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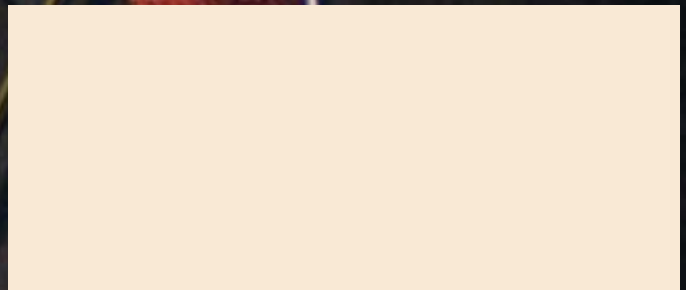
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SPRING CONVOCATION

Sunday, June 6, 2004 Duckworth Centre (Spence St. at Ellice Ave.)
SCIENCE & EDUCATION - 10:30 a.m. | THEOLOGY & ARTS - 3:00 p.m.

Chancellor H. Sanford Riley, Acting President Patrick Deane, the Board of Regents, and members of the University Senate invite alumni, family, friends, and the public to honour the outstanding achievement of the graduating class of the seventy-seventh convocation.

The entire University community extends congratulations to the graduates and welcomes them into The University of Winnipeg family of alumni.

10:30 a.m. - SCIENCE & EDUCATION

Dr. Lloyd Axworthy '61, LD '98 will be installed as the University's sixth President and Vice-Chancellor.

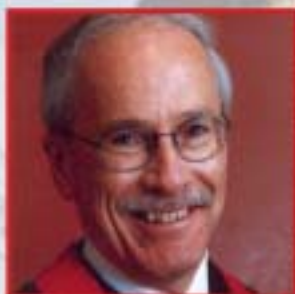
3:00 p.m. - THEOLOGY & ARTS

An Honorary Doctor of Laws will be conferred upon **Keith Black** '60, social activist and former Chair of the University's Board of Regents.

The Distinguished Alumni Award will be presented to **Sterling Lyon** '48, former Premier of the Province of Manitoba.

To honour their contribution to the University and the community, members of The University of Winnipeg will be honoured with the following awards at the Spring 2004 Convocation:

- Robin H. Farquhar Award for Excellence in Contributing to Self-Governance
- The Marsha Hanen Award for Excellence in Creating Community Awareness
- Clifford J. Robson Memorial Award for Excellence in Teaching





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A FAVOURITE PROFESSOR

With the limpest of excuses I break into print—can't seem to help myself—must have caught the bug at United College.

But reading of **Dr. Leathers** in your latest issue (Fall/Winter 2003) provoked a memory I cannot erase. He was indeed unique—must have been because 60-odd years later we're still talking about him. And we do, whenever there's a gathering.

It's French class #1. We're in second year, but most of us took Grade XII somewhere else, so we're new at the College. We're in our seats on time, anxious, at first at any rate, to do everything when and where we're supposed. And anxious for all kinds of other reasons, too. Classmates we've never seen before, a professor we've never seen before, mostly bald, black beard, formidable-looking, and stern. I, alone, am not afraid. Fresh from a convent school, I'm terrified of everything else out in this new world. But not at this moment. French is my forte. After all, I've spent years in a French convent. Here I can excel.

Dr. Leathers introduces himself, and then directs us to a French textbook. He begins by saying he'll ask each of us to read aloud. Hallelujah! The first three to read stumbled pathetically over the French pronunciations. At last it's my turn. "Miss Jones," he calls, "please read the next page." In my best French accent, which I know is very good, I begin. All eyes are upon me, his too, awed by my facility with the French language. I finish and look up, expecting commendation. But Dr. Leathers is silent, and then asks me to read the next page. Now I know I'm being singled out

for excellence. When I finish reading, Dr. Leathers, in a frosty tone, says: "I just wanted to see if your second reading would be as monotonous as the first."

And then there was French Club, held in Sparling Hall, I think. A room full of student wannabe French conversation-ists. When it's teatime, I help by passing around the cake tray. The person sitting next to Dr. Leathers says "no, thank you" when I proffer the tray. Politely, I urge, "Don't be reticent, have a piece of cake." Dr. Leathers, in a tone all his own and loudly, "Miss Jones, that's an entirely incorrect use of the word 'reticent.'" Everyone hears. But he has us all, in turn, for afternoon tea at his home with Chérie and his cello and his picture gallery. He was a remarkable teacher and for some reason I worked hard and never tired of trying to please him and to get that A+.

*Anita (Jones) Bundy, Class of 1940
Victoria Raging Granny
Victoria, BC*

THANKS FOR THE THOUGHTFULNESS

Your *Journal* arrived today, and it's a fine presentation of life and work at The University of Winnipeg. Congratulations. A lot of effort goes into a 24-pager like this. I hope you get a good response to your new "Letters" feature, and I was pleased to see you were able to include the photo of the survivors who made it to the Class '43 reunion. Thanks for your thoughtfulness about my contribution.

*Peter White, Class of 1943
Toronto, ON*

A LIFE REMEMBERED

How pleased I was to see the picture of my late wife, Carol, on the cover of the Fall/Winter 2003 *Journal*. The article was heartwarming. Thank you.

*Don Shields
Victoria, BC*

PICTURE PERFECT

Patti Tweed, '95, tells me you were largely responsible for Dad [my father Rev. William Creighton Graham's] appearance via his portrait in this latest *Journal* (Fall/Winter 2003). What a charming and unusual picture the arrangement of the Class of '53 with him made. A "Class Act" indeed. I found the whole of the *Journal* interesting and I always read it from cover to cover. I don't see many names I know any more, but I like to keep up with events.

Thank you again for your thoughtfulness. I really was surprised and delighted with the picture.

P.S. I really enjoyed the new "Letters" page.

*Kay Birchall, Class of 1941
Kingston, ON*

"Your Letters" is your opportunity to contribute to your alumni magazine. Please share with us comments on the stories we publish, ideas about articles we might cover in the future, and memories of your time at Wesley College, United College, or The University of Winnipeg. Letters can be emailed to the editor at l.cherney@uwinnipeg.ca or sent by regular mail to:

Lois Cherney, Alumni Office, The University of Winnipeg 4W21 - 515 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R3B 2E9

Opportunity



When asked about why alumni should stay connected to their alma mater, new President and alumnus Lloyd Axworthy draws from his own experience:

"I'm a graduate of United College, the University of Manitoba, and Princeton and I recognize that I have a responsibility back to those institutions. They gave me an enormous advantage and I think I owe something back ... I think that alumni who believe in the principles and the values of The University of Winnipeg have an opportunity to make them real."

Looking forward to the start of his five-year term, the new President is eager for the opportunity to put these thoughts into action, as the head of one of Canada's top undergrad universities. He is also eager to work with an exceptional group of senior administrators, faculty, staff, and students – and an incredible pool of talented alumni.

For the University, the timing couldn't be better. Dr. Axworthy's homecoming is much anticipated and a source of great pride. It's also a tremendous opportunity to raise The University of Winnipeg's profile even higher and to help our institution become an active player on the world stage.

You're invited to meet Dr. Axworthy through the pages of this *Journal* and at the Alumni Association's Annual General Meeting (see page 6 for details). Please take advantage of this chance to meet our new President and get re-connected with your University. Opportunity knocks.

Lois Cherney, Editor

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HAS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES TO SUIT A WIDE RANGE OF INTERESTS AND TIME COMMITMENTS. BY GETTING INVOLVED— A LITTLE OR A LOT!—YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO THE ASSOCIATION, TO STUDENTS, AND TO YOUR UNIVERSITY.

Food for Thought - Distribute snacks and offer encouragement to students during exam time.

Alumni Council - Serve on the 12-member council, which meets regularly to make decisions on policy and programming. Each member serves a three-year term. In addition, three Alumni Council members are selected to serve on the University's Board of Regents.

Alumni Council Teams - Share your ideas by joining one of the Council's teams - Events and Outreach, Volunteers, or Communications.

Award Selection Committees - Pick a winner! Alumni representatives are needed to serve on University committees that select winners of entrance scholarships and faculty/staff awards.

Alumni Network - For those who have left Winnipeg, volunteer to welcome a new alum who is moving to your city and help him or her get oriented to the new surroundings.

Convocation - Welcome our newest members and raise money for scholarships by selling degree frames before or after the Convocation ceremonies in October or June.

Scholarship Presenters - Visit high schools in June to present University of Winnipeg entrance scholarships to outstanding high school graduates.

First-Year Student Orientation - Welcome the "freshies" and their parents to campus at orientation in September.

Career Mentor - Meet with a student or graduate to share your career insight and experiences.

If you are interested in any of these volunteer opportunities, please contact Alumni Relations, at l.cherney@uwinnipeg.ca or 204.786.9134.

COVER STORY



Opportunity knocks

TEXT: Kerry Ryan '96 PHOTOS: Andrew Sikorsky & University Files

“I benefited enormously from the education I received, the experiences I had, and the sense of a place that has roots in the community.”

To say that The University of Winnipeg’s new president is familiar with this institution is a bit of an understatement. He’s been a student (United College, Class of ’61), a professor of Political Science, Director of the Institute of Urban Studies, and was awarded both an honorary Doctor of Laws and the Distinguished Alumni Award by his alma mater. In May 2004, **Dr. Lloyd Axworthy** will return to The University of Winnipeg to become its sixth president.

To say that he has an outstanding track record as a national and international leader doesn’t go far enough either. Over a political career spanning more than three decades, including more than 20 years in Parliament, Dr. Axworthy held several portfolios, including Foreign Affairs. Through his efforts, Canada became one of the leading proponents of a ban on landmines, for which Dr. Axworthy was nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize. He has helped establish an international criminal court, protocol on child soldiers, and has received numerous prestigious awards for his international work. For the past three years, he has been the Director and CEO of the Liu Institute for Global Issues at The University of British Columbia, and was recently appointed by the United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan as Special Envoy to Ethiopia and Eritrea.

“I am pleased that an individual with such impeccable integrity, leadership experience and acumen, commitment to the local and global community, and vision will be joining the remarkable administrative team assembled at the University,” says Richard Graydon, Chair of the University’s Board of Regents.

Dr. Axworthy is quick to credit The University of Winnipeg for its role in shaping his political career. “I benefited enormously from the education I received, the experiences I had, and the sense of a place that has roots in the community,” says Dr. Axworthy. “It helped fill me out as a person in a really remarkable way, and gave me some choices about my future.”

Throughout his education, Dr. Axworthy was active in student government, serving as Class President, and the representative for United College on the University of Manitoba student council. He was part of the original “separatist” movement that saw United College secede from the University of Manitoba. “It was a very dynamic time,” he recalls. “The late ’50s and early ’60s were times when there was a lot of student activism on things like nuclear disarmament. The college had a real sense of political consciousness.”

The University’s political consciousness helped to develop Dr. Axworthy’s as well. “I was a student at United College during the Crowe Affair, which was one of the great academic debates. So I think I learned a lot just being part of that argument over academic freedom,” he says.

With majors in English, Political Science, and History—“I could never quite decide!”—Dr. Axworthy once had his sights on criminal law. But he was encouraged by his University of Winnipeg professors to apply for the Woodrow Wilson Scholarship, which took him to Princeton University and the heady political climate of the US in the 1960s, and ultimately to a life in academics and politics.

