John Nash: alumnus extraordinaire

London jeweller John Nash has been a volunteer at the university for more than 30 years. He receives the Alumni Association's highest award on Friday.

By Karmen Dowling

You might be forgiven for wondering at times whether alumnus extraordinaire John Nash works full-time at the University of Western Ontario.

Right now, Nash (BA'63) is a member of Western's Board of Governors but he is also the incoming president of Foundation Western's Board of Directors.

And since joining the W Club in the mid-1970s, the popular London jeweller has also handled stints as volunteer canvasser for the Western Renaissance Campaign, reunion chair for his 1963 Physical Education class, campaign chair for King's University College Building Futures Campaign, chair of the Western Athletics Fundraising Campaign, Student Recreation Centre Project, and the Michael Kirby High Performance Centre Project.

It is for this continued connection and contribution to Western that Nash is being honoured on Friday at the Homecoming dinner with the Dr. Ivan Smith Award, Alumni Western's highest tribute in recognition of sustained and significant contributions to alumni and the university. (A complete listing of alumni awards is on Pages 12-13)

"The greater the involvement, the greater my commitment," says Nash.

"When one truly understands the complexity of universities, and accurately perceives the relative position of Western among them, it is very easy to commit to an outstanding performance. We have come so far academically, structurally, and socially. It's a wonderful balance."

As a Western student in the early 60s, Nash was active playing football and running on the track and field team. After graduating from Western, he went to the University of Illinois for his Master's and then Ohio State University for a PhD. This led him to become an educator and author in the field of health and human kinetics.

Nash took his knowledge back to the classroom, teaching at the University of Windsor, University of Waterloo and at Western in Health Sciences. He also served as vice-president of what is known today as Physical & Health Education Canada and was chairman of the Canadian Health Education Specialists Society.

But when you say Nash's name in the London community, the first thing that comes to mind is jewelry.

Purchasing the family jewelry business in 1976, which was started by his grandfather, Nash pursued his passion of gemology, becoming Canada's second Certified Gemologist Appraiser in 1978 and developing the first Canadian AGS Accredited Gemological Laboratory at Nash's in 1980.


Nash says he is eager to be part of the selection committee hiring the next president of Western, adding it will arguably be the most difficult task he's had to face in his roles at the university.

The community work has been possible, he says, because of the support of those around him, including his wife of 37 years, Margi, and their six sons.

"I am fortunate in having family, partners and friends that encourage effort, permit flexibility, recognize achievement, and overlook inadequacies," he says.

"They focus on the positive, offer compassion when the accidents of life challenge, and remain supportive and loyal. I am blessed with a coterie of positive colleagues."

The University of Western Ontario has outlined $700 million in potential construction, including a new $100-million Ivey building, as the university shifts to the second phase of its Long-Range Space Plan.

The list is outlined in a letter to the Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities (MTCU) as the university seeks a share of a planned $60-billion provincial infrastructure plan expected to renew all types of provincial public structures, from sewers and waterworks to new educational facilities.

Western has identified six ‘category 1’ projects totaling more than $200 million that are either already underway in terms of detailed planning or into serious pre-planning stages.

Another 15 projects totaling $489 million have been included as ‘category 2’ projects, longer-term projects identified during the recent planning process. Category 2 projects are considered desirable but they are at such an early stage planning is only at a preliminary stage (in some cases no planning has been done) and cost projections are of a ballpark nature only.

The projects include:

**CATEOGY 1**

(all data preliminary)

- **New Ivey Building** - $100 million (MTCU request - $50 million) The 225,000-square-foot facility would allow for expansion of the HBA program (five to eight incoming classes) and the MBA (from three to four classes) and is considered necessary for Ivey to compete at the international level. It would be located on the area now used as soccer fields near Western Road.
- **Physics & Astronomy Building Renovations** - $25 million (MTCU request - $16...
Late retirements limit new faculty spaces

BY HEATHER TRAVIS

Elimination of the mandatory retirement age at 65 is expected to cause faculty renewal issues in the University of Western Ontario’s near future, says Provost and Vice President Fred Longstaffe. During a presentation to the Board of Governors at a meeting on Sept. 30, Longstaffe told the board that almost half of the university’s faculty is delaying retirement.

“We are getting to the situation where 50 per cent will stay beyond 65 (years old),” he says. The trend is showing that many of these will wait until they reach 69 years old before retiring, which will limit the amount of new positions available for new faculty, he adds.

Although retaining faculty means knowledgeable researchers and scientists will remain on staff to mentor new hires, Longstaffe says the aging faculty may affect budgeting issues, faculty regeneration and how far the university extends its duty to accommodate policy. The aging faculty will have direct implications on the university’s goal to increase minority representation, particularly hiring more women, by restricting the number of available positions, he says.

Although Western has successfully increased the number of probationary and tenured female faculty by almost 10 per cent in the last decade, Longstaffe says Western’s level still falls short of competing research-intensive universities in Canada.

“One of our aspirations is to diversify faculty,” he says. “We are continuing to do so and it’s a slow process. We are behind the G12 average.”

According to the report, of the 1,017 probationary and tenured faculty at Western as of August, 751 were men and 266 were women.

MCINTOSH ART VALUED OVER $11M

The Board of Govenors was presented with a report on the size and value of the university art collection at the McIntosh Gallery. The gallery currently has 3,435 works, which are valued at more than $11 million.

FIRST-YEAR CLASS SIZE “HIGH”

The first-year class at University of Western Ontario is larger than expected, with 4,500 students currently enrolled.

With a cap on student undergraduate enrolment in place, Western President Paul Davenport says the number is “a bit high.”

The increase was credited to the high demand for the university’s programs, but next year the target remains 4,350 students.

The additional students are distributed across a variety of programs, making the overall impact relatively small, he adds.

BOARD MEETINGS RELOCATING

With the many administrative units in the Stevenson-Lawson Building (SLB) moving to the new Support Services Building, renovations of SLB are expected to get underway in January.

During renovations, the Board of Governors and board committees meetings will be temporarily relocated to Room 4210 of the new Support Services Building.

The Distinguished University Professorship Award Public Lectures

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Richard Kane
Distinguished University Professor, Faculty of Science

Lecture Title
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Wednesday, October 8, 2008
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Followed by a reception
Room 225, University College

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Deadline: Dean’s Office – November 17, 2008

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COME AND SEE IF invisalign® IS RIGHT FOR YOU!
By Heather Travis

University of Western Ontario professors are turning the online editing system that has made Wikipedia famous into a collaborative teaching tool for the virtual classroom.

Wikipedia is known for being a quick reference tool to find out historical data, celebrity fun facts or even to look up information on your next vacation destination. Although Wikipedia is well-known for being an encyclopedia that anyone can edit, few people know that it is part of a larger world of ‘wikis.’

A wiki, which comes from the Hawaiian word for quickly, is a type of website that allows users to change and add information, as well as remove and edit all of the content on the site. Wikipedia is just one of many wiki websites.

Based on popular demand, Paul Lukasewy, instructional technology support specialist for Information Technology Services at Western, developed Kiwi Western, a wiki used within WebCT Owl. It was officially launched in September and is currently used in about 10 courses, including those in the departments of English, Education, Film, Geography, Physics & Astronomy and Spanish.

“Most people don’t know what a wiki is, but have been using them in their everyday lives. “It’s very universal – you just need a browser,” he says. “It’s becoming more wide-spread, especially with Wikipedia.”

Some Western professors are favouring wikis over traditional websites, which sometimes require knowledge of complicated Internet coding methods to build them.

Adding content to a website can also be restricted to the creator or a select few who have been given administrative access, which limits the possibilities for collaboration. However, Kiwi Western is integrated into WebCT Owl, which gives all of the students enrolled in the course authorization to modify what appears on the site.

