

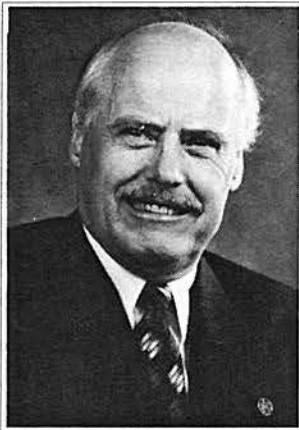
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A NEWSLETTER FOR LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY STAFF & FACULTY

Dr. John Whitfield appointed Vice-President, Research & Development



Dr. John Whitfield has taken on a new challenge.

Effective September 1, 1998, he will be responsible for the planning, management, and administration of policies and programs related to research and development, and will report to Lakehead University President Frederick Gilbert.

"The appointment of Dr. Whitfield to this position is an exciting new chapter in Lakehead University's

evolution," said Gilbert when the announcement was made on July 21, 1998.

"Dr. Whitfield's proven dedication to Lakehead University and the city of Thunder Bay as well as his strong sense of community will strengthen existing relationships and develop new ones for mutual benefit."

Last year Whitfield served as interim president. From 1991-97 he was Lakehead's vice-president (academic).

Those reporting to the vice-president (research and development) include Dr. Connie Nelson, dean of graduate studies and research (on matters related to research), Moe Kytör, director student placement and cooperative education, Rob Zuback, coordinator of alumni services, and Laurie Hill, development officer.

Whitfield sees the "wedding" of research and development functions on campus as "a step forward" because it moves Lakehead into the

same configuration that governments appear to be expecting: finding matching funds (in the private sector) to support funding from government sources. He cites the federal government's Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) initiative, the provincial government's Ontario Research and Development Challenge Fund, and other initiatives in the recent provincial budget as examples of a fundamental change.

Says Whitfield: "It's not the business of going to companies and asking for handouts. It means finding out what their needs are, what we can deliver for them, and how it may be helpful for both of us to work together."

From a personal point of view, Whitfield is looking forward to the task. He says he knows Lakehead University, the university system and the community as a whole "quite well." And now he is looking forward to increasing his knowledge and experience of fund raising and friend raising.

"Clearly the research side of the university has been, and must continue to be, an integral part of the strategic plan. As well, external relations and development have to be part of the plan."

-- Frances Harding

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New Staff and Faculty

Laurie Hill

Development Officer



It is fitting that Laurie Hill should be raising funds for the Chancellor Paterson Library, since it was her love of books that drew her to Lakehead in the

first place.

Hill is a graduate of Lakehead's Library Technology diploma program and spent two years working in the Faculty of Education Library while taking courses part-time for a BA.

In 1977 she moved to St. Joseph's Hospital and has been working in the health care sector ever since. Most recently she served as director of communications for the Thunder Bay Regional Hospital and before that she was manager of community relations and development at McKellar Hospital.

Hill notes the similarities between hospitals and universities saying that both are faced with the challenge of continuing to meet their mandates in the face of diminished resources.

Nevertheless, she is "thrilled" to be working at Lakehead, especially in the Development Office. She believes passionately in the importance of Lakehead both to the city and the region and says, "It is important we do what we can to keep our University healthy."

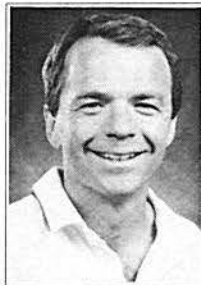
In addition to co-ordinating the Library's \$300,000 Electronic Access Campaign, Laurie Hill will be following up on the \$3.2 million Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund (OSOTF) campaign to make sure that pledges are paid before March 31, 1999. This is crucial if Lakehead is to benefit from the matching funds being made available by the Government of Ontario.

Laurie Hill was born and raised in Thunder Bay and completed a BA in English and sociology at York University in 1975. She is married to Bryan Wyatt, sports director at CKPR Radio, and they have an eleven-year-old daughter, Felicity.

Laurie Hill's office is located in the Avila Centre and she can be contacted by telephone at 343-8913 or by e-mail: laurie.hill@lakeheadu.ca

Dr. Bill Montelpare

Director of Kinesiology



Dr. Bill Montelpare doesn't beat around the bush when asked what he wants to accomplish as director of Lakehead's School of Kinesiology. He says he wants to make Kinesiology

the most respected program on campus and the best one in Canada!

Perhaps his confidence comes from having started his career -- and having met his future wife -- right here in Thunder Bay in the late 1970s.

Bill and Nancy Montelpare graduated from Lakehead University with Honours Bachelor of Physical Education degrees in 1980. From there Bill went to the University of Ottawa for a MSc in Exercise Physiology and then on to University of Toronto for a PhD in Community Health.

For the last 12 years, Bill Montelpare has been teaching at Brock University in St. Catharines where he developed an interdisciplinary program combining biology, community health and administration.

