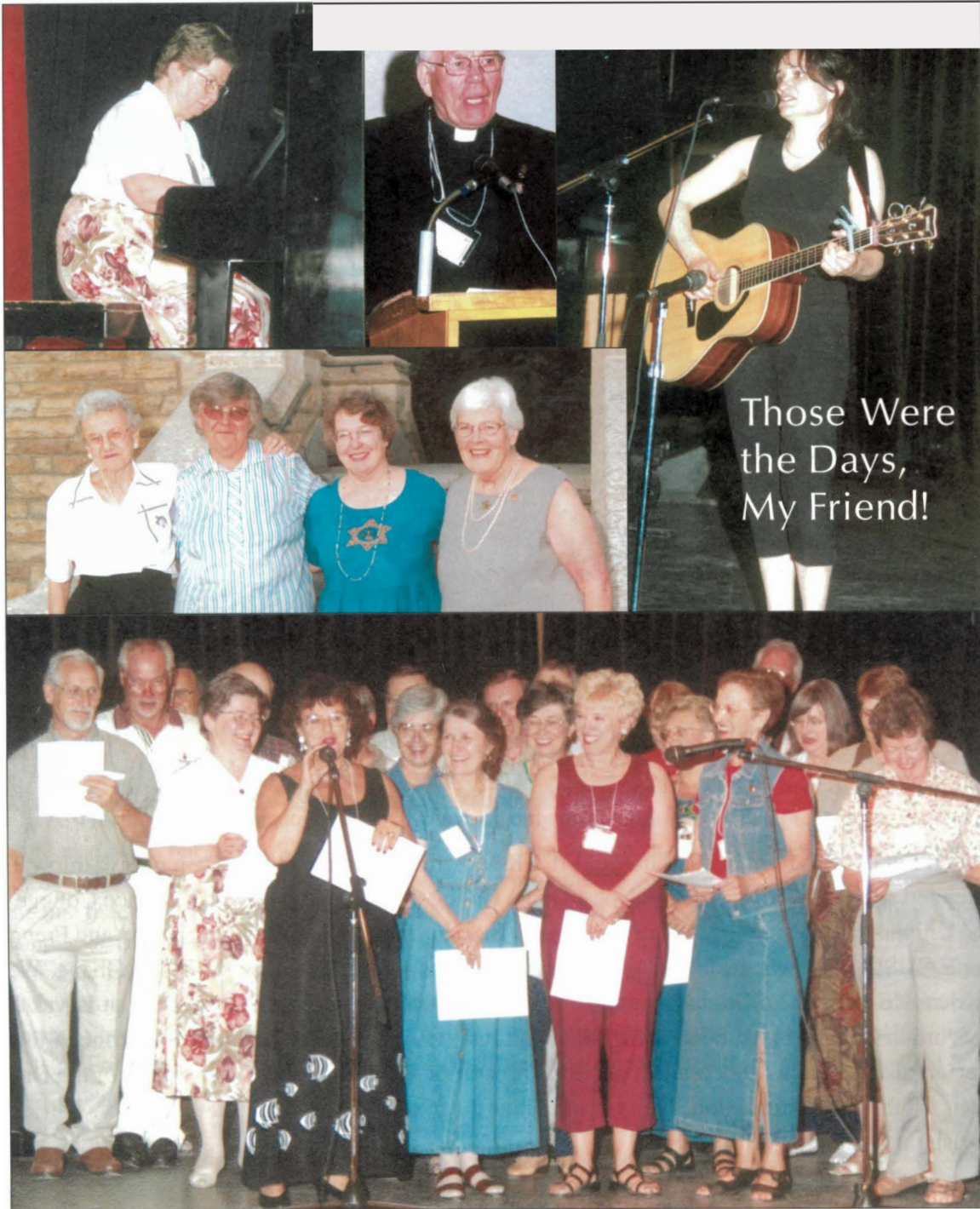


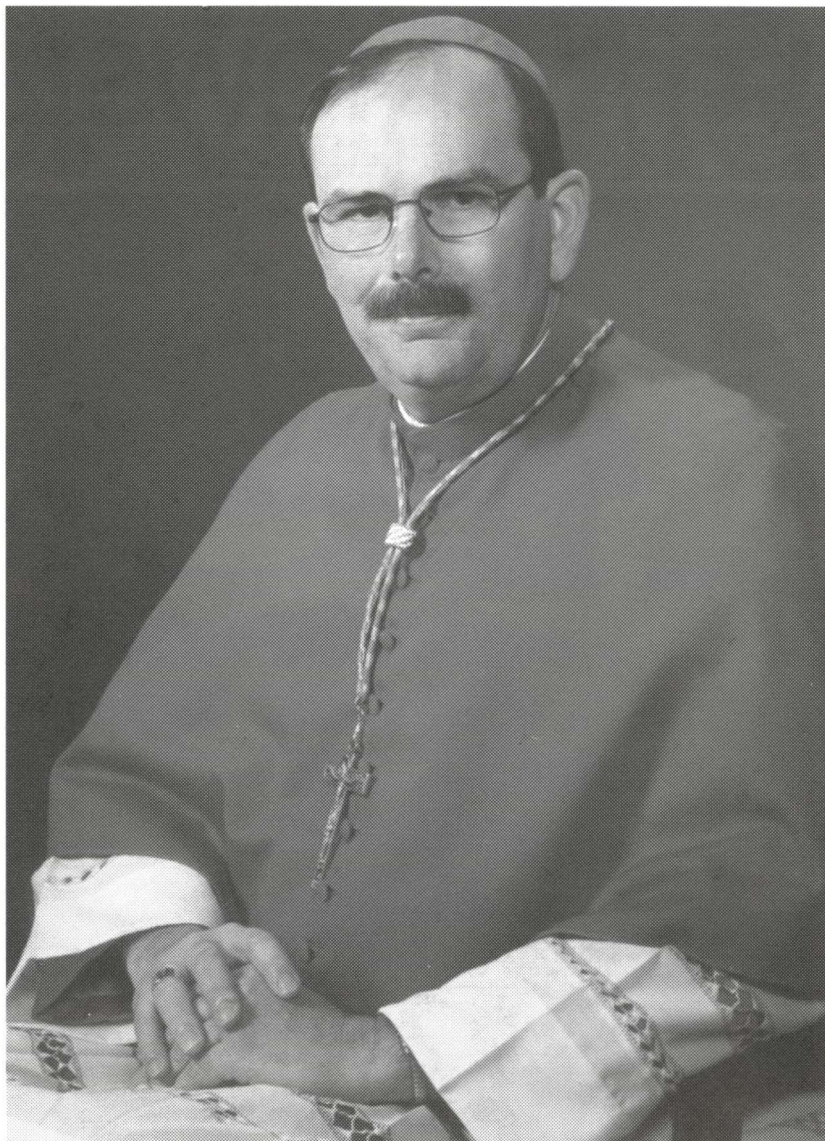
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# STM Newsletter



WINTER 2001/2002

Lord, be moved  
by our prayers.  
Anoint your servant  
with the fullness  
of priestly grace,  
and bless him  
with spiritual power  
in all its richness.



*With gratitude and joy  
the STM community  
welcomes*

**Rev. Albert LeGatt**

BISHOP OF SASKATOON

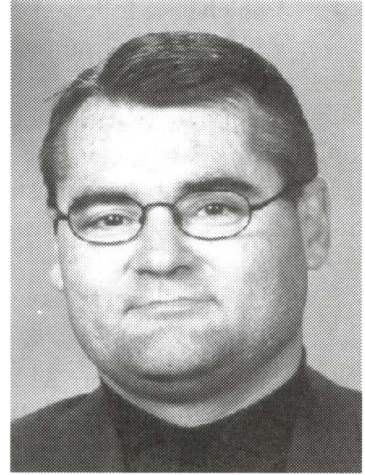
Albert LeGatt was born in 1953 in Melfort, SK and grew up on the family farm near Pathlow. He attended school at St. Brieux and Notre Dame College, then went on to St. Boniface College at the University of Manitoba, where he earned a B.A. in 1974, majoring in philosophy and French. As a CUSO volunteer from 1974-77, he taught French at a secondary school in Ghana, West Africa. He entered Le Grand Seminaire de Quebec in 1977, and studied theology at Laval. He was ordained to the priesthood in St. Brieux on June 19, 1983. As a parish priest in Prince Albert, LeGatt also served as Diocesan Consultor, Director of Vocations, and Co-ordinator of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission. He was ordained the sixth Bishop of Saskatoon at St. Patrick's parish on October 5, 2001.

*That they may be one, as we are one.*

*John 17.22*

## The Mission of a Federated Catholic College in a Terrorized World

Rev. George T. Smith, CSB



At noon on September 14, the Feast of the Triumph of the Cross, a steady stream of men and women of every faith and ethnic background passed through the doors of the St. Thomas More College chapel. This was the University of Saskatchewan at prayer. With U of S president Peter MacKinnon seated in their midst, faculty, staff, and students gathered to seek solace, and peace, in a world shattered by the events of September 11.

The liturgy for which they gathered, planned by the university chaplaincy, included readings and prayers from the Hebrew Scriptures, the New Testament, and the Koran. At its conclusion, members of the congregation approached the altar to light candles for those who had died as the result of violence.

Those who came to our college that day shared the experience of so many throughout the world: faced with the heart-wrenching suffering of innocent men and women going about the ordinary business of their lives, faced with the reality of unadulterated evil, there was little else to do but turn to God in prayer. For some who came that day, perhaps even for many, it was the first time they had witnessed to their faith on the campus of the university where they spend so much of their lives. In large part, the University of Saskatchewan is a place of learning where faith in God tends to be a private affair, a part of one's life best left to Fridays, Saturdays, or Sundays — to mosques, synagogues, or churches.

In many ways, the contribution that St. Thomas More College makes to the University of Saskatchewan as its federated Catholic college is brought into focus by the events of September 11. Our new mission statement, approved by our Corporation at its

October 20 meeting, states that we are “devoted to a partnership of learning and growth with our students which addresses the synthesis of faith and reason in all aspects of the human condition.” Let me suggest just three ways in which we seek to bring about this synthesis in a world that has been torn by violence and terror.

First, our college maintains a certain sacramental presence on the campus of the university. I don't refer directly to the seven sacraments here, although it should be said that the eucharist is the source and centre of all that we do as a Catholic community. Rather, I refer to our vocation to be an abiding sign of God's grace, and a constant invitation to members of the university community to open themselves to the transcendent within the context of their respective disciplines. In order to be a sacramental presence on our campus, we have to make a difference in sensible, tangible ways. And although we are not the only place of prayer on campus, we are, perhaps, the most prominent place of prayer on campus. With this prominence comes a special responsibility: our college must always strive to be a sacred place, a place of welcome, a place that promotes a culture of hospitality. Hosting a liturgy for the university community in the days that followed September 11 was a powerful sacramental sign of who we are, and how we have been called to serve all members of the U of S community.

Second, our college, by virtue of our mission statement, has the further responsibility to foster relationships, or “partnerships,” with our students that allow them the freedom to struggle with the important questions that flow out of the violent acts that were a part

of, and which have followed, September 11. In many ways this involves a ministry of presence: being present to our students in ways that enable them to see the value of ultimate meaning and the importance of exercising intellectual rigour in the pursuit of that ultimate meaning. This ministry to our students takes place in a variety of contexts both in and out of the classroom.

Our campus ministry team has a special responsibility to foster the kind of environment that challenges students to grapple with new ways of viewing the world. In the weeks that followed September 11, our campus ministry team organized two “Pathways to the Spirit” presentations and open discussions from vastly different perspectives: one week with military historian Dr. Jack Coggins, a Teaching Excellence Award winner, and the next week with Afghan refugee Mr. Dastageer Sakhizai. Our students are asking questions with a sense of urgency that has not often been heard in recent memory. Our task as educators is threefold: we must provide our students with the intellectual and spiritual resources to ask the right questions; then we must encourage them to be focussed and single-minded in pursuing the answers to those questions; and finally, we must encourage them to use the knowledge that they acquire for the good of humanity. Another way of describing this threefold task is to be found in the Basilian motto: “Teach me Goodness, Discipline, and Knowledge.”

Third, in the new world in which we live, it is more important than ever for our college to bring the disciplines of the humanities and social sciences to bear upon the search for peace. We must be relentless in asking questions according to the perspectives of our disciplines: How do existing political systems perpetuate conflict? How can the study of society and social systems lead us

to a greater understanding of the differences between societies that lead to racism and hatred? How can language be used as an instrument that creates and sustains peace, and how do the words that I use, regardless of the language that I speak, contribute to peace, unity, and the end of racism? What events in history can we point to that acted as catalysts for the attacks, for the farther we reach back in history, the closer do we approach the truth of the present? How can literature be a source of healing for those who have experienced evil and suffering; in what literary characters do we discover the truth about ourselves, and about our own need for God’s mercy and compassion. How can the different branches of knowledge be integrated to give birth to a truly humanizing world?

This is the question our philosophers must ask. How can men and women of faith, who all profess to believe in God, find in the same God the source of peace and the source of violence? How can economic systems be developed that promote justice and respect the dignity of all human persons? What leads to the psychology of violence and hatred, and how can we help our children to understand a world scarred by violence and hatred — a frightening world — a world where there are such few safe places? These are the

disciplines of our college, which we must now employ for the sake of peace.

In asking these questions, we give life and meaning to our new mission statement, which calls us to “courageously explore the riches of revelation and of nature so that the united endeavour of intelligence and faith will enable people to come to the full measure of their humanity” (*Ex corde ecclesiae*, 5). It was appropriate that the university gather in prayer at STM on September 14, the Feast of the Triumph of the Cross. For that is where our exploration will lead us.

## St. Thomas More College Mission Statement

approved by Corporation, 20 October 2001

As the Catholic liberal arts college federated with the University of Saskatchewan, St. Thomas More College courageously explores the “riches of revelation and of nature so that the united endeavour of intelligence and faith will enable people to come to the full measure of their humanity” (*Ex corde ecclesiae*, 5).

Through teaching we are devoted to a partnership of learning and growth with our students which addresses the synthesis of faith and reason in all aspects of the human condition.

The creative discovery of truth and its open dissemination nourish our life as teachers and members of the wider academic and Catholic intellectual community.

As a Catholic college we are called to share in Christ’s service to the people of God. Thus, the work of our college is not an end in itself, but must find application for the good of humanity.

## Academic Scholarship at STM



Wilfrid Denis

Last year at this time I commented on the University of Saskatchewan's ranking in *Maclean's* "Tenth Annual Ranking of Universities." I am pleased to report that in this year's edition, the University of Saskatchewan's overall ranking has improved from being last in its category to eleventh position. There are fifteen universities in this category of medical-doctoral institutions. We rejoice at the good news and congratulate the university on its success in improving its ranking. It isn't that the goal of raising one's rank has much intrinsic value for, as indicated last year, *Maclean's* ranking process is fundamentally flawed and biased. However, if doing "the right thing" is of merit, then it should be done. If at the same time it raises the ranking, then this is a desirable secondary effect. As President McKinnon pointed out, the University's new ranking is due to efforts that were to be expended anyway to ensure quality academic programs and increased research activity. The intrinsic value of these efforts made them desirable regardless of the possible effect on its ranking.

