# Mount Saint Vincent University, Halifax, Nova Scotia

# Mount President Named Vice-Chair of Peace Institute

Mount president Dr. E.M. Fulton has been named vice-chair of the newly constituted Canadian Institute for International Peace and Security which held its first organizational meeting in Ottawa recently.

Former Canadian ambassador to the United Nations William H. Barton, Ottawa, was named chair of the 17-member board of directors at the meeting and at press time had already proceeded to find quarters and hire temporary administrative

ext on the agenda will be to find suitable candidate to install as the body's executive director.

"First we have to determine if there is any among the 14 members already appointed who would like the position and if not we already have a raft of applications from those expressing interest in the institute," said Dr. Fulton.

"This is a most exciting time and we are all most anxious to proceed with the task before us . . . to increase knowledge and understanding of the issues relating to international peace and security from a Canadian perspective . . . jus as soon as possible," she said.

Some of the things the institute has been empowered to do are to establish a library and information and data centres, and to set up facilities for research and other activities relevant to its mission. It's also expected to support and assist in research projects by governments, and by international, public and private organizations and agencies including universities like the Mount.

The institute will also be expected to establish and award scholar-ships/fellowships for Canadians and others.

According to the legislation which ablished the institute, passed by e House of Commons on June 28, 1984, as vice-chair Dr. Fulton will assume all the responsibilities of the chair should Barton become incapacitated.

All directors, other than the executive director, will be paid fees for attendance at meetings or for work performed for the institute. These fees are fixed by the federal cabinet as well as the salary and remunerations paid to the executive director.

According to legislation, it will be up to government to pay \$1.5 million to the institute "on the coming into force" of the legislation; and in the fiscal years following \$2.5 million (1985-86); \$3 million (1986-87); \$4 million (1987-88); \$5 million (1988-89). In each year following there after, \$5 million "or such greater amount as may be appropriated by Parliament" will keep the work of the institute going.

It will be incumbent upon the chair to report to the Minister of External Affairs who, in turn, will place the report before Parliament 15 days after receiving same.

Apart from Dr. Fulton, other prominent Canadian women serving on the board are: Dr. W. Harriet Critchley, University of Calgary; Dr. Lois Wilson, former moderator of the United Church of Canada (and honorary degree recipient of the Mount); and Joanna Miller of Saskatoon.

Representatives of the Canadian Labour Congress, Canadian Institute for Strategic Studies, Power Corporation of Canada and Donner Foundation are also included.

# **Student Month**

The Mayor of Halifax declared October as the city's second annual International Student Month. Students, staff and faculty of the five Halifax post-secondary institutions are taking part in workshops on health services and insurance, housing, and fees for international students. Community groups such as the Royal Commonwealth Society, Rotary Club and Host Family



Halifax Mayor Ron Wallace discusses plans for International Students' Month with Alex Gigenoff, president Dalhousie Student Union (left); Yvette Webster, president of the Mount's International Students' Association (center) and Majid Addo, president of Dal's International Students' Association.

Association are also actively involved. George Tillman, CBIE's Director of International Student Affairs, was invited to speak on study in Canada and perspectives in international education. Cultural events include a series of documentary and feature films from around the world.

Karanja Njoroge, Overseas Student Coordinator at Dalhousie University, says that the success of last year's celebration encouraged organizers to stage a repeat—with changes and improvements. For instance, there are more cultural activities this year and new workshops. Last year's workshop on immigration won't be redone because the first one managed to resolve most of the problems between international students and Immigration Canada

International Student Month has proven both an effective means of problem-solving and of "increasing the community's awareness of international students and forging a better relationship between them," says Njoroge.

# Pulling Aside The Iron Curtain

A visiting delegation of Soviet scientists and educators will be giving a series of public lectures at the Mount during Disarmament Week.

Monday, October 29, V.M.
Pivivorov, head of Research
Laboratory, Institute of General
Pedagogy of the USSR Academy of
Pedagogical Sciences, will talk on
Education and Upbringing in the
Spirit of Peace in the Soviet School.

Tuesday, October 30, M.I. Kuzin, Director of the Vishnevski Institute of Surgery and a member of "Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War", together with Alexander Szarkov, Professor of International Relations at the Academy of Social Sciences, will lecture on The Arms of Mass Destruction: Social and Biological Consequences.

Wednesday, October 31, V.I.

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# **Fall Graduation** List Approved

Ninety-one students have completed the requirements for degrees. diplomas and certificates in a Fall graduation list approved by Senate at its last meeting. These graduates will be eligible to attend the Convocation in May if they so wish:

Certificate in Business Administration Barry Douglas Bennett, Halifax, NS; David William Devenne, Dartmouth, NS; Frances Catherine Kelly, Halifax, NS; Wayne William Wood, Lower Sackville, NS.

Certificate in Gerontology Rosanna Califano, Windsor, Ont.; Lucille Yvonne Doiron, Hunter River, PEI; Joyce Lilian Ward, Bedford,

#### Diploma in Legal Secretarial Studies

Angela Gertrude Snide, Halifax, NS; Lynda J.G. Sprague, Ottawa, Ont.

#### Diploma in Medical Secretarial Studies

Shelley Lynn Hood, Halifax, NS.

Degree of Bachelor of Arts Hendrika Margaretha Adams, Delray Beach, Florida USA; Apostolos Vasilios Apostolidis, Dartmouth, NS; Linda Louise Anne Boucher, New Glasgow, NS; Ann Bernadette Coffin, Lower Sackville, NS; Duncan Cameron Conrad, Dartmouth, NS; Mary Elizabeth Johnson, Halifax, NS; Nancy L. Martineau, Lower Sackville, NS; Cheryl Lynn Townsend Rice McFadden, Dartmouth, NS; Mary Elizabeth McVey, Dartmouth, NS; Gail L. Murray, Victoria, BC; Anita Christine Newson, Lower Sackville, NS; Deborah Jane Phillips Halifax, NS; Jill Ann Roberts, Somerset, Bermuda; Carolyn Robinson, Center Burlington, NS; Anita Jean Silliker, Moncton, NB; Angela Wai Ling Tung, Hong Kong; Robert Gary Turner, Halifax, NS; Frances Elizabeth Anne White, Saint John, NB; Thomas Craig White, Calgary, Alta.

#### Degree of Bachelor of Arts, with Distinction

Sylvia Mary Ann McDonald, Halifax, NS; Kathleen Ann Welsh, Wolfville, NS; Wai Ching Ophelia Yam, Kowloon, Hong Kong.

Degree of Bachelor of Arts Honours Katalin Bodnar Allen (with first class honours), Halifax, NS.

