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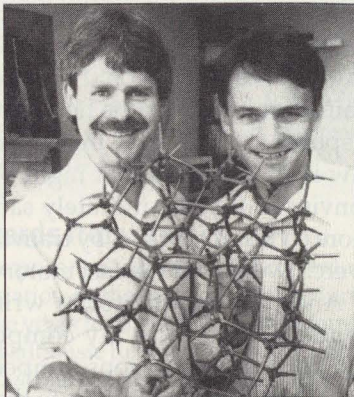
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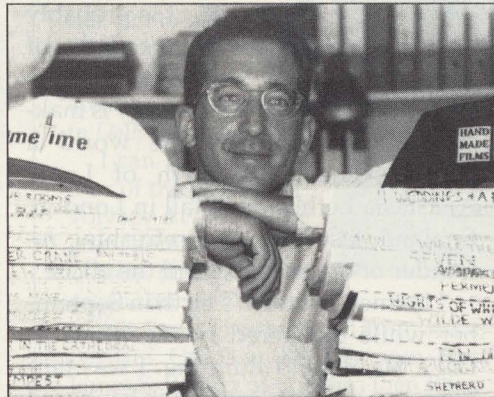
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## E·D·I·T·O·R·S L·E·T·T·E·R



**I**t is probably the cliché of our time: technology is making the world a smaller place. The birth of Laurr Anastasia Lethbridge-Hall in London, England, last fall was a refreshing reminder of the truth behind the cliché.

I learned of Laurr's birth in September while cloistered in my office in Dal's Macdonald Building. I was tapping away at my computer keyboard when an e-mail alert popped up on the screen.

"You'll never guess where I'm writing this from!" penned an elated Gail Lethbridge (MA'96). "My hospital bed at Bristol Maternity Hospital. I gave birth to a little girl. . . My husband brought the laptop in to get me back in touch with the real world – your note was a delicious reminder that I do still have life outside of all this."

Gail and I – who have never met in person – had been working electronically for months, pulling together this issue's cover feature, "Staged and managed in London's West End." Along the way, we e-mailed about her pregnancy. Our goal was to finish the story before Laurr's arrival.

We'd used computer databases to identify potential story sources in England, volleyed countless messages between Halifax and London, swapped ideas about interviews and photo opportunities. We were in contact two or three times weekly. Our electronic working relationship became a cyber-friendship. When a commuter train crashed outside London last August, I zipped a worried note off to a pregnant Gail: she hadn't been on that train, had she?

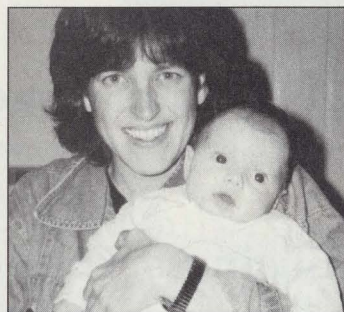
"I was on a train coming out of London at the time of the crash last Thursday, believe it or not! But not the same train, thank god," came her immediate response. "I was a bit freaked when I saw it on the news that night but still convinced that it's infinitely safer and more civilized to travel by train than by overcrowded and too-fast motorways."

And on it went. Stories written in London bounced to my computer in Halifax. Edited versions jumped back across the ocean, oblivious to the thousands of kilometres separating writer and editor. After final edits, Gail and I shared a mildly philosophical goodbye. And we marvelled at the potential of our shrinking world.

"Well, I guess this is it. It's been a pleasure working with you and learning to work online," Gail wrote, perfecting two-handed typing while feeding a seven-week-old baby. "You'd have never thought we were working across the Atlantic . . . The possibilities seem endless, especially when trying to combine career and motherhood."

No doubt they are. And may all life's possibilities be endless for Laurr.

Just a reminder to practise your voting rights. On page 19, you'll find the ballot for 1997 elections to the Dalhousie Alumni Association board of directors. Voting deadline is March 31, so make your mark now. And, while you're at it, drop me a line. This is, after all, your magazine and I welcome your input. Write, call or e-mail, I'd love to hear from you.



**Writer and new mom, Gail Lethbridge (MA'96), with baby Laurr**

*June Davidson*

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

We welcome your letters and encourage you to contact us. The editor reserves the right to restrict length of any submitted materials.

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**Postcards from afar**

My purpose for writing is to express my appreciation to the alumni officers during all these years for having kept me informed about Dalhousie through the alumni magazine, *Dalhousie*. This has always refreshed my memories of Halifax. Please keep up the good work.

Regards to all who make it possible for me to read the magazine.

*Bizeck Jube Phiri (PhD'91)*

*Senior Lecturer and Dean of Student Affairs  
University of Zambia, Lusaka, Zambia*

**Wrestling revisited**

On behalf of the new Dalhousie Wrestling Club, I would like to express my thanks on your excellent coverage and presentation of our club ("Women wrestle into new athletic club," Fall 1996). As I was quoted in the article, 1996-97 is looking like a great season. We will host two events this year. Wrestling was a varsity sport until 1982 or 1983. I have done some research and there are a lot of Dal alumni wrestlers kicking around.

Currently, we are still a Class A sports club, which entitles us to attend the AUAA/CIAs on a very small budget. It is my goal, as we grow each season and increase our

**Name that team**

I thought your office might like to receive this photo of the 1950 Dalhousie Women's Hockey team for your archives or publication in *Dalhousie* magazine.

I can identify only four of the persons involved. At left is the late Thomas "Windy" O'Neil (LLB'50), the coach, an ex-Toronto Maple Leaf. The third girl from left is Barbara Quigley (BA'52), now Mrs. James S. Palmer of Calgary; then Elizabeth Doull (BCom'49), Mrs. G.N. Cleveland of Halifax; and next, Caroline Logan.

I have no idea what became of



Caroline but she was a great Dalhousie character.

*E. Robert Grant (LLB'50)  
Calgary, AB*

*Ed's note: Anyone else able to identify team members? Fill us in and we'll update you next issue.*

exposure and success, that we will be given varsity status. Perhaps some alumni exposure would help also. So, for your article, let me once again thank you.

*Scott Aldridge  
Coach, Dalhousie Wrestling Club*

**Sleep frustration**

In your fall issue of *Dalhousie*, I read the article on sleep disorders. You mentioned a new drug for narcolepsy. I have this disorder and feel very frustrated and angry because people tend to think that the reason you are always falling asleep is because you are either lacking enough sleep or lazy. I now take a drug that keeps me awake while I am working but I have to be very careful

if I am going to drive because I know that I will fall asleep without any warning.

I would like to mention that this sleep disorder must run in families because my brother and his daughter have it.

*Veronica Benoit  
Stephenville, Nfld.*

**Keepers of the spirit**

I am pleased to see Tony and Danny Tam recognized for their substantial contribution to the karate world. I had the good fortune to train with them for over eight years, before moving to Edmonton. The Tam brothers represent the true spirit of karate-do.

*Steve Turner (BA'83, LLB'87)  
via e-mail*

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## Dal/TUNS union moves ahead

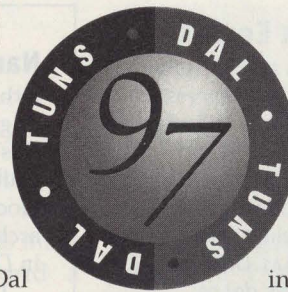
**D**alhousie and the Technical University of Nova Scotia have passed some significant milestones on the road to amalgamation.

Nova Scotia's minister of education, Robbie Harrison, tabled a bill in the legislature late last fall that will merge the two schools. The bill was passed in December.

"Amalgamation will open doors to more students and faculty and position the institutions internationally," said Harrison. "This is an investment in the quality of programs. Nova Scotia must be seen as a centre of excellence not only here but across Canada."

Under the merger, scheduled to take place April 1, TUNS will become a college of Dalhousie. It will have a governing structure to ensure that the college's programs and culture continue to thrive. The boards of TUNS and Dal have approved terms of reference for the new college board which will be responsible to the university board. One of the roles of the college board will be to continue to ensure co-operation with the community, and professional and industry groups served by the college's academic and research missions.

"We have a responsibility and a



need for ensuring that communities that are a part of TUNS continue to have a voice and maintain an interest in what we do," says

Andrew Eisenhauer, chair of TUNS' board of governors. "This includes our students, alumni, professional associations, associated universities and industry partners. Our college board will serve these unique interests within the framework of the larger Dalhousie University community to the benefit of us all."

## Godsoe returns to campus as VP

**N**ovember 1, 1996 – Dale Godsoe's first day as Dalhousie's new vice-president (development and alumni affairs) – felt like *deja vu*, except for one significant difference.



Vice-president Dale Godsoe

(MACCULLOCH)

"When I walked [to the office] this morning, it was such a gorgeous day it reminded me of the first day I came here. It looked just like this. I even remember what I had on," says Godsoe (BA'65, BEd'66, MEd'87), recalling her first day as a student at Dalhousie. "But I'd gone to a different high school than everyone else so I really didn't know very many people. I was terrified out of my mind."

And was she feeling the same way on her first morning as vice-president?

"No, there was no terror this morning," Godsoe laughs. "I was excited about it."

Godsoe, who brings an impressive record of leadership and fund-raising skills, assumes responsibility for Dalhousie's more than 70,000 alumni and the university's development efforts. She says graduates play a role that is "extremely important and becoming increasingly so."

Alumni can serve as "champions" for Dalhousie in many ways – recruiting, orientations, as role models for students, assisting with the transition between education and the work force, and raising awareness of the university across the country and around the world, Godsoe says.

Godsoe has held key leadership roles in the volunteer, higher education and business sectors in Halifax and across Canada.

## Blue alert!

**W**ith the latest addition to Dalhousie's personal security system, campus emergencies may take on an unusual color.

As part of a project dubbed Code Blue, several tall lamps have popped up in what were once some of the darkest areas on campus. Now, in an emergency, the touch of a button will cause a powerful lamp atop a 2.7-metre post to immediately flood the surrounding area with a rotating blue light.

"We wanted something that was really visible, that if you're walking across campus at nighttime by yourself... there's still a way that security can get to you if you're in any trouble," says Katherine Hannah, executive vice-president for the DSU.

The lamps – worth \$10,000 each – are also connected by a phone system link to the campus security office. A locator tells security which emergency light has been activated so that an officer can respond immedi-



(WATSON)

Katherine Hannah, DSU vice-president, and Bill Lord, director of physical plant, celebrate Dal's blue light system

ately. Eight more lights will be installed this winter.

"It's like a phone with a police light on the roof," says Sandy MacDonald, chief of security. "I'm satisfied that Code Blue is one of the most dependable emergency communication systems on the market."

The 15 lamps are being paid for by student fee contributions to Dalhousie's Capital Ideas campaign.

## Dal team works with native communities to combat diabetes

**D**alhousie researchers are working closely with four native communities in Atlantic Canada after early research findings revealed that, in one community, one in four Mi'kmaq people have diabetes.

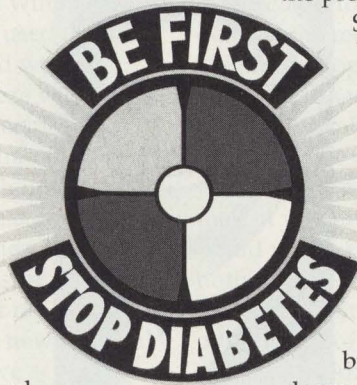
Results from last fall's survey showed that 25 per cent of adults tested in Millbrook, N.S., have diabetes. That's far above the five per cent rate in non-native Canadians. Another 15 per cent of Millbrook residents showed early signs of the disease.

"The results are not surprising to the medical community," says Dr. Sethu Reddy, a principal investigator with the Aboriginal Diabetes Atlantic Study.

The Dalhousie team is also studying Mi'kmaq communities in Eskasoni, N.S., Conne River, Nfld., and the Sheshatshiu Innu Nation in Labrador.

Researchers are now working with the communities to ensure cultural sensitivity, participation in the study and proper treatment of the disease. Community members are being trained

at Dal to conduct clinical surveys. Some have actually returned to school to train for jobs in health sciences as a direct result of the survey, says Jean Abram, the project co-ordinator.



Studies of American native communities have shown a diabetes rate as high as 50 per cent among adults, a situation that developed during the last century.

"These communities did not have a lot of diabetes 100 years ago but with changes in diet, decreases in physical activity and increasing urbanization, they are particularly prone to develop obesity and diabetes," says Reddy. And native people are not the only ones developing the disease.

"Interestingly, immigrants to Canada from India and China are also more likely to develop diabetes here than in their native countries," says Reddy.

The study is funded by a \$500,000 grant from Health and Welfare Canada. Reddy and Dr. Meng Tan (MD'69), both with the faculty of medicine, are principal investigators. — Stuart Watson

## Noteworthy names

• A fourth-year commerce student has won \$5,000 for an essay outlining what she would do if she were Prime Minister of Canada. **Anita Gibbings**, from Swift Current, Sask., was one of 10 student winners in the national contest sponsored



by Magna International Inc. Her prize also includes a summer intern position at Magna.

• **Dr. Chester Stewart** (MD'38), dean emeritus of the medical school, has been honored by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada for outstanding contributions to medical education. Stewart, who received the Duncan Graham Award, is described as a visionary in medical education. He was instrumental in moving medical schools from strictly professional schools to academic institutions with scholarly medical faculty.



Dr. Ken Rockwood

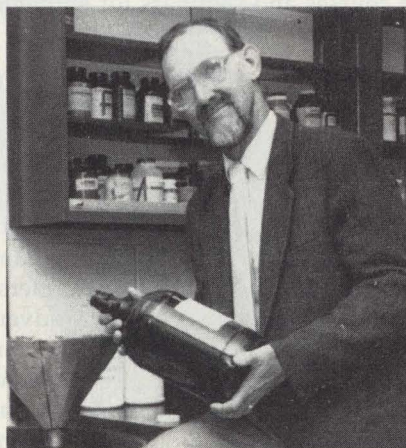
• **Dr. Kenneth Rockwood** has received \$500,000 to study causes of memory loss in old age. Rockwood, a professor in the medical school, will study the link between

brain disease and vascular risk factors such as heart attack, stroke and high blood pressure. The grant was awarded by the Medical Research Council/Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association of Canada.

• Professor emeritus **Donald Betts** (MSc'52) is the first recipient of the Peter Kirkby Medal for outstanding service to physics in Canada. The Canadian Association of Physicists describes Betts as having "served the Canadian physics community with dedication and distinction for over 40 years."

## Chemical exchange program wins award

**W**hat started five years ago as a small in-house chemical exchange at Dalhousie has grown into an award-winning co-operative project that has saved Dalhousie more than \$100,000, and now involves almost 24 research and teaching institutions throughout the Maritimes. Chemex, a program that offers surplus chemicals from one laboratory to other labs at Dalhousie and neighboring institutions, was developed by Bill Louch, director of environmental health and safety. Louch recently received a Quality and Productivity Regional Award from the Canadian Association of University Business Officers for the project.