Though much has changed since his student days, Dr. Axworthy says the University’s primary appeal remains. “It still seems to have that attractiveness for students—that they don’t feel lost in a big educational factory,” he says. He adds that he hopes students will continue to come away from The University of Winnipeg with more than just a piece of parchment. Dr. Axworthy wants graduates to have “an open mind, an ability to think effectively and analytically. And a commitment to certain values, beliefs, and responsibilities that they have as citizens.”

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Student, Distinguished Alumnus, academic, federal minister, Nobel Prize nominee, and sixth president of The University of Winnipeg: Dr. Lloyd Axworthy, PC, OC, OM

He also hopes that sense of commitment and responsibility will include an active and continuing role in the University. "The alumni who believe in the principles and the values of the University have an opportunity to make them real," says Dr. Axworthy. "There's such an incredible pool of talent among our alumni, and I really want to work with them to say 'how do we draw upon those talents to continue making this University a place that makes a difference?'"

In turn, the University's alumni are energized at the prospect of Dr. Axworthy's new leadership role. "We were very pleased to hear of his appointment," says **Dr. Chris Cottick '86**, president of the University's Alumni Association. "The combination of his history with the University, his continued presence over the last few years, and his extensive international experience make him an ideal candidate."

"Dr. Axworthy returning to The University of Winnipeg signals that alumni continue to support this University, and the University recognizes that."

Dr. Axworthy hopes to help The University of Winnipeg become a more global university—in the education it offers, in the research it undertakes, and in its relationships with other institutions. "Having come out of 30 years in politics and government, I always thought that universities were sources of ideas and policy prescriptions," says Dr. Axworthy. "But I think they can go beyond that; I believe they are very important in their own right. And I hope I can help enable The University of Winnipeg to become an active player on the world stage."

Along with his wife Denise Ommanney, Dr. Axworthy will reside at University House at 49 Oak for the duration of his five-year term. Dr. Axworthy will be installed as president of The University of Winnipeg at Spring Convocation on June 6, 2004 at the morning ceremony, which will take place at 10:30 a.m. 

DR. AXWORTHY: KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT ALUMNI AGM

The University of Winnipeg's new president Dr. Lloyd Axworthy will be the guest speaker at the Alumni Association's next Annual General Meeting:

Wednesday, June 9, 2004 **7:30 p.m.**
Faculty and Staff Club **4th floor, Wesley Hall**

The meeting is open to all alumni. Admission is free, but please confirm your attendance with the Alumni Office by June 1, 2004. Phone 204.786.9711 or e-mail alumni@uwinnipeg.ca

WESLEY HALL RENOVATIONS BEGIN

Since 1896, The University of Winnipeg's flagship building Wesley Hall has stood as a proud icon of higher education in downtown Winnipeg. The campus has since grown and other buildings have been constructed, but the castle on Portage Avenue remains the heart of this urban institution.

However, time and weather have left their mark on the façade of the proud old building. Wesley Hall's stone exterior is crumbling, and the building is circled with protective netting and safety fences. With initial funding from the Council on Post-Secondary Education (COPSE) and The University of Winnipeg Foundation, plans were made to restore the University's landmark building to its former glory.

The damage to Wesley Hall's exterior is a result of time and the material from which it is built: Paskapoo sandstone, cut from the Elbow River quarry near Calgary. The sedimentary nature of this sandstone and the way in which it was incorporated into the building have led to significant erosion.

Over the years, damaged sections have been patched and shaped to recreate the look of the original stonework. However, careful study by engineers in 2002 determined that the stonework is not just an exterior shell, as it was once thought, but an integral structural component of the building. Short-term surface solutions are no longer an option.



Renovations to The University of Winnipeg's historic Wesley Hall began this Spring. Visit www.uwinnipeg.ca to learn more.

Preparations for the new façade began in Spring 2003. Workers measured Wesley's exterior, and new material—Wallace sandstone—has been quarried from a site in Nova Scotia. The new stone will be shaped to match the exact dimensions of the original blocks, preserving the appearance and character of the building. Beginning in Spring 2004, the surface of the old stone will be cut with a diamond saw and removed by jackhammer, creating a smooth surface on which vapour barrier, insulation, and the new stone can be mounted.

See the new "Looking Back" feature on page 24 for additional photos. Regular updates on the renovation will be posted to the University's website at www.uwinnipeg.ca

UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG CELEBRATES CANADA RESEARCH CHAIR



In January 2004, The University of Winnipeg celebrated a new chapter in the life of its Institute of Urban Studies (IUS), honouring both the opening of a new facility and the appointment of the University's second Canada Research Chair (CRC) **Dr. Tom Carter**.

IUS is now located across the street from the University in the former Supreme Racquet Courts building at 520 Portage Avenue. The new location, a two-storey space of 3,500 square feet, offers a greatly expanded library area and offices, and provides an enhanced capacity to conduct research.

The facility opening was also an opportunity to celebrate the CRC appointment of Dr. Tom Carter. Dr. Carter assumed the seven-year, \$1.4 million Canada Research Chair in Urban Change and Adaptation in March of 2003. This area of research uncovers important information about the causes of urban decline. The CRC program is funded by the federal government.

BRIDGING THE GAP: THE ABORIGINAL SELF-GOVERNANCE PROGRAM

This year The University of Winnipeg launched a new program in Aboriginal Self-Governance. With courses drawn from history, politics, and conflict resolution, students gain a broad perspective that is inclusive of the experiences of Aboriginal people.

"There are many programs across the country about Canadian Politics, but not necessarily Aboriginal issues," says Larry Chartrand, who will be taking on the directorship of the new program in July 2004. "This program will improve the overall quality of Aboriginal government in Canada, which will help improve Aboriginal-Canadian relations as a result."

Cynthia Albany started her studies in Aboriginal Self-Governance at Red River College, which jointly offers the degree/diploma program with The University of Winnipeg. She began her University component this Fall. "People hear about urban reserves, but what is that?" says Albany, who has enjoyed digging into current affairs as much as studying her Aboriginal heritage. "People don't know, and they don't understand the issues. That's why these courses are important for both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people. It all starts with education."



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TEXT: Annette Elvers '93 PHOTO: grajewski.fotograph

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here's an old saying: when people believe in you, you can do anything.

Estelle Lamoureux is convinced of it—in fact, she says she is living proof.

In the 1980's Lamoureux was working as a school bus driver, picking up and dropping off special-needs students at a local school. But she had a dream: to one day walk through the doors of that school and teach a class of her own.

"At the age of 29, I registered as a mature student at The University of Winnipeg," says Lamoureux. "You would not believe how afraid I was. I was starting something I wasn't sure I would be able to do."

Lamoureux summoned up all her courage and took the plunge. "I was still nervous, but right away I met some professors who could see that I was afraid," she says. "They were so good to me, they made me feel like I could do it." Lamoureux—now a principal at Winnipeg's Collège Pierre-Elliott-Trudeau—names professors like **Carol Harvey, Annabelle Mays, and Richard Staniforth** as her strongest supporters. "They believed in me. I had no choice but to be successful!"

"Estelle is one of those students you remember," says Staniforth, a Biology professor. "She was an absolute delight, because her good spirits had such an uplifting effect on the whole class. It made even difficult material a little more bearable!"

Harvey, a professor of French Studies, describes Lamoureux as a remarkable student who went on to become an equally remarkable teacher. "She inspires her students," says Harvey. "And as a principal, she is very much in charge of her ship." A leader with a unique approach to discipline, Lamoureux encourages students to take responsibility for their actions, and to think through creative solutions to their problems.

According to Annabelle Mays, Dean of Education and the Division of Continuing Education, creativity has always been one of Lamoureux's strong suits. "She was an excellent student, but she also has an incredible sense of humour," says Mays.

"She and some other students got together and stuffed Carol Harvey's office with helium balloons. When Carol opened the

door, all those balloons spilled out into the hallway," laughs Mays. "There were balloons everywhere! That's just the kind of thing they did."

Harvey just smiles at the harmless prank. "You know, that was only one of the things Estelle and her friends got into..."

"We played hard, but we worked really, really hard too," admits Lamoureux, unabashed. "My philosophy has always been that you have to play to be able to cope with all the work."

Continuing to drive the bus throughout the school year, Lamoureux's day typically started at 5:30 a.m. and didn't end until long after her two young children went to bed. "I'd drive bus, change out of my uniform, drop off my kids at my parents' place, and head to class," she recounts. After class, she went back to work for the second run of the day, and then started her evening with her family by making supper. Before long, she'd be back at the books, burning the midnight oil. "What you put in is what you get back," she says simply. "That's what it took, so that's what I did."

In 1985, Lamoureux graduated with a bachelor of arts with a double major in French and Biology. With newfound confidence, she continued her studies at The University of Winnipeg and completed a degree in Education, followed by a master's degree from the University of Manitoba. After several teaching positions, she became a high school principal in 2000.

"I love my job. It's the kids—no ifs, ands, or buts," says Lamoureux. "I get such a kick out of watching them surpass everything they ever thought they could do." Harvey says that she and her fellow professors feel much the same way about Lamoureux, who embarked on her university career uncertain she'd even make it through first year. "We can be very proud of Estelle and what she has learned here, and taken into the public school system," says Harvey. "It speaks volumes about her that she has friends here to this day, including many of her professors."

Lamoureux says that without each of the profs who took her under their wing, she would still be shuttling kids to and from school each day on the bus, not leading the students and staff at Collège Pierre-Elliott-Trudeau. "I would not have the life I have now," she says with conviction. "You have to have drive, but when you have the support of the people around you, it can make all the difference in the world." ■

UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG ALUMNI ARE AN ACTIVE GROUP! EACH YEAR, THERE ARE MANY NEW EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES TO SHARE. IF YOU'VE PARTICIPATED IN AN ALUMNI EVENT AND YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS, OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO FIND OUT HOW TO GET INVOLVED, THIS IS THE PLACE FOR YOU!

ALUMNI DEMONSTRATE PASSION FOR TOUR PROGRAM

The new alumni tour program Professors with a Passion was met with tremendous enthusiasm last spring, prompting organizers to add two new installments to this popular series. "The positive response to the Winnipeg General Strike tour last year was so overwhelming that we've decided to re-run it and expand with a couple of new offerings," explains Lois Cherney, Program Director, Alumni Relations. "We have many interesting, engaging faculty who are passionate about their work and want to get involved."

The first new tour focuses on the **former home of Gabrielle Roy**, the internationally acclaimed Franco-Manitoban writer. Conducted by French Studies Professor **Carol Harvey**, the tour will be held:

Wednesday, April 28, 2004
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
375 Deschambault Street

Professor Harvey has published extensively on Gabrielle Roy and has a long history with Maison Gabrielle Roy, an organization responsible for the restoration and refurbishment of the home in which Roy was born. Harvey's walking tour will also cover other sites in St. Boniface, such as Provencher School and St. Boniface Cathedral.

For the second new offering, alumni and friends will head to the Sandilands Provincial Park in Southeastern Manitoba for **The Lord of the Tree Rings** tour. Participants will learn first-hand about tree-ring research and other applications of forest ecology. Our guide will be **Jacques Tardif**, Associate Professor of Environmental Studies and Biology and Canada Research Chair in Dendrochronology at The University of Winnipeg. The day-long journey will take place:

Saturday, September 18, 2004
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Leaving from The University of Winnipeg

Last year's first-ever Professors with a Passion event, a **Winnipeg General Strike** tour with History Professor **Nolan Reilly**, sold out almost immediately. In a repeat of last year's remarkable response, this year's strike tour on May 13 has also reached maximum capacity as this publication goes to print. Those who are interested can contact the Alumni Office to be placed on a waiting list.

Visit the alumni website for more information and ticket prices.

EXPLORING CAREER OPTIONS?

