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Mount Saint Vincent University, Halifax, Nova Scotia



## Honorary Degrees to be Conferred at May 8th Convocation — McCarthy, Sauvé, Dubinsky and Bonisteel

Mount Saint Vincent University will confer the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Humane Letters on Sister Francis d'Assisi McCarthy, college president from 1954-65; the Honorable Jeanne Sauvé, Speaker of the House of Commons; Halifax human rights advocate Anita Dubinsky and "Man Alive" award-winning television journalist Roy Bonisteel.

Approximately 400 students are expected to

graduate during the Sunday, May 8 convocations in the Seton Academic Center, with Madame Sauvé addressing the morning session and Anita Dubinsky addressing the afternoon session.

Sister Francis d'Assisi, who was a driving force behind the establishment of the university, will be presented with her honorary degree by university chancellor Archbishop James Hayes at the Baccalaureate Mass to be held at the Motherhouse Chapel 4 p.m., Saturday, May 7.

Sister Francis d'Assisi McCarthy, B.A., M.A., Ph.D., retired from the presidency of Mount Saint Vincent College in 1965, just one year before it gained status as a university. She spent a total of 47 years as a leader in the field of higher education in Halifax, 27 of them as a teacher, dean and president (1954-65) of the Mount. Together with Mother Mary Evaristus, founder and first president of the Mount, Sister Francis d'Assisi helped Mount Saint Vincent College achieve its potential as a distinctive institution of higher education designed to meet the needs of women.

A native of Boston, she entered the congregation of the Sisters of Charity in Halifax in 1915 and taught both at the Mount and at St. Patrick's High School for a number of years.

A historian and teacher of history, she became interested in the country and province of her adoption and particularly in Canada's church history.

As a college administrator she made sure that provision was made for scholarships for promising students, and brought to the Mount campus the first foreign students, from the West Indies, China and Africa.

After her retirement as president of the college, she was appointed Community Historian and has been involved in important work for the Congregation and the Church.

The Honorable Jeanne (Benôit) Sauvé, P.C., M.P., has a distinguished career both as a broadcaster and a politician. For more than 20 years she was a free-lance journalist and broadcaster working for the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation and La Société Radio-Canada.

She is a founding member of the Institute of Political Research and from 1969 to 1972 was a

Director of Bushnell Communication Limited and radio station CKAC in Montreal.

Her career as a Member of Parliament began in 1972 when she was elected member for Ahuntsic (Montreal) and joined the cabinet as Minister of State in charge of Science and Technology. She was re-elected in 1974 and appointed Minister of the Environment and in 1975 became Minister of Communications, together with the responsibility for French speaking countries in the Department of External Affairs.

In 1975 Madame Sauvé was elected MP for Laval-des-Rapides in the federal general election. As a member of the official opposition she was Chairman of the Committee on Culture and Communications. Shortly after being re-elected in Laval-des-Rapides in February 1980, she became Speaker of the House of Commons.



Sr. Francis d'Assisi McCarthy



The Hon. Jeanne Sauvé

Born in Saskatchewan, Madame Sauvé was educated in Ottawa and attended the University of Ottawa and the Université de Paris. She holds an Honorary Doctorate in Laws from the University of Calgary and in Sciences from the University of New Brunswick.

Madame Sauvé is married to the Honorable Maurice Sauvé and has one son. *Contd page 4*



## alumnae update



Anne C. (Murphy) Edney

Anne C. (Murphy) Edney, one of the Mount's staunchest supporters and an alumna for 67 years, died in Boston on March 20, 1983 at the age of 86.

Mrs. Edney was a welcome visitor to Halifax when she attended special events at the Mount, and used to stay with her cousin Mrs. M.F. Hirschfield of Dartmouth. She was present at the opening of Rosaria Center in 1979 and came to the 1981 Homecoming where she stole everyone's heart with her enthusiasm and vitality.

Anne Edney attended the Academy from 1914 to 1918 and later obtained a Certificate of Social Work from McGill University and 1948 and also studied at the London School of Economics.

She was married to C.A. Edney who predeceased her a few years ago.

Always interested in helping others, Mrs. Edney was still working with underprivileged children in Boston, teaching them to read, up to the time of her death.

She was very proud of her association with the Mount and attended reunions in Boston regularly.

Two nieces survive her, Brenda Maddox who lives in England, and Lorraine Rasmussen who is at present in South America.

