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INSTALLATION ADDRESS *Dr. Doug Letson was officially installed as President at the annual St. Jerome's Day Mass on September 30.*

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## Presidential Profile

### Douglas Richard Letson

- Age: 50
- BA: St. Jerome's College (UW), 1962
- MA: McMaster University, 1966
- PhD: University of Toronto, 1971
- Married to Donna (née Dietrich) Letson
- Children: Nadine, Rick, Cheryl
- Assistant Professor, 1971
- Associate Professor, 1977
- Professor, 1987
- Chairperson, Department of English, 1971-75
- Assistant Dean, 1973-75
- Dean, 1975-81, 1987-89
- Appointed President July 1, 1989

## The Letson years begin

The annual St. Jerome's Day Mass held on September 30 in Siegfried Hall provided the historic occasion of the installation of the College's new President, Douglas Richard Letson. Dr. Letson succeeded Fr. Norm Choate, C.R., on July 1.

It was a festive celebration which drew together faculty, staff, students, graduates, members of the community-at-large, and numerous University of Waterloo colleagues. A colourful academic procession included visiting heads of sister colleges and universities who brought customary greetings from their own institutions.

Chairperson of the College's Board of Governors, Mr. J. Frank Clifford, called on the Provincial Superior of the Congregation of the Resurrection, Father Sudie MacDonald, C.R., to administer the Declaration of Office. In the Declaration, President Letson pledged to further the objects and traditions of the University, and to promote the welfare of the University and the University community.

The Presidential robe was then presented to Dr. Letson by Fr. MacDonald, and was followed by the presentation of the Presidential mortarboard by Donna Letson, wife of Dr. Letson.

In his remarks, Fr. MacDonald expressed his community's heartfelt support of Dr. Letson's presidency, the first layperson to assume this role in the College's 125 year history.

In his installation address, Dr. Letson enunciated the philosophical underpinnings which will guide his presidency. In drawing heavily on his extensive scholarly background in medieval literature, as well as on the Documents of Vatican II, he skillfully melded the origins and traditions of St. Jerome's College with our individual and communal responsibilities to act for the common good. He provided "a cameo view of the vision of Catholic education which inspires our efforts."

"During my twenty-two years here, St. Jerome's has always shown a genius for combining its talents to serve the common good: the good of the students, the university community, the immediate College community, and the community-at-large. And we will shape our future together as a community."

He cited St. Augustine's principle that the best teacher will "teach, delight, and move his audience." Said Letson, "The lesson is simple. Effective teaching pleases, and it moves - it changes behaviour. Our teaching should make a difference." Dr. Letson speaks with some authority in this regard having won the University of Waterloo's Distinguished Teacher Award in 1981.

"It is our task as educators both to help students to evaluate critically the shortcomings of our society and of the human condition, as well as help them to see the means to improve the lot of humankind."

He continued, "Another basic tenet of early Christian pedagogy and one which involves the personal and social aspects of the effective instructor is also part of the Augustinian tradition, a tradition which is clearly a cornerstone of contemporary Roman Catholic teaching; namely, one teaches first *in facta*, and then *in serbo*."

"It is with no little pride, therefore, that I boast of St. Jerome's that here students will find faculty who are willingly and sympathetically present to them; staff members who take pleasure in assisting maturing and mature students through the maze of university, faculty, and departmental bureaucracy; others trained and able to deal with the personal and spiritual anxieties which are part of the human condition; faculty and staff who go the extra distance, and stay the extra hour."

The evening concluded with a reception at Notre Dame College. *more photos on page 2*



*Wishing you and yours a joyous  
Christmas and a New Year  
filled with health and peace.*







The Letsons had double cause for celebration. Donna Letson, a registered nurse and wife of the President, earned her BA degree at the Fall convocation. (photo by U/W Central Photo)



A FAMILY CELEBRATION Joining in the celebration of the installation of President Letson was his family (from l to r.) Cheryl, wife Donna, Nadine and Rick. (photo by U/W Central Photo)

## Jesuits endow lecture

The Upper Canada Province of the Society of Jesus recently made a major contribution of \$10,000 to the College to endow an annual lecture/workshop.