The Health Studies program, he laughs, didn't win him friends in the Registrar's Office but it was extremely popular with the students, especially RNs who

wanted to pursue a self-directed, part-time course of study on health-related topics as they worked toward a BA.

Montelpare sees enormous potential at Lakehead and is pleased to be coming in at a time when a new president has been appointed and, in his words, "the University is in a state of flux."

He has a high regard for the faculty and staff in the School of Kinesiology and sees his job as helping them to reach their goals while charting a new direction for the role of Kinesiology in the health sciences.

"It really feels like we're coming back home," says Montelpare, "and that is such a wonderful feeling."

Bill and Nancy Montelpare have two daughters, Krista, 14, and Erin, 12.

Dr. Bill Montelpare's office is located in the C.J. Sanders Fieldhouse and he can be contacted by telephone at 343-8481 or by e-mail: wmontelp@flash.lakeheadu.ca

Coming Up

**in the Fall issue of the
Nor'Wester Magazine**

A profile on

Dr. Frederick F. Gilbert

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Margaret Atwood's

*Convocation Address to the
Class of '98*

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Nor'Westers

Home and Away Schedule

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1997-98 Alumni Donor List

Staff Appointments

During June, July and August and early September employment notices were issued by Human Resources announcing the following appointments:

Sandra Walters

Senior Technician, Paleo-DNA Laboratory, Anthropology

Dr. Ryan Parr

Co-Director, Paleo-DNA Laboratory, Anthropology

Heath Higgins

Software Technician, CTRC

Annette Ratz

Coordinator, Community Health Nursing in First Nations & Northern Clinical Practice Program, School of Nursing

Jayson Gard

Women's Volleyball Coach, Athletics

Lori Kapush

Secretary, Languages and Women's Studies

Thomas Pavletic

Instructor, Native Access Program for Engineering

Renato Pullia

Program Coordinator, Northwestern Ontario Technology Centre

Jason Eagles

Secondary School Liaison Officer, Registrar's Office

Charles Tallon

Secondary School Liaison Officer, Registrar's Office

Adina Franceschino

Head Athletic Therapist, Athletics Department

Greg Shalay

Chief Operating Engineer, Campus Development Department

Holly Laird

Secondary School Liaison Officer, Registrar's Office

Juanita Lawson

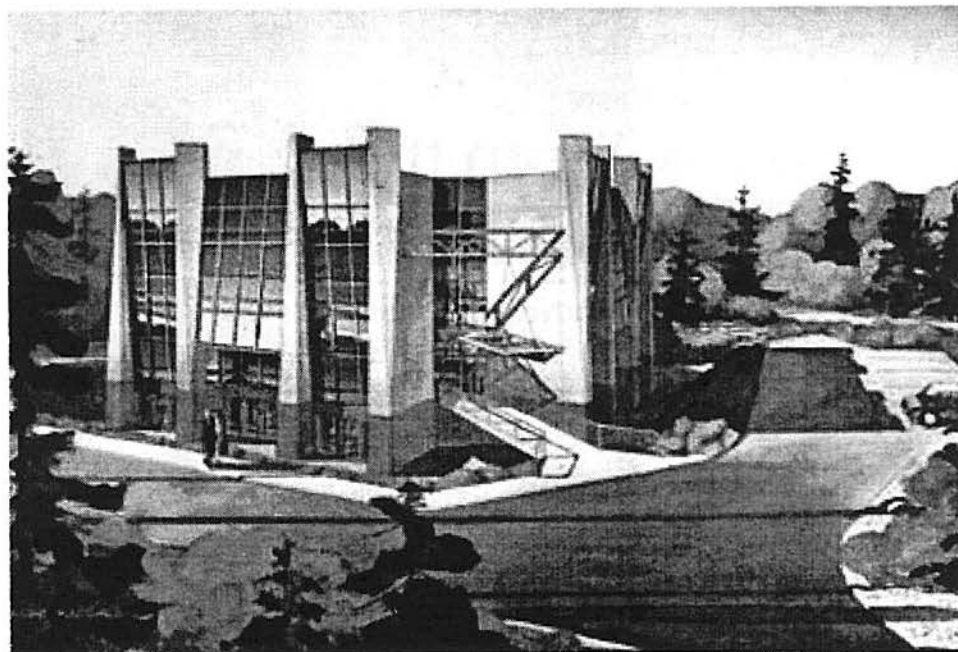
Coordinator Counselling Services, Student Services

Timo Miettinen

Supervisor of Networking and Research, CTRC

Heather Brown

Secondary School Liaison Officer, Registrar's Office



Northwestern Ontario Technology Centre

Lakehead University will contribute three acres of land between the Avila Centre and Balmoral Street as the location for the new Northwestern Ontario Technology Centre. In June it was announced that FedNor is contributing \$71,500 to NOTC to help small and medium-sized businesses embrace technological change through the adoption and use of new and emerging technologies. For more information contact Ray Rivard 343-8128.

