

# The University of Winnipeg Foundation



annual report to donors 2011 - 2012



## MESSAGE FROM FOUNDATION PRESIDENT AND CEO

Dear Donors and Friends of The University of Winnipeg,

I am pleased to present you with The University of Winnipeg Foundation's 2011-2012 Annual Report.

As you know, gifts to The University of Winnipeg through its Foundation make an incredible difference in the lives of our students and in the ability of faculty and staff to deliver the levels of excellence in education for which our University is known. Without the help of donors, alumni and friends like you, so many of the things that make the UWinnipeg experience an exceptional one would be lost.

Since returning to The University of Winnipeg and joining the Foundation team in November 2011, I have come to learn of the tremendous commitment and passion that so many alumni and friends have for this great downtown University. As a University of Winnipeg alumnus, I continue to be amazed when I hear stories from people whose lives, like mine, have been transformed by their experience at The University of Winnipeg, and now want to give back. This is the most rewarding part of my job.

Thanks to the generosity of these donors, the University's impact is felt around the world: through advanced research that creates new social and economic knowledge, graduates who become leaders in their professions and communities, and programs around the globe that serve the public good and change lives.

Continued support through new gifts and pledges to The University of Winnipeg Foundation are an investment in the present and the future. Gifts of all sizes help create and maintain unique academic programming, support scholarships and bursaries, and allow students to enjoy state-of-the-art facilities and cutting edge technology.

Under the leadership of President Axworthy, The University of Winnipeg continues to achieve new levels of excellence. We are extremely proud of our recent accomplishments and excited to develop even more dynamic learning and research opportunities.

Development efforts continue to focus on the completion of capital projects, growth of the University's student awards program and increased support for academic enhancements. The University of Winnipeg Foundation currently manages a \$39.7 million Endowment Fund, supporting over 500 student scholarships and bursaries, and is committed to accountable and meaningful donor recognition and stewardship.

Your interest in the University of Winnipeg Foundation and your understanding of the importance of private support - whether it be through a planned gift, a gift to endowment or current funds, is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your ongoing dedication and commitment.

Brian Daly  
President and CEO, BA'86 MBA'89  
The University of Winnipeg Foundation



# GREETINGS

## Dr. Lloyd Axworthy, PC, OC, OM

President and Vice-Chancellor  
United College BA'61, LLD '86



This is a transformative year at The University of Winnipeg. Our campus is expanding to better serve future generations of students with world-class facilities, while strengthening Winnipeg's downtown and inner-city neighbourhood. In the past several years we have been responsible for \$150 million in new investment in facilities in our downtown and West End neighbourhoods.

The opening of the new Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex in September 2011

marked one of the most significant moments our campus and the surrounding community has seen in the past decade. More than 2,000 students, faculty, staff and visitors now stream in and out of the state-of-the-art complex daily, studying and researching the most challenging issues we face, such as climate change.

Now we are poised to go further. We are breaking ground to construct the most important recreational and wellness facilities ever built for Winnipeg's inner city community. The new Field House, Health and Wellness Complex will add academic opportunities on campus, offer more choices for UWinnipeg students and athletes, and create a safe place for neighbourhood children to play. In July 2012 we also launched a full-fledged Faculty of Kinesiology dedicated to health and wellness research and programming.

Our deep commitment to Community Learning – that is dissolving the line between our campus and our neighbourhood – has us nurturing promising young athletes, scholars, scientists and leaders, through our innovative Opportunity Fund, which relies on private donations. It is an initiative that is getting results. More than 850 students now attend University classes because of our fast-track bursaries, and more than 100 inner city children are enrolled in the Opportunity Fund tuition credit program. Some of those youth have now graduated from high school and are attending UWinnipeg with their “earned” tuition credits.

Our goal is to remain a connected and relevant campus that is inclusive and diverse.

We could not do this without the incredible dedication and support we receive from our valued partners including government, corporate, alumni and donors like you.

On behalf of the University community, thank you.

## Dr. H. Sanford Riley, CM, LLD'09

The University of Winnipeg Foundation  
Board Chair



The University of Winnipeg Foundation is a multifaceted operation guided by a simple goal, to support The University of Winnipeg. If there is a bright side to the economic challenges we have experienced

over the past few years, it is that we have honed in on the things that are most important: the interests of our donors, and the talents and potential of University of Winnipeg faculty, staff, and students.