“Wikis are a collaborative tool,” he says. “Anything you can do on a web page, you can do on a wiki.”

The system keeps a log of all the alterations that have been made to the wiki, which allows users to revert back to a previous edition to undo changes. But, unlike Wikipedia which allows anyone with access to the Internet to edit it, additions to Kiwi Western wikis can only be made by its registered users.

And, instructors don’t have to be tech-savvy to set up a wiki for their course.

The design of the wiki system is similar to a word processing program, with many familiar publishing features, such as text and tables. However, the final result looks more like a website, with many interactive features such as photos, audio and video, as well as other multi-media tools.

The wikis can also be used for group projects, research, posting course outlines and syllabus, as well as class notes, adds Lukasewych. “It could be a very useful tool in WebCT Owl because students could be anywhere and be collaborative,” says Lukasewych. “It’s reached the point that it is easier to use.”

This means students could upload their projects to the wikis and anyone in the group – regardless of where they are in the world – could make changes or add a piece to the puzzle. For example, during the Fall Perspectives on Teaching conference in August, Film Studies professor Wendy Pearson demonstrated how she used a wiki in her course on Canadian Films. Throughout the year, students built wiki web pages on the individual films they were studying and were marked on the process as well as the overall final product. The wiki pages, which were built using a similar program to Kiwi Western, had biographies on the films, images of the movie poster, information on the stars and background information, among other details. Lukasewych says the potential uses for Kiwi Western are endless.

Unlike many wikis on the market, Kiwi Western is free to instructors within WebCT Owl. However, a wiki that is separate from WebCT Owl can be set up for a small fee. Lukasewych says faculty may use those wikis for collaborative research, editing graduate thesis papers and other non-instructional purposes.

For more information on Kiwi Western wikis, visit www.uwo.ca/its/kiwi/ or contact Western’s Information Technology Service.
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

IRAQI, AFGHAN CIVILIANS NOT ‘MURDERED’

In his letter to the editor on Sept. 18 (What about the other victims?), Tim Blackmore suggests that we should set aside time to remember the civilians killed in Iraq and Afghanistan, as those deaths are no less of a tragedy than the civilian deaths that resulted from the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11. Blackmore makes it clear the Iraqi and Afghani civilians in question are those “we as accomplices have since killed in Iraq.” I take this to mean the civilian deaths under discussion are those caused by coalition forces (the numbers Blackmore cites from www.iraqbodycount.org thus become somewhat problematic as they record the number of civilians killed by “violence” not just by coalition forces).

Blackmore says “people may object that it isn’t appropriate to mention civilians murdered in Iraq or Afghanistan on a day reserved for the victims of 9/11.” I do not object to Blackmore’s call for a memorial for the civilians killed in Iraq or Afghanistan. I object to his claim these civilians have been “murdered” and I object to the faulty reasoning that seems to have led him to use that term.

What led Blackmore to say the civilians killed in Iraq and Afghanistan were “murdered” seems to be something like the following argument: if there is no moral difference between people who are killed, then there is no moral difference between the people responsible for those deaths. Blackmore rightly points out the civilians killed in Iraq and Afghanistan were no more deserving of their fate than the civilians killed in the 9/11 terrorist attacks. “Victims are victims,” Blackmore notes, “and civilian victims in Iraq are equally blameless.”

True enough, but it certainly does not follow from this that there is a moral equivalence between those responsible for the civilian deaths on 9/11 and those in Iraq and Afghanistan; nor does it follow that coalition soldiers who cause the death of civilians while attacking legitimate military targets are murderers.

Tim Blackmore’s (letter, Sept. 18) laments the deaths of civilians “murdered” in Iraq and Afghanistan, and refers to 95,000 whom “we as accomplices” have allegedly “killed in Iraq.” He overlooks the fact many of the civilians killed have been victims of the terrorists against whom allied forces are fighting. It is not Americans, Canadians or British who detonate car bombs in busy streets and crowded markets.

In accusing Canada of complicity regarding Iraq, Blackmore also overlooks the fact the multinational (primarily U.S.) force has been operating there since 2003 with the blessing of the United Nations Security Council. Anybody interested can find the relevant documents on the UN website www.un.org – see Resolutions 1483 and 1511 (2003), 1546 (2004), 1723 (2006) and 1790 (2007). Canada has traditionally supported UN-approved efforts to stabilize zones of conflict.

In addition, Blackmore overlooks the fact that after the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001, American policy aimed (naturally enough) not merely at punishing those responsible but at preventing future attacks. One means of achieving that objective was to eliminate the likeliest sources of state support for terrorist activity. Because of its own conduct, Saddam Hussein’s dictatorship in Iraq became an obvious target. For example, after Islamic terrorists made their first attempt to destroy the World Trade Center (in 1993), using a truck bomb, one of the participants in that plot (Abdul Rahman Yasin) escaped to Iraq. Saddam Hussein gave him refuge.

The dictator was similarly generous to Abu Abbas, wanted in connection with the seizure of an Italian cruise ship in 1985 and the murder of a crippled American passenger, who was thrown overboard along with his wheelchair. This terrorist conspirator was finally caught by the Americans in Iraq after the fall of Baghdad, and later died in custody.

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CIVILIANS ALSO VICTIMS OF TERRORISTS

Looking Back

From the Western News archives - October 1983

- Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau planned to visit Western by request of campus Liberal Association Vice-President Larry Abey.
- Ontario is cited as “unreceptive” to foreign students. Visa requests from first-time applicants in Ontario declined by 10 per cent following a 40 per cent increase in the differential tuition fee.
- On Oct. 15, 1983 Western’s Homecoming parade was televised for the first time, live on CFPL-TV London.
- A report on participation rates and future enrollment by the A report on participation rates and future enrollment by the Canadian Council of Ontario Universities stated that, females represent the greatest increase in participation rate at Ontario universities.

THE WAY WE WERE: 1974

On November 7, university student Mike Banks impersonating boxer Muhammad Ali phoned broadcaster Howard Cosell during ABC’s telecast of a National Football League game at Pittsburgh. Fooled by Banks, Cosell broadcast a poem directed at George Foreman, “Georgy Porgy puddin’ and pie, Devastation’ punch and heap big thigh, When Georgy Porgy come out to fight, I’m gonna knock him outta sight.”
Watch for the ‘new’ Homecoming parade

By Rachel Halpert

The University Students’ Council (USC) is looking forward to this year’s Homecoming weekend. “Homecoming Week” takes place on campus from Oct. 2-4. The kick-off event is the annual Homecoming Royalty Competition on Oct. 2, followed the next day by float-building in Springett Parking Lot.

These activities all lead up to the traditional Homecoming Parade and Homecoming Game on Saturday, Oct. 4. The parade will begin at 10 a.m. and is an important event for all members of the Western and London community to show their purple pride and enjoy a bright and spirited show. The USC is making additional efforts this year and moving forward in order to maintain a positive presence in the London community. These actions include Homecoming Week and also extend throughout the entire year.

The USC hosts many events on campus to engage students and community members in a safe and inclusive environment. Some of these events include Western Film (movies on campus), awareness weeks, and charitable initiatives.

The USC also provides students and Londoners with the opportunity to interact and build a the greater community. For instance, the early outreach conference invites Grade 8 students from the community to campus to work with volunteers towards achieving their goals through education. In addition, the USC and its club system offers extensive opportunities for work with local charities and volunteer organizations.

