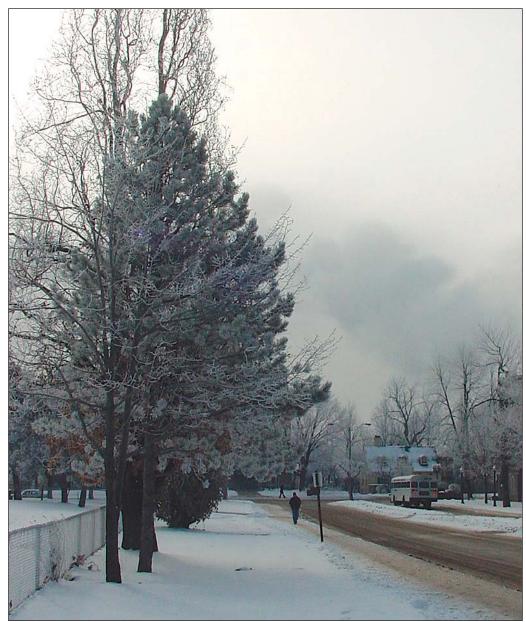


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A solitary figure strolls along University Avenue near Stuart Street on a recent frosty morning. That scene will change radically today, as 16,000 students fill the streets on their return to campus for the start of winter term classes.

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NEW COURSES ON GRAD-STUDENT SUPERVISION CATCH EYE OF OTHER UNIVERSITIES

By KAY LANGMUIR

When it comes to instructing undergraduates, most faculty rely on the science of effective teaching methods. They don't, however, get the same direction when it comes to navigating the intense one-on-one mentoring required by their graduate stu-

But an innovative series of courses on graduate supervision, bolstered by online peer support and resources, has been an instant hit with faculty and is attracting the attention of other universities.

"We're the only institution in Canada to have this breadth and wealth of things happening for graduate supervision," Denise Stockley, an educational developer with the Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL), which designed the new courses in concert with the School of Graduate Studies and Research

The idea for the courses came in the wake of a government directive urging universities to increase graduate enrolment, thus upping the pressure on faculty to meet a myriad of individual needs of graduate students.

The CTL and the SGSR then developed a certificate program consisting of five core workshops. The first one attracted 26 participants, all of whom signed up without hesitation for the

Educators in the grad school and the teaching centre knew they had found a need.

They were all so keen and so motivated," says Prof. Stockley. "This is something we envision is going to continue over the years and the workshops will be offered on an annual basis.

In addition to the certificate program, there is also an annual workshop for new supervisors, and the CTL has launched an ecommunity where faculty can share and exchange experiences and advice.

"Graduate supervision should not be done in isolation," says Prof. Stockley. "It should have the support of a community."

centre's website (www.queensu.ca/ctl) links to the beginnings of a website on graduate supervision, which includes a FAQ page where faculty can post questions on the subject, comb lists of relevant available print resources, and discover a peer-support community.

Shortly, faculty will also be able read and respond online to graduate supervision scenarios that are as varied as the thousands of students in post-graduate programs.

Here are some abbreviated examples from the graduatesupervision scenarios that will be soon be made interactive:

What do you do if a graduate student doesn't have the background knowledge you thought they had? What if it becomes apparent that their research interests diverge from yours? What do you do when thesis proposals appear to be too large or too small an undertaking? How do you determine how many grad students to take on? What do you do when a grad student

Thinking big about Queen's annual fund

Bv KEN CUTHBERTSON

big challenges. A former football player who checks in at 6'2" and 240 lbs, he starred in the early 1990s with the Concordia Stingers, when current Gaels coach Pat Sheehan was running the Montreal university's football program. As a defensive end, Mr. Chesser was adept at moving sizeable two-legged obstacles out of the way. He did his job so well that in his graduating year in 1993, he won the J.P. Metras Trophy as Canada's top university football lineman. Those days are behind him now.

"No, I'm not knocking people down anymore," the North Bay native says with a laugh. "But I'm still a guy who likes challenges, and I've set some ambitious goals for myself and for the Queen's Annual Fund program."

With Alumni Association president Dan Rees having identified a new, improved Queen's Annual Fund as one of his priorities for 2006, big changes are in

the ideal person to forge ahead with what's been dubbed the Think Big Campaign. He arrived in November after working six vears in the Advancement office at Concordia and he knows his work is cut out for him.

Although three out of four Queen's students are involved in extracurricular activities, undergrad satisfaction rates "are off the charts," and a 2005 survey done for the Principal's Task Force on Alumni Relations showed that most alumni feel positive about Queen's, those warm feelings don't translate into financial support. Two decades ago, about 23 per cent of alumni supported the university, compared to a little over 12 per cent today. While the total dollar amount of donations has increased (annual giving programs raised \$4.9 million last year for Queen's) the drop in the number of donors and their greying is worrisome.

"Capital campaigns focus on

Annual Fund program sl and has to be, about building relationships and involving people in the life and work of the university. Every gift counts, whether it's \$50, \$100, or \$10,000. They all add up, and they show that people are engaged and care about Queen's," Mr. Chesser explains.

A capital campaign raises money for special projects: new buildings and renovations, teaching chairs, and other similar initiatives. An annual fund, however, supports ongoing expenses such as student aid, equipment, libraries and lab purchases and special grants for student conferences and competitions.

'These are the essentials that make the difference between a university being good and being truly excellent.

In striving for this excellence, he has set an ambitious plan.

We're going to focus on building relationships with alumni, faculty, staff, and other

store. As new director of Annual a small number of donors, but an friends of the university," he money to Queen's. My goal is to says, "Last year, 12,496 alu and 16,339 people in total (including students, parents, faculty, staff, and friends), donated



KEN CUTHBERTSON Annual Fund Director Paul Chesser

cent per year so that by 2010, we're back over the 20-per-cent mark in participation rates and somewhere north of \$6 million annually. That means we have to retain as many current donors as possible while attracting a lot of new ones. I know it won't be easy."

He plans to create an Annual See THINKING BIG: Page 7

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IN BRIEF

Learning with technology

A distinguished professor in learning technologies and educational psychology will deliver the 2006 MSTE - Royal Bank Lecture this Wednesday, Jan. 11 at 7:30 pm.

David Jonassen of the University of Missouri will speak on Learning With Technology: Not From It in room A237, Duncan McArthur Hall.

Rather than attempting to embed knowledge in a program that teaches students, students should be using the computer as a tool to help them think more effectively, says Dr. Jonassen.

Dr. Jonassen's visit is presented by the Faculty of Education.

Ethics and medical science

Health law specialist Belinda Bennett of the University of Sydney will deliver the Willis Cunningham Memorial Lecture on Monday, Jan. 9 at 1 pm in room 001 Macdonald Hall. She will speak on Regulating Rights in a Posthuman World: Law, Ethics and Medical Science.

Dr. Bennett has published on a wide range of health law issues including legal issues relating to assisted conception, law and genetics, and reproductive decision-making. Her current research addresses the intersections between health law and globalization.

Dr. Bennett's visit is presented by the Faculty of Law.

The annual lecture honours the memory of the late Willis Cunningham who for many years was a special lecturer in landlord and tenant law.

In town for Urinetown

Here's a sure cure for the postholiday doldrums.

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Tickets are \$18 for general admission and \$14 for students and now on sale at the Campus Bookstore and also online at clubs.myams.org/qmt

Mostly Mozart

The Kingston Symphony and pianist Michel Szczesniak of the School of Music celebrate Mozart's 250th birthday with a performance of his Piano Concerto No. 20. The concert takes place Sunday, Jan. 15 at 2:30 pm at Sydenham Street United Church.

Also on the program is Boyce's Symphony No. 7 in B flat Major, and Haydn's London Symphony, Symphony No.104. Tickets are available at the Grand Theatre Box Office, 185 Sydenham Street, 530-2050 or at www.grandtheatre-kingston.com

Board of Trustees supports principal's request for inquiry

Queen's Board of Trustees has unanimously supported a request by Principal Karen Hitchcock for a full and impartial inquiry to address allegations that she misused her office while president of the University of Albany.

In a statement issued last month, Board Chair John Rae and Queen's Chancellor Charles Baillie noted that the board had authorized Robert Fiske, Jr. of the New York City law firm of Davis Polk and Wardwell "to take all appropriate steps to assure that a fair and complete inquiry is conducted as expeditiously as possible of the recently repeated and publicized allegations against Dr. Hitchcock."

