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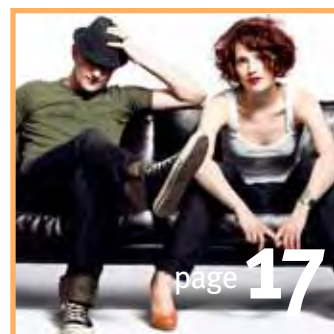
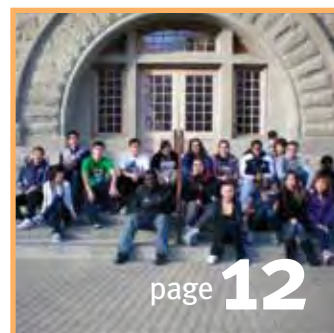
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Editor's Letter



As this issue of *The Journal* goes to press, we are celebrating Homecoming 2011 – four days in September filled with reunions, lectures, tours, barbecues, a bocce tournament, an ecumenical service, and much more. There is, however, no need to wait until next September to come back to your alma mater to re-connect. Throughout the year, there are open lectures on campus, tours, films, Gallery 1Co3 shows, Women games, and many opportunities to volunteer – as part of the Alumni Association Council, as a student mentor, or in a variety of other roles. Alumni also have free access to the library and discounted membership rates at The Bill Wedlake Fitness Centre and The Faculty and Staff Club. We at the Alumni Office encourage you to get in touch with us, and we'll help you stay in touch with classmates, students, and professors. Also, remember to send us your story ideas and Class Acts updates for our Alumni e-Newsletter and *The Journal*.

To find out more, visit our website – go to UWinnipeg.ca and click on Alumni, or call us at (204) 988-7118, toll-free 1-888-829-7053. Social media is also now a major part of how we connect – we hope you'll follow us on Twitter, like our Facebook page, and join our LinkedIn group. (Visit our website to find links to these pages.) Let's get together soon.

Helen Cholakis (BA '93)
Manager, Alumni Affairs

It's time to start planning your REUNION!

Alumni Affairs seeks alumni celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2012, and alumni interested in organizing reunions for faculties and past members of student groups. We require reunion coordinators and committee members who will work closely with Alumni Affairs in the organization of these fun and memorable reunion events.

Class Year Reunions to be held September 2012

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| • Class of '52 | 60-year |
| • Class of '62 | 50-year |
| • Class of '72 | 40-year |
| • Class of '87 | 25-year |
| • Class of 2002 | 10-year |
| • Class of '62 Collegiate | 50-year |
| • Class of '82 Collegiate | 30-year |
| • Class of 2002 Collegiate | 10-year |

Volunteering on these reunion committees does not require a huge investment of time and energy on your part but it is a lot of fun – ask anyone who has worked with us! After all, we look after all of the event logistics. The main duties of the reunion coordinator and the committee members are calling and e-mailing their old friends and classmates (after the invitation letters are sent out).

So, if you're up for what will be a rewarding and fun experience, please contact me at 988-7122 or s.pataki@uwinnipeg.ca

I look forward to working with you!

Steven Pataki Alumni Development Coordinator



President's Letter

As a former student of this University (Class of 1961), I can attest to its fascinating history as it has grown and evolved to meet the changing needs of the students who fill its halls. As alumni yourselves, if you have passed by our campus recently you will have noticed that transformation continues to define our role in this city.

"It's not size but surge that tells us when we are in touch with something real."

These are the words of the American poet Mary Oliver in her poem: *The Owl in the Orchard*. They describe to me what we are experiencing here right here on campus – a surge forward in the onward progress of this city. We are located in an urban community experiencing dynamic changes and challenges. In an effort to play our part, we continue to expand not only the physical footprint of our campus but we are constantly striving to include all members of our community in our programs through our Community Learning initiatives.

In June we celebrated the grand opening of the Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex. This state-of-the-art facility is built for sustainability with a target of attaining a LEED Gold Standard. It is the direct result of a vision that began in 2006 with a generous donation from the Richardson Firm, Family and Foundation. The facility houses the University's departments of Biology, Chemistry and Environmental Studies, and the Richardson College for the Environment, an environmental and research think tank. Approximately 2,000 students use the building daily.

The Buhler Centre, which houses The Faculty of Business and Economics and The Division of Continuing Education, now graces one of Winnipeg's signature corners, Portage and Colony. We are also in the final stages of renovating the former Greyhound bus depot to create the AnX, which now contains the largest downtown bookstore for both students and the public, and will include a restaurant, medical clinic and computer store. In partnership with Winnipeg Transit, the AnX will also be downtown's rapid transit terminal, linking UWinnipeg to the south end of the city with numerous fast and accessible bus routes. It is anticipated that two additional projects, a second student residence and a new Fieldhouse and Wellness Centre facility, will be breaking ground in 2012.

This fall we will offer our new Master's In Development Practice program which places The University of Winnipeg within a prestigious international network and makes us the only university globally to offer a focus on Indigenous Development. This two year program will strengthen UWinnipeg as an Indigenous hub for scholarship and leadership.

I hope you enjoy reading the impressive stories behind the notable alumni we have featured in this issue. Artistic pop musician and former biochemistry student, Ash Koley (B.Sc. '06), internationally renowned jeweler Hilary Druxman (The Collegiate '82), composer Randolph Peters (B.Sc. '80), artist Scott Benesiinaabandan (BA '02), community-builder Brenda Prosken (BA '87, MPA '96), and scientist-turned-business-professional David Kideckel (BA '02, B.Sc. '02).

We welcome your support and interest as we continue to redefine The University of Winnipeg.



Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lloyd Axworthy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "L" and a stylized "A".

Lloyd Axworthy (BA '61, LLD '98)
President and Vice-Chancellor
The University of Winnipeg

Honorary Degrees awarded at Spring Convocation 2011

Among the most important acts undertaken by The University of Winnipeg is awarding honorary degrees to individuals who have achieved great distinction through their contributions to the society they serve. This year's Spring Convocation honoured worthy candidates who, although from diverse backgrounds, are similar in their commitment and dedication to their field of work and to creating a more just society within their own communities and around the world.

Jonathan F. Fanton Honorary Doctorate of Laws



Jonathan F. Fanton and UWinnipeg President and Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Lloyd Axworthy

Jonathan Fanton is a leading advocate for a more just, sustainable and peaceful world. He has devoted his professional life to promoting innovation in higher education, global justice and philanthropy. Fanton provided critical support for Canadian-led initiatives such as the Ottawa Treaty banning antipersonnel landmines, creation of the International

Criminal Court and formation of the doctrine of "Responsibility to Protect." He continues to be one of the world's leading advocates for an integrated system of international justice and for four years, served as chair of Human Rights Watch, the largest U.S.-based human rights organization, which operates in 70 countries.

David A. Golden Honorary Doctorate of Laws

A Rhodes Scholar, a war veteran and a former prisoner of war, David A. Golden has made his mark by launching a distinguished career in public service that spans close to half a century. He played a significant role in making Canada a world leader in science, advanced technology and telecommunications. He has contributed to



David A. Golden a number of satellite technology firsts in the world and his visionary insight bridged the worlds of government and business to help them work together more efficiently for the benefit of all Canadians.

William D. Roberts Honorary Doctorate of Sacred Letters

William D. Roberts is a visionary who has demonstrated skills as a journalist, broadcaster, public policy analyst and educator. He has consistently advanced freedom of the press and freedom of expression and has championed the cause of women and multiculturalism in Canada and abroad. He is an advocate for the rights and freedoms in the quest for human dignity and global community and is a strong supporter of the Knowles/Woodsworth Centre at The University of Winnipeg. He is a sought-after advisor and contributor to government, business, academia and media organizations.



William D. Roberts

Leslie Spillett Honorary Doctorate of Laws

Leslie Spillett has made vast contributions for more than three decades to Winnipeg's inner-city and Indigenous community. She is an activist and advocate on a wide range of issues. She is the founder of Ka Ni Kanichihk and the Aboriginal Youth Achievement Awards. She participated in the Amnesty International research, and subsequent report *Stolen Sisters* and has represented these women at a UN World Conference Against Racism in 2001 and at a UNESCO conference in 2005.



Leslie Spillett and UWinnipeg Vice-President (Academic) Dr. John Corlett

Students and inner-city youth to benefit from new fieldhouse on UWinnipeg campus



Architect's renderings of new UWinnipeg Fieldhouse and Wellness Centre

A mixed-use wellness and athletics complex will rise on The University of Winnipeg's Spence Street Promenade offering students, inner-city residents and youth new recreation options in the heart of downtown. The new \$31.5 million fieldhouse was announced on June 30th, 2011. The plan was made possible by a \$15 million capital investment from the Province of Manitoba and a \$2 million investment from the City of Winnipeg. The complex will include a regulation-size indoor soccer field that will accommodate other sports such as lacrosse and track and field, a 10,000 square foot Wellness Centre, and a parkade.

The complex will also include additional classrooms for athletics and kinesiology students. A robust community-use protocol will ensure neighbourhood children and organizations have quality recreational opportunities.

"Manitobans are avid sport enthusiasts and soccer is one of the fastest growing sports in the province, enjoyed by all ages," said Premier Greg Selinger. "This new complex, which will be accessible to all, will help us meet the growing demand for a high quality facility in the city's downtown."

"The City of Winnipeg was pleased to have taken a leadership role in this initiative last Fall and invest \$2 million dollars in ensuring this important project becomes a reality," said Mayor Sam Katz.

The University of Winnipeg recently added competitive men's and women's soccer, baseball and wrestling to the Wesmen family. Premier Selinger's announcement means students, faculty and coaches will see a significant expansion of athletic and related academic programming.

"We will also see an increase in intramural programming, and enhanced opportunities for inner city children and youth," said Dr. Lloyd Axworthy, President and Vice-Chancellor, UWinnipeg. "We recognize that participating in sports in a safe and healthy environment can be a critically important part of development in a young person's

life, and offers youth a sense of camaraderie and belonging. This is central to the University's Community Learning strategy."

UWinnipeg now supports six community sports teams of youth aged 9-13 in partnership with organizations such as the Spence Neighbourhood Association and the Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization of Manitoba. The groundbreaking for the new UWinnipeg fieldhouse is targeted for spring 2012. —Diane Poulin



Winnipeg Soccer Association President Peter Muir, Premier Greg Selinger, Dean of Arts David Fitzpatrick, Athletics Director Doran Reid, Chair of Kinesiology and Applied Health Glen Bergeron and President and Vice-Chancellor Lloyd Axworthy join UWinnipeg athletic staff and athletes for the announcement of funding for the new fieldhouse - June 30, 2011.

Historic Grand Opening of the Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex

June 27, 2011 was a historic day at The University of Winnipeg as the doors to the Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex opened at 599 Portage Avenue, strengthening science and sustainability education for thousands of students, adding significantly to scientific research capacity in Manitoba, and helping rejuvenate Winnipeg's inner-city and West End neighbourhoods.

The \$66.58 million facility, made possible through strong partnerships with the provincial and federal governments and generous private donors, includes more than 30 new teaching and research labs, a vivarium and a 1,127 square foot rooftop greenhouse. The new facility is one of the most energy efficient educational laboratory buildings in North America.

In September 2006, the project was publicly launched with the announcement of a \$3.5 million donation from the Richardson



Foundation, James Richardson & Sons, Limited and members of the Richardson family. The gift established the Richardson College for the Environment plus a green

corridor linking the Furby-Langside campus to the main UWinnipeg campus. In November 2006, the Manitoba government announced an unprecedented \$25-million capital investment in the University to aid in construction of the Science Complex with a further \$7 million gifted for laboratory and vivarium development. In May 2009, the Government of Canada contributed a historic \$18 million infrastructure grant to support the project. A \$1 million donation from Power Corporation of Canada in June 2011 created the Power Corporation of Canada Atrium, the hub of all life within the building, with student and public meeting space in a green environment with nine living trees and natural light.



Craig Lee, Chair, The University of Winnipeg Board of Regents, H. Sanford Riley, Chair of The University of Winnipeg Foundation, Manitoba Premier Greg Selinger; Carolyn (Richardson) Hursh, Chairman of the Board of James Richardson & Sons, Limited; Bob Sopuck, MP for Dauphin–Swan River–Marquette; UWinnipeg President & Vice-Chancellor Dr. Lloyd Axworthy.

"Manitoba is home to some of the finest colleges and universities anywhere in the world, and The University of Winnipeg is a leader among them," said Premier Greg Selinger. "This new facility puts Manitoba at the leading edge of science and sustainability education."

"Investing in science and research is vital to Canada's future economic growth," said the Honourable Steven Fletcher, Minister of State (Transport). "Our government's support for new research and academic facilities has created jobs, while giving researchers and students the tools they need to become the best in the world."



UWinnipeg Science students William Ring and Brent Gali speak at the opening ceremony

The Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex is a cutting-edge facility, engaging students and faculty in innovative research and development in natural and social sciences. Areas of focus include the global North, climate change, water stewardship, "green chemistry", urban sustainability and Indigenous science.

"The Richardson firm, foundation and family are very proud to be partners in the creation of this state-of-the-art facility," said



Environmental Chemistry student Clare McConkey, is conducting research on human blood samples to determine how much perfluorinated compounds such as Teflon are in our bodies.



Cisterns installed deep beneath Richardson Green Corridor in August 2011

Carolyn (Richardson) Hursh, Chairman of James Richardson & Sons, Limited. “The Richardson College for the Environment will bring together world-class instructors and cutting-edge technology to educate generations of students who will be able to contribute to solutions for the growing environmental problems we face today in our communities, across our country and around the world.”

UWinnipeg’s departments of Biology, Chemistry and Environmental Studies are located in the new facility, and approximately 2,000 students pass through its doors every day. The third floor of the Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex houses the Canada Research Chair in Indigenous Science Education and the Canada Research Chair in Inner City Issues and Community Learning and Engagement; the Institute of Urban Studies; the Master’s in Development Practice program; the Indigenous Studies department; the CISCO Centre for Collaborative Technologies, which includes a world-class TelePresence system and the endowed Cisco Chair for Collaborative Technology; the University Sustainability Office; the University’s medical isotope initiative; and the UW Community Renewal Corporation. The laboratory of the Canada Research Chair in Environmental Toxicology will be on the ground floor of the building.

Award-winning Diversity Foods operates a main floor, licensed restaurant called Elements – The Restaurant, serving students (including those on meal plans at McFeetors Hall residence) faculty, staff and the general public.

Digital Learning Lab

The new facility also strengthens UWinnipeg’s commitment to community learning for inner-city and Aboriginal young adults. The building will house the new Digital Learning Lab, an innovative learning space designed to promote engaged learning, teach students applied media skills, and encourage students to complete grade 12 and pursue post-secondary education. The Digital Learning Lab will be used by high school students from The University of Winnipeg Collegiate and Model School, and will be open after school to all Manitoba high school students.