For Homecoming in particular, the USC takes many steps to ensure that the parade is a safe and enjoyable experience for all of those who are involved, including participants and bystanders. A few measures the USC have taken this year are:

- A float application process that requires approval from the Homecoming Committee. This purpose of this application is to uphold the integrity of the USC and best reflect the student experience at Western. All applications are reviewed by the Homecoming Committee and anything deemed unfit for the occasion does not receive approval to go forward.
- All participants in the parade sign a participation form to ensure proper conduct. This participation form will also ensure the safety of those on the float as well as the audience surrounding the parade route. This precaution is taken every year and will be strictly adhered to.
- There will be a cleanup committee that will be following the parade to ensure there will be no messy trail left behind. The recommendation for this committee came from a meeting with USC, administration, and London community members. The USC is dedicated to listening to the concerns of the London community and taking action on behalf of the feedback that they receive.

Additional security for the floats and along the parade route has been added. There will be a zero tolerance policy for any rowdy behaviour or rule-breaking.

These actions are meant to promote clean, safe and community-driven behaviour during this flagship Homecoming event.

The USC is extremely excited for the occasion, particularly the parade that allows us to showcase student leadership in the London community.

Everyone is encouraged to enjoy the show on Oct. 4 at 10 a.m. as the USC Homecoming Parade makes its way through Western and surrounding areas. The writer is communications officer for the University Students’ Council.

PUBLIC SPACE

Gallery, art museum education offered

By Meggin Helm

Continuing Studies at The University of Western Ontario launched a new program this year directed at museum and gallery lovers.

The Gallery and Art Museum Practice (GAMP) program offers the theoretical background and practical experience required to be successful in the art museum and gallery field.

The course is taught by instructors who have already made their mark in the arts community in London and art centres in Toronto.

Ideal for those wanting to work in the arts, but who are not necessarily interested in being an artist themselves, the program introduces key management skills and provides a comprehensive introduction to the day-to-day administration of galleries and art museums.

When asked what attracted her to the program, Jessica Faith Henderson noted, “The first thing that attracted me to this program was that it is in London. There is such a vibrant arts community here, and I’ll have the opportunity to be a part of it during an internship at the end of the program.”

For professionals with more than two years of experience in the field, or those simply looking to broaden their horizons, the certificate program involves course work without prerequisites or a practicum component. Applicants can take up to two courses before officially applying to the certificate program.

The GAMP program is not only an important addition to Continuing Studies, but also to the overall arts community in London. In the past, those eager to participate in this type of well-rounded educational experience have had to move away from the area. The work placement component in the diploma program offers the opportunity for community art museums and galleries to take on interns trained in the field.

With this influx of trained individuals in our own backyard, London will begin building its well-deserved reputation of a city full of thriving cultural institutions.

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Many taking first step in lifelong voting

By Jess Bechar

On Oct. 14 many ‘Millennials’ will have a chance to vote for the first time. They are a generation of students who have always had the world available ‘just a click away’. But with online voting not yet a mainstay in the Canadian electoral process, is it an outdated system that has caused some of the worst voter turnouts for 18-to-24-year-olds? According to two political science professors from The University of Western Ontario, it may simply be a lack of understanding the process that keeps many students from voting.

“Studies of non-voters indicate that the actual administrative activities involved in voting keep many away from the polls,” says Laura Stephenson, assistant professor of political science at Western. “Logistical factors play a key role for young people in deciding whether or not to vote.”

The logistical factors Stephenson refers to include where and when to vote, and how to register, a process that has become more confusing to potential voters since Elections Canada halted door-to-door enumeration in the late 1990s.

Turnout of voters aged 18-24 years was estimated at just 25 per cent for the 2000 federal election. That number climbed to nearly 38 per cent for the youngest category of voters (18-21), but was still well below the 60.9 per cent overall turnout in 2004. Since that election, Elections Canada has made efforts to increase young voter turnout.

“Turnout has declined significantly over the last 20 years and Elections Canada has tried to get a handle on why that is. There have been campaigns in past elections to appeal to young voters and get them out to vote,” says Cameron Anderson, also an assistant professor of political science at Western.

Both Stephenson and Anderson agree that apathy and a perception that ‘politics doesn’t affect me’ can also keep first-timers away.

Among the strategies Anderson mentions for getting over these hurdles is a campaign that ensures all voters who have turned 18 since the last election receive a personalized card in the mail encouraging them to vote. Registering to vote can be even more puzzling for many Western students, whose home electoral riding is not in the London area, and for whom traveling home to vote on election day might not be possible.

Many students aren’t aware that registration can be done on the day of the election and those living away from home are still eligible to vote in London by acquiring an Attestation of Residence form. Students living on campus can acquire a form from the front desk of their residence, while students living off campus should contact their landlord. A piece of mail such as a utility or credit card bill, with a local address, can also serve as proof of address in lieu of the Attestation of Residence form.

For students living on campus, Housing and Ancillary Services will have polling stations set up in London Hall, Saugeen-Maitland Hall, Sydenham Hall and Elgin Hall. Students living off campus should consult the Elections Canada website (www.elections.ca) for the location of their polling station.

For those wishing to vote in their home electoral riding but are unable to make the trip home, Elections Canada allows voters to cast a ballot by mail or at advanced polling stations. Requests for special balloting must be received by Elections Canada no later than 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 7, and can be made online (www.elections.ca) or at the local Elections Canada office.

Canadian citizens who are 18 years or older on Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2008 are eligible to vote in this year’s election. Registration on the day of the election requires satisfactory proof of identity and address.

Regardless of their reason for not casting a ballot, helping young voters overcome what Stephenson calls voting ‘mystery’ could impact the results of elections for generations to come.

“One once you’ve done it once or twice, you are much more likely to become a life-long voter,” says Anderson.

A federal general election is taking place on October 14, 2008.

Did you receive this card?

Keep the voter information card you received by mail from Elections Canada. It tells you where and when to vote. You’ll get through the voting process more quickly if you have it with you.

If you haven’t received it, or if you found an error, you can use the Elections Canada website (www.elections.ca) to find the number of your local Elections Canada office. You’ll find the number at www.elections.ca by clicking on “Voter Information Service”.

Where and when to vote?

Advance voting
You can vote before election day. Advance voting will be held Friday, October 3, Saturday, October 4 and Monday, October 6, from noon to 8:00 p.m. Locations of advance polling stations appear on the back of the voter information card.

You can vote by mail or at your local Elections Canada office using the special ballot if you make the request by 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 7.

To download the registration form, go to www.elections.ca and click on “I’m Mailing My Vote!”, or call Elections Canada to obtain the form and information.

Do you know the new identification rules to vote?

When you vote, you must prove your identity and address.

For the list of acceptable pieces of identification authorized by the Chief Electoral Officer of Canada, please see the pamphlet you received by mail from Elections Canada or visit www.elections.ca and click on: “Voter Identification at the Polls”.

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CUNNINGHAM JOINS REGIONAL AGENCY

Diane Cunningham, Director of the Lawrence National Centre for Policy and Management, has been elected to a two-year term on the board of the Southwest Economic Alliance (SWEA). SWEA is a new agency created by representatives from across Southwestern Ontario to promote regional prosperity and create a competitive advantage for the region. www.swea.ca/

DISTINGUISHED UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR LECTURE

In recognition of his selection as one of Western’s 2008 Distinguished University Professors, Richard Kane will present a public lecture entitled Symmetry: A Perspective on Mathematical Research. All campus community members are invited to attend this presentation on Wednesday, Oct. 8 in Conron Hall, Room 224, University College at 4 p.m. A reception will follow.