The new University of Winnipeg Career Resource Centre is open to all alumni who are exploring career options. A wide variety of books, directories, academic calendars, and electronic resources are available for your use. The Career Resource Centre is located in Graham Hall, room 06M09. Hours are Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. The Centre is closed from 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Call 204.786.9863 for more information, or visit the Centre's website at www.uwinnipeg.ca/web/current/services/careerresource.shtml

UPCOMING REUNION CELEBRATIONS

Class of '54 Reunion: October 1 - 2, 2004
Activities for this Golden Anniversary Reunion include a Wine and Cheese Reception at Wesley Hall, a campus tour of the University, and a Homecoming Dinner.

Class of '64 Reunion: May 14 - 16, 2004
A casual weekend of activities is planned, starting with an informal meet-and-greet on Friday, followed by a campus tour and dinner on Saturday, and winding up with a Sunday brunch.

TEE UP FOR 2ND ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Alumni and friends are invited to this year's Alumni Association Golf Tournament. Visit the alumni website for more details or to register.



BEYOND WORDS GETS INTO DEGREE FRAMES

The Alumni Association's popular degree and portrait frames are now available through the campus bookstore Beyond Words.

Several types of frame are available:

Portrait, \$35 CDN	Black Metal, \$45 CDN
Gold Metal, \$45 CDN	Basswood, \$65 CDN
Diplomat, \$100 CDN	Briarwood, \$80 CDN

Previously, frames were only available through the Alumni Office. With its central location (1st floor Centennial Hall), the campus bookstore, Beyond Words, offers alumni greater convenience than ever before. All proceeds from the sale of degree and portrait frames will continue to support scholarships and the work of your Alumni Association.

During your visit to Beyond Words, be sure to browse through the wide selection of University of Winnipeg souvenir items, such as mugs, t-shirts, sweatshirts, pens, and plush animals. Show your Alumni Card to receive a 15 per cent discount on regularly priced merchandise (excluding books and frames). For details on how to receive your free Alumni Card, see below.

YOUR ALUMNI CARD: FREE FOR THE ASKING



The University of Winnipeg Alumni Card is available free of charge to all graduates of The University of Winnipeg, United College, Wesley College, graduates of certificate or diploma programs at the Division of Continuing Education (DCE), and to former students who have completed at least 30 credit hours at the University.

To request an Alumni Card, use the postage-paid insert, included with this issue of the *Journal*, or visit our website and submit the "What's New with You?" form electronically. Your card will then be sent to you by mail.

Alumni cardholders are entitled to free campus library privileges, discounts on Duckworth Centre athletic memberships, 15 per cent off regularly priced campus bookstore giftware (excludes books and frames), and 10 per cent off courses at DCE (<http://dce.uwinnipeg.ca>)



GET READY FOR WINTER

Students show off their new mittens, toques, and scarves, presented to them by the Alumni Association at this year's "Get Ready for Winter" gathering. Every year, the Association holds this event for new international students to help them prepare for—and even enjoy!—a Winnipeg winter.

ALUMNI TRAVEL PROGRAM

Several trips are in the works for 2004. Together with our new travel provider, The Great Canadian Travel Company, alumni from The University of Winnipeg, the University of Manitoba, and Brandon University will head off for adventures both near and far.

Iceland: From August 9 - 18, 2004, this tour includes whale-watching, spectacular scenery, and a visit to the famous Blue Lagoon.

Polar Bear Day Tripper: These one-day excursions, departing October 23 and 30, 2004, promise a unique day of sightseeing on a Tundra Buggy, with an experienced naturalist as your guide.

Explore Chicago: With flights leaving every Friday and returning Sunday between May and September, this tour offers a wonderful weekend of sightseeing in the windy city.

Iles de la Madeleine Discovery: Departing every Thursday between June 15 and September 15, 2004, this week-long journey begins in Montreal, followed by a cruise up the Saint-Lawrence, and finishes in Prince Edward Island.

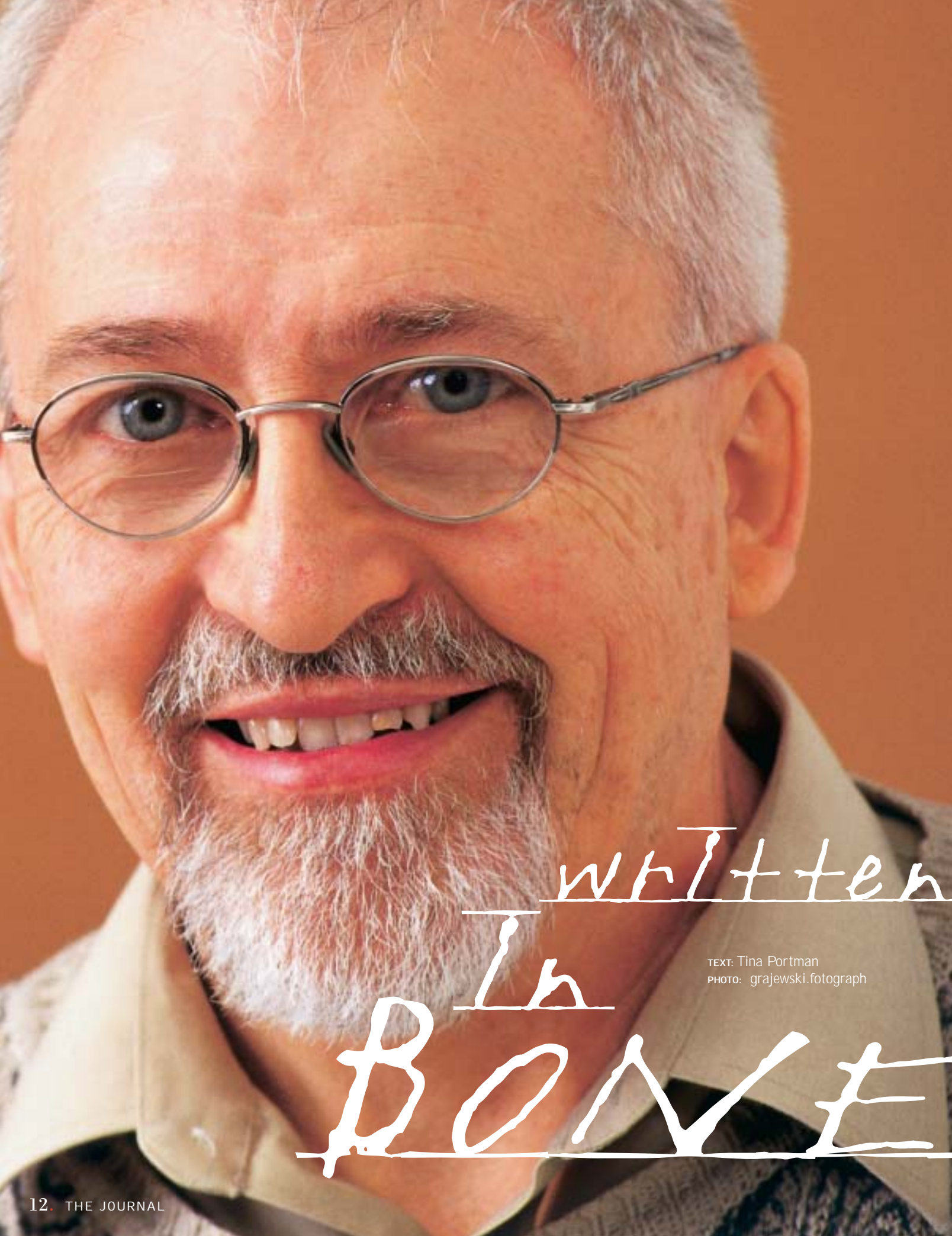
Details on all of these tours are available on the alumni website.

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“I still very much enjoy being in the classroom. One of the reasons I’m still at The University of Winnipeg 33 years later is that it’s a university that allows development of both research and teaching skills.”

“The classic line that civilization makes us healthier is probably not true,” say **Chris Meiklejohn**, Professor of Anthropology at The University of Winnipeg.

Meiklejohn’s research subjects don’t tell lies. For over 30 years, he’s been studying the patterns in human bones that tell what people looked like, give clues to how they lived, and reveal their health in life. His analysis can determine sex, height to within two to three inches, body type (muscular or lean), race, estimate age, and identify injury or disease. Disease leaves its scars on bone tissue, and the scar patterns are fixed in death.

“You get much more disease and pathology in later agricultural populations than you do in earlier ones,” he says. He’s found almost no disease in pre-agricultural sites in the Near East, around 10,000 years old, or in Western Europe, where agriculture lured people into large communities about five thousand years ago.

Today, Meiklejohn is at his computer; he’s just replied to his email. He received one today from a student who has been accepted, with a scholarship, into a graduate program. Meiklejohn is pleased.

“I enjoy seeing their success,” he says. “I still very much enjoy being in the classroom. One of the reasons I’m still at The University of Winnipeg 33 years later is that it’s a university that allows development of both research and teaching skills.”

Former student **David Finch** (BA ’94, Anthropology) has also benefited from Meiklejohn’s teaching, first as an undergraduate and then later on projects and joint research papers.

“Chris is one of those guys that makes things very approachable, and for that reason he’s very effective,” says Finch. “For example, there’s a hole in a bone called the obturator foramen. It’s not the easiest thing to recall. In order to jog your memory, he might use the phrase ‘Hello, obturator?’ He’s always very clear and very passionate.”

Meiklejohn’s ability to share his knowledge and enthusiasm is considered exceptional by many of his students. In 1983, he was recognized with the Clifford J. Robson Memorial Award for Excellence in Teaching.

Outside of the classroom and in collaboration with Manitoba’s Historic Resources Branch (HRB), Meiklejohn is part of an archaeological team that rescues and repatriates Aboriginal remains exposed by flood or construction. As part of the process, he explains the science of analysing human remains to Aboriginal communities.

“He’s a very entertaining person about a sensitive subject,” says Pat Badertscher, manager of the Archaeology unit, HRB. “And he explains technical things and makes them understandable.” Much of what the team learns from Aboriginal remains is about culture in periods when there were no written records.

“All the work we do now with Aboriginal skeletal material is in conjunction with Aboriginal communities,” says Meiklejohn. “What do they want done with this material? Do they want anything done with this material? I think part of what has come out of this is that we’ve been imparting knowledge about the past back to the communities.” After a meeting last year, one First Nation polled all its residents. They voted for analysis of remains found near their community.

Every few years, the RCMP, Winnipeg Police Service or the Chief Medical Examiner turn to Meiklejohn for forensic analysis of more recent skeletal remains.

“Techniques used for 6000-year-old remains are identical to those used for forensic cases,” says Meiklejohn. Forensic analysis helps police narrow their identity search.

“I must admit that I like the sense that there’s a practical side to this,” says Meiklejohn. “We have skills that have a very practical value.” By “we,” Meiklejohn means he and his graduate students, who, over the years, have had the opportunity to analyze remains from the first Riel rebellion in 1870, early homesteaders, Aboriginal settlements, and forensic cases.

Despite the solemnity and importance of his work—or perhaps because of it—Meiklejohn has a dry wit.

“You have to have a certain sense of humour,” says Meiklejohn. “I tell my forensics students that they’re going to identify me one day because I have an artificial hip, and artificial hips happen to have serial numbers.” ■

HONOURABLE
Sterling R.
Lyon
PC, QC, OM
TEXT: Sheila Deane



The class of '48 celebrated their 50th reunion with a photo in Wesley Hall stairway. Sterling Lyon: second from left, bottom row

When Sterling Lyon thinks back on his days as an undergraduate and residence dweller, he remembers United College as a very close-knit community. He valued the academic challenges presented by his formal studies, but he found the informal life of the College equally stimulating. The everyday experience of living, dining, and enjoying lively conversations with the other students and faculty members meant a great deal to him and contributed to his personal and intellectual growth.