Great Grads

Dr. Mary H. Bluechardt



A Lakehead graduate, now an associate professor at the University of Regina and program head of the adapted area of concentration in

the Faculty of Physical Activity Studies, is the first recipient of a newly established award -- the University of Regina Alumni Association Award for Excellence in Public Services. Dr. Mary H. Bluechardt completed a HBPHE in 1980 and a MSc in 1983 at Lakehead before completing a PhD at the University of Toronto. Her husband Cliff Bluechardt (ForTech'80, HBPE'83, BE'd'84) is also a Lakehead graduate.

Future Alumna

Marianne Ariganello

The Alumni Association has chosen an outstanding graduate of St. Ignatius High School in Thunder Bay, to receive the Alumni Entrance Award valued at

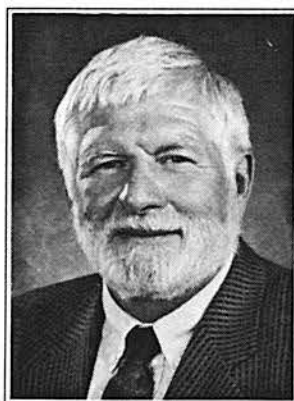


\$5,000. Marianne Ariganello has been on the honour roll since Grade 9 and wants to study Chemical Engineering. Last year she was one of four students who represented Northwestern Ontario in the Canada-wide Science Fair held in Regina.

She says she chose Lakehead because it was highly recommended to her by those who had attended the University.

From the President's Desk

by Dr. Frederick F. Gilbert



This is the first of what I am sure will be many articles by me in the *Agora* designed to inform the Lakehead University community.

First of all, let me thank those of you who have made my welcome to the University and to Thunder Bay a most sincere and warm one. The pleasant attitudes coupled with the warmth and sincerity have gone a long way to dispel any potential misgivings about accepting the Presidency here. There is much we have to do together, and I get the sense that it will be possible to bring about meaningful change.

One of my concerns has been the condition and appearance of the campus. While the deferred maintenance items will require new outside support, we have made strides, thanks to the commitment of our custodial and grounds' staff, to make the campus more presentable. Clean buildings and manicured grounds go a long way to mitigate the impact of the deterioration of the physical plant. For those addicted to nicotine, new cigarette disposal boxes are going up that should alleviate the butts that litter the grounds. Please use them! I will be making every effort to convince Queen's Park that the Council of Ontario Universities' concern about deferred maintenance is particularly acute at

Lakehead. Hopefully, we will see movement on that front in the near future.

Perhaps the most critical initiative of this academic year will be the Strategic Plan process and development. It is my intent to ensure that all will have access to the process and the effort is focussed and designed to change the University's direction to position it effectively for the future. The Strategic Planning Committee will have representation from all sectors. I would like to thank all those who allowed themselves to be nominated for the Committee. Those who did not wind up on the Committee should have much to contribute nonetheless, and I ask you to be involved in the overall planning activity. Members of the steering body include:

Dr. Fred Gilbert, President (Chair)
 Dr. Ken Brown, faculty member, Forestry and the Forest Environment
 Dr. Hope-Arlene Fennell, faculty member, Education
 Dr. Ali Mirza, faculty member, Engineering
 Dr. Bill Montelpare, faculty member, Arts and Science
 Professor Gerry Phillips, faculty member, Business Administration
 Dr. Margaret Johnston, faculty member selected by LUFA

Mike Blower, Student, LUSU Executive
 Brent Comeau, Student
 Ella Uremovich, Unionized Staff
 Becky Hurley, Non-unionized Staff
 Corinne Fox, Aboriginal Management Council
 Jackie Dojack, Board of Governors
 Bill McDermott, Board of Governors
 Dr. Jim Gellert, Acting Vice-President (Academic)
 Dr. John Whitfield, Vice-President (Research and Development)
 Grant Walsh, Executive Director, University Services
 Dr. Bahram Dadgostar, Dean of Business Administration (Faculty Dean)
 Dr. David Kemp, Acting Dean of Arts and Science (Faculty Dean)
 Dr. Connie Nelson, Dean of Graduate Studies and Research
 Joy Himmelman, Director of Student Services
 Kerrie-Lee Clarke, Director of Institutional Analysis
 Pentti Paularinne, Registrar
 David Heald, Alumni Association member from Thunder Bay
 (one seat open for Alumni Association member from the region)
 Beverley Stefureak, Secretary (non-voting)

These people were selected or appointed to provide a balance of new and established perspectives, youth and experience, as well as gender. It should be a dynamic group. All steps in this complex process will be open, and I will comment on progress in future articles in the *Agora*.

