A Festive Tribute to Dawn Russell as the Law School welcomes new dean, Phillip Saunders

Justice James MacPherson returns to Dalhousie

Angus L. Macdonald remembering a distinguished alumnus
The first issue of Hearsay…

THIS YEAR MARKS the 30th anniversary of Hearsay which made its first appearance in January 1976. Then dean, Ronald St. John Macdonald (LL.B.’52) announced the establishment of an office of alumni affairs which was to have as one of its responsibilities the establishment and maintenance of a regular news bulletin. The cover photo was taken by Professor G.V.V. Nicholls depicting the sculpture by Gord Smith at the entrance of the still relatively new Weldon Building. In contrast, the back cover contained a photograph of the library in the “old law building” — now the University Club — on the Studley Campus.

Our first issue profiled three individuals. It was noted that the recently retired John Willis was busy completing the history of the Law School that Horace Read (LL.B.’24) was working on at the time of his death. George V.V. Nicholls, “one of the Law School’s best known and respected teachers”, had become a member of the part-time Faculty. H. Leslie (Les) O’Brien (LL.B.’67) had been appointed Associate Dean.

Professor R. Graham Murray (LL.B.’40) wrote an eloquent piece about the “Old Law Building” on the Studley Campus. Professor Clayton Hutchins (LL.B.’41) reported on admissions policy. Professor David Mullan told about small group seminars in Contracts, a new approach to first-year studies “which is proving valuable and stimulating to students and teachers alike.” Professor Hudson Janisch wrote on the new emphasis on continuing legal education undertaken by the Public Services Committee. Professor Douglas Johnston (who sadly passed away on May 6, 2006) outlined the very exciting special program in Marine and Environmental Studies. As it was the first issue Hearsay said it had been able to collect only a few notes about the alumni, but asked for help in getting news on births, marriages, deaths, job changes and promotions, or any matters the readers would like to write about.

Much like the first issue today’s Hearsay strives to keep alumni acquainted with what is going on at the Law School, and attempts to be the principal link between alumni and their alma mater.

Since our last issue we entered the “post Dawn era.” Our cover depicts the passing of the torch from Dawn Russell to Dean Phillip Saunders. We have included a few of the photos and comments from the gala dinner celebrating the close of Dean Russell’s decade as the Law School’s first female dean. For his part, Dean Saunders is not entirely a stranger in his new role. He served as Acting Dean during the 2001-02 academic year.

The Law School welcomed back an alumnus and old friend, Justice James C. MacPherson (LL.B.’74) of the Ontario Court of Appeal. Justice MacPherson chose to spend his sabbatical year from the Court at Dal. In addition to his own work “Jim” was very much a part of the life of the School. He was one of the judges of the Smith Shield. He taught classes, attended lectures and renewed many old acquaintances. Hearsay is delighted that Justice MacPherson agreed to share some of his observations of the “current lay of the land” at the School.

I personally enjoy stories which record aspects of our history. Dianne Marshall has contributed a feature on Angus L. MacDonald (LL.B.’21). Best known as one of Nova Scotia’s most distinguished and beloved premiers, MacDonald was also a brilliant law student, lecturer and Assistant Dean of Law. With regard to more contemporary matters I also find much interest in learning of the careers of our alumni who choose a somewhat less traditional way of putting their legal talents and skills to work. In this issue we profile a star basketball coach, a standup comedienne, and a film and TV writer and producer.
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LAST JULY I ASSUMED the position of Dean at Dalhousie Law School, as Dawn Russell stepped down after an extraordinarily successful 10 years of service in the position. In the intervening months I have had the opportunity to gain a greater appreciation for the strength and vitality of the Law School programme, and the range of accomplishments of our students and faculty. In the summer of 2005, we received the report of a University Senate Review of the School, which was both extremely positive and helpful in providing guidance for the coming years. The external reviewers, both former Deans at other schools, described “a law school that has a robust teaching programme, a committed and industrious faculty, and an energetic and talented student body”, and found that it “is deserving of its national reputation.” I can only agree.

This issue of Hearsay will, I hope, give some idea of the busy and productive year that we have had at the School. As you will see, our faculty and students have won numerous honours, including the award of the Order of Canada to Professor Wayne Mackay, the selection of Professor Dianne Pothier for the Frances Fish Women Lawyer’s Award, the recognition of Professor Steve Coughlan with the Atlantic Universities Teaching Award, and the announcement of Professor Rollie Thompson as the winner of the Justice Vincent Pottier Award for Outstanding contributions to the Dalhousie Legal Aid Service. And this is only a partial list.

The research accomplishments of the School also continue to go from strength to strength, with over a dozen major books published by faculty members over the past year, on topics ranging from judicial biography (Philip Girard’s superb biography of Bora Laskin) to environmental law (Meinhard Doelle’s timely work on the Kyoto Protocol) and law and technology (Teresa Scassa and Michael Deturbide’s text on the law of electronic commerce).

Our students also continued to excel, both academically and in their many other activities. This year saw the production of an outstanding edition of the student-run Dalhousie Journal of Legal Studies, with a wide range of top quality articles. Once again, Dal students continued to lead the country in their level of participation in the Pro Bono Students programme. Our first year class, drawn from one of the strongest applicant pools in a number of years, promises to continue this tradition of achievement and commitment.

A notable aspect of the Law School year has been the number and quality of our visitors and lecturers. It is impossible to name them all here, but in addition to the various lecture series, we have had visitors such as Professor Roberta Romano from Yale (Tory’s Business Law Visitor), Roy Romanow (Health Law), Myron Scholes, Nobel Prize Winner in Economics (Smith Lecture) and Professor Merrit Fox of Columbia (Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt Lecture). We were particularly fortunate this year to have welcomed Justice James MacPherson of the Ontario Court of Appeal as a judicial sabbaticant, teaching Constitutional Law and becoming, in short order, a familiar face at faculty and student events.

Over the past several months, I have visited alumni across the country, from St. John’s to Vancouver, and have been greatly impressed by the level of support and interest, and the commitment to help where possible in ensuring the continued success of the School and our graduates. For those of you whom I have not yet met, I look forward to seeing you on future visits, and thank all of you for your support and encouragement. •
IT’S GRADUATION TIME — the Dal Law Alumni family is about to expand again. Our new family members are a diverse group; they come from a variety of backgrounds and circumstances, the extent of which would probably amaze and shock the alumni members of a century ago. We are no longer a homogenous group of white Christian men. Our family tree has branched out to include women, people of colour and a range of religious beliefs (or lack thereof) as well as a variety of chronological ages and geographic origins.

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Guess who’s coming to Law School?

Julia Cornish LL.B.’83

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So what to make of the recent suggestion, by a local politician, that Nova Scotia should financially penalize students who are educated here but do not remain? In my view, that’s not an appropriate response to the pressing reality of the cost of education. We’ve propped open our doors wider through the years. By doing so, we’ve created better citizens of the world — and some new citizens for Nova Scotia. Let’s not allow money to narrow the entrance by discouraging anyone who wants to be part of this.

Congratulations to the class of ’06 — and welcome to the family. We’re counting on you. — Julia Cornish, President Dalhousie Law Alumni Association
Social activism is alive and well at Dal Law

I RECENTLY READ your article in the alumni magazine, Hearsay, concerning social activist law students in the Editor’s Note “Where have all the activists gone?”

I appreciate your submission but would like to bring to your attention the many recent social justice achievements of Dalhousie Law Students.

Firstly, within the law school itself there is a strong commitment to social justice issues. There is SALSA the Social Activists Law Students Association. Every year it raises thousands of dollars for the Dalhousie Legal Aid Clinic through an event called First Aid for Legal Aid. SALSA was active in offering legal observing, know your rights workshops, police complaint submissions and tenants’ rights workshops. SALSA organized IDEALaw, a conference held in 2004.

The 2004 conference brought in over 100 people. Our keynote speaker was Elizabeth May (LL.B.’83) of the Sierra Club. We featured Michael Mandel (of lawyers against the war), Grahame Russell (international funding NGO called Rights Action), Christin Gleeson (Pivot Legal Society in Vancouver), and Mike DeGagne (Aboriginal Healing Foundation). We provided fair trade coffee, ceramic mugs, organic snacks, and a Pad Thai dinner with music. Speakers and attendees ate dinner together and washed their plates together. It was a thought provoking and refreshing conference.

Secondly, I cannot underestimate the ‘institutional’ hurdles of pursuing social justice jobs after graduation. You must job hunt on your own and with your own resources, as our career placement institutions within Dal tend to be geared to traditional firms and most NGOs operate on scarce resources. It is also difficult to find social justice articling positions due to the requirements of the bar societies. And the most critical factor: leaving school with a huge debt. Unfortunately, most social justice placements just can’t offer salaries that are competitive with the city’s leading firms. And they can’t offer perks such as payment for the bar course, memberships to fitness centres, or full medical/dental fulfillments.

Leaving law school significantly ‘in the red’ such financial considerations have a very strong pull.

Despite these challenges I know many people involved in social justice initiatives. Currently, I am doing an internship at Pivot Legal Society. Former Dal student Dave Eby (LL.B.’04) is a lawyer with Pivot Legal Society, and Eugene Kung, Neil Chantler and Chris Misura (who are still Dal students) were volunteering here in the summer. Pivot is a non-profit organization based in the downtown eastside of Vancouver. It is Canada’s poorest postal code, a vulnerable community with little or no access to legal rights.

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My position here at Pivot has gone above and beyond what I expected to find in the real world of practising law. I have helped research and develop legal arguments on some of the most interesting legal questions of the day: How do you improve police accountability? What do you do when a city passes a by-law prohibiting safe-injection sites? What action can you take when the city attempts to close down ‘eye sore’ social housing because the Olympics are coming? I have worked on exciting areas of constitutional law concerning s.7 and s.15. It is now apparent to me that with perseverance and creativity one can use the law to ‘raise the floor’ so to speak. It is remarkably rewarding to use the law for the purpose in which it is intended, and to benefit from a work environment where we help each other to become professionals with the highest degree of ability.

There are also several others from Dalhousie who are active in social justice positions. Devon Peavoy is with the Pacific Island Aids Foundation in Vanatu, South Pacific. Andrew Waugh is at the University of Namibia. Brook Land-Murphy is up in the far, far North working with a human rights group, Megan Leslie and Terry Mazzerolle are with the Dal Legal Aid Clinic, and Andrew Ouchterlon is in Ecuador with a human rights group. And I’m sure there are several more with whom I’ve lost contact...

Perhaps instead of concluding that there is a decline in the number of social activists in Canadian law schools, you may entertain the idea that there is an impressive number of highly talented and socially aware Dalhousie students and graduates that are out there in the field making significant contributions to the development of Canadian law.

Thank you Professor Yogis. I appreciate your article for bringing the issue to light.

Melissa Klages, LL.B.’05
WE RECENTLY READ your editorial in the *Ansur*, entitled “Where have all the activists gone” and felt the need to respond. The activists haven’t gone anywhere, we’re still here. While we don’t necessarily interrupt Law Hour or produce internal publications five times a year, there are many broad and complex social and environmental issues being tackled at Weldon in a variety of ways.

One example of legal activism came with the recent IDEALaw conference organized by the Social Activist Law Student Association (SALSA) and held at Dalhousie on February 10-11, 2006.

Academics, students, practitioners and members of the community came together to envision new concepts of a “just” society. The goal was to create a positive space for activists and advocates of all kinds to congregate and constructively discuss what they can do to bring us closer to their vision of an ideal society. It was inspiring and the speakers showed students that there are many ways to use the law to help create a more just society. It was a great success with more than 200 participants, many from out of province.

The keynote speaker was Mark Kingwell, a visionary, best-selling author, and Professor of Philosophy at the University of Toronto. A series of panel discussions featuring 14 other prominent guests discussing six major themes: activism in the 21st century, law and ideals in the international context; law and sexuality; community development; poverty and the law; and environmental issues in a just society.

The hope was that IDEALaw 2006 would be more than an academic exercise and allow participants to bridge the gap between talk and action. Speakers were encouraged to share what they are doing in practice to effect change.

IDEALaw 2006 was driven by the notion that a “just” society is possible. This notion was woven into the fabric of the entire conference. Locally-produced food was provided by community businesses and served on reusable dishes. IDEALaw 2006 mugs were filled throughout the conference with fairly traded coffee.

And to prove that there are plenty of advocates for a just society at Weldon, SALSA had the generous support of numerous student organizations at Dalhousie, including the Law Students’ Society, the Dalhousie Student Union, the Environmental Law Students Society, the Dalhousie Black Law Students Association, the Dalhousie Aboriginal Law Students Association, and our student chapter of Canadian Lawyers for International Human Rights.

Mahdi Shams, (LL.B.’08)
Stephanie Lane, (LL.B.’08)
The road less travelled

Once again we take a look at law grads who opt for alternative careers

IN A CONVERSATION with Hearsay in February, 2006, Steve Konchalski (LL.B.’69) said he remembers with great affection his days at Dalhousie Law School. He also said that, as strange as it may seem, hardly a day goes by without his legal training playing some part in his job as head coach of the St. Francis Xavier X-Men’s basketball program.

Over the last twelve seasons Steve has led the X-Men to the top of Canadian University basketball, capturing six Atlantic conference titles along with back-to-back National championships in 2000 and 2001. Named the 2001 Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) Coach of the Year, Steve previously led the X-Men to the school’s first National title in 1993.

Over his 31 year career, Steve has accumulated 650 wins and led the team to 30 consecutive appearances in the Atlantic Conference Playoffs. Internationally, he served for 16 years as Assistant Coach of Canada’s National Team (including three Olympic games) and was Head Coach of Team Canada for four years. Steve also coached the Nova Scotia Junior Men’s team for three summers, including the 2001 Canada Games squad.

Steve is a native of Elmhurst, New York. In his student days he was a basketball star in his own right. He led Acadia University to a national title in 1965 and was chosen the tournament’s Most Valued Player. He has been inducted into the Acadia University Sports Hall of Fame (as an athlete), the Canadian Basketball Hall of Fame (as a builder), and the St. Francis Xavier Sports Hall of Fame. In 1999 he was honoured as the inaugural recipient of the Frank Baldwin Memorial Award for his dedication to basketball in Nova Scotia.

Steve grabbed headlines in December, 2005, when he coached his 1000th game. He told The Globe and Mail’s Sport Reporter, James Mirtle, “The thing I am most proud of is sticking with one school for 1,000 games. It shows a commitment to (the) university and our players. Other than that, it’s just a number, and my plan is to keep coaching for as long as I’m healthy. I’m definitely a lifer.”

Steve has authored a book entitled Silver to Gold in which he chronicles the back-to-back National Championships that spanned his 25th year at St. FX. Steve and his wife, Charlene, have three children, Chris (23), Julianne (21) and Maria (17).

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Steve Konchalski
OCCUPATION: Varsity Basketball Coach
CLASS OF ’69
NO ONE WOULD DARE suggest to Candy Palmater (LL.B. ’99) that she should not quit her day job. Of late, this law school grad has developed a large following as a dynamic speaker, and as a stand-up comedian.

The lady herself says that in 1968, on a cold winter night in Dalhousie New Brunswick, “The Candy Show” officially began. Coming into the world at a whopping 11 pounds she states, “It was clear from the start that I was different!”

The youngest of seven children, with a Mi’kmaq (First Nations of Eastern Canada) father and a white mother, Candy says she walks with a foot in each world.

After three years at Dalhousie she graduated as the first Mi’kmaq valedictorian of a law school in Canada. She then went to work at a Halifax corporate firm. After leaving private practice as a labour lawyer, Candy joined the provincial government of Nova Scotia working on Aboriginal policy and Diversity management. She currently delivers corporate training on Aboriginal Perceptions to the Nova Scotia civil service as well as a number of private sector clients. Candy has lectured extensively throughout Canada on Aboriginal legal, education and employment equity issues. She has also provided commentary to the national media on Aboriginal legal issues.

Candy likes to describe herself as a “recovered lawyer.” After years of “hamming it up” for friends, family and colleagues, she finally decided to “hit the stage” with her brash and intelligent wit. Her first gig was a private event for 200 people which resulted in a standing ovation. Things quickly snowballed and inside of one year she found herself on the stage of her first international comedy festival. In her performance at the Halifax Comedy Festival Candy shared the stage with seasoned veterans (all male) for a raucous “Comedy on the Edge Night.”

In what she describes as the “experience of a lifetime” Candy was invited by the Maori in November 2005 to be the keynote speaker at a symposium held in New Zealand at the Watangei Treaty Grounds. Other upcoming events include a CBC documentary. “They have been following me around, and will continue to do so for the next while. The angle is the switch from lawyer to comic.”

APTN is in negotiations with Pink Dog Productions to air “The Candy Show”, a 30 minute variety show, of which she will be the star. At the end of April Candy performed at the Halifax Comedy Fest. Some of her performances from last year’s Comedy Fest aired on CBC in April. Candy also writes for the Halifax Daily News. On Saturdays her column “Candy at Large” gives her opinionated views on matters relevant to residents of Halifax, as well as the province at large.

In the Sunday Daily News she is often featured in the “Head Bangers Column” — a feature in which two well known personalities present differing viewpoints on issues of current interest.

Candy enjoys poking fun at her former profession. She also capitalizes on her Mi’kmaq culture by poking fun at white folk (I’m not prejudiced, my mom is white!), and spoofing some of the absurd stereotypes society has about Aboriginal people. Candy is often hired to emcee corporate events as well as perform, and she specializes in catering to her audience. She states that if you want “an intelligent out of the ordinary personality for your event be sure to check out The Candy Show – but you better wear your “Depends” because you are sure to pee your pants!!” •

Editor’s note: Candy’s booking agency is Limelight Productions and her web site is www.thecandyshow.ca

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Candy Palmater
OCCUPATION: COMEDIENNE
CLASS OF ‘99
A natural leader: 

Angus L. Macdonald

by Dianne Marshall
ANGUS L. MACDONALD was born on August 10th, 1890 in a small farmhouse in Dunvegan, Cape Breton — the ninth of fourteen children born to Lewis and Veronica Macdonald. A strong work ethic, instilled in him by his mother, and the good humour and community spirit of his father, prepared him well for the road ahead. After graduating from Port Hood Academy and working both as a teacher and as a labourer to earn his tuition, Angus enrolled at St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish.

An excellent student, he soon gained prominence on campus as the leader of the debating team and as editor of the school paper. On graduation day, June 28th, 1914, however, the entire world changed. While he and his fellow students were celebrating their achievements, the Archduke Ferdinand was being assassinated in Sarajevo and within months, Canada was at war.

As soon as he was free to do so, Angus enlisted and so impressed his superiors as a ‘natural leader of men’ that he was quickly promoted to Captain and Company Commander of the 185th Battalion, Cape Breton Highlanders. After being shipped off to England, Macdonald and his men were sent on to the battlefields of France. Many never returned and just days prior to the Armistice, on November 7th, 1918, Macdonald himself was seriously wounded by a sniper. On June 28th, 1919 he returned to Canada in good health and soon after was discharged.

War itself was an education for Angus. The terrible sights and sounds that he had witnessed and the loss of so many young lives, including his brother Colin, caused him to become more pragmatic and more open to differing views than ever before. It was with this knowledge that he resumed his studies.

The Law School In the fall of 1919, the Law School occupied two floors in the North Wing of the Forrest Building. It boasted a library of more than 9,000 volumes and its student body was comprised of some of the most brilliant young men of the day, including a first year student, Angus L. Macdonald.

At 29, Angus was considerably older than many of his classmates though he managed to fit in quite easily; and before long, he and a few like-minded young men formed a comradeship that would last their entire lives. They soon dubbed themselves “The Furnace Room Club” as the only place they had been able to gather without interruption – to discuss the finer points of law and politics – was in the basement furnace room of the Forrest Building.

In addition to carrying an extensive course load, Angus was a member of the Dalhousie rugger team and as a pro-active member of the Athletic Association, he personally re-organized the inter-faculty sports system. He had begun writing a sports column for the Dalhousie Gazette and in his second year was Assistant and then Associate Editor – and still, he found the time to serve as a member of the 1920-21 Students’ Council. Remarkably, he managed to accomplish all of this in just two years, graduating in 1921, with high honours.

Following graduation, Angus served for a time as Assistant Deputy Attorney General for Nova Scotia, while continuing to maintain his connection to the Law School as a part-time lecturer. Then in 1925, he left the government to teach full time and once again became extensively involved in campus activities, managing to balance his love of teaching with his love of sports, by coaching the football team. Before long, he rose to the position of Assistant Dean of Law. But he was as much a student as teacher and within a few years, he took the time to further his own education by heading off to Columbia University and then to Harvard where, in 1930, he received a Doctor of Science of Jurisprudence.

Soon after his return to Halifax Angus, quite unexpectedly, found himself on a new course. Though he had always been politically active, he had no idea when he walked into the 1930 Annual Meeting of the Nova Scotia Liberal Party that he would walk out as its Leader.

The Dalhousie Alumni News (November 1930) summed up the feeling on campus this way:

“We feel certain that if he brings to bear in the wider life those fine qualities he displayed as a teacher in the law school that he will, at the very least, leave the stamp of an able mind on the community.”

In 1933, Angus became Premier and, with the welfare of Nova Scotians as his motivation, soon oversaw the implementation of the Old Age Pensions Act. But he didn’t stop there. Focusing on the needs of those who were feeling the pain of the depression years, Angus initiated public works projects to combat unemployment and to give pride back to working people. As well, he set up a Department of Labour and promoted workers’ compensation and unemployment insurance programs. Knowing from personal experience the importance of education, he made schoolbooks free to all children, to give the poor an even chance; and, for the thousands of unemployed who had been arriving at Halifax in search of work, and finding none, he invested $100,000 in a Winter Relief Program.

The economy improved substantially under his watch, and though across the world the Depression was coming to an end, Nova Scotians believed wholeheartedly that Macdonald alone was responsible for their changing fortunes. To them he was simply “Angus L.”, a friend, leader and someone in whom they could place their trust. In short, they loved him.

Several months after the start of WWII, Angus was called into wartime service and joined MacKenzie King’s cabinet as the country’s first Minister of Defence for the Naval Service. Under his guidance, the Royal Canadian Navy grew to its greatest strength in history; but when the war ended, Angus gladly came home to resume his place as Premier of the province he loved.

Nova Scotia in Mourning. When Angus died suddenly of heart failure on April 13th, 1954, his law school friends joined the entire province in an extended period of mourning. An estimated 85,000 people, many of whom had come into Halifax from towns and villages across Nova Scotia, filed past his coffin at Province House over the Easter weekend; and on Monday, April 19th, more than 100,000 lined the city streets in silent respect – many in tears, others doffing their hats or saluting – as a mile long procession followed the gun carriage bearing his casket first to Saint Mary’s Basilica and then on to the Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Sackville. There has never been another like him.

Dianne Marshall is the author of Georges Island The Keep of Halifax Harbour.
Floyd Kane’s "North/South" wins CBC Competition

Floyd Kane on location for shooting of North/South. Photo credit: Andrew Tench.
A PILOT SERIES based upon a story line by Floyd Kane (LL.B.’96) was recently awarded a CBC competition for a new daytime drama series reflecting diversity issues in contemporary Canadian society. While “North/South” will manifest all the key elements typical of a soap opera, such as love triangles and corporate rivalry, it will focus on the uniqueness and diversity that is inherent to Halifax Regional Municipality.

“North/South” is set in the construction industry. From the boardrooms to the construction sites, from the south end of Halifax to Preston, the series follows the exploits and struggles of the Kilcoynes, Colleys, Toulanys and Singhs, four economically and socially diverse families.

Following the announcement of the award in March creator/producer Floyd said, “We are thrilled CBC is giving us the opportunity to continue the journey with these characters. We can only hope viewers across Canada tune in for what we believe to be a sexy, fast-paced, home grown drama set in the increasingly cosmopolitan city of Halifax.”

Following graduation from Dalhousie Law School in 1996 Floyd articled with Blake, Cassels and Graydon in Toronto and was called to the Ontario Bar in 1998. As Legal Counsel to Salter Street Films Ltd. from 1999 to 2004, Floyd has practiced extensively in the field of Film and Entertainment Law. He served as Production Executive on several projects notably, the Academy-Award winning, Bowling for Columbine, and Shattered City: The Halifax Explosion.

In April 2004 Floyd joined The Halifax Film Company Ltd. assuming the position of Vice-President, Creative and Business Affairs. In this role he is responsible for all production business and legal affairs. In addition, as Vice-President, Creative Affairs, Floyd is responsible for initiating and pursuing properties on behalf of the company, and has been instrumental in the development of productions based on the Governor General’s Literary Award winning book, Paris 1919: Six Months That Changed the World by author Margaret MacMillan, as well as the upcoming feature film based on Lieutenant-General Romeo Dallaire’s book, Shake Hands with the Devil: The Failure of Humanity in Rwanda.

As a participant in the film and television community in the Atlantic Region, Floyd serves on the boards of the Atlantic Film Festival Association and the Atlantic Film-Makers Co-operative (AFCOOP).

North/South is a co-production of The Halifax Film Company and Inner City Films of Toronto in association with CBC Television. It began shooting at various locations in Halifax in March.

Justice Jamie Saunders: Role of judges explained in new multi-media program

AT THE INVITATION OF the California Judicial Council, WGBH Public Broadcasting, WestEd, and the Carnegie Foundation, Mr. Justice Jamie Saunders (LL.B.’73) of the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal recently addressed a summit of scholars, textbook writers, social scientists, policy makers, legislators, court administrators, news executives and leading members of the judiciary, who met in San Francisco to consider the theme Re-thinking Civics Education. Justice Saunders presented a paper entitled: “Judicial Impartiality and Independence: Why Don’t They Get It? Teaching the Next Generation”

He described Try Judging www.tryjudging.ca, the multi-media educational curriculum he conceived and developed to explain the role of judges in Canada’s constitutional democracy, and foster an understanding of certain core principles including judicial impartiality and independence, the presumption of innocence, equity, fairness, and the rule of law. This initiative has met with tremendous success, has already been added to the high school curriculum in Alberta, Saskatchewan and New Brunswick, with other provinces and territories signing up, and has been taught at the university level in both law schools and graduate studies programs.
Imagine a country where there are only 55 lawyers. Might sound like paradise to some and indeed, the Lao People’s Democratic Republic (a country that does in fact have only 55 lawyers) has been described as a paradise, though more for its tropical climate than for its small bar.

Lao PDR, a former French colony, is a small, land-locked country in Southeast Asia, bordering China, Myanmar, Thailand, Cambodia and Vietnam. It is very poor (one of the least developed countries in the world) and is known for its gentle, mostly Buddhist people; the mighty Mekong River which flows down its length; and for the unenviable record during the Vietnam/Indochina War of being the most heavily bombed place on earth. (American B52s dropped the equivalent of one planeload of bombs every eight minutes, 24 hours a day, for nine years during this period. Up to 30% of the bombs failed to detonate and they continue to claim the limbs and lives of people in Lao weekly.) A communist government installed itself in the country in 1975 (which didn’t bode well for the private practice of law) and remains in power today though the country has largely moved towards a market economy.

I have been working with Lao’s professional organization of lawyers, the Lao Bar Association (LBA) in the capital, Vientiane, for the last four months. My placement is the first in Lao for the Canadian Bar Association (CBA) who arranged my six-month internship here through Foreign Affairs Canada’s Young Professionals Internship (YPI) Program. The CBA placed 10 young Canadian lawyers with non-governmental organizations around the world through the YPI program this year — seven of my colleagues are doing human rights work in Africa, and two are working in Guatemala with sweatshop workers and the families of those killed in the genocide in that country.

My work at the LBA is a little different, and is generally described as “capacity building.” As might be expected in a country with so few lawyers, there is nearly a complete lack of public awareness and understanding about the role and, to a degree, even the existence of lawyers as a profession. Currently,
most disputes are dealt with at first instance outside the formal legal system through Kairea (roughly translated as village mediation) where Nai Ban (local chiefs) and elders attempt to resolve disputes between parties.

Many matters, particularly criminal, are dealt with through the formal legal system, and it is clear that many in the legal sector, such as the police, courts, and prosecutors, have little idea of a lawyer’s role and are uncomfortable in their relationship with members of the bar. In recent meetings I attended, judges and police officials expressed their dismay with lawyers who are not “impartial” when they defend clients in criminal proceedings (the vast majority of accused persons are not represented at all). As a result, lawyers are not easily able to perform the function of an advocate; they frequently have difficulty getting copies of police files and seeing clients in custody. In the courtroom, lawyers must obtain leave of the court to ask questions of their client (there is no right to silence) and rarely are they granted permission to ask questions of other witnesses. Often, their contribution is restricted to limited closing remarks.