Mount Saint Vincent Alumnae Association will hold a Bridge/Card Social on Monday, April 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room, Rosaria Center.

There will be something for everyone, from the strategic bridge enthusiast to the more sedate cribbage player and games such as Trivial Pursuit will also be included.

Door prizes, table prizes, bar facilities and refreshments will also be available with proceeds going to support Project One scholarships.

Admission is \$5. and everyone is welcome. Tickets should be reserved in advance by contacting the Alumnae Office at 443-4450, extension 136.

Bring your friends and relatives and make this a wonderful evening of cards, games and socializing.

## 1983 Summer Research Awards

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council undergraduate summer research awards for 1983 have been awarded to the following Mount Saint Vincent University students:

Karen Alexander — The effects of multiple burns on revegetation and on total non-structural carbohydrates of forest understory species (with Dr. Marguerite Flinn);

Shelly Bryant — Long distance acoustic communication in peacocks (with Dr. Fred Harrington);

Beth Carmichael — The intramolecular thiolysis of an amide (with Dr. Bob McDonald);

Gerald Enright — The effects of multiple burns on revegetation and on total non-structural carbohydrates of forest understory species (with Dr. Marguerite Flinn);

Wanda Manette — Nutritional status of children in the Dominican Republic (with Professor Alleyne Murphy and Dr. Susan Whiting);

Anna Thurgood — Effect of dietary calcium and protein on calcium metabolism in the rat (with Dr. Susan Whiting).

Each student will receive an award of \$715 per month from the NSERC plus a university supplement for a total salary of \$895 per month.

## This and That

A meeting of the Campus Association of Part-Time University Students will be held on Wednesday, April 13 at 1:00 p.m. in Seton 442.

There is much work to be done in arranging the Graduating Part-Time Students Banquet to be held on May 4. Your time and help is needed. Become involved!

The Society for Canadian Women in Science and Technology invites all women from across Canada to participate in a national conference May 20-22, at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver. The object of the conference is to emphasize present and future opportunities for women in scientific careers and to motivate them to higher career goals, to provide workshops for communication and analysis of problems common to women in science, and to establish an organization representing women scientists at the national level.

A special conference fee of \$25 for students is offered, and some graduate students are willing to accommodate other students through billeting. For information contact Dr. Hilda Lei Ching, P. O. Box 2184, Vancouver, B.C. V6B 3V7

Anyone interested in attending Oxford University Summer School, July 1 - August 15, 1984, should contact Jean Frost (ext. 346) or Sr. Geraldine Anthony (ext. 220) as soon as possible. \$1600 covers the six weeks' tuition

and a private room, as well as round trip air fare and some cultural events.

At the Mount Saint Vincent University Art Gallery, Drs. Louis Collins and William Oliver will discuss "A Look at Victorian Halifax in Black and White", at 8:15 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12. Everyone Welcome.

Major plenary sessions on government relations, public perceptions of universities, National Universities Week, and involving many Canadian university presidents and senior administrators have been planned for the upcoming AID conference to be held at the University of Calgary June 23-25.

This will be a combined conference with members of the Canadian Association of University Information Bureaus, the Canadian Association of University Development Officers and the only body of alumni representatives with national ambitions, the Ontario Association of Alumni Administrators, participating.

Again, this year the ACUIB will be presenting awards for outstanding achievement in university/college communications.

Public Relations, Alumnae and Development Director Dulcie Conrad, who is also vice-president of ACUIB, will be attending the conference for the Mount and will chair a panel discussion on the "role of the institutional newspaper".

A unique source of feminist and progressive books can be found at Red Herring Cooperative Books, 1652 Barrington Street, Halifax, books dealing with national and political struggles in Asia and Latin American countries, the anti-nuclear movement, and labour issues.

## Alumnae Mentoring Program



A new mentoring program has been started at the Mount, to help students make the transition from university to the working world. Students in the program will be matched individually with alumnae on the basis of shared occupational basis.

Each mentoring relationship will be quite different — in some cases, it might involve helping to develop a network of supportive professional contacts or improve a resume, in others a sharing of information about routes taken to achieve career goals or how to juggle a family and a career.

Any student at the end of her/his second year at the Mount is invited to submit an application, which will request detailed information on academic, career and personal interests to achieve the best possible match between the student and alumna.