The Ignatian Lecture/Workshop will annually bring a prominent Jesuit scholar to the College to address a theme consonant with the mandate of the St. Jerome's Centre for Catholic Experience - social justice, spirituality, and ecumenism.

"This endowment further cements an already positive relationship St. Jerome's enjoys with the Jesuits," says College President Dr. Doug Letson. "We are grateful that they have seen fit to support our work."

Over the past eight years, the St. Jerome's Centre has hosted a number of nationally and internationally known Jesuits who have addressed such diverse topics as "Justice and Canada's Native People," "Third World Spirituality," and "Congress and the Crozier."

Previous Jesuit speakers have included Robert Drinan, S.J.; John Francis Kavanaugh, S.J.; David Stanley, S.J.; Juan-Luis Segundo, S.J.; and Michael Stogre, S.J., among others.

The interest generated from this endowment will pay for the expenses incurred in sponsoring an annual lecture or workshop.

The first Ignatian Lecture/Workshop will take place in 1990-91, the year of the 500th anniversary of the birth of St. Ignatius Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus.

"This is an appropriate time to launch a lecture/workshop series which highlights Jesuit contributions to the Church and to the larger human family," observes Centre Director Dr. Michael Higgins. "It couldn't be more timely."

## UW honours Fr. Norm

Full Convocation on October 21, 1989 held special significance for St. Jerome's College this year. Not only did it represent the culmination of years of study for 38 Arts and 2 Math students of St. Jerome's, it was also the occasion of the awarding of an honorary Doctor of Laws degree to past College President Fr. Norm Choate, C.R. for "his public and private contributions to the University of Waterloo".

In a very personal and warm citation, UW President Dr. Douglas Wright acknowledged Fr. Choate as "the consummate academic leader. He has spent virtually all of his adult life in education, providing inspiration and hope and compassion to thousands of young women and men who have turned to him as a friend and mentor in joyous and in stressful times."

"To say his name is to evoke the strongest images of trust, integrity, vitality and community service," added Wright. "He has made us all winners and better members of the University community with his magnificent presence."

In his address to convocation, Fr. Choate stated that although the campus has changed a lot in thirty years, "one thing that has not changed is the almost universal goodwill, human decency and altruism of the students here."

"You and I are the beneficiaries of a lot of circumstances which allow the possibility of the good life in its truest sense - the pursuit of wisdom, virtue, truth and beauty. That privilege, as is every such privilege, is entrusted to us so that it might be shared especially with people for whom survival, not the pursuit of the good life, is the highest priority."

"We all know that the demands of starting a career and a family may seem to absorb all the time and energy available," he said, "and that the world of professions does not often provide space for the discussion of dreams and visions."



Rev. "Doctor" Norman Choate, C.R. addresses convocation. "Cherish and act on those dreams, for without dreams and visions, the people perish," he said. (photo courtesy U/W Central Photo)



Fr. Norm Choate is pictured with UW President Dr. Doug Wright, left, and UW Chancellor Mr. J. Page R. Wadsworth, right. (photo courtesy U/W Central Photo)

He concluded by urging his 'classmates' "in the quiet moments return to those values so that the dreams and visions will be kept strong so that others might see."

### Convocation Notes

Among our forty grads this past Fall were five who were named to the Dean's Honours List: Torrey Crozier, Deborah Fast, Anne Stephens, Tracey Voll, and Donna Letson, wife of College President Doug Letson.



