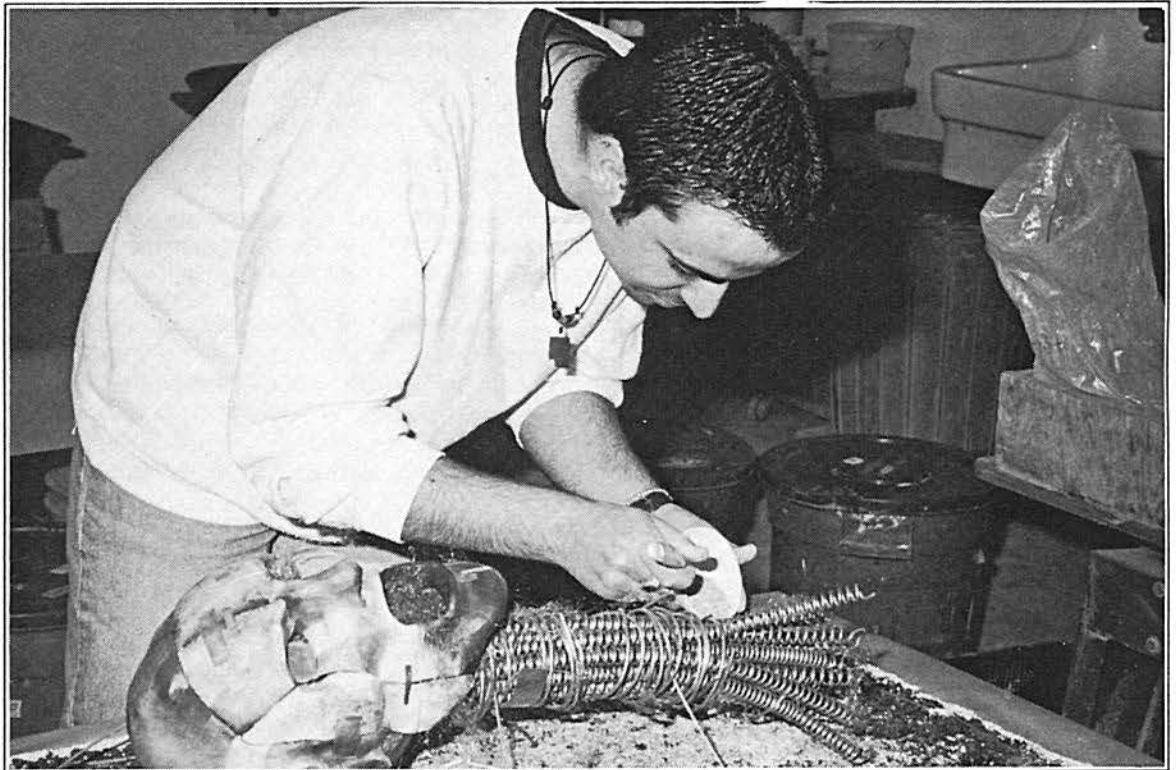




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A NEWSLETTER FOR LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY STAFF & FACULTY

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The Department of Visual Arts prepares for the
20th Annual

LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY STUDENT JURIED EXHIBITION

*at the Thunder Bay Art Gallery
March 21 - April 6*

An exhibition featuring the best work in a variety of
media by Visual Arts students from the 1996-97
academic year.

*Opening Reception and Awards Presentation:
Friday, March 21, 1997 at 7:30 p.m.
and the*

LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY MAJOR STUDIO EXHIBITION

April 11 - April 20

Students present selections of their work as a final
requirement for their fourth year studio course in
Visual Arts.



STAFF NEWS

Employment notices have been issued by the Human Resources Department to announce the appointment of the following people (up to and including March 3, 1997):

Mariann Figeri, Financial Aid Assistant, Student Services and Community Relations

Conrad Hagstrom, Technologist, Civil Engineering

Ahmad Hage, Technologist, Mechanical Engineering

Simon Di, Academic Advisor, CTRC/Math/Library

Wayne Wrigley, Custodian I, Campus Development

Helen Bilcowski, transferred to a position as Cashier, Bookstore

Donna Miller, Chief of Security, Security Department

Eldon Lawrence, Electrician, Campus Development

G. Scott Martin, Campus Engineer, Campus Development

Brenda Marrier, Senior Computer Operator II, CTRC

Tracey Muldoon, Library Clerk

Rob McNally, Receiver/Shipper Lead Hand

Lyne Patterson, Software Technician, CTRC

Christine Nielsen, CTRC Network Engineer

Lorianne Fleming, Trade/Special Orders Clerk



EXPANDING TIES TO THE UKRAINE

Lakehead has established links with the State Academy of Civil Engineering and Architecture in Dnepropetrovsk, an influential city of 3 million located in the eastern part of Ukraine.

