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NEWSWORTHY

THE COLLEGIATE FINDS A NEW TEMPO

Naniece Ibrahim

Juno award-winning singer-songwriter and humanitarian Chantal Kreviazuk (The Collegiate 90) returned to her alma mater in late March for a launch event establishing The Collegiate as a premier destination for students who are passionate about music and the arts. An innovative suite of programming will begin this fall in partnership with the prestigious Manitoba Conservatory of Music & Arts (MCMA) and the renowned Royal Winnipeg Ballet (RWB). A classically-trained pianist, Kreviazuk (pictured at right) performed at the event, as did Collegiate grad Dominique Reynolds (at left) and students of the RWB (below).

In September, The Collegiate will be offering an instrumental band program (senior and junior bands) and a choral program in partnership with teachers of the MCMA. A jazz dance program will also be introduced, along with established courses in art, drama, extra-curricular dance and creative writing on campus. Courses in other performance arts, such as additional forms of dance and musical theatre, are planned for the future, as are opportunities for Collegiate students to earn undergraduate credit hours in a music course.

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“These new, exciting offerings at our Collegiate are possible thanks to our continued partnerships with the MCM and the RWB, two prestigious arts institutions in our province,” explained Robert Bend, Dean of UWinnipeg Collegiate. “Our new program carves out a new path that will allow further collaborations with other Manitoba arts groups to ensure the best program possible in the performing arts. This, combined with our continued high level of academics, will create a new hybrid of interdisciplinary learning that will make the Collegiate a very exciting place to study.”

SEPTEMBER



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NEWS BRIEFS



01.

SPECIAL CONVOCATION HONOURS THREE EXTRAORDINARY INDIVIDUALS

The University of Winnipeg held a Special Convocation ceremony on March 26, 2014 to honour three extraordinary individuals —singer-songwriter and philanthropist, Chantal Kreviazuk; humanitarian and champion of women’s rights, Dr. Denis Mukwege; and Joseph Stern, whose commitment to justice, development and good governance has made a significant difference to communities both in Canada and abroad.

IMAGE 01.

L-R Dr. Denis Mukwege, Chantal Kreviazuk, Dr. Lloyd Axworthy, Joseph Stern

IMAGE 02.

See write-up at right

IMAGE 03.

Ani DiFranco receiving an Honorary Doctorate from Dr. Lloyd Axworthy



03.

ANI DIFRANCO JOINS UWWINNIPEG COMMUNITY

The University of Winnipeg awarded renowned singer-songwriter and performer Ani DiFranco with an Honorary Doctor of Letters at a Special Convocation on Friday, November 22, 2013. DiFranco helped pioneer the independent music movement and has had a profound impact on the folk music community, including in Winnipeg. Feminist activists recognize her as a cultural icon for her unflinching critiques—expressed in song—of sexism, heterosexism, racism, and class-based discrimination.



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100TH CONVOCATION CELEBRATION

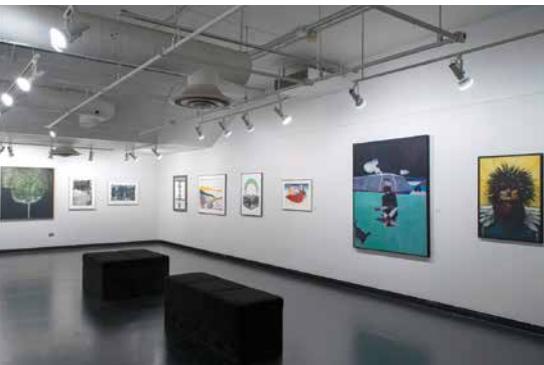
The University of Winnipeg honoured former Chancellors, Presidents and other key individuals who have contributed to the institution’s, 2013 success, at UWinnipeg’s 100th Convocation on Friday, October 18. A special 100th Convocation Award also was given to recognize nine key individuals who have played an integral role in contributing to the viability and growth of UWinnipeg: (pictured above, L–R:) Debra Radi, Dr. Patrick Deane, Dr. Frank Hechter, Richard Graydon, Sherman Kreiner, Carole Wylie, Susan Thompson, Margaret McPherson, and Janet Walker.

NEWSWORTHY

ARTSFEST

Celebrating UWinnipeg's Cultural Heritage

*2014 ArtsFest
celebrations will kick off on*
SEPTEMBER 25, 2014



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On September 27, 2013, UWinnipeg launched its very first ArtsFest. The nine-day celebration was an opportunity to showcase highlights from the University's large visual art collection, archival collections and rare books, ancient artifacts and historic letters, as well as productions from Theatre Projects Manitoba & zone41 Theatre, Virtuosi Concerts, The Downtown Jazz Band, and the UWSA Freestyle Festival.

To kick off festivities, the University invited the community to a Wine & Cheese Art Auction and Live Cabaret Performance co-hosted by Wanda Koop and featuring a cabaret performance by Tony Award winner Len Cariou. Thanks to more than 230 attendees, donors and event sponsors, \$19,200 was raised to support the capital costs associated with preserving UWinnipeg's rich arts and cultural heritage collections.

The University is investigating development plans for a shared space for three of its academic units—Gallery 1C03, the Archives Centre, and the Anthropology Museum—in a project called “Heritage Conservation and Gallery Space”. The proposed new area will provide suitable storage and conservation space for its current collections holdings, while enabling expansion of these collections, and providing greater access to them. Most importantly, it will allow for enhanced programming for students, researchers, and the public and, ultimately, enable the University to preserve Canada's cultural heritage for current and future generations.



03.

IMAGE 01./02.
Boys Club exhibition
in Gallery 1C03
(Photos: Ernest Mayer)

IMAGE 03.
Archives Exhibit

HIGHLIGHTS OF UWINNIPEG'S CULTURAL HERITAGE COLLECTIONS

The University of Winnipeg Archives preserves and makes accessible the public, corporate, and administrative records of the University and the private papers of University faculty, staff, and alumni. These records date back to the 1870s and serve as rich resources for researching the University's history within the greater context of Canada's history.

The Archives Centre also houses the United Church of Canada Archives.

Gallery 1C03 is The University of Winnipeg's campus art gallery. It engages diverse communities through the development and presentation of contemporary and historical art exhibitions and related programming initiatives. The Gallery is responsible for the development, preservation and presentation of the University's art collection. Gallery 1C03 typically highlights work by professional Manitoba and Canadian artists.

Since its inception in 1986, Gallery 1C03 has hosted more than 100 exhibitions and has welcomed over 135,000 visitors.

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The University of Winnipeg Anthropology Museum collections span evidence of the first human and human-like ancestors to the diversity of peoples and cultures in the contemporary world. Incumbent on the Museum is the preservation of the physical and cultural, tangible and intangible heritage in the collections, and the use of these resources in sensitive and responsible manners for the enrichment and enjoyment of students, staff, faculty, and visitors. The collections were established in the 1960s through archaeological and ethnographic research conducted by Dr. Jack Steinbring, the University's first anthropologist.

IMAGE 01.

MDP Student Tatenda Bwawa
& FGP President James Houston

NEWS BRIEFS



CONTINUING CAROL'S LEGACY

On October 16, 2013, UWinnipeg's English Department and Foundation hosted a reading that celebrated works by Carol Shields, for the Friends of Carol Shields Writer-in-Residence. The event was a hit—with radio personality **Bill Richardson** (76 BA, 98 LLD) emceeing and Don Shields, husband of the late Carol Shields, reading the short story *Love so Fleeting, Love so Fine* from Carol's first published collection of short stories. Videos will be posted on the Foundation's website soon.

To join our Friends invite list, please contact
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Since November 2012 the Friends of Carol Shields Writer-in-Residence have generously donated \$19,639.44!



BELANGER HONOURED AT 2013 DUFF ROBBLIN AWARD DINNER

More than 330 guests attended UWinnipeg's 2013 Duff Roblin Award Dinner at the Fort Garry Hotel, which raised more than \$90,000. The UWinnipeg community honoured the legacy of the late Duff Roblin and his contributions to our province, while paying tribute to Ms. Jan Belanger, an individual who epitomizes the qualities for which The Duff Roblin Award is presented annually: exceptional dedication to both education and the enhancement of community. Event proceeds were directed to UWinnipeg's Community Learning Initiatives.



NEW DOWNTOWN HOUSING

A new 14-storey building is set to rise in the prominent arts precinct nestled between the Winnipeg Art Gallery and UWinnipeg's Buhler Centre that will provide students, families, and individuals a range of living options. In partnership with the Government of Manitoba, UWinnipeg is constructing an approximately 112,000-square-foot building that will contain 100 apartments, ranging from one to three bedrooms. What makes the new project unique is the "mixed use" model, which provides units for residents at affordable, market and premium price points. The project is estimated to be completed in 2016.



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SUPPORTING MDP STUDENTS

Investment management firm and UWinnipeg supplier Foyston, Gordon & Payne Inc. (FGP) has donated \$50,000 to significantly strengthen student awards within the University's Master's in Development Practice (MDP) program. This gift represents one of the largest donations since the launch of the MDP program in 2011.

The MDP is an innovative professional degree offered by a network of 24 leading universities around the world. At The University of Winnipeg, the MDP uniquely combines academic and practical aspects of development with a focus on Indigenous Peoples.

NEWSWORTHY



Department of Religion & Culture students travelled to Bordeaux, France in summer 2013 with faculty members, thanks to support from a Future Fund grant.

FUTURE FUND RAISES \$1.2M TO SUPPORT FACULTY PROJECTS

Launched in fall 2012, the goal of the Future Fund is to raise \$15 million in private funds to strengthen academic programs and foster innovation on campus. To date, more than 300 generous donors have contributed over \$1.2 million to the University's campus-wide Future Fund and many other department and faculty-specific Future Funds. The contributions have enabled numerous initiatives, including the new Chair in Co-operative Enterprises, \$625,000 (see page 33); the Sun Life Diabetes Awareness and Education Program, \$100,000; the Dr. Beni Sahai Research Fund, \$100,000; and the Arctic Gateway project, \$75,000.

RECENTLY ANNOUNCED FUTURE FUND GRANTS

On January 29th, 2014, President and Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Lloyd Axworthy announced the latest round of UWinnipeg's campus wide Future Fund grants to support academic programming, faculty research and experiential learning opportunities for students, totaling \$75,000.

FACULTY OF SCIENCE

\$25,000

The Faculty of Science is investing in several projects, including the purchase of a digital polarimeter, used to measure the 'right-handedness' or 'left-handedness' of molecules. This instrument is key to the study of environmental pollutants and will be incorporated into organic chemistry and biochemistry labs.

Future Fund monies also helped the biology department purchase an air conditioner for -80 degree freezers. Some of our valued collections need to stay warm, but others need to be kept very cold. A few lifetimes of research samples from field biologists are preserved in specialty freezers

in the basement of the Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex. Counter-intuitively, these freezers generate a great deal of heat. A sound and economical solution is to activate special air conditioning in the event of building power outages.

The \$25,000 Future Fund grant also helped support Science Rendezvous, a community outreach program held across Canada every May. Science Rendezvous has been well represented at UWinnipeg in recent years as friends, neighbours and families from all over the city come to explore science.

FACULTY OF BUSINESS

\$25,000

The Faculty of Business and Economics is focusing Future Fund grants to strategically support enhanced student experiences, including exchange programs and national and international competitions, which foster experiential learning.

In 2013, the Future Fund supported Manitoba's first Chair in Co-operative Enterprises (see pg 33) and a Bloomberg data terminal for business students and faculty.

FACULTY OF ARTS

\$25,000

The Faculty of Arts received \$25,000 to support research, travel and a number of projects including: a Shanghai travel course; a Greece travel course; the Indigenous Studies Field School; the Endowment of Arts Teaching/Research Award; the Women's and Gender Studies Annual Students' Colloquium; the Centre for Writing Excellence (RHET); Educating Justice, the Criminal Justice Annual Conference; the Prairie Undergraduate Research Conference (Psychology); the Interdisciplinary Linguistics Students' Colloquium; the Political Science Seminar Series; and the Religion and Culture Colloquium Series.

UWinnipeg is also allocating an additional \$26,000 through the Faculty of Arts in privately-raised funds towards the UWinnipeg-CBC Investigative Journalism conference—featuring Carl Bernstein, Peter Mansbridge, and others—taking place on campus June 13-15, 2014.



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Diane Poulin



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Ribbon-cutting on Spence Street
JUNE 17, 2014 AT 10:30AM

Joshua Shyllon and **Firomsa Galgalo** are ten-year-old basketball players who live in Winnipeg's inner city and would love to be pro athletes one day. They can't wait to get home from school and don their Inner-City Wesmen jerseys and hit the court. Many children like Joshua and Firomsa will now have access to the \$40-million UNITED Health & RecPlex to shoot hoops, kick soccer balls and dance in UWinnipeg's Pow Wow Club.

The RecPlex is the most comprehensive athletic, health, wellness and healing facility ever built in the heart of Winnipeg's inner city. It provides unparalleled recreational and health opportunities for the community, and supports enhanced student sports programs and academic research. It adds to the revitalization of Winnipeg's downtown and West End neighbourhoods, helps alleviate the chronic shortage of safe and affordable activity space for inner-city youth and residents, and provides new health services in the community. It also means up to 500 neighbourhood children and youth have a safe, state-of-the-art place to learn, play and belong.

"This creates a recreation and wellness destination for the inner city, with a unique Community Charter that ensures access for community residents," said **Dr. Lloyd Axworthy** (BA 61, LLD 98), President and Vice-Chancellor, UWinnipeg. "Just as importantly, our students and faculty gain



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an important new resource on campus, and through collaborative community programs, increased access to hands-on academic research and practicum experiences. This facility inspires new possibilities and partnerships."

Programming within the facility is specifically designed to meet the needs of multiple groups: neighbourhood youth and residents, amateur sports organizations requiring space, Wesmen athletes, and UWinnipeg students who want to have fun and stay in shape. Construction of the new facility is possible because of generous government grants, with the Province of Manitoba contributing \$15 million and the City of Winnipeg committing \$2 million to the project. A UWSA-sponsored student referendum approved a student athletic fee of \$30 per term to support construction of the new facility. Great-West Life has donated \$500,000 to create the Great-West Life Healthy Campus and Research Centre inside the complex. The Thomas Sill Foundation donated \$200,000 to create the Thomas Sill Community Multi-Purpose Room, and Wawanesa Insurance donated \$50,000 to support the facility. An investment of \$230,000 in energy efficient features by Manitoba Hydro's Power Smart program is estimated to have the equivalent positive environmental impact of taking 119 cars off the road for one year, and will allow UWinnipeg to save \$25,000 in annual energy costs. The UNITED Health & RecPlex is also supported by a mix of user leases and parking fees.

COACHING KIDS FOR FUN



UWinnipeg alumnus Neil Shah coaching Inner City Wesmen basketball players

Neil Shah (BA Hons. 08) loves coaching basketball. A philosophy graduate of The University of Winnipeg, Neil currently works at the Manitoba Theatre for Young People. On Tuesday evenings, he can be found shooting hoops, giving direction and hanging out with ten-year old Inner-City Junior Wesmen players at the Magnus Eliason Recreation Centre on Langside Street.

"I have been doing this for four years now; the kids really reinvigorate me," says Neil. "I love it. I feel my week is not complete if I don't get to coach these kids."

Neil says inner-city youth need a productive outlet where they can have fun and grow up with the same opportunities as kids in other parts of the city: "Playing sports keeps them away from dangers out there."

He feels the addition of the UNITED Health & RecPlex in the neighbourhood will add new life to inner city sports and recreation programs. "It is really excellent that there will be consistent community time, it is a huge benefit," Neil says. "We have lots of good programs but not always the space. This large facility will help us for sure."

IMAGE 01.

Rhonda James at UWinnipeg's Wii Chiiwakanak Pow Wow Club

IMAGE 02.

Joshua Shyllon & Firomsa Galgalo, inner-city Wesmen

“This is a unique teaching, training, recreational, and multi-purpose facility which benefits students, athletes, staff, and the community.”

Dr. David Fitzpatrick, Dean of Kinesiology



“The RecPlex represents a new opportunity for students to access high-quality sport facilities on campus,” said **Rorie Mcleod Arnold**, President of the University of Winnipeg Students’ Association. “This is very much in keeping with the emphasis on health and wellness, and accessible opportunities for physical exercise. We applaud the initiative that brought this facility into being.”

The new RecPlex will accommodate a 55 by 90-metre soccer field, which meets minimum FIFA (Fédération Internationale de Football Association; in English—International Federation of Association Football) standard. It provides new indoor training and practice space for all Wesmen teams, in particular the soccer teams. The Wesmen Soccer teams play in the Canada West conference, one of four conferences within Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS).

For student athlete **Krzysztof Szulc**, who plays centre midfield on the Wesmen Men’s Soccer team, it means new space to practice. “We are all excited to have such a first-class facility on campus. It means we can train more regularly. It can be hard to get field time and we’ve had to travel to find space, now we’ll have a soccer-specific venue right there which is great for the team.”

“This is a unique teaching, training, recreational, and multi-purpose facility which benefits students, athletes, staff, and the community,” said **Dr. David Fitzpatrick**, Dean of Kinesiology. “It contains three cross fields, a gymnasium, multi-purpose room, and a 60-metre sprint track for use in student intramural programs and by university and community-based teams. UWinnipeg students who are studying in Kinesiology, Education, and the Collegiate will benefit from the increased number of activity sites. It also creates new research, teaching and student practicum and employment opportunities for all faculties.”

The field, while lined for soccer, will accommodate a number of other field sports such as football, ultimate, rugby, and lacrosse. Wesmen baseball players will also acquire new indoor training space within the RecPlex, including retractable batting cages. In April 2014, Wesmen Baseball was accepted in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA).

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Until now, a centrally-located soccer and cross field facility available for rent to numerous Winnipeg sports groups has simply not existed.

“There is strong demand for this kind of facility. We are a winter city, with lots of snow that can keep outdoor fields soggy until May,” says **Devon Kashton**, President of the Winnipeg Soccer Federation.

