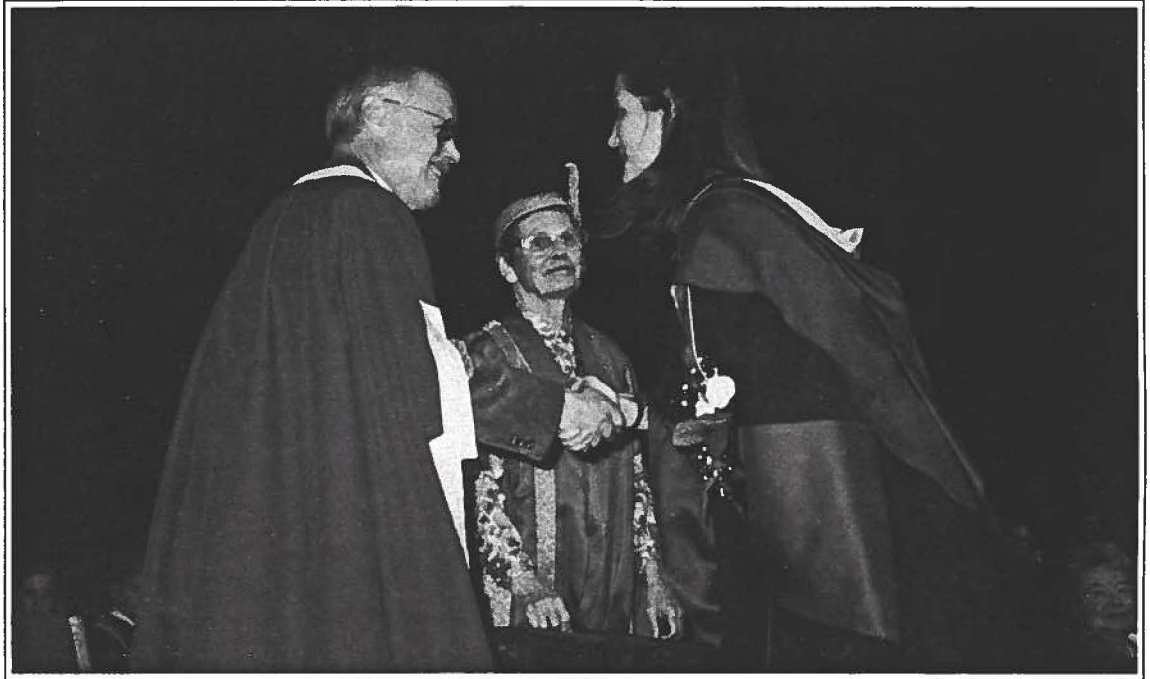




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Dr. John Whitfield presided over an historic moment when Suzanne Barker-Collo, Lakehead's first student to graduate from the PhD program in Clinical Psychology, crossed the stage, greeted Chancellor Lois Wilson and accepted her diploma. Photo: Peter Puna

CONVOCATION '98



Margaret Atwood began her Convocation address by listing several things she learned during her formative years on the shores of Lake Superior.

She said: *"The reason these things were instrumental in my becoming a writer is that if I hadn't learned them reasonably well, I wouldn't have grown up to become anything at all. In addition, they do have some application to success in so-called real life. For instance, "Do not feed the bears, they are not tame animals" is a good thing to remember when dealing with journalists, and "Don't swim out so far that you can't get back" is handy when investing in the stock market; while "Don't stand under falling trees" is applicable to lawsuits, politicians in an election year, and business dealings in general."*

The entire text of her address will be published in the fall issue of the *Nor'Wester*.

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Convocation

is A Family Affair



Florence Johnston, a teacher and a community leader in Thunder Bay, was made a Fellow of Lakehead University this year. Surrounding her are (l-r) Mary Jane Irving, Linda Johnston, Charlie Johnston, Joanna Oreziak, Paul Johnston, Tim Johnston, Gordon Johnston, and Wayne Irving. (Charlie, Tim, Gordon and Paul are Florence Johnston's sons).



This family photo begins with a Fellow of Lakehead University, The Honourable Mr. Justice John F. McCartney (left), and ends with the 1998 recipient of the prestigious Alumni Honour Award, John Valley (right). Between them are Susan McCartney, Kirsten Addison, Neil McCartney, Barb Viehbeck, Donalda Murray, Dr. Gavin Cameron, Maureen McCartney-Cameron, Cathy Pickard, John McCartney, and Myra Valley.

Lakehead University, June, 1998



Pentti Paularinne has organized 19 Convocations as part of his job as Registrar, but never one where a one of his children has graduated. This year his daughter Sarah graduated with a BA (Geography) – the same degree that Pentti received 30 years ago in 1968!

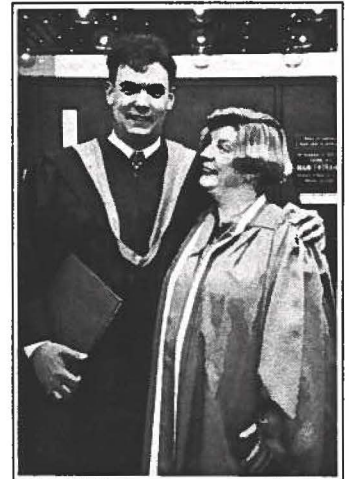


A very pregnant Constance Danielson attended Convocation with her father Frederick Nowagesic and her best friend Shelly Poluchowicz by her side. Her greatest fear, she said, was having her water break on stage! Danielson credits her husband and parents for helping her through the degree program.

Bob Angell's sister Leslee Hegge, who lives and works in Geraldton, completed the requirements for her Master's degree in Social Work by Distance Education.