## Students run "Miles for Marillac"



"MILES FOR MARILLAC PLACE" Charity Run '89 got off to a fast start with the first lap run by SJC grad Mike Bak (BMATH '77), student Audra Minchin, President Dr. Doug Letson, student Mark Tanner, and UW Federation of Students President Dave Readman. (photo courtesy of UW Central Photo)

*Young girl ain't got no chances  
No roots to keep her strong  
She's shed all pretences  
That someday she'll belong  
Some folks call her a runaway  
A failure in the race  
But she knows where her ticket takes her  
She will find her place in the sun  
She's got her ticket  
I think she gonna use it  
I think she going to fly away ...*

*"She's Got Her Ticket",  
Tracy Chapman*

To the haunting strains of singer Tracy Chapman's poignant lyrics, the 14th Annual St. Jerome's/Notre Dame Colleges Charity Run began in a determined effort to raise over \$7,000 for Marillac Place, a temporary shelter for women in need of low cost emergency housing in Kitchener.

The 1989 Charity Run, November 3-5, was significant not only for the money it raised for a worthy cause, or for how it built a strong sense of community among our two residences and student body. It was important also for raising awareness among students and the wider community of the plight of abused and homeless women in K-W. Who says a student's education is limited to the classroom?

Coincidentally, the Director of Marillac Place is St. Jerome's graduate Lynn McNiffe. In the opening ceremonies she expressed her deep appreciation for the time and enthusiastic commitment of students in helping to give many women "a ticket" to a better life. She said

that Marillac Place hopes to expand its facility from its current nine-bed capacity.

Following the Run, she said "it was humbling to know that people were leaving their warm beds in the middle of the night, giving up valuable study time in the midst of term papers and exams, and leaving their families to take time to run around the 2.2 km Ring Road to raise funds."

Charity Run Co-founder and now graduate Mike Bak (BMATH '77) was also on hand for the opening ceremonies. He said how overwhelmed he was "to see a dream realized once again." He spoke of the original purpose of the Run - to give something back to the community that students call home for part of the year, and to educate students about the needs of the community.

President Doug Letson expressed his pride in the "tireless commitment" put forth by the students, and Notre Dame Residence Director Sr. Julie Lattner, SSND, challenged students "to tap the wealth of generosity that lies within each of you." Other civic and university dignitaries also participated in the opening ceremonies.

The Charity Run is no longer just a week-end. Students have organized an imaginative array of week-long fund raising events, - everything from a spaghetti supper to T-shirt painting, coffee house, movie night, penny sale, and a coin drive.

As usual, the Charity Run was a memorable event which showed our students in one of their "finest hours"!

## The year Christmas was almost cancelled

The year was 1884 when the petition below, signed by 37 students and dated November 30, was presented to then St. Jerome's President Fr. Louis Funcken, C.R. Students were concerned that their Christmas holidays would be "abolished" and so they decided to voice their protest and to exercise their democratic rights.

*Rev. and Dear Father:*

*It is with the greatest regret that we have been informed that you have under your consideration the abolition of Christmas holidays. Had we been made aware of this fact at the beginning of the term, it would not have been made the occasion of so much displeasure both to parents and students who had looked forward to a happy meeting on those days dedicated to rejoicing from time immemorial by the whole Christian world. Nor were these anticipations groundless it being distinctly stated in the circular for this year that "There will be a short recess at Christmas." We earnestly hope that you have not and will not come to the conclusion to deny us this pleasure at least this year. Trusting in your kindness, we take the liberty of making this request, sincerely hoping it will not meet with a refusal.*

*November 30, 1884*

College historian Fr. Jim Wahl, C.R. has so far been unable to uncover Fr. Louis' reasons for wanting to cancel the Christmas holidays. "But Fr. Louis was often ill - he had typhoid as a child - and was unable to teach at times. He was even known to teach from his bed on some occasions. It is possible that he decided to cancel the Christmas holidays so that students could make up lost classroom time due to his illness."

Wahl has discovered, in fact, that the holidays were not cancelled. In his diaries, Fr. Eugene Funcken, C.R., brother of Fr. Louis, makes a passing reference to the Christmas vacation that year. So it appears that democracy won in the end and Fr. Louis relented. The students were able to return home to spend Christmas with their families.

