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The University of Winnipeg
Family Campaign

By Ilana Simon

University of Winnipeg faculty, staff, and retirees celebrated the Family Campaign wrap up March 22, 2006 with news that the internal campaign exceeded its \$1-million target—reaching \$1.4 million in gifts and pledges.

"I want to thank all of the 52 volunteer canvassers—academics and administrative staff—who gave continually of their time. Please join me in recognizing the work, generosity, and achievement of all of these volunteers," said Family Campaign Vice-Chair Mavis Reimer at the celebration. "I also want to thank all of the donors. The response to this Campaign has been tremendous."

University President and Family Campaign Chair Lloyd Axworthy said the successful internal campaign is an important message to send out to the broader community. "It shows an enormous sense of commitment to The University of Winnipeg by faculty, staff, and retirees," he said, adding 19 new funds were established and many existing scholarship and bursary funds enhanced. "Every day, faculty and staff give generously of their time and talents to our students. It is not surprising then that they would want to extend that generosity by making this kind of financial commitment as well."

In total, more than 425 donors supported the Family Campaign, including over 70 anonymous givers and 135 first-time donors to the University. Over 50 per cent of faculty and staff, and 40 per cent of retirees, supported the Campaign. As well, the Campaign celebrated 100 per cent support from its 52 volunteer canvassers.

Campaign Chair R.M. (Bob) Kozminski commended the generosity of University faculty, staff, and retirees and noted there is still time for others to be counted as Campaign supporters.



MEMBERS OF UWinnipeg's INTERNAL FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE POPPED BOTTLES OF CHAMPAGNE TO MARK THE SUCCESS OF THE INTERNAL FAMILY CAMPAIGN AT A CELEBRATION MARCH 22, 2006. PICTURED ARE: JUDY DYCK, NEIL BESNER, LAURA SOKAL, RICK SITARZ, AND RITA STREUBER

As well, Kozminski announced a remarkable \$1-million gift from Chancellor H. Sanford Riley to benefit the study of Canada's history through a new fellowship fund.

The H. Sanford Riley Fellowships in Canadian History are designed to initiate dynamic relations between The University of Winnipeg and the country's top historians. Chancellor Riley believes, "Our country's history must be taught, celebrated, written about, and shared with others in ways we can get excited about."

The fellowships will enable historians to visit the University to undertake research projects, conduct academic seminars, and offer public lectures on the history of Canada. Each Fellow will be invited to deliver a Distinguished Lecture to the community and to develop an interest in Canadian history among high school students.

Honorary Family Campaign Chair Dr. Henry (Harry) E. Duckworth concluded the Family Campaign celebration with an entertaining toast to the generous donors, to all Family Campaign volunteers, and to the munificent Chancellor for his gift to support Canadian history.



UWinnipeg honours Christine McKee

Community Activist, Former IUS
Director, City Planner & City Councillor

By Ilana Simon

The University of Winnipeg named the building at 520 Portage Avenue—housing its Institute of Urban Studies—in honour of the late Christine McKee for her many years of dedication to the University and to the greater Winnipeg community.

"This is an appropriate way to honour Christine's life and work," said Lloyd Axworthy, President of The University of Winnipeg. "The attributes of Christine McKee are many as an academic, a researcher, a city planner, and a civic leader."

The University of Winnipeg is active today as a partner and a neighbour in the inner city thanks to the spirit McKee brought to the University as IUS director, Axworthy recounted. "She realized the University had an obligation



UWINNIPEG PRESIDENT LLOYD AXWORTHY, BUILDING OWNER HART MALLIN, LIEUTENANT COMMANDER CONOR MCKEE, AND JASPER MCKEE UNVEILED A COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE IN CHRISTINE MCKEE'S HONOUR

to open its doors to our inner-city neighbours, to use our resources to benefit those who live among us, and to interact in their lives in a real way."

Dr. Jasper McKee, the late Christine McKee's husband, recalled that Christine's time at IUS was among the happiest of her career. "It was a period of great affection for the team spirit and unity of purpose of the Institute of Urban Studies."

Many of Christine's friends and colleagues attended the event, a testimony to her impact on the community.

democracy in action:

UWinnipeg Community heads to PERU

By Ilana Simon

University of Winnipeg students, alumni, and faculty are currently witnessing "democracy in action" as observers of this month's fiercely-contested Peruvian elections.

University President Lloyd Axworthy is leading the Organization of American States (OAS) Electoral Observation Mission monitoring the April 9, 2006 general elections in Peru. The University of Winnipeg, through its Global College, is the first post-secondary institution ever to have students involved in an OAS mission of this kind.



