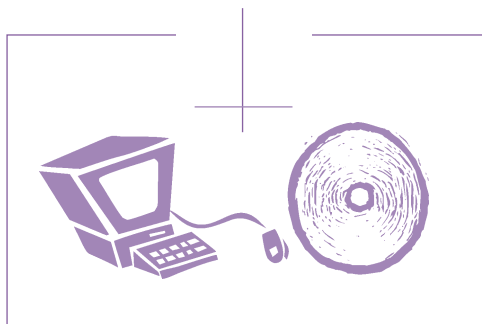




DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

The Department of Graduate Education has been accepted as full a member of the Educational Software Preview Guide (ESPG) Consortium, which represents computer education organizations throughout America. Throughout the year members work with educators, library media specialists, professors and education students as they study the use of educational software in the preK-12 classroom. Each year the consortium consolidates their software review information into the ESPG Directory. The Educational Software Preview Guide, now in its 21st year, lists over 1,000 titles of favorably reviewed software for preK-12 classroom use. Saint Michael's education faculty and students will review approximately 100 pieces of software each year and select the most appropriate to have available free to the College.



On October 25-27 Saint Michael's will sponsor an interdisciplinary symposium on "Ethics, Spirituality and the Environment."

This symposium is modeled on other interdisciplinary events held in the mid to late 1990's, and is one of many activities planned and organized by the Center for Faith and Culture at the College over the coming year. Seven faculty members from Saint Michael's and the University of Vermont will present papers related to the broad topic of the symposium, representing a wide array of disciplines in the sciences, social sciences and humanities. Faculty members presenting papers include: **KAIYA ANSORGE**, **DOUGLAS GREEN**, **NAT LEWIS**, **REZA RAMAZANI** and **CHRISTINA ROOT**.

This semester, courses in botany (BI247) and education (ED241, 331, 231, 401 and 417) are participating in the Vermont Humanities Counsel initiative "Vermont Reads *Seedfolks*." *Seedfolks*, a bestselling book, was written by Paul Fleischman and explores how gardening can serve as a common focal point for a diverse community. In keeping with the theme of this work, members of the community, including education professors **MARY BETH DOYLE**, **JONATHAN SILVERMAN**, **JAMES NAGLE** and **VALERIE BANG-JENSEN**, biology professor **MARK LUBKOWITZ**, and their classes, will be participating in the "Statewide One-Book Community Reading Program."

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The following students and faculty members presented the results of their research at the recent annual retreats of Vermont EPSCoR (funded by National Science Foundation) and the Vermont Genetics network (funded by National Institutes of Health).

EPSCoR Presentations:

- **JOANNA ELLIS-MONAGHAN** (mathematics), **GRETA PANGBORN** (computer science), **JAMEY LEWIS** (student); Graph-theoretical techniques for netlist layout: collaboration with Paul Gutwin of Cadence Design Systems
- **WILLIAM KARSTENS** (physics), **IAN GUERTIN** (student); Optical Properties of Graphite
- **MALCOLM LIPPERT** (biology); Does the error-prone DNA polymerase zeta participate in Transcription-Associated Mutation (TAM) in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*? Collaboration with Nayun Kim and Sue Jinks-Robertson of Emory University
- **MARK LUBKOWITZ** (biology), **KRISTYN DUMONT** and **PAT BAFUMA** (students); The role of peptide transporters in rice seed germination
- **ALAYNE SCHROLL** (chemistry) and **JACLYN ROTONDO** (student); Synthesis, Characterization and Use of New Selenocysteine Derivatives

VGN Presentations:

- **JOANNA ELLIS-MONAGHAN** (mathematics); Plenary lecture Graph Models for DNA Structures.
- Student posters on work with Jo Ellis-Monaghan (Mathematics): **MARY COX**, "Knots and the Stuck Unknot in Hydrocarbon Chains", **MARISA DEBOWSKI**, "Intersections of Topological Graph Theory and Bimolecular Computing", **JESSICA SCHELD**, "Eulerian Circuits and DNA Sequencing"
- **VALERIE BANSCHBACH** (biology), **ANN BRUNELLE**, **ANNIE GULKA** and **MARGARET HOLMES** (students), "Ants as Bioindicators: Habitat Fragmentation Affects Ant Social Structure"
- **BRET FINDLEY** (Chemistry) and **IAN STANTON** (student), "The Photoexcitation of Remote Electron Donors and Acceptors in the Charge Transfer Band"
- **MARK LUBKOWITZ** (biology), **KRISTYN DUMONT** and **PAT BAFUMA** (students), "Oligopeptides Transporters are Expressed during Germination on Rice"
- **DECLAN MCCABE** (biology), **KAREN FRADETTE** and **AMY USOWSKI** (students), "Effects of Habitat Structure and Risk of Cannibalism in Life-History Traits of Red Swamp Crayfish"



FACULTY/STAFF NEWS

GEORGE ASHLINE, associate professor in the School of International Studies, was invited to contribute a chapter “Teaching Reading to Adult ESL/EFL Students Revisited” to an applied linguistic book *Life in Language*. The book was published in July, 2005.