The problem with the *Maclean's* ranking is that, in the absence of alternate scientific comparisons, many individuals regard them as valid and reliable. These individuals include parents, high school guidance counselors, and potential students. The *Maclean's* rankings have taken on a life of their own regardless of their merit and limitations. We may be very unhappy with the magazine's unscientific approach, but its ranking has become one of the sources of information that has to be considered in recruiting new applicants and in retaining current students.

The *Maclean's* ranking is only a shadow of a far deeper problem. What *Maclean's* tries to do is to magnify differences between Canadian universities so that the differences appear to be significant. Until now, comparable degrees could be regarded as essentially of comparable quality across all Canadian institutions. However, as public funding, both federal and provincial, keeps declining in the operating budgets, universities have had to compensate by raising tuition fees and actively courting private funding. Governments have accentuated this trend by providing additional funding which is tied to specific development areas. The Canadian Research chairs is just one such example of direct government influence within the Canadian university system. The compound effect of these trends is to increase disparities between institutions which are more successful at attracting the right blend of private and public targeted funding and those which are less so.

These trends may be further compounded by international agreements such as the General Agreement on Trade in Services which may open post-secondary education to international competition. We can therefore expect that, in the coming decade, some universities will find their domain of activity to be increasingly reduced to undergraduate teaching as significant research funding will elude them. Others will become super universities which will try to define themselves as "the Harvards of the North." The University of Saskatchewan will most likely be among a middle tier of universities which will combine teaching at the undergraduate and graduate levels with sig-

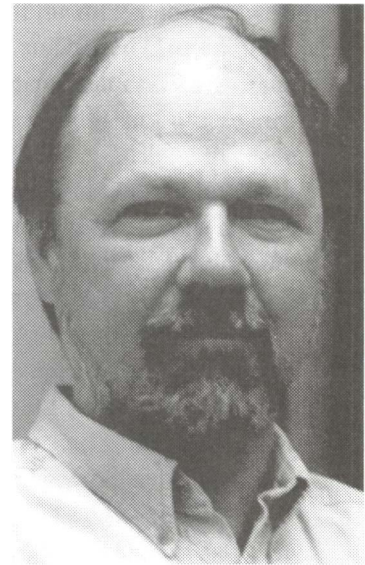
nificant research opportunities in limited areas.

As the context of post-secondary education changes both in Canada and world wide, STM will have to reassess its academic priorities. Discussions are already occurring on the definition of “scholarship” and its implications for faculty in the three areas of academic activity: teaching, research and community/professional service. It is fundamental that such discussions take place and that our recently adopted Mission Statement be considered in the light of this changing environment. When alumni/ae get together such as on Alumni Weekend in June, or at Corporation in October, and reminisce about the “good old days” and their wonderful experiences at STM, it is obvious that the college has changed over the last decades. Gradually faculty are replaced, courses dropped, and new areas are opened. When today’s students meet as alumni/ae in ten and twenty years, they will also remember a college very different from what they will find in 2011 or 2021. Let us hope that our adaptation to change and our consideration of new ways of providing an enriched learning experience to students will be faithful to the vision of the founders of the college and to our roots, and yet powerful enough to meet the challenges of tomorrow head on.

FROM THE EDITOR

## Answered Prayers

Donald Ward



I was vexed to have missed Fr. Mario D’Souza’s talk on “*Ex corde ecclesiae*, Culture, and the Catholic University” at STM at the end of August. But Mario came to visit me in the hospital, so I did not miss him entirely.

“Donald,” he demanded as he walked in, “what on earth have you done to yourself?”

“It’s a vertical fracture of the tibial plateau,” I informed him.

He raised one eloquent eyebrow. “And now in English?”

“I broke my leg.”

“Oh dear,” he said. “How did you do it, running?”

“No, falling.”

The doctor had asked the same question, so I assumed it was a not uncommon injury among runners. I suspect it is at least as common among fallers.

“From a ladder,” I expatiated, “climbing to the sleeping loft in my summer cabin.”

But to call it a summercabin is misleading. It is eight feet by twelve, has neither heat nor water, and if one climbs to bed with a lamp in one hand and a book in the other, one is apt to fall. I thought it a minor mishap at the time. There was a slight abrasion on my leg and another on my upper arm. I reconnected the lamp, which was attached to three extension cords that ran to another cabin fifty metres away, and went to bed.

I awoke in the middle of the night, my left knee swollen like a melon

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and throbbing like a lambeg drum. It took me a full five minutes to climb down the ladder to take a couple of aspirin, and another five to get back up to bed, where I lay in a restless state for the remainder of the night, moving every five seconds in search of an elusive comfort zone.

The following morning it took me forty minutes to get my socks on. At that point I decided to call my brother, who was next door with his family. He and his burly son assisted me to breakfast, then to my vehicle. I drove home without incident.

Now, I have a pre-arthritis condition that sometimes affects my knees this way. The last time it happened, I awoke with the same symptoms, but in the other leg. I went to a specialist who told me that I had a pre-arthritis condition that would sometimes affect my knees this way. I used a cane for a couple of days, and eventually it healed itself.

Assuming that I was experiencing a recurrence of the same condition, I did not connect the pain with the fall from the ladder for several days. When I finally sought medical advice, it was only to see if I could get some painkillers until the swelling went down.

“You broke it,” said the doctor.

“What?”

He pointed to a vertical line on the x-ray.

“But I’ve been walking on it for five days,” I protested.

“Perhaps you have a different definition of pain than other people.”

Within eight hours I was supine on an operating table, complaining of a bitterness in the back of my throat.

“That’s the drug taking effect,” said the anaesthetist, and the next thing I knew a pair of nurses were discussing how much morphine to give me.

“He’s awake,” said one, which I thought a bit of an overstatement.

Anaesthesia is nothing like sleep, in that there is no sense of time having passed. One remembers losing consciousness, but then one is instantaneously conscious again with no idea what, if anything, has happened.

Except that it is a peculiar kind of consciousness. Invariably one is drugged, in shock, and in pain. One is aware of these things without particularly caring about them. It’s the fragmentation of time that dis-

turbs the soul. My father spent two days after open-heart surgery, fretting and gesticulating, unable to speak because of his respirator, until someone thought to tell him that the surgery had been performed and he now had a pig’s valve in his heart to replace the burnt-out mechanism that Nature, no doubt in a moment of distraction, had originally supplied. Reassured, he was able to relax, and his recovery proceeded apace.

“You’ve had your operation, Mr. Ward,” said the other nurse.

*Who is Mr. Ward?* I wondered.

“Dr Shannon put two bolts in, and he took some bone from your hip to graft onto the tibia. So you have an incision in your side as well as your knee.”

The bolts and the graft had been mere possibilities before I went under; the break had evidently turned out to be more serious than the x-rays suggested. No doubt walking on it for five days had done it little good. But I took the news well. One does when one is pumped with morphine.

“I’m cold,” I said.

I was shivering like a leaf. They piled hot blankets on me. Consequently, I was sweating freely as they wheeled me back onto the ward. But I was conscious more of gratitude than discomfort: gratitude that my wife was there to greet me, that the nurses were so kind, the surgeon so skilled, and that I lived in a province and a nation that would charge me not one cent for a medical procedure that would have beggared me had I been forced to pay for it out of my own pocket.

I thanked my wife. I thanked the nurses. I thanked the doctor when I saw him the next morning, although I allowed as there seemed to be a good deal of pain connected with this kind of surgery.

“Of course there is,” he said in his musical Irish accent. “We’re dealing with *bones* here, and hammers, and chisels, and. . .”

I was by then on intramuscular injections of Demerol, which did not ease the pain so much as make me not care about it. There were six incisions on my knee and a seventh on my left side. They were held together with staples, not sutures, as if I had closed the wounds myself with a Bostitch staple gun. My leg was a great swollen thing, like a sausage that had inexplicably but miraculously sprouted toes at one end.

But still I was grateful, especially to the nurses. It was Florence Nightingale who first gave nursing a good name, so to speak, when she and her company of thirty-eight heroic young women embarked for the Crimea in 1854. In her lifetime and because of her example, nursing was rapidly transformed from a low-paying job for drudges, drunks, and prostitutes to a low-paying job for skilled, dedicated women who gave their lives to it. Miss Nightingale, like Joan of Arc, had heard the voice of God calling her to service.

More recently, nursing has been viewed as a profession like any other. Men and women alike do it for the money and the benefits. The sense of vocation has been lost, they say. It's just a job.

This view is in direct contradiction to my personal experience. If nursing no longer demands a vocation, it still demands dedication, compassion, skill, knowledge, and wisdom, and the young people who accept the challenge are likely offering more of themselves than they at first imagine. But later they accept it as routine, although the twelve-hour shifts can be exhausting and there is never enough time to regain the energy they have lost. It is only the life of Christ in them, I am convinced, that allows them to carry on, although most of them are unaware of it.

Fr. D'Souza, who arrived on the cusp of my transition to a less potent painkiller, nonetheless received the full brunt of my gratitude as well. Unlike certain family members, Mario did not immediately question the state of my sobriety at the time of the incident, but sympathized vocally and prayerfully, and we had a nice chat.

Two days later, a Sunday, Fr. George Smith came by, prepared to give me the eucharist if I had not already received it. I had, as it happened — a tertiary Franciscan festooned with crosses had dropped in earlier — but we had a nice chat anyway, and later that day my wife remarked that she could tell I was getting better because I wasn't nearly as grateful as I had been.

On the contrary, I was reflecting on how fortunate I was to know a number of people who were able to exercise the functions of priesthood as well as friendship. Not many are so blessed. The Basilian education Tom Molloy describes (see page 30) and the grateful memories of the Basilian Fathers shared by the vast majority of our alumni/ae (see pages 13-25) are no part of any future I can imagine. Indeed, if present trends continue, it is possible that our chil-

ren's children might live out their entire lives without ever meeting a Basilian priest — or a priest of any sort, for that matter.

We are in little danger of running out of nurses, perhaps. But we are in grave danger of running out of priests. At last count, the Congregation of St. Basil had six men in the novitiate. A Benedictine community I know of has two. The diocese in which I live has not in my memory had enough seminarians to replace the priests who will in due course retire or pass on.

The priesthood is largely unrepresented at career fairs and recruitment drives. It is visible in the average Catholic high school, but is often represented by men hopelessly older than their putative flock. Religious communities, by and large, do no active recruitment; most of them are too busy simply supporting their aging membership. Diocesan vocations directors might be able to make some headway were they not each a full-time pastor in at least one parish, with multiple other responsibilities in addition.

God calls each of us to our vocation, whether we listen or not. But I wonder how many of the young people who cared for me in the hospital would have become nurses if no one had suggested the possibility to them in the first place. Similarly, would either of the two priests who visited me there have sought ordination if no one had encouraged them?

How many young men enter the seminary without the support — emotional, spiritual, and even financial — of people who believe in what they are doing?

Fairly few, evidently.

The notion that a vocation is a call from God that cannot be resisted must be questioned in a time when there are so many people apparently resisting it.

And here is an uncomfortable thought: perhaps a vocation is a call from God not only to an individual but to a community. Perhaps we who sit in the pews are at least partially responsible for the crisis in vocations.

"Have you ever thought of yourself as someone's answered prayer?" I once heard a Basilian ask from the pulpit. I never had, and I doubt that many other people in the congregation had, either. But I have since imagined a young man in torment, unable to separate grace from ambition, fear from excitement, one urge from another. Then an older person walks up to him and asks, "Have you ever thought of being a priest?"

Perhaps, sometimes, that's all it takes.





## Solidarity Sunday

*Right: Newman member Dave Plaskett offers a symbol of solidarity with the poor of the earth during Solidarity Sunday celebrations in the STM chapel. The Newman Centre raised almost \$500 for the 2001 Development and Peace Share Lent campaign.*



*Edda Isernhagen of Brazil joins Newman Centre friends after mass on Solidarity Sunday. Active with Sem Terra, a movement of the landless poor, Edda spoke passionately during both STM masses about the need for social change and global justice. She was in Saskatchewan as the Development and Peace solidarity visitor. Left to right: Lisa Cavanagh, Richard Medernach, Vince Gabruch, Rebecca Bloos, Michael MacLean (campus ministry team), and Edda Isernhagen.*

## Sharing a History, Securing a Legacy

The Prairie Centre for the Study of Ukrainian Heritage (PCUH) at St. Thomas More College has embarked on a five-year fundraising campaign to endow various academic programs and community based initiatives. With a target of \$1.25 million, the campaign has already attracted financial commitments of over \$1.1 million. PCUH Director Dr. Bohdan Kordan notes the importance of having funds in place to ensure that the centre is able to fulfill its mission: "Programs cost money. If we are to ensure that Ukrainian studies at the University of Saskatchewan and in the province are maintained, we will need the generous financial support of the whole community." Some of the programs the PCUH is currently engaged in include the Heritage Press, the Mohyla Lecture Series, an oral history project, a writer in residence program, as well as support for various conferences and exhibitions. Most recently, a stunning exhibition of antiquarian maps of the Black Sea coast and the Ukrainian Steppes was launched at the Kenderdine Gallery on the University of Saskatchewan campus. "Black Sea, Golden Steppes," curated by Bohdan Kordan, ran from October 26 to December 7, 2001, and attracted wide interest from both the university and the public.

Visit the website at [www.usask.ca/stm/pcuh](http://www.usask.ca/stm/pcuh)

**Prairie Centre for the Study of Ukrainian Heritage**

Writing some twenty years ago, Dr. W. R. Petryshyn noted that, “While not potentially a nation, neither are Ukrainian Canadians merely a statistical category.” The historical, literary, artistic, religious, and social literature, he observed, emphasize the reality that Ukrainian Canadians are a highly organized community, a community whose groups “have consciously expressed the sentiments and aspirations of Ukrainians throughout Canada in a historically cohesive and systematic manner.”

The Prairie Centre for the Study of Ukrainian Heritage has embraced a program which reflects the myriad cultural, social, and historical aspects of the Ukrainian-Canadian experience. It seeks to preserve and record that history while promoting Ukrainian culture as a living heritage that has continuing relevance in the Canadian context.

The Prairie Centre expresses its deep appreciation to the following supporters:

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# “The Glow on the Horizon”

BOHDAN KORDAN RECOGNIZED WITH THE MARGARET DUTLI AWARD

Since 1999, the Faculty Council of STM have been sponsoring a yearly award for a deserving faculty member, recognizing his or her professional and community service. This year, the committee decided to name the award in honour of Margaret Dutli, long-time teacher, mentor, social activist, and Distinguished Alumna for 1999 (see the Spring/Summer 2000 issue of the *Newsletter*, page 25). The certificate given to the recipient reads, in part:

This award has been established to recognize the numerous contributions of Margaret Dutli to professional and community service, and to acknowledge her role as mentor and model to faculty, in her many years of association with St. Thomas More College. Recipients of this award are recognized by their peers for their significant contributions to community professional service.

