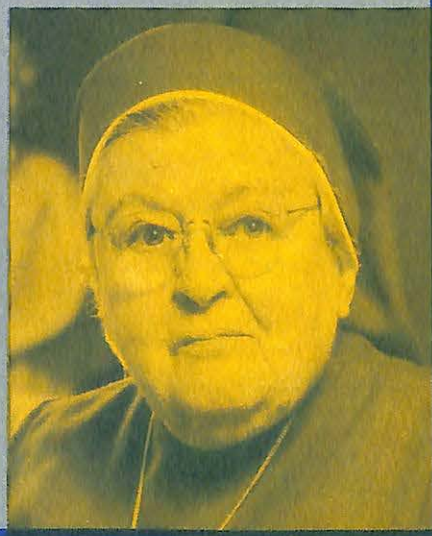
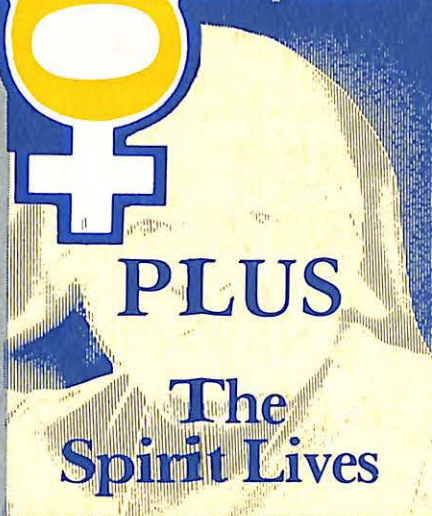


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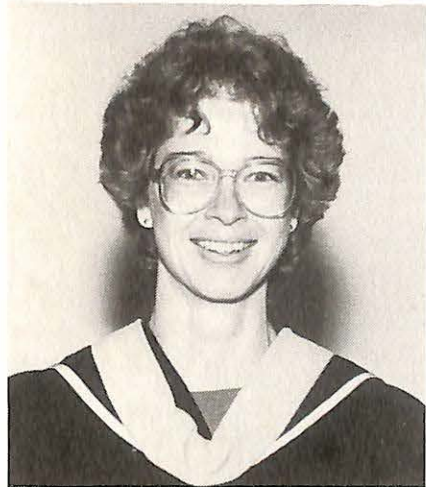
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Editorial

Convocation is always an impressive, as well as important, time at the Mount. Strangers and even friends, cannot help remarking on the special way we seem to do things. In keeping with this edition of Insight Plus, I pass along some information sent to my office earlier this year by Sister Marion MacLeod who thought it interesting enough to share: "Long ago in ancient Greece, when formal education was for the very rich or the very determined, a wise old teacher was approached by a group of noblemen. 'Our sons have completed their studies and it is time for them to return to their homes and live in the style befitting their station. On the morrow, we will hold a great banquet in their honor and expect them to be dressed in their finest garments.' The old man smilingly answered, 'They will be there,' and he added, 'appropriately dressed.'"

"The following day, the banquet hall was filled with royalty and nobility dressed in dazzling jewels and costly finery. Then came the great moment when the students entered with their beloved teacher. A startled cry rose from the crowd, for here were their finest young men dressed, not in the garments of the noble, but in simple sackcloth robes, each carrying a mortar board—the mark of a common workman." "Let me explain," spoke the teacher as he raised his hands for silence. "Your sons are dressed in the clothing of a mason, for their destiny is to build. Some will build cities, some will build lives—perhaps one of them will even build an empire. But all will be builders on the solid foundation of knowledge." "And thus over the years, the cap and gown have become a traditional part of graduation, symbolizing the fact that our young men and women are builders—of their own future—and the future of our world."

While some of the "sackcloth robes" of today have taken on the dazzle so abhorred by the "wise old teacher" perhaps Convocation should always be a time to reflect on the past as well as the future.

—Dulcie Conrad

LETTER FROM ALUMNAE PRESIDENT



Dear fellow alumnae:

It is with great pride and pleasure that I introduce myself to you as your incoming Alumnae Association President. I graduated from the Mount in 1974 with a BSChEc. In 1977, I received a diploma in Special Education from the Nova Scotia Department of Education, and finally, in 1982, received my Masters of Education from Boston College. My years of study at the Mount have left me with a true affection for my alma mater, and I am delighted to have the opportunity to serve the institution that has served me so well.

My past involvement with the Alumnae Association, as chairman of Homecoming in 1979 and most recently as Vice-President and as chairman of the Scholarships and Awards Committee, has made me aware of the valuable contribution made by the alumnae to the Mount, and of the even greater challenges that lie ahead. As incoming president, I am concerned with the future direction and success of our association. These factors are dependent on the active participation of our membership. Each alumna has something to contribute, and that contribution requires involvement.

The leadership of our Past President, Barbara Watt, BA'81, has provided great impetus toward achieving our aims and objectives. I intend to support and follow the committee format set up under Barb's direction in order to continue our growth and development.

I look forward to meeting the newest members of our alumnae association, the graduates of 1983, and to getting to know better the many loyal supporters who have contributed so much to the alumnae over the years.

I thank you in advance for your support in making 1983 a very successful year for us all.

Yours sincerely,
Debbie Pottie Matheson
President

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The university can't provide these deserving women with the financial support they desperately need nor can it fund the many areas of neglected research on women's issues. It is determined to even out the odds and give Mount students equal opportunities to develop their potentials in an environment designed specifically for them. You can help do this by stuffing \$1 and your name in an envelope and sending it to the Mount's development office. Anything over \$5 receives an income tax receipt.



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Convocation '83



More than 450 students of Mount Saint Vincent University received certificates, diplomas or degrees during morning and afternoon Convocations on Sunday, May 8.

A happy occasion, students' faces wreathed in smiles as parents and friends proudly watched the colorful ceremony, it brought the university community together once again in celebration of achievements gained through hard work and dedication by both students and faculty.

Honorary degrees of Doctor of Humane Letters were conferred on Sister Francis d'Assisi, college president from 1954-65; the Honourable Jeanne Sauvé, Speaker of the House of Commons; Halifax human rights advocate Anita Dubinsky and Roy

Bonisteel, award-winning television host of CBC's "Man Alive".

The Governor-General's gold medal for the highest aggregate in the senior year went to Joan Vickie Prior of Eastern Passage, Nova Scotia, who graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Home Economics with Distinction.

Kappa Gamma Pi awards were presented by university President Dr. E. Margaret Fulton to Judith Ann Kavanagh, Bachelor of Arts (Honours) of Halifax and Wendy Marie Connors Davis, Bachelor of Business Administration with Distinction, of Dartmouth.

Outgoing student union president Alice MacKichan of Cleveland, Nova Scotia, who received a Bachelor of Home Econom-

ics and Bachelor of Education in the Integrated Program, and Maria Noreen Elizabeth Richard, of Douglastown, New Brunswick, who was awarded a Bachelor of Child Study degree, were each presented with a special award by the university president for "giving promise of continued loyalty to the university and service to the larger community."

As always, it was a beautiful, sunny Spring day (somebody up there loves us!) and the campus never looked lovelier with Spring flowers at their peak and the lawns smooth and green. Visitors and students alike took time to stroll around the grounds, chatting, hugging, taking photos and offering congratulations.

A day to cherish and remember.



Yellow Rose Ceremony



Ann-Elizabeth Smith, B.Sc.H.Ec., winner of a Mead Johnson of Canada Award in Dietetics.



Nancy Rose, B.Sc.H.Ec., who majored in nutrition, receiving her yellow rose from Sister Greta Conrad.



Home Economics graduates Joella Higgs (left), Alice MacKichan (second from right) and Bonita Nowe (right), all received Canadian Home Economics Association Incentive Awards. Camilla Watts (second from left) was awarded membership in the International Federation of Home Economics.

Twenty-six years ago, home economics students in Saskatchewan decided they would like to have a special ceremony all their own to mark their graduation.

A ring ceremony was born, and has been carried out at universities across Canada at Spring graduations ever since.

At the Mount, an extra touch was added—the yellow rose. Home economics graduates can, if they wish, take part in the Yellow Rose Ceremony, where the rings are given out, and make the following pledge:

In accepting this ring as a symbol of our profession I pledge:

- to demonstrate my competence in the body of knowledge unique to my facet of home economics
- to further the development of human resources through working in conjunction with other disciplines
- to help families and individuals realize a more satisfying life
- and to live creatively in a changing world.

The colour yellow signifies the warmth of hearth and home; the ring is made of gold and is many-faceted to represent the various disciplines of home economics. Another little ceremony is the lighting of candles to represent the colours of the rainbow—the ideal of one body with distinct parts.

Although the ring and the yellow rose do not have to be accepted as part of becoming a graduate in home economics, it is a rather lovely and touching ceremony which adds colour and a little drama to the fact of graduation.

Family Album

Twin sisters Dawn and Margaret Elderkin decided to take their degrees in different disciplines. Dawn (standing, centre) was awarded a Bachelor of Business Administration degree, and Margaret received a Bachelor of Child Study.



Alice Lynne Dossett, who graduated with a Bachelor of Secretarial Arts with Distinction, was a member of the Mount staff, who combined study with a full-time job.



Camilla Watts, posing here with Dr. E. Margaret Fulton, received a Bachelor of Home Economics degree. Her two daughters travelled all the way from Monserrat to be present at her graduation.

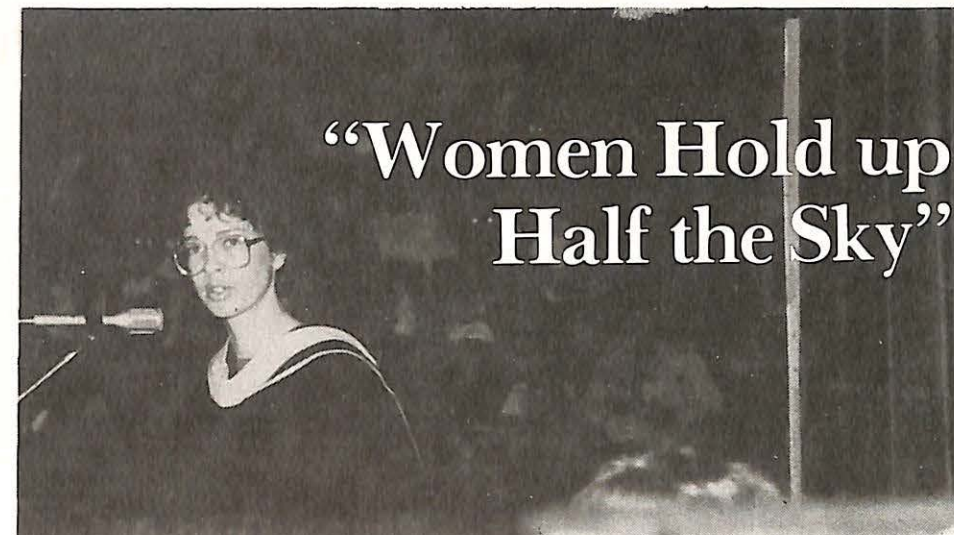


Sheila Marie Rose was one of more than a dozen students who graduated via the Co-operative Education Option. She was awarded a Bachelor of Science in Home Economics.



