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MOUNT SAINT VINCENT UNIVERSITY

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## Stuart named new dean for humanities, sciences

Dr. Reginald Stuart has been appointed Dean of Humanities and Sciences at the Mount for a five-year term beginning July 1.

He succeeds Sister Patricia Mullins who is retiring.

Stuart, an historian, has taught at the University of Prince Edward Island for 20 years and, since 1982, has served as chairman of the history department.

Named Outstanding Scholar for 1983 by UPEI, Stuart has an impressive record of research and publications. His research grants have included successive two-year grants from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, a grant from the Humanities Research Council for the publication of his first book, and a research grant from the American Philosophical Society.

Over the past 10 years, Stuart has published four books and 13 refereed essays, and has delivered 22 professional papers and public lectures. He was recently commissioned to write the history of the Certified General Accountants Association of Canada.

In 1983, Stuart was the delegate for Prince Edward Island on an External Affairs and NATO-sponsored academic study tour to the headquarters of NATO and the European Economic Community in Brussels, and to United Nations disarmament talks in Geneva.

In addition to his scholarly activities, Stuart has served as president of the



*Reginald Stuart*

Atlantic Association of Historians, as a commentator on American affairs for the CBC, and as assistant editor and book review editor for the Canadian Review of Studies in Nationalism. He has also reviewed books for Thomson Newspapers, the Vancouver Sun and the Atlantic Provinces Book Review.

Born in Vancouver, Stuart received his BA and MA from the University of British Columbia. He obtained his PhD from the University of Florida in Gainesville.

## 1988-89 operating budget approved

Improved salary levels for university employees and increased funds for library acquisitions are major priorities for the Mount's 1988-89 operating budget.

The budget, which was approved by the Board of Governors on April 21, will see expenditures for the current fiscal year increase by 13.5 per cent over last year, and income by a corresponding 14 per cent.

In her report to the board, Lois Dyer Mann, vice-president (administration), said that improving salary levels is important because salaries have fallen below those in similar-sized institutions in the Maritimes.

Library acquisitions will see a 27 per cent increase in the new fiscal year.

In attempting to prepare a balanced budget while responding to the most urgent needs, the budget committee was able to reduce last year's operating deficit by 60 per cent to a projected \$78,388.

## Notes from the board

Dr. Judith Newman, education, was promoted to the rank of professor by the Board of Governors at its recent meeting. Newman's promotion is notable, and perhaps unique in Canada, because she is a part-time faculty member.

In other board news, university governors approved Senate's recommendation to grant departmental status to the subject areas of philosophy and political science and to the programs of tourism and hospitality management and gerontology.



*A new scholarship for women in science has been established in honor of Professor Emeritus Lillian Wainwright.*

## New \$ for book purchases

Library acquisitions funds will be boosted by more than 44 per cent in 1988-89 -- to nearly \$210,000 -- as a result of budget increases and donations.

In addition to an increase \$35,000 in the budget, the new money comes from Operation SOS, the library's operating budget and a donation from Petro-Canada.

Operation SOS, an annual fund drive campaign of the development office, has surpassed its \$20,000 goal. To date, \$21,641 have been raised for library books.

A \$10,000 sum has been reallocated from the library's operating budget to acquisitions.

Petro-Canada will donate \$5,000 for the purchase of books for the women's studies collection.

Last year, the \$129,000 allotted in the budget for acquisitions was supplemented by an additional \$10,000 approved by the Board of Governors.

*Wainwright is professor emeritus*

## Four well-known Mount personalities retire

**Dr. Lillian Wainwright** has been named Professor Emeritus of Biology on the eve of her retirement from the Mount.

The honor recognizes the dedication, loyalty and generous service that characterized her 31-year career as a researcher, teacher and colleague. Perhaps her greatest contributions were to the students who were inspired by her quiet promptings and high expectations.

Outside the classroom, Dr. Wainwright was instrumental in establishing the faculty association, and served on all major university committees and Senate for many years.