**UWinnipeg relies on donors to operate the Eco-U Summer Camp and gratefully acknowledges the financial support of the Manitoba Government, Centre for Aboriginal Human Resource Development, Winnipeg Jets True North Foundation, City of Winnipeg, Marjorie*



“The reality is we need space for continual recreational play for our youth teams, men’s league, women’s league and co-ed league. The RecPlex is the new jewel of the city. Lots of thought has gone into it and its amenities.”

UWinnipeg currently supports neighbourhood athletics under the Inner-City Junior Wesmen umbrella which includes boys’ and girls’ basketball, soccer and wrestling teams. With new space in the RecPlex available, the goal is to expand the inner-city program to include baseball, golf and flag football through partnerships with the community and support from private donors. The RecPlex will also become the new home for UWinnipeg’s neighbourhood Pow Wow Club and Eco-Kids Summer Camp* which attracts 1,200 inner-city children annually. The popular day camp allows children to participate in engaging activities with a focus on Indigenous science.

and Morley Blankstein, Winnipeg Aboriginal Sport Achievement Centre, Actua Foundation, and Manitoba Public Insurance—in addition to generous support from the Winnipeg Foundation and the Moffat Family Fund, which helped launch the camp in 2007.



Over the course of several years, following town hall meetings and in collaboration with community partners, a unique Community Charter was developed with a broad coalition of 18 youth-serving agencies and community stakeholders. The Community Charter Principles—which include openness, inclusion,

“This facility is the first of its kind in Winnipeg and it is exciting to be part of this, and to create awesome programs where families want to go.”

Chino Argueta



accessibility, accountability, respect, sustainability, health, wellness and healing—was ratified by UWinnipeg’s Board of Regents on June 18, 2012.

Chino Argueta lives in the West End and has been deeply involved with the Spence Neighbourhood Association. Now he is director of the Youth Agencies Alliance and is a member of UWinnipeg’s Community Advisory Committee. “Kids need a safe and healthy environment where they can just be kids,” says Argueta. “This facility is the first of its kind in Winnipeg and it is exciting to be part of this, and to create awesome programs where families want to go.”

HEALTH & WELLNESS

UWinnipeg’s Faculty of Kinesiology is developing new academic and research programs including the Heads Up Concussion Institute and the Sun Life Diabetes Awareness and Education Program, located inside the newly created Great-West Life Healthy Campus and Research Centre. A strong focus is on illness and injury prevention, wellness promotion and health care for students and youth. This coincides with UWinnipeg’s multidisciplinary Healthy Campus Initiative; the new facility also allows for increased community-based research with student practicums, and employment opportunities for students.

The RecPlex is connected by skywalk to UWinnipeg’s renovated Duckworth Centre. It offers an Athletic Therapy Clinic with athletic therapy, massage therapy and medical practitioners; a multi-purpose wellness space; the Bill Wedlake Fitness Centre; and the Dr. David F. Anderson Gymnasium.

The University of Winnipeg Community Renewal Corporation spearheaded development of the project; the architectural firm is Number TEN Architectural Group; the project manager is Resolve Group Inc.; construction is by PCL Construction Canada Inc; and tree

salvaging and recycling is by Wood Anchor. The facility is energy efficient with a targeted Gold LEED designation. Notable energy efficient features of The UNITED Health & RecPlex include: high levels of roof, wall, and floor insulation; a heat recovery ventilation system; high efficiency, condensing boilers; energy-efficient fluorescent and LED light fixtures with occupancy controls; low-flow plumbing fixtures; and a direct digital control system to manage the building’s systems. Energy consumption will be visible to visitors through an electronic screen erected within the complex.



A RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY TAKES PLACE ON JUNE 17 AND THE FACILITY WILL BE OPEN FOR STUDENT AND COMMUNITY USE IN SEPTEMBER 2014.

COMMUNITY

UNITED HEALTH & RECPLEX KEY MILESTONES

SPRING 2009

Dr. Lloyd Axworthy creates a President's Task Force on Athletics and Academics, chaired by Dr. David Fitzpatrick. A key recommendation is construction of a new recreation and wellness facility to benefit the inner city and UWinnipeg students, and to enhance faculty research.

OCTOBER 8, 2010

The City of Winnipeg commits \$2 million in support.

JUNE 30, 2011

The Province of Manitoba announces a \$15 million capital investment.

SEPTEMBER 27, 2011

The University of Winnipeg Board of Regents authorizes architectural drawings of a new mixed-use athletics complex and wellness centre on Spence Street.

FALL 2011

A UWSA—sponsored student referendum approves a student athletic fee of \$30 per term to support construction of the new facility.

FEBRUARY 29, 2012

UWinnipeg's Board of Regents approves construction of a new multi-purpose recreation and wellness complex.

FEBRUARY 2012

UWinnipeg's Wesmen men's and women's soccer teams are accepted into the Canadian Interuniversity Sport—Canada West Conference, effective spring 2012.

JUNE 2012

UWinnipeg hosts community forums to develop a charter to ensure community access and programming within the new facility. A unique coalition of 18 youth-serving agencies—the Youth Agencies Alliance—offers input and advice as the new RecPlex takes shape.

JUNE 18, 2012

UWinnipeg's Board of Regents ratifies the Community Charter.

JUNE 2012

UWinnipeg is supporting numerous youth community sports teams under the Inner-City Junior Wesmen umbrella in partnership with community organizations and private donors, including a new inner city summer soccer league—a first for children in central Winnipeg.

JULY 1, 2012

UWinnipeg's new Faculty of Kinesiology is created, with Dr. David Fitzpatrick founding. The faculty integrates the Department of Kinesiology and Applied Health, and the Department of Athletics.

AUGUST 13, 2012

Demolition work on the RecPlex begins with removal of McNamara Hall on Spence Street.

SEPTEMBER 6, 2012

The University of Winnipeg, the Province of Manitoba, the City of Winnipeg and UWSA representatives, surrounded by community partners, officially "break ground" on Spence Street.

JULY 8, 2013

The Thomas Sill Foundation donates \$200,000 to create a community multi-purpose room within the RecPlex—The Thomas Sill Community Multi-Purpose Room—ensuring dedicated space for the health, wellness, recreation and education of inner-city youth and residents.

APRIL 15, 2014

Wesmen Baseball accepted in National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA)

APRIL 24, 2014

Wawanesa Insurance donates \$50,000 to support creation of the RecPlex

MAY 2014

Great-West Life donates \$500,000 to create the Great-West Life Healthy Campus and Research Centre.

JUNE 17, 2014

A ribbon-cutting ceremony officially launches the UNITED Health & RecPlex.

SEPTEMBER 2014

UNITED Health & RecPlex opens for student and community use.

WESMEN BLEACHER SEAT SALE

We invite you to take your place as part of UWinnipeg's history and its future by naming a seat in the Dr. David F. Anderson Gymnasium at the Duckworth Centre. The Wesmen Bleacher Seat Sale gives alumni, faculty, staff, and friends of UWinnipeg an affordable and meaningful way to contribute to the Wesmen legacy.

Each seat will feature a permanent donor plaque. You can engrave your name or the name of a friend or loved one whom you would like to honour or memorialize. Plaques can also be a memorable way to recognize a group or class, or commemorate a special achievement or significant event.

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Department of Modern Languages & Literatures
(L–R): Adina Balint-Babos, Sante Viselli, Rosaria Moretti Lawrie, Anne Rusnak, Kristin Lovrien-Meuwese (behind),
Linda Dietrick, Monica Ruiz (behind), Claudia Labrosse, Mary LeMaître (behind), Jorge Machin-Lucas

More than 300 members of UWinnipeg’s campus community participated in the 2013 Campus Campaign, which ended December 31, 2013. These gifts are particularly important because alumni, friends, corporations and foundations take note when faculty and staff—those who know UWinnipeg best—support its operations with their own hard-earned money.

Counting \$374,351 in new gifts and pledges plus \$335,639 in balances on pre-existing pledges, a whopping \$709,990 was raised by the campaign!

Close to 50% of new gifts and pledges were directed to student scholarships and bursaries, while 17% was directed to various Department Future Funds; another 33% went to support other research projects, programs and capital needs, as well as UWinnipeg’s library funds.

“I credit the success of the 2013 Campus Campaign to our many volunteers, in particular our ‘superfantastic’ co-chairs: Orval Voakes, Grace O’Farrell, and Neil Besner, who signed more than 1,000 letters each and made many personal asks,”

said Brian Daly, Foundation President and CEO. “Over 30 faculty, staff and retiree members volunteered to provide advice, make phone calls and personally ask their peers to make a gift. We are grateful for their support and the generosity of our campus donors.”

Some of the highest department participation rates (over 50%) in 2013 came from Modern Languages and Literatures, Geography, and Athletics.

The 2014 Campus Campaign will focus on those who have never made a gift, have completed pledges, or have not yet made their annual 2014 gift. Currently 100% of Women’s and Gender Studies regular academic staff are already contributing to the 2014 campaign.

With a continued focus on program and research needs, over 500 named scholarship and bursary endowment funds and the Wesmen Bleacher Seat Sale, the 2014 campaign provides many options for donors to direct their gifts in very specific, meaningful ways.

COMMUNITY

UWINNIPEG ALUMNUS GIVES BACK

Dr. Robert M. Kozminski's Family Bursary to Pass \$1 Million

"I love seeing each new graduating class full of hope and aspiration. I believe we're changing the world one life at a time."

Dr. Robert M. Kozminski



(L-R): Back: Brian Daly, Megan Kozminski, Lloyd Axworthy, Matthew Kozminski
Front: Deirdre Kozminski, Jenna Baker, Carter Kozminski, Bob Kozminski, Kelly Kozminski

Dr. Robert (Bob) M. Kozminski believes everyone should have the opportunity to attend university, whatever their financial situation.

"I didn't come from a wealthy family, so to attend university I had to borrow as much as I could. As a family, we believe anyone with the desire and ability should go to university without being hampered by loans and debt."

This is what motivated the creation of the R.M. (Bob) Kozminski Family Bursary in 2005, supporting students engaged in the community and public affairs.

"We've seen the impact financial assistance can have for a student. Last year we met one of our recipients, a young mother who was proud of the example we were helping her set for her children—my wife, daughter, son, daughter-in-law and grandson were all there—not a dry eye among us."

In 2013, Bob made a bequest of life insurance to the family bursary. He believes it will be well over a million dollars by the time he passes. This will change countless lives, just as his was changed while at UWinnipeg, thanks to a dedicated professor and a culture of open debate.

Graduating in '67, Bob went from failing his first year of university to studying law and achieving remarkable success in business before becoming a philanthropic visionary.

"I was immature, only interested in sports, but my time at the University forced me to grow up. I was a committed conservative with President Axworthy for a professor, and his brother Tom a classmate. Our lively debates led me to law which became a terrific degree for business."

As Vice-Chair and a founding member of The University of Winnipeg Foundation's Board of Directors, Bob now works alongside Dr. Axworthy, making post-secondary education accessible, while honouring a great Manitoban.

"The Duff Roblin Award was Lloyd's idea. Duff was my political hero and I knew from conversations with him that he was proud of the reforms he'd brought to education in Manitoba."

As Chair of the Duff Roblin Award Dinner planning committee, Bob has raised more than \$1 million for the Duff Roblin Graduate Fellowship, including a \$60,000 gift from his family.

"My involvement with this institution is very gratifying. I love seeing each new graduating class full of hope and aspiration. I believe we're changing the world one life at a time."

Bob had the privilege of addressing one such class in 2012 when he received an Honorary Doctorate from UWinnipeg.

"Receiving an HD was very meaningful to me. I was the first in my family to earn a university degree, never mind a law degree, and to be honoured in this way—I was very honoured, especially to give the address—what a thrill. As a student, I didn't appreciate the work and energy that goes into creating a well-managed, and well-financed institution, with motivated, engaging professors. Now I realize it takes a tremendous amount of work and it's time for me to give back, to ensure it's the same inspiring place it was when I attended."

HELPING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS BELONG

The University of Winnipeg is home to more than 500 international students. It's a diverse population, coming from over 68 countries. Students come to get a reputable education from an institution known for its small classes and close-knit atmosphere. To ensure a smooth transition to Canada, the University's International Student Services (ISS) has established a comprehensive series of programs that help new students adjust to life at UWinnipeg, including orientation, events, tutoring, and assistance with immigration forms.

ISS Coordinator Iresha Hewa Wellalage and her team seek to help students feel comfortable from day one in Winnipeg. One of the ways they achieve this is via the Airport Reception Service, through which staff meet students upon arrival at James Armstrong Richardson International Airport. "We welcome them, and bring them back to their residences to help them get settled," she explains.

The list of services that Hewa Wellalage coordinates is extensive, and includes job-searching, health insurance, and work permits. During orientation week, international students are introduced to academic advisors, briefed on academic conduct, and given tours of the University and various student service areas.

Ultimately, it is UWinnipeg's tightly knit community atmosphere that helps international students establish themselves. "They know their professors," Wellalage emphasizes. "A lot of them find they end up knowing the faculty, the chair of their department. It really helps them build connections."



ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM DRIVING GROWTH

Global demand for English language skills and access to high quality Canadian universities are driving the growth of UWinnipeg's English Language Program (ELP)—which delivered programs to 535 international students during the 2013-14 academic year (up 30% from 2012-13).

The ELP forges partnerships with universities and high schools from countries around the world, including China, Mexico, Japan, Korea and Brazil. Students come to take part in UWinnipeg's high quality ELP offerings, which include a short-term four-week and a 14-week Academic option (available in three streams: Foundations English, General English, and Academic English).

There is also the Canadian Work Experience (CWE) program that gives students four weeks of language instruction plus a three-week volunteer placement. It has enabled international students to gain valuable practical experience through volunteering in places like museums, art galleries, Winnipeg BIZ organizations, The University of Winnipeg, and at Winnipeg Harvest, where they can practice conversational skills in the workplace.

That opportunity brought Jocelyn Daejeon Lee to Winnipeg from a partner university in South Korea this year. A Canadian Work Experience student, Lee says she enjoyed her language classes and appreciated the care that the ELP took to ensure its students' comfort. CWE students attend classes in the morning, and participate in informal workshops during the afternoon.

"It is set up so that afternoon classes provide opportunities for students to use the language skills acquired in their morning classes in a more practical context," explains ELP Executive Director Nigel Dixon.

uwinnipeg.ca/elp



Sammy Archille & Jean Widny Pervil, international students from Haiti 2010-2013

COMMUNITY

SPOTLIGHT: COMMUNITY LEARNING

*Proud to be part of a vibrant inner-city community,
The University of Winnipeg is boundless in its efforts to advance
education in every setting.*

Megan Benedictson

Right at home in a boardroom at the heart of UWinnipeg's campus, a group of women and girls gather in a sharing circle to reflect on what they have learned together and the difference it is making in their lives. Dinner is nibbled on as children, parents, grandparents, and the group's young leaders take turns giving personal updates.

***"The more kids know
about their identity, the more
successful they're going to be."***

*Sharon Redsky, Manager,
Wii Chiiwaakanak Learning Centre*

When attention turns to her, 17-year-old Rose Nigidja discusses how she's managed to stop arriving late to school this year, an old habit driven by a desire to avoid gossiping classmates. The leader asks what has changed. "I just built up self-confidence, I guess," Nigidja answers. Later on, she explains that meeting with this group—the Sacred Seven Healthy Relationship Program—has helped. "Because I know I'm trying to do my best with stuff in my life, and I feel like they're supporting me."

It is precisely this kind of positive transformation UWinnipeg hopes to help people achieve through its community learning initiatives. The Sacred Seven Program is just one of many life-changing activities run through the Wii Chiiwaakanak Learning Centre located on Ellice Avenue, an inclusive environment developed as a bridge to help the University respond to the educational needs of its neighbours. Courses are offered on topics that range from introductory computers to Cree language for families. The Centre's Manager, Sharon Redsky, says this type of learning is a great complement to the traditional academic programs usually associated with universities: "A lot of the programming that we are able to provide families is really touching who they are."

Participants in the Sacred Seven Program soak in Indigenous cultural teachings and practice hoop dancing. As the program ends for the night, a circle of chairs is formed in the Bulman Centre for Wii Chiiwaakanak's weekly family-oriented Pow Wow Club. Nine-year-old Danielle Sinclair says her involvement in the Sacred Seven Program and the Pow Wow Club has helped her overcome shyness. Her mother, Stephanie Sinclair, has seen the difference: "I think her ability to deal with things, just everyday challenges or frustrations, is better. And

her pride in her culture, and knowing more information about her culture, is really strengthened in the program."

Redsky says there is research demonstrating "the more kids know about their identity, the more successful they're going to be." But Wii Chiiwaakanak also bridges community members to success in another big way, by inviting them on campus to explore academic faculties and programs they may not otherwise be exposed to. "They get to think about being a scientist, and for me that's what always touches my heart," says Redsky.

The UWinnipeg Model School in Wesley Hall is also opening the eyes of young people to what they can achieve through education. The 40-student program operating within The University of Winnipeg Collegiate accepts referrals for students with a focus on people who are underrepresented in post-secondary, including newcomers to Canada, Indigenous students, and teens living below the poverty line.

Model School Director Gerri Crilly says that thanks to fundraising, the students also receive a full tuition scholarship for Collegiate courses, use of a Macbook Pro laptop, bus passes, and snacks made available through a nutrition program. She says the wraparound, flexible support



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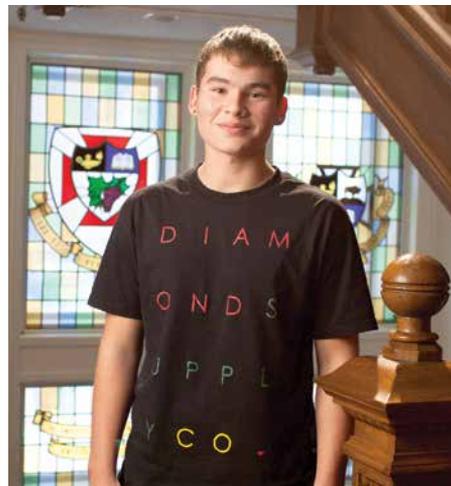
they receive ensures they finish high school, but always with an eye on the future. “Over the four years we develop really close relationships with the students, and are able to help them find employment, find something that they want to study, something that they are interested in pursuing going forward,” she says.