1998 CONVOCATION MARSHALLS

Nancy Luckai
Therese Lim
Josephine Boucher
Diane Thompson
Marie Keeler
Susan Lester
John DeGiacomo
Brian Whitfield
Charisse Whitfield
Linda Harkonen
Susan Dubeau
Rob Reukl
Karen Poole
Sandi Covino
Marilee Nowgesic
Brian Holm
Petra Holm
Patricia Sevean
Lee Tracz
Evadne Benson
Lindsay A. Menard
Dr. Gary Murchison
Susan Childs



Chair of the Board of Governors Maureen Doig with her son Michael.





Front Row (l-r) Roberta Jamieson, Dr. John Whitfield, Rev. Lois Wilson, Maureen Doig, Margaret Atwood; Middle Row (l-r) Florence Johnston, T. Sher Singh, James MacGregor, Dr. Henri Saliba, Joy Himmelman, Dr. George Merrill; Back Row (l-r) Pentti Paularinne, The Honourable Mr. Justice John McCartney, Dr. David Kemp, John Valley, Dr. Connie Nelson, Dr. Bahram Dadgostar, Dr. Fentey Scott, Dr. Jim Gellert, Dr. David Euler

"You have the power to shape your lives and surroundings. You have the power to determine how you are going to treat other people. You have the power to create change in your communities. You have the power to determine how you spend your time. You have the power to generate a vision for the future, to share it with others, to work towards making your vision a reality."

— Roberta Jamieson, May, 1998



Corinne Fox (left) and Shawna Hickey were presented with The Poulin Award by Steve Hessian, first vice-chair of the Board of Governors. The Poulin Award is given to the student selected by her fellows, the faculty and administration as contributing most to the welfare of the University through her student activities.

A Message To Dr. John Whitfield

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Dr. John Whitfield for stepping in on short notice and guiding us through this past year.

John has worked very hard on behalf of Lakehead University. He has done an excellent job of representing Lakehead on the provincial scene and has lobbied effectively to address the funding inequities that exist within the system.

I know that all my fellow Board members, and indeed the entire University community, join me in expressing our gratitude for your tireless effort and commitment. Thanks John!

Mrs. Maureen Doig

Chair, Board of Governors

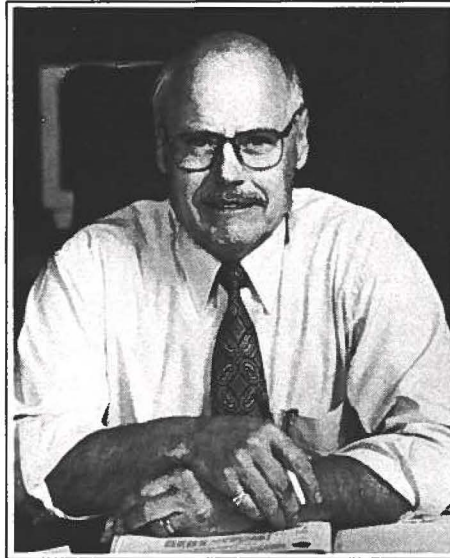


Please Note
The *Agora* will not be published during the months of July and August.

**The next issue will be published
September 15, 1998.**

An Update from the President

Dr. John Whitfield



Convocation

Convocation '98 was a success. Nearly 2,000 degrees and diplomas were awarded. The graduates, parents, and families were all positive and congratulatory about the ceremony.

A special thank you to:

- our honorary graduates and university fellows for distinguishing us with their presence and participation;
- Chancellor Lois Wilson for her unfailing attentiveness and cheery greetings to graduates;
- the Registrar and his staff for arranging and co-ordinating the event; and
- the Alumni volunteers who assisted as marshals.

Survey of Non-Returning Students

In February, Enrolment Management conducted a survey of undergraduate students who were enrolled in the 1996-97 academic year and did not return this academic year. The objective was to determine the reasons why the students did not return. In particular, the students were asked to indicate their level of satisfaction with various services offered by the University. Although the response indicated a high level of satisfaction with these services, there is room, as always, for improvement.

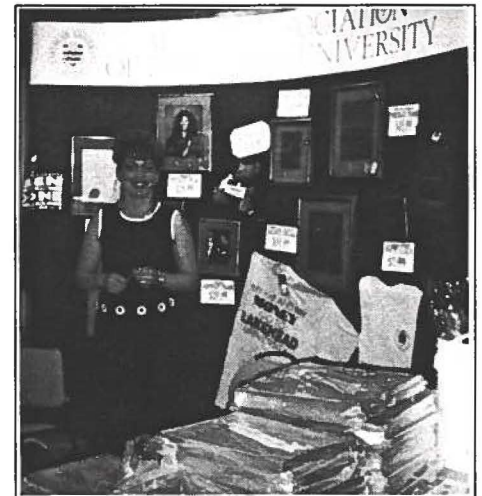
A copy of a summary of the survey is available from the Director of Enrolment Management, Mrs. Kerrie-Lee Clarke.

In Memoriam

Dr. Gerry Vervoort, Professor of Education and Mathematics, died unexpectedly on May 19, 1998. Our deepest condolences are extended to his wife, Professor Patricia Vervoort, and his two daughters.

Also, two retirees recently passed away. Dr. Agha Akram died in Pakistan. Dr. Akram was a long-time member of the Department of Psychology and was active in the affairs of the University. Mr. George Takahashi died on May 27, 1998. He worked for Campus Development until his retirement 14 years ago. Our sympathy is extended to their families.

Finally, this is my last "Update" I would like to thank the University community for its support and encouragement during this past year. It is a privilege to serve in this capacity.



Kristine Carey, alumni assistant, puts the finishing touches on the Alumni Association display. By the end of the day the Office of Alumni Services had taken in more than \$11,000, mainly from the sale of diploma frames.