### Upcoming Event

**St. Jerome's Centre for Catholic Experience**

**Changing Church Teachings**  
Walter Principe, CSB

Fri. March 9, 1990, 7:30 pm Siegfried Hall



# St. Jerome's College Honour Roll of Donors

(Reflects donations received between May 1, 1988 and August 31, 1989)

Dear graduates and friends of St. Jerome's:

The hundreds of names you see below represent a broad base of support for St. Jerome's College among graduates, businesses, parents, parishes, professionals, religious communities, religious organizations, faculty, staff, students, and many other friends.

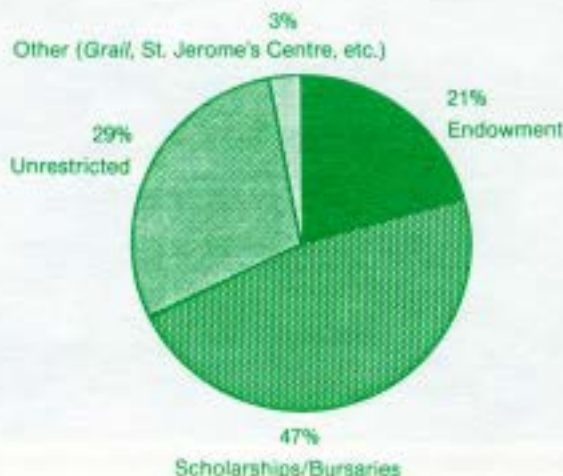
These names reflect more than mere dollars, although the financial contributions have done much to provide flexibility in our budget. In the last fiscal year nearly \$250,000 was raised among our graduates and friends. These names also show a high degree of commitment to our mission as a Catholic college. I am personally heartened by this widespread support.

In this our 125th anniversary year, we approach our future with confidence knowing that so many of our graduates and friends share in our work.

On behalf of all our faculty, staff, and students, thank you all for the personal sacrifice represented by your generosity, and thank you for believing in us. We will continue to work hard to be worthy of your trust.

Sincerely,  
Douglas R. Letson  
President

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## Librarian Betty Lanktree retires

During the last sixteen years, hundreds of students at St. Jerome's College immersed in research and reading, have benefitted from the cheerful presence and helpful assistance of our librarian Betty Lanktree. No query was ever too much trouble for Betty, who helped students unlock the vast storehouse of information that is a university library.

Betty Lanktree retired on October 31 after sixteen years of dedicated service to countless students and faculty. She started in the summer of 1973 "when life was simpler," she laughs, and when a spanking new College library was just opening. "I took over a spacious and attractive facility," says Betty, "and over the years I think it has remained attractive." As for spaciousness, she says the number of books has grown substantially and the present shelf space is cramped.

In recent years, Betty has been instrumental in automating the library. Two-thirds of the books are now "on-line" meaning they can be accessed using one of the two computer terminals in the library. "This is a long and complex job," observes Betty, "because we've had to create a data-base by adding our books to the system." The St. Jerome's library has over 30,000 volumes. Once completed, though, the benefits for students will be enormous making research much faster. The traditional card catalogue will eventually become obsolete.

Betty came to Canada in 1965 after earning her MA at St. Andrew's University in Scotland. She worked in the library at the University of Western Ontario in London while she worked on her Master of Library Science degree. Upon completion of her MLS, she started at St. Jerome's.

"I'll certainly miss the College," reflects Betty, who plans to continue to live in Waterloo. "I have loved working with the students especially. They have meant a lot to me and I have made many good friends."



Betty Lanktree (photo C. Valerote)

This is an early retirement for Betty. "I felt the timing was right," she notes. "Many of my friends are retiring and my work has reached a satisfying point insofar as the computerization is basically set up now. I just felt it would be nice to have some more free time."

A lover of music, particularly opera, Betty was delighted with the collection of compact discs she received from the College on her departure. They were accompanied by, appropriately, two beautifully illustrated books on music and on gardening, another favourite pastime of Betty's.

Retirement will afford her the opportunity for further travel. She has one brother in Rhode Island and one in Dundee, Scotland, both of whom she hopes to visit in the future. In 1984 she took an extensive trip through Asia including China, India, Nepal, and Thailand.