Bill Louch: co-operative exchange founder

## Teens and sex: lessons in cyberspace

Everything you always wanted to know about sex can now be found, not in Woody Allen's movie, but on a computer screen – the latest venue for sex education geared specifically at teens and organized by Dalhousie's medical school.

The Teen Health Page Web Site – which provides information about such topics as pregnancy, healthy sexuality, sexually transmitted diseases, and homosexuality – made its debut a year ago. Since then, the site has been visited more than 72,000 times.

The site is the only one maintained by a medical school in Canada, says Grace Paterson, medical informatics co-ordinator at the school. Its originality has not gone unnoticed. Last summer, the Teen Health Page gained national attention – it was awarded Microsoft Network's Eye Site of the Week.

Because of its popularity, Paterson says, there are plans to make the page interactive with a question-and-answer format, and on-line evaluations by users.

The site evolved out of a peer education program co-ordinated by Dalhousie's medical school in the early '90s, when med students visited Halifax high school teens to talk about AIDS awareness.

Visit the Teen Health Page at <http://www.mcms.dal.ca/dme/toc/index.html>.

## Downie eager to tackle health law

Turn on the television, open a newspaper, and you'll see them: stories about people affected by health care reform, patients' rights, ethics in medicine. They're stories that grab Jocelyn Downie's attention.

"Every day, you see issues in the paper and they're gripping – they are very personal. Everyone is going to interact with the health care field at some point in their lives," says Downie, the new director of Dalhousie's Health Law Institute.

Preparing students for that interaction is a priority for Downie. As director of Dalhousie's health law institute, maintained by the faculties of dentistry, health professions, law and medicine, she recognizes that students must have a good grasp of health law issues.

"To be a viable institute in the long run, you have to be able to cope with a whole variety of issues because health law keeps changing," says Downie, 34.

Curriculum development is "one of the weakest links at the moment in Canada." Downie hopes to add courses and seminars for students

and medical residents, and expand health law into continuing education for practising health professionals.

So far, students have been enthusiastic about the projected changes.

"They recognize that they will confront these issues in their practices and they want to know how to deal with them, both legally and ethically," says Downie.

The health law institute, one of only two such facilities in Canada, was set up in 1991 to examine issues relating to Canada's aging population. But as the number of questions affecting the health of Canadians expanded, so did the institute's focus. Through education, research, consultation and community outreach, many timely issues are now being studied.

Health law encompasses broad issues like race, gender and sexual abuse. It's often complex and controversial but doesn't intimidate Downie at all.

"The potential for this (health law institute) is phenomenal," she says. "We can't come up with the ultimate

answer that everybody's going to be happy with, but we can indeed find better solutions."



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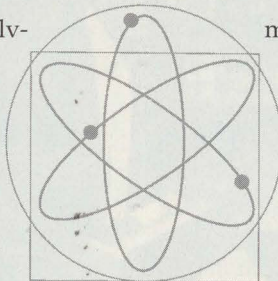
## Net and nuclear plant stretch research dollars, save time

Some folks use the Internet to search library databases. Some download movie reviews or collect recipes. Others, like physics professor David Tindall, use the Net to conduct experiments more efficiently at a nuclear power plant more than 1,000 miles away.

With the Internet, Tindall can conduct and monitor his

experiments, involving neutrons and holmium – a rare earth element, at Chalk River, Ont., without leaving the comfort of his office in the Dunn Building.

By connecting with the computer at Chalk River, operated by Atomic Energy of Canada, Tindall com-



mands large pieces of equipment to do his bidding.

Such telecommuting offers significant advantages for researchers.

With far fewer dollars spent on travel and lodging, Tindall and others like him can squeeze more out of precious research

dollars. For instance, Tindall and his graduate students used to visit the research reactor for two weeks at a time. Now, Tindall and one on-site researcher can set up an experiment, the professor can return to Halifax after a week, then monitor and reprogram his Chalk River equipment from his office at Dal, allowing far more actual research time.



# Chemistry researchers discover new "virtual ice"

Two chemistry researchers at Dalhousie have turned their computers into virtual ice-making machines and, in the process, discovered a new form of frozen water – Ice 12.

That's a scientific breakthrough on its own but Igor Svishchev and Peter Kusalik say it could also lead to ways of developing new solid materials. The pair discovered Ice 12 last winter while working on a project that used computer models of super-cooled water.

"We were trying to freeze water in a computer model, and we achieved that," says Svishchev, a Russian-born scientist who came to Dalhousie five years ago from the National Academy of Science in Moscow. "Then our interest went to high pressure. We used electric fields to extend a branch of possibilities for exploring new physical conditions. That's when we actually found this Ice 12. It was absolutely unexpected."

Alternative ice research is a phenomenon of this century. To most of us, ice is fairly uncomplicated. But during the 1920s, scientists discovered that packing water molecules in different ways would, theoretically, result in new

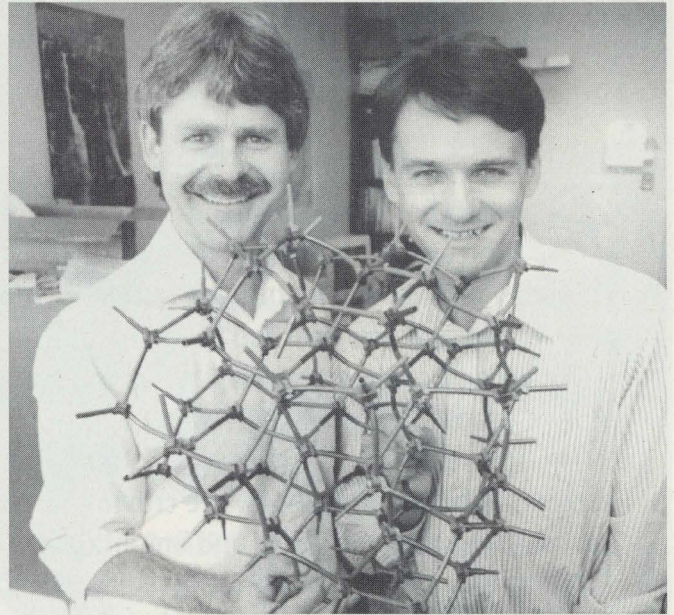
forms of frozen water. Few advances in alternative ice research have been made since that time – until now.

The difference between Ice 12 and regular ice (Ice 1, as it's known to scientists) relates to how densely the molecules are packed together.

"It is the same form of ice physically as Ice 1," Svishchev says. "It will be cold, it will melt, it will produce liquid water, so there's nothing unusual in that sense." But unlike other forms of ice, the chemists predict, Ice 12 can exist at normal atmospheric pressure.

The Dalhousie researchers now hope to actually produce Ice 12 in the lab, a project they are working on with labs in other parts of the world. NASA has also expressed interest in the project.

The computer model of Ice 12 could help identify ice on other planets or in



Ice men: Peter Kusalik (left) and Igor Svishchev

comets. Jupiter, for example, may have naturally occurring high-density ice. Svishchev believes Ice 12 may already exist on Earth, in polar ice caps and under glaciers.

Svishchev is excited by the potential for transferring the methodology that led to Ice 12 to the creation of new solids.

– Stuart Watson

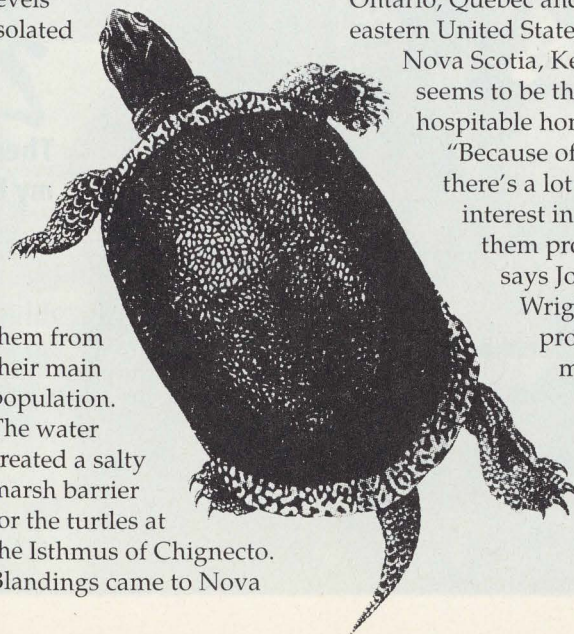
## Ensuring survival of endangered turtle no shell game

It is one of the rarest turtles in Nova Scotia, believed to be a relic from a warmer climatic period. Now, scientists from Dalhousie and Acadia universities are teaming up to study the Blanding turtle in an effort to ensure the endangered reptile doesn't disappear completely from Atlantic Canada.

Only about 130 of the freshwater turtles – easily spotted by their dark grey shell with yellow flecks, bright yellow throat and chin – have been found and counted in Nova Scotia. Most live in Kejimikujik National Park (Keji) in the province's south-central region.

Blandings arrived at Keji some time during the past 5,000 years, after rising sea levels isolated

them from their main population. The water created a salty marsh barrier for the turtles at the Isthmus of Chignecto. Blandings came to Nova



Scotia but could not leave. Other Blanding populations now exist in southern Ontario, Quebec and north-eastern United States. But in Nova Scotia, Kejimikujik seems to be their most hospitable home.

"Because of this, there's a lot of interest in seeing them protected," says Jonathon Wright, professor of molecular biology.

He and other Dalhousie researchers are studying genetic markers to determine the paternity of Keji's Blanding population. That information will help scientists predict whether enough breeding stock exists to ensure the turtles' future survival.

The two-year study will also look at the Blanding's habitat. It is expected to provide valuable genetic and ecological data for managing the rare turtle.

Parks Canada, The World Wildlife Fund of Canada, the Eastern Habitat Joint Venture and Nova Scotia Power Corp. are also funding the project.

– Mary Somers

# Warming up to HOT

**R**emember those long winter afternoons with three hours to kill before your next class? Or those Thursday nights, when studying suddenly became unbearable and you yearned for an escape?

Where on Dalhousie's campus did you hang-out to relieve academic woes and post-teenage angst?

Though students' favorite retreats have changed considerably over the years, the craving for relaxation has always been pervasive and immutable.

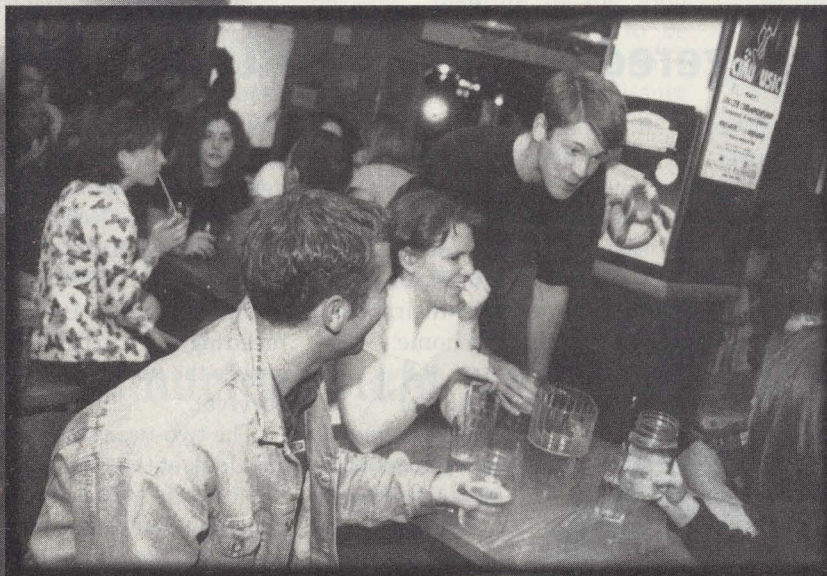
Dalhousie production assistant Katharine Dunn surveyed students to determine their favorite haunts. This purely non-scientific venture reflects the opinions of nearly 50 young men and women on campus.

In no particular order, we present Dalhousie's top five campus hot spots. (And reasons why they made the 1997 'best-of' list.)

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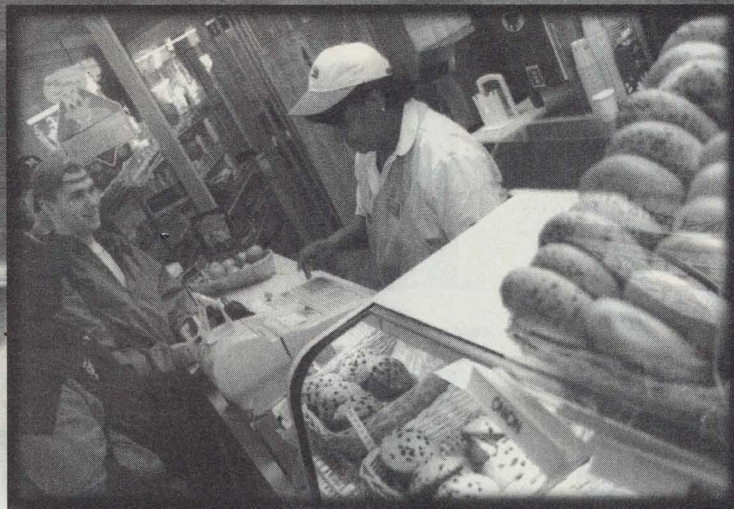


**2 THE CORNER POCKET**  
"I like to shoot pool. There are lots of people there — my friends."



**1 THE GRAWOOD**  
"I have a love/hate relationship with the Grawood: I love it on Thursdays because it is a cheesy pick-up place. But I hate it for the same reason."

# Campus SPOTS



**3** **ROBIN'S DONUTS (MAIN LEVEL, SUB)**  
"Coffee. It's better than down in the SUB. And there's no smoking."



**4** **DALPLEX**  
"I know everybody here – Dalplex is my life."

**5** **THE GRAD HOUSE**  
"It has atmosphere: ugly pictures, mouldy carpet. It's not sterile, it's like a '50s lounge. It has a certain character."



Staged and managed in

# London, West End

Aspiring actors have always flocked to London's theatre district carrying dreams of stardom. These days, the toughest role can be balancing the creative visions with harsh economic realities

by Gail Lethbridge (MA'96)

John Jay (BA'85) is explaining the feast-or-famine nature of an acting career in London's West End when the shrill, high pitch ring of his cellular phone interrupts.

Excusing himself, he reaches into his folio to take the call.

"How much?" he queries the caller. "I see. I'll tell you what, we'll think about it and get back to you."

Jay returns the phone, explaining it was "the hat box lady" with a quote. At £8 (\$18) per box,

he says, she's very expensive. He will probably have to find his boxes elsewhere.