The recipient of this year's award is Dr. Bohdan Kordan, professor of Political Studies. Bohdan was born and raised in Toronto, where he did his BA at the U of T. He went on to do a Masters at Carleton. Awarded a William Mackenzie King Travelling Fellowship from the government of Canada, he chose to go to Arizona State University, where he earned a PhD in International Relations. He is married to Bohdanna, also from Toronto, who works with the Saskatchewan Ministry of Economic Development in the biotechnology sector. Their son Christian is now five.

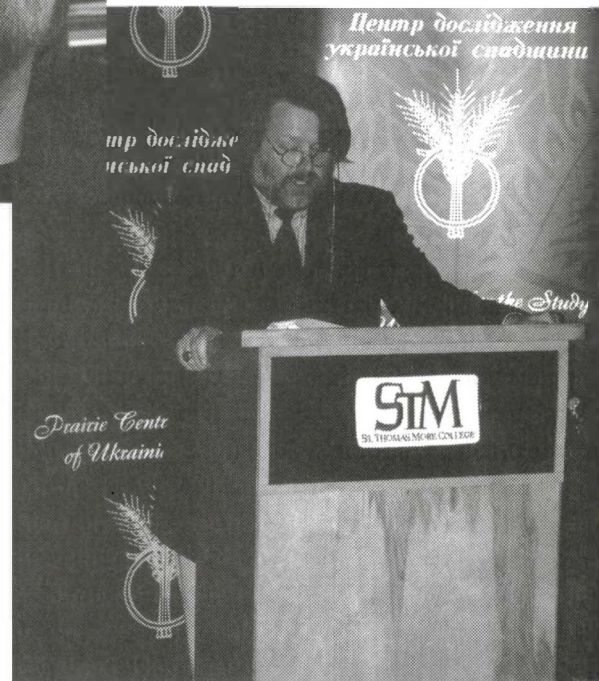
Bohdan's contributions to Canadian society in general and the Ukrainian culture in particular have been numerous and noteworthy. As a teacher and researcher he has reached beyond the confines of his discipline

to serve the larger community, both locally and nationally. He has published articles, spoken to organizations, consulted with government bodies, and commented in the media on cultural matters more often than can be listed here. But the highlight of his work at STM has undoubtedly been the creation and ongoing directorship of the Prairie Centre for the Study of Ukrainian Heritage.

In these activities and many others, Bohdan has offered his research and writing skills, his leadership, and his knowledge not only to set objectives, but to attain them for the good of STM and the community around STM. His work has been instrumental in strengthening the college's relationship and service to the Ukrainian Canadian community. Many of the benefits of his work are yet to come.

As Wilfrid Denis said in introducing the recipient of the 2001 Margaret Dutli Award, “May the glow on the horizon keep nourishing your commitment to justice and human dignity.”

Congratulations, Bohdan. And thank you.



# FOCUS [ON] ALUMNI/AE

Featuring Graduates from 1941—61

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**Joseph C. Frantz** retired to Salt Spring Island in BC after a life of work, travel, and service to his country. Raised in Saskatoon, he enlisted with the RCAF on graduating from STM in 1941. When the war ended he attended the University of Toronto, where he earned a Masters degree in geology. He has lived variously in Toronto, Kirkland Lake, and North Bay in Ontario, Antofagasta in Chile, North Vancouver, and finally moved to Salt Spring Island in 1981. He has worked in mineral exploration and evaluation in six of ten Canadian provinces as well as Chile, Mexico, the Caribbean Islands, Australia, and the western United States.

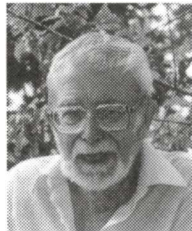
Joe and his late wife, Madeline, raised four children — Lawrence, Paul, Bob, and Susan — who have since produced six grandchildren: Carey, Joe, Matthew, Andrew, Stephen, and Michael.

“My three years at the university prepared me for living the rest of my life with confidence and a certain degree of serenity,” writes **Christine Louise Hudek** (née **Chamard**). Christine grew up mostly in Saskatoon, except for four years in Montreal, and currently lives in Winnipeg with her

husband, Edward Philip Hudek.

“There was a relaxed atmosphere at the white house,” she recalls, “as we assembled for mass and visiting afterwards over coffee and refreshments. Everyone was treated equally. I enjoyed meeting other students from all parts of the province, especially those from rural Saskatchewan. I met my future husband at Newman Club, and we were married in February 1942.”

Christine and Ed lived on the



*Joseph C. Frantz*



*Christine Hudek*

farm after their marriage — “a learning experience for a city girl,” she avers — but after three years they began moving into the city for the winter while Ed taught in the Department of Agricultural Engineering. In the spring of 1956, he was offered the position of head of Agricultural Engineering in the Manitoba Department of Agriculture. The Hudeks brought seven children to Manitoba, and an eighth was born in Winnipeg, for a total of three girls and five boys. Meanwhile, Ed became Director of Technical Services, then Assistant Deputy Minister, Associate Deputy Minister, and finally Deputy Minister of Manitoba Agriculture.

“His work included many days and weeks away,” Christine writes, “which left me with a great deal of responsibility for the family and the children’s education. My years at St. Thomas More College served me well during these responsible years.”

The seventh child, a boy with Down Syndrome, unfortunately died of a congenital heart condition at the age of twenty-five. The other children all live in Winnipeg, are all married with families (19 grandchildren) — a “rollicking group” Christine calls them, who get together four or five times a year.

Ed retired in 1981 but continued as chairperson of several boards and committees. In 1984 he was asked to take on the management

of a 10,000-acre research and development project for CIDA in Sudan, Africa, for three years. This time Christine went with him — “a wonderful, unregrettable, and unforgettably lovely experience.”

Christine and Ed lived on site, through rainy season and drought. The rainy season was June to September, and they would routinely receive 22 to 36 inches of rain. Temperatures ranged from 17° to 47° C. They lived in Canadian pre-fab housing with air conditioning, generating their own electricity and hauling water thirty miles.

“We were 550 kms from Khartoum,” she writes, “across the desert. We went into Khartoum once a month for mail, banking, and to search the stores for any food that might be available. In the rainy season this usually took about twenty hours. We used four-wheel-drive land cruisers, and in the rainy season we used a Versatile 300 horsepower four-wheel-drive tractor to tow the land cruiser to a paved road. I rode in the cab of the tractor while we towed the vehicle across the streams. The vehicles floated and were only stopped from being carried downstream by the tractor.”

A fine retirement project!

“After forty-three years in the six-bedroom family home,” she concludes, “we have moved to a condominium and are still trying to get settled. Thanks to STM and Newman Club for showing me the right direction.”

The children of Christine and Ed Hudek: Mary Margaret (57) married Kenneth Forster in 1967, took time off to raise a family, and presently works at the U of M. John Edward Francis (55) married Irene

Teresa Smith in 1973, and is employed in the Research and Development Branch of E. H. Price, a manufacturing firm in Winnipeg. Joan Elizabeth (53) married Fraser McConnell in 1967, was divorced in 1974, married Dwight Embelton in 1976, and manages a job re-entry program for new immigrants, single parents, and adults who have been out of the work force. Henry Joseph Peter (50) married Cathy Brekelmans in 1974, and is owner/manager of Financial Services Co. Gordon Aloysius (48) married Ceo Fletcher in 1978, and works at KT Industries as Controller. Christine Marie (46) married Steve Vieweg in 1979, and has chosen to stay home raising her children. William Michael passed away in 1981 at the age of 25; Bill enjoyed his schooling and work experiences. Philip Thomas (43) married Kim in 1982, and is self employed in the home renovation/restoration business.

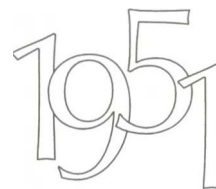
The Hudek grandchildren, in chronological order, are: Michael Scott McConnell (34), Rowland Edward Victor Forster (32), Andrew Kenneth Forster (28), Michael Edward Hudek (24), David McLean Embleton (24), Jeanne Marie Christine Hudek (21), Margaret Laura Hudek (21), Katherine Louise Hudek (20),

Monica Christine Vieweg (20), Lisa Marie Vieweg (19), Kathleen Marie Hudek (17), Timothy Fletcher Hudek (17), Sara Marie Hudek (16), Matthew William Hudek (16), Richard Frank Vieweg (15), Thomas William Hudek (15), Laura Fletcher Hudek (15), Carolina Kristina Hudek (13), and Natasha Fletcher Hudek (10).

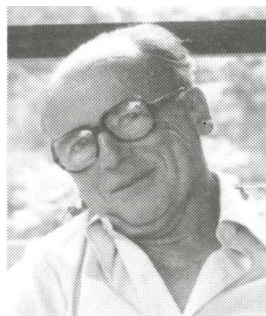
“I have fond memories of Fr. Basil Markle,” **Dave McGurran** writes. “He was a prince!”

Dave grew up in Regina and now resides in Barrie, ON. After service in the Second World War he joined the Federal Department of Finance, and his entire subsequent career was spent in tax work, much of it in the private sector. His employers included the Canadian Tax Foundation, Massey Ferguson, and the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce.

Dave and his wife, Kay, have one daughter, Kelly (43), who lives in China.



**Frank W. P. Bockman** has been a teacher of horticulture and botany, an Inspector of Lands and Forests for the Government of Alberta, an Assessor for the Department of Municipal Affairs in Alberta, and a research chemist for Merck & Co. in San Diego, CA, where he now lives with his wife, Alice Marie. It's along way from Ranchville, AB (thirty-six miles south of Medicine Hat) where he grew up. Since 1987, when he supposedly retired,



*Dave McGurran*

he has been taking care of three houses and an orchard. He travels in his spare time. "Wonderful comradeship" is what he remembers most from his days at STM. "Lunches at noon, the bowling team, Sunday evening gatherings, football games." Frank and Alice Marie have six children. Mary Anne (44) has a BSc in nursing and works at a clinic in Seattle, WA. She has three children, aged 8, 6, and 3. John (43) has a BSc in mechanical engineering and works for Hewlett-Packard in San Jose, CA. He, too, has three children, aged 13, 11, and 9. Kevin (42), Francis (41), and Monica (39), each educated in the sciences, also work for Hewlett-Packard, only in San Diego. Kevin and Francis each have three children as well, aged, respectively, 9, 7, and 4, and 16, 13, and 6. Monica is single, as is Paul (36) who, though also educated in the sciences, has managed to break free of the hold Hewlett-Packard seems to exercise over the family, and is a substance abuse counselor in San Diego.

**Charles E. Connors** hails from Palmer, SK and now lives in Edmonton with his wife, Ramona (née Barber), an Arts graduate from the U of S. Charles taught school in Alberta from 1949-67, then became Executive Assistant to the Alberta Teachers Association. Technically, he retired in 1984, but like many superannuated teachers he continued working part-time until 1995.

Charles and Ramona have six children: Jennifer, a library assistant; Patrick, an engineer; Susan, a health worker; Catherine, who has worked for many years with the Bank of Montreal; Nancy, who runs

a business enterprise in the auto industry, and Barbara, a legal assistant. The Connors' grandchildren include eight girls and seven boys, ranging in age from five to nineteen. Charles has never forgotten the Basilians, especially a summer school French course he took from Fr. Leonard Rush — a "remarkable person" — and Sunday evening talks by Fr. Carr and Bishop Pocock. Like most of his fellow alumni/ae, he treasures the memory of Sunday morning breakfasts and Sunday evening events at STM.

**Bernice E. Donnelly** (née Rogers) was born, grew up, and still lives in Regina. Her husband, Les, was formerly a Regina representative on the STM Corporation. Bernice's distinguished career in social work included helping to develop the

first post-adoption services program in North America. She remains active in the CWL at the parish, diocesan, and provincial levels. Perhaps someone remembers Bernice as "Kitchen Queen." She certainly remembers the "wonderful Sunday breakfasts and Sunday night socials." STM, for her, was "just a comfortable place to be in."

The children of Les and Bernice Donnelly:

Richard (45) is married to Lauren Neville, and teaches at LeBoldus High School in Regina; they have three children: Brenna (12), Erin (10), and Ryan (6).

John (44) is a special events co-ordinator in Vancouver; married to Joy Dorras, they too have three children: Jordan (13), Terence (11), and Naomi (7).

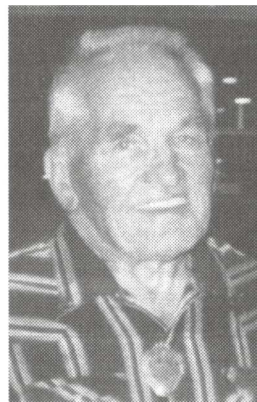
Marian (43) is Executive Director of the Saskatchewan Recording Industry Association; she has one son, Matt (14), and lives in Regina.

Tom (41) is Production Manager for Off-the Wall Productions in Regina; he and his partner, Sylvie Gaudraul, have a son Patrick (8), and another due in January.

Peter (40) is Sales Manager at CanCarb, a subsidiary of Trans Canada Pipelines, for the Far East; he is married to Eri Hasagawa, and they have a son, Jimmy (10), and a daughter Maya (born Jan. 2001); they live in Medicine Hat, AB.

Kevin (39) is President & CEO of Winnipeg Enterprises Inc; married to Sharon Kelly, they have four children: Katie (10), Rachel (9), Thomas (6), and Christopher (5).

Terry (38) is a partner in Mandrake Employment Services in Toronto; married to Helene Metaxis, they have three children: Nathan and Jackson (7), and Bridget (5).



*Frank Bockman*



*Bernice Donnelly*

Karen (35) is principal trumpet with the National Arts Centre Orchestra in Ottawa.

Kelly (35) is married to Dr. Darren Scrapper, and works as a psychiatric nurse at Regina General Hospital; they have two sons: Daniel (5) and Michael (3);

Neil (32) is Marketing Director for the Regina Exhibition Association; married to Liza Dobrowolski, they have one son, Joshua (1), and baby #2 due in March.

**J. Bernard Feehan**, known to his friends as “Bono,” lives in Edmonton with his wife **Kay Feehan** (née **Hammond**). They grew up in Saskatoon, met at STM, and graduated in the same year.

Bono is a lawyer and judge, having served on the District Court of Alberta (1973-79) and Queen’s Bench Court (1979-present). He is also a lieutenant-commander in the Naval Reserve, and has served as chair of the Catholic School Board of Edmonton. He is a recipient of the St. Thomas More Lawyers Guild Award.

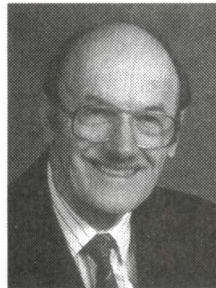
Kay has spent her professional life as a social worker, and was recently recognized for her service to the community (see story, page 33).