Ninth-grade student Sidney Leggett says in her first year she is feeling much more challenged than she used to be: “At my old school, I would sit in class and not have to do work, because by March I’d finished the whole year of school, so I was practically already on summer break.” Leggett says she’s grateful for the opportunity to attend the Model School, where she feels she can learn without judgment and with extra attention provided by small class sizes.

There are also more opportunities for life-enriching experiences. Originally referred to the Model School through his community basketball team, UWinnipeg Collegiate Varsity player and grade 11 student Chace Moroz has developed his leadership skills by travelling to two Manitoba First Nations to help facilitate Wesmen basketball clinics. He says before coming to the Model School, his only educational goal was to graduate high school—a milestone reached by few in

his family. Of his experience at the Model School so far, Moroz says “it gives me hope for more success.” He now has an eye on earning a BA in criminal justice, and a career as a police officer.

It is the type of change that Crilly says the Model School was designed to achieve. “That’s what I love the best—all of the kids who didn’t realize they actually have a say in their life, and actually have control over their destiny. They learn they can be empowered through knowledge and through learning and through hard work, to actually have doors open to them.”



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MORE COMMUNITY SUPPORT

THE UWINNIPEG GLOBAL WELCOME CENTRE FOR IMMIGRANTS & REFUGEES

A non-profit organization supporting the pursuit of post-secondary education for immigrants and refugees, while helping them overcome language barriers to learning.

THE UWINNIPEG INNOVATIVE LEARNING CENTRE

Focused on closing the graduation gap, Innovative Learning Centre programs engage youth to stay in school, with the hope each child will see himself or herself as a high school graduate and then a university student. Programs include the Eco-U Summer Camp, and the Shine On initiative.

THE UWINNIPEG OPPORTUNITY FUND

The fund’s fast-track bursaries, tuition credits and tuition waivers help ensure The University of Winnipeg is accessible for Indigenous students, new Canadians and refugees, and students from inner-city neighbourhoods. As of early 2014, more than \$3 million has been raised and 1,443 fast track bursaries awarded.

INNER-CITY JUNIOR WESMEN

Under The University of Winnipeg Wesmen umbrella, the program attracts 500 neighbourhood children to participate on 13 different sports teams. With the opening of the UNITED Health & RecPlex, UWinnipeg is poised to become the city’s home of inner-city athletics.

IMAGE 01.

Ninth-grade Model School student, Sidney Leggett

IMAGE 02.

UWinnipeg Collegiate Varsity player and Eleventh-grade student, Chace Moroz

LEGACY

*President &
Vice-Chancellor*



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**THE LEGACY
OF DR. LLOYD
AXWORTHY**

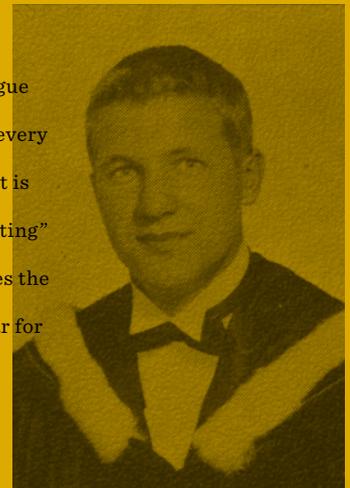
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LLOYD AXWORTHY: Intelligent, intellectual (he thinks) and unintelligible (we think), Lloyd will argue uninhibitedly on any topic. He has participated in every facet of College Life (except the Co-ed council), yet is still a scholarship winner every year. The “hard hitting” Premier of Tuxis Parliament plans to give the States the benefit of his wisdom, for he leaves United this year for post-graduate studies

—United College yearbook, 1961



*By a unanimous decision at its December 15, 2003 meeting, The University of Winnipeg Board of Regents appointed **Dr. Lloyd Axworthy** (BA 61, LL.D 98) as President of The University of Winnipeg, with the job beginning in May 2004.*

Axworthy has a longstanding history with UWinnipeg. He graduated in 1961 with a BA from United College (now The University of Winnipeg), and received an MA and PhD from Princeton in 1963 and 1972 respectively.

From 1965 to 1967, Axworthy was assistant professor of political studies at The University of Winnipeg. From 1969 to 1979, he held the post of director of the University's Institute for Urban Studies.

In 1973, Axworthy entered provincial politics, serving six years in the Manitoba Legislative Assembly. The next 21 years were spent as a member of the federal parliament. He has held several Cabinet positions: Minister of Employment and Immigration, Minister Responsible for the Status of Women, Minister of Transport, Minister of Human Resources Development, Minister of Western Economic Diversification, and most notably, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

His work for the advancement of the human security concept, in particular, the Ottawa Treaty—a landmark global treaty banning anti-personnel landmines—garnered international attention and a

nomination for the Nobel Peace Prize. For his efforts in establishing the International Criminal Court and the Protocol on child soldiers, he received the North-South Institute's Peace Award.

*A member of the Order of Manitoba and the Order of Canada, Dr. Axworthy is a recipient of an Honorary Doctorate from The University of Winnipeg. He has received honorary doctorates from 12 universities. His book *Navigating a New World—Canada's Global Future*, Knopf Canada, was published in the fall of 2003.*

During his decade as President and Vice-Chancellor at UWinnipeg, Axworthy and his wife Denise Ommanney have been tireless supporters of Community Learning initiatives, aimed at dissolving the boundary between campus and the community and removing financial barriers so all youth can attain a post-secondary education. In 2010, Axworthy was made an honorary member of the Sagkeeng First Nation in Manitoba and given an Ojibwe name—Waapshki Pinaysee Inini, which translates to White Thunderbird Man. In 2012 he was granted the title of Pipe Carrier by local First Nations for his commitment to creating an inclusive learning experience that reflects Indigenous cultures and traditions at UWinnipeg.

Axworthy completes his second term as President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Winnipeg on June 27, 2014.

LEGACY

A DECADE OF TRANSFORMATION —INSIDE & OUT

*The Legacy of Dr. Lloyd Axworthy,
President and Vice-Chancellor, 2004-2014*

Diane Poulin



Kevin Freedman, JoJo Ngongo,
Dr. Lloyd Axworthy, Kuet Kuet,
Grace O'Farrell, Kevin Tom
(Photo: David Lipnowski)

When he stepped into his office on May 3, 2004 to assume the role of President and Vice-Chancellor at The University of Winnipeg, Dr. Lloyd Axworthy (BA 61, LL.D 98) was back on familiar ground. Forty-three years earlier, he was a student walking these halls in what was then United College. Keenly interested in history, english, and political science, he planned to become a lawyer. Instead he left Winnipeg to earn a PhD at Princeton when he received the Woodrow Wilson Scholarship, launching a career that would begin in academia, span 27 years in politics, take him around the globe as Canada's Foreign Affairs Minister, and then lead him back up the steps of historic Wesley Hall.



Bonnie and John Buhler, Dr. Lloyd Axworthy, and Anthony Kiendl (Plug In ICA)

“Axworthy’s contributions to UWinnipeg can be summed up in one word:

TRANSFORMATIVE”

*Brenda Keyser, Chair,
UWinnipeg Board of Regents*



According to **Brenda Keyser** (BA Hons. 74), Chair of UWinnipeg’s Board of Regents, Axworthy’s contributions to UWinnipeg can be summed up in one word: transformative. “With his business acumen he has been instrumental in the construction of new physical structures. He has pushed the University to diversify and enter into new financial relationships to meet the growing need to become more self-sufficient,” she said. “And perhaps his biggest contribution has been his committed and ongoing attempts to engage members of the downtown and inner-city communities. He has been a transformative force in reaching out to minorities, such as the Aboriginal community, that have traditionally felt excluded. Axworthy has transformed UWinnipeg, inside and out.”

Ten years ago, UWinnipeg was a small, primarily liberal arts- and science-focused university ringed by fences. Today it has an outward-looking, global ethos and renewed

purpose with a new Western campus; six faculties, including a thriving new Faculty of Business and Economics, and a recently created and energized Faculty of Kinesiology housed within a state-of-the-art block-long recreation and wellness complex; graduate programs offering a full menu of Masters degrees in science, arts and theology; and a student body that has doubled to 10,000 full- and part-time students. Thousands more attend the English Language Program, Collegiate high school and continuing education programs on campus.

COMMUNITY AND CAMPUS RENEWAL

Since launching the most ambitious capital campaign in its history in 2007, UWinnipeg has attracted an unprecedented \$217 million in new investment for facilities in Winnipeg’s downtown and West End neighbourhoods, and has become a primary anchor in downtown renewal. The campus fences are gone, replaced by more community green spaces and a pedestrian mall along Spence Street, creating more gathering places for students and neighbourhood residents.

Bob Kozminski (BA 67, LLD 12) stood shoulder to shoulder with Axworthy as they launched the World of Opportunity Capital Campaign on November 27, 2007.

“Our original goal was modest—\$40 million—and we kept revising that upwards to eventually \$135 million as we exceeded our expectations,” says Kozminski. “Axworthy was one of the best pitchers I have encountered. He had the vision to transform Portage Avenue West with the Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex, UWSA daycare and the new McFeetors Hall: Great-West Life Student

JUNE 6, 2004

Dr. Lloyd Axworthy, becomes The University of Winnipeg’s sixth President and Vice-Chancellor

OCTOBER 2004

Carol Shields Writer-in-Residence program established

DECEMBER 9, 2004

The University of Winnipeg announces the establishment of the new Global College

NOVEMBER 2005

Wii Chiiwaakanak Learning Centre opens

DECEMBER 9, 2005

UWinnipeg Collegiate announces official partnership with Royal Winnipeg Ballet School

NOVEMBER 16, 2006

Largest Private Gift In UWinnipeg History: \$3.5 Million to create Richardson College for the Environment

Residence. That vision was achieved and the perception of UWinnipeg has dramatically changed. It is now accepted as a top university with first-class facilities and exceptionally caring programs. It's integrated into the core of the city."

“Under Axworthy’s leadership, The University of Winnipeg is considered by many as one of downtown’s jewels.”

Stefano Grande, Executive Director of the Downtown Winnipeg BIZ

One of the most significant shifts, according to **Jan Belanger**, is the way UWinnipeg has approached development: not as an insulated campus, but as a partner with the surrounding neighbourhood. Via the unique Community Renewal Corporation it created in 2005 (with a board of directors that includes community stakeholders) the University has engaged the neighbourhood in identifying what facilities and services are needed.

Belanger is Assistant Vice-President of Community Affairs for Great-West Life, and is a board member with the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce and UWinnipeg’s Community Renewal Corporation. “UWinnipeg brings together a diversity of views, from the corporate and non-profit sectors to students and community leaders in an atmosphere of possibility and innovation,” says Belanger. “In my view this has laid the foundation for renewal that goes beyond the campus and plants deep roots in the broader community.”

The final touches are being added to the most significant and tangible community-campus facility: the new \$40-million dollar UNITED Health & RecPlex on Spence Street—the largest and most comprehensive athletic and wellness facility ever built in Winnipeg’s inner city. The complex is designed to provide unparalleled recreational and health opportunities for the community, along with enhanced student sports programs and relevant academic research in areas such as diabetes and concussions. (see page 10)



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The RecPlex joins the cluster of new UWinnipeg facilities which also includes redevelopment of the AnX and a new student and community housing complex that is now in the works. UWinnipeg Commons, an apartment complex south of Buhler Centre, will be a 14-story mixed-use building accommodating 102 apartments for both students and community residents. (see page 7)

“Under Axworthy’s leadership, The University of Winnipeg is considered by many as one of downtown’s jewels, heralded as a great urban experience for local and international students,” says **Stefano Grande** (B.Sc. 89), Executive Director of the Downtown Winnipeg BIZ and an urban planner who obtained his Bachelor of Science in Geography & Environmental Studies from UWinnipeg. “The University has demonstrated unwavering support in the revitalization of downtown, attracting thousands of students to learn and to live on campus and in the downtown area. Axworthy has enhanced services, amenities, and accessibility for students and the broader community—creating significant pedestrian traffic downtown, celebrating diversity, and nurturing an accessible community that is safe and sustainable.”



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FEBRUARY 19, 2007

Chantal Kreviazuk helps launch the Opportunity Fund

\$3 Million gift creates CanWest Centre (now, the Asper Centre) for Theatre and Film

HOMECOMING 2007

The University of Winnipeg celebrates 40 years as a University

SEPTEMBER 14, 2007

Convocation Hall reopened and rededicated after massive restoration

NOVEMBER 27, 2007

Public launch of the University’s largest-ever capital campaign

FEBRUARY 12, 2008

Bill Wedlake Fitness Centre Grand Opening

SEPTEMBER 2008

Classes start at new Faculty of Business & Economics

ACADEMIC GROWTH

UWinnipeg continues to attract some of the finest minds in the country. Both Maclean's Magazine and The Globe & Mail newspaper consistently rank UWinnipeg highly for overall reputation, quality of education, class sizes, quality of teaching, and student-faculty interaction. Augmenting UWinnipeg's core traditional strength—a robust arts, sciences, humanities and interdisciplinary education—two new faculties have added relevant choices for students in the past decade: Kinesiology and Business and Economics. Additionally, education in theology has been rejuvenated with The United Centre for Theological Education, which has recently co-located with UWinnipeg's Global College in new street-level space.

UWinnipeg faculty members are increasingly entrepreneurial, attracting significantly more research dollars to campus, up from \$4.4 million to \$7.1 million in the last five years. This represents a 61% increase in external research funding. The new Future Fund, launched in 2013 to support academic innovation, has raised \$1.2 million to date (see page 8). It funds experiential learning projects, among other

academic initiatives, allowing the university to attract new faculty with special talents and areas of research, and providing the necessary support for student interns.

“Dr. Axworthy has a pragmatic, action-oriented and experiential view of the academic enterprise that is intimately connected to his commitments to the University's increased engagement with the community,” says **Dr. Neil Besner**, UWinnipeg's Vice-President, Academic and International. “He has been a catalyst for progressive and inclusive change, and a strong supporter of increased resources for research. What has flowed from these commitments is new infrastructure like our science complex, which has made UWinnipeg much more attractive to high profile scientists; a Faculty of Graduate Studies that did not exist a decade ago; an increase in the number of UWinnipeg's Canada Research Chairs (there are now seven); and new academic programs available to increased numbers of Indigenous students, adult learners, and new immigrants.”

Among the most significant academic developments at UWinnipeg this past decade has been the growth of graduate programs. Students can now choose from 15 distinct Masters degrees, including one that is unique in Canada: the Master's degree in Development Practice with a focus on Indigenous Development. Now in its third year, this program is possible because of a MacArthur Foundation grant and partner CN. The program transcends borders by offering online “global classrooms” that connect students to an international network of 24 other universities as well as with local, rural, and remote communities around the world.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

In Winnipeg's inner city, many residents face multiple barriers to obtaining a higher education. Early in his mandate, Axworthy made it a priority to identify and remove those hurdles specifically facing new immigrants and refugees, Indigenous learners and war-affected youth. What began as small experimental programs grew organically to become a mission known as Community Learning, adopted as policy by the Board of Regents in May 2011. It is a commitment to dissolving the line between campus and community. Youth and adult learners traditionally underrepresented in post-secondary classrooms have a home at UWinnipeg, with supports and programs designed to help them succeed.

Kevin Chief (BA 98) helped design UWinnipeg's strategy to give youth that extra tap on the shoulder. He grew up in the inner city in a single-parent household, and thrived at UWinnipeg on a Wesmen basketball scholarship. “You cannot tell a child to overcome adversity and hardship; you have to show them how. One of the best ways to do that is to have role models,” says Chief, who is now Manitoba's first Minister of Children and Youth Opportunities. “The number one thing poverty takes away is choice. UWinnipeg gives that choice back to people through the way it's using its resources, and through programs like the Opportunity Fund.”



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Inside the Richardson College for the Environment & Science Complex (opened 2012)

IMAGE 02.

RecPlex groundbreaking, September 2012

IMAGE 03.

Dr. Axworthy and Dr. Neil Besner, Vice-President, Academic and International

JULY 1, 2009

Bob Silver becomes The University of Winnipeg's Seventh Chancellor

SEPTEMBER 12, 2009

Official opening of the UWSA Day Care

Official opening of McFeetors Hall: Great-West Life Student Residence

OCTOBER 19, 2009

H. Sanford Riley Centre for Canadian History opens

AUGUST 26, 2010

The Bonnie and John Buhler Centre, home of PACE and The Faculty of Business and Economics opens

JUNE 30, 2011

UWinnipeg creates Faculty of Kinesiology

JUNE 27, 2011

The Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex opens



01. ***“There has been a visible transformation at UWinnipeg, but also an internal one, Aboriginal people have a huge stake in UWinnipeg now.”***

Dr. Phil Fontaine, Former National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations

Established in 2007, UWinnipeg’s Opportunity Fund has raised more than \$3 million in donations to support Indigenous, new immigrant and refugee students, as well as inner-city youth. The fund has distributed 1,443 fast-track bursaries, and more than 238 of those students have now graduated. The fund also provides tuition credits to inner-city children as young as grade four to encourage them to “earn as they learn”. And most recently, UWinnipeg pioneered a program providing tuition waivers to youth who are leaving the child welfare system so they may attend university—a model that is now being replicated at many other post-secondary institutions across Manitoba and Canada.

UWinnipeg’s community outreach goes beyond financial supports. Through robust private fundraising, popular programs aimed at closing the graduation gap and stemming summer learning loss operate after school, on weekends and through the summer months. Hundreds of youth

and adults are taking everything from free computer classes to Cree language lessons at The Wii Chiiwaakanak Learning Centre; UWinnipeg’s Eco-Kids Summer Day Camp attracts a total of 1,200 inner-city children annually who participate in fun environmental activities with a focus on Indigenous science; and the Inner-City Wesmen community athletics program has up to 500 neighbourhood children, many of whom are newcomers to Canada, playing on teams ranging from soccer and basketball to wrestling.