Three cousins meet at Convocation, (L to R) Debbie Pottie Matheson who graduated from the Mount with a B.Sc. H.Ec. in 1974; Sharon Fisher, Bachelor of Science '83; and Janet Murray, B.A. '56 who is the Immediate Past Chairman of the Mount's Board of Governors.

"Women Hold up Half the Sky"



Valedictorian Joan Vickie Prior, B.Sc.H.Ec., with Distinction.

The following is an edited version of the valedictory given by Joan Prior at the morning Convocation.

Some years ago, I dropped out of another university program totally disillusioned with the processes of "higher education". That was the culmination of a painful two-year experience of being little more than a six digit number: I never had a professor call me by name; I rarely knew the person sitting one chair over. Fortunately for me and my fellow graduates, this is not the case at this university.

On behalf of all Mount students, I thank the faculty members for taking the time to know us as individuals—for acknowledging our desire to be recognized, for identifying our need to be challenged, for allowing us the opportunity to glimpse our own potential. It is through your efforts that we are graduating now, not only knowledgeable in our chosen fields but also more aware of the social and political issues that await us as we leave this protective academic environment.

Unique and diverse

The uniqueness of this university is further reflected by the diversity of the graduates before you. You see the young faces of those men and women who entered their studies directly from high school, confident and decisive about their future. You see the faces of those who have altered the course of their lives by selecting, at midpoint, a change of career. You see those who are mothers and homemakers. You see those who have travelled far from their home countries. You see those who are receiving their second or third degree. (I do admire their stamina!) This is the kind of diversity which has enriched our years of learning; we have gained insights and experiences from each other, we have established friendships which will last far into the future.

Regardless of the differences in age and background, we graduates have all benefited from—in fact, have depended on—the support and encouragement of our fami-

lies—parents, husbands, wives, children. The fact that we sit here today so very proud (and I might add, so very relieved) is due to those at home who have had to tolerate poor meals, inattention, continual demands for "quiet and cooperation", and almost constant grouchiness.

For many of us, at the centre of this support is a mother who has, at one time or another, commended, prodded, comforted, deflated, encouraged, demanded, advised, inspired. Mothers have traditionally been the family members who instill in their children, particularly their daughters, the ambition and desire to go one step further than they themselves were able to go.

Struggle to survive

I also wish to remind you that this graduating class represents a very privileged minority. As we leave a university dedicated to the betterment of women everywhere, perhaps it is appropriate that we consider those women who will never realize the opportunities which lie before us. In our rush to get on with life, to succeed in our chosen careers, we may forget that others must struggle to survive, not from year to year, but from day to day.

Women, as the saying goes, hold up half the sky. However, they bear significantly more than half the burden of Third World underdevelopment. As a whole, rural women in the developing countries account for at least 50% of all food production, and as much as 80% of all agricultural work. They would, I believe, find the demands of western women for more work, more decision making, more responsibility, more independence as quite inconceivable. They shoulder a responsibility that most of us cannot even imagine: yes, these women do hold up half the sky and a great deal more besides.

To say that women and children make up half the population of the world sounds rather obvious. But this is a fact which is all too often ignored by governments and international development agencies which continue to emphasize the role of techno-

logical advancement. Science and technology, no matter how skillfully applied, are not the final determinants of the quality of a society if they do not serve all the people of that society.

The assumption persists that women are somehow the malfunctioning half of the population. What is not realized is that the issue of women's rights is central to the whole process of development. If women are pushed to the margins and denied equal access to education, training, resources, and new ideas, development is deadlocked. It is being held back by half the people.

My question to the graduates is this: "How do you see your university education?" Has it been, for you, merely professional training? Has it meant only the acquisition of knowledge? Is it only a bargaining tool? Or is it your first step, your first contribution, to the betterment of this world?

We have spent years learning how to research, how to analyze, how to put forth ideas. If we use these skills only for personal gain, then I believe we have lost the true meaning of our education. Unless we are involved in development, unless we share our skills, our enthusiasm, our resources, we are not meeting the expectations of this university or of this audience.

Acquisition of knowledge is only part of our role. The knowledge that is acquired must be transmitted, the knowledge that is transmitted must be applied. I contend that we, the women of the privileged minority, have a responsibility to other women of this world.

This university has actively acknowledged its obligation to reach out to others by educating foreign students, by supporting development projects, by becoming involved in the politics of women's rights. It has recognized that development through women and by women can have considerable impact not only on the well-being of the immediate family, but also on the well-being of the entire community.

Re-examine concepts

You will ask: "How do I, a single individual, approach this global problem of women's inequality?" This is indeed the challenge—a challenge that must inspire creative and innovative thinking. It is up to us to question existing methods, to seek new approaches, to re-examine present concepts. We will have to devise the mechanisms, we will have to create the channels that will allow us to share our resources.

Two Canadian women have already devised one such channel: the organization which has grown out of their work is called Match. The objective of the organization is to involve Canadians in development on a direct basis by providing a means of communication and participation through a two-way sharing of knowledge and experience. Drawing upon a talent bank composed of volunteer women from all walks of life across Canada, the organization attempts to match the resources of Canadian

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"Let Our Love Flourish"



Valedictorian Christine Mary Fletcher, B.C.S., with Distinction.

The following is an edited version of the valedictory given by Christene Fletcher at the afternoon Convocation.

Thanks are due to the many people who have helped us reach this point in our lives—our parents who are so proud, so happy, and so broke; our spouses and fiancées; the faculty who have taught us so well; and the many, many friends who have offered us love and patience over the years. All of you together have made this achievement possible, and on behalf of all of us, I wish to say a heartfelt thank you.

There is one special person whom I would like to thank. His name is Ian, and as my fellow Child Study students know, Ian is the little boy I babysit. Although he is only eighteen months old, Ian has a lot in common with us members of the graduating class: he's intelligent, he's always learning new things, and he doesn't have a job!

Why do I wish to thank Ian? It is because when I look at him I see the future, for he and all children are our future although at times I wonder if we realize it. When I look at Ian I am also frightened, for I think of what the world is becoming and I agree with the science fiction writer, Arthur C. Clarke, who said: "This is the first age that's paid much attention to the future, which is a little ironic since we may not have one."

Chased away the rats!

Ian doesn't know yet how lucky he is to have been born in Canada. In 1982 there were 125 million children born into this world. Of that number, 12 million will die by the end of this year, and another 5 million by 1987. About one billion—one billion—children in the world live in coun-

tries where one child in four suffers from malnutrition: where four out of five in rural areas do not have adequate water or sanitation; where two out of five 6-to-11-year-olds do not go to school and where four out of five children have no modern health care. I lived in the South American country of Guyana for four months in 1978 as a member of Canada World Youth, a cross-cultural exchange program, and I can assure you that statistics alone can never adequately convey the depths of suffering that children no older than Ian are being subjected to every day merely because they happened to be born in a country which we have chosen to dismiss as part of the Third World. While I was there I was able to see how some of the statistics manifest themselves. I worked in a weekly malnutrition clinic and held babies while their mothers were told that if their children lived, they would be severely and irreversibly retarded from lack of nutrition in their first few months of life. Children don't go to school because they are forced into work in order to supplement the minute family incomes. And as for medical facilities—well, a good deal of the time I worked in the hospital pediatrics ward was spent chasing away the rats which scampered freely across the floor. And shocking as this may sound, it becomes all the more serious when we remember that Guyana is considered one of the more developed Third World countries.

Being Canadian does not ensure Ian a safe and worry-free life. Ian, like all of us, must daily face the forces which are threatening us: acid rain, the world food shortage, the arms race, nuclear warfare. We live in a world which would rather spend billions of dollars devising means of killing

people than spend millions saving them. It would appear that we have sadly misplaced our priorities, which is serious, for it is our priorities and values which determine the choices and decisions we make.

Take positive action

I have confidence that Ian's parents will always make the best possible choices for him, but I seriously question whether the decisions being made at higher levels will always be the most responsible ones. All of us here today, but especially we graduates who have been given so much training and opportunity, have a responsibility to ensure that those individuals in positions of power make the kind of decisions which will not further endanger the lives of the children of the world. And we have a further responsibility to take positive action and do all we can to right the wrongs ourselves. We cannot put this task aside, for responsibility is not a "thing" which we can pack off in a box marked "To be done someday." Responsibility is a relationship which exists between ourselves and others, a relationship we have to certain situations. Responsibility is one of the notes that emphasizes our humanity.

I challenge you today—everyone here, and especially my fellow graduates—to let the love which is in all of us flourish, flowing out from within and manifesting itself in actions which show that we care and accept responsibility for our fellow human beings. It's a risky proposition to be sure, for letting ourselves love means exposing ourselves to the world, revealing our weakness and vulnerability—but loving and giving will also make our lives worthwhile.

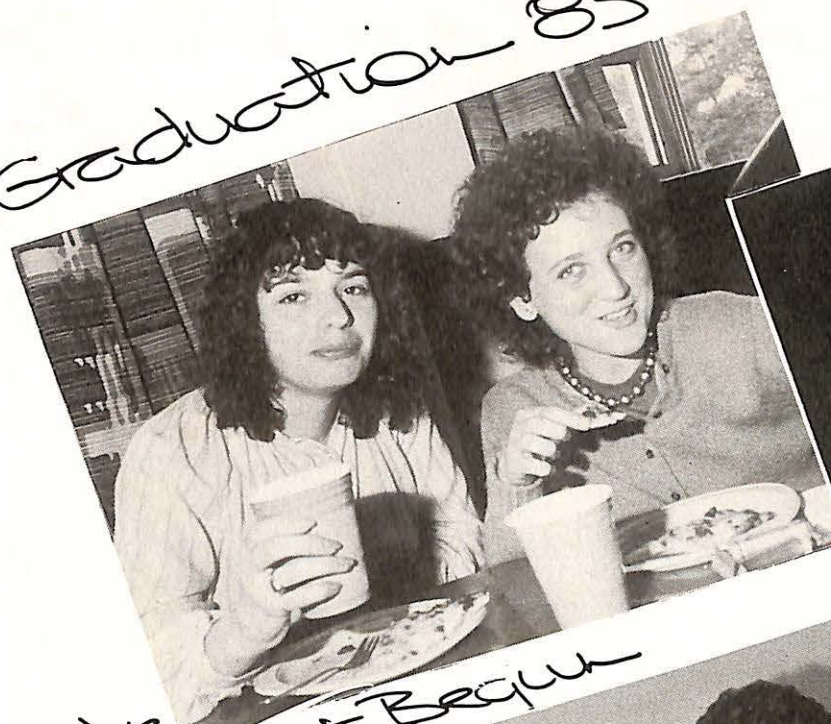
If we believe that humanity should have a future (and if we listen to our innermost feelings, we **must** believe this) then it is time for us to ensure that it is a future which we can bequeath to our descendants without feeling shame or guilt.

A more certain future

I don't want Ian or any other child, born or unborn, to have to face the future as we do now—with doubt as to whether or not any future does exist. Graduates, family, friends, I ask that when you leave here today you will not forget the challenge but will take it up eagerly and work to help build a better, more certain future for Ian and all children like him. William James, the philosopher, said "The great use of life is to spend it for something that will outlast it." We who have been given so much and who have so many resources of talent and training to draw upon have therefore the ability to bequeath something of lasting value in the responsibility we exercise for the children under our care.

