

## MEDIA ADVISORY

- TO: Assignment Editors/News Directors
- WHAT: LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF ALBERTA TO OFFER MAJOR NEW AWARD AT UPCOMING ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY CONVOCATION on June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at St. Mary's Cathedral
- WHERE: St. Mary's Cathedral, 219 18 Avenue SW, Calgary, Alberta
- WHEN: **Friday, June 9, 2017, Ceremony at 2:00 p.m.**
- Why: St. Mary's University will be presenting the newly created **Lieutenant Governor of Alberta Social Studies Education Student Award** to the student graduating from the St. Mary's University Bachelor of Education (Elementary) degree program who excels in the subject of Social Studies, in particular History. The new award will be presented annually at the Spring Convocation.

Three students: Brooklyn Hamper, Rebecca Johansen, and Thomas Kanaroski were nominated by St. Mary's University and interviewed by a panel of active or retired Alberta Social Studies teachers at the historic McDougall Centre in Calgary. The panel selected Brooklyn Hamper to receive the award. The subject of her presentation to the panel was Nellie McClung.

**Her Honour, the Honourable Lois E. Mitchell, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta will be in attendance at the convocation ceremony to present this prestigious new award to Brooklyn.**

"I'm inspired to see such outstanding future educators who share my love of History and Social Studies," said Lieutenant Governor Mitchell. "All three finalists from St. Mary's University did an excellent job and I know that their skill and dedication will serve them well in their careers."

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