But why is an actor worried about hat box prices?

"It's an idea we're using for a television script we've just written called *The Hat Box Factory*. This (a hat box) is how we're sending the script out to production companies in London." Jay, 33, leans across the table to make his point. "There are hundreds of scripts sent to places like the BBC every day. So another one comes in and they just toss it on the pile. But if it comes in a

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hat box. . .” Then, people may take notice, Jay reasons. The script might be read. Now it makes sense.

In 10 years as an actor in London’s West End and other parts of England, Jay has learned much about surviving and succeeding in the business of drama. There’s far more than auditions, creativity, dramatic expression, memorizing lines and overcoming stage fright. In today’s cut-throat, fiscal world, even aspiring actors must think about marketing, business strategy, diversification, self-

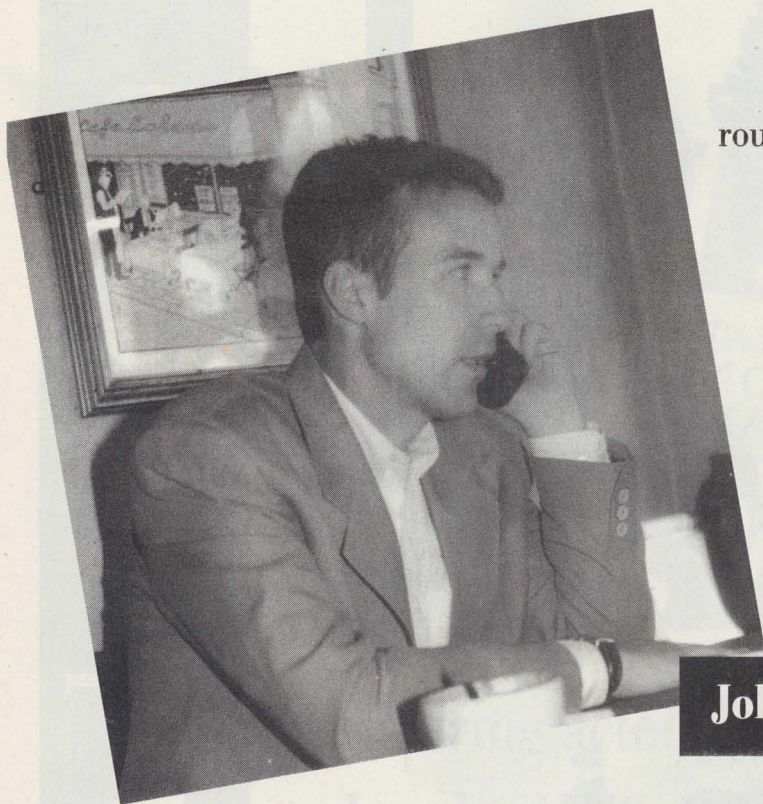
promotion and entrepreneurship.

The daily challenge for Jay, and thousands of others like him, is to discover the perfect balance between the creative muse and economic reality. It’s a tightrope he walks every day.

**T**he noisy Café Bohème is in the heart of London’s West End, an area known affectionately to locals as “Theatreland.” Here, street signs ring of famously familiar names: Charing Cross Road,

“An all-rounder used to be someone who could act, sing, dance.

Today, an all-rounder has to do all of that plus write, direct, produce and make his own work.”



**John Jay (BA'85)**

Shaftesbury Avenue, Drury Lane. Huge marquees, flaunting blockbuster musicals like *Cats*, *Les Miserables* and *Miss Saigon*, rise dramatically above busy streets and jostle for the best spot to entice passers-by. Beneath this glittering, and in some parts seedy, surface is a vast honeycomb of offices, stages and production studios. Armies of actors ply their trade here, auditioning, rehearsing, performing on stage and before the camera, writing scripts, promoting shows and making deals.

In his conservative suit with close cropped hair and folio tucked tidily under his arm, Jay walks into Café Bohème resembling a downtown banker more than a West End actor. But he's just returned from an audition for a commercial and thought the professional look might help his prospects.

Jay, who grew up in Halifax, is comfortably at home in this part of London. This smoky, jazz-infused café has been something of a workshop for him over the past few months. He and writing partner Dan Jemmet created the script and wacky cast of characters behind *The Hat Box Factory* in this corner of Theatreland. Jemmet, a British actor

working in a fringe theatre company, brings his own distinct theatrical perspective to the project. In Jay's mind, the creative chemistry works well.

“Dan and I did a lot of our writing in this café. There's so much life around here, so many characters.” He looks out the window, absorbing the colorful flow along Old Compton Street. “I mean, look at this place. There's theatre, transvestites, guys on roller skates delivering for Ed's diner, homeless people, actors and so many different languages spoken.”

Jay enjoyed the script-writing challenge and hopes his hat box marketing effort will improve the chances of his play finding a spot on stage or screen. But he's also realistic enough to know that the script may not even be read, let alone put into production.

The truth is, in this business as in so many others, there are no guarantees.

Jay's own recent history attests to that. Two years ago, it seemed he could do no wrong. He landed almost every part he auditioned for – a West End play, a film, a television drama, a mini-series. This year has been a different story with many disappointments. It's

demoralizing, Jay says, tramping to audition after audition – cattle calls, as they're known in the business – and hearing nothing back, not even a word as to why you weren't selected for the part. The rejection may have had nothing to do with acting talent. Sometimes, parts are simply written out of the final script, or designed for someone with a 'different look.'

Though he doesn't consider himself a bona fide writer, Jay says the script-writing venture is an attempt to develop, diversify and sell his dramatic talents in a market that's already overcrowded with creative types trying to make a living.

“They used to talk about an all-rounder as someone who could act, sing, dance. But today an all-rounder has to be someone who can do all of that plus write, direct, produce and make his own work. You can't just sit around waiting for auditions any more. It's so hard now because it's so competitive.”

Some actors believe such aggressive marketing compromises their artistic integrity. But when five to 10 people are competing for one part in almost every audition, even the detractors must now use every resource at their disposal to get a fair shake.

**V**alerie Colgan (BA'57) empathizes with struggling West End actors like Jay. From a sunny office on the third floor of the City Literary Institute just off Drury Lane, she steers thousands of adult students through creative training in the performing arts in preparation for a tough job market.

Colgan, whose youthful face belies her 60 years, speaks eloquently about her passion for acting, the theatre and the West End. After more than three decades of living and working here, her eyes still exude excitement when she talks about the creative energy and dramatic talent funnelling through this area.

“I still get excited about living in London,” says Colgan, who grew up in Halifax. “I never get enough of the buildings, the architecture, the streets and little passage ways. But the real reason I love London is the theatre. It hooks me . . . I couldn't live anywhere else in the world.”

As an educator in dramatic arts, Colgan nurtures actors' creative spirits while hardening them against dehumanizing cattle calls and cultivating their passion for performance.

But she isn't naive about the pressures of survival as an actor in the West End, or anywhere else for that matter. During her acting years, Colgan stacked up a long list of credits in films like *Aliens* and *Reds*, and in theatre and radio drama. She's watched the West End theatre scene oscillate between boom times and bust, and actors oscillate between artistic integrity and financial survival.

"Of course, it's a business," says Colgan, who directs the drama, dance and speech department at the school she affectionately calls the City Lit.

"The actor will fail if he can't run himself as a business. But he will also fail if, at the end of the day, he loses the art and the artist within."

Keeping alive the "artist within" is a journey fraught by obstacles every step of the way. Simple mathematics of the job market seem to defy anything but the remotest possibility of making a living as an actor here. With just under 40 mainstage theatres in the greater West End and some 46,000 actors registered with the actors' union, the surplus is obvious. Colgan estimates nine out of 10 are unemployed on any given weekday.

Even more disturbing are recent figures showing an apparent glut of theatre seats. *Variety*, an international entertainment trade magazine, recently reported that the West End could be on the verge of an extended "season of discontent." Several theatres have shut down in the past year, unable to generate sufficient box office returns to stay afloat.

Such news weighs heavily on actors struggling to achieve that balance between meaningful parts and a decent living. But Colgan, who has seen and felt such scares before, says most predictions of doom in the West End are exaggerated. The dramatic arts, she says, have always survived in the face of apparent adversity.

"People have always talked this way. They've always said, 'Oh dear, what's happening in the West End?' But the West End is a vortex of artistic energy and there's always something new happening and there's always work

around the corner."

The real threat to artistic integrity, Colgan says, is cutbacks in funding for dramatic education. With fewer grants available to students, the range of acting talent rising through the ranks is narrowing. Many potential actors cannot afford the dizzying costs of developing their talent. The City Lit still subsidizes students but, increasingly, it is among a minority of schools that do. That means economic imperatives also play a much greater role in students' artistic development as actors.

**P**hilip Alberstat (BSc'85, BA'86) also empathizes with actors struggling to make it in the West End but, as a deal broker, his main priority is putting "bums on seats."

An entertainment lawyer and executive producer, Alberstat, 32, manipulates the business side of the dramatic

equation, working mostly in film production.

His office boasts promotional posters of productions he's worked on, films like *Naked Lunch*, *Patriot Games* and *Back Beat*. Bookshelves bulge with coil-bound scripts he reads in a constant search for new material.

"Reading scripts is my hobby," he says, flipping through one he's just finished. Alberstat claims to read them for fun but, in his mind, he's always assessing the script's potential for production.

Alberstat, who's from Alberta, is known as a co-production specialist. He works outside the Hollywood studio system to find financing, creative talent and new ideas for independent films. Wearing a wire headset with small mouthpiece attached, he works the telephone, stitching together deals involving industry contacts, resources and money from Europe, the United Kingdom, Canada and the United States. His deal-making spans nine



**Valerie Colgan (BA'57)**

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time zones and means lots of late hours at the office. Alberstat recently finished working on a film called *Crimetime* and is now executive producing *Sweet Bananas*, an action road movie set in Iceland. He travels to film festivals in Europe and North America, writes a column in a media trade journal, and recently finished a book about pulling together media deals.

Alberstat's survival challenge is different from that of the actor. He must find the formula for a film that will still work when the piece is released 12 or 18 months after production begins. Executive producers must think ahead. They can't always bargain on what's popular in the present. Science fiction, for example, was the rage in 1996. That doesn't necessarily mean it will top film charts in 1998. Alberstat uses industry indicators and old-fashioned intuition to guide his decisions about productions.

While Alberstat recognizes that acting talent is integral to the success formula, creative talent alone does not make a successful film. The actor, he says, is one piece that must fit into the overall concept for the production – whether film, theatre or television. And that's why getting that coveted break in acting has as much to do with having the right look, and being at the right place at the right time, as it has to do with artistic talent.

"It's sad in a way," Alberstat admits. "You see these people coming into an audition and usually the second they walk on you know they aren't right for the part. Still, they go through the motions. After a while, you get tired of hearing the same lines read. You just say, 'Thank you,' after 30 seconds. You just cut them off and tell them you'll get back to them. It must be so demoralizing for an actor to have that happen."

That's why, as a producer, Alberstat encourages actors like Jay to be aggressive; to market their talents for all they're worth. Alberstat predicts new horizons will open up for actors as the film industry grows increasingly international. Such growth could offer many opportunities for stage actors willing to cross over into screen performance.

Though Alberstat's world seems ruled supreme by the financial bottom line, he, too, finds himself confronting the challenge of balancing the artistic with commercial imperatives.

"I worked on *Richard III* which was nominated for two Academy Awards. It was a critical success but it wasn't a commercial success. You always have to balance these things out. The way I look at it is: for every five films you make, one makes money and that covers the other four."

**B**ack at the Café Bohème, John Jay is explaining a fundamental about life as an actor. "Acting isn't like a lot of other jobs where you start in an office at the bottom and there are promotional prospects. There isn't any of that in acting. Nobody's promising you'll be heading in a West End venue in 10 years time. In fact, nobody's promising you'll have a job in 10 years time."

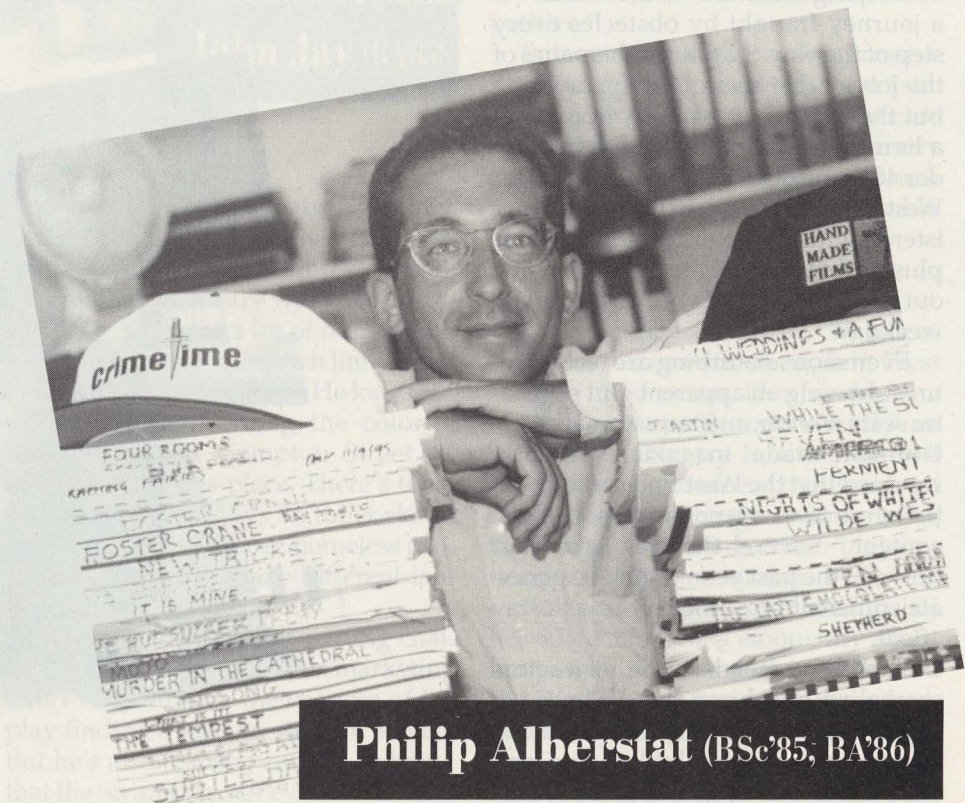
The artist in Jay craves roles that allow him to "use my gifts in a construc-

tive way." Most of his acting roles have allowed him to do that. But the survivor in Jay will do anything within reason to pay the bills, including script-writing, commercials, ushering, working the box office, even telemarketing, if necessary.

"I've got a mortgage," Jay says. "The bank manager doesn't care about my artistic integrity."