Mr. Fiske has commented publicly that his efforts will first be directed at attempting to help Dr. Hitchcock get the appropriate authorities in New York to conduct an inquiry. Alternatively, the university will consider conducting its own led by him.

Dr. Hitchcock has categorically denied any suggestion that

she used her public office for private personal gain and has made her own attempts to gain access to a full and impartial hearing without success.

After the New York State Ethics Commission lost its jurisdiction to complete an inquiry that it had begun, it turned its file over to the State Attorney General for his consideration.

Dr. Hitchcock says she immediately sought and obtained an opportunity to appear before representatives of his office and requested that he conclude the inquiry. The Attorney General's office determined that he lacked legal authority to proceed with an inquiry. It indicated that he could do so, however, if authorized by the Governor of New York.

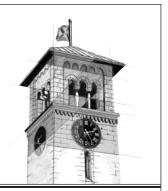
At her request, Dr. Hitchcock's counsel urged the governor to exercise his powers under the laws of the state to direct the Attorney General to examine the matter and report his findings. Dr. Hitchcock says the governor's

counsel informed her and her lawyer that there was "no governmental purpose to be served or suggestion of conduct" that could lead to further proceedings or sanctions.

Appointed Queen's principal in July 2004, Dr. Hitchcock says, "I think that I and the university community that I am privileged to serve are entitled to a fair and impartial inquiry, one in which I can respond to the rumours and innuendoes about my actions and lay them to rest once and for all."



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Examining Queen's role in disaster response

WORKSHOP SOLICITS
IDEAS FROM QUEEN'S
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During a year of seeming unfathomable calamity and human suffering across the globe – the tsunamis tragedy, the earthquake in Pakistan, Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans – the university is now reflecting upon how it can move to another level of disaster response.

Members of the Queen's community are being invited to a workshop Thursday, Feb. 2 organized by the Queen's Partnership Committee for the

Tsunami Affected Regions. Entitled, Queen's Role in Recovery and Rebuilding: It's time for a plan, the afternoon workshop will review Queen's tsunami relief efforts to date and examine the university's role in responding to international disasters.

Principal Karen Hitchcock established the Queen's Partner-

ship Committee in early February 2005 to provide direction and oversight to a university-wide response.

Workshop participants will be asked to consider these questions: Is there a central role for Queen's to play in responding to international disasters? What is that role? What should be the

criteria/guiding principles for deciding when Queen's will assume a role in responding to an international disaster and long-term development?

The workshop will take place in room 202 Policy Studies from 2 to 5 pm. For an agenda and to register, visit http://info.ce.queensu.ca/Tsunami/registration/

Retreat explores population and public health initiative

Administrators and faculty members will gather Tuesday, Jan. 31 to explore the establishment of a Population and Public Health Institute (PPHI) and a School of Population and Public Health (SPPH) at Queen's.

The Population and Public Health Retreat is open to all faculty and is taking place at the request of Principal Karen Hitchcock. It will run from 8:30 am to noon in room 202 Policy Studies. Lunch will follow.

Currently, Canada does not have a school dedicated to the study of the prevention of pandemics, such as AIDS.

The program will begin at 8:45 am with a welcome by Principal

Hitchcock. She will report on the status of the Population and Public Health Initiative. This will be followed by a review of the development of the PPHI and SPPH initiative and an opportunity for discussion. The process for establishing the institute and school will also be communicated.

Those participating should

RSVP to Andrew Barrett, at barrett@post.queensu.ca by Friday Jan. 20. Those who are unable to attend, but wish to remain involved can ask to be informed of future developments. A web page on the initiative is being developed.

Members of the executive committee of the Population and

Public Health initiative are Brenda Brouwer (School of Graduate Studies and Research), Keith Banting, Lorna Jean Edmonds (Office of Research Services), Willliam Mackillop (Health Policy Research Group), Arthur Sweetman (Policy Studies) and David Walker (Faculty of Health Sciences, School of Medicine).

Law professor named judge

Associate Dean of Law Gary Trotter has been sworn in recently as a judge of the Ontario Court of Justice.

"I am very honoured and privileged to have this great opportunity," says Prof. Trotter. "I will greatly miss Queen's, especially my students. Some of my former students have already presented cases before me in court. It gives me a great sense of pride when that happens."

A criminal law professor in the Faculty of Law since 2000, Justice Trotter became acting dean in 2004 when former dean, Alison Harvison Young, was appointed a judge of the Superior Court of Justice of Ontario. He served until William Flanagan was appointed dean of the faculty last year.

"Prof. Trotter is a nationally recognized scholar and expert in criminal law, and a much loved teacher here at Queen's Law," says Dean Flanagan. "Although



Gary Trotter

he will be greatly missed by all of us at Queen's Law, we are delighted with his appointment to the Ontario Court of Justice and wish him all success."

Prof. Trotter recently coauthored a paper on wrongful

convictions in terrorist cases in England, in which he explains how laws that give governments extraordinary powers to fight terrorism increase the risk that innocent people will be imprisoned. He is also working on a book on homicide in Canada, as well as the third edition of the Law Of Bail In Canada.

He has published various works on aspects of the criminal law and has been actively involved in the National Judicial Institution, which trains judges, and the Kingston Youth Shelter.

Prof. Trotter was called to the bar in 1987, and was in private practice briefly before joining the criminal section of the Crown Law Office of the Ministry of the

Attorney General in 1988.
For 12 years, he was a Crown counsel, chiefly responsible for appeals in the Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court of Canada. He will preside in Toronto.

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can't write clearly, or makes excuses for not getting work done, or isn't showing independent thought?

Every opportunity has been taken to promote and expand the discussion of graduate supervision online. Workshop participants were also asked afterward to post pertinent questions and case studies.

"Graduate supervision should not be done in isolation. It should have the support of a community."

Denise Stockley

"People's lives are so busy. If you want to make information available, you have to make it accessible," says Brenda Brouwer, associate dean in the School of Graduate Studies.

Before the workshops were developed, faculty had only one graduate supervision handbook to guide them through what can be "a very scary experience," says Dr. Brouwer.

"It's not unheard of to be hired on faculty and boom, you've got a graduate student. And every partnership you enter into with a student is a little bit different...so you really have to make sure you're meeting the needs of that student."

Recently, Queen's representatives did a presentation on the graduate supervision initiatives for the Educational Developers of Ontario Association "and we were inundated with inquiries afterward," says Prof. Stockley.

The courses are also appealing to experienced professors and faculty news comers alike, says Dr. Brouwer.

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Rx for "Aberdeen Syndrome"

Now that the uproar over the Homecoming'05 riot on Aberdeen Street has died down, Queen's officials, a committee of City Council, the AMS, police, and citizens' lobby groups all are working to come up with a prescription to treat what I call "Aberdeen Syndrome." That's the mindset that prompts some students to presume they have a right to party-hearty on public streets in the neighbourhoods around campus.

The short, gloomy answer to the question, "How do we prevent another Aberdeen street party?" is that there's no magic pill to cure the problem. The causes of Aberdeen Syndrome are too diverse, too rooted in social currents that run deep. That said, I do have a suggestion to propose, one that I think would help lessen the symptoms.

First, a few words about the chief cause of the problem: today's undergrads, the children of the Baby Boomers and of Douglas Coupland's so-called Generation X, arguably are the most pampered and spoiled offspring ever born. They are a generation that's been raised with all the care of hothouse orchids. They've been sheltered from the "real world," pampered with material comforts, and relieved of responsibilities by parents too busy with careers to set, let alone to enforce, behavioural boundaries. And as the saying goes, you reap what you sow. (As a parent myself, don't I know it?)

From our political and business leaders down to the kids playing in the schoolyard, accountability is as rare in our society as a five-cent cigar; finger pointing has been elevated to an art form. We're a society of victims. "That's not my fault." "Society made me do it." "The landlord deserves it." "The cops are hassling me."

In a kinder, gentler world, those who are privileged – and those who are students at Queen's *are* indeed privileged – would exercise a concomitant degree of responsibility. If that happened, I suspect the Kingston community would be more willing to cut students more slack. With privilege comes responsibility, and with responsibility comes privilege. Or so it should be.