Married for forty-seven years, Kay and Bernard have seven children. Kevin (45) is a lawyer and political activist; he has four children. Gregory (44), a clinical psychologist, is the manager of a rehabilitation facility; he has three children. Sheila (42), like her mother, is a social worker; she has two children. Kathy (41) is a teacher who specializes in rehabilitation; she has two

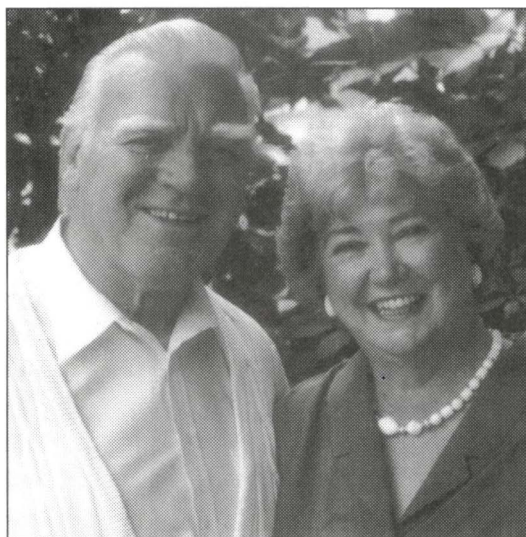
children. Richard (40), also a social worker, is Vice President of Catholic Social Services in Edmonton; he has three children. Margaret (38), is an educational psychologist who works in curriculum development; she has one child. Edward (36) is a lawyer like his father; he has two children.

The Feehan grandchildren number seventeen: Sean (22), Ryan (20), Carey (18), and Kaeli (16); Christopher (13), Laurie (12), and Trevor (7); Zachary (13) and Caitlin (11); Calvin (13) and Kelsey (10); Antoine (19), Kate (10), and Brenndan (5); Dylan (12); Michael (11) and Megan (7).

Bono’s special memories of STM include discussing philosophy with the priests and students, “meeting my wife at the College,” Sunday



*Wendelin Herle*



*Bernard and Kay Feehan*

night socials and Saturday bowling.

Kay remembers “the wonderful spirit of the College” and the close friendships she enjoyed with the priests and her fellow students. She also recalls the fun and challenge of serving on the STM executive and debating. As we have seen, it was the start of something blessed and wonderful.

**Wendelin Herle** is still a familiar face at STM, as he has been a member of Corporation since 1980 and continues to serve the college on a variety of committees.

He has been involved in the education profession and related activities for over fifty years. In six years at the University of Saskatchewan he earned a BA and a BEd, majoring in psychology, English, and history, and took graduate classes in guidance counseling and educational administration.

He has taught grades 1 to 12 in rural, village, town, and city schools, and has served as vice-principal, principal, supervisor, and Superintendent of Secondary Instruction as well as Director of Education for the Regina Separate School System.

He “superannuated” — a code word among Saskatchewan educators for starting a second career — in 1982, and of course went on to another career as Assistant Principal of the Provincial Correspondence School, from which position he finally retired in 1992. To stave off boredom during this period, he also served as president of the Saskatchewan Teachers’ Federation (1961-62), the Canadian Teachers’ Federation (1966-67),



and the League of Educational Administrators, Directors, and Superintendents of Education of Saskatchewan (1972-73). He also served as a member of the executive committee of the Canadian Education Association (1976-78), was a member of the Minister of Education's Provincial Advisory Committee on Instruction in Languages Other Than English (1965-66), and was a member on three occasions of the Canadian Teachers' Federation delegation to the annual international conference of the World Confederation of the Organizations of the Teaching Profession; he led the Canadian delegation in 1967.

When he was not otherwise occupied, he managed to write Book I and Book II of *Knowing and Understanding English*, marked psychology papers for the Extension Division of the University of Saskatchewan, and served on a variety of committees dealing with education at the provincial and national level, including School Law, Professional Development, Curriculum, and International Relations.

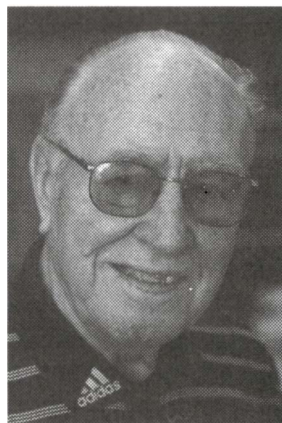
He has been a member of the Regina Public Library Board, the Committee to Review the Office of President of St. Thomas More College, and of the editorial board for the history of the Saskatchewan School Trustees Association, *70 Years of SSTA*. He has been Area Representative for the Canadian Association of Retired Persons, Chairman of the Spiritual Education Committee of St. Martin parish in Regina, and served on the executive of the Regina Canadian Club. He has been a trustee on the Regina Separate School Board, President of the Catholic Section of the Saskatchewan School Trustees Association,

and Director of the Canadian Catholic School Trustees' Association.

For such long-standing and heroic service to the community, the community has responded by awarding him the Queen's Silver Jubilee Scroll (1977), Honorary Life Membership in the Canadian Education Association (1982), the Meritorious Service Award, Catholic Section, Saskatchewan School Trustees Association (1982), the Distinguished Service Award, Canadian Association of School Administrators (1983), Honorary Life Membership in the Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation (1984), Honorary Life Membership in the Knights of Columbus (1998), and the Higgins Award of the Canadian Catholic School Trustees' Association (1998).

Wendelin was born on a farm south of Prellate, SK, and has made his home in Regina for many years. He and his wife Joyce (née Marshall), also a teacher, have four children, three of whom, not surprisingly, are educators.

Anita, who holds an Honours BA and an MA, is on the faculty of Cambridge University, England. She is married to Simon Schaffer, also a member of the Cambridge



*Martin Kaufmann*

faculty, and the couple have one daughter, Eva Herle Schaffer (5).

With a BA, a BEd, and an MEd, second daughter Louise teaches on the Sunshine Coast of British Columbia.

Mike, with a baccalaureate in music and an MEd, works in adult education with the Vancouver School Board.

Marsha, who has a BA, works in film and video production in Toronto.

Sundays at STM occupy a favoured niche in Wendelin's memory: mass followed by communion breakfasts, often with a guest speaker, social functions in the evening, ping-pong tournaments, and drama.

**Martin Kaufmann** earned his doctorate at the University of Wisconsin, then returned to Canada to spend his working career in Lacombe, AB, as a research scientist with Agriculture Canada. He developed several varieties of grains and did research on plant breeding methods before moving on to administrative positions.

His four children include Thomas (46) who is a trucker, Paul (44) who is a golf course superintendent, Ann (40) who is a professional singer in Germany, and Jean (38), a homemaker. The Kaufmann grandchildren include Tom's four — Kelby (17), Taylor (13), Kailin (3), and Kendra (1); Paul's three — Katie (17), Margaret (13), and Kelly (11); and Jean's three — Thomas (8), Robert (7), and Matthew (3).

Martin was Newman Club president, and remembers "socializing with students ten years my junior, Ulcers Incorporated," and "small and serious talk with Basilians."

**Bill Krynowsky** lists “grandfather” as one of his career moves — not bad for someone who started as a mere teacher.

In addition to teaching and grandfathering, Bill has been a consultant for the educational publishing firm of Holt, Rinehart, and Winston, and for the Saskatchewan Department of Education in Regina. He was also a researcher and planner for the department. He ended his professional career as Superintendent of Curriculum for the Saskatoon Board of Education.

Bill hails from Krydor, SK. He and his wife, Helen (née Britz), also an STM grad ('58), now live in Saskatoon. Their two children, Carla and Kevin, have so far produced six grandchildren for Bill to work on.

Carla (39) has an education degree and teaches kindergarten. She is married to Michael Thorson, who is vice-principal of St. Angela School in Saskatoon. The couple have three children: Lyndsey (6), Chelsey (4), and Joshua (6 months).

Kevin has a degree in engineering and is employed by Anderson Exploration in Calgary, where he is currently working on the McKenzie Delta gas drilling project. He and his wife, Amber (née Wickstrom), also have three children: Cayley (6), Sienna (4), and Hallee (2 months).

Bill’s memories of STM include Ulcers, communion breakfasts, Sunday night socials, and bridge. “I never did win against Fr. Kennedy in ping-pong,” he recalls. “More

importantly, I have very warm, vivid recollections of the Basilians. As a ‘scared country kid’ they awed me, frightened me, inspired me, challenged me, and cared about me!”

**Otto Lang**, of course, is the Honourable Otto Lang, PC, OC, QC, one of STM’s best-known alumni, not to mention one of the most influential ministers in the Trudeau

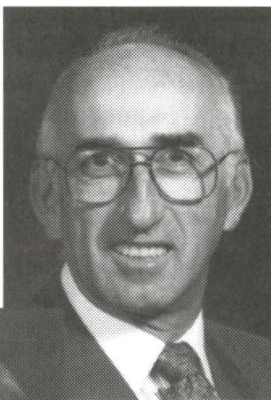
cabinet. He grew up in Humboldt, SK and now makes his home in St. Andrews, MB. He is married to the Honourable Deborah McCawley. The biography he wrote out for the *Newsletter* is terse, to say the least:

Faculty of Law, U of S, 1956-68.  
 Dean of Law, 1961-68.  
 Federal Cabinet & MP for Saskatoon-Humboldt, 1968-79.  
 Exec. VP, Pioneer Grain, 1979-88.  
 Chair, Transport Inst., U of M, 1988-93.  
 President & CEO, Centra Gas Manitoba, 1993-99.  
 Senior Counsel, GPC International, 2000-

His children include Maria (deceased), Timothy, Gregory, Andrew, Elisabeth, Amanda, and Adrian. He has two grandchildren, Kate and Jane Amirault (8 and 4, respectively), who live in Ottawa.

**Duncan H. Simmonds** grew up in Semans, SK, and now lives in Edmonton, where, after stints at Readlyn, Lipton, Kelvington, Earl Grey, and Broadhurst, SK, he taught in the Catholic School System for many years. Since 1985 he has been self-employed as an accountant and income tax consultant.

He and his wife, Emilia, have two children: Linda (born in 1950) has a BA from the U of S and a BEd from the U of A, while Brian (1954) has a diploma in cooking from the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology. The Simmonds grandchildren include



*Bill Krynowsky*



*Otto Lang*



*Shirley and Norris Sutton*

Roberta Lust (18), and Jeffrey (13), Jennifer (12), and Sheila (5) Simmonds.

**Shirley Anne Sutton** (née Gilbert) and her husband Norris make their home in Kalamazoo, MI, where Shirley once worked as a medical laboratory technician at the research facilities of the Upjohn Co. "Later," she writes, "I co-ordinated a blood pressure screening program Michigan funded in Kalamazoo County. Now, in retirement, I volunteer as a eucharistic minister at a local hospital and a seniors' residence complex. Norris and I also serve in our parish, and we are volunteer ushers at Miller Auditorium, Western Michigan University, enjoying the symphony, Broadway shows, the Moscow Ballet, and others. And we are frequent elderhostel participants: Kentucky, Italy, Florida, Chicago. . . ."

The Suttons have four children, all living and working in the United States. Karen (born in 1955) holds a BA from WMU and is a "kindergarten teacher supreme" in Kalamazoo. Nancy (1958), who

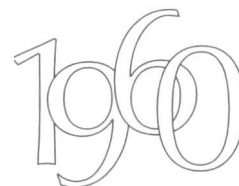
holds a BA from WMU and an MA from Emporia State, is a special education teacher in Kansas City, KS; she is married to Stephen Wolf, and they have three children: Sean (13), Elizabeth (12), and David (10). Kevin (1961) has an engineering degree from WMU and is currently Paper Board Mill Superintendent in Battle Creek, MI; he and his wife, Jane Durecki, have two children: Rebecca (11) and Christina (9). James (1963) holds a doctorate in Renaissance Studies from Yale University, and is a professor at Florida International University in Miami; he is married to Alexandra Pecharich.

Among her special memories of STM Shirley includes: "Morning



*Donald Charles Steele*

mass, the toast and coffee. Ulcers Incorporated. Sunday evening socials. Going home on the street car. Our dear friends and mentors, the Basilian Fathers."



**Donald Charles Steele** makes his home in Prince Edward Island, although he grew up in Saskatoon. His wife, Helen (née Brehm) holds a diploma in nursing from the U of S.

Donald's working career began in 1960 with the Credit Bureau of Saskatoon. In 1974 he became president of Steele Family Investments Ltd, a position he still holds, although he claims to have retired in 1990. While running the family corporation, he also managed to fit in four years with Midland Doherty (1982-86) and another four with McLeod Young Weir (1986-90) as an investment executive.

The Steeles have ten surviving children: Laura (37) is an architect; Marina (36) is completing a PhD in microbiology; Marcus (35) is in marketing; Darby (34) is an industrial millwright; Cara (33) works as a para-legal; Lisa (30) is a teacher; Matthew (27) works in cleaning services; Sean (25) is a cook; Pamela (23) is a teacher; and Andrea (21) is pursuing a writing career. Eight-year-old



*The Sanctuary Choir with Fr. Montague. Donald Steele is second from the left in the front row*

Paula died after an accident in 1978. The Steele grandchildren so far include Cody (14), Alec (5), Alexa (5), Katheryn (5), Feona (2), and Victoria Wallace (3).

"I was involved with Ulcers Incorporated," Donald writes, "which had good support from volunteers to make up the lunches to sell at about wholesale prices. At year-end there was a cheque for the Basilian Fathers for a small profit from this. I was with several students in the Sanctuary Choir which was coached by Fr. Montague. I showed some 16 mm movies in the hall below the Church as I had 16 mm projection equipment with a telephoto lens, which I donated years

later to STM. I was the Innkeeper in an operetta by the late Bill Flegel called *Robespierre* that played once for the Newman Club. I joined the Saskatoon Junior Chamber of Commerce, and was named Jaycee of the Year after work for a 'Traffic Safety Day' project that was well supported by the radio station.

"In 1960, the year of my graduation, I joined the Knights of Columbus in Saskatoon. I am a Past State Deputy for Prince Edward Island State Council (1996-1998) and I still do some work organizing pilgrimages. Currently I have 370 registrations in seven motor coaches for a P.E.I. Knights trip and pilgrimage to Ste.-Anne-de-Beaupré, QC."

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**Sr. Frances Bonokoski**, formerly Sr. Mary St. Louise, grew up on the farm in Marienthal, SK, and now makes her home in Winnipeg.

"My life as a Sister of Our Lady of the Missions," she writes, "has been rich and satisfying — and challenging. After graduating from the University of Saskatchewan, I taught in our private school in Regina, Sacred Heart Academy, for three years, and then my teaching career ended abruptly. For more years than I care to remember, I held duties within our order. I never did get back to the classroom. However, with my duties came some fringe benefits, the most memorable being a couple of trips to England and one to Rome as delegate to our General Chapter, a year of study at Regina Mundi in Rome,

and a three-month spiritual renewal program at our international study house in Rome. This last experience was crowned with a ten-day visit to the Holy Land. Following my duties for the order, I spent some twelve years as an auditor in three marriage tribunals in Canada and five years participating in a program for separated, widowed, and divorced persons.

"In these last few years, age is taking its toll, and I am attempting



*Sr. Frances Bonokoski*

to adjust to an entirely new ministry, that of prayer and presence. It is amazing that, despite physical limitations, life continues to be rich, rewarding, and challenging.

"What I remember with a tinge of regret is that, in those days of semi-cloistered religious life, I did not participate in many STM activities. However, what I remember with joy are the many exceptional professors that I had. I single out two: Fr. O'Donnell, whose extraordinary talent for teaching made Shakespeare come alive for me, and Dr. Miller, whose extraordinary love for mathematics, oddly enough, made calculus come alive for me."