ITALIAN IDENTITY AND FOOD

Visiting lecturer Massimo Montanari, a professor of medieval history and history of food at the University of Bologna, will present a free lecture “Cuisine and Italian Identity” today (Oct. 2) at 8 p.m. in Conron Hall, University College, Room 224. Montanari, widely recognized for research on culinary traditions, has authored and co-authored more than a dozen books, including Italian Cuisine: A Cultural History and most recently, Bologna la Grassa.

NEW CODE BLUE PHONES

Two new emergency Blue Phones, sponsored by the Women’s Safety Committee, will be installed over the next several weeks. There are currently 19 Code Blue Phones across campus. The first new installation (mid-October) will be near the Thames Hall sidewalks opposite Alumni Hall. The second phone (November) will be between the west end of the current Springett Parking lot and the new extension that is under construction. It will be near the centre of the parking lot, midway between the Code Blue phone in the lane parking lot at Brescia and the Code Blue phone at the south side of Huron.

Schulich’s Windsor students still in class

Twenty-four medical students at the University of Windsor are still in class despite faculty picket lines at the university, now heading into week three.

With expansion of the undergraduate medical school, the new Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry – Windsor Program became the first full distance-education site for the school and a welcome addition to the Windsor-Essex region, which is struggling with a serious doctor shortage.

But while the students are physically at the Windsor campus, they are registered as Western students and therefore are not directly affected by the work stoppage.

Tom Scott, Associate Dean of the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry - Windsor Program and Director of Medical Education at the University of Windsor says the Western students are continuing to be taught.

“First-year teaching is continuing in the facilities used by SWOMEN for the past five years,” says Scott, referring to the Southwest Ontario Medical Education Network, which uses two local hospitals. “The Windsor program will move into the new Medical Education Building when it is ready.”

The Windsor University Faculty Association is seeking a new collective agreement to replace one that expired June 30.
UW goal being unveiled

By Paul Mayne

Amidst the excitement of Homecoming Weekend will be another anticipated announcement as Western sets out its 2008 United Way campaign goal.

Last year, the campus community brought in a record-breaking $516,819 - the largest single donation in United Way of London & Middlesex history. This year’s goal will be made public at TD Waterhouse just prior to Saturday’s Mustangs football game.

“Western’s campus community has been the largest organizational contributor to the United Way for several years now,” says Director of Employee and Advancement Communications Malcolm Ruddock, who is co-chairing Western’s campaign with Associate Dean (Social Science) Julie McMullin.

“It feels good knowing that I’m part of such a caring community.”

Ruddock says this year’s city-wide goal has risen to $7.3 million, and the London and regional community will continue looking to Western to play a leadership role in meeting the need. To-date, the London community has pledged $1.3 million.

Ruddock says there has been a modest decline in the number of people who give in recent years, so the challenge as volunteers will be to keep repeating the message that every gift helps.

“Western people are politically aware and socially engaged - that’s why so many give to the United Way,” he says.

“We want to keep growing the number of people who give at the leadership level, as well as those who make smaller gifts. What matters most is simply that people participate.”

For more information on Western’s United Way campaign, visit http://unitedway.uwo.ca.

Mini Medical School visits The Body Shop

As we age, our bodies change, and no amount of cosmetic surgery can alter most of those changes. It’s also a sad fact that when it comes to health, some good bodies can “go bad”.

These are just two of the topics covered in this fall’s Mini Medical School, a sold-out lecture series success for the London community by the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry at The University of Western Ontario.

The Mini Medical School covers topics routinely taught in the first two years of medical school, and is one of Schulich’s most popular lecture series.

The first class is titled: “The Body Shop: Anatomical Alterations on the Voyage from Birth to Burial,” by Dr. Tim Wilson of the Department of Anatomy & Cell Biology.

The program runs for six weeks starting today (October 2). The lectures run from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in Dental Sciences Building D1002 and the topics include:

- Oct. 9 When Good Bodies Go Bad: Pathology for Beginners – Dr. Bertha Garcia
- Oct. 16 Operation Health Care: A Look at Military Medicine – Dr. Raymond Kao
- Oct. 23 X-Rated and Nuked: A Crash Course in Radiation Physics – Dr. Roya Etemad-Rezai
- Oct. 30 Nut Cracking: The Science of Nut Consumption – Dr. Gary Ferguson & Dr. Peter Canham
- Nov. 6 Diabesity: Can We Outrun the Fast Food Epidemic? – Dr. Terri Paul
- Nov. 13 When Good Bodies Can ‘Go Bad’: Pathology for Beginners – Dr. Terri Paul

Anatomy & Cell Biology.

See “What’s Happening in RD&S” for more program information: http://www.uwo.ca/research/rdc.html

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Site identified for $100M Ivey project

BY HEATHER TRAVIS

The Richard Ivey School of Business has been given a go-ahead to build new $100-million facility at the foot of Brescia University College hill, however the project hinges on provincial funding.

On Sept. 30, The University of Western Ontario Board of Governors approved the Ivey site on the west side of Western Road, south of the Springett Parking Lot, where the soccer fields are currently located — as the future site of Ivey if funding comes available and the building is approved for construction.

The university has applied for a share of the $60-billion provincial investment in public infrastructure to complete high-priority capital projects at Western.

The new Ivey facility would be about 50 per cent larger than the current building, measuring 40,000 square feet. This additional space would allow for expansion of the MBA program and the increase the MBA program. The project, as currently under consideration, would be the biggest in Western's history and one of the biggest in Canada.

"It's an exciting time for the Ivey Business School," says Acting Dean Larry Wynant.

"I think about a new building that would allow us to continue our growth trajectory, allow us to consolidate our operations which are now spread out over a whole variety of locations, as well as... (provide) a building that will help foster an image of Ivey as being amongst the world's best business schools."

However, conditions were placed on the land use when Western purchased it from the Diocese of London, says Gitta Kulczycki, Vice-President (Resources and Operations), in a presentation of the Ivey site proposal to the board.

Western's contract commits to using the space "for church and educational purposes only and it defined a height limitation," she says, adding buildings on the proposed site must be no more than twice the height of Elborn College.

Kulczycki also mentioned that the principal of Brescia, Colleen Hanyza, and its board are "content this would be a good use for that plot of land."

Of the top 25 business schools in the world, only two do not have a new facility and Western is one of them, says Wynant.

"We are kind of busting at the seams," he says. "The Ivey school is at 100 per cent capacity."

Ivey scouted five possible locations for the new facility, however Wynant says they settled on the eight and a half-acre soccer fields because of its proximity to the heart of campus and key academic partners, such as Engineering, Law and Science.

The location also provides visibility in the community and a space large enough to accommodate any architectural design.

But Wynant says the building will not be possible without governmental funding.

Within the $100-million price tag, the university has asked the province to fund $50 million. Western has committed $22.5 million and Ivey is expected to raise $27.5 million through its Ivey Campaign for Leadership.

Some board members expressed concern about approving such an open-ended plan without a concrete timeline for development, however President Paul Davenport assured them future building would still require board approval.

"You haven't decided anything about a building," he says.

While the business school awaits the government decision, Ivey has elicited the "location of interest" from local and international architects.

A short list will be compiled and conceptual designs will be considered. Wynant expects an architect will be selected by early 2009.

The overall project will take between three and four years to complete and if it goes according to plan, the new Ivey building could open in 2012-2013.

"There's lots of uncertainties at the moment in time, but we are delighted it is the number one priority request of the university of the government," he says.

"We are hopeful that the government will come forward with support, whether through the Ontario Structures Program or through other avenues that are available for us to tap into."

Fred Longstaffe, Provost & Vice-President (Academic), says a number of sites are being considered for the relocation of the soccer fields, including university-owned land behind TD Waterhouse Stadium and near Westminster College.

