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Queen's explores relief response

By ANNE KERSHAW

Queen's is in discussions with the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) to identify specific initiatives that will allow the university to make a meaningful and lasting contribution to the tsunami relief efforts.

At the request of Principal Karen Hitchcock, International Centre Director Wayne Myles is organizing an on-campus meeting with WUSC representatives for early February.

"This will be an opportunity

for people from WUSC to learn more about Queen's expertise, to explore opportunities for the university to get involved and to decide on next steps," says Mr.

WUSC is well known for the quality of its development work and its close relationship with the university community across Canada. It has been active in responding to the tsunami humanitarian crisis by deploying its considerable resources to the relief effort in Sri Lanka, where they have had an ongoing presence for the past 15 years. They currently have 75 people on the ground, in all parts of the island and have focused their efforts on working around-the-clock initially to transport the dead and injured and then providing essential food, water and medicine. WUSC is committed not only to the immediate relief effort, but for the long haul.

The decision to partner with WUSC is not intended to diminish the extraordinary efforts of other charitable organizations that are delivering aid and assistance to the affected areas or to interfere with the personal choices of individuals and groups on campus in making their own contributions," says Principal Hitchcock. "However, we believe that WUSC offers Queen's an excellent opportunity to respond as an institution in a coordinated and focused manner.

The Office of Research Services held a meeting last week to identify experts and scholars

ticipating in a coordinated, multidisciplinary response to disaster events and relief efforts.

"The experience of Queen's researchers working internationally in conflict and post-conflict situations suggests that early involvement in disaster response enables universities to participate in a meaningful way in addressing short-term needs for assistance and long-term reconstruction and develop-

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Bachelor of Education student Kristina Kolley shows Principal Karen Hitchcock how to use a Braille keyboard at a recent open house to demonstrate new equipment at the Queen's adaptive

New technology levels the accessibility field

By KAY LANGMUIR

When Steve Cutway thinks back to his university days as a visually impaired student struggling with just a tape recorder and a Braille reader, his dedication to his work at Queen's adaptive technology lab is understand-

"I've seen other labs, and we've got the best in the country," says Mr. Cutway. The information access specialist spoke at a recent open house showcasing new equipment at the state-ofthe-art lab in Douglas Library.

"We're also strongest in the people component," he adds. "We have low turnover and a very dedicated team...we've got staff who know how to use (the

latest technology)."

The technology at the awardwinning lab on the main floor of Douglas Library definitely has wow appeal. Some of the lab's capabilities include a tactile image enhancer that scans flat illustrations such as maps, diagrams and charts and reproduces them in relief; speech-recognition programs which allow voice control of computers; software that scans printed-word text, displays it on-screen and reads it back. One of Mr. Cutway's favourites is a CD-based audio reader called DAISY that can instantly locate a required page.

"This is what is so needed," Principal Karen Hitchcock told the gathering. "The principal's office is so proud of what you're doing... You're breaking new ground in this area and we support you fully."

Mike Condra, director of Health, Counselling and Disability Services, thanked a number of people by name and praised their tireless work and "their dedication to equality and inclusion, and their belief in accessibility.

'We recognize that our focus must be on our students and their lives," he says

He also praised the tremendous cooperation and collaborabetween various departments in order to establish, maintain and improve Special Reader Services and the adaptive technology lab - from library staff and senior administration, to students, their representative bodies, and studentaffairs staff.

If user response is any measure, the university has indeed been very successful in keeping the focus on what students need.

"Students always refer to SRS and the AT labs in positive and glowing terms," says Dr. Condra.

At the open house Michele Chittenden, coordinator of Special Reader Services (SRS), shared a comment from one student user of the AT lab who called it "a safe place. It's the one place on campus I feel confident in being myself."

Ms. Chittenden, who has been in charge of the AT lab since its inception in 1991 (save for a year's leave), is a nationally See TECHNOLOGY: Page 2

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recognized expert in the field of special reader services and technology. Since the SRS and its AT lab won an Innovative Services award 10 years ago from the Canadian Association of College and University Libraries, other academic librarians anxious to replicate the Queen's model have beaten a path to Ms. Chittenden's door. Queen's was the first Canadian post-secondary institution to place specialized services for disabled students within a library setting.

"We were a role model and we continue to be on the cutting edge," she says.

The funds used to purchase the software upgrades and new equipment for the lab are part of an annual grant for disability services from the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities.

Kristina Kolley, now working on her second degree at Queen's, a Bachelor of Education, demonstrated some of the lab's capabilities. She uses her own Braille keyboard in conjunction with lab software which reads back to her what she types. Her specialized \$5,200 keyboard also instantly displays in Braille what is on the screen so she can check her work.

"To me, Braille is the most reliable way to read anything," said Ms. Kolley, who also demonstrated the technology to Principal Hitchcock. "It's the only way you can reliably proofread anything.'

Adaptive technologist Andrew Ashby demonstrated a text-tospeech program called Kurzweil

"This is more for students who have difficulty retaining information if they read it," he explains. "This helps people to retain it. It also reads websites and you can transfer (the audio information) onto a (portable)

Yet despite its successes, the lab still needs to raise its profile,

says Mr. Cutway. "We often find students who found the lab only in their second or third year," he says. "And I marvel at the professors who say they didn't $\hat{k}now$ this stuff existed.'



Religious representatives Gen Thekchen (at podium), Kamala Narayanan, Apurva Purohit, Kathy Sage, Barbara Hooper and Hossam Hassanein participate in last Monday's service at Grant Hall to remember the victims of the Dec. 26 tsunami disaster.

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(Research) Kerry Rowe.

On a national level, federal officials in Ottawa have asked the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC) to build an informal roster of Canadian university faculty who have relevant expertise for the longterm task of rebuilding areas hard hit by the tsunami. They are looking for directly related expertise in a wide range of areas that include oceanography, seismology, disaster response, economics, infrastructure development and rebuilding, public and community health, environmental impact issues, transportation, community development, and psychological counselling and support.

Interested Queen's faculty can contact Lorna Jean Edmonds, director of Research Services, for more information at ext. 33201

ment" says Vice-Principal or edmondlj@post.queensu.ca.

At an interfaith memorial service held in Grant Hall last week, Principal Hitchcock spoke for the Queen's community in expressing profound sorrow at the loss of life and of communities washed away in the terrible events of Dec. 26.

"It is difficult for many of us to grasp the full scope of this tragedy and its devastating impact on so many lives. Our hearts go out to the hundreds of thousands of people affected by this tragedy. We look for logic and order in this world, and at times, there is none."

She called on "each one of us to commit ourselves to a productive and creative response to this tragedy — not just today, not just in the coming weeks, but in the long months and years ahead. Here at Queen's we have the capacity to make meaningful and

lasting contributions through our collective ideas and action. We have the capacity to work together to find hope for the future."

Queen's has established a new website to keep the university community informed about its response as an institution as well as the related activities of individuals and groups on campus.

Linked off the university's home page at www.queensu.ca, the site provides updated information about tsunami-related campus events and initiatives; support services for faculty, staff and students; links to key fundraising organizations and government agencies; and access to ongoing news reports. It is also a vehicle through which individuals and groups can let the university know about other tsunami response efforts at Queen's.

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Brock conference to address town-gown issues

By THERESE GREENWOOD

An increasing national focus on town-gown relations has prompted one Ontario university to organize the country's first conference on the complex symbiotic relationship between post-secondary institutions and the municipalities they call home.

The three-day event, called Building Bridges: A National Forum On Town-Gown Issues, is being hosted by Brock University with the support of the Ontario municipalities of St. Catharines and Thorold.

Organizers, who are currently accepting proposals from prospective presenters, say the time is right for stakeholders from across the country to share ideas, experiences and best practices for healthy campus-community relationships.

"Town-gown relations have been gaining momentum as a topic across the country and this has been going on for a few years," says conference organizer Brad Clarke, Brock's off-campus housing officer. "We thought there was a lot of information out there that could be shared if we brought people together in a more formal environment."

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A major emphasis of the event, being held June 19-22, will be on communicating expectations and looking at the long term.

"Unfortunately town-gown relations tend to be a hot topic arising out of individual incidents," says Mr. Clarke. "Our focus is not on airing gripes and grievances but on how we can work together to shift the focus towards partnerships and the mutual benefits.

"Neighbor relations is an aspect of the town-gown equation but it is not the whole picture," he adds. "It is a significant piece based on the topics of the day but we want to push beyond that to look at the broader aspects of the partnerships. These are topics that a lot of universities and municipalities are already at work on."

In November, Principal Karen Hitchcock announced the establishment of a task force on community relations to review issues related to student life off-campus, including off-campus housing, neighbourhood relations, safety and city services for students. It is working closely with

community members, Queen's students, city officials and the Kingston Police. It meets today and then every other week starting Feb. 8.

The 10 main issues being addressed at the conference are:

- Community perception versus institution perception;
- University and college expansion;
- Safety, security and enforcement;
- Housing and aesthetics (neighbourhood deterioration);
- Parking and transportation;
- Student conduct and discipline;
- Infrastructure;
- Zoning and bylaws;
- Communication;
- Education and research.

Organizers are targeting officials from both the municipal and post-secondary sectors, as

well as business people, students and other stakeholders.

"We want everyone to understand what the issues are," says Mr. Clarke. "We want to look at how we can come up with strategies to address the concerns, and work towards building templates for the growth of even better relations between municipalities and colleges and universities."

Registration for the event begins mid-January and Mr. Clarke says the preliminary response to the topic has been very good from across the country from both government and institutional representatives.

For details, visit www.brocku .ca/buildingbridges or contact Brad Clarke, Brock University Off-Campus Housing Officer, telephone 905-688-5550, ext. 4059, email: buildingbridges @brocku.ca.

The deadline for receipt of program proposals is Feb. 11. Early-bird conference registration deadline is April 28.

Satellite providers shutting out campus radio

By LORINDA PETERSON

American satellite radio providers are threatening the future of campus community radio stations across Canada with a "campus clone" sound that may fragment an already small niche audience, says the station manager at Queen's Radio CFRC.

American satellite radio providers, XM and SIRIUS have made recent applications to the Canadian Radio, Television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) to provide satellite radio service in Canada.

The specialized, commercial free programming available to listeners on satellite bands will appeal to the 10 per cent of the total audience that currently lis-

tens to campus community radio, cutting more deeply into an already tiny piece of the pie, says Stu Mills.

"Campus radio stations produce some of the best local programming and specialty music in North America," he says. "Musicians, artists, people who have more than a casual interest in music, more knowledge of the musicology of music, know what's happening in a song they like from a musical theory point of view and are specialists in some way are our audience."

At 101.9 FM, CFRC broadcasts more than 3,000 watts, second to University of Toronto with 15,000 watts. Most campus radio stations in Canada operate with a much smaller broadcast capability.

Campus radio bandwidth cannot compete with a national satellite service providing campus clone stations like XMU that transmit across the United States and up to 300 kilometers north of the Canada-U.S. border, Mr. Mills says. XMU has been branded with a graffiti-scratched logo as if it is a university channel. The play list is impressively avant-garde and the information is leading edge and current.

The only things clone stations can't offer are local programming and events coverage.

Ken Stowar, Program Director at CIUT 89.5 FM, University of

Toronto views the impending threat from satellite radio as a challenge to campus community radio stations, an opportunity to become better at what they do.

"We need to look at the resources available and become even more localized than we already are. Campus radio stations need to act and act now if we want to survive. We need to become more relevant to our listening public, draw on the campus community for the wealth of programming information we have direct access to that is currently overlooked – faculty and guest lectures, staff, students and campus events, "he says.

John Stevenson, former president of the National Campus and Community Radio Association (NCRA) and former station manager at CFRU-FM in Guelph currently sits on NCRA's advisory board. He represented campus community radio stations recently at CTRC proceedings set up to hear interventions from concerned groups and individuals to the satellite license applications.

"Campus radio stations need to act and act now if we want to survive."

Ken Stowar

According to Mr. Stevenson, the satellite radio applicants present three crippling deficiencies.

They do not provide a satisfactory number of quality Canadian choices; they will have a significant negative impact financially on what are very fragile non-commercial broadcasters and they make no commitment to support or broadcast the programming of Canada's community radio stations.

Tristis Ward, station manager at CHSR-FM in Fredericton and vice-president, development of the NCRA presented the following recommendations to CRTC on behalf of community radio:

- Satellite licenses should be required to provide a space specifically for campus community radio;
- Community radio should be assisted onto the digital spectrum by the applicants as a condition of license;

- Licenses should include the provision for third sector funding as part of the policy being developed in tandem with the hearing;
- Licensees should make a contribution of five percent annually towards a Canadian community radio fund to be used exclusively for the development and support of third sector broadcasting and controlled by a board made of members of that group in keeping with the mandate of the Broadcast Act.