"Retirement will finally give me time to look at a book as something to be read rather than something to be catalogued," she laughs.

If the many cards, notes and other gestures of affection and appreciation Betty has received on her retirement are any indication, she certainly will not be forgotten by the many students, faculty and graduates she has so faithfully and tirelessly served. Congratulations and best wishes Betty!

## "Exciting possibilities" await new Librarian



Gary Draper  
(photo C. Valerote)

Succeeding Betty Lanktree as Librarian is Gary Draper of Waterloo. Draper holds a PhD in English literature from the University of Western Ontario, as well as a Master of Library Science from the same university.

He has worked at the University of Waterloo's Dana Porter Library since 1983 and held the positions of Reference Librarian; Coordinator, User Education; and, most recently, Head of the Reference and Collections Development Department.

"St. Jerome's appeals to me for many reasons," notes Draper. "The technological advances made here under Betty Lanktree hold some exciting possibilities for the future. Though I have experience in many areas of library work, this position will give me experience in some new areas such as acquisitions and cataloguing." Technology is changing so rapidly says Draper, that it won't be long before an entire card catalogue will be on two disks and will be able to provide searches by author, title, subject, and key word. "I'd like to see our library linked by computer network to the Kitchener Public Library, Wilfrid Laurier University and the University of Guelph, and other libraries in the region. I see the St. Jerome's Library as merely a gateway to many other resources. What happens in a library is, in many ways, more important than what is in a library."

Draper is no stranger to the small college setting having earned his BA at Huron College in London in 1969. The chance to return to a small academic community appealed to him. "My new position will give me lots of interaction with students and faculty, and I hope to develop some helpful user education programs for students." He has authored a series of publications to assist students in using the library more fully.

Draper taught English literature at Western from 1978 to 1982, and has published numerous reviews and articles in such periodicals as *Canadian Poetry*, *Books in Canada*, and *Poetry Canada Review*.

Draper, who is married and lives in Waterloo, enjoys walking, canoeing, and reading in his spare time. He recently gave a talk on library co-operation to the Ontario Librarians' Association meeting in Hamilton.

His warm personality and keen desire to work with students has already shown that the College community has a valuable resource in its new librarian.

## News Briefs

**St. Jerome's math student** Brian Vink recently won the Faculty of Mathematics Outstanding Work Report Award for Spring, 1989. He wrote about improving cash forecasting techniques and also won the Northern Telecom award for students in the Computer Science/Information Systems option. His co-op employment with Dow Chemical Canada allowed him to work on computer projects that involved business applications. He is a graduate of St. John's College in Brantford.

**Religious Studies Professor Walter Bildstein** is on long-term disability from the College. Walter's health will not permit him to continue his teaching duties. Regrettably, he had not recuperated sufficiently during his sabbatical leave. He lives at his home in Ayr with his wife Theresa. His address is 18 Walter Street, Ayr, Ontario, N0B 1E0 if you care to drop him a line.

**Grads' Association Scholarships and Bursaries** were awarded to three students this fall: Brent Hannusch, Anne Ruetz, and Bonnie Turner. These awards are made possible by the generous donations our grads make to the College each year.

**Promote your College!** Do you work in education? Do you regularly come in contact with high school age students? Here's your chance to promote St. Jerome's College by placing our liaison poster in your school, parish or youth group area. Just write to the Registrar, Mr. Kevin Dowdson and he'll send you an attractive poster and helpful information booklet. By bringing the College to the attention of interested young people, you will help us attract students. Our graduates are our best ambassadors. Send in for a poster and information booklet today.



## Enrolment reaches unprecedented heights

Full-time enrolment at the College has reached new heights as 805 students registered in programmes this Fall, an increase of 14% over Fall 1988. A breakdown by faculty shows over 550 students registered in Arts, while over 250 are registered in Math.

This increase reflects a nation-wide trend. For the first time in history, the number of full-time students at Canadian universities has passed the half-million mark, reports the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada. Figures made available in October show a 3.2% increase in the total number of full-time students over the same period last year, making 1989-90 the tenth straight record year for full-time enrolments.

