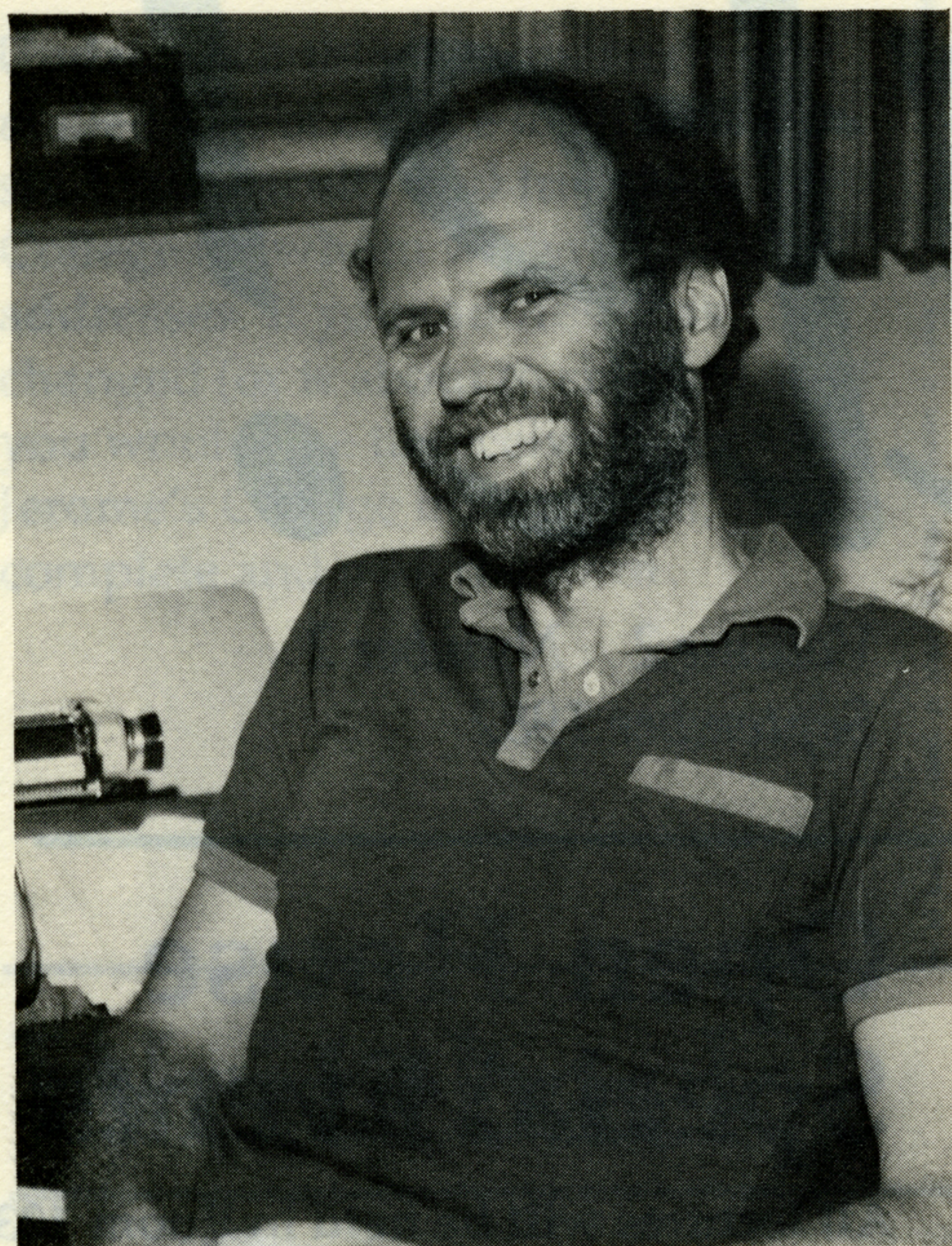


Comings and Goings



Prof Attends Ottawa Reception For Brazilian President

Peter Smith, professor of Latin American History at the College, recently was the guest of the Canadian government at a reception for the visiting President of Brazil, Joao Figueiredo. The reception was held in Ottawa on July 19. Smith was one of the few academics from across Canada invited to attend. This was the first time a Brazilian president had made a state visit to Canada.

While in Ottawa, Smith, a specialist in Brazilian studies, attended a conference of over 300 Canadian and Brazilian businessmen and cabinet

ministers. Discussion centered on improving trade relations between the two countries.

Smith, who served as Assistant Dean from 1975 to 1981, recently began a year's sabbatical leave. He plans to travel to England soon to attend a conference on Latin American studies. During March and April 1983, he'll be in Brazil, continuing research on a powerful Brazilian military general who was influential in the 1930s and '40s. Smith expects to publish his findings in 1983.

Sabbaticals

Four of our professors returned from a year's sabbatical leave on July 1. It was an opportunity for each to pursue research projects and other scholarly activities.

Walter Bildstein, Religious Studies, spent part of his sabbatical in Europe conducting research, writing, and meeting with other theologians. He worked on two manuscripts, one of which is entitled *Love and Let Live* and deals with human sexuality and moral theology. The other, a handbook for lay people and students encompassing a contemporary study of sacramental theology, is called *Spirit and the Body*.

Gerry Campbell, Philosophy, worked at teaching himself the fundamentals of Greek grammar and vocabulary. He also conducted research on the foundations of the science of logic in the French commentaries of Monsignor Maurice Dionne. In addition, Campbell worked in an area he says "has been neglected for the past 800 years" – the philosophy of the family.

Doug Letson, English, Dean of St. Jerome's from 1975 to 1981, spent his sabbatical establishing the highly successful Institute for Studies in Theological Renewal. (See article p. 4).

This summer's course was "The Religious Experience of the Young" and attracted 70 students from across the province. The teachers, parents, counsellors and others who took the course remarked that the broad range of lecturers offered an interesting approach to this dimension of pre-adult life.

Ken McLaughlin, History, finished a jointly authored book manuscript called *Berlin/Kitchener: An Illustrated History*. He also won a *Communications Award* presented by Heritage Canada for his work in heritage conservation. McLaughlin also began working on a book commissioned by the Canadian Historical Association as part of a series on Canada's ethnic groups. Entitled *The Germans in Canada*, it will be completed next summer.

Associate Professor of English **Stan Fogel** began a year's sabbatical leave at the end of August. He'll be living in Los Angeles and doing most of his research at the University of Southern California Centre for the Humanities. He plans to complete a book comparing contemporary Canadian and American fiction, and he's going to call it *A Tale of Two Countries*. (It should be a

Dickens of a good book, Stan!) As Fogel prepared to leave, the big question around the College was How will the A-Football team manage without him? An avid athlete, Fogel says that his year in California will be only a "temporary retirement" from the St. Jerome's sportsworld.