INDIGENOUS INCLUSION & GUIDANCE

As one approaches Axworthy’s office on the third floor of Wesley Hall, what comes into view is a detailed Manitoba map with the heading “We are all Treaty People”. Axworthy often opens public meetings on campus by reminding visitors that UWinnipeg is located in the heart of the Metis Nation on Treaty One land, a Treaty that promises educational opportunities for First Nations people. In November 2011, Axworthy brought forward a significant change to the governance of the University to the Board of Regents. It approved the creation of an Indigenous Advisory Circle to ensure the inclusion of Indigenous Peoples’ perspectives in governance, programs, and services and to improve access by advancing scholarships and bursaries.

Former National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations, **Dr. Phil Fontaine** (LLD 09), a dedicated and highly respected leader in Canada, is the inaugural Chair of the Indigenous Advisory Circle. “There has been a visible transformation at UWinnipeg, but also an internal one,” Fontaine says. “Aboriginal people have a huge stake in UWinnipeg now. We are involved in the decision making.”



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SEPT 16, 2011

Completion of “A World of Opportunity Capital Campaign” Celebration

NOVEMBER 28, 2011

The University of Winnipeg’s Board of Regents Indigenous Advisory Circle policy comes into effect

SEPTEMBER 6, 2012

Official ground-breaking for the new UNITED Health & RecPlex

NOVEMBER 7, 2012

Time capsule installed in the cornerstone of Wesley Hall

FEBRUARY 1, 2013

Haiti earthquake survivors graduate in Special Convocation ceremony

MAY 7, 2013

UWinnipeg Oral History Centre Opens

Creating a culture of inclusion has seen UWinnipeg's self-declared Indigenous population grow to 12%, among the highest in Canada, and the number of First Nations and Metis applicants increases every year.

"When Axworthy was director of UWinnipeg's Institute of Urban Studies, he gathered young community activists together to explore how to address the challenges in the emerging urban Aboriginal community. That is how I met him," says Fontaine. "Here we are, 30 years later, having the same conversation, but we are in a better place now. And that is because of people like Axworthy. He is a visionary in the truest sense of the word—activist, thinker, full of ideas and community-focused. We are on a continuum, and he has never lost his focus to ensure Aboriginal people are an integral part of this city."

In the last several years, more than 20 post-secondary institutions have visited or contacted UWinnipeg seeking insights on replicating its promising Indigenous access and outreach initiatives. These inquiries have come via the University of Melbourne, a Mexican delegation, the University of Alaska, University of Toronto and York University, among others.

FULL CIRCLE

Sandy Riley (LLD 09) agrees the Axworthy story has come full circle. Riley was Chancellor of UWinnipeg in 2004 and helped select Axworthy as President. He says UWinnipeg needed strong leadership and vision.

"UWinnipeg was at a low ebb," he says. "I felt Axworthy had the personal qualities, including enormous personal energy, and the drive to make things better. He

managed to galvanize the campus and just as importantly, paint a picture for people outside the University so they could buy into and be part of the renewal."

Riley, who is also founding chairperson of The University of Winnipeg Foundation Board of Directors, says three unique characteristics of UWinnipeg have now crystallized: it is an important connecting point for communities starting out, a welcoming place for immigrants, Indigenous people, and youth coming in from rural areas; it is a great inner-city institution that is at the very heart of downtown renewal and is connected in real ways to the life of the downtown; and UWinnipeg is a centre of excellence for undergraduate studies, increasingly important in providing a foundation for young people to be creative and constructive.

Riley says Axworthy's most significant legacy is intangible. "He created a sense of possibility. The biggest challenge a decade ago was that UWinnipeg did not set expectations high enough. Now we see what The University of Winnipeg can be, to the city and the fabric of Manitoba. There is a sense of confidence and importance in the role it is playing."

Dr. Lloyd Axworthy concludes his second and final term as President & Vice-Chancellor at The University of Winnipeg on

JUNE 27, 2014



SEPTEMBER 27, 2013

Len Cariou headlines inaugural ArtsFest gala evening

OCTOBER 18, 2013

First class of MDP students graduate at 100th convocation

JUNE 17, 2014

UNITED Health and RecPlex Ribbon Cutting

IMAGE 01.

Dr. Axworthy; Jennifer Raltray, AVP Indigenous, Government & Community Affairs; Dr. Phil Fontaine

IMAGE 02.

Dr. Axworthy at Eco-U Kids Summer Camp

LEGACY



“Axworthy has completely changed the profile of UWinnipeg. There is openness to the inner city, accessibility and Treaty issues. Everywhere the business community congregates the effect is felt, the striving for inclusion is something that hugely concerns us. First Nations must be part of our corporate future, we cannot leave people behind and we are very appreciative of the role UWinnipeg is playing in terms of accessibility. Convocations at UWinnipeg are very interesting to me because of the diversity of the student population; I look out at a League of Nations, and I could not be more proud. UWinnipeg leads the country as an institution that can help change and mold a community.”

BOB SILVER

President, Western Glove Works, co-owner of the Warehouse One retail chain, co-owner of the Winnipeg Free Press and Brandon Sun, and is serving his second term as Chancellor of The University of Winnipeg



“The most remarkable change under Dr. Axworthy’s leadership is the shift in philosophy that has created significantly greater opportunities. Education is a ticket to individual and community well-being. Dr. Axworthy has established not only a welcoming environment for all but also the structural supports that help assure equal prospects for success.”

RICHARD FROST (LLD 12)

CEO, The Winnipeg Foundation

IMPRESSIONS



“The expansion of the University of Winnipeg campus is a key catalyst in the revitalization of the West End, enabling economic growth and a heightened profile. Dr. Axworthy ensured that the University did not just expand but also became a supportive partner in our ongoing community development. Students are now living and working here, often with their families. Dr. Axworthy’s vision of inclusiveness also helped to bridge boundaries. We see added connectivity with the downtown and other central neighbourhoods, their businesses, community organizations, residents, students and visitors. This increases opportunities to work together on programming and projects to the benefit of all.”

GLORIA CARDWELL-HOEPFNER

Executive Director, West End BIZ



“One of Dr. Axworthy’s most significant accomplishments has been prioritizing access to post-secondary education for non-traditional students and underrepresented or historically marginalized groups. This is so crucial because the more perspectives we have in the classroom, the more students are engaged in peer learning and the acquisition of knowledge that will help them to be engaged citizens. Additionally, I believe that young people value the community partnerships that have been forged by the University to make it a more dynamic and socially conscious institution of higher learning.”

MEGAN FULTZ (BA4-yr 13)

President, University of Winnipeg Students’ Association 2013-2014



“Lloyd has been a good friend of the Manitoba Metis Community as he has been to the global community of Indigenous Peoples. His commitment to human rights, education, health, and security has built a legacy that will grow for generations. He is a role model and mentor to us all.

On behalf of the Metis Nation, I thank him for his vision to develop the University of Winnipeg as a world-class institution based on inclusionary principles embracing local neighbourhoods as well as students worldwide. I would also like to thank his wife Ms. Denise Ommanney and the rest of his family and friends for the personal sacrifices they have made in supporting his success.

The University of Winnipeg has grown in size and opportunity under his leadership. His successor will have big shoes to fill, or, if I may say as we would back home, big chest waders to fill. I offer Lloyd best wishes and thank him for leaving the University a far better place upon his retirement than when he first arrived.”

DAVID CHARTRAND (LLD 12)

President, Manitoba Metis Federation



“I have been impressed with Axworthy’s ability to listen and pay attention to everyone at the table, and to provide a place where information is shared and relationships can grow.”

REVEREND CANON DR. CATHY CAMPBELL

St. Mathews Anglican Church and West End Commons, community board member with UWinnipeg’s Community Renewal Corporation

LEGACY

\$217M CAMPUS & COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION



RICHARDSON COLLEGE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT & SCIENCE COMPLEX is a \$66-million signature building with state-of-the-art teaching and research laboratories; it attracts 2,000 people daily.



UNITED HEALTH & RECPLX is the most comprehensive athletic and wellness facility ever built in Winnipeg's inner-city. It is connected by skywalks to UWinnipeg's renovated Duckworth Centre.



THE ANX is home to UWinnipeg's bookstore and English Language Program—plus retail, food offerings, and the downtown terminal for Winnipeg's Rapid Transit system.



COMMUNITY GREEN SPACE enhancements include the Portage Commons front lawn, the Richardson Green Corridor, and Spence Street Promenade meeting space.



MCFEETORS HALL: GREAT-WEST LIFE STUDENT RESIDENCE is home to 176 students plus 25 student families in townhouse style apartments. The building is Silver LEED certified.



ASPER CENTRE FOR THEATRE & FILM includes new acting studios, a film studio, editing labs and a state-of-the-art flexible theatre; the new Babs Asper Lilac Garden graces the entry.



UWINNIPEG COMMONS is a mixed-use 14-story housing complex to be constructed between the Buhler Centre and the Winnipeg Art Gallery, to be completed in 2016. (see page 7)



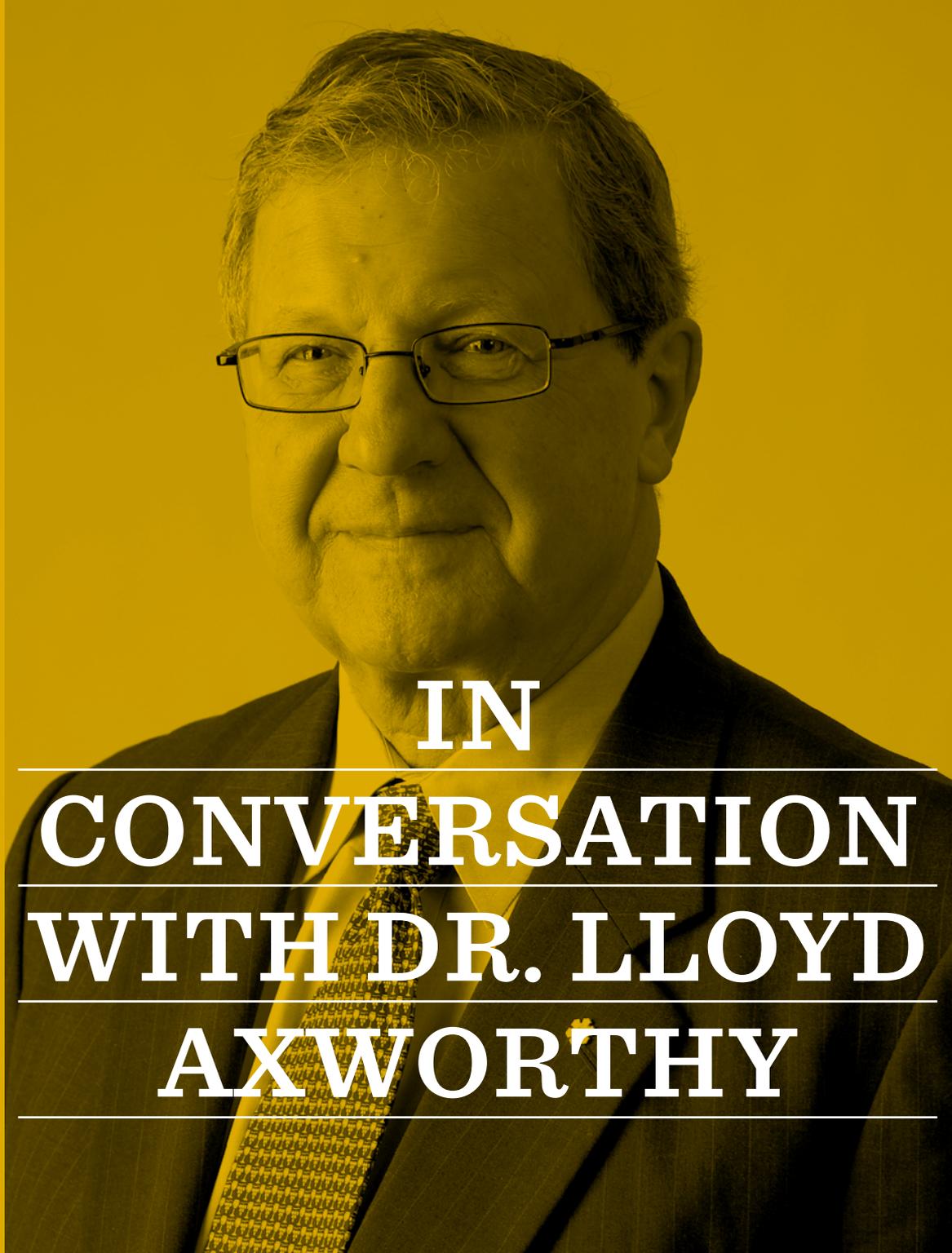
UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION DAY CARE CENTRE serves 116 children from the UWinnipeg community and surrounding neighbourhood. The building is Silver LEED certified.

BUHLER CENTRE houses the Faculty of Business and Economics and Professional, Applied and Continuing Education. Plug In Institute of Contemporary Art and Stella's Café are both tenants.



CONVOCATION HALL located inside Wesley Hall, its 2007 restoration was recognized with the Heritage Winnipeg Preservation Award of Excellence.

LEGACY



LEGACY

Q **WHEN YOU WALKED IN THE DOOR ON MAY 3, 2004 TO ASSUME THE ROLE OF PRESIDENT, WHAT WAS GOING THROUGH YOUR MIND?**

LA I had just been through a voyage of transition, I was away on Vancouver Island and decided to drive back to Manitoba to create a bit of a passage between what I had been doing at the University of British Columbia and coming back to the prairies. That had a real impact on me. Coming out of the mountains, I stopped outside Regina and it was a nice sunny day. It felt like home. And of course I had been a student here back in the 60s and I taught here for a while. It was just a feeling of coming home. It is a place I identify with, I had the sense of being where I should be.

Q **AS YOU MENTIONED A FEW DECADES EARLIER, YOU WERE A STUDENT HERE. DID YOU EVER THINK YOU WOULD ONE DAY BE PRESIDENT?**

LA Are you kidding, no! I grew up in the North End, and I had planned to become a lawyer; that was my game plan. And then I had the good fortune of getting the Woodrow Wilson Scholarship which brought me more onto the academic track. Whether it was fate or good fortune, even up until the time I finished my political career, I never ever thought I would be where Principal Lockhart or Harry Duckworth once sat. It was a shock to everyone else, certainly my classmates when we came back for a reunion a few years ago; they said if there was anyone most unlikely to be a university president, I was it (laughs).

Q & A

Q **IN YOUR DECADE AT THE HELM, WHAT HAS SURPRISED YOU?**

LA When I arrived I was learning a lot about how the University and city were changing, and there was not as effective a sync between the two. The University had been busy surviving and if I brought anything to it, it was that I had represented this area for close to 30 years in parliament so I had a feel for the city. What surprised me is that some of the things I felt here as a student, the ethos of the place and sense of social justice needed to be refreshed. We are now living in a community with a large number of First Nations and Metis families and new immigrants and it was a surprise that this institution had not duly connected with those changes.

Q **YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS THIS PAST DECADE AT UWINNIPEG ARE NUMEROUS AND MULTI-FACETED. WHAT IS THE ONE (OR TWO) ACHIEVEMENT(S) THAT YOU ARE MOST PROUD OF HERE?**

LA I would say overall I helped, with many other people's involvement, to change the mission of this university. It is more academically diverse with more choices and options for students. With (the late) Claudia Wright, we were able to bring in graduate programs. And we consolidated the campus. It used to be scattered and fragmented, and it was important to bring the

university together so it had an actual campus and begin to improve services for the students. UWinnipeg was seen as a good liberal arts and science college, and now it is much more diverse with a broader range. There is a lot more research and community work and reaching out to children and that has been very healthy for the University. We have opened up some really important debates about the role of education, and we are on a track now to really evolve into a downtown, community-based, diverse university. We are really writing our own definition of what it means to be a university.

Q **HOW DO YOU THINK UWINNIPEG IS PERCEIVED TODAY BY THE BROADER COMMUNITY?**

LA I think the University is generally seen as a very dynamic element in the city. Our work in helping the downtown renaissance is respected by the business community and others, and we are seen as a real community player. Our work in terms of providing access is understood and recognized. We do a lot of interesting things here, like ArtsFest, sharing our treasure trove of rich offerings with the community. We are much more engaged with the community.

LEGACY

Q **FACULTY, STAFF AND STUDENTS WHO CHOOSE TO BE PART OF UWINNIPEG BRING A COMMITMENT AND PASSION WITH THEM. HOW WOULD YOU CHARACTERIZE THE ETHOS HERE?**

LA There is a very high level of dedication to academic performance. People who teach and research here are very committed to their vocation, and much of that involves an active relationship with students. That is very much part of the ethos; there is a sense of responsibility towards students. There is also a long history going back to United College of being actively engaged in community issues. My job was to take that and make it contemporary. If there is a signature of what we do, when we develop a project, a box gets ticked: what are we sharing with the community. So when we build a RecPlex, there is a Community Charter. When we build housing, there are townhouses for families. Our role is to be a proper neighbor and an anchor institution downtown.

Q **THE WORK OF A PRESIDENT IS NEVER DONE. WHAT DO YOU WISH YOU STILL COULD HAVE COMPLETED HERE?**

LA One thing I leave unfinished is stabilizing the financial arrangements for the University. UWinnipeg does not get equal treatment when it comes to revenues compared to other Manitoba universities. It is an historical

imbalance. No one is doing this deliberately, it grew out of when we transitioned from college to university, and the grant system was set at that time. But there has never been any consideration built into the funding about growth, so in the last 10 years we have almost doubled growth but the provincial grant does not reflect that. Plus we had a decade of tuition freezes and three years of tuition legislation. We have among the lowest tuition rates in the country—we have the spreadsheets to show this—but have not received a funding change. If I leave with one great frustration, it is that I think that has to be reconsidered otherwise the community and the province loses the real potential this place has to be a dynamic force for ideas.