Other representative organizations within the community radio sector including L'association des radiodiffuseurs communautaires (ARC), Aboriginal Voices Radio (AVR) and World Association of Community Radio Broadcasters (AMARC) agree with NCRA's proposal.

Delegates presented 21 interventions to the CRTC at the recent hearing.

Respondents to the interventions included Canadian media groups CHUM Limited and Astral Media Radio Inc., Canadian Broadcasting Corporation and SIRIUS Canada, and Canadian Satellite Radio Inc., who want to purchase space on a satellite band.

A CRTC decision on satellite licenses and their policies in Canada is pending.

Meanwhile, a \$3.75 mandatory student fee to support CFRC was passed in the fall student referendum after a four and one half hour recount.

The new fee replaces an optional fee of \$3.75 allocated for broadcast expenses, and a mandatory fee of \$.40 to support sports broadcasting.

Although it's confusing, this is actually good for the budget, says Mr. Mills. With funding from the university about to end in 2005, the student fee will help ensure CFRC's survival.

Increased advertising will augment the student fee. However, advertising is a hard sell because campus community radio audiences are specialized and do not provide the exposure most advertisers need.

In addition to Kingston community support from advertising, CFRC plans to mount a campus appeal for support from within the Queen's community.

CFRC is one of the oldest campus radio stations in Canada.



CELIA RUSSELL

Alison Lang and Josh Goodbaum present their hip-hop show, The Message, in the CFRC studio in Carruthers Hall.

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IN BRIEF

TA townhall meeting set for Jan. 26

A public forum to addresses matters important to Queen's teaching assistants takes place Wednesday, Jan. 26.

Panelists will include Principal Karen Hitchcock, Vice-Principal (Academic), Suzanne Fortier, Dean, Graduate Studies and Research Ulrich Scheck and SGPS President Sam Hosseini. McLaughlin Room, JDUC, 5:30-7 pm.

The recent release of the Draft Policy on TAs by a sub-committee of the Senate Committee on Academic Development (SCAD) attempts to address TA issues in general, as well as the fall-out surrounding the implementation of an hourly wage increase for teaching assistants.

The Society of Graduate and Professional Students (SGPS) thought it was important to hold a forum which addresses various matters important to TAs, says President Sam Hosseini.

The meeting is open to all members of the Queen's community.

For details, call the SGPS office at 533-3924, or email Ms. Hosseini at president@sgps.ca

www.sgps.ca

Historian is this year's Michener Visitor

Renowned Quebec historian Gérard Bouchard will visit Queen's Feb. 7 and 8 as this year's Michener Visitor.

He will deliver a public lecture, entitled, Is the Western World in the Middle of a Cultural Crisis? on Monday, Feb. 7 at 7:30 pm in room 202 Policy Studies. Admission is free.

A professor in the Department of Human Sciences at the University of Quebec at Chicoutimi, he was chosen as this year's visitor not only because of his importance as a prominent intellectual and scholar, but also because of the interdisciplinary character of his research, says Annette Hayward, chair of the Michener Visitor Committee.

"It is our impression that he is not particularly well known in English Canada," she says. "The topic chosen for his public lecture, Is the Western World in the Middle of a Cultural Crisis? reflects well the breadth of his interests, and will hopefully stimulate interest and debate across the university community."

The brother of former Quebec premier Lucien Bouchard, he is an exceptional scholar, who has authored 29 books and 243 learned articles. His high-quality work has earned him more than 25 awards, prizes and honours.

In 2000, he won the Governor General's Award for his book on *Genese des nations et cultures du Nouveau Monde*.

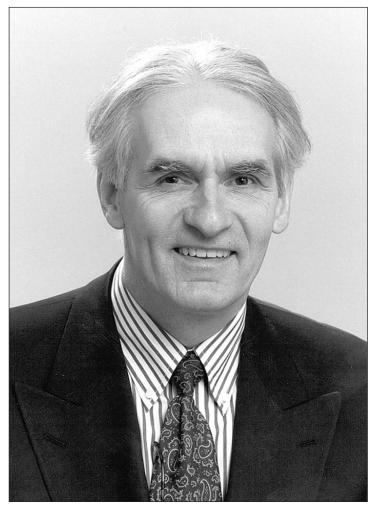
He was selected as Canada Research Chair in Comparative Dynamics of Collective Imaginary in 2002, the same year in which he became Fellow of the Canadian Institute for Advanced Research, and Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur (France). He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, and a member of the Academie des Lettres du Quebec. He has played an important role within the community by his participation in intellectual debate and dialogue, and is a frequent contributor to the media.

"He has been influential, among other things, in the redefining of Quebecois culture in recent years," says Dr. Hayward.

Dr. Bouchard founded the Interuniversity Institute of Research on Populations, in Chicoutimi.

Former Governor-General and Queen's Chancellor Roland Michener set up the Michener Visitors Fund to finance an annual visit of a prominent French-Canadian to Queen's University. Previous visitors include publisher Lise Bissonnette, astronaut Julie Payette, author and film director Jacques Godbout, former Quebec premier Pierre Marc Johnson and composer Clermont Pepin.

For more information on Dr. Bouchard's visit, contact Dr. Hayward at hawarda@post.queensu.ca. 533-2085.



Gérard Bouchard is an exceptional scholar, who has authored 29 books and 243 learned articles.

Guitar, Eh! features Canadian classical guitar talents

World-class Canadian guitar players – and guitar makers – of all styles will showcase their talents at "Guitar Eh! – the classical guitar in Canada" on Tuesday,

The event takes place in the W.D. Jordan Music Library (sixth level, Douglas Library). The university community and local high school students are invited to attend all the day's events. This will include a workshop on the relationship between guitar making and playing led by Oskar Graf (Canada's finest luthier); a

performance of new blues music by the Royal Conservatory's William Beauvais (who will also hold a master class); a demonstration of Burmese guitar styles by alumnus Gavin Douglas and a panel discussion on opportunities for guitarists.

A performance of Quebecois and Cuban works by the Canadian Guitar Quartet (CGQ) in Grant Hall at 7:30 pm will cap the day.

Queen's students will be treated to master classes featuring the talents of Philip Candelaria, Denis Donegani, Patrick Roux and Louis Trépanier, who make up CGQ – a group that has been featured on CBC radio and will tour the United States in Febru-

Admission to the performances is \$2 with proceeds going to raise funds for guitar sheet music, recording and books for the W.D. Jordan Music Library.

As a preview, event organizer and Queen's guitar instructor Jeff Hanlon and Dave Barton (BMus '82) will perform Canadian music for two guitars at the Dou-

glas Library Reading Room on Tuesday, Feb. 1 at 4:30 pm. The program features music by Dave Barton, William Beauvais, Patrick Roux and Queen's composer Marjan Mozetich. A reception in the W.D. Jordan Music Library will follow.

The concert and reception mark the official opening of a new display in the W.D. Jordan Music Library of guitar music, recordings, historic instruments and guitar-inspired art.

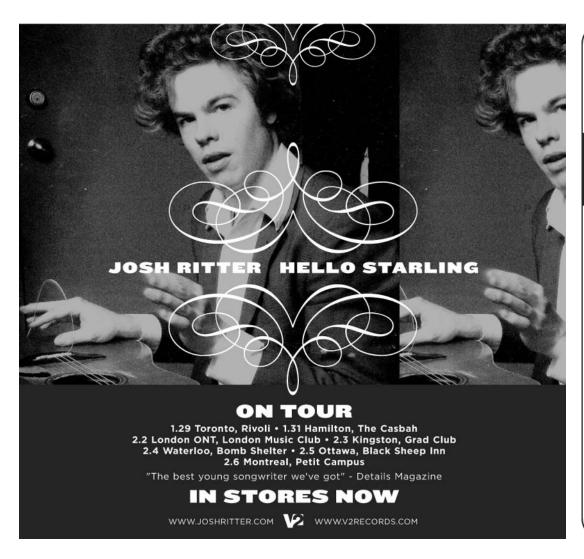
A free-will offering is requested, with proceeds to the purchase of

guitar sheet music and recordings for the Music Library.

Why the "Eh" in the "Guitar, Eh" moniker? Mr. Hanlon says he was a fan of SCTV's Bob and Doug MacKenzie.

For more details, see post .queensu.ca/~hanlonj/CGIC.html.

The event is supported by the George Taylor Richardson Memorial Fund, the Upper Canada Guitar Society and the Queen's School of Music, Renaissance Music, Kingston Soundworks and the Kingston Guitar





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A healthy look at food and body image IN BRIEF

UNIVERSITY LAUNCHES EATING DISORDERS AWARENESS WEEK

By CELIA RUSSELL

"Í think she has an eating disorder and I'm not sure what to say."

This statement is a familiar one to the staff at Queen's Health, Counselling and Disability Services (HCDS). Health professionals know that having a circle of informed friends and family can make a tremendous difference to those struggling with eating disorders.

But often friends are afraid they might do or say the wrong

Eating Disorders Awareness Week takes place on campus Jan. 24 through 28. It's aimed not only at female students at risk, but at the campus community as a whole, says Diane Nolting of

"The week is open to everybody on campus – staff and faculty too," says Ms. Nolting, who adds that nearly everyone has been directly affected by, knows or has known someone who has

suffered from an eating disorder. "They may have children who are affected by this, or who have issues with body image.'

As a health educator, she sees this as an ongoing issue.

"The media sends such a strong message to young women in particular that thin and sexual is beautiful," she says, referring to a recent CBC-TV program on marketing clothing to preteens, including push-up bras, off-the-shoulder, skin-tight tops and suggestive logos.

"The general profile of students who come to Queen's is one of very high achievers. They are as prone as anyone to cultural messages of thinness - that thin is beautiful. And in the case of guys, power equals success."

Students face many transition periods - moving out of residence, moving on to graduate school or the world of work all require positive support networks to help them move on to the next, she says. The pressure to achieve is always there, and it hasn't gone away.

"Do we define the kind of day we're going to have by how fat we feel? This is the context of the students that I work with.

The goals of the week include:

- Celebrating the diversity of our natural shapes and sizes;
- Increasing public awareness of the physical, emotional and financial cost of society's obsession with thinness;
- · Provide information about support, care and resources to those affected by eating disorders, their friends and families;
- Promote the benefits of eating for energy and performance.

The week kicks off with a green ribbons poster launch, Monday, Jan. 24 at 8:30 pm in the Common Ground in the John Deutsch University Centre. The ribbons are different shades of green and come in different sizes to represent the diversity that exists, she says.

"Green is symbolic of life, renewal and hope and seems an appropriate choice for this type of educational campaign.

Ribbons will be handed out at each event and boxes will be available at Stauffer Library, Health, Counselling and Disability Services, Mackintosh-Corry and Victoria halls. The posters feature actual Queen's students, who see these issues reflected in their daily lives, she says.

The Eating Disorders Forum, presented by Peer Health Educa-tors, Food, Weight and Body Image Team, takes place Wednesday, Jan. 26 at 7 pm in room 202 Policy Studies. At 8 pm, Director of Health, Counselling and Disability Services Michael Condra will discuss How to Help a Friend: Approaches Resources.

The week also includes free yoga classes, and information displays at Stauffer Library. It wraps up with Fearless Friday -Ditch the Diet Day. From 1 to 4 pm, Common Ground will feature movies, free food and door

For more information, contact Health Educator Diane Nolting, 533-6712 or pdn@post

Author shines spotlight on Cuba

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The 17th Annual Hannah Hap-

pening lecture features Robert

Maudsley, former Vice-Dean of Health Sciences speaking on

Queen's to Karachi and Back:

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It takes place Tuesday, Jan. 25

Confessions of a Catalyst.

Author Isaac Saney (Dalhousie) will be at Queen's Monday, Jan. 31 to discuss Cuban history, government, gender and racial equality, its legal system and relations with the United States. The author of *Cuba: A Revolution* in Motion, will speak at the Ban Righ Centre, 32 Bader Ln. (formerly Queen's Cres.) at noon. Homemade soup is available for a small donation.

Parking is available at the corner of University Avenue and Stuart Streets in the underground

For more information, call 533-2976. Dr. Saney's books will be available for sale at the centre.

Politics of visibility

Marv McDonald of Faculty of Physical Education, Health, and Sport Studies at the University of Miami will deliver the thirdannual Donald Macintosh Memorial Lecture.

She will speak on The Politics of Visibility and the Queer Play of the WNBA and Late Capitalism on Saturday, Feb. 5 at 11:45 am. Her lecture takes place in the McLaughlin Room, JDUC.

Admission is free to the lecture, which is part of the thirdannual Sociology of Sport Day Conference.