When I began, I said that we were marking the end of one step in our lives and going on to new challenges. This is our life: to be loving, responsible human beings in order to create a world which we can pass on with pride and satisfaction to Ian and as many generations of children as will come after him.

Graduation '83



We've Only Just Begun



Shoes?!



Ship Away!



It Has Bite!



Create A New Alliance



L to R: Sister Margaret Molloy, B.A., B.L.S., M.A., presenter for Sister Francis d'Assisi McCarthy; Mary Clancy, B.A., L.L.B., L.L.M., presenter for Mme. Sauvé; Archbishop James Hayes, Chancellor of Mount Saint Vincent University and Hon. Jeanne Sauvé, P.C., M.P., LLD., D.Sc.

The following is an edited version of the address given by the Hon. Jeanne Sauvé, Speaker of the House of Commons and recipient of an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree, at the morning Convocation.

To stand before the graduates here is to realize that there is the greatest potential for a full and promising future for women in our society, and especially for those whose ambitions and talents have been nurtured in such a professional and progressive environment as we find here at Mount Saint Vincent.

What world awaits these graduates beyond? We stand at the threshold of a new age for women. There is a need to sort through the social legacy bequeathed us by our predecessors and to test the validity and utility of their philosophy against the conditions and circumstances we find before us today.

Feminist leaders claim they were misunderstood in the early years of the Women's Liberation Movement. It is said today that the militant, sometimes extremist message that was transmitted through the media, the angry demonstrations and the marches did not represent the true voice of feminism, but were simply the sensationalized antics of misguided radicals.

Strategy was myopic

Looking back, they realize such strategy was myopic. In their denial of the profound, complex, human relationship between men and women, the feminists only succeeded in polarizing the sexes, alienating men and women, and destroying all hope of complicity in accomplishing the more legitimate ob-

jectives of the campaign.

Feminists argued at the time that this rejection of mutualism was a necessary, but only a temporary aberration in the natural order, believing that when women's rights were won, the relationship between the sexes would heal itself. Their reactionary fervour seemed to blind them to the immediate implications and logical outcome of their actions; that in rejecting and defaming men they gained a jilted and powerful adversary.

Proving themselves capable

Those women who represented a different approach at that time were ostracized from the movement. Engaged as they were in the process of integrating themselves into the world of men, they were more conscious of the importance of proving themselves capable in their careers and preserving a positive relationship with men. Their failure would have jeopardized the progress of women for another generation; and they were not willing to ghettoize themselves in women's problems. Most importantly, they knew they could not deal with those issues in isolation.

The attitude of those early feminists was difficult to reconcile with the values of a society such as ours. One does not enhance one's dignity or gain one's rights by denigrating other's. When the time came to take responsibility for the current social upheaval, for the broken homes, troubled children, and moral promiscuity, the blame was laid squarely, and I might add unjustly, at the feet of the feminists. Though many other proven factors were accountable for the encroaching social malaise, the high profile of Women's Liberation laden them with the burden of guilt.

I always believed strongly in the principle

of equality for women and recognized the oppressed state that had developed as a result of years of economic dependence, paternalistic attitudes and institutionalized discrimination. My own career took place at a time when it was not socially acceptable to have one. I fought an uphill battle for myself and to promote women, or help them, as I was helped, to make breakthroughs. I pride myself in having established what I believe to be the most essential service if women are to participate fully in society and the workplace: a day care center in the House of Commons, the only such facility in the entire government apparatus.

Remained loyal

Was I too moderate in the 60's when I would not condone the rejection of family and feminism espoused by the movement? Was I anti-feminist to refuse to be caught up with the misguided missile of sexual politics? In this as in many other areas of endeavour I remained loyal to my deepest instincts, to my own authenticity, and to a sense of reality from which those who wish to accomplish reform should never depart.

I was always convinced that women could reconcile career and family because I was never prepared to sacrifice one for the other or to accept that one's sex determined a woman's whole life. It is still topical to repeat that procreation and parenting need not be the sole occupation of women, that those responsibilities should not totally define what it is to be a woman. A new trend towards diversity is evident. Perhaps its most visible example is in Parliament itself where women are pursuing full-time political careers either in conjunction with raising a family or after the children are grown.

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Prior: A Wider Perspective



Joan Vickie Prior, Bachelor of Science in Home Economics, with Distinction and winner of the Governor-General's Gold Medal, is now doing a year's internship at the Victoria General Hospital in Halifax.

Joan is a member of the Canadian Armed Forces and, once her internship is completed, will return to active service as a food service officer with the rank of lieutenant.

"I was absolutely astounded", she says, "when I was awarded the Governor-General's Gold Medal. It was something I hadn't even thought about, in fact I wasn't really aware it existed!"

She took her degree in Home Economics under an Armed Forces plan which allows time off for university study and says that the Mount was just what she needed. "I had been to the University of Alberta for a couple of years, where I was just a number. The Mount isn't like that", she says, "It also gives you a wider perspective on life because of the number of mature students enrolled there."

A native of Alberta, Joan joined the Armed Forces seven years ago, "but I was always interested in nutrition." When she realised they needed food service officers in the Forces, then she saw a chance to combine the two careers.

While in this area, Joan makes her home in Eastern Passage, and is hoping for an overseas posting once she returns to active duty.

Goldbloom: Volunteer Of The Year

Ruth M. Goldbloom chair of the Mount's first national fund raising campaign, Project One: Futures For Women, will receive a Citation Award from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education in the Volunteer of the Year category at the Alumni Volunteer Leadership dinner to be held during Education Expo Week in Washington, D.C. Goldbloom has been a member of the university's board of governors since 1974 and a driving force behind the planning and construction of Rosaria Centre. The Mount along with the University of Toronto, is the only Canadian university singled out to receive an award this year by the prestigious U.S. higher education body.

As Chair of Project One, Goldbloom guided the board of governors through the planning stages of the fund-raising campaign and put in a tremendous amount of time recruiting volunteers from the university community and the public at large to seek funding on the Mount's behalf. She travelled extensively throughout the country meeting with corporate and foundation representatives, alumnae and special friends of the university in search of support.

Mount president Dr. E. Margaret Fulton, who was along on most of the trips, is high in her praise of Goldbloom. "She accepted her role as one of total involvement and represented the university to the public in a manner which consistently enhanced the image of Mount Saint Vincent and the role of higher education in general. The award is a source of genuine pride for the Mount, especially when you realize that there were more than 300 entries in the Volunteer of the Year category."

In addition to her dedication to the Mount, Goldbloom is involved in many community projects and is chair of Youth Aliyah, Halifax Hadassah Wizo, and the United Jewish Appeal (the first woman to hold this position). Last year she was appointed (the only woman) to the Board of Directors of Simpsons Limited. In 1978 she received the Human Relations Award from the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews. Married to Dr. Richard Goldbloom, Physician in Chief of the Izaak Walton Killam Hospital for Children, she was the first founding chairperson and buyer for the Gift Shop for that institution and also Convenor of Kermesse and from 1971-77 served as a Regent of Mount Allison University, Sackville, New Brunswick, one of her alma maters—McGill, the other.

Flinn: The Best Say All Of Us



Dr. Marguerite Flinn, of the Mount's Biology Department, received the President's Award for Teaching Excellence at Convocation. Chosen by a committee of four faculty members, one alumna and a student, Dr. Flinn was one of seven nominees. Course outlines, examination and assignment requirements and student evaluation were all taken into account during the very rigorous assessment of those on the short list.

Born and educated in Halifax, Dr. Flinn holds a B.Ed. and B.Sc. from the Mount, an M.Sc. from Dalhousie University and received her Ph.D. in fire science from the University of New Brunswick where she trained in both the forestry and biology departments. She also studied at St. John's University in New York and made a number of study trips which took her to Vancouver, Ottawa, Australia, and the USSR. Her research into the controlled use of fire in forests has been a central theme in her life since she witnessed the destruction of the Cape Smokey burn. "We were travelling around the Cabot Trail that summer and I was horrified at the degradation of the forest system resulting from the fire." She climbed Cape Smokey three times and was so overcome by what she saw that she decided to make it a study for her Ph.D. She says, "It's turned out to be the most interesting research I've ever done in my life." Associated with the Mount most of her life Flinn considers the President's Award for teaching a great honour. "I'm really pleased to be the first woman to receive it since the awards began three years ago." Her main thrust in teaching has been "to teach Biology so well that students will not only learn it, but love it." She plans to spend her 1985/86 sabbatical at one of the fire study centres of the world, either in Australia, the United States or Sweden.

Assembly: Four Years Planning

When 338 Sisters of Charity from all over the world attended a Futures Assembly at the Mount Saint Vincent Motherhouse in July, the university decided to give them a break from the workshops, discussions and heavy thinking that had been going on all week, and hosted a barbeque on the evening of July 14.

Murphy's Law dictated that it should rain that evening, but the Mount's Public Relations, Alumnae and Development staff together with the grounds crew, simply brought the outdoors indoors to the Multipurpose Room in Rosaria Centre, transforming that rather bleak and unappealing room into a garden with trees, plants, park benches and hundreds of balloons.

It turned out to be one of the most successful social occasions at the Mount. The Sisters were eager to relax and enjoy. Alan Ley and Mary Reynolds, the popular piano-bar duo from the Mount Playhouse, soon had the whole assembly in a singing and dancing mood with their Broadway hits. Quieter moments were provided by Cheryl Gaudet with her folk songs and guitar accompaniment.

Hamburgers and hot dogs didn't seem at all out of place in the informal surroundings. Large bowls of tossed salad and huge

baskets of fresh fruit added colour to a satisfying, casual meal.

The Sisters were welcomed by Mount President Dr. E. Margaret Fulton; Mary Moore Uhl, Assistant to the President, received a standing ovation from the guests; and the Province's Finance Minister, Joel Matheson, was present to award Nova Scotia's Order of the Good Time to eleven visiting Sisters.

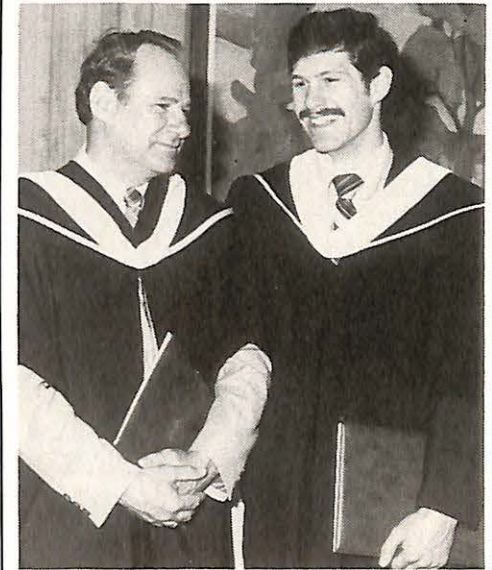
Other distinguished guests were Howard Crosbie, member of parliament for the area, and Mrs. Crosbie, and Alderman Alf Hamshaw.