Richardson Green Corridor

The Richardson Green Corridor, linking the Furby-Langside campus to UWinnipeg’s main campus, improves accessibility, creates new community cycling and green space, and in conjunction with the City of Winnipeg, upgrades an aging sewer system that benefits neighbourhood residents as well as UWinnipeg’s campus. Sodding and

the paved pathway will be completed by September 2011.

Terry MacDonald Square

The main plaza allowing entrance to the complex was unveiled as the Terry MacDonald Square, recognizing the contribution of the Development Project Management Team’s



Terry and Gisele MacDonald generous donation and fundraising efforts towards the Furby-Langside campus. Terry MacDonald, husband of Gisele MacDonald, President of Chartier Property Management Inc. and Resolve Group Inc., spent his career as a successful developer and active community member, as both coach and manager of hockey and soccer teams.

–Diane Poulin

Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex

Key Building Features

A model of green building technology, constructed to a LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver Standard, it is one of the most energy efficient educational laboratory buildings in North America. It uses approximately half the energy of a conventional building.

- 150,000 square feet, adding 15 per cent to the built facilities of the UWinnipeg campus.
- Consists of more than 30 research and teaching labs, including a vivarium, and a 1,127 square foot rooftop greenhouse.
- The signature four-storey Power Corporation of Canada Atrium incorporates nine living trees (Amstel King Figs) and a 3,000 square foot wall of reclaimed hard maple from the Winnipeg Roller Rink previously on the site.
- Extensive use of natural daylight with energy-efficient double glazed, argon-filled windows and energy-efficient lighting.
- Computer programmed three mode air flow system ventilates labs as required, controllable by occupants, resulting in significant energy saving. It captures approximately 80 per cent of energy from the laboratory exhaust.



Teaching and research labs include:

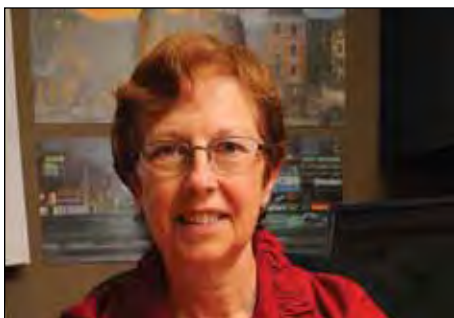
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Animal Physiology
Aquatic Physiology and the Environment
Bio-Analytical Laboratory
Biochemistry
Cell Biology
Comparative Genomics and Systems
Ecology and Evolution of Animal Behaviour
Ecology, Invertebrate Biology and Entomology
Environmental Analysis
First Year Biology (2 labs)
Freshwater Ecology
General Chemistry
Genetics
Inorganic Synthesis/Reactivity
Insect Biochemistry and Cellular Metabolism
Mammalian Ecology and Conservation
Materials Properties
Microbiology
Natural Products Antibiotic Discovery
Organic Chemistry
Organic Compound Discovery/Synthesis
Plant Biology and Parasitology
Plant Evolutionary Ecology
Quantitative Analytical Methods
Sustainable Inland Fisheries
The George Tomlinson Laboratory for Advanced Biochemistry
Trace-Metal Contaminants
Vector Ecology and Control Training and Research
Water Quality and Health
Water Research

Science Faculty in action on UWinnipeg's campus



Craig Willis – Biology

An Associate Professor in Biology, Dr. Craig Willis studies the ecology, behavior and physiology of wild mammals. He and his students conduct research about mammalian ecology and evolution, along with applied conservation research. Recently, the Willis lab has been part of a major international effort to understand a disease affecting bats called White Nose Syndrome. Dr. Willis is UWinnipeg's first Chancellor's Research Chair for 2011/12.



Evelyn Peters – Geography

Dr. Evelyn Peters is a Canada Research Chair in Inner-City Issues, Community Learning and Engagement who focuses on the social side of science. With professors at the University of Saskatchewan and leaders of urban Aboriginal organizations, Dr. Peters has embarked on a study on urban Aboriginal identity. Documenting urban Aboriginal cultures will help mainstream society view the Aboriginal community through the lens of culture, rather than that of poverty.

Photos of Pradeep Atrey, Gabor Kunstatter, and Susan Lingle and Evelyn Peters by Dan of DanHarperPhoto.com



Pradeep Atrey – Applied Computer Science

The area of homeland security has conflicting goals. How do you balance increasing multimedia surveillance capabilities and preserve privacy? Dr. Pradeep Atrey seeks to achieve this balance by building models and algorithms in the area of applied computer science, particularly in the area of video analysis.



Susan Lingle – Biology

An Assistant Professor in Biology, Dr. Susan Lingle does research on the evolution of prey defenses as it affects their biology, psychology and ecology. A focal point in her research is animal cooperation witnessed predominantly in defense against a predatory threat.



Jeff Martin – Physics

Professor Dr. Jeffrey Martin is a world leader in subatomic physics research. His precise study of neutrons is a key to understanding the connection between particle physics and our universe. Dr. Martin is the leader of a joint Canada-Japan research effort to make the most precise measurement of neutron EDM (electric dipole moment) ever conducted.



Gabor Kunstatter – Physics

Dr. Gabor Kunstatter is a theoretical physicist who investigates the interaction between gravity and quantum mechanics. He currently focuses on two topics: the quantum properties of black holes and the notion of entanglement in quantum mechanics.

visit sciences.uwinnipeg.ca to find out more

Buhler Centre opens with Vice-Regal fanfare

The greatly anticipated Buhler Centre had its exciting grand opening in August 2010 with then Governor General Michaëlle Jean in attendance.

The iconic four storey building is Silver LEED-certified. With 50,000 square feet of space, the Buhler Centre is home to UWinnipeg's Faculty of Business and Economics, UWinnipeg's Division of Continuing Education, the Plug In Institute of Contemporary Art, and Stella's Café and Bakery, creating a mix of art, education and business at one of Winnipeg's most important intersections.

"The downtown and UWinnipeg are experiencing a renaissance thanks to the vision and commitment of Lloyd Axworthy," said Bonnie and John Buhler, retired Chair of Buhler Industries Inc. "We wanted to support this vision and invest in the revitalization of our downtown. By contributing to UWinnipeg we are also investing in the future minds and leaders of our city and province."

"This historic donation from Bonnie and John Buhler is a gift to the entire community that impacts the economic and social well-being of the city, adding vibrancy and culture," said Dr. Lloyd Axworthy, President and Vice-Chancellor, UWinnipeg. "With the Winnipeg Art Gallery and Plug In Institute of Contemporary Art we are building a neighbourhood that is evolving into an arts precinct and destination. In addition, we created a state-of-the-art business environment that will nurture students with all new SMART classrooms in a building filled with natural light. Having our business school in the centre of the downtown is an added advantage for our students and the business community, creating a synergy of mutual benefit. This visible and accessible Centre blends education, arts, business and the community into a shared landmark."

The Buhler Centre is possible thanks to a historic \$4 million gift to UWinnipeg by Winnipeg business icons and philanthropists Bonnie and John Buhler. This donation includes \$1 million to create the Buhler Knowledge Access Fund to provide ongoing business scholarships within the Faculty of Business and Economics to outstanding students and those in need, including single parents and those with lower incomes. —*Naniece Ibrahim*



Bonnie & John Buhler, Dr. Lloyd Axworthy, UWinnipeg President & Vice Chancellor, Anthony Kiendl, Director Plug In ICA

Plug In ICA

Since its inception, Plug In ICA has played a central role in the creation and growth of a living culture in Manitoba, facilitating a mutually beneficial discourse among art and its wider social contexts. In addition to its fundamental role as a centre for the research and dissemination of contemporary art, Plug In ICA has nurtured the careers of numerous artists, curators, critics and arts administrators.

"Plug In is engaged in a multi-phase transformation that includes the development of this amazing purpose-built facility," said Anthony Kiendl, Director of Plug In ICA. "Our organizational goals are to expand and diversify our audiences, and enhance the pursuit of our core mandate—to research and present the most compelling art in the world. This facility provides the means to do this, and to be a physical centre for Winnipeg's acclaimed visual art community."

www.plugin.org



View of Gallery Two

Michaëlle Jean speaks with UWinnipeg students

INSIDE THE BUHLER CENTRE

Faculty of Business and Economics

UWinnipeg's Faculty of Business and Economics breaks down the barriers between traditional management disciplines and exposes students to a wider range of study than at most business schools. Our approach to business education aims to graduate students who are socially conscious business leaders and entrepreneurs, capable of adapting to the ever-changing needs of the modern business world. The Faculty of Business and Economics combines two programs – business/economics and liberal arts – in a student-focused, multidisciplinary learning environment. It allows students to enter directly into the Faculty of Business and Economics and start taking classes in their first year of study. It is not necessary to complete a year in another faculty prior to entering the business program.

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Division of Continuing Education

Since 1972, the Division of Continuing Education (DCE) has been known as a dynamic learning centre and an integral part of The University of Winnipeg. With over 300 programs and courses to choose from, DCE is the perfect place to be for adult learners who want to upgrade their skills or launch new careers. Many Certificate or Diploma credits from DCE can be transferred for credit towards a University of Winnipeg degree. Approximately 3,200 individuals take an average of 2.5 courses annually at DCE.

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Stella's Café and Bakery

Stella's Café and Bakery offers street-level dining and take away service from 6:30 am to 11:00 pm Monday through Sunday. Patrons can enjoy sandwiches made with artisan breads, croissants and danishes, muffins, cinnamon buns, cookies and cakes from Stella's Bakery, available at the kiosk counter for dine-in or to take back to the office or classroom.



Community Learning & Social Change

By Dan Hurley (BA '93)

The University of Winnipeg is committed to both access and excellence in its academic program and activities. To that end, the University is dissolving the line between our campus and our community by reaching out and partnering with our neighbours. It is called Community Learning – a partnership concept that has evolved to break down barriers that often prevent traditionally under-represented students from participating in post-secondary life.

What does this mean? The Journal's Dan Hurley explores two Community Learning programs that are having an impact on students and the Winnipeg community:

URBAN & INNER-CITY STUDIES

Jim Silver is clearly delighted as he describes the impact that his program is having in the North End.

"I spent 28 years teaching on the main campus, and I did not know the life stories of most of my students," said Silver (BAH '76) who has been teaching at UWinnipeg since 1982 mostly in the Politics Department. "It is very different here."

"Here" is the impressive Urban Circle Training Centre building on Selkirk Avenue where UWinnipeg's Urban & Inner City Studies (UICS) program has been located for the past year. Formerly the site of a retail store, Urban Circle is home to a number of pre-employment and employment training programs for Aboriginal women and men. The building is shaped like a turtle to symbolize the heart of "Turtle Island", the traditional Indigenous reference to North America.

UWinnipeg's presence in Urban Circle is more than symbolic though, says Silver. Being in the historic North End, one of the city's most challenging socio-economic areas, is critical to achieving the mission of access and excellence.

"If we want non-traditional students from this area to come to University, we need to come to them first," said Silver, adding that knowing their students' life stories, and offering curriculum that will attract and encourage them to stay in University is also essential, especially for lower-income students.

Silver feels programs like Urban & Inner City Studies need to do things differently to attract and retain non-traditional students to the University. While the academic standards remain high for completing degrees, the way in which students are recruited and retained in programs such as UICS need to reflect the needs of non-traditional learners.

The Urban & Inner-City Studies program combines a traditional urban studies focus with courses that examine various aspects of the



Jim Silver at Urban Circle Training Centre, 519 Selkirk Avenue

inner city, such as the urban Aboriginal experience, the immigrant and refugee experience, and the role of women. Nearly 125 students are currently enrolled in the program, many of whom are Aboriginal, but others are non-Indigenous who have a desire to learn about the inner city, and issues of poverty and social exclusion.

"We have made some mistakes but that is part of the fun," says Silver. "You have to make mistakes to learn."

For Claudette Michell, this non-traditional approach to education certainly made the difference. She is now the program coordinator for the UICS program. But for the mother of four, the path that led to her working at UWinnipeg, let alone earning a degree, was not easy.

"For me, university was never in my vocabulary. College, maybe. But certainly not university," said Michell. Then, following a diploma at Red River College, she met Wendy McNab (UWinnipeg's Aboriginal Governance advisor at the time) who quickly became her mentor. "There were times when I felt I couldn't do it. But Wendy encouraged me to stay with it, and I did."

Michell persevered and graduated with her BA in 2009, a member of the first graduating class from the Aboriginal Governance program. Today she is sharing her personal experience by mentoring other students who are overcoming similar challenging personal situations to pursue a post-secondary education.

“Growing up in The Pas, I didn’t know who I was as an Aboriginal woman,” admits Michell. “My education helped me to reclaim my identity. Now my older children are thinking about university, and I am helping others to do so. Education is a way to empowerment.”

Claudette Michell (BA’09), Program Coordinator, Urban and Inner City Studies



THE MODEL SCHOOL

Education is also empowering students in the Collegiate’s Model School. Located on the fourth floor of UWinnipeg’s historic Wesley Hall, the Model School began as a pilot project to encourage students who have faced barriers that prevented them from reaching their fullest potential to stay in school.

Today, the school has 25 students from grades 9 to 12. Since 2008, six students have graduated and are either working or pursuing further education or training at UWinnipeg, and eight more students are expected to graduate in 2011.

Given Issac is one of those Model School graduates looking forward to pursuing an undergraduate degree.

“The Model School helped me in so many ways. It is more than academics, it helped motivate me,” says Issac, who shared his story at this year’s I Heart UWinnipeg Dinner. “Everyone is so friendly and we reach our goals with each other. We might not have the opportunity otherwise.”

Issac is a recipient of the Opportunity Fund. He graduated from the Collegiate with \$1,700 in tuition credits that he will now apply to his fees this Fall.

Most Model School students are fully integrated in classes with the Collegiate, and all must demonstrate a commitment to their studies. Every Tuesday and Thursday afternoons they meet to seek additional assistance or to engage in group activities where they can develop confidence and skills such as resumé writing, or coaching and refereeing certification from Sport Manitoba or First Aid and CPR training.

“They have a thirst for more learning, and it is a safe place they can come to learn,” says acting director Gerri Zacharias. “Some are very bright and gifted with athletics, some are gifted with writing. So whatever their strengths are, we accommodate that.”

Keneca Pingue-Giles was already a gifted athlete when she came to Wesley Hall for the first time. It was her athleticism and drive for excellence that paved the way for a scholarship to attend the Model School, with the support of Domo Gas and the Boys & Girls Club. The 17-year-old has since blossomed into both an exceptional student and a rising basketball star with the Collegiate Wesmen team.