Born and raised in Saskatoon, **Maureen Crowe** (née **Connolly**) now lives on Orcas Island, WA with her husband Gordon, a retired airline pilot.

After earning her BA in 1961, Maureen returned to school for an associate degree in nursing, qualifying as an RN in 1978. From then until 1990 she was employed in nursing related hospital and clinic jobs, specializing in childbirth classes and labour and delivery. In 1992 she volunteered as an emergency responder with the fire department on Orcas Island. From 1996 until 2001 she was the Emergency Medical Services Supervisor with the island fire department. She officially retired in May, but continues to volunteer.

She remembers her STM experiences as "a very positive time in my life — Fr. Finn, Fr. Kennedy, Fr. O'Donnell — many fond memories."

Maureen and Gordon have four children. Karen (37) will graduate

with a degree in nursing this December. Don (36) has a business degree and is self-employed in the sports facilities field. David (34) has an English degree and works as a stand-up comic (and some people still question the practicality of a liberal arts degree!). Kathy (31) also has a liberal arts degree, but works as a mother and homemaker. The six Crowe grandchildren include Melissa (12), Heidi (10), Chandler (4), Sydney (2), Natalie (4), and Katie (2).

It's a long way from Arborfield, SK to Houston, TX, but **Anna Louise Haine** (née O'Byrne) followed her education and career (and perhaps her husband, Robert E. Haine, a graduate of Notre Dame University, Indiana) and that's where she's ended up.

Starting with a BA and BSED from the University of Saskatchewan, she went on to an MSW at the University of Ottawa, and finally a doctorate in public health at the University of Texas. She has been a medical social worker at Saskatoon's University Hospital (now Royal University Hospital), an instructor at the prestigious Baylor College of Medicine, and a social worker with the families of deaf children in Houston while also serving as an adjunct faculty member at the University of Houston School of Social Work.

With such a busy schedule of commitments and accomplishments, it's hard to believe that

Louise and Robert had time to raise two children. But they did, and they managed to maintain Louise's Basilian connection in the process. Robert Thomas Haine (30) is a graduate of the University of St. Thomas, a Basilian institution in Houston, while Christopher John Haine (27) attended St. Thomas High School, also run by Basilians. Robert is married to Angie Holmberg. Christopher, with a degree in architecture, works in San Francisco.

**Edward J. Hergott** from Bruno married Mary Alice Thorn from Moose Jaw. Both are STM graduates, both took education degrees. They now live in Calgary. Ed's other degrees include a Masters in theology from Manhattan College, NY, where he studied under Gabriel Moran.

His teaching career began in Lestock, SK, then moved to St. Mary's High School in Calgary, where he taught English and religious studies. He went on to Bishop Carroll High School, where he headed the department of philosophy and religious studies. He finally retired in 1996 after thirty-four years of teaching. He still misses the students, but enjoys the opportunity to hike and climb in the

Rockies, play old-timers' hockey, and make wine.

Of his days at STM, he remembers particularly the gatherings with friends, singing, Newman Club on Sunday night, Ulcers, and studying in the Shannon Library with coffee dates afterward.

Ed and Mary raised five children: Anne (36), Mark (35), Lynne (33), Pat (31), and Cathy (25). Anne holds both music and education degrees and is an elementary music specialist in Calgary; she and her husband have two children: Jacob (4) and Claire (2) Bohme.

Mark also holds two degrees, one in education and one in history. He spent five years teaching in schools in northern Alberta before returning to Calgary to own and operate a restaurant. He is married to Brigitte Almadi.

Lynne, who earned a rehabilitation diploma from Calgary's Southern Alberta Institute of Technology (SAIT), is married to Bill Clark. The couple live in Fort McMurray, AB and have three children: Breanna (6), Alicia (5), and Katelyn (3).

Pat, who holds a business administration diploma from SAIT, works as a sales representative in oil and gas supplies. Married to Anne MacGowan, with one son, Cormac (1), Pat and his family recently transferred back to Calgary from northern Alberta.

Cathy, the youngest of that generation, holds a BFA in drama and dance, and has been performing and teaching in Toronto for the past two years.



*Wilderness Tips, #25: Get to know the local wildlife.*

**Florence Kroeker** remembers Sunday breakfast and socials at STM. She has had a varied career as a nursing instructor in Calgary (1961-64), an instructor at Edmonton General Hospital (1965-66), and a science teacher with the Edmonton Catholic School District (1967-95). She still resides in Edmonton.

“Greetings to you all!” writes **Theodore Malfair** from his home in Kelowna, BC. “Grateful thanks to God and to all our fine educators at STM.”

After earning his BA at STM in 1961, Ted graduated from the College of Medicine at the U of S in 1965. There followed two years’ internship at St. Paul’s Hospital in Saskatoon, then four years as a family physician in Estevan, SK. In 1971 he began specialist training at the University of Alberta in internal medicine. He spent a year (1975-76) practicing general medicine at a Canadian Forces Base north of Edmonton, and since 1976 he has been practicing internal medicine with a focus on endocrinology.

Ted’s wife, Amelia, has an MEd from the University of Victoria and works as a community health nurse. The couple have been married for thirty-four years. They have three sons and one daughter-in-law. Stephen (31) is a dentist; he is married to Violeta, a mining engineer. David (29) is in the second year of a radiology residency at UBC. James (27) is a computer technologist.

After four degrees and forty years in education, **William M. Markowsky** finally retired in 1987. He

began teaching in rural schools at the age of twenty, and was principal of a two-room school in Eldersley, SK, where he taught grades 7-12. He was also principal at Lawson, White Bear, Spalding, Roseburn, Leask, and Osler. In 1968 he was appointed superintendent of education for the Gull Lake school division, and served as superintendent in several other divisions before superannuating in 1982. He then jump-started his career again and became superintendent, variously, of Wood River, Gravelbourg, College Mathieu, and Our Lady of Fatima school divisions.

Born in Wakaw and now living in Moose Jaw, William and his wife, Lillian, have raised five children, four of whom have followed their father’s footsteps into education.



*William Markowsky*



*Florence Kroeker*



*Amelia and Ted Malfair*

Lyle, the eldest, is a regional superintendent of instruction in the Saskatoon area. Married to Janet, a pharmacist, they have two children, Ila (20) and Kendra (18), both attending the U of S.

Judy is Co-ordinator of Special Education in the Moose Jaw School Division. She is married to Solomon Froese, a teacher. They, too, have two children attending the U of S: Denton (24) and Graeme (22).

Cheryl, a Regional Superintendent of Instruction in the Regina area, is married to Barry Bashutski, who is Director of Education and Research for the Saskatchewan School Trustees Association. They have two children as well. Jill (19) is taking dentistry at the University of Western Ontario, while Kara (19) is finishing high school.

Linda, the Markowskys’ fourth child and third daughter, works at the Saskatoon Public Library. She is married to Cst. Grant Little, a Crime Stoppers co-ordinator in Saskatoon. They have four children: Stephanie (14), Kathryne (13), Jennifer (11), and Victoria (9).

Finally, Evan and his wife Liliane, who works in the emergency department of the Pasqua Hospital in Regina, is a heavy duty industrial mechanic at the waste water treatment plant. Evan and

Liliane have two children: Brayden (11) and Jodi (9).

**Marlene Janet Katherine Monk** (née **Folk**) is married to the internationally-acclaimed operatic baritone, Allan James Monk (see inside back cover).

“His vocation,” Marlene writes, “has taken him and us many places. We lived in Teaneck, NJ (fifteen minutes outside NYC) for ten years, three years in Burlington, ON, and now have returned to Calgary for the past twelve years.”

Marlene’s own vocation to teaching took her a few places as well. After graduating from STM she taught in Edmonton for a year, then spent the next decade with the Calgary Separate School Board. While there she was awarded a bursary to go to Milwaukee, WI to earn a Masters degree as a reading clinician. She served as a principal in 1966-66, and again from 1970-72.

It was in August 1972 that she and Allan married, and began travelling where his job took him. They have three children. Kathryn Schneider (28) holds an Honours degree in kinesiology from the University of Calgary and another degree, with distinction, in physi-

otherapy from McMaster University in Hamilton, ON. Carrie (26) studied music at the U of C, and Joel (24) holds a diploma from Lethbridge Community College.

Marlene’s memories of STM, like so many of her peers’, include “friendship, Sunday evening get-togethers and dancing — and UL-CERS! What fun!”

**Joseph Ernest Nadon**, born in Lampman, SK, lives in Regina, where he spent thirty-three years as a teacher and principal in the Catholic school system. He remembers STM as “a home away from home, where you could meet friends and visit. A place where you always felt welcome.” It is still, he avers, “a great place to visit.”

Ernest and his wife Juliette have three children. Darren (35) holds a BA (Advanced) in psychology, and is married to Daralee McLeod; both work with Social Services in Regina. The couple have two children, Joshua (6) and Michael (3).

Brent (34) puts his BAdmin to good use with Aventis Cropscience in Regina.

Treena Langille (30) lives and works in Comox, BC, but hopes eventually to move back to Regina.

Treena is the mother of 20-month-old Megan.

**Julian Paslawski**’s modest biography gives little hint of the length and breadth of his career, nor of the dedication he has brought to Catholic education over the past forty-six years.

Born in Kindersley, SK, he began his working career in 1955 as a teacher at St. Joseph’s Convent School in Rosetown, SK. From 1958-69 he was a teacher, then a principal, in the Saskatoon Separate School System, becoming a Superintendent in 1969. In 1988 he became the Executive Secretary of the Catholic section of the Saskatchewan School Trustees Association, a position he still holds.

Julian and his wife, Marie Cecile, have three children and five grandchildren. David Joseph (37), a civil engineer with a Masters degree in business administration, is General Manager of Lahrmann Engineering in Calgary; his wife Janice, is also a graduate in civil engineering from the U of S. Douglas James (35) holds a BSc in mechanical engineering from the U of S, and works for Alberta Energy; his wife, Doreen, is a pathologist. Teresa

Marie (33) holds a Masters degree from UCLA-Santa Barbara and a PhD in neurology from the University of Alberta.

The Paslawski grandchildren are Matthew (7), Emily (6), Adam (5), Marielle (3), and Mikhaila (3).

**Marie E. Sadro** (née **Strohhofer**) grew up in Saskatoon, where she



*Julian Paslawski*



*Joseph Nadon*



*Marie Sadro*

earned an Honours BA in French and German, and frequently took breakfast with the Newman Club, before moving on to Yale University where she took an MA in Germanic languages. Not surprisingly, she has made a successful career of teaching French, German, and Spanish at the high school and college levels. She lives in Vancouver with her husband, Dr. Teimur Sadro, where she enjoys skiing, swimming, and aerobics.

Marie and Teimur have four children. Linda C. Prystay, born in 1966, is a biochemist; married to Mark Prystay, the couple have three children: Elicia (11), Adriana (9), and Tanya (8). Claudia T. Sadro is a radiologist; she was born in 1968. Patricia E. Sadro, born in 1970, is a mechanical engineer and trader, and Paul C. Sadro, born in 1974, holds a Masters degree in mathematics.

**Eveline Catherine Schuster** grew up in Humboldt, SK, and now lives in Saskatoon. Eveline taught high school all her professional life: from 1964-69 in Wakaw, SK, and from 1969-94 in Hague, SK.

**Fr. Raymond Senger** grew up in Tramping Lake, SK. He taught school for eight years before acting on his vocation, then attended the seminary for seven years. He was ordained a priest on June 5, 1965.

“I have served in various parishes,” he writes, “and at present I am the pastor of St. Francis Xavier parish in Saskatoon, along with being canonical pastor of St. Joseph’s parish,” also in Saskatoon. Fr. Senger’s double duty is not rare in the Saskatoon diocese, and

points up the need for vocations. His special memories of STM days are “the many good friends I made there.”

**Anne Stang** has neither children nor grandchildren, she says, “unless some fifty-five nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews count!” She writes: “I finally learned to ride a bike in 1980. Cycling is now an important part of my life, along with hiking, skiing, sewing, travelling, and of course reading.”

Reading has played a large part in Anne’s career as well as her leisure time. She worked in the provincial library in Regina from 1961-62, taught social studies at Sacred Heart Academy 1962-64, and was a teacher-librarian in Inuvik NWT, Olds AB, Calgary, Regina, and then back in Calgary. For twenty years she was active in Children’s Literature Round Table, and cherishes the memory of the many authors and illustrators she has met.

Born in Primate, SK with a brace of other distinguished alumni/ae (see photograph), Anne now makes her home in Calgary. Her special memories of STM include mass,

communion breakfasts, KP, evening socials, and of course the library.

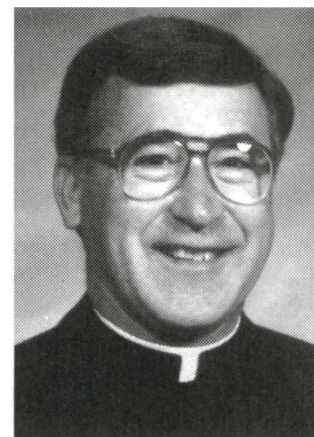
**Rosemary Trottier (née Bowditch)** taught high school English, History, and Christian Ethics at Tisdale Composite High School, then at Sion Academy, E. D. Feehan, Holy Cross, and Bishop Mahoney High Schools in Saskatoon. She has written and produced several videos for television and the Natural History Museum in Regina. She is now retired after ten years as a pastoral assistant at St. Anne’s church in Saskatoon.

Originally from Sylvania, SK, Rosemary lives in Saskatoon with her husband Roger, also an STM grad. Her STM experience “changed and shaped my life,” she writes. “My memories are too numerous to list.” She and Roger have seven children — not too numerous to list — starting with Daniel (36) who is Director of Research and Development with Aventis. Married to Donna Eley, they have two sons, Ben (8) and Cody (7).

Paul (35) is a sessional lecturer at the U of S while he works on his Masters degree. He and Gina Rossmann have one daughter, Mac-



*Anne Stang*



*Fr. Raymond Senger*



kenzie.

Camilla (33) taught in Fort St. John for six years before taking up fashion design, which she is currently studying in Lethbridge, AB.

Tara (29), who has studied both at the U of S and at SAIT, is a freelance television producer. Married to Chris Gerritsen, a columnist with the *Calgary Sun*, the couple has one daughter, Julia (2).

David (24) holds a BFA in film and video, and is the owner of Goliath's Eye in Calgary.

Alynn (22) is studying the performing arts at Red Deer College, and Lise (17) graduated from Bishop Mahoney High School in 2001.

**Zygmunt Yuzak** grew up in Alvena, SK, and has now retired in Prince Albert after some thirty-five years of teaching, which included five years at rural schools in Poltawa, SD (1949-52) and Pitt, SD (1949-52), eight years (1952-60) in the town of Aberdeen, SK before

coming to STM for 1960-61. Following graduation, he taught at Riverside Collegiate in Prince Albert until 1975, and then Carlton Comprehensive High School until he retired in 1982.