A few weeks later, Jay and his partner are busy distributing scripts for *The Hat Box Factory*. They've been receiving positive feedback from several production companies. And Jay's gotten some breaks. He's auditioned for parts in an upcoming play at the National Theatre and for a new Stanley Kubrick film.

If things work out, Jay may have found that elusive balance between the economic and the artistic. But he knows the balance is fleeting. Because, in the business of acting in London's West End, there are no guarantees. ♦

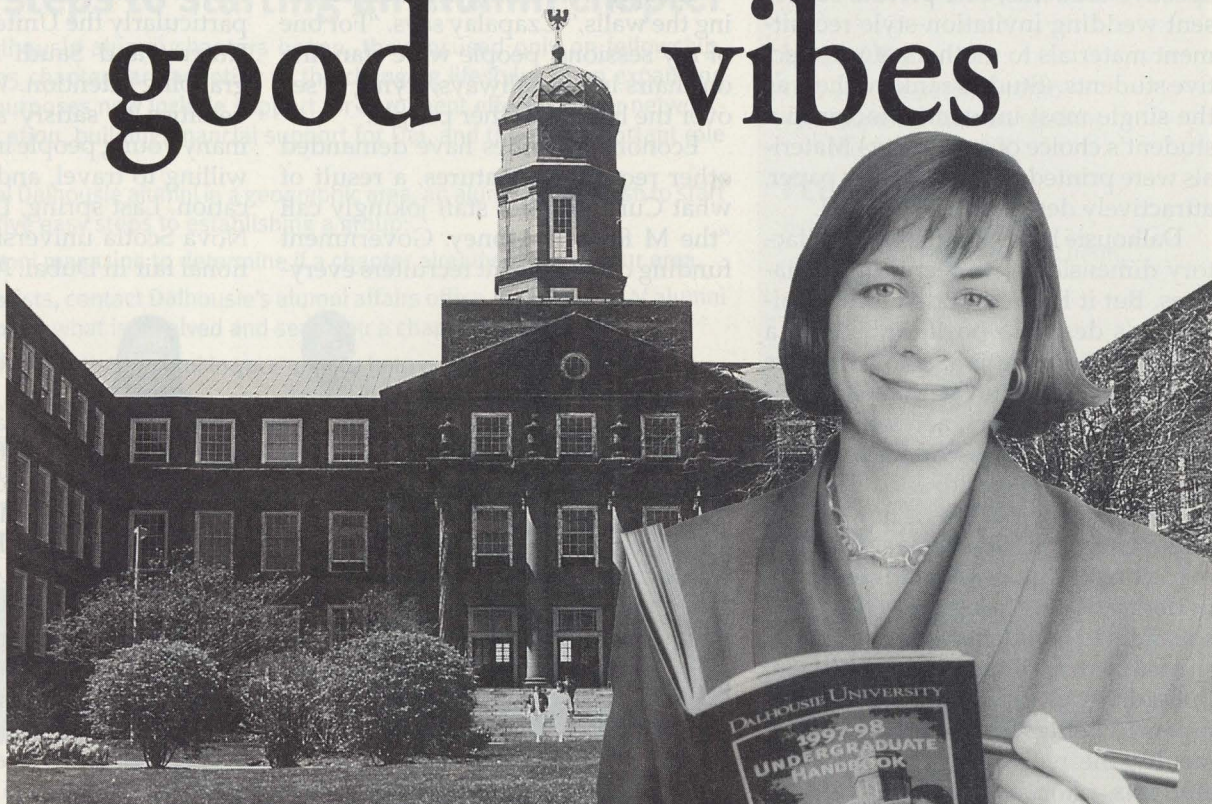


**Philip Alberstat (BSc'85; BA'86)**

**"You always have to balance these things out. The way I look at it is: for every five films you make, one makes money and that covers the other four."**



# Good business, good vibes



**RECRUITING IN THE '90s:**  
from Toronto to Taipei,  
attracting students requires  
money smarts and market sense

**T**here was a time, not so long ago, when the philosophy behind student recruitment was something akin to W.P. Kinsella's in *Shoeless Joe*: "If you build it, they will come."

But in the competitive, dollar-driven '90s, the physical structure that houses a university isn't enough to ensure that students will come. Student recruitment is now pushed by business principles and strategic marketing.

As government funding to universities dropped in recent years, university administrators were forced to seek additional income from tuition fees and other sources. Because of that, post-secondary schooling has become more expensive and students are more selective about where they spend education dollars.

"Students are making more informed decisions," says Ava Czapalay (MEd'95), Dalhousie's assistant registrar. "They don't automatically choose Dalhousie because they live in the metro area. So we can't afford to rest and just let them

look. We want to highlight material and say, 'This is what we have to offer. Here is what makes us different.'"

Others are doing the same.

Consider Lakehead University in Thunder Bay where recruiters enticed high school students to visit campus with special airline deals that included reduced fares, an attractive ski package and a campus tour. Unable to compete directly with the cluster of urban universities some 1,500 kilometres away in southern Ontario, Lakehead hopes Thunder Bay's natural beauty will draw students seeking an alternative to a city education.

Even the University of Toronto, smack in the middle of that urban throng, is seeking students in new ways. Recruiters there established the Ontario Biology Competition. Students pay \$5 to write a biology exam, organized and administered by the university. Cash rewards and scholarships for top finishers range from \$75 to \$500. The project lets the university market its biology program and woo the bright-

(ASSISTANT REGISTRAR AVA CZAPALAY, ABRIEL PHOTO)

est student prospects. In the last two years, more than 6,000 young people from 300 high schools took part.

In the United States, where colleges and universities have long courted prospective students, one private school sent wedding invitation-style recruitment materials to mothers of prospective students. (Studies rank mothers as the single most influential factor in a student's choice of university.) Materials were printed on high-quality paper, attractively designed and scented.

Dalhousie has not explored an olfactory dimension with recruiting initiatives. But it has responded to the university's desire to position itself as a world-class institution. And recruiters recognize that cash-conscious students are smart consumers, accessing information about post-secondary institutions around the world.

The quest for students is now a year-round effort. Recruiters travel the globe marketing the university. Admission to undergraduate programs is now streamlined – students receive quick response to an application for admission. But contact does not end with an acceptance. Letters from faculty, the registrar, students, phone calls and information sessions follow.

The efforts are paying off.

For example, Dalhousie now attracts about 1,000 young people – 20 per cent of its incoming student body – from Ontario. A decade ago, that figure was only about two per cent. That's a significant change, says registrar Gudrun Curri.

"It struck me when I first came here that we wanted to be an international and national institution but most of our students came from the Maritimes," says Curri, who has led Dal's recruiting effort for the past decade. "If you want to be national or international, then your student body should reflect that. Based on that, we decided to target other specific markets. In my first year, we hit 33 schools in Toronto." At the same time, Curri pushed to raise Dalhousie's academic admission standards to draw better students.

Last year, recruiters travelled to 206 schools in Canada. Over 15,000 students heard the Dal pitch.

Dalhousie's popularity is growing with the increased exposure. More than 200 people attended an information session at a private school in Toronto one evening last fall.

"People were sitting in the aisles, lining the walls," Czapalay says. "For one of my sessions, people were standing on chairs in the hallways, trying to see over the heads of other people."

Economic realities have demanded other recruiting ventures, a result of what Curri and her staff jokingly call "the M factor." Money. Government funding cutbacks sent recruiters every-



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**We want to say, 'This is what we have to offer. This is what makes us different.'**

where scurrying, seeking foreign students whose differential tuition fees – often an extra \$2,700 per student per year – could boost university coffers.

In the past two years, Dalhousie recruiters have been inching into the New England states. But though an education is less expensive in Canada, the United States market remains tough to crack.

"You could study here – even with differential fees – and your total year would cost just as much as tuition fees alone in the U.S.," says Curri. "The trouble is, in Boston alone, there are 70 post-secondary institutions. I mean, all of Canada has 70. To break into that market – it's a very long-term thing."

The provincial government also recognizes education's potential as an export commodity. The province is paying much of the production cost of a

CD-ROM promoting Nova Scotia and its universities. The CD-ROM is being sent to high schools throughout the U.S. and Canada.

Recruiters are not stopping with North America. The Middle East – particularly the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia – is also grabbing attention. With too few universities to satisfy student demand, many young people in the Mid-East are willing to travel, and pay, for an education. Last spring, Dal joined several Nova Scotia universities at an educational fair in Dubai. Again, the provincial government covered much of the bill.

Looking ahead, Curri says the U.S. (especially New England), the Middle East, India, South America and the Caribbean are all possible recruitment sites. As with all foreign markets, recruiters are turning to

alumni for help. And in many cases, alumni chapters are providing assistance.

"We need our alumni – those involved in programs or research projects – to open some doors for us. We need a hook to hang our hat on. If we just go cold, it's impossible," says Curri.

Marketing smarts and business zeal count for much in student recruitment these days. But they don't count for everything. A student's final decision sometimes still derives from something much simpler.

"I'd heard good things from everyone who ever heard anything about Dal," says Jordy Koffman, a first-year science student. The 19-year-old finished high school in Toronto with a 97 per cent average and hefty scholarship offers from four universities. "The people here were just definitely more pleasant to deal with. And that just made a good vibe."

Good vibes. Good business. Welcome to student recruiting: '90s style. ♦

– J.D.

# 5 easy steps to starting an alumni chapter

When Dalhousie alumni chapters began, they focused only on fellowship. Today, Dalhousie's 25 chapters are adapting to the changing lifestyles of an expanding alumni body. Their purposes now include support for enrolment efforts, career networking, continuing education, building financial support for Dal, and the still important role of fellowship.

If there are several Dalhousie alumni in a geographic area, an alumnus may wish to start a chapter. Here are five easy steps to establishing a group:

1. Check the alumni magazine to determine if a chapter already exists in your area.
2. If no chapter exists, contact Dalhousie's alumni affairs office. The director of alumni affairs will explain what is involved and send you a chapter manual.
3. You will require five other alumni in your area to help organize the chapter.
4. The group serves as an interim executive, develops by-laws and a schedule of events.
5. By-laws will be reviewed by the director of alumni affairs and submitted to the alumni association board of directors' by-laws committee for approval.

Chapters can be established in any location that is home to 10 or more alumni who share a common interest in Dalhousie. For more information, e-mail [mgray@kilcom1.ucis.dal.ca](mailto:mgray@kilcom1.ucis.dal.ca).



St. John's chapter: pub night



Sydney, Cape Breton, chapter: basketball teams luncheon

## CALENDAR

### JANUARY

- TBA Skating party, Toronto
- 19 Women's division student musicale, Halifax

### FEBRUARY

- 8 Chili on Ice, Halifax
- Nursing AGM and luncheon, Halifax

### MARCH

- 11 Board of directors' meeting, SUB
- 14-16 AUAA men's basketball reception
- 21-23 CIAU men's basketball reception
- 23 All-Canadian universities Pan-alumni skate, Calgary

### APRIL

- TBA All-Canadian university night, Washington
- 8 Board of directors' meeting, SUB
- 26 Annual Dinner (Guest speaker Sir Graham Day), Toronto

### MAY

- 1 Alumni Association Annual Dinner, Halifax
- 30 Lobster Dinner and AGM, Calgary

### JUNE

- 10 Alumni Association AGM, Halifax

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am writing this just after Homecoming Weekend. Some of you may have attended only one Homecoming event. Others may not have been able to return to campus at all. As one who took part in nine Homecoming activities, I assure you there was much activity on campus – from research presentations, to a Student Alumni Association fun-run, to dinners and dances.

It was enjoyable to welcome those celebrating 50-, 60- and 70-year graduation anniversaries. Katherine (Vickery) Kay (BA'26) was honored with a 70-year graduation plaque. (See photo p.18)

Alumni chapters continue to hold special events. I hope as many people as possible participate in these events. Thanks to those who held chapter send-offs for

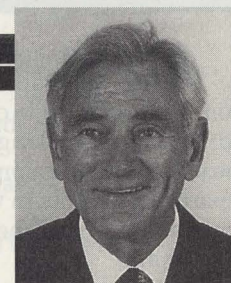
new students. These first-time Dalhousians are enjoyable and appreciate talking with those who have gone before them.

I encourage you to join me in thanking the many alumni, students, faculty and staff who volunteer to participate in the annual phone-a-thon. When you receive a call, it only takes a minute to have a brief chat with the caller. Your attention means much to those who give up many evenings to participate in this fund-raising event. Such calls also give you an opportunity to relate news you might like included in Class Notes.

The alumni board of directors was saddened by the sudden death of one of our directors, Dr. Terry Ingham (DDS'62). Terry was an alumni volunteer for many

years. He was a regular phone-a-thon caller. He served on the dentistry division for many years. Our sympathy goes to Betty and sons, David, Kevin and Andrew. All three are Dalhousie alumni.

Finally, thanks to all who help enhance our alumni, university and student life, particularly to Marian Gray, director of alumni affairs (acting).



*Frank Lovely*

Dr. Frank Lovely, President Alumni Association

# Setting up in Sydney, C.B.

When you first meet businessman Harvey Webber (LLB'36), you wonder why someone who already volunteers so much to his community would want to take on another task: that of forming an alumni chapter in his hometown of Sydney, N.S.

But for Webber, the answer is simple.

"Dalhousie shaped my life and I want to give something back."

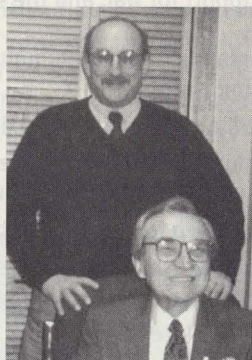
Webber epitomizes the "ask a busy person to do a job and it will get done" credo but his Dalhousie commitment goes deeper. He talks enthusiastically about his first law school lecture and how he anticipates returning each year to campus. That nostalgia motivated Webber to organize an alumni chapter.

Last summer, Webber gathered together a group of Dalhousie alumni as a steering committee for the Cape Breton chapter. At the time, Webber asked each person why he'd shown up - a seemingly strange question coming from the person who'd issued the invitations. But with each reply, it was clear that everyone felt Dalhousie had contributed to their success, had helped shape their lives, and they wanted to give back to the institution and the students who followed.

With that commitment, Webber agreed to chair the chapter if others would volunteer as committee chairs. Brendon Yazer (BA'68) organized the first event - a student send-off party. Both organizers strongly believe the Cape Breton chapter should benefit students, alumni and Dalhousie. As they plan future events, they keep that in mind. They also want to draw on the experience of other established alumni chapters, while embarking on their own new ideas.

Last fall, the group became the first chapter to host a luncheon for Dalhousie's men's and women's basketball teams. That's not so unusual, perhaps, but they also invited more than 100 high school students to meet the team and cheer them at an evening game against U.C.C.B. Behind the obvious social time, the event encouraged future university students to attend Dalhousie. A representative from the registrar's office was also invited to answer any questions the high school students might pose.