CHRISTINE BAUER-RAMAZANI, instructor in the School of International Studies, has authored a chapter on “Training CALL Teachers Online,” to be included in the book *Teacher Education in CALL* (eds. Phil Hubbard and Michael Levy), and published by John Benjamins in 2006. The chapter discusses the interactive, collaborative and task- or project-based approach to online teaching and learning that she has incorporated into online course on “Computer-Assisted Language Learning” (CALL) that she has taught in the graduate MATESL and MED programs at Saint Michael’s College since Spring 2000. The book will be part of the Language Learning and Language Teaching series edited by Jan Hulstijn and Nina Spada.

ANNE BLAIR, assistant women’s ice-hockey coach, has had her position increased to full time. She has been with the team for three seasons.

JAMES BYRNE, associate professor of religious studies, is a leading contributor to the *Encyclopedia of Christianity* (ed. John Bowden), recently published by Oxford University Press. The encyclopedia is the most comprehensive one-volume guide to global Christianity ever published. Containing over 300 major articles by some of the world’s foremost scholars of Christianity, the encyclopedia has entries on key figures and events from Christian history, regional surveys, portraits of denominations and sects, explorations of theological and moral questions, relationships with other faiths, a “Who’s Who?” of Christianity, and a comprehensive timeline. Byrne contributed seven articles, a number exceeded only by one other contributor, the editor. His entries are on: Karl Barth, Humanism, Enlightenment, Natural Theology, Neo-Orthodox theology, Friedrich Schleiermacher and Thomism.

DOUG FACEY, professor of biology, was named executive director of the Lake Champlain Research Consortium (LCRC). The LCRC is composed of seven academic institutions located within the Lake Champlain Basin (Saint Michael’s College, Middlebury College, University of Vermont, Johnson State College, Plattsburgh State University, Castleton State College, Green Mountain College), and was formed in 1991

to coordinate and facilitate research and scholarship of the Lake Champlain ecosystem and related issues, provide opportunities for training and education of students on lake issues, and to aid in the dissemination of information gathered through lake endeavors. Doug is being assisted by LCRC administrator **MEG PROVOST**, in the Provost’s Office.

HIDEKO FURUKAWA, instructor of Japanese, and John Graves, manager of the Language Learning Resource Center, had a presentation on “Effective Ways to Use the ‘Smart Board’ in Japanese Language Class” at the New England Association of Teachers of Japanese at the Brown University on June 11, 2005.

TRACI GRIFFITH, assistant professor of journalism, will be hosting Vermont Public Radio’s call-in program “Switchboard” on Thursday nights during October. She will discuss various media issues like product placement as a form of advertising and the recent ruling against WCAX-TV that forces the station to turn over unaired videotapes of the riots at UVM last fall.



DECLAN McCABE, assistant professor of biology, had his study with Mark Beekey, Anna Mazloff and Ellen Marsden on the effects of zebra mussels on locally endangered lake sturgeon accepted for publication in *Aquatic Conservation: Marine and Freshwater Ecosystems*. This paper is the result of experiments conducted in the Rubenstein Ecosystem Science Laboratory and supported by funding from the Sea Grant Program.

ELIZABETH INNESS-BROWN, professor of English, appeared on a panel at the Burlington Literary Festival, “What Makes Writers Write?” with authors Marc Estrin and Mark Pendergrast.

WILL MENTOR, associate professor of fine arts, had an exhibition of his paintings, “Bionic Farm,” at the Karalyn Sherwood Gallery in Des Moines, Iowa, throughout the month of September.

JAMES NAGLE, assistant professor of education, will be presenting a paper entitled “Performance Assessment for California Teachers (PACT) Teaching Event: Using a State Accountability Measure of Teaching to Enhance Critically Reflective Practice” at the Annual Conference of the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education in San Diego, California, in January 2006.

TARA NATARAJAN, assistant professor of economics, published “Agency of Development and Agents of Change: Localization, Resistance and Empowerment” in the *Journal of Economic Issues* Volume XXXIX Number 2 June 2005, a publication sponsored by The Association for Evolutionary Economics (AFEE), an organization of institutional economists with members throughout the United States, Canada, Latin America, Western Europe, and Asia. Tara also participated in an international workshop, “Institutions and Economic Development,” at the University of Hertfordshire, England, featuring leading international scholars in the field of development studies. The 50 participants were selected upon application. Her attendance was funded with support of a Faculty Development Grant.