This year, thanks to over \$6 million in generous donor contributions, we celebrated the end of our *A World of Opportunity Capital Campaign* having raised an unprecedented \$135 million. In addition, endowed gifts received this year helped grow our Endowment Fund to \$39.7 million.

From new student supports to academic enhancements to the physical transformation of our campus, this year's Annual Report to Donors highlights many of the accomplishments you have made possible.

As a generous donor to The University of Winnipeg, you contribute to the greater good of our people and programs. For your generosity, for your belief in all that The University of Winnipeg promises and delivers, and for the good that you are doing through your giving, we thank you.

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# SUPPORTING SUCCESS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG



## Overview of 2011/2012 Fundraising Results

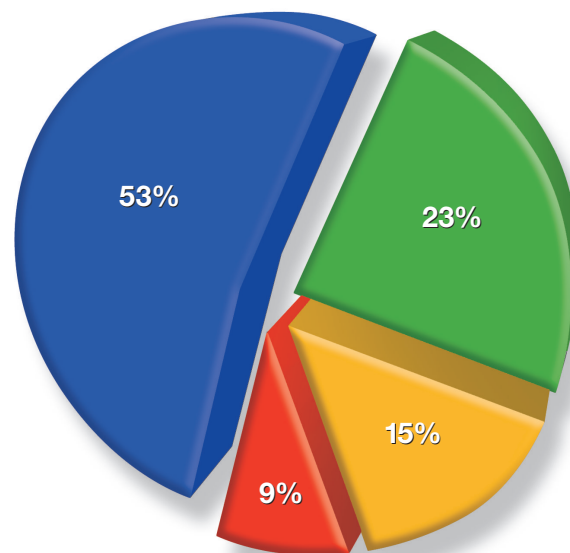
The University of Winnipeg and its Foundation are working together to transform the lives of our students by providing an exceptional learning experience based on excellence in teaching and research, support of academic, artistic and athletic pursuits, and a commitment to community learning and outreach programs.

This most recent fiscal year has proved, once again, what we at The University of Winnipeg know so well: that despite continued market instability, our success is dependent upon the financial support of those who care deeply about the mission and goals of our institution.

This past year, fundraising efforts raised more than \$6 million to support scholarships and bursaries, program enrichment and capital development.

Thanks to the continued vision and commitment of our Alumni and friends, this year marked the successful conclusion to our Capital Campaign, which raised an unprecedented \$135 million.

This extraordinary achievement would not have been possible without the overwhelming generosity of our donors, whose gifts have sparked a new and exciting chapter in campus history – enabling the University to continue its quest for excellence right in the heart of downtown Winnipeg.



- Student Awards \$3.32M
- Academic Enhancements \$1.46M
- Capital Projects \$0.97M
- Other Projects \$0.60M
- Total: \$6.35M**

# ENDOWMENT FUND PERFORMANCE... BUILDING LEGACIES

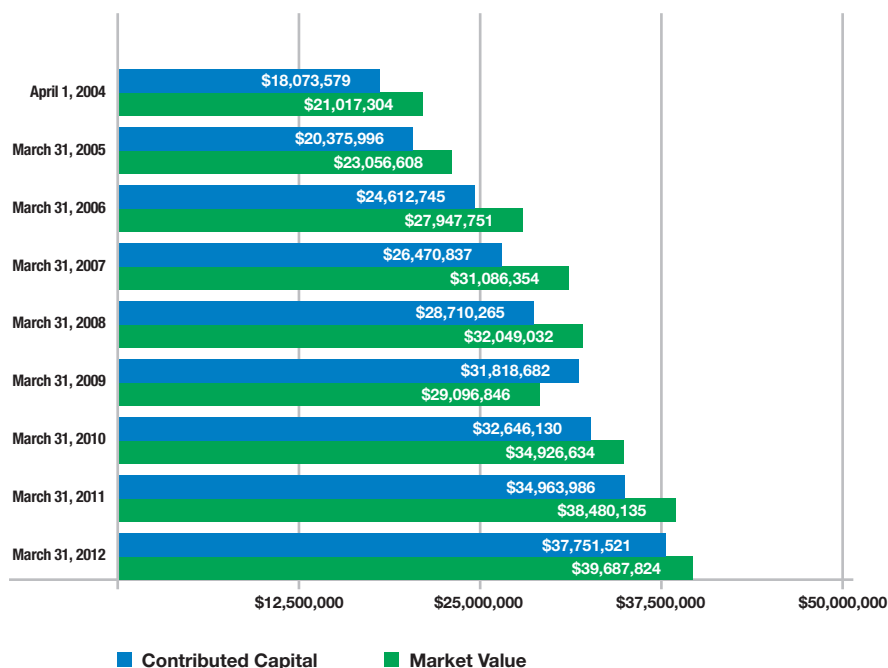
Growth of our Endowment Funds is a priority for the Foundation. We manage these funds to support the needs of students and researchers, and to fuel the endless discoveries and innovations taking place on campus. We think of the people and the possibilities as we manage the endowment fund with the utmost care and diligence that it deserves.