Degree of Bachelor of Secretarial Arts Jennifer Royce Ashley, Ottawa, Ont.; Suzanne Louise Beals, Lawrencetown, NS; Natalie Eldora Francis, LeQuille, NS; Margaret Anne Hastings-James, Halifax, NS; Anne Marie Hatfield, Springhill, NS; Rosanne Sherry White, Riverview, NB; Diane Phyllis Wright, Truro, NS.

#### Degree of Bachelor of Business Administration

Pamela Aldhelm-White, Halifax, NS;

Katherine Julia Simon, Halifax, NS; Teng, King Hua, Halifax, NS.

Degree of Bachelor of Child Study Elaine Irene Doucette, Tignish, PEI; Bonita Lantz, New Germany, NS.

#### Degree of Bachelor of Home Economics

Mary-Louise Hames, Halifax, NS; Mary Anne Jay, Fredericton, NB.

#### Degree of Bachelor of Home Economics, with Distinction

Judith Ann Dickson, Dartmouth, NS; Dawn Angela Lewis (Co-Op Education Option), Dartmouth, NS.

Degree of Bachelor of Science Laura Lee Boutilier, Lower Sackville, NS; Earl Warren Ferguson, Ottawa, Ont.; Marion Ellen Kenalty. Saskatoon, Sask.; Gerald Leo Shea, Halifax, NS: Richard James Watson, Dartmouth, NS; Tamara Rachel Young, R.R. 1 Armdale, NS.

#### Degree of Bachelor of Public Relations

Janet Elizabeth Bragg, Willowdale, Ont.; Carol Jean Dobson, Halifax, NS: Diana Lynn Ewert, Dartmouth, NS; Michael George Harper, Halifax, NS; Mary Charlotte Hynes, Dartmouth, NS; Mary Anna Jollymore, Halifax, NS; B. Angela Murray (Co-Op Education Option), Timberlea, NS; Sylvia Ruth Sharp, Apohagio, NB.

#### Degree of Public Relations, with Distinction

Margaret Cynthia McKee (Co-Op Education Option), Calgary, Alta.; Sheldon Alan Rose (Co-Op Education Option), Halifax, NS.

#### Degree of Bachelor of Education in Association with Teachers College with Distinction

Shirley Anne Theriault, Dartmouth,

Degree of Bachelor of Education Penelope Doris Bell, Halifax, NS; Janice Ann Corbett, Purcell's Cove, NS; Patricia Noreen Holton, Campbellton, NB; Ruth Lilian Livingstone, Charlottetown, PEI; Janet Lynn McMillan, Bridgewater, NS: Margaret Geraldine Murray, Dartmouth, NS; Brian Lester Rhodenizer, Liverpool, NS; Muriel Elizabeth Salyzyn, Dartmouth, NS.

Degree of Master of Education

Rose Marie Benoit, Grand Falls, Nfld.; Hildegard M. Carson, Dartmouth, NS; Gail Rose Comeau, Meteghan, NS; Marilyn Ann Drouillard, Surrey, BC; Wanda Geddes, Halifax NS; Barbara Belle Gordon, San Francisco, California, USA; Elizabeth Elinor Gromick, Dartmouth, NS; Wesley Franklyn Harris, Hermitage, Nfld; Dolores Minkus Hofley, Winnipeg, Man.;

Benetta Yvette LeBlanc, Halifax, NS;

Edwina Wittgens, Antigonish, NS.

Martina Anne MacDonald, Halifax, NS; Mary-Ellen MacMillan, Charlottetown, PEI; Norman MacMullin, Dartmouth, NS; Barbara Joan Shea, Halifax NS; Linda Mary Sutherland, Halifax NS: Ann Brothwell Vibert, Truro, NS; Frances

Fisheries Food Centre Centre alimentaire des pêches



Janice Warren was one of eight Home Economics students from the Mount to take part in the Food Fair held recently in the Halifax Metro Centre. Others involved were Joyce Ledwedge, Monica Hammond, Wanda Manette, Karen Thomson, Colleen Sullivan, Nichole Deveau and Karen Gibson.

#### Readers Needed

The Community Tape Resource Library at Saint Mary's University is looking for experienced volunteers to read text material onto cassette tapes for use by visually-impaired and print-handicapped students attending Maritime universities.

The tape library is the only centre in the Atlantic region that provides recordings of print material for postsecondary students and professionals. Any individual who cannot read because of a physical handicap—and that includes both the visuallyimpaired and paraplegics who cannot hold a book-may request recordings for study or professional use.

All readers are volunteers drawn from the university and local community who can offer the time to complete recordings. Each volunteer is asked to complete a sample recording to ensure they can read clearly and at a good speed, with correct intonation and no discernible accent. How much time is required depends on the nature of the recording. Short passages from textbooks may take only an hour or two of a reader's time; full texts or difficult passages explaining graphs may take up to a week or longer to complete.

Interested persons should call the Community Tape Resource Library at Saint Mary's University, 429-9780, ext. 449.

## In Memoriam

Mount Saint Vincent University extends sympathy to food services director Clyde Bishop and his family on the recent death of his mother. Mrs. Leota Bishop of Dartmouth. Nova Scotia. We know she will be missed greatly.

# Micmac By Choice

Two years ago, when Sr. Olga McKenna of the Education Department, went to see the play "Everloving"-all about British war brides-she found herself thinking about one particular war bride, Elsie Houghton, an English nurse who met and married a Micmac Indian, John Sark, and came to live with him on the Reserve on Lennox Island, P.E.I., after the First World War.

Elsie Houghton Sark chose to leave her homeland, friends, work and family, to live in this remote spot, in an alien culture, not knowing a soul except her husband.

She became a legend in her time, and Sr. Olga felt that of all war brides, she surely deserved to have her story told.

Accordingly, she applied for, and received internal funding to gather research material for a book Micmac by Choice: Elsie Houghton Sark, 1892-1973 which she is now in the process of completing.

It's been a fascinating study, according to Sr. Olga.

"During her 55 years on Lennox Island," she says, "Elsie Sark was a good wife and mother (she had six children), a farmer, nurse, recordkeeper and social worker. She proved herself equal to coping with the limitations of an isolated environment, which lacked even basic physical amenities, and in the process helped to preserve, strengthen and enhance strong family ties within the Micmac community.'

Sr. Olga's research has taken her to Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and England, where she met Elsie's only living sister, Nellie, who is now 85 and who took her on foot to "every place in Dover (Elsie's home town) which was of significance for the Houghton family.

She spent weeks searching out old documents, talking to old friends and relatives of Elsie's, visiting the scenes of her childhood and youth and came back with a wealth of information which she says, "gave me an excellent head-start for the proposed biography."