This year was Dr. George Merrill's 33rd Convocation and, once again, he led the graduating class into the auditorium carrying the 42-lb. Mace — a traditional symbol of the University's authority.

Helping him with his robes are Luci Andreacchi, secretary to the registrar, and Dr. Jim Gellert, acting vice-president (academic).



Proud employees and now graduates: Bill Keeler, athletic facilities supervisor, and Madge Chan, liaison secretary.

LAKEHEAD TEAM RAISES \$1300 FOR SHELTER HOUSE

by Cheryl Balacko

Many thanks to the Lakehead University Shelter House Relay Team for braving the cold damp weather, walking for 24 hours and raising almost \$1300 for the Shelter House during the last weekend in May.

A big "Thank You" goes to all of those who sponsored team members and especially to **Bill and Tom Bragnalo** for bringing the tent and pennants, and to **Norma Gibson** who not only stayed for 24 hours, but was there for Friday night set-up and Sunday take-down.

Relay Team members were: **Shirley Richter** (Residence), **Gail Everall** (Print Shop), **Geraldine White** (Learning Assistance Center), **Kathy Webb** (Intersection), **Becky Hurley** (Bookstore), **Bill Bragnalo** (Human Resources), **Betty Hygaard** (Community Relations), **Maggie Bragnalo** (Tom's mother), **Denise Bruley** (Community Relations), **Marie Ferguson** (Switchboard), **Susan Viitala** (Human Resources), **Heather Williams** (Payroll), **Norma Gibson** (Switchboard-Emeritus), **Cheryl Balacko** (Bookstore). Helping out the team members were family and friends who walked and visited.

Thanks also should go to **Jody Graham-Shelter House Fundraiser** (Daughter-in-law to Ann Graham-Payroll) who kept us all 'on track' and always makes the Lakehead Team feel special.

Thanks to Community Relations for providing T-Shirts and sponsoring the team for the registration. If anyone is interested in being on next year's team, contact Denise Bruley or Cheryl Balacko (we are looking for a Team Captain).

A great time was had by all and we look forward to doing the 24 Hour Shelter House Relay next year.

Thanks to all who contributed time and money to a worthy cause.

IN MEMORIAM



Dr. Gerardus (Gerry) Vervoort
Professor of Mathematics
and Education

On May 19, 1998, Lakehead University and Northwestern Ontario communities lost a valued educator and friend, Dr. Gerry Vervoort. Born in Utrecht, Netherlands, in 1933, Gerry moved to Canada in 1955. Following the completion of his PhD. in Mathematics at the University of Iowa in 1970, Gerry accepted a joint appointment in Education and Mathematics in 1970 at Lakehead University. In 1981, he was promoted to the rank of professor. He was active in university affairs through participation in committees and was president of the Lakehead University Faculty Association from 1990-1991.

Gerry's passion and commitment to mathematics education was reflected in his work not only at Lakehead University but also throughout Northwestern Ontario. His willingness to conduct and participate in workshops was unending. One of his primary commitments was quality mathematics instruction for elementary

and secondary school students. Competent mathematics teachers were of concern to Gerry. He was also proud of the accomplishments of his students.

Dr. Vervoort published 12 books and numerous articles, and delivered several papers in many countries. He was particularly proud of three series of texts: *Calculator Activities for the Classroom*, *Calculator Mathematics*, and *Mathways Seven and Eight*.

All Gerry needed was a scrap piece of paper to present a math problem. Such challenges were often typical of first and subsequent encounters. Whether or not a successful solution was obtained, one was hesitant to inquire about the problem. It might have been at a grade 5 level! Gerry also enjoyed coffee breaks with friends and colleagues.

Mathematics was not his entire life. Gerry valued his wife, Pat, and daughters, Marike and Amy. He proudly anticipated reunions with his eight brothers and sisters.

Gerry will be missed by many but his efforts will carry on through the lives he touched.

— Dr. Jim Haines,
Faculty of Education

Those who wish to celebrate Gerry's contributions to education, both at Lakehead University and in Northwestern Ontario, are invited to make a contribution to the Gerry Vervoort Memorial Bursary.

Cheques should be made payable to "Lakehead University" and sent to the Development Office, Lakehead University, 955 Oliver Road, Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7B 5E1. Tax receipts will be issued.



Headstart

August 6-7, 1998

City Bus Tour - Thursday Aug. 6 at 10 a.m.

Check-in/Registration at Bartley Residence 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Headstart Parent Orientation Session - Thursday Aug. 6th at 2 p.m.

Reception in Faculty Lounge for Parents - 4 p.m.

BBQ for Parents in Faculty Lounge - 5:30 p.m.

Campus Tour - Friday, Aug. 7 at 11 a.m.

Farewell Luncheon (with the students) - Friday Aug. 7 - Main Cafeteria at 1 p.m.

Lakehead University, June, 1998

Lakehead Prepares to Meet the CFI Challenge

by Kris Ketonen

Lakehead University has the opportunity to launch a significant upgrade to its research infrastructure thanks to the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) and its mandate to increase the research capability of institutions across the country.

Some 18 initiatives within the University have been targeted says Dean of Graduate Studies and Research Dr. Connie Nelson. Lakehead has the chance to access \$1.79 million (which is 40 per cent of the total needed) through the Research Development Fund of CFI. The remaining funds can be matched through a variety of private sector and provincial and federal government programs. The provincial government has recently announced that they will commit \$135 million to provide 40 per cent matching dollars for initial CFI applications.

Lakehead's proposals involve many departments and a broad spectrum of research. The Department of Anthropology, for example, is proposing an Applied Archeology Unit and a Paleo-DNA Laboratory.