Application forms can be picked up from the Student Services, Rosaria Center. The program is sponsored by the Mount Saint Vincent Alumnae Association, the university's Alumnae Office and Student Services.



More than 50 awards, certificates, trophies and pins were presented at the annual Mount Saint Vincent University Student Union, Athletics and Alumnae Awards Banquet recently, to deserving students, societies/organizations and staff.

## Debaters Made Good Showing

Mount Saint Vincent University debaters Nancy Chan and Jim Wentzell returned from the World Debating Championships held at Princeton University, content in the knowledge that they had made a pretty good showing.

"Placing somewhere in the middle of the pack which included debaters from Yale, Harvard and Oxford universities is pretty good for a team which just got reactivated on this campus a year ago," said Wentzell.

### TROUBLE

He said a loss at the start of the competition meant trouble for the Mount team because of the American system of scoring. "We had a tough fight against Yale and only lost by three points but it was enough to hold us back because they score by the number of wins overall, not by the number of points won", he said.

The Mount outscored the team from Scotland with all three judges, even though its first speaker was chosen top debater in the World's competition this year, he said.

Nancy Chan said the final debate was against an English team with the Mount winning handily. Wentzell scored 30 points while she picked up 28. Despite this, there were not enough wins to bring the Mount out on top, she said.

Both agreed that the hospitality shown by the debating teams from universities from all over the world "was just great. We stayed with members of the Australian team. We also took in a couple of shows in New York and watched the St. Patrick's Day parade, protesters, and all."

Before going to Princeton University, Wentzell and Chan participated in a debate at the Royal Military College (whose reps were at the Mount earlier) in Kingston, Ontario. They made the quarter finals and Wentzell was presented with an award for being one of the top speakers.

Following his return home, Wentzell resigned from the Mount's debating team saying that it "was a nice moment to bow out." He graduates this year but would like to participate in one last debate with any challengers.

Wentzell said he also intends to send in a report (including recommendations) to Students Council and university ad-

ministrators on what should be done to assist the Debating Society.

"It was a real hassle this year trying to stir up interest and get financial support. I think we have enough interest in debating now but it has to be shown some real leadership and given support." He said he owes his thanks to many at the university who made the travelling to the Worlds possible.

## On the Move

Dr. Marguerite Flinn of Mount Saint Vincent University's Biology Department, has received permission from the Department of Lands and Forests to carry out experimental burn programs this summer. She will be assisted by two students, Karen Alexander and Gerald Enright who both won NSERC scholarships to help with the research.

Dr. E. Margaret Fulton will be attending the 13th Quinquennial Commonwealth Universities Congress in Birmingham, England in August.

In May she will attend a conference at Confederation College in Thunder Bay and in April goes to Ottawa to the meeting of the North/South Institute where she has been asked to serve on the Board of Directors.

Dr. Susan Clark, Dean of Human and Professional Development is teaching a Women's Studies course at Middle Musquodoboit in May and June and will be attending Learned Societies meetings in Vancouver in June.

After three years at the Mount Dr. Harold Oxley of the Public Relations faculty, is leaving to reside in England, where his two sons are living.

Prof. Alleyne Murphy will be in Vancouver in May to present a paper to the Canadian University Teachers of Home Economics Association at University of British Columbia. In June, as Director of the Clinical Nutrition Fellowship Council, she will attend the Board of Directors meeting of the Canadian Dietetic Association in Calgary.

Co-operative Education director Ivan Blake will be giving a paper at the joint Canadian and American Co-operative Associations meeting in Toronto on April 20. He also spoke on the History of Antique Maps to the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs in Halifax recently.

Dr. Marilyn McDowell will join Mount home economics faculty members Dr. Lila Engberg and Helen Landry at Chancellor College, Malawi, this summer to assess the work being carried out in the establishment of a home economics degree program there. The two-year first phase of the Mount-Malawi link will be up next December and plans must be undertaken to see the project through. Dr. McDowell also plans to meet with Dr. David Kimbell, vice-chancellor of the University of Malawi.

Mount alumnae officer Dilly MacFarlane met with other Atlantic university alumnae administrators at the Université de Moncton recently to, among other things, look at ways of encouraging new alumnae to get involved with various projects. A subsequent visit to Moncton was to meet with local alumnae and the media to promote the university and its fund-raising projects. She was accompanied by alumna Claudette (Goudet) Sapp '80 who represented the university in a half-hour television interview carried over the CBC French network on April 5.