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From the President's Desk*continued from page 4*

Some changes have been made in central administration. Dr. John Whitfield is the new vice-president (research and development). This position will strengthen our relationships with external agencies and help the University further grow its research as well as co-ordinate efforts in fund raising, alumni affairs, and University promotion. Lakehead must be viewed as a valued partner with industry, government, business, and First Nations' interests. There have been a few titular changes to reflect position functions. For example, Kerrie-Lee Clarke is director of institutional analysis and will provide data and analytical input to the decision-making process and will be particularly important in making information available for strategic planning. Joy Himmelman is, again, solely director of student services, a full-time responsibility. Institutional Analysis, International Activities (Dan Pakulak), and Communications (Denise Bruley and Frances Harding) all report directly to the president. Bev Stefureak will function as my executive assistant. It is my hope that these personnel changes will assist the University in conducting its business, create a more efficient and effective working environment and better co-ordinate key functions to position and market Lakehead.

I look forward to getting to know you, the University, the City, and the region better. It is my expectation that Lakehead has the ability to become a global player in higher education without losing sight of its Northwestern Ontario roots. Together we must articulate the vision and mandate of this institution and position it for long-term success. The future should be both exciting and productive. ■



***The Installation
of the President and
Vice-Chancellor
of
Lakehead University
DR. FREDERICK F. GILBERT
will take place on
Saturday, October 31, 1998
at the Thunder Bay Community
Auditorium***

***Following the Installation
Ceremony, the Chancellor
welcomes all members of the
University Community to the
Chancellor's Luncheon to be held
in the Main Cafeteria at
Lakehead University
11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.***

Lakehead University Centre for Analytical Services

**Highlights from the
LUCAS Annual General Meeting
held September 3, 1998**

While revenues for 1997-98 were five per cent lower than last year, the long-range forecast shows an increase in gross revenue, and a steady rise in all the intrinsic values this unique partnership of university laboratories and research teams offers the community. These include:

- additional funds for the purchase of research equipment,
- access to up-to-date facilities by undergraduate and graduate students,
- increased research opportunities for faculty,
- job creation and training opportunities for students and graduates,
- an enhanced image of Lakehead University.

This year, two new members joined LUCAS: The Resource Centre for Occupational Health and Safety, directed by Ina Chomysyn, and LEVTEK. LEVTEK is managed by Peter Levis in association with the Chemical Engineering Department and offers specialized pulp testing to regional pulp and paper operations.

Two bursaries supported by the Aquatic Toxicology Research Centre (ATRC) and the Lakehead University Environmental Lab (LUEL) were created this year and to date \$46,000 has been contributed in support of student financial aid.

Information about these and other projects will be covered in future issues of the *Agora*. For more information about LUCAS, visit their website:

www.lakeheadu.ca/~lucas

or contact Allan MacKenzie at 343-8853.



New Awards for Research

The Senate Research Committee announced in April, 1998, the commencement of annual Contributions to Research Awards recognizing outstanding recent research activity by Lakehead faculty. Up to three awards of \$100 each will be given annually. These awards recognize research accomplishments in the previous three-year period, in contrast to the Distinguished Researcher Award that is typically given for accomplishments over long time spans.

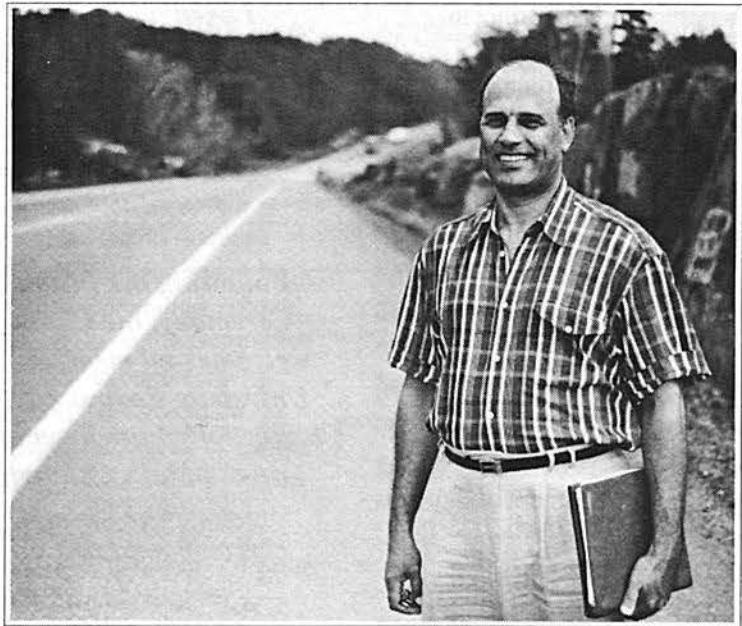
All faculty members, including sessionals, are eligible for nomination except for members of the Senate Research Committee. Only one person per department or program may be nominated in a given year. For more information refer to the Research Office website or contact the Office of Graduate Studies and Research.

1998 Contributions to Research Awards

Dr. Said Easa Civil Engineering

Dr. Said Easa is an outstanding researcher and scholar who, during the last three years, has published 32 articles in peer-reviewed journals, contributed to peer-reviewed books, acted as editor of six books sponsored by national and international engineering societies, published seven articles in professional magazines, and presented 11 papers in technical conferences.