The Faculty of Forestry and the Forest Environment, the School of Outdoor Recreation, Parks & Tourism, and the Departments of Geography and Anthropology are actively supporting an Interdisciplinary Modular Geographic Information Systems Research Training Laboratory.

Also included on the list are initiatives such as a Scanning Electron Microscope, a Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Instrument, a Field Research Laboratory in Conservation Ecology, Pulp and Paper Laboratory Equipment, a Research Centre for Materials for Process Control, and Advanced Materials for Applied Optics Research.

"Industrial support for Lakehead's CFI initiatives can result in a win-win situation for both the particular industry and Lakehead University," says Nelson.



"When corporations or companies come to Lakehead to seek expertise for research and development work, we'll have state-of-the-art equipment for addressing their needs.

"Another benefit is the fact that students being trained with the new infrastructure will be trained on the most up-to-date and advanced equipment. And they'll be better prepared to enter the workforce."

"This is an excellent opportunity to renew and refocus our research capacities in ways that address Lakehead's research strengths."

Due to the persistent and chronic underfunding of universities in the last few years, the CFI represents the first new real opportunity to renew Lakehead's research infrastructure.

"The renewal of research infrastructure must be accompanied by a commitment from the university for enhanced technical support staff and available funding for ongoing maintenance."

— Dr. Connie Nelson

Dean of Graduate Studies and Research

With universities all across Canada facing large cuts in funding, and Ontario universities taking the biggest hit of all with grant reductions in excess of 15 per cent over two years, the Canada Foundation for Innovation becomes a significant entity.

The Canada Foundation for Innovation emphasizes areas such as health, environment and energy. It lists not only universities, but also colleges, hospitals and not-for-profit organizations which have demonstrated their capability to conduct research as eligible for funding to increase research infrastructure.

Infrastructure, in turn, is defined as equipment, specimens, scientific collections, computer software, information databases, communication linkages, or other research-oriented properties.

In accordance with its mandate, the CFI is designed to address institutional research infrastructure that focuses on areas of special research strengths and expertise.

To determine eligibility for funding, all proposals are evaluated according to three criteria:

- the quality of research and suitability of the infrastructure (including the track record of the researchers and the originality and innovation of the research itself);
- the contribution to strengthening the capacity for innovation within the institution,
- the potential benefits of the research to Canada.

Each initiative was first approved by Lakehead's Senate Research Committee for scientific merit. Nelson adds a note of caution when she emphasizes that, "The renewal of research infrastructure must be accompanied by a commitment from the University for enhanced technical support staff and available funding for ongoing maintenance."

Success in the CFI opportunities, she says, demands a team approach. "We have a lot of energy, time and commitment being directed right now to meeting the CFI challenge."

This article was written by Kris Ketonen, one of several Lakehead students taking part in a student writing program sponsored by The Chronicle-Journal.

ABOUT THE CFI

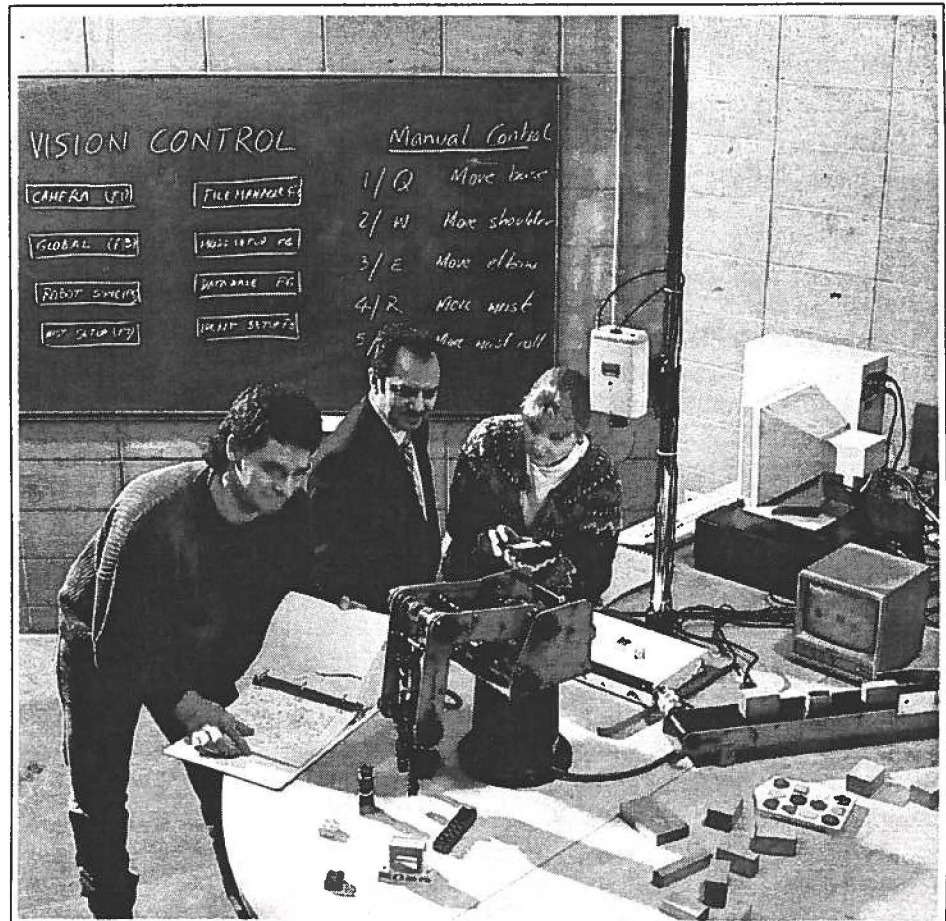
"The Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) is an independent corporation established by the federal government to strengthen Canadian capability for research....