It's been more than 50 years since Lyon's graduation in 1948, but The University of Winnipeg is still a place with an emphasis on community and high standards for academic achievement. It is also a place where alumni take pride in the accomplishments of their fellow graduates, honouring one exceptional alumnus/alumna each Convocation with the Distinguished Alumni Award. This year, at Spring Convocation (June 6, 2004) Sterling Lyon will become the University's latest Distinguished Alumnus, in recognition of his dedicated public service and place in Canadian history.

"The Alumni Association is very proud to include Sterling Lyon as a member of The University of Winnipeg family of Alumni," says **Dr. Chris Cottick '86**, president of The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association. "His contributions to Canadian politics make him a very distinguished alumnus indeed."

When Lyon left his hometown of Portage La Prairie to attend university in 1945, his original plan was to pursue a degree in commerce at the University of Manitoba. But at the end of his second year he came to United College, and, two years later in 1948, he graduated with a bachelor of arts. Lyon knew that the BA, combined with the Law degree he received in 1953 from the Manitoba Law School, would deepen his educational experience and broaden his career horizons. It proved to be a good foundation indeed as he went on to a very productive and respected career in both the legislative and the judiciary branches of government.

Lyon was first elected to the Manitoba Legislature in 1958. When he was sworn in as Attorney General at the age of 31, he was the youngest cabinet minister in the Roblin government. He held the portfolios of Public Utilities, Municipal Affairs, Mines and Natural Resources, and Tourism and Recreation.

He became leader of Manitoba's Progressive Conservative Party in 1975, won the provincial election of 1977, and served as Premier of Manitoba until 1981. He played a significant role during the repatriation of the constitution and the formation of The Charter of Rights and Freedoms. As Chair of the Council of Premiers, Sterling Lyon, along with Allen Blakeney of Saskatchewan and Peter Lougheed of Alberta, championed the inclusion of the "notwithstanding" clause, an instrument to ensure that parliamentary supremacy would not be eroded by judicial decisions.

Altogether, Lyon served as a member of the Manitoba Legislative Assembly from 1958 to 1969 and from 1976 to 1986. He also served as a member of The University of Winnipeg's Board of Regents from 1972 until 1976. In 1982 he was appointed to the Privy Council of Canada, and in 1986 to the Manitoba Court of Appeal, where he served 16 years, and won the respect of the law community as someone who could be counted upon to give reliable, sensible, and well-reasoned decisions.

Shortly after his retirement, he and his wife Barbara were seriously injured in a car accident, and their recovery to full health has been frustratingly slow. But what is unchanged is the strength of their marriage (they will celebrate their 51st anniversary this coming September), and the warm support of family and friends. ■

NOMINATIONS ACCEPTED FOR THE DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD

Do you know a graduate of The University of Winnipeg, United College, or Wesley College who has made an outstanding contribution to his/her profession or to the community? Please send us a letter describing your nominee's background and why you believe he/she is a candidate for the Distinguished Alumni Award. Send your letter to the Alumni Office at the address listed on page 2.

ALUMNI AUTHORS

COMPILED BY: Annette Elvers '93



READ THIS! WHY BOOKS MATTER

Karen Zoppa (ed.) '79, '86, and '87

Why are books disappearing from English classrooms? In a society dominated by two-dimensional electronic images, out-comes-based curricula, and standards tests, some departments of education no longer require the teaching of longer literary forms. In *Read This! Why Books Matter*, teachers, parents, poets, and writers boldly analyze the forces erasing literature from the English classroom, and passionately testify to the irreplaceable role of books in education and in life.

Alumni contributors include: **David Bergen** '85, **Rhian Brynjolson** '84, **Bob Haverluck** '66 and '71, **Catherine Hunter** '86, **Sheldon Oberman** '72, **Marg Rose** '81, and **Karen Zoppa** '79, '86, and '87



NO SAFE HOUSE

Diane Poulin, DCE '03

The rats are stirring under the streets of Oakwood and 11-year-old Jill knows it. She's been feeding them bread in her basement, and before this business is over, four dogs will be dead and three houses will be up for sale on Glendale Avenue. Jill and Blaine are best friends, poised between childhood and adolescence. Their Winnipeg neighbourhood is, as many Canadian cities are, hard working on the outside, with a streak of violence running down the centre, just out of sight...

Author **Diane Poulin** is a 2003 graduate of the Division of Continuing Education Management Diploma program. She moved to Winnipeg from Montreal in her 20s and considers herself to be passionately "prairie." *No Safe House* is her first novel.

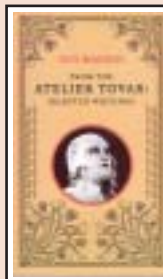


PEGUIS, A NOBLE FRIEND

Donna Sutherland '99

Peguis, A Noble Friend, tells the tale of the founding of the St. Peter (Dynevor) Church and one of its most notable members, Chief Peguis. But how does one obtain historical information on a person born in the 18th century, or a building that was constructed more than 150 years ago? Peguis did not speak or write the English language; therefore, he left no written records. However, he did communicate with many people who wrote about him and those surviving documents provide the fundamental information needed to create this historical account. In 1823, Peguis witnessed the arrival of Protestant missionaries from the Church Missionary Society; most of these missionaries kept journals. Other important information was gleaned from the Hudson's Bay Company post journals, as well as diaries and memoirs written by fur traders in the employ of the North West Company. Richly supported with archival material, *Peguis, A Noble Friend*, offers compelling insight into the life of Peguis, as well as the events that led to the construction of the St. Peter (Dynevor) Church.

In the fall of 2003, **Sutherland** received a Canada Council Grant for Aboriginal/Métis writers that will assist her in her upcoming book called *Nahoway, A Distant Voice*.



FROM THE ATELIER TOVAR

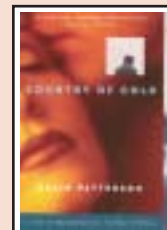
Guy Maddin '78

Guy Maddin is one of Canada's most celebrated and original filmmakers, the director of such films as *Tales from the Gimli Hospital*, *Careful*, *Dracula: Pages from a Virgin's Diary*, and *The Saddest Music in the World*. Few know, however, that he is just as gifted a writer. His prose, as eccentric and enchanting as his film work, is a true delight.

From the *Atelier Tovar* gathers, in one volume, the best of Maddin's writing: his journalism, unpublished short stories and film treatments (including the riotous *Child Without Qualities*), and selections, both lurid and illuminating, from the filmmaker's personal journals. Here are Maddin's feverish musings on hockey, the Osmonds, divas of the Italian silent cinema, Bollywood, his own twisted biography, and much, much more. What emerges finally is both a fragrant potpourri and a treasure trove, a singular portrait of this unique artist.

From the Atelier Tovar has been nominated for the Carol Shields Winnipeg Book Award as part of Brave New Words 2004: The Manitoba Writing and Publishing Awards.

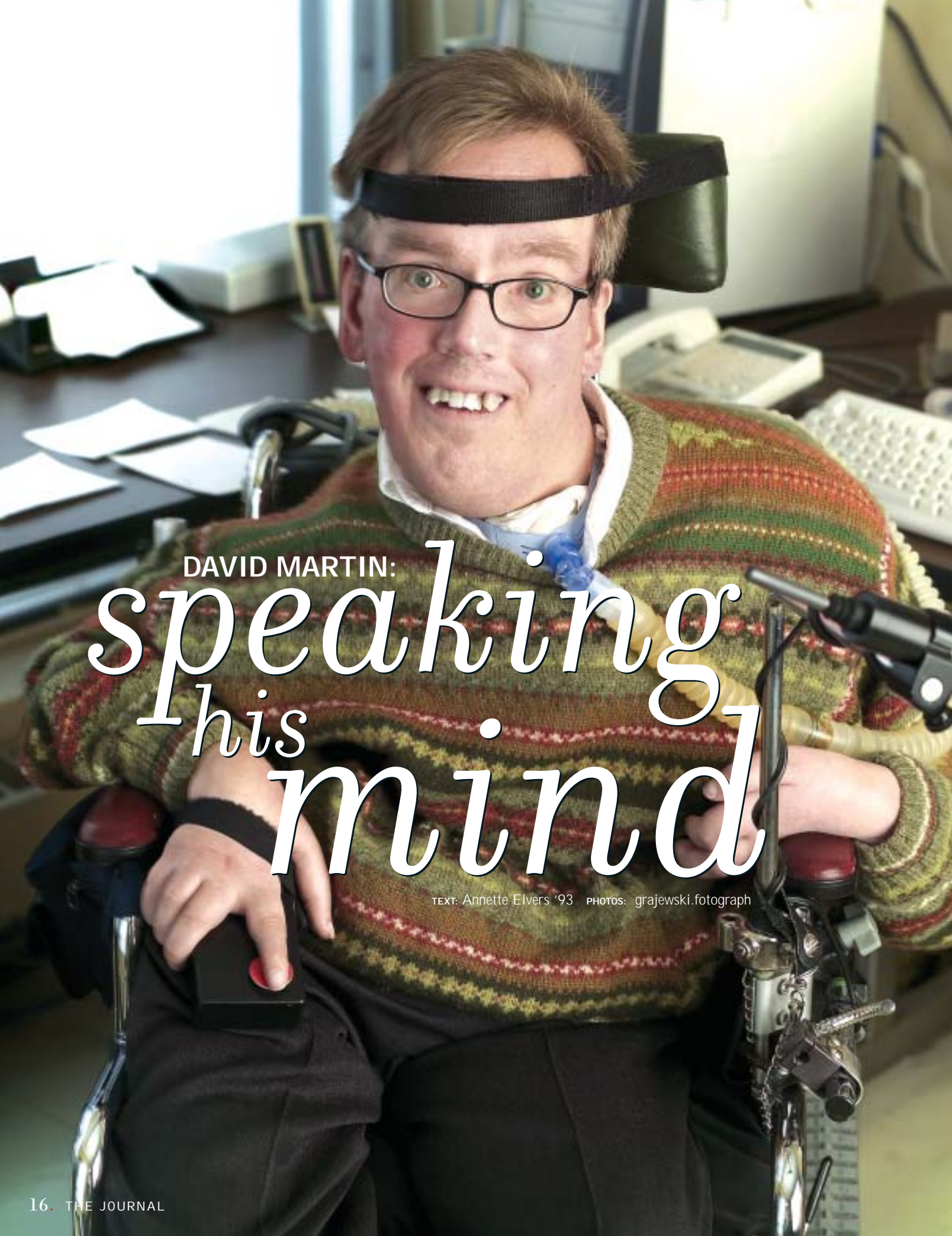
Maddin's latest film, *The Saddest Music* received four Genie award nominations—including Best Director, Costume Design, Editing, and Original Score.



COUNTRY OF COLD

Kevin Patterson
Associate Alumnus '85

Graduating from high school in a small Canadian town, you are immediately faced with two stark choices: leave or stay. *Country of Cold* follows the stories of a disparate group, each a member of the class of 1984 from a small town high school in Manitoba. Most of them leave their home town, imagining that life happens elsewhere. They flee to the freedom of the big cities of the world and the far corners of Canada, but many end up feeling rootless and alone, whether as a physician in an Arctic Inuit community, a temporary boyfriend in Paris, or a student in the McGill Ghetto. The characters attempt to unravel the impossible puzzles of adulthood, searching for answers by hurtling over falls in a barrel, building a boat to escape a teen-daughter-gone-bad, or embarking on an unlikely affair with a two-bit wrestler. **Kevin Patterson** received the Rogers Writers' Trust Fiction Prize for *Country of Cold*.