Free Queen's offers free course

Each semester, Free Queen's offers a free, non-credit university level course. This semester's course is on Religion and Modernity. It will run Mondays. Feb. 7 to March 21, 6:30 to 8:30 pm. For details, see the Free Queen's website, post.queensu.ca /~freequ/. Free Queen's is a joint project of OPIRG-Kingston.

Two views on social change

Professors Richard Day (Sociology) and Abbie Bakan (Political Studies) will present Marxism and Anarchism: Two Views on Radical Social Change this Wednesday, Jan. 26. The event takes place at 7:30 pm in room B201, Mackintosh-Corry Hall.

They will address issues relevant to radical social change, including: organization; theorizing oppression; strategy and tactics; and revolution.

Organized by the International Socialists www.socialist.ca. Email marxism@sympatico.ca.



Health Educator Diane Nolting shows off the ribbons to be distributed on campus to recognize Eating Disorders Awareness Week, Jan. 24 through 28. The ribbons come in different shapes, sizes and shades to represent the

University launches room reservations review

Dean of Student Affairs Bob Crawford is initiating a review of room reservations and related issues and seeks university input.

In 1998, responsibility for room reservations (ad hoc bookings) moved to the Dean of Student Affairs (at the same time, responsibility for timetabling moved to the Office of the University Registrar). Located in the John Deutsch University Centre (JDUC), room reservations reports to JDUC Director Bob Burge. He has requested a review of this administrative and functional area.

The university's Space Management Policy was approved by Senate in September 2003. The policy advocates the principle that "all space is university

space," and prompted this review.

Many departments have developed their own space booking policies, including Athletics & Recreation, JDUC, Residences, and School of Business (Goodes Hall). There is no document that encapsulates the various policies and practices for using university for non-academic purposes. The main policy document is available online at www.queensu.ca/jduc/ under Room Reservations. Several departments are involved in the delivery of this campus-wide service, including Room Reservations, ITServices, Physical Plant Services, Conference Services, Campus Security, and Financial Services. How these

departments interact, associate, and coordinate, requires articula-

Financial issues have become increasingly complex. A booking can include facility rental charges, custodial fees, setup/take-down charges, and audio visual/equipment rental fees. These rates, where these funds flow, and how they are allocated, require clarification. There is also size complexity with an excess of 13,000 transactions being handled by Room Reservations annually.

The review will examine current policies and practices and investigate potential changes to the following:

· availability of space for non-

academic uses;

- · booking policies;
- categories of users;
- facility rental rates and policies; booking processes and proce-
- dures (i.e., customer service); · other fees and charges (e.g., setup / take-down);
- administrative and financial reporting and accountability.

Dean Crawford invites input from the community on all aspects of room reservations (excluding timetabling, which is the responsibility of the Registrar's office). Submit comments, in writing, before Feb. 25, 2005 by mail to Room Reservations Review, Dean of Student Affairs Office, Mackintosh-Corry Hall, or email rmresrev@post.queensu.ca.

VIEWPOINT

ROBERT MALCOLMSON History



Universities must serve restless minds

DESPITE CUTBACKS, INCREASED RESPONSIBILITY, THE VITALITY OF INDIVIDUAL INTELLECT MUST CONTINUE TO BE VALUED

Although historians have to live a lot in the past, it's usually best, I think, to live one's personal life mainly in the present and the imagined future. To dwell a lot on one's own past is usually a sign of tiresome self-absorption.

Still, I find it hard to resist a few reflections on my 35 years as a professor at Queen's. What stands out? What was creditable, what encouraging, what unmemorable?

Easily the most important merit of Queen's for me was that it allowed me to do, intellectually, what I wanted to do. It fostered freedom of enquiry. Unexpectedly, I found that, temperamentally, I was something of an intellectual vagabond. I got bored with questions that had once concerned me and wanted to move on to fresh matters – new fields of research, newly-created courses to teach. I didn't want to cultivate the same garden, more or less forever.

Queen's went along with these changes, as long as my new courses served the interests of students and my department. I was allowed to follow my own muse and was thus, for the most part, a happy camper. It's a good thing when a university allows its academics "to be themselves" (well okay within reason)

themselves" (well, okay, within reason).

Queen's depends on its faculty to do a fair amount of administrative work, and I was expected to do my bit. This "bit" included nine years as head of the department. Much of this work was, I suppose, necessary. Somebody had to do it. A lot of it was routine housekeeping. People older than me had done it when I was young and in due course, it was my turn to do it, partly in aid of the next generation of young faculty. Hiring new faculty was one important responsibility, though this is very much a collegial activity. What strikes me now is how rarely I think about these nine years in administration, and how little I probably accomplished (beyond necessary paper-pushing). I certainly invested way too much energy in academic politics.

Perhaps one lesson I learned was that trying to contend with the complaints and displeasures of other faculty members was much less satisfying than trying to help students, and thus my decision a decade ago to train for a second career as a personal counsellor.

This university often refers to its faculty as teacher-scholars. This is appropriate, for faculty engage both in freely chosen enquiry and in teaching their subjects at various levels of understanding. Academics are expected to be knowledgeable, committed, conscientious, and imaginative, and these virtues can be revealed in teaching (as well as in research) as long as teaching loads are moderate.

In recent years, it has become increasingly difficult to combine satisfactorily research and teaching, largely because the student/faculty ratio is now about 50 per cent worse than it was a decade ago. Corners thus get cut. Some educational standards have been diluted, though perhaps not dramatically. When I was teaching a full-year introductory lecture course and one senior seminar each term, I felt that I could perform acceptably in the classroom and still do lots of other things. Those whose teaching load is heavier than this probably have to bend in some way, however reluctantly.

A university is, on the whole, a stimulating place to be. It is a place where all its members can learn and grow, where they can share enthusiasms, where they can publish their knowledge, where they can enjoy a lot of freedom – and learn to discipline this freedom. These are longstanding attractions of an academic life. The contemporary university is often focused on process, regulations, public relations (even "branding"), the size of its grants, and relentless self-scrutiny.

Let's hope it does not forget that at its core are human curiosity and the urge to understand, and that these are properties of restless, often unpredictable individual minds, which the institution exists to serve. Unlike virtually all other social institutions, in a university it is the vitality of each individual intellect that should come first.

This vitality, I am convinced, is best fostered by an academic culture that is flexible and fairly permissive, that avoids getting too caught up in doctrines of institutional mission, and that expects and can adapt to surprises.

Robert Malcolmson is a professor emeritus of History. He is currently a parttime counsellor at Health, Counselling and Disability Services.

Viewpoint Policy

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QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES

Campus Engineering Services workers show off the tools of their trade in this undated photo. Those with more details on "who, what, when and where" are encouraged to email gazette@post.queensu.ca.

Letters

Pride of nation

I would like to respond to Uliana Kojolianko's column (*Queen's Gazette, Jan. 10, page 5, "The heart* of Ukraine's Orange Revolution).

Her column reaches the heart of the solution: youth. But there is the underlying factor of oppression being remembered either personally (if they are old enough) or through parents and family who suffered under communism.

All is brought to the foreground when so much is at stake: the birth of fair rule, the minimization of corruption and lawlessness, and the promise of a better life.

And what is the position of young Canadians? I sincerely hope she is right in her initial prognosis of events to come. I am more skeptical (and older) and believe that the heart of our youth will not be in demonstration and demanding changes as long as their life is not affected in serious manners, i.e. things are cool.

The *Ukrayintsi* have the heart to attack the ailment and, as Mr. Yushchenko implies, there is strong pride in the nation. Canadians will speak proudly about their nationality but they have not been tested in similar ways.

Victor Snieckus Bader Chair in Organic Chemistry

Readers respond to business photo

The Flashback photo on Page 4 of the Jan. 10 *Queen's Gazette* is of a group of visiting exchange students to the School of Business at the end of a winter term just before they were to go home. They came from various places including Finland, Belgium, France and Hong Kong.

There are four profs in the photo: yours truly in the third

row on the left with the dark glasses and beard, David Rutenberg in the same row on the right with the glasses, John McKirdy one row below in the dark coat and tie and Lorna Wright in the first row second from the right. The first three are now retired; Lorna is head of International Studies at the Schulich Business School at York.

The woman on the right front row is Joan Wright who was the administrator of the exchange program (aka head den mother). An ex-head of the staff association, she is now also retired in Kingston. If she had the photo, she could likely tell you the exact date and some of the names of the students. My feeling, and that of Prof. Rutenberg, is that the photo comes from the early 1990s but as I said, Joan can verify that.

The exchange program in the QSB was started in the early 1980s by Prof. Rutenberg with

Profs. McKirdy and Daub's help later on. It has now blossomed into a sizeable undertaking which requires two full-time administrators and involves nearly 75 per cent of the third-year undergrad Commerce class going out on exchange for a term and an equal number of foreign business students coming to the QSB. The flags of all the countries where our exchange partners are located can be seen hanging in the atrium of Goodes Hall.

Merv Daub Emeritus Professor Business

Editor's note: The *Gazette* also heard from Business Professor Emeritus John Gordon, who also identified several people in the photo. Nick Turner a professor in the department, also recognized several people as did Norine Tousignant (Advancement) student Jason Nardari, and Anne Henderson (Nursing).



Readers identified several people in the Jan. 10 Flashback photo.

Letters Policy

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FORUM

New term, new rhythms

Departures and arrivals... Anticipation and nostalgia... Greetings and farewells... The rhythm of life at the ISC is both predictable and intense, both structured and passionate...

December saw the end of the fall term, with the joy of celebration captured in a particularly splendid student concert too rapidly followed by the poignancy of separation - happily temporary for some. With the students gone, the castle lost its warmth and energy, quivered amid the inevitable seasonal storms and gales, and further endured its annual rite of scarifying purification (water chlorination!). But then, then came the terrible destruction and devastation of the tsunami to put all of these experiences and reflections into horrific perspective.

And yet, with the return of 180 students – the return of the future. Winter term classes had not even begun before the student council was planning a variety of initiatives through the term to generate funds to support tsunami relief. You don't have to scratch the surface very far to discover the quality and generosity of this particular generation. The International Study Centre (ISC)'s responsibility and privilege are to try to contribute to their further development. In the midst of tragedy, it sometimes seems unfeeling to continue anything as usual. But promotion and recruiting must remain a high priority on the ISC agenda - an essential and continuing cycle to ensure the program is ever enhanced, new sources of students are identified, fresh partnerships are sought out.



DAVID BEVAN

Notes From Herstmonceux

Recruiting for the next four terms has already seen ISC representatives in many parts of Canada and the United States, as well as in different countries in Asia and Europe... with still more visits scheduled over the next few weeks in North America and Mexico.

At Queen's, with the encouragement of the vice-principal (academic) and the dean of the faculty, a combination of new courses, extended equivalencies, reduced regulatory restrictions largely across the departments of English, History and Politics will make a fall term in particular at the castle far more attracto students in those disciplines than has ever been available hitherto. Vigorous promotion of this initiative is set to begin immediately, with faculty themselves heavily engaged.

For students looking for something sooner, programs and instructors for the six-week spring (Arts/Science), eight-weeks Law, and four-week summer terms are already in place. These are high energy, high impact academic, cultural and personal encounters in an exuberant com-

munity and an exquisite setting at the most beautiful time of the year. They are increasingly popular and less expensive than regular terms and useful for elective enrichment and/or accelerating degree completion. They are increasingly prized, too, as an opportunity for distinguished faculty from several different universities to "renew" pedagogically and re-discover the excitement of an experiential and scholarly learning community, almost impossible to reproduce in "normal" university situations.

With them, they bring courses often only (to be) taught at the ISC: the European Gothic, Technology and Society, Voice and Creativity, Archaeology in Roman Britain, Cultural Spaces, Drawing and Painting in an English Country House Garden, Astronomy at the erstwhile Greenwich Royal Observatory, British Landscape Art, Opera and so many others, perhaps more recognizable. The result is an extraordinarily contagious and generalized level of excitement and exchange that reverberates throughout the venerable old castle, as it rediscovers something of the Renaissance ethos in which, of course, it was born!

So, to any prospective ISC student reading this, whether it is for the spring, summer, fall or winter, I encourage you to ask about the castle or look it up on the website, www.queensu.ca/isc. You will never regret it.

David Bevan is executive director of the International Study Centre at Herstmonceux Castle in East Sussex, Great Britain.