Keneca has played on both the Junior Varsity volleyball and basketball teams, and was the captain for both teams. She was also voted Most Valuable Player on the basketball team and won an Athlete of the Year Award. In 2009, she was chosen to play for the Team Manitoba under-17 basketball team, and travelled to Chicago to play in the Nike Summer Showcase, and Prince Edward Island where she participated in the Canada Summer Games.

Her success both on and off the court has led to a prestigious national honour, the Harry Jerome Award recognizing African Canadian achievement, which she received at a special gala in Toronto on April 30.

“To be recognized by such an esteemed group of people for something I am so passionate about is incredibly validating, and it means the world to me,” said Keneca. “This award will only help me continue to reach



Keneca Pingue-Giles, Model School student

my goals both academically and in sport.”

It is stories like Keneca’s and Given’s that fills UWinnipeg’s President with a sense of pride.

“The Model School has given a real boost and a sense of confidence to these students,” says Dr. Lloyd Axworthy. “Five years ago, many of them may have been part of the dropout statistic. Now, they’re ready to go on to university. We think that is a really good success story.”

The Master's in Development Practice by Naniece Ibrahim

The University of Winnipeg welcomes a new graduate program for aspiring students and working professionals committed to charting a new path in development practice. The Master's in Development Practice (MDP) program seeks to train practitioners to work with and in communities, organizations, and companies with a focus on Indigenous development. The inaugural cohort of 18, which began its studies in August, is remarkably diverse in background, age, experience, and nationality, with one third self-identifying as Indigenous. Dr. Julie Pelletier, Director of the MDP program, notes "What unites the MDP students is a passionate desire to work with marginalized populations on development practices and the opportunity to participate in a unique graduate degree that will prepare them to do so."

ticularly in Indigenous communities. MDP students will learn from some of Canada's most respected scholars and practitioners in Indigenous development including world-renowned ethnographer and filmmaker Dr. Wade Davis, and former Canadian foreign affairs minister and UWinnipeg President Dr. Lloyd Axworthy. The MDP program benefits from guidance and networking provided by the illustrious international Indigenous Advisory Circle, led by former National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations in Canada, Dr. Phil Fontaine.

Transcending borders, students will interact with fellow students through the global

classroom linking UWinnipeg's MDP program to the other 22 top universities worldwide including Columbia University's Earth Institute, (New York, USA), Sciences PO (Paris, France), Universidade Federal Rural do Rio de Janeiro (Rio, Brazil), and James Cook University (Australia). A CISCO Telepresence system in the new Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex allows MDP students, faculty, and researchers to connect with remote communities, collaborate with community leaders



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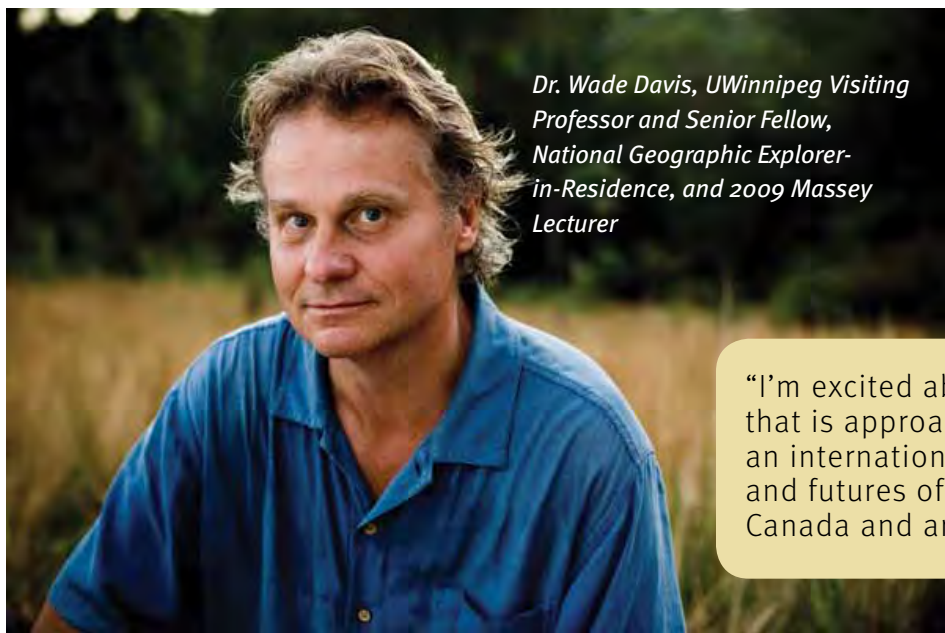
The Master's in Development Practice (MDP) program at UWinnipeg, established by a generous grant from the MacArthur Foundation, is one of 22 universities worldwide to offer this internationally recognized designation and is distinctive in this network as the only MDP program focusing on Indigenous development. In addition to MacArthur, CN Rail has made a significant and generous gift of \$750,000 as a founding partner of

the program. The CN gift funds the CN MDP Scholarships and the CN Indigenous Resource Centre that is housed in the Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex.

The MDP is an interdisciplinary two year degree program focusing on holistic applied approaches that will equip students with practical skills to make a difference in communities across Canada and abroad, par-

and practitioners and work toward solutions to a variety of development problems and issues, while saving on energy and travel costs.

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a student in the Master's in Development Practice program, please contact us directly via email at mdp@uwinnipeg.ca or visit the website at www.mdp.uwinnipeg.ca.



Dr. Wade Davis, UWinnipeg Visiting Professor and Senior Fellow, National Geographic Explorer-in-Residence, and 2009 Massey Lecturer

Dr. Wade Davis

Passionate defender of all of life's diversity, Davis is The University of Winnipeg's Visiting Professor and Senior Fellow in the Master's in Development Practice - Indigenous Development program (MDP). Davis is a world-renowned ethnographer, filmmaker, and National Geographic Explorer-in-Residence. His

"I'm excited about being part of a university that is approaching in a fresh new way from an international perspective the condition and futures of Indigenous peoples here in Canada and around the world."

CN INDIGENOUS RESOURCE CENTRE (CNIRC)

CN Rail has made a significant and generous gift of \$750,000 as a founding partner of the MDP program. Part of the gift will create the CN Indigenous Resource Centre (CNIRC). The CNIRC will serve as a hub of best practices in Indigenous development practice benefiting MDP students (including the MDP global network), Indigenous and non-Indigenous organizations, governments, communities, and companies. Researchers and practitioners from around the world will have access to the repository of best practices, positioning UWinnipeg as a leader in a dynamic field.

The CNIRC will house a career resource centre with an employment placement counsellor whose primary duty is finding employment for MDP graduates, MA in Indigenous Governance graduates, and all Indigenous graduate students who have completed their degrees at UWinnipeg. The employment placement counsellor will facilitate long-term relationships with communities, governments, and businesses interested in temporary/ internship and permanent employment of highly qualified individuals with masters degrees.



Dr. Julie Pelletier

Director of the Masters in Development Practice (MDP) program in Indigenous Development and Chair of the Department of Indigenous Studies, formerly the Aboriginal Governance Program.

Dr. Pelletier is a descendant of the Wesget Sipu Fish River Tribe of northern Maine. She earned a Ph.D. and an M.A. in Cultural Anthropology

specializing in Indigenous cultures at Michigan State University. An award-winning teacher, she helped found the American Indian Studies degree at the University of Minnesota, Morris, before coming to UWinnipeg, where she brings a history of collaborative work inside and outside of academia, high standards of critical thinking for students and faculty, and a commitment to Indigenous issues, research, and applied work. Her research interests include decolonization, identity issues, representation and ritualization.

UWinnipeg Traditional Spring Powwow

by Tanis Kolisnyk (BA '00), UWinnipeg Aboriginal Liaison Officer

On April 15th, 2011 on The University of Winnipeg campus, the annual powwow was a time to celebrate Aboriginal cultures and to honour our 2011 First Nations, Métis and Inuit UWinnipeg graduates who are our leaders of tomorrow.

The community arrived to celebrate life and living, with University of Winnipeg Elders, drummers, singers, dancers and honoured guests from the University community.

- Women Traditional Dancers wore regalia of long dresses with heavy beadwork and ribbons. Most dancers carried shawls and eagle fans.
- Women Jingle Dancers wore regalia to symbolize all women's healing. Each time we hear the sound of the jingles, we are reminded of this teaching of Whitefish Bay Ojibway First Nations.
- Men Fancy Dancers were dressed in brightly coloured regalia with large bustles made from feathers. These dancers keep in perfect rhythm with the fastest beat of the drum.
- Men Grass Dancers represented the flow of the grass on the prairies blowing in the wind.

With the positive feedback from UWinnipeg graduates, students and the community, The University of Winnipeg Aboriginal Student Council and UWinnipeg Aboriginal Student Services Centre are planning for the 2012 Graduation Powwow in the spring.



Honouring our Graduates



Grand Entry



Fancy Shawl Dancer



Grass Dancer and Child



Dr. Lloyd Axworthy, President and Vice Chancellor and Dr. Julie Pelletier, UWinnipeg Director, MDP & Chair, Indigenous Studies



Traditional Jingle Dress

The Inventive Ash Koley (BSc '06)

While Ash Koley was hunched over a lab bench in Manitoba Hall, little did she know that in a few short years she would be on tour with Canadian singer-songwriting icon Ron Sexsmith. She did not know that a major label, Nettwerk Records, would release her debut album, *Inventions*. And she certainly could not have foreseen that a mega-popular



Ash Koley, with her musical partner Phil Deschambeault.
photos by Norman Wong

TV drama, *Grey's Anatomy*, was about to expose her talent to the American market by playing her single *Sheep in Wolves' Clothing* during a recent episode.

The 26-year-old from North Kildonan was busy completing her four-year bio-chemistry degree, which she obtained from UWinnipeg in 2006.

"I always thought I was an arts person, but I discovered I loved the sciences, too. I love animals and thought I might become a veterinarian," says Koley in a recent telephone interview from her home in Toronto. "Bio-chem allowed me to keep my options open. But I always hoped that music would be my life."

Music is serving her well. Koley and her musical partner, Winnipeg's Phil Deschambeault, joined forces six years ago and have been creating a unique, upbeat classic pop sound ever since. The duo is called Ash Koley and they have had a whirlwind year. In addition to the new album and Canadian tour, their single *Don't Let Your Feet Touch Ground* was used during the broadcast of the 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympics.

Vivoscene, the online arts review, describes the duo as "What one would expect out of Winnipeg, which has produced the most disproportionately talented and enviable arts scene in this country... this city has

always been something special. Ash Koley's influences include Peter Gabriel, Abba, Radiohead, Eurythmics, and various New Wave bands. Phil does the songwriting in true pop composer fashion, and Ash does most of the singing – she has a voice of pure velvet emotion. The combination will satisfy your mind with the sort of sticky stuff you thought you might have left behind when you decided that 'cool' music had to be mournful and tuneless."

Koley says her University of Winnipeg experience also influenced her.

"My time in university really was about growing up. I learned about having a good work ethic and developed some really, really close friends. UWinnipeg has a good sense of community, it is not pretentious, and the pros get to know you by name. Even though I did not get a job in my field of study I am happy I got my science degree. One day I may want to go back for a master's."

Koley returns to Winnipeg often, where she and her partner have a studio. She drives down Portage Avenue and is keeping track of UWinnipeg developments.

"I keep seeing all the new buildings at UWinnipeg, especially the new science complex on Portage, and I get nostalgic. I wish I could experience being a student there."

As her star rises in the world of pop music, Koley's strong work ethic will be needed. In the coming months she is criss-crossing Canada on tour.

"I think we are getting better and better every day. I just want to keep doing this for a living," she says. "I want to keep writing and tour the world." – Diane Poulin

LISTEN TO UWinnipeg alumna ASH KOLEY at <http://www.ashkoley.com/music/inventions>



Artisan Hilary Druxman (Collegiate '82)

Humble artisan Hilary Druxman's name is synonymous for fine jewelry and creative designs. This UWinnipeg Collegiate alum has been creating her designs since 1994 when she formed Hilary Druxman Design, and her creations are now internationally acclaimed and designed and manufactured in Winnipeg's historic exchange district at the Hilary Druxman studio.

"I've stayed in Winnipeg because I have family here and I enjoy my standard of living, and the ease of my life," she says. "I am able to do a lot here, keep my costs low and still travel."

Druxman's creations are all hand created and made with personal care and she has a loyal following. "I am grateful that people appreciate my work, I am lucky that we have such wonderful customers. I am inspired by them," she

explains, "I observe what people are wearing and I really make a point in connecting with my customers and listening to what they want."

Druxman is casual and unassuming in her accomplishments as an artist and as a business owner. She credits her company's fast growing success to her talented team of artisans, production manager Tai Sana and her business manager, Tracy Young and to the tremendous fidelity of her customers.

In 1997, the Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto, ON, displayed Druxman's work as part of *Au Courant*, an exhibition of Canadian fashion designers. Her collections are in over 200 boutiques in Canada, the US and the UK.

Check out her designs at www.hilarydruxman.com – *Naniece Ibrahim*



Take Note — Composer Randolph Peters (BSc '80)

Take note - sought out professional freelance composer Randolph Peters has been honing his art for more than three decades. In fact, his alma mater, The University of Winnipeg commissioned him to create a choral piece based on Shields' writings that premiered at the inaugural Carol Shields Symposium on Women's Writing: Festival of Voices, in May 2009.



Peters has had music notes dancing in his head since he was ten. He has several pieces of acclaimed work in his current repertoire that range from symphonies – choral – chamber and dance music, as well as soundtracks for film and television.

He has collaborated with renowned authors such as Robertson Davies, Salman Rushdie and has served as Composer-in-Residence for both the Canadian Opera Company and the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra.

He has recorded and studied music throughout the world, including in Asia and Africa

He never expected to be an opera composer however he enjoys this process the most as he explained, "Operas are the toughest and longest to create. They can take close to five or six years to complete but are the most rewarding, and I enjoy the collaborative work." He has already created two operas for the Canadian Opera Company, and currently is working on his third with the prolific Canadian writer Margaret Atwood entitled *Inanna*.

While at UWinnipeg completing his Bachelor of Science he learned he could obtain a doctorate in music, which he pursued and completed at Indiana University in music composition studies in addition to his master's. "The University of Winnipeg has an excellent reputation for its professors and course options," said Peters. "Anything you study has a way that opens your mind up for new ideas and thinking."

Peters recently had his 11 minute fanfare *Io** the highly volcanic moon of Jupiter premiere at the WSO New Music Festival 2011 and is currently developing a number of new projects including a theatrical percussion concerto with the Scottish virtuoso percussionist Evelyn Glennie.