The culture shock for Elsie Sark must have been great when she first arrived at Lennox Island. Cut off from the mainland of PEI by a stretch of water impassable during the winter months, she never wavered in her decision to make her life there. Her father-in-law was chief of the Lennox Island Band, and later, her son, Jack, became chief. Her husband, John had renounced his rights as chief after he joined the Canadian Forces and went overse

The present chief's wife is Mar-Francis, a graduate of the Mount.

"It was rather ironic that the causeway from the mainland to Lennox Island was completed only two months after Elsie's death," Sr.

Olga says. "When they opened it officially they said it was a symbol of the meeting place of two cultures, but I personally feel that Elsie Sark was that symbol.

Sr. Olga hopes to have her bioaphy of this extraordinary woman, British by birth, Micmac by marriage, completed by the end of the year.

"I want it to act as a springboard to further books I'm planning on women educators," she says.

# **Public Lecture** Series Underway

Sr. Sheilagh Martin, Associate Professor in the Biology Department, has agreed to co-ordinate the Mount's Public Lecture Series for the next two

Taking over from Dr. Rosemarie Sampson, Martin would like to encourage any member of the Mount community who has suggestions for speakers to contact her soon.

Lectures will be scheduled for the second semester, January to March.

The Honorable Thomas R. Berger, University of British Columbia, is scheduled to speak on some of the practical and ethical issues he has had to deal with in the Canadian context. His lecture is set for February 14.

Other public lectures are scheduled raroughout the year, which are not part of the Public Lecture Series as such. In October alone, there were The Elizabeth Seton Lectures (sponsored by the Sisters of Charity, with speaker Dr. Gregory Baum); the Russian scientists' lectures throughout the week of October 26 to November 2 (sponsored by the Association of Atlantic Universities); Canadian broadcaster/writer Erika Ritter, lecturing in conjunction with the annual conference of Atlantic University Teachers of English, and American psychotherapists Drs. Marlene Boskind-White and William Clinton-White, who discussed the serious consequences of eating disorders.

In addition to these, the C.I.L. Lectures are scheduled for January 17, with this year's speaker Dr. Joyce Beare-Rogers from the Bureau of Nutritional Sciences, Health and Welfare Canada. The C.I.L. Corporation sponsors this annual visit of a prestigious scientist to the Mount campus.

Last year's Public Lecture Series included an historian, medical doctor, political scientist, music historian, playwright, public relations practitioner, sociologist and a physicist.

Martin says this is one consideration-that the lecture series should cover a variety of disciplines, and speakers should be chosen to appeal to a number of people.



Mary Moore Uhl, Assistant to the President for Finance and Planning, punches in the information for a nutrient intake report - a new computer devised by Robert Farmer, Director, Computer Services (left) and Dr. Susan Whiting, Home Economics Department (right). Carolann Wardrope, systems analyst, (centre) was keeping a watchful eye on the computers during the Open House held at the Centre this month

# The Computer Tells All!

You are what you eat, they tell us, but if you really want to know what that means, go along to the Home Economics Department and get a nutrient intake report done on yourself.

This new computer program, devised by Dr. Susan Whiting and Robert Farmer, Computer Services Director, will print out all the nutrients contained in the foods you

All you do is punch in the meal you had, and out come the answers.

A sample dinner of lamb, potatoes and snap beans, for instance, shows intake amounts of 20.13 gm protein, 4.29 gm fat, 25.65 gm carbohydrate, 18.19 mg calcium, 2.20 mg iron, 220.33 mg phosphorus, 800.68 mg

potassium, 46.10 mg sodium, 24 mg vitamin C, 0.23 mg thiamin, 0.24 mg riboflavin, 9.59 NE niacin, 0.59 mg vitamin B-6, 22.33 mcg folacin, 1.57 mcg vitamin B-12, 59.17 mg cholesterol.

Another column gives the recommended daily nutrient intake, so you can figure out for yourself whether you're getting enough of the right nutrients so essential for good health

generated by the open house held at the Computer Centre last month to demonstrate the new program, with faculty, administration and students dropping in during the day to find out just what they had put into their bodies with their latest meal.

The nutrient intake program will have lots of uses, especially for those on special diets or on slimming programs (it gives you a calorie

non-Commonwealth students were There was a fair amount of interest months. The Ministers also expressed their

our governments in this area is essential. We pledge ourselves to promote consultations whenever major adjustments to policies affecting students from other Commonwealth countries are contemplated.'

(Canadian Bureau for International

#### Canada Pledges 200 New **Commonwealth Awards**

Canadian delegates to the ninth conference of Commonwealth Education Ministers announced that Canada would increase the number of its awards under the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan (CSFP) for 300 to 500 by late 1985.

Thirteen other countries added smaller numbers of awards, bringing the total to at least 1,650 by 1985, or 150 over an earlier target figure.

This is something of a breakthrough for proponents of educational exchange within the Commonwealth, who have seen the enrolment of Commonwealth students in Britain fall by 40 per cent in three years and the imposition of differential fees in Canada and elswehere

T.H.B. Symons, who, as co-author of Some Questions of Balance and chairman of the Canadian CSFP committee, is largely responsible for the generous Canadian commitment, calls it "the culmination of a lot of behind-the-scenes work." He also points out that the Canadian pledge spurred a major chain reaction at the Ministers' conference.

Thirty-four countries attended the conference, held in Nicosia, Cyprus, from July 23-26. The Canadian delegation included representatives of the federal departments of External Affairs and the Secretary of State, and Hon. Terence Donahoe, the Minister of Education for Nova Scotia and current chairman of the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada,

who made the announcement.

International student mobility was high on the agenda. The tone was set by Sir Shridath Ramphal, the Commonwealth Secretary-General, in the opening address: "I look on educational interchange as a sort of 'Stalingrad' in the campaign for world order," he said. "If the principle of internationalism in education falters now, then nothing is safe from self-centred destructive nationalism.

The British fee policy in particular received harsh criticism from Ramphal and the representatives of several developing countries, with the Minister of Education for Zimbabwe, Hon. Dzingai Mutumbuka, calling student mobility a matter of life and death for some of those countries. The Ministers issued a statement

on mobility in which they endorsed the Third Report of the Commonwealth Standing Committee on Student Mobility and expressed their "disappointment and unease" at the current situation. They called for a halt to the "rising tide of protectionism" which threatens student movement. Despite opposition from Peter Brooke, Britain's under-secretary for higher education, they affirmed that "fees or equivalent charges levied on students from other Commonwealth countries should be less than 'full cost'." Countries which currently charge higher fees to Commonwealth than to urged to review their practices and report back to the conference in 15

"conviction that consultation between

Education, Communications)

# Classified Ads

Assertiveness Training for Women and The Computer And You are just two of the programs starting soon. Call The Centre for Continuing Education on these and other noncredit offerings.