DAVID MARTIN:

*speaking
his
mind*

TEXT: Annette Elvers '93 PHOTOS: grajewski.fotograph

Like many people, **David Martin** (BA '83) was once afraid of public speaking. More than afraid—"I was terrified!" he admits. But when a fellow student approached him and asked if he'd like to join the University's debating team, he knew an opportunity when he saw it. "The best way to get over my fear was to just do it," says Martin.

He joined the team, and went on to discover just how valuable a degree in politics could be when coupled with the skill to speak your mind and hold your ground. "I've been in front of the media a lot throughout my career," says Martin, who worked for the Manitoba League of Persons with Disabilities for 17 years. "That job was quite political," he adds, putting it mildly. During his days as an advocate, he became a regular source for comment on high-profile issues including the Robert Latimer case, a landmark court battle involving a father who killed his disabled daughter.

"He certainly isn't afraid of speaking his mind now," says **Terry Durham**, a technician in The University of Winnipeg's Biology department who has known Martin since his student days. "Far from it." In addition to acting as a spokesperson during his time with the League, Martin was active in the development of many government policies and programs which support those with disabilities. For the past four years he has continued that work on a different front at Ten Ten Sinclair Housing, Inc., an organization that helps disabled individuals make the transition to independent living. "I actually lived here myself while I was going to university," says Martin, who has a condition known as spinal muscular atrophy, a form of muscular dystrophy.

Now the Managing Director of the place he once called home, Martin oversees Ten Ten and six other buildings connected with the organization. As well as being a transitional residence, Ten Ten offers programs that teach independent living skills, like how to access community resources, manage equipment, and direct attendant staff. "If you have always lived with your mom and dad, you haven't necessarily had to do all those things yourself," says Martin. "People usually find living here quite liberating. I did. I learned a lot about how to organize my life around my disability."

Martin uses a wheelchair, which he operates by manipulating a joystick with his chin. His office is equipped with a computer that is fully voice-activated, as is his phone. He opens and closes the office door with a remote switch connected to his wheelchair. To those unfamiliar with it, some of his equipment seems futuristic, but for Martin it is simply part of daily life. It wasn't always that way.

Martin attended The University of Winnipeg in the 1980s, when the Nathan Micay Disability Resource Centre didn't yet exist, ramps and elevators weren't standard to every building, and there were few services in place for students with disabilities. "I was a rare breed at that time," says Martin. "There weren't many students with disabilities in university." Because there was no staff dedicated to supporting the needs of disabled students, Terry Durham—also responsible for the care of the University's fish, newts, and rodents—was called upon to assist with some of Martin's physical requirements. "We used to joke about it," says Martin. "He looked after the rats, then he looked after me."

Despite the limitations of the services and facilities available on campus at that time, Martin never let his disability become an excuse not to do what he liked. "When David was on the debating team they had their meetings in Wesley Hall, which didn't have an elevator back then," recounts Durham. "I remember one time I saw the whole group get together and lift David up the stairs, wheelchair and all." Martin was equally pragmatic in his approach to academics. "Though his body was uncooperative, he did it all, on time, and at an honours level," says history professor **Bob Young**. "It had a chastening effect on the other students when they had to admit they hadn't done the reading."

When asked how he managed to outperform his classmates in the face of his physical barriers, he responded quickly, "Well, I have a head." To suggest that Martin's intellectual abilities are in any way connected to his physical abilities is definitely a mistake. In fact, he names Young as one of his most memorable professors precisely because Young did not go easy on him, or any of the other students. "He sticks out in my mind because he was incredibly demanding," says Martin. "I knew if I got a decent mark in his class that I deserved it." ■

IN MEMORIAM

COMPILED BY: Betsy Van der Graaf

The University of Winnipeg offers its condolences to the families of the following alumni and friends who have recently passed away. To forever mark their place in the history of the University, The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association is proud to place a bookplate in a select volume in the University Library in memory of each alumnus/alumna.

Blair, Debra Maureen, BA '90 on January 23, 2004 at Cambridge, Ont.

Bridge, Lewis, T '45, M.Div. '81 on October 21, 2003 at Vancouver, BC

Burns (Dozar), Jane, BA '85 on October 17, 2003 at Winnipeg, Man.

Cramer, Raymond J.B., BA '54 on November 12, 2003, at Winnipeg, Man.

Denison, Donald C., BA '53 on September 1, 2003 at Halifax, NS

Docking (Kerns), Mary Elizabeth "Betty," Collegiate '31 on July 21, 2002 at Surrey, BC

Dowhan, Walter, BA '48 on January 19, 2004 at Winnipeg, Man.

Funke, Michael Dennis, BA '74 on January 10, 2004 at Carman, Man.

Gallo, James Joseph Ross (Jim), BA '76 on October 14, 2003 at Winnipeg, Man.

Harland, H. Gordon, BA '42, T '44, BD '45, DD '76 on December 8, 2003 at Winnipeg, Man.

Hill, Thomas William, B.Sc. '71 on October 21, 2003 at Winnipeg, Man.

Loleit, Judy Lynn, '98 DCE on August 7, 2003 at Winnipeg, Man.

Long, Howard Keith, BA '49, B.Ed. '61 on January 29, 2004 at Ladner, BC

Lymych, Mike, B.Sc. '72 on August 24, 2003 at Winnipeg, Man.

McCammion (Templeton), Winnifred, BA '33 on December 27, 2003 at Winnipeg, Man.

Miller, Douglas Allan, BA '65 on August 2, 2003 at Fort Frances, Ont.

Nelson, Garth, BA '51, T '54, BD '61, on September 15, 2001 at Saskatoon, Sask.

Petrowski, Harold, BA '76 on May 29, 2003 at Winnipeg, Man.

Pincock, James Graham, Associate Alumnus '40; former Vice-President (Planning & Development) at The University of Winnipeg, on August 27, 2003 at Winnipeg, Man.

Pink, Lillian, BA '37, Collegiate '34 on February 12, 2004 at Winnipeg, Man.

Pritchard (Tyndale), Zelma, BA '36, on November 29, 2002 at North Vancouver, BC

Purchase, A. Ross, BA '62 on October 21, 2003 at Denver, Col.

Queck, Werner, BA '84 on December 13, 2003 at Winnipeg, Man.

Rachlis (Isenberg), Minnie, BA '42 on January 30, 2004 at Winnipeg, Man.

Samlalsingh, Winston, BA '53 in 1996 at Trinidad

Shaw, Wilfred Tarlton, BA (Hons.) '52, B.Ed. '57 on December 9, 2003 at Winnipeg, Man.

Thorne (Gurowka), Rica, BA '55 on August 12, 2003 at Winnipeg, Man.

Thorogood, Lynne (McCartney), BA '87 on April 12, 2002 at Winnipeg, Man.

Wallace (Spice), Grace, T '36 on November 15, 2003 at Memphis, Tenn.

Walmsley, Sidney Arthur, T '57, B.Th. '68 on October 28, 2003, Portage la Prairie, Man.



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CLASS ACTS

COMPILED BY: Betsy Van der Graaf

1930s

'38, '35 **The Collegiate Tom Miller** is a retired chemical engineer. He lives in Falcon Lake, Man. and spends his winter months in Vancouver, BC.

1940s

'41 **Ellen (Lennox) Watt** lives in Edmonton, Alta. She enjoys the symphony, live theatre, and outdoor activities. She continues to travel as frequently as possible. Ellen attends weekly Italian classes, saying that it is "helpful in keeping the brain cells active."

'46 **Margaret (Main) Schoenberg** is studying Hindi and Malayalam in India, composing music, and writing fiction. Margaret has a son, Paul, a daughter, Roberta, and three grandsons. Margaret received a bachelor's degree in music from NYSU (Potsdam) in 1993. She also holds a PhD from Harvard, as well as degrees from Radcliffe and Adirondack Community College.

'48 **Shirley (Barton) Fahlgren** serves on two provincial boards in Ontario: the Custody Review Board and the Child and Family Services Review Board.



A Class of '49 mini-reunion was held in Victoria, BC in October 2003. Left to right: Art Hammond, Ellen White Moore, Bob Darlington, and Al Tassie

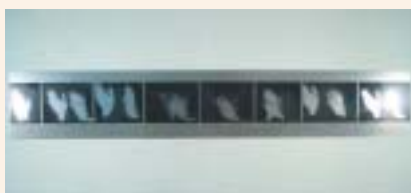
1950s

'50 **Bert Milner** is retired and lives in the Meadowcroft Seniors Residence in Edmonton. He tells us that '40 **Harry Meadows** was involved in the building of the residence a number of years ago.

'53 **Constance Sarchuk** was elected to the 2003-2004 board of directors for the Riverview Health Centre (Manitoba), where '58 **Collegiate graduate Bob Brennan** is Chair.

'57 **John Duffy** is a retired high school principal. Since retirement in 1990, John has taught English in China, Poland, the Czech Republic, and presently in Mexico.

'57 **Shirley (Loyns) Hicks** is a volunteer literacy tutor, following her retirement from teaching English.



*The Class of '58 and friends held a successful fundraiser to raise money for a lasting tribute to their classmate **Beverley Peterson Fillmore**. Fillmore, whose fondest memories of her student days included theatre productions at United College, will be honoured with a piece of artwork which will hang in the foyer of the theatre building. This piece by **Aurora Landin** is called *Clapping/Praying Hands*.*

1960s

'60, '01 **Jurrien Camman** is retired from the United Church of Canada and is now a hospice chaplain at the Hospice of Windsor and Essex County, Ont.

'60 **Doug Norman** has become a registered clinical counsellor in Vancouver, BC, following his training in Gestalt Therapy.

'64 **Edward E. Loucks** lives in Dauphin, Man., where he is a weekend supply minister with the Ochre River United Church.

'65 **Grant Buchanan** is serving a fourth term on Town Council in The Pas, Man. He is a member of the Municipal Board of Manitoba and sits as an employer representative on the Municipal Employees Benefits Program Board of Trustees. Grant loves to golf, play chess, travel, and "hang out" with his grandchildren during his retirement.

'66 **Bob Grose** retired this year after 30 years in the human resources field. Bob is the business agent for the Civic Service Union 52 in Edmonton, Alta.

'66 **Libby Simon**, now retired, worked for over 20 years in the Seven Oaks School Division as a school social worker. Libby

has developed a violence prevention kit, *Don't Fight, It's Not Right*, designed to teach children about peaceful ways to resolve conflicts.

'67 **Rudolf Henkel** is the principal at Risk Management Consulting Associates in Durham, NC.

'67 **Eric Snyder** is the president of TCM.com, Inc. in Nepean, Ont.

'68 **Earl Backman** was appointed as an independent commissioner by the Province of Manitoba to study the salaries and benefits paid to members of the legislative assembly of the province.

'68 **Diane (Moyle) Haglund** is the archivist at the United Church of Canada Conference Archives, which is located in The University of Winnipeg Library.

'68 **Linda Lee** is an active member of the Manitoba chapter of the International Association of Business Communications, serving as secretary of the Canada District One Board in western Canada and Canada District One conference representative on the newly created National Program Council. She is also the Treasurer of the Manitoba Criminal Justice Association, not Vice-President, as reported in the Fall/Winter 2003 issue of the *Journal*. Our apologies for this error.

