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Amazing Race: Kitchener-Waterloo

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"On a weekend in November, six teams of 4 set off on a race around the Kitchener area. It was tough, it was grueling, it was mentally and physically challenging, but you gotta see it to believe it!" explains Mike Skeoch in the trailer for Grebel's first Amazing Race-Kitchener-Waterloo, a spin-off of the CBS Reality adventure series.

In the summer of '05 CBS had begun airing its 8th season of the Amazing Race with fans on the edge of their seats watching as participants raced around the U.S. for the chance to win a million dollars. Mike Skeoch, a 4th year student and self-professed die-hard race fan, thought to himself, "If you can't be on the show, why don't you do the next best thing..." This simple concept

evolved into a large-scale event with 15 volunteers, corporate sponsorship from Grand River Transit, and a production crew that captured "every clue, every sprint, and just about every critical moment of the race on video," says Skeoch.

The race began on Friday afternoon with 6 teams of four students each lined up on the field behind Grebel anxiously anticipating their first clue. The first leg took the teams to a couple of stops on the UW campus, Victoria Park in Kitchener, Kitchener City Hall, the Aud, and Wilfrid Laurier University. Throughout the race each team had to complete a variety of challenges and obstacles in order to move on to next leg of the race. The race consisted of 4 legs with a pitstop at the end of each leg where teams could rest before receiving their next clue. The last team to arrive at each pitstop was eliminated. In the end, 3 teams were left to run the final leg, and the first team to cross the finish line was named the winner!

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Henry Paetkau Re-appointed



"The College community is blessed to have been guided by the solid leadership of President Paetkau over the past three years," says Dawn Regier, chair of the Board of Governors of Conrad Grebel University College. The Board announced Paetkau's re-appointment in a letter to the College community on December 12.

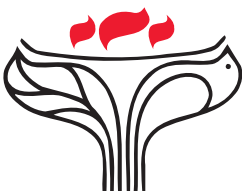
Paetkau has completed three years of an initial four-year term as President of Conrad Grebel, which began in January 2003.

A Board committee recently conducted a review of Paetkau's first 3 years in office, soliciting feedback from a wide variety of individuals within and

external to the College community. The 17-member Board of Governors includes representatives from Mennonite Church Eastern Canada, alumni and other community leaders.

"I am fully confident that Grebel can become an even stronger and more vital institution under Henry's continued leadership," says Regier.

Paetkau says "It's a wonderful privilege to be part of what's happening at Grebel. The College is poised to build on the strengths of its unique programs, its outstanding faculty and staff, and its strong constituency support. I look forward to leading Grebel through its next phase of growth and development."



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On one of the pitstops, competitors slept in the basement of St. Jacob's Mennonite Church. On the second night, some Grebel associates let the competitors use their house.

The first episode premiered on January 2nd to over 140 people in the Grebel dining hall. The remaining episodes will be shown throughout the term. At the end of the term, a DVD of the race, including behind the scenes footage and other extras, will be released to the public. Proceeds from the sale of the DVDs will be invested in the Grebel Student Council fund. Season 2 is planned for September '07.

Tune in to grebel.uwaterloo.ca to view the trailer for the Amazing Race and learn what Student Council has in store for next term.

During the winter term, Student Council is also busy with the production of 'Footloose.' This high-energy musical tells the story of a rebellious boy from Chicago who moves to a small farming community that does not share his love for music. An underlying theme in the musical is the story of a father longing for the son he lost and of a young man yearning for the father who walked out on him.

Casting has been finalized and students have begun rehearsing two nights a week, upwards of fourteen hours a week. 'Footloose' premieres March 16th at 8:00 p.m. in the Humanities Theatre at the University of Waterloo. It runs until March 18th, ending with two shows at 2:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$12 for students/seniors and are available by calling 519-888-4908.

