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Mount Saint Vincent University

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Presidential search committee struck

At its November 16 meeting, the Mount's Board of Governors approved the establishment of a Presidential Search Committee, charged with the task of identifying a candidate for the Office of the President and recommending this candidate to the Board for approval.

Membership of the search committee will include the Chancellor; the Chair and two other members of the Board of Governors; one member of the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity selected by the Congregation; two members of faculty selected by faculty; one faculty member of Senate selected by Senate; one student; one alumna; and one member of the administrative staff.

The initial appointment will be for ive years starting July 1, 1991.

The Board also approved the establishment of an ad hoc committee to monitor Learning and Leading funds, with responsibility for the allocation of funds as designated by donors and to ensure consistency with the purposes set out for the campaign.

With total pledges now exceeding \$3.5 million, the president recommended to the Board that the committee be mandated to monitor designation of gifts as they are received, suggest general policies for campaign endowment funds, and prepare an annual report for the campaign.

Other business included approval on a trial basis of male visitors to residences (to

be reported more fully in an upcoming issue of Campus Connection); approval of a tender for installing an air-handling system in Rosaria Centre, with work to proceed immediately; and approval of a policy on Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) for the university community.

Copies of the AIDS policy will be circulated to all university departments, and further details will be available in Campus Connection in January 1990. The policy will affect all members of the university community. Because of the important implications of this policy, an ad hoc advisory committee will be established to make recommendations to the president with regard to AIDS education on campus and procedural guidelines.



Available at local Cleves outlets or the athletics/recreation office, Rosaria Centre

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Jean Hartley has been named associate dean (academic advising) as recommended by the Senate Committee on Academic Policy and Planning. This is a secondment from her position as acting director of the Centre for Continuing Education and director of summer school. In her new position, Hartley will undertake a comprehensive review of academic advising at the Mount. She will also assist the deans and the Centre for Continuing Education in the ongoing academic advising of students. continue to manage scheduling for summer school and provide academic liaison for DUET (Distance University Education via television). The position of associate dean (academic advising) is aimed at developing a more comprehensive approach to academic advising that will benefit both students and faculty. It has been established for a threeyear period and will be reviewed at the end of the second year.

Faculty are urged to discuss any concerns or suggestions related to academic advising with Jean Hartley who is now located in Room 313, Seton Academic Centre. She can still be reached at extension 324.

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Dr. Joyce Kennedy has taken over from Jean Hartley as acting director of the Centre for Continuing Education. Dr. Kennedy has been with the Centre for 10 years, and has held the position of assistant director since 1980. She will also continue to manage the Life Planning and Learning Centre.

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Dr. Katy Bindon, vice-president (academic), and international student advisor Jane Reid attended the recent World University Services of Canada (WUSC) annual assembly in Ottawa. Dr. Bindon attended in her capacity as national treasurer of WUSC's board of directors, and Reid as

chair of the Mount's WUSC Committee.

The WUSC annual assembly brings together institutional, alumnae and local committee members to exchange information of their development projects, share fundraising ideas, and elect directors to the WUSC board. Dr. Bindon was re-elected treasurer for a third term.

"The assembly was most worthwhile," commented Reid. "I particularly enjoyed the opportunity to meet and exchange ideas with committee members from other Atlantic region universities."

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Author Dorothy Perkyns, who has taught several non-credit programs on writing books for children through the Mount's Centre for Continuing Education, was presented with the Geoffrey Bilson Award for historical fiction during the recent Children's Book Week. Perkyns won for her novel Rachel's Revolution (Lancelot Press), the story of a young girl caught up in the Loyalist immigration to Nova Scotia from Boston. Following the presentation, Perkyns talked about her book and her childhood in wartime London. Perkyns' talk was part of the Writers-in-Schools Program sponsored by the Writers Federation of Nova Scotia and funded by the N.S. Department of Tourism and Culture. ...