The helium-filled balloons were released outside with messages of peace and love attached, to alight heaven knows where, and the Sisters and their hosts agreed that it had been a wonderful evening of good fellowship and good vibes.

Their week had included serious discussions on world population, distribution of resources, the arms race, the nuclear issue, lifestyles, and a wide variety of ecclesiastical topics.

Sisters participating in the Futures Assembly were those who will still be active in the ministry in the year 2000. It was a concentrated effort to draw up a new mandate to provide a realistic function in an increasingly complex era and had been four years in the planning.

A Family Affair



A father and son overcame the odds at this year's Convocation, both graduating at the same time, with the same degree in a predominantly female university. Douglas Clarke, 48 and his son Michael, 24, of Halifax were awarded bachelor of arts degrees, specializing in religious studies.

The senior Clarke is a Roman Catholic deacon and pastor of Mount Uniacke's St. Francis of Assisi Church. He completed his degree with a year of full-time study at the Mount in 1974-75, a summer course in 1976 and part-time study during 1980-81 and 1981-82.

The younger Clarke will be back at the Mount in the Fall of '83 where he has registered in the Bachelor of Education program.

Follow Up: Mentoring

A number of enthusiastic replies have been received in response to our recent article, "Mentoring" (April, 1983). Dr. Carol Hill, Director of Student Services, reports that the alumnae applications received to date are very encouraging, but many more are still needed, especially in the Halifax-Dartmouth area. Both Dr. Hill and Alumnae Officer, Dilly MacFarlane are hopeful that an increase in alumnae response will make it possible to do some mentor-student matchmaking over the summer months, in preparation for the busy time ahead in September when eager students will be ready to start the program. "Before we approach the larger community for mentors", says Dr. Hill, "we would like to know that any interested alumnae in the local area will have already applied". If you are interested, and have not yet applied, please contact the Alumnae Office at 443-4450, loc. 136.



During an evening away from consideration of global problems, Sisters of Charity enjoyed a change of mood and formed a creditable chorus line at the barbeque hosted by the university during their Futures Assembly.

We Will Be Watching



The following is an edited version of Mrs. Anita Dubinsky's address at the afternoon Convocation when she received the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Humane Letters. She is shown above with Dr. Harold Oxley, Dr. Sheva Medjuck and Roy Bonisteel.

My mother was a progressive woman for her time, determined that her children would have the education she was denied. If she indulged herself in any respect, it was in her keen interest in new hats. I know she would have appreciated the one I am wearing today. For this, and for the high honour bestowed upon me, I express my deepest gratitude to this distinguished and unique Mt. St. Vincent University. This exciting occasion is further enhanced for me by my association with Sr. Francis d'Assisi, Madame Sauv   and "Man Alive" Roy Bonisteel. The reverend sister and I haven't made it yet on national television, but we're waiting in the wings.

The only difficulty I have, in accepting this honorary degree, is that, of this moment, I must begin to try to justify the confidence extended to me by the University.

Anything is possible

I am the daughter of parents who, at about the age of most of our graduates, escaped religious and economic oppression in Europe to start life in this free country, without material resources and without a syllable of the English language. If I can be singled out for honours, and the Convocation address today, in the language they learned with difficulty, then you must agree with me that anything is possible.

My introduction to Mount St. Vincent College occurred on a rainy, dark night, taken directly out of Wuthering Heights, in 1940, when I was a member of the Dalhousie Women's Debating team. We entered the dark little front hall, guided by a single light bulb, to be met by a nun, in full traditional habit. Up to that point, I had never been within shouting distance of a nun. Although it's doubtful that anyone ever shouted in the presence of a nun! After tea in delicate little cups, the Mount team proceeded to shred our well-rehearsed debating points. Even then the

Mount meant business, the Mount meant excellence.

Since anything is possible, this new Mount not only maintains its reputation of excellence, but is alive and well, in an inspiring pastoral setting, with modern facilities and a distinguished faculty, and with a philosophy and a practice of reaching out to the community, focusing on Women's issues and on a wider education for all. Under the personal dynamic leadership of Mother Mary Evaristus, Dr. Catherine Wallace and Dr. Margaret Fulton, the Mount's impact on the surrounding community is far out of proportion to its physical size and far in advance of any reasonable expectation. For those of us outside the University, Continuing Education under the expert direction of Dr. Mairi MacDonald is and has been an extra dimension in our lives.

A better understanding

How many times have I sat where you are now, attending seminars, workshops and lectures. We have always left here with a better understanding of ourselves, fundamental to a better understanding of others and the world around us. However, I am still trying to fathom the paradox of a University dedicated to futures for women, that is apparently named in honour of a man!

John Dos Passos reminds us that every generation rewrites the past. It is not unexpected on this occasion, that I and some of my generation in this assembly, recall our own graduations. We cannot compare the world that awaited us with the prospects for today's graduates. With the preponderance of women in this class, we must recognize the wide, if gradual, changes in opportunities for and attitudes toward women in the work place and educational institutions. For this, we must not overlook the grinding efforts of many women's groups, some farsighted individuals and a few legislators.

Unfortunately, the struggle is not over. It was still possible, only six months ago, for a male alderman in a Canadian city, defeated by a female candidate, to say that women don't have the needed business and management skills to understand and deal with complex

issues. He doubts that city hall can be governed by housewives who have to wash dishes in the morning and then come into council and make million dollar decisions.

Women and work

Statistics Canada predicts that by the year 2000, 65-70% of Canadian women will work outside the home. We know that women now comprise 50% of the Canadian and 40% of Nova Scotia's work force, where they consistently earn less and advance more slowly than their male counterparts. Unless and until the principle of "equal pay for work of equal value" is clarified and universally enforced, these inequities will continue.

In fact, the equal value concept has already been defined and implemented, in Quebec and federal government jurisdictions. And it's about time. Equal value was espoused by the International Labour Organization of the U.N. in 1951 and Canada agreed to its principles in 1972. This year, 1983, is as good a time as any, to urge our three levels of governments to open the way to equality in the work place, as an example to the private sector.

The Canadian Human Rights Commission reports that a five-year-old law requiring equal pay for work of equal value, is being ignored by most of the private companies under federal jurisdictions. Very few employers either reviewed their pay system or moved it to comply with the law. Obviously legislation works only when public pressure activates it.

For some years, those of us in the field of human rights pinned our hopes for wider employment of women and visible minorities on a program of Affirmative Action. But unless and until contract compliance becomes the law of the land, in tough economic times, we simply cannot rely on good will alone. Governments must lead the way by stipulating that government contracts for goods and services should be given only to companies who recognize the rights of women and visible minorities to the place in the labour scene.

Where women lose out is in their conventional job sectors that do not pay as well as so-

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Award Winners



The Spirit Lives

by Dulcie Conrad

When Sister Francis D'Assisi McCarthy retired as president of Mount Saint Vincent University in 1965, a biographer noted that she did so "after 27 years of leadership in the field of higher education and a total of 47 years as an active educator—dedicated years spent entirely in the city and archdiocese of Halifax, Nova Scotia."

That lifetime of service to others in itself would be worthy cause for any university to bestow its highest honor on one of its own, but in the case of Sister Francis D'Assisi, the reasons run much deeper. In fact, they are rooted in the very heart of the Mount. For it was Sister Francis D'Assisi who worked so closely with the Mount's founder, Mother Mary Evaristus, to shape the future of Canada's only university built with the needs of women in mind.

The vision that guided them and their colleagues was to prepare women for the "totality of roles entrusted upon them as wives and mothers, in church and school, in community organizations, in social agencies, in parish activities and in professional pursuits." This was the dream firmly held on to throughout the difficult war and early postwar years when both the student body and faculty were small and when adequate facilities and resources were still in the planning stages. And while today there has been a shift in emphasis and a change in priorities, the commitment to women made with the founding of a girl's academy before the turn of the century remains the same.

There is no doubt that Sister Francis D'Assisi's entire adult life reflects in great measure the history of Mount Saint Vincent University. After all, she arrived in Halifax in 1915 when the road to the city was nothing more than a dusty, narrow ribbon along which she and her Novice friends would later walk to complete their undergraduate studies at Dalhousie University. World War I was in progress then and just before she was professed in 1918, the greatest explosion ever to rock the face of the earth turned the Mount into a sea of broken glass, shaky walls and unspoken panic not to mention a haven for the wounded and homeless. Doctoral studies, work with the poor, another World War, another horrendous explosion and a dev-

astating fire were to follow in the years ahead leaving scars and memories for those who walked the Mount grounds and planned and prayed for its future.

Sister's recollections of those early days ("they came out from the city by the hundreds in the freezing cold and we put them up in every available space we had"; "the night sky would light up after every terrible rumble and for two days and nights we had to remain outside with our heads down") include disappointments and setbacks ("we lost one of our best benefactors through a misunderstanding"; "he had changed his mind, all our plans for a building in Halifax vanished") as well as major triumphs. And just as her predecessor had retired within sight of her dreams being fulfilled, so too Sister Francis D'Assisi let go of the reins before the opening of housing and classroom facilities (Assisi Hall, Seton Academic Centre)—both desperately needed to accommodate the student enrolment which had tripled during her eleven years as president.

Those who attended this year's Convocation and witnessed the bestowing of an honorary degree on Sister Francis D'Assisi had, no doubt, taken time to reflect on the work and the "times" of what one eminent Nova Scotia veteran educator was heard to remark—"That was one dynamic lady".



In presenting Sister for her honorary degree, Sister Margaret Molloy said:

"Your Grace:

"I have the honor to present Sister Francis D'Assisi McCarthy.

"Sister Francis D'Assisi, a native of Boston, has spent her religious life in the service of the Church and the people of Halifax: from 1921-1938 as High School Teacher at St. Patrick's; from 1938-1954 as Dean and Registrar of Mount Saint Vincent College; from 1954-1965 as President of Mount Saint Vincent; from 1965-1978 as Historian and Archivist of the Sisters of Charity.

"In each of these Apostolates Sister Francis D'Assisi had demonstrated her gifts as Woman, Religious, Teacher, Administrator, and her qualities of honesty, integrity, and keen insightful intelligence. (Of the latter quality a gentleman of learning paid her what he considered the highest compliment, when he said: "She has the mind of a man").