FIMS would move to Physical Plant building

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The 97,000 square feet of renewed space would modernize the existing outdated facility, including electrical, HVAC, IT infrastructure and teaching/research facilities. The province has already provided $9 million.

Stevenson-Lawson Building Renovations - $20 million (MTCU request - $15 million). The 124,000 square feet of renewed space would house programs with expanding graduate enrolments, including Classical Studies, Philosophy, History and Women's Studies. The building will house 200 graduate students.

UCC Renovations - $12 million (MTCU request - $6 million). The 41,000 square feet of renewed space would create classrooms in space vacated by Campus Recreation and would support graduate expansion and meet undergraduate teaching needs.

Campus Sustainability Initiatives - $30 million (MTCU request - $30 million). This would include the replacement of windows, upgraded lighting, water management systems, electricity management systems, and a co-generation system.

Physical Plant Building Renovations - $15 million (MTCU request - $10 million). The 5,500 square feet of renewed space would create a new home for the expanding Faculty of Information & Media Studies, now in the North Campus Residence. It will house 315 graduate students and expanded teaching facilities.

The provincial government is at an early stage of developing its plans for a $60-billion public infrastructure program for Ontario, which is intended to span at least the next decade, and has offered universities a chance to be part of these considerations," says Fred Longstaffe, Provost and Vice-President (Academic).

"We welcome this invitation to be included in provincial infrastructure planning in this way — it represents a new opportunity for us."

Some additional provincial funding be made available for any of the projects, it would open within the university's capital budget for additional projects to be considered, notes Longstaffe, adding all items on the Category 1 list — other than the campus sustainability initiative — have been discussed at the Senate and Board levels.

Of note is the $100-million Ivey project, included as one of the university's planned future projects in the 2008-09 budget. If the building's pricetag holds close to the current estimate (architects have not been hired), the building would be second only to the $158 million in building permits issued to London Health Sciences Centre (Westminster) as London's most expensive building.

Longstaffe says Ivey is an extraordinarily important part of the university.

"Ivey's students are of the highest academic standing, and its national and international standing contribute enormously to Western's recognition and academic stature around the world," he says.

A new, high-impact facility is required for Ivey to bring together again, with all of the important synergies that this would provide, its growing MBA and MBA classes, which are currently physically separated.

A new facility is required for Ivey to retain its international position in the face of strong competition worldwide, he says.

"Ivey's strong and well-deserved reputation for education at the highest level, coupled with its strong and influential research performance — including an outstanding PhD program, make Ivey one of Western's pre-eminent flagship in Ontario, in Canada and around the world."

"We intend to preserve this advantage in the important areas of HBA, MBA, EMBA, PhD and executive education — where we compete successfully with the best in the world."

Longstaffe says funding needs to be in place before the project can be considered for approval, as Western is unable to take on any additional debt to finance the project.

While Ivey has a strong fundraising plan in place, Western has promised $22.5 million toward the project — once other funding is in place — because the current Ivey facility would be freed-up for other academic purposes.

Some category 2 new construction projects include an astro-materials facility ($26.5 million), performing arts facility ($40 million), musculoskeletal research facility ($25 million) and a new facility for Chemistry and Brain & Mind ($40 million).

The major category 2 renewal projects include $175 million to modernize University College, Dental Sciences, Spencer Engineering, Thames Hall, Music, Elborn and Nursing.

Longstaffe says the projects listed in category 2 are very preliminary, and at this stage, simply provide the government a sense of unmet infrastructure needs.

"You will note that there is a balance between new space and renewal of existing space in these lists," he says. "Renewal of existing infrastructure continues to be as important to Western as the new projects.

Longstaffe says the lists Western provided to the provincial government can be considered for approval on a regular basis. Through this year's annual planning process, further information is being gathered on needs across the university.

"Each and every one of the category 2 projects would require substantial additional discussion and Board (of Governors) approval, and their relative place in our priorities as a university would need to be revisited as a part of our ongoing annual planning processes," he says.

While the provincial government is in the early stages of designing its 10-year, $60-billion public infrastructure plan, Western is able to plan without a concrete timeline.

"You haven't decided anything about a building," he says.

"At this stage, I think that the most important point is that Western has a range of well-developed plans already in place and is working on a list of potential projects to be developed for the future," he says.
Go ahead, just try to do it all!

By Paul Mayne

From an awards dinner and concerts to a parade and, of course, a football game, The University of Western Ontario will be awash with purple pride in coming days as thousands of alumni return to their old stomping ground to reunite with friends for Homecoming 2008.

And it will be a jam-packed weekend of activities.

On Saturday alone, an eager alum could watch the Homecoming parade, cheer on the Mustangs football team, attend an elegant Golden Anniversary Dinner and enjoy an evening with Jazz vocalist Sonja Gustafson.

“This is a weekend you simply won’t want to miss,” says Western alumna and Homecoming Chair Anne Baxter.

“Homecoming is a special time when Western grads return to our beautiful campus, meet with old friends and reminisce at a favourite spot. It’s a time to be proud and to continue to be an integral part of a great university,” Baxter says going to classes on Thursday evening (7 p.m.) with the Annual General Meeting and elections of the Alumni Association.

“Western President Paul Davenport, retiring in 2009, will be Western President time, will be Western President Paul Davenport, retiring in 2009. The last few years I’ve always enjoyed the Homecoming parade and am thrilled by the large crowds that come out for Homecoming – including entertainment by everyone’s favourite, Rich McGhie.

The football game (2 p.m.) should be an exciting match-up as the Mustangs take on the Windsor Lancers. Davenport, a place kicker in high school, will once again kick-start the game.

“I always do the ceremonial kickoff at Homecoming, and many years, with the roll, the ball reaches the end zone,” says Davenport, adding he takes 10 practice kicks at Gibbons on the morning of the game.

“I figure I only have so many good kicks in me, and I don’t want to waste them.”

Graduates of 1988 and earlier will find a fantastic evening in the Great Hall with the Golden Anniversary Dinner set for 7 p.m. If jazz is your style, vocalist Sonja Gustafson (DipMus’01, MA’08), who appeared on the reality-TV series Bathroom Divas for aspiring opera stars and recently released her debut jazz CD, will perform at Maggie’s Supper & Jazz Club (478 Richmond St.) beginning at 8 p.m.

To wrap up the weekend, an early-morning golf tournament (7.30 a.m.) is set for those who want to put their golf swing to the test at Firerock (10545 Oxbow Dr., Komoka).

To finish off the day graduates celebrating reunion years are invited as special guests to a garden reception (1:30 – 3 p.m.) at the home of President Paul Davenport.

“Western has Canada’s largest Homecoming weekend,” Davenport says, “as our graduates often travel great distances to share memories of Western with their families and loved ones.”

“We are a pleasure hearing them speak about their experiences at Western and the difference that the university made in their lives.”

For updated information, visit westernhomecoming.uwo.ca

Schedule of Events

Brescia University College
FRIDAY
7 p.m. - Young Alumniae cocktail classic, Aroma Mediterranean Restaurant (215 Piccadilly St.)
SATURDAY
1 p.m. - Tour of Brescia, Rotunda (Ursuline Hall – GH)
2 p.m. - Anniversary Years’ Tea, Rose Room (GH)
3 p.m. - Women’s panel, Oak Room (GH)
4:30 p.m. - Wine & cheese, Library (St. James building)
SUNDAY
10 a.m. - Mass, Chapel (GH)
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11 a.m.-1 p.m. - College tours
11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. - Hospitality Centre (GH)
12 - 2 p.m. - Buffet luncheon (Great Hall) - $25
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2 p.m. - Alumni/Faculty Conversation (GH)
6 p.m. - Post-Game Cocktails (Old Refectory)
7 p.m. - Homecoming Reunion Dinner (Old Refectory) - $35
Huron University College
FRIDAY
7 - 10 p.m. - Brough Hall gathering (50)
SATURDAY
8 - 10 a.m. - Pancake breakfast (Great Hall - GH) - $10
Homecoming Committee members Yiwen Song and Alicia Kuin prepare to welcome thousands of alumni returning to campus for Homecoming 2008.