Since September, two students from the State Academy (Larysa Turko and Dimitri Nikitin) have been studying arts at Lakehead and two more students are expected to arrive next September. Although Lakehead students have not yet made plans to go to Ukraine, two faculty members are considering a trip to Dnepropetrovsk to further their research: Dr. George Kondor of the Department of Economics and Dr. Walter Epp of the Faculty of Education.

Earlier this month, the Rector of the State Academy, Professor V.I. Bolshakov, and the Vice-Rector, Professor Boris DiKarev, visited Thunder Bay to discuss a proposal for Lakehead University to welcome between 15 and 20 students from Dnepropetrovsk this summer in a language and Canadian cultural studies program similar to the one that exists between Lakehead and Gifu University of Education and Languages in Japan.

According to Dan Pakulak, Lakehead's Director of Continuing Education, both institutions have a great deal to gain by expanding ties. Lakehead will benefit from the influx of international students and the increased potential for faculty and student exchanges with a historic city in an exotic part of the world. Dnepropetrovsk will benefit from the exposure to North American concepts and practices embedded in Lakehead's arts, education, engineering and language programs. As well, increased ties with Lakehead will assist Ukraine in gaining the necessary skills to address a critical need: that of updating and re-writing textbooks into Ukrainian from English.

In a recent article published in *The Wall Street Journal* about "the town that leaves most Westerners tongue-tied," Dnepropetrovsk is described as producing no fewer than 220 top national politicians including Ukrainian President Leonid Kuchma. Even Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev came from the city. Until things changed under Gorbachov in 1989, the city was the site of the world's largest nuclear-rocket factory and therefore closed to all foreigners.

Today the State Academy of Civil Engineering and Architecture is proud of its links with institutions in France, Poland, Holland and Germany as well as with another Canadian university -- the University of Waterloo. "We get a lot of students from Lyon, France, who find employment in their own country after studying and working in the industrial setting at Dnepropetrovsk," says Bolshakov. "They like the city, the lifestyle, and the fact that we are so close to the Black Sea." -- *Frances Harding*



Susan Burton, Larysa Turko, Professor V.I. Bolshakov and Dan Pakulak discuss expanding links with the Ukraine.



Dionne Filiatrault (BEng'95), Technical Advisor to the Nunavut Water Board, was a keynote speaker at the first Civil Engineering Conference held at Lakehead in March. She will be featured in an upcoming issue of Lakehead's alumni magazine.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Association of Canadian Universities for Northern Studies has issued a call for papers for the 5th National Students' Conference on Northern Studies November 28-30 at Simon Fraser University in Vancouver, B.C. The deadline for submission of session abstracts is September 5, 1997. Enquiries should be directed to ACUNS Student Conference, Simon Fraser University at Harbour Centre, Suite 100-515 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6B 5K3, telephone: (604) 291-5216 or Email: vaune_adams@sfu.ca

WRESTLERS CAPTURE GOLD AT CIAU CHAMPIONSHIPS

On March 1, two Lakehead wrestlers struck gold at the CIAU Wrestling Championships held in Hamilton, Ontario. Mike Thomas had a decisive victory in the 82 kg class while Rob Smyth edged out the reigning senior champ in the 65 kg category. As a result of Smyth's superior upset, he was named CIAU Wrestler of the Year. Other Lakehead wrestlers included Ray Gowlett, nabbing the Bronze, Richard Walsh and Shane Comeau, both placing 4th, Jay Hemming, 6th, and Torben Jensen taking 7th place. -- *Andrew Monahan*

AWARD OF ACHIEVEMENT



Last month Lakehead's Assistant Registrar (Systems and Records) Brenda Nelson received an Award of Achievement from the Ontario University Registrars' Association (OURA), an organization in records and systems, admissions, liaison, scholarships and awards, and graduate studies.