UNIVERSITY ROUNDUP



Didn't say it, don't believe it

Harvard President Lawrence Summers has issued a statement clarifying his recent remarks about women's abilities in math and science. He prompted anger and criticism for suggesting that innate differences between the sexes could help explain why fewer women succeed in science and math careers. As reported by the Boston Globe, Massachusetts Institute of Technology biologist Nancy Hopkins walked out on Dr. Summers' talk, saying "It is so upsetting that all these brilliant young women (at Harvard) are being led by a man who views them this way." In his Jan. 17 statement, Dr. Summers says, "My remarks have been misconstrued as suggesting that women lack the ability to succeed at the highest levels of math and science. I did not say that, nor do I believe it. I am deeply committed to the advancement of women in science, and all of us have a crucial stake in accelerating progress toward that end. In the spirit of academic inquiry, my aim at the conference was to underscore that the situation is likely the product of a variety of factors, and that further research can help us better understand their interplay.'

www.president.harvard.edu/speeches/2005/womeninscience.html

Business instincts or basic instincts

"A lot of people did simple businesses, like raking leaves and stuff like that. The main problem with university is that a lot of the stuff taught is not very practical in the real world. I think classes like this should be encouraged because everything that we've done has been practical."

Twenty-four year old St. Mary's University student Paul Pedersen reacts to the controversy over his "Girls of" calendar, produced as part of class project for an entrepreneurial course. Featuring 21 female students in various stages of undress, it earned him an A and more than \$10,000. But its sale on campus was banned.

National Post, Jan. 11

Gown goes to town

The President of the University of Winnipeg has a vision for an "educational precinct" – an ambitious expansion of his cramped campus through the redevelopment of older downtown buildings for student housing, programs for aboriginal students, lifelong learning for mature and other new initiatives. It's an approach that would give the university some badly needed new space while providing downtown building with some long-term tenants.

University Affairs, December, 2004

Learning from the tsunamis

The new year is often a time to reflect on the achievements and challenges of the past year and on the hopes and aspirations for the new one. Our reflections this year were tinged with sadness and compassion as we received details about the tragic human loss resulting from the earthquake and tsunamis that devastated Southeast Asia on Dec. 26.

We were quick to respond, individually and as an institution, offering various forms of support to relief efforts, providing counselling and assistance to members of our community whose loved ones were lost or injured and coming together in an interfaith service to remember victims of the disaster.

other ways of making meaningful contributions to the international relief efforts, many of us are also reflecting on how this tragedy has perhaps changed our approach to teaching. As professors, we often encounter students who have experienced personal tragedy in their families. We typically convey compassion by offering words of sympathy, extending deadlines or deferring examinations. However, when faced with local, national or international disasters that affect all our students at the same time, we struggle to find appropriate responses that can sustain our community of learners and help them come to terms with such incomprehensible events.

Here are some suggestions adapted from the University of Michigan's Center for Research on Learning and Teaching, for dealing with the tragedy in your classroom.

You may initiate a discussion;



JOY MIGHTY

Teaching Issues

the subject may come up spontaneously because of the course content, or because the tragedy is such an emotionally powerful topic. If students mention it, you may want to acknowledge the value of a discussion, but may defer it until you have a plan to handle it. Or you could ask students to write briefly on the topic, then you could summarize and present their ideas and reactions at the next class.

If you are not ready to handle the topic, do not feel obliged to do so. If you decide to initiate discussion of the tsunamis in the context of your course, be sure to allow enough time for a productive discussion. Have a clear framework, a connection to your class content and goals, or an acknowledgement of this significant event. It may be useful to prepare questions to guide the discussion. Expect the topic to stir powerful emotions, and be attentive to the human and emotional toll the tragedy is taking and the impact of information disseminated by you and others. Give students a chance to respond privately to the emotional impact of images and information (e.g., through writing), before processing that information analytically. Explicitly acknowledge the types of comments made, distinguishing between emotional and informational or analytical comments. Help students understand each other better by assisting them to see the different orientations of each other's statements. Students will react differently to the discussion. Some will prefer to remain silent. Try not to allow the most talkative or opinionated students to dominate the discussion.

Have a strategy for ending the discussion. Again, a short writing exercise might be helpful. You could also remind students how they can help by referring them to the Queen's tsunami website which offers resources and links to fundraising efforts and relief organizations. Suggest that students who feel troubled by the disaster contact one of the support services listed on the web page.

The enormity of the tragedy makes it especially difficult to discuss. It also makes us reflect on the gaps in our knowledge about regions, peoples and cultures affected by the disaster, and has increased our awareness of the interconnectedness of the peoples of this world.

Perhaps, in addition to hearing stories about people being miraculously saved from the terror of the ocean, years from now we will be sharing our own stories about how the tsunamis made us question what and how we teach, and were the catalysts for the development of more inclusive and diverse curricula and pedagogies.

Joy Mighty is director of the Instructional Development Centre.

Greater Minds, Greater Futures

"Oxford is the only university that could attract me to leave Toronto."

Jon Dellandrea comments on his recent resignation as vice president and chief advancement officer at the University of Toronto to join Oxford in the new role of pro vice-chancellor (development and external affairs) in October, 2004.

The Times Higher Education Supplement, Dec. 24/31

New code restores civility

Berkeley University has introduced a revised student code of conduct designed to better reflect campus values of civility, academic pursuit and mutual respect. The new code reduces the role of outside advocates or attorneys during student disciplinary hearings and makes changes to the hearing process to promote the open exchange of information and lessen the likelihood of delays. "What we saw was that the student conduct process had produced an adversarial process that pitted students against the administration," much like the regular civil court system, says Vice-Chancellor for Student Affairs Genaro Padilla, who co-chaired the review committee that drafted the code revisions. "In the university community, we expect a set of standards that are in tune with those of the larger community, but we really are focused on academics and engagement between students, and between students and faculty."

UCBerkeleyNews, Jan. 18

Study reveals inequalities to access

Young people living in the poorest parts of the United Kingdom continue to face massive social barriers that stop them going to university, a major study concludes. The results of the research, the most extensive survey of its kind ever undertaken, uncovered a "deep and persistent" divide between rich and poor. Students who live in the most affluent neighbourhoods are up to six times more likely to go into higher education than those from the poorest areas. The five-year study by the Higher Education Funding Council for England revealed the scale of the problem ministers face as they try to widen access to university.

The Independent Online, Jan. 19

Compiled by Anne Kershaw

IN BRIEF

Spin-off company signs drug distribution deal

A Queen's spin-off company has signed an exclusive agreement for distribution rights of a drug that may be used in treating rheumatoid arthritis.

Neurochem Inc., now located in Montreal, was founded in 1993 by the university's technology transfer arm, PARTEQ Innovations. The company was formed based on amyloid research by Robert Kisilevsky (Pathology and Molecular Medicine).

In December Neurochem announced completion of Phase II/III clinical trials of the drug candidate Fibrillex™ for the treatment and prevention of AA Amyloidosis, a progressive and fatal condition associated with chronic inflammatory diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis. Centocor Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson, will receive worldwide marketing and distribution rights to Fibrillex™, with the exception of Canada, Switzerland, China, Japan, Taiwan and South Korea, where marketing and distribution remain with Neurochem.

"This agreement provides Neurochem with the means to achieve good penetration for its first drug candidate. This deal moves us another step closer to the objective of getting a product on the market," says John Molloy, president and CEO of PARTEQ.

Students' synchrotron posters shine

Queen's graduate students took both of the top awards in a poster contest held recently at Canada's new synchrotron facility in Saskatoon. Melanie Adams, supervised by Zongchao Jia (Biochemistry) and Claudio Andrade, supervised by Heather Jamieson (Geological Sciences and Geological Engineering) tied for first place in a field of 65.

More than 300 synchrotron researchers from across North America, Europe, Australia and Japan gathered at the University of Saskatchewan for the annual users' meeting of the Canadian Light Source. (A synchrotron acts like a gigantic microscope that generates intense beams of brilliant light to view the microstructure of materials.)

The biggest science initiative in Canada in more than 30 years, the Canadian Light Source is a football field-sized, \$173.5-million project, funded by federal, provincial, municipal, industrial and academic sources. It began operations in January, 2004.



To inform us of your latest research findings or upcoming journal publications, call Nancy Dorrance, 533-2869, or Lorinda Peterson, 533-3234.



STEPHEN WILD

Research nurse and study coordinator Beth Orr (Anesthesiology) and Ian Gilron, director of Clinical Pain Research (Anesthesiology and Pharmacology & Toxicology) assess the reading from a patient's spirometer in new study of post-operative pain.

New treatment leads to less morphine use

PATIENTS ALSO REGAIN NORMAL BREATHING MORE QUICKLY AFTER MAJOR SURGERY, STUDY SHOWS

By NANCY DORRANCE News and Media Services Women recovering from hysterectomies require less morphine to combat pain and are able to recover their lung function more quickly when they receive a combination of two, non-morphine-like or "non-opioid" drugs as part of their treatment, a new study shows.

In combination the two drugs also reduce pain more consistently than when either drug is administered alone, reports lead researcher Ian Gilron (Anesthesiology and Pharmacology & Toxicology), director of Clinical Pain Research.

"This is exciting because there aren't many non-opioid treatments available to complement morphine in relieving movement-related pain," Dr. Gilron says.

Also on the Queen's team are Elizabeth Orr and Jorge Zamora (Anesthesiology), Dongsheng Tu (Mathematics and Statistics), and Peter O'Neill (Obstetrics and Gynecology); and from the University of Toronto Faculty of Medicine, Allan Bell.

One of the biggest issues for post-operative recovery from abdominal or chest surgery is that patients tend to lie still and take shallow breaths to avoid pain. As a result, their lungs don't re-expand quickly enough after the partial lung collapse that occurs during the operation.

While morphine works well at reducing pain when patients are at rest, it is not as effective during movement or when the patient takes a deep breath or coughs, explains Dr. Gilron. An epidural with local anesthetic that partially numbs the nerves to the affected site will prevent the pain caused by deep breaths or coughing, and allow the lungs to recover better.

Epidurals are currently the best pain treatment option after many major surgeries.

Epidurals are currently the best pain treatment option after many major surgeries. However, this is an invasive procedure, which has some risk and requires more medical resources.

"We continue to search for new approaches to using nonopioid treatments that could complement drugs like morphine for pain relief," he says. "Our study is the first to thoroughly examine the strategy of combining these two different non-opioid drugs. We were looking for two drugs that bolster each other's effects."

This research is funded by the Physicians' Services Incorporated Foundation of Ontario (PSI), which is composed of doctors from each of the province's 75 medical societies, the Ontario Medical Association, and people appointed by the board for their interest in the foundation's activities

In this study, hysterectomy patients were given a combination of an anti-seizure drug called gabapentin and an anti-inflammatory COX-2 inhibitor drug called rofecoxib, in addition to self-administered morphine. The patients were asked to rate their pain while at rest (lying in bed), sitting up and coughing. There was also one measure of lung function, which assessed airflow after patients took a deep breath and blew out as hard as they could.

The results showed that patients receiving both gabapentin and rofecoxib, compared to those who received either drug alone:

- Used significantly less morphine;
- Had higher postoperative lung performance;
- Had more consistent pain reduction at rest and with movement.

Despite the recent worldwide withdrawal of rofecoxib by Merck Frosst, the results of this trial provide new evidence for using non-opioid analgesic combinations for post-operative pain management, says Dr. Gilron, pointing out that safety issues for Vioxx (rofecoxib) have been associated with long-term chronic use of the medication.

"Our study is the first to thoroughly examine the strategy of combining these two different non-opioid drugs."

Ian Gilron

"In our study the drugs were given for three days, and usually post-operative analgesics are administered for no more than three weeks," he continues. "While rofecoxib will obviously no longer be used, we feel there is great potential for other non-opioid drug combinations in treating post-operative pain. Our study provides a trial design to look at these."

Results of the study are published in the January 2005 issue of PAIN, the official journal of the International Association for the Study of Pain.

Super bugs like big hospitals

IMPROVED INFECTION CONTROLS NEEDED, STUDY RECOMMENDS

By NANCY DORRANCE News and Media Services

Potentially deadly antibioticresistant infections such as C. difficile have a higher rate of occurrence in Canada's large and teaching hospitals, a new national study by Queen's shows.

Other "super bugs" identified in the study are methicillinresistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) and vancomycin-resistant Enterococcus (VRE).

'Our findings underscore the need for immediate improvements to infection control measures in many acute care hospitals - particularly in large and teaching facilities where more complicated types of surgery occur," says epidemiologist Dick Zoutman, Director of Infection Control Services at Kingston General Hospital (KGH) and co-chair of Ontario's permanent Provincial Infectious Diseases Committee, who headed

Also, there is a clear link between the incidence of these antibiotic-resistant organisms and a hospital's infection tracking and prevention activities, the researchers discovered.

"We now have proof that hospitals which carry out specific infection control prevention activities are more able to control these potentially fatal infections," Dr. Zoutman says.