PERU MISSION PARTICIPANTS INCLUDE DERRICK MARTENS, EMINA CINGEL, EWALD FRIESEN, DR. LLOYD AXWORTHY, AND UWINNIPEG GEOGRAPHY PROFESSOR GEOFF SCOTT. MISSING: JENNIFER ZORN-FORD AND REMI GOSSELIN.

Current UWinnipeg students Ewald Friesen and Derrick Martens, UWinnipeg alumni Emina Cingel and Jennifer Zorn-Ford, St. Boniface College student Remi Gosselin, and UWinnipeg Geography Professor Geoff Scott are participating in the Peru mission from April 3 - 12.

In front of television cameras and reporters at the March 30 news conference, Cingel, a 2005 graduate in International Development and Conflict Resolution studies, said, "This is a great opportunity after studying international development to get experience in the field."

Ewald Friesen, a fourth-year Honours Politics student, added, "Going to Peru on this mission is an amazing opportunity and a great complement to my otherwise theoretical degree."

Members of the OAS mission are charged with observing the voting process to ensure against intimidation, fraud, and counting irregularities. They also handle complaints of voting discrepancies and report them to OAS headquarters.

"I am personally delighted to be involved and our students and alumni will be great ambassadors for The University of Winnipeg," said Geography Professor Geoff Scott, who has previously visited Peru four times for research.

The student involvement on the OAS Electoral Observation Mission is just one way The University of Winnipeg is facilitating opportunities for its students and alumni to make a difference as global citizens.

Please visit the Peru blog at
<http://blog.uwinnipeg.ca/peru2006/>

Roméo Dallaire: on the failure of humanity

By Ilana Simon

Over 700 people—including scores of high school and UWinnipeg students—attended a free public lecture on human rights reform with Sen. Roméo Dallaire March 9, 2006 at The University of Winnipeg.

Presented by the Global College Delegation of Rights & Democracy, the lecture was part of an intensive student workshop on human rights reform.

"This evening is an extraordinary event not simply because we have Romeo Dallaire with us tonight but because it is both a capstone and a first phase of an ongoing project concerning human rights at The University of Winnipeg," said James Christie, Dean of Theology and Dean of Global College.

A major summit on issues of global citizenship and human rights is scheduled for this Fall in partnership with the Arthur V. Mauro Centre For Peace and Justice, the Canadian Museum for Human Rights, and Rights & Democracy.

Dallaire will return to The University of Winnipeg in August to stage a conference on child soldiers "to dissect this doctrine of the use of children in conflict." Child soldiers, NGOs, and military personnel will be among the conference participants.

"It's important that we are doing it here," said Dallaire. "It reinforces Winnipeg and The University of Winnipeg as the core centre of human rights intellectual and practical development of this nation."

The University of Winnipeg also provided a simultaneous webcast and podcast of Senator Dallaire's public lecture and student workshop. Those who were unable to attend the presentations or who would like a second viewing can visit the webcast archive, located at <http://epresence.uwinnipeg.ca>

Podcasts are also available at <http://web.mac.com/uwinnipeg>



SENATOR THE HON. ROMÉO DALLAIRE (CENTRE) WITH UWinnipeg STUDENTS (FROM LEFT) JENNIFER MONTEBRUNO, JAMES JOHNSTON, REYNOLD FAST, AND ERIN MCSHANE

addressing a need: UWinnipeg trains Aboriginal teachers

By Ilana Simon

To tackle the severe shortage of Aboriginal teachers in the public school system, The University of Winnipeg is training Aboriginal teachers—with an eye toward making a difference in their lives and the lives of their future students.

"All of the partners are united in the belief that we must diversify the face of the teaching population in Manitoba to be reflective of its students," said Annabelle Mays, UWinnipeg Academic and Special Projects Officer and the former Dean of Education involved in establishing the Community-based Aboriginal Teacher Education Program (CATEP) with program partners: the Province of Manitoba, the Winnipeg School Division, and the Seven Oaks School Division.

The innovative program provides opportunities for Aboriginal educational assistants employed in Winnipeg and Seven Oaks school divisions to continue working while earning a BA/B.Ed. teaching degree at The University of Winnipeg through the Province of Manitoba's ACCESS program. CATEP also receives support from Employment Insurance Canada.

"I love working with kids and the dynamic of schools and I'm really enjoying being here [at UWinnipeg]," said Lance Guilbault, a Winnipeg School Division educational assistant enrolled in CATEP.

Seventeen students are members of the University's first CATEP cohort, which began last fall. Students are currently taking classes at The University of Winnipeg's Wii Chiiwaakanak Learning Centre Wednesday evenings and Saturdays. It is expected to take students approximately six-and-a-half years to earn their degrees with part-time classes from September to April, and full-time studies in May, June, and July.