It was in this context that I assisted the organization of a five-day Lawyer Skills Training Workshop last December for all of our members. This training, which was developed by the CBA’s International Development Program, used participatory methods to teach client interviewing, drafting and advocacy skills. The week ended with a day-long mock trial incorporating elements of the Canadian and Lao systems. By all accounts, the training was a great success and I have since overheard several lawyers comment about how they are trying to implement their new skills in their practices and in the courtroom. Perhaps even more notably, the translation of the CBA’s comprehensive materials into the Lao language is the first resource of its kind ever produced here.

Speaking personally, I couldn’t ask for a better overseas experience than living here — Vientiane is a contrast of ancient and modern, sleepy and hectic. During my morning walk I pass lines of softly-chanting, saffron-robed monks walking through the villages collecting sticky rice and other alms for their temples. During rush hour, I dodge dozens of motorbikes and tuk tuks that whiz by chaotically in all directions on the streets and walkways. Most women here wear cins, traditional long skirts, but on weekends one is equally likely to see young Lao women sporting jeans and chatting on cell phones.

So much of life is lived outside here — women cooking, minding their small shops; men building, fixing motorbikes, relaxing with a Beer Lao; children playing badminton, checkers with bottle caps, and an amazing array of other games. I am often the lucky recipient of a cheerful Saibadee (hello) from kids, which is delightful. (One night, a little guy eager to practice his English bounded up to me as I was walking home relatively late with a confident and enthusiastic “Good Morning!”)

It has been a pleasure to live in Lao PDR, and to be part of the Canadian “team” supporting the Bar here. Now, if I can just figure out a way to bring the tropical climate back with me when I return to Canada …

— Julie Smith

John McLeish authors important new text

JOHN A. MCLEISH (LL.B.’73) has recently published a book on the challenging topic of brain injury litigation. Both John and his co-author, Roger Oatley are certified specialists in civil litigation and restrict their practice to the plaintiff side of personal injury and death claims. Their book, The Oatley McLeish Guide to Brain Injury Litigation, lays out the conduct of a brain injury case from start to finish. Part one begins with the basic anatomy of a brain injury. Part two explores what is involved in preparing for a brain injury case. Part three focuses on the trying of a brain injury case.

John has dedicated most of his career to representing individuals who have suffered traumatic brain, spinal cord and orthopedic injuries, as well as families where a family member has been killed through negligence. John has also authored a manual on motor vehicle litigation and is a co-author of a Guide to Personal Injury Practice in Motor Vehicle Cases. He lectures and publishes extensively for various continuing legal education programs on trial advocacy and all matters related to actions for personal injury and wrongful death damages. John is a past president of the Ontario Trial Lawyers Association, a past governor of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, and a past director of the Ontario Brain Injury Association. He is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and other legal organizations related to trial advocacy and personal injury practice. John is a partner in the firm McLeish Orlando LLP in Toronto.

John and his co-author are donating the royalties from their book to the Head Injury Clinic at Toronto’s St. Michael’s Hospital.
Jim MacPherson
Thirty-one years after his graduation the Honourable Justice James MacPherson (LL.B.’74) of the Ontario Court of Appeal returned to spend the current academic year at the Law School.

Jim was born in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, and took his Bachelor of Arts degree at Acadia University. Following his graduation from Dalhousie Jim went on to receive an LL.M. and Diploma in Comparative Law from Cambridge University. He joined the Faculty of Law at Victoria in 1976 and remained there until 1981 when he assumed the position as Director of the Constitutional Law Branch of the Department of Attorney General of the Saskatchewan Government. From 1985 to 1988 Jim was Executive Legal Officer to the Supreme Court of Canada.

In 1988 he was appointed Dean of Osgoode Hall Law School at York University in Toronto. He was appointed a Justice of the Ontario Court of Justice (General Division) in 1993, followed by an appointment as Justice to the Superior Court of Justice in 1999. Jim was appointed to the Court of Appeal for Ontario in 1999.

Hearsay asked Justice MacPherson if he might share a few thoughts on his Dalhousie experience — then and now. Jim kindly consented and we are pleased to present the following observations “in his own words.”

I WAS A STUDENT at Dalhousie Law School from 1971 to 1974. By Thanksgiving weekend of my first year, I knew that I had chosen the right discipline and the right law school. Professors Charles, Darby, Fraser, Kindred and Yogis were wonderful classroom teachers and accessible outside class for discussion about the law and potential careers after law school. The law school was alive with extracurricular activities — Law Hour speakers, an active debating club, the wonderful Domus, a Friday afternoon curling league. In my third year, I was a student in the second year of operation of the Dalhousie Legal Aid Clinic which had been created by students Dan Laprès (LL.B.’72), Dennis Patterson (LL.B.’72), and Greg Warner (LL.B.’72) the year before. I participated in the Smith Shield in front of several hundred people in October, lost, and was awarded the Leonard Kitz Book Prize. The better consolation was my marriage the next day to a girl from Lower Economy.

When I graduated, with the encouragement of the new dean, Ronald St. J. Macdonald (LL.B.’52), and my constitutional law teacher, Andrew MacKay (LL.B.’53), I proceeded to graduate studies at Cambridge.

This year I fulfilled my ambition — 31 years late! After a career that took me to Victoria, Toronto, Victoria again, Regina, Ottawa and Toronto again, I returned to the halls of the Weldon building doing what I had always dreamed of doing — teaching constitutional law students. Under the auspices of the Canadian Judicial Council sabbatical program for judges, I was able to spend the entire academic year at the law school — teaching, reading, thinking, and talking to scholars, judges and practitioners. What are my impressions of the law school 31 years after I left it?

First, the similarities. Professors Kindred and Yogis are still here, teaching different courses now, but still admired by their students. The student body is still the most national in Canada. In my Constitutional Law class, there were students from every province except Manitoba. This geographic diversity anchors a consistently stimulating discussion dynamic in the classroom. The Dalhousie Legal Aid Clinic thrives — a 35th anniversary luncheon was attended by almost 300 former students. The moot court program has expanded to include several national and even international
While studying for his Masters in International Law at the London School of Economics (LSE), Blaise Cathcart (LL.B.’88) walked away with an impressive collection of awards. Not only did he graduate with distinction, but was also the recipient of the LSE Lawyers’ Alumni Prize for the Best Overall Performance in the LL.M. Degree Programme; the Lauterpacht/Higgins Prize for the top student in Public International Law; the Blackstone Chambers Prize for the Best Public International Law Dissertation and the Derby-Bryce Prize in Law, awarded to the best LL.M. programme candidate in final examinations for all law schools of the University of London.

“2004 was a true dream year to live and study in London,” says Blaise. “Both London and LSE provided an amazing cosmopolitan context in which to study and to live with my spouse, Valerie Jones. It was incredible to study under the supervision of world-renowned professors such as Professor Christopher Greenwood. One of my fondest memories came after a lecture on the legal basis for the use of force in Iraq when I walked through the streets of London during an anti-Bush and anti-Iraq war protest. This demonstrated how my course of study directly related to current world events.”

Blaise remembers his roots at Dalhousie Law: “It was quite some time ago, but I remember being surrounded by bright students, being taught by insightful, engaging profs and dealing with a daunting workload (but not daunting enough to keep me from my weekly decompression at Domus, with friends). What also stands out is the chaos and disorganization caused by the fire that gutted the library the year I started at Dal, and the challenge of working around that.”

After graduating in 1988, Blaise practised law with Huestis Holm and Boyne-Clarke in Halifax. In 1990, he joined the Office of the Judge Advocate General (JAG). One of the attractions of joining the Legal Branch of the Canadian Forces was the opportunity to pursue post-graduate studies in law. Since returning to Canada he has been posted to his current position as the Director of International Law for the Office of the JAG and the Canadian Forces in Ottawa.

When asked about future plans Blaise effuses: “Well, I love my work. It has taken me all across Canada and all around the world and was the best decision I’ve ever made. I am proud of what I do for a living and I am honored to serve my country – especially during these dynamic and historic times. The work is fascinating and keeps me very busy, I expect that my future will be filled with more of the same as I intend to stay with the Legal Branch for the remainder of my career.”
Frank Borowicz awarded honorary CA

FRANK BOROWICZ, Q.C. (LL.B.’72) has been named an Honorary Chartered Accountant by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of British Columbia. This extraordinary designation is awarded to non-CAs who have made significant contributions to the CA profession. In the more than 100 year history of the Institute, this is only its 10th designation of an Honorary CA.

Frank was educated at Loyola of Montreal, Dalhousie Law School and Harvard Law School. While at Dalhousie, Frank was actively involved in all aspects of the law school. In 1970 he and a small group of fellow students created “Project 70” a major multi-media presentation about the law not keeping pace with the changing needs of society. The presentation was a highlight event at the 1970 Canadian Bar Association Convention held in Halifax. In 1971, Frank assisted Associate Dean Murray Fraser, in the world’s first interdisciplinary study of battered children and, in 1972, Frank and his classmate, Ian Chambers, won the Smith Shield.

Frank went on to become a professor at the University of Windsor Law School and was a founding faculty member of the University of Victoria Law School. With over 30 years experience in regulatory compliance, conflict resolution and risk management, Frank is governance counsel to various public and private corporations. He is a prominent arbitrator and mediator, and is counsel to his international law firm, Davis & Company. Active in business and public affairs, he serves as a director of several public and private companies, and is Honorary Consul of Sri Lanka, a Director of the Canada-China Child Health Foundation, and incoming Chair of The Vancouver Board of Trade.

Frank has served as a member of the Law Society’s Justice Reform Task Force and Public Relations Committee, and Chair of the Administrative Law Section of the Canadian Bar Association, B.C. Branch. He has also been adjunct professor of forestry law at the University of British Columbia, a frequent instructor in the Professional Legal Training Course, and course coordinator and panellist for the Continuing Legal Education Society.

In addition to his recent appointment as Honorary Chartered Accountant, Frank is a B.C. Queen’s Counsel, and a graduate of the Corporate Governance College of the Institute of Corporate Directors.

Frank and his wife, the Hon. Judge Marilynn Borowicz, live in Vancouver and are looking forward to the arrival of their sixth grandchild. •

Alumni in Print

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Included in the text are detailed, extensive case capsule summaries categorized by disability covering situations where disability pensions have been granted and denied. The core concepts of motivation, retraining and willingness to accept medical treatment are also addressed in a practice-friendly format. The text contains tactical advice for advocates on a variety of subjects throughout the CPP adjudicative process to guide the reader through pitfalls of the process. The application of CPP case law is also viewed through the prism of the Federal Court of Appeals decision in Villani v. Canada.

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Alumni recognized as top business leaders by Junior Achievement

In May and June 2006 two Dalhousie Law alumni were recognized for their outstanding contributions to the world of business. Hundreds of Canada’s top executives were in attendance on May 16 at the gala black tie fundraising event at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre.

SIR GRAHAM DAY. Sir Graham Day (LL.B.’56) was formally inducted into the Canadian Business Hall of Fame. The event was hosted by CBC’s Peter Mansbridge. Established by the Junior Achievement of Canada in 1979, the Hall of Fame celebrates the lifetime achievements of Canada’s most distinguished business leaders.

Born in Halifax, Sir Graham has received numerous Honorary Doctorate Degrees from institutions in the United Kingdom including The City University (London), Aston University and Warwick University, as well as his alma mater, Dalhousie, where he continues his involvement as Chancellor Emeritus of the University.

From 1983 to 1986 Sir Graham was Chairman and CEO of British Shipbuilders and from 1986 until 1991, Chairman and CEO of the Rover Group, a specialist automotive manufacturer. Appointed to these positions by then Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, his task was to restructure and privatize these government owned companies. Also, in the early 1990s, including during the Gulf War, he was Chairman of British Aerospace during a period of management and strategic realignment. In 1993 Sir Graham retired as Chairman of Cadbury Schweppes plc, the global confectionary and soft drinks company, and as Chairman of PowerGen plc, an electricity generating company, where he led the privatization.

A dedicated businessman, Sir Graham is most recently the former Chairman of Sobey’s Inc. Sir Graham was senior advisor to the Boston Consulting Group and consultant to Ashurst Morris Crisp, international solicitors in London, England. He is counsel to the Atlantic Canada law firm of Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales.

At Dalhousie Sir Graham holds the Herbert Lamb Chair in Business Education. From 1994 to 2001 he also served as the fourth Chancellor of Dalhousie University. In 2003 he was honoured by the unveiling of his official portrait. On the occasion President Tom Traves highlighted the achievements of Sir Graham calling him “a great Chancellor.” Traves noted that Sir Graham’s world wide contacts, gained during a lifetime of global business achievements, were most helpful to Dalhousie. The President said, “He is a terrific friend to the university and to me.”

In 1989, recognizing his distinguished career in business and voluntary service to the United Kingdom Government, Sir Graham was knighted by Queen Elizabeth II for services to British industry.

ROB DEXTER. On June 1, 2006, Rob Dexter, Q.C. (LL.B.’76) became one of the 2006 Laureates inducted into the Nova Scotia Business Hall of Fame. The Nova Scotia Business Hall of Fame was established by Junior Achievement in 1993 to recognize the achievements of business leaders in the province and to inspire the young people with whom Junior Achievement works to pursue careers in business.

Following his admission to the bar, Rob joined what is now the Halifax firm Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales. While he remains a non-practising partner with the firm he decided in 1987 to concentrate on his own business interests, particularly Maritime Travel with which he has been involved since his law school days. Today Rob is Chairman and CEO of Maritime Travel Inc., operating 82 travel shops throughout Canada.
ASSISTANT CHIEF JUDGE Gail Vickery of the Calgary Family and Youth Court will become the next Chief Judge of the Provincial Court of Alberta on May 12, 2006. Judge Vickery received a B.A. degree from the University of Calgary in 1972, and graduated with her LL.B. from Dalhousie in 1975.

Judge Vickery was the first woman to become a partner in a major law firm in Calgary. A principal focus of her practice was the oil and gas industry. From 1995 until 1999 she became Chief Representative of Macleod Dixon in The Republic of Kazakhstan. Upon the recommendation of the Canadian Government through the Canadian Embassy in Kazakhstan, Vickery was also retained by the Government of Kyrgyzstan to provide training for maintenance of that country’s registration with the World Trade Organization.

In September 2000 Vickery was appointed a Judge of the Provincial Court of Alberta to sit in the Calgary Family and Youth Court. In June 2004 she was appointed as the Assistant Chief Judge of that court. In naming her to replace Chief Judge Ernie Walter upon the completion of his seven year term, Justice Minister Ron Stevens noted that, while it was precedent setting, Judge Vickery’s gender did not play a role in the appointment. He said she is a demonstrated leader who has the respect of her peers.

Judge Vickery commented to Hearsay that her time at Dalhousie Law School and at Macleod Dixon (often referred to as “a Dal firm”) was crucial in preparing her for her position as Chief Judge. She stated, “Integrity, leadership and organizational skills were demanded of me by my professors (led by Innis Christie), and by my colleagues as a student, associate and partner at Macleod Dixon, both nationally and internationally. I am truly honored to lead one of the finest courts in Canada”.
The old law school, now known as the University Club, was the centre of celebration for Dalhousie Law alumni on Friday, September 30, 2005. Close to 200 graduates, faculty, students and special guests gathered for the Annual Dalhousie Law Alumni Dinner kicking off the 2005 Annual Reunion Weekend. A beautiful late summer evening ensured that the alumni, some of whom had come from as far away as western Canada and the United States, could anticipate a great reunion celebration.

The evening was hosted by Dean Phillip Saunders as the classes of 1955, 1965, 1985 and 1995 were honoured. Dean Saunders addressed the crowd with heartfelt enthusiasm for the Law School: "I have been here over the years as Dawn Russell [the former dean] gave her mini-state of the school report, and I always marveled at how much good news she managed to collect … the few months I had
as Dean, with access to everything from annual reports of faculty to teaching evaluations to the statistics on our incoming class this fall make it apparent to me that Dawn did not have to struggle to dig up good news. It walks right in and lets you know it’s there.”

Guest speaker Mr. Purdy Crawford (LLB’55) rounded out the evening with reminiscences for the older crowd and some sage advice for those in their early career years.

The evening ended with a toast to all reunion classes from Dean Saunders: “To the young students you were when you came to us, to the people you have become in the years since, to your wonderful successes, to the tougher times that made those possible and to the day when you can come back to join us again.” •
Front Row (I to r): Tom Judge, John Moore, Fran McConnell, John Alward, Constance Glube, Saul Paton, Reg Cluney
Second Row: Thomas Dyke, Elmer MacDonald, Purdy Crawford, Miles Atkinson, Donald Murphy
Back Row: Vic Burstall, Fintan Aylward, Doane Hallett, Arthur Stone, George Mitchell, George Cooper

Class of ’55
Front Row (I to r): Gordon Gale, John Soby, Ged Hawco, John Mroz, Ian MacDonald
Second Row: Dan McGrath, Ted Margeson, Art Donahoe
Third Row: Alie Lebouthillier, Bill Dickson, Tom LeBrun
Back Row: Jim Cowan, David Mann, Don McDougall, Alf Pike

Class of ’65
Pictured here in no particular order along with spouses: Jill Brown, Noel Courage, Robert Cowan, Christine Driscoll, Christopher Dunn, Robin Flumerfelt, Gerald W. Green, Jean House, Jennifer Khor, Judith Macfarlane, Jay Maw, Mark McMackin, Joe Morrison, Joey Palov, Michael Schaffer, Megan Shortreed, Robert Sinclair, Patricia Thiel, John Underhill
Masquerade!

On February 4, 2006, the Halifax Club was host to the second annual “Legal Who?” — a masquerade ball fundraiser for Dalhousie Legal Aid Service.

“We were so happy with the number of people who bought tickets to support the event. But more importantly, it was obvious that everyone had a great time. And the masks were outstanding!” noted Peter Sullivan (LL.B.’04), organizing committee member.

Attendees could sip wine by the piano player at the baby grand, order from the martini bar, visit the cigar room, or dance the night away to the great music of the Mellotones — all for a great cause!

The Committee would like to thank the major financial contributors to the event: Boyne Clarke, Cox Hanson, McInnes Cooper, Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales, Wickwire Holm, The Halifax Club and the Mellotones. Additionally, they would like to thank the contributors to the silent auction: Canadian Blood Services, Casino Nova Scotia, Citadel Halifax Hotel, Care One Family Wellness, Dalplex, Four Points Sheraton Halifax, Moosehead Ale Inc., Holiday Inn Select, The Lord Nelson Hotel & Suites, Milano’s Ristorante, Niche Lounge and Supper Club, Sykea Hair Salon & Spa, and the YMCA (South Park).

— Megan Leslie (LL.B.’04)

Susanne Litke and Sharon Avery (LL.B.’06)

Professors Ronalda Murphy (LL.B.’87) and Elaine Gibson

Jessica Reekie (LL.B.’06) and James Miglin (LL.B.’07)

Mark Freeman (LL.B.’04) and Alison Campbell (LL.B.’05)

Lisa Asbreuk (LL.B.’06) and Catherine Gribbon (LL.B.’06)

Angela Bishop and Norman Hill (LL.B.’80)

The organizing committee: Jackie Moher (LL.B.’05), Megan Leslie (LL.B.’04), April Brousseau (LL.B.’06), Dianne Power, Peter Sullivan (LL.B.’04)

The Mellotones
Health Law Institute
hosts national conference

A royal elevation

THE HONOURABLE Mr. Justice John A. Ajakaiye (Canadian Judicial Education Institute (CJEI) Fellow 2004), the Justice Administrator of the Nigerian National Judicial Institute, surprised our Chairperson the Honourable Judge Sandra E. Oxner on her arrival in Nigeria by greeting her in Royal Regalia. We are more than proud to advise you that Justice Ajakaiye was elected King of his region in Nigeria and took up his life appointment at the end of February. We believe this is the first king to have attended a programme at Dalhousie Law School. The CJEI and Dalhousie Law School express their warmest congratulations and best wishes to His Royal Majesty Mr. Justice John A. Ajakaiye.

THE HEALTH LAW INSTITUTE HOSTED the 3rd National Health Law Conference, entitled “Health Law at the Supreme Court of Canada”, in February 2006. Delegates arrived in Halifax from across Canada representing faculties of law and medicine, hospitals and health authorities, government departments and agencies, and private law firms. Dal alumni health law practitioners from firms sponsoring the conference included: Kristin Taylor (LL.B’99), Borden Ladner Gervais, Toronto; Brian Downie (LL.B’82) and Thomas Donovan (LL.B’78), Cox Hanson O’Reilly Matheson, Halifax; Martina Munden (LL.B’99) Patterson Palmer, Truro; and Kathryn Raymond (LL.B’85), Boyne Clarke, Halifax.

The conference opened with remarks from the Nova Scotia Deputy Minister of Health and a keynote address from the Honourable Charles Gonthier, former Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, who was introduced by Justice Ellen Picard of the Alberta Court of Appeal. Leading legal experts from across Canada focused on the role of the Supreme Court in shaping the development of health law and policy in Canada, describing Supreme Court cases on topics such as assisted suicide, informed consent, confidentiality of health information, and the public/private health system debate. The Institute was delighted to receive unsolicited comments describing the conference as “absolutely first rate,” “the best conference I have attended in 13 years of practice”, and “a perfect balance of scholarly and practical content.”

Professors Jocelyn Downie and Elaine Gibson are working on a book based on the conference presentations that will be forthcoming from Irwin Law this year.
Visiting Lecturers

Torys’ Visiting Professor in Business Law: Roberta Romano

In September, we welcomed to Dalhousie our 2005-06 Torys’ Visiting Professor in Business Law, Professor Roberta Romano of the Yale Law School.

Professor Romano is Oscar M. Ruebhausen Professor of Law at Yale, and Director of the Yale Law School Center for the Study of Corporate Law.

Professor Romano is, without doubt, one of the most influential corporate law and corporate finance law scholars in the world. She is especially well-known for her writing on competitive federalism in U.S. corporate law (i.e., the Delaware phenomenon) and has also written extensively on securities regulation, takeover laws, the role of institutional investors in corporate governance, and on the regulation of financial derivatives. She has published numerous articles and is also the author of two widely-cited books, The Genius of American Corporate Law, and The Advantage of Competitive Federalism for Securities Regulation, and the editor of a third collection, Foundations of Corporate Law.

While at Dalhousie Law School, Professor Romano taught an intensive upper year LL.B. course in Corporate Finance.

Hans von Sponeck delivers lecture on UN reform

On February 27, 2006 Hans von Sponeck visited Dalhousie Law School to deliver a lecture entitled “Failure in Iraq: The Urgency of UN Reforms.” Hans von Sponeck was assistant Secretary-General of the UN and co-ordinator of the Humanitarian Program (Oil-for-Food) in Iraq from 1998 to 2000, when he resigned to protest the effects of sanctions on Iraq’s people. In his 2005 book, Iraq Autopsy, he challenges recent attempts to shift attention away from the human cost of sanctions imposed by Western members of the Security Council.

He analyses the causes of the human catastrophe as it evolved in Iraq and proposes a new UN architecture, taking into account the experience in Iraq as well as suggestions from Secretary-General Annan’s UN Reform Panel and response from the UN General Assembly.

This lecture was sponsored by the John E. Read International Law Students’ Society and Dalhousie Law School.
In the coming academic year (2006-07), three more distinguished legal and financial scholars will visit Dalhousie Law School.

Mark Roe
In September 2006, Professor Mark Roe, the David Berg Professor of Law at Harvard Law School, and author of, among other works, Political Determinants of Corporate Governance will deliver the 2006-07 Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP Business Law Forum lecture.

Reinier H. Kraakman
Later, in October, we will welcome Professor Reinier H. Kraakman, the Ezra Ripley Thayer Professor of Law at the Harvard Law School, and co-author, among many other works, of The Anatomy of Corporate Law as our Torys’ Visiting Professor in Business Law. Professor Kraakman will teach an intensive upper year LL.B. course in corporate governance during the fall term.

Dr. Robert J. Shiller
Finally, we look forward to welcoming Dr. Robert J. Shiller, the Stanely B. Resor Professor of Economics at Yale University, and author of, among other works, Irrational Exuberance and The New Financial Order. Dr. Shiller will visit the law school to deliver the 2006-07 Ronald G. Smith Lecture in Business Law.

Ronald G. Smith Lecture: Dr. Myron S. Scholes
In October, Dr. Myron S. Scholes, co-recipient of the 1997 Nobel Prize in Economics visited Dalhousie Law School to deliver the 2005-06 Ronald G. Smith Business Law Lecture. Dr. Scholes is, of course, best known for his pioneering work on option pricing theory with the late Fischer Black, work that led to the formulation of the famous Black-Scholes option pricing model. In his lecture, titled “Derivatives and Corporate Governance,” Dr. Scholes showed how developments in modern financial theory could inform an analysis of corporate governance and regulation. Following the lecture, Dalhousie students had the chance to meet and chat informally with Dr. Scholes at a reception held in the faculty lounge on the third floor of the Weldon Law Building.

Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt Business Law Forum: Merritt Fox
In March 2006, Professor Merritt Fox of the Columbia Law School visited Dalhousie Law School as this year’s Osler Hoskin & Harcourt Business Law Forum speaker. Professor Fox, who is the Michael E. Patterson Professor of Law at Columbia, spoke on the timely and important topic, “Promoting Innovation: The Role of Public Equity Market Regulation.” He explained how the proper regulation of securities markets can improve the accuracy of share prices, and so lead to a more efficient allocation of capital.
Each year, with the generous support of the law firm McCarthy Tétrault, the Law and Technology Institute hosts a series of speakers on law and technology issues. The series brings to Dalhousie prominent lawyers and academics to speak on topics of current importance and interest. The 2005-06 line-up included Charles Morgan, David Flaherty and Don McGowan.

**Charles Morgan**
The first speaker in the series, Charles Morgan of McCarthy Tétrault’s Montreal offices, spoke on the topic “Designing and Implementing Universal Access Programmed for the Delivery of Telecommunications Services in Developing Nations” on October 13. Mr. Morgan has an international practice in the telecommunications field, and has been involved in developing universal access policies and projects. Mr. Morgan provided an account of his experiences in several developing nations, and explained the current theories and mechanics of universal access programs.

**David Flaherty**
On November 3, former B.C. Privacy Commissioner, privacy scholar, and now privacy consultant David Flaherty addressed the topic: “Does Nova Scotia Need a Privacy Commissioner?” The talk was timely, as Nova Scotia’s Information and Review Officer Darce Fardy retired from his position in January of 2006, and has not yet been replaced. Dr. Flaherty extended his visit to give a lecture as part of the Health Law Seminar Series the next day. The lecture was titled “Making Privacy Laws Effective in Health Practice”.

**Don McGowan**
On March 9, 2006, Don McGowan gave a talk titled: “ID Theft: On the Internet, No One Knows You’re a Dog”. Mr. McGowan is an attorney with Microsoft Corporation. His talk raised awareness of the problem of ID Theft and explored both challenges and strategies to address the problem. Mr. McGowan also very generously agreed to be one of the speakers at the very well-attended Intellectual Property/Information Technology Career’s Night organized by the student group Student Association for Law and Technology (SALT) that same evening. He also gave a lunch time seminar the next day, organized by the Career Development Office, for students interested in pursuing careers in the United States.
Health Law and Policy Seminar Series

NUMBERS TELL THE STORY that Dalhousie’s Health Law Institute enjoyed exceptional success with its Health Law and Policy Seminar Series for 2005-2006. The nine seminars this year were attended by 50 to 250 guests including lawyers, physicians, government and hospital representatives, University faculty, students, and members of the public.

The varied expert speakers who accepted invitations to participate in this series came from across Canada and the United States. They included Roy Romanow, former head of the Commission on the Future of Health Care in Canada. His presentation on “The State of Canada’s Health Care System” was particularly timely, occurring not long after the release of the decision in Chaoulli v. Quebec (Attorney General) Supreme Court of Canada’s addressing the issue of access to public and private health care.

Other expert speakers in the series were Mary Anne Bobinsky, Dean of Law, University of British Columbia; David Flaherty, privacy and information consultant; Ruth Makilin, Yeshiva University, New York; Gail Tomblin Murphy, Dalhousie School of Nursing; Colleen Flood, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto (formerly of Dal Law) and Professors Jocelyn Downie and Sheila Wildeman of Dalhousie Law School.