Results of the Health Canada study, co-authored by research associate Douglas Ford of Queen's Department of Pathology and Molecular Medicine and the Canadian Hospital Epidemiology Committee, will be published in the February 2005 issue of the American Journal of Infection Control (AJIC).

The current research builds on a national survey conducted by Dr. Zoutman and Mr. Ford that was published in the AJIC in August 2003. The earlier study showed that the majority of Canada's acute care hospitals fall short of the minimum recommendations for effective infection prevention programs. These shortfalls result in over 200,000 hospital-acquired infections per year in Canada and over 8,000

In the new study, participants from the national survey were asked to provide data on the number of occurrences in their facilities of the serious hospital infections C. difficile, methicillinresistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) and vancomycin-resistant Enterococcus (VRE).

Two key practices were found in hospitals with lower infection

• Active and targeted surveillance



Epidemiologist Dick Zoutman and Research Associate Doug Ford (Pathology and Molecular Medicine) are calling for improved infection control procedures, especially in large and teaching hospitals.

hospital infections;

 Teaching infection control practices to staff who work in hospitals.

"Antibiotic-resistant infec-

to identify and count cases of tions are becoming an increasingly significant problem in Canada, and will only get worse if recommended infection control procedures aren't put into place," says Dr. Zoutman. "The bottom line in this study is that

if you increase the intensity of infection surveillance and control in hospitals, you can reasonably expect reduced rates of antibiotic-resistant organisms, resulting in decreased costs and

Russian honours for physicist Art McDonald

SCIENCE COMES FULL CIRCLE, AS QUEEN'S **TEAM PROVES** PONTECORVO'S **THEORY**

By NANCY DORRANCE News and Media Services

Nuclear physicist Art McDonald is the first Canadian to win the prestigious international Bruno Pontecorvo Prize in elementary particle physics.

The award, presented last week in Dubna, near Moscow, recognizes "the most significant investigations in elementary particle physics" as acknowledged by the international scientific community.

It was introduced in 1995 by Russia's Joint Institute for Nuclear Research, shortly after the death of renowned nuclear physicist Bruno Pontecorvo.

Dr. McDonald, leader of the international team that developed the Sudbury Neutrino Observatory (SNO), is honoured this year for solving the longstanding puzzle of the "missing solar neutrinos" by showing that neutrinos (sub-atomic particles) are transformed on their journey to earth from the sun.

The theory behind this discovery - which transformed the standard model of elementary particle physics - was first proposed in the late 1940s by the Îtalian-born physicist. At the time, he was a research scientist at Canada's Chalk River Nuclear Laboratories north of Pembroke. Ontario. In the early 1950s, Dr. Pontecorvo moved to England and subsequently to Russia, where he is still revered as one of their top scientists.

"This prize is particularly significant for us because it was Bruno Pontecorvo who first pro-

posed that neutrinos from the sun might change to other types before reaching the earth," explains Dr. McDonald. "SNO's measurements have confirmed this, changing the fundamental laws of physics and validating the detailed theories of energy generation in the sun."

Dr. McDonald also conducted research at the Chalk River facilities from 1969 to 1981. He then joined the Physics department at Princeton University, and in 1989 moved to Queen's as director of the newly-created SNO Institute.

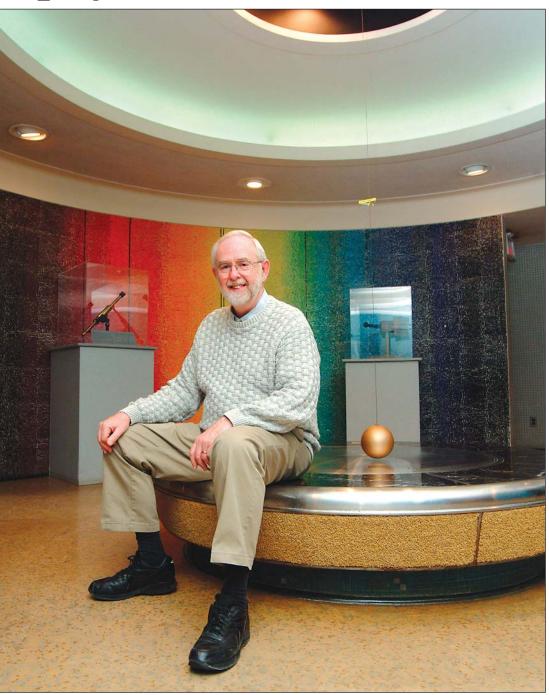
"This prize is particularly significant for us."

Art McDonald

Although their paths never crossed in Canada, the two famous physicists did eventually meet decades later at SNO's exhibit in the Canadian pavilion of Expo '92 in Seville, Spain.

"He was very interested in our exhibit because of the Chalk River connection," Dr. McDonald recalls. "We toured the facility and spent time together at the conference: it's a memory I will always treasure."

The Pontecorvo Prize is the third major science award in the past two years to be won by the SNO director. In 2003, he received the Gerhard Herzberg Gold Medal, presented by Science and Engineering Research Canada (NSERC) to the country's top scientist, and the Tom W. Bonner Prize in Nuclear Physics from the American Physical Society, for outstanding experimental research in this area. In 2001 Science Magazine ranked SNO's solving of the "missing solar neutrinos" mystery second in the top 10 scientific breakthroughs of the year.



STEPHEN WILD

Physicist Art McDonald sits beside the Foucault pendulum in the foyer of Stirling Hall.

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Deconstructing winter roads and sidewalks

Mother Nature continues to baffle meteorologists this winter with fickle weather conditions. Higher than normal, followed by lower than normal temperatures, plus a good dose of freezing rain have made for treacherous driving and walking conditions across Ontario. To help us understand how weather conditions affect roads and sidewalks, the Queen's Gazette posed the following questions to Professor Emeritus Brian Hope, civil engineer and expert in concrete and corrosion.

G: What are the main differences between asphalt and concrete?

BH: Asphalt is the short name for asphalt concrete that is a mixture of sand and stone bound together to form a hard mass using asphalt as the binder. Asphalt is now usually made from the residue of crude oil after the lighter components such as gasoline, kerosene and furnace oil have been removed. Asphalt concrete is placed hot and the asphalt hardens (polymerizes) as it cools and continues to harden for up to a year. This material is used mainly for roads, parking lots and driveways. As asphalt ages, some of the more volatile components evaporate and the roadway becomes brittle and is more susceptible to cracking in cold weather. Cracks allow water to enter and further deterioration takes place eventually resulting in the infamous potholes we all know about.

What is commonly called concrete is a mixture of sand and stone bound together with Portland cement. It is manufactured from limestone, sand and clay in a hot rotating kiln where the ingredients react together. The resulting material is ground to a very fine powder. Portland cement hardens by chemical reaction with water. The reaction takes place slowly and continues for years. After about 28 days of reaction, the concrete will have about 85 per cent of its long-term strength. If you have a basement or garage floor made of concrete, it is important to keep it wet for several days after it is poured so that the reaction can proceed. Concrete shrinks as it matures and, since it is relatively weak in tension, it will crack. This cracking cannot be avoided but reinforcing steel can be embedded in the concrete so that the cracks become a large number of very small (invisible to the eye) cracks. Alternatively, the concrete can be poured in short lengths or it can be saw-cut at intervals so that cracks form at these points and do not appear unsightly. These are the usual ways sidewalks and gutters are made.

G: Why is concrete the material of choice for building roads and sidewalks?

BH: Concrete is cheap and if properly made and placed, it is durable. It is essentially rock glued together so that it can be formed into whatever shape is required. It does not tend to soften in hot weather, as does asphalt. More than one cubic metre of concrete is made annually worldwide for every man, woman and child on this planet.

G: Why can't concrete sidewalks be made less susceptible to build-ups of ice and snow and safer for pedestrians?

BH: When a concrete sidewalk is poured the surface is given a



BRIAN HOPE

Q&A

'broom' finish. A regular broom is dragged across the surface to give a series of small ridges. This helps to prevent slipperiness when the concrete is wet. Unfortunately, when there is snow or freezing rain these accumulate on the concrete sidewalk just like they do on your car. Several years ago, experimental concrete was developed that conducts electric-

ity by adding short carbon fibres. The heating effect from the electricity melted the ice and snow. The cost of the electricity is, however, prohibitive. The simple, economical, solution is the application of sodium chloride (common salt) that melts the ice and snow.

G: How is concrete modified to protect it from the natural elements like ice and snow?

BH: Ice and snow on the surface do not in themselves affect the concrete. However freezing temperatures can have a detrimental effect. Concrete is porous and is usually saturated with water. When the temperature drops below freezing this water freezes and expands. Concrete for sidewalks contains minute air bubbles. The purpose of these air bubbles is to provide space for the expanded frozen water so

that excess pressure does not build up inside the concrete. Great advances have been made in the past 10 or so years so that the air bubbles are now smaller and more evenly distributed and so more effective in preventing damage from freezing. This winter, with its rain and sudden drops in temperature will be hard on concrete and some surface damage may occur even with properly air-entrained concrete.

G: How do products such as salt and chemical de-icers affect concrete sidewalks and roads?

BH: Salt and chemical de-icers do not affect concrete per se. However, their application causes the ice and snow to melt which requires heat. This heat comes from both the concrete and air that causes the concrete temperature to drop rapidly. This exacerbates the effects of freezing.



CELIA RUSSELL

Students encounter some slippery sections while walking across campus recently.



Pregnant?



Healthy pregnant women are invited to volunteer for a Queen's University research study on the effects of a walking program on fetal behaviour, mother's heart rate and blood pressure. If you are about 16-20 weeks pregnant and currently do not participate in a regular exercise program, you may be eligible to participate.

For more information, please contact: Sherri at 547-5752 or 9ss25@qlink.queensu.ca





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Experts address global economics, the NHL labor dispute and international adoption

QUEEN'S IN THE NEWS

Highlights of Queen's experts in the media

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Don Stuart (Law) comments in *The Globe and Mail* about current issues and laws affecting judicial activism.

Stuart

Douglas Brown (Policy Studies) comments in *The Globe and Mail* about the value of Newfoundland to Canada.

Douglas Bland (Policy Studies) comments in *The Globe and Mail* about Rick Hillier's appointment as the new chief of the Canadian Armed Forces.

A study by Eric Moore and Michael Pacey (Geography) about the migration of people to British Columbia is highlighted in the National Post, Ottawa Citizen, Edmonton Journal, Victoria Times Colonist and Vancouver Sun.



Zoutman

Dick Zoutman (Pathology) is interviewed by the National Post about statistics from a new study on a ntibiotic resistant "super bugs." The story is also

Richard

Chaykowski

(Policy Studies)

comments in

the National

Citizen and

Montreal

Gazette about

the impasse in

Post,

Ottawa

covered in the *Gazette* (Montreal), *The Leader-Post* (Regina), *The StarPhoenix* (Saskatoon) and *The Kingston Whig-Standard*.



Chaykowski

labour dispute.

Karen Dubinsky (History) comments in the *National Post* and *The Spectator* (Hamilton) about the implications of international adoption.



Nick (Law) comments about youth justice reform in the *National Post* and on *CFRB* news radio (Toronto).

Bala

An opinion piece by **Tom Axworthy** (Policy Studies) about global economics appears in the *National Post* and an opinion piece about Canada's participation in ballistic missile defence appears in the *Toronto Star*.

Robert Wolfe's (Political Studies) commentary about NAFTA appears in the *National Post*.

Kathy Lahey (Law) is interviewed on *CBC Radio's The Cur*rent about same-sex marriage.



Johnson

Lew Johnson (Business) comments in the *Toronto Star* about Nortel executives returning \$10.4 million in performance bonuses.

Caroline Falkner (Classics) comments in the *Toronto Star* about the Iliad's contemporary relevance.

Discoveries by Noel James, Bob Dalrymple, Kurt Kyser and Guy Narbonne (Geological Sciences and Geological Engineering) that prove ancient oceans were much colder than previously thought are highlighted in *The Kingston Whig-Standard* and on *CKWS TV*.

John Molloy (PARTEQ) comments in *The Kingston Whig-Standard* about Neurochem Inc. signing an exclusive agreement with Johnson & Johnson subsidiary Centocor Inc. for marketing the drug Fibrillex.

Ray Satterthwaite (Advancement) comments on the front page of *The Kingston Whig-Standard* about how tsunami giving has affected donations to Queen's.



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land (University Chaplain) comments in a front-page Kingston Whig-Standard story about how clergy and educators are making sense of

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the tsunami disaster.

Canada-U.S. relations expert **Robert Wolfe** (Political Studies) is highlighted in *The Kingston Whig-Standard*.

Wayne Myles (International Centre) comments on *CBC Radio* about student initiatives to aid in the tsunami aftermath in Southeast Asia.