It doesn't do much good to get exercised about the prevailing attitudes in society or about the paucity of social responsibility nowadays; for better and for worse, attitudes are what they are. That

doesn't mean that we have to throw up our collective hands and accept that what is must be. Apart from the way our grads help shape society, Queen's has little or no influence on attitudes out there where the students come from. But university officials do have control of what happens on campus, who are admitted as students, and what they study once they get here. With that in mind, back to that suggestion I mentioned above.

Queen's would do well to introduce a similar "community service" component as part of its undergrad degree requirements.

It's one that I think could go a long way toward erasing the problematic student mindset that divides Kingston into two camps: Us (students) versus them (permanent residents) and prompts some students to behave like drunken sailors on shore leave.

My prescription for treating the Aberdeen Syndrome is a riff on a theme that's part of the province's secondary school curriculum. In order to graduate from Grade 12 in Ontario, a student must complete a set number of hours of public service. This encourages students to be active in their communities, gives them life experience, and builds understanding about how the real world works. Somewhere between high school and university, those who are admitted to Queen's from Ontario schools (and that's most of them) seem to forget those lessons.

Queen's would do well to introduce a similar "community service" component as part of its undergrad degree requirements. Every student should be obliged to serve a set number of hours working in Kingston as a volunteer with seniors, a social agency, a charity, or recreational group. When appropriate, the experience could be in a career-related area.

Earlier this year, I sat as a member of the Principal's Task Force on Community Relations. At one point in our deliberations, I voiced this idea. Several of the academics on the committee looked at me as if I had two heads. They dismissed my suggestion out of hand as being unworthy of serious consideration. I thought then and still think they were wrong. A public service component to a Queen's undergrad degree is an idea whose time has come; it ties in perfectly with Principal Hitchcock's strategic initiative to "engage the world."

Just because no other university has such a degree requirement doesn't mean it's not worth doing. If Queen's blazed the trail, the university would attract national attention, and you can bet that it would be positive.

Students who are involved in their communities are less likely to engage in the kind of mindless, drunken, and selfish behaviour that marred Homecoming'05 celebrations and has poisoned town-gown relations. With increased involvements come better communications, a heightened sense of social responsibility and respect for others. We could use a lot more of all three in Kingston. They're certainly preferable to the travails we've experienced of late, and to the police taser gun zaps that could well be in store for those students who succumb to Aberdeen Syndrome during Homecoming'06.

QUEEN'S FLASHBACK: SEPTEMBER, 1988



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This photo taken outside Summerhill has QNS #1 and the date marked on the back of it. Does QNS stand for Queen's National Scholars? Readers' help in identifying these people would be appreciated. Email details to gazette@post.queensu.ca

Letters

Student support for Queen's Centre misrepresented

Re: Students make record pledge, Queen's Gazette, Dec. 12, page 1.

It is not accurate to say, as this item does, that "71 per cent of students" voted in support of an annual student fee dedicated to raising money for the Queen's Centre. This is because only 709 students actually voted on the question when it was put to the AMS's Annual General Meeting in March 2005.

At the time, the Queen's Journal (March 18) reported the exact numbers, and the Journal's letters page was the site of some debate on whether the matter of the fee should have been put to a referendum in which all 13,000-plus students could have their say.

As it happened, of 13,987 fulltime students, 579 voted in favour, 130 against, with 30 abstentions – this means that 4.1 per cent of the full-time undergraduate population actually voted in support of the fee.

Given the controversy that continues to surround the project,

one would at least hope that some of the basic facts are not subjected to unnecessary distortion.

> Charles W. A. Prior (PhD '03) Faculty of History University of Cambridge Cambridge United Kingdom

(Editor's note: It should be clarified that 71 per cent of the students at the AMS's annual meeting last March voted in favour of an annual fee per student that would raise \$25.5 million over a 15-year period.)

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FORUM

Fostering a new mindset

The internationalization of Canadian post-secondary institutions over the past 15 years has offered both opportunities and challenges. Universities have expanded international partnerships for research and student mobility, increased the flows of international and exchange and study abroad students and transformed curriculum content. These changes have forced departments and student-service units to employ different approaches to services such as academic advising, career and student counselling, student accommodations and the provision of health services. They have also put stress on the departments and services offering support to growing numbers of students either travelling abroad and returning home or arriving from abroad.

Some critics say that the indicators cited as the successes of internationalization only record the visible impacts of the activity. What is more substantive is what is happening within institutions to integrate internationalization into policies and practices, and to reshape the mindset and behaviour of the people making decisions and/or serving the students in the institution, so that new and diverse opinions and activities are accommodated more easily.

At Queen's University International Centre (QUIC), we have taken steps to meet these challenges. QUIC is committed to promote university-wide ethos that builds an internationally informed and cross-culturally sensitive community. Our fundamental principles are: mutual respect and exchange between cultures is essential to cross-cultural understanding; building community among the diverse populations enables cultural adjustment for those in transition; providing quality service

WAYNE MYLES

Diversity

and education enhances the well being and safety of students; and as educators, trainers and facilitators, we are partners with our academic colleagues in enhancing the learning environment of Oueen's.

If Queen's is committed to internationalizing the broader learning environment as indicated in the current discourse on campus, then we as a community must change how we go about our daily business. We must develop the capacity to view the world from different perspectives. From this vantage point, internationalization means reshaping the way(s) we know. The change in mindset requires time to learn and reflect, opportunities to encounter people from diverse backgrounds and to learn about their lives and the chance to question why we each do things as we do. New times and new challenges require training. To facilitate this, QUIC has built into its mandate a training role for faculty, staff and students at Queen's and else-

Since 2000, QUIC has sought to become a recognized training centre for international education support service workers and professionals within and outside the Queen's. Examples of the centre's activities that assist staff, students and volunteers as they encounter diversity on campus include: working with Human Resources and various departments to introduce international students and their various culperspectives to staff tural through QUIC workshops; setting up training for QUIC's volunteers and casual staff that features the development of international competencies and diversity training; initiating an 11-month internship for a new-comer to the international education profession that involves job shadowing and mastering skills and competencies in various aspects of international education and developing the International Educators Training Program (IETP) for international education professionals (www.queensu.ca/quic/ietp).

The IETP embodies the essence of our training vision. It competency-based training focusing on how we behave as we encounter diversity in our daily lives. Through group activities, case studies and discussions, participants gain a deep understanding of the profession and learn to perform day-to-day tasks more effectively. Over the past three years, IETP staff and instructors have developed courses for international education professionals, especially front-line departmental staff members, international managers, international student advisors and education abroad advisors. The program offers beginner-level courses in advising and programming for international students, advising and programming for study abroad and "Internationalization of the Workplace." We also offer a course on advanced topics in international education.

As Queen's moves toward a more international learning environment, it is essential that we also make the opportunities and resources available to all members of the Queen's community to develop the skills and knowledge to work effectively as together we engage the world.

Wayne Myles is director of Queen's University International Centre (QUIC). This is adapted from an article printed in CACUSS Communiqué. Volume 6 (1). Fall, 2005.

Not just for chemists

Researchers in chemistry, chemical engineering, materials science and the life sciences now have better access to chemical data and literature, thanks to recent enhancements to two key databases and a growing network of free chemical information search tools available on the Internet.

Last August, Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS), a division of the American Chemical Society, released an updated version of SciFinder® Scholar™ (SFS), the premier databas chemical literature. It contains about 40 million references to scientific papers published from 1907 to the present and selected pre-1907 publications. It also includes patent documents from more than 50 issuing authorities and references to medical literature from the National Library of Medicine's MEDLINE database. Separate linked databases contain 26 million chemical structure and 9 million reaction records. Researchers may search for substances by name, structure, molecular formula, and CAS Registry® Number. New features in SFS 2006 include a chemical structure similarity search, the ability to include variable attachment positions and repeating groups in structure searches, and pre-search filters.

Also released in 2005 was Beilstein Crossfire Commander, version 7.0. It contains physical and biological property data for 8 million organic compounds and

MICHAEL WHITE

Books and Bytes

9 million reactions published in scientific papers from 1779 to the present. In addition to searching by chemical name, registry number, molecular formula, and structure, searchers can construct queries from hundreds of physical property, pharmacological, and biological data fields such as boiling/melting point, critical temperature, and toxicity. Cited references are provided for all data and are linked to full-text sources where available.