*to hear his piece *Io*, go to <http://www.cbc.ca/radio2/media/20110129nmf1/01.asx>

– *Naniece Ibrahim*

Tackling Homelessness in Vancouver

Brenda Prosen (MPA '96)

Brenda Prosen describes her job as Deputy General Manager of Community Services, City of Vancouver, as a “pot pourri.” Her wide-ranging responsibilities include everything from organizing citizen town halls to hosting cultural events like Vancouver’s recent 125th birthday bash to licensing dogs and urban planning. These days her most significant portfolio is spearheading a major housing strategy for the city with two ambitious goals: the first is to end street homelessness by 2015; the second is to develop more rental housing options in Vancouver.

“I jumped into this big housing strategy as managing director. The City of Vancouver is very active in housing compared to other municipalities,” said Prosen. “This Mayor and Council have stepped it up and we are now tracking homelessness very closely.” In November 2008, Gregor Robertson was elected Mayor on a platform to end street homelessness and to make Vancouver the greenest city in the world.

Prosen is keenly committed to seeing results. “In 2008 we had 800 homeless people living on the street. In 2010 that was cut in half, to 400 people. We’ve built

effective partnerships and we are stabilizing people with food and shelter. But we also get up to 100 new people coming onto the street every year so in order to stay ahead we have to keep adding rental units. We are also going back to the community with public consultations and town halls.”

Prosen’s unique academic and career background has prepared her for the multiple challenges inherent in her demanding role in one of Canada’s largest cities. She graduated in 1996 with a Master’s in Public Administration, offered jointly by the Department of Politics of The University of Winnipeg and the Department of Political Studies of The University of Manitoba. She already had a social work degree, and completed a BA in Psychology at UWinnipeg in 1987. She began her career in Human Resources at the City of Winnipeg before moving to Vancouver.

“When I came to Vancouver five years ago, I became Director of Human Resources at the Vancouver Public Library. I was able to take on many extras including strategic planning and I enjoyed it so much, when the role of Deputy General Manager opened up, I went for it. I like it because it is about getting things done.” Prosen says she has come to view public policy as an intricate web. “When you pull on one strand, there are consequences, sometimes good, sometimes bad. That is the challenge, to think that through.”

Prosen credits both her academic background at UWinnipeg and her time on the Board of Regents with developing a skill set that serves her well today. “Every class in the MPA program required me to write briefings and presentations, which is excellent training. I have also been blessed at UWinnipeg to teach classes in public administration and serve on the Board of Regents (Vice-Chair, 1999-2006.) I’ve learned how to take on challenges.” —*Diane Poulin*



Business and Science Blend

David Kideckel (BA '02, BSc '02)

Dr. David Kideckel, 31, is ahead of his time.

Almost a decade ago he merged distinct worlds by obtaining two UWinnipeg degrees concurrently, a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and a Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry (2002). In fact he was the Gold Medal winner for Psychology that year.



Now he has gone on to get a PhD in the emerging discipline of Neuroscience at the University of Toronto (2009) and is enrolled part-time studying business with a focus in pharmaceutical and biotechnology marketing in the MBA program at U of T’s Rotman School of Management.

“I was able to chart my own course in neuropsychology at UWinnipeg before it existed as a separate program, and now it is a field that is through the roof, it’s one of the hottest areas in science,” said Kideckel from his Toronto office. “I’ve been to a number of schools and UWinnipeg is second to none. The small class sizes and the time that professors gave me really mattered. I still meet former profs for lunch when I return to Winnipeg.”

Kideckel’s entrepreneurial spirit kicked into high gear when he was selected as one of only three Canadians worldwide to attend the prestigious Novartis International Biotechnology Leadership Camp in Cambridge, while studying for his PhD. Named CEO of his team, Kideckel’s group devised a business plan which won first prize at that competition.

Kideckel currently works full-time as a product manager at Janssen Inc. (Pharmaceutical Company of Johnson & Johnson).

—*Diane Poulin*

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Anishinabe Artist with a Vision:

Scott Benesiinaabandan (BA '02) By Emily Doucet



Anishinabe artist Scott Benesiinaabandan is a rising star in Winnipeg's contemporary visual arts scene. His first solo exhibition – *unSacred* – was recently presented at UWinnipeg's Gallery 1Co3, a coup for University Art Curator Jennifer Gibson. "I am thrilled that we were able to mount Scott's first solo show, especially since he's an alumnus of UWinnipeg," says Gibson.

"It's particularly fitting that we were able to present *unSacred* here since the exhibition deals with a theme that Scott studied during his undergraduate years." Benesiinaabandan graduated from The University of Winnipeg in 2002 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology and Religious Studies. In his art, he uses photography, printmaking, video and other visual media to address, in his words, "a search for identity and the continuing creation of a personal cosmology, the impact of relationships and familial/communal ties and non-conventional ways of knowing."

Benesiinaabandan has received several Manitoba Arts Council and Winnipeg Arts Council grants for his artistic work and he has completed mentorships and residencies through Manitoba Printmakers Association and Aboriginal Film Training. His art has been included in numerous group exhibitions across Canada and in the United States, most notably in the major group show *Subconscious City* at the Winnipeg Art Gallery in 2008. During the summer of 2010, Benesiinaabandan participated in an international residency at the Context Gallery in Northern Ireland where he documented intercultural conflict in that region for use in a future artistic project.

In *unSacred*, Benesiinaabandan uses digital imagery, video and audio to explore the figure of the Windigokaan, a contrary spirit in traditional Anishinabe culture. The Windigokaan express the opposite of accepted norms in society. Benesiinaabandan believes that the Windigokaan use their contrary nature to teach others and that their backwardness represents an important understanding of the duality of the human psyche that is not always recognized, both within and outside of traditional Anishinabe

society. In the exhibition, this understanding of duality is echoed in the artist's visual portrait of a Windigokaan, details of the Windigokaan's raggedy regalia and landscape studies that suggest the physical space from which contrariness might originate. Benesiinaabandan's goal is to open discussion about this sacred society as well as the importance of deviant cultural figures in contemporary life. Importantly, *unSacred* was co-presented as a satellite exhibition of Plug In ICA's *Close Encounters: The Next 500 Years*, a large-scale exhibition of contemporary Indigenous art from around the world that was shown at venues throughout downtown Winnipeg from January through May 2011.

Benesiinaabandan conducted research on the Windigokaan during his time as a student at The University of Winnipeg. Specifically, he credits Dr. Mark Ruml of the Department of Religion and Culture as being an academic influence. He also acknowledges the late Stan Williams as his cultural teacher. When asked how his studies at The University of Winnipeg have impacted his work, Benesiinaabandan responded: "The



Scott Benesiinaabandan, *unSacred*, 2011, mixed media on canvas, 48" x 48". Image courtesy of the artist.

work itself started with the research and papers written throughout my time at U of W, so it really is the genesis of the show. Taking the psychology and religion majors reflects the reasoning behind my art; it simply led to a better understanding of myself and my world. A show at Gallery 1Co3 was a perfect way to see the work manifest."

What's next for this rising art star? Benesiinaabandan hinted that he may return to university to pursue a graduate degree in the next couple years but until then, he says, "I'm just really enjoying doing the art thing."

Gallery 1Co3 will release an exhibition catalogue related to *unSacred* in the fall of 2011. The publication will include essays by Dr. Mark Ruml and University of Winnipeg alumna Jaimie Isaac.

Alumni Association President's Letter

Dear Alumni,

I am sure you have noticed. There is a new sense of energy and excitement moving The University of Winnipeg forward. No doubt you have seen and heard and read the media articles profiling all of the new buildings on campus, new programs and advancements. But have you been to campus lately to experience it for yourself?



The UWinnipeg Alumni Association is very proud to be involved in all of this development. We too are launching new initiatives to build upon on this momentum. Our goal is to support the University and facilitate connections between all members of the University community, of which you are a valuable member. We have put together an ambitious calendar of events this year

featuring several events every month, all of which are designed to increase your connection to the University. To name just a few:

- Homecoming events from September 8 - 11
- Mentoring Night on September 22
- Helping international students "Get Ready for Winter" in October
- Fall Convocation – October 16
- Santa Claus Parade block party hosts – November 12
- Providing snacks to hungry students studying for exams – early December
- Holiday Party / Volunteer Appreciation Night – mid-December

Now is the time to get involved! Like us on facebook, follow us on Twitter, and join our LinkedIn group. Please watch for e-mails seeking volunteers, or contact alumni@uwinnipeg.ca. Come to campus and experience it for yourself!

Sincerely,

Chris Minaker (BA '04)

Mentor Night is Coming Up...

Want to get involved with students? Participate in Mentoring Night on Thursday, September 22, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at Convocation Hall. Email alumni@uwinnipeg.ca for more info or check in on Facebook (The University of Winnipeg Alumni).



Alumni volunteers at The Santa Claus Parade



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The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association Update

The mission of the UWinnipeg Alumni Association is to build and maintain lifelong relationships between the University and its diverse alumni and to foster an alumni program that expands alumni networks and generates loyalty to our University through mentorship, support, communication and lifelong learning.

The Alumni Association is pleased to introduce the 2011 – 2012 Council:

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Call for Alumni Council Volunteers

Are you interested in taking an active role in the Alumni Association? We'd love to hear from you! Opportunities exist for alumni to serve on the Alumni Association Council, as alumni representatives on University Committees, and on the Board of Regents. We also welcome alumni volunteers who are interested in serving as student mentors or helping out at Alumni Council events. Please see the Alumni website for more information - go to UWinnipeg.ca and click on Alumni, or call 988-7122.

The Distinguished Alumni Award

The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association's Distinguished Alumni Award honours alumni for outstanding contributions to their professions or their communities. Established in 1990, the award is the Alumni Association's highest tribute.

Do you know a graduate who has made an outstanding contribution to his/her profession or to the community? The deadline for nominations for the Distinguished Alumni Awards 2012 is March 31, 2012. For more details about the award and to download a nomination form, please visit the Distinguished Alumni Award web page (go to UWinnipeg.ca and click on alumni) or call 988-7122.



Margo Goodhand (BA Hons. '79)

The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association honoured journalist and Winnipeg Free Press Editor Margo Goodhand with the Distinguished Alumni Award at the University's Spring Convocation Ceremony for the Conferring of Degrees in Arts on June 9th, 2011. The award was given in recognition of Goodhand's remarkable career in journalism, service to her community, her commitment to and belief in the integrity of journalism, and her mentorship of journalists and students.

Larry Updike (BA '95)

The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association honoured Winnipeg broadcaster Larry Updike with the Distinguished Alumni Award at the University's Autumn Convocation Ceremony on October 17, 2010. The



award recognized Updike's radio broadcasting career, for which he was inducted into the Manitoba Broadcaster's Hall of Fame in 2009, and his advocacy for the War Amps, people affected by autism, and people experiencing homelessness and poverty.

Nick Ternette (BA '67)

The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association honoured noted Winnipeg civic activist Nick Ternette with the Distinguished Alumni Award at the University's Spring Arts



Convocation Ceremony on June 10th, 2010. The award recognized Ternette's willingness to speak out, his community activism, and the strength of will and character he has shown in coping with his recent disability. A political activist, social advocate, journalist and volunteer, Nick Ternette has dedicated much of his life to the fight for fair treatment and justice for all.

Homecoming 2010 and Reunion Celebrations



The Class of 1960 celebrated their 50-year class reunion on Homecoming Weekend, September 10-12.



The United College Class of 1950 celebrated their 60-year reunion from September 22-24, 2010 culminating with a dinner at The Fort Garry. As the evening came to a close, many were already expressing their interest in having another reunion in the next couple of years. Hail United!



The singing group from the Class of 1960, The Monotones, had a reunion of their own on Saturday evening. Their voices transcend time!



The Class of 1960 Theology took a campus tour during the Homecoming Weekend. Back Row (L-R): Rev. James Strachan, Rev. Dr. Harold King, Kathy Hancox and Rev. Ken Beal. Front Row (L-R): Dorothy Sly, Rev. Douglas Sly, Rev. Joe Redpath and Rev. Jeff Challoner.



Senior Stick, Bill Norrie, welcomed the Class of 1950 at the Welcome Reception event. Lady Stick, Marg Wilson, is standing next to him.



The Class of 1950 took a campus tour during their 3-day reunion in September. (L-R): Cathy (McElheran) Fry '52, Joe Fry, Margaret (Fleming) Anglin, Mac Watts, Mary Jane (Shortill) McIntyre, Margaret (Killick) Ramsay, Joyce (Parkinson) Rich '51 along with the two UWinipeg student ambassadors who led the tour.



Left: The Class of 1955's annual reunion lunch took place at The University of Winnipeg Faculty and Staff Club on May 4, 2011. (L-R): Gordon Throp, Josephine Wright (Morgan), Joan Baragar (Black), Audrey Loochuk (Sampson), Pat Mackling (Ono), Marian Martin, Roland Rivalin, Patricia Gregory (Harris) Missing this year was Viola Johnson.

Update from The University of Winnipeg Foundation

SAVE THE DATE!

September 16th, 2011

A World of Opportunity Campaign Close Celebration



**A World
of Opportunity**
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

The University of Winnipeg's A World of Opportunity Capital Campaign is nearing a close. When the campaign was launched in November of 2007, our goal was to raise \$70 million. Through the immense support and generosity of University of Winnipeg alumni and friends, we are fortunate to have raised over \$77.5 million to March 31, 2011, far exceeding our original goal.

We are elated to tell you that as a result of our tremendous success, we are on our way to a very ambitious new stretch goal.

Generous investments have led to major improvements that are having a significant impact on The University of Winnipeg and its Collegiate, our students and faculty, and the downtown area surrounding our campus.

These acts of generosity have given new life to our institution and will aid in creating a brighter future for all. Education is the source of opportunity and your contributions serve as a gift that will allow us to continue moving forward in putting The University of Winnipeg on the leading edge of learning.



The University of Winnipeg Foundation is grateful to all who have contributed in our efforts to place our institution among the leaders in higher education. With only months remaining in our campaign, we wish to thank those who have given generously and welcome all who wish to join in our pursuit of excellence.

Join us in celebrating the successful completion to our historic A World of Opportunity Capital Campaign!

Date: Friday, September 16, 2011,

Time: 11:00 AM

Venue: The Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex, 599 Portage Avenue

CAMPAIGN HIGHLIGHTS

The Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex

The Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex is a catalyst for cutting-edge innovation, research and development, incubation and commercialization at The University of Winnipeg. The complex, located next to McFetters Hall and the UWSA Daycare, officially opened on June 27th, 2011 - classes are slated to begin in fall 2011.

Community Learning

The University's mandate is to provide educational opportunities and services to the local community in support of capacity building within Winnipeg's inner city. In keeping with this vision, the University's most progressive initiative has been the Opportunity Fund. This fund is dedicated to seeing that everyone, regardless of background and socio-economic status, has access to higher education and post secondary opportunities.