The Health Law and Policy Seminar Series, which enters its 10th year in September 2006, is supported by Borden Ladner Gervais, the Canadian Institutes of Health Research, the Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research and the Nova Scotia Health Research Foundation.

Stewart, MacKeen and Covert law firm history project

THE HALIFAX LAW FIRM which, in 1990, became Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales, has had a long and distinguished connection with Dalhousie Law School. Both of the original partners were among those Halifax lawyers who started the movement which led to the establishment of a faculty of law at Dalhousie in 1881. The founding Dean, Richard Weldon, Dean John Read and the former dean, Dawn Russell, were associates in the firm, and five heads of the firm were alumni. The first (1919) winner of the University Medal in Law went on to become a member of the firm, as did several other winners. The firm was the leading corporate donor to the rebuilding of the library after the 1985 fire.

The Halifax Management Committee of Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales has agreed that a scholarly history of Stewart, MacKeen and Covert should be written. The authors would like to hear from readers of Hearsay who had any connection with the firm up to and including the merger of 1989-90. We invite you to share with us your knowledge and recollections with a view to publication. Please contact either or both of

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Roy Romanow with Health Law Institute Associate Director, Professor Elaine Gibson at Dalhousie Law School in October 2005.
Dalhousie Legal Aid: celebrates 35 years

ON NOVEMBER 3, 2005 members of the legal, social work, non-profit and student communities took two hours from their busy schedules and joined Dalhousie Legal Aid, fondly referred to as the “Clinic” in celebration of their 35th year anniversary.

The ‘Celebruncheon’ held at the Westin Nova Scotia Hotel was a walk down memory lane with photographs and music from over the last four decades.

Four prior DLAS students spoke to their decade in which they interned at the Clinic; Justice Robert Levy (LL.B.’71) for the ‘70s, Karen Hudson (LL.B.’85) for the ‘80s, Lori McCurdy (LL.B.’94) for the ‘90s and Bill Boyte for the ‘00s. Despite the differences among their respective decades at the Clinic, all recollected fond and humourous moments spent with colleagues and staff.

As many are familiar, the Clinic has a three part mandate. To provide legal aid services for people who otherwise would not be able to obtain legal advice or assistance; to conduct research and engage in programs relating to the legal aid and law reform in Nova Scotia and to provide an educational experience for students. It was clear from the presentations and storytelling that afternoon that for the past 35 years the Clinic has been working hard to fulfill all three parts of this mandate and they have succeeded. And if instilling a commitment to social justice issues, creating lasting memories and producing dedicated, successful, star alumni was a fourth mandate, the Clinic has realized another success.

The Clinic wishes to thank all those that attended the Celebruncheon and those that continue to support the Clinic so that one day a 100th anniversary will be celebrated. •
Rollie Thompson recognized for “Clinic” work

THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE LUNCHEON was the presentation of the Vincent J. Pottier Award for Exceptional and Outstanding Service at the Clinic to Professor Rollie Thompson. The inscription of the award recognized: “outstanding contribution to public service through his dedication to the staff, students and community of Dalhousie Legal Aid Service as a Clinic student, board member, executive director, faculty advisor and mentor, 1978-2005”.

As conveyed by the presenter, Professor Archie Kaiser, Rollie’s resume displays an incredible catalog of accomplishments including: significant contributions to over 84 publications and academic works, presentations at over 118 professional and educational conferences and involvement with 38 public service and non-profit organizations.

Rollie began his years with the Clinic as a student while completing his law degree and continued his work there as an articled clerk. In 1982 after a brief departure, Rollie returned to the Clinic and has remained a great presence there since, filling all possible roles. He has been the Director, a lawyer, an educator and a member of the Board of Directors over the lifetime of the Clinic.
MEL students attend climate change conference

THEY SAY THAT in the first year of law school they scare you to death, in the second year they work you to death and in the third year they bore you to death. Acting quickly in the face of the latter, six of us third-year Dal Law students sought to spice up our legal studies last fall with a field trip to Montreal (note there was also one second-year law student on the trip who was following her own “kamikaze curriculum”) where the most recent round of international negotiations on climate change were taking place.

In late November and early December 2005, more than 10,000 people from around the world congregated in Montreal for a landmark event: the first Meeting of the Parties (MOP1) to the Kyoto Protocol since its entry into force on February 16, 2005, and the eleventh Conference of the Parties (COP11) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

Among the thousands were high-ranking government officials, NGO delegations, activists, private sector representatives and a few students, including those of us from Dalhousie Law School: Patrick Canning (LL.B.'06), Lisa Asbreuk (LL.B.'06), Keith Sutherland (LL.B.'06), Michelle Kellam (LL.B.'06), Stephanie Sanger (LL.B.'07), Scott Gordon (LL.B.'06), and Dave Wright (LL.B.'07). On the agenda for the negotiations were issues such as post-2012 climate change action, further clarification on the operation of the Protocol’s “flexibility mechanisms” and other matters pertaining to the first compliance period which begins in 2008. Our agenda as knowledge-hungry students was simple: learn as much as we could for as long as our conference funding lasted (5 days).

As reported in early December, the outcomes of the conference were deemed a success. The parties, including the United States who walked out of negotiations and then later returned to the table, produced an agreement to begin negotiations on post-2012 climate change mitigation strategies. The parties also generated more clarity regarding the flexibility mechanisms and had healthy discussions regarding climate change issues implicated in the dichotomy between developed and developing countries. These were regarded as major accomplishments considering the magnitude and complexity of the matters on the table.

The conference proved to be a fast-paced, high-intensity avalanche of information. There were plenary sessions with all the countries and delegates. There were “contact groups” with party delegates negotiating specific issues. There were NGO meetings and events aiming to push the process in more constructive and equitable directions (Elizabeth May, LL.B.'83, was instrumental in this aspect of the event). There were exhibitions and displays by governments, NGOs and the private sector.

Still looking for more, several of us attended the “Climate Law Symposium” at McGill Law School, facilitated by the Centre for International Sustainable Development Law (CISDL). At this more intimate event, leading specialists from around the world presented their perspectives on various legal aspects of climate change such as emissions trading, Kyoto market mechanisms and private sector involvement, legal recourse for “climate refugees”, and “carbon finance” in the “carbon market”.

It was overwhelming trying to digest so much information on such complex subject matters. Without our grounding in knowledge, thanks to Professor Meinhard Doelle, Associate Director of the Marine and Environmental Law Institute, we would have lost our way at the get-go. Instead, we were able to take away a wealth of information and revisit it critically and analytically, considering the issues presented and pondering implications and possible solutions. •

— Dave Wright

Left to right: Patrick Canning, Stephanie Sanger, Lisa Asbreuk, Dave Wright, Keith Sutherland
Discretionary Award Winners 2005

Each year a committee is called upon to award the Discretionary Prizes listed below to deserving students. Students are first nominated and then go through a selection process with Faculty and student input.

### Horace E. Read Memorial Award
**Blair McGeough**
Awarded to the student who, during his or her years at Law School, has made the greatest contribution to scholarship and student life.

### Muriel Duckworth Award
**Denise Zareski**
Awarded to a woman or women in the graduating class who best exemplify the qualities of Muriel Duckworth by raising consciousness of women’s issues and feminism in the legal community.

### Weldon Community Commitment Awards
**Mark Heerema**
**Daphne Williamson**
Awarded to a graduating student who has taken an interest in public service throughout law school and has demonstrated an intention to pursue a career path devoted to public service.

### The Honourable H. G. Puddester Prize
**Beth Whalen**
Awarded to a student from Newfoundland who has demonstrated academic ability in public law and leadership ability; and who has been involved in extracurricular activities beneficial to the Law School and/or legal profession.

### Sarah MacWalker MacKenzie Clinical Law Award
**Emad Al Sharief**
**Naomi Metallic**
Awarded to the student who has successfully completed the Clinical Law Programme at Dalhousie Legal Aid and who has made an outstanding contribution towards the Clinic’s goals of education, service, community development and law reform.

### The Francois-Michel Proulx Memorial Award
**Marie McNamee**
Awarded to a graduating student who has come to Dalhousie for one year with a civil law degree, for significant contribution enriching the life of the school.

### Elizabeth May Award for Environment Service
**Tricia Warrender**
Awarded to the student in the graduating class who has been involved in promoting environmental awareness in the Law School and broader community.

### William Johnston Grant Q.C. Memorial Award
**Emma Butt**
Awarded to the student who has had a positive influence and lasting impact on his/her class and who has demonstrated a contribution to both the academic and extra-curricular life at the Law School.

### G. O. Forsyth prize
**Stephen Lockwood**
Awarded to a student combining the qualities of scholarship and exemplary character. The prize was established at the request of George Forsyth, a graduate of the Law School, in his will.

### Not pictured:

**George Isaac Smith Memorial Award**
**James Miller**
Awarded to a student who has shown academic excellence by attaining a high scholastic average and who has demonstrated the most promise of achieving exemplary standards of professional and public service.

**Eunice W. Beeson Memorial Prize**
**Kate Glover**
Awarded at the discretion of the Faculty to the qualifying woman student or students in the Law School who seems worthy on the basis of academic performance in the School, and qualities of personality and character.

**Robert E. Bamford Memorial Award**
**Tom Booth**
Student who best combines academic excellence with a commitment to the Law School Community service.

**David M. Jones Memorial Award**
**Tom Booth**
Awarded to the third year student whose character has been a source of inspiration and optimism to his or her classmates and to the Law School community.

**The Francois-Michel Proulx Memorial Award**
**Marie McNamee**
Awarded to a graduating student who has come to Dalhousie for one year with a civil law degree, for significant contribution enriching the life of the school.
Moots

The Smith Shield Moot

The 2005 Smith Shield Moot was a successful event. I designed the Moot problem as an appeal of the Supreme Court of Canada decision in Chaoulli v. A6, Quebec and Canada, with the focus on the section 7 Charter of Rights, rights to life, liberty and security of the person and the corresponding section 1 reasonable limits. Below the surface of the more legalistic Charter arguments was the debate about the comparative roles of courts and legislatures in Canadian society. The students responded well to both the technical legal arguments and the larger policy debate about the role of judges in shaping Canadian social policy in the health field.

Shenade Walker and Jonathan Coady emerged as the winners of the Smith Shield, delivering effective and well researched arguments in both factum and oral form. Frank Durnford and Darryl Patterson also performed very well in the difficult task of defending the Supreme Court for the District of Columbia and walked away from the evening with the Leonard Kitz prize.

The Supreme Moot Court of Dalhousie was composed of Justice Jim MacPherson (on sabbatical from the Ontario Court of Appeal), Justice Deborah Smith, Associate Chief Justice of the Supreme Court Trial Division and Mr. Ronald MacDonald, President of the Nova Scotia Barristers’ Society.

— Professor A. Wayne MacKay

The Canadian Corporate/Securities Law Moot

THE CANADIAN CORPORATE/SECURITIES Moot was held in Toronto in March 2006. This year’s participants were Adam Inglis, Erin Hoult, Mike Parmar and Alex Singh. The mooters did an excellent job, although they did not make the finals this year. All four of our students performed at a high level and were delighted with their experience.

— Professor Mohamed Khimji

The Phillip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court

DALHOUSIE’S JESSUP Moot team, made up of Caryn Narvey, Wes Novotny and Darryl Patterson, competed at the national competition in Ottawa February 8-11, 2006. Dalhousie placed 6th overall in a field of 16 teams. Moreover, Caryn Narvey was ranked 14th oralist out of approximately 60. The field was, as always, extremely competitive. Also, this year’s team had unique and unexpected challenges that saw them starting to research and write one quarter of their written submissions only ten days before the due date.

Caryn, Wes and Darryl rose to this challenge superbly and without complaint, and their written submissions were well done. All three mooted very ably in Ottawa, and several of the judges who sat for them pulled me aside on Saturday evening to deliver compliments on the high quality of their oral advocacy. While placement in the top ranks was not to be, the Jessup organizers acknowledged their hard work and dedication with special ad hoc prizes, underscoring how well they upheld the “Spirit of the Jessup.” Congratulations to the team, and special thanks to the various faculty members and practitioners who so generously gave of their time and energy to assist.

— Professor Robert J. Currie (LL.B.’98)

The Trilateral Moot

THE TRILATERAL MOOT competition between Dalhousie and the Universities of Maine and New Brunswick was hosted by Dalhousie. This year’s moot, organized by Professor Michael Hadskis, was held at the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal and involved a number of senior members of the bar and 10 judges from the Nova Scotia bench including, among them, the Chief Justice of Nova Scotia. The moot was a great success and all in attendance reported enjoying the experience.

Each year the moot deals with an area of domestic law raising important legal issues in Canada and the United States. This year’s problem was prepared by Dean Phillip Bryden of the University of New Brunswick. The problem was loosely based on the U.S. Supreme Court case of Richard B. Cheney Vice President of The United States v. United States District Court for the District of Columbia and took up the issue of apprehension of bias.

The Dalhousie team was made up of third year students: Sarah Mitchell, Mandy Woodland, Lee Seshagiri and Sharon Avery and was coached by Professor Jennifer Llewellyn. The teams were required to moot both the appellant and respondent sides during the course of the competition. The Dalhousie team performed exceptionally well this year as overall winners of the competition and capturing the prize for best respondent factum. Sharon Avery was awarded the top oralist prize as well. Congratulations to all for such a successful event.
The Laskin Memorial Moot

WHILE SOMEWHAT disappointed when we do not get a ‘Top 3 Prize’, I can confirm that our team, Shenade Walker, Janet Grant, Frank Durnford and Jason Hadid, did very well. McGill and Université de Moncton went to the final round and U de M won the final. Top three teams overall were Ottawa (Common Law), U de M, and McGill.

All four students had great feedback Saturday from the various judges we encountered — including two who told Janet and Frank that they ranked them both number one of all mooters they judged that day.

I also want to thank Professor Rob Currie and Dean Saunders for being able hosts of the Laskin. The student volunteers were great ambassadors for the school and had a good time.

— Sean Foreman (LL.B.’98)

The Sopinka Cup: Regional Round

THE DALHOUSIE TEAMS of Clarissa Pearce and Barb Kerr (defence) and Sarah Pottle and Lisa Weich (Crown) traveled to Moncton on February 10th to compete in the McKelvey Cup. The competition is the regional component of the Sopinka Cup.

The competition requires each team to act as counsel for a criminal trial, in this case prosecuting or defending a charge of dangerous driving causing death and impaired driving causing death. The defence team mooted against UNB, the Crown team against Université de Moncton. All four students acquitted themselves well, displaying a good knowledge of the problem and the required skills.

Sarah & Lisa were awarded second place by the jury. The first place team, made up of students from the Université de Moncton, represented Atlantic Canada at the Sopinka Cup in Ottawa on March 3rd & 4th.

Congratulations to all four students on their performances.

— Brian Casey (LL.B.’81)

The Labour Arbitration Moot

ON JANUARY 28 and 29, 2006 the 8th Labour Arbitration Moot Competition was held in Toronto. Second-year students Kersti Kass and David MacIsaac faced Western on Saturday morning and Ottawa in the afternoon. In my humble and unbiased opinion, they were clearly superior in the morning and marginally so in the afternoon. However, they did not make it into Sunday’s final between Osgoode and Alberta. The Alberta team was the winner of the trophy. We can all be very proud of Kersti and David, for a fine mooting effort. Dalhousie has competed for seven years now with two wins and one runner-up.

Sponsored by the Toronto law firm Mathews, Dinsdale and Clark and Canada Law Book, the moot is held in Toronto, in the facilities of the Ontario Labour Relations Board. Eight law schools compete: Dalhousie, Queen’s, Ottawa, Toronto, Osgoode, Western, Alberta and UBC.

— Professor Innis Christie

The Gale Cup Moot

THE DALHOUSIE GALE CUP team competed on February 24 and 25, 2006 in Toronto. Team members Keri Gammon, Peter Planetta, Matthew Asma and Josie McKinney are to be commended for their efforts and accomplishments. They argued their respective issues before a panel of volunteer Crown and Defence lawyers, and subsequently before members of the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal and the Ontario Court of Appeal.

Each student demonstrated all of the necessary qualities of an effective advocate. They were persuasive, well prepared and articulate. Indeed, their efforts were recognized by the two awards they received: book prizes for the “Best English Team not in the Finalist Moots” and the award for the “Best Appellant Factum”.

The Gale Cup Moot is sponsored by Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP. It is Canada’s premier national bilingual mooting competition featuring teams of students from 17 Canadian law schools.

— Frank P. Hoskins
Convocation 2005

A few parting shots from some of our newest alumni.
Left to right: Mathew Owen-King, Chris Merrick, Yasmin Al Gharbawie (LL.M. graduate), Alex Embree, Carina Neumeuller (LL.M. student)
RELAX. TAKE A DEEP BREATH. Are you comfortable? Good. Close your eyes. Think back to your memories of the Domus Legis. Imagine you are hanging out in the main room with some friends having a few relaxing beers after an evening studying session, maybe playing some shuffleboard or foosball while you’re at it. Picture yourself on a big night – Halloween maybe, or the first Domus of the year – when the excitement fills the air, people really let loose, and they pack like sardines into the old house as it gets as hot as a sauna. Remember how the roof of the basement would sag so many good times and adding to the sea of memories that it contained.

Whatever your experience, if you were a Domus member, or regular, or friend, your memories make up some of the most important history of Dal Law over the last 40 years. The Domus Legis was a huge part of the lifeblood of Weldon, a place for law students to gather, socialize, build lasting friendships and yes, go a little crazy sometimes. The good news I want to tell you is that the Domus still does this. Although I am a member of the Dal Law class to have been around while the house was still standing, I’m writing to tell you that the Domus spirit is alive and vital. For those of you who don’t know how we are carrying on without a building to call our own, let me fill you in: the Domus Legis Society has a Thursday night residency at a bar in downtown Halifax. We have a thriving membership, and we keep our temporary home interesting by hosting theme nights, karaoke, boat races, and of course also continuing the tradition of providing a stage for the incredible musical talent that passes through Weldon.

So what does the future hold for the good ship Domus? We are still forging on towards our goal of getting a new house for our members and for future law students. The initial plan of taking over Dalhousie President Tom Traves’ house through adverse possession was foiled when he discovered me residing in his broom closet. I have also, sadly, failed to roll up the rim to win a new house. However, as one of Dal Law’s most recently graduated Domus alumni, I am committed to keeping the history of the Domus alive and to continuing its tradition. You too can do a few things to help make sure that Weldon’s greatest social tradition continues to thrive: first, keep on telling stories about the old house and the great part of Dal Law that it represents. Visit [www.domuslegis.ca](http://www.domuslegis.ca) and email or post a piece of Domus history so that it can be remembered and reminisced over, and so that it can bring a smile or laughter to your friends and classmates — or simply drop us a line to let us know you’re out there. Second, keep your eyes peeled and ears to the ground for upcoming fundraising efforts. It will be a long and challenging process to raise the funds to buy a new house, but the Domus is worth the effort and we can only reach our goal with your support. Look forward to the day when you can not just close your eyes and imagine the Domus Legis as it was, but can also know that there is a new home for the tradition to continue, where memories will be made by future generations of law students; to know that this institution, which does so much to make Dalhousie’s Law School a unique and legendary experience, will thrive for years to come.

— Keith Sutherland, Class of ’06, Domus Legis, VP
Dawn Russell: ten years of inspired leadership, integrity, and compassion

On June 1, 2005 a gala reception and dinner was held at Halifax’s Pier 21 to mark the conclusion of ten years of dedicated service as dean by Dawn A. Russell, Q.C. (LL.B’81). The celebratory event was attended by a large number of university officials, law faculty, staff, students, members of the bench, bar and alumni, as well as members of Dawn’s family and many friends.

The evening opened with welcoming remarks and Grace by Associate Dean Diana Ginn. Professor Stephen Coughlan (LL.B’85) acted as Master of Ceremonies. Steve injected much humour into his introductions and kept proceedings moving at a lively pace.

University President Tom Traves started off the more formal part of the evening’s events. In his remarks President Traves stated, “Dawn Russell was a great dean. She advanced the law school’s agenda on virtually every front during her time in office. She was also a valued colleague in the administration of the University.”

Incoming Dean, Professor Phillip Saunders spoke of a variety of different contexts in which he has known Dawn. He said “I have been with her giving workshops or at conferences in a number of countries — Tonga, Malaysia, Nicaragua and Sri Lanka — and at alumni and other events across Canada. It didn’t matter where we were or who we were with. Dawn’s ability to adapt to the people or to the situation was endless. Even difficult discussions are more manageable when you approach them with good will and respect, and everywhere we have been Dawn brought that, along with complete...
“Dawn Russell was a great dean. She advanced the law school’s agenda on professionalism, to the table.”

Former Associate Dean, Professor Teresa Scassa, spoke of Dawn’s distinct leadership style and the many milestones and achievements that will be part of her record. She noted “Dawn is a person of quite exceptional integrity. In all of her work she has put the interests of the school ahead of her personal interests. She frequently sacrificed time with her family to pursue the interests of the law school; she sacrificed her own interests in research and teaching when it became clear that the deanship required more of her time and energy than she had anticipated. She reached decisions through consultation and with a view to fairness. Yet she always accepted full accountability for any decisions she made.”

Law Society President, Frank Durnford (LL.B.’06), stated that it was an honour to speak on behalf of the hundreds of students who studied at Dalhousie Law School while Dawn Russell was at the helm. He said “In the past two years I have been a witness to the tremendous leadership that has guided the law school for the past ten years. Dean Russell’s service to the community, both inside and outside our walls, has been nothing short of remarkable.”

Julia Cornish (Dal. LL.B.’83), National President, Dalhousie Law Alumni Association, gave an impromptu personal tribute to Dawn, as well as congratulating her for the time and commitment she had made to strengthening ties with the alumni.

On behalf of the staff, the Law School’s Director of Finance and Administration, Donna Beaver, and Administrative Assistant Philip Saunders spoke highly of Dawn recounting a variety of stories of both mishaps and successes.

“Dean Russell has helped the law school’s reputation continue to thrive and she has set an example that encourages students to realize our school’s highest standards.” — Frank Durnford, Law Society President
Assistant to the Dean, Heather MacLeod, presented Dawn with a gift and a beautiful bouquet of flowers.

Professor John Yogis (LL.B.’64) paid tribute to Dawn’s husband, artist Bill Johnson, who had been commissioned to do a portrait of Dawn. John then asked former dean, William (Bill) Charles (LL.B.’58) to join him on the stage to assist in the unveiling of the portrait. Photographs were taken of Dawn and her family with the portrait as the audience congratulated Bill on the excellent likeness of Dawn and the natural setting he had selected for his subject.

An unscripted event occurred when Professors Dick Evans and Hugh Kindred asked Bill Johnson to come up on stage. To Bill’s surprise, flowers and a bottle of very well aged rum, were presented to him on behalf of Dawn’s colleagues. Hugh thanked Bill for the tremendous support he had given to Dawn at home and at the Law School during her deanship. He said that it was well recognized that such support had contributed greatly to Dawn’s success as dean.

The official proceedings were concluded when Dawn took the stage to make a few remarks of her own. In typical fashion Dawn downplayed her many successes while dean. She praised the faculty, administration and staff with whom she had worked, as well as the excellence of the student body. She noted that the future of the school would be in good hands with Phillip Saunders. However, she singled out for special mention the support and encouragement she had received from Bill and her family throughout her deanship, and their understanding during occasions when the interests of the school had to be put ahead of their personal lives.

The evening continued on in a relaxed and convivial manner as many in attendance waited to convey their personal good wishes and congratulations to Dawn for a job exceedingly well done.

“It took the law school a mere 110 years or so to appoint a woman as dean. But when people look back at Dawn’s term, I don’t think the fact that she was the first woman dean of Dal Law School will be mentioned. What will be remembered is that she was one of our best deans.”

− Dean Phillip Saunders
In any account of twentieth-century Canadian law, Bora Laskin (1912–1984) looms large. Born in northern Ontario to Russian-Jewish immigrant parents, Laskin became a prominent human rights activist, university professor, and labour arbitrator before embarking on his ‘accidental career’ as a judge on the Ontario Court of Appeal (1965), the Supreme Court of Canada (1970), and finally as Chief Justice of Canada (1973–1984). Throughout his professional career, he used the law to make Canada a better place for workers, racial and ethnic minorities, and the disadvantaged. As a judge, he sought to make the judiciary more responsive to modern Canadian expectations of justice and fundamental rights.

In Bora Laskin: Bringing Law to Life, Professor Philip Girard chronicles the life of a restless man on an important mission. He fought antisemitism, corporate capital, omnipotent university boards, the Law Society of Upper Canada, and his own judicial colleagues in an effort to modernize institutions and re-shape Canadian law. Professor Girard drew on a wealth of previously untapped archival records and conducted numerous interviews with Laskin’s contemporaries to create this compelling account of the life and times of Canada’s best-known jurist.

The book was published by the University of Toronto Press for the Osgoode Society in late 2005. It was launched first at Lakehead University in Thunder Bay, Laskin’s home town, and subsequently at the Supreme Court of Canada and at Osgoode Hall. Copies can be purchased in better bookstores everywhere, or directly from the Osgoode Society in Toronto by emailing Marilyn Macfarlane at mmacfar@lsuc.on.ca.
ON FEBRUARY 23, 2006 an important new labour convention was adopted by the International Labour Organization (ILO), a UN organization. The Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, sometimes described as a “charter” and a “seafarers’ bill of rights” is aimed at achieving quality shipping and the further marginalization of substandard ships and operators through the effective implementation of international standards for decent conditions of work on ships. Professor Moira L. McConnell (LL.B. ’84) has been an Advisor to International Labour Office in Geneva since 2003 working on the development of the text of this Convention. On her recent sabbatical she participated as a Special Advisor to the three-week conference held at the UN’s Palais des Nations (in Geneva). She reports that she had the unique privilege of both following the debate on the Convention text by over 1000 participants and then witnessing its adoption in the final record vote.

The adoption of this Convention in an almost unprecedented show of global support, was described by the Director-General of the ILO, Dr Juan Somavia, as “making labour history”. The Convention is considered to be an important step forward in the ILO’s contribution to achieving fair globalization. It may also provide a model for other economic sectors. The Convention is over 100 pages long and took nearly six years of tripartite (governments, workers and employers) consultation and negotiation to develop. It brings together almost all of the 70 existing international maritime labour instruments adopted since 1920 and introduces a strengthened approach to ensuring enforcement and compliance with international standards through a new labour certification and inspection system.

Professor McConnell comments “Aside from relief at seeing that the text the ILO has worked on for so long was acceptable and so enthusiastically adopted, it was a remarkable event from a broader perspective. It was a reaffirmation and commitment to the continuing importance of international law and international cooperation as a way forward to deal with the very difficult social, economic and human rights issues that arise in connection with globalization and economic development. Some believe that rule of law and international law is no longer relevant. That Conference and this Convention specifically argue against that pessimism”. (See: http://www.ilo.org/public/english/bureau/inf/event/maritime/index.htm)
Professor Sheila Wildeman was selected as one of this year’s winners of the Dalhousie Student Union Awards for Teaching Excellence — a promising start for Professor Wildeman who joined the faculty at Dalhousie Law only two years ago. Sheila articled with Eberts Symes Street and Corbett in 2000 and worked as a Research Associate with the Dalhousie Health Law Institute in 2001. She is currently an Assistant Professor of Law at Dalhousie and is completing her Doctorate in Law. She teaches Administrative Law, Public Law and Critical Perspectives on Law. •

Steve Coughlan wins teaching award

Professor Stephen Coughlan (LL.B.’85) is one of the two winners of the 2005 Distinguished Teacher Award given annually by The Association of Atlantic Universities (AAU). The purpose of the awards is to encourage excellence in teaching in the universities of the Atlantic region by acknowledging those individuals who exemplify such excellence and those who contribute more generally to the improvement of the quality of university teaching.

Steve joined the Faculty of Law at Dalhousie in 1992 and was appointed a full professor in 2004. His citation for the AAU award states: “Since 1993 he has been the recipient of four teaching awards, two within the faculty, and two university-wide awards, reflecting, as one colleague noted, ‘consistently exceptional teaching throughout his university career at Dalhousie. He has attained this standard of excellence in teaching while taking on both teaching and administrative overloads, engaging in extra-curricular activities and community outreach, and maintaining an extensive and respected teaching agenda’”.

The citation notes further that: “In addition to encouraging his students to learn, Professor Coughlan has also shared his teaching expertise within the Dalhousie community and beyond. He has engaged in the scholarship of teaching and learning though presentations and articles on teaching that have been shared with a variety of legal and educational communities; he has acted as a mentor in the Dalhousie Mentorship Program, and he has worked on a number of teaching-related committees including the faculty of Law’s Professional development Committee.”