Both SciFinder Scholar and Beilstein CrossFire are available in the Engineering and Science Library and may be downloaded to personal computers for use on campus. Off-campus access is not available at this time.

Researchers looking for chemical information access a growing number of specialized databases on the Internet. One of the largest and best known is Pub-Chem, which contains information on the biological properties of small molecules. It is organized as three linked databases: PubChem Substance, PubChem Compound, and PubChem BioAssay, and contains 8 million substances, 5 million unique structures, and 180 bioassays, the results of biological screening tests. Users may search for compounds by name, synonym, keyword, and structure.

The small-molecule database ZINC was created by researchers at the University of California San Francisco to facilitate structure-based screening of potential drug compounds. It contains some 3.3 million compounds in 2 and 3-dimensional formats. Data are obtained from chemical vendor catalogs and other public databases such as PubChem.

Analytical chemists, physicists wealth of chemical property data via the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Data Gateway. The NIST Chemistry WebBook contains thermochemical data for over 7,000 organic and small inorganic compounds, reaction thermochemistry data for 8.000 reactions and infrared, UV/Vis and mass spectra data for 32,000 compounds. Users can search by compound name, molecular formula, CAS Registry® Number, molecular weight, chemical structure, and selected ion and spectral properties. Other NIST databases include the Computational Chemistry Comparison and Benchmark Database and the Ceramics WebBook.

For details, contact the Engineering and Science Library at 533-6981 or visit library.queensu .ca/webeng

Michael White is librarian for Research Services, Engineering and Science Library.

UNIVERSITY ROUNDUP



Leaders to voice education priorities

In an effort to ensure that all parties' views on the critical issues of higher education and research reach as many voters as possible, Canada's universities sent an open letter to the four main federal leaders Dec. 9, calling on each party to outline its commitments to higher education. The Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC) sent the letter on behalf of its 90 member institutions, asking the parties to answer eight questions on their policies for postsecondary education investments in four critical areas: capacity and quality; affordability, outreach and support; international education; and graduate studies and research. "With Canadians seeking access to a high quality, postsecondary education in record numbers, our universities face increasing pressures in these key areas as they work to produce more graduates, more innovative ideas, and more international linkages than ever before," says AUCC board chair Bonnie Patterson, who is also president of Trent University. The AUCC will release their responses publicly on

www.aucc.ca, Dec. 13

As seen on TV: Come to Dundee

The University of Dundee has become the darling of the advertising industry – the first time any higher education institution in the UK has found itself with such unlikely admirers. Dundee has successfully harnessed the media to attract students, helping to reverse years of decline. University applications have shot up by 83 per cent since 2000. Dundee's campaign consisted of quirky adverts and marketing targeted at students rather than career advisers, promising them "serious fun" on everything from beer mats and bus shelters to youth television channels MTV and E4. The question now is whether other establishments will copy what is viewed within the media as a unique example; or if Dundee's trendy initiative will remain a leap too far for most. "We had to dispel a lot of negative perceptions," says Joan Concannon, Dundee's director of external relations. "We took a route very different from the usual promotional literature, a photo of five ethnically different students. We said this is a serious research-based university, but you can have fun here too."

The Guardian, Dec. 20

Fatal retraction

The University of New Hampshire alumni association recently killed off 501 of its members, erroneously listing them as deceased in its 2005 directory of former students. Shortly after the guide was mailed to some 2,000 graduates, alums began calling from the grave. Hugo Riciputi, a 1954 graduate, was among them. "I ordered the directory last year and received it a few weeks ago," he said. "I didn't know I had died in the interim." Those listed as dead ranged from the Class of 1935 to the Class of 2003. The association has posted the names of the victims on its website, along with an apology. The misprint apparently resulted from a coding error by the company that published the directory, said Sarah Potter, associate executive director of the association. None of the deceased seemed distraught to learn of their passing. Said Clifford Bourgoine, who graduated in 1956: "I'm pretty sure I'm still alive." Mr. Riciputi was equally sanguine. "It's only a problem if they make that same mistake in the doctor's office.

The Chronicle of Higher Education, Dec. 9

Books when you want them

University presses are sustaining the shrinking market for scholarly monographs with new digital-printing technology. Professors have always depended on university presses to publish the scholarly books that help faculty embers earn promotion and tenure. But demand for those monographs is usually limited. A typical scholarly book sells only a few hundred copies within the first year or two. Thanks to recent improvements in printing technology, however, more and more university presses have moved to a new strategy of short initial runs, printing additional copies if and when any new orders come in. That way, older books don't clog the warehouse and titles are never out of print.

 $The \ Chronicle \ of \ Higher \ Education, \ Dec. \ 9$

Help for scholarly book production

The program that subsidizes the publication of academic works in the social sciences and humanities is getting a 50-per-cent boost in its annual budget. The federally sponsored Aid to Scholarly Publications Programme will see its funding increase to \$1.5 million in 2005-06 from the previous \$1 million, said Paul Ledwell, executive director of the Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences, the body that administers it. The new funding will allow the program to support about 180 publications a year, up from 140. In addition to supporting more authors, the funding boost will also allow the ASPP to increase the size of its subsidy to publishers to \$8,000 per monograph from \$7,000 currently.

University Affairs, January

Compiled by Celia Russell

Troy Day wins prestigious Steacie Prize

MATHEMATICAL BIOLOGIST'S MODELS PREDICT RISK OF **CROSS-SPECIES INFECTION**

By NANCY DORRANCE

A Queen's expert in modeling the transmission and evolution of infectious diseases such as SARS and avian flu is the 2005 winner of the prestigious Steacie Prize, presented annually to a young scientist or engineer for outstanding research in Canada.

Troy Day, Canada Research Chair in Mathematical Biology, studies the evolution and causes of infectious diseases through the use of mathematical models. His research examines how and why diseases appear when they do, as well as the reasons some diseases become deadly while others remain relatively benign.

"Troy Day is an exemplary model for our new generation of researchers, many of them work-

ing at the frontiers of interdisciplinary science," says Vice-Principal (Research) Kerry Rowe. "The Steacie Prize is a well-deserved recognition of his ability to navigate difficult mathematical problems to find solutions to compelling biological questions, and his potential to enrich our knowledge in the future."

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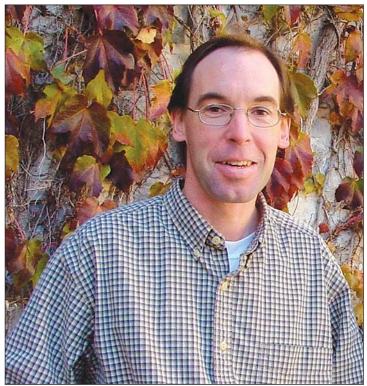
Kerry Rowe

Most emerging diseases in people, such as SARS and avian influenza, arise from cross-species transmission of an infectious agent to humans. "In order for such cross-species transmission events to spark a substantial outbreak, typically there must first be some level of evolutionary adaptation by the infectious

agent to the new host," explains Dr. Troy. "But not all crossspecies transmission leads to such adaptation, followed by outbreaks. We are attempting to predict the kinds of cross-species infections that are most likely to give rise to evolutionary adapta-

Awarded annually to an outstanding science or engineering researcher under the age of 40, the \$15,000 Steacie Prize honours the memory of Edgar William Richard Steacie, a physical chemist and former president of the National Research Council of Canada. It is supported from the income of the E.W.R. Steacie Memorial Fund, which was established in 1963 through contributions from friends, associates and former colleagues of Dr. Steacie.

Prize recipients are invited to deliver a lecture about their research work at the Steacie Institute for Molecular Sciences in Ottawa. John Smol (Biology), Canada Research Chair in Environmental Change, won the Steacie Prize in 1992.



cells provides his students with a strong understanding of innovative uses of sustainable and

As academic advisor for the solar vehicle team, Dr. Harrison has mentored more than 600 students while they obtain handson experience with sustainable

renewable energy.

energy technology.

"Dr. Harrison and Dr. vanLoon are true champions of sustainability."

