled in a college course during their co-op period and performed their workplace portion of the co-op on days when the college course did not run. They earned full course credits at high school and college for this combined activity.

A regional team was involved in the project, including Pat Garrod, Superintendent for Secondary Curriculum at the Limestone District School Board; Mike Lattner, Special Assignment Teacher with the Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School Board; and Cam McEachern, Manager, Academic and Research Services at St. Lawrence College. All partners had to work quickly to get the pilot program launched. Garrod and Lattner turned to their high school co-op teachers who then invited co-op students to sign up. McEachern worked with Kingston campus deans and faculty to line up college courses that best suited the high school



Kingston Triple-Players returned to the college in May for a wrap-up evaluation session

students and their timetables. Once underway, Vincent Durant, Coordinator of St. Lawrence Accounting programs, took over the project management as part of his special secondment to the Vice President Academic's office. Terry Spence, Secretary in the office of the Vice President and Campus Director, supplied essential administrative support throughout the project, arranging for student registrations, textbooks, bus tickets, and two special events to start and end the project.

A December Orientation Session brought together college instructors, high school co-op teachers, administrators, parents, and the Triple Play students for an opportunity to meet one another.

"The opportunity to give students an early taste of college-life while finishing their high school careers will definitely help them succeed," said Chris Whitaker, college Vice President Academic and Executive Director, Kingston Campus. "Students who are more informed about their career choices are more successful wherever their paths lead them."

By project's end, 14 students completed their college courses very well: one Triple Play student was top in her college class! A May wrap-up session brought teachers, students, and parents together again to evaluate the experience. All the students were very pleased. "I have learned how to organize my time and also what to expect when I go to college," said one Triple

Play graduate, while all the others nodded in agreement. Several students reported improved confidence and determination for a selected program and career choice. One said: "The most important thing I have learned by participating in this program is that I want to go to school next year! I applied and got in!" One parent was especially impressed: "My daughter wasn't doing her best, was pretty unhappy, she sure didn't know what she wanted to do...I was really getting concerned last fall. Her Triple Play course matched her work placement really well...in our family business! She started coming home just so positive and recently decided she would enroll in college to get her business diploma. She knows what she wants to do now, and she is so much happier. This opportunity was such a fortunate thing."

While these students start college this September with an advance course credit under their belt, more high school students will be learning about Triple Play and other forthcoming pilots through which they can encounter college better, sooner. Thanks to this year's success, an expanded version of Triple Play will run this coming winter, 2007, at all three St. Lawrence campuses in cooperation with their local school district boards. Perhaps the last word belongs to another Triple Play student who formerly had no college ambitions: "It doesn't matter how old you are, you can always continue your education."

Distance Education Online

by Lynn Walker

St. Lawrence College is a member of the OntarioLearn Consortium, which consists of 22 Ontario community colleges that have partnered to develop and deliver online courses. From the beginning, OntarioLearn has maintained a focus on delivering the highest quality distance education to part-time learners. From its inception in 1995 with just a handful of Colleges, the program has grown to now involve 22 colleges, delivering 750 unique courses to more than 30,000 learners.

Through this virtual classroom environment, students can pursue their educational goals—whether the completion of a single course or the fulfillment of a college certificate or diploma. Students can take courses from their home or office, accessing their course at their convenience. Learning is facilitated by an instructor who is available to answer questions, encourage discussion on course topics, and provide feedback. Course instructors and fellow classmates may live anywhere in Canada, or the U.S., or somewhere else in the world.

Online learning is a form of independent study for those who cannot attend on-campus classes on a regular basis. This flexibility allows them to complete a course or program at a time and place of their own choosing.

St. Lawrence offers on-line courses in business, communications, computer studies, health sciences, justice, social sciences, technology & trades, general education, hospitality, mathematics, psychosocial rehabilitation, recreation, and more.

For more information on the approximately 450 online courses that St. Lawrence offers please visit our web site at:

<http://www.sl.on.ca/parttime/OL.htm>.

St. Lawrence College and the Frontenac CFDC Win Award for the 'Employment Readiness in Construction Trades' Program

by Kelly Wiley

The 'Employment Readiness in Construction Trades project', a joint initiative of St. Lawrence College and The Frontenac Community Futures Development Corporation, has received the 2006 'Youth Initiative Award', presented by the Ontario Association of Commu-

writing and other related training in employment-readiness skills.

The goal of the course was to provide participants with skills that would enable them to find employment in the construction industry within the County of Frontenac. The course was



Students from our award-winning 'Employment Readiness in Construction Trades' project gather outside their classroom with Training Consultant Bob MacCallum (top row, far right).

nity Futures Development Corporation (OACFDC). The Award was presented by Anne Prichard, Executive Director, Frontenac CFDC, to Wanda Williams, Director, Student Services and Continuing Education, Kingston Campus, at the annual OACFDC conference in Cornwall.

Employment Readiness in Construction Trades was a new venture this year, undertaken by the Frontenac CFDC and St. Lawrence College, in partnership with Northern Connections, Sharbot Lake High School, and Frontenac Telephone Company. The Kingston Construction Association and the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities Apprentice Client Services also assisted. Training consultant Bob MacCallum from St. Lawrence pulled the initiative together by creating an eight-week training course to introduce participants to the construction trades and to prepare them for entry-level positions in the field. Its main focus featured hands-on carpentry experiences, but it also covered trade theory and safety as well as résumé

designed so its graduates would qualify to start the challenging three-year provincial apprenticeship training program that leads to the qualification of Certified General Carpenter or other apprenticeship trades. And it succeeded. A local construction company accepted and employed two of the graduates as carpenter apprentices. Five others found employment in the construction field and another two graduates found new directions and went back to school.

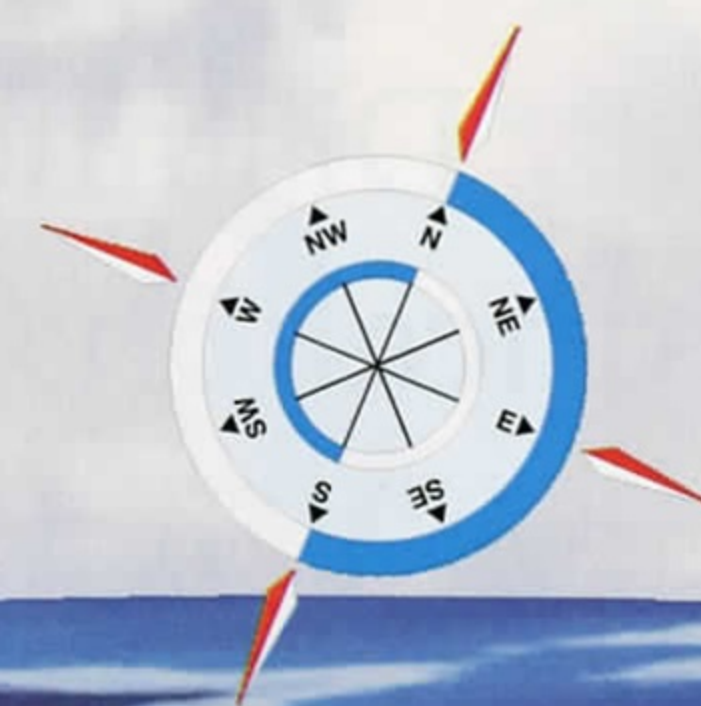
Along with the recognition, St. Lawrence College received a cheque for \$350. The award money will fund a new Continuing Education Bursary available to a part-time student working toward a certificate or diploma. Applicants must be residents of Frontenac County, including the Townships of Frontenac Islands, South Frontenac, Central Frontenac and North Frontenac. Applicants must demonstrate financial need.

For more information on the program contact the College's Centre for Training and Development on the Kingston campus.

Charting the Course

Directions from the College's Strategic Plan

By Gordon MacDougall



The College's strategic plan for 2006 – 2009 is nearing completion. Following several months of consultation with a wide variety of stakeholder and interest groups, three themes have clearly emerged, and will serve as a touchstone for strategy and action over the next few years.

St. Lawrence College has enjoyed tremendous success over the past several years. More than 24 new full-time programs have been introduced at the College, enrolment has grown by more than 1000 students, and the number of international students studying with us has increased into the hundreds. Recently built student residences at Brockville and Cornwall now offer an exciting, new student life perspective to our campuses. Our graduates continue to realize great success as they enter a job market where more than 85% are employed within six months, and we rank consistently in the top five in the province in employer satisfaction.

More than 2,500 graduates leave St. Lawrence College every year with a diploma, degree, or certificate. Another 15,000 take part in our continuing education courses and special interest offerings, year after year.

In fact, it is difficult to recall a more dynamic and exciting time at St. Lawrence College. It is also time to plan for our future, regardless of the prosperity we may enjoy. Challenges continue to confront us, government funding remains woefully inadequate, and our demographics are changing, as are the needs of our communities and our students.

It is with these realities in mind that we define our three themes — our strategic directions for ensuring student success and a prosperous future

Engaging Students!

St. Lawrence College is about access, options, and quality in programs, teaching and learning. We create opportunities and ensure student success. Over the next three years, we will take action on core strategies to better engage students from pre-college decision-making, through learning and student life, to graduation and continuing education.

We believe in an integrated approach to education, where the College has an important place in a seamless spectrum of post-secondary options. Linkages with partner school boards will provide innovative pathways to new integrated programs, as well as projects that expose young people to college and recognize them for their accomplishments.

We are committed to maintaining relevance and quality in our programming and innovation in our approaches to teaching and learning. In order to help all students succeed, we are focused on enhancing retention and supporting activities that recognize the individual needs of our students.

Connecting with our Communities!

As a college serving the region of Eastern Ontario, we are partners in the leadership of our social, economic and cultural communities. While students are central to our enterprise, we also serve business, government and residential communities. We are partners in seeking our region's success and contributing in significant ways to our prosperity, creating opportunities and leading through innovation.

Over the next year, we will continue to launch exciting ventures that address the increasingly important is-

sue of environmental sustainability and will collaborate with employers, community groups, alumni and potential partners throughout the region. Ultimately that effort will yield benefits for the entire region and position our communities as leaders in the international context.

Ready to Compete!

In a dynamic environment of rapidly changing priorities and opportunities, we also recognize that, as an organization, we must be up to the challenge. We must support and develop our talent, make optimal use of resources, and align them behind our strategies. Over the years we have demonstrated our capacity for innovation, adaptation, and flexibility — they remain as critical as ever to our success. Breaking new ground through applied research and implementing planning, process, and technology changes will all serve to create an even more responsive, forward-looking College that makes the most of its capacity.

The strategic plan detailing objectives, strategies, and success criteria will be presented to the St. Lawrence College Board of Governors this fall for further discussion and direction.

The people of St. Lawrence College, students, staff, the community, and our many partners have made our voyage so far, the success it is. The journey, of course, continues, and the new courses that are being charted will no doubt lead to new and exciting possibilities for all of us.