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10 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Welcome back booth, Hospitality tent (TD Waterhouse Stadium parking lot). Twenty years of “Canned Food Drive!” Highlights will be rolling and MLIS, MIT and Journalism class photos on display.
HEALTH SCIENCES
11 a.m. - Tent and Pre-Game Luncheon (Beside Arthur & Sonia Labatt Health Sciences Building). Join Dean Jim Weese for a pre-game BBQ luncheon. Tours of Arthur & Sonia Labatt Health Sciences Building available.
IVEY
9 - 11 a.m. - Welcome Back Open House (Ivey Atrium). Join representatives from the deans’ office, faculty and fellow alumni featuring a complimentary continental breakfast, tours of Ivey and Spencer Leadership Centre.
EARTH
12 - 2 p.m. - Reception and Open House (Thompson Engineering building lobby). Student displays of extra-curricular design projects. Spencer and Thompson buildings open for self-guided tours.
SUNSHINE SCHOLL OF MEDICINE & DENTISTRY
8 - 11:30 a.m. - Continuing Medical Education Event (Room M46, Medical Sciences building). Keynote speaker: Dr. Paul Polak, author of “Out of Poverty”, presents “Global Health”
SCHOLIC SCHOLL OF MEDICINE & DENTISTRY
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - Dean’s Homecoming BBQ (Grad Club).
SOCIAL SCIENCE
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. - Open House (Social Science Centre). Visit with current and retired faculty members, E-reflective of people and places from your program, view favourite places on a large-screen demonstration of Google Earth. Families welcome.
by the Government of Alberta and from Ohio State University.

In 1967, he joined the faculty for three seasons, while continuing to lecture at Huron University College. These experiences, as well as my university studies, were life altering.

In 1976, his grandson, Nolan.

For Barry Mitchelson says his academic fame IndUceee

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WH 'Club Hall of Fame

During his years at Western, Joe Dell'Aquila had an impressive

All-Star (1981, 1983 & 1984), MVP for University Athletics (OUAA) 1st Team


International competitions and world arenas.

Joe Dell'Aquila was an outstanding athlete and in 1982 he was

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In 2005.

The W Club Hall of Fame is an annual tradition and recognizes the

Barry Mitchelson was a first

As athletes, coaches and administrators, their contributions have stood out, even in a crowd of exceptional individuals.


And was also team captain. Western

wrestling, and in the community.

Sport and physical activity have done

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and volleyball at the national level.

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The home of the Champions.

While at Western, Moccio met Celine Dion backstage at Alumni Hall, and has honorary degrees from Humber College, Royal Conservatory of Music and Sir George Williams University.

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She lives in Whitby, with her husband and their triplet sons, John, Gala and Queens.

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This year Wesch stepped down

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One of Steph’s biggest successes was the Oscar winning film

She lived and breathed music, at times I felt removed from the rest

She is an Alberta and Canadian tennis champion.

The five of us are

And her husband and young daughter, and is still coaching the Western women’s rugby team.

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By Heather Travis

The University of Western Ontario barely received a passing grade in a U.S.-based evaluation of sustainability and endowment practices at university and college campuses across Canada and the United States.

Western was graded a C- in the sustainability report card. The highest grade was A-; however the average grade was a C+. Gitta Kulczycki, Vice-President (Resources & Operations), says Western's low grade is "a measure of a work in progress."

"I know we are newly involved in pushing this forward and a C is a reflection of that," she says. "I am not discouraged." The university's sustainability efforts have gained momentum over the past 18 months and efforts have gained momentum in the areas of endowment transparency, involvement, transportation, recycling programs, which are measures in food services and operational initiatives to make the campus greener, she adds. "We've got lots to do, we know that. I think it's important to put that in perspective in terms of what our goal is in moving forward."

This is also the first year Western has participated in the report card.

The recent opening of the Buxton Experimental Climate Change Research Centre, as well as development of Western's first green building – the Claudette MacKay-Lassonde Pavilion – demonstrate a commitment to sustainability, she says. In addition, Physical Plant department recently launched a website listing the various sustainability programs and research across campus.

Future building and renovation projects will be LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified, she adds. In the near future, the university will be forming an ad hoc committee of operating staff, researchers, faculty, students and administration to examine sustainability priorities.

As time passes, we'll continue to see ourselves move forward on the sustainability front," she says. "We've got to put it into perspective … then look at these other areas and see what direction we want to head to.

Western received its lowest grades in the areas of endowment transparency and shareholder engagement, both receiving an F. However, Kulczycki says these have not been included in Western's talks on sustainability issues in the past.

She also wants to take a closer look at the measuring stick for the climate change & energy category, which has been an area of improvement in recent months.

Western has mainly focused on greening its operations, such as improving sustainability measures in food services and recycling programs, which are areas that scored highly in the report, notes Kulczycki.

Although Kulczycki says Western can learn from the report and from what other universities are doing, she does not see the low grade as dictating the future of Western's sustainability strategy. "I don't want to plan to the test," she says. "We've got to approach sustainability based on what we see, as an organization, are the right things for us to do."

Not everyone thought the report offered constructive criticism. Will Bortolin, coordinator for the campus group EnviroWestern, calls the report "utterly invalid."

"I think they are trying to judge how sustainable we are, or how good we are in student involvement, based on publicity information," he says.

Although Kulczycki says Western willingly provided information to the study coordinators, Bortolin feels some efforts of student involvement might have been overlooked.

The report gave student involvement a C grade and EnviroWestern is cited as being "an extremely important force for sustainable change on campus." "I don't have a problem with people being critical of the things we are doing … but the way they've carried this out is seen as a joke," he says.

Membership in EnviroWestern is more than 1,200 students, which has grown exponentially from 150 members three years ago, says Bortolin. Although he recognizes Western can do better, he feels the university – especially its students – should have been given more credit for what it has done to date.

"To imply that students aren't involved is a joke," he says.

View the report card at www.greenreportcard.org.
Almost 90,000 high school students and their parents turned out at the Ontario Universities’ Fair (OUF) in Toronto to seek answers and bring them closer to a decision about their ‘first choice’ university.

With brochures, bags and university paraphernalia in hand, high school students had the opportunity to visit with more than 20 universities from across Ontario. Some came prepared with questions and others were blank slates in search of information that will help shape decisions when it’s time to apply to university.

The OUF Fair is the start of the information-gathering process for many senior students. Many students are looking for basic questions to be answered and Engineering Professor Jon Southen, was one of the many faculty and staff members on hand to answer questions about Western.

Southen noticed that questions are similar each year and pretty general. “Some really have an idea about Western and others aren’t sure where London is,” he says. “There is also a little bit of anxiety because they are moving away from home for the first time so once their questions are answered, it puts them at ease.”

This ‘one-stop shopping’ event is a good opportunity to get all of the information they need in one place, he says. “When they take all of the information home to sift through it, it helps make the decision easier because it can be pretty overwhelming.”

The Ontario Universities’ Fair began in 1997 as a tool for helping high school students in the Toronto area gather information about universities in Ontario. The event gives students an opportunity to speak with representatives from across Ontario, about programs, campus life, and anything else that will help them decide which university to choose.

The fair marks the beginning of the recruitment cycle and the start of Western’s school visits. The writer is a communication officer assisting in undergraduate recruitment.