Both the men's and women's basketball teams, by the way, won their games. "It must have been the lunch," Yazer jokes. - MYG



Harvey Webber (seated) and Brendon Yazer

## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S CHAIR

Alumni are active and busy keeping the Dalhousie spirit alive. From Homecoming to chapter receptions, individuals are making a difference. Dalhousie's student union and the athletics department were both very supportive of Homecoming 1996. The result was a good time for all.



Homecoming '96: Katherine Kay (BA'26) is congratulated by Dale Godsoe, vice-president, and Tom Traves, Dalhousie president

Last fall, the St. John's chapter hosted a reception in November at Ben's,

their regular spot. The Yarmouth chapter hosted its first event, a holiday reception, in December. Ottawa continued its tradition of holding a December holiday event.

Charlottetown is now organizing a chapter, thanks to Charlie Ballem. Karen Cormier is working with alumni in Fredericton to get that area up-and-running. I thank all our volunteers for their hard work and dedication.

Finally, we hope to continue to enhance the services we provide to you, our alumni. Look for new services and products early this year.

A very happy new year to all!

*Marian Yogis Gray*

Marian Yogis Gray  
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# Alumni Election

Each year the Dalhousie alumni community is presented with volunteers who are willing to let their names stand for election and, if chosen, to work on your behalf during their term of office. Please read the following candidate profiles. Then mark your ballot and return it to the Alumni Office by March 31.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### Doran Donovan (BCom '90, MBA'94)



is a financial consultant with CIBC Wood Gundy in Halifax. He is a board member of the Dalhousie Black & Gold Club and an enthusiastic supporter of varsity athletics. Doran was actively involved as a Dal student. He worked full-time from 1991-93 in Dalhousie administration, serving on a number of university committees during that time. He has been involved with fund-raising for the IWK, Metro Food Bank and Christmas Daddies. "I hope to add in some small way to the strength of the Dalhousie Alumni Association."

strategic planning, serves on several education and professional committees, and is involved in several community organizations, including Junior League, Halifax Women's Network, the YWCA and the Dalhousie education alumni. "As an alumnus of Dalhousie, I am very interested in doing what I can to maintain a strong alumni association."

### Linda Bradley Frank (BA'77, MPA'96)



is employed by the Department of Canadian Heritage, Parks Canada, as business services manager at the Halifax Citadel National Historic Site. She manages marketing, special events, public relations, facility rentals and corporate services for the Citadel and four other national historic sites in the Halifax area. She is the Citadel's representative on various cultural/tourism committees. "I want to be an active participant in the life of Dalhousie University and keep in touch with the academic community."

is vice-principal at St. Stephen's School in Halifax. She is active in the local school board's

### Maia Erjavec (BA'76, MEd '85)



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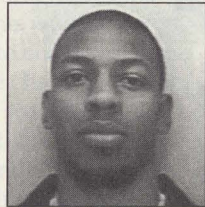
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**Ellen Jost (MD'85)** is a family physician in Halifax. She is interested in palliative care and shares her knowledge with the Family Medicine Teaching Inpatient Unit of the QEII Health Sciences



Centre. She enjoys time with family, reading, cooking and travel. "I would like to become an alumni board member to 'give a little bit back' and to help in further enhancing Dalhousie's reputation here and abroad."

**Shawn Mantley (BRec'94)** is a front desk supervisor with the Halifax Regional Library. He coaches three basketball teams, lifts weights, reads, mentors children and plays basketball. He



was a point guard with the Tigers from 1989-94. "This would be a great opportunity for me, a former student-athlete at Dalhousie, to stay in touch with the present and future activities at the university."

**Kellie Nicolle (BCom'91)** is program manager of Junior Achievement, Mainland Nova Scotia. She enjoys reading, music, crafts, visiting friends and family, and volunteers at the IWK



Hospital. While at Dalhousie, Kellie took part in residence activities, was involved in Orientation Week, Winter Carnival and worked at Dalplex. "I look forward to the opportunity to contribute to the education of those students currently attending Dalhousie."

**Judi Rice (BPE'75)** recently completed a contract with Field Hockey Canada in Ottawa. A former varsity athlete in field hockey and basketball, she is president of the Dalhousie Black and Gold Club



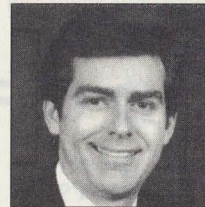
and a member of the President's Advisory Council on Athletics. Judi was a 1995 inductee into the Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame.

**Daniel Tam (BSc'80, DDS'85)** is a Halifax dentist who also worked in Ottawa and taught at Holland College in PEI. He instructs and practises karate at



local, national and international levels with the Japan Karate Association. A percussionist, he has played with various groups, including the Scotia Wind Ensemble and the Dalhousie Concert Band. He is a member of the Dalhousie Alumni Association board of directors (1996-97). "I hope to support and expand Dalhousie's leadership role at the provincial, national and international levels by increasing the university's community presence."

**Bruce Towler (BCom'83)** is an investment executive with ScotiaMcLeod in Halifax and a director of the Dalhousie alumni board. He has been involved in



many volunteer organizations, including the Halifax Help Line, Phoenix House and the IWK-Grace Maternity Hospital Foundation. "I look forward to the opportunity to continue to serve Dalhousie's alumni."

**Jim Tree (BSc'88)** is employed by Hill's Pet Nutrition, a division of Colgate Palmolive. He is account manager for the Atlantic Canada region.



Before joining Hill's, he worked as a pharmaceutical sales representative with the Upjohn Company of Canada. During his final year at Dalhousie, he was employed as a residence assistant at Howe Hall. He resides in Dartmouth with his wife Janet (BScPT'93) and their son. "I see this as a great opportunity to serve my alma mater."

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**'48** Donald G. Woodside, BSc, DDS'52, previously chairman of the orthodontic department at the University of Toronto, was named a member of the Order of Canada in 1996.

**'51** George Bate, MD, of Saint John, N.B., received the Dr. Garfield Moffatt Medal from the New Brunswick Medical Society.

**'61** David Mann, QC, BCom, LLB'65, of Halifax, was appointed president and chief executive officer of Nova Scotia Power Inc.

**'63** Rabbi Herman Cohen, BA, and his wife, Rhoda, live in East Brunswick, N.J. Their son, Neil Avram, married Sherry Marcus of Brooklyn, N.Y., last June in New York. Their daughter, Rina, graduated last May with a master's in Jewish education from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America in New York.

LeRoy P.M. Heffernan, MD, was appointed chairman of the department of medicine, King Fahad National Guard Hospital, in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

Byron Sarson, DPharm, BSc(Pharm)'64, of Bedford, N.S., is president of the Pharmacy Examining Board of Canada.

**'64** David L. George, PEng, DEng, BEng(TUNS), MBA(U of T), married Eileen Foster on Sept. 14, 1996. They live in Mississauga. David is general manager of Pursley 2000 Inc. in Brampton, Ont.

**'65** David A. Jones, BA(Hon)(K), MA'67, PhD(philosophy)'96(Simon Fraser), is on the faculty of Capilano College, North Vancouver.

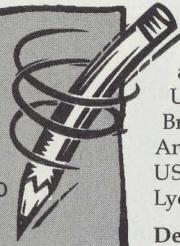
**'66** Marty Frank, BA(Hon), BEd'67, married Anne Clavir on Aug. 11, 1996. Marty is a property and casualty specialist with The Prudential in Oakville, Ont.

**'67** Allen M. Ruben, QC, BCom,

## Got something to tell us?

Send your news to Class Notes Editor, Alumni Office, Dalhousie University, Halifax, N.S. B3H 3J5; (902) 494-6971; fax (902) 494-6900 e-mail: Nancy.Faulkner@dal.ca Please include updated home and business addresses.

**Deadline for submissions is March 4.**



LLB'70(UNB), senior partner with the firm, Ruben & Kingston, in Fredericton, N.B., was appointed honorary consul of Sweden for the provinces of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island.

**'70** Scott Swinden, BSc(Hon), moved from St. John's, Nfld., to Halifax in January 1996. He is director of the mineral and energy resources division at the N.S. Department of Natural Resources.

**'73** D. Barry Carruthers, MD, of Delta, B.C., successfully completed the requirements for certification by the Canadian Board of Occupational Medicine. He is a medical adviser, medical services/occupational diseases, with the Workers' Compensation Board of B.C. His four sons are ages 7, 9, 20 and 22.

Glenn Davidson, BA(K), and his wife, Petra, announce the birth of their daughter, Eleanor, born Jan. 28, 1996, in Victoria, B.C. Captain(N) Davidson completed a three-year assignment as military attache in Tokyo in July 1995 and was posted to Esquimalt, B.C., as commander of Maritime Operations Group Two until August 1996. He is now attending a French language course at CFB Esquimalt.

Rick Hand, BA, BSc'83, is in his fourth year of operating a wine/beer/kombucha supplies and mail order business in Halifax, Maritime Brew & Wine Making Supplies Ltd. He invites Dal grads to visit in person or by internet at: <http://www.ktea.com/kombucha>.

**'74** Bruce F. Evans, BCom, MBA'78, was appointed to the policy advisory board, Fisher Center for Real Estate and Urban Economics

at Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley. Bruce and his wife, Donna, live in Los Angeles, where he is head of Western US real estate finance for Credit Lyonnais.

Debora MacKenzie, BSc(Hon), MS'80 (Purdue), and James Howard, BA'86 (Sussex), announce the birth of their daughter, Rebecca, born in April 1996, a sister for Jessica, born October 1994. They live in Brussels, Belgium. Debbie is European editor of New Scientist, a British science magazine.

Paul A. Nau, MA, PhD'80, was appointed senior director of rehabilitation services at Bancroft, a private, non-profit corporation in Haddonfield, N.J., serving adults and children with developmental disabilities and brain injury. He and his wife, Luanna, have two sons, George, 4, and Charles, 2.

**'75** Jim Mason, BSc, was transferred with Royal Bank as district manager, human resources, for Atlantic Canada. He and his wife, Gillian (Cunningham) Mason, BPE'76, live in Bedford, N.S.

**'76** Sharon Findlay, BA(Hon), BEd'85 (SMU), married Leonard MacPhee in Shubenacadie, N.S., on Aug. 17, 1996. They live in North Salem, N.S. Sharon is communications officer for the N.S. School Boards Association and Leonard is a contractor in the Shubenacadie area.

Larry R. Gilroy, BA, MA Adult Education'96 (UNB), is a police officer in Moncton, N.B. He lives in Riverview with his wife, Karin Pollabauer-Gilroy, BSc Home Econ'78 (MSVU), and their sons, Mark, 15, and Christopher, 13.

Leonard Lee-White, BSc, DEng, and Jodi announce the birth of their daughter, Nina Claire, born June 5, 1996, a sister for Alec. They live in Fredericton, N.B.

**'77** Cathy (Carruthers) Dalziel, BA, LLB'80, joined the Dartmouth firm, Boyne Clarke, as a partner.

Donald B. McDonah, BSc, MD'81, is practising family medicine and palliative care at the Saint Joseph Family Medicine Centres in Nashua, N.H.

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**'78** William Clancey, is director of district operations with the N.S. Department of Justice.

**Roger B. Langille, QC, LLB**, is senior counsel in the P.E.I. attorney general's office.

**Mark J. Surette, BCom, MBA'80(SMU)**, and his wife, Angela (Landry) Surette, BPR'90 (MSVU), announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Allison Catherine, born July 21, 1996. Mark is president of The Robertson-Surette Group of Companies in Halifax.

**'79** Thomas F. Beasley, LLB, and his wife, Vicki Donoghue, announce the birth of their son, Frederick Arthur, Sept. 26, 1996, a brother for Alexander, 3. They live in Vancouver.

**Mary-Ellen (Morrow) Costello, BA**, and **Michael Costello, MBA'80**, announce the birth of their son, William Stephen, born July 31, 1996. They live in Moncton, N.B. Mike is general manager of customer service for NB Tel and Mary-Ellen is purchasing manager for the Southeast Health Care Corporation.

**Jennifer (Shaw) Friesen, CA, BCom**, and Ron Friesen, CA, announce the birth of their first child, Charles Bayne, born Feb. 6, 1996. Jennifer is studying law at the University of Toronto.

**Mark Gilbert, MBA, PhD** in management'96(Bradford), is chief executive officer of the N.S. Municipal Finance Corporation.

**Dr. Cathy Johnston, BSc, MD'84, PostGrad Med'85**, and **Dr. Graeme Stewart, MD'83**, announce the birth of their son, Liam, born Mar. 5, 1996. They live in Dartmouth.

**'80** David Scott, BSc(Pharm), and Deanna Hawkins-Scott, BBA'82(UNB), LLB'85(UNB), announce the birth of their daughter, Christina, Dec. 19, 1995, a sister for Joseph, 10, Elizabeth, 8, Rebecca, 5, and Rachel, 2. David has a Shoppers Drug Mart franchise in Cole Harbour, N.S. They live in Porters Lake.

**'81** Thomas DeWolf, BEd, was transferred to Amsterdam with his wife, Maryke, and three children, Katie, 8, Mark, 6, and Michael, 3. Thomas is managing director of Union Chase Netherlands B.V., headquarters of Union Chase Group.

**Joni Guptill, MD**, married Dale Fox on Sept. 21, 1996, in Wolfville, N.S. She spent one month last summer in South-East China working with Doctors Without Borders studying how floods affected local inhabitants in Zhejiang province.

**Ann Maher, BCom**, and **Steven Weary, BEd'93**, were married in Glen Mountain, Que., on Oct. 12, 1996.

**Ann (Russell) Petropolis, BSc, BScHC'82**, and **Chris Petropolis, BSc, DDS'86**, announce the



birth of their third child, a son, Zachary Peter, born Sept. 12, 1996, a brother for Arielle, 4, and Theodore, 2. They live in Bedford, N.S.

**Bert Visser**, BA, LLB'84, has taken a two-year leave of absence from the P.E.I. Crown Attorney's Office to join Wycliffe Bible Translators. He is living in Dallas for one year.

'82 **Colin Hames**, BCom(Hon), MBA'83, LLB'87, was appointed managing director of Continental Trust Corporation Ltd. in Bermuda.

**Joey Tsao**, BPE, MSA'84(Ohio), has accepted a position as executive director of Hampton Coliseum in Hampton, Va.

**Peggy (Jensen) Zorychta**, BSc, and **Donald Zorychta**, BSc'83, announce the birth of their daughter, Jana Barbara, Aug. 24, 1996, a sister for John and David. They live in Dartmouth.

'83 **Susan A. Burris**, PEng, DEng, BEng'86(TUNS), married John R. Stone in Dartmouth on June 23, 1996. They live in Courtice, Ont., where Susan is a senior manager with General Motors of Canada Ltd.