To find out more about the strategic plan please visit our website at www.sl.on.ca/strategy



Alumni (L-R) Shirley Maitland-Kozick, Kathie Barr-Smith and VanDenkerkhof-Leadbearer enjoy the view from the dock



Alumni Kathie Barr-Smith (L) and Marion Blackman-Kennedy



Brockville Nursing grads from 1976 gather on the patio

Brockville Nursing Class of 1976 hosts a fun-filled Reunion

The Diploma Nursing SLC Brockville Campus Class of '76 celebrated its 30-year reunion at the Cove Country Inn in Westport August 18-20th. Friendships were rekindled, old memories were revived, and new memories were created. True to the tradition forged over their past six reunions, Marion Blackman-Kennedy and Kathie Barr-Smith modeled the housecoats they once wore in the "good ole days" at Comstock Residence.

Alumni spent the weekend shopping, swimming, kayaking, paddle-boating and relaxing by the pool, sharing old stories, good food and great companionship (and maybe a beverage or two!). Classmates travelled to the reunion from as far as Edmonton and Connecticut.

The group would like to thank Cathy Ryan-Merriman and Diane Patterson-Bowen for organizing the unforgettable weekend. This tight-

knit group is looking forward to its 35th reunion in 2011, and plans are already in the works. The friendships they made during their training at SLC remain very special to them and will never be forgotten.

Thinking about organizing a reunion of your old SLC classmates?

Contact the Alumni office at x 2586. We'll help you get the ball rolling.

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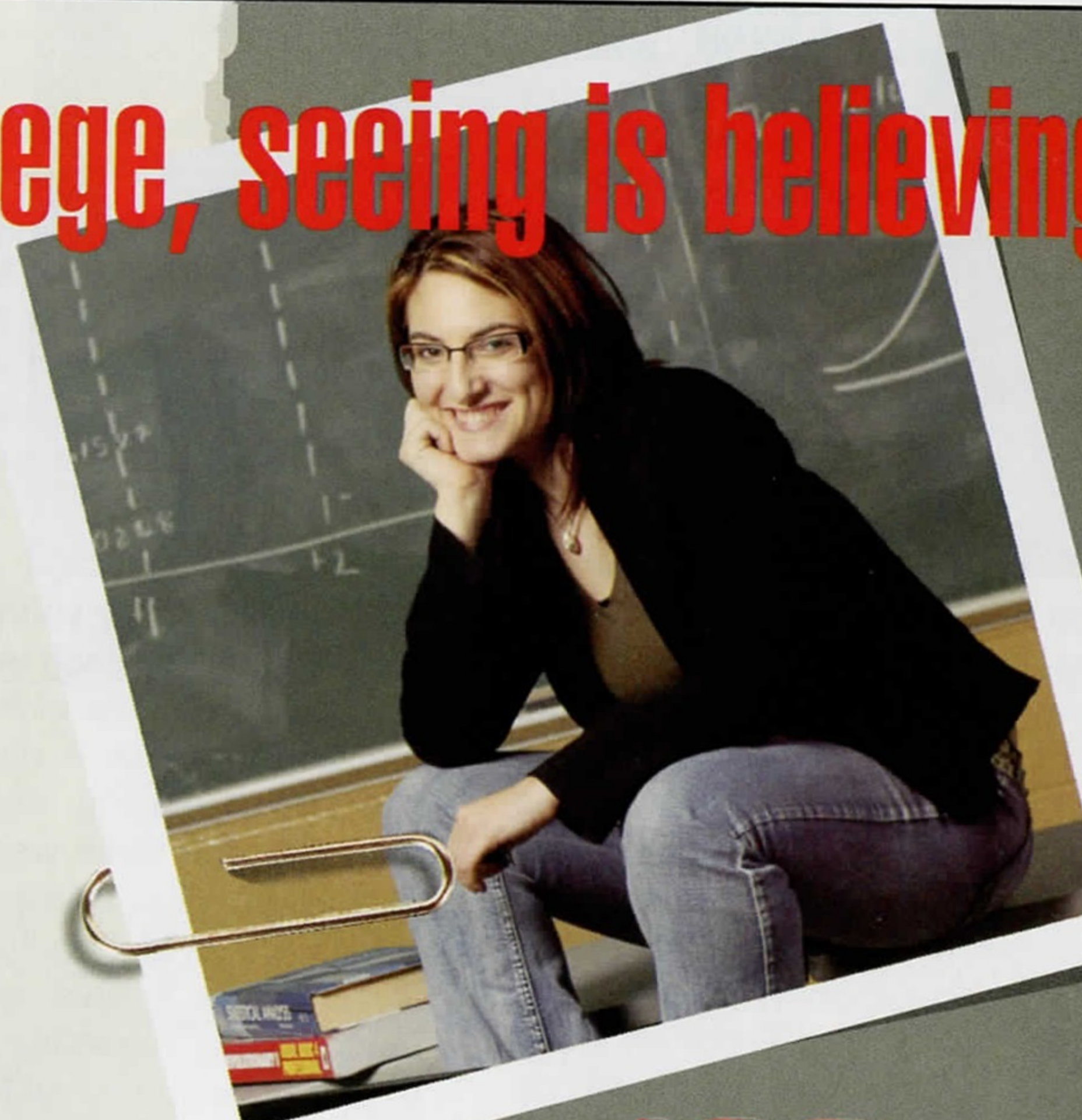
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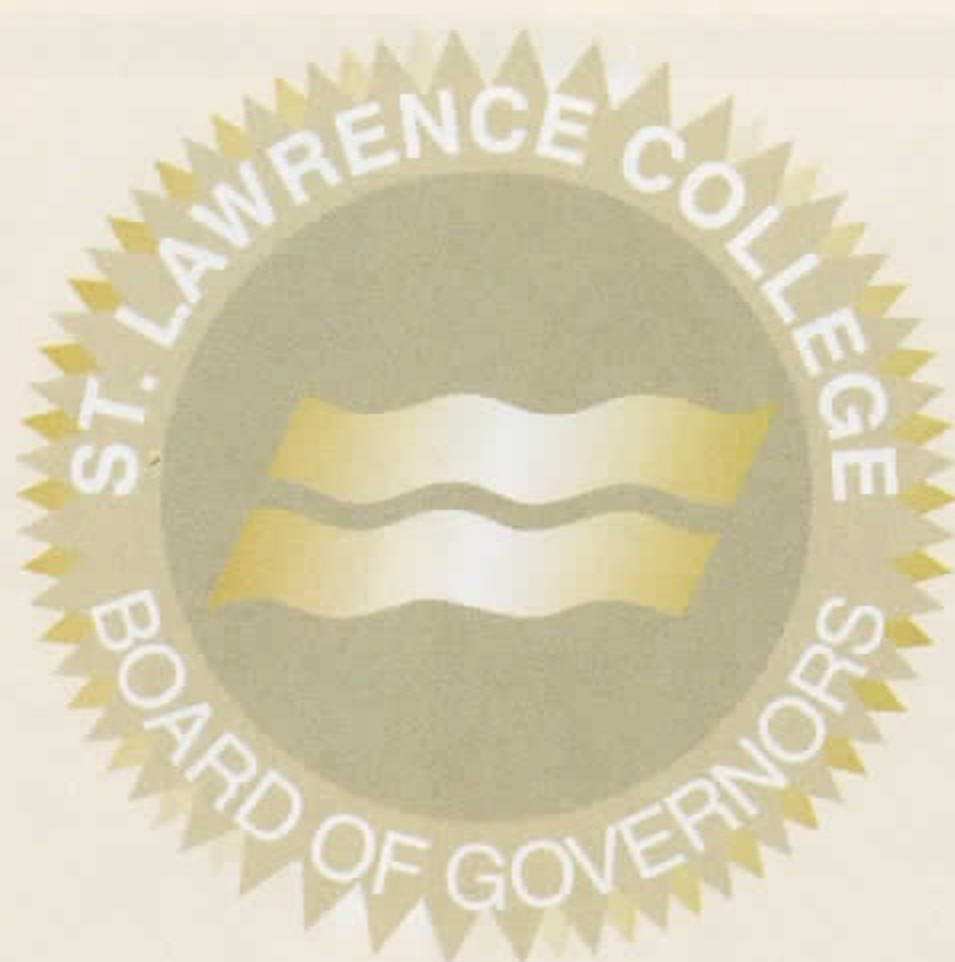
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Honourary Diploma Recipients (Spring Convocations, 2006)

By Andrea Cole

Honorary Diplomas are the highest form of recognition that the College can bestow. They are awarded to individuals or organizations whose accomplishments are of such a high degree of excellence that they can be held up as role models, serving as an inspiration to our graduates and the College community.

CORNWALL CAMPUS:



Dr. Wilfred Chung

Dr. Chung is a visionary and gifted physician who has chosen the challenging specialty of Emergency Medicine, an area in which he excels. A Fellow of the American

College of Emergency Physicians and former President of the Cornwall Academy of Medicine, Dr. Chung graduated from McMaster University and the University of Toronto, and did a mixed internship at the Ottawa Civic Hospital. In addition to his busy practice, Dr. Chung has found time to hold a number of significant leadership positions in the community, including co-chairing the Mayor's Task Force on Medical Recruitment. He has been instrumental in advancing the concept of pre-hospital care in the Cornwall area, and initiated the Advanced Paramedics program for Cornwall as well as the province-wide OPP defibrillation program. He is currently exploring opportunities for an innovative care delivery model for Cornwall.

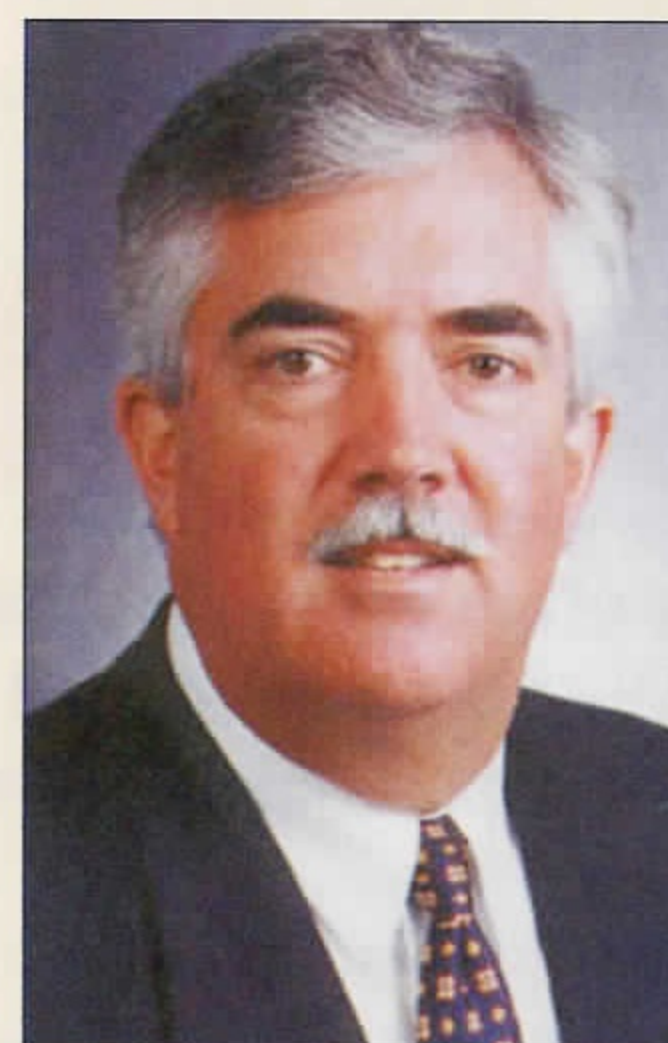


Mme. Rosemond Laberge

One of Cornwall's leading private music teachers, Mme. Laberge has been instrumental in the musical life of the community. She has literally opened

the doors for many young musicians to the stage of not only such venues as Carnegie Hall, but also some of the top symphonies around the world. A much-loved teacher, she began playing violin herself at age four—her first violin was a string tied to a door knob. She studied art at l'Ecole des Beaux Arts in Montreal and violin with professors from France and Belgium. She founded the Riverdale School of Music, whose students formed the Riverdale String Ensemble and the Riverdale Quartet and Trio. These groups were frequently asked to play for major functions at Parliament Hill, including performances for many Prime Ministers and for the Queen.