**Why are you considering Western?**

**Chloe Mills**
Grade 12
Port Credit Secondary School
Mississauga, Ontario
“I’m thinking about Western because I have a lot of friends that go there and they rave about it. I also really want to move away from home and London isn’t too far away. I hear that Western’s MIT program is really good and I love the colour purple.”

**Zahra Shaikh**
Grade 12
Mississauga Secondary School
Mississauga, Ontario
“I like the programs Western has to offer, especially Arts and Humanities. I really came here today with a blank mind, not sure where I wanted to go but after talking to the representatives from Western they really have me thinking about going there.”

**David Redvers**
Grade 12
St. Joseph Secondary School
Mississauga, Ontario
“I’m pretty sure I’m going to go to Western because my sister and my dad went there and they both loved it. Western is known for strong academics and a good reputation. Plus I’ve visited the campus when I went to see my sister and it’s really nice.”

Federal candidates at Huron

University Students’ Council and the Huron University College Students’ Council will host an all-candidates debate for the London North Centre candidates. To be held Oct. 7 in the Kingsmill Room at Huron, the debate will highlight issues facing members of the London community, with a special focus on issues in post-secondary education.

Huron Political Science professor Paul Nesbitt-Larkin will moderate the debate, which will feature candidates Mary Ann Hodge (Green Party), Steve Holmes (NDP), Paul Van Meerbergen (Conservative) and Glen Pearson (Liberal).

**IN MEMORIAM**

**ANASTASIA MAIOPoulos**

Former University of Western Ontario Food Services staff member, Anastasia Maiopoulos, died Sept. 22 at the age of 83. A funeral service was held Sept. 25 for Maiopoulos, who retired in 1990 with 10 years of service.

**ARNOTT LAMOND**

Arnott Lamond, a University of Western Ontario police officer until his retirement in 1987, died Sept. 14 at the age of 77. A funeral service was held Sept. 24 for Lamond, who had 18 years of service.
Therapy trumps surgery for some stroke risk

Research shows that with more intensive medical therapy, the risk of stroke has become so low that at least 95 per cent of patients with asymptomatic carotid stenosis (ACS) would be better off with medical therapy than with surgery or stenting.

ACS is a narrowing in the carotid artery, which supplies blood to the brain, which has not yet resulted in a stroke or transient ischemic attack (TIA). In the United States, one-half to two-thirds of patients subjected to surgery for revascularization are asymptomatic.

David Spence of Robarts Research Institute at The University of Western Ontario presented his findings last week at the World Stroke Congress in Vienna, Austria. Spence is Director of the Stroke Prevention & Atherosclerosis Research Centre, a professor of neurology and clinical pharmacology at Western’s Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, and author of “How to Prevent Your Stroke”.

Spence says the less than five per cent of ACS patients who could benefit from revascularization can be identified with a procedure called Transcranial Doppler Embolus Detection. A helmet is placed on the head to hold ultrasound probes in place, and the arteries inside the head are monitored for microemboli, small blood clots or chunks of plaque that break off from the narrowing in the carotid artery and go into the brain arteries.

The historical benefit of revascularization for ACS was based on less intensive medical therapy than is now prevalent.

“Since the risk of surgery is four to five per cent, patients without microemboli are better off with medical therapy including medications and lifestyle modifications. Only the ones with microemboli would benefit from carotid endarterectomy or stenting.”

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The above information is also available in a number of heritage and Aboriginal languages on the Elections Canada Web site at www.elections.ca. 
Boyden, First Nations kick off London Reads

By Heather Travis

Get your bookmarks ready, London Reads is announcing its next five book titles and the 2007-08 winning author will be on hand to kick off the event.

Three Day Road author, Joseph Boyden, will be participating in the opening ceremony on Wednesday, Oct. 8 at the Wolf Performance Hall at London's Central Library. The event, which starts at 7 p.m., kicks off the 2008-09 all-star edition of London Reads and features a traditional First Nations Welcome ceremony and an interview with Boyden by Rogers Television news director George Clark.

Boyden will read two passages from his winning book, as well as a selection from his latest novel, Through Black Spruce. A book sale and signing will follow. London Reads, initially launched as Western Reads, was started as part of The University of Western Ontario’s 125th anniversary celebrations in 2003. The program, which was modeled after CBC Radio’s Canada Reads, promotes Canadian authors and the importance of literacy. The community is invited to read along with and engage local celebrity panelists as they deliberate the merits of Canadian fiction.

This year’s list of books and 10 panelists, who are winners from the past five years, will be announced during the event. The locations of the monthly book club meetings will be named. Tickets for the event are $30, which includes admission and signed copy of Boyden’s new book Through Black Spruce. General admission to the event is $5.00 and tickets are available at The Book Store at Western, 519-661-3520 x84573; Books Plus, 519-661-4091; and the Community Outreach & Program Services at the Central Library, 519-661-5120. Proceeds from the event benefit A Book For Every Child.

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Grad students find cash in Dragon’s Den

By Heather Travis

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two graduate students at The University of Western Ontario were offered a $200,000 deal to partner with CBC’s Dragon’s Den panelists.

Medical biophysics Master’s students Rupal Rupsingh and Stephen Beath — founders of SoftShell Computers — were featured on the season premiere of the entrepreneurial reality show which aired on Sept. 29.

Dragon’s Den allows aspiring entrepreneurs to pitch their business ideas and products to a panel of Canadian business moguls who decide whether to invest their own time and money into the venture.

The pair presented their computer software program that helps seniors navigate the Internet and other computer-based programs. After successfully wooing three of the five panelists, Rupsingh and Beath were offered $200,000 for a 50-per-cent share of their company.

Dragons Arlene Dickinson, a renowned Canadian independent marketing communications entrepreneur, Robert Herjavec, information technology security and infrastructure integration guru, and Jim Treliving, founder of the Boston Pizza franchise, were all sold on the idea of making computers easier for seniors.

“Dragon’s Den was definitely one of the most intimidating tasks I’ve ever done — seven hot lights and 10 cameras bearing down on us from all sides,” says Rupsingh. “Not to mention, a panel of five dragons up on a pedestal, looking down on us.”

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Weese reappointed dean

Health Sciences Dean Jim Weese has been reappointed for another term, beginning on July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2015. Weese will be entitled to a one-year study leave, commencing next July.

Weese’s reappointment was the unanimous recommendation of a Senate selection committee. His first term, which began in 2004, was characterized as successful in advancing the University of Windsor and holds a PhD from Ohio State University.

Weese is a graduate of the University of Windsor and holds a PhD from Ohio State University. He came to Western from the University of Windsor, where he served as dean of Human Kinetics. His academic specialization includes sport management and executive leadership in sport.

“We are very pleased that Jim Weese has agreed to serve a second term as dean of Health Sciences,” says Provost and Vice-President (Academic) Fred Longstaffe, Chair of the Selection Committee.

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LANXESS seeks to energize research

BY PAUL MAYNE

With a company slogan of ‘energizing chemistry’, the relocation of LANXESS Inc. to The University of Western Research and Development Park is considered “a perfect fit” for the global research and development group.

Currently operating in Sarnia, the move to London will also bring the global responsibility for research and development of butyl and butyl-like elastomers. Three world-scale rubber-manufacturing sites in Belgium, Canada and Singapore will be supported by the LANXESS site at the research park. Relocation to the 60,000-square-foot London site, which will support 120 employees, will be completed by the end of 2009.

Surface Science Western, a main campus consulting and research lab providing analytical services to industries producing metallic and plastic components, is a facility with a staff of 14 scientists and engineers that will join LANXESS in the new facility.