"The CFI's mandate is to increase the capability of Canadian universities, colleges, hospitals, and other not-for-profit institutions to carry out important world-class scientific research and technology development....

"The CFI was established by the federal government with an up-front investment of \$800 million. This principal amount and accrued interest will enable the Foundation to contribute, on average, about \$180 million annually over five years to research infrastructure projects. The CFI will target its investment at key needs in the areas of health, environment, science, and engineering....

"The Foundation's contributions are expected to average 40 per cent of total eligible project costs, but will not exceed 50 per cent for an individual project. On this basis, funding for the total investment by the Foundation and its partners should exceed \$2 billion."

www.innovation.ca



The Training Trap

Ideology, Training and the Labour Market

In the early 1990s two Lakehead sociology professors, Dr. Thomas Dunk and Dr. Randle Nelsen, were discussing the plight of a neighbour who had been laid off from a local paper mill. Both men understood the dilemma of the unemployed worker who had little or no experience outside the mill, Nelsen having lived in Thunder Bay since 1976 and Dunk having grown up in Thunder Bay and himself a former grain elevator and paper mill worker. What emerged from their discussion was a coauthored article titled "After the Mill Closed: Retraining for What?" (1993).

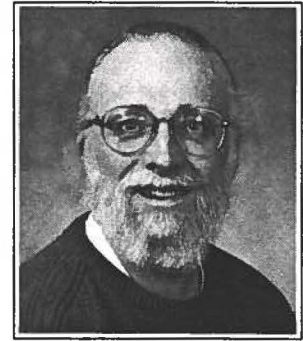
In the article, the two professors examined the logic of re-training as a solution to the problem of under/unemployment and they explored why and how this logic has become a dominant ideological force in the 1990s. Re-training, they concluded, was insufficient as a solution because structural, economic and geographical influences also strongly impact on under/unemployment and the possibility of re-training.

At the same time, Dunk and Nelsen began a broader examination of approaches to dealing with under and unemployment. Together with Dr. Stephen McBride, formerly of Lakehead and now Chair and Professor in the Department of Political Science at Simon Fraser University, they applied for and received a SSHRCC Strategic Initiatives grant to examine the emergence of training as the reigning orthodoxy in labour market policy. The first product of this project was a book coedited by the threesome entitled *The Training Trap: Ideology, Training and the Labour Market*.

The essays in the book seek to understand and criticize the current vogue for training as the primary component of state labour market policy. They situate it in the context of a diminishing welfare state and extensive deregulation which places more onus for employment and income onto individuals. In the wake of the high unemployment rates of the Great Depression, between the 1940s and the late 1970s unemployment, underemployment, and low wages were viewed by many policy makers as problems inherent in market driven capitalist economies. Welfare and relatively generous unemployment insurance schemes were seen as necessary to protect individuals against forces and events that were largely beyond their control, and various government initiatives aimed to promote full employment. But with the high inflation, low growth rates, and growing government deficits of the 1970s and 1980s, critics began to argue that welfare, unemployment insurance and government efforts to maintain full employment were themselves problems, especially insofar as they protected individuals from having to adjust to labour market "realities." In Canada and many other Western nations non-market sources of income have been curtailed to various degrees. State policies with regard to unemployment and underemployment have increasingly emphasized "active" measures such as workfare, education and training, all of which are aimed at "adjusting" individual workers, rather than direct state efforts to increase employment levels.



Dr. Thomas Dunk



Dr. Randle Nelsen

What they find contentious is the claim that more and more training is the solution to a growing range of disturbing economic and social maladies

None of the authors in the collection question the value of education and training per se. What they find contentious is the claim that more and more training is the solution to a growing range of disturbing economic and social maladies, and that this is all the state should be doing to help unemployed, underemployed and low-waged workers. The success of training schemes in industrial adjustment situations is contested and seems to be related to factors other than the training itself, especially local or regional rates of unemployment. Moreover, a significant portion of the workforce is already overeducated for the jobs they have. Sociologists and anthropologists have convincingly demonstrated that skill and knowledge are not straightforward terms. What counts as skill depends on whose definition is used and in actual societies ideas about who is and who is not skilled and how much their labour is worth are connected to societal-wide prejudices based on gender, race, ethnicity, and age. Workers, labour organizations and community groups often have very different ideas about what skills are necessary to create a better society than do employers whose vision of education and skill is very often rather narrow, being concerned as they naturally are with the corporate bottom-line. Furthermore, at least some of the current corporate concern with educational reform and state promotion of training and workfare may be an attempt to shift the cost of learning workplace specific skills from the private sector, where much firm-specific training used to happen, on to the public.

The power of what Dunk and Nelsen call the ideology of the market to define educational and training needs has implications beyond the training debates. In 1997, Nelson edited a reader entitled *Inside Canadian Universities: Another Day at the Plant* which examines the impact of economics and economic ideology on one of the supposed last bastions of free thinking -- universities. Dunk and McBride are currently working on a text tentatively entitled *Remaking the Working Class* which analyses the effect of the training and industrial adjustment process on working-class culture and consciousness.

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DR. PETER DUINKER

named Professor and Director of the School for Resource and Environmental Studies at Dalhousie University

effective July 1, 1998

"I see myself as interdisciplinary. I try to ignore disciplinary boundaries. If there is a problem let's solve the problem with sharp, conceptual thinking -- and sometimes quantitative thinking, if it requires that."

-- Dr. Peter Duinker, Chair, Forest Management and Policy, Lakehead University

When Dr. Peter Duinker reflects on the last decade of his life at Lakehead, he remembers the "scholarly joy" he's had combining "the theoretical stuff with the very practical policy work."