Business and Economics

The Faculty of Business & Economics offers a multidisciplinary approach to business education, encouraging students to develop a well-rounded knowledge base. The faculty provides a unique combination of courses which promotes independent thinking, creativity and social consciousness. We are pleased to announce that the new home for the Faculty, the Buhler Centre, opened its doors and welcomed its first students in the Fall of 2010.

Scholarships and Bursaries

The Foundation gifts over \$1.1 million to the University every year to help fund student awards. One event that celebrates and highlights our fundraising efforts in support of student awards is the Annual Duff Roblin Gala Dinner, the proceeds of which go towards supporting the Duff Roblin Scholars Fund. This year's event surpassed our expectations bringing in over \$100,000 for our Duff Roblin Scholars.

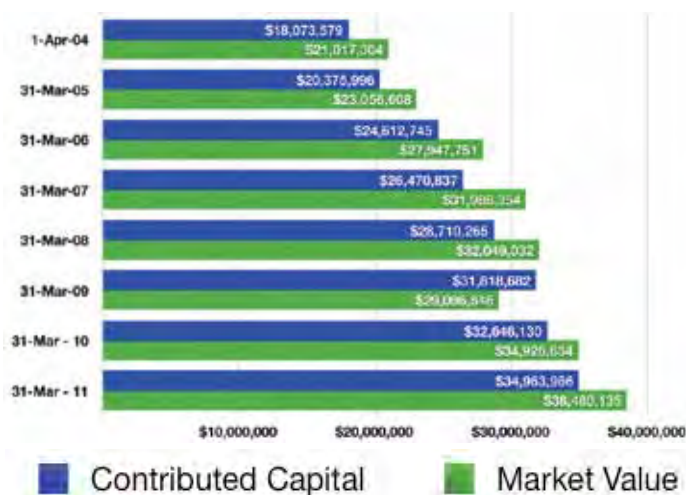
The Collegiate – “the high school with a university attitude.”

The University of Winnipeg Collegiate is one of the most exciting and innovative high school models in the country. Home to more than 600 students, The Collegiate offers high school programs and transition to post-secondary education to students in Grades 9-12. In 2008, The Collegiate launched the Model School for talented Aboriginal and inner-city youth, offering innovative programming, mentorship and financial aid.

The Endowment Fund

The Endowment Fund generates revenues to support many University awards, programs and projects. Its resilience and growth is important in both the short and long term. The Foundation's policy is that contributed capital is not to be encroached upon; it is preserved in perpetuity. From the time that the Endowment Fund was transferred to the Foundation on April 1, 2004 to March 31, 2011 the Endowment Fund has grown from \$18,073,579 to \$34,480,135 (contributed capital).

The University of Winnipeg Foundation stewards nearly 500 individual Endowment Funds. These funds are pooled for investment purposes to allow for diversification of the total portfolio in order to lower the risk and improve performance.



Supporting Students

Mrs. Kathleen Birchall (seated), Joel Hayes (2007), Marcia Hamm (2005) Ashley Marcinkow (2002) Keely McFadden (2010), Lisa Semchuk (McGirr 2010), Anna Choy (2009), back row: Stephen Spence (1999)



2010 Roger and Kathleen Graham Scholars Dinner

The Roger and Kathleen Graham Scholars Dinner has become one of the Foundation's premiere donor stewardship events. Hosted by Class of '41 alumnus Mrs. Kathleen Birchall, this annual dinner is an inspiring gathering of recipients of the Roger and Kathleen Graham Scholarship in History and English, extraordinary students all, and their families.

Keeley McFadden, currently in her second year at The University of Winnipeg and pursuing an English degree focused in creative writing, was welcomed as the newest member of the community of Graham Scholars.



Gift from UWinnipeg Chancellor Bolsters Two New Initiatives

On April 26, 2010, The University of Winnipeg's 7th Chancellor and University of Winnipeg Foundation board member, Mr. Robert (Bob) Silver pledged a \$250,000 gift to support the University's A World of Opportunity Capital Campaign.

Chancellor Silver's generous gift will assist two high priority University projects, \$100,000 directed towards the new Master's in Development Practice and an additional \$150,000 directed to the Wesley Fund.

Faculty Support Business Awards

In 2005, Grace O'Farrell established the O'Farrell Scholarship for students in the Faculty of Business and Economics, Business and Administration program. She was inspired to make a gift after hearing a presentation by University of Winnipeg Foundation President and CEO, Susan Thompson.

After realizing she didn't need a lot of seed money to start a fund, O'Farrell began making contributions. Through payroll deductions, she built her scholarship fund to \$10,000. This year, O'Farrell renewed her commitment to the fund by extending her pledge with an additional \$4,000.



Collegiate Leadership Matching Fund Exceeds Goal!

Thanks to a small group of committed UW Collegiate donors, the Collegiate Leadership Matching Fund has exceeded its extraordinary goal

of \$500,000. The fund was established in 2010 to inspire, and then match, donations and pledges to the \$5 Million Collegiate Campaign.

To date, \$505,000 has been made available in matching funds.

Buiding a Foundation of Learning

Brian and Ruth Hastings' company, Qualico Group has been building solid foundations in communities for over 55 years. So it is not surprising that the Hastings have chosen to support the foundational learning that takes place at The University of Winnipeg Collegiate.

The Hastings were moved to invest \$250,000 in the Dean's Bursary Fund, leveraging another quarter of a million dollars in Leadership Matching Funds. Their gift will help to ensure deserving students receive the same benefits they received from a Collegiate education.

Campus Development

Power Corporation of Canada - Power Corporation of Canada generously donated a gift of \$1 million to support The University of Winnipeg's A World of Opportunity Capital Campaign. Directed to the state-of-the-art Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex, the University will recognize the gift by naming the atrium within the Science Complex, the *Power Corporation of Canada Atrium*.

The atrium's feature wall, which is four stories high, is made from the original Winnipeg Roller Rink flooring which was carefully removed and restored as another recycled component of the LEED certified building.

Manitoba Hydro – Understanding the benefits the Science Complex will provide to University of Winnipeg Students and citizens of Manitoba, Manitoba Hydro donated a tremendous \$750,000 donation towards the capital costs of the new building. This donation marks the beginning of a cooperative working relationship between Manitoba Hydro and The University of Winnipeg's Faculty of Science leading to positive results for the environmental future of our Province.

E.H Price - A \$200,000 gift from E.H. Price helped to create the *E.H. Price Laboratory*, and *E.H. Price Lecture Classroom*. The Laboratory will be used to provide students with a well-founded understanding of aquatic-based chemistry, a "chemical perspective," essential to those with a concern for environmental issues. The Lecture Classroom is in a high-traffic area, open to the student common spaces, and will see hundreds of students as they come and go throughout the day.

Thomas Sill Foundation - The Thomas Sill Foundation donated a \$125,000 gift to create the *Thomas Sill Water Research Laboratory* for trace environmental contaminant analysis. This facility will be used to train the next generations of leaders in understanding how pollutant exposure is linked to potential risks that may be posed to human and ecosystem health.

Program Enhancements

Generous Gift Feeds Students

Thanks to a generous donation from Jennifer and Mary Roblin and The Burns Family Fund through The Winnipeg Foundation, The University of Winnipeg's Diversity Food Services is providing nutritious after-school snacks to school students of all ages who attend the after-school Let's Talk Science and Homework Club at The University of Winnipeg's Wii Chiwaakanak Learning Centre.

The generosity of Jennifer and her mother Mary and the Burns Family Fund donation of \$36,000 will ensure that the program will continue well into the future providing stability for the homework club.

UWinnipeg Celebrates Life and Legacy of The Late Honourable Duff Roblin

The University of Winnipeg paid tribute to the late Duff Roblin at a dinner named in his honour, November 2, 2010 at the Fort Garry Hotel.

HudBay Minerals Inc. and the Robbins/Miller Family - A unique collaboration between HudBay Minerals Inc. and the Robbins/Miller Family resulted in a \$100,000 gift recognized with the *Flin Flon Laboratory* naming. Dr. Peter Miller, who helped coordinate the gift, is a Senior Scholar and past Chair of the Department of Philosophy at The University of Winnipeg. Inspired by the Robbins-Miller family history of mining in Canada and as a result of a generous exchange of Robbins/Miller land titles with HudBay Minerals Inc. the outcome of the partnership was a generous gift toward the new Complex.

Robert W. Cunningham Family and Cunningham Business Interiors Ltd.

- The gift of a classroom, to be known as *The Robert W. Cunningham Family and Cunningham Business Interiors Ltd. Lecture Classroom* in the Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex fits perfectly with the Cunningham family values and support of education, while providing even stronger ties between this family and The University.



UWinnipeg Supplier Supports Future Students and Campus Development

In March 2011, Graciete and Jose Correia, local business owners, made a generous donation of \$350,000 towards the A World of Opportunity Capital Campaign through their award winning building maintenance company Bee-Clean.

The Gift supports three areas of development; \$300,000 is directed to the capital costs of both the Buhler Centre and the Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex and a further \$50,000.00 is directed towards the establishment of the Maria Graciete and Jose Correia Family Scholarship.



Ms Jennifer Roblin, Dr. Joe Martin and Mrs. Sally Ann Martin at the 2011 Duff Roblin Tribute Dinner)

The Duff Roblin Tribute Dinner celebrated the life and legacy of the Honourable Duff Roblin, who was the 14th Premier of Manitoba, member of the Canadian Senate and oversaw the granting of The University of Winnipeg Charter. He passed away May 30, 2010 at the age of 92.

The evening was a tremendous success raising \$125,000 towards the Duff Roblin Scholars Fund.

Leaving a Legacy at The University of Winnipeg

Robert and Eileen Stuebing first met on the campus of what is now The University of Winnipeg. That first meeting sparked a love that will leave a lasting legacy on campus.

Bob first arrived on campus when he attended The Collegiate for Grades 11 and 12. It wasn't quite as simple as that though as Bob dropped out for one year to work and wound up at another Winnipeg high school to start his senior year. When Bob realized it wasn't going to work there, he was given an opportunity to go back to The Collegiate.

"My life would not have unfolded the way it did if I had not had the opportunity to finish high school at The Collegiate."

Bob says that all the teachers at The Collegiate were outstanding, but he believes that the late Dean Lorne Tomlinson was the glue that held the Collegiate together.

"I spent a lot of time in his office," says Bob. "So I got to know him very well. He was a great man and he had a huge impact on my life."

From The Collegiate, Bob moved on to The University of Winnipeg where he earned a Bachelor of Arts with a major in Economics. One day, he had the good fortune to be introduced

to a young librarian, Eileen Roper, on her coffee break in Tony's.

Eileen worked in the library at the university for four years and says working in the library allowed her to interact with everyone from students to professors.

"Working in the library, I still felt like part of the University," she says. "It felt like we knew everyone. Some 40 years later, it still holds a special place."

While working at the library, she developed life-

long friends and married Bob. Those cherished memories have stayed close to their hearts, and now they are giving back to the place that provided them.

In addition to joining the Legacy Circle, Bob and Eileen also made a generous donation to provide a new grand piano for the renovated Convocation Hall. The gift of the piano has special meaning, for when Bob lived in residence in Wesley Hall, he would go into Convocation Hall to play the piano that was there at the time.

Their decision to join the Legacy Circle was made after careful consideration to the start that The University of Winnipeg provided in their successful lives.

"You have to reflect on where you are in the world, and how you got there, and who helped you get there. We think you have an obligation to give back," says Bob.



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To date, over \$70 million has been invested in the A World of Opportunity Capital Campaign. Generous support from donors is transforming our downtown campus through projects like the Science Complex & Richardson College for the Environment, the Opportunity Fund, the H. Sanford Riley Centre for Canadian History and the Buhler Centre - Faculty of Business. Together we are making a difference in the lives of our students!



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CLASS ACTS

Compiled by Kelly Nickie (BA 4-yr '11) and Raechel Sanchez (DCE '10)

1950s

Hooey, Charles (BA '51) lives in Winnipeg and is retired from the Provincial Government. He had worked extensively



with the Department of Industry and Commerce and Department of Natural Resources preparing

speeches, articles and news releases. Once he retired, he began writing biographies of opera singers of the past. His articles have appeared in *The Record Collector*, *For the Record*, *the British Music Society News* and *the Elgar Journal*. These articles can be found on <http://www.musicweb-international.com/hooey/hooey-idx.htm>

Parker, Douglas (BA '52) was one of the volunteer crew members who operated the Olympic Line streetcars in Vancouver along False Creek for the Olympic Games. Before moving to the Coast, Doug drove streetcars in his spare time in Edmonton for 25 years both at Fort Edmonton Park and on the High Level Bridge.

1960s

Johnson, Peter W. (BA '68) retired in 2010 as English Department Head in a Vancouver secondary school after teaching 35 years (MB and BC). Peter continues to write, his first book, *Glyphs and Gallows: The Rock Art of Clo-oose and the Wreck of the John Bright*, explored coastal petroglyphs and BC Colonial history. His second was a BC best-seller for many years. *Voyages of Hope: The Saga of the Brideships*, recounted the history of the many single women who left 19th century England to marry the miners on BC's wild frontier. He has, too, published essays on Dostoyevsky and George Orwell. After obtaining an MA from UBC, he taught summer programs in English and Irish Literature to high-schoolers at Oxford

University and Trinity College, Dublin. He has organized language programs in France, Spain and Mexico, led sailing and sketching excursions throughout BC's coastal Gulf Islands, and run cross-country bicycle trips to Idaho, Montana and the interior of BC. His third book, on the early practice of medicine in BC, should be out next year.

Jones, Olive (BA '65) was the 2009 recipient of an Award of Merit from the Society for Historical Archaeology and of the 2004 Rakow Research Grant from the Corning Museum of Glass, New York. She has published several articles and books on the history of glass used in Canada, based on archaeological collections.

Lee, Linda (BA '68) retired in 2008. She then spent a year in Chengdu, China teaching English at the Chengdu University of Information Technology. She returned to Canada in 2009.

Reimer, Don (BA '69) is pastor of Ostenfeld Lutheran Church and St. John Lutheran Church of Lydiatt, Manitoba.

Sargeant [Konchak],

Carol (BA '68) has written a trilogy of novels called "Love, Honour, and Royal Blood". It is a historical romance set in England, between Katharine Swynford and John of Gaunt, about the struggle of choice between secret romance and loyalty to the church. You can read sample passages and order the book online at www.herlifstory.com



1970s

Anthony, Douglas Randall (BA '74) is the Construction Quality Assurance Manager at MEG Energy Corporation in Calgary, Alberta.

Dass, Dhanraj (The Collegiate '73 BSC '78) owns the Brahmabhuta Guesthouse in Trinidad, West Indies.