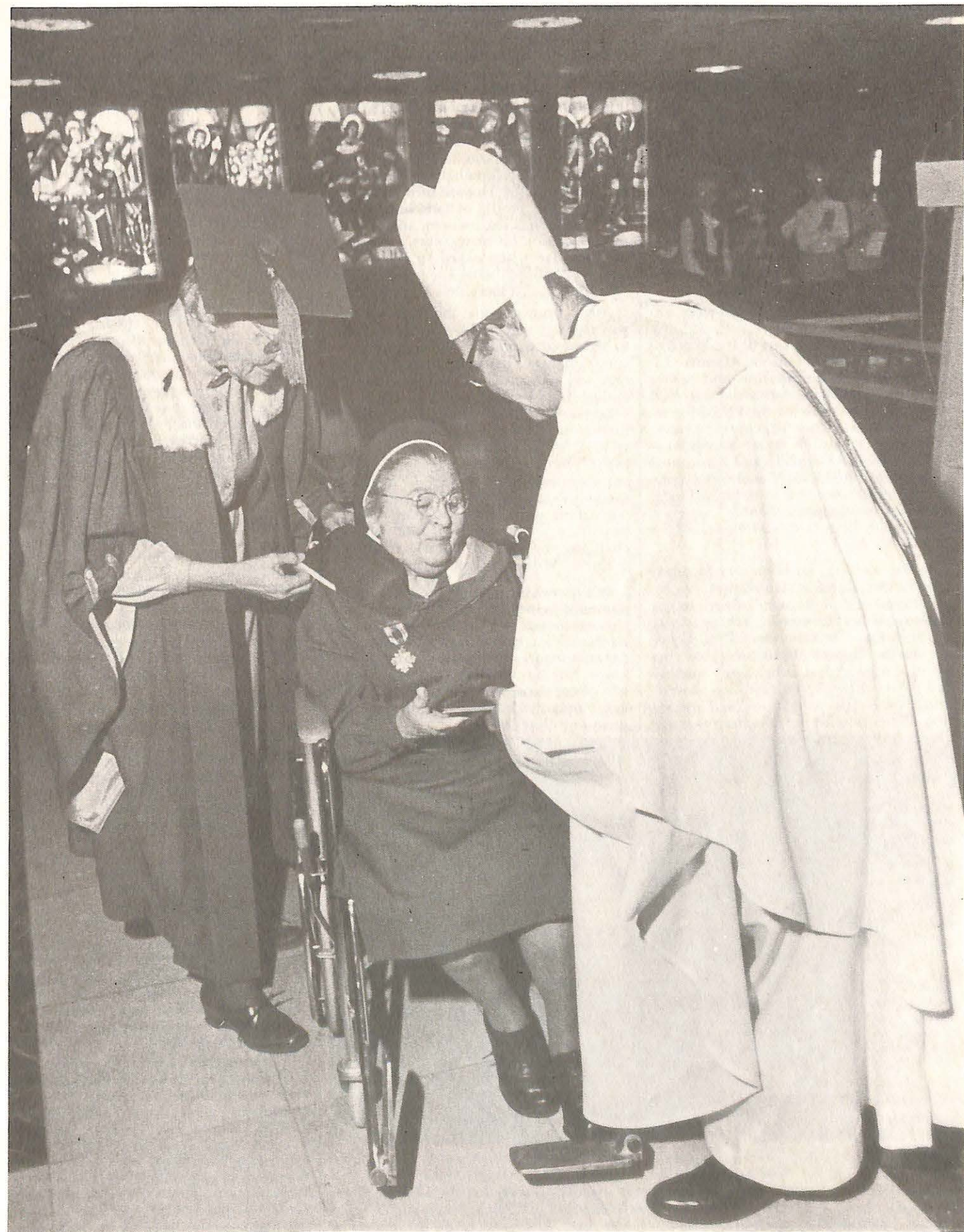
"Perhaps Sister Francis D'Assisi is best known for the accomplishments of her years at Mount Saint Vincent University. It was through her efforts that the Mount was admitted as a member of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada. She was one of the Founding Presidents of the Atlantic Association of Universities. During her term as President the building program of residences, student building, and lecture halls was begun. A number of new programs, including the Master of Arts Programs in English and Education, were introduced. There was growth in the number of students and professors, and the beginning of extension courses.

"When Sister Francis D'Assisi retired after twenty-seven years as University Administrator, she returned to her profession of Historian. She began the awesome task of re-creating the historical records of the Sisters of Charity, records which had been completely lost in the Motherhouse Fire in 1951. In a search that took her from the Archives of the Sacred Congregation of Religious in Rome, to the Public Archives of Canada in Ottawa, to the Archives of the Chancery Offices of Dioceses where Sisters of Charity worked, to cemeteries where Sisters of Charity were buried, she traced leads to retore the heritage of a century and a quarter of history. In addition, she coordinated the work of a group of Sisters who were writing the lives of the former Mothers of the Congregation and she herself wrote the biographies of six of them.

"Such endeavours have not gone without deserved recognition. In 1953, Sister was awarded the Coronation Medal of the British Empire; in 1966, the Degree of Honorary Doctor of Laws by the University of New Brunswick; and in 1966, the Medal Pro Ecclesia Et Pontifice by Pope Paul VI.

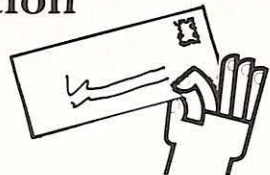
D'Assisi wrote, in a reflective letter to a member of the Congregation, "One does her day's work wherever she is", and she equated her happiest hours to the apostolate, not to her work in education, but to her work with the poor. Of her service to the poor in St. Patrick's Parish during the depression years of the 1930's, she wrote, "... that was my privilege and it taught me more of the realism of life than all the text books on social psychology, or social problems could transmit.

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Association News



Annual Dinner

The Alumnae Annual Dinner held May 5 was a real treat. The Mount's Director of Food Services, Clyde Bishop, and his excellent VS Services Staff are to be commended for yet another job well done.

New officers and directors were announced for the 1983-84 year. In addition to the appointed members of the Board of Directors (Alumnae Officer, Alumnae Liaison from the Corporation and Senior Class Presidents) the following members were elected to serve for the 1983-84 term: Barbara Watt—Past President; Louise Chiasson—Treasurer; Anne Baccardax—Secretary; Irene Swindells and Annemarie Macdonald—Board of Governors Representatives; Eleanor MacNutt; Marie Hodgson; Suzanne Drapeau; Debbie Lawrence; Ann David; Beverly Cameron; and Marie Riley.

At the meeting, an Honorary Membership in the Alumnae Association was bestowed upon Prof. Renate Usmiani in recognition of her 25 years of teaching service at the Mount. Over the years, Prof. Usmiani, of the English Department, has contributed a great deal to her many students and to the university community. Most recently she has gained national and international attention for the university through

her work with the dinner/theatre/cabaret, the Mount Playhouse, now in its second successful season.

The highest honour the alumnae association can bestow on one of its members is a life membership for outstanding contribution to the Mount. "Outstanding" is one word to describe Marie Kelly Ac'49, but does not really do justice to the energy, loyalty and enthusiasm she has shown over the years. Her original play "Don't Stir Me", written for Homecoming '82, has increased her profile of late, but in fact, Marie Kelly has led, assisted, and advised the association for many years. Her genuine surprise when asked to accept the honor established what she herself called "A real first . . . a speechless Marie Kelly!"

Apart from all this, the guest speaker was also very special. Roy Bonisteel, about to become an alumnus himself, gave an inspirational and truly entertaining speech that was indicative of his lively intellect and genuine warmth.

Bonisteel and his wife, Jane, arrived early to meet with as many alumnae as possible. Patricia Whitman, chairman of the event, voiced what was a general consensus: "Bonisteel has something to say to everyone—and everyone listened. I only wish there were 1,000 alumnae, there to hear him . . . he said he would consider changing the name of his television program to "Women Alive!"

Whitman also thanked the many alumnae who helped make the dinner such a success, with special thanks going to Barbara Watt, out-going President, "who did more work than most of us will ever know. She has added to the professionalism of our Association, and has left excellent standards for the new Board and Executive to follow".



Guest speaker Roy Bonisteel captivated the Alumnae Dinner audience with his warm and inspiring address. Seen here with him are (L to R): Debbie Pottie Matheson, President of the Mount Saint Vincent Alumnae Association; Marie Kelly, who was awarded a life membership in the Association; Past President Barbara Watt and Dr. Margaret Fulton, President of the Mount.

Alumnae Reception for Graduates

During Convocation '83, a new tradition was begun by the alumnae association. For several years now, it has been the hope of the association to establish an annual event during Grad Week for graduates and their families—one that would include as many members of the University community as possible. After much consideration, a reception at the Motherhouse following the Baccalaureate Mass was arranged under the supervision of Mary Connors and her excellent catering staff, and the Alumnae/Student Liaison Committee of the alumnae association.

Alumnae acted as ushers during the mass, and then accompanied some 500 people to the reception where wine, tea, coffee and the famous Motherhouse sweets were served. It was by far the most successful of any alumnae-student gathering ever hosted by the association, and plans for next year's Baccalaureate Mass Reception are even now in the works.

During the reception, several alumnae awards were presented to graduates. Sister Mary Lua Gavin presented the Sister Rose Celestine French Award to Tanya Levy of New Glasgow. The Sister Marie Agnes White English Award was presented by Sister to Lori Giffin of Bedford, N.S., and Sister Francis d'Assisi presented the History Award named in her honour to Mary Jane MacInnis BA'83, of Shubenacadie, N.S. and to Betty Hall BA'83 of Halifax, N.S.

The event provided the association an opportunity to personally welcome new graduates into the ranks of alumnae, and all were grateful for the chance to congratulate Sister Francis d'Assisi on her special day, while catching up on the news from the Motherhouse.

Card Social

Trivial Pursuit was the popular game this year at the alumnae card social, held April 25 in Rosaria Centre. Although advance ticket sales were better than other years, rainy weather kept people away. Nevertheless, co-ordinator Karen Burchill reported \$800 profit.

A new singing group, Variety Fare, that is performing at the Mount Playhouse this summer, entertained the guests. More than 80 attractive prizes were donated, as was most of the food. Florence Wall, Joy Hanlon and Marie O'Malley did a great job "soliciting" bread and sweets.

A new eye-catching poster, suggested by Pam Veinotte, BPR'81, was designed and printed at the Mount. Pam also arranged the publicity for the event.

Class Notes



Class of 1924

RUBY W. (BELL) PAYNE, ACADEMY, died on April 10, 1983. Surviving are her husband, Charles F. Payne, two daughters, Phyllis E. Calvert and Barbara M. Henry, and four grandsons.

Class of 1931

CECILIA MORRISON, BA from S.M.U. in 1964, Assoc. Trinity College of Music, recently moved to 4 Ridgcrest Drive in Dartmouth.

Class of 1934

RITA (MAXWELL) TURNER, BSS, and husband Donald have moved to Apt. 411, Stonegate Apts., 1150 South Main St., Middletown, Connecticut.

Class of 1935

MARY FLACK, ACADEMY, is residing at 108 Coral Court, Clearwater, Florida. A most welcome note was received by the Alumnae Office along with her membership dues.

DOROTHY MURRAY, ACADEMY, BScSS'39 is now living at 209 - 1725 Beach Drive, Victoria, B.C.

Class of 1949

INEZ (OUELLETTE) BONANG, ACADEMY, is attending the Mount as a part-time student working toward a BA, and is living at Porter's Lake.

Class of 1953

SISTER RHEA LACHAPPELLE, BScHEC is involved with working with elderly people while she hold the position of Director for the Neighbourhood Family Visitors in Providence, Rhode Island.

Class of 1957

DOROTHY LUSHINGTON, BA, and her husband Frank have moved to 1000 MicMac Blvd., Apt. 511 in Dartmouth.

Class of 1958

JACQUELINE (EMBREE) SMITH, ACADEMY, and her husband Stan are now living at 9 Alder Drive in Dartmouth. B2W 4B1.