Krista Johnson, a BSc '86 Mount graduate, has been awarded the John Aldous Prize in Pharmacology by Dalhousie University. The prize, named for the former head of the pharmacology department, is awarded to an undergraduate student with the highest aggregate in a general pharmacology course. Johnson has been accepted into the Master's program in pharmacology at Dalhousie University.

Co-operative education offices decentralized

In order to establish closer links to academic departments, co-operative education offices have been decentralized. The administrative restructuring, which is in place for a three-year trial period, places management of co-operative education more directly with the academic departments. Dr. Susan Clark, dean of human and professional development, has taken on overall responsibility for co-operative education while the position of director of co-operative education is frozen for the trial period. "The responsibilities of the administrative co-operative education coordinators are initially unchanged. They now report directly to the chairs of the academic departments instead of the director of cooperative education," explains Dr. Clark.

The administrative co-operative education co-ordinators have moved their offices closer to the academic departments

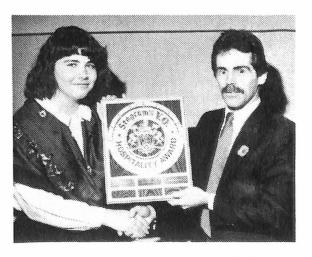
New book on literacy

Literacy and Living: The Literate Lives of <u>Three Adults</u>, a book by Mount education faculty member Dr. Lorri Neilsen, has recently been published by Heinemann Education Books, Inc. of Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Dr. Neilsen's book offers an intimate look at the lives of three adults in her home community of Hubbards, N.S., exploring how their work, family, relationships and perceptions of themselves shape, and are shaped by, their reading and writing.

Dr. Neilsen has written magazine and newspaper articles, professional papers, educational materials, and television scripts on the topic of literacy. She is also a consultant and speaker to corporations and government on writing, reading and information management.

<u>Literacy and Living</u> is available at the Mount bookstore for \$21.50. with which they work. Marg Muise, cooperative education co-ordinator for public relations and business administration, is now in Room 22, Seton Annex (telephone changed to ext. 375), and Susan Roberts, coop co-ordinator for home economics, is in the space vacated by the library, second floor, Evaristus. Ernie Whynott continues to work out of Marywood.

The restructuring was recommended by the recent Co-operative Education Review Committee's report to the Committee on Academic Policy and Planning, as a way of maintaining increased co-op enrolment and excellent programs. The report also recommended that no immediate expansion take place beyond the current programs -business administration, home economics, public relations, and tourism and hospitality management -- in order not to stretch financial and human resources.



Randy Corey, district manager for Joseph E Seagram and Son Limited, recently presented the Seagrams V.O. Hospitality Award to Susan Morton, a third year student in the Mount's tourism and hospitality management program. The \$500 award is given annually to a student in the food and beverage concentration.

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CAPITAL CAMPAIGN BULLETIN LEARNING AND LEADING

The Learning and Leading phonathon was supported by various local merchants who provided prizes and snack foods for volunteer callers and clerks. Donations came from the following merchants:

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Maritime Beverages Ltd. (Bill MacNeill) Mr. Donut (Wayne Cousins) Greco Pizza (Charles Poirier) Park Victoria Women's Fitness Club (Odille Lefort) French Pastry (Lynn Delvallet) Mary Brown's Fried Chicken (Troy Beazley) Second Cup (Wendy Leopold) Stone House Publishing Inc. (J. Daniel Sargeant) Silver Spoon Restaurants Ltd. (Deanna Silver) La Creme Boutique (Donna Bales)

Pizza Delight (Doug Gallupe) Vidco Villa (Greg Boudreau)

First teleconference received at Communications Centre

The E. Margaret Fulton Communications Centre was the receive-site for its first satellite teleconference recently. The Mount's DUET (Distance University Education via Television) arranged the link to a teleconference originating at the College of DuPage in Illinois, on the topic of CD ROM, a reference data base mainly used for libraries. More than a dozen senior librarians from the Mount, Dalhousie and Saint Mary's universities and The Nova Scotia Agricultural College attended the 90minute program in the communications centre's project presentation room.