DiCosimo [Fredrickson], Joanne (BAH '74) retired from the Canadian Museum of Nature in 2010.

During her 13 years as President and CEO, she increased visitor attendance by developing new galleries and exhibits, as well as initiating a national fundraising campaign that raised over \$12 million to support new programs. She was named a Fellow of the Canadian Museums Association in 2008, the highest recognition for a museum professional in Canada. Other awards she has received include the Honorary Fellow of the Royal Canadian Geographical Society, the Distinguished Alumni Award from The University of Winnipeg, the YWCA Woman of Distinction Award, the Prix Manitoba Heritage Award, and the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal for service to the community.



Hansford, Gary (BA '73) retired as Director, Supply Chain from Church & Dwight Canada in 2008. He is enjoying his retirement by spending time with his grandchildren and renovating his home in Collingwood, Ontario. He would enjoy hearing from former Wesmen hockey team members from 1969 to 1973.

Johnstone, Roy (BSC '70) resides in Prince Edward Island and is the President of Fiddlehead Productions. He is interested in catching up with old friends and members of the Wesmen basketball team that he played on from 1967 to 1970.

Kern, Marshall (BSC '78) retired from a great career with Dow Chemical as the global expertise leader for Product Stewardship. He was honoured with the company's highest award in the Environment, Health and Safety function.

Madder, James (BSC '74) was recently appointed President of Confederation College in Thunder Bay, Ontario. Previously, he served as Vice-President at Red Deer College in Alberta.

Martin, Tim (BA '79) has been appointed Canada's Ambassador to the Republic of Colombia. He joined the Canadian International Development Agency in 1983 and moved to the Department of External Affairs and International Trade in 1992. He has since served in Addis Ababa, Ramallah and Nairobi and, in Buenos Aires, as ambassador to Argentina and Paraguay. He has also served as political-economic officer for the Horn of Africa; deputy coordinator, Middle East peace process; director, peacebuilding and human security; and senior director and deputy head of the Stabilization and Reconstruction Task Force. He became representative of Canada in Kandahar in 2010.

Neufeld, Ken (BA '73) and **Neufeld [Nee Malcolm], Lesley (BA '73)** moved to Dayton, Ohio in 2009 when Ken was appointed President and CEO of the Victoria Theatre Association, a performing arts complex. Lesley does communications for arts groups in the community as a volunteer. They are both enjoying life in Dayton with their golden retriever, Riley.



Rutherford, Dwight (BAH '79, MPA '81, STM '02) was ordained to the ministry of the United Church of Canada in 1999. He served the Binscarth Foxwarren Pastoral Charge for over 9 years. Currently he is the minister of Reston United Church and Pipestone United Church. Dwight is a former United Church member of the Board of Regents and is a Past President of The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association. As well, Dwight is past chair of Assiniboine Presbytery.



Skrepnek, William (Alan) (BA '72) retired

in 2005 as a water resource planner with the Manitoba Government. Alan is forever grateful and respectful of his professors in the Geography Department and of the relevancy of his studies to his career. His many work projects include[d]: the International Roseau River Basin Study, Manitoba's Water Policies and management plans for the Assiniboine Delta Aquifer and Seine River Watershed. Rather than doing what he enjoys and is reportedly good at (telling funny stories and playing the accordion) Alan continues to go golfing. He is also a soccer fanatic and likes to watch the World Cup finals and other 'big' games with other fans along Corydon Avenue or at The King's Head Pub.

Wiebe, Alan (BA '71) is currently teaching in the Faculty of Education at The University of Winnipeg. Besides his duties teaching courses on Issues with At Risk Children and Youth, he is the coordinator of the Mentorship Program. This program connects Faculty of Education students with different populations of at risk youth in the neighbourhoods surrounding the University and beyond.



1980s

Blatch, Kevin (BA '86) A "lifer in the biz", Kevin is now celebrating his 35th year working as an actor, teacher, producer, casting director, and agent in film and television internationally. He has been featured in many popular film and television productions, including *White Chicks*, *Dudley Do-Right*, *Psych*, *The Dead Zone*, *Dead Like Me*, and *Men in Trees*. He was winner of the Best Performance by an Actor at the Vancouver Island Film Festival in *THE NOISE UPSTAIRS* as Dr. Herbert Swing. Kevin and his husband split their time between Vancouver, British Columbia and New York



City. Check out his website and contact information at: <http://kevinblatch.workbooklive.com>.

Bong, Joon-Fook (BA '82) lives in Sarawak Malaysia and is the Director for MAG Intertrade Engineering.

Campbell [Smith], Cathy (BA '81) resides in Victoria, Australia and is a learning development coordinator for Wesley Mission Victoria.

Cassel-Vernon, Jacqueline (BA '84) is participating in a management internship program for people with disabilities, within the provincial civil service. Jacqueline is posted at the Mental Health and Spiritual Health Care Branch, studying consumer involvement in program planning.

Corriveau, Guy (BSC '84, MPA '00) now lives in Langley, British Columbia with his wife Lillis and son Graeme. He has taken on the position of Manager of Emergency Planning at Kwantlen University, where he is applying his knowledge and expertise to help all four of Kwantlen's Lower Mainland University campuses mitigate against, prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies and disaster.



Hill, Murray (BA '80) currently resides in Winnipeg, Manitoba and after 25+ years in media sales, is now the Business Development Director with Change Makers Marketing Communications, a local full service advertising agency, specializing in social marketing.

Neubauer, Dayle (BA '85) resides in Winnipeg and is a property stylist offering certified professional home staging and re-design services in the Winnipeg and Beausejour areas.

O'Malley, Jeffrey (BA '85) currently lives in New York City and is the Director of HIV, Health & Development for the United Nations Development Programme. He relocated to New York from New Delhi, India in 2007, where he was the Country

Director for PATH, a non-profit organization supporting innovation in health technology and public health for the poor. From 1993 to 2003, he worked as the founding CEO of the International HIV/AIDS Alliance, the world's largest HIV-focused NGO.



Paraschuk, Douglas (BA '82) – After attaining his degree from UWinnipeg, Doug continued his education in Alberta and attained his MFA in theatre design in 1987. He has had more than 30 years of experience in the field of design, including 22 years as design coordinator for the Stratford Shakespeare Festival and head of the design team for the 2006 Asian Games held in the small Arab state of Qatar. Doug was one of the Design Directors for the opening, closing and nightly ceremonies for the 2010 Winter Olympics held in Vancouver, BC this past February. He was responsible for managing the team of designers, developing creative content for the celebrations and oversaw all elements of design, including scenic, costume, lighting and audio/visual content.

Radi, Debra (B.Ed. '81, BA '85) was appointed Executive Director to the Office of the Vice-President Academic at The University of Winnipeg in August, 2010. Her specific responsibilities are in the area of Student Services and other administrative tasks designed to support the University's academic leadership team. She also coordinates activities of the VPA's office to give attention to the highest priority areas such as student well-being issues. Deb joined the University from the Seine River School Division where she was Assistant Superintendent. She has worked throughout Winnipeg as both a teacher and vice-principal. Debra also received the Merron Chorny Award from the Canadian Council of Teachers of English Language Arts in 2010. This award recognizes those who have made a significant contribution to English language arts education in Canada as

teachers, co-ordinators, administrators or researchers. Deb has served in a volunteer capacity as both President of The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association and Chair of the Board of Regents.

Tess, Aurel (BA '85) lives in Winnipeg, Manitoba and is the Assistant Deputy Minister, Administration and Finance for the Department of Family Services and Consumer Affairs with the Province of Manitoba.

Wieler, David Nathan (BSC '87) is the owner of DesignRepublic in Toronto, Ontario.

1990s

Berntzen, Craig (BA '93) is a pilot for Air Sprint Private Aviation in Calgary, Alberta.

Dawson, Kelsey Kenneth (BED '93) is the Head of Year at the YMCA of Hong Kong Christian College in Hong Kong.

Evans, Dr. Barbara (BSC '94) received her Master of Adult Education degree in 2010 from The University of Regina. She divides her time between Parkland College, where she instructs nursing students in biological sciences and Melville Veterinary clinic, where she works as a mixed animal veterinarian. She and her husband live in Yorkton, Saskatchewan.

Lulashnyk, Troy (BA Hons. '92) has been appointed Canada's Ambassador to Ukraine. He joined the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade in 1999 after working with the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission as a nuclear non-proliferation officer and with the Nuclear and Chemical Disarmament Implementation Agency as senior policy adviser. In 2002, he became director of the department's Global Partnership Program and, in 2006, director general of its Major Programs Bureau.

Modha, Ashok (BSC '93) lives in Portland, Oregon and is a Neurosurgeon for Northwest Surgical Specialists in Portland and Vancouver, Washington.

McBride, Dawn (BAH '91) is an associate

professor (counseling psychology, graduate studies) at The University of Lethbridge and is a registered clinical psychologist. She has received a number of teaching awards and has published in areas of online counselor education, trauma/family violence, and multicultural issues. She is co-chair of the Canadian Psychotherapy Group Association training/education committee. She maintains a private practice specializing in complex trauma issues. Based on her experiences of teaching Muslim women in the Middle East for a few years she co-edited a book; *Learning and Teaching across Cultures in Higher Education*.

Ngo, Hea Chee (BSC '96) is the Channel Sales Director of Huawei Symantec Technologies in Malaysia & Southern Pacific Region.

Ong, Linda (BA Hons. '90) resides in Singapore and is a Deputy Director with Nanyang Technological University.

Snage [Grueneich], Kimberley (BA '96) lives in Winnipeg and is thrilled about her new role at Legacy Bowes as a Management Search Consultant. She specializes in management positions in healthcare, retail, financial services, academics and telecommunications.

Soodeen, Claudius (BA '90) recently graduated with an MA from Athabasca University. He is now working at Red River College as an instructional designer in the Teaching, Learning & Technology Centre. Claudius previously served on The University of Winnipeg Alumni Council from 2006-2010, including as President and Past President.

Suss, Kent (BAH '92) is the Theatre School Director at Manitoba Theatre for Young People.

Teoh, Tiat Yih (BA '94) is a human resources and administrative manager for Timur P. A. Pipe Industry Sdn Bhd in Perak, Malaysia.

Vickers, James Robert (BA '98) graduated with a Master of Divinity degree from Lutheran Theological Seminary in Saskatoon in the spring of 2010 and was ordained to

ministry in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada on May 29th 2011. James is now called to serve the Parish of Erickson Lutheran/Onanole United and Christ Lutheran Waldersee in a team ministry with his spouse, Hildegard Vickers.

Vicovac, Ratomir Dule (BA '94) is now a human rights lawyer and has recently been appointed Team Leader in a project funded by the European Union in Development of the Capacity of the Ministry for Human & Minority Rights in Belgrade, Serbia. At the same time, he has also been appointed as an expert adviser on another EU funded project giving legal aid to displaced persons from Kosovo now living in Serbia proper.

Weedon, Michael Christopher (BA '98) earned his Chartered Accountant (CA) designation in February 2005 and is now an Audit Manager for HMA Chartered Accountants in Winnipeg. Michael has also been a contract faculty member of the Department of Business and Administration since fall of 2006.

Wiebe, Christopher (BSC '96) is an Associate Professor in Chemistry at The University of Winnipeg.

West, Stephen (DCE '98) Stephen and his wife Alys-Lynne and their family live, work and play in Winnipeg. Steve has been working with the City of Winnipeg since 2003, and in June 2010 was appointed Manager of Corporate Communications. He is on the board of his local community centre and has been active in workplace charitable giving campaigns.

Woods, Douglas (M.Div '94) was elected President of Evangelical Housing Society in BC in 2010. EHS provides affordable housing in Metro Vancouver with a priority given to those who have served as pastors or missionaries.

2000s

Bautista, Darlyne (BA Hons '05) since graduation, Darlyne continued her studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison to graduate with her Masters of Arts in Southeast Asian Studies. She went on

to coordinate Canada's first accredited Philippine Studies courses at The University of Winnipeg. She is committed to her community work as a founding member of Aksyon Ng Ating Kabataan (ANAK) Inc., an organization that offers educational supports to immigrant youth. She also curated Manitoba's first Filipino-Canadian oral history exhibit at the Manitoba Museum. Recently, she was elected as a trustee in the Winnipeg School Division.

Carpenter, Jenna (BA '09) is attending law school at The University of Alberta. She was previously an Account Representative with the Canadian Wheat Board in Winnipeg.



Chiborak, Catherine (BA '02) lives and works in Winnipeg. She recently completed the Certified General Accountant professional Program. She works for the Province of Manitoba Finance Department as a Tax Auditor.



Ciekiewicz, Lara (BA Hons '02) lives in Winnipeg and is an opera singer.

Demchenko, Boris (BSC '04) Boris is currently living in Winnipeg and is employed with the RCMP in their toxicology laboratory as a forensic scientist laboratory technician.

Edsie, Kenton (BA '08) currently lives in Winnipeg and works as an employment consultant with the Opportunities for Employment Centre. He assists individuals with criminal records with finding and maintaining meaningful employment.

Fouad, David (BA '03) is a realtor with Remax Professionals in Winnipeg. After earning his degree at UWinnipeg, David worked for RBC for close to eight years. His last position was Senior Account Manager, managing higher net worth client investment and credit portfolios. During this time David formed a real estate

investment company and now has a portfolio of properties developed to provide residential homes for families. He is an avid sailor and hockey player and is a member of the Winnipeg Junior Chamber of Commerce. His website is www.davidfouad.com.



Gareau, Brian (DCE '11) is the Senior Manager of Operations and Technical Services at Manitoba Lotteries Corporation.

Hancharyk, Monica (BSC '07) completed her Master of Occupational Therapy from the University of Manitoba in 2009. She is now living in Alberta and working as an occupational therapist.

Hutniak, Sara (BA Hons. '03) received her MA in Unconventional Warfare Studies from American Military University in Manassas, VA (2005). She then took the unconventional step of returning to Winnipeg to become a personal trainer and currently owns SWEATMARKS. In March 2011 Sara joined Team Diabetes for the Rome Marathon - raising funds to support the Canadian Diabetes Association and modeling an active lifestyle for her clients.



Jacobs, Amanda Lynn (BSC '09) is the Environment Coordinator at Vale Canada Limited in Thompson, Manitoba.

Livesey, Sarah (BAH '11) is a TA and currently doing a SSHRC-funded MA program in English Literature at Concordia University.

March, Justin (BSC '08) is living in Winnipeg and is currently working at Society for Manitobans with Disabilities in the Employment Preparation Center. He conducts vocational evaluations for individuals with disabilities.

Mutton, Stacey (BBA '09) works at Standard Aero as a human resources administrator in Winnipeg.