Q **WHAT WILL YOU DO NEXT?**

LA Liberation! I will be free to make my own choices. Between politics and my role as president I have had 40 years of meetings and schedules. I am looking forward to more personal time with my wife, and doing some thinking and reading. I am very keen on international governance. Being a university president is not a Mr. Chips job. It has a multitude of demands, pressures and constituencies and takes a lot of time, a thick skin and a high tolerance for ambiguity.

Q **IS THERE ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD?**

LA I think we have a very able administration. We have rebuilt and restructured. The University is much stronger and much more resilient today, and I think that is important for the new president. We are leaving a really good foundation.

Q **DO YOU HAVE A FAREWELL MESSAGE TO THE UWINNIPEG COMMUNITY?**

LA I think the key word is community. This is a community and people who come here always have a part of this university inside of them. It is a good institution. When I look back at the careers I have had, much of it started here with the people I met. My message is to the community—in the broadest sense, including government and business—that there needs to be a recognition of the value of having a university in the downtown that provides a catalyst and a spark. I don't think you can have a good downtown without a good downtown university.

Watch the video interview
with Megan Benedictson &
Dr. Axworthy

uwinnipeg.ca/axworthy

INNOVATION

A SUSTAINABLE SOLUTION

UWinnipeg's Chair in Co-operative Enterprises Champions Market Mix for a Healthy Economy

Megan Benedictson



“When you have one type of enterprise and you have a problem, we all suffer the consequences, everywhere.”

Dr. Claudia Sanchez Bajo

The relevance of Dr. Claudia Sanchez Bajo’s work can’t be overstated in a post-2008 economic environment. The first person to assume UWinnipeg’s Chair in Co-operative Enterprises, Sanchez Bajo says co-ops still create many of the same local benefits that led to their proliferation in the 1800s. But she also believes they can help on a global scale.

“It’s not good to have a closed system,” says Sanchez Bajo, referring to how individual financial systems are no longer insulated by international borders. She says that in the past, countries or continents with healthier economies could help a struggling nation recover, unlike today—when one country’s collapse can trigger a global domino effect.

This inter-dependence, coupled with the economic dominance of conventional businesses that rely on potentially unsustainable levels of growth, leave the world vulnerable, says Sanchez Bajo. “Therefore when you have one type of enterprise and you have a problem, we all suffer the consequences, everywhere. And it becomes very difficult to find a way out, like we see now.”

The multilingual Sanchez Bajo holds a PhD in Development Studies from the International Institute of Social Studies (Erasmus University, The Hague) and has worked with co-ops in Germany, Italy, China, Spain, and Costa Rica. In her chair position at UWinnipeg, she teaches about

the benefits of co-ops, and the wide variety of ways they can be managed. A big picture thinker, Sanchez Bajo is looking for ways to “bring about the generation of wealth that is sustainable in the long run”.

She explains that because co-operative members are also owners and stakeholders, co-ops tend to achieve growth without taking on too much debt. They are often founded to serve a regional community, so those stakeholders will make choices to ensure the business will be around for decades, meaning co-ops are motivated to be mindful of protecting resources and the environment. Co-ops are also rooted in regional communities, meaning owners are less likely to close up shop if profit margins narrow for a period of time.

Sanchez Bajo says co-ops members benefit from being involved: “I think it’s one part of the answer for the problems we face in terms of inequality, in terms of social mobility, in terms of training, in terms of learning business skills, in terms of market access for common people, small enterprises, artisans.”

In addition to teaching at UWinnipeg, Sanchez Bajo is carrying out research evaluating housing co-op funding models. She will also be speaking at the Quebec 2014 International Summit of Cooperatives in October, a conference in which UWinnipeg is an Institutional Partner.

INNOVATION

CAMPUS SUSTAINABILITY

A Joint Effort to Maximize Results

Fabian Suárez-Amaya

“We committed to absolute reductions. That’s something institutionally, we should be really proud of.”

Alana Lajoie-O’Malley



01.

The process of improving sustainability on campus has changed substantially since Alana Lajoie-O’Malley’s time as a student. “My running joke is that I was so annoying, they decided to pay me to do it,” laughs Lajoie-O’Malley, now UWinnipeg’s sustainability director.

The story begins a decade ago. A small group of students had just completed a class called “Human Impact on the Environment”, in which one of their projects was to develop a proposal for The University of Winnipeg. After the course was over, they got together with some other interested students—including Lajoie-O’Malley—to form an environmental group called SUNSET. With help from supportive faculty, SUNSET fleshed out its proposal and eventually presented it to a group of senior University executives.

IMAGE 01.

Diversity Food Services sources much of its food from local producers

IMAGE 02.

Alana Lajoie-O’Malley, Director of Campus Sustainability

IMAGE 03.

Students Jazmin Papadopoulos & Sam Dyck working in The UWSA Bike Lab



02.

The wheels started turning quickly, as Lajoie-O'Malley recalls: "I was sitting in the physics lounge and I got a phone call. 'Hi, is Alana there? Can she please come to the President's Office?'" Dr. Lloyd Axworthy agreed to establish a Sustainability Task Force, which would include students and staff, with faculty member Mark Burch as Chair. In 2005, Dr. Axworthy made the announcement that UWinnipeg would become Kyoto compliant.

Things progressed steadily. The Task Force came together in 2005, before being formalized as a Campus Sustainability Council (CSC) in 2006. More details were added as the Campus Sustainability Strategy came together in 2012, implementing the previously determined policies and metrics that UWinnipeg uses today.

Constructing the Campus Sustainability Strategy was an intensive process. The strategy is dated 2012, but the process for developing it started in 2010. Lajoie-O'Malley explains that "One of the keys was bringing people together and distributing responsibility and accountability to different departments. We had to establish a mechanism to reach everyone through the CSC. It was about creating this structure, so that people can make sustainability part of their daily work life."

The distribution of responsibility has resulted in some huge successes. Last summer, the university announced it had completed all the work required on its mechanical systems necessary to meet its Kyoto commitment to reduce total greenhouse gas emissions on campus by 6% from 1990 levels. "When we set these emission reduction targets in 2005," Lajoie-O'Malley says, "we committed to absolute reductions. That's something institutionally, we should be really proud of."

What makes this especially impressive is the significant expansion that UWinnipeg has undergone in that same time period. The University's total occupancy in square meters has increased 22% from 2005 to 2012 and will increase further once the UNITED Health & RecPlex opens to the public this fall. Essentially, the University grew its property use by a fifth, while cutting absolute emissions at the same time. And UWinnipeg is upping the ante: at the 2013 announcement, Dr. Axworthy reiterated an updated commitment to reduce campus greenhouse gas emissions 10% below 1990 levels by the end of 2016.



03.

The *Globe & Mail Canadian University Report 2012* ranked UWinnipeg first in Canada for its environmental commitment. UWinnipeg adopted a comprehensive new sustainability plan aimed at strengthening sustainability practices in all aspects of campus life in January 2012, building on numerous initiatives already underway, including:

ECO-FRIENDLY INITIATIVES ON UWINNIPEG CAMPUS

1. Introduced double-sided printing as default on all copiers and printers on campus in September 2008, fully implemented January 2009.
2. Established Diversity Food Services in 2009 as the main campus food service provider, a social enterprise sourcing a significant amount of its food from local producers and using compostable cutlery, cups and to-go containers.
3. Became the first University in Canada to ban the sale of bottled water in 2009, an initiative led by students that spread quickly across the country.
4. Introduced phosphate-free detergents and environmentally friendly cleaning products for use on campus after signing on to the Lake Friendly Initiative in 2010.
5. Partnered with the Forks Renewal Corporation in fall 2011 to send all campus food scraps, containers and cutlery to the Forks to be turned into compost for landscaping, allowing for a neighbourhood-level solution to waste management.
6. Opened the UWSA Bike Lab in fall 2011 to promote active and sustainable transit options for students, staff and the surrounding community. The Bike Lab offers free year-round programming including bike maintenance and safety workshops.

INNOVATION

“Students’ role in sustainability on campus is very different than it was ten years ago, because sustainability now is institutionalized.”

Andrée Forest

Meeting Kyoto Protocol targets in the midst of the University’s expansion is no small feat. UWinnipeg Physical Plant employees Len Cann and Kyle Macdonald (winners of the 2012 Campus Sustainability Award), have had much to do with this. “It’s been challenging, because it’s a rolling target,” Macdonald explains. “If we know that a new building is going to add greenhouse gas emissions, we have to ask: where can we reduce those emissions in our other buildings?”

Much of that reduction has come from a comprehensive series of retrofits on older campus buildings such as Centennial Hall, Lockhart Hall and Manitoba Hall. Physical Plant employees have added occupancy sensors to classrooms that regulate their heating, cooling and ventilation. They’ve also overhauled lighting, electrical and water systems. Macdonald emphasizes that improving campus sustainability is a team effort from all Physical Plant staff. “We try to do a lot of stuff in-house,” he says. “We have plumbers, power engineers, electricians working on this; everyone has a part—including the painters that have to go in after, to paint over the areas we’ve marked up, or the service workers that go in and remove the material that’s left over from a job.”

Allan Amundsen, the University’s Director of Purchasing, has seen first-hand how employees taking ownership can create impressive results, recalling an instance when the purchasing department was looking to increase its use of post-consumer recycled paper. Amundsen notes that Leslie Uhryniuk (UWinnipeg Printing Services), who received the 2013 Campus Sustainability Award, went far beyond the initial goal. “Leslie looked at it and said, ‘look, our minimum requirements should be 60% but we’re willing to try to test 100%.’ Going from 60% to 100% is huge, in terms of the impact on the environment.”

Andrée Forest is the outgoing Vice President Internal of the University of Winnipeg Students’ Association (UWSA) and a long-time student representative on the CSC. After participating in the University’s 2010 “waste audit”, Forest learned that while the University was diverting 55% of its waste, 80% of what gets thrown out has the potential to be diverted from a landfill.

To improve these outcomes, Forest spent time doing some frontline work with the Waste Patrol, a group of student volunteers who educate their peers on which items get composted, recycled, or sent to the landfill. She smiles, recounting some teasing comments she’s read on Facebook: “A U of W hipster popped out of the compost and ambushed me for not putting my garbage in the right place!” She continues: “Sometimes people made it abundantly clear that they didn’t know that the things they were using were compostable, which is unfortunate.” The Waste Patrol did commit to being friendly, Forest notes. “We didn’t have prizes, but we gave very satisfying high-fives.”

During her time in student government, Forest wrote to the Physical Plant about the need to improve the University’s waste infrastructure. The old garbage-only bins have since been replaced with new three-piece bins that give visual indicators of where to place your waste.

The CSC benefits from its original design, a mix of different parties with a shared goal. The CSC also helps the different departments connect more directly



Interior of McFeetors Hall, one of UWinnipeg’s LEED Silver status buildings

with students. Amundsen believes that sitting on the CSC has helped the purchasing department stay in touch with what the University's learners want. Macdonald echoes this on behalf of the Physical Plant and provides an example: "We had problems with heating in some of the classrooms; one of the students brought up how people were tweeting about it. We wouldn't have known about that."

Forest insightfully notes the evolving position of students in driving sustainability policy. "Students' role in sustainability on campus is very different than it was ten years ago, because sustainability now is institutionalized. But I don't think that means that it's less important for students to be involved with it, I just think it takes a little more figuring out as to what the role is."

She feels that the students' work is less about lobbying the University's administration, and more about motivating the student body. "There's a role for peer-to-peer interactions. There's a role for looking at sustainability in the context of other things, which is what the Grass-Routes Sustainability Festival tends to do. We partner sustainability with other issues to make it more accessible to students."

The University of Winnipeg has made huge strides towards meeting its sustainability goals, especially in the areas of emissions management, purchasing practices, and waste diversion, but no one is resting easy yet. Kyle McDonald is working to raise staff and students awareness by installing electronic dashboards that show real-time energy consumption, Allan Amundsen is establishing a geographic database of where purchasing department goods are made, and Andrée Forest, who will receive the 2014 Campus Sustainability Award at June convocation, is spending time working with faculty to develop an experiential learning course so students can improve campus sustainability as part of their accredited coursework. As for Campus Sustainability Director Alana Lajoie-O'Malley, the undisputed driving force behind the University's success in this realm? She'll continue to ensure that the Campus Sustainability Strategy is being implemented, to collect and report on the relevant data, to monitor and support the various ongoing projects, and to help departments foster the sort of independent ownership that makes their projects so successful. "My job is to collect the good news stories and tell them," she says with a laugh. Happily, she has no shortage of those.

The University of Winnipeg is grateful to its public and private supporters, funders and donors who have assisted the institution in achieving its GHG reduction goals, and who have contributed to lessening the University's impact on the environment.

Learn more about campus sustainability

uwinnipeg.ca/sustainability

07. In November 2011 Both McFeetors Hall: Great-West Life Student Residence and The University of Winnipeg Students' Association Daycare Centre joined an elite group of eco-friendly buildings in Manitoba by achieving LEED Silver status. All new construction projects are built to LEED Silver standards or better.
08. Established an Academic Working Group on Sustainability in 2012 to examine sustainability content in UWinnipeg's curriculum and research. This is in preparation for participation in STARS (Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System), a third party transparent framework which allows colleges and universities to measure their sustainability performance.
09. First cosmetic pesticide-free campus in Manitoba, as of Spring 2013.
10. Underwent a major water retrofit project so all bathrooms on campus will have low-flow toilets and sinks (completed October 2013).
11. Completed a \$2 million energy retrofit in 2013 to main campus buildings to reduce emissions from these buildings and to offset the ongoing GHG impact of an expanded campus. This includes a 2011 installation of a hybrid heating system that will enable the University to replace higher-emitting natural gas with lower-emitting hydro electricity during off-peak times.

PEOPLE

CLIMATE, COMMUNITIES & COMMUNICATION

A Dialogue with Dr. Ian Mauro

Naniece Ibrahim



“Climate change is the paramount issue of our time and hopefully my work helps us to realize both the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead.”

Dr. Ian Mauro

Strewn with film equipment, Dr. Ian Mauro's office reflects his interests and his work. While chatting in his office, Mauro contemplates his return to Winnipeg after academic journeys to the Arctic and Atlantic regions of Canada.

Mauro is the newest addition to UWinnipeg's geography department in the Faculty of Science, arriving from Mount Allison University where he held a Canada Research Chair in Human Dimensions of Environmental Change.

"I was interested in coming back to the prairies because I love this place."

"I was interested in coming back to the prairies because I love this place," says Mauro. "It's great to be at The University of Winnipeg, an institution that is committed to digital, Indigenous and community-based scholarship, which are core to my research program and teaching."

Mauro is an academic and an internationally-recognized filmmaker renowned for his pioneering of multimedia methodologies. His interdisciplinary work weaves together the social and ecological sciences while recognizing important synergies between scientific and Indigenous knowledge. Mauro also explores the human dimensions of issues such as climate change, energy and food security, which he documents on film.

"I'm particularly interested in the use of video to collect, conserve and communicate local and Indigenous knowledge of farmers, fishers and hunters," says Mauro. "This approach allows people who live on the land to tell their own stories, in their own language, within the landscapes where their knowledge has been generated."

Mauro co-directed the influential Inuktitut language film *Qapirangajuq: Inuit Knowledge and Climate Change* with Zacharias Kunuk, the acclaimed Inuk filmmaker who made *Atanarjuat: The Fast Runner*. In his most recent research documentary, *Climate Change in Atlantic Canada*, Mauro explored the impacts of extreme weather on eastern coastal communities. He released the film this past fall, touring it across Atlantic Canada with renowned scientist and broadcaster David Suzuki. With Suzuki's support, Mauro intends to begin shooting a new climate change film in British Columbia this summer.



Dr. Ian Mauro, Geography Department, Faculty of Science

"My plan is to visually document climate change across the country, creating an opportunity for Canadians to engage with this issue in their own backyards," says Mauro. "Climate change is the paramount issue of our time and hopefully my work helps us to realize both the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead."

Mauro's films have been translated into numerous languages and screened globally at academic conferences and film festivals, on television and in venues such as the United Nations, Smithsonian Institution and National Geographic's All Road Film Festival. Most recently, his multimedia climate change research was presented in a major 5-month exhibition at the Royal Ontario Museum, which included public engagement initiatives such as a "Day of Dialogue" on Arctic issues.

"Collaboration and communication with the public is key," says Mauro. "In my experience, communities are keen to engage in the research process and have tremendous knowledge to offer, and my digital media approach seeks to include these perspectives and make research relevant for society as a whole."

Given the unique nature of his scholarship, Mauro has been invited to participate in expert panels on northern Aboriginal peoples' food security and hydraulic fracturing.

Mauro's research & multimedia projects can be found on the following websites:

climatechangeatlantic.com

isuma.tv/ikcc

seedsofchangeilm.org

PEOPLE

COMING HOME

City Councillor Devi Sharma Considers UWinnipeg a Second Home

Megan Benedictson

“As I gained an understanding of my own strengths and interests, I became motivated by helping people.”



Devi Sharma (BA 94) has been back to The University of Winnipeg many times since being elected as the city councillor for Old Kildonan, but she says returning to share her memories with UWinnipeg Magazine was different. “From the moment I stepped out of the car, coming all the way to Riddell Hall, I’ve been beaming. It’s like coming home.”

UWinnipeg became Sharma’s second home in the early 90s, as she spent countless hours on campus studying sociology in the Faculty of Arts. She fondly recalls the supportive environment that makes the institution stick out from some other schools, and how it changed her. “The biggest thing I remember—there’s a big reality of quickly becoming an adult, and being responsible for your own success.”

It’s a responsibility she takes seriously. Speaking with quiet intelligence, Sharma says she didn’t plan for her current position while she was in school. But soon after graduating in 1994 she met Mike O’Shaughnessy (then city councillor for the ward Sharma now represents) who hired her. “Honestly I didn’t know a lot about politics at the time, but I was a very organized, ambitious young lady who was eager to learn. And he gave me the opportunity to work in his office.”