Yet, it's not getting any easier to get into university. College Registrar Kevin Donelson reports that for Fall '89, students seeking to register in Arts received automatic admission if the admission average was 77% or better. Mathematics applicants to the Co-op Accounting Option programme required 80% or better, while students applying to regular or Co-operative programmes in Mathematics needed 75% or better on their admission average. Students were "hand-selected" in Arts if their

average fell between 72-77%, while in Math, that range was between 70-75%. This means that in addition to a student's grades, supplementary information such as extra-curricular involvement, part-time jobs, and volunteer work was considered.

This increase in enrolment has seen average class sizes balloon in some courses. The average class size in psychology this Fall is 50; English, 41; history, 32; mathematics, 49; and sociology, 70. Given the small physical size of our classrooms, students have experienced cramped quarters this year.

### \$140,000 awarded to students

Increased enrolment has meant an increase in pressure on our Scholarship Fund. Students will receive \$140,000 in scholarships and bursaries this year, and more than half that amount was awarded in entrance scholarships in September. This figure represents a major portion of the College's \$3.2 million annual budget. Our scholarship/bursary programme for students compares favourably with other church-related colleges in Ontario. Awards are given for academic achievement and/or financial need.

## Writeback

I just wished to send a short note to identify my change of address in Toronto for the future mailing of *Update!*

I also wanted to say hello and compliment you on *Update!* I really look forward to receiving news of the SJC community - it makes me feel part of things there, even at this short distance away.

I look forward to a future gathering of SJC alumni and friends.

Darcy Brioux, BA '86  
Toronto

I would like to tell you that I enjoy reading the *Update!* issues that I receive. It is good to keep in touch with all the activities at St. Jerome's and Notre Dame. The magazine always brings back wonderful memories of my years at the College and residence.

Kathryn (Kip) Hodgson, BA '84  
Waterloo

I am writing simply to say thank you for the profile in *Update!* 8:4 (Spring 1989): 7. The issue was most interesting (even with my profile), and I enjoyed reading about Father Norm Choate and seeing the photos of Doug Letson. So, as well-wishers usually say in such letters to the editor, keep up the good work.

Gerald Lynch, BA '76  
Ottawa



## Where are they now?

'73 Ken Lavigne (BA '73) was recently appointed Associate Registrar for Graduate Studies at the University of Waterloo. Ken had served as Assistant Registrar for the Faculties of Mathematics and Science at UW. He also held the same position for the Faculty of Human Kinetics and Leisure Studies prior to moving to Math and Science. Graduates will remember Ken as Registrar at St. Jerome's from 1976 to 1981.

'76 Kevin Phelan (BA '76) is the Central Canada Service Manager for Hewlett-Packard Ltd. He lives in Oakville.

Dave Potje (BA '78) earned his MA in Canadian history from Carleton University in 1979. Dave is presently General Manager of Twin City Printing in Kitchener. He and his wife Barbara Orr (BA '77) recently welcomed a new daughter, Shelby Elizabeth on October 23, 1989.

William Sirdevan (BA '78, MA '82) is a lawyer with the firm of Lawrence, Lawrence and Stevenson in Brampton. He is married and recently moved to Brampton.

'81 Mike Curtis (BA '81) and his wife Lorri became new parents on August 14, 1989 with the birth of their daughter Lindsay Elizabeth in Hamilton.

Marisa Valente (BA '81) teaches at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School in Markham.

Lee Anne Doyle (BES '81) recently became Deputy Clerk-Administrator for the Township of Maidstone in the County of Essex. She lives with her husband in Tecumseh, near Windsor. She formerly held the position of City Planner in Sarnia.

Rick (BA '81) and Terry (née Cahill) Sisk (BA '81) recently moved to Calgary where Rick assumed new duties as the Branch Manager for Olympic Floor and Wall Tile. The Sisks have two children.

'82 Daniel Miehme (BA '82) was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Hamilton in May, 1989. He is now an Associate Pastor at St. Francis Xavier Parish in Stoney Creek, Ontario.