Class of 1959

SHEILA (TROTTLER) MacDONALD, BScSS, and husband Robert have a new Fredericton address: Comp. 217, S.S. No. 1, Silverwood, Fredericton, N.B. E3B 5M7.

Class of 1961

JULIE DERGAL, ACADEMY, is working at the Dalhousie Law School and is now living at 1333 South Park St., Apt. 310, in Halifax.

K. ANN WHETSON, BScSS, and husband Dennis, U.S.A.F., recently moved to 909 N N St., Lompoc, Cal.

Class of 1962

ANN MARIE DOWNIE, (ACADEMY), JrDipEd'68, BA'75, has just moved to her own home at 39 Miller Road, Truro. She is the principal of the Nova Scotia School for Girls in Truro.

SISTER IRENE DWYER, BScEId, BA'68, has returned to Halifax from Arnprior, Ontario, and is living at St. Joseph's Convent.

SISTER MARY E. SUNNIGAN, BScEId, died in April. She had been living in Wellesley Hills, Mass.

Class of 1963

ANNETTE (ST. ONGE) ARCHIBALD, ACADEMY, and husband Laurie have moved to Chester Basin. Annette is the Sales Manager for Colonial Homes.

SISTER CARMELLA LeBLANC, BScEId, BA'69, has moved to Apt. 505, 10140 - 113 Street, Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2H6.

THELMA (TAYLOR) SMYLLIE, ACADEMY, moved on June 3 to 364 Grenadier Drive, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3N 0L8.

Class of 1965

JEANNE FLEMMING, BA, is working as a policy analyst for the Ministry of State for Social Development, Government of Canada. She and her husband, Norman Kyle, live at 1163 Bordeaux Grove, Gloucester, Ontario.

Class of 1966

SHARON (O'HARA) ESCARAVAGE, BSHEC, is living in Calgary with her husband André and sons

Michael and Philip. She has been doing post-graduate work at the University of Calgary and teaching Home Economics. Her address is 312 Varsity Estates Grove, N.W., Calgary, Alberta.

DOLORES (CORMIER) Gottenborg, BSc, is working as the Regional Management Consultant with the Department of Indian Affairs in Edmonton, Alberta. She lives at 11724 - 103 Ave. in Edmonton.

Class of 1970

DEBORAH J. BAIRD, BScHEC, has moved from Halifax to Saint John. Her new address is 824 Manawagonish Road, Saint John, N.B. E2M 3X1.

MARGARET (HAYDON) BUSCHE, BA, is a reading support teacher working at Grosvenor-Wentworth Park and St. Agnes Schools.

SISTER JANET MARSTON, BA, BEd'73, has moved to 308 Young St., Montreal, Quebec H3C 2G2.

PAMELA (FULCHER) MOIR, ACADEMY, is living in Prince George, B.C., where she has her own business, "House of Vision", located at 270 Victoria St., Prince George, B.C. V2L 2J4.

Class of 1971

MORA (MUNRO) BUSSEY, BScHEC, is working as a food consumer consultant, Atlantic Region, for Robin Hood Multifoods Inc. in St. John's, Nfld.

YVONNE LANDRY, BA, is working in the French Department of Dalhousie University.

FRANCES (O'NEILL) LEVY, BScN, and husband Thomas, recently moved from Ottawa to 141 Wilmot Circle, Oromocto, N.B.

ELIZABETH (MacKINNON) ROSCOE, BA AND LLB'74 from Dal U., has moved from Dartmouth to 5537 Carriage-way Cres., Halifax B3K 5K4.

JANIS C. SMITH, BScHEC, recently moved from Sydney to North Sydney and is living at 15 William St., North Sydney, N.S. B2A 1W7.

Class of 1972

JUDITH D. (HIMMELMAN) CROFT, BABusEc is living at

Crousetown, R.R. No. 2, Italy Cross, Lunenburg Co., Cross, Lunenburg Co., B0J 1V0. She is working as a legal secretary for Coughlan and Coughlan.

JANET (QUILLAN) LOWE, BA, BEd'73, and her husband Garnet have moved from Quebec and are living in Sheet Harbour, N.S. Janet is teaching at the Sam Balcom School in Port Dufferin.

Class of 1973

PATRICIA PRATT, BA, BEd'74, has a new address: General Delivery, Caledon, Ontario L0N 1C0.

LESLIE ANN (SMITH) SNIDE, MedSec.Dip. and husband Sandy recently became the parents of a baby boy who they named Jeffrey.

Class of 1974

JOLINE BELLIVEAU, BA, and ACADEMY'71, is working as a records clerk for the Export Development Corporation in Ottawa. She is living at 319 - 195 Clearview Ave., Ottawa, Ontario.

JO-ANN (SKINNER) BOYD, BScHEC, and husband Paul, M.D. recently moved to 256 Seaview Drive, North Sydney, N.S. B2A 3N4.

MARY T. COMER, BA and BSN'79, recently returned to Halifax from Medicine Hat, where she was working for the V.O.N. She is now the Director of the Victorian Order of Nurses for the Atlantic Provinces. Her new address is Suite 214, 5675 Spring Garden Rd., Halifax, N.S.

LINDAY (MILLEY) McKINNON, BHEC, and her husband Ron have recently moved to 32 Langevin Drive, Lower Sackville. They have two children: Jeffrey, three years old, and Kristen, one year old.

CAROLYN J. (COVERT) SCOTT, BScN, has a new mailing address: Comp. 8, Site 10A, Eastern Passage, Halifax Co., N.S. B0J 1L0.

Class of 1975

BEVERLY CAMERON, BBA, is working as a Regional Recruitment Analyst for the Public Service Commission of Canada, while studying part-time towards a M.A.

SUSAN CORNING, BA, is

now the personnel administrator for the Maritime Life Assurance Company. She is now living at 3373 Novalea Drive in Halifax.

Class of 1977

KATHERINE JELLOW-MacEACHERN, LegSecDip, is living in Port Hawkesbury, and her Post Office Box No. there is 996. Katherine is trying to begin a legal secretaries association in that area.

SUZANNE M. LeBLANC, BA, MLS McGill'79, wrote a very interesting letter to the Alumnae Officer. She made some suggestions for future Insight Plus issues, which were welcomed. She and Margaret Winslow, BBA'78, are active alumnae members in the Ottawa area. Suzanne's address is Apt. 1109, 150 MacLaren St., Ottawa, Ontario K2P 0L2. She is working as a Reference Librarian in the Bank of Canada Library.

Class of 1978

KENNETH COAKLEY, BBA, formerly of Armada Drive in Halifax, is working for the R.C.M.P. and has just been transferred to Botwood, Newfoundland.

DEBBIE (MOFFATT) MacLELLAN, BEd, and husband Gus are the proud parents of a second son who arrived in May.

Class of 1979

ANN MARIE CAMPBELL, BEd, was married on November 27/82 to Chris E. Cochran. She is working as administrative assistant at the Institute for Research on Public Policy.

SYLVIA LEUNG, BBA, and her parents, have moved to 47 Shek Pai Wan Road, 4th floor, Flat 2, Aberdeen, Hong Kong. In a recent letter, Sylvia noted that because of the economic situation, many businesses there have closed. She has been working for the past 2 years for Sun Hung Kai Bullion Co. in Hong Kong. Her sister Amy is in her second year of studies at the U. of Western Ontario and is working towards a Bus. Admin. degree.

NANCY C. MacDONALD, BA BEd is on educational leave and studying for an MEd

(Educational Technology) at the University of Alberta. Nancy will be returning home in August, 1983 to 'good old Bridgewater'.

PEGGY NICHOLSON, BScN, has moved back to Halifax from Vancouver and is nursing at the Victoria General Hospital.

DINAH (CHAPMAN) SIMMONS, BA, and husband William are now residing at 143 Pleasant St., Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y 3P8. Dinah is working for Ommifacts Research Ltd.

Class of 1980

JACQUELINE CONDRAN, BSA, and husband Brian recently moved to 14 Chadwick St. in Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y 2M3.

ETHEL MAY (MATTHEWS) ISENER, BHEc, recently moved to 55 Edforth Way N.W., Calgary, Alberta T3A 3A5.

BARBARA F. MILLER, BHEc, BEd'81, was married to Ralph DeLong, and their new address is R.R. No. 1, New Germany, Lunenburg Co., N.S. Barbara is working as a substitute teacher.

MELITA P. (FORD) STUART, BSc, BEd'81 from Acadia U., is teaching in British Columbia. Melita and her husband John now are living at 1141 Summit Ave., Prince Rupert, B.C. V8J 2A2.

Class of 1981

HEIDI BECK, BA, completed her R.C.M.P. training and is now posted at 777 England Ave., Courtenay, B.C. as a peace officer. Heidi's address is P.O. Box 355, Lazo, B.C. V0R 2K0.

ALLAYNE BRUCE, BCS, and husband Paul recently became the parents of a baby daughter. They have moved to their own home at 1191 Fall River Road.

HEATHER BURKE, BCS, is working as a rehabilitation practitioner at the Roland Michener Centre, Red Deer, Alberta, and is living at 4005 51A Street, Red Deer.

VALERIE A. CAMERON, BHEc and Paul N. Settle were married on March 5 at 2:30 in St. James United Church in Great Village. They are living in Debert.

STEPHEN HALL, BA, is working as a living unit officer in the Kent Institution in Agassiz, B.C. This is a maximum security federal penitentiary, and Stephen is involved with prisoner counselling and supervision. He is studying part-time at Simon Fraser University.

MARK HARRIS, BEd and his wife became parents in March. The family make their home at Orwell, R.R. No. 2, Vernon Bridge, P.E.I.

ALLISON HULL, BA, is studying at Saint Thomas University in N.B., working towards her degree in Social Work.

ANITA M. LATHIGEE, BPR, has moved to 56 Chadwick Place, No. 215, Halifax, N.S. She is the Director of Public Relations at Metro Centre in Halifax.

VICKI MOSSMAN, BSA, is working as a legal secretary for the Bridgewater Legal Centre, 15 Dominion St. in Bridgewater, N.S.

NANCY ONYSKO, BPR, recently moved to 633 York St., Fredericton, New Brunswick.

LARRY G. PARDY, BSc, is a Second Lieutenant in the Canadian Forces. His address is c/o Officers Mess, CFB Cold Lake, Medley, Alberta. Larry began training in July, 1982 to become a pilot.

CYNTHIA H. PLANT-HANSEN, BCS, is working as a play specialist at the I.W.K. Hospital for Children.

EILEEN B. (MOORE) SHAW, BBA, and husband Hector recently moved to Apt. 412, 1271 Church St., Halifax. Eileen is enrolled at the Halifax Infirmary School of Nursing.

SHELLEY ANNE (WITHERS) ZWICKER, BPR, is working for Public Affairs, and PETER ZWICKER, BBA, has a position with Co-Op Insurance.

Class of 1982

CHARLES BRYAN CAMPBELL, MEd, is living in Australia. His address there is P.O. Box 57, Hackett A.C.T. 2602, Australia. Charles assumed a new appointment on January 25 as a lecturer in education at "Signadou", the Dominican

Teachers' College in Canberra, Australia. The main objective for the college is to train teachers for grades 3 to 6 for outback schools, either in the Catholic school system or in the state system.