Two examples which quickly come to mind are his work as co-chair of the Ontario Forest Policy Panel from 1992-93, and his work, beginning in 1993, as facilitator of the Wabikimi Park Boundary Committee -- a 20-month assignment which resulted in the creation of a 900,000 hectare protected area in Northwestern Ontario.

"Lakehead University has been an absolutely fabulous growing ground for me," he says, "The University has extended me incredible opportunities ... and it's with strong and very positive feelings that I leave the Faculty."

Duinker is leaving to take up a new challenge at his old alma mater. As professor and director of the School for Resource and Environmental Studies at Dalhousie University in Halifax, he'll be a "junior" administrator of a small academic group with about 40 master's students. He'll also be expected to find new research money -- a skill he has honed during his time at Lakehead. In the last 10 years Duinker proudly reports on having secured between \$600,000 and \$800,000 for projects in biodiversity assessment and sustainable forest management.

Peter Duinker holds a BSc in Agriculture from the University of Guelph, a Master's degree in Environmental Studies from Dalhousie University and a PhD in Forestry from the University of New Brunswick.

Lakehead University has not yet decided how to replace Dr. Peter Duinker, says the Dean of the Faculty of Forestry and the Forest Environment, Dr. David Euler. Currently the Faculty is considering ways to fund the chair with an endowment and, in the meantime, has advertised for a possible replacement to commence August 1. -- F. Harding



EARTH DAY

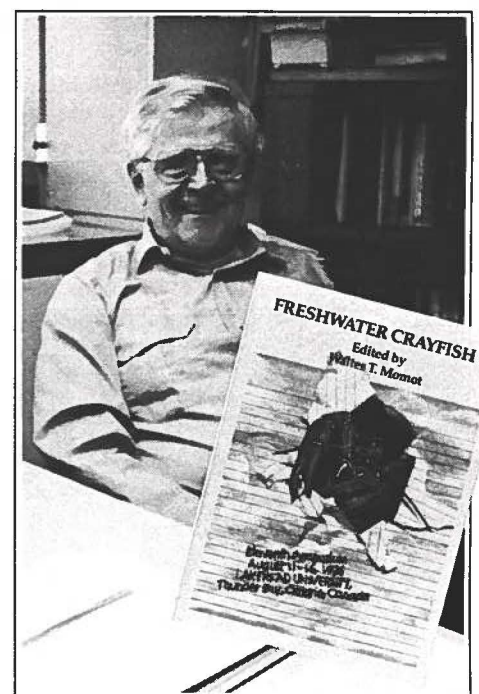
Over 50 volunteers participated in the first ever campus-wide Earth Day Clean-Up on April 22. The Clean Beautiful Campus Committee (CBC) has been formed to oversee and coordinate such environmental initiatives on campus. If you have any suggestions or would like to get involved please call Dr. Jim Haines, chair of CBC at 343-8715. -- Norma Jean Newbold

Each year Lakehead University Residence spends \$1,000 to \$2,000 on tree planting. This is part of the on-going tree planting program carried out by Campus Development on the main campus. Stan Kolodziejczak (left) and Daryl Dubois are seen here planting several ash, spruce, and cherry trees.

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It would appear that the welfare state, the working class, and the university system are all losing ground to the dominant ideology of the market. And it is through the work of scholars like Dunk, McBride and Nelsen that the dominance of the markets' logic becomes more visible. Their work reminds us how global and structural forces work on, through and around us, and how we, in turn, participate in and, at times, resist these influences.

This article was written with the help of Tim Mignault, one of several Lakehead students taking part in a student writing program sponsored by The Chronicle-Journal.



The International Association of Astacology held their eleventh symposium at Lakehead in August, 1996. The Proceedings of this conference have now been published by Louisiana State University Press. The editor was Dr. Walter Momot, Department of Biology, who was also the Chief Organizer for this event. He is also a member of the Board of Governors of the Association and officially represents Canada in this international body, who will be holding their twelfth symposium in Augsburg, Germany, this summer and their thirteenth symposium in Perth, Australia, in 2000.

Momot is also one of nine lifetime honorary members of this organization comprising 400 crayfish biologists throughout the world.

Lakehead University, June, 1998

ANTHROPOLOGY PROFESSOR INVITED TO WORK IN CHINA

This past year, Dr. El Molto of the Department of Anthropology was invited to conduct a feasibility study of the skeletal remains of an important site in China as part of the **Anyang Project: Co-Evolution of Human Societies and Landscapes** -- A Collaborative Archaeological Project of Regional Survey by the Archaeometry Laboratory (University of Minnesota) and the Institute of Archaeology (Chinese Academy of Social Sciences.)

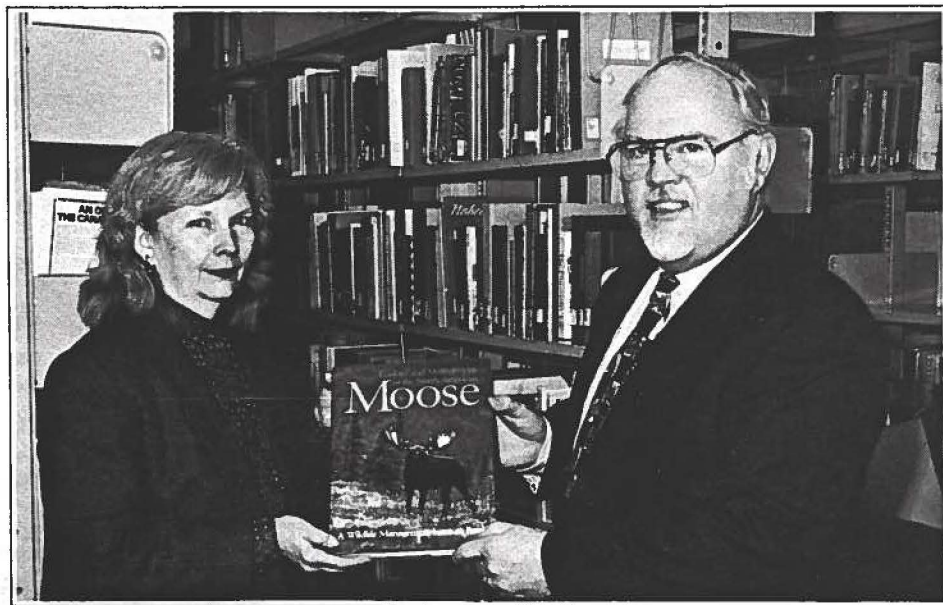
"To date over 5,000 skeletons have been excavated and curated and no western scientist has been given the opportunity to study this population," says Molto.