This following section provides information on how The University of Winnipeg Foundation (UWF) endowment is managed and invested, as well as an update on investment performance as of March 31, 2012.

## Our Strategic Intent

To substantially increase the value of charitable gifts in support of The University of Winnipeg by delivering comprehensive fundraising campaigns to include Annual, Major and Planned Gifts, together with special contributions from Government and by being responsive and accountable for investment management and growth. The Foundation is also committed to supporting the Advancement operation of the University through Stewardship and Finance activity.

Donors may designate an endowed gift to create a new fund or contribute to an existing fund. These funds are held in perpetuity by UWF and are invested with other funds that comprise the UWF endowment to promote growth over the long term and protect against inflation.



## Investing the UWF Endowment

The Foundation's investment policies call for a conservative, balanced approach utilizing cash, fixed income, and Canadian and foreign equities to prescribed limits. Equities are not to exceed 60% of the portfolio. The Foundation's investment policies are designed to provide consistent long-term growth while protecting the purchasing power of the Endowment Fund. The Foundation does not invest in speculative or high-risk investments.

## Endowment Performance

The Endowment Fund generates revenues to support many University awards, programs and projects. Its resilience and growth is important in both the short and long term. The Foundation's policy is that contributed capital is not to be encroached upon and is preserved in perpetuity. From the time the Endowment Fund was transferred to the Foundation on April 1, 2004 to March 31, 2012 the Endowment Fund has grown from \$18,073,579 to \$37,751,521 in contributed capital.

Since April 1, 2011, the Endowment Fund has benefited from \$2,787,535 in cash and payments on pledges. Of this total \$648,855 in bequests designated to endowment have been received. In addition, generous and thoughtful donors have informed the Foundation of future bequests in support of the University, totaling \$5.5 million.

The University of Winnipeg Foundation stewards more than 500 individual endowed funds that are pooled for investment purposes to allow for diversification of the total portfolio in order to lower risk and improve performance.



## GROWING AN EXTRAORDINARY RESOURCE

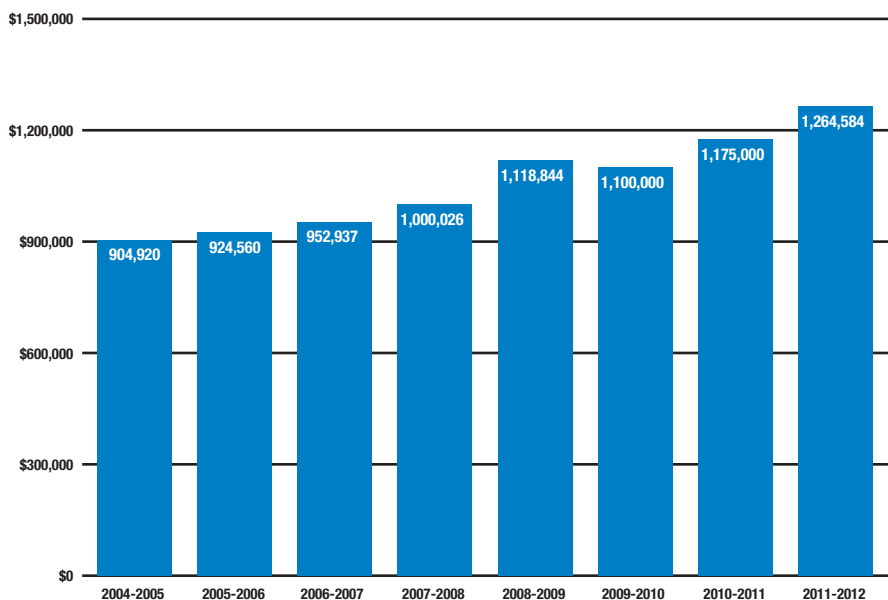
The University of Winnipeg is in a state of growth, both in physical size and enrollment. There has been a corresponding growth in programs and awards. The Foundation's Endowment Fund was established in order to ensure reliable regular funding to support these programs and awards. The Foundation does this in two ways: through its asset mix, and by way of a Reserve Fund, which serves as a hedge against fluctuations in investment earnings that may occur.