Zyg and his wife Ethel have five children. The eldest, Monica (46) is a medical doctor in Vancouver; she has one daughter, Anika (21).

Myra (44) is a lawyer with the Federal Department of Justice in Saskatoon. Mae Lynn (39) works for People's Credit Jewelers, and has one daughter, Erica (13). Marlene (37) is a home maker in Saskatoon with two children: Esther (13), and Lewis (10). Maxine (37) works for BC Tel in Vancouver.



*Zygmunt and Ethel Yuzak*

**STM**



*Eunice Meakin, Peter Dielschneider, and Anne Stang, June 2001. All three are from Primate, SK — not bad for a town of 100!*



## Candid Moments at STM

Prize-winning gorilla Sandy Dutkiwch is pictured at left with his date, another gorilla. Sandy is one of our invaluable maintenance people at STM. We don't know which gorilla is Sandy.

# DISTINGUISHED ALUMNA/ALUMNUS 2001

## MILDRED KERR DISTINGUISHED ALUMNA 2001



*Mildred receives a print of the College from President George Smith, CSB.*

STM's distinguished alumna for 2001 is Mildred Kerr. She was given the award, appropriately enough, at the alumni/ae banquet and barbecue in June. Even more appropriately, she was introduced by Margaret Dutli, Distinguished Alumna for 1999.

"Mildred McNamee," Margaret told us, "grew up in Kuroki, in a family with two sisters and one brother. Now, if you do not know where Kuroki is, I have it on good authority that it is at the heart of Saskatchewan, east of Saskatoon, north of Qu'appelle, and three miles south of Tryhuba's barn."

From an early age Mildred had a passion for justice, and the energy to challenge the rules if she found them unfair. Indeed, when she was six years old, indignant at having the age for entering first grade arbitrarily changed from six to seven, she and a friend

took their case to the school board. Without their parents' knowledge, they marched into the meeting room and announced that they were ready to start school.

"They could read," said Margaret, "and they could colour inside the lines!"

Some years later, Mildred came to Saskatoon to enrol in the College of Education. As she was standing in line on registration day, she noticed a table offering information about a Catholic college. Questioning the students at the table, she was advised to get an Arts degree first, so that she would have a better foundation for teaching. Consequently, she enrolled in STM, and graduated in 1959 with a BA in English.

After graduation, Mildred worked in the Department of Social Services. In 1960 she married Don. When their sons — they have three, as well as two

foster sons who joined them as teenagers — were in school, Mildred went back to work part time, this time in medical social work. She was the first employee to be named to the board of her institution, and the first shop steward of the union.

Her next job was as a social worker in Catholic high schools. Here again she helped to organize a union for the support staff. And again she was shop steward.

In 1980 she earned her BSW, having taken courses as she worked. She spent some time at Catholic Family Services, then in 1983 she left paid employment to volunteer with the Saskatoon Union of Unemployed Workers. This group later renamed itself Equal Jus-

tice for All. She is still with them.

Currently Mildred serves on the Board of the Open Door Society and on the Premier's Advisory Committee, whose function is to choose recipients for the Saskatchewan Order of Merit and the Volunteer Medal. She has also served three years on the Board of Interval House. She has been honoured with the YWCA Achievement Award in Volunteering, and with the Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal.

"Mildred's longing for justice," Margaret concluded, "her faith in God, and her inner peace give her energy; her compassion and humour rise from a well of hope and joy that is her centre."

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## The Way Justice Thinkers Think

MILDRED KERR

I feel a deep sense of support from this honour, but compared to others so honoured, like Tom Molloy this year, I don't think I've succeeded in accomplishing very much. As far as seeing poverty ease in this country, in fact it's worse than when social benefits began to be slashed in the 1980s when I first started this kind of work.

I am very lucky to have a profession that brings me close to my neighbours' lives. But I want to give

thanks to my family, too — my husband Don, who couldn't be here tonight, and my boys. If it weren't for their putting up with me, I wouldn't have been able to do this. I remember once Bob saying to David, "No use talking to her, she's thinking about somebody else." I felt badly, but it's true they've had to share me a lot.

I want to introduce you to two of my friends, who really are my mentors. It is through their kind of example that I get my energy.

Tillie Taylor is here tonight. I remember many long discussions when she was busy as a judge but also on the Canadian Council for Social Development. She has since been honoured with the Saskatchewan Order of Merit for her work in helping to start the Human Rights Commission in our province.

My friend Dorothy Daoust is also here. Despite all her own hardships from disabilities, and all of the things that go with that, she has come to volunteer at Equal Justice for All for five years. She has also been on the National Anti-Poverty Board, the Anti-Poverty Coalition, and the Inter-Church Justice Committee, and is willing to speak to any church group or university class that will have us. Her humour is one of the things that keeps me going.

We insist that people who live the experience are the professors of poverty. Only today, Dorothy said to me, "You know, poor people who volunteer should



*Margaret Dutli, Distinguished Alumna for 1999, presented the award to Mildred Kerr.*

be given credits toward a pension, and pensioners who volunteer should be given credits toward their grandchildren's education.

"There is already a model for it," she continued, "because people who choose fine options get to pay off their fines by doing community service."

That's the way justice thinkers think.

I want to quote from this week's *Prairie Messenger*. Besides my friends and my family, and my beliefs of course, that newspaper, as well as *The Catholic Worker*, I find very sustaining. Rev. David Hilfiger was quoted in the June 20 issue of the PM:

Justice does not flow from charity; rather, charity flows from justice.

It is charitable to give food and clothing, but it is still humiliating for those who have to ask for them. Is it not better to ask to stop the causes of poverty and injustice?

All who work in our inner-city services across the country and who see those who are struggling and hear their stories are very lucky to be able to do that. I feel very lucky to be able to do that. As Archbishop — then Bishop — Weisgerber said at a social justice conference, "We have to have people in our lives who can teach us how we should be responding."

Every day we receive requests to be advocates — 800 a year, on average. We hear about the desertions, the injuries, the disabilities, the family betrayals, the child apprehensions, the addictions, but the most troubling thing is hearing the bureaucrats and politicians denigrating the very people they are supposed to treat with dignity and understanding.

We also hear about and see the effects of the indefensible underfunding by government of programs that cannot do what they were intended to do without adequate funding. There seems to be a public attitude among taxpayers and voters that people have been treated too well. In reality, an adult person's basic benefits for food, clothing, personal needs, household goods, furniture — everything — is \$195, and that's been the same since 1980. It was reduced to \$145 for employable persons in the early '80s, when I started. We launched a court challenge which became known as the Chambers Case which won in the Court of Appeal, but the response of the government of the day was to take from married employables what they had already taken from the singles. It was re-

turned to \$195 in 1991, and that's where it has stayed.

Rent allowances have not been increased since 1985, so people are having to take from their basic benefit to pay their rent so they won't get evicted. So people are hungry in Canada, the country that is the best place to live in the world. We need all people who share our ethics and our belief in justice to tell our leaders that the Charter of Rights and Freedoms needs to be interpreted so that "security of the person" means the right to basic food and shelter. And we must work to stop creating this kind of suffering in the first place.

I think maybe I have spoken long enough. I am very, very grateful. But come and help us. We're very short of volunteers.

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TOM MOLLOY  
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*From the left: President George Smith, CSB, Alison Molloy, Kathryn Molloy, Tom Molloy, Jennifer Molloy, and Rev. Ron Fabbro, CSB, Superior-General of the Basilian Fathers. Another daughter, Corinne Howe, could not be present.*

*President George Smith introduced Tom Molloy at the Corporation Banquet:*

The STM/Newman Alumni/ae Association is honouring Thomas Molloy for his service and commitment to his community and country. Indeed, what a service this has been. As a student at STM, Mr. Molloy was on the STM student council and was a representative on the National Federation of Canadian University Students. He was also involved in drama and debating, and he coached both the football and hockey teams. He was given the Social Award for his many contributions to student life here at STM.

Upon graduating from STM, Tom entered the College of Law, where once again his service to student life was significant. He was elected to the Student Representative Council, and served as co-chair of the National Federation of University Students. He co-chaired both the Blood Drive and Frosh Welcome

Week. He was also involved in Parliamentary Forum and student/faculty weekend seminars.

Tom's service record has continued since his student days. The Meewasin Foundation, Habitat for Humanity, the Saskatoon Foundation, Wanuskewin Heritage Park, Friends of Saskatchewan Children, The Partnership, and the St. Paul's Hospital Board are just a few of the organizations in which he has been involved.

In 1996, Tom was awarded the Order of Canada. A portion of his citation reads:

He is widely known for his role as Chief Negotiator for the Government of Canada in the Nunavut Land Claim Agreement. His integrity, commitment to a just settlement and personable rapport have also been valuable in his leader-

ship of numerous cultural, educational and charitable groups, not only in Saskatchewan but also nationally.

Today, Tom Molloy can add the successful Nisga's Final Agreement to his portfolio. He has recently authored a book on the subject, *The World is Our Witness: The Historic Journey of the Nisga into Canada*, co-authored with Donald Ward, which won two Sas-

katchewan Book Awards.

Tom has received the U of S Alumni Award of Achievement for his many hours of volunteer work, and he was recently named Chancellor of the University of Saskatchewan.

So it is with great pleasure and pride that, on behalf of St. Thomas More College and the Newman Centre, I present to Mr. Thomas Molloy the 2001 Distinguished Alumnus Award.

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## The Product of a Basilian Education

TOM MOLLOY

I should be described as the product of a Basilian education.

The boy's high school I attended in Saskatoon was run by the Basilian Fathers, at least for the period I was there. In grade 9, the famous "white house" became part of my world. On occasions when we were going on early morning hockey trips we would be brought there for juice, coffee, and muffins. There was a group of us in high school who would serve at all the solemn church ceremonies with the bishop, and the priests from STM would always participate in these services. Often they would come to our high school sporting and other events, so Fathers O'Donnell, Finn, Kennedy, Montague, and the Mallons, to name a few, were well known to me long before I ever darkened the doors of one of their classrooms.

When the new STM was opened, several of us helped the high school priests move their belongings to their new quarters. I participated in the dedication of the building, and a few days later the consecration of the altar. When I was in grade 11 and 12, our graduation dances were held in the auditorium, with its then-famous "pit."

The Basilians (they were not the only order, but they led the school) in the high school had tremendous dedication to building the school, and were models of commitment. St. Paul's High School began in 1952 as a Grade 9 class in a former grade school — which, by the way, I had attended from grade 1 to 7. It was located at the site of the present day Federated Co-operatives Head Office. Each year another grade

was added. When I started, the school went to grade 11, and for the first time there were two grade 9 classes. When it reached its first grade 12 class, there were fewer than 200 students, but they were from every stratum of society in Saskatchewan. The school had nothing in terms of equipment or gymnasium, and very limited other facilities. The sports uniforms were begged, borrowed, or perhaps even "stolen" from Basilian schools across North America. Thus, as high school students, we knew the names of all the schools and colleges run by the Basilians.

Basilians like Richard Sheehan, the principal, Jack Stortz, and Larry Faye taught us that hard work and a little imagination can go a long way to build things. We learned there was more to school than learning, that giving of your time and talents to projects can be fun and rewarding. The sports program was built and run under the leadership of Fr. Stortz. This program began the year I was in Grade 9; it was also his first year. With no money, he organized a group of students, including myself, to work after school and on weekends and other holidays, to build lockers, outdoor rinks, equipment rooms; he organized raffles and annual magazine drives in which all students participated. The money raised was used to buy equipment and support the school. There were no taxes for Separate schools then. An extensive intramural program within the school was created — hockey, football, basketball, curling, bowling, and table tennis, with students participating in the organization and management of the leagues, and the priests helping

with coaching. Hockey was not a high school sport, so Fr. Stortz helped create a league within the city with a midget and juvenile level, and, in the tradition of St. Michael's, our teams excelled. Our school — very much smaller than the other city high schools — competed in the high school leagues, and, perhaps with the exception of football, were very competitive. Weekend hockey trips to small communities were also organized, and the football and basketball teams also travelled.

Finished uniforms were expensive, so we made our own. Painting used football helmets, gluing numbers and crests on hockey and football sweaters, and laundering them occupied many Saturdays and holidays. But it wasn't all just about sports; drama and glee clubs, sodality, student councils, the photography club, and academic honour clubs were organized and run by the priests and students. Also created was the Fathers' Club, which was made up of our own fathers and the priests, and it became an integral part of the school; its members helped raise money, provided coaches and drivers for the teams, and provided socials for students — our fathers and the priests together. It was truly a tripartite process.

Thus, the school and the priests were fully integrated into our lives. Service and involvement in the community were part of life's experiences and part of going to school.

It was through St. Paul's that the seeds of service planted by the examples of service in my own family were nurtured, and which would begin to flourish here at STM and Newman Club.

I was not alone in my experiences, for there were others; despite its handicaps, St. Paul's had one of the largest percentage of grade 12 graduates in the city that went to university. For my friends and me, it was a given that we were going to STM. It was obviously an incredible advantage coming to the university for the first time with that background and association with STM.

The graduates of St. Paul's that continued on to STM and Newman Club in my time there have achieved some of the highest positions in the work place. Several ambassadors, a Court of Appeal judge, cabinet ministers, municipal politicians, doctors, lawyers, dentists, social workers, engineers, teachers, university professors — including an STM faculty member — priests and senior executives are among the ranks

of these few graduates.

Why do I spend so much time talking about high school experiences, on the occasion of receiving an STM Alumni Award? Simply because when I came to STM and the Newman Club, what I found here was no surprise. The commitment and involvement with students by the priests — at that time there was only one lay faculty member, Tony Romuldez — were exactly what I had experienced for the past four years, and what I would experience for the next six years: ten years impacted by Basilian traditions, teachings and, more importantly, life examples.

By the time I got to university, being involved in student government and college initiatives had become as much a part of education as classes, books, and exams, and so it was only natural that I would continue to be involved in the same way at university. The priests at STM were as much a part of college life as the priests in high school. Those ten years of Basilian experience in community involvement would naturally accompany me as I began to take my place in the professional world. The value of service I learned from the Basilians would be with me forever. So I believe that paying honour to my high school years and the Basilian priests there, I honour the entire Congregation of St. Basil. It was a unique experience, and I wanted to share it with you for it was so much a part of what I became. For this experience I have been ever grateful.

A quotation from the program of this year's Academic Mass summed it up very nicely:

A school is, therefore, a privileged place in which, through a living encounter with a cultural inheritance, integral formation occurs. . . . When seen in this light, a school is not only a place where one is given a choice of intellectual values, but a place where one has presented an array of values which are actively lived.

Think about it:

A place where one has presented an array of values which are actively lived.

This, I believe, accurately sums up my Basilian experiences.

For this I thank them most sincerely.

## and speaking of distinguished alumnae. . . .

Teresa Smith writes from Edmonton that Betty Farrell (née Quinn, '45) has received an important award from the City of Edmonton. She also enclosed a clipping about Kay Feehan (née Hammond, '51 — see page XX), and notified us about the untimely death of Vince Dantzer ('48 — see the *Newsletter* for Winter 19XX?).