Anyang is a huge urban centre that was the capital city of the Shang Dynasty in the Bronze Age (circa 1300 B.C.) It is the most important archaeological site in Asia as it defines the origin of Chinese civilization.

"Key archaeological finds at the site include thousands of oracle bones which represent the earliest evidence of writing in China, as well as chariots that were buried along with soldiers and horses as offerings to the royal family at Anyang," says Molto.

As part of this season's field work, El Molto will be studying the pathologies associated with the royal burials and will be collecting bone and tooth samples for mtDNA research. The latter is funded by the project (approximately \$25,000 U.S.) and the research will be conducted at Lakehead University's Paleo-DNA Laboratory. Molto will be in China from May 31 to June 23, 1998.

HONOURS AND AWARDS



Chief Librarian Anne Deighton and Dr. Murray Lankester

Dr. Murray Lankester of the Department of Biology was presented with the Wardle Medal from the Canadian Society of Zoologists in May at their annual general meeting. The Wardle Medal is the Society's most prestigious award named in honour of Dr. Wardle who is considered to be the "grandfather" of parasitology in Canada.

Lankester's recently published book *Ecology and Management of the North American Moose*, published by The Smithsonian Institute, is now available both in the Alumni Bookstore and in the Chancellor Paterson Library.

Lakehead University, June, 1998

FAREWELL, JO-ANNE

"Philanthropy is not about asking for money. It's about creating a relationship where people see the benefit of giving."

— Jo-Anne Silverman

When Jo-Anne Silverman closes her office door on June 26, she will leave the campus knowing that Lakehead University has benefited from many of the relationships she has helped to develop since coming to Thunder Bay 22 years ago.

Her connection to Lakehead dates back to 1985 when she was hired as the Co-ordinator of Alumni Services. After two-and-a-half-years she left to work for the Thunder Bay Art Gallery, but was back within a year to work on Lakehead's largest fundraising campaign, *Share Our Northern Vision*.



Since then Jo-Anne Silverman has been at the heart of Lakehead's most impressive fundraising initiatives, all of which have exceeded their goals. The most recent was the *Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund (OSOTF)* campaign for bursary endowments which raised an astonishing \$3.1 million (in just nine months) that will be matched by the Government of Ontario for a grand total of \$6.2 million.

Dusty Miller, Chair of the Board of Governors' Fund-raising Committee and a close friend, praises Silverman for her warmth, sensitivity, and her ability to motivate volunteers.

When asked what she will remember most about her time at Lakehead, Silverman answers: "The incredible number of generous people there are in Thunder Bay." And she especially wants to express her appreciation to Lakehead's faculty and staff who understand the importance of giving to Lakehead.

She thinks the University's biggest challenge now is to adapt to the way public funding is forcing us to change. "We have to become even more vocal and insist on government support," she says. "We can't rely on the corporate sector completely." Her parting words of advice to Lakehead are: "Don't be reactive, be proactive. Be innovative. Be in the vanguard. Don't just follow suit, because if we do, we'll be left behind."

Jo-Anne Silverman takes up her new position as Director of Advancement and Admissions at Glenlyon-Norfolk School in Victoria, B.C. on July 6.

Changes at Campus Tech

Campus Tech Manager Azhar Laldin left Lakehead at the end of May to take a position with Cargill (Winnipeg) in PC and Network Support. In the interim, Campus Tech is being managed by Jo Quaresima, a fourth-year commerce student (MIS), who had been working with Laldin prior to his departure.

Congratulations Dusty

In May it was announced that Dusty Miller has been awarded the Maggie Bassett Award for lifetime achievement in Theatre. Miller is chair of the city's Arts and Heritage Advisory Committee and a member of the Lakehead University Board of Governors.

LUFA President

Dr. Robert Dilley will serve as president of the Lakehead University Faculty Association (LUFA) for another year. LUFA vice-president Juanita Epp is going on Sabbatical leave and is not available to take over as president. Special guests from the Ontario Confederation of University Faculty Associations (OCUFA) who attended the LUFA Annual General Meeting held on May 14, 1998 were Deborah Flynn, president, and Henry Mandelbaum, acting executive director.

While in Thunder Bay, Flynn and Mandelbaum, along with Dilley, met with *The Chronicle-Journal* to discuss OCUFA's perspectives on tuition increases and university funding in general.

The Chrichlows

Lakehead will miss the fine work provided by the husband and wife team of JoAnn and Gerry Crichlow. Gerry, who worked with CTRC most recently as Senior Technician, left Lakehead at the end of February to take up a new position as Network Application Specialist with Telexis Inc. in Ottawa.

JoAnn has been working with Dr. John Naysmith for the past five years as administrative officer on several projects (including two international ones -- Ghana, West Africa, and Nepal, Southeast Asia) as well as the Ontario Forestry Futures Trust Com-

mittee. She completed her master's degree in sociology while working full-time at Lakehead and is planning to pursue her career interests in Ottawa when she joins Gerry later in the year.