Wanted: spacious, comfortable home wanted within walking distance of Dalhousie University. Contact Carole Hartzman, Seton 323, extension 170.

Student Special now \$35 for all aerobics classes offered until April-includes total of 13 classes per week, to pick and choose—Sign up at Athletics/Recreation Office NOW

For Sale: authentic Eskimo parka, fully-lined duffle and outer waterproof shell. Size 14, red. \$100, 865-7139 evenings.





Perhaps one of the best-known names on the Mount Saint Vincent University campus belongs to Peggy Stephens, supervisor of secretarial services, micom, print shop and mail room. A totally "unflappable" woman in even the worst crises, her face is pretty familiar, too.

Most faculty members, staff and administrators deal with her for various services at one time or another, as well as many students involved in societies or council activities. The print shop goes day and most nights trying to keep up with the paper flow.

Stephens started working in the clerical office at the Mount in 1967 when it was located in what is now the Home Economics wing of Evaristus Hall. There were four secretaries and a supervisor then, but in addition to secretarial services and printing they were also responsible for sorting and delivering all the mail. Stephens says, "we used to run down to Rosaria Hall to drop off the mail in the old metal faculty boxes, grab a coffee and run back up through the tunnel to Evaristus, because we knew the sisters would be timing us!"

A move to the business office made her responsible for computerizing the entire payroll. Then she worked "between the president's and dean's secretaries"-she helped both during Dr. Catherine Wallace's tenure as president and says she really enjoyed the daily challenge.

From there she went to the registrar's office, starting her new duties the first week of classes. This was Stephens' first actual contact with students, and what a baptism! When the registrar went away for the month of October, Stephens represented her at meetings and prepared statistical reports for the president-a considerable undertaking for someone new on the job. But she proved her worth and started working on developing her famous sense of humor-a trait she has finely tuned in the ensuing years. "You have to have a sense of humor to work in a madhouse like this," she

Stephens was appointed Supervisor of Secretarial Services in the newlyopened Seton Academic Centre in 1972 and six months later, the mail room and print shop became her responsibilities too. At that time only Reine Larouche and Stephens were in the secretarial office. "We had lots of space in this building and I often think back to the time when we thought we'd never fill it . . . everything was so brand new . . . we had facilities like we had never had

The following years were exciting. There were many changes taking place not just at the university but for the women who worked at the Mount as well. "We had to stand up and fight for our rights like anywhere else. We established the Mount Saint Vincent Staff Association and I was president for a while."

Today, Stephens and her crew of nine are still turning out three times the work of any other comparable unit. In the print shop, where the work has tripled in the last few years, they don't know how to say no to last-minute requests which keep them working late nights and on weekends. "Most people who come to see us are in the same boat . . . they have to respond to someone else's demands," says Stephens.

In addition to the printing for all faculty needs, Stephens ensures the print shop runs smoothly with large jobs for the Public Relations Office (including The Connection, printed regularly to very tight deadlines) and university-sponsored conferences, and research projects carried out by both faculty and students.

Stephens says experience gained in different departments of the university gave her a good chance to get to know the whole system, so she has a good idea of what some of the needs and deadlines are which all have to work with.

"Every day seems like a half hour, it goes so fast," Stephens says, trying to keep up with daily deadlines and regular crisis situations. "But without the goodwill of all those who work with me, my job would certainly be

In her own time, Stephens juggles a busy home life with one course each year toward a Bachelor of Business Administration degree. "If I'm 92, I'm going to get it finished!" she says. But it won't take her that long-she's about half-way through already. Then maybe she'll be ready to take on even more challenges.

So what's Stephens one complaint in life? "I'd like to have one private space on campus, where I could go and concentrate for more than two minutes at a time, to get something finished. Just a small private space. With the amount of work she gets accomplished now, just think what she could do with that private space!

# Male Enrolment Continues To Climb—Stats Show

Mount registrar Diane Morris has circulated the following tabulations to assist in the "more males on campus speculation" taking place:

#### Table I Male Enrolment as Percentage of Student Body October 1984

	1.	Total studen				
		1984	562 males/3356 total	=	16.79	
		1983	538 males/3273 total	=	16.4%	
	2.	Full-time en				
		1984	301/1984	=	15%	
		1983	239/1809	=	13%	
	2a.	2a. New full-time enrolment				
		1984	143/848		17%	
		1983	112/806	=	14%	
	3.	Part-time en				
		1984	261/1372	=	19%	
		1983	299/1464	=	20%	
3a. New part-time enrolment						
		1984	106/467	=	23%	
		1983	153/611	=	25%	

All figures based on 1 October preliminary enrolment stats

#### TABLE II Significant Male Enrolments by Programs Full-time study October 1984 and 1983

	Octo		
	men/total	percentage in program	percentage of male population
BA	(84) 96/512	19%	32%
	(83) 64/425	15%	28%
BSc	(84) 48/175	27%	16%
	(83) 43/146	29%	18%
BBA	(84) 69/215	32%	23 %
	(83) 52/196	26%	22 %
BPR	(84) 25/187	13%	8%
	(83) 31/197	16%	13%
BEd	(84) 11/ 67	16%	4%
	(83) 6/ 62	10%	3%
Masters	(84) 7/ 29 (83) 1/ 11	24% 9%	$\frac{2\%}{0.4\%}$
All other	programs		15% 16%

All figures based on 1 October preliminary enrolment stats.

#### A Friend In Need

Mount business administration student Rick Walkden (Cert. Bus. '84), who has been in the Victoria General Hospital since late August. could stand some cheering up. His parents can't get up from Cape Breton all that often, so it's up to his Mount family to get those cards and letters flowing.

Rick's non-student activities for the past three years have included working for the university's housekeeping staff and his cheerful bartending at Vinnie's Pub.

While many of the Mount staff, including Michael Merrigan, Neit Castle, Bonnie Broderick and Elsi Connolly have been in for visits, more cards, visits and prayers would be appreciated-Victoria General, 8th



Alexa MacDonough, leader of the Nova Scotia New Democratic Party, was on campus this month to talk to Mount students who are interested in forming a Young New Democrats Association.

Dr. Diana Carl, co-ordinator for

the Mount's DUET program, will be

presenting a paper at the Canadian

Satellite Users Conference in Ottawa

Here, in part, is what she will be

"I can't begin to relate to you the

number of conferences I have been to

and papers I have seen in which it is

very obvious that the assumptions

underlying commercial broadcast

videoconference presentation with

"For example, one producer of

that all telephone calls coming into

the conference be screened so that

air (this was a closed circuit

"Another insisted that each

personality' who was capable of

'keeping the show moving.' Still

constructed and that participants

"Imagine yourself insisting to your

chief executive officer that s/he wear

videoconferencing because s/he is not

"These have potentially negative

videoconferences as a routine service.