Nelson earned the prestigious Award because of her service on the Records and Systems Standing Committee and the Executive, as well as her participation in numerous professional development workshops.

Now a Member Emeritus, Brenda Nelson speaks highly of the OURA and what it has given her throughout her 18-year involvement.

"Receiving peer recognition is the highest honour you can get," she says.

- Andrew Monahan

THE CHANCELLOR PATERSON LIBRARY EXTENDED HOURS

*Will apply from
March 21 to April 25*

Monday to Thursday
8:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.
Friday
8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Saturday
10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Sunday
12:00 noon to 11:30 p.m.

*Note: Friday April 25 the library
will close at 6:00 p.m.*

Easter Weekend Hours:

Good Friday, March 28
CLOSED
Saturday, March 29
10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday, March 30
12:00 noon to 11:30 p.m.
Easter Monday, March 31
10:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

HEALTH ISSUES FOR ACTIVE WOMEN

The CIAU Women's Basketball Tournament Committee presented a free talk on Healthy Eating, Osteoporosis, Eating Disorders and Amenorrhea on March 15 in conjunction with the CIAU Tournament. The event was sponsored by Shoppers Drug Mart and Shoppers Home Health Care.



EMPLOYEE SERVICE RECOGNITION

On Wednesday, April 16, 1997, the President will be hosting the Employee Service Recognition Reception to honour employees who have served Lakehead University for 20 and 30 years and those employees who are retiring in 1997.

On Thursday, April 17, 1997, the President will be hosting the Quarter-Century Club Dinner to honour new and present members of the 25-Year Club who have dedicated 25 years of service to the University.

We would like to include in these events individuals with a break in employment (i.e. left their employment with the University and were later re-hired) but whose total years of service at the University is 20 years or greater.

Since information on this type of non-consecutive service is not available on the Human Resources data base, all those who fall into this group are asked to contact the Department of Human Resources at 343-8334 as soon as possible so that they may be appropriately recognized.

Thank you!

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIERS CLAIM ONTARIO CROWN

The Lakehead cross country ski team travelled to the OWIAA/OUAA Provincial Championships on the weekend of Feb. 22-23 in North Bay, Ontario. The women's team consisted of Megan McTavish, Tasha Betcherman, Lana Puumala, Katherine Sodek, and Joanna Gillies. The men's team included Kevin Denston, Kris Heale, Marc Vien, Craig Storey, Kerry Abols, and John Ahokas.

The men's team placed a very respectable second overall in the OUAA's with some stellar performances over the weekend. On the women's side, strong skiing and superb talent earned Lakehead the OWIAA Championship. Both teams saw members inducted to the Canadian All-Star list representing the strongest university skiers in the Province.

Coaching the team this season is Rodney Puumala, a graduate student in the MSc. Sport Science & Coaching program. Puumala has skied for the Lakehead University Nordic team in the past, and being a resident of Thunder Bay, he is a familiar face at most of the local nordic ski events. Assisting Puumala this season is Lisa Patterson, another former Lakehead Nordic member and ex-National Team member. Patterson brings her experience as a Level 3 coach and athlete, both very helpful for the team according to Puumala. - AM

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LAST CHANCE TO WIN

Tickets for the LU-OSOTF raffle will be sold up until Wednesday, March 26, with the draw taking place the following day at 12 noon in the Avila Centre. There is a total of \$7,000 worth of prizes to be won including a Kona Fire Mountain Rock Shox mountain bike, a custom-made backpack from Ostrom Outdoors, and a return limousine ride to the Unicorn Inn for dinner. Tickets are \$2 (3/\$5) and can be purchased at the LUSU office and from various venues on campus.

For information contact Noël Keag at 343-8631.