Upgrades to the Outdoor Courts

At the Alumni Association's Annual General Meeting held on June 11, a cheque for \$3200 was presented to Residence Council for the upgrade of the campus outdoor basketball courts. The money was raised through the sale of Exam Crisis Kits.

Sessionals Making a Difference

Two adjunct professors in the Department of Mathematical Sciences are gaining recognition for their contributions to the department for their innovative research and teaching:

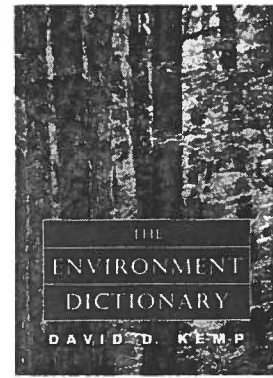
Dr. Anne-Marie Filip, who holds a PhD from Duke University, has been teaching a first-year course in statistics and has been successful at Lakehead in introducing a new way of teaching Calculus called "Reformed Calculus."

Dr. Ann Kajander is organizing a set of field trips for high school students to bring them on campus starting in the fall of '98. She is also gaining recognition for a program called "Kindermath" which she developed to help elementary students learn mathematics. Kajander holds a PhD in Mathematics Education from the University of Toronto. An article she wrote about Kindermath has recently been accepted for publication by the American journal, *Teaching Children Mathematics*.

Sports Wall of Fame

"No other pursuit contributes so richly to University life than athletics," said Nick Cipriano (HBPHE'78, MSc'79).

The former wrestling champ who is now a wrestling coach and a member of the faculty of McMaster University, was speaking at the third annual Sports Wall of Fame Induction dinner held on June 6 to honour the 1998 inductees. They included Cipriano, former basketball player Kathy Harrison (BA/HBO'93) and the 1973-74 Nor'Wester Wrestling Team. Nominations for the 1999 Inductions are open until November 30, 1998.



Dr. David D. Kemp's new book *The Environment Dictionary* was published simultaneously in London and New York by Routledge last month. The entries cover a broad spectrum of environmental issues and incorporate material from a broad range of disciplines.

"The book is pitched at a level which should make it accessible to a variety of users from high school or university students to members of the public interested in environmental issues," says Kemp. "To allow this, it includes abundant cross-references and reading lists through which readers can develop particular interests and pursue specific topics to the level of complexity they require."

Kemp is acting dean of Arts and Science and a professor in the Department of Geography. His book will be available at the Alumni Bookstore in July.



You're Invited to a

Farewell Reception

for
Jo-Anne Silverman

Wednesday, June 17 in the
Faculty Lounge at 3 p.m.

Coffee and Refreshments will
be served

(See article on Page 10)

University Holiday Closure Schedule - 1998

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
21	Dec. '98	22	Dec. '98	23	Dec. '98	24	Dec. '98	25	Dec. '98
	OPEN		OPEN		OPEN		OPEN		CLOSED
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28	Dec. '98	29	Dec. '98	30	Dec. '98	31	Dec. '98	1	Jan. '99
	CLOSED		CLOSED		CLOSED		CLOSED		CLOSED
4	Jan. '99								
	OPEN -- CLASSES RESUME								

The general University (Library, Bookstore, academic departments, etc.) December holiday closure (excluding SEIU, IUOE, and USWA employees) for 1998 will be from noon on Thursday, December 24, 1998 until Friday, January 1, 1999 inclusive. The University will re-open at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, January 4, 1999.

THE CHANCELLOR PATERSON LIBRARY

NOTICE TO ALL FACULTY & STAFF

Beginning Monday, May 25, 1998, entrance to The Chancellor Paterson Library will be through the Library Shipping Doors. These doors are located on the north side of the Library (facing the Ryan Building). During this temporary relocation of the entrance, regular library hours and all services will continue as usual. Thank you for your patience during our library renovations.

INTERSESSION

May 4- June 18, 1998

Monday to Thursday
8 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Friday
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday
11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday
1 p.m. to 9 p.m.

June 19 - July 5, 1998

Monday to Friday
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Weekends
Closed

July 1, 1998 (Canada Day)
Closed

GOLF TOURNAMENTS

Maintenance Choice - June 19

Lakehead's annual Maintenance Choice Golf Tournament will be held at Centennial Golf Course on June 19 starting at 1:30 p.m. with a steak supper served in the Faculty Lounge at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$35/person and cheques should be made payable to "Brian Baraskewich" or "Wayne Hainrich". Please register before June 15. For information call 343-8208.

Booster Club - June 21

Lakehead's Booster Club is holding its annual Golf Tournament at Centennial Golf Course on Sunday, June 21 starting at 2 p.m. (shotgun start). Tickets are \$30/person which includes green fees and a meal at Centennial. Participants may register individually or by team. Each team must have five people including two females. To Register call Sharon Kozak at 343-8213. (Payment may be made at the Course on the day of the event.)

Alumni Association/Atikokan - June 27

There is a Golf Tournament in Atikokan on Saturday, June 27, 1998 at the Little Falls Golf Club starting at 12 noon (Central Time). The cost is \$45/person. For information call 343-8155.

Alumni Association/Thunder Bay - August 21

For information call 343-8155

C. Trojan Community Relations

Canadian Red Cross Donor Recruiter Sheleigh McMillan extends her appreciation to Lakehead University faculty and students who participated in the 1997-98 Masonic Plasma Challenge. She writes:

"Overall, your members made 48 donations during the challenge. This event doubles the number of donations from the previous year and was an overwhelming success.... Thank you for sharing your good health."

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