Broadcast television may resemble

videoconferencing but has different

functions, audiences, and outcomes.

"Adherence to television-based

should be accepted only if it can be

shown that the assumption is central

conference. The next time you watch

commercial television, look closely at

"Commercial television has a look

intended to grab a share of the mass

audience, so it is very selective about

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interests of establishing routine use of

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tions of telling your Director of

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only the most interesting were put on

television have dominated the

next month.

telling her audience:

alarming results.

**DUET Tries to be User-Friendly—Says Carl** 

be 'on TV'.

program in 1981, we were faced with

others to which we related did believe

that only the special and costly could

"We have now come to the point

where faculty believe they can use

Distance University Education via

Television for their routine distance

education needs, and where others

outside the university are readily

accepting the kind of service and

"When we began DUET our

mandate was to unite the university,

distant students, and industry using

high technology so that the resources

professional development. This was

then and is now the basis for the

Mount's use of videoconferencing.

businesses in helping them develop

their human resource potential but

enabled the university to do this as

well as it was able.

electronically.

barriers have existed which have not

"For example, it is costly to send a

number of employees to campus for

extended periods to complete degree

programs; as well, it is also costly

and ineffective to bring faculty or

experts to the workplace to conduct

"Other elements influenced our

decision to use videoconferencing to

deliver university credit courses. We

could have elected to use videotapes,

correspondence packages. But these

did not lend themselves to the kind of

computer-based instruction, and

interaction which characterizes a

"We know from learning

paradigms that interaction was

and that passive learners easily

become bored learners.

necessary for a student to learn well

"But more than that, there is

another important dimension which

affected our decision. Professors at

university are living scholars who are

constantly aware of the most current

information available on a subject

and who should be able to be spon-

taneous in addressing student needs

university education.

educational sessions. Videoconfer-

encing was a logical way to bring

faculty and students together

"The university has much to offer

of the university could be more

readily accessible to industry for

product we have to offer.

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### **Equal Treatment Barrier Gone**

by Rusty Brown (NEA Columnist)

When I wrote about sexism in the newspapers a couple of weeks ago, little did I know that a major change was about to take place. A barrier to equal treatment in the press has just collapsed.

As of last month, United Press International, one of the two largest wire services serving thousands of the nation's newspapers, stopped using

for dialogue, and verbal and visual

responses to their questions. This is

the kind of experience we felt charac-

and the kind of experience we wanted

"In developing DUET the Mount

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distance students to have.

news stories. I never think of them as courtesy titles, however. I call them sexist miss-takes. They put undue attention on a woman's marital status-an attention focussed on women but not

Miss, Mrs. and Ms. before a

I'm delighted. I have long been

opposed to "courtesy titles"-which is

what Miss, Mrs. and Ms. are called.

Courtesy titles were required by UPI

in second references to women in

woman's name.

Men are referred to by last names only in second reference. Tom Jones, for example, becomes simply Jones. We think nothing of referring to Shakespeare, Picasso or Reagan, in just that way.

What's really interesting is that we owe this breakthrough to the nomination of Geraldine Ferraro. Win or lose, she's already had an impact on the language. In an advisory note the country, UPI explained that the Ferraro nomination had created a "fresh concern" about the custom of

Wire service officials admitted they

the advisory, "to drop all courtesy titles for women in news stories. to comb through all wire stories to eliminate the titles has become burdensome.

For years, I have been waiting for quently write about women newsmakers. It has always seemed for example, as Ms. Ride. It has

 that decisions about the use of DUET for distance education should be left in the hands of the faculty member as long as the choices made are informed choices

• that learning at a distance should provide the same or on-par experiences as are available oncampus

DUET staff work very closely with faculty to insure they understand DUET is THEIR system for distance education. DUET is a distance teaching tool in the same way the overhead projector is a teaching tool. The system should be as easy and effective to use as possible. In all respects DUET has to be as user-

costly and inefficient methods as had some others. We committed ourselves courtesy titles. to melding technology with the existing organizational structures of the university with minimal reallocation of resources, basing our operation on these articulated assumptions: • that university professors have been

given the responsibility and authority to teach given courses within the university and that it is a viable delegation for distance education • that the university course has been

developed by the faculty member using acceptable standards and methods, and that these and the faculty member are scrutinized regularly through peer, student, and university senate evaluations

• that there is nothing inherently wrong with the ways in which the courses are structured that cannot be corrected through existing university administrative channels

"In total, the university has value and strength and control mechanisms in its present structure which should be the basis for providing distance education and which is ideal for videoconferencing.

"Faculty are the key to DUET. friendly to faculty as possible. This is our prime consideration.

sent to subscriber newspapers around

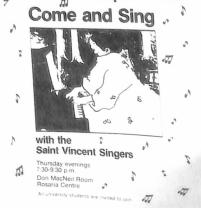
were bowing to pressure from within. "UPI has had numerous requests from editors in recent weeks," read

Those editors have emphasized that the majority of newspapers no longer use courtesy titles, and the necessity

this moment. That's because I freawkward, ridiculous and irrelevant to me to have to refer to someone like astronaut-astrophysicist Sally Ride, seemed equally irrelevant to call a divorced company president Mrs. Jones or Ms. Jones in the second reference.

Four years ago, I invited women to write to me about their feelings on the subject. I received 400 letters in a week, proving that women certainly had strong opinions.

More than half of the women responding liked courtesy titles because they associated them with (continued on page 8)





Dr. Elizabeth Gerver. Director of the Scottish Institute of Adult Education (right), was at the Mount to discuss links between adult educators in Scotland and Nova Scotia. While here, she met with a number of faculty and administrative staff including (L to R) Dr. Jane Gordon, Sociology Department; Dr. Mairi Macdonald, Director, Continuing Education and Jean Hartley, Associate Director, Continuing Education.

#### New and Old Scotland Form Link

the phone system is so bad!"

of information between adult

educators in Scotland and Nova

Scotia; to initiate exchanges of

printed materials about adult and

continuing education; to arrange for

presentations of papers at conferences

and for the submission of articles in

to initiate academic exchanges and

ment of joint projects including

continuing education.

comparative research in adult and

The Scottish Institute of Adult

Education was formed in 1949 when.

for administrative and legal reasons,

it was necessary to divide what had

been the British Institute of Adult

Education into two separate organiza-

tions, north and south of the border.

The Institute's main function is to

operation and continuing education

in Scotland and it also serves as an

information centre for all aspects of

the education of adults in Scotland.

given in the Maritimes last year by

Adult Education at St. Andrew's

University, Scotland, a number of

As a result of a series of seminars

Dr. John Horobin, deputy director of

Nova Scotia educators felt there was a

need to form more links between the

two areas. Now, it seems, that need

The SIAE is hoping that, by the

Disarmament

October 29 to November 2 is

National Disarmament Week.