Easa has developed a joint graduate program in transportation engineering at the master's level between Lakehead University and Carleton University in Ottawa that is currently under review by the Ontario Council on Graduate Studies (OCGS). In 1993, Easa established a PhD program in transportation between Lakehead University and Egypt where Egyptian students (financed by Egypt) come to Lakehead for two years to conduct their dissertation research, co-supervised by him and an Egyptian faculty member. One student has already graduated (in 1996), and another is currently working at Lakehead. During the past three years, Easa supervised or co-supervised four graduate students at Carleton University and Ain Shams University in Egypt. He has also supervised a NSERC postdoctoral fellow who is the first in the history of Lakehead University to be tenured in the Faculty of Engineering.

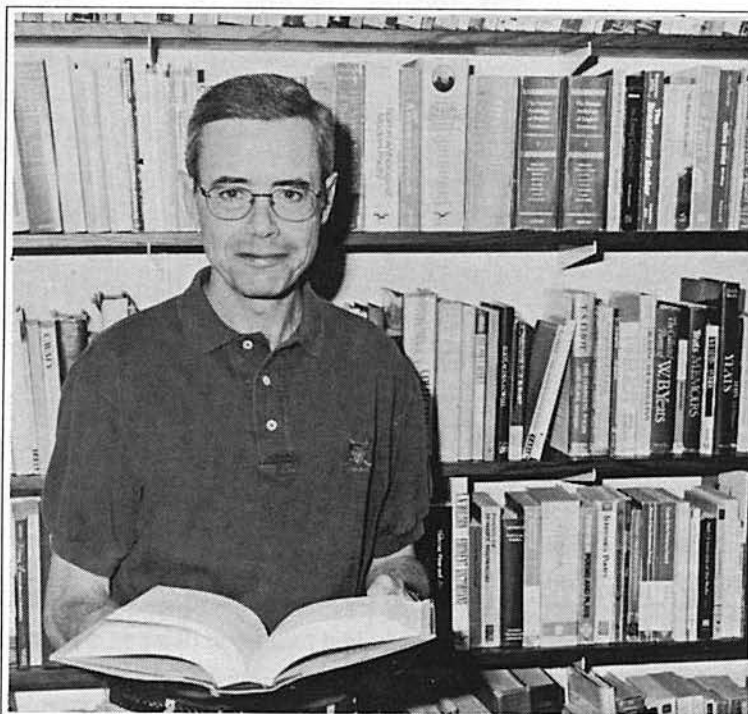


Editor's note: The information presented in this article is taken from the recipients' nomination letters.

Dr. Frederick Holmes

English

Rick Holmes is a recognized and internationally regarded expert on postmodern British fiction, most notably the work of A.S. Byatt, John Fowles and Martin Amis. His considerable work over the past three years culminates in his most recent publication, *The Historical Imagination: Postmodernism and the Treatment of the Past in Contemporary British Fiction*. This book published by an important university press is a significant contribution to the considerable contemporary scholarship focussed on the vexed question of the place of history within current literary culture. Holmes' work seeks to find valid and useful methodological frameworks within the shifting and dissolving conceptual categories of postmodernism.



Dr. Azim Mallik

Biology

Azim Mallik is one of the most productive members of the Department of Biology. In the past three years he has had three refereed book chapters published and 19 articles either published or accepted in refereed journals. As well, he has delivered eight invited lectures.

Mallik is very active in the international and national research community, both as a collaborator in research and as the organizer of the Second World Congress on Allelopathy which will be held at Lakehead in August, 1999. Mallik is an adjunct professor at the University of Western Ontario and Memorial University for the purpose of supervising graduate students at the PhD level. He has reviewed numerous manuscripts for nine Canadian and international journals and organizations.

Finally, it should be noted that he has supervised four MSc theses at Lakehead and has attracted two post-doctoral fellows.



Lakehead hosts Forest Fire Evacuees

It's not unusual for Native communities to find refuge on campus during the forest fire season. But this year, in light of the city strike, residence staff took on the added responsibility of planning recreational activities for approximately 228 people from Lansdowne House First Nation who spent 11 days at Lakehead University in July. Some of the activities organized by Lakehead staff included swimming, day care services, strawberry and sage picking outings, visits to Kakabeka Falls and Mount McKay, bingos, and movies.

Many organizations were involved including VON, Red Cross, St. John's Ambulance, the Ministry of Natural Resources, and Indian and Northern Affairs Canada. Versa Campus Services (now called ARAMARK) was especially cooperative, delivering meals to 15 of the elders who were not able to walk to the main cafeteria.

Lakehead Late Show without David Letterman

Residence programmer Brent Evans (left) and LUSU Vice-President of Student Issues Michael Lyons (right) met with Paul Shaffer in August when he was inducted into the Victoriaville Walk of Fame.