While that experience planted a seed, Sharma left O’Shaughnessy’s office in 1998 to pursue work in the private sector, in the provincial government, in the non-profit sector, and as an entrepreneur.

“As I gained an understanding of my own strengths and interests, I became motivated by helping people,” she says of her next step, following the campaign trail to a win.

In her current role, which has expanded since she was recently chosen as Speaker by her council colleagues, Sharma is paying forward the mentorship and support she received. Each summer Sharma has hired a different student to work in her office, in a flexible position that starts with the student’s own goals: “So you make sure you build that into the plan, and then they also learn things they had no idea they were coming to learn.”

Looking back, Sharma says UWinnipeg helped influence her values, particularly in accessibility and dialogue, as did her family. Coming from a family of six children, Sharma remains extremely grateful for the sacrifices her parents made to allow the family to immigrate in 1972, and for instilling in her the Indian cultural emphasis on the importance of education—with a modern twist.

“My parents never showed any differences between my brothers, my sisters or myself. It was always equal opportunity for all of us children,” she says of their support. “And being a female in a society where that wasn’t always the case, that means a lot to me, and that has shaped who I am, who I’ve become, and where I am still going to go.”

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HOLISTIC APPROACH

MDP Grad Draws on Indigenous Knowledge to Problem Solving

Megan Benedictson

Tatenda Bwawa (MDP 13) says it was a personal paradigm shift that led to her current role as a health policy analyst at the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs. She experienced the change in perspective while on a field placement in Fisher River Cree Nation, and was introduced to the holistic approach First Nations people take to solving a problem.

“I lived on reserve for three months,” she explains in her downtown Winnipeg office. “When you’re immersed with someone else’s culture, and living the way they’re living, it changes who you are.”

She would know. Growing up in Mutare, Zimbabwe, Bwawa moved to the southern United States to get her education, which includes a Bachelor of Science in Psychology with a minor in Biology from Lambuth University, as well as a Master of Public Health and Graduate Certificate in Health Care Management from East Tennessee State University. She worked for the American Heart Association in the US before moving to Winnipeg to pursue a Master’s in Development Practice (MDP).

Bwawa speaks with passionate intensity as she recalls her MDP field placements. All students in the Indigenous Development stream gain work experience during field placements in both Canadian and international Indigenous communities. Bwawa says the chance to “learn by doing” was a big part of what drove her to earn her MDP, along with the interdisciplinary nature of the program, and its focus on Indigenous development.

“When you talk about Indigenous people, you have culture, you have tradition, you have beliefs, you have ways of doing, you have ways of knowing, you have livelihoods,” Bwawa says. “And how do we take that, and integrate with the current, dominant models, to make it more functional and inclusive of Indigenous people.”

Bwawa says the holistic approach to problem solving she’s seen on First Nations is a good example. She says at first she was struck by the kind of issues she was asked to investigate when working in health in Fisher River. Community leaders felt it was just as important to look at mental health, environmental health, and economic development as it was to look at what was happening with physical health, because the issues are connected. Bwawa says that kind of Indigenous knowledge is undervalued across the globe, and the problem of health disparities in health is also widespread. She hopes to change that.

“After my field placement in Fisher River, I was certain I wanted to work with First Nations communities, and be part of that,” Bwawa says. “To advocate, and address social determinants of health. To use a bottom-up approach toward sustainable community development, and promote social progress and holistic well-being.” She says she’s grateful she’s been given an opportunity to do just that.



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MAKING CONNECTIONS



Dr. Patricia Caetano Discovered Pharmacoepidemiology While Studying at Lockhart

Fabian Suárez-Amaya

Dr. Patricia Caetano (B.Sc 4-yr 97), the Executive Director of Manitoba's Provincial Drug Programs, is doing exactly the job she always wanted to do—but she never would have discovered her line of work if not for the student networks she joined at The University of Winnipeg.

“Throughout my bachelor's degree at UWinnipeg, I was really involved—in the Biology Students' Association, the Chemistry Students' Association, as much as I could be in terms of the general student body,” she explained.

Caetano credits her involvement in student associations with helping to develop her career. “The students in the Associations had connections to labs. They knew where you could get a job in the summer. They knew of clinical areas that needed an assistant, or help in completing patient surveys, doing things that got you involved in research.”

And in bustling Lockhart Hall, Caetano made important connections that would change her career trajectory. It was there that she learned about pharmacoepidemiology. “There was one student I met, who was doing an MBA through Queen's. He was always there studying, and we started talking. He explained to me the area of

pharmacoepidemiology, and I thought ‘That's just the coolest thing.’ You're using basic medical science, understanding of drugs, but applying it to a population setting.” Caetano went on to earn a PhD in pharmacoepidemiology from the University of Manitoba.

Caetano also discovered her love of research at UWinnipeg. “I realized, doing my undergrad thesis, that it was really my passion. I was able to meet up with a professor, who took me on as a summer student in my second year as an undergrad.”

After spending her summers researching, Caetano decided to pursue a complex undergraduate thesis: attempting to measure how deep the surrounding area around a liver cell is. She explains that she then examined the diffusion of electrolytes into the liver cells, and the different factors affecting their rate of diffusion. “It was biophysics. And because my thesis was relatively sophisticated, I was able to convince the graduate supervisors that I didn't need a Master's degree. My professors were able to guide me, within Manitoba—what's my next step, where do I apply, how do I structure my applications.”

When asked how she was able to build such beneficial relationships with her professors, Caetano is quick to answer: “Small classes. To this day, when people ask me where to go, I say: if you don't know where you're going, the best thing to do is to develop relationships with people who are somewhere.”

As Executive Director of the Provincial Drug Programs, Caetano has a job that covers a wide territory. She oversees Pharmacare, the drug insurance program for Manitobans, and works to develop the province's pharmacy policies. Caetano describes her day-to-day role as “working on drug coverage decisions, pharmacy practice, and how pharmacists are working within our system to support the health needs of Manitobans.”

Dr. Caetano's academic background applies directly to the work she does today. “Let's say you have a drug that can lower blood pressure by 27%. Governments make a decision, this drug gets approved in the country, and doctors start prescribing it. Are they prescribing it to the people it was designed for? When patients start taking it, are they taking it long enough to exert some effect? What are the things that affect how well that drug is actually going to work?”

Earlier this spring, Caetano was working on implementation of the new Pharmaceutical Act, signed into legislation on January 1st, 2014. The Act gives pharmacists expanded scope of practice. Caetano explains, “Pharmacists in Manitoba, with some additional training, can prescribe some additional medications, order lab tests, and administer vaccines or drugs by injection, none of which they were allowed to do before.”

“It's helping the system save,” Caetano adds. “Things like smoking cessation products or acne medication, pharmacists can prescribe them so patients don't have to see a doctor for that.”

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DISCOVERING TRUTH

APTN's Cheryl McKenzie Applies Critical Thinking to Journalism

Megan Benedictson

It's noon on a Friday in February, and instead of sitting down to lunch, **Cheryl McKenzie** (BA 98) is in studio counting down until the moment she goes live. A day earlier, sources began leaking word of a major announcement taking place on the Blood Reserve in Alberta. The subject—First Nations education—couldn't be more important to viewers of the Aboriginal Peoples Television Network (APTN). It's quickly decided that McKenzie, her co-anchor, and the rest of the APTN National News team will pull together a live special.

The broadcast is not without challenges. The announcement is delayed significantly, and plans for the broadcast change from minute to minute. But McKenzie stays collected, and when details are finally released, she quickly digests facts and makes deft observations. She inhabits her role with such warmth and confidence that one would never guess this hadn't been her dream job from the beginning. "I just never thought I would be here, doing what I'm doing," she explains during a conversation in the APTN boardroom.

McKenzie's first career was as a chef working in fine restaurants. But when she became a single parent in the mid-90s, she realized the demanding chef schedule just wasn't working anymore. An initial plan to take fast-track job training was abandoned after she was refused admission to one course by a family friend. The woman told McKenzie she had too much potential not to go to University.

"I thought, it takes too long, it's too hard, no way," McKenzie recalls. "So there I was, feeling like I had no more avenues left, but to try to go to University. So I thought, what the heck, I'll give it a shot."

McKenzie says her first year of courses at UWinnipeg opened up new worlds to her, including an introduction to (what was then called) a Native studies class she says taught her new details about her "ancestors and the relationship Aboriginal peoples have with Canada," and a class on moral issues that eventually led her to major in philosophy in the Faculty of Arts.

McKenzie says while friends and family teased her for her choice of major, having the degree did give her a job opportunity that paid off. While working at the Centre for Aboriginal Human Resource Development, she came across a posting for an internship at CBC, where she cut her teeth as a reporter before taking a permanent position with APTN in 2001.

A lifelong learner, McKenzie says the thing she loves most about her job is staying on top of what's happening in the world: "I really think it comes down to study and learning; I really thrive on that."

McKenzie says studying philosophy at UWinnipeg also taught her critical thinking skills, which she values greatly. "Focusing on the truth, that's the biggest part of philosophy: discovering what the truth is, figure out what the truth is, all these different interpretations of truth... I use those exact same things in my journalism job all the time."



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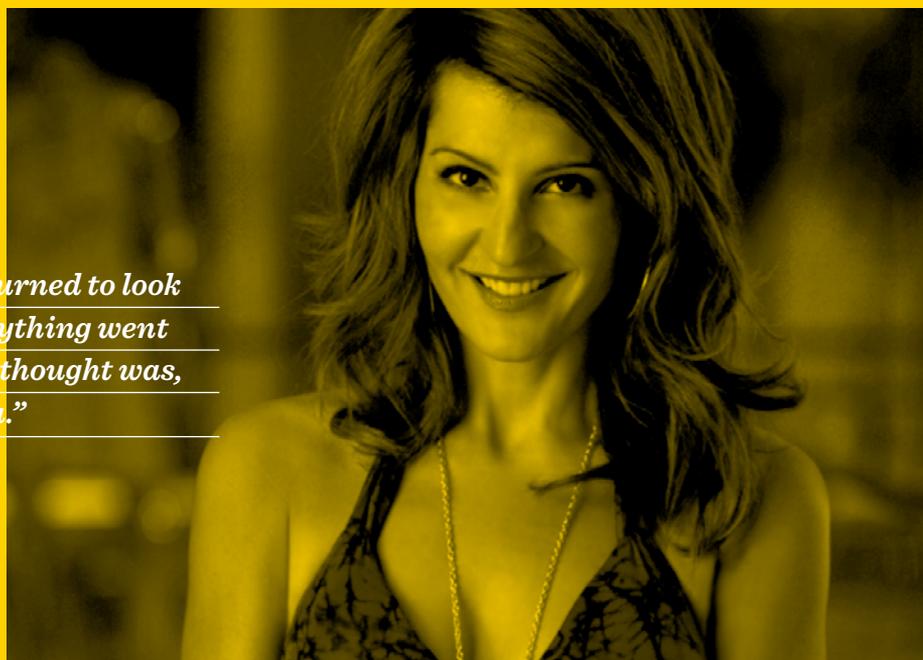
INSTANT MOM

NIA VARDALOS

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“The little girl turned to look at me and everything went quiet, and all I thought was, ‘oh, I found you.’”

Nia Vardalos



In her film *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*, Vardalos made us laugh with her honest portrayal of growing up in a Greek family. Now in her memoir *Instant Mom*, she takes the same candid approach. Written with courage, humour and warmth, the book chronicles Vardalos’s life journey—including the making of her films and the creation of her “instant family” via adoption.

The critically-acclaimed New York Times best seller has earned numerous awards that adorn the room of Vardalos’s daughter. She explains: “My daughter thinks she should keep the awards because she is the inspiration for the book.”

The cover declares “instructions not included” because Vardalos is not big on

giving advice. However, she does believe in the power of being a “fearless idiot” and following your instincts: “Just make the choice that will make you happy. Your family will always love you, because you have to decide to do what is right for you.”

Nia Vardalos is an Academy Award and Golden Globe nominated actress, and writer of *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*. An alumnus of The Second City comedy theatre, she wrote and starred in *Connie and Carla* and *I Hate Valentine’s Day*. She also starred in *My Life In Ruins*, and co-wrote *Larry Crowne* with Tom Hanks. Born and raised in Winnipeg, Vardalos now resides in Los Angeles with her husband, their daughter, and many pets. She is currently balancing her acting and writing career with motherhood.

Nia Vardalos studied in the Faculty of Arts at The University of Winnipeg from 1981 to 1983.

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A LIFE DEDICATED TO EDUCATING

An Aboriginal Woman Honoured



This spring marks the tenth anniversary of the establishment of The Debra Blair Bursary. Created by her wife Mona Katawne, daughter Vida Katawne, and other loved ones, this bursary honours Debra's memory by assisting Aboriginal women in their pursuit of a university education.

As a student at The University of Winnipeg, Debra earned several awards. She also worked in northern communities, where she taught computer and business skills to Aboriginal women and was an active leader in the women's community. She graduated with a BA in 1990 as the Gold Medal recipient in Women's Studies.

Choosing to attend UWinnipeg in her early thirties, Debra sold her home to pay for tuition and support herself. She valued her experience at the University, admiring its open atmosphere of dialogue and values of access. This bursary provides a beautiful legacy to Debra, her life accomplishments and passions.

"Debra took immense pride in her education, dedicating a great deal of her life to educating Aboriginal women," explained Mona. "Creating this bursary allows our family to honour Debra's life by continuing where she left off."

CONNECTING THE PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE

The University of Winnipeg's Student Call Centre employs up to 20 of UWinnipeg's best and brightest students throughout the school year. Students call more than 30,000 alumni and donors to keep them apprised of campus developments, to say thank you for past donations, and to ask for continued financial support.

Ryan Fontaine, Indigenous Governance Graduate Student, has been with the call centre from the very beginning.

"Working as a student caller is awesome. The hours are flexible and it's been a great way to make new friends. I especially

appreciate the opportunity to speak with graduates who often share their experiences as a student. My favorite part of the job is knowing there are people out there who love UWinnipeg and who continue to support our ever-growing campus."

Each year, deans and department chairs provide program highlights and their top three fundraising priorities. Donations support three areas: student awards, programs and capital projects. Thanks to over 1,000 donors, more than \$175,000 has been raised to date!

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ANNE MAHON GIVES THE GIFT OF EDUCATION

Proud Winnipegger, author and volunteer, Anne Mahon wrote *The Lucky Ones* after being inspired by the life stories of refugees coming to Canada. The book is a compilation of intimate, heartrending stories of courage and perseverance told to Mahon by newcomers.

With over 25 years of volunteer experience, Mahon began working with the refugee community in 2007 at the Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization of Manitoba where she helps new Canadians learn English. She is also a founding board member of Humankind International, an organization dedicated to improving the lives of children in Dadaab, Kenya by supporting them through education. The organization successfully opened an early education centre in January 2014.

In March 2013, Mahon established the Anne Mahon Opportunity Bursary at The University of Winnipeg Foundation. The award, which contributes to the success of UWinnipeg's Opportunity Fund, is funded with a portion of the proceeds from the sale of *The Lucky Ones*. To date Mahon has generously directed over \$10,000 to her named fund and the first bursary was awarded in September 2013.

"I feel privileged to be the messenger of these stories. *The Lucky Ones* was a collaborative effort and I knew I wanted to give back to the community that had shared so much with me, says Mahon. "Education is a gift that continues to give and setting up an Opportunity Bursary Fund at UWinnipeg was one way for me to say thank you to the contributors who so generously shared their life stories with me."

The bursary fund provides immediate financial support and encouragement to refugees and newcomers from Africa to discover the advantages and benefits of a university education, a gift genuinely appreciated by the fund's recipients. In fact, education is a common thread throughout many stories in *The Lucky Ones*. One such story is that of Muuxi Adam, who arrived in Winnipeg at the age of 16 after a harrowing escape from Somalia. Thanks to the Opportunity Fund, Adam graduated from UWinnipeg in 2013 with an Arts degree in International Development Studies.

"My mother believed in the power of education so when she could get the money together we went to private school for short periods of time," says Adam. "The teachers wanted us there because we were 'A' students and they felt for us, so they said 'stay and bring the money when you can.'"

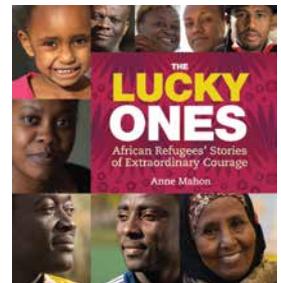
Dr. Lloyd Axworthy provided the foreword for *The Lucky Ones*.

"There is no doubt how important the desire for education is and how crucial assistance from government, aid agencies, schools and universities is in making that education accessible and culturally relevant," says Axworthy. "As a university committed to making education attainable to all those who dream of it, I am grateful for Anne's ongoing dedication."

In recognition of her tremendous volunteer efforts, Mahon was nominated for the Lieutenant Governor's Make a Difference Community Award in 2012. In 2013, "On The Same Page", a book club for Manitobans and joint project by The Winnipeg Foundation and Winnipeg Public Library, chose *The Lucky Ones* as its featured book. *The Lucky Ones* is available through McNally Robinson, Amazon.ca, the UWinnipeg bookstore and other bookstores.

"Education is a gift that continues to give"

Anne Mahon



ALUMNI

ALUMNI ADDRESS

*A Letter From the Alumni Association President,
Kevin Freedman*

The 2013-2014 school year has been a very memorable one for the University of Winnipeg. Our President and Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Lloyd Axworthy will soon step down after what may be the most fruitful and exciting decade in the institution's history and we are excited at the prospect of a successor who will continue his amazing work. The United Health and Recreation Complex is nearing completion and we just recently celebrated our 100th Convocation ceremony. The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association and Alumni Council are proud to have contributed to these and other efforts going on at the University.