Reserve Fund (Market) \$1,936,303

### OUR COMMITMENT TO THE UNIVERSITY... SUPPORTING STUDENTS

The University of Winnipeg Foundation Endowment Portfolio outperformed the market benchmark in the last quarter of the fiscal year. This positive growth is due to the recent improvement in market conditions, combined with growth in the number of endowed funds under our stewardship (20 new funds). This combination has replenished the Endowment Fund Reserve, enabling the Foundation to provide the University with a gift of \$1.264 million for the 2012-2013 academic year.

#### ANNUAL GIFTS\* TO THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG



\* Gifts are made to The University of Winnipeg in accordance with the Terms of Reference established for each Fund.



# GIFTS TO ENDOWMENT

## Alumnus Garry Leach Makes Founding Donation to New Oral History Centre at UWinnipeg

The Oral History Centre has received a generous founding donation in the amount of \$500,000 from Garry A. Leach, graduate of The University of Winnipeg Collegiate (Class of '67) and The University of Winnipeg (Class of '70). The generous gift will underwrite the initial five-year operation of the University's Centre for Oral History, making possible the hiring of technical personnel and research support important to the Centre's long term success.



Donor Gift Agreement Signing : Dr. Lloyd Axworthy, President & Vice-Chancellor, UWinnipeg; Mr. Garry A. Leach, Founding Donor to Oral History Centre; Dr. H. Sanford Riley, Board Chair, UWinnipeg Foundation

Key contributors to this program also include Dr. Jim Burns; Mr. Richard Bonnycastle; Ms. Colleen Suche and Mr. Lawrie Pollard; Mr. Gordon Pollard and the Pollard Family Foundation, whose gifts further support the new Oral History Centre in its goal to promote oral history, develop excellence in teaching, and position itself as a national leader in research and community collaboration.

## North West Company Invests in The Centre for Rupert's Land Studies

As an expression of their ongoing commitment to higher education and to northern communities in Manitoba, The North West Company announced in May a gift of \$100,000 to The Centre for Rupert's Land Studies.

In addition to the \$100,000 gift of endowed funds, the pledge includes an additional five-year commitment of current funds to support the immediate needs of the Centre, exemplifying The North West Company's dedication to enhancing an understanding of Manitoba's rich fur-trading history and of the commercial ties created in northern communities.

In recent years, The North West Company has also provided generous and thoughtful support to The University of Winnipeg's Wii Chiwaakanak Centre (\$100,000) as well as to the Duff Roblin Scholars Fund (\$5,000), which supports students enrolled in the Masters of Aboriginal Governance and Development Practice programs.



2012 Centre for Rupert's Land Colloquium: Dr. Glenn Moulaison, Dean of Arts; Dr. Roland Bohr, Director, Centre for Rupert's Land Studies; Mr. David Lui, Director of Marketing Services, NWC; Ms Sarah Gay, Manager, Community Support & Events, NWC; Ms Jennifer Ching, Project Assistant, NWC

## Gary Doer Award Reaches \$250,000



Ambassador Gary Doer

Established in the Spring of 2011, the Gary Doer Award was named in honour of the former Premier of Manitoba and current Canadian Ambassador to the United States. It recognizes Ambassador Gary Doer's community involvement in Aboriginal issues, energy and sustainability, science and infrastructure.

Through the annual provision of student bursaries, the award fosters an accessible, inclusive and diverse student enrollment for The Master's in Development Practice Program at The University of Winnipeg.