Ron Mathies is Grebel's First Rodney and Lorna Sawatsky Visiting Scholar



Ron Mathies' significant contribution to the field of Peace and Conflict Studies (PACS) was recognized by Conrad Grebel University College when he was named the inaugural Rodney

and Lorna Sawatsky Visiting Scholar.

"Ron is well-known locally and within the international NGO community for his leadership and vision on issues of service, development, and international peacemaking," said Marlene Epp, chair of the Sawatsky Scholar Committee.

In the aftermath of the 2004 Tsunami disaster, Mathies has been on the local and international stage more than ever. In December, 2005 Mathies visited Grebel to deliver the Rodney and Lorna Sawatsky Visiting Scholar Lecture entitled "Responding to the Tsunami and Civil War Crises: Report from Indonesia and Sudan." He reported on his fact-finding trip to these countries on behalf of Mennonite Central Committee. Mathies also addressed how Mennonite Central Committee responded to Asian and global crises over the past year and presented several global issues that need similar commitment and response from the world community.

Ron Mathies was the Executive Director of Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) from 1996 to 2005. He is the

former Director of Peace and Conflict Studies at Conrad Grebel and former MCC Southern Africa Coordinator and Malawi Country Representative.

The Sawatsky Scholar Committee noted that "as the Sawatsky Visiting Scholar, Ron would have the opportunity to debrief and reflect on his important contributions to service and development over the past decade."

In keeping with Rod Sawatsky's own diverse academic activity, the Visiting Scholars will be renowned scholars, practitioners and performers whose expertise in their field represents a wide range of interests to the Grebel community. As the Sawatsky Visiting Scholar, Mathies is making presentations and engaging in dialogue in the College's academic and residential programs in addition to the public lecture. As well, he is teaching a PACS course entitled 'Doing Development: Issues of Justice and Peace' and will offer a summer course entitled 'Engaging the World: Case Studies in a Missiology of Service.'

To honour Lorna's involvement and Rod's tenure at Conrad Grebel, the Board of Governors established the 'Rodney and Lorna Sawatsky Visiting Scholar Fund' in 2004. A fundraising dinner and tribute is being held on March 18, 2006 and will feature Jake Jacobsen, co-author of *Gracious Christianity*. ***To purchase tickets and/or to support this fund please contact Fred W. Martin at 519-885-0220 x381 or fwmartin@uwaterloo.ca.***



**Centenary Study Tour
May 11-26, 2006**

Travel Course 2006 - Bonhoeffer: Life and Legacy

This spring, **James Reimer**, Religion and Theology Professor at Conrad Grebel, and **Peter Frick**, Religious Studies Professor at St. Paul's United College, will lead a tour through Germany, Poland, and the Czech Republic to visit the major sites important in the life of one of the most influential theologians of the twentieth century, Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945).

Stops on the tour include his birth place (Breslau), his boyhood home (Berlin), universities attended (Berlin, Tübingen), pastorates (Berlin, and Kozalin in Poland), Confessing Church seminary which he directed (first in Zingst, then in Finkenwalde), the monastery where he stayed during his involvement with the conspiracy against Hitler (Ettal in Bavaria), and prison and concentration camps where he was held and finally executed (Berlin, Buchenwald, and Flossenbürg).

Seats are going fast! For more information and availability contact Jim Reimer at 519-885-0220 x234 or ajreimer@uwaterloo.ca Information is also available at grebel.uwaterloo.ca/gts/bonhoeffer.shtml

Women of MCEC Award Winner

Ellie Huebner, Conrad Grebel University College Master of Theological Studies (MTS) student, was recently presented with the Women of Mennonite Church Eastern Canada (WMCEC) Theological Studies Award. The award is given annually to a female student interested in a church related vocation and "is an important way for the church and the academy to encourage women to train for leadership in the Mennonite church," says Tom Yoder Neufeld, Director of the Graduate Theological Studies program.