The volunteers that encompass the 14-member Alumni Council range in graduation year from 1969 to 2010. Our diverse group includes lawyers, public servants, artists, clergy, entrepreneurs, and alumni from five countries. Along with engaging other alumni to inform them of news and activities related to the university, we also raise money

for various scholarships and bursaries and we offer services to students such as mentorship opportunities and our Food For Thought days when we provide free food to students during exam season. Our mission is to foster lifelong relationships between the University and its expanding alumni base, and the Alumni Council confers the annual Distinguished Alumni Awards at each Convocation.

The Alumni Association has many ways for you to get involved. We have volunteer opportunities almost every month as well as various committees looking for members. Our Alumni Council seeks new members every year and we also elect three from the ranks of the alumni to sit on the Board of Regents. Find out more by visiting our website, following our Facebook page, or finding one of our active members.

See you on campus!




KEVIN FREEDMAN

(COLLEGIATE 99, BA 08)

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CLASS ACTS

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JOHNSON, ALAN (BA 52) is now retired as a Vice President at the Royal Bank of Canada.

MUTCH, DONALD (BA 53) turned 84 in May, 2014. He is the family archivist and genealogist and has been building the family tree for 10 years. Don is also the church librarian and member of the Worship Committee at Woodroffe United Church in West Ottawa. After graduating from United College, Don earned his Library Science degree from the University of Toronto, graduating in 1957. After graduation, he went to work at the Ottawa Public Library where he was employed for 37 years ending his career as Director of Branch Services supervising 80 staff in seven branch libraries. Don and his wife, Phyllis, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in October 2011.

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ADAMS (SIDWALL), KAREN (BA Hons 67) is the head of University of Manitoba Libraries. She has received the Canadian Library Association's Outstanding Service to Librarianship Award. Adams has made outstanding contributions to Canadian librarianship in a distinguished career that spans public, government and academic libraries. In part, she was honoured for her leadership on pivotal library issues, such as copyright and access-to-information issues.

JOHANNSON (PARKER), JOAN (BA 64) is the author of *Discovering the Bright Warrior: Confessions of a Social Activist and Three Models of Child Welfare: Protection, Prevention and Empowerment*. Joan was at the Prairie Ink Restaurant in McNally Robinson in Winnipeg last November to launch her latest book, *The God*

Who Loves Me. While Joan's previous book, *Discovering the Bright Warrior*, was a book about poverty and about the possibility of living joyfully in a broken world, *The God Who Loves Me* takes us to a deeper level of the spiritual journey. Seeking spiritual wisdom, she moves beyond the quest for social justice to the quest for God, discovering a God of unconditional love, and deep joy. Joan has received the University of Manitoba Faculty of Social Work's Quest for Excellence Award for Advocacy and the Winnipeg Labour Council's Certificate of Solidarity. Joan was a founding member of the Canadian Association of the Non-Employed and served as the Chairperson of CANE from 1993 to 2000. She has served on the Board of Directors of the National Anti-Poverty Organization, 10 Days for Global Justice, Urban Core Support Network, Basic Income Canada and the Manitoba Student Christian Movement. She has done educational workshops for Kairos, a Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiative in numerous congregations and church organizations.

KENNEDY, CHRISTOPHER (Collegiate 62, BA 67) has self-published a book titled *God-God-God-Nothing But God* which are 366 sonnets based on the Psalms and some on the Book of Job. It is a Daily Devotional which has one sonnet for each day of the year including the 366th day of the Leap Year! Chris was Associate Registrar at UWinnipeg from 1967-1973 at which time he left to be the Registrar at Brandon University from 1973 to 1987. Christopher is very thankful to United College "for giving an old guy the chance for starting his education at the age of 28—that was very old then for an entering mature student!"

O'BRIEN (PENNER), GISELA (BA 65) following up on her direction of *A Man For All Seasons* by Robert Bolt, Gisela directed *The Stillborn Lover* by Timothy Findley for the Theatre Arts Guild which ran from April 24–May 10, 2014. The Theatre Arts Guild in Halifax, NS is Canada's oldest continually operating community theatre.

WEISS, LORNE (Collegiate 65, BA 69) was awarded the CMHC/MREA Distinguished Realtor Award for 2012 at the Manitoba Real Estate Association annual general meeting. He was also elected as the Manitoba regional representative to the Canadian Real Estate Association board of directors for a two-year term.

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BATES, BRIAN (BA 73) has come full circle and is now back in Dryden, ON after retiring as a pro hockey scout with the Columbus Blue Jackets of the NHL. Brian lived in Minneapolis, MN for the last 16 years.

KURYK, JEFFREY (BA Hons 76) has retired as a psychologist in Victoria, BC. He is currently updating his self-improvement app "iAwoke" available in the iTunes app store.

MCVICAR, BRIAN (BA 73) retired on Jan 27, 2012 as the jail superintendent boss of the Brandon Correctional Centre after 25 years of service.



MILORD, CHRISTIAN (BA 77) is a USCG veteran. Having taught English to corporate personnel in Japan, Christian has been teaching secondary education in the Anaheim Union H.S. District (AUHSD). He has also published numerous articles in major media outlets.

PETRYNKO, BRIAN (BA 79) is the Chief Marketing Officer at Carpathia Credit Union Limited here in Winnipeg.

SAMMONS, JAMES (BA Hons 70) is a history teacher with College Lycee de Ferney Voltaire in Ferney Voltaire, France. He had been a history teacher with the ALA-ELP association, also in Ferney Voltaire, France.

SCHULZ, TANYA (B.Ed. 79) is a Resource/Special Education Teacher with the Seine River School Division (Parc La Salle School).



THORNTON, DENIS (BA 71) is a Winnipeg playwright and a current member of the Alumni Council. Two of Thornton's plays will be performed by the *Marketplace Players at this year's Gimli Summer Theatre Program taking place at the A-Spire Theatre (76 2ND Street, Gimli, MB). On **July 4, 5 & 6**, "*Live at the Studio*"—featuring music, comedy & drama. On **Aug 15, 16 & 17**, "*Cruising in September*"—a one act comedy. **Show Times:** 8 pm—Friday & Saturday. 2:30 pm—Sunday. Tickets \$15.00 **Reservations:** 204.642.8785

*Denis co-directs the Marketplace Players with **Brett Buckingham (Collegiate '65, BA '69)**.

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ALLARD, KEN (BA 80) works for Public Works and Government Services Canada (Government of Canada) as a Supply Specialist. He also serves on the Manitoba Conservatory of Music and Arts (MCMA) Board of Directors and is a Program Committee Chair Member for Canadian Power and Sail (CPS), Winnipeg Squadron.

COTTICK, DR. CHRISTOPHER (B.SC. 86) is the Section Head of Adult Dentistry at the Health Sciences Centre, employed by the University of Manitoba's Faculty of Dentistry. Chris also works at a dental clinic at the Health Sciences Centre specializing in treating special needs dental patients who are medically, mentally or physically challenged.

FRIESEN, JULIE-ANNE (BA 84)

works for the City of New York, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene as their Deputy Commissioner and is excited to be working in the field of public health in the largest and most proactive health department in the U.S. Although she moved here for grad school 19 years ago and is now a dual citizen, she makes sure her Manhattan-born children and her come to Manitoba to visit as often as possible. Winnipeg will always be home to Julie-Anne. She would love to meet other UWinnipeg alumni in the NYC area. Anyone interested in taking up Julie-Anne's offer can do so by contacting Alumni Affairs at: alumni@uwinnipeg.ca

**GESSER, ABRAHAM (AVI) (Collegiate 88)**

is a partner in New York law firm Davis Polk's Litigation Department. He represents clients in a wide range of white collar criminal defense matters and investigations as well as complex commercial litigation. From 2010 to 2012, Mr. Gesser was the Counsel to the Chief of the Justice Department, Criminal Division's Fraud Section, which oversaw more than 100 federal prosecutors working on Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, securities, health care, and other fraud investigations and cases. From early 2011 through August 2013, Mr. Gesser was the Deputy Director of the Justice Department, Criminal Division's Deepwater Horizon Task Force, and was responsible for its operations, which included 12 prosecutors and dozens of agents. He was also jointly responsible for investigating, prosecuting and securing guilty pleas from BP, Transocean and Halliburton for their conduct in connection with the Macondo oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, the largest criminal resolution in U.S. history. Mr. Gesser was also part of the team that prosecuted individuals for obstruction and manslaughter relating to the disaster.

LEVEN, ELLIOT (BA 82) was appointed Vice Chair of the Manitoba Human Rights Commission in January 2014.

O'MALLEY, MICHAEL (BA 80) is the owner of La Parfumerie, one of the few perfume shops anywhere that creates custom-made, all-natural fragrances. Michael lives and works out of a house in the Wolseley area of Winnipeg. La Parfumerie's website is: nothingperfume.com

PAN, CHE FUN (ERIC) (Collegiate 86) is an Assistant Vice-President for Keystone Foods (a member of Marfrig Group) in Hong Kong. Eric is enjoying the best time of his life and fondly remembers his high school days. Playing in an inter-department basketball league these two months as an old veteran, he remembers the good times being a Wesmen player reaching a provincial game. He misses all of the team members and coaches.

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BAILEY, ROGER (Collegiate 84, B.Sc. 96) is a registered professional engineer. After UWinnipeg, Roger attended Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University and obtained B.Sc. and MS degrees in Civil Engineering. Roger went on to work in Florida and Arizona and is currently the General Manager/CEO of Central Contra Costa Sanitary District in northern California in the Bay Area.

DASH, MICHELLE (BA 4-yr 91) is a Medical Transcriptionist with CancerCare Manitoba. She is a current graduate student in the Humanities from California State University, Dominguez Hills. Michelle is a Registered Nurse.

DUBOIS, MELANIE (B.Sc. 4-yr 95) is a Senior Riparian and Biodiversity Specialist with Agriculture AgriFood Canada in their Science and Technology Branch. Prior to that, she was at Manitoba Forage Council doing Agriculture Pest Research.



FENNELL, REV. ROBERT (BA 91) recently edited *Intercultural Visions: Called to be the Church*. Each chapter of this multi-author volume explores a line of The United Church of Canada's *A New Creed* and its significance in the United Church's quest to become an intercultural church.



HEADON, FRED (BA 92) is President of the Canadian Bar Association for 2013-14. Mr. Headon is Assistant General Counsel, Labour and Employment Law, at Air Canada. He is the first in-house counsel to serve as president of the association.

HELTON (ROBERTS), TANYA (BA 95) was appointed as the Dean of Instruction at Northwest Community College in Terrace, BC in August 2013.

HENDERSON, MATTHEW (BA 98) is a teacher at St. John's-Ravenscourt School and received a 2013 Governor General's History Award for Excellence in Teaching.

HURLEY, DANIEL (BA 93) is the Executive Director of University Relations at Vancouver Island University based in Nanaimo, BC. He lives with his spouse, Kim Martin, and their son, Liam, on Gabriola Island, BC.



JACKSON, KRISTA (Collegiate 90) is an artistic director and co-founder of Winnipeg's zone41 theatre troupe. She won the second annual Gina Wilkinson Prize in March 2013. The award honoured a female theatre artist who transitioned from one theatre discipline (acting, stage managing, playwrighting, administration, etc.) to directing. The former actress began her career appearing in Manitoba Theatre Centre's 1986 production of *Brighton Beach Memoirs*. Krista attended Ryerson Theatre School and has since acted in Shakespeare, Ibsen, Synge, Aeschylus, Moliere, Coward, Brecht as well as in several new Canadian plays. As co-artistic director of Coping Stone Theatre, she co-produced and acted in the Toronto premiere of Connie Gault's *Sky* at Tarragon Extra Space, for which Cecile Belec won a Dora Award for outstanding set design. Krista was part of the Neil Munro Intern Directors Project at the Shaw Festival in 2012 and assisted on such productions as *Misalliance*, *His Girl Friday* and *Hedda Gabler*.



JOHANSSON, ELIZABETH (Collegiate 91, BA Hons 97) is now a Research Accounting Assistant in Family Medicine at the University of Alberta. Elizabeth, a well-known director and actor within the Edmonton theatre community, moved to Alberta over a decade ago and worked for seven plus years at the Alberta Computers for Schools, a registered charity which refurbishes computers and distributes them to schools and non-profits across the province, while she was pursuing a professional accounting designation.

KATYAL, VIPUL (B.Sc. 4-yr 98)

is the President of My Vision Express (Insight Software, LLC) in Fort Lauderdale, FL specializing in Eyecare Practice Management Software and Electronic Medical Records. Since 2004, My Vision Express has served the needs of optical retailers, optometrists and ophthalmologists. My Vision Express Electronic Health Records and Practice Management System is used in four different languages by over 12,000 eye care professionals around the world. Insight Software, LLC was formed to meet the specific demands of eye care business management, designing from the ground up an eye care industry specific software. Insight Software, LLC, has ranked in the Inc. 5000 fastest growing private companies in the US for the past two years.

MCMAHON, VICTORIA (B.Ed. 94, BA Hons 05) is the Department Head of English at Grant Park High School in the Winnipeg School Division.

NEUFELD, DR. MATTHEW (BA Hons 95, MA 02) had his monograph, *The Civil Wars After 1960, Public Remembering in Late Stuart England* published in May 2013.

POKRANT, HARTLEY (B.Sc. 97)

recently retired from the provincial government as the Director of Information Technology after 40 years with Manitoba Conservation.

**SHARMA (KATYAL), TIMMY (B.Ed. 94)**

was both humbled and honoured to receive a Queen's Diamond Jubilee medal from the Governor General on February 6, 2013. A teacher at Gordon Bell High School, Timmy was honoured for working with teenage parents who want to get an education, as well as for her volunteer work with breast cancer, juvenile diabetes and multiple sclerosis organizations. "I just love being out there," she said. "I think every Winnipegger would say the same thing: volunteering in itself is so rewarding."

SWAINSON, BRIAN (B.Sc. 4-yr 93)

went from UWinnipeg to the University of Waterloo and earned his Master's in Mathematics. He then went on to achieve his designation as a Certified General Accountant. Having worked in the public, non-profit, and private sectors, with focus on healthcare and long-term care in recent years, he had been the Director of Finance at Saint Luke's Place for 2 years until being appointed their Chief Executive Officer, effective October 1, 2013. Saint Luke's Place is a charitable, not-for-profit and accredited long-term care facility located in Cambridge, Ontario, also offering retirement home assisted living and independent living apartments. He lives with his partner in Paris, Ontario.

WELFLEY, MICHAEL (BA 93) is in his 27th year as an employee at the Manitoba Youth Centre.

**WOODWARD, VANCE (Collegiate 92, B.Sc. 95)**

went on to earn a JD from Osgoode Hall Law School of York University in Toronto and an MBA in Economics from Schulich School of Business of York University. After completing his education, Vance clerked at the Federal Court of Appeal and then worked at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison in New York City. In his spare time, he jogs, does Crossfit, travels, enjoys wine, writes on matters involving technology and the law and otherwise enjoys life.

**ZAKHILWAL, DR. HAZRAT (OMAR)**

(BA Hons 94) has been the Finance Minister of Afghanistan since 2009 and the Chief Economic Advisor to the President since July 2008. After graduation from UWinnipeg, Omar attained his MA from Queen's University and then his PhD from Carleton University.

700**AZAD, MEGHAN (B.Sc. Hons. 04)**

was announced as a recipient of the 2013 CIHR Banting Fellowship, a prestigious funding opportunity worth \$140,000 over a two-year period. The funding will allow her to continue her research into the impact of children's environments on the bacteria living in their digestive tracts (gut microbiota), and the development of allergies later in life. Azad is a postdoctoral fellow in the University of Alberta's Department of Pediatrics in the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry. Azad was also valedictorian and the recipient of the Chancellor's Gold Medal at UWinnipeg in 2004.

BAKX, KYLE (BA 4-yr 07)

is a journalist for CBC Calgary.

CHARTRAND, MEGAN (BA 08, B.Ed. 09)

is working as a teacher in the Kelsey School Division in The Pas, MB.

ELIAS-GAGNON (ELIAS-LOPEZ), WENDY

(BA 06) is a Liaison Specialist with the Government of Manitoba.

GUENTHER, BRUCE (BA 4-yr 05)

is the Director of Disaster Response at the Mennonite Central Committee here in Winnipeg.



HESSE, PAUL (BA Hons 02) joined the firm partnership of Pitblado Law this past January. Paul has been with Pitblado Law for over three years practicing immigration and residency law. Paul is fluently bilingual and holds law degrees in each of Canada's major legal traditions (English Canada's common law and Quebec's civil law systems) from McGill University. Paul was admitted to both the Law Society of Manitoba and Upper Canada in 2006.

HUGHES, PAUL (TOBY) (BA 09)

is a performer based in Winnipeg. As an actor, he has appeared on stage all over Winnipeg, including roles with MTC, MTYP, PTE and most recently played the role of Titular King in *Henry V* with Shakespeare in the Ruins in 2012. He has played villains in two episodes of the hit comedy/horror TV series *Todd and the Book of Pure Evil* and regularly performs with improv troupes. Toby is also a founding member of the DnD Improv Show cast.



JOHNSTON, ADAM (BA 11) has an eventual goal of being a clean tech policy analyst down the road while he sharpens his skills as a renewable energy writer. Adam is currently working on a book on clean tech and how to relate it to a broader audience. You can follow him on Twitter [@adamjohnstonwpg](https://twitter.com/adamjohnstonwpg) or atadammjohnston.wordpress.com.

JURCZAK, JAMIE (BA 00) is a lawyer with Taylor McCaffrey in Winnipeg. She is also the Chair of Manitoba Chambers of Commerce Board of Directors for 2013-2014 and co-owner of Maples Academy of Dance.

KING, MICHELLE (BA 05) is the senior production coordinator with Proper Television. She has worked with IATSE, DGC, ACTRA, The Weinstein Company, Entertainment One Ltd., Insight Production Company Ltd., Cinefix Productions Inc., and Proper Television Inc. including shows such as MasterChef Canada, Undercover Boss Canada, Never Ever Do This At Home, Canadian Pickers, and Canadian Idol to name a few. "Without the guidance and work ethic my professors instilled in me at UWinnipeg, I would not be a successful member of the television industry in Toronto, says King."