With the students on the Solar Vehicle Team, he educates the public about solar and alternative energy, energy efficiency

An internationally renowned environmental chemist, Dr. van-Loon helped create Queen's School of Environmental Studies and was a driving force in developing its graduate program in environmental sustainability. His

innovative courses have involved

symposia, debates, seminars,

field trips, posters, research pro-

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Troy Day, Canada Research Chair in Mathematical Biology.

Profs honoured for environmental contributions



CMHC award winners Steve Harrison (Mechanical and Materials Engineering) and Gary vanLoon (Chemistry, Environmental Studies).

By NANCY DORRANCE

Queen's professors have won both of this year's national awards for sustainability education from the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC)

Steve Harrison (Mechanical and Materials Engineering) and Gary vanLoon (Chemistry, Environmental Studies) received the

Excellence in Education Award for Promotion of Sustainable Practices in a recent ceremony

"Dr. Harrison and Dr. vanon are true champions of sustainability in their respective fields," said Steve Jacques, CMHC Ontario manager of community development and research, in

announcing the awards. "They continue to educate, not only here in Canada but abroad as well, that sustainability happens at many levels. Whether it is demonstrating the vast uses of solar energy applications or envisustainable approaches to agricultural practices, they are both creating the

sustainability champions of the

future." Founder of the Queen's University Solar Vehicle Team, Dr. Harrison has spent the past three decades developing and ing solar energy equipment. His research of lighting systems for buildings, energy management, solar air conditioning and fuel

local, national, and international Outside the classroom, Dr. vanLoon has promoted sustainable development through research projects in India, Nigeria and South Africa. His projects on agricultural systems and teaching collaborations have influenced the undergraduate programs at several universities and have led to communities

adopting long-term sustainability

practices. The CMHC Excellence in Edu-

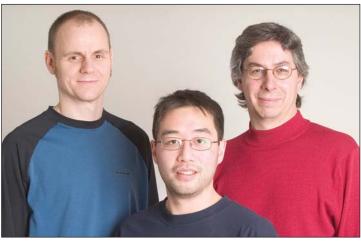
cation Award honours outstanding educational contributions to sustainable practices in the fields of architecture, planning, landscape architecture, urban design, geography, engineering, and environmental studies. The award recognizes secondary and post-secondary educators in Ontario who have integrated sustainable concepts in housing and community development into the academic curriculum.

Capturing chemical processes on film Queen's Chemistry graduate student Anthony Lee is part of an

international research team that has, for the first time, "filmed" a chemical reaction in real time from the molecule's point of view.

The chemical processes that transform one molecule into another happen at unbelievable speeds - typically within a millionth of a millionth of a second. The research team's new approach to studying these fastest of chemical processes uses a technique that permits observation from the molecule's point of view and uses ultra-short laser pulses that are several hundred times faster than the chemical processes. Their work is reported in the international journal Sci-

Led by Senior Research Officer Albert Stolow of the Steacie Institute for Molecular Sciences (National Research Council of Canada), the team also includes postdoctoral fellow Oliver Gessner and collaborators from Canada, the U.S. and the UK. Mr. Lee's supervisor at Queen's is Chemistry Professor David Wardlaw.



NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL

Research team leader Albert Stolow (far right) of the National Research Council, with Queen's graduate student Anthony Lee (middle) and postdoctoral fellow Oliver Gessner.

PARTEQ launches new tool for sharing research

Queen's faculty and staff now have a simple way to share their research findings and other resources with their colleagues and the public around the world.

Flintbox™, an online, webbased service for knowledge-sharing developed by the University of British Columbia, is now available to the university commuthrough PARTEQ Innovations, the university's technology transfer office.

Flintbox enables creators of research information and products to "push" their research outcomes into the public domain easily and quickly, from across the research spectrum. Individuals can share their ongoing research activity and gain feedback for iterative improvements, or they can market end-use "products," from inventions, software and databases to teaching resources, surveys, protocols, methods, biological materials (via Material Transfer Agreement) and promotional materials. Resources can be freely shared, or offered for online license, purchase and download.

Exceptional Google ratings enable potential users to quickly find and connect with research postings, which they can purchase, download for free, or from which they can request further

"We are pleased that we can now offer this kind of assistance to researchers, particularly in the humanities and social sciences," says John Molloy, President and CEO of PARTEQ. "There has been increasing interest in the nonpatentable research results and products coming out of these disciplines. Now creators of these types of intellectual property at Queen's have a fast, simple way to share resources developed out of their expertise.

Over the next few months, PARTEQ staff will be working with departments and faculty across the university to explain the technology and help interested individuals get started with postings.

Initially launched at UBC in 2002 as a fast, simple means to market, distribute and license university-generated software not suitable for patent or exclusive license, Flintbox has proven its worth as a tool for efficiently and cost-effectively marketing high-volume, non-patentable as well as patentable research products and outcomes.

'The beauty of Flintbox is that it provides the capability to freely share, or to market and sell, research outcomes, with virtually no administrative burden or associated costs," Mr. Molloy says.

"Flintbox greatly enhances our ability to market early-stage technologies in our portfolio that were developed by Queen's researchers.'

Queen's community members can sign on to Flintbox at www .flintbox.com/partners/parteq, or via the PARTEQ website's Research and Inventors page. They can also contact PARTEQ Office Manager Jane Gordon at 533-6000 ext. 77872.

Currently more than 23 universities, hospitals and research institutes across Canada are licensed to post projects on Flintbox. The service is also being piloted at eight U.S. universities. www.flintbox.com/partners/parteq

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Fund "season," from September through April, so that potential donors know when to expect a solicitation; establish the annual giving process as an important and mutually beneficial lifelong relationship between the university and its boosters; announce and celebrate successes so people will know how their dollars are being used and seek new ways to engage Queen's community members in the life and work of the university.

"Ideally, we'd like all alumni to come back to campus for their reunions. We'd like to see everyone involved in and giving back to the university," says Mr. Chesser. "More realistically, what we would like is to get to a situation where all alumni, faculty, and staff consider Queen's among the top four or five causes they support each year. If we can do that, we'll be on the right track, and the university will be

New alumni president has new vision

By KEN CUTHBERTSON

It has been more than 17 years since Dan Rees came to Queen's for the first time, yet he still has vivid memories of the occasion. In the fall of 1988, Mr. Rees and his father drove to Kingston from Halifax.

"I came here because of its first-rate Commerce program," he recalls. "When I got here, I discovered there was a lot more to the university than academic excellence. He has fond

Frank Collom, and dating his

future wife, Kelly Kyle. In addi-

tion to his education, he took

away a fondness for the univer-

sity and a desire to give some-

thing back if the opportunity It did when Mr. Rees, now

working and living in Toronto

with a young family, heeded the

advice of friends and alumni

Gary Clarke and former Queen's University Alumni Association

(QUAA) president Joe Lougheed.

In 2004, he joined the Principal's

Task Force on Alumni Relations.

Convinced that he had some-

thing more to offer and that the

experience would be worthwhile, he agreed to serve as president of

the Alumni Association, for a two-year term until 2007.

the other staff in Alumni Relations and Annual Giving state

the case for change," Mr. Rees

explains. "I believe strongly in

what they were saying: Queen's

needs a new model for alumni

relations, one that stresses

Brown, the QUAA board and

association members, Mr. Rees

engagement and participation." After consulting with Ms.

"I was impressed when I heard director Judith Brown and

memories of

years, first year

in residence,

classmates,

learning from

profs such as

Ken Wong and

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set five priorities for 2006.

They are: motivating Queen's leaders in Canada, the United States, and around the world to become engaged in the QUAA and in the life and work of the university; reinventing and improving the annual Homecoming reunion and reasserting the weekend as an important alumni celebration; smoothing the transition of students as they become alumni and go out into the world to begin their careers, raising families, and fulfilling their own potentials; revitalizing the QUAA's presence in the vital Greater Toronto Area, where almost one of every four alumni live; and establishing a firm footing for the Queen's Annual Fund to provide the university with the financial support it needs to maintain and improve its level of excellence.

The priorities fit with the work of the Principal's Task Force on Alumni Relations and the overall direction of the univer-

sity, says Mr. Rees. "The alumni opinion survey that was done for the task force reservoir of goodwill for Queen's out there, but we haven't been engaging it as well as we might have. I'm very optimistic that we will begin to turn the tide in the coming year. My own experience thus far has been highly positive. Being involved with the QUAA and with the Board of Trustees has been a wonderful opportunity to gain some valuable experience while giving back to Queen's in a way that's important and meaningful.