"This is the first time that the room has been used for its prime function," notes DUET manager Chris Beckett, explaining that with a permanent receiving room as part of DUET's new facilities, teleconferences can be arranged without conflicting with regularly scheduled classroom broadcasts.

"I hope that academic departments will consider receiving satellite teleconferences for faculty and students. This technology is so user-friendly that I foresee a time when individuals will simply book the room for a teleconference, go in there and turn on the TV," says Beckett. "Teleconferencing is cost-effective compared to sending delegates to a conference," he says. Site license fees for educational material rarely exceed \$200, and usually include local re-broadcast and distribution rights, and a limited number of conference kits. Most satellite conferences include an interractive element: members of the distant audience can, after the delivery of the lecture, phone or fax in questions.

The Mount does not yet have a permamently-mounted satellite dish, and satellite rental is about \$500 per occasion. Still, says Beckett, "the room is all set up, wired and basically ready to go," adding, "I'm hopeful that before too long we'll move toward the purchase of a permanent dish."

Besides its cost-effectiveness, teleconferencing "gives you access to scholars and conferences of national and international importance," says Beckett. It makes available the most up-to-date information on many timely topics.

Mount librarian Lucian Bianchini explains that the CD ROM conference coincided with the library's decision to purchase additional data bases of reference continued on page 8



Mount students in the tourism and hospitality management degree program were recently awarded certificates and pins for completing the Canadian Restaurant and Food Services Association's National Sanitation Training Program. With the students is faculty member Patricia Glencross (front row, far left) and presenter Gary Moulton (back row, centre), public health inspector.

Representatives of employee groups for 1989/90

The following members of the Mount community are executive members or representatives of groups representing Mount employees:

Faculty Association

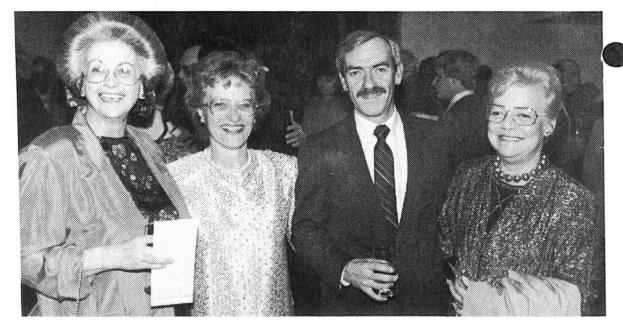
president: Dr. Barnett Richling vice-president: Dr. Susan Drain executive secretary: Glen Flemming recording secretary: Dr. Chris Ferns treasurer: Barbara Casey member at large: Olga Scibior

Administrative and Professional Association

president: Chris Beckett vice-president: Dr. Joyce Kennedy secretary: Susan McIsaac treasurer: June Lumsden members-at-large: John Ravlo, Lynne Theriault, Pat Butler <u>Staff Association</u> president: Sandra Shepard vice-president: Gene Greene secretary: Wendy Mclean treasurer: Bill Morris

Operating Engineers (representing housekeeping and maintenance employees) Glenn Landry Nancy Hunt

<u>CBRTandGW (representating food services</u> <u>employees)</u> Sharon O'Donnell J. Dale Migel



Marie Kelly (left), the Mount's physical plant co-ordinator, was an organizer for the third annual meeting of the Eastern Region of the Association of Physical Plant Administrators of Universities and Colleges (ERAPPA), held recently in Halifax. Here she chats with delegates (left to right) Dorothy Beddell, attending from Pennsylvania State University; the Honourable Terry Donohoe, N.S. Minister of Government Services; and Neita Castle, physical plant director at the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design.

One hundred and eighty delegates, including a record 72 spouses, attended the conference from the eastern United States and Canada.