'68 **Bob Minaker** is the chair of the 2004 Seven Oaks General Hospital board of trustees.

'68 **William Narvey** and spouse '68 **Karen (Silverman) Narvey** live in Calgary, where Bill practises law with Spier Harben and Karen is an insurance broker with the Alberta Auto Association.

'68 **H. Trevor Rutley** has been officially retired from the clergy for 12 years, but at 77 years of age he is still taking some Sunday services, funerals, and weddings.

'69 **Tom Stevenson** owns and operates Web Impressions Ltd. in Surrey, BC.

1970s

'70 **Joanne Kraus** retired in January and is looking forward to spending summers at her cottage and winters in the South.

'70 **J. Cameron Reid** is retired from his position as a minister with the United Church of Canada. He keeps himself busy as a member of the steering committee for the 2010 Olympics (Powell River, BC Division) and as a curling coach for the Special Olympics Association. He has been a member of the Friar's Briar Association in Powell River since 1978.

'70 **Roy Seidler** was chosen the top school administrator in Canada for 2003 by the Canadian Association of School Administrators. Roy was also recognized for his workshops on building relationships between school trustees and their administrators, and for running leadership development programs within the Seine River School Division (Manitoba).

'71 **Stewart Fay** owns a consulting business, South River Management Consulting, in Winnipeg, Man. He is also a singer/songwriter and has released a CD, *Remembering*.

'72 **Linda Rolof** is the mathematics department head with the Lord Selkirk School Division in Selkirk, Man.

'72 **Del Sexsmith** is the secretary of the Rainbow Stage board of directors in Winnipeg, Man. and the general sales manager at Corporate Media Services.



Paul Kushner (left), Bill Blaikie (centre), and Dan Furlan attended a Class of '73 Reunion at University House at 49 Oak in November.

'73 **Gerold Becker** is the senior branch coordinator with Toromont Cat in Thunder Bay, Ont.

'73 **Neil Little** is the general manager, northern region, of Collicutt Energy Services Ltd. in Grande Prairie, Alta.

'73 **Donna (Purves) Wetzel** is an occupational therapist in the home care field in Edmonton, Alta. She is on the board of the Health Sciences Association of Alberta.

'74 **Lee Anne Block** is on leave from her work as a teacher with the Seven Oaks School Division (Manitoba) while working on a doctoral residency in education at the University of North Dakota.

'74 **Zane Lomatski** is the superintendent of arena and wading pool maintenance for the City of Winnipeg.

'74 **Rodney McGill** has retired after 30 years in management, sales, and marketing.

'75 **Margo Charlton** is a grants officer for the Toronto Arts Council. She has her own production company, Hearty Productions. In 2003, she directed and produced *Dying To Be Thin* for Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People in Toronto, Ont. and the Carousel Players in St. Catherines, Ont. In her spare time Margo is studying to be an expressive arts therapist at the International School of Integrated Studies (ISIS) in Toronto.

'75 **Corinne Durston** was named the Director of Branches – West at the Vancouver Public Library. Following 25 years of experience with the Library, Corinne will oversee the operations of nine branches. She is an Adjunct Professor at the University of British Columbia's School of Library, Archival and Information Studies, and has taught Young Adult Literature, Canadian Children's Literature, and Readers' Advisory: Specialized Literatures. Corinne has a Master of Library Science from UBC.

'76 **David Organ** writes architectural specifications for major construction projects. David also administrates contracts and manages architectural projects. He writes poetry in his spare time and is active in his local professional association's board of directors.

'77 **Warren Brown** works for the City of Winnipeg as a building servicer.

'77 **Nancy Cowtun** received a Master of Divinity in community ministries from Prairie Graduate School in Calgary in 2001. Following an intensive chaplaincy residency with the Calgary Health Region, she was appointed Staff Chaplain at the Peter Lougheed Centre in September, 2003.

'77, '90 **Sharon Olson** is a registered massage therapist in Vancouver, BC. Sharon often finds herself quoting Shakespeare, Pope, Shaw, Wilde, etc.

and thanks The University of Winnipeg for "imbuing [her] with a love for the great thinkers of history and a deep respect for the power of the human mind."

'77, '89 **Heidi Streu** is the owner/manager of Erhardt-Streu Floors in Winnipeg, Man.

'78 **Dhanraj Dass** is the owner of the Brahmabhuta Guesthouse in Trinidad.

'78 **Charles Hodgins** lives in Hope, BC, where he is a mental health clinician with the Ministry of Child and Family Development for the Government of British Columbia.

'78 **Lyle Skinner** has retired, following 29 years with the Province of Manitoba as a mineral economist. Lyle volunteers with a number of community organizations and hosts and produces two radio shows on Celtic music.

'78 **Klaus Thiessen** is the president and CEO of the Grand Forks Region Economic Development Corporation in Grand Forks, ND.

'79 **Bruce King**, Associate Alumnus, was appointed to the 2004 board of trustees of the Seven Oaks General Hospital in Winnipeg, Man.

1980s

'80 **Luciano Armenti** is in his 24th year of business with L.A. Music in Selkirk, Man.

'80 **William Graham** is a partner at Bieber Securities Inc. He has been in the investment industry since 1984.

'80 **Sharon Chisvin** is the communications coordinator for the Jewish Foundation of Manitoba in Winnipeg, Man.

'80 **Milton Sussman**, Deputy Minister of Health for the Province of Manitoba, was named to the federal government's new national health council, the Canadian Patient Safety Institute.

'81 **Patricia Hurlburt** is a remote sensing technologist with the provincial government in Winnipeg, Man.

'81 **Murray Ross** is the director of shipment document services at Canadian Pacific Railway in Winnipeg, Man.

'81 **Elsie (Janz) Wolfe** is a mental health worker at Eden Mental Health Services in Winkler, Manitoba.

'82 **Don Boswell** is a claims analyst with the federal government department of Indian Affairs in Ottawa, Ont.

'82 **Barbara Carr, Associate Alumna**, is with customer care/repair at Manitoba Telecommunications Services.

'82 **Christopher Cleverley** was elected to the Winnipeg Real Estate Board's Commercial Division Executive Council. Chris is with the real estate firm of Colliers Pratt McGarry. **Martin McGarry, Collegiate '84** and **John Prall, Collegiate '78** were also elected to the Council.

'82 **Donna Collins** is president of Keith G. Collins Ltd. Donna was recently elected a Fellow of the Canadian Association of Insolvency and Restructuring Professionals.

'82 **Laura Mikuska** is a consultant in the education field. Currently, Laura has the contract to organize the 2004 Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences to be held at the University of Manitoba in June, 2004. Over 6,000 academics representing 70 academic societies will attend this Congress.

'83 **David Friesen** is a client services representative with Hignell Book Printing. He is married and has two sons.

'83 '85 **Amram Greenberg Michaw** teaches fourth grade in Winnipeg, Man.

'83 **Marc Pullan** is self-employed as a consultant in the information technology field for the retail pharmacy trade.

'83 **Lloyd Thomas** is the chair of Aboriginal education and program development at Red River College in Winnipeg, Man.

'84 **Stephen D. Borys** is curator of western art and lecturer in art at the Allen Memorial Art Museum of Oberlin College, Ohio.

'84 '86 **Bheesham Dabie** is a teacher in the Winnipeg School Division.

'84, '96 **Paula Burleson** is clinical supervisor of managed care at Marymound School in Winnipeg, Man.

'84 **Colin Robert Green** is a sessional teacher in history at UBC. Rob received a PhD in Chinese History at the University of British Columbia in 2003. In 1999, Colin married Show-ling (Bonnie) Hsieh in Taipei, Taiwan. Colin and Bonnie met in Taiwan in 1994 when he was studying

Mandarin and Bonnie was studying English.

'84 **John Hreno** is a member of the Province of Manitoba Clean Environment Commission.

'85 **Tina Keeper, Associate Alumna**, received the Aboriginal community's highest honour in 2004, the National Aboriginal Achievement Award.

'85 **Ron Margolis** was appointed president and chief operating officer of CentreVenture Development Corporation in Winnipeg, Man.

'86 **Nidia Maria Santos Gago** is a corporate clerk with AMT Management Services in Winnipeg, Man.

'86 **Sandra (Clubb) Trubyk** is a practical nursing instructor at the Assiniboine Community College's satellite campus in Winnipeg, Man. Sandra graduated in 1988 from the Registered Nursing diploma program at Misericordia Hospital. In 2000, she graduated from Athabasca University in Alberta with a Baccalaureate of Nursing degree. Presently, Sandra is studying in the Master of Science in Administration program through Central Michigan University. She will graduate in 2005.

'87 **Marian Heinrichs** is senior program evaluator at Olmsted County Social Services, in Rochester, Minn.

'87 **Bertram Schneider, Associate Alumnus**, is the producer for Information Radio, CBC's regional morning show in Winnipeg, Man.

'88 **Pratik Modha** is special assistant to Manitoba Premier Gary Doer.

'88 **Judith H. (Joey) Olafsson** is branch head of the City of Winnipeg West End Library.

'88 **Leigh Patterson** has returned to Winnipeg, Man. from Edmonton, Alta. She is now marketing and communications coordinator at Ducks Unlimited for the national/prairie region.

'89 **David Negus** was appointed to the 2003-04 board of directors of the Misericordia Health Centre in Winnipeg, Man.

'89 **Cory St. Jean** is an insurance administrator for the British Columbia Medical Association. Cory received a Fellowship in the International Society of Certified Employee Benefit Specialists in June of 2003.

1990s

'90 **DCE Rosemary Barney** is a teacher assistant in the Portage la Prairie School Division.

'90 **Yvette Deniset** completed a Master of Natural Resource Management in 1994, and worked in the field before starting a family. Yvette has three children, ages seven, five, and two and a half.

'90 **Bryan Doiron** is the vice principal of St. Maurice School in Winnipeg, Man.

'90 **Sandra Johnson** is a program officer with Canada Customs and Revenue Agency in Winnipeg, Man.

'90 **Farouk Khan** is employed in the accounts payable department of Gardewine North in Winnipeg, Man.

'90, '91 **Linda (Petriuk) Lowe** is a librarian with the Government of Manitoba in Winnipeg, Man.

'90 **David Sherman** was appointed executive director of the Folk Arts Council of Winnipeg. He moves to the Council from Jazz Winnipeg Festival.

'90 **Don Thiessen** is a software application trainer for the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority.

'90 **Eleanor Ulasz** is retired, and is now involved with the renewal of Winnipeg's inner city area and the Spence Street Neighbourhood Association.

'91 **John Alho** is the Director of Government Relations in the Office of the Vice-President (External) at the University of Manitoba. John is mandated to promote and enhance the University's strategic relationship with all three levels of government and to advance the University's vision and priorities to governments.

'91 **Rowland Forster** is a financial planning associate with Lawton Partners in Winnipeg, Man.

'91 **Jeff Gort** is a senior technical writer at Silicon Chalk Inc. in Vancouver, BC.

'91 **Leah (Nordrum) Hanson** lives in Kansas City, MO where she is pursuing a master's degree in counseling psychology at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

'91 **James Arthur Lockie** is a forest renewal technician with Conservation Manitoba.

'91 **Daniel Louer** is a personal finance officer and branch compliance officer at Caisse Saint-Boniface Limitée.

'92 **Christian Cassidy** is a special assistant to Dr. Rey Pagtakhan, Minister of Veterans' Affairs and Secretary of State (Science Research and Development).

'92 **Karen Komar** is an accountant with Duha Color Services in Winnipeg, Man.

