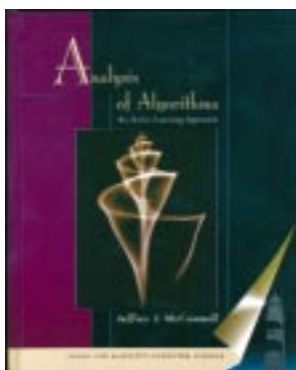


Adding Academics

Canisius welcomed its largest crop of new faculty members to campus this fall. A total of 29 professors were added to the college's extensively qualified roster of academics. Ten of those positions were created in the School of Education, where the college is enlisting a higher percentage of full-time, Ph.D. qualified, education professors in support of new state standards. For a complete list of new professors, visit the Web site at www.canisius.edu/academics/newfaculty.asp.

Dr. Jeffrey J. McConnell, chair of the Computer Science Department, is the author of a new textbook. *Analysis of Algorithms: An Active Learning Approach* investigates and determines how efficient various algorithms (that is computer talk for the instructions to writing a computer program) are in solving some of the important problems in computer science.

This is Dr. McConnell's first textbook, which is written for upper-level computer science majors and already in use at universities in the United States and overseas.



Birx Heads to Harvard

Dr. H. James Birx is pulling "double duty" this academic year as a full-time anthropology professor at Canisius and a visiting scholar at Harvard University. The prestigious invitation, presented by the university's Divinity School, will provide Dr. Birx with the resources necessary to complete research for his



Dr. H. James Birx

new book, *God & Evolution*.

The Visiting Scholar

Program at Harvard allows professors to conduct individual research using the benefits of the university's tremendous resources. The school, in turn, benefits from having internationally

recognized scholars, like Dr. Birx, a part of its dynamic community.

Canisius College professor of English and *Writer-in-Residence*, **Dr. Mick Cochrane**, is one of only eight New York State writers to be awarded a grant from the Constance Saltonstall Foundation for the Arts. The endowment, which provides \$5,000 annually to individual writers and artists, will help support Cochrane's fiction writing. He is the author of the literary fiction novels *Flesh Wounds* and *Sport*.

The Constance Saltonstall Foundation was established by the former painter and photographer from Ithaca, NY to assist artists in their creative work.



Dr. Mick Cochrane

"The computer itself is stupid. The software really makes it useful."

– **Dr. Jeffrey McConnell**, chair of computer science, as quoted in the UPSIDETODAY.com story, "The IBM Turns 20."

"A sales agreement that starts with both parties looking for ways to back out is hardly an agreement."

– **Dr. Eugene P. O'Connor**, associate professor of accounting, as quoted in the *Statesman Journal* (Salem, OR) story, "Calpine Negotiations Questioned."

"If he gets rocked in the majors, he's gonna get psychologically hurt — forever."

– **Dr. Gregory K. Reeds**, chair of physical education, as quoted in an ESPNMAG.com story on baseball pitcher, Rick Ankiel.

"It's quite useful for all different sorts of people and it helps bring this broad, broad range of people together on one quality site."

– **Dr. Thomas M. Banchich**, chair of classics, as quoted in an Associated Press story about *De Imperatoribus Romanis*, an on-line encyclopedia of Roman emperors, which he co-founded.

"Mourning is not only natural, it is essential. If people don't go through mourning, they don't heal properly. They don't emerge healthier and stronger."

– **Dr. Patricia Erickson**, associate professor of sociology and director of the Criminal Justice Program, as quoted in the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* story, "Understanding What Happened."