L'ARRIVEE, ROBERT (BA Hons 04) has enrolled in the PhD program in the Department of Political to Current Science at the University of Notre Dame. He hopes to graduate in May 2015. In May 2007, Robert graduated from the University of Notre Dame with an MA in Early Christian Studies. Robert has received numerous awards, scholarships and grants during his time as a student while also working as a teacher assistant at both UWinnipeg and NDU (2001-present).

LIPNOWSKI, DAVID (Collegiate 04) is a Winnipeg based commercial photographer available for hire for: portraits, corporate & personal events, photo booths, headshots, family portraits, and more.

MARR, STEPHEN (BA 4-yr 07) works at Great-West Life as an Assistant Manager, Derivatives.

MAXWELL, ANDREA (B. Ed. 01) is a teacher at Centennial School, Sunrise School Division. She received Manitoba's 2013-14 Celebration of Excellence in Teaching awards for teaching excellence—early years.

MCVICAR, GARETH (BA Hons 04) is the Manager of the Leaderships Program at the University of Calgary in their Leadership and Student Engagement Office.

NIKKEL, DONALD (B.Ed. 07, BA 07) is a teacher at Lunder School, Lakeshore School Division. She received Manitoba's 2013-14 Celebration of Excellence in Teaching awards for teaching excellence—senior years.



REID, CLAIRE P. (BA Hons 03) is the new director of UWinnipeg's Master's in Development Practice (MDP). Reid previously worked as a human rights consultant for a Peruvian non-governmental organization developing regional anti-discrimination programming and the International Criminal Court in The Hague, Netherlands, where she conducted investigative research for the Office of the

Prosecutor. Reid has published on such subjects as discrimination in Peru, International Refugee Law, housing discrimination in Toronto and the role of Diaspora groups in influencing Canada's foreign policy. She most recently was the National Program Manager of the Building Citizenship program at the Institute for Canadian Citizenship, where she fostered a national network of over 500 volunteers who host community-based citizenship ceremonies and roundtable discussions on the meaning of inclusive citizenship. Reid also has a Masters of Arts in International Human Rights Law (University for Peace, Costa Rica).



SYVIXAY, JASON (BA 09, B.Sc. 09) is the recipient of the 2014 Manitoba Communicator of the Year Award awarded by The Manitoba Chapter of the Canadian Public Relations Society (CPRS). Jason is the Managing Director of the Downtown Winnipeg BIZ. Jason led the creation of the BIZ's CEO Sleepout event/campaign and the successful negotiation with Canada Post in turning the BIZ's Canada Day Living Flag photo-op into an official stamp. He served as UWSA President from 2009-2011.

THOMAS, JASON (BA 06) is a Thompson Researcher with the Treaty and Aboriginal Rights Research in Thompson, MB.



VERIN-TREUSCH, KRISTEN (BA Hons 02, MA 04) is the owner/operator of Muddy Water Tours which she has operated since 2002. She began the business after returning from a trip to Scotland, where historical tours were popular and she noticed Winnipeg had nothing of the kind. She conducts walking tours of some of Winnipeg's

most interesting areas, offering "a wide range of tourism experiences, from ghost-hunting to traditional historical walking tours with humour and flare." Kristen, who spent 19 years working in child care prior to opening Muddy Water Tours, will wear costumes and take on fictional and historical personas to bring stories to life. She is also the founder of the Friends of the Vaughan Street Jail Inc., and won the 2008 Manitoba Tourism Partnership Award.

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AUSTMAN, MATTHEW (BA Hons 12) is the Managing Editor at Biped Magazine.



BENSON-PODOLCHUK, SHERRY (BA 12) has written 2 books, *Women Not Wanted* and *Lake Agassiz Murders* sherrybensonpodolchuk.com

COWLEY, DIANA (BA 12) was one of two recipients of The University of Winnipeg's \$5,000 Truth and Reconciliation scholarships given out in 2013. The scholarships recognize the work of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and honour students who are residential school survivors or descendants of residential school survivors.

DICKSON, ROCHELLE (B.Sc. 11) is a Research Assistant for Research and Program Development with Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation.



GRAYSON, PHILLIP (B.Sc. Hons 11, M.Sc. 13) was recently accepted to Harvard University and awarded a Harvard Graduate Fellowship (a full grant) to pursue his Doctor of Philosophy (PhD). Grayson earned his Bachelor's

of Science Honours (Biology) in 2011 from UWinnipeg, earning the Gold Medal. As a graduate student Grayson earned a Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada Alexander Graham Bell Canada Graduate Scholarship. He is already the lead author of two publications in the scientific journals *Ethology* and *The International Journal of Evolutionary Biology*.

KOMADOWSKI, PATRICIA (BA 13, B.Ed. 13) is in her first year of teaching. She is currently living in Dhaka, Bangladesh and teaching kindergarten in a private Canadian accredited school, Canadian Trillium School.

LOYD, CONOR (BA 4-yr 11) was recently awarded the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal. Conor was recognized for his work to educate Canada's youth on the importance of the Battle of Vimy Ridge and for his work to organize and facilitate overseas battlefield tours. This is something he has been doing since 2007 when he attended the 90th anniversary of Vimy Ridge and again in 2012 for the 95th.

SINCLAIR, DELMER (BA 13) is working for the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs as a Local Research Assistant representing Fisher River Cree Nation. He is also working as a liaison for CIER (Centre for Indigenous Environment Resources). His duties there require that he survey hunters' experiences hunting game animals for food and ideas about possible sources of food of lead in food. The feedback will then help CIER develop a Public Health message video that is useful and culturally appropriate for a First Nations hunter, to be distributed by Health Canada.

TOVPA, IRYNA (BA 10) is a managing partner of a new Liberty Tax franchise that opened on Feb. 1, 2012 at 194 Osborne Street. Iryna is a certified tax preparer.

WOODWARD, KAYLEE (B.Sc. 4-yr 11) is an Athletic Therapist at Healthview Therapy Center in Winnipeg.

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REUNIONS



1973

40-YEAR REUNION**Class of 1973**

Back Row (L-R): Karl Godar, Doug Ross, Keith Sinclair, Trevor Axworthy, Bill Blaikie, Dan Furlan.

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1963

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Missing: Joyce (Rutledge) Dixon and Adeline (Derback) Korengel

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IN MEMORIAM

Compiled by Steve Pataki

The University of Winnipeg community offers its 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 is proud to place a bookplate in a select volume in the University Library in memory of each alumnus.

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BELL, (WEBB) FLORENCE (Collegiate 38)
January 19, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

CARR, (BINGEMAN) ELIZABETH (BA 36)
February 20, 2013 in Toronto, ON

DUFF, JAMES (Collegiate 39)
December 1, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

GUSTAFSON, DAVID (Collegiate 32)
February 28, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

KRONSON, (LUDWIG) JESSIE (BA 33)
August 11, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

MIDDLETON (SMILEY), NANCY (BA 38)
December 6, 2010 in Victoria, BC

SMITH, ERNEST (Collegiate 33)
March 23, 2012 in Winnipeg, MB

STEWART, (CRUISE) OLIVE (Collegiate 34)
Feb 5, 2013 in Deloraine, MB

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ATKIN, (RITCHIE) MARGARET
February 8, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

CAMPBELL, A. LORNE (BA 41)
January 15, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

CONNER (REX), ISOBEL (BA 48)
June 7, 2013 in Morden, MB

CRAIG, JOHN ROBERT (BA 48)
June 24, 2012 in Parry Sound, ON

DEATH (WALL), EILEEN (Collegiate 41)
March 10, 2013 in Orillia, ON

EAGER, ROBERT (Collegiate 40)
March 22, 2013 in N. Vancouver, BC

EDWARDS, (DUNN) NORA (BA 47)
December 12, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

FEWSTER, WENDAL (Collegiate 47)
December 5, 2013 in Steinbach, MB

FISHMAN, ARTHUR (Collegiate 44, BA 49)
February 9, 2013 in Nanaimo, BC

GOMPFF, STANLEY (BA 48)
August 17, 2009 in Brampton, ON

GROSE, DAVID (BA 48)
April 1, 2013 in Halifax, NS

JESSIMAN, DUNCAN JAMES (Collegiate 40, BA 59, LLD 76) April 19, 2006 in Vancouver, BC

KALLOS, PETER (BA 49, BED 56)
March 3, 2012 in Winnipeg, MB

KOSASKY, HAROLD (BA 48)
July 21, 2011 in Potomac, MD

KUSHNIER, (STELMACH) ANNE (Collegiate 43) July 1, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

MARKS, HELENE (Collegiate 46)
March 31, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

MUTCH, ROBERT BRUCE (BA 48)
April 5, 2013 in Toronto, ON

PILE, WALLACE (Collegiate 40)
March 26, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

PRANG, DR. MARGARET (BA 45, LLD 78)
January 12, 2013 in Vancouver, BC

QUINTON, PAUL (Collegiate 43)
August 13, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

RUSSELL, JOHN STUART (Collegiate 43, BA 46) February 7, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

WHITE, DR. PETER GORDON (Collegiate 40, BA 43, T 46, BD 50, HDD 64, M.DIV 78)
March 12, 2013 in Toronto, ON

WYSPINSKI, JOSEPH (Collegiate 49)
March 15, 2013 in Selkirk, MB

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ALLENBY, JOHN (Collegiate 57)
November 18, 2009 in Winnipeg, MB

ALEXANDER, GERALD (Collegiate 47, BA 50) October 17, 2013 in Edmonton, AB

ANDERSON, JEFFREY W. L. (BA 50)
March 18, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

ANDRUSIAK, NICK (Collegiate 58)
July 9, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

BESKO, TED (Collegiate 54)
April 20, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

CLARK, DOUGLAS (Collegiate 55, BA 72)
March 8, 2013 in Saskatoon, SK

DICK, R. ALAN (Collegiate 54)
September 14, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

DE JERSEY, HAROLD (Collegiate 47, BA 50)
October 11, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

GOODMAN, THE HON. JUSTICE GIL (BA 56)
October 29, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

GUNDERSON, DERRALL (Collegiate 52)
February 25, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

GUTNICK, NELSON (BA 50)
March 4, 2014 in Calgary, AB

HURST, LESLIE (Collegiate 58)
March 4, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

JARVIS, REV. F. EDGAR (BA 52, T 55, BD 62)
November 7, 2011 in Oliver, BC

KAUFMAN, COLEMAN (Collegiate 50)
January 30, 2010 in Winnipeg, MB

MCNEILL (HALLIDAY), JEAN (BA 50)
December 18, 2012 in Brampton, ON

MORROW, TERENCE (Collegiate 57)
January 21, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

OVERGAARD, DAGG (BA 53)
November 13, 2013 in N. Vancouver, BC

PENWARDEN (MACDONALD), IRIS (BA 53)
June 5, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

PURDY, (CROFT) GEORGIA (BA 59)
January 5, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

READ, (MACKENZIE) AUDREY (Collegiate 55)
January 14, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

SCOTT, (KETTNER) SYLVIA (Collegiate 55)
November 14, 2013 in Palm Desert, CA

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BARRON, IAN (Collegiate 64, BA 70)
June 9, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

BULLOCH, NEILSON (Collegiate 61)
May 12, 2013 in Stouffville, ON

FINNBOGASON (MUNSIE), MARSHA (BA 64)
August 21, 2012 in Surrey, BC

FRIESEN, SYLVIA (Collegiate 61, BA 65)
January 24, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

GORBER, RONALD (Collegiate 63, BA 69)
July 17, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

HARTLEY, GRACE (BA 69)
April 6, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

KEATING, REV. ARVON (BA 62, BTH 65, M.DIV 01) March 17, 2013 in Nanaimo, BC

KEMP, JOHN D. (BA 67)
September 22, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

LANGDON, WILLIAM (Collegiate 66)
August 14, 2012 in Winnipeg, MB

LEVIN, ESTHER (Collegiate 66)
January 13, 2013 in Toronto, ON

LUCY, REV. ART (BA 60, T 63, M.DIV 01)
July 4, 2012 in Surrey, BC

OWENS, THOMPSON (BA 68)
March 24, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

PEAKE, (BORLAND) JUDY (BA 62)
April 5, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

TERNETTE, NICK (BA 67)
March 4, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

TOMASSON, DAVID (BA 88)
February 14, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

WHITTEN, OSWALD (BA 60, BED 63)
January 28, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

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ADLARD, ROBERT (BA 72)
June 29, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

BERGEN, JOHN (BSC 71)
February 21, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

BINGHAM, ROY (BSC 73)
May 1, 2013 in Lockport, MB

BROWNE, WILLIAM (BA 77)
December 2, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

COTT, ANN (BA 74)
August 23, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

DELAMERE, DONALD (BSC 72)
August 2, 2013 in Abbotsford, BC

GILLETA, RICHARD CLARENCE (BA 78)
May 28, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

HAMBLETON, SAVILLE (BA 71)
April 20, 2013 in Sidney, BC

HOLLAND, GAIL (BA 76)

January 3, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

KENNEDY, EMILE (BA 72)

September 23, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

KLIM, SOPHIE (BA 78)

April 12, 2014 in Eriksdale, MB

KUTA, GERALD (BSC 73)

April 3, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

KWASNIOWSKI, LOUIE (BSC 73)

November 10, 2013 in Morris, MB

LEE-RESTALL, GIGI (BA 79)

April 1, 2012 in Winnipeg, MB

MACLACHLAN, PATRICIA (BA 76)

February 23, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

MCFADYEN, KIRBY (BAH 76)

June 10, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

MCKINNON, DONALD (Collegiate 72)

January 13, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

MONNIN, ALFRED OC, OM (LLD 72)

November 29, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

NELSON, RONALD (BA 79)

July 5, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

OLAFSON, DOROTHEA (BED 76)

April 8, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

PYBUS, VERA (BAH 77)

January 8, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

RICHARDSON, ROYDEN (Collegiate 72)

May 4, 2013 in Schomberg, ON

SOLAR, ELSIE (BA 74)

February 1, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

SPRAGUE, JOHN (Collegiate 74)

September 7, 2012 in Vancouver, BC

SURBEY, VINCENT (BA 74)

December 5, 2012 in Winnipeg, MB

WALLS, CRAIG (BA 73, BED 81)

March 31, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

/80**ALARDS, GARY (BED 83)**

February 17, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

ANDERSON, (SHELFONTUK) JOAN (BA 83)

Spring 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

BAIRD, DR. VAUGHAN (LLD 87[honoris causa]) August 17, 2013
in Ste. Agathe, MB**CHMIELOWICZ, WANDA (BA 83)**

January 23, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

ELLIOT, RITA (BA 82)

February 27, 2013 in Morris, MB

FREEDMAN, LEONA (BA 89)

March 10, 2011 in Winnipeg, MB

GREEN, GEOFFREY (BA 89)

May 12, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

HABERMEHL, REV. DIRK (MST 88)

March 22, 2013 in Cobourg, ON

HARDER, MAISE (BED 82)

January 24, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

HOCHHEIM, DR. KLAUS (BAH 82)

September 10, 2013 in Nepean, ON

PEIKOFF, HART (BA 85)

February 2, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

PFAIFFER, MICHAEL (BA 84)

July 19, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

POOLE, JAMES (BA 82)

March 7, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

ROELAND, LANA (Collegiate 89)

April 18, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

SMITH, ALLAN DWIGHT (BA 80)

April 19, 2013 in Selkirk, MB

WRIGHT, CAROL (BA 80)

September 28, 2013 in Gladstone, MB

/90**BRELAND, (TELKE) SHERI LEE (BA 98)**

April 2, 2011 in Selkirk, MB

COMACK, GARY (BA 92)

July 20, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

DAME, THOMAS (BSC 90)

September 13, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

HARRIS, (JODY) MARY JOSEPHINE

March 4, 2012 in Winnipeg, MB

LABELLE-RISKE, MICHELLE (BA 97)

October 19, 2012 in Steinbach, MB

NAISMITH, NANCY (BA 94)

November 9, 2012 in Calgary, AB

PENNER, DR. HAROLD (M.DIV 99)

March 10, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

PREFONTAINE, (COURTNEY) DIANE (BA 97)

March 9, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

SMIRL, LISA (Collegiate 93)

February 21, 2013 in Leeds, UK

VANDERSTOEL, DR. JOHN (FEL 91)

April 19, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

/00**CONCI, LEIGH (BSCH 04)**

February 12, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

HARVARD, SASHA (BA 01)

March 2, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

MCLEOD, CATHERINE ANNE (BED 07,BA 07) September 15, 2013 in
Winnipeg, MB**VAN WART, SEAN (BA 01)**

July 2, 2012 in Winnipeg, MB

/10**CARRIER, LISA (BED 10)**February 15, 2013 in Blacks
Harbour, NB**COURCHENE, RUSS (BA 10)**

March 29, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB

EDWARDS, NATALIE (BA 13)

February 19, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

HAYES, JOEL (BA 12, BED 12)

September 12, 2013 in Winnipeg, MB

KINEW, DR. TOBASONAKWUT (LLD 11)

December 23, 2012 in Winnipeg, MB

FACULTY & STAFF**ANDERSON, JOAN (BA 83)**

Spring 2013 in Winnipeg

DERKSEN, PETER

September 21, 2013

DUFF, JAMES (Collegiate 39, FEL 84)

December 1, 2013

HANSEN, KRISTINE

February 13, 2014 in Winnipeg

KENYON, WILLIAM

March 9, 2013 in Winnipeg

LASKOWSKI, STEPHAN

February 21, 2013

MACDONALD, RAYMOND

April 14, 2014 in Winnipeg

MIKULIK, RAYMOND

January 28, 2014 in Winnipeg

PHILIPP, KLAUS (BSC 65)

February 27, 2014 in Winnipeg

RIDDELL, RONALD (Collegiate 42, FEL 88)

June 12, 2013 in Kenora, Ontario

SWAYZE, WALTER (FEL 88)

January 28, 2014



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