Shaffer will visit the University later this fall for the dedication of a seminar room on the ground floor of the William H. Buset Centre for Music and Visual Arts. The room will be named in honour of his mother, Shirley Eleanor Wood Shaffer.



Nor'Westers Home Games in October

October 9-10

Girls Pizza Hut High School
Basketball Tournament

Friday: 3 pm Sat: 9 am - 7:30 pm

October 17

Zanatta Alumni Games

Mens and Womens Basketball

October 17

Lakehead Wrestlers vs U of M Dual

October 30-31

Lakehead Volleyball vs Ottawa
8:30 pm

New Book

A new book by Professor Emeritus of Sociology Anita Beltran Chen entitled *From Sunbelt to Snowbelt: Filipinos in Canada* has been published by the Research Centre for Canadian Ethnic Studies, University of Calgary. The book is a collection of Dr. Chen's published articles and conference papers about Filipino Canadians based on her research for the past 20 years or so.

Despite the fact that the Philippines has been consistently ranked as one of the top 10 source countries of immigrants to Canada since the 1970s, limited attention has been given to the study of this particular ethnocultural group. In his Foreword to the book, Professor Wsevolod Isajiw of the University of Toronto writes, "... up to now, there has been no major, systematic sociological work in the English language on the Filipinos in Canada and Anita Chen's essays go a long way to fill this gap...." The book is an important source of reference to those who are interested in ethnicity and multiculturalism in Canada, both within and outside academia.

Copies of the book are available at the Alumni Bookstore.

International Activities

Department Expansion

Wendy Bons, administrative assistant, and Alex Pasquali, international student advisor, have joined Susan Burton, special project assistant, in the Department of International Activities. They report to Dan Pakulak.

Articulation Agreements Signed

During the summer, Lakehead signed an agreement with Mendel University in Brno, Czech Republic, and with Belgrade University in Belgrade, Yugoslavia. According to Prof. Crandall Benson, the agreements involve the forestry departments of each institution and will provide the opportunity for faculty and students to become involved in faculty and student exchanges, and in mutually agreeable academic activities.

Lakehead, through its articulation agreements with 18 countries, is connected to about 45 universities around the world.

Gifu Program

Once again Lakehead hosted a successful summer program for Japanese students from Gifu University of Education and Languages, although enrolment was down slightly from last year. This year 28 students were enrolled in the 13-week program and 15 students took part in the 4-week program.

Educational Fair

Lakehead will once again take part in North America's largest educational fair that has attracted over 22,000 people. It will be held September 22-23, 1998, in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Host Families Needed

Are you interested in being matched with an International student to participate in a mutually rewarding cultural exchange? For information contact the International Student Office at 343-8958.

Staff Welcome Students

Staff members from across the University, as well as friends of Lakehead in the

community were kept busy during the Labour Day weekend meeting flights and buses, bringing in international students from all over the world. Despite anxieties caused by the shutdown of Air Canada and Northwest, students were in great spirits and positive about their decision to come to Lakehead. The International Activities office is happy to welcome them all and to keep our doors open with help when needed.

Publications

Encyclopedia features work by Lakehead Engineering Faculty

Dr. V. Rao Puttagunta (Chemical Engineering) has had four papers from his research work on Bitumen Viscosity and Upgrading published in the prestigious *Encyclopedia of Chemical Processing and Design* which is indispensable to chemical engineers involved with process development and plant design everywhere in the world.

The papers were co-authored with Dr. Birbal Singh (Mechanical Engineering) and Dr. Adango Miadonye, Commonwealth Research Fellow.

During the summer Miadonye left Lakehead to take up a position as Instructor of Chemical Engineering at University College of Cape Breton in Sydney, N.S.

Exhibitions

Duluth Art Exhibition features Lakehead Faculty

Ann Clarke, Alison Kendall, Roly Martin, Mark Nisenholt and Mavourneen Trainor were among the 14 Thunder Bay artists chosen to exhibit their work at the University of Minnesota Duluth this summer. The show was held from June 6 to August 2 at The Tweed Museum of Art, one of five units of the University's School of Fine Arts. Other Thunder Bay artists included in the "1998 Tweed Contemporary Artists Series" were Damon Dowbak, Pauline Horricks, Catherine Kozyra, Fritz Lehmberg, Lucia Masucci, Joan O'Doherty, Sean Randall, Raimo Saharinen and Roy Thomas.

Honours & Awards



Dan Pakulak accepts an honorary doctorate from Gennadii P. Kutsev, rector of Tyumen University, Siberia.

Honorary Doctorate

Dan Pakulak, Lakehead's director of International Activities, received an honorary degree this summer from Tyumen State University in western Siberia. Only three honorary degrees have ever been given to "foreigners" and Pakulak is the first North American to receive one. The honour was given to Pakulak for his service to the University which dates back 10 years when Lakehead first established contact. Since that time about 10 students from Tyumen have studied at Lakehead. Pakulak is the author of a book on Siberian Religion which was published in Russia.