Thanks to the generosity of a number of contributors and lead donors, including The Power Corporation of Canada, Dr. Jim Burns, The Waugh Family, The Asper Foundation, MTS Allstream, Manitoba Lotteries Corporation, Mark Chipman and The Tallman Foundation, at March 31, 2011 the fund exceeded \$250,000.

The Master's in Development Practice Program is an innovative, cross-disciplinary, two-year graduate degree program engaging with and examining the needs related to the global challenges of sustainable development. Fostering hands-on field training experience, the MDP program includes disciplines from health and management, to social and natural sciences.

The Gary Doer Award will be disbursed for the first time this fall to one deserving student and will help cover the tuition costs of the program for the full two years.



## Coppinger Family Award to Support Continuing UWinnipeg Students

"Endowments are critical to the University. The University is still young, and growth is happening. Universities can't solely exist on grants and tuition – they have to heavily rely on endowments for their scholarships and bursaries, libraries and research programs," explains Steve Coppinger.



Steve and Janet Coppinger with granddaughter Rachel Bourbonnais

Formerly The University of Winnipeg's Associate Vice-President of Finance and Administration (1987-2005), Steve Coppinger and his family have recently established an endowed scholarship in support of continuing UWinnipeg students.

Recipients of the Coppinger Family Award will exhibit academic promise, along with a commitment to community involvement and volunteerism. These qualities, Coppinger says, are key values of their family, and are also compatible with The University of Winnipeg's mandate of community engagement and academic excellence.

Steve and his wife, Janet, have remained actively involved in a large number of community organizations in Winnipeg, but they – along with their children, Christopher and Lori – have an especially strong connection to The University of Winnipeg. All graduates of UWinnipeg, the Coppingers understand and appreciate the difference that a post-secondary education makes.

Christopher (BSc '02), his wife Kendra (White) (BA, BSc '02), and Lori (BA/BEd '04) all received scholarships during their time as undergraduate students, and are now proud to support an award that will provide financial assistance for promising continuing students. For Steve (Collegiate '67; BA '71) and Janet (BA '88), the new award represents their commitment to making post-secondary education accessible for students.

As an endowed scholarship, the Coppinger Family Award will provide scholarship disbursements in perpetuity – making it a fitting family legacy.

The Coppinger family's commitment to higher education really begins, as Steve describes, with his parents. His father encouraged him to pursue an undergraduate degree and worked hard to provide Steve with the opportunity to attend the Collegiate, and later, The University of Winnipeg. The Murray C. Coppinger Memorial Bursary, established in 2005 by his mother, Mary Coppinger, similarly attests to the family's dedication to pursuing educational opportunities.

While the Murray C. Coppinger Memorial Bursary is designed to support Collegiate students with disabilities, the new Coppinger Family Award specifically focuses on continuing students in need. As Steve explains, there are numerous recruitment scholarships and bursaries available for incoming students, but few funds are available to retain promising students. This award, Steve hopes, will secure financial support for students who may not otherwise be able to complete their degrees.

## Vatrt/Watts Family Bursary: A Legacy of Encouragement

"It's so obvious to us that education is important and The University of Winnipeg is doing such a great job. I'm a graduate myself and there are benefits to going to a smaller school like UWinnipeg," says Terry Vatrt (BA '83) about the Vatrt/Watts Family Bursary founded by Terry and her husband Bob Watts.

Through the Department of English, the Vatrt/Watts Family Bursary provides support for continuing students with financial need, allowing them to follow their passions, with preference given to those who demonstrate an interest in poetry. Ms. Vatrt believes that "lovely things like literature, poetry, visual arts and dance need to be encouraged as much as possible and are too often overlooked."

This year Mr. Watt added a generous \$10,000 to the Family Bursary Fund adding to the family's past donations and matching monies received through the Province's Manitoba Scholarship and Bursary Initiative and bringing the bursary past the \$30,000 mark.

As a former English teacher at Kelvin and Grant Park High, Ms Vatrt is passionate about learning and ensuring everyone has access to higher education.

"The fact that The University of Winnipeg encourages people of all walks of life to pursue post-secondary education makes it special. It feels like a place that could make good use of the money."