Harry McCaughey (Geography) comments in a front-page *Kingston Whig-Standard* story about this winter's bizarre weather patterns.

Roel Vertegaal (Computing) continues to receive coverage for his development of "attentive cubicles," most recently on CBC Radio's As It Happens.

John Smol (Biology) continues to receive coverage for his research on climate change, most recently on *CBC on-line*.



Anita Anand (Law) is quoted in *Maclean's* m a g a z i n e about Canada Post as a monopoly.

Anand

Jean Coté (Physical and Health Education) discusses parental violence in youth sports on CBC Radio's Ontario Morning.

Sandra Olney awarded honorary degree

PEOPLE

Associate Dean (Health Sciences) Sandra Olney (Rehabilitation Therapy) recently received an honorary Doctor of Medicine from Rigas Stradina University in Riga, Latvia. Dr. Olney was recognized for her work in development of graduate programs in rehabilitation and communitybased rehabilitation management in physical therapy. Malcolm Peat, executive director of the International Centre for the Advancement of Community Based Rehabilitation was also named an honorary degree recipient, but was unable to attend.

Undergraduate student Uliana Kojolianko (Economics) is one of 27 Canadians awarded an international studies scholarship from Export Development Canada (EDC). They are awarded to top MBA students and undergraduate students in business and economics based on their demonstrated interest in finance and international business, as

well as their leadership potential and academic achievement. In addition to an award of \$3,000 for undergraduates and \$5,000 for graduates, students are also offered a four-month work-term opportunity with EDC, bringing the total value of the award to about \$14,000. The Saskatoon native is currently studying abroad in Lyon, France.

www.edc.ca/youth

Bruce Berman (Political Studies) was named president of the African Studies Association at its recent annual meeting in New Orleans. The ASA, with nearly 3,000 individual and institutional members, was founded in 1957. It is the largest academic and professional association in the world of scholars and professionals who are interested in African affairs. Its offices are located at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Jack Jeswiet (Mechanical and Materials Engineering) and Eric Hagan, MSc, were recently awarded the prestigious Joseph Whitworth prize by the Institu-



PHOTO COURTESY OF SANDRA OLNE

Associate Dean of Health Sciences Sandra Olney of Rehabilitation Therapy (centre)poses with Aivars Vetra, dean of the Faculty of Rehabilitation and director, Academic Schools, Riga Stradina University (left) and Djenana Jalovcic, Director, International Centre for the Advancement of Community Based Rehabilitation (ICACBR) at Queen's, after receiving an honorary degree from the Latvian university.

tion of Mechanical Engineers, I MECH E, a British Institution. The award is for the best Manufacturing Engineering paper of 2003, entitled, *A review of conventional and modern single point sheet metal forming methods*..

Recently retired Alumni Affairs director Catherine MacNeill has been appointed Executive Director of the Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education (CCAE), an organization for advancement professionals that works to enhance professionalism in the field and to foster public awareness of issues related to post-secondary education in Canada.

People is an occasional feature celebrating the achievements of Queen's community members. Email submissions to gazette@post.queensu.ca.



Do you or someone you know have high blood pressure?

If yes, you may be eligible to participate in an exercise study we are conducting. Men and women over 35 years of age with mild high blood pressure are needed to volunteer for a light exercise study for 12 weeks.

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IN BRIEF

Queen's to host student services conference

Queen's invites university community members to present, participate or volunteer at a large conference it is hosting on student services this June.

More than 500 delegates are expected to attend the 32nd-annual conference of the Canadian Association of College and University Student Services June 19 through 22. The deadline for submissions is Jan. 31, 2005.

The theme of this year's conference is how to balance the technology tools that enhance or simplify work with the human dimension - caring, concern and professional support. Organizers invite presenters to stimulate conference delegates with innovative presentations and resources that reflect commitment to service, whether involving high tech or high touch or a combination of the two. They anticipate opportunities to explore up-to-date research, treatment, resources, services, strategies and networking forums that highlight significant developments in the student service field.

For details, see the conference website at https://housing .queensu.ca/cacuss2005.

Families invited to discover science

Celebrate the wonders of science and technology.

Three hundred plus teacher candidates in the elementary education program at the Faculty of Education will host the 16th-annual Science Discovery Day on Saturday Jan. 29.

Children and their families are invited to participate in an afternoon of fun, geared to Kindergarten through Grade 6. Hands-on science and technology activities will be set up in the main foyer and gym of McArthur Hall on Union Street at Sir John A. MacDonald Boulevard. Drop in to explore and investigate between 1 and 3:30 pm. Admission and parking are free. For more information, call Diane Lawrence at 533-6000, ext 77229.

Exhibit examines Russian propaganda

A new exhibit at the Agnes Etherington Art Centre explores the link between visual culture and the development of Soviet identity through printed material produced for anti-religious campaigns.



Godless at the Workbench is an exhibition of illustrated journals, posters, photographs, and films created during the Soviet anti-religious campaigns of 1918-1939. Propaganda materials used in post-revolutionary Russia, produced by some of the great artists of the day, were frequently spectacular and compellingly effective in their artistic design. Such

campaigns were intended to destroy religious hierarchies and transform the values of a barely-literate population in the defining years of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. Guest curated by Annie Gerin of the University of Ottawa's art history department, this fascinating exhibition comes to the Art Centre from the Dunlop Art Gallery, Regina.

To mark the opening, Dr. Gerin will present a lecture on Sunday, Jan. 30 at 2 pm at the art centre. All are welcome and admission is free.

A musical night to remember in Grant Hall

It will be the next-best thing to being there.

On Thursday, Feb. 3 and Friday, Feb. 4 at 7 pm, the School of Music will present A Night In Vienna at Grant Hall.

Audiences will be treated to musicians and vocalists dressed in formal attire. All will have an opportunity to dance the night away to such tunes as the Blue Danube Waltz, the Emperor Waltz, polkas and some great operetta excerpts.

operetta excerpts.
Producer, Bruce Kelly and Symphony Orchestra Director, Gordon Craig describe A Night In Vienna, which first debuted two years ago, as a wonderful opportunity for students, faculty and friends to enjoy an enchanting evening.

Tickets are \$15 for balcony seating or \$40 per person (or \$300 for a table of eight) on the main floor. Those at tables on the main level will be offered an assortment of cheeses, breads and fruit. A licenced bar will be available to all.

For tickets, contact the Performing Arts Office, John Deutsch University Centre, 533-2558

For more on the event, contact the School of Music, 533-2066.

Voluntary AVCs due Feb. 4

Members of the Queen's Pension Plan (QPP) who wish to make additional voluntary contributions (AVCs) to their accounts by payroll deduction – or who wish to change their existing monthly deduction – should note that the deadline for AVC authorizations is Feb. 4, 2005.

The AVC program was modified in 1999 to allow QPP members to make contributions by payroll deduction each month without interruption, subject to a monthly contribution limit based on annual pensionable salary (see accompanying chart). Under the program, which was outlined in a memo to all plan members earlier this month, contributions will be deducted every month and will continue indefinitely, so there is no need to renew each year.

With the exception of new employees (who are allowed to enrol at the beginning of their appointment), the opportunity to enrol in the payroll deduction program is only available in February of each year. This annual "window of opportunity" also allows existing AVC contributors to either increase their deductions (subject to the monthly limit) or decrease their deduction. Participants may also stop their deduction at any time during the year (subject only to reenrolment restrictions).

QPP members who enrol in the monthly AVC program will also continue to receive notice of a lump sum or "top up" opportunity in the fall to maximize their contributions for the calendar year (this lump sum payment would be in addition to the regular monthly deduction). Members who do not make monthly contributions will also receive a general notice each fall, but individualized calculations of the

lump sum amount that may be deposited as an AVC will only be provided upon written request to the Department of Pensions and Insurance.

The maximum AVC for each salary range is based on the following factors: 18 percent of pensionable earnings to a maximum of \$18,000; less pension adjustment (PA) in 2005.

Note that the monthly AVC maxima have been established to allow some room even if salary increases occur. Queen's is required under legislation to ensure that no individual exceeds the prescribed annual limits.

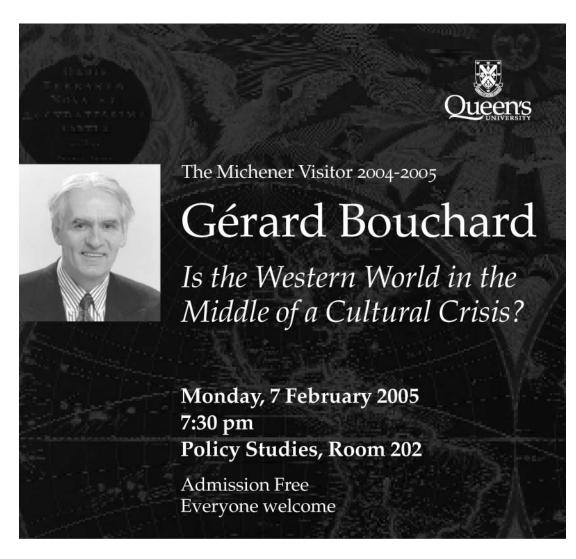
Salary increases in 2005 may require that existing monthly AVCs be reduced to avoid overcontribution problems – affected employees will be advised of any required modification of their monthly deduction.

In considering whether or not to make a voluntary contribution, plan members should keep in mind that AVCs made in the current calendar year will be taken into account in the determination of their RRSP contribution limit for the following year.

The deadline for returning completed payroll deduction forms to the Department of Pensions and Insurance is Feb. 4, 2005 (the enrolment/change form was included with the memo sent to plan members; additional forms may be obtained from Pensions and Insurance).

For more on AVCs and how they impact RRSP contribution limits, please visit the Finance Group web site available through the administration section of the Queen's homepage www.queensu .ca. For more information, please contact Pensions and Insurance at 533-6414.

ESTIMATED ANNUAL EARNINGS	MAXIMUM MONTHLY AV	
Under \$17,500	\$75	
\$17,500 to \$25,000	\$100	
\$25,001 to \$30,000	\$150	
\$30,001 to \$35,000	\$175	
\$35,001 to \$40,000	\$200	
\$40,001 to \$50,000	\$225	
\$50,001 to \$60,000	\$240	
\$60,001 to \$80,000	\$260	
\$80,001 to \$100,000	\$275	
Over \$100,000	Not available	





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Submission information

Please note that appointment submissions will be edited to address style considerations and length. Submissions should be a maximum of 200 words.

Bulletin Board

Appointments Johanne Bénard appointed

head, French Studies

Principal Karen Hitchcock announces that Johanne Bénard has been appointed head of French Studies from Jan. 1, 2005 to June 30, 2010. Dr. Bénard holds BA, MA and PhD degrees from the Université de Montréal. She taught at Maisonneuve College and the Université de Montréal before coming to Queen's in 1989 as assistant professor in French Studies. She was granted tenure in 1995 and promoted to associate professor in 1999. Dr. Bénard specializes in 20th-century French Literature. Her research has focused mainly on the work of Louis-Ferdinand Cline, and her book L'inter-dit clinien. Pour une lecture autobiographique de l'oeuvre de Louis-Ferdinand Cline was published in 1999 (Balzac-Le Griot). She is also interested in the linguistic approach to literary texts, and more recently, in autobiography in theatre. She has served on numerous departmental, faculty and Senate committees. She was acting head of French Studies in 1999 -2000 and held the same position during calendar year 2004.

David Bakhurst reappointed head, **Philosophy**

Principal Karen Hitchcock announces that David Bakhurst has been reappointed head of Philosophy for a six-year term, including one year of leave, starting July 1, 2005. Dr. Bakhurst holds a BA (Hons) from Keele University and MA and DPhil from Oxford. He taught at Exeter College, Oxford and the University of California, San Diego before coming to

Queen's in 1990. He was promoted to associate professor in 1992 and to professor in 1999. Dr. Bakhurst's research focuses on Russian philosophy, epistemology, and ethics. His publications include Consciousness and Revolution in Soviet Philosophy (Cambridge University Press, 1991), The Social Self (Sage, 1995 co-edited with Christine Sypnowich), and Jerome Bruner: Language, Culture, Self (Sage, 2001 co-edited with Stuart Shanker). He was a visiting fellow at All Souls College, Oxford, in 2001 - 02, and in 2003 he was elected to an honorary chair at the University of Birmingham, UK, in recognition of his work on Russian philosophy and psychology. He is a fellow of Britain's Royal Society for the Arts. In 1992 Dr. Bakhurst was awarded the ASUS Teaching Excellence Award. He has been head of Philosophy since July 1, 2000.