“Betty, Kay, and Vince,” she writes, “were all *very* active in the life of STM and the Newman Club while at university. They have made outstanding contributions to Edmonton and the wider community, and I am so fortunate to count them among my best friends.”

And we are fortunate to have alumnae like Teresa who keep us well informed. Two articles about Betty and Kay are reprinted below, with grateful thanks to their authors and Edmonton's *Western Catholic Reporter*.

### Farrell honoured for life of service

St. Patrick's parishioner stands up for the poor

RAMON GONZALEZ

*Western Catholic Reporter, July 2, 2001*

Betty Farrell walks the talk of social justice and equality.

The local Catholic activist has devoted her life to helping the poor locally and internationally. Farrell's volunteer work ranges from packing hampers at the Anawin Food Bank in the inner city to raising funds for Third World development to raising awareness about injustice.

She has served on more than 16 boards or advisory committees at the local, provincial and national levels and is in her third decade as a volunteer for the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace.

To Farrell's surprise, on June 16 Mayor Bill Smith gave her and eight others a City of Edmonton award for outstanding community service.

The award honours individuals and groups who have contributed

to the city's quality of life through long and significant service in social services, community service, multiculturalism, sports and health care.

Farrell is the second Catholic social activist to have received the



*Betty Farrell*

award in the past two years. Last year it went to Bob McKeon, a longtime inner city resident, community volunteer and theology professor.

“I felt very humbled about it because there are so many people who do tremendous things and don't get any awards,” Farrell told the WCR. “So this award isn't just for me.”

The award is well deserved, said Bob Schmidt, Alberta-Mackenzie animator for CCODP.

“She is a strong person who obviously has that orientation to help people. She is very strong in her conviction that we need to change the conditions that make injustice possible,” he said.

Born in Regina, Farrell grew up in Prince Albert, SK, and studied social work at the University of Manitoba.

There were no trained social workers in the civil service and just a few



Catholic social workers when she came to Edmonton to work in 1946.

She became the only Catholic family worker at the then Family Service Bureau and was given responsibility for all Catholic clients. In 1948 she gave up her career to marry Bus Farrell, a mechanical engineer, with whom she raised five girls and five boys.

Inspired by her desire to help people, Farrell became active in the community once her children had started school.

She helped establish Pine View, a home for unwed mothers, serving on the home care advisory committee and later serving on Edmonton's preventive social services committee for about six years.

She was a member of St. Joseph

Basilica in those years and was chair of the parish's social action committee and a member of the Catholic Women's League.

In the early 1970s, Farrell became involved with CCODP, which promotes solidarity between Canadians and people in the Third World.

She soon found her way to the archdiocesan committee, becoming chairperson in 1978. From 1982 to 1987 she served on CCODP's national council, where she participated in decisions about policy and funding of Third World projects.

Today Farrell continues to serve on the CCODP local council, performing many volunteer functions.

"I really feel that we have to share what we have with the rest of the

world," she said. "When people in the rest of the world are suffering, we pay here in some way. So we have to help them overcome injustice. The Lord calls us to do that."

Since 1990 Farrell has been an active member of St. Patrick's Parish. She still belongs to the CWL at the basilica.

She is also a member of the Quality of Life Commission, an ecumenical group that advocates for the poor, and is on the board of the Edmonton Inner City Housing Society, an organization that provides affordable housing for the poor.

And every Friday she goes to Anawim Place, a food depot run by the Sisters of Providence in the inner city, to prepare and hand out food hampers.

## Feehan honoured for community service

RENATO GANDIA

*Western Catholic Reporter, June 18, 2001*

Catholic Social Services has honoured Dr. Kay Feehan for her long-standing commitment to social work and the needs of children and families.

The Edmonton educator and social worker is this year's recipient of the Monsignor Bill Irwin Award of Excellence, presented at CSS's annual meeting June 8.

Feehan has an outstanding reputation for her creativity, highly principled leadership and dedicated service to the community.

"It (community service) was fun," Feehan said after she received her award.

Feehan, who has been married to Mr. Justice Bernard Feehan for 47 years, has also been awarded an

honorary doctorate of divinity from St. Stephen's College for her outstanding contribution to social work and the community.



*Kay and Bernard Feehan*

She served as chair of the social work program at Grant MacEwan Community College for nearly 20 years. During these years she developed and administered several innovative programs. Close to her heart is the outreach program to address the needs of aboriginal people.

Feehan was co-chair for the Edmonton region steering committee in developing integrated and community-based services to children and families. Her leadership capacity has been demonstrated not only locally but also in national social work associations.

Originally from Saskatoon, Feehan is a tireless advocate for the marginalized. She was a founding

board member of Acadia House for Adolescents and the Terra School for Unwed Mothers.

In 1991, she successfully chaired Catholic Social Services' Sign of Hope campaign team, which raised nearly \$990,000.

A mother of seven, she has been

active on innumerable local and national boards of directors including Caritas Health Group, A.B.C., Headstart and Edmonton Housing Authority. She served for many years as president of the board of International Social Service Canada.

She is also a person of deep faith.

Taking leadership roles in the Edmonton archdiocese throughout the years proved her commitment to the Catholic Church. She was once chair of the board of directors of WCR.

When asked what's her greatest pride and joy, Feehan readily said, "My family."

Do you yearn for the footlights?  
Do you crave the applause of the  
admiring throng?

**Are you now or have  
you ever been  
a member of . . .**



## **NEWMAN DRAMA?**

If you answered "yes" to any of the above questions, then

**WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU.**



STM's resident thespian, playwright, and director, Fr. Ed Heidt, CSB is now casting Thornton Wilder's classic play about life, love, marriage, and death, *Our Town*, to be performed in the newly renovated theatre/auditorium on March 22-23 at 7:30 pm and Sunday, March 24 at 2 pm.

The cast is to be made up of Newman Drama alumni/ae.

Do you see yourself as Emily? George? a Gibbs or a Webb? or perhaps even the Stage Manager? Call Fr. Heidt at 966-8942, or 652-0903, or simply come to the auditorium (or the cafeteria if the auditorium isn't finished yet) on Friday, January 11, 7-9 pm.

Opening night is sponsored by the STM/Newman Alumni/ae Association, and includes a wine and cheese party with the cast following the performance.

Tickets for this special evening are \$20.

Tickets for the Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon performances are \$10 and \$8

# Those Were The Days

The President's Dinner honouring  
75 years of the Newman Club Friday, June 22, 2001

Alumni/ae Barbecue and Coffeehouse — Saturday, June 22, 2001



Alumni/ae Breakfast — Sunday, July 23, 2001

Once upon a time when we were students,  
Newman Club was home to all of you  
Remember how we laughed away the hours  
And dreamed of all the great things we would do.

### *Chorus #1*

Those were the days my friends, why did they ever end,  
We were so young, so happy and so free  
We came from near and far, by plane, train, bus and car,  
To our new home, our Newman family.

Singing in the Glee Club was a privilege,  
All of us remember with a tear  
Urb Donlevy trained our croaky voices  
And made us into singers you would cheer.

### *Chorus #2*

Those were the days my friend, we hoped they'd never end  
We'd sing and dance forever and a day  
We'd live the life we choose, we had our friends and booze  
Those were the days, oh yes, those were the days.

Plays at Newman really were quite special  
O'Donnell the director was the best  
Shakespeare's plays were often on the program  
And put the actors' talents to the test.



*Eileen Laverty,  
Rena Dartsch,  
Tanya Sosulski.*

Saturdays the Newman gang went bowl-  
ing  
Lucky that the pub was just next door  
Didn't help the game that we were  
rolling  
But the friends we made were really  
worth much more.



*Mrs and Mr Patrick Cummins, Judy and Lyle Burkell, Jerry Goski, Robert and Margaret Sanche*

A society we cherished was debating  
 On issues of the day we shared our views  
 The hours we spent in arguments preparing  
 Were all worthwhile endeavours, win or lose.

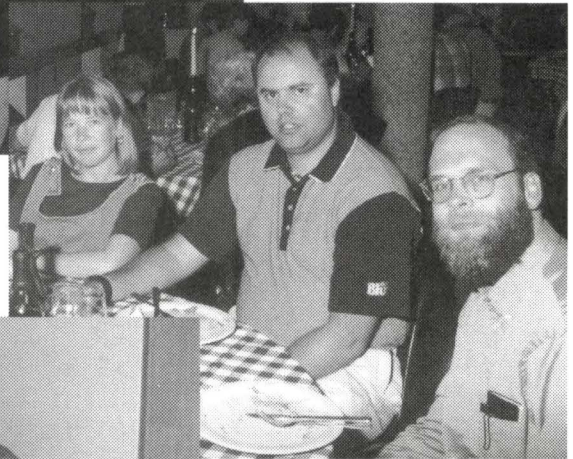
The Pit was the locale for Sunday dancing  
 Eyeing up each other cross the room  
 Remember oh what joy anticipating  
 The possibility that love might bloom.

We all recall the Kennedys, Dick and Judy  
 STM's dynamic teaching team  
 Introduced Victorian prose and poetry  
 And on the side, to Teacher's Highland Cream

Who'd forget the day, when Roger Rigelhoff  
 And friends the Newman grand piano tore  
 Apart and every scrap of wood refinished  
 Backstage behind the stage's big black doors.



*At breakfast: Ed Hergott, Mary Alice Hergott, Art Battiste, Rosemary Trottier, Marianne Bourgeois, Roger Trottier, Angeline Battiste, Cathy Francall, Joyce MacLean, Nestor Francall, Tom Molloy.*



*Rev. Guy Trudel, CSB, with a beard and two friends.*



*Tony Sieben, Joyce MacLean, Angeline Battiste, Evan Lord, Iain MacLean (standing) Art Battiste, SueLord, and Colleen Sieben.*

Dining out at Ulcers was  
 a ritual  
 Following 7:30 daily  
 morning Mass  
 Toast and jam were  
 always on the menu  
 Just enough before 8:30  
 class

Those were the days my friend, we thought we'd met our end  
 When all the food by students was prepared  
 Of all the food we ate the one we'd nominate  
 Was when the lettuce soapy suds displayed.

*lyrics by*  
 Angeline & Art Battiste  
 Joyce & Iain MacLean  
 Colleen & Tony Sieben

Fathers Sullivan, Montague, Stokes, Finn  
 and Mallons,  
 They nurtured us and kept us on our way,  
 Did their job so well and how we loved  
 them,  
 We wish that they were here with us  
 today.

La La La La La La La La . . .



*Rev. Ron Griffin, CSB, with  
 Fiona Haynes, a former  
 member of STM's campus  
 ministry team, and her  
 husband Rob Degenstein.*



*Awarding the  
 Thomas More  
 Medal to the  
 Newman Club:  
 Anne Ballantyne,  
 president of the  
 Alumni/ae  
 Association,  
 President George  
 Smith, CSB,  
 Richard  
 Medernach, then  
 president of the  
 Newman Club, and  
 campus ministry  
 team member  
 Michael MacLean.*



*"The Pit."*

# Absent Friends

These things will I remember  
as I pour out my soul:  
how I would lead the rejoicing crowd  
into the house of God,  
amid cries of gladness and thanksgiving. . . .

Psalm 42.4

Please remember in your prayers our deceased alumni/ae and friends

Martin Bitz ('43)  
Michael Albert Buchinski ('61)  
Sid Buckwold  
James Anthony Carr ('47)  
Morris Cherneskey ('50)  
Edmund Frank Cybulski ('50)

Ray Joseph John Kennedy  
James Joseph Kinahan ('52)  
Mary Louise Long ('42)  
Rev. William C. Marceau, CSB  
Phillipe Marchildon ('43)  
Andrew Medwid

Vincent Martin Dantzer ('48)  
Cecilia Darby ('49)  
Ernest Darichuk ('68)  
Walter James Daviduk ('65)  
Stephen Diditch ('40)  
Anton Gross ('61)  
Alois Paul Hiebert ('59)  
Antoine Holtvogt  
Gloria Jackson ('72)  
Micheline Andrée Marie Jacobson ('67)  
Peter Janzen ('60)  
Robert Gerald Koep ('58)  
Apollo Korpan  
Stuart Kolbinson ('42)  
Rev. Neil Kelly, CSB

Frank Mooney (Newman Pres. 1940-41)  
Gerald Muzyka ('53)  
John Terrence Phalen ('50)  
Renato Raimondo ('48)  
Gerry Rose  
Aloysius Schachtel  
John Specken ('55)  
Lorne Michael Tonn ('70)  
Mary Veness  
Jerome White ('55)  
Donald Anthony Wilhelm ('60)  
Benjamin Francis Wolff ('51)  
Edwin Young ('60 – Newman Club)  
Victor Zuck ('45)  
Sr. Salesia Zunti ('71)



## HENRY CARR, CSB

Catholic Educator

“Founding Father”  
of  
St. Thomas More College

On November 28, 1963, Fr. Henry Carr died at the age of 83. To mark the fortieth anniversary of his death and to recognize his achievements, a symposium will be held at St. Thomas More College in 2003. The event will bring together Basilians and other educators, scholars, former students, and friends to reflect on the significance of Fr. Carr’s life and thought, and his many contributions to Catholic higher education in Canada.

The planning group for the symposium includes Bernard Daly, well-known Catholic journalist, former student of Fr. Carr, and current member of the STM

Corporation; Fr. James Hanrahan, CSB, past president of STM; Irene Poelzer, professor emerita of the U of S and former student of Fr. Carr; Margaret Sanche, STM archivist and historian; and John Thompson, past president of STM and current faculty member.

Scholars and friends who wish to participate in the Carr Symposium, either as presenters or attendees, are encouraged to contact STM at 306-966-8900, or John Thompson at john.thompson@usask.ca, or any other member of the committee.

The Carr Symposium will be held at St. Thomas More College, June 18-21, 2003.

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## RE/UNION OF CAMPUS MINISTERS



*Current and former members of STM's campus ministry team came together at the President's Dinner this spring. Left to right: Rev. Mel Fenrich, Michael MacLean, Sr. Teresita Kambeitz, OSU, Claude Lang, Margaret Dutli, Rev. Ron Griffin, CSB, Carol Tosczaik, David Peacock, Sr. Roma de Robertis, SCIC, and Fiona Haynes.*

# FOCUS ON CAMPUS MINISTRY

## Volunteer Experience Changes Student . . .

JORDAN VELESTUK

## . . . Forever

I will remember the Summer of 2001 as one of growth, discernment, prayer, service, and fun. I was selected in April to participate in a six-week program called SERVE. Initially, I had no idea what SERVE was about. The promotional brochure stated that SERVE — Summer Endeavour in a Redemptorist Volunteer Experience — was an “opportunity to experience Christian community and to volunteer with those in special need.”

I thought I’d give it a try.

Each year, twenty-four men and women are selected to participate in SERVE. Twelve are chosen to go to Edmonton and the other half participate in SERVE-Toronto. I was the only person from Saskatchewan selected for SERVE-Edmonton. Jeanne McKay, Jordan Anderson, and Michael Yaremko were chosen for SERVE-Toronto.