Professor Coughlan was honoured at a banquet held on April 25, 2006 at Halifax’s Lord Nelson Hotel. Winners of the Distinguished Teacher Award are invited to visit other universities and to address their faculty members. •
**Professor Doelle completes doctorate**

Professor Meinhard Doelle (LL.B.’89) recently completed his doctorate, and published two books in 2005, one on the international climate change regime, and one on the Canadian Environmental Protection Act.

Professor Doelle’s research focus continues to be in the areas of climate change and environmental assessments. Current research initiatives include implementation of the Kyoto Protocol, law and policy responses to invasive seaweed, and the effectiveness of the federal environmental assessment process.

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**Dalhousie Law leads research in restorative justice**

**PROFESSOR JENNIFER LLEWELLYN** and co-applicants Professors Bruce Archibald, Don Clairmont (Sociology) and Diane Crocker (Sociology, SMU), have been awarded a five-year, $1 million research grant under the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council’s (SSHRC) Community-University Research Alliance (CURA) programme. The grant proposal, entitled “Beyond Theory: Assessing Restorative Justice in Practice”, is focused on the issues that arise with the implementation and institutionalization of a comprehensive restorative justice program – with particular emphasis on the Nova Scotia Restorative Justice Program.

This program is one of the most well developed of its kind anywhere in the world. The research will pursue a number of projects exploring the following themes: institutionalization of restorative justice; the involvement of communities in restorative justice; issues related to equity and diversity; gender issues in the practice of restorative justice; and the conceptualization and measurement of success in restorative justice programs.

The alliance has Dalhousie Law School as the lead institution and Saint Mary’s as a partner institution, with other academic collaborators including Professor Michelle Williams of Dalhousie Law School, Professor Tony Thomson (Sociology, Acadia), Professor Melanie Randall (Law, Western) and Professor Lori Haskell (Psychiatry, Toronto).

In addition to the academic institutions the alliance involves 18 community partners including the Nova Scotia Department of Justice, the RCMP, the Halifax Police, Nova Scotia Legal Aid, Corrections Services, Victims Services, Prosecution Services, Mi’kmaq Legal Support Network and the restorative justice agencies across the province. The agencies are community-based organizations that facilitate the restorative justice program in the province.

The grant should provide significant research opportunities for Dal Law students and an opportunity to further develop our relationship with these community and government partners and agencies.

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(left to right): Professors Douglas M. Johnston, Aldo Chircop, Meinhard Doelle, David Vander Zwaag, Timo Koivurova and Philip Girard

Professor Doelle joined the full time faculty in 2003 after close to ten years of part time teaching at Dalhousie and other universities around the Maritime Provinces.

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Plan to attend the Annual Dalhousie Law Alumni Reunion Weekend

The weekend kicks off with the Annual Law Alumni Dinner on Friday September 29, 2006 with individual class weekend activities taking place on Saturday, September 30th & Sunday, October 1st

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M. Lee Cohen, Q.C

LEE COHEN IS ONE OF CANADA’S foremost immigration lawyers. He has been described as humble, provocative, passionate, a maverick, a crusader, and a fiercely outspoken activist for human rights. Above all, he is an alumnus with an unparalleled record of service towards the plight of refugees and others seeking to make Canada their home.

Marven Lee Cohen was born, and received his early education, in Saint John, New Brunswick. He graduated from the University of New Brunswick in 1977 with a Bachelor of Education degree, and, in 1980, received his Bachelor of Laws degree from Dalhousie University.

While at the Law School, Lee was elected president of the Dalhousie Law Students’ Society. However, he did not take easily to traditional law school training. “I learn best by experience as opposed to explanation”, he says. In his third year Lee opted to take the Dalhousie Legal Aid Clinic. The Clinic gave him a broad perspective into the problems of the disadvantaged.

In 1981 Lee joined a large firm and worked his way to a partnership. He started his own law firm in 1986. In 1987 Lee stumbled into an unforeseeable set of circumstances that was to change his life. In that year, 174 Sikh refugee claimants arrived unannounced on the shores of Nova Scotia. The World Sikh Organization needed local representation from a member of the Nova Scotia bar. Lee offered his services and was soon catapulted full time into the area of immigration and refugee law. Lee represented all 174 claimants. He knew immediately that this was the area where he wished to direct his energies. He hasn’t looked back since.

As a result of the Sikh experience Lee has gained an introduction into the history of immigration law. He is passionate when he speaks of a bureaucracy that is enormous, unwieldy and often administratively out of control. He is moved by the realization that so many immigrants and refugees are powerless, and their lives seem to be lacking in social value.

In June 2000 he founded the Halifax Refugee Clinic, a non-profit organization providing pro bono representation for eligible refugees. The Clinic has filled a much needed void, far exceeding its founder’s expectations. When the Immigration and Refugee Board comes to Halifax the Clinic represents approximately 85% of the refugee claimants appearing before it.

Lee received a Queen’s Counsel appointment in 2002. In 2003 he received the Nova Scotia Human Rights Award, and the Queen Elizabeth II Golden Jubilee Commemorative Medal. In 2004 Life and Times, CBC TV’s premiere biography series, profiled “Cohen’s War: The Life and Times of Lee Cohen” in a one hour documentary. •
The Honourable Mr. Justice Robert L. Barnes

Robert Leslie Barnes is a native of Coquitlam, British Columbia. He graduated from Acadia University in 1974 with a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) degree in Political Science. He entered Dalhousie Law School the same year and graduated with a Bachelor of Laws degree in 1977.

Almost peerless as a trial lawyer in matters involving insurance, products liability, complex personal injury and professional liability, Mr. Justice Barnes was appointed Queen’s Counsel in 1995. He was also very active in his service to the legal profession. He was a member of Bar Council. He was a director and later a chairman of the Barristers’ Liability Claims Fund. He was an advisory board member of the Canadian Lawyers’ Insurance Association. He lectured at Dalhousie Law School. He delivered numerous papers and was a sought-after speaker for professional development and continuing legal education conferences. As a testament to his legal prowess, he was sworn in as a Justice of the Federal Court of Canada in December of 2005.

Outside of the law, Mr. Justice Barnes’ volunteer commitment to humanitarian causes has been no less stellar. He has occupied almost every position within the ranks of the Canadian Red Cross. At the time of his appointment to the Federal Court of Canada, he had just completed a year as the Immediate Past National President of the Canadian Red Cross, having served as the organization’s National President from 2001 to 2004. He was also just completing his two year appointment to the International Federation of Red Cross Societies of which he was the Vice-President for the Americas.

Mr. Justice Barnes’ travels on behalf of the humanitarian mandate of the Red Cross were almost legendary. Venezuela, Colombia, Japan, Korea, Algeria, the United Arab Emirates, the United States, England, Chile and Switzerland were just some of his regular destinations. His message was always the same: “the developed world, with its riches and its promise, must continue to recognize and do more for those who are tired, cold, hungry, afraid, dispossessed or beset by war, natural disaster or by other human tragedy.” He stood at “Ground Zero” and welcomed families displaced by preceding events into his own home. Like the Red Cross itself, Mr. Justice Barnes was always available “any time... anywhere.”

If, as Mark Twain wrote, “kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see,” Mr. Justice Barnes has spoken very loudly. His is a legacy of personal commitment to those most in need.

The Weldon Award 2006
The Weldon Award for Unselfish Public Service 2007

This annual award, sponsored by the Dalhousie Law School Alumni Association, is to honour a graduate of the Law School for unselfish public service in the community. Established in 1983, this award is a tribute to the ideals of the Law School’s first dean, Richard Chapman Weldon, and a reminder of the Weldon Tradition which had its origins during his 31-year tenure as Dean from 1883 to 1914.

Eligibility: A Dalhousie Law School graduate with a record of unselfish public service.

Nominations: With your nomination please include a minimum of two letters of support along with the nominee’s curriculum vitae.

Selection: A selection committee appointed by the board of directors of the Dalhousie Law Alumni Association

Deadline: Nominations must be received by November 30, 2006

My nomination for The Weldon Award for Unselfish Public Service:

Nominated by: 

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Bruce Archibald

Professor Archibald’s sabbatical research trip was delayed from July to the end of September 2005 as he cleaned up work in Halifax and got a six month leave from his duties as Vice-Chair of the Nova Scotia Labour Relations Board. In October, however, he made it to England, near Oxford, where he worked on a paper entitled “The Challenges of Institutionalizing Comprehensive Restorative Justice: Theory and Practice in Nova Scotia.” This was presented, on behalf of himself and co-author Professor Jennifer Llewellyn, at a conference in Manchester in November. (While in Manchester, he visited the home of Manchester United, Old Trafford, to phone Halifax from the stands and placate and/or infuriate his jealous soccer playing son, Michael). After the stint in England, Professor Archibald moved to Amsterdam where he substituted for Professor Innis Christie teaching contracts for three weeks in the “Introduction to the Common Law” course that retired Professors Charles, Christie and Darby have been offering at the Vrije University of Amsterdam (VU) for the last few years. With that exercise under his belt (it required a little remedial work to get up to speed), he moved for a month to the Judicial Studies Institute of the Italian National Research Council at the University of Bologna, directed by Professor Giusseppe DiFederico. There he gave a lecture on judicial independence in Canada, building on his recent activities as Chair of Nova Scotia’s Independent Tribunal on Salaries and Benefits of Provincial Court Judges, and on his recent consultations for the Canadian Judicial Council concerning aspects of the process of complaints against federally appointed judges (conducted with Professor Patrick Healy of McGill University). He also visited and observed sessions at the Superior Council of the Magistracy in Rome which, under the Italian Constitution, has jurisdiction to regulate virtually all aspects of the Italian judiciary.

Shifting venue to the Costa del Sol for the month of December, Professor Archibald did research on the impact of economic globalization and the new information economy on labour law. This gave him the opportunity to substantially revise his thinking on labour and employment law and their relationship to human capital development. On the way out of Spain, he also met with Professors Casanova and Poblet of the Law Faculty of the Autonomous University of Barcelona concerning prospects for co-operation between our institutions in comparative research on judicial systems.

En route to Australia, he then touched down briefly in Bangkok, where he gave a talk on Canadian/Nova Scotian restorative justice to officials of the Thai Probation Service and consulted with them on aspects of their large scale restorative justice program. On arrival for three months of research in Australia, he met with Professor Rick Mohr of the Law Faculty of the University of Wollongong concerning comparative research on judicial systems. He also met with Wollongong Law Dean (and Dalhousie doctoral graduate) Stuart Kaye, concerning possibilities for a closer Dalhousie/Wollongong linkage.

The better part of Professor Archibald’s Australian research phase was spent at the Regulatory Institutions Network (RegNet) of the Research School of Social Sciences at the Australian National University in Canberra. There he had the pleasure of catching up on regulatory theory, interacting with Professors John and Valerie Braithwaite, Clifford Shearing, Peter Grabosky, and Heather Strang, and conversing with a host of challenging graduate students and researchers. While at RegNet he gave a seminar and drafted a paper entitled: “Criminal Law and Restorative Justice in Canada: Capacity Building with Layered Models of Meta/Regulation and Deliberative Democracy”. In addition, Professor Archibald took advantage of his time in Australia to consult with restorative justice practitioners in the Australian Capital Territory (ACT), Adelaide and Perth, as well as to meet with the Directors of Public Prosecutions for both ACT and Western Australia.

On the trip home, Professor Archibald gave a lecture on restorative justice at the Law Center of the University of Houston, and attended the meeting of the North American Consortium on Legal Education in Monterrey, Mexico where he co-organized (with Professor Sandra Guerra-Thompson of the Houston Law Center) a very successful comparative workshop with American, Canadian and Mexican professors and students of criminal law. The discussions on NAFTA and its labour side agreement (NAALC) were also a critical aspect of this gathering.

Along the way, Professor Archibald had time to work on aspects of psychological theories of personality and their relationship to character evidence in connection with a paper being jointly written with Professor Ronalda Murphy. (This also provided the opportunity for useful chats with his daughter Beth, a graduate in Psychology from Dalhousie/ King’s).

All in all, Professor Archibald reports that the sabbatical gave him a welcome opportunity to rethink important areas of labour law and human capital investment, and to develop new ways of conceptualizing the relationships between restorative justice and criminal law. Professor Archibald returns to Halifax in April excited by a renewed sense of his teaching, scholarly and professional missions, and a debt of gratitude to those who were so kind to him and his wife (Martha Pratt) during this sabbatical odyssey.

Carol Aylward

Professor Aylward was the recipient of the Harry Jerome Award for Professional Excellence, a national award given by the Black Business and Professional Association of Ontario to honour “outstanding members of the African Canadian Community” (1998) as well as the C.A.B.L. Award (Canadian Association of Black Lawyers) — Recognizing Black Women’s Contribution to the Law, February, 2002. She has also served as a commissioner of the Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission and as a commissioner of the Nova Scotia Police Commission. She is the past director and the longest serving director of the Dalhousie Indigenous Blacks and Mi’kmaw Programme (serving in that capacity from 1991-2000). In 2005 Professor Aylward presented at the first International Human Rights and Critical Race Theory Conference hosted by the University of Ontario Institute of Technology. She also authored a book review of: *From the Grassroots to the Supreme Court: Brown v. Board of Education and American Democracy* (forthcoming) *Osgoode Hall Law Journal* commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Supreme Court of the United State’s decision of *Brown v. Board of Education*. Professor Aylward has also accepted an invitation to be part of the National Advisory Board “Canadians for Diversity in Radio-Television and Telecommunications” (CDRTC) extended by the Canadian Centre for Research Action on Race Relations (CRARR).

**Vaughan Black**

This year Vaughan Black taught Tort Law and Damage Compensation, Judicial Remedies and Animals and the Law. He spoke at conferences in Ottawa and Toronto, and at a training seminar for the National Judicial Institute. He published articles on torts (in the *Health Law Review*), conflict of laws (two in the *Canadian Business Law Journal*), animals (in the *New Brunswick Law Review*) and a couple of book reviews. He continued his support for Dalhousie Legal Aid Service by playing on its baseball team.

**David Blaikie**

David Blaikie was pleased and honoured to be the recipient of the 2005-2006 Hanna & Harold Barnett Award in Law for excellence in first-year teaching. This year he taught Civil Procedure and Torts. He has been collaborating with Associate Dean Diana Ginn on a number of research and writing projects in the area of law and religion. A book, *The Legal Guide for Canadian Churches*, co-authored with Professor Ginn, will be published by Novalis Press in the fall of 2006. Professors Ginn and Blaikie are working on a second book on legal and ethical issues around confidentiality and privacy for non-profit organizations generally, and churches in particular, due to the publisher Novalis in the spring of 2007. A third book, a collection of essays on current issues in law and religion, is at the proposal stage. A paper they have written, “Religious Discourse in the Public Square” will appear in the journal *The Constitutional Forum*.

Professor Blaikie continues as a board member of the Johnson Scholarship Foundation, an American organization which helps disadvantaged people attain an education.

**Aldo Chircop**

Aldo Chircop returned from leave of absence at the World Maritime University on July 1, 2005 and resumed teaching at Dalhousie Law School. He is currently teaching Maritime Law and Contracts, and also teaches a course on integrated coastal and ocean management at the Marine Affairs Programme, now in the Faculty of Management. Professor Chircop continues to have a busy research and publication agenda, mostly under funding from EU projects on maritime transport law and policy, marine protected areas in Africa, and maritime safety and environment protection in the Baltic. He has recently published as lead editor and author a book entitled *Places of Refuge for Ships: Emerging Environmental Concerns of a Maritime Custom* (Leiden: Brill / Nijhoff, 2006). His *Maritime Law* book (Toronto: Irwin Law, 2003), co-authored with Edgar Gold and Hugh Kindred, recently received the prestigious Walter Owen Book Prize for a new book in Canadian law by the Foundation for Legal Research. He also continues to co-edit the *Ocean Yearbook* with Moira McConnell and Scott Coffen-Smout, now being published by Transnational Press of New York.

**Innis Christie**

Innis Christie continues to enjoy his post-retirement association with the Law School. He shares a course (Administration of the Collective Agreement) with Eric Slone and an office with Candace Malcolm (4th floor). He also coaches Dal’s team in the Annual Labour Arbitration Competitive Moot in Toronto at the end of January. After a one year hiatus, next November he will rejoin Bill Charles and Peter Darby in teaching “Introduction to the Common Law” at Vrije Universiteit of Amsterdam. Apart from that, Innis keeps as busy as he wants to be with his arbitration practice and a few volunteer activities. From May to the end of October Innis and Jeanne live at Amherst Shore, Cumberland County, N.S.

**Steve Coughlan**

Steve Coughlan had an active year, continuing to teach Criminal Law, the Gale Cup, Introduction to Law and a portion of the IB&M pre-Law program, as well as teaching Criminal Procedure for the first time this year and supervising a couple of directed research papers. This course load fits well with his research interests, which included again this year co-editing the Criminal reports and the National Judicial Institute Electronic Newsletter on Criminal Law Issues, as well as writing a number of articles and annotations on criminal law subjects. In addition he twice appeared in the CBA publication The National — once as the author of an article on legal education in 2025, and once as the subject of
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an article talking about his hobby of juggling. In addition, he was presented with the Dalhousie University Alumni Award of Excellence in Teaching at the Annual Dinner in October 2004 and was inducted as an honorary member of the Dalhousie Chapter of Golden Key International. Also, in June 2005, he was pleased to attend the CALT conference in Vancouver, and have the opportunity to visit with both former classmates and former students at an alumni reception.

Rob Currie

Rob Currie has had another exciting and productive year in a job that he loves. The ongoing challenge of convincing students of the importance of Civil Procedure is supplemented by the Evidence course. Rob also coached the 2005-2006 Jessup team to a high-quality performance at the national competition in Ottawa, and is co-teaching the International Criminal Law seminar with Bill Fenrick.

Professor Currie was delighted to be taken on as a co-author of the 7th edition of the leading Canadian international law textbook, International Law: Chiefly as Interpreted and Applied in Canada, which was edited by colleagues Hugh Kindred and Phillip Saunders and was published early in 2006. He is busily at work on his own book, International and Transnational Criminal Law (forthcoming from Irwin Law in 2007), and continues to research and publish in the international criminal law field. He also recently published a foray into non-academic writing: a book review of a biography of the late, great Johnny Cash.

At the Law School, Professor Currie chaired the Moot Court Committee and sat as a member of the Academic Studies Committee.

In January of 2005 Rob attended, at Health Canada’s invitation, an inter-disciplinary “brain-storming” session on the topic of liability issues in inter-professional health care practice. In June of 2005 Professor Currie traveled to London, UK to give a paper at a conference entitled Canada-UK Perspectives on Public International Law, at which Professor Kindred also presented. He continues to be an active media commentator on legal issues.

Michael Deturbide

Michael Deturbide completed his tenure as Director of the Law and Technology Institute in 2005. A major milestone was the publication by CCH Canadian in late 2004 of the book Internet and E-Commerce Law in Canada, which he co-authored with Professor Scassa. Professor Deturbide was also a contributing author of a report to the Privacy Commissioner of Canada, entitled An Analysis of Legal and Technological Privacy Implications of Radio Frequency Identification Technologies, and to the Encyclopedia of Comparative Law, which will be published by Edward Elgar. He recently completed another book, to be published by Butterworths, entitled Consumer Protection Online.

Professor Deturbide taught Tax Law and Business Associations, and supervised graduate students in technology law. In May Professor Deturbide helped organize and participated in the launch of the Privacy and Security Lab at Dalhousie University, a joint venture with the Faculty of Computer Science. He was also a visitor at the Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam in April, and continued as co-editor-in-chief of the Canadian Journal of Law and Technology (CJLT). Professor Deturbide sat on the Board of Directors of IT.Can (the Canadian Technology Lawyers Association), and participated in the successful launch of a student paper contest for that organization and the CJLT. In the fall he was an invited speaker at the Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice national conference in Toronto, and at the Canada-Australia Comparative Cyberlaw Conference at the University of Ottawa.

At the Law School, Professor Deturbide chaired the Admissions Committee, which included participating in the Law Foundation of Nova Scotia, J. Gerald Godsoe, Alistair McBain Scholarship selection committees. As Chair of Admissions, he also served on the IB&M Initiative Advisory Council, and the Law School’s Strategic Planning Committee. At the university level, he participated in drafting the final report of a review of the MBA program at the Faculty of Management, and sat on the Faculty of Graduate Studies Academic Appeals Committee.

Professor Deturbide continued to act as Technology Law counsel to the law firm McInnes Cooper in 2005, and was also a member of the Subcommittee on Misconduct and Irregularities in the Admissions Process for the Law Services Admissions Council.

He served on the Board of Directors of Neptune Theatre, the Dalhousie Art Gallery, the Dalhousie Law Alumni Association, and the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute.

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**Jocelyn Downie**

Jocelyn Downie spent a glorious year on sabbatical at the University of Otago in New Zealand. Thanks to Professor Elaine Gibson stepping in as Acting Director and the rest of the HLI pitching in, she was able to take a break from administration and teaching to focus on research and writing.

She saw through to completion the following articles/book chapters: “Grasping the Nettle: Confronting Competing Issues and Obligations in Health Research Policy”; “Unilateral Withholding and Withdrawal of Potentially Life-Sustaining Treatment: A Violation of Dignity Under the Law”; “The Canadian Agency for the Oversight of Research Involving Humans: A Reform Proposal”; “The Power of Money: Commercialization of Research in Public Institutions”; “A Constitutional Defence of the Federal Ban on Human Cloning for Research Purposes” (with Jennifer Llewellyn & Françoise Baylis); “The Olivieri Case: Lessons for Australia” (Ethics in Human Research Conference, Canberra (with Susan Dodds)); “Stem Cells and Big Picture Bioethics: Comparing Policy-Making in Liberal Democracies” (International Association of Bioethics, 7th World Congress, Sydney (with Françoise Baylis, Susan Dodds, and Rachel Ankeny)); “The Olivieri Case: Lessons for Australia” (University of Wollongong (with Susan Dodds)); “Commercialization of Research in Public Institutions: Implications for Discussions of Conflicts of Interest” (Staff Seminar, Faculty of Law, University of Otago); “Dying Justice: A Case for the Decriminalization of Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide “(Seminar Series, Bioethics Centre, University of Otago); and “Contemporary Health Research: A Cautionary Tale” (Seminar Series, Bioethics Centre, University of Otago).

Despite being so far away, she continued to oversee and participate in her ongoing research projects. These include: CIHR Neuroimaging Ethics: From Theory to Practice; Australian Research Council Big Picture Bioethics: Policy-Making and Liberal Democracy; IWK Health Centre Research Centre of Excellence Scholar Award; CIHR Training Program in Health Law and Policy; CIHR Development of New Conceptual Paradigms Responding to Privacy and Access Challenges in Health Research; and Health Canada Governance Choices and Health Care Quality: A Focus on Patient Safety.

It was difficult to leave Dunedin after such a wonderful and productive year. However, she was certainly happy to return to her friends and colleagues at Dalhousie.

**Dick Evans**

Dick Evans has been appointed to the Board of Governors of Dalhousie University for a two-year term commencing on July 1, 2005. This position is as one of the two faculty representatives, from across the university, who are appointed by the University Senate to sit on the Board.

Professor Evans also continues to serve as Chair of the Board of Oxfam Canada. He is scheduled to be the Oxfam Board Chair until the middle of 2007. He reports that this volunteer work with Oxfam has been, and continues to be, an ongoing and immensely stimulating learning venture. He notes that grappling with issues of poverty and injustice at a global level bears a great deal of resemblance to the struggle that engages those who toil at Dalhousie Legal Aid Service.

Professor Evans did a presentation before the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health critiquing the draft federal quarantine legislation. She continued her research in the following areas: the role of research ethics boards in health-related studies utilizing personal information; technology and the production, consumption and use of health information; the development of new conceptual paradigms responding to privacy issues of poverty and injustice at a global level bears a great deal of resemblance to the struggle that engages those who toil at Dalhousie Legal Aid Service.

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and access challenges in health; and legal foundations for a national disease control and surveillance agency in Canada. Professor Gibson presented at a public health law conference co-sponsored by the Centres for Disease Control and the American Society of Law, Medicine and Ethics in Atlanta, Georgia on the subject of “Post - SARS: Principles for Design of a Public Health Information System”.

Other presentations included the topics of Provincial Public Health and Emergency Powers; Legal Issues in Public Health Surveillance; Legal Dimensions of Electronic Health Records; and the Role of Law in the Construction of Citizenship and Inclusion for Persons with Disabilities.

Professor Gibson taught Advanced Negligence: Medical Malpractice as well as Health Care Ethics and Law, supervised a number of graduate students, and was Acting Director of the Health Law Institute for 2004-05. In that capacity she shepherded renovations to a suite of offices on the first floor of the Law School, now known as the ‘Health Law Institute Annex’.

**Diana Ginn**

In 2005, Diana Ginn continued as Associate Dean Academic, and taught Property Law.

Professor Ginn’s writing in 2005 focused on *A Legal Guide for Canadian Churches* (a book co-written with Professor David Blaikie and to be published by Novalis Press); on “Religious Discourse in the Public Square”, also co-written with David Blaikie and to be published in *Constitutional Forum*; and on issues relating to alternative dispute resolution.

In June 2005, Professor Ginn traveled to Vietnam as part of a CIDA funded project, and in October, project participants from Vietnam and the Philippines came to Dalhousie Law School for a conflict management workshop organized by Professor Ginn. In August 2005, she co-presented a paper at Cambridge University, addressing the role of religious reasoning in the context of legislators and judges.

In 2005, she continued as the Law School representative on the Nova Scotia Law Reform Commission.

In March, 2005, Professor Ginn received the Harold and Hannah Barnett Teaching Award, and in May, she received the class ring from the graduating class.

**Michael Hadskis**

Michael Hadskis continued to teach Health Law, as act the faculty supervisor for the Health Law Placement course, oversee and deliver teaching in the Faculty of Medicine at the M.D. and post-graduate levels, and oversee the health law curriculum in the Faculties of Dentistry and Health Professions.

Professor Hadskis also took on the competition administrator role for the 2005 Trilateral Moot Court Competition.

Professor Hadskis remained actively involved in the research ethics community. In October 2005, he was invited by the Center for Biology & Society, Arizona State University, to speak on the subject of whether research participant representatives should be granted standing before Institutional Review Boards. (His decision to accept this invitation was not influenced by the fact that Arizona is home to over 50 spectacular golf courses.) He also delivered a talk entitled, “… And Procedural Justice for All: REBs and Administrative Law”, at the 2005 Canadian Association of Research Ethics Boards Annual Conference in Toronto. Michael served on several boards and working groups including the IWK Health Centre Research Ethics Board, the Dalhousie Health Sciences Research Ethics Board, the Nova Scotia Research Ethics Oversight Steering Group, and the IWK Privacy and Research Working Group.

He pursued his research interests in the areas of regulating biomedical research and neuroimaging. He co-wrote an article with Jocelyn Downie entitled “Finding the Right Compass for Issue-Mapping in Neuroimaging” that appeared in The American Journal of Bioethics and has completed another article (with Jocelyn Downie and several others), “Legal and Ethical Issues of MRI Research Involving Children: An Issue Scoping Overview”, which has been submitted for publication.

Michael also served as Chair of the Abstracts Committee for the Canadian Bioethics Society 17th Annual Conference and Meeting.

**Philip Girard**

Philip Girard will continue as Associate Dean Graduate Studies and Research until June 2006, when Richard Devlin will take over the post. Aside from the appearance of his book *Bora Laskin: Bringing Law to Life*, published in November 2005 and noticed elsewhere in this issue, Professor Girard continued to be very active in the legal history field. He contributed a chapter to a forthcoming volume on Canada in the new *Oxford History of the British Empire*, entitled “British Justice, English Law and Canadian Legal Culture,” and his articles on Richard Chapman Weldon, Sir Charles Townshend (CJNS 1907-15), and James Wilberforce Longley appeared in vol. XV of the *Dictionary of Canadian Biography*. Professor Girard brought his historical interests to a wider audience through his participation in the CBC TV special on Joseph Howe, aired in connection with the bicentenary of Howe’s birth in 2004.

**Archibald Kaiser**

Professor H. Archibald (Archie) Kaiser has had a busy year. After finishing his term as Chair of the Senate Academic Appeals Committee, he has continued his other Dalhousie duties, teaching Criminal Law (the Deferred Course, for IB&M Initiative and other students), Criminal Procedure and Mental Disability Law in the Law School and also Legal Issues in Psychiatry in the Residency Training Program in the Department of Psychiatry.