Ellie was drawn to the MTS program because it enabled her to gain biblical knowledge and practical application of faith and leadership within the

context of the church, while at the same time studying at a Mennonite institution that encourages community. "I love the studies, the readings, the classes and mostly the dialogue with my colleagues both within and outside the classroom setting. Connecting with one another, gaining in knowledge and resources and continued self discipline will assist me in my future goals," says Ellie.



Ellie Huebner

Ellie served for several years in Appalachia with Mennonite Church Canada, and is now preparing for pastoral

leadership at Shantz Mennonite Church near Baden, beginning in May, 2006. Students and faculty in the MTS program are very supportive of Huebner's future endeavours and "are deeply enriched by her experience, passion, and energy," says Yoder Neufeld. "I have no doubt that she will bring all of those gifts to her pastoral setting. We're delighted that the WMCEC award contributes in such an important way to making that possible."

Ellie plans to continue pursuing further education upon completion of the MTS program and strongly believes that "continual learning for pastors helps one stay engaged, fresh and challenged within one's faith and within one's role in the church."

Resolving Conflict in Faith Communities

On September 1, 2005 Conrad Grebel University College became the first organization in Canada to offer a non-degree certificate program in conflict management for faith leaders, lay leaders and others who are involved in a faith community.

The certificate program addresses issues that are unique to faith communities, some of which stem from deeply held values, identities, group dynamics, and family systems. Other issues include

"personal conflict issues that can affect the faith community," says Mary Lou Schwartzentruber, Certificate Program Manager.

Through experiential learning, participants gain immediately usable conflict management skills by participating in role plays, group work, theory and case study discussions.

Questions addressed include, "What makes a faith community's conflict unique? and "Whose side is God on?"



Workshops are open to anyone with interest in a particular workshop or who may wish to obtain a Certificate in Conflict Management for Faith Communities.

For more information visit grebel.uwaterloo.ca/certificate. Faith Communities workshops are made possible by the Bridgeway Foundation. <http://www.bridgewayfoundation.ca>



Josie Winterfeld ('83) has been hired on contract to be part of the Certificate Program

Grebel Review

The Fall 2005 issue of The Conrad Grebel Review is now available! This issue features the 2005 Bechtel Lectures by Dr. Fernando Enns and papers from 2004 Mennonite Graduate Student Conference.

From the 2005 Bechtel Lectures, **Mennonites: A Peace Church in Conversation**, the selected article is entitled *Dialogue and Diversity in the Ecumenical Movement*.

From the Mennonite Graduate Student Conference 2004, **Religious Texts**, the selected articles include: *Visual Images as Text? Toward a Mennonite Theology of the Arts* by Chad Martin; *The Lost Cause: A Psychoanalytic Reading of the Judeo-Christian Myth of Origin* by Christina Reimer; *The Flooded Text: Finding Dry Land in The Wings of the Dove* by Jacob Jost; *To What Does the Bible Refer? On Metaphor and Analogy* by Phil Enns; *Reading the Moral Law: A Hermeneutical Approach to Religious Moral Epistemology* by David Kratz Mathies and *Origen on the Authorial Intention of Scripture* by Jeremy Bergen.

For single issues or subscriptions, contact: **The Conrad Grebel Review, Conrad Grebel University College, Waterloo, ON N2L 3G6, 519-885-0220 x242 or cgreview@uwaterloo.ca.**



TMTC Grants First A. James Reimer Award

The Toronto Mennonite Theological Centre (TMTC) has named Jonathan Seiling as the first recipient of the A. James Reimer Award. This annual award was established in recognition of Professor Reimer, founding director of TMTC, and his longstanding commitment to theological education at Conrad Grebel University College and the Toronto School of Theology (TST).

Seiling is currently pursuing a doctorate in history, specializing in modern church history. He is analyzing the influence of German idealist philosophy on Russian Orthodoxy in the 20th-century, with a particular focus on the work of theologian Sergei Bulgakov. Prior to his arrival at TST in 2003, Seiling earned a Master of Theological Studies degree from Conrad Grebel University College. His undergraduate degree is an Honours B.A. in Religious Studies from the University of Waterloo, conferred in 1998.