**Carol Earle**, BN, married Dave Anderson, of Edmonton, in Wetaskiwin, Alta., on June 1, 1996. They live in Yellowknife, N.W.T., where Carol is director, patient care services, at Stanton Regional Hospital.

**J. Scott Kenney**, BA(K), BAHC'84(K), LLB'87, MA'93(McMaster), married Sylvia Vanessa Brown on Aug. 24, 1996. Scott is working on his PhD in sociology at McMaster.

**Krista (Josey) Longard**, BSc, BEd'84, MEd'91, and **Gary Longard**, BRec, announce the birth of their daughter, Hanna Marie, born June 3, 1996, a sister for Isaac James, born Aug. 21, 1993. They live in Mahone Bay, N.S.

**Wendy MacGregor Stordy**, BA, LLB'87, and **Larry Stordy**, LLB'84, MBA'84, announce the birth of their son, William John, born Jan. 26, 1996, a sister for Hannah Margaret, born May 4, 1994. Larry is a partner at Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales in Halifax. Wendy is at home with the children.

'84 **Cyril Daddieh**, PhD, is a political science professor at Salisbury State University in Maryland. He completed a Rotary International teaching ambassadorship in west Africa, at the University of Ghana, Legon's Centre for International Affairs.

**Dawna N. DeAdder**, BN(post RN), MSN'91 (UBC), married Fenn Pretty on July 20, 1996. They live in North Vancouver, B.C. Dawna is on faculty at the Kwantlen University College School of Nursing.

**Laura (Allen) Dickey**, BSc, and John announce the birth of Timothy John, Sept. 12, 1996, a brother for Rebecca. They live in Halifax.

## Spirit to succeed

The air was thick with tension and reeked of chlorine in the sweltering Atlanta heat. For eight Paralympic swimmers anticipating the upcoming final, these moments were among the most important in their athletic careers.

Andrew Haley (BCom'96) sat undaunted awaiting his event final. But the heavy silence was too much for him.

"Anyone seen any good movies lately?" he blurted. With that, some of the world's best physically disabled swimmers broke into spontaneous laughter, easing the pre-race pressure.

It's this unwavering spirit and confidence that have made Haley, a veteran of international competitive swimming, such a success in the pool.

Counting two bronze medals collected at last summer's Paralympic Games in Georgia, Haley, 23, has snagged seven medals in international competition over the last six years.

But the rewards have not always come easily.

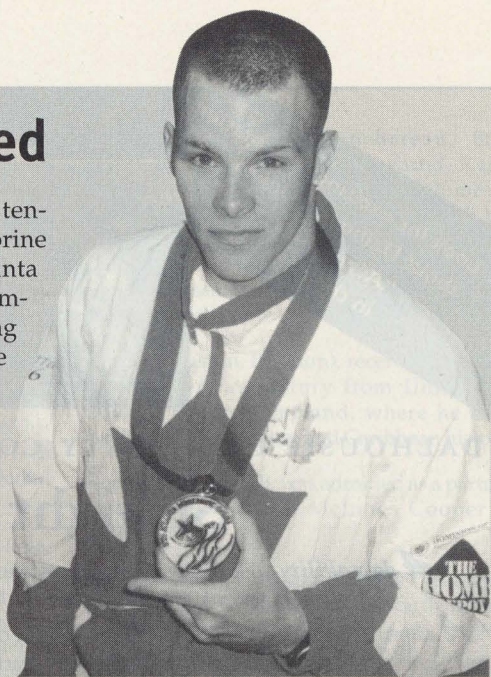
Haley's greatest challenge began when he was six and lost part of his right leg to cancer. Unwilling to be held back, the Dartmouth teen joined a competitive swim club when he was 15. A year later, he made his first international team.

Then, in May 1995, while playing basketball during a break from Paralympic training, Haley broke a

**Jeff Grovestine**, BCom, and **Anastasia Panoulis**, BCom'91(Ottawa), of North Bay, Ont., were married in Demonia, Greece, on Aug. 17, 1996. They live in Burlington, Ont., and both work with the Royal Bank in Toronto.

**Peggy (Boudreau) Lugar**, BPE, and **Jay**, BA'83 (Claremont McKenna College, California), MA'88(McGill), announce the birth of their daughter, Erin Elizabeth, Feb. 12, 1996, a sister for Jenny, 5, and Scott, 3. They live in Halifax.

**Roy H. Mosher**, BSc(Hon), MSc'86, PhD'93, is



Golden visions: Andrew Haley

bone in his right leg. He was forced out of the pool for four months. The severe injury might have quashed the dreams of other world athletes but Haley still managed to secure a spot on the Canadian Paralympic team, for the second time in four years. That determination may be in-born but Haley credits training with the Dalhousie Tigers for much of his success.

Haley is now striving for a goal outside the pool but not far from athletics. He hopes to enter a master of recreation program next year and, later, to pursue sports marketing.

As for competition, Haley is swimming now "one year at a time." But given his relentless passion for the sport, it's not likely he will throw in the towel any time soon.

"I want a gold medal," he says. "And I'm not going to stop until I get it." — *Katharine Dunn*

an assistant professor of biology at the University of Illinois at Springfield.

**Kelly J. Stanhope**, BSc(Hon), PhD (Cambridge), and **Martin Porter** announce the birth of their daughter, Elizabeth Ann Porter, Mar. 23, 1996. They live in London, England.

'85 **Chris Lane**, BCom, BA(Hon)'95, is completing his master's in European history

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at York University and is planning to enter the university's doctoral program in September.

**Jane Marshall**, BA(K), BAHC'87, married Gordon Hirons in Halifax on July 27, 1996. They moved from Singapore to Prague, Czech Republic, in September.

**Diane McInnis**, BSc, BEd'86, LLB'90, and **Satish Rangaswamy**, MD'86, announce the birth of their daughter, Alana Marie, born Nov. 22, 1995, a sister for Daniel Francis, born Feb. 17, 1994. They live in Kitchener, Ont.

**Cathy (Andrews) McIntyre**, BSc, DDH'86, and **Alastair McIntyre**, BSc'83, BCom'85, announce the birth of their daughter, Alexandra Paige, born June 25, 1996, a sister for Cameron, 3. They live in Oakville, Ont. Alastair works with Scotia Capital Markets in Toronto and Cathy works part-time in a periodontal dental practice in Oakville.

**Chamine (David) Meghji**, BSc, BSChC'86, MSc'88, and her husband, Badru, announce the birth of their first child, a son, Aashir Jehan, Feb. 13, 1996. Chamine is a speech-language pathologist at the Calgary General Hospital.

**Lawrence Rubin**, BSc, BSChC'86, LLB'89 (UNB), and his wife, Jacqueline, announce the birth of their son, Seth Lyndon, born Mar. 3, 1996. Lawrence is a lawyer with Brodtkin Gearing Cohen in Toronto.

**Kevin Schwenker**, CMC, MA, BA(Hon)'83 (Carleton), owner of Schwenker & Associates, a management consulting practice in Halifax, was elected president of the Institute of Certified Management Consultants of Atlantic Canada. His wife, **Suzanne Sheaves**, DDH'71, BA(Hon)'78(SMU), MBA'81(SMU), is an investment adviser and vice-president at Nesbitt Burns. Kevin is a cub leader and coaches soccer, baseball and mini-basketball. He is an elected member of the Halifax Grammar School board of governors where his son, Niklaus, is in Grade 4.

**Patti Towler**, BA(K), LLB'89, accepted a position with Bull, Housser & Tupper in Vancouver.

**'86 Catherine R. Curren**, BN, and Reg announce the birth of their daughter, Gillian Rebecca, born May 20, 1996. They live in Edmonton.

**Janel (Nelmes) DeSilva**, BSc(Pharm), and Stuart announce the birth of their daughter, Jenna Nicole, born Apr. 26, 1996. They live in Bermuda.

**Bill Greenlaw**, BSc, BA'88, BAHC'90, MPA'93, of Dartmouth, was the Canadian Paralympics swim coach in Atlanta, Ga., last summer. The team won 19 medals and set five world records.

**Elizabeth (Peckham) McPhee**, BA, and Robert announce the birth of their son, Jeremy Robert, born July 6, 1996, a brother for Melissa Catherine, 3.

## CLASS NOTES

**Michelle Raiche-Marsden**, BSc, MD'92, PostGradMed'93, BEd'95, and Alexander announce the birth of their third daughter, Carmen Alexandra, born May 17, 1996, a sister for Tavia, 5, and Lea, 3.

**Brenda M. Staples**, BN, BEd'91(Ottawa), MEd(psychopedagogy)'95(Ottawa), has been working with Organon Canada Ltd., a pharmaceutical company, since August 1994.

**'87 Nancy (Weatherby) Adams**, BSc (Pharm), and Ernie announce the birth of their first child, a son, Jared Samuel, born Feb. 13, 1996. They live in Truro, N.S.

**Frances (Marr) Bignell**, BA, BSW'90, and Eric announce the birth of their third son, Zachariah, born May 4, 1996, a brother for Jason and Max. They live in Lakefield, Ont.

**Elizabeth Calkin**, BA(Hon), MA'89, and **Thomas Plagwitz**, MA'89, were married in Halifax on Aug. 24, 1996.

**Jeff Chisholm**, BSc, MBA'89, and his wife, Sue, announce the birth of their son, Matthew, June 30, 1996, a brother for Jessica, 2 1/2. They live in Stillwater Lake, N.S. Jeff is business development manager with Atlantic Canada Careers.

**Victoria M. Goldring**, BA(K), MPA'89, married Ken West, MD'85(UWO), in Halifax on July 12, 1996. Victoria is a fiscal policy analyst with the N.S. Department of Finance and Ken is a nephrologist at the QEII Health Sciences Centre. They live in Halifax.

**Debbie (Morrow) Gowan**, PostGradMed'87, and **Russ Gowan**, MD'87, PostGradMed'93, announce the birth of their third daughter, Alicia Marie, born July 23, 1996, a sister for Tara and Olivia. They live in Orleans, Ont.

**Curtis Horne**, BSc, MBA'89, DDS'96, joined his father, **Weldon D. Horne**, BSc'77, DDS'81, in the practice of dentistry at Ocean Park Dental Centre in Dartmouth.

**Vicki MacNutt**, BMusEd, married Bruce Pate, BEng(Glasgow), on Dec. 2, 1995. Bruce is an applications specialist at DaeWoo Motor Company. Vicki founded and directs the Southern England Youth Choir and teaches secondary school music in West Sussex, England.

**Betty (Chan) Wong**, BCom, and Gavin announce the birth of their daughter, Shaula Elyssa Genette, born Aug. 22, 1996. They live in Vancouver.

**'88 Dana Goski-Souchereau**, BSc, BScHC'89, MSc'92, and her husband, **Keith Souchereau**, BSc'89, moved to Columbus, Ohio. Keith, former assistant coach with the 1995 men's CIAU soccer champions at Dalhousie, works with Jolun Chemicals Inc. Dana is a research scientist/chemist for Allied Mineral Products.

**Laurie Johnston**, BA(Hon), received a PhD in Latin American history from University College London, England, where he now teaches Latin American and Caribbean history.

**Bernard Miller**, LLB, was admitted as a partner of the Halifax firm, McInnes Cooper & Robertson.

**Michelle (Hurley) Ploughman**, BScPT, and Jim Ploughman, PEng, announce the birth of their second child, Sean Patrick, born Oct. 16, 1995, a brother for Luke, born July 28, 1993. They live in St. John's, Nfld.

**'89 Sheila E. Harris**, BSc, and Douglas F. Shanks were married on Sept. 30, 1995. They announce the birth of their daughter, Leah

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Rosemary Harris-Shanks, born July 5, 1996. They live in Halifax.

**Bethany Inman**, BSc(Pharm), is pharmacist/owner of a Shopper's Drug Mart in Rexdale, Ont.

**Farah (David) Kapur**, BSc, BScHC'90, MD'94(Manitoba), and **Sandy Kapur**, BSc'87, MD'91, announce the birth of their daughter, Alisha, born June 18, 1996, in Winnipeg. Sandy completed his pediatric residency at the University of Manitoba in June 1995. He is now pursuing a two-year fellowship in pediatric allergy and clinical immunology. Farah completed her family medicine residency in June 1996 at the University of Manitoba.

**Andrew Milne**, PEng, DEng, BEng'92(TUNS), received a master's in medical biophysics from the University of Western Ontario. He accepted a position as product design engineer with Ford Motor Company in London, Ont.

**'90 Geoffrey Seeley**, BSc, is a consultant/programmer for GDS & Associates Systems Ltd. in Victoria, B.C. He invites e-mail correspondence at: gseeley@island.net.

**Lea Raiche Tanner**, BSc(K), BSc(Pharm)'94,

and **Edgil Tanner**, BSc'89, announce the birth of their daughter, Olivia Dianne Raiche Tanner, born Aug. 12, 1996. They live in Elmsdale, N.S.

**Janet (Henriksen) Sibbald**, MBA, and **Andrew Sibbald**, MBA'89, announce the birth of their son, John Andrew Henriksen, born July 17, 1996, a brother for Kaitlin, 4, and Anne, 2. They live in Sutton, Ont.

**Alexander Swift**, BSc(Pharm), MD'96 (McMaster), writes that he is engaged to marry Elena Almonte, MD'97(McMaster), on May 31, 1997, in Stoney Creek, Ont. Alexander is doing a residency in family medicine at Queen's University in Kingston, Ont.

**Lisa Wilkins**, MBA, and **Roy Patterson**, BSc'88, MBA'90, announce the birth of their first child, a son, Matthew Andrew, born Dec. 18, 1995. They live in Toronto.

**Andrew Young**, BA, BEd'92, is teaching in Courtenay, B.C. He and his wife, Tanis Teichrib, have a son, Noel Lewis, born Nov. 6, 1995.

**'91 Amy Bell**, MA, MPA'93, and **Bill Abbott**, LLB'92, were married in Ottawa on June 29, 1996. They live in Cobourg, Ont. Bill is an associate with Stewart, Mitchell &

Macklin and Amy is a health promoter with the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit. Amy writes that friends are welcome to contact them at: amybill@eagle.ca or 217 Sydenham St., Cobourg, Ont., K9A 2S4.

**Andrew Bridges**, BCom, and Tracy McManaman-Bridges announce the birth of their son, Alexander Creighton McManaman Bridges, born Sept. 11, 1996. Tracy is an RN at the IWK-Grace Health Centre. Andrew owns a small business, University Clothing Company, a custom sportswear wholesaler. They live in Dartmouth.

**Cindy (MacDonald) Locke**, BA, and Brent announce the birth of their second son, Samuel Brent, born Jan. 31, 1995, a brother for Jake, born July 15, 1993.