'83 Ernest "Dicky" Massiah (BA '83) is living in Baltimore, Maryland, where he is a doctoral student in the John Hopkins University School of Public Health. Dicky was previously living in Guyana.

'84 Bill Cross (BA '84) lives in Washington where he is Legal Counsel to the Democratic National Committee.

Andrea (née Coffey) Craig (BA '84) teaches at Bluevale Collegiate in Kitchener. She earned her BEd degree from Brock University, and her MA in English from the University of Windsor. Her husband, John, teaches at Glenview Park High School in Galt.

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## In Memoriam



*Death is not extinguishing the light; it is pulling out the lamp because the dawn has come.*

David Michel Forget,  
1969 - 1989

(photo courtesy the Forget family)

St. Jerome's resident David Michel Forget died tragically on July 25, 1989, a week short of his twentieth birthday. A first year co-op geology student, he was on his work term doing geological research for BHP Utah Mines in the Northwest Territories at a campsite 100 miles northwest of Rankin Inlet on Hudson's Bay.

A native of Penetang, Ontario, David is survived by his parents Michael and Georgette, and a sister, Julie.

"David loved nature and enjoyed camping and golfing," recalls his father Michael. "He was an avid reader and man of faith."



David lived in the Men's Residence during his first year. "We were shocked when we heard the news," recalls floormate Steve Eaton. "David was well-liked on the floor and helped many of us with our calculus. He was never angry and was always regarded as a nice guy."

David was a graduate of École Secondaire Penetanguishene in Penetanguishene where he was an Ontario Scholar. He received the prestigious Canada Scholarship during his first year at university.





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**Jim Puddister (BSc '84)** is the new Manager of Data Processing at Nipissing University College in North Bay. Jim reports that NUC has "an academic mission similar to that of St. Jerome's". He is married to **Lisa McDonald** and the Puddisters have a two-year-old daughter named Bailey.

**Dana Woito (BA '84)** recently left her post as Program Information Officer in the Ministry of Community and Social Services of the Government of Ontario. Prior to this, Dana worked as a researcher/speech writer in the Liberal Caucus Research Office at Queen's Park. She is now Coordinator of Promotions for Vision TV, the new faith and ethics channel. Dana published a review of the musical "Les Misérables" in the September, 1989 issue of *Grail: An Ecumenical Journal*.

**Katharyn (née Pigden) Hodgson (BA '84)** earned her Primary Teacher's Certificate from the Toronto Montessori Institute on May 27, 1989.

'85 **Marianne Morin (BMath '85)** is a network services planner with Bell Northern Research in Ottawa, the city in which she makes her home.

'86 **Karin Eby (BA '86)** received a BED degree from Lakehead University in 1989, and now holds a teaching position with the Waterloo Region Separate School Board.

**Mark Gawlina (BA '86)** is a Customer Service Representative with United Parcel Service in Downsview.

**Joe De Viveiros, C.R. (BMath '86)** entered the Novitiate of the Congregation of the Resurrection in Woodstock Illinois following his graduation, and professed first vows in August, 1987. He has completed two years of the Master of Divinity programme doing an internship year at Holy Name of Jesus Parish in North Bay, Ontario.

**Darcy Brioux (BA '86)** is Programme Supervisor for Community Services and Recreation at the University of Toronto. He also is an instructor for a second year course in the School of Physical and Health Education at U of T.

'87 **Mona (née Armstrong) Woodfine (BA '87)** married Nicholas Woodfine on June 3, 1989. She and her husband are registered in the Master of Social Work Programme at Wilfrid Laurier University.



*St. Jerome's Math grad Paul Fryer (BMath '89) won't easily forget the singular honour bestowed on him during the Fall Convocation. He was awarded the K.D. Fryer Medal for high academic standing in mathematics together with good student citizenship. The medal is named for Paul's father, the late Ken Fryer, a long standing and popular Math professor at Waterloo. The medal was accompanied by the framed print pictured above. (photo courtesy UVV Central Photo)*

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