"The Alumni Association will be 80 years old in 2006, and it's in the process of changing and redefining itself as it moves forward in a new era. This really is an exciting time, and I hope a lot more people will seize the opportunity to get involved in the QUAA and in the many good things that are happening at the university."

Dan Rees welcomes input and ideas from the university community. Email alumpres@post.queensu.ca

Judging in the 21st Century



Chief Justice of Canada, The Right Honourable Beverley McLachlin, P.C.

The Right Honourable Beverley McLachlin, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, describes the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms as the ultimate expression and legal manifestation of a culture of respect, tolerance and accommodation of difference.

The third woman appointed to the Supreme Court of Canada, she will deliver the 2006 Chancellor Dunning Trust Lecture this Thursday, Jan. 12 at 5 pm in Dunning Hall Auditorium. Her talk is entitled Judging in the 21st Century. A reception will follow in the Faculty of Law Students' Lounge in Macdonald Hall. Her visit is sponsored by the Senate Committee on Creative Arts and Public Lectures.

Appointed in 2000, Beverley McLachlin is the first female Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada. She was also the first woman appointed to the BC Court of Appeal and the first female BC Supreme Court Jus-

The Chief Justice and her court have responsibility for ensuring that Charter principles are upheld, and in carrying out this responsibility have made difficult, ground-breaking and sometimes controversial decisions. The Chief Justice has worked hard to ensure that Canadians understand the fundamentally important role of the courts, and has furthered the cause of judicial independence and respect for the rule of the law around the world.

The surreal world of Beijing World Park



Cinema Kingston presents *The World* by acclaimed Chinese director Jia Zhangke on Sunday, Jan. 15 in Etherington Auditorium, 94 Stuart St. at 7 pm. Tickets are \$8 at the door; a season pass is also available. Visit www.film.queensu.ca/cinemakingston.

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Experts address federal election issues, health risks associated with obesity and Iraq's political future

QUEEN'S IN THE NEWS

Highlights of Queen's experts in the media

■ Dec. 9, 2005 - Jan. 3, 2006

Tom Axworthy's (Policy Studies) expertise is highlighted in the Globe and Mail including opinion pieces about the youth agenda in Canadian politics; issues and ethics in the current election campaign; and comments about the timing of how the election campaign unfolds and general election strategy. His opinion pieces about public investment to create a stronger, safer Canada, and John Lennon, Pierre Trudeau and the current election campaign appear in the Toronto Star.

Jonathan Rose (Political Studies) discusses negative ads and attack



Axworthy



Blake



Monica Stewart (Faculty Recruit-

ment) discusses accommodating

Raver



Rose



Scott

Kerry Rowe (Research) comments in the Globe and Mail about the benefit of the ORION network to researchers.

Bill Blake (Business) discusses physical exercise and active life styles as a key to preventing burnout in the Globe and Mail.

John McGarry (Political Studies) co-authors an opinion piece about Iraq's political future in the Globe and Mail.

Kim Nossal (Political Studies) comments on the front page of the National Post about the federal campaign's silence on the war in Afghanistan; in the National Post about the need for more public discussion about the dangers before Canadian troops are sent to Afghanistan and Stephen Harper's new defense policy; and in the Ottawa Citizen and Vancouver Sun about anti-Americanism in the current federal election campaign.

An opinion piece co-authored by **Douglas Bland** (Policy Studies) discussing the idea of political neutrality in the public service appears in the National Post and his co-authored study is also the subject of a National Post story.

Matt Thomson (Business) discusses candidate branding during election campaigns in the Toronto Star.

Vern Quinsey (Psychology) comments in the Toronto Star about diagnoses for murderers who cut up their victims' bodies.

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ads in campaign advertising in

the Globe and Mail and in a

the needs of family members while recruiting and orientating new faculty at Queen's in the Globe and Mail.

Laurence Ashworth (Business) comments in the Globe and Mail about when people are most likely to use money-saving

coupons.

Roel Vertegaal (Computing) discusses the attentive user interface or Eye-Contact Sensing Glasses developed at Queen's in the Globe and Mail.





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John McFarlane (Athletics) comments in a National Post profile of men's hockey coach Kirk Muller (Athletics).

Professor emeritus Ned Franks (Political Studies) comments in the Ottawa Citizen about ministerial accountability in the sponsorship scandal.

Peggy Cunningham (Business) discusses Jack Layton's nostalgic marketing in the Ottawa Citizen.

Douglas Reid (Business) comments in the Ottawa Citizen, Montreal Gazette, Regina Leader Post, Edmonton Journal, Calgary Herald and Victoria Times Colonist about WestJet Airlines business strategy.

Tamara Small (Sociology) comments in a Canadian Press story about the perils of using blogs as tools in election campaigns. The story receives extensive coverage including the Montreal Gazette, London Free Press, Hamilton Spectator and St. Catharines-Niagara Standard.

Richard Ascough's (Religious Studies) co-authored book, Passionate Visionary, is mentioned in the Globe and Mail as one of Canada's top business books for 2005. He also discusses the significance of the star of the east in the Kingston Whig-Standard.

Robert Wolfe (Policy Studies) discusses in Le Devoir and on Radio Canada International (Montreal) the difficulty of imagining a WTO agreement on agriculture that did not require Canada to reduce its tariffs and increase its import quotas on products covered by supply management; and in the Kingston Whig-Standard, Cornwall Standard Freeholder and New Glasgow Evening News about Canada-U.S. integration and Green Party policy.

Ken Wong (Business) comments on the front page of the Kingston Whig-Standard about the exploitative nature of the recent lululemon athletica store opening in downtown Kingston and about the proposed strategy of using a referendum to finalize decisions about building a new arena in the city; and in Marketing Magazine about Loblaw's marketing strategy.

Jill Scott's (German) innovative think-tank project on creativity and conflict resolution in a post-Sept.11 world is highlighted in the Kingston Whig-Standard.

Dale Kristensen (Biology) comments on the front page of the Kingston Whig-Standard about black widow spider sightings in Economic predictions Kingston made by Ken Wong, Lynnette Purda, Douglas Reid and John McHale (Business) at the Business Forecast Lunch are reported in the Kingston Whig-Standard.

Ethan Rabidoux (AMS) comments about elections Canada's plan to bring voting booths to university campuses in the Kingston Whig-Standard.

Robert Ross (Physical and Health Education) comments in the Kingston Whig-Standard about obesity and physical activity.

Jana Raver (Business) discusses networking at holiday parties on CKWS TV.

Ken Edgecombe (HPCVL) comments in itbusiness.ca on the launch of Sun Microsystem's new technology that delivers higher performance levels with less power consumption.

Lewis Johnson (Business) comments in the New York Times about the appeal of income

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For further information or nomination forms. please contact:

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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

New Faculty Appointments

Robert Hickey, School of Policy Studies, Jan. 1, 2006.

Awards and Grants Distinguished Service Award call for nominations

Alumni are invited to nominate a candidate for the 2006 University Council's Distinguished Service Award. Inaugurated in 1974, this prestigious honour is normally granted to a maxiumum of six people a year. Potential recipients include anyone in the "Queen's family" - faculty, staff, alumni or benefactor who have demonstrated outstanding contributions to the university over several years. The council's executive committee chooses recipients, and the awards are presented at the annual meeting in May. Winners also become honorary life members of council and are welcome at annual sessions. Nomination forms and details are available from the University Secretariat, B 400 Mackintosh-Corry Hall, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, K7L 3N6, 613-533-6095 or on the web at www.queensu.ca/secretariat/DSA/NomFormDSA.html. Deadline: Feb. 10.

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 for pilot projects, but are also available for interim funding. Applications should be received by Feb. 8. The maximum research grant would generally not exceed \$10,000. Information: Dr. D.E. O'Donnell, Kingston General Hospital, 548-2339.

Governance

Senate committees need members

Faculty, staff and students are invited to participate on several committees including Academic Procedures, Budget Review, Non-Academic Discipline, Student Aid and more. Terms start Sept. 1. Apply now! Deadline: Monday, Feb. 13. Call 533-6095 or visit B400 Mackintosh-Corry. www.queensu.ca /secretariat/senate/vacancy

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Staff job postings

For information on staff job postings and staff appointments, visit www.hr.queensu.ca. The site is updated weekly.