BROCKVILLE CAMPUS:



Mr. William Henry (Bill) Fraser

Bill Fraser is a well-known personality in the high technology sector both in Brockville and Ottawa. A talented businessperson, Mr. Fraser has had a varied and

interesting career in senior executive positions with Space Circuits, Ltd. and Tracon Engineering of Waterloo, as well as being the president of CompAS Electronics in Brockville, during a phase of several expansions at both the Brockville and Ogdensburg plants. A strong believer in giving back to his community, Mr. Fraser is a noted philanthropist who has championed several fundraising efforts in the health care, recreational, and economic development sectors. He's also a volunteer pilot with HOPE Air, which flies medical patients from remote areas to treatment centres.



Sister Pauline Lally
(on behalf of
the Sisters of
Providence)

"Social activist" and Sisters of Providence are two terms that may sound incongruent, but Sister Pauline Lally embodies both.

As part of the Social Justice Office of the Sisters of Providence, Sister Lally has been conducting a weekly vigil for the past 10 years outside of Kingston City Hall to heighten awareness that social programs are not costs, but rather investments in people and communities. Vigils are silent so that prayer and meditation focus on one issue. "Through silence we also convey a powerful symbolic message. We help call attention to the fact that the voices of so many people are not being heard."

Her nominator adds the following quote that Sister Lally wrote in a letter to then-Minister of Immigration, Judy Sgro: "We are a country of immigrants and refugees, and the sign of the health of our country is how we treat the most vulnerable." At the Spring 2006 Convocation ceremony, Sister Lally encouraged students to recognize both their own unique gifts, and how those gifts could be put to work in the world: "For all our human frailties, limitations, and inconsistencies, each of us does carry within us a vision and a possibility of a better society....There is a universe out there waiting just for you, and your own particular, authentic brand of trued giftedness as you live lives of right relationships. The world will be less if you don't." For more information: www.providence.ca/justice



Mr. Barry O'Connor

Barry O'Connor's ardent dedication to providing young people with opportunities and pathways to a successful future is evident in everything he does. Mr. O'Connor started

as a teacher, then principal, and has since spent eight years as the Director of Education for the former Frontenac County Board of Education and the amalgamated Limestone District School Board. He founded the Limestone Learning Foundation to help the school board go beyond the average by offering enhanced learning opportunities for students in the district. A native of Kingston, Mr. O'Connor has four degrees from Queen's University, including a Masters of Education. A tireless worker with both local and provincial organizations, Mr. O'Connor states that "public education creates a common ground of learning essential for the maintenance of democracy, human dignity, and the quality of our lives." His passion for inspiring hope in children goes well beyond the classroom; he's encouraged youth to reach beyond themselves physically, emotionally and intellectually through his long standing service in volunteer coaching of sports. A leader in the community in so many organizations, Mr. O'Connor believes that education is about the future and that students are our future. He does whatever he can to ensure that each child has the hope of a bright future, whether that means college, university, or the world of work.



The Honourable Robert Keith (Bob) Rae

The Honourable Bob Rae was Ontario's 21st Premier, and was elected eight times to federal and provincial parliaments before his

retirement in 1996. He has had an extremely significant and lasting impact on post-secondary education in Ontario, in his capacity as advisor to the Honourable Dalton McGuinty, the current Premier of Ontario. He is the author of the historic and influential report: *Ontario: A Leader in Learning — Postsecondary Review*. Mr. Rae is a partner at an international law firm, and has extensive experience in negotiation, mediation, and arbitration; he is an expert on issues of public policy. A Rhodes Scholar, who also holds Honourary degrees from three universities as well as his Honourary Diploma from St. Lawrence College, Mr. Rae is Chancellor of Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo, Ontario, and is the author of two books, *From Protest to Power* and *The Three Questions*. In the preface to *Ontario: A Leader in Learning*, Mr. Rae comments "Education is what drives us forward, inspires innovation, and creates an engaged, democratic society." Mr. Rae has urged the government to accept all the reforms he suggested together, as they are all vitally connected; "We won't get where we need to go by piecemeal tinkering. By virtue of your decision to explore this subject, you signal the pre-eminence of higher education in Ontario. Now it is time to take action."



Mr. Bill Cruden

Bill Cruden's passionate advocacy for education and the college system, as demonstrated by 22 years as President, and now President Emeritus, of St. Lawrence College, is well known. During his

time with the College, Mr. Cruden managed to find time to extend that advocacy to work for the Association of Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology of Ontario (ACAATO) as former chair, stretching his commitment to the provincial level. In addition to his much-beloved leadership, his commitment remains alive in the Alumni Relations office that he founded at SLC to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the institution. Mr. Cruden continues to advocate for college students; he is the founding VP Academic at Nova

Scotia Community College, where he now lives in Halifax. He is proud to recount that his wife and two of his four children are graduates of St. Lawrence College. Mr. Cruden has degrees in Engineering and Public Administration from Queen's University. His first love is always students; he has almost forty years experience providing postsecondary and diverse adult learning experiences for students, with a passionate commitment to helping them succeed.

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2006-2007 Annual Appeal

St. Lawrence College is all about access to opportunities, opportunities for students to realize their dreams: Dreams of a new career. Dreams of further education at university. Dreams of starting a new business. Dreams of making a difference in the lives of others.

At the St. Lawrence College Foundation, we dream, too. We dream of ensuring that financial assistance is available to all students who need it, so that the cost of attending college will never be a barrier to students pursuing their dreams.

Over the past few years, we have worked very hard on behalf of those who want to help our students realize their full potential through education and training. With the generosity of our donors and the support of a matching gift initiative sponsored by the Ontario government, we have been able to grow our Foundation's endowment fund to \$3.3 million. Interest from this fund has helped support hundreds of students with bursaries to finance their St. Lawrence College educations.

Again this year, we are asking for your support as we aim to expand the availability of financial aid for students in need at St. Lawrence College. Through our Annual Appeal, gifts in support of our endowed bursary fund will continue to be matched by the Ontario Trust for Student Support. Regardless of the amount, your gift will be doubled, and, through our endowment, this legacy of opportunities for dreamers will continue.

As Chair of the St. Lawrence College Foundation, I ask you consider the difference you can make for our students. I do hope you will join me in making your personal gift to the Annual Appeal. Your pledge of support, as always, is sincerely appreciated.

Regards,

David Beatty

Chair, The St. Lawrence College Foundation

Expanding Opportunities Campaign in Brockville Goes Over The Top

Donors, students, staff and friends of St. Lawrence gathered in Brockville on May 16th to celebrate the successful completion of the \$2.1 million Expanding Opportunities Campaign for the campus.

"Support from our community has been extraordinary," said David Beatty, Chair of the St. Lawrence College Foundation.

The outdoor event, held on the front lawns of the campus, provided an opportunity for many of the campaign's donors to see first-hand the tremendous enhancements the campaign helped make possible for the campus.

"As we stand here, we can see our new residence in the background, the landscaping efforts of our "Green Team" in the foreground, and listen to the talents of our students from the Musical Theatre Performance Program. Each of these enhancements to our campus here in Brockville make a difference," explained Lorraine Carter, Executive Director of the campus.

The campaign raised over \$2.1 million in support of a \$5.3 million campus redevelopment initiative. Other funding for the project came from the provincial government and the college.

At the campaign celebration, Beatty announced the extension of the campaign to include support for the creation of an art gallery on the campus, which would support the expansion of the campus' Creative Arts program and the Thousand Islands Summer School of the Arts. A lead contribution from the estate of former student Marianne Van Silfhout helped to kick off the project. Over the next six months, the Foundation will seek to secure an additional \$150,000 to complete the appeal.

Construction on the gallery project will begin next spring and the facility is slated to be opened in the fall of 2007.

ALUMNI ECHOES

years, then a community counselor for the Home Share Program, a total of 23 years of service with Ongwanada.

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Medical Laboratory Technology - K
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Heather is married with 4 children: Eli 20, James 11, Elizabeth 10 and Jessica 8. She has worked part-time at Groves for 5 years and was at Guelph General for 11 years before that. Heather also worked at MDS in Belleville and Red Lake Margaret Cochenour Memorial Hospital in Red Lake, Ontario.

Sponagle, Joan
Computer Programmer - B
Joan is a retiree of SLC. She is enjoying Florida in the winter and traveling in the summer.

St-Denis, Theresa
Computer Software Technician - C
t_stdenis@videotron.ca
After graduating, Theresa moved to Ottawa and spent ten years designing, developing and documenting real-time systems and database management applications. She was hired by Cognos as a software engineer and, while working on a CASE tool named PowerDesigner, she was volunteered by her manager to write the PowerDesigner user guide. The joke was on him; she liked the experience so much she switched departments. Since then she has written and delivered training courses for the education department, and she has written several user documents, including XML documents. Today her job gives her the best of both worlds. She creates and maintains perl scripts, C applications, XSLT style sheets, etc. that help the Cognos writers do their jobs. She keeps her writing skills sharp by writing course material and documentation for the writers.

1984

Chaytor, Jeffrey
Mechanical Engineering Technology - C
Marine Engineering Technology - C
Maintenance Management - B
jchaytor@cogeco.ca
Jeffrey and Shelley's son Ryan is enrolled in the Industrial Maintenance Mechanics course in Cornwall.

Krushelniski, Sandra
Animal Care Technology - K
robert.krushelniski@sympatico.ca
Sandra's oldest daughter Heather is following in her mother's footsteps, and is in her first year of Veterinary Technology at SLC

Marshall, Mary
Nursing Assistant - K
Registered Practical Nurse - Psychiatric Nursing - K
Mary is back at St. Lawrence College, currently enrolled in Health Information Management - class of 2007.

Mowatt, Michael
Electronics Eng. Technology - K
mowattmg@yahoo.ca
Michael and Sharon have recently moved to Mexico City from Seoul, Korea. They have a new son, Spencer who was born in Korea August 7, 2004. His brother Matthew has just turned 11.

Pitre, Michael
Visual & Creative Arts - Fine Arts - K
Photography - K
mitch.ap@gmail.com
After 20 years as a regional supervisor and photographer for PCA Photo Corp, Michael has moved back to his hometown of Whitby to pursue Toronto theatre and film.