FIONA LORRAINE GRANT, BSA, was married to Lieut. Leslie Arthur Chapman on April 3 in Gosport, Hampshire, England. They are now residing at 14 Mark's Road, Alverstoke, Hampshire, U.K.

PAUL S. HEALY, BEd, is teaching at Hebbville Consolidated High School. His new address is Comp. No. 20, Site 101, R.R. No. 1, Bedford. Paul is on the Board of Directors of Seaweed Theatre, and he recently sold a play to be produced by ATV.

GEOFFREY HILL, BEd, is teaching French to Grades 3-6 for the Dartmouth District School Board. He has moved to 43 Sarah Crescent, Dartmouth, N.S. B2W 4Z2.

JOYCE LEVY, DipLegSec, and Frederick G.W. Ellis were married in the Windsor United Church. Joyce is working for Cox, Downie, Nunn and Goodfellow.

LISE PIGNAL, BCS, has moved to 4005 51A Street in Red Deer, Alberta T4N 2B4.

KAREN STONE, BPR, is working as the advertising manager for the newspaper "The Warrior", which is produced at CFB Shearwater.

SANDRA MARIE WHITE, DipMedSS, married a U.N.B. graduate, David P. D'Amours, and they are living at 64 Fleet St. in Moncton, N.B.



"Women Hold up Half the Sky"

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women with the needs of women in the Third World. The approach is uncomplicated and personal: Match facilitates the implementation of projects which originate from within the developing community by providing a "Canadian consultant". Perhaps this consultant is an architect or a nutritionist, perhaps a goat farmer or a weaver. It is this one-to-one approach, this small type of network system of women talking to women, which will eventually make a difference in the way women live throughout the world.

Equal responsibility

I do not mean to imply that men have no part to play in this development process. Indeed, your role is of vital importance. It is men's image of women and women's image of themselves in relation to men, that constitutes a major stumbling block in this scheme. You too bear equal responsibility for destroying the disparities that exist.

Furthermore, I do not mean to imply that we must leave Canada to help women—there are women who need our help right here in this city.

One woman, Helen Palet, who had formerly worked with Mother Theresa in India, has responded to the challenge of feeding the hungry in New York City by initiating City Harvest. This unique operation depends on volunteers to pick up unwanted and excess food from supermarkets and restaurants and then deliver the items to soup kitchens and free pantries. This woman recognized a need, recognized the

resources and simply initiated a distribution system to bring the two together. Thus, the practical thinking and the compassion of one individual has resulted in thousands receiving food that would otherwise be wasted. This is the kind of example which we have to follow—an example which is inspiring in its simplicity and effectiveness.

Granted, there is no simple answer to improving the condition of women who are poor and marginal in their societies. Although politics and technology have a great potential role in ending Third World despair, I believe that the social, behavioural, and informational sciences will have a more profound effect. What I have been trying to say is this: please don't take your degrees and run to the nearest ivory tower. To quote Father MacKinnon, President of St. Francis Xavier University: "the world needs people like you—people of broad sympathies, people who dream dreams, people who are pragmatic and realistic."

If the leaders and innovators of world development do not come from universities, then I ask: from where will they come? We have the potential to serve as models—our education has equipped us for leadership. What we do about world development is going to affect the lives of our children and the lives of children everywhere. We have the choice of remaining isolated within our own environment or of laying the foundations for future change. I believe we have a responsibility to use our minds, to be critical and creative, to reach out and unlock doors. If we do not, we fail this university, we fail those who have supported and encouraged us, and we fail each other.



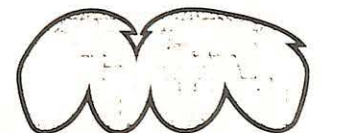
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Alumnae Travel



The Alumnae Office of Mount Saint Vincent University is investigating the possibility of offering travel arrangements as a group to interested members of the university community, family and friends.

We ask your assistance in determining the areas of interest for such a venture. Would you please number in order of preference (ie. 1st, 2nd, 3rd) the destinations you would perhaps wish to visit with such a group. THANK YOU.

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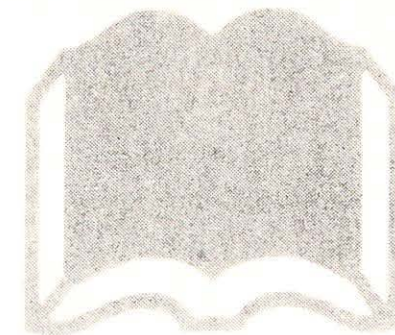
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Create A New Alliance

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Experience in politics has shown me that women can succeed, and succeed well, on their own merit and need not be intimidated by the prospect of breaking new ground.

Attitudes changing

Today many women hold important jobs in all areas of activity. Attitudes are changing, a credit to both men and women. There is a growing awareness that the less authoritarian style of management characteristic of women is at least as effective as men's in coping with the demands of the contemporary workplace. Women's sensitivity to the subtleties of human interaction, her ability to act effectively when various and competing interests are concerned, and a tendency to take a more qualitative, long-term approach to issues is being recognized as a welcome and refreshing perspective in many fields, not least, I might add, in government, where we find an increasing need to accommodate different values, perceptions, aspirations, and methods.

Perhaps the finest hour in the history of Canadian feminism occurred at the signing the new Canadian constitution last spring, which entrenched the principle of equality for women in the legal and political fabric of the country. And yet, there is still so much to do, we must not allow ourselves the luxury of complacency.

A recent report published by the Advisory Council on the Status of Women states that 1980 marked the first time in Canadian history that a majority of women were wage-earners. They point out that it was the changing economic conditions, not the desire for luxury or boredom at home that has pushed women into the work force. Rather than signalling a fundamental shift in women's work, statistics indicate the majority are still employed in the clerical and service industries. In the area of equal work for equal pay, or the relative wages earned by women as compared to men, female workers in 1983 work for wages roughly half as large as men's. Of perhaps particular relevance to the audience here today is the fact that the potential lifetime earnings of a female university graduate are about equal to those of a male high school drop-out, and her peak earnings will never reach the level of those of a male high school graduate.

Not the solution

We have reached a critical state in defining the status of women, a stage which poses complex and difficult questions. If we have merely exchanged the security of domestic independence for the challenge and rewards of an upwardly mobile career, what have we gained? Many feminists have come to this crossroad and are wondering if they have only substituted one half-life for another, distorting the true meaning of liberation. The time has arrived to balance the quotient, to accommodate our newly-gained opportunities.

There is increasing evidence from surveys and studies that young women are placing family and mothering ahead of careers in proportions which indicate they are having second thoughts.

The regression of women to their traditional role is clearly not the solution. We must not allow ourselves to retreat from the progress

that has been made. Rather, we must reaffirm the right of women to participate fully, and be prepared to accept the involvement and responsibility which accompanies that declaration. Beyond that, we must have the courage to bring to the outside world our style of management, not simply ape the approach taken by the men already there, and deal with the complexity of current issues with confidence in our own instincts and judgement.

We can have it all! We can embrace the fullness of life derived from love and work, and we need not do it at the expense of femininity, children or family life; but, we cannot, and we should not, do it alone!

The superwoman phenomena spawned by the fierce independence of the early feminists' approach to women's liberation has created an agenda for the working mother that is clearly exhausting and impractical. We must put aside this misbegotten pride in our own self-sufficiency and begin to take a more practical approach to accommodating our ambitions.

We must acknowledge the confusion that this commitment to equality has brought to men, women and society in general, and appreciate that during the transition men may well feel intimidated or threatened by women who feel equal, and women uncomfortable with men who no longer reflect the macho style. What the early feminists failed to acknowledge was that a harmonious society is based on the interdependence of men and women. To instill and promote animosity between these two elements is invariably counter-productive to the progress of either one. It contradicts all the emotional, sociological and biological forces characteristic of mankind and is destined to eventually suc-

cumb to the power of these forces.

In this same spirit of moderation, we must recognize women's need to have children, and fight for the services and social attitudes which will accommodate this need without compromising her chance for a career or family. Men should, and I am sure will, want to share parental responsibilities more fully with women, and will be quick to realize the satisfaction derived from a greater involvement in their children's up-bringing.

A moderate spirit

We must understand that the liberation of women cannot be accomplished in isolation or in conflict; that women's rights have to be viewed in a larger context that embodies the problems of others in society.

We need to rediscover the power of mutuality, and the practical and emotional stability which results from that mutuality. We must recreate the couple on a new dimension of equality, and re-establish a spirit of good faith between the partners. Men and women need each other as nature itself suggests. We have only to take the principle of mutual commitment embodied in a couple's desire to produce a child together and continue it beyond the biological role required of each.

Ironically, the true liberation of women lies not in rejecting men, but in offering men a more liberated role; not in destroying the institutional framework of the family but in strengthening and moulding it to meet our needs. We must create a new alliance with men, instill in their minds the idea that they too have a stake, that they can share their responsibilities with women, and can profit equally from women's liberation.

PROJECT ONE: Futures for Women FINAL COUNTDOWN

March 1984 3.5 Million (Our Goal)

July 1983 3 Million

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"We Will Be Watching"

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called male fields, because traditional social structures place more financial value on jobs done by men. As soon as female "job ghettos" are entered by men, salaries tend to rise, with accompanying benefits. The most common example of this phenomenon is the teaching profession.

Women today must have freedom of choice: of careers, new initiatives and opportunities, and traditional roles in the home; or any combination thereof. Those women who choose the important, historic role of home-maker, must be recognized in a realistic, viable pension system. Those women who choose the labour force require quality day care at a reasonable cost.

Not all restrictions on women are externally imposed. Women are excluding themselves, to a large extent, from a field that hardly existed when I was happily clutching my Bachelor of Science diploma (now long obsolete). I am referring, of course, to micro-chip technology. The chip is now a necessity of life which is rapidly moving into first place ahead of bread and water. Faced with mathematical formulae, many women react by tensing their back teeth and getting a cloudy look in their eyes. Vocational guidance counsellors and teachers at the junior and high school levels must begin to correct the imbalance in science classes where boys outnumber girls by 2 to 1.

You might have noticed there are more women in the news lately:

Women marching in cities across Canada to protest pornography on pay television.

Women lobbying successfully for new laws on sexual assault.

Women against nuclear arms, against herbicide spraying of our forests.

Women demanding and getting equality in the Charter of Rights and Freedoms, our new constitution.

A handful of women, armed with little more than telephones and typewriters did the unthinkable in three furious weeks of lobbying, to ensure the entrenchment of equal rights for women in the new constitution. In the annals of Canadian lobbying there has never been so improbable a success story. The clause in the Charter making women "equal before and under the law" and outlawing discrimination based on sex, comes into effect in 1985. We will be watching.

In Canada, we are witnessing a growing grass-roots volunteer movement opposed to testing the Cruise missile, opening a national debate on disarmament. Of the estimated 5,000 Montrealers in disarmament groups, two-thirds are women.

Even those who disagree with the aims of these groups will recognize the power and the impact of that power upon society, arising from volunteer groups of average individuals like ourselves.

This day at Mount St. Vincent University is a celebration of people, of obstacles overcome, of achievements, and of our inter-relationships.