Dr. Robert G. Rosehart
President, Lakehead University

LU-OSOTF

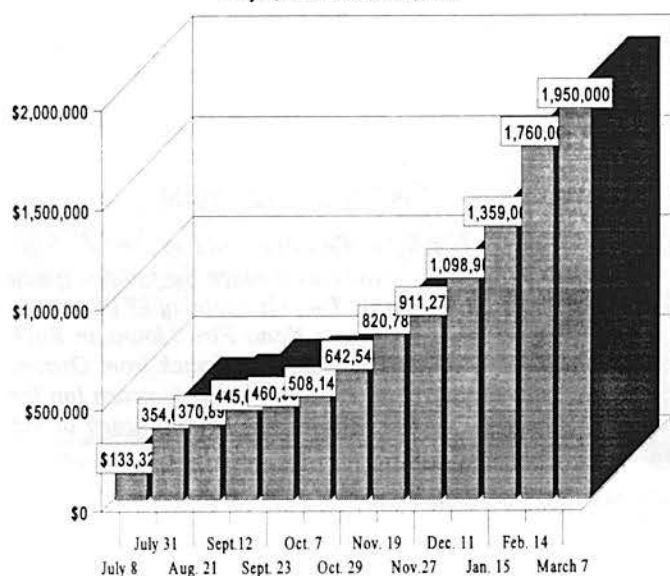
THE DEADLINE APPROACHES

The March 31, 1997, pledge deadline for OSOTF is in sight, and our results, to date, continue to grow. As of March 12, 1997, we have passed through the \$2 million mark of pledged funds which will be matched by \$2 million more from the Harris Government. All of this endowed money will help with the affordability of university for our future students. Just as with the RRSP season (which ended this year on March 1), March 31, at midnight, is "the end." If you have been thinking about it, now is the time to decide to pledge (even if it is 11:59 p.m.), and give Jo-Anne Silverman, Joy Himmelman, or me a call. This is a unique opportunity which, to date, has created over 165 new named awards.

I can't add very much to the progress chart shown below!

OSOTF Progress Chart

July 8, 1996 to March 7, 1997



Over 90% of the funding has been raised locally, and it is important to note that, internally, the Lakehead University community has shown its commitment to this program and the future of the University. The Lakehead University Student Union recently pledged \$40,000 to LU-OSOTF.

LINKS TO CUBA

Professor Lynes' visit to the University of Matanzas, Cuba, and the Instituto Superior Pedagogico

Dr. Jeanette Lynes, of the Department of English at Lakehead University, visited the above two institutions on February 13, 14 and 18. During these three days, she met with university officials, faculty and students to discuss developing links with Lakehead. She also made two presentations to students on Canadian literature, and she consulted extensively with the Chair of Canadian Studies at the University of Matanzas about the program he is developing.

Both institutions are extremely keen on collaborating with Lakehead in terms of student and faculty exchanges, and more generally in terms of expanding cultural horizons and sharing professional expertise. There is potential for exchange in the following fields: education, science and engineering, tourism, history, cultural studies, social sciences, language and literature studies.

Dr. Lynes, Dr. Ron Harpelle of the Department of History, and others are working on a CIDA microfund proposal to enhance and further define this developing relationship.



Dr. Lynes is pictured above with two faculty members from the Instituto Superior Pedagogico in Cuba.

REPORT FROM THE EAST

Dr. John Whitfield called in the other day to report on a very successful alumni reunion meeting in Hong Kong. Some 45 Lakehead University graduates participated and are keen on re-establishing relationships with Lakehead University. The graduates are doing very well and, after the dinner, they contributed funds to the LU-OSOTF. More on this event later from Dr. Whitfield.

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AGORA

Readership Survey

Please take a few minutes to complete this survey and return it to the Information Office by inter-office mail or by fax 343-8999 before April 21, 1997.

1. The AGORA is published 10 times a year. How often do you read the Agora?

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- 5 ☐ attended advertised events on campus

4. Listed below are some of AGORA's regular sections. Please check the items you read.

- 1 ☐ **Cover Story** (article on page 1)
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- 3 ☐ **Report from the President** (article by Dr. Bob Rosehart)
- 4 ☐ **Research News** (profiles about Lakehead University researchers)
- 5 ☐ **People, Presentations, Publications** (submitted by faculty)
- 6 ☐ **What's Happening in the Library**
- 7 ☐ **People and Programs**
- 8 ☐ **Faces** (profiles of new staff and faculty)
- 9 ☐ **Forum** (opinion pieces and articles on topics of general interest)
- 10 ☐ **News From Human Resources** (DownUnder)
- 11 ☐ **Calendar** (list of up-coming events on back page)

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- 1__ Male
2__ Female

6. Are you ...

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4 Health, Safety, Campus Security	___	___	___
5 Varsity Sports/Fieldhouse Activities	___	___	___
6 Research/Scholarship	___	___	___
7 Alumni	___	___	___
8 LUSU/Student Activities	___	___	___
9 Employee Benefits	___	___	___
10 Staff/Faculty Appointments & Awards	___	___	___
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12 Communications Technology	___	___	___
13 Other (specify)	___	___	___

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1 __ agree 2 __ disagree 3 __ neutral

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(Our FAX Number is 343-8999)

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Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Thank you!