One of the many activities will

be an Ecumenical Prayer

Evaristus Chapel.

Everyone Welcome.

Service for Peace, Monday,

October 29, 12:10 - 12:30 in

end of 1984 its policy paper will be

will be met

Week

provide a means of contact, co-

study tours and to foster the develop-

journals on both sides of the Atlantic;

Gerver hopes to develop exchanges

A common background, and similar geography and economic development are reasons enough to cultivate links between adult educators in Scotland and Nova Scotia, according to Dr. Elizabeth Gerver, Director of the Scottish Institute of Adult Education (S.I.A.E.), who was visiting universities in this province recently for that very purpose.

While here, she talked to Mount faculty from the Centre for Continuing Education, DIJFT Women's Studies and the Life Planning and Learning Centre, to help build up a picture of what is needed to initiate working links between the two countries.

Thanks to a generous grant from the British Council, the SIAE has just begun to devise proposals for this project, and Dr. Gerver is the first of three Scottish adult educators to arrive here to start developing a

British Council that working links could fruitfully be established in the overlapping areas of community education, distance learning, educational opportunities for women,

According to Dr. Gerver there has been "an explosion of different forms of distance education in Scotland." They include correspondence courses, computer programs, radio cassettes, video cassettes, special appointments for students, organized reading programs and opportunities to attend university just one day a week. "Our programs cover every kind of academic discipline at every level," Gerver said.

She was particularly interested in the Mount's DUET program. "We have nothing similar to DUET in Scotland," she said, "but video cassettes seem to be the coming thing." About 80 per cent of students in Britain's Open University have video-recorders.

said, "but not in Scotland because

Special Study On Housing Shows Student Preference at Mount

Student housing is a perennial problem and this year, according to Housing Officer Maureen Coady, it's no better, but "not necessarily worse" than last year.

Although there are only about 35 students still waiting for space in oncampus residences, those looking for accommodation off-campus are having a hard time, particularly single mothers and male students.

"With low vacancy rates in Halifax," Coady says, "there are fewer spaces available. Students have less money, and apartments are more expensive, so many students are staying with friends while they try to find suitable accommodation for themselves.'

This year, Student Services appealed to the general public for temporary accommodation, but the response was not very good. "However, our faculty and administration came through magnificently," Coady says, "with offers of temporary space for some of the students.

A special study carried out by Student Services, under the direction of Dr. Carol Hill, looked into the problem of student housing earlier this year, prompted by a number of questions raised by the Long Range Planning Committee of the university's Board of Governors.

In January, 1984, a random sample of 609 students was surveyed to determine housing needs, student preferences for all aspects of residence environment, and level of satisfaction with existing services.

A six-page questionnaire was given to each student, and out of the 609 distributed, 171 (27 per cent) were completed.

Full-time female students indicated that most chose to live in residence for the sake of convenience, that they much prefer a partial meal plan option and favour townhouse accommodation such as the Birches.

The majority of those surveyed oppose residences with no restriction on noise level, and many favour 24hour designated quiet areas. They would also like to see restrictions on smoking, with some residences designated as no-smoking areas.

Ratings on general attitude and performance of security, housekeeping staff and receptionists, were high, with the housing staff rated as "generally good" in all dimensions.

Complaints were frequent about the quality of furnishings in some of the common lounges and 37 per cent indicated that the furnishing in those areas is either poor or needs improvement. Fifty-two per cent of the students surveyed feel that recreational areas in residences need improvement and 62 per cent would like improved cooking facilities. Eighty per cent feel that safety

equipment is adequate.

A considerable proportion of fulltime female non-resident students have, at one time, lived on campus, but moved off for reasons which include the fact that their family home is close to the university, that residence on campus is too expensive or that privacy is limited.

Students living on or off campus say they prefer single rooms to doubles. Shared apartments are seen as the most desirable form of housing. Traditional dormitory-style residences are not popular.

The non-resident students surveyed also oppose the full meal plan, but favour a partial plan or the non-meal plan residence.

A large number of the students favoured, on principle, residences designed to accommodate married students, students with dependents and handicapped students.

All full-time male students live off campus as there is, at present, no suitable accommodation for them on campus. However, if they were able to live on campus the male students would prefer single rooms and the maximum meal plan.

Similar studies will be carried out on a regular basis, Coady says, to keep abreast of student housing needs and preferences.

"There is a dilemma at the Mount," she points out, "because are always squeezed for space at the beginning of the semester, but by November the vacancy rate is usually around six per cent. This is because some students move off campus, or become home-sick and leave.'

Coady says there may have been some instances where students leave the university because they can't find a place to stay. "But we are still getting occasional calls from the public offering a spare room" she says. And, she adds, she doesn't see too many students clustered around the vacancies board outside Student Services.

Universities in the area are cooperating and sharing on-campus space, if and when it becomes available. The 35 Mount students who are living with friends in the city, and are waiting for residence rooms, check in every day to see if the situation is easing.

"The Mount is looking at all the problems very seriously," Coady says. "Student Services will help in any way we can. We will even act on behalf of off-campus students if they get into any disputes over rent."

One immediate result of the study is the setting up of a bursary fund which will attempt to help students who have "non-academic" proble This could include inability to pay high rent for accommodation off campus. In this way, students could be helped financially in their search for a place to live.



Ghosts and goblins, witches and fairies . . . who knows what will turn up at the Child Study Centre on October 31. Wednesday afternoon, all the "non-nappers" from the centre will be taking a trip on the bus up to the Motherhouse of the Sisters of Charity to sing songs, have a drink of juice and visit with some of the sisters. Last year's trip to the Motherhouse was a great success for old and young alike, with 50 to 60 sisters (some in wheelchairs and beds) turning out to meet with the preschoolers.

This year, there will be approximately 25 children going on the visit.

When they return, all the children who attend the centre full and parttime will be in costume for a Hallowe'en party complete with treats and possibly even some tricks!

# I Gave At Work

"I gave at work" is the slogan on tons that can be worn by almost f of the working force in the metro irea this winter. Employee contributions to the Halifax-Dartmouth United Way appeal made up 42 per cent of the money raised in 1983, and the campaign is aimed at increasing that participation rate to 46 per cent for this year.

Mount Saint Vincent University has offered a payroll deduction plan for the United Way for at least five years, but participation rates have been considerably lower than the city average-probably due to the institution's own fund-raising campaigns.