Civil Engineering Students win National Award

Two 1998 civil engineering graduates, Kerri Ruddy and Carl Gibbons, won the second prize at the national undergraduate student presentation competition held at the Annual Conference of the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering, in Halifax, June 10-13, 1998. The presentation was based on a project in the final year of their degree program supervised by Dr. Said Easa with assistance from Dr. Yasser Hassan, a postdoctoral fellow at Lakehead.

The award includes a cash prize and a certificate, and the abstract of the students' presentation will be published in a future issue of the *Canadian Civil Engineer* magazine.

First-class Students land NSERC Summer Jobs

by Kris Ketonen

Thanks to an award program offered by the Natural Science and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC), five outstanding students found jobs with Lakehead faculty this summer.

They included physics majors Alvin Lau and Allan MacDairmid, geology major Mariah Mailman, and the chemistry department's Andrew Schach and Colin Vitols.

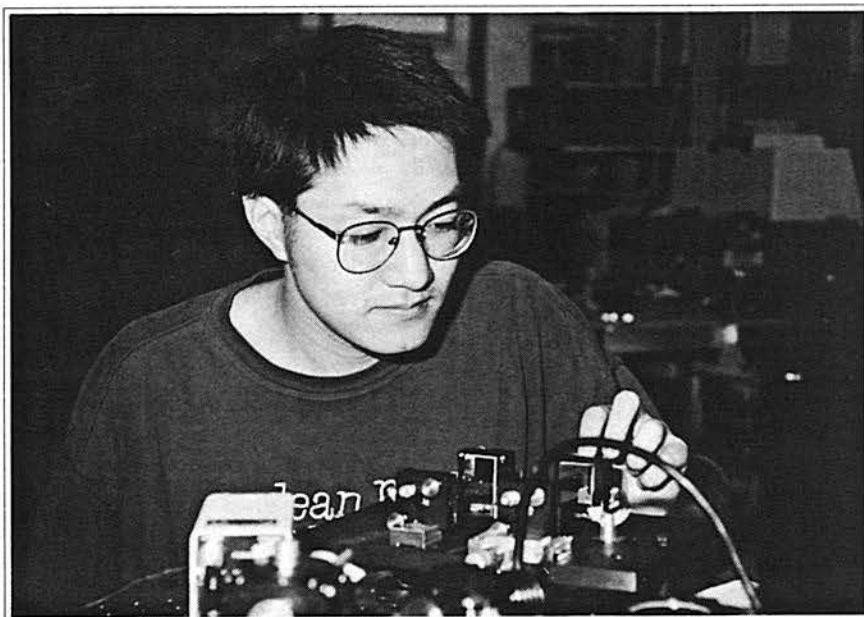
"I think the NSERC program is great," said Schach who along with Lau just completed his second stint as an NSERC award recipient. "It gives students a chance to see what the research field is all about."

The five students used their awards for a 12-16 week period this summer while working with professors who also hold NSERC research grants.

According to Lakehead's Undergraduate Scholarship/Awards Officer Tracey Marks, students interested in the program usually have to find an NSERC-funded professor who agrees to sponsor them. However, in some cases, it is the professor who will approach a student and suggest that he or she apply.

Once the application has been submitted, the students' summer job prospects are in the hands of a special Lakehead Senate committee which assesses the applicant. Students are usually selected just after Christmas.

This summer Alvin Lau found himself working with Dr. Werden Keeler of the Department of Physics developing a



Physics major Alvin Lau was one of five students to receive an NSERC award this summer. He worked with Dr. Werden Keeler on ultrafast optics research.

multiphoton excitation laser system, while Colin Vitols was helping Dr. Jeffrey Banks of the Department of Chemistry.

"It's a fantastic experience," says Vitols. "because it allows you to see how things work in an applied setting."

MacDairmid is also excited about the program. "I wanted to do some work in this field. I probably wouldn't have got this particular job without NSERC," he said.

Marks says the program helps students to clarify specific areas of interest within their discipline and often provides an opportunity for them to work with graduate students.

The program is open to all students who have a minimum B standing, although competition for the five places is stiff and most students selected have an overall A average.

Has it worked?

"It's definitely been helpful in making the decision to do graduate work," Vitols

said. "I was going to hold off on graduate work for financial reasons, but then I found out that NSERC also offers graduate scholarships."

Schach echoes the sentiment. "The NSERC experience has been invaluable and it has changed my original goal," he said, adding that he was interested in becoming a chiropractor, but now wants to continue his education to the Master's level.

This fall, Alvin Lau is studying medicine at the University of Toronto.

NSERC also funds a similar program for employing undergraduate students where the student is placed in an industrial setting with a host company. For a list of approved companies and more information about the *Industrial Research Awards Program* contact Tracey Marks at 343-8923.