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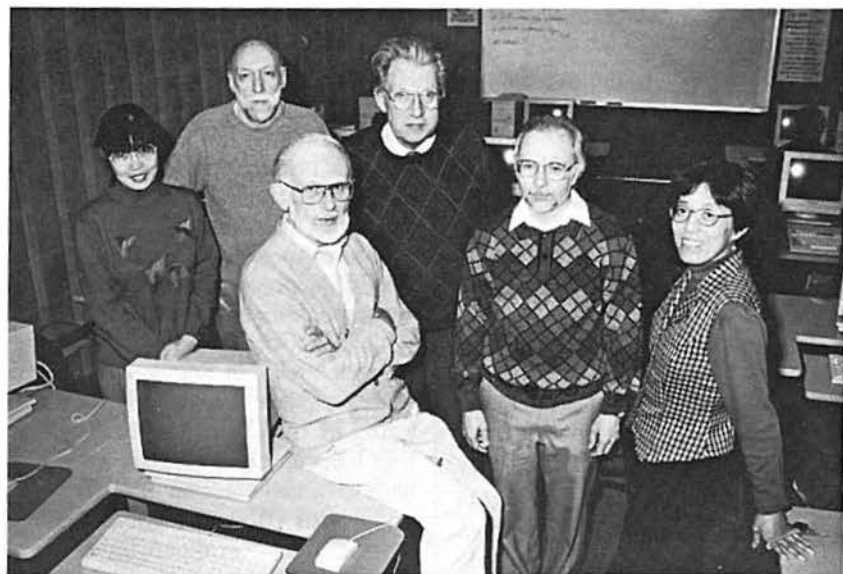
LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY

May 23-27, 1997

<http://www.lakeheadu.ca~cmesgwww/gcdem97.html>

The 21st Annual Meeting of CMESG/GCEDM opens at 17:00 hours on Friday, May 23 and closes at noon Tuesday, May 27, 1997. All sessions will be held in the Regional Centre at Lakehead University. The on-site organization committee includes Dr. Medhat Rahim, Coordinator (Education), Dr. Gerry Vervoort (Education), Dr. Keith Roy (Mathematics and Statistics), Marilyn Hurrell, Joe Hall, Emilia Veltri (Lakehead Board of Education), Bill Otto (Lakehead District Roman Catholic Board of Education). You are invited to join us for CMESG 1997.

Lakehead University will host over 70 mathematicians and mathematical educators from all over Canada, the United States, and Europe.



Several endowed bursaries have been created by groups on campus including the School of Mathematical Sciences: Back Row (L-R) Dr. Julie Zhou, Dr. Keith Roy, Dr. Gerry Vervoort. Front Row (l-r) Dr. Clement Kent, Dr. Maurice Benson, Dr. Wendy Huang; Missing: Dr. Bill Allaway. It's not too late to make a pledge to LU-OSOTF. Call Jo-Anne Silverman for details before March 31, 1997.

ENROLMENT MANAGEMENT

Kerrie-Lee Clarke and Dr. John Whitfield welcome your input on this initiative. It is expected that, shortly after April 1, 1997, a short-term action plan will be finalized. It is clear that the biggest challenge that we now face is the issue of enrolment. It is also increasingly clear from the input received to date on the enrolment management initiative, that retention initiatives are equally as important as new recruitment efforts.

OPERATING BUDGET

1997-98

The annual open budget meeting will be held on Monday, March 17, 1997 to give all faculty and staff an opportunity to have input to our budget development for this coming year. From what I have seen to date it is going to be a difficult budget in the light of current enrolment projections. Details presented at the above meeting will also reflect on the impact of various tuition options for next year. It is probable that, to some extent, the significant fee increase of last year and the steady drift upwards of tuition over the past five years are having a serious impact on our applications. This is true not only with the high school applicants but also with the regular applicant stream.