Eleanor MacDonald appointed associate dean, **Graduate Studies**

Principal Karen Hitchcock announces that Eleanor MacDonald has been appointed associate dean of Graduate Studies and Research for a two-and-a-half year term commencing Jan. 1, 2005. Dr. MacDonald is an associate professor in Political Studies, crossappointed to Women's Studies. She arrived at Queen's in 1990 to take up a Webster Postdoctoral Fellowship and SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship. In 1993, she was appointed assistant professor in Political Studies, and in 2000 was granted tenure and promoted to associate professor. She also taught as a junior fellow in the Institute of Political Economy at Carleton University in 1994 and as a lecturer in Political Science at York University in 1990. Dr. MacDonald teaches and researches in the areas of contemporary political theory and contemporary social movement politics. She co-edited with Dr. Abigail Bakan the volume, Critical Political Studies: Debates and Dialogue from the Left and has recent publications in Atlantis, Science and Society, and Studies in Political Economy. Her current research is on theoretical approaches to identity pol-

New faculty appointment

The following is a new full-time faculty member in Health Sciences: Ophira Ginsburg, Oncology (Jan. 4, 2005)

Awards and Grants Distinguished Service Award call for nominations

Alumni are invited to nominate faculty, staff, alumni or benefactors who have demonstrated outstanding contributions to the university over a number of years for the 2005 University Council's Distinguished Service Award. The awards are presented to not more than six people each year at the council's annual meeting in May. Winners become honorary life members of the council and are welcome at all annual sessions. Nomination forms are available by contacting the University Secretariat, B 400 Mackintosh-Corry Hall, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, K7L 3N6, 613-533-6095 or at www.queensu.ca/secretariat/DSAn om.html. Nominations signed by at least five council or alumni nominators must be accompanied by a covering letter and a minimum of three letters of support. Nominations must be received in the University Secretariat office by Feb. 10.

Health Sciences education awards

call for nominations These awards recognize excellence in Health Sciences education. All full-time and part-time faculty are eligible. Nominations may recognize excellence in a range of teaching methods (small group, seminar, one-on one supervision, lecture, etc), course or curriculum design, course organization, development of learning resources, education technology, evaluation, and innovation. The award will consist of a citation presented at an appropriate event and will be announced in the Queen's Gazette. Normally up to ten awards will be made in any academic year. Selection committee members: Dean, Health Sciences (Chair); President, Aesculapian Society or delegate; President, Rehabilitation Therapy Society or delegate; President; Nursing Society or delegate; Postgraduate trainee representative. Graduate student representative; Life Sciences and honours biochemistry students representative; four faculty members nominated by the committee. Nominations will be received in the dean's office until March 18, 2005.

Ontario Thoracic Society/Ontario Lung Association

The Respiratory Group at Queen's invites applications for respiratory research in both basic and clinical fields. The funds are mainly intended for use as SEED money or pilot projects, but are also available for interim funding. The maximum grant would generally not exceed \$10,000. Information Dr. D.E. O'Donnell, 102 Stuart Street, Kingston General Hospital. 548-2339. Application deadline Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2005.

Committees

Review and reappointment of Principal, Queen's Theological College

Jean Stairs' first term as principal of Queen's Theological College will end on May 31, 2006. Principal Stairs is eligible and willing to be considered for reappointment. In accordance with review and reappointment procedures in the QTC Governance Manual, (Section B.2 Appendix A) www.queensu .ca/theology/spages/Gov_Manual .shtml, a committee has been formed to review submissions received regarding her reappointment. Members are: Anne MacDermaid, chairperson; Margaret Goodwin, board; William James, Religious Studies; Rick Magie, QTC Alumni Association; William McLatchie (appointed by Principal Hitchcock), Cheryl Oshea, resource person; Don Stiles, Queen's Theological Student Society. All members of the university community should address written or email comments regarding the principalship of Queen's Theological College, to be shown in confidence to the committee, to Cheryl OShea at Queen's Theological College, Rm 212 Theological Hall, Queen's University, or by email at osheac@post.queensu.ca, before Feb. 28.

Advisory committee, **Sudbury Neutrino Observatory Institute**

In accordance with Queen's University Senate Policy on "Procedures Governing the Establishment, Reporting and Review of Research Centres, Institutes and Other Entities at Queen's University", Vice-Principal Kerry Rowe announces the membership of the advisory committee for the review of the Sudbury Neutrino Observatory Institute. Members are: Bob Erdahl, Math and Statistics; David Hanes, Physics (Chair); Heather Jamieson, Geological Sciences and Geological Engineering; James McCowan, Integrated Learning Centre; Chris Mechefske, Mechanical and Materials Engineering; Sonja Verbeek, Office of the Vice-Principal (Research) (Secretary). Members of the university community are invited to submit their comments on the present state and future prospects of the institute to the chair of the committee, Dr. David Hanes c/o the Office of the Vice-Principal (Research), by Feb.14, 2005. For more information on the institute visit owl.phy.queensu.ca/.

Governance

Elections to the Senate and the Board of Trustees

Elections to the Senate and the Board of Trustees will take place in March 2005. Nominations are requested for the following positions: 1 staff member, Senate, 3year term until 2008; 1 staff member, Board of Trustees, 4year term until 2009; 1 faculty/librarian/archivist, Board of Trustees, 4-year term

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until 2009. Nominations close Feb. 22 at 4:30 pm. Voting takes place online March 1 to 31. Results will be announced on the University Secretariat website by April 8. Nomination forms are available from the University Secretariat at B-400 Mackintosh-Corry Hall or at www.queensu.ca/secretariat /election.

Senate committees need members

Vacancies on committees for Academic Development, Educational Equity, Library, Scholarship and

Student Aid, and more Terms for students, staff and faculty start Sept. 1. Deadline for applications Monday Feb.14. www.queensu.ca/secretariat/senate/vacancy, 533-6095 or B400 Mackintosh-Corry.

Human Resources

2004 T4s

Attention students! Payroll will be updating the T4 address from the "mail address" field on QCARD. Any address changes made after Jan. 31 must be made in writing and submitted to Human

Tuition and child care benefit deadlines

Human Resources and the Office of the Vice-Principal (Academic) would like to remind staff and faculty in the various employee groups below that the deadlines for submission of applications are approaching for the Tuition Support Benefit and the Child Care Benefit.

On-line application forms are available for eligible employees:

Tuition Support: www.hr.queensu.ca/benefits/fbp-tuition.php Child Care: www.hr.queensu.ca/benefits/fbp-child.php

For assistance, email hrbenfit@post.queensu.ca

Tuition	Child Care
Feb. 28	Feb. 15*
N/A	Feb. 15*
Feb. 28	Feb. 28
Feb. 28	Feb. 28
March 31	March 31
March 31	March 31
March 31	March 31
Feb. 28	Feb. 15*
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* Notice for the following employee groups: QUFA faculty, Librarian and Archivists, QUFA Sessional Adjuncts, GTF Clinical Faculty and Senior Administration Group; the deadline for the Child Care benefit for the 2004 calendar year only has been extended until Feb. 15, 2005. The deadline for subsequent years will be Feb. 1.

Resources by Feb. 7 in order to have the correct mailing address reflected on the 2004 T4's. Please note the T4's will be mailed no later than Feb. 28.

Employee Assistance Program

For off-campus professional counselling call toll free: 1-800-387-4765 (francais 1-800-361-5676). This service can be reached 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Further information is available on the following website: www.queensu.ca/eap/

Milestones

Compiled by Faye Baudoux
If you have a milestone of 5, 10,
15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40 years or more
of continuous service coming up
and you do NOT wish your name
to be included in the listing, please
contact Faye in Human Resources
at 77791.

Congratulations to those who reached the following milestones in December, 2004.

30 years: Jane Walker, Engineering Science Library

25 years: Tara Oberai, School of English
15 years: Jennifer Galloway, Pur

15 years: Jennifer Galloway, Purchasing; LeeAnne Howland, Clinical Trials Group; Sally McKegney, Health Sciences; Sharon Weiler, Development and Business Relations

10 years: Susan Reid, Physical and Health Education

Five years: Daniel Robertson, Alumni and Donor Relations; Virginia Wilson, Education For details on job opportunities, employee development, human resources policies see the Human Resources website at www.hr.queensu.ca

Notices

Ergonomic consulting

Through the Queen's Ergonomic Consulting Program, the department of Environmental Health & Safety offers faculty and staff ergonomic consultations. These consultations include recommendations to properly arrange your workstation, reference material and a full report. Assessments are conducted by graduate students qualified in ergonomics at a cost of \$75. To request an assessment, visit www.safety.queensu.ca/qecp/ergoconsult.htm or call Mary Pople at 533-2999.

PhD Examinations

University staff may attend PhD oral thesis examinations.

Friday, Jan. 21

Johanne Myles, Education. Communicative competence in the workplace: a look at the experiences of English second language new immigrant and international engineering students during their professional internships. Supervisor: E. Krugly-Smolska, A234 Duncan McArthur, 10 am.

Surplus Items

Arts and Science offers

One Nikon Coolpix digital camera,

5.1 megapixels, 8 X optical and 4 X digital zoom. Purchased Oct. 2002 for \$2400. Minimum bid \$550. This camera is in excellent working order. For information or to view, please call Diane at ext. 77173. Submit sealed bids marked "Arts & Science" to Patti George, Purchasing Services by 4 pm on Monday, Jan. 31. Please mark bid(s) "CON-FIDENTIAL". Oueen's is not responsible in any way for the condition of any item(s) it has made available, nor for any damages or injury that may occur due to use or removal of the item(s). Queen's has the right to reject any or all of the bids. Only successful bidders will be notified.

Volunteers

Are you using the birth control pill Alesse?

Queen's Clinical Exercise Physiology Laboratory is looking for female volunteers for an exercise study that will examine the effects of Alesse on breathing and blood acidity. Criteria: physically active women ages 20 to 35 who have been using Alesse for at least the past 6 months. Subjects will be asked to participate in three laboratory visits over a period of approximately 1.5 months and will receive a measurement of their cardiovascular fitness (i.e. VO2 max test). Contact Lindsay by phone (533-6284) or email o_c_research@hotmail.com) for more information.

Research on control of action

Queen's researchers are looking for healthy male subjects between 35 and 65 year old, to participate in a study looking at self-control by









queen's university presents visiting scholar, photographer

edward **burtynsky**

Exploring the Residual Landscape

Public Lecture by Edward Burtnysky

Wednesday, January 26, 2005

7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

1101 Biosciences Complex

Open to the public. No reservations required.

Through Different Eyes: Creator, Curator, Community

Session for Faculty Members & Graduate Students

Thursday, January 27, 2005

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Agnes Etherington Art Centre

How could you engage critically with Edward Burtynsky's work in your own work?

Registration by email: envst@post.queensu.ca

Ed in my Head

Session for Undergraduate Students

Thursday, January 27, 2005

2:30 pm - 4:30 pm

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Students in Arts, Sciences, and Engineering respond to the work of Edward Burtynsky.

Registration by web form: http://www.queensu.ca/envst/

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-Department of Geological Sciences
and Geological Engineering
-Department of Art
-School of Environmental Studies

For more information: http://www.queensu.ca/envst/ www.edwardburtynsky.com



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examining eye movements. Participation requires attending two or three sessions lasting around one hour each, and will be compensated at the level of \$10 an hour. Contact Claire Boudet 533-6340 or claire@biomed.queensu.ca.

Clinical Exercise Physiology Laboratory

Premenopausal (ages 43 – 48) and postmenopausal (ages 49 – 54) women who are physically active and are not taking oral contraceptives or hormone replacement therapy are needed for a study examining the effects of menopause on breathing, blood acidity, and bone health. The study involves 2 laboratory visits over approximately one month. Information: Megan Preston at (613) 533-6284 or menopause_study@hotmail.com.

Calendar

Art

The Agnes Etherington Art Centre

University Avenue New Exhibitions

Historical Feature and R. Fraser Elliott Galleries, *Godless at the Workbench*, Jan. 30 to April 17; Contemporary Feature and The Davies Foundation Galleries, *I Feel A Great Desire To Meet The Masses Once Again*, Feb. 5 to April 24.

Events

Sunday, Jan. 30 – Guest curator's talk and opening reception. Annie Gerin, University of Ottawa. Godless at the Workbench. Agnes Etherington Art Centre, 2 pm. Saturday, Feb. 5 – Multi-media lecture and performance. The Loudest Muttering is Over: Documents from The Atlas Group Archive (offered in conjunction with the opening of I Feel A Great Desire To Meet The Masses Once Again). Ellis Hall Auditorium, 5 pm; reception at the art centre, 6:30 pm. Sunday, Feb. 6 – Lecture and film screening. Laura Marks, Simon Fraser University. Asphalt Nomads:

Virtuality in Arab Cinema, screening of *This Day*, by Akram Zaatari follows. Agnes Etherington Art Centre, 1:30 – 4:30 pm. www.queensu.ca/ageth/

Union Gallery

1st floor of the Stauffer Library (corner of Union and University) www.uniongallery.queensu.ca/

The Studio

B144 Duncan McArthur Hall (corner of Sir John A. MacDonald Blvd. and Union Street)

Still and not so still Life. Encaustic painting, Steve Elliott and screen printing Angela Costello (aka Solar) to Jan. 28. Studio hours Tuesday, noon to 1 pm; Wednesday and Thursday 11:30 am to 1 pm or by appointment. Contact Angela Solar, solara@educ.queensu.ca, 533-6000, ext. 77416.