For details on job opportunities, employee development, human resources policies see the Human Resources website at www.hr.queensu.ca

Nominations

Bracken Chair in Genetics and Molecular Medicine, Health Sciences

The Faculty of Health Sciences seeks to fill the Bracken Chair in Genetics and Molecular Medicine, a newly established endowed research chair in the Department of Pathology and Molecular Medicine. In filling the chair, the faculty will build on existing strengths and expertise in one of the following research programs within the Department of Pathology and Molecular Medicine: multi-drug resistance in cancer, cancer biology and genetics, molecular hemostasis, and amyloidogenesis. The Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences seeks nominations/applications within the Queen's faculty.

Nominees/applicants must be at the level of associate professor or professor, have a PhD and/or MD degree, or equivalent, and be established, highly productive and independent scientists with an international reputation for excellence in one of the noted research areas. The successful candidate will hold either a tenured or geographically full-time appointment within the Department of Pathology and Molecular Medicine for a five-year, renewable term. Evaluations will begin Feb. 1. Self-nominations will be accepted. Submit nominations /applications, including a detailed curriculum vitae of the nominee and the names of three referees, to: Dr. Kanji Nakatsu, Associate Dean, Academic, Faculty of Health Sciences, Macklem House, 18 Barrie St. Kingston, ON K7L 3N6.

PhD Examinations

Members of the regular staff at the university may attend PhD oral thesis examinations.

Monday, Jan. 9

Frank Xiaofei Gu, Department of Chemical Engineering. Release of Bioactive Protein Drugs From A Biodegradable Device. Supervisors: R.J. Neufeld, B.G. Amsden, 312 Dupuis Hall, 12:30 pm.

Monday, Jan. 16

Najah Abed Ahmad Abu Ali, Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering. A Framework for Resource Management of VPLS Connections over MPLS Core Networks. Supervisors: S. Gazor, H.T. Mouftah, 302 Walter Light Hall, 1:30 pm.

Abdulhai Mohammad Baker Al-Alami, Department of Mechanical and Materials Engineering. Modelling, Instrumentation and Testing of a Die Insert Built With the Laminated Metal Tooling Process. Supervisor: G. Zak, 312 McLaughlin Hall, 1 pm.

Wednesday, Jan. 18

Jennifer May MacLeod, Department of Physics. Scanning Tunnelling Microscopy
Characterization of Nanoscale
Structures Grown on Low-Index
Silicon Surfaces. Supervisor: A.B.
McLean, 201 Stirling Hall, 9:30 am.

Surplus Items

Physical Plant Services offers for sale

1991 Aerostar Van "Where is, as is." 76,700 km. Reserved bid: \$1,500. Bids will be accepted until Jan. 18, 2006 at 11 am. For information or to view, call Deborah McElroy, Physical Plant Stores, ext. 36074. Submit sealed bids, mark the envelope with "1991 Aerostar" and return the bid to Deborah McElroy, Physical Plant Services by 11 am on Jan. 18. Please mark bids "Confidential". Queen's University is not responsible in any way for the condition of any item it has made available, nor for any damage or injury that may occur due to use or removal of the item. Queen's University reserves the right to reject any or all of the bids. Only successful bidder will be notified.

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STUDENT FORUM

Access, Tuition Fees, and Student Assistance Monday, January 16 6:30pm – 8pm

Lower Ceilidh, IDUC

OPEN TOWN HALL FOR THE FULL COMMUNITY

Diversity
Tuesday, January 24

12pm – 1:30pm Policy Studies Rm. 202



Everyone is welcome!

Read the Principal's discussion paper at http://queensu.ca/principal/lookingahead

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study examining the effects of menopause on breathing, blood acidity, and bone health. This Physical and Health Education study involves 2 laboratory visits over approximately one month. For more information contact Megan Preston at 533-6284 or email menopause_study @hotmail.com

Calendar

Unless otherwise specified, all events are free.

Art

Agnes Etherington Art Centre

University Avenue at Bader Lane

New exhibitions:

Telling Stories, Secret Lives. Contemporary Feature and Samuel J. Zacks galleries, and Etherington House. Jan. 15 – April 30. Telling Stories, Secret Lives is inspired by an upsurge in the use of narrative in contemporary art. Jan. 26: Curator of Contemporary Art Jan Allen offers a tour of the exhibition. 12:15 pm.

Matt Rogalsky: When he was in high school in Texas... The Davies Foundation Gallery. Jan. 21 - May 14. Jan. 21: Celebratory Reception for new exhibitions. 7-9 pm, all wel-

Current exhibitions:

Looking Back: Some Artists Who Have Worked in Kingston, Historical Feature Gallery, to April 2.

Mid-20th Century Canadian Prints, Frances K. Smith Gallery, to June 4. Mid-20th Century Inuit Prints, African Gallery, to July 9. The Dancer Transformed: Masks of West Africa, R. Fraser Elliott Gallery, to July 23.

Wrought Emotions: European Paintings from the Permanent Collection, The Bader Gallery, to Jan.

Writers' Online Forum: The Secret Life of Art. You are invited to submit original texts (up to 500 words in length) written in response to one of the seven works of art featured in the exhibition Telling Stories, Secret Lives. Visit the gallery or www.aeac.ca after Jan. 14 to view works and submit your story, essay, poem, or rant. Selected pieces will be posted on the art centre web site through the run of the show. The TSSL Prize for Art Writing, a \$200 cash award, will be announced following the close of the exhibition. Deadline: April 30. Jan. 19: Highlights tour: Guided tour of current exhibitions. 12:15 pm, free.

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The Studio

Faculty of Education

Union Street at Sir John A. Mac-Donald Boulevard The Beautiful Women Project featuring sculptor Chervl-Ann Webster. Jan. 16 – March 31. Opening reception: Sunday, Jan. 22, 2-5 pm. www.websterwood.com/bwp Studio hours: January and February, Tuesday to Friday, 11:30 am -3 pm, Saturday and Sunday, noon – 3 pm or by appointment. Information: Angela Solar,

solara@educ.queensu.ca, 533-6000 ext. 77416.

Union Gallery

Stauffer Library Main Gallery: sim.pa.ti.co, featuring fourth-year BFA students Alexandra Chowaniec and Miranda Urbanski, to Jan. 10. Project room: Working Out, featuring Valerie LaJeunesse. uniongallery.queensu.ca

Conferences

Canadian Jewish Law Students Association

Jan. 13-15: The Canadian Jewish Law Students Association (CJLSA) holds its 19th annual conference at the Château Laurier, Ottawa. The CJLSA is a non-profit national organization that represents Jewish law students across the country. The conference is open to all students (including those in law school and those interested in law) and to members of the Jewish and/or legal communities. Participants will discuss the Jewish principle of tikkun olam, repairing the world. Speakers include Alan Baker, Israeli Ambassador to Canada, Warren Kinsella, former Liberal party advisor and Daniel Pipes, director of the Middle East Forum and prize-winning columnist for the New York Sun and the Jerusalem Post. To register, visit www.cjlsa.ca or email cjlsa2006@gmail.com.

Jan. 27-28: Context and Meaning: Papers in Art History and Art Conservation. The Graduate Visual

Culture Association in Department of Art's sixth-annual conference. Features 24 papers by graduate students on topics ranging from Medieval and Renaissance art and 19th-century dress to the history of collecting and contemporary art and craft practices. Agnes Etherington Art Centre. Details: clubs.myams.org//gvca/gvca.htm

Courses and Workshops Wednesday, Jan. 18

Drama

Jillian Keiley, artistic director of Artistic Fraud. St John's. Nfld. Visiting artist in the Department of Drama Jan. 16-18. Public workshop/demonstration: Kaleidography: Creating the scene using a timing based ensemble. Vogt Studio, 4-7 pm. Details: Carol Anne Hanna, hannaca@post.queensu.ca or Natalie Rewa. rewan@post.queensu.ca

School of English

Courses for international graduate students. Pronunciation Skills: Jan. 17- Feb. 28, Tuesdays 4 - 6 pm, \$190, registration deadline: Jan. 9. Presentation Skills: March 7-April 11, Tuesdays 4 - 6 pm, \$190, registration deadline: Feb. 24. For details or to register, call 533-2472 or email soe@post.queensu.ca.