MORE V.E.R.?

(Voluntary Early Retirements)

It is clear that, other than the programs we have already committed to, we are not in a position to repeat the program of last year because of the up-front cost. Having said that, however, if individuals are contemplating early retirement and/or career changes, you should talk informally either to myself or to Bill Bragnalo in Human Resources.

SHAD VALLEY PROGRAM DIRECTOR

(Summer '98 Tentative)

As a result of the successful Shad Valley Seminar held on campus recently, expressions of interest are requested from science and entrepreneurship oriented faculty who would consider being the Lakehead University Campus Program Director for the summer of 1998. The final decision on offering the Shad Valley program on the Lakehead University campus will be made in approximately six months based on the availability of industrial sponsorships. If you are interested, please contact either myself or Dr. Martin Oosterveld at 767-3082 prior to April 15, 1997.



Tell Us How We're Doing

The Information Office is in the process of drafting

Editorial Guidelines

to assist the staff in publishing a newsletter that meets the needs of Lakehead University.

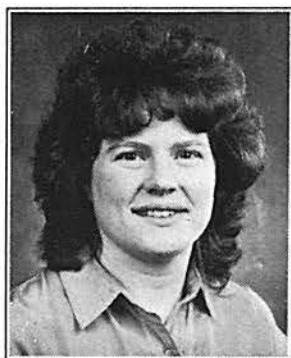
In an effort to learn what YOU think about the AGORA, we've prepared a 4-page Readership Survey which is included in this issue.

Please take a few moments to complete the questionnaire and return it to us before

April 21, 1997.

We'll share the results with you in a future issue.

-- Staff



CHRISTINE GOTTARDO

Department of Chemistry

Christine Gottardo's interest in chemistry took her to the University of Guelph where she completed all of her post-secondary education, including a PhD in 1994. Since moving to Thunder Bay last September to accept the position of Assistant Professor, she has been busy teaching Organic Chemistry courses and establishing a laboratory to continue her research efforts.

Gottardo recently completed an NSERC application to continue research on enediynes and their role in the cleavage of DNA. This research is termed "pseudo" cancer research because the compounds being prepared serve as simple models of compounds which have shown promise in cancer treatment.

In the meantime, she is looking forward to developing and teaching some new courses for the Chemistry department, advising more graduate students, and further settling into her new surroundings at Lakehead.

Christine Gottardo and her husband find Thunder Bay appealing -- especially the cross-country skiing, canoeing, and rock climbing. -- *Andrew Monahan*

CONGRESS OF LEARNED SOCIETIES

May 31 - June 14, 1997

The Congress of Learned Societies is being held at Memorial University of Newfoundland, May 31 to June 14, 1997.

For information contact David Graham, Coordinator, at Memorial by E-mail: learneds@morgan.ucs.mun.ca

PUBLICATIONS

Dr. Thomas M.K. Song (Professor Emeritus, Kinesiology) co-authored "Somatotype and Cardiovascular Risk factors in Healthy Adults," *American Journal of Human Biology*, Volume 9: pp11-19, 1997. The study was done in collaboration with Dr. Robert Malina and Dr. Peter Katzmarzyk of the Institute for the Study of Youth Sports, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, and Dr. German Thériault and Claude Bouchard, Physical Activity Sciences Laboratory, Laval University, Ste-Foy, Québec.

Dr. Laure Paquette (Political Science) "Arms Trade and Arms Control in Mainland China, 1989-1992," *Issues and Studies* published by National Chengchi University of Taipei.

Dr. Jeanette Lynes (English) and Herb Wyle (University of Alberta) "Regionalism: Reconstruction or Deconstruction?" *Diverse Landscapes: Re-Reading Place Across Culture in Contemporary Canadian Writing*, ed. Karin Beeler & Dee Horne, UNBC Press 1996. Lynes also published poems in the following journals: *Whetstone* (University of Lethbridge), *Kairos* (Mohawk College, Hamilton), *Textshop* (University of Regina).