Claire Rolheiser, a former STM student and long-time STM music minister, participated in SERVE-2000 in Edmon-

ton, and was chosen to join the team for SERVE 2001. I spoke with Claire before leaving for Edmonton; she jubilantly exclaimed that SERVE was one of the best experiences she had ever had and it had changed her life forever. Being naturally sceptical, I was reluctant to believe that someone could be changed “forever” in six short weeks. I would soon be proven wrong.

SERVE-Edmonton began on May 4, while SERVE-

Toronto started two weeks later. Upon arriving, I met the other eleven people who were to become some of my best friends. The three pillars of SERVE are community, service, and prayer. Community is emphasized by the fact that all twelve SERVE candidates, plus the three team leaders, live in one house. In Toronto, participants stay at Gerard House; in Edmonton, the place of residence is Clement House.

Community came to mean much more than simply living together, however. A sense of



*Jordan Velestuk with SERVE apostolate partner Tracy LeClair. Tracy and Jordan worked in St. Michael elementary school in Edmonton for their SERVE experience. (Photo: Rev. Remi Hebert, CSsR, co-ordinator of the SERVE program.)*



commitment, honesty, and diligence developed among all members of the community who worked hard to make the community flourish. Indeed, community was challenging at times, but I feel that each participant discovered a lot about him/herself not by focusing on oneself, but by devoting attention and care to the community as a whole.

Service, the second cornerstone of SERVE, was exemplified in a particular way. SERVE participants were paired, and each pair was assigned a volunteer placement area for the six weeks. Each day, “SERVEites” (as we came to call ourselves) would leave in the morning to volunteer at an “apostolate” until late in the afternoon. Places of service included homes for the elderly, emergency shelters, group homes, and agencies for the poor and disadvantaged.

I was teamed up with Tracy LeClair, who came to SERVE from Kamloops, BC. Tracy and I were blessed to be stationed at St. Michael elementary school in inner-city Edmonton. I spent the better part of the six weeks at the pool, helping Kindergarten to Grade 6 students with swimming lessons (what a summer!). When not playing in the water, days would be spent in the classroom and on the playground.

Being a volunteer at the school was a unique experience. Both Tracy and I noticed that we were not regarded by the children of the school as authority figures (like teachers), but they held us in higher regard than their peers. The position we held was one of a role model. With hundreds of six- to

thirteen-year-olds around, being a role model is no easy task!

Prayer was the final and unequivocally most important part of SERVE. Mass was held each day while on SERVE (except for Saturdays) and apostolate pairs prayed together each day on returning from their apostolates. The highlight of each week was the experience called SERVE-Eucharist. The powerful mass was held Thursday evenings and took the format of a regular mass, except that during the homily, each SERVEite integrated his/her experiences, thoughts, and prayers into a shared homily. It was found that these evenings pulled the community together, and all looked

forward to sharing on Thursday nights.

SERVE was not all work, though! There were camping trips, dances, shopping, movies, and much more. In all honesty, SERVE was the *best* time I ever had — a sentiment shared by nearly all who have ever gone. In retrospect, Claire’s statement about SERVE changing her forever turned out not to be an exaggeration at all.

SERVE is an incredible opportunity for young adults to apply their faith through volunteer service, community, and prayer. It is a time of self-discovery, friendship-building, faith development, and pure joy.

## Newman Community Builder



*Paddling down the North Saskatchewan River, the Newman gang found a sand bank to rest on. This retreat at Camp Shekinah was led by David Peacock, and the activities were designed to build community spirit.*

*Back row, left to right: Dennis Corcoran, Mitch Spray, Crystal Nicholls, Jordan Velestuk, Torville Thronberg, Dave Plaskett, and Candice Jackel. Front row: Tammie Dewan, Katy Wingham, and Rebecca Bloos.*

# Canadian Catholic Campus Ministry Conference

June 9 – 13, 2001 / Sudbury, Ontario

DAVID PEACOCK

*Wake-up! A Spirituality of Incarnation -  
Infiltering like the Nutrino - Transforming like a Gene(o).*

That was the theme for the Canadian Catholic Campus Ministry Conference this year. I'm not sure what it meant (something to do with a science project in Sudbury?), but Michael MacLean and I had a wonderful time.



Joining a group of around thirty other Catholic campus ministers, from Victoria, BC to St. John's, NF, we met at the beautiful Villa Loyola Jesuit Retreat Centre for several days of community building, presentations, and discussions. The hosts were the gracious University of Sudbury campus ministry team of Ron Perron, SJ, Gisele Demers, and Joan Dyck.

Our conversations were stimulated by presentations on topics as

*Left: David Peacock and Sheree Drummond at the Anishinabe Centre.*

diverse as the nature of the person (Sr. Cecile Larocque, PhD from Laurentian University), a quantitative analysis of student spirituality (Drs. Barry Wright and Ken MacAulay from the St. Francis Xavier University faculties of Business and Economics), and First Nations treaty and health issues (Michael Stogre, SJ, and Rosella Kinoshameg). I found the discussion on measuring student spirituality the most thought provoking. Our businesslike friends found that students regard other students as "spiritual" when they are *connected* — to self, to others, to nature, and,

## Campus Ministers from Across Canada

*Left to right: Rev. Conrad Edwards (Cape Breton), Sr. Norma McDonald (St. Boniface), Patti-Anne Kay (St. Mary's, Calgary), Sheree Drummond (St. Joseph's, Edmonton), Patricia Cummings (Halifax), Sr. Teresa Mahoney (Brescia College, London), and Rev. Dave Bittner (St. Joseph's, Edmonton).*



most importantly, to God. Our presenters could not contain their elation at the fact that their model of spirituality spelled out S-O-N-G: Self, Others, Nature, God. They are now working on ways to measure, through their S-O-N-G model, students' spirituality after a retreat or after their experience at university. They hope to offer campus ministers an evaluative tool for their own programs.

Other highlights of the conference included a tour of the "re-greened" Sudbury by the architect of the re-forestation, Dr. Keith Winterhalder. Contrary to popular belief, Sudbury today is quite at-

tractive — even beautiful in places. The sacred site of initiation for the local First Nations near the Jesuit *Anishinabe* Centre is a case in point. While there, I enjoyed canoeing for the first time on a Canadian lake, with the experienced guidance of Dave Bittner, CSB from St. Joseph's College, Edmonton. Dave told me I was a natural! I'm already planning an STM/Newman canoe retreat for the coming year.

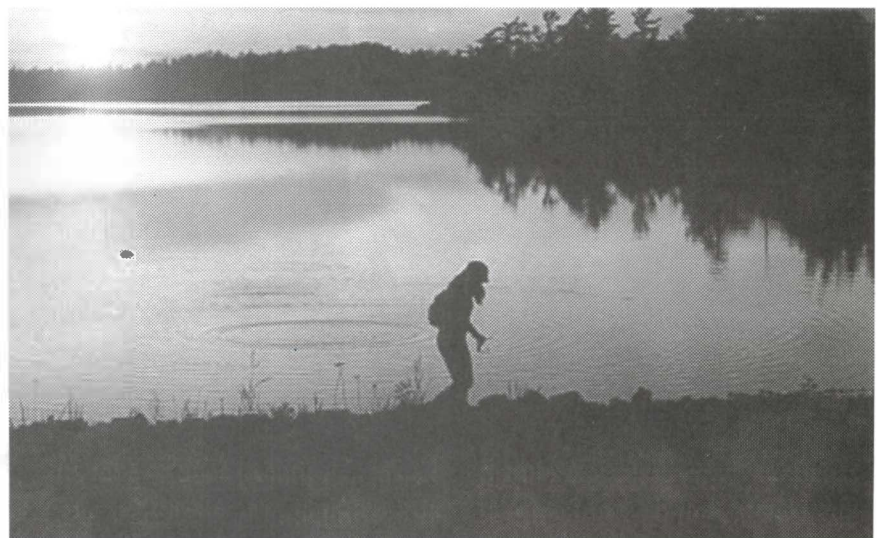
The Canadian Catholic Campus Ministry Annual General Meeting was held on the last working day of the conference. A highlight was the *World Youth Day* presentation by national executive committee

members Larissa Gray and Sebastian Lacroix. All the campus ministers acknowledged the enormity of the WYD undertaking, and survival tips were given by those already experienced in leading student delegations. Most campus ministers are keen to ensure appropriate spiritual preparation and follow-up for the students attending WYD, so as to ensure that the fruits of the experience include a greater sensitivity to service and social justice in their communities.

After a final banquet and talent night, featuring the STM campus ministry team in an inspired version of Prince's "Kiss," a morning eucharistic liturgy brought our experience to a moving close. I feel privileged to have been a part of the conference for a number of reasons, but perhaps mostly for being introduced to a new set of colleagues. There seems to be a new wave of young, theologically literate, and pastorally astute ministers working in our universities. Their presence is going to be extremely positive for our students as they seek role models in leading committed Christian lives.



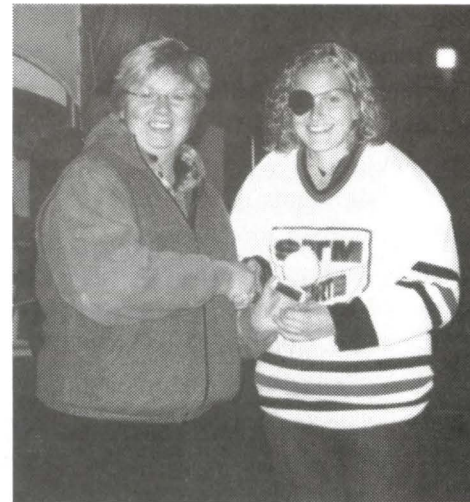
Above: Michael MacLean (middle) with Sheree Drummond and Peter Cote (Concordia).



Sunset at Dreamer's Rock, near the Anishinabe Centre

# THE ANNUAL SAINT THOMAS MORE COLLEGE/ NEWMAN ALUMNI/AE ASSOCIATION GOLF TOURNAMENT

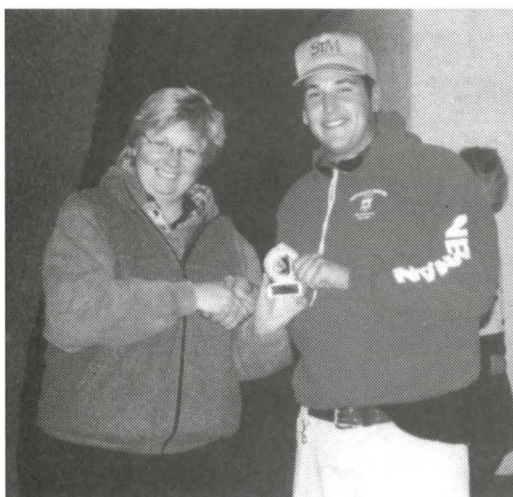
*The tournament was held this year on September 13. A First Year Student Special assured a good turnout, along with prizes for Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin, Best Overall Team, and Worst Overall Team. The latter declined to be photographed with their trophy.*



*The "Closest to the Pin" award went to pirate Erica Merkowsky.*



**AND THE WINNERS ARE —** *Bill Zerebesky, Bishop Basil Filevich, Verla Zerebesky, and Lyle Burkell. Well-known alumna and prize-distributor Elaine Shein is on the right.*



*Elaine awards the prize for the longest drive to Jarod Korall*



*Organizers were pleased to find many more students participating this year*

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## Sask Cuisine 2001



The Sask Cuisine 2001 (cold) and Sask Cuisine 2001 Iron Chef (hot) competitions are sanctioned competitions based on international rules, with two international judges sitting on the judging panel.

We are pleased to announce that the team which included Derek Cotton and Jason Straker of *Choices on Campus* at STM was awarded a Silver Medal as well as the People's Choice Award in the Sask Cuisine 2001 Iron Chef (hot) competition.

We are also pleased to announce that Jason Straker won a Gold medal with high score; Luke Chaisson and Glen Cey each won a Gold medal; and Derek Cotton won a Silver medal in the Sask Cuisine 2001 (cold) competition.

## Mystery Man Revealed

Victor Siroishka writes from Hudson, QC: "This is a picture of my brother John Siroishka playing the bongos with two band buddies at an STM function during the early '50s. John did not attend U of S but went on to a career with the Bay, and recently retired as manager of a Calgary store.



I attended U of S from '48 to '52, graduating with a BSP, then an MBA (Western) and have since retired after about forty years in the pharmaceutical industry as a financial vice president and director. Although I was never an STM student, my connection was through Fr. Kennedy and a philosophy class."

## Our Indefatigable Alumni/ae

have managed to identify some of their peers from the last issue (special thanks to Lois Brockman, who writes, “In speaking with fellow graduates, I think we have been able to identify several of the people in the photographs . . .”)



*“Lunch at Ulcers” (left): the first in line may be Marcelin (MacEachern) Rutherford, the second we do not recognize, the third is Iris Gillis, and the fourth is rightly identified as Peter Dielschneider behind the counter.*

*“Lunch in the White House” (right): going around the table clockwise, my (Lois Brockman’s) back is closest to the camera, to my left is Dorothy (McGinn) Murphy, Stanley Kutz is slightly behind Dorothy, then Kevin Murphy, Marianne Smith, followed by Rosemary Lang, who is leaning forward. Others we could not identify.*



*“In the Library” (above, left to right): Marianne Smith, could be Shirley (Leia) Maranda, unknown, Ron MacDonald, and Blair Barnes.*

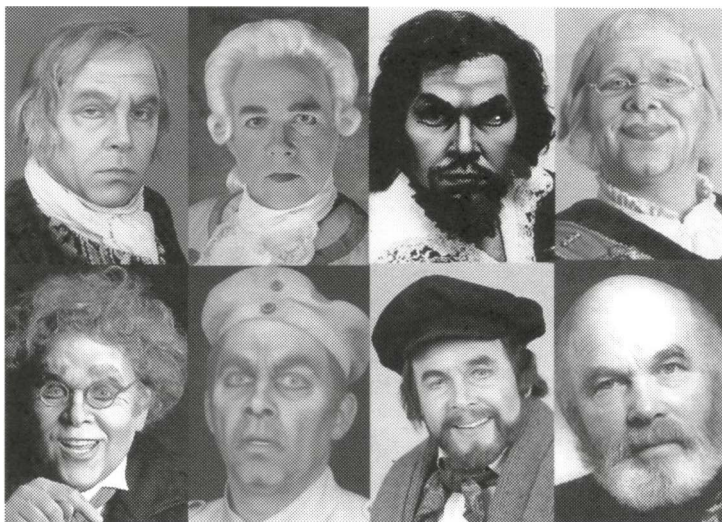
See a friend?  
Let us know!

*“On the Stage” (right): the sixth from the left dressed as a cleric appears to be Blair Barnes.*



St. Thomas More College presents

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Allan Monk*

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<p><i>Sr. Teresita Kambeitz, OSU</i></p>	<p><i>Fr. Mel Fenrich of the campus ministry team</i></p>	<p><i>Alumna, teacher, recording artist: Eileen Laverty</i></p>
<p><i>Judge Tillie Taylor, social activist Dorothy Daoust, and distinguished alumnae Mildred Kerr &amp; Margaret Dutli</i></p>		
<p><i>Newmanites singing at the reunion.</i></p>		

# KEEP IN TOUCH



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