**Diane McLeod**, MBA, and **Kevin Bateman**, BSc(Hon)'89, BEd'91, MSc'93(Waterloo), announce the birth of their daughter, Alison Jane, born Mar. 25, 1996. Kevin is a PhD student at Dalhousie.

**Johna Metcalfe**, BSc(Pharm) married Don Peters on Sept. 30, 1995. They announce the birth of their daughter, Meaghan Jenessa, born Oct. 5, 1996, a sister for Justin, 9. They live in Sydney River, N.S.

**Bizeck Jube Phiri**, PhD, is a senior lecturer in history and dean of student affairs at the University of Zambia.

**Graham F. Shaw**, BSc, is teaching English in Japan.

**Andrea Smillie**, LLB, and **Jim Snair**, BSc'85, BA'86, announce the birth of Charlotte Mae Louise, July 1, 1996, a sister for Benjamin James Andrew, 3 1/2, and Anderson George Arthur, 2. They live in Sunnybrook, near Mahone Bay, N.S. Andrea was recently appointed to the Workers' Compensation Appeals Tribunal as an appeals commissioner. Jim owns and operates a yacht brokerage firm, Sunnybrook Yacht Brokers, in Chester, N.S.

**'92 Melissa (Carr) Anderson**, BScPT, and Stephen announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Erin Mary Louise, born July 24, 1996. Melissa is a physiotherapist at the Saint John Regional Hospital and Steve is completing his business degree at the University of New Brunswick, Saint John campus. They live in Lorneville, N.B.

**S. Beth Pritchard**, BEd, and Colin announce the birth of their second daughter, Ashley Sarah, born Mar. 17, 1996, a sister for Taylor. They live in Goderich, Ont.

**Erroll Treslan**, LLB, associate with Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales, has transferred from the firm's St. John's, Nfld., office to the firm's Halifax litigation department.

**'93 Paula (Amirault) George**, BSc,

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DMet'94, and **Andrew George**, BSc'89, BScHC'91, MSc'93, announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Amelia Marie, born Sept. 15, 1996. They live in Mount Uniacke, N.S.

**Theresa Smolenaars**, MBA, is a waste reduction/resource information officer with the Halifax Regional Municipality.

**'94 Blair Chapman**, BCom, and his wife, Yolande (Berube), announce the birth of their first child, Monique Diana, born Apr. 7, 1996. Blair is a policy analyst with the N.W.T. Department of Health & Social Services in Yellowknife.

**Heather Doncaster**, BA, married Russell Scott of Amherst, N.S., on Sept. 7, 1996. Heather is the project co-ordinator of a Dalhousie University research project, the Amherst Initiative for Healthy Adolescent Sexuality.

**Spencer J. Greenwood**, PhD, is a postdoctoral fellow in the department of chemistry and biochemistry at the University of Guelph. He is also pursuing a doctor of veterinary medicine degree at the Ontario Veterinary College.

**Lisa J. Hobbs**, BRec, and **Trent P. McLaughlin**, BSc(Pharm)'95, were married in Pompano Beach, Fla., on July 22, 1995. Lisa is a recreational therapist for Richland Memorial Hospital (Palmetto Senior Day Care). Trent is doing a PhD in pharmacy administration at the University of South Carolina. They live in Columbia, S.C.

**Elaine Tynski**, BSc(Pharm), and **Christopher Shipley**, BSc, Aquaculture Technician (Honors)'96(NSCC), were married in Sydney, N.S., on Sept. 7, 1996. They live in Shelburne County, N.S.

**Tom Wallace**, BA, married Lisa Dondale in Annapolis Royal, N.S., on Sept. 21, 1996. They live in Saint John, N.B. Tom, an employee of Xerox Canada since graduation, is a national marketing representative with their office document products division. Lisa is with the law firm of Lawson & Creamer.

**'95 Gregory Barro**, LLB, joined Pink Nickerson Star, Yarmouth, N.S., as an associate.

**Terry Bartlett-Visser**, LLB, joined the Halifax firm of Morris, Bureau and Zwicker as an associate.

**Gavin Brimer**, MBA, is marketing analyst for Canadian Tire at the head office in Toronto.

**David M. Doyle**, BPE/BEEd, is on a one-year teaching contract with the New York Foreign Language Institution to teach in Taejon, South Korea. He encourages any alumni in that area to contact him by e-mail at: aa880@chebucto.ns.ca.

**Terri Hyson**, BCom, married Trevor Langille in Chester, N.S., on Aug. 10, 1996. They live in Dartmouth.

**Clayton Pecknold**, LLB, was called to the bar of British Columbia in August 1995. He has since returned to his career in the RCMP in Halifax.

**Kandace Terris**, LLB, joined Burchell, MacAdam & Hayman in Halifax as an associate.

## DEATHS

**Ernest Parker Duchemin**, BA'18, of Halifax, on July 11, 1996. He was a mining engineer, retiring in 1967.

**Dorothy Charlotte (Fraser) Wickwire**, Arts'22, of Liverpool, N.S., in September 1996.

**Kenneth M. Grant**, MD'29, BSc'31, of Halifax, on Aug. 10, 1996. He retired from private practice in obstetrics in 1987.

**Thomas Clark Sedgwick**, QC, BA'29, LLB'31, of Pictou, N.S., on Oct. 23, 1996. He practised in Pictou for 53 years, retiring in 1985.

**Mary Henderson 'Mae' (Campbell) Wilson**, BA'29, of Halifax, on Aug. 3, 1996. She taught in Louisbourg, North Sydney and Halifax.

**Rev. Dr. E. Arthur Betts**, MA'30, PhD

(Edinburgh), of Windsor, N.S., on July 13, 1996. He retired from active ministry in 1962.

**Sr. Agnes Therese (Emma) Frecker**, BA'30, of Halifax, on July 9, 1996. She was a teacher in Quebec and Massachusetts.

**C. Sherburne 'Bud' Gould**, Engineering'30, of Halifax, on Oct. 29, 1996. He was vice-president of Standard Construction Ltd.

**Dorothy Isabel O'Brien**, Arts'30, of Ottawa, on July 6, 1996. She retired from the Civil Service Commission.

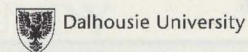
**Mary Barrington (Chirgwin) Parker**, BA'30, of North Sydney, N.S., on Sept. 13, 1996. She worked at Northside General Hospital until retirement.

**Evelyn Christine Blois**, BA'31, of Halifax, on Sept. 19, 1996. She taught in Halifax schools for many years, retiring as vice-principal at Queen Elizabeth High School in 1971.

**W. Howard Drover**, BSc'32, MD'35, of St. John's, Nfld., on Feb. 13, 1996.

**Prof. Donald Allister Fergusson**, BA'32, PhD(Chicago), of Port Morien, N.S., on Oct. 25, 1996. He was a university professor, an author, Scottish scholar and researcher. He finished his academic career at St. Mary's University.

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**Joanna Kelley 'Pat' Cann**, BCom'33, of Yarmouth, N.S., on Aug. 17, 1996. She retired from Dominion Textiles Ltd. in 1976.

**Pauline Bertha Corrigan**, BA'33, DipEd'33, of Halifax, on Oct. 5, 1996. She taught at Alexander MacKay School from 1935 until retirement in 1976.

**Ethel Alderson Crathorne**, BA'34, of Dartmouth, on Sept. 21, 1996.

**H.S. Donald Bauld**, Commerce'35, of Halifax, on July 4, 1996. He retired from a sporting goods business that he established after returning from the Second World War.

**Robert Lloyd McIntosh**, BA'35, MSc'36, PhD'39(McGill), of Kingston, Ont., on July 10, 1996. He was a professor emeritus of chemistry at Queen's University.

**Sister Frances Carmel Regan**, BA'35, PhD(Toronto), of Wellesley Hills, Mass., on Oct. 3, 1996. She was a teacher of philosophy, alumnae director, registrar and dean at Mount Saint Vincent University in Halifax.

**G. Lloyd MacDonald**, DEng'38, BEng'40 (TUNS), of Tatamagouche, N.S., on Aug. 5, 1996. He retired from Westinghouse Canada in 1974.

**Wilfred Burchell**, BA'39, MA'40, of New Glasgow, N.S., on Sept. 26, 1996. He retired in 1974 as superintendent of schools in New Glasgow, after 35 years of teaching.

**Rowan Corry Coleman**, LLB'39, of Montreal, on Sept. 21, 1996.

**Charles Audley Sellon**, DPharm'39, of Halifax, on July 15, 1996. Prior to retirement he was a pharmacist with Burroughs-Wellcome in Montreal.

**Robert Hunter Bingham**, DDS'42, of Halifax, on Sept. 11, 1996. In 1955 he joined the faculty of dentistry at Dalhousie where he held various positions, including acting dean.

**J.W. Derek Johnston**, BSc'47, MSc'50, of Enfield, N.S., on Aug. 26, 1996. He retired as co-ordinator of special projects with the N.S. Department of Natural Resources after completing a career as a geologist.

**Gordon Dunnet**, QC, LLB'48, of Mississauga, Ont., on Sept. 10, 1996. He practised in Halifax, Toronto and Rio de Janeiro.

**Earl Whitfield Slipp**, BCom'48, of Halifax, on Sept. 8, 1996. He worked in Montreal, Winnipeg and Edmonton.

**Daniel Alexander Ferguson**, DPharm'49, of Sydney, N.S., on Oct. 19, 1996. He was a pharmacist in various drugstores in the Sydney area.

**Rev. Robert Williams Mumford**, BA'49, MTheology'71(Princeton), of Charlottetown, P.E.I., on Sept. 22, 1996. He served as a United Church minister for almost 35 years, retiring in 1991.

**Edward George Nichols**, BSc'50, MSc'51, of Sackville, N.B., on Sept. 27, 1996. He retired from the psychology department at Mount Allison University in 1994.

**James Erwin McKenna**, DPharm'51, of Pictou, N.S., on Oct. 22, 1996. He owned his own pharmacy in Pictou for many years and later worked at Shiretown Nursing Home and Sutherland Harris Memorial Hospital.

**Albro Dobson 'Bebo' MacKeen**, DPharm'53, MD'59, of Halifax, on Sept. 3, 1996. He was an associate radiologist at the Victoria General Hospital from 1964 until retirement in 1995 and an associate professor of diagnostic radiology at Dalhousie. He was a former board member of the Dalhousie Alumni Association and the Dalhousie Board of Governors.

**Katherine Frances 'Kaye' Weir**, DPH'55, of Vancouver, on July 28, 1996. She was a retired airport nurse with CP Air, Vancouver.

**J. Norbert Lyons**, MD'56, of Iowa City, Ind., on July 10, 1996. He practised in Halifax, the Canadian Arctic, Saskatchewan, Alberta, Oregon and Iowa.

**Pamela Jean (Sutherland) Kennedy**, BSc'57, MSW'79, of Halifax, on Sept. 24, 1996. She practised social work until retirement.

**Donald Murchison Milford**, MD'60, of Las Vegas, on June 17, 1996. He was a general practitioner for over 34 years, the last 15 in Las Vegas.

**Bernard Edward Ead**, DPharm'61, of Halifax, on Oct. 31, 1996. He operated MacKay Pharmacy for 40 years.

**Stanley Elmer Fennell**, QC, LLD'62, of Cornwall, Ont., on July 14, 1996.

**Patricia Anne (Shephard) Stephen**, DNSA'62, of Markham, Ont., in August 1996. She worked at the Saint John General Hospital and later at the Scarborough General Hospital.

**Terrence Leon Pierce**, DEng'64, BEng'66 (TUNS), of Halifax, on Aug. 29, 1996. He owned a general contracting firm, Pierce Engineering.

**Margaret Mary (Fitzgerald) Martin**, DPH'65, of Halifax, on Sept. 22, 1996. She was a public health nurse for Halifax schools.

**Susan Jane (Haylock) Burchell**, BA'66, MSW'68, of Dartmouth, on Aug. 15, 1996. She was instrumental in opening the Dartmouth branch of the Atlantic Child Guidance Centre and helped establish the Volunteers in Probation program and the Buckle Up Baby program.

**Gordon Carl Ferguson**, BSc(Pharm)'67, of Montague, P.E.I., on Sept. 7, 1996.

**Rev. Joseph William Cote**, BEd'70, of Sydney, N.S., on July 6, 1996. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1956. He was a parish priest in Antigonish and Cape Breton.

**Alexander George MacDonald**, QC, LLB'70, of Malignant Cove, N.S., on Oct. 5, 1996. He was senior partner with the Antigonish law firm, Richard and MacDonald, and acted as town solicitor.



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**Sir Fitzroy Maclean of Dunconnel**, LLD'71, of Argyll, Scotland, on June 15, 1996.

**Mark Franklin Longhurst**, PostGradMed'72, of Yarrow, B.C., on Sept. 6, 1996. He practised in Revelstoke, Vancouver and Chilliwack, BC.

**Steve Panais**, BEd'74, MA'82, of Halifax, on Sept. 27, 1996. He was a teacher with the Halifax City School Board.

**Margaret Selma Estok**, MLS'78, of Weymouth, N.S., on July 13, 1996. She was a teacher and librarian.

**Susan Helene Talbot**, RN, DPH'78, of Pictou, N.S., on July 23, 1996. She was a community health nurse with the N.S. Department of Health.

**Gordon Waddell Thomas, OC**, LLD'79, of Mabou, N.S., on Oct. 17, 1996. He was surgeon-in-chief and executive director of the International Grenfell Association from 1946-77. He held an associate professorship of surgery at Dalhousie.

**Verle Marie (Jessome) Marchand**, BSW'81, MSW'87, of Halifax, on July 25, 1996. She was a social worker at the Victoria General Hospital and co-founder of Coping with Cancer, a support group for patients and their families.

**Christopher Stuart Fraser McKee**, CA, BCom(Hon)'81, of Halifax, on July 15, 1996. He was a chartered accountant in private practice.

**David William Connors**, BSW'82, MSW'84, of Bridgewater, N.S., on July 19, 1996. He was a social worker at the Mental Health Clinic, South Shore Regional Hospital.

**William Harold Dingle**, BSW'83, of Halifax, on Aug. 14, 1996. He retired from the Department of National Defence.

**Duane Jeffrey Doggett**, BA(Hon)'84, of Los Angeles, on July 29, 1996.

**Prof. Thomas Edward Hull**, LLD'87, of Toronto, on Aug. 15, 1996. He was a professor emeritus of the department of computer science at the University of Toronto.

**Allen Richard Stark**, BSc(Hon)'91, of Halifax, on Oct. 20, 1996. He was an environmental geochemistry graduate student at Memorial University since 1992, and worked at the Bedford Institute of Oceanography since 1990. He was also working in co-operation with the Geological Survey of Canada and the Canadian Hydrographic Service.