Dr. Medhat Rahim (Education) "Episodes in Mathematics for the Classroom" *Ontario Mathematics Gazette*, Vol. 35, No.1, p. 6-9, 1996; "Turtle and Coordinate Geometry for a Secondary Environment, *The Logo Exchange Journal-The International Society of Technology in Education*, Vol. 14, No. 3 p. 22-26, 1996; "Exploring Shape-Transforms through cut and cover: The Boy with the Ruler," *The Mathematics Teaching Journal* (UK), Vol. 154, p. 23-29, 1996; "Exploring Geometric and Trigonometric Properties of Triangular Shapes through Computer Assisted Instruction Sessions for the Middle and High School Mathematics Classroom -- The SSS Case," *Ontario Mathematics Gazette*, Vol. 34, No. 1, p. 7-13, 1995.

CONFERENCES

The 29th Algonquian Conference will be held at Lakehead University October 24-26, 1997. Papers are invited on all topics pertaining to Algonquian peoples, including Ojibwe, Cree, Micmac, Blackfoot, Delaware, and other Algonquian groups in Canada and the United States. The Conference traditionally deals with art, archaeology, ethnology, history, linguistics, music, literature, philosophy, political studies,

religion, and other areas. For information contact John O'Meara (Education) at 343-8054; E-mail: john.omeara@lakeheadu.ca; WorldWideWeb site: <http://www.lakeheadu.ca/~AlgConf97>

PEOPLE

Dr. M.K. Song has been appointed a Fellow Emeritus of the American College of Sports Medicine.

Dr. Jeanette Lynes gave a poetry reading as part of Hamilton's "Lit Live" series on November 24, 1996.

Dr. Medhat Rahim has been selected by The Citizen Ambassador Program of People to People International as a team member of a delegation of educational technology and instructional design professionals to visit South Africa in 1997. The program is centered at the University of Georgia, Department of Educational Technology, U.S.A. The delegation will explore the history, philosophy, theory, and practice of educational communications and related programs in South Africa.

Rahim has been invited to participate and contribute to Working Group 3.1 (Secondary Education) of the International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP) conference on the topic "Secondary School Mathematics in The World of Communication Technology: Learning, Teaching and The Curriculum." The conference will take place in Villard de Lans Resort, the Alps, Grenoble, France, October 26-31, 1997. The participation is by invitation only and restricted to 90 participants around the world.

PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Laurie J. Garred (Chemical Engineering) was one of two international experts invited to address the Annual Conference of the Lombardy Section of the Italian Society of Nephrology in Bormio, Italy, September 13-14, 1996. The talk was entitled "Urea Kinetic Modelling with On-line Urea Sensors." Also in September, Garred presented a paper entitled "Real-time Monitoring of Urea Kinetics Based on an On-line Concentration Sensor" at the Fourteenth Annual Meeting of the International Society of Blood Purification in Paris, France. The interval between the two conferences was spent working with researchers at the National Research Council in Padua, Italy, and at the Lapeyronie University Hospital in Montpellier, France. Garred has on-going collaborative research projects at both institutions.

LAKEHEAD'S PRESENCE ON THE WORLD WIDE WEB

by Andrew Monahan

Carol Otte, Lakehead's Supervisor of Micro Computer Services, is coordinating the work of a World Wide Web Committee charged with drafting a policy that will govern Lakehead's presence on the Internet. The Committee's aim is not to act in a restrictive or demanding manner, but rather to maximize the value and increase the professionalism of Lakehead University's web page.

One of the aims of the Committee is to assign ownership and responsibility to specific areas of the web site in order to reduce duplication, and increase clarity and accuracy. As an example, Otte cites a problem that might occur if dates and course information posted on individual faculty and department web pages were different from those established by the Registrar's office.

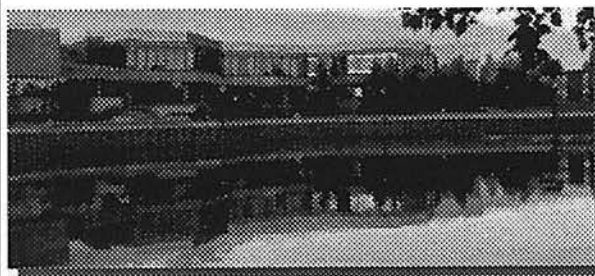
"The Web Page should be treated as an official University publication and it must be given some direction" says Otte. "However, we don't want to discourage creativity. If the Department of Visual Arts wants to do something new and exciting, we don't want to stop them. We just want to ensure that their page conforms to the agreed upon University style guide -- such as using the University crest and full name ("Lakehead University" not "LU")."

