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Newfoundland inquiries and their fall-out subject of lecture

Events leading up to two inquiries dealing with child sexual abuse in Newfoundland and their fall-out will be the subject of a public lecture at Wilfrid Laurier University on Oct. 23.

Ross Klein, a professor of social work at the Memorial University of Newfoundland and president-elect of the Newfoundland Association of Social Workers, will be the guest speaker.

Klein is also a member of the Archdiocesan Committee on Child Sexual Abuse, established in May by the Archbishop of St. John's to develop services for the victims, families and communities affected by the abuses of priests.

As well as outlining the state of child sexual abuse prevention programs in Newfoundland, Klein will look at the effects of the Hughes and Winter inquiries on the faith of parishioners; the standing of the social work profession as a whole; the morale of individual social workers; and government programming.

The lecture will begin at 3:30 p.m. in Rm. 4-110 on the fourth floor of the Central Teaching Building.