However, employee contributions of \$2,700 from the Mount for 1983 represented a 10 per cent increase over the previous year, and Dorothy MacInnis, Personnel Secretary and staff liaison for the United Way campaign, hopes that this year's campaign will prove even more successful on campus.

MacInnis is responsible for getting the information out to, and pledges back from, members of the staff association, managerial support, administration, cafeteria, security, housekeeping and maintenance. These groups add up to approximately 100 employees, but MacInnis ys she will ask represen-

ves from each area to help. Faculty involvement will be coordinated by Joan Ryan, Chair of the Office Administration Department. She has already distributed the brochures and pledge cards, which

should be returned to her. Those of the 200 full and part-time faculty members who have not already responded will soon be getting a personal follow-up contact by one of a small committee of volunteers helping Ryan. She says they work on the campaign over a period of about

Most people know of the United Way, but following are some littleknown, interesting facts:

\* The Halifax Board of Trade started what was then called "Community Chest" in November 1922. It was incorporated as the United Appeal 50 years later.

\* Service agencies receiving funding from the United Way appeal number 40 in the Halifax-Dartmouth area. As well as the better-known agencies such as the Red Cross and YM/YWCA, the list also includes the Arthritis Society, Callow Veterans' League. Metro Service for the Deaf, Meals on Wheels, Help Line, Veith House, Sisters of Service, the Hot Lunch Program, Women's Emergency Housing Coalition and Mental Health Nova Scotia.

\* Personal contributions can now be designated for a specific service agency. See the information brochure for full listing-one may be your \* The 1984 income tax return will

need accompanying receipts for all charitable donations—the \$100 standard deduction no longer applies. A tax receipt for your full donation to United Way will be forwarded at the

end of the year.

\* To be eligible for United Way funding, an organization must be a registered charity, must be a service delivery agency (i.e. not limited to research only), have a board of directors who are all volunteers, and have at least one source of funding other than the United Way.

\* Contributions can be made by a one-time cheque, or by payroll deduction.

\* A suggested giving range would be \$1 a day, or one day's pay per For an annual income of \$10,000,

one day's pay would be \$36, or \$1.50 deduction from each pay cheque. Members of staff and administra-

tion are asked to return their pledge cards and/or cheques to Dorothy MacInnis, Personnel Office as soon as possible; faculty members to Joan Ryan, Office Administration.



## Atlantic Resources To Be Discussed—Issues and Answers

"Atlantic Canada Resources Management: Issues and Answers" is the theme of the 14th Annual Atlantic Schools of Business Conference to be hosted by Mount Saint Vincent University, October 26 and 27, 1984. The Honorable Joel R. Matheson.

O.C., Minister of Mines and Energy for the Province of Nova Scotia, will be guest speaker at the conference's Friday luncheon, to be held at Chateau Halifax. He will stress the financial, economic and physical resources, while Mount Dean of Human and Professional Development, Dr. Susan Clark, will address the human resources aspect at the dinner that evening.

The Friday morning session will be a research symposium on the theme "Business Research Needs and Priorities in Atlantic Canada", with moderator Mount Business Administration Department Chair, Dr. Erdener Kaynak. Panel members are Drs. Colin Dodds and Paul Dixon, Saint Mary's University; Dr. Stan Reid, University of New Brunswick; Dr. Jack Duffy, Dalhousie University; Dr. Alan Conway, Acadia University; and conference co-chair John Pliniussen, Memorial University.

Papers will be presented in Friday afternoon and Saturday morning

sessions, in accounting and finance, production and operations management, marketing, MIS and computer systems, general management and policy, and human resource management. An award will be given for the best paper in each category, and all papers will be published as proceedings of the conference.

Conference co-chairs Ann MacGillivary, from the Mount and John Pliniussen, Memorial University-and their committee of Mount business administration faculty members Corinne Duffy, Musetta Thwaites, Rod Tilley and Mallika Das-have been working on conference arrangements since early in the year. A call for papers went out during the summer with 35 submissions received in the various categories.

This is the first time the conference has been sponsored by Mount Saint Vincent University, with an estimated 100 registrants from around the four Atlantic Provinces and across Canada.

Anyone interested in registering for the conference should contact Ann MacGillivary, Mount Saint Vincent University, 443-4450 extension 328, as soon as possible.

## On The Move

For the second year in a row, Dr. Josette Déléas-Matthews of the Modern Languages Department has been appointed jury member for the Atlantic Film Festival, to be held in Halifax from October 25 to November

Business Administration Department chair Dr. Erdener Kaynak spent the months of June and July at the University of Stirling in Scotland carrying out a joint research project with Professor John Dawson of that university. They are looking at the structural changes taking place in the food distribution system of the United Kingdom.

Later, Dr. Kaynak travelled to his native Turkey where he collected material on the operations of Turkish multi-national companies in the construction industry. During his visit there he was invited to conduct marketing seminars for faculty and doctoral students at the University of Erciyer.

In mid-September, Dr. Kaynak was back in England where he had been invited by the Agricultural Economic Association of Great Britain to participate in its food marketing convention held at Sheffield, Yorkshire. The seminar was attended by more than 100 food processing and manufacturing distributors and public policy makers from many foreign countries.

Dr. E. Margaret Fulton officially opened the new playground at the Child Study Centre last month. saying that it gave her almost more pleasure than opening Rosaria Centre. The much-needed new facility was decorated with balloons and the children had made huge thank-you cards for those who had been involved in the construction of the playground.

Dr. Susan Whiting, Home Economics Department, attended the Canadian Federation Biological Sciences meeting in Saskatoon in June where she presented a paper for Dr. David Cole, "preliminary studies on inorganic sulfate transport by brush border membrane vesicles from human placenta". She also attended the International Congress of Dietetics meeting in Toronto, in July, and presented a paper "Effects of different acid loads on urinary calcium loss". Whiting also presented Pediatric Grand Rounds with Dr. David Cole at the IWK Hospital for Children in July, the topic being "Osteoporosis—a modern epidemic" and was part of a workshop "Nutrition Update for Health Professionals" held in Kentville in

policy paper on the idea. The SIAE is suggesting to the and support for rural learners.

"We're also experimenting with teleconferencing in the U.K.," Gerver

# Letter to the Editor

Congratulations to the editors of both "the Connection" and "Insight Plus", the recent issues of which gave me an opportunity to peer beneath the Mount Saint Vincent University umbrella—the Chair of Women's Studies, the Public Relations degree program, DUET, the brief to the Commission on Higher Education, the success of Project I, the fund raising campaign, and Dr. Margaret Fulton's address to Professional Secretaries International Conference in Toronto last July, to name a few items of interest.