Spring 2012 saw the first student to receive funding through the Vatrt/Watts Family Bursary, ensuring that one more aspiring student's life was made a little easier. Now residing in Victoria, the couple's commitment to education lives on thanks to their forward thinking gifts and legacy of learning.

## Fund Recognizes Noted Lawyer and Ethicist Naomi Z. Levine



Naomi Z. Levine

In honour and recognition of his wife, Naomi Z. Levine – a noted lawyer, ethicist, workplace dispute consultant and chartered mediator – Dr. Arthur V. Mauro established the Naomi Z. Levine Scholarship in Peace and Conflict Studies with a \$100,000 gift of endowed funds. The award, which will support students enrolled in the Master's of Peace and Conflict Studies program,

also serves as a tribute to Naomi Levine's significant contributions to human rights and social justice, and to her long-standing service to higher education programming in the disciplines of women's rights, law, harassment and mediation across Canada and here at her alma mater, The University of Winnipeg.

## PLANNED GIVING SEEDS Achievement



### Lifelong Philanthropists: Mr. John and Mrs. Grace Little

John and Grace Little were married for over 50 years, and in that time worked hard, as many did during the post-war years, to make a life for themselves. Every now and then, a soul in need of help would come across their paths, and John and Grace were always happy to help.

While they did not have the opportunity to pursue post-secondary education for themselves, John and Grace Little were passionate about providing opportunities for Aboriginal students and newcomers to Canada to enroll in higher education programs. Together, they established the John and Grace Little Opportunity Bursary and supported the Duff Roblin Scholars Fund.

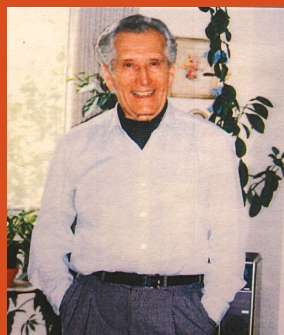
Following John's passing in 2008, Grace went on to establish the Jack Little Memorial Scholarship and the Grace Little Collegiate Bursary. This year, Grace fulfilled her dream of meeting Grand Chief Derek Nepinak, a scholar supported by the Duff Roblin Scholarship Fund and current member of the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs.

In the Spring of 2012, Grace Little, carried the vision she shared with her late husband even further, making a generous bequest to The University of Winnipeg Collegiate and its Model School. For John and Grace Little, "Education is the Key". Their Legacy to this University is a true gift of the heart.



Mrs. Grace Little with Dr. Lloyd Axworthy and Grand Chief Derek Nepinak

### Sidney Segel 1922-2009



Sidney Schulim Segel was an educator, a man with a deep love of learning and a great appreciation for people. Described as "brilliant" and "fun loving", Sidney spoke several languages, including Hebrew, German, French and English.

His early life experience shaped this gentle man in profound ways. A Holocaust survivor, Sidney was a prisoner, when many young people his age were carefree students. During the war, Sidney was an inmate of D.P. Centre 7 Deggendorf, where he was compelled to work as a mechanic under Nazi authority.

Becoming a Canadian citizen in 1955, Sidney completed his high school education in 1968 and received his Bachelor of Arts from The University of Winnipeg in 1972 at the age of 50. Sidney was very proud of his accomplishment. Acquiring his teaching certificate as well, Sidney embarked on a satisfying career teaching children.

Sports were also very important to Sidney. He loved to ski, and worked out faithfully at the "Y". When it came time to plan his Estate, Sidney's love of people, education and sports culminated in a generous bequest to The University of Winnipeg Wesmen, a profound testament to a life well lived in spite of adversity.



## Planned Gift from Faculty Member Makes History



Dr. Janis Thiessen

Dr. Janis Thiessen, a tenure-track faculty member in the History Department, understands the importance of supporting the present and future success of students at The University of Winnipeg.

As an alumna, a former Sessional Instructor, and a long-time resident of the city's west-end, Dr. Thiessen is well-connected to UWinnipeg.

Directed toward UWinnipeg's History Department, Dr. Thiessen's bequest ensures that funds are available for future programming initiatives, student scholarships, and major projects like the Oral History Centre.

While determining the future use of one's assets can be challenging, Dr. Thiessen explains that the process "helps to clarify what your values are."