He has had an extensive round of conference and other special lectures, usually on Criminal Law or Mental Disability Law and their intersection, speaking in Calgary, Moncton, and Halifax and in other Dalhousie Departments, including Nursing and Social Work. He has had several active public advocacy responsibilities.
in the Mental Health area, appearing before the Kirby Senate Committee, the Nova Scotia Law Amendments Committee (unsuccessfully opposing the new Involuntary Psychiatric Treatment Act) and serving on the Capital District Patient Activity Level Committee and the Bar Society Medical Fitness Task Force.

Archie has continued to be the faculty advisor of the very successful Dalhousie Law School chapter of Pro Bono Students Canada, a supporter of the Canadian Mental Health Association (recently named as one of their Champions, a group of public CMHA allies), and a member of the “Kaiser Grant” Monitoring Committee (which supervises the projects funded from Archie’s settlement with the government of Nova Scotia of his human rights complaint on political discrimination).

His family life evolved with his partner Anne Derrick’s appointment to the Provincial and Family Courts, which has not resulted in a workload reduction for her, but does carry the prospect of holidays, in contrast to private practice. Their children have flourished, with Elspeth (22) graduating from King’s College in Contemporaory Studies and movign on to Law School in 2006, Catriona (16) finishing Grade 12 at Armbrae Academy and planning to attend University, and Freya (12) completing Grade 7, also at Armbrae, and warning her parents about her teenage years to come.

**Mohamed Khimji**

Mohamed Khimji continues to teach Business Associations, Commercial Law (A) — Sale of Goods, Commercial Law (B) — Secured Transactions, and coaches the Corporate/Securities Law Moot team. In the next academic year, he will also be teaching a new seminar course called Property Rights in Investment Securities. His research focuses primarily on property rights in the electronic cross border financial markets. Mohamed is also a consultant to the UK Law Commission project on Property Interests in Investment Securities. His article, entitled “Intermediary Credit Risk — A Comparative Law Analysis of Property Rights in Indirectly Held Securities”, appeared in the Journal of Business Law in 2005. He is currently working on a commentary on the soon to be enacted Securities Transfer Act.

**Hugh Kindred**

Genocide and crimes against humanity are not topics for happy discussion, but a new seminar on International Criminal Law, offered by Professor Hugh Kindred in the winter semester 2005, was enthusiastically taken up by students. With the great help of Professor Rob Currie (on faculty) and Bill Fenrick (L.L.B. ’74 and recently retired to Halifax from the prosecutor’s office of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia at the Hague), Hugh Kindred created the seminar to complement the Law School’s existing course on International Human Rights Law (taught by Dr. Esmeralda Thornhill) alongside his regular teaching of a large class on the general principles of International Law.

Professor Kindred also developed his International Law interests with the presentation in June of two papers about the problems of applying international law within the Canadian legal system. The first, delivered at McGill University, Montreal, was prepared as part of a project of the federal Department of Justice and the second, presented at Canada House, London, was contributed to a comparative conference of the British Association of Canadian Studies (Legal Studies Group). Both papers will be included as chapters in books to be published in Canada in 2006.

Throughout the year Hugh also worked strenuously with Dean Phillip Saunders as co-editors on the preparation of a new, 7th edition of the established volume on International Law Chiefly as Interpreted and Applied in Canada.

In pursuit of his Maritime Law interests, Professor Kindred traveled in March to Malmö, Sweden to participate in a workshop at the World Maritime University concerning refuge for ships in distress. His paper on “Refuge and Recovery in General Average” was published in January 2006 in the volume edited by Professor Aldo Chircop (also of the faculty) and Olef Linden entitled Places of Refuge for Ships. During the year the book on Canadian Maritime Law, co-authored by Edgar Gold, Aldo Chircop and Hugh Kindred and published in late 2003, earned three favourable reviews, was quoted in a Nova Scotia judgement and was chosen as co-winner of the Walter Owen Book Prize for the best legal text published in English in Canada during 2003-2005.

**Jennifer Llewellyn**

Jennifer Llewellyn returned from maternity leave in July of 2004 and spent the year adjusting to working on considerably less sleep than she was used to in the past. The year was a busy and productive one nevertheless. In conjunction with the restorative justice course she teaches, Professor Llewellyn organized a conference co-sponsored by the Nova Scotia Department of Justice. She supervised the Smith Shield Moot.

Professor Llewellyn was the lead applicant for a successful Community University Research Alliance (CURA) grant from SSHRC. The project has been awarded $1 million in funding to support five years of research assessing restorative justice practice in the Nova Scotia Restorative Justice Program. The project involves 18 community partners, including all the major stakeholders of the Nova Scotia Restorative Justice Program and seven university-based collaborators. Professor Llewellyn will serve as Director of the CURA. She also continues to act as an academic and policy advisor on the Provincial Restorative Justice Programme Management Committee. In spring of 2004 Professor Llewellyn was invited to be a member of the Assembly of First Nations Expert Task Group on the Federal Government’s Dispute Resolution Model for
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Residential School Claims. She contributed a background paper for the report and assisted in drafting the final report, released in November 2004. Professor Llewellyn continued to assist the AFN on these issues in an advisory capacity throughout the negotiations with the federal government.

In spring 2005 Professor Llewellyn was awarded the Borden Ladner Gervais Fellowship to fund summer research assistance related to the book she is writing on restorative justice. This past year she presented papers at the Law School’s faculty seminar, the Stem Cell Research Network Meetings, the Canadian Journal of Women and the Law Workshop in Vancouver and presented at a national conference on residential schools. Professor Llewellyn published two pieces this year: Book Review “Aftermath: Violence and the Remaking of a Self” in Canadian Journal of Women and the Law and “Doing Justice in South Africa: Restorative Justice and Reparations” in Charles Villa-Vicencio & Erik Doxtader, eds., Repairing the Unforgivable: Reparations and Reconstruction in South Africa.

Constance MacIntosh

Constance MacIntosh reports she has had a thoroughly enjoyable year. She had the pleasure of accepting several invitations to participate in judicial education workshops regarding aboriginal law, both with the Newfoundland bench as well as the Federal Court (after all, who can resist a trip to Montebello?). Professor MacIntosh also spoke at several local forums, both on aboriginal law issues as well as on immigration and refugee issues such as the practice of issuing security certificates. A number of research papers which have been in press for a rather long time continue to be “in press,” and have been joined by other forthcoming publications; Professor MacIntosh hopes that some of her research will be in print before she retires. Professor MacIntosh recently received word that she was selected for one of the Law Commission’s 2006 Annual Legal Dimensions Initiative Awards, under which she will research questions regarding the intersection of jurisdictional barriers and the standard of living experienced by Aboriginal peoples.

A. Wayne MacKay

The past year has been a busy and eventful one for Wayne MacKay. Being made a member of the Order of Canada in June of 2005 was both a great honour and a surprise. He says it is very gratifying to have his work on social injustice recognized and to be included among the many impressive and talented Canadians that comprise the Order of Canada. Many people kindly passed along congratulations and among these were present and former students and friends from both Dalhousie Law School and Mount Allison University. He said “he was touched by the widespread thoughtful acknowledgements of his appointment to the Order.”

For most of 2005 Professor MacKay served as Acting Chair of the Rights and Democracy Board in Montreal, before returning to the Vice-Chair position in November when a new Chair was appointed. In addition to these Board duties and his full time duties at the Law School, he also conducted a year-long review of inclusive education in New Brunswick for the Department of Education, producing a 400-page report in December, 2005, entitled “Connecting, Care and Challenge: Tapping Our Human Potential”. This report was the product of both extensive research and 33 hearings and consultations throughout the province of New Brunswick. As part of this study, he also traveled to Saskatchewan and Finland to examine the education systems in these two venues.

On the teaching front, Professor MacKay had another positive year teaching Public Law, Privacy Law and a seminar in Canadian Law and the ISTAR initiative. Even after more than twenty years of teaching, he reports that he continues to enjoy the energy and intellectual challenge offered by his students. They continue to be the best part of the job. He also appreciates the support and camaraderie of his faculty colleagues.

It was also a good year for Professor MacKay for research and writing. He was a member and co-author of the “Report of the Canadian Association of Law Teachers (CALT) Panel on Supreme Court Appointments”. With his co-author Lyle (Chip) Sutherland, he completed a fully revised and expanded second edition of Teachers and the Law, published by Emond-Montgomery Ltd. The first edition was published in 1992, so there were many changes. In March 2005, he delivered the Lodhi Lecture in Human Rights at St. Thomas University in Fredericton, New Brunswick on “Challenges of Privacy and National Security”.

In the field of education law, he delivered keynote addresses at conferences in Ottawa, Toronto, and Regina during this last year. Finally, he published an article (with Janet Burt-Gerrans) in the McGill Education Journal entitled “Student Freedom of Expression: Violent Content and the Safe School Balance”.

During 2005 he twice appeared as an expert witness before the Senate of Canada. In March 2005, he presented to the Special Senate Committee on the Anti-Terrorism Act, as part of the review of that statute. In June 2005, he made a presentation to the Senate Standing Committee on Human Rights during their sessions held in Halifax. This Committee was examining Canada’s record in respect to the Convention on the Rights of the Child, signed by Canada in 1992. His focus was on education of children.

Ann Morrison

Ann Morrison, Law Librarian, continues to teach the first year Legal Research and Writing course and has welcomed the teaching assistance of Professor Sherifa Elkadem, Assistant Dean Student Services, and Professor David Blakie during the second term. For the sixth year Professor Morrison has taught the
Advanced Legal Research and Writing course which continues to be very popular with third-year students who wish to develop their research writing skills before moving on to professional practice.

As Law Librarian, Professor Morrison continues to serve as the Law School’s representative on the Academic Appeals Committee, the Senate Committee for computing and information technology and as a member of the Senate Library Committee. She is a member of the Board and Secretary of the International Association of Law Libraries, a member of the American Association of Law Libraries and is co-chair of the Preservation Committee for the Canadian Association of Law Libraries.

Professor Morrison attended the Annual Institute of the International Association of Law Libraries at the European University Law Faculty in Fiesole, Italy, and completed a course in management for Academic Library Directors at the Graduate School of Education at Harvard University in August.

Future projects planned for the library in the coming year include continuing to explore ways in which to make the library’s rare book collection accessible to the wider community, to reorganize some of the lesser used materials to increase seating capacity and to explore ways to continue to increase access to digital materials and increase the technological infrastructure in the library.

**Ronald Murphy**

Ronald Murphy was thrilled to be this year’s recipient of the 2005 Award for Teaching Excellence and equally pleased that her mother, Margaret Murphy, was able to travel from Prince Edward Island to attend the ceremony. In 2005-06 Professor Murphy taught Constitutional Law to a dedicated class of students and particularly enjoyed her seminar in Comparative Constitutional Law in the fall of 2005. In that seminar she watched several students develop into scholars in their own right as they produced comparative papers on a wide range of constitutional issues: the role of religion in national identity, child pornography regulation and free expression, restricted access to abortion services and the constitutionality of damage caps in tort law. Many papers written in this seminar over the years have been published and Professor Murphy expects this to be so with respect to this year’s papers as well.

Professor Murphy published “Same Sex Marriage and the Same Old Constitution”, 2005, 14:3 Constitutional Forum 21 in which she commented on the Supreme Court of Canada’s important decision. Her on-going work in comparative constitutional law garnered a selective invitation to the Global Legal Studies Initiative and the Center for Russia, East Europe and Central Asia’s Workshop on Constitution-Building in Comparative Perspective at the University of Wisconsin at Madison on October 22, 2005. Professor Murphy presented her paper, “Minority Rights in Deliberative Democracy: Same Sex and Prisoner Voting in the US and Canada”. She also gave a paper to the University of Wisconsin, Department of Sociology Faculty Workshop the previous day, entitled “Race, Gender and Class in Law and Sociology — Comparing South Africa and Canada”. In addition to her focus on constitutional issues, Professor Murphy has a passion for evidence law and for her Evidence Law class this past term she was able to assign Evidence: A Canadian Casebook 2nd ed, published by Emond Montgomery under the general editorship of Hamish Stewart. Professors Murphy, Stewart, Pilkington, Penney, Stribopoulos were co-editors of this popular textbook. Professor Murphy has papers in progress on aboriginal rights and on several evidence topics. She looks forward to the summer of 2006 when she and her 10 year old son Zachary can play in waves on the beaches in Prince Edward Island with Professor Murphy’s large extended family.

**Chidi Oguamanam**

In February 2005 Chidi Oguamanam was a guest lecturer at the Dalhousie Health Law Institute Lecture Series. His talk was titled “Complementary and Alternative Medicine: What About Local Medicine?” From coast to coast, Professor Oguamanam was in Vancouver in April 2005 as a keynote speaker at the 10th UBC Law Annual Interdisciplinary Graduate Students Conference at Green College, UBC, his alma mater. Professor Oguamanam spoke on “The Information Age: Reflections on Law, Science and Technology, Charting Rights from Wrong”, capturing the conference theme: Rights and Wrongs: Reflections on Global Connectivity. At Ottawa, Chidi participated at the Faculty of Law, University of Ottawa (Common Law Section’s) conference on the Right to Food at the Nexus of Trade and Technology in October 2005. He spoke on “Intellectual Property Rights in Plant Genetic Resources: Farmers’ Rights and Food Security in Indigenous and Local Communities”.

**Dianne Pothier**

On October 18, 2005 Dianne Pothier was awarded the Frances Fish Women Lawyers’ Achievement Award from the Nova Scotia Association of Women and the Law. Frances Fish was the first woman admitted to the Nova Scotia bar; the actual award is a funky teapot, in honour of the strategy meetings over tea held by the famous five women who were recognized as “persons” by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council on October 18, 1929.

Other highlights of the year for Professor Pothier included the release in December 2005 by UBC Press of Critical Disability Theory: Essays in Philosophy, Politics, Policy and Law, a book co-edited by her and Richard Devlin. Professor Pothier’s presentation in Ottawa on March 11, 2005, at a conference marking the 20th anniversary of s. 15 of the Charter, will appear in final form (“Equality as a Comparative Concept: Mirror, Mirror on the Wall, What’s the Fairest of them All”) in a special issue of the Supreme Court Law Review due to be released in 2006.
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Dawn Russell

Dawn Russell began a well-deserved sabbatical leave on July 1, 2005 after having completed ten years as Dean. In December 2004 she had been appointed by the federal Cabinet to a three member Advisory Panel (together with Art May and Derrick Rowe) to advise the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans and the Minister of Foreign Affairs on the Sustainable Management of Straddling Stocks in the Northwest Atlantic. The Panel’s report “Breaking New Ground” was delivered in June 2005 and released in August 2005. In May, just prior to the commencement of her sabbatical, Professor Russell was appointed by the Hon. Gerry Phillips, the Minister of Government Services for Ontario, who is also responsible for securities regulation in that province, to a panel chaired by Purdy Crawford (LL.B./’55) to develop a model for a single securities regulator for Canada. The Panel released a discussion paper, “A Blueprint for a New Model” on December 8, 2005, and is conducting roundtable discussions with stakeholders across the country as well as meetings with provincial ministers and deputy ministers concerned with securities regulation. The panel will deliver its final report in the spring.

The work of these two panels reflects the two areas of Professor Russell’s academic interest: international law and law of the sea, and business law. Part of her sabbatical has been spent preparing to return to a full teaching load which encompasses these two areas. Professor Russell has also been involved in research on behalf of the Marine and Environmental Law Institute research on the governance of tidal power and on cooperation between Canada and the U.S. in the Gulf of Maine. In the spring of 2005 Professor Russell served as one of two external members of the University of Toronto University Professorship Selection Committee. She has continued to chair the Rhodes Scholarship Committee for the Maritime provinces and, for the first time this year, served as a member of the Canadian Council on International Law’s John Peter Humphrey Fellowship Committee, which she will chair next year. In December 2005 she completed six years as a member of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Institute of Resource Law, located at the University of Calgary, and in March she completed two successive three-year terms as a Public Governor of the Canadian Investor Protection Fund. She is looking forward to her 25-year Dal Law class reunion at the end of September 2006.

Teresa Scassa

In July of 2005, Teresa Scassa took over as Director of the Law and Technology Institute at Dalhousie Law School. While teaching Property Law and Intellectual Property Law, she has also been busy with research and writing in the areas of intellectual property law and privacy. Recent publications include: “Copyright in Collective Works”, (2005) 84 Canadian Bar Review 347-364; “ Users’ Rights in the Balance: Recent Developments in Copyright Law at the Supreme Court of Canada”, (2005) 22 Canadian Intellectual Property Review 133; “Interests in the Balance”, in Michael Geist, ed., In the Public Interest — The Future of Canadian Copyright Law, Irwin Law, 2005, and “Nickled and Dimed: The Dispute over Intellectual Property Rights in the Bluenose II”, (2004) 27 Dalhousie Law Journal 293. Along with several of her colleagues, Professor Scassa received a grant from the Office of the Privacy Commissioner under that office’s Contributions Program to produce a study on the privacy implications of Radio Frequency Identification tags, or RFIDs. The study, titled: An Analysis of Legal and Technological Privacy Implications of Radio Frequency Identification Technologies, can be found online at: http://www.library.dal.ca/law/Guides/facultypubs.html. Professor Scassa has given presentations this year at the annual conferences of the Association for Teaching and Research in Intellectual Property (ATRIP), and the Association Littéraire et Artistique Internationale (ALAI). She also presented at the annual Health Law Conference in February 2006, and was a speaker at the Meredith Lectures at McGill in March of 2006. Professor Scassa has also been appointed to the External Advisory Committee for the Office of the Privacy Commissioner of Canada.

Rollie Thompson

Since the release of the draft Spousal Support Advisory Guidelines in January 2005, Rollie Thompson has been on the road, going to every Canadian province (except Saskatchewan) and the Yukon Territory, meeting with lawyers and judges — sort of like a band touring behind its latest CD, only without the roadies or the groups. Professor Thompson is co-author of the draft proposal for Advisory Guidelines, along with Professor Carol Rogerson from the University of Toronto. These Guidelines are informal and advisory, not legislated, providing ranges for the amount and duration of spousal support. Lawyers, mediators and judges have been using the Guidelines for the past year and the co-authors are now gathering feedback. A revised and final version of the Advisory Guidelines will be released by the federal Department of Justice in 2007.

Professor Thompson says the best part of this touring is meeting up with Dalhousie alumni and former students. The St. John’s session was like old-home week. The Vancouver session was organised by Grace Choi, one in Moncton by Sheila Cameron, and one in Whitehorse by Anna Pugh. In Cape Breton, he gave a before and after dinner speech in a Chinese restaurant. He spoke at the Charlottetown Yacht Club on a gloriously sunny June day. In Quebec City, Rollie actually gave a 45-minute speech on the “lignes directrices facultatives” in French, although his answers to questions were (for him) unusually brief.

Back home, Professor Thompson continued to teach...
large classes in Evidence, Civil Procedure and Family Law. Along with Justice Jim Williams, he co-supervised a placement program for students at the Supreme Court (Family Division). And he continued to answer questions and discuss cases with staff and students at Dalhousie Legal Aid Service. He serves as a member of the Board at DLAS, as well as Chair of the Board of the Public Interest Advocacy Centre in Ottawa and as consumer representative on the Cable Television Standards Council. Last spring he joined the Board of the Vanier Institute of the Family.

**Esmeralda Thornhill**  

Professor Thornhill’s on-going outreach collaboration with the Department of Russian Studies stemming from her 1996-2002 tenure as the First holder of the James Robinson Johnston Chair in Black Canadian Studies has resulted in the conceptualizing of a comparative seminar module on “Dostoevsky and Richard Wright of the Harlem Renaissance,” and a re-crafting of the course, “Black Identity in Pushkin”, which was instituted in September 2005 when she co-taught it with Professor J. Barnstead, Chair of the Department of Russian Studies. (fall 2005)

During the 2004-05 winter and spring terms, this inter-faculty cross-disciplinary collaborative Pushkin Project generated research initiatives attracting both local and international funding support (US Department of State) that has facilitated on-site archival research at the University of Illinois’ Summer Russian Laboratory. These collaborative research projects have already resulted in the co-presentation of two scholarly papers: “Re-thinking Pushkin, Re-visioning Pushkinology” (Dalhousie 2005 Conference on Teaching and Learning), and “Arapt Petra velikogo and Black Identity in Pushkin” (Canadian Association of Slavists 2005 An-nual Conference, University of Western Ontario).

In February 2005, Professor Thornhill travelled to Trinidad and Tobago where she was a visiting lecturer at the University of the West Indies’ (UWI) Hugh-Wooding School of Law, addressing law students from both the local St. Augustine and the Mona (Jamaica) campuses. In addition, she also conducted an interactive audiovisual training workshop for all practising teachers enrolled in the Diploma Programme of UWI’s Faculty of Education (Port of Spain).

At a national level, in June 2005, Professor Thornhill delivered the following scholarly papers in BC: “La ‘race’ et la loi s’affrontent: qui en sera l’arbitre?” (CALT 2005 Annual Conference, UBC); and “How Complicit? Law As Valet Masking Old Empire in New Canadian Trappings” (Law and Society Conference, Law’s Empire, B.C.). Professor Thornhill’s knowledge and expertise were also solicited during a national consultation to prepare the R.v. Spence Supreme Court of Canada Appeal (Toronto).

**David VanderZwaag**  
In 2005, Professor David VanderZwaag participated in numerous research and lecturing initiatives. With Dalhousie marine biologist, Jeff Hutchings, he co-authored “Canada’s Marine Species at Risk: Science and Law at the Helm, but a Sea of Uncertainties” (2005) 36 Ocean Devel. & Intíl L. 219. The paper was also presented at the Law Commission of Canada (LCC) Roundtable on Law and Risk in Ottawa (March 21). In July, Professor VanderZwaag participated in a national workshop on Vietnam’s proposed oceans act in Halong Bay and presented a paper “Canadian Ocean Governance and the Principles of Sustainable Development: Implementation Challenges and Approaches.”

In September, Professor VanderZwaag acted as a convenor and co-chair of a workshop on International Ocean Governance at the Ocean Management Research Network (OMRN) National Conference in Ottawa. In October, Professor VanderZwaag helped organize and gave three presentations at The Ocean Policy Summit (TOPS) held in Lisbon, Portugal. Held under the auspices of the Global Forum on Oceans, Coasts and Islands, the Summit brought together over 200 participants to compare national and regional experiences in developing integrated national and regional ocean policies.

In November, Professor VanderZwaag was an invited speaker at the Nordic Research Network for Saami and Environmental Law (NORSEL) Seminar held in Tromso, Norway and he lectured on the topic “Beneath the Keel of Kyoto: Exploring the Cross-Currents of Law of the Sea and the Convention on Biological Diversity”.

**Sheila Wildeman**  
Professor Wildeman continues to work on her doctoral thesis on capacity to make treatment decisions in the setting of involuntary psychiatric hospitalization. She gave a faculty seminar on the topic in the fall of 2005 and more recently presented a paper entitled “Reasons or symptoms? Tracing the psychiatric subject in assessments of capacity to make treatment decisions” at the Health Law Seminar Series. She also presented a paper (“The Supreme Court of Canada at the limits of decisional capacity”) at the Dalhousie Health Law Institute’s national health law conference in February. Sheila co-wrote a paper which recently appeared in the Canadian Journal on Aging, entitled “Comparison of provincial/territorial legislation governing substitute consent for involuntary psychiatric treatment”.

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**Michelle Williams**
Professor Williams continued her work as Director of the Indigenous Blacks and Mi’kmaw Initiative and began teaching Criminal Law in the fall of 2005.

In October 2005, the IB&M Initiative joined with the Dalhousie Aboriginal Law Students Association (DALSA) in launching the first Mi’kmaw Treaty Day & History Month Discussion Series at Dalhousie Law School. Dalhousie alumni Mr. Eric Zscheile and Ms. Viola Robinson shared their perspectives on the future of Mi’kmaw rights in light of the Bernard/Marshall decision. The IB&M Initiative was also pleased to support the inclusion of the Kawaskimon Aboriginal Rights Moot as part of Dalhousie Law School’s Mooting Program beginning in the 2006-2007 academic year. As described in the course outline, “the course involves participating in a national moot competition, which is typically based on a high profile case where Aboriginal rights are at issue.”

In December 2005, the Director helped to facilitate Dalhousie Law School’s hosting of the Halifax “Focus Groups to Assist in Developing an Equity and Diversity Template for Law Firms and Associations” organized by the Canadian Bar Association’s Standing Committee on Equity (SCE); and she continues to serve as a member of the Race Relations Committee of the N.S. Barristers’ Society.

Professor Williams contributed to the development of African Canadian perspectives in law through a series of presentations throughout the year. In October 2005, she was honoured to speak at the historic *Multiple Lenses: Voices from the Diaspora Located in Canada* conference hosted by the James Robinson Johnston Chair in Black Canadian Studies at Dalhousie University. The three-day conference of over 400 participants explored the complexity and diversity of the African Canadian experience. In February 2006, Professor Williams was pleased to give the keynote African Heritage Month Lecture at St. Francis Xavier University entitled, “African Nova Scotian Resistance: Justice in Action,” and later that month spoke on the topic of “Racism Against Aboriginal Peoples and African Canadians in the Legal Profession” at the 15th Annual Conference of the Black Law Students Association of Canada (BLSAC) in Windsor, Ontario.

In addition to facilitating the exploration of Aboriginal and African Canadian perspectives on law, Professor Williams participated in the “Women and the Law Forum” organized by Professor Sherifa Elkadem and the Dalhousie Women and the Law Society (DAWL) in November 2005, and as a panellist in the opening session of the IDEAALaw Conference organized by SALSA in February 2006.

**Dalhousie Legal Aid Service**

Dalhousie Legal Aid Service is certainly more than the sum of its parts, if parts include people. The people power part of this organization is phenomenal! To give you just a sampling of some of the parts of Dal Legal Aid consider the following:

In 2005, Claire McNeil, staff lawyer since 1991, successfully argued a case in the Supreme Court of Canada where the Court decided in our client’s favour not just by a majority, but unanimously, and overturned the decision of the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal, in upholding the trial judge’s decision, to the effect that the Court has the ability to review the Minister of Health’s plans for services for adults under its care, to ensure that they meet the “best interests” test. While this certainly qualifies as a “highlight” of the year, Claire’s social justice values were also at work in other venues like the IdealLaw Conference where she spoke on “Standing our ground: legal responses to police anti-panhandling policies; a case study” which dealt with police targeting of street youth for squeegeeing. She was also an inspiring presence at the “Carnival of Resistance” a well attended rally in support of keeping public spaces public and denouncing the proposed “Safe Streets Act”. This is all in addition to her work with the North End Community Health Clinic, the Nova Scotia Power hearings intervention and appeal, and the Affordable Energy Coalition, to name but a few other worthy pursuits.

Shawna Hoyte, has been with Dalhousie Legal Aid Service since May of 1995. She seems to have endless energy tackling her case load with enthusiasm and skill. She has a knack for connecting her casework with community issues and uses her amazing knowledge of the issues to work toward change and solutions. Just to touch on some of her 2005 activities would take too long, so I offer a couple of highlights. She continues to sit on the Board of Directors for the Community Justice Society in Halifax and keeps up her dedication to education and youth through giving presentations and workshops on the Youth Criminal Justice Act. She is currently researching human rights infringements under this Act which she will present at the National Social Work Conference in June, 2006. Shawna also continues to work directly with the inner city youth through the Youth and Community Working Together 4 Peace Project. She was guest panellist at the Canadian Criminal Justice Association inaugural workshop in the fall of 2005 and a key player in the launch of the Deaf Youth Legal Conference. She was a speaker at the Black Youth Conference held at Dalhousie University and will be honoured as a 2006 recipient of the Elizabeth Fry Society “Rebel With a Cause” award.

Heather McNeil continues to apply her many talents to community causes with style and panache as she has done since May of 1997 when she joined us as a staff lawyer. She is in the sixth
year of her involvement with a national organization conceived by the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples. This initiative seeks to advance the health of Aboriginal Peoples by developing a holistic approach to health care in the aboriginal community. She also sits on the Board of Directors of the Mi’kmaq Native Friendship Centre filling the role of Vice President. The mission of the centre is carried out through the promotion of educational and cultural advancement, assistance in meeting shelter needs and support for newly arrived Aboriginal Peoples in Metro Halifax. In addition, Heather can be heard throughout the community providing vital community legal education through information sessions and workshops for grassroots organizations like Mainline Needle Exchange and the Mi’kmaq Child Development Centre. The significance of her community work was recognized by the Elizabeth Fry Society and celebrated by community, family and colleagues as she received a 2005 “Rebel with a Cause Award”. Keeping up with her many cases, a spirited grandson and much loved daughter leaves little room for much else other than, of course, her connection with Karaoke audiences who are treated to the sweet, silky tones of her renowned song stylings.