'92 **Lee Wilson** received the Aboriginal community's highest honour in 2004, the National Aboriginal Achievement Award. Lee is a research associate at the University of Saskatchewan.

'93 **Shirley Cassie-McDonald** is an elementary school counsellor with the Winnipeg School Division.

'93 **Christopher Knowles** received the Certified General Accountants (CGA) designation in the fall of 2003. Chris is an intermediate finance agent at Air Canada in Winnipeg, Man.

'93 **Kevin Longfield** presented a paper to the Canadian Playwriting Conference in 2002 as part of Stratford's 50th anniversary celebrations. Kevin was also involved in the 2003 Winnipeg Fringe Festival with his play, *Your Affectionate Brother*. His play, *From Fire to Flood*, received the Award of Merit in the local history category in the Manitoba Historical Society's Margaret McWilliams competition.

'93 **Patricia Neufeldt** and '90 **Mark Bartel** have moved to Rochester, NY, where Mark is pursuing a Doctorate of Musical Arts in Conducting at the Eastman School of Music. Patricia recently completed a Master of Library and Information Science at The University of Western Ontario and worked as a Team Leader in Undergraduate Recruitment and Admissions at Western.

'93 **Craig Ostermann** is director of material at Standard Aero in Winnipeg, Man.

'93 **Michelle Pearson** is a shared care counselor at the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority. Shared Care is a new innovative approach to mental health counseling in the primary care facility.

'93 **Ngai U** is a researcher at the Education and Youth Affairs department in Macao, China. Ngai is also a PhD student at Beijing Normal University. He and his wife are proud to announce the arrival of a son, Seng Ian U.

'94 **Hernan Gutierrez** is an accountant at Crown Utilities in Winnipeg, Man.

'94 **Gavin Johnson** is an ESL visiting professor at Kwandong University in Korea.

'94 **M. Jane Maslowski** is the Director of Safety and Environmental Services at the Canadian Science Centre for Human and Animal Health.

'94 **Troy Ruhr** lives and works in Cozumel, Mexico. He is the owner of Pelagic Ventures, a diving and fishing expedition business.

'95 **Robert Hardy** is a senior communications officer with the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) in Winnipeg, Man.

'95 **Tanya Helton** is an instructor at Northern Lights College at Fort St. John, BC.

'96 **Ryan Linton** is a senior consultant with Microsoft Corporation in the state of Washington, USA.

'96 **Mahmood Randeree** is the director of scientific and technical support for the department of agriculture conservation and environment in North West Province, South Africa.

'96 **Faralee Shipley** was elected to the 2004 board of the Manitoba Exercise Professionals Association.

'96 **Myrle Traverse** is a member of the Province of Manitoba Clean Environment Commission.

'97 **Shannon Crowe** is the registrar at St. Mary's College, Calgary, Alta.

'97 **Tamara Hiller-Hitchcock** and '96 **Gord Hitchcock** live in Simcoe Ont. Gord practices medicine in Simcoe, and they home-school their three children. Tamara is very involved in the community.

'97 **Steve Kotowich** was part of an outdoor adventure team, Team NDX, which competed in the 2003 Raid the North Extreme in August last year. The adventure is a six-day, 450-kilometre trek near

Atikokan, Ont., where the competitors race against one another through different kinds of difficult Canadian Shield terrain.

'97 **Janna (Wilson) Shymko** is pursuing a PhD in soil science at the University of Manitoba. Janna married '02 **Randall Shymko** in 2002.

'98 **Noel Bruce** is an education counsellor for post-secondary students in the Poplar River First Nation at Negginan, Man. Noel is also president of the local fur council and is a member of working groups involving "Park Status" and the Aboriginal Healing Foundation.

'98 **Angele Maki** has completed a PhD at Stanford University and is currently a postdoctoral student at the Scripps Research Institute in San Diego, CA. She is working on designed transcription factors in a molecular biology department.

'98 **Suzanne Stockmann** graduated from Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, IA in 2002. Suzanne has her own practice in Headingley, Man.

'98 **Lorena Swanson Frost** earned the designation of Certified Management Accountant in 2003, and is employed with Matrix Packaging Inc.

'98 **Amanda (Freedman) Tetrault** is an outdoor and environmental education teacher in the River East-Transcona School Division in Winnipeg, Man. Amanda was awarded the 2003 Prime Minister's Award (Certificate of Achievement), presented in 2003 at a teachers' international conference in Atlanta, GA.

'98 **Amanda Wintink** is at Dalhousie, studying for a PhD in psychology/neuroscience. She is playing on the Dalhousie Women's Varsity hockey team for her third year.

'99 **Terri Grier** received her chartered accountant designation this year and is a manager of the Assurance and Advisory Services Group at Deloitte and Touche in Winnipeg, Man.

'99 **Daina Leitold** plays a leading role in the new feature film, *East of Euclid*, by director/producer Jeff Solylo. The film premiered at the National Screen Institute's Film Exchange Festival, held in Winnipeg in March 2004.

'99 **Kimberley Macdonald** teaches math and physical education at West Kildonan Collegiate in Winnipeg, Man.

'99 **DCE John Iverson**, a senior programmer/analyst at the Canadian Grain Commission, has completed the Web Development Diploma at The University of Winnipeg's Division of Continuing Education. He also has a classical/new age radio program on the University's radio station CKUW on Sunday mornings. As well, John is an active participant and fundraiser for the Manitoba Marathon.

'99 **Ian Larke** is in the final year of a master's degree in applied psychology at the University of Calgary, specializing in School Psychology. His thesis concerns bullying and aggressive behaviour in elementary school students.

'99 **DCE Doris Young**, executive director of the Aboriginal Initiatives department at Keewatin Community College in The Pas, Man., was appointed to the board of the Women's Enterprise Centre of Manitoba.

2000s

'00 **Scott Chudley** is a golf professional at the HarbourView Golf Course in Winnipeg, Man. Scott has been a member of the Canadian Professional Golf Association for 10 years. He teaches all levels of golf and plays competitively as well.

'00 **Emma (Kuber) Hladun** is a fermentation technician with Cangene Corporation in Winnipeg, Man. Emma was married in 2000 and has a son, Conner Mathew, who was born in 2003.

'00 **Adam Olson** is currently a PhD student at the University of Manitoba. His wife '00 **Christine Mesa** is a lab technician with Health Canada.

'00 **LaDawn Siemens** teaches math and science with the Garden Valley School Division in Winkler, Man.

'01 **LLD Abraham Arnold** was appointed a member of the Order of Canada in the federal government's New Year's honours list.

'01 **Larissa Ashdown** is the intake coordinator for Manitoba's Minister of Health. Following graduation, Larissa served two consecutive terms as president of The University of Winnipeg Students' Association. She is also a volunteer with the United Nations Association in Canada as the Winnipeg regional coordinator of the Youth for Diversity project.

'01 **Kevin Carter** worked for a year at an environmental lab after graduating with a B.Sc. He is now an education student at The University of Winnipeg.

'01 **Sophan Chhin** received a master's degree in botany from the University of Manitoba in 2003. She is now pursuing doctoral studies in the department of renewable resources at the University of Alberta on a Canada Graduate Scholarship.

'01 **Andrea Kostyniuk** is a validation specialist for Vita Health Products Inc. in Winnipeg, Man.

'01 **DCE J. Sharon Leonard** is an administrator with The University of Winnipeg's Division of Continuing Education.

'01 **DCE Karen Oliver** has become the first female general manager of the Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba. The exhibition is located in Brandon, Man.

'01 **DCE Richard Price** is a subrogation supervisor with Manitoba Public Insurance in Winnipeg, Man.

'01 **David Tkach** is pursuing a master's degree in philosophy at Concordia University in Montreal, Que.

'01 **Aneesa Zafar** is a treatment counsellor and risk assessor in Manitoba, currently working with adult male sexual offenders on probation/parole. She has also taught seminars in assessing potential risks for community and employees when working with these individuals as some suffer mental illness or developmental delays. Aneesa credits The University of Winnipeg for the opportunities in her career, and offers her

thanks for helping her to give back to her community.

'02 **Ian Coupland** and spouse '97 **Sherrisse (Bylyna) Coupland** are both program coordinators at Hydra House Ltd. in Winnipeg, Man.

'02 **Melanie Hasenheit** is an administrative associate at Doheny Securities Ltd. where she is working towards a career in financial life planning. Melanie is on the board of directors for both the Immigrant Women's Association of Manitoba and The University of Winnipeg's new Margaret Laurence Women's Studies Centre. Melanie is in charge of organizing the Immigrant Women's Association newsletter and takes dance classes in her spare time.

'02 **Heather Hordienko** is a student at the CancerCare Manitoba School of Radiation Therapy. Heather is a member of the Winnipeg Wasps Rugby Club.

'02 **James D. Kliewer** is a policy advisor with the government of Alberta in Edmonton, Alta.

'02 **Cherissa Richards** is in Montreal with the National Theatre School and has her own acting company called Coloured Girls.

'02 **Jeanette Bautista** is in a master's program in computer science at the University of British Columbia.

'03 **Jennifer Faulder** is the director of the new Margaret Laurence Women's Studies Centre at The University of Winnipeg.

'03 **Crystal Marion** is a program assistant at Frontier College Students for Literacy, which recruits volunteers to tutor youth struggling with reading and writing. Crystal is also actively involved in the Canada World Youth Winnipeg alumni group.

'03 **Kristen Nord** lives in London, Ont. where she is taking a photography program at Fanshaw College. She expects to graduate in 2005.

WHAT'S NEW WITH YOU?

Fill out the Update Your Alumni Record card provided in each issue of the *Alumni Journal* and send it in, or visit <http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/web/alumni/whatnew.shtml> and fill out the form on-line. Let us know what's new with you and we'll print your update in *Class Acts*. Pictures are welcome, but the *Journal* is not able to return photos. Please keep this in mind if you are sending originals.

The University of Winnipeg

Foundation Update

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Welcome to Foundation Update, bringing the latest information on fundraising initiatives in support of The University of Winnipeg and its Collegiate.

Foundation mounts Collegiate Campaign, Jim MacDonald to Chair



With an eye on the future and the needs of today's students, The University of Winnipeg Foundation is mounting a dedicated fundraising initiative for the 131-year-old University of Winnipeg Collegiate. Foundation Board member Jim MacDonald (Collegiate '64), Vice President of RBC Dominion Securities and committed alumnus of The Collegiate, has accepted the role as Chair of The Campaign for The Collegiate.

The top priority for the Campaign is to raise significant endowed funds for Collegiate bursaries and scholarships, plus capital funds for Wesley Hall restoration and academic enhancements.

Watch for the launch of The Collegiate's annual giving program this spring. To update alumni records, call, toll free: 888.829.7053.

**Wesley Hall:
The Castle on Portage Avenue**



Long-awaited restoration to the exterior façade of Wesley Hall is underway, funded in part by the Government of Manitoba. Over the course of this year and next, the exterior façade will be replaced with a new façade. Details next issue.

Students donate to Aboriginal Students' Centre

The students of the University, represented by The University of Winnipeg Students' Association (UWSA), have donated \$50,000 from their own funds to help build a new Aboriginal Students' Centre on campus.



"We're excited to see this first donation for the Centre coming from students themselves," says University Chancellor and Foundation Board Chair Sandy Riley. "This important initiative will have a great impact on the future success of our students." Riley says further fundraising for the Aboriginal Students' Centre is underway, with over \$5 million needed to fund this project.

"We feel that the University should be completely accessible to people from all walks of life and different backgrounds," says UWSA President Chris Minaker. "Our gift highlights our desire to make that happen."