Jonathan Seiling

Reimer himself is delighted that Seiling has won the Reimer Award. "I've had him as a student for both undergraduate and graduate studies," Reimer commented. "Jonathan has a sharp intellect, is full of imaginative curiosity, has traveled widely, especially in Russia, and has a deep commitment to the Mennonite Church along with his ecumenical interests."

This award was established in 2002 by a gift from Alan Armstrong ('94) and Marlys Neufeldt ('95), both alumni of Conrad Grebel, currently living in California. Alan, who was Reimer's student, noted "Jim helped me re-understand biblical texts and church dogma in ways that continue to inspire and strengthen me and my faith." The award supports TST doctoral students of Mennonite identity who associate with TMTC—a graduate teaching and research centre of Conrad Grebel University College, affiliated with TST on the campus of the University of Toronto.

The Jean Caya Music Award

In memory of Jean Caya (1911-2005)



As one of Grebel's newer scholarships, The Jean Caya Music Award is also the largest Music department award, with an endowment fund that exceeds \$194,000.

This award was established in memory of Jean Caya, who started playing the piano when she was a young girl. Jean was a church pianist in her hometown and after marrying and moving to K-W, Jean would often lend her large piano and electric organ for local music performances.

Awarded for the first time this year to first year music students, Katherine Barth and Cecile Michniewicz, the award assists young people who share Jean's love for music.

Recipients of the award are pursuing Music studies at Grebel/UW, make significant contributions to the music program of the College and demonstrate musical and academic ability vocally, instrumentally, and through research.

2005-2006 Scholarship and Award Winners

Conrad Grebel proudly congratulates these scholarship and award winners. On behalf of these students, Grebel wants to thank all those who have set up memorial scholarships and awards to honour members of their family. We also thank friends who have given freely to these funds over the years.

40th Anniversary Award

Hebron Hailu, Ted Sherk, Megan Doyle, Nathan Lichti

A. James Reimer Award

Jonathan Seiling

Alice Eisen Leadership Award

Erin Calder, Kim Harder, Brent Steinmann

Becky Frey Scholarship

Sandra Dyck

Dean's Residence Award

Jenn Toews

Entrance Scholarships

Leah Harder, Ryan Petryschuk

George E. and Louise Schroeder Award

Meagan Doyle, Hiba Khaled

Good Foundation Scholarship

Eric Martin, Alex Wiens

Graduate Student Support Fund

Stacey Thurman, Heather Wilson

Grebel Student Award

Melinde Whitfield, Angie Goertz, Emily Howard

Jacob Andres Scholarship

Ryan Hildebrandt

The Jean Caya Music Award

Katherine Barth, Cecile Michniewicz

Jacob H. Janzen Scholarship

Taylor Martin

Lucinda Robertson Scholarship

Lauren Clarke-Gallant, Matt Horlings, Laura Oulahan

Magdalena Coffman Scholarship

Andrew Martin, Andrew Suderman

MCC Peace Award

Jenn Wiebe

PACS Internships

Sioban Hughes, Leah Reesor

Robin Coupland Jutzi Scholarship

Joel Wagner, Sarah Johnson

Sauer Family Award

Luke Keller, Chani Harder

Shantz Travel Fund

Loren Becker, Nashola Shaw, Marianne Pemberton, Sandra Dyck, Arlene Knight

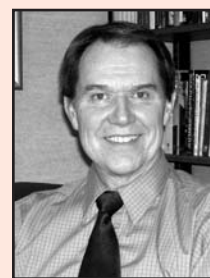
Upper Year Residence Award

Rebecca Janzen, Mike Skeoch, Lindsay Shantz, Sherrie Friesen, Richard Janzen

WMCEC Award

Ellie Huebner

Grebel Welcomes Academic Dean, James Pankratz



On January 3, 2006, staff and faculty welcomed Dr. James Pankratz as Grebel's new Academic Dean. Pankratz comes from the Mennonite Brethren Biblical Seminary

in Fresno, California where he served for 7 years as Academic Dean and Associate Professor of Mission and World Religions. His research and teaching interests include religion and culture and inter-religious contact and dialogue. Pankratz succeeds Marlene Epp, who will move into full-time teaching of History and Peace and Conflict Studies at Conrad Grebel following a 6 month sabbatical. He is married to Goldine (Nowak) and they have two married daughters and two grandchildren.