To facilitate a more efficient use of Lakehead's web page, the WWW Committee will be providing training in the use of some of the equipment and software associated with the world wide web. Templates, which can be easily completed by individuals and departments wishing to post items on the web, are another way to encourage efficient use of the Lakehead web page.

Otte says a permanent half-time position of "Webmaster" is also currently under review. Such a position would see one person taking responsibility for all activity relating to Lakehead's web page, a job previously handled by a variety of people based upon availability.

Lakehead's WWW Committee is encouraging interested staff and faculty to share their ideas with Carol Otte at 343-8408, or by E-mail: cotte@sky.lakeheadu.ca

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*Created and maintained by Subby Szterszky
Last updated on March 7, 1997
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A MESSAGE FROM CTRC

by Carol Otte

A Problem of Dependence

Staff and faculty at Lakehead realize their dependence on networking when the network does not work. Network problems were frequent on campus during the month of February due to hardware failures in the main router. (A router is a device that moves information between networks.) The failure meant that the servers could not connect to the users. CTRC ordered and has installed a new router to alleviate some network problems.

Researchers Take Heart

CTRC has upgraded the Sleet teaching/research computer: a Sun 670 SparcServer was replaced by a Sun Ultra Enterprise 3000. The new Sleet is an advance of two generations in Sun hardware from the old Sleet. Anyone using the new computer system should notice a significant improvement in processing speed. Sun Microsystems, Inc. is one of the largest U.S. computer manufacturers. The Sun 2 and 3 series of workstations and servers were based on the Motorola 680x0 family of microprocessors and the Sun 4 series on the SPARC. Sun also produces their own version of Unix, originally called SunOS and now Solaris.



CIAU Women's Basketball Championship

A Celebration of Women's Sport

by Andrew Monahan

The University of Manitoba Bisons have now won their second CIAU championship in as many years. The gold medal match was played Sunday afternoon, March 16 in the Thunderdome and featured the Bisons against the York University Yeowomen. Both teams played excellent basketball, keeping the crowd entertained for the duration. The final score showed Manitoba on top 73-62.

Our own Lady Nor'westers played an excellent game against the University of Toronto Blues on Friday, but fell short with a final score of 73-59. This put the team up against the Concordia Stingers on the Consolation side. The Stingers easily outplayed the Lady Nor'wester with a final score of 76-48, putting Lakehead out of the tournament.

Other events surrounding the tournament included a seminar on Health Issues for Active Women at the Victoria Inn attended by over 30 people. With Lakehead University being the semi-permanent site for the CIAU's over the next two years, organizers are trying to broaden the scope of the event to make it more than just a basketball tournament.

Department of Political Science
presents a

PUBLIC LECTURE

featuring

Audrey O'Brien

Principal Clerk

with the House of Commons
will speak on

"The Changing Role of Parliament in Canadian Politics"

Thursday, March 20, 1997

10:00 a.m.

in room 1075 of the Braun Building

BIOLOGY AND FORESTRY SEMINARS

Thursday, March 20, 1997 11:30 AM
Nicholas Escott and team, Thunder Bay Regional Hospital UC 0050: "Pathology as a career choice in the 1990s."

Monday, March 24, 1997 4:30 PM
Dr. Leni Meyer, Faculty of Forestry. A slide presentation and talk on "Soils trip through Ghana." Location: BB1021

Monday, April 7, 1997 4:30 PM
Erik Turk and Steve Dominy "Model Forest Program in Canada: Focus on Lakehead Abitibi Forest." Location: BB1021

Chemical Engineering Conference

Saturday, March 27, 1997

with keynote speaker Dr. Alistair Miller, President of the Canadian Society for Chemical Engineers

The 1997 Morris Lecture

The Department of Philosophy and the Dean's Committee on Religious Studies through the William S. Morris Memorial Fund present

Dr. Michael Pomedli

Professor of Philosophy, St. Thomas More College, University of Saskatchewan and Rockefeller Foundation Visiting Fellow, Native Philosophy Project

"Giftgiving in Native and Christian Traditions:

Why is it better to give than to receive?"

Thursday, March 20, 1997

8:00 p.m.

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