

# Lecture to focus on incest and rape

(STU PR) - Lada Tamarack and Indigo Mountain, Associates, Healing Centre For Women, Ottawa, will deliver a guest lecture at St. Thomas University, Thursday, February 1, Ted Daigle Auditorium, Edmund Casey Hall, beginning at 8:00 p.m.

In their lecture titled "Incest and Rape - Why Is This Happening?", they will outline the origins and extent of violence against women with a particular focus on incest and rape. They will also address the need for standards in therapeutic practice which will effectively facilitate the healing

process in the victims of violence.

Lada Tamarack is a longtime member of the Women's Movement. Indigo Mountain, herself a victim of marital violence, has been counselling other victims for some 15 years. They have worked together at the Healing Centre For Women for eight years and are currently in the process of extending the Centre's services to rural areas. The Centre provides assistance to women who suffer the effects of incest and other forms of abuse.

In their lecture at St. Thomas Lada Tamarack and Indigo Mountain will speak both from their own experiences and from those of hundreds of other women with whom they have worked. Members of the public are invited to attend their lecture which is sponsored by St. Thomas University's Guest Lecture Committee.

The lecture is held in conjunction with workshops on incest and childhood sexual abuse, February 2-4 and February 16-18, Alumni

Lounge, Alumni Memorial Building, University of New Brunswick. The workshops have been organized by UNB/STU Counselling Services, St. Thomas University's Department of Social Work, the New Brunswick Department of Health and Community Services, and a number of concerned individuals. For additional information on the workshops, contact Mary Louise Luck or Serena Francis, UNB/STU Counselling Services, Fredericton, Tel. 453-4820.

## Library training available

(UNB PRI) - Five years ago, library workers couldn't get training in the province. People interested in working in a library found themselves in a catch 22 situation: not being able to work in a library without having experience or training, while only being able to get experience or training while working in a library.

Since 1985, training has been available through the library assistant program at the University of New Brunswick in Fredericton. The primary purpose of the program, which is divided into regular class hours and workshops, is to offer training in all areas of library operation. Of interest to those who work in public, school, academic, and special libraries, the program also provides training for those who want to work in libraries but lack experience.

"The program has enabled many of the participants already working in a library to get promotions and more responsibility or to change from temporary, to permanent status in their present jobs," says Francesca Holyoke, co-ordinator of the program. "Some participants have even gone on to their master's degrees in library science."

The library assistant program is a 26-week, non-degree program offered through the department of extension and summer session at the

university. Program sessions are taught by qualified and experienced resource people from Fredericton, Saint John, and Moncton. At least 12 members of the UNB library staff have been involved in developing and presenting the program. These resource people offer students both the theory and practice of general library science.

The initiative for the program came from the Special Libraries Interest Group in Fredericton. Made up of library staff from government departmental libraries and other special libraries, the group meets to discuss matters of mutual interest and concern. Among their concerns was a lack of any sort of library training in the Fredericton area - a somewhat peculiar gap considering the number and range in types of libraries in the area.

Since the program's introduction in 1985, a number of features have been added to it. Initially, most of the participants came from the Fredericton area, but demand for this type of program was so high that some people came from as far away as Moncton, Saint Andrews and Grand Falls. The widening circle of interest displayed the need for library training well beyond the Fredericton area. This high demand prompted the department of extension to make the program available

through teleconferencing. Last year, the course reached five sites with almost 60 participants.

A second level of the program was added in 1989. Level one offers a general overview of library work, covering everything from collections development, cataloguing and reference to library ethics and history of the book. Level two is more specialized, offering more

intensive study in selected area.

The positive response from participants ensures continued success of the program. One former student called this course "one of the most worthwhile courses I have taken. I felt if I missed a session, it was a big loss."

Anyone interested in finding out more about UNB's library assistant course may enquire in Room 121 MacLaggan Hall or call 453-4646.

## Aquinas Lecture Jan. 30

(STU PR) - Dr. Margaret Anne Somerville will deliver St. Thomas University's 1990 Aquinas Lecture. Dr. Somerville is a full time professor both of law and medicine at McGill University, a medical scientist at the Royal Hospital in Montreal, and Director of the McGill Centre for Medicine, Ethics and Law.