Napora, Larry (DCE '05) is the Director of Sales and Marketing for Trades Live Inc., an internet based industry specific professional social media networking company (www.tradelive.com) which provides information and communication exchange between member communities. Services include marketing, advertising and network affiliate advertising programs, along with video and web domain hosting.

Randall [Laing], Cindy (MDIV '04) is a minister at Humbervale United Church in Etobicoke, Ontario.

Simcoe, Benjamin (BA '10) works as an office assistant in Student Services at The University of Winnipeg.

Thai, Chi Thanh (BSC '07) After 3 years with Microsoft Canada, Thanh Thai decided to

further his career by moving to Microsoft's HQ in Redmond, WA. He is currently helping to bring the next version of Exchange Server to the market. He believes that the creativity and freedom that is encouraged at Microsoft enables all the employees to flourish. The projects that he's been fortunate to be a part of include Exchange Server 2010, the next version of Exchange, and Office 365.

Villeneuve, Stephanie (BA '09, BSCH '09) is enrolled at the University of Manitoba in the School of Medicine and will graduate with the class of 2014.

Wiens, Rudy (DCE '01, '02) Since graduation, Rudy traveled to Africa for humanitarian aid work. From September 2002 until January 2004 he led a food distribution program for World Vision in

the Democratic Republic of Congo. He then came back to Winnipeg to help on the North End Housing Project. In 2006, he left again for the State of Eritrea to head up a food distribution program for Samaritan's Purse. He continued in 2007 as a Food Program Manager for Samaritan's Purse in Mozambique. Currently, he resides in North Bay, Ontario working in the private sector.

Yuen, Raymond (BAH '06) is a research analyst for the Winnipeg Police Service.

Zaharia, Livia (BA '04) opened her own chiropractic clinic, Zaharia Chiropractic in Winnipeg in 2010, and is excited to be helping families discover what they need in order to be healthy.

Alumnus Donates Art Collection to The University of Winnipeg

United College alumnus **Vernon MacKelvie (BA '44)** spent six decades purchasing pictures from established commercial art dealers across the country. After enjoying the experience of viewing these artworks in his home for many years, he recently donated his collection to The University of Winnipeg in order to share his treasures with the public. Mr. MacKelvie's gift

consists of fifty pieces created by respected Canadian artists such as Bertram Brooker, Paraskeva Clark, Dorothy Knowles and Philip Surrey. His donation represents a survey of various styles and movements in Canadian art of the second half of the twentieth century. As such, these paintings, drawings and prints are important additions to the University's permanent fine art collection where they can be studied by faculty, students and others. Half of the works are currently on display in the exhibition *A Life Collected: The Vernon MacKelvie Gift of Canadian Art*, presented in the Hamilton Galleria and University Archives of the University's Library. The exhibition, curated by University of Winnipeg history of art honours student Alexis Kinloch, will continue through the fall of 2011.

—Jennifer Gibson (BA Hons '94), University Art Curator



Bertram Brooker (1888-1955). Houses on a Hill, undated, watercolour, 30 x 21.5 cm.

Celebrating Alumni Honours

Established under special legislation, the Order of Manitoba (O.M.) is the province's highest honour. It recognizes individuals who have demonstrated excellence and achievement in any field of endeavour, benefiting in an outstanding manner the social, cultural or economic well-being of Manitoba and its residents.

The Order of Canada was established in 1967 to recognize outstanding achievement and service in various fields of human endeavour. It is our country's highest civilian honour for lifetime achievement. Three different levels of membership—Companion (C.C.), Officer (O.C.) and Member (O.M.)—honour people whose accomplishments vary in degree and scope.

In recognition of their accomplishments, The University of Winnipeg wishes to congratulate the following alumni:

Carr, James (Jim) (The Collegiate '70) – Order of Manitoba 2011

De Luca, Rayleen (BA Hons. '79) – Order of Manitoba 2011

Doer, The Honourable Gary (LLD '10) – Order of Manitoba 2010

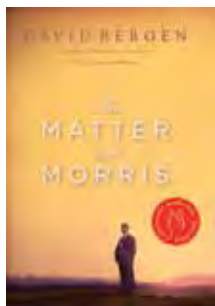
Knowles, Kathryn (BA '88) – Order of Manitoba 2010

Penner, Fred (BA '70; LLD '95) – Order of Manitoba 2011

Prober, Rosalind (BA '66) – Member of the Order of Canada 2010

Alumni Authors

Compiled by: Kelly Nickie (BA 4-yr '11)



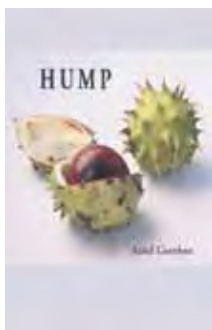
The Matter with Morris

David Bergen (BED '85, DLE '07)

Morris Schutt, a prominent newspaper columnist, surveys his life over the past year, only to see disaster. His son has just been killed in Afghanistan, his newspaper put him on indefinite leave; his psychiatrist wife, Lucille, is about to leave him; and his daughter appears to be having an affair with one of her professors.

What is a thinking man to do but turn to Cicero and Plato and Socrates in search of the truth? Or better still, call one of those discreet "dating services" in search of happiness? But happiness, as Morris discovers, is not that easy to find.

David Bergen was The University of Winnipeg's Carol Shields Writer-In-Residence in 2010. *The Matter With Morris* won the Carol Shields Winnipeg Book Award and the Margaret Laurence Award for Fiction at the 2011 Manitoba Book Awards.



Hump

Ariel Gordon (BSC '96, BA '96)

Hump is a mash-up of pregnancy-and-mothering poems and urban/nature/love poems that functions as an anti-sentiment manifesto from Winnipeg writer Ariel Gordon. Month by month, stanza by stanza, Gordon attempts to adequately represent the wonder and devilment of being-with-child. *Hump* is a love poem written simultaneously to a father and

child, to a lover and the glimmer in his eye, and to a city that is gritty, faded, but still greener-than-most.

Ariel Gordon is the author of two recent small press poetry chapbooks and has published in literary magazines such as *Carousel*, *QWERTY*, and *PRISM International*. She had won the John Hirsch Award for most Promising Manitoba Writer in 2010. When not being bookish, Ariel likes tromping through the woods and taking macro photographs of mushrooms.

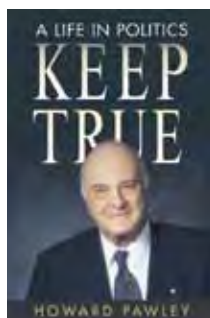


Except My Love For You

John Hodgert (BA '74)

Gordon Strachan had it all. Now all he has is the Minimum List - less than seventy items; the minimal number of possessions he figures a man needs to survive and be content. Once a leader in Winnipeg's business community, Gordon now takes the bus every day from his walk-up apartment to his new job as a labourer at a North End furniture factory. This is just the way he wants it - even if his friends and ex-wife don't quite understand. *Except My Love For You* is a love song to a generation and to the different paths our lives can take. A collection of original songs based on the characters has been recorded by the Meadowlark Orchestra, available at www.exceptmyloveforyou.com

John Hodgert is a retired financier and life-long poet and musician - more alive than ever, and living in Winnipeg. *Except My Love For You* is his first novel. John is married and has two children.



Keep True: A Life in Politics

Dr. Howard Pawley (BA '57)

Howard Pawley served as Premier of Manitoba during one of the most turbulent periods in the province's history. Not since the days of Louis Riel had the province faced such intense and divisive issues as constitutional reform and French-language rights as it did during the 1980s, when Manitoba took centre

stage in setting social policies that would affect Canada's national identity. He discusses the explosive French-language debate between the federal government and Quebec separatists; the CF-18 fighter jet controversy; and the doomed negotiations of the Meech Lake Accord. He tells us what went right and what went wrong, offering unique insight into current national debates. Pawley's memoirs are an engaging and refreshingly honest look at a political career that had a profound effect on a province and its people.

Howard Pawley served for nineteen years as a member of the Manitoba Legislature (1969-1988), serving as Premier from 1981 to 1988. He is currently an associate professor emeritus in the department of Political Science at the University of Windsor. Howard Pawley received the Distinguished Alumni award at Fall Convocation in 2008.

CALLING ALL ALUMNI – Have you had a book published recently? Let us know! Please e-mail alumni@uwinnipeg.ca or call 204.988.7118

The University of Winnipeg Bookstore is now open in its new location in the AnX. This 6,000 square foot store, inside the former bus depot at 491 Portage Avenue, is accessed via the north side of the new Balmoral Transit Station, or visit the store on-line at www.universityofwinnipeg.bkstr.ca

Reese Halter (The Collegiate '81, BA '84)

In Dr. Reese Halter's book, *The Incomparable Honeybee & The Economics of Pollination*, the world renowned scientist, researcher and champion for conservation writes about how honeybees always work together



and in concert with the environment, for the common good of their colony. Halter wants human beings to have the same mutually beneficial relationship with the environment and has dedicated his life to this goal. Halter is a graduate of The University of Winnipeg and its Collegiate (Coll '81, BA '84), as is his father, Aubrey J. Halter (Coll '36, BA '40). *The Incomparable Honeybee* was dedicated to his father, a bee lover. Halter says his love for

the environment started at an early age, when he went on tree planting trips with his father and brother, Jason, also a Collegiate alumnus (Coll '83). "I knew right away I was going to be involved in the world with trees and forests," says Halter. After graduating from UWinnipeg with a degree in Geography, Halter headed west to take in the majesty of the Pacific forest first-hand. While there, he had a vision of creating an institute with like-minded scientists to explore essential questions. He founded Global Forest Science, an international charitable forest research foundation, now a world leader in forest science and conservation with an international team of over 165 scientists. The foundation's projects

over the years have included lobbying Ottawa for legislation to protect the threatened Westslope Cutthroat Trout of B.C. and Alberta, and protecting the world's largest ant colony, located in Japan. While working with Global Forest, Halter began making visits to schools, encouraging children worldwide to embrace conservation, science exploration, and learning. This led him to writing children's books, a TV show entitled *Dr. Reese's Planet*,

and syndicated newspaper columns across North America.

Halter is now a regular with MSNBC and the Huffington Post, helping to explain ecological and environmen-



A Criminal to Remember

Author: Michael Van Rooy (BA '07)

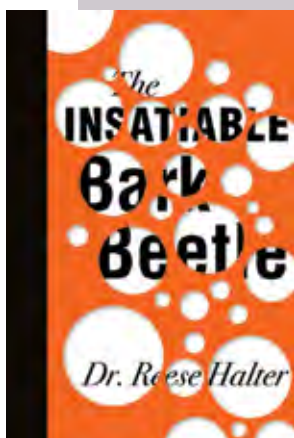
Monty faces a new kind of criminal like nothing he has ever encountered – tangled in political intrigue, blackmail, corruption, and a long-standing feud in which he becomes a pawn. After a wealthy businessman encourages Monty to run for an elected position on the city's new Police Commission, Monty

learns his backer has another agenda. A rival businessman is backing his own patsy for the Commission, and stands to gain a fortune if his man wins – with Monty's hired assistance. But Monty almost calls it quits when Claire starts getting mysterious gifts and flowers, and discovers her admirer is a wanted serial killer, who will stop at nothing to reach his victims.



Michael Van Rooy passed away on January 27, 2011 at the age of 42 in Montreal, QC while on a book tour. Best known for his crime novel series, he won the 2009 John Hirsch Award for Most Promising Manitoba Writer and was nominated at the 2011 Manitoba Book Awards for The Carol Shields Winnipeg Book Award. Michael was a former employee

of The University of Winnipeg Library. He was also Head of the UWinnipeg Library's Writer's Collective and he was an advisory board member of the UWinnipeg Library's publication *juice: a creative arts journal*. The Alumni Affairs team was thrilled to have Michael participate in Homecoming 2008 at an Alumni Authors reading where he read from his novel *An Ordinary Decent Criminal*. His loss is deeply felt within and beyond the Winnipeg arts community.



tal concerns around the globe. His book *The Incomparable Honeybee* tackles the growing concern from scientists and researchers that honeybees are disappearing at an alarming rate. In *The Insatiable Bark Beetle*, he examines the feeding frenzy of trillions of bark beetles now thriving in areas that used to be too cold for them to survive, and the resulting killing of billions of water-starved trees. Halter's books look at the future humanity may face if we do not find ways to control greenhouse gas emissions and climate change, and also offer solutions for turning these trends around. "People think that it doesn't matter, but it does matter. Making a change in one or two habits can make a world of difference."

For more information about what Reese Halter is up to, and information about his new book, *The Insatiable Bark Beetle*, visit <http://www.drreese.com> – Brant Batters

IN MEMORIAM

Compiled by Kelly Nickie (BA 4-yr '11) and Raechel Sanchez (DCE '10)

The University of Winnipeg community offers condolences to the families of the following alumni and staff who have recently passed away.

To forever mark their place in the history of the University, The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association places a bookplate in a select volume in the University Library in memory of each alumnus.