We hope and pray for the strength, courage and guidance to expedite our progress and the fulfillment of our graduates in a truly equitable society.

Chapter News

On June 18, 1983, Janet Murray and her husband, Dr. T.J. Murray, hosted a reception for alumnae in St. John's, Newfoundland. This is her account of the event.

The evening was warm and beautiful. The view from the Presidential Suite of the Hotel Newfoundland in St. John's was breathtaking. I was the hostess and my guests were 35 Mount alumnae from the St. John's area.

Joan Sullivan had done a lot of the work before I arrived, and Yvonne Lang and Charlotte Noah arrived early to help welcome the guests. Charlotte, an Academy graduate, was delighted to hear that Sister Paule Cantin, a former Academy teacher, is now Chairperson of the Corporation, as were Academy grads Janet Scott Hillier, Eleanor MacNamara and Sandra Gaudet Mercer. I was delighted to meet Ruby Dewling, who has recently received her Masters degree in Science (Medicine) from Memorial University, as well as an Honorary Life Membership in the Canadian Public Health Association.

When we talked about the alumnae Mentoring program, I said that it reminded me of the Big Sister program at the Mount in the 40's and 50's, and discovered that Marie Hayes Whalen was the Big Sister of Kay Allen who was the Big Sister of Pat Davis Delaney, and all three were together. Barbara Fitzgerald was pleased to learn that alumnae can stay at the Mount when visiting Halifax, and she plans to drop in this summer on her way to Scandinavia, where she will be taking courses in Special Education.

When most of the guests had left, my husband and I kicked off our shoes and had a long chat with Mary Martin Rowe, and her sister, Sister Sheila Martin, who were dividing their time between the Mount party and their step-brother's wedding reception on another floor of the hotel. Mary is a dealer in Inuit art, and we bought a delightful print from her later in the week. I also polished up my cooking skills thanks to a Newfoundland cooking demonstration given later in the week by Mount grad and Home Economist Kitty O'Brien, and heard Jane Dunn's daughters sing with The Killicks. It was a great reunion and we're all looking forward to the next one.

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A group of our Toronto alumnae met with university president, Dr. E. Margaret Fulton at the Elmwood Club in downtown Toronto, on May 26. Dr. Fulton was invited to Toronto to accept a \$4,000 cheque presented to the university by Toronto's International Women's Day Committee. The fund-raising effort, spear-headed by Sarah Kelly of Seneca College, came in response to the Mount's Dollar Campaign—an appeal to Canadian women to provide much-needed funding for scholarships,

bursaries, and research. Terry (MacDonald) Malcolm, BScHEC'72, an active member of the Toronto Chapter, reported a good turnout of Toronto alumnae to witness the presentation. "We were proud to be a part of the Mount", she said. "When you see support for your university coming from such a dynamic group, it really makes you aware of the uniqueness of the Mount and the bond we share with the women of Canada".

Just a few days later on May 30, a group of 25 Annapolis Valley alumnae met with Dr. Fulton at the Wandlyn Inn in Coldbrook. Debbie Pottie-Matheson brought greetings from the alumnae association, and Dr. Fulton and Alumnae Officer, Dilly MacFarlane spoke to the group on recent activities at the Mount.

Some of those attending had not been back to the Mount for many years, and were pleased to browse through class lists, locating long-lost friends and catching up on all the news. Several of the group planned to attend Homecoming, and there was some talk of putting together a "Valley Table" for the Fall Fair in October.

It was an evening of high spirits, according to Lillian (Wagstaff) Elliott, BScSS'39, who later wrote, "The folks of the Mount absolutely spoiled me rotten on that Monday evening—I loved it! Dr. Margaret is a real go-getter and her enthusiasm inoculated us all. What energy! A real mentor, and the best part of it is she's ours!"

The Spirit Lives

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The concern for the poor, Sister developed at St. Patrick's was continued at the University in the provision of grants-in-aid for Canadian Students and for those from developing countries, as she brought to the Mount its first students from the West Indies, China, Africa and refugee students from Europe. Her name is memorialized at the University in a twelve-story residence, but a more important memorial exists in the lives of the many she has influenced.

"And so, Your Grace, because of Sister Francis D'Assisi's

- leadership in the field of education and her far-sighted educational policies,
- her contributions to the expansion of Mount Saint Vincent University,
- her dedication to preparing women to take their place in the professional world,
- and, her fine example as Professional Woman Religious Woman Christian Woman

"I ask you, Reverend Chancellor, in the name of the Senate of Mount Saint Vincent University, to confer on Sister Francis D'Assisi McCarthy, the Degree of Doctor of Humane Letters, Honoris Causa."

Letters

Thank You...

I was very honored to be the recipient of the Sister Rose Celestine Prize for French.
Tanya Levy

Dear Dr. Fulton:

I wish to extend to you my sincere thanks for the kind hospitality and warm reception I received during my visit to Mount Saint Vincent this past Convocation weekend.

As I said in my address to the graduates, I do indeed feel privileged to have been invited to join the Alumni of a university which so obviously represents all that is positive and progressive in the aspirations of women today. One has only to walk through your beautiful campus and speak with your faculty and students to appreciate how successful you have been in attaining the educational goals and standards of the Mount, in educating women not only for success in the professions, but as contributing members of society with the ambition, confidence, and wisdom to tackle the problems and inequalities which sadly do exist. It is heartening to know that women such as these will follow us in the world, that the struggles we have endured and the successes we have achieved have in some small way inspired and benefitted them.

In closing, may I assure you of my continued support and good wishes for the students and staff of the Mount, and thank you once again for allowing me to share in your Convocation celebrations.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Jeanne Sauv 

Dear Madame President:

As I reflect on the high honour bestowed upon me by Mount Saint Vincent University, I am aware of the depth of my indebtedness to many people for this unexpected recognition: to the Senators for their approval; to the Chancellor for his hospitality at dinner and the sincerity of his citation; to Dr. Medjuck for the heart-warming presentation; to you for your cordial support; to the members of the Mount Saint Vincent community for their encouragement to this novice. My gratitude goes to all.

May I express the hope that Mount Saint Vincent University will prosper and flourish in the years ahead as it continues to serve the educational needs of so many. I am one of those who will always support it.

Thank you again, Madame President, for your many kindnesses.

Yours sincerely,

Anita Dubinsky
B.Sc., D.Hum.L.

Dear Dulcie:

To express appreciation of your efforts to make everything "just right" and to thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Sister Francis d'Assisi

Halifax, Nova Scotia
May 1983

Dear Dilly:

Would you kindly convey to the members of the Mount Saint Vincent Alumnae Association my sincere thanks for the honour accorded me during recent convocation events. The receipt of a cheque from the alumnae association given in honour of Sister Francis d'Assisi McCarthy as a history award was much appreciated. It was indeed a memorable experience to have Sister Francis d'Assisi present the award in person at the alumnae reception on May 7th.

Thank you for your most kind letter and telephone call informing me of this unexpected tribute.

Wishing you a pleasant and refreshing summer.

Sincerely,
Betty Hall

St. John, New Brunswick
June 1983

Dear Dilly:

Just a note to say how pleased I was to see your Alzheimer's article in *Insight Plus* ("Desperate to Learn About a Killer", April, 1983). I want to thank you for your interest, and for the publicity for Alzheimer's which we so badly need.

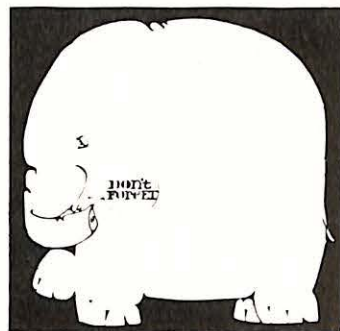
I am delighted to be able to tell you that after approaching the past president of the Saint John, N.B. Gerontology Society, I was able to convince her of the need for an Alzheimer's Society in New Brunswick, the only province without even a support group. We arranged a meeting, and about 18 arrived (16 women and 2 men)—all professionals in nursing, geriatrics, hospitals, V.O.N., social workers, etc. Unfortunately, no doctors. We got a New Brunswick branch off the ground, though!

Now for press reports, church bulletins, radio and T.V., etc., etc., and a public meeting in September. I was asked to speak, outlining the procedures we had taken in organizing the Nova Scotia Branch at the Mount. Lots of hard work, but very rewarding. Thanks again, Dilly, and we'll see you at Homecoming on July 30th.

Best wishes,
Constance (Connie) Baird, BA'29

Editor's Note: For further information on the Alzheimer's Society, please contact the Alumnae Office, Mount Saint Vincent University, 166 Bedford Highway, Halifax, N.S. B3M 2J6, phone 443-4450, loc. 136. New Brunswick inquiries may be addressed to Mrs. Constance Baird, 824 Manawagonish Road, Saint John, N.B. E2M 3X1.

Alumnae Fall Fair '83



Our Alumnae Fall Fair is scheduled for October 22nd, and you'll be pleased to learn that our Fall Fair '83 committee has been meeting for several months now under the chairmanship of Marie Hodgson Ac'65, BA'69, BED'70. Convenors for the various tables are: Tea Table—Janis Aitken and Ducksie Stoddard; Baked Goods—Barbara Higgins; Candy—Marcia Meagher; Sewing and Knitted Goods—Yvette Chiasson; Books, Records and Magazines—Kathryn Mahoney; White Elephant Table—Pat Whitman; Christmas Table—Joy Williams; Door Prizes and Raffles—Elaine Sharp and Sue Gavin; Publicity—Janet Murray; Mount Memorabilia and Children's Table—Linda MacLellan and Elaine Sharp; Valley Table—Carol Belliveau.

The committee will be conducting telethons in the local area to solicit goods for many of the tables, so expect to hear from us in early October. Following the fine example set by the Toronto Chapter last year, we are also expecting to receive group packages from other chapters.

Beginning in September, we will be holding a number of craft-making bees to provide goods for the various craft tables, and donations are now being sought. Among other fancy odds and ends, we will be needing your excellent craft ideas, bits of lace, sequins, beads, Christmas prints and bright fabric pieces, embroidery floss and plenty of willing hands. We're hoping to make this the best Fall Fair ever, and we have a tough act to follow. Last year's Fair earned more than \$5,000, and with your support, we can do it all again. Please call the Alumnae Office at 443-4450, loc. 136 if you can help in any way.

There is one thing that we can all do. Get out your calendar, turn it to Saturday, October 22nd and write in big letters: Annual Mount Fall Fair, in the Multi-Purpose Room, Rosaria Centre from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. See you there!





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We've come a long way since our records were destroyed by fire in 1951. There are now 6,212 of your names on our computer. There are still 1,165 names missing. Other Canadian/American universities have 40 to 50 per cent of their alumni with addresses unknown. Only 16 per cent of ours are not listed thanks to your interest and loyalty.

But we are not satisfied. We want to know what has happened to everyone who went to the Mount — your graduate degrees, your career advancements, your family news, your changes of address and about the deaths of classmates.

Because antique records are one thing we can't afford not to collect, contact us soon! Alumnae Office, Evaristus Hall, Mount Saint Vincent University, 166 Bedford Highway, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, B3M 2J6 or call (902-443-4450, Ex. 136).