Smith, David
Business Administration - Data Processing - K
David worked for St. Lawrence College (Brockville) for 11 years. He is now working for a consulting company that provides Validation Consulting to Life Science companies world-wide.

1985

Hannah, Susan
Graphic Design - K
susan@quarrypress.com
Susan designs and typesets books on a part-time basis while working to finish her science degree at Queen's University.

Meeks-Sjostrom, Diana
Nursing - K
Diana earned her PhD in Healthcare Management in 2004
Picard, Cynthia
Behavioural Science Technician - C
lsgdpicard@sympatico.ca
Cindy has been working with Scotiabank for 10 years. She has been married since 1989 and has 2 fun boys; Grant 14 and Devin 11. Cindy worked in her field of education for 11 years right after graduation.

Reinbold, Karilea
Word Processing Secretary - K
Karilea recently returned to Kingston from Halifax after the death of her husband.

Richards, Joyce
Secretarial Arts - Medical - K
srichards6@cogeco.ca
Joyce has been happily married for fifteen years this April and has two kids, a boy Jordan 13, and a girl, Daniella 10. Joyce has been employed for the last twenty years at Hotel Dieu Hospital.

1986

Ryan, Jennifer
Medical Laboratory Technology - K
Biotechnology Technologist - K
jennyryan2000@yahoo.com
Jennifer says that an education is a wonderful thing to have because it cannot be taken away from you once you have acquired it :)

Sarcevich, James
Civil Engineering Technology - K
jim_sarcevich@sympatico.ca
James is a single father with a 14-year-old daughter. He is also a Certified Building Code Official and has his own Consulting/Design/Inspection Business on the side.

Dinsey-Read, Kimberley
Nursing - B
Kim is currently completing her Masters in Nursing Education and oversees the Lead Childhood Prevention Program in 4 counties.

Barker-Godfrey, Lillian
Behavioural Science Technology - K
lbarkergodfrey@AOL.com
Lillian has been a widow now for 10 years and has 2 children, Erin (14) and Ethan (12). She has worked full time for Community Living - North Frontenac since 1986.

1988

Dollman, Cathie
Business Admin. - Finance - K
acdollman@earthlink.net
Cathie is a stay-at-home Mom who cares for her and husband Allan's two children, Kirsten age 11 and Spencer age 8. She is heavily involved in her children's school and community activities.

Froats, Fiona
Office Administration - Legal - K
froatsf@civil.queensu.ca
Fiona has been married since 1993 and has two daughters, ages 5 and 7.

Lepage, Catharine
Health Care Aide - C
sclepage@hotmail.com
Catharine's daughter Sarah, also an SLC alumnus, graduated from Kingston in June 2004 as a correctional worker. Her other daughter, Jessica, is attending 2nd year at Seneca College, North York in fashion merchandising. Catharine's son, Benjamin, is 9 years old.

Whalen, Karen
Hairstylist - B
Consumer Marketing - B
Business - Marketing - B
karenwhalen@sympatico.ca
Karen is looking forward to reconnecting with friends she has lost touch with over the years.

1989

Binaday, Emmanuel
Business Administration - Management - C
emmanuel.binaday@rbc.com
Manny has been married to Karen for a year now and they are expecting their first child. Although he does not get a chance to visit Cornwall all that often, it still feels like home whenever he does visit. Manny doesn't miss the Domtar smell but he does miss the Cornwall pizza. It's the best!

Patterson, Brenda
Business Administration - Finance - K
Teacher of Adults - K
brenpat@cogeco.ca
Brenda is keeping busy with family, working full-time, teaching part-time at St. Lawrence and finishing her degree.

Pike, Marion
Correctional Worker - K
UPPERCANADA@IPRIMUS.CA
Marion remarried in St Lucia to spouse Iain in 2000. She had her first child, Abigail in 2002 and is currently pregnant with a boy, Ryan, due in July 2006. Marion and her family live in Uxbridge Ontario, north of Pickering. Marion left the nursing profession in 2002 to dedicate herself full time to the raising of her children, and she loves being a full time mom.

1990

Arnosti, Jenifer
Animal Care Technology - K
jeniferarnosti@hotmail.com
Jenifer has worked in the veterinarian field off and on since graduating. The off time was usually spent skiing or rock climbing. She is now back in school. Jenifer is currently enrolled in the 3-year Seattle Midwifery School

program and plans to eventually open up a Birthing Center in her hometown of Rossland.

Casselman, Kelli
Business Admin. - Marketing - B
kcasselman@cogeco.ca
After relocating to Peterborough several years ago, Kelli began her career at Scotia McLeod. Over the years she has assisted several financial planners and was recently promoted to branch manager. Kelli and Kevin are happily married. Their daughter, Jaymi is 15 and their son Jesse is 13.

Elliott, Christine
Health Care Aide - K
General Arts and Science - K
Nursing - K
dede1st@yahoo.com
Christine moved to North Carolina in 1998 and been there since.

Reuer, Nicole
Behavioural Science Technology - K
kereuer@telusplanet.net
Nicole is married with one child.

1991

Corbett-Hébert, Kelly
Office Administration - General - K
kellyanne_kin70@hotmail.com
In August Kelly and Marc gave birth to a beautiful baby girl named Charlotte. Kelly currently works as an office manager in a dental office in Westmount, QC.

Creighton, Sheri-Lynn
Legal Assistant - K
sheriton@kingston.net
Since graduation, Sheri has been fortunate enough to be employed in her field. In 1994, She opened Sheriton Paralegal Services and was also featured in the Women in Business feature of the Kingston Whig Standard.

Dalgity, Christine
Social Service Worker - Gerontology - K
christine.dalgity@sympatico.ca
Christine is presently completing her degree in Social Development Studies at Waterloo University.

Elliott, Lisa
Animal Care Technology - K
iluvcats@kingston.net
Lisa has founded her own business called The Cat's Pajamas, a cats-only boarding kennel.

Foldeak, Heather-Anne
Hairstylist - B
Business - Accounting - B
hotstylist33@yahoo.ca
Heather-Anne has been married for 6 years with 2 beautiful boys; Justyn who's almost 6 years old and Hunter who is almost 3

Latour, Kayleen
Business Administration - Information Systems - K
latourk@hotmail.com
Kayleen is married with 2 children, a boy and a girl.

Routliffe, Lesli
Nursing - B
lratptc@superaje.com
Lesli has had many fond and terrific memories.

ALUMNI ECHOES

Steady, Lisa
Child and Youth Worker - K
lsteady@cywc.net
Lisa has been employed by the CWYC for 15 years in the position of Community Counselor. She has two sons Cody, 12, Wyatt, 10, and has been married for 15 years.

Waldroff, Rosa
Nursing - C
r5rofr0c@aol.com
Rosa has been married for 22 years with 3 sons ages 10, 17 and 21. She moved stateside in 1992 for employment. SLC gave her the best preparation for success in her field. Rosa has been working in an urban emergency department that serves 80,000 patients per year. She keeps busy teaching TNCC, ENPC and PALS. The hospital where she works is a certified chest pain and stroke center, associated with the Cleveland Cardiac Centre and a progressive cancer centre. Never a dull moment.

1992

Adam, Elizabeth
Nursing - K
themills@kos.net
Elizabeth graduated from Queen's University with her Nursing Degree, BNSc, in May 2005. Her husband Mike and two children, Lucas 11, and Sarah 8, are glad she's finally done with school at the age of 36.

Cheney, Jyneen
General Arts and Science - K
Business Administration - Human Resources Management - K
Jyneen was married in 1999. She has a daughter (Tatem Diane), son (Braden Edward), and she enjoys curling in the winter months and golf in the summer.

Gale, Robert
Accounting - C
Business Administration - Accounting - C
Information Systems - K
Windows Applications - K
robertbhgale@yahoo.com
Robert is currently looking for work. If any alumni know of a job opening in either of his chosen fields, drop him a line at his e-mail address. Robert is a member of his high school reunion committee, and they are having reunions once every 10 years. (years ending in a 4). They have a website that runs from September of the year before to the month after the reunion. Robert ran for political office and has done no better than 3rd. He attended Kingston Campus because they moved his computer major there before he was finished.

Hollinsworth, Dana
Refrigeration and Air Conditioning - K
hollinsworth-d@rmc.ca
Dana works in the Mechanical Engineering Department and has been employed by DND for the past 20 years.

Hollywood, Wayne
Business Administration - Human Resources Management - K
wayne.hollywood@sympatico.ca
Wayne is a self-employed Network Technician currently looking for full-time employment

McNea, Stephanie
Office Administration - Medical - K
mcneas@kgh.kari.net
Stephanie has a Corgi named Dixie and 3 nieces and nephews who are spoiled rotten.

Pashkewicz, Kevin
Graphic Design - K
Kevin started in the work force in a small graphic design company in New York, but wanderlust encouraged him to broaden his horizons and he went to work as a commercial fisherman in Alaska. He then worked as a tree planter for seven years and then returned to school at UNBC. Kevin has been working as a forester for the past five years.

Robertson, Alyson
Social Service Worker - Gerontology - K
miller17@durham.net
Alyson has 3 children, Joey 8, Maggie 6 and Katie 2. She earned a Social Work Degree from York University in 1998.

St-Amour, Chantal
Veterinary Technology - K
Chantal.StAmour@cogeco.ca
Chantal is no longer working as a Veterinary Technologist, and has gone back to school to become a Legal Administrative Assistant. She is currently working as a Legal Assistant in Kingston.

1993

Bernier, Reina
Office Administration - Executive - C
Reina has been married to Richard for 33 years. They have three boys, Luc, Joel, and Yvan, as well as a grandson named Eric who is now 10 years old and a new granddaughter of eight months named Ashlyn.

Hisko, Pamela
Hairstylist - B
Cndangelldoll@aol.com
Pamela enjoys work and raising her two healthy beautiful boys who are now eleven and seven years of age.

Pilz, Emmalice
Medical Laboratory Technology - K
emmdee@go.com
"Our son Sam was born in 2001 and we moved to Texas in 2004."

Ruest, Mandy
Law and Security Administration - C
mandy1@hotmail.com
Mandy is enjoying life in the beautiful Okanagan. It doesn't get any better than that!

Turner, Alison
Early Childhood Education - K
alisonh@cogeco.ca
Alison had 2 beautiful children, Jacob in 2000 and Olivia in 2005.

1994

Amodeo, Melanie
Child and Youth Worker - K
modes@kingston.net
Melanie was married in 1994 to husband Mark. They have 2 girls ages 8 and 9. Melanie has been a stay-at-home mom working on her Social Development Studies Degree from the University of Waterloo. If everything goes according to plan, she is

hoping to graduate from Waterloo in the fall of 2006.

Chiddle, Chantal
Civil Engineering Technology - K
cchiddle@sympatico.ca
After working at a local Consulting Engineering firm and receiving her license to practice Professional Engineering, Chantal has returned to the Municipal Engineering field.

Christian, Tiffany
Child and Youth Worker - K
christiant@limestone.on.ca
Tiffany and Sean have been married seven years. She is currently employed as an EA. Tiffany is also currently pursuing her CYW BA from Ryerson University.