**Susanne Litke** joined the clinic as a staff lawyer in August of 1999 and has been spreading her flair for advocacy, community legal education and client support ever since. Her energetic sixteen year old son keeps her on her toes and gives her lots of opportunities to hone her cross examination skills. Susanne is a tireless worker on behalf of the low income community and carries a varied and interesting family caseload, including a 2005 win with a successful family law argument before the Court of Appeal. Susanne is no slacker; in fact, she is a go-getter when it comes to community work and commitment as shown by her extensive work with issues and grassroots organizations especially in the LGBT community. Susanne’s love of nature and adventure top the chart for her highlight of 2005 which was an amazing kayaking trip along the south coast of Newfoundland. A paddler’s delight!

**Susan Young**, “Sue” as she is known, so as not to be confused with “Susan” as in Susan Jones, legal assistant extraordinary. Sue Young has been a staff lawyer with Dalhousie Legal Aid Service since May of 2001 and the highlight of her year in 2005 was definitely, without a doubt, 11 months of parental leave to spend time with and get to know her new daughter, Hayley who was born in June, 2004. Since her happy return in May, 2005 Sue has been busy attending to her caseload of child protection and family law cases including a case that was heard in the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal in December of 2005. Her talents are also at work on the Capital and District Health Authority Research Ethics Board where she currently sits as a member.

**Megan Leslie** joined the clinic in May of 2004 as a community legal worker. Her enthusiasm is palpable and she is a positive, lively, upbeat addition to our staff complement. She has been extremely busy in the community establishing a really solid tenant rights project which has grown from information sessions and workshops at its inception to now being in a position where there is a coordinator, and very well trained and experienced volunteers. The introduction of regular drop in sessions for renters in Dartmouth, in addition to the established Halifax sessions, along with the tenant rights info line and the identification of the project as a best practice nationally was the icing on the cake for 2005. Megan’s enthusiasm was refuelled by the celebration of the clinic’s 35th anniversary and the realization of what a great organization the clinic really is and has been for 35 years. The opportunity to speak about affordable energy at the UN Conference on Climate Change and promote the Affordable Energy Coalition in its work was both an honour and a rewarding experience. And of course, not to be forgotten were those refreshing evenings of playing softball for the Dal Legal Aid team (our win/loss record is extremely confidential) while bonding with colleagues, getting some exercise and drinking cold beer. It doesn’t get any better than this!

**Jeanne Fay** has been a community legal worker at Dal Legal Aid for more than 20 years, joining the clinic in 1984. This is an incredible feat all on its own. Jeanne was honoured at an anniversary gathering at the Community “Y” where her accomplishments and selflessness were celebrated with friends and co-workers. Jeanne has been on leave in 2005 to take up a full time teaching load at the School of Social Work. Despite her full time work there, she could not entirely shed her clinic roots and dedication so she, much to our delight, continued to counsel students, clients, community groups and go that extra mile for social justice. She was acclaimed as one of a group of ordinary people doing extraordinary things in recognition of her significant contribution to social justice action on behalf of the low income community in the pursuit of welfare rights.

Those are just a few of the many highlights of the power of the people part of Dalhousie Legal Aid Service.
John Bishop Ballem, Q.C. returned in August 2005 from a voyage to the North Pole on a Russian nuclear icebreaker. He describes the trip as “exhilarating and thought provoking”. The Oilpatch Quartet, an omnibus volume of four of his previously published novels was reissued by Cormorant Books in the fall, 2005.

Honourable Gerald A. Regan, P.C., Q.C. was appointed Chairman of Greenbrier Europe. Mr. Regan has been Chairman of Trenton Works, a subsidiary of Greenbrier, for the past twelve years and will continue in that role in addition to his new duties in Europe. Mr. Regan is Counsel at McInnes Cooper in Halifax. He is a former Premier of Nova Scotia. In the 1980s, he served in the Government of Canada in the positions of Minister of Labour, Secretary of State, Minister of International Trade and Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources.

Ralph M. Medjuck, Q.C. was honoured by Dalhousie University on September 13, 2005 when the Faculty of Architecture and Planning renamed its 97-year old Sexton campus location at 5410 Spring Garden Rd., the “Ralph M. Medjuck Building”. The renovation project was a three-year, $2.5 million essential for the future of the Faculty. Mr. Medjuck also received an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree at the May Convocation ceremonies.

Purdy Crawford, Q.C., Q.C. was named Canada’s Outstanding CEO of the Year by the Caldwell Partners, UBS Canada, CTV and the National Post. Mr. Crawford is Counsel at Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt and serves on numerous boards including several large public companies such as Canadian National, Maple Leaf Food, Manitoba Telecom Services, Oxford Frozen Foods, Seamark Asset Management Ltd., Clearwater Seafood Income Fund, and Foot Locker Inc. He is Chancellor Emeritus of Mount Allison University and Chairman Emeritus of the Atlantic Institute for Market Studies. The Caldwell Partners founded Canada’s Outstanding CEO of the Year Award in 1990. The award recognizes the Chief Executive Officer of a private or public Canadian corporation who has been judged by his or her peers to have boosted Canada’s global competitiveness. Other important criteria include the CEO’s sense of vision, leadership, social responsibility, corporate performance and innovation.

Honourable Constance R. Glube, O.C. received the Order of Nova Scotia at a ceremony at Province House in Halifax on November 1, 2005. The Order of Nova Scotia was established in 2001 and is the highest honour bestowed by the province. The former Chief Justice was also appointed by Justice John H. Gomery to an Advisory Committee, along with other distinguished members to assist with Phase II: the Recommendations Phase of the Commission’s mandate. The Advisory Committee will make recommendations to the Government of Canada, based upon the findings of fact, to prevent mismanagement of sponsorship programs and advertising activities in the future.

Sir Graham Day was appointed a member of the Board of Directors of Jaques Whitford in July 2004. Jacques Whitford is one of North America’s fastest growing multi-disciplinary firms of consulting engineers and environmental scientists. Established in 1972, it is an employee-owned, 1000 person firm with offices throughout the eastern United States, Canada and internationally.

Honourable Peter C. G. Power of Calgary retired as a Justice of The Alberta Court of Queen’s Bench after service of twenty five and a half years. He continues to be a member of the Canada Pension Appeal Board which sits across Canada (with the exception of Quebec). Peter continues to reside in Calgary, Alberta.

Honourable D. Merlin Nunn, Q.C. retired from the Nova Scotia Supreme Court in November 2005 after 23 years of service. Justice Nunn was a senior partner with Cox Downie Nunn and Goodfellow when he was appointed to the Supreme Court in Halifax in 1982. Justice Nunn will continue as the province’s conflict-of-interest commissioner, and will head the public inquiry into the death of Theresa McEvoy.

Professor Bill Charles has joined a panel to review cleanup plans for Sydney’s notorious toxic tar ponds site. Professor Charles has chaired the Nova Scotia Environmental Assessment Board and was president of both the Nova Scotia Environmental Control Council and the Law Reform Commission of Nova Scotia. He also chaired both the Nova Scotia environmental assessment panel for the Burnside waste-to-energy incinerator proposal by Ogden Martin.

Harold H. MacKay, O.C., Q.C. was most recently the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award from the Saskatchewan branch of the Canadian Bar Association in February 2006. In December 2004, Harold was appointed to the Board of Directors of TD Bank. Harold is the senior business law partner at MacPherson Leslie & Tyerman, which has offices in Calgary, Regina and Saskatoon. He chaired the Task Force on the Future of the Canadian Financial Services Sector and served as Clifford Clark Visiting Economist with the Department of Finance of Canada. Mr. MacKay was appointed an Officer of the Order of Canada in 2002.

Peter R. Hayden, Q.C. was welcomed into the Toronto offices of Lang Michener in January 2005. Peter is a respected authority and published writer, who focuses his legal practice on corporate commercial law with an emphasis on foreign investment in Canada.
Senator Donald H. Oliver, Q.C. was presented with the 2006 Human Rights Award by the Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission and Partners Against Racism (PAAR), at a celebration of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, on March 21, 2006. Senator Oliver was recognized for his tireless work improving the quality of life for visible minorities around the world. A lawyer, former president and chair of the Halifax Children’s Aid Society, and founding president and first chair of the Society for the Protection and Preservation of Black Culture in Nova Scotia, Senator Oliver was the province’s third black lawyer and the nation’s first black member of Senate.

‘65
David McD. Mann, Q.C. joined Cox Hanson O’Reilly Matheson as counsel in February 2005. David is a board member of Logistec Corporation, the Conference Board of Canada, the Atlantic Institute for Market Studies, and the Canadian Institute’s Advisory Board to the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, DC. David is also a member of the Council on Foreign Relations’ Independent Task Force on North America that includes participants from Canada, the United States and Mexico.

‘66
Peter Dey, currently the Chairman of Paradigm Capital Inc., was appointed Chair of the Selection Committee for the Financial Executives International Canada 2005 Award Program. Peter was most recently a Partner of Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP specializing in corporate board issues and mergers and acquisitions. Prior to this appointment, Peter was Chairman of Morgan Stanley Canada Limited and involved in developing the Canadian investment banking business and the overall strategic direction of Morgan Stanley in Canada.

Peter G. Green, Q.C. received the 2005 Distinguished Service Award from the Nova Scotia Bar Association. The award was presented on April 27, 2006 and honours Peter’s distinguished and exceptional service to the goals of the CBA over many years.

Robbie Shaw has been appointed to the Board of Directors at the Technical Standards and Safety Authority (TSSA). Mr. Shaw is Managing Director of the $125 million Development Project at the Nova Scotia Community College (NSCC) and a former Vice-President of the NSCC system. Mr. Shaw has held senior executive positions with Clayton Developments Ltd., and Nova Scotia Power Inc. In the public sector, Mr. Shaw has served as Principal Assistant to the Premier of Nova Scotia, Vice President of Dalhousie University and Director of Consultation in the government of Canada’s Ministry of Economic Development. Mr. Shaw is also very active as a leader in a number of community activities and currently serves as Chair of the Pier 21 Society.

‘68
William E. Wells joined the law firm of Cox Hanson O’Reilly Matheson as counsel in 2005. Mr. Wells was the former President and Chief Executive Officer of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro and Churchill Falls (Labrador) Corporation. Mr. Wells has held various appointments over his career, including Chairman and Director of the Fisheries Council of Canada, Director of the Canadian Electricity Association, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the General Hospital Corporation and has recently been appointed Director of Churchill Falls (Labrador) Corporation. Mr. Wells began his law career in St. John’s in 1969 where he established an extensive practice in insurance litigation and labour law.

Joel E. Pink, Q.C. was appointed Second Vice-President of the Nova Scotia Barristers’ Society for 2006-2007.

John A. Young, Q.C. was appointed managing partner of Boyne Clarke effective January 1, 2005. John has served as Chair of the Ethics Committee and Vice Chair of the Discipline Committee of the Nova Scotia and Canadian corporations and is currently Chairman of Cabot Developments Limited of St. John’s, NL. John is active in community affairs, serving as Vice Chair of the QEII Health Sciences Centre Foundation and a member of the cabinet for their “Working Miracles” Capital Campaign.

‘70
Eric Durnford, Q.C. was named Chair of the Lex Mundi Labour & Employment Practice Group, in February 2005. Lex Mundi is a worldwide organization of over 160 independent law firms and provides an exchange of professional information about local and global practice and the development of international law. Eric is a partner in the Labour & Employment Law Group at the Halifax offices of McInnes Cooper and is known throughout Canada as one of the best.

‘71
Peter Milliken, M.P. was re-elected as House of Commons Speaker on April 3, 2006. Peter was first elected Speaker in 2001 and appointed Deputy Speaker in 1997.

James B. Rooney, Q.C. joined the Calgary offices of Fraser Milner Casgrain in September 2005. Jim is well-known for his extensive civil and commercial litigation background, with specialized knowledge in securities litigation, professional liability defense, and oil and gas proceedings.

‘73
John A. McLeish and co-author Roger Oatley are donating the royalties from their just published book, The Oatley McLeish Guide to Brain Injury Litigation to the Head Injury Clinic at Toronto’s St. Michael’s Hospital. Their book is published by Lexis-Nexis Canada Inc. in cooperation with the Law Society of Upper Canada.

‘74
Bruce P. Elman was reappointed as Dean of Law, University of Windsor effective July, 2005. Professor Elman, an expert in constitutional law, has served as Dean since 2000. Dean Elman is Chair of the Ontario Council of Law Deans and a member of the Ad Hoc Ministerial Advisory Group to the Minister of Justice for Canada (2005). Dean Elman is also Chair of the Boards of Legal Assistance of Windsor, Community Legal Aid and University of Windsor Mediation Service.

Malcolm Heins, CEO of the Law Society of Upper Canada, was appointed CEO of the Federation of Law Societies of Canada for a one-year term ending in November 2006.

David Hooley, Q.C. recently received the Distinguished Service Award from the PEI Branch of the Canadian Bar Association “in appreciation for service to the CBA and to the larger community.” The award was presented by fellow Patterson Palmer partner, Ron Profit, in Memorial Hall at the Confederation Centre of the Arts in Charlottetown, PEI. David practises civil litigation and public law at the Charlottetown offices of Patterson Palmer Hunt & Murphy LLP.

Beryl A. MacDonald, Q.C. has been appointed a Justice to the Family Division of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia and took over her new duties in April, 2005. Beryl has served as a board member, secretary and vice-chairwoman of the Continuing Legal Education Society of Nova Scotia and as a member of the disciplinary panel of the Nova Scotia Barristers’ Society. Beryl was appointed a Queen’s Counsel in 2000 and was a partner at Hicks Lemoine for several years.

Honourable Justice Elizabeth Roscoe was honoured as a co-recipient of the Frances Fish Women Lawyers’ Achievement Award by the Nova Scotia Association of Women and the Law in Halifax on October...
18, 2005. After graduating from Dalhousie Law School, Justice Elizabeth Roscoe began her legal career with Blois, Nickerson, Palmet & Bryson (now Blois, Nickerson & Bryson) and practiced for ten years in Halifax. This award recognizes Elizabeth’s dedication, drive and commitment to integrity and as a trailblazer and leader for all women in the legal profession.

‘76
Martin C. Ward was appointed Queen’s Counsel on December 22, 2005. At the time of his appointment Martin was with the Federal Justice Department, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

‘77
Robert L. Barnes, q.c. was appointed a judge of the Federal Court of Canada, on November 23, 2005. On March 3, 2006, Bob was awarded the 2006 Weldon Award for Unselfish Public Service at Dalhousie Law School’s Annual Spring Reception. This annual award, sponsored by the Dalhousie Law School Alumni Association, is to honour a graduate of the Law School for unselfish public service in the community. For more than 20 years Bob has volunteered with the Canadian Red Cross, serving at every level of the organization. Bob served as national president from 2001-04 and more recently volunteered with the International Red Cross.

A. William Moreira, q.c. was elected President of the Canadian Maritime Law Association in September 2005. He has been a Member of the Canadian Maritime Law Association Executive Committee since 1994 and continues his law practice as a partner with Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales. Mr. Moreira also finds time to lecture at Dalhousie Law School and the Canadian Coast Guard College and to write, present and publish dozens of papers on maritime and related law.

‘78
Anne Emery recently signed a three-book publishing contract with ECW Press for the first three books in her series of mystery novels. The first, Sign of the Cross, appeared this spring.

J. Mark McCrea, q.c. C.Med. accepted the position as Director, Legal Services Division for Nova Scotia Department of Justice, in 2005.

‘79
Keith R. Evans was appointed to Queen’s Counsel on December 22, 2005. At the time of his appointment Keith was with KMC Oiltools Canada, Inc., Halifax, Nova Scotia.

‘80
Jean Beeler was appointed to Queen’s Counsel on December 22, 2005. At the time of her appointment Joan was with Weldon McInnis, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Anne S. Derrick, q.c. was appointed a judge of the Provincial and Family Courts of Nova Scotia and was sworn in on September 16, 2005. As a partner in the firm of Beaton Derrick, her legal practice included public interest and equality litigation, criminal law and social justice advocacy.

Mark MacDonald, q.c. has been appointed to the Halifax Port Authority’s Board of Directors for a three year term. Mark has been President & CEO of Bay Ferries Limited, Northumberland Ferries Limited and associated companies since 2003. Prior to his present position, Mark practised law at Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales, where his practice concentrated on shipping and transportation, energy and construction. He was involved in a number of east coast projects including Cohasset, Sable Offshore Energy, Confederation Bridge, Hibernia and Nova Scotia’s Cobequid Pass. Mark was appointed Queen’s Counsel in 1998 and a member of the firm’s partnership board. His community involvement included serving as Chair of the Board of the Sacred Heart School of Halifax between 2000 and 2003.

P.E. James Prentice, q.c. M.P. was appointed Canada’s new Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development and Federal Interlocutor for Metis and Non-Status Indians, in the new Stephen Harper government. Jim joined the Progressive Conservative Party in 1976 and has been active in the party ever since. He ran in the riding of Calgary Centre-North and was elected as a Member of Parliament in 2004.

Dawna J. Ring, q.c. joined the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board in September 2005. Dawna has 24 years of experience in various areas of law, including administrative and regulatory law, and civil litigation.

‘81
Malcolm S. Jeffcock was appointed to Queen’s Counsel on December 22, 2005. At the time of his appointment Malcolm was with Nova Scotia Legal Aid, Truro, Nova Scotia.

Bruce A. Marchand assumed leadership of the Venture Capital Team at Patterson Palmer in Halifax. He is also a Governor of the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council (APEC), a Judge and Governor of the Junior Achievement Nova Scotia Business Hall of Fame, Chair of the Natural Resources and Energy Section, Canadian Bar Association, Nova Scotia, and an active member of several other professional and business organizations.

Marci Lin Melvin was appointed to Queen’s Counsel on December 22, 2005. At the time of her appointment Marci was with Nova Scotia Legal Aid, Yarmouth, Nova Scotia.

Geoff Plant, q.c. joined the Vancouver offices of Heenan Blaikie in October 2005, as a partner. Previously, Geoff spent a decade in public service as a member of the British Columbia legislature representing the electoral district of Richmond-Steveston, including service as Attorney General and Minister responsible for Treaty Negotiations from 2001 to June, 2005. While in government, Geoff was the Chair of the Legislative Review Committee of Cabinet and oversaw the creation of the Citizens’ Assembly on Electoral Reform.

‘82
Jamie S. Campbell was appointed a judge of the Provincial and Family Courts of Nova Scotia and was sworn in on September 16, 2005. Jamie was most recently a partner in the Halifax offices of Cox Hanson O’Reilly Matheson. He specialized in employment and labour relations, municipal and planning law and legislative practices.

Robert Lehodey, q.c. joined the Calgary offices of Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP as a partner in its National Business Law Department in March 2006.

Dianne Pothier was honoured as a co-recipient of the Frances Fish Women Lawyers’ Achievement Award by the Nova Scotia Association of Women and the Law in Halifax on October 18, 2005. Professor Pothier has been a pioneer for the rights of women with disabilities, not only in Nova Scotia, but across Canada. Her ground-breaking contributions as a litigator, educator and mentor have been inspirational for many women in the country.
John MacL. Rogers, Q.C. was recently appointed to the Board of Directors of the Halifax Chamber of Commerce as Senior Vice Chair 2006-2007. John is currently managing partner of Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales in Halifax, practicing in the areas of insurance, civil, commercial, professional liability and personal injury litigation. In the 2006 Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory, John was recognized as a “leading practitioner in the practice area of personal injury”. John is also Director of the IWK Health Centre 2006-2008, a member of the Canadian Bar Association, Nova Scotia Barristers’ Society, Canadian Defence Lawyers and Defence Research Institute. John was appointed Queen’s Counsel in 2002.

Deborah K. Smith was appointed Associate Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia in March 2005.

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David G. Coles was appointed to Queen’s Council on December 22, 2005. At the time of his appointment David was with Boyne Clarke, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.

John Fitzpatrick was appointed Chair of the Rogers Atlantic Radio Advisory Board in September 2005. John is currently a partner at Boyne Clarke in Dartmouth, NS. He has over twenty years in private law practice, including fourteen years as a partner at three prominent Nova Scotia law firms. As co-Chair of the 2000 Federal Election Campaign in Nova Scotia for the Liberal Party of Canada, John has been an active member of the Federal and Provincial Party for years. In addition to his political activities, John is committed to serving his community. He is a member of a number of Boards, including Saint Mary’s University and the ABC Canada Literacy Foundation, and has served as the Campaign Executive for the 2004 Metropolitan Halifax United Way Campaign. On February 3, 2006 John was awarded the 2005 Community Service Award from the Nova Scotia Branch of the Canadian Bar Association. This award honours John’s valuable contribution and volunteer commitment to our community over many years.

Donald C. Murray, Q.C. had an outstanding performance which led to a silver medal finish at the Adult Figure Skating Championships held in Ottawa on April 6 to 8, 2006. Don has been skating for a mere six years and practises four to five times a week, as long as his busy court schedule allows it. In 2004 Don took gold for a first place finish in Skate Cape Breton’s Adult Invitational.

James Musgrave was appointed to Queen’s Counsel on December 22, 2005. At the time of his appointment Jim was with Cox Hanson O’Reilly Matheson, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

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Gavin Giles, Q.C. joined the law firm of Melnones Cooper as partner in March 2005. Gavin is the Chief Adjudicator of the Small Claims Court of Nova Scotia, serves on the Nova Scotia Barristers’ Society Administration of Justice and Practice Assistance Committees, and is Chair of its Supreme Court Liaison Sub-Committee (Civil Litigation). Gavin is an active member of the community; he was President of the Charitable Irish Society of Halifax, Co-Chair of the 2001 and Chair of the 2002 Red Cross Humanitarian Awards Dinner. Gavin is a regular participant in the Atlantic Canada MS Bike Tour and the Mount Washington Bicycle Hill Climb.

Edward A. Gores was appointed to Queen’s Counsel on December 22, 2005. At the time of his appointment Edward was with Nova Scotia Department of Justice, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Ian C. Holloway has become the first dean of a law school, other than Dalhousie Law School, to be appointed a Nova Scotia Queen’s Counsel. The designation was granted on December 22, 2005. Ian is currently Dean of the Faculty of Law at the University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario.

Janet E. McMurtry has been appointed a judge of the Saskatchewan Court of Queen’s Bench. Janet was a partner with the firm Wolosyln and Company. She was appointed to the Provincial Court of Saskatchewan in 1994. Janet is a member of the Bar Bench Liaison Committee for the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, Family Division. In the past she has been a member of the Ad Hoc Committee of Bar Council on the Unified Family Court, the Nova Scotia Court Structure Taskforce and the Law Reform Commission of Nova Scotia. She is the author of several legal publications and a frequent lecturer.

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Theresa M. Forgeron was appointed a judge of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, Family Division. Prior to her appointment, Theresa was a partner with the firm of H.F. MacIntyre and Associates, where she practised primarily in litigation and family law.

Lynn Reierson was appointed to Queen’s Council on December 22, 2005. At the time of her appointment Lynn was with the firm of Reierson Schurman, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Thomas A. Sides was appointed as partner at the Edmonton offices of Fraser Milner Casgrain, in March, 2005. Tom’s preferred areas of practice include Information Technology, Telecommunications, and Intellectual Property.
Andrew Wilkinson joined the Vancouver offices of McCarthy Tétrault LLP as a partner in the firm’s litigation group. Andrew, a physician and lawyer, previously served as Deputy Minister of the British Columbia Ministry of Economic Development.

Robert Power joined Blake Cassels & Gradydon LLP as Co-chair of the National Energy Group. He has been recognized by Lexpert as a leading energy lawyer and as one of the Top 500 Lawyers in Canada. Bob is also actively involved in his community. He was past chair of the Ontario Trillium Foundation (Canada’s largest foundation), a board member of the Toronto Blue Jays Foundation, and a governor of the Canadian Unity Council. He recently acted as an international convenor for the International Organization for standardization, facilitating negotiation of ISO 1400 standards among ISO nations.

Chip Sutherland was appointed a member of the Rogers Atlantic Radio Advisory Board in September 2005. Chip has been a member of the firm Patterson Palmer (now McInnes Cooper) since 1990 and is a nationally recognized expert in entertainment and media law. Chip has represented many well-known musicians from Atlantic Canada in addition to being nationally recognized for his work as the architect of the Radio Starmaker Fund. His entertainment practice also extends to television, where he has represented such diverse projects as “Trailer Park Boys” and the “Junos Awards.”

Tracy-Anne McPhee was elected President of the Federation of Law Societies on February 20, 2006. The Federation of Law Societies is the umbrella group for 14 law societies in Canada’s provinces and territories. Tracy-Anne is a busy sole practitioner in Whitehorse. She is President of the Law Society of Yukon and a former Dalhousie Law Alumni Association branch president for the Northwest Territories, Yukon and Nunavut.

Gavin S. Fitch joined the Calgary offices of McLennan Ross LLP as an associate in September 2005. Formerly of Lawson Lundell LLP, Gavin will practice in commercial litigation, energy, environmental and regulatory law.

J. Andrew Fraser joined the Halifax offices of Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales as partner in December 2005. Andrew practiced law in Toronto and Halifax for over 10 years and brings his strong experience in litigation, arbitration and mediation to the firm’s litigation group. Andrew is a member of the Nova Scotia and Ontario Bars. He is active in community affairs, serving on the Board of the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Nova Scotia and the Dalhousie University Alumni Board.

Robert Hanf assumed his new role as General Counsel for Emera Inc., in March 2005. Bob is a member of the Canadian and American Bar Associations, the Nova Scotia Barrister’s Society, the Law Society of Alberta, the Canadian Corporate Counsel Association, and the Canadian Petroleum Law Foundation. He is also Past Chairman of the Canadian Bar Association – Business Law Section, Calgary. He has served as the Vice President of the Board of Directors for the Calgary Opera Association; and a Director of the Duke of Edinburgh Awards Alberta Division.

Honourable Peter G. MacKay, Central Nova Scotia MP and deputy leader of the Conservative Party of Canada, has become one of 27 cabinet ministers in the new Stephen Harper government. Peter was named Canada’s new Foreign Affairs Minister and Minister responsible for the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA). Peter was the last leader of the federal Progressive Conservative (PC) Party and helped merge that party with the Canadian Alliance to create the new Conservative Party of Canada. Peter carries on a family tradition by being sworn in to cabinet, as his father, Elmer MacKay, was Minister of Regional Economic Expansion in the government of former Prime Minister Joe Clark (1979-80).

Erroll Treslan and his wife Elaine are pleased to announce the birth of their third child, Thor Benjamin Treslan, on July 8, 2005 at Owen Sound, Ontario. Erroll carries on a general litigation practice with the firm of Kirby, Robinson, Treslan & Conlan in Owen Sound and can be reached at: etreslan@owensoundlawyers.com.
Maureen McTeer (LL.M. ’93), lawyer and activist, published her memoir entitled, In My Own Name, in October 2004. Maureen is a member of numerous boards and committees and has been an advocate of women’s and children’s rights. Maureen lives in Ottawa and Calgary with her husband, the Rt. Hon. Joe Clark.

Francis Botchway (LL.M. ’94), a lecturer from the Warwick Law School, Coventry UK, was chosen as the winner of the Willoughby Prize 2004 for his article on “Privatisation and State Control — the Case of the Ashanti Goldfields Company” and for his co-editorship of the special issue on energy and natural resources in Africa, in which the article appeared. The Willoughby Prize, in memory of Geoffrey Willoughby, renowned energy practitioner and partner of Herbert Smith, is awarded annually for the outstanding article published in the Journal of Energy and Natural Resources Law.

Jurgen W. Feldschmid joined the firm of Duboff Edwards Haight & Schachter in September 2005. As a partner, Jurgen will continue his litigation practice in the areas of family, commercial, and estate law, as well as administrative law, particularly in the energy utility sector. Jurgen appears before all trial and appellate court levels in Manitoba, the Federal Court of Canada, and the Federal Court of Appeal. He also appears before various administrative tribunals, including the Manitoba Public Utilities Board. As a volunteer, Jurgen serves on the boards of Ten Ten Sinclair Housing and St. Paul’s High School.