1970-75 Era Reunion



Gathering at the round tables again! Sandy (Froese) Callahan ('71) (far left) was one of the organizers of the 1970-75 era reunion. She is joined by (L to R) Marie Burkholder ('88, '91) Marilyn (Driedger) Winter, Vic Winter ('75), Bob Burkholder ('76), Lloyd Koch ('71) and Marieke Meyer ('77) who shared some memories in the program as well.

In her presentation Marieke focused on how Grebel impacted her as a young adult and her role as a storyteller in her current work as a producer for CBC's show on religion called *Tapestry*. In her closing remarks she stated: "For me Grebel was

a big part of my own spiritual growth and development. I learned a lot - and not all of it in the classroom. Grebel has become part of my own story. Maybe not always as it, as an institution, may have intended. But as one *Tapestry* guest we interviewed in the spring put it, 'I remember thinking: For crying out loud, do all of us have to reinvent the wheel, and find our own interpretation of our faith??? And then it hit me...yes. We do.' That's exactly what we have to do. We have to learn the stories and then make them our own. That's what makes us human. That's what makes us creatures of God. That's what makes us alive!"

Old friends Bob Burkholder ('76) and Salah Bachir (pictured below) reconnected at the 1970-75 Era Reunion. Bob was one of the organizers of the reunion and currently works for the provincial government's Youth Justice Services. Salah is with Famous Players Media in Toronto, but still returns to his home in Lebanon regularly. Salah recalled many interesting stories during the brief program, including the incident when both he and Donovan Smucker dressed up as Santa Claus.



Bob Burkholder ('76) and Salah Bachir

Eric Friesen Featured at UW Alumni Reception in Ottawa



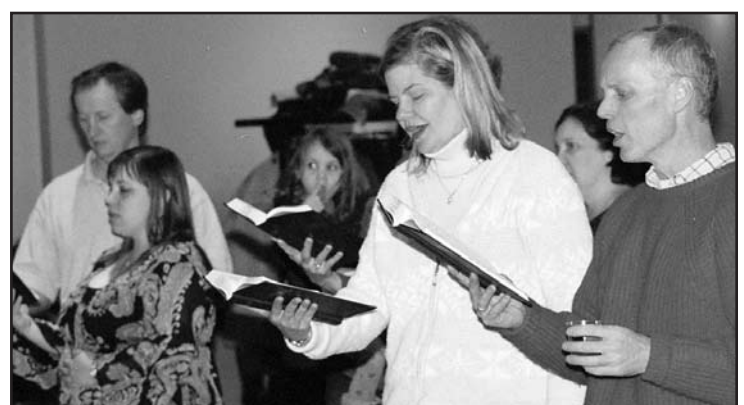
An after-work reception was held at the National Art Gallery in November. Alumnus Eric Friesen recalled how he felt as an "Arts Student in a Sea of Engineers" in the early years at UW.

Other Grebelites in attendance were (L to R) Ed Papazian ('69), Fred Martin ('87), Eric Friesen ('67) (front), Paul Berg-Dick ('73), ('74) (back), Alta MacFie ('70), ('82), Dave Leibold ('86), and Adam Feiner ('05).

Alumni Carol Sing



Over 30 alumni (plus children!) came to the Toews Atrium for the second annual Alumni Carol sing in December. Retired music professor, Bill Maust, came back to lead a few seasonal favourites with current Music Department Chair, Ken Hull, at the piano.