"Today's Food" will be the second in a series of off-campus courses offered to the native people of Fort Smith, N.W.T., when Mount home economics faculty members Glenda Everett, May Maskow and Dr. Marilyn McDowell head north in June. The project is sponsored by the Donner Foundation

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## Brief Presented to Day Care Task Force

In a brief presented to the Nova Scotia Task Force on Day Care, held in Halifax recently, Mount Saint Vincent University faculty stressed the fact that over and over again, national surveys have identified child care as one of the most crucial unresolved needs facing parents and families today.

Dr. Patricia Canning, Director, and assistant Professor Mary Lyon of the Mount's child study faculty (which includes the operation of a day care center), presented the brief, in which it was stated that the Nova Scotia government had "not been willing" to make the commitment necessary to give all children the opportunity to experience proper standards of child care.

### LOW PRIORITY

"We must emphasize that the \$3.5 million budgeted for Day Care in Nova Scotia in 1982, out of a total budget of \$2 billion, is a strong indication of the low priority given to day care by this government."

It was pointed out that the rise in the number of single-parent families is a potent factor in the increased need for out-of-home care.

"It is mothers who usually head single-parent families and the wages of these working mothers are half those of fathers, and this gap seems to be increasing," said Dr. Canning.

A large number of mothers, the brief states, cannot find adequate, or in many cases, any child care arrangements. Whatever their marital status, substantial numbers of women are employed in spite of, not because of, child care facilities.

The importance of good quality day care was stressed with emphasis on the need to give day care workers more professional status.

The brief recommended that:

- an operational, permanent advisory board of the ministry be set up, capable of suggesting a fundamental, coherent plan for Day Care;
- greater priority be given to Day Care in provincial spending;
- an advisory board be established to investigate a system of certification for Day Care personnel;
- regulations regarding programs be expanded;
- a team of regional resource personnel be set up to advise Day Care personnel; and
- information services be expanded.

## The Mount Playhouse Lives!

Rehearsals will soon be in full swing for the 1983 season of the university's popular dinner/theatre/cabaret which chalked up attendance records last summer.

Once again, starting June 30th, the Pub will be the scene of good theatre, combined with food and wine and musical entertainment. It was a combination that worked last summer and, with a few lessons learned from the 1982 season, planners expect this year's playhouse to be even better.

Some familiar faces will be seen again — Mary Clancy, Peter Schwenger, Al Edwards, Dilly MacFarlane and Claudette Sapp. Musical director will once again be Bob Leblanc with the well-known piano duo Allen Ley and Mary Reynolds entertaining the customers following the theatre presentation.

There will be three stage managers, Marial Mosher, Margaret McCarthy and John O'Malley with stage design by Jon Murray and special effects by George Gabor.

Playhouse Director Renate Usmiani is confident that the 1983 season will be a sell-out so watch the local press for details of the program and opening of the box office at the Mount. Don't be disappointed this year — book early!

### DEGREES continued from page 1

Anita (Rosenblum) Dubinsky, B.Sc., native of Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, is an executive member of the Canadian Human Rights Foundation, the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, United Way of Halifax (and the only woman to have served as president of that organization), and actively involved in the Nova Scotia School Board Association, the Sisterhood of Beth Israel Synagogue and the Black Cultural Center of Nova Scotia.

Always deeply involved in human rights activities, she participates in women's concerns such as pensions and health, and serves on the YWCA Long-Range Planning Committee and the Halifax School Board.

In 1979 she was chairperson on an enquiry appointed by the government of New Brunswick to deal with human rights issues.

Dubinsky also has a background in broadcasting, having produced and moderated a weekly radio program in Sydney, Nova Scotia, called "Teen Talk", a youth discussion forum on current events.

She has had the distinction of being the only Jewish woman in Canada to address a Roman Catholic Retreat (at St. Joseph's Hospital, Glace Bay).

A lifetime supporter of the State of Israel, she developed a successful campaign in Halifax for scholarships for students in Israel where high school education requires tuition.

Dubinsky is married to Mr. Justice J. Louis Dubinsky and has two children.

Roy Bonisteel, journalist and broadcaster, is host of the award-winning CBC current affairs program "Man Alive" which deals with morality, ethics, social, political and religious issues. This unique program won the B'nai B'rith Human Rights Award in 1976; the International Rehabilitation Film Award in 1977; the prestigious Gabriel Award in 1978 and AC-TRA's Best TV Host Award in 1979.