**Alexandra Maria Hirth**, MN'92, of Halifax, on June 26, 1996. She worked at the Dalhousie School of Nursing.

**Leslie Hill Brownrigg**, MBA'93, of Lorneville, N.B., on Sept. 21, 1996. He was employed with Coopers Lybrand in Saint John, N.B.

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## IN MEMORIAM

### Ghiz remembered for integrity, passion

Joe Ghiz (LLB'69), former dean of Dalhousie's law school and premier of Prince Edward Island, died in early November after a long battle with cancer. He was 51.

Ghiz, a staunch defender of a united Canada, helped write the Charlottetown Accord and the Meech Lake Accord. He was premier of the nation's smallest province from 1986 to 1992, before returning to his alma mater in Halifax to become dean of law.

Ghiz brought to Dalhousie the same belief in the power of public consultation that he was known for throughout his political life. In an interview with *Dalhousie* magazine shortly after he became dean in 1993, Ghiz expressed optimism about leading the law school, which he described as Dalhousie's "jewel in the crown."

"People are aware and realize that these are tough, difficult times. As long as the tough choices are made with the broadest amount of consultation and co-operation with the people with whom you work, I think you'll get their co-operation," Ghiz said.

Ghiz left Dalhousie to accept an appointment to the trial division of the Prince Edward Island Supreme Court.

In a statement issued after Ghiz's death, Prime Minister Jean Chretien praised the island's former leader.

"As premier, and indeed at all times, Joe Ghiz displayed a deep and abiding love for his province and his country. I will always remember him as a man of tremendous integrity and passion."

Ghiz earned commerce and law degrees from Dalhousie. He also studied law at Harvard University. He is survived by his wife, Rose Ellen, son, Robert, and daughter, Joanne.



Joe Ghiz (LLB'69)

### Dr. Terry Ingham: alumni supporter, faculty member

Dr. Terry Ingham (DDS'62), a long-time faculty member with Dalhousie's school of dentistry and a member of the university's alumni association board of directors, died last October.

Dr. Ingham, an associate professor, was an enthusiastic supporter of Dalhousie and well-respected in his profession. He joined the dental school following graduation, concentrating on

teaching pedodontics and orthodontics. He was a member of several dental associations. His service to his profession and community was recognized by fellowships in the International College of Dentists and the American College of Dentists.

Donations in memory may be made to St. Matthias Church or the Dalhousie Dental Alumni Scholarship Fund.

### Long-time employee Leslie Stockhausen dies at 64

Leslie Stockhausen, a long-time employee of the school of business died last October. She was 64.

Stockhausen joined the school in 1982 as an administrative secretary. She was responsible for documentation and

publication.

"She was a wonderful person," says co-worker Susan DeYoung.

Stockhausen was past-president of the Dalhousie Women's Club and an active member of its book club.

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# PUTTING ON a good show

Stanleigh Mitchell likes to put on a good show. For the 23-year-old student, that show can be either on or off the basketball court.

Mitchell, who was required to sit out a mandatory season last year after transferring from the University of New Brunswick, is on the court this year. And he's thrilled.

"When I actually got to put on a uniform and represent Dalhousie, I was just really excited," he told a local newspaper. "My adrenaline was pumping." The fourth-year student has certainly known his share of basketball success – he was a primary scorer at UNB, part of the national team program last summer and on the B squad for the World Games Team.

Mitchell's also known another kind of success in front of the TV camera.

Last summer, he flexed his dramatic muscle when he played the lead character in a CBC television special. Mitchell portrayed a high school basketball star who acquires the HIV virus after having unprotected sex during a recruiting trip to an American university. (One of Mitchell's former basketball coaches wrote the script.) To prepare for the role, Mitchell visited a hospice in Toronto to observe people struggling with HIV.

"It challenged me. It brought out a lot of things. Like, I had never had to cry on a dime, you know," he says. "There was take after take, and you had to be repetitive and still try to maintain the emotion."

Mitchell's first acting job came in the summer of 1995 when he appeared in a short film as a basketball player whose NBA dreams are shattered after a career-ending injury. The film, now being shown to school children in Toronto, urges young people to focus on an education – not only on sports – to help get them through life.

"There are a lot of black kids who have the mind frame that they can just depend on their sport and that will take them through life," Mitchell says. "I never did that but I never thought I'd be in university, either."

Acting has presented some new chal-

lenges for Mitchell.

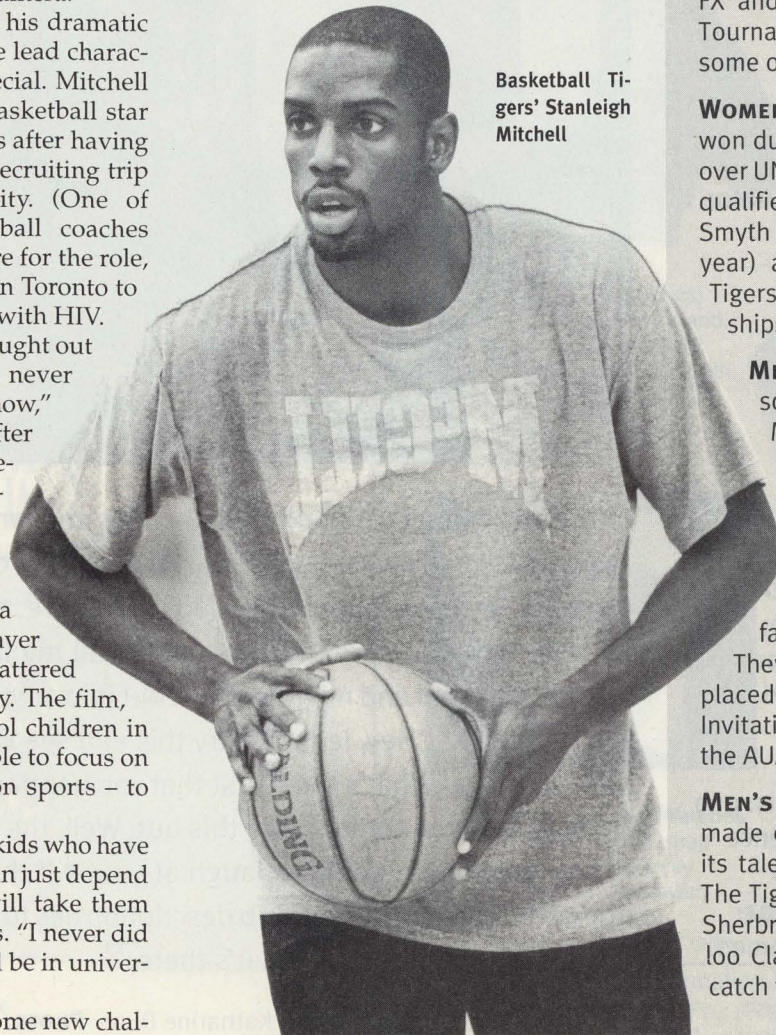
"In basketball, I know what I can do on the court. I know my strengths and weaknesses. With acting, I don't know what my strengths are."

Mitchell's strengths are certainly showing up on the basketball court. "Every time I see the kid I am more and more impressed with him," Tigers' coach Tim McGarrigle said after an early-season exhibition game.

And in Mitchell's future? Will it be acting or basketball?

"It would be a tough choice. But my priority now is school, to get my degree," Mitchell says. "But I can see myself playing basketball forever because it is something that I love doing." ♦

– Research, Katharine Dunn



Basketball Tigers' Stanleigh Mitchell

## Tiger Talk



**HOCKEY:** Heading into the Christmas break, the Tigers were 7-5-2 – good enough for third place in the Kelly division. Recently, the team travelled to Orono, Maine, for the JC Penny Classic and hosted Brandon, Manitoba. Watch for the hockey Tigers in '97.

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL:** The women had a strong first half to their season, with 4 wins and 1 loss. They took silver at their Subway Tournament and played exhibition games at Simon Fraser and Winnipeg over the holiday break.

**MEN'S BASKETBALL:** The team finished the season's first half in a three-way tie for first place, with St. FX and MUN. The Rod Shoveller Tournament in January featured some of the country's best talent.

**WOMEN'S SWIMMING:** The Tigers won dual meets in the fall session over UNB and Mt.A. Two swimmers qualified for nationals – Leslie Smyth (95-96 AUAA rookie-of-the-year) and Angela McAlpine. The Tigers host the AUAA championships in February.

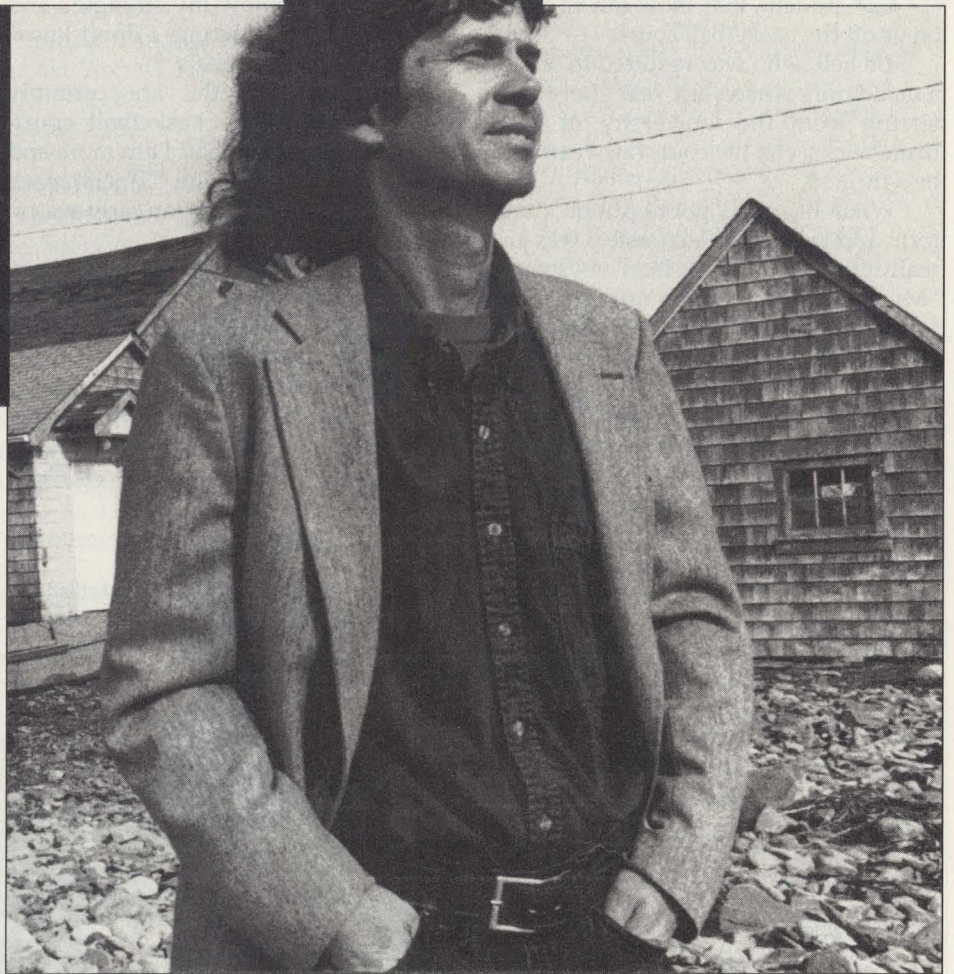
**MEN'S SWIMMING:** The men's squad split dual meets with Mt. A and UNB. Early in January, they took to the pool in Fredericton and Sackville, New Brunswick.

**WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL:** The women have had a fabulous season to date. They won the UNB Invitational, placed fourth at the Moncton Invitational, and are now third in the AUAA.

**MEN'S VOLLEYBALL:** This squad made other CIAU teams aware of its talent early in exhibition play. The Tigers defeated Manitoba and Sherbrooke to capture the Waterloo Classic. Heads are turning to catch this strong, exciting team.

# Creatively Choyce

## PROFILE



**NAME:** Lesley Choyce

**AGE:** 45

**OFFICIAL JOB:** Senior instructor,  
English department and  
Transition Year Program

**UNOFFICIAL JOBS:**

Award-winning author of nearly 40 books; former Canadian National Surfing Champion; musician; publisher; music video performer; host of nationally syndicated TV program

**MOST RECENT ENDEAVOR:**

Completed three more novels: one historical, one "sort-of" science fiction, one for young adults

**GREATEST WRITING CHALLENGE:**

Getting into the minds of women. "Aliens I can do fine, but contemporary women . . ."

"Kids are trained to think there is right and wrong – that adults have more power and know more about what's going on. But that isn't always the case. We're as muddle-headed as they are. ■ It's been a privilege to be able to pursue creative endeavors all my life; things that I knew weren't practical and might not pan out into anything real. I always have the attitude of, 'Hey, let's just try this and see what happens.' ■ I can't sing but I say, 'What's the worst that can happen?' I was told that I had to be 40 before I could figure this out. Well, the worst that can happen is that people are going to laugh at you. ■ If this is all one single job, one of the elements of that job description has to be: be happy. You write it into the contract and then it's there."

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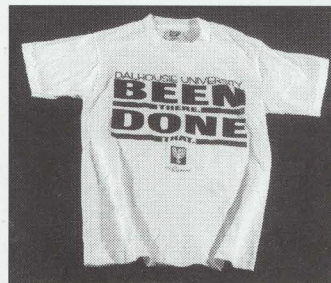
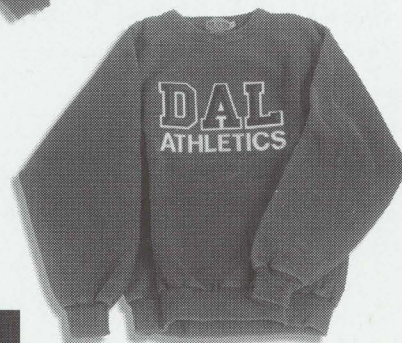


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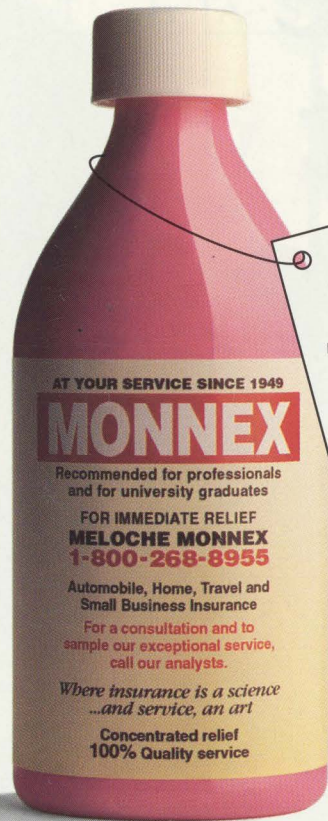
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