Lynn Dueck ('76), Kelley Teahen ('83) and Mark Rowsom ('85)

People

Chad ('98) and Shawna (Klassen) ('98) **Hiley** welcomed the arrival of their first child, daughter **Carlyn Sidney**, on June 9th, 2005. All three, along with their 2 dogs and one cat live in Pickering, close to Carlyn's grandparents. Chad works for Barrick Gold Corporation in Toronto and Shawna is enjoying her maternity leave from a postdoctoral fellowship at the Banting and Best Department of Medical Research at the University of Toronto.



Karen Reyburn ('96) and John Walsh are thrilled to let everyone know that **Emily Rose Reyburn** was born on August 11, 2004. This past year has been a series of challenges, learning experiences and a lot of fun. They also spent a lot of time during the year with



Karen's mom, Lois, who tragically died of Lou Gehrig's disease on January 20, 2005. Karen and Lois were thrilled that Emily got to spend some quality time with her Nana last year. Karen thoroughly enjoyed her maternity

leave and is now back at work for Foreign Affairs Canada in Ottawa. John is a professor of Canadian history at Carleton University in Ottawa. Email Karen and John at: knj@rogers.com

James ('97) and Heather ('00) Verrier are proud to announce the birth of their second child, **Kendra Marie**, on February 11, 2005. **Micah**, Kendra's big brother, is enjoying his sister as a new playmate. The Verriers currently live in Grimsby, Ontario and can be contacted at jhverrier@hotmail.com



Tanya (Klassen) Janssen ('94) and her husband **Corey** are thrilled to announce the arrival of **Katrina Adelaide**, born May 19, 2005. Katrina is their first child. The Janssens live in Calgary where Tanya works part-time in her optometric practice, and Corey works for Nortel.



In 2004, **Loretta Janz ('89)** and her husband **Edward Ratnarajah** were blessed with **Olivia**, who joined their family through adoption. The two had a wonderful trip back to Sri Lanka, where Ed is also from! "She is a real joy in both of our families. Please feel free to call if you ever come out west." They are currently living in Vancouver. Both are working for the provincial public health program at the BC Centre for Disease Control. Loretta's email is loretta.janz@bccdc.ca.



David Fransen ('76), ('77), assistant deputy minister in Industry Canada, arrived at the University of Waterloo in January on a secondment to serve in the new post of associate vice-president (strategic relations) and executive director of the Institute for Quantum Computing.



Now they are four! **Nathan**, meaning "gift", was born on May 12, 2005 in Thunder Bay, Ontario to proud parents **Robin (Wright) ('96)** and **John Peace**. In October '05 the couple returned to the Middle East where John directs a computer training center for people with physical disabilities. Robin has completed her formal Arabic studies, and will be caring for Daniel, 2 and Nathan.



Nadia Hahn ('01) received a Master of Education in November and has spent the last few years teaching at both elementary and secondary schools in the Toronto District School Board. While at Grebel, Nadia developed an on-campus event called ICED IN BLACK: Canadian Black Experiences on Film. Since then, she has developed this project into a nationally touring festival that has visited nine Canadian cities in six provinces. These experiences have led her to work with the Toronto International Film Festival, the Harbourfront Centre and the Francophonie Games. Nadia would love to hear from other Grebel alumni and can be reached at nadia@icedinblack.ca



Chris Cowperthwaite ('05) was recently interviewed on CBC radio regarding his coverage of the Palestinian election. Chris is recent graduate of the Peace and Conflict Studies Program.



Carmen Brubacher ('94) and Paul Heidebrecht ('94), along with their children **Conrad**, 6, **Sophia**, 4, and **Nathan**, 2, recently welcomed another child to their family. **Jesse Ezra** who was born on December 12, 2005. They continue to reside in Wisconsin, where Paul is working toward a Ph.D. in Religious Studies at Marquette University.