Music

Tuesday, Feb. 1

School of Music

Guitarists Jeff Hanlon and Dave Barton (Queen's) perform Canadian music for two guitars. Douglas Library Reading Room, 4:30 pm. Reception follows in the W.D. Jordan Music Library. Free-will offering proceeds go to purchase of guitar sheet music and recordings for the music library. Concert marks the opening of a new library display of guitar music, recordings, historic instruments and guitarinspired art.

Thursday, Feb. 3 and Friday, Feb. 4

School Of Music

A Night In Vienna. \$15 balcony seating. \$40 table seating (\$300 for a table of eight). Tickets are available at the Performing Arts Office, 533-2558. Information: 533-2066.

Tuesday, Feb. 8

Guitar, eh! The classical guitar in Canada

Day-long series of concerts, master classes and presentations celebrating the classical guitar in Canada takes place at Grant and HarrisonLeCaine Halls beginning at 10 am. \$2 is requested for each concert at the door. For more information, see www.queensu.ca/music/news or contact Jeff Hanlon at hanlonj @post.queensu.ca or ext. 78610.

Departmental Seminar Schedules

Biochemistry

meds.queensu.ca/biochem/index .php/seminar series

Biology

biology.queensu.ca/seminars/dss.html

Business

business.queensu.ca/research /conferences/index.html

Cancer Research Institute

meds.queensu.ca/qcri/calendar /index.php Centre for Neuroscience Studies queensu.ca/neurosci/seminar.html

Chemistry

chem.queensu.ca/newsandevents/seminars/seminar02w.pdf

Computing

cs.queensu.ca/seminars/

Economics

qed.econ.queensu.ca/pub/calendar/week.html

GeoEngineering Centre at Queen's – RMC www.geoeng.ca

Geography

geog.queensu.ca/seminars.html

Human Mobility Research Centre

www.hmrc.ca

Law

law.queensu.ca/Visitors/index.php

Microbiology & Immunology microimm.queensu.ca/seminars/

Pharmacology/Toxicology meds.queensu.ca/medicine/pharm/

Physiology

meds.queensu.ca/medicine /physiol/physiol.sem.html **Policy Studies** www.queensu.ca/sps/calendar /week.htm

Physics, Astronomy, and Engineering Physics physics.queensu.ca

Public Lectures

Tuesday, Jan. 25

History of Medicine

Robert Maudsley, Queen's. Queen's to Karachi and back: confessions of a catalyst. 1102 Biosciences, 5 pm.

Wednesday, Jan. 26

Agnes Etherington Art Centre, Art, Arts & Science, Environmental Studies, Geological Sciences and Geological Engineering Edward Burtynsky, Photographer, Queen's Visiting Scholar. Exploring the Residual Landscape. 1101 Biosciences Complex, 7:30 pm.

Thursday, Jan. 27

Cardiac, Circulatory and Respiratory Research Program Douglas Bradley, University of Toronto. Pathophysiology and treatment of central sleep apnea in heart failure. Richardson Amphitheatre, 4 pm.

History

Caroline-Isabelle Caron, Queen's. Dancing and singing the deportation away: mid-20th century Acadian commemorations in Nova Scotia. 517 Watson, 11:30 am.

Philosophy

Erin Eaker, University of Western Ontario. What we talk about when we talk about belief. 517 Watson, 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 1

History

Robert Malcolmson, Queen's. Women, war, and diaries, 1939 – 1945. 202 Policy Studies, 7 pm.

HELP LINES

Campus Security Emergency Report Centre

533-6111

Human Rights Office

533-6886 Irène Bujara, Director

Sexual Harassment Complainant Advisors:

Margot Coulter, Coordinator 533-6629

Chuck Vetere – Student Counselling 533-2893 ext. 77978

Anti-Racism Complainant Advisors:

Stephanie Simpson, Coordinator 533-6886

Audrey Kobayashi – Geography, 533-3035

Anti-Heterosexism/Transphobia Complainant Advisors:

Julie Darke, Coordinator 533-6886

Eleanor MacDonald, Politics 533-6631

Coordinator of Dispute Resolution Mechanisms:

Please contact Harry Smith, Coordinator of Dispute Resolution Mechanisms, at 533-6495 for assistance or referral to an advisor.

Sexual Harassment Respondent Advisors:

Paul Banfield – Archives 533-6000 ext. 74460

Mike Stefano – Purchasing 533-6000 ext. 74232

Greg Wanless – Drama 533-6000 ext. 74330

Anti-Racism Respondent Advisor:

Ellie Deir – Education 533-6000 ext. 77673

Internal Dispute Resolution

SGPS Student Advisor Program 533-3169 University Dispute Resolution

Please contact Harry Smith, Coordinator of Dispute Resolution Mechanisms, at 533-6495 for assistance or referral to an advisor.

University Grievance Advisors – Staff:

Advisors - Students:

Kathy Beers – Student Affairs 533-6944

Bob Burge – JDUC 533-6000 ext. 78775

Gary Racine – Telecommunications 533-3037

Freedom of Information and Privacy Protection

Information Officer 533-2211

Commissioner

533-6095

Employee Assistance Program 1 800 387-4765

University Chaplain:

Brian Yealland 533-2186

Rector

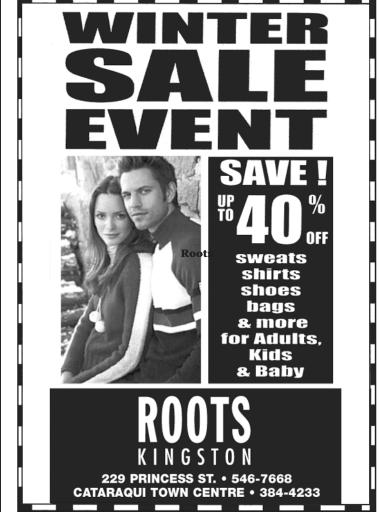
Grant Bishop 533-2733

Student Counselling Service

533-2893

*Internal numbers may be accessed from a touch-tone phone off-campus by dialling 533-6000 + extension number.





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Nature transformed through industry



Nickel Tailings #32, Sudbury, Ontario, 1996

EDWARD BURTYNSKY

Renowned photographer to visit university

By LORINDA PETERSON Canadian photographer Edward Burtynsky's large-scale photographs depict nature transformed through industry.

His subjects include recycling yards, mine tailings, quarries and refineries, rich in detail and scale, yet open to viewer interpretation. They are all places outside normal experience, yet people benefit from their output on a daily basis. According to Mr. Burtynsky, "We are drawn by desire - a chance at good living, yet we are consciously or unconsciously aware that the world is suffering for our success."

Vicki Remenda with colleagues Joan Schwartz and Peter Hodson are hosting the awardwinning photographer as a Queen's Visiting Scholar this

"There has been tremendous excitement over this project," says Dr. Remenda. "It is truly multi-disciplinary and grassroots. One wonderful idea that has grown from the excitement is to launch a program that brings in artists to interact with students and faculty in a range of disciplines. Perhaps Mr. Burtynksy's visit will be the inaugural of such a program."

Mr. Burtynsky is scheduled to interact formally and informally with faculty, students and staff from many departments across campus as well as with the general public.

He will present a free, public lecture entitled Exploring the Residual Landscape on Wednesday, Jan. 26 at 7:30 pm in 1101
Bioscience Complex. At a session called Through Different Eyes: Creator, Curator, Community, faculty members and graduate students will have a chance to discuss how they could engage critically with Edward Burtynsky's work in their own work. It will be held on Thursday, Jan. 27 at 10:30 am in the Agnes Etherington Art Centre. A third session, Ed in my Head, will enable undergraduate students in arts, sciences and engineering to respond to his work.

Those interested in participating in these two sessions should register at www.queensu .ca/envst/

Mr. Burtynsky has also loaned three pieces of his work to the university. They will hang in the Agnes Etherington Art Centre atrium for the week.

Mr. Burtynsky is one of three people to win the inaugural 2004 TED Prize. Sharing the honours are medical technologies pioneer Robert Fischell, and rock star and global activist Bono. TED, an acronym for Technology, Entertainment, Design, is a conference where 50 speakers offer their greatest ideas, inventions and passions to an audience of critical thinkers. Winners will receive \$100,000US and the opportunity to team with several major companies that have pledged to help the recipients fulfill three wishes. The three will announce their wishes at the TED conference Feb. 23-26 in Monterey, CA.

Mr. Burtynsky's visit is sponsored by the faculties of Arts and Science and Applied Science; the departments of Biology, Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Physics; the schools of Environmental Studies and Graduate Studies and Research and the Agnes Etherington Art Centre.

www.edwardburtynsky.com.

Thursday, Feb. 3

Philosophy

Colin Macleod, University of Victoria. Equality, dignity and children. 517 Watson, 4:30 pm.

Saturday, Feb. 5

Physical and Health Education Donald Macintosh Memorial Lecture, Mary McDonald, University of Miami. The politics of visibility and the queer play of the WNBA and late capitalism. McLaughlin Room, JDUC, 11:45 am.

Monday, Feb. 7

German

Sara Lennox, University of Massachusetts, Amherst. The "native question" in colonial narratives from German South West Africa. 517 Watson, 3:30 pm. Reception to

Special Events

Wednesday, Jan.

TA Townhall meeting This public forum will address matters important to TAs at Queen's with panelists Principal Karen Hitchcock, Vice-Principal (Academic), Suzanne Fortier, Dean, Graduate Studies and Research, Ulrich Scheck and SGPS President, Sam Hosseini. McLaughlin Room, JDUC, 5:30 – 7 pm. This event is open to all interested members of the Queen's community. For more information please contact the SGPS office at 533-3924, or Sam Hosseini at president@sgps.ca, or visit our website www.sgps.ca.

Saturday Jan. 29

Science Discovery Day

Children and their families are invited to celebrate the wonders of science and technology! Activities appropriate for grade K to 6 children have been planned and will be set up in the main foyer and

gym of McArthur Hall from 1 to 3:30 pm. Information: Diane Lawrence, 533-6000, ext. 77

Tuesday, Feb. 1 Queen's NDP

Rosario Marchese, MPP and NDP Education Critic speaks about the Rae Review and post-secondary education in Ontario. 14 Dunning, 5:30 pm.

Saturday, Feb. 5

Cézanne's Closet

The Union Gallery's annual gala fundraiser features more than 100 works of art, juried from donations by students, graduates, professors, and community artists. Enjoy refreshments and entertainment as ticket numbers are drawn in random order. When your number is called you have 30 seconds to claim your favorite piece from the wall. Tickets \$125 for you and a guest. Ban Righ Hall, preview 7 pm, draw starts at 8 pm. Information 533-3171 or email ugallery@post.queensu.ca.

Thursday, Feb. 10

Tri-Universities Forum

Queen's hosts the Fourth Annual Tri-Universities University Cooperation. Guest speaker, Principal Karen Hitchcock; special guests John Cowan, Principal, RMC and Nancy Wells, Vice-Principal Development and Alumni Relations, McGill University. Reception with cash bar at 6 pm, dinner at 7 pm. Goodes Hall Atrium, 143 Union Street between Frontenac and Alfred Streets. \$45 per person. Register by VISA or MasterCard at events.queensu.ca/tri_u RSVP: Angela Farmer, 533-6000 ext. 75403. Information, Judith Martin, 544-8137, judith.martin@cibc.com.

Workshops and Courses

Religion and Modernity

A free, non-credit course open to all. Offered by Religious Studies and Free Queen's. Mondays 6:30 to 8:30 pm, Feb. 7 to Mar. 21. Topics: Religious Diversity in Kingston,

Manifestations of Islam in Our Time, Religion and Ecology, Socially Engaged Buddhism, Cor. temporary First Nations Religious Identity, Sex in the Sanctuary. Register now at 533-2563 or equity@post.queensu.ca.

Submission information

To ensure we run your information correctly, Calendar items must appear in the following format: date, department, speaker's name and affiliation, title of lecture, place, time, and cost if appropriate. Please submit your information in the body of an email message to:

The next Gazette deadline is Monday, Jan. 31 at noon.

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