In June 2005, **BONALYN NELSEN**, associate professor of business administration and accounting, presented a paper entitled “Using Theories of Stigma and Impression Management to Understand and Evaluate Remedial Strategies Following Tourism Crisis” at the BEST EN Think Tank V on Managing Risk and Crisis for Sustainable Tourism, held at The University of the West Indies, Kingston, Jamaica. This paper was accepted for publication in the conference’s refereed proceedings. During the conference, Bonalyn also served on a panel tasked with crafting a research agenda for future inquiry into the subject of tourism crisis planning and remediation. The BEST EN Think Tank is an international working group of scholars and practitioners dedicated to research and curriculum development on emerging topics and issues in the field of travel and tourism studies.

MARK NIGRINI, assistant professor of business administration and accounting, delivered the plenary session at the 14th annual conference of the International Association of Airline Internal Auditors in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on September 26, 2005. His session was “Techniques and Technologies for Continuous Monitoring in The Airline Industry.” The conference was attended by 100 internal auditors from airlines throughout the world.

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HAITI SOLIDARY WEEK OCTOBER 2-7

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

9:00 A.M. *registration*, 10:00 A.M. *walk*
A **Walk for Haiti** from **Oakledge Park to North Beach and back**. The seven-mile walk is a fund-raiser for medical and educational supplies for the Haitian village of Petit Bourg. Contact **Kathie Balutansky** x2640 for information.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2 TO FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

An exhibit of **photographs by Daniel Morel**, co-producer of “Unfinished Country,” a film about Haiti’s struggle to create democracy, in the foyer of the **Durick Library**.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3

7:00 P.M.
The film “**Unfinished Country**,” shown in the **Farrell Room**, examines Haiti’s democracy struggle.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4

7:00 P.M.
“Elections again. Can Haiti and the International Community get it Right this Time?” in the **Hall of Fame Room**. Jane Regan and Daniel Morel will show portions of their documentary, **Haiti: Unfinished Country**, and discuss the Haitian Elections planned for November 2005.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

8:00 P.M.
Saint Michael’s and the Vermont Council on World Affairs will name Senator James Jeffords as the first VCWA Citizen Diplomat of the Year in the **Ross Sports Center**. **Lester Brown**, founder, president and senior researcher of Earth Policy Institute, will then speak on “The Global Water Crisis.”

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

9:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.
Global Water Resources Symposium in the **McCarthy Arts Center** will feature Jeff Albert of the Center for Environmental Studies at Brown University as keynote speaker for the day-long conference.

7:00 P.M.
Hispanic Heritage Month event: **Cesar Chavez Peace & Justice Award Ceremony 2005** to be given to the Rev. Maurice Ouellet, SSE, Edmundite father and Civil Rights activist. **Marta Umazor**, associate professor of modern languages, will make the presentation in the International Commons building.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

8:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.
Saint Michael’s hosts a program presented by the Office of Catholic Formation, Diocese of Burlington, “**Gifts for the Kingdom: One Heart, One Soul, One God.**” The programs include Mass celebrated by the Most Reverend Salvatore Matano, co-adjutor bishop of Burlington, keynote speaker Brother Mickey O’Neill McGrath, OSFS, lunch, exhibits, roundtable discussions and workshops. For information, or to register, contact the Office of Catholic Formation at 658-6110.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14

12:00 P.M.
Reflections on Columbus Day, in the **Vermont Room**. A panel of faculty and staff will discuss the legacy of Columbus and whether our society should celebrate Columbus Day.

4:00 P.M.
The Kuntz Memorial Lecture, given by Paul Johnson, professor of history at the University of South Carolina, will address his latest book, *Sam Patch, the Famous Jumper*, in the **International Commons building**.

7:30 P.M.
The award-winning early music duo Asteria, featuring soprano Sylvia Rhyne and tenor Eric Redlinger, in a program titled “**Flower of Passion, Thorn of Despair: Chivalry and Courtly Love in the Waning Middle Ages**” in the **McCarthy Arts Center**. Sponsored by the *Humanities Program Concert Series*.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17

4:00 P.M.
Stephen Moore, senior economics writer for *The Wall Street Journal* speaking on “**The Ownership Society**” in the **International Commons**. Moore was founder and president, of the Club for Growth and is the author of *Bullish on Bush: How the Ownership Society Will Make America Stronger*.

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SAINT MICHAEL’S COLLEGE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19

7:00 P.M.
Hispanic Heritage Month event: lecture by John W. Lamperti, Dartmouth College emeritus professor of mathematics, on “**A Traitor to his Class: Life and Times of Enrique Alvarez Cordova**” in **Hoehl Welcome Center**.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

6:30 P.M.
Opening reception for exhibition of paintings by **Vermont artist Sally Linder**, “Luminous People and Land:” paintings of Diepsloot, Zandspruit and Soweto, South Africa, in the **McCarthy Arts Center gallery**. (The paintings will be on display Oct. 3 to Nov. 3. McCarthy gallery hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday.)