Robin Gogan of the law firm Sampson McDougall, Sydney, Nova Scotia has been appointed to the Cape Breton Partnership Board. The board’s mandate is to instill ownership, confidence and pride to enhance prosperity in Cape Breton and the Strait Region. Robin is also the Chair of Sydney YMCA, a director with the YMCA Enterprise Center Advisory Board, a member of the Art Gallery of Nova Scotia, and a member of Sydney Optimum Society.

John MacDonell has taken a leave of absence from his practice at Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales to serve as Chief of Staff to the Honourable Peter MacKay, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency, in Ottawa.

Charles Thompson joined Burchell MacDougall in their Truro office in February 2005. His practice areas include civil litigation, estates & trusts, employment, municipal, and corporate & commercial law.

Catriona L. Thomas has been appointed a partner at Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales in March 2005. Candace practices in the areas of corporate/commercial law. She is also Vice-Chair of the Canadian Bar Association (NS) Legislation and Law Reform Committee and a member of the Law Society of Upper Canada.

Belinda A. Bain joined the Toronto offices of Gowling, Latleir Henderson LLP as partner in February 2005. Belinda’s practice areas include insurance and professional liability, and employment and labour law.

Sheree L. Conlon joined the law firm of Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales in March 2005 as partner, specializing in civil litigation. Sheree is a member of Canadian Defence Lawyers and the Defence Research Institute. Sheree is also a part-time faculty member at Dalhousie Law School and President of Halifax’s Metro Community Housing Association.

Lisa M. Gallivan became a partner at Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales in March 2005. Lisa practices in all aspects of labour relations and employment law including litigation, human rights complaints, grievance arbitration and occupational health and safety. Lisa also lectures in the department of business administration at Mount Saint Vincent University.

Christa M. Hellstrom joined the Halifax offices of Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales, as partner in March 2006. Christa’s practice areas include litigation, insurance, and corporate restructuring and insolvency.

William R. McLean was named a partner in the Toronto offices of Borden Ladner Gervais in March 2005. William’s areas of practice include corporate and commercial law, with an emphasis on mergers and acquisitions, corporate governance and shareholder agreements matters, drafting commercial agreements, international project development and corporate finance and taxation matters. William is also counsel to energy markets clients in generation, distribution and retail electricity, gas and alternative energy businesses and provides advice on regulatory issues and new legislation.

C. Patricia Mitchell joined the Halifax offices of Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales, as partner in March 2006. Patricia’s practice areas include insurance and litigation.

David A. Seville was appointed a partner in the Toronto offices of Torys LLP, in April 2005. David practises in the areas of corporate finance, corporate/commercial, mergers and acquisitions and securities.

Patrick Fitzgerald joined the Halifax offices of Cox Hanson O’Reilly Matheson LLP as a partner in the firm’s Technology and Intellectual Property Practice Group. Patrick is frequently called upon to advise and assist clients of all sizes including start-ups and established public companies on all aspects of business law, technology law, e-business law and intellectual property law. Patrick is one of the firm’s registered trade-mark agents.

Danielle R. Joel has joined Borden Ladner Gervais LLP. Danielle, previously with Goodman and Carr LLP, will practice commercial litigation, and estate and trust litigation at the Toronto offices of BLG.
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Arnold Ceballos, along with colleague Tapas K. Pain, merged their respective law firms, in February 2006. Their intellectual property firm, Pain & Ceballos LLP opened a new office in Vaughan, Ontario.

Paul Falvo and his wife Christa were overjoyed in June 2005 with the birth of their daughter, Juniper. In celebration, the happy threesome rode the rails from Edmonton to Halifax and back, reuniting with friends and family along the way. To ensure Juniper has a clean, green world to grow up in, Paul opened the Sierra Legal Defence Fund’s Yellowknife office in 2006. Sierra Legal Defence Fund is dedicated to enforcing and strengthening the laws that safeguard our environment, wildlife and public health. Paul, along with Vancouver-based counsel will be tackling the Mackenzie Gas Project. [www.sierralegal.org](http://www.sierralegal.org)

Sean Foreman was honoured by the Halifax branch of the Canadian Junior Chamber International (JCI Canada) when he received the 2005 Outstanding Young Canadian award for leadership for “his demonstrated courage and leadership in working to combat the remains of homophobia and discrimination in the legal profession and our community.” Sean will compete at the national level for the Outstanding Young Canadian honour. Sean is currently an associate with the Halifax firm of Wickwire Holm.

Jason Fung took one year off of his legal career in 1999 to tour with an acid jazz / latin / funk band called Knifey Moloko, which was nominated for two East Coast Music Awards (jazz and instrumental categories). Jason continues to play with jazz ensembles and alternative rock bands in the Edmonton area. Since his touring days, he has returned to Edmonton. Jason received his call to the Alberta Bar in 2000 and to the Law Society of England and Wales in 2006. Jason is a lawyer with Alberta Justice and handles matters in the areas of intellectual property, technology law, cyberlaw, corporate / commercial matters, administrative law, and regulatory law. In 2005, Jason was invited by the United Nations Development Programme to provide volunteer expert legal advice to Vietnam on the development of corporate and commercial legislation. The proposed legislation would govern all investment and enterprise activities taking place in Vietnam. Recently, Jason has been granted a one year’s leave of absence, beginning October 2006, during which he will be traveling Southeast Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Eastern Europe, Russia, and China. If there are any Dalhousie graduates who would like to meet up with Jason overseas then they should drop him a line.

James G. Rossiter received the 2005 Zoe Odei Young Lawyers Award from the Nova Scotia Branch of the Canadian Bar Association. The award was presented on February 3, 2006 and honours Jim’s exceptional service to the CBA and volunteer commitment to our community.

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Sarah M. Campbell received the Zoe Odei Associate Leadership Award in June 2005. This award is presented annually to an associate with Patterson Palmer who has shown outstanding leadership qualities including extraordinary client service, community involvement and new client or practice area development.


**Gregory Moores**, formerly of Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP (Calgary) and Moores, Andrews, Collins (Bay Roberts, Nfld.) joined Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales (St. John’s, Nfld.) as an associate in November 2005.

Maggie (Stevenson) and Owen Barnhill welcomed Christopher James to the family on August 26, 2005. Living in Bedford, NS, Maggie has retired from practising law to raise Christopher and big brother Patrick.

Kathleen T. Stokes joined the labour department of the Sudbury-based firm of Weaver Simmons in March 2005.

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Natalie J. Gouthro joined the firm of Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP and is a partner in the firm’s high tech and business law group, working from the newly formed Gowlings Kanata Technology Law Office.
Jason B. Kohn and wife Carol are very happy to announce the birth of Samantha Brooke Kohn at 7:36 pm on December 7, 2005. She weighed in at a solid 8 lbs. 10 ozs. Mom and baby (and Dad) are doing well.

Richard McDerby joined the Vancouver offices of Blake, Cassels & Graydon, in June 2005. Richard’s areas of practice include business, mergers and acquisitions, information technology, private equity and venture capital, and infrastructure.

Steve Szentesi joined the Vancouver offices of Lang Michner LLP as an associate in 2006. Steve’s practice areas include business, competition & antitrust, and international trade.

Tina Piper won a prestigious $20,000 leadership and public policy fellowship. The Action Canada fellowship is a 10-month fellowship won by 15 other young Canadians, including child poverty activist and Nobel peace prize nominee Craig Kielburger of Toronto. Tina is also a Rhodes Scholar and clerked for Supreme Court of Canada Chief Justice Beverley McLachlin.

Stephanie Atkinson joined the firm of Burchell MacDougall in Halifax in February 2005. Stephanie’s areas of practice include litigation, administrative law, and wills & trusts.

Anastasia Makrigiannis joined the firm of Burchell Hayman Parish in November 2005 as an associate. Anastasia’s career in law began even before she went to law school. In 1998, Anastasia completed the two-year Legal Assistant program offered at the N.S.C.C. - I.W. Akerley Campus. While taking the program, Anastasia completed several work terms as a legal researcher and as a legal assistant for the Nova Scotia government and for private practice law firms. Immediately upon completing the program, Anastasia joined Burchells working initially as a legal secretary and then as a paralegal in the firm’s litigation department until she began law school. In 2004, Anastasia commenced her articles at Burchells.

Naiomi Metallic has accepted a clerkship with Justice Michel Bastarache of the Supreme Court of Canada commencing in May 2006. Naiomi will return to the firm of Burchell Hayman Parish in June 2007 to complete her articles.

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Aaron Zive, B.Sc., L.L.B., Q.C., K.S.J., passed away on Saturday, February 26, 2005, at the age of 98. Aaron was born in Halifax on June 15, 1906. He married Bernice Shapiro of Montreal, Quebec in 1943. He was educated at Halifax County Academy and Dalhousie University, graduating with a B.Sc. in 1929 and an LL.B. in 1933. Aaron was later appointed a Queen’s Counsel. He was a charter member of the Tau Epsilon Phi Fraternity at Dalhousie University. Following graduation, Aaron practised law in Halifax until 1941, at which time he joined the RCAF and served with the Judge Advocate Branch until the end of the Second World War, leaving the service as a Flight Lieutenant in 1945. Aaron joined the Legal Branch of War Assets Corporation in Montreal, Quebec in 1945 and shortly after returned to Halifax to private practice and business. Aaron is survived by his sons Gordon Peter Zive and Terry George Zive; daughter, Donna Ruth (Zive) Fredericks; and grandchildren, Adam, Sarah, Sam, Jessica, and Stephanie.

Douglas Brent “Doug” Crease, 92, passed away surrounded by his family on March 18, 2005, on his 61st wedding anniversary. Doug was the beloved husband of Marion Crease (Prouse); father to Jane Falconer (John), David Crease, Robert Crease (Joanne), and Linda Horne (Jim). He was grandfather to Peter Falconer, Katherine and Maggie Horne. Doug was a graduate of Dalhousie University receiving his B.A. in 1934 and his LL.B. in 1937. Doug was also a veteran of the Second World War, having served overseas in Holland.

Charles Cyril Miller, 95, passed away at home on March 5, 2005. Charlie graduated from Sydney Academy, North Sydney, followed by degrees from Dalhousie University in Arts, Commerce and Law, completing his studies in 1938. Charlie returned to North Sydney to practise law. Charlie soon found himself managing and editing the North Sydney Herald. In 1964 Charlie returned to studies at Laval University in Quebec where he studied the spoken French language. He taught conversational French in North Sydney and remained attached to the French language until his passing. He is survived by his wife of 66 years Faye (Wolfson) and by his two sons, David (Aida Arnold) and Peter (Rochele Pilz) and his grandchildren, David Mark and Jennifer. He was predeceased by his sister, Reta (Dr. Abe) Gaum. Charlie worked every day until age 86.

Leonard Arthur Kitz, Q.C., passed away on January 30, 2006. Leonard was born in Halifax on April 9, 1916 to Harry and Yetta (Lesser) Kitz. He graduated with an LL.B. from Dalhousie Law School. In 1939, Leonard joined the army. He served in Italy as a staff officer and in Holland. In 1945, he married Dr. Alice Duff Findlay, whom he had met in Britain. On his return from war, Leonard founded his own law firm on Granville Street in Halifax. In 1947 he was joined by Robert Matheson and built a major law firm known as Kitz and Matheson, and later as Patterson Kitz. Leonard was president of the Nova Scotia Barristers’ Society 1968-69. He worked hard for the modernization of his city and its institutions, as an alderman, City of Halifax 1948-1955, and Mayor of the City 1955-1957. Leonard also served on the Board of the Technical University of Nova Scotia 1973-81, and the University of King’s College 1983-87, which granted him an honorary doctorate in 1980. Leonard was predeceased by his first wife in 1969 and is survived by his second wife, Janet (Brownlee) Kitz, whom he married in 1971. Leonard is also survived by his children, Hilar (Steven Janus), John (Ann Colville), and Alan (Meredith Annett); and grandchildren, Samuel, Nicholas (Jennie) and Jeremy Singer, Alex, Robert, Hilar, Alice and Duff Kitz.

George Charles Piercey, C.M.M., E.D., C.D., L.D.D. (Hon), Q.C., Brigadier-General (Ret’d), 85, passed away on October 31, 2005 in Halifax. George was born in Armdale, Halifax Co., and was the youngest child of William D. and Annie M. (Forbes) Piercey. George received his Bachelor of Commerce, Arts and Law degrees from Dalhousie University between 1938-1941. In 1939, while a student at Dalhousie, he was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the 1st Halifax-Dartmouth Coast Regiment, Royal Canadian Artillery “RCA”. George served as Company Commander in the Dalhousie-Kings COTC. Following graduation from Law School he went on active service with the RCA. After the war George returned home and rejoined the Militia with the rank of Major. George was promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel, and in 1960 was promoted to Brigadier-General. After his war service George served as director and legal counsel of Piercey Supplies and Piercey Investors Limited. In 1959, George entered the former Halifax law firm of Daley, Black, Moreira & Piercey as a partner. In 1977, he retired from the firm to assume responsibilities as President of Nova Scotia Savings and Loan Company, after serving for many years on its Board of Directors. In 1979, George took over the duties of President of Piercey Investors and was Chairman of the Board at the time of his death. George was a strong supporter of Dalhousie University and served 17 years on the Board of Governors and two years as its Chairman. In 1995, the University awarded him an Honorary Doctorate of Laws degree and in the same year he received the University’s Outstanding Alumni Award. George is survived by his wife of 59 years, Geraldine (Peart); children, Bill (Denise Wedge), Cathy (Dr. Ken Gregoire), Randy (Sandra Beanlands) and Charles (Susan Cromwell); grandchildren, Jill, Scott, Julie, Todd, Candice, Matthew and William; and sister, Joyce (Downey) Jones.

Allan Hawkins Butler passed away on October 2, 2005, at the age of 81. Allan was the son of the late Allan M. Butler and Gertrude May Hawkins. Allan was the beloved husband of Helen (Robertson) for 50 years; cherished father of Jane (Michael Donovan) and the late Allan James; and much loved grandad of Kayleigh and Matthew Donovan. Allan leaves to mourn his brother David (Mary Gidney) and sister Carolyn (Warren Jennings). After graduating from Dalhousie Law School, Allan worked for Price Waterhouse as a tax specialist for 32 years.

Kendall James Kenney, Q.C. passed away on June 9, 2005, in Halifax, at the age of 83. Formerly from Bridgewater, Kendall was born in New Germany on April 1, 1922. He entered pre-law at Acadia University in 1942, graduated from Dalhousie Law School in 1947, and articled with Burchell-Smith in Halifax and C.H. Crouse in Bridgewater. In 1949, he set up private practice in Bridgewater, taking over the practice of Arthur Thurlow. In 1970, Kendall began taking on partners and articling clerks to his firm until he retired in 1994. He was appointed Queen’s Counsel during the 1960s and served on the Board of Governors of Acadia University and various board committees. Kendall was a faithful friend and servant of his community. He served South Shore Regional Hospital as board member and then as solicitor. He served on the Children’s Aid Society, Bridgewater School Board, Bridgewater Board of Trade, and the Bridgewater Downtown Business Association. He was an accomplished
musician, playing the violin and the piano since he was a child and was a tenor in the South Shore Chorale. Kendall will be greatly missed.

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J. Stewart Drury, q.c., died at the Dartmouth General Hospital on June 8, 2006. Born in Maccan in 1922, he was the eldest son of Dr. David and Evelyn (Bishop) Drury. He received his B.A. from Mount Allison University, where he played rugby for the varsity team, obtained a commission as a second lieutenant, and become adjutant in the Mount Allison Canadian Officers Training Corps. Stewart served for three and a half years in the navy during the Second World War. After receiving his L.L.B. from Dalhousie Law School in 1948, Stewart was admitted to the bar and opened his own office in Dartmouth. Robert Huestis later joined him and the firm became known as Drury Huestis. Over the next 31 years, the name of the firm changed as others joined. While practicing law in Dartmouth, Stewart was the city solicitor for 12 years. He was a member of the Dartmouth School Board for six years, three of which he was chairman, and this at a time when the number of schools under the Board’s responsibility increased from seven to 27. He was later appointed Chairman of the Nova Scotia Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities, where he served for 12 and a half years. Stewart was predeceased by daughters, Margaret (1975) and Allison Canadian Officers’ Training Corps. Stewart served as a second lieutenant, and then joined the law firm of Drury. He received his B.A. from Mount Allison University, where he played rugby for the varsity team, obtained a commission as a second lieutenant, and become adjutant in the Mount Allison Canadian Officers Training Corps. Stewart served for three and a half years in the navy during the Second World War. After receiving his L.L.B. from Dalhousie Law School in 1948, Stewart was admitted to the bar and opened his own office in Dartmouth. Robert Huestis later joined him and the firm became known as Drury Huestis. Over the next 31 years, the name of the firm changed as others joined. While practicing law in Dartmouth, Stewart was the city solicitor for 12 years. He was a member of the Dartmouth School Board for six years, three of which he was chairman, and this at a time when the number of schools under the Board’s responsibility increased from seven to 27. He was later appointed Chairman of the Nova Scotia Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities, where he served for 12 and a half years. Stewart was predeceased by daughters, Margaret (1975) and Elizabeth (1998). Stewart gave freely.

David Mills Armstrong, q.c. 81, of Granville Beach, Annapolis Co., passed away at home on March 23, 2005. David was a veteran of the Second World War, having served overseas with the Winnipeg Light Infantry. Following his military service, David worked with the Department of Justice in Ottawa before returning home to Annapolis County, where he became the Executive Director of the Children’s Aid Society for Annapolis County for 7 years. David practised law with his son, John, from 1981 up until his passing. David was an avid gardener and orchardist, well-known for many different varieties of peaches. He was a member of many boards and was the chairman of the Board of the Annapolis General Hospital for 19 years. David was a devoted and loving husband, father, grandfather, and brother. He is survived by his wife, Margaret “Peggy” (Hatt); sons, John (Mary) and Douglas (Sarah); daughters Jane (Doug) Glenen and Laurie (Allan) Cooper; 9 grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; brother Donald; sisters Elizabeth Chisholm and Dorothy (Robert) Slaunwhite.

R. Perry Beadon passed away on April 24, 2005, in his 84th year, at the North York General Hospital. Perry was born in Esher, England, came to Canada as a young man, but returned for his schooling. He served in the Royal Canadian Artillery during WWII and later attended Dalhouse Law and Harvard Business Schools. After a long and distinguished career at Procter and Gamble, Perry enjoyed many happy years of retirement in Muskoka and on Hilton Head Island. Perry’s wit and wisdom will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

George S. Hawkins died on September 24, 2005, in Halifax. He was born at Lake Egmont, Nova Scotia on July 16, 1924. George was the brother of Edith (William Mingo); husband of Nancy (Moir, d. 1978); father of George (Anne, d.), Robert (Margaret), Sean, Michael (Kathryn), and Nancy; grandfather of Stephanie, Amy, Christie, Nicholas, Matthew, Alexandria, and Hannah. George died of cancer, that was only detected after a series of small strokes at the end of August. He will be missed by his family, all of whom were able to be with him in his last days. He was, among many other things in his life, a lawyer, businessman, and political activist. George experienced success in these fields. He had a fine appreciation of food and a highly developed sense of style, which ranged from his personal dress, to his love of art, architecture and furnishings. A vibrant man, in his early years, he loved sailing (a taste he acquired during his service in the Royal Canadian Navy where he served in the Volunteer Reserve as a Sub-Lieutenant during the Second World War) but in later decades preferred running and swimming. A resident of Halifax for over half a century, George was a strong supporter of many of its public institutions, including Neptune Theatre (of which he was a Life Director) and the Halifax Infirmary. In later years, he took a particular interest in tracing the ancestry of his father’s family back to Lawrentown, and at the end of his life he chose to be buried not far from where his father had begun his life, ever close to the ocean he so enjoyed yet not far from the city that was his home.

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Francis (Frank) John Fleming, q.c. beloved husband of Marguerite Fleming of Calgary, passed away on May 14, 2005, at the age of 84. Frank was born in Michel, British Columbia and was raised in Blairmore, Alberta. He attended Notre Dame College in Wilcox, Saskatchewan and graduated from Dalhousie Law School in 1949. Frank was the city solicitor in Calgary and then joined the law firm of Sam Helman, which eventually became Fleming Kambeitz. Frank’s legal career spanned over fifty years and he would be seen at the office up until the day he was admitted to the hospital. Besides his loving wife of 51 years, Frank will be remembered and dearly missed by his son Denis (Wendy) Fleming; his daughters Shauna (Paul) Shaw, Maureen (Gregg) Elliot, and Monica (Rob) Marchuk; ten grandchildren, Ryan, Christopher, Kathleen, Carolyn, Heather, Liam, Sean, Colleen, Aubrey, and Kaya; and great-granddaughter Brooklyn. Frank is also survived by his brother the Rev. Denis Fleming; his sister Carlotta (Ed) Blue; and many nieces and nephews. In memory of Frank Fleming, a tree will be planted at Fish Creek Provincial Park.
during his whole career. In the early years of his practice, Bill was known as one of the ablest civil litigators in the province. Bill was a leader within his firm, serving as managing partner for many years, and was the driving force behind the merger that led to the formation of Atlantic Canada’s first regional and largest law firm. Bill also applied his considerable talent to promoting legal education and research and advocating on behalf of low income Nova Scotians. He was instrumental in establishing the Law Foundation of Nova Scotia. Bill was nationally recognized as one of the founders of legal aid in Nova Scotia. Bill’s professional career included significant contributions to local and national law associations and committees. He served as president of the Nova Scotia Barristers’ Society and as a member on the Executive of the Canadian Bar Association, but did not restrict his activities to law. He was recognized as a significant and influential force in both the local and national business communities. He helped to put Halifax on the map as one of the world’s leading ports as a long-time member and chair of the Halifax-Dartmouth Port Commission. For many years he was counsel to the Provincial Government’s industrial development program which attracted many businesses to Nova Scotia, including Michelin Tire. Bill also served as a trusted business advisor to many companies in Nova Scotia including Canning Investment Corporation, Crossley Carpet Mills Limited, The Maritime Life Assurance Company, Minas Basin Pulp and Power Company Limited, Oxford Frozen Foods Limited, The Great Eastern Corporation, Maritime Tel & Tel, Maritime Steel and Foundries Limited, National Sea Products Limited and Bowater Mersey Paper Company Limited, to name a few. In his book, *Titans*, Peter C. Newman described Bill Mingo as “the lawyer with the wonderful white mutton-chop whiskers who is the Halifax establishment’s unofficial gatekeeper.” Bill’s reputation as a wise business counsel was recognized throughout the Canadian business community where his list of directorships reads like a who’s who of Canadian business: the Royal Bank of Canada, Bank of Canada, Onex Corporation, Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada and Petrofina Canada Inc., just to name a few. Bill was an active supporter of numerous educational institutions, particularly Saint Mary’s and Dalhousie Universities, from which he received honorary Doctors of Laws in 1981 and 1998 respectively. He served for many years as a member of the Advisory Board of Dalhousie University Business School as well as a trustee for the Forum for Young Canadians. He served as Atlantic Chair of the Dalhousie Capital Ideas Campaign and played a critical role in raising funds for the Purdy Crawford Chair in Business Law at Dalhousie Law School. He gave untold time and energy to Dalhousie Law School and provided tremendous support through its Legal Aid Clinic and to its fundraising initiatives. In addition, he found time to chair the Saint Mary’s University Capital Campaign. Bill maintained a keen interest in politics and was an active member of the National Treasury Committee and the National Executive Committee of the Liberal Party of Canada. During his exceptional career, Bill received many honours and awards but he was particularly proud that within the last year he was appointed to the Order of Canada, was inducted into the Nova Scotia Business Hall of Fame and was designated Northwood Foundation Senior of the Year. Bill is survived by his wife of 52 years, Edith Peppard (Hawkins); his children, Sarah Margaret (Jean Pierre Camus), James Archibald (Jill Jeffery), Johanna Elizabeth, Nancy Sabina ( Spicer Overgaard-Thomsen), and Charles Hawkins; and grandchildren, Tristan and Sebastien Camus, Alexa and Iain Mingo, and Anne, Simon and Claire Overgard-Thomsen. Bill is also survived by his brother, Peter (Pat) Mingo.

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J. Earl Feener, Q.C., 84, of Halifax, passed away on April 9, 2006. Born in Liverpool, NS, he was a son of the late Frank and Martha (Wagner) Feener. During the Second World War, Earl was a pilot in the Royal Canadian Air Force, serving overseas for three and a half years. After the war he attended Dalhousie University, receiving his Bachelor of Laws degree, along with the University Medal in Law. Earl joined the Eastern Trust Company in 1971, working for the company and its successors for 32 years, retiring in 1983. In his early years, he actively participated in several sports and was an avid fisherman and hunter. Earl was the last surviving member of his immediate family, having been predeceased by sisters, Helen Holloway and Dolly MacDonald; brothers, Harris, Maurice and Arthur. He will be greatly missed by his surviving nieces and nephews, and his brother-in-law, Bill MacDonald.

The Honourable Judge Hugh J. MacPherson, 89, died in St. Andrews on May 21, 2005. Hugh was born at the “Big Brook,” Dunmore, Antigonish Co. on March 6, 1916. He graduated from St. Francis Xavier University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1938. Hugh worked in the mines of northern Quebec and Ontario before enlisting in the Royal Canadian Air Force in 1942. During the Second World War, he served in the Royal Canadian Air Force. Following the war, Hugh began his career in law. He and his wife Jean graduated from Dalhousie Law School and were admitted to the bar in July, 1950. They articleed with J.J. Powell, Halifax and then established their law firm, MacPherson & MacPherson in Antigonish. For several years, Hugh was assistant clerk in the House of Assembly under Premier Angus L. MacDonald. Following this term, he served as a Crown Attorney in Antigonish while continuing to practise law with his wife Jean. On February 16, 1967 he was called to the bench by Justice Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau. Hugh served as County Court Judge in the counties of Antigonish, Inverness and Guysborough. He retired from the bench on his 75th birthday in 1991. Hugh MacPherson (known as “Judge Hughie”) was a highly respected and much loved judge, coach, athlete, historian and genealogist. Hugh’s dedication to his alma mater was remarkable until the end of his days. He was a past member of the Board of Governors at St. Francis Xavier University and he was inducted into its Hall of Thought in 1999.

Weldon C. Matthews, Q.C. of Halifax, passed away on Tuesday, September 20, 2005. Weldon was born in O’Leary, P.E.I., on January 9, 1915. He attended Prince of Wales College in Charlottetown where he earned a First Class Teacher’s Licence and taught school for seven years. Weldon enlisted in the RCAF in 1942 and then was posted overseas. After discharge from the service in 1945, Weldon attended Dalhousie Law School in Halifax, receiving his Bachelor of Laws degree in 1950. Weldon accepted a position with the former Eastern Trust Company after graduation from law school and served as Branch Manager in Lunenburg and in Moncton, N.B. He later returned to Halifax to serve as Manager of the Personal Trust Departments of all this company’s offices in the Maritimes. He retired from the Trust Company in 1979 and joined the law firm of Walker and Dunlop of Halifax, where he served in the general practice of law for the next 15 years. Besides his parents, Weldon was predeceased by his wife, Alretta (Wallace); brothers, Lloyd, O’Leary, Fred, Gerald, and Elmer. Weldon is survived by daughters, Linda (Gary) Wheeler and Gail Matthews; and granddaughters, Christa (Mark) Thorne, Tracy (Kirk) Rowe, Cindy (Andrew) Ingham, and Susan Wheeler. There are also 10 great-grandchildren who will miss his love and storytelling very much.
The Honourable James Donald Reardon, retired judge of the Provincial Court, died in Yarmouth on April 30, 2006. Born in Yarmouth, he entered Acadia University as part of the Class of 1947, but left to enlist in the infantry from 1944-45. After the war, he studied at Dalhousie University and worked briefly in Toronto with The Great American Insurance Companies in 1950, but soon returned to Yarmouth to practise law. In addition to running a law office, in 1953 he started his own insurance adjusting firm, which later became Fundy Adjustment Bureau. In 1974, Jim drew on both interests to create Dunhill Research and Development Limited. Jim remained in private practice until his appointment as a judge to the Provincial Court Bench in 1985 and presided until retiring in 1996. In 1953, Jim married Marion Stepherson of Saint John, New Brunswick, and raised five children. Jim was preceded by Marion, his parents, aunts, Mary and Cythia Hamilton, and an infant granddaughter, Jenna. Jim is survived by his children, Jim (Connie), Pam, Jeff, Holly, and Bobby Lou; grandchildren Pamela, Kate and Jamie; sister, Pauline Wellsman and her family; and cousin, Louise and husband Marty Elsener. Jim will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Lawrence Merritt Machum, Q.C. died peacefully on March 10, 2005 at the Saint John Regional Hospital, after a short but fierce struggle with pulmonary fibrosis. Larry was born on August 2, 1929 to the late Donald Wilfred Machum and Mary Gibson (Merritt) Machum. He is survived by his beloved wife, Judith Brannen; his four children, Greg Machum (Ann), Lauren Cosman (Mike), Geoff Machum, and Grant Machum; his three step children, Lisa Alward (John Ball), Peter Alward, and Gavin Alward (Mary); his 13 grandchildren; five step grandchildren; sister Kathryn Gillespie; brother Donald (Sandby) Machum; along with five nieces and one nephew. Larry loved his beautiful garden and walking through the Yorkshire Dales.