Lauze, Melanie
Graphic Design - K
colourfullady@yahoo.com
Melanie had a little girl in 2003, was married in 2004, and separated in 2005. But she is still enjoying Winnipeg and working in the publishing industry. Melanie would love to hear from former classmates! Email her!

Foss, Austina
Developmental Services Worker - B
austina@netscape.ca
Austina has a son, Tristan, age 16 months, with a second child due this year.

Polly, Andrea
Nursing - C
urcanadianfriend@cox.net
Andrea is enjoying traveling and working in labor and delivery. Nothing is more rewarding than making new friends and bringing a new life into the world.

Tinkess, Valerie
Office Administration - Medical - K
vtinkess@hotmail.com
Valerie is interested in helping to find employment at her current workplace for summer SLC students enrolled in the Office Administration program.

Wilson, Brian
Veterinary Technology - K
bwrvt94@yahoo.ca
Brian and Julie had a baby girl in September. Her name is Jillian and all are doing well.

1995

Kellett, Jennifer
Veterinary Technology - K
Jennifer went back to school to take dental hygiene in 1992. She is now working as a dental hygienist. Jennifer has a 5-year-old son named Adrian and there's a baby girl on the way.

Lillis, Corey
Behavioural Science Technology - K
LillisC1@hotmail.com
Corey would like to get in contact with other grads from his program in the same graduating year.

Longlad, Traci
General Arts and Science - K
Legal Assistant - K
cosmobytheview@hotmail.com
Tracy is proud to say that she is the owner and operator of Painting by Trace, a personal painting and decorating business. It may not be directly related with the education that she

received, but at a closer look it is. Tracey graduated from the Kingston campus in 1995 (before the closing of the pub) and before the construction of dorms.

Mcphee, Catherine
Business - Accounting - C
cjmcphoe@sympatico.ca
Catherine has 3 wonderful girls, one of whom is attending St. Lawrence College in Cornwall.

Nicholas, Kristel
Social Service Worker - Gerontology - K
mrsnich@hotmail.com
Kristel has 2 children, a girl Jazlin (5 years), and a boy Theo (1 year).

Ruttle, Lisa
Animal Care Assistant - K
Lisa is not currently working due to cancer but was employed at the Perth Veterinary Clinic for 5 years after graduation.

1996

Brault, Daniel
Child and Youth Worker - B
dann_bro@hotmail.com
Thanks to his education (CYW diploma), Dan has had the opportunity to work in various aspects of the Child and Youth Work field. He now runs his own drop-in youth centre.

Douglas, Ian
Computer Eng. Technology - K
id@w98.us
Ian was married September 17, 2005

Forrestall, Jeanette
Legal Assistant - K
sjforrestall@sympatico.ca
Jeannette is married and has two children, ages 5 and 3 years.

Lyons, Michelle
Business - Advertising and Public Relations - K
colorchic@yahoo.ca
Michelle has been with Justin for 10 years and married for 3. They are expecting their first child in July 2006.

Oberman, Jeff
Municipal Tax Administration - K
jeffoberman@realtax.ca
Immediately after graduation, Jeff used his education to open a unique company, Realtax Inc. Realtax has now helped 170 municipalities across Ontario recover over \$200 million in tax arrears. He and his staff members have taught numerous seminars for municipal professionals throughout the province. In November, 2005, Jeff opened another unique company, OntarioTaxSales.ca. This company helps people buy properties that are being sold in order to recover tax arrears.

Packard, Tina
Medical Laboratory Technician - K
jessandina@fcicanada.net
Tina attended Centennial College in 2000 and obtained her RN Diploma. A community RN Nurse, she is currently on maternity leave after having a wonderful baby boy in June 2005. Tina married in August 2004 and has re-located to her hometown.

Reynolds, Robert
Marine Engineering Technology - C
kingstoncreek@rogers.com
Robert is currently employed in the oil and gas industry on a platform offshore Brazil. He says, "There's no life like it!"

St Denis, Jason
Teacher Assistant - C
jason.st.denis@investorgroup.com
In 2002 Jason married his friend from college, Adele Quenneville and in October 2004 they had a daughter Erica.

1997

Correction — our sincere apologies to one of our 2005 Premier's Awards Nominees, Sandra Hawkins. On two previous occasions we mistakenly identified her year of graduation from our Fine Arts Program in Brockville as 1987. The correct year was 1997. If like us you were impressed by her accomplishments, now you know, as we did when we nominated her, that it all happened in just 9 years, not nineteen! Our best wishes, Sandra — please forgive our error.

Chenier, Justin
Business - Advertising and Public Relations - K
jchenier@sympatico.ca
Justin taught Strategic Media Planning and Public Relations for Marketers for the School of Business at St. Lawrence College in Kingston from 2003 to 2005. He also developed and taught Digital Video Production and Digital Motion Graphics for the School of Human Studies at the same campus in 2005. In 2003, Justin began operating Beyond Time Media, a video production company in Kingston. He also won a 2005 AEGIS Award for the "Think of Andrew" PSA campaign developed for the Greater Kingston Enhanced RIDE Program.

Doonan, Marilyn
Business Administration - Accounting - B
m.doonan@sympatico.ca
After completing the 3 years of Business Administration at St. Lawrence, Marilyn used her college credits and enrolled at Lakehead University at the third-year level. She graduated in December of 1999 and received employment with the Dept. of National Defense, under the Financial Officer Recruitment and Development (FORD) program.

Gauthier-Feist, Lee-Ann
Developmental Services Worker - B
leeann_gauthier@yahoo.com
Lee-Ann was married in 2000 and her daughter was born in 2004

Gauthier, Lisa
Civil Engineering Technology - Environmental - K
Civil Engineering Technology - K
lis.cor@cogeco.ca
Lisa has been married almost six years and has two children, both boys.

Laforest, Mary
Business Admin. - Accounting - B
mary.la@sympatico.ca
Mary's Craft Supplier is a supplier of all your crafter's needs, from beads to quilting.

ALUMNI ECHOES

MacNeal, Susan
Veterinary Technology - K
smacneal@georgianc.on.ca
Susan has 2 children, ages 5 and 2.5. She is teaching dentistry and advanced radiography to veterinary technician students at the Georgian College campus.

Taylor, Kristine
Civil Engineering Technology - K
Kristine got married on October 22, 2005 to Adam McNamara. She is also a step mom to two awesome little girls. They live in Kemptville, Ontario.

Whalen, Cherie
Child and Youth Worker - K
cherieandjake@sympatico.ca
After being at home for 8 years with twin girls (now 8) and two sons aged 5 and 2.5, Cherie has returned to the work force.

1998

Belsher, Stephanie
Early Childhood Education - K
sbelsher@hotmail.com
Stephanie is returning to Canada after teaching in Tokyo for 3 years.

Bogar, Nancy
Self-Employment Assistance - C
nancylynn@bellnet.ca
Nancy teaches French part-time to Continuing Education students at her alma mater St. Lawrence Cornwall.

Booth, Jennifer
Business Admini. - Human Resources Management - K
kavic101@yahoo.com
Jennifer is currently working on second year in Social Welfare at Nipissing University.

Drawbridge, Darlene
Developmental Services Worker - B
darlenedrawbridge_1975@hotmail.com
Darlene has been working in the developmental services field since she was 15. She took time off after having her daughter Megan in 2000 and returned to the work force at Ongwanada in 2004. She is pleased to be back at work doing what she loves.

Hickling, Marc
Civil Engineering Technology - Environmental - K
Marc and Margaret and big sister Caitlyn (born Sept 2003) celebrated the arrival of Dylan in July of last year. They are all doing well and continue to live in Kingston.

Laughlin, Jennifer
Electronics Eng. Technician - K
jenniferevaughan@hotmail.com
Jennifer and Jeff were married on July 1st, 2004. Their first baby, Kylie, was born on September 1st, 2005.

McShane, Betty
Business - Human Resources - K
General Arts and Science - K
bmcshane_48@hotmail.com
Betty says St. Lawrence was a great learning experience. She had a lot of fun. Both of her daughters also attended SLC. It's a family affair - three business majors.

Accadia, Erin
Medical Laboratory Technician - K
clarkie_22@hotmail.com
Robert and Erin are thrilled to announce the birth of their beautiful baby girl, born November 2nd, 2005

Cosgrove, Victoria
Business - Information Systems - K
vcosgrove@sympatico.ca
Vicki has just bought a house and will be getting married in February of this year.

Cox, Angela
Veterinary Technology - K
Love my new job!!

Devries, Selena
Animal Care Assistant - K
selena_teresa@hotmail.com
Selena and Michael met in college through mutual friends and although at first they were not crazy about each other, it did not take long for them to fall in love. Eight years later they are living in their first home in Georgetown, ON, and expecting their first little one this year. They are having a girl and are very excited!

Heathcote, Jennifer
Veterinary Technology - K
Jennifer has begun her research career after 7 years in small animal practice. She loves every minute of it.

Jackson, Robert
Industrial Mechanic Millwright
- Basic - Apprentice - C
- Intermediate - Apprentice - C
- Advanced - Apprentice - C
robert@iroqpallet.com

1999

Robert is still interested in continuing with PEMAC (maintenance management certification program) course but has not received any mailings on courses offered. He is also interested in part-time evening studies.

MacLeod, Wendy
Nursing - K
wmacsweyn@hotmail.com
Wendy went back to school and obtained her BScN from the University of Ottawa in 2002. She also completed her certificate in Emergency Nursing at Algonquin College, Ottawa in 2004. She is currently employed at Glengarry Memorial Hospital in the emergency room.

Mason, Melissa
Hotel and Restaurant Management - Coop - B
mbruyere@magma.ca
Melissa says it is a big year for her. Not only is she marrying the love of her life, she is also starting a new job.

Marshall, Sandra
Medical Laboratory Technology - K
sdmarshall77@sympatico.ca
Sandra and Niall would like to announce the birth of their first daughter, Olivia Lois Marshall on September 8th, 2005. She weighed 7 lbs, 7 oz and was 20 inches long.

Singh, Emily
Business - Advertising and Public Relations - K
ekjoss@yahoo.ca
Emily was married on October 8th, 2005. She is currently enrolled in Anatomy and Physiology at the Canadian School of Natural Nutrition.

Trueman, Amanda
Child and Youth Worker - B
a.hibbett@sympatico.ca
Amanda is getting married on June 24, 2006

Wilson, Laura
Business - Accounting - B
daveandlaura37@hotmail.com
Laura met her husband at SLC and they have been married since May 31, 2003. Anyone who was in her class can feel free to e-mail her.

2000

Anderson, Sacha
Business Administration - Human Resources - K
s_cadiou@hotmail.com
Sacha wants to share her joy with everyone - she and her husband have become the proud parents to a beautiful little girl on February 1st 2006. They have named their daughter Sienna Elisabeth. Sacha hopes everyone is doing well.

Esipu, Sandra
Personal Support Worker - K
After graduation, Sandra moved to Gananoque Ontario to fulfill her dreams and do a job that she loves.

Fournier, Paula
Veterinary Technology - K
noorain12@yahoo.ca
Paula is currently on maternity leave after delivering her baby boy, December 2, 2005 weighing 2lbs. 1 oz. This is her second child

Irvine, Thomas
Fitness and Health Promotion - C
tommyirv@hotmail.com
Since Tom graduated from St. Lawrence College he has opened his own personal training studio and works part time at the College as a physical education teacher.

Klowak, Gloria
Veterinary Hospital Manager - K
gloriaklowak@hotmail.com
Gloria is the Office Manager at Molson Park Pet Hospital, a busy small animal clinic in Barrie, ON.

Lapensee, Julie
Nursing - C
jclapensee@cogeco.ca
Julie is working as RPN, had graduated in 1982 from Training Center for Nursing Assistants from Cornwall General Hospital.

Mccoy, Lesley
General Arts and Science - B
Business - Marketing - B
Leslie is glad that she studied at St. Lawrence College. She hopes that her fellow classmates are doing well in life.

Morin, Trisha
Social Service Worker - C
Child and Youth Worker - K
trishamorin@yahoo.com
Robin is getting married on July 21, 2006

Rogers, Jennifer
Child and Youth Worker - K
jrogers_04@hotmail.com
Jennifer was married in 2004, and is expecting her first child in May 2006.

Russell, Melissa
Nursing - C
missyr3@hotmail.com
Melissa got married in 2001 and has two children, Blake (2 and 1/2 yrs) and Chloe (5 months).

Ruta, Erin
Business - Advertising and Public Relations - K
erin_and_billy@hotmail.com
Erin is the Alberta Regional Sales Manager for Fairmont Hotels & Resorts, based out of Edmonton. Email her if you want to touch base!

Smith, Roberta
Office Administration - Legal - K
General Arts and Science - K
Roberta has a 6-year-old boy who is in Grade 1.

St. John, Donna
Personal Support Worker - B
dstjohn@ripnet.com
Donna would like to say "hi" to all her fellow classmates of 2000. She hopes everyone is doing fine and still loving what they were trained to do. Donna would love to hear from everyone. Maybe they can all get together.

Todd, Heather
Behavioural Science Technology - BA Option - K
htodd7@hotmail.com
Heather is blessed with a wonderful son, Caleb James, who is now 18 months old

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Ottawa
613-232-0022, x 1604
kgardner@sl.on.ca

Kemptville
613-258-1905
lhamilton@sl.on.ca

ALUMNI ECHOES

2001

Berrea, Gregory
Business - Accounting - B
gberrea@gmail.com
Have you driven a Ford lately?

Colella, Nadia
Advertising and Public Relations - K
nadiacolella@hotmail.com
In September, Nadia decided that it was time for her to leave her position at Oxford Learning to pursue other dreams. In November she opened her own business as a Mary Kay Independent Beauty Consultant (www.marykay.ca/ncoelle) and continues to do web design and PR for husband Jeff's multimedia company Illustrating Insanity Entertainment. Visit her personal website at www.nadiacolelle.com. She'd love to hear from everyone again!

Donaldson, Trevor
Police Foundations - K
mmeadows@kingston.net
Trevor is looking for work in the field of criminology

Gareau, Kelly
Computer Networking and Technical Support - K
gareauk@gmail.com
Kelly's job requires her to provide onsite support for corporate clients, install and maintain networks and repair desktop and laptop computers. She also has a radio gig with 580 CFRA and she helps moderate a computer forum for the radio show. Along with the radio show, Kelly is also involved in trade shows and advertising (www.tte.ca)

Hopkins, Monique
Veterinary Technology - K
Monique's clinic, the Stroud Veterinary Hospital, opened just over a year ago (October 14, 2004) and won the best new business in South Simcoe award on October 20, 2005. She and Vern finally got married on November 26, 2005 on their 12-year anniversary.

Knetsch, Steven
Police Foundations - K
sknetsch@yahoo.com
Steven got married on May 4, 2004. His wife gave birth to daughter, Morgyn, on November 2, 2004.

Marshall, Rachel
Veterinary Technology - K
r_burghgraef@hotmail.com
Rachel has a daughter, Madison, born October 8, 2004

Moore, Jennifer
Advertising and Public Relations - K
jen_moores@hotmail.com
Jen is on year three of what was supposed to be a short visit to Yellowknife in the NWT. Northern life suits Jen very well. Jen works as a communications officer for the Federal Government with the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs and is happy to be applying what she learned at SLC. Jen lives on a houseboat on Great Slave Lake with her boyfriend Adrian who is a math teacher at the local high school. Their home is completely self-sufficient, off-grid and powered by solar panels. (She was very excited to read the article on the 'Greening of SLC'.) Jen would like to

invite any of her former classmates to come up North and get hooked on laid-back Northern life.

Shaw, Mary
Veterinary Technology - K
mshaw2@cogeco.ca
Mary is currently working in transcatheter cardiovascular therapeutic preclinical trials

Vallentgoed, Richard
Business Admin. - Accounting - B
r_vallentgoed@hotmail.com
Richard and Erin just had a baby girl on October, 23, 2005 named Kaitlyn Elizabeth Irene Vallentgoed.

Wilson, Jayson
Business - Marketing - K
jayson.wilson@rogers.com
Jayson completed his first marathon participating in the National Capital Marathon in Ottawa on May 28th.

Wintersinger, Erika
Business Administration - Accounting - K
ewintersinger@hotmail.com
Erika achieved her Municipal Administration Designation in 2005 and was promoted to Office Manager of the Guelph Paper Company. She is currently the Chair of the Economic Development Committee for the town of Erin.

Youmans, Shawna
Advertising and Public Relations - K
Shawna is engaged to be married in the fall of 2006. She has 2 children Alicia Darlene (born March 21st, 2003) and Elijah Michael (April 8th, 2004).

2002

Armstrong, Alicia
Graphic Design - K
aliciaarmstrong@yahoo.ca
Alicia gave birth to a healthy baby boy on December 22, 2005. His name is James.

Arnold, Kristin
Biotechnology Technologist - K
Kristin and Keelan finally got married in Cuba. Also, they just had a little girl this past May named Dayna. They hope for a reunion for their class. Laycie would be good at organizing it.

Boulton, Erin
Medical Laboratory Technician - K
erin_boulton@yahoo.ca
Erin is still working at Gamma Dynacare and Woodstock General Hospital, but she is also attending school at Durham College in Oshawa for the Biotechnology Technologist course.

Brown, Derrick
Human Resources - B
Derrick received his professional designation of CHRP (Certified Human Resources Professional) in January of 2005

Donaldson, Nicole
Social Service Worker - C
nicoleDonaldson4@yahoo.ca
Nicole started a business for independents and caregivers who need assistance taking care of seniors, mentally and physically challenged and the ill. Caregiver Liaison offers

meal delivery service, relocation planning, emergency planning and mediation & referral. The SSW course has given her the skills and job experience required to start her business.

Elvidge, Krista
Business Administration - Accounting - K
kristaelvidge@cogeco.ca
Krista is getting married in June 2006. Her fiancé is in the Canadian Air Force. Once they are married, Krista will be moving to CFB Borden until her new husband's course ends in September 2007.

Hewitt, Sherry
Developmental Services Worker - K
babbymouse@aol.com
Sherry has been working for Community Living Kingston for 5 years in July. She has been working in the Community Options Program for the last 2 years and loves it!

Hutchings, Charlotte
Medical Laboratory Science - K
Charlotte and Tyler were married this summer at her parents' farm in Moscow, Ontario. They now reside in Harrowsmith.

Knapp, Heather
Business Administration - Human Resources - K
heatherknapp@sympatico.ca
Heather is currently on maternity leave with her first child.

Lanthier, Christine
Graphic Design - K
christine_lanthier@hotmail.com
Christine moved to Montreal in September 2005 and is now working for Mini Media Int'l Inc.

Miller, Melanie
Social Service Worker - C
bigred24@hotmail.com
After almost 3 years with the Correctional Service of Canada, Melanie transferred to the Canada Border Service in Cornwall, which cuts down on her daily travel and allows more home time with her family.

Murdoch, Deirdre
Nursing - B
deirdre_lee@yahoo.com
Deirdre is alive and well and is currently a travel nurse in the USA. She has remarried and her husband is currently in Michigan also finishing up nursing so they can travel together. Jay and Jazzy are well and enjoying life.

Porter, Robin
Computer Eng. Technology - K
Rporter@RESolutionsTECH.com
Robin has left his position at St. Lawrence College as Advancement Information System Administrator and is now focusing full time on his consulting company called RESolutionsTECH Inc. (www.RESolutionsTECH.com). He is also a board member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals Southeastern Ontario Chapter.

Sutherland, Janette
General Arts and Science - C
Social Service Worker - C
Motive Power Fundamentals - C

Janette has always enjoyed learning at St. Lawrence College in Cornwall because the teachers care!

Vallentgoed, Erin-Marie
General Arts and Science - B
Erin just had a little girl, Kaitlyn Vallentgoed, born on October 23, 2005. She is absolutely beautiful.

2003

Aird, Anthony
Graphic Design - K
anthonyaird@gmail.com
Your Workplace Magazine has just won the Business of the Year Award, from the Chamber of Commerce in Kingston. Anthony has been working there for 7 months. Vera Asanin is the Owner/Publisher.

Brandenburg, Holly
Veterinary Technology - K
hlb27@hotmail.com
For the past year, Holly has been on disability as she was diagnosed last February with brain cancer. She has been fighting her way through it and is hopeful for a full recovery this year.

Brink, Melanie
Practical Nursing - C
Nursing - B
Melanie is currently employed full-time in the Emergency Department at QCH and is taking part-time courses through Algonquin College to obtain her Emergency certificate.

Chapnick, Lindsay
Business - Marketing - K
lindsaychapnick@hotmail.com
Lindsay is currently doing an MBA at the Schulich School of Business in Toronto. She recently got engaged to Jonathan Collins (not SLC alum)

Coveney, Timothy
Nursing - K
timcoveney@hotmail.com
Timothy got engaged to Jackie Milette December 3, 2005. Their wedding is planned for October 2007

Fisher, Erin
Hairstylist - K
excaliber73@hotmail.com
Erin married on August 6, 2005.

Lessard, Victoria
Business Administration - Human Resources - K
victoria.lessard@adecco.ca
Victoria is currently working for Adecco Employment Services as a Payroll/Billing Coordinator for both the Kingston and Brockville branches. She began with Adecco in February 2003, prior to graduation, as the Office Administrator, and by May of 2003 she was promoted to Staffing Coordinator. Victoria remained in that position until August 2005, at which time she was promoted to her current role. She says that she would never have had this opportunity had it not been for the wonderful faculty of St. Lawrence College.

Owen, Shauna
Office Administration - Medical - K
shaunaowen@yahoo.ca
Shauna was very fortunate to land a position as a Nursing Ward Clerk at the Lennox and Addington County General Hospital in March of 2003, several months before she graduated

from the Medical Office Administration Program. She worked at the nursing station on the first floor for a little over two-and-a-half years before gaining a position as Clerical Support Clerk in the Physiotherapy Department. Shauna is currently working on a project to help make the public more aware of the need for medical coverage for patients with diabetes. This past May, Shauna met the love of her life Jason, and she couldn't be happier. They plan to get married within the next couple of years.

Poulsom, Angela
Law Clerk - K
angela591@hotmail.com
Angela was hired by Karissa Ward in March, 2006. She is the proud mother of a one-year-old calico cat named Tillie.

Simmers, Rachel
Office Administration - General - K
rachelsimmers@hotmail.com
Rachel has recently moved to Wellington, New Zealand.

Smith, Lea
Office Administration - Medical - K
leathefflea@hotmail.com
Lea and William are expecting their first child, a boy due in April 2006. They are slowly working on house renovations.

Villeneuve-Atchison, Lynn
Social Service Worker - C
Lynn is the mother of six and grandmother of two. She graduated with distinction and three Academic Achievement Awards including the President's List and is currently pursuing a Bachelor's Degree part-time.

Wales, Shauna
Early Childhood Education - K
shauna_uens@hotmail.com
Shauna is working in the infant room at Kinder Club. She got married in August 2005 and had a son, Dawson, in September 26, 2004.

Wilson, Parrish
Child and Youth Worker - B
somewhereinparadise22@hotmail.com
Parrish is currently employed as a Youth Worker in one of the low-income housing communities in Ottawa. She also just started another position as a residential counselor in a home for two girls with developmental and behavioural needs. All of this keeps Parrish quite busy as she is also working on a BA in psychology with plans to earn a Masters in Social Work and a Masters in Health Administration in graduate school.

Winstone, Barbara
Business - Marketing - B
bwinstone@sympatico.ca
Barbara has just returned from outbacking throughout Costa Rica, exploring the Mayil Ruins in the Yucatan Peninsula in Mexico and snorkeling in the world's second largest coral reef in Key West, Florida. She can't wait until the next adventure!

ALUMNI ECHOES

2004

Allman, Rebecca
Business Administration - Marketing - K
rallman@uwo.ca
Rebecca is continuing her education at UWO in History and Women's Studies, and will then continue on to teacher's college.

Bartel, Elizabeth
Child and Youth Worker - B
boobett31@hotmail.com
Elizabeth had a baby boy in October 2005

Boudreau, Sarah
Office Administration - Medical - K
angel_eyes_000@hotmail.com
Sarah graduated in 2004 with honours, and is currently working at Hotel Dieu Hospital in the Family Medicine Centre as a clerk typist II. She is enjoying it very much, and hopes to be there for many years to come.

Bougie, Michael
Police Foundations - C
bougie17@hotmail.com
Michael graduated in June of 2004 from the Police Foundations program at the Cornwall Campus. He has since been working for a local super leisure store in Cornwall (Club Pro by Campbell Pools). He has also been working for the Raisin Region Conservation Authority

Boyle, Allyn
Business Administration - Accounting - K
amboyle@pcl.com
Allyn is currently enrolled in the PACE level with CGA Ontario Program of Study.

Conroy, Dianna
Office Administration - Medical - K
sharbot@kingston.net
Dianna's graduation day was a long lifetime goal. She credits determination, hard work, and a wonderful family who supported her as the keys to her success. Dianna thanks her professors who guided her through her two years.

Hare, Terri
Behavioural Science Technology - K
General Arts and Science - K
hare790@hotmail.com
Terri completed her B.A. from Queen's University in 2005.

Hurley, Sarah
Business Administration - Accounting - K
sarah_belle_1983@yahoo.com
Sarah is planning on getting married in 2007.

Labonte, Paula
Personal Support Worker - C
pinkandsilvertoenails@hotmail.com
Paula's spouse, David Cote graduated from Police Foundations from SLC Cornwall in April 2006

Limbert-Lavoie, Kathryn
Nursing - K
katelimbert@hotmail.com
Katie moved to Petawawa Ontario in May 2005. She has been working many hours at the local hospital. She is also planning a wedding for July 2006 in Kingston Ontario.

Samis-Moore, Brandy
Behavioural Science Technology - B.A. Option - K
Brandy Samis (now Samis-Moore) married Dave Moore on July 30, 2005. She is working full time as a Case Worker with Rebound Child & Youth Services.

Peacock, Michelle
Medical Laboratory Technician - K
bridgetobe62307@yahoo.com
On October 8, 2004, Michelle became engaged to her boyfriend Shawn. The wedding is scheduled for June 23 2007.

Singleton, Kristen
Child and Youth Worker - K
Early Childhood Education - K
singletonkristen@hotmail.com
Kristen and Leonard had a beautiful baby girl named McKenzie Renee Groulx on July 10, 2005. She and Len are also getting married on October 7, 2006.

Shepherd, Leah
Child and Youth Worker - K
leahkshepherd@hotmail.com
Leah has been working with Kinark Child and Family services since she graduated in their Residential Treatment facility. She has also been working for the Separate School board as an EA and last year was hired on full time in the Behavioural Educational Support Training Program in their elementary school. She enjoys both jobs which give her great experiences and new opportunities.

2005

Angus, Ashleigh
Child and Youth Worker - B
angusashleigh@hotmail.com
Ashleigh has just returned to Canada and is looking for work in her area.

Geneau, Chantal
Medical Laboratory Technician - K
cdgeneau@hotmail.com
Chantal is currently looking for work in her field. She is considering continuing her education as an Emergency Medical Technician.

Girard, Edward
Business Admin. - Marketing - K
tedgirard@sympatico.ca
Ted accepted a management position with Indigo in October of 2005. As well, Ted and his wife Marnie welcomed their first child, Samuel on December 9th, 2005.

Hancock-Potvin, Kelly
Business - B
thepotvins@netscape.ca

Kelly has recently opened her own business doing bookkeeping for transport owner-operators and small businesses, as well as personal and small business income taxes.

Kane, Tracy
Child and Youth Worker - K
tkane@sympatico.ca
Tracy is attending the University of Victoria in the Child & Youth Care Program.

Lavallie, Amy
Educational Assistant - C
LAVALLIE893@HOTMAIL.COM
Amy has done some supply work at schools in her area.

Moore, Jason
Advertising - Integrated Marketing Communications - K
jmoore@racerxcanada.com
Jason is currently racing professional motocross in Canada while working for an industry-leading racing magazine.

Petrynka, Ryan
Business Technology - Information/Communication Sy - C
ryanpetrynka@gmail.com
Ryan is continuing his education at SLC Kingston in the Advertising - Integrated Marketing Communications program and having a blast!

Stewart, Amy
Behavioural Science Technology - K
amystewart@primus.ca
Amy is currently obtaining her psychology degree through the University of Waterloo.

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STAFF ECHOES

Catherine Barr, Coordinator of Arts & Science and Pre-Health Science programs in the School of Applied Arts, Cornwall campus, retired on June 30, 2006.

Michael Barrette, Professor of Accounting in the School of Business, Kingston campus, retired June 30, 2006.

Andrew Barton, our new College Purchasing Officer located at our Brockville campus, replaces **Wendy Hutt**, who has now retired. Andrew is from the manufacturing sector and has worked for some large companies including Nestle, Johnson & Johnson, and JDS Uniphase. Welcome to the finance team, Andrew!

After two years in a partial-load capacity at the campus, **Michael Bianchin** joins us full time this fall as a drama teacher in the Music Theatre program on the Brockville campus. Michael has had a career that spans a quarter century, with experience as an Artistic Producer, Director, General Manager, Actor, Teacher, Writer, Dramaturge, and Production Manager. As an Artistic Producer for *Welcome Wood Productions*, he has provided production for many theatres throughout Ontario including the Brockville Arts Centre, Upper Canada Playhouse and the Regent Theatre, Picton. His work has taken him across Canada, but he is happy to be right here in eastern Ontario. With degrees in both Fine Arts and Education he has previous experience teaching drama at all levels.

Michael Burns, Professor in the Child and Youth Worker Program on Kingston campus received the Alumni of Distinction award from St. Clair College in Windsor in July. The Alumni of Distinction Award honours graduates of St. Clair College for their outstanding career success related to their college experience and for significant contributions to their communities. Mike graduated in 1978 from the Child Care Worker program at St. Clair College. The awards ceremony will be held in Windsor on October 19th. Mike has also been selected by St. Clair College as one of their 2006 Premier's Awards nominees.

The Veterinary Technology and Veterinary Assistant programs will be waving good-bye to two of its finest. **Barbara Donaldson**, Coordinator Veterinary Assistant program and **Joanne Hamel**, Coordinator Veterinary Technology program, Kingston campus have decided to hang up their stethoscopes and enjoy the enticing world of "retirement". Both of these fine ladies have 30+ years of service. In honour of their retirements.



Barb Donaldson, Joanne Hamel, Sarah McLaughlin and Wayne Sudds have established a bursary to be awarded to a Vet Tech student entering final year. The recipient will be decided upon by faculty and will have demonstrated small animal skills, a sound knowledge base and compassion for animals in a professional manner. Wayne retired in 2004, Sarah in 2005 and Barb and Joanne in 2006. The bursary will be presented for the first time in 2007.

Rebecca Christie has been appointed to the position of Executive Assistant, Office of the Vice President Academic and Executive Director, Kingston. Rebecca joins St. Lawrence after several years at the Royal Military College and Canadian Defence Academy, where she worked as Executive Assistant and Project Manager to the Dean of Continuing Studies, and Vice-Principal Academic/Director of Learning Management. She has also worked in the U.K., Europe, and B.C.

Vincent Durant is completing his six-month term as Pathways Facilitator providing tri-campus leadership for college-school board linkages and partnership, and returns to his role as Coordinator of Accounting Programs in Kingston. We thank Vincent for his excellent work including coordinating the successful "Triple Play" dual-credit program with area school boards, representing the college on the PASS consortium under the provincial School-College-Work-Initiative, contributing towards the development of the dual-credit "focus" program "IMC@SLC" with the Limestone School Board to be delivered next winter, and supporting numerous tri-campus articulation agreements and school board partnership initiatives.

Julie Dyke, Professor in the School of Health Sciences, Cornwall campus, and hubby, Pierre Jean Gendron, are the proud parents of a bouncing baby boy, Antoine, born at noon on July 4th and weighing in at 8lbs 13ozs. Mother and son are home from hospital and doing well. Many congratulations to the Dyke-Gendron family. The fun is just beginning.

John Eby, who taught Sociology for various programs in the School of Human Studies and Applied Arts, Kingston campus, retired on June 30, 2006.

Claire Farella has joined the faculty of the BScN program in Brockville. A recent graduate of Athabasca's Master of Nursing program, Claire has a BScN from Ottawa U, a Critical Care Diploma from SLC and a RN diploma from our own Brockville Campus. She brings a wealth of nursing experience to our team: Emergency Department in Etobicoke, ICU nursing at KGH, Director of Emergency, Intensive Care and Ambulatory Care at BGH, as well as District Health Unit experience with Healthy Babies, Healthy Children and most recently Infectious Diseases Prevention and Control.

Barb Guerin has moved to the Brockville campus, after having worked at the Kingston campus for many years as both a technician and a teacher. Most recently she played a leadership role teaching in the Day Release Apprenticeship program. Barb is a talented practitioner and has run her own very successful salon in the city of Kingston. A graduate of the Teacher of Adults program, Barb has shown a long-term commitment to teaching and learning and is anxious to take on the task of building the new Hairstyling/Esthetician cluster of programs in Brockville.