For Dr. Thiessen, it is important to support charities that are local and international in scope, and that provide both "basic needs, including food and shelter, and beyond the basic needs, such as higher education."

While also an alumna of The University of Manitoba, Dr. Thiessen feels strongly compelled to support The University of Winnipeg's commitment to scholastic excellence, community engagement, and innovative programming. Moreover, as a faculty member, she believes in the importance of supporting her colleagues and in contributing to the growth of her home department.

Bequests provide a long-term source of revenue for The University of Winnipeg's student scholarships and bursaries, projects, and programs. Since the University's inception, bequests have played a crucial role in expanding our learning and teaching resources.

Naming the University in your will gives you the opportunity to make an enduring contribution to the future of UWinnipeg students, and can honour you, your family, or someone close to you long into the future.

### Other legacy donors whose generous gifts were received with gratitude in 2011/2012:

Patricia Doreen Burgess  
Clare Kobes  
Garnet Milton Kyle  
M.E. Frances Mills  
Marygold Victoria Nash  
John Whitmore Peach  
Margaret J. Robertson

If you, like the others profiled here, have a strong affinity for The University of Winnipeg and for the excellence it represents, you may also wish to include the University in your Estate Planning.

To begin the conversation, please contact:  
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# COMMUNITY LEARNING PROGRAMS

## RECEIVE TREMENDOUS SUPPORT

### CN Leading the Way to a Better Future for Indigenous Communities



(L- R) Dr. Phil Fontaine, UWinnipeg Master's in Development Practice (MDP) Advisory Circle Chair, Michael Cory, CN Senior Vice President, Western Region, Elder Tobasonakwut Kinew, David Crate, Chief of Fisher River Cree Nation, Gerri Zacharias, Acting Director, UWinnipeg Model School, Dr. Lloyd Axworthy, UWinnipeg President & Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Julie Pelletier, Director, MDP, Jennifer Rattray, UWinnipeg Executive Director, Government, Indigenous & Community Affairs

In a tremendous show of support for Aboriginal programming and open access opportunities for students, CN provided a generous gift of \$750,000 to establish the CN Master's in Development Practice Scholarship, the CN Model School Bursary, and the CN Indigenous Resource Centre located in the Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex.

These significant gifts support the development of Indigenous communities across Canada and further assist The University of Winnipeg in its work with First Nations communities through academic programming, internships and specific development projects.

### Thomas Sill Foundation Makes Lead Gift to UWinnipeg's Inner-City Sports Program

On May 20th, 2011, The Thomas Sill Foundation Inc. announced a generous donation of \$75,000 for UWinnipeg's Community Athletic Programming, which includes inner-city soccer and basketball.



"This generous donation is a direct commitment to the University's Community Athletic program," said Dr. Lloyd Axworthy UWinnipeg President and Vice-Chancellor. "Our location in the inner-city makes us natural partners for

our neighbors and the community-at-large. We believe youth involved in organized sports develop a sense of belonging and build confidence that often translates into a desire and drive to pursue a post-secondary education. Sports facilitate access for these students and help us close the graduation gap."

"Winnipeg's future depends on being able to integrate inner-city youth, regardless of background and socio-economic status into the Winnipeg community," expressed Ken Grower, Thomas Sill Foundation Governor and Vice President. "This program allows children and young adults in the core area to break away from the cycle of poverty and to dream big."

UWinnipeg has a strong commitment to broaden athletic and community programs. Currently the Community Athletics program has over 100 participants with that number expected to triple over the next two years.

### United College Grad Paul Swaity Supports Opportunity Fund

In the spring of 2012, United College graduate Mr. Paul Swaity (class of '46) made a gift of \$100,000 toward UWinnipeg's Opportunity Fund. His gift helped to establish four new bursaries, each one unique and representing Mr. Swaity's passion for education.



Mr. Paul Swaity with Model School students

As the first student of Happy Thought Elementary School in East Selkirk to graduate from University, one of the four new bursaries provides for students who have attended this same school. Two bursaries support Indigenous students with one in particular, providing for students of Shamattawa First Nation. The fourth award offers financial assistance to students entering The Collegiate.

Mr. Swaity was recognized for his generous commitment at UWinnipeg's Annual I Heart UWinnipeg Dinner on May 23, 2012.