School of Medicine

TIPS for Faculty (Teaching Improvement Project Systems), Faculty Development, School of Medicine, April 27-28, Donald Gordon Centre. New faculty and more experienced teachers wel-

HELP LINES

Campus Security Emergency Report Centre

533-6111

Human Rights Office

533-6886 Irène Bujara, Director

Sexual Harassment Complainant Advisors:

Margot Coulter, Coordinator

Chuck Vetere - Student Counselling 533-2893 ext. 77978

Anti-Racism Complainant Advisors:

Stephanie Simpson, Coordinator 533-6886

Audrey Kobayashi – Geography, 533-3035

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Sexual Harassment **Respondent Advisors:**

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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

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SGPS Student Advisor Program 533-3169

University Dispute Resolution Advisors - Students:

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

University Grievance Advisors - Staff:

Kathy Beers – Student Affairs 533-6944

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Gary Racine – Telecommunications

Freedom of Information and Privacy Protection

Information Officer 533-2211

Commissioner

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Employee Assistance Program 1 800 387-4765

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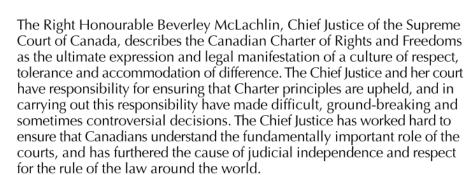
Student Counselling Service

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









Thursday 12 January 2006 5 pm **Dunning Hall Auditorium**

Reception to follow Faculty of Law Students' Lounge Macdonald Hall



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Departmental Seminar Schedules

Ban Righ Centre www.queensu.ca/dsao/ind /banrigh/events.htm

Biochemistry meds.queensu.ca/biochem /index.php/seminar_series

Biology biology.queensu.ca/seminars

Business

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

Cancer Research Institute meds.queensu.ca/qcri/calendar /index.php

Centre for Neuroscience Studies queensu.ca/neurosci/seminar.html

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

Computing www.cs.queensu.ca/seminars/

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Economics qed.econ.queensu.ca/pub

/calendar/week.html

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

geog.queensu.ca/seminars.html

Human Mobility Research Centre www.hmrc.ca

Law

law. queensu. ca/V is it or s/index. php

Microbiology

microimm.queensu.ca/events/seminar2006.html

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

Film

Wednesday, Jan. 11

Agnes Etherington Art Centre National Film Board of Canada screening of Pegi Nicol: Something Dancing About Her. Film charts the course of the artist's short and remarkable life. McGill-Queen's University Press marked the artist's birth 101 years ago with the publication of Laura Brandon's biography, Pegi by Herself: The Life of Pegi Nicol MacLeod, Canadian Artist. A discussion with film director Michael Ostroff and Dr. Brandon follows. 7 pm.

Music

Thursday, Jan. 26

Jane Siberry in concert with Jill Barber. Grant Hall, 8:30 pm. Presented by the Ban Righ Centre. Tickets \$20. Details: 533-2976.

Public Lectures

Wednesday, Jan. 11

Clinical Education Centre

Crystal Grass, Queen's. Critical Theory and Institutional Ethnography in Health Services and Policy Research. Clinical Education Centre, 4 pm. Details: D. Forster, 3dmf@qlink.queensu.ca

2006 MSTE - Royal Bank Lecture Faculty of Education

David Jonassen, University of Missouri. Learning With Technology: Not From It. A237 Duncan McArthur Hall, 7:30 pm.

Thursday, Jan. 12

Dunning Trust Lecture

The Right Honourable Beverley McLachlin, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada. Judging in the 21st Century. Dunning Hall Auditorium, 5 pm. Reception follows in the Faculty of Law Students' Lounge in Macdonald Hall. Sponsored by the Senate Committee on Creative Arts and Public Lectures.

Friday, Jan. 13

Faculty of Education

David Jonassen, University of Missouri. Faculty and graduate student symposium: Research on ICT in Teaching & Learning: Questions for Study. e-Learning Hub, B242 Duncan McArthur Hall, 9 am. Register by Jan. 11 with Tricia Walker, walkert@educ.queensu.ca.

Wednesday, Jan. 18

Agnes Etherington Art Centre Inaugural Frances K. Smith Lecture in Canadian Art Charles Hill National Callery of

Charles Hill, National Gallery of Canada. Daniel Fowler and the Founding of the Royal Canadian Academy. Agnes Etherington Art Centre, 7:30 pm.

Clinical Education Centre

Howard Smith, Queen's. Qualitative Research as World View. Clinical Education Centre, 4 pm. All welcome. Details: D. Forster, 3dmf@qlink.queensu.ca. Snow date: Jan. 25.

Sunday, Jan. 29

Agnes Etherington Art Centre Koerner Foundation Visiting Artist Lecture

Vera Frenkel, media artist. The Institute: Or, What We Do for Love. Agnes Etherington Art Centre, 2 pm.

Special Events

Monday, Jan. 23

The Monday Morning Forum William Barclay Allen, Michigan State University. Now that the university is the new high school, where does one get a higher education? Short presentation, followed by discussion. University Club, 168 Stuart St. 8:15 am coffee and muffins; program starts at 9 am. Sponsored by the Retirees' Association of Queen's and Queen's University.

Gazette deadlines and issue dates

Due to technical difficulties, the editorial deadlines for the Gazette are currently unavailable on the Gazette Online website. (qnc.queensu.ca/gaz_online.php)

The following is a listing of editorial and paid advertising deadlines and publication dates for the winter and spring terms. Paid ad booking deadlines are usually two weeks before the issue date. The **noon** deadlines for editorial submissions (news, bulletin board, calendar items, etc.) are usually one week before the issue date.

PAID AD BOOKING DEADLINE	EDITORIAL DEADLINE	ISSUE DATE
Monday, Jan. 9	Monday, Jan. 16	Monday, Jan. 23
Monday, Jan. 30	Monday, Feb. 6	Monday, Feb. 13
Monday, Feb. 13	Friday, Feb. 17	Monday, Feb. 27
Monday, Feb. 27	Monday, March 6	Monday, March 13
Monday, March 13	Monday, March 20	Monday, March 27
Monday, March 27	Monday, April 3	Monday, April 10
Monday, April 10	Monday, April 17	Monday, April 24
Monday, April 24	Monday, May 1	Monday, May 8
Monday, May 8	Monday, May 15	Tuesday, May 23

Submission information

Submit Calendar items in the following format:

date, department, speaker's name and affiliation, title of lecture, place, time, and cost if appropriate. Email to:

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The next deadline for Bulletin Board and Calendar items for the Jan. 23 *Gazette* issue is at noon on Monday, Jan. 16.

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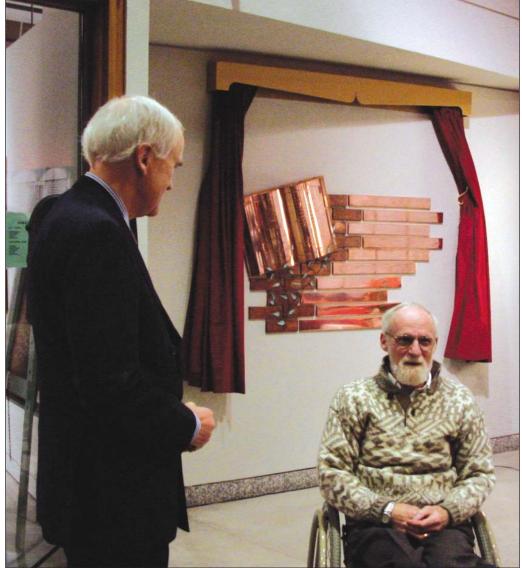
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Chancellor Charles Baillie (left) and sculptor Barry Blunden chat at the recent unveiling of the Chancellor A. Charles Baillie Teaching Award at the Stauffer Library Loggia. Mr. Blunden created the award, which recognizes undergraduate or graduate teaching that has an outstanding influence on the quality of student learning at Queen's. Chancellor Baillie and representatives of the TD Bank, whose donations made the award possible, were guests at the ceremony, which also included representatives from the Centre for Teaching and Learning, Principal's office, University Secretariat and university faculties, teaching award winners and others.