Reverend Ralph E. Keith, Jr. of Wolfville, passed away on August 3, 2005, surrounded by friends in the QEII Health Sciences Centre, Halifax, after a brief illness. Born in Needham, Mass., on November 6, 1930, he spent many summers on Prince Edward Island, the birthplace of his mother. Ralph attended prep school in Needham, Mass., graduated from Acadia University with a B.A. degree in English in 1951, and then Dalhousie Law School with an L.L.B. degree in 1956. Ralph was ordained as a Lutheran priest in 1976 and served in Lennoxville County from 1976-1986. Ralph became a proud Canadian citizen in 1978. He was a salesman for Jordan March Co. of Boston, Mass., in 1951-52, as well as an agent for Paine, Webber, Jackson & Curtis investment brokers, Boston, Mass., from 1952-1953. A true friend of many, he will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Ronald Borden “Ron” Coleman, 72, of Calgary, passed away on July 3, 2005. Ron was born in Nova Scotia and lived his early years there. After graduating from Dalhousie University with degrees in Commerce and Law, he moved to Calgary in 1957. Ron was a senior executive with Home Oil Company for 20 years and then began a consulting career. He was a member of the Alberta Law Society, the Canadian Bar Association, and was a founding director of the Petroleum Law Association of Canada. Ron was also president of the Independent Petroleum Association of Canada from 1978 to 1979, a director of many public corporations and served as chairman of the Calgary Hospice Foundation for many years. He was a member of the Ranchmans, Petroleum and Glencoe Clubs, as well as the Earl Grey Golf Club. Ron is survived by his sons, Gary, Paul, and Cameron; granddaughter, Jenna; mother, Jesse; sister Kaye; his dear friend Coralee; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Albert Martin Smith, Q.C. passed away on November 18, 2005. Born in Halifax on June 7, 1931, he was a son of the late Albert Martin Smith and Anne F. (Mitchell) Smith. Albert graduated from Dalhousie University with a Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Laws degree. For 27 years Albert practiced law in Halifax and received his designation as Queen’s Counsel in 1973. In 1985, he was appointed Prothonotary of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, Registrar of the Court of Appeal and Registrar in Bankruptcy and retired from the law courts on June 30, 1996. Upon retirement, Albert volunteered his services with the Red Cross and Life Centre Ministries. Besides his wife, Linda Ruth Smith, Albert is survived by his daughter, Sydney Ann Smith; son, Philip Duncan Smith (Cheryl); sister, Ethel W. Hall (Norman); sister-in-law, Jane Smith; granddaughters, Jordan and Hanna Smith and Madeline MacKinnon. Albert was predeceased by his sister, Sonia M. Smith; brother, Michael M. Smith (Barrister) (London, England).

Paul C. Doyle, 75, of Arichat, Cape Breton, died at home on February 18, 2005. He was a graduate of St. FX University with B.S. and B.Ed. degrees and of Dalhousie Law School with an L.L.B. degree. Paul was an active teacher and lawyer. He was principal of St. Ninian School in Antigonish; principal of Port Hawkesbury Public School; principal of Little Anse School; and principal of Point Tupper School. Paul taught economics, law and history at Isle Madame District High School for over 25 years, during this time he also operated the only law office in Arichat. Paul is survived by his loving wife of 43 years, Blanche Doyle (Aucouin); children, Michael (Lisa), Carolyn Clakdoyle (Rolf), and Brian; grandchildren, Jeffrey, Sarah, Duncan and Gilliam. Also surviving is Paul’s sister, Sister Monica Doyle.

Gordon Neville “Jim” Kent, passed away peacefully on June 21, 2005, in his 89th year, in the VG Site, QEII. Jim was born on November 12, 1916, in Montreal. He graduated with a Bachelor in Engineering from McGill University in 1938, and a Bachelor of Laws from Dalhousie Law School in 1962. During the Second World War he moved to Nova Scotia to become Chief Engineer at a shipyard in Meteghan. He received an honorary degree from Dalhousie University in 2004. Jim was predeceased by his wife, Myrtle Louise Kent (Gould); his daughter, Sheryl Ann Kent; stepmother, Mary Allen Kent; and brother, Gail Kent. Jim is survived by his sons, Jim and Peter; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Derril Thomas Warren, Q.C., B.A., LL.B., LL.M., C. Arb., passed away on May 31, 2005. Derril was born on May 23, 1939 in Saskatoon, to Tom and Norma Warren. In 1961, Derril graduated from U.B.C., receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree. In 1964, he received his Bachelor of Laws degree from Dalhousie Law School, where he was also a Sir James Dunn Scholar. In 1965, Derril was awarded his Masters of Law from Harvard, where he was a Joseph Beale Scholar. He practised law for several years, as General Counsel to Mannix Organization in Calgary and in Vancouver where he was a founding partner of Owen, Bird. He began his political career in 1971 during which time he was leader of the provincial Progressive Conservative Party. After leaving politics, he returned to the practice of law in Kelowna. He spent rewarding periods teaching law at UVIC, U.B.C. and City University of Hong Kong as Visiting Lecturer, Associate Professor, and Associate Dean. Derril is survived by his three children, Andy, Jeffrey, and Pamela; his granddaughter Amanda; his lifetime friend and former wife Diane; extended family member Jim Hunter; his brother David (Mila).
The Honourable Terence Richard Boyd Donahoe, Q.C., LL.D. died in Halifax on November 29, 2005. Born in Halifax on October 30, 1944, he was a son of the late Senator Richard A. Donahoe and Mary Eileen (Boyd) Donahoe. Terry is survived by his wife of 37 years, Lynne (Sheehan); daughter, Moira (Jonathan) Schrader; brother, Arthur (Carolyn); sisters, Cathleen Neidermayer, Sheila Donahoe (Michael Derwin), Nora (Walter) Strapps, Ellen (John) Feehan; and 12 nieces and nephews. Terry was predeceased by his parents and sister, Maura. Terry earned his Bachelor of Commerce degree from Saint Mary’s University in 1964. He graduated from Dalhousie Law School in 1967 with a Bachelor of Laws degree. Terry practised law in Halifax and was a partner in the firm of Blois, Nickerson, Palmetter, and Bryson. He served for several years as solicitor to the Children’s Aid Society of Halifax and State Advocate for the Knights of Columbus. From a young age Terry was politically active. In 1974, he ran in the Halifax mayoralty election. In 1978, he was elected MLA for Halifax Cornwallis and was re-elected in four subsequent elections. He held several portfolios in the governments of John Buchanan and Donald Cameron. From 1993 to 1995 he served as Leader of the opposition and interim leader of the Progressive Conservative party of Nova Scotia. He contested the constituency of Halifax in the 1997 federal election. After leaving elected public office, Terry was active in several business ventures and continued his involvement in community organizations. Terry was awarded an honorary degree by University Ste. Anne in 1985 and by Saint Mary’s University in 2001. A lifelong avid golfer, Terry served as president of Ashburn Golf Club from 2001 to 2003. He served on many committees and most recently chaired the long-range planning committee. Terry touched all who knew him with his warmth, wit and wisdom – we are grateful to have known and loved him.

Peter Bruce Gunn, 60, of Alberta and Sydney, died on February 16, 2006, in New Zealand. Born on May 15, 1945, in Cape Breton, he was a son of A.O. and K.C. Gunn (Stuewe). Peter received a Bachelor of Arts from St. Francis Xavier University and graduated from Dalhousie Law School with a Bachelor of Laws degree in 1969. Surviving are his wife, Susan; daughters, Heather (Jay) LaBrie and Shannon (Ravi) Prithipaul; grandchildren, Casey, Brenna and Christopher LaBrie, Ciara and Devan Prithipaul; brothers Sandy (Kirsten), Jim (Sharon) and Michael; sister, Susan MacNeil; stepmother, Lucy Gunn. Peter will be sadly missed by all.

Michael Cooke, q.c., 65, died on February 11, 2006, in Halifax. Born Joseph Claude Winston Michael Cooke in Montreal, Que., he was a son of the late William and Jeanne (Desnoyers) Cooke. The family moved to Yarmouth when Mike was a young boy and then settled in Yarmouth. Mike joined the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and was posted to Kingston and Ottawa before graduating from Acadia University with a Bachelor of Science. Mike studied law at Dalhousie Law School and received his Bachelor of Laws degree in 1971. Mike worked with several firms, primarily practising with Moore and Davis on Gottingen Street, Halifax. He was appointed adjudicator of the Small Claims Court of Nova Scotia in 1994, a position he held until his recent illness. Mike is survived by his wife, Louise, and sons, William and Jamie. He is also survived by his children from his former marriage, Damon, Tristan and Joanna; sister, Denise Vauthier (Philippe); brother, Bob (Mary); sister-in-law, Marie Galloreto; and many nephews and nieces. He was predeceased by his brother, John.

Stanley Gelfand passed away on Sunday, June 27, 2004, surrounded by his loved ones, following a courageous battle. He was born on October 5, 1944 to Sylvia (Nadler) and Sam Gelfand. Stan received his Bachelor of Arts in 1965 and Bachelor of Civil Law in 1969, both from McGill University. In 1972, he received his Bachelor of Laws degree from Dalhousie Law School. Stan will be sadly missed by his wife and soul mate Dawna Lazare, and family Micol Haimson and Charles Grubsztajn, David Haimson, Erwin and Adele Gelfand, Marilyn Gelfand and Keevin Robins, Janet Clermont, Nancy Lazare and Zvi Geillert, Morrie and Evie Lazare, nieces, nephews and many good friends in Montreal and Vermont. All will miss the vibrant and loving “Stan the Man”.

Gregory Ian North, q.c., 57, died in Halifax on March 13, 2006. Greg was born in Halifax on June 6, 1948 and was the eldest son of the late Judge Murray A. and Margaret North. He attended and received degrees from Acadia University (1969), Queen’s University (1970), Dalhousie Law School (1973) and the London School of Economics (1974). Greg began his legal career with Cox Downie Nunn and Goodfellow, after returning from London. Almost immediately, he began practising Labour and Employment Law as an advocate and later almost exclusively as an arbitrator. In 2002, he made the decision to begin an arbitration practice from his home, which he was running at the time of his death. He is survived by his wife, Susan (Pineo), and by Amy, Graham, Jacqueline, Daphne, Martha and Colin, at home. Greg is also survived by brothers, Alan and David; and his aunt, Nance North. Greg will be missed by his puppies, Rudy and Opal.

Blaize MacDonald, 63, of St. Andrews Channel, passed away suddenly in his sleep, in the early morning hours of Monday June 5, 2006. Blaise leaves behind his best friend and matching “book end”, wife, Lois MacDonald and his son Sean. He also leaves behind two extended daughters – Sean’s wife, Gabriella MacDonald, who lost her own dad when she was 13 - and who lovingly referred to Blaise as her own dad, and Lois’s sister, Winnie Everett - who moved in with the family after the death of her mom. Blaise was a well-known and respected Cape Breton lawyer, who got into the law late in life, graduating from Dalhousie Law School in 1977, as president of his class. Blaise specialized in labour law and was well known for defending many controversial cases. Blaise was a former boilermaker and sailor who loved navigating the Bras d’Or Lakes that fronted his home. Blaise is also survived by his brother (and buddy), Father Stanley MacDonald; and brother, Dennis MacDonald; sisters, Carol Catchalian, Mary MacEachern and Evelyn Sampson. He was predeceased by his mother, Sarah (Sal) MacDonald; father, Dan A. MacDonald; brothers, Sean MacDonald, Joseph MacDonald, Brenton MacDonald and Eric MacDonald; sisters, Theresa “Effie” MacDonald, Audrey MacDonald and Marilyn Ferguson. He was also predeceased by his loyal pup, Nikki. Blaise will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him, including members of his extended family within the legal community and community in general.

James Roderick Ferguson, q.c. passed away on Thursday September 1, 2005, at the age of 51. James was affectionately known as “Ferg” to all his friends and family, but especially to his cherished wife, Barb. Ferg was the eldest child of Kenneth and Jane Ferguson; brother to Stewart (Randi), Debbie (Pat), and Ken (Lori); and uncle to Kenzie, Elian,
Janet, Patrick, Emma, William and Matthew. Ferg was born in Sydney, Cape Breton, on June 9, 1954. He received his Bachelor of Commerce in 1975 and his Bachelor of Laws degree in 1978, both from Dalhousie University. Ferg moved to Calgary after graduation to begin his legal career, practising at Gowlings for most of his career. The family extends its deepest appreciation to the many friends, neighbours, partners, colleagues, and medical staff, who provided care, assistance, support, and meals during this very trying time.

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Donald Bruce MacKinnon, 44, passed away at home in Lower Sackville on August 11, 2005, after a battle with cancer. Bruce was born on November 19, 1960 to Donald and Nancy MacKinnon. He attended Dalhousie University, receiving his Bachelor of Commerce degree in 1983, and both his Bachelor of Laws and Master of Business Administration degrees in 1987. Bruce operated a private law practice after graduation, until his retirement from the bar in June 2005. Bruce is survived by his daughter, Madeline; loving companion, Paulette Alexander; father, Donald; sister, Dr. Catherine (Dr. Paul MacIsaac); brother, Scott; nieces and nephews. Donald will be sadly missed by his friends and family.

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Tarel Quandt, died at home in Vancouver on February 23, 2006. Tarel was born in Edmonton, Alberta on December 11, 1965. Tarel was the recipient of numerous academic awards and scholarships. She attended Simon Fraser University and Mount Saint Vincent University, receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree in Women’s Studies in 1989. Tarel then attended Dalhousie Law School, receiving her Bachelor of Laws degree in 1993. Tarel was a passionate advocate for the rights and freedoms of marginalized and disadvantaged people, and these values influenced her legal career and personal life. Her employment and volunteer work centered on human rights, including her seven years as Director of Treatment and Advocacy with the BC Persons with AIDS Society. Tarel is remembered by her colleagues for her passion for social justice and her capacity to inspire confidence, action, and social change. Tarel is survived by her loving husband Marc Best; grandmother Virginia Conn; parents Peter and Louise; brother Greg, his wife Jacqui, and their children Aidan and Declan. She will also be greatly missed by Marc’s parents Norman and Eve; sisters Cynthia and Janie, Janie’s husband Carlos, and their son Teo.

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Prudence Anne Watson passed away peacefully, after a long illness, on Saturday June 3, 2006. Prudence was born on July 5, 1958 to Nancy Land and the late Geoffrey Watson. She will be sadly missed by her sister Pamela (Rory) Radford; brother Peter Watson; niece Hilary Radford and nephews Ian and Michael Radford; her caring aunts, uncles, and cousins; as well as her large circle of friends. Prudence earned degrees from the University of Toronto (Honours English, 1981), Ryerson University (Business Administration, 1987), and Dalhousie Law School (Bachelor of Laws, 1999). She was a former associate with Blake, Cassels and Graydon in Toronto, where she practised in the Competition Group, advising Canadian and international clients. Prudence’s love of travel, enthusiasm for life, strong work ethic, interest in others, and dedication to family are just some of the ways her life touched many people.

**In Memoriam**

Arleen Ann Goss, LL.B. ’91

The “Positive Vibes Group” met Arleen at Dalhousie Law School in the fall of 1988. During our years there and the years that followed until Arleen’s cancer recurred in 2002, the members of the group (as yet unformed) lived our separate lives as young professionals: studying, partying, working, building careers and families, traveling and enjoying free time when it came. In the spring of 2002 an email idea from Geneva and the love of a common friend brought former classmates together for a common purpose: providing uplifting email messages on a daily basis to sustain Arleen’s belief that she could beat her cancer which had recurred. It took an extraordinary person to reunite these old friends living in Toronto, Calgary, Ottawa, Vancouver, Geneva, Bangkok and Singapore. But Arleen always was extraordinary. A woman of wit and a talent to befriend everyone she met, Arleen stood out in a class of ambitious first year law students. In the weeks after her death, the Positive Vibes Group remembered in cyberspace Arleen’s fun loving spirit, her love of the law, her kindness to others that crossed barriers of race and class, her eagerness to perfect the art of advocacy, her mentorship of younger lawyers, and her incredible strength in the face of a terrible disease. When she was initially diagnosed with cancer, Arleen refused to believe the dire prediction she would live for six months. Arleen believed with all her soul that with positive thinking and a determined spirit she would recover. Those same qualities had taken her through law school, articling at a large Toronto firm and a successful practice as a defence attorney where she quickly gained the respect of judges and fellow lawyers. After highly successful treatment, Arleen returned to practising law, this time with the Attorney General of Ontario as a crown attorney. Then sadly, after several years of cancer free reports, Arleen’s cancer recurred and our group formed to help her and her loving family through the difficult days of treatment and, ultimately, palliative care. Arleen thanked us regularly for our messages, flowers, food and phone calls. However, it is really the group that owes her thanks for bringing us together, her battle with cancer, her elegance and strength in the face of all she endured, and her friendship. We miss her.

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Arleen Goss was born on November 2, 1962 in St. John’s, Newfoundland. She received a Bachelor of Commerce degree from Memorial University in 1984. In 1991, Arleen completed a Bachelor of Laws degree from Dalhousie. She articled with the predecessor of the Toronto law firm now known as Fasken Martineau. Arleen then worked as a criminal defence lawyer with the firm of Stern & Lenzin where she was later admitted as a partner. In 1998, Arleen became a Crown Prosecutor with the Attorney General of Ontario. Arleen pursued her loves of music, travel, advocacy and friendship. She passed away on December 10, 2002 after a long battle with cancer at the age of 40. She is survived by her parents, Al and Laura Goss, as well as four siblings and several nieces and nephews.
Faculties and Friends

**John Irving Bird, Q.C., 87,** died on September 17, 2005. John was born on September 23, 1917 in Wimbledon, England and completed his Commerce degree at UBC, and studied law at Dalhousie. He played rugby for the UBC Thunderbirds and was honoured to be invited to play fullback with the B.C. All Stars against the New Zealand All Blacks in 1935. When WWII broke out he enlisted with the Canadian Navy. After the war he returned to Vancouver with his family and article in law. He practised maritime law with J.V. Clyne at Campney Owen Murphy & Owen. John was predeceased by his parents, Eva and The Honourable Chief Justice Henry Bird, his brother William, and sister Eve (Hockin). He is survived and dearly missed by his wife of 62 years, Molly Bird (nee McCallum); sons Michael Bird, LL.B. '73 (Carolyn) and Brian Bird (Lora); daughter, Barbara Klopfenstein (Albrecht); and grandchildren Shelley DesBrisay, Blake Klopfenstein, Hallie and Devon Bird.

**George F. Curtis, O.C., O.B.C., Q.C.,** died on October 23, 2005, at his much-loved home in Vancouver, where he lived for almost 60 years. George was predeceased by his wife, Doris Margeson, and his son Robert. He is survived by his sons, John and Peter; daughter, Joanne Duchastel, and Robert’s widow, Cushla; grandchildren, Catherine, Devon, and Matthew Curtis, Jean-Pierre and Nicole Duchastel; and great-grandchildren, Saskia and George Gilmer, and Marguerite Hannan. Born on September 4, 1906 in Stogumber, Somerset, George was raised in Saskatchewan. After studying law at the University of Saskatchewan, George went to Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar. After returning to Canada, he practised law in Regina, before becoming a professor at Dalhousie Law School from 1934-1945. Responding to the wish of the Bar of British Columbia that a law school be established in the province, the University of British Columbia appointed George the founding dean of the new law school. Remaining active at the law school right up to his death, he has influenced the lives and careers of some of Canada’s top judges, many of its distinguished teachers and thousands of its practising lawyers. He received many awards over his lifetime: the Governor-General’s Bronze Medal at the age of 18, honorary degrees from several Canadian universities, the first recipient of the Law Society of British Columbia Award in 1986, named to the Order of British Columbia in 1995, and to the Order of Canada in 2004. George will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

**John Brian Donovan** died on October 28, 2005 in Melbourne, Australia. Brian was the beloved father of Beth and Katy; son of Peter and Shirley; brother of Allan, Janine and Frank. He will be lovingly remembered by Sian, Mona, friends and family. After a distinguished academic career as a student in Winnipeg, Toronto, Berkeley and Oxford, and went on to practise law in Toronto and Calgary. Brian taught at Dalhousie Law School 2003-04 and, in the last year of his life, at the Faculty of Law at Monash University in Melbourne.

**James “Jim” Allen Rendall**, passed away quickly and unexpectedly on August 11, 2005 while vacationing with his grandson. The two were salmon fishing to celebrate Jim’s recent reluctant “retirement” from a lifetime commitment to legal academics, a profession to which he devoted himself after fledging from the family farm in Collingwood, Ontario. Jim pursued law at Osgoode Hall after graduating from Vic (Victoria College/University at the University of Toronto), where he met and later married his life’s partner, Katharine Ann Boyce of Amproir, Ontario. The two made a life together first in Toronto, then in London, Ontario, later in Halifax, and for the last twenty-seven years in Calgary. Jim was a professor of law at the University of Western Ontario, Dalhousie Law School (1972-78), and the University of Calgary.

**Moochool “Michael” Jelal Shah,** passed away on January 23, 2006, after a brief illness. Born on November 25, 1922, in New Delhi, he was a journalist, medical student, lawyer, diplomat, writer and philosopher. He was known by friends and colleagues as “Mike” or “Reza”. He and his wife, Hazel, lived in India, Pakistan and London before moving to Halifax where he took a Fellowship at Dalhousie’s International Maritime Law Centre. Michael will be sadly missed by his many friends, colleagues, and family members.

**Dale Lee Zwicker, 41,** of Head Chezetcook, died on September 20, 2005, in Halifax. Born in Halifax, he was a son of the late Sterling and Viola (Parker) Zwicker. Dale was employed with Dalhousie University for the past 17 years as a carpenter, during which time he built the podium for Dalhousie Law School, which is proudly displayed at every Law School function. Dale is survived by his wife, Cheryl (Wright); his beloved sons, Robbie (11), and Justin (9); sisters, Jean Roberts, Shirley Wegg, Phyllis Zwicker, Lynn (John) Skurdauskas; brothers, Dewayne, Lawrence (Dorothy), Paul (Irene), Fred (Claire), Tim (Catherine), and several nieces and nephews.

**Leslie Alexander Foster, 61,** of Halifax, died on August 22, 2005 at home. Born in Toronto, Leslie served in the Royal Canadian Navy and worked as an oceanographer and librarian in Italy and Halifax. Leslie worked in the Sir James Dunn Law Library; assisting staff following the Law School fire in 1985. He is survived by his wife, the former Margaret MacDonald; daughters, Mary Ellen, Susan and Ann; sisters and brothers, Mary Mateljan (Richard), Alice Foster (Jack), Courtney Foster (Susan), Joseph Foster (Nancy); sister-in-law, Sandy MacDonald; several nieces and nephews.

**Douglas Millar Johnston, LL.M., MCL, JSD,** succumbed to cancer on May 6, 2006, just having celebrated his 75th birthday. Born in Dundee, Scotland, Douglas immigrated to Canada in 1955, after graduating from St. Andrews University. Earning post-graduate degrees from McGill and Yale Universities, he went on to teach at the New School for Social Research in New York City, the University of Western Ontario, Louisiana State University, the University of Toronto, Dalhousie Law School, the National University of Singapore, and the University of Victoria in a career that lasted until 1999. In retirement he held the titles of Emeritus Professor at the University of Victoria Law School and Adjunct Professor at Dalhousie Law School. Demonstrating a passion for writing, Douglas wrote over 30 books and 90 articles on the theory and history of international law, law of the sea, marine and environmental policy studies, comparative law, modern Chinese studies and public policy issues. He will be remembered by his colleagues as an institution-builder through the creation of the Southeast Asian Programme in Ocean Law, Policy and Management centered in Bangkok, the Dalhousie Ocean Studies Programme in Halifax and the Maritime Awards Society of Canada. Douglas will be remembered by his students as a generous mentor and by the international legal community as a theoretician. He leaves behind Judith, his wife and partner of 47 years; sons, Keith and Murray; and daughter, Caroline. He will be missed in more ways than they can express. The Douglas M. Johnston Memorial Fund is being set up by Dalhousie Law School, 6061 University Avenue, Halifax, N.S. B3H 4H9.
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Inspiring Minds
THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN caught up in the media swirl surrounding Dan Brown’s bestselling novel The Da Vinci Code (2003) are undoubtedly aware of the plagiarism suit brought against Brown by Michael Baigent and Richard Leigh, authors of the popular 1982 book Holy Blood, Holy Grail. As part of his defence, Brown presented to the English High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) a “Witness Statement” vehemently denying that he “highjacked and exploited” the work of Baigent and Leigh in any way. Brown also goes into much detail about his own research. Of somewhat passing local interest is a portion of his Statement in which he makes specific mention of Nova Scotia and The Knights Templar. He says (Para.90):

“From my research...I have read extensively on the Templars, including the legend of “The Money Pit” — buried Templar treasure in Nova Scotia. This well-documented legend...held my interest for a time and I toyed with it as an element for (Da Vinci).”

Knights Templar and Nova Scotia? As far-fetched as it may seem, for over 200 years there has been a mystery surrounding a so called “Money Pit” located at Oak Island on Nova Scotia’s South Shore, about 50 miles west of Halifax. According to a newspaper report published in 1862 in the Liverpool Transcript, a youth, Daniel McInnis, found a depression in the ground at the south eastern end of the Island in 1795. McInnis and friends excavated the depression to a depth of about 30 feet. There were log platforms about every 10 feet and strange inscriptions were seen on the pit walls. Over the next two centuries various groups and individuals have attempted unsuccessfully to discover what lay at the bottom of the “Money Pit”. For many years a widely held theory was that it contained treasure buried by the notorious pirate, Captain William Kidd. One bizarre speculation was that the original manuscripts of the plays attributed to William Shakespeare, but believed by some to have been written by Sir Francis Bacon, were buried in the Pit.

In more recent years claims have been advanced connecting Oak Island and the Money Pit to the secret society of The Knights Templar. In one of the better known “historical accounts”, The Lost Treasure of the Knights Templar: Solving the Oak Island Mystery (1999), author Steven Sora suggests the Templars brought their treasure to North America following the dissolution of their Order in the 14th century. In addition to precious jewels and religious artifacts, the Templars were said to be in possession of documents outlining the family line of Christ. Part of Sora’s “evidence” supporting the Oak Island connection is that the Templars were one of very few groups with the structural engineering knowledge to carry out the complex excavation of the Pit with its intricate system of platforms and tunnels. Much of Sora’s research is said to resemble territory covered in Holy Blood, Holy Grail and The Secret Treasure of Oak Island: The Amazing True Story of a Centuries-Old Treasure Hunt by D’Arcy O’Connor (reprint 2004).

In spite of Dan Brown’s acknowledgement of awareness and interest in the story of Templar treasure buried on Oak Island, he elected not to use this as a link in Da Vinci. He notes in his Witness Statement that his novels are “location driven” and “I soon discovered that Nova Scotia was not an ideal setting for a novel because it did not afford me the many options I would need for dramatic settings.” However, all may not be lost. Brown’s next book, The Solomon Key (unpublished), promises to give his protagonist, Robert Langdon, the “luxury of potentially limitless adventures in exotic locales.” Already, educated guesses are being made as to the likely content of the new religious thriller. Author Greg Taylor in his book, The Guide to Dan Brown’s The Solomon Key, hints that Brown may “delve further into the Templar tradition...and may use the Oak Island ‘money pit’ as the tie-in to the new material.” Nova Scotia Tourism take note.

The mysterious “Money Pit” at Oak Island, N.S. Is Templar treasure buried in Nova Scotia?