**"Thank you for supporting students like me. Your support helps lift the financial burden which comes with attending university and allows students like me to concentrate fully on our studies."**

~Trevor Vincent, 4th Year Physics Student and Recipient of the Academic Proficiency Scholarship, supported by the Winnipeg Rh Institute

## Celebrating The Winnipeg Rh Institute's 40 Years of Philanthropy

In 1972 The University of Winnipeg received the Winnipeg Rh Institute's first donation of \$6,000. Forty years later, over \$544,000 has been generously donated by the Institute and its Foundation. Not only have donations been made every year, the amount of each donation has grown by 500%. Since 2004 their annual contribution has been \$30,000.

The Winnipeg Rh Institute's donations have always supported student scholarships, more specifically The Academic Proficiency Scholarship. These funds are awarded to all full-time and part-time students with a minimum grade point average of 3.55. Eligible students are ranked according to their grade point average and awards are offered to them, beginning with those at the top of the list, until all the money in the scholarship budget has been disbursed (or until the last student on the list has received an offer, whichever comes first).

During the Winnipeg Rh Institute's long donor history, over 1,513 deserving students have been recognized for their academic achievements. It is safe to say that The Winnipeg Rh Institute is one of The University of Winnipeg's most loyal and consistent donors to date, inspiring hundreds of students over the years to reach for their dreams. We are grateful for their ongoing and generous support.

## CIBC Commits to Increasing Access to Advanced Education

Long-time supporters of higher education at The University of Winnipeg, in August 2011, CIBC pledged \$60,000 to establish the CIBC Opportunity Fund Bursary.

The Bursary will go to work immediately, supporting Aboriginal students, young people from war-affected areas and refugee populations, and inner-city students. It will make post-secondary education a viable option for students who might not otherwise consider themselves university candidates. The bursary will be awarded to six outstanding students per year, as identified by Opportunity Fund criteria.

## COLLEGIATE DONORS MAKING A DIFFERENCE

### Collegiate Matching Funds at Work



The Collegiate Leadership Matching Fund, spearheaded by UWinnipeg Foundation Board member Dr. Jim MacDonald, provided an energetic stimulus to the \$5 Million Collegiate Campaign, especially in the final days, when donors saw their gifts escorted over the top, matched to the last penny by the \$505,000 in Matching Funds.

Corporate donors such as BMO Financial, B.A. Robinson Co. Ltd. and Century 21 – Bachman, stood side by side with individual donors, such as Grace Little, Barry Talbot, Danny Bubis, and Mark Curry, along with many others whose smaller gifts joined together to make a formidable sum. All worked together to ensure that their gifts would work twice as hard to benefit Collegiate and Model School students, leveraging every cent of matching money available.



## Staying Connected – UWinnipeg Launches Student Calling Program

The University of Winnipeg is one of Canada's leading post-secondary institutions, consistently ranked in the Top-10 in the country on an annual basis by both Maclean's magazine and The Globe and Mail newspaper. UWinnipeg is noted for academic excellence, Indigenous scholarship, environmental commitment, small class sizes and for nurturing "Leaders of Tomorrow."

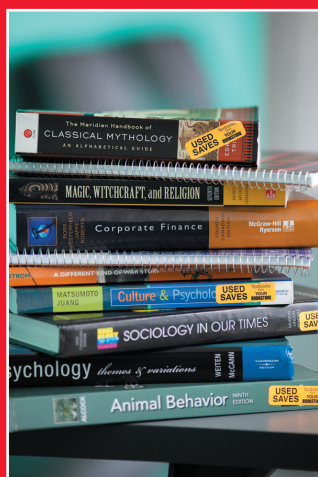
Each year gifts to the University's Annual Giving Program are directed primarily to the school's most valuable asset: our students. Alumni and donor contributions make it possible to attract outstanding students and to help them offset the cost of tuition, books and other expenses related to study at The University of Winnipeg (2011-12 Arts tuition: \$3,057 Regular; \$11,007 International).

In the coming weeks, a UWinnipeg student will be calling you to ask for your annual contribution to one of our many hard working funds. Please remember: your gift will make a difference.



### THANK YOU DONORS!

On behalf of The University of Winnipeg Foundation Board of Directors and Staff, thank you for your continued generosity.



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