On February 7, 2006 Grebel alumni gathered at the UW Palo Alto reception in sunny California. Left to right are **Mihoko Kai**, **James Overduin ('89), ('92)**, **Jim Thornton ('92)**, **Al Armstrong ('94)**, **Wanda Wagler-Martin ('87)**, **Rhoda Zacharias**, **Joel Zacharias ('05)** and **Fred Martin ('87)**, Director of Development at Conrad Grebel.

It was with great sadness that the College learned that **Merrick Jarrett** passed away at the age of 81, following a serious fall. Merrick was a fixture in the Toronto folk music scene of the 50s and 60s, playing clubs and hosting radio programs. He was a performer at the first Mariposa Folk Festival, and at several festivals since, until "retiring" a few years ago. For 17 years he taught two folk music courses at Conrad Grebel, introducing hundreds of students to traditional and contemporary folk. His early recordings of children's and cowboy songs still pop up on compilations.

ALL CONRAD GREBEL ALUMNI are invited to submit info about address and vocational changes, **general updates**, information about births, marriages, or deaths for inclusion in People. Please send: your **name, year graduated, address, email, photo**, and **news**, to Communication Coordinator, Conrad Grebel University College, Waterloo, ON N2L3G6 or greblweb@uwaterloo.ca

Time and Memory: secular and sacred aspects of the world of the Russian Mennonites and their descendants

2006 Bechtel Lectures with Dr. James Urry

Dr. James Urry, professor of Anthropology at the Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, is Conrad Grebel University College's 2006 Bechtel Lecturer. He will address the theme of **Time and Memory: secular and sacred aspects of the world of the Russian Mennonites and their descendants.**

Thursday's lecture, entitled "Time: the Transcendent and the Worldly," will examine different forms of time in Russian Mennonite communities during the nineteenth and early twentieth century. Friday's lecture, "Memory: Monuments and the Marking of Pasts," will consider how Mennonites in Europe and North America have constructed memorials in remembrance of past events, especially through marking pioneer achievements and various episodes of victimhood and suffering.

"Dr. Urry's extensive research on the social organization and communal life of Russian Mennonites makes him uniquely qualified to analyze and reflect on this particular strand of Mennonite history and tradition," said Grebel President, Henry Paetkau. "I'm thrilled that he's making the

long trip from New Zealand to be this year's Bechtel lecturer."

Dr. Urry is well known for his pioneering research on Mennonite life in the Russian colonies. He has lectured and published extensively on various aspects of the Mennonite experience in Russia and the former Soviet Union. More recently, that interest has been expanded to include the Mennonite experience in Canada, particularly Manitoba. Dr. Urry has held research fellowships at the University of Winnipeg and Calgary. His reputation as an engaging lecturer is well established.



Don't miss Dr. James Urry, the 2006 Bechtel Lecturer, March 9 & 10 in the Conrad Grebel Great Hall at 7:30pm. A reception will follow the lecture on Thursday. For more information, call 519-885-0220 x223 or visit www.grebel.uwaterloo.ca/bechtel.

2006 PACS Field Studies

To develop the crucial dimension of practical experience in conflict intervention and resolution, the PACS program offers fields studies opportunities to provide students with on-site work experience to complement their theoretical learning. Here is a look at what some PACS fields studies involve.

Leah Reesor is working in Jamaica from August, 2005 - July, 2006 with the Mennonite Central Committee *Serving and Learning Together* (SALT) program. One of Leah's projects involves human rights education training for teachers in primary schools.

Jenn Wiebe is an intern with the *Centre for Peace Advancement in Nigeria*, a growing Nigerian conflict transformation and development organization, from January, 2006 - April, 2006. Some of Jenn's projects include writing funding proposals, sitting on a committee that is drafting a bill to establish a Peacebuilding Institute that will bridge the gap between civil society and the government and attending workshops on conflict mediation. "I'm surrounded by really thoughtful, caring, and unbelievably seasoned people (academically and practically, in the field of peacemaking), and it seems as though I'm going to be experiencing a lot of things! Since I've been here, it's just been affirmed for me in my own mind how great my experience at Grebel has already been. I feel really lucky to be in the program."