"It's important for students and learners to have mentors from their own communities and obviously we need more Aboriginal teachers," said Manitoba Advanced Education and Training Minister Diane McGifford. "They will serve as an inspiration and role models to others. CATEP is a home-grown solution with great partners."

(coming events)

For a more detailed listing visit the events calendar at www.uwinnipeg.ca

April 18

Food For Thought, starting 6:30 p.m. in Centennial Hall, alumni volunteers will be sharing juice, oranges, cookies, and encouragement with students studying on campus throughout the evening.

April 18

Public Lecture: Tim Flannery, *Global Warming* - 2:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. in Theatre B (4M47). This event is free and all are welcome to attend.

April 19

Symposium: When Energy Demand Exceeds Supply - Peak Oil Debate. The symposium will feature a panel of speakers from government, industry, and academia on the topic of "peak oil." The featured speaker for the free public event in the evening is James Howard Kunstler, author of "The Long Emergency: Surviving the Converging Catastrophes of the Twenty-First Century." 9:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the

Winnipeg Art Gallery. Presented by the Institute of Urban Studies and the Centre for Sustainable Transportation.

April 19

Virtuosi Concerts presents: Mozartfest 2006, "A Journey Through the Mozart Piano Sonatas," 7:30 p.m. in Eckhardt-Gramatté Hall*

April 20

Virtuosi Concerts presents: Mozartfest 2006, Concert #1, Robert Silverman, piano, 8:00 p.m. in Eckhardt-Gramatté Hall*

April 22

Virtuosi Concerts presents: Mozartfest 2006, CONCERT #2, featuring Robert Silverman, piano, 8:00 p.m. in Eckhardt-Gramatté Hall*

April 24

Brown Bag Lecture Series: Dr. Eliakim Sibanda, Department of History, 12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. in 3C01.

April 24 - 28

UWinnipeg's Annual Enrichment Mini Course Program. For more information, please contact Rebecca Stillwell at r.stillwell@uwinnipeg.ca

April 27 - 30

Manitoba Schools Science Symposium at The University of Winnipeg Duckworth Centre.

April 28

University of Winnipeg Annual Retirement Reception, 2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. in Riddell Hall.

April 28

25th Annual Prairie Undergraduate Research Conference, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Guest Speaker: Barrie Frost, Professor Emeritus in the Department of Psychology at Queen's University. Frost will discuss his work on visual and auditory brain mechanisms. For more information, visit <http://io.uwinnipeg.ca/~psych/conf/conf06/conf06.html>

May 3 & 4

Winnipeg City Summit - for more information, visit <http://www.winnipegcitysummit.ca/>

May 5

Fundraiser: The Aurora Family Therapy Centre presents musical guests James Keelaghan & Sam Baardman 8:00 p.m. at Young United Church, 222 Furby St. Tickets are \$25.00. Please contact Alys-Lynne Furgal at 204.789.1405 to order tickets.

June 4

Spring Convocation: 10:00 a.m. Science & Education, 3:00 p.m. Theology & Arts

* For more information, email music@uwinnipeg.ca, call 204.786.9000, or visit the Virtuosi website at www.virtuosi.mb.ca

To add your event to the calendar, visit http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/faculty/dsp_addEvent.shtml and fill out the form. Events will be posted to the University website and printed in (in)edition.



Community Profile Gundars Reinfelds *Senior Electronics Technologist*

(in)edition: - When did you begin working at The University of Winnipeg?

Gundars Reinfelds : The day of the bus strike, in January of 1976.

(in)edition: What made you want to work here?

Gundars Reinfelds : To play with new things! It was a hobby that turned into a job.

(in)edition: What is a typical workday like for you?

Gundars Reinfelds : I spend my day fixing things. I work on instrumentation from Biology, Chemistry, Geography, and Physics. Nuclear Magnetic Resonance equipment, mass spectrometers, machines that measure protein molecules. All kinds of things.

(in)edition: What is the most rewarding part of your job?

Gundars Reinfelds : Working with interesting people, definitely. Working with new students, seeing students graduate and then come back to visit later on. A few are doctors now - one of them is at Los Alamos.

(in)edition: What do you like to do outside work?

Gundars Reinfelds : Travel, wine and liqueur making, building things. I've built houses, garages, cottages. But also small things, like ski machines and timers.

(in)edition: What would people be surprised to learn about you?

Gundars Reinfelds : My wife calls me a farmer! I do plant breeding and grafting of fruit trees. I've worked with apple trees, cherry trees, gooseberries, all different kinds of fruits. Of course, that is also connected to wine and liqueur making.

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