**Honorary Doctor of Letters
Wanda Koop donates painting
to raise funds for University
filmmaking and art gallery**



Wanda Koop, Sun Series - Paul 3, 1997, acrylic on canvas, 48" x 48"

Would you like to own this painting? One of Canada's most distinguished and inventive artists, Wanda Koop, has donated this important artwork from her collection for a fundraising draw in support of the University's filmmaking program and Gallery 1C03. Wanda Koop has exhibited her work internationally and received an honorary Doctor of Letters degree from the University in 2002.

An important painter, she is increasingly recognized for her poetic video work and is also known for her community involvement in founding a storefront art centre for youth.

Only 500 draw tickets will be printed for this artwork, valued at \$16,000. Tickets for the October 2004 draw may be purchased for \$50 each from Carole Anderson: 204.786.9490; e-mail: c.anderson@uwinnipeg.ca

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www.uwinnipegfoundation.ca; or call
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other Foundation initiatives.*



mm, Nadine Kampen '81

meet Jim MacDonald

...Chair, The Campaign for The Collegiate

Jim MacDonald is no stranger to The Collegiate. He is, in fact, a long-time champion of the school, a Collegiate graduate himself (Class of '64), founder of The Collegiate's Alumni Association, major Collegiate donor over many years, University Board of Regents member for nine years, and a founding member of the new University of Winnipeg Foundation Board of Directors. His commitment and energy as the leading force behind The Campaign for The Collegiate is welcome indeed.

Jim MacDonald's vision is to ensure that the special experience that is a Collegiate education be accessible for students who need financial support. The top priority is to raise significant additional levels of endowed funds for Collegiate bursaries and scholarships, plus capital funds for the Wesley Hall restoration and academic enhancements.

"The Collegiate," says Jim, "is a remarkable place. It has the ability to bring out the best in everyone, and it is flexible enough to allow each person to develop in the way that is best for him or her." Jim experienced that personal growth first-hand. He values the traditions of independence, caring, and respect that are so much a part of the Collegiate's culture.

He wants to put the proper financial supports in place so that many students who need help can benefit from the life-changing opportunities that a Collegiate education provides, at a time in the students' lives when they need direction. Two years at The Collegiate turned Jim's life around. "I know there are students out there who are like me," says Jim, "who, without The Collegiate's special touch, would be headed for a life of underachievement."

"It is no secret that I did not like school, and school did not like me," says the highly successful stockbroker, who

began his truancy in Grade 2. He recalls a memorable trip to the railroad bridge, and getting the strap at school afterwards for his show of independence. It marked the start of a long-lasting pattern of tuning out at school; and while he loved to read, hiding a book underneath his desk, his marks were dismally low.

"By the end of my second year of Grade 9, not having passed French, I was put in the High School Leaving Program, which ended in Grade 11. At the end of Grade 11, I was at home, supposedly studying for my finals, and the realization hit me," says Jim. "School for me was finished. I wouldn't be going on to Grade 12. I had no expertise, no training, no abilities. I suddenly got this awful feeling of anxiety. I still remember that feeling."

Fortunately, Jim's aunt arranged for an interview for him with Lorne Tomlinson, then Dean of The Collegiate, and he was admitted into Grade 11. "The Dean saw something that he liked, I guess."

It was a time of hard work and achievement. Jim successfully completed both years, gaining respect for his teachers, restored self-esteem, excellent marks, lifelong friends, and a deep sense of gratitude to the high school that allowed him to imagine new possibilities for himself.

Later, Jim went on to obtain a university degree in finance and banking – a great feat for an individual who struggled with mathematics. That struggle ended when he became a student of The Collegiate's remarkable Miss Mills, who taught him, above all, the art of self-discipline.

"Now," he says, "I want others who can't afford to go to The Collegiate to have the same opportunities I had." His dream is that Collegiate alumni everywhere will share the desire to give back to their Collegiate some measure of what was given to them.

The University of Winnipeg Foundation is pleased to note that four members of its Board are graduates of The University of Winnipeg Collegiate: James A. Richardson ('67), Randall L. Moffat ('61), Leonard Asper ('82), and James D. MacDonald ('64). Foundation CEO Susan A. Thompson is also a Collegiate graduate ('67) and a University of Winnipeg graduate (BA '71).

building for the future: *The Campaign* for *The Collegiate*

Imagine a high school where diversity, freedom – and its complement, responsibility – and a passion for learning are at the very heart of every decision. Imagine a high school where different is good and where students are given the tools to make their own decisions.

"The University of Winnipeg Collegiate is all about students," says Collegiate Dean Rob Bend. "And it's been our experience that students actually love to learn within an environment of mutual respect and dignity."

Each year about 580 students attend The Collegiate. Over the years, scholarships and bursaries have been created to provide students with the financial resources they need to attend the 131-year old alternative to public high schools. Last year alone, 60 students received bursaries and another 28 students received scholarships. But that's just not enough.

"The financial assistance we're able to offer to students is usually for the first year only," says Bend. "We simply can't guarantee funds into the second or third years. That's why the launch of a special Campaign for The Collegiate is such great news for students."

The Campaign, under the leadership of Campaign Chair and Collegiate grad Jim MacDonald '64, will build substantial endowed funds for student scholarships and bursaries.

"The Collegiate has a commitment to building a diverse student body," says Dean Bend. "Creating thoughtful and sustainable financial supports will enable us to offer a Collegiate education not only to students who can afford the tuition or whose grades are acceptable, but also to those students who show promise and want to become part of a unique learning environment that values intellectual, social, and personal development."

The University of Winnipeg Collegiate began in 1873, serving as a stepping-stone to university courses offered at the then Manitoba College. The school remained open through the two World Wars, and following the union of Manitoba and Wesley colleges, continued to provide secondary education within United College, calling Wesley Hall home, The University of

Winnipeg Collegiate extends its unique educational offerings to students in grades 10, 11, and 12 (S2-4).

While Rob Bend has been Dean of The Collegiate for just the past three years, he marvels at the caring culture of inquiry that faculty and staff create for students year after year. And it is remarkable, he says, how students live up to the expectation that they become active participants of this unique learning community.

"Collegiate students respond well when given the reins of freedom and responsibility," says Bend. "We always offer up our best advice, but in the end the students make their own decisions and live by and with them."

Creating an environment that empowers learners to become responsible members of a civil society has been the work of The Collegiate since before the turn of the nineteenth century. To offer that kind of learning opportunity to an increasingly diverse student population is the goal of The Collegiate as it embarks into the twenty-first century. The success of The Campaign for the Collegiate will provide a solid foundation for that work.

Collegiate
Dean Rob Bend



For over a decade, Kathleen (Graham) Birchall has had a mission - to create a legacy as a tribute to her late husband, Dr. Roger Graham, a distinguished writer and teacher of Canadian History. "Kay" and Roger were classmates and sweethearts at United College (1939-1941), years which Kay describes as "the most important formative years of my life." Now the Roger and Kathleen Graham Scholarship honours people and accomplishments of the past while supporting people and their accomplishments in the future.

When asked what inspired her to leave a legacy, Kay replied, "My mother told me that you can't rule from the grave! If you believe in something strongly, you must take care of it now!" Kay has energetically built this scholarship and has encouraged her classmates in the Class of '41 to contribute as well. Last year, Kay decided to take out a life insurance policy to ensure the viability of this scholarship in perpetuity.

the gift of a lifetime:

giving through life insurance

with Patti Tweed '95

When considering a gift of life insurance, it is important to consult with an insurance professional, and to understand the tax benefits of various choices. Kay's advisor is Peter Kingston of CIBC Wood Gundy in Kingston, Ontario. "Typically," says Kingston, "life insurance donors are those who have either worked or studied (or both) at a particular institution. They want to be able to do something significant with relatively modest means. People can be philanthropists at virtually any income level. It gives them satisfaction today, knowing the effect their gifts will have tomorrow."

Charitable life insurance can be an effective way to help loyal donors meet their charitable goals. Gifts can build funds that will not only provide the much-needed resources for ongoing programs, but could also enable building, research, and scholarship programs to proceed. It is an ideal way of making a modest gift today with a large impact in the future. This is not to overlook the immediate needs of the University! But with some careful thought, other forward-thinking donors may combine their giving, like Kathleen Birchall has done, to include both a current and a long-term view.



Kathleen (Graham) Birchall is pictured here with this year's recipient of the Roger and Kathleen Graham Scholarship, Zachary Schnitzer. Kathleen and her husband, Air Commodore Leonard Birchall, host a dinner annually for all of the recipients of the R. and K. Graham Scholarship. Kay takes a personal interest in each student and offers them encouragement and inspiration along the way.

You may donate to The University of Winnipeg Foundation using a life insurance policy as an effective tax strategy in several ways:

1. Gift an existing policy, assigning ownership of the policy to The University of Winnipeg Foundation.
2. Buy a new policy and name The University of Winnipeg Foundation as both owner and beneficiary.

Note: Both of the above choices result in immediate tax relief.

The following choices provide tax relief to the donor's estate:

3. Leave a life insurance policy (new or existing) to The University of Winnipeg Foundation in your will. In this case, the donor owns the policy (so the premiums are not tax deductible), but the death benefit, payable to the estate, may be offset by a tax-receptable gift to The University of Winnipeg Foundation.
4. Retain ownership of a life insurance policy, but change the beneficiary to The University of Winnipeg Foundation. Upon death, the insurance proceeds bypass the estate and are payable directly to the Foundation, thus avoiding probate. A tax receipt is issued to the deceased for use on his or her final tax return (as in example 3 above).

For more information about how you may make a gift to The University of Winnipeg, please contact Patti Tweed, Development Officer, Major and Planned Gifts, The University of Winnipeg Foundation, at 204.786.9123 or by email at p.tweed@uwinnipeg.ca

LOOKING BACK

"Looking Back" is a new regular department of the Journal. By reserving this page for nostalgic photos and tidbits of history, we hope to give you a sense of the longstanding tradition of The University of Winnipeg. For some readers, it will bring back memories. For others, it will put your time at the University in context. For all, we hope it will be a source of pride, that you are part of a rich and fascinating heritage.

Wesley Hall: The Castle on Portage Avenue

For almost 110 years, Wesley Hall has inspired greatness. As the flagship building for Wesley College, United College, and finally The Collegiate and The University of Winnipeg, it has brought out the best in generations of loyal students.

Wesley Hall has played many roles in the lives of students, staff, and faculty. Now the site of Collegiate classes and administrative offices, some former students may remember

when it housed the men's residence. Other alumni, like **Sterling Lyon** (see page 14) have fond memories of Tony's cafeteria, which is still a popular place to meet, study, and share a meal with friends and colleagues. This installment of *Looking Back* focuses on Wesley Hall's early days. For more photos and regular updates about Wesley Hall's renovations, visit www.uwinnipeg.ca or see page 7 of the *Journal*.



Celebration on the front lawn – The RJ Staples Band. Can Journal readers tell us more?



On January 6, 1896 students and faculty moved into the magnificent new building, the 'finest and best equipped in the country' according to Vox Wesleyana.



In June of 1894 the cornerstone of Wesley College was laid.

The next installment of "Looking Back" will focus on life in residence at The University of Winnipeg. Do you have a photo of your time in residence that you would like to share? Submit your picture, along with a description and a completed "Update Your Alumni Record" postcard, to Lois Cherney at the address on page 2. The first three alumni to respond will receive a prize, so send in your photos today! Please note: the *Journal* is not able to return photos. Please keep this in mind if you are sending originals.



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