NSERC offers undergraduate student research awards

Students looking for an interesting summer job should consider applying for a Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) Undergraduate Student Research Award. NSERC has established three of these awards to "stimulate the interest of undergraduate students in research by providing them with valuable experience in a university laboratory, and to encourage these students to undertake graduate studies." Valued at \$800 per month and normally supplemented by the university, they are tenable for a four-month period, from May through August.

To be eligible, candidates must be registered as full-time students in an undergraduate honours or major program in the natural sciences or engineering. During tenure of the awards students must not have more than four terms of academic work remaining for completion of their bachelor's degree. Nor should they have started a graduate studies program.

This year for the first time, NSERC has launched a program of Targetted Undergraduate Awards for Women Students aimed at women embarking on a career in engineering or the physical sciences. Criteria for eligibility are the same as for Undergraduate Research Awards.

Application forms and guidelines are available from the research office, Room 128, E. Margaret Fulton Communications Centre. The University's deadline for receipt of applications is December 20, 1989.

Mount United Way campaign pledges highest ever

The Mount's 1989 United Way campaign has been a huge success. To date, the fount community has pledged more than \$16,300, which is 34 percent more than this year's \$12,000 campaign goal and \$5,000 more than last year's total. Participation rate has also reached an all-time high of 62 percent, a 10 percent increase over this year's target.

"This year's campaign has been more successful than any previous United Way campaign on campus," says campaign chair Judith Murray, the Mount's institutional researcher. "The Mount community has really rallied around this campaign, and their generosity has been overwhelming. Participation was great from all sectors." Murray also credits the commitment of committee members. "They've worked so hard to help make this possible."

Pledges are still being accepted, but should be made as soon as possible. For more information contact Judith Murray at ext. 459.



Saint Mary's Basilica Spring Garden Road, Halifax

Students/Seniors \$8 General \$10

Tickets are available at the Art Gallery and the Centre for Continuing Education. Mount Saint Vincent University; from choir members or at the door.

The Seton Cantata Choir is sponsored through the Centre for Continuing Education. Mount Saint Vincent University.

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Teleconference contined from page 4 material. "We were considering CD ROM, which is very suitable for large information sources like catalogues and indexes. At the moment we have several CD ROMs for staff use. We felt that this conference would be very useful in helping us to decide." He notes that "the conference confirmed the library's decision to go ahead with the purchase of additional CD ROMs in accordance with the demand that exists." Chris Beckett says that

"teleconferences are becoming more and more common, material is becoming available on more and more topics, and now the Mount is really in a good position to receive them. Ultimately, we would like to see a time when conferences will also be originating from this campus, with all the visibility, prestige, etc. that implies."

Students take note: some dates to remember

The weeks from now till Christmas break are a busy time for students at the Mount. Amid the hustle and bustle, here are some date to remember:

- . Thursday, Dec. 7 Classes end
- . Friday, Dec. 8 Reading Day
- . Saturday, Dec. 9 Exams begin at 9:15 a.m.
- . Wednesday, Dec. 20

Exams end at 4:30 p.m. Dining Hall closes at 6 p.m.

- . Thursday, Dec. 21 Residences close at 4:30 p.m.
- . Tuesday, Jan. 2 University reopens Residences open at 12 noon Dining Hall Meal Plan starts at 12 noon

. Wednesday, Jan. 3 Classes begin Saceteria opens

An immunization reminder from the health office

The health office reminds the Mount community that various immunizations are recommended at regular intervals, for adults as well as for children.

Immunity to tetanus, for example, lessens over time, requiring the need for periodic tetanus toxoid boosters.

To protect against diptheria, a combined adsorbed vaccine known as Td is recommended for adults at 10-year intervals.

> The last issue of Campus Connection this year is December 11, with a deadline of November 29 for all submissions. Campus Connection will resume in January 1990.

Also, all women of child-bearing ag not already vaccinated against rubella should be. (A simple blood test will reveal immunization status.)

All immunizations are available from the health office in Rosaria Centre. For more information call ext. 352.

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