Siobhan Hughes is working at the *Mar Elias Educational Institutions* in Israel with Fr. Elias Chacour. Siobhan travelled to Israel in October 2005 and will return in April 2006.



Upcoming Concerts Conrad Grebel Chapel

Noon Hour Concerts
Wednesdays @ 12:30 p.m.
Admission is Free

March 1

Orchid Ensemble
Chinese Western Fusions
Mei Han & Jonathon Bernard

March 8

Greensleaves- *Renaissance Music*
Jenny Enns-Modolo, Marilyn Fung,
Shannon Purves-Smith and
Magdalene Toomsinska

March 22

Carol Ann Weaver & Rebecca
Campbell
For Children of Africa
with text by Stephen Lewis

March 24 8:00 p.m.

UW Chamber Choir
Richard Cunningham, director
St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church
Tickets \$10/\$8 students

March 25 8:00 p.m.

University of Waterloo Choir-
Reflections
Gordon Burnett, director
St. Louis Roman Catholic Church
Tickets \$10/\$8 students

March 26 2:00 p.m.

UW Stage Band- *Spring Jazz*
Michael Wood, director
CGUC Great Hall
Tickets \$10/\$5 students

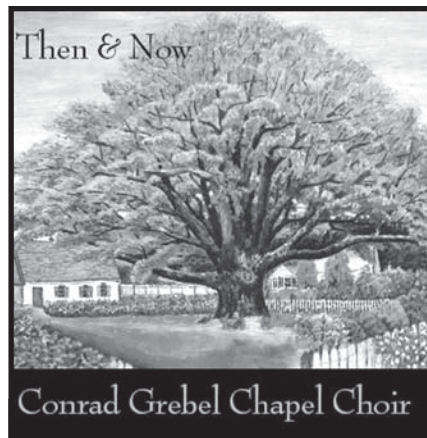
March 27 7:00 p.m.

UW Chamber Ensembles
Elaine Sweeney, director
CGUC Chapel- Admission is Free



**Alumni and Families,
come and join us on Saturday, August 26th for
an afternoon tour of Pelee Island!**

As Ontario's southernmost point, the Island is renowned for its nature trails, sandy beaches, and spectacular scenery. Come out and enjoy the summer weather! For more information contact Fred Martin at 519-885-0220 x381. To find out more about Pelee Island, visit www.pelee.org or www.peleetourism.com.



The newly released Conrad Grebel Chapel Choir CD **Then and Now** is now available online at:
grebel.uwaterloo.ca/chapelchoir

Receive a free "Then and Now" CD when you donate \$500 or more to Grebel's annual fund campaign.



Alumni from the 1975-80 era, save this date for your alumni reception!

Friday, September 29, 2006

This is one event you won't want to miss! Alumni reps include Kathleen Cleland Moyer, Esther Willms and Richard Kennel. *Look for more details in the Spring Grebel Now.*

Grebel Student Council Musical

March 16 - 18, 2006

Humanities Theatre
University of Waterloo

**Tickets: \$15 adults
\$12 for students/seniors**

**Tickets are now on sale
from 12-5 Monday - Friday
Call 519.888.4908**



Calendar of Events

Bechtel Lectures with Dr. James Urry	March 9-10, 2006	7:30pm
Grebel Student Council Musical	March 16-18, 2006	
Footloose- Humanities Theatre- UW Hagey Hall, for tickets call 519-888-4908		
Rodney and Lorna Sawatsky Fundraising Dinner and Tribute	March 18, 2006	6:30pm
Contact Fred W. Martin for more info 519-885-0220 x381 or fwmartin@uwaterloo.ca		
April Fools Cafe	April 2, 2006	3:00pm
Church Theatre in St. Jacobs featuring Rick Cober Bauman, John Moyer and No Discernible Key. For tickets call 519-885-0220		
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