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Alumni Reunion – An Annual Event?

The fellowship and enthusiasm displayed by grads at our first reunion June 5, 6 and 7 indicate that there are many alumni who would like to keep in touch and continue to be a part of life at St. Jerome's.

The feelings of the over 250 alumni, faculty and guests attending the reunion weekend were summed up eloquently by one of the grads:

"The best thing about the years spent at St. Jerome's," he said, "is the people I met and the friends I made."

Ken Lavigne will be in touch with those grads who expressed interest at the reunion in forming an Alumni Association and in working to make the reunion and other activities part of an ongoing program.

A steering committee will be set up this fall to discuss the scope of alumni activities at St. Jerome's. Any grads who are interested in taking part in these discussions are urged to contact Ken as soon as possible.



Construction Begins

A ground-breaking ceremony at St. Jerome's on May 22 marked the beginning of the \$1.4 million building expansion program announced earlier this year. The program includes two projects funded separately by the College and the Congregation of the Resurrection. St. Jerome's will erect a new \$900,000 teaching wing which is being financed from the reserve fund of the College. It is anticipated that these

funds will be replaced by proceeds from the WATFUND, the fundraising project of the University of Waterloo.

A \$500,000 addition to the men's residence is being funded by the Congregation of the Resurrection. Ball Brothers Ltd. of Kitchener has been awarded the contracts for both buildings. Horton & Ball, Walter, Fedy, McCargar, and Hachborn of Kitchener are architects for the projects.



The foundation for the residence expansion takes shape in the middle of St. Jerome's campus.

Seven Awarded First Certificates in Catholic Studies

The new Certificate in Catholic Studies has been awarded to six students for the first time this year.

The certificate, which has been established by the Studies in Christian Living Program, is granted after successful completion of 10 term courses in Catholic Theology and Philosophy.

Recipients of the Certificate this year are: Michael Charles Dowling, Sister Barbara Graf, Sharon June Marie Lord, Mary Eileen MacIntyre-Roy, Carole Mary Monaco, Elizabeth Louise Normore and Patricia Anne O'Leary.



Fall/Winter Evening Course Changes

Unfortunately, some changes in the fall/winter offerings have had to be made since our part-time studies brochure was issued.

The evening sections of R.S. 400B, Christianity, Judaism and Anti-Semitism and of R.S. 302, The Gospel of John, have been cancelled. However, R.S. 302 will be offered at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

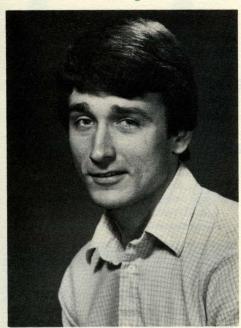
English 201, The Short Story, will be taught from 7 - 10 p.m. on Monday evenings during the fall term. The course was originally listed on Tuesday.

Two fall courses have also been added since the fall/winter brochure was published. They are: R.S. 209 The Apostle Paul: Life and Letters, taught by Father Fred Scinto on Monday evenings and on Tuesday, English 215, Canadian Regional Literature, a survey of literature written about a distinctive region of Canada. The instructor is Peter Hinchcliffe.

Both of the above courses are half credits, and are offered from 7 to 10 p.m.

Rev. Norman L. Choate, president of St. Jerome's College (middle) and Dean Douglas Letson (right) turn the sod on campus to start construction of a new classroom wing and expansion of the men's residence. The Right Reverend Robert Liddy, Provincial Superior of the Congregation of the Resurrection (left) looks on.

Rob Donelson Receives Ontario Legislative Assembly Internship



Rob Donelson is one of eight graduating students from across the province chosen recently to receive an Ontario Legislative Assembly Internship. The program is sponsored by the Canadian Political Science Association. During his 10 months at the Legislature, Rob

will assist a member of parliament with research for committee work, speech writing and constituency matters. Part of his time will also be spent working for a member of the Opposition.

Interns select the members they want to work for, choosing from a list of representatives who have indicated they would like assistance. The interns receive a salary for their work, which includes attending seminars by government officials and political scientists from Ontario universities. The group will also visit other legislative bodies in Canada and the U.S.

"I was very surprised and pleased to be chosen," Rob said. "It's a rare opportunity to have and should be a great learning experience."

Selection is based on academic standing as well as letters of reference, interviews and a statement written by the student applying for the program.

"I have been following politics for a long time, but not in a partisan way," Rob pointed out. "I'm more interested in how government affects us." His interest began in 1968 when a family friend ran for office. Later, as part of a school project, Rob arranged an interview with former Prime Minister John Diefenbaker. While his classmates interviewed acquaintances close to home, he spent his winter break travelling with a friend to Ottawa by bus.

"Mr. Diefenbaker was very gracious," Rob remembers. "He showed us some of his memorabilia and treated us like visiting diplomats."

Although he is interested in how government works, Rob is not certain whether he will ever run for public office himself. "It's hard to say. The next year will open so many doors."

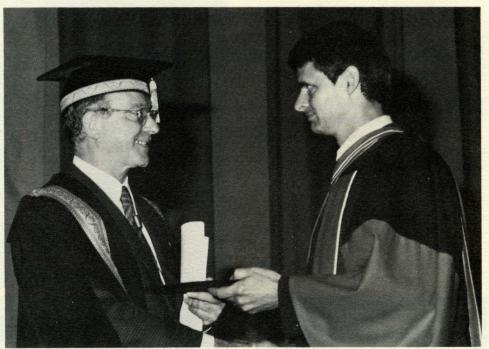
Rob is looking forward to next year, although how it will affect him raises some questions.

"A lot of people are rather cynical about politics nowadays but I don't hold these views. I hope I will be able to retain my optimism after 10 months at Queen's Park.

In Memoriam: Sister Stella Murray

We regret to announce the passing of Sister Stella Murray April 5 at the age of 66. A teacher most of her life, Sr. Stella taught Latin at St. Jerome's from 1963 to 1972 and was Bursar at Notre Dame College. She also spent a number of years as Principal of St. Mary's High School, Kitchener and most recently she was an Official of the Marriage Tribunal for the Diocese of Hamilton.

Sr. Stella was also involved in Ecumenical Christian Work on Women's Issues.



Dr. Douglas Letson receives the Distinguished Teacher Award from UW Chancelor, Dr. J. Kates, at Spring Convocation.

95 SJC Students Graduate in May

Eighty-four students graduated from the Faculty of Arts at the Arts Faculty Convocation on May 28th. On

May 30th, 11 St. Jerome's students graduated with Bachelor of Mathematics degrees. We congratulate this

year's graduating class and welcome them to the ranks of our Alumni.

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