Her lecture on current ethical issues titled "Infants, Lunatics, Married Women, and Joint Tortfeasors: The Search For Ethics", will be held January 30, Ted Daigle Auditorium, Edmund Casey Hall, St. Thomas University, beginning at 8 pm.

In demand as a speaker, Dr. Somerville has lectured and traveled extensively. Within the past 11 years alone, she has delivered some 209 lectures

across Canada, in the United States, Europe, New Zealand, Australia, and the Middle East. Members of the public are invited to attend her Aquinas Lecture at St. Thomas.

The Aquinas Lecture is delivered each year by a scholar of note in the field of theology, philosophy, or ethics, as part of St. Thomas University's observances of the Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas, its patron saint. The lecture is sponsored by the University's Department of Philosophy.

Also marking the 1990 Feast of Aquinas, will be a special dinner in honor of the University's Dean's List Students, January 27. On Aquinas Day, January 28, a special mass will be held in honor of St. Thomas Aquinas at 11 am in STU's University Chapel.

## Committee

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Dr. Abdul Lodhi, Director of the Atlantic Human Rights Centre, said he is "excited by the proposal since it comes from the law school, a sector of society that is traditionally male and patriarchal." "The proposal", said Lodhi, "will heighten public consciousness, and consciousness brings about marvellous changes." Lodhi also recommended that consciousness-raising sessions ought to be made available for men.

"You can't help but see the

world through male eyes", said Susan Nind of St. Thomas University. Nind, a part-time social work professor, was highly critical of the present employment structure available to women teachers, especially the part-time teaching plan. Viewing the proposal as evolutionary, she said, "if we are really serious about attracting women, it's really about restructuring the entire system to meet women of the other realities, like child care, promotion and hiring policies, and part-time employment procedures."

## Petition passes

by Allan Carter

The petition from the newly formed Arms Control Committee of École Polytechnique was passed by the UNB Student Union last Thursday evening.

This committee has decided to take a positive action to induce the Canadian Government to legislate on firearms and other offensive weapons.

The petition may be

signed at the Student Union office which is located in the SUB.

The petition reads: "The undersigned call upon the authorities for the immediate enactment of laws forbidding anyone in Canadian territory from having in his or her possession any military or para-military weapon, with the exception of members of the armed forces and law enforcement officers for the purpose of their duties".



Call 1-800-222-TIPS

Newcastle -- Billboards throughout New Brunswick will be helping to convey the Crime Stoppers message and encourage citizens to come forth with information which can help police solve crimes.

Mediacom, a company which sells advertising space on outdoor billboards, had donated display space on their billboards located throughout New Brunswick, Crime Stoppers President Barbara Landry said Wednesday.

"This type of corporate support is so important to Crime Stoppers," Landry said. "We are a citizens organization and our resources are always very limited. Mediacom had launched our 1990 corporate fund raising drive in a most effective manner."

The first two billboards were recently installed in Chatham, a community victimized by several serious crimes. Mrs. Landry said police in the area still require information to solve several crimes which haven't presented any leads. "Hopefully, the added visibility of outdoor billboards will encourage citizens to come forward with information," she said. "People need to understand that calls to Crime Stoppers remain completely anonymous and callers are never asked to reveal their identity."

Barry MacDonald, Mediacom a branch manager for New Brunswick, said he became interested in the concept last fall, when the Miramichi region was gripped in fear following a series of brutal murders. "I wanted to do something to help solve these crimes, and I knew Crime Stoppers seemed like a logical solution," he said.

Mrs. Landry said the billboards complement regular publicity offered by New Brunswick newspapers, radio and television stations which publicize crime of the week features. In addition, Crime Stoppers hopes to make use of other promotional areas as they become available.

"For the program to work effectively, people must recognize the toll-free number and know their calls are anonymous," she said. "The cash awards are an added incentive for accurate information. We know the program works, because we've helped solve over 725 crimes in New Brunswick in just four years."

She said money to pay tips is raised by volunteers, through tax-deductible donations from citizens, organizations and businesses concerned about the large number of unsolved crimes in New Brunswick communities.