Anita (Rosenblum) Dubinsky

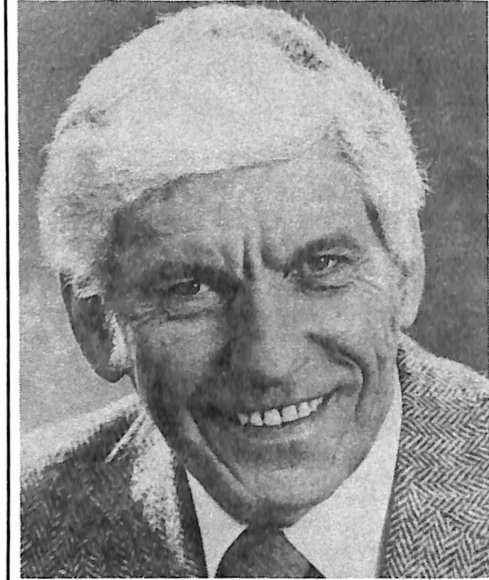
Bonisteel strives to make his program a philosophical challenge, believing that most people have a spiritual dimension waiting to be tapped.

Born in Trenton, Ontario, he began his career as a print journalist and switched to radio in the early 1950's.

In 1965 he went to Vancouver to produce Checkpoint and Dateline for the United Church of Canada and two years later moved to Toronto to head the radio operation of the Anglican, Roman Catholic and United Churches on a national basis. When he resigned in 1970 he had already been hosting "Man Alive" for three years.

Bonisteel has received three honorary doctorates from Laurentian University, Queen's University and University of Windsor.

He lives with his wife, Jane, on a farm in the Bay of Quinte area of Ontario where his family has lived for generations.



Roy Bonisteel

## Scientist/Journalist

The APICS Natural Resources Committee is organizing a workshop on "Enhancing Understanding and the Journalists" to be held at the Technical University of Nova Scotia, Halifax on Saturday, April 16, 1983.

This arises out of recurring situations wherein attempts by the scientific community to communicate its concerns on public policy issues is rarely wholly satisfactory, but rather more often than not, full of misleading quotations and misunderstandings.

Since the communication media is the interface between the scientist and the public on these matters, the workshop will bring together members of APICS and some eminent journalists to discuss the problems that arise in such instances.

To focus attention and provide a basis for discussion, a background paper on "The Budworm Controversy — a Case Study" has been prepared and will be circulated beforehand. Note that the budworm debate is not itself the issue — only a case in point.

To be a useful exercise, attendance will be limited to 40 scientists with another 10 interested persons, including journalists. The panelists who will be in attendance are: Ralph Surette, R. O. Fournier, William March, and David Malcom.



WE GET LETTERS: Since January 1983, Dr. E. Margaret Fulton has signed more than 3,000 letters for Project One mini \$1 campaign — many of them answering letters which accompany donations of \$5 and more. Shown above are the Mount's development officer (seated) Lynn Theriault discussing some of the responses with alumnae records clerk and part-time student Shirley Baker.

## Network Slowly Building

Contributions to the Mount's dollar campaign continue to come in steadily by every mail and have now reached \$35,000.

A new series of press releases has been sent out to women journalists and editors and to women's organizations across the country, giving the latest information on the campaign.

### A GIFT

Many women are sending ten dollars, rather than just one, saying they want to compensate for those who can't contribute. Others say their donations represent a gift "from the whole family".

One donor, whose mother attended the Mount Academy back around 1914, said that the influences of the Mount on her mother's life "were passed on to me and my two sisters mainly in the form of being independent, strong-willed and considerate ... the standard of goodness has counted for much in our lives."

The names of the many organizations and individual women who have responded are being catalogued and the information will be accessible to the women's network. When compiled the resource will be the most up-to-date in the country and Dr. E. Margaret Fulton looks on the project "as our first installment to pay off our debt to the thousands of Canadian women who are sending in their dollars

to help us."

The campaign has been an enormous success in terms of making the university known to women across Canada. The women's network which has resulted could really become a force to be reckoned with in the field of women's education.