Perhaps Dr. Fulton's exhortation to "Challenge, Endure and Transcend" may encourage a little "kite-flying" and to this end may I comment as follows:—

- 1. The evidence is already at hand supporting the Mount's uniqueness when one considers the overwhelming response of women across Canada to Project I; the response was not only financial but women were at pains
  - tinancial but women were at pain to write of their own experiences and ideas.
- A few years ago Mount Saint
  Vincent University set forth its
  goals, objectives and philosophy,
  measurement by which the whole
  university community can evaluate
  its own commitment to a liberal
  arts education for women,
  together with the study of
  women's concerns and issues—not
  only in Canada but other
  countries, too.
- 3. Males within the Mount community need not feel threatened by such evaluation in the light of the university's goals, objectives and philosophy, rather they will come to appreciate more fully the rights and aspirations of women in the brave, though somewhat frightening, new world which is theirs as well.

I am looking forward to further "Connections" and more "Insights". The "Great Debate" on "Women's Issues" has taken place recently, but financial restraints may demand other debates. If the Mount is perceived to be what its goals and philosophy suggest, it will reign supreme in its special field, but should it fail, who knows?

Jane Archibald

(former member of Board of Governors)

#### IRON CURTAIN from page 1

Dobrenkov, President of Moscow State University will discuss The Movement for Peace in the USSR.

Thursday, November 1, Vadim Zhdanovich, secretary of the USSR/USA Society and representative of the Union of Soviet Friendship Societies will lecture on North America and the USSR: Relations for Building Peace.

All lectures are open to the general

public and are free of charge. They will be held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in Seton Academic Centre, Auditorium B.

In addition to the public lectures, Vadim Zhdanovich will lecture during Dr. Larry Fisk's class on Tuesday, October 30 and Thursday, November 1, from 1:30 to 2:45 p.m. On Friday, November 2, he will be present at Dr. Mike MacMillan's class, from 9:05 to 9:55 a.m.

Students at the Mount are also welcome to attend special sessions at the SUB, Dalhousie University, hosted by the Dal Student Union, when M.I. Kuzin and Alexander Szarkov will speak on Nuclear Weapons: Tools of Destruction on Monday, October 29 and V.I. Dobrenkov will lecture on The Movement for Peace in the USSR on Tuesday, October 30. These events will take place in the McGinnis Room at 7:30 p.m. on the Monday and 8 p.m. on the Tuesday.

The Soviet delegation is in the region at the invitation of a number of universities under the sponsorship of the Atlantic Association of Universities. The Soviet scientists will visit universities in all four Atlantic Provinces and five out of the sevenman team will be in the Halifax area for a week.

# Paintings and Photographs

Paintings by Halifax artists Kristen Scholfield-Sweet and David Haigh will be on display at Mount Saint Vincent University Art Gallery until November 11.

These two artists, who both teach at the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design, have made contrasting choices within the tradition of photodependent representation. Nova Scotia artist Susan Gibson notes, in her essay accompanying the exhibit, that Scholfield-Sweet presents intense illusionistic images of natural terrain while Haigh deliberately avoids drama and produces unashamedly bourgeois images bathed in lethargic afternoon light.

In the upstairs gallery, "Inner Visions", photographs of turn-of-thecentury workplaces, are on display. Only at the beginning of this century had photography developed sufficiently to allow the average professional to produce good quality interior views. The novelty of this suddenly gave an inside view of much that was previously only dimly seen.

This exhibit is organized and circulated courtesy of the Public Archives of Canada and co-hosted by the Atlantic University Teachers of English.

Andrew Rodgers, of the Public Archives of Canada, will give an illustrated talk on "Interior Photography in the 19th Century, Before the Light", on Tuesday, October 30 at 8:15 p.m.



Dr. Gregory Baum, well-known commentator on religion and modern society, was the speaker at three Elizabeth Seton Lectures sponsored by the Sisters of Charity at the Mount. Religious studies faculty got together for this picture with their guest at a reception following the event. (L to R) Dr. Barry Wheaton, Sr. Anne Fleming, Dr. Baum, Sr. Elizabeth Bellefontaine and Dr. Jacques Goulet.

## Victorian Ladies, Macho Males

It would be hard to imagine any two books of greater contrast than Sr. Martha Westwater's *The Wilson Sisters* and Dr. Peter Schwenger's *Phallic Critiques*—yet they both deal with the ideas that women and men have of themselves and each other.

Both books have been recently published and were reviewed by the prestigious Times—The Wilson Sisters in the Times Literary Supplement and Phallic Critiques in the Times Educational Supplement.

Westwater's biographical study of upper middle-class Victorian life is based on the journal of Eliza Wilson Bagehot, and she used it to make a study of the attitudes, political and social, of Eliza and her five sisters. The TLS review says that the author "has contrived a fascinating picture of Victorian upper-class life and her knowledge of and feeling for the period are impressive."

Westwater examines why and how a group of intellectually able, cultured women, close to the heart of power in British Victorian culture, should have chosen to oppose the movement for women's rights.

Schwenger's book deals with masculinity and twentieth-century literature where he looks for male authors who deal explicitly with the masculine role, or at least masculine activity.

In his introduction to *Phallic Critiques*, the author says he studies "style" rather than "content". By studying style, he says, "you gain insight into what Virginia Woolf called 'the weight, the pace, the stride of a man's mind."

Such authors as Ernest Hemingway, Norman Mailer, Philip Roth and James Dickey (once referred to as the New Virility School) work out on paper their responses to the adjustment called for by their historical situation.

"I concentrated on extreme examples of macho writing," Schwenger says, "in trying to discover what style masculine writers use."

It is a fair generalization, he says, that in each of the authors he studied, self-consciousness underlines their masculine assertion. "Beneath the blatant machismo, one finds considerable ambivalence towards the traditional masculine role. These

writers recognize not only the power of that role, but also its self-deception and destructiveness."

He maintains that "virile" writers have a vision that is necessarily partial; and because it is partial, some may even consider it false. "Nevertheless," Schwenger says, "to examine that vision can teach us something of value, something about men and women alike. We are all creatures of partial vision."

And that final statement of his could apply equally well to either book—Westwater's Victorian ladies were also creatures of partial vision.

#### **EQUAL TREATMENT**

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respect, femininity, pride, courtesy and good manners.

Yet, 43 per cent preferred the use of Ms. or last names only.

An attorney said that Miss-Mrs. would be OK if married men were signified by MMr. (Married Miste and single men signified by Mr.

In the years since that poll was taken, many individual newspapers have dropped courtesy titles. And some will continue to use courtesy titles despite the UPI switch.

As of now, The Associated Press, the other major wire service, is polling its member newspapers on whether to change its policy. The staid New York Times, however, is stubbornly clinging to Miss, Mrs.—and even Mr.—in second

But I suspect it's just a matter of time before these sexist holdouts announce a change of address.

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