“This move certainly strengthens the LANXESS commitment to innovation and growth in butyl manufacturing both in Canada and globally,” Ralf Schenkel, head of Global Research & Development for Butyl Rubber, told Western News in an interview.

“Our company looked for a location linked with a leading research-intensive university.” LANXESS is a leader in specialty chemicals with 2007 sales of more than $10 billion and around 15,200 employees in 21 countries. The core business of LANXESS is the development, manufacture and sale of specialty chemicals, plastics, rubber and intermediates.

Schenkel says the new facility aims to create a global centre of excellence for material research and give LANXESS researchers access to people and equipment at all academic levels, plus the added synergies of collaborating in a multidisciplinary environment.

LANXESS looked globally when looking to relocate its research and development group, including Asia, Europe and other parts of Canada, he says. But the Western research park ultimately stood out among other potential sites for a number of reasons.

“It was a combination of many things,” says Schenkel. “Certainly, Ontario is a good place to conduct research and development, and coming to the research park you enter an environment with start-up companies. You’re also close to the university, which gives you access to cutting-edge technology.”

Schenkel says the potential for collaboration is strong for a wide variety institutions, business and industry, adding Western will be part of that partnership.

“There are collaborations ongoing and there is a definite interest to deepen that relationship,” says Schenkel.
Deployed peacekeeping veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) have significant impairments in health-related quality of life according to research by Dr. Donald Richardson and his co-investigators. Richardson is a consultant psychiatrist with the Operational Stress Injury Clinic at Parkwood Hospital, part of St. Joseph’s Health Care, London and a professor with the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry at the University of Western Ontario. His team studied 125 male, deployed Canadian Forces peacekeeping veterans who were referred for a psychiatric assessment. The average age was 41, and they averaged 16 years of service. The most common military theatre in which they served was the Balkan states (Bosnia, Croatia, former Yugoslavia, and Kosovo), with 83 per cent having exposure to combat or a war zone.

The research, published this month in the Canadian Journal of Psychiatry, found anxiety disorders such as PTSD are associated with impaired quality of life, especially emotional well-being. “This finding is important to clinicians working with the newer generation of veterans, as it stresses the importance of including measures of quality of life when evaluating veterans to better address their rehabilitation needs,” says Richardson. “It is not enough to measure symptom changes with treatment; we need to objectively assess if treatment is improving their quality of life and how they are functioning in their community.” While the relationship among PTSD and physical and mental health impairment is well developed in combat veterans, it is less studied among the deployed peacekeeping veteran population. Peacekeepers are exposed to traumatic events which they are helpless to prevent under the United Nations rules of engagement, which state soldiers must show restraint and neutrality. The feeling of being unable to control a situation at the time of trauma is an important risk factor for developing PTSD.
Learning disability behind ‘not good at math’

Although public school has been back for only a month, many children are likely already experiencing frustration and confusion in math class. Research at The University of Western Ontario could change the way we view math difficulties and how we assist children who face those problems.

Daniel Ansari is an assistant professor and Canada Research Chair in Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience in the Department of Psychology at Western. He is using brain imaging to understand how children develop math skills, and what kind of brain development is associated with those skills.

Research shows that many children who experience mathematical difficulties have developmental dyscalculia – a syndrome that is similar to dyslexia, a learning disability that affects a child’s ability to read. Children with dyscalculia often have difficulty understanding numerical quantity. For example, they find it difficult to connect abstract symbols, such as a number, to the numerical magnitude it represents. They can’t see the connection, for instance, between five fingers and the number “5.” This is similar to children with dyslexia who have difficulty connecting sounds with letters.

In a recent study Ansari and graduate student Ian Holloway showed that children who are better at connecting numerical symbols and magnitudes are also those who have higher math scores. A report of this research is forthcoming in the Journal of Experimental Child Psychology. Ansari says parents and teachers are often not aware that developmental dyscalculia is just as common as developmental dyslexia and is frequently related to dyslexia. There is a great need to increase public awareness of developmental dyscalculia.

“Research shows that many children have both dyslexia and dyscalculia. We are now exploring further the question of exactly what brain differences exist between those who have just math problems and those who have both math and reading difficulties,” says Ansari.

Using functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (fMRI) to study the brains of children with math difficulties, it becomes clear that children with developmental dyscalculia show different activation patterns in a part of the brain called the parietal cortex.

This research holds promise for people who, in the past, had simply accepted that they are ‘not good at math.’ Understanding the causes and brain correlates of dyscalculia may help to design remediation tools to improve the lives of children and adults with the syndrome.

“We have some cultural biases in North America around math skills,” says Ansari. “We think that people who are good at math must be exceptionally intelligent, and even more dismaying and damaging we have an attitude that being bad at math is socially acceptable. People, who would never dream of telling others they are unable to read, will proclaim publicly they ‘flunked math.’ Math skills are important to life success and children who suffer math difficulties may avoid careers that, with help, might be a great fit for them.

Ansari is a recipient of an Early Researcher Award grant from the Ontario government and a CIHR grant. Ansari recently reviewed existing research in this field for the April edition of the journal Nature Reviews Neuroscience, and he hopes news of this research will also reach parents, teachers and individuals.

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Department of History Seminar – Eli Nathans, Western. “Interpreting the United States for West Germans: Peter von Zahn’s Radio and Television Broadcasts from the 1950’s” SSC, Rm. 4317, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Physics & Astronomy Colloquium – Evelyne Jacquin, Royal Military College of Canada. “Magnetism and rotation in the young Herbig Ae/Be stars” Physics & Astronomy 123. 1:30 p.m.

Faculty Mentor Program – “Dipping Deeper – Internal Grants Programs” Feature presentation and discussion. Dr. Gerald Kiefer, Assistant Vice-President (Research) and Professor of Physiology & Pharmacology. Program details and registration availability at www.uwo.ca/occ 1:30–3 p.m., Room 322,eldon Library.

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Don Wright Faculty of Music – Join Peter Shackleton and Tina Trench for an evening of music for clarinet and piano. Works by Milhaud, Brahms and Murayama. von Kuster Hall, 8 p.m.

Modern Languages and Literatures and the Istituto Italiano di Cultura present Professor Massimo Montanari, University of Bologna, Italy. “Cuisine and Italian Identity” Conron Hall, University College, Room 224 Admission free. 8 p.m.

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Department of Geography – “Global Climate Change Negotiations: An Insider’s Perspective” Radoslav Dimitrov, Political Science, Western. Middlesex College, 105B, 3 p.m.

Department of Philosophy – Pamela Hieronymus, UCLM. “Of Metahistories and Motivation” TC 341, 3:30 – 5 p.m.

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Men’s Basketball – McMaster at Western (Brescia gym) 1 p.m.

Men’s Water Polo – McMaster at Western (Canada Games Aquatic Centre) 6 p.m.

London Reads 2008 Grand Finale – Joseph Boyden, the author of Three Day Road, will do a reading from his new novel, Through Black Spruce. A local First Nations drumming group will open the event at 7 p.m., and George Clark, News Director, Rogers Television, will interview the author. Tickets can be purchased at The Book Store at Western, UCC, 519-661-3500 x 84873. Books Plus, 519-661-4091 or Central Library, 519-661-5120. For more information about London Reads: www.londonreads.uwo.ca/ 7 p.m.

Men’s Basketball – Mohawk College at Western.

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Faculty & Staff

Doreen Bartlett, from the School of Physical

Therapy, attended the American Academy for

Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine

annual conference in Atlanta, Ga, from Sept

17-21. She presented a paper entitled “Exercise

participation of adolescents with cerebral palsy

with colleague Bart Galuppi from CanChild (cen-

tre for Childhood Disability Research), and two

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