Throughout the years, her curiosity and attention to detail have sustained a productive research career.

Dr. Wainwright intends to continue her research in molecular genetics and biological timeclocks, in collaboration with her husband. For 18 years this research has been supported by ongoing operating grants from the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council.

### Sister Patricia Mullins

In praising **Sister Patricia Mullins**, retiring as Dean of Humanities and Sciences this summer, Dr. Peter Schwenger says, "A kind of alchemy . . . has allowed her to transmute this lead (daily routine and responsibilities) to gold. And recalling that alchemy was often the symbol of a spiritual quest, we see that she has done this by bringing to her vocation as a dean the same spirit that characterizes her vocation as a Sister of Charity."

Sister Patricia taught high school for 14 years after graduating from the Mount. She earned MSc and PhD degrees in inorganic chemistry from the University of Notre Dame, and returned to teach at her alma

mater in 1968.

Her very productive career includes publishing and presenting numerous papers, playing an active role in professional and learned societies and on university committees. Her research is in the area of the structure of tin complexes.

Sister Patricia, who was named dean in 1979, leaves the Mount to take up duties as treasurer for the Sisters of Charity.

### Professor Joan Ryan

**Joan Ryan** has taught in the Mount's Department of Office Administration since 1974. Her most recent activities have included planning for the department's 60th reunion and seeing the Office Automation Centre become a reality.

Ryan taught high school business courses in Cape Breton and Japan for several years. In 1969 she became dean of women at St. Francis Xavier University.

Ryan holds a secretarial diploma from Mount Saint Bernard College, a BComm from StFX and an MA from Columbia University.

### Art Landry

**Art Landry** also retires this summer, after 14 years as maintenance supervisor. Growing up as an only son with six sisters in rural Cape Breton was good training for the mostly-women environment at the Mount. He left home at 17 for a carpenter's job in Sydney, and hasn't looked back since. Art first arrived at the Mount in 1967.

Like his father before him, Art has passed on the carpenter's tradition. Landry's son, Glenn, has been a carpenter in the Mount's maintenance department since 1982.

## Construction project picks up speed this month

With the campus relatively vacant now, builders are moving quickly to speed construction of the Fulton Communications Centre. Their schedule was slowed to cause as little inconvenience as possible during the final weeks of classes and examinations.

Traffic flow and parking around the site will change almost daily, reports Paul Reyno, director of physical plant. The area will be closed to all traffic for a short period after Convocation when large precast concrete slabs are applied to the building. Those inviting guests to the campus should caution them that parking may be difficult.

To allow for construction of the link between the new building and Seton, the vending machine room has been closed and machines moved to the Saceteria. New hours have been posted for the Saceteria, which will be open Monday to Friday only. Until May 13, light service will be offered from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. From May 16, full service will be offered from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Occasional disruptions in telephone and electrical service may occur.

If those planning special events or conducting research feel that power outages may interfere, they should contact Paul Reyno.

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## Grants and fellowship available for researchers

Researchers are invited to apply for two grant programs and a fellowship in England. Information and application deadlines for the programs, summarized below, are available from the research office, ext. 350.

### **Canadian Ethnic Studies Program**

Sponsor: Secretary of State Department, Multiculturalism.

This program encourages and supports scholarly research relating to important aspects of cultural pluralism, with particular emphasis on Canadian society. Areas of research include the humanities, social sciences, communications and fine arts. The five components of the program are:

- research grants in ethnic studies
- visiting lectureships
- Canadian ethnic studies conferences
- multicultural studies fellowships
- endowment assistance for ethnic chairs

### **Writing and Publications Program**

Sponsor: Secretary of State Department,

### **Multiculturalism.**

This grant program supports writing, translation, publishing and promotional projects which will contribute to an understanding of and appreciation for Canadian multiculturalism.

### **Benians Fellowship**

Sponsor: St. John's College, Cambridge

The fellowship, which is offered annually, will afford a scholar the opportunity to undertake study and research as a member of St. John's College and to make contacts with scholars in Great Britain.

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