1920s

Elliott, Hazel (BA '29) on April 17, 2010 in Treherne, MB

1930s

Berney [Loban], Ada (BA '33) on June 13, 2011 in Toronto, ON

Clarke [Armstrong], Ruth V. (BA '31) on May 24, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

Cormack, Jack (Coll '39) on May 25, 2010 in Burnsville, MN

Dewar, Ione (Coll '39) on April 24, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

Farley [Whatmough], Kathleen (Coll '34, BA '37) on June 27, 2010 in Calgary, AB

Grimsey [Harris], Hazel (BA '37) on October 31, 2009 in Auckland, NZ

McCaughey, Neil (Coll '35) on January 15, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

Miller, Thomas (Coll '35, BA '38) on January 15, 2011 in Falcon Lake, MB

Rickey [Bird], Allison (BA '37) on July 3, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

Rodgers [Wegenast], Lillian (BA '35) on May 31, 2011 in Nanaimo, BC

Serafin, Olga (Coll '39) on November 13, 2009 in Winnipeg, MB

Shewchuk, Olga (Coll '37, BA '40) on January 7, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

Younger, Helen Margaret (Coll '39) on May 31, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

1940s

Bouchard [Bond], Catherine (Coll '47, BA '50) on April 19, 2011 in Kenora, ON

Cousins, Enid (Coll '46) on April 2, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

Dickson, Irene J. (BA '42; BED '54) on July 15, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

Garten, Wolfgang (Coll '47) on December 17, 2010 in Selkirk, MB

Graydon, Edward (Coll '43) on March 2, 2011 in London, ON

Hodgert [Murdoch], Donalda (BA '48) on February 1, 2011 in Calgary, AB

Langdon [Hodgson], Edith (BA '47) on January 1, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

Luckhurst, Herbert Allan (Coll '41) on July 21, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

Lyon, Sterling (BA '48) on December 16, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

Marcoe, Leonard (Coll '43) on February 5, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

Marco [Zivot], Bernice (BA '47, BSC '48) on May 26, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

McRae, John (Coll '49) on July 16, 2010 in Ottawa, ON

Morris, Elstan G. (Coll '42) on June 22, 2011 in Strathclair, MB

Peach, John (BA '48) on March 9, 2011 in Victoria, BC

Perdue [Saunders], Marianne (BA '49) on February 11, 2010 in Burnaby, BC

Pratt, Donald (BA '42, BD '50) on February 13, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

Selver [Reid], Pauline (Coll '48, BA '52) on February 12, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

1950s

Cox, Evelyn (BA '51) on October 28, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

Dewar, Marjorie Ann (BA '59) on February 2, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

Dirks, Cornelius (BA '51) on April 17, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

Dyck, Edmond (BA '53, BPE '54, BED '59) on November 28, 2009 in Winnipeg, MB

Kemp, Arthur F. (BA '51) on August 15, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

Leggitt, John (Coll '58) on February 27, 2011 in Calgary, AB

Harding [Rankin], Margaret (BA '50) on December 12, 2000 in Winnipeg, MB

Heffelfinger [Bacon], Barbara (Coll '54) on March 18, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

Mazur [MacKenzie], Jean (BA '50) date is unknown in Hudson Bay, SK

Pressey, Orest (BA '52) on January 14, 2011 in Portage La Prairie, MB

Thiessen, Peter (BA '55) on November 28, 2009 in Winnipeg, MB

Warren, Gerald (Coll '58) on January 13, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

Woodall, Gordon (BA '52) on February 2, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

1960s

Auld, David J. (Coll '60) on June 13, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

Borody, Melvin (BA '63) on March 13, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

Castling, Leslie (BAH '69) on February 5, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

Dobbs, Bryan (BA '60) on March 18, 2010 in Toronto, ON

Hollis [Hawkins], Laurie (BA '68) on December 15, 2009 in Ottawa, ON

Isfeld, Verna (BA '69) on December 27, 2009 in Winnipeg, MB

Kastrukoff, Lloyd (BA '68) on February 21, 2011 in Grandview, MB.

Law [Turenne], Gisele (BA '69) on February 5, 2010 in Sioux Narrows, ON

Lorimer, Wesley (LLD '69) on March 2, 2010 in Coquitlam, BC

Lund, Anthony (BA '64) on April 13, 2010 in Sioux Narrows, ON

Purvis [Jones], Stephanie (BA '60) on January 22, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

Ray, Dr. Donald (HHD '68) on December 17, 2010 in Toronto, ON
Reece, Philip (BAH '69) on May 1, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Robb, Barrie (Coll '65) on August 24, 2010 in Victoria, BC
Roblin, The Honourable Duff (LLD '68) on May 30, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

1970s

Bard, Laura Enid (BA '73) on June 20, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Bakke, Lt.-Col. Lorne Odin (BSC '73) on July 3, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Barker, Irwin (BA '79) on June 21, 2010 in Toronto, ON
Chizick, Olivia Bonnie Jean (BA '74) on June 15, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Contant, Jeffrey (BA '72) on July 24, 2010 in Burlington, ON
Cumming, Maureen (BSC '72) on August 19, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Desrochers, Denise (BA '72) on June 26, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Forrest, Timothy (BA '75) on December 20, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Glover, Patricia (BA '71) on July 2, 2010 in Langley, BC
Hamilton, George (BA '78) on April 5, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Hanna, Alice (BA '75) on April 15, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Hewitt, Elvin (BSC '71) on March 4, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Johnston, Mark (BSC '78) on October 30, 2009 in Winnipeg, MB
Keillor, Percy (BA '72, BED '78) on January 19, 2011 in Hadashville, MB
Lennerton, Cameron (Coll '70) on December 14, 2010 in Victoria, BC
MacLeod [Luce], Lesley Patricia (BA '70) on May 25, 2011 in Calgary, AB
Michon [Robertson], Kathleen (BA '72) on May 29, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Osipa, Sandra (BA '73) on April 13, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Ouimet, Roland (BA '72) on January 28, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Perriman, Anita (BED '77) on May 13, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Power, Delia (BSC '72) on November 9, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Prayag, Leonard Angus (BA '74) on June 20, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Prentice [Royal], Jacqueline (BA '75) on January 2, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Ruta, Paul (BA '72) on December 17, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Sheard, Kevin (BA '77) on February 2, 2010 in Toronto, ON
Shenback, Mark (BA '71) on December 2, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Smith, Juanita Anne (BA '77) on July 29, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Tachinski, Eileen (BA '79) on April 22, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Tilleman, Rev. Paul (BD '51) on February 9, 2011 in Calgary, AB
Williams, Stewart (BA '76) on July 22, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Young, Donald Douglas (BD '70; BA '70) on August 3, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

1980s

Addaway, Lyle (BED '84) on January 24, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Armstrong, Jean Isabelle (BA '85) on July 13, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Curtis, Ruby (BA '87) on March 14, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Derkson, Frank (Coll '83) on December 8, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

Dern, Karen (BA '88) on November 11, 2009 in Winnipeg, MB
Elkin, Suzanne (Coll '81) on July 17, 2010 in Vancouver, BC
Froese, Kathryn (BA '88) on May 20, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
George, Mary (BA '85) on July 15, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Goatcher, Shirley Claire (BAH '83) on June 17, 2011 in Sidney, BC
Handford, Bruce Wesley (BED '83; BSC '86) on July 15, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Horbas, Meroslaw (BED '81) on February 18, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Kiz, Frederick (BA '81, BED '85) on April 23, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Lauchlan, Kenneth (BA '81) on July 13, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
McCoy-Gelinas, Maureen Anne (BED '83) on June 24, 2011 in Edmonton, AB
Moxam, Winston (BA '87) on April 13, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Shingleton, Lyla Evelyn (BED '83) on July 3, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Stammers, Kenneth (Coll '80, BSC '86) on January 13, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Weiss, Lorne (BA '86) on July 31, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

1990s

Auriti, Gloria Valerie (BA '91) on June 7, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Burns [Gorrie], Enid Margaret (BAH '97) on June 3, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Cooke, Norma (BA '93) on November 14, 2009 in Winnipeg, MB
Hanson, Kristin Dawn (BA '96) on July 4, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Hawley, Steven Craig (BA '91) on June 14, 2011 in Buenos Aires, Argentina
Kalenchuk, Darlene (BA '91) on April 5, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Parkinson, Alexander (BA '94) on May 7, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Ritchie, Walter (BA '91) on January 29, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Sigfusson, Kristjan (Coll '98) on November 28, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Standil, Raymond Michael (BA '94; BED '96) on July 2, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Sybenga, Jeanet (BA '99) on October 14, 2009 in Winnipeg, MB
Turner, Deborah (BED '90) on August 2, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Zier-Vogel, Herb (BA '92) on July 17, 2010 in Clyde River, NU
Zeiss [Eckford], Kelly Ellen (BED '94) on June 3, 2011 in Selkirk, MB

2000s

Dickason, Dr. Olive (DLE '03) on March 12, 2011 in Ottawa, ON
Guest, Heather (BA '07) on February 5, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Van Rooy, Michael (BA '07) on January 27, 2011 in Montreal, QC
Vujevic, Daniel (BSC '04) on March 8, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

Faculty and Staff

Adie, Robert on July 22, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Bosace, John on October 21, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Cote, John on February 22, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Chuckree, Michael on January 9, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Cullen [O'Connell], Kathy on November 13, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Dowsett, James A. on June 11, 2011 in Qualicum Beach, BC
Einarsson, Sigurbjorn (LLD '75) on August 28, 2008 in Reykjavik, IS
Faulkner, Tom on July 13, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Grant, Donald on February 5, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Kobes, Randy on Sept. 19, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
McCourtie, Lena on December 22, 2009 in Winnipeg, MB
Mitchner, Gerald on December 4, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Roblin, The Honourable Duff (LLD '68) on May 30, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Quagleini, Shirley on April 9, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB
Siemens, Lloyd (LLD '56) on March 27, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB
Van Rooy, Michael (BA '07) on January 27, 2011 in Montreal, QC
Wanamaker, Murray on August 24, 2010 in Surrey, BC



Sterling R. Lyon (BA '48) PC, QC, OM

The Honourable Sterling Lyon was the 17th Premier of Manitoba. He passed away in Winnipeg on December 16, 2010. Raised in Portage La Prairie, he attended United College and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree, and a Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of Manitoba. Lyon served as Attorney General for many years under Premier Duff Roblin. Lyon dedicated time and energy to The University of Winnipeg throughout his life, and served on the Board of Regents from 1972 until 1976. He served as Premier of Manitoba from 1977 to 1981, and later, as a judge on the Manitoba Court of Appeal from 1986 to 2002. In 2004 he was presented with The University of Winnipeg Distinguished Alumni Award. He will be remembered for his strong commitment to public service and the people of Manitoba.

IN MEMORY:

DR. RANDY KOBES ASSOCIATE DEAN OF SCIENCE



The late Randy Kobes, Associate Dean of Science, was an outstanding academic, physicist and educator of young people. Dr. Kobes taught physics at The University of Winnipeg for 23 years. He moved into the Office of the Dean of Science in 2007, where he

served as the Associate Dean of Science until his death. Dr. Kobes passed away on September 18, 2010.

He was fully dedicated to public engagement in science and his contributions to community learning at The University of Winnipeg went far beyond the classroom. One of Kobes' many contributions was founding the Manitoba chapter

of Let's Talk Science, which promotes scientific literacy by having UWinnipeg volunteer scientists visit classrooms, present interactive experiments and raise awareness of science. Kobes was a participant and a driving force in many other University and community programs, such as Eco-Kids, CSI (Community School Investigators), and the Wii Chiwaakanak Learning Centre.

In June 2005 Kobes was awarded the Marsha Hanen Award for Excellence in Creating Community Awareness. In October 1999 he won the Erica and Arnold Rogers Award for Excellence in Research and Scholarship. Most recently, he realized a long time ambition of developing a degree program in Science, Environment and Indigenous Knowledge at The University of Winnipeg.

A scholarship has been established in Randy's memory. For more information or to donate, please contact Todd Pennell, Donor Stewardship Officer at The University of Winnipeg Foundation, at t.pennell@uwinnipeg.ca or 204.789.1440.

Correction Notice

In the Spring 2010 Journal, an incorrect In Memoriam notice was published:

Ashdown, James Harry, (The Collegiate '70) on Mar. 2, 2009 in Winnipeg MB.

The subject of the notice, of the same name, was intended to be James Harry Ashdown, who also attended The University of Winnipeg Collegiate (circa 1940) and who served on the Board of Regents and provided charitable support to the University. *The Journal* regrets the error.

Philip Reece: teacher extraordinaire by Thomas S. Axworthy (BA Hons '68)

I met Phil in our first year at United College in Winnipeg, in 1964 where he was typically organizing students to deliver hampers to his father's inner city mission. Phil was always eager to help – whether it was assisting a friend in need, pitching in to reshingle a roof, or being a constant source of advice and encouragement to his children. His virtues of caring, enthusiasm and patience, however, were not limited to his family and friends: They were on display every day of his long teaching career.

A member of the class of 1968, Phil had as infectious a love of history as he did for life. He soon became one of “Doc’s boys,” that group of history majors inspired by the great University of Winnipeg’s History department of that era – Homer “Doc” Rutherford (Chair of the Department), Cornelius Jaenen, Walter Stein, and Victor Batzel. He often told me that the seminar on Franklin Roosevelt and the New Deal with Walter Stein was the most intellectually stimulating course that he had ever taken or delivered himself.

Beyond his academic studies, Phil was one of the most engaged students in our '68 class – a devotee of Tony's Canteen, active in the political clubs, model parliament, and Macalester College Exchange. His popularity soared to even more dizzying heights, when he arrived at the start of one fall term in a new gleaming 1966 British Racing Green Mustang. We all wanted to double date with Phil on the valid assumption that whatever attractions we lacked for the opposite sex, his car would make up the deficit!

Upon graduation, Phil chose education as his career. Above all else, he was a teacher. “Teaching”, writes Jacques Barzun, the noted scholar from Columbia University, “is not a lost art, but the regard for it is a lost tradition.” Public acclaim for the profession of teaching may indeed be lacking, but the thousands of pupils who experienced Phil Reece in their classroom knew that they were with a master.

A good teacher knows that many, perhaps most, of the pupils in the classroom would rather be somewhere else. The first task of any teacher must be to gain, and then hold, a pupil's attention. Phil, firstly, conveyed genuine enthusiasm about the subject (no droning lectures) and then tried to find the key to unlock each student's individual curiosity. To do this, the teacher has to take the time to get to know each student. In addition, Phil was willing to take on school administrators on behalf of individual students when the specific case did not fit the general rule.

Phil taught many subjects – mathematics, guidance, and science – but his passion, as always, was western Canadian history. History is the story of actions, thoughts, context, and chance. Phil encouraged students to research their family history, he took them on tours of the site of Winnipeg's General Strike, and showed them how to use the Hudson Bay Company archives. He was the chair of Manitoba's Heritage Fairs Committee, which urged schools to have students actively research topics of personal interest, rather than merely recite dates. Upon retiring from the classroom, Phil returned to The University of Winnipeg's education faculty as a part-time fellow to organize the Manitoba Teaching Institute and was working with University of Winnipeg historians to develop a national history game at the time of his death.

As a history teacher, Phil always included the excluded. Within his specialty of Western Canadian history, Phil very early in his teaching career began focusing on the history of Canada's First Nations. In the 1980s, when I was Principal Secretary to Prime Minister Trudeau, Phil invited me to speak to his high school class about the repatriated Constitution and aboriginal treaty rights – an unusual request at the time. As head of Manitoba's Teaching Institute, he organized sessions on the terrible impact of residential schools. He often said that one of his most moving experiences was organizing a trip to Batoche, Saskatchewan, where on the hill



Philip Reece

overlooking the battle site, he communed silently with the departed spirits of the defeated Métis people.

Phil died of kidney failure in 2010. To honour his memory and love of The University of Winnipeg, his friends and family have created the Philip Reece Memorial Scholarship to help young Manitobans obtain a university education. Phil Reece was a generous, curious, and caring man. He took those virtues into the classroom with him and thousands of Manitobans are better for it.

Contributions may be made to the Philip Reece Memorial Scholarship in Education and History, 705-491 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R3B 2E4. Please make cheques payable to The University of Winnipeg Foundation.

Dr. Thomas Axworthy (BA Hons. '68), is President and CEO of the Walter and Duncan Gordon Foundation, and Secretary-General of the InterAction Council (of former Heads of State and Government). He received The University of Winnipeg Distinguished Alumni Award in 2003.

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