7:30 P.M.
Saint Michael’s and the Vermont Council on World Affairs present the Honorable **Barbara Masekela**, South Africa’s Ambassador to the United States, speaking at the **McCarthy Arts Center**.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

12:00 P.M.
The Women’s Caucus at Saint Michael’s College is sponsoring a **brown bag luncheon** to welcome new employees in the **Women’s Center**. Dessert, beverages and information about the Women’s Caucus will be provided. *R.S.V.P.* **Chris Clary** (cclary@smcvt.edu), **Diana Hoppe** (dhoppe@smcvt.edu), **Michele McCaffrey** (mmccaffrey@smcvt.edu) or **Marilyn Scoville** (mscoville@smcvt.edu).

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

7:00 P.M.
“**Vokalkreis Grosenhain**,” a chamber choir of 25 singers from the Elbtal region of Germany, in a concert of sacred music in the **Chapel**.



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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

7:00 P.M.

Saint Michael's and the Friends of Indian Music and Dance present the **Dancing Duo "Kathak Gunjan!"**, in a performance of classical Indian dance in the **McCarthy Arts Center**. Free to Saint Michael's students. (Pre-concert events from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24

6:30 P.M.

The Native American film **"In Light of Reverence"** in Alliot Student Center **Vermont Room**. The film, which will be followed by a panel discussion, explores the threat to Native American culture caused by the dismantling of sacred sites.

7:00 P.M.

Rebecca Mecuri, a forensic computer scientist and president/CTO of Notable Software, speaks on **"E-voting: Perils and Promises"** in the **McCarthy Arts Center**.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

12:30 to 5:30 P.M.

MOVE sponsors a **Blood Drive**, in the **Ross Sports Center** from 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27

12:00 P.M.

Mark Chater, who teaches at Bishop Grosseteste College in London and is an international consulting editor for the *International Journal of Children's Spirituality*, speaks on "Church Universities in a Free Market World: Challenges and Opportunities for Educators, Administrators and Theologians" in the **Farrell Room**.

4:00 P.M.

Alan Helms, retired U/Mass professor of English, reading from his memoir, *Young Man from the Provinces: A Gay Life Before Stonewall*, in **Cheray 111**. Sponsored by the Multicultural Programming Committee and ALLY.

4:30 P.M.

Mark Chater speaks on "Transatlantic Perspective on the Spiritual, Ethical and Religious Nature of Children and Adolescents" in **Alliot Hall**.

7:00 P.M.

Hispanic Heritage Month event: **Marta Umanzor**, associate professor of modern languages, lecturing on "The Poetic of Pablo Neruda" in the **Hoehl Welcome Center**.

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SAINT MICHAEL'S COLLEGE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

5:00 P.M.

The third annual **Harvest Festival** in the **Tarrant Recreation Center** for children and families. Refreshments. (\$2 per child)

8:00 to 11:00 P.M.

Hispanic Heritage Month event: **Festa Latina** in the **International Commons**. *Salsa, meringue y bachata*.



FACULTY/STAFF NEWS CONTINUED...

PAUL OLSEN, acting associate director of the MSA program, presented a paper on April 28 at the New England Educational Research Association's (www.neero.org) annual conference in Northampton Massachusetts. NEERO is "a regional research organization with approximately 200 members from colleges and universities, public and private schools, state and local educational agencies, health and social service agencies, and private education firms." His presentation, part of the Issues in Applied Measurement and Assessment session, was "Parallels Between the Lavender and Glass Ceilings."

R. MICHAEL OLSON, assistant professor of philosophy, had his article, "Real Apprehension in Newman's An Essay in Aid of a Grammar of Assent," accepted for publication in the *International Philosophical Quarterly* (December '05).

RAYMOND A. PATTERSON, assistant professor of Religious Studies, presented the paper, "The Flag and Cross on Sacred Soil: Education and Patriotism at the Catholic Summer School of America (1892-1941)," at the Spring Meeting of the American Catholic Historical Association at the University of Dayton. In August, he was the keynote speaker for the three-day retreat of the Lay Ministry Training Program of the Diocese of Burlington, giving presentations on the Communion of Saints, the Eucharist, and Living in the post-Vatican II Church.

PETER TUMULTY, professor of philosophy, presented a paper entitled: "Competing Ways of Seeing the Role of the Humanities in the Promotion of a Global Culture of Human Rights: A Philosophical Reflection" at the Third International Conference on New Directions in the Humanities held at Cambridge University, England, in August.

TIM WHITEFORD, associate professor of education, is co-presenting a paper at the Vermont Council of Teachers of Mathematics conference on October 21 with Penny Stearns, the math education coordinator with the Burlington School District. Their topic is the different meanings associated with the four basic operations used in problem-solving at the elementary school level. ■

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