Kris Ketonen is one of several Lakehead students taking part in a student writing program sponsored by The Chronicle-Journal.

Faculty Appointments

The following appointments were approved by the Board of Governors Executive Committee. The appointments are for three years from July 1, 1998, to June 30, 2001.

Dr. K. Feddersen

Chair of English

Dr. A. Gilbert

Chair of Chemical Engineering

Dr. S. Mansour

Chair of Electrical Engineering

Dr. S. Tsang

Chair of Mechanical Engineering

Dr. A. Gillies

Chair of Civil Engineering

Dr. B. Lorch

Chair of Geography

Dr. L. McDougall

Director of Nursing

Dr. P. Mah

Chair of Mathematics and Statistics

Dr. D. West

Chair of Political Science

Professor N. Bonsor

Chair of Economics

Dr. T. Dunk

Chair of Sociology

Dr. I. Newhouse

Chair of Kinesiology



Visit The "New" Chancellor Paterson Library

The renovations to The Chancellor Paterson Library have been completed after four years of moving books, desks and staff. The Library is in the process of organizing all collections in their final locations and preparing signage for the Main Floor. Highlighted below are some of the sources and services you will find on each floor:

First/Main Floor	Circulation Desk Reference Desk Reference Collection Indexes and Abstracts (Print and Electronic) Online Catalogue Current Newspapers Microforms InterLibrary Loan/Document Delivery Service Statistics Canada and Census Publications
Second Floor	Periodicals - back issues are on the main part of the floor - the single current issue is in the "Current Issues Reading Room"
Third Floor	Books with call numbers from A to L
Fourth Floor	Books with call numbers from M to Z
Fifth Floor	Administrative Offices Bibliographic Processing Northern Studies Resource Centre
Ground Floor	Government Publications (CODOC) Storage Collections

Tours for Faculty

If you would like to arrange for a tour of the Library please contact Gisella Scalese, Orientation Librarian, at 343-8147 or gscalse@sky.lakeheadu.ca

Library Instruction for Classes

The library can help your students make their way through the masses of information available and can also help to acquaint your students with important library resources in their subject area. If you would like to arrange a subject-specific library instruction session please contact Gisella Scalese, Orientation Librarian, at extension 8147 or gscalse@sky.lakeheadu.ca.

**Watch for future announcements
about the Official Opening of the Library**

Trivia

Question: What did Susan Lister, Bill Bragnalo, Rita Blais, Sandi Covino, Heather Williams, Jim Squier, Tony Gillies, Rhonda Kelly, Rebecca Counts and Leslie Dack have in common in 1987-89?

Answer: They were the members of the Board of Directors during Nanabijou Childcare Centre's first year of operation. Find out more about their Anniversary celebration on page 12.

Calendar of Events

"Literary Modalities of Praise" Conference

Lakehead University

October 2-4, 1998

The Department of English is hosting a conference that will engage a critical inquiry into the purposes and paradoxes of praise, not only among literary discourse communities, but also within literary texts and contexts. Constance Rooke of the University of Guelph will give a keynote address at the banquet on Friday night. On Saturday and Sunday, papers will be given by faculty from Canadian universities as well as Cambridge, Cornell, and the University of Minnesota. Lakehead faculty presenting at the conference include Prof. Susan Tiura, Prof. Joan Dolphin, Dr. Kim Feddersen, and Dr. Michael Richardson. The event is being sponsored by Lakehead University, the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, and the Valhalla Inn.

For information contact Dr. Alice den Otter, Department of English, at 343-8281.

Happy Birthday Nanabijou

October 3, 1998

Nanabijou Childcare Centre has been offering peace of mind to faculty, staff and students through licensed, quality, affordable childcare right here on the campus for the past 10 years ... and they want to celebrate!

In honour of its 10th anniversary, the Board of Directors and staff at Nanabijou Childcare centre have planned a Birthday Party. All alumni of Nanabijou as well as those who may someday be alumni, are welcome to join us in the Agora on Saturday, October 3, between 1 and 3 p.m. for an afternoon of refreshments, fun and birthday cake followed by a tour of Nanabijou Childcare Centre.

As a non-profit organization developed and administered by parent and community volunteers, the Centre wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone from the Lakehead University and Thunder Bay community who donated the past 10 years worth of time and talent to make Nanabijou Childcare Centre a reality.

NEXT SUMMER...

Lakehead University will host the Second World Congress on Allelopathy: Critical Analysis and Future Prospects

August 9-13, 1999

For information contact Dr. Azim Mallik at the Department of Biology at 343-8927.

Allelopathy refers to any process involving secondary metabolites of plant, fungal and microbial origin that influence growth and development of other plants and microbes. Research in allelopathy includes production, accumulation, degradation and function of secondary metabolites, and their significance in natural and seminatural ecosystems. Biological control of undesirable plants and microbes in agricultural, forestry and ecological systems is part of the objectives.

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