Betsy Hotchkiss, Administrative Assistant, School of Business, has been appointed to a one-year term as Manager, Academic Operations within the school, effective June 30th. The appointment provides additional management resources to support the broad responsibilities of the Dean and allows for greater functional division of labour between academic leadership and the operations of the school.

Anna Klussen taught Communications for various programs across the School of Human Studies and Applied Arts, Kingston campus. Anna retired on June 30, 2006.

Charles Leger, Professor in the Computer Network and Technical Support program and the Computer Programmer Analyst program in the School of Computer and Engineering Technology, Kingston campus, has retired effective June 30, 2006.

After 32 years of dedication and service to St. Lawrence College, **Marg Matheson** retired this past summer.



For the final five years of her career, Marg served as Executive Assistant to the Vice-President Academic and Executive Director, Kingston, though she has "trained" principals and vice-presidents through several college administrations and re-organizations. Marg initially came to St. Lawrence as a student, graduating from the Special Secretarial Certificate program, which she attended after completing a B.A. at Queen's.

Kathryn McDonald will be the Student Success Facilitator in the School of Computer & Engineering Technology and the School of Skilled Trades & Tourism. Kathryn is a professional electrical engineer who gained ten years experience in the telecom industry before taking a break to raise her family.

Dr. Andrew McNamara is the new professor in the Behavioural Psychology degree program. Drew has a Ph.D. in Human Development and Applied Psychology from the University of Toronto and 20 years of clinical experience in the areas of autism, developmental disabilities and acquired brain injury. Most recently, Drew was the coordinator of both the Behavioural Science Technology program and the Autism and Behavioural Science program at George Brown College in Toronto.

Dr. Denise Preston is the new professor in the Behavioural Science Technology program. Denise has a Ph.D. in Psychology from Queen's University and has had an extensive career with Correctional Services of Canada. Most recently, Denise was the Chief Psychologist at Millhaven Institution.

Luke Revell is the new technician in charge of the teaching kitchens in our Culinary programs on the Kingston Campus. Luke comes to SLC with just under twenty years experience in the culinary industry. His most recent position was Executive Chef at Brown's Bay Inn on Wolfe Island.

Dianne Roy, Professor in the School of Business, Cornwall campus, retired June 30, 2006.

Michelle Sherbino's contract to lead our pilot recruitment project in the School of Technology ended at the Kingston campus in July. She has since taken on a new role at Stantive Solutions Inc. in Kingston.

Chuck Street is our new CASTLE Brockville Project Coordinator. Chuck has worked on several projects with St. Lawrence College, including Brockville Blossoms and Prescott Blossoms. CASTLE Brockville is scheduled for Thursday, October 26th, 9:00 - 5:00 p.m., and will be held in both St. Lawrence College, Brockville Campus and in the Memorial Centre. Exhibitors will be spread throughout the College and the Memorial Centre with skill demonstrations, certification workshops and a job fair.

Valdis (Val) Tomsons has joined us as Athletic Officer/Student Life Coordinator at the Brockville Campus. Val has a Master's degree in Sport and Recreation Administration from the University of New Brunswick as well as a BSc in Exercise Science from Lander University in South Carolina. For the past five years, Val has worked with various companies including Itech Hockey in Montreal, Sportchek in Fredericton, and has served as Tournament Coordinator for the New Brunswick Golf Association. Val comes to us from the Royal Military College in Kingston where he was a Physical Education teacher. Val will replace **Elaine DeKroon** while she

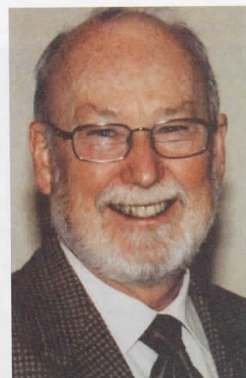
is on maternity leave. Elaine and Allen were blessed with a beautiful, healthy baby girl (8lbs, 4oz), Paige Elizabeth, born on March 24th, 2006.

Luetta Trenholme, our Marketing Officer for over 23 years, officially retired on August 31, 2005. She just couldn't leave us though, and hung around for nearly a year on a part-time basis helping out with special projects. As of this past summer though, she's begun truly enjoying her retirement. Her calm, soft voice, and beautiful smile will be missed by all. Enjoy the grandchildren, Luetta!

Catherine Wilkes, Professor in the Practical Nurse program in the School of Health Sciences, Kingston campus retired June 30, 2006.

Penny Williams-Lynn is our new Student Success Facilitator in the School of Human Studies on the Kingston Campus. Penny is a graduate of our Behavioural Science Technology program and has 13 years experience as a student/family support worker both in the public and separate school systems. Most recently, Penny was a part-time professor and placement coordinator in the Social Service Worker program at Algonquin College - Perth Campus.

Over the course of a career spanning 36 years at St. Lawrence, **Ian Wilson** has contributed in many ways that are symbolic of what community colleges are all about.



Ian retired on August 15, 2006. Serving for the past 5 years as Dean of the School of Business, Ian demonstrated a passion for life-long learning and a focus on student success throughout his career. Ian began his postsecondary education as a college student graduating in Business Administration - Marketing from the Eastern Ontario Institute of Technology (later to become Algonquin College). He then went on to Trent University in Peterborough, where he obtained a B.A. in Economics; the same year he received his first job as a Teaching Master at St. Lawrence. While teaching at the college, Ian became involved in municipal politics where he served for 20 years, culminating in the office of Reeve of Ernestown. In 1976, he graduated with a certificate in Municipal Administration from St. Lawrence and a Master's degree in Education from Queen's. Ian's wise counsel and love of life will be truly missed by his many SLC friends and colleagues.



*Gord MacDougall
from page 3*

his achievements. He was a diligent student while at college and university, graduating "With Distinction," and was named to both the Principal's and President's List, while at St. Lawrence. In 1982 he was awarded the School of Nursing Alumnae Award. As he continued his education at the University of Western Ontario, he was named to the Dean's list from 1985 to 1987 inclusive, graduating "Cum Laude" in 1987 with a BScN degree. In 2001, as a result of his work at St. Lawrence College, he was nominated for a Premier's Award, which recognizes college graduates who contribute significantly socially

and economically to the province of Ontario.

Gord appreciates the many opportunities he has received at SLC over the past 19 years, to be involved with new and exciting projects. There are many things that Gord enjoys about his job, and he insists that one of the best is "learning." "I am trying to make the student experience better," says Gord. He maintains his focus on things that can have a direct impact on improving the experience for students while they study at SLC. Gord draws great satisfaction from his role as Registrar: "Being able to shake hands with several thousand students every year is a great feeling - being able to keep the alumni connection and see what they do with their lives is even better."

When asked what directions Gord sees the college taking over the next 5 - 10 years, Gord focused on the Col-

lege's Strategic Plan, which will set the course for the college, providing strategic directions to ensure student success and continued growth and prosperity. As a key organizer of the discussions and consultations that took place over several months, Gord enjoyed the opportunity to play a role in the preparation of the strategic plan, and he is excited about the themes that have emerged. For more information on the College's strategic plan, read Gord's article in this issue or visit the college's website at www.sl.on.ca/strategy.

Gord is one of approximately 50,000 St. Lawrence College alumni. He sees himself and all other alumni as "informal ambassadors," all intimately connected with their communities. Gord truly believes that "we are our communities' college," and that SLC will continue to demonstrate that connection with the communities we serve.



*Joe Spagnola
from page 4*

Joe. "He keeps his skills upgraded, stays up to date with technology, and especially didn't allow himself to become a dinosaur. He could have retired and left the scene, but he chooses to remain relevant," a trait Joe admires.

Joe has been married for 25 years to Doris, and they have two grown children in their 20s - a son who is a restaurateur, and a daughter who is a fellow St. Lawrence alumnus from the Business program in Kingston. He and his wife share a passion for travel and wine. The combination has seen them traipse around the world, from Italy - his parents' birthplace -, to some of the world's best wine regions, including Australia. His work with National Defence has brought him to several

European capitals as well. In recent years, he's also resurrected a passion from his teens: "some pretty serious cycling." He enjoys his solitary hobby, "a good way to maintain my health and do some thinking."

As successful as Joe has already been in his career, he is motivated and inspired to forge ahead like that Professor from London. He says it's important for him to "keep ahead of the pack or move aside. If I'm going to do it, I'm going to do it right."



*Sarah Windsor
from page 5*

with plenty of different personalities in a single cottage - were "interesting, but worth it!"

Sarah doesn't have a specialty yet, because she's still developing her skills. "Where I am working right now, I have the opportunity to do the specials for lunch and dinner every day that I work," she points out, stating that she enjoys using her creativity to prepare different fish, pasta, appetizer and salad

specials. Her dishes are derived from recipe books, course experience, and her own imagination.

Sarah thinks back to almost two years ago with wonder. "When we all started out, we hardly knew how to hold a knife to sufficiently cut a carrot," she says. "And now we are able to prepare an entire feast using any tools or pieces of equipment available to us. Sometimes I look back on what I didn't know and see where I am now and it's unbelievable!" Sarah plans to finish up her required apprenticeship hours and looks forward to challenging the Inter-Provincial Standards Red Seal Exam to receive her certification by mid-2007.

She also has some interesting

dreams for the future. "I'd like to open my own little restaurant some day," Sarah says, and donate a portion of her proceeds from this endeavor to different charities. A second dream is to open a non-denominational soup kitchen and her third wish is to conduct a "private cooking school for school-age children," an extension of a February 2005 pilot program she helped run with the City of Kingston to teach an enthusiastic group of nine-to thirteen-year-olds culinary skills every Saturday.

With goals like these in mind, Sarah's definitely on the right path now and is bound to keep on cookin' for a very long time!



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Campus(es) B ☐ C ☐ K ☐ Year(s) of Graduation: _____

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- ☐ Corporate Training Needs
- ☐ Philanthropic Support for the St. Lawrence College Foundation
- ☐ Sponsorship of Student Awards & Bursaries (personal/corp.)
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Other: _____

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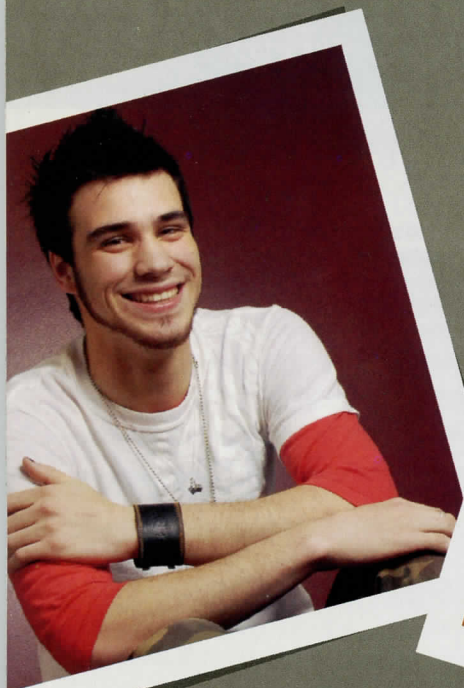
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