### BOOST

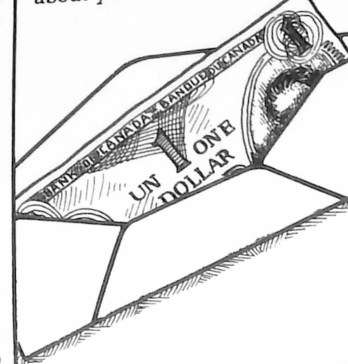
The project gained a wonderful boost from the huge Women's Day Dinner held by the Toronto Coalition for Women and also from a short item carried in the Homemakers Magazine.

Articles in the Ottawa Citizen, the Globe and Mail and in the various newsletters sent out by the many organizations contacted have helped in the project. Nurses, teachers and other Canadian university women faculty have been very supportive.

### NO LINKS

Dr. Fulton said she has been amazed by this kind of response, particularly from those outside the region who have no previous links with the university.

Typical is a note accompanying a donation from a Vancouver woman who said, "I've been sending contributions to educational institutions in the U.S. which I attended. Now I feel I should be donating closer to home. Well, I guess Halifax is not real close, but it feels right. Maybe you'll send me some information on Mount Saint Vincent as I really know nothing about your university."



A Toronto woman wrote, "I wondered why I wanted to sup-

port a woman's university. Initially it was a gut reaction. After reflection it still is."

And from a London, Ontario woman, "Please keep up the good work. I love men but I know that women are our most undeveloped resource. I'm glad that we have at least one university for women and you're it. But we do need more."

### PRECIOUS

Even women strapped financially have offered their precious dollars. A Calgary woman said, "I'm sending my dollar right away and I plan to send more. It really is all I can afford right now. Good luck." Another, an unwed mother of a boy of nine, from Alberta wrote: "Times are too tough for me to get an education and support my son at the same time. I would have loved to do something with myself." She sent \$2.

And from Nova Scotia an 85 year-old retired teacher sent \$25 with a note saying that while she had worked all her life it was during a period when salaries were small and pensions minimal. She wished she could contribute more.

Donations have come from surprising quarters too, such as a man from San Francisco who said, "I saw a little story about your problems so here's a little help from me. I'm poor and jobless, but I wish you luck in your endeavours."

### A PLACE

Dr. Fulton said the response to the campaign really indicates women want a place of their own in post-secondary education. "You know operating a small university like this isn't easy these days and sometimes the problems make you wonder if it's worth the effort. Reading some of the letters we've received from our campaign contributors, though, makes us even more certain it is. Women in this country are telling us they want us here. And that really says something when you realize that many of those supporters will never set foot on this campus."

Currently, the university's development office is contacting about 1,600 parishes through the Catholic Women's League. The office is also in the process of putting a mailing together which will go to several hundred convents of the many religious orders in Canada. In this way it's hoped to reach the broad base of Catholic women in the country with flyers being placed in schools, hospitals and parishes.

The dollar campaign began late last Fall and will continue into 1984 in an effort to raise money for scholarships and bursaries for mature women and research into women's issues.



Jossey Bass Publishers has announced the publication of a book edited by Dr. Norman Uhl of the Education Department in its New Directions for Institutional Research series. Entitled *Using Research for Strategic Planning*, it describes new roles for institutional researchers in strengthening the process and outcomes of strategic planning and institutional decision making.

The nine chapters were authored by both Canadian and U.S. researchers including two by Dr. Uhl. Dr. Uhl's last book *Identifying Institutional Goals*, which he co-authored with Richard Peterson in 1977, was recently selected in a study sponsored by the National Institute of Education as one of the books which made the most significant contributions to higher education in the 1970's.

Dr. Uhl also has been recently nominated by the Association for Institutional Research to serve on its Executive Board as member-at-large. This international organization meets in Toronto this year.

Sister Patricia Mullins will be attending a meeting of Atlantic Deans of Arts and Science at Memorial University, St. John's, Newfoundland in April. In May she will be going to the National Conference on Women in Science sponsored by the Society for Canadian Women in Science and Technology, at the University of British Columbia. On behalf of President Fulton, Sister Patricia will attend the International Federation of Catholic Universities 14th General Assembly in August at St. Michael's, Toronto.

Karen Alexander, a third-year biology major at the Mount, shared the Best Paper Award with Acadia University student Peggy Crawford at the 14th Atlantic Universities Undergraduate Biological Conference held at Memorial University last month.

This was a first for the Mount and Alexander said she was surprised and "couldn't believe it."

## Usmiani Honored

Just another end-of-the-year society banquet? Hardly! Not when it comes to Mount's English Society, and particularly when those attending the affair include such Medieval celebrities as Sir John of Gaunt, Saint Francis of Assisi, Chaucer's enigmatic Prioress, the King and Queen of the Underworld, The Black Death personified, various fair damsels and worthy knights, and assorted lowlife and vermin.

It was a truly gala event, highlighted by beautiful costumes, authentic Medieval dishes presented with all appropriate fanfare, and of course, the Merrie Tournament — Tilting at the Ring, Capering Conteste and Imbibing at Length. A presentation of Chaucer's *The Pardoner's Tale* delighted and instructed the diverse assembly as morality was overcome by hilarity.

Between courses, a gift was presented to English Professor Renate Usmiani, recognizing her 25 years of teaching service to the university. Attired as the humble Saint Francis of Assisi, Usmiani, in keeping with her assumed persona, responded as the saintly Francis would have done — in impeccable Latin.

The revelry continued until the wee hours when the merry-makers had played themselves out. Not long before that, however, a Medieval conga line was reported to have been made a brief appearance at the Caribbean Society Dance being held in the adjacent Multipurpose Room. As one might assume, "A guid tyme wasse hade bye alle", and plans for a possible Russian banquet for 1984 are now being discussed. It's just a matter of lining up the gypsies and the dancing bears!

### TO ALL STUDENTS.

The students of Marillac wish you the best of luck on your exams!

Les étudiants de la Résidence Marillac vous souhaite tous bonne chance dans vos examens!

## Research Funding Has Grown

External funding for sponsored research at the Mount is showing substantial growth, with an increase of 22 per cent over the total for the previous year. A total of \$558,635 has been awarded this year and applies to research in virtually every sector of the university. The greatest increases have come from the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council, up a healthy 220 per cent, and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, 156 per cent. Support from other agencies declined.

The university also generated another \$446,268 in other projects including \$200,000 from the Canadian International Development Agency for the Mount Saint Vincent University-Malawi Linkage Project in Home Economics; \$20,000 from the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace to be used for the Nutritional Recuperation of Children Project in the Dominican Republic; \$100,000 from the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission for the Life Planning and Learning Centre; and \$53,000 from the National Museums for the Art Gallery.

It's only nine years since the Mount set out on a program to increase the research productivity of its faculty. Since that time there has been a tremendous increase in the number of research grants obtained from outside sources. In 1974 research funding amounted to \$13,000, while this year it is more than half a million dollars.

## Senate News

At its February 28 meeting, Senate approved the deletion of German 192, 193, 291, and 402; and Spanish 402, and changes in prerequisites for Psychology 209 and Chemistry 201, and received for information various other curriculum changes.

At the request of the Faculty Association, Senate considered and approved the creation of an *ad hoc* committee to be elected by faculty to investigate the various appeals procedures

used in academic settings, with particular attention to the issues of our *ad hoc* three-person appeal structure and lack binding arbitration following successful appeal, and with the goal of initiating changes in the procedures outlined in the Faculty Manual. The committee will submit its report to Senate by September 30, 1983.

In an attempt to foster co-operation between the university and industry, Senate passed the following motions:

Moved that Senate request the Committee on Research and Publications to co-ordinate with the deans and chairpersons the development of appropriate policies, procedures, and guidelines at the department level for managing industrial interactions so that industrially-sponsored activities are accepted under the terms and conditions which retain continued excellence in academic programs and an optimum degree of freedom in scholarly activities.

Moved that Senate request the Committee on Research and Publications to assess and report on the impact of such industrially-supported research and of technological assistance activities on the university's academic programs and to recommend any adjustments that may be required or in the policies, procedures and guidelines by which they are governed.

Moved that Senate instruct CARPT to examine and recommend any modifications in the criteria for evaluation of faculty that would recognize and encourage technology transfer activities through contract research and, in general, by accepting technological assistance activities which benefit departmental programs as evidence of service to society and the university.

Moved that Senate request that the Research Office ensure that prices charged for research and technical assistance represent fair value to clients and reflect the full cost of performing work.

Moved that Senate request the Research Office to undertake in co-operation with other universities a study of the financially independent, though university-owned, corporation to assist personnel in marketing of commercial services in consulting, program management and technology licensing.

Senate elected honorary degree candidates for the 1984 convocations.

Senate passed a motion from the Nominations Committee